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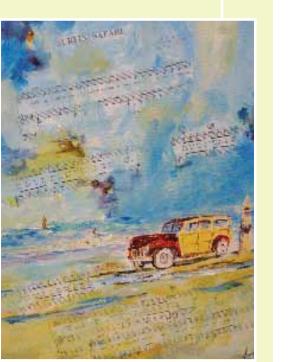


Know their favorite song and Tom will make you an original gift for anyone that loves music! Please stop by Things A Drift at 406 Long Beach Blvd., Ship Bottom, to meet Toms James or call 609-361-1668 for a schedule. Tom will be at the art show Oct. 3, 11 am to 3 pm.

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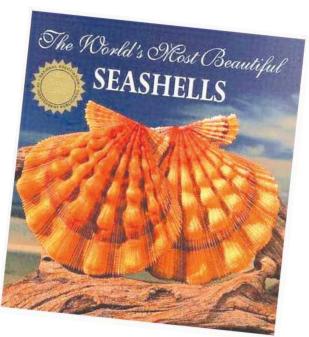


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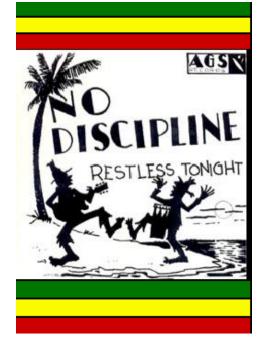
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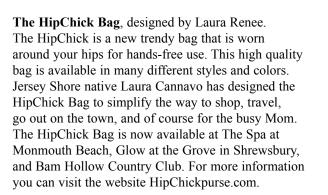
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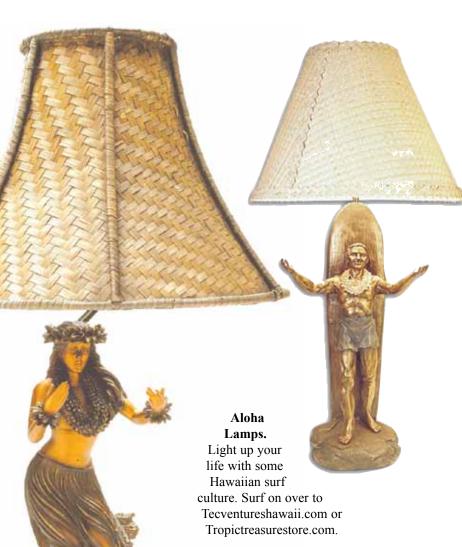


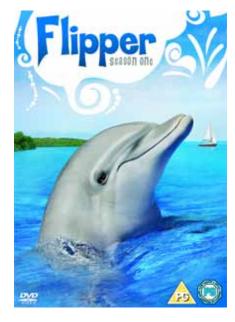
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I f Manasquan is to the north, Bay Head to the south, Brick to the west and Ireland to the east — (Ireland? Yes, Ireland) where would you be? Point of course. Beautiful Point Pleasant Beach, on the Jersey Shore. It was from the south, past Bay Head, that Captain Henry Hudson and his crew sailed northward on his ship, the *Half Moon* on Sept. 2, 1609. Interestingly, a crewman named Robert Juet kept a journal and penned these words in describing this beautiful stretch of beach: "This is a very good Land to fall with, and a pleasant Land to see." History buffs can enjoy the full text on Pointpleasanthistory.com.

Today, some hundreds of years later, Point Pleasant Beach

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Beauty contest in the 1954 Big Sea Day on Jenkinson's Beach. A Taylor Photo Service card. Beauty contest in the 1954 Big Sea Day on Jenkinson's Beach.

> is indeed a pleasant land, a thriving tourist destination offering plenty of attractions, shopping, live entertainment, and one of the most well-known beach and amusement park meccas along the shore — in fact, every kid within a 60-mile radius is probably begging their parents to go to Jenkinson's right now! Jenkinson's boardwalk attraction has come a long way from its 1920s pavilion that featured a candy shop, soda fountain and refreshment stand. Today you'll enjoy a family-friendly amusement park with more than 20 rides and a beautiful boardwalk offering a wide range of activities in a setting with a sweeping view of Point Pleasant Beach. The "Fun House" will surely beckon you with its flashy, atten-

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tion-grabbing facade. Filled with mazes, trick mirrors, moving floors and a slide, this major attraction proved to be highly popular, as it brought back some of the nostalgia of amusement parks of yesteryear. Kids of all ages will definitely want to visit Jenkinson's amusement park on Tuesdays at noon and Fridays at 5 p.m., when \$15 will get you six hours of unlimited rides. Feast on pizza, hot dogs and grilled chicken sandwiches at the food court or sit down to a full-service dinner at the Pavilion Restaurant ... your dining choices are virtually endless. At night, the boardwalk comes alive with musical entertainment and tropical themed bars — check out Martell's Tiki Bar and Jenks Club for live bands, DJs and drink specials every night. Southside Johnny & The Asbury Jukes will play at Martell's Tiki Bar on Aug 31st & Sept 1st. Order your \$25 tickets online now at http://www.tikibar.com/pages/onlinetickets.html. But some say the biggest attraction of Jenkinson's is the aquarium. Open year round, every day from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., this state-of-the-art aquatic facility filled with penguins, seals, sharks and alligators offers both education and recreation through various exhibits, activities, special events and workshops.

Point Pleasant beaches offer some of the best swimming, surfing and fishing, but you'll need to know where to go. Swimmers will want to look for the private beach areas with lifeguards on duty. Public beach areas are "swim at your own risk," so you'll want to find the green flags, indicating a "go ahead, no warnings" swim zone. At the north end of the boardwalk you'll find Manasquan Inlet which offers some of the finest spots for boating and fishing. Fishing has become extremely popular as this area producing a wide variety of bluefish, striped bass and fluke. Surfers will also want to head north and gather at "The Pocket" area of the Manasquan Inlet for the most exciting waves. And the really adventurous water-sports aficionados will appreciate the challenge of scuba diving, surf kayaking and parasailing as they are all enjoyed here in the waters off Point Pleasant Beach.

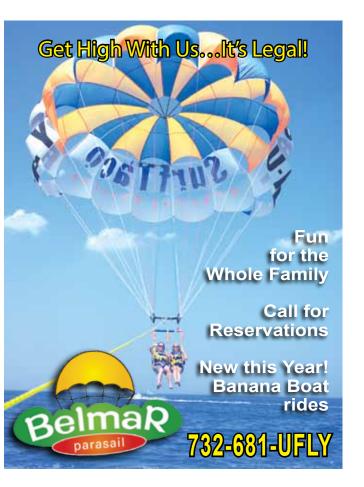
While PPB hosts a plethora of summertime events, the annual Festival of the Sea is by far the most popular, as local restaurants and vendors enjoy the opportunity to satisfy visitors of all ages with a splendid array of food, delicacies, crafts and musical entertainment. Plan to visit on Sept. 19 for an end-of-the summer gathering that promises to satisfy your appetite for good food and great summer bargains.

And speaking of great bargains — if you love antiques, you'll love shopping in Point Pleasant Beach. From chic to shabby, you can find nearly anything you want at any one of the many beautiful and unique shops along Ocean Ave., Bay Ave., Arnold Ave., and Highway 35. For a great selection of planters, and for all things global, you'll want to spend some time wandering around Globetrotter, right on 35..you never know what treasures vou may find there.

After just one visit to Point Pleasant Beach you will see why it earned a spot on the 2008 New Jersey Top 10 Beaches Contest. For a full event schedule and more, go to Pointpleasantbeach.com. — Meg Young •

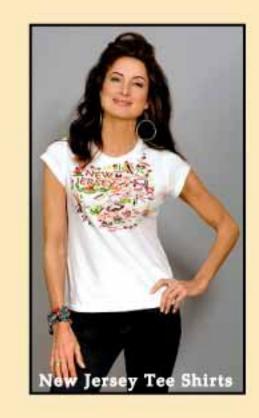


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teve Tichenor is as smooth on a wave as his voice is heard in many well-known TV and radio commercials. And he fits both the love of surfing and knack of voice-overs in when he's not busy running his Clam Hut restaurant in the Highlands.

"I was looking to do my own thing after 20 years of working at Bar A," said Steve. "I came up here to Highlands and took one look at The Clam Hut over the water with its huge deck and amazing views and I had to take the opportunity. It's a one of a kind place! So we fixed the place up and built the deck bar and we're now in our fifth season."

Steve graduated from Rutgers after studying acting in New York City. He was at the Actors Conservatory for several years. He worked for a few theater companies and loved it, but it was tough to make ends meet. He then started working with a voice over coach. Steve got a TV spot for Crest soon after and he started to roll from there. He now has an agent and has voiced

commercials for such companies as American Express, Marriott Hotels, Sears, McDonalds and Halls cough drops.

Spending time at the ocean and surfing is one way that Steve likes to unwind with his family. He loves the shore and the ocean and it all started at a young age. "My dad took me to the L jetty in Avon when I was a kid. He couldn't get me out of the water. When we moved I went to the Army Camp in Sea Girt. That's when my love of the ocean began. I am happiest when I'm with my family on the beach during the summer. I love hanging out at the beach with my family! When I surf I go to Manasquan Inlet, Bradley Beach, Belmar and Long Beach Island. When my family and I go on vacations, I really like surfing in Mexico and Rincon, Puerto Rico,"

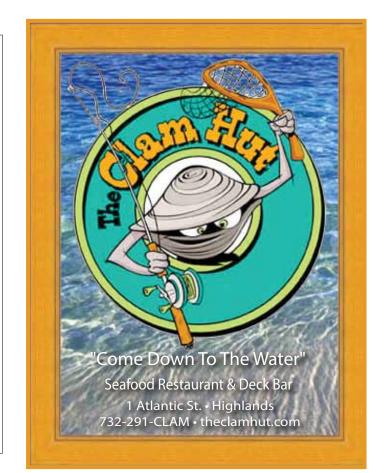
Steve is a member of the Surfrider foundation and he supports Clean Ocean Action. To hear some of Steve's voice-overs check out Stevetvoice.com. To see his Clam Hut gig, check out Theclamhut.com. — Pete Milnes, photos courtesy Steve Tichenor •

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Funny-man Artie Lange enjoys the shore & more

Artie Lange "going coastal'

at his Jersey Shore home.

