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# Upfront

“Sign me up for continuing.” This was the first response we got to my essay in the previous issue. In the piece, I had referenced the apparent complexity regarding the notion of free speech in modern society. As a result, we would be charging for it (free speech), I declared. The Skinnie would no longer arrive with bi-weekly regularity and our compliments; we would routinely collect a “reasonable” sum for the magazine from you unless you opt out.

Surprisingly – and happily – exactly one (ONLY ONE!) reader wrote us to “cancel.” She said succinctly, “I do not want further issues. Do not try to charge me for any.” Well, I won’t. Given that we have no way of automatically extracting funds from you, our dear readers, it would be logistically difficult to demand payment. Also, given that the essay appeared in our annual April Fool’s issue, the piece was satirical. So...no...you don’t need to check your bank statements for illicit debits.

But the underlying conundrum remains true. It’s tough to make money in print media nowadays. (Try finding a Savannah Morning News in many of the outlets where it was regularly offered in the quaint times...2023.) Our business model relies on the faith advertisers invest in us to connect them in a meaningful way with you (an attractive and engaged audience). Thank you for supporting them.

Continuously weighing the pros and cons of a subscription program, we come back to the same answer again and again: No. By employing direct distribution, completely blanketing your zip code and extending our reach beyond it through various channels and clever tactics, we have more than twice as many readers as our competition, according to gatherable data and rational calculations.

So, for now, we won’t be charging you, despite our tongue-in-cheek claim otherwise for April Fool’s. But we thank the many among you who opted not to opt out.

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A couple of issues back, I mentioned that I was writing this column hurriedly, as I was soon due at the airport to begin a trip to Rome. One of my friends who joined us in Italy (our group totaled 23, which sounds unruly but was life-affirmingly magical) asked me how many times I had been there before. I think I’ve lost count, but 15 is a decent approximation.

One thing I do remember perfectly – my first meal on the first day I visited the Eternal City for the first time. My sister was living there then. My mother and I flew over

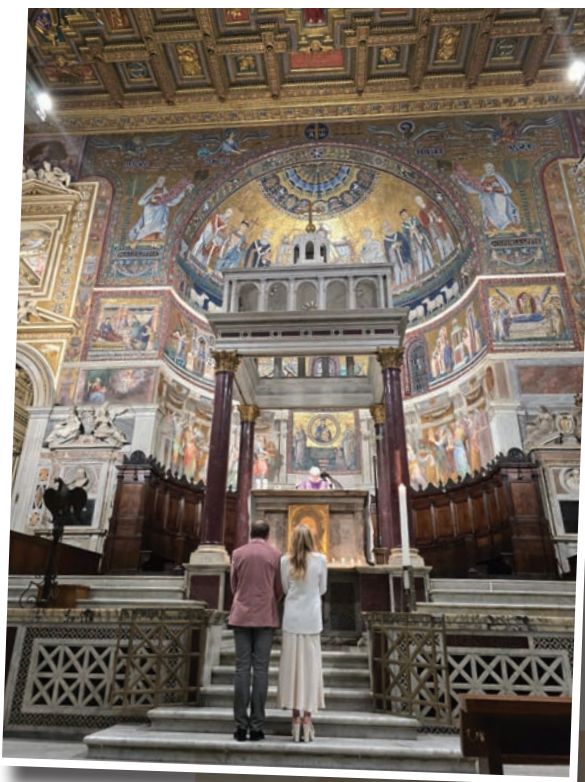
to see her. My sister took us to a place in the Jewish Ghetto called Al Pompiere. It was love at first sight, obsession at first bite. I believe it was December of 1988.

On March 4 of this year, we celebrated Mass that included a matrimonial blessing at the Basilica of Santa Maria in Trastevere, which traces its history to the 3rd or 4th Centuries, or the 8th, depending upon how much of the current structure you require to recognize the church’s beginnings. Regardless of its founding date, Santa Maria boasts staggeringly beautiful and vastly famous gold mosaics and an incredibly generous Roman priest and lovely sacramental assistant who graciously welcomed us and shared our union with their parish community.

In the late afternoon’s golden glow, we processed through ancient cobblestone streets from the Campo di Fiori across the Ponte Sisto spanning the Tiber River into the Trastevere neighborhood to the square that features the church. After Mass, we retraced our footsteps back across the river into the Jewish Ghetto to Al Pompiere’s doors, where I ate a crispy fried artichoke – an unchanged bit of elemental perfection and a culinary tribute to the city’s epic story – to which I was first introduced almost 40 years ago. I also ate rigatoni all’Amatriciana, a Roman classic. My recipe for this dish (of which there are many “true” versions) appears in this issue in my regular Smells Like Sunday feature.

The photographs on this page commemorate six incredible days from this late-February and early-March that will remain forever precious to me.

*Audrey Lawrence*



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This year was an especially important milestone in the life of St. Peter's, as it represented the 25th year the church has sponsored a fundraising event with all proceeds donated to community organizations working with at-risk children. In real dollars, this translates to more than \$1.4 million being given to 21 nonprofit organizations that work to enhance the lives of and opportunities for some of Savannah's most vulnerable children and their families.

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# Coastal Turkey

*Thoughts of Turkey often start and stop with Istanbul, a bustling city of 15 million people. But for the casual traveler, its narrow streets, crowded attractions, and shouting street vendors can be overwhelming. If you venture south along the Aegean coast, things calm, and you'll be met with ancient history and uncompromising beauty.*

## IZMIR

Boasting more than 3,000 years of recorded urban history, Izmir is Turkey's third-largest city. It's also one of Turkey's most traveler-friendly cities, with easy access to transportation and one of the highest rates of English proficiency. Izmir has a Mediterranean climate – hot, dry summers and mild, wet winters. From June to September, sunny days are expected, and festivals are prominent on the calendar. In spring and autumn, crowds diminish and the temperatures cool, but the sun remains.

A beautiful blend of Western and local cultures, Izmir offers a comfortable opportunity to become immersed in Turkish life. The airport,

servicing domestic and international destinations, is a 30-minute drive to Izmir's top destination in city center – the Roman Agora of Smyrna Archaeological Site. Dating to the 4th Century BC, it was home to Homer and an important center of early Christianity.

In the city, it's best to walk between destinations when you can; local drivers are often impatient and prone to risk-taking, and roads quickly become congested, especially in the late afternoon. The open-air Kemeraltı Bazaar began in the mid-17th Century. With 2,000 registered shops, you can find anything, from fresh-made Turkish delights to patterned headscarves. The small-but-detailed Izmir Archaeological Museum, located on the edge of the Konak district, recounts the area's

ancient history. Konak Square, home to the city's iconic clock tower, is the beating heart of Izmir. Walk along the pier, and you'll discover numerous options for ethnic cuisine, fine dining, and a range of hotels.

## EPHESUS AND SELÇUK

The ancient city of Ephesus is an hour south of Izmir and is easily accessible first by Izban, the intercity train, and then by taxi. For a hassle-free journey, bus tours can also be booked. It is one of Turkey's most popular tourist sites, drawing large crowds all year, especially during summer. Visiting in early spring or late fall at opening time guarantees smaller crowds, making it easier to move through the stunning city at your own pace. Its ruins, some dating to the 10th Century, are awe-inspiring. Unlike many archeological sites, which seem to be mere foundations of once-magnificent buildings, Ephesus remains comparatively intact. Walking the ancient streets, it's easy to imagine what life was like in this Greek and Roman city.

The important sites in the city complex are marked with detailed signs in English. Visitors can hire an official guide, purchase an audio guide, or opt for a self-guided experience, climbing the seats in the hillside theater (with seating for around 25,000) and admiring the mosaics and murals in the houses of the wealthy. For history buffs, this UNESCO site is packed with myths, stories, and evidence of the development of culture over 2,500 years.

Ephesus hosted the philosopher Heraclitus, Julius Caesar, Marc Anthony, Cleopatra, St. John, and Paul the Apostle. When Christ died on the cross, he entrusted his mother to St. John the Baptist. So, when John came to Ephesus, it is believed Mary came with him. The House



ABOVE: Founded as a thermal spa in the second century BC, Hierapolis grew into a holy city, and a center of healing.

OPPOSITE PAGE: Constructed under the reign of Hadrian after the earthquake of 60 AD, the Theatre of Hierapolis had a seating capacity of 15,000.



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With temperatures from 95-212° F, it's hard to resist a dip in the warm pools of Pamukkale.

of the Virgin Mary is where Christian archeologists claim she spent her last days. The ruins of the Basilica of St. John is another important biblical site, where John wrote his Gospel and the church was built over his tomb.

