

Restaurant of the Month Wahoo's Bar & Grill

Waterfront restaurants are abundant in the Florida Keys but not many can compare to the view from Wahoo's at Whale Harbor Marina. Whether you choose to sit in the indoor air conditioning or outside on the patio, you just can't get a bad view of the Atlantic ocean and one of the finest Charter boat Fishing Fleets in the Keys. There are 31 Back Country and off shore fishing boats. If you arrive before sunset you can watch them unload their catch. Even Captain Skip Bradeen of the "Blue Chip II" keeps his boat there and when he is not on the water delivering his fishing report on Sun 103 you can sometimes find him and the other Captains at the bar swapping fishing stories.

We couldn't take our eyes off the giant sailfish that appears to have sailed through the floor behind the bar and into the ceiling. How did they do that? It is easy to find with the huge Wahoo in front of the building.

The menu holds something for everyone. We tried the Chimichurri Rubbed Churrasco Steak, seasoned to perfection and cooked over an open flame, served with black beans and rice and the slow Roasted Angus Prime Rib that is only served Fri - Sun after 5 PM, just melts in your mouth. The sautéed vegetables were outstanding. If you are looking for something light there is quite an assortment of sandwiches and salads and the prices are

very reasonable. For dessert we recommend the cheesecake and "Death by Chocolate" cake.

We are going to return soon for the outstanding Happy Hour that is 4 to 8 PM, 7 days a week. The specials include 1/2 lb. peel & eat shrimp \$4.00, calamari \$4.00, The Harpoon (Conch Fritters and Fried Shrimp) \$4.50, Whale Fries \$2.50, and 50 cent Chicken

Wings served mild, medium, hot or sweet chili. For the thirsty the drink specials are 2 for 1 on well drinks, draft beer and house wines. Domestic bottles \$1.75,

Import bottles \$2.50 and Muddled Margaritas \$3.00. On Sundays you can create your own Bloody Mary's all day long and choose from an extensive list of ingredients. "It's a really fun thing," John Rusignuolo Wahoo's restaurant manager tells us. Selena, at the bar, is going to be February's Bartender of the Month! She really knows how to keep those drinks coming.

The new owners, Howard and Janeth Brody, have been residents of the Keys since 1983. Their daughter Michelle manages Braza Lena and the whole family works there. Jim Anderson is the General Manager and he keeps everything running smoothly. If you are interested in catching some great entertainment we recommend the soothing sounds of "Moss". He has a kind of ZZ Top sound in his voice and plays a lot of New Orleans Jazz and Blues



WAHOOS
Bar & Grill
at Whale Harbor Marina
Mile Marker 83.5

from the 50's, 60's and 70's that you don't normally hear, he plays a phenomenal guitar and sings Fridays and Saturdays 7 to 10 PM.

Wednesday is Jazz night 7 to 10 PM with 2 for 1 wine and scotch. Sunday listen to the tunes of the JK Project, 7 to 10 PM.

We are excited about how things are flourishing. With the change in Holiday

Isle this March, visitors and locals will be pleased to have the Landmark Whale Harbor Marina just across the bridge. Along with everything else they also offer kite surfing, wake boarding, boat and Jet Ski rentals, and parasailing is coming soon.

With all that and great food what more could you ask for?

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A Philadelphia Eagles Cosmic Connection in Key Largo

By Rachel R. Peine

I've heard of "instant karma", but this experience is the most "instant" I've ever experienced.

My husband Rich and I moved to Key Largo last year after finally reaching our lifelong limit on Philadelphia winters.

Our mobile home was just about perfect, but one drawback was that the washer and dryer were outside in the shed. Aside from getting eaten alive by mosquitoes, I'm a lazy slob and want to be able to throw stuff into the wash any time of the day or night. So I went searching and found someone in Miami selling a one-piece gizmo with the dryer on top and the washer on the bottom that would fit perfectly in the closet next to the bathroom.

That Sunday, the Philadelphia Eagles were scheduled to play Dallas at 4:00. We made arrangements to pick up the washer/dryer around 1:00 so we could be home in time for the game. After loading up, we were chatting with the sellers, Jose and Maria, when Jose noticed Rich's Eagles hat and mentioned that their son, Juan, loves the Eagles. Now Rich is a connoisseur of ball caps, and this is not your ordinary cheapo cap. It's a top of the line regulation NFL Eagles cap and you won't find one like it on every corner in Miami. When Juan came and joined the conversation, Rich was thrilled to find a budding Eagles fanatic and spontaneously transferred the cap from his own head to Juan's. The sparkle in Juan's eye told Rich it was the right

thing to do.

We said our goodbyes and headed back home. When I went to move our other car out of the way so we could unload I saw something sitting on the hood that didn't belong there. "Rich, what the heck is this?" I asked, holding up a brand new, official NFL Eagles cap, similar to the one Rich gave Juan. We both looked at it, looked around, looked up and down the block, looked at each other, and looked back at the hat.

Where the heck did it come from? Who would have put it there? Not a clue. Who here knows that we're Eagles fans? We were flabbergasted and completely at a loss. The day ended with the mystery unsolved.

Monday ticked by with no further information. Then, after dinner, we were out in the driveway, and Bill from around the corner came by in his golf cart. I asked him if he knew anything about the hat. Well, he admitted, he did. It turns out he found it at a yard sale a few months ago, figured Rich would like it, and talked the lady into selling it to him for \$2.00. He had been meaning to give it to Rich, but he kept forgetting.

He has no idea why it finally struck him to bring it over, but I firmly believe that there were some very strong celestial signals being sent out over the wires between Miami and Key Largo. What's the likelihood of finding an Eagles fan selling a washer/dryer to ex-Philadelphians in Miami?

I say what goes around comes around, and what's amazing is how fast it comes around sometimes.

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Some Dance To Forget

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