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Upfront

“Come and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,” Micah says in the Old Testament.

Exodus reports God’s instructions to Moses, before delivering the tablets containing the Ten Commandments: “Climb higher up the mountain and wait there for me.”

Throughout the Andes, in Incan culture, mountains are sacred symbols – the origins of mystical spirits and forces (“apus,” in Quechuan, the indigenous tongue).

George Mallory was an English clergyman – coincidental vocation? – and a member of the first three British Mount Everest expedition teams. When asked by a *New York Times* reporter, “Why do men climb mountains?” Mallory quickly (and famously) quipped, “Because they are there.”

Ansel Adams, of black-and-white alpine photography fame, said, “...a large granite mountain cannot be denied. It speaks in silence to the core of your being.”

A mountain is a metaphor. Rugged, unforgiving, aspirational, humbling. In conquering a mountain, man may be surrendering to Nietzsche’s suggestion that we have an innate need to “overcome the self.” He theorizes that the self is composed of two parts: the weak and the strong. Reaching a mountaintop is a celebration of the strong’s triumph over its insidious twin.

Freud studied the impulse to champion the strong over the weak. In climbing, he found explanation, consistent with many of his leanings: At the root, it’s pleasure. An irreplicable thrill. An emotional charge. An otherworldly satisfaction. A high, which seems aptly named.

Fifteen thousand feet up is a lot. Especially if you normally live at

sea level. I’ve been to 19,000 once, in Chile, when my wife was alive. The final 500 vertical felt like marching in place in quicksand in the central square of hell. In 2016, I crossed the Salkantay Pass in Peru, rewarded at its 15,062-foot summit by a torrent of sleet. A few weeks ago, I returned to the Peruvian Andes with my younger daughter (her sister suffered an ill-timed broken ankle a few weeks before departure). A massive landslide had redrawn a Salkantay landscape that referenced but didn’t reconcile with my memories. In February of 2020, a rock face the size of a modern skyscraper had suddenly sheared itself from its host peak, and raged more than a mile down a crease of thin-aired valley, flattening trees, animals, and people in its way.

In its most rudimentary construct, we think of heaven as “up there.” Ten days of high-altitude trekking and a final slog up the thousands of steep “stairs” that scale Machu Picchu Mountain leading to a small clearing that overlooks the famous city’s ruins of the same name far below, and I’m a believer: Heaven is up there, and climbing takes me closer to it.

The photos on this page document a brutal ascent from Soraypampa to an Andean Cross at roughly 16,000, and a down-and-back-up to Lake Humantay. The climb to the cross is two hours of relentless, breath-stealing gravity-defiance, but the payoff is indescribable – perhaps the pictures provide a hint.

Barry Finlay, author of *Kilimanjaro Beyond*, writes: “Every mountain top is within reach, if you just keep climbing.”

Someone, without attribution, said, “The best view comes after the hardest climb.”

Barry and his anonymous spiritual compatriot are both right as rain...or blindingly radiant sunlight, as the miles-high case may be.

Scott A. Lawrence

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GETTING SHREDDED

Many thanks to the Landings community for its support of the shredding event recently held at the Skidaway Community Church to benefit Safe Shelter. Thanks for waiting patiently in line to have their vehicles unloaded of 32,000 pounds of paper. More than \$18,500 was raised. The event was a wonderful expression of the Landings community coming together to support a worthy cause. Thank you, thank you, and thank you.

Carolyn Ernest

NEIGHBORS IN NEED

On the early morning of Monday, October 25, an explosion occurred at the home of the Townsend family, located in PinPoint. The explosion led to the family home catching fire, destroying everything, including the family's vehicles.

Marcella "Marcie" Townsend (44), her son, Christian Townsend (14), and her nephew, Nazari Townsend (4-months-old), as of this writing, are in critical yet stable condition at the Joseph M. Still Burn Center in Augusta. Mary Townsend, Marcie's mother, was physically unharmed in the explosion.

Marcie is a successful, renowned certified surgical assistant to nu-

merous surgeons and physicians in Atlanta and surrounding areas. She is known throughout various hospitals for her contagious smile, vibrant energy, and go-getter mentality. Marcie is a dedicated daughter, mother, sister and friend, and she is truly loved and admired by many.

Because of her inspirational work as a social worker and educator, Marcie's mother, Mary, is a family advocate in Savannah and has assisted countless families in local communities for more than 30 years. Christian is an eighth-grade scholar at Bethesda Academy and enjoys playing sports and bonding with family and friends. Nazari is a happy, healthy boy, full of joy and laughter.

Please help us be a blessing to the Townsend family, who has tremendously blessed many people in the community over the years. We are kindly asking you to donate to help cover the costs of medical bills, housing, food and clothing. We are also accepting other forms of donations. For more information please visit <https://www.gofundme.com/f/the-townsend-family-fundraiser>.

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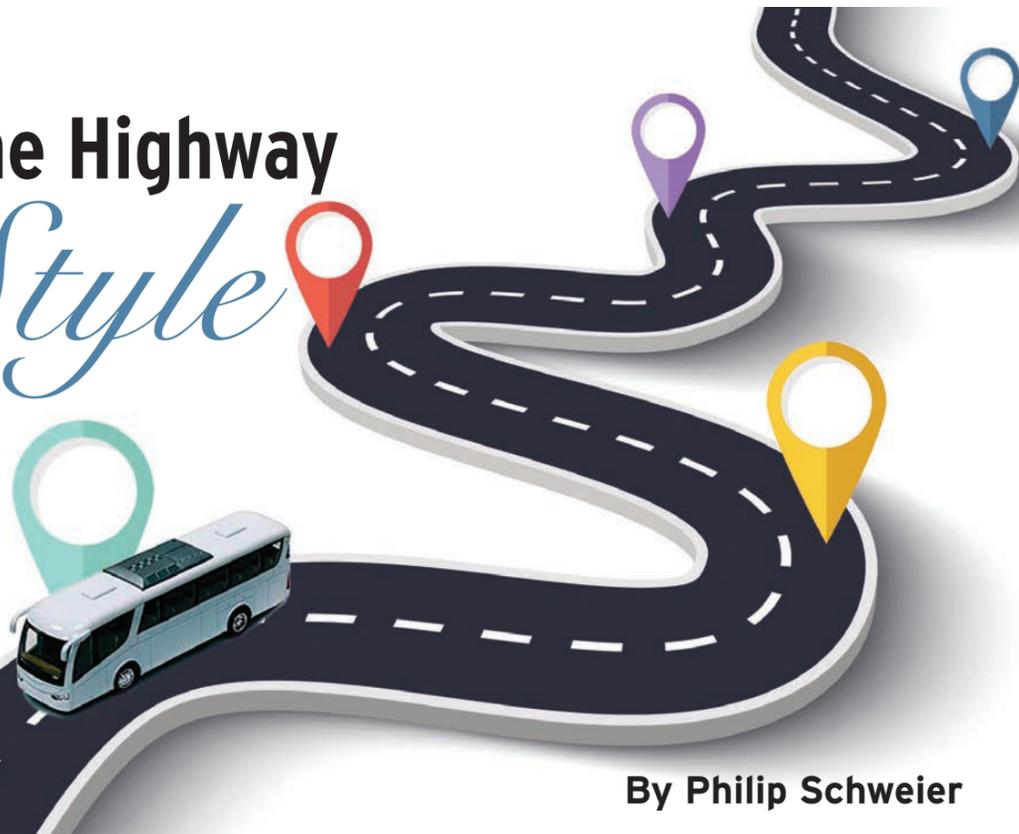


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Hitting the Highway *in Style*



**THE ROAD AHEAD,
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With Skidaway Island State Park and the Landings right next to one another, it seems inevitable we examine the mash-up of luxury homes with camping. There are many motor-coach companies with RVs that cost much more than the average price of a home, and with amenities far beyond what most people would ever expect.

