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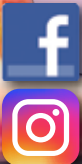


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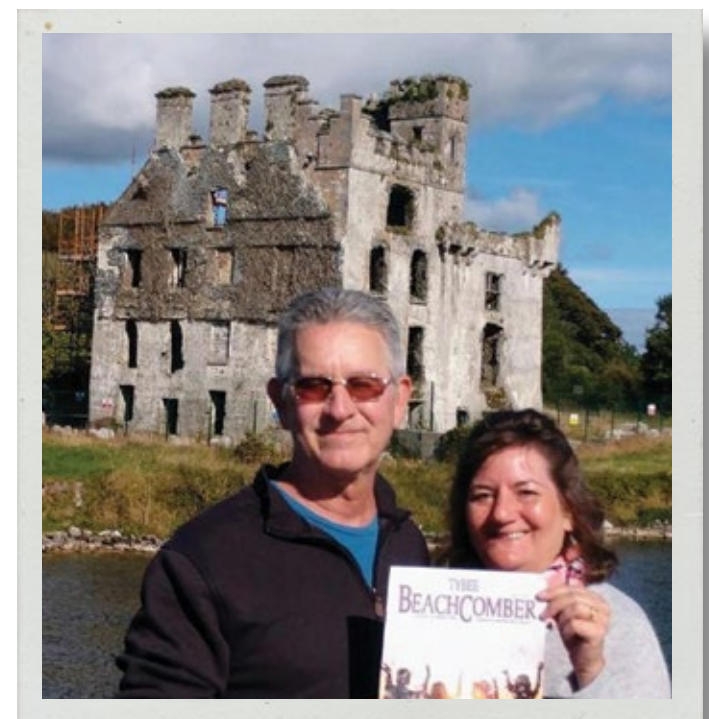
From MS...ALAIN...EOUS

At last!! March has arrived and it is time to dust off your beads, boas and tailfeathers and get ready to shake your ass down Butler! Yippee! Not only party time, but weather improvement time and downloading that all important Vitamin D is going to make all of our winter blahs go away. I will see you at the parade starting line on the 9th hanging out with the Junkanoo tribe!

Other than that, it's season time ladies and gentlemen. Let's all take a collective deep breath! It's going to be great!

Oddly enough, Easter falls on March 31st this year. Y'all know what that means! Our **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** is happening right now! Rick has hidden 50 eggs between the front inside cover and the back page. Send your guesses (don't overthink it – just number of eggs on each page will do) to info@tybeebeachcomber.com or text to (912) 675-5261 on or before March 15th and you will be entered into a drawing to win a fabulous dinner at Sundae Café!

This month's **Traveling Beachcomber** does not disappoint and is submitted by **Vic and Beverly Weaver** who went to my favorite country. Here they are at Menlo Castle in Galway, Ireland! Thank you so much Weaver family for taking us with you on your travels! Let's go to A-J's and get our food and drink on! Now off we go! Make me a cocktail and turn the page ...



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March 2024 Tide Chart

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2	Sat	12:24	7.2	12:51	6.4	7:12	1.1	7:09	0.7	6:47	6:23	☾
3	Sun	1:18	7.2	1:47	6.3	8:10	1.3	8:08	0.8	6:46	6:24	☾
4	Mon	2:20	7.2	2:49	6.3	9:18	1.3	9:18	0.7	6:45	6:25	☾
5	Tue	3:28	7.4	3:55	6.5	10:27	1.0	10:30	0.4	6:43	6:25	☾
6	Wed	4:39	7.7	5:03	7.0	11:30	0.5	11:37	-0.1	6:42	6:26	☾
7	Thu	5:46	8.2	6:06	7.6			12:27	-0.1	6:41	6:27	☾
8	Fri	6:45	8.7	7:03	8.3	12:39	-0.7	1:20	-0.7	6:40	6:28	☾
9	Sat	7:38	9.1	7:55	8.9	1:36	-1.3	2:10	-1.3	6:39	6:28	☾
10	Sun	9:28	9.3	9:45	9.3	3:30	-1.6	3:59	-1.7	7:37	7:29	☾
11	Mon	10:16	9.2	10:35	9.5	4:22	-1.8	4:46	-1.8	7:36	7:30	☾
12	Tue	11:05	8.8	11:24	9.4	5:13	-1.6	5:31	-1.6	7:35	7:31	☾
13	Wed	11:55	8.3			6:03	-1.2	6:17	-1.3	7:34	7:31	☾
14	Thu	12:16	9.1	12:48	7.7	6:54	-0.6	7:05	-0.7	7:32	7:32	☾
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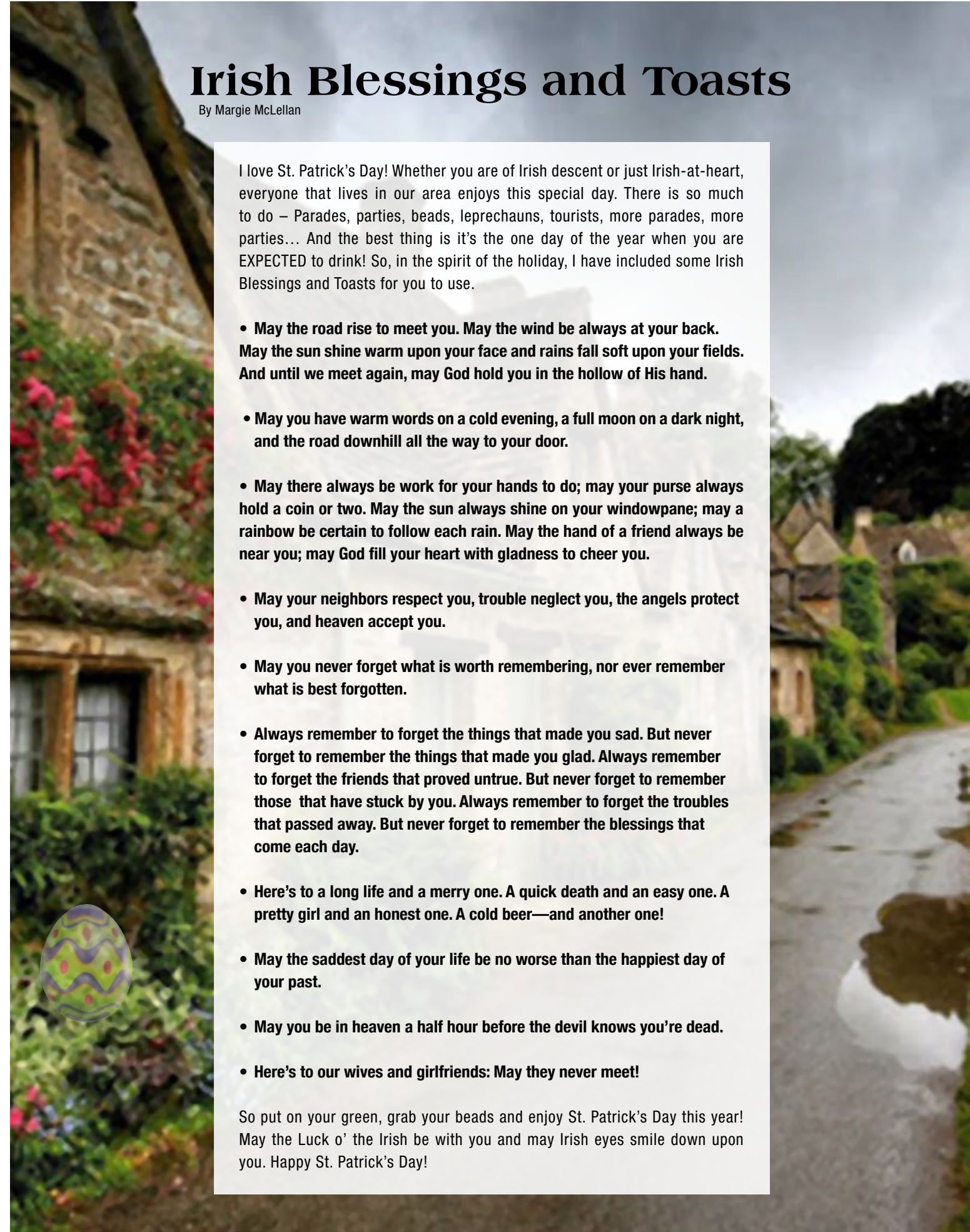
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Irish Blessings and Toasts

By Margie McLellan

I love St. Patrick's Day! Whether you are of Irish descent or just Irish-at-heart, everyone that lives in our area enjoys this special day. There is so much to do – Parades, parties, beads, leprechauns, tourists, more parades, more parties... And the best thing is it's the one day of the year when you are EXPECTED to drink! So, in the spirit of the holiday, I have included some Irish Blessings and Toasts for you to use.

