

Key Largo Pirates Fest

The Notorious Pirate Black Caesar and His Pillaging Crew

Return to Key Largo

According to legend, the notorious pirate Black Caesar roved Florida's coastal waters in the early 19th century. Now, some 200 years later, he returns during the Key Largo Pirates Fest from October 21st through 24th.

Black Caesar's Pirates Fest festivities kick off Thursday, October 21st with a Captain Morgan Look-Alike Pirate Plunder Party at Snapper's Restaurant, mile marker 94.5. "Got a little Captain in ya?" then shiver yer timbers and enter the Captain Morgan look alike contest, enjoy special deals on grub n'grog, live music and a Captain Morgan iPod cooler for the winner.

On Friday, October 22nd, the third annual Black Caesar's Pirate Parade will meander its way from Pilot House Restaurant to the Marina del Mar Resort via U.S. 1. Parade participants will gather to register and line up at 5 p.m. at the Pilot House on Seagate Boulevard, the parade will start at 6.30pm and continue along the fabled highway to stage an invasion of Marina del Mar Resort, 527 Caribbean Drive at mile marker 100. Entry to the Parade is free and early entry by Thursday October 21st will earn participants a free event t-shirt. Parade judges will await participants, and prizes will be awarded for Best Individual, Best Couple and Best Float/Vehicle. Winners will be announced at the Pirate Bash poolside at Marina Del Mar where revelers can join parade participants dancing to live music and imbibing in their favorite grub n'grog. Late-night party pirates can head to Coconuts Night Club for an after-the-party party starting

at 10:30 p.m. and extending to the wee hours.

On Saturday October 23rd the festival continues at noon,



Pirates salute Black Caesar's return.



Previous winners of Best Couple Pirate Costume Contest.

at the Sundowners/Senor Frijoles and Jimmy Johnson's Big Chill restaurants, at mile marker 104 bayside. Those eager to come face-to-face with the fearsome pirate, or at least his modern-day stand-in, are likely to do so, and photo opportunities abound as Caesar and his buccaneer brethren are

spotted haunting the Pirate Bazaar and Thieves Market. Continuous entertainment features live pirate shows, black

powder demonstrations, cannons, swordfights and interactive pirate activities for all ages. New this year is the concert on the Bay. Starting at 2pm and continuing into the night, bands will perform on the water from the pirate ship *Queen Anne's Revenge II*. The concert can be viewed from the water's edge at

Sundowners and the Big Chill or join other pirate boats on the water for a pirate raft-up. The pillaging and plundering will intensify as pirates invade Key Largo at sunset in a re-enactment of Black Caesar's return, complete with artillery line, battles and skits on Blackwater Sound. The day's events will culminate in blasts of festive fireworks set for 10 p.m. on Blackwater Sound.

On Sunday, scallywags can take to the high seas for an underwater treasure hunt, above-water Booty Hunt and By-Land-Or-Sea Pirates Poker Run — all open to the public. The Pirate Bazaar and Thieves Market at Sundowners and The Big Chill will be open from 12 noon to 5 pm on Sunday for your pillaging pleasure.

The festival culminates with Sunday's Buccaneer Bash and Finale at Pontunes Marina, Tiki Bar & Grille, mile marker 108 bayside, starting at 4 p.m. Rowdy revelers can expect to find wild-eyed pirates jiving to live music and imbibing the island's best ceviche, grub n' grog. Prizes await kids and adults in Black Caesar's costume contest with adult categories for Best Buccaneer and Sauciest Wench, and under 14 years of age, for Likeliest Lad and Loveliest Lassie. Visiting hoards can also tour the Florida Keys only 105-ft. pirate ship, *Queen Anne's Revenge II* and check out the performance of the Miami Acting Company's very talented cast performing a scene from their upcoming musical *Chicago*.

A complete schedule of events, festival information and entry forms can be found at www.keylargopiratesfest.com or for more information call 305-394-3736.

WINE DINNER!

Reserve Now! Five-course wine dinner on Oct. 21, 2010, at 6pm
National Wine will feature Chilean Wines from The Santa Rita Selection.

MENU:

Roasted Corn & Chorizo Sausage Soup
Wine Selection: Chilean Santa Rosa Carmenera

Grilled Seafood Salad
Wine Selection: Santa Rita Chardonnay

Charbroiled Calamari, Jumbo Shrimp, Sea Scallops and Fresh Mussels
over Frisée, Arugula, Mint, Julienne Tri-Color Peppers,
Red & Yellow Tear Drop Tomatoes, and Mozzarella Fococcia Bread

Watermelon Strawberry Sorbet

Monterey Diver Scallops
Wine Selection: Santa Rita Sauvignon Blanc

Pan Seared Sea Scallops, Tequila Sour Cream, Pico De Gallo,
and Cucumber Linguini with Caraway Soda Bread.

Dessert
Wine Selection: Blue Fish

Layered Du Leche Sweet Paste on Alfajores
(small layers of fresh cake), drizzled with chocolate and
encrusted with toasted coconut.

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reserve ahead!
call 664-8400

Yard Sale Fundraiser

Melanie Burdick Sands and Talia Burdick are having a yard sale benefit on October 9 to help their mother who lost everything in a recent house fire.

For more information see the classified ads on page 22.

Keys-Style Restaurant & Sports Grill

REAL PEOPLE - GREAT FOOD - GOOD TIMES!

MUSIC

Live Music
Monday-Saturday
on the Patio, canal-side

MON: Alan Truesdale • TUE: Dwayne McGregor
WED: Ted Hyde • THU: Paul Moen
FRI: Ted Hyde Band
NEW! SAT: Stereo Underground

FOOD

Breakfast:
Locals Sunrise Special \$2.99
7-9 AM - Eggs, Bacon, Homefries, Toast

Lunch:
Daily Specials Board
Awesome variety; changes every day!

Dinner:
Nightly Specials
Featuring FRESH Fish, Lobster,
Steaks and our famous home cookin'!

HAPPY HOUR

4 to 7 Every Day
\$2 Drafts (20-oz.)
\$2 Dom. Bottles
50¢ Wings • 40¢ Shrimp
\$1 Sliders

SPORTS

Watch Your
Favorite Team
Inside or out... on our 15 TVs

\$5 MOJITO MONDAYS
Classic, Passion Fruit,
or Fresh Berry!

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Wear your Sharkey's Tye Dye for
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THIRSTY THURSDAYS
\$2 for a 20-oz. Bud Select
ALL NIGHT!

SHARKEYS PUB
downstairs

*The best local sports bar with 15
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upstairs

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with inside and outside dining...
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