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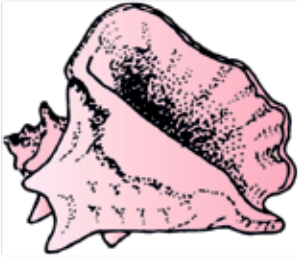
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Can Wrestlin' — A blog by Luke Sommer Glenn

Paradise, not a care in the world. Savoring an Irish whiskey in the coffee, watching the sun poke its head over the palms. The songs of our fine, feathered friends, in natural surround sound as they flit around to and fro earning their morning meal, is about as relaxing as it goes in Key Largo. Personally, I've always preferred a beer and a joint first thing in the morning, these days, though, it's just the joint.

Suddenly, the sounds of the garbage truck reminds me that, oh shit! I do have a care in the world. I missed the three weeks previous collection days so it's imperative that I not forget this time as there is no more room in the can.

It has to be the right can now. No more mismatched garbage cans. We have assigned and accounted for, \$1200 giant, 96-gallon cans. The size that was previously rejected as too large and would not be picked up by the garbage people. Actually, these are even bigger and larger, more like a commercial size than residential.

If you're a weekender, with a large group and have young people around to haul out the trash and pull the can to the curb, they're great. But if you're an older person, or a shorter person, somebody with a limited range of motion, so on and so forth; these giant cans are a pain in the ass.

The instructions on the top of lid say to keep the lid shut and latched, if you can find the slitted slot on the

bottom of the lip on the can. After they are emptied, they are frequently left opened. A sudden summer shower downpour can fill these an eighth of the way up in no time. The only way to deal with it is to shove it over and let all the garbage water run to the lowest point, forming a nasty little puddle my little dog is too happy to drink from.

I saw one of my older lady neighbors push the garbage can over so that the lid flipped open. She slid her little bag of garbage into the can, and

struggled to lift it back up. By the time she got it to the curb, the little dog and I had arrived just in time to be too late to be of any help. She lamented the fact that her old can was a quarter of the size and that they would not pick it up anymore forcing her to use the giant beast of a can. The can is almost as tall as she is.

The part-timers down the street left garbage in the wrong container and it has been rotting curbside since they left the neighborhood. At least the stank will be gone when they get

Custom cans, Monroe County. Holds a month's worth garbage for two people. We were issued two of them. The other is kept safe in the shed for storm season.

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back. Garbage has its peak gross phase and if you wait that out it's not as bad, same as a rotting fish or a dead cat under the trailer.

And you can't blame the garbage guys for not picking stuff up because the trucks have cameras mounted on them and if they get caught violating company policy they can get written up and possibly terminated.

The expectation of privacy is totally gone in the modern era. Can't even throw your shit away without it being digitally filmed and cataloged. It wouldn't surprise me if they had them wearing body cameras. They have Walmart employees wearing body cams, the same kind the police wear.

The cans even came with legalese explaining the homeowner is responsible if the cans are lost, stolen or damaged. And then you watch the garbage guys beat the shit out of it against the garbage truck. I've seen them open the can, reach in and grab the garbage bag out and throw it in the truck rather than wrestle with the can themselves.

So, for the love of Jesus-cristo, my 5-foot-tall wife, my tendinitis, arthritis, bursitis, lumbago, carpal tunnel and rheumitiz, and all my elderly neighbors and friends, can we get a senior-friendly effing garbage can? Please!

Thank you for your attention to this matter!



Honeybee on dill flower. Herbs and other edibles are a great addition to a pollinator garden.

“No shoes, no shirt, no problems” to quote a Kenny Chesney song rather sums up how summer feels in the Keys. Besides that, wearing no shoes connects us with the earth. My friend says barefoot walking in the grass allows the wifi waves we absorb from our electronic devices to leave our body. Hmm... I'll go with that.

While musing on the benefits of barefoot walking... Yoweee... a sharp stabbing pain emanates from my big



Close up view of the pollinator house before hanging. Thanks Denise! for the cute plastic bee decoration.

toe. I must have just gotten stung by a bee! Not to worry, I'm not allergic to bees, just a bit of pain now, some swelling later on. There is an old saying that beekeepers never have arthritis since bee venom has anti-inflammatory properties. Guess it is my lucky day... you can create a positive spin on anything.

Ironically I got stung while walking in the future site of a butterfly and pollinator garden... a suddenly sunny patch in my front yard created by the removal of a dead tree. It's a perfect space for a pollinator/butterfly garden, whose plants require 6+ hours of sun per day. The more sun, the more active the garden will be.

