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## From MS...ALAIN...EOUS

Well, Happy April! Spring has sprung! We have survived the St. Patrick's Day festivities, floods, locusts, and thus far, the beginning of spring break! And that was just March. Let's see what April has to bring! We've got April Fool's Day, Easter and gnats right out of the gate. So, take a deep breath and let's get to it!

It is Rick's favorite edition! **The Easter Egg Hunt**. The look on his face was epic when I told him! I tried to hide my smile but failed. Y'all know the deal: 50 eggs hidden between here and there. **The front cover does not count**. Again, do not overthink this. Just say 3 eggs on page 2 or whatever. You do not have to say there is a purple egg in the pool at the DeSoto. Keep it simple and have a great time. Email [info@tybeebeachcomber.com](mailto:info@tybeebeachcomber.com) on or before the 15th of April. The winner will receive a gift certificate to Sundae Cafe for dinner and yes, I'm going with you, and yes, you are buying. I can be a very entertaining dining companion.

The Traveling BC is next and **Claire Owens** (rocking a Poo's shirt) and **Linda Leake** took a girl's trip to **Venice, Italy**, and packed us with them! Ah, **The Rialto Bridge over the Grand Canal!** Congratulations, ladies! Off to Sundae with you. I'll be at the next table over ...

So, let's get to this spring flinging thing! It's cocktail time so make me one and turn the page ...



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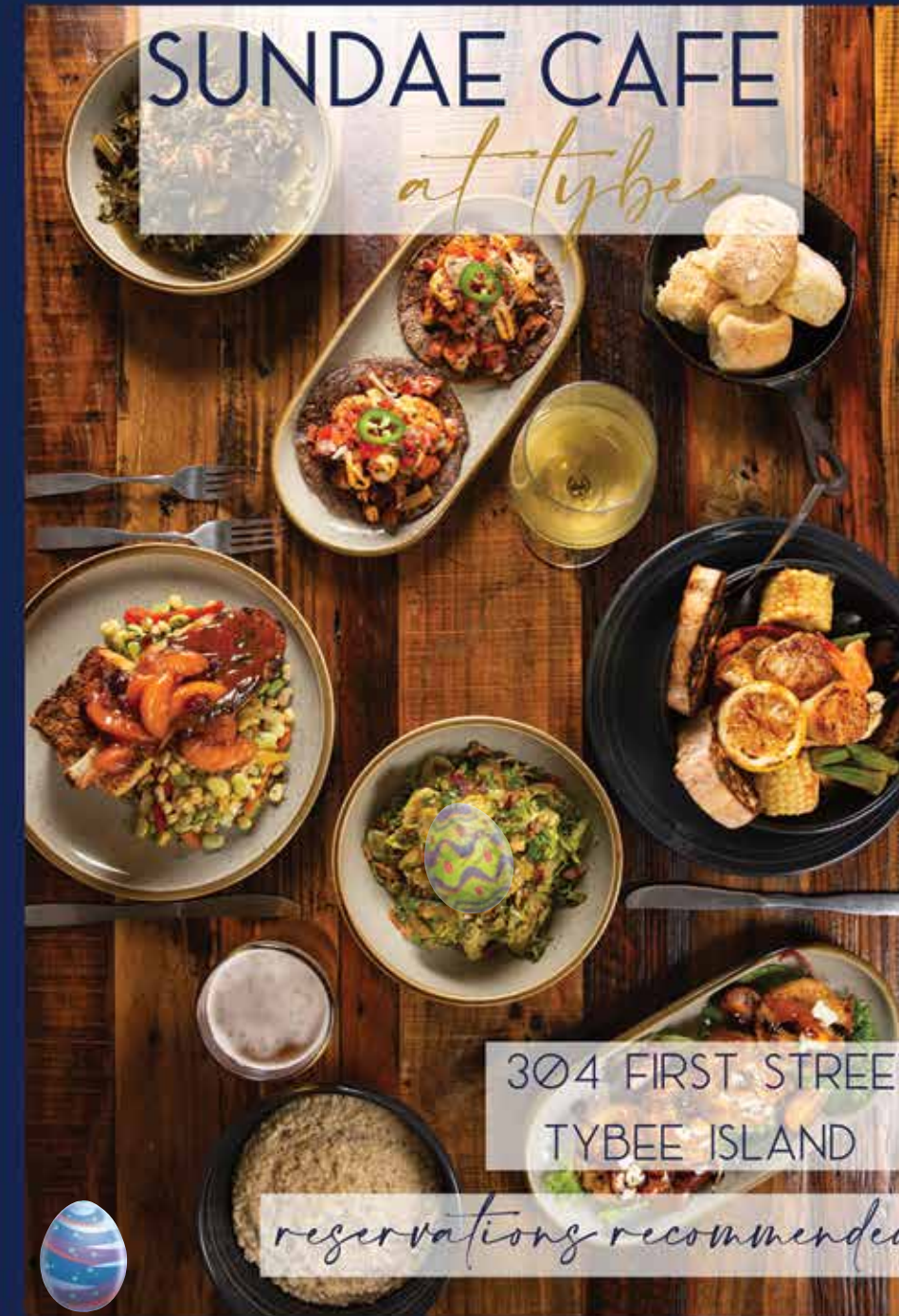
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2	Thu	9:49	8.2	10:15	8.8	3:48	-0.5	3:54	-0.3	7:10	7:44	☉
3	Fri	10:26	8.0	10:50	8.7	4:28	-0.3	4:29	-0.1	7:09	7:45	☉
4	Sat	11:03	7.7	11:24	8.4	5:07	-0.1	5:03	0.1	7:08	7:46	☉
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9	Thu	2:17	7.2	2:46	6.4	8:34	1.7	8:28	1.6	7:02	7:49	☉
10	Fri	3:13	7.1	3:40	6.4	9:31	1.8	9:31	1.7	7:00	7:50	☾
11	Sat	4:10	7.1	4:36	6.7	10:30	1.6	10:38	1.5	6:59	7:50	☾
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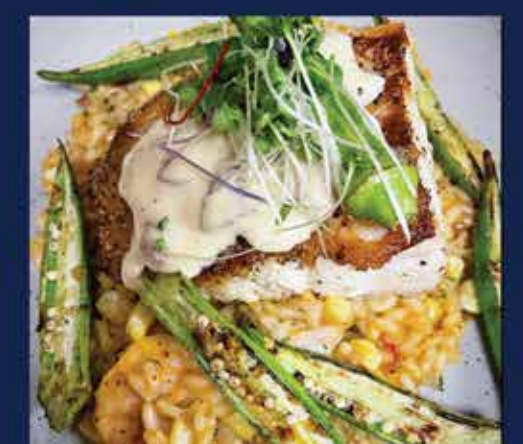
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By D.J. AMP