Excellence is the mandate of Newmar Corporation, which manufactures a wide line of gas- or diesel-powered motor coaches. In the company's own words, it applies "leading-edge entertainment and safety technology, impeccable craftsmanship, and industry-leading innovation" to each model. Its top-of-the-line offering is the 45-foot King Aire. The King offers a luxurious living room with furniture covered in the finest Italian full-grain leather, with sleeper sofas. Powered theater seating with standard heat and massage are also an option. There are premium entertainment systems throughout the vehicle, as well as Internet and satellite connectivity. The kitchen has hardwood European-style cabinetry, and appliances include top-tier residential equipment, like a stainless-steel refrigerator, convection microwave, induction cooktop, and dishwasher. The King also boasts many me-

By Philip Schweier

chanical features to provide "the ultimate RV driving experience" in safety and navigation. But as with any luxury purchase, it doesn't come cheap. The base price starts at \$1.4 million.

Newmar is based out of Nappanee, Indiana, an area home to many motor coach and RV manufacturers. According to the Recreational Vehicle Industry Association, RV manufacturing is a \$50 billion business, employing nearly 300,000 Americans. Most of the RVs in America – 80 percent – are made in northern Indiana. Ironically, the area is also home to a significant number of Amish communities. Some of the more progressive Amish residents supply custom woodworking offered by RV manufacturer, either as sub-contractors or full-time employees. This is the result of a generational increase in Amish residents, combined with shrinking availability of farmland. The production plants are happy to have them. The Amish are typically physically fit thanks to their relatively spartan lifestyle, and they offer strong work ethic and quality craftsmanship. Employers provide separate parking for buggies and horses, and take into account the Amish religious and cultural needs for time off.

Perhaps, the Newmar King Aire's primary competitor for luxury is the Foretravel Presidential series, which some dealers regard as the finest motor coach of its kind available on the market today. It offers premier bunk accommodations and two full baths, including an ultra-high-end massaging tub in the master bath (optional) and tile floors and backsplashes and quartz counter tops throughout. The galley features a premium brand refrigerator, convection microwave, recessed cook top, and dishwasher drawer. There is LED accent lighting throughout the vehicle, including on the entry door.

Electronically, the coach is noted for its 4K QLED TVs and HD satellite and WiFi. A "bird's-eye view" camera system offers maximum visibility, along with three additional cameras and a power rear camera. As with the King, prices begin in the \$1.4 million range.



The interior of the Foretravel Presidential series motor coach

With luxury comes the dilemma of where to park the coach when it isn't on the road. A driveway at the Landings is out of the question, but there is the option of Skidaway Island State Park. While it may not offer RV storage, it does feature pleasant campsites for the occasional overnight stop. The campground has 87 single-family campsites that can accommodate tents, trailers and RVs, with water and electric hookups (most have 30- and/or 50-amp configurations). There are also sites with full hookups. Campground amenities include drinking water, flush toilets, hot showers, and a dump station. There are also three playgrounds, outdoor fitness equipment, a volleyball court and WiFi at the park office.

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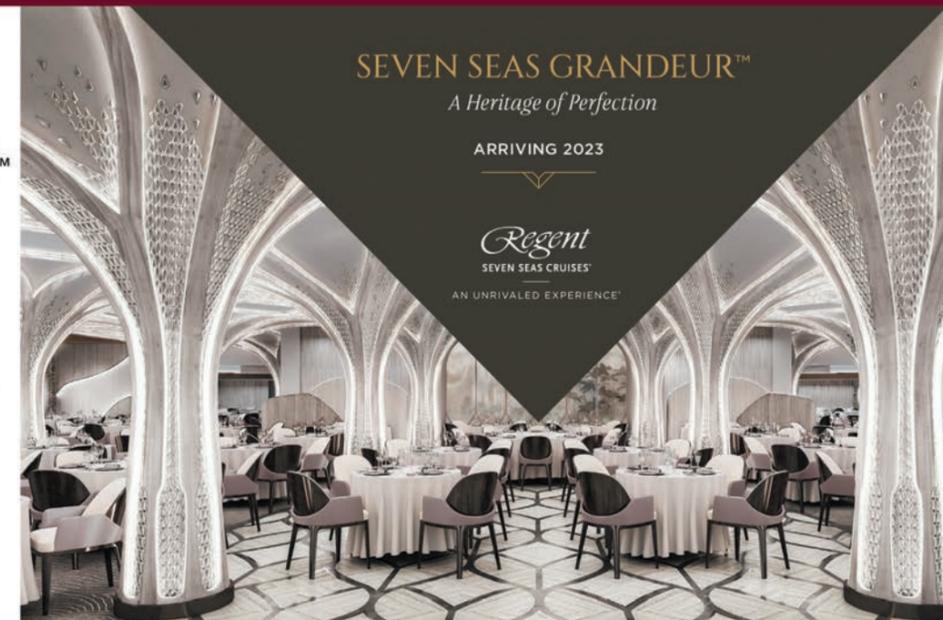
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With the post-war boom, Byam left Curtis Wright to revive his own company. Curtis Wright later sold the design rights for the Clipper to the Silver Streak Trailer Company. In 1957, one of the managing partners of Silver Streak, James "Pat" Patterson, left to form the Streamline Trailer Manufacturing Company. Airstream, Silver Streak and Streamline Trailer all produced similar polished trailers, and one is often mistaken for another. But Airstream is the brand name people associate with the product type, regardless of original manufacturer. Though polished aluminum coaches were manufactured well into the 1980s, it is the vintage models of the 1950s that are sought after by collectors and automotive enthusiasts. To no great surprise, many are in various states of disrepair and require restoration. While the price tag is not as high as purchasing a brand new King, restoring an Airstream still comes with a hefty cost – and not always measured in dollars. The purchase of a used Airstream shell in good condition can run upwards of \$10,000. Depending on its condition and your budget, the cost of restoring it can be anywhere \$25,000 to \$100,000. It could be less, depending on how much of the work you're capable of doing yourself. But sweat equity still needs to be considered.



