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- Collect seashells and shark teeth
- Do a Beach Sweep
- Visit the Tybee Island Lighthouse and Fort Screven
- Watch a sunrise and a sunset on the beach
- Go on a dolphin tour
- Visit Fort Pulaski
- Go Fishing! (deep sea fishing, surf fishing, pier fishing)
- Rent a golf cart
- Visit the Marine Science Center
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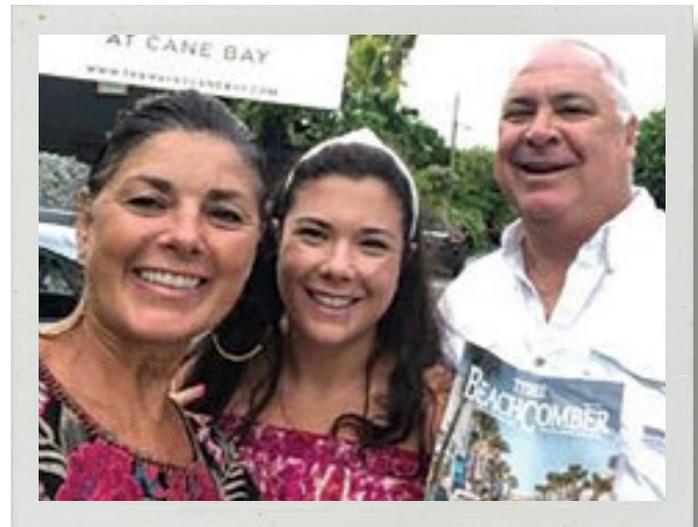
Yippee!!! It's Thanksgiving month and I love November! I love the weather and I love the food! November doesn't really expect a whole lot from you other than cooking and dishes and aren't you doing that anyway?? November is also the giving month and there are several fundraisers going on and different projects you can become involved in. There are also a lot of different fun events happening that you definitely need to put on your calendar!

One of my favorite fundraisers is the **Marine Rescue Squadron's annual BBQ Butt Sale!** This is a yearly event and I always drop the ball, so this year I'm on it!! November 11th & 12th are the dates this year. 8am to 8pm. Pickup is at the MRS Shack as always and it's first come first serve! Get there early. It gets pretty crazy when they get down to the remnants.

There is also a **Music Fest, an Art Tour, the Pickle Run, a Holiday Market** and my personal fave, "**The Lighting of the Shrub!**" Don't miss out on any of the events! Check out our Life's a Beach page somewhere between here and there.

**The Traveling BC winners** for November took us along with them to **St. Croix!** We do love our sun and surf! Congratulations to **Ann Carroll, Chelsea Bremer and John Bremer!** Thanks for the vacation and we will see you at A-J's!!

O.K. Let's get our November face on! Make me a drink and let's turn the page...



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## Nov 2022 Tide Chart

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Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
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2	We	3:53a 7.7	4:39p 8.6	10:21a 1.1	11:07p 0.7	7:42a	6:33p	3:36p	1:34a	
3	Th	4:56a 8.1	5:38p 8.6	11:28a 0.9		7:43a	6:33p	4:09p	2:41a	
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# 15 Tips for a Perfect Thanksgiving Din Din

By Alaina, Mac & Margie ... Over Several Cocktails and Giggles, and channeling Jummy Prosser

- 1. Buy a turkey.** It does not matter what size it is or how many people you are anticipating.
- 1.5. Go to liquor store.**
- 2. Dress your turkey.** This involves you sticking your hand into the turkey's butt and scooping out the innards. Season the bird using everything you have in your cupboard. Whether that be hot sauce or tartar sauce it matters not! Be creative!! You also have to rub butter into the meat skin. We recommend making popcorn and using that extra butter. Don't wear gloves. Butter is an excellent moisturizer.
- 3. Fix a cocktail.** You must be exhausted by now.
- 4. Oops! You forgot your turkey pan!** Don't fret – put that bird on a cookie sheet. It will be fine. Turkey juice is so overrated.
- 5. Think about going to the IGA for a pumpkin pie.** Because a.) You don't know how to make one and b.) You don't have time. You're very busy.
- 6. Open your Cranberry Sauce can.** Cut into bits so no one sees the rings and you can tell everyone it is homemade.
- 7. Fix another drink.**
- 8. Put the turkey in the oven.**
- 9. Take a nap.**
- 10. Time for stuffing!!** Wipe the dust off your box of Stove Top and ignore the expiration date (those are more like guidelines anyway).
- 11. Take the turkey back out of the oven.** Empty the plastic bag of Stove Top into the turkeys butt.
- 12. Turn the oven on.** The temperature need not concern you. It will be fine.
- 13. Put the turkey back in the oven and make another cocktail.**
- 14. Oh crap!! The GRAVY!!!** It should come out like a big, solid ball. That makes it easier to spread it all over the place.
- 15. Assume relatives and friends will bring sides.**

Wah-Lah!!! Now it is time to sit back and enjoy all of your hard work and your healthy buzz. Compliments to the Chef will be endless! Call us for more useful tips on surviving a holiday. Or any day.

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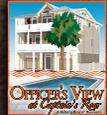
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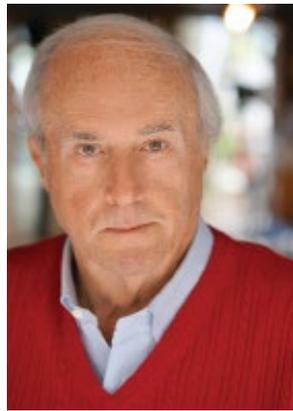
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# Life on the Bike Path

By John O'Neill

Well, hey everybody! It's your ole pal, Johnny O, here. Glad to be back in the saddle with a brand new perspective on life in paradise. Life on Second Avenue, aka "The Bike Path," is a 24/7 hoot, to say the least. I've spent over forty years here so you can imagine the stories that I have to tell, and not just stories, but observations and perspectives as well. What I expect to share with you in the coming months and years in this space will include heartwarming relationships and a whole bunch of Butterbean accounts that we have experienced right here over the years.

Having set the stage, so to speak, let's jump right in by defining just what the bike path is all about. First of all, the bike path is not just for bikes, even though the cyclists believe that the road belongs to them, and them alone. The Avenue is host to walkers, joggers, pet lovers, motor vehicles and GOLF CARTS.

This is a great time to talk about the golf carts. Several things you need to know about golf cart operations on the bike path: First of all, cart freaks are under the impression that the maximum age for driving a golf cart on Second Avenue is fourteen...that's 14...you heard correctly. Further, they are convinced that in order to safely navigate the neighborhoods, it is a requirement that the driver and ALL passengers be glued to their cell phones at all times. As you might imagine, this could present several challenges. The first of which is stop signs. For the youngsters driving these things, stop signs represent a mere "suggestion." Slowing down to 20 is perfectly acceptable.

Over the last, I would say five years, cyclists have become more rabid. You've all seen em...riding three or four abreast and absolutely refusing to ride in single file, causing traffic snarls and bad attitudes. I personally think it is a mistake for a tourist on a bike to challenge a local in a car, but that's just my opinion.

On the causeway to the island GDOT has posted signs saying, "share the road." It's all warm and fuzzy, isn't it? I'm not afraid to say it: Anyone who rides a bicycle on the Tybee Road is an idiot. Oops! I certainly hope that didn't come across as being insensitive in any way. As most of you are aware, I am known as "Mr. Political Correctness!" LOL!

Hope you all have a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving, and I look forward to seeing you here each month as we celebrate the Tybee life. Now, in the words of that great philosopher, Dirty Dan, "I'm gonna do something the devil won't do for ya...I'm gonna leave Ya."

*John O'Neill is a character actor known for 'The Glorias,' 'The Crickets Dance,' 'The Lady Makers,' and the smash Netflix hit series 'Outer Banks.'*

# SHOPS AT TYBEE OAKS



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# LAST SEEN ALIVE

## MOVIE REVIEW

By Alaina Loughridge

I'm not sure if I dropped the ball on this one or saved y'all some dullsville. I'll let you decide after you read what went down.

So, everyone knows I have this **Gerard Butler** problem. Well, unbeknownst to me, he was actually in the Rincon area for a month or two filming his Netflix production of *Last Seen Alive*. Being the intrepid reporter that I am, I discovered this little factoid the day the film wrapped. I was super disappointed in my stalking abilities, because an interview would have been great and time in jail would have been worth it. I have berated myself over this situation for over a year now. It didn't help that Ken Moser found out before I did and pointed it out to me on Facebook. Sigh.

