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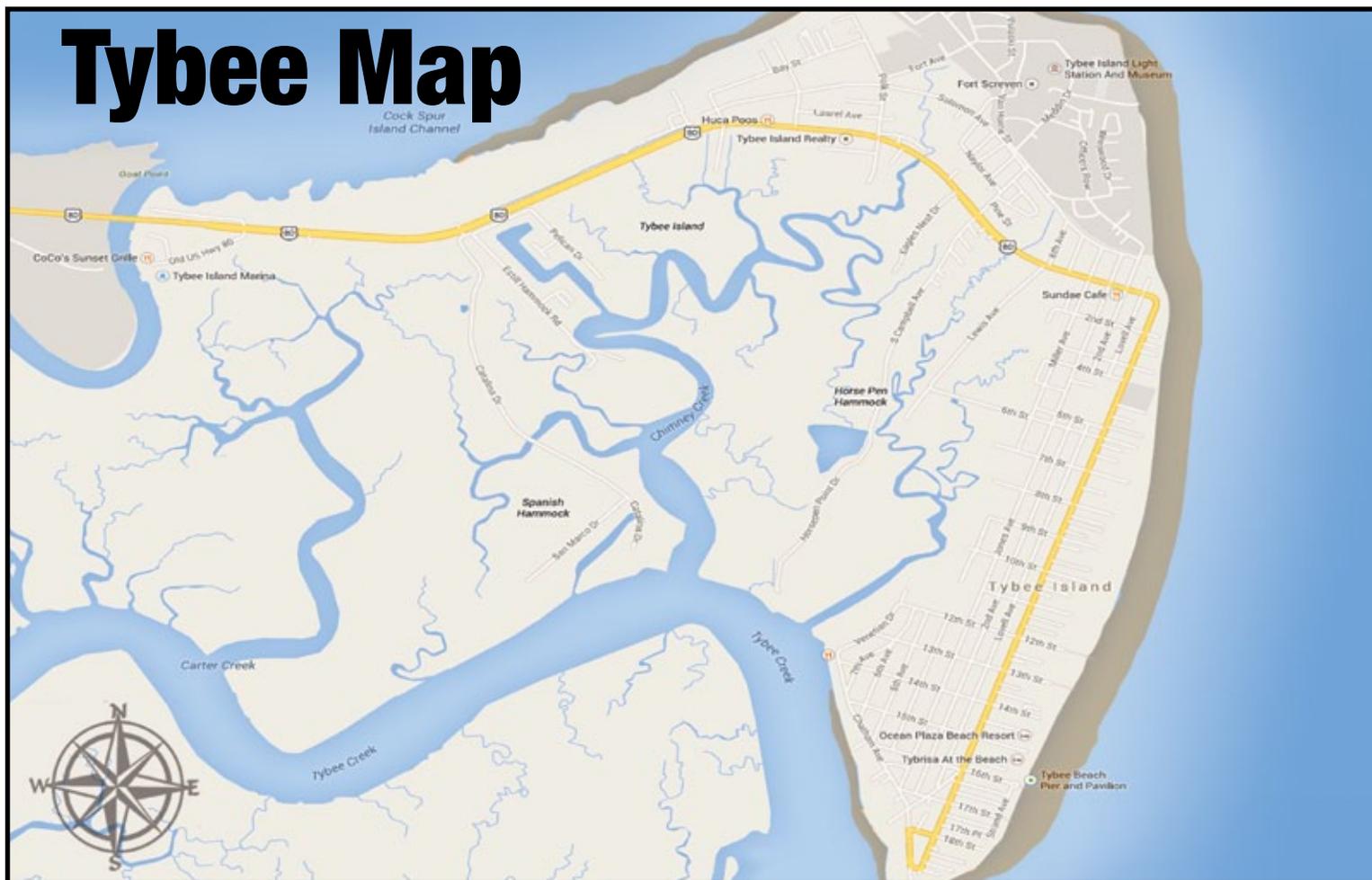
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The Beachcomber staff is appearing in no particular order and have written a blurb next to their picture to define or explain their insanity (if that's possible). Additionally, we thought it would be fun to have the writers hold their weapon of choice to signify their responsibilities, i.e., Rick has a mallet (for beating me up), Margie has a bottle of vodka (for beating herself up), I have a bottle of Fireball (to not care about deadlines), Joy has her surfboard, Nell has her book ....

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# FROM THE EDITOR

## Happy First Anniversary Tybee Beachcomber!!!!

One year! Holy s\$%! You know the one year anniversary is the diamond anniversary, so anyone wanting to send congratulatory gifts knows what to send!

What a year and education it has been. It seems like just a minute ago Rick, Margie, Mac, my Mom, and I were gathered around the living room table with our various glasses of...water...trying to figure out what we were going to call this new adventure and how in the name of all that is holy were we going to pull this off in the middle of the off season. Divine intervention and the support of Tybee locals on our little rock have made the Tybee Beachcomber an amazing success and we could not be prouder of our baby!

I am very excited about the Feature Story. Once again we are focusing on the writers and reminding everyone of whom you are reading. We do not always have space to place the pictures of our writers next to their article, so here is your opportunity to see your favorite up close and in person! I have to say, getting this group together on a certain date and time was like trying to lasso a unicorn while simultaneously riding side saddle (without the benefit of the saddle) on a donkey and carrying a light saber. We got it done though and everyone finally got to meet each other! Good times that photo shoot! Let's not do it again for another year. Please.

The "Traveling Beachcomber" has been a complete and total crazy success! I have seen some really cool pictures. I have also seen some pictures that I should have called the police about, but I didn't, because I'm still giggling. I am absolutely delighted to declare a tie for the month of February. Between the baby girl and dog none of us could make a decision: So the **grandbaby** belongs to **Brant and Sandy Hackney** of Tybee, and the dog (**Spartacus**) belongs to **The Bricker Clan** from Vancouver, Washington. Both the baby and the dog will receive a \$25 gift certificate to A-J's Dockside! Please invite me! Those conch fritters are out of this world!!

**THANK YOU TYBEE!!!! 2016 is just going to get better!**

P.S. A special shout out to our Logistical Goddess **BeeGee Harrington!**





# Our Anniversary

By Micheal Elliot

"It's our forty-fifth wedding Anniversary," the beaming couple exclaim after Bar Church.

"That's fantastic," I enthusiastically congratulate while hugging them, "thirty-seven of the happiest years of your life!"

"What?" they ask, prying themselves away from our embrace.

"It probably evens out right?" I smile. "Eight bad years out of forty-five ain't too shabby."

His wife's dimples deepen as her green eyes twinkle and she snorts before giggling.

He scratches his bald head, covering a furrowed brow and a frown, before asking, "What in the Hell is so funny?"

She and I laugh harder which further frustrates him.

"Honey," she says, squeezing his arm, "all those mornings I was talking while you read the paper and drank your coffee, mumbling... 'Ummm, Hmmm' ...don't count as especially happy. They just were."

"What?" he demands, stiffening.

She laughs again as I step away and talk to Norm at the Bar.

"Honey...think about the times you wanted to get frisky but I was tending to the kids..."

"Yeah," he slowly remembers.

"Those times weren't especially great either were they?"

"No," he answers in bewilderment.

"Those are the times that make up the eight years of our marriage," she tenderly hugs him again. "But damn ain't the other thirty-seven been grand?"

The furrowed brow is smoothed to a glossy forehead as the frown turns around.

"I always wanted more of you," he lovingly laughs, squeezing her back. "Dammit I still do!"

Blushing she smiles beatifically, "I know ... Damn kids and damn obligations."

And they kiss right in the middle of Bar Church...as Davy packs away the drums, John carries the Congas to his car, Lona packs her guitar and Mary wipes the bar...and I step back up inside their circle.

"You know what?" the old man grins.

"No," I reply.

"We've lost eight years we've got to make up for."

"Oh yeah?"

"An Anniversary means nothing until you make it one," he seriously says, squeezing her wrinkled arm which makes his bride giggle.

"No place better than the Beach," I offer.

"Yes sir," he winks, guiding his love out of the Bar into the sunshine towards the roar of the Sea.

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3	We	3:27a 6.2	3:41p 5.8	9:57a 0.9	10:00p 0.5	7:16a	5:59p	2:45a	1:37p	
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10	We	9:14a 8.0	9:31p 7.7	3:10a -1.4	3:42p -1.4	7:11a	6:05p	8:29a	8:37p	
11	Th	10:02a 7.8	10:22p 7.7	3:59a -1.3	4:29p -1.4	7:10a	6:06p	9:11a	9:43p	
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## Tybee Island Bucket List

- Run a marathon with Critz Tybee Run Fest
- Put on your jammies and join the Pajama Crawl
- 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
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# THE Sports Bookie

By Patrick Sauers

I have been writing this column for an entire year now and it has been great. This magazine has provided me with an outlet to show my distaste of NASCAR, express my love/hate relationship with my Georgia teams, and has given me a reason to continuously procrastinate. Seriously, this column was due two days ago! Year two of The Sports Bookie begins with the granddaddy of all spectacles. Super Bowl 50 is set to happen on February 7 at Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara, California. There is speculation from all sorts of sources, both newsworthy and fan theory, that this has potential to be full of grandeur, excitement and hilarity.

I know that some of you may be thinking that I am going to write about the same things that made it into my inaugural edition of this column. In the words of NFL superstar Aaron Rodgers, "Relax." It's hard not to want to mention the Left Shark that stole the show, but I am going to keep it fresh. This tends to be a struggle for any writer that has to write about the same events year after year. The events are the same, but the players are different. Did anyone think that it was going to be Kirk Cousins who led the crummy Redskins to the playoffs? Crummy may be a poor choice of descriptive image for a team that made the playoffs, but does anyone remember RG3's career outside of Subway commercials? Poor guy was pretty damn likeable, but he just didn't have what it takes to be a franchise quarterback. Good thing he locked up that sponsorship deal.

