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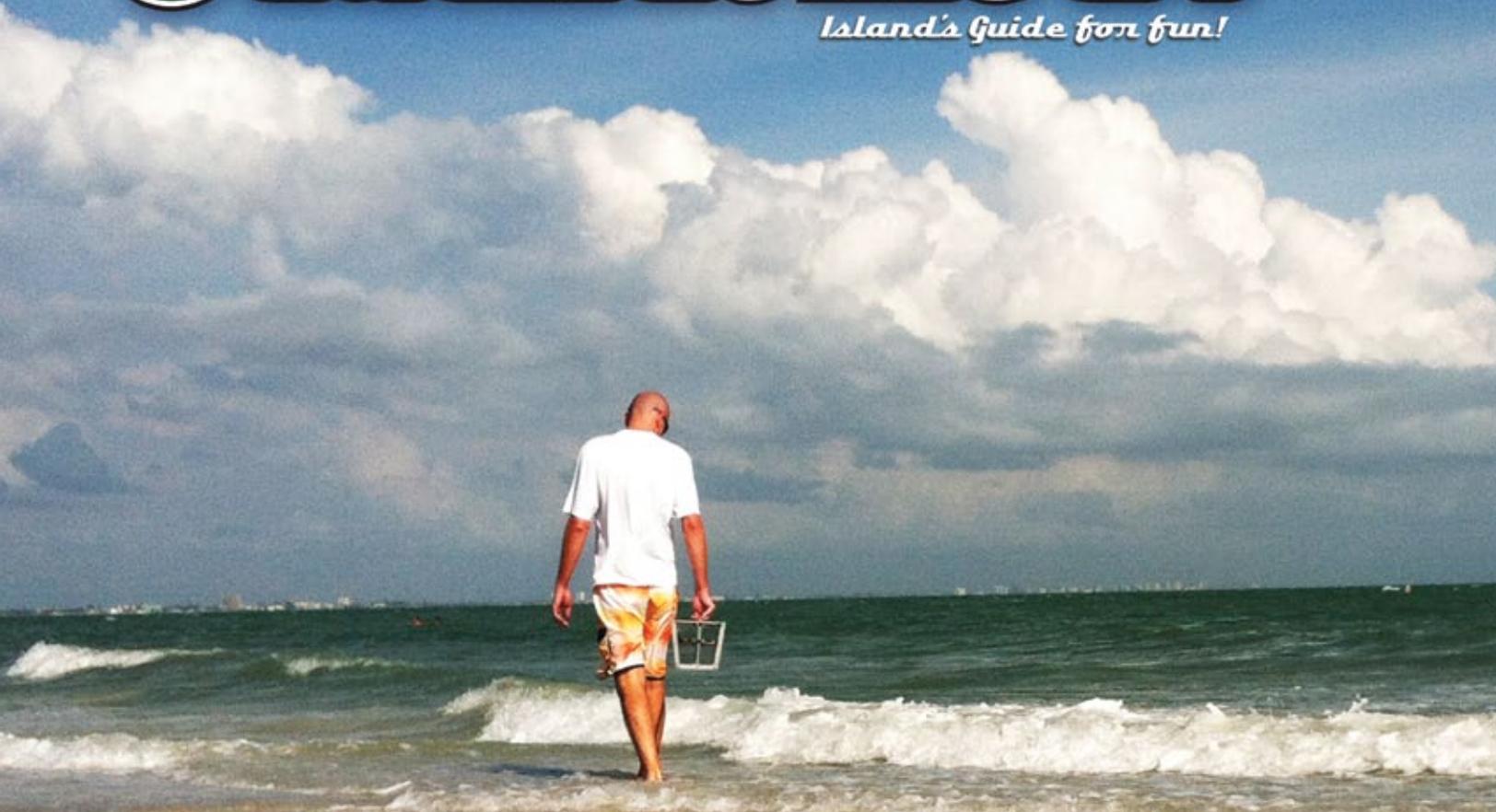
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# From the EDITOR

HAPPY SUMMER Y'ALL!!!

Unofficially I feel like summer started in March, but now its OFFICIAL!! School is a minute away from being out and it is going to get nutty(er) on Tybee Island! With that in mind, everybody be patient please. The traffic is what it is. You are not going to arrive at your destination faster if you scream and beep your horn. Parking is at a premium and that also is what it is. Let's be calm and beach on. We will all get to where we are going ... eventually.

So, no more seriousness! Let's party our faces off!!! All you summer revelers, get your Tybee Tattoo on! Make it epic and be sure to post it on Facebook so we can all giggle at your expense and then share our own tattoo stories. All the ones I have heard involve pavement or palm trees. Let's see who can tell me the **best Tybee Tattoo Story!** I want it to be huge and epic! Call me, email me or stop by the Wind Rose and tell me all about it. The best tattoo story will win something. I just thought of this idea, so I will have thought of the prize by the time I get the story. Have no fear.

We have been delightedly overwhelmed with **Traveling Beachcombers!** We have got winners through September, so don't panic if you have submitted something and it ain't front and center. Once we change to a weekly magazine (OMG NEVER), we will be more on top of things. In the meantime, patience is key and keep em coming. This month's winners are **Bill and Chris Garbett at Stonehenge!!!** WHAT??? LOVE IT!! Thank you for traveling all that way just for us!! Congratulations and off you go to A-J's for their fantastic food and Back River view. Call me!

DO NOT forget to get some items together for the **Adopt A Soldier** program we told you about in the April edition. Wanda Doyle and the Ladies Auxiliary, ALP 154, are collecting things together to ship overseas in June. Call Wanda for more information at 912-667-9844! You have time to do this.

Alright kids! Let's get your read on!!

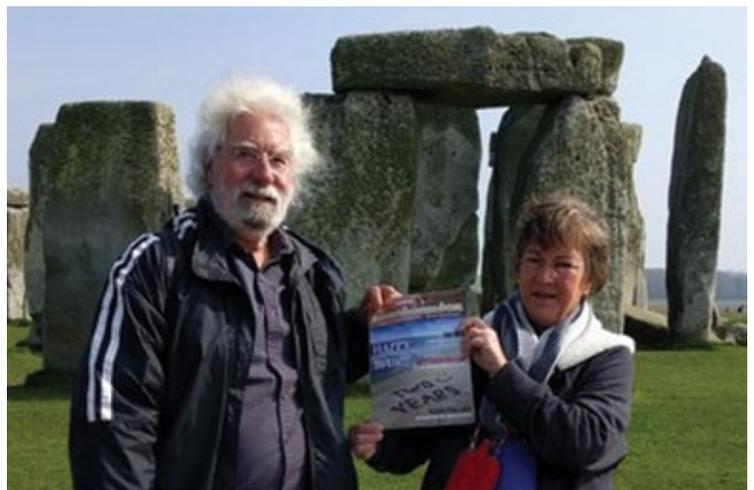




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# The Captains of Lazaretto Creek

## (Captain Mike's Dolphin Tours)

By Jimmy Prosser

What started as a blind date more than 44 years ago, has turned the now happily married couple of **Mike and Iris Scarbrough** into two very successful business owners here on Tybee. Mike came to Georgia from Alabama, Iris grew up outside of Atlanta, they had a family, and Iris was offered an early retirement from Bell South. Mike travelled for business, and he was often gone five days a week, constantly having to leave Iris behind. *"We decided we wanted a slower pace of life,"* Iris told me, but the look on her face says they took on more than they could have ever imagined.

Mike and Iris purchased the marina at Lazaretto Creek 27 years ago. Back then it had a dilapidated dock, two shrimp boats operating out of it, and a few small structures that came with the property. Purchasing the property was no problem, but coming up with the funds to make the necessary repairs was a little trickier. *"No one wants to give you a loan when you don't have money, but once you have money they all want to give you a loan,"* Iris told me. One of the largest obstacles of opening the marina was being told by the inspector that the entire dock had to be removed and put back in. Iris was not willing to accept this, and using her business experience, she met with the necessary people and was able to prove that the dock only needed minor repairs.

In the beginning Mike did a lot of the work himself, working hard to build up the dock and properties. *"We used a lot of credit cards,"* Iris chuckled. *"I can tell you how many square feet of treated lumber you can get for \$5,000,"* she added with a smile. Mike worked full time at the marina, trying to turn it in to what we see today, with Iris by their side, although she admitted to taking a job in Savannah for the first six years. *"I thought it would be nice to have money to buy groceries."* The struggles of owning a business were tough, but it's very easy to tell it all paid off.

When asked about **Captain Mike's Dolphin Tours**, Iris told me, *"Mike was looking for something for a family to do at a reasonable price."* Back in the late 80s and early 90s, the only way to get on the water around Tybee was to charter a boat, \$300 for four hours. Mike purchased their first boat three years after acquiring the marina, a 27 foot retired Navy boat that carried 15 passengers. Back when they first opened, the price of admission was \$5 for kids and \$12 for adults. Now more than 24 years later, the price has only increased from \$3 to \$8 per child, and \$15 per adult. Their fleet has also increased to five boats, although one is currently sitting on dry land not being used.

Today Iris can be found working in the office, with Mike out and about on the property. Mike no longer captains the tours since they have multiple people who do that for them. When I asked what their plans are for the future, Iris said, *"Mike's semi-retired, he's been trying to hand in his resignation, but I won't take it."* Mike is just too valuable to the operation to hang his hat up. When asked about the best part of the job, Iris lit up and said, *"The smiles on people's faces, no complaints, the field trips, most everyone is happy coming off the boat."* She told me occasionally they have marriage proposals on board. Who could blame them?

After getting the opportunity to go out on the water myself, I have to say that Mike and Iris's hard work and dedication to the locals and tourists of Tybee has really paid off. The salt air, the wonderful tour guide, and of course the beautiful wild dolphins made for quite a memory! If you're looking for a tour you won't soon forget, skip the trollies in Savannah and come make some memories on an hour long tour with Mike and Iris.

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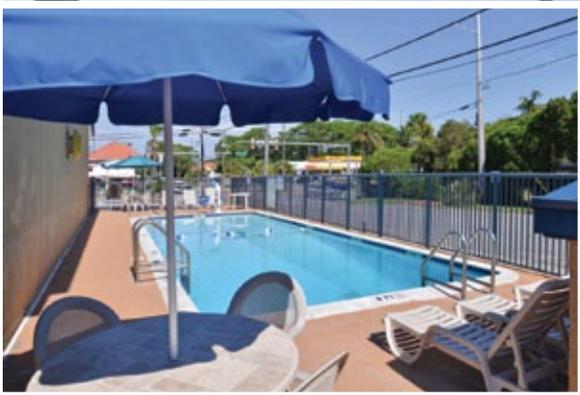
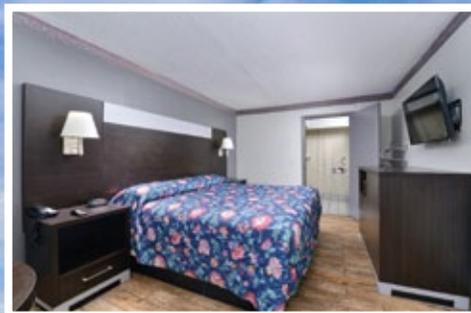
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3	Sa	4:03a 6.8	4:47p 7.0	10:36a 0.3	11:11p 0.6	6:18a	8:26p	3:18p	2:57a	
4	Su	4:54a 6.7	5:38p 7.2	11:26a 0.3		6:18a	8:27p	4:13p	3:30a	
5	Mo	5:44a 6.6	6:25p 7.3	12:03a 0.5	12:11p 0.2	6:17a	8:27p	5:06p	4:03a	
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- Go on a dolphin tour
- Visit Fort Pulaski
- Go Fishing! (deep sea fishing, surf fishing, pier fishing)
- Take a golf cart tour
- Visit the Marine Science Center
- Ride the bike path
- Go surfing, boogie boarding, paddle boarding
- Rent a kayak (and use it)
- Go shopping in our many unique shops
- Check out our great restaurants and bars
- Take in a live performance or movie at The Tybee Post Theater
- Go see a live theater production at the Black Box Theater
- 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



# THE SportsPage

By Woody Hemphill

Welcome to the doldrums of the sporting year, sports fans! I'm not sure about you, but after the Super Bowl left us feeling like we'd experienced a failed marriage, it's been difficult to 'buy into' team sports for many of us. Was it just me, or did we all watch the NFL draft like it was just another loosely-scripted reality show? Somewhere after another coronation of Brady, and the overlooking of Belichick as the prime cheater of his time, the plight of the Falcon fan may be gazed upon by historians much like soldiers returning home from an unpopular war. Somewhere after that great start, and eventual 'thud,' 'Falcon Nation' was forgotten. As much as we rallied around that team, the lackluster productivity of the Cobb County Braves of late has not translated into success on the field, or off. Even as a lifetime fan of professional Georgia teams, living all over the world, it appears we've all attended our last professional baseball game in the City of Atlanta. Apparently, we aren't the only ones having a hard time staying interested. About the only respite that anyone can find consensus on these days are that the programming changes around ESPN are not popular with any demographic – especially the on-air personalities being cast out by the politically-correct Disney flagship.

