



The Skinnie

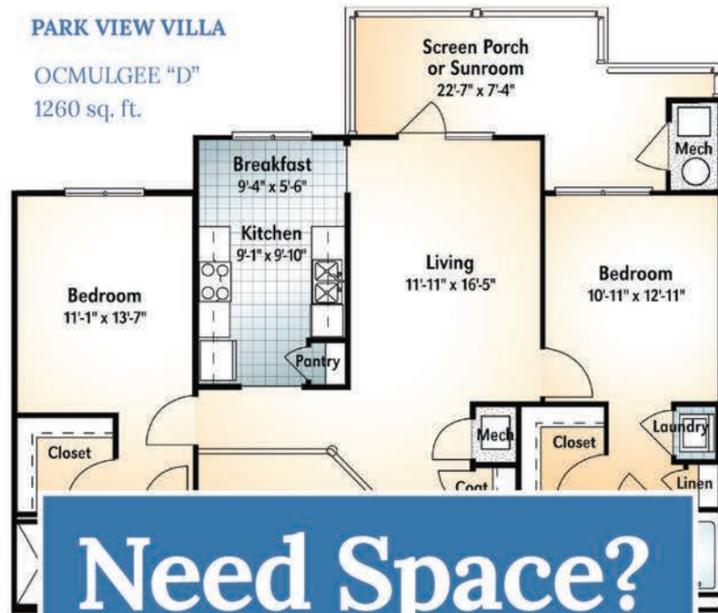
VOL 19, ISSUE 07 APRIL 02, 2021

SMILE —
It's April Fools!

A LIFE PLAN COMMUNITY

PARK VIEW VILLA

OCMULGEE "D"
1260 sq. ft.



Need Space?

THERE'S A FLOORPLAN FOR THAT.

- Over 30 Floorplans with Customization Options
- Wooded, Golf, and Lake Views
- Gated Community on 61 Wooded Acres
- Full-Time Geriatrician and Nurse Practitioner
- 6 Distinct Dining Venues
- 50+ Member Lead Clubs to Pursue Adventures with New Friends

HOMES
 COTTAGES
 VILLAS

FUTURE LIVING NOW... *There's a name for that.*



PARK SPRINGS®

An Isakson Living Community

Stone Mountain, GA

Visit us at ParkSprings.com
or call **678-684-3300** today to
schedule an on-site visit or virtual tour

A Life Plan Community
Active Adult • Assisted Living
Memory Care • Skilled Nursing



FLIGHT RISK CHARTERS
"THE LOWCOUNTRY'S FINEST"
WWW.FLIGHTRISKCHARTERS.NET

- Local In-shore fishing charters
- Tackle, bait and license included
- Transportation available
- Sightseeing & pleasure trips
- Charters to Daufuskie Island

Call Captain Norvin Eubank
912-655-6491

John B. Rourke
Savannah's Finest Store for Men Since 1949

Your formalwear headquarters

From black tie to white tie and tails, we carry a complete collection of formalwear and accessories including cummerbund and ties, vests, studs and links, scarves and hosiery.

7135 HODGSON MEMORIAL DR.
912.355.1211 • WWW.JOHNBOURKE.COM
Hassle-free store front parking

CUTTERS POINT COFFEE CO.

You're welcome

7360 Skidaway Rd.

Open Monday-Friday, 6:30 am-8:00 pm
Sat. 7:30 am-8:00 pm • Sun 7:30 am-6:00 pm



UP
front

'Spring in a bowl...

I planted flowers. I am not an enthusiastic gardener. Nor am I adept at keeping things alive. Yet I can't resist the temptation, when the weather begins to nudge us to the dirt.

It's spring. Daylight reclaims the evening hours it had abandoned. Walls loosen their hold on us. There's levity where there was labor. Spring is casual, informal, a relief.

Food editor Sam Sifton has written a book, cleverly titled *The New York Times Cooking No-Recipe Recipes*. The text promotes the culinary style that best suits both spring's non-chalance and my own aversion to stricture: Improvisation.

With blooms in every eyeline, I yearned to concoct something light and fresh. The result was exhilarating. This is my Farfalle Primavera, as a no-recipe recipe would explain it.

Enter the market thinking: Green. Collect at least three verdant veggies; I chose a small bag of freshly shelled English peas, a bunch of medium-thickness asparagus, and a heaping handful of French beans. The remaining produce: A large container of substantial grape tomatoes, a cluster of scallions, garlic, and a lemon. You probably have the following items at home; if not, you'll need to pick some up: Butter, heavy cream, white wine (I chose a Gavi, consistent with my innate Italophilia), red pepper flakes, a hunk of Reggiano-Parmigiano cheese, and salt. Don't forget a box of farfalle, the bowties that kids love.

Butter, cream, cheese....this is going to be heavy, right? Trust me, it's not. You won't use big quantities of these ingredients, just enough to put the sauce over the top.

As to amounts, the ratio, one-half, suggested itself to me. Half of the bag of peas, half of the bunch of asparagus. There's no magic to it, but roughly equal volumes of the green veggies make intuitive sense (with a cheat towards extra asparagus, to my taste).

Roughly chop the scallions. Halve the tomatoes. Cut the asparagus and beans into bite-sized (big bites) pieces. Mince a couple of cloves of garlic. Grate a pile of cheese.

Bring a large pot of water to boil. Salt liberally. Blanch the green veggies for 3 to 5 minutes (don't allow them to soften significantly or their color to dull). Remove and run under cold water, drain, and set aside.

Add salt to the boiling water, drop the pasta in, and cook as directed on the package (for the shorter amount of time specified in the suggested range).

Melt a knob of butter in a high-side pan, like a Dutch oven, over medium-high heat. Add the scallions, salt, and saute for a minute or two. Add the garlic, red pepper, tomatoes and a bit more salt to season. Cook for about 5 minutes, as the tomatoes begin to break down a bit. Add the green veggies and season again. Stir well and heat through. Increase heat to high. Pour in a few swigs of wine and cook off. Grate lemon zest onto the vegetables, reduce heat to medium, and add a little (not too much) cream. Simmer until the pasta is cooked. Drain the farfalle, add it to the pan, toss with grated cheese and fold diligently to incorporate the whole thing.

Spring in a bowl.

Scott A. Lauretti



Congratulations, CLASS OF 2021!

The annual rite of spring
that has become
The Skinny Graduation Issue
is fast approaching.



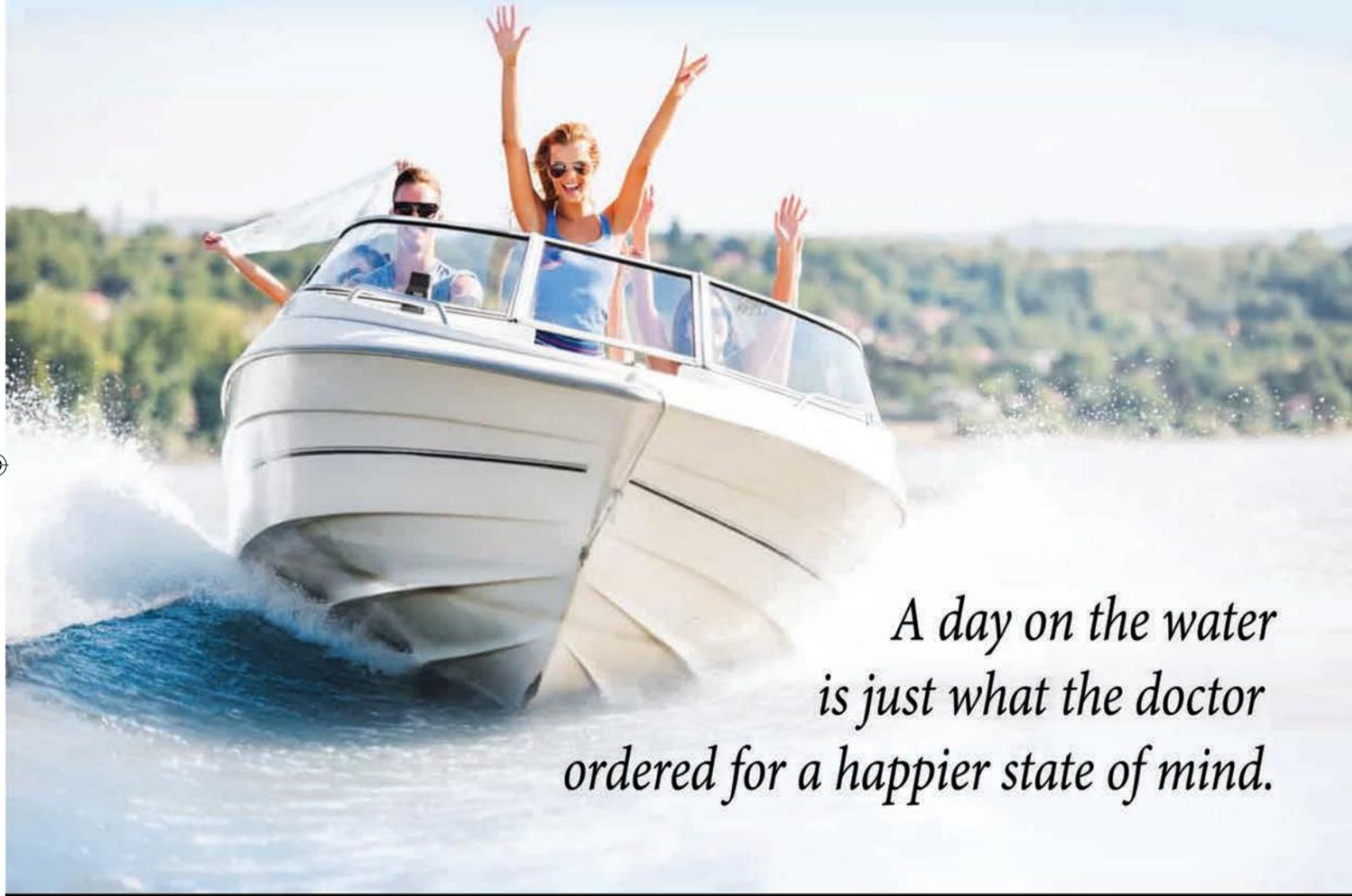
Send us those high school senior photos and a sentence or two about your plans for the future, where you plan to attend college, what high school you are graduating from, and we will be happy to include them as part of our salute to the Class of 2021.

Email your submissions to mail@theskinnie.com or drop them by our office: 15 Lake Street, Suite 280 (across from Publix).