I would like to see the Seahawks make it to the Super Bowl. I am an avid Russell Wilson fan, but I really want the chance to see the Seahawks redeem themselves. I hope that the one doing the redemption is going to be Marshawn Lynch because I think that his interview with the media at the end of the game would be far more entertaining than the Super Bowl itself. Lynch is a player who has a long history of stonewalling the media, but has been on shows such as FX's The League while alluding to last year's baffling call by coach Pete Carroll. I would like to see the exact set up and see what would happen. However, I think that it is going to be the Arizona Cardinals that surprise everyone and take the Lombardi trophy back to Phoenix. Unfortunately, I just don't feel like there are too many variables that I am missing to make this a lock.

If there is one thing that I will make a lock, it is going to be the extravagant planning that will surely be a remarkable halftime show. Last year's was pretty over the top with *Katy Perry* riding on a shooting star across the stadium, but will *Coldplay* be able to one up her? I have seen rumors of appearances by celebs like *Beyonce* and *Bruno Mars* to add more heat to the Bay area, and the way that

the NFL loves to spend money and be the biggest league in sports, I have no reason to believe that the 50th anniversary of the Super Bowl will be anything less that incredible.

February also kicks off the running season on island with the **Critz Tybee Run Fest**. The annual weekend event combines 5 runs that total a marathon, and every year it kind of makes me think that I can run a



marathon. It also makes me appreciate warm weather. I understand that there is a widespread belief that the cooler weather is supposed to be better conditions for a runner, but it is so hard to abandon a warm bed, cinnamon rolls and coffee. For all those readers that have a little bit of discipline for sticking to their work-out regiment, you should cruise down to the island and take a shot at running a marathon in one weekend and really earn that 26.2 magnet that is plastered throughout the cars of the Lowcountry.

I hope that the second year of this magazine will be even more successful than the previous. It has been a privilege to write a column each month that has small limitations and allows me to express what is happening in my mind in the form of pen and paper. Thanks to all the readers who have taken five minutes of their busy lives to read what I have to say each month.

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# MusicProfile

By Mike Manitta



## A TRIBUTE TO DAVID BOWIE

David Robert Jones aka **David Bowie**, just days after releasing his 25th album on his 69th birthday, has left the mortal world behind after more than forty years on the global music scene. A true artist ahead of his time, he lost his battle with lung cancer on January 10, 2016, and left an indelible mark on the music industry.

Born and raised in South London, Bowie made a splash on the music scene in 1969 in the UK with his release of “*Space Oddity*.” But it was his androgynous alter ego *Ziggy Stardust* that really catapulted him to fame, during the glam rock era of the early 70’s. By the mid 70’s he landed cross-over success in the US with the single *Fame* and album *Young Americans*. The early 80’s garnished Bowie success with the collaboration with the band Queen and the single *Under Pressure*, as well as the album *Let’s Dance*, which also produced several hits.

Being born in the early 70’s, I remember discovering *Changes One Bowie* when I was 11 or 12 years old. I’m sure the stuttering catchy melody from the song *Changes* was part of the initial appeal. It quickly became one of my favorites and I wore that album out. Of course at the time I didn’t realize it was a compilation of greatest hits, but later it made me seek out the original sources and become an even bigger fan.

Even though Bowie did enjoy success in film and television with several feature roles as well as cameos, music was always his mainstay. There is no denying that his early glam rock days, as well as reinvention over the years, has inspired countless musicians and artists and paved the way, redefining how Rock and Roll and artistry was to be perceived. His glam rock days have reached a cult-like status over the decades and continue to inspire to this day.

Bowie married supermodel, Iman, in 1992 and is survived by her and two children, one from a previous marriage. Together they did a great job keeping their family life private, while fueling two separate careers.

Experimenting through fashion, pop music, rock, and electronic, Bowie has left an extraordinary legacy, from a fearless super talented individual, and for that the world thanks him. We thank you for the music and the inspiration, until we meet again, Farewell Ziggy.



# HAPPY ANNIVERSA

**We have come full circle my friends!** One year later and here is our group of crazies that drop whatever they are doing and create stories for the rest of us to enjoy. Now granted, there have been many times when my foot has to be inserted into their...laptops...to get the genius flowing, but all of these people have put their complete heart and soul into this project and time and again have proved themselves capable of the job.



**Rick Flynn aka Rick the D\$#k**  
Publisher/Design & Layout

**Alaina Loughridge** - Publisher/  
Writer/Advertising & Sales

*"The Tybee Beachcomber has been a fun and adventurous challenge! I can't wait to see what 2016 will bring."*



**Elizabeth Jones** - What to Do For Kids

*"Writing for the Tybee Beachcomber has been one of the most exciting things I've been a part of. This past year I have gotten many phone calls from Alaina about whose hair she currently wants to pull out, usually her own. I have also learned a very important lesson, don't miss your deadlines, it puts you on a list you don't want to be on. However, my favorite thing about being a part of this team is drinking together at the Christmas party. When are we doing that again?"*



**Margie McLellan** - Editor/Writer/Crossword Puzzle/  
Word Search/Therapist

*"When I was approached to help put a new magazine together for our beloved island, I readily agreed. It's been a lot of hard work, stress, craziness, but most of all FUN! I'm so proud to be a part of this adventure and look forward to continuing to supply Tybee Island with a great read every month."*



**Hollie Sessoms** - Reflections

*"Writing for the Tybee Beachcomber has been so awesome! I love having the opportunity to get all the randomness of my chaotic thoughts out there into the world and I feel so honored to have my articles featured in such a beautiful magazine with such talented writers."*



**Mike Manitta** - Food Spy/Go Local Music Profile/  
Concert Calendar/Advertising & Sales

*"I cannot believe it has been over a year since I butted my way into this magazine. A couple of suggestions and several gallons of booze later, and here I am a writer. It's been a crazy ride. It's also been one of the most fun, most stressful, most fulfilling things I have ever tackled."*



**Nell Klein** - Book Review

*"When asked to do the book review, I said 'I'm a reader, not a writer!' Well, a year later, with many encouraging words from our readers, I feel a lot more comfortable with my writing. Also, I have read books that I would normally not have read and enjoyed myself thoroughly."*



**Nick Shreves** - The Fish Whisperer

*"I was honored to be asked to write for the Beachcomber. This opportunity has allowed me to expand people's love of fishing and keep them informed as well! Keep reading and above all keep fishing!"*



**Patrick Sauers** - Sports Bookie

*"My life has drastically improved since writing for the Beachcomber. How you may ask? I haven't heard a single Nickelback song since joining the team."*



**Wen McNally** - Photographer

*"What a fun year it's been shooting pictures for The Beachcomber! I have made some great new friends and especially love my Food Spy dates with Fuzzy!"*



**Chuck Bolen** - The American Legion

*"American Legion Post 154 is proud to be a part of the Beachcomber team! This beautiful publication highlights our articles and supports the efforts of veterans and the American Legion. Our Tybee Beachcomber is a class act and we appreciate you!!"*

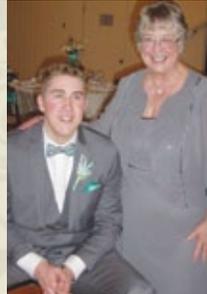
# RY BEACHCOMBER!

The Beachcomber team is ready for 2016! Feel free to accost any of them on the street with any ideas or pictures you may have! Also, feel free to email me. Let me know what is going on Tybee! If you have an event let us know! We are here for island fun and entertaining. Become a part of it!



**Joey Goralczyk - Taxi Tales**

*"When Alaina asked me if I could write an article for her new magazine, I was flattered. A year later, I can't believe the feedback I get. It's been really fun and I love it. Chronicling the crazy crap I have seen turned out to be an awesome idea. So hey, keep reading and keep up the Taxi shenanigans, I'll keep writing about them (anonymous, of course...)"*



**Janine Manning aka Mom - Life's A Beach Events/ Ongoing Happenings**

*"How could I not write for TYB Beachcomber? I'm the publisher's mom! It has been fun, challenging, and teaches this old dog new tricks. If there is an event you want me to know about, please email me [events@tybeebeachcomber.com](mailto:events@tybeebeachcomber.com)."*



**Ron Goralczyk - Taxi Tales**

*"When we were asked to write for the Beachcomber I was totally stoked. Trying to out-do Joey every other month is a very real competition for me. I never thought I would have this much fun writing, as I have never done it before. Now I can't wait till the new issue comes out every month and I love to hear the laughter that we bring to our readers. You guys enjoy this month and I'll see you in the year to come!"*



**Woody Hemphill - From the River's End**

*"To be asked to contribute to the Tybee Beachcomber has had a very profound impact on my life over the past year. The process of creating, of putting something derived from deep within 'out there' to the masses has been a wild experience."*



**Micheal Elliot - Writer**

*"Captivating award winning author and nationally acclaimed speaker who is managing to remain a beach bum at heart."*



**Joy Davis - Surfer Girl**

*"Moved to Savannah in 2011. Quickly came to Tybee and found surfing was heaven. I surround myself with peace and positive people. My power animal has always been a seagull. Adventure and excitement is always on the rise. And when I get with my friends, I say What's up you guys?!"*



**Brenda Marion & Chantel Morton - Main Street Musings**

*"We were excited to be included in Tybee's newest monthly publication and have the opportunity to inform the public about our programs."*



**Hilary Junewitz - Combing the Beach with Hilary**

*"How do I sum up my 2015 in retrospect in so few words? As far as the Beachcomber is concerned, thank you to everyone that has assisted me along the way, I do appreciate you! Here's to a healthy and happy year!"*



**Betsey Jenkins - Social Media**

*"I call Tybee Island my 'heaven on earth' and I am thrilled to let others know what is going on around the island! Thanks Beachcomber for letting me share my love of being social! Like us on Facebook!"*



**Polly Cooper - Writer**

*"As I am probably the oldest writing contributor to this magazine, I write about Tybee's history - so rich and memorable!"*



## A DAD'S VALENTINE GIFT TO HIS FAMILY

By Denny Key

- **Appreciate the benefit a Wife brings to your life.** She will give good advice on fashion...no blue or green worn together (Mom does not want a shabby Dad). She is your financial counselor; no woman wants her husband taken advantage of in a business deal. She has your back in a crisis...she is your best friend.
- **Love your children's mother.** This is your greatest gift to them. They will have a solid foundation if Dad loves Mom. They know their place in the family hierarchy. They know that "divide and conquer" is not an option.
- **Mention your wife early in any conversation with other women.** Women will be more at ease around you, more open with you, and if it matters, you will be sexier in their eyes. Positive comments about your wife give single women hope they might find a man like you.
- **Having a place in your home where children are not allowed is a gift to Mom and kids.** Children cannot interrupt Mom and Dad when that "off limits" door is closed. Your wife will appreciate the quiet time. After a nap, she will give you full attention...and the children will know they're part of the family dynamic. That's a good thing.
- **Be the spiritual leader of the family.** Whether it's sharing sunrises and sunsets, crashing waves, or religion, your family needs to see Dad acknowledging a greater power. Shedding tears does not hurt either.
- **Allow your wife the gift of free expression.** Not only is she your best friend and the mother of your children, but she has an inventive mind. There are exciting ideas and wondrous thoughts racing through her head. If she feels free to conjure delightful scenarios, you'll be the lucky man.
- **When she makes a mistake, forgive her.** The marriage vow says "for better or worse." You agreed to it. In that regard, never punish your family for telling the truth. If you do, they will lie to you. Be a man...take responsibility for the well-being of your family.
- **It's not about you.** Your success as a husband and father will be determined at a later time.



