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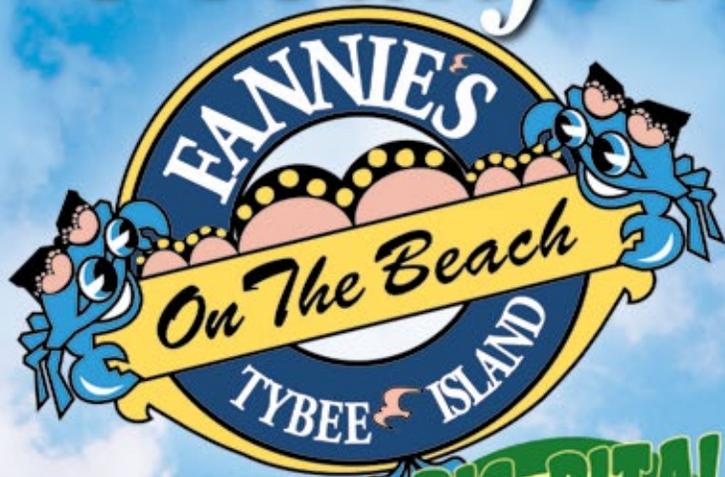
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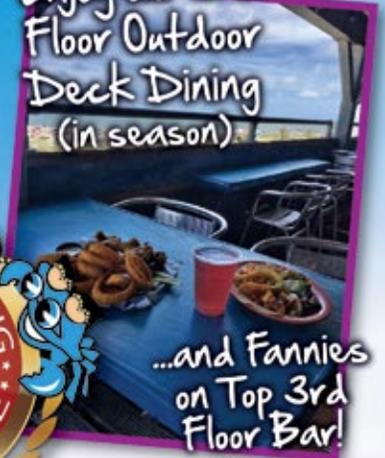


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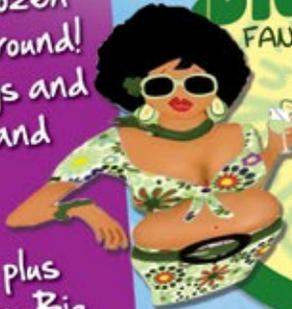
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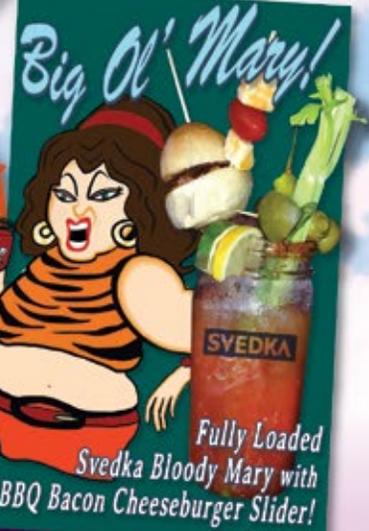
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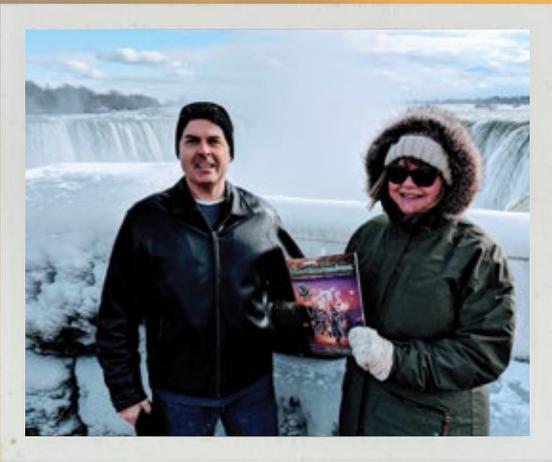
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The Tybee Market IGA Deli is serving up good eats



From MS...ALAIN...EOUS

Yippee!!!! The Beachcomber is back, y'all!!! These last two months have not been what any of us anticipated. Ever. Although everyone has their opinion on the early opening compared to the rest of the country, here we are and we are going to do the best we can to get through it safely and most definitely with a sense of humor! Even the Bubonic Plague ended at some point! We can do this Tybee!

So, here is the bad news: The Easter Egg Hunt and the Third Annual Cocktail Contest have both been canceled. I know. It broke my heart too! But that just means y'all will really be ready come 2021!

The good news is that we have a brand spanking new contest, courtesy of our very own **Fish Whisperer - Captain Nick Shreves of Big Fish Charters**. He has just bought a new boat and he wants us to name it!!! Come up with something fun and cool, while keeping in mind this is a family friendly situation. My personal entry was "The Salty Bitch" and Nick shut me down. Email or text your entries to me by June 15 to info@tybeebeachcomber.com or (912) 675-5261. The winner will receive something fabulous that I haven't figured out yet, but I will by the time I need to. It's gonna be great!

Moving along to **Jen Knox**, owner of *The Sand Bar*. I know a lot of people have gone above and beyond to help others during this situation and if I had to name them all, it would be pages upon pages. Jen though, really shines. She took all of the dollar bills off of her walls (over \$3,500) and donated them to her staff and Tybee's people. Her generosity garnered international attention that brought even more donated funds to Tybee to distribute among the food/bar industry folks. This is why Tybee will survive no matter what. It's because of this island's residents and the people that love this little rock and can't even imagine being anywhere else on the planet. A shout out to Jen and to every single person that did their thing.

On we go to the **Traveling Beachcomber!!!** June's winners are **Tyler and Tracey Randolph** freezing their butts off at Niagara Falls and then **Cherrie Kauffmann** looking very wet at Niagara Falls! I wonder if y'all walked by each other? Both pictures are great and thank y'all for taking that for the team!!! Let's all get together at A-J's and you can buy me dinner!!!

Now, go wash your hands, make me a cocktail and let's get back to a fun and entertaining read ... It's good to be back, y'all!



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BAD ADVICE FROM A FLOR-IDIOT

By Jimmy Prosser

I was lying in bed, and I said to myself, “Daniel (when I talk to myself I refer to myself as Daniel), what an honor it is to constantly be able to bequeath all my wisdom and knowledge to the mundane.” (In this scenario you the reader are the mundane.) I am such a good person for scrupulously guiding you all in life and ensuring each and every one of you triumph and are constantly the best version of yourself (though you’ll never be quiet as spectacular as I). So this month I want to change things up a bit and teach you how you can be more like me (I know the thought of being me turns you on - you dirty little vixen).

Step one: Get a good night’s sleep – I never get one, so if you do, stop it, stop it right now.

Step two: Eat a well-balanced meal – This is something I need to google, I don’t actually know what that means but I have cookies in the pantry, so let’s start there.

Once you have cookies, and a favorite brand of pop (yeah it’s pop you little bitches), I recommend feeding the cats, getting on the couch, and checking tinder to see if anyone has fallen in love with you (Surprise! They haven’t).

After you’ve established you’ll probably die alone and no one will notice for two or three days, pull a blanket over your head and hide from the world for forty five minutes to eight hours. You truly cannot over-hide from the world.

Now that you’ve wasted a large chunk of your day, go get lunch no matter what time it is, and refer to the meal as lunch. I’m eating chips and salsa. Mmm. So good.

If you truly want to embrace my amazing lifestyle, head to the grocery store even though you have hoarded so much food you keep some in the bathroom closet. Also, regale at the fact you have an actual closet in the bathroom.

Step 14: The internet, what a crazy invention am I right? You should dedicate a large chunk of your time to staring at it. Did you know Goóglé is French, well French Canadian for “Wisdom Soup.” No, I made that up. Sounds good though.

Step 102: Do a lot of making up of crap. I do and I turned out fabulous. So fabulous in fact, that I write for a magazine, and I have a fan base, and an article on how to be like me. You all make me so proud to be your idol.



ADVENTURES IN SEARCHING

By Jem

I was given a gift that has taken me down many roads. Luckily, I didn't have to travel, thanks to computers, family search organizations, DNA, and a lot of help! I was adopted at birth and my records were sealed. It can be very frustrating to adoptees to get their birth records open. Not to mention it requires a lawyer, court filings, fees, and most of all, a compelling reason as to why the records should be open. I'm sure there are those that had valid reasons, along with the money, to fund it all. For me, I just wanted to know my history. If you love a mystery, you will not find more entertainment of highs, lows, frustration, and every emotion you can possibly think of in doing a search for family.

Starting with the gift of DNA, I sent it along to one of the many organizations set up to do the lab. They also get you started on family history. I actually didn't think of family connections so much as to what my blood lines would be. We're all a combination of various countries. It was not a surprise to me to see English. I was tickled to see a percentage of Irish and Scottish though!

The big surprise was when list after list of people showed up on DNA connections! Who are these people? How am I connected? It was a shock and required a libation or two to mull it all over. What to do with all this information? Was it even possible to find birth connected family? WOW!

Time for a warning before we start into this. Some people do not want to be found. I know it doesn't make sense when they have done the DNA test. Just be prepared for the possibility that they may not respond, although I did find that one of the DNA cousins had passed away. Along with that, you should be tech smart, and love social media. Those are major downfalls for me. But, if you are very lucky, as I was, there is hope for you. More on lucky later in this story.

Okay, time to be brave and delve into the unknown. I sent a message to a person who was first on my list as a 1st cousin. Talk about nervous. I didn't know what to expect. In an OCD manner, I kept checking my email for a notice from the family organization. He responded and gave me his email so we could correspond easier. He put me in contact with another listed cousin that does most of the family history. It was an awesome experience to feel that I have ties to a birth family. Fortunately, the cousins are awesome to know people.

The story doesn't stop there. The family historian put me on a track to an uncle of his, indicating he could be my father. Apparently, the uncle was well known for his philandering ways. It was quite possible that he could be my father. This uncle was in the right place and time based on my history. But after reaching out to a 2nd cousin, his daughter, it just didn't add up, as she was several names down my list. Back to square one.

I found that the DNA list, at least in my case, really spreads out all the connecting families. When you start thinking of grandparents, moms and dads, siblings, marriages, children and all, it can be overwhelming. So I didn't see some of the obvious clues. And that is when I got lucky.

Lucky came in the form of a cousin (Lucky is a good name for her), who was searching for family history on my adopted family side. I didn't think I would have much as history on mom's side because it was sketchy. There were unmarked pictures though that I sent to her. Lucky was so happy to find family photos and she knew most of who they were. With that we started a friendship based on family history and how the searching can be fun. She is knowledgeable and unafraid of tech and social media. Lucky very willingly stepped in and said, "I will help you look." Wherever the search takes us, I owe to Lucky. I couldn't have done this without her.