In the nearby town of Selçuk, the Ephesus Archeological Museum features key artifacts. The museum contains the statues of Artemis that once stood in the city's famous temple, just outside the center. Though now only a single column, the Temple of Artemis was once a Wonder of the World. It's steeped in legend, making a visit hard to resist.

### PAMUKKALE AND HIERAPOLIS

A three-hour drive from Izmir, the inland town of Pamukkale is a UNESCO site accessible by car, coach bus, or tour. Its name means "cotton castle" in Turkish – a sublime image befitting its moniker, as white travertine pillows the hillside. From a distance, this fragile, mineral-heavy limestone looks like puffs of cotton.

But Pamukkale isn't just an awe-inspiring geological site. At the top of the stair-stepped travertine is the ancient Greek city of Hierapolis. Founded as a thermal spa in the 2nd Century BC, Hierapolis grew into a holy city and a center of healing. Powder-blue water from 17 hot springs, with temperatures from 95 to 212 degrees Fahrenheit, fills the white pools. The travertines can be explored barefoot, and swimming is allowed in the pools. It's hard to resist a walk over the rocky surface. For some, a dip in the warm thermal pools is enough to brave the nearly empty attraction during the winter.

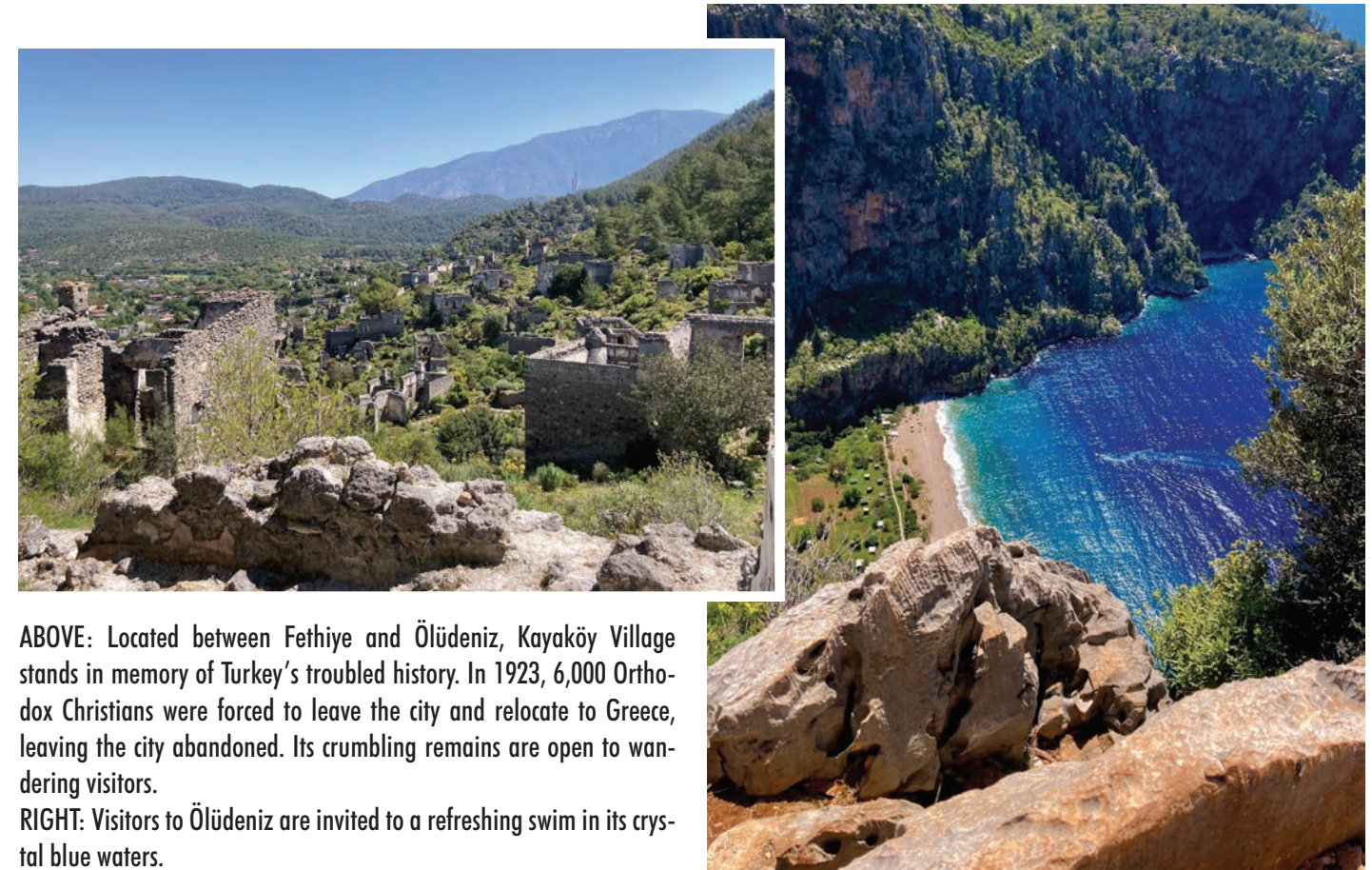
To avoid the crowds, opt for an early morning visit in the spring or fall, as Pamukkale is quickly growing in popularity, drawing ever-larger tour groups each year. The bus station is in Denizli, a nearby town. From there, a minibus runs regular routes to Pamukkale for a nominal fee. A single ticket grants entrance to both Pamukkale and Hierapolis. Purchased audio guides supplement the irregular signs found within the ruins.

A 15-minute drive south of Pamukkale reveals the Laodikeia Archaeological Site. This Hellenistic city was one of the biggest metropolises of Anatolia. A combination ticket for Pamukkale and Laodikeia is available. Tripolis – about 30 minutes northwest of Pamukkale – was an important epicenter of trade during the reign of Emperor Augustus. Stunning tile work, ancient roads, and impressive archways are on display.

### FETHIYE AND ÖLÜDENİZ

Further south on the Aegean shore, Fethiye is famous for its Turquoise Coast, a strip of pristine water in an entrancing blue. Though Fethiye is packed with tantalizing waterfront restaurants and wide-ranging accommodation options, it also offers visitors a taste of local Turkey, with its affordable kebab shops, national fast-food chains, and small-town culture. Fethiye hosts a coach bus station that connects visitors to cities in Turkey farther afield. From Fethiye, the surrounding area, including Ölüdeniz, is easily accessed via regular minibus routes. Though the buses fill quickly, many tourists prefer this method of transportation to avoid searching for parking at crowded destinations.

A short distance away is Ölüdeniz, a beach-side resort packed with



ABOVE: Located between Fethiye and Ölüdeniz, Kayaköy Village stands in memory of Turkey's troubled history. In 1923, 6,000 Orthodox Christians were forced to leave the city and relocate to Greece, leaving the city abandoned. Its crumbling remains are open to wandering visitors. RIGHT: Visitors to Ölüdeniz are invited to a refreshing swim in its crystal blue waters.



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Located on the edge of Fethiye, the ancient Tomb of Amyntas is easy to walk to. Hewn into the mountainside, it's reminiscent of Petra but on a smaller scale. About 30 miles from the city is Saklıkent National Park. Located in one of the world's deepest canyons, it features clear waters and stunning waterfalls.

### GALLIPOLI

Gallipoli Peninsula Historical National Park, a four-and-a-half-hour drive southwest of Istanbul, is rich with biological diversity and has a unique climate. The 33,000 hect-



ares are marked by the towering Ariburnu Cliffs, Tuz Golu Salt Lake, wooded hills and valleys, sandy beaches, and bright blue waters. Beautiful and crisscrossed with hiking trails, the peninsula is a place of quiet reflection and communion with nature. However, the silence also evokes the land's tragic but triumphant past.

Gallipoli was the center of an almost year-long campaign between the Allied and Ottoman forces during World War I (see page 21). The national park features memorials and monuments to the 500,000 soldiers on both sides, and experienced guides share the story of the Gallipoli Campaign and its heroes. One of the site's oldest tour companies, Crowded House Tours, provides a morning tour of the Helles Battlefield and an after-

noon tour focusing on the involvement of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC), which includes lunch.

March 18 is Çanakkale Victory Day, a national holiday in honor of the first Ottoman victory over the Allied powers in the Gallipoli Campaign. Commemorative services are held at dawn on Gallipoli. Though crowded, the excitement of victory is palpable and contagious, much like our 4th of July celebrations. ANZAC Day (April 25) is the day ANZAC troops landed at Gallipoli and is now a day of remembrance for Australian and New Zealand troops.

