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BY SAMANTHA SKOLNICK

NIGHT & DAY MAGAZINE

Get ready to enjoy the Irish season this year by attending the amazing parades the Jersey Shore has to offer. Listen to incredible pipe bands, watch floats pass by and be entertained by so much more this March when you attend these St. Patrick's Day parades.

BELMAR/LAKE COMO

The Belmar/Lake Como St. Patrick's Day Parade is back again this year on Sunday, March 6 at 12:30p.m. Get ready for one of the most famous St. Patrick's Day Parades in New Jersey.

This year it was announced that there will be two Grand Marshals: Amanda Louise Cregan and Craig Coyle.

Ms. Cregan is the very first woman to ever have the honor of being a Grand Marshall for the Belmar/ Lake Como St. Patrick's Day Parade. She was raised in Belmar and calls West Belmar home with her fiance and family. Throughout her life she has been the President of the Women of Irish Heritage Jersey Shore, a Committee Chair of Manasquan Cub Scout Pack 59 and Manasquan Scout Troop 59 Committee. This is not her first time in the parade, she's been a part of this amazing event since the 1980s where she started with marching band, which then led her to become a member of the Barnegat Bay Pipe Band and then Pipes and Drums of the Jersey Shore Shillelaghs.

Mr. Coyle of Neptune has a large family and has many special ways of connecting with his Irish heritage. He is the Vice President with the Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh, and is a former Shillelagh of the Year and Ancient Order of the Hibernians Irishman of the Year. In his free time, he is also an active member of the Jersey Shore Running Club, and enjoys being involved with many fundraisers for the Friendly

Songs of the Shillelagh.

The parade route begins on North Lake Boulevard and Main Street in Lake Como and proceeds north along Belmar's Main Street toward Avon-by-the-Sea. For more information visit belmarparade.com.

OCEAN COUNTY

Get ready to enjoy the luck of the Irish at this year's Ocean County St. Patrick's Day Parade. It will step off at noon on Saturday March 12 at Noon. The parade will go down the Boulevard in Seaside

The official home of the parade this year will be Klee's Bar and Grill located at 101 Boulevard Seaside Heights.

B98.5 will have a live broadcast from the Grand Stand.

At the end of the parade, meet at the Hershey Motel for a post parade party and entertainment by the band Ballyhaunis!





tee members include President Tom King, Vice President Patrick Jockel, Treasurer Brian Morton, Secretary Robyn King, and Trustees Bernie Mackle, Erin Ryan, and Dennis Morton.

For more information, to complete a march application, or become a sponsor, go to ocstpatricksdayparade.com.

FREEHOLD

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day this year in Downtown Freehold for the Freehold Borough Arts Council's 10th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade 2022. It will be held on Sunday, March 13 at 1 p.m.

This year's Honorary Grand Marshal is Lori-Anne McLane. McLane is the President and CEO of United Way of Monmouth and Ocean Counties.

Many organizations are working to make this parade possible, including the Ancient Order of Hibernians St. Oliver Plunkett Division #16, the Freehold Elks Lodge No. 1454, the Columbian Club/ Knights of Columbus, and DowntownFreehold. com.

The parade will start at 10 East Main Street, in Downtown Freehold.

For more information visit downtownfreehold. com.

ASBURY PARK

St. Patrick's Day is back in Asbury Park for this year's St. Patrick's Day Parade. The parade will be held on March 13 at 1p.m. This year's official headquarters will be Johnny Mac House of Spirits.

The parade will begin on Ocean Avenue with a staging area, the reviewing stand will be at Cookman Avenue, and it will end on Main Street.

the St. Patrick's Day Parade, and will be posthumously honored as the Grand Marshal. He and his wife, Mary, created the Johnny Mac House of Spirits. Sadly, McGillion passed away at the age of 78 on July 12, 2020. McGillion will be honored on a Johnny Mac House of Spirits float to celebrate him.

An after party will be held at the Wonder Bar on Ocean Avenue.

To be a part of the parade an application fee will be \$50 and a float will cost \$250. Applications must be mailed to Asbury Park St. Patrick's Day Parade, P.O. Box 694, Asbury Park, NJ 07712.

For more information, visit asburyparkstpatricksparade.com.

RUMSON

One of the best parades around, Rumson will be having the St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 12 at 1p.m.

The Grand Marshal is Charles Hill Jones. Jones and his wife, Hope Haskell Jones, have been an important part of Monmouth County for a number of years. Together, they raised three children and have been a part of civic and education organizations. He was a President of the Board of Trustees of Rumson Country Day School, Trustee and Treasurer of the Child Service Organization in Newark, NJ. and Trustee and Chairman of the Finance Committee for Monmouth Medical Center in Long Branch, NJ.

This year's parade beneficiary is Shore House. Along with the parade, Rumson is also holding an Irish Heritage Poster Contest and an Irish Essay Competition, both with a deadline of March 4.

For more information visit rumsonstpatricksdayparade.org.

Enjoy March 17th in the best way possible at the Highlands St. Patrick's Parade! It will take place on Saturday, March 19 at 2 pm.

The Grand Marshals are Nancy Burton and Eileen Ricco, owners of the florist ship, In the Garden. Burton has always been an important member of the Highlands community. From 2007-2008 she was on the Highlands Business Partnership and from 2033-2007 she served as Councilwoman for the Borough of Highlands. Ricco lives in Belford, and became Burton's business partner after Hurricane Sandy. Together they help many non-profits such as the Visiting Nurse Association, the Middletown Art Center, and Sandy Hook Foundation.