The movie finally became streamable and Netflix is my new bff. When I saw the film listed there yesterday and it was free, well I did my happy dance. Approximately 20 minutes into this movie, I was not dancing but rather day drinking and here is why: The story line is not new – wife/girlfriend disappears at a gas station. It didn't help that I really didn't like the wife, played by Jaimie Alexander. She was not likeable at all, so when she went missing, I really didn't care. Yeah, it wasn't right, but she was hateful and she cheated on Gerard. You cheat with Gerard not on Gerard. Jeez. Lots of hillbillies and running through the woods to follow. Sweating and cussing and screaming followed that. Sigh.

I give this movie one bottle of Dom Perignon 2003 Plentitude Brut at the rock bottom price of \$599.99 per bottle because it is Gerard and then I'm handing out four bottles of warm Carlos and Rossi warm Chablis (you know – the big ass four-liter bottles) because I could have written a better script clutching a crayon in my left hand.

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# Foodie Finds

By Rick Wade

## Rick Wade's Taste of Tuscany Bruschetta

As I sit and savor these rustic, tasty bites, I escape to somewhere warm and sunny. I imagine sitting on a blanket in a field overlooking the farms, vineyards, and olive trees somewhere in remote Tuscany. Then I open my eyes and realize I am still in the rainy, cold Pacific Northwest .... sigh.

### Note:

SIPPING your favorite red wine while prepping is a must! However, a word of caution: Blurry vision, knives, and fire do not mix, so proceed with caution ... or abandon. You decide.



### Ingredients:

- 6 medium Roma tomatoes
- 3-4 cloves of garlic (minced)
- Fresh Basil (a small handful will do)
- Balsamic Vinegar (Modena is best, but use your fave)
- Extra Virgin Olive oil, divided
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 French baguette
- Fresh mozzarella (thinly sliced 10-15 slices)
- 10-15 slices of Prosciutto di Parma (sliced rice paper thin)
- Balsamic Glaze

### Instructions:

- Prepare your tomatoes a few hours before you plan to eat to allow the flavors of the

ingredients to marry.

- Dice the Roma tomatoes into about ¼ inch size and place into bowl with a sealable lid. Mince or grate the garlic cloves and add to the tomatoes.
- In groups of 8-10, leaf the basil and roll them up. While still rolled, slice into little rounds. This is called “chiffonade” and when the slices are unrolled, you have nice strips of basil. Reserve about half the strips and add the rest to the bowl.
- Add to the bowl the olive oil and balsamic vinegar, to taste.
- Add salt and pepper to taste.
- Gently stir to combine and distribute the ingredients.
- Cover the bowl with lid and refrigerate for a couple hours until ready to assemble.
- Over the next couple hours, stir the tomato mixture occasionally and taste, adding balsamic vinegar, salt and pepper as needed.
- Prepare the bread by cutting thin to medium slices on the diagonal. You will want to make sure you have about 4-5 pieces per person if this is a meal. If they are hors d'oeuvres, then make as many as you can.
- Lightly brush each bread slice with evoo. To toast the bread, I like to grill it on the BBQ, but you can also place on a sheet pan and place in oven on broil (watch carefully). Be sure to toast on both sides. You want the bread to be crispy. Allow the toasted bread to cool.

### Assembly:

- Using a slotted spoon, place about 2 tbsp. of tomatoes onto each slice of bread. Top with tomatoes, with a slice of fresh mozzarella (cut to fit if needed). Then add some Prosciutto on top of the cheese and also cut to fit if needed. Drizzle balsamic glaze and sprinkle with reserved basic chiffonade.
- Serve immediately if you are still standing after guzzling that red wine, even though my instructions were to sip it. I'm not sure alcohol is ever sipped on Tybee. Enjoy! If you can remember eating it, Cheers!!!

Tybee Teeth is so thankful for our patients and having the opportunity to serve our community.  
**Happy Thanksgiving!**

A photograph of a child in a large, white, smiling tooth mascot costume pushing a stroller. The child is wearing a pink outfit. The scene is outdoors on a paved area, possibly a street or park, with other people and buildings in the background. The photo is framed by a border of colorful autumn leaves. In the bottom right corner of the photo, there is a circular logo for Tybee Teeth featuring a smiling tooth and palm trees. Below the photo, the text 'TybeeTeeth.com' is written in a stylized font.

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By Nell Klein

## THE LIES I TELL

By Julie Clark

When writing my book reviews for the Beachcomber, I try my best to review a “unisex” book whenever possible. “Chick books” are generally not very popular with the menfolk, but sometimes I just don’t feel like I have much choice. If I read a really good book, I want to pass it on, no matter who may like it. But in this case, the title of the book *The Lies I Tell* and the picture of the cover would most likely turn a guy against it. He’d probably think it was about a bunch of gossipy drama queens (which is pretty much what I thought). Well, I can assure you that this is book is anything of the sort. Holy moly! It will totally take you for a ride that you won’t want to get off of.

The story mostly evolves around the stories of two women. Meg Williams (aka Maggie Littleton aka Melody Wilde, among others) is a con artist, and a darn impressive one at that. Her first con was when she was only 21. She drained the bank account of Cory Dempsey, a high school principal who liked to take advantage of his young, female students. But how she did it was the truly amazing thing.

The other main character is Kat Roberts, a reporter trying for a really big story that she can write a novel about that will make her a household name. She’s engaged to Scott, a cop with a gambling problem and she really needs to make something of her life. She was a young reporter 10 years before when Meg Williams destroyed the life of Cory Dempsey. Unfortunately, Meg also destroyed Kat by sending her for an interview with Nate Burgess, Cory’s best friend. It was not a good interview and Kat has wanted to get back at Meg ever since.

Fast forward 10 years, and Kat is sent to a \$1,000 a plate fundraiser to cover the story of Ron Ashton, builder and developer, who is also running for the U.S. Senate. Lo and behold, who is in the crowd but her old nemesis Meg Williams. She has totally changed her looks so that no one realizes she’s the same person from 10 years before and neither does Meg remember Kat and the life-changing interview that she sent Kat on 10 years before.

Meg is there as a real estate agent who is obviously out to get Ron Ashton, because many years before he swindled Meg’s dying mother out of her house and left Meg and her mother homeless. Ron doesn’t have a clue what is about to happen to him, and Kat is determined to find out what Meg is up to without giving her reporter status away. That’s all I can really tell you without giving too much away, but that is just the tip of the iceberg in this crazy story.

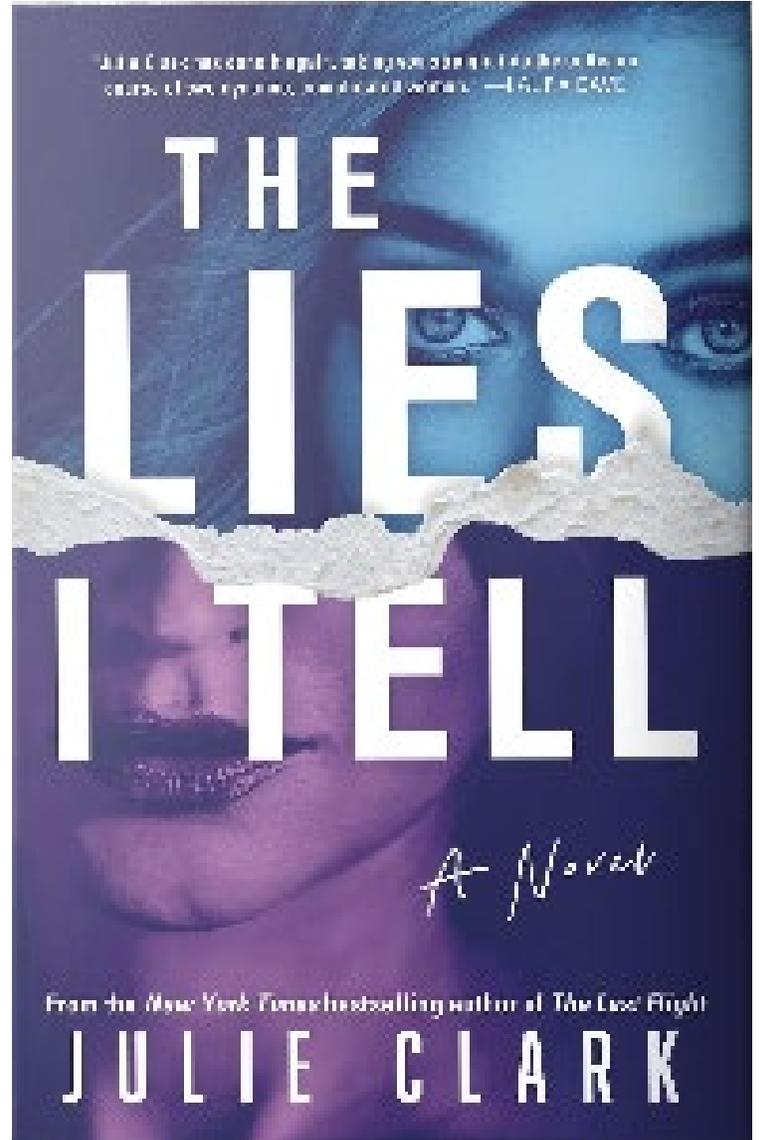
We go through all the things that Meg has been putting people through in her quest for justice for the downtrodden. Is she a Robin Hood or a complete con artist, bleeding people dry for her own good? The closer to Meg that Kat gets, the more we begin to have our doubts about what the heck is truly going on.