One of the most interesting aspects of these occurrences that I've heard is that the programming shake-up is related to the drop in the number of cable subscriptions that are dropping like the number of requests received by hairdressers for mullets after 1992 (depending on the region of the country you hail from...). Whether this is a correlation with the bundling of services and a la cart channel packages being offered by cable programming providers, or the ever-increasing formats that we receive media, these changes aren't sitting well with almost everyone.

Oddly enough, as formats change, ESPN network executives chose to replace what was once perceived as timeless standards and proven formats with diversity and youth. Yet, just when we thought that we were witnessing the final days of the ex-jock, on-air personalities that may not have 'registered' with the public, came the news that Tony Romo, along with Jay Cutler would be entering the announcing booth... I hate to come across as the 'old-guy at the club,' but Romo couldn't hold down an extra point in the playoffs, nor could he hold off a rookie for his starting job due to a shoulder that was made out of balsa wood, and a spine comprised of some type of sedimentary rock ... and most of us are convinced that Jay Cutler is color-blind.

Isn't it odd how questionable moves made by Jerry Jones, who owns the Dallas Cowboys and serves as his own GM, made Tony Romo a fan-favorite due to his signing of Brandon Wheedon, as his back-up in 2015. Another questionable move came this off-season when Chicago, Jay Cutler's former team, chose to sign a back-up QB for millions, and then drafted a QB in the first few picks – a move made by giving away virtually every pick available in the first three rounds over the next two years ... despite having a gaping need at several positions on the football field.

There are several teams under new leadership that have shown what I would perceive as 'acumen' in their administration of the draft, salary cap, and team moves - starting with what has been commonly referred to as the "fleecing" of Chicago for their draft picks by new San Francisco GM, John Lynch, who was also a former NFL athlete in Tampa during their heyday under John Gruden. Don't look now, but former Super Bowl winning coach Tom Coughlin has also been given the reigns at his former

stop in Jacksonville, and if they were careful not to overspend on defense, and can find protection for chronically-unproven Blake Bortles, there could finally be some shuffling of the AFC South this year. Unfortunately, Joe Montana couldn't win with the offensive line that they've put on the field in Bortles last two seasons. No pass protection and no running game usually equals a high draft pick. I may eat these words by the end of the season, but I don't see the Jags under Coughlin being perennial doormats for long. Hopefully, their curse of first-round picks getting injured for the year during training camp will come to an end this season. The team has already announced that they will not hold first-round pick, RB Leonard Fournette, out of conditioning drills. A cornerstone of Coughlin's success has always been a punishing runner (e.g. Fred Taylor, Tiki Barber, Ahmad Bradshaw, etc), so we'll see how this team responds.

Until next month, get your chores done around the house because football season will be here soon enough. Enjoy the beach season, and may all your teams win!

## Living on Tybee Time

By Margie McLellan

### Summer time is here on Tybee Island!

It's funny to me how our island changes in the summer, going from a quiet, laid-back seaside community of colorful characters, to one of the top beach destinations in the south. There are people, people everywhere, not to mention traffic congestion, parking issues, bicyclers, pedestrians, and ... did I mention people, people everywhere? But when you get out in the hustle and bustle of activity here this time of the year, you have to admit that it's fun and exciting to be a part of it, and actually get to live here too!

My house sits a few blocks back from the beach on a quiet little street made up of old Tybee homes. I can sit on my back porch and enjoy the peace and quiet there. I have a small garden, lots of flowers, and I love spending my time just enjoying the serenity. I feel like I'm in my own little world. But all I have to do is walk out the front door and it's like I have become transported somewhere else. When I walk down the street I am shocked with all the people, cars and activity going on. It's like Wow! Where did all these people come from?? And when I go to the beach, I am amazed at how many people are there, enjoying the beauty of our island.

I have met so many people since I've lived here. And a lot of them don't live here, they are tourists. As a Tybee local, the visitors and tourists love talking to us. The first thing they always ask me is, "Wow! You live here? Do you like it here?" I always answer with, "No, but someone's got to do it, so I volunteered." Next they say, "Why don't you like it?" Duh!! Then I usually say something like, "The people here are really weird, the island is too small, etc." Eventually most of them get my humor (sometimes I don't even get my humor).

But the funny thing is that I'll be sitting in a restaurant or bar (okay, more likely a bar) and some unknown person will come up to me and say, "Hi! Remember me? I met you last time I was here!" They remember my name, where we were, what we were doing, what band we were listening to, etc. Sometimes I do remember them, but most times not. But, being the very nice person I am, I always say, "Of course I remember you! How are you? Blah, blah, blah."

What I'm getting at is that I feel it's important to showcase our little island and the people who live here in a good, positive way. Get out there and be your best quirky self. Be nice to our visitors and take the time to talk to them. Whether you realize it or not, YOU are part of the island experience, and people will long remember you if you show them what we are made of here. There are so many awesome characters here, so many unique people that have somehow found this little island and call it home, and so many people that I am proud to call my friends. I'm so happy to call this place my home. I love living on Tybee Time!



## HAPPY 25TH ANNIVERSARY FANNIE'S ON THE BEACH!

By Alaina Loughridge

**T**he year was 1992. Sitting in her car in the parking lot off Strand Avenue, **Jenny Orr** was trying to figure out what to do with the rest of her life. At 30 years old, she had just left her corporate job and had two prospects in other states that were beckoning. What to do? She did not want to go back to mainstream corporate blah. There had to be something else. There was a breeze blowing and the sun was shining as she sat and contemplated this dilemma. All she did was look

half of the money she had left on a main sign. A great Tybee artist and her good friend, Kitty Strozier, designed the Logo. Hand written menus were the order of the day...The Tybee Way!

As Jenny recalls, *"That was a fun 45 days!! Then school returned and business DIED! I mean dead. You could literally count the cars coming to Tybee during the week. It was sooo slooow that many days we would walk down to the beach and surf fish until we saw or heard cars. Then we would have to run up the stairs to the sea wall and across the parking lot to cook 2 hamburgers and pour a few beers."* Her buddy, Leonard Guyer, would take a break from his hard work at Cobb's Hotel, and spent many a day keeping the Fannie's staff company while they were waiting for customers. He told Jenny so much about the history of Tybee and the characters who lived here. Eventually this turned into the Fannie's **"Bored Meeting."** The original "Bored Members" were John and Judy



up and the answer was right in front of her: Bill's Grill, originally opened circa 1958, now closed, sat forlorn and desolate...and beckoning. The idea was born and Jenny's fire was lit!

Back then Tybee had about a 3 month season - Memorial Day to Labor Day - and during the off-season it was a ghost town. Jenny purchased the building on Friday, June 19th and opened on Saturday, June 20th. With the help of Smokey at Kem Dist, Coca Cola and Sam's Club, they got enough product in on Friday to open for the weekend! Jenny said, *"I had my mom, my brothers, my good friend Wendy, and my staff of professionals - 2 teenagers, JT Schroeder and Demetrius Simon."* After two bottles of Chardonnay, the name **Fannie's** was born. Jenny spent



O'Neil, Chicago Bob, Trolley Joe, Michael Elliot and QUEEN ROMA. Around this time the old Desoto Hotel and Shipwreck Lounge was torn down and the new Desoto Beach Hotel was being built. *"We inherited Queen Roma and she was our matriarch until her passing. She brought her strong opinions and lots of laughs daily for many years. She is still present at our Bored Meetings I am sure. We sure do miss the Queen,"* says Jenny.

Jenny confesses that she never would have made it without the locals. With only 1500 people living on Tybee year round, if you couldn't get them in the door consistently, you were doomed for failure. Not so in this case: The Mitchell's, Sheehans, special props to Dirty Dan for his guidance and humor, and so many others, not to mention the help of the same families coming to visit consistently year after year, kept Fannie's doors open.

Then the greatest thing happened. The County passed the sales tax referendum to rebuild the Tybee Pier and Pavilion!! Then it was announced that Savannah would get the Olympic Sailing and possible Olympic Volleyball for Tybee. EVERYTHING CHANGED!

In March of 1998, Fannie's was successful enough to build a second floor which is aptly named *THE BIG DECK*. In May 2005, the third floor was added.



Through the years Fannie's built a reputation for good food and good times. It also became the party spot and place to be. Through it all, Christy Alan (of the famous *Christy Alan Band*) has been there through the thick and the thin. In the beginning, it was Christy's idea to open during the day and serve lunch. Christy would cook and one waitress would be out front. A best friend forever, Christy was the one that screamed, "*Free drinks at Doc's!*" and hosed people down with water to get them to leave at two in the morning. It is hard to leave a rocking party and no one wanted to go. As Jenny says, "*Christy Alan will always be a part of Fannie's and a big reason for its success.*"

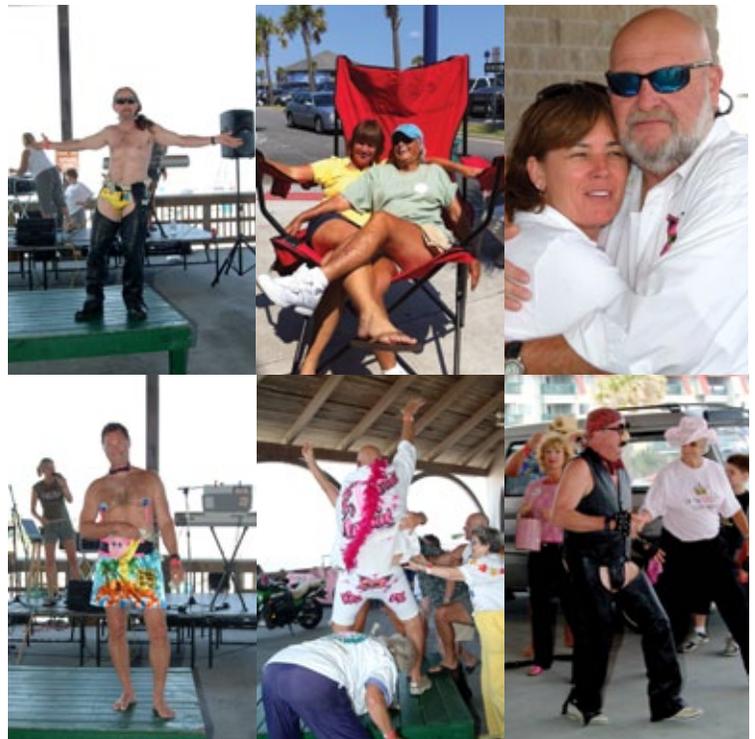
Jenny is big on community and has contributed a lot to a variety of causes and events on Tybee. Her favorite yearly event was the "*Best Fannie on the Beach.*" This event raised thousands of dollars for diabetes research and was the hit of the year. Fifteen to twenty of Tybee's local men would dress up in their finest tear-away clothes to strip down to their skivvies and have money stuffed into their underwear! The dressing room contained two bottles of Cuervo and two bottles of Crown to get the men in the right frame of mind. The most memorable moment was when David Ring's "Big Surprise" fell out of his leopard print women's panties. His wife, Diane, didn't miss a beat and stepped up and put him back together again, and David kept on shaking his money maker! LOL!! Now, that would have been something to bear witness to!

Everyone hears various stories throughout their time here in Paradise about Fannie's, and Jenny says everything you hear is true. Jenny has great fondness and memories of all of the families that continuously visit Fannie's throughout the years. She remembers them all and loves seeing the youngsters she met long ago now visiting with families of their own. This also includes the staff, some of whom have been with her for many, many years, and she is delighted to see them grow.



So here we are 25 years later... Jenny proclaims, "*It's been a fun ride and I have been blessed to meet so many fantastic people. There are so many people to thank that I don't have enough room, but you know who you are and you will always be a part of Fannie's and always near and dear to my heart.*" Cheers to that and you can bet your Fannie there will be many more fun memories to be made in the future!

Come help Fannie's celebrate their 25th Anniversary, starting Friday, June 17. There will be lots of music and fun, with the finale on Tuesday, June 20th from noon til 9pm, featuring The Christy Alan Band, Randy "Hatman" Smith, and more. Fannie's is located at 1613 Strand Ave.





