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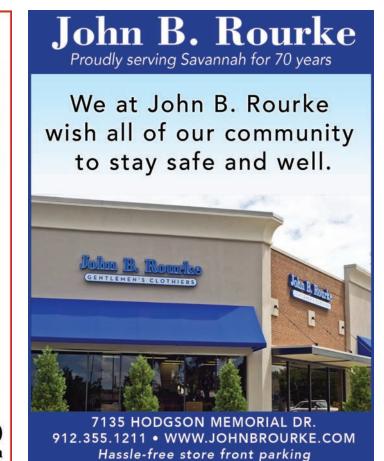


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It takes 12 weeks to make a Marine. So suggests the short version of Parris Island's mission ("We make Marines"). In three months of intensive basic training, the Corps transforms young men and women from vastly disparate backgrounds into Marines. And "transformation" is the right word, at least based on my personal observations (my dad), as there is no such thing as an "ex-Marine." They refer to themselves as "former Marines," while retaining constant connection to the Corps for life.

Boot camp is a form of human reprogramming. The governing institution imposes a level of discipline on its people that is likely more intense than any individual among the group has previously endured. Free will is rescinded. Shared sacrifice and discomfort are employed as character-shaping tools, as naturally as a chisel fits in a sculptor's hand. The experience is often characterized as grueling. Based on the Corps' legacy – successfully developing elite warriors, contrarily imbued with both humility and pride, who are "first into the fight" – the program seems to work.

How the Marines arrived at 12 weeks is a matter of military history, and I'm not inclined to research the matter, but let's consider the significance of the three-month span. In the context of social psychology, can habits be forged from forced repetition? In plain speak: How long does it take to "change" a man (or woman or child)?

Maxwell Maltz, a plastic surgeon working more than half a century ago, noticed a pattern among his patients. He observed that it took about three weeks for a person to get used to looking in the mirror at his new face. Maltz considered his own adjustment periods to new behaviors, and he estimated them at roughly 21 days. In a blockbuster book on behavior change and other topics, Maltz postulated that "commonly observed phenomena tend to show that it requires a minimum of about 21 days for an old mental image to dissolve and a new one to (completely form)."

Maltz's guestimate gained popular footing, and self-help proponents have passed it down to one another (they tend to borrow shamelessly from their peers) for 70 years. "It takes 21 days to form a new habit," has become accepted lore. Maltz's observations were purely anecdotal, though, and he was careful to express his theory as "at least" 21 days, though the at-least part has disappeared from conventional thinking with the passage of time.

Phillippa Lally is a health psychology researcher at University Col-

lege London. She and her team created an experiment to quantify the true length of time humans require to form enduring habits. She published

results in the *European Journal of Social Psychology*, and the conclusions challenge the long-assumed 21 days. In fact, the normative time-span suggested by her data is 66 days – more than two months – with outliers requiring up to 254 days, which is roughly 70 percent of a year.

In Lally's case, behavior-modification focuses on individual desires – a person chooses a thing he or she wants to change. It could be as simple as drinking an extra glass of water every day at noon. Or as challenging as quitting cigarettes or running several miles every morning before dawn. Whatever it is, it's a choice. Boot camp doesn't involve much free-thinking. You don't "choose" to awaken to the sound of a screaming drill sergeant at 4 a.m., or slog through 54 sleep-deprived hours of The Crucible, a brutal smorgasbord of long marches, exhausting physical and mental challenges and combat-like stress.

For Maltz and those who have co-opted his anecdotes, it takes at least three weeks to change in a sustainable way. Says Lally, it's more like nine and a half weeks (which is oddly ironic if you consider the Mickey Rourke/Kim Basinger movie of the same name). Give the Marines three months, and they'll give you a new (and more "squared-away") version of yourself.

In mid-March, things changed for all of us. Some of us lost our jobs. Our days quickly began to duplicate their unspectacular selves. We've been eating together with family at our kitchen tables. We've been taking daily walks. Our own backyard is an oasis, as exotic as a distant beach. Some of the changes are good – we're talking and spending less money and working out often and entertaining ourselves with simple things.