Pete Milnes photo

ittle did Judy Lange realize that her words of admonishment "What do you mean ✓ you're going fishing? —YOU'RE TOO FAT TO FISH!" would some 20 years later appear on the cover of her son's book, debuting at the #1 spot on the New York Times Best-seller list. At just 41, Artie Lange is an established comedian, radio personality, actor and now successful author. So what is Artie Lange really like? Is he a wild man, living on the edge, partying till the wee hours of the morning, living a lifestyle of wantonness and debauchery? Or is he an ambitious hard-working man with a heart as big as his (sometimes over-the-top) sense of humor, simply doing what he loves to do — telling stories and making people laugh?

New Jersey Shore Life recently met up with Artie, his sister Stacey and his much-talked-about Mom Judy, at his beautiful Jersey Shore summer house, overlooking the crystal blue waters of a tranquil bay, and directly across from a pristine stretch of natural preserved land. Oh, there's Artie on the verandah – half-dressed, unshaven, a beer in one hand and a babe in the other - oops! Sorry, that might have been the old Artie, but nowadays you'll probably find him with a microphone in one hand and a cell phone in the other, juggling a hectic schedule of early morning radio co-hosting on The Howard Stern Show, multiple-venue comedy tours, a whirlwind of book signings all around the country, and a string of talk-show appearances, most notably his recent segment on Joe Buck Live, which guickly earned him both applause and criticism. (Was it so wrong for Artie to suggest that Joe Buck go to a sports website, "for Christ's sake"?? You be the judge ...)

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And so here at the Jersey Shore, Artie finds peace, tranquility, and relaxation ... with a sweeping vista of the open bay, who wouldn't feel sublime? This is the perfect setting to unwind, reflect and renew your commitment to healthy living. Without the addictions and all the drama that goes with them, Artie is free to focus on his career, his writing, and his personal life. He appears happy, comfortable in his own skin, and truly at a place where he can fully enjoy the benefits and rewards of his professional successes.

The first thing you notice about Artie in person — other than his larger-than-life-appearance — is his comfort, ease and ability to make people feel right at home in his presence. In fact, his affable manner can at times make others feel a little too comfortable, as he shares his view about his own celebrity status: "A celebrity like Tom Cruise, they'll stay away from. Me — they come right up to me, 'Hey Artie!' and put me in a headlock." But make no mistake, Artie loves his fans, and just as if he were a proud dad showing off his son's artwork, he was quick to show us the personalized cartoon portrait of himself and Thurman Munson on the baseball field that a devoted fan had made and sent to him.

Clearly, he treasures the bond and connection that he has with his loyal followers. His love of baseball and his love of the Jersey Shore go hand in hand, and have been his passions since childhood. His natural storytelling ability and that sharp-as-atack memory enable him to recite details from his childhood as if they happened yesterday. Baseball fan or not, you will undoubtedly be mesmerized and moved by Artie's recollection of his childhood hero, his father — and the lengths they went to, just to be part of the action on the baseball field. Artie still talks about his father, and the time they spent at Yankee Stadium. Arthur Sr. was Artie's hero, his best friend and his biggest supporter, always encouraging him in the two fields that Artie excelled: baseball and comedy. Later in High School, it would be Coach LeMatty (a.k.a. Gordon LeMatty, of the *Shore Life* family) who would become Artie's coach, supporter, friend and mentor. During our visit, they quickly lapsed into a deep and lengthy conversation — about baseball, of course! When we inquired as to how well they got along back then, Artie quipped, "It was like having George Carlin as your coach!" To which Mr. LeMatty responded, "Well I HAD to try to be funny – I couldn't have anyone funnier than ME on the team!"

They still have an amazing rapport and almost familial camaraderie. Speaking of baseball, we asked Artie about the old and new Yankee Stadiums and whether the old Yankee Stadium is a distraction to him now: "Yes, of course," he said. "I look at it and I feel like 'wow, I'm standing here (in the new Yankee Stadium) with my step-father, and I'm looking over there at my father's grave (the old Yankee Stadium). They should tear that thing down." Insightful observation, as once again, Artie tells it



like it is.

Too Fat To Fish is filled with poignant and very personal essays about Artie's life. His ability to sort of "strip down naked" and show us all his raw emotions — the good, the bad and the ugly — is what makes him so vulnerable, likeable and ultimately relevant today. We always know that with Artie, what you see is what you get. He may be shocking and sometimes controversial, but Artie Lange is as real as they get. He's been said to offend, insult, and ridicule, but at the end of the day, his tell-it-like-it-is style has earned him respect and admiration from not only millions of loyal and devoted fans, but from his fellow comedians as well. With his new sobriety, his new girlfriend (YES he met her at a tanning salon, and NO he doesn't go tanning!), and his new book tour, you could say that this is the "new" Artie — still edgy, still controversial, but still, as always, keepin' it real.

In Artie's own words ...

SL: We love the title of your book *Too Fat to Fish*. Tell us about the incident that led to your mom's now-famous quote.

AL: "I was twenty-something, and pretty wild back then. I was a longshoreman at the time, and my boss asked me to go fishing the next day, so here I am up at 5 a.m. on a Saturday — which was unheard of for me — and my mom looked at me like I was out of my mind when I told her I was going fishing. Now she probably just figured I was hung over and she was worried that I would somehow kill myself out there, so she just started screaming and finally seemed to find a good-enough reason — 'You can't go fishing — YOU'RE TOO FAT TO FISH!' Of course me and my sister still laugh about it to this day. My mother is a sweetheart but she can be a lunatic when she's worried about me."

SL: So you know Howard Stern pretty well ... what can you tell us about him?

AL: "Howard is one of the most ethical and moral people I know ... Honestly. I would even let my sister date him. That's how much I trust him."

SL: Besides that huge jar of Peanut M&Ms I see over there, what other steps have you taken to commit to better, healthier eating habits?

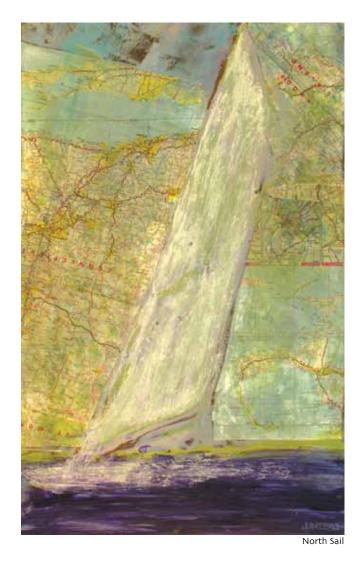
AL: (Laughs). "Actually, I've changed my eating habits a lot. I eat turkey sandwiches now, instead of pizza. And I started running; I run about two times a week now. I feel good; I'm eating better now, running, getting a lot of fresh air."

SL: With your personal life such an "open book," is there anything about you that you think people don't know, and might be surprised to learn?

AL: "I read a ton of books and cry at movies ... and sometimes I even cry at books."

SL: We really enjoyed spending time with you and Stacey and your Mom today, and we thank you for sharing a piece of your personal life with us. Does being here at the Shore bring back some of those cherished childhood memories for you, and would you hope to someday recreate that same happy childhood for your own family?

AL: "100% absolutely yes! The Jersey Shore brings back intense memories that are all positive. Even though it seems more dangerous than it used to be these days, walking down Seaside boardwalk and getting a slice at Maruca's or remembering how much my Mom liked the fried calamari at the BeachComber makes me feel young again." — *Meg Young* •





encaustic shore painter

jim inzero

J im Inzero grew up on Long Island Sound in Connecticut and always knew he wanted to be an artist. "In high school I won several art awards and received scholarships to study at the Maryland Institute College of Art," he said. "There, I studied interior architecture and design and got my first job working for an architect in Baltimore. I worked on historical renovations, college campus master plans and documenting historical buildings to be on the map. On weekends, I worked at a furniture design store, where I met my future wife. She's the one who first introduced me to the Jersey Shore, and it was love at first sight!"

He always wanted to live by the water, that was his passion. They moved to the Jersey Shore in 2001 and opened their first store. Jim did all the interior design and helped his wife with the buying, which meant traveling to shows, meeting artisans, which inspired him to get back into his art. "I worked for a local architect and started making surfboard clocks and frames for the store. I needed to express myself artistically. We traveled a lot during the slow months and on a trip to Mexico, I took an encaustic class. This medium is used with beeswax, damar resin, and powdered pigment. I melt all of these at once and then paint it on with a brush which needs to done quickly before the wax dries. Then once it is on the canvas, I use a blowtorch and a heat gun to move the wax around to get the composition I'm looking for. With encaustic, I could express the colors and beauty of the shore. I've been doing encaustic for several years now and sell my work at our store Stella e Luna, at our new location on corner of Arnold and Bay Ave. in Point Pleasant Beach." Last winter one of Jim's pieces won best in show (painting category) at the Shore Institute of Contemporary Art in Long Branch.

In some of his sailboat pieces (shown above), he embeds local maps into the wax. "My love for sailing comes from the time I spent sailing and racing on the Chesapeake Bay. Living by the water brings out my creativity, the ever-changing water and sky is a constant inspiration. I observe that the colors and textures used in my paintings bring out a definite emotion to the viewer." — *Pete Milnes* •





year-round love at OKS 6 C

he American hippie subculture that formed in the mid-1960s quickly spread around the world and has for decades influenced fashion, music, politics and other aspects of mainstream society. Now, some 40 years later, you can actually step back into a time and place reminiscent of the tie-dyed days of music, creative dress and communal get-togethers.