The Troy archeological site, listed by UNESCO, and its museum are a 30-minute drive from Çanakkale, the town closest to Gallipoli.

For many tourists, Turkey seems like a world away. Its language and culture are vastly different from ours and familiar Western Europe destinations. Yet the nation's rich history and cultural traditions encourage an eyes-wide-open view of life, creating an awareness of everyday wonders rivaled only by the beauty of the landscape.



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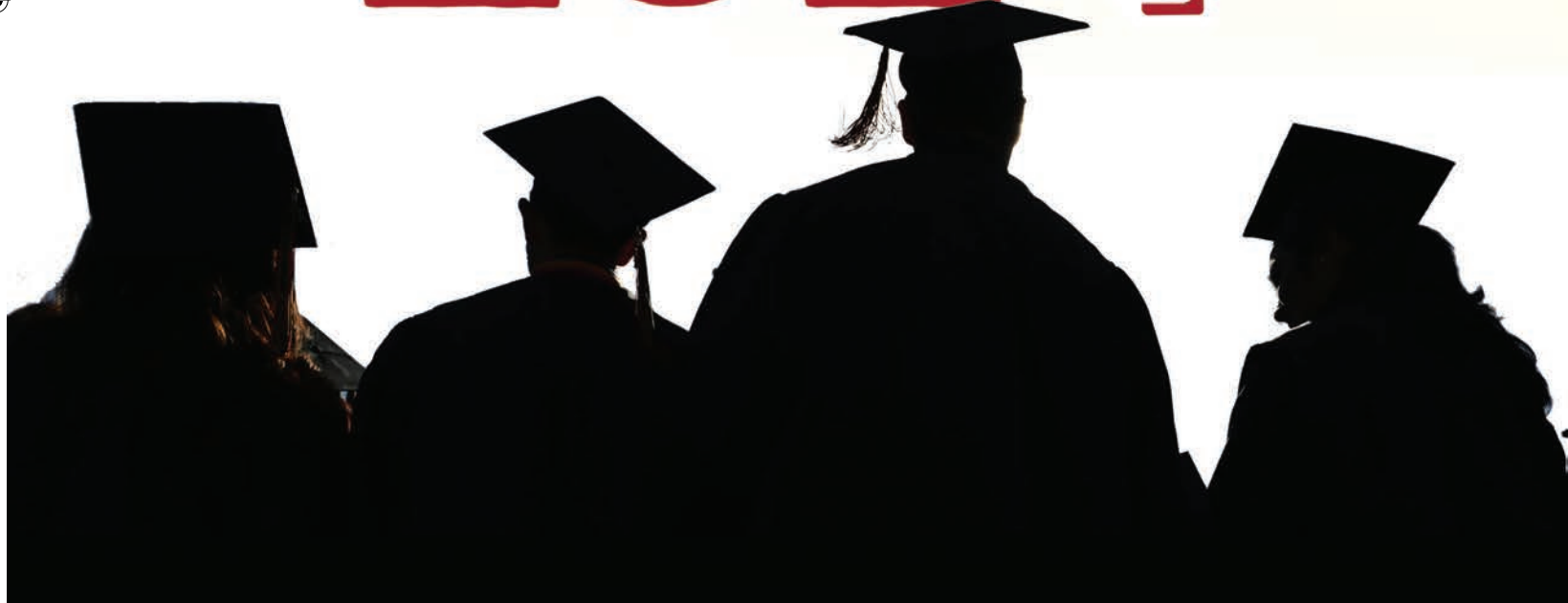




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# Smells Like Sunday

From the Kitchen of Scott Lauretti

I continuously push to improve my cooking. As I do, my recipes seem to trend simpler. Which is the cause, and which is the effect? As a younger (amateur) chef, I equated complexity with culinary talent. Confidence and wisdom that come only with time enable one to understand and accept that pure excellence can be completely uncomplicated. As a cook, you don't need to show off. But if you're sticking to a few ingredients, time-tested technique, and unfussy presentation, you'd better perfect what you're doing to transform the familiar

into the extraordinary.

This dish is a Roman staple. It is one of four essential pastas from the Roman canon: cacio e pepe (cheese and pepper), carbonara (guanciale – cured pork cheek, egg yolks, cheese), alla Grecia (guanciale, cheese, pepper), and all'Amatriciana (guanciale, tomatoes, cheese). Amatriciana originated in the town called Amatrice, within the region of

Lazio, which also contains Rome. Of the four Roman pasta sauces, Amatriciana is the only one that is red.

Some cooks use garlic; others leave it out. Onions can inspire debate. Which kind of noodle? What type of cheese? Tomatoes – whole or pureed? You get the point: Simple doesn't necessarily mean easy or easily agreed upon.

Mine? No garlic. Onions? Yes. Pecorino Romano





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cheese - no other variety will do. Which makes me sound like an Italian grandmother - her way or the autostrada - I'm aware. Guanciale is hard to find here, but pancetta works fine. One can of whole, peeled San Marzano tomatoes, to be crushed lovingly with your hands. The noodle is mezze rigatoni - short rigatoni - which is ideal in shape and smaller in size than its big brother, allowing for twice as many delectable bites. Its ridges adeptly capture, collect, and convey the magic of this heartwarming sauce. The secret skill: Undercook the pasta by 2 minutes from the lower limit of the suggested time range.

- 1 lb mezze rigatoni
- ¼ lb diced pancetta
- 1 - 28-oz can whole peeled San Marzano tomatoes
- ½ small to medium yellow onion, finely chopped (use your judgment; don't use too much)
- ½ to 1 c freshly grated pecorino Romano cheese
- 3 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- Fine sea salt, to taste

In a bowl, crush the tomatoes well with your hands. Heat olive oil in a high-sided

saute pan or Dutch oven over medium-high. Reduce to medium, add pancetta, and cook - stirring often - for a few minutes to render fat until the meat partially browns. Add onions, salt generously, stir well to coat, reduce heat to medium-low and cook for about 10 minutes. The onions should soften but not turn brown. Add tomatoes to the pan, salt generously, increase heat to medium-high/high, stir well, and bring to the beginnings of a boil. Reduce heat to low/medium-low and simmer uncovered for at least 20 minutes more.

Meanwhile, cook pasta in very liberally salted boiling water (see "secret skill" note at the end of the text above). Remove from the water and drain (don't rinse). Add to the sauce, increase the heat to medium, toss in the grated cheese, and stir well to incorporate all the components. After no more than a minute, remove from the heat and serve in bowls. Feeds 6 to 8 as a first course, 2 to 4 as a main.



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Nath calms patients by saying, “Having nodules doesn’t mean that they are life-threatening or will even affect your life. Many patients don’t know they are there.”

### BENIGN BUILDUPS

Most thyroid nodules are benign, or non-cancerous. Some occur when there is a buildup of thyroid cells. Others are caused by cysts that are filled with fluid. Many do not cause symptoms until they grow significantly.

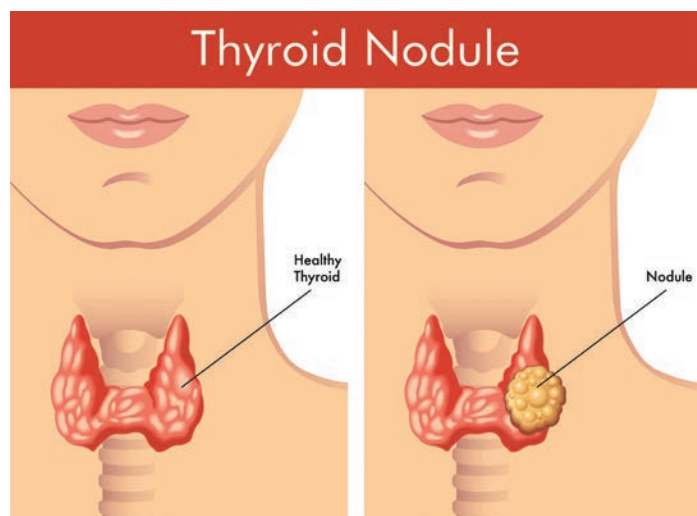
“Symptoms vary for different people,”

Nath explains. “Some may have pain or difficulty swallowing. Others could have swelling in their neck that they can see and feel, and yet don’t experience pain.”

In some cases, nodules can affect the hormones produced by the gland, causing symptoms of hyperthyroidism, or an overactive gland. Common symptoms of hyperthyroidism include nervousness, irritability, abnormal sweating, and thinning skin and hair.