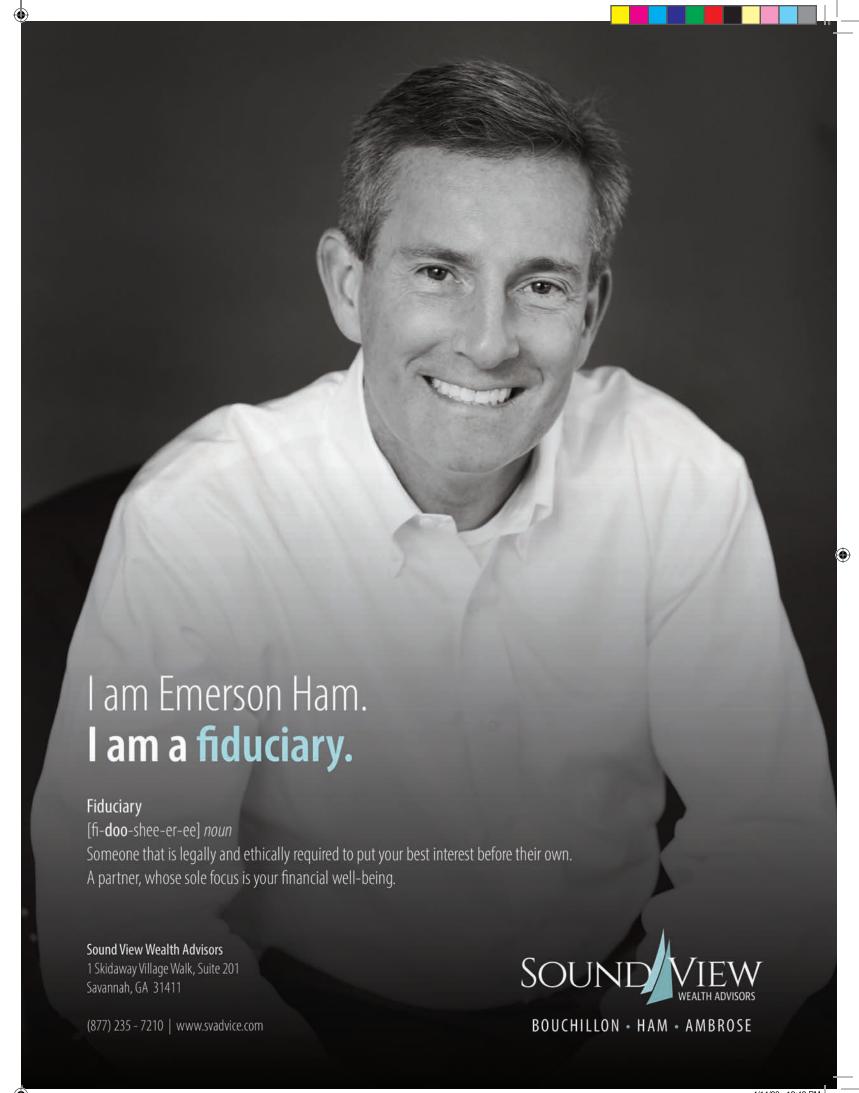
I find the idea of a quick-and-automatic economic recovery to be naïve. If it were so easy and inevitable to get economies back on track, why wouldn't everyone do it any time things go a little south? Does a country like Japan simply "deserve" decades of stagnancy? Is there something in the Argentinian DNA that compels the country to blow itself up – economically – over and over again? There's more to it than printing money ("providing liquidity" in fancy circles) and "opening things up." If it were that simple, everyone with a credit card and a flashing neon sign would be rich.

I can't control a virulent, relentless pathogen or a Treasury Department in a frenzy or the fit of your mask. But I have at least six weeks of homebound simplicity to develop new habits, and according to Maltz and Lally, if not the Marines, it's a long-enough time to make them stick. Does chocolate every noon count as good?

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A Message for Our Community

I find our current world crisis leaves us without the full vocabulary needed to properly describe our circumstances. The human tragedy, health threat, and resulting economic loss is taking an enormous emotional toll on our nation and around the globe.

Meanwhile, for us here at The Landings, a surreal atmosphere exists where the azaleas are blooming, the wisteria hangs in the oak trees, the sky is a crisp blue and Spring has sprung. And, although we are practicing social distancing and our Club has had to close our Fitness Center, pools, dining venues and the like; we are now served by picking up dinner and prepared meals safely at curbside, and can even order groceries at competitive prices to either pick up curbside or have delivered. Golf continues with some extra measures to provide safety while maintaining activity. Our Club as well as the Association have adjusted quickly to serve us in a safe and exemplary fashion.

The big question besides personal and family safety is how long will this last? Like you, after watching too much news and doing a substantial amount of reading, I certainly can't tell you either. What I can tell you is that the first two months of the year were outpacing last year's 20-year home sales record and neither Savannah, nor our island has become any less attractive. Once this settles down and the safety is restored, The Landings Company looks forward to welcoming Discovery Visitors to see for themselves or for a return trip if they've visited us before.

While our office is temporarily closed to honor our civic duty and for the safety of all involved, please know that The Landings Company agents and staff are working just as hard remotely to serve your needs. Home sales are being made although at an understandably slower pace.

We have posted, and are updating, a Covid-19 blog on our website for our prospective buyers. Additionally, we're emailing updates as necessary to all who have previously expressed an interest in The Landings as well as regularly posting on social media to keep our audience informed.

These are uncertain times so, for the time being, please be patient as we learn, along with you, what each day brings. Know that we will pivot quickly in order to adjust to new developments in order to best serve your interests.

Ultimately, this crisis will end. I personally believe that once the "all clear" is given, we will return to an environment of remarkably low interest rates, portfolios making progress back to lifetime highs and renewed motivation to come to live at a wonderful place like The Landings!

We thank you for your continued confidence and wish you and yours safety throughout this ordeal. Feel free to email or call your agent or me with questions at any time.

Sincerely,

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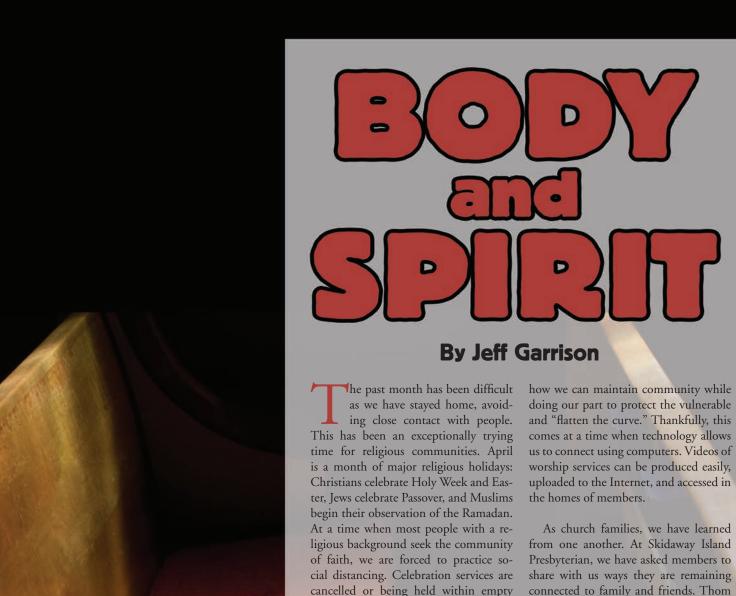
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sanctuaries. As a Presbyterian minister, Greenlaw, an elder at our church, has I felt like I was being kicked in the gut when I realized that we'd have to forego our community Easter Sunrise Service. Other special services have been either cancelled or postponed as this period of during the middle of the afternoon. His isolation continues.