- **May the road rise to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face and rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the hollow of His hand.**
- **May you have warm words on a cold evening, a full moon on a dark night, and the road downhill all the way to your door.**
- **May there always be work for your hands to do; may your purse always hold a coin or two. May the sun always shine on your windowpane; may a rainbow be certain to follow each rain. May the hand of a friend always be near you; may God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.**
- **May your neighbors respect you, trouble neglect you, the angels protect you, and heaven accept you.**
- **May you never forget what is worth remembering, nor ever remember what is best forgotten.**
- **Always remember to forget the things that made you sad. But never forget to remember the things that made you glad. Always remember to forget the friends that proved untrue. But never forget to remember those that have stuck by you. Always remember to forget the troubles that passed away. But never forget to remember the blessings that come each day.**
- **Here's to a long life and a merry one. A quick death and an easy one. A pretty girl and an honest one. A cold beer—and another one!**
- **May the saddest day of your life be no worse than the happiest day of your past.**
- **May you be in heaven a half hour before the devil knows you're dead.**
- **Here's to our wives and girlfriends: May they never meet!**

So put on your green, grab your beads and enjoy St. Patrick's Day this year! May the Luck o' the Irish be with you and may Irish eyes smile down upon you. Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Beach Walks with Dr. Joe

By Dr. Joe Richardson

TYBEE'S SEA ANEMONES

Tybee's rock jetties are one of my favorite habitats to explore because of the variety of animals and seaweeds that live there, requiring a solid structure for attachment and survival. Within this community, you will see some dark brown, roundish blobs attached to the rocks among the oysters. Usually, they are back in the crevices and cracks. Those soft, brown blobs are one of the types of Sea Anemones that we find on Tybee.

Anemones are very simple. The body is like a cup, with its base attached to something hard (rock or shell) and with its opening at top. The opening is surrounded by tentacles. Anemones use their tentacles to capture food and pull it into its mouth. Digestion occurs down inside the cup, in an area called its gastrovascular cavity. An Anemone can regulate the amount of water in the cavity, so its body size can range from short to long. It can also shorten its tentacles, withdraw them inward, and close its opening, to help from drying out during low tide.

Those dark brown ones in the rock jetties are Warty Sea Anemones. They live strongly attached back in the crevices, cracks, and even hanging on the underside of rocks in the mid and low intertidal zone. During low tide, it looks like a dark brown, wet blob because its tentacles are withdrawn to help keep from drying out. If attached to the underside of a rock, it might be elongated and hanging down a few inches, as if stretching downward trying to reach a tide pool below. Underwater in a tide pool, its tentacles will be extended, and it will look like an Anemone is supposed to look. If you can reach it, gently put your finger on its tentacles and feel how they will stick to you. It doesn't sting. It's soft, with no protection, so if you touch it, do it gently.

Also on the rock jetties are the very small, inconspicuous, Orange-striped Anemone. They are tiny, bright green and attached to Oyster shells in the mid intertidal zone. They are easily overlooked because they are so small. When



the tide is out and they are exposed, they will be closed up and look like small splatters of lime Jello scattered on oyster shells. But when submerged, they will open up and spread their green tentacles.

A third type of Anemone we find on Tybee is the Tri-color Anemone (aka Hermit Crab Anemone). They often have broad vertical brown and beige bands along their side, but their mouth is usually very bright orange or pink. They like to attach to shells being used by Hermit Crabs. But they will also attach to objects drifting around in the water (Rubbery Bryozoans, Whelk egg cases, even plastic trash). On Tybee, they will wash ashore and look like a brown lump attached to something else. If you find one, put it in some seawater and usually within a few minutes it will open up, spread its tentacles, and you can see its colorful mouth.

Dr. Joe Richardson is a retired marine science professor with 45+ years of research and teaching experience along GA and the southeastern coast and Bahamas. Besides research, he conducts Tybee Beach Ecology Trips (www.TybeeBeachEcology.com) and frequently posts pictures of what they are finding on his Tybee Beach Ecology Trips Facebook page.

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TOP 10 MAR. SONG LIST

By D.J. AMP

A woman was a huge Beach Boys fan so she went and had two capital Bs tattooed on either side of her bum. She proudly bent over to show her husband, and he asked, "Who the heck is Bob?"

Ya know, I've never met a guy named Bob that I did not like. Including our own Bob-0 on Tybee, our corn hole master and all around nice guy!

And speaking of Bobs, I played an outdoor local festival for the 4th of July with my band at Good Ol Days in Atlanta in the mid 90s. When we were getting off stage after our set, my band mate looked at me and said, "I swear this guy sitting in the back looks just like Bob Seger." I had noticed that too. As we exited the stage, a guy walked up and said "Hi, I'm Bob Seger. I am performing across the street at American Pie for the 4th and they are having issues with the sound system, so I thought I'd walk over and catch a local band. I really enjoyed your set." I was so spell bound I could not talk. So I just said, "Thanks!" Ha.

It's fun to tell folks that THE Bob Seger came to one of your shows! So, here are some of my favorite songs by musicians named Bob.

Enjoy and as always, turn it up!

1. Truckin - Bob Weir (Grateful Dead)

2. Sugar Magnolia - Bob Weir (Grateful Dead)

3. Bawitdaba - Bob Ritchie (Kid Rock)

4. Ida Red Likes to Boogie - Bob Wills

5. If Not For You - Bob Dylan

6. Don't Think Twice, It's Alright - Bob Dylan

7. Get up, Stand Up - Bob Marley

8. I Shot the Sheriff - Bob Marley

9. Still the Same - Bob Seger

10. Beautiful Loser - Bob Seger

Cooking with Neighbor Joy

By Joy Baker – Story & Photo by Alaina Loughridge

In honor of St. Patrick's Day, Joy decided to go all out and make her version of Corned Beef and Cabbage. Now, this recipe is a pain in the ass and as far as I'm concerned, it took forever, but it was well worth the effort as I didn't really have to do anything. But Joy did and what follows is pure yum!

CORNER BEEF & CABBAGE WITH A TYBEE TWSIT



Ingredients:

Corned Beef – sold in prepackaged condition from Kroger – buy the one that comes with the spices included
1 bag Par-Cook Carrots
1 bag of Baby Red Potatoes
Garlic Powder
Minced Onion
Italian Seasoning
Salt and Pepper
Olive Oil
1 Cabbage – small

Instructions:

As a heads up on the seasonings, the exact ingredients aren't spelled out because, as Joy so eloquently says, "A real cook doesn't measure shit!" That having been said, off we go!

Step One: Just follow the instructions on the Corned Beef package. Joy cooked it the night before the actual event because it takes 3 hours, and I don't have time for all that nonsense.

Step Two: Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Strain the carrots and cut the potatoes in half. Mix the carrots and taters with garlic powder, minced onion, Italian Seasoning and salt and pepper. Coat the entire situation with olive oil. Throw it in the oven for 45 minutes.

Step Three: Slice your cabbage and spray frying pan with olive oil. Lay the first layer of cabbage and season with salt and pepper. Then add a second layer of cabbage and season with salt and pepper. Add one more layer with remaining cabbage and season. Keep your skillet on medium and turn your concoction sporadically until all is brown. Then plate it up with the Corned Beef and Taters! It feeds four and is so good! The only downside to this is the prep and cooking time take forever.

As far as what to drink one cannot eat Corned Beef & Cabbage without a beer back!

