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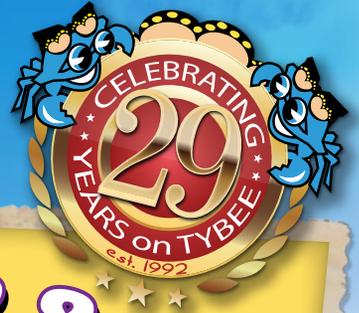


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From MS...ALAIN...EOUS

This year is certainly cruising the boulevard fairly quickly. Remember when we were all bitching about the cold? Yeah, well that's gone and we are well on our way to a barn burning hot summer! Thankfully, we have that bathtub water waiting for us to our immediate east. Plenty for all!

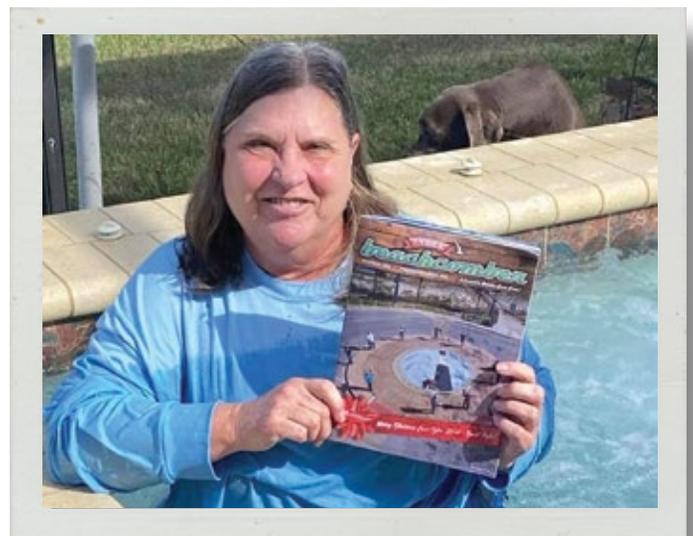
The Easter Egg Contest has been super fun this year. Rick has gotten really tricky on hiding the eggs and I know this by the number of emails, text messages, and stoppings in the street, about how there cannot be 50 eggs, or there are more than 50 eggs, or this contest is a nightmare. Usually after that last statement, I just start running. Luckily for everyone, I can't run very far or very fast. So, after a record number of entries, most of which were correct, our **2022 Easter Egg Hunt Winners are Ed and Fran Harrington!** Congratulations on all of your hard work finding those pesky eggs and call me! We are going to Sundae Café!! Well, technically, I'm not going but again, I am an excellent dinner date full of all sorts of useless and entertaining information. Thank you to everyone that entered and spent literally hours poring over every inch of the Beachcomber! For those who didn't win, next year is your year! For those of you with an axe to grind, blame Rudy.

Speaking of **Rudy Rudon**... that guy was voted **The Big Kahuna** for our annual **Beach Bum** Parade and shindig! I don't know who runs that parade, but Rudy? Really??? Thankfully, it was balanced out by **Jay Altman as The Grand Marshall** and the beautiful **Amorette Zittrauer**, as our **Queen!** Congratulations to all and we can't wait to hose you down on May 20th! The Coronation will be held on Wednesday, May 11th at the American Legion, so I hope to see everyone there!

Mother's Day is this month too, so don't forget to tell your Mumsie how much you love her! Wouldn't be here without her, so make an effort.

May's Traveling BC winner is **Linda Leake!** She went hot tubbing with us in Land O'Lake's, Florida! Thank you, Linda, for taking us with you! We had a great time and you will too at A-J's! I will see you there!

Now, make me a drink and turn the page...



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May 2022 Tide Chart

Georgia, Savannah River Ent.

N 32° 02.0' / W 80° 54.1'

Date	Day	High Tide		High Tide		Low Tide		Low Tide		Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
1	Su	9:53a	8.0	10:04p	8.9	4:10a	-0.1	4:16p	-0.3	6:38a	8:05p	7:06a	9:06p	
2	Mo	10:28a	7.7	10:37p	8.7	4:50a	0.1	4:53p	0.0	6:37a	8:06p	7:40a	10:04p	
3	Tu	11:02a	7.4	11:11p	8.5	5:27a	0.4	5:27p	0.3	6:36a	8:06p	8:18a	11:02p	
4	We	11:38a	7.1	11:47p	8.2	6:02a	0.7	6:00p	0.6	6:36a	8:07p	9:01a	11:56p	
5	Th	12:17p	6.9			6:36a	0.9	6:34p	0.9	6:35a	8:08p	9:49a		
6	Fr	12:27a	8.0	1:02p	6.7	7:10a	1.2	7:11p	1.1	6:34a	8:09p	10:42a	12:47a	
7	Sa	1:14a	7.8	1:53p	6.7	7:50a	1.3	7:56p	1.3	6:33a	8:09p	11:38a	1:33a	
8	Su	2:06a	7.7	2:46p	6.8	8:37a	1.4	8:52p	1.4	6:32a	8:10p	12:36p	2:13a	
9	Mo	3:00a	7.7	3:39p	7.0	9:33a	1.3	9:58p	1.4	6:31a	8:11p	1:35p	2:50a	1st
10	Tu	3:54a	7.7	4:33p	7.3	10:33a	1.2	11:05p	1.2	6:30a	8:11p	2:35p	3:22a	
11	We	4:49a	7.8	5:29p	7.6	11:32a	0.9			6:30a	8:12p	3:35p	3:53a	
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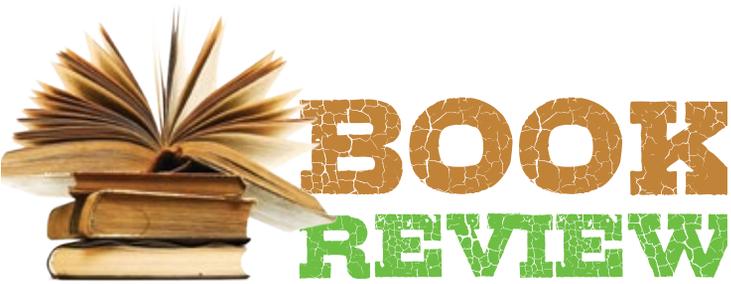


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BOOK REVIEW

By Nell Klein

APPLES NEVER FALL

By Liane Moriarty

I had this book on my bookshelf for quite a while, but for some unknown reason, I kept putting off reading it. It just didn't jump out at me. One day, after reading a really good book and not having anything lined up to read next, I pulled it off the shelf and decided to give it a try. I'm so very glad that I did! It's one of the best books I've read in quite a while. It's not a real short book, just under 500 pages, but I breezed through it in two days. I had trouble putting it down. Anyway, I'll get on with the story that I know you won't want to miss!