A vintage 1952 Airstream trailer, beautifully preserved

Advice on restoration varies from one experienced craftsman to the next. One suggested a minimum budget of \$75 an hour for 1,000 hours or more, plus the cost of materials. Another advised, "Whatever your budget (and timeline) are, double-triple-quadruple it. It's not going to be what you expect."

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THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SPENDING

According to Psychology Today, one motivation is found in consumers with significant financial means, which translates to a deeper connection to high-end brands. Luxury is an integral part of their lifestyle. The luxury brands they treasure are not only well designed and crafted with the best materials and workmanship but they have the rare and intangible quality of "truth." These consumers experience emotions of trust, security, contentment and confidence. They experience visceral perceptions that their preferred luxury brands are authentic and timeless. For many people, these are the desirable characteristics that separate luxury from "common"

Studies suggest that the decision to purchase a luxury product is overwhelmingly emotional. Purchase behavior is a direct result of how a consumer believes that a brand delivers the emotional end-benefits of buying and owning. A consumer purchase of a luxury brand is driven by concepts of self-identity, ideal self, social comparison, and other "self" motivations. Whether or not a consumer is in a financial position that allows him to comfortably purchase a high-priced item, he might do so anyways in order to achieve a certain feeling – for example, for self-reward.

Our concept of self is in a constant state of regeneration. Because luxury products have the power to alter the consumer's perception of who they are by altering the self, they deliver desired emotional end-benefits, such as self-esteem. Luxury shoppers buy goods to make themselves or others feel better. Such purchases are hedonic, triggering the release of dopamine. Many feel a powerful satisfaction from spending big and obtaining exclusive, rare, high-quality products.

OH, HENRY

The 21st century has given rise to a new category of "luxury consumer," defined by youth culture: GenZ and Millennials. These are High Earners, Not Rich Yet (HENRYs).

According to market research, the statis-

tics are mixed:

- In the U.S, HENRYs are said to earn between \$100K-\$250K, annually.
- HENRYs comprise 35 percent of the (luxury) market, but that ratio is expected to increase to 50 percent by 2025.
- Luxury shoppers have an almost equal gender split – 53.4 percent female, 46.6 percent male.
- Most visitors to luxury websites are highly educated, with the income to match.

However, HENRYs don't "feel" rich, due to high debt, little savings, and long working hours.

The luxury goods industry recognizes five groups of luxury consumers, based on their habits and perception of luxury:

- Strivers – Typically aged 18–34, they equate luxury goods with success. They account for 24% of all luxury shoppers.
- Only-the-best consumers – These consumers usually have a higher net income, and focus on product quality and durability. They make up 23% of luxury consumers.
- Comfort-first consumers – For this group of luxury consumers, buying luxury brands gives their life meaning. They account for

- 19% of all consumers, and 44% of them are older than 65.
- Aesthetes – Predominantly women over the age of 34, these consumers are drawn to design and aesthetics. They make up 17% of all luxury shoppers.
- Trendsetters – Multicultural and very likely to be influenced by social media, these customers see luxury items as something that sets them apart from others. They account for 16% of all luxury consumers.

TRUE LUXURY

Some people apply a social stigma to luxury, as if it's reserved for the wealthy and privileged with too much money and not enough to do. Certainly, there are instances of conspicuous consumption and frivolous over-spending, but who among us wouldn't significantly upgrade our home, car, or wardrobe, if we suddenly won the lottery?

Some typically high-earning professions –



doctors, for example – are also accompanied by education-related debt and a great deal of work-related stress. Vacation getaways to the tropics or a mountain home take on therapeutic quality. Attorneys, corporate heads, and others often chase lucrative careers for the pay associated with them, and the opportunity to achieve one's life goals. Regardless of the size of one's bank account, however, there are ways to attain a level of luxury in mind, body and spirit. Because true luxury is not measured in dollars or things. True luxu-

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Luxury is the opportunity to enjoy whatever rewards we have received, and the privilege to share them with others, whether that



means an expensive gift for our love, or comfort for our family, or the ability to make a meaningful contribution to our community.

It takes no money to see the luxury in less exotic pursuits. It can be very rewarding to enjoy a well-earned vacation with friends and family, with the satisfaction that you diligently saved – even if it is a simple four-hour drive to the mountains in your modest but reliable car, hiking among the foothills among the blessings of Nature, roasting marshmallows around the campfire on a chilly autumn evening.

Those with children (or grandchildren) treasure the nights spent playing cards or board games into the wee hours or laughing with family and friends in a comfortable home, acquired through hard work and perseverance.

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Strong New Connections

Seniors Use Telemedicine and Social Media for Health and Fun

Once upon a time, words like HelloFresh, FaceTime, Lyft, and Zoom may have seemed like nonsense to a population above a certain age. But that time is in the past. For the COVID-19 pandemic, senior citizens who once felt no desire to use the latest technology were all but forced to embrace it – not just for goods and services but also to interact with friends and family. And after slogging through the learning process for all this new tech, many seniors arrived at a surprising realization – they love it!

“Technology is not just a timesaver, it helps you cross miles,” says Mary Ann Traver, a retiree who lives in Richmond Hill.

Traver often comes to Savannah for her role as president of St. Joseph's/Candler's SmartSenior program. She also visits her primary care physician, Dr. Lorraine McRae, at St. Joseph's/Candler Primary Care on Eisenhower Drive. But like everyone else, she couldn't do either of those things in person at the height of the pandemic. She also couldn't play canasta with her friends or attend church services. When those activities were offered virtually, Traver set up a desktop computer and a tablet and determined to avoid becoming isolated or inactive.

“I had to depend on my daughter in Bainbridge (Georgia) to help me with the learning curve,” Traver says.

Traver's physician, Dr. McRae, noticed that many of her older patients were able to handle virtual doctor visits, health tracking, and patient-doctor management, if they had a tech-savvy person among their family or friends to assist. “Bringing in the video

component can get a little tricky for some patients,” McRae says. “But when it works, it does make a difference. If I hadn't seen them in a while or if they needed to show me an injury or the amount of swelling they have in their legs, for example, the virtual visit is helpful.”

Some of McRae's patients did not want to risk seeing people in person, even with masking and social distancing, until they were fully vaccinated. “They didn't want to come into our office, but at least I got to see them through video,” she says. “And they were in the comfort of their own home. It's a win-win.”

McRae noticed that some of her patients had learned Zoom teleconferencing technology after being encouraged to by their faith communities. “Faith services were so much a part of their lives and would have been a huge loss,” McRae explains. “When those services transitioned to Zoom, loved ones thankfully bought their family members tablets and taught them the social media technology so that they could participate.”

Not everyone has technology access. McRae assures those patients that they will still receive the same high-quality care even if the approach is different. “We can always fall back onto using the phone if necessary,” she says. “I've known so many of my patients for so many years. Through those established relationships, I'm trained to listen not to just what my patients are saying but also what their voice is telling me about how they truly feel.”