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# Reflections

LOVE IS ALL WE NEED

By Hollie Sessoms

## LOVE IS IN THE AIR THIS MONTH.

Just stop by any drug store and see the evidence right before your eyes: heart-shaped boxes of chocolates, pop-up cards, giant Hershey Kisses (always my favorite when I was a kid). All that red and pink and cupids with arrows is supposed to put us in the mood for love, or mass consumerism, I always forget which one.

Sometimes I dislike it—the maudlin cards, the stuffed animals holding hearts, the pink... holy hell is there a lot of pink. But sometimes I don't. I like the idea of someone thinking about me, wondering what I would like, purchasing it, and then hiding it until the morning of the fourteenth (or else going out after work on the afternoon of the fourteenth and grabbing something from CVS as Husband is wont to do). Still, I like the idea of being in someone's thoughts.

But I think Valentine's Day can be dangerous. By elevating romantic love to such lofty heights it has the possibility to lessen the importance of other types of love.

This V-day, love someone you don't want to smooch, love someone just because they're a fellow human being living on this crazy planet with you, because sometimes love is all we have holding our fragile little lives together. Love someone for absolutely no reason at all. But love someone. Love them harder on the fourteenth. Make it a point to love.

If loving someone is too scary, then just connect with another person. We all crave connection, especially in this electronic age when we are mostly connected by bits and blips on a screen.

We need love. We need it like we need food and air to breathe. We were wired for love and kindness. We just forget it because sometimes we have to work for love, sometimes we have to reach for love. It's not always available and accessible like anger and jealousy. But it's always worth it. Love is always worth the extra work.

Work a little harder this February fourteenth. Reach a little longer.

Or just go to the drug store and have fun watching all the super awkward men trying to decide which fluffy heart-holding teddy bear their significant other will like best.

**Happy Valentine's Day!**

# COMBINING THE BEACH WITH HILARY

By Hilary Junewicz



Right now I'm wrapping my head around the fact that a year ago I sat down to do "Combing the Beach" for the first time. So much has happened in the last year! I grew up and have lived in other places, but I must say that I have never felt so connected to my community as I do here. We all touch each other's lives here, don't we? The *Beachcomber* has been so beneficial to me in that I have met new people, reconnected with others and made new friends! Happy one year anniversary, Tybee Beachcomber!

**1** Let's start looking at pictures! Here's a guy I met through friends of the Beachcomber actually. **Neil** was hanging out "pre-gaming" on the holiday festive front porch on New Year's Eve. I never got to see him again that night, but I hope he had a great evening. Let's do all that again next year!

**2** **Alaina** caught this great photo (with somebody else's camera) of **Danny** outside Tybee Time during the annual *Polar Plunge* on New Year's Day! I'm impressed Alaina, and happy belated New Year to Danny!

**3** Oh! Here's another one **Alaina** took for me. It figures she was lucky enough to catch two of the big players, **Sty** and **Chrissy** at *Spanky's* together while I was slaving away at work on New Year's Day. Thank you so much for your help, Alaina.

**4** A classic crew gathered together at the *Wind Rose*: **Joey**, **Alicia**, **Paul** and **Bobby**. Who knows what happened that night?? I'm sure it was over-the-top fun.

**5** **Steve** and **Dar** are such a genuine, nice couple. And hey, this picture outside *Nicky's* turned out pretty good!

**6** I recently attended the Inauguration Ceremony for the *City of Island*: Mayor Elect, **Jason Buelterman** and Council Elect **Barry Brown**, **Wanda Doyle** and **Julie Livingston**. Congrats to all! Look how cute these members of the *Tybee Island Youth Council* are!

**7** Now I don't know our Mayor, **Jason**, personally, but he sure seems like someone I'd like to know. I see him on the beach, I see him on the bike path with his kids, and I saw him the night of his re-elect inauguration. He was surrounded by his family, including his father (from Ohio, like me) and what touched me was the devotion that he poured out in thanking his wife for standing by him in all he does. What a man! Turns out we're all lucky to have him.

**8** I caught "G" in a little more relaxed atmosphere. He looks good just posing on a break from *Huc A Poo's* outside *Tybean*.

**9** **April** was inside *Tybean* working. It was nice to catch up with her in between customers (I know the customer always comes first) and take her picture. Although I don't drink coffee, I may start hanging out at Tybean more often. It's warm and cozy and they have all kinds of little knick knacks for sale in there as well. And that wall of **LeeAnn Ritchie** photography! Damn, ladies, check that out! Good job, April, I'd definitely lose concentration being on the clock there.

**10** I also strolled into *Latitude 32* during an afternoon spent at *Tybee Oaks*. If you don't know, Tybee Oaks is a little shopping district located on the North end of Highway 80. This is co-owner of Latitude 32, **Jen**. Latitude 32 offers quality clothing and apparel.

**11** Hey everybody, *Salon Isobe* has moved to **1013 US Highway 80!!** They are directly across the street from *Tybee Vacation Rentals*. **Judy** comes in once a week to see stylist, **Andrea** and read the *Beachcomber*!



**12** I'm embarrassed but must admit I had never been to the **Tybee Visitor Center** until just recently. What a great stop! **Liz** was extraordinarily friendly and shared so much information! They distribute a vacation planner once a year. And each month the **Art Cottage** provides the Tybee Visitor Center with an artist of the month. January's artist was **Benjamin F. Turner Jr.**, whose art reflects images of areas such as **Tybee, St. Simons** and **Savannah tidal marshes**. Stop in and chat with Liz!

**13** Remember I said earlier how my role with the **Beachcomber** has allowed me to reconnect with old friends on Tybee? How cool is it that I walk into **City Hall** and grab a quick pic of **Karen** (without disturbing her daily duties, of course). Thanks again, Karen! Always good to see you!

**14** Need a bike while on Tybee? Trust me, a bike is the way to get around this island (if you don't "lose" yours like I do all the time)! Go see **Jason** at **Fat Tire Bikes!** He's been taking care of my family's closet full of bikes for years, and I trust he still has that old Specialized tucked away in storage somewhere. They offer bicycle rentals, sales and repairs. Thanks for all your support, Jason.

**15** Go see the adorable **Chris** and **Sean** at **Wet Willie's**. Thanks for the picture, guys. Sean must be one of the hardest working men on this island. He wasn't even on the clock and made this shot happen for me. Take a break, Sean!

**16** You should also go see **Edith** at **Dizzy Dean's**. I have never met a more friendly and knowledgeable liquor store clerk. If I need a bottle of wine, she knows it. If I need a quick single liquor store drink, she helps me make it happen. If it's too hot outside, go ahead and chill out in the beer cooler for a few (minutes, that is).

**17** Say hello to **Johnny** and **Jimmy** at the **Rock House** everybody. I promise you these two will get you what you need and smile about it, ASAP.

**18** **Leah** works at **Social Club** and seems like the perfect fit! Look how good she looks behind that bar! Thanks for that round!

**19** Speaking of **Social Club**, I feel so blessed that I got to walk just down the street and see some amazing music performed by my friends: **Brandon, Aaron, Rhett** and **Malcomn**. For a quick reunion stop by **Jellyfish Deconstruction!**

**20** I was so happy to have some "old school" music quality time with **Rachel**; it made me happy to take her picture! That was a good, good night, Hey, Rach!

**21** It was a pleasant surprise to meet up with **JoAnn** and **Bob** after their 1,200 mile journey to the **Quarter**. What a lovely conversation we had, nice to officially meet you!

**22** **Daniel** and **Emily!** So nice to run into ya'll as well. Thank you for the directions to South Carolina, avoiding all bridges (during a hurricane!). I'll take the long way home! Never forget!

**23** Now it goes a little something like this, I gotta go back, way back; **Mike, "baby" Mike, Noah**, whatever his name is, he's cool. He's a respectable young fellow, easy on the eyes and a darn good worker. My man, go see him at **Wet Willie's!** Sorry it took me so long to get you in here!

**24** If you live here, you already know what the hot spot **Jen's Sand Bar** is. But, if you don't know about the dance party **D.J. Edwin** spins there on Saturday nights, forget about it! Slammin! That is a damn good time, bring it Edwin! What?!

**25** In closing, if it weren't for **Beachcomber**, this awesome, yet virgin, reunion would've never happened. It's amazing how many birds of a feather flock together here; **O.U.**, Oh, yeah! **Emily, Kara, Sarah, Jesse, Andy, Hilary** and **Scott**.

That's right! That's what Tybee is about! See ya'll next month!

# THE Fish Whisperer



Captain  
Nick Shreves

## February Fishing Forecast

### INSHORE

Inshore fishing has been a tough game with the warmer than average start of this winter, but it seems as if everything is starting to catch up. The water temperatures are starting to fall into place and the fish are finding their patterns. Sheepshead are still around munching on Fiddler Crabs, Barnacles and Oysters. These fish love to be around structures; if its low tide you will see the white marks from them feeding along the pilings. Pay attention to this and you will find the bigger schools. Speckled Sea Trout are hanging out in the deeper holes waiting for food to come to them. The Red Drum can be found in the shallow mud flats sunning themselves on those warm afternoons. I prefer to use artificials for both species this time of year. Gulp baits are my go to baits. Red jig heads and white and gray color baits have always worked for me.