The Delaney family of six are a tennis family. Husband and wife team, Stan and Joy, started a tennis academy when their four children were born and the whole family got into the act. They even built a tennis court in their back yard for the kids to practice on and over the years the children brought home many, many trophies and titles. Stan and Joy also coached other children at the academy for years, with the hope of taking their team to Wimbledon one year. One of the main tennis players that Stan coached was Harry Haddad, who becomes a crucial character in the book in a lot of unpleasant ways.

Everything is going along well and then Stan and Joy decide to sell the academy and retire. It's a tough decision, but the children are all grown and living their own lives and it's time for them to settle down a bit. Amy, their oldest, is a bit of a nutcase who can't keep a job, Logan is a teacher who is estranged from his fiancé, Troy is a trader of some sort with lots of money, and baby Brooke is a physiotherapist with her own practice and also estranged from her husband, Grant. All in all, not a bad group of children.

Then one night, out of the blue, a girl named Savannah shows up at Stan and Joy's door with a bloody face and a sad story of an abusive boyfriend. Stan and Joy take her into their home, feed her and let her spend the night. Of course, one night grew into several weeks and the children were livid. How could their parents let this strange girl into their home? Well, Joy became enamored with Savannah. She cooked delicious food every day, cleaned the house and even did the laundry! What's not to like?

But of course, all was not rosy. The children began to do some investigating and what little they could find out about Savannah didn't sound very good. They finally convinced Stan and Joy to get rid of Savannah and the children were all happy again.

But later, after Stan and Joy have a fight one night, Stan leaves the house to cool off and when he returns, Joy is gone. After she hasn't shown back up days later, the children get the police involved. It looks bad for Stan because he doesn't seem to care in the slightest. Did Stan kill Joy and dispose of her body? Two of the children are leaning that way and the other two don't believe for one minute that Stan could kill their mother. Either way, they all love their father and are standing behind him no matter what. But where is Joy?

You don't have to like tennis (like me) or even understand tennis (like me) to enjoy this book. The story is full of mystery, humor, tragedy, and every other emotion you can think of. I loved every character and the way they interacted with each other. I easily give this book 5 roses and

I'm sure you will agree. It's just a really great read.

I hope that April showers will bring you many beautiful May flowers and until next time...

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SPORTS TEASER

By George Hassell

Hello Sports Teaser fans and welcome to the May edition. We are almost halfway through the year and that just means one thing: Labor Day will be here soon, and football will kick off. But let's not skip over this summer that quickly. It's going to be a busy one based on the spring break season on Tybee so far. I remember when there used to be some Tybee Time, but I'm not sure that's ever going to exist again. But enough of that, there's plenty of sports to get to, so let's do it.

I know that you've been on the edge of your seats waiting on my take on the 86th edition of the Masters. I was glued to my television for four consecutive days with a tub of pimento cheese plus two sandwiches from the tournament, courtesy of a good friend who understands my passion for this dairy product!

What's the Masters you say? Oh, just a little golf tournament two hours north of here in Augusta. I think you might have heard me mention it one or two or two hundred times in this column. Scottie Scheffler won his first major tournament and his fourth win in six tries on the tour this spring. He had a commanding lead on the second nine and was even able to four putt the 18th hole to win by three shots over a charging Rory McIlroy.

Despite this amazing accomplishment and his prowess on the course, it was Tiger Woods' week. After his near-death car crash 15 months ago, it was very doubtful that Tiger would ever walk again, much less play competitive golf. The fact that he was able to come to Augusta, play the Masters tournament, make the cut, and play 72 holes was nothing short of amazing and astounding. On Thursday he shot one under par and had a lot of us thinking that he might be able to compete to win. Reality sunk in a little bit as he shot two pairs of 78's over the weekend, but making the cut was quite an accomplishment. Watching him walk up 18 on Sunday to the roaring applause of the patrons was quite spectacular. No one could see that coming just a few weeks ago. On the 25th anniversary of Tiger's first win in 1997, the Masters did not disappoint and as I said, it was Tiger's show.

The boys of summer finally got started on April 7th and our World Champion Atlanta Braves received their World Series rings during opening weekend in Atlanta. If you haven't seen them, go look online as they are quite the bling. It was one hell of a ride last fall when the Braves won and hopefully, they will continue to dominate the National League East. The Mets and Phillies are much improved, and it should be a slugfest down to the wire at the end of September. Despite the lockout, we are here, and they are playing ball!

Winter sports are in the homestretch as we crowned a College Basketball National Champion in Kansas. North Carolina made an unexpected strong run (including sending Coach K to retirement in the semi-finals) to the final game and had a 16-point lead in the first half, but relinquished it to The Jayhawks. Kansas was a worthy champion from a season where there were 12 or 15 teams that could have won it all. South Carolina did the SEC proud by winning the Women's National Championship in convincing fashion.

The NBA and NHL playoffs are underway and, well, they're underway. I find it difficult to talk much about those sports coming off the Masters, the Braves back at it, and college and pro football on the horizon.

Well folks, that's a wrap on the May Sports Teaser, we will see you over the summer. Enjoy!

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Main Street Matters

By Cassidi Kendrick | Main Street/ Development Authority Director

Tybee Island is full of rich history and culture! From the historic homes, to the legacy businesses and locals whose families have been here for generations ... there is always a good story to be shared. To celebrate National Historic Preservation Month, the Tybee Island Historic Preservation Commission has created a scavenger hunt featuring historic landmarks all over the island. All month long, scavenger hunt cards can be picked up at the Tybee Island Lighthouse, in the gift shop or ticket booth. When completed, they can be turned back into the same location. Entry to the Lighthouse is not required to participate. At the end of the month, a winner will be drawn and awarded a prize!