Here are some of the lessons I learned from Lucky. Look at all the connecting families. Search the family trees to see how they line out. Create and play with your own DNA tree. Almost immediately, Lucky found a major connection. My grandparents. WHAT? HOW? I had overlooked the obvious. Never forget that people die, divorce, and maybe commit bigamy. You just never know. As it turns out, my first contact, a first cousin, is more likely to be a half-uncle. His dad, my grandfather, was married at least 3 times. His first wife died. He then married my grandmother. From that union, they had 2 girls. Later they divorced, and on his 3rd marriage, my 1st cousin/half-uncle was born.

It was fairly easy to figure out which one of the girls is my mother. Yes, I used current and not past tense. Both girls are still alive! If you know me, I'm no spring chicken. We ruled out the one as she had a child 3 months after I was born. Regardless of that, neither wish to discuss their pasts, not even a whisper.

You might think it's the end of the story. Nope, not yet. Who's Your Daddy? Contact with half uncle and family historian tells us who the father might be based on the potential mother's marriages. So, Lucky is playing with the DNA trees and more information is being gathered.

Another discovery was made of a half or full brother (depending on the father). It was disappointing to find that he passed away about 5 years ago. Sadly, his wife is not interested in discussing the past. Why? I can't even guess.

Even with that setback, it continues to be a source of adventure in trying to put all the pieces together. I have met people from Michigan, Arizona, California, Missouri, and Tennessee. It was also amazing to find out how many other adoptees were on my list. It was a great experience to have helped one of the adoptees verify who her father was. I have heard many stories, and dark family secrets. As my granddaughter Kate, once said, "Everyone has a story."

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- Stroll through our Park of 7 Flags (at the end of Hwy. 80)
- Enjoy people watching (we have a lot of characters here)
- Relax!!
- Remember to leave only your footprints

Behind the Tape...

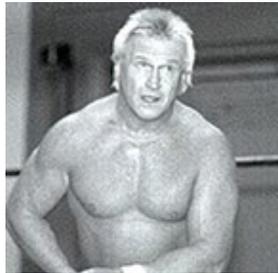
By Sgt. Richard Dascall



Hey Everybody! I know there's a large section this month about the officers, but I wanted to tell you about one of the employees who recently left the department.

I'm sure most of you know our Animal Control Officer, Jerry Oates. After eight years with the Tybee Island Police Department, Jerry is moving on to bigger and better opportunities. If you've ever had the pleasure of meeting Jerry, then you know he has a personality bigger than life and has never met a stranger. What you may not have known is before coming to work with us, Jerry spent his adult life as a professional wrestler and gym owner. Before he left I wanted to sit down with him and talk to him about all of the things he's done. I'm going to pass along what I learned to all of you now.

Jerry started wrestling when he was 22 years old. He got into wrestling because his brother-in-law, Dick Steinborn, was a wrestler. He had his first match in March of 1970. The last match he wrestled was in March of 2010. Jerry said he did that match so he could say he wrestled in five decades and anyone out there could fact check it. His last match was a six man tag team where he wrestled with his son, Bo Oates, his brother, Ted Oates, Ted Allen, Vordell Walker, and Greg Brown. The match was announced by Dan Masters. If you run into Jerry and ask him about Dan Masters he'll tell you stories for hours about how Dan got arrested selling fake Rolex's and used a fake press pass to get onto the sidelines of a Georgia-Florida game.



His wrestling career took him all across the country and overseas to Japan, South Korea, The United Arab Emirates, Puerto Rico, and more locally, Canada. During his wrestling time he racked up a list of titles including NWA Tag Team Titles and an NWA Heavyweight Title. He wrestled with some of the biggest names in the business, including Abdullah the Butcher, Eric Watts, and Chris Stevens.

He told me about how he was wrestling in Texas when he had the opportunity to move to Oregon and wrestle there. He said once he had a start date, he picked up and moved within three weeks. I thought this was a quick move, but Jerry told me that was the name of the game.

He told me his secret to being able to move around so much and at a moment's notice was that his wife, Kathy, was the most supportive person in his life. He said she never once batted an eye when it was time to go somewhere and she understood life on the road. He credits this to her professional ice skating career before marrying him. As a professional ice skater, Kathy would travel the country for nine months out of the year.

In 1978, Jerry and his wife Kathy opened Oates Gym in Columbus, Ga. He ran the gym for 24 years where he trained bodybuilders, wrestlers, and promoted wrestling events. Professional athletes from across the world would come to train at the world famous Oates Gym.

In 2010, Jerry and Kathy moved to Savannah where Kathy was from. Jerry came to work for the Tybee Island Police Department in 2011. He quickly became well known in the community and made friends everywhere. Most mornings you would find Jerry and his crew at Sunrise having breakfast before the sun came up. He always went out his way to give fitness tips and advice to any of the men and women at the department.

I asked Jerry how he enjoyed his time working at the police department. He said he had a blast and looked forward to showing up to work every day. His favorite event to work was Orange Crush, when he would be



driving a transport van moving prisoners from the streets to the jail. He said he loved the excitement and looked forward to it every year. After this, we got sidetracked for about an hour laughing and telling old war stories. His face lit up when he talked about driving the mule on the beach, with four of them joking around and going call to call. When he talked about the time during Beach Bum, he had to pick up a snake while he was driving the transport van. Jerry is scared to death of snakes. He said they put the snake in a bucket and when he got somewhere he could drop it off, he left the snake and the bucket and got out of there as quick as he could. Rumor is that snake is still somewhere off Chatham Ave.

When I asked Jerry what his best memory of the police department was, he told me it was the kindness that everyone showed him when his wife Kathy passed away after 46 years of marriage. Jerry said it was the hardest thing he ever had to deal with, but it meant a lot that everyone checked on him. He told me how one of his best friends at the department, Angie Anderson, has texted every day for the past 19 months checking on him. He said the comradery of the police department is what he will miss the most.

Now that his time at the police department is over, Jerry will be returning to his hometown of Columbus, Ga. Once he gets back there, we can all look forward to the Grand Reopening of the World Famous Oates Gym. It's been a pleasure for myself and all of us at the police department having been able to work with Jerry. I'll always remember the time spent joking around in the squad room, listening to stories from his wrestling days, or a group of us thirteen hours into a 4th of July shift, packed onto a side by side working the beach and singing 90s hip hop songs. We all appreciate our time working together and wish him the best of luck in the next chapter in his life.



Tybee Market IGA Deli

Oh, what would we do without **Mike Hosti** and his team at the **Tybee Market IGA**? Go hungry that's for Shure. I find myself visiting on multiple occasions on certain days, almost always with a pass by the Deli to see what kind of delectable treats are up for offer on any particular day. Wendy and the other friendly folks that run the Deli always have something delicious to offer around breakfast time and of course, the always crowd-pleasing lunch specials going on for lunchtime.

I find myself running in before work to grab one of their famous subs, or a couple of pieces of fried chicken or some of their homemade Pasta or Shrimp or Tuna salads, all made fresh in-house, some with family recipes that have been used for generations. No matter what I have it's always a treat and a super bang for the buck!

Wendy really spoiled Wen and I on this day and we got to feast on several tasty delights. First of all, the hot lunch special was **Meatloaf**. The king of comfort food, served with green beans, mashed potatoes and we had to add Mac n Cheese. Served up with tea and a roll for only \$6.99, it's one of the best Meat and two you can find on the island. The Meatloaf was tender and delicious, smothered in gravy just like Momma's. The green beans seasoned perfectly and the mashed potatoes rich and decadent. I can never pass up the macaroni and cheese when they have it, let me stress cheese, it's so cheesy and delicious you won't want to share. Wendy has a FB page that you can join, Tybee Market IGA Deli, where see posts the daily specials.

If you haven't heard how large and in charge the **IGA Sub** is by now then you definitely live on another planet. Whether It's the standard deli meats or the dollar upgrade to Boar's Head brand, it's always piled high with meat and toppings and I Double Dog Dare you to eat it in one sitting. We had the **Roast beef**, sliced fresh and mouthwateringly tender and delicious.

The selection of cold salads offered up on a daily basis are also something to pay attention to. From **Tuna and Chicken Salad**, to **Bacon Ranch Pasta Salad and Shrimp Salad**. Always fresh and tasty, The Shrimp Salad is always a scrumptious go-to, and I just recently discovered the **Bacon Ranch Pasta**, hooked! You can really taste the love that goes into every bite.

Who doesn't like fresh **Fried Chicken**? Offered up every day and hardly makes it through lunch time, it's that good. Fried up golden and crispy, with a super tasty breading bursting with flavor and always moist and delicious, plus it won't bust your wallet at all.

Lunch Starts at 11am until it's gone, and at these super affordable prices, it usually goes pretty quick. So stop by and say hello to the gang at the Tybee Market IGA Deli and pick up some tasty grub. These folks work hard to feed this island and then some, let's show 'em some Love!



QUARANTINE SURVIVAL TIPS

By Joey Hughes

Here are some miscellaneous ideas and methods for surviving quarantine:

1. Are you needing to call the government about your stimulus check but dreading the long hold times? Turn your dread into a drinking game! Every time the hold song begins again, take a sip.
2. Drive-by shots with your neighbors.
3. Need a reason to drink while binging Tiger King? Try a T.V. drinking game. Tape a medical mask to the center of the TV. Every time someone on the screen lines up with the mask to look like they are wearing it, take a sip.
4. Worried about gaining the quarantine 15? Ensure that you're getting the exercise you need while gyms are closed by ditching your remote. That way, you're activating the glutes and getting some cardio in every time you have to get up to change the channel.
5. Not all sports are canceled! See how long you can go laying out on the beach before a state trooper catches you! Bonus, when you do see the golf cart on the horizon, you get some great cardio while you're running like hell off the beach.
6. Beerlympics: tape an open beer to the inside of the garage door. As the garage door moves up and the beer pours out above you onto the garage floor, you have to follow the beer stream and try to get as much of it in your mouth as possible.
7. What you think you're going to do during quarantine: Catch up on emails, clean the house, do a workout video, complete that home project that you've been putting off. What you actually do during quarantine: Eat another bowl of ramen noodles and take your third nap of the day.
 
8. Perform surgery on fruit.
 
9. Do you wish that you could go back to the simpler times of no medical masks and toilet paper crazes? Transform yourself into George Washington.
 
10. Do your kids miss playing road trip games while quarantining? Just tell them to sit on the porch and count how many New York state license plates they see driving on Butler! Hopefully, the winner doesn't get Corona.
 