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Revitalize Your Space: A Comprehensive Guide to Spring Cleaning

By Twila Bryan

As the vibrant hues of spring burst forth, it's time to bid farewell to winter's hibernation and welcome the season of renewal. Embrace the opportunity to rejuvenate your living space with our comprehensive spring-cleaning guide, ensuring a fresh start for both your home and your mindset.

- 1. Declutter with Purpose:** Begin your spring cleaning journey by decluttering. Evaluate each room, parting ways with items that no longer serve a purpose or bring joy. Donate, recycle, or responsibly dispose of things that have overstayed their welcome.
- 2. Create a Cleaning Checklist:** Break down the cleaning process into manageable tasks. Develop a checklist to systematically tackle each room, ensuring no nook or cranny is left untouched. This methodical approach helps maintain focus and prevents feeling overwhelmed.
- 3. Dust and Refresh:** Dust accumulates during winter, so start by dusting surfaces, shelves, and neglected corners. Consider opening windows to let in the fresh air as you dust, creating an invigorating atmosphere within your home.
- 4. Deep Clean Carpets and Upholstery:** Refresh your carpets and upholstery by deep cleaning. Rent a carpet cleaner or hire professionals to eliminate embedded dirt and allergens. This step not only enhances the appearance of your space but also contributes to a healthier indoor environment.
- 5. Revamp Your Linens:** Switch out heavy winter linens for lighter, brighter options. Launder curtains, beddings, and throw blankets to infuse a sense of freshness.
- 6. Kitchen and Appliance Overhaul:** Dive into your kitchen with gusto. Clean out the refrigerator, wipe down surfaces, and organize cabinets. Take the opportunity to defrost your freezer and clean the oven. Your kitchen will not only look pristine but function more efficiently.
- 7. Windows to the World:** Let the sunshine in by cleaning your windows. A mixture of water, vinegar, and a touch of dish soap is an effective and eco-friendly solution. Sparkling windows invite natural light, creating a brighter and more inviting atmosphere.
- 8. Gardening and Outdoor Spaces:** Extend your cleaning efforts beyond the indoors. Tend to your garden, clean outdoor furniture, and sweep patios or decks. Embrace the outdoors by creating a welcoming space for relaxation and enjoyment.
- 9. Embrace Eco-Friendly Cleaners:** Opt for environmentally friendly cleaning products to minimize your ecological footprint. Many green alternatives are effective and gentle, ensuring a clean home without compromising the health of your family or the planet.
- 10. Reward Yourself:** Opt for environmentally friendly cleaning products to minimize your ecological footprint. Many green alternatives are effective and gentle, ensuring a clean home without compromising the health of your family or the planet.

After a job well done, take a moment to appreciate your efforts. Relax and enjoy your refreshed space, surrounded by the sights and scents of spring!

With our guide in hand, embark on your spring-cleaning adventure and transform your living space into a sanctuary of renewal. Your home will not only look revitalized but also inspire a sense of well-being as you embrace the energy of the season. Happy cleaning!

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From the Mayor's Desk

Mayor Brian West

WHY DOES WYOMING HATE US?

I have the privilege to attend many many meetings now. I had no idea. Meetings where I sit for hours, learn so much, and eat snacks. There are so many groups here on Tybee, associations and groups in Chatham County, agencies and departments in the State, and agencies and departments in the federal government. All with an interest in preserving and improving Tybee. Most with money that we need. I don't mind begging.

I enjoyed meeting with the Friends of Cockspur Lighthouse (cockspurislandlighthouse.com). Under the current leadership of Harvey Ferrelle, they are effectively encouraging our federal partners at the National Park Service, Fort Pulaski National Monument to preserve and protect this fascinating structure. They are also working, along with other groups, to encourage the Georgia Ports Authority to rebuild the south jetty of the Savannah River Channel. Tybee needs this to protect our north end. The dunes are washing away. Councilmember Tony Ploughe is also leading an effort to preserve the dunes on the north end. Look for more on that in upcoming meetings.


One of the most fascinating groups is Savannah Area Chamber of Commerce Visit Tybee Island. They are our official marketing organization with a \$2 million budget. They study our visitors and provide some interesting information in their 2024 Business Plan and Budget. Forty percent of our visitors stay an average of 4.5 nights. Sixty percent stay 3-5 hours. In 2022, our day visitors each spent \$59 per day. \$7 of that was for parking. Our overnight visitors each spent \$106 per day. Where did they spend it? Mostly in restaurants, but also on groceries, recreation, tours, entertainment, shopping, local transportation (if they know the owner), and parking (in that order).

Most of our visitors were middle aged (69%) and came from right here in Georgia (39%). Others were from North Carolina, followed by South Carolina, Tennessee, Ohio, and Kentucky. In fact, we had visitors from every state in the United States. Except Wyoming. We even had 0.4% international visitors. But not Wyoming.


The total direct spending from visitors in 2022 was almost \$530 million, affecting over 8,000 jobs. The financial impact for the city was over \$10 million. The best part – 80% of the revenue generated was in just 20% of the year (10 weeks) – from Memorial Day to the end of July. With a few exceptions, we were peaceful for 42 weeks.

The third group of interest to our community is the Memorial Park Plan Task Force. Hopefully, by the time you read this our City Council has approved or is close to approving this group. Tybee needs to grow. We need to offer more and better services and facilities to our residents. But we are out of space. We are ocean, river, and marsh bound. Builders are consuming our available empty lots. We hope to shift our city's focus to planning for the future and taking action on a strategy for Memorial Park. We hope to provide more green space and modern facilities that meet the needs of all age groups. We have developed plans for the Park in the past, but we have not acted. We have new challenges. We will need your consideration, willingness to consider ideas, and thoughtful input for success.


Happy St. Patrick's Day! Get out and enjoy the parade. Welcome a visitor. Be a neighbor. Maybe this year we will get that guest from Wyoming.




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By George Hassell

Who would have thunk it but it's already March? Really? Hello Sports Teaser fans, and welcome to another edition of this self-proclaimed award-winning column. With the chilly month of February behind us, we are ready for all the excitement on Tybee and Savannah with all of the Saint Patrick's Day festivities to come. So, grab a green beer, some green grits and let's get talking about sports.

Where else would we start but with the just completed fantastic Super Bowl 58, where the Kansas City Chiefs beat the San Francisco 49ers 25-22 in overtime. What started out as a Big 10 punt fest turned out to be a thrilling fourth quarter and OT. With the new rules for the playoffs, each team gets a possession in overtime. I knew when San Francisco did not score a touchdown with the first possession, they were going to lose because you can't give Patrick Mahomes the ball with the game on the line. He's too good, he's done it too many times and is by far the best player in the game today. Most Monday morning quarterbacks faulted Kyle Shanahan, the 49ers head coach, for taking the ball first in overtime. Again, with the new rules, it would seem the better play was to let the other team have the ball and see what they do, which tells you what you must do to tie or win the game. As I said to a lot of folks when I was watching the game, you have to score touchdowns to win most of the time. Alabama has scored touchdowns for many years, not kicked field goals, and they've won a ton of games, so there's that. Regardless, congratulations to the Chiefs who have now won three of the past five Super Bowls and went back-to-back for the first time in 20 years since the Patriots did it. They are a dynasty, no doubt. We Falcons and Jaguars fans can only hope that one day our teams will either win a Super Bowl, get to a Super Bowl, or even get far in the playoffs. As we say way too often, there's always next year.

In college football, National Signing Day was in the first part of February. What used to be almost a religious holiday for college football fans has become just another day, as the early signing period in December has taken much of the luster off. It looks like our Georgia Bulldogs will have the number one recruiting class this year with usual suspects Ohio State, Texas and Alabama's also in the top five. One big story was when 5-star quarterback commit Dylan Raiola flipped from Georgia to Nebraska, where his father played. With Carson Beck coming back and one of the top candidates for the Heisman Trophy this fall, Georgia remains in great shape. Their schedule is brutal with road games at Alabama, Texas and Ole Miss. But with the new expanded playoff to 12 teams, 2 losses would probably still get them in. Bottom line, win all your games and it won't matter.