However, this doesn't mean that religious communities have been inactive. We have had to learn how to worship together and to support one another in its worship services online. The church new ways. Humorist Garrison Keillor, received a special holy week offering. in a recent newsletter, tells of participat- Members placed their offerings in the ing in weekly prayer on a Zoom meeting where he and the other participants "were in little boxes on the screen, like pastries on the grocery shelf." But it's working. Churches continue helping people connect, which is important in a that every week every household will retime when we are so isolated.

doing our part to protect the vulnerable comes at a time when technology allows us to connect using computers. Videos of worship services can be produced easily, uploaded to the Internet, and accessed in

As church families, we have learned from one another. At Skidaway Island been doing daily storytelling time with his granddaughters who live in New England. This allows him to stay in touch while giving tired parents a brief respite example has led others to build regular connections with family and friends who are homebound.

Messiah Lutheran Church has moved tube under their mailbox, and donations were picked up by members of the church's stewardship committee. Pastor Jason Talsness and his church council divided the membership directory so ceive a phone call from the church. After Easter Sunday, while maintaining social Over the past few weeks, I have talked distance, lilies from the church will be to a number of clergy in our area about delivered to the doorsteps of members of

the congregation.

Rabbi Robert Haas at Mickve Israel has been a regular user of Facebook. On his page, he shares family photos and promotes his ministry and, occasionally, a "night-gig" as a standup comedian. On the first Friday in which we were encouraged to avoid gathering in groups, I caught Rabbi Haas on Facebook, reading a children's book. As the stay-at-home order was extended, he continued reading children's books each week, lighting Sabbath candles and holding prayers and blessings over bread and wine, with a short devotion at the end. He holds this service online with his wife and children Friday evenings at 6 p.m. There is also an 11 a.m. Saturday morning YouTube service.

For the first two nights of Passover, Rabbi Haas used Zoom to connect with family and members of his synagogue. While there have been plenty of challenges for him, one of the blessings he has experienced during this time is the ability to spend more time with his young children.

Pastor John Crunkleton of Skidaway Island Baptist Church noted that because of the number of people who have logged into

the number older congregants who are particularly vulnerable to COVID-19, his members have taken the call to shelter in place very seriously. The church has provided online services to members through its website skidawaychurch.org - and Facebook page. In addition, the church has conducted Bible Studies and Wednesday evening classes for adults and youth through Zoom and Google Meet. Prior to Holy Week, the church sent crafts to families. Pastor Crunkleton has included a daily meditation explaining the events of Holy Week, and has also been posting online devotions.

Skidaway Island United Methodist Church has been streaming its Sunday morning services through siumc.org. St. James Catholic Church has also been streaming both daily and weekend Masses at stjames.org. On Easter evening, St. James' youth held a virtual "Resurrection Party," encouraging everyone to wear a fun hat.

The people of St. Peter's Episcopal Church have moved all their worship gatherings and weekly Bible studies to Zoom meetings. Rector Hunt Priest has been pleased with



Rabbi Robert Haas and his son as he leads a Friday prayer service with the lighting of candles, blessings and a message.



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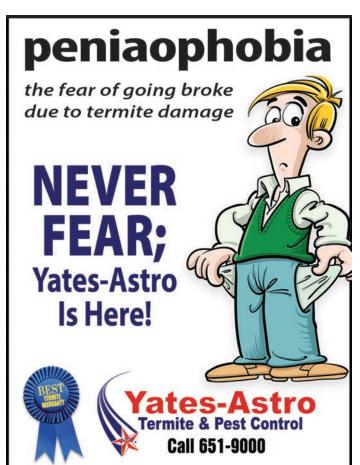
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Skidaway Island Presbyterian preschool teacher Chelsea Lukes meets with her students over the Internet.

"Zoom Church" each Sunday morning for the 9 a.m. service. "It's been reassuring to see each other live and in person. The Episcopal/ Anglican liturgies of Morning and Evening Prayer lend themselves pretty well to these gatherings," he says. The church has also provided its members with resources for home worship for each day of the week and have held Evening Prayer Services (via Zoom) on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 4 p.m. For security concerns, the church isn't publishing the Zoom meeting IDs publicly, but welcomes non-parishioners to join them by contacting one the church's priests (hpriest@saintpeterssav.org or ksteele@saintperssave.org) for additional information.

