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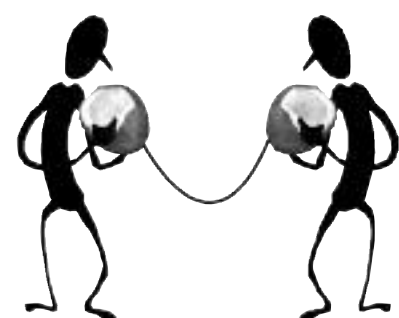
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Entertainers of the Month Troubadour Troy



By Rich and Rachel Peine

If you like classic rock, check out Sharkey's on Friday nights. You can hear the sounds of all your favorites echoing across the canal while you enjoy your Shock Top Belgian wheat Ale and garlic crab claws. What a combination!

This month's featured entertainer has had roots in the Keys since his grandfather retired here in 1969. "I remember coming

down here to fish when I was 5", he told us, "so my kids are 4th generation Keys residents." Troy Allen performs solo as "Troubadour Troy", and he also plays with his band, "The Barefoot Bottom Feeders" (I didn't ask...), which includes Sundiver Dave (Brigham) on percussion and Gary Phillips on bass.

Troy's a singer,
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Troy Allen and the "Barefoot Bottom Feeders".

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Editorial: Planning Party to Benefit Food Pantry

In November we will celebrate 3 years in business and WORZ Ocean Reef Radio will celebrate 16 years so we have decided to throw a big bash at the Pilot House. There will be food, entertainment, door prizes and raffles. It will be open to the public; the only requirement to get in is to bring some canned food for the Burton Memorial Food Pantry.

I stopped by the Food Pantry yesterday and it was just about empty. The Coconut Telegraph and WORZ want to see it replenished so that no one will go hungry over the holidays. If you would like to help call me. We will need items for door prizes. First State Bank has already agreed to be a sponsor.

We chose the Pilot House because it was the first advertiser in our paper and they have been with us through thick and thin. George Wilson, the owner, has done some amazing things that you just have to see. For instance, stop by and see the glass bottom floor where you can feed and watch the fish. It delights kids of all ages!

Letter to the Editor: Thanks Dr. Bailey

Dear Coconut Telegraph,

We saw the big ad for Doc Bailey and we want to publicly thank him for his assistance and compassion when we lost our dog Jimmy to sudden cancer. It was a hectic couple of months. Dr. Bailey performed emergency surgery, we took Jimmy to the Marathon Veterinary Clinic for a transfusion, finally an ultrasound showed that the cancer was everywhere. When the time came, Dr Bailey gave us time to say goodbye, and time to grieve.

Jimmy was the last of three Samoyeds dogs that came with us from Denver in 2001, and my 6th Sammie overall. We still have 2, 3 year-old sisters, a Springer Spaniel, and a cat, but there is a big space where Jimmy used to be, and we miss him a lot.

Many thanks to Dr. Bailey and veterinary technician, Vanessa, who will be a top-notch veterinarian; Colleen, Maggie, and everyone at the Animal Care Clinic for their never-ending friendliness and love for the animals in their care.

Thank you,
Bernie Shwayder and Chloe Porter
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