I give this book 5 roses. It’s a total page turner all the way to the very end. I even read the last few paragraphs over in case I missed something. This book is definitely unisex, so guys don’t be afraid to read about a devious

con artist whose prey never saw it coming. You may even get a few pointers, or be careful, you may be next!

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving with your friends and family and don’t forget those less fortunate than us. It’s that wonderful time of year!

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



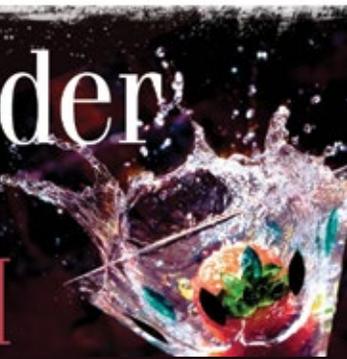
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# Bartender of the MONTH

By Alaina Loughridge



I try to get to **Bubba Gumbo's** several times a month because it's delish and the atmosphere is chill and the surroundings are awesome. Every time I go, **Tori Lewis** is behind the bar and running it like a goddess. So, I was there last weekend and the place wasn't even open yet. Tori had a line of people that wanted stuff. This girl was everywhere! She fixed the printer, dealt with the line of people, prepped side salads, made me a cocktail, and literally shucked and jived all over the place looking absolutely rock solid as she ran the show! I love her! Naturally, I have to tell you all about her, so I nailed her down for 10 minutes to get the background!

Born and raised in Statesboro with twin brothers and a sister, Mom and Dad had her working in their Huddle House restaurant as soon as she was tall enough to hold a broom stick, wash a dish and take an order. She grew up in the industry, but always wanted to work with animals and be outside as one with nature. Her calling was to become a vet tech. Well, Life is one of those things that happen while you plan and in 2001, she moved to Savannah. She got on at the Mellow Mushroom slinging cocktails and realized she was really, really good at this gig! She then spent six years at the Daquiri Island Bar on Wilmington, cultivating her craft while settling down into family life. Now, two girls and one boy later, Tori has been at Bubba's for the past four years!

**Naturally, I asked her the basic questions we all want the answer to:**

**Passion: The kids! She is also super artsy and craftsy and loves**

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fishing and writing.

**Grow Up:** Eventually own her own restaurant. She is great at what she does and loves what she does.

**Spirit Animal:** An Elephant. Very family oriented and they take care of each other.

**Superpower That She Has:** Patience. (WOW!!)

**Superpower That She Wants:** Breathe underwater.

Her *go-to drink* is the **Sun Kissed**. A gorgeous concoction that involves a mix of orange and lemon vodka with a scooch of peach schnapps, a splash of this, a splash of that and a dollop of Red Bull. It is a true delight and I highly recommend it!

Whatever you are in the mood for, whether it be great food, great drinks, awesome atmosphere or to watch the show, you have to go see Tori at Bubba's. She's just freakin' cool and any time spent with her, is time well spent!



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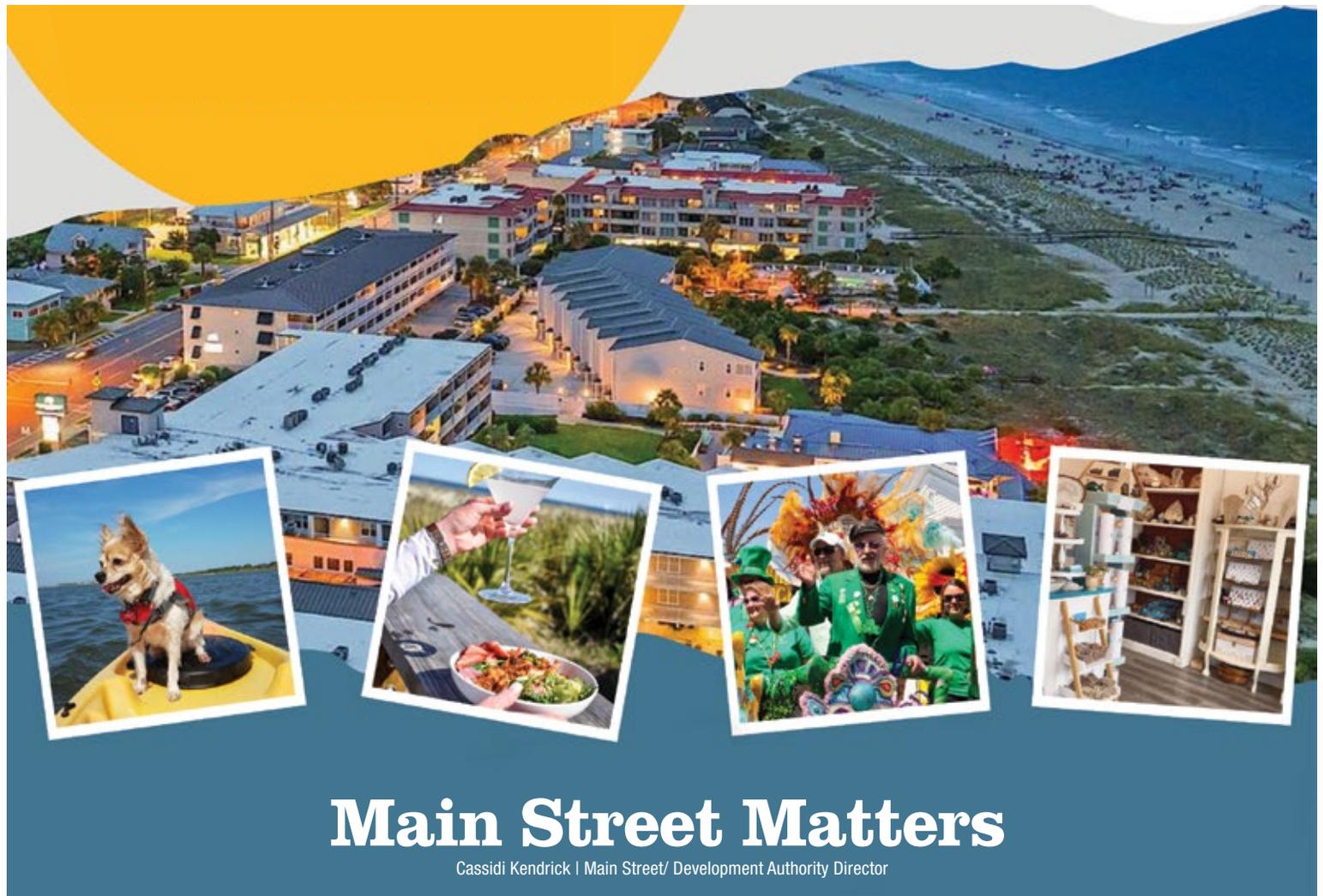
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# Main Street Matters

Cassidi Kendrick | Main Street/ Development Authority Director

Is it already November? This year has blown by so quickly, but we're not done yet! We want to take this opportunity to highlight some of the awesomeness that has happened this year, and also mention a few celebrations that are coming up soon!

First of all, thank you to everyone who supported Chamaco's Tacos and Surf at their ribbon cutting last month. It was the perfect way to celebrate three years in business and National Taco Day! We also hosted another successful Main Street Meet Up with our friends at Dunes Inn & Suites. We are so thankful to have businesses willing to host these networking events for Tybee business owners & citizens. Be on the lookout for details about the next one, coming up in December!

The ribbon cutting for the Tybee Island Marine Science Center's new facility will be on Friday, November 11 at 4:00pm. We encourage everyone to join City leadership for this special occasion. If you have not made it by the new facility, you are missing out! Located now at North Beach, the new facility features interactive, educational exhibits that are sure to be fun for the entire family! They are also a temporary home for a variety of marine wildlife, as well as housing a few permanent residents.

