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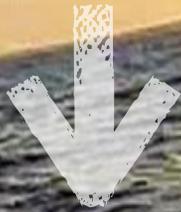
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From the **EDITOR**

Happy May kids!!! This last month (or three) has been seriously wide open! I have never seen Tybee hopping like this so early in the season. It must be the weather and the locale. Oh, and maybe a little something to do with the fact that **The Rock** is here! I know, I was equally excited about this little turn of events to impact our favorite space. I want you all to know I did my best to get an interview with him, but alas, it was not meant to be. Maybe he was scared? LOL!!!

Moving right along ... **Beach Bum, Pro Beach Volleyball, SCAD Sand Arts Festival, Mother's Day, Kentucky Derby**, perfect weather and great friends! This is going to be an epic month of good times! Grab your squad and your spf. Let's get it on!

Travelling Beachcomber again is just such a good time for us Beachcomber crew. We have such a hard time picking the winners as people are getting super creative with what and where. Once again we have a tie: I couldn't handle picking between the two – on one side we have **Lauren West** (from The Quarter) who is sitting in front of the White House! What?? So freaking cool!!! She also sent pictures of the Beachcomber in front of The Supreme Court, Department of Treasury and the steps from the movie *The Exorcist* (my personal fav). You can check out all photos on our Facebook page!

On the other hand, we have **Kathy Black-Dennis** (from Swizzle & Shake) sitting with her friend, **Mona**, in front of Barbaro at Churchill Downs! That is so epically cool that my brain has gone done fried up. It is Derby Month and I am already working on my hat ... so you can see where my indecision comes from: White House or betting on the ponies? What is a girl to do?? Ladies, call me! We are going to A-J's Dockside!

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BIZZ BUZZ

By Alaina Loughridge

Breezy Riders



Photo by Wen McNally

Those pink cars with the huge eyelashes that promise rides to and fro with that wildly inappropriate logo. Is it safe? Is it sane? Yes to the former and kind of to the latter! **Breezy Riders** will get you where you need to be! Started by a father and son duo, Ron and Joey Goralczyk, on May 10, 2012, their first golf cart was called "Jenny." Let me back up and start from the get go.

Ron and Joey moved to Tybee on May 5, 2011 (their remembrance of dates is freakish). They were kind of lost souls trying to figure out what their niche was. They both got jobs doing different things - food industry, satellite installation, you name it. One evening after several cocktails, an idea germinated... Let's start our own business: A

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taxi service delivering people, goods and services. That's where "Jenny" came in, their first gas powered six seater golf cart. However, Jenny was difficult. Her roof would blow off, her tires would flatten, and she would just stop in the middle of the road (120 miles a night will do that to a girl). Along came "Herschel" as in Herschel Walker (Georgia Bulldogs and Dallas Cowboys) - Big, black and beautiful. February 21, 2013, Herschel made his debut and Breezy Riders expanded. Jenny and Herschel were running constantly and became difficult to maintain, due to golf carts not being made for that kind of debauchery.

Moving on to further expansion in March, 2013, the boys got a car. Offering excellent service with pick-up and delivery of you, your squad, groceries, dog, bike, car that you drove when you should not have, ranch dressing from Spanky's, etc., the rest is becoming epic history (they once went to my house and turned my stove off)! Right now there are three cars (soon to be five cars), 10 employees, a dispatch unit, the best airbrushed shirt in all of the land, and the sky is the limit!

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2	Mo	4:31a	7.2	5:00p	7.4	11:07a	-0.1	11:34p	0.1	6:36a	8:05p	3:44a	3:38p	
3	Tu	5:32a	7.4	5:59p	8.0	12:04p	-0.5			6:35a	8:06p	4:25a	4:44p	
4	We	6:31a	7.6	6:56p	8.4	12:34a	-0.4	12:58p	-0.9	6:34a	8:07p	5:07a	5:51p	
5	Th	7:27a	7.8	7:50p	8.8	1:32a	-0.7	1:51p	-1.2	6:34a	8:07p	5:50a	7:00p	
6	Fr	8:21a	7.8	8:43p	9.0	2:27a	-1.0	2:43p	-1.4	6:33a	8:08p	6:36a	8:10p	New
7	Sa	9:14a	7.8	9:35p	9.0	3:21a	-1.1	3:35p	-1.4	6:32a	8:09p	7:26a	9:18p	
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- Beach Bum Parade
- Sand Art Festival
- EVP Pro Volleyball Tour
- Walk the beach
- Collect seashells and shark teeth
- Visit the Tybee Island Lighthouse and Fort Screven
- Watch a sunrise or sunset on the beach
- 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 at one of our theaters
- Enjoy people watching (we have a lot of characters here)
- Relax!!
- Remember to leave only your footprints

THE Sports Bookie

By Patrick Sauers

This column is not going as planned. There are several contributing factors that come into play. Due to my editor's strict deadlines, I typically have to write about sporting competitions where the outcome is a shot in the dark. The final standings could change one day after I submit my final draft, causing the final product that gets published to be completely wrong (which destroys my credibility). I had something planned two days before my deadline, but on the day of my deadline The Masters was two days in and I had to follow what Jordan Spieth was doing in Augusta because I was definitely going to have to write about him becoming the fourth player in history to win back-to-back green jackets.

I decided to move to radio silence, most likely causing my editor to drink, and hone in on what this amazing 22-year-old was inching closer to each minute. One day after my deadline, he held the 54-hole lead and looked good, despite ending his day bogey-double bogey. I wrote an article last year about Spieth possibly winning the Grand Slam, but he failed to accomplish the feat, which left my column to be nothing more than speculation and possibility. This time I was going to have hard facts that would indicate that I actually watch live sports.

Two days beyond my deadline, a couple of text messages from my editor, and Sunday at The Masters was going full throttle. The course had played extremely difficult over the last three days due to the elements, proving that these athletes of extreme skill could play just as bad as I could. However, after midday the winds began to die down and the field began to take advantage of the calm, including Jordan Spieth, who closed out the front nine with four consecutive birdies. History was on the verge of losing another battle and I was ready to chisel my column into stone. Unfortunately, I watched in horror as one of the most sickening events in sports unfolded. The "choke" will bring players and fans to their knees. Witnessing this happen in golf is one of the worst chokes that could happen because the actions that lead up to the downfall rest on the shoulders of the individual.

As I watched, Jordan Spieth literally threw his shot at another green jacket in the water, and CBS was already comparing his disastrous back nine performance to Greg Norman. Twenty years ago he blew a six-stroke lead on Sunday while putting on an entertaining display of body language. While Norman was much more animated on the course than Spieth, he had the luxury of choking twenty years ago. While painful, it was brushed under the rug, rarely surfacing. I honestly hadn't really thought about Norman's choke in years, and

I only thought about it because it was brought up while a player was in the middle of a catastrophic self-defeat. I am quite sure that Spieth will bounce back from this black cloud that hangs over his career that is still in its infancy; but he still will have to suffer the barrage of internet jabs.

He had not even finished the back nine when the memes and gifs began to flood Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. In a world of instantaneous, the good comes with the bad, and he will have to live with the tweets and re-tweets for the next couple of weeks. Some of the more popular ones will be achieved and saved for any misstep he has during one of his following contests. I am truly disappointed he couldn't become the fourth player in history to accomplish back-to-back green jackets; however, I have been quite amused. So far, my favorites have been anything from Happy Gilmore with his face photo-shopped in the image. Shooter McGavin on Twitter has been putting out some works of art and I suggest you follow him if you're not.

Needless to say, I didn't want to write this article that tells the tale of what is now an infamous memory in sports, but sometimes that is what has to be done. It is impossible for me to plan any of my articles out-based on what I think is going to happen or what I really want to happen. The outcome can change with a single putt, turnover or buzzer beater, making us overcome with joy or brought to tears, but whatever happens, that's what brings fans and players out every day. It is a script that never goes as planned, unless you're the UConn women's basketball team, and that is the beauty of sports.

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The Tybee Post Theater

By Mike Manitta and Margie McLellan - Photos by Wen McNally



Movies, Live Music, Stand-up Comedy, Theater ... It's all up and running, alive and well! Tybee's premiere Performing Arts and Music Venue, **The Tybee Post Theater**, is finally completed, thanks to our community coming together. This beautiful theater has been a work in progress for the past 15 years and counting, thanks to countless fundraisers and lots of determination and perseverance from *The Friends of the Tybee Theater*.

The City of Tybee, along with The Tybee Historical Society, saved this Tybee gem from the wrecking ball back in 2000. With a huge hole in the roof, not to mention a tree growing in the middle of the theater, it was no wonder it was slated to be demolished for developing. A small group of concerned citizens, along with some of Tybee's council members, saw the potential for Tybee to not only preserve a historical landmark, but to be able to have a unique venue to serve Tybee Island's residents and tourists.

The history of the building dates back almost 100 years. It was constructed in 1930 as a movie house to serve soldiers and their families stationed here at Fort Screven. It also boasted one of the first sound theaters of its day. It stood proudly until the mid 60s, when its lights went out and the stage went dark. It sat for 40 years, almost unnoticed, while progress was going on all around it. Many Tybee residents weren't even aware of its existence. It wasn't until Tybee started losing some important landmarks, that the city saw the urgency to save this slice of history.

SCAD's historical preservation department stepped in and did a complete analysis of the structure to determine if it was even plausible to attempt to resurrect this dying landmark. Luckily, the potential was recognized and fundraising began with the newly formed non-profit group **Friends of the Tybee Theater**. The Tybee Wine Fest, Polar Plunge and Craft Beer Battle are just a few of the annual fundraisers that have

benefitted this important project.

The goal was to restore the original style of the old theater, and to create a showcase like no other in the area. And what a job they have done! It is truly a Work of Art. When you step into the building, it's like a step back in time to a bygone era. You can almost imagine the excitement and buzz in the air that the first patrons must have felt, during the time when the film industry was still in its infancy. How ironic that Tybee is now a backdrop for some of Hollywood's biggest projects. We've come full circle my friends.



All the hard work and dedication was finally realized in September of 2015, when the curtain was raised and lights shone bright again. The Grand Opening was free and open to the public, so all of Tybee could experience its newfound glory. The reaction from our island was swift and apparent, as Tybee was eager to absorb the cultural art that makes our quirky community shine. Since its opening, there have been countless sold-out events, which signifies the need our city had for this type of venue, and makes you wonder how there was ever a question about whether or not to save this precious space.