### ULTRASOUND

If nodules are present – even if they are very small – Nath can detect them with ultrasound, a painless procedure in which sound waves create images of inner structures and tissues. “Ultrasound is the best tool to evaluate thyroid nodules,” Nath says. “Excellent,



Endocrinologist Priti Nath, MD

high-resolution ultrasound can detect nodules that are only five millimeters.”

Nath will only proceed with an ultrasound if the patient has an abnormal medical exam or a history of nodules.

“I like getting my own pictures and sharing them with patients if they would like to see,” she says. “If I find features that make a nodule a higher risk for malignancy, I will explain that to the patient, and we can have a conversation about what to do next.”

Often, patients will follow up with Nath in a year for another ultrasound. If there is no growth or changed characteristics of the nodules, she may allow the patient to wait two years for the next follow-up.

“Sometimes the best treatment is simply watchful waiting,” Nath says. “The ultrasound can tell us so much each time, so we can stay on top of it.”

### ENDOCRINOLOGY SERVICES

Along with thyroid disorders, Drs. Nath and Carolyn Nelson, her colleague at St.

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## Satisfying, Healthy Snacks

### Carbohydrates, proteins and healthy fats Score a trifecta for good nutrition.

Now that we are well into 2024, many weight-loss resolutions have fallen by the wayside and been forgotten. Yet, with warmer weather right around the corner, many people may try to crash diet their way to their desired beach body. Instead of subtracting foods, learn how to add them effectively.

Clinical dietitian Sean Alva, RD, LD, wants you to think about carbohydrates, proteins, and healthy fats as macronutrients – the heavy lifters in your diet that work better together.



“Each macronutrient serves a specific purpose in the body,” he says. “Protein is essential for tissue repair and growth; carbohydrates provide energy; and fats are necessary for various bodily functions, including the absorption of fat-soluble vitamins.”

Including all three of these macronutrients in a snack or meal ensures that you are meeting your body’s diverse nutritional needs.

“Healthy fats and protein help slow the absorption of carbohydrates, which can lead to more stable blood sugar levels,” Alva explains. “This is particularly important for in-

dividuals with diabetes or those looking to manage their blood sugar.”

Some of the micronutrients that everyone needs – vitamins such as A, D, E, and K – are fat-soluble, so they need the presence of dietary fats for proper absorption.

This all sounds logical, but will it taste good? Here are some healthy examples that might make your mouth water:

- Apple slices with peanut or various nut butters
- Cottage cheese with peaches
- Hummus with carrot sticks or sliced bell peppers
- Greek yogurt with fresh berries
- Cucumber sandwiches with cream cheese and whole-grain bread

“Certain foods may contain more than one macronutrient,” Alva says. “For example, peanut butter is a source of mono-unsaturated and polyunsaturated fats, as well as protein.”

What should you avoid? Saturated fats and simple sugars. Donuts, for example, have lots of both. That’s why you feel sluggish and hungry again after eating one.

“The right macronutrients can help give you steady energy throughout the day and help you not to overeat,” Alva says. “When you combine the three of them in a snack or meal, it helps you feel full and satisfied.”





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### Secure Elections

Securing elections is one of Ben's top priorities at the Capitol. He helped pass important legislation, Senate Bill 189, that will help election security in Georgia. The new law requires the official tabulation, or count, of any ballot to be based on the mark on the ballot, which stops the use of QR codes, barcodes or similar coding for counting ballots. It also requires counties to report absentee ballots within one hour of polls closing.

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# The Troops of the Gallipoli Campaign

During World War I, the French, British, and Russians on the Allied side formulated a plan to strain the resources of the Central Powers – led by Germany and the Austro-Hungarian Empire – by establishing an eastern front. This would require open passage from the Mediterranean, through the Aegean Sea, to Russian ports on the Black Sea. The Dardanelles Straits, a narrow channel connecting the Aegean to the Black Sea, was controlled by the Ottoman Empire, and critical to maintaining Allied supply lines. It would be crucial for the Allies to control passage through it.

In November of 1914, the British attempted to convince the Ottoman Empire to join the Allied side. When suasion failed, Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty at the time, proposed a naval attack on the Turkish stronghold of Gallipoli. Erroneous reports of underwhelming Ottoman troop strength convinced Churchill that a collection of obsolete battleships, which would have been of little use against the German navy, would be adequate against Ottoman forces.

On the morning of March 18, 1915, an Allied fleet with 18 battleships, cruisers, and destroyers launched an attack against the narrowest point of the Dardanelles where the straits are only a mile wide. The attack failed. The Dardanelles were protected by an extensive mine network and heavily armed land fortifications. Ottoman mobile artillery prevented Allied minesweepers from clearing the way for larger vessels.

Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton formulated plans to eliminate Turkish defenses. He chose to concentrate on the southern part of the Gallipoli peninsula, a key location on the shore of the Dardanelles, where Allied ground troops would attempt to secure the northern shore and cap-



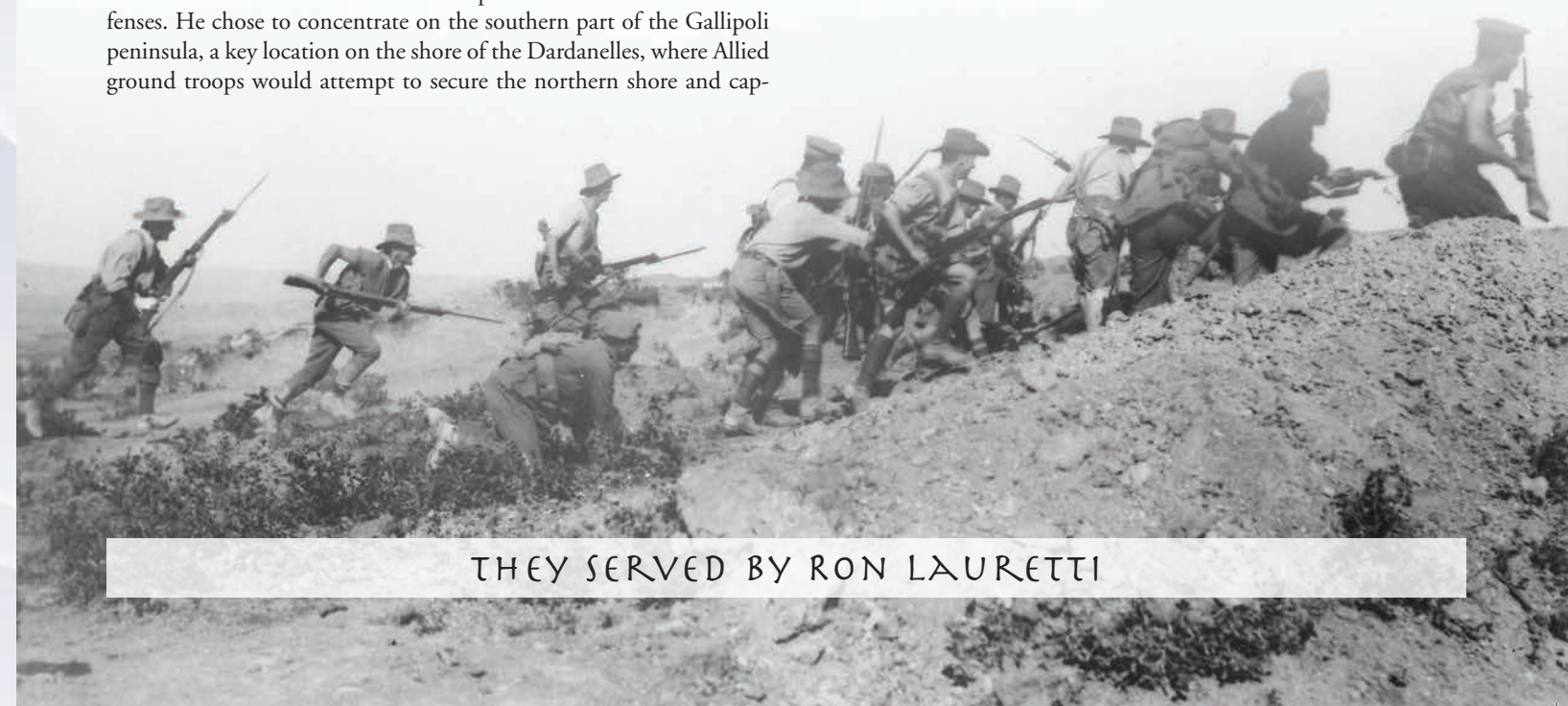
Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton

ture the Ottoman forts and artillery batteries, allowing the naval force to advance through the narrows towards Istanbul.

