

GO FLY A KITE

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In case anyone thought otherwise, during this time of mostly-universal hibernation and “social distancing”, I had already thought of an alternate “coping mechanism” for the retention of my own sanity while on lockdown! Go fly a kite? You bet! So, I ordered and received one from Amazon. Unfortunately, since then, there has not been enough wind to fly it on the grounds of the Kissimmee Bay Country Club where I reside; in fact, today it is rather cold, rainy, & gloomy. Nevertheless, I remain confident that brighter (and hopefully windier) days will present themselves so that I can indeed go fly my kite. In the meantime, I am happy to learn that I haven’t been too far off base –according to a photo of a Florida sign, as follows.

What the heck, as the COVID crisis continues if kite flying can keep any of us out of the “looney bin” during the virtual total shutdown of our country, then most any “shrink” who has any credibility at all, would certainly advise you to “go for it”! So, if you haven’t already done so, get yourself a kite at your earliest opportunity! However, I completely understand that for my golf-enthusiast friends, as an alternate to kite flying, I/they may simply prefer to play more golf under less-crowded conditions! Whatever it takes to find contentedness under our current crisis, I think with faith and cohesiveness amongst everyone in the world, we will defeat the COVID-19 virus that is currently inflicting great harm on our economies and very livelihoods! So, in the meantime, kite flying can indeed be a “brain saving” exercise!



A newly-erected Florida sign