There have been live theater performances, comedy revues, and various concerts, as well as movie screenings. Paying homage to its original patrons, the first movies debuted in March with a film series to showcase the movies of the 1930s, which were most likely viewed in the same space when they were first brought to light. There is also a series called "Movies Made Here" to showcase Tybee/Savannah-made films, that started with *The Last Song*, and will have that Burt Reynolds romp *Gator* up next! There are big summer plans geared toward local and visiting families that include family-friendly movies shown each afternoon and live educational performances geared toward children several mornings each week. When you are ready for a break from the beach, or some alternative entertainment options for the kiddies, you can now enjoy Tybee's only movie theater. I always wished there was a movie theater on Tybee and now finally we have it! The concession stand offers up popcorn and soft drinks for the kids and even something more adult for moms and dads.

And now let's talk music. There are several live music performances and showcases offered each month and the attendance for these events has been more than impressive. There have been numerous themed music events, starring touring artists and local performers, such as a *New Orleans Funk Party*, *Ladies Sing the Blues*, and an *Irish Jamboree*, in addition to monthly showcases for our area's abundance of local musicians. The Savannah Songwriters Series on the first Sunday of each month, along with *Tybee City Limits*, *the Best in Live Local Music* on the third Sunday gives local artists a legitimate venue in a true concert setting, giving them the full-on attention and respect that they deserve. The local musicians are raving about the quality of the sound system and the opportunity to play in a listening room environment like no other in the Savannah area. It also gives the artists a chance to collaborate with their peers, which makes our music community so tight-knit. Better yet it has even inspired local bands, such as *The Accomplices*, to rent out the space to fulfill its own musical vision with a sold-out *Tribute to John Prine*.

Tybee Post Theater Executive Director Melissa Turner, and her dedicated, mostly volunteer staff, have really taken the bull by the horns to create a diverse menu of cultural offerings that are sure to appeal to all ages. Melissa and her husband, Thomas Oliver, headed to Tybee for retirement in 2009. After about an hour of retirement (it seems) Melissa has now found herself working harder than ever to provide Tybee with a top-notch performing arts and movie venue. We are so lucky to have her, and her love of the arts really shines through with the creativity she has shown to provide entertainment that truly appeals to the wide range of interests of locals and tourists alike. She has also brought in Savannah musician and promoter Ricardo Ochoa to help with music programming.

But all of this still comes with a price. There are bills to be paid and loans to be re-paid, so the need for fundraising is ongoing. The beautiful entrance is paved with engraved Georgia Granite Stars and Bricks to show the generosity from donors, as well as to remind us that this challenge wasn't met overnight. You can still show your support by purchasing a Star or a Brick to keep the entertainment alive, as well as leaving a legacy of your own.

To purchase a Star or Brick, along with daily event listings, rental info,

and to buy tickets, go to tybeeposttheater.org or call 912-472-4790. The space is also available to rent for weddings or private functions. The theater is located at 10 Van Horne Ave. If you haven't had the chance to see this beautifully restored building, you should plan on attending one of the many events that are offered in this scenic theater by the Sea. It's a great way to support Tybee and keep the Arts alive for generations to come.



Following is a list of upcoming events:

Savannah Songwriters Series, Sun., May 1, 8 pm, \$10
Songwriters in the round with Pete Love, Cc Witt, Markus Kuhlmann and Wayne Martin

Post Movie Classics Present Hitchcock

Fri. May 6, 8 pm "Psycho"

Sat., May 7, 4 pm and 8 pm "The Birds"

Sun. May 8, 4 pm and 7 pm "North By Northwest"

An Evening with Verlon Thompson, Fri. May 13, 8 pm \$20

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Tybee City Limits, Sun., May 15, 8 pm, \$15

The Rosies, Jeff Beasley Band, James Lee Smith Band

Walter Parks - Swamp by Chandelier, Fri. May 20, 8 pm, \$25

Richie Havens sideman on a solo tour that is both concert and storytelling

Ike Stubblefield Quartet, Saturday, May 21, 8 pm, \$25

Hammond B3 virtuoso is a music industry legend

Collin's Comedy Club, Sun. May 22, 8 pm, \$15

National headline comedian Collin Moulton debuts monthly comedy show at the Post



May has come waving in the summer, a season of limited space and an excess of beach troopers. A swashbuckle of people from all over the state, country and world, coming intentionally to our shores to celebrate a little freedom and sanctuary from their everyday shenanigans. I am proud to live in an open-armed culture and one that counts every individual welcome to have their time recharging at the beach.

With the growing number of guests there are some simple standards I try to live by so as not to get overwhelmed by the influx of beach goers. These lessons I have learned from the outstanding population here on the island. A sharing spirit and patient mind are of utmost importance with a full island of sauntering pedestrians and unwary swimmers, as well as an open heart to fellow ocean seekers; we are all connected by the ocean, it shares with us.

It is always a painful acclimation into the season but the going gets easy and the slow times are soon forgotten. The challenge that hits the hardest every season is finding an unoccupied wave. As a suffering surfer with an exceptionally low wave count this year, it is painful to imagine the sweet, lazy, clean rollers of summer interspersed with torsos, babies, boogies, floaties, footballs and solo cup holding wave jumpers. When the warm weather hits, surfers on Tybee can always depend on wherever there be a wave, there will be a bobber.

I have heard many alternative solutions to this challenge. Some surfers warn unaware swimmers-by of dangerous jelly-sharks, a

wretched- stinging-transparent fish, perhaps you haven't heard of 'em, they come to cause havoc around our island in the summer time. Watch out for them. There are also many hollers, woohooos! heads up! heads down! stay there! coming left! These communications cause an anchoring 'deer in headlights' type of situation for an unseasoned wave seeker. Many surfers are happy to take the freedom in shoing swimmers from the pier where there is a swimmer free, 50 foot pocket of open water which, on a rare occasion, will be blocked off for the surfers, perhaps a problem solver for our suffering? These are meager efforts just for some wave freedom and despite the trials and tricks, the population count in the water has remained quite persistent.

Only a couple exceptional events that readily come to mind will leave the warming water bobbing heads and babies free; those days when the bacteria count is overwhelmingly high and the surfers are freed up to sewage surf with no other souls to worry about; just a mild risk of conjunctivitis. And also when great dark clouds roll in and the beach campers pack up and split, creating quite an apocalyptic scene, great time to make like a fetus and head out. While the restaurants pack out and the traffic is nose to nose, the heavy storm usually blows right over to Hilton Head, creating a spectacular false alarm. On these occasions it is a treat to have the water to yourself and your fellow water sportsters.

And once the sky clears up and the bacterium shies away and the masses come back out to play, it is very important to hold on to those summer standards and practices to create a good basis for an enjoyable summer. Keep a sharing spirit and a patient mind. The water is for everyone. And we are all blessed to be able to be here.

From one man to another, we are all on the same ship and no one owns the water. Sometimes it's an easy practice to forget when the waves start rolling in, but once I remind myself that they are neither mine nor yours to claim, a weight is lifted and I become humbled to be here at the ocean with the lot of you.

Thanks for the lesson Tybee! See you all out in the water.



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COMBING THE BEACH WITH HILARY

By Hilary Junewicz & Morgan Mapel



Hello and welcome Tybee! Just in case you missed my article in last month's issue of *Tybee Beachcomber*, I introduced my new partner, **Morgan**. This edition we will see our debut full on collaboration of work. Morgan and I have been brainstorming together to come up with new ideas for the article; we've both been taking photographs and I'm excited to see how this all turns out with her layout design for "*Combing the Beach!*" Here we go!

1 First of all, I would like to apologize to **Laura** and **Olivia** at **MacElwee's Seafood House**. They were supposed to be featured in here last month, but due to my technical difficulties weren't. Whoops, I'm sorry! So, here they are, go see them and have a grand time!

2 Moving on ... right now I'm sitting poolside at **River's End Campground**. What a relaxing place to write! Isn't it great that we have a campground on the island? Here's their float in the **St. Patrick's Day parade**.

3 Since this magazine started a little over a year ago, I've included the mayor, police officers, postal workers, a lifeguard and a librarian. The **Tybee Island Fire Department** also plays a very important role in our community! I hope I never have to call you, but I appreciate your always being there!

4 Look at the float **Jeff** built for **Tybee Vacation Rentals**! I like how you mimic a cottage one might rent from the company and perfectly matched their signature pink! Excellent job!

5 Holy Split! Obviously, **Bernie's Oyster House** held one heck of a burlesque party in March! That place really knows how to have a good time.

6 Unfortunately, the **Budweiser Clydesdales** weren't available for our **St. Patrick's Day parade**, so they came and made their own the next Friday! Here's one posing perfectly for me in front of **Fannie's on the Beach**.

7 The group **Junkanoo** returned to Tybee to be in our parade. A big thanks to **Quintoon** and **Maureen** for inviting me to shoot the performers in full costume at **The Crab Shack**!

8 Here are my friends **Susan** and **Bruce** (another officer with the **Tybee Island Police Department**) at **Chu's**. Susan, it has always been such a pleasure to get to see you every time I've stopped in for all these years! And I'll never forget when Bruce helped me out! Thanks for the beautiful hand-made hat too! Good luck, and can't wait to see you next time!

9 This was a great day, **Hook**. I'm sad to say we have to say goodbye to Hook and his wife, **Donna**. They're moving back to Kentucky. But it's good news that it's because they'll soon be grandparents! We're all going to miss y'all! You better come back and visit! Thanks for the boat ride!

10 Here is the **Chimney Guy, Matt** and **Matt**. Need a chimney guy? Here, <http://savannahchimney.com/>. It was so nice to have Matt back for a little bit. Here they were just a couple of dead heads planning their next tour while listening to "This day in **Grateful Dead** history." What year, what album?!

11 **Faye** and **Bonnie** have the right idea. They live along the **Tybee Bike Path** and I see them sitting out there all the time. What a setting and they probably get to see everyone right there. What, Faye's husband used to be the mayor here?! I've stopped by a couple times and spoken with Faye; she is very kind.



12 **Bingo** at the **American Legion Post 154** on Friday nights at 8 p.m. is always fun. **George, Mary Ann** and **Patty** got me all set up.

13 Hats off to **Janice** for working all week for the **City of Tybee** and then tending bar at the **American Legion** every Friday night for years!

