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Editorial - Free Help Wanted Ads!

We at the Coconut Telegraph are always looking for ways to help and promote our advertisers.

Ever since the beginning of Covid mass hysteria occurred and the masses collected unemployment and stimulus it has been harder to find qualified employees than it was finding a roll of toilet paper. The Keys Disease hit an all-time record high. Desperate employers have had no choice but to take up the slack and continue to be overworked and stressed out. Just about the time you think you can take a break someone calls in sick and you're back at it. It's a vicious circle of hiring and training hoping that the theory of "If you throw enough crap against the wall some of it has to stick," is true.

Believe it or not I've had to bite my tongue. At a local restaurant my hot food was served without utensils, napkins, and I never did get the

coleslaw and the beer was warm. At a local chain store with 2 cashiers but only one 400 lb. guy actually working. Neither one able to speak or comprehend the English language. But thank God they showed up or the store would be closed.

One local pharmacy and the grocery store customer service had to close due to no help. It sucks royally!

So we are giving away FREE Help Wanted ads to our loyal advertisers that consistently run a 1/4 page or more. We are fitting it in our business card section where the rate is regularly \$30 a month (4 month minimum ) and now you can get it in color for an extra \$20 per month (\$50 for color). This is a monthly rate.

Yes, weekly newspapers sell classified ads too but you have to buy 4.3 to equal one of ours. Interested? Text me at 305-304-2837 and we'll call you.

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Honoring Moms and Daughters this month.  
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Why God Made Moms!

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Why did God make mothers?

1. She's the only one who knows where the scotch tape is.

2. Mostly to clean the house.

3. To help us out of there when we were getting born.

How did God make mothers?

1. He used dirt, just like for the rest of us.

2. Magic plus super powers and a lot of stirring.

3. God made my mom just the same like he made me. He just used bigger parts.

What ingredients are mothers made of?

1. God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean.

2. They had to get their start from men's bones. Then they mostly use string, I think.

Why did God give you your mother and not some other mom?

1. We're related..

2. God knew she likes me a lot

more than other people's moms like me.

What kind of a little girl was your mom?

1. My mom has always been my mom and none of that other stuff.

2. I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess would be pretty bossy.

3. They say she used to be nice.

What did mom need to know about dad before she married him?

1. His last name.

2. She had to know his background. Like is he a crook? Does he get drunk on beer?

3. Does he make at least \$800 a year? Did he say NO to drugs and YES to chores?

Why did your mom marry your dad?

1. My dad makes the best spaghetti in the world. And my mom eats a lot.

2. She got too old to do anything else with him.

3. My grandma says that mom

didn't have her thinking cap on.

Who's the boss at your house?

1. Mom doesn't want to be boss, but she has to because dad's such a goof ball.

2. . I guess mom is, but only because she has a lot more to do than dad.

What's the difference between moms and dads?

1. Moms work at work and work at home and dads just go to work at work.

2. Moms know how to talk to teachers without scaring them.

3. Dads are taller and stronger, but moms have all the real power cause that's who you got to ask if you want to sleep over at your friend's house.

4. Moms have magic, they make you feel better without medicine.

What does your mom do in her spare time?

1. Mothers don't do spare time.

2. To hear her tell it, she pays bills all day long.



What would it take to make your mom perfect?

1. On the inside she's already perfect. Outside, I think some kind of plastic surgery.

2. Diet. You know, her hair. I'd diet, maybe blue.

If you could change one thing about your mom, what would it be?

1. I'd make my mom smarter. Then she would know it was my sister who did it not me.

2. I would like for her to get rid of those invisible eyes on the back of her head.



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## Victor Figueroa - Keys Smartphone Repair

Do you have cellular dysfunction? Need help? Have no fear, Victor is here!

I stopped by Keys Smartphone Repair at 91831 Overseas Hwy oceanside in Tavernier because I needed a new phone battery and my phone had a crack across the display that was embarrassing. As he was working on my phone and conversing with me, two more customers came in and he fixed all our phones at once in a matter of minutes. He is lightning fast! His prices are much lower than what you would pay on the mainland too.

There are a gazillion things that can cause cellular phone dysfunction and here are a few:

I accidentally dropped my phone in the toilet.

I accidentally dropped my boyfriends phone in the toilet.



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Victor Figueroa helping Greg Witts.



Someone sneaked bananas on our fishing trip and my phone sunk with the boat and I need to check my messages!

I looked out the window and my phone slipped out of my pocket from the third-floor.

My fat boyfriend sat on it.

I'm a bartender and I put my phone in my bra and forgot about it - now it is dripping with boob sweat.

I went to the doctor and downloaded a virus.

Could spyware be draining my battery?

Someone changed my phone to Spanish and I can't

read my messages.