Traver attends church through YouTube,



Mary Ann Traver Dr. Lorraine McRae

hosts a monthly meeting between old friends through Zoom, uses FaceTime to attend ball games and birthday parties, and uses a special app to play canasta with her grandson. She has attended a few Lunch n' Learns, a SmartSenior program in which local physicians and healthcare experts present a talk to a large group over lunch. Through the virtual version of these programs, Traver has been able to interact with SmartSenior members that she had not seen or spoken to in weeks.

SmartSenior has been able to bring back its most popular activities like bingo and trivia games through services like Zoom. “Of course, we would prefer to do these activities in person,” Traver says, “and people need to remember that this technology was not meant to take the place of that. But wouldn't you rather play games online if you are stuck at home?”

With her doctor and many of her friends in Savannah and her daughter in Bainbridge, Traver enjoys the freedom of choice that virtual technology has provided. She found herself enjoying the comfort of her Richmond Hill home even after the lockdowns and other restrictions eased up in the summer. “Even with COVID-19, I'd love to continue the online bingo and trivia,” she notes. “I won't always want to drive an hour to do it in person.”

Though a few of her friends are still not convinced, Traver will continue to encour-

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We all have our moment. For some, it's around 2 or 3 p.m. in the office. For others, it's the fourth consecutive day of practice before the big game. Or maybe it's the need for more cramming the night before end-of-semester exams. Whatever the reason, there comes a point when we need a pick-me-up – a second wind.

Energy drink manufacturers claim to have the solution in the bag – or a can or tiny bottle available at any grocery or convenience store. But is that the smart choice?

“Typically, these drinks have a mix of things like B vitamins, amino acids and a lot of caffeine,” explains St. Joseph's/Candler dietitian Rachel Binkley. “Some brands include sugar as well. Some are not even considered beverages but are labeled as dietary supplements. Their marketing claims that their products provide increased alertness and improved performance, both mentally and physically.”

College students and other 20-somethings are among the main consumers of energy drinks or shots. Truck drivers and other workers with extra-long shifts also use them. While an energy drink is not considered harmful to the average person, Binkley says they are not exactly ideal, either. “The recommendation for caffeine is to stay under 400 milligrams a day,” she counsels. “Some of these drinks can have more than 200 milligrams in one can. So, if you've had coffee in the morning and then drink an energy drink, or if you have two of them in a row, you're already getting right up there.”

Too much caffeine can have adverse effects like irritability, nervousness and insomnia. After its effects have worn off, there can be withdrawal symptoms such as headaches.

“If you have high blood pressure or heart problems, these drinks can actually be dangerous,” Binkley says. “Too much caffeine can cause abnormal heart rhythms.”

A BETTER WAY

The need for an energy boost is very common, and there's nothing wrong with going to foods or beverages to get it. But there is a better way to think about what you're hoping to achieve. “Simple carbohydrates will give you energy really fast, but it is short-term,” Binkley says. “Combining a carb with a protein or healthy fat will satisfy your hunger longer, which helps with things like attention span.”

age others to move past their anxiety or mistrust of technology and reach out for help. “If you've got WiFi and a device, you can do this,” she says. “Find somebody that does it already and let them help you. Many of these things involve only a few steps. It's not hard

once you understand.”

Are you over 55 and looking for fun activities, camaraderie, and access to health screenings and more? SmartSenior has it. As Traver demonstrates, much of it can be enjoyed online.



Dietitian Rachel Binkley



Afternoon snacks that Binkley recommends include peanut butter combined with an apple or other piece of fruit. If you prefer to snack on crackers, add cheese as a protein source. If you're only eating a carbohydrate, choose a complex one such as whole grain toast. Whole grain foods have not been stripped of their fiber and other nutrients and usually don't have the added sugars of processed baked goods. Protein bars can be a way to make sure you are getting that carb and protein balance if you need a portable, packaged snack.

“A cup of tea or even a cup of coffee can help too, as long as you are aware of your caffeine sensitivity,” Binkley says.

A little bit of exercise can help give you a boost, especially if your tiredness is the result of sitting at a desk for most of the day. Simply going for a walk can improve your breathing rate and blood pressure, making you feel less sluggish.

IT WILL CATCH UP TO YOU

There is an irony hidden behind energy shots and drinks as well, in that even if they work for you, over time they will lead to the exact opposite results from your objective. “You may be able to fend off sleep without being harmed by the caffeine content,” Binkley says. “But lack of sleep will catch up with you. It can affect your memory, your attention span, and you may even feel inebriated. In short, it will negatively affect your mental and physical performance.”

Too little sleep also makes the body crave the quick, pleasurable energy surge that comes from unhealthy items like candy and soda. So, a person's eating habits degrade, creating a cycle of low energy and bad short-time fixes.

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Football Pick 'Em Pool

Another week of football in the books, and another tiebreaker in our Skinnie Pick 'Em Pool. This time, a trio of grizzled vets tussled in overtime to produce a single winner. Tom "Arch" Bishop, "Steamroller" Steve Shirah, and Crystal "Ball" Higgins each predicted 17 of 25 game results correctly. The tiebreaker game was Coastal Carolina/Georgia Southern. Evidently, Tom had his doubts about the defenses in this one, and 70 total points. Crystal anticipated a shootout, too, and chose a point total of 61. Steve must have realized that GSU's anemic offense was unlikely to right itself. He anticipated 46 total points for the Sun Belt Conference foes. The final score was 28-8, in favor of the visiting Chanticleers, for a measly total of 36. "Steamroller" Steve flattens the competition in extra innings.

Thank you to all our faithful followers. Keep playing! And if you've been sitting on the sidelines, it's time to get on the field. The rules are simple. Predict the winning team for each game. And get more winners right than the rest of your friends. For the tiebreaker game, predict the total points that the two teams will score (combined). Twenty college games and five NFL matchups. This slate will be played between Friday, November 19, and Sunday, November 21. Entries are due by 5 p.m., Friday, November 19. Email your picks to chendrix@theskinnie.com, or send your entry the old-fashioned way to:

