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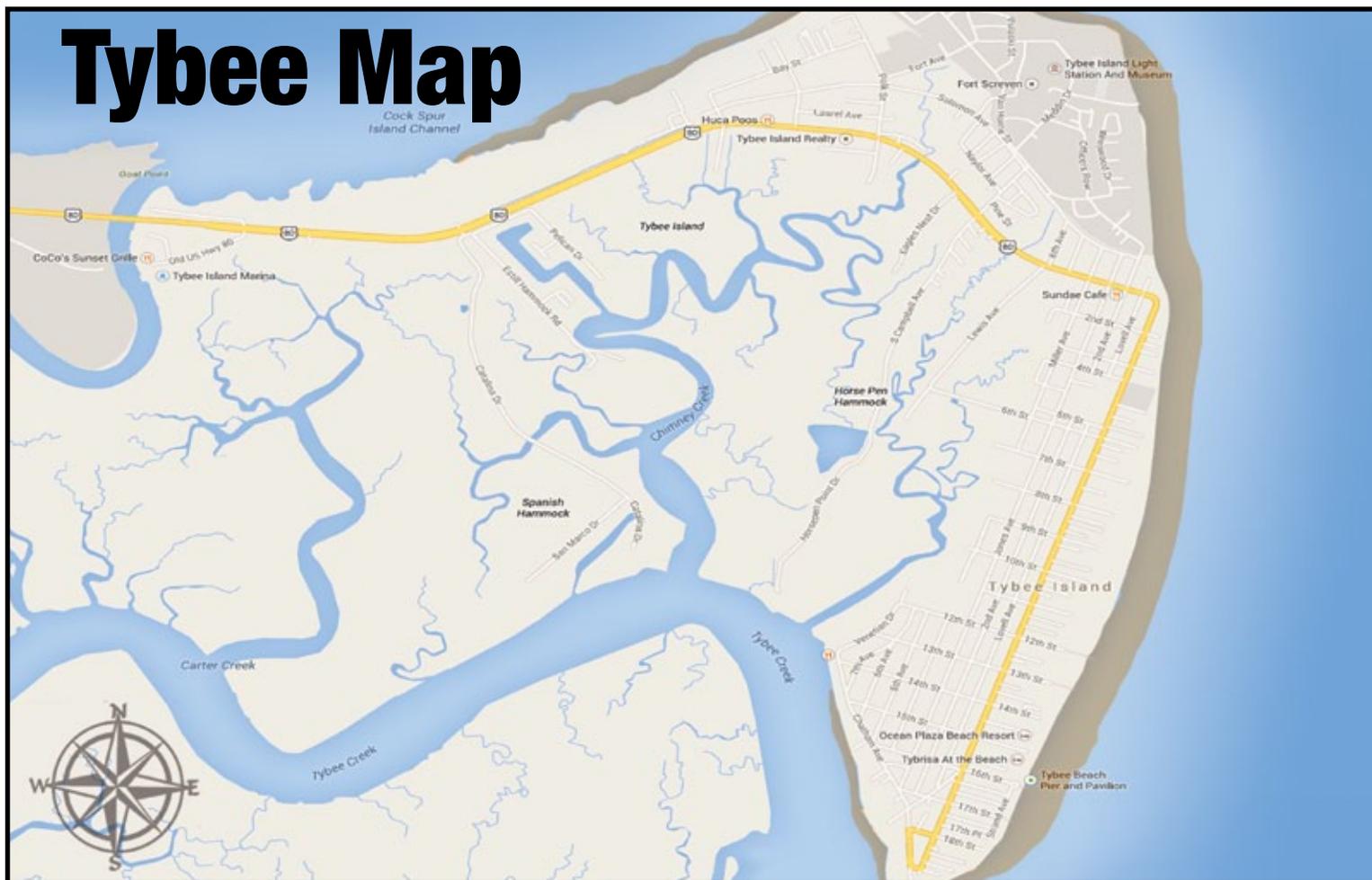
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From the

# EDITOR

**Holy Rootball!!! Happy New Year my friends and family!!!!**

This is going to be a great year! New possibilities, opportunities, changes, friends, and goals to obtain, discard, put on a pedestal or set on fire! The world is our oyster and we live on the best place to eat that oyster!

So, here is the plan: We only get one chance at this life thing so think big!! Go do something you have never done before, whether that be skydiving, surfing, writing a book, traveling somewhere you can't pronounce the name of, running naked down Butler. You get the gist. Go do something you have always wanted to do. Send me a picture!

Speaking of pictures, Fuzzy Manitta had a brilliant idea to start the **"Traveling Beachcomber."** This was kicked off with some help from Clint and Deborah Troop, along with Patty Young, who went to Belize. Check out Clint underwater holding up November's issue! Go somewhere exotic, fun, and different and take the Beachcomber with you. Take a picture of yourself holding the Beachcomber and send it to me. The monthly winner will be pictured in the magazine and you will win something. I don't know what that is yet, but I will figure it out.

Also this month, we have Mardi Gras on January 30th. Strange and early timing, but hey, it's a party and let's dust off our beads and shake our butts Tybee style! Always a good time to be had and definitely something to look forward to at the end of January's doldrums of forgotten and lost resolutions.

So! Grab the Beachcomber and go do something fun! Don't forget your camera!



# Ocean Blessings for the New Year

By Micheal Elliot



Standing on the beach with feet in the cold water, watching the waves roll in and then out again, you watch long enough until noticing the shore is a little different with each kiss of the Ocean.

Delightful gifts from the Sea...starfish, shells, shark teeth and drift wood...are left behind, but so are cigarette butts, empty cans, dead fish and wet underwear filled with sand.

The older you grow, the more noticeable the changes on the beach become.

The majesty of the Ocean remains the same...vast giver of Life when mixed with Sun...sometimes angry...often calm...always inspiring.

The little things on the Beach though...be the incredible gifts...or the soggy trashy things...come and go...forever landing at your feet...in your life.

They come and go...just like years.

The Ocean remains the same.

The Beach forever changes.

We're the Beach.

The things we believe in...where we place our faith...are forever changing.

I often wonder why we long to be close to the Ocean, to stand on the Beach, with our feet in the water, with our backs turned to humanity and everything it's made or unmade.

There's an answer I like at the very beginning of the Bible: "*And the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters*" (Genesis 1:2).

I think that's a big part of it.

We return to the Ocean...and long for it when we're away...because that's where God hangs...making waves...washing out the old...washing in the new.

If you're lucky enough to be reading this and be on Tybee sometime around the first of the year...give or take several weeks...go to the Beach...stick your feet in the water...discard the bad things around you...accept the gifts.

It's the best way to forget about last year and celebrate the new one.

You know.

With your feet in the Ocean...very close to where God hovers.

**Happy New Year!**

Don't stray so far this time.

# BIZZ BUZZ

## *Nails by Maranda*

By Alaina Loughridge



This New Year's Bizz Buzz inductee is **Nails by Maranda**, located inside **Salon Isobe**.

For a new year, we want a new you! Let's start with your toes and work our way up to the top! Maranda Davis is the lady to see to make this makeover happen!

Maranda has been all about feet and hands since she was a teenager practicing on her diabetic grandmother. That beginning started her

on a path to where she is today, constantly educating herself on new and better techniques, exploring different lotions and

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Maranda has been at Salon Isobe for over two years now. She has an excellent 'shellac' for people in the service industry to keep their nails picture-perfect longer than typical. She offers Zoya, a 'Vegan Friendly' polish, in addition to O.P.I. and Morgan Taylor. Did I mention that she is also 'man friendly?' Yes...Men have feet too! Additionally, Maranda offers home visits for disabled people that cannot get to her.

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Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
1	Fr	12:50a 6.1	1:01p 6.3	6:52a 1.0	7:11p 0.8	7:24a	5:30p		11:57a	
2	Sa	1:40a 6.1	1:50p 6.1	7:47a 1.2	8:02p 0.9	7:24a	5:31p	12:30a	12:30p	3rd
3	Su	2:30a 6.2	2:40p 6.0	8:46a 1.2	8:57p 0.8	7:25a	5:31p	1:22a	1:03p	
4	Mo	3:22a 6.3	3:32p 6.0	9:45a 1.1	9:50p 0.7	7:25a	5:32p	2:15a	1:39p	
5	Tu	4:14a 6.5	4:24p 6.0	10:39a 0.9	10:42p 0.4	7:25a	5:33p	3:09a	2:17p	
6	We	5:05a 6.8	5:15p 6.2	11:30a 0.6	11:31p 0.1	7:25a	5:34p	4:03a	3:00p	
7	Th	5:54a 7.1	6:04p 6.4	12:18p 0.2		7:25a	5:35p	4:58a	3:47p	
8	Fr	6:39a 7.4	6:50p 6.6	12:19a -0.2	1:05p -0.1	7:25a	5:35p	5:53a	4:39p	
9	Sa	7:22a 7.6	7:33p 6.8	1:06a -0.5	1:50p -0.4	7:25a	5:36p	6:46a	5:35p	
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## Tybee Island Bucket List

- Polar Bear Plunge
- MLK Parade
- Mardi Gras Celebration
- 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
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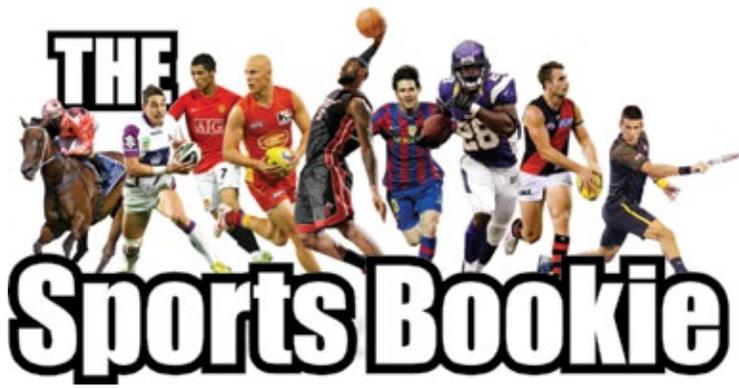
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# THE Sports Bookie

Alabama. Oklahoma. Crimson Tide. These are my last three picks of the college football season. It will be after these games that I will slip into a state of **“Athletic Depression.”** I will have to wander aimlessly in a world that offers NBA and College Basketball. If my predictions are right, then I will also be listening to all the praise that Nick Saban gets and how awesome Alabama is...again. Frankly, I am so sick of Alabama being in this situation year after year. Sure it's great if you're a Tide fan, but for the love of God, can't we get someone in there that is willing to shave some points that could alter the state of SEC football?