The holiday season is also right around the corner! Where do you do your holiday shopping? From retailers to restaurateurs, Tybee Island is home to hundreds of small businesses! Here are a few ways you can support local businesses during the holidays:

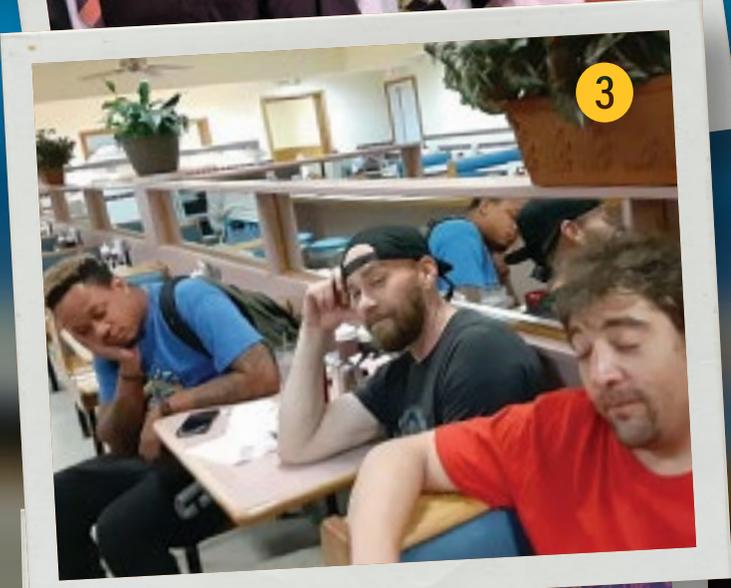
- Buy gifts locally! – Purchase a gift card!
- Give them a social media shoutout!
- Shop locally online!
- Tip your bartenders & servers a little extra!

The Main Street Promotion Committee has also been hard at work planning all of the annual holiday events on Tybee. This year we will be expanding the **Tree Lighting Ceremony** to feature a **Tybee Holiday Market on Saturday, November 26 from 12-6pm**. Come shop with local stores and vendors, enjoy live music and watch our first inaugural **Corn Hole Tournament on Tybrisa Street**, followed by the **Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, from 6-8pm**. Team registrations for the tournament are limited, and will be reserved on a first come first serve basis. For more information, please email [cassidi.kendrick@cityoftybee.org](mailto:cassidi.kendrick@cityoftybee.org). **The Annual Christmas Parade** will be the following **Friday, December 2nd**, beginning at 6pm on 6th Street. If you would like to sign up to be in the parade, please visit [www.tybeeislandmainstreet.org](http://www.tybeeislandmainstreet.org).

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! Our program is always looking for feedback and ways to continue to support the local businesses and our community. I can be reached at [cassidi.kendrick@cityoftybee.org](mailto:cassidi.kendrick@cityoftybee.org) or at 912-472-5103.

# BE BOPPIN' WITH BLAIR AND LOUNGING WITH

By Blair Whalen and Alaina Loughridge



**1** I'm not exactly sure what the conversation was about during *Pirate Fest*, all I know is something funny was said when I walked up on *Jay!* Maybe it was about me ...

**2** Even though *Hurricane Ian* canceled a family vacation, *Rob* was happy to be home for a few days and catch up with his Tybee Fam!!

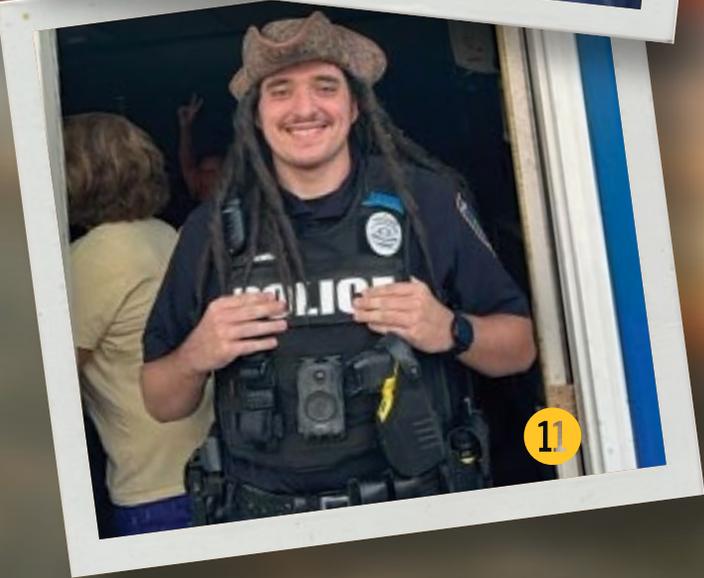
**3** You don't know hungry until you've worked night shift at a bar for over 9 hours and then you have to wait until 6am for *Sunrise* to open because you're too tired to cook. *C.J., Landon and Joey* do.

**4** I spotted *Leigh and Howard* while walking down the south end. It's always a great time when Leigh is in town and I am loving *Howard's new haircut!*

**5** After winning a game of *Darts*, everyone was so happy that even *Martin* decided to jump in on this picture with *Andrew, Kim, Paris and his Pops!*

**6** *Joey* was in town and I got to see her! She was hanging out with the lovely and charming *Emily*. I'm totally ready for *Joey* to move back home to us!

# LOUGHRIDGE



**7** Check out this *post Hurricane Ian party!* David E., Jacob, Chris, David S., and John are clearly living their best Tybee lives! Bye Ian!!

**8** Jessica brought a little *friend* to *Pirate's Fest!* You are braver than me!!

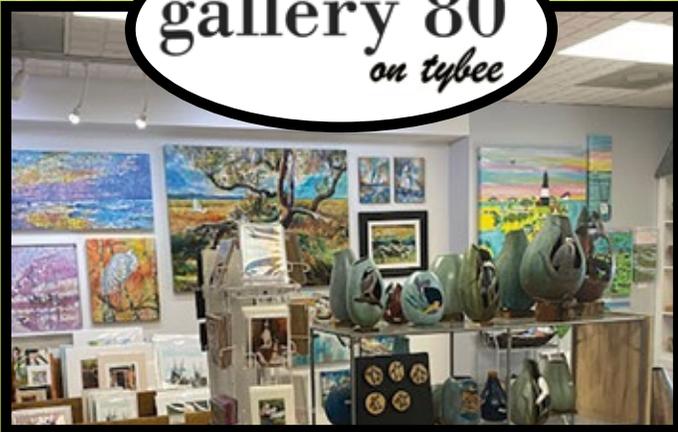
**9** It's a really hard gig when I get to go to *Ribbon Cuttings* and hang out with really cool people. Haven't seen Tammy in forever. Had a blast swigging champagne and getting caught up with this lady!

**10** I found Tina and Reece hanging out with Paula Deen or was Paula hanging out with them?!! Either way, a great time was had by all!

**11** When it comes to *Pirate Fest*, everyone gets their Arrgh on!!! Photo Courtesy of Jessica Hadley.

**12** The picture that wasn't. Sorry y'all. Photo courtesy of Josh Stewart.

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# Life's a Beach Events

What's happening in Nov. By Mom

**11-1 thru 11-15 Tybee Island American Legion #154** The American Legion #154, 10 Veterans Drive, is accepting donations for Christmas Care packages for our service men and women serving overseas. Stop by the Canteen and pick up a list of items that are accepted to mail. Call 912-786-5356 for more info.

**11-3 What Ever Happened to Baby Jane (1962)** 3pm and 7pm at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. This drama was filmed in 1962 with Bette Davis and Joan Crawford. For all events go to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

**11-4 All About Eve (1950)** 3pm and 7pm at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. Bette Davis and Anne Baxter star in this classic film. For all events go to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

**11-4, & 11-11 & 18 Coffee and Conversation with the City Manager** 9-10am at Memorial Park screened pavilion behind City Hall. Zoom is no longer an option.

**11-5 Holiday Open House – Seaside Sisters** 11am-4pm at Seaside Sisters, 1207 US 80. Call 912-786-9216 or go to [www.SeasideSistersTybee.com](http://www.SeasideSistersTybee.com) for more info.

**11-5 Puppy Pals** 7pm at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. Puppy Pals is an action packed, canine comedy show. For all events go to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

**11-6 Daylight Saving Time Ends** Don't forget to turn the clock back. Maybe you will get to sleep in a little bit more.

**11-7 & 11-21 Evening Chat with the City Manager** 7-8pm online at <https://bit.ly/eveningchat>. Meeting ID: 845 6121 7790 and Passcode: 904050.