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Yes! Of course! I personally don't like people, and I especially don't like knowing about them, but if this is your idea of fun, let's roll with it.

First and foremost, the most Southern thing there is (besides lack of public school funding, and the bar to dentist office ratio being 38:1) and what Southerners are very proud of is what is called a "Low Country Boil." Low Country Boils are when a large pot is filled with water and brought to a boil. A seasoning is added, usually something full of sodium, and stirred. Most frequently lemons are cut up and thrown in. It starts with potato and sausage, then corn and crab, and finally shrimp is added (in the shell, or death outfit as I like to call it). This is all heated, stirred, and finally, poured onto a table covered in newspaper. Short version. Now, here's the perfect walk-through to help you accomplish this:

A Low Country Boil consists of the most alpha male in the group. Pause. To a Yankee, Midwesterner, or West Coaster, this would be the most dominant male in the group. Unpause. In the South this term tends to refer to the most functioning alcoholic of the lot, and the one who should be left in charge of making fire. To achieve Alpha status you must first prove you're worthy by consuming large amounts of high end beer like Coors Lite or Michelob Ultra early in the morning. Once you're good and sauced, it's time to start a fire. In most civilized societies, fire wood from a tree is used, frequently paired with a starter log. In the south, the preferred method is wolmanized wood, or bits of broken furniture and assorted odds and ends strewn about your property. Once the fire is going, remember that no one makes a Low County Boil over a wood burning flame, and pull out your propane heater. Most gas stations sell propane, which is smart since all of our most combustible liquids should be stored near each other under a faded no smoking sign.

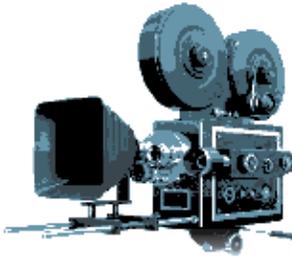
When you have your flame going, it's time to fill a large pot with water. And I mean LARGE pot, something Anne Geddes would cook a child in - I mean use to photograph a child in. Once you have acquired this pot, fill it with water. Bottled water is the preferred method. I use La Croix but I grew up better than all of you, so you can use the hose if that's what you like. Once you have the large pot of water over your heat source, I recommend staring at it. This is the best way to insure the water boils quickly. As the water is coming to a boil, you should be slowly mixing in your preferred seasoning. Popular brands include Louisiana, Old Bay, Zatarains, Slap Ya Mama, and my favorite - the spicy mix they sold at Bowie's Seafood until those jerks closed up shop. Way to ruin my life.

Now that you've added your mix, it's time to cut some lemons in half. My chef at work taught me to squeeze the lemons in your fist; not only does this extract the juice, but it also helps locate any abrasions you may have on your hand (you are most welcome to add onion to your boil, however I choose not). At this point I would enter the potatoes and sausage to your boil. Allow them both to boil for ten to fifteen minutes. Once they've boiled, it's time to add the corn and crab. Now the crab of choice is Blue Crab. It's plentiful in the waters around Tybee (and Little Tybee). These crabs are very easy to identify - if you're walking in the water, and something bites your foot and won't let go, that's a Blue Crab.

I recommend using these sons of bitches since they taste delicious, and I have a personal grudge against one. Let them boil another ten minutes then add some shrimp. The shrimp should be boiled around 5 minutes, then pour the water off, and dump the contents of your pot directly on the table like this is some undeveloped nation.

If you're simple, the highlight of a boil is getting to eat off the newspaper. I don't know where you get them since print is dead. But I'm sure eBay sells them. Now some say you don't have to drink at a Low Country Boil, in the same sense that you also don't have to be outside for a beach party. It's ultimately unavoidable. The best I can recommend is lite beer, a magnum of chardonnay, and possibly fireball. Or Jaeger.

Once everyone is full and drunk you'll be the hit of the neighborhood. Hope you find this useful!



# MOVIE REVIEW

By Alaina Loughridge



## gifted (A Tybeewood Movie)

I know. It's about time I went to the movies and enlightened my hardcore fans about what to watch. Well, everyone on Tybee MUST see this movie!! Not only do we have appearances by our very own **Ron Goralczyk** (as a taxi driver no less) and **Sean McNally** (as a bar patron no less), along with several other locals we know, but most every single scene was shot directly on Tybee with minor to no details changed. From Pooos to that little house on Butler, it is **Tybeewood** y'all!

Chris Evans (*Captain America*) stars as the uncle to Mckenna Grace (of nothing you will remember - she is, after all, 11 years old). He is charged with her care after his sister/her mom dies. After home schooling her for several years, he sends her off to May Howard (known as Howard School in the movie). There they discover that this precocious child is a math protégé with exceptional gifts (my adding skills aren't even acceptable, so I was blown away by her). Well Mom/Grandma comes along, played brilliantly by Lindsay Duncan (the drunken lady in *Under the Tuscan Sun*) and wants the kid to go to a school for specially gifted children: Court battle to follow. I am not going to ruin the ending for either one of us, but just know it is worth the watch.

Octavia Spencer (*of The Help*) also stars as the neighbor everyone wants for their own and, of course, is brilliant! There are several other actors involved, but you won't know them off the bat and you don't care anyway.

**Tybee Post Theater** deserves a huge shout out for putting on several showings of this fantastic movie. So easy - you didn't even have to drive to Victory (you know, that place far away across the bridge).

I give this movie 5 bottles of Gout de Diamants, Taste of Diamonds (at a mere \$2.07 million per bottle) because we are Tybee and that's how we roll (when we are not drinking PBR). Now, I am going to go get Ron and Sean's autographs! I am going to see if Sean's beard will also give me an autograph!

# COMBINING THE BEACH WITH HILARY

By Hilary Junewicz



After a couple months break from *Combing the Beach*, thank you, I've come to notice Tybee is getting BUSY! I know this is a random opening, but if you're reading this I'm serious. Keep your eyes peeled while driving. We have newly marked and flashing intersections that you must stop at for pedestrians. Also, be sure to look both ways when pulling out from a side street; there are bicyclists (like myself) everywhere. I've already had some close calls almost getting hit by a car. I must admit I enjoy the challenge of defensive driving on my bike like I'm in a big city, but I sure don't want anyone getting hurt. Anyway, let's see what's going on around here!

- 1 Hook and Donna were at *Huc A Poos*. They're back! Speaking of Hook, the next couple of photographs were given to me courtesy of him!
- 2 There were many trees downed due to Hurricane Matthew. This little tree made it through the storm on the beach of *Little Tybee*.
- 3 Little Tybee has proved to collect many intriguing finds in the aftermath of the storm. *Tybee Island Marine Science Center* verified that these plates are the remains of *Sturgeon fish*! They outlived the dinosaurs! What an awesome find Hook!
- 4 It was heartwarming to witness Jack, a.k.a. "Coach Miller" celebrate his 87th birthday at *Huc A Poos*. He was a high school coach for 53 years at Savannah Christian and North Georgia. He also has been a Grand

Marshall in the Tybee Beach Bum Parade! He certainly looked happy!

- 5 I enjoyed browsing in *A Touch of Tybee*, a new store featuring beach house furniture décor and more. I got a kick out of these candles. Ha ha, "*Tybee Water Causes Tybee Tattoos*"!!! They're adorable, they smell great and I want one!
- 6 Shane is *North Island Surf and Kayak* @ 912-786-4000. He's been in business for 14 years and this year already has the markings of a good season. He says he is a slave to Mother Nature because she's in charge!
- 7 I sat with Claire and Jimmy at the *Quarter Sports Bar & Grill* on April 28th, the eve before Jimmy's 73rd birthday AND their 35th wedding anniversary. How clever! Congratulations!
- 8 If you're going to have *Graffiti* on a beautiful island, it might as well be this! Perfectly said, right in the middle of the pier with the beach right behind it! Whoever did this gets it! Thank you for taking the time to do this, I noticed!
- 9 What a crew at the end of the pier at *Riptide Bait and Tackle*: Jay, Evelyn and Larry. They say Tennessee please; I say thanks for all



your help! See you next time I'm fishing and cross someone's line, or catch a big skate...? Or bonnet head!

**10** Looks like a fun time was had on Cinco de Mayo at the *Rail Pub* in Savannah with these Tybee folks **Essie, Swanny, Margaret, Bob and Brown**. Fiesta, forever!

**11** I checked out the new addition to *Sting Ray's* and finally met **Big Ray!** They're going to call Sting Ray's upper deck *Johnson's Place*.

**12** Met **Cindy of Ty-B-Dye** at the Tybee Island Farmers' Market. She has 3 standard designs and her stand will vary week to week. Hey, she loves Tybee Beachcomber!

**13** Much gratitude to **Jimmy** who works part time in the afternoons for *Tybee Island Animal Control*. His main concern is animals left in cars in the summertime. He sees it every day. OH NO!

**14** Now's the time for the perfect sunset dinner at *A-J's Dockside*. **Morgan** was our super friendly and knowledgeable server. Thank you! Worth the wait, as always.

**15** This is how I like spending my Tuesday nights on Tybee. Playing friendly competitive pool at the *Quarter* with people like **Jodee**,

**Steve, Roger, Joey, Michelle, Daniel, Bruce and Tootie**.

**16** Others like **Vicky, Trina, Denise, Steve, Yogi, Sheila, Margaret, Bonnie and Nick** enjoy teaming up for rounds of trivia at *Coco's Sunset Grille* on Tuesday nights.

**17** **Jennifer and Stephan** are at yet another all-out burlesque show at *Bernie's Oyster House*. Bernie's has great parties and quite a team going on there.

**18** **Destiny and Ashton** would like you to come check out the local artists at *Blue Heaven*, a gallery, located at 23 B Tybrisa Street, downtown Tybee. Happy 1st day to Ashton!

**19** Guess we say goodbye to the old restaurant *Marlin Monroe's* at the coronation of the Beach Bum Parade this year. **Joel** was there with last year's **Beach Bum Queen, Carol**.

**20** We also said hello to the new restaurant at the same location, *The Deck*. It's charming! We also said hello to the **2017 Beach Bum Queen, Boo!** I know 2 queens!!!

Remember, Slow down and relax. We're all trying to get to the same place, Tybee: the beach. We're on an island, not the mainland...

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## June Fishing Forecast

### TYBEE PIER FISHING

Spanish Mackerel, Bluefish, Whiting, Pompano, Speckled Sea Trout, Sheepshead, Black Drum Ladyfish, and I wouldn't be surprised if a Tarpon showed up near the end of the month. A double dropper rig on the bottom with Shrimp is a simple setup that catches most these fish. For the Trout, live Shrimp will produce more fish. As far as Spanish Mackerel, a Gotcha Plug or live Finger Mullet will be prime choices. If you see Tarpon around, try using live or cut Mullet and Whiting for a chance at hooking one up.



### INSHORE

Now is the time the Flounder, Redfish, and Speckled Sea Trout are all feeding. This month is a great time to target the Flounder in the shallow waters in the creeks. Fishing the outgoing tide along any kind of structure will produce bites. Oyster rakes, dock pilings, jetties, or wrecks will all be prime spots. For Flounder, I like to fish a Carolina style rig, starting with a half-ounce egg weight on the main line tied to a ball bearing swivel, a twelve inch leader to a 2/0 to 4/0 Kahle hook, depending on the size of bait I am using. Live Mud Minnows and live Finger Mullet are my go to baits this time of year. For the Speckled Sea Trout and Redfish, I fish live Mud Minnows under a cork.

### NEAR SHORE

The waters are warm and every species of fish can be found. The King Mackerel are in full force. In my opinion, there is nothing like having a drag screaming run with the fish taking 300 yards on line in mere seconds. These fish will get the adrenaline pumping for sure. Live Menhaden, Greenies, and Blue Runners are the best baits for snagging that drag smoking King Mackerel. The reefs from 50 to 75 feet of water are also holding Cobia, Black Sea Bass, Triggerfish, Spadefish, and many other bottom fish to be found right now.



### OFF SHORE

This time of year the temperature breaks are harder to find, but they are around. Sometimes it's easy to pass the fish. Many days I have seen the Mahi, Wahoo and Blackfin Tuna in close. Watch the water color and keep an eye out for bait schools - the fish won't be far from it. The bottom bite is still hot. Grouper, Vermillion Snapper, and Triggerfish are some of the few fish you can expect to see. Even while bottom fishing, don't forget to have one flat line out just in case some pelagic species show up.

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## For A Better Us. For A Better Tybee

By Sarah Chambers

The Tybee Island YMCA would like to take an opportunity to say THANK YOU to each person who donates their time, talents and treasures to the YMCA!! We could not make the impact that we do without your support and commitment!