Troops were assembled for an amphibious assault, the first of its kind in modern warfare. Soldiers from the Australian Imperial and New Zealand Expeditionary Forces, encamped in Egypt, were merged into the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC) under the command of Lt. Gen. Sir William Birdwood. Joined by British and French units, ANZAC forces departed Egypt and assembled on the Greek island of Lemnos on April 12, where they began to practice landings.

Allied intelligence failed to effectively prepare for the campaign, in some cases relying on information provided by Egyptian travel guides. The fighting ability of the Ottoman soldiers was grossly underestimated, and Allied aerial reconnaissance was inadequate. Poor logistics and bad weather contributed to a five-week delay, while the Ottomans strengthened their defenses at Cape Helles and Seddülbahir, where the allies expected an unopposed landing.

On April 25, 1915, the assault on Gallipoli began with heavy na-



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val gunfire, followed by amphibious landings at five beaches on the peninsula. At 4 a.m., the first wave of ANZAC troops began moving towards the shore, spearheaded by the 3rd Australian Infantry Brigade. They were to land on the Aegean coast and advance across the peninsula, cutting off Ottoman troops in Kilitbahir and preventing reinforcements from reaching Cape Helles. Unfortunately, the covering force landed a mile north of their objective. The landing site rose steeply from the beaches and was garrisoned by Ottoman companies that inflicted heavy casualties on the Australians.

The French made a diversionary landing on Asian soil, where a New Zealand officer, Bernard Freyberg, earned the Distinguished Service Order for swimming ashore under fire to light flares to distract the Turkish defenders from the actual landings. The area held by the British and French became known as the Helles sector.

About four hours after the landings began, the bulk of the 1st Australian Division was ashore safely, and its leading elements pushed inland. Inaccurate maps and broken terrain prevented a coordinated drive. In the maze of steep ravines and dense scrub, Australian troops spread out into smaller groups. Some reached the second ridge, but few reached their objectives. Having dispersed, the covering force could provide little support to the follow-up troops. This sector of the peninsula became known as Anzac.

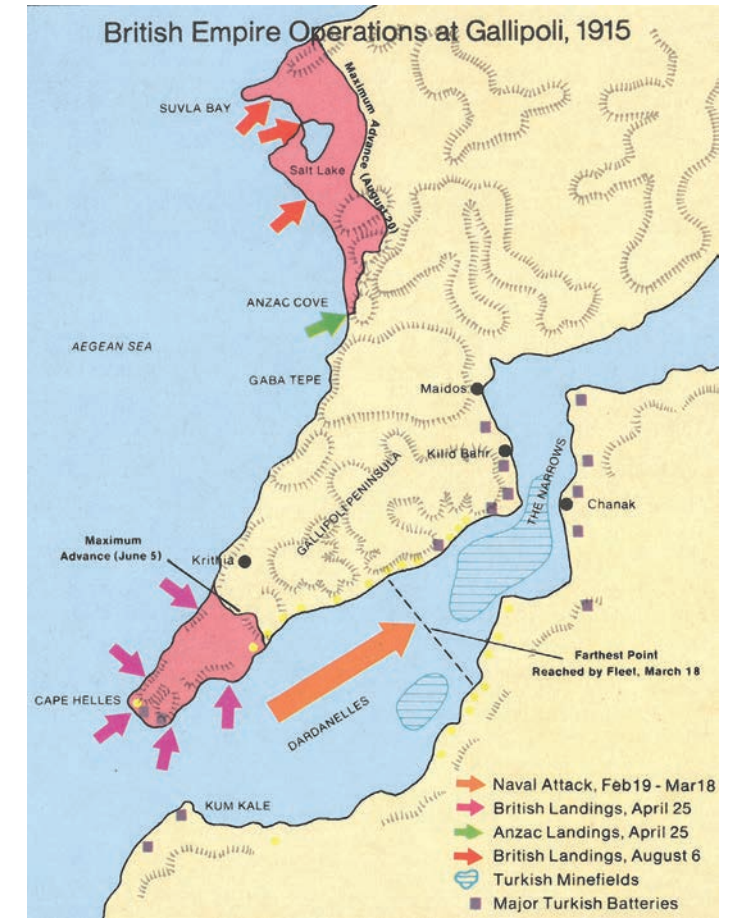
By mid-morning, Lt. Col. Mustafa Kemal Atatürk reorganized his Turkish defenders for a counterattack, which was eventually repelled. Failure to secure the high ground led to a tactical stalemate, with the Allied forces contained by the defenders in a mile-long perimeter.

Unable to retreat, Gen. Hamilton ordered his troops to dig in. ANZAC casualties on the first day numbered around 2,000 men killed or wounded.

Meanwhile, the Australian submarine HMAS AE2 had spent the day playing cat-and-mouse with an Ottoman battleship. Around 9 p.m., the AE2 surfaced to recharge batteries and send a radio report. The landing at Cape Helles was going well but the landing at Anzac Cove was less successful; reports of AE2's success were relayed to the soldiers ashore to improve morale. AE2's skipper, Lt. Cmdr. Henry Stoker, was ordered to "generally run amok" and, with no enemies in sight, he sailed into the Sea of Marmara, attacking several Ottoman ships in the following days.

After the landings, the Allies failed to exploit the situation and the attack lost momentum. The possibility of a swift victory disappeared as Ottoman reinforcements arrived. Lt. Gen. Birdwood told his superiors he was unable to land 6,000 horses of mounted infantry at Anzac Cove without water for them. Thousands of men and horses returned to Alexandria.

On April 30, Ottoman troops, believing they were on the verge of victory, began moving forward. Kemal dispatched eight battalions of reinforcements from Istanbul the next day, attacking at Helles and Anzac. They briefly broke through in the French sector but were repelled. The following night, ANZAC forces counterattacked, covered by a naval artillery barrage. Separated in the dark, their exposed left flank came under fire and was forced to retreat, resulting in about 1,000 casualties.



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The fighting at Helles and Anzac became a battle of attrition. Both sides consolidated their defenses, with opposing trenches separated in some places by only a few meters. There was a constant exchange of gifts thrown across "No-Man's Land," dates and sweets from the Ottoman side and cans of beef and packs of cigarettes from the Allies. As the stalemate continued into summer, conditions at Gallipoli grew worse for everyone. Heat and poor sanitation resulted in dysentery spreading through the Allied trenches, while unburied corpses became bloated and putrid. Reinforcements arrived in late summer, but on August 16 an autumn offensive in France was announced. A meeting of the Dardanelles Committee determined the French offensive would leave only about 25,000 reinforcements for Gallipoli.

On August 21, a final attempt to resuscitate the British offensive failed. Such defeats began to affect public opinion in Britain. With little prospect for an Allied victory, military leaders in London believed Gallipoli was depleting manpower and war-fighting equipment from the overall cause. The flow of reinforcements was reduced further when troops were transferred from Gallipoli to an additional Mediterranean front in Greek Macedonia.

The situation at Gallipoli became more complicated when Bulgaria joined the Central Powers. With a wide-open land route between Germany and the Ottoman Empire, the Germans rearmed the Ottomans with heavy artillery capable of devastating Allied trenches, especially on the confined front at Anzac.

When the idea of evacuation was raised, Gen. Hamilton argued it would result in 50 percent casualties. Thought to be overly nega-

tive, he was overruled and replaced by Lt. Gen. Sir Charles Monro, who advocated evacuation. After consulting with the commanders at Helles, Suvla, and Anzac, Field Marshal Herbert Kitchener agreed and passed Monro's recommendation to the British cabinet, who ordered the complete evacuation of the remaining Allied troops – 105,000 men.

Meanwhile, autumn and winter brought relief from the heat. However, it also brought gales, blizzards, and flooding. In November, three consecutive days of rain at Suvla flooded trenches, drowned soldiers, and washed unburied corpses into the lines. In early December, men froze to death in a blizzard, while thousands suffered frostbite.

Beginning December 7, the invasion force began evacuating, disguised by ruses. At Anzac Cove, troops maintained strict silence for more than an hour until curious Ottoman troops ventured to inspect the trenches, whereupon the ANZACS opened fire. This incident discouraged the Ottomans from inspecting when the actual evacuation occurred on December 19. Helles was retained for a period, but on the night of January 7, under cover of a naval bombardment, British troops retreated to the beaches and boarded boats. The last of the troops withdrew January 9, 1916. Shortly after dawn, the Ottomans retook Helles.