Though butterflies are the poster children of pollinator gardening, birds, bats, moths, flies, beetles, wasps, small mammals and bees can all be pollinators. They visit flowers to drink nectar or feed from the pollen, then move pollen between male and female plants, fertilizing the flower's eggs, which then produce seeds to create a new generation.

Pick a site where there is well-drained soil, and access to water to establish and maintain the plants, and for the

pollinators to drink... a saucer filled with stones and water will do. Choose plants that attract pollinators, selecting plants with different colors and shapes, that will bloom during different months, to provide for a year-round habitat.

When we think of bees, we think of the European honey bee that nests in beehive colonies. At the other end of the spectrum, native bees are solitary nesters that build their nests inside available nesting holes. Mason bees love tubular homes. Leafcutter bees snip bits of leaves to line their nests. Carpenter bees carve their nests out of wood. Paper wasps build umbrella-shaped nests that hang underneath limbs or on your home's fascia.

Like all living things, pollinators need a place to rest and some might appreciate a little house. Building a pollinator house is a creative project utilizing recycled materials such as



The Spanish moth is attracted to members of the spider lily family, chewing on leaves, bulbs and rhizomes.

scraps of wood and dead bamboo stalks. They are called pollinator houses because pollinators visit them, but they are actually pollinator nurseries, because solitary bees use the holes for a place to deposit their eggs. The bee selects a perfect sized hole, typically around 3/8," then collects pollen and nectar to place in the tube, on which she lays one egg on top of the mixture. The eggs hatch and the larva eat the pollen mixture. When the time is right the larva pupate, and remain in that state until the following spring, when they emerge to start the process over again.

So worth it! Plant the plants, attract the pollinators, provide food and

Butterfly and Pollinator Garden... CONTINUED - *Photos by Carol Ellis*



A frame made of scrap wood, bamboo stalk pieces, blocks of wood with drilled holes, and a glue gun are all you need to construct a pollinator house from recycled materials. Get creative!

housing for them, and the cycle continues. My initial choice of plants may not be perfect, but with observation, adjustments and time, the garden will become a thing of beauty.

Here's how I am planning the garden: since sun is a very important factor, I want to make sure that no plant gets too large to shade out any area. A good rule of thumb is to select one tree, two shrubs, one vine, and three wildflowers or grasses for a small garden. If more room is available, increase the number of plants at the same ratio. Plant in groupings for the most impact, and to reduce the appearance of leaf damage when the caterpillars are munching.

Think about what will bring you the most joy... and plant with that in mind. Hummingbirds are attracted to the tubular flowers of the following plants: Red firespike, Pineapple sage, Purple passionflower vine, Aloe vera, Firebush, Necklacepod, Coral honeysuckle vine,



Pollinator house with blocks of wood attached and a few bamboo stalks. The house is taking shape!

Bahama strongbark (tree) and Little strongbark (small tree or shrub).

Bees like Sunshine mimosa, Portulaca, African blue basil, Purple passionflower, Necklacepod, Fiddlewood, Greenheart, Soldierwood, and Star jasmine vine.

Butterflies like Pentas (pink, red or white are most appealing), Sunshine mimosa, Butterfly weed (Asclepius tuberosa is native), Giant milkweed, Corky stemmed passionflower, Bahama cassia, Beautyberry, Blue porterweed,

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Jatropha, Plumbago, Scorpiontail, Wild sage, Zinnia, Sunflowers, Red firespike, Balloon vine, and Purple passionflower to name a few. The Key West morning glory (Skyblue clustervine) attracts the sphinx moth.

For birds, you want plants that produce fruit such as Shiny leaf wild coffee, Satinleaf, Soldierwood, Bahama Strongbark, Little Strongbark, and Beautyberry.

The above plant suggestions are natives/or friendly additions for the Florida Keys, which is Zone 11. They are low maintenance once established, have fewer pests and diseases and the native pollinators will flock to your yard.

Don't be a member of the more-dollars-than-sense crowd who would rather throw money at a problem than understand the root cause. Broad-spectrum insecticides should never be used. They kill a large group of insects, including good pollinators as well.