From coaching youth sports, working skate night, helping at community outreach events, reading to campers in the summer, being a member of a subcommittee or the board of managers, to playing a part in the daily operations of the facility and programs we offer - EVERY VOLUNTEER MAKES SUCH AN IMPACT!!!

A special Tybee volunteer was nominated for *Volunteer of the Year* at the YMCA of Coastal Georgia's recent Annual Meeting. **Monty Parks** is a member

of the City Council on Tybee Island and an avid activist for clean beaches. Although he is involved in many things, Monty is also our highly dedicated Family Skate Night DJ. He DJs on nights and weekends, and one day offered to volunteer at our monthly skate nights. Every month Monty comes in and sets up his DJ equipment and lightshow for Skate Night. He takes song requests from the kids and parties right along with them! Without him, Skate Night would not be the same. Beginning as a member, and then a skate night volunteer, Monty now participates in many other of our community events!! We are very grateful for his service and his love for our YMCA and the impact it makes.

Volunteering benefits everyone. It provides a sense of belonging, accomplishment, and fulfillment. It is easy to get involved! Reach out to an organization or cause that you are passionate about, or want to learn more about - and jump in! You may find that you are able to benefit a particular organization through your professional skill set, or just by being an active set of hands. However you choose to be involved, know that you make a difference.

Thank you again to every volunteer who spends time investing in others! If you are interested in learning more about becoming a volunteer at the YMCA, please contact us at 912-786-9622 or [Laura.schmarkey@ymcaofcoastalga.org](mailto:Laura.schmarkey@ymcaofcoastalga.org).

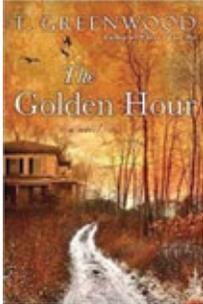
### Upcoming events:

- **Summer Day Camps & Specialty Camps Weekly!**
- **YMCA at the Savannah Bananas:** Wednesday, June 14 | 6 pm | \$15 all-you-can-eat ticket | See Y Front Desk
- **Family Skate Night:** Friday, June 16 | 6-8 pm | \$4/skater



# BOOK REVIEW

By Nell Klein



## THE GOLDEN HOUR

By T. Greenwood

Sometimes a book jumps out at you and you feel like you just have to read it. **The Golden Hour** is just such a book and it surely didn't disappoint. It captured my interest from the first page and didn't let go until the end.

Twenty years ago, 13 year-old Wyn Davies took a shortcut through the woods in her hometown of Haven, New Hampshire, and something terrible happened to her. Robby Rousseau confessed to the crime and has spent the last 20 years in prison. Although there was a confession, DNA testing may get Robby a new trial. Wyn has never told anyone the truth about what happened that day in the woods, so what really did happen?

Now 20 years later, Wyn, a struggling artist, lives in Queens, NY, in half of a duplex while her husband, Gus, lives in the other half. They have recently split up but they share the responsibilities of their 5 year-old daughter, Avery (a total brat in my opinion). To clear her head about the possibility of a new trial, Wyn agrees to spend the winter on a remote island in Maine in an old house that her best friend, Pilar, has recently purchased. While rummaging around in the basement, Wyn discovers a box full of undeveloped 35mm rolls of film labeled "*Epitaphs and Prophecies*." Wyn is intrigued so she gets a few rolls developed, starting with the first labeled 7/12/76. She discovers that the film belonged to the former owner of the house who disappeared 35 years ago. What's on the pictures is truly mysterious (and some are downright pornographic) and Wyn wants to find out as much about the woman as she can. The more of the pictures that she gets developed, the more the story of this woman and her life emerges. What exactly the story of the pictures and what happened to Wyn 20 years ago have in common is anybody's guess. But it still makes for a really good read.

I give this book 4 roses in spite of the fact that it held my interest from beginning to end. I questioned the ending a bit because it left several unanswered questions, but I was satisfied enough to draw my own conclusions. This was really a beautifully written book and I highly recommend it!

*Until next time, read a book. If it's a good read, pass it on!*

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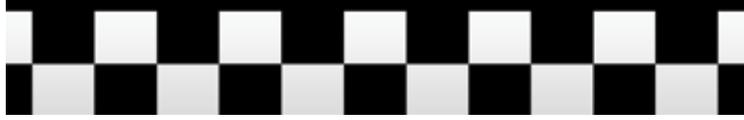


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# TAXITALES

By Joey Goralczyk



Breezy has always loved their dogs. Before we started driving Breezy, we loved them and nothing has changed on that front. They have always ridden for free (I mean canines, not ugly chicks). In the golf cart days, we used to take ours to Memorial park after a shift and break a few no-leash laws. If a dog goes missing, we've always been happy to send out word to our drivers to keep their eyes open for them. I've personally stopped in the middle of traffic and chased down a few familiar pups when I've spotted them while driving. In the past few months I've heard and seen some really remarkable dog tales, and I feel I must share. So, here goes it...

A lot of our locals will go camping on Little Tybee and take their furry friends along. I personally don't, but My dogs are little prima donnas who will lower the AC themselves if it gets above 74 degrees in the house. Some dogs do seem to enjoy it though, chasing wild hogs and frolicking thru the marsh mud. This however, is the story of one that DID NOT enjoy himself at all, and decided to take matters into his own hands, or paws, or whatever.  **Scooter**  rides with us a good little bit. He likes to hang out on the south end with his owner. He's a cute little mixed Sharpei, and we all love him. After a day or two over in the wilderness, Scooter decided it was time to go, with or without his owner. This very ambitious and athletic pup SWAM ACROSS Tybee Creek! I don't know exactly how far he swam, but I don't care. It's impressive for an Olympian, much less a dog. It doesn't end there though...

After his swim, our boy ended up running to one of our day-shifter's house and waited for a cab in his driveway. I don't know if he asked for a beer when he got there, but I guess all that doggy-paddling tuckered him out and he didn't feel like walking to Estill Hammock. As his owner scoured two islands looking for his buddy, Breezy was calling non-stop to let him know Scooter had beaten him home. Great swim buddy, glad the sharks didn't get you!

The second act of this article concerns  **Titan** , a big Chocolate Lab who resided right down the street from Scooter, on Pelican. Unfortunately, Titan lived in one of the houses that burned down a couple of weeks ago. When the fire broke out, some really great neighbors got him out. So we knew he was out, but in the commotion Titan went missing. There were some really frightened people that day. Breezy helped out as much as we could, with a few drivers coming in on their day off to assist in the search effort. As hard as we all looked though, and despite a few false alarms, things were not going well. The tide in the marsh was so low that day that the two houses were a complete loss. It wasn't looking good.

Then thankfully, after sunset some good friends of Titan called to report they had found him! Titan had taken off after escaping the house, and I can only imagine in a panic he took a page out of Scooter's book and bolted across the marsh. I don't know how he made it. That marsh is no place for land-loving animals, and the tide was so low that the marsh mud had to be like quicksand. Sure enough though, a couple of friends found him walking down South Campbell covered in mud, but still with us. Remarkable! As devastating as that fire was, I'm so happy that a couple of our friends at least have their big boy back with them. I know that my dogs, Cash and Tallulah, are dearer to me than a lot of cousins I've got. I probably shouldn't say that, but it's true! Love my animals!

Let me end by saying how awesome it is to see this Island come together and pick up the pieces for some really good friends that lost so much in that fire. That's why I love it here so much. You move here for the beach, but you stay here for the people. Going out to Danny, Danielle, The Bazemores, and of course, Titan, we love you!

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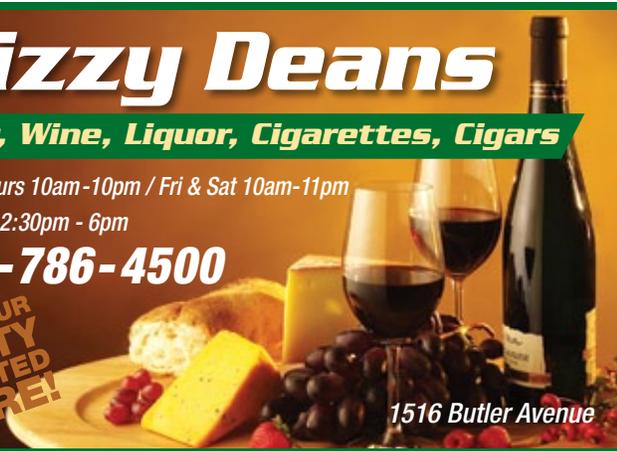
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# Foodie Finds

By Jenn Abbuhl

## Jenn's Shrimp n Shroom Pasta (with bacon, naturally)



### Ingredients:

- 1 pack thick sliced bacon (Can't beat the Best Choice brand at the IGA)
- 1 lb. Ga wild shrimp (the fresh shrimp from the IGA comes from Hank Groover) peeled (I'm too lazy to devein, but to each their own)
- 16 oz. Portobello Mushrooms, roughly chopped
- 1 onion, diced
- 2 cloves garlic, diced
- 16 oz. angel hair pasta
- Parmesan
- Balsamic Vinegar
- Olive Oil
- Dried Oregano



### Instructions:

- All things good and magical start with bacon. Cut bacon into small pieces (lardons, if you're fancy) and fry slowly until crisp, rendering all of the fat. Once bacon is crisp, remove from pan, saving all the fat in the pan.
- Add mushrooms and onions, fry on medium heat until softened. Once those are soft, add garlic and cook a couple more minutes until fragrant. Season to taste with salt and pepper (Now is about time to get your pasta into well-salted boiling water). Remove the shroom mixture.
- There should be enough bacon grease left to fry up those beautiful shrimp. If there isn't, you can always add more from your stash (all Southern cooks should have a stash of bacon grease; hell, ALL cooks should, who am I kidding). If not, you can add olive oil. Once shrimp is cooked, remove the whole pan from heat and add the shroom mixture and bacon. Stir well and season with around a half Tbs. of oregano.
- Once pasta is cooked, drain, but reserve about a cup of the pasta water. Stir pasta, and bacony, shrimp, shroomy goodness all together, along with about 1/4 cup Parmesan. If it is too dry for your taste, add pasta water to your liking.
- Garnish with plenty of Parmesan and a dash of olive oil and balsamic vinegar. Chow down!!

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Sarah Bernzott, Marianne Bramble, Angela Caldwell, Vicki Hammons, Diane Kaufman, Steve Kellam, Julie Livingston, Ted Lynch, Melissa Memory, Melissa Turner) or me with suggestions and/or concerns re: economic vitality and preservation.

Take time to enjoy "Tybee time" and remember why those of us who live and work here are "lucky enough" and those who visit love returning.

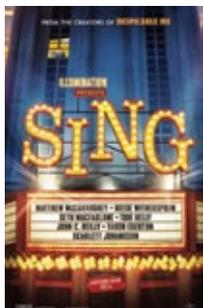
See you around town! Chantel

# Main Street Musings

Chantel Morton, Program Staff Director

It's finally summertime on Tybee and that means being outside as much as possible! Sure, the days are filled with sunbathing, gardening, bicycling, spiking volleyballs, etc., but what about when the sun goes down? What will you do with your kids, visiting friends and family, and out-of-town guests without spending too much of that hard-earned money? How about a movie? How about a movie shown outside? How about a movie shown outside for FREE?

The City's Development Authority/Main Street Program presents **Movies in the Park** on the third Saturday of the month in June, July, and August.



**Sing** is the movie that'll be shown on June 17. So, pack a picnic, grab a blanket and some beach chairs, and stake your spot at Memorial Park to enjoy *Sing*. The movie will begin once the sun sets and the stars in the sky begin to shine enough to let the stars be seen on the inflatable screen that will be in front of the Gym wall. Keep in mind that if there is inclement weather the movie will be moved indoors to the gym.

For those of you that might not be familiar with Memorial Park, it is centrally located behind City Hall and features lush grass, a covered playground, and a picnic pavilion. The location, with easy access to the bike route, makes this historic park one of our easiest accessible spots to relax. Plus, the park lighting provides enough illumination to facilitate navigating the area without negatively affecting the movie's visibility when the sky darkens enough. There is ample parking on Butler and in the park's parking lot, which can be accessed from Jones Avenue.

Whether you've already seen the movie or not, *Sing* is a great family film, rated PG. The setting of the movie takes place in a town with no humans, just animals that are like humans. Buster, the koala, realizes he's going to lose the grand theater he oversees unless he can raise enough money to keep it open. As an eternal optimist, Buster's concept is elaborate and involves producing the world's greatest singing competition. The promotional flyers go out and a typo on them attracts even more hopefuls than Buster expected! The story evolves from there as each character explores the expansiveness of their comfort zones and as attitudes shift.