*Sitting on my back porch watching the rain, I came up with my top 10 songs for April. Rain songs, because you know the old saying, "April showers bring May flowers." Happy Easter, y'all, and I wish for sunshine for the kids' easter egg hunt.*

*As always, Turn It Up!*



1 - Have You Ever Seen the Rain - Creedence Clearwater

Revival

2 - Let it Rain - Eric Clapton

3 - Rainy Night in Georgia - Brook Benton

4 - Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain - Willie Nelson

5 - The Rain Song - Led Zeppelin

6 - Only Happy When It Rains - Garbage

7 - Rain Drops Keep Falling on my head - BJ Thomas

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9 - Rain - The Beatles

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**BOOK REVIEW**

By Nell Klein

**THEO OF GOLDEN**

By Allen Levi

I had been reading a lot of hype about this book, and I decided to give it a try. I'm so glad that I did it and I couldn't wait to tell you all about it.

Theo is an 86-year-old man originally from Portugal. He's been living in New York for the past 20 years and decides to move to Golden, GA on a whim. Golden is a small town on the Oxbow River and it's home to Golden University School of Art. Of course, that means that many of the residents of Golden are artists and musicians.

When Theo first comes to town, he enters *The Chalice*, a coffee shop owned by Shep and his wife Addie. Theo is amazed to find 92 portraits on the walls of the coffee shop, all done in pencil on white paper of local residents of Golden. He learns from Shep that all the portraits were done by the same artist, a local man named Asher Glisson. Theo decides that he wants to purchase the portraits, one at a time, and give the picture to the person in the picture. He pays \$125 for each picture, and he begins his quest to return all of the pictures to "their rightful owners."

First, he needs to find a place to live because he plans to stay in Golden for a while. He meets Tony, who owns a local bookstore called, "*Verbivore*". (I love that name!) So, Tony introduces Theo to James Ponder of *Ponderhouse* which is a few doors down from *Verbivore*. James offers Theo a small apartment at the top of the building and Theo is all set. He enlists the help of James and his assistant, Mrs. Gidley, in his quest. James finds the addresses of each person in the portrait and Mrs. Gidley types a letter from Theo asking each recipient to meet him at a bench that sits in the town square.

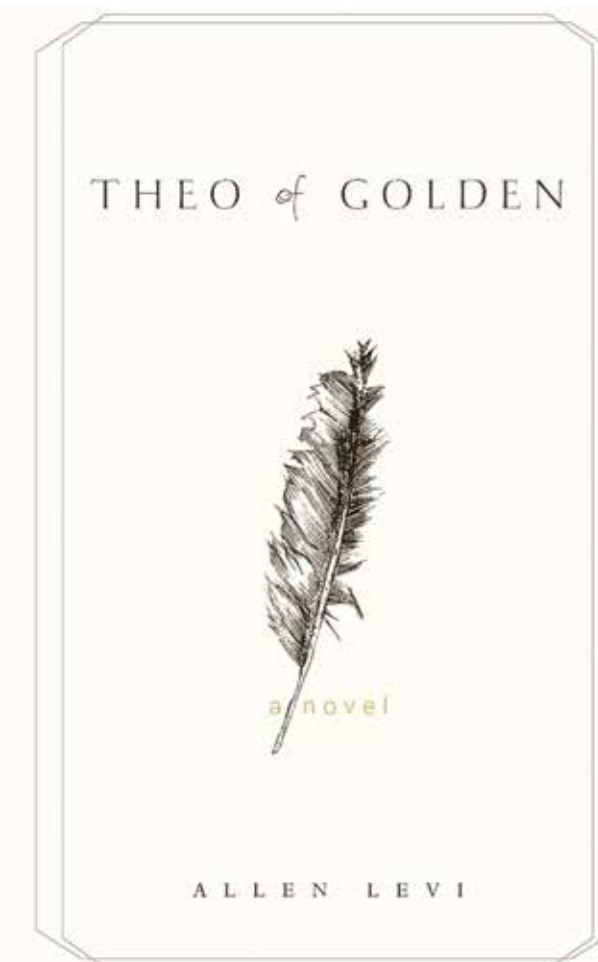
In the course of the book we meet a great group of people, all with their own unique story. In addition to Asher Glisson, the artist, we meet Simone, a cello player, and Kendrick a local laborer wit. Each time Theo gives one of the portraits away, he learns the story of the recipient and a friendship is born and, in many cases, a life is altered. This story is about giving and receiving and it is wonderfully written. I loved every single page of this book, and it's one that you don't want to end.