HURRY! DEADLINE IS JUNE 11!

BOATING SEASON IS ALMOST HERE!

After months of being cooped up, let
Carefree Boat Club at the Landings
be the shot in the arm you need!



*A day on the water
is just what the doctor
ordered for a happier state of mind.*

Enjoy boating without owning • Fun for the whole family
All boats are cleaned and sanitized after each use.

**Carefree
at the Landings**



937-477-1210
www.CarefreeBoats.com

EDITOR AND PUBLISHER

Scott Lauretti
slauretti@theskinnie.com

GENERAL MANAGER

Charles Hendrix
chendrix@theskinnie.com

ART DIRECTOR

Philip Schweier
pschweier@theskinnie.com

ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Jim Toole
jtoole@theskinnie.com

OFFICE MANAGER

Teri Grayson
tgrayson@theskinnie.com

CONTRIBUTORS

Jack Hammond
Ralston Kellogg
Peg LaGamba
Ron Lauretti

stay in touch:
Skinnie Media, LLC
15 Lake Street, Suite 280
Savannah, GA 31411
912.598.9715

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

editor@theskinnie.com
We reserve the right to
edit letters for clarity and
content. We do not
print unsigned letters.

GENERAL INQUIRIES

mail@theskinnie.com

DISPLAY AND CLASSIFIED

ADVERTISING
sales@theskinnie.com

ART SUBMISSIONS

production@theskinnie.com

in this issue

- 8** **2020 – THE MUSICAL**
Local Theatre Producer Shares His Vision
- 12** **GATOR AID**
Should Skidaway Residents Be Nervous?
- 18** **SEMPER PARATUS**
A History of the U.S. Coast Guard, part 1

features

- 04 Up Front
18 St. Joseph's/Candler
24 Island Hopping
26 Crossword
27 Classifieds
30 Wild Things



on the cover:

Sure, April Fools Day was yesterday,
but it's never too late to share
a smile or two.

The Skinnie Magazine is not responsible for unsolicited materials and the publisher accepts no responsibility for the contents or accuracy of claims in any advertisement in any issue. The Skinnie Magazine is not responsible or liable for any errors, omissions or changes in information. The opinions of contributing writers do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the magazine and its publisher.

2020

THE MUSICAL

By Ralston Kellogg

Twenty-twenty was a rough year for everyone. Amidst all the societal upheaval, some of the organizations that have been hardest hit financially are in the performing arts. Musicians, actors and stage technicians have seen audiences dwindle to levels reserved for Pauly Shore poetry readings. But one Skidaway resident is hoping to turn the pandemic into profit.

Maxwell Folger is currently crafting a lavish stage musical featuring tales inspired by topsy-turvy 2020. Though some might find such a production (ironically) tasteless, Folger is quick to defend his efforts. “Nobody complains that *West Side Story* is about teen gang violence, or that *The Book of Mormon* makes light of a recognized religion.”

Folger cites comedy writer Mel Brooks, who has poked fun at racism, the Spanish Inquisition and mental illness. “In our nation’s darkest times – the Depression, World War II, the Vietnam era – audiences have looked to the stage and screen to lift their spirits,” Folger says. “It is only through joy and laughter that we can combat the sorrow of the past year.”

Folger insists the premise of the production is not the pandemic but a tale of hope in the face of tragedy, comprised of four

intertwined stories spread out over a year. “*Guys and Dolls* is arguably the most successful Broadway musical of all time,” explains Folger. “It’s based on the stories of Damon Runyon, so that’s where I began, by bringing together characters who share only one thing in common: the impact of the pandemic.”

The characters include a senior couple who find themselves sheltering at home, isolated from friends and family; a younger couple dealing with the harsh realities of exposure and quarantine; a doctor and nurse on the front line treating sick patients; and a small business owner forced to reinvent his revenue streams.

“As the show progresses, these stories begin to intersect in different ways,” says Folger. “Those intersections result in conflict,



“In our nation’s darkest times – the Depression, World War II, the Vietnam era – audiences have looked to the stage and screen to lift their spirits. It is only through joy and laughter that we can combat the sorrow of the past year.”

Theatrical producer Maxwell Folger

humor, romance, and... eventually...understanding – up to a point.”

Folger explains that the show is work in progress, and everything from minor tweaking to major revisions are likely before opening night. Roles may be re-written, and songs may be dropped in favor of a leaner, more enjoyable show. “That’s what I love about the theatre,” Folger grins. “Anything can happen.”

AN ACTOR’S LIFE

Folger grew up in the tiny town of Sardis, Oklahoma, where he became fascinated with New York City’s Great White Way. “When I discovered there was a more famous Sardis in New York, I knew that’s where I wanted to be. I mean, let’s face it, the most famous thing about Oklahoma is the musical.”

As soon as he was old enough, Folger shook the dust of Sardis from his tap shoes, headed to the Big Apple, and took every job he could find. “I did everything that involved public performance, from singing telegrams to birthday clowns,” he says. “Off-Broadway, touring companies, wherever the work took me, that’s where I went.”

Folger found some commercial success – literally. “Casting directors often need someone to deliver dialogue to actors they’re considering for a role – that was my job, and I was very good at it. I could memorize dialogue in two readings. Remember the ‘Wassup’ beer commercial? I worked on that.”

But it was in the theater (the actual building, not the art form) that he found success, beginning as an apprentice usher and working his way up the ladder to senior usher within a matter of weeks. “In fairness, it’s no reflection on me that I advanced so quickly,” he says modestly. “Many of the ushers ahead of me were of an age where – well, let’s just say time was on my side.”

In New York, and the usher ecosystem specifically, Folger was surrounded by equally ambitious actors who grew impatient with show business and left for other jobs. “My roommate at the time, Marty, gave up acting entirely. Said he was going to try directing, but I don’t know that he’s accomplished anything.”

As a senior usher, Folger helped form the Ushers Union, Theater and Film – which came to be known as “the double-U.T.F.,” for which he served as treasurer, then president, for 18 years. But in the aftermath of 9/11, New York tourism and Broadway ticket sales were decimated. As the theater industry continued to struggle, the Double-U.T.F. also collapsed, its finances stretched beyond the breaking point.

Folger found work in *Beat Mania*, a production based on the poetry of Allen Ginsberg starring Mike Meyers. “The show had disaster written all over it, and Meyers was totally wrong for the part,” Folger recalls. “But this was right after his latest film tanked at the box office, and he was desperate for work.”

Prior to opening in New York, *Beat Mania* toured cities along the eastern seaboard, refining the production in preparation for its Broadway debut. However, while the show was playing the Daytona 500 Dinner Theatre, Meyers quit. “Something about contractual payments not being met, or some sort of financial mismanagement, I’m not really sure,” Folger says. “All I know is the entire company was

We’re Local. We’re Here For You.

Allow us to take care of all your prescription needs. Our staff and volunteers at our COVID vaccination clinic are diligently working to provide as many doses as possible to keep you safe.

A local business committed to meeting your needs.



1 Skidaway Village Walk • 912-598-8669



The Oldest, Most Trusted Roofing Contractor Serving Savannah and the South Carolina Lowcountry for over 40 years.

Residential/Commercial Roofing
Gutter Installation
Family Owned & Operated
Licensed & Insured
FREE Estimates

Danny 912.856.1110 • Office 912.748.8493
Nick 912.656.1439

Grassiroofing.com

SELLING THE LANDINGS and the Greater Savannah areas



*"So
thankful for
my buyer!"
Carol Scott*

17 FRANKLIN CREEK

A stunning townhouse currently under contract at 100%+ list price.

Congratulations to my wonderful client!



Carol Scott, Realtor®
912.656.0664 • 912.356.5001

carolmscott@kw.com
329 Commercial Dr., Ste. 100
Savannah GA 31406

KW KELLERWILLIAMS REALTY
COASTAL AREA PARTNERS



Solving the Termite Puzzle

It is puzzling how termites can cause more damage each year than fires, floods and storms combined.
But...they do.

We've solved this puzzle and back our work with the best termite warranty in the business.

Yates-Astro
Termite & Pest Control
651-9000

www.yates-astro.com



Maxwell Folger spent his pandemic lockdown writing songs, around which he is crafting a stage musical in the hope lifting spirits.

stranded in Florida, with no way to get home to New York. So we did what anyone would do – we got drunk.”

Twelve days later, Folger awoke on a Greyhound as it crossed into Chatham County, alone and with no knowledge of what had become of his castmates. After arriving in Savannah, he learned the Double-U.T.F was looking for him, and chose not to return to New York. Daunting as his fate seemed to be, it led to good fortune.

“As an officer in the Double-U.T.F, I was due a payout (that was maintained in escrow) when it dissolved,” Folger explains. “The longer I delayed (from returning to New York), the more interest accrued, and I was able to retire rather comfortably.”

The stage remains part of Folger’s DNA. So, while under lockdown the past several months, he channeled his emotions into songwriting. “I originally started writing music for my own amusement, but the deeper I got into it, the more ambitious I became.”

He continues to compose musical numbers, though he doesn’t expect all of them to be featured in the show. The songs include such titles as “Which Doctor?,” “Quarantine Angel,” “Sanity and Homes,” and the finale, “Vaccination Rhythm.”

When completed, Folger hopes to stage the musical locally, aware that it may not appeal to everyone. To allay potential audience reservations, Folger will donate a portion of the box office proceeds to pandemic relief and host survivors-only shows with free admission. “It’s a way to bring together those who suffered during 2020, and hopefully offer a little entertainment for a few hours,” Folger says. “After all, that’s what live theater is all about – bringing people together for a shared experience.”

However, as social distancing guidelines remain in effect, it is unlikely the curtain will be going up any time soon. But that should only allow Folger to continue refining his repertoire and perfecting his production.



www.theskinnie.com

EXQUISITELY CRAFTED. ELEGANTLY STYLED.
INCOMPARABLY DETAILED.
AWARD WINNING CUSTOM HOMES



Joseph Black, an award winning custom home builder, has over three decades of experience that includes building more than 100 homes at the Landings, as well as numerous luxury homes and remodeling projects in Georgia, South Carolina and Florida. From concept to completion,

Joseph Black has the expertise to meet the needs of the most discriminating client.



J. E. Black, Inc.
CUSTOM HOME BUILDERS

To ensure the highest quality product and on-time completion,

Joseph Black commits exclusively to one project at a time.

Call or email for your personal appointment.