At this exact moment in my life, the above paragraph is all I know about watching sports in my home. Over the course of the last four months, I slowly saw my game days transform into something I never thought I would see. My Saturday rituals were waking up and having ESPN's Gameday on for three hours, grabbing some Chick-fil-a, cracking open some cold snacks and watching football for the next 10 hours. Add some drinking games, corn hole and some wagers and you have a beautifully painted picture of how I celebrated my Saturdays for the better part of the last half of my life.

This college football season is about to come to an end, presumably taking my game day rituals with them. My 2-year-old made sure that we would have to watch things like *The Wizard of Oz* and *Odd Squad*. Repeatedly. Who would have thought that he wouldn't want to sit around all day and watch football? I guess some things change with time and you just have to let them go. That typically is the theme towards the end of the college football season. Boosters get vocal, records start to falter and before you know it the coaching carousel takes a spin. I guess this was what the University of Georgia had in mind when they decided to “part ways” with Coach Mark Richt. This is one coaching change that I don't agree with even though I am not a fan of the school; I am fan of The Man himself.

When he was hired, I remember one of my friends saying that he believed that he was going to be there for a long time. Turns out he was right. I think he did an excellent job in his tenure as the head football coach of a heralded school with a deep football tradition. I know there is the small percentage of Georgia fans that are glad he is out because they were getting tired of not “winning the big ones.” I even overheard a comment that mentioned they would rather have

nine 6-6 seasons and one National Championship in a ten year span. I just can't understand that comment. I would love to be in contention every season. I would gladly take a decade of 10-2, 11-1 or even 9-3. Maybe you aren't hoisting a National Championship trophy, but your season is a lot more enjoyable than not going to a bowl game. I have been a fan of some teams that have been terrible and it can wear a fan down.

I like to look at this with the same take as I do with the Atlanta Braves in the '90s. Sure they only won the World Series in 1995, but they also won 5 National League pennants and division titles. That decade was a lot of fun to watch the Braves. It was fun because they always had a shot. It was leaps and bounds better than the '80s and presently, don't even get me started. I saw the same thing happen with Georgia Southern. The Eagles won their last National Championship in 2000. Paul Johnson left after the 2001 season and was replaced by Mike Sewak who led the Eagles to 2 Conference Championships, but failed to make it through the playoffs. In his four seasons leading the Eagles, I knew we always had the possibility to have a run at the playoffs. He left after the 2005 season and in came Brian Van Gorder. This name still boils my blood. This clown came it to Statesboro and dismantled our program. He got rid of the triple option, which was and currently is the bread and butter of Georgia Southern football. He removed traditions that had been in place since the legendary Erk Russell. He even went out of his way to have a billboard with his stupid, little mustachioed face that read: “Eagles Football, There is no option.” He was just throwing in Statesboro's face his tyranny of the football program; winning over no fans. Funny thing, he stayed there one sloppy 3-8 season. I am nearly positive my Facebook status on the day he announced he was leaving was filled with explicative words not safe for the Beachcomber.

My point I was making before I got on a twisted rant was that it is hard to sit back and watch beloved teams go through coaching transitions when you had a hell of a captain at the helm. I hope Richt has great success at Miami and I think that it would be hysterical if Miami somehow got a National Championship before Georgia.

**Happy New Year loyal readers!**

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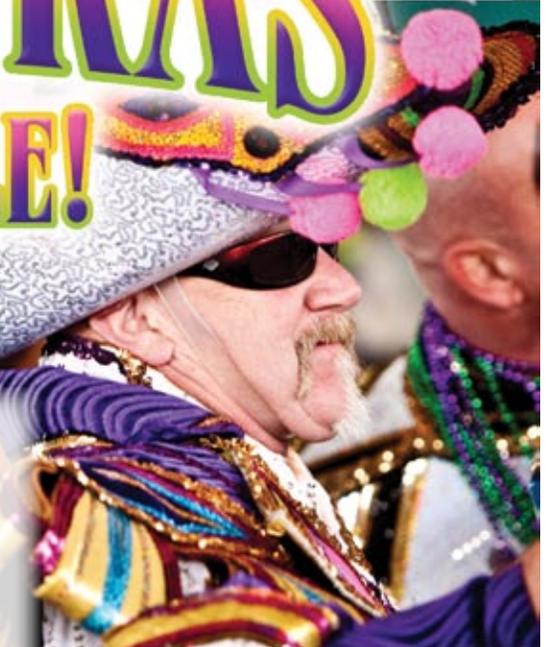
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*You ever have those days when you wake up and you have a pop tart stuck to the side of your face and one flip flop on? Yep. Me neither. It's Mardi Gras time baby!!! It's early this year so let's put our party face (pop tart face) on and shake what our mamma gave us!*

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# A BUG'S LIFE...

By Johnny Herald

The word "Bug" is mentioned on a regular basis in our southern states, as a lot of them are more prevalent in warmer climates. Some of them are aquatic, but most of their habitation is on land. There are many species that prey on other insects and many others that thrive on plant life that can do great damage agriculturally. Scientists approximate that there are 4,500 bugs in North America alone. One who studies insects in the professional field is called an Entomologist.

## True Bugs

These are a group of insects that have piercing/sucking mouth parts and are known to be predators, plant feeders and blood feeders.

**Bat Bugs** – Bat bugs are reddish-brown and 1/16 – 3/16". They are much the same in appearance to bed bugs. They are known to harbor in attics, window sills and rarely feed on humans.

**Bed Bugs** – Bed bugs are smaller in size and are flat, auburn brown in color and are nearly invisible in the earliest stage. The target host for them are humans. One of the signs to look for are blood markings on any fabrics. These insects are parasitic and feed mainly on human blood. Places of interest to look for signs of them are headboards, mattress seams, screw holes and any crack and crevice areas of the home. There are several methods for elimination and all are a time-consuming process.

**Wheel Bugs** – These bugs are 1 – 1.25" and are silver with a wheel shaped pronotum (upper body part). They eat other insects, have piercing/sucking mouth parts (mandibles) and can bite if handled. They are commonly confused with beetles.

**Chinch Bugs** – These bugs are cigar-shaped, black in color and are 3/8 – 1/2" with a triangle head, silver wings and commonly found in Georgia. They harbor on exterior wall surfaces in the fall and subside after that.

**Box Elder Bugs** – The adults of this insect are 1/2 - 5/8" with black-orange stripes and red eyes. They are most abundant in the fall. These are harmless bugs and breed in the summer months.

**Kudzu Bugs** – The Kudzu plant was imported from Asia to Georgia and the Western Hemisphere a number of years ago. In time this plant proved to be a major problem, with its rapid overgrowth on trees, telephone poles and other foliage in its wake. Along with this plant emerged an insect coined the "Kudzu Bug." These bugs are 3/16 – 1/4". They feed mainly on Kudzu, legumes and soybeans. They decline in the winter months and can be controlled with a proper residual spray insecticide.



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*"For real?!"*  
*"Too Real."*  
*"Keno!!!"*  
*"Whatever."*

*"Sad times for my ass."*  
*"Oh my God! Oh my God!"*  
*"How much do you love me?"*  
*"Will you do me a big, Big favor?"*  
*"Yeah, right."*  
*"Lie, Lie, Lie."*  
*"Right, Right."*  
*"Love y'all. Bye!"*

• Cupcake was a strange mixture of happiness and hard knocks resulting in, of all things, an incredible joyful love. When she was down, she laughed. When she was up, she often cried. Whichever, she left you "touched." An Ambassador for Tybee Island, representing the quirkiest side, she welcomed all equally.

Deciding her work was done, she rolled out to Sea on Baby's Breath in November to sprinkle laughter, love and joy over the Holidays and into the New Year. Lots of Islanders have lots to say.

- Micheal Elliot

• At the Celebration of Cupcake's Life, I walked around Bar Church looking at the faces of Tybee Island. I saw the love in their eyes, heard them talk of things she's done, stories of how she loved them. I saw our siblings mingle with those I've grown to love over the 15 years she called Tybee home. I heard laughing... Yes, laughing. One wonders how people can laugh when we hurt so much. We laugh because we share a common love. We laugh because relationships are healing. We laugh because they see her in me. We laugh because God is praised!