To quote Jane Austen, "If a book is well written, I always find it too short." You won't find out who Theo is and what his purpose is until the end of the book, but you will love every minute getting there.

Who is Theo? What is really doing in Golden? You will have to read this very delightful book to find out all the answers. I give this book 5 plus roses. It's just a wonderful book that I know you will love.

Welcome to April, the first month of Spring and I hope that you have a wonderful Easter!

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



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## RACHEL'S BEACH BITES

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We started out with the Italian Sub. I swear to God, this sub is THE SUB! Fat full of pepperoni, salami, pepperoni, mortadella, ham, provolone, signature roasted tomato topping, a scoop of lettuce, seasoning, and love, you have to smash it down with your hands to shove it into your face. Subway has no clue on this baby! And on the cheap, y'all!

Next up was their beefy hot dog! A big, fatty with flavor of anything you want on it. We did the mustard and ketchup because we are easy and you don't want to over do your dog. Belly filler!

Rachel set us up with drinks too!! Again, perfect beach apparel. First out was the Mermaid Dirty Soda. Oh, goodness! This is the coconut goddess of a drink. Super coconutty and carbonated, we really wanted to add some Malibu to it, but we are adults and responsible people. Haha! But yes.

The second drink was their Cotton Candy Milkshake! Yes, please and thank you. If you're old, it reminds you when you were young. If you're young, it tells you when you can fly. Thick and completely out of control with a big, ol' dollop of cotton candy on the noggin, it is pure childhood bliss.

Our last drinky drink was the Tybee Hurricane. Cherry heavy with a dollop of cream, it is really beach ready and you will be too!

Rachel's also serves up loaded dogs, hot mess dogs, bbq sandwiches, nachos, ice cream and other snacky snacks that will have you drooling. Everything is wonderful beach food and ready to inhale fresh on your way to the beach.

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Wait, what's this column doing back in the in the Beachcomber? An article about sports? You thought they ran me off I bet? "There used to be one in the magazine, but I haven't seen it for a while" (or didn't realize that it was absent), I know you're saying. Well, missed deadlines, miscommunication and a general malaise contributed to it not in the last two issue, but I am back and ready to go. Spring has sprung on Tybee where we survived another St. Patrick's Day (I think), spring breaks are still in force with young people everywhere and sports are going crazy right now. Other than October, this is one of the best times of the year with March Madness ending, baseball back and, of course, the Masters in just a week. You knew I wasn't going to miss the opportunity to write about that, so let's get going people.

Let's start with a little bit about March Madness basketball. We will be down to the Final Four when you're reading this and most people have the number one seeds in contention in their brackets. For what it's worth, I picked Arizona over Houston, so let's see how that plays out. The Georgia Bulldogs (a football school) made it to the Big Dance for the second consecutive year for the first time in over 20 years, but once again we're steamrolled and made an early exit, just like last year. At one point, Georgia was down 40 points to the Saint Louis Billikens, which is beyond embarrassing. They finished on a 17-2 run to close it to 25 points at the end. Unbelievable again! Last year they were down 27-3 to start the game with Gonzaga and never recovered. Some will say fire Coach Mike White, but others will say he got us to the tournament for two years in a row, so give him another year. We shall see. As always, I say hurry up. Labor Day!

The Atlanta Braves begin another season with hopes to make the playoffs and of course the World Series. A lot of it is going to depend on pitching and of course hitting. Wait, what did I just say? Isn't that baseball? The starting rotation has been hurt once again with two pitchers out, Schwellenbach and Smith-Shaver. They will cobble together a five-man rotation and hope to get them back at some point. The biggest key is for the Braves bats to come alive after a disappointing 2025 campaign. Ronald Acuna had a great year, but Austin Riley, Ozzie Albies and Michael Harris need to pick it up big time. The LA Dodgers are the overwhelming favorites to win the World Series and they're my pick as well. Play ball, fellas!

Lastly, but never least, the Masters golf tournament begins next week just up the road in Augusta. The flora and fauna will be on display as well as the inexpensive concession prices including, you know what: my favorite pimento cheese sandwiches! I won't be attending, but I'll have my pimento cheese and egg salad ready. After Rory won last year to complete the lifetime Grand Slam. I think the field is more open this year than ever. Scotty Scheffler's having an off year for him, but I expect him to contend along with TPC winner Cameron Young, Matt Fitzpatrick, and Victor Hovland. My pick is Xander Schauffele. Hopefully, it will come down to an exciting second nine on Sunday afternoon. Either way, I'll be glued to the TV for four days as it's one of my favorite events of the year. But you knew that! Glad to be back with you all and I look forward to seeing you in May.