11. Missing your favorite Friday activity of getting dinner and seeing a show? Put glow sticks on your kids and let them loose. They let out energy and you get free entertainment.
 
12. Turn yourself into your favorite artwork!



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Beach Walks with Dr. Joe

By Dr. Joe Richardson

LITTLE PINK SEA CUCUMBERS

One of the interesting features of Tybee's marine biology is how some species appear in greater abundance than normally expected. I often use the terms "episodic" or "sporadic" to describe these events. Some winters, starfish are more abundant than usual, or particular seaweed species are more common. Some episodes are confined to the season when that animal normally occurs on Tybee. But other species just suddenly appear on Tybee in great number regardless of season.

One of the non-seasonal episodic animals on Tybee's beach is the Pale Sea Cucumber (although I usually call it "the little pink sea cucumber"). Most of the time, we don't see them on the beach; but when they do appear, they are here in large numbers. They are not a normal resident of our beach habitats, but rather live offshore in deeper water just under the sand. Probably what happens is that their offshore, deeper-water habitat gets disturbed by rough water and they get suspended into the water and eventually they wash up on the beach. Although somewhat frequently washed ashore, surprisingly they are not featured in most field guides of shoreline animals of the southeast coast (look for *Cucumaria pulcherrima* or *Pentamera pulcherrima*). When washed ashore, we will see them in the wet intertidal sand of flat sections of the beach or in shallow tide pools.

Pale Sea Cucumbers are only 1-2 inches long, pale pink, and have five double rows of short, orange tube feet (with suckers on the end) along their fragile body. They use the tube feet to attach to small shells for camouflage and to adhere onto surfaces. Generally, they are shaped like a tiny cucumber. But it can change its shape and size as it accumulates or releases water and contracts longitudinal and circular muscles, so it may be round/spherical or long and oval, and often it might be slightly curved.



To slowly move through the bottom, a Pale Sea Cucumber will constrict its circular muscles to form a distinct ring around its body near its posterior end, and then gradually move the constriction forward. This process pushes its anterior end forward.

With its body buried just under the sand, a Pale Sea Cucumber can extend a small ring of tentacles out of its anterior end for feeding. I'm not sure what it feeds on (deposits in the sandy bottom, or as a filter feeder of plankton in the water). And I have to be honest, I haven't been curious enough to do a gut dissection yet! One more thing that they (and other sea cucumbers) will do that is sort of interesting and a little gross is when irritated or threatened, it might eviscerate (throw up its insides); but it can regenerate them. I'm guessing that these little Pale Sea Cucumbers must not taste good because even the sea gulls and other shore birds don't seem to eat them even though they are sometimes laying there by the hundreds.

Dr. Joe Richardson (Ph.D. Marine Sciences) is a retired marine science professor with 40 years of research and teaching experience along GA, the southeastern coast and Bahamas. Besides research, he conducts Tybee Beach Ecology Trips (www.TybeeBeachEcology.com) and frequently posts pictures of their findings on his Tybee Beach Ecology Trips Facebook page.



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Rogue Waves

By Russell Robertson, CFP

TIME TO BAIL

Well... we knew we didn't have any kind of monopoly on rogue waves, but this one...wow. *Iceberg ahead, Captain.*

In early March, when stocks were down 15%, we wrote that if you were asking yourself "should I be selling stocks?" our answer was "yes." Apparently, nobody listened.

Shelter-in-place orders turned people to day trading in a big way. E*Trade, TD Ameritrade, and Charles Schwab all saw record new accounts in the first quarter of the year, with Schwab alone reporting 300,000 just in March. All 22 trading days in March were among Schwab's 30 most active days ever. For the new hundreds of thousands of you that will soon be asking "should I sell my stocks?" we will reiterate: yes.

The Fed may have removed the concept of risk/reward from the economy, but it still very much exists in the market. As of writing, the upside back to market highs is about 12%. On the downside, it's a 21% drop back to the March lows and probably 30% down to "bad case fair value." Not "worst case," just "bad case." That's not a tradeoff we find particularly compelling, especially with an economy that has sprung a serious leak.

The driving force behind our economy is consumption. We buy a lot of stuff. It makes GDP go up. It makes the stock market go up. And there is a lot of evidence to suggest that consumption will be depressed for a long while. First quarter GDP growth came in at -4.8%, with really only two weeks of virus impacts, so second quarter will be worse. There are whispers of -30% or lower.

In March and April, about 30 million people lost their jobs. That's close to twice as many jobs as were created in the last decade. The worst week of job loss during the Financial Crisis was 665,000. The worst week all-time? 695,000 back in 1982. We're at 5 million a week for six weeks, and we're not done yet.

Sure, states are starting to phase-in a reopening, but with what kind of restrictions? Can restaurants be profitable at 10 people per 500 sq. ft.? Can theaters be profitable with social distancing? Retailers with capacity constraints and increased servicing costs? Will people even show up? And for how long - does everything get shut down again for another two months if there's an outbreak in the fall?

The past decade has conditioned us that Fed stimulus programs make the stock market go up, and \$4T is a lot of stimulus. However, with the entire economy shut down, this \$4T isn't really a "stimulus" so much as a "bail out" that is keeping individuals and companies afloat. Afloat, but still taking on water.

Meanwhile, the bailing starts going away this summer. The federal unemployment expansion of \$600/week expires in August. The PPP loans become forgivable at the end of August, which means companies are free to fire employees in September and still keep the money. Currently, 7.5% of mortgages are in forbearance, with speculation that number could double or even triple. What happens there when government stops bailing? For reference, the peak of the subprime crisis saw 10% mortgage delinquency rates.

If you want to hit the panic button when stocks are down 15%, hit it. Down 15% is not a long-term low, and your allocation is clearly too risky for you to maintain a long-term investment discipline. You will save yourself and your portfolio a lot of pain by selling to the point where you're comfortable sleeping at night.

MEET THE TYBEE ISLAN

By Alaina Loughridge

I had a terrific opportunity to sit down with some of Tybee Island Police Department's finest folks and get some answers to Life's Most Important Questions and to give y'all a chance to get to know the people that protect our little rock, both from tourists and locals!

Here they are in no particular order and here's the questions they all answered in order:

1. Name
2. Rank
3. Where are you from?
4. Why did you become a Tybee Officer?
5. How long have you been a Tybee Officer?
6. What do you like best about your job?
7. What is your spirit animal?



Zach Jung

Corporal
Savannah, GA
To be a part of the largest community based police force in the area.
4 years
You always see something new
Panda Bear



Bryant Sims

Officer
Tampa, Florida
Laid back, family type department that cares about the officers.
2 years
Helping people and keeping the bad guys away.
A shark



John Paul Price

Sergeant
Tybee Island, GA
To help others.
5 years
Every day is different and working in the same department as my Grandfather is extra special. He was a police officer and the Chief.
Wolf



Charlene Nettles

Officer
DeFuniak Springs, Florida
I love the beach!! Also, during my time as a jailer with TIPD, the one thing I loved was the team work, love and support from everyone in the Department!
2 months
TIPD is very family oriented
Turtle



T. J. LeGuin

Sergeant
Middle GA
Family atmosphere not only in the department, but the whole island.
3.5 years
The people and my co-workers.
Turtle



Shaquille Jones

Patrol Officer
Valdosta, GA
Family oriented department and a great work atmosphere.
1.5 years
The freedom to work how I want to work and not be micro-managed.
Wolf (Per Google spirit animal quiz!)



Cheyenne Dickerson

Senior Patrol Officer
Savannah, GA and Bitburg, Germany
The biggest motivator for me personally was about "being the change you want to see." To make communities active, partners in security, crime fighting and well-being may require new strategies.
3 years
Showing a little compassion and empathy on a traffic stop or at a crash scene. Officers rarely forget that most of us took the job because we want to help others.
Alpha female wolf



Jessica Wright

Officer
Ohio
I worked for the Department as a clerk of the court. I enjoyed the legal side and wanted to give back to the department as well as the community.
2 1/2 years. Been with TIPD since 2013.
The community of Tybee and the people I get to work with every day.
Uni Kitty



Emory Randolph

Lieutenant
Waynesboro, GA
I've worked in a wide variety of environments in my career. The beach seemed like a new challenge.
10 years
The feeling that I'm making a positive difference in the world.
A shelter dog: Loyal, but ready to face any threat



D POLICE DEPARTMENT

**William Moseley**

Major - 2nd in Command
Tybee Island

To be able to make a difference in my home town community. Raised on Tybee!!

28 years

It is always something new. New people. New issues. New things to learn. New challenges. It is my home.

Wolf

**Erica Coreno**

Sergeant
San Bernardino, CA

Who doesn't want to work at the beach?

9 years

Interacting with the community. Small community where everybody knows your name.

Wolf

**Tiffany Hayes**

Captain
Tybee Island, GA

It was a great opportunity to make an impact in my community.

20 years

I enjoy working with the kids: Through the Junior Police Academy or visiting with the Tybee Island Maritime Academy.

Panther

**Ashlea Lackey**

Officer
Bloomingdale, GA

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Unicorn

**Joel Fobes**

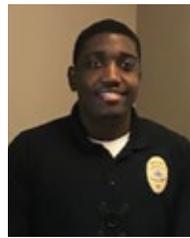
Major
Savannah, GA

I was born and raised on Tybee Island. While in college, I decided I wanted to be in law enforcement and where better than Tybee??

23 years

I love working where I grew up and building upon my lifelong friendships. The people I work with are the best at what they do.

Scorpion or Wolf

**Ishmael Marshall**

Officer
Albany, GA

To make a difference within the Tybee Island community.

1 year

The people I work with are very great people.

Wolf

**Eddie Dicus**

Lieutenant
Maryland

Worked part time for Chief Bryson and a full time position opened up. It was a once in a lifetime chance and I took it and have never looked back. Best job I have ever had.

7 years

Helping people. Most people don't believe that.

A hungry dog

**Nathaniel Dalit**

Officer
Bamberg, Germany

My academy class was named after a fallen Tybee Officer, Tron. Representing his name made me want to join TIPD.

2 years

TIPD, community, beach and donuts! Oh ... and dogs.

Panda because I am always tired.

**Richie Dascal**

Sergeant
Selden, New York

I needed a job and I really liked the area.

10 years

The people I work with.

Pigeon

**Korra Thomas**

Patrol Officer
Bremen, GA

I love this community. I wanted to serve here on the island and be a part of the community.

1 year

I love the uniqueness of our job. I get to meet people from all over.

We come into contact with a lot of marine/coastal life (animals).