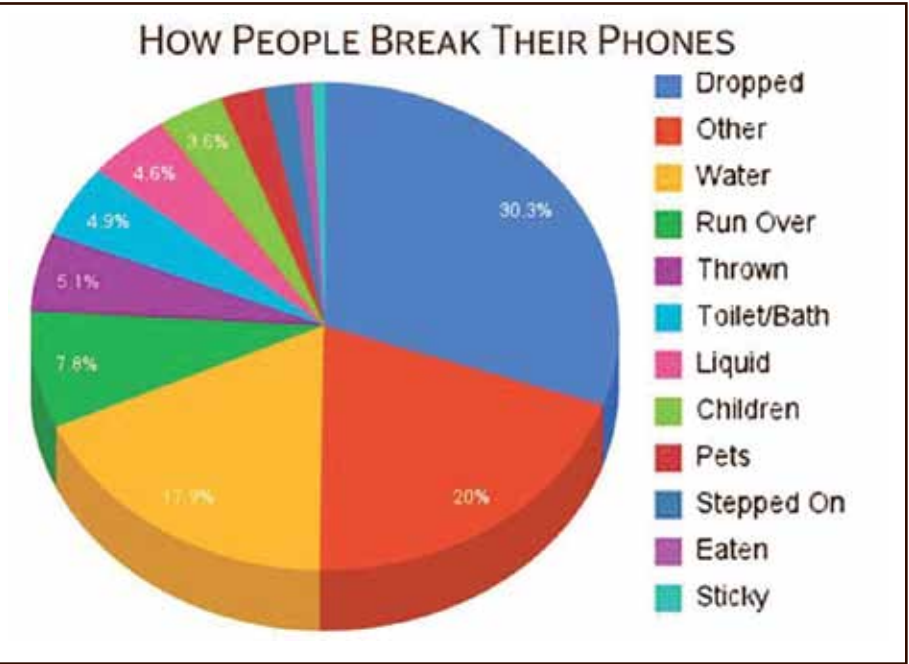
How does this thing work?

Reasons for a broken phone include dropping it (30%) and water damage (13%), with "other" getting 20%.

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Q: If someone from the 1950s suddenly appeared today, what would be the most difficult thing to explain to them about life today?

A: I possess a device, in my pocket, that is capable of accessing the entirety of information known to man. I use it to look at pictures of cats and get in arguments with strangers.





**RULES TO TEACH YOUR DAUGHTER**

1. Never shake a man's hand sitting down.
2. Learn how to cook a signature dish.
3. Spend 30 min. a day reading up on current events.
4. In a negotiation, never make the first offer.
5. Request the late check-out.
6. When entrusted with a secret, keep it.
7. Hold your heroes to a higher standard.
8. Return a borrowed car with a full tank of gas.
9. Play with passion or don't play at all...
10. When shaking hands, grip firmly and look them in the eye.
11. Don't let a wishbone grow where a backbone should be
12. Who ever you choose to marry, you marry his/her family / children
13. Be like a duck. Remain calm on the surface and paddle like crazy underneath.
14. Experience the serenity of traveling alone.
15. Never be afraid to talk to the best looking person in the room.
16. Never turn down a breath mint.
17. A classic outfit is worth 1000 words.
18. Try writing your own eulogy. Never stop revising.
19. Thank a veteran.
20. After writing an angry email, read it carefully. Then delete it.
21. Ask your mom to play. She won't let you win.
22. Manners make the woman.
23. Give credit. Take the blame.
24. Stand up to Bullies. Protect those bullied.
25. Write down your dreams.
26. Add value everywhere you go.
27. Be confident and humble at the same time.
28. If ever in doubt, REMEMBER WHOSE DAUGHTER YOU ARE and REFUSE to just be ordinary!
29. Change the world, don't let it change you.
30. Always be you! Hold your head up high, Be confident whenever you walk into a room and stay strong.
31. Don't ever let anyone make you feel like you are less of a person. They have the problem, not you.
32. As your mother, I will ALWAYS have your back.



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A conspiracy of subtweets.

A pile of hemorrhoids.  
A bunion of personal trainers.  
A grope of presidents.  
A condescension of mansplainers.

An abundance of food banks.  
An underfunding of schools.  
A pathy of voters.  
A cabinet of fools.

A collection correction of pedants.  
A sesquipedality of long words.  
An invention of collective nouns.  
An oven glove of non sequiturs.

Brian Bilston



### KLI Shell Lumber & Hardware Announcement

Key Largo KLI Shell Lumber & Hardware is pleased to announce the confirmation of Michael Rundgren as Operations Manager, reporting to Chuck Strong, General Manager. Michael will guide the organization in its mission to be the best hardware and lumber yard in the Florida Keys.

Michael has spent the past 30 years working at Forest Tek Lumber in Tavernier. During his tenure, he has worn multiple hats, but recently has led the sales team and overseen the centralization of the purchasing functions for two stores.