You may have noticed a few of our Tybee businesses on the digital billboard in Thunderbolt on East Victory Drive. The Tybee Island Development Authority has launched a new cooperative billboard program open to local Tybee businesses to advertise on that billboard for a discounted rate. If you and your business are interested in participating, please email cassidi.kendrick@cityoftybee.org.

We are excited to share that we will be hosting our next Main Street Meet Up on May 10th at the Shops at Tybee Oaks! We hope to see you there for some helpful information about small business social media marketing tips, refreshments and networking with fellow Tybee Island business owners.

For the 35th time, the Tybee Beach Bum Parade is BACK! Mark your calendars for May 20th at 6:30PM for the biggest water fight in the south! The parade starts in the North Beach parking lot and ends all the way down on Tybrisa Street. This event is free for everyone, and guaranteed to be soaked with fun!

Last, but certainly not least, we have gotten an update from our friends at the Tybee Island Historical Society that the Lighthouse License Plate has successfully passed through the State House and Senate and is just awaiting a signature from the Governor. \$10 from each license plate produced will go back to the Historical Society to help with continuing efforts to preserve and maintain the Lighthouse.

The Development Authority/ Main Street Program is hard at work implementing the annual goals and projects for 2022! If you are interested in learning more about the Tybee Island Main Street Program or the Development Authority, don't hesitate to give me a shout! I can be reached at cassidi.kendrick@cityoftybee.org or at 912-472-5103.

HOME SWEET HOME

By Tommy Thompson

Food...Shelter...Clothing...we've been told are human's basic needs and in today's world you can satisfy these basic needs by logging onto Amazon, or some other warehousing/food service delivery system to have it delivered to your front door or post office box.

We've had order-in pizza, mail order clothing for years and yes, today there are manufactured homes that are delivered on a semi-trailer in "flat-pack" boxes that can be self-assembled to construct a basic home.

However, not many of us living in the USA and more specifically on Tybee Island, are content with a lifestyle of basic food, a basic home and wearing basic clothes.

What has made America great is the freedom we have to work for and achieve more than a basic lifestyle. Granted, there are people even here on Tybee that think that they are entitled, and that the US Government owes them a free ride.

Well, sweetheart there are no free lunches, free housing, free clothing, because the US Government does not earn any money, so anything that you get for free, your neighbors are paying for with their taxes.

Here on Tybee, we have a diverse, however lately a diminished selection of housing options, apartments, condos, duplexes, and single-family homes to choose from. Likewise, we have many restaurants, bars, eateries to satisfy your palate, and an abundant supply of casual clothing shops.

All it takes to avail yourself of more than the bare necessity of the basic human needs is to work (unless you have a trust-fund), live responsibly within your means, save some money every year and you can move from that studio apartment to a bigger place, and later into a home of your own.

Of course, if you win the GA Lottery you can leap-frog into a dream house overlooking the Atlantic, but don't count on that strategy...

I know it's not fashionable in this instant-gratification-digital-age, but for most of us, our parents, and grandparents, the process of obtaining a better quality of life was and is an iterative process.

For some people a new luxury car is more important than finding a nicer place to live...so if that's you...stop reading.

But, if enhancing your lifestyle includes a better home...dream big, work hard, be patient, pay your bills on time, live within your means, save your money and yes, there is always the GA Lottery.

In an earlier article, I referred to a study of "State of the Nation's Housing 2020" and upon reading through the study, as expected, Tybee housing was not specifically included and I didn't find it very enlightening.

However, I did find a study prepared by our own prestigious University of Georgia – Terry College of Business – Selig Center for Economic Growth. The study doesn't include Tybee, but it has Housing Market Data for Savannah that tracks Single Family and Multi-Unit buildings from 1985 – 2020.

If you're interested in the report, Google "Housing Market Data | Terry College of Business."

Remember, if you're lucky enough to live on Tybee, you're lucky enough....!

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Major Dick Winters, a member of the 101st Airborne and veteran of WWII, once told a story in which his grandson asked, “Grandpa, were you a hero during the war?” to which Winters replied, “No, but I served with heroes.” As someone who has had the great honor and privilege to serve the residents and guests of Tybee Island over the past twelve years, I’m proud to say that I too, stand alongside heroes. All too often, the deeds of these men and women are diminished by passersby who good-naturedly remark, “You must have the easiest job in the world.” While it is true that Tybee’s surf, sun and sand are considered employee benefits, a TIPD officer’s daily life involves plenty of unique challenges, moments of high stress and danger. Throughout our history as an agency, we’ve lost two officers in the line of duty. Another was killed while off duty, but actively serving with our department. Considering that May 15th is National Law Enforcement Memorial Day, I hope you’ll bear with me as I take a moment to remember each of these men.

- **Chief David Albert McCutchen, Sr.** – On Wednesday, April 10, 1963, Chief of Police David McCutchen responded to a local residence in reference to a report of a Burglary in progress. Unbeknownst to the Chief, the homeowner had returned from vacation earlier than expected. After mistaking Chief McCutchen for an intruder, the homeowner shot and killed him. He was not charged in connection with the death.
- **LT. Clyde Wilson Alley, III** – On Monday, April 10, 1999, LT. Alley and his partner were conducting surveillance when they spotted four people wanted for questioning in a series of recent car break-ins. When the officers attempted to stop the suspect vehicle, it fled the scene. During the course of the subsequent pursuit, LT. Alley’s police vehicle struck two palm trees along Highway 80, killing him instantly. A suspect turned himself in two days later and was later convicted of Vehicular Manslaughter.
- **CPL. Tron Lewis** – Officer Tron Lewis joined the Tybee Island Police Department in 2016 and was instantly well liked and respected by both the members of our agency and the community. When asked, Chief Bryson remarked that Lewis was someone who “always went above and beyond the call of duty.” Less than a year later, on April 8, 2017, Lewis was killed in a motorcycle accident while on his way to coach a children’s soccer team. In honor of the huge impact he had on the island during his brief time as a member of the agency, Tron Lewis was posthumously promoted to the rank of Corporal.

While these numbers may seem insignificant to some, trust me when I say that for an agency of our size they are high. Every time one of our officers suits up and climbs into that patrol car, they do so with the knowledge that it may be for the last time. Yet, they keep coming. Again and again, day after day, reporting for duty and prepared to do their part in keeping our community as safe as possible. I don’t expect you to thank them for their service. That’s not what they do it for. Just smile, wave or take a moment to stop, introduce yourself and say hello. They love it when you say hello.