"With the creation of Hippie Chicks, I found a way to bring the love, happiness and artistry of the hippie lifestyle to an actual place where people can shop, socialize and even sew, while the sounds of the Grateful Dead, or a more modern Barefoot, play in the background, gently soothing your soul," said owner Marilvn Benkert.

Marilyn is a great example of doing what you love and then turning it into a business. Hippie Chicks is indeed an extension of herself and her home. In fact, Marilyn has referred to her shop as her bedroom. "While you won't find beds here, the store abounds with beautiful artistic murals of mushrooms and dancing bears hand-painted by my niece Madison, lots of unique apparel, a sewing table for those impromptu 'Can you sew a bear onto this skirt?' special requests, and a sizable picnic bench, 24 • shore life magazine

offering shoppers a relaxing place to sit, socialize and enjoy the hippie ambiance."

With a plethora of items to satisfy your cravings, from handmade halter tops, skirts, and jewelry made by local artists, to cool and groovy bags, belts and scarves, this is one shopping experience that will leave you coming back for more. "Whether you're a true-blue hippie, a modern-day hippie, or anything in-between, come visit Hippie Chicks and embrace the spirit of peace, love and artistic expression," said Marilyn.

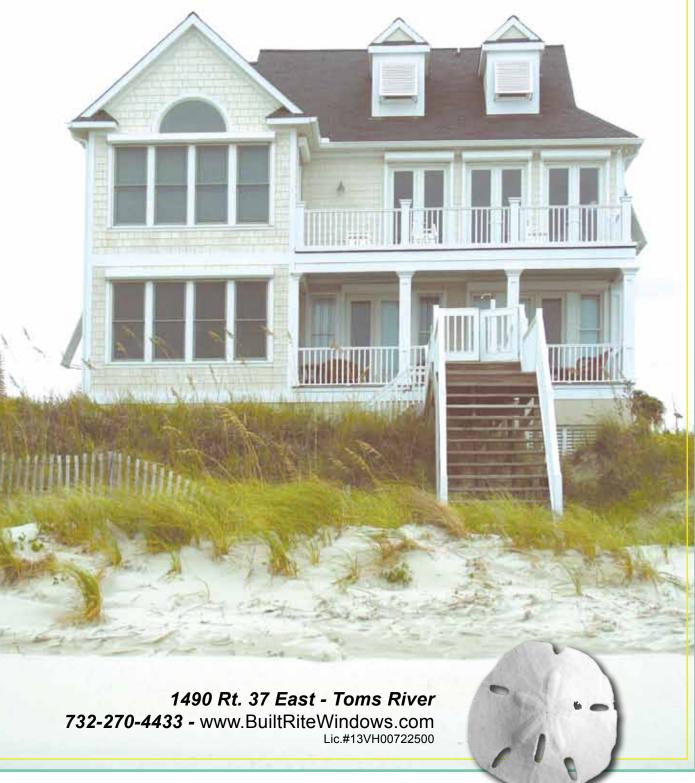
Marilyn & Buddy invite you to visit Hippie Chicks at 1407 Atlantic Av in Manasquan, seven days a week (open late Thursday & Friday) for all your hippie needs. Looking for a fun & groovy Birthday Party idea or special occasion get-together? Inquire about hippie-themed birthday parties, where guests can come dressed in retro style bell-bottoms & headbands, and enjoy crafts like tie-dying T-shirts and making bracelets out of hemp and beads.

"No matter what your age - Peace & Love never go out of style!" Check out HippieChicks.net, coming soon.

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march of the monarchs

onarch butterflies are the most colorful and most beautiful of all butterflies, but there are many more facts about monarch butterflies that the people who have been studying them for years — entomologists, students, and others — have found out.

Did you know that the monarch butterflies that live in North America migrate? Monarch butterflies are the only insect to migrate up to 2,500 miles to get out of the cold weather and hibernate. But not all monarch butterflies migrate; only the fourth generation of monarchs can migrate each year because the first three generations die after about six weeks from escaping their cocoons.

Did you know that monarch butterflies go through four generations each year? The first three generations hatch from their cocoon state (also known as the pupa or chrysalis state) and live for up to six weeks, but the fourth generation continues to live on for up to six or eight months so that they can migrate to a warmer climate, hibernate, and then start a new first generation in the spring time.

Female monarch butterflies have several hundred eggs to lay during their short life in the spring time. Monarch butterfly larvae eat milkweed and they need them to live. Did you know that milkweed plants are being cut down to make roads and houses and the monarch butterfly population is decreasing because of

this? Conservationists are working hard to bring back the milkweeds so that monarch butterflies have a place to live and grow.

Most people think that monarch butterflies only have two life stages, the cocoon and the butterfly stages. But monarch butterflies actually go through four stages in their life cycle. They start out as an egg, then hatch into larvae (a caterpillar), and then wrap up in the cocoon, and then they go through the metamorphosis into a butterfly while they are in the cocoon. Once a monarch butterfly is an adult (after the metamorphosis into a full grown butterfly) it can eat the nectar from any flower, not just the milkweed plant. Only the caterpillars need the milkweed plant to live.

Did you know that monarch butterflies are poisonous? They won't harm humans, but the chemicals from the milkweed plant that they eat when they are in the larvae stage builds up inside of them and gives them a poisonous defense against predators like frogs, birds, mice and lizards.

Do you know how to tell a male from a female monarch butterfly? The male monarchs have a black spot on each of the hind wings over a vein. The female monarch butterfly does not have this spot. Many people think that only the male monarch butterfly is beautiful, but that is simply not true. Every monarch butterfly is beautiful! — Monarch-Butterfly.com •







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JOYride **T**uncle was a crewmember of a B-17 bomber Japanese aircraft. This prevented U.S. pilots and gunners from in England during World War II. Decades mistaking one of our own planes as an enemy. Japanese airlater, his son gave him the gift of a fantasy craft were nicknamed "meatballs," because of the markings. flight in a restored "Flying Fortress," the exact duplicate of A long checkup prior to takeoff ensured that Shore Life pasthe craft he flew in from 1943 to 1945. Until the day he died, senger Chris LeMatty would be ready for any eventuality. The his faced was wreathed in a big smile whenever he spoke of flight suit checked, the pedals and joystick, and yes, opening his Warbird Fantasy flight. and closing the plexiglass cowling in case of emergency. Not

You don't have to be a World War II veteran to enjoy a stimulating simulation of combat acrobatics in the real thing. A short drive to Somerset Airport will place you in the cockpit of a Warbird built in the 1930s. Former US Air Force Lt. Colonel Kevin Russo will take you aboard a lovingly

restored, mint edition SNJ6 warbird. The aircraft was

used as a trainer, bomber and fighter during World War going to do. Not only that, he let me fly the plane after we II. Kevin is a decorated combat pilot, as well as a comwere up in the air for about two minutes. Obviously he was at the controls during most of the acrobatic stuff, but that

mercial airline captain. The aircraft looks as if it belongs in a new car showroom. also gave me the chance to take some pictures. I especially

Every inch of the warbird gleams from the loving care renlove the one I took flying upside down during the barrel roll. dered by Kevin. The manner of the rollout of the aircraft from The toughest one was when we did the loop. I knew about the hanger was amazing. Expecting a tug to tow the plane out G force, but I never expected how it kept me pinned in my seat. Later he explained that we were going to simulate an air on the tarmac, instead Kevin and his young daughter, Spenser, moved behind each wing. They both pushed on the wings and attack on an enemy target. Our "target" was a farmhouse and the plane just rolled out almost effortlessly, almost easily as we went into a dive firing at the house, and pulling up really walking a bicycle out of a garage. quick so that the plane behind us could continue the attack.

The SNJ6 has been restored to look exactly as it looked when it was first acquired by the U.S. Navy. Even the circular red white and blue star on the fuselage and wings are accurate. Early in 1942, the red ball in the center of the star was removed from all U.S. military aircraft. This change was made because the red ball was the official marking on all



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TOD & above right. John Baert Dhotos

living it

so comforting was pilot Kevin's query: "Did you eat any breakfast, Chris?" The thunderous roar of the 600 horsepower engine during takeoff had everyone at Somerset airport watching Colonel Russo's gem rise to fight.

Here are some after comments from Chris, the co-pilot ... "I loved it! Colonel Russo explained everything we were

The trip was really fun! It was a great experience that I will remember the rest of my life!"

For more info or to sign up for your own Warbird Fantasy Tour call 877-868-3926 or log on at Warbirdtours.com. - Gordon LeMatty •

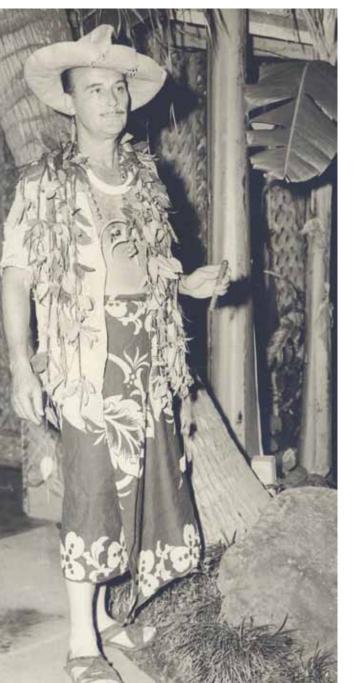


Left: Chris manages two quick picts during his wild ride Above: Kevin Russo preps Chris for his joy ride. Gordon LeMatty photo.

culture



 \approx undisputed founder of tiki culture, father of Polynesian pop \approx \approx host to diplomat & beachcomber, prince & pirate \approx \approx mai tai cocktail creator \approx guilty of hijinks \approx



nybody who knows anything about tikis, tropical rum drinks, Hawaiian and Polynesian pop culture, hijinks (boisterous merrymaking and unrestrained fun) has heard of Donn Beach. In fact, you may even know a neighbor who thinks he is a.k.a. Donn the Beachcomber. But the real deal was the real deal. Born in 1908 as Ernest Raymond Beaumont Gantt in Texas, he was raised mostly by his grandfa-

ther who spent much their time sailing

around the Caribbean aboard his boat. "Grandpappy taught me at an early age the difference between work and play, and he also taught me how to put the two of them together to make money. Of course, that included playing

practical jokes along with the fine art of pleasuring women. Sailing the Caribbean with my Grandpappy and roaming the streets of the French Quarter in New Orleans by myself seemed only natural. But it was the travel that had me hook,



line and sinker. I lusted for other islands far away. Islands I had only heard tales of from sailors and drunks when Grandpappy and I would reach a new port, or sit in one of those old, broken-down bars Grandpappy loved in Haiti or Havana," wrote Donn.