March, of course, brings madness in the form of the NCAA hoops tournament that looks to be wide open this year. It seems like as soon as a team gets in the top ten and goes on the road, they lose. UConn seems to be the pick to repeat as of now, but you just can't rule out anybody from the SEC, ACC or Big 12. Regardless, you better get studying because you'll be filling out your pool brackets soon! I know I have some homework to do.

Enjoy the madness and we'll see you in April when we might talk a little golf and pimento cheese.

BOOK REVIEW

By Nell Klein

THE LIE MAKER

By Linwood Barclay

I recently read a really good beach read about two friends who buy a bookstore. I'm going to review it in the coming months, but in the meantime, I have to pass on an author that I learned about in the book. A guy was in the bookstore looking for a good thriller and said that he loved Harlan Coben. Since Harlan Coben is one of my favorite authors, I got excited. The girl recommended two authors and one was Linwood Barclay. I started with a book of his on my Kindle. It was called "Never Look Away" and it was fabulous! It's an older book (2010), so I decided to buy his latest book, "The Lie Maker." I can honestly say that this book is one of the best books I've read in a while and if you have a chance to read "Never Look Away," you won't be sorry. This author may overtake Harlan Coben in my list of favs! Anyway, enough of all that, now let me tell you all about "The Lie Maker."

Jack Givins is a struggling author who is barely surviving on the royalties from his last published book. His latest has been turned down by the publishers and Jack doesn't know what to do. Just when he's at his wits end, along comes an opportunity that seems too good to be true. The U.S. Marshals approach him with a lucrative offer, and Jack is in no position to turn it down. The marshals are recruiting writers like Jack to create false background stories for people in the witness protection program. Ironically, that's exactly where Jack's father has been since Jack was 9 years old. Jack hasn't seen or heard from him since the night the marshals took his dad away. The last words he spoke to Jack were, "Your dad's not a good person. Your dad killed people, son." At the time, Jack's mother chose not to go into the program with her husband, which meant that Jack lost his father that night.

After the marshals contact him about writing fake backgrounds, Jack decides that maybe the program will help him find his father after all these years. It also doesn't hurt that they are going to pay him \$1000 a day for his work. Jack is also sworn to secrecy, but of course he has to tell his nosy girlfriend, Lana, who happens to be a well-known reporter who just has to know all about what is going on.

Finally, Jack is sent on his first assignment and gets to meet a really bad guy who is getting ready to go into witness protection. He comes up with a background story and at the same time approaches the marshals about finding his dad. Gwen, his contact, reluctantly agrees to help and then everything gets interesting. Does Jack find his dad? Is his dad in danger? Is Jack in danger? I can't tell you much more at this point, but everything you thought was going on changes drastically!

I can't tell you how excited I am about this author! I've already ordered two more of his books and I'm sure I won't stop there. This book (as well as the one I mentioned earlier) are definitely 5 roses. You won't be disappointed, I promise. I hope that you have a great month and Erin go braugh!

In the meantime, read a book. If it's a good read, pass it on!

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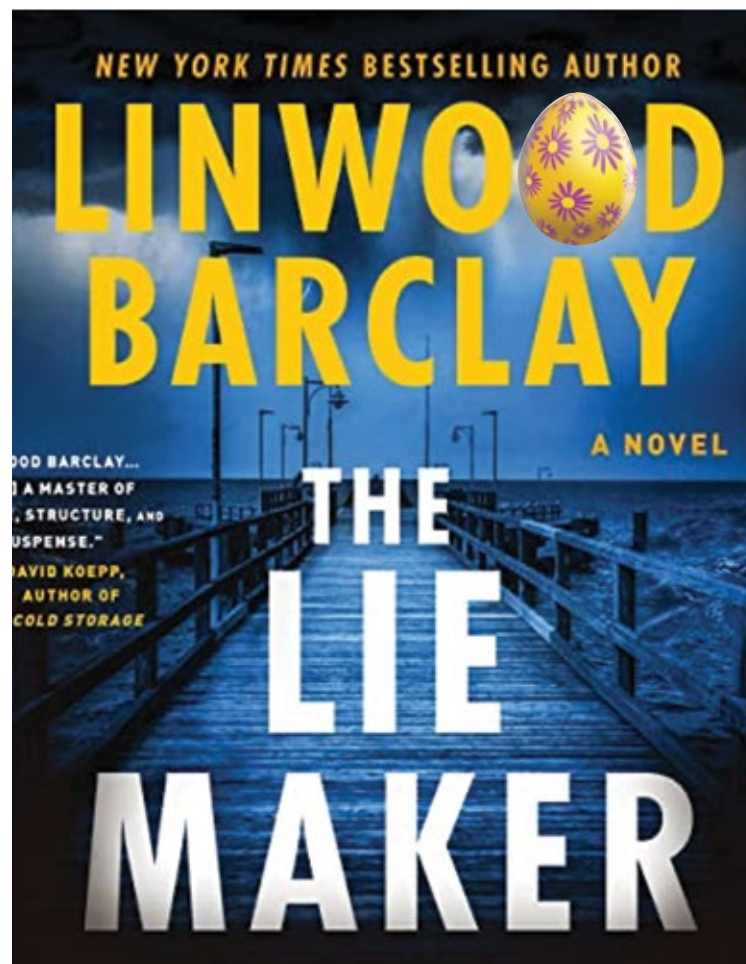


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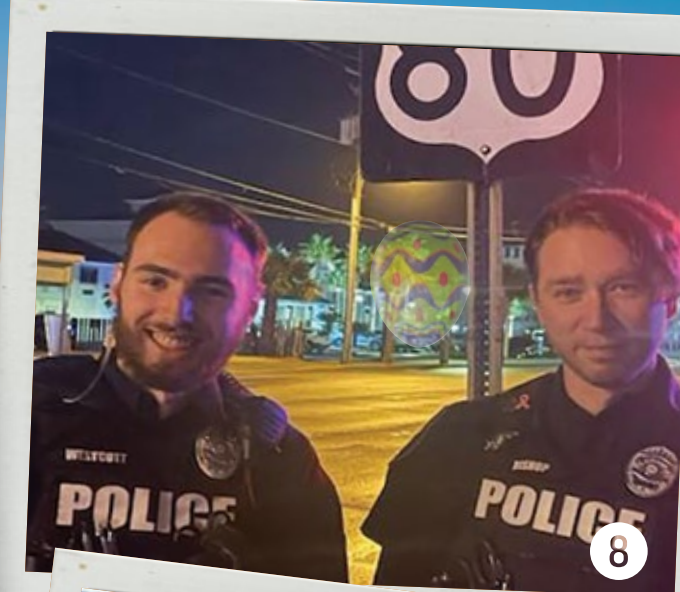
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1 Off season on Tybee is always entertaining. One can often wander down Butler and/or Tybrisa and find people trying to entertain themselves whilst on the job. This pic involves two anonymous people who were practicing their Downward Facing Dog technique.

2 Moving along to the other end of the island in the off season, we find these two bored employees practicing some latest new Tik Tok challenge. Not sure what the premise was, but it was entertaining!

3 Here we are in mid-island at the IGA, where I'm not even sure what these two weirdos were doing, but they are in the pharmaceutical aisle, so your guess is as good as mine. They look fun though!!

4 **Sue, Monica and Joy** clearly left the Island and have kidnapped the Stanley Cup from the Ghost Pirates! First off, we have our own ice hockey team? Second off, they just pass that Stanley Cup around like candy corn on Halloween? What is going on this off season??

5 And off season at **The Quarter** is always a blast!!! I was on my best behavior, but after running into these crazies ... well, I didn't take pictures of any of the aftermath!

6 **Kim and Dabney** make mermaiding look easy! Missed this one during Polar Bear Plunge, but this picture is the gift that keeps on giving!! Love you ladies!!

7 Keeping up with the theme of Off Season ... I've got one word for **Sara Cromer**: BUSTED!!!! You and I are going to have a chat about the penis you pasted to my rear brake light too.

8 **Officers Wescott and Bishop** were happy I wasn't causing any trouble!