In his new position as Operations Manager, we have all come to appreciate Michael's dedication to creating an environment of accountability, transparency and hard work-



Michael Rundgren

ing. Please join us in congratulating Michael as the new member of our family. Under his leadership, we look forward to a vibrant and flourishing future for KLI Shell Lumber & Hardware and for the thousands of local customers we serve each year and thereafter.

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## Ladies, Let's Go Fishing Hosts the LLGF Screamin' Reels Tournament June 24-26, 2022 Islamorada, FL

Novice anglers are invited to fish the non intimidating LLGF Screamin' Reels tournament June 24-26, 2022 in Islamorada, FL. Hosted by the nonprofit Ladies Let's Go Fishing Foundation, the tournament kicks off on Friday with a presentation on offshore fishing and conservation, plus a meet and greet from 6-8 pm at The Tavernier Elks Club.

Friendly fishing competition ensues Saturday and Sunday on inshore and offshore charter boats or private boats, departing from Whale Harbor Marina, and other locations.

\$1,000 in individual angler prizes will be presented on Sunday upon the return of boats at Whale Harbor. Awards are made for Heaviest Fish Overall, Offshore Billfish Release, Junior Angler, Longest Inshore Fish, Wild Card prizes and more.

This tournament offers easy rules designed for novice anglers, where anglers learn skills as they fish. Those with no boat can secure charter slots, which fill quickly so early registration is encouraged.

Featured on national network television and more, the series is supported by major partners including Recreational Fishing and Boating Foundation, Take Me Fishing, Vamos a Pescar, Mercury, Magic Tilt trailers, Shearwater Boats, Power-Pole, Penn, TACO Metals, Fish & Wildlife Foundation of Florida and Fish Florida. Annual and class-specific contributors are listed on the website.

LLGF offers a second Keys event Oct. 7-9 with full day fishing seminar, two days of fishing and casual prizes.



Sea Horse Sunday Jennifer Evans, Daytona Beach, FL; Robin Krueger, Parkland, FL; Annabelle and Noelle Goulart, Belle Isle, FL; Ronda Trajbar, Key Largo, FL and Jolene Chandler, Jacksonville, FL..



Debbie Decker Red Grouper 1st Place Offshore.



Costa Morada Sunday. Vicki Hogan, Marathon, FL; Andrea Mills, Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Paul Doehring and Tamara Doehring, Naples, FL and Pamela Ford Weston, FL.



Costa Morada Saturday. Melissa Ritchie, Stuart, FL; Robin Krueger, Parkland, FL; Annabelle Goulart, Belle Isle, FL; Betty Bauman, Davie, FL; Noelle Goulart, Belle Isle, FL and Debbie Decker, Rotunda West, FL.

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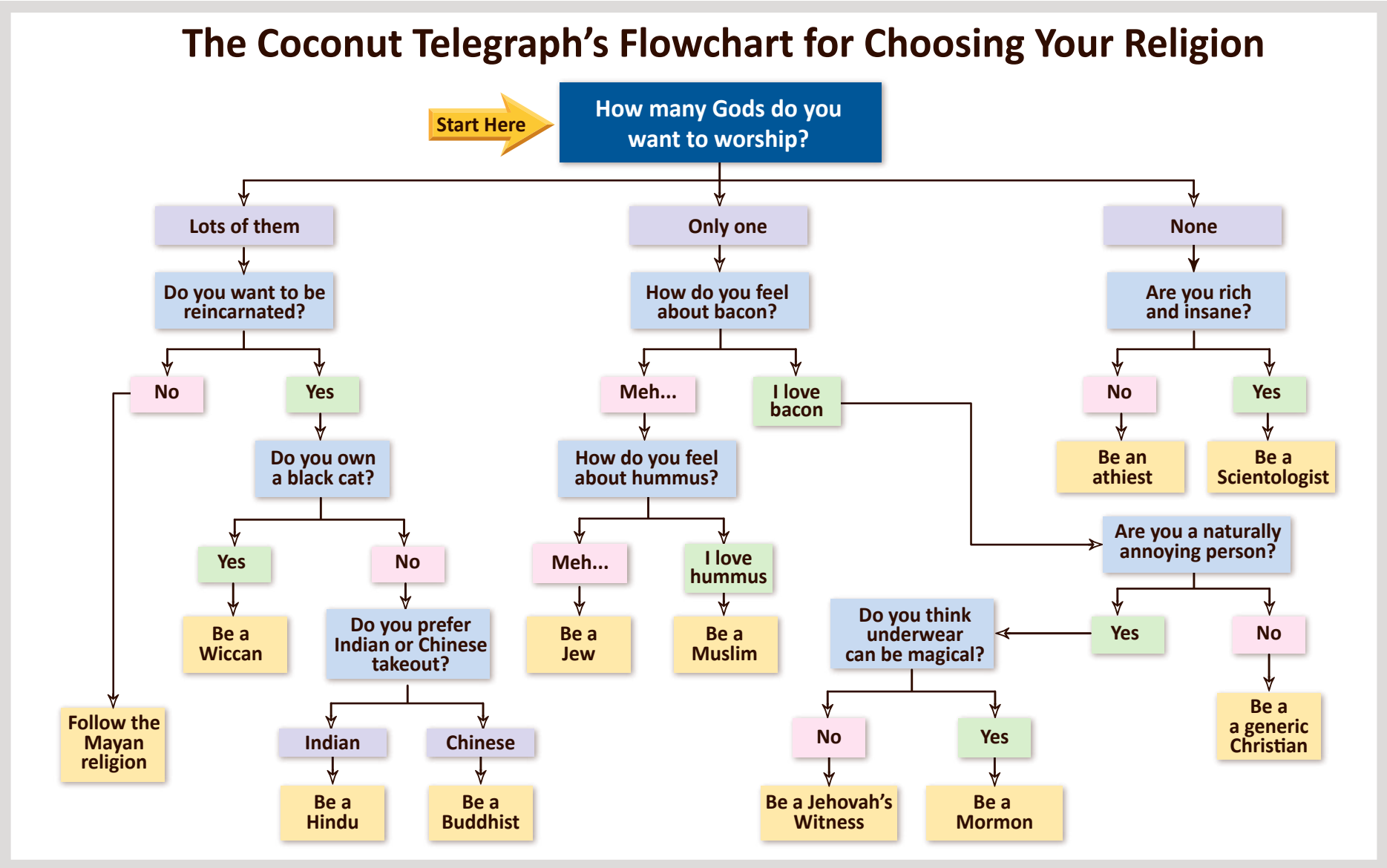
Remaining 2022 LLGF are listed on the website.  
The Tavernier Elks Club is located at 92600 Overseas Hwy, Tavernier, FL 33070, MM 92 Bayside.