PHONE: 912-398-0248

EMAIL: JOSEPH@JEBLACK.COM

CONCRETE

Professional
concrete
repair and
replacement

Driveways • Patios
Walkways • Pool Decks

Serving Skidaway Island
since 2003
Licensed and insured

COLONIAL  CONSTRUCTION

Call 912.921.9002
for a FREE ESTIMATE

COASTAL Restoration & Remodelers



Commercial/Residential
New Homes
Kitchens & Baths
Additions & Custom Designs
Flooring
Decks & Porches
Windows & Siding
Roofing & Gutters

CALL US TODAY
912.313.3252



GATOR AID

By Peg LaGamba

Later this summer, 2,000 alligators native to South America are scheduled to be released into the wetlands of southeast Georgia – including the Skidaway Island area. The release is part of a research partnership between the University of Provo (U of P) and the Universidad de Veterinario Medicino (UVM) in Tierra Grande, an emerging nation near the Guyanas.

The U of P's Office of Alligator and Turtle Studies (OATS) is contributing \$3.1 million to study breeding and socialization habits between North and South American species, and how adaptable the genus is across hemispheric lines.

The release was originally planned for last summer, but the global pandemic raised concerns as to how COVID-19 might affect the alligators and corrupt research data.

Local officials have protested the experiment, concerned it will pose a hazard to area residents, but their complaints have been dismissed by research officials. "The results of this study will benefit not only the country of Tierra Grande, but also our own knowledge of indigenous wildlife," argues John Daryl of OATS.

However, an alligator's brain is the size of a small marble, limiting its intellectual endeavors to repetitive cycles of eating and sleeping. Who can say that the pandemic hasn't affected the animal kingdom and natural behavior?

MAN VS. FOOD

OATS will tag the alligators for subsequent tracking. Hunting will be prohibited. Researchers are concerned about the growing popularity of alligator meat in Southern cuisine. Mild flavored and firm in texture, it is regarded as a healthy alternative to other meats, due to its high-protein and low-fat contents. Anyone suspected of hunting protected alligators will be subject to investigation, and federal prosecution by the U.S. government, as well as sanctions by Tierra Grande.

"I'd like to remind everyone that alligator meat can only be legally sourced from registered farms," says Professor Howard Lilloman of U of P's Health, Aging, Longevity and Lifestyle (HALL) Department. "Some U.S. companies harvest alligator meat only from the tail of alligators, which is more humane."

UVM spokesperson Alberto Minoleta anticipates a noticeable decline in the local populations of fish, waterfowl and other wildlife. "The alligators will eat about 20 pounds of

prey each per day, more as they get older," he says.

Minoleta asserts that an alligator's diet does not typically include people. However, they migrate to wherever food is available, eating whatever meat they find. Mature alligators will lie at the water's edge, waiting for turtles, birds, snakes and small mammals – or a stray golfer – to wander along the bank. Residents should be wary, as gators can strike with extraordinary speed, leaping right out of the water.

HALL and OATS have collaborated on an advisory to residents who might feel threatened by potential alligator attacks.

PROTECTION

According to Florida alligator farmer Mano Achaparrado: "Sure, they can be dangerous; but, like most wildlife, they'll leave you alone if you leave them alone. They're usually pretty chill, as long as you respect their space." Achaparrado claims that people are more likely to have a fatal encounter with a dog or a cow than with an alligator. "However," he adds cautiously, "your odds are never zero."

With that in mind, he has developed a repellent for residents to carry with them when the alligator population surges in conjunction with upcoming research collaboration. Dubbed "Alligator Shoo," the aerosol comes in golf ball-sized grenades designed to explode on impact. Though the formula has yet to be perfected and patented, Achaparrado promises it is completely effective against alligators. "The only problem is that it attracts mosquitoes in tremendous quantities. We're still working the bugs out," he says with a smile.

Achaparrado advises that the first step to take in the event of a charging alligator is in the opposite direction. Alligators are quick, and can reach speeds up to 15 miles per hour, but they can't sustain it very long.

"But if it's too late and that gator sinks its teeth into you, fight back," he urges. "You want to give it your all, because that will more than likely allow the alligator to release you. Like humans, they're lazy, and aren't particularly interested in working too hard for their next meal."

Alligators have a bite force of 3,000



SAPELO
SKIN CARE

RESTORING EYE SERUM 1 oz (30 ml)

SAPELO SOFTENING EMOLLIENT .5 oz (15 ml)

SAPELO SPRING TIDE SERUM 1 oz (30 ml)

SAPELO RENEWING SERUM 1.7 oz (50 ml)

Enter code **SKIN** at checkout for **20% OFF**

www.SapeleSkinCare.com

Made in Savannah



Alligators (left) and crocodiles (right) are similar creatures but have noticeable differences to the trained expert. An alligator's lower teeth fit into small depressions in the upper jaw, whereas the teeth in the lower jaw of a crocodile fall along the edge or outside the upper jaw when the mouth is closed.

pounds, so opening the jaws is out of the questions. Experts recommend gouging the gator's eyes, hitting the gator's snout, which is rather sensitive, or tickling it under its chin.

Another strategy Achaparrado suggests so as to avoid alligator attacks: move to New Mexico or Montana.

ALLIGATORS VS CROCODILES

When asked about any danger to local residents, UVM spokesperson Minoleta is quick to point out that risk associated with alligators is minimal in comparison to other similar animals. "After all," he says, "It's not as if we're releasing crocodiles into area waters."

of the hind feet. "Gators have less, so it's wise to compare before making a hasty judgment between gator or croc."

Another obvious external difference between alligators and crocodiles is that alligators have narrower and longer heads – more U-shaped than a V-shaped snout – compared to crocodiles.

When pressed regarding the risk to area residents, and the liability issues involved with the upcoming repopulation program, Minoleta replies, "We can't be responsible for people if they are attacked. Besides, anyone gullible enough to believe this April Fool's article deserves to be eaten."

He encourages residents to closely examine the webbing on the toes



TERRI CULLINA, RN
Specializing in ThermiVa for bladder control and Platelet Rich Plasma treatments for thinning hair.

BECKY BRINSON
Certified Medical Tattoo artist specializing in permanent makeup and micro-blading for more natural looking brows.

PERFECT TOGETHER

ANNA VANWINKLE, LICENSED ESTHETICIAN
Esthetician with 14 years of experience with skin care and laser treatments to achieve and maintain youthful healthy skin.

DALLAS SELLARS, RN
Specializing in Botox, Dysport, Lip Enhancement with fillers and Platelet Rich Plasma Therapy for hair thinning.

E. RONALD FINGER, MD, FACS.
Specializing in all surgical and non-surgical procedures to make patients look as good as they feel.

CALL 912-354-4411
TO SCHEDULE YOUR CONSULTATION TODAY

410 Mall Blvd. Suite E Savannah, GA 31406 | 350 Fording Island Road Bluffton, SC 29910

MORE Than Meets the Ear ...MORE by Oticon

MORE CLARITY | MORE HEARING | MORE LIFE | LESS EFFORT



The next generation in hearing technology you won't want to miss or hear!

Did you know that you hear with your brain, not your ears. Your ears capture sounds so your brain can identify them, locate them, and decide which ones to listen to. It takes work to hear when you have a hearing loss. That work load is causing your brain to work harder than it should. Long term that work can cause memory and cognitive problems.

We are **Doctors of Audiology at AHAS** and here to guide you to the best hearing health solution at the best price point that meets your budget!

- 60 day no risk trial
- Rechargeability
- All price points
- Direct to cell phone
- Remote care available
- No interest payment plans available
- Most insurances accepted

Call for your complimentary consultation and demonstration

Savannah/Pooler 912.351.3038 Skidaway Island 912.598.0616



AHAS
DOCTORS OF AUDIOLOGY



109 Modena Island Road
\$3.2 Million



13 Dame Kathryn Drive
\$289,000



3 Henry Clay Court
\$389,900



4 River Otter
\$899,000



32 Dame Kathryn Drive
\$298,000



11 Huntingwood Retreat
\$499,900



1 Elcy Lane
\$789,000



3 Marburg Lane
\$474,000



20 Chatauchee Crossing
\$879,900



2 Hasleiters
\$879,000



1 Firethorn Lane
\$577,500



14 Delegal Road
\$750,000

NOT AN APRIL FOOL'S JOKE!!

ALL new listing agreements signed between now and June 30th get a 5% listing commission (with mention of this ad).



Nicole Casino
912-598-6250

Cathryn O'Neill
912-441-1413

SAVANNAH

Real Estate Experts

www.YourHomeInTheLandings.com

Phone: 912-598-6250 • Office: 912-356-0006

GO WITH THE FLOW



An innovative medical adhesive treats varicose veins with less pain and quicker recovery than traditional methods

When most people think of reflux, they think of stomach acid flowing back up into the esophagus causing heartburn – a very common condition. But reflux is defined as any flow of fluid that goes in the wrong direction, and that can include blood. When a damaged valve in your veins allows blood to flow backward, it causes another common reflux condition – varicose veins.

Blue and bulging, often in a twisted shape along the leg, varicose veins are often a cosmetic nuisance. “Varicose veins can occur in men or women of any age,” explains Peter Hunt, MD, RPVI, of St. Joseph’s/Candler’s Physician Network – Vascular Surgery. “But they most frequently affect older women. Being overweight or having a family history of varicose veins can also be a factor.”



Peter Hunt, MD

Though not an urgent, threatening problem, varicose veins can indicate that the one-way valves in your main veins are no longer working correctly. This is a condition known as venous insufficiency, which causes increased downward pressure in the veins. If you have symptoms but don’t seek treatment, things could get worse.

Symptoms include:

- Heaviness in your legs
- Aches or pain around the site of the varicose vein
- Swelling, primarily below the knee
- Leg fatigue
- Tightness in portions of your leg
- Skin discoloration

Compression stockings are a first-line treatment but not a cure, and need to be worn indefinitely. There are options for those who want a more permanent solution.

A NEW OPTION

The established treatments for varicose veins include radiofrequency ablation (RFA) and surgery. With RFA, a thin catheter is inserted into the vein, then numbing medicine is injected along the length of the vein. Once in position, the catheter is drawn backward as it sends out heat created from radiofrequency. This closes the vein off from blood flow. The treatment for more complicated cases is surgical intervention, which may leave tiny scars on your legs.