9 **Michael** was pretending to look like he was working hard behind the bar at **TS Chus**.

10 **Kaitlin and Erin** were happy to show off their medals from the **Jell-O wrestling event at Poo's**! Congratulations, ladies!

11 Jesus Critz!! I can't believe **Ethan** was still standing after all the running he did! Good job!!

12 I always love my talks with **Brenda** when I go into the **south Chu's**. She is always happy and smiling!



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By Alaina Loughridge
Photos and Commentary by Betsey Jenkins

Calvin’s Dawghouse Bar & Grill

CRYSTAL’S BREAKFAST AT THE DAWGHOUSE

When we found out Calvin’s Dawghouse was opening for breakfast, well, hell yeah to that! New food and a new concept on the north end of the island got Betsey and me up and out of bed early one morning to attend the private ooh la la opening of Crystal’s Breakfast at the Dawghouse. All the cool kids were there and with Sean Ensign ruling the kitchen and Amy and Maddie behind the pine, we bellied up to the bar to see what kind of trouble we could get into!

We had already been admiring the menu on Facebook, so we had an idea of what we wanted, and Sean already had an idea of what he wanted to get us, so off we went with a starter munchie of plain ol’ **pancakes**. Top off three monster fluffy pancakes with a starter **mimosa** and life gets really fun really quick!

The Crab Cake Benedict was next and on point! Served on an English muffin with a crab cake, ham and poached egg and topped with a house made Hollandaise sauce, Betsey declared this plate amazing with a ‘coastal twist’ on what could have just been the same old situation. The plate came with a delish side of nicely little roasted taters and it’s just a huge plate of food. Very much brunchy/lunchy and we had a hard time putting our forks down.

The Denver Omelet hit the table next and again, just a big plate of food! Includes ham, onion, bell pepper, mushroom, tomato and cheese, wrapped up in a floaty, scrambled egg envelope and served with home fries. Not chintzy at all on the innards!

As were stuffing our faces, we were also happily sampling different kinds of **Mimosas**, a **Caramel Martini** that was so off the chain that we were fighting over it, as well as a **Chocolate Espresso Martini** that was also guzzled down so quickly, we barely had time to take the pictures!

We just tried a few of the menu items available, but there is so much more! Different types of waffles, omelets and crepes, burritos, wraps, bagels, sausage and biscuits and multiple breakfast combos. Everything on the menu is made from scratch – from the biscuits to the Hollandaise and you can tell. The prices are also shockingly good for the amount of food you get. They also have a kid’s menu and plan on being open seven days a week and are offering Bottomless Mimosa’s on Saturdays and Sundays.

Calvin and Crystal are still working out some kinks, but I say they are off to one hell of a start! With plans coming for different specials and other yummy offerings, you can add breakfast to your daily plans from 6am to 1pm, then come back for lunch and dinner options from 2pm to 11pm with the full bar available after 9am.

You can find Calvin’s Dawghouse at 725 First Street (next to the Chu’s on Campbell). For a peek at the menu, check out their Facebook page which also lists live music events and other bar fun activities. We will see you there!





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Bartender of the MONTH

By Alaina Loughridge & Photo by Wen McNally

March's Bartender of the Month is a super fun guy that is not only entertaining, but he's good at making yum concoctions that will have you happily ordering 'just one more' and we are going to start with his cocktail first: The Grasshopper! A truly classic old-school cocktail that brings forth thoughts of flapper girls smoking cheroots and dancing on top of pianos. Or that just may be me, but when I took a sip of his signature drink, that's where my brain went. Typically made with Creme de' Cocoa, Creme de' Menthe and cream, our guy adds a little something something extra to make it really good and you will definitely want another. Ready for the great reveal?

Michael Orlando aka M.J. at the Wind Rose!

Born in Durham and raised in Raleigh, NC, M.J. did the usual school thing and graduated from Wake Young Men's Leadership Academy before heading off to East Carolina University in Greenville. There he obtained his bachelor's degree, majoring in Print Making with a minor in Art History. After graduating, he moved to Virginia for three days (yes, three days) and then directly to Tybee! How does that happen? Well, you met your partner at a college party, and he lives in Virginia, but loves Tybee. And that's how that happens!

Settling right into Tybee like he had always lived here, M.J. started his shuck and jive at Wet Willie's. Getting to know everyone was easy and one day, whilst hanging out at the Rose, he was asked to pick up a shift and bippity boppity, here we are.

Of course, I had to ask him the Beachcomber's Most Important Questions in Life:

Passion: Making people happy with my creations

Grow Up: Have fun and do some form of print making. Maybe a tattoo artist!

Spirit Animal: A Raccoon! They do whatever they want and whatever it takes!

Superpower That He Has: Always trusts his gut instincts

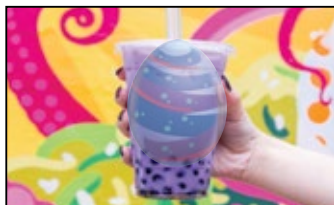
Superpower That He Wants: 'I'm good with what I got.'

M.J. loves alcohol! Not just to drink, of course, but to create new concoctions. The possibilities are endless, and he does enjoy making people happy! I think it's time you got down to the Wind Rose and have M.J. make you something happy! Did I mention he's entertaining too? Make sure you ask for the Joke of the Day!

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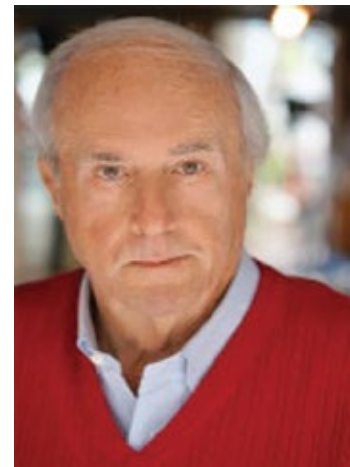
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Life on the Bike Path

By John O'Neill

It's already March and the Irish are on the loose! And St. Patrick's Day isn't the only thing going on this month. Not by a long shot. You see, the first week of March is right smack dab in the middle of skunk mating season. You read that correctly; and it's nothing to play with. You may as well plan on seeing a dead skunk in the middle of the road soon; and good luck getting the lyrics to the song out of your head. Now, I've never been sprayed by a skunk, but I am told that the smell is most unpleasant. OK. Moving right along.

The older I get, the more I find myself paying attention to how old folks behave out in public. And I'm not just talking about the ones who drive 15 MPH... in the left lane... with their turn signals on... for at least ten blocks either. Some things are more annoying than that.

Several years ago, The Princess had returned home from a trip to the Big Island and told me the visit to the grocery store was just miserable. She told me there was an older couple who was everywhere she needed to be, on every aisle. I hate it when that happens.

Well, it's confession time. Two months ago we went to Publix, and I'll be damned if I didn't turn into the old person we can't stand to get behind. I kid you not. I had the coffee aisle blocked by my buggy in both directions, people were stacking up all the way to the canned milk section, and there I was...oblivious to the traffic jam I had created. It wasn't until I overheard The Princess apologizing to the other shoppers for my conduct that I hung my head in shame and slithered off into the shadows of frozen TV dinners and chicken pot pies. Bet you haven't heard the term "TV Dinner" in a while, have ya?

Summer is here and I'm ready for NASCAR and Woo Girls!

John O'Neill is a character actor known for 'The Glorias,' 'The Crickets Dance,' 'The Lady Makers,' and the smash Netflix hit series, 'Outer Banks.'