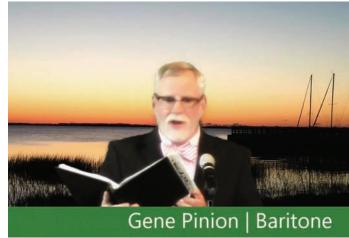


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At Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church, we have been streaming Sunday worship services from our website (sipres.org) for two years. It has proven especially popular with shut-ins and those who have moved away from the area. Because of this, the church was easily able to continue offering worship services to its member and friends in the community. However, we added a YouTube channel to reach more people and make the worship service available afterwards. The congregation has used Zoom to hold meetings along with several weekly Bible studies and "coffee hours" – with everyone providing their own coffee and cookies. During Holy Week, the church offered virtual services for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. The sunrise service, one of the congregation's largest outreach services over the past few years, was also available, allowing people to view on a smart phone or tablet from the comfort of their yards or decks. The virtual service merged a 25-minute video of the sunrise with the pastors and musicians in the sanctuary, using green screen technology similar to that used in television studios. It wasn't perfect – at one point, it appears as if a seagull flew through the head of the soloist – but the virtual service provided a means to continue the sunrise tradition. Sadly, the church had to cancel its annual "Kirkin' o' the Tartans" Scottish heritage service, but looks forward to rescheduling in the fall. The church's elders have taken it upon themselves to call every member every week. Though unable to gather, the church has been blessed as people continue to give regularly online or by mail. The church's mission committee has even been able to make additional gifts to local homeless shelters and to a church mission in India. Both are attempting to feed and care for those without means during this pandemic.

One of the ministries of Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church is

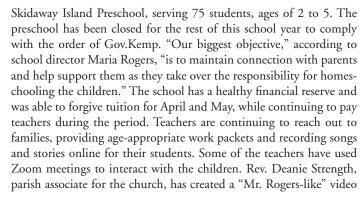


Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church used improvised green screen technology to enhance its online Easter sunrise service.

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Setting up for online worship at Skidaway Island Baptist Church





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During times of crisis, people often turn to religious institutions for support and encouragement. This happened after 9/11, as churches were packed for special prayer services. The same is true today, only we are not able to gather in person. Thankfully, technology allows us to remain connected and to encourage one another during this crisis. By safely maintaining connection with one another, we can share strength and make it through this difficult time.

Jeff Garrison is pastor of Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church. He blogs at www.thepulpitandthepen.com.



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Charles Hearn, Sr.

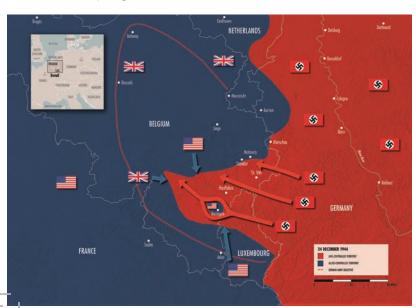
The March 20 (2020) issue of *The Skinnie* mentioned that the canteen/bar of American Legion Post 184 was named in honor of Savannah native Charles Hearn, Sr. (now deceased). He was a front-line machine gunner serving in the famed 101st Airborne Division as it doggedly defended the besieged town of Bastogne in eastern Belgium during the Battle of the Bulge.

Though it was featured in January 23, 2009, the story of Charlie Hearn is so interesting it merits repeating, especially for those who missed its original publication. Hearn was an unforgettable character who earned fame and honor in several ways during a lifetime of accomplishments.

As a teenager, Hearn attended Benedictine Military School. Small in stature but large in heart and determination, he did not allow his diminutive size (5'-5" and 118 pounds) to hold him back. When a football coach told him he was too small to play varsity, the persistent Hearn convinced the school administration to start a boxing team, a sport made to order to test his pound-for-pound toughness.

Hearn transferred to Savannah High for his senior year; but, before graduating, he was drafted by the Army in 1943. During boot camp in Oklahoma, his previous exposure to basic military training at Benedictine and noticeable leadership aptitude earned him a promotion to staff sergeant. The young non-commissioned officer then taught basic infantry tactics to recent boot camp graduates assigned to the 42nd Infantry Division at his Oklahoma base.

Eager for a greater challenge, Hearn volunteered to become a paratrooper. He earned his master jump wings in just six weeks at the Ft. Benning jump school. In October of 1944, he was billeted aboard the *Queen Elizabeth*, which had been converted to a troop carrier. During the voyage to England, Hearn proved his mettle in an exhibition boxing match, defeating a more experienced opponent who outweighed him by 30 pounds.





From England, Hearn crossed the English Channel into war-torn France, joining 200 paratroopers of the 101st Airborne Division protecting a bridge in the Ardennes Forest on the French border with Belgium. In December, 1944, all was calm until hundreds of American troops suddenly retreated across the Meuse River back to France. They had suffered a massive surprise counter-attack from thousands of German armor and infantry forces. The attack, stretching from northern France to northwest Belgium, allowed the Germans to penetrate 70 miles deep behind the Allies' thin defenses. The epic battle is known as the "Battle of the Bulge."

On Christmas Day, the 200 paratroopers guarding the Meuse River Bridge were redeployed to the small Belgium village of Bastogne, where they were integrated into I Company, 325th Glider Infantry of the 101st Airborne Division. The unit of 300 total men then joined the rest of the 101st, which was up against three crack German divisions, and Hearn was right in the middle of it. He traded his M-1 rifle for a heavy .50-caliber machine gun, taking the dangerous role of triggerman of this two-man weapon.

Although he was never injured enough to be removed from battle, Hearn was subjected to multiple 88-mm cannon shells bursting in nearby trees. The barrages were sometimes so intense they would cause blood to flow from his nose and ears.

During the fight, temperatures dropped as low as -33 degrees. Most American troops in the Ardennes had not yet been issued winter clothing and the paratroopers of the 101st Airborne had only their summer garb and non-insulated jump boots. Hearn borrowed an overcoat from a wounded buddy who was evacuated. Still, he feet became so frozen that he could barely walk. After 45 consecutive days of combat,

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Hearn was unwillingly pulled off the line for medical treatment.

"I told the medics that I did not need the use of my feet to shoot my machine gun," he recalled about a decade ago, with a devilish grin.