MY TYBEE FAMILY smile when you remember a place we dance together, eat together, dolphins jump. And please, by all means PLEASE, don't freak when you see me walking your beautiful streets or sitting on the walk-over; Cupcake is NOT haunting you! Sunshine and Smiles, - Your sister Anne

• "FOR REAL!! REALLY!! RIIIGHT!! COME ON!!!" These phrases and the jovial, warm, embracing energy that only Cupcake could exude will be forever missed at the Burton 4H Center! We had some of our own "pet names" for her amongst us, but no mistaking she was ONE OF A KIND and knew how to draw people in. Fly high sweet angel! Your presence will always be amongst us and in our hearts! Love ya Girl! - Lisa Good and the gang at the 4H Camp.

• Dear Cupcake, Would you please play with my sister in Heaven? Miss you. - Love, Bristol

• The best hugs and always the happiest person to greet you. - The Wyatts

• To Cupcake: She always gave me a ride when I left my car here at Benny's. She's my good friend and more. I sure miss her. - Clare

• Cupcake, You cheered me up when I was down in the dumps that day. You made it better. Love you. Miss you. Tell Vi hello. - JJ

• I remember asking Cupcake if she could work one of my shifts at work. I called her and she said "Hi Honey, you want me to do what??" (LOL, LOL, LOL) She laughed big time and hung up on me. I laughed so hard. I miss you girl. - Love, Britt

• "Has anyone told you they love you today?" Cupcake never met a stranger. Happy go lucky, kind, giving and helpful. She was always smiling when she wasn't crying. She loved her Tybee Bar Church and her Lord. She also liked a good Screwdriver. Cupcake loved her family; her grandkids were her heart and they loved to give Nana hugs and kisses. Loved Nascar and Christmas (been known to play Christmas music in June, didn't even wait for July!). She worked hard and partied hard. When she wasn't yelling "Keno!!!" it was "Can I borrow \$20 until Thursday?"

• When we first came to Tybee, Cupcake was one of the first people we met. She took us under her wing - introduced us to a lot of people, and made us feel like family. Thank you Cupcake. We love and miss you. - Sherry and Kevin

***Whatever losses you've had this year, celebrate them Island style, like we do on Tybee, throwing ashes, roses or Baby's Breath for the Ocean to carry out...only to watch it come back in again.***

# Reflections

By Hollie Sessoms

## MARKING TIME



This whole scene is what the best moments of my life are—me in the kitchen taking a break from cleaning an extraordinary mess from a particularly good supper, the kids in the living room being too wild (any moment now, I'll have to shut down my computer and break up a fight), the clock three hours from the new year and I have still not showered from my morning at the gym and I know that out there beyond my front door are all sorts in Sunday best, music pumping, toasting and exuberant, who will they kiss, and I know who I will kiss, the man with the Xbox controller, battling our son in a game, and he is smooth-shaven today though yesterday he was gruff, there will be no rasp against my cheek this year, no prickling on my bottom lip, and maybe I won't kiss him at midnight after all, maybe I'll fall asleep on the couch like last year and he will tap my leg, nudge my arm, "the ball's dropping," and I will raise my head with sleepy eyes and yawn and say in my choked morning voice, "Happy New Year," and go back to sleep and tomorrow the gym will be too crowded and everyone else will be walking zombie-like through the stores, another hangover behind their eyes, and it will be another day and another year, another way to drop a pin, set a marker, tell that time is indeed passing me by.



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# COMBINING THE BEACH WITH HILARY

By Hilary Junewicz



**H**appy New Year Tybee! I must say it's been quite a year for me with **Tybee Beachcomber**. I have never taken so many pictures in my life! I've never been a photographer by any means, but I think I've come a long way and I might be getting better...? This whole experience has been great too, in that I'm meeting so many new people here. I've said this before, but I never could've done all this without your help. You let me take your pictures, I've contacted you for names in my pictures, you've taken pictures for me, you've sent me pictures, I've borrowed your camera, et cetera. Thank you Tybee for assisting me in combing the beach!

**1** Typically when I see **Cindy** and **Amy** together, they're at work at **Salon Isobe**. It was a pleasant surprise to see them getting a chance to unwind after work at **Nickie's**. So Amy has helped me comb the beach...and my hair.

**2** I was having a good time watching local band **Baked Alaska** play at **Huc A Poo's**. Those guys can jam. **Moss** does vocals. And I just liked their Facebook page. See, **Beachcomber** makes me a more well-rounded person as well.

**3** Had a great year with both of these girls, **Jennlauren** and **Melonie**. Jenn is above and beyond a good friend to me. Melonie had a good year just having her "living on Tybee" anniversary and she is progressing extremely well in her endeavors. She's changing the world, one spirit at a time.

**4** Picturesque shot of girl's night out at the **Wind Rose** with **Mindy** and **Carrie**! I mean really, what else can I say about this picture (am I getting a little better)?

**5** I went to "**Life is a Carnival**," a tribute to **The Band** again at the **Lucas Theatre** held the night before Thanksgiving. If you enjoy music at all I totally recommend this event. It's so entertaining you don't even have to like The Band; you'll still see a great show. I hope they do it every year. It kicks off the holiday season just right and there are so many talented local musicians involved. Harpist **Kristen King** MADE my favorite song "Atlantic City!" Goosebumps!

**6** The **Wind Rose** not only has a library, they're having book signings! Here are owner, **Nell**, and bartender, **Alaina**, with author **Patrick Brown**! So, if you don't know, now you know...

**7** Once again, this community pulled together like we always do for one of our own. Beloved **Pam** needed a long awaited eye surgery so we held a benefit at **Doc's** to help her with that. It was a major success! I love this picture from that night of good friends **Pam**, **Mike** and **Angela**.

**8** Of course **Ellen** and Pam's brother, "**Catfish**," were there to show their support.

**9** It was so apparent how much everyone loves **Pam**. She packed the house! Here are more friends **Bruce** and **Joe**. Good pic, guys!

**10** I've got just one more of Pam's friends, **Ricky** and **Carol Ann**! I only had to take that picture about six times, remember now, Ricky?

**11** If you weren't here during Christmastime here's a shot of the 2015 Tybee Christmas Tree! That's the biggest Tybee Christmas tree I've ever seen. **Wanda Doyle** announced during the annual lighting.



- 12** The day after the lighting of the tree we had our Tybee Christmas Parade 2015. **Fannie's** had a new adorable little vehicle make an appearance.
- 13** **Sapp's Wrecker Service** also showed off a new vehicle in the parade. I'm sorry, but that truck is bad ass! **Buddy**, with a truck like that she better not be shopping, or with another man!
- 14** **Ziggy Nick's** new tie-died ride also made a debut. Hi **Candice!**
- 15** After the parade I headed to the **Tybee YMCA** for the festivities. They had all sorts of treats and activities for the children. **Sally, Bernie and Marty** from the **Tybee Optimist Club** were there handing out cookies and punch. They were good too, thank you! I'm optimistic!
- 16** **Tybee Time Bar** recently celebrated their 12th anniversary. Gosh I remember when it opened, it's been 12 years already?! Congratulations!
- 17** I attempted and failed to make the Tybee Christmas Boat Parade. Dang it, I just missed it! But I didn't miss out on the pleasure of running into **Patrick, Anne, Sherry and Tony** at **A-J's!**
- 18** Turns out I still got to see some pretty lights missing that parade with that stellar smile on **Renee** behind the bar at **A-J's!**
- 19** Here's four staff ladies of **Coco's: Smokey, Becky, Ashley and Chelsea**. Time to play more trivia at Coco's every Tuesday at 7 p.m.!

- 20** I was happy to see my boy **Gino** when I walked into **The Crab Shack**. He helped me gather this crowd together for a group shot of team Crab Shack: **Lane, Gino, Audrey, Casey, Chris and Jack**. Thanks everyone. Damn, that place smelled good! I want some crab legs next time!
- 21** **Justin and Leah** were working at **MacElwee's**. They were probably serving up crab legs too. I've got to stop going into such fine seafood establishments hungry!
- 22** I love playing some pool with **Holland** at the **Sand Bar** lately. He is a damn good shot, very focused and self-taught. If you get the chance play a game with him, he likes to play all different types of shooters in order to improve his game.
- 23** I was lucky to catch this of **Greg, Joy and Patrick** at **Bubba Gumbo's**. I wanted to shoot them outside by the docks and boats to capture the beautiful ambiance there, but they were just way too busy.
- 24** Met this very nice and interesting man, **Jim a.k.a "Lowcountry,"** at the meatloaf dinner at the **American Legion**. He said it was alright for me to take his picture and print it as he has been successfully out of the witness protection program for quite some time now.
- 25** Here's **Paul and Mark** hamming (I said "hamming" Mark, not "hammering") at the **Wind Rose**. See, I didn't forget ya'll after all. Happy New Year!

Well, that's it for 2015. My **Beachcomber** New Year's resolution is to improve my **"Combing the Beach."** I want to cover more ground and faces, and better my photos. I'm open to suggestions if you have any for me. We'll see what 2016 brings to the beach!

# THE Fish Whisperer



Captain  
Nick Shreves

## January Fishing Forecast

**Wow!** 2015 has come and gone so fast. Happy New Year everyone! May you all catch your dream fish this year. This winter has started off slow and made for some interesting fishing. The places and times have made for a lot of searching to find what we all wanted. January is going to be the same but I am going to try and give a few pointers to try and make it easier on everyone.

### INSHORE

Inshore fishing will be the toughest of it all. The Speckled Sea Trout should be holding up deep, waiting in ambush mode for the bait to come to them. Finding the schools is the key. I tend to troll for them this time of year with half ounce jigs and gulp swimming mullet. When I say troll, I mean move just fast enough to keep the bait in the prime zone and not coming up above 6 feet of water. Once you find the school, anchor up and wear them out. The Redfish will be way up creeks where they can stay away from the Dolphins. Look for them to be sunning themselves on the mud flats at low tide on those warm days. For a good bet this time of year, target Sheepshead with Fiddler Crabs. The local bait shop will be stocked up and be able to get you all the tackle you need. These fish will be around any submerged structure, including oyster rakes.