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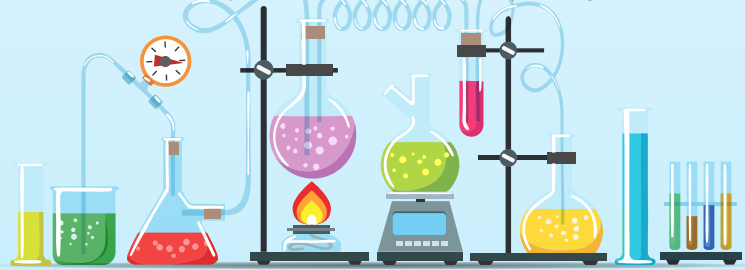
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When Community is Your Life: Cary Reyes

by Karen Beal

By the age of 22, Caridad "Cary" Reyes was working in Cuba as a journalist for a newspaper, transitioned to TV and even did some radio work. She left her home in Cuba at 33 leaving her job as an assistant professor at a university to bring her family to the Keys. That was 1996 and she hit the ground at full speed. She worked several jobs in tandem because her professional teaching certifications did not transfer to her new country. In 2000 she found her niche working at the Key Largo Library.

Cary understood the Keys community structure. Teaching and the value of education were engrained from her past life. Her two sons graduated from Coral Shores High School and later from FIU. Over that time she became the first smiling face as you entered the library and very often the one-stop answer to your questions. If you ask Cary what was her favorite part of her job at the library, she seriously can't answer with fewer than seven items before she pauses for a moment's thought or breath. Community engagement and recommending local resources. Starting a computer class when laptops were new technology which morphed into personalized tech help on whatever device or app was needed. Creating exciting Summer Reading Programs that inspire kids to read lots of books to win prizes. Offering STEM programs to teach science, technology, engineering and math to children. Working



Cary's smile and willing help will be missed by so many in our community. We thank Cary for a quarter century of excellent service.




Christina Teasdale, former Branch Manager at Key Largo Library, with Cary. Christina's position was also eliminated in the recent budget cuts.

with local artists to create vibrant exhibits that are free to the community. Engaging musicians and hosting the First Friday Concert Series. (Pause for breath.) It was a shock to many when Cary's position was one of 40 County jobs that were cut in a recent budget meeting. Twenty-five years of loving service to the community was ended abruptly and once again Cary felt like she had lost her community ties. In typical fashion she was concerned that her many patrons and friends would be

worried about her. She asked us to let them know here that she has a new job at a private school in Homestead, near where she lives, and she will be able to work part time doing substitute teaching and creating their new school library from the ground up! Once you have been bitten by the teaching bug, I suppose there is no cure. Cary, your smile and help will be missed by so many in our community. We thank you for a quarter century of excellent service.

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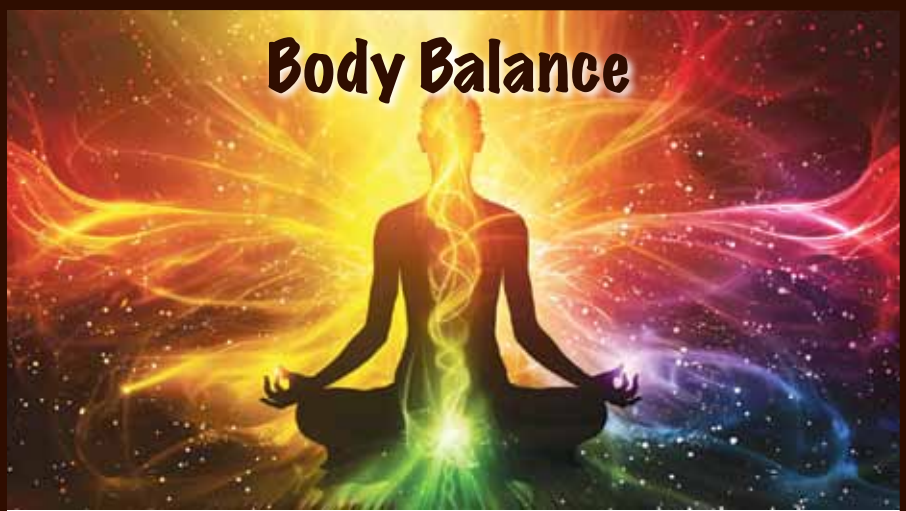
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Intuition, feelings, openness, and unselfishness govern the feminine side of our natures. The masculine side is characterized by logic, facts, systems, and self-interest. If you are giving too much to others to the detriment of yourself, your feminine side may be overactive and your right side may need strengthening, to speak up on your behalf, protecting and conserving your energy. If your life is too rigidly structured, your masculine aspect

may be overactive; develop- ing your feminine aspect will bring a more open-ended and creative approach.