TYBEE'S BEACH BUM PARADE IS BACK, BABY!!

By Alaina Loughridge and Margie McLellan - Photos by Wen McNally

After two long years of suffering, we finally get one of our favorite parades back! Beach Bum! The best water fight in the land! Going hand in hand with that is the worst kept secret in the land, the cast of characters to lead us down the road. This year, it is with enormous pride that the Committee announces **Jeremy Jay Altman** to be our **Grand Marshall**. **Joseph Rudy Rudon** is our **Big Kahuna**, and our one **Queen** to rule them all is **Amorette Zittrauer**. We sat down with our reigning court and asked them some pretty tough important questions:



Jay Altman – Grand Marshall
Tybee Life: 11 years
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Tybee Life: 22 years
Passion: Life
Love Best About Tybee: Alaina
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Amorette Zittrauer – Queen
Tybee Life: 62 years
Passion: God, family and friends
Love Best About Tybee: My home and people
Spirit Animal: My dog Sugar Baby



This is a one-of-a-kind all-out water gun fight that is fun for the entire family. Every float will be loaded down with an abundance of water and beach bums with one purpose - to get you wetter than they get. If you plan on being here, you WILL get wet, no ifs ands or buts.

With that in mind, there are a few rules of etiquette that you may need to know:

- 1. Do not, under any circumstance, spray water at our Police!!** They are here to keep you safe. They are also wearing very expensive equipment. This will cost you dearly – not only will you miss out on the rest of the parade, but this will land you in court with a hefty fine. So just don't do it.
- 2. Bring plenty of water.** The water in your water gun will last somewhere around 5-10 seconds. Some ideas are: put water in your coolers, load a wagon with containers of water, get there early enough to park your car or truck along the parade route and have it filled with containers of water. If all else fails, find someone to buddy up to that brought plenty of water, and become fast friends with them.
- 3. Keep your valuables safe.** A ziploc baggie or a sealed container works well to protect your phones, wallets, cameras, cigarettes, etc. Or better yet, leave them at home or in your car.
- 4. Do not use ice water in your water gun.** Brrrr!! The parade doesn't start until dusk, so it's already starting to cool down. It's just downright mean people!
- 5. Keep an eagle eye on your children.** There is a lot of traffic, tourists, drunk people, etc. Keep those little ones safe while they are having fun.
- 6. Bring towels and/or a change of clothes.** Believe me, you will be wet and cold when the parade is over. Come prepared.
- 7. Make sure your water guns are in good working order.** Nothing worse than getting to the parade and having your line of protection fail you. Might be a good idea to bring back ups.
- 8. No pressure washers or water balloons are allowed.** We are here to have fun, not endanger people.
- 9. Drink responsibly.** I'm sure this will fall on a lot of deaf ears, but try to wait until the parade is over to get your drinking on. Just don't want anyone getting in trouble! Yes, I'm talking to you ... you know who you are.
- 10. Have FUN and get wet!**

We will see you on the streets, **Friday, May 20th**. The parade is from 6:30-8:30pm. Don't forget about the coronation too! This year it will be held Wednesday, May 11 at the American Legion!

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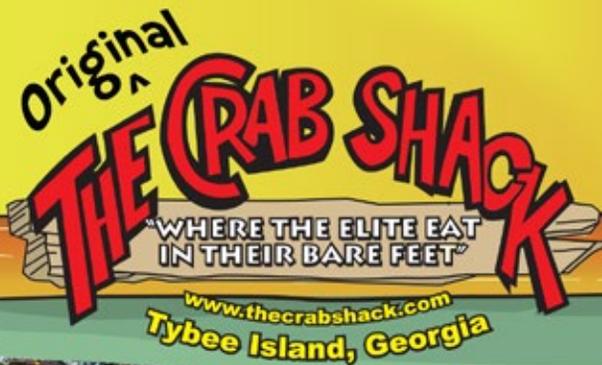
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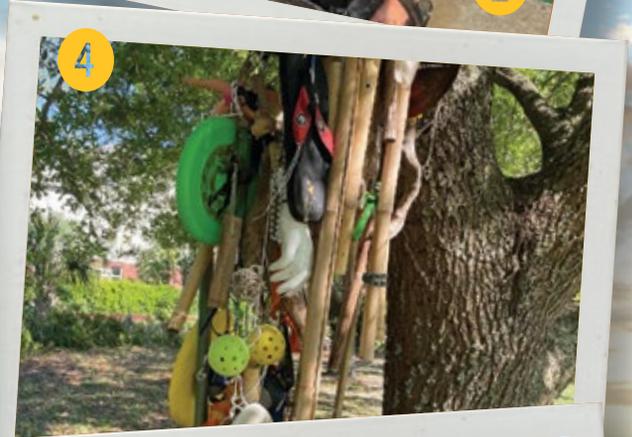
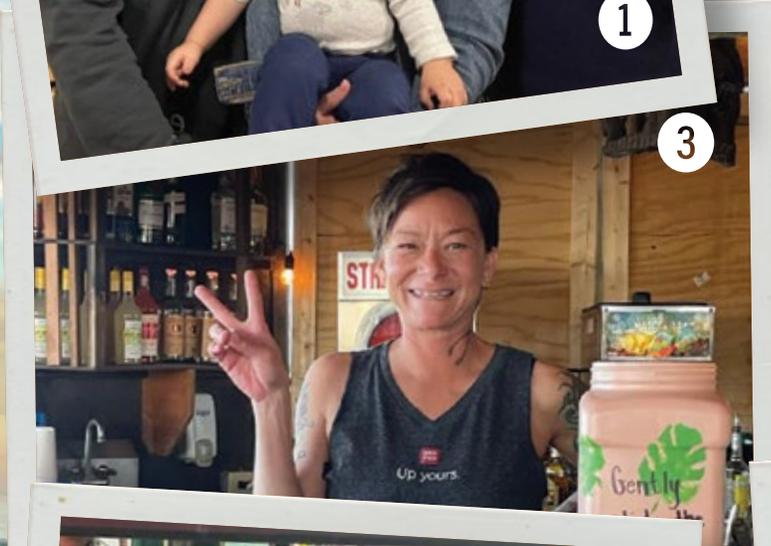
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BE BOPPIN' WITH BLAIR

By Blair Whalen



1 I ran into this awesome family! **Rocky, Mary Kate, and Dabney** at *Raw*. I was so excited to finally get to meet their sweet baby boy, **Beckett**.