Lion

There are more officers, but they are shy. Stay tuned and the Beachcomber will get them eventually! In the meantime, make a point to say 'Hey' to anybody in uniform and give them your support for all of their hard work in keeping Tybee safe and sound, yet still quirky and fun!





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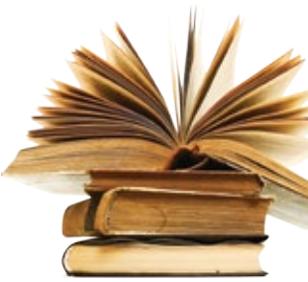
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BOOK REVIEW

By Nell Klein

THE LAST GUEST HOUSE

By Megan Miranda

This story is set in Littleport, Maine which is a whole lot like Tybee. It's a town with roughly 3,000 year-round residents and a home for rich folk's summer homes, a destination for vacationers and a haven for the year-round residents (who we affectionately refer to as "the locals" on Tybee), who make a living catering to the aforementioned people. But, and this is where it's a whole lot like Tybee, it's also all about the locals getting a little peeved with so many homes being rented out as short-term or vacation rentals, leaving very little for the working class to live. The houses also have cutesy names like Blue Robin, Trail's End and the Sea Rose, to name a few.

So that's the gist of the background of Littleport, Maine (and somewhat Tybee), now I'll tell you about the story of The Last House Guest.

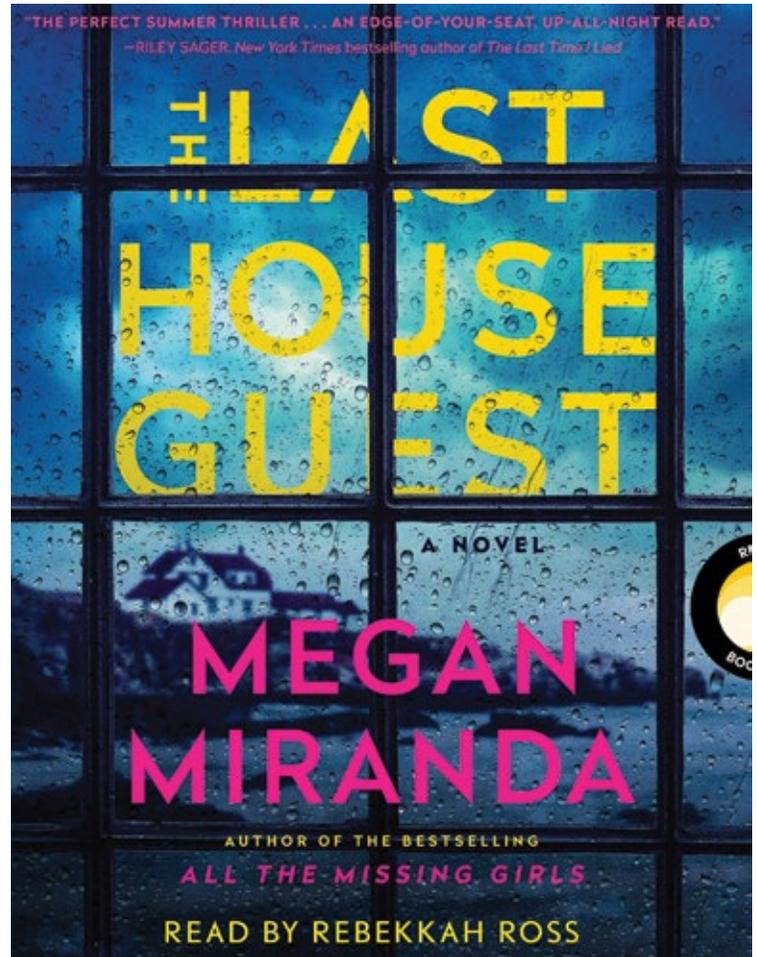
The story evolves around Sadie Loman, the daughter of wealthy Grant Loman, landowner and part-time resident, and Avery Greer, a resident of Littleport since birth. The girls have been the best of friends for years even though they come from very different backgrounds. After Avery's parents are killed in a car accident, she lives with her grandmother until her death. Soon after, the Lomans buy Avery's ancestral home and take Avery under their wing. She lives in the guest house next to the Loman's beachside mansion, called The Breakers, and manages all of their many rental properties (including the home that she grew up in).

The story starts in 2017 at an end-of-the-summer party called a Plus-One Party. It's where all of the leftover liquor and food is served up for the locals and they party all night long. It takes place in one of the rental homes before it's closed up for the winter. Avery is in charge of the details and all she needs is for her best friend Sadie to show up and help. The party is going well until the cops show up at the door asking to see Paul Loman, Sadie's brother. It seems that Sadie has been found dead at the bottom of a cliff and it looks like she has taken her own life. Everyone is shocked, but no one more than Avery. She can't believe that her happy-go-lucky best friend would end her own life.

Suddenly, we're a year later in 2018 and Avery is still not convinced that Sadie took her own life and she plans on finding out what really happened on that fateful night. She also feels that the local police and Sadie's own brother, Paul, hold Avery responsible for Sadie's death and all she wants to do is clear her name. She soon realizes that someone knows more than they're telling and Avery is going to get to the bottom of the mystery, even if she puts her own life in danger doing so.

I give this book 4 roses. It's a Reese Witherspoon Book Club read and it's a pretty good one. It's full of mystery, secrets, and a whole lot of lies. There are some surprising twists and turns, and the last few chapters totally make up for any short-comings of the book. Just the fact that it reminds you so much of Tybee makes it worth reading. It's a quick and easy beach read, just in time for summer!

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



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June Fishing Forecast

Been a crazy past couple months folks but I would like to welcome you all back to the island. Hope everyone stays healthy and well. Please be courteous to others so that we may all be able to keep enjoying the wonderful things this island and surrounding area provide for us. We would like to let you know we have upgraded our Vessel for your enjoyment and this month we got a little contest going on with the Beachcomber, so make sure you participate.

TYBEE PIER & SURF

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

NEAR SHORE

The waters are warm and every species of fish can be found. The King Mackerel are in full force. In my opinion, there is nothing like having a drag screaming run with the fish taking 300 yards on line in mere seconds. These fish will get the adrenaline pumping for sure. Live Menhaden,



Greenies, and Blue Runners are the best baits for snagging that drag smoking King Mackerel. The reefs from 50 to 75 feet of water are also holding Cobia, Black Sea Bass, Triggerfish, Spadefish, and many other bottom fish to be found right now.



INSHORE

Flounder, Redfish, and Speckled Sea Trout are all feeding. This month is when we really start to target the Flounder in the shallow waters on the creeks. Fishing the outgoing tide along any kind of structure, such as Oyster rakes, dock pilings, jetties, or wrecks, will produce bites. For Flounder I like to fish a Carolina style rig, starting with a half-ounce egg weight on the main line tied to a ball bearing swivel, a twelve inch leader to a 2/0 to 4/0 Kahle hook, depending on the size of bait I am using. We also use fishing popping corks set to the depth we are fishing to help prevent snagging the bottom. Live Mud Minnows and live Finger Mullet are my go-to baits this time of year. For the Speckled Sea Trout and Redfish, I also fish the same way. Remember to keep it simple.

OFFSHORE

This time of year the temperature breaks are harder to find but they are around, sometimes it's easy to pass the fish. Many days I have seen the Mahi, Wahoo and Blackfin Tuna in close. I have found a few strays in as close as 25 miles, but they tend to stay in that 100 foot plus range. Watch the water color and keep an eye out for bait schools, such as Flying fish and smaller Bonita. Most of the fish won't be far from them. The bottom bite is still hot. Grouper, Vermillion Snapper, and Triggerfish are some of the few fish you can expect to see. Even while bottom fishing, don't forget to have one flat line out just in case some pelagic species show up.

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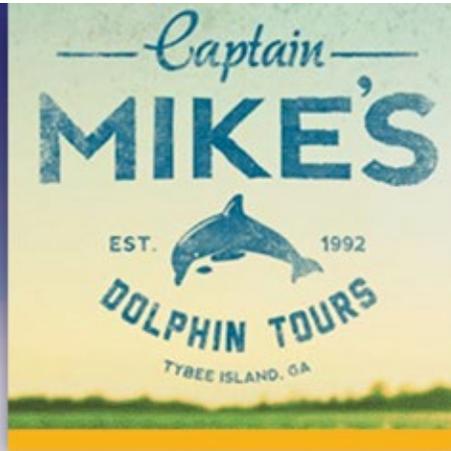
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TAXITALES

By Ron Goralczyk



Mike's Girl

It has been too long since I have had a good tale to tell. Thank the good Lord, I got a good one. Having said that I'm sure the Lord had nothing to do with the behavior that was going on.

It was The Kevin Carpenter Bar Olympics day that put me in the driver's seat from 11am until Breezy day ended. The Olympic teams I was responsible for moving around that day were very well behaved and having lots of fun competing against each other and raising a great deal of money for Tybee Teen Cuisine.

The first part of my day was a blast. I was driving the bus all day and night so I could keep up with everyone needing a ride. I got calls from three different bars on the south end. Three were going to Poos, three more going to Poos and one person going to 12th beachside. I swung through to get them loaded up. As I was rolling down Butler, the one going to 12th said, "You can just drop me off at the corner." As my friend was exiting the bus, one of the dudes said, "Have a nice night Biscuit." Biscuit turned back to the dude and fired back with a great big "Go bleep yourself!" Dude replied back with a very derogatory word back to Biscuit. So now it was my turn, "Yo! We don't disrespect people on Breezy. Do you want to walk the rest of the way?" Dude said he was sorry, so we continued to head on.

Not even two blocks later Dude said, "Hey driver, you think you heard what you heard but you're old and probably can't hear." I whipped the bus over to the shoulder and said, "I heard that! Get out!" He answered with, "Dudes like you can't throw me out." I explained to him, "I'm the Captain of this ship, get out or I will help you out." He got to the door, looked me up and down, sizing me up. I put the bus in park and said, "Let's go." We all look small when we are sitting in the driver's seat. He decided to get off without my assistance.

I had one more person to pick up from Salt heading to Poos. We will call him Mike. We got to Poos and the group of three girls informed me that the last time they were on the bus a small fight broke out and I ended up removing one of the passengers that night. So my night rolled along back and forth from one end to the other and back.