### NEAR SHORE

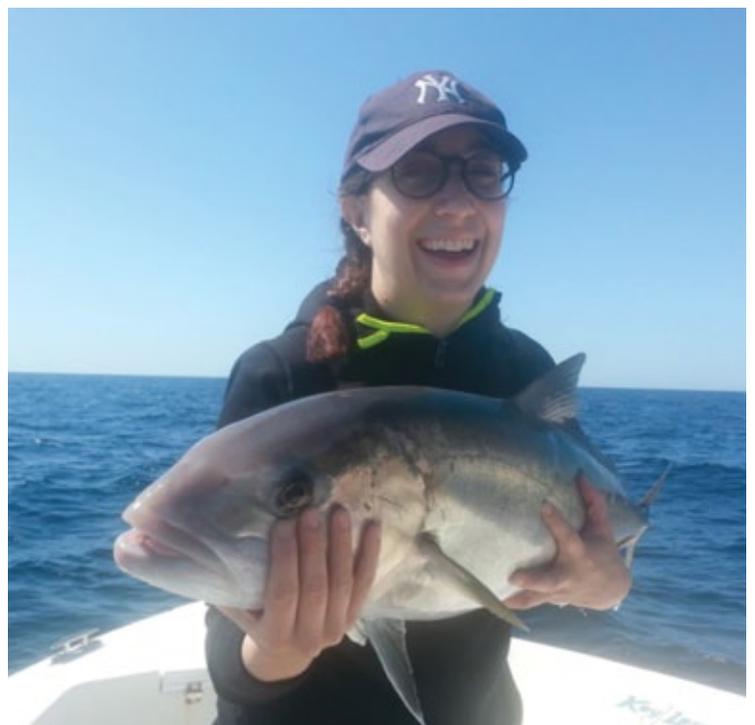
Nearshore fishing has been pretty good. The Black Sea Bass are getting bigger in the 40 to 50 feet of water range. Cut Squid and cut bait are top choices for this plentiful fish. Ring Tails and Sheepshead will also be hanging out in the same spots; they are still working their way out and as the water cools, more and more will show up. Just like inshore they love the Fiddler Crabs but the Black Sea Bass will be eating the crabs up as well, so make sure you bring plenty.



### OFF SHORE

Offshore fishing has remained good with the mild winter so far. Just remember that Grouper are now closed and cannot be kept. The American Red Snapper are thick; to catch any bottom fish you will have to fight these guys off. Make sure you have a deventing tool to release these fish, so when they do reopen we can catch some real slobbs. Vermillion Snapper are open and they are plentiful as well. Just like most bottom fish, Squid and cut bait work great. The stream is producing Blackfin Tuna, Wahoo, Amberjack and Barracuda and are around the big structures and ledges looking to eat anything they can get.

Thank you all for the support and hope you all have tight lines and full fish boxes. **To join me on a fishing trip call me at Big Fish Charters (912) 230-4625.**





The time has come; the time to pull out the sweat suit, beanie and shoes and head east. Tis the season to celebrate the beach. It ends up being a staggering 2-minute journey and well worth the great effort. It is welcoming and desolate other than the variety of bird species out there. Black Skimmers, Laughing Gulls, Royal Terns, etc., these brave flyers all huddled up, facing the wind like winter troops. The sand and ocean stretch out in front of me, a time for peace, stillness and reflection, a good practice for this fanatical season. The walk is filled with clear, salty air and as per usual, my attention fixates on the water, a murky washing machine.

The water is not so still but it is weeded out; only dedicated Winter Warriors can be found bobbing in the less than peaceful surf. Those NE winds really start to kick and punch, pushing surfers to migrate all the way to 2nd street on our island. There, the wind hits the shore at a much more agreeable angle and creates heavy, pitching waves. This unique break is great surf for the more experienced surfers on Tybee Island. Fun on 2nd St. is an understatement for them. For the less experienced surfer...well, they are provided with a huge learning curve and maybe a little traumatization (caught a bit of that). A great place to up-keep the surf pace. Aaah, Tybee surf in the winter; but no matter the season there will be lulls. When there is no surf here, everyone starts to get a little hungry for some waves. Surfers 'round here have been known to go on what we like to call "Surfaris."

Surf trips are a bug in everyone's ear at this time and I got the pleasure to tune into some surf chatter about a couple of excursions and good breaks from two Tybee local surfers. Unkle and Neil Hagan both spoke from many a day trip experience, trekking up and down the coastline having tracked the wind, surf and break. Not an uncommon practice for ramblin' east coast surfers who can't catch a break with the inconsistent breaks. The guys were stoked about traveling, saying it is worth the new turf as it usually pushes one to the next level in their surfing. A new spot usually has the potential to broaden your surf perspective. The essentials: load 'em up with boards, bungee cords, sunflower seeds, wax, towels, water, warm water tank (if you're feeling fancy and care about a warm rinse), or a method the guys stick to is a little pre-session, warm water pour-down into their wetsuits, for that last grasp of heat before hitting the winter surf. Quick stop at Davis Produce to pick up some Cajun peanuts, then the question, North or South?

An awesome thing I learned from Unkle was that, from Tybee it is the same amount of distance up the coast to Folly Beach in SC as it is down the coast to Huguenot in FL, by the mile. These are two awesome breaks only about two hours away. Folly Beach's break is called "The Washout" and Huguenot's is called "The North Jetty." The righteous part about both of these breaks, especially in our winter months, is that their offshore winds are those frigid northerlies. Importance for offshore winds is that they hold up the wave (long rides), hollows them out (barrels), cleans the wave up (glassy). Can't really ask for much more. Time to take this winter migration a step farther. It's no Costa Rica, which has been blessed this year by some awesome Tybee reps from our waters, but it is a start.

Thanks guys for the info, it's an honor to learn from all of your time and experience put into this love of surf. Unlike those resilient birds that are waiting out the winter in formation, we are not here just to survive the cold but to make the most of it! Enjoy the stillness and the open opportunity it brings. No better time to enjoy some adventures that this side of the coast has to offer! What a great place to be. See you in the water.



# TAXITALES

By Joey Goralczyk



You see it on movies and TV all the time. People waving down taxi cabs. It happens on the island too, though not as often as you might think. We usually have people who have called and have to get to them first, so more often than not, when you wave me down, I'll wave right back at you and smile as I roll on by. It's not personal (usually...), but callers take precedence over wavers. That's my official reason. Unofficially though, the real reason that I don't like wavers is that they always, always, ALWAYS end badly! It's odd, it really is, but almost without fail, I regret picking up the waver. They are the first to vomit and the last ones to have any cash. They tend to be more obnoxious and also never seem to know where they are going, which is probably why they were wandering aimlessly in the first place. The few times anyone has gotten violent with me were all wavers. 90% of the times that I have been stiffed is from wavers.

That's not to say I won't pick you up though. For some reason I never learn and still make these mistakes. That seems to be a common theme in my life. Sometimes I get great stories out of a waver. Some of the funniest things to happen to me have been thru a wave down. I remember a Pirate's Fest a few years ago, when I was taking two people home to Wilmington Island at 3:30 in the morning. It was my last run of a very long weekend, and I knew exactly where these guys were going. On our way off Tybee, someone waved me down. Even though I knew I shouldn't, I picked him up. He said he lived off of Johnny Mercer, so why not? Away we went down Mercer and I'm asking this guy the whole time "Where at Johnny Mercer? Is it a house, an apartment complex?" No help. So I dropped off the guys who knew where they lived first, and then I was stuck with a guy who couldn't remember where his house was. We went all the way to the end of Mercer and came all the way back. The guy was clueless and at this point I was just looking for a way out. At this moment this maniac made one of the funniest statements I've ever heard, "Maybe we should go to the Circle K and I'll ask them for directions to my house." Yeah, because I'm sure the late-night clerk knows where you live! I took him there, and as soon as the guy got out, I floored it. I left him there and I would do it again. Freaking idiot!

Even when you know the waver, it ends badly. Just a few weeks ago I was taking someone home at closing time from one of our local bars, when I saw two of my very favorite locals and a hot mess of an "acquaintance" of theirs waving me down from the parking lot. Of course I grabbed them and without asking where they were going, started towards their respective homes. At this point, the hot mess started yelling that she needed to go back to to collect her "medication" from her car. Right away I knew this was not gonna end well. I dropped off one of the locals at her house first, and I swear she

winked at me. She knew exactly what I was getting into. So off we went. The three of us. Now I think my local friend was trying to score, and hey, I'm always here to help anyway I can. There are limits to the amount of abuse I will endure though. In the parking lot, the hot mess decided she was gonna drive home. That was NOT a good idea, as she could barely walk, and I told her that I would call the cops if she got into her vehicle. This did not please her whatsoever, and she got in her car and went thru her purse. The next thing I knew, this woman was swinging a very large "selfie stick" at my dear friend and me. As we were ducking the blows, my buddy told me to get in my car and drive off, that she was effing nuts, and he would just walk home. So I did. But then it hit me. I write for the Beachcomber and I need stories! I went back, only to find that she had, in fact, caught my friend with the selfie stick and he was bleeding from the forehead, which she found hilarious. We eventually got her calm enough to get in the car, and I gave my buddy a towel to stop the bleeding. I took them home and all seemed well.