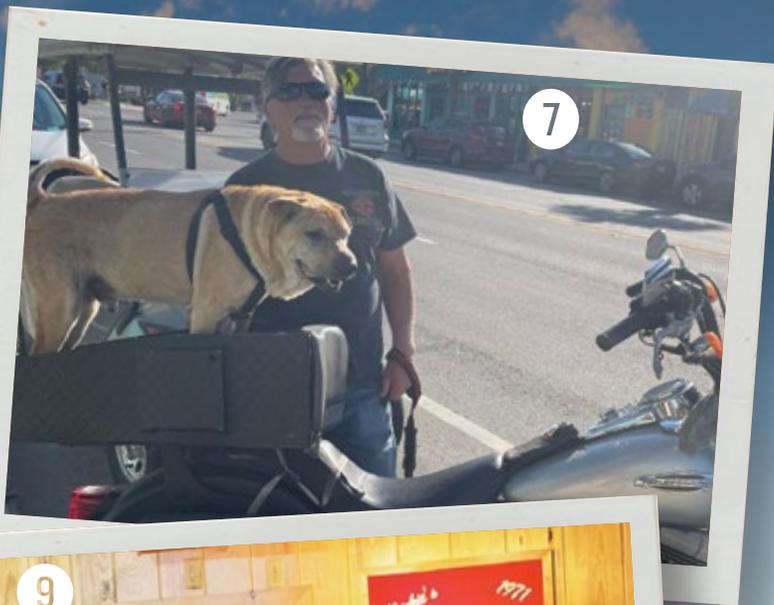
2 I couldn't resist getting a pic of this precious pup, **Molly**, learning to ride with her dad, **Michael**! So adorable!!

3 After a beautiful day on the beach, a few of us stopped by the *Riptide Bar* to go get some refreshing drinks from **Joy**. I found this awesome collection of items hanging in *JC Park*. I can't wait to go back and add something to it!

4 I had a blast watching **Jay and Joe T.** letting **Kinsley** get a little crazy behind the wheel.

5 While enjoying a walk, I got to watch **Holland, Mark and Ricardo** play *disc golf*. We have learned that I should stick with throwing darts.

6 I talked to **Glenn** while he got **Scoot** ready to go for a ride. No one loves their dog more than this guy!!



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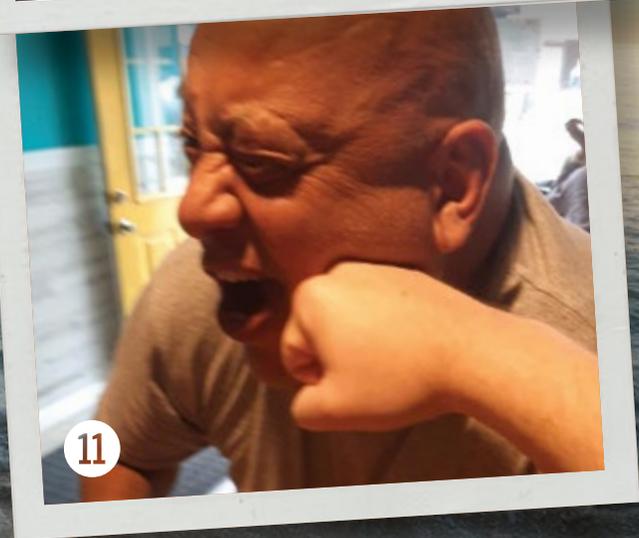
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7 Someone caught this little guy while fishing on *Fisherman's Walk*. Don't worry! We released him back into the water!

8 Congratulations to three time *Tybee Island Dart League Champions* - **Gerald, Candace, Randy, Michael, and Bruce!** AKA "Banging the Neighbors." Photo credit to Catalina Quick.

9 I finally convinced myself to go watch the **sunrise** after three years. Now, I want to go all the time!! Do yourself a favor and get up and get a spot and watch it.

10 **Breezy Joey** was just doing to **Ken** what every single one of us want to do to him on the daily.

11 This is **Mac** having his first shot of **Rumple Minz** ever. It was a defining moment for everyone involved. No one has seen him for a week, so be on the lookout, y'all!

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FISHING FOR A BOMB

By Brett Lay

Tybee Island - 1960 - Off the coast from the Tybee Pier

"We've got something big," the young deck hand said as he wiped the sweat from his glowing red face with the tail of his dingy tee shirt. The logo of a long-forgotten rock band was stained dark gray with the sweat of a long day at sea.

The captain didn't want to hear this. They had already lost time getting off the dock this morning, and they certainly couldn't afford any more delays. His normal crew could've probably helped him figure something out, but they all bailed on him last night. Tybee's strong pouring bartenders did quite a number on them. But, being pressed for cash, he didn't have much choice in the matter, he took what help he could get. And what he could get was less than ideal.

"Jerry, I don't have any time for your jokes," the captain said, as he chewed the end of his unlit cigar.

"But Gator, I'm not joking."

Gator grumbled as he switched the cigar from side to side in his mouth. It was funny to hear a kid call him Gator. In his opinion, it should be Captain, not Gator.

"Alright, I'll come take a look at it," he said, and walked to the edge of the boat.

Just as Jerry had said, the winch was struggling, near to the point of smoking, the stress from the resisting load nearly pulling it off the ship's deck.

He flipped it off and removed his cap from his head and slapped it across the control panel of the winch. He then screamed a few choice words to nobody in particular and tossed the cap to the ground.

"Guess we're going to have to drag it. We can't get it up," Gator mused to himself as he scratched the back of his head.

Jerry giggled.

Gator smacked Jerry on the back of his head with his cap that he retrieved from the deck.

"Grow up kid," he growled.

"What is the problem, boss," said a grizzled man that emerged from a haze of smoke on the bridge. His thick Russian accent made him a little difficult to understand. At least, it sounded like boss. His skin was leathery and dark, and his eyes were hidden behind mirrored aviator glasses. A cigarette hung on for dear life from his bottom lip.

"Mac, we got something caught up in the net. It's something big, the winch can't get it," Gator said as he waved his hand hopelessly towards the starboard side of the boat.