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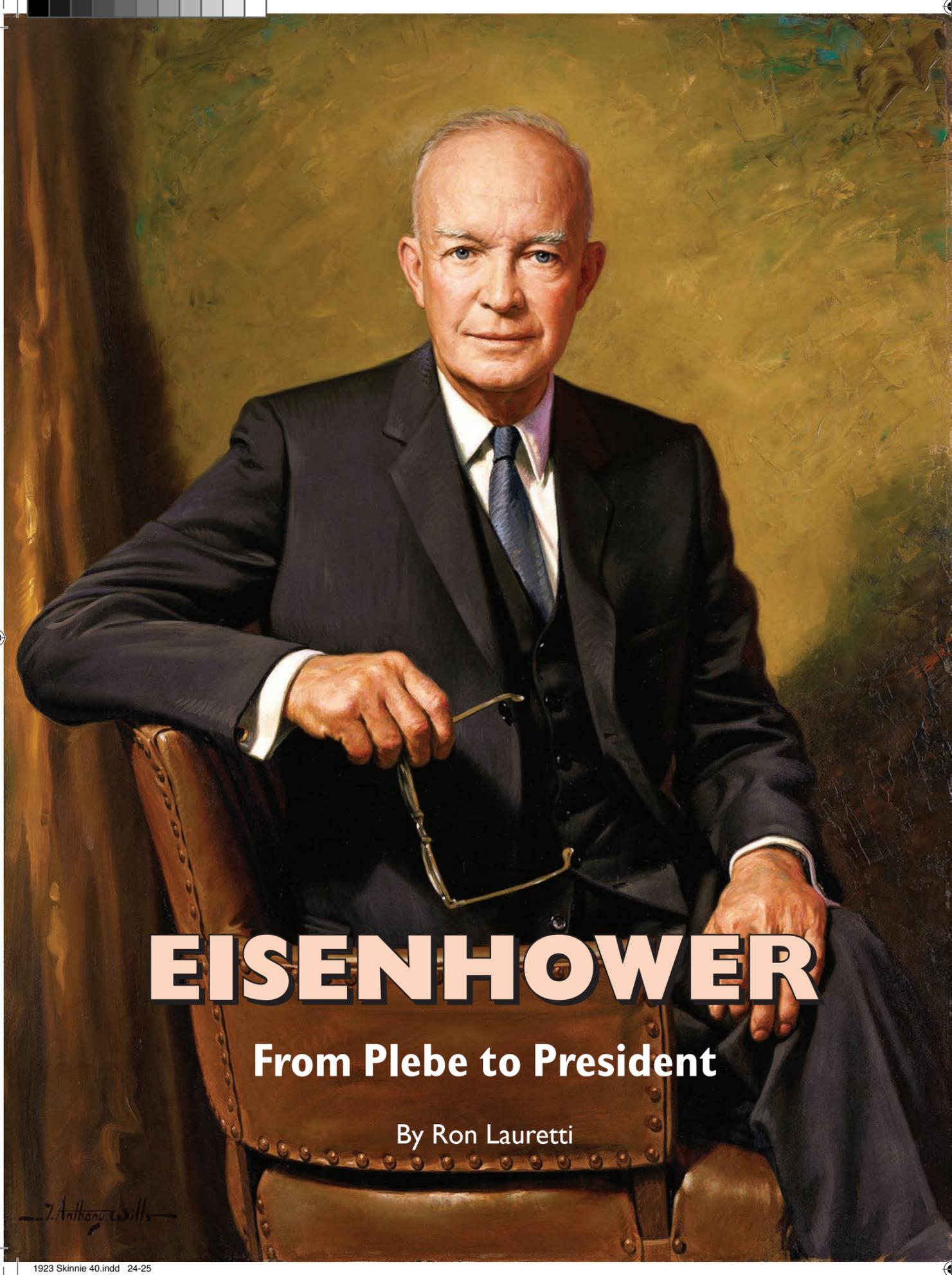
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New England at Atlanta
Green Bay at Minnesota
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Dallas at Kansas City
Pittsburgh at Los Angeles Chargers

As a tiebreaker this week, pick the total points in the SMU/Cincinnati game.



EISENHOWER

From Plebe to President

By Ron Lauretti

For Veteran's Day 2020, The Skinnie named George Washington our Number One all-time military veteran. This year, we recognize Dwight David "Ike" Eisenhower, supreme commander of the Allied Forces in Europe during World War II. From a fresh-faced first-year at West Point, he rose to the rare rank of five-star general, and later became 34th president of the U.S.

Born in 1890, Eisenhower grew up in Abilene, Kansas, where he developed a keen interest in exploring the outdoors. Decades earlier, Abilene was one of the most murderous cow towns in the Wild West, and it was in this lingering atmosphere that young Ike developed into a rugged young athlete. In high school, Ike had two major interests. His passion for world history matched his fondness for the gridiron. The teen historian was the best football player on the Abilene High School team, a juggernaut that other Kansas programs avoided for fear for humiliation.

Eisenhower was admitted to West Point in 1911, where he participated in four varsity sports programs – boxing, fencing, gymnastics and, of course, football. He made the varsity football team in 1912 as a hardnosed halfback and tough linebacker. During the season, he played against the legendary Jim Thorpe, of Carlisle Indian School fame. In Lars Anderson's book, Carlisle vs. Army, the author documents how the two gridiron warriors repeatedly smashed into each other, neither showing any quarter, in a game at the military academy.

Eventually, Eisenhower tore knee ligaments playing football, ending his pigskin-playing days. He later re-injured his knee several times, on horseback and in the boxing ring, so he eventually turned to fenc-



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ing and gymnastics.

Eisenhower graduated with the Class of 1915, initially serving in logistics and the infantry at various postings in Texas and Georgia. While stationed in Texas, he met Mamie Doud of Boone, Iowa. They were immediately smitten with one another and were married July 1, 1916. In late 1917, while stationed at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, Mamie gave birth to their first son.

When America entered World War I, Eisenhower, a lieutenant, requested to serve in Europe, but was denied. Instead, he commanded a unit that trained tank crews, stateside.

In 1919, Eisenhower was assigned to a transcontinental Army convoy to test vehicles and illustrate the need for improved roads across the nation. The convoy averaged a paltry five miles per hour cross-country. Highway improvement would later become a signature issue for Eisenhower as president, and he is widely credited as the father of the modern interstate system.

Throughout the 1920s, Eisenhower served under renowned Army commanders – John J. Pershing, Douglas MacArthur and George Marshall. By the early 1930s, his career stalled somewhat. His primary duty was planning for the next war, which proved difficult in the midst of the Great Depression. He was posted as chief military aide to Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Army Chief of Staff. In 1935, he accompanied MacArthur to the Philippines, where they assisted the Philippine government in developing its army. Eisenhower had strong philosophical disagreements with MacArthur regarding the role of

the Philippine Army and the leadership qualities an American officer should exhibit and cultivate in his subordinates. The resulting friction between Eisenhower and MacArthur would last the rest of their lives.

While serving in the Philippines, Eisenhower achieved the rank of lieutenant colonel, and learned to fly. When he returned home in 1939, he earned his private pilot's license.

His progression to flag officer was brisk, and Eisenhower earned the single star of a brigadier general in 1941. Competition for promotion was keen at the time, as West Point's Class of 1915 was characterized as the best in the institution's history, ultimately producing 59 generals. Shortly after his promotion, Eisenhower was nominated by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to oversee two of the most strategic campaigns of World War II: the invasion of North Africa and Sicily, and the invasion of France and Germany. Some of the ascendant general's rivals, led by Great Britain's Gen. Bernard Montgomery, sought to denigrate Eisenhower for his lack of combat duty. But Eisenhower validated Roosevelt's decision by demonstrating superior organizational skills and strategic prescience.

Eisenhower was responsible for coordinating with America allies and their military complexes. In addition to military strategy, diplomacy was vital to his success. He handled the challenging personalities of Winston Churchill, George Patton, Marshall, Montgomery and MacArthur.