14 **Julia** requested this picture. She made a small world even smaller when she met tourist, **Donna**, and brought her over to meet her friend, **Margaret**, because they were both from the same town up North. Turns out Margaret and Donna used to work together years ago. That was quite a moment for Julia, Margaret and Donna here. Hope you made it back home safely, Donna!

15 Dine in the Dune's at **Marlin Monroe's!** They're the only restaurant on the beach on Tybee. They're making a lot of music too! **Lauren, April, Niki, Kayla** and **Rodney** are some of their team.

16 Strange to say, but I've had a couple of good times at **Island Pharmacy** recently. Sorry I kept missing you, **Bonnie**. Meet **Peggy** and **Polly!** These girls actually make a pharmacy fun. Their card even reads, "Warmers for the Buns & Cures for theRuns!"

17 I finally made a visit to the island's major attraction, **The Tybee Island Light Station!** **Jamie** and **Kimmy** greeted me and we had a nice chat. Small world again, I already knew Kimmy.

18 **Gus** is the Volunteer Coordinator at **The Tybee Island Light Station**. And I won't bring something up again, but I found out he is my friend **Kate's** dad! We had a good conversation as well, and I liked him so much I contacted Kate immediately after to let her know I had just met him. Go visit the lighthouse! The view from the top is breathtaking (literally, I can't go up there anymore, makes me nervous...), you've got to see it!

19 Right across the street from the **Tybee Island Light Station** you'll find The **Tybee Museum**. It's also included with your purchase of a ticket to the lighthouse and it's very interesting. I got to meet **Art**, who fittingly was wearing a lighthouse shirt and smiling.

20 Ah, **Ahmad**, the fry cook from **North Beach Bar & Grill**. The "back of the house" in the back of the house a.k.a, "the dungeon." I caught him at a busy time, but not only did he let me take his picture, he encouraged my artistic abilities; a pep talk if you will. To me, he was an all-around inspiration. I knew I wanted his picture!

21 For the very first time I popped in the **James Ingham Black Box Theater** and met **Kim**. The theater has been in operation since 2008. Their next production is "**Stepping Out**" and opens May 6! Kim is a member of the **Tybee Arts Association** and wears many hats at the theater! She is also my mother's favorite actress (that's why my face looked familiar)!

22 **Casey** and **Marjorie** look great at the **Rock House!** Thanks for sending this in!

23 **Deb, Jack** and **Sue** are some of the original members of the **Tybee Island Community Garden Project**. Very friendly folks. Ironically we're all originally from the same area. Anyway, there are still plots available if you're interested. Check out their Facebook page! And the citrus trees did smell amazing, thanks Deb!

24 There's another story behind this photo, but there's a couple lessons for all of us in it. 1.) Don't touch other peoples' property! 2.) Respect other peoples' space. Tybee is a little island, we all have to make room for each other, especially this time of year. 3.) That's a perfectly good chair! That's not trash! I know they meant to throw it away. And it was put in a recycling bin. Know the difference between recycling and trash!

25 On a lighter note, **Amy's** back, that's more refreshing news! Even if it was just for a visit, I don't know. Good to see you, **Mark, Jamie** and **Amy**, at the **Wind Rose!**

It was certainly great to meet some new folks this issue. I had a lot of fun meeting all of you! Keep up with us on Facebook if you've left the island at Tybee Beachcomber. See ya'll next month!



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May Fishing Forecast

TYBEE PIER FISHING

Tybee Pier and Beach fishing is improving. The Whiting, Bluefish, Black drum, Redfish, Pompano, Sheepshead, and Spanish Mackerel should all be around. For most of these fish you can fish the bottom with Shrimp or cut Mullet and do pretty well. Shrimp is always the number one bait of choice. But if the Spanish are around, you will want to use a Gotcha Plug, Clark spoons or some live Mullet. A few flounder should also be around the pier; most will be near the pilings. Live Mullet or live Shrimp would be the best bait for these fish.

INSHORE

Inshore Fishing season has started as the water temperatures have begun to climb. Redfish, Speckled Sea Trout, and Flounder. For all three of these species I would still use a red jig head and a Gulp bait. I like the Swimming Mullet in a 4 inch size. My favorite colors are white, and smoke. For live bait try Mud Minnows or Mullet. You will see most fishing live bait under a popping cork. I fish my bait about 3 feet below the cork this time of year.

NEAR SHORE

Near shore fishing is in full swing and it's time for Cobia. This awesome fighting fish has some great white meat and is a well sought after fish. I always have a Jig or swimbait rigged up in case a Cobia decides to come check out the boat. Cobias tend to be pretty curious, so always be prepared. The Black Sea Bass and Triggerfish are all out and feeding. This time of year I use Squid more than any other bait when bottom fishing. The Spanish Mackerel are also around the nearshore reefs for those wanting to troll or free lining live baits. A few King Mackerel may show up near the end of the month as well.



OFF SHORE

The offshore fishery is about as good as it gets. This time of year Mahi Mahi, Wahoo, Blackfin Tuna, Barracuda, Cobia, and Amberjack is just a start to what you can land while trolling offshore. The bottom fishing is great as well. Grouper season has opened and fishing ledges and wrecks can be a great way to start your day. Vermillion Snapper, Triggerfish, Black Sea Bass, Grunts, Porgies, and Amberjack will also be thick around the same areas. A day out here this time of year can fill your freezer for the whole year.

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TAXITALES

By Joey Goralczyk



If ever you drive a taxi on this Island, you will learn to stay out of arguments. Be Switzerland. Be neutral. Don't take sides. Don't intervene. You are there to get them where they wanna go, nothing more. I mean be friendly, make jokes, but don't ever get even slightly involved. It will blow up in your face. You will regret it. I learned that three years ago, the hard way...

It all started innocently enough, a summer evening on a golf cart. I went to pick up one of our regulars to take her home for the nite, or so I thought. This client has a fairly thick accent and a disposition I'd describe as anywhere from friendly and warm on a good day to festively hostile bottle-tossing on a bad day. We'll call her "Ms. Barbara, baby" for the sake of this article.

This particular day certainly wasn't a good one. She scoffed at the mere sight of me, and informed me that I was 3 minutes late. Then she told me that she kicked out her boyfriend, who we'll call "Jack." The conversation goes like "Hey Barbara, how are you today?"

"I tired Joey. I sick and tired. All these people. All these people think I'm got money. I no got money!"

"So I guess not good today?"

"NO, NO GOOD!" Now with a finger pointed, "I always pay! You know I always pay! I pay rent always! He don't work! He a piece of [poop]! I kick him out! You know he not my boyfriend, cause he a piece of [poop]!" (She didn't say "poop.")

"You sure he's not your boyfriend?" (Just because I gotta poke the bear for some reason.)

"He NOT my pucking boyfriend! Puck you Joey, you high all da time anyway. HA-HA-HA!" Really that conversation pretty much happened every day for a while, but anyway, I dropped her off at home and

thought nothing of it. An hour passed and then she called back. That's never good. She told me to go get her not boyfriend and bring him over. The dog missed him. I just laughed and went to fetch him. Only problem is that he didn't know I was coming. He hadn't spoken to her at all. She wanted me to go and summon him for her. He called and told her he was staying where he was, and I went about my day.

A little while went by and she called me again. (I knew better than to answer, but I did anyway.)

"Hello."

"JOEY? Who is this?"

"Barbara, what's up?"

"Jack won't answer my phone, tell him I gonna let the pucking dog go. It's whiny cause it misses him, so I'm letting it go. It can go find him since he won't come over."

"Excuse me Barbara? Really?"

"YES really! It's my pucking dog and I do with it what I want! Puck Him!"

"Barbara," I sighed in defeat, "don't let the dog go, I'll be there in a minute."

So I rushed on over, and lo and behold, she had not released the dog. She did however, intend for me to deliver the dog to her boyfriend, and if I didn't she was going to let it go. I really didn't want to, but she seemed pretty serious. I went to her house and took this skittish little poodle in my arms and proceeded to deliver him down the street. The poor thing was shaking and growling the whole time, but I had it under control. When I got there I knocked on the door. The moment the door opened, the dog bit me on my thumb, made a nice little squirm move and was on the ground and running before I knew what had happened. Rover was gone and I was mortified.

To his credit, I must say that Jack had more patience than a saint. A good saint too, not one of those hypocrites from the 14th century. Like one of the really pious ones from antiquity. Or he was just a glutton for punishment. Either way, WOW! he wasn't upset with me. Actually he couldn't believe the dog rode with me as long as it did. He was though, rather upset that Barbara had let his dog ride with me in the first place. "Dayum Joey, dayum. She only did all this to get me to come over. You see what I put up with? Dayum!"

If that was the case, she got what she wanted, because Jack went over to fight with Barbara and I went on a dog hunt. In between runs for the next TWO days, I searched for that tiny poodle all over this Island. I mean, I felt terrible. I lost their dog. Even if Jack wasn't mad at me, Barbara was. I received calls like "Where my dog Joey! You lost my dog and now he dead! It's your fault!" These calls did very little to lift my spirits.

Thankfully I can report that Rover did come home safe and sound eventually, and we get along much better now.

Barbara still calls us every day. She'll never stop. I've tried to piss her off. I mean dayum, I lost her dog. It can't be done!

Jack still has more patience than anyone you know. I don't deliver skittish dogs anymore, unless an owner is riding with me. All this happened at a time when I was still rather new to all this and a bit naive. I learned from it however, and now I know just what to do when I get a call like this. That's why we have backup drivers now!

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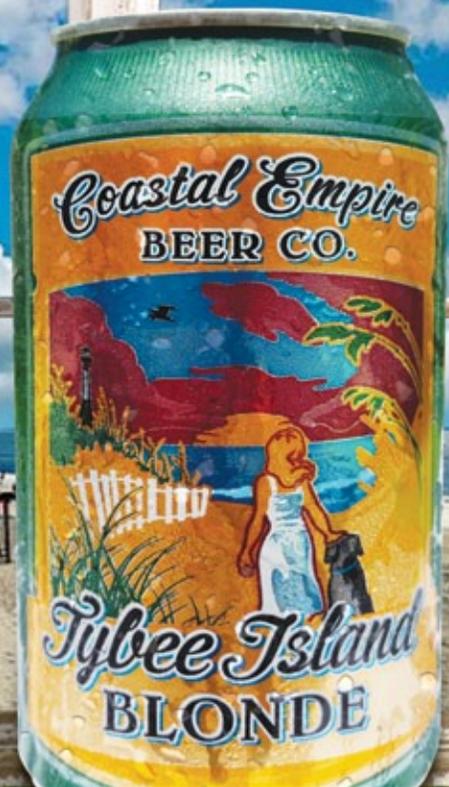
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Beach Bum Revolution

By Micheal Elliot

Photo by Wen McNally

My favorite Beach Bum Parade moment occurred when County Commission Chairman Robert McCorkle showed up thinking it was a real parade.