Mac scowled. Gator thought this was a great first voyage for him. First day on the water and they were barely able to earn their keep.

"I'm sorry, but we're going to have to head back in. We just can't do anymore today. I'll still pay you."

Those words hurt. Hurt his pocketbook, but hurt nonetheless.

"Is probably just old engine block. I will check," Mac said as he started to pull off his own sweaty shirt.

Just then Jerry's father, Oscar, approached them from the stern of the ship. He was the reason Gator had even let Jerry come on the ship. Oscar wanted him to get some experience doing some hard work, as he said he thought his boy was too soft. Being a

military man, he didn't appreciate slothfulness in his son.

Oscar and Gator had met at the bar the night before, and he had shown a lot of interest in Gator's little shrimper boat. He had asked a lot of questions about his voyages and was especially interested in seeing if he could join one.

Gator was happy to talk, so long as Oscar was buying the beers while they shot pool. While they played, Oscar said he wanted to see what it was

like out on the ocean, as he and his family were visiting the islands on vacation. Normally Gator wouldn't allow it, but he could see his normal hands drinking a little heavier than usual that night, and it wouldn't hurt to have a little insurance.

Wouldn't be the first time.

Oscar revealed that he was in the military during their game.

Gator had agreed to let him come after his fifth beer of the night, and Oscar's offer to work for free, but he hadn't known that Oscar was going to bring company. The more the better, he guessed. Free labor? Priceless.

Mac snapped Gator back to reality as he lumbered to the railing. He had already stripped down to just his shorts and was getting ready to jump in the water. Gator noticed that he held an odd metal



object in his left hand about the size of an electric razor. It wasn't like anything he'd ever seen.

"It doesn't seem like a great idea to dive in the ocean out here, you don't even have any scuba gear," Oscar observed as Mac straddled the edge of the craft, ready to plunge into the brown waters.

Gator noticed that Oscar kept his eyes trained on the device in Mac's hand. He wondered why Mac was so quick to volunteer to go check it out. Didn't he know how murky the water was here? You can't see a foot in front of your face in these silty waters.

Thinking back, Mac was definitely a strange character. He didn't even put an ad in the paper for him. He just sort of appeared when he needed help. He was quick to volunteer to go join them this morning and was even willing to take the first voyage for half what anyone else on the island would accept.

Gator was thinking this man was possibly not altogether in the head. He decided to try to talk him out of what he considered to be a suicide mission.

"You don't have to do that. It's almost time to head back anyhow. We can pull it to the dock and check it out. I can get a professional diver there," Gator pleaded, too tired to deal with anything more today. He was ready to just get back to shore and have a beer.

He was also ready to get rid of this crew of misfits. He was going to have to start being pickier with his shipmates, even if it cost him a few extra dollars.

"I dive. Is not difficult for man with experience," Mac said, as he turned his back to them.

Gator had had enough. Eccentricities were one thing, being responsible for a drowned man was a whole other kettle of fish.

"You maniac, that's a death wish. Don't you dare jump," Gator commanded as he strode towards Mac.

This man was clearly mad.

"Oh no, I must go check," Mac said, as he raised the metal device to his face. It snapped around his head in a strange way Gator had never seen. What was this? One of those science fiction movies his nephew liked to watch?

Suddenly, Oscar sprang into action. He pulled from his own waistband a metal object very similar to the one that Mac had had in his hand. But his was slightly different. He pointed the object directly at Mac's chest.

Jerry ran from his position and wrapped his arms around Mac and pulled him to the deck.

Gator was shocked as the boy expertly dropped the man.

Oscar then pulled what looked to be a trigger on the device, and a bright beam of light cracked out and engulfed both Jerry and Mac. They both immediately vanished from sight.

Gator's jaw dropped; he had no idea how to respond.

Oscar didn't give him the chance. He turned to Gator and revealed a jewel encrusted badge.

"I know you have questions. Just suffice it to say I do work for the military, and I'm from a future, but not yours. What you had in that net would've destroyed everything. Mac here was to make sure of that. Take us to the Coast Guard. We have some people there who'll take care of this 'Tybee Bomb'. But you can never speak of this event again, even on your deathbed. Which, thankfully, will now be many years from now."

Gator did as he was told, and as far as anyone knew from that day forward, the Tybee Bomb would never be found.



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Sam

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DAY DRAANKING

With Alaina Loughridge and Blair Whalen
Special Appearance by our DD: Charlie Brown
Pictures by Alaina, John Yarbrough, Scott Naftzger and a couple of other
people that I don't recall – it's all a little hazy

So, the BC has been trying to run a good, solid cocktail contest for the last four years. The first two years were kind of a kick start to see how it would fly and we were just getting going and then Covid happened and all went awry. I decided to hell with this and I was just going to make it happen and bend it to my will. As Day Drinking is a total thing here on Tybee, and having never done it before (lie), I decided to gather that red headed ginger snap, Grizzly Blair, and go out and about. She roped a clearly dying-of-boredom Charlie Brown into being our designated driver (bless his heart) and off we went. Here is my story and more than likely my last will and testament: It was a dark and stormy day...

My list was 15 bars long. Now granted, that is not even all the bars on Tybee, but we love our people and here is how it went down. We were supposed to start at noon, but Blair had been drinking apple whiskey (barf) the night before and we got off to a late start. I had to get some grease in her and **Spanky's** was the perfect place! Chicken fingers and spuds! Angel threw in a "**Tybee Blue Moon**" (the reason we were on this adventure) and off we went. This delightful cocktail was made with vodka, coconut rum, pineapple and blue curacao. It was not only gorgeous, it was also delicious. Totally a five out of five-star experience!

Blair was not perking up, but I was! We walked out of Spanky's, turned left and walked the 15 feet into **Tybee Time**. Yippee for daiquiri time! Tatum gave us her go-to, which we called a "**Drunken Monkey**," but that is really not the name of it. Throwing some White Ukraine in with some Banana and rounding the topper off with a Kahlua floater, that daiquiri was not only fabulous, it was sneaky! One of those cocktails where if you don't go to the bathroom every 15 minutes, when you do stand up, you will be declaring your sobriety as you free fall to the floor. Good times there.