For some patients, there is a new treatment option called VenaSeal. Developed by Medtronic, this device closes off damaged veins and diverts blood flow to healthy ones. But instead of radiofrequency heat, the VenaSeal uses an advanced medical adhesive to close the vein. “We’re excited to bring this option to this area because of its advantages,” vascular specialist Hunt says. “Two of the most significant benefits are less pain and a

quicker recovery.”

Patients can often return to normal activity right after the procedure, with only a small bandage to cover the incision.

Hunt explains, “RFA requires numbing medicine along the leg, which involves multiple skin injections, and some patients need a sedative during the procedure for that reason. VenaSeal only requires one injection of numbing medicine at the insertion site. There is less bruising as well.”

Patients may feel a mild tugging sensation during the procedure, but overall there is less pain during and after the VenaSeal procedure than with other treatment options, along with a reduced risk of nerve damage.

“There is no trauma to the vein with this procedure,” Hunt says. “I can perform this right in the office in about 45 to 60 minutes. We do ask people not to do heavy lifting or strenuous activity for two weeks after the procedure, but light activity is perfectly fine.”

GETTING A LEG UP

Most patients won’t have to bother with compression stockings after the VenaSeal procedure or RFA. Hunt follows up with his patients after two weeks and again after three months to confirm that the varicose veins are decreasing in size or have gone away. By that time, patients usually report that they have a renewed confidence in enjoying activities they may have avoided in the past, such as going to

Spreading the FACTS, not the VIRUS: The Safety of the COVID-19 Vaccine

“It was developed too fast.”

That is a top concern St. Joseph’s/Candler primary care physician Dr. Lorraine McRae hears when she asks certain patients why they are hesitant to get the COVID-19 vaccine. Yes, vaccines were developed quickly, but they have passed the same rigorous safety and effectiveness standards reviews as other drugs.



Lorraine McRae, MD

“Red tape was not an issue,” McRae explains. “There was worldwide collaboration in developing these vaccines. “Because all stops were pulled and with the need for this vaccine, scientists were able to develop it quickly.” But McRae emphasizes the safety as well as the development speed of the COVID-19 vaccines.

It’s not just McRae’s patients who have expressed reservations concerning vaccination. According to St. Joseph’s/Candler officials, many people, especially those in the African-American community, are concerned about vaccine safety. The medical community understands public skepticism. However, the coronavirus demands effective preventative measures, as it spreads quickly, has demonstrated lethality and its future effects are yet unknown.

“Because of that, I strongly recommend everyone get the vaccine,” McRae says. “People have expressed their dislike for the masks; their dislike for social distancing; and their dislike for being forced to stay in their homes and away from loved ones and friends. In order for those things to go away, we all need to be vaccinated.”

ENSURING COVID-19 VACCINES WORK

COVID-19 vaccines are being developed as quickly as possible. However, that doesn’t mean they don’t go through rigorous testing. Routine processes and procedures remain in place to ensure the safety of any vaccine that is authorized or approved for use. The COVID-19 vaccine was developed and tested in several phases. Clinical trials pro-

vide data regarding effectiveness and safety. Clinical trials and the iterative development they foster often lead to better and safer methods of treatment. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) evaluates data from a clinical trial. The FDA then can decide whether to approve a vaccine and authorize it for emergency use in the U.S. As of late March, three COVID-19 vaccines have been approved for emergency use in the U.S.- Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson and Johnson. These vaccines help bodies develop immunity to the virus that causes COVID-19 without developing the illness itself, meaning there is no live virus in the vaccine. COVID-19 vaccines have been held to the same rigorous safety and effectiveness standards as all other types of vaccines in the U.S. The FDA only approves or issues emergency authorization for COVID-19 vaccines if they meet these standards.

“If we are going to get back to life that is more open and interactive with others, then yes, we all need to get the vaccine, and it is safe to get it,” McRae concludes.

the beach or playing tennis with friends. Not only is the heaviness or pain gone, but they like how their legs look.

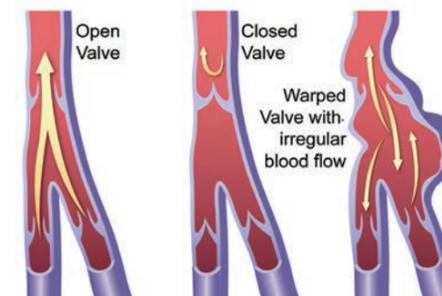
Not all patients are candidates for VenaSeal, including those who may have an allergic reaction to adhesives or those with autoimmune skin disorders. But those patients might qualify for RFA.

“The success rates for the VenaSeal procedure and the RFA procedure are the same at three years out,” Hunt says. “Patients who come to us will have different options; but, for most people who suffer from varicose veins, the VenaSeal option is the future.”

Dr. Peter Hunt has office hours in Savannah, Hinesville and Statesboro, as well as Bluffton, South Carolina. Patients may need a referral. Call 912.354.8331 to learn more.



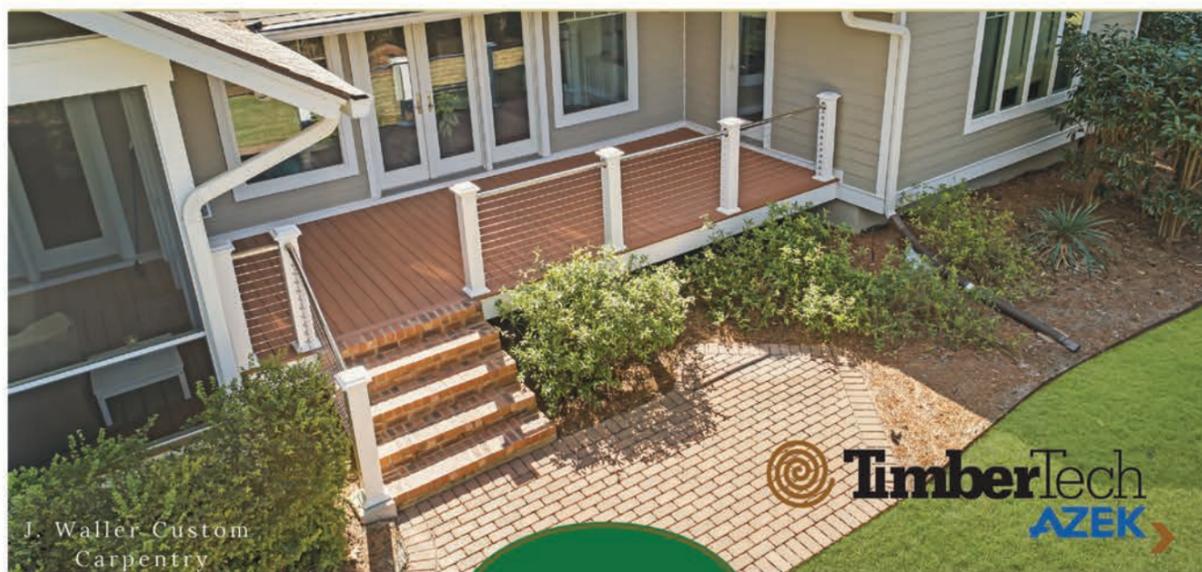
“The success rates for the VenaSeal procedure and the RFA procedure are the same at three years out,” Hunt says. “Patients who come to us will have different options; but, for most people who suffer from varicose veins, the VenaSeal option is the future.”



GET DECKED OUT



Coastal Constructive Innovations



J. Waller Custom Carpentry



SAVANNAH'S
PREMIER SOURCE
FOR DECKING
AND RAILING

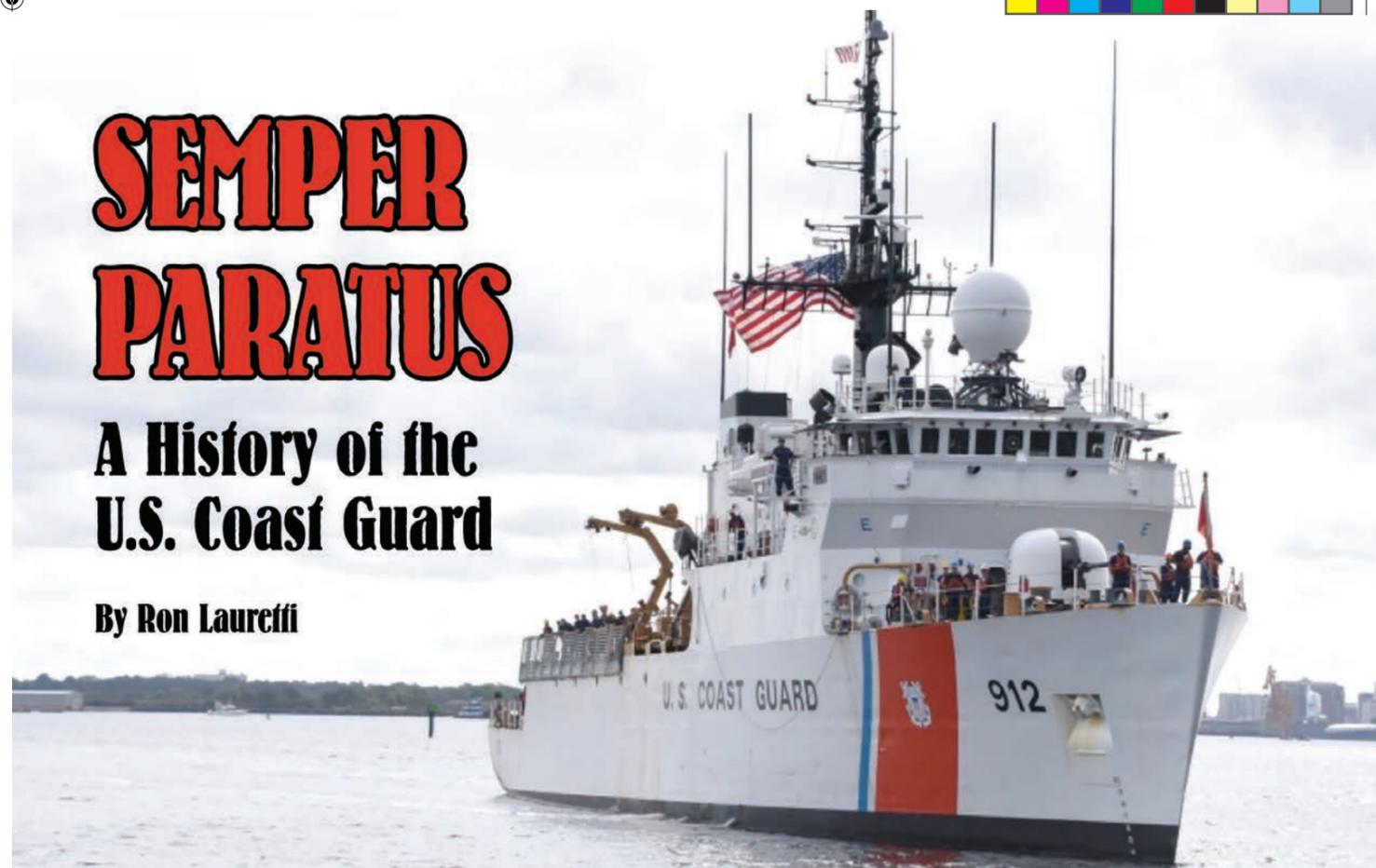
123 W. 44th St.
guerrylumber.com | 912.629.5522

CALL 912-629-5522
FOR A FREE
CONSULTATION

SEMPER PARATUS

A History of the U.S. Coast Guard

By Ron Lauretti



For more than 200 years, our shores have been protected by the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) – dedicated mariners whose service vessels have progressed from small wooden sailing ships to sleek, armed modern cutters – and aircraft – manned by crew trained for maritime law enforcement and search-and-rescue missions.