At the field hospital in Bastogne, Hearn's feet were solid black with little circulation. Anticipating gangrene would result, doctors told him both feet would have to be amputated. He had one answer: "Hell, no, you won't!" He became so unruly the operation was postponed. It took a combination of medicine, treatment and a strong dose of stubborn willpower, but after a week Hearn's feet slowly began to recover, with another 18 weeks in a British hospital before he could walk normally again.

On January 25, the day after Hearn left the front, the Battle of the Bulge ended as the remnants of the severely crippled German army retreated toward their fatherland. It was the largest single battle in Europe of World War II involving American troops. Before it ended, 89,500 G.I.s were killed, wounded, captured or missing in action. German losses – 98,000 total casualties – were even more devastating because the Third Reich had fewer replacements available to continue the war

While on liberty in England, Hearn befriended a convalescing British soldier who had family in Darlington, a town in northern England. The two were treated royally there, so much so that they overstayed their leave by two weeks. When they finally reported back to base, the war in Europe had just ended and their overdue status was overlooked by an understanding first sergeant who had made the acquaintance of



Charlie Hearn poses with Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight boxing champ.



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a friendly British lass.

Returning to duty, Hearn reported back to I Company, now stationed in the Austrian Alps near Hitler's former mountain retreat. During four months of leisurely duty, he took advantage of the opportunity to set aside his rifle for a pair of boxing gloves, advancing through the regimental boxing team to the division boxing team, eventually winning the 112-pound class in the Allied European Theatre of Occupation Tournament. He made a lot of his Airborne buddies happy as they always bet on him to win.

Again, Hearn boarded a converted ocean liner, this time the *Queen Mary*, bound for America loaded with returning G.I.s. He entertained his shipmates in a rematch with the very same soldier he fought on their earlier voyage to England. He defeated his overconfident and heavier opponent again by a technical knockout in the second round. Returning to Ft. Benning, Hearn continued to box in exhibitions while training new paratroopers.

The staff sergeant was discharged in early 1946. Prominent on his dress uniform directly below his Parachutists Badge was a Bronze

Star with two Oak Leaf Clusters and Combat V, and two Purple Hearts.

Following a quick conversion to civilian life, he earned his overdue high school diploma from Commercial High School in Savannah and took a job with the Seaboard Railroad. For 30 years he demonstrated unwavering loyalty and reliability to the railroad while rising to a position of regional conductor until retiring for medical reasons.

Hearn slugged his way to the top of the national amateur Golden Gloves Boxing Association. In 1947, he fought a memorable bout in Madison Square Garden, losing to the three-time reigning champion by a close split decision. In 1952, he married Betty June Howell, and together they raised five children. The same year, his bulldog tenacity earned him a spot as an alternate on the U.S. Olympic boxing team. However, he soon hung up his gloves for good, in favor of his rapidly growing family.

In 1998, Hearn was named Grand Marshal of the annual Veterans Day parade and, in 2005, Veteran of the Year. He served as commander of VFW Post 4392, commander



Each year, Charles Hearn would carve a decorative walking stick for the Chatham County Veteran of the Year, an honor he held in 2005.

of the Military Order of Purple Hearts, a member of the Disabled American Veterans, an original member of the World War II Monument Committee and, of course, a member of American Legion Post 184.

A skilled wood carver, Hearn would create a decorative walking stick for the annual Chatham County Veteran of the Year, inscribing it with the veteran's achievements, awards and honors. One of his most impressive walking sticks is his own, which remains an everlasting tribute to his service. Hearn died November 30, 2009, at the age of 85.





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New Regional Medical Campus in Buckwalter Place

outh Carolina's Lowcountry residents now have access to high-tech medical services all under one roof with the opening of the St. Joseph's/Candler Campus at 100 Buckwalter Place Boulevard in Bluffton. The new regional medical campus greatly expands the growing community's access to high-quality healthcare services and state-ofthe-art medical technology. The new campus features professional guest service agents, who provide an unparalleled level of concierge service, and create a warm, inviting and personal patient experience.

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The centrally located 40,000-square-foot campus is being built in two major phases over six years, and will employ 63 people with

an estimated annual payroll of \$6.6 million. With an initial financial investment of \$33.5 million (phase one), the campus is another shining example of St. Joseph's/Candler's long-standing commitment to helping the residents of the South Carolina Lowcountry live smarter and healthier lives.

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- Imaging services
- Expansion of specialty clinic services
- Enhancement of other St. Joseph's/ Candler services currently located in the Bluffton community
- Additional new outpatient services, to continue growing with the Bluffton community

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Virus Forces New Visitor Restrictions

n facing the challenges presented by COVID-19, the top priority at St. Joseph's/Candler has been the safety and protection of all L patients and co-workers. The health system has been continually evaluating visitor status and restrictions, reviewing the policies' impacts, and making necessary changes when needed.

St. Joseph's/Candler is currently NOT allowing visitors in any in-patient unit, outpatient service or physician office building, and is enforcing those restrictions beyond the health system's regular flu season. The health system is asking family and friends to consider alternative forms of communication with patients, including Skype, FaceTime or phone calls. There are, however, a few exceptions: The Labor and Delivery Unit is allowing one support person; patients who are minors (Pediatrics and Neonatal ICU) are permitted one parent; Outpatient Surgery and the Emergency Department are allowing one family member. All visitors will be

Patients with appointments should be prepared to answer ques-

- Fever higher than 100.4 degrees or subjective fever, cough and shortness of breath
- Travels to countries, states or cities of concern for novel coronavirus (COVID-19) within the last 14 days
- Exposure to anyone with identified or suspected COVID-19



Security and a clinical screening team will continue to be stationed in the front lobbies at each public entrance of all St. Joseph's/Candler medical office buildings on all campuses, including Pooler, Bluffton, and the Nancy N. and J.C. Lewis Cancer and Research Pavilion (LCRP). The health system is implementing temperature checks on patients at the LCRP locations, Heart and Lung Building, and the Professional Office Building. This policy may change at any time, and screenings may expand to other en-

The health system wishes to thank the public for its understanding of these temporary restrictions as it works to ensure the safest possible environment for its patients and its workforce during this challenging time.