About a week later, my buddy called me to come meet him. He had a present for me. He told me that after I dropped them off he was cleaning his wounds and she apparently walked outside and disappeared. She did, however, forget some things. He found her panties by the door and a blood-soaked selfie stick on his coffee table! He gave me the selfie stick and told me that I should write a story about that night. So, here it is!

**Happy New Year man! Hope the forehead healed up alright!!!**

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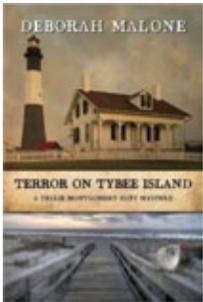
# BOOK REVIEW

By Nell Klein

## TERROR ON TYBEE ISLAND

A TRIxie MONTGOMERY COZY MYSTERY

By Deborah Malone



I came across this book at just the right time. I had been reading a series of very good, but dark and disturbing, books and I needed something light and carefree to read to take my mind off all the murder and mayhem! **Terror on Tybee Island** really hit the spot.

Trixie Montgomery, a writer for *“Georgia by the Way,”* a historical publication, is sent to Tybee Island to do a story. Her mom Betty Jo, great aunt Nana and her best friend Dee Dee come along for the ride. They have reservations at Seaside Cottage, a bed and breakfast owned by Betty Jo’s old friend Laura. No sooner do they arrive when Trixie stumbles across a dead body on the beach. The body belongs to Grace, the owner of a neighboring bed and breakfast, and an enemy of Laura’s. Grace was killed by being beaten to death with a garden gnome which happens to belong to Laura and is covered with her fingerprints. Needless to say, Laura becomes the prime suspect in the death. Trixie’s mom is worried sick about her old friend and asks Trixie to help clear her name. You see, Trixie has helped solve another murder in Dahlongega and her mom thinks she can help Laura.

This was a “cozy mystery.” I assume that means that it’s easy to read, not bloody or gory, but totally entertaining. The Tybee Island that the book portrays is slightly different than our Tybee (not all bars and t-shirt shops), but there are some familiar landmarks: The Crab Shack, Seaside Sister’s, and the Lighthouse, to name a few. There’s also some mayhem the night of Pirate’s Fest. The girls also spend some time in Savannah, and of course there is a Paula Deen chapter!

I give this book 4 roses and one dandelion because the title is misleading. It was lighthearted and enjoyable, but terror was totally not an issue. I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book in just a few hours. It’s full of colorful characters, funny turns of events, and just a good time. Deborah Malone has also written **Death in Dahlongega** (her first book), and I hope that **Terror on Tybee** Island is not her last.

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



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# A SPECIAL TYBEE THANKS

By Pam Smith

To My Tybee Family:

You are the most awesome, wonderful people in the world! I am so blessed to be sharing and living on our beautiful island with you all. This just goes to show that the people of Tybee always come together to help each other.

I was so overwhelmed by the amount of support and love that has been shown to me. It’s been a very humbling and heartfelt experience. I will never forget this and want you to know that I WILL Pay It Forward! Thank you for all your prayers, caring and love! I am “seeing” Life through new eyes!

I have a lot of Angels surrounding me! To Jennifer, Michael, Jenny, Angela, Steve and Bethany, you guys are “The Bomb!”

Thank you from the bottom of my Heart,

Pam



By Alaina Loughridge - Photos by Wen McNally



**Benvenuti nella famiglia!!!** (Welcome to the family) and that is exactly the greeting my cohorts and I received when we stepped out of the elevator at our newest restaurant addition to Tybee, **La Dolce Vita**. I was so excited to go eat at La Dolce that I didn't eat all day in anticipation of a feast. So with stomachs rumbling, Rick, Wen, Rocky and I arrived to take one for the team and give y'all the scoop (it's a dirty job, but someone has to do it).

We were instantly greeted by our waiter, *Franco Iemmo*. Pure Italiano! Hugs and kisses were exchanged all around and I felt like had been transported to Tuscany. Franco is the man. When he pours the wine (a fantastic Bran Caia from Toscana), he does this hand flip 360 with the wine in the glass without spilling a drop: Very impressive. That was just the beginning. Let's start with the appetizers:

We were all starving so we ordered everything: **Le Cozze o Le Vongole** (mussels' sautéed in fresh garlic and olive oil with a white wine sauce). Mussels typically are not my thing, but I do my job. They were not fishy



at all, but very tender and succulent. Next up was the **Calamari Fritti**: Crunchy and moist in all the right places. Ah, then my absolute favorite: **Bruschetta**. Oh mio Dio!! Tomatoes, onion, garlic, olive oil and basil on grilled home made Italian bread. That Bruschetta deserves a moment of silence. Lastly, we had the **Antipasto**, which was a combination of Prosciutto, salami asiago cheese, green olives and giardiniera and served with olive oil. Delish. However, watch out for those veggies – they are

drizzled with some pepper sauce that will light up your taste buds!



As we were happily rubbing our bellies, we prepared for the entrees. We started with the **Risotta la pescatore**.

Mussels, calamari, shrimp and clams with a fantastic white wine sauce. Add some creamy basil and finish with a nutty aftertaste. Again, mussels are not my thing, but I somehow managed to scrape the bowl with my bread. Naturally, I picked off of everyone else's plates too! Wen ordered a **Manzo imbottito**, a pork chop stuffed with bacon and Gorgonzola cheese with a veggie



medley. Holy moly! Stuffed with bacon? I am in!! It was absolutely fantastic. Wen is lucky I didn't grab the whole plate and run!

I then started picking off Rick's plate which was **Pollo Hawaiano**, a chicken breast with a mixture of pineapple, ham and peanuts mixed in with a combination of marinara and alfredo sauces. Who would think to mix the two, but what a great idea! It was juicy and tender and cooked to absolute perfection!



Rocky's plate was open for dibs too. She ordered the **Shrimp Scallop Porto Fino**, a combination of scrumptious and a fantasy land with cherry tomatoes in an amazing marinara sauce that enticed me to create a



diversion for Rocky so I could take more off her plate without her noticing.

Per favore Franco potrebbe avere un'altra bottiglia? (Please Franco, may I have another



bottle?) What's up for round three (I told you we were starving!) So: **Pizza**. Yes please!!! We started with the **Margherita**. A thin crusted yummy decorated with tomato sauce with fresh buffalo mozzarella and basil! Superba! Pizza part two was a seafood pizza which combined mussels, calamari, clams and crab meat. It was a perfect combination of seafoods that made you want another slice regardless of whether you can fit it in you or no.

At this point we were all starting to slow down. We needed to take a break from stuffing our faces, so I took this opportunity to sit down with **Chef Gary Langevin**, the Executive Chef and Director of Operations of our La Dolce Vita as well as the one in Wilmington and Savannah, which are known as Little Italy. I had heard him and Franco letting the Italian fly (which is so cool by the way) I didn't really know what I was getting into. Legitimate, fun and dedicated is the best way for me to describe Chef Gary.

Born in Toms River, New Jersey (what?), Chef Gary (who wasn't called that then) moved to Naples, Italy when he was two. Mom owned a restaurant and by the time Gary was 9 years old, he was washing dishes next to his 8 year old sister. His favorite dish was Spaghetti Carbanarra. He kept begging Grandma to make it. Grandma handed him a spoon and a pan and told him to make it himself. So it begins ...

At 18, Gary moved back to the U.S. and settled in Charleston, SC, where he opened his first restaurant, the La Fontana. Due to his diligence and perseverance, he soon opened another restaurant and began looking around for other options and opportunities. Success came quickly and it is due to hard work, looking for the best product (nothing but local fresh vegetables and food will work) and giving back to the community. "When you come to our house, we feed you up." No kidding. I patted my belly and went back to the table for dessert.



Oh my goodness. Dessert! Franco, si per favore!!! We started with the **Cannoli**, a vanilla custard and chocolate ganache. Crunchy outside and yummy creamy inside with little bits of chocolate everywhere. We followed that with the **Tiramisu** which was so damn good Rick threatened to stab me with his fork if I didn't stay away. And then ... my favorite ... the **Lemoncello Cake**. Holy cannoli!!! Lemon layer cake with mascarpone cheese filling and shaved white chocolate on top! I stabbed Rick with my fork to make him get away. Mine! Mine! Mine!!!

What a terrific treat the entire evening was! Great food and great friends in an atmosphere that is just very warm and welcoming! We dined in the sports bar (second floor) due to a banquet being held on the third floor. I asked Gary about his ideas for the floors and he has big plans! The second floor will maintain the sports bar theme and will be welcome to all that are flip flopping off the beach for a bite to eat and a bottle to drink. The third floor is banquets only right now, but there are plans to make it an upscale dining area for those on their first date, anniversary, birthday, or anyone who wants that extra something special night out. With one of the best views on the entire island and superb food to back it up, La Dolce Vita is a must go to! Whether you are wearing your flops and tank top or a tie, you are benvenuti come in famiglia!!!!

**La Dolce** is open 7 days a week from 11 A.M. to a minimum of 10:00 P.M. They do take out as well. All Tybee locals receive a discount! Call 912-786-5606. With an A Team of Heather Perez, the Owner, and Chris McGary, the General Manager, all the restaurants are one fluid flowing machine! Eat well my friends!



# Bartender of the MONTH

By Alaina Loughridge

Well it's about damn time I got around to the man: **David Jones** from *The Quarter Bar* is our New Year's Bartender of the Month! David is an excellent bartender: Quick. You ain't going to be thirsty for more than 15 seconds when he's behind the bar. David is quick to serve and quick to laugh.