**11-8 Election Day** Don't forget to VOTE!!

**11-8 I Want My MTV: 80's vs 90's Tribute** 8pm at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. Pitting one decade against another. Bring it on! For all events go to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

**11-11 Veterans Day** Thank you to all the Veterans for their service, sacrifice, and bravery.

**11-11 & 11-12 Tybee Island Marine Rescue Squadron BBQ Butt Sale** Butts \$25 Whole or Chipped. Pick up at the MRS Shack, 2 Old Tybee Road. For additional information call Daniel O'Connor at (912) 713-2747.

**11-11 Ft Pulaski** 9am-5pm at Ft. Pulaski, 101 Ft. Pulaski Road. Free Pass Day in Honor of our Veterans.

**11-12 1st Annual Tybee Post Music Festival 2022** 12-9:30pm at Hotel Tybee, 1401 Strand Ave. This outdoor event will showcase 9 bands of various musical genres. For all events go to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

**11-13 Bubbles By The Beach Drag Bunch** 12pm for Brunch and 1-3pm for the Drag Show. All at North Beach Bar and Grill, 33 Meddin Ave. Go to [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com) for more info.

**11-17 thru 11-20 The Full Monty Musical** 8pm at the Tybee Post Theater, 10 Van Horne Ave. Americanized musical version of a 1997 British film, performed by the Savannah Stage Company. For all events go to [www.tybeeposttheater.org](http://www.tybeeposttheater.org) or call for further info at 912-472-4790.

**11-19 Tour de Art – Seasonal Art Pop-Up** 12-5pm at multiple locations on Tybee's North End. This is a Tybee Arts Association sponsored event. Go to [www.tybeearts.org](http://www.tybeearts.org) for more info.

**11-20 Beach Clean Up** 4pm for Beach Clean Up. Check with [www.tybeesland.com](http://www.tybeesland.com) or Fight Dirty Tybee on Facebook for location meeting spot. Bring your friends, families, and the folks off the street to help do the Beach Clean Up.

**11-24 Thanksgiving Day** Happy Thanksgiving y'all!!!

**11-26 14th Annual Pickle Run** 8am-5pm at Huc-A-Poos. 5k beach road, run, or walk. Starts and ends at Huc-A-Poos. Please join the Hall Family and Huc-a-poos to benefit the Savannah Ronald McDonald House. Go to [www.tybeesland.com](http://www.tybeesland.com) to register for the Pickle Run.

**11-26 Holiday Market** 12-8pm on Tybrisa Street. What better way to do your holiday shopping and have some fun? Shop small and local! Vendors, activities for kids, music, performances, and it goes right into the next event! Timing is everything!

**11-26 Tree Lighting** 6-8pm on Tybrisa. Join in on our annual fun of the Tree Lighting with caroling, dancing and holiday treats.

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11/11 (Fri) - Eric Daubert & Evan Rose

11/12 (Sat) - Josh Johansson

11/17 (Thurs) - Spec Hosti Band

11/18 (Fri) - CC Witt

11/19 (Sat) - Sonny Bond

11/20 (Sun) - Leisure McCorkle 2-5 pm

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11/25 (Fri) - Stan Ray

11/26 (Sat) - The DistracTones

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# 2022 PIRATE FEST

By Casey Jones Photography





I was driving to an appointment off island the other day. I wasn't late. I was just doing my thing. The guy in front of me was doing his thing too - at 40 miles per hour in a 55 mile per hour zone. Now, I understand that slow still gets you there. I also understand that the scenery is gorgeous and I totally get the 'island time' slogan. I am ALL of the above. However, that being barfed out, come on, man! It's not about any of the above, it's about the common decency to shift your ass down the damn road. So, while I'm coasting along at 35.7 miles an hour (the miles per hour one can decently be behind another person going 40 mph without being up their ass, whilst still letting the 20 cars behind you know that it's not you slowing down the scene and being a douche), I had an epiphany. A world class epiphany where I can actually make it a reality if people participate. Listen to me now, y'all...



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On the flip side of that coin, you can ask me such questions as: Why are you so far up my ass? I can't see anything but the trunk of your car? Why do you have those bright lights on that light up the tumor on my left kidney? Are you drunk? Do you want to be? Are you cute?

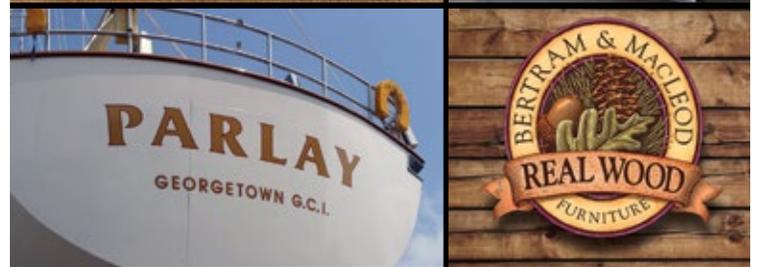
So many questions and so many road rage problems solved in a quick text! Nothing relieves stress faster than an explosive F.U. and then move along. Who's with me?

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## BEHIND THE TAPE

By Lt. Emory Randolph

Earlier this year, I had the opportunity to attend a session of the Georgia Resiliency Program. The class is a bit different than traditional law enforcement training. Instead of focusing on shooting, conducting investigations, or practicing de-escalation, it provides officers with the tools they need to better care for their own physical and mental health, so that they may better care for the communities they serve. Yes, the Georgia Resiliency Program signals a MASSIVE paradigm shift in police work, and after the first hour or so in class, I knew I had to be a part of it. A couple of months later, I was proud to earn the title of “Master Instructor,” earning a place in the team that would become responsible for rolling out these “new” ideas across the entire state.

One of my favorite parts of the class involved taking the time each day to count your gratitude, or what you’re thankful for. Participants were required to think of at least three a day, jot them down on an individual “post-it” note and slap them up on a shared gratitude board for the world to see. It can be anything big or small, and I can attest to the fact that there’s something immensely therapeutic in simply acknowledging the huge impact a cup of coffee had on your life that morning. So, with that in mind, and in the spirit of the upcoming holiday, I’d like to take just a moment to share a few things that make me incredibly grateful.

First up, I’m grateful for the island. I’ve worked in some sketchy places and have had my share of less-than-desirable assignments over the course of my 20-year career, so Tybee seemed like a nice change of pace. Don’t get me wrong, working here is definitely not a cake walk...far from it actually. It’s the quirky atmosphere and daily unique challenges that make it so special for me. I mean, if you’re going to make a living in a field known for mixing the unknown with frequent doses of danger, you might as well have fun doing it. Am I right?

Next, I’m grateful for my team. Under the leadership of Chief Robert Bryson, the Tybee Island Police Department has become a shining example for law enforcement agencies across the country. From its dedication to providing its members with the best training and equipment, to its commitment to community outreach, there’s no doubt in my mind that our department is one of the best in the state. Couple that with some of the most committed law enforcement professionals I’ve met in my career, and you’ve got the proverbial “lightning in a bottle.” An agency that stands head and shoulders above the rest.

Lastly, I’m grateful for all of you. Over the course of the last three years, my assignment as TIPD’s Public Information Officer has brought me into contact with the residents and guests of Tybee Island like never before. Instead of bumping into you during the occasional call for service, we’ve drank coffee, found homes for animals in need and even tracked down criminals across the wide world of social media together. From COVID-19 to nationwide civil unrest, your constant support for the Tybee Island Police Department has bolstered our spirits when it was needed most, and for that, I can’t thank you enough.

As the holidays draw near, I hope each and every one of you take time to reflect back on 2022, and what you’re grateful for the most. In the meantime, stay safe, and have a Happy Thanksgiving!

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# JULIA FOSTER

## A Remembrance of our Friend

From Coley, Jen, and Keith

Julia was born in Devonport, England on July 23, the eldest of Derek and Eunice's four children - Stephen, Rosalind and Sarah followed. As her father was in the Royal Navy, the family often moved, allowing her to enjoy some of her early years in Malta.

School years were spent in Gosport, where she met her lifelong friend Maureen - the two were drawn together by their love of horses.

It wasn't long before Julia's passion for horses, combined with a desire to travel, saw her packing her bags and heading for Rome. Here she would experience an adventure which she would be able to tell about again and again.

America followed quickly and becoming a mum to her beloved daughter Nicole in Pennsylvania deepened her ties to America.

She continued to travel, making Tybee Island, Georgia, her favorite place for many years, enjoying the sun, the fun and laughter with the many friends she made there.

Florida and lastly Texas followed. Julia continued her travels, always gathering friends and stories.

Julia always championed the rights of others, not least those of the Native American people whom she respected and loved to meet with at their amazing pow wows.

To say she lived life to the full would be an understatement- she lived her life in her own unique way. In her last week, when asked whether she had any regrets, she proudly answered, "No."