Visit sjchs.org for important updates on the most current visitor

COVID-19

Visitor restrictions are in place due to the Coronavirus. In order to contain the strain of COVID-19 and to provide the safest possible environment for our patients, St. Joseph's/Candler is closely following all CDC guidelines and implementing strict screening requirements and visitor restrictions.

Patients and visitors will be screened through a questionnaire. Please be prepared

- Answer questions regarding your travel history
- State if you are experiencing any respiratory symptoms (cough, shortness of breath)
- State if you have a fever
- Note any recent contact with an ill traveler or someone exposed to a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patient

Additionally:

- Only one visitor will be allowed to accompany a patient
- Children under the age of 18 are not permitted to visit any patient

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The Rise of Telemedicine

By Amy Pierce

oronavirus has significantly changed how we conduct our daily lives. The best way to fight the outbreak is to stay at home. The current shelter-in-place mandate is designed to limit the transmission of the virus by keeping people out of public places. We are seeing a massive increase in people working remotely, and grocery stores are delivering food to homes.

While it is hoped these strategies prevent the spread of COVID-19, there are resultant challenges to accessing healthcare, especially for the older population. In a community like Skidaway Island, where many residents are over 65, the need for medical care and "seeing" a doctor runs headlong into the directive to stay at home.

The solution: Telemedicine, or virtual vis-

Telemedicine has been around for many years, using Internet technologies to allow physicians to view and speak to patients in real-time. Doctors are able to make medical assessments and develop action plans to treat their patients' concerns. A virtual visit is a safer option for older patients - who seem to be the most at risk from COVID-19 - than visiting a physician's office during this dangerous time.

Dr. Jules Victor, a local MDVIP physician of internal medicine and a Skidaway resident, has seen the shift in his office. "Our day-today office operations have radically changed," he says. "Where we use to have multiple patients in the office every day, now we see one or two. Medicine is adapting to the new normal for this pandemic. We have the tools needed to see patients remotely. Phone calls, emails and even our electronic medical record (EMR) has an application that can be downloaded to phones and tablets that can use the built-in camera for me to have a two-way visual conversation with my patients."

While physicians like Victor are adapting to working remotely, some older patients may not be comfortable with the technologies associated with a virtual visit. Telemedicine visits are best accomplished through devices such as smartphones and tablets like iPads. Using its built-in camera, the device can transmit video and sound so the patient and physician can interact with one another. However, many older patients are not experienced in using these solutions. "If the patient doesn't use new technologies, even a simple

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phone call can be helpful to discuss concerns," Victor explains. "The key is to keep people at home and out of the office. Even though we spend multiple hours a day sanitizing our office, the safer path is to not have to come into the office."

If you are an older resident who is not comfortable with some of the technologies required for virtual visits, you can reach out to a firm like Coastal Care Partners (CCP), with licensed registered nurses who can assist with your virtual visit. CCP coordinates with your physician to set up the appointment and makes sure all the technology is working. Staff can assist in your home, if conditions permit. Nurses wear gloves, masks, and use all CDC-recommended precautions for safety. They can initiate the virtual appointment, take vital signs, pass information along to the physician and help make sure all your concerns are thoroughly addressed. CCP acts as the middleman to make sure your virtual visit is successful without you having to leave your house.

Whether you are comfortable with technology and can conduct a virtual appointment yourself or need some assistance, staying home and getting medical advice is now completely possible. If you don't know your physician's process for telemedicine, Victor recommends you ask him or her. Victor says that most medical practices have telemedicine protocols. Safety is the main concern for everyone, and we have to use all available tools to protect our health.

Amy Pierce, RN, CMC, is co-owner of Coastal Care Partners.



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HAIR

Not Necessarily a Losing Proposition

BY RON FINGER, MD

The issue of baldness has affected humanity (and concerned men and women) as long as history has described mankind.

In 1822, a German medical student successfully removed a hair follicle from one point of the scalp and transplanted it to another. By the end of the 19th century, various procedures, including grafts and hair-bearing scalp flaps, had come into use to treat hair loss from burns or trauma. In 1930s, we began to see the foundations of modern medicine's answer to baldness. In Japan, balding areas were "plugged" with transplants from the back of the scalp, which yields follicles that continue growing hair well into old age. Second and third procedures were required to place additional plugs between the initial ones so the grafts didn't look like a toy doll's hair.

In 1952, American physician Dr. Norman

Orentreich demonstrated that hair follicles

took on the growth longevity of the donor site.

This meant follicles from the back of the scalp

could be grafted to anywhere, and continue

growing characteristic of the donor site.

However, these plugs, as well as the

large grafts of the 1970s, were

not natural in appearance.

thin strip of scalp removed from the back of the head. This replicated the natural shape of the hairline by placing the grafts in a more natural direction. This technique is called follicular unit transplant (FUT) and was the preferred method by the year 2000. In 2005, follicular unit extraction (FUE) was developed. A very tiny 1-millimeter punch is taken from the donor scalp and transplanted into the balding recipient areas. These grafts contain one to four follicles and hairs, which can be made to look entirely natural. The most common FUE procedure employs the automated NeoGraft.