For more information about the Tybee Island Development Authority / Main Street Program, upcoming city approved special events, "Door-to-Door News," Business / Community Matters, and Historic Preservation Spotlights, sign up for the monthly Main Street E-News by visiting [www.tybeelandmainstreet.com](http://www.tybeelandmainstreet.com). The Tybee Island Main Street FB page is updated on a regular basis as well. We invite you to like it.

As always, feel free to contact members of the Development Authority/ Main Street Board of Directors pictured next column above:

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## Writer's Block

**Joey Goralczyk** is featured as our first writer to appear in our new column, *Writer's Block*. Most, if not all of us, have encountered Joey somewhere on this island, as he is one of the drivers of Breezy Riders, our premiere taxi service here on Tybee. He is responsible for writing *Taxi Tales* each month (along with his dad, Ron), one of our favorite articles! Thank you Joey for regaling us with some of your tales.

**So naturally, we had to ask him the most important Questions of Life:**  
**Tybee Life:** 12 years  
**When I grow up I want to be:** A history professor  
**My Passion:** Southbound IPA, music and hanging out with good people  
**My Spirit Animal:** A Shrew

# Bartender of the MONTH



By Alaina Loughridge - Photo by Wen McNally



I am delighted to announce June's Bartender of the Month is **Taylor McCrary** from the **Tybee Island Social Club**! I knew Taylor from just being out and about, but didn't know the real behind the man. Lucky for all of us, I had a chance to sit down with Taylor and find out how he got here and what makes him tick.

Taylor was born in West Monroe, Louisiana. Moving to Charlotte, North Carolina in the early years, Taylor was raised with his brother in the banking capital of the planet. Going thru the motions of school that we all go through until we are old enough to check out, Taylor decided early on he did not want to become a banker.

Taylor's cousin called and Tybee beckoned with her sandy fingers! Starting out at a local bar/restaurant, Taylor quickly rose through the ranks. There is nothing like On the Job Training to either sink or swim. Swimming on to the Social Club, Taylor has found his niche.

**The four Questions of Life were asked:**

**Taylor has lived on Tybee for five years.**

**His passion is hanging out with his friends and playing video games.**

**When he grows up he wants to own his own business. Maybe service industry, maybe not. It depends on what happens.**

**His Spirit Animal is a Tortoise...they are slow and live forever**

The best part of writing this is asking and drinking the Bartender of the Month's go to drink. Taylor's is called **Sun & Sand** and is made with Mescal,

Luxardo (I totally had to ask what that is – a maraschino cherry based liqueur), mixed with other citrus juices. It looks like dirty sock water, but tastes delish. It has a smoky elegance and it will have you singing Kumbaya before you know it!!

Go see Taylor at the Social! He is personable, cute as a button, and can make a killer drink! If you can guess what the citrus juice is, the drink is free! Just kidding, but don't hesitate to try that line.

# Tybee Turtle Tips



By Brenda Marion (with input from the Tybee Marine Science Center staff)

**Tybee loves its turtles!** From directional signage to public art, you can find representations of turtles scattered all across the island. Here are the top 10 turtle tips to keep you in-the-know about this treasured marine creature.

1. Turtles are ancient - they've been around for millions of years.
2. All 7 sea turtle species are considered endangered.
3. Leatherback turtles eat their weight in jellyfish daily (they can weigh up to 1000+ pounds!).
4. Sea turtles use the magnetic field of the earth in conjunction with ocean gyres to aid in long migrations.
5. Sea turtle nesting season on Tybee runs May 1 until October 31. Last year we didn't see our first nests until June, but we still ask Tybee residents and visitors alike to refrain from using lights at night - if you can see your light from the beach, so can sea turtles, which can lead them landward instead of to the sea.
6. Eggs in the warm area of the nest will hatch as girls and those in the cool area will hatch as males (girls are hot, boys are cool!).
7. Most females return faithfully to nest on the very beach where they were born.
8. Male sea turtles almost never return to land once they leave the sand of their natal beach.
9. Nictitating membranes pump excess salt from glands near their eyes, making sea turtles sometimes appear to be crying.
10. The Tybee Sea Turtle Project volunteers are permitted and trained by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, which is why not just anyone with free time to spare is able to assist with the project. Tybee sees mostly loggerhead nests, although we occasionally get green turtles nesting and had a leatherback false crawl a few years back. "Like" the Tybee Sea Turtle Project on Facebook to learn about nests and numbers of hatchlings as these dedicated volunteers help "our" turtles survive and thrive.

Want to learn more about Tybee's turtles? Stop by the Tybee Marine Science Center! They are open daily from 10am to 5pm and provide programs on the beach, in the marsh, and in their Coastal Gallery. Go to [www.tybeemarinescience.org](http://www.tybeemarinescience.org) for more information.

# SHOPS AT TYBEE OAKS



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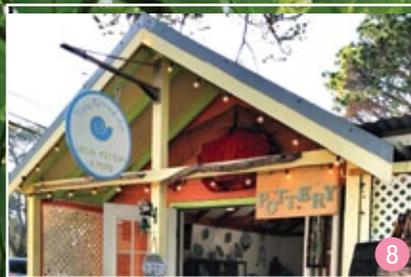
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**American Legion Post 154** - Canteen open 5pm Monday-Saturday, First Mondays Pizza Night 5-7pm, Bar Games Tuesday and Thursday 6-9pm, Line Dancing Wednesday 7pm, Thursday Dinners 5:30-7:30pm, Bingo (come early!) and Karaoke Friday 8-10pm. 10 Veterans Dr.

**Benny's Tavern** - Happy Hour Monday thru Friday 10am-7pm, Open Pool Tuesday all day, Pool Tournament Wednesday 8pm, Karaoke Friday and Sunday 9pm. Kitchen open Friday and Saturday from 4pm-?? and all day Sunday. 1517 Butler Ave.

**Bernie's Oyster House** - Bernie's Mason Jar Bloody Mary, 7 Draft Taps to choose from, Home of the "Pop Rock Jello Shots," Drink Specials, Outdoor patio with 65" HD TV. Check us out! 13 Tybrisa St.

**Bubba Gumbo's** - Open daily at noon. Happy Hour 4-7pm with \$1 off beers and \$9.95 Shrimp Dinner. 50 cent oysters and wings on Sunday. Hi Life and Jameson Shot specials on Monday. 3 Old Highway 80.

**Doc's Bar** - Happy Hour Monday thru Friday 4-7pm, Jam Night Tuesday 7pm, Karaoke Thursday 8pm, Live music Friday and Saturday 9pm. 10 Tybrisa St.

**Fannie's on the Beach** - Live music on weekends. Saturday and Sunday Brunch Specials. Anniversary Party on Tuesday, June 20! 1613 Strand Ave.

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**Nickie's 1971 Bar and Grill** - Happy Hour Monday thru Friday 4-7pm, Texas Hold Em Sunday 7pm, Monday thru Wednesday 8pm, Tuesday Open Mike Night 8pm, Sips and Scenes Paint Party Wednesday at 7pm, 8 Ball Pool Tournament and Karaoke Thursday 7pm, Live Band Friday and Saturday 9pm-?? 1513 Butler Ave.

**Social Club** - 2 for 1 Sangria's Monday-Thursday, Live Music Friday thru Sunday, Bluegrass Brunch Sunday at 11am. 1311 Butler Ave.

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## BARTENDERS ARE HUMAN TOO

Bar Chronicles is usually reserved for bartenders who want to vent about their hatred for their customers anonymously. So you can understand that's why I began the article, because those that know me know that I, more than anyone, appreciate a good venting of the spleen in an f bomb dropping orgasmo of hatred of those that have done pissed me off, all the while doing it under the cover of someone else. Ah, anonymity. While I still love that little undercover scene and will continue to use it at will, it is time to fess up. Bartenders aren't perfect. Even super-human, bionic, amazing Marvel characters error now and again. So, here are three stories (all three errors that I could get any one of us to admit to) that I may or may not have been at the center of...

- I came in for shift change one day and there were five drunk, loud, and obnoxious ladies hanging out at the bar. The day shift bartender had cashed them out and was in the back doing the money and paperwork. I was out front prepping for another wonderful evening when the loudest and drunkest of them all hollered out that she needed another cocktail. I said, *"No problem, what are you drinking?"* She said, *"Well hell, I don't remember! Go ask the other bartender."* So I went back to the office and said, *"Do you remember what the drunk bitch at the table was drinking?"* The day shift bartender looked up at me and said, *"Oh, you mean my mom?"* I damn near died.

- I was working along, doing my thing, and this little boy walked in. My bar is 21 and over, so I asked him if he was lost and looking for his mother. Hey, I have a heart too and I don't want a child wondering about alone. The little boy looked up at me and said, *"Look lady, I am a 40 year old woman and I would appreciate a little respect."* No words to say there.

- Everyone that walks into my bar always gets a *"Hey, how are you doing and have a seat wherever you would like."* So, this guy walked in and I said my spiel. He did not respond AT ALL. No eye contact, no head swivel of acknowledgement of any kind, nada. He kept cruising down the bar and, me being me, said, *"Well, I am good too! Thanks for asking!"* The guy turned to me and patted his ears and mouth with his hands. He was deaf and mute. I wish I could have died right there.

So, yes. Bartenders are human too. However, you didn't hear it from me. If you tell anyone I told you these tales of woe, I will deny it.





# Beach Walks with Dr. Joe

## It's Horseshoe Crab Time!

By Dr. Joe Richardson



When walking Tybee's beach during this time of year, it's not uncommon to see a live Horseshoe Crab washing around in the surf or partially buried in the wet sand. Now is when these animals move from offshore up onto the beach to pair-up and lay their eggs into the wet sand. We hear a lot about sea turtles using our nice sandy beaches for laying their eggs, but they do their beach activity at night, so we hardly ever get to observe it. But the Horseshoe Crabs are not as secretive, so your chance of getting to see them is much better.

A Horseshoe Crab is not really a crab or crustacean, but rather, they are very old members of the Arachnid group of animals that includes spiders

and scorpions. Like other Arachnids, they have a hard outer exoskeleton for protection. Although they look a bit scary, they really are harmless. The long pointed tail doesn't have a stinger or sticker, and it is used mostly for turning itself back over if it gets knocked upside down. Those pinchers at the ends of the legs are not really strong, so they don't have much of a pinch (nothing like a Blue Crab pinch). Its mouth is right there in the middle where all the legs come together. Offshore, Horseshoe Crabs burrow through the bottom searching for food like clams, snails and other smaller animals.

If you really want to get into Horseshoe Crab trivia, you can tell if you have a male or female! Look at the legs. A female has pinchers on all the legs including the first pair, so that first pair looks like all the others. A male has pinchers on all the legs except for the first pair. His first pair of legs will end with a "hook" instead of pinchers. He uses those hooks to hold on to the female when they are laying eggs in the sand.

I don't know that much of anything eats Horseshoe Crabs because there really isn't much meat inside them, and that hard exoskeleton provides a strong, effective protection. But they are actually harvested because they produce a very important biomedical product. Horseshoe Crab blood is blue, or at least bluish-purple, because it contains copper rather than iron like our blood. Once harvested, they are transported to a lab where some of their blood (or body fluid) is extracted with a syringe, and then they are transported back to the sea and released. Horseshoe Crab blood has a property that can detect certain impurities in our blood, so most all human blood products and artificial joints and other body parts are first screened with Horseshoe Crab blood extract to be sure they aren't infected with foreign and dangerous micro-organisms.

So during this time of the year, be on the watch for Horseshoe Crabs in the surf or on the beach. If they are partially buried in the sand, they will probably be okay til the tide comes back in.

*Dr. Joe Richardson is a retired marine science professor with 35+ years of research and teaching experience along GA and the southeastern coast and Bahamas. Besides research, he conducts Tybee Beach Ecology Trips year round ([www.TybeeBeachEcology.com](http://www.TybeeBeachEcology.com)) and frequently posts pictures of what they are finding on his Tybee Beach Ecology Trips Facebook page.*

# Bye, Felicia

By Jenny Ellis

Don't fight this. All you constantly hear about are hashtags, tweets, and snapchat stories gone viral, and it seems the farther you are from Tybee, the more **savage\*** the vocabulary is. Just when you've become comfortable with actually using **LOL**, **OMG**, or **OMW** without **SMH** in disgust, an infinite layer of internet viral buzzwords and acronyms that don't make any kind of sense lurk behind you. And while the millennials will **slay\*** their way around Tybee this summer, it's important to know that some of their lingo is **extra\*** and hard to understand. The truth about understanding these buzzwords is actually quite simple. I've broken them down into 3 categories to help any Tybee local understand the foreign language of Summer 2017:

**1. The Acronym:** An abbreviation formed from the initial letters of other words and pronounced as a word. Mostly becoming popular again to be convenient AF\* in texting, but also due to the character limit used while tweeting. Chances are what you text may be read by Mom and Dad, so they will have no idea what's being said. Think of this almost as Morse Code for the millennials. Important ones to know include: **Feels**, **Ship**, **Totes**, **GOAT**, **Hundo P**, **BAE**, **F.B.I.**

**2. The Recycled Word:** A word that already exists in the English language and already has an understood meaning but has been recycled by the internet to mean something very different. So if you are minding your business at (ENTER BAR NAME HERE), you might hear some words like: **Snatched**, **Sauce**, **Savage**, and **Tribe**. Please don't think a large group of violent, marinara-covered natives are headed your way to kidnap you. Those words have completely new meanings, see below for updated definitions.