### NEAR SHORE

The Black Sea Bass have begun to get bigger due to the late start and warmer than average water. These fish are easy to target and catch. I use a single drop rig with a 5/0 circle hook with Squid. Once they start to feed, you will have your limit of 5 fish before you know it. Sheepsheads have moved out to the reefs and are

ready to eat every Fiddler Crab you offer them. I recommend you catching your Black Sea Bass first so you don't lose too many crabs to them. For Sheepshead use a rod with a fast action tip so you can see their light bite. A Carolina style rig with an ultra sharp live bait hook gives you the best chance at putting these bait stealers in the fish box.



### OFF SHORE

Offshore fishing has remained really good for those willing to make the run out deep. All you have to do is to wait for a day with nice weather and go; the fish are hungry. Triggerfish, Red Porgies, Vermilion Snapper and lots of grunts are all feeding heavy. Squid and Boston Mackerel are great baits for all these fish. Amberjack and Barracuda can be found near the towers and are best caught on live bait jigs or trolling large lures. Then for those with the gear, high speed trolling is producing plenty of Wahoo as well. These fish can be found along the big temperature breaks found near the stream. Check out your sea surface charts and watch your temp readings and you have a great chance at catching one of the fastest fish in the ocean. **To join me on a fishing trip call me at Big Fish Charters (912) 230-4625.**





Holding up to the 2016 surf trip resolution, we packed up with all the fixins, one big dog, two stoked sisters, surf essentials and all the blankets that we own. Our destination was Folly Beach for a close but strange, new wave. Many of us are familiar with the trip up to Charleston, straight and steady wins the race. Add in a little transmission slip every once in a while, just to keep things exciting...energy buzzing with all of the potential.

It's a big rig beating highway, speed, break, speed, break, you are sure to lose without cruise control...speed guns up and down the highway hunting for lead-footed civilians. Traversed over a couple bridges and boom, there. Sister Mary Clarence (the big sweet dog) got to run on the beach for the second time in her life! That was an awesome experience for her, we can all relate to that feeling of overwhelming joy when our toes hit the sand.

Waves looked like they were putting us on hold in our desperate quest for swell, which meant breakfast! Thank you little breakfast place on Folly, we appreciate the service and surf sustenance. Feels like we're livin the barrier island life...hmmmm...where's that bumper sticker...?

Now uncomfortably full, we headed out again to scout the waves...this time the bitter cold trumps the weak swell. There was an agreeable, "yeah...I'm good on that" exchanged and we decided to keep an eye out and wait. This was great news for sis, headed out for round three in the sand...able to scoop her turds up with a pearly white oyster shell, a noble act of balance and resourcefulness.

The tide was going out, challenging the wave height and the current was ripping south with swift strength. The conditions that were predicted for The Washout (the wave break we were at) on this particular day were North winds (offshore), a great attribute to a fun surf session! More face time, longer rides! 3-5 ft. waves and some balmy 20 mph wind at a tempting 55 degrees fahrenheit. The forecast was right on with the wind, shaping the waves and making them break slow. And when the swell slowly started to reveal its potential - time to suit up! Water had to be in its mid 50's temp wise and brought about the illusion of needles and pins piercing into tight skin, not including the torrential winds.

The session lasted less than an hour. Not too much catching was being had...more pitching. These lame circumstances always bring home the reason why it's better to bring the homies along for the adventure, your buddies, the people that are able to fill any condition with fun times. Peeling wetsuits off, hard to do with frozen dexterity,

jumping in our backseat nest of blankets and proceeding to thaw out. That break was The Washout, waves always break left and that day, slow, cold and illusive.

This could have been the turning point where home was the next step, but we weren't quite exhausted yet and it just doesn't feel like a surf trip if your arms don't feel like they are going to fall off your body while driving home. So we checked on the pier, checking, jumping jacks, checking, right side, left side checking, checking... Only a few shivering souls out, booted, gloved and hooded.

Finally, out of the grey, on the right side of the pier, rides started to form. Long lefts bubbling, giving us nice speedy rides and maybe some prancing time when we put trust in our frozen feet. The swell had arrived and was building. Some sets rolling in around nipple high. The indecisive elements were never able to come to an agreeable state. Floating in this shifty temperament, added to the experience of the water, was overall fantastic. It was righteous to be immersed in the play and conversation of the wind and the water and the swell. We were able to catch some great long board rides.

After a couple of those gifts to our trip, us caravaners were mighty satisfied and awarded ourselves with a two hour trip back home. Southbound, lead bodies, fulfilled and ready for next time. Not a bad way to keep the surf spirits flying high!



# TAXITALES

By Ron Goralczyk



I give a lot of thought to what story I will be writing for Taxi Tales. After almost four years of being "Tybee's Designated Driver," I have seen some extremely funny things. When I have a theme I am contemplating writing about and a similar story falls into my lap that night, I take that as a good sign and go with it.

As you know, when you call Breezy we may show up with other people in the car. They will be going to same place, or at least the same direction as you. What you may not know is that a lot of thought goes into "can these people ride in the same cab together?" If you have never had a Breezy ride with someone you don't particularly care for, You are Welcome. Trust me. That shit just doesn't just work itself out.

I remember one night I was taking two off-duty Breezy drivers from the South end to a place they could get food until 2:45 am. I was also picking up a lady that a lot of locals know as Mama K. What could go wrong? Well... my off duty drivers were extremely "Dougged" up and left their good manners elsewhere. The rude, crude language was unacceptable with Mama K in the cab. I told the boys to please clean up their language, to no avail. I dropped them off first and immediately made my apologies to Mama K. She knew both of them well and wasn't upset at all. What is that saying we have...oh yeah...Alcohol Was A Factor.

Recently Breezy has been working on Wilmington, bringing the same concept as we have on Tybee. We know a good many people over there, but most faces are new. I was called by one of the bars, and as I pulled up, a younger couple was standing outside. I asked if they had called Breezy and they replied that they were waiting for Uber. I called the bartender to let her know I was there and she said my customer would be right out. While waiting, the couple asked how much I would charge to get them home. After quoting my rate, the couple was more than happy to ride along as I took my original fare home. The young man called shotgun and his girlfriend sat in the back seat behind him. My customer came out of the bar, opened the door and immediately said, "Well, Hello Beautiful! I sure hope you are coming home with me!" This guy looked to be in his 70's, however his libido was still in its teens. I was thinking about the movie *Indecent Proposal* and actually made a reference to it. The man was too old to know the movie and the couple was too young to have seen it, but that is what I was dealing with. The ride to "Mr. Redford's" house was about eight minutes. Once we arrived, the offer still stood, \$200 for one hour, at which the young guy told him it would be best if he just walked away. After he got out of the car, the young lady told us that the old man was trying to hold her hand and touch her. She was not pleased. I told her boyfriend that he should ride in the back with her next time, to which she replied, "NO. No...I will ride shotgun next time!"

Now I love mixing locals with tourists. When these situations go wrong, 90% of the time it is the tourist's fault. I had to pick up one local and one tourist, both near the Post Office. I picked up my local first and he was riding

shotgun. I pulled up to the restaurant for the tourist. She walked up to the cab, looked in and snarled, "Oh. Are we sharing this cab?" as if she was entitled to have the cab to herself. I explained that Breezy picks up people going in the same direction. "You are both going to the South end, so please get in." She got in but she was neither happy nor friendly. What I mean by this is that she was bitchy. Minutes later, we arrived at the South end, and she got out at Tybrisa and Butler, then exclaimed, "Oh, I meant to drop my food off at the condo! I forgot!" She asked if I could take her food back to her condo. She said she would tip me well if I would. I told her, "Sure, no problem!" She asked what her cab fare was, and I told her \$3. She handed me \$3. No tip. Guess what happened to her food? I ATE IT! It was delicious. It was a piece of steak, cooked to perfection, really good grilled potatoes and veggies. For dessert, a mint chocolate piece of cake. Did I feel bad about it? No. Definitely not.



# Breezy

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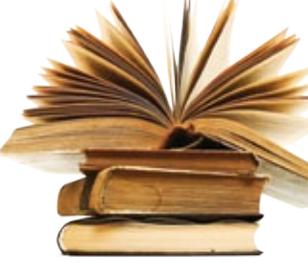
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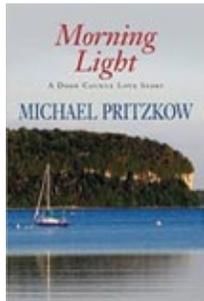
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# BOOK REVIEW

By Nell Klein



## *Morning Light* A Door County Love Story

By Michael Pritzkow

When asked to read **Morning Light** (a love story), I thought it would be a good review for February (the month for lovers). Well, the first half of the book was more of a “lust story,” but the second half turned it all around and made it a really good read.

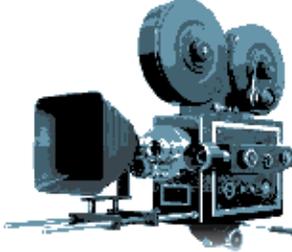
The book starts with four main characters, as teenagers working summer jobs before heading to college. Annie, Rita and Dennis are from working class backgrounds and Peter is from a wealthy family. Peter falls in love with Annie, but she’s afraid she won’t fit in with his wealthy family and friends. Rita falls in love with Dennis, but he’s too much of a playboy for it to last. The entire first half of the book involves their young feelings (mostly sexual thoughts) and how they handle “coming of age.” At summer’s end, they all go away to different colleges but vow to stay in touch.

The second half begins many years later. They all have become successful in their own careers and eventually marry different partners (except Dennis, the ultimate playboy) and they still stay in touch with each other over the years. Gradually things happen to each person which brings them all back together in Door County for a romantic ending that is totally believable and worth the wait. Don’t read without a box of tissues handy!

The story takes place in picturesque Door County, Wisconsin. I’m not familiar with the area but my son-in-law is from that area, so it made it more personal for me. I also met the author, **Michael Pritzkow**, a charming man from the area, who is writing his second novel, a mystery. He is hoping to relocate to Tybee so hopefully he’ll write a book that takes place in our area. We have asked him to do a book signing that will be held at the **Wind Rose** on **Saturday, February 13, at 5pm**. Come meet the writer and talk about the book, publishing and writing information!