In December of 1943, Roosevelt, influenced by Eisenhower's leadership during Allied success in North Africa, chose the general as Su-

preme Allied Commander in Europe. As such, he oversaw the Sicilian campaign (Operation Torch) and the Salerno beachhead invasion of southern Italy (Operation Avalanche). These victories led to Operation Overlord, a massive amphibious landing assault along the French coast of Normandy on June 6, 1944.

The D-Day landings were costly but successful. The Third Reich was crushed between American-led Allies on the Western Front and by the vengeful Russians on the Eastern Front. German naval and air forces were completely neutralized. In May of 1945, Adolph Hitler's fascist regime was forced into an unconditional surrender.

Following the Allied victory, Eisenhower was appointed military governor of the American occupation zone, located primarily in southern Germany, and headquartered in Frankfurt. He turned out to be a benevolent victor, as he reclassified German POWs in American custody as disarmed enemy forces no longer subject to the Geneva Convention. Additionally, he brought in 400,000 tons of food for civilians and arranged for the distribution of needed medical supplies. His actions reflected the new American view of German civilians as Nazi victims, not villains. Eisenhower aggressively led the effort to purge Nazis from Germany and ordered camera crews to document the atrocities of the concentration camps for use in the Nuremberg War Trials.

The commander returned triumphantly to Washington in November of 1945 to replace Marshall as Chief of Staff of the Army. Politically, Eisenhower supported the new United Nations and hoped for post-war cooperation with the Soviet Union. But, in just two years, as



Supreme Allied Commander Gen. Dwight Eisenhower (left) earned the respect of fellow officers Gen. Omar Bradley (center) and Gen. George S. Patton.

East-West tensions escalated, Eisenhower agreed with a containment policy to stop Soviet expansion.

In 1948, Eisenhower became president of Columbia University. Several months later he became the informal Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. His popularity growing, he was named supreme com-

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mander of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

In June of 1952, he retired from the Army to become the Republican Party nominee for president, eventually winning by a landslide against Democrat Adlai Stevenson II. Voters responded to Eisenhower's personal qualities – his sincerity, integrity, sense of duty, virtues as a family man, religious devotion, and basic likeability.

On January 19, 1953, the day before his inauguration, Eisenhower resigned from Columbia. He was last president born in the 19th Century, and the oldest president-elect at the time (62), since James Buchanan in 1856. He joined George Washington and Ulysses S. Grant as the third General of the Army to serve as president.

During the Korean War, Eisenhower reportedly considered using nuclear power against China and North Korea but chose not to as China weakened its support of the northern Communist regime after the death of Joseph Stalin in March of 1953. After the fall of the French fortress of Dien Bien Phu to Vietnamese Communists in May of 1954, Eisenhower responded by forming the Southeast Asia

Treaty Organization (SEATO), an alliance with the United Kingdom, France, New Zealand and Australia. In the years that followed, he offered U.S. military support to South Vietnam by increasing the number of military "advisers" to 900.

While vacationing in Colorado in 1955, he suffered a serious heart attack. Despite spending six weeks in the hospital, he campaigned for a second term, again defeating Stevenson in 1956. Soon after being sworn in for the second time, he championed a bill authorizing the Interstate Highway System, altering domestic travel significantly.

He worked towards a joint nuclear disarmament agreement with the Soviet Union; developed his domino theory that governed his approach towards communist expansion in Southeast Asia and Central America, increasing CIA activities to combat the "Red" spread; restored West Germany as a full NATO partner; and supported America's fledgling space program after Russia's launch of Sputnik into orbit in 1957. He also proposed to Congress the Civil Rights Acts of 1957 and 1960.

Eisenhower was the first president to be prohibited from seeking a third term. When he left office, Congress reactivated his commission as a five-star general in the Army. He was also the first to come under the protection of the Former Presidents Act, entitling him to a lifetime pension, a state-provided staff, and a Secret Service detail.

The Eisenhowers moved to a working farm adjacent to the Civil War battlefield at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. A severe heart attack in 1965 ended his participation in public affairs. The 78-year-old former

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Eisenhower, accompanied by former president Harry Truman (left) attended the funeral of President Kennedy in 1963. It was one of Ike's last public appearances.

president died of congestive heart failure at Walter Reed Army Medical Center on March 28, 1969.

After laying in repose for 28 hours in Washington National Cathedral's Bethlehem Chapel, he was transported to the Capitol Building, where he lay in state in the rotunda March 30 and 31, followed by a state funeral service. His body, clothed in his World War II uniform, was transported to his hometown in Kansas, and lain to rest inside the Place of Meditation, the chapel on the grounds of the Eisenhower Presidential Center in Abilene.



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WHAT ELSE: An intimate concert by internationally renowned harpist Parker Ramsay showcasing his latest works.



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WHAT: Savannah Philharmonic outdoor concert
WHEN: Sunday, Nov. 14
WHERE: Morris Park, 660 E. Broughton Street

HOW MUCH: Free tickets (required) available at savannahphilharmonic.org
WHAT ELSE: The Savannah Philharmonic will perform classical favorites, pops, movie soundtrack selections, and beloved patriotic pieces. Grounds open at 2 p.m.; live music starts at 3 p.m. Patrons can set up lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets. Grab a bite from a variety of local food trucks that will be on hand to join the festive celebration of community and the arts.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CATHEDRAL

WHAT: Handel's "Messiah Part I" and Carols
WHEN: Sunday, Dec. 19, 5 p.m.
WHERE: Cathedral of St. John the Baptist
HOW MUCH: \$40, \$25 or \$15
CONTACT: Eventbrite.com
WHAT ELSE: The Cathedral Chamber Orchestra, Cathedral Choir and soloists will perform the Christmas portion of Handel's Messiah. The audience will have the opportunity to sing the great carols of the season with the choir, orchestra, and organ.

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WHAT: New Neighbors
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WHAT: Landlovers membership / open to all Skidaway Islanders
HOW MUCH: Each \$30 membership fee covers one household of one or two adults.
CONTACT: Vicki Knapp at landloversmembership@gmail.com or visit www.landingslandlovers.com for more information.
WHAT ELSE: The membership year runs from September 1 through August 31. Landlovers is a philanthropic and social organization dedicated to enriching the Landings community and Skidaway Island at large. Landlovers sponsors year-round social activities and fundraising events to support student scholarships and multiple non-profit service organizations.

BELEW'S BRUSHES

WHAT: The paintings of Dell Belew
WHEN: Nov. 1 - 30; Artist's reception - Nov. 7, 2-4 p.m.
WHERE: JEA Art Gallery, 5111 Abercorn St.
CONTACT: Vicky Lunick, 912.355.8111
WHAT ELSE: Dell Belew has more than 40 years of experience as a minister, artist, English professor, writer, workshop leader, and public speaker.