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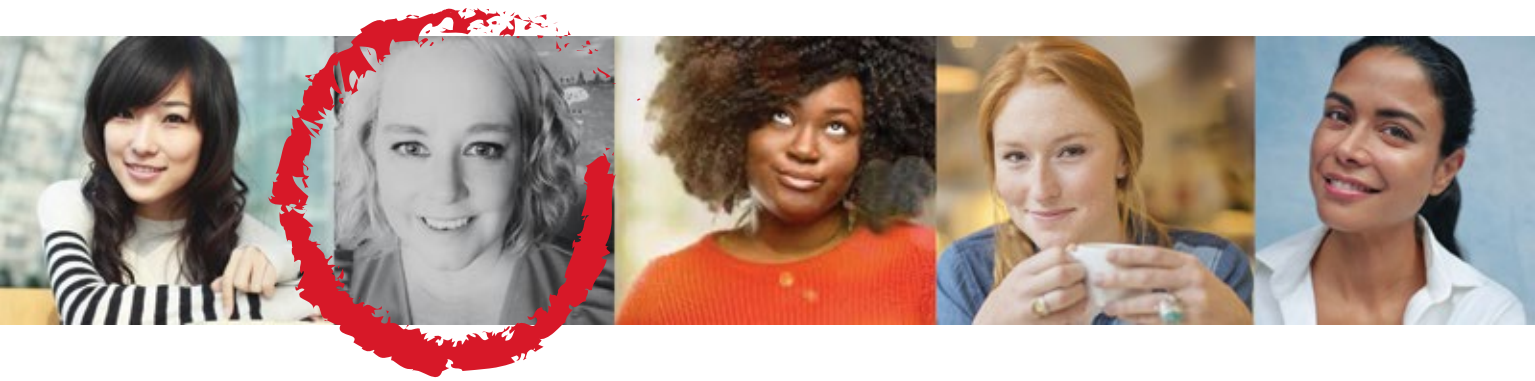
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Adventures of a Serial Single

By Taylor Edenfield

Part 10: Red Flags

A very wise animated anthropomorphic owl once said, “When you look at someone through rose-colored glasses, all the RED flags just look like flags.” If you are a loyal reader, you know I have dated my fair share of walking red flags. This is a story of one of the few times when I saw several red flags, and immediately ran for the hills.

My family moved to this area several years before I did, but I spent many of my weekends here. On one such weekend, my mom, my sister Sloan, and I took Sloan’s two kids to a chain restaurant in Savannah (the only restaurant they agreed on) for dinner. Right off the bat, our server was AMAZING. He was cute and funny and entertaining as hell. With a bit of liquid courage and more than a bit of encouragement from Mom and Sloan, I did something I swore I would NEVER DO: I left my name and number on the receipt. So embarrassing, right?? Whatever, he’ll never call, and I’ll never have to see him again.

But he did call. Almost immediately. Several times. Over and over again. *Red flag number 1.*

He asked me out on a date for the following weekend. By that time, I had had numerous conversations with my sisters (Sloan and Curry), and our collective obsession with crime shows had us convinced he was most likely a serial killer. Our first date was to be at a bar downtown that I have since come to know and love. How do you stay safe on a date with a potential murderer? You bring your sisters with you and have them sit at a different table and spy on you the whole time. Obviously.

The first few minutes of the date went well, until it was time to order drinks. I ordered a Budweiser (which horrified my sisters), and he ordered a bottle of champagne (with only one glass, so clearly for himself) and 3 shots of Jager at one time (also for himself). *Red flag number two.*

The following weekend was Christmas. I knew he couldn’t go home for Christmas, but I wasn’t prepared for the 3am phone call I got from him, crying, and begging to spend Christmas with my family. I was raised to be empathetic and thus extended the invite (despite it being only the second time I had ever spent time with him), but in hindsight... *Red flag number three.*

The holiday celebrations passed rather uneventfully, but the next several weeks were filled with near constant phone calls and texts. He had become very dependent on me in a very short amount of time. Keep in mind, I had seen this man twice in the span of about six weeks; to me, our relationship was casual at best. To him, it was much more. *Red flag number four.*

Our third date was roughly a month after Christmas. He was unhappy that I hadn’t made the trip to Savannah as often as he thought I should, but he was overly excited about a surprise he had for me. Giddy, almost freaking out. *Red flag number five.*

I agreed to meet at his apartment and go to dinner from there. When I went inside, I was shocked. It was totally empty. There was no furniture. None. Nada. Nothing. There was a pillow on the floor of the living room, and a pillow and maybe a blanket on the floor in the bedroom (from what I could see). I asked how long he had lived there, he said, “A little over a year.” *Red flag number six.*

He immediately grabbed me into a big bear hug, and I’ll never forget what he said, “This is about to change our whole relationship.” I didn’t know we were in a relationship. *Red flag number seven.*

He put his hands over my eyes and led me into the living room. He turned me towards a wall that was previously obscured by the kitchen. As he removed his hands from my eyes he whispered, “This is a symbol of my love for you.” On our third date. *Red flag number eight.*

In front of me, on an otherwise empty wall in an otherwise empty living room, was a gorgeous, gilded frame. Inside the frame were several different mattes, all also gorgeous. The smallest part of the masterpiece was what was actually being framed: the receipt from the restaurant on which I wrote my name and number. *Red flag number nine.*

I was frozen. I had no reaction at all, which I suppose is just as bad as a negative reaction. I texted my sisters our previously determined code, and Curry called with an “emergency,” so I got out of there as quickly as I could. As a lot of my stories end, I never spoke to him again.

Anyway, he’s in prison now for attempted murder of another girlfriend.

The moral of the story, trust your gut and trust your sisters (if you have them), but do NOT trust your rose-colored glasses.

Why? Why? WHY! What is with all the passwords?

If you are sick and tired of all the password changes you are constantly being asked to do, consider how much better it is to change your password now and again, than it is to go to your bank, have all your credit cards and checks destroyed, change all your automatic payments, switch all your credit card numbers for paying your bills, and explain to all your utility companies their payments are all being delayed. Sounds like a nightmare, no? It's actually quite a bit worse than you think! Time consuming, inconvenient, embarrassing, and a pain in the keister!

Once upon a time, when people broke into your computer, they did annoying or terrible things to you, like deleting all your files, or encrypting them and demanding a ransom. They planted nasty viruses that consumed tons of your computer time or filled your disk with bad things. Maybe they tried to get all your contacts and send them the same viruses, too. But today they do nasty, quiet, secret things. They watch what you're typing to steal your login and password information, but that information may not get used right away. They try to steal as much information from your computer, your Facebook account, your Instagram. They try to steal information from Home Depot, Target, Comcast, AT&T, Adobe, Google, Facebook, Yahoo!, and many, many more. Sony's PlayStation user data was stolen. Anthem's insured user database got hacked. The hack at Equifax revealed personal information for over 145 million American, British, and Canadian citizens. Banks of every size, the SWIFT transaction system, ATM machines, electronic payment devices – billions of accounts have been hacked in just the last 10 years.

The criminals who did the hacking certainly have successfully used this information to steal real money, from companies and from people. They also sold the information they got to others, who also are using this information to steal even more. Then they put this information on the Dark Web, where other criminals can obtain it to do further damage.

But those are major hauls. These hackers also plant little viruses in all the computers they can, on literally hundreds of millions of computers. These little viruses sit quietly, not deleting files, not asking for ransom, just quietly trying to break into every login account they can find. If your login name happens to come up on one of their lists, thousands of computers will spend all day, every day, trying to guess your password. If you never change your password, it will eventually get guessed!

Yeah, changing your password is a good thing to do! Changing it several times per year is an important move to protect your finances and your privacy. You need to use a different password on every site you visit on the internet, because if they guess it on one, they'll try that login and password everywhere to see if you aren't one of the careless people who used the same password in multiple places.

Some sites are starting to use password-free access. When you try to login, they send you a verification code on your phone or email. Because only YOU should have your phone, when you respond with the code, they will let you in. If at all possible, always use a password AND the verification code method. This is called two-factor authentication, or 2FA. Another 2FA method uses an Authenticator application on your phone – Google, Microsoft, and some of the password managers have Authenticator apps, which all use a standard method to generate your code, which is based on your login, your physical phone, and the site you are trying to log in to. But...

You NEED a password manager. Password managers remember your passwords for you. They automatically type them for you, in a manner that most viruses can't even see. They automatically create random password strings for you. They remind you when you haven't changed your password in a while.

Password managers can cost anywhere from nothing to around \$60 per year. Compared to the possible loss you might experience otherwise, even the more expensive ones are well worth the investment!