By 1984, micro-grafts were taken from a long,

Both FUT and FUE are very effective methods of transplanting hair, and can yield excellent similar grafts. The method to be used depends upon the patient's individual problems and goals. Men with shorter hair usually have the

FUT

Advantages

- More grafts can be taken • All grafts are taken from the "sweet spot," so more longevity for more grafts
- A faster procedure, which is better for the follicles, as they are reunited with a blood supply sooner
- Shave only the narrow area the strip is taken from, so the remaining hair covers the donor site immediately

Disadvantages

- The linear scar
- Requires sutures that must be taken out at about 10-12 days
- Donor site may be more tender after surgery

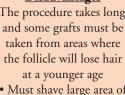
FUE

Advantages

- No linear scar in the
- back of the head • No sutures required

Disadvantages

- The procedure takes longer and some grafts must be taken from areas where the follicle will lose hair
- Must shave large area of hair in the posterior scalp











This woman had the Strip (FUT) transplant with 2,000 grafts, and is eight months post op.



A NeoGraft (FUE) transplant is 2,000 grafts with 10 months post op. Maximum growth is at 18 months.

NeoGraft FUE. Women and men with longer hair usually choose the strip (FUT), to avoid shaving a large portion of the scalp in the back of their head. All hair transplants are done under local anesthesia with or without sedation, according to the patient's desires.

CAUSES AND TREATMENT OF HAIR LOSS

Alopecia Areota (hair loss) is a condition where patches of hair are lost. It is commonly called male pattern baldness (MPB) and affects about 35 million men in the U.S. More than 40 percent of men have noticeable hair loss by age 35. Typically, MPB starts in the crown and temples and may expand to complete baldness except for the sides and back of the scalp according to family history. The age can vary throughout adulthood.

The condition is not exclusive to men. Alopecia also affects about 21 million women, and 65 percent of women have significant hair loss by age 60. Female pattern baldness is typically a general thinning of an oval shaped area in the center of the scalp, including the hairline. In women, hair loss can be attributed to hormonal changes brought on by menopause, pregnancy, childbirth or thyroid dysfunction.

The goal of any treatment is to prevent continuing loss of existing hair and to restore lost hair in a manner that appears natural. The first step is to identify and address any underlying contributor to the alopecia. The most common cause behind hair loss is hereditary, but there are many other contributing factors:

- Medical: Infections such as ringworm, dermatological conditions, diabetes and autoimmune disorders
- Psychological: Chronic stress, anorexia, or trichotillomania (pulling

one's own hair out)

- Pharmaceutical: chemotherapy or general anesthesia
- Lifestyle: Smoking or the use of anabolic steroids causes too much testosterone being converted to DHT (dihydrotestosterone), and can result in hair loss
- Hair styles: Braids, pony tails, buns and other hair styles that constantly pull on the hair follicles can cause Traction Alopecia
- Pollutants: Heavy metals, such as mercury and lead can cause hair loss; Chlorine is another offender, along with smog and smoke

Rogaine has been a popular topical treatment, but there are now multi-ingredient sprays that reduce DHT and inflammation that may be more effective. Finasteride is a medication taken by mouth that prevents testosterone conversion to DHT. Possible adverse side effects must be fully understood by patients before taking this medication.

PRP (platelet rich plasma) is helpful in people with early hair loss. It is the injection of your own growth factors into your scalp. The benefit is temporary, and after the initial series requires an injection every 10 to 12 months.

Ultimately, the only permanent treatment is hair transplant.

Dr. Finger is a board-certified plastic surgeon.



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Congratulations, Class of 2020!

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

Send us those 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 2020.

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



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 now open to all island residents

HOW MUCH: Each \$30 membership fee covers one household of one or two adults

CONTACT: Cec Calcaterra, Landloversmember ship@gmail.com or 803.309.5883

WHAT ELSE: Landings Landlovers is a philanthropic and social organization now open to all island residents. More information and details can be found at www.landingslandlover.com. Our membership year runs from Sep. 1, 2019 through Aug. 31, 2020.

CAUSEWAY CLEAN-UP

WHAT: "Shine Bright like a Diamond (Causeway)," litter pickup along Diamond Causeway WHEN: 1 or 2 times per month, as trash amount deems necessary

WHERE: Meet in the parking lot of Butterbean Beach

CONTACT: Courtney Fowler, causewayclean-up@gmail.com or 912.313.6040

WHAT ELSE: Please bring work gloves and a safety vest if you have one; a trash-picker works wonders as well. We will provide trash bags. Water is recommended to avoid dehydration.

WELCOME MAT

WHAT: Learn to create sleeping mats for the homeless from discarded plastic bags WHEN: Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. – 12 noon at Oakridge Club; Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon

CONTACT: Please RSVP to Carol Greenberg at 912.355.1238 or MStarArts@gmail.com

WHAT ELSE: Help divert plastic bags from landfills and waterways while providing comfort to the homeless. Completed mats will be on

display the first week in February at the JEA Art Gallery.

WE HAVE A WIENER

WHAT: Landings Longdogs Get-togethers WHEN: 4th Tuesday of each month, 4 p.m. WHERE: Landings Harbor Marina HOW MUCH: No charge

CONTACT: Linda Rich, lindarich912@bell-south.net

WHAT ELSE: A fun play date for you and your dachshund(s). Meet other owners and their special friends.

STUCK IN BETWEEN

WHAT: Middle Aged Tweens of Skidaway (MATS).

WHERE: Usually in private homes.