Maintaining harmony between the left side and the right side, the feminine and masculine, is a key to wholeness. We can foster awareness of our own rela- tive state of balance by tuning in to our bodies. When you close your eyes and scan your body, what do you see? You may find that most of your ailments, from acne to muscle tension, occur on the left side of your body. This might indicate that your feminine aspect is out of balance in some way.

Similarly, if you notice a lot of tension in your right shoulder, perhaps your masculine side is overtaxed or weakened. Just noticing an imbalance is the beginning of healing it. Some imbal- ances may be long-standing, and it may take time to bring your system into equilibrium. Remember to be gentle with yourself and listen to your body. Over time, this can guide you to a dynamic state of inner and outer balance.

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Community Arts and Culture Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

Miami's premier Cuban folk music ambassadors Cortadito will celebrate the release of their new album The Guajiro Triangle and honor Cuban music icons the Buena Vista Social Club on Saturday, September 13, 2025 at Florida Keys Brewing Company (81611 Old Highway, Islamorada, FL 33036) beginning at 6 p.m. The following afternoon, Fusión Vayu will represent Colombian folk music in all of its colorful variations, with selections from DJ Supa Kundukta beginning at 3 p.m. Both concerts are free and open to all ages, to be held in the Beer Garden, and are presented by the Miami non-profit Community Arts and Culture (CAC).

"Hispanic Heritage Month is a time to showcase our hispanidad, and we're excited to be presenting Cortadito and Fusión Vayu to Latin music fans in and around Islamorada," says CAC Founder and Executive Director Jose Elias. "We thank the Florida Keys Brewing Company and our fans in Monroe County for their continued support." Elias is also Cortadito's co-founder and tresero.

Since its origins thirteen years ago, the award-winning Cortadito has evolved into one of the torchbearers of a pop culture phenomenon that is two centuries strong. A traditional folk and acoustic band that focuses on performing one of the earliest styles of Cuban country music known as Son

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(pronounced sOwn), their sound can best be described as reminiscent of the famed Buena Vista Social Club.

The band has just released a third album single called "Guajira En La Madrugada", written by the late Alberto Pantaleon Hernandez and features guest vocals by the Havana powerhouse Aymée Nuviola. The first two album singles, "A Yemayá" (with Nestor Torres) and "Aquí Te Traigo Me Son" have been well received by critics and fans alike, amassing new followers and thousands of views and streams. The band will have vinyl copies of The Guajiro Triangle for sale at the event.

Cortadito was recently featured on NPR's Alt Latino podcast and is gaining momentum in various foreign markets like Mexico, Colombia, France, and Spain. The September 13th show will be the first stop of their regional tour which also includes dates in Central Florida and North Carolina.

Comprised of members of Group Barrio Abajo, Fusión Vayo plays the folkloric music of the Caribbean Colombia by using traditional percussion instruments and flutes, with modern instruments, presenting styles such as bullerengue, porro, chandé, and more than 30 other unparalleled musical rhythms. Globally, their home country is known for cumbia and vallenato, but these are just two parts of their musically diverse heritage.