On August 4, 1790, Secretary of the Treasury Alexander Hamilton lobbied Congress to authorize a fleet of cutters (small armed sailing ships) to enforce tariffs, a major source of revenue for the new nation. Congress passed the Tariff Act, authorizing the construction of 10 cutters crewed by 40 revenue officers. From 1790 to 1798, this fleet – small but capable – was the only American naval force while the Continental Navy was deactivated. Known as the Revenue-Marine, each vessel operated independently, patrolling waters off the East Coast and reporting to the customs house in a major port. Their duties also included combating piracy, rescuing mariners in distress, ferrying government officials, and carrying mail. Beginning in 1794, the Revenue-Marine was also tasked with preventing African slave ships from coming to the U.S., capturing approximately 500 slave ships over

the next 70 years. In 1808, the Revenue-Marine was responsible for enforcing President Thomas Jefferson's embargo closing U.S. ports to European trade. After the 1822 Timber Act was passed, the Revenue-Marine protected government timber from poachers.

In times of national crisis, the revenue cutters and their crews were at the disposal of the Navy. Hence, they were involved in the war with France (1798-1799), the War of 1812, the West Indies Anti-Piracy Operation, and the Mexican-American War. During the American Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln ordered the revenue cutters to combat duty with the Navy. On June 14, 1863, they were assigned to the North Atlantic Blockading Squadron, intercepting Confederate blockade runners.

After the Alaska Purchase in 1867, the USRC *Lincoln* was dispatched to Sitka as agent for the U.S. Collector of Customs in San Francisco, to establish sovereignty, and to do reconnaissance on the Alaskan coastline.

Renamed the Revenue Cutter Service (RCS) in 1894, the branch was instrumental in developing Alaska in the late 19th century,

THE COAST GUARD ACADEMY

On July 31, 1876, the School of Instruction of the Revenue Cutter Service was established near New Bedford, Massachusetts. Originally, it provided a two-year assignment to sea duty aboard ship, supplemented by classroom instruction in technical subjects. As needs changed, the institution moved several times, eventually settling near New London, Connecticut. Over time, the campus and its curriculum expanded. In 1903, a third year of instruction was added and, in 1906, an engineering program for cadets was launched.

In 1929, the land on the Thames River where the academy is located became government property thanks to a generous donation by the city of New London. New buildings were added, and in 1932, a fourth year of classes was added to maintain pace with modern vessels and updated maritime procedures.

bringing a steady supply of food and medicine to natives. In a dramatic episode of courage and compassion, two RCS officers and a surgeon from the Public Health Service drove a herd of reindeer across 1,550 miles to help starving whalers trapped in the ice near Point Barrow.

Following the sinking of the *RMS Titanic* in April of 1912, the RCS began patrolling for icebergs in the North Atlantic, launching the International Ice Patrol. In 1915, the RCS merged with the U.S. Lifesaving Service, a maritime rescue organization that had grown from volunteers in coastal communities. In 1878, the Lifesaving Service had been officially organized as an independent service, equal to the RCS. Today's Coast Guard recognizes the legacy of the Lifesaving Service by awarding the Surfman's Badge to coxswain's who qualify to operate motor lifeboats in rough seas. The modern badge is similar in design to the original Lifesaving Service's seal (pictured here).



The newly established Coast Guard had 255 officers, 3,900 warrant officers and enlisted men, a headquarters, four depots, an academy, 25 cruising cutters, 20 harbor cutters, and 280 lifeboat stations. Small but ready for almost anything, the coming World War would expand that limited pre-war inventory of personnel, equipment and responsibility.

During World War I, the Coast Guard was transferred to the operational control of the Navy. However, it had already begun preparations for war in late 1916. Engineers improved telephone communications

along the U.S. coastline including lighthouses and lifesaving stations. Anticipating military aviation, the Coast Guard sent several officers to flight school.

Meanwhile, Germany declared unrestricted submarine warfare on all ships trading with its enemies, including neutral shipping. Seven U.S. vessels were sunk with a loss of 36 American lives, resulting in a formal declaration of war against Germany and its allies in April of 1917. Because the Coast Guard was still in an early stage of development, there was not much interaction with the Navy during the war. However, the Navy recognized Coast Guard personnel as the experienced mariners they were, and often assigned them to Navy ships to fill in for crew shortages and lack of experience. Also, the Navy regarded Coast Guard cutters as ready assets to fill in for a rapidly expanding Navy.

The largest single loss for the Coast Guard during the war occurred in September of 1918, as the *USCGC Tampa* escorted an Allied convoy sailing into the Irish Sea. An enemy torpedo struck the *Tampa* amidships, sinking the cutter with all hands. More than 140 lives were lost.

Another significant event occurred in 1918 when twin sisters Genevieve and Lucille Baker of the Naval Coastal Defense Reserve became the first uniformed women to serve in the Coast Guard.

After the war ended, the Coast Guard became known as the "Hooligan Navy," as it enlisted almost anyone discharged from other branches of the U.S. military. In spite of being looked down upon by the other branches, "Hooligan Navy" became a term of pride within the Coast Guard.

During the 1920s, the Coast Guard was given several former Navy four-stack destroyers to help enforce the national Prohibition policy, but the result was less than successful due to the sluggishness of the vessels.

The Coast Guard continued to fulfill its mission on water. More than 43,000 people and 11,000 head of livestock were rescued during the excessive 1927 Mississippi River Flood.

In 1939, the Coast Guard absorbed the U.S. Lighthouse Service, the oldest government agency in existence at the time.

On December 7, 1941, Coast Guard personnel sprang into action at Pearl Harbor, manning anti-aircraft batteries and any other weapons they could find. Shortly after the U.S. entered the war, Germany began a steady series of submarine attacks, from the North Atlantic to the Caribbean Sea. Because of concern that enemy subs would offload agents onto U.S. soil, Coast Guard personnel, sometimes on horseback, regularly patrolled the beaches. Such diligence paid off in June of 1942, when a Coast Guard seaman 2nd class, John Cullen, discovered German saboteurs landing at Amagansett, Long Island. He received the Legion of Merit for capturing the Germans and preventing sabotage on U.S. shores. The following November, the Coast Guard Women's Reserve was formed. Known as the SPARS, approximately



11,000 women served in various stateside positions, freeing men for duty overseas.

The Coast Guard saw extensive action from the English Channel to the shores of North Africa to Pacific Island beaches, and its performance was exemplary whenever it was involved. For instance, in February of 1943, when a military transport was sunk by a German U-boat in the frigid waters off Greenland, Coast Guard swimmers clad in wet suits pulled 230 men from the ice-cold waters. On D-Day, a flotilla of wooden Coast Guard cutters nicknamed the "Matchbox Fleet"

cruised off the beaches of Normandy rescuing Allied invaders from drowning or enemy fire. At Omaha Beach, the Coast Guard-crewed *USS Samuel Chase*, a landing craft, transported the U.S. Army's 1st Infantry Division. Off Utah Beach, the Coast Guard crewed the command ship, *USS Bayfield*. During the war, Coast Guard units sank 14 enemy submarines and captured two surface vessels. Its casualties numbered less than 300 men killed in action.

TO BE CONTINUED...

Relocating?
Make sure
TheSkinnie magazine
follows you home.

Subscribe today.
mail@theskinnie.com
912.598.9715

WE WANT YOU
To Share Your Story!

There's a lot of military service among our readers, active and retired, from all branches of the military, as well as police, fire and other first responders. Help us recognize their service by nominating them to be featured in an upcoming **He Served.**

Send your nominee's name and contact info to ron135@comcast.net



BIG BLUE MARBLE

WHAT: Earth Day Savannah Month
WHEN: The month of April
WHERE: Throughout Chatham County
CONTACT: EarthDaySavannah.org for a complete calendar of events
WHAT ELSE: This month-long event will be a celebration of Earth Day in April, featuring a mix of virtual and small in-person events.

POWER PLANTS

WHAT: Skidaway Audubon Online Pollinator Plant Sale
WHEN: Now through April 10
WHERE: Order online at skidawayaudubon.org; Pick up at SIUMC April 17
HOW MUCH: \$8 plus tax per plant, in 1-gallon pots
CONTACT: friendsofskidawayaudubon@gmail.com
WHAT ELSE: More than 25 kinds of colorful, native, perennial plants for sale. All attract pollinators – butterflies, hummingbirds, bees, etc. The objective is to create havens for pollinators in residential yards and restore pollinator populations. Bring beautiful blossoms and butterflies to your yard and help restore essential habitats.

COAST WITH THE MOST

WHAT: CCA of Skidaway April Meeting – “The Secret Underground Water System of the Landings”
WHERE: Via Zoom
WHEN: Monday, April 12, 4 p.m.
CONTACT: Dave Devore, 330.329.6457
WHAT ELSE: Landings Association Director of Public Work Sean Burgess talks about the Landings’ underground water and lagoon systems and how all the components tie together to create the great Landings environment. Registration is required through ccskidaway.org and “Click Here to Register.” A link to Zoom will be sent prior to the meeting. Each meeting attendee will receive a free raffle ticket for a fishing excursion led by Capt. Matt Starling. Additional tickets can be purchased through the website.

island hopping

*Please email content to mail@theskinnie.com.
Deadline is the Friday prior to publication.*

WHO NEW?