**About "Ladies, Let's Go Fishing!"**  
The Ladies, Let's Go Fishing Foundation (LLGF) is a national charitable 501C3 organization dedicated to attracting women and families to fishing and encouraging conservation and responsible angling. LLGF promotes networking among women anglers and emphasizes mentorships.

Founded in 1997 by Betty Bauman, of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, LLGF has over 9,000 graduates and is the largest organization in the world whose objective is to introduce women and families to fishing.

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## About the Amethyst

### The Meaning Of Amethyst

The spiritual meaning of Amethyst is groundedness, tranquility, and calm. The literal meaning of Amethyst is "not intoxicated" - its name translates from the Greek word amethystos.

To this ancient, wise culture, the Amethyst crystal was of the utmost importance, and the myth associated with it still lives on inside it to this day.

You can immediately feel peace of mind by simply looking at this brilliant crystal. In fact, its radiant purple and white colors have represented the sobriety of emotions and spirit throughout history.

By placing Amethyst on your forehead, navel or heart, you can immediately sense the angers, frustrations, and furies leaving your body.

Psychics, mediums, and other divination practitioners hold Amethyst's worth in high regard. They often decorate sacred altars and spaces with its incomparably beautiful violet designs

### Metaphysical Properties Of Amethyst

The metaphysical properties of Amethyst are calmness, balance, and peace. People also use it to eliminate impatience. It works on the emotional, physical, and spiritual planes

### How To Best Use Amethyst

Amethyst is one of the relatively few crystals that can be used with the specific purpose of improving intellectual and cerebral thought.

Use Amethyst as jewelry or keep it in your pocket close to you for the best results. You'll find that it can help you keep a clear head

and rid yourself of brain fog. It can peel away the veil that can cloud your judgement.

### Benefits Of Using Amethyst

Using Amethyst can help you think both soberly and critically about the situations you face. And this will lead you to far greater success in handling them.

That is why Amethyst has long been said to promote sobriety. Both in the literal sense of preventing drunkenness and in the metaphorical sense of being able to think more clearly. And to not be clouded with emotion of any specific sort.

This is a wonderful crystal to use if you frequently find yourself in situations unsure of how to take action. Using Amethyst helps you to think clearly and not let your emotions cloud your judgment.

### The Healing Powers Of Amethyst

Amethysts are the great problem-solvers of the crystal world. Even people less inclined towards the esoteric and spiritual cannot help but find their lives enriched by this stone.

A sharper sense of conversation and just knowing the right thing to say is one of the wonderful gifts it offers us.

Amethyst's emotional healing powers can help you cut through difficult situations and let you understand what it really is you're dealing with. They make it possible to get through difficult choices and decision-making processes as painlessly as possible.

If you are a natural empath or otherwise highly sensitive to your emotional environment, you should keep



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- Balance
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- Communication

reproductive organs, and the heart.

It can aid in the treatment of disorders that affect the lungs, pancreas, and spleen. It can also stimulate fertility and help in the treatment of conditions related to the reproductive system.

### Amethyst And Wealth

Amethyst is an excellent crystal to have when you're serious about building your personal wealth. It will help with growing your business or sharing your abundance with the people you love.