After his grandfather passed away in the 1920s, Donn's love and passion for the island life lured him to exotic Pacific islands, that were much talked about by his grandfather. He travelled to Hawaii, Tahiti and Bora Bora to name a few during the 1940s. Shortly afterwards, he managed a small stint in World War II in the Pacific and was in put in charge of recreation and food for soldiers. After his Army service and during the early 1950s, he changed his name to Donn Beach, a.k.a. Don the Beachcomber. He now had two ingredients — exotic travels and entertaining people

- that he would combine to become a Polynesian-style restaurateur and mixologist, inventing nearly 80 tropical rum drinks (including the Mai Tai, zombie, Navy Grog, Missionary's Downfall and Tahitian Punch), and opening Don the Beachcomber restaurants in Honolulu, Hollywood, Las Vegas and Chicago, where his patrons were entertained with tiki music, dances and Polynesia food and of course --- potent, rum-laced tropical drinks. Donn eventually settled in Waikiki where he died in 1989, but his legacy lives on in tiki restaurants around the world. Check out Blog. humuhumu.com for more about Donn and tiki culture. - Pete Milnes •

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urricanes are among the most destructive natural forces on the L planet. They can include high winds, flash flooding, storm surges and tornadoes. While some advance warning is usually available, hurricanes often change their paths and levels of severity. Having an emergency family plan and staying up to date on weather alerts are essential actions to ensure your family makes it safely through the hurricane season. Before the storm:

- Create a family evacuation plan and an emergency supplies kit.
- · Create and practice a family communication plan in case you are separated. Keep in mind phone lines and cell phone towers may be down.
- Install straps or clips to secure your roof to the frame structure.
- Make sure surrounding trees and bushes are well trimmed and maintained.
- Have supplies available to board up your windows or install permanent storm shutters.

When the storm hits:

• Bringing outdoor furniture inside and

- board up or shutter the windows. • Draw a supply of water for household
- purposes. • Turn your refrigerator to the coldest set-
- ting and keep the door closed. • Turn off utilities if told to do so.
- Listen to the radio or TV for more information and further instructions. If you are told to evacuate:
- Never ignore an evacuation order. Follow instructions regarding times and routes.
- Take only essential items and your emergency kit.
- Turn off gas, electricity, and water; disconnect all appliances.
- Make sure your car's gas tank is full.
- Do not walk in moving water.
- Do not drive in high water (as little as six inches can cause a stall or loss of control).
- Follow the designated evacuation plan and expect a high volume of traffic. If you are told NOT to evacuate:
- Stay tuned to emergency stations on TV or radio; listen for further instructions.
- Prepare to evacuate to a shelter or neighbor's home if your home is damaged.

• Stay away from windows and doors by seeking shelter in a bathroom or basement. • When the eye of a hurricane passes, it is calm for a while but does not remain that way. Do not go outside until officials say it is safe.

After the storm:

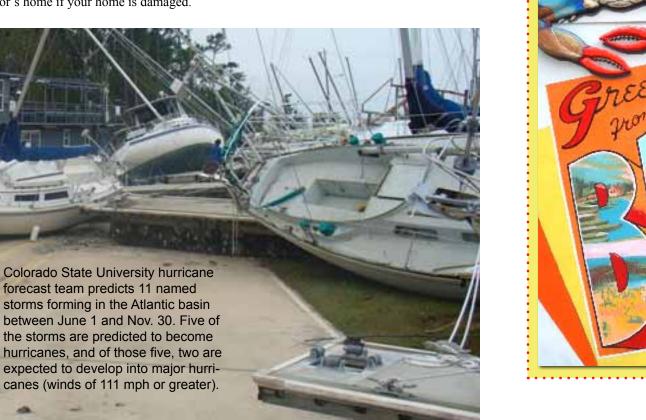
· Listen to news reports to make sure water supplies are not contaminated. • Avoid standing or moving flood waters. They may be contaminated or deeper than expected.

• Be aware of downed power lines.

• Avoid untested roads where flood waters have receded. They may have weakened and could collapse under the weight of a car.

• Be extremely cautious when entering buildings and homes. There may be unseen damage.

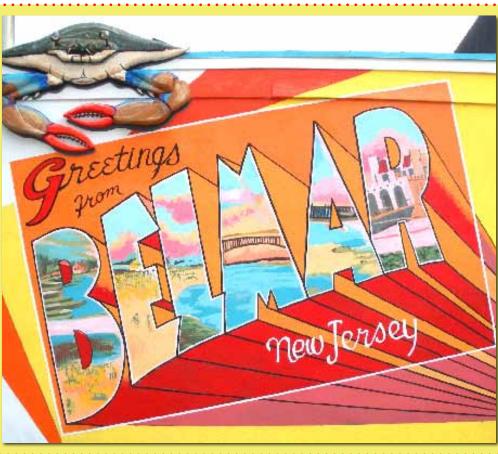
- Clean and disinfect everything touched by flood water, which can contain sewage and other contaminants.
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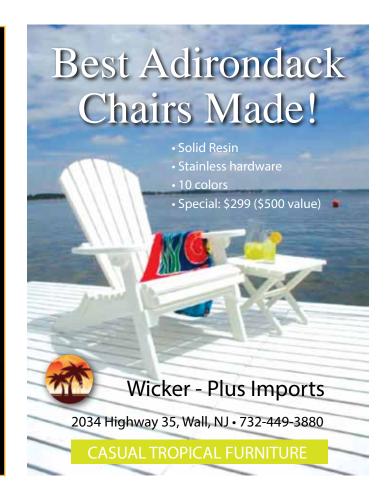


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Antiques by the Atlantic Sat. Sept. 26, Taylor Pavillion, 5th & Ocean 10-4:30

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For a complete list of events, visit www.Belmarnj.com

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op's Garage on Asbury Park Boardwalk is a Mexican eatery in the form of a taquería, that offers authentic Mexican cuisine — inspired by the cuisine of popular surf towns like Sayulita, Mexico. Homemade mole sauce, fabulous Ceviche appetizers and Cuban-grilled Jersey corn are all staples of Pop's authentic culinary experience. Pop's boardwalk location makes it an ideal spot to enjoy a delicious carne asada taco or vegetable burrito while taking in the sun-soaked sites of Asbury Park's beaches! Call 732.455.3275 for info or surf on over to Langostalounge.com ...

TACOS \$3:50 (2 for \$6) Pescado, Pollo, Cuban Pork, Chorizo Camarones & Ajo, Vegetarian (white beans & greens), Carne Asada. Taco Entrée Includes- Choice of 2 tacos with rice and beans \$10

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Side of Homemade red or brown Mole \$1 *traditional mole does contain peanuts*

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New Jersey native Marilyn Schlossbach owns three restaurants on the Jersey Shore: Labrador Lounge, Pop's Garage & Langosta Lounge (Langosta located on Asbury Park Boardwalk). Inspired by extensive travels and culturally infused cuisine, the self-taught chef endeavors to enrich the lives of others with inventive dishes, eclectic eateries and grassroots

community outreach. For more on Marilyn and her

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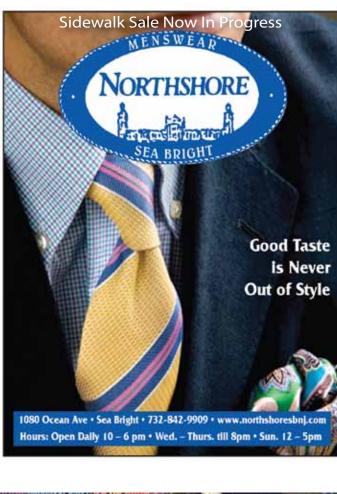
"Bring a Swimming Fish to the beach and stick it in the

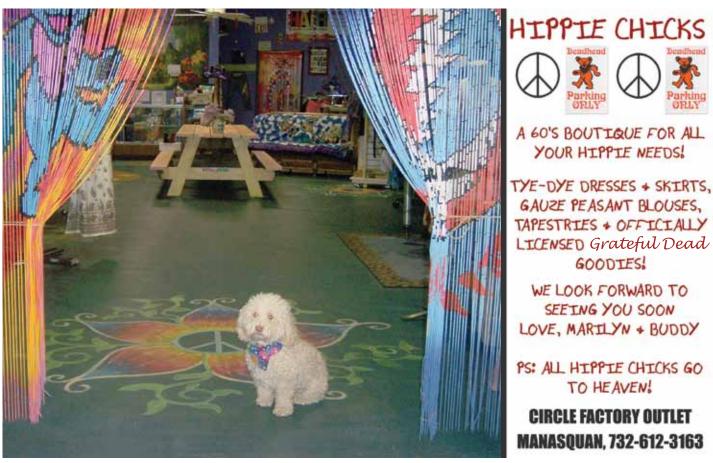
here is something very magical about kites, wind socks and spinners gently flowing and moving in the breeze," said Jeanne Merry, owner of Cobra Kites in Toms River. "It is an ageless experience. Whether young, old or in between, people just stop what they are doing, and smile when they see them. Folks will visit our shop and recount stories of the memories that were made as child when they first flew a kite, and now they are going to do the same for their children or

grandchildren. And the Swimming Fish are amazing! They always turn and face into the wind, and look so lifelike moving in the breeze. Even if there is no wind, they keep their shape, gently swimming. Add another one to them and they begin to look like a colorful school swimming, beside the pool, marking your beach area, or just to decorate the yard

sand next to your camp. Watching it is as much fun as flying a 1111111

kite!" said Jeanne. "Myself and my husband Ray have been in the kiting industry since 1972. Our shop is packed with kites of all sizes and for all interests, along with the Swimming Fish, wind socks and wind spinners. We are open all year, and are located in Toms River at 2608 Route 37 East." For directions, or more wind fun, check out their site at www.cobrakites.com - Pete Milnes •







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LICENSED Grateful Dead



pirate code was a code of conduct invented by various pirate crew and captains of each vessel providing rules for discipline, division of stolen goods and compensation for pirates injured in battle. Below is Bartholomew Roberts' pirate code, a very successful British pirate who captured more than 470 ships during his time — many more than infamous bad-ass pirates like Blackbeard or Captain Kidd! *I.* Every man has a vote in affairs of moment; has equal title to the fresh provisions, or strong liquors, at any time seized, and may use them at pleasure, unless a scarcity (not an uncommon thing among them) makes it necessary, for the good of all, to vote a retrenchment.