Sitting atop a convertible, wearing a suit, he was prepared to wave and smile at the constituents who put him in office. He had no idea that the Parade is a giant water fight.

Those in the parade shoot water at those watching the parade, who in turn fire back. Of course this is Tybee.

While a great deal of water is used, it the second most popular liquid utilized on Parade day. Back in the early days there were no restrictions on how water could be delivered from marches to spectators or visa versa.

So the look on Chairman McCorkle's face when he realized that the three soaking wet guys who jumped in front of the convertible with the red water balloons were actually going to throw them at him was ... just friggen priceless.

The three took aim.

The Chairman's mouth dropped open.

He hugged his chest as though it would save the dark three piece suit with grey pinstripes.

Then it was a slow motion scene out of a movie.

The crowd noise disappeared.

The Chairman screamed "NO!" ... like a girl.

The three wet dudes in cut off blue jeans threw in rapid succession.

Then the noise reappeared. PLOP! PLOP! PLOP!

Followed by the approving roar of the crowd.

That was the last time County Commission Chairman Bob McCorkle attended a Beach Bum Parade.

Afterwards he did attempt ... unsuccessfully I might add ... to have Tybee Island kicked out of Chatham County.

It was a water-shed moment.

There are other great moments.

Batman and Robin roller skating down Butler Avenue.

Johnny O on a float wearing swim goggles and a lime green thong ... and nothing else.

The year the final entry in the Beach Bum Parade was the Tybee Island Volunteer Fire Department in full gear on the truck ... hosing down the crowd.

I am proud to have been a Beach Bum.

Jack Boylston was my next door neighbor and lost his mind, inviting me to join the soft ball team (a term which I use loosely).

Jiggs Watson kicked me off the team several weeks later because I actually tried to play softball during a game.

Still ... I remain proud to have been a part and still use the jersey to wash my car as a way of saying thanks.

So it's the Beach Bum Parade on Tybee.

As a populist movement, it continues to grow, becoming a real high water mark on the island's appeal.

So Happy Beach Bum Parade everybody!

Oh ... and if you to pee during the parade ... go ahead.

No one will notice.

Foodie Finds

By Margie McLellan

Hash Brown Casserole



Personally, I've never met a potato I didn't like. Diced, sliced, fried, baked, sautéed, mashed, boiled, or even raw, they are all equally delicious! So, of course I am submitting one of my favorite potato recipes, the awesome Hash Brown Casserole. Super easy to make and equally scrumptious, it's a no brainer that you will love.

Ingredients:

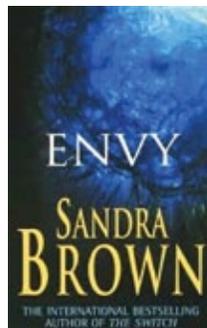
- 1 (2 lb.) bag frozen hash browns, thawed**
- 1 can cream of chicken soup**
- 1 8 oz. container sour cream**
- ½ c. chopped onion**
- 2 c. shredded Cheddar Cheese**
- 1 t. salt**
- ½ t. pepper**
- 2 c. crushed corn flakes cereal**
- ¼ c. melted butter**

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Coat 13x9 baking dish with nonstick cooking spray.
2. In a large bowl, whisk together soup, sour cream, salt and pepper. Stir in cheese, onion and hash browns, until well mixed. Spoon evenly into baking dish.
3. In a medium bowl, mix together cereal and butter. Sprinkle evenly on top of hash brown mixture.
4. Bake uncovered 45 minutes.
5. Enjoy!



By Nell Klein



ENVY

By Sandra Brown

At our book signing in February, author Michael Pritzkow said that he became interested in Tybee after reading a Sandra Brown book that took place on Tybee. I was excited to read it, so after a little research I found out that the book was **Envy**. It takes place on a remote island off the Georgia coast called St. Anne, but the closest it comes to being Tybee is that it's off the coast of Savannah and it has a beach. It must be a Tybee way before my time, because it takes a boat to get here and it's only got one bar! Nevertheless, it was a good read, so I'll pass it on!

New York book publisher Maris Matherly-Reed receives a fascinating prologue to a book from a mysterious person with only the initials P.M.E. No return address, no phone number, no way to know who this person is or how to find him. Maris must find the author because she feels the prologue leads to a blockbuster novel. After some detective work, Maris finds recluse Parker Evans on St. Anne Island. She hops the next plane to Georgia, only to be treated rudely by Evans who is confined to a wheelchair.

Maris is the daughter of Matherly Publishing's respected leader and the wife of second-in-command Noah Reed. Her husband is not only sleeping with another woman, but wants to take over Matherly Publishing. It turns out that Noah Reed is the real target of Parker Evans, who wants to settle a score from many years ago and doesn't care who he hurts along the way.

This book is actually a book-within-a-book. It's the story of two friends who go on a late night drunken boat ride with a young woman, and it ends tragically. It's about jealousy, deceit and revenge. It's also full of twists and turns that will keep you turning the pages. The exciting conclusion will leave you with a feeling of "I sure didn't see that coming!" All in all I give it 5 roses, because it was just that entertaining. I highly recommend reading it!

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



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How to Turn Your Black Thumb Green

I'm definitely no expert but I've rescued and shriveled a houseplant or two in my day. I've been in love with gardening my entire life, from helping out Dad in the family garden to working in giant wholesale nurseries, and then back to small scale gardening and landscaping. During this foliage-filled journey, I have managed to collect quite a variety of houseplants. While not my favorite to tend to, since I'd much rather be outside, it is nice to have greenery and color in the house.

Just like people, houseplants come in many varieties, from the low maintenance and fairly hassle free to the type of plant that has you questioning every decision you've ever made. We all have our type, don't we? Fortunately, there is an endless selection for us to choose from but for now I'd like to give a few examples of some easy to care for plants for around the house that just may fit into your schedule.



The **Pothos**, *Epipremnum aureum*, and the **Philodendron heartleaf**, *Philodendron hederaceum*, are undoubtedly the bachelor's or workaholic's perfect houseplant. Both can withstand a hearty dose of neglect and still look hey, not too bad. It takes more than drunken debauchery and long hours at the office to discourage these troopers. As long as there is a window around somewhere and you dump last night's leftover

water glass from the nightstand on it every once in a while, they are good to go. Of course, with a little more light and a bit more water, these plants will certainly reward you. There are many variations to choose from if you prefer a solid green leaf or a variegated green and white or green and yellow. Some nurseries may carry more than these commonly found colors.

Another relatively effortless houseplant is the **Corn plant**, *Dracaena fragrans*, which has long striped leaves similar in shape to the leaves on the plants of the corn we eat. However, you can wait forever if you expect any corn cobs to appear. Not happening. Corn plants are

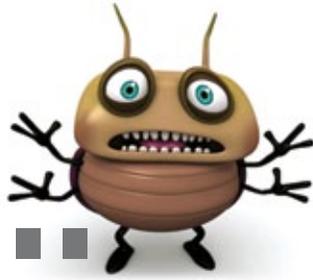


not demanding, you can still have a social life and work full time, but maybe not quite right for the rockstar on tour. They require low light and only need water when the soil feels dry. Corn plants can get rather tall (3 to 6 feet). If it gets too tall, that's the fun part. You can cut the top off and plant it in the same container if it is large enough, or another container with soil and water it in. Your original Corn plant will scar over where you cut it and it will then grow two tops.

I hope these easy to care for suggestions have inspired those of you who haven't considered or have dawdled with the responsibility of houseplant ownership. No pressure, there's always someone like me that will rescue it. And for anyone that would like a more challenging houseplant, give **Elephant Bush**, *Portulacaria afra*, a try.



A BUG'S Life...



By Johnny Herald

Bees and wasps have some of the same nesting habits. Bees feed on pollen, which is crucial for pollination of all of our flowers and food crops. This includes honeybees and bumblebees. Most of our North American bees are solitary nesters. This are approximately 3,300 species of bees in North America.

They both can be considered social or solitary in their habit, Social meaning a communal breed and Solitary, meaning a group that tends to be alone.

Honeybees – Honeybees are not normally aggressive unless the colony is threatened. A colony of honeybees consists of worker, queens and drones. Queen bees are the largest, measuring 5/8 – 3/4 inches. Unfortunately, there is a huge decline of them worldwide, due to manmade pollution and other factors.

Bumblebees – These are large black bees 3/4 inch usually; but within the colony some are different in size. They frequent gardens and pollinate many flowering plants. Their nesting habits are similar to yellow jackets that nest in the ground and have an entrance and exit tunnel.

Carpenter Bees – Carpenter bees are similar to bumblebees. They are also indigenous to our state of Georgia from March to May. They do not eat wood but chew a dime-sized hole in wood board and logs for a site to lay their eggs. They can return to the same location the next season. A chemical dust or spray should be applied into the burrowed holes and then sealed with a wood filler as a deterrent.

Cicada Killers – They are 1 to 1.5 inches, fast flyers, with yellow-black stripes and have large eyes. They fly close to the ground around clover and other plants. They are not an aggressive wasp.

Hornets – Hornets build their nest above ground in trees or hollow logs. They are similar to yellow jackets and paper wasps that build a new nest every year. Each fall hornets die except for several queens. They are an aggressive wasp.

Yellow Jackets – Yellow jackets are 1/2 inch, black and yellow striped, and are social wasps that live in colonies and are common in Georgia. They nest in the ground and are aggressive when the nest is disturbed. People that are allergic to their sting should seek medical attention.

Mud Daubers – They are long and slender solitary wasps 1 to 1.5 inches in diameter. They can build mud tubings on the side of any housing area. Upon discovery of the nest, it is helpful to knock it down and wash the wall facing with soap and water.

Paper Wasps – These are large wasps, 1 inch and are aggressive where they nest. They build a paper-like honey cone nest under eaves and various debris. They are also a social wasp. When the nest is first noticed, it should be removed. If the nest is found away from human contact, it is best to leave it undisturbed, as they can be beneficial to Mother Nature.