Born in Greensboro, Georgia, David's goals were to graduate high school and join the military. Anticipating a military career, he began at North Georgia College, then transferred to Georgia College in Milledgeville. Then he joined a fraternity. Oops. Moving right along... David bounced around from being a realtor (can you imagine him

showing you a house? Ha ha), to collecting for a finance company. One massive heart break later, he moved to Honolulu, HI (furthest point away. Amen, brother) and started bartending at Studebaker's, a huge night club. Welcome to the world!!!

Just over two years later, it was time to move back home to be closer to the family. Picking up where he left off working for a finance company, he got an opportunity to open an office in Savannah. Well, Tybee crooked her crooked little finger and David ran to the beach. After tiring of finance, let's get back to that whole bar thang. He worked at a couple of different places, including the DeSoto and Spanky's, before finally resettling into his true home The Quarter Bar. With two beautiful children, Will and Donna, and a stunning, young wife, David has got it all. Naturally, I had to ask David the **Three Most Important Questions:**

**Tybee Life:** Since 1994

**Passion:** Family

**When he grows up:** "A Kept Man"

David's go to drink is called "The Jones'er" and has so much rum in it, your liver is going to go to the Caribbean without you. You won't care. I know I didn't. It called me later and picked me up off the gravel in the parking lot. Ah, good times with David Jones at The Quarter Bar!!! Stop by and get your fix on!

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# Tybee Memories from the Fantastic 50s

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

The author of this article experienced the 50s at Tybee firsthand. I lived it with all its glitter, long-finned Packards, Woody station wagons and doo-wop tunes. Man, was I ever “hip” and “super peachy keen!” Big hair and all.

We had our radios tuned to Bill Haley and the Comets, and Elvis stole our hearts with You Ain’t Nuttin’ but a Hound Dog. Pat Boone had us swooning to Love Letters in the Sand and under the Tybrisa Pavilion we drew love notes in the wet sand to our cute boyfriends before the tide washed them away. Julian Sipple said, “Every few minutes, WAPE radio played a “turn tone” ...a ding or bleep...to remind sun bathers to roll over so they would get an even tan.”



*After roller skating on the pavilion, we cooled down under the salty ocean spray from the waves on the pier.*

Willie Haar owned the Novelty Bar on 16th Street (now Tybrisa St.). Scant attention was paid to the drinking age limit. “Tybee was cool like that...laid back. Beer was 20 cents a bottle or \$1 for a buzz,” said Billy McKenna. “Usually Chief McCutcheon gave us a ride home in his police car.”

In the 50s, boys wore Bass Weejun loafers, khaki pants, alligator belts and Oxford cloth shirts with button-down collars. Flat tops and crew cuts were cool.

Butler Avenue was just two lanes with a double row of Palmetto trees down the center. They were planted to honor members of Chatham County military who died in WWI. Maids pushed baby carriages, and children skipped happily along the white oyster shell path between the trees.

We had no idea of the impending doom, coming in the 70s, of this magnificent boulevard, to handle increased traffic. We never imagined, either, that our wide-open view of the Atlantic Ocean would one day be spoiled by rows of condominiums.

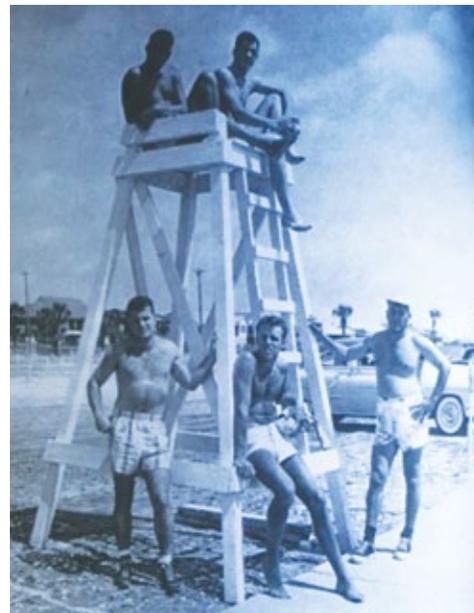


*What a terrible shame for the D.O.T. to erase Butler Ave., one of the finest boulevards in the world, to accommodate traffic.*

“My father, Ted Voight, bought Tybee Garage on Butler Ave. and 14th St. from Robert “Doc” and Marjorie Wall. The Superior Laundry rented part of it,” said Mildred Voight Jolley.

“When I was nine,” said Nick Cornish, “I asked Doc Wall for a job.” He said, “We don’t need any more grease monkeys around here. He gave me a rag and soap and I washed his Piper Cub airplane. As a reward, he took me up! We flew over Horse Pen Creek where my mom was hanging clothes in our back yard. He dipped the wing and I shouted, ‘Hey Mom!!!’ She jumped outta her shoes! Later, she nearly clobbered Doc Wall!”

Lifeguards on the Strand kept a watchful eye on heads bobbing in the foaming breakers. Maybe a cute girl needed a little assistance to get back onto her slippery rubber raft!



*Top, L to R: Herbie Miller and Curtis Carver. Bottom: George “Shady Sham the Umbrella Man” Killoran, and two more unnamed.*

Events were happening elsewhere in the real world, some good some bad, but we didn’t care. The skies at Tybee were always blue!



# Main Street MUSINGS

## Cheers to a Happy, Healthy, Tybee New Year!

Another holiday season has flown by, leaving us with wonderful memories of Tybee friends, family, and festivities. From the amazing outpouring of donations for the *Community of Giving* groups; to parades by day, night, and water; to island-wide decorations and lights, Tybee showed once again what a remarkable place it is to live, work, play, and visit! **Thank you to those that helped make Tybee for the Holidays** another successful month in which to experience Tybee in a different “light.”

*Lights on for Tybee* really “shined” this year with help from Mayor ProTem



Wanda Doyle, who helped procure this year’s Christmas tree. This was the biggest one to date, which necessitated the move from the roundabout to a more securable location by the 16th Street crossover. Students from Tybee Island Maritime Academy (TIMA) helped decorate the tree with hand-made ornaments under the talented instruction of TIMA art teacher Anna Lee, along with a variety of other island and beach-themed decorations. The towering 20’ tree could be seen all the way from Butler Avenue! Following a spirited count-down, two Tybee children helped light the beautiful tree while various Tybrisa merchants provided complimentary refreshments from cookies to cocoa, and a variety of talented performers warmed up the celebration attendees before Mr. and Mrs. Claus arrived to the delight of young and old alike. The *Tybee Island Christmas Parade* continued the holiday traditions with numerous festive participants leading Mr. & Mrs.

Claus to the Gym for activities with the YMCA and picture taking, while onlookers lined the parade route from downtown Tybee to 5th Street.

Throughout the month’s celebration, donations were collected at many locations island-wide for Rising TYde Community Food Pantry, the Animal Shelter and the Children’s Hospital at Memorial. An overwhelming amount of donations, from food items, to animal necessities, to toys, were collected to help brighten the season for others. Each organization is appreciative of the huge hearts that make up our small barrier island.

Thank you also for shopping locally this season! We are extremely fortunate to benefit from the many Tybee businesses that provide services, goods, and amazing meals for our community and its numerous visitors. We celebrated *Small Business Saturday* on November 28, with participating businesses offering additional specials, parking passes for the day and re-usable tote bags. 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 grow in popularity. 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.

Many activities are coming up this year. The third annual **MLK Parade and Human Rights Celebration** will take place on Saturday, January 9, and Tybee Arts Association will be hosting a three-day landscape painting seminar with Kentucky artist Bill Fletcher from Tuesday, January 26 through Thursday, January 28. Then, of course **Mardi Gras** will be a joyous occasion followed by the **Critz Tybee Run Fest** weekend. That’s right, the *Run Fest* takes place the first weekend of February and runners will be opting to participate in multiple races beginning Friday evening through Saturday. Please visit [www.critztybeerun.com](http://www.critztybeerun.com) for route information.

All of this will lead us into springtime for the annual *Irish Heritage Parade* and even more Tybee traditions – i.e. *Beach Bum*, *Movies in the Park*, etc. Plus, some new memorable activities are in the works for the community, businesses, and visitors. Stay tuned!

Feel free to contact the Development Authority/Main Street Board of Directors or me 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, “Corri-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.tybeeislandmainstreet.com](http://www.tybeeislandmainstreet.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.

Here’s to you and keeping Tybee, Tybee!

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

# Foodie Finds

## BAKED OLIVES

By Rose Kunavich



### Mix Together:

½ cup flour

½ stick butter – softened

4 oz. cream cheese – softened

¼ cup Parmesan Cheese – grated

Mix and chill dough.

Wrap dough around green stuffed olives (dry olives well).

Chill.

Bake at 400 for 30 minutes.

Makes 20-24.



## TO BE OR NOT TO BE



It's January, so that means after 11 1/2 months of sitting on our asses, eating garbage and drinking booze, it's time for all of us out of shape slobs who lie to ourselves, to crowd the gyms. Yes, it's that time of year when the sloppies cramp the gyms for two weeks, trying to turn it all around and get into a figure that's not repugnant in a bikini. The guys hit the weight room to take up space and are basically ALWAYS in your way. There isn't ever a line at the squat rack, but it's always someone's "chest day" at the bench press. There are always the ladies who are slowly walking on the treadmills to get in shape. We always feel good and strong the first few days, but then after a few days, the soreness kicks in, and so does the quitter inside.