WHAT: New Neighbors
WHEN: Visit www.landingsnewneighbors.com to see our calendar
CONTACT: Visit our website or contact Milli at nnnewmember@gmail.com
WHAT ELSE: The club offers more than 250 different activities from biking, golf, pickleball, walking groups or fishing to Mahjong, Bridge, Needle-arts and Canasta. We have exciting military tours and special events for you to enjoy right here on Skidaway Island.

GOTTA LOVE IT

WHAT: Landlovers Membership
HOW MUCH: Each \$30 membership fee covers one household of one or two adults.
CONTACT: Cindy Altman, Landlovers Membership Director, at Landloversmembership@gmail.com.
WHAT ELSE: Landlovers is a philanthropic and social organization. More information and details can be found at www.landlovers.com. Membership year runs from Sep. 1, 2020 through Aug. 31, 2021.

PET PROJECT

WHAT: Linen drive for the Humane Society of Greater Savannah
WHEN: Ongoing
WHERE: Humane Society Adoption Center, 7215 Sallie Mood Dr.
CONTACT: Call Rosemary Longueira at 598.2875 or drop donations at 22 Long Island Road, Oakridge
WHAT ELSE: Donate old towels, washcloths, pillowcases, sheets, dish towels, pet beds, and chair cushions. Please bring them to the front of the Adoption Center, not the Thrift Shop donation area.

RISING SON

WHAT: Sunrise Service, provided by the Skidaway Community Church
WHEN: Sunday, April 4, 6:45 a.m.
WHERE: Landings Harbor
WHAT ELSE: The Community Easter Service for friends, neighbors and families will resume this year with all COVID precautions in place. Attendees come in golf carts or cars, bring lawn chairs, or sit on picnic tables to sing together, listen to a moving ecumenical message, and watch the sunrise on Easter morning.

LET’S FACE IT

WHAT: “Let’s Face it,” an art exhibit of faces and figures by Daryl Nicholson
WHEN: Now through May 4
WHERE: The Palmetto Club, the Landings
HOW MUCH: Free
CONTACT: darylnicholson.com
WHAT ELSE: Millions of Americans are out of work and face hunger due to the pandemic. Nicholson will donate 50 percent of all sales to Feeding America. If you are looking to fill an empty space on a wall at your home or office, please consider the work, knowing that a purchase will also fill an empty stomach.

ORDER IN THE COURT

WHAT: Skidaway Abigails/WAG Zoom Meeting
WHEN: Monday, April 8, 7:00 p.m.
CONTACT: To learn more about Skidaway Abigails, a nonpartisan organization of progressive women, go to skidawayabigails.org or to join this meeting as a guest, contact chair@skidawayabigails.org.
WHAT ELSE: Skidaway Abigails and our advocacy group, Women Advocating for Georgians (WAG), welcome judges Lisa Colbert, Thomas Cole, Roxanne Formey and Lindretta Kramer to discuss, “Reforming Juvenile Justice” and the Chatham County Juvenile Court. They will share their combined experience regarding what happens when kids get in trouble with the law.

PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY

WHAT: “We Remember,” photographic exhibit
WHEN: April 8 through April 30
WHERE: JEA Art Gallery, 5111 Abercorn St. Savannah
HOW MUCH: Free and open to the public
CONTACT: Vicky Lunick, 912.355.8111
WHAT ELSE: Photos document death camps preserved throughout Poland, as well as images capturing the vibrant display of life in Israel. Marlene Seidman-Robinowich is an assistant professor of fine arts at Savannah State University and has exhibited her photographs and artist books nationally and internationally. Images also contributed by Savannah March of the Living delegates Morgan McGee, Shellie Jensen, Paige Lorberbaum, Jamie Richman, and Tova Tolman.

PLAY TO WIN

WHAT: “Together for a Cure,” to benefit Mercer University School of Medicine
WHEN: April 12 – 20; Registration opens Feb.

14

CONTACT: Shirley Newhart, snewhart@comocast.net or Lynda Stockslager, lyndastockslager@yahoo.com

WHAT ELSE: Expansion of Golf for a Cure fundraiser to include all court sports – tennis, pickleball, bocce and lawn croquet – and the Wellness Center. Sponsorships available, purchase of raffle tickets or tributes. Funds cancer research, the purchase of medical equipment, and the Summer Scholars Program.

VISION QUEST

WHAT: 6th annual “Fore” Vision golf tournament
WHEN: Monday, April 12; Registration begins March 26
WHERE: The Landings Club on Skidaway Island
HOW MUCH: \$500, team of 4
CONTACT: Jerry Haggerty, jerryhaggerty4@gmail.com, 912.665.4115; or Leslie Eatherly, leatherly@savannahcblv.org, 912.236.4473
WHAT ELSE: Benefits the Savannah Center for the Blind and Low Vision.

ANGELS AMONG US

WHAT: Landings Angel Investors
WHEN: Thursday, April 15, Virtual Meeting
CONTACT: Jerry Thimme, 586.1254, ejthimme@gmail.com
WHAT ELSE: This virtual meeting will discuss “The Anatomy of an Angel Investment,” explaining growth capital accumulation for and investment opportunities in early-stage venture companies.

BEST SELLERS

WHAT: Village Library Spring Book Sale
WHEN: Saturday, April 17, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
WHERE: 1 Skidaway Village Walk, Savannah
CONTACT: Michael Sullivan at 912.598.2325
WHAT ELSE: Browse used books moderately priced, in support of the Village Library. Rain date is April 24

BALLS OF FUN

WHAT: The One Hundred Children’s Foundation Annual Great Golf Ball Drop and Elegant Picnic on the Green
WHEN: Monday, April 26 at 6 p.m.
WHERE: The Green (practice range) at Deer Creek Golf Club, the Landings
HOW MUCH: \$100 per person; Includes one elegant picnic dinner basket per couple; member or cash bar
CONTACT: Co-chairs Margy Hatch, margymhatch@gmail.com, and Kerry Ufford, kerryufford@gmail.com, or visit www.TheOneHundredChildrensFoundation.org
WHAT ELSE: All proceeds go to the OHCF Grants Fund. Numbered golf balls to be dropped from 40 feet may be purchased for \$100 each. The

ball falling closest to the designated hole wins 1st place. Prizes: 1st - \$2,500; 2nd - \$1,500; 3rd - \$500. Maximum Of 500 balls to be sold. You do not have to be present to win prizes.

GEECHEE TALK

WHAT: CCA of Skidaway May Meeting – “Protecting, Preserving and Improving Water Quality throughout the Ogeechee River Basin”
WHEN: Monday, May 10, 4 p.m.
WHERE: Via Zoom
CONTACT: Dave Devore, 330.329.6457
WHAT ELSE: Damon Mullis, the Ogeechee Riverkeeper/Executive Director, will speak. Registration is required and available at ccaskidaway.org. A link to the Zoom feed will be sent prior to the meeting. Each meeting attendee will receive a free raffle ticket to win a fishing excursion from Marshland Inshore Fishing Adventures. Additional tickets are available for purchase in support of CCA programs.

FORE THE BIRDS

WHAT: Skidaway Audubon Golf FUNdraiser
WHEN: May 23; registration deadline - May 17
WHERE: Terrapin Point and Palmetto Courses
HOW MUCH: \$150 registration fee; To register, pick up entry cards at the pro shop
CONTACT: friendsofskidawayaudubon@gmail.com, or visit skidawayaudubon.org
WHAT ELSE: Entry fee includes raffle tickets. Proceeds help bring monarch butterflies back from the brink of extinction and support other projects to protect the island environment. Hole sponsorships available.

AMERICAN ENGINE-UIITY

WHAT: Skidaway Island Corvette Club
WHEN: Third Thursday of each month
WHERE: A visit to a superb custom car display in a showroom off Mall Blvd, followed by lunch at the Palmetto Club
HOW MUCH: No dues at this time, however an \$8 name tag fee may be forthcoming
CONTACT: Clayton Scott, 912.658.3116
WHAT ELSE: Skidaway Island now has a club for owners of Corvettes, already 25 members strong. Its goals are camaraderie and to share the enthusiasm for this classic American auto.

FERAL FRIENDSHIP

WHAT: Skidaway Cat Alliance Team
WHEN: Ongoing
WHERE: Skidaway Island and surrounding
CONTACT: skidawaycats@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/skidaway-catlanceteam
WHAT ELSE: The Skidaway Cat Alliance Team is a group of dedicated animal lovers who provide food, population control (spay/neuter), medical care, and shelter for free-roaming cats in the Skidaway area. We have cats and kittens currently

being fostered that are available to new, loving homes.

BODY AND SOUL

WHAT: Skidaway Island United Methodist Church (SIUMC) Exercise Classes
WHEN: Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays, times are below
CONTACT: For more information or to register for January session, visit siumc.org/exercise or call 912.598.8460
WHAT ELSE: Mat Pilates from 9:15-10:15 a.m.; and Sit-Fit from 10:15-11:15 a.m. Classes are led by Elena Bennett, an ACSM-certified exercise instructor. SIUMC has added Friday classes to its offerings for church- and non-church members alike.

KEEP ‘EM FLYING

WHAT: The National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force
WHEN: Tuesday – Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Noon to 5 p.m.
CONTACT: For more information call 912.748.8888 or visit www.mightyeighth.org
WHAT ELSE: New guidelines are in place to protect staff and visitors. Visitors are strongly recommended to wear facemasks. Hand-sanitizing stations have been established throughout the museum. Some areas will be capacity-controlled.

HOCUS POCUS!

WHAT: Landings Magic Society
WHEN: 7 p.m., second Thursday of the month, Oct. through May
WHERE: Plantation Club card room
CONTACT: Jim Ruhl, 912.856.3948, jsruhl@gmail.com or Bill Sickels, 912.598.9123 or whsickels@gmail.com
WHAT ELSE: Anyone with an interest in magic is welcome. Every meeting is instructional, entertaining and enlightening.

NOW HEAR THIS

WHAT: Music Academy Online Free Instruction
WHEN: 7 days a week
WHERE: Via Zoom
HOW MUCH: Free, courtesy of St. Peter’s Church
CONTACT: Dr. Timothy McKee, tmckee@saintpeterssav.org
WHAT ELSE: Learn and cultivate music skills.