Roughly 480,000 Allied troops took part in the Gallipoli Campaign at a cost of more than 250,000 casualties, which included some 46,000 dead. Turkish casualties also totaled about 250,000 combatants, with 65,000 of them killed in action. Not all damage from of the Gallipoli Campaign occurred on the battlefield. Churchill had been in favor of the Gallipoli Campaign from the beginning, but it was regarded to be a major mistake of his career.

The campaign was considered a great Ottoman victory. It is regarded as a defining moment in the history of Turkey, forming the basis for the Turkish War of Independence and the declaration of the Republic of Turkey eight years later. Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, who rose to prominence as a commander at Gallipoli, became founder and president of the nation.

The campaign is often regarded as the beginning of Australian and New Zealand national consciousness. The anniversary of the landings, April 25, is known as Anzac Day, the most significant commemoration of military casualties and veterans in the two countries.



Gallipoli, as it appears today

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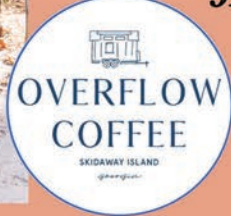
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## OPEN DOORS

# Get Your Tickets for Landlovers Tour of Homes

Landlovers bi-annual Tour of Homes is Saturday, May 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Eight Landings homes will provide a wonderful behind-the-door look at new building touches, an art-filled interior, major renovations (with before pictures), and homes that showcase each owner's personal style. Two homes will be available for touring at The Marshes this year: The Swan, a 2,300-square-foot cottage with marsh views, and The Wassau, a 1,265-square-foot villa/apartment in the main building.

A limited number of tickets are available for \$50 each and can be purchased through the Landlovers website or scan the QR code below. Details regarding where you can collect your ticket will be sent out soon, and ticket brochures with a brief description of each home and a map will be available in late April.



Parking may be limited at some locations. To minimize traffic, attendees are encouraged to travel by golf cart. The Marshes will provide a shuttle service from the Skidaway Island Methodist Church. Parking is available in the rear of the church and signs will direct visitors to shuttles. Please be advised that some locations on the tour have multiple stories and staircases. Volunteer docents will be available to assist guests navigating the homes and answer any questions they may have.

If you are hosting friends for this year's Landings Club member/guest golf tournament taking place the same weekend, this could be a wonderful way to entertain your guests.

Landlovers is proud the Tour of Homes continues to support the community. The event is one of Landlovers' major fundraisers and the last of this year's season. In prior years, it has raised more than \$20,000 for the Landings Landlovers Foundation to fund specific projects or

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programs, including cultural and educational services, nature and environmental issues and concerns, and health and safety initiatives.

Landlovers is very grateful to everyone who is opening their homes for viewing. The tour welcomes all Skidaway Island residents and their guests and will take place rain or shine. Attendees are sure to leave with inspiration for their own renovations, ideas for decorating projects, and suggestions for contractors and decorators.

### ABOUT LANDLOVERS

Landlovers was established in 1974 to promote fellowship through social and cultural activities while working toward the continued improvement of life at the Landings and broader community through philanthropic efforts. All the money raised on behalf of Landlovers is through its members – including the many volunteers who organize events to fund philanthropic endeavors. The generosity of the Landings community has enabled Landlovers to provide more than \$1.8 million in grants, scholarships, awards, and donations since its inception 50 years ago. The Landlovers Foundation income comes from membership dues, sponsors, donors, and volunteer-supported fundraisers. The foundation offers scholarship opportunities for The Landings Association and Landings Company employees and their dependents. In addition, Community Service Merit Awards, which are cash awards, are provided



**WHAT:** Landlovers Tour of Homes  
**WHEN:** Saturday, May 4, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
**WHERE:** The Landings and the Marshes of Skidaway Island  
**HOW MUCH:** Tickets are \$50 each  
**CONTACT:** Chris Lanigan (chrislanigan40@gmail.com), Sally Gleeson (sallytglee@gmail.com), Laurie Etherington (laurie.etherington@gmail.com)  
**WHAT ELSE:** Tickets are limited. To register and purchase tickets, please visit [landingslandlovers.com/happenings](http://landingslandlovers.com/happenings). The tour takes place every other year, so don't miss your opportunity to enjoy this wonderful event featuring 10 Skidaway Island homes filled with inspiration and ideas, showcasing how each owner's personal style creates an inviting space. Parking is limited, so attendees are encouraged to travel by golf cart. All proceeds from the Tour of Homes benefit the Landlovers Foundation.

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**WHAT:** Kiwanis Club of Skidaway  
**WHEN:** Thursday mornings at 8 a.m.  
**WHERE:** Palmetto Club  
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**WHAT:** New Neighbors  
**WHEN:** Visit [www.landingsnewneighbors.com](http://www.landingsnewneighbors.com) to see our calendar  
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## HANDS UP

**WHAT:** Bring back the Skidaway Wave  
**WHEN:** April 2024  
**WHERE:** The Landings  
**HOW MUCH:** No charge, just a bit of courtesy  
**CONTACT:** [webmaster@landings.com](mailto:webmaster@landings.com)  
**WHAT ELSE:** When we all moved to Skidaway Island, one of the first things we noticed about our new home was that everyone waved to us – on the cart path, at the harbor, in the Village, at the playground, at the dog park – everywhere. Remember how welcome and comfortable it made us feel and how glad we were that we moved here? It's time to start smiling and acknowledging each other again. Look up from our phones and see who's walking near us, standing in line next to us at the pharmacy, or driving down the cart path toward us. Want to brighten your and others' days? Bring back the Skidaway Wave!

## BONING UP ON BONAPART

**WHAT:** The Learning Center Lecture Series – "Napoleon: The Path to Power, 1769-1799"  
**WHEN:** Mondays, through May 13; 1 to 2 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Skidaway Island Community Church, 50 Diamond Causeway  
**HOW MUCH:** \$10 member, \$15 non-member, per lecture  
**CONTACT:** To register, visit [www.seniorcitizensinc.org](http://www.seniorcitizensinc.org)

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**WHAT ELSE:** From the path to power to his final days in exile, this six-part lecture series explores the life and times of Napoleon Bonaparte.

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**WHAT:** The Learning Center Lecture Series: "Anthems and Other National Music"  
**WHEN:** Mondays, through May 13, 2:15 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Skidaway Island Community Church, 50 Diamond Causeway  
**HOW MUCH:** \$10 member, \$15 non-member, per lecture  
**CONTACT:** [seniorcitizensinc.org/the-learning-center](http://seniorcitizensinc.org/the-learning-center) to register or contact [dhornsby@seniorcitizens-inc.org](mailto:dhornsby@seniorcitizens-inc.org)  
**WHAT ELSE:** This six-part lecture series examines music that shaped nations, from our own national anthem to "La Marsellaise," "O Canada," and more.

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**WHAT:** St. Peter's Musicales concert  
**WHEN:** Friday, April 19, 5:45 p.m. wine and cheese; 6:30 p.m. concert  
**WHERE:** St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 3 West Ridge Rd.  
**HOW MUCH:** Free and open to the public; A goodwill offering is appreciated  
**CONTACT:** St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 912.598.7242  
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## TEA TIME

**WHAT:** Sisters spring tea  
**WHEN:** Saturday, April 20, 11 a.m.  
**WHERE:** Palmetto Club Azalea Room  
**HOW MUCH:** \$42  
**CONTACT:** Email [panhellenicsavannah@gmail.com](mailto:panhellenicsavannah@gmail.com) for a registration form  
**WHAT ELSE:** In addition to the lovely tea and light menu, we will be featuring a panel of recently graduated sorority women discussing sorority life on campuses today. All area sorority women



## VISION QUEST

**WHAT:** Ninth Annual Fore Vision charity golf tournament  
**WHEN:** Monday, April 29, at 10 a.m.  
**WHERE:** Palmetto and Terrapin golf courses at the Landings  
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**WHAT ELSE:** Box lunches provided during play. Complimentary drinks on course. Benefits the Savannah Center for Blind and Low Vision.

## GARDEN STATE GOLFERS

**WHAT:** New Jersey Garden Staters spring golf scramble and dinner  
**WHEN:** Sunday, May 5; Registration - 12:30 p.m., shotgun start - 1:30, member bar 5, dinner 5:30  
**WHERE:** Terrapin Point/Palmetto Club-house  
**HOW MUCH:** \$65 charged to member account  
**CONTACT:** [Landingsgardensaters@gmail.com](mailto:Landingsgardensaters@gmail.com) to register; Questions by email or call Eileen Yost, 973.255.0580, or Jill Rubin, 215.850.3894.  
**WHAT ELSE:** Please sign up in pairs as we cannot match singles. Include GHIN and member numbers. Deadline to register April 29. Dinner only NJGS members welcome (must be club member), same price. If you have not yet paid 2024 dues (\$12 each/\$24 couple), please remit check to Jill Rubin, 17 Sweetgum Crossing, or Venmo to @Barbara-Rubin-31 (3894).