The darling of the review sites right now is 1Password. I installed this for several different customers in the last half of 2023, and every one of them uninstalled it because it was too complicated. I currently use LastPass, which I like a lot, but my wife threatened me with beheading when I tried to install it on her computer. I have several customers who *love* DashLane, and the second most frequently recommended manager is BitWarden. I have yet to try either, although I will be trying out BitWarden soon, as my LastPass subscription is expiring soon. The BitWarden plan is among the lowest in cost and is said to be easy to use. I'll let you know. Norton's password manager is free, but not well supported, and Norton will try to get you to purchase the Norton security package, which is not really needed with Windows 10 or Windows 11. In the meantime, check one out and USE IT if it sounds good to you. Most have a short evaluation period, and you can pay by the month if you need more time to check it out.

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Tybee Island Bucket List

- Read the Tybee Beachcomber!
- Walk the beach
- Collect seashells and shark teeth
- Do a Beach Sweep
- Visit the Tybee Island Lighthouse and Fort Screven
- Watch a sunrise and a sunset on the beach
- Go on a dolphin tour
- Visit Fort Pulaski
- Go Fishing! (deep sea fishing, surf fishing, pier fishing)
- Rent a golf cart
- Visit the Marine Science Center
- Ride the bike path
- Go surfing, boogie boarding, paddle boarding
- Rent a kayak
- Go shopping in our many unique shops
- Check out our great restaurants and bars
- Stroll through our Park of 7 Flags (at the end of Hwy. 80)
- Enjoy people watching (we have a lot of characters here)
- Relax!!
- Remember to leave only your footprints

ARTIST OF THE MONTH - Nana



Nazira Sayaf Waldo, is also known around Tybee as Nana. Nana has helped The Tybee Community for many years through The YMCA as a Fitness Instructor, Livestrong Coach (helping Cancer warriors, and survivors in getting strong and figuring out their new "NORM"). She has made Savannah, Georgia home since 1996.

Nana made waves in the art scene when her large acrylic paintings graced the walls of the Cummer Art Museum in Jacksonville, Florida. Her initial focus was on capturing the sprawling marsh scenes and the diverse array of creatures inhabiting Tybee, each brushstroke revealing her deep appreciation for the natural wonders surrounding our beautiful city.

Today, she channels her creativity into smaller canvases, with a particular emphasis on intricately detailed sand dollars and petite paintings. These smaller pieces, brimming with the same passion and artistry, can now be discovered at Kelly and Co.

Nana's transition to smaller scales allows art enthusiasts to bring a piece of Tybee's charm into their homes in a more intimate way. Her creations, whether capturing the delicate patterns of sand dollars or miniature marsh scenes, continue to reflect the essence of Tybee's natural wonders, maintaining the same awe-inspiring beauty in a more accessible format.

Visit Kelly and Co. on 1207 US 80 E. at Tybee Island to experience Nana's latest artistic expressions, where her smaller-scale masterpieces invite you to appreciate the allure of Tybee's landscapes in a tangible and personal way. Nana's art serves as a testament to her adaptability as an artist, showcasing the enduring inspiration drawn from the enchanting surroundings of our beloved coastal city.

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Life's a Beach Events

What's happening in Mar. By Mom

3-2 March Haynes Day Celebration - Fort Pulaski - Free Pass Day
9am-5pm at Ft. Pulaski, 101 Ft. Pulaski Road. Ft. Pulaski continues to celebrate its 100 year anniversary with March Haynes Community Day. Free Special programming connecting Ft. Pulaski to Savannah's rich African American history.

3-2 National Read Across America Day Get your reading on! It's Dr. Seuss's birthday! Head to your favorite Library!

3-3 National Anthem Day National Anthem Day commemorates the day the USA adopted "The Star-Spangled Banner."

3-6, 3-13-3-20 & 3-27 Ramm Bytes Computer Class with Michael Bodine 7-9pm (every Wednesday) at the Pelican's Palette, South Campbell at First St/Hwy 80, East side of the building with the Tybee Visitor's Center and the Irritable Pelican's Art Gallery. Topics may vary but, it's a great way to learn or review your skills. For more info email: computerbeachtybee@gmail.com. Check it out!

3-9 Tybee Island St. Patrick's Day Parade - Irish Heritage Celebration 3-5pm parade with family friendly floats starting at Tybee City Hall on Butler to Tybrisa St. Join in the fun of marches, music, and so much more. Most importantly, don't forget to wear green!

3-10 Tour de Art - Seasonal Art Market 12-5pm at North End Art District. This is a Tybee Arts Association sponsored event. Artists will be at various businesses/restaurants with maps to help you along to the next one. For more info go to www.tybeetourdearts.com.

3-10 Daylight Saving Time Is it, or isn't it, that is the question! The best that I can tell is we're still on for Spring Forward. There goes the hour of extra sleep.

3-10 & 3-24 Beach Clean Up and Back River Clean Up 5:30-6:30pm for both events. All equipment is provided as well. 3-10 is Beach Clean up around the Pier and meeting up at 1509 Strand Ave. 3-24 is Back River Clean up, meet up at the Inlet Avenue beach entrance off Chatham Ave.

3-11, 3-18, & 3-25 Tybee Farmers and Artisans Market 4-7pm every Monday through October at 30 Meddin Dr. Fresh veggies and artistic treasures will be available. Don't forget to shop local!

3-13 Lunch and Learn: Two Local Lighthouses: The Tallest and the Shortest 11:30am-1pm at Mission Hall, All Saint's Episcopal Church, 804 Jones. Bring your own lunch. At 11:30am is lunch. Speakers are Kelsey Chandler, Archivist at Tybee Light Station and Allen Lewis, Board Member, Friends of Cockspur Lighthouse. Iced Tea, coffee and cookies provided. For more info, email patricialeiby@gmail.com.

3-14 Tybee Island Lighthouse News Just an FYI for y'all. The Lighthouse has been closed since January 10th for restoration. The rest of the light station and museum remains open. Go by and see how the restoration is going and if it will be open on 3-14. Tickets are discounted until then.

3-17 St. Patrick's Day Did you know that the first recorded St. Patrick's Day Parade was held in New York City, in the year of 1762.

3-19 Spring Begins Spring has sprung and it will last until June 20th, 2024.

3-31 Easter Happy Easter Y'all!

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MOVIE REVIEW

By Alaina Loughridge

BEHIND HER EYES / SALTBURN

Well beach boys and girls, you are in for another delightful month of a two-fer and a book all thrown together in one delightfully filled oxycontin moment after I had foot surgery. I don't recommend foot surgery or oxy for anyone, but I do recommend the following movies:

Behind Her Eyes – Netflix and Book

Nell, our illustrious book reviewer, gave me this book for my birthday and was super excited about it. After I read it, I was a different human being. Behind Her Eyes was written by Sarah Pinborough and is one of those books that you just kind of cruise along and then suddenly, that last chapter slams you in the face with a double decker punch and you lose your mind. You will NEVER EVER SEE IT COMING! So, as I was reading the book, the Netflix series was wrapping up and I started watching it. Holy spot on! The book normally never matches the flick, but this one did. It is a six-episode situation, that will have you hanging off the edge of your couch! No actors we know though.

Louise is a single mom working as an assistant. She meets her new boss, David, after inadvertently getting their flirt on the day before they know they are boss and employee, and what follows gets very uncomfortable. Louise then, by strange happenstance, meets the wife, Adele, and that's when we get into funky town. Louise likes them both and hears both sides of their stories. As her affair with her boss gets more intense, so does her relationship with the wife – neither of whom knows that she knows the other. I can't really say anything more. Just watch the movie.

I give this Netflix situation and the book 5 bottles of Goût de Diamant's, Taste of Diamonds 2013 champagne for the measly price of \$1,980,682.02 per bottle because it will f you up. I have nothing bad to say about this other than your brain will cease accepting oxygen after you watch it and that's probably a 5 bottles of oxygen situation there. Oxygen is priceless.