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# From the Mayor's Desk

Mayor Brian West

This is a rendering of the plans for a new park at Polk and Solomon. We have lots of debris to clean out of that area, which will start soon. Let us know what you think about the plans. [Brian.West@cityoftybee.gov](mailto:Brian.West@cityoftybee.gov).

Happy April!



*Brian West*

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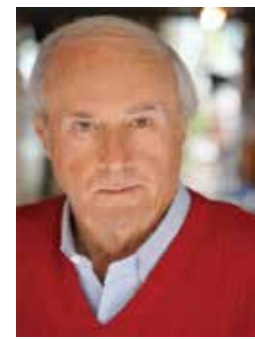
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# Life on the Bike Path

By John O'Neill

I thought the cold weather would never end, but it did; that means we are smack dab in the middle of our Spring season. Lord help us as we know the crazies have descended upon us once again. But, not to worry. Your pal, Johnny O, has a few tips to help you avoid being victimized by idiots this year.

First off, if you find yourself in one of our parking lots, particularly those at the market and the inconvenient stores, listen up! As you SLOWLY move through those areas, keep your eyes open for any vehicles with their "back-up" lights engaged. This means that that car is in reverse and could slam into your ride at any moment. It happens all the time. Do what I do. Sit there and wait until that driver backs out and leaves the lot. This may take a while sometimes. I've been known to block the way for over twenty-two and a half minutes, but that's OK. At least I don't have to go to the body shop. It creates sort of a Mexican standoff every now and then (no disrespect to our neighbors from South of the border you understand). FYI: Most of the time that driver is on the phone anyway, which increases the danger to you and your chariot.

Secondly, if you are patronizing one of our many bistros or sidewalk cafes, you will no doubt be accosted by somebody who is not from around here who will ask you, "Don't you know the laws in the City of Savannah"? This usually refers to someone smoking at a nearby table. DO NOT. I REPEAT: Do not engage these people, as most of them tend to be mentally unstable. You will be tempted to try and explain to them that this isn't Savannah, but that will only cause further problems. Do what I do. Play like you are on the phone or are deaf. You'll thank me later.

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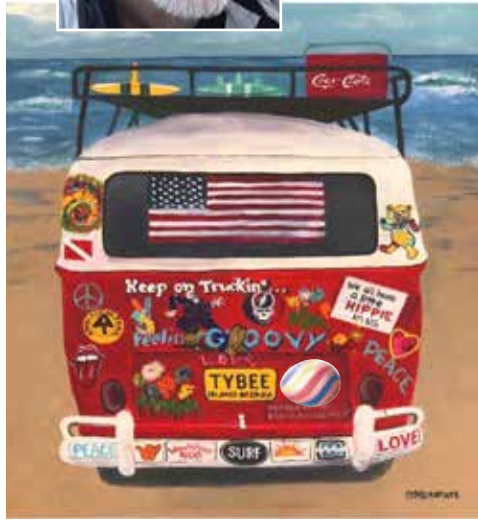
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# ARTIST OF THE MONTH - CO Brown



My inspiration comes from multiple sources. The beauty God creates in nature, such as sunrises, sunsets, the sky, flowers and so many other things. The inspiration received when someone loves my art as much as I do. When they are willing to put my art in their home. The excitement they share with me is a major inspiration to continue creating the next one.

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Stay in the know! Check out our Facebook page for event details and the latest information.