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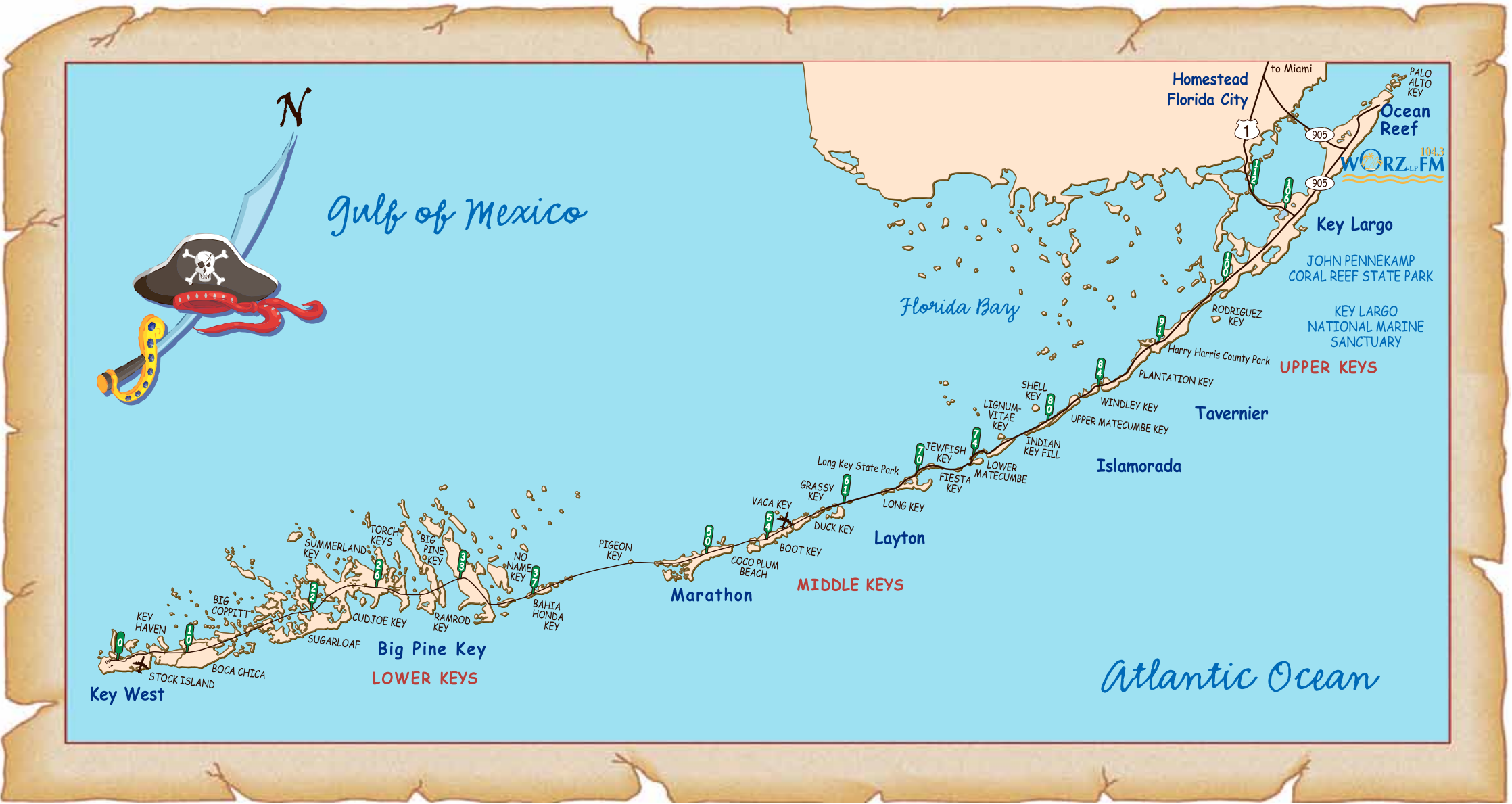
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Ruby Stern known as "Miss Ruby", was the matriarch of Downtown Card Sound. She was a familiar site to travelers across Card Sound bridge.

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On the shirt back is Carol's image of Ruby Stern, matriarch of Downtown Card Sound Road, a place that doesn't exist on any map... yet was home to a community of free spirits, fishermen and independent thinkers who took up residence there. Located on the west side of the road south of Alabama Jack's, and the toll booth, the shack was originally built by workers who constructed the toll bridge around 1968. In 1972 Ruby moved in and lived there for 27 years. She'd sit on the steps of her shack, with an old Colt 44 daring anyone to throw her off the land. She stayed. Not even the destructive forces of hurricane Andrew and the county's condemnation of the shack could send her from her spot on the bay on Card Sound. She moved to a trailer alongside and lived there until 1999 when she had to leave due to illness, and died at age 90.

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9. County air travel on Silver Airlines out of Key West.
8. Etch-a-Sketches instead of tablet devices at libraries.
7. Employee camping privileges at Ft. Zachary Taylor beach.
6. Parks & beaches crews no longer have to write love letters in the sand.
5. Medical personnel on all EMS crews will now be trainees in sexy nurse's costumes.
4. Employee bonus this year is a Bertie Higgins album of "Key Largo."
3. Cancel the Grinch's special detail at Christmas.
2. Collect bags of paper clips from all the bank drive thru windows, ask for pens too.
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September Events & Programs at Key Largo Library

The Key Largo Branch of the Monroe County Library System is hosting the following programs this month. All programs are free and open to the public. Program funding provided by the Friends of the Key Largo Library and the Florida Keys Children's Foundation. Visit KeysLibraries.org for books, streaming movies, ebooks, events and more.

KEY LARGO BRANCH LIBRARY • TRADEWINDS SHOPPING CENTER AT MM 101.4 OCEANSIDE

NEW HOURS for Key Largo Branch Library:
Open 9 am • Closed 6 pm Monday-Friday
and 5 pm on Saturday.

SPECIAL EVENTS

September 2, 3:30-5:30pm
LEGO Club:
Challenge: One-Hand Mode (Build something using only one hand!) Ages 6 - 11, All supplies provided.