Julia always loved to laugh and had a wicked sense of humor - a quick, unrelenting British wit.

Julia leaves her daughter Nicole, who she was so proud had embarked on a nursing course in Texas, her brother and sisters in England, and friends and cousins around the globe, along with her beloved dog, Alli.



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# FOOD SPY

By Alaina Loughridge - Photos by Betsey Jenkins

## ROCK HOUSE RESTAURANT



When Betsey and I went to the Rock House, we weren't really sure what to expect. We were both thinking party pad with beach bites, but let me set that misconception straight. The Rock House has totally been revamped and reorganized from whatever we were thinking. Not only is the party pad now very family oriented, the menu is extensive and is way more than just beach bites. Let's get to it!

**Ray Moungey and Jerome Del Soldato**, the managers, were both spot on and started us out with an appetizer that not everyone offers: **Alligator Bites**. Hand cut and hand-breaded alligator tail meat tossed in a creamy and semi-spicy boom boom sauce is definitely a tongue jabber. We dipped ours in their homemade ranch (it's the good ranch y'all) to cut down on the zang. This is the perfect app to get you amped up for your entrée. It's also fun to eat. We paired that with **Pumking beer**, a seasonal flavor offered up by **Southern Tier Brewing Company**. This beer is not for everyone, but for those that look forward to fall flavors. Starbuck's better watch their backs!

The **Coconut Shrimp** was next and again, perfectly battered and fried to a golden, crispy that is just flat out yum to dip into their sweet Thai chili sauce. The shrimp are huge and this is also an excellent app to get you headed in the right direction for your entrée.

The next choice was harder. With 25 burgers to choose from (yes, 25 burgers and not a single one boring), we didn't know where to start, so we began with the **Southern Burger**. A half pound burger served with coleslaw, honey BBQ sauce, American cheese, and bacon, with a side of fries and a pickle spear, this belly filling beast will have you guzzling down your ice-cold **Tybee Island Blonde** and feeling like life is perfect. I couldn't put it down and I knew more was coming so I had to move it to a different table so I couldn't look at it anymore (until it came out of my to go box that night!)

The **Chef's Tacos** were served next and your choices are blackened fish or shrimp. We did the shrimp on top of lettuce, tomato, pickled onion, avocado, slathered in boom boom sauce served on flour tortillas with a side of coleslaw. When Ray brought it to the table, we almost fell over. The boom boom sauce was wonderfully everywhere and when you bite into it, it's a total mouth explosion. There is so much going on. The boom sauce is a little bit spicy for my sissy mouth so when you follow a bite with their homemade coleslaw, it's a perfect counterbalance. The coleslaw is diced (yippee!!) and is that blend of mayo and vinegar that is a complement to any dish it is served with or on.

A moment of silence was held while we sampled the **Tybee Lemonade Cocktail** that we had paired with it. This drink is THE drink for any time of year! A very refreshing blend of flavored vodkas with a scooch of this and a scooch of that. Betsey and I had a moment where we were not friends on who was going to be the one in control of the straw on this one.

The **Volcano Chicken Sandwich** made an appearance and everyone was talking at once. It's a blackened chicken breast served with atomic sauce,

pepper jack cheese, ancho mayo, jalapenos, and bacon, with a side of fries and a pickle spear on a Kaiser Roll. It is a spice lovers tongue-gasm. It will definitely wake your ass up and I highly recommend an ice-cold beer to go with it! The sauce and the mayo are top secret recipes and I was only told that they are made with local materials. O.K. Well, tell me more. Have a drink ...

You would think at this point we'd be forked and we were, but Betsey and I believe in being thorough and the **Triple Chocolate Cake** oozed out the kitchen door. A huge slab of moist yummy town drizzled in caramel; this behemoth flopped over the side of the plate. Throw in the **Chocolate Dream Cocktail** and it is a total chocolate lovers best moment ever!

The Rock House definitely has it going on. A new look and a new vibe with excellent food and of course FOOTBALL! It's all about the game! They have 11 televisions and two projection televisions and have access to all of the games. Their hours are Sunday 11am-game over, Monday 12pm-game over, Tuesday and Wednesday 12-9pm, Thursday 12pm-game over, Friday 12-11pm, and Friday and Saturday 11am-11pm. If the games run over they will stay open until the final score has been declared.

They also offer a full bar and Ray gives a lot of thought into what seasonal products will be available. From their drafts to their vodkas, everything has been eyeballed to make sure the customer will be happy with their selection options. The Rock House also offers outdoor seating and is pet friendly on the boardwalk.

If you haven't been to the Rock House Restaurant for a minute or even if you have, get there. The food is excellent and very comparably priced. It is full-on family oriented and non-smoking all day every day. You can find the Rock House Restaurant at 1518 Butler (on the corner of Butler and Tybrisa). They have the best location in town for people watching. Great food, great drinks and checking everybody out that walks by. I'm down for that and I'll see you there. If you're lazy, call (912) 786-7176, they will put together your to-go order for you and sling it out the door as you drive by! Easy easy!!





# American Legion Post 154

By Jerris Bryant, Commander

**Veteran's Day** - World War I – known at the time as “The Great War” - officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, in the Palace of Versailles outside the town of Versailles, France. However, fighting ceased seven months earlier when an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities between the Allied nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, is generally regarded as the end of “the war to end all wars.”

An Act approved May 13, 1938, made the 11th of November a legal holiday—a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be thereafter celebrated and known as “Armistice Day.” Armistice Day was primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I, but in 1954, after World War II had required the greatest mobilization of soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen in the Nation's history, and after American forces had fought aggression in Korea, the 83rd Congress, at the urging of the veterans service organizations, amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word “Armistice” and inserting in its place the word “Veterans.” With the approval of this legislation on June 1, 1954, November 11th became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

**Flag Retirement** - The term used to define the proper, dignified way of destroying United States flags that are no longer fit to serve the nation. The U.S. flag is considered such a sacred symbol that burning it in an undignified manner constitutes desecration. That's why the ceremonies are held in a specific manner. The Legion will

hold an official Flag Retirement ceremony on Saturday, November 12th, 10 am at the Veteran's Memorial. If you have a flag that needs to be retired, bring it to the Legion or bring it on November 12th.

**Coloring and Word Search Contests** - In November, the Legion will begin a monthly coloring contest for children 6 through 10 and a word search puzzle for children 11 through 15. The November theme will be Thanksgiving. A name will be drawn from each category and each will be awarded \$10.00. Stop by the canteen to pick up the needed sheets; contest ends 11/30/2022 and the winner announced December 1st. The December contest will have a Christmas theme and needed sheets will be available on that date.

**Fall raffle** - This will be held on November 19th – tickets are \$50.00 each and are available in the canteen. Every 25th number wins \$250.00 and the top prize is \$5,000 – you do not need to be present to win!



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## PERVY PET OF THE MONTH

By Keith and Jen Drazek

### Dresdie

Dresdie prefers frozen Maine blueberries and organic oats from the local health food store, and he absolutely dislikes Dole fruit cups and squirrels pilfering his breakfast!

He loves peeking at us through the windows and is actively lobbying for his own bed inside where it is warm. He adopted us this summer and has become quite spoiled.

# Beach Walks with Dr. Joe

By Dr. Joe Richardson

## NUDIBRANCHS

A few weeks ago, I was invited to talk about animal classification for the 5th graders at Tybee Island Maritime Academy, and I really enjoyed being with them. I knew I was going to have to talk fast to mention all the major categories of animals we find on Tybee's beach, and I knew that I'd have to short-change some of the minor, but still interesting groups. One of those was the Nudibranchs. I also realized that I haven't done an article about them, so I guess out of guilt I've decided to write about Nudibranchs this month.

The name Nudibranch refers to "naked gills" because their gills are exposed externally on their body rather than enclosed inside. Nudibranchs are Sea Slugs, but I was afraid that if I used that name to start with, lots of folks would have already decided they didn't want to read about anything that sounds that gross. Nudibranchs are a subgroup of Gastropod (snail) Mollusks, and most of them have completely lost their shell over evolutionary time. So, they are very soft-bodied animals, and thus they have developed other methods for protection and defense.

Nudibranchs produce a range of colors, and they use those colors for a variety of purposes. Being a slow-moving, soft-bodied animal with no shell for protection, it makes sense that some Nudibranchs produce colors that help them camouflage themselves. And many of them are very good at hiding within their habitat by using color and body shape.