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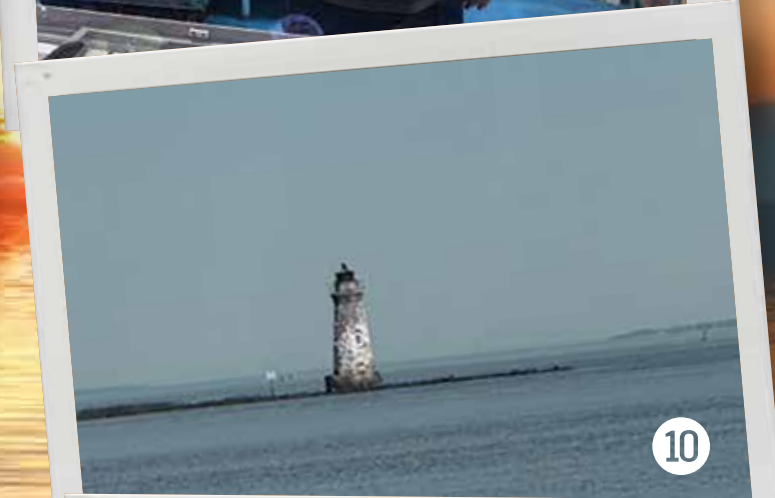
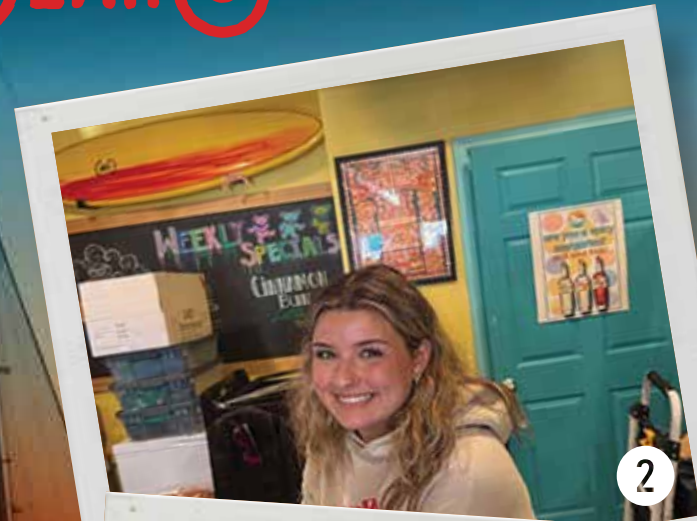
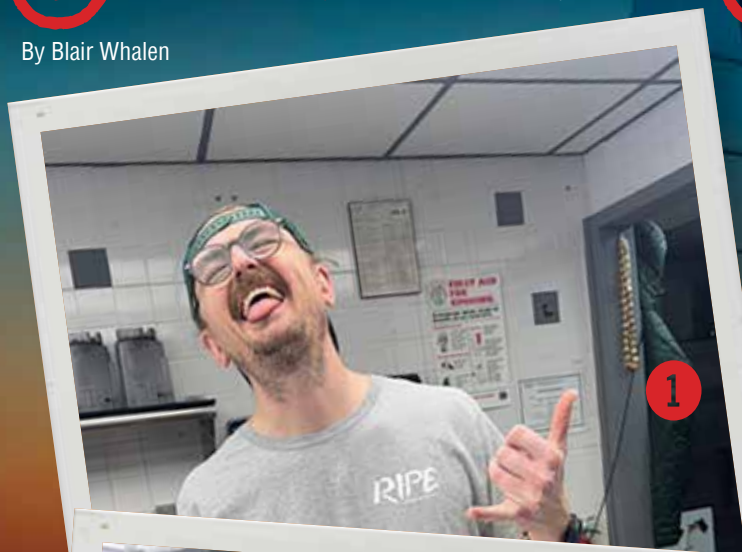
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# BOUNCING WITH BLAIR

By Blair Whalen



**1** It was really early and bright outside but Miles was awake and ready to serve me the juice at Ripe!

**2** I have never been more excited to order a bagel than I was with Avery at the Surfing Goat. It was delicious!

**3** Jamie at T.S. Chu's was thrilled to show me the new maps and awesome VW bus in the Department Store. They have really got some cool things going on in there!

**4** You seriously cannot go wrong when you order a drink from Kristin aka Red at Spanky's!

**5** Cheyenne and Ryan were ready to rock it at for the lunch crowd at Fannie's! Their coconut shrimp is off the chain!

**6** Yes, I was feeling tipsy at Rip Tide bar but apparently you are still not to call Jamey "Daddy" even if his shirt says so.

**7** Liquor reps make every bartender happy as you can tell by Jerome's happy face with Cameron!

**8** Michael at the Sugar Shack was more than happy to serve me a delicious treat, even though it was not the afternoon delight I had in mind! IFYKY!

**9** Stopped in for a quick bite at North Beach and Coy was amazing at taking care of us!

**10** Oh, look! The Cockspur Lighthouse! I took a picture of it so you don't have to stop on the bridge and do it. Yourx welcome!

**11** I caught two of Captain Derek's finest first mates, Emmie B. and Patrick getting ready for a dolphin tour. That is a good time right there!

**12** I miss this kid! Ran into him at the Wind Rose and nothing like Richie Dascall to lighten up a room!



# PERVY PET OF THE MONTH

## Nova

Nova likes to go for walks, car rides, and to play with other dogs. She also likes to be lazy, eat, and lay around all day.

She doesn't like when her mom leaves her for long periods and she doesn't like thunderstorms and fireworks.

Nova came from Vidalia and was going to be euthanized. Renegade Rescue went to get her and I rescued her from Renegade just over 3 years ago. She is about 5 years old.



# Beach Walks with Dr. Joe

By Dr. Joe Richardson

## Bryozoans

Common, but often overlooked and frequently misidentified. That's the situation with this month's subject, the Bryozoans. The Bryozoans form their own phylum or group in the animal kingdom, but it is generally considered one of the minor phyla. The name Bryozoan literally means "moss animal," and that comes from the fact that many species form small moss-like or tiny bush-like tufts that sort of resemble moss in shape. As you would imagine, these small upright bushy individuals are often mistaken to be small clumps of seaweed. As a seaweed biologist, I've been fooled by some of these bushy Bryozoans myself.

A single Bryozoan animal (a zoid) is tiny; but they repeatedly reproduce asexually by budding off new individuals adjacent to each other to form ever-enlarging colonies, and it is the resulting colony that we are able to see. The tiny zoid is a generally box-shaped, and on its surface, it has a small trap door that can open to allow a funnel-shaped crown of tiny tentacles to stick out. These tentacles capture microscopic food particles and direct them down into the zoid's mouth inside.

Around here, we mostly have three different kinds of Bryozoans, based on how the zoids bud off new individuals and grow into the three different kinds of colonies. As mentioned previously, one of these types is the upright, branched, moss-like, bushy Bryozoans. They are the ones that sometimes look like small seaweeds. One of our most common is the Muddy Bryozoan that forms dark brown tufts of multibranching colonies that often grow on the lower sides of jetty rocks. Sometimes they get torn off and wash up on the beach. Another bushy Bryozoan that sometimes washes ashore is reddish-brown Bugula. It really resembles a piece of red seaweed.