**3. The Combo!** And my personal favorite. Mainly because anyone, even you Tybee

Locals, can make up these words and bring them to life. The combo is the easiest, merely combining 2 words into 1 to describe someone/something such as: **Hunty**, **Fugly**, **Askhole**, **Bedgasm**, **Cellfish**, **AfterClap**. Everyone has their favorite nouns and adjectives so just join some of them together! **Warning:** Most combo words are fightin' words, so please check meaning before yelling out while outnumbered.

## Definitions of Bold, Italic words with \* are real internet buzzwords:

**Bye, Felisha or Felish** - When you want someone to stop talking and walk away (from the movie "Friday")

Savage - Someone who doesn't care, badass, crazy

**LOL** - Laugh Out Loud

**OMG** - Oh My Gawd

**OMW** - On My Way

**SMH** - Shake my head

**Slay** - Killed it, dominated, successful

**Extra** - Over the top, unnecessary

**AF** - As F\*c\$, i.e., it's hot AF

**Feels** - Short for feelings or emotions

**Ship** - Short for relationship

**Totes** - Short for Totally

**GOAT** - Greatest. Of. All. Time.

**Hundo P** - Short for 100%

**Bae** - Short for baby, babe (also means poop in Swedish)

**F.B.I.** - Female Body Inspector

**Hunty** - A combo of hunny and See-you-next-Tuesday (made popular by Rupaul's Drag Race)

**Askhole** - A combo of well...you get it (it means a person who asks too many dumbass questions)

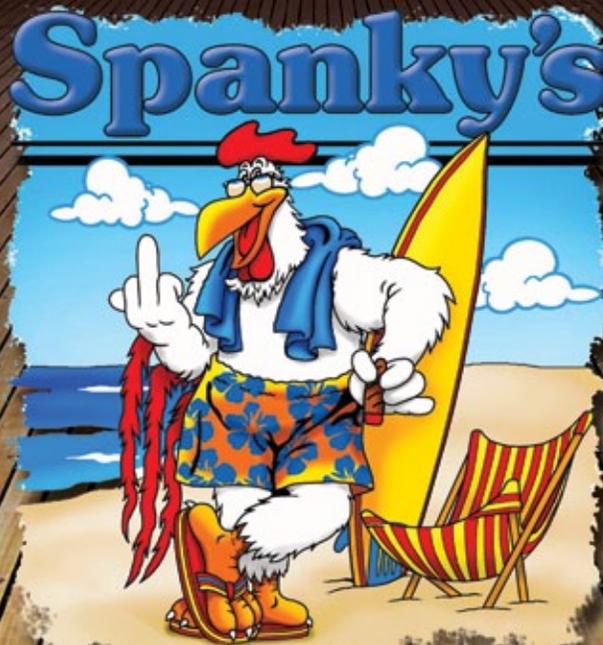
**Cellfish** - Someone who is being selfishly too loud while on their cellphone in public places

**Bedgasm** - An orgasm that occurs when you lay in bed after a long day serving BeachBags\* at Spanky's

**AfterClap** - The last one clapping in an audience applause

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What's happening in June By Mom

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**6-4 Tybee Island Sprint Triathlon & Duathlon** 7-10am swim, bike and run. Go online to [www.tybeeisland.com](http://www.tybeeisland.com) for more info and registration.

**6-5, 6-12, 6-19 & 6-26 Tybee Island Farmer's Market** 4-7pm at Tybee Lighthouse grounds, 30 Meddin Dr. The Farmer's Market will be open every Monday through October. Everything from fresh veggies to art work. Support your local Farmers and Artists!

**6-8 Red Cross Community Blood Drive** 2-7 pm at the Old School Cafeteria by the YMCA on Tybee Island. Visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) for more info. You will need to schedule an appointment.

**6-9 Dangermuffin – An Album Release Event** 8pm at Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. For all events go to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) or call for further info at 912- 472-4790.

**6-9 & 6-23 Sunset Tours 2017** After hours tour of the Lighthouse, 30 Meddin Ave. Call 912-786-5801 for reservations.

**6-10 Tybee City Limits - American Hologram, Payne Bridges** 8pm at Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. For all events go to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) or call for further info at 912- 472-4790.

**6-12 thru 6-16 and 6-19 thru 6-23 Tybee Summer Theater Camp for Kids** 9am-3pm at Tybee Arts Association, #7 Cedarwood Ave. Kids from age 6 to 16 have an opportunity to learn acting. Call TAA at 912-786-5920 for further info.

**6-17 Movies in the Park** 8:45-10pm at Memorial Park every 3rd Saturday. Family friendly movies sponsored by the City of Tybee Island's Development Authority and Main St. Program. 1st film of season is *Sing*.

**6-17 Silent Cinema Concert: The General** 3pm at Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. For all events go to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) or call for further info at 912- 472-4790.

**6-18 Happy Father's Day!**

**6-26 Happy Birthday!** Have a great birthday Ms. Alain...eous!!

**6-26 TIPD VIP Luncheon – Neighbors Helping Neighbors** 11am to noon at Memorial Park. If you need some assistance or want to help, contact Richard Dascall at 912-484-8833 for further info.



## Dish the Dish

Alright Dish. You are going to be run over by my big ol' bus! So, I have been a customer of Dish for over four years. My bill started at about \$80 and in the last four years has risen to just over \$100 without me changing any of my package deal, adding channels or watching Pay Per View porn. \$20 rise doesn't sound too bad in four years, but I have gotten nothing in return, except maybe a free movie channel for one month.

Approximately three weeks ago, Dish got into a bitch beat-down with ABC and in their negotiations they refused to pay ABC what they wanted to carry the channel. I was supposed to call this number to complain about not having the channel anymore. WTF?? Why should I have to call anyone to complain about Dish's lack of negotiating skills? I don't know what all that entails, but ABC is a basic basic channel. I do not understand the problem. All I know is that I want to watch *Live with Kelly*, *The Wendy Williams Show*, *The View*, *Ellen DeGeneres* and *Dr. Phil*. Not only that, but *David Muir*, anchor of *ABC World News*, is my man and having him out of my life is not acceptable.

In addition, Dish sent me this wacky letter saying they were charging me more per month, but were reducing their service and offering me a free movie channel for a month. I am busy and don't need to be bothered by this bull. I said whatever and carried on.

My David Muir addiction became too much so I called Direct TV. Not only could they offer me the same package plus more (I get to finally watch *American Horror Story* from the comfort of my own home versus the bar) channels for a lesser price!! Yippee!! I was so happy!! It was with absolute relish and delight when I called Dish today to cancel my service. David was happy too!

Rusty, Employee # QXL, was the unfortunate fellow that answered. He wanted to know why I wanted to cancel. I was very professional - I swear. No F bombs were dropped and I spoke in my most efficient and competent voice. I explained the ABC problem and the rise in fee issue with a simple bone thrown at me to keep me quiet. I also had another issue, but it's complicated and boring and more than likely associated with my OCD. Rusty politely requested that I hold. When he returned he said, "*I am being completely honest here.*" My inner voice is screaming "*UH OH!*" He goes on, "*I may get fired for this, but because you have been a long term customer with a good record, I can get your bill down to \$40.*" My inner voice was insulted. I was insulted. I have been paying over \$100 every month and receiving substandard service and now you are knocking over \$60 off my bill?! I just breathed for a moment. You sum bitch. What if I had never called? Rusty you are not getting fired. You are getting called out for being a total slime ball and working for a company that promotes slimeballness. Is that in the training manual: Lower your voice and intimate that you are putting your job in jeopardy for my cable happiness? I felt dirty.

All cable companies are money hungry cheese mongers. Now that there are more options available, I recommend that everyone review their own service. Call the other companies and see what they can offer that is better. Make them work for your money! We have to have television. I have to have HBO. I MUST HAVE *Game of Thrones*. We all have the shows we love and must have. Let's make these companies compete with each other. In the end, we are in charge. I can go watch *Game of Thrones* with a crowd of people (just shut tfu). Rusty, karma is coming for you. Sleep well. I am going to take a shower and wash the filth of Dish off of me.

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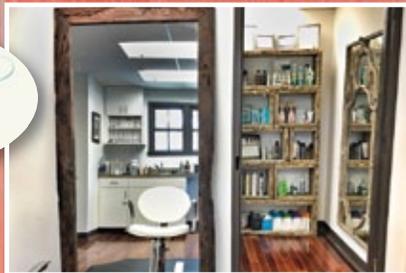
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# Behind the Tape...

By Cpl. Richard Dascal



Hope everyone has been having a great summer so far. That's another *Orange Crush* and *Beach Bum* in the books. Orange Crush saw several arrests and tickets this year, to include a purse snatching and several firearms arrests. Overall though, the whole event went very smoothly.

One great caper we had during the Orange Crush event, one of our officers was speaking to two people in front of a hotel. While he was talking to them, they pointed out that a man had just thrown a gun under a car. Several officers chased the subject, who was arrested shortly after. The gun was recovered and we found that the suspect was a convicted felon. In any police department, big or small, it's always a great day when you're able to take a felon with a firearm off the streets.

As I'm sure everyone is currently noticing, traffic is doing what it does in the summer, backing up. We urge everyone to be patient when dealing with this. I understand that it can be aggravating spending fifteen minutes trying to drive from the north end to the pier to find out there's no parking, so we urge you to plan ahead or consider riding your bike.

The *Sand Arts Festival* was recently in town and our officers were there to monitor the event. The whole thing went smoothly and we saw lots of great submissions. It seems like holding the event near the pier helped to alleviate the parking issues that we have seen on the north end.

As always, we hope everyone is being safe. As it gets busier, the department is here to assist you where you need it. If you see any criminal activity, please report it to the police department, and in any emergency, please call 911. Hope everyone has a safe summer!

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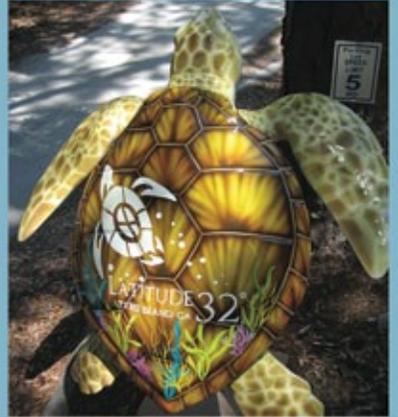
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## CHAPTER 1 – The Pier Incident

The Tybee Island Pier had stood since 1891. It had witnessed many good times, including sock hops, concerts from the Big Band era, and tons of alcohol ... even throughout the prohibition years. Then, in the winter of 1967, it burned to the ground. The blame was placed on the shoulders of a couple of local boys who were playing with fire under the pier. This is the “official” story anyway. The real story is a bit more complicated and, quite frankly, disturbing...

Bobby works at the pier, lives in the workshop at the pier, and hangs in the bars near the pier. He’s a hard worker, the kind of guy who busts his tail from 5am to 9pm and doesn’t complain a bit. He parties just as hard as he works and somehow, somehow, he makes it to work every morning like clockwork.

It is a Wednesday night in December of 1967. The weather is still pretty darn warm for this time of year and the fish are still biting, but the shrimp have disappeared. Bobby likes to fish under the pier. The sheepshead like to feed around the pylons just past the breakers, and this is where Bobby will catch his dinner. He takes his shoes off, grabs his fishing pole, and walks out into the water until he’s about knee deep. Even though the air temperature is in the 70’s, the water is pretty darn cold. It only takes Bobby about 20 minutes to catch two good sized sheepshead, and he walks back to his room on the pier. He dries off, puts his catch in the fridge, and walks up to Doc’s Bar to warm up on the inside before settling down for the night with his dinner.