II. Every man to be called fairly in turn, by list, on board of prizes because, (over and above their proper share) they were on these occasions allowed a shift of clothes: but if they defrauded the company to the value of a dollar in plate, jewels, or money, marooning was their punishment. If the robbery was only betwixt one another, they contented themselves with slitting the ears and nose of him that was guilty, and set him on shore, not in an uninhabited place, but somewhere, where he was sure to encounter hardships.

III. No person to game at cards or dice for money.

IV. The lights and candles to be put out at eight o'clock at night: if any of the crew, after that hour still remained inclined for drinking, they were to do it on the open deck

V. To keep their piece, pistols, and cutlass clean and fit for service.

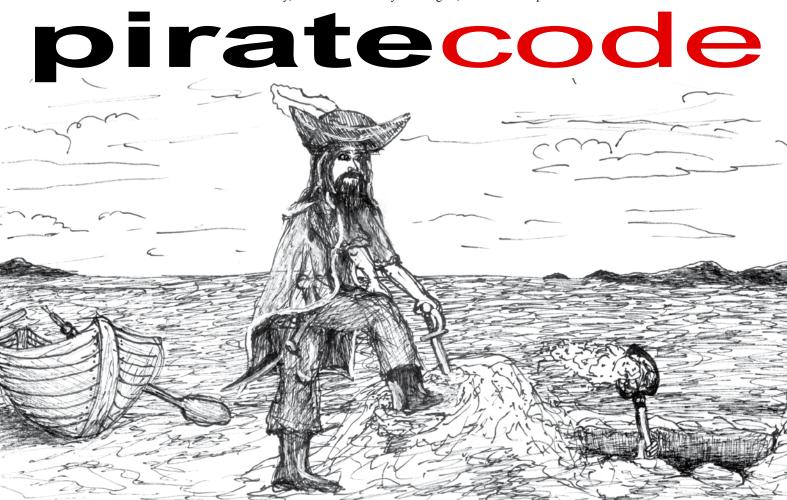
VI. No boy or woman to be allowed amongst them. If any man were to be found seducing any of the latter sex, and carried her to sea, disguised, he was to suffer death;(so that when any fell into their hands, as it chanced in the Onslow, they put a sentinel immediately over her to prevent ill consequences from so dangerous an instrument of division and quarrel; but then here lies the roguery; they contend who shall be sentinel, which happens generally to one of the greatest bullies, who, to secure the lady's virtue, will let none lie with her but himself.)

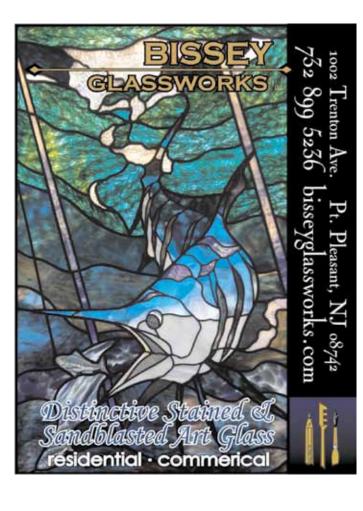
VII. To desert the ship or their quarters in battle, was punished with death or marooning.

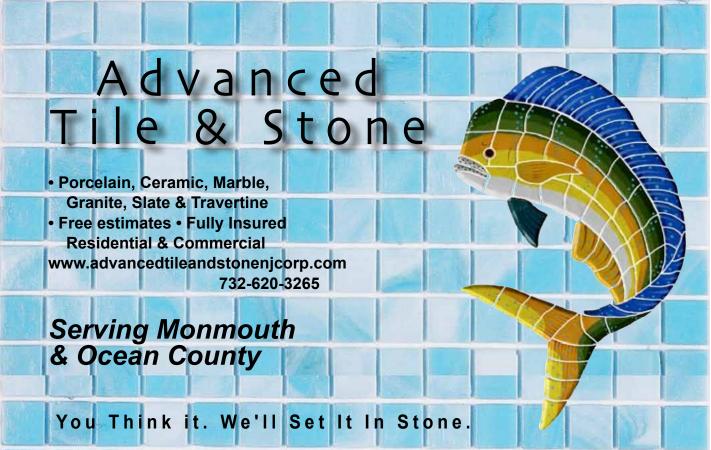
VIII. No striking one another on board, but every man's quarrels to be ended on shore, at sword and pistol. (The quarter-master of the ship, when the parties will not come to any reconciliation, accompanies them on shore with what assistance he thinks proper, and turns the disputant back to back, at so many paces distance; at the word of command, they turn and fire immediately, (or else the piece is knocked out of their hands). If both miss, they come to their cutlasses, and then he is declared the victor who draws the first blood.)

IX. No man to talk of breaking up their way of living, till each had shared one thousand pounds. If in order to this, any man should lose a limb, or become a cripple in their service, he was to have eight hundred dollars, out of the public stock, and for lesser hurts, proportionately. *X.* The captain and quartermaster to receive two shares of a prize: the master, boatswain, and gunner, one share and a half, and other officers one and quarter.

XI. The musicians to have rest on the Sabbath Day, but the other six days and nights, none without special favour.









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August

15 - Asbury Park Clearwater Festival, Asburyparkchamber.com

19 - Atlantic City, "Thunder Over The Boardwalk" Airshow. Atlanticcitynj.com

23 - Atlantic City Jimmy Buffett and the Coral Reefer Band, Atlanticcitynj.com

29-30- Cape May Seafarers' Weekend 609-898-2300, hcsv.org

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29-30 - Asbury Park Food & Music Festival Asburyparkchamber.com

31 - Wildwood Irish Pipe & Drum Brigades Monday, Wildwoods Boardwalk

September

4 - Wildwood. Labor Day Fireworks On the beach, Pine Avenue

5-6 - Allaire Village, Jazz It Up Wine & Food Festival, Newjerseywines.com

6-7 - Sea Bright, 5th Annual Sea Bright Skim Bash Weekend, 732-598-6029

7 - Waretown, 29th Ocean County Bluegrass Festival 609 971-1593, Alberthall.org

8-11, Manahawkin, Battle of Cedar Ridge Reenactment, Patriotpirates.com/events

12 - Island Heights, Island Heights Sailfest Tomsriverrotary.org

12 - Jersev Citv Oyster Gardening Liberty State Park Interpretive Center, 201-915-3409

13 - Seaside Heights Seafood in Seaside seasideheightstourism.com

12-13 - Tuckerton 10th Annual Antique & Classic Boat Show, 609-296-8868

14 - Belmar White Night Chef's Classic 6-9. Belmarchamber.com

16 - Atlantic Highlands, 36th Annual AHHS Arts and Crafts Festival, 732-708-9811

19 - Sea Girt, Irish Festival At Jersey Shore NJshoreirishfestival.com

19 - Point Pleasant Beach. Festival of Sea. www.pointchamber.com

19, 20, 21 - Stone Harbor, Wings'n Water Festival, Wetlandsinstitute.org

19-24 - Cape May, 13th Annual Cape May Food & Wine Festival. 609-884-5404

20 - Belmar. Divers Two Annual Underwater Cleanup, www.diverstwo.com

23-24 - Tuckerton, Ocean County Decoy & Gunning Show, Oceancountygov.com

26 - Highlands Twin Lights Bike ride Highlandsnj.com

27 - Asbury Park. Ovsterfest Asburyparkchamber.com

30-1 - LBI. Chowder Fest Chowderfest.com

October 1 - Island Beach State Park. Governor's Surf Fishing Contest, State.nj.us/dep/

3 - Wildwood Seafood and Music Festival Atlantic Avenue

3 - Wildwood Thunder on the Beach Monster Truck Race On the Beach Lincoln Avenue

3 - Highlands, 8th Annual Oktoberfest, 732-291-4713 Highlandsnj.com

10-11 - Cape May Cape May Wine Festival, Capemaymac.org

11-14 - Waretown, Annual Pine Barrens Jamboree, 609-971-1593, Alberthall.org

18 & 19 - Chatsworth. Chatsworth Cranberry Festival, 609-726-9237, ww.cranfest.org

18-19 - Atlantic City, Atlantique City Antique Fair, Atlantiquecity.com

18-19 - New Jersey, New Jersey Lighthouse Challenge, 856-546-0514, njlhs.org

24 - Red Bank, Red Bank Film Festival, www.rbiff.com

31 - Asbury Park, Halloween Parade www.cityofasburypark.com

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Toe he'e nalu, or stand up paddle boarding, is the hottest craze in water fitness right now. More and more people can be seen paddling into an ocean wave or on the gentle and shallow bays along the shore.

It's heritage can be traced back to Hawaii and the ancient days of Polynesia. If it dates back that far, why did it take so long for the sport to thrive? The sport benefits athletes with a strong fullbody, or core, workout. Stand up paddle surfing (the term changes from boarding to surfing when you move from flat water to waves) also offers surfers the ability to catch more waves in a set offering a better view of approaching wave sets.