We also sometimes find washed ashore a rubbery Bryozoan. A common name for it is "dead-man's fingers." It is light brown in color, rubbery and branched. It actually grows around the dead inner core of Sea Whips, so its branching pattern is that of the Sea Whip it is growing on.

The third type is probably the most common and abundant, but also probably the most overlooked. This is the encrusting type of Bryozoans. Their budding pattern is pretty much in two dimensions, so they form expanding crusty-like layers on top of shells, rocks and often on pieces of Horseshoe crab exoskeletons. If you look very closely, you can see the tiny individual zoids with their hard shoebox-like sides growing next to each other. These crusts on shells are generally gray or white. During a really good negative low tide, you can sometimes see patches of a bright orange encrusting Bryozoan that grows on the lower surface of outer jetty rocks just above the water line.

Bryozoans are great examples of how tiny animals have adapted asexual growth to form large colonies as a strategy for survival.

*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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## Tybee Island Main Street

Maggie Wright | Main Street / DDA Coordinator

Spring has officially arrived on Tybee Island, bringing warmer weather, longer days, and plenty of reasons to get outside and enjoy the island. As the season picks up, visitors are returning, local businesses are welcoming more foot traffic, and the community is gearing up for a fun and active spring.

One of the biggest highlights this month is the **2026 Turtle Trot 5K**, hosted by the **Tybee Island Marine Science Center**. Get ready to run, walk, or crawl on the beach for this beloved annual event that supports the Tybee Island Sea Turtle Project. The Turtle Trot helps protect the endangered loggerhead sea turtles that nest on our shores every summer. The race will take place at 9:00 AM on Saturday, April 25, starting at the North Beach crossover next to the Tybee Island Marine Science Center. This family-friendly event encourages costumes, so participants are invited to get creative and join in the fun while supporting an important conservation effort.

Tybee Island Main Street is also excited to host **Mornings with Main Street** on April 1 from 10 AM to 12 PM, with the location to be announced. These free, drop-in sessions are designed to support Tybee business owners with all things marketing. Business owners are invited to stop by anytime to ask questions, troubleshoot challenges, brainstorm creative ideas, and gain fresh strategies to grow their businesses. No appointment is needed, just grab a coffee and join the conversation.

Mornings with Main Street is hosted by Maggie Wright, Main Street Coordinator, alongside Nadia Osman, a marketing strategist and business innovator with more than fifteen years of experience helping entrepreneurs grow their digital presence. Nadia is the Founder and Director of Wayfarer Marketing and specializes in brand identity, social media, and digital visibility.

Tybee Island Main Street is also continuing to build new programming for the spring and summer seasons while developing additional resources and support opportunities for Tybee Island businesses. Staff and board members have been focusing on ways to strengthen business outreach, expand promotional opportunities, and connect local businesses with helpful tools and partnerships.

One program that continues to grow is the **Turtle Friendly Business Program**, a partnership between Tybee Island Main Street and Fight Dirty Tybee. The program recognizes businesses that take steps to reduce single-use plastics and operate in ways that help protect Tybee's coastal environment. This year, Main Street and Fight Dirty Tybee have been working hard to recertify existing Turtle Friendly businesses while also recruiting new Tybee Island businesses to join the program. The goal is to continue expanding the program and celebrate the many local businesses that are committed to protecting Tybee's natural resources.

Tybee Island Main Street is grateful for the continued support of our residents, business owners, volunteers, and city partners. Your involvement and enthusiasm help keep our island vibrant and thriving.

For event updates, local highlights, and weekend happenings, follow Tybee Island Main Street on Facebook. You can also view upcoming meetings on the City of Tybee calendar or reach out directly at [maggie.wright@cityoftybee.gov](mailto:maggie.wright@cityoftybee.gov) or (912) 760-4374.

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**American Legion** - Canteen open Monday-Saturday 5pm, Bar Games Tuesday and Thursday and Saturday 6-9pm, Line Dancing on Wednesday, Friday Bingo. Dinners as advertised on Thursday, Pizza on first Monday of the month. Last Wednesday of the month Birthday Party. 10 Veterans Dr.

**Crab Shack** - \$20 Winter Lunch Specials! Open year round! Where the Elite Eat in Their Bare Feet! 40 Estill Hammock Rd.

**Bernie's Oyster House** - Happy Hour Monday thru Friday 3-6pm. Best Bloody Mary's! Fresh Oysters! 13 Tybrisa.

**Bubba Gumbo's** - Happy Hour Monday-Friday 4-6pm. Freshest seafood in town. Amazing water views. Open 7 days a week Monday-Saturday at noon and Sunday Brunch starts at 11am. Check out our Facebook page for daily specials. 1 Old Highway.

**Doc's Bar** - Happy Hour Monday thru Friday 4-7pm. Live Music Friday & Saturday 8pm, Wednesday 7:30pm, Sunday 3pm. Kitchen open Tuesday thru Sunday 11am - 6:45pm. 10 Tybrisa St.

**Fannie's on the Beach** - Open every day at 11am, serving Lunch and Dinner. Oceanfront indoor and sidewalk seating year-round. Ocean view Dining & Bars on 2nd Floor and 3rd Floor Open Air Decks (seasonal). 1613 Strand Ave.