Other species are less cryptic in their lifestyle and use bright colors to advertise their presence. Related to this advertising, as a method of warning potential predators, is one of my favorite adaptations developed by some Nudibranchs. Many sea slugs are covered with lots of soft finger-like extensions (called cerata) across their back, and these frilly cerata are used for a variety of purposes. Some Nudibranchs crawl around on and eat Hydroid tentacles and Anemone tentacles. You may recall that Hydroids, Anemones, Jellyfish, and their relatives have special stinging cells (called cnidoblasts) that they use for defense and for capturing food. Some Nudibranchs have the ability to harvest these stinging cnidoblast cells from their prey and then



move those stinging cells into the tips of their own frilly cerata covering their own body. This makes them capable of stinging other animals that might accidentally try to eat them. To reduce the possibility of such an accident, these Nudibranchs often use bright colors to advertise who they are!

Being small, slow-moving, often camouflaged, and often covered with tiny finger-like projections, Nudibranchs are easily overlooked. So, they are probably more numerous and common than we realize crawling around on sponges, small Hydroids and the fuzzy-like turf of animals growing on oyster shells along our coast. As you look closer and closer, "you never know what you will see on Tybee's beach!"

*Dr. Joe Richardson is a retired marine science professor with 45+ years of research and teaching experience along GA and the southeastern coast and Bahamas. Besides research, he conducts Tybee Beach Ecology Trips ([www.TybeeBeachEcology.com](http://www.TybeeBeachEcology.com)) and frequently posts pictures of what they are finding on his Tybee Beach Ecology Trips Facebook page.*

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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: My female roommate started dating this guy and now it seems like he is always at our apartment. He basically lives there now and doesn't contribute any money towards anything. Ugh. I can't afford to live alone. How do I approach my roommate with this?**

### **Girl's Advice**

I had this same problem back in the day. I loved my roommate and the guy wasn't terrible, it just totally pissed me off that he didn't cook or clean and didn't contribute in any way towards the household finance situation.

It was a hard conversation to initiate because the guy was funny and if you hand me a funny guy, I'm going to have a hard time letting go of him regardless of our relationship.

But, if you hand me a broke, unhelpful guy, he's gotta go. Take a shot of courage (Fireball) and sit down with your roomie and the guy if he's there. Don't come out aggressive and territorial and crazy, just say how it is.

If you piss her off, she may dump you for him and then you'll be really screwed, depending on the lease situation, so tread carefully and don't lose a friendship over something that can be handled if done with grace and charm (whatever those two personality traits are).

### **Boy's Advice**

You're kidding right? You really don't know how to handle this situation? People, if you have a roommate problem, talk to your roommate. How hard is this? Either your roommate fixes the issue, or she doesn't.

If she doesn't, just sleep with her boyfriend. Either she gets mad and leaves her boyfriend or you're in for some crazy threesome kind of nights that hopefully make you more comfortable with the situation.

Oh wait, I have an idea, why don't you just charge your roommate 2/3rds of the rent since she's using 2/3rds of the household resources with that boyfriend of hers. If she can't be fair and equitable, get a new roommate.

So, let's review: 1.) Sleep with your roommate's boyfriend. 2.) Have threesomes with your roommate and her boyfriend. 3.) Charge your roommate 2/3rds of the rent since she's taking up 2/3rds of the apartment. In conclusion, you'll now have more sex and more money.

YOU'RE WELCOME!



## The Explosion & Discovery of Savannah's SS Pulaski

*SS Pulaski - Pulaski explosion from the 1848 book by Charles Elms -Courtesy NC Department of Cultural Resources.*

By Michelle Riley

Photos courtesy of Ships of the Sea Maritime Museum and Endurance Exploration Group. Book Illustration Photos courtesy of Steamboat Disasters & Railroad Accidents in the U.S. and North Carolina Dept. of Cultural Resources

Savannah was grief-stricken during the summer of 1838. Residents wore black crepe armbands, sorrow prevailed, and the city's boisterous annual 4th of July festivities were canceled.

On June 14, one of the greatest disasters known to Savannah had occurred, the explosion of the Steamship *Pulaski*. So many died that it was said that everyone in Savannah knew at least one person affected by the catastrophe.

We don't know how a Savannah story this immense and this tragic was nearly forgotten, but now it's being told at **Ships of the Sea Maritime Museum** in the exhibition, *Rising to the Surface: A Summoning of Savannah's Titanic*. The Pulaski was finally found in 2018, 180 years after it sank, and even as you read this article, more and more artifacts are being salvaged from the shipwreck.

So, what's the story?

Well, back in the day, wealthy Savannahians went north to avoid the hot Georgia summers, and they brought with them almost everything that wasn't nailed down. Heavy trunks full of dishes, silverware, clothes, jewels -- and of course, money -- were stowed on board the ships that would take them to cooler climes. Enslaved workers were part of the entourages, brought along to help the wives take care of the children and to serve at summer homes. Entire extended families of Savannah's movers and shakers often would travel together for the season.

And so it was on June 13, 1838, as seamen loaded the SS Pulaski with cargo at the docks on River Street for only its fourth voyage. The Pulaski appeared huge and gleaming, built by Gazaway Bugg Lamar to be bigger, better, and stronger than other passenger steamships of her time. Like Titanic almost 75 years later, no expense was spared in Pulaski's construction, and her luxuries enticed passage from some of the most prominent citizens in the country. The ship's paddlewheels were six-stories high, the 225-horsepower engine was outfitted with the finest copper boilers, and the wheelhouse was gilded with gold leaf.

The voyage was well-planned. Less than a year earlier, 90 souls had been lost in the wreckage of the *SS Home* in a storm off the Outer Banks of North Carolina. To ease frayed nerves, the Pulaski's passengers would need to spend only one night at sea. The idea was for the ship to depart Savannah on June 13, dock in Charleston that same day to take on more passengers and depart Charleston on June 14 for a scheduled arrival the next day at its final destination, Baltimore, Maryland. The Pulaski would carry about 150 passengers and 37 crew members, helmed by Captain John DuBois.

Everything was going along swimmingly when suddenly, at 11pm on the night of June 14, somewhere off the coast of North Carolina, the starboard boiler exploded. The middle of the ship blew apart and some passengers were killed immediately, scalded to death. The few lifeboats were in poor condition from the sun, and one of them sank almost immediately. Twenty-one people managed to get in the two remaining lifeboats. Many drowned, some floated on flotsam, and in the end, only 59 people survived. The grim tale unfolds in Ships of the Sea's exhibit, as you'll see.

Like the Titanic, the Pulaski's destruction was completely preventable. In fact, since the Titanic sank in 1912, the Pulaski has been known as the 'Titanic of the South' in maritime circles. At an inquest later, investigators determined that the second engineer had let the water get too low in the boiler, and when he poured cold water on the hot copper coils, it caused the massive explosion.

Some of the family names might be familiar to you: Pooler, Drayton, Hutchinson, Lamar, Hamilton, Ridgeland, Lovejoy. The steamship was owned by the Savannah & Charleston Steam Packet Company, whose president was Gazaway Bugg "GB" Lamar. Ten members of the Lamar family boarded the Pulaski: GB and his wife Jane, their six children, his sister Rebecca, and his niece Eliza. Sadly, only three would survive.

Of the 59 survivors, many floated for days in the searing sun and ocean waves. Others managed to get to land and were cared for by townspeople. Years later, in the June 1919 issue of The Georgia Historical Quarterly magazine, survivor Rebecca Lamar McLeod's harrowing account of the tragedy was published.

The Endurance Exploration Group, partnering with Blue Waters Ventures International, discovered the Pulaski shipwreck in 2018 about 30 miles off Wilmington, North Carolina. The team felt sure the wreck they located was the Pulaski, and when they found a small metal tag with the words "SB Pulaski" engraved on it (SB for "steamboat"), they were certain.

Endurance Exploration continues to loan some artifacts to the exhibit as it finds them on the ocean floor. New York Times best-selling author, Patti Callahan, also contributed to the exhibit. Callahan, who wrote the historical fiction novel *Surviving Savannah* as inspired by the Pulaski shipwreck, researched 15 of the passengers. Each visitor to the museum receives a name card for one of the 15 and is able to discover their passenger's biography and their fate – whether they survived or died.

**Rising to the Surface** is on display at Ships of the Sea through December 31. If you've never been to Ships of the Sea Maritime Museum, now is the time to go! Originally established on River Street in 1966, the museum exhibits ship models, scrimshaw, life-sized figureheads, and tools from antique ships, and tells the story of Savannah's illustrious maritime history. Today, Ships of the Sea is housed in the William Scarbrough House, one block west of City Market. The house was built in 1819 and is home to the largest private gardens in Savannah's historic district. Many consider Ships of the Sea to be one of the best maritime museums in the country.