## FORE LADIES ONLY

**WHAT:** Landlovers Ladies 9-Hole golf group (LLL9)  
**WHEN:** Tuesdays  
**WHAT ELSE:** Sign up for February: "There's Snow Place Like LLL9" [tinyurl.com/February-2024-LLL9-Sign-Up](http://tinyurl.com/February-2024-LLL9-Sign-Up).



are welcome.

### GO PAPERLESS

**WHAT:** Secure document shredding  
**WHEN:** Saturday, April 20, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Skidaway Community Church, 50 Diamond Causeway  
**CONTACT:** skidcc.org or 912.598.0151  
**WHAT ELSE:** Donations benefit Safe Shelter, providing services for abused women and children.

### COAST WITH THE MOST

**WHAT:** The Learning Center Lecture: "Our Georgia Coast"  
**WHEN:** Monday April 22, 5:30 p.m.; Reception begins at 5 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Skidaway Island Community Church, 50 Diamond Causeway  
**HOW MUCH:** \$15/\$20 (member/non-member)  
**CONTACT:** seniorcitizensinc.org/the-learning-center to register or email dhornsby@seniorcitizens-inc.org  
**WHAT ELSE:** Megan Desrosiers, CEO and founder of One Hundred Miles, shares inspiring stories and information about the Georgia coast.

### TECH TALK

**WHAT:** Technology and Parenting conference  
**WHEN:** April 26, 6 - 8 p.m.; April 27, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Skidaway Island Baptist Church  
**HOW MUCH:** Free, but register so that food can be ordered  
**CONTACT:** admin@skidawaychurch.org  
**WHAT ELSE:** How do you successfully parent (and grandparent) the next generation in a world that is dependent on technology and has a culture that speaks more loudly and faster to your kids than you can? The conference will help you decipher what is happening in culture and technology and understand how it affects your kids. It will help you change the conversation that the culture is having with your children. Register at SkidawayChurch.org/events.

### HELLO, SAILOR

**WHAT:** Basic sailing class, sponsored by The Landings Sailing Club  
**WHEN:** Saturday, April 27, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., plus 4 hours on the water  
**WHERE:** TLA Meeting Room, 600 Landings Way South  
**HOW MUCH:** \$100, of which \$25 of which will be refunded if you join TLSC within 30 days  
**CONTACT:** Angela Margolit, amargolit@hotmail.com, 973.296.8011  
**WHAT ELSE:** Open to all Landings residents 21

or older who are either new to sailing or want a refresher course.

### A MIGHTY WIND

**WHAT:** Savannah Wind Symphony pops concert  
**WHEN:** Sunday, April 28, 3 p.m.  
**WHERE:** The Fine Arts Auditorium on the Armstrong Campus of Georgia Southern University  
**HOW MUCH:** \$20 (general admission), \$15 (military), and \$10 (under 18)  
**CONTACT:** For more information, visit savannahwindsymphony.com  
**WHAT ELSE:** The concert will be conducted by David Elliott, one of three candidates for permanent artistic director and principal conductor of the ensemble. Program selections include music by Leroy Anderson, John Williams, Mussorgsky, and Sousa - plus a few surprises with some wonderful soloists. Tickets available at eventbrite.com, at savannahwindsymphony.com, or at the door by check or credit card.

### FREE SPEECH

**WHAT:** The Learning Center Lecture: "How I Got Over - Remembering Gullah Stories and Traditions"  
**WHEN:** Monday, April 29, 5:30 p.m.; Reception begins at 5 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Skidaway Island Community Church, 50 Diamond Causeway  
**HOW MUCH:** \$15/\$20 per lecture (member/non-member)  
**CONTACT:** seniorcitizensinc.org/the-learning-center to register or email dhornsby@seniorcitizens-inc.org  
**WHAT ELSE:** Griot and master storyteller, Lillian Grant-Baptiste, uses the art of the oral narrative to demonstrate how storytelling was used during slavery and beyond as a tool of resilience, resistance, and reconciliation.

### HOME, SWEET HOME

**WHAT:** Homeless Authority tour  
**WHEN:** Tuesday, April 30, 9 a.m. - 12 noon  
**WHERE:** Meet at Skidaway Methodist Church to carpool to the DFCS Building, 761 Wheaton St.  
**CONTACT:** To learn more about the Skidaway Abigails, please visit skidawayabigails.org  
**WHAT ELSE:** Jen DuLong, executive director of the Chatham-Savannah Authority for the Homeless, will guide us through The Cove at Dundee and the Dundee Cottages.

### MAY MANNERS

**WHAT:** May I...Please?  
**WHEN:** May 2024  
**WHERE:** The Landings

**HOW MUCH:** No charge, just a bit of courtesy  
**CONTACT:** webmaster@landings.com  
**WHAT ELSE:** It's the merry month of May, so let's focus on a very pleasant question: "May I ...?" As we enjoy warmer weather with longer days, we can all feel happier and friendlier. Wouldn't it be great for our community if we shared that feeling and offered our neighbors a bit of personal kindness and consideration? We all love the month of May, and we love to hear a pleasant "please." May everyone feel the warmth and share it. "May I please?" "Yes, thank you!" Wow, that feels good!!!

### KIDDIE TABLES

**WHAT:** The One Hundred Children's Foundation membership brunch  
**WHEN:** Wednesday, May 1  
**WHERE:** The Palmetto Club Ballroom  
**HOW MUCH:** \$45 per person  
**CONTACT:** Email theonehundredchildrensfoundation@gmail.com  
**WHAT ELSE:** Tickets at theonehundredchildrensfoundation.org.

### WEDNESDAY WANDERINGS

**WHAT:** Combination Green-Meldrim House and St. John's Church tour with refreshment on the porch  
**WHEN:** Wednesdays in May (May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29), at 1 p.m. and 2:30 (2 p.m. and 4 on May 8)  
**WHERE:** Green-Meldrim House, 14 W. Macon St. on Madison Sq.  
**HOW MUCH:** \$25 per person  
**CONTACT:** Jamie Credle, jcredle@greenmeldrimhouse.org, 912.233.3845  
**WHAT ELSE:** Docents will examine the mid-19th Century Gothic Revival buildings. Attendees must be able to walk up and down stairs. Tickets available at <https://greenmeldrimhouse.square.site/>. Reservations recommended due to limited availability.

### POWER PLANTS

**WHAT:** Spring plant sale, to benefit the Savannah Botanical Gardens  
**WHEN:** Saturday, May 4, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Savannah Botanical Gardens at the historic Reinhard Farmhouse, 1388 Eisenhower Drive  
**HOW MUCH:** Free admission and free parking  
**CONTACT:** Savannah Botanical Gardens, 912.355.3883 or sacgc1388@botanical.comcast-biz.net.  
**WHAT ELSE:** Decorative pots and lots of lovely plants and flowers to go in them - including day lilies and pass-along plants donated by local area garden club members. Master gardeners will be on hand to answer gardening questions.

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### DINNER IS SERVED

**WHAT:** Private chef dinner party raffle  
**WHEN:** Ongoing; Drawing - May 4  
**WHERE:** Winner enjoys prepared dinner at your own residence  
**HOW MUCH:** \$20 per ticket  
**CONTACT:** Julie Storm - jstormdallas@gmail.com 214.789.7918  
**WHAT ELSE:** A chance to win a three-course meal for 8 people served in your home by a private chef who provides the meal and cleans up the kitchen. The winner will select the chef from Fire, Food and Knives, the cuisine, and the date. To purchase tickets, visit [www.landingslandlovers.com](http://www.landingslandlovers.com), under Happenings/Fund Raisers.

### WELL DONNE

**WHAT:** The Learning Center Lecture: "John Donne - The Sacred and Profane"  
**WHEN:** Monday, May 6, 5:30 p.m.; Reception begins at 5 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Skidaway Island Community Church, 50 Diamond Causeway  
**HOW MUCH:** \$15/\$20 (member/non-member)  
**CONTACT:** seniorcitizensinc.org/the-learning-center to register or email dhornsby@seniorcitizens-inc.org  
**WHAT ELSE:** Richard Braithwaite leads a literary tour of John Donne - a metaphysical poet and Anglican clergyman known for his enrapturing religious poems who's equally renowned as one of England's best writers of love poetry.