**Farace's Finest Pizza & Pints** - Fantastic pizza, sandwiches & salads on the south end of Tybee with a beautiful pet and family friendly patio. Featuring house made dough and local suppliers. Order online at [FaracesFinest.com](http://FaracesFinest.com) or give us a call at 912-428-8311. 1605 Inlet Ave next to the Park of Seven Flags.

**Huc-A-Poos** - There is ALWAYS something going on at Poo's!! Live music, trivia, lunch, dinner, kids, dogs, football, debauchery and fun! Check out their Facebook page for all the details. 13 Hwy 80, Shops at Tybee Oaks. (912) 786-5900

**The Kelpie Bistro & Pub** - A British pub that offers your favorite traditional pub fare along with a huge variety of imported beers and classic fresh cocktails. Open Wednesday - Monday from 11:30am to 9pm. Happy Hour weeknights from 3-6pm with \$5 wines/wells, \$2 off domestics and \$1 off imports. Check Facebook and Instagram for dinner specials and events. 725B First Street - next to the Chu's on Campbell.

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**Sea Wolf Tybee** - Open 7 days a week, Monday thru Friday 4-10pm. Join us on Saturdays and Sundays for Captain's Brunch and live music, starting at 11am. Fine oysters, gourmet hot dogs and vegan fare. Come enjoy a fancy cocktail at the bar or split a bottle of bubbly on the patio. 105 S. Campbell (next to the Post Office).

**Spanky's Beachside** - Daily cocktail and beer specials. Home of the Original Chicken Finger! Trivia Night every Monday at 7pm. 1605 Strand Ave.

**Tybean Art & Coffee Bar** - Serving coffees roasted by Batdorf & Bronson - Espresso, Cold Brew, Nitro on Tap, Frappes, Smoothies and More! Call for hours (912) 224-5227. 1213 Hwy 80 East. (Next door to Huc A Poos.)

**Tybee Lite Shrine Club** - Tuesday Nite Supper Club, \$15 homemade meal with beverages and dessert. Cash bar and snacks. Opens at 5pm for socializing and games. Invocation at 7pm with dinner following. 35 Meddin Drive (across from Tybee Lighthouse)

**Tybee Time** - Happy Hour Monday thru Friday 4-7pm. 1603 Strand Ave.

**Wind Rose Bar and Grill** - Happy Hour Monday thru Friday 4-7pm, Daily Lunch Specials, Bingo with Joey Wednesdays 8pm. 19 Tybrisa St.



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## Cooking with Cowart - Chocolate Heath Bar Trifle

By Lynn Cowart

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### Ingredients:

- 1 box of chocolate cake mix (and all ingredients on box to make cake)
- 2 large boxes chocolate pudding
- 6 cups of whole milk
- 2 large tubs cool whip
- Copius amounts of crushed Heath bars (the more the better) or any chocolate candy you prefer

### Directions:

Make cake according to box directions  
Let cake cool  
Make pudding  
Cut cooled cake into pieces and layer into a bowl. Top with pudding, then Cool Whip, then Heath bars and repeat!!! That's it!!  
Let sit in the fridge for a couple of hours before serving and make sure not to fight your family for seconds, or you could just be stingy and eat it all yourself because who says you can't!



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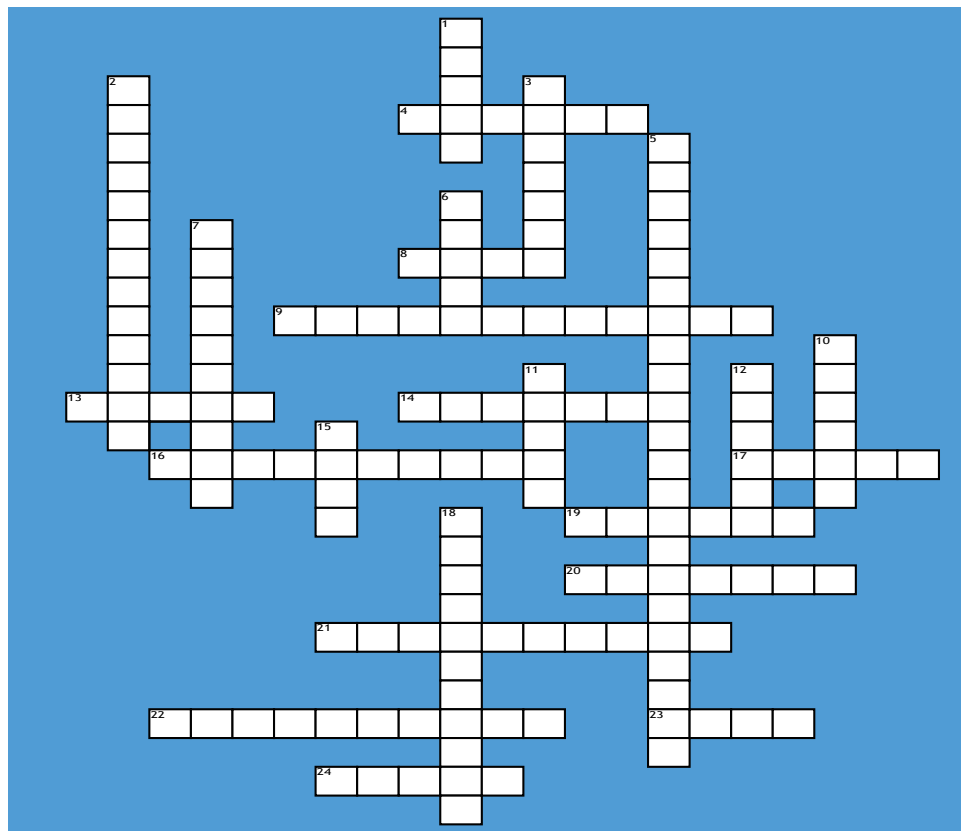
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- 8. Pervy Pet
- 9. Crab Shack offers great views of
- 13. Chocolate \_\_\_\_\_ Bar Trifle
- 14. Kelpie offers local flavors with a \_\_\_\_\_ flair
- 16. The name Bryozoan means
- 17. Sea Wolf offers \_\_\_\_\_ cocktails
- 19. Theo of
- 20. It is Easter \_\_\_\_\_ time
- 21. Where do you get your teeth cleaned
- 22. Turtle Trot helps protect what type of turtles
- 23. River's End has a swimming
- 24. What is one of the things we can look forward to in April