Mark Colino, owner and operator of No Flat Earth surf shop in Brick and Ku Ikaika (stand strong) stand up paddle lessons and fitness, can attest to fun and fitness that comes with stand up paddle boarding. "I started surfing in 1973 and stand up paddling in 2005," said Mark. "I have given surf lessons for the past 25 years and stand up paddling lessons for the last three. The sport isn't so much different as it is a fun combination of surfing & kayaking."

Stand Up Paddling

It's fun & keeps you fit! A hot water sport craze has hit the Jersey Shore, it's origin — Hawaii and ancient Polynesia!

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Marks family are also into the sport. His wife Cheryl and three children, Jordan 14, Noah 11, and Monica 11, all surf and paddle board. "Stand up paddling is for all ages and levels of experience. It works from your nose to your toes. The paddle motion engages your shoulder and arm muscles. The follow through works your abs and obliques. And the whole time your ankles, knees and core are used to stay balanced and upright on the board. You can go at your own pace. Use it as a way to tour or sight see an area, or as a fitness program where you go long, fast and hard. It helps to develop muscular endurance an enjoyable setting. Get out of the gym and learn to walk on water! Being outside and enjoying creation beats being in a smelly gym any day. The combination of cardio & muscle building and the ability to go at whatever pace you choose is a plus. Also the social aspect of doing it with several people at one time makes it very enjoyable.' Those looking for more excitement than fat water paddling can head on over to the ocean and waves. "When stand up paddle surfng in ocean waves, the advantage of already standing allows you to spot the waves long before you would be able to laying down," said Mark. "The extra length and fotation of the board allows the rider to get into the wave early and ride longer. Having to stand and paddle means staying active the whole time, instead of sitting and waiting as in traditional surfng. The best part is that it makes small, mushy waves that would normally not be worth surfng on a traditional surfboard, fun again!

The added fotation enables the rider to catch and ride waves that would normally be not strong enough to push you on a high performance smaller board."

Stand up board (and paddle) prices range from \$600 to \$1500, and most use glass-reinforced plastic construction or epoxy resin. The boards are generally about 10 feet in length. Developed for cruising, cross-training, and small waves, its generous shape accommodates all levels. Surf Industries' stand up paddle boards (a popular brand) are constructed with super durable, NSP E2 epoxy offering hours of trouble free fun. Thier boards come with a built in handle which makes it an easy board to carry around. Surf Industries also developed a range of paddles for use with stand up boards. There are two constructions; carbon (blade, shaft and handle) and fiberglass composite. Contact Mark for questions, sales, rentals or lessons at No Flat Earth in Brick. 732-604-4211, or email him at noflatearth@verizon.net.

— Pete Milnes, New Surf Project photos •

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Is that a fin?

ombining rich historical detail and a harrowing, pulsepounding narrative, Close to Shore brilliantly re-creates the summer of 1916, when a rogue Great White shark attacked swimmers along the New Jersey shore, triggering mass hysteria and launching the most extensive shark hunt in history.

During the summer before the United States entered World War I, when ocean swimming was just becoming popular and luxurious Jersey Shore resorts were thriving as a chic playland for an opulent yet still innocent era's new leisure class, Americans were abruptly introduced to the terror of sharks. In July 1916 a lone Great White left its usual deep-ocean habitat and headed in the direction of the New Jersey shoreline. There, near the towns of Beach Haven and Spring Lake-and, incredibly, a farming community eleven miles inland-the most ferocious and unpredictable of predators began a deadly rampage: the first shark attacks on swimmers in U.S. history.

For Americans celebrating an astoundingly prosperous epoch much like our own, fueled by the wizardry of revolutionary inventions, the arrival of this violent predator symbolized the limits of mankind's power against nature.

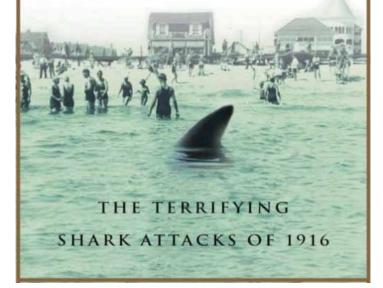
Interweaving a vivid portrait of the era and meticulously drawn characters with chilling accounts of the shark's five attacks and the frenzied hunt that ensued, Michael Capuzzo has created a nonfiction historical thriller with the texture of Ragtime and the tension of Jaws. From the unnerving inevitability of the first attack on the esteemed son of a prosperous Philadelphia physician to the spine-tingling moment when a farm boy swimming in Matawan Creek feels the sandpaper-like skin of the passing shark, Close to Shore is an undeniably gripping saga.

Heightening the drama are stories of the resulting panic in the citizenry, press and politicians, and of colorful personalities such as Herman Oelrichs, a flamboyant millionaire who made a bet that a shark was no match for a man (and set out to prove it); Museum of Natural History ichthyologist John Treadwell Nichols, faced with the challenge of stopping a mythic sea creature about which little was known; and, most memorable, the rogue Great White itself moving through a world that couldn't conceive of either its destructive power or its moral right to destroy.

Scrupulously researched and superbly written, Close to Shore brings to life a breathtaking, pivotal moment in American history. Masterfully written and suffused with fascinating period detail and insights into the science and behavior of sharks, Close to Shore recounts a breathtaking, pivotal moment in American history with startling immediacy. — *Randomhouse.com* •

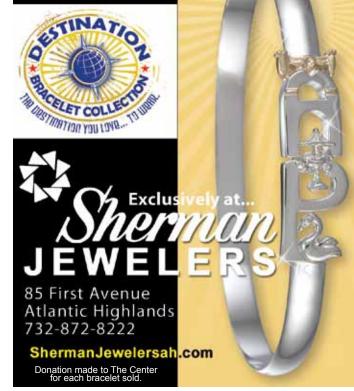
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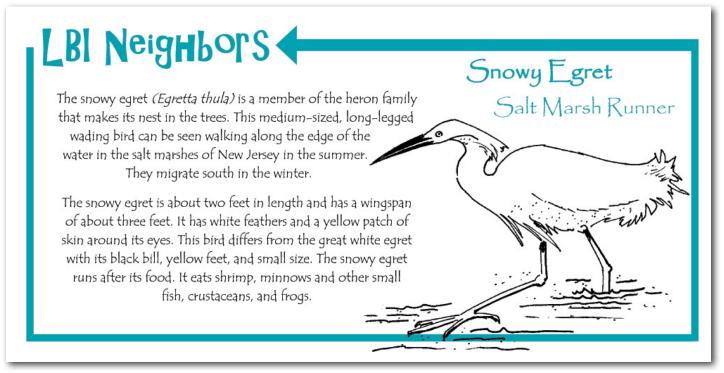
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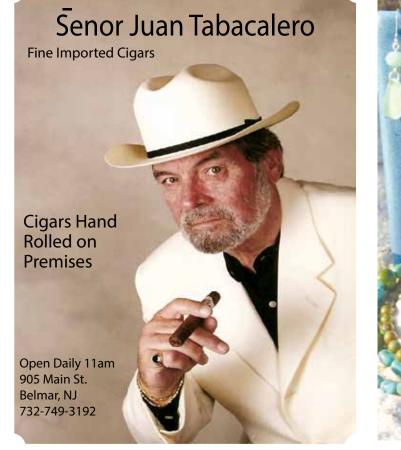
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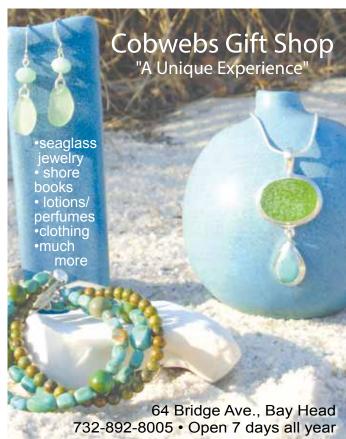
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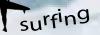


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"Buddha Surfer" Jennifer Steffener shows her students how it's done at one of her surf camps in Costa Rica this year. Ariel Martin photo

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eet Jennifer Steffener. She's a certified massage therapist, Tai Chi, Qi Gong and Healthy Living instructor and owner of Vernon Massage and Wellness. She's also a certified senior-level surf instructor and co-owner (with her husband Lance Tompkins) of Billabong/Coastline Adventures Surfing School.

"I lived in Kauai, Hawaii, as a teenager and young adult and worked in the hotel industry and crewed on a boat," said Jennifer. "I decided to come back home to New Jersey to finish school and get a 'real job.' After the novelty wore off, I realized I was not happy working in a traditional corporate environment."

She then started taking tai chi classes with Master Jou Tsung Hwa to deal with her stressful job and her whole world opened up. "I became a massage therapist and began teaching tai chi. In 1996, I opened Vernon Massage and Wellness in Vernon, N.J. Now I'm hoping to move the business to the shore full time within the next year."

Jennifer is guite the avid water woman and has more than 20 years of ocean, body boarding and 50 • shore life magazine

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surfing experience. She also sails, scuba dives, ocean kayaks. "Surfing and the ocean fulfills me mentally, physically and spiritually. I find surfing to be a life art, similar to my tai chi practice. I LOVE the ocean. I find it to be healing and empowering while simultaneously, humbling. Nature teaches me about respect, beauty and power."