Amethyst will foster creative output, brilliant ideas, and dedicated work. It's the ideal crystal to put on your work table or office desk so that your productivity will be high. In other words, Amethyst might just help inspire you to seek your fortune.

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Imagine a world in which we all shared our gifts and bounty with each other, rather than focusing on self-preservation.

There are many variations on the story of stone soup, but they all involve a traveler coming into a town beset by famine. The inhabitants try to discourage the traveler from staying, fearing he wants them to give him food. They tell him in no uncertain terms that there's no food anywhere to be found. The traveler explains that he doesn't need any food and that, in fact, he was planning to make a soup to share with all of them. The villagers watch suspiciously as he builds a fire and fills a cauldron with water. With great ceremony, he pulls a stone from a bag, dropping the stone into the pot of water. He sniffs the brew extravagantly and exclaims how delicious stone soup is. As the villagers begin to show interest, he mentions how good the soup would be with just a little cabbage in it. A villager brings out a cabbage to share. This episode repeats itself until the soup has cabbage, carrots, onions, and beets -- indeed, a substantial soup that feeds everyone in the village.

This story addresses the human tendency to hoard in times of deprivation. When resources are scarce, we pull back and



put all of our energy into self-preservation. We isolate ourselves and shut out others. As the story of stone soup reveals, in doing so, we often deprive ourselves and everyone else of a feast. This metaphor plays out beyond the realm of food. We hoard ideas, love, and energy, thinking we will be richer if we keep them to ourselves, when in truth we make the world, and ourselves, poorer whenever we greedily stockpile our reserves. The traveler was able to see that the villagers were holding back, and he had the genius to draw them out and inspire them to give, thus creating a spread that none of them could have created alone

Are you like one of the villagers, holding back? If you come forward and share your gifts, you will inspire others to do the same. The reward is a banquet that can nourish many.

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Internet router scam reported in the Keys

The Sheriff's Office was notified this week of a scam in which a caller or door-to-door salesperson offers to upgrade your Internet router.

A router is a device that provides Wi-Fi. It sends information from the internet to personal devices like computers, phones and tablets.

The scammer often states they are with Verizon, Comcast, AT&T or some other large Internet provider. They may state they need access to your computer to install software -- or ask you to update your router so you can achieve faster download speeds. This often turns out to be spyware or some other malicious software. The scammers may try to sell you a different router.

If you receive such a call hang up and call your Internet provider for verification. These criminals can be very convincing, often representing themselves as experts within the company they claim to be representing.

General scam tips and reminders:

- Never give access to your computer without first checking with the reported agency.

- Never provide financial information to strangers over the phone.
- Never pay for money demands from unknown callers over the phone with gift cards. This is a sure sign you are getting scammed.

Residents should never give personal, monetary, or gift card information to anyone over the phone, in a text, or an email-- TO ANYONE REGARDLESS OF WHO THEY CLAIM TO BE --

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Anyone with information about any crimes should contact the Monroe County Sheriff's Office at 305-292-7000.

Callers who wish to remain anonymous can call Crime Stoppers at 1-866-471-8477. If a tip leads to an arrest in the case, the caller may be eligible for a cash reward. Tips may also be submitted online at [www.floridakeyscrimestoppers.com](http://www.floridakeyscrimestoppers.com) or via a text message using the smartphone app called P3 Phone.

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THE PASSION IS GONE	I WANT TO HAVE SEX WITH PEOPLE WHO AREN'T YOU
WE HAVE DIFFERENT VALUES	MY FAMILY HATES YOU
IT'S NOT YOU IT'S ME	I COPY MY LIFE FROM SEINFELD
MAYBE WE SHOULD TAKE A BREAK, NO A BREAK FROM US	I COPY MY LIFE FROM FRIENDS
YOU'RE TOO GOOD FOR ME	I HAVE DONE SOMETHING HORRIBLE
I'M NOT LOOKING FOR A RELATIONSHIP	YOU AREN'T GOING TO FALL FOR THIS ARE YOU?
YOU DON'T SEEM HAPPY	I'M GOING TO TRY TO MAKE THIS SEEM LIKE YOUR IDEA
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Me: You'll have to tell me.  
Caller: Give me the numbers on your card.  
Me: (I make up 16 digits at random)  
Caller: That's a pre-paid gift card. I need the number off your credit card.  
Me: It says Discover Card.  
Caller: No, that's a gift card.  
Me: No, it says Discover Card.  
Caller: Do you have another card?  
Me: Yes.  
Caller: Can you pick another card?  
Me: Yes.  
Caller: What card is it?  
Me: It's the Seven of Clubs  
Caller: Is that a Visa Card?  
Me: No, it's a Seven of Clubs. Want me to draw another card?  
Caller: (unrepeatable)

**"No Cook"**  
**Cool Whip Recipe**

1 can sweetened condensed milk  
½ cup Nellie & Joe's Key West Lime Juice  
8 oz. container cool whip  
Graham cracker crust  
Whisk sweetened condensed milk with Nellie & Joe's Key West Lime Juice until evenly mixed. Fold in Cool Whip and fill crust. Refrigerate.