I give this book 3 roses because it is a lovely story, and 2 dandelions because the first half of the book’s obsession with adolescent sexual thoughts and activities was a bit much for my taste. But, all in all, it was a really good read that is perfect for February!

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



# MOVIE REVIEW

By Alaina Loughridge

## A Tribute to Alan Rickman

I was devastated to learn of the passing of one of my favorite actors, Alan Rickman. He was so versatile and his ability to become the character was just flawless. Here is my ode to two of my favorite movies that he made magic:



### **Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves**

Alan played the devious Sheriff of Nottingham, intent on taking over the kingdom while King Richard was gallivanting abroad during the Third Crusade. He was absolutely brilliant. He made the Sheriff almost likeable; funny for sure. Most famous line: “That’s it then! Cancel the kitchen scraps for lepers and orphans; no more merciful beheadings; and call off Christmas!” He also wanted to cut out Robin’s heart with a spoon because “it’s dull you twit and it will hurt more.” Loved every scene he was in, whether it be picking his teeth while awaiting battle along side the Celts, or admiring his own statue. Too bad Robin Hood got in the way of the Sheriff’s plan!

I give this portrayal 5 bottles of Tito’s (because I love Tito’s and I loved the Sheriff of Nottingham).



### **Love, Actually**

As a supporting character, Alan still gave it everything he had. If you have not seen this movie, it is one of my top three of all time! Romantic comedy with all sorts of actors you know. Brilliant, touching, laugh out loud and cry in your Ben & Jerry’s simultaneously.

Chick flick for sure, but every time it comes on I will drop everything to watch it. It has a serious cast, all in love or out of love with one or the other. The stories are all separate, but are still intertwined. Again, be prepared to sob and laugh like a child at the end.

I give this entire movie 5 bottles of 2007 Domaine De La Romanee-Conti Richebourg (because it’s that damn good).

Alan Rickman was huge in the theater, but we will always remember him for his mainstream, including the above and **Die Hard** (Hans Gruber), **Harry Potter** (Professor Snape) and so many others. His death makes me want to cancel Christmas.



By Mike Manitta - Photos by Wen McNally

## MACELWEE'S SEAFOOD HOUSE

One of the best parts about writing for the Food Spy is that I get to run around and sample all of the eclectic cuisine that Tybee has to offer, and it's a great opportunity to reintroduce some of Tybee's staple eateries that may have escaped your radar. For no good reason besides being a creature of habit and living on the South end, I have to say I hadn't been to MacElwee's in a second. This is also a good time to squash the rumor mill about whether they are closing down or the restaurant is up for sale. I can assure you that MacElwee's is still going strong and serving up some delicious meals as it has for the past three plus decades.

Since 1982 **MacElwee's** has been serving up delicious local favorites and specials in a relaxed family atmosphere. Burgers, Steaks, Chicken, Pork Chops, Pasta and of course, an ample selection of seafood and daily specials are all found on the menu, offering something for everyone. Wen and I were totally spoiled and lucky enough to sample several of their signature dishes. We feasted on Crab Soup, Buffalo Oysters, Low Country Stir Fry, Cajun Tortellini, Lynn's Favorite and a Fried MacElwee Platter, as well as Deep Fried Strawberries and homemade Key Lime Pie. Way too much food for two people but what can I say, we take this job seriously and someone has to do it.

We started with the **Crab Soup and Buffalo Oysters**. The Crab Soup was served up piping hot, rich and creamy, with chunks of crab meat and onions and red pepper, perfect for the cool weather lately, warms you right up from the inside. The Buffalo Oysters were also a great start, plump, juicy select oysters, fried to perfection, tossed in buffalo sauce and served with Ranch and Bleu Cheese. Not overcooked at all, they were crispy outside and tender and juicy inside with just the right amount of heat.

Next, the entrees started pouring in. The **Low Country Stir Fry** arrived and I have to say what an interesting dish. Unlike anything I've seen locally, Red Rice with fresh Collard Greens draped over and topped with Shrimp and Sausage cooked in Cajun seasonings. What a unique way to get all of your low country favorites combined in one dish. I'm not a huge fan of Cajun food because I'm not real big on spicy foods, but I have to say it was not too spicy and I really enjoyed the combination of flavors.

**Cajun Tortellini** was the next to land on the table and what a scrumptious sight. Shrimp and Scallops cooked with mushrooms and scallions in a Cajun crême sauce, tossed with tri-colored cheese tortellini, served with salad or slaw and garlic bread. Super delicious, the shrimp and scallops were cooked perfectly and the flavors merged with delight. You really can't beat crême sauce, cheese and seafood, again not overbearing with the Cajun spice, just enough to give it a great flavor combined with the crême sauce. Very satisfying on a cool winter's evening.

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Next we sampled **Lynn's Favorite**, lightly blackened Tilapia served over angel hair pasta, drizzled with herb crême sauce surrounded by broccoli, snow peas and red peppers. What a healthy selection, the Tilapia was super moist with just the right amount of blackened seasoning and was complimented perfectly with the herb crême sauce, pasta and fresh veggies. Angel Hair pasta is a perfect partner paired up with fish, nice and light, really, really tasty.

Finally, who doesn't like a fried seafood platter. The **Fried MacElwee Platter** has all of your favorites, generous portions of fried shrimp, oysters, flounder, scallops and homemade deviled crab. Sometimes you just have to go for it. Super fresh, lightly breaded and fried to perfection, a meal fit for a king. The deviled crab was scrumptious and is offered up as an entrée on its own if you don't get enough here. The fried seafood selections are offered as a light or regular portion which is always a nice option.

Bellies full and happy, we still had to sample some of the signature desserts. **Deep Fried Strawberries**, what can I say, battered and deep fried, rolled in cinnamon and sugar, served with whipped cream. The flavors are perfect together, generous enough to share after a big meal. We also shared the homemade **Key lime Pie**, richly sweet and tart, one of the signature flavors of the south, and a perfect ending to a fantastic meal.

So, a big Thanks to Lynn and her staff for making us feel so welcome and making our bellies so happy. I already can't wait for my next visit. MacElwee's is located at the corner of Hwy 80 and Lovell Ave and their Winter Hours are as follows; opened for dinner Tues-Sun from 4-?, and open for lunch at noon on Saturdays til 9pm. It's time to revisit an old favorite, you won't be disappointed.



# Bartender of the MONTH

By Alaina Loughridge

Yep. I am doing it. I am Bartender of the Month. Why not?!! I am **Alaina Loughridge** and I am the most sarcastic person ever! You better bring your A game if you are going to party with me at the *Wind Rose*. Ask any local and they will tell you to be careful. Although, in my own defense, I am quick and you ain't gonna wait for long for anything (unless you shake your ice at me and point to your cup and then you can just die of dehydration.)



Born and raised in Oregon, I travelled around after school and pretty much partied my face off. Deciding to become an adult, I found myself back in Oregon in the mid 90's. I worked as a paralegal, a project manager for an engineer, an assistant to a general contractor, owner of a paint store, and then found myself married to a full fledged idiot. I couldn't stand the thought of being that wife with the two kids and the white picket fence. Ugh. I fled as far as I could. I ended up in Savannah working at One Eyed Lizzy's on River Street. It was my first introduction into the food and beverage industry and yes I totally lied on my application.

Still contemplating my inner WTF Am I Doing with My Life, I got certified to teach English abroad and moved to Slovakia. Um, no. That lasted for about three months before I hightailed it back to double bacon western cheeseburgers with onion rings and bbq sauce, dryers, and my big old American truck. I landed on Tybee on my return trip home and the rest is cosmic history. I got a job at Spanky's and then Bernie's. Let the good times roll! I have wandered to and fro and have finally ended up at the Wind Rose where I can do and say whatever I want when Nell and Mark aren't looking (even sometimes when they are.)

Of course I had to ask myself the three most basic **Questions of Life** (which have changed since the last time I asked myself):

**Tybee Life: 10 years**

**My Passion: Writing and the Beachcomber**

**When I grow up: There is still so much to do!!**

My go to drink is called "*The Liver Went Bad*," and it involves a bunch of liquor I only occasionally remember every time I make it. It varies from drink to drink, but you will be so happy. I have the basics down, so who cares? It's pink. You will be fine. Ha Ha!

Stop by the Wind Rose and get mentally and physically wrecked. I offer a twofer of one drink for one punch to your liver. It is a lot of fun and you are guaranteed to come back the next day looking for your phone, car keys and your liver. Don't forget **Drunk Bitch Wednesdays** at 4 pm! See you soon!



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# DANCING TO THE MUSIC OH, HOW THAT OLD PAVILION ROCKED!

by Polly Wylly Cooper Co-author of *Tybee Days* and *Sand Between our Toes*

In the 1920s, big bands out of New York and California found Tybee—the little island with the big heart. Local promoter Willie Haar, kingpin of amusement and entertainment at the beach, brought in such famous bands as *Blue Steele*, *Ishom Jones*, *Ted Weems*, *Guy Lombardo*, *Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey*, and a popular black band led by *Jimmy Lunsford*. In later years *Cab Calloway* and *Bob Crosby* entertained as did *Ella Fitzgerald*.

Most big names played one or two nights before striking out for other cities, but entertainment promoter Buster White said the bands preferred to begin their trips south at Tybee.

Blue Steele had a member named Sonny Clapp, whose song, **Girl of My Dreams**, was written and performed for the first time at Tybee. Ted Weems had a whistler in his band named Elmo Tanner, whose repertoire included whistling a song titled **Heartaches**.

Willie Haar brought in George Hall and a female singer named Dolly Dolan and the Dawn Patrol. Bandleader Tommy Tucker ended up marrying a Savannah girl, Inez Tuttle. Nicknamed Sophie, she later became the famous Sophie Tucker.

Bergen McCarroll and his wife Annette did a fast foxtrot. When Allen Crawford asked the band to play a waltz, Mose Portman and his future wife, Minnie, glided around the floor while others watched, mesmerized by their graceful movements.