Their surf camps offer women-only and coed adult surf travel trips to California, Hawaii, Costa Rica and El Salvador. The trips include accommodations, most meals with delicious and wholesome foods, surfing equipment, surf instruction and coaching, optional tai chi, qi gong and/or yoga, guides for local sightseeing. Their next trip is in October offering camping and surfing in Southern California. Another trip to Costa Rica is planned for March 2010. Of course they also offer surf camps, private lessons and corporate events for all ages and abilities in Monmouth and Ocean Counties, May through October. Surf on over to their website for a complete calendar and details at www. njsurfschool.com - Pete Milnes •







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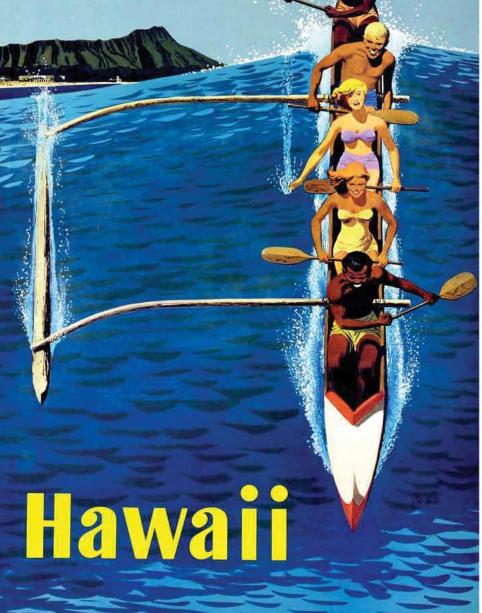




eading to Hawaii? If so there are plenty of things to do other than lounging on a beach soaking up rays (not that there is anything wrong with that). When travelling to Hawaii keep in mind there are many islands and lots to see on aloha land. Like hooking into a zip line canopy adventure tour on The Big Island of Hawaii. The most visited island is the Big Island and is also the island with the most to do such as go on a manta ray night scuba and snorkel tour. Another Hawaiian island to find adventure is Maui where you can do a down-hill bike tour on Haleakala Volcano. Not a biker? You can always go on a pineapple plantation tour and pick your own fruit. Take a tour of Waimea Canyon via the Wailua River. The next island to visit is Lanai which is the least visited. On this island, plan to go on an ATV tour through magnificent forests and valleys. On Molokai Island, try a round of golf — bogies and double bogies don't seem OK while playing in paradise. Travel to Oahu and go to the North Shore for a shark adventure where you can get inches away from sharks. If that's too close for comfort, instead set yourself up in a beach chair with a mixed drink and watch daredevil surfers get tubed at the Pipeline surf spot. Niihau Island, the smallest of the Hawaiian Islands, is located next to Kauai. It is a privately owned island but people can go on a half-day tour there. Now those are some things to put on your bucket list. — Pete Milnes Jr.



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Humpback whales are the most common large whale in our area. Most humpbacks in our area are between 30 and 40 feet long. They are black on the dorsal side, with long, black and white flippers. They often arch (or hump) their backs before diving, which is how they get their name. Humpbacks are often seen from New Jersey beaches in the summer.





Fin whales are the largest normally seen in our area. Most fin whales in our area are between 40 and 60 feel long. They are the only whale with a white right jaw and baleen, and a dark left jaw and baleen. Fin whales have a light chevron pattern stretching from the right side of their mouth across their back.

Minke (sounds like minkee) whales are the smallest of the baleen whales, ranging from 15 to 30 feet long. They are cold water whales, so we normally see them in the winter. Minkes have white bands across their flippers. All of their baleen is white. The easiest way to distinguish minkes from other baleen whales is by their habit of lifting their pointed snout out of the water when they surface.





Right whales are the most endangered of the large whales. They range from 20 to 50 feet long. They are black on the dorsal side, with yellowish bumps, called callosities, on their heads. These callosities are different on each whale, and serve as identification for individual right whales. Right whales migrate from the arctic to the waters off of Georgia each year, so we may see them passing through in the spring and fall.

Pilot whales are more like dolphins than our other large whales. They are black, with large dorsal fins, and range from 10 to 20 feet long. Pilot whales usually travel in pods (schools), and normally come into New Jersey waters in the spring.





Sperm whales, of the Moby Dick variety, are in all of the offshore waters of the world, except the polar ice fields. Sperm whales' heads are up to one third of their body length. As with all toothed whales, they have one blowhole, but unlike other whales, it is on the front and left side of the head. Sperm whales' skin is dark and wrinkled.

Pygmy sperm whales are much smaller than their larger relatives. They only reach about 13 feet in length. Like the larger sperm whales, pygmy sperm whales have teeth only in the bottom jaw, which is small and set back on the under side of the head. These small whales are dark on the dorsal side and white to cream colored on the ventral side. We normally see pygmy sperm whales in New Jersey water in the fall and spring.



At least 15 species of beaked whale exist in offshore waters of all oceans. Generally, they are between 15 and 20



feet long in our area. Most beaked whales have 2 teeth, although females may not have any visible teeth. They have long, obvious beaks, small flippers, small dorsal fins set far back on their bodies, and may have gill-like slits on their throats. Species of beaked whale that have stranded in New Jersey include: Blainville's, Antillean, True's and Goose Beaked.

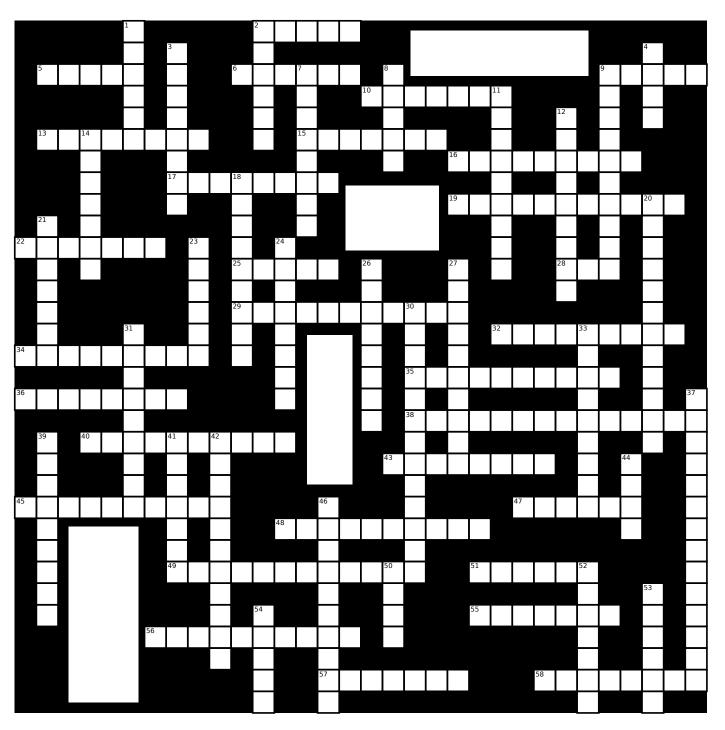
If you see a stranded whale, do not try to get it back into the water. Stranded whales have serious medical problems that need attention. Call the Marine Mammal Stranding Center at (609) 266-0538, or call the local Police, Marine Police, or the Coast Guard.

Artwork by Lynda Rotelle

nterested in the volunteer program at the Marine Mammal Stranding Center? You must come to the centerto fill out a volun-Leer application. You must be at least 18 years of age to volunteer. they do not accept applications by mail or via the internet. Stranding Volunteers must live within 15 minutes of the Jersey Shore. When a stranding occurs on any beach in New Jersey, they call our stranding volunteers in that area. Volunteers will immediately go to the location of the animal where they can "size up" the situation and notify the

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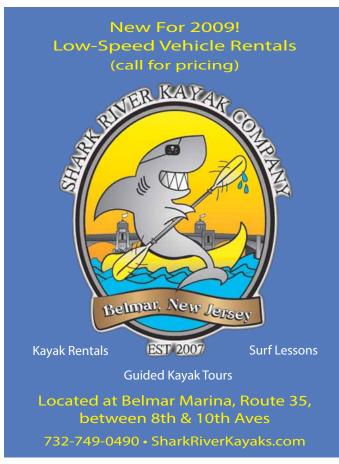
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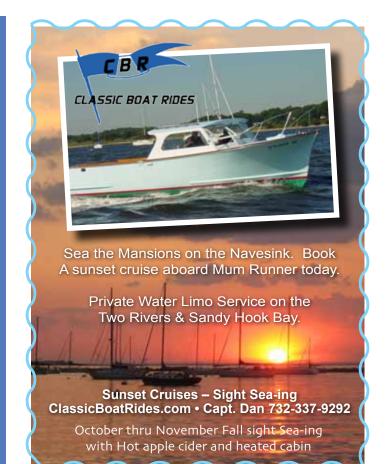


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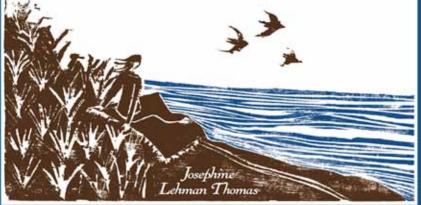


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ne of the most enduringly popular tales, Treasure Island is one of the world's best-loved novels. All the elements of a perfect adventure yarn are here: a lost map and a search for buried pirate treasure; an engaging hero in young Jim Hawkins and a cunning villain in Long John Silver; mutiny and murder on the high seas; and, of course, a safe return to England and a happy ending.