This pie may also be frozen for a great summer treat. May be garnished with thin sliced pieces of lime and whipped cream.





# Coco‘Nut’ Funnies

A lady goes to the bar on a cruise ship and orders a Scotch with two drops of water.

As the bartender gives her the drink she says, "I'm on this cruise to celebrate my 80th birthday and it's today..."

The bartender says, "Well, since it's your birthday, I'll buy you a drink. In fact, this one is on me."

As the woman finishes her drink, the woman to her right says, "I would like to buy you a drink, too."

The old woman says, "Thank you. Bartender, I want a Scotch with two drops of water."

"Coming up," says the bartender.

As she finishes that drink, the man to her left says, "I would like to buy you one, too."

The old woman says, "Thank you. Bartender, I want another Scotch with two drops of water."


"Coming right up," the bartender says.

As he gives her the drink, he says, "Ma'am, I'm dying of curiosity, why the Scotch with only two drops of water?"


The old woman replies, "Sonny, when you're my age, you've learned how to hold your liquor. Holding your water, however, is a whole other issue."

MOM, I'M SORRY

FOR ALL THE DUMB STUFF I DID WHEN I WAS A KID. IF IT HELPS, YOU ONLY KNOW ABOUT HALF OF IT...



When a millennial asks why everyone in old photos have red eyes I tell them they were too young to remember the great demon uprising of the 1980s.



A Jewish grandmother is giving directions to her grown grandson who is coming to visit with his wife.

"You come to the front door of the apartment. I am in apartment 301. There is a big panel at the front door. With your elbow, push button 301. I will buzz you in. Come inside, the elevator is on the right. Get in, and with your elbow, push 3. When you get out, I'm on the left. With your elbow, hit my doorbell."

"Grandma, that sounds easy, but, why am I hitting all these buttons with my elbow?"

"What . . . You're coming empty handed?"

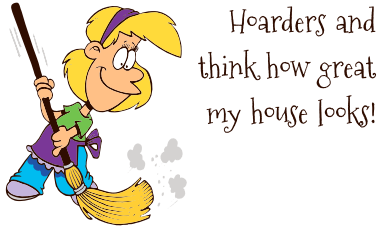



I'm currently putting together a crew of skilled thieves to help me break into a blister pack of NyQuil.





Instead of cleaning house I just watch an episode of Hoarders and think how great my house looks!





Whenever someone invites me to their home and I see more than 3 cars parked outside, I keep driving, just in case it's an intervention.

The female dentist pulls out a numbing needle to give the man a shot.

"No way! No needles! I hate needles!" says the patient. The dentist starts to hook up the nitrous oxide and the man objects. "No way! I can't do the gas thing. The thought of having a mask on suffocates me!"

The dentist then asks the patient if he has any objection to taking a pill. "No objection at all," the patient says. "I'm fine with pills." The dentist then returns and says, "Here's a Viagra."

The patient says, "Wow! I didn't know Viagra worked as a pain killer!"

"It doesn't," said the dentist, "but it's going to give you something to hold on to when I pull your tooth."

The fitness trainer asked me, "What kind of a squat are you accustomed to doing?" I said, "Diddly."

The mother-in-law arrives home from shopping to find her son-in-law, Paddy in a steaming rage and hurriedly packing his suitcase.

"What happened Paddy?" she asks anxiously.

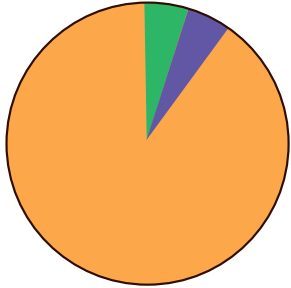
"What happened? I'll tell you what happened! I sent an email to my wife telling her I was coming home today from my fishing trip. I get home .. and guess what I found? Your daughter, my wife, Jean, naked with Joe Murphy in our marital bed! This is unforgivable! The end of our marriage. I'm done. I'm leaving forever!"

"Ah now, calm down, calm down Paddy!" says his mother-in-law. "There is something very odd going on here. Jean would never do such a thing! There must be a simple explanation. I'll go speak to her immediately and find out what happened."

Moments later, the mother-in-law comes back with a big smile. "Paddy, there, I told you it must be a simple explanation. She never got your email!"

Why is it most women won't date a guy if he lives with his mother but some will date a guy that lives with his wife?