CONTACT: matskidaway@gmail.com or call Ann Nash at 203.856.8927, or visit www.

matskidaway.com

WHAT ELSE: MATS was formed to create
social activities for people in their 'tween years.
There are monthly socials, book club groups,
business group, Ladies Night Out, Men's Poker
Night and more! Many of us are empty nesters or
semi-empty nesters. We may find ourselves in the
later stages of our careers, working part-time or
navigating issues of early retirement. Some of us

IT'S AN HONOR

WHAT: Honor Flight Savannah seeks war veterans and volunteers

CONTACT: honorflightsavannah.org or 912.367.9020

are still responsible for raising children

WHAT ELSE: Honor Flight Savannah is offering WW II, Korea and Vietnam War era veterans living in southeast Georgia and southeastern South Carolina an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., to visit their war memorials. Funding for trips is dependent on contributions from community citizens and businesses.

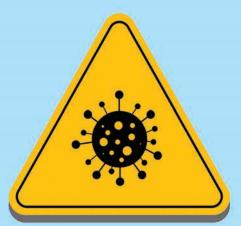
CERVUS WITH A PURPOSE

WHAT: Bingo at the Elks Lodge **WHEN:** Sundays at 7 p.m. and Wednesdays at

7:30 p.m.

WHERE: 183 Wilshire Blvd

WHAT ELSE: \$1,500 in prizes. All proceeds benefit Elks charities.



In accordance with White House guidelines for nationwide behavior patterns for (at least) the the month of April, we have omitted entries that promote gatherings before May 1.

To those of you who submitted such entries, we look forward to helping you promote your rescheduled events.

To all of our readers, advertisers, families and friends: We wish you safety and health, and a speedy return to normalcy.

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STANDARD CLUES*

ACROSS

- 1. Ali who said, "Open Sesame!"
- 5. Dreaded Jamaican?
- 10. Exclamations of surprise
- 14. Mountain range in Western Russia
- 15. Gesundheit trigger?
- 16. Camping shelter
- 17. Its sound is spooky and sudden
- 19. Many a jazz combo
- 20. Told a whopper
- 21. Brother of Moses
- 22. Frightened
- 25. Pinot noir, but not pinot blanc
- 27. Rotor's opposite
- 28. Maid of Robin Hood
- 29. Type of raid
- 30. Soft, glossy fabric
- 31. Miracle-___ plant food
- 34. "All right."
- 35. Familiar toon ogre
- 36. Culture medium of crosswords
- 37. Texas Senator, ____ Cruz
- 38. Pares an apple
- 39. Dried plum
- 40. Be ambitious
- 42. 2018 Superbowl champions
- 43. Instrument played while wearing a kilt
- 45. Conditional release
- 46. German WWII submarine
- 47. Ares, to the Romans
- 48. Crucifix

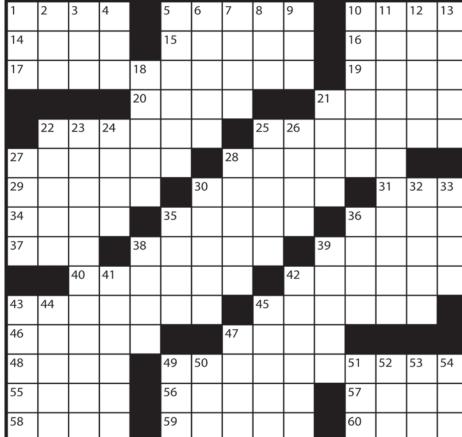
49. Its sound is monotonous and annoving

- 55. Go up
- 56. January, in Madrid
- 57. Gymnastics position
- 58. Bullring cheers
- 59. Went out with
- 60. "Don't leave home without it." sloganeer

DOWN

- 1. Elementary school transport
- 2. Unbroken part of a circle
- 3. "So this guy walks into a ____ "
- 4. Brits call it 'beer'
- 5. Saucier
- 6. Needed Motrin

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- 7. Wearing wing-tips
- 8. A.A.A. road service offering
- 9. "You've got mail!" co.
- 10. Capital city of Canada
- 11. Its sound is raucous and frantic
- 12. Bermuda or Vidalia
- 13. Eolith
- 18. Son of "The Jetson's" on TV
- 21. Tennis score of 40-30, e.g.
- 22. Vampire killer
- 23. Its sound is an intrusive klaxon
- 24. Part of D.A.
- 25. Assesses
- 26. Viking explorer, ____ the Red
- 27. Leopard feature
- 28. WWI Allied victory that saved Paris
- 30. Co-star of "Rocky", Talia ____
- 32. Raja's squeeze
- 33. Galena and bauxite
- 35. Omit

- 36. Mythological ship that retrieved the Golden Fleece
- 38. Sputum
- 39. Analyze a sentence grammatically (anagram for SPEAR)
- 41. Garden shovels
- 42. Apple's 2012 headphone replacement device (anagram for APE ROD)
- 43. Mexican donkey
- 44. Like water ready for the teabags
- 45. San Diego baseball pro
- 47. ___ & Chandon champagne
- 49. United
- 50. "Comin' in ____ Wing and a Prayer" (WWII song)
- 51. IRS whiz
- 52. North Korean leader, ____ Jong Un
- 53. Barely manage (with 'out')
- 54. Trump Sec'y of State, ____ Tillerson

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WILDTHINGS

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Diane Gannon and a friend were heading to the Sparrow Fields to photograph birds. Passing by the first lagoon on Bartram they spotted a couple of ducks that were not mergansers. "We backed up the car and were pretty exited to see a male and female wood duck," she says.





"They swam around for awhile, got out of the lagoon and walked the cart path a bit and then they flew up into a near by tree. You just never know who is going to visit the Landings."

Wild Things" is a regular feature in The Skinnie, featuring your photographs of our beloved island. Email your high-resolution photos to production@theskinnie.com. Please include your name and a little information about where the photo was taken.

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