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*SS Pulaski model at Ships of the Sea Maritime Museum photo courtesy Ships of the Sea MM.*



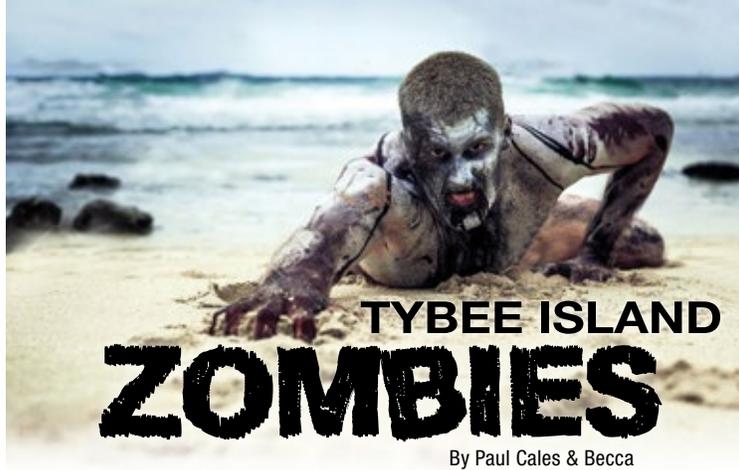
*Pocket watch found at shipwreck. Courtesy Endurance Exploration Group.*



*Pulaski coins Bust Half Dollar coins 50 cent pieces Courtesy of Endurance Exploration Group minted 1794-1839.*



*Ships of the Sea exterior from Congress Street Photo courtesy Ships of the Sea MM.*



# TYBEE ISLAND ZOMBIES

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## CHAPTER 59 – THAT’S ONE WAY TO KEEP SAILORS HAPPY

### DAY 12.5

Tony and Patch are discussing the new tactics the zombies are employing when Travis enters the radio room. “You know Travis,” Tony begins with anger in his tone, “I thought I could trust you. We all thought we could trust you. But you let us down.”

“Oh, it’s like that is it?”

“You’re damn right it is. I know you’re not in the Coast Guard anymore, and I’m not in the Army anymore, but damn it Travis, weapons and preparedness are always priority. If this had been a full-on assault, everyone in this house could have been mauled by flesh eating zombies and you damn well know it!”

Travis throws his hands up. “Whoa, whoa, whoa... How about we start over.” He turns, walks out the door, shuts it behind him, and knocks. Patch sighs, “come in.” Travis re-enters the room. “Hey guys. That was crazy. Is everyone good up here? Everyone on the ship is good and we got the M2 situation fixed.”

Tony starts off quiet, but his voice raises pointedly with each word. “Hi Travis. Do you and your sailors need a class in setting the headspace and timing on an M2 BROWNING MACHINE GUN?”

“Dude,” Travis says. “I don’t know what crawled up your ass and died, but I suggest you get that looked at. But I see you, you’re mad, I feel you.”

“I’m not mad Travis. I’m extremely disappointed. I thought you and the guys on the boat were professionals.”

“Let me stop you there,” Travis says, throwing a hand up. “A lot of guys on that ship want to sail away for another island, one without thousands of freaking zombies all over it either. So, go ahead and keep that attitude up and we might just do that. Remember... I’m the only one holding that crew and ship together.”

Patch speaks up, “I know tempers are high right now. No need to go making irrational decisions based on anger and emotion.”

“You know what Patch?” Tony asks. “You’re right. I tell you what Travis. Go ahead and sail that ship out of here. The planes or satellites will spot you and you’ll be blown out of the water. Jesus Christ! Not only do we have to deal with damned zombies, a government that is bombing its own citizens, a psycho cop, and an asshole named Crabber Brian... now you’re telling me that we have a mutinous crew aboard the ship? Why the hell haven’t you told us about the crew being unhappy before? We do our damn best to take care of everyone on that boat.”

“I didn’t tell you because you’re too busy hanging out in your mansion on the bluff to notice. Who the hell do you think you are? Colonel Kurtz?”

“Patch, can you please talk to him? I’m too pissed right now to entertain this bullshit.”

“Who the hell put you in charge anyway?” Travis asks. “Who makes a plan that hinges on a single M2 machine gun?”

“I didn’t Travis! I made a plan that had redundancies. Everyone in this house would have been dead if it weren’t for Sara and Becky. They were your back-up, and they should have never been needed. As far as being in charge, I didn’t ask to be in charge. I just take charge when it’s needed. Most of the time it’s a majority rules situation. But if you want to elect a leader, so be it, elect one! As a matter of fact, I’m a little tired of being responsible for everything around here, except for the radios.” Tony looks to Patch. “Thanks Patch!”

“I’m going back down to the boat. At least I’m appreciated there. And no, we do not need a class on headspace and timing. Just know, we were using that M2 to train a few of the guys who had never used one before and that’s how the M2 got messed up a bit. We were doing the right things but the sailor who worked on it last forgot to check it with the gauges. Yes, it is ultimately my fault, but coming at me like that isn’t helpful or constructive.”

“You’re right. I shouldn’t have come at you like that. It’s just that I’ve seen how small mistakes can get folks killed. Before saying you’re Redcon 1, function checks must have been completed. This is basic training type shit dude, and it saves lives.”

“You’re right. I’m sorry too, brother. This infighting is whack. There’s no need for an election of a leader. We have you and you’re doing an amazing job. You keep all of us on the same page and when you get excited, all of us get excited. You’re the barometer of our group.”

Patch clears his throat, “You know, perhaps we should hold an election. We need to elect different people for different responsibilities. We can’t all lean on Tony whenever a crisis or urgent situation arises. If it’s okay with everyone, I’ll put together a list of supervisory positions and a sort of council. Maybe four council members and a lead tie breaker. Like a mayor or alderman or something.”

“Do you really think we need a council for less than twenty people?” Travis asks

“No. But I think we need to be organized a bit better and have a system that gives everyone a say in things,” Patch answers.

“You come up with the plan and we’ll all discuss it together,” Tony says.

“Sounds like a plan,” Travis says and turns to Tony. “We good?”

“Yeah. We good brother. Make sure you stop by the kitchen. Sara whipped up some brownies for your guys on the ship.”

“That’s one way to keep the sailors happy,” Travis says.

There’s a loud knock at the door.

“Just come in!” Patch shouts.

Becky enters. “Hey guys!” she says excitedly. “Come upstairs. We found something and you’re going to want to see this.”

To be continued...

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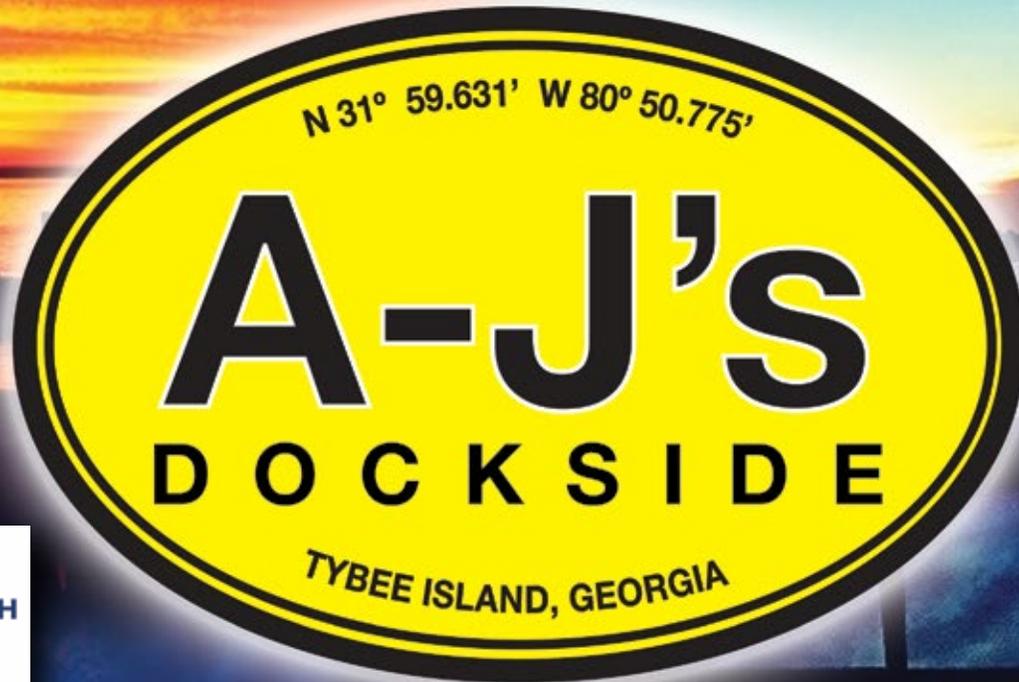


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