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TYBEE WAS MORE FUN THAN CAMP

By Polly Wylly Cooper, *co-author of Tybee Days*

Many children living in the city packed suitcases in June for summer camps in North Carolina to ride horses, canoe on the lakes and sing songs around campfires.

Tybee children didn't take their suitcases out of the closets. Why should they? Tybee was "the best" and we knew it! We had our fun on the island.

Several of us little girls kept horses at the north end where the trailer camping site is today. This was a green pasture of several acres owned by the Strong family. Kay Strong and I often galloped along the beaches and out into the ocean. We cantered through flocks of seagulls sunning on the beach, scattering them skyward like confetti.

Beth Seedlock, daughter of Col. Robert and Hortense Seedlock, kept her horse at the Strongs too. Mrs. Seedlock drove her 1955 woody station wagon full of little horsey girls with pockets full of sugar cubes to take turns riding Beth's little chestnut mare.

Mr. Willie Whalen kept a dozen small horses called Marsh Tackys nearby and lent them to eager children who rode bareback all over the island. The area called Eagles' Nest had hilly sandy roads, making the ride out to Mrs. Tarantino's house at the end a ton of fun. Why would anyone want to leave Tybee for camp? Besides, campers had to wear shoes!

One summer, I begged my grandfather, Dr. Julian Chisholm, to let me take his mule to Tybee for the summer. He used "Dora" for deer hunts, but agreed as deer season was not "in." Dora was pokey, but still a pleasure to ride. I packed her big ears with cotton to keep out the biting horse flies.

In late August, Tybee children had to think about going back to school. Kay and I tried to put Dora into the horse trailer, but mules are stubborn. We pleaded, dangled carrots, blind-folded her, tried to spook her...nothing worked.

Just up the road we saw a gang of convicts swinging bush hooks. We asked the big man in charge if we could borrow two. He agreed and those strong men practically picked Dora up to load her into the trailer!

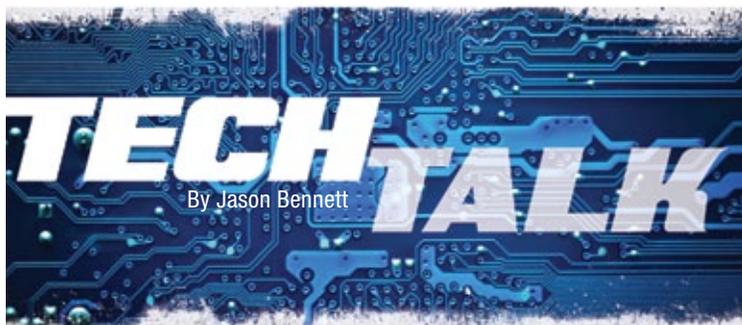
In the 50s, Gene Rimedio, Jr. kept Prince, a painted pony, in his parent's back yard on Jones Ave. Gene's dad built a cement block dollhouse for Gene's sister, Angela, but Prince moved in.

In the 70s, Nancy Bishop Hughes galloped Fahed, her Arabian horse, along the beach at the North End. "Shrimp boats going to Lazaretto idled and took pictures of me swimming with Fahed," said Nancy. "My parents owned nine at 40 Van Horne in Fort Screven. What a way to grow up!

Camp? Foey!!



Nancy Bishop Hughes tries to catch up with Dirty Sally. "I used to ride with Beth Anderson, Marty Davis and Maria Solomon. Those were the days!"



MANAGING YOUR DIGITAL WORLD

Technology is a major part of our modern lives; we are depending on our computers and phones more and more as time goes on. Maintaining all of your devices and keeping them up-to-date can be a challenge even for the seasoned guru.

There are several reasons for keeping your devices updated and secure. We must prepare for failures, as well as intrusion and software problems. Device failures can be caused by damaged hardware and software. In fact, most failures are caused by software problems. Modern devices such as smart phones and tablets, laptops and gaming systems, even your home and vehicle, may be depending on software to work properly.

Software damage and corruption can arise due to installing bad software, and even being exposed to the internet. Viruses and malware can be loaded on your device without any indication. Hackers and bugs known as “web bots” attempt to gain access to your devices while connected to the internet. The motivation behind these dangers is to gain your personal information for mainly identity theft. If they can find account numbers, username and password information, then they can steal from you and they will.

Fortunately, we have several methods of protecting our devices from software and hardware failures and intrusion.

The most common cause of software problems is failing to keep antivirus and operating systems updated. Antivirus and malware businesses are constantly battling these threats and sending out new updates to keep you protected as much as possible. Developers of operating systems are also sending out patches and fixes on a frequent basis to deal with threats and new hardware.

Another major cause of software failures is browsing and downloading unsafe material. I’ve witnessed and experienced first-hand how quickly a breach can happen. Simply clicking a link can destroy your operating system and damage files. Using search engines can be tricky, so be cautious of the links that you click from search results. Internet search engines do not filter what is found, they are trying to gather any information they can find for your search. It is actually sad how quickly and easily a disaster can occur.

Always be careful of what you click on, whether it be a search result list, or an ad, maybe a link on a website (website owners have no control over the ads that are placed on their sites), as well as emails. Email spoofing and “impersonating” has become a popular method of spreading viruses and committing fraud. Always be cautious of emails, even if they come from someone you know. Hackers and bugs “spoof” or fake known email addresses to fool the recipient and gain your trust.

My father-in-law received an email a few years back from his brother that stated “we are stranded in Spain, lost all of our identification and money, we have no way to get home, please send money ASAP.” So my father-in-law called his brother because he never heard about him going to Spain! He asked about the email and they had no clue what he was talking about. “We are not in Spain, we are home.” Imagine if they would have sent the money.

Finally, we should discuss hardware failures. Hardware will fail eventually, it is a fact and inevitable. A very important and often overlooked method of protection is power backup. Failure to implement a UPS system or “Uninterruptable Power Supply” can be your worst nightmare. Depending on your location, power outages and “brownouts” can be a common occurrence, and these can wreak havoc on computers and digital devices. UPS batteries are sold at many electronic outlets and are fairly inexpensive compared to replacing your computer. A typical backup battery will run anywhere from \$50 to \$100 depending on the amount of backup time you need and number of devices that will be backed up. These UPS batteries are well worth the cost and can save against total data loss and hardware failure.

To summarize, the number one and most effective solution to prevent data loss, **BACK UP YOUR DATA!**

Back up as often as you can, get an external hard drive and copy all of your files. External hard drives are inexpensive; pick one up at any tech store for around \$50. Save and backup often, use the cloud, copy your files to a second computer or laptop. Do not keep everything on one computer, one hard drive.

Most importantly – BACK IT UP (and Back off porn!).

A red rectangular advertisement for 'Breezy Taxi Riders'. The word 'Breezy' is written in a large, bold, black, cursive-style font. Below it, 'Taxi Riders' is written in a smaller, bold, black font. The phone number '912-665-9988' is prominently displayed in a large, bold, white font with a black outline. Underneath the phone number, the text 'Tybee's Designated Driver and Delivery Service' is written in a smaller, white font. At the bottom, it says 'Open 23 Hours a Day, 7 Days a Week' in a white font, followed by the slogan 'Please Dont Drive Drunk... Please' in a smaller, white font.

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SOCIAL MEDIA: GOOD V. EVIL

I ain't gonna lie, I love social media. It's good stuff. But, sigh, life can be a paradox, and there are many downsides to it too.

Let's start with the good. Always, start with the good. Social media gives us information at our fingertips. We never have to be in the dark anymore. Have a question? Bam! There's an answer. And it's so easy! I don't know how we ever did it before. Seriously, how did we ever survive? Seriously.

Social media gives small businesses the chance to get their message out to a large number of people with only a click. This provides countless opportunities that weren't available before the digital age. Word of mouth can make a small business spread like wildfire. Networking can be seamless.

I am terrible at keeping in touch with people, but with social media, I can do it with very little effort. I like your picture. I write Happy Birthday! on your wall. I give you a thumbs up when you complete your first marathon. We are in touch and I didn't even have to talk to you.

But...I didn't even have to talk to you. Something of human interaction has been lost with so much of our communication being done online. I missed the inflection in your voice. Didn't see you smile. Didn't hear your laughter that sounds like a cross between a little girl giggle and a hyena and always makes me laugh in return.

Not to mention, there's the fact that anyone can see not only what you post on social media, but what other people post about you. Had a wild time at that bonfire last weekend? Maybe drank a little too much and parted with some of your clothes? Maybe made some questionable choices about where and when and how and with whom you should dance? [Note: the author of this article has never done any of the above.] All it takes is a quick photo and a tag and Grandma knows all about it. And your boss. And the preacher. And the preacher's wife. Yikes. Watch out.

Did I also mention that your future boss has access to everything? Are you going to get that job because you or your friends posted that picture of you on Facebook behaving badly? Your post may change your life in ways you never imagined.

Then there's the politics. Shudder. Too many politics. And why is every single person I went to high school with trying to sell me weight loss supplements all of a sudden? And the selfies. Holy hell are there a lot of selfies.

But, in my opinion, the most damaging thing social media can do is make us compare our lives with other people's lives. We build these personas online and sometimes it's hard to remember that other people are building their own personas and that the face they put forward on social media is their best possible face. We can't compare our everyday, humdrum lives with someone's very best possible face.

Like most things in life, care should be taken with social media. Take some time and unplug from time to time. Step back and see it in perspective. And good God, unfriend anyone who tags an unflattering photo of you.

GO LOCAL MusicProfile

By Mike Manitta - Photos by Wen McNally

HIGH VELOCITY



I love how music can take us back to another time in our lives. There are certain songs we hear that remind us of our childhood, a certain event, we can even remember where we were the first time we heard a song, almost smell the air in the room at the time. That's one of the glorious powers of music. Being born in the early 70's I have always been partial to, or at least inspired by, the music of that time, when Rock n' Roll was really rockin'. Lynyrd Skynyrd, The Allman Brothers, Pink Floyd, the Eagles, Molly Hatchet, Kiss ... we all have a favorite song from these rock pioneers. Classic Rock, Southern Rock, call it what you will, but as generations grow the appeal remains. Stop by a crowded bar on a weekend to see a classic rock band and you can see twenty-somethings through seventy-somethings all grooving together, digging it.