CERVUS WITH A PURPOSE

WHAT: Bingo at the Elks Lodge
WHEN: Sundays at 7 p.m. and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.
WHERE: 183 Wilshire Blvd
WHAT ELSE: \$1,500 in prizes. All proceeds benefit Elks charities.

Complete Island Hopping listings are now online! Just visit www.theskinnie.com and click “Read.”

CHALLENGER CLUES*

IT'S REALLY TRUE!

ACROSS

- 1. Geppetto's digs
- 5. Kismet
- 10. Item in a literary agt.'s in-box
- 14. Russian city on the Oka River
- 15. Prequel to the "Odyssey"
- 16. Wasted
- 17. **This is what we start with**
- 19. Frilly
- 20. Past, present, or future
- 21. American will need millions to find the pandemic
- 23. Slo-mo critters
- 25. Bar
- 26. Bookbinding leather
- 29. Spews
- 33. **Oops! How did this get in here?**
- 38. Pack of monkeys
- 39. Stick in the fridge
- 40. "___ Bulba" (Gogol novella)
- 42. Après de crépuscule
- 43. PIXPRO camera maker
- 45. **COMEX is kept up-to-date on our production**
- 47. Forever, to Elizabeth Browning
- 49. Darth Vader's daughter
- 50. TV Actress, ___ Ward
- 52. Prepares for a selfie
- 57. Stoners
- 61. Tolerate
- 62. Group that rhymes with 59-Down
- 63. **Lipstick does help..... a little bit**
- 66. Sundance Kid's Place
- 67. Leech-like
- 68. Naldi of the silent screen
- 69. Air
- 70. Causing horripilation
- 71. Munich's river

DOWN

- 1. Direct descendents of the ancient Egyptians
- 2. ___ Atom (British high performance sportscar)
- 3. Dal ___ (musical direction to repeat)
- 4. Heeling
- 5. Soul from Seoul?
- 6. Dom, e.g.

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9		10	11	12	13	
14					15						16				
17				18							19				
20							21			22					
23					24			25							
				26		27	28		29			30	31	32	
33	34	35	36					37		38					
39					40				41		42				
43				44		45				46					
47					48		49								
				50			51			52		53	54	55	56
57	58	59					60			61					
62					63			64	65						
66					67						68				
69					70						71				

- 7. Prison movie staple
- 8. European automobile marques, e.g.
- 9. Latin word that begins a Christmas carol
- 10. **They said it couldn't be done**
- 11. Berry from a palm tree
- 12. The Amish, e.g.
- 13. Nestlé dairy subsidiary
- 18. Jacket popularized by the Beatles
- 22. Type of legal practice
- 24. Type
- 27. Calc. to diagnose metabolic acidosis
- 28. Chemical used in perfumery
- 30. Game with sticks and balls
- 31. Moil
- 32. Crisco rival
- 33. Bunkum
- 34. Heaps
- 35. Man from ancient Persia

- 36. **Big name at delicatessen counters**
- 37. Recherché
- 41. Running boards?
- 44. Front of the popliteal
- 46. Disney's 5th animated classic
- 48. Slip by
- 51. Fred Astaire's big sister
- 53. Zarathustra, for one
- 54. Deep purplish blue
- 55. Broadway role for Patti LuPone
- 56. Creator of "Thimble Theatre"
- 57. 15-Across, e.g.
- 58. Name that's an anagram for 59-Down
- 59. Name that's an anagram for 58-Down
- 60. Spoil 007's martini
- 64. Major coll. in Coral Gables, FL
- 65. 12/31

Puzzle answers, page 29

\$20 each, with a maximum of 50 words • \$5 for each additional 10 words • Contact Teri Grayson at 598.9715 or email classifieds@theskinnie.com

ACCOUNTING & INCOME TAX CPA SERVICES

Landings resident **Bob Stiehler, CPA**, provides personal and small business accounting and income tax services. Expertise in Economic Stimulus related tax benefits, investment and retirement income, rental properties, K1s, small business, partnerships, estate and trusts as well as IRS notices and audit assessments. Please contact Bob at 678-936-2970, or email bob.stiehler@yahoo.com, website: www.bsats.com

AIR CONDITIONING SERVICE/REPAIR

Impact Air, LLC • We service/repair all brands of Air Conditioning & Heating equipment. Services range from duct repairs to replacement of an entire HVAC system. With over 20 years of experience, you are sure to receive quality work at a fair price. We also offer maintenance plans to keep your HVAC system(s) operating efficiently. Call Dan Abel, 912.667.1472. Licensed & Insured GA Lic# CN211101

AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE

Dixie Motors, Inc. • Serving Savannah since 1980. From minor to major repairs on all makes and models. We offer 30-minute oil change service. Towing available. Fleet service available. A/C experts. Nationwide warranty. Conveniently located at 2013 E. Victory Drive (across the parking lot from Home Depot). 355.3568.

LEXUS & TOYOTA OWNERS • Factory trained Lexus and Toyota Master Technicians with 25 years experience. ASE certified. Located minutes from The Landings, Loaner car available with any major service or repair. Performing services and repairs at a fraction of the dealership prices. Savannah Autoworx, 116 Shipyard Rd, Savannah, Ga 31406. Phone: 912.356.0007. We service all makes and models.

AUDIO/VISUAL SERVICES

ALPHA AUDIO VIDEO LLC • Offers the installation and service of home system racks, whole house audio, central vacuum systems, CCTV, network wiring, TV mounting, outdoor lighting and much more. Reasonable rates with quality results are backed by 15 years industry experience. Call Jesse Oakes at 912.547.4397 for a free consultation.

CARPET CLEANING SERVICES

DIAMOND CARPET AND TEXTILE SERVICES • Founded in 2001, Diamond provides Award Winning* Service in Carpeting, Tile & Grout, Upholstery and Oriental Cleaning. Featuring Experienced,



Polite, Professional, Uniformed personnel our goal is to accomplish your complete satisfaction. Our reviews are on Google and Facebook or ask your neighbor for a personal referral! For Better Results, CALL Diamond today! 912.349.7115 SMS accepted 912.658.2899 www.diamondcarpetandtextileservices.com

CLEANING SERVICES

We are proud, prepared, and equipped to sanitize your home. Hubbard's Cleaning Service. We use EPA registered disinfectant and sanitize all of the high touch points in your home. Our owner is GBAC/HCT certified and we follow CDC guidelines to ensure client safety in your home. Call 912.961.9131 for a quote.

COMPUTER SERVICES

ONSITE NETWORK SERVICES, LLC • Jacob Dimond providing prompt and professional onsite computer and IT services for Landings residents for over 15 years. Specializing in Windows and Apple computers, laptops, iPad and smart devices, new computer sales and upgrades, computer cleaning and tune ups. Transfer programs and files from old to new computers. Wireless network and printer installation. Install streaming TV services and help customers "cut the cord". Provide training and tutoring. Smart Home device installation, lightning/power surge repairs and data recovery. Recycling or donation of old equipment. Free phone consultations. Call 598.2990 or 507.2693, 7 days a week.

Savannah Computer Services, Inc. • Professionally serving coastal areas of Georgia and South Carolina for over 25 years. Specializing in both business and residential PCs, Macs, and most IT equipment with a full spectrum of services including but not limited to installation, networking, cabling, diagnostic and repair, upgrades, data recovery, virus removal and prevention, moving/relocation, and consulting. Specialty business offerings include VOIP phones, high speed internet circuits with failover, and hosted cloud backup services. Enjoy fast and convenient on-site service, FREE pickup and delivery, or remote service by appointment only. Quotes are always free and no travel charge within our local area of coverage. Call Mike and Cyndy Tabakian, 912.756.7860 or visit our web site at savannahcomputer.com

COOLSCULPTING® BY COOL BODY CONTOURING

COOLSCULPTING® SPRING SPECIAL • 20% up to 50% Discount depending on purchase. FDA cleared non-invasive stubborn fat removal for good. Call for free consultation with Dr. Martin Everhard, MD, PhD, FACS, 912.200.6000. Located at 9100 White Bluff Road, Suite 102 (across from Food Lion).

DOOR SCREENS

Phantom Screens • The Phantom Screen's unique retractable design means it is there when you need it and disappears when you do not. Designed for doors, windows and large openings up to 25 ft. wide, we have a Phantom screen to meet your needs. Available in a variety of colors to compliment your home décor. Call 912.552.2331 or visit phantomscreens.com

ELECTRICIAN

KMB Technology • As a Savannah native, Kerry McBride has over 40 years of experience as a commercial and residential electrician. He specializes in electrical repairs, renovations, and service engineering. All work is done to code and done with expert craftsmanship and integrity. Please call or email for a quote or any questions!! 912.508.5540 or kmbinc@comcast.net

FISHING

Bandy's Bait Shop • Enter Rodney Hall Boat Ramp at Butter Bean Beach. We offer live bait: Shrimp, Minnows, Crickets, Worms. Frozen: Shrimp, Mullet, and Squid. Assorted light tackle. Assorted snacks. We're open 7 days a week, Mon thru Friday, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sat and Sunday, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., also most holidays. Phone: 912.354.6444.

GOLF CARTS FOR SALE OR RENT

Golf Carts for Savannah LLC • We have late model E-Z-Go RXV and Club Car Precedent carts that are beyond Landings equipped. Short- or long-term rentals available. Call Dana Oliver at 354.1113 for details and directions.

GUNS

Guns Wanted • Top cash paid. Gunstock, LLC, 5 East Montgomery Cross Road, Savannah's Firearms Source., 912.438.5811

HAIR

Come visit Mr. Haircut • With 34-years experience and 6 barbers there is no long wait! Located at 411 East Montgomery Crossroads in Savannah.

The Skinnie Classifieds listings are now online! Just visit www.theskinnie.com and click "Classifieds."

*For each puzzle a relatively difficult set of clues (Challenger) will accompany the first printing. In the subsequent issue, the same puzzle will appear with an easier set of clues (Standard) Email questions/comments to puzzler@theskinnie.com

We're open Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 6 pm and on Saturday, 9 am to 1 pm. We will take appts after hours by calling ahead of time. We also provide Home Visits by Appointment. You may call or text at 912.346.9769. Ask your neighbor about us.

HOMES FOR RENT OR SALE

Are you thinking about selling your home? I have buyers interested in buying your house! We also offer FREE design consultations, staging, professional photography and local marketing! Mention this ad and get a reduced rate commission! Nicole Casino with Savannah Real Estate Experts, 912.356.0006 or 912.598.6250

Rental Wanted • Looking for fully furnished rental, November 1, 2021 through April 20, 2022. Please contact George Longstreth, 207.604.9257 or bblgl-bl@gmail.com.