Blair was slowly getting happier and I was feeling frisky as we rounded the Christy's corner and set off for **Wind Rose**. Tish was working and looked at us in horror as I explained the situation. The pressure of it all! Tish served up a "**Tybee Island Punch**" in its own personalized fun cup (Just the Tip) and it was perfection! It is a classic beach scene. It's got liquor and juice and it made us giggle like kids. Off we go boys and girls! Let the good times roll!

Charlie was hanging in like a super trooper. Blair was getting fun and I was feeling extremely happy about how hard my job really was. We walked out of the Rose and turned left. **Benny's** was next and Amanda was working! Love her face! Amanda was on point too! She served up a Svedka peach scene with blue raspberry vodka, clementine, orange juice, sprite and grenadine. We christened it "**Behind the Curtain**." It was amazing and just writing about it makes me want one ... or five. Oh, and I have no idea what 'clementine' is, but it's really yummy and I highly recommend it. I could probably Google it, but that's not my job.

We cruised out of Benny's and turned left. **Nickie's** beckoned. Eight feet later, we took a sharp left and lo and behold, Lee Lee was hanging 10. She concocted the "**Captain Hook**" and I gotta say, that drink was The One! It wasn't too sweet or too pink or too fluffy or too anything! It was perfect and I was going to order another ... until I remembered I had eight more bars to go. It involved a scooch of Captain Morgan, a scattering of Malibu, a splish of pineapple, a splash of sprite and a sprinkling of lime. There may have been cyanide in there. I loved it!

Now, I was feeling super pleased with myself. Blair was happy we were going to The Sand Bar and I think Charlie was just happy the day was moving along so he could get away from the two of us. We exited Nickie's and ambled 20 feet across the street to **The Sand Bar**. Lea was bartending and smacked down the "**Shark Bite**." This cocktail consisted of lemon vodka, lemonade, sprite, a smidgen of blue and a dash of grenadine. Yum! Now, the games can really begin. I do believe that drink was my personal tipping point. Might want to check with Charlie. He would know more. But not too funky to quit!

Chamaco's was next and as I bellied up to the bar to dive into a "**Rhootman's Berry Bliss**," I was thinking life is good! The Rhootman made it even better! El Mayor Blanco tequila, wild berry coconut mint shrub and some other secret scooches of this and that will put a spring in your step and a smile on your face! Definitely a do not miss cocktail! While you're there, have a taco. It's important to keep up your strength when you are on a mission.

Sundae Café called and I had already scheduled a hot date with Doug for the "**Dougendorff Martini**" and I was not going to be the one to not show up for that! Doug and I go way back on this cocktail. It was our mutual 'I love you' moment. Probably more on my behalf than his. It's all yummy vodka with a purple flair. The presentation was perfect and so is this cocktail! I was going to have another, but you know. My job. We had to go. Charlie poured us into the golf cart and off we went!

---This story is temporarily out of service. We are working on the problem and should be back on the page soon --- maybe next month.



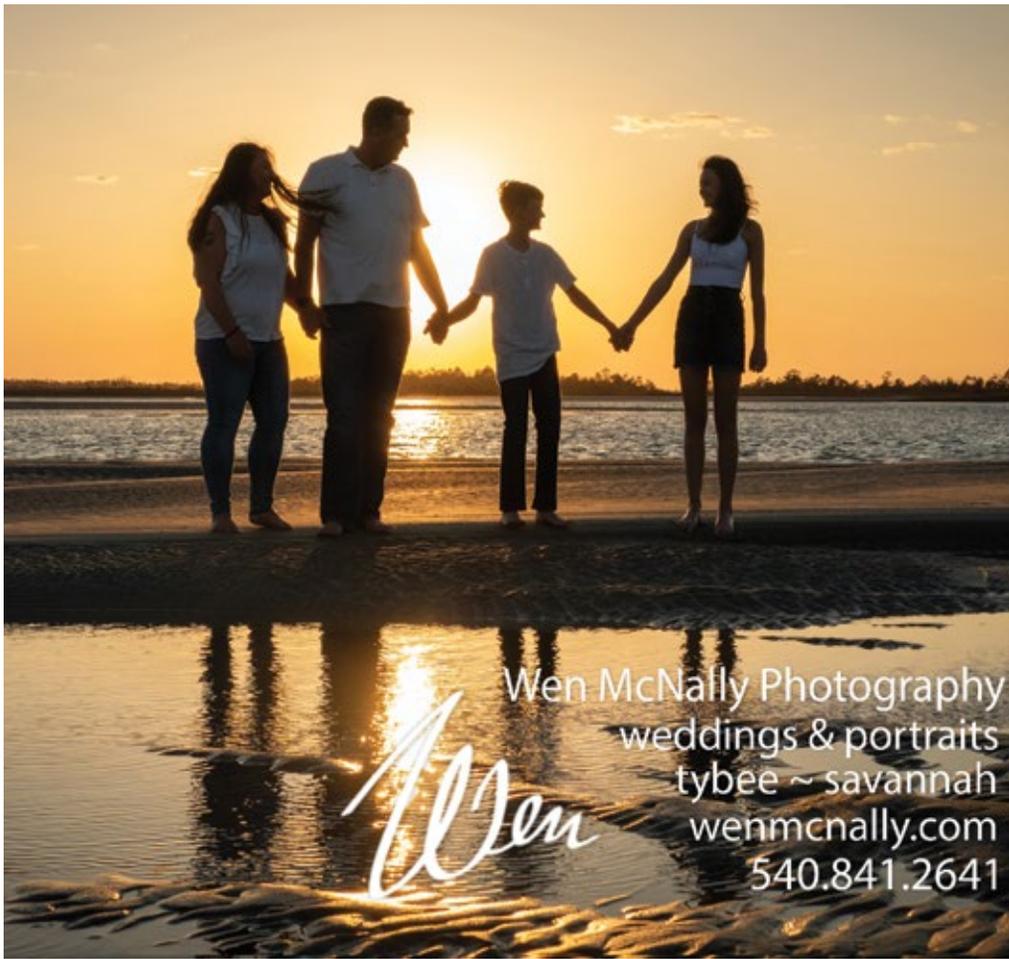
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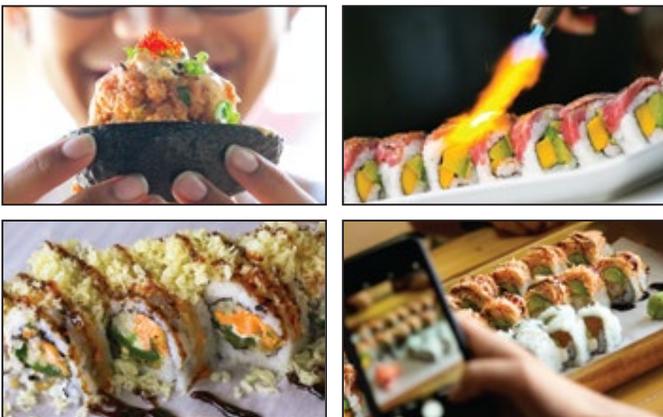
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FOOD SPY