I got a call from Poos, for a group of three going to a hotel on the south end. As luck would have it, I got another call from Poos for another group of three going to the south end. Cool, be there in a few minutes. I rolled up and Mike jumped in the passenger seat. "You heading

south?" I said, "Yes." He saw a car roll through the parking lot and ducked down. The car pulled up behind the bus. He asked, "Is that my girl?" I said, "Yes, I think it is. He said, "Roll out, get me out of here. I said, "I can't. I'm waiting for some customers. I told him go to the back of the bus and I would turn the interior lights off. Problem solved.

So my two groups of three started loading up, same two groups as earlier. I looked at Dude and asked if he could behave himself. Let's just say he still walking. We loaded up and rolled out. As we were heading south, I noticed I was being followed by Mike's girl. I informed him we had a tail. Somewhere between Poos and the south end hotel, one of the three girls decided now was a good time to take her top off and walk around the bus. I didn't even notice until we arrived at the hotel. Her friends were doing their best to get her dressed before they got off the bus. It took a minute and the car that was following us was parked behind me. One of Dude's friends decided this was close enough to his destination. He had seen an opportunity to see more flesh, so he got off as well. I took the remaining passenger to his place, dropped him off and rolled. Still had the white car tailing us.

I got a call from the south end for a group going to 2nd and Butler. I told them I was minutes away and please be ready when I pulled up. Mike was still hunkered down in the very back of the bus. I loaded the four up. I still had not turned the interior lights on since Mike started riding, hiding, and looking for a way out. As the fourth person entered the bus, I saw Mike's girl getting on. I hit the button to close the door and she was wedged in the door. I hit the button quick to release her. I said, "Sorry didn't see you there." She got on the bus and asked if Mike was on the bus? I said, "I don't think so." She asked if he got on at Poos. I said, "I didn't see him." She was scanning the interior of the bus and even looked down under the seats, looking for Mike. I felt like she believed me and was going to exit when one of the passengers said, "Hey, there is a guy back here sleeping." The jig was up. BUSTED! She walked to the back, sat down and I rolled on to drop the group off. I went back to the south end and pulled up to Mike's girl's car. I sat there quietly for a few minutes and Mike said, "Ron you waiting on someone?" I said, "No." He said, "Are you waiting on us to get off?" I said, "Yes, take your time."

Why did I lie? I don't know. I would have to say I'm sorry to Mike's girl. She didn't call me out and she didn't cause a scene. She did however, get her man.

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TYBEE ISLAND RECYCLING CENTER

By Monty Parks

She said, "I've lost my husband's body."

She was standing in the doorway of my office. I knew she was trouble, mostly because the word was spelled out on the front of her T shirt - like that old Travis Tritt song, T-R-O-U-B-L-E.

She said, "I brought him down here to the beach because he loved Tybee's beach so much."

My name is Sam Sunglass. I'm a private eye. I work in a small town on the coast of Georgia. By day, the town is a laid back place, full of booze, sun and beach chairs. But by night, the streets get mean and out of these mean streets come the questions. I'm the man who is paid to find the answers to mean questions.

She said, "Now his body is gone and I don't know where he went. You have to help me."

Once they start crying, I'm helpless. I had to help.

So that's how I found myself at the Tybee Island Recycling Center. There is a big guy in charge of this center. I asked him about the missing body. Big guy was full of smiles and laughs.

"Sure," he said, "We get it all here... Someone lost a body? Now that's funny."

I could not believe how helpful this guy was. He told me the Tybee Recycling Center accepts all cardboard, mixed paper, aluminum cans, tin cans, plastics and film plastics... He told me the center has trailers in three locations to make it easy for people to drop off their recyclables. He told me there was also a hard-to-recycle area in something called the Old School building for things like batteries and dental products. This big guy was just full of information and plans for the future.

I asked him, "So where would a body show up?"

He explained that everything received by the center gets sorted by hand to reduce contamination. Then all products get baled for easy handling. We walked over to a table where a skinny little guy was sorting stuff from the beach.

"Hey Tim," my guide said, "Seen any bodies today?"

Now, this guy Tim looked like a tough nut. He looked up from all the trash he was sorting and kind of snarled at us.

"Whatdayamean a body?"

Then, I saw a light go off in Tim's mind.

"You mean like the boxes they put people's ashes in? Yeah, we found one of them this morning. I got it right here. Still got some ashes in it."

Sure enough. Black plastic box. Bag of ashes. The husband's body. The case was solved. This Tybee Island Recycle Center was the best thing since White Claw.

"Come on back any time," said the big guy in charge. "We're glad to help!"

Later, I gave the lady back her husband's body. She wanted to pay me. I turned her down.

"Thank the Tybee Island Recycle Center," I said. "They are just dying to urn your business."

The Tybee Island Recycle Center is located at the DPW yard on Polk Street. There are three drop off trailers located around town. Check our Facebook page, TybeeRecycles, for updates and important information.

And yes, this is pretty much a true story.

In the Kitchen with.... **Francisco Enriquez aka Pancho** **Agave Bar & Grill**

By Alaina Loughridge Photo by Luis Gomez



Let me start out by stating this is the first interview I have ever done mostly via an interpreter. Luis was our voice box and so if anything is wrong in this article, stop by Agave and tell Luis he did not miss his calling. Make sure you do this while drinking a margarita though. Now! Let's get to the kitchen! Pancho is the man and he is an amazing cook! I have got the most phenomenal recipe from him to share with y'all and you will never go anywhere else for it! But, first things first...

Pancho was born in Michoacán, Mexico, the third child out of a family of

six. He would always cook for the family and he learned his formidable skills from his mother. When he moved to Statesboro, he started out as a dishwasher. When his cousins asked him to come to Whitmarsh to work at Jalapeno's, he was on his way. He was immediately put behind the line where he belongs: Cooking! He met Abraham, owner of Agave in 2010 and an immediate friendship began. When Abraham opened Agave on Tybee, Pancho was front and center! Moving to Thunderbolt around the same time, Pancho met and fell in love with his now wife, Lariza, and they have since welcomed a beautiful daughter, Jasmine. Life is Bueno.

I know y'all are anxious for the recipe, but I had to ask Pancho the Questions of Life!

Tybee Life: 10 years

Passion: Family!!!! Always!

Grow Up: Have a restaurant of his own and support his family

Spirit Animal: A Lion. One does not mess with a lion and his pride!

Super Power: Treats people right.

Now, the magic recipe of Pancho's: **Pork Carnitas**

1 whole pig

1 cooking cloth

Firewood (or stove top)

5 to 10 pounds of lard

3 Onions

5 – 6 Garlic Cloves

Pepper – Season to taste

1/3 cup Black Clove Spice

2 Bohemian Beers – Any dark Mexican beer

1 cup orange juice

1 cup Coca Cola

½ cup gold tequila

2 cups kosher salt

- Take your pig, skin it and chunk it up. Put it in a gigantic pot over firewood (or stove top) and add your lard.

- In a cooking cloth, add onions, garlic, pepper and cloves. Throw the whole cloth into the pot and let it all percolate for about 1.5 hours. Add beers, Orange Juice, Coca Cola and tequila and finish up by adding kosher salt. Let simmer for an additional 2 hours. Should be a nice golden color by the time all is said and done.

- Serve with rice and beans surrounded by family and friends!

This all sounds fabulous, but too much work???? You can find this masterpiece, thanks to Pancho, at Agave 7 days a week! Stop by and make your life easier! Make sure you say 'hola' to Pancho!



Sarah McLachlan In the Arms of an Angel

Hello Readers! If y'all are anything like me, when you hear the song, *In the Arms of an Angel*... on a certain TV commercial (and don't act like you didn't just sing that in your head), you change the channel. Let me make this clear. I don't change the channel because I hate animals; quite the contrary. These commercials are so agonizingly successful at their job that they make me want to buy 10 dogs, 25 cats, and end up on Extreme Hoarders. I can't even stand to hear that song anymore without thinking about sad puppies. That was such a good song. Sad, but good nonetheless, before being paired with this commercial. I understand that they are playing on everyone's emotions by showing malnourished dogs in cages and kittens crying, with what looks like eye boogies.



I'm annoyed by the fact that the commercial is asking you to donate to the organization as a whole instead of getting people to go down to their local humane society and donate their time, money, and cuddles to these animals in need. How can we be sure the money will go directly to these important services? Especially the cuddle factor. After looking up the organization, I learned that 100% of your donation does not go to the animals. However, if you go buy dog food and like to donate to your humane society, you know for a fact that the food is going to the animals. Are the humans going to eat it? Well, let's hope not...

Stepping off my rather small soap box now, and back to the actual Sarah McLachlan commercials – please, for the love of all that is sweet and holy, MIX IT UP! We don't need to be bombarded with depressing animals for two straight minutes. That's how long the commercial is. The average commercial spot is 15-30 seconds. Where normal commercials try to make you laugh and feel good, quickly linking it to their product, this organization takes up to 4-8 times the amount of time, making you feel horrible about something that few of us have little control over. Again, I understand the logic behind it, but show the good side of what the organization does, not just injured or sad animals.

At this point I feel like it did its job too well, to the point where people are turning the channel and becoming more and more frustrated or pissed off with the commercial the longer it airs. I can't be the only one that feels this way. Here's to hoping they will change or just stop airing it.

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By Alaina Loughridge



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1 Daniel O'Connor, John Russell, Spec Hosti and Chuck Eden are all working hard for the *Marine Rescue Squadron* bbq a minute ago! Thank you guys for all you do for Tybee!

2 We ran into Sharyn behind The *Crab Shack* Gift Shop counter. Not only does she handle that, but the cats, the birds and the office staff too! Stop by and say "Hi" to this hard working lady!

3 Ted Lynch with *Accountants on Tybee* is working very hard as the big deadline looms. Don't forget to get your tax info to him before July 15th!!

4 Caitlyn Burns and Gordon Card have got the life!! Lounging around all day just chilling out. *Bubba Gumbo's* and the *Seafood Co-Op* just run themselves! Right???

5 When the boss is away, look who I caught playing?! Meliza and Luis at *Agave!* Just kidding, Abraham. These two people make Agave run like a well-oiled margarita!

6 Totally busted out Holly Holt of *Parking Services* doing her job! Look at those happy people getting a parking ticket!

7 Caroline at *A-J's* promised me she could balance a watermelon on her head. Caroline lied to me, but made up for it with the fabulous A-J's Watermelon Margarita! Yum! I forgive you Caroline!



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8 Alex at *A-J's* got it right though!!! Look at that concentration! Good job, Girl!!! Clearly it's winter on Tybee! LOL!!!

9 I had a dream about *Beachview Java & Juice's* sausage gravy biscuits and had to have them! The mimosa was just a happy delight! If you haven't been there for breakfast, you need to. Open to the public!