Jack LaLanne, Jane Fonda and all the Arnold Schwarzeneggers only have to put up with us for about two weeks. Three weeks into January and the gym pretty much looks the way it did back in December.

For those of you that stick it out through the pain and keep it up, kudos! I applaud you. You get the benefits of health and a hot body. Your loved ones appreciate that you're healthy and whoever you're "dating" will appreciate it too.

So this is my sloppy ass saying either stick it out through the pain and don't be a sissy, or you can stop lying to yourself and smoke, drink and eat whatever you want and just die happy!

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# WORKS IN PROGRESS

By Woody Hemphill

## Welcome to 2016

and thank you for making our first year of publication a success! Are you feeling 'cooped-up' with cabin fever? Are you yearning for that feeling of sand between your toes? This month may not be as conducive for beach gear but you only have ten short weeks until St. Patrick's Day! For those of you that are new to the island - Savannah, GA is the *Center of the Universe* every March 17. If you decide 10 weeks is too long to wait, you're in luck! Mardi Gras is right around the corner - unless you had a New Year's resolution to quit drinking. In that case, there are several realtors on the island, and you may need one of them soon enough.

As a kid, growing up near Augusta, GA, I considered January a metaphorical place you stop off on the side of the road when traveling with your parents. This month was a metaphorical 'gas station' located somewhere between Christmas - and Master's Week. Nondescript - like those miles between two places when you're on a trip you didn't plan, and so you just sit - and wait to arrive. That's the luxury of being young, I guess? In the years since, I've grown to understand and appreciate this time of year for the potential of new beginnings, fresh starts, and being open to new perspectives in order to find peace through reflection. As much as I love Tybee, this can be difficult as life is defined by calendars depicting arrival and departure dates and clocks revealing check-in/out times. Time with loved ones and longevity can be as fleeting as the sand on the north end of the island.

It seems appropriate after a season of giving thanks & receiving that we're brought full circle. January provides ample opportunity to 'look into the mirror' - a time for nurturing new ideas, contemplating who we are, what we are about, what we stand for, and where we want to go, while navigating the 'Sea of Life.' A time for you to take a personal inventory of your life, stare into the fathoms of your soul, and become your own 'captain.' A time for acknowledgement, recognizing potential, and celebrating a spirit of rebirth, renewal... it just so happens that this is also Tybee's specialty. This place has made an art form from rallying around a need and assisting collectively, as well as sharing in the joy of individual successes, collectively. Tybee folks understand that the tide rolls in and the tide rolls out.

It's this transcendent sort of potential met with reinforcement that makes this time on Tybee so important. Just keep this in mind

as you seek to become a better you, that you are the Captain. If you are trying to quit smoking - frequent a non-smoking place, or hang out with non-smoking friends to avoid the 'triggers.' If trying to curb your intake of calories, or spirits, in general - maybe cooking at home or developing a new hobby is in your best interest. It's all about 'reinforcement' folks! As my grandmother would say, "If you always do what you've always done, you'll always get what you've always had." This is your chance to hang out with old friends, or make new ones.

Why do we go through the motions of setting our goals each year to become more proficient people by exercising more, eating less/better, or resolving to cease other activities altogether in order to have a better lifestyle? When we are young, this practice seems akin to Charlie Brown trying to kick the football held by Lucy Van Pelt. Great anticipation followed by self-psyche build-up, only to be humiliated and crushed again and again... As we grow older and wiser, we become acquainted with the reason - **Change Is Constant**. So, whether you are a reformed smoker, or you're trying to quit for the first time, if you are a chronic dieter, or you're trying to put on weight - take it from this frequent walker with a penchant for Beer, Doritos, & Lemonheads: Change is difficult, but it's difficult because it's worth it!

So this year, let's be a little easier on ourselves as we strive to become better. After all, just as those pounds fade away, like the sands of our beaches, we are all **Works in Progress**.

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

**Bernie's Oyster House** - Bernie's Mason Jar Bloody Mary, 7 Draft Taps to choose from, Home of the "Pop Rock Jello Shots," Drink Specials/Daily Specials, Happy Hour Monday thru Thursday 4-7pm, Late Night Kitchen Friday and Saturday, Outdoor patio, with Billiards and 65" HD TV, Live music Friday & Saturday. Check us out! 13 Tybrisa St.

**Bubba Gumbo's** - Happy Hour 4-6pm daily, \$1.50 off beer. 3 Old Hwy 80.

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

**Fannie's on the Beach** - Live music on weekends. Sunday Brunch Specials. 1613 Strand Ave.

**Nickie's 1971 Bar and Grill** -Happy Hour Monday thru Friday 11am-7pm. 9 Ball Pool Tournament Sunday 7pm, Texas Hold Em Monday and Tuesday 8pm, 8 Ball Pool Tournament Thursday 7pm, Hell Yeah Trivia Thursday 8pm, Live Band Friday and Saturday 9pm-1am. 1513 Butler Ave.

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**Wind Rose Café** - Happy Hour Monday thru Friday 4-7pm. Daily Lunch Specials. 19 Tybrisa St.

# CONCERT CALENDAR

- 1/1 - 1/2 **Perpetual Groove** - Terminal West at King Plow - Atlanta
- 1/12 - 1/13 **Gregg Allman** - Grand Opera House - Macon
- 1/12 **Lettuce** - The Music Farm - Charleston
- 1/14 **Jackson Browne Solo Acoustic Tour** - Johnny Mercer Theatre - Savannah
- 1/14 - 1/15 **Railroad Earth** - Variety Playhouse - Atlanta
- 1/15 **Keller Williams** - Southbound Brewing Co. - Savannah
- 1/19 **Tedeschi Trucks Band** - The Bell Auditorium - Augusta
- 1/20 **Galactic** - Freebird Live - Jacksonville
- 1/20 **Madonna** - Phillips Arena - Atlanta
- 1/21 **The Four Tops w/The Temptations** - Florida Theatre - Jacksonville
- 1/22 **Gregg Allman** - Grand Opera House - Macon
- 1/23 **Justin Moore w/Montgomery Gentry** - Glynn County Football Stadium - Brunswick
- 1/25 **Tool w/Primus, 3Teeth** - Infinite Energy Center - Duluth
- 1/26 **Arlo Guthrie** - Charleston Music Hall - Charleston
- 1/28 **Patti LaBelle** - Moran Theatre - Jacksonville
- 1/30 **Carrie Underwood** - Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena - Jacksonville
- 1/30 **Papadosio, The Mantras** - Mavericks At The Landing - Jacksonville
- 1/31 **Naughty By Nature** - The Masquerade (Purgatory) - Atlanta
- 2/6 **Diana Ross** - Johnny Mercer Theater - Savannah
- 2/9 - 2/10 **Widespread Panic** - Classic Center - Athens
- 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 **Umphey'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
- 3/10 **Merle Haggard** - Johnny Mercer Theatre - Savannah
- 3/10 - 3/12 **Savannah Stopover** - Various Venues - Savannah
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# Life's a Beach Events

## What's happening in January

By Mom

1-1 **HAPPY NEW YEAR TYBEE!!!** Wishing everyone the best year ever!

1-1 **Polar Plunge** 11am at Pier & Pavilion. Don't miss out on the Gang of Goofs contest prior to the Plunge which is at noon. You can register for the Plunge and/or Gang of Goofs contest at the Roundabout or go online (avoid the crowds) and register thru [www.TybeePostTheater.org](http://www.TybeePostTheater.org). Funds will benefit the Tybee Post Theater.

1-1 **Community of Caring** This is the last day of this event. Start your year right by helping others with donations to Rising Tyde Community Food Pantry, Next Generation (MUMC- Children's Hospital), and Tybee's Animal Shelter. For more info as to drop off locations and more, go to [www.tybeefortheholidays.com](http://www.tybeefortheholidays.com).

1-5 **Inauguration Ceremony** 7-8pm at the Public Safety Building. Contact Jan LeViner at 912-472-5080 for more info.

1-9 **3rd Annual Tybee MLK Jr. Parade & Human Rights Celebration** 2-4pm with parade route from 16th St. at the Walter Parker Pier to Old School Cafeteria. Grand Marshall is Walter Parker. Program to include Student Essay Winners, Humanitarian Tybee Dreamer Award and Special Guests. Julia Pearce, event coordinator can be reached via [tybeemlk@gmail.com](mailto:tybeemlk@gmail.com).

1-26 thru 1-29 **Studio Landscape Painting** with Bill Fletcher 9:30am-4pm at Tybee Arts Association, #7 Cedarwood Ave. Email [tybeearts@gmail.com](mailto:tybeearts@gmail.com) for more info.

1-30 **Mardi Gras Tybee** 12-6pm Mardi Gras Fun will start at the Roundabout on Tybrisa St. Festivities include N'awlins Costume & Cocktail Kick Off Party, Mardi Gras Tybee Parade, & Mardi Gras Tybee Street Party, with free live entertainment provided by a Zydeco band, Cajun cuisine and more. For further info go online to [www.mardigrastybee.com](http://www.mardigrastybee.com).

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## Behind the Tape...

By Officer Marella Eaton

### Happy NEW YEAR!!

Another year has passed and our department keeps growing and doing wonderful things for the community. SPO Dascall implemented a Junior Academy for local youths interested in a future of law enforcement. The meetings were full of hands on action and the graduation was just as fun. We are looking forward to another one in the near future. Congratulations to all who participated!!

We want to introduce our newly hired officers to the TIPD family: Officer Victoria Baetten, Officer Ian Dauphinee and Officer Michael Lutz. We are lucky to have them and know they will love serving and protecting Tybee Island. We also want to recognize our jailers who just completed their certification at the CCSO - Jailer Ishmael Marshall, Jailer Jaborian Morman and Jailer John Price - Great job guys!