September 3, 9am-12pm
1st Wednesday Plant Clinic
Master Gardener Volunteers will be at the Key Largo Library to answer your gardening/landscape queries.



September 4, 3:30-4:30pm
3D-Printing/Adult Intro Class
Welcome 3D-Printing to the Key Largo Library. The 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month join us for a tutorial on how the machine functions. Examine both it and the materials that have been made with it up close and put your request in to have an item of your own printed! As you become more familiar with the process, we will show you how to design your own personal files to bring in for us to print.

Monthly Community Group Meetings:
1st Sat.: Florida Keys Quilters



September 5, 2-3:30pm
NAMI Suicide Prevention
This is a FREE evidenced-based suicide prevention training. Attendees will learn how to identify warning signs, how to intervene and persuade the at-risk individual into getting help as well as where to refer them to appropriate resources. Attendees will receive a certification with attendance.
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September 10, 3:30-5:30pm
STEM Lab
Participate in STEM activities. All supplies provided. Ages 8-11.

September 11, 2pm - 4pm
Adult Craft, to be announced. Visit the web for more info: KeysLibraries.org/events

September 11, 3:30-4:30pm
3D-Printing/Kids Intro Class
See Sept. 4 Adult Class description for more info.

September 12 - 13, All Day
Mini Quilt Show in the Community Room

September 12, 4-5:30pm
Gaming Groupies
Level up your gaming skills and make memories that will last a lifetime at the Key Largo Library! Connect with fellow gamers as you compete in thrilling tournaments. Join us for non-stop action, mind-bending puzzles, and unforgettable multiplayer mayhem. Recommended Age: 6 - 12

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month

Let your imagination sing at the library.

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September 16, 3:30-5:30pm
LEGO Club:
Challenge: Fidget Spinners
Ages 6 - 11, All Supplies Provided.

September 24, 3:30-5:30pm
STEM Lab
Participate in STEM activities. All supplies provided. Ages 8-11.

Sept. 24, 10:30am - 12:30pm
Homeschool Meet Up
Bring a lunch. Be prepared to get messy. And most importantly, come willing to share ideas and express how the Key Largo Library can best serve your family!

September 26, 4-5:30pm
Gaming Groupies
See Sept. 12 for more info.

COME TAKE A CLASS!
The Key Largo Library has a variety of offerings, ranging from Book Club and Arts & Crafts for adults to LEGOS and STEM programs. Scan the code to see the complete schedule.



WEEKLY EVENTS

Story Time
Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:30am for ages 0-5.



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Sanction - To permit or to penalize
Dust - To remove dust or to sprinkle dust
Left - Departed from or remaining behind
Seed - To plant seeds or to remove seeds
Oversight - Careful supervision or an error from neglect
Weather - To withstand (as in "weather a storm") or to erode
Bound - Going somewhere or tied/restricted from going
Clip - To attach or to cut off
Trim - To decorate or to remove excess
Cleave - To split apart or to cling together
Dusting - Removing dust or sprinkling powder
Fast - Quick or firmly fixed (immobile)
Apology - An expression of regret or a defense/justification
Strike - To hit or to miss (as in baseball)
Bolt - To secure in place or to flee quickly
Resign - To quit a job or to sign again
Finished - Completed or destroyed (as in "you're finished!")
Execute - To carry out (a task) or to kill
Screen - To display or to hide (as in screening a movie vs. screening from the sun)
Model - A replica to copy or an example to avoid
Trimmed - Decorated or reduced
Dusty - Covered with dust or lightly powdered
Sick - Ill or awesome (slang)


Go - To proceed or to collapse (e.g., "The engine just went")
Left off - Started again where you stopped, or excluded
Ravel - To tangle or to untangle
Out - Visible (e.g., stars are out) or invisible (lights are out)
Off - Not functioning or activated (e.g., "The alarm went off")
Lease - To rent out or to rent from someone
Oversight - Careful management or missed detail
Peer - Equal or to look closely
Out of - Lacking or originating from (e.g., "out of love")
Strike down - Nullify (a law) or enforce (striking down dissent)
Wind up - To end or to get started (as in winding up a toy)
Throw out - To discard or to propose (e.g., an idea)
Scour - To search thoroughly or to scrub vigorously
Weathered - Withstood or worn down by exposure
Flog - To promote aggressively or to beat severely
Dust-off - To clean or to reuse something old
Stone - To pelt with stones or to remove stones (as in fruit)
Disciplined - Well-behaved or punished
Trip - To stumble or to travel
Consult - To offer advice or to ask for it
Trim down - To slim (reduce) or to enhance appearance
Pop - To suddenly appear or disappear
Blunt - To dull or to speak sharply
Hold up - To support or to delay

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On the seventh day, God tried to rest, but the cat woke him up at 5:00 AM.