Doc’s is a local watering hole and a lot of fishermen hang out there. The fish tales that are told in this place would rival any bar in any fishing community. The tales are tall, wide, and usually get bigger the more libations are consumed.

Bobby sits down at the corner of the bar and orders his drink. “Hey Dottie, would ya get me a tall boy and a tequila?” “You want a pickle back with that Bobby?” Dottie shouts back. “You’re damn right I do.”

Just as Bobby orders his drink, Captain Bo Tiberious Bourden walks in. Everyone just calls him Cappy for short. “What do you say there Cappy?” asks Bobby. “Nothing much, just waiting for the damn shrimp to start running again. A man can’t eat unless he’s catchin’ and right now ain’t no one catchin’ nothin’,” Cappy replies. “That’s a load of bull. I just caught 2 HUGE sheepshead and only took me about ten minutes,” Bobby exaggerates. “You just gotta change up what you’re fishin’ for, when what you’re fishin’ for ain’t there no more.”

Cappy hears the sarcasm in Bobby’s voice. “Listen here ya old pickle back, I’ve been fishing these waters for thirty some odd years now and December sucks for fishing. ALL FISHING! Just because your daddy was a fisherman, doesn’t make you the expert. Besides, this time of year there’s no way you caught two huge sheepshead in less than ten minutes.”

“They’re in my fridge right now! Wanna see ‘em?” says Bobby, with no sarcasm whatsoever. “Probably some fish you bought at the Tybee Market,” says Cappy. “I promise you, you ain’t gonna find no fish this big at the Tybee Market. Dottie, would you hit me with another tall boy and tequila please, BEFORE I HIT CAPPY HERE!” “You want a pickle back with that Bobby?” Dottie shouts back. “You’re damn right I do!”

“Look Bobby,” Cappy says, “I’ll bet you a dollar you can’t catch one single sheepshead in 30 minutes. Let’s go right now!” “Let me just enjoy a few more beers first. When I’m done, I’ll take your bet, but it’s going to be for one hundred dollars. Who the hell only bets a dollar anyway?” says Bobby. “You don’t have a hundred dollars.” “Dollar bet I do?” “Fine!”

Bobby pulls a crisp hundred dollar bill out of his back pocket and exclaims, “Todd pays me on Wednesday nights dumb ass.” “Okay Bobby, you’re on! I’ll take that hundred bucks from you. And take your time, it’s not like I’m going fishing in the morning.” “HA! Now give me my dollar Cappy.”

They continue to drink and banter back and forth for another hour or so until Bobby is feeling pretty darn good. He finally says, “Alright, a crisp, clean hundred dollar bill says I can catch one sheepshead in less than 30 minutes. Let’s go! Wait ... One more tequila Dottie and tab me out, baby.” “You want a pickle back with that Bobby?” “You’re damn right I do!” He shoots the tequila, chases it with a little pickle juice, and slams a twenty on the bar. “Thanks Dottie, I’m about to win me a hundred dollars!” “See ya later Bobby!” she shouts, then under her breath, “Ya old pickle back...”

Bobby and Cappy quickly walk down to the pier, bickering at each other the entire way. Bobby makes short work of grabbing his pole, kicking off his shoes, and walking out into the water. He’s in the surf for less than two minutes and he hooks into a decent sized sheepshead. It’s not the “monster fish” he claimed to have caught earlier, but enough to win him that hundred dollar bill. “Got ‘em!” Bobby exclaims. “What? Already? I’ll be damned,” Cappy says.

As Bobby is walking back with his catch, he feels a sharp pain in his ankle. He shrieks in agony and retreats back to the beach with a quickness usually reserved for running from the cops.

“What, did that little minnow bite you?” Cappy asks. “No man, something bit the crap out of my ankle... look!” “Damn Bobby! You’ve got about a silver dollar sized chunk of skin missing from your ankle.” “Hurts like hell. Now give me my C-note!” Cappy hands him the hundred dollar bill and says, “You better patch that up. It doesn’t look so good.”

They part ways and Bobby returns to his shop and puts a bandage on his wound. He can’t believe how badly it hurts. He lays down on his bunk and slips into unconsciousness...

**To be continued...**

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By Margie McLellan

If you are anything like me, you hate rules. Do this, don't do that, blah, blah, blah. But the older I get, I suppose I've learned a thing or two. Most rules are made for the good of all. Took me long enough to learn that...

The first time we came here (a millennia or two ago) as tourists, we learned these rules the hard way. Back then, there was a worn-out sign at the crossover on the way to the beach; I looked at it in passing, but didn't pay much attention. We were on vacation!! We were on our way to the beach with a cooler full of beer ... bottled beer. We were sitting there drinking our beer, enjoying ourselves immensely, without a care in the world. Next thing I knew, there was a couple of policeman standing there in front of us! Come to find out, glass bottles were forbidden on the beach. Who knew? Who cared? Well, long story short, the police (back in the day) took my husband to jail!! And everyone on the beach was watching. It was quite the scene and quite embarrassing. And a hefty fine ensued.

Seems that same week-end, we also parked in a no-parking spot on our way to breakfast. We felt quite good about ourselves, not having to pay for parking. I'm sure you can guess ... yes, we got a parking ticket.

Our children were horrified that we were contemplating moving here. They warned us, "Don't do it!" Since neither of us like to be told what to do, we didn't listen to them, thank God. We moved here a month later; but I promise you this, I've tried my best to "follow the rules" (well, most of the time).

So, I'm giving you, our faithful readers, a list of our Beach Rules. Please read and follow them. They are posted for your safety:

- 1. Obey the lifeguards** – They don't just sit in their chairs to look cool (even though they do). They work hard to keep you safe.
- 2. Swim within 50 yards of shoreline** – You endanger not only yourself, but those that have to save you.
- 3. Litter must be contained** – Leave only your footprints. Please!
- 4. No glass or breakable containers** – It's all about broken glass, folks.
- 5. No pets** – No one wants to step in doggy poop or get bitten.
- 6. No motorized vehicles** – The beach is an awesome place to ride your bike, not so much for motor vehicles.
- 7. Do not remove any live marine animals** – sand dollars, starfish, etc. Let's respect our ecosystem. Live and let live.
- 8. Stay out of the dunes** – Our beautiful dunes are there for a reason. They are our first line of defense against coastal storms and beach erosion. Believe me, we are still having nightmares about Hurricane Matthew.
- 9. Surf and fish only in designated areas** – It's all about safety!
- 10. No fires or camping on the beach** – We have a beautiful campground for that.
- 11. No disorderly conduct, kegs, or nudity** – We are a family beach, just saying...

# Diary of a Vinegar Guinea Pig

By Alaina Loughridge

## The Vinegar Diaries Part 1 (of God knows how many parts to come)

I am not a hippy dippy tree hugger, but every once in a blue moon (beer that is) I will stumble across an idea that grabs my limited attention span. Clint Huggins was dining in one day and I was mentioning to several uninterested customers that my doctor had dropped the hammer on my dissolute debaucherous lifestyle and had described my cholesterol as, and I am quoting here "insane." Apparently that is the latest medical term for people that eat out of to-go boxes every single day for five years.

So I am bitching about salads with oil and vinegar dressing and Clint (who will be blamed if this all falls apart) mentions this fantastic vinegar that two teaspoons in 8 oz water taken after each meal works wonders on cholesterol, detoxifying the body (insert the word LIVER here), helps with weight loss, and in general improves your whole scene. The magic elixir is Bragg Organic Apple Cider Vinegar. O.K. Sounds interesting. So I tell Nell the next time she goes to IGA to grab me a bottle. Long story short, this isn't the latest news as the IGA has been wiped clean. Now I am super interested; I text my inside IGA person to hijack the next bottle that comes off the truck. No go. No truck till Friday. It's Wednesday. This is killing me. I must have this snake oil tonic!

I will not cross Lazaretto, but I am flat out determined to make this happen. I put out my feelers, i.e., any bar patrons know anything about this? Sure enough Johnnie and Cheryl Kerby not only know all about it, they have various jars throughout their house in case of an emergency in any room of their house. Well well well. Johnnie says it has cured his gout. Cheryl says it has cured her heartburn. They both take it, although they both have HUGELY different stories of the taste of said panacea.

Johnnie can do shooters of it with no problem, although he did acknowledge that the taste is not all that great. Cheryl, on the other hand, goes off on the wild tangent about devil's piss and how she wouldn't drink it if she was on fire. However, she does drink it, so it was quite the conundrum. Cheryl has me freaked out about the taste of this alleged elixir of life. Do they have a bottle I can use to begin my guinea pig experiments? You bet! Stop by after work. I did and here is my story:

**04/20/17 Day One:** I have porridge for breakfast (Quaker Oats Strawberry flavored oatmeal), with sliced bananas on top. Done. I carefully pour out 8 oz of water into a cup and break the seal on this mystery medicine. Shake well. I open the bottle and the first thing I do, and DON'T do it if you are following this recipe for sure disaster, is smell the damn stuff. NO. Bad idea. I knew it was a bad idea, but I did it anyway. So, instant put off, but I measure this mixture of calamity in progress and in the water it goes. I am so scared of Cheryl's description that I get an automatic involuntary stomach spasm. I DO NOT want to barf up porridge with banana slices. Ick. I take a sip. Hey, not too bad; it ain't great, as it is vinegar. It is not devil's piss. Thank God!! I casually sip it until it's gone and I feel pretty great. I don't know if that is because I drank it and I did not barf, I drank it and am feeling a placebo effect, or just the simple fact that I drank it. Anyhoo, I wait for side effects.

In the meantime, as I wait to see if my bowels are going to fall out, I actually Google it.

*To be continued ...*

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# Reflections

By Hollie Sessoms

## How to be a Tourist

Summer is upon us. The sun has warmed, the water is just the right temp, we're shedding our clothes as our dogs are shedding hair. Maybe we're getting a tickle, a feeling in our bones, we want to go explore somewhere else, wipe off the feeling of the town we call home and see what the rest of the world is up to. But first, we have some learning to do. A few little rules on how to be a tourist:

**1. Find some respect and compassion for the locals.** Respect is an amazing thing. The universe gives back to you what you give it. Try it for yourself. Have respect and compassion and watch how they multiply in your own life.

**2. Don't be bound to your plans.** Life is a journey and oftentimes a journey is a journey. Find joy when it rains on that day you had planned to go to the beach. You'll get a chance to explore that museum that you probably wouldn't have gotten around to. Detours and setbacks can be beautiful things if you let them.

**3. Go slow.** No need to race around trying to fit things in. Leave some space for flow around everything you need to do.

**4. Be different!** Explore that other side of yourself. Of course you don't normally go kayaking at sunrise, but maybe this week you do. Eat something you've never tried before, you could find a new favorite food. You know those funky shoes you bought, but never got around to wearing? This is their time.

**5. Embrace your inner tourist.** Whenever I try to take a family photo while on vacation, my teenagers are sure to whine: *"But we look like tourists!"* To which I reply: *"We are tourists."* Don't be afraid of looking like a tourist. We're not in high school anymore. It's actually okay to not be cool now. Whew. Embrace that. Feel the freedom of uncoolness rushing through you. And go take a silly photo.

**6. Just breathe.** Ah, that feels good. Do it again....

**7. Get off your phone/Facebook.** Of course everyone wants to see that picture of your toes in the sand with the big blue ocean in the background. Of course they do...but...maybe it can wait. Enjoy this moment. This moment. This one right here. Soak it up. It has more to offer than 300 likes.

**8. Find gratitude.** So many people don't get the opportunity to explore other places. Just think of how difficult travel was only a few generations ago. We are blessed with our super-fast cars and jet airplanes that can take us anywhere our hearts desire. Remember that all this is a blessing. Even that traffic jam. Even that missed photo op. Even that thunderstorm.



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# Skin Care 101

By Alaina Loughridge

In my early teens, 20s and even into my 30s, I never really took my skin too seriously. Yes, it covered my innards very well and got the job done and made me look good! I did get the random sunburn here and there, suffered for a day or two, and went on without another thought about it. Well, now moving into my 40s, my life of wanton destruction is becoming more and more apparent.

Living on the beach and aging along has opened my eyeballs about sun damage. It is nothing to laugh about. We all love our time in the sun and to a certain extent that Vitamin D factor radiating down upon us is good, but too much of a good thing is bad. I had a chance to sit down with my dermatologist, **Dr. Rebecca Campen** of **Campen Dermatology**, and she was kind enough to take the time to fill me in on sun damage to the skin.

This lady is smart! She is certified by the American Board of Dermatology. She graduated from the University of Georgia with a major in mathematics. In 1981, she entered law school at UGA and graduated in 1983. She entered Medical School at the Medical College of GA during that same year and graduated in 1989. She completed a residency in dermatology at the Medical College of GA in 1991. She has more studying and teaching accolades to her credit, and not to disabuse that, but I want to get to the nitty gritty.