TIED UP IN KNOTS

WHAT: Landings Garden Club Holiday Bow Sales
WHEN: Saturdays - Nov. 13, 20, 27, and Dec. 4, 11; Mondays, Nov. 15, 22 and 29; Friday, Nov. 26
WHERE: In front of the fountain near the Village Pharmacy
HOW MUCH: \$15-\$20 per bow
CONTACT: www.thelandingsgardenclub.com
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WHAT: JWOL Book Club
WHEN: Monday, Nov. 15, 10 a.m. via Zoom
CONTACT: RSVP to Carol.kramber@gmail.com
WHAT ELSE: We will discuss *The Last Kings of Shanghai: The Rival Jewish Dynasties That Helped Create Modern China* by Jonathan Kaufman. Zoom notice will be sent out on November 12.

IN-FLIGHT MOVIE

WHAT: Screening: "Ends of the Earth"
WHEN: Wednesday, Nov. 17, 4 p.m.
WHERE: Skidaway Community Church, 50 Diamond Causeway
HOW MUCH: Nominally priced tickets may be purchased at j.mp/skiddcceote.
WHAT ELSE: The film is a documentary revealing the true-life adventures of Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) pilots, missionaries and local believers spreading the Gospel in isolated and inaccessible places around the globe. Childcare will be provided. Covid-19 guidelines will be observed. A wine and cheese reception will follow.

TAG, YOU'RE IT

WHAT: TAGatNIGHT
WHEN: Wednesday, Nov. 17, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
WHERE: Jere's Antiques, 9 North Jefferson St.
CONTACT: Non-members wishing to attend, please contact Betsy McCullar, betsy2mccullar@gmail.com or 917.566.9101 or Chris Lanigan, chrislanigan40@gmail.com or 912.2104499
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WHEN: Wednesday, Dec. 1, 10 a.m. - 12 noon
WHERE: Pavilion picnic tables at Skidaway Farms
HOW MUCH: \$10 person for workshop; annual CGL dues are \$25 for an individual or \$30 for a family
CONTACT: Donna Bunn at donnabunn@gmail.com or Deb Werner at debk.werner@yahoo.com
WHAT ELSE: Open to all Skidaway Islanders who are members of Landlovers, not just Landings residents. Limited to 32 attendees, with preference given to CGL members. Materials will be provided for participants to make a centerpiece or hanging decoration. Mail or tube your check payable to Landlovers/CGL to Fran Johnson at 4 Delegal Road.

FIBER RICH

WHAT: The Fiber Guild of the Savannahs' artwork
WHEN: Dec 1 - 31. Artists' reception Dec. 5, 2 - 4 pm. Masks required.
WHERE: JEA Art Gallery, 5111 Abercorn St.
HOW MUCH: Free and open to the public
CONTACT: Vicky Lunick, 912.355.8111
WHAT ELSE: The Fiber Guild of the Savannahs is a group of artists who share inspiration and techniques using a wide variety of fiber-related arts. Spinning, weaving, dyeing, quilting, knitting, basketry, rug-making, paper manipulation, needle-felting, and crocheting are some of the crafts our members explore. Everyone - beginners, amateurs and professional fiber artists - are all welcome to join the guild.

GOLF CART GREETINGS

WHAT: Holiday Decorated Golf Cart Parade
WHEN: Saturday, Dec. 4, 3 - 7 p.m.
WHERE: Parade departs from the Landings Association Building, 600 Landings Way South
CONTACT: Email HolidayCartParade@gmail.com for questions and to join the email list
WHAT ELSE: Come early to line up. The last cart will include our own Santa. The parade will end at Landings Harbor for festivities which will include food trucks, hot chocolate, holiday music and performances, Landings tree lighting, and viewing all the decorated carts.

DECEMBER DELIGHT

WHAT: Landlovers Holiday Soiree
WHEN: Tuesday, Dec. 7, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
WHERE: Palmetto Ballroom
HOW MUCH: \$70 per person
CONTACT: Jeanette Graebener at jbg1972@comcast.net, or visit www.landingslandlovers.com and click on Socials
WHAT ELSE: Open to all Skidaway Landlovers, not just Landings residents. Enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres, holiday signature drinks, holiday music, karaoke, and a cigar bar in your favorite holiday attire. If you are not yet a Landlover, you

can join at www.landingslandlovers.com/join. Club membership is not required to attend.

HOLIDAY CLASSIC

WHAT: Coastal Golf Classic
WHEN: Thursday, Dec. 9, 11 a.m. shotgun start
WHERE: Westin Savannah Harbor, 1 Resort Dr.
CONTACT: Maria Center, 912.656.8269 or maria.center@redcross.org
WHAT ELSE: Benefiting Southeast Georgia Chapter Red Cross, which serves 18 counties in southeast Georgia. Registration includes green fees, practice range, cart, box lunch, golf shirt, tournament awards and silent auction.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

WHAT: Coastal Empire Habitat for Humanity inaugural "Home for the Holidays" gala
WHEN: Saturday, Dec. 11, at 6 p.m.
WHERE: Marriott Savannah Riverfront, 100 General McIntosh Blvd.
HOW MUCH: Individual tickets start at \$150
CONTACT: Please visit www.HabitatSavannah.org for more information
WHAT ELSE: The gala will serve as the largest fundraiser for the fourth quarter of the year for the local nonprofit organization. Guests will enjoy dinner, drinks, dessert, dancing, and a fun game!

BLUE CHRISTMAS

WHAT: Coastal Conservation Association of Skidaway December meeting - "The Blue Crab"
WHERE: St. Peter's Church
WHEN: Monday, Dec. 13, 7 p.m.
CONTACT: Paulette Hamilton, 610.509.0279
WHAT ELSE: Hope Meeks, owner of Southside Shellfish, will discuss the life cycle of the blue crab, the importance of meeting the needs of the present without compromising those of future generations. At the conclusion of the presentation, Hope will share a sampling of her signature crab stew and crab cakes. The CCA of Skidaway's December raffle prize will be gift certificates to Southside Shellfish.

POWER PLANTS

WHAT: Landlovers Plant Strong of Skidaway Island/Ladies Holiday Celebration
WHEN: Dec. 14, 6 p.m.
WHERE: Simone Heyman's home
HOW MUCH: No cost
CONTACT: Simone Heyman at 609.923.3599 or simoneheymanwfpb@gmail.com to be added to the guest list
WHAT ELSE: Open to all Landlovers Skidaway Islanders, not just Landings residents. Guests will prepare a WFPB (whole food plant based) or Vegan Mediterranean/Middle Eastern dish for dinner. Simone organized Plant Strong to support individuals who are interested in discovering the benefits of a WFPB or Vegan lifestyle, and to

provide a network of like-minded individuals with information, ideas and activities. Limited capacity, so sign up soon!

PARISH PARTY

WHAT: St. James Holiday Party for Landings Parishioners
WHERE: Palmetto Ballroom
WHEN: Wednesday, Dec. 15 - Doors open at 5:45 p.m. for cocktail/social hour; dinner at 6:30
HOW MUCH: \$41 per person
CONTACT: Maryce Cunningham, 912.335.1717, marycejcunningham@yahoo.com
WHAT ELSE: Kick off the Christmas season with a social hour to meet new St. James parishioners. If you joined the parish in the past few years and have not attended this event, please consider joining us. You can reserve a table with up to 10 seats by including the names of your group on the reservation form.