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An older gentleman had 50 yard line tickets for the Super Bowl.

As he sat down, he noticed that the seat next to him was empty. He asked the man on the other side of the empty seat whether anyone was sitting there.

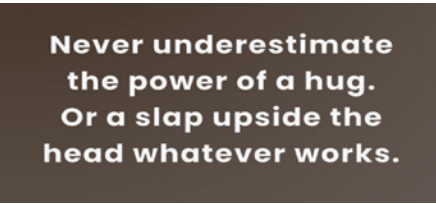
“No, the man replied - the seat is empty.”

“This is incredible,” said the first man. “Who in their right mind would have a seat like this for the Super Bowl, the biggest sporting event in the world and not use it?”

The second man replied; “Well, actually, the seat belongs to me - I was supposed to come with my wife, but she passed away. This will be the first Super Bowl we haven’t been together since we got married in 1967.”

“Oh, I’m sorry to hear that - that’s terrible. But couldn’t you find someone else - a friend or relative, or even a neighbor to take the seat?”

The man shook his head - “No, they’re all at the funeral.”



my daughter asked why she can't just quit school and i told her it's against the law and they'll put me in jail and my sweet sweet child looked me in the eye and said "i'll visit you"



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Me: Bathroom is cleaned.

Wife: Thank you.

Me: Why do we keep the toilet brush in the shower?

Wife: What?

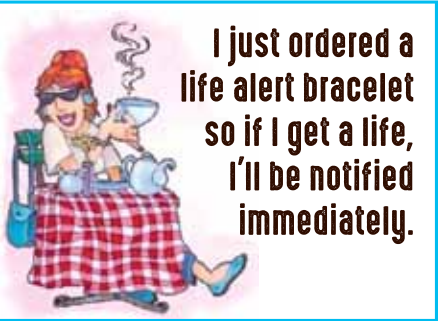
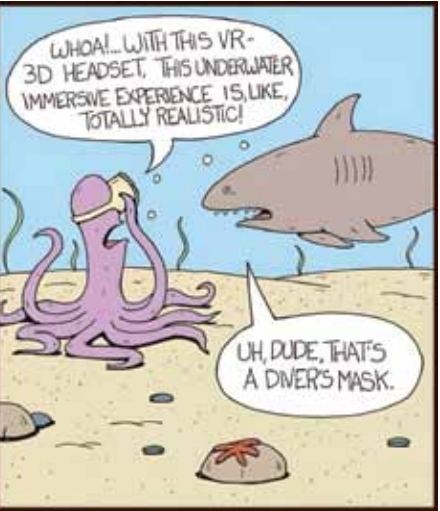
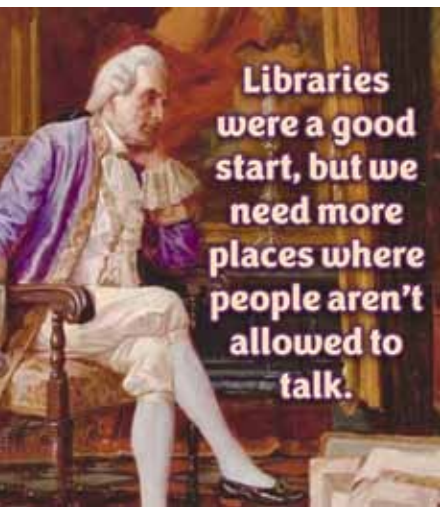
Me: Why is the toilet brush in the shower?

Wife: What the hell are you talking about?

Me: The puffy thing with the handle.

Wife: MY LOOFAH?!

Me: You named the toilet brush?



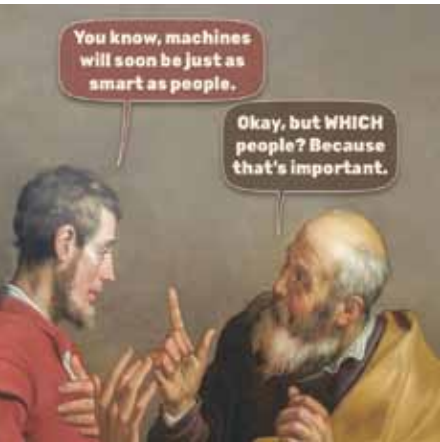
When the bus arrives, they find it overloaded and only the wife and the nine kids are able to fit onto the bus. So the husband and the blind man decide to walk.