Why I Use Subtitles




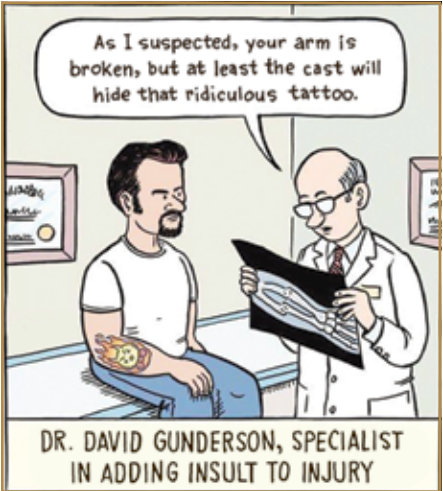
- Because I can't understand the language
- Because there are too many accents and too much slang
- Because I'm gonna eat chips.

Teslas do not have "New Car" smell.

They have an Elon Musk.

I START THE DAY WITH CAP'N CRUNCH AND END THE DAY WITH CAPTAIN MORGAN BECAUSE APPARENTLY... I WANT TO BE A PIRATE.





Don't give up on your dreams, if cauliflower can be pizza and zucchini can be noodles then you too can be anything you want.


After a tiring day, a commuter settled down in his seat and closed his eyes.

As the train rolled out of the station, a woman sitting next to him pulled out her mobile phone.


She started talking in a loud voice: "Hi sweetheart. It's Sue. I'm on the train". "Yes, I know it's the six thirty and not the four thirty, but I had a long meeting. No, honey, not with that Kevin from the accounting office. It was with the boss. No sweetheart, you're the only one in my life. Yes, I'm sure, cross my heart!"

Fifteen minutes later, she was still talking loudly. When the man sitting next to her had enough, he leaned over and said into the phone, "Sue, hang up the phone and come back to bed."

Sue doesn't use her mobile phone in public any longer.



MOMMA KNOWS BEST- HA! HARDLY! I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT I'M DOING. SO LONG AS YOU DON'T END UP DEAD, HURT, OR IN PRISON I'M GOING TO CALL IT A WIN.



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WE SHOULD START A CLUB. (BUT NOT RIGHT NOW, MAYBE LATER.)

I just read an article on the DANGERS of DRINKING... Scared the shit out of me. So that's it! After today, NO MORE READING.

A couple has a dog that snored. Annoyed because she can't sleep, the wife goes to the vet to see if he could help. The vet tells the woman to tie a ribbon around the dog's testicles, and he will stop snoring. "Yeah, right!" she says and walks away.

The wife tosses and turns, unable to sleep. Muttering to herself, she goes to the closet and grabs a piece of red ribbon and ties it carefully around the dog's testicles. Sure enough, the dog stops snoring. The woman is amazed and falls asleep happy.


Later that night, her husband returns home drunk from being out drinking with his buddies. He climbs into bed, falls asleep and immediately begins snoring loudly.

Awaken, the woman decides maybe the ribbon might work on him. So, she goes to the closet again, grabs a piece of blue ribbon and ties it around her husband's testicles. Amazingly, it also works on him. The woman falls asleep and sleeps soundly.

The husband wakes from his drunken stupor and stumbles into the bathroom. As he stands in front of the toilet, he glances in the mirror and sees a blue ribbon attached to his privates. He is very confused, and as he walks back into the bedroom, he sees the red ribbon attached to his dog's testicles.

He shakes his head, looks at the dog and whispers, "Buddy, I don't know where we were or what we did last night, but we took first and second place!"

MONK WHO CLAIMS HE SAW FACE OF JESUS IN HIS MARGARINE TUB



Said: "I can't believe it's not Buddha"



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A starter marriage is one that lasts for five years or less, and ends before children begin (I'm thinking one to three years will be enough.)

Being that I would like to eventually get married (for real) and have children I really need to get the ball rolling on this.

So maybe we haven't exactly met yet but that's no reason we shouldn't get married. 305-555-Start

Most people could care less that people say irregardless. This misuse should of been nipped in the butt long ago. Maybe they are just escape goats for the broader problems of the decline of education, but even though I have been biting my time here, cringing at the next foe par while they get off scotch free, it's truly a mute point these days. Face it: it's a doggie dog world. I think I'll just go curl up in a feeble position. Ex cetera, ex cetera, ex cetera...

Why don't they just make the Tupperware spaghetti colored right there at the factory?

IF WE WANTED TO BOLDLY SEND BILLIONAIRES WHERE NO BILLIONAIRES HAVE BEEN BEFORE, WE COULD HAVE JUST SENT THEM TO THE TAX OFFICE

Great minds thinking alike is not nearly as common as ignorant minds thinking alike.

**May Events and Programs at Key Largo Library**

The Key Largo Branch of the Monroe County Library System is hosting the following programs during the month of May. All library programs are free and open to the public. Program funding provided by the Friends of the Key Largo Library. Visit KeysLibraries.Org for books, streaming movies, ebooks, and more.

**Special Events**

**May Art Exhibit:** Local artist Mariano Leone canvas is recycled lumber from which he builds cabinets, benches, tables and more. His artwork is featured in several businesses and events in the Keys.