A point of pride for Buster White was the Depression dances he started at the Tybrisa Pavilion. Another was the Bird Cage, a dance he introduced to Tybee, when “*the fellow put his finger on top of his partner’s head and she’d spin ‘round and ‘round.*”

Dr. Julius “Boo” Hornstein and his pals went to the card dances on the pavilion. They signed cards the girls carried. It was said that if a girl didn’t have her card filled by the time she reached the top step, she risked being a wallflower. Oh my goodness!

On Tuesday evenings, the Solms Hotel sponsored college tag dances. Intermission drew crowds to the soda fountain where “cocolas” were the drink of the evening. In the ‘30s and ‘40s the hotels near the pavilions also highlighted dance bands.

Tybee continued to be a musical mecca, even through the ‘60s with its own homegrown band, the Islanders. This popular group played at Fort Screven American Legion Hall, debutante parties and City Hall.



Whitey Kaufman and his Original Pennsylvania Serenaders were well-known for playing *Paddlin’ Madelene Home*, *Deep River Blues* and others. The old Tybrisa Pavilion is in the distance.

Band members, all youngsters from the island, were: Joe Buckley (piano), Parker Page (singer), David Carson (guitar), Sam Adams (drums), Johnny Hosti (guitar), Steve Roberts (bass), Chuck Leggett (trombone), Jimmy Godbee (trumpet) Pete Toglio (sax), and Henry Minis (manager and girlfriend sitter). Their theme song was **Green Onions** by Booker T and the MGs. They hauled the heavy piano to gigs in the back of Mallie Clark’s ice truck, determined not to let their fans down.



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# Main Street MUSINGS

*Tybee for the Holidays* wrapped up January 1 with a plethora of plungers—hundreds of people braved the rain and (slight) chill to kick-off the new year by taking part in the annual **Tybee Polar Plunge** by enjoying the refreshing ocean breezes and natural healing powers of the salt from the ocean, all to benefit the Tybee Post Theater! One spectator wryly observed, “I guess if you start your year off by barely avoiding hypothermia, the rest of the year should seem easy by comparison.”

We want to express our appreciation again to the merchants that participated as a *Community of Caring* drop off location and to all of you that donated items for the Rising TYde Community Food Pantry, animal shelters, and Memorial University Medical Center’s Children Hospital. Three huge deliveries to each were done between Thanksgiving and New Year’s Day, once again showing how generous our island businesses, residents, and visitors are.

As we all continue to show our love for Tybee, we would be remiss not to mention Valentine’s Day. This year, this recognized day for Cupids falls on a 3-day



weekend (at least for Chatham County students), so make plans early to ensure your reservations for dinner at one of Tybee’s fabulous restaurants or for a night out on the town. Plus, be sure to avail yourself of one of the island’s many cab and golf cart shuttles to ensure you arrive home safely.

Springtime will be here before we know it and we are revamping the Program’s **Third Thursdays on Tybee** outdoor musical program, so stay tuned for the announcement which will hopefully occur in April. Rest assured it will be pedestrian, bike, and pet-friendly, while being fun for the whole family! Have an idea for a program? Send us an email with your ideas for consideration. In the meantime, make sure you are prepping for annual Tybee traditions such as the Irish Heritage Celebration, Beach Bum, Movies in the Park, etc.

As for Development Authority/Main Street (Program) activities, remember the BASF commercial where they say something like, ‘we don’t make the product, we make the product better?’ Main Street is kind of like that, always working behind the scenes to make Tybee a better place to live, work, and visit with community

partners! The Program serves as a “hub” on behalf of the City of Tybee Island by taking a balanced approach to economic development within the context of historic preservation that specifically contributes to the overall quality of life and economic vitality that benefits businesses and residents, as well as visitors.

We all know that supporting the local economy is important and we are extremely fortunate to have such a diverse selection of distinctive stores, services, and dining options right here! In recognizing how important it is to buy local year-round, we continue to work with the merchants and residents by offering the **Locals Appreciation Card** to those of you with a valid driver’s license that lists your Tybee address. This card is honored at over 30 businesses and continues to be a popular commodity. If you need to renew your card for 2016 or need to obtain it for the first time, simply stop in the Development Authority/Main Street Office located in City Hall.

Feel free to contact the Development Authority/Main Street Board of Directors or staff person with suggestions and/or concerns regarding economic development/historic preservation. Your assistance in helping ensure the vision that Tybee truly is your nostalgic paradise to live, do business, and visit year round is always welcomed.

For more information about the City’s Development Authority/Main Program, upcoming city approved special events, “Door to Door News,” Business Matters, and Historic Preservation Spotlights, sign up for the monthly Main Street Talk E-Newsletter by visiting the Main Street webpage ([www.tybeelandmainstreet.com](http://www.tybeelandmainstreet.com)). The Tybee Island Main Street FB (fan) page is updated quite regularly as well with “news you can use.” We invite you to like it.

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Brenda Marion, Program Board Director/Promo Liaison and Chantel Morton, Executive Director

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## TOP 10 BAR PATRONS THAT AREN'T NECESSARILY YOUR FAVORITES

As a bartender for nearly 30 years, I have met some extraordinary and amazing people, most of whom I have had an honor in meeting and sharing some wonderful memories with.

And then there are these...

**1. The Happy-Go-Lucky:** These are the ones who start out happy, become lovable, then usually leave with a total stranger later in the evening (I wonder how lucky they really were!).

**2. The Talkies:** First Drink – Fairly quiet; Second Drink – History, sports and info seeker; Third Drink – Wants to know all about other customers at the bar; Fourth Drink – It starts going downhill and you feel as if you are talking to an alien!

**3. The Cry Baby:** We've all had this one. "Tears in their beer," "Love on the rocks," Etc. Sheesh!!

**4. The Drummer Boy:** Has to beat on the bar to every song!

**5. The Grabber:** Every time you wait on them, they want to grab your hand and keep you from your other customers (this makes me feel Germa-Phobic!).

**6. The Looky-Lous:** (These people really freak me out!) You know what I mean.

**7. The Spiller:** Always manages to knock over their beer into their neighbor's drink and cause a domino effect of spillage. After the second time this happens, you wonder if you should offer them a nipple for their bottle!

**8. The Goober:** Can't remember the name of the drink they had at a previous establishment or what it was made with, but expects you to know.

**9. The Needy:** Hell, they always need something, but really not anything. They just want your attention!

**10. The Ungrateful:** Always has a bad outlook on Life, doesn't smile, has nothing nice to say about anyone, and doesn't believe you deserve a tip... No matter how nice you treat them. My advice to them – Stop drinking, seek medical attention, and Oh Yeah, have a nice day!

**Cheers to Us!**

# Foodie Finds

## Tuscan Shrimp & Lobster Ravioli

By Nate Frisbee Jr.

### Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1 tbs. salt
- Handful of fresh chopped parsley
- 2 oz. sun dried tomatoes
- 1 pt. heavy cream
- 4 oz. fresh spinach
- 1 tbs. minced garlic
- 1 lb. fresh peeled and deveined shrimp
- 1 tsp. ground pepper
- 3 whole small mushrooms (sliced)
- 1/2 cup Chardonnay Wine
- 4 oz. cherry tomatoes, sliced in half
- 1# of 100% natural three bridge shrimp & lobster ravioli (should be 12 raviolis)



### Preparation:

Ok let's bring your magic to life!!! Get your pan nice and hot, then turn your flames down.

1. Add your olive oil, move your pan around so you can get it all over the bottom of the pan. Add your wine and start sauteing your mushrooms. Now don't you just love the smell of mushrooms and wine? Mmmmm mmmm. Now add a little pinch of salt and pepper and let cook until you see the mushrooms look nice and soft and a little brown.
2. Add your shrimp and sun dried tomatoes. Mix in well with the mushrooms for about 30 seconds and add your cherry tomatoes, minced garlic and saute altogether; then add another pinch of salt and pepper. You will start to smell the goodness working in.
3. Add your fresh spinach and heavy cream. Allow it to cook until it thickens. You may want to add salt and pepper to your taste.
4. Add your raviolis to the sauce as it thickens for about 3-4 minutes. Once the raviolis are cooked through, looking nice and fluffy (try not to overcook cause they will fall apart), lay them out on the plate. Once your sauce is thick and ready, pour over top and sprinkle some parsley and bam- bam, it is ready!

Don't forget the one most very important thing of all: And that's to put some love into it and enjoy your meal.

# BIZZ BUZZ

By Woody Hemphill

The February Bizz Buzz inductee is **River's End Campground**, located on the north end of the island at 5 Fort Avenue. This nine-acre oasis offers several amenity options, ranging from primitive tent camping to 'roughing it' with many comforts of home.

If Tybee is your permanent address, let us be your 'Guestroom by the Sea' by taking advantage of local discounts on our rental cabins! These cozy cottages sleep six and are priced for those of us who never knew how many friends and family we had until we had a house at the beach! RV camping amenities include sewer-service, 50/30 electric, cable television, potable water, and free WIFI-access. If you don't own a camper, no worries! River's End offers tent pads for your tent, charcoal grills, as well as potable water, and electricity at your campsite – or closer!

A great aspect of camping within the city limits is the close proximity for exploring this island paradise. During this 'season of love,' come take your best gal or main squeeze fishing, out for a paddle, or for a beach stroll when the coast is clear and it's all



yours since the tourists are still months away from joining you. If the in-laws are cramping your style, or your house guests are starting to resemble fish (they both stink after several days) then let us take care of Cousin Eddie & Crew!

If you're tired of giving the same ol' boring gifts throughout the year, come and browse through the best kept secret on Tybee Island – our gift shop. We offer unique and quirky merchandise ideal for locals – and those who wish they were! Also, River's End Campground is the only propane dispensary on Tybee Island, so if you're fond of your tanks, or don't trust the trade-ins, then come see us so we can 'hook you up.'

Come by and see Kim, Heather, or Tammy today! Give us a call at (912) 786-5518, or make your reservations online, at [www.riversendcampground.com](http://www.riversendcampground.com). Make your reservations up to a year in advance - and don't forget to show your Tybee ID!



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## Farewell to The Sand Man

On January 5, 2016 our beloved Sand Man aka Leonard Miller left us to build sand castles in the sky. Sand Man was a pillar of the art community: Between his murals and sand sculptures there is simply no comparison. Once again Tybee has lost another beautiful spirit. Rest in peace sweet man.