## Down

- 1. Totally \_\_\_\_\_ Free Cleaning
- 2. What happens every Monday from 4pm – 7pm at the Lighthouse
- 3. Photo of the month submitted by Joe
- 5. Dr. Joe conducts \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Artist of the month
- 7. Annual 5k benefit
- 10. Johnny O says we are smack dab in the middle of our \_\_\_\_\_ season
- 11. What country did Claire and Linda travel to
- 12. Tybean \_\_\_\_\_ Bar
- 15. #9 on the Top 10
- 18. Ripe



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| Fancy         | Italy                     |
| Toxic         | Egg hunt                  |
| Pool          | Turtle Trot               |
| Tybee Teeth   | Farmers Market            |
| British       | Spring                    |
| Chimney Creek | Heath                     |
| Brown         | Golden                    |
| Nova          | Tybee Beach Ecology Trips |
| Pedulla       | Moss animal               |

# Life's a Beach Events

What's happening in April By Mom

**4-3, 4-4, 4-5, 4-10, 4-11 & 4-12-“Play On”**  
 7:30pm on 4-3, 4-4, 4-10 & 4-11 with matinees at 3pm on 4-5 & 4-12. All at Jim Ingham Black Box Theater, 7 Cedarwood Ave. Go to [www.tybeearts.org](http://www.tybeearts.org) for tickets and information.

**4-3, 4-10, 4-17, & 4-24- Free Yoga Fridays**  
 9am to 10am (weather permitting) and sponsored by The Deck Beach Bar and Kitchen. Bring a beach towel, water, and sunscreen. Park in the lowest level of the parking deck close to the pool in a space marked “The Deck.”

**4-3, 4-10, 4-17, & 4-24-Music and Movement at the Library**  
 10:30am to 11:30am at Tybee Island Branch Library, 405 Butler Ave. Music & Movement for 2+ age group, sing, dance, play instruments. Call 912-786-7733 for more info.

**4-6, 4-13, 4-20, & 4-27- Tybee's Farmers and Artisan's Market**  
 4pm to 7pm every Monday through October at 30 Meddin Dr. Fresh veggies and artistic treasures and live music will be available. Don't forget to shop local!

**4-6, 4-13, 4-20, & 4-27-Morning Craft at the Library**  
 10:30am to 11:30am for morning craft (2+ in age) at Tybee Island Branch Library, 405 Butler Ave. Call 912-786-7733 for more info.

**4-8-Uniquely Lunch & Learn-“You're a Good Gardner, The Plants Should Have tried Harder”**  
 11:30am to 1pm at Mission Hall, All Saint's

Episcopal Church, 804 Jones St. Bring your own lunch. Presenter will be Janice Insley. Bring a plant to swap. Tea, coffee and cookies provided. For more info, email Martha Makel at [2alnutz@gmail.com](mailto:2alnutz@gmail.com).

**4-9 & 4-23-Mahjong at the Library**  
 10:30am to 12:30pm at Tybee Island Branch Library, 405 Butler Ave. Free play for all levels. Instructor will be available but participants should have a basic idea on how to play the game. Call 912-786-7733 for more info.

**4-12-Let's Hit the Pier Area Tonight!**  
 6:30pm to 7:30pm (Note the new time) at the Pier. Set up at 1509 Strand. Bring family and friends too! All equipment provided.

**4-14- Adult Book Club at the Library**  
 3pm to 4pm at Tybee Island Branch Library, 405 Butler Ave. This month's book is “The Elephant of Belfast,” by S. Kirk Walsh. Call 912-786-7733 for more information.

**4-19-Let's Make Sure the Pier Area is Cleaned Up!**  
 6:30pm to 7:30pm (Note the new time) at the Pier. Set up at 1509 Strand. Bring family and friends too! All equipment provided.

**4-25-2026 Turtle Trot**  
 9am to 12pm at the North Beach Crossover, next to the science center. This annual 5k event benefits the Tybee Island Sea Turtle Project. Go to <https://runsignup.com/Race/GA/TybeeIsland/TybeeTurtleTrot5kBeachRun> for info.





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