**May 16** 1-2:30 pm Hot Mess Flower Canvas: Drop in to create a painted flower on an 8x8 canvas. Supplies provided.

**May 18** 10 am-3 pm Monthly free Legal Help for low-income residents of Monroe County. Sponsored by Legal Services of the Florida Keys. Also June 29.

**May 26** 1 pm English, 2 pm Spanish Monthly WIC Breastfeeding Classes Free Prenatal breastfeeding class. Come learn about breastfeeding and its benefits. Everyone welcome. Also June 30. Clase de lactancia prenatal gratis. Venga a aprender sobre la lactancia materna y sus beneficios. Todos bienvenidos.

**Weekly Programs**

**LEGO® Club** Monday 4pm. Elementary-age children can be creative and build with LOTS of LEGOS.

Work on your own creation or build as a team and test your skills with building challenges!

**Storytime** Tuesday & Thursday 10:30 am for ages 0-5

**Creative Tuesdays** 1-3 pm Calling all Artists, new and experienced! Bring in items you are working on and help each other during this fun afternoon program. Sometimes a guest artist will have a project everyone can participate in.

**Tech Tutor** Wednesdays 1-4 pm Drop in for help downloading library apps to your smart phone or tablet. Learn how to download e-books and e-audiobooks; learn how to stream movies from Kanopy too. Basic computer help is also available. Bring your device and questions.

**Quit Your Way** - Tobacco Free Florida Wednesdays 1 pm hosted by Beth Dunlap, RN and the Florida Keys Area Health Education Center (AHEC)

**Sit + Sew** Friday 9:30 am - 1pm. Bring your sewing machine and current project.

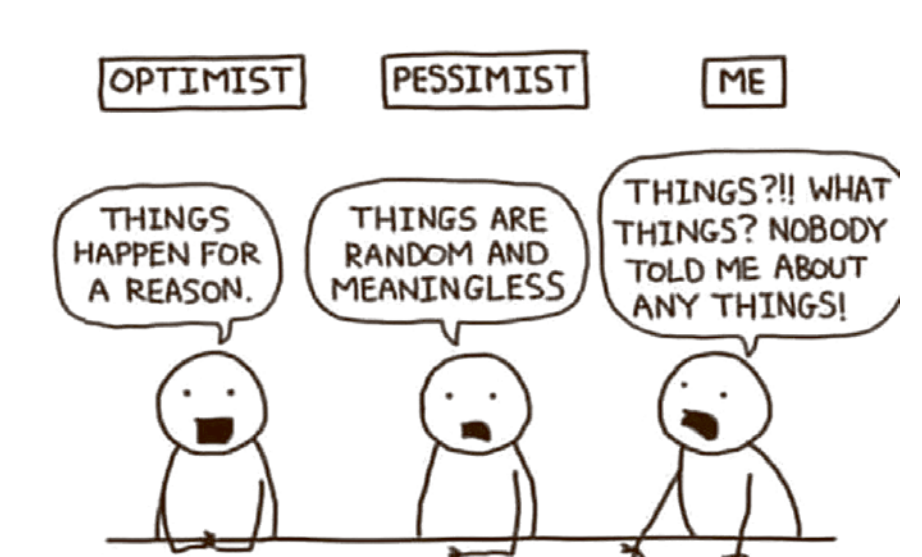
**Mahjong** Monday, Wednesday, Saturday 1-4pm

KeysLibraries.org/events  
Facebook.com/KeyLargoLibrary  
Instagram.com/KeyLargoLibrary

KEY LARGO BRANCH LIBRARY IS LOCATED IN TRADEWINDS SHOPPING CENTER AT MM 101.4 OCEANSIDE.

Remember when we cried as kids and our parents said "I'll give you something to cry about."

We thought they were going to hit us but instead they destroyed the housing market, quadrupled college tuition, and melted the ice caps.





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Scott Youngberg 11-3 Webb & Davidson 6-10	2 Carousers 6-10 Michael Trixx @Sunset	3 Dennis Holmes 6-10	4 Webb & Mavis 6-10 Michael Trixx @Sunset	5 Webb & Mavis 6-10	6 Taylor King Band 6-10 Michael Trixx @Sunset	7 Christopher Dean 11-3 Flakeys Gang 6-10
8 Micah 11-3 Lung 6-10	9 Carousers 6-10 Michael Trixx @Sunset	10 Dennis Holmes 6-10	11 Webb & Davidson 6-10 Michael Trixx @Sunset	12 Webb & Davidson 6-10	13 Brothers Of Others 6-10	14 Ray Jaworski 11-3 Abstract Radio 6-10
15 Scott Youngberg 11-3 Webb & Davidson 6-10	16 Carousers 6-10	17 Dennis Holmes 6-10	18 Webb & Davidson 6-10	19 Webb & Davidson 6-10	20 Taylor King Band 6-10	21 Micah 11-3 South 58 6-10
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