10 Laura has been working at *Freddy's* for 16 years!!! She's still smiling! Go say hi to her and her hubby, **Roger**, who has been there just as long! Freddy's is the island's go-to place for car problems.

11 George may be taking this whole Coronavirus thing just a bit too far. Aren't you supposed to put that sanitizer on your hands?

12 Holy *Chu's on Campbell* parking lot! Not only is this Chevron turning into a B.P., but it will also be offering diesel and marine fuel, which is super cool as they are the only convenience store to do that. Should be done by the time you read this...

13 Julie & Leslie of *Tybee Golf Carts* are always happy to help! They are chatting with **Tara and Avery** who are visiting from Athens, GA! They just got hitched on Tybee and its celebration time! Julie is also a huge supporter of the planet (as you should be as well) and is showing off her new plastic bag alternative! Stop by and get your bag today.

14 I finally crossed the bridge, y'all!!!! And ran into **Paul** (my twin personality of sarcasm), owner of the *Britannia British Pub*, holding court! Off to the left, I found **David Byrd** of *NLaws*. Everyone was drinking water and on our best behavior! LOL!!!!



JUNE HOROSCOPE

By Gage McKnight

Gemini (May 22 - June 22) - During your quarantine, you spent so much time alone with all of your personalities that you forgot to be safe. You are and always will be the first to contract any virus or disease (remember your high school years?) so it's a surprise that you still have friends in spite of the fact that your punch card to the clinic now gives you a free visit.

Cancer (June 23 - July 23) - Well, you have finally done it again. You bored even Death himself with your tiring emotional bickering and endless crying, so he gave up and decided to give you a free pass. Now you need to find something else to bitch about. Like how your pet won't talk to you every time you walk around the grounds naked with a cocktail.

Leo (July 24 - Aug. 23) - It is not all about you. Focus on others in your sphere. Stop hoarding toilet paper or I'm going to tell everyone to keep swiping left on your Tinder page.

Virgo (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23) - The quarantine has you staying with your loved ones and family and I completely understand/feel for you. We all know that you did not mean to set your house on fire with everyone inside. As smoky as your future is looking, it seems that you have cleared the air of all your problems. The stars see a change of identity and an account in the Cayman Islands in your future.

Libra (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23) - Your strong personality and take no prisoners attitude has served you well. However, as Confucius once said, "Even if you have nowhere to go, take a shower and get out of those sweatpants."

Scorpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22) – Insert your own insult here: _____ you _____ and furthermore y'all can _____ a _____ and _____.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21) - This was supposed to be your year, until Covid. But you pulled yourself together and made a plan. You invited your friends to stay with you until you realized that they had used all of your toilet paper. I understand why you relocated them to your basement and are now rationing your supplies. The real question you face now is how are you going to wipe your butt?

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20) - Just like a true American, you have grown bored of Covid, so you have decided it's over. Fortunately for you, your lack of brain cells gives you a pass on your reckless behavior. If you insist on being out and about, please make sure it is fun activities – like running into traffic with a pair of scissors.

Aquarius (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19) - Well your birthday was a blast seeing as how you were more than likely in quarantine. The good news is you are 'roni' free and safely locked away so no one has to see your face. The stars have a great year planned for you – even if you are alone.

Pieces (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20) - Did the quarantine finally give you the validation you needed to be an alcoholic without shame? Then you are 100% entitled to a lifetime of cirrhosis of the liver and a bonus of free blackouts! If you call now, we will throw in an unlimited supply of 'grow up' you pretty loser. No wonder you were put up for adoption and no - your real parents are not a king and queen.

Aries (Mar. 21 - Apr. 20) - As your quarantine comes to an end, and your waistline no longer has one, you start to wonder, "Will I recover from this? Will life ever treat me the same?" Well, I am here to tell you that no, nothing will ever be the same since you decided to become the size of your own personal self-shame billboard. The only way you will get anyone to want you is to ration yourself out to the poor, but stay positive baby and keep your all of your chins up!

Taurus (Apr. 21 - May 21) - Unfortunately for you, the stars are saying you are having the worst of the worst this quarantine season. I'm sad to be the bearer of bad news, but the government just released a new statement today recalling all Taurus' from ever procreating again due to the lack of both IQ and teeth. That could be just a rumor though. I don't know. I just work here.



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Main Street Matters

By Michelle Owens - Executive Director, Tybee Island Development Authority/Main Street

Main Street after Coronavirus: What's Next?

March 2020 will forever be remembered as the year we took a freefall into the unknown – a time when we were caught off guard by the need to shut down life as usual and adapt to a new and solitary existence to fight off a pandemic.

A Pandemic Strikes

Businesses abruptly closed, unemployment swelled and families retreated indoors at unprecedented levels. Phrases like “social distancing,” Zoom call,” and “shelter-in-place” suddenly became a part of our daily lexicon as a new social revolution unfolded before us.

After weeks of lockdown and businesses losses, what's next for Main Street? Economic development and small business experts agree that small businesses received a potentially mortal blow by going weeks with little to no revenue.

In fact, a National Main Street Center (NMSC) survey found that 7.5 million small businesses nationwide are in danger of closing permanently in the coming months due to pandemic related business interruptions without effective interventions. To deploy these interventions, we first must understand where we are in the greater scheme of this pandemic response.

Our Pandemic Response

According to NMSC, communities like ours will move through three stages of response during this pandemic: urgent response, stabilization and revitalization. These stages are important to know because they lend context to how we can assist our businesses and our community going forward.

We encountered the first phase – urgent action – in March when we all were forced to take immediate steps to adjust to emergency orders and restrictions in the name of safety. We were all forced to make vast changes on the fly just to be functional.

Local businesses quickly added take-out windows, switched to delivery/takeout service and promoted online sales. City government quickly mobilized a remote workforce, eased restrictions, deadlines and late fees for businesses and citizens, conducted virtual public meetings, communicated fast-changing local, state and federal rules and implemented more stringent sanitary practices.

As the health crisis continues to grow, we now realize we're in this for the long haul. We have to learn how to survive with more creativity and less capital. We are moving into stage two of our response – stabilization.

This will require us to manage the impact of coronavirus on our business community. This is where we try to find steady ground in our new reality.

The CARES Act federal funding and other financial assistance are the first steps in this direction.

What we offer locally will take us further along the path to a new normal, so our local Main Street program is finding innovative ways to help our small businesses survive.

During this stabilization phase, we conducted a local business survey, created financial concessions, designed new programs and sought grant funding to help local merchants.

Tybee Business Survey findings:

- 72% of the businesses on Tybee shut down completely in March and April, while 15% partially shut down operations.
- 75% of local businesses saw a 75% or more decrease in sales/traffic during March and April.
- 50% of local businesses are not in danger of closing permanently.
- 24% of local businesses are in danger of closing in the next 5 months.
- 38% laid off staff; 23% reduced work hours; 22% placed workers on unpaid leave.
- The top two types of assistance businesses want are grants and concessions (fee waivers, deferrals, extended deadlines, payment plans). They also wanted help marketing their businesses, setting up ecommerce and access to small business technical assistance.

Financial Concessions and New Programs:

- **Penalty Free Extensions:** The city agreed to continue offering financial breaks in the form of penalty free extensions for business license renewals, utility bills and expired parking passes.
- **Business Recovery Grant:** The Main Street program repurposed its Façade Grant program into a Business Recovery Grant to help businesses defray coronavirus-related expenses such as installation of takeout windows, signage or contactless pay systems.
- **Sand Dollars Program:** Main Street sought a sponsor to help implement a new financial incentive program called Sand Dollars. With sponsorship from Lee Ann Marsh of Century 21 Solomon Properties, we will provide businesses with \$5 gift certificates called Sand Dollars. The businesses can reward customers with Sand Dollars when they purchase at least \$25 in merchandise. Customers can use the Sand Dollars on a future purchase and Main Street will cover the cost of the discount by reimbursing local merchants.
- **Marketing and Advertising Assistance:** Main Street is assisting businesses with advertising by paying to boost social media posts for local businesses and by sending out a redesigned weekly newsletter in which businesses can advertise at no cost.
- **Grant Assistance:** We applied for a grant from NMSC to assist with technical assistance and an online platform to help market our Main Street and assist businesses with ecommerce strategies.

We will most likely linger in this stabilization phase until businesses can resume full-time hours and operations. Then we will move into the long term phase of revitalization. Revitalization will extend for years as businesses try to recoup sustainable levels of customer traffic and sales. This is where we will see some of our favorite establishments go out of business and others expand. And just like we saw with the great recession of 2007, we will see a new crop of entrepreneurs hang out a shingle, taking advantage of low interest rates, cheapo rents and high vacancies.

Important Advice for New Businesses

If you see yourself as one of these new entrepreneurs, the most important first step you can take is to find out if your business model is allowed under the city's existing zoning and business regulations. It's very easy to start a new business on Tybee Island, as evidenced by our mostly "mom and pop" Main Street. But as with any place worth living, we have rules and regulations to preserve our quality of life. So don't start off on the wrong foot.

A new business that opens without doing its due diligence first won't be in business long, and will have no one to blame but itself.

Tybee will Bounce Back

Even though the business landscape will look bleak for many months to come, rest assured we will recover.

Local tourism agencies predict the Savannah-Tybee Island area will rebound sooner than market competitors like Charleston, South Carolina and St. Augustine, Florida because we are a drive-in market, meaning most of our visitors drive in from locations five hours away or less. With travelers still wary about crowding into airplanes with strangers, they'll seek to alleviate cabin fever at drivable destinations like Tybee Island.

So if you're feeling overwhelmed by our post coronavirus circumstances, just remember this simple mantra: When the time comes y'all, we're gonna bounce back like a beach ball!

You can read the full survey results or get more information on our new programs on the Development Authority/Main Street webpage at www.cityoftybee.org. You can also reach out to michelle.owens@cityoftybee.org.



By Paul Cales & Becca

Continued from the March 2020 Beachcomber.
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CHAPTER 34 APOCALYPSE ARREST DAY 10.5

"What in the hell was that?" Eric exclaims.

"The damn tank!" Brian replies, frustrated. *"They're shooting a tank at the Poo Crew! I told you they were evil! Nobody ever listens to me."*

They hear the machine gun go off again.

"Oh, hell no!" Eric shouts over the sound and runs out of the Five Dollar Warehouse toward Huc-a-Poos.