And another recognition to Sgt. Andy Capps who has done a great job as the supervisor for Beach Patrol as he heads towards retirement... That is a huge undertaking and you made our beach safe and enjoyable - Thank you for your service Sir, we will miss you.

If you notice that many of our officers have slimmed down it's because we have been participating in the Holiday Steps Challenge - our goal...? To beat the boots off of the Fire Department and have fun doing it. We are looking forward to the results.

**Reminder for our next VIP meeting - January 25th at 11 am~cafeteria.**

**If you witness a crime or have crime tips call 912-786-5600 or Crimestoppers 912-234-2020 24 hours a day every day.**

# WHAT TO DO FOR KIDS AND YOU!

By Elizabeth Jones

## Activities for JANUARY!

We welcome the year 2016 this month and know that it will bring another four seasons of fun and exciting things to do!

### FEATURED ACTIVITY FOR JANUARY:

16th Annual Polar Bear Plunge  
January 1st at 12pm

This event is unlike anything else you will do on Tybee Island this year, and fun for the whole family. Why not start off the New Year on Tybee's beach, taking a dip in the Atlantic Ocean? This year isn't looking too bad so far with a high of 67°F and low of 45°F. The average sea water temperature on Tybee Island in January is 57.9°F, with the highest being 61°F.

Register at [www.PolarBearPlunge.com](http://www.PolarBearPlunge.com).  
Adults: \$25, Kids under 12: \$15



## WINTER Events

**Looking for something to do this January? Then Check out the Tybee Island YMCA and Rec. Dept.**

### Parent's Night Out Childcare

Friday, January 8, 2016 6-9pm

Cost: \$15 for member  
\$20 non-member  
20% second child

Ages 4-12 (must be potty trained)



### Family Skate Night

Friday, January 15, 2016

6pm-8pm

Cost: \$4 per skater (includes skates)

### Adult Self-Defense Class

Saturday, January 16, 2016

9:30-1pm

Cost: \$15 per person

### Youth Basketball Games start January 9th!

Join us in the gymnasium as we cheer on Team Tybee!!!

### Come and play some pick-up volleyball

on Mondays from 7-9pm

### Mardi Gras on Tybee January 30th

A family friendly Mardi Gras parade will begin at Memorial Park at 2pm and make its way down Butler Avenue to Tybrisa Street.

### Critz Run

This event is February 5-6th but you'll want to register ahead of time. Events include: Basil's Kiddie Run and North Beach Grill 5K Friday night at 6:00pm at the Lighthouse. And on Saturday: Optim Orthopedics 10K at 7:00am  
CHU'S Half Marathon at 8:30am  
Lighthouse Pizza 2.8 Mile Beach Run at 12:00pm  
YMCA 1 Mile Run at 1:00pm

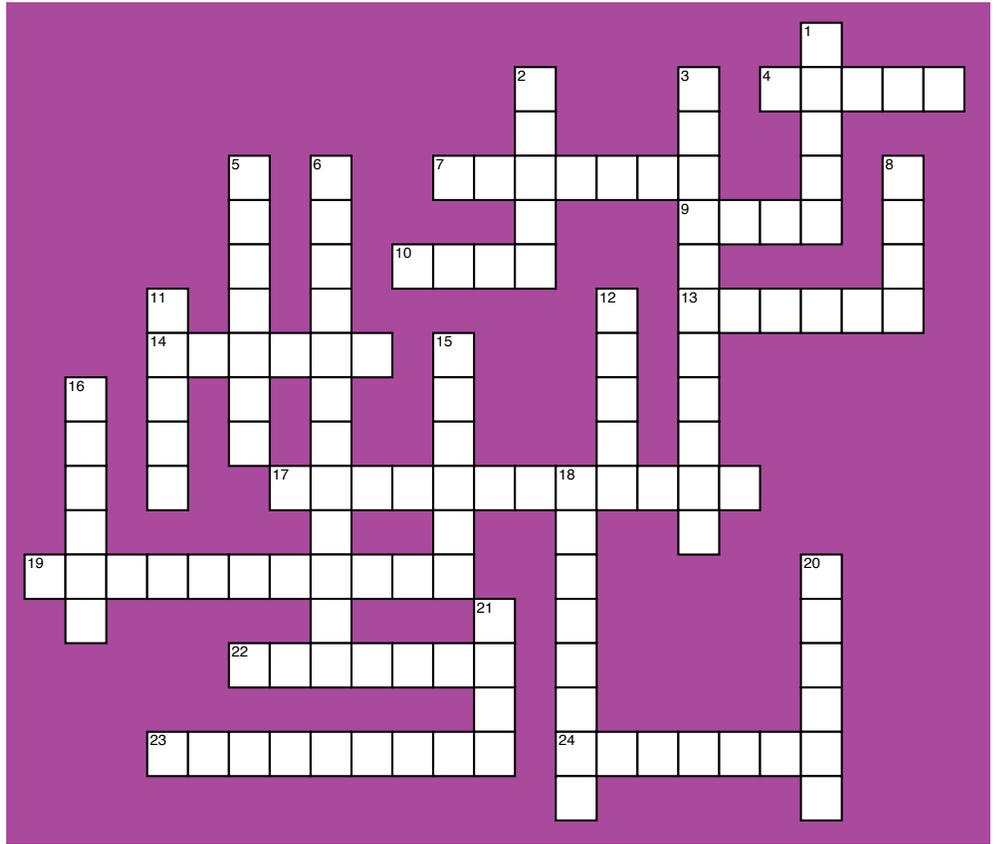
# Cross Word

## ACROSS

- 4 Bartender of the Month
- 7 Bizz Buzz girl
- 9 Type of mystery in Book Review
- 10 Johnny writes about this kind of life
- 13 Woody says this is constant
- 14 Foodie Finds ingredient
- 17 Grand Marshall of MLK Parade
- 19 Promises made but hard to keep
- 22 1st month
- 23 Parade and street party (2 wds.)
- 24 Captain Nick says this kind of fishing will be toughest of all in January

## DOWN

- 1 \_\_\_\_ New Year!
- 2 \_\_\_\_ in Progress
- 3 12th edition of this fabulous magazine
- 5 Type of restaurant in Food Spy
- 6 Locals here are offered this card
- 8 Hollie is "Marking" this
- 11 Surfers call this beach "The Washout"
- 12 Plunge on Tybee
- 15 Taxi Tales subject
- 16 Avenue that was lined with Palmetto Trees
- 18 Depression that hits Patrick after Football season
- 20 Season
- 21 Crowded places in Jan, empty in February



Created by Margie McLellan

# Word Search



- |              |            |               |
|--------------|------------|---------------|
| APPRECIATION | FOLLY      | OLIVES        |
| ATHLETIC     | GYMS       | POLAR         |
| BEACHCOMBER  | HAPPY      | RESOLUTIONS   |
| BUGS         | INSHORE    | TIME          |
| BUTLER       | ITALIAN    | WALTER PARKER |
| CHANGE       | JANUARY    | WAVERS        |
| COZY         | MARANDA    | WINTER        |
| DAVID        | MARDI GRAS | WORKS         |

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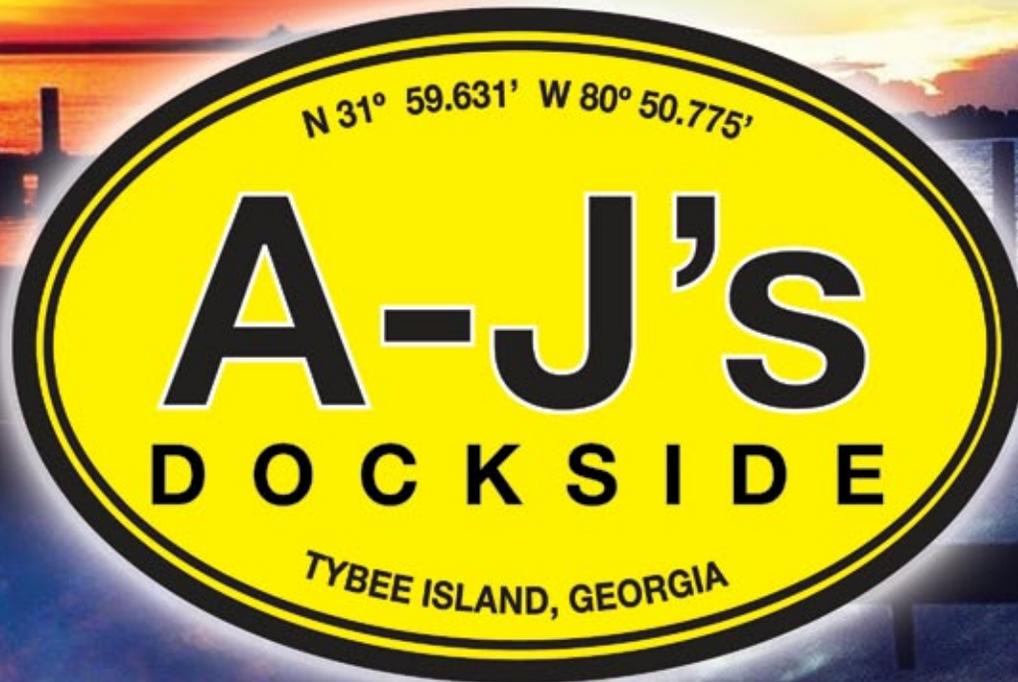
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