You must protect yourself from the sun! Especially here in Savannah/Tybee, an SPF of 30 is best when you are out and about around town. When you are at the beach, 45-50 is best. Nothing below 30 is strong enough. You need to reapply every couple of hours, but more often if you are in and out of the water, and additionally, you can get skin damage from the sun's reflection from both the sand and the water. There is no waterproof SPF, but only water resistant. Think of yourself as your cell phone - you can dunk it and survive, but you hang out long enough and it is not going to work anymore.

Everybody has different skin types. For us fair skinned people, we are way more at risk than a darker pigmented skinned person. Darker skin does provide some protection, but is not fool proof. Melanoma is not biased. A lot of people do

not realize they are getting too much sun; especially those of us doing outdoor activities like golfing, yard work, etc. There is sun protective clothing available, and hats and sunglasses are a must, no matter what you are doing.

You should get a yearly exam at least once a year with self exams every month. If you are a mole mole like me, you need to really keep an eye on those and contact a dermatologist immediately if you see anything funky about a mole: a lopsided appearance or a jagged border, color changes, growth changes, and bleeding or itching. Early detection is HUGE and can save your hide. Literally.

Another thing we never think about is driving. That two hour drive to Jacksonville - did you wear sunscreen on your left arm and face? I bet you didn't because it didn't occur to you. Well, there is a huge influx of people suffering from a variety of skin cancers on their left side. Your window may have a tint on it, but that sun still gets in and can fry deeper in the skin that what you will see on the outside. Also, if you are on certain medications, they can make you more susceptible to sunburn. It is imperative that you read your meds and see if you are more at risk than usual.

Do not forget your kids! Use the sunscreen made for children and be overzealous with it. If your child is under 6 months, keep them out of the sun altogether. Remember the sun and water reflects sunlight. If you or your children do get sunburned, apply cool compresses and soothing, unscented moisturizers. An oral anti-inflammatory drug, such as aspirin or ibuprofen, can help reduce inflammation, and a one percent over-the-counter cortisone cream can also be helpful. Stay out of the sun for several days. See your doctor if there are severe blisters or if you develop a fever or chills.

Be smart about what you are doing in the sun and what level of protection you are using. Whether you are one year old or 85 years old, you are susceptible to a sunburn, which can lead to skin cancer. And remember, excessive sun exposure can lead to premature skin aging.

If you have concerns about something on your skin, go see a dermatologist. If you ignore it, the odds are good it will not go away. I highly recommend Dr. Rebecca Campen. For an appointment, please call Campen Dermatology at 912-356-3604.

(On a side note, I did not quote verbatim Dr. Campen, but broadly covered the items we discussed. Dr. Campen has reviewed this article for anything I have misstated. Any errors are entirely mine).

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# She's So Heavy and Frabjous!

By J. Beebs

The other day I was doodling around in the garage when the radio started playing *She's So Heavy* by the Beatles. For those of you who haven't been Beating lately, let me remind you that this is an awesome John Lennon piece; he's on lead guitar and vocals. The song is amazing. But ... the lyrics are so ... well ... bland. Yes John, I know you want her so bad, and yes, it's driving you mad. Yes, this is probably pretty heavy. Hmm. I guess I can see how you felt. I think I wrote a poem in Ms. Ritzinger's fourth grade class that went something along those same lines of bad, mad, and probably a little sad, especially when I had to watch Suzie Smith playing tetherball on the playground. Fourth grade crushes were tough. But Beatles ... you only used 14 words in a song that lasts nearly eight magical minutes! Beatles, you get full points for the song, but at the same time ... hmm. For an eight minute song, I could have used some back story buildup. I mean Queen did a whole opera in under six minutes with *Bohemian Rhapsody*. But to be fair, *She's So Heavy* is talking about love, and well let's face it ... sometimes less is more when we talk of love.

Of course, that led to me wondering about other songs that may be amazing but possibly have lyrical shortfalls. Kid Rock – I think you are guilty here. Your song, *Bawitdaba* is an amazing song. You don't even have to know what it means and after one minute of this song you'll feel like proceeding to the nearest mosh pit and kicking the crap out of everything while you throw back Patron and proudly salute the crowd with your middle finger. It's a damn good song. But Mr. Rock, what do the lyrics mean? Why are we "Bawitdaba da bang da bang diggy diggy diggy, Shake the boogie said up jump the boogie?" I have no idea. I love it. I have no clue what it means. Am I cursing in an alien language?

Maybe Humpty Dumpty was on to something when he told Alice that his words meant just what he chose them to mean. Lewis Carroll, the writer of *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, would have been a great source to ask about this lyrical confusion. Lewis made up a ton of words, including a few of my favorites such as *Boojum*, *Snark*, and *Frabjous*. I could tell you what I think those words mean, but it doesn't really matter. They can mean whatever you chose them to mean – nothing more and nothing less.

But back to music. The Beatles were economical with their words. Lewis Carroll was Frabjous. Kid Rock is still, to this day, a lyrical agitator. Which brings me to the next lyric that doesn't make any sense: has anyone ever heard Maurice speak of the *pompatus* of love? Of course, I'm talking about Steve Miller's *The Joker*, released in 1973, and lyrically speaking has some of the tightest words you'll ever hear. I mean who doesn't want to be a Space Cowboy, a Gangster of Love, have a side alias of Maurice and speak of the *pompatus* of love? Damn Steve, I love your music. I don't even care what it means. Give us some more!

You know, as I ponder these lyrical oddities, I'm starting to think maybe these kind of songs are the hardest songs to write. The ability to just throw someone in a story mid-point, with no buildup, and have them all in is amazing. Where else can you just jump in, get caught for a magical moment, and then a few minutes later get wringed right back out all in one piece, and maybe a little out of breath? That's an amazing talent my friends. Very Heavy. Very Frabjous. So there you have it. I have no idea what all these words mean, but like Lewis Carroll said, "*It doesn't even matter.*" Rock on!

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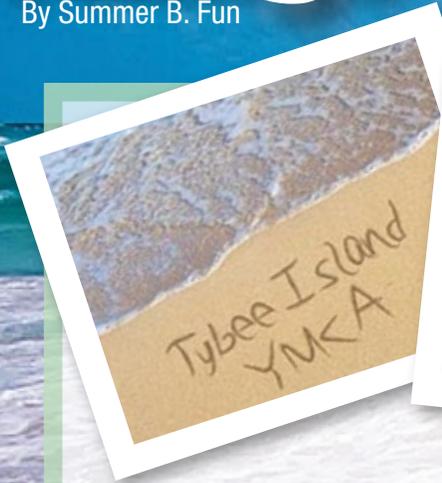
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# Things for KIDS to DO

By Summer B. Fun



Alright Kids!! It has finally arrived - **Summer Break!** The beach beckons, the sun awaits and life is full of promise!! Let's see what Tybee has got going on for you:



- You must tell your parents about **Huc A Poos!** It is a great family hangout, from the most jaded kid to the kid who would rather stay in the room and play games on his ipad or whatever the latest thing going is. Poos not only has great food, but there are games to play on the deck from corn hole to that game where you hook the ring on the thingamajig. There are dogs roaming around and various Tybee characters hanging out. It is fun for the entire family whether you want it or not!



- **The Tybee Art's Association** is running their **Tybee Summer Theater Camp for Kids** from June 12 – 23rd for ages 6 – 16. It is FUN and fills up quickly. It is a two week Acting Camp held daily from 9am to 3pm, Monday through Friday at the Tybee Arts Center located at 7 Cedarwood Avenue. Call NOW!! For more information and registration go to [tybeearts.org](http://tybeearts.org).



- **The Tybee Post Theater** also has a variety of different shows running throughout the summer. Some are geared toward adults, but there are plenty of kid friendly shows happening. Check out [tybeeposttheater.org](http://tybeeposttheater.org).



- The City is presenting **Movies in the Park** on June 17th. **Sing** is the movie that will be shown so make your parents pack a picnic, grab the blankets and head to Memorial Park. The movie starts at sunset and is just a fun flick and it is a great time to hang out with those people that put a roof over your head.



- The **YMCA** has always got something fun going on from basketball to skate night. Check out their website at [ymcaofcoastalgeorgia.org](http://ymcaofcoastalgeorgia.org) and click on Tybee Island to get the latest up to date events.



Have a great start to summer kids!!! Remember, there is more to Tybee than just the beach!!

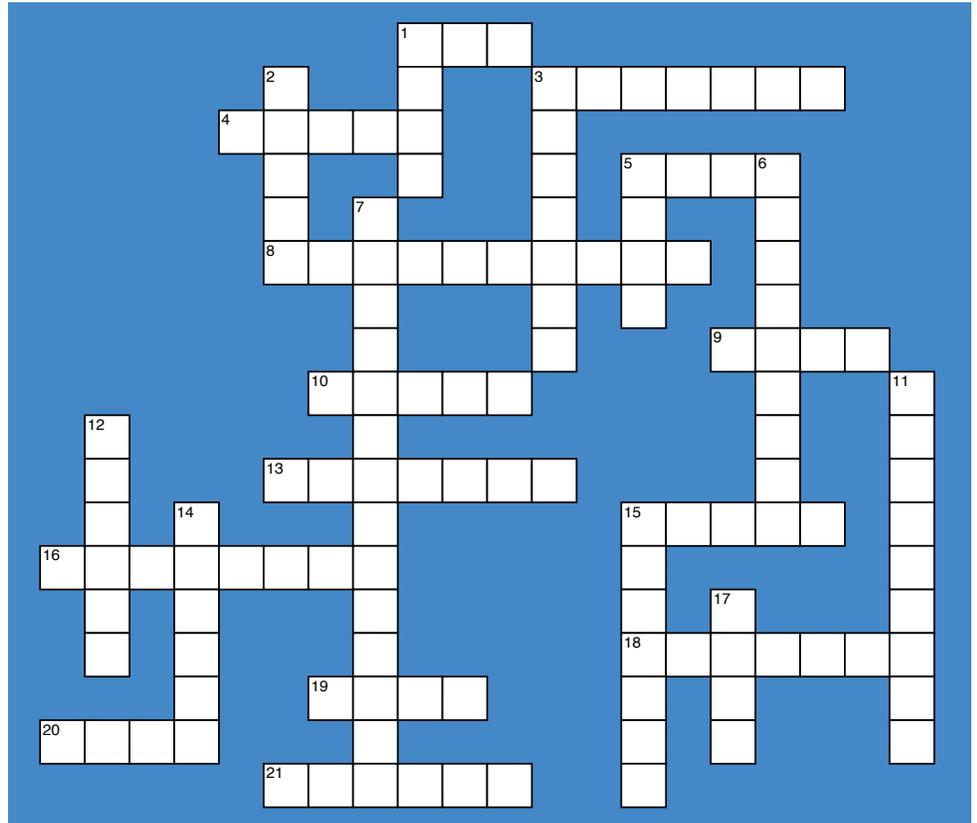
# Cross Word

## ACROSS

- 1 Source of Vitamin D
- 3 They are celebrating 25 years
- 4 Bartenders are \_\_\_\_\_ too
- 5 Dish the \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Traveling Beachcomber winners went here
- 9 She wrote Foodie Finds
- 10 Volunteer of the Year at the YMCA
- 13 Magic elixir
- 15 Living on \_\_\_\_\_ Time
- 16 Target these fish in the shallow waters in the creeks
- 18 How to be a \_\_\_\_\_
- 19 Our featured writer
- 20 It burned to the ground in 1967
- 21 The \_\_\_\_\_ Hour (Book Review)

## DOWN

- 1 June's Movie in the Park
- 2 You need to follow these on the beach
- 3 Special day for these guys
- 5 Taxi Tales loves them
- 6 This crab is not really a crab
- 7 Bad Advice Bum recommends making this (3 wds.)
- 11 Dolphin marina
- 12 Bartender of the Month
- 14 Season
- 15 Their nesting period on Tybee is May-Oct
- 17 6th month



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# Word Search

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|-----------|------------------|----------|
| DISH      | JOEY             | SUMMER   |
| DOGS      | JUNE             | SUN      |
| FANNIES   | LAZARETTO        | TAYLOR   |
| FATHERS   | LOW COUNTRY BOIL | TOURISTS |
| FLOUNDER  | MONTY            | TURTLES  |
| GOLDEN    | PIER             | TYBEE    |
| HORSESHOE | RULES            | VINEGAR  |
| HUMAN     | SING             |          |
| JENN      | STONEHENGE       |          |

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