SPEAK EASY

WHAT: Savannah Speech and Hearing Center's "Speak Easy"
WHEN: Every Friday morning from 10 to 11:30 a.m.
WHERE: Savannah Speech and Hearing Center - 5414 Skidaway Rd.
HOW MUCH: Free and open to the public
CONTACT: Jenna Harcher, 912.355.4601 or jharcher@speechandhearingsav.org
WHAT ELSE: A support group for survivors of stroke or traumatic brain injury and their family or caregivers. Participants work on improving and maintaining skills associated with speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Due to Covid-19, masks are currently required.

PET PROJECT

WHAT: Holiday donation drive for the Humane Society of Greater Savannah
WHEN: Ongoing
WHERE: Humane Society Adoption Center, 7215 Sallie Mood Dr.
WHAT ELSE: Help make this holiday season merry and bright for the animals at the Humane Society of Greater Savannah by donating Purina pet food, canned kitten food and formula, dog and cat toys, and treats.

ANIMAL ATTRACTION

WHAT: Call for volunteers
WHEN: Flexible hours to meet your needs and schedule, various tasks
WHERE: The Humane Society Thrift Shop, 7215 Sallie Mood Dr.
CONTACT: Volunteer coordinator, Yvonne Hemphill, 603.502.6906
WHAT ELSE: No experience necessary. All proceeds from the thrift shop go to supporting the care of the shelter's animals.

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CHALLENGER CLUES*

ACROSS

- 1. John's running mate in '08
- 6. Take the lead
- 10. Cook's boss
- 14. Official timekeeper of the Olympics
- 15. Shelter
- 16. Kind of star or stone
- 17. Applebee's customer, e.g.
- 18. Since
- 19. Ireland, to Yeats
- 20. ALUMINUM CHLOROHYDRATE in your bathroom drawer
- 23. Mare's colt, e.g.
- 24. NBC sportscaster Berman
- 25. SODIUM CHLORIDE in the kitchen pantry
- 34. Humphrey's costar in "The Barefoot Contessa" (1954)
- 35. Zeus turned her into a rock
- 36. Type of pitch
- 37. Wiretaps
- 39. Tumult
- 41. Raga composer Shankar
- 42. Say, "I do" without ado
- 44. Walt Disney's middle name
- 46. Grok
- 47. HYDROGEN DIOXIDE in the toilet bowls
- 50. Super Bowl of 3020
- 51. Palindromic guffaw
- 52. SODIUM BICARBONATE in your medicine chest
- 61. Islamic spirits
- 62. Wolfe created by Stout
- 63. Orange Muppet
- 64. Rafts
- 65. Get nearer
- 66. Rivals of the UVA Wahoos
- 67. ___ Aid Pharmacy
- 68. Win by a nose
- 69. Pindar, notably

DOWN

- 1. Pop
- 2. 1979 Communist dictator of Afghanistan
- 3. 1996 Best Musical Tony
- 4. AARP concern
- 5. Starbuck's weapon

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- 6. Wound
- 7. Deep six
- 8. Over
- 9. Word often on an RX
- 10. CALCIUM CARBONATE under the kitchen sink
- 11. Blackbuck's weapon
- 12. Cut a dele
- 13. Moors
- 21. Noted DC Comics writer, Garth ___
- 22. Shorten a sail
- 25. Long, heavy pole that is tossed in Highland games
- 26. Plant embryo
- 27. Grandson of Noah (Genesis 10:2)
- 28. One carrying a papoose, say
- 29. Like ___ from the blue!
- 30. Stalin's infamous chief of the NKVD
- 31. Pirate ship stop?
- 32. It's like a dike
- 33. Germany's oldest city
- 38. CARBON DIOXIDE in the wine cooler
- 40. Tree of the acer genus
- 43. Hillbilly quartet?
- 45. Avowed
- 48. Emulate the Count of Monte Cristo
- 49. Batman's valet
- 52. Open
- 53. Stripper St. Cyr
- 54. 1.150 mph
- 55. Element #82
- 56. Orderly
- 57. Court defense?
- 58. Golgotha inscription
- 59. University of Akron athletes
- 60. Popular bath soap

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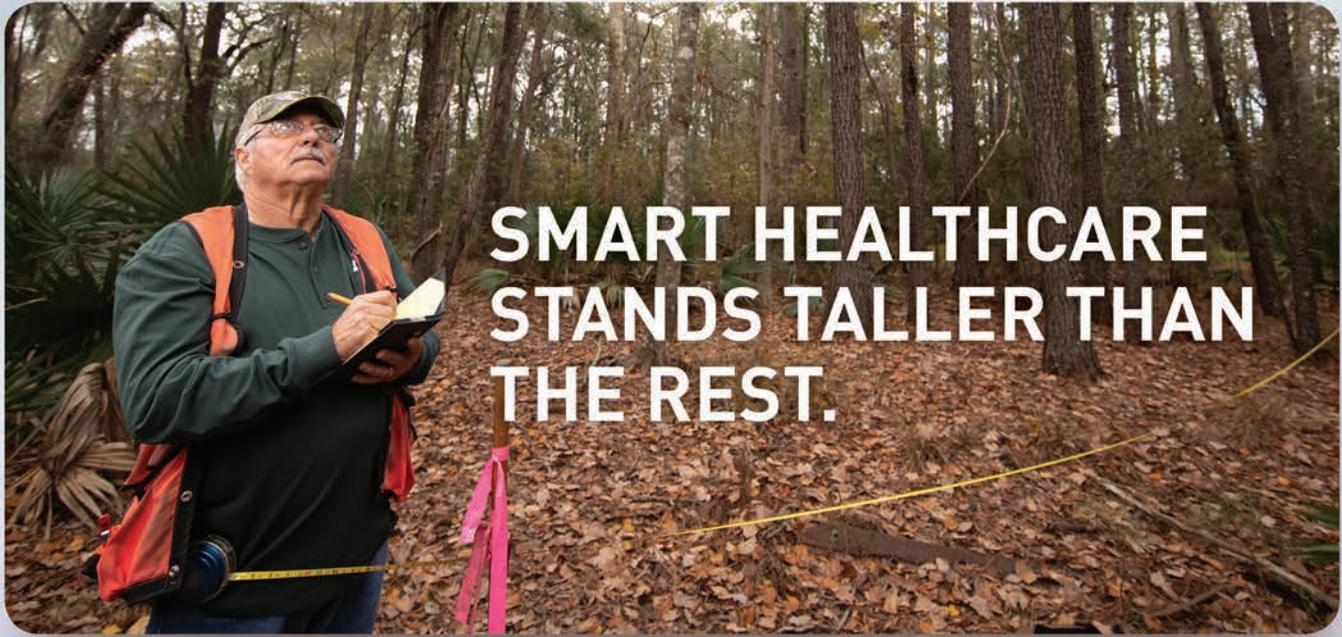
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