Local band **High Velocity** has been cranking out the jams and pleasing the crowds since 2003. With Ray Tomasino on lead guitar and vocals, Ronnie Able on bass and lead vocals, Glenn Smith on drums and Steve Klahr on keyboards and lead vocals, these guys surely know how to get the party started and keep it going. When you attend one of their live shows, you can hear their influences pouring through. Country, Rock, Motown, Marshall Tucker, Charlie Daniels ... these guys are certainly pros at delivering a top-notch Rock n' Roll party experience.

Each bitten by the music bug at an early age, these guys were schooled by the musicians of their time. Being from this area, they were able to take full advantage of the acts of the 70's that were touring through this region, some even getting to jump on tour with their idols. "We were always in competition, stay in time, in tune," says Able, "everyone was watching." You had to be on top of your game at that time in your youth, and that's probably why he was asked to



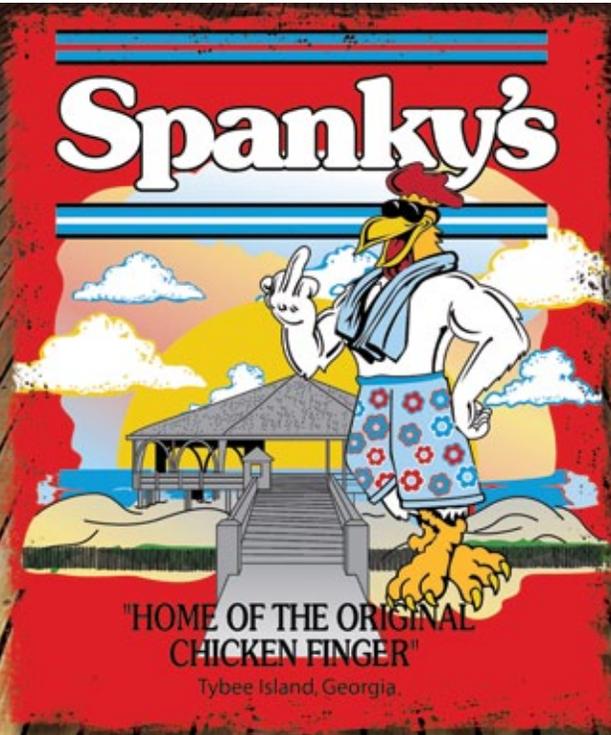
join Danny Joe Brown of Molly Hatchet on tour, while Hatchet was on a short break. Crammed into a van, just glad to be on tour, a young musician's dream. "The difference now is there is no pressure," adds Tomasino, "it's just fun, we're not competing, now we can just enjoy what we are doing, full circle."

Enjoy they do, they play constantly, several days a week. They have been featured on The St. Patty's stages on River Street in Savannah, as well as City Market, and practically every bar and club in town. They've opened for 38 Special, Steppenwolf, Firefall, Marshall Tucker, Sawyer Brown, Bad Company, Ambrosia, Jimmy Van Zant, Doc Holiday, just to name a few. Here on Tybee they are featured regularly at Doc's Bar as well as Nickie's. I highly recommend catching these guys live, they know what they are doing and they really bring the room alive. Make sure to say "Hi" during the set breaks, they have plenty of stories to share. Just don't offer Ray any ramen noodles and don't ask about the Pringles.



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THE BEACH BUMS ARE COMING!

By Pam Smith - Photos by Wen McNally

Yay!! It's May!! Time for our favorite event – The Beach Bum Parade! I had the honor in 2010 to be the Beach Bum Queen and once more I have the honor to write about it.

Nowhere else in the world has a parade quite like it. It's a Tybee Original that attracts people from all over the U.S. People even plan their vacations around it. This year marks the 30th year for the Beach Bums. The Coronation will be held Wednesday, May 11, at Marlin Monroe's 7pm. The Beach Bum Parade will be on Friday, May 20, starting at 6pm at the North Beach Parking Lot.

Now, let me introduce to you this year's inductees for the parade:



Grand Marshall – Captain Royce Woodard
Where do I begin to tell you about Captain Royce, a true Tybee spirit and a great story teller!

The Captain has been living on Tybee since 1937! Whoa!! He is a man of the water; a shrimper who has been shrimping "since Christ was a child." He not only owns a shrimp boat, Las Ninas (meaning The Girls, his 3 daughters), but also owns and operates Lazaretto Creek Seafood. When asked about the strangest things he's caught in his net, well ... a body for one, not to mention a depth charge that had not discharged.

Captain Royce has been happily married to his beautiful bride, Teri, for 58 years and they have three daughters, Teriseta, Angie and Doris – the true apples of his eyes. He was a captain in the Army during the 50s, and met his wife while serving in Puerto Rico. It's not hard to tell what his passions are: his family and the sea.

When asked what he wanted to be when he grew up: "Well," he said, "if I ever grow up that means I will have to retire, and that's just not happening."

Here's an ironic twist to this story – Being a Shrimper and a Man of the Sea, our Grand Marshall this year said "I hope I don't get wet!"

One thing I can say about Captain Royce is that he is a Grand Man to be our Grand Marshall.



Beach Bum Queen – Carol Kaminsky

For the past 30 years, Carol's one Goal in Life was to be "The Queen." But only for the Beach Bums! She has always considered the parade as a time-honored tradition and great fun.

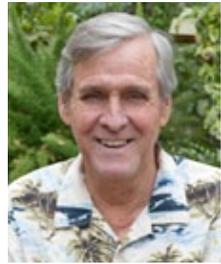
Congrats Girl! You made it!!

Her dad, Sol Kaminsky, owned and operated the first Cadillac dealership in Savannah. They owned a house and lived on Tybee for nearly 20 years, but moved back to Savannah to be near his business. Carol returned to Tybee in 1986 and has been here

ever since. She has one son, Jamey, who is 23 years old. Carol is employed at The Desoto Beach Hotel and has worked the front desk for about 3 years. She also owns a rental property at Savannah Beach and Racquet Club.

Carol has several passions: She loves animals; she loves to impersonate Rodney Dangerfield in stand-up comedy; she loves to sing Louis Armstrong's "It's a Wonderful World" (her version); and her favorite holiday is Halloween and "dressing down" for the occasion (if you know Carol you know what this means!).

When asked "What do you want to be when you grow up?" she replied "Alive and still performing!"



Be sure to check Carol out in her next performance as "The Queen of the Beach Bums!"

Big Kahuna – Michael "Spec" Hosti

Spec has lived on Tybee since he was five years old. He is #5 of 8 children, born to "Uncle Ernest" and Dot Hosti. He was the only son and has seven "wonderful" sisters. He has been married to Debbie Kight Hosti for 42 years. They have one daughter, Lynn, and two beautiful grandchildren, Anthony, 17 years old, and Olivia, 1 year old.

Spec retired from Fort Pulaski after 38 years as Chief of Maintenance. His passions are Family and Music. Spec sings and plays Mandolin. He has his own band "The Spec Hosti Band," but occasionally plays in "The Jimmy Wolling Band." He recently attended a blue-grass festival that he has played at for 25 years.

When asked what he wanted to be when he grew up, his remark was, "I haven't made up my mind yet ... but being Big Kahuna was on my Bucket List!"

In closing, REMEMBER that this is our 30th Beach Bum Parade, and if we want to keep having this Tybee tradition continue, we need to be responsible in keeping it a safe event.

Five Simple Rules:

1. No ice in the water. The water is cold enough.
2. Please wait until after the parade is over to party. You're gonna need your wits to keep those water guns loaded to defend the lower ranks!
3. **Do not** spray water at the Police! They are wearing expensive gear that will cost YOU to replace – not to mention a court date.
4. Most Important!! – Look after your little ones.
5. Have Fun and Get Wet!!

KEEPING KIDS' MINDS & BODIES ACTIVE

Summer is just around the corner and with it, children's break from the routine—mornings spent sleeping in, afternoons spent watching television or playing video games in the cool air conditioning and evenings enjoying a nice ice cream cone before bed. It may sound great, but a summer spent like this can have lasting negative effects.

Kids are less physically active and engaged in learning during the summer months and research shows that children gain weight two to three times faster than during the school year. In addition to that, kids can fall behind academically because they don't have access to out-of-school learning opportunities.

With this in mind, on Saturday, May 7, 2016 from 12:00pm to 3:00pm, the Tybee Island YMCA and Rec. Dept. is hosting the 25th annual YMCA's Healthy Kids Day®, the Y's national initiative to improve the health and well-being of kids and families. Healthy Kids Day is a powerful reminder not to let children idle away their summer days but instead, focus on physical and mental play. Across the nation nearly 1.3 million participants will partake in games, healthy cooking demonstrations, arts and crafts and more. Here at the Tybee Island YMCA and Rec. Dept. families and children will have the chance to see some reptiles, learn healthy dental habits, dance during Zumba and play in the inflatable obstacle course, all to motivate and teach families how to develop a healthy routine at home.

"The Y believes in the potential of all children, and we strive to help kids find the Wow! factor inside themselves. A child's

development is never on vacation and Healthy Kids Day is a great opportunity to educate families and motivate kids to stay active in spirit, mind and body throughout the summer," said Haley Hill, Branch Director of the Tybee Island Y and Rec. Dept.

In celebration of YMCA's Healthy Kids Day, the Y offers the following tips to help families develop healthy habits:

High Five the Fruits and Veggies – Make sure kids get at least five servings a day, the minimum number nutritionists recommend to maintain healthy childhood development. And to keep kids' taste buds evolving, have everyone in the family try at least one bite of a new fruit or vegetable at least once a month.

Foster an Early and Ongoing Passion for Books – Read to and with your kids. Help children read at every age and every stage of their development.

Team Up for Athletic Events – Set a family goal of great health by teaming up for community or charity events like races, walks, fun runs, bike rides, etc.

Volunteer Together – Find a cause that matters to the kids. Open their eyes to a world beyond themselves and the rich rewards that come from making a difference.

Make sleep a priority – Doctors recommend 10-12 hours of sleep a day for children ages 5-12 and 7-8 hours per night for adults. Sleep plays a critical role in maintaining our healthy immune system, metabolism, mood, memory, learning and other vital functions.

From the RIVER'S END...

