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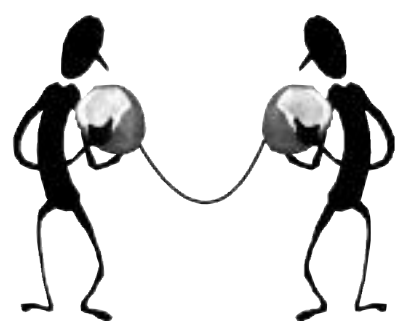
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Editorial:

Bidin' My Time While Marooned at Gilbert's Resort

What do swarms of helicopters, armed vessels, limos, unmarked vehicles, traffic jams and Secret Service have in common? They are all signs the United States Vice President is in Key Largo.

Over President's Day weekend Vice President Joe Biden and his wife Dr. Jill Biden visited Key Largo. They reportedly were staying in a home at Stillwright Point and visiting friends in Ocean Reef.

On Monday, February 21, I moseyed up to Gilbert's to kick back and listen to the music of Dave Bowman there playing solo that day. I could listen to him play guitar all day. It is so soothing. Next up was supposed to be the Steve Venini Band except the only one there was drummer Jimmy McGuirl. The rest of the

band was stuck in traffic while the Bidens were being transported out of the Keys.

All vehicles were stopped going in and out of the Keys as well as boat and air traffic, except for the police helicopters. We heard that there would be a two hour wait but it wasn't very long before traffic opened up. Shortly, Steve Venini arrived along with Nick Charles and his super sax, Steve D. on guitar and Stumpy on percussion to hit the stage and rock the night away. Captain Steve Deatley sat in and entertained us for a couple of songs and then Keys legend Jimmy Hawkins took a turn, sounding better than ever! It's a darn shame the Bidens had to miss it. We sure hope they

enjoyed their stay in Key Largo and will come back and join us because, after all, the Florida Keys is absolutely the best place on earth!



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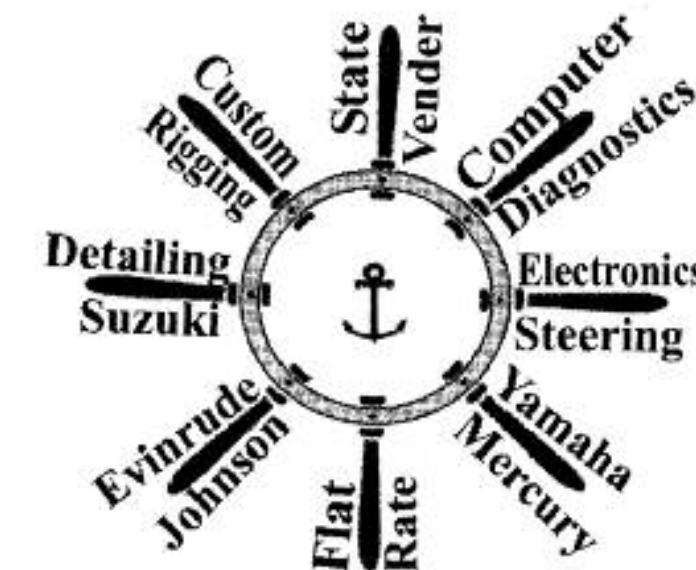
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