Brian stands there a minute and watches Eric go. A few minutes ago, he was sure Eric was going to kill him for what happened to Bunger. This is his chance to put some distance between him and them. He saunters to the door, grabs the key, and turns to lock the door behind him.

"Freeze asshole!" Richie shouts. He had always wanted to say that for real.

"What the hell?" Brian says as he turns away from the door to face Richie.

Richie spins Brian back around towards the warehouse and slams Brian into the wall next to the door. He grabs his right wrist and slaps a handcuff on him. *"I don't know what the hell is going on here, but I know you've got something to do with it, Crabber."*

"We need to get out of here before they get us Richie!"

"Who?"

"The undead assholes or the assholes in the tank. Either way, we need to get out of here."

"Oh, don't worry, we're getting out of here." Richie grabs Brian's other hand and finishes cuffing it behind his back.

"Seriously dude?" Brian says. *"I can't believe I'm getting arrested smack in the middle of the zombie apocalypse."*

"Yeah, seriously," Richie replies. *"You're going into the back of the car until I figure out just what is going on here."* He walks Brian to the police cruiser and throws Brian into the back, slamming the door. He jumps into the driver's seat and turns to Brian. *"Where's this tank you speak of?"*

"In the Huc-a-Poos parking lot, you idiot. See all the smoke?"

"Seriously? A freaking tank? The National Guard got overrun six days ago. Who the hell is in the tank?"

"It's Tony and his friends. They're going around killing everyone. Dead or

alive, they're killing anything that moves. We've got to stay away from them at all costs."

"Tony, huh?" Richie muses as he starts to move the car down to Solomon Dr. *"How the hell does he know how to drive a tank?"* As the car creeps down the road, the tank becomes visible. *"Holy crap! You were right, there's a freaking tank!"*

"I told you, jerk! We need to get out of here. If they see us, we're dead. I'm sure those undead sick-o's are on their way too. That tank is loud and the undead can hear very well."

"Why are you calling them undead, Brian? They're just sick."

"Oh my god! Are you kidding me right now, Richie? Whatever they are, they'll kill and eat you if they get a chance. And I really don't want to give them a chance."

"Don't worry, Brian. They're not going to get you while you're in my care. I can promise you that."

"Look man," Brian begins. *"We can work together. We need a safe place to hide out away from the zombies and the tank, then we'll come up with a plan."*

"We've got a safe place and you're more than welcome to join us," Richie says.

"Us? Who's us? There are more cops still around?"

"Joe-T and I are holed up at the American Legion."

"Why not the jail? Wouldn't it be a more secure place to stay?"

"Joe-T likes being at the Legion. There's food and drinks, he can smoke there if he wants. No smoking inside the police station."

"Dude, seriously? You can smoke anywhere you want. It's the end of the world. I'm sure the Chief wouldn't mind."

Richie stops the car and turns around to look at Brian. *"I am the damn Chief!"* Then he turns the car around and starts cruising toward the American Legion. *"Joe-T is gonna be happy to see you, Brian."*

Eric runs up the ramp to Tybean Coffee's deck. He stops when he can see the carnage created by the tank. Smoldering undead are strewn about the parking lot. Eric drops to his knees and puts his hands over his face.

Inside the tank, the crew is happy there is a survivor.

"Holy crap!" Rudy says. *"Look man, it's Eric. He made it!"*

Tony pops his head out of the tank and shouts. *"Over here Eric!"*

Eric pops up and shouts back. *"What the hell did you do?"*

"One of the things must have gotten into the van with the rest of them. We had no choice." Tony answers.

"You always have a choice, damn it!" Eric shouts.

"Nah man, seriously," Rudy says, and shakes his head. *"It was a blood bath inside that van. There was no escape for them. There was a crowd of zombies surrounding the van and they couldn't get out."*

"Or Crabber Brian was telling the truth about you guys," says Eric.

"Brian has a skewed perspective on reality. Jump up here and we'll get out of here before more of those things show up," says Tony.

Eric, still angry, climbs onto the tank and sits behind the tank commander's hatch.

"I'm sure whatever Brian told you had about two percent truth to it and the rest he made up to make himself look like a victim or a hero," Tony says.

"I should have never let him in here. Not thirty minutes ago he shot Bunger and said it was her fault. He broke down our barricade, let the dead in, and now everyone is gone," says Eric.

Sara pops her head up. "Was Heather with the group in the van?"
 "No. She went out of town with the kids to visit her mom the night the undead started showing up. I can't get in touch with her. I don't even know if she made it to her mom's. But I can promise you this, as soon as I get a vehicle, I'm going after them," says Eric.

"I think we can help you with that and then some, Eric," Tony says.
 "Let's get the beast back to the house. Joey, you awake down there?"

"Sure am!"

"Okay, then. Driver move out!"

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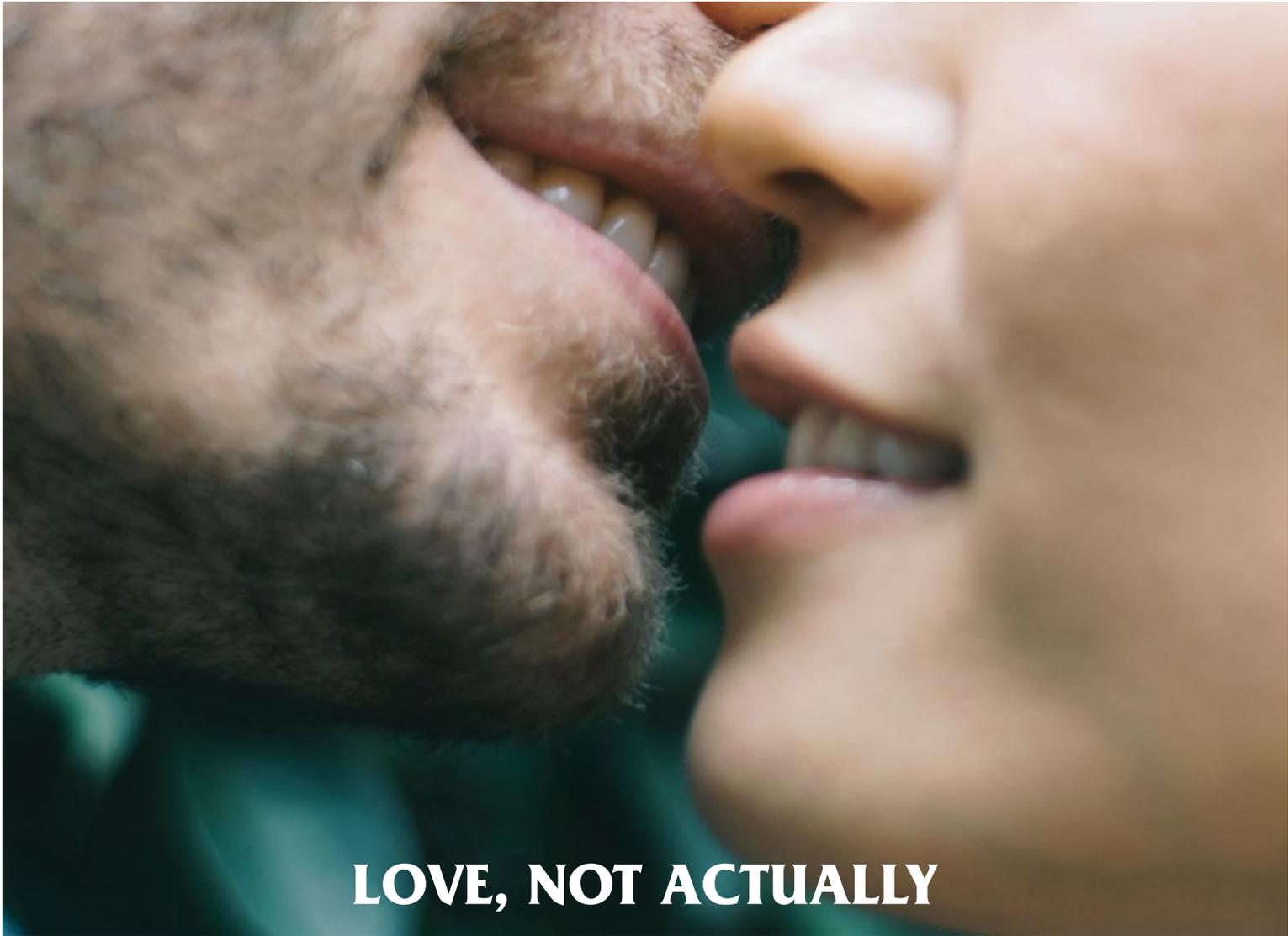
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LOVE, NOT ACTUALLY

A Love Advice Column by a Boy and a Girl Who Should Not Be Giving Love Advice. Ever.

The Question this month is: How do you tell your significant other they have bad hygiene?

Girl's Advice:

Oh, hell no!!! Nope on top of nope making more nope! You hooked up with a non-bather? A non-brusher of the teeth? A person that doesn't care about their personal scene is not someone you want to share fluid with and you don't need to say a word. Just leave the relationship. Unfriend. Block. Move to another country. Change your name. The factoid that you hooked up with them to begin with is icky and I hope to God you were drinking when this all went down.

Now, I've never had this problem with someone I'm hooking up with, but I have had the joy of a work relationship smelling south. That was a pickle as she was a really nice girl, but just had some anti-soap issues. I made the boss handle that and I don't think he really did, as nothing changed except more fresheners were added in the break room.

If you are reluctant to let this smelly beast go, you need to go to Bed, Bath & Beyond and get yourself a body beautiful basket and then present it to your other in no uncertain terms. Do not wishy wash. You tell the truth, throw the basket at them and see what happens. Good luck. Personally, I would leave the country.

Boy's Advice:

I think this is a first for me. I totally agree with my feminine counterpart. I can't believe I just said that. If the boy stinks, he's probably just used to smelling this way. Guys are typically gross to begin with. Remember guys, when bathing its hair, face, pits, ass, and then feet. Soap runs from top to bottom along with the water, so use this to your advantage. Also, something, something, something, Sir Isaac Newton. If the girl smells badly, it's a bit trickier than just proper bathing rituals as previously mentioned. Girls are complicated. Guys can look past the smelly dreadlocks and hiding B.O. with patchouli if she's got a sexy hippie vibe going on. But beyond that, it's a no-go. There could be underlying health issues as well. Approaching this topic with a female is very dangerous. It's like approaching a velociraptor wearing a coat made from meat. It must be done very carefully if you want to survive. Friends are the key. Have their friends talk to them in a very discreet manor. A friend telling a girl about her issue is a much softer blow to her ego. By the way "Girl's Advice," we need to talk.