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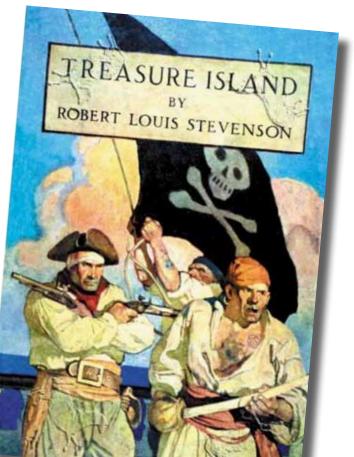
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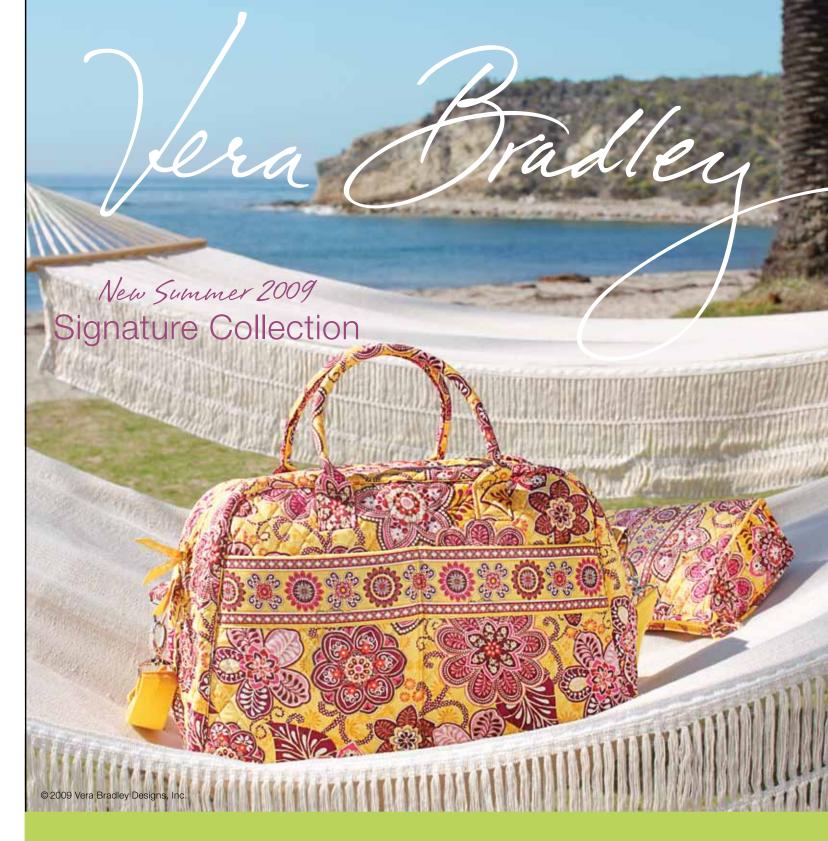
She misses the encounters with power and wealth her career brought her, the comforts and security of their lives

before storms and struggle became the norm.

Yet, they find true happiness. First published during the Great Depression, this timeless story reveals how sacrifice, hardship and trust can create a common bond of love; how there is a deep sense of fulfillment in working together and discovering that, as the author writes "...something much finer was welded between us than we found in the first prosperous days of our marriage."

Beautifully illustrated with traditional woodcuts by contemporary printmaker Julie Goldstein, the story includes an epilogue by New Jersey shore history author Margaret Thomas Buchholz. — *Down the Shore Publishing* •





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Misty Isle — rums blended with liqueur, may fog you up. Pina Passion — heightens the desire! Jungle Fever — throbbing drums & black magic. Smoking Eruption — where there's smoke, there's fire! Native Nectar — nectar of the tiki gods laced with rums. Polynesian Spell — gin & brandy that will put you "under" Pago Passage — full sails topped with champagne. Blue Hurricane — batten down the hatches!

Speaking of storms, have you tried a Dark 'n Stormy?

Not necessarily tiki, this nautical lover's drink tastes great, goes down easy and — what many people claim — leaves virtually no hangover. Wow! Start mixing mixologists! Here's the history & recipe for the national drink of Bermuda – the Dark 'n Stormy.

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lean Ocean Action developed a series of "tip cards" designed to educate distinct groups of people. These cards teach people how they can minimize their contribution to the problem of non-point source pollution or "pointless pollution." Aimed ✓ at specific user groups (drivers, boaters, homeowners, kids) COA has found the cards to be excellent educational tools to broadcast the pointless pollution message. The cards are available for municipalities to reproduce and distribute in town mailings or billings to residents. The cards could also be printed in the community newspaper, or posted in town buildings or community bulle-

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Saturday, October 24, 2009 (9am-12:30pm) Check www.cleanoceanaction.org for updated locations, dates & times.

tin boards. Copies of the individual cards are listed below.

1. Get involved. Join your school's environmental club or an organization in your community. It's fun and you'll help make a difference.

2. Learn and act locally. Visit a local nature center or park to learn about the surrounding environment and its resources. Organize a cleanup of school grounds or a town park, plant a garden, or write letters to elected officials and tell them what you think about your community's environment, or to encourage change.

3. Conserve energy. Walk, ride your bike, carpool, or take the bus to school, local events, or parks. Turn off lights, TVs, and radios when not in use.

4. Conserve water. Take short showers and don't keep the water running while brushing your teeth. If you see a leaky faucet, tell someone who can fix it. Avoid water games that require constant use of running water.

5. Do your duty. Clean up after your pet – scoop the poop (it's the law). Dispose of waste properly, such as flushing down the toilet - but don't flush the bag.

6. Cut down on trash. Use reusable straws, cups, and utensils. Look for products made from recycled paper or plastic. Use both sides of paper to write or print on. Buy products that use less packaging and are reusable, such as refillable pens and pencils, sandwich containers, drink containers, and canvas lunch bags. Refill bottled water containers and use again.

7. Recycle. Recycle items from your school and home, including cell phones, computers, batteries, and ink cartridges at official centers as they may contain toxic metal and materials. Consult with your town's solid waste coordinator. Encourage your school and home to buy recycled paper and other products.

8. Give back to the Earth. Consider planting a tree or wildflowers instead of buying gifts for friends and family. Gifts of nature will never sit in a landfill.

9. "Toxic City" no more. Find out if your school uses Integrated Pest Management (IPM), which uses chemical toxins only as a last resort. If not, encourage your school to do so and visit www.pestmanagement.rutgers.edu. Use environmentally safe cleaning products and organic fertilizers at home.

10. Trash or Treasure? Sell your unwanted items on eBay, find free treasures on www.FreeCycle.org, or donate your items to a local charity. Check out www.earth911.org to find a listing of donation sites in your area. — Clean Ocean Action

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he osprey birds — like al animals — need food, water, protective cover and a sheltered **L** place to nest and breed. However, as the seasons change, winter can transform a favorable environment into an unlivable one where food and water disappear, plant cover vanishes and competition with other animals increases dramaticaly, thus limiting the chance of survival. Wild animals, therefore, face the problem of occupying a habitat that is suitable for only a portion of the year. However, nature has provided methods for coping. One is hibernation, which involves entering a dormant state during the winter season. Another is migration, which involves escaping the area entirely. Due to the power of flight, most birds have adapted to seasonal changes in the environment by migrating. Only one bird, the common poorwil found primarily out west, hibernates. Harsh winters at the Manasquan Reservoir drive birds such as the osprey to migrate to find friendlier conditions. Many migratory birds are remarkably faithful to previous nesting and overwintering places. One of these species, the osprey, has chosen to make the Manasquan Reservoir its home for more than 20 years. One of the largest birds of prey in North America, the osprey has been returning here to breed and raise its offspring since 1988. There are more than 360 nesting osprey pairs in New Jersey according to the 2008 NJDEP Fish and Wildlife Division Osprey report. Spring migrants appear from mid-March to May, with a peak during mid- to late April. But the

ospreys that live at the Manasquan Reservoir return predictably around March 17 every year. There have been as many as five nesting pairs here at the same time. The female osprey stays at the nest during incubation, while the male is constantly providing food for her. On average each pair parents two chicks per year. Ospreys mate for life. But in October, after the breeding season is over, partners wil fly their separate ways for six months and reunite during the next breeding season. Research has shown that the separated parents and chicks from New Jersey will overwinter as far south as the Amazon River. By fitting them with satellite-tracked radio transmitters, researchers found that osprevs from New Jersev nests have wintered from Venezuela and Columbia to Brazil/s Amazon River Basin. This 5,000 mile trip from New Jersey to Brazil is repeated twice a year. To see osprey nests, and to watch the birds fishing (feet first), visit the Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center in Howell. — Monmouth County Parks System •

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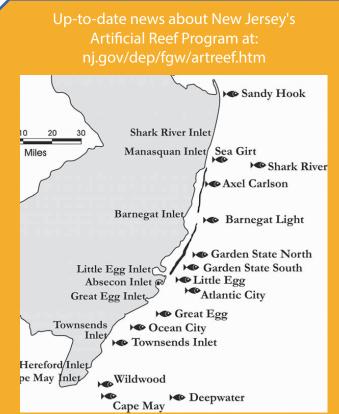


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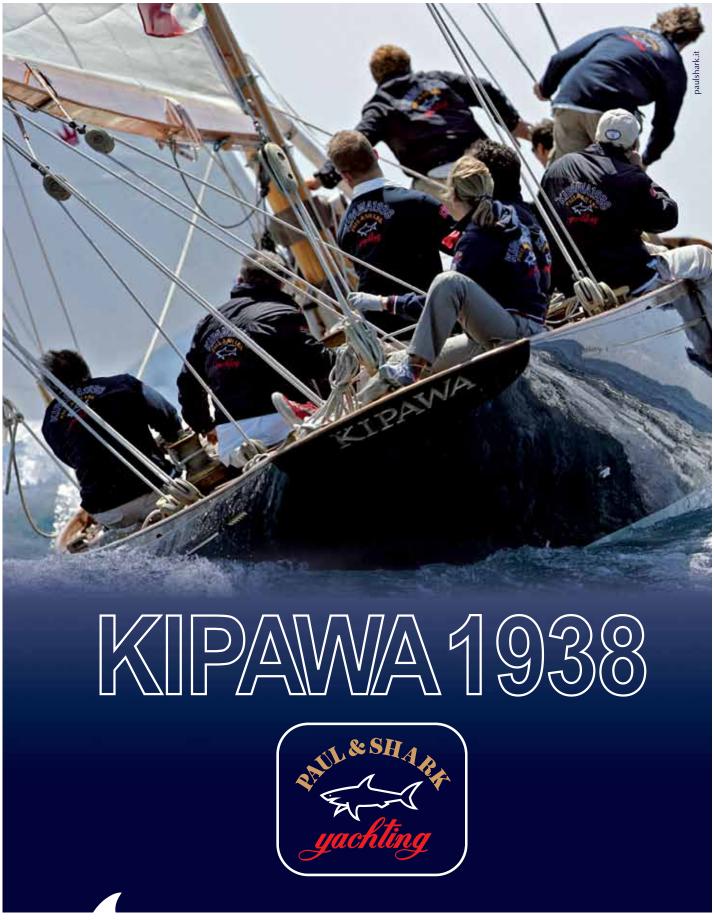












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