By Woody Hemphill

Each year, after the last putt has dropped on the 18th green up the road a ways in Augusta, the residents of Tybee Island discover that being a local is on the rest of the world's bucket list. Luckily, we are a community that values and appreciates the opportunity to host excellent experiences for others who work all year to enjoy what we do daily. That's because on Tybee, having company defines our companies, and we have guests - not visitors. Everyone is a local - some just stay 'home' a little longer than others.

We understand the importance of the responsibility to keep Tybee beautiful and recognize the series of required tasks involved as more and more folks 'discover' us each year.

For year-round residents, we display our parking decals as prominently as a policeman wears a badge in a time-honored tradition that includes the placement of the new parking decal above the old one. This practice becomes an actual badge of courage as the windshield becomes a calendar depicting our seniority. The parking decal is the Tybee resident's version of the tree ring. As such, we are sworn to 'protect and serve' as a motley crew of unorthodox ambassadors. Where temporary locals may swear about the price of parking, or allege to never return - revenues raised are used to protect them from drowning, and assists in picking up after them - so we just figure the parking decal is a microcosm for making lemonade out of the proverbial lemons we find in life, at times.

Despite our identification as 'Stewards of the Sand', we're like most other folks in most other places. This dynamic impacts our day-to-day lives and defines meaning in how we 'see' the world - how we interpret the nature of 'things' and how we manage change. Ultimately, whether we resist, strive to manage it, or adapt - island people are accustomed to working collectively through adversity. For example, we boast the highest voter turnout during any election - always. We also congregate regularly to mobilize for the benefit of another, and have no qualms about expressing our sentiments, especially regarding inter-personal & political outcomes - and we do every bit of it while having more parades than anyone this side of New Orleans! We don't subscribe to the hipster premise that a place is 'done' after becoming 'mainstream' or accessible to the masses. Nevertheless, in the back of our mind we're always mindful that the hosting of Miley & Mellencamp, or Deniro and The Rock could constitute 'loving Tybee to death'.

Ironically, local legend holds that the perception of Tybee's needs by those in authority positions who lived elsewhere was not a priority until recently. Apparently, little regard was shown about the impression that Tybee residents made to folks from other locations, in general. This wasn't even widely acknowledged until people moved to Tybee that were not originally from Tybee. I guess most folks just figured if you were lucky enough to live here, you were lucky enough and didn't really need to go anywhere else. As anyone who threw a party in high school when your parents were out-of-town (or who has read Dr. Seuss) knows, those folks were visited by friends, who brought other friends . . . and now we spend a couple of million dollars annually to attract nice folks to come here - and a few more million in resources to make sure that those who don't know

how to act nice aren't here for very long.

Yet, there's more to this little island than a beach, and a series of festivals annually. Tybee is different because it isn't connected to the rest of the world - geographically, politically, or socially - and for the most part, we're agreeable to alienation. Tybee is often compared to Key West, a correlation that's not too difficult to understand, but there's another aspect of both communities that are shared that is rarely discussed in polite company. Today, even the staunchest social critics and fiscal conservatives see the need for the provision of a remedy to improve the logistical shortcomings stemming from sole access of a single-lane road/bridge to provide access to a major tourist destination.

I'm fascinated to watch how this is being addressed by local leaders who are working with the 'powers that be' on the other side of the bridge, and up the road because of how we've classically-trained ourselves to be viewed as 'outsiders' or 'different'. Certainly this will bring change to an island that has managed to enhance its culture by not changing. An unfortunate byproduct of Southern culture is that too often we love our neighbors by leaving them to their own devices.

However, in this instance, being left to our own devices when accidents happen is haphazard - and history has rarely been defined by looking the other way. Ben Franklin once said that death and taxes were the only two constants in life, hence, change is inevitable. Sooner or later, that bridge is being built, the road widened, and you can rest assured that Tybee will address the change in true fashion. Yet, rather than lamenting the time-frame, publicly complaining, or sitting idly by waiting for others to do what they can with what they've got to work with, I've begun a new habit that has been empowering. Each time I travel to and from the island on my way to wherever I'm going - I silently tell myself that the past may be viewed as memorable by others, but that the greatness of my future will be defined by me, and me alone - no matter which side of the bridge I call home.

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- 5/1 **Boston** – Johnny Mercer Theatre – Savannah
- 5/1 **Beyonce** – Georgia Dome – Atlanta
- 5/3 **Paul Simon** - Fox Theatre – Atlanta
- 5/4 **Citizen Cope** – Center Stage – Atlanta
- 5/5 **Lukas Graham** – Vinyl – Atlanta
- 5/6 **Rob Zombie** – Aaron’s Amphitheatre at Lakewood - Atlanta
- 5/7 **The Avett Brothers** – Verizon Wireless Ampitheatre – Alpharetta
- 5/13 **An Evening with Verlon Thompson** - Tybee Post Theater
- 5/14 **Florence and the Machine** – Amway Center – Orlando
- 5/15 **Tybee City Limits** – Various artists – Tybee post Theater
- 5/18 **Rihanna** – Philips Arena - Atlanta
- 5/20 **Walter Parks** – Swamp by Chandelier – Tybee Post Theater
- 5/20 - 5/22 **Shaky Beats Music Festival** – Atlanta
- 5/21 **Ike Stubblefield Quartet** – Tybee Post Theater
- 5/22 **Collin’s Comedy Club**, featuring Collin Moulton – Tybee Post Theater
- 6/4 **Dolly Parton** – Infinite Energy Center – Duluth, GA
- 6/8 **The Doobie Brothers** – Aarons Ampithetre at Lakewood – Atlanta
- 6/9 - 6/12 **Bonnaroo** – Manchester, TN
- 6/10 **Dead & Company** - PNC Music Pavilion Charlotte
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WHAT TO DO FOR KIDS AND YOU!

By Elizabeth Jones

Activities for May!

"Stepping Out" - A hilarious comedy play by Richard Harris. A live theater performance at the Tybee Arts Center on #7 Cedarwood Avenue in the quaint "Black Box Theater." Dates: May 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 21, 22 and 23. For more information or to purchase tickets, go to www.tybeearts.org or call (912) 786-5920.

Tybee Art Association's

"Memorial Day Arts Show and Sale" will be held on May 28 and 29. The artists will display handcrafted artwork in a variety of mediums at the Tybee Arts Center on #7 Cedarwood Avenue. For more information or to purchase tickets, go to www.tybeearts.org or call (912) 786-5920.

Tybee Summer Theater Camp for Kids 2016 is being held from June 13 - 24. The 2 week theater camp is for kids 6 to 16 years old. The Camp is Monday through Friday 9am - 3pm, and the cost for the 2 weeks is \$250. As always, we end the 2 weeks with a Camp Production on the last day of camp. For more information or to purchase tickets, go to www.tybeearts.org or call (912) 786-5920.

SCAD Sand Arts Festival

May 6th, 10am-5pm

North Beach

Gather to watch students from Savannah College of Art and Design compete in a sand castle building contest.

SPRING INTO Events

Tybee Island YMCA's 25th Annual Healthy Kids Day®

May 7th, 12pm-3pm

Healthy Kids Day is a powerful reminder not to let children idle away their summer days, but instead focus on physical and mental play. Across the nation nearly 1.3 million participants will partake in games, healthy cooking demonstrations, arts and crafts and more. At the Tybee Island YMCA and Rec. Dept. families and children will have the chance to see some reptiles, learn healthy dental habits, dance during Zumba and play in the inflatable obstacle course, all to motivate and teach families how to develop a healthy routine at home.

Fairy & Gnome Festival at Oatland Island

May 7th 10am-2pm - Regular Admission

Join the Oatland Island family for a day of enchantment! This family-themed festival is all about the "wee folk" getting up close with the natural world and encouraging imaginative outdoor play. Dress in costume and flaunt your wings in the fashion show; mine for magic gems; frolic in the enchanted forest for a fairy surprise; construct a fairy village; enjoy games and crafts inspired by the natural world. Bring the whole family and stroll through Oatland's magical trails and maybe you will catch a glimpse of a fairy or gnome looking for a place to call home. Additional fees may apply and all proceeds go to feeding Oatland's magical animal kingdom!

Tybee's 30th Annual Beach Bum Parade

May 20th, 6:30pm-8:30pm

Gather your water guns and prepare to be soaked at the most exciting water fight you'll ever attend.

Tybee YMCA Summer Camps

Registration for YMCA summer camps began on March 1st.

Day Camp: ages 5-12, May 23rd-August 3rd

Surf Camps: ages 8-16, May 23rd- 27th, June 6th-10th & 20th-24th, and July 11th-15th

Waterman Camps: (surf and kayak): ages 8-16, June 27th- July 1st & July 25th-29th

Stand Up Paddleboard Camp: ages 8-16, July 18th-22nd

Culinary Arts Camp: ages 12-17, June 13th-17th

For more info visit:

<http://ymcaofcoastalga.org/ymca/tybee-island-ymca-summer-day-camp>.





Reflections

By Hollie Sessoms

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO AN IMPERFECT MOM

Mom, this Mother's Day I want to say thank you not for your unconditional love (who really has that anyway?) or your sacrifices (mothers aren't the only ones who sacrifice, you know), but for your imperfections. For all the times you made the wrong parenting choices.

Remember that one night we had banana splits for supper? Not exactly the stuff of child-rearing books, is it? In fact, in a highly unscientific poll I conducted, 10 out of 10 doctors and dentists agree: don't do this. But I'll never forget that night—piling crushed pineapple, vanilla ice cream, and chocolate syrup on top of my bananas and finishing the whole thing off with an impressive mound of canned whipped cream. From time to time health must be sacrificed for memories.

Thank you for all those times you didn't make me and my brother wear our seatbelts and left us home alone when we were just wee little elementary-aged children. Holy crap, you totally would have been arrested if you were a parent today! Yet, somehow we survived. Hmmm.

In fact, thank you for all the times you weren't there for me. All the times you didn't entertain me and I had to be creative and entertain myself. All the times I just had to figure things out on my own. "Where are the parents?" all the moms of today would scream at you. You would be shunned at playdates and the park.

You did, admittedly, do some things right: gave me a love of Jackson Browne, and books, and the ocean. You gave me the ability to see humor in a dark situation. You gave me a deep-seated hatred of the mall and cash registers that I will always cherish. But that's not what I'm thanking you for today.

