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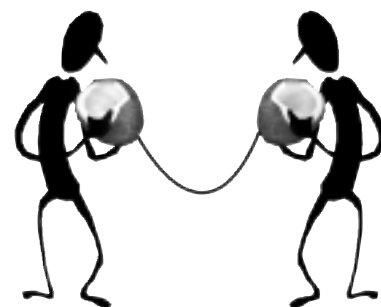
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# Entertainers of the Month HAV-AT-IT



Submitted by Elizabeth Henderson

For those of you who haven't heard the newest rock band in the upper keys, HAV-AT-IT, you're in for a real treat. This band really rocks, and does so at a controlled volume, because they use an electronic drum set. If the music gets too loud, they can just turn down the volume with the touch of a button. The variety of music they play is like a breath of fresh air for those who are tired of hearing the same old songs. These guys play everything from America to Zeppelin.

I'm also very impressed with this group because they are playing music because they love to play music, not because they have to. They all work important full-time day jobs and look forward to opportunities when they can get together and play. When these guys get together, it is fun!

How did the band get their name? Well, they had been playing music together for a while with no band name. When they asked their friend Ken if they could hold a party at his house he said, "Sure, have at it." Well, it turned out to be a great party, and the name stuck.

HAV-At-It consists of:

Rocco Bruno on drums, Dale Henderson on bass guitar, Jon Henderson on rhythm guitar, and Roger Mulick on lead guitar. As you may have guessed by the last names, Dale and Jon are brothers and they have been playing music together on and off for years. They are both originally from Michigan. Rocco is originally from New York, and he will truly impress you with his ability to sing lead vocals and play drums at the same time. He will also make you laugh with his funny commentary between songs. Roger is originally from New Jersey and he can really wail on the lead guitar.

This band is special because it's the perfect blend of talented musicians who all like the same type of music and appreciate the variety of songs that can be played with an electronic drum kit. Their music will draw you in, not blast you away with too much volume. Also, the songs that they perform with three part harmony will give you goosebumps. Wow!

If you would like to see (and hear) a small sample of the songs HAV-AT-IT performs, you can check them out on YouTube at roccoB52.

## Editorial: Pirate's Choice Rum Museum at the Keys Visitor Center!



Ahoy! The Coconut Telegraph is proud to announce that the Keys Visitor Center will be opening very soon at Gilbert's Resort and it is home to the Pirate's Choice Rum Museum. We have the original distillery, made from a small water heater, which started it all here in Key Largo! Stop in and bring the kids, they can pillage the treasure chest for a pirate coin or beads. Grab a Pirate's Choice Rum mojito at the

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Speaking of Pirate's, the Pirate's on the Water, Jimmy Buffett's Parrot Heads Club, is taking new members. This is a great organization as they are environmentally inclined and throw parties to clean up the beaches in the Keys and do much for the community. Join now; it's only \$35 for the year.

Please, please, please read Sammie Mays story about Wal-Mart on page 14. It

is frightening to think of the things that happen off the Rock. Be safe and shop in the Florida Keys.

Business owners get ready for a fantastic season. The Coconut Telegraph flew off the shelves in November! They'rrrrre heeerre! We try to keep each location stocked, if you run out give us a call or stop by the Coconut Telegraph office (Keys Visitor Center) at Gilbert's. Rodney at All Things Graphic has the Coconut Telegraph tee shirts almost ready. Be the first to own one! Omar Perez is working on a web site for the Coconut Telegraph and we will soon be on-line! As a special thank you to all the advertisers who have stuck with us our Christmas gift to you is "no rate increase in 2008!" Have a happy and safe Holiday Season.

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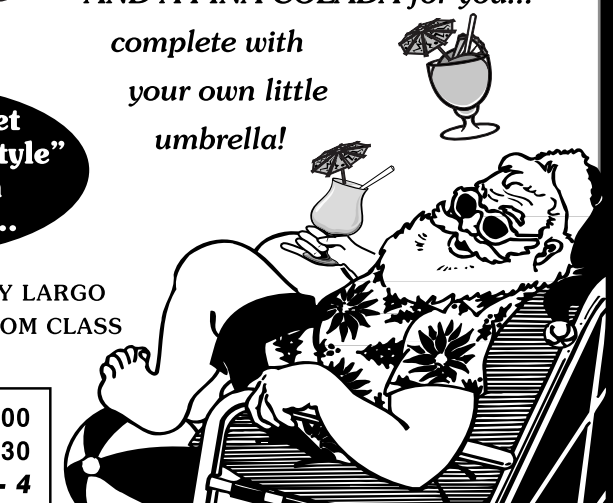
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