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## **ALOHA** from the Other in the Modern Era

Apparently, It's not enough to be expected to show my evolution as a man by performing housework, cooking dinner, washing dishes, folding laundry, and becoming accustomed to all sorts of domestic duties. Rather, I should also relinquish all earnings after throwing in a couple hundred bucks each year on flowers, dinner, and gifts that I usually don't have – and let's do this right side of the world. The marketing folks on Madison Avenue have deemed that every red-blooded American male must show their worth by heaping a bounty upon our significant other this month. This modern-day hunting and gathering technique has been a staple in showing others their value, but something about this societal, straight-up, strong-armed thuggery has me questioning the whole process of love after Christmas when still trying to recover from Christmas obligations... If modern men were a professional athlete in these times, we would fire our agent.

So, if we are so downtrodden with our plight and our cross so heavy a burden, then why do we do it? As others in our society have achieved upward means and mobility, they did not reach these milestones by only taking and not giving in return – and complaining about one's circumstance without a plan of action has never benefitted anyone. So, what are we to do when we find ourselves in a relationship where we are not met with some reciprocated approach? As is customary with any competent professional that understands their limitations, I chose to consult with the folks that have either done it before and did it well, or have done it before and could provide a 'relationship escape hatch' that would justify 'making the switch,' or at least 'change the paradigm' without the drama that comes with the obligatory, metaphorical 'press conference.' This is the parade of shared friends, well-wishers, and whoever those people sitting in the restaurant or in line at the grocery store are, who look upon in judgement when others' relationship has run their course. In my case, I looked to the older men in my family to set me straight on the subject.

Now in the interest of science and in appreciation of those educators long ago that strived to instill an awareness of - and strict adherence to - the scientific method and its principles, my methodology was obviously flawed. Alas, my research proved three vital truths. First, was the serious lack of adherence to the scientific method, and the second was that while consistency is not our specialty – we instead rely upon instinct, passion, and emotion to convey our love. Everything is a negotiation in my family and hence, as any negotiator knows, you start with a shared experience and then introduce a metaphor – the more hypothetical, the better. The third take-away was that objectivity is too elusive when trying to assign your place in the world in relation to one's family. This is probably why it's gross to imagine our parents making out. In fact, I'm pretty sure that this is what Einstein meant when he discovered 'relativity?' Anyway, as I deployed my skills as a freelance social scientist, I realized that as one who is comprised of Scotch-Irish-Welsh heritage, becoming a pragmatist may be about as feasible as a fish playing the trombone. Otherwise, another set of criteria presents itself that further exacerbate the situation in that we don't understand others' experience unless it involves the Irish as a threatened people, the self-assigned blame of the Scotch, or 'us' (and our Welsh 'ilk') as the self-assigned Center of the Universe. Nevertheless, for safe measure, I also sought the council of my German grandfather that commanded a National Guard Armory, and operated a warehouse for almost two generations. An interesting byproduct of this experience is that despite his retirement in the mid-90s, to this day he lists a purchase location, price, and date of purchase on every item found in his home. This phenomenon renders outsiders puzzled and family members in awe of his meticulous discipline! Yet, ladies who I introduce to my family do not become 'weak in the knees' by my family's idiosyncratic nuances, and as such – I get labeled 'different' or worse - relegated to the fabled 'friend zone.' Not even another grown man wants his daughter spending the remainder of her life with me if there is a chance that she'll spend it pricing canned goods from Bi-Lo, and telling others what we spent on light bulbs in 2012.

Inevitably, I'm now left to my own devices to figure this whole 'love' thing out, and apparently negotiate an appropriate scope of services and standards of care with my significant other. Due to the lack of scientific resources available, I decided to go straight to the source and ask my girlfriend directly about the dynamic between services rendered and payment in full... "So what are you asking for?" she asks. "Well," I think of trying to explain the number of dollars expended to maintain our lifestyle and the number of hours in a day, and prepare to recite my list of duties regularly performed just as she shrugs and says, "it beats the alternative" and walks away. Perhaps this isn't the best time to discuss the wage disparity, but for a brief moment, I understand completely why the terrorists want to kill us.

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- 2/10 **Yonder Mountain String Band** - The Music Farm - Charleston
- 2/11 **Jerry Seinfeld** - Johnny Mercer Theatre - Savannah
- 2/17 **Dark Star Orchestra** - Charleston Music Hall - Charleston
- 2/18 **Bruce Springsteen** - Phillips Arena - Atlanta
- 2/18 **Umprey's McGee** - The Music Farm - Columbia
- 2/20 **Foreigner** - Florida Theatre - Jacksonville
- 2/24 **O.A.R.** - Florida Theatre - Jacksonville
- 2/26 **Widespread Panic** - Savannah Civic Center - Savannah
- 3/3 - 3/5 **Aura Music Festival** - Spirit of the Suwannee - Live Oak, FL
- 3/10 **Merle Haggard** - Johnny Mercer Theatre - Savannah
- 3/10 - 3/12 **Savannah Stopover** - Various Venues - Savannah
- 3/15 **Moody Blues** - North Charleston Performing Arts Center - North Charleston
- 3/17 - 3/20 **Suwannee Springfest** - Spirit of the Suwannee - Live Oak, FL
- 3/24 - 4/9 **Savannah Music Festival** - Various Venues - Savannah
- 4/11 - 4/12 **Mumford and Sons** - Infinite Energy Center - Duluth
- 4/14 - 4/16 **Wanee** - Spirit of the Suwannee - Live Oak, FL
- 4/16 - 4/17 **Southern Ground Music and Food Festival** - MUSC Health Stadium - Daniel Island
- 4/24 **Van Morrison** - Verizon Wireless Amphitheatre - Alpharetta
- 4/27 - 4/30 **Suwannee River Jam** - Spirit of the Suwannee - Live Oak, FL



## American Legion

By Chuck Bolen - Commander American Legion Post 154

**2016!!!** Here we are in a brand new year continuing to look forward to bigger and better things for all! We are truly blessed to be on Tybee Island! There is so much kindness and love here in general, but the warm welcome and appreciation shown to our veterans and active military is extraordinary.

Following is an excerpt from a note sent to us by one of our veterans during Tybee Salutes Heroes: *"As a Marine Corps veteran of many years, this is the first time I have ever been treated and thanked like this by anyone."*

We were able to have about 105 military families here for **Tybee Salutes Heroes**. We hope to be able to have many more families next year. We also are hoping to double or even triple the size of our parade and number of participants. Tybee Salutes Heroes and American Legion Post 154 thank you all for your part in this worthy Island-wide event!

Tybee Salutes Heroes 2016 will be much bigger and much better with the continued support of our Tybee Island businesses and accommodations partners!

American Legion Post 154 has exciting programs and events in store for 2016! Look for information coming soon!!

We are proud and excited to be a part of the Tybee Beachcomber! Awesome job for this year of news!

We will have oyster roasts coming up soon in these "R" months!!

The canteen is open at 5:00pm Monday through Saturday. We can be reached at 912 786-5356.

The American Legion meetings are every 2nd Monday of the month. The Ladies Auxiliary meets at the same time. The SAL meets the third Monday of the month.

Wear your red on Fridays in support of our military...Red Shirt Friday.

Remember, once you are in the military, you are a veteran...no matter what your age!! Veterans are any age...not just the "old" folks. If you've served or are serving...you are a veteran. We need your presence, time and talent! We are here as a place of service for our community and our veterans.

You are always welcome!

# Life's a Beach Events

## What's happening in February

By Mom

2-5 **Critz Tybee Run Fest** 5K, 10K, 1/2 Marathon, 2.8 Mile Beach Run and 1 Mile Run. You can do any or all events. This event helps supports our non-profit organizations. To register or to obtain more info, go online to [www.critztybeerun.com](http://www.critztybeerun.com) .

2-6 thru 2-7 **Shopping for Your Perfect Match Art Show** 11am-6pm on 2-6 and 11am-5pm on 2-7. This event is held at the Tybee Arts Association building, 7 Cedarwood Ave.

2-13 **Michael Pritzkow Book Signing** 5pm at The Wind Rose Café, 19 16th St. Mr. Pritzkow will be promoting his latest book, *Morning Light* with a book signing. He will be giving a speech and responding to a question and answer session on how to get published.

2-19 **4th Annual Pajama Pub Crawl** 7pm beginning at Fannies, Games at every bar and good times. Wear your jammies! Call Alaina at 912-675-5261 or email [tybeep.j.pubcrawl@gmail.com](mailto:tybeep.j.pubcrawl@gmail.com)

2-20 **Oyster Roast and Bloody Mary Bar** 12-4 pm at the American Legion, 10 Veterans Dr. Benefit for Tybee Island Maritime Academy. Advance tickets \$25 All You Can Eat Oysters and Cash Bar (\$30 at the door). Kid Friendly food available for purchase. Games and Door Prizes. To purchase advance tickets, contact Rory Coyle at 407-312-1078 or email [rorydennette@gmail.com](mailto:rorydennette@gmail.com).

2-20 **Annual Chili Cook-off** 8pm at The Wind Rose, 19 16th St. Traditional and non-traditional chili prizes will be awarded. A 50/50 raffle along with a Basket of Cheer raffle will be held. Call 912-786-6593 for additional info.

2-20 **Tribute to John Prine** 8pm at Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. The Accomplices Band and Friends will be presenting an evening of live music to honor folk hero John Prine. For more info go online to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) .

2-21 **Tybee City Limits** 8pm at Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. The best in live local music for a touch of blues. Eric Culbertson Band, Greg Williams Band, and Crystina Parker will be performing. For more info go online to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) .

2-26 thru 2-28 **Savannah Challenge Walk MS** 7am-5pm on 2-26, walking will be 21.5 miles in Savannah. 7am-5pm on 2-27, walking will be 18.5 miles on Skidaway Island and 7am-1pm on 2-28, walking is 10 miles on Tybee Island. Home base of Hotel Tybee where we will be shuttling to and from events. Contact Lauren Gilbertson for further info at 704-731-1430 or email [lauren.gilbertson@nmss.org](mailto:lauren.gilbertson@nmss.org) .