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Reflections

By Hollie Sessoms

Zen and the Art of Staying Home

There's an art to staying home. It's not a matter to be taken lightly. I, for one, am a master.

I've been staying home for 17 years give or take a few months when I tried to enter the workforce for a spell. As a mother of three active children, it's just made sense for me to stay home so I can shuttle the kids around to and fro whenever their schedule dictates. But why am I trying to justify this? I don't even know you!

So, my husband, like many others, went to a work-at-home situation back in March. He's home four days a week and at the office one. This has been quite an...ahem...adjustment...for all of us....

At first it didn't seem so bad. Of course he's going to sleep in until 9:00, he doesn't have to commute, most people would do the same. But then it got worse. I started to keep track of how long he'd been in the same pajama pants. When I brought it up to him, while we were standing out in the front yard one evening, he shrugged and commented on how comfortable they were.

Well, I told myself, at least once a week he's showering and shaving and going into work. That's better than nothing. But then his mood started slipping. He started complaining about how far it was from the bedroom to the kitchen where his snacks were. Wondering why we don't all just wear Depends—wouldn't it just make life simpler? One night when I told him he had cheese dip all over his dingy tee shirt, he shrugged and buttoned up his flannel so the cheese dip didn't show.

I decided it was time for some stay-at-home rules:

1. You must shower. Sometimes showering seems insane. Where are you going? Who are you seeing? Does it even matter if your hair is greasy? If a fine layer of crust has formed on your skin? If you smell? Of course not. You can't even smell yourself. All valid points. Even still. You must shower.

2. You must get dressed. I know, I know, but pajamas are so comfortable, you're saying. Yes. True. But if one spends too much time in pajamas it becomes difficult to distinguish day from night and life takes on this twilight zone feel where you can't tell where one day ends and the next begins. You don't want to get to this point—it's creepy and weird and the next stage is existential angst: Why am I even here? What exactly is my purpose in life? What is life? Not pretty. Get dressed. It doesn't have to be anything with buttons and zippers, drawstring is totally acceptable. Just, get dressed.

3. You must eat real food. You would think that staying home would propel one to cook elaborate meals with all the extra time. But, alas, this is not the case. You're home with all the boxes and bags of ready-made food, just there for the taking. What kind of crazed person would get out pots and pans and knives and cutting boards when you can merely open a bag of BBQ chips and have sustenance right at your fingertips? If it weren't for vanity I would totally ignore this rule, but my waistline lets me know in no uncertain terms that this rule must not be broken. Eat real food.

4. You must continue to grow and learn. These are dangerous times. We have the internet. Endless entertainment at our fingertips. Flamboyant men with tiger pets, real crime investigations (it's always the husband), people yelling about politics—all there for your mindless consumption. But none of this brings true fulfillment like learning something new. It doesn't have to be something huge—I'm not saying become fluent in Mandarin. Start small: perfect your pie crust, learn to garden, read a biography on Winston Churchill. There's a whole world outside of Netflix, once you can tear yourself away from the "watch next" option.

Hopefully this will help empower husbands everywhere. I envision a time when, like Michael Keaton in *Mr. Mom*, my husband takes off the flannel and throws it into the fire, thus starting a new phase of his life where he's got his act together. The woobie, I'll let him keep....





Have I got a real interesting lady for you! I've known her for a couple of years now, but apparently not that well. This gal has had a fascinating history, which you would never be able to guess by looking at her, and I am here to tell you all about it. **Jennifer Adams** nee Dubois is our June **Bartender of the Month** and I had a chance to sip some drinky drinks with her and get the background. Off we go!

Born and raised on Wilmington Island, Jen attended Johnson High and then went on to attend South University, interested in becoming a lawyer. She got sidetracked by life and became a cop instead! It happens. Starting in 2001 at the Chatham County Police Department, she moved to the Sheriff's Department in 2004. While at the Sheriff's Department, she was appointed head of security for Judge Coolidge, which she held until her early retirement in 2010 for medical issues. Deciding to move back into law, she pursued her dream to be an Assistant District Attorney. Life happened again and in 2014 she ended up working as a bartender at Nickie's. She says bartending is not much different than being a cop! LOL. That's true. Bartenders don't have guns though and that's probably a good thing.

She had never bartended before so she got certified in bartending school and jumped right in with her usual enthusiasm and learned really quickly by on-the-job-training. Best training there is. After Nickie's, she cruised down Tybrisa to Doc's, where she went back and forth from there to Tybee Time. Now, she is always at Doc's. The Doc's folks are family and her children.

In 2017, Jen met Ricky Adams. Love of her life! Married in 2018, the two combined their families: Her with two daughters, Olivia and Lauren, and him with three sons: Nick, Ryan and Kyle, and a daughter, Christina. Kind of a Brady Bunch scene that has all worked out for the best into a great blended family.

The most important Life Questions to follow:

- Tybee Life:** Forever
- Passion:** My family!
- Grow Up:** My own boss
- Spirit Animal:** A squirrel. This is due to falling in love with the Kellam's squirrel, Ellie Mae. Ask her about the time she once bartended with a live squirrel in her bra! Great story there!
- Super Power:** Gut instinct
- Super Power She Wants:** Unlimited energy

Jennifer's **go-to drink** is called **Jen's Juice!** It is a frothy mix of vodka, rum and other secret ingredients I cannot divulge. What I can say is that it is yummy and you will want more than one! Very tropical and a perfect Tybee cocktail!



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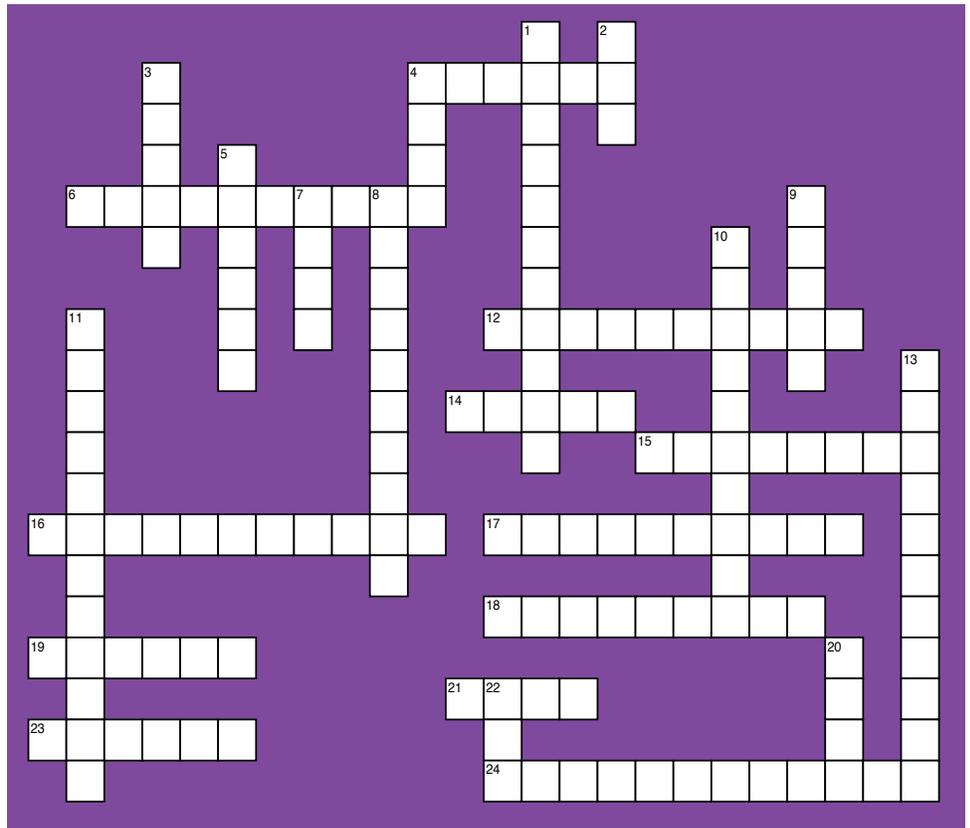
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- 15 Bartender of the Month
- 16 Private Eye in Recycling story (2 wds.)
- 17 Love, Not Actually discusses this tricky topic (2 wds.)
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- 21 6th month
- 23 Bad Advice refers to this as his name when talking to himself
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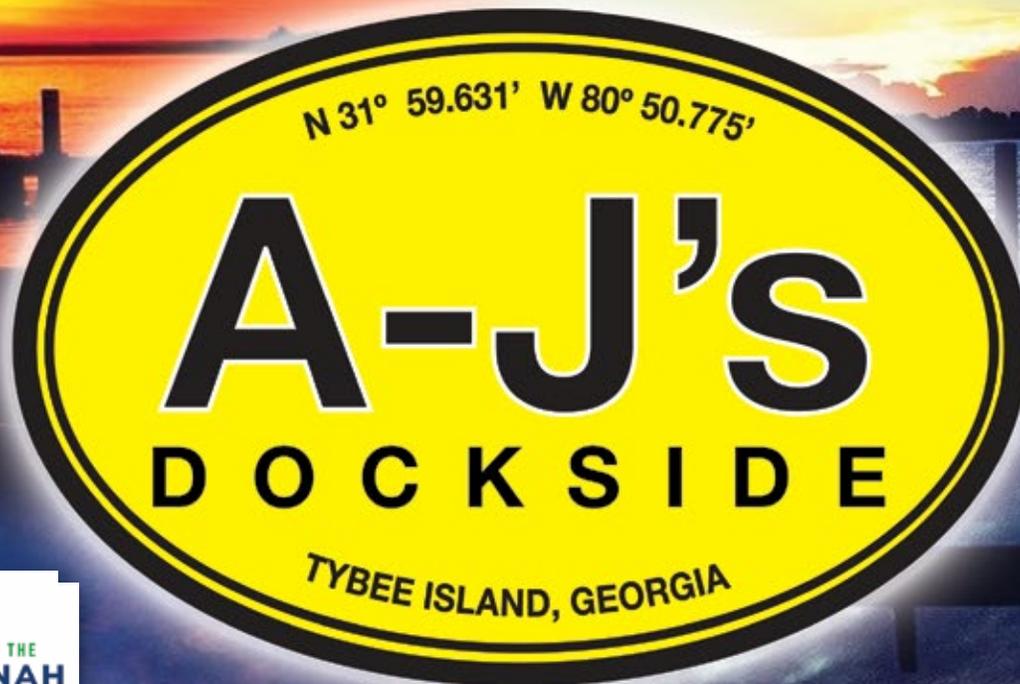


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