After a while, the husband gets irritated by the ticking of the stick of the blind man as he taps it on the sidewalk, and says to him, "Why don't you put a piece of rubber at the end of your stick? That ticking sound is driving me crazy."

The blind man replies, "If you had put a rubber at the end of YOUR stick, we'd be riding the bus, so shut up."



If really good-looking people are "eye candy" I guess that puts me somewhere around the "eye broccoli" category.



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I had a phone conversation today with a very nice young chap from Pakistan. This is how it went:

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“I’m very well, thank you for asking. And how are you?”

And, more to the point, WHO are you?”

“Sir, my name is Sanjit, and I’m calling you from Microsoft”.

“Microsoft, eh? Is that a city in Pakistan? How’s the weather there today?”

“No, sir - MICROSOFT, the computer company. I’m calling to tell you that we have found a problem with your computer and -”

“REALLY?? Well, that’s quite concerning!”

“Yes sir, it can become very serious indeed, but thankfully I will be able to fix it for you. Now, if you -”

“No, I meant it’s very concerning because you see I don’t HAVE a computer”.

“You don’t?”

“I don’t”.

“Ahh, it must be a problem on your laptop sir -”

“Don’t have one”.

“Ipad?”

“Nope”.

“Tablet?”

“Nope, I have none of those things. As a matter of fact,

I don’t even have a telephone”.

After a few seconds of silence he said “Ah, sir, you are lying to me now!”

I said “Well, you started it!!” and put the phone down.



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Frank Conklin at the Key Largo Volunteer Fire Museum accepted scrapbooks from the early days of the Key Largo Volunteer Ambulance. Chief/Paramedic Doris Kemp started the collection in 1970s and it archives the growth from a Basic Life Support (BLS) service to being the first volunteer Advanced Life Support (ALS) department certified by the state. Julia Waterman, Kemp's granddaughter, donated the scrapbooks to the museum.



The parents and kids at KL Library were treated to a lively concert by Didgeridoo Down Under - an "artful adventure to the land down under!"



Keys Jewish Community Center Centenarian Miriam "Mickey" Frankel Receives Honorary Conch Award from Holly Raschein.



Captain Robin Frick, Sandbar Time Charters 305-731-9505.



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This Month's Live Entertainment and Events at the Lorelei						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 MONDAY SEPT. 1	1 <i>Live Music and Waterfront Dining</i>	2 <i>Live Music and Waterfront Dining</i>	3 <i>Live Music and Waterfront Dining</i>	4 <i>Live Music and Waterfront Dining</i>	5 Carousers 5:30-9:30	6 Uncle Rico 5:30-9:30
7 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30	8 <i>Open for Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner • 7am-10pm</i> <i>Enjoy breakfast on the deck overlooking the water.</i>	9 <i>Open for Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner • 7am-10pm</i> <i>Enjoy breakfast on the deck overlooking the water.</i>	10 <i>Open for Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner • 7am-10pm</i> <i>Enjoy breakfast on the deck overlooking the water.</i>	11 <i>Open for Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner • 7am-10pm</i> <i>Enjoy breakfast on the deck overlooking the water.</i>	12 Brothers of Others 5:30-9:30	13 Abstract Radio 5:30-9:30
14 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30	15 <i>Lunch & Dinner • on the deck or on the beach.</i>	16 <i>Lunch & Dinner • on the deck or on the beach.</i>	17 <i>Lunch & Dinner • on the deck or on the beach.</i>	18 <i>Lunch & Dinner • on the deck or on the beach.</i>	19 Carousers 5:30-9:30	20 Shindig 5:30-9:30
21 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30	22 <i>Happy Hour 7 days • 4-6pm • Drink Specials and a variety of low-priced munchies</i>	23 <i>Happy Hour 7 days • 4-6pm • Drink Specials and a variety of low-priced munchies</i>	24 <i>Happy Hour 7 days • 4-6pm • Drink Specials and a variety of low-priced munchies</i>	25 <i>Happy Hour 7 days • 4-6pm • Drink Specials and a variety of low-priced munchies</i>	26 Uncle Rico 5:30-9:30	27 Abstract Radio 5:30-9:30
28 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30	"SUNDAY SCHOOL" \$3 Bloody Marys, Mimosas & Screwdrivers every Sunday, 7 to 11 am		Lorelei can host private parties, weddings and rehearsal dinners. See our website for details.			



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