### LEGENDS AND LEADERS

**WHAT:** Senior Citizens Inc.'s Legends, Leaders, and Life Well Lived Award luncheon  
**WHEN:** Thursday, May 9, at 11:30 a.m.  
**WHERE:** The Palmetto Club at The Landings  
**HOW MUCH:** \$75 - general admission; \$125 - Friends of SCI admission  
**CONTACT:** Anne Cordeiro at 912.236.0363 or SeniorCitizensInc.org/Legends  
**WHAT ELSE:** The Legends, Leaders, and Life Well Lived Award luncheon honors fellow Savannahians who have contributed significantly to the community, inspired others by the difference they have made, and exemplify a life well lived.

### DINNER AND A SHOW

**WHAT:** The Learning Center Lecture: "Blues and Barbecue" (dinner and film screening with Traci Capote)  
**WHEN:** Monday May 13, 5 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Skidaway Island Community Church, 50 Diamond Causeway  
**HOW MUCH:** \$30  
**CONTACT:** seniorcitizensinc.org/the-learning-center to register or email dhornsby@seniorcitizens-inc.org  
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**WHAT ELSE:** Filmmaker Traci Capote presents her Georgia-produced documentary, "Northside Tavern: The Mostly True Story of the Golden Age of Atlanta's Most Exquisite Blues Dive." Barbeque dinner and conversation with Capote make for a fitting finale for TLC's spring season.

### THE RIGHT STUFF

**WHAT:** Luncheon meeting of Ladies On The Right (LOTR).  
**WHEN:** Thursday, May 16 (social 12-12:45 p.m.; lunch/program 1-2:15 p.m.)  
**WHERE:** Landings Palmetto Club ballroom  
**HOW MUCH:** LOTR members and military - \$35; Nonmembers - \$40  
**CONTACT:** To register (May 10 deadline) or to join LOTR, visit [www.ladiesontheright.org](http://www.ladiesontheright.org)  
**WHAT ELSE:** Speaker will be Donna Rice Hughes, president of Enough is Enough, an internet safety organization. LOTR is a greater-Savannah Conservative leadership organization whose mission is to inform, educate and inspire members to take action roles on issues that impact our country, community and lives. LOTR hosts luncheon meetings on the third Thursday of each month. Members bring a paying guest and be entered into a raffle.

### POSTAL PEOPLE

**WHAT:** Landings Stamp Club  
**WHEN:** Friday, May 17, 10 a.m.  
**WHERE:** Messiah Lutheran Church conference room  
**COST:** Free  
**CONTACT:** Carl Luecke, cluecke@comcast.net or 912.349.0340 for meeting details.  
**WHAT ELSE:** Beginner, advanced, or anyone in between is welcome to join our monthly meeting. Learn about buying, selling, or preserving your collections, and discover different types of stamps from all over the world.

### BEE THERE

**WHAT:** Free performance by SCAD's Bee Sharps  
**WHEN:** May 19, at 5 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Skidaway Island Baptist Church  
**HOW MUCH:** Free and open to the public  
**WHAT ELSE:** These elite student performers from around the U.S. do it all - sing, dance, and dazzle!

### HAPPY CAMPERS

**WHAT:** Camp Skidaway 2024  
**WHEN:** June 3 - 7, 9 a.m. - 12 noon  
**WHERE:** Skidaway Island Baptist Church  
**HOW MUCH:** Free, please register at Skidaway-Church.org/events  
**CONTACT:** admin@skidawaychurch.org  
**WHAT ELSE:** Prepare for a boatload of excitement

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### GATHERING GROCERIES

**WHAT:** Packing groceries for Second Harvest  
**WHEN:** 9 - 11 a.m., June 7  
**WHERE:** Second Harvest, 2501 E President St.  
**CONTACT:** Terry Lewis, terrylewis324@gmail.com.

### HELP AROUND THE HOUSE

**WHAT:** Habitat for Humanity volunteers wanted  
**WHEN:** 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., Tuesdays and Wednesdays, possibly Thursdays  
**WHERE:** locations vary  
**CONTACT:** Mark Piven, 912.598.0323  
**WHAT ELSE:** Prior experience is not necessary. Many volunteers learn on the job and only do whatever they feel comfortable with. Tools are provided.

### FINANCIAL AID

**WHAT:** AARP Tax-Aide Program needs volunteers  
**WHEN:** Training in Dec. and Jan.; Tax preparation starts Feb. 1 for 10 weeks; hours and days are flexible  
**WHERE:** Chatham SW and Bull Street Libraries  
**CONTACT:** Volunteer coordinator John Gerardi, 912.661.8705 or johngerardi@hotmail.com  
**WHAT ELSE:** This program provides free tax preparation for low- to moderate-income families, as well as the elderly and people with disabilities. AARP Tax-Aide saves underserved individuals/families millions in preparation fees and helps taxpayers claim millions in refunds, which can be used to reduce poverty. Tax preparers will be trained to become IRS-certified. Volunteers are also needed to help with intake/front desk.

### TAXATION REPRESENTATION

**WHAT:** Opportunities for volunteer income tax assistance with Neighborhood Improvement Association  
**WHEN:** starting in January, flexible hours from 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Several sites in Savannah, Pembroke, Rincon, Richmond Hill and Hinesville  
**CONTACT:** Tiffany Carter, tcarter@niadc.org or 912.447.5577  
**WHAT ELSE:** This program helps underserved communities by offering free tax preparation. No experience necessary. Volunteers include greeters/screeners and tax preparers



ACROSS

- 1. Speech defect
- 5. Frugal fellow
- 10. "Slowly I turned, \_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_"
- 14. Smoothie berry
- 15. Unable to relax
- 16. *Saturday Night* \_\_\_\_
- 17. Reimburse
- 19. Birth of a notion
- 20. Prepare to pray, sometimes
- 21. To \_\_\_\_ is human
- 22. TV spy Maxwell \_\_\_\_
- 23. Campaign tactic
- 25. Bay window
- 27. Steamed state
- 30. Whole number
- 32. Kind of station
- 35. Hot dog topper
- 37. Perform a magic trick
- 39. First murder victim
- 40. Think out loud
- 42. Calling company?
- 43. Very tired (with "out")
- 45. Vole or mole
- 47. NY time zone
- 48. Religious recluse
- 50. Sargasso, for one
- 51. Beginning stage
- 53. Coral \_\_\_\_
- 55. Atomizer output
- 57. Fertility clinic stock
- 59. Pirate's cry
- 63. Warty hopper
- 64. Two-masted vessel
- 66. Voting "no"
- 67. Welcome desert sight
- 68. Way, way off
- 69. Ballpark beverage
- 70. Jack of *Shallow Hal*
- 71. Off-color

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- 2. Screen symbol
- 3. Identical
- 4. Water conduits
- 5. Stallone flick, *Demolition* \_\_\_\_
- 6. Newspaper supplement
- 7. Marquee name
- 8. Female steroid
- 9. Deli bread
- 10. Snail trail
- 11. Powerful ocean surges
- 12. \_\_\_\_ and anon
- 13. Gardening moss
- 18. New York's \_\_\_\_ Island
- 22. Voice of the iPhone
- 24. Knock from the saddle
- 26. Daydream
- 27. Breathing fire
- 28. Picture puzzle
- 29. Those with the vote
- 31. Skip over, when speaking
- 33. Answer (for)
- 34. Gossipy gal
- 36. Class
- 38. Youngest Lincoln
- 41. Push-up target
- 44. \_\_\_\_ as pie
- 46. Atlantic, for one
- 49. Very unfortunate
- 52. Point of greatest despair
- 54. \_\_\_\_ Attraction, (1987 film)
- 55. Wild guess
- 56. Southern corn bread
- 58. Big name in plastic
- 60. Widespread
- 61. Bite like a beaver
- 62. Grazing group
- 64. Go up and down
- 65. "Don't \_\_\_\_!"

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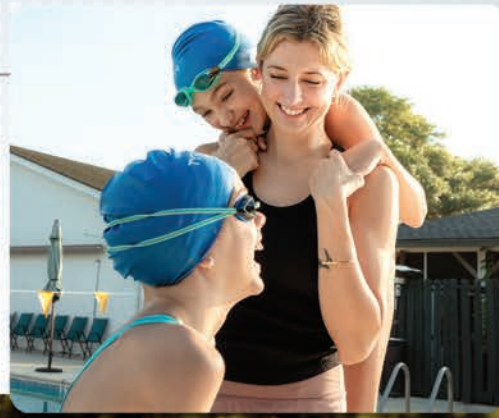


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