Robin Boan • A Landings resident with 16 years of Realtor expertise. My firm brings you a wealth of knowledge and a concierge level of service. I'm the agent you need to get top dollar for your home in this hot real estate market! Contact Robin today! 912.272.3826 or robin@robinboangroup.com

HOME IMPROVEMENT/REMODELING

Savannah Tradesmen • Complete Home Remodeling and Construction Contractor. Custom Kitchens and Baths. Additions, Screened Porches, Decks. Certified Pella Window/Door Installer. Roofing Experts. Stucco Specialist. Concrete, Pavers, Hardscapes. Water Damage Restoration Certified. Foundation structural repair experts. Home Inspector Certified. Wood Rot, Pressure Washing, and Painting. Design Consultation Services Available. Licensed and Insured Georgia Contractors #RBQA004670. Free Estimates. Home: 351.0716 or cell: 656.8842.

John Hodges Construction, Inc. • We specialize in window and door replacement and repair. We're a Pella and Marvin certified contractor. We also specialize in exterior siding, decks, service fence and trim. Interior remodeling: Kitchen, bathrooms, and trim. No job too small. Serving the Landings since 1982. Call 313.2767.

INTERIOR DESIGN AND DECORATING

Debbie's Decorating • For over 20 years, throughout the United States, I've designed and decorated homes, offices and new construction. I would love to

assist you in updating your home! Please call now to book your appointment with Landings resident Debbie Leacock. Phone 214.405.0989 or visit my website at www.dleacock.com.

LANDSCAPING/LAWN CARE

Grassmaster Lawn Care • We offer complete landscape management with year-round service. Our services also include fertilization, insect, weed, and fungus control, along with lawn and shrub programs. We are your total lawn care service. We also offer landscaping, i.e. lawn renovation and sodding. Licensed and Insured. Free estimates. Please call Mike Schuman at 354.8856.



New Leaf Landscape Management • As Skidaway Island residents, we understand your need to maintain a beautiful well-kept lawn. New Leaf Landscape Management specializes in full-service lawn maintenance and fertilization, debris removal and professional landscaping design/ installation. With over 15 years in the industry, we have developed strong relationships with local companies to deliver superior products for your home at the utmost competitive

prices. Please call for your no obligation lawn evaluation and free quote. Thank you! 912.656.9088 or 912.210.9773. Licensed and Insured.

Scott's Lawn Service, LLC • Customer service you deserve! We are committed to providing the most reliable lawn care service and maintenance. Offering complete lawn care needs including lawn mowing, edging, pruning, hedge trimming, blowing, blowing the roof, and pine straw installation, and fertilizer. Call today for a free estimate. Let us maintain your property, so you can enjoy it. Licensed and insured. 912.656.8472

MOVING & DELIVERY

Gracious Moves • Landings Resident/Realtor® / Move Manager, Brooke Bass has been assisting families since 1985. Moving simplified from A to Z: Prepare home for sale, list and sell, sort, pack, organize, floor plan, stage, unpack, setup, hang art, remove boxes on moving day! NAR® Outstanding Service Award! www.GraciousMoves.com; Brooke@GraciousMoves.com; Call Brooke, 912.655.9299

PAINTING AND POWER WASHING



Islands Painting • Proudly serving the Landings for over 20 years. We specialize in custom interior and exterior painting. We also do pressure washing of homes, sidewalks, driveways, etc. Wallpaper removal and much more!! Thank you for your consideration. Please see my reviews at TLA. Call Tommy Rigdon, 912.308.4601 or email: tjrigdon@yahoo.com



All American Low Country Painting • We are a 4th generation Painting business with over 60 Years of experience. All our work comes with a 2-year guarantee and paint from Sherwin Williams has a lifetime warranty. Please call us for your painting needs and all estimates are free of charge. We are locally owned and operated. Licensed and insured. Call Randy Parrish 912.239.0206 or email randyparrish1976@gmail.com to schedule your appointment.



Bocanegra Painting, LLC. • High quality, affordable painting by licensed and insured local company. Services include interior and exterior painting, popcorn ceiling removal, wood rot repair, cabinet refinishing and stains. We do the job right the first time with a hardworking crew and attention to detail. Our highly satisfied customers can be found in the Landings and surrounding island communities. Ask your neighbors and check out our reviews on NextDoor and Facebook. References available. Call Jorge Bocanegra for a free estimate at 912.212.6379 or email at BocanegraPainting1@gmail.com.

PERSONAL HOME TRAINER



MOTIVATED TO MOVE - SENIOR FITNESS • with Coach Michael Cohen - Safe, In-home or Virtual Personal Training Sessions designed to help keep you moving. Michael Cohen, Olympic Coach and Olympic athlete brings his 50 plus years of expertise to your home. Specializing in fitness for all ages, helping to improve balance, agility, posture, strength, and coordination. Michael can customize an exercise program to meet your specific needs, allowing you to remain active and maintain independence. Licensed, Certified, Insured and Background Screened. 912-663-5833 or email: CohenWeightlifting@aol.com

PETS

The Skidaway Cat Alliance Team has cats and kittens currently being fostered that are available to new, loving homes. If interested in adopting, fostering, or volunteering, please contact skidawaycats@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/skidawaycatalliance team

Peaceful Pets • Planning a trip out of town? Or do you work long hours and need someone to take your pet out for a restroom break? Peaceful Pets is a Pet Sitting Service that can do this. I offer affordable rates and overnight visits. Call 912.707.1707 for pricing, www.peacefulpetsavannah.com.

TREE SERVICES

Treemaster, Inc. • We offer these services for all of your tree needs: trimming, pruning, and removal. We also offer stump grinding. We're bonded and insured. 24-hour emergency service. We accept all major

credit cards except Discover. We are the sister company of Grassmasters, owned by Landings residents, Mike and Diane Schuman. Call us at 912.598.0140.



SavATree and Downey/Evergreen Tree Service have joined forces to serve Savannah area communities. Our team of professional arborists provide environmentally sensible tree and plant health care programs to keep your landscape safe, beautiful, and thriving. We take pride in helping our customers find the most appropriate solutions for their tree issues, whether they require diagnosis and treatment, pruning, or removals. We're proud to be servicing commercial and residential properties in Savannah and along Coastal Georgia. For a complimentary consultation, get in touch with us today. Call: 912.455.5041 Email: savannah@savatree.com Visit: savatree.com/consults

WINDOW CLEANING



Soap on a Rope • Power washing, window cleaning and more. Local, professional, personable, and fully insured. Voted Savannah's best 2018, and 2019! From homes to high-rises. 912.233.1544 soaponaropeinc.com

Check us out ONLINE!
At home or away, you're never far from **The Skinnie!**
Visit us at www.TheSkinnie.com.

Look for The Skinnie Magazine on Facebook and Instagram: News, updates, special deals, and Wild Thing Wednesdays.

C	A	S	A	K	A	R	M	A	S	A	S	E		
O	R	E	L	I	L	I	A	D	I	C	E	D		
P	I	G	I	N	A	P	O	K	E	L	A	C	Y	
T	E	N	S	E	T	E	S	T	K	I	T	S		
S	L	O	T	H	S	S	T	O	P					
		R	O	A	N	E	R	U	P	T	S			
H	A	M	B	U	R	G	E	R	T	R	O	O	P	
O	L	E	O	T	A	R	A	S	B	S	O	I	R	
K	O	D	A	K	P	O	R	K	B	E	L	L	Y	
E	T	E	R	N	E	L	E	I	A					
		S	E	L	A				S	M	I	L	E	S
P	O	T	H	E	A	D	S		B	R	A	V	E	
O	T	O	E		P	E	T	U	N	I	A	P	I	G
E	T	T	A		S	L	I	M	Y	N	I	T	A	
M	O	O	D		E	E	R	I	E	I	S	A	R	

EGRETS

WE'VE HAD A FEW!

More than a few, actually. Hardly a week goes by here at The Skinnie that we don't receive an email featuring an image of an egret on a marsh, or a heron on a lagoon, or some form of waterfowl. It's created an unfortunate backlog, so we thought we'd take care of that in one fell swoop.



These three images were sent in by Dick Prior (top left), Judi Painter (bottom left), and Maria Fernandez (above).



Right: Michael Welsh shared this image of an adult tricolored heron

Below: Karen Dove Barr found this Great Blue and her babies nesting near Bartram lagoon.



Above: A juvenile night heron from Bob Guanti

Right: Photo by Al Townsend



When Elizabeth found out she was pregnant with twins she was ecstatic x2. But she was worried about the increased birth risks. She was referred to Dr. Carmela Pettigrew and the dedicated team at the Mary Telfair Women's Hospital.



DELIVERING GOOD NEWS IN TWOS.

Elizabeth Bremer - Savannah, GA

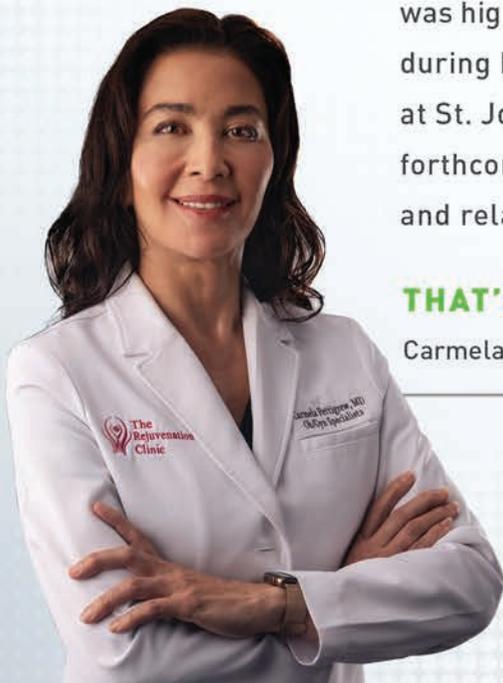


The OR team at the Telfair BirthPlace knew Elizabeth

was high risk, so their attentive nature was comforting to Elizabeth during her delivery. "The staff at Mary Telfair Women's Hospital at St. Joseph's/Candler were very welcoming, professional and forthcoming, which I very much appreciated. They kept me calm and relaxed when the twins came four weeks early!"

THAT'S WHY I CHOOSE ST. JOSEPH'S/CANDLER

Carmela Pettigrew, M.D. - OB/GYN



SJCHS.ORG