By Alaina Loughridge - Photos by Betsey Jenkins

RAW

Even if you think you don't like sushi, hang in with me for a minute and let me wax lyrical about how amazing RAW's menu really is. The boys at RAW have absolutely cornered the market on yummy and fresh, and include such a variety of options to please everyone that you can't not find something to tickle your pickle. Let's get started with something simple...

The Spicy Tuna Avocado Bowl is a perfect springboard of an appetizer to get you all prepped and ready for the main entrée. Two huge avocados are served up slap full with spicy tuna and drizzled with RAW's own special spicy mayo. It's got a kick to it, but even though I'm sissy weak, it was the perfect blend for me – not too hot where your tongue regrets being a part of you.

Our next dish up was the **Lava Roll** and yippee!!! Described on the menu as 'shrimp, cream cheese, cucumber and avocado with baked spicy kani, and scallops on top' what it actually is all of the above in a big, beautiful pile of get in my belly! Chopsticks are not required. It was the 'baked' part of the kani (shredded crab meat with various veggies) that got me. It's flat out good and an excellent option for those non-raw fish lovers out there.

The Thai Mango Beef Roll, Diamond Roll and Ol' Bae Roll all rolled up on a cutting board that was just simply a work of art. A moment of silence

was held as we tried to figure out where to start. We started with the **Thai Mango** because it had a fat lump of steak on the top that had been drizzled in chili sauce and was perfectly sitting on top of a shrimp, avocado and mango situation. Again, not your typical sushi roll, but with a carnivoric (totally just created a new word there) flair that includes the kitchen sink.

The **Diamond Roll** was waiting and this one is a little funky. A spicy tuna scene with kani and yellowtail inside, with Tobiko on top. Tobiko is a red and black fish roe, which is fish eggs. Didn't think I would be a fan, but it's tasty – not overwhelmingly fishy, more complimentary to the entire roll. It was just a little outside of my realm.

Dipped into the **Ol' Bae Roll** after that. A shrimp tempura, spicy kani and avocado roll topped with a big ol' slab of salmon. That was totally in my realm and Betsey and I had a chopstick fight over exactly what each one of us thought was a 50/50 split.

While all of this was happening, we were also happily drinking away. RAW offers a very nice selection of **Bubble Teas** and are all revitalizing. There are also a number of **domestic and imported beers** available and of course, **Saki!** RAW served us up some Joto Yuzu, a prized Japanese citrus fruit that is blended with Saki and is surprisingly refreshing. It also goes with everything, and was christened **Ishiyuzu**. A definite must consume.

A new outdoor patio has just been created for additional seating and the overall vibe of the place is just chilled out and enjoyable. The options for rolls are endless and can seriously put the pickiest eater in their place. You're not just limited to rolls though. Make your own salad or bowl to match your own unique taste or to create something new to try.

RAW is located at 18 Tybrisa Street and is open Monday through Saturday from 12-9pm and on Sundays from 1-9pm. Their twin sister, RIPE, which is located next door, will be opening very soon and we will have that conversation soon after!

In the meantime, RAW is also hiring cool, laid-back individuals. Pay is great and the best part? Free shifties! Apply or stop by today!





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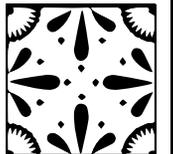


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What's happening in May By Mom

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5-2, 5-9, 5-16, 5-23, & 5-30 Evening Chat with the City Manager 7-8pm online at <https://bit.ly/eveningchat>. Meeting ID: 845 6121 7790 and Passcode: 904050.

5-6 Alex Lopez and Crystal Shawanda 8-10pm at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. Contemporary Blues playing for you here. For all events go to www.tybeeposttheater.org or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

5-6, 5-13, 5-20, & 5-27 Coffee and Conversation with the City Manager 9-10am at Memorial Park screened pavilion behind City Hall. Zoom is no longer an option.

5-7 Brand New Day: Tribute to Sting & The Police 8-10pm at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. If you love Sting & The Police, come check this out. For all events go to www.tybeeposttheater.org or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

5-8 Mother's Day Happy Mother's Day!!

5-12 Chatham Rabbits 8-10pm at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. This husband-wife couple, Austin and Sarah McCombie, bring you traditional folk music. For all events go to www.tybeeposttheater.org or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

5-14 Blair Crimmins and The Hookers 8-10pm at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. Time for New Orleans Jazz, Ragtime, and Dixieland. For all events go to www.tybeeposttheater.org or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

5-14 World Migratory Bird Day Did you know that nocturnal birds are also affected by artificial light just like our turtles? Who knew that when we turn off the lights for the turtles we are also helping the birds? Sounds like a win-win to me.

5-20 Tommy Ryman – Comedian 8-10pm at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. We all need a great laugh! Come listen to the semi-finalist of Last Comic Standing. For all events go to www.tybeeposttheater.org or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

5-20 Endangered Species Day The top ten critically endangered species from a list of 41,415 animals are Javan Rhinoceros, Vaquita, Mountain Gorilla, Tiger, Asian Elephant, Orangutans, Leatherback Turtles, Snow Leopards, Irrawaddy Dolphins, and Bluefin Tuna. This info is according to the International Union of Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) Red list of threatened species.

5-20 Beach Bum Parade 6:30-8pm. Join in on Tybee Island's famous Beach Bum Parade that will travel the length of Butler Ave. What could be more fun than an Island wide water fight?! More information on www.tybeeisland.com.

5-21 & 5-22 Tybee Ballet Spring Showcase: Threads of Love 6pm on 5-21 and 3pm on 5-22 at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. Tybee Ballet Theatre brings you the theme of love and dance. For all events go to www.tybeeposttheater.org or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

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