Today I'm thanking you for all the times you yelled when you should have hugged and all the times you hugged when you should have yelled. All the second-hand smoke and R-rated movies. That one time you snuck me into a bar when I was only twenty. Thank you. We don't have to be perfect at this parenting thing. Sometimes we just have to get through the day. And you got me through thousands of days and thousands of menacing nights when monsters lurked under my bed and beasts haunted from the closet.

And just the other day, I went to call you. I searched for your name on my phone, pushed Mom and was confused when the call wouldn't go through. I tried again and again until I finally realized I was *Mom* in the contact list I share with my son's phone. I was trying to call myself. The circle has closed.

Banana splits for supper tonight.

Life's a Beach Events

What's happening in May By Mom

5-2 Tybee Farmers Market 10am-1pm at 10 Veterans Dr. Local fruits and vegetables, with a side of a variety of goods available. Tybee Farmers Market is every Monday. Support your local farmers!

5-4 Wine Club Meets at Social or Fish Camp at 6:00 pm. Call Curtis at (912) 472-4044 for more info.

5-6 SCAD Sand Arts Festival Savannah College of Art & Design with students, alumni and staff creating their art with sand. Come watch this free event and cheer your favorite artist. Held at North Beach, Tybee Island. Begins at 10am.

5-6 EVP Pro Beach Volleyball Tour 3-5pm at 1 Tybrisa St. This annual event is a must see for athletes and spectators.

5-6 thru 5-8 (see additional dates below) "Stepping Out" A hilarious comedy play by Richard Harris. A live theater performance at the Tybee Arts Center at #7 Cedarwood Ave. in the quaint "Black Box Theater." Dates: May 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 21, 22 & 23. For more info or to purchase tickets, go to www.tybeearts.org or call (912) 786-5920.

5-6 & 5-27 Sunset Tours 2016 After-hours tours of the Lighthouse at 30 Meddin Dr. Call 912-786-5801 for reservations.

5-7 25th Annual YMCA's Healthy Kids Day Helps Local Kids Discover their Wow! Factor. 12-3pm at Memorial Park. This is a free community event for children and families. There will be live reptiles, dancing during a Zumba class, and the fire department will have engine and gear for kids to try on. Don't miss it! Call Haley Hill or Sarah Chambers at 912-786-9622 if you have questions.

5-8 Mother's Day Call your Mama!

5-14 19th Annual Tybee Island Tour of Homes 10am-4pm Tour of Homes is an island-wide event. Buses will be leaving the Tybee Island Maritime Academy, 714 Lovell Ave., at 10am. For further info, contact tybeeislandtour@comcast.net.

5-15 Ft. Pulaski Centennial Series Every 3rd Sunday of the month through December, 2016 at Ft. Pulaski, Hwy 80. Each month will have a different event. This month is yoga. Contact Joel Cadoff at 912-786-5785 ext. 1208 for more info

5-20 30th Annual Beach Bum Parade 6:30-7:30pm this annual water-fight event will take place on the Butler Ave. parade route. Join in the madness and mayhem with your favorite water weapon of choice. Do be prepared to get soaked.

5-20 Walter Parks - Swamp by Chandelier 8-10pm at the Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. For more info call 912-472-4790.

5-20 Xuluprophet 8pm performance at North End Tybee Beach - 3rd walkway.

5-28 & 5-29 Memorial Day Arts Show and Sale Sponsored by the Tybee Arts Association. The artists will display handcrafted artwork in a variety of mediums at the Tybee Arts Center at #7 Cedarwood Ave. For more info or to purchase tickets, go to www.tybeearts.org or call (912) 786-5920.



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Behind the Tape...

By Jessica Wright



Tybee Island Police Department is growing! There are no shortages of events in our community and we are looking for Volunteers to assist with special events, community outreach, administrative duties and special projects. Your knowledge and expertise will enhance the operations of the Tybee Island Police Department, as well as build a stronger community by being proactive in finding problem-solving efforts and building partnerships between police, community stakeholders and residents alike.

Volunteers are required to complete a Volunteer Packet which includes Volunteer Standards, Code of Ethics and Criminal Background Check. The Volunteers are committed to attending monthly meetings and reach quarterly activity goals to be considered "Active Volunteers." Tybee Island activities you may have seen the Volunteers assisting with include Irish Heritage Parade and Tybee Police Spring Fling. We look forward to this community partnership and are super excited about all this year has to offer!

If you are interested in becoming a member of our volunteer team stop by the Police Department to pick up a Volunteer Packet or e-mail: Jessica Wright, Volunteer / Community Outreach Liaison, jwright@cityoftybee.org – OR - Lt Emory Randolph, Patrol / Volunteer Supervisor, erandolph@cityoftybee.org.



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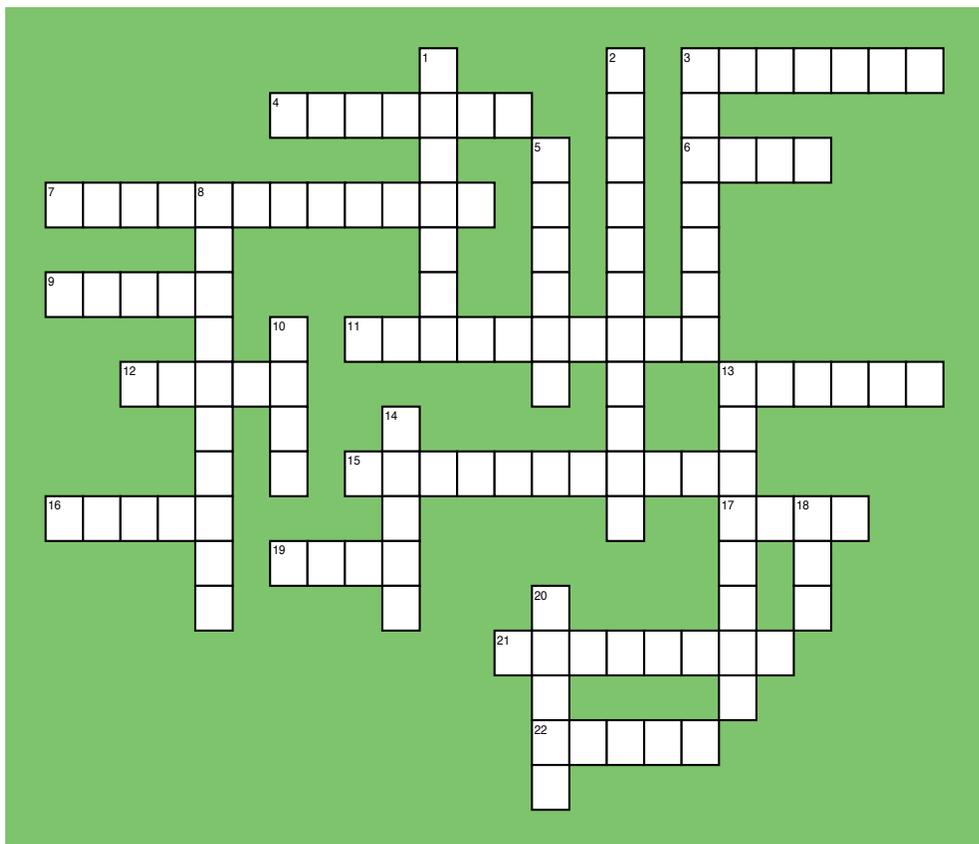
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- 7 Music Profile Band (2 wds.)
- 9 Tybee resident's version of the tree ring
- 11 TIPD IS looking for these
- 12 Color of a garden thumb
- 13 Bizz Buzz Riders
- 15 Rant topic (2 wds.)
- 16 It's time for this fish near shore
- 17 Polly said Tybee was more fun than this
- 19 Big Kahuna
- 21 Tech Talk says do this often (3 wds.)
- 22 Surfer Girl says we are all connected by this

DOWN

- 1 Joey says to be this if you drive a taxi
- 2 Tybee's movie house (2 wds.)
- 3 Sports Bookie subject
- 5 Foodie Finds never met one she didn't like
- 8 Tour that is held on the beach
- 10 Novel by Sandra Brown
- 13 Tybee's premiere parade (2 wds.)
- 14 Grand Marshall
- 18 5th Month
- 20 Beach Bum Queen



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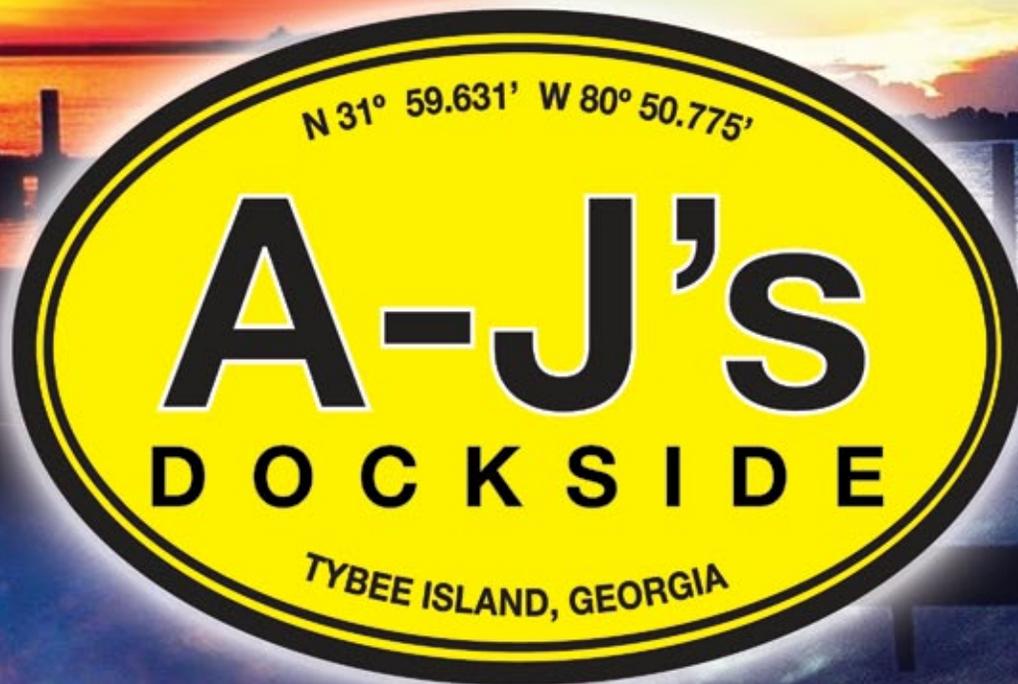
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