Saltburn – Prime

This movie took me a couple of tries to get going, but I'm glad I stuck with it. I do love a good English mansion in the countryside story with pretty people. There are some extremely pretty people in this movie and that's how our main character, Oliver, becomes infatuated with one of his fellow college mates, Felix. Oliver soon makes himself indispensable to Felix and thus gets invited to Saltburn, the family's countryside manse for the summer holiday. There he meets the very upper-class family and easily falls into their debauched life of leisure. Jealousy quickly follows and Oliver turns very Mr. Ripley-ish. As the family line begins to crumble around revelations on both sides, you can't look away from this trainwreck in progress

I give this movie 3 bottles of Dom Perignon Rose Gold 1996 Vintage priced at roughly \$35,000 per bottle, because that is a totally affordable all day drinking champers, and 2 bottles of shelf temperature Cook's champagne because there are two scenes that I could totally have continued my life without and once you see them, you too shall know. Ewww.

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2024 YMCA Critz Tybee Run Fest Brings 1200 Runners to Tybee for the Weekend

By Summer Bozeman

On February 2 and 3, the 2024 YMCA Critz Tybee Run Fest raced through the island, bringing more than 1200 runners and walkers on a winter off-season weekend. That's almost 300 more individual runners than in 2023, many of whom ran in multiple events: over 1840 finisher medals were given out over the course of the weekend's five timed events and free kids' run. The number is also only just short of the race's pre-pandemic level of registration, February of 2020 being the last year that the race was hosted by Critz Auto Group before generously gifting it to the YMCA of Coastal Georgia as a fundraising event and stepping back to the role of title sponsor.

That makes 2024 the third year that the local YMCA has hosted the 2-day event, retaining as much of its traditional format as possible and striving to keep it on its regular weekend, which brings racers and spectators to the beach destination in the off-season to fill hotel rooms and vacation rentals, eat in restaurants, fill up on gas and purchase souvenirs of their stay. This also means that all event proceeds remain local, supporting the YMCA of Coastal Georgia to provide scholarships for summer day camps and youth sports leagues, childcare and before-and after-school care support, and income-based assistance for memberships. Although Savannah has several major running events throughout the year, the YMCA Critz Tybee Run is the only one that serves as a nonprofit fundraiser.

Although each of the five events has a different course, winding through Tybee's neighborhoods and around the lighthouse, only one lane of Highway 80 is closed and the only other road closure is Tybrisa Street between Butler and the pier to accommodate the finish line for all courses. The foot of the pier serves as the race site with a large tent to keep runners and spectators warm and having fun, with sponsors providing food and drink, lively music by Gary Strickland, and a VIP area hosted by Savannah Magazine with cozy seating, locally made snacks and a mimosa bar.

Another priority of the race in respecting Tybee Island and its residents is in an effort to reduce the plastic waste produced by the event. Water stations are needed throughout each race for safety, with each runner potentially using a cup at multiple stations, which means a five-race event could need as many as 10,000 cups in order to keep everyone hydrated. That's why, for the second year in a row, the race has partnered with Hiccup Earth to provide sterile silicone cups at water stations that are used and then collected by Hiccup to be sterilized at their facility with restaurant equipment, before being transported to another race elsewhere. The Run Fest has also stopped serving beer to runners in plastic cups, opting instead for aluminum cans which can be more easily recycled, and by providing ample recycle bins available at the race site and across the course. These efforts help to keep waste from ending up on the beach or in the landfill.

Planning for the 2025 event is already in full swing: next year's race weekend will be Friday, January 31 and Saturday, February 1, with registration to open soon. Sponsorships are available for businesses of any size in a range of levels. Visit TybeeRunFest.com for more information.



PERVY PETS OF THE MONTH

Submitted by Heike and Bruce Simpson

Duke & Walker

Duke, the chocolate lab, was a stray who wandered into our yard. He was a six month old skinny dog then. Now, 10 years old, he is 125 pounds.

Walker is the new puppy. A 12 week old, 12 pound Belgian Malinois mix who is in love with his big brother. We rescued him a couple of months ago.

These dogs play tug of war most of the day. They both love food, treats and any toys. They get jealous over attention being paid to someone else and neither one of them likes loud noises.

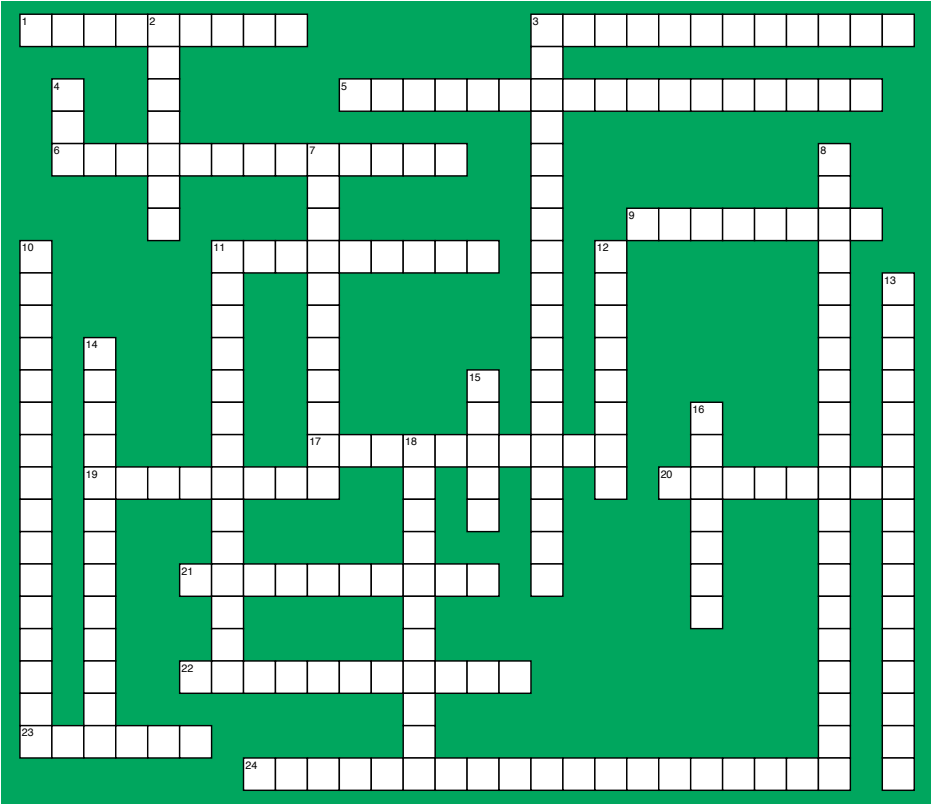
ACROSS

- 1 Ramm Bytes subject
3 Begin your spring cleaning by _____
5 Our local YMCA has hosted this 2 day event for the 3rd year (4 wds.)
6 This six episode movie will have you hanging off the edge of your couch (3 wds.)
9 In this movie, Oliver gets invited to the family's countryside manse, _____, for the holidays
11 Photo of the Month was submitted by him (2 wds.)
17 Find 50 of these to win a prize (2 wds.)
19 They use their tentacles to capture food and pull it into their mouth
20 Part 10 of Serial Single (2 wds.)
21 Main character in Book Review (2 wds.)
22 Free pass day here on 3-2 (2 wds.)
23 This season begins on 3-19
24 This Irish Heritage Celebration will be on 3-9. Be sure to wear green! (4 wds.)

DOWN

- 2 The Mayor wonders why they hate us
3 Spring forward on 3-10 for this (3 wds.)
4 DJ Amp gives us some of her favorite musicians named ____
7 Dr. Joe says Tybee's _____ are one of his favorite habitats to explore
8 Neighbor Joy made this in honor of St. Patrick's Day (4 wds.)
10 Winner of Super Bowl 58 (3 wds.)
11 Bartender of the Month (2 wds.)
12 Bartender of the Month works here (2 wds.)
13 Food Spy went here for breakfast (2 wds.)
14 Pervy Pets of the Month (3 wds.)
15 Green month
16 Traveling Beachcomber winners went here
18 Book Review (3 wds.)

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BOB	IRELAND	SALTBURN
CALVINS DAWGHOUSE	JACK GIVINS	SPRING
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