2-27 **Art Fest by the Sea – GA Seminars** 10am-5pm at Tybee Island Wedding Chapel, 1114 US Hwy 80. This is a free event for the public to stroll through the 1st Art Fest by the Sea. Artists from all over the world will be showing you their specialties. Everything from oils on porcelain, glass blowing, origami, and so much more.

2-27 **A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline** 8pm at Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. This stage show follows the late star, Patsy Cline's life from her early honky-tonk days to Carnegie Hall. For more info go online to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) .

2-27 **Introduction to Digital Photography with Alfie Wace** 10am-noon at the Tybee Arts Association building, 7 Cedarwood Ave. This is a great way to learn the basics of digital photography. Contact Alfie Wace for further info via email [alfie.wace@gmail.com](mailto:alfie.wace@gmail.com) .

2-29 **TIFP VIP Luncheon-Neighbors Helping Neighbors** 11am-noon at the Old School Cafeteria, 204 5th St. TIFP Chief Robert Bryson has created a new group with adults giving back to each other. The goal is to search out those neighbors that need a little help now and again. The YMCA and other local businesses. including restaurants, are joining in. If you need some assistance or want to help, contact Chief Bryson at 912-472-5091 or email him at [rbyron@cityoftybee.org](mailto:rbyron@cityoftybee.org) for further info.



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# WHAT TO DO FOR KIDS AND YOU!

By Elizabeth Jones

## Activities for February!

The month of February is cold, but there are still plenty of things to do at the beach!

### MONTHLY EVENTS

#### **TYBEE ISLAND LIBRARY**

STORY TIME FOR AGES 0-5  
TUESDAYS 11AM

#### **MARINE SCIENCE CENTER**

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK  
10AM-5PM  
ADMISSION: \$4 (4& UNDER: FREE)  
1 HOUR WALKS SCHEDULED BY REQUEST \$10 PER PERSON  
(4& UNDER: FREE)

#### **TYBEE LIGHTHOUSE & MUSEUM**

OPEN EVERY DAY EXCEPT TUESDAY  
9AM-5:30PM  
ADMISSION: KIDS (6-12) \$7, ADULTS \$9

## WINTER Events

#### **THE TYBEE ISLAND YMCA**

FEBRUARY 20, 6-8PM: FAMILY SKATE NIGHT  
ADMISSION: \$4 (INCLUDES SKATE RENTAL)

#### **TYBEE ISLAND LIBRARY**

FEBRUARY 3, 6:30PM: FAMILY GAME TIME  
FEBRUARY 24, 3PM: COOL AND CRAZY CRAFTS

#### **FEATURED ACTIVITY FOR FEBRUARY:**

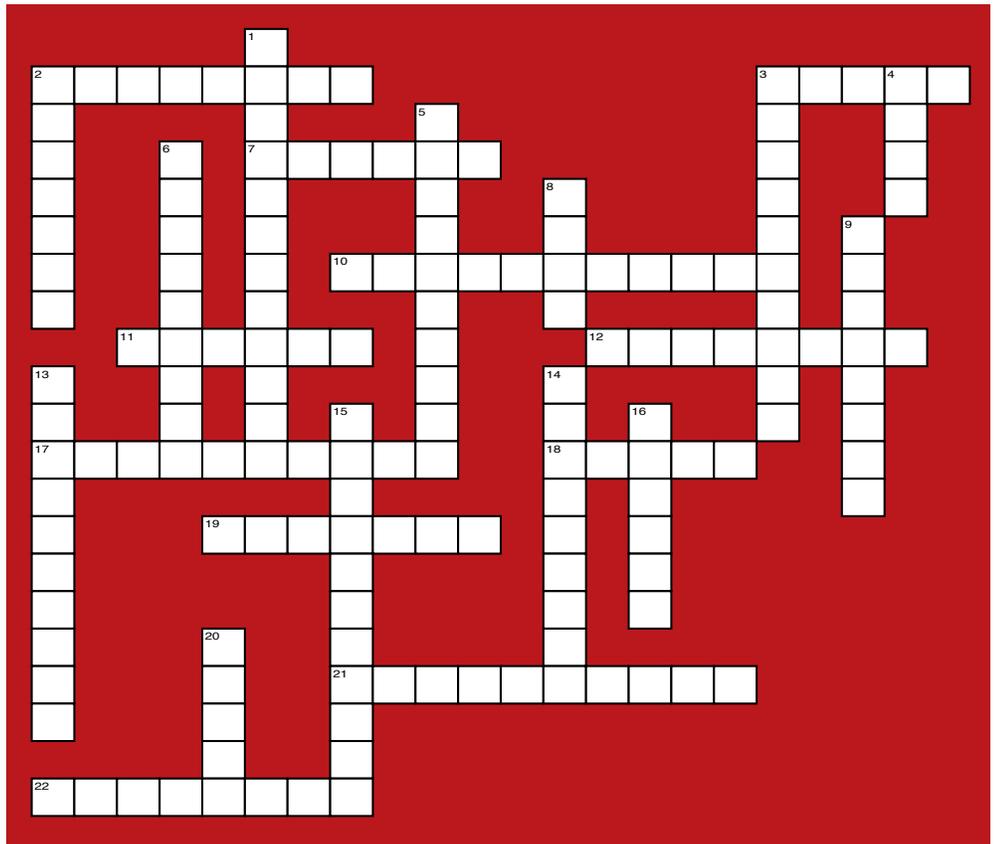
##### **DR. JOE RICHARDSON'S BEACH ECOLOGY TRIP**

DR. JOE RICHARDSON IS A MARINE SCIENTIST WHO LEADS ECOLOGY TRIPS ON TYBEE'S BEACH. THEY ARE INTRIGUING FOR ALL AGES AND HE TAKES GROUPS OF ALL SIZES. TRIPS ARE SCHEDULED UPON REQUEST, USUALLY AROUND LOW TIDE TO BE ABLE TO SEE AND DO MORE. GENERALLY THESE TRIPS LAST ABOUT TWO HOURS AND COST \$25 PER PERSON OR \$75 FOR A GROUP OF UP TO FIVE PEOPLE. YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION AT HIS WEBSITE [WWW.CEASURF.COM/PAGES/BEACHTRIPS.ASPX](http://WWW.CEASURF.COM/PAGES/BEACHTRIPS.ASPX). YOU CAN SCHEDULE YOUR TRIP BY CALLING (912)596-5362, OR BY EMAIL AT [JOE@CEASURF.COM](mailto:JOE@CEASURF.COM)



### ECOLOGY TRIP

# Cross Word



Created by Margie McLellan

## ACROSS

- 2 Book signing will be held here (2 wds.)
- 3 Cook-off to be held at Wind Rose
- 7 Patrick shows distaste for this sport
- 10 Tybee's favorite magazine
- 11 Bartender of the Month
- 12 Second month
- 17 Day for lovers
- 18 Marathon on Tybee
- 19 Tuscan Shrimp and Lobster \_\_\_\_\_
- 21 Fish found around structures
- 22 Red Shirt Friday supports them

## DOWN

- 1 Nell's book for February
- 2 Wave break Surfer Girl went in search of
- 3 Bizz Buzz locale
- 4 Powerful emotion
- 5 Monthly Rant subject (2wds.)
- 6 Candy for your lover
- 8 Skate Night is held here
- 9 Breezy loves mixing locals with them
- 13 Music Profile Tribute (2 wds.)
- 14 Food Spy went here
- 15 We are celebrating our first
- 16 We comb the beach with her
- 20 Shape for lovers

# Word Search

B M C T O U R I S T S W J K L X Y Q  
 X M Y R A T I L I M R S R Y W R R Y  
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| BAR PATRONS | HEART         | SHEEPSHEAD |
| BEACHCOMBER | HILARY        | TOURISTS   |
| CAMPGROUND  | LOVE          | VALENTINES |
| CHILI       | MACELWEES     | WASHOUT    |
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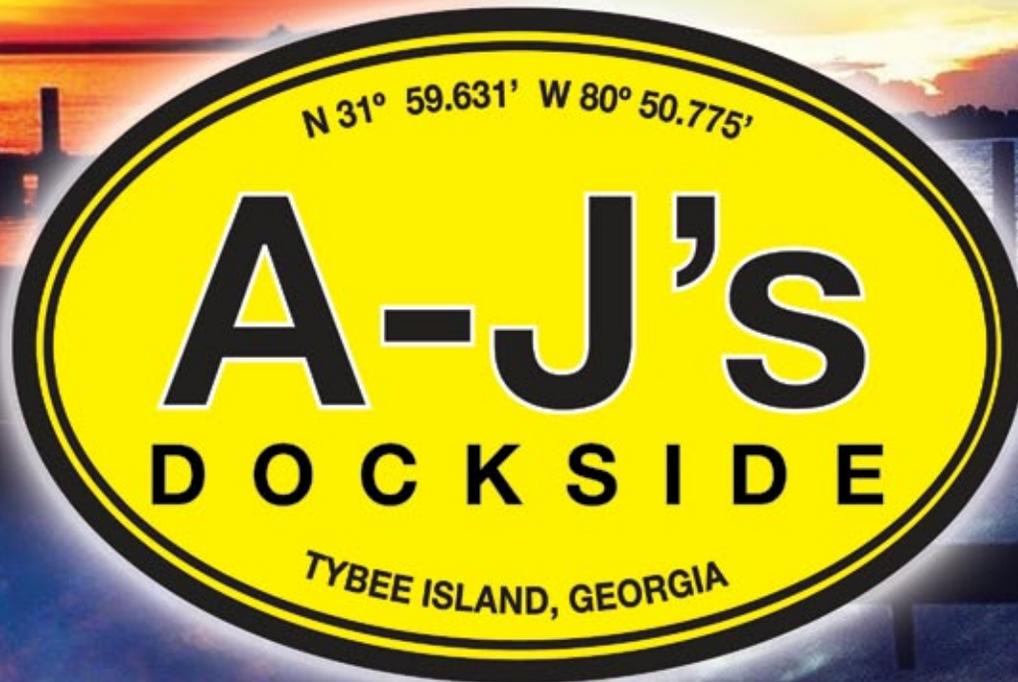
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