Hundreds will march starting at Waterwitch Avenue and on the one mile Bay Avenue. The Henry **Hudson Regional Marching Band and Cheerleaders** will perform as well as the Monmouth County Police & FIre Pipes & Drums, Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh Pipes and Drums of Old Bride, the Middlesex County Police & Fire Pipes and Drums and many more.

For more information visit highlandsnj.com.

KEYPORT

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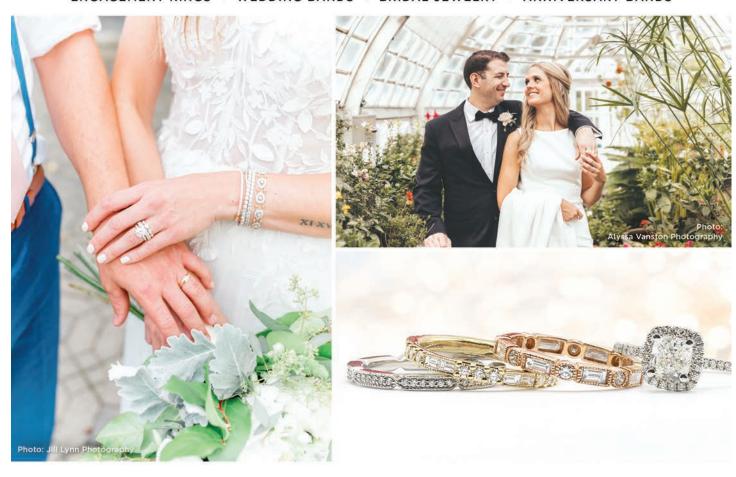


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Plunging for a cause

BY STAR NEWS GROUP STAFF

Freezing cold plunges into the ocean can be restorative and provide many health benefits, but most of the 2022 plunge participants did not do their annual plunge for themselves.

The 2022 cold winter season provided an outlet for several local organizations to fundraise for their worthy causes.

In total, four local plunges raised an estimated \$450,000 for various organizations including the LADACIN Network, Local Initiative For Troops [LIFT] Fund for Veterans at Coastal Habitat for Humanity, Elks Camp Moore and Joan Dancy and PALS [People with ALS] and Stay Tough, Fight Hard foundations.

LADACIN MANASQUAN PLUNGE MAKES A SUCCESSFUL RETURN

More than 150 individuals excitedly dashed into the Atlantic Ocean off Main Street Beach in Manasquan on a frigid Saturday afternoon in January, making a splash and a difference in support of persons with disabilities.

The ocean water temperature for the 14th annual LADACIN Plunge on Jan. 15 was in the mid-40s, but the air temperature was 19 degrees. Before braving the icy Atlantic, plungers gathered at Leggett's Sand Bar & Restaurant.

\$60,000 was raised for LADACIN Network, which is a non-profit agency whose mission is to provide a continuum of care, including educational, therapeutic, social, residential, and support services to infants, children, and adults with complex physical

and developmental disabilities or delays, stated Patti Carlesimo, executive director of the organization. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, LADACIN hosted a virtual plunge last year instead of the ocean plunge.

Joseph J. Russell Jr. of Manasquan founded and continues to coordinate the event. His cousin, Elizabeth "Liz" Hartnett, is a client of LADACIN Network, and has inspired his involvement in supporting the agency. Her father, J. Michael Hartnett, was a long-time agency board member and advocate for people with disabilities.

Each year participants are encouraged to dress up in festive costumes to celebrate the day.

"It's definitely the coldest year. We're gonna get in there, we're gonna get out of there [and] we're gonna raise some money for a good cause," said Ms. Russell, explaining that in prior years the plunge saw both snow and rain but never temperatures in the low 20s.

































"All those years it was in the 30s, so this is by far our coldest year," she said.

Pipers and drummers of the Friendly Sons of Shillelagh [FSOS] led the plungers with a tune as they made their way to the beach and down to the water.

Scott and Shannon MacDonald expressed their excitement to be attending the plunge.

"It's always a fun event, and a lot of people show up, which is great. It's a good cause," stated Ms. MacDonald. "I'm happy to be here, it's for a great cause and we're happy to get everyone on to the beach with the pipes and drums," added Mr. MacDonald, who has been playing in the pipe band for seven years.

The Manasquan Fire Department, First Aid Squad, Police Department and The U.S. Coast Guard kept a close watch of the participants throughout the plunge.

"It was brutal out there, but it's for a good cause. I'm all for it, and I went fully in," said Victoria Flotard of Oceanport who stated that it was her first time doing the plunge. "I'll be back next year for sure," she added.

Reporting by Alissa Deleo

SEA GIRT HOSTS ICY PLUNGE
AIDING VETERANS AND HONORING TROOPER
Residents bravely faced freezing waters during

Sea Girt's first Patriot Polar Plunge on Saturday, Feb. 5. Proceeds went to the Local Initiative For Troops [LIFT] Fund for Veterans at Coastal Habitat for Humanity. In addition, proceeds will help Jersey Shore area Veterans with home improvement and housing

The event was also in honor of State Trooper Juan Fajardo, who died last November in a motor-vehicle incident.

The LIFT fund was originally created in 2019 with the Sea Girt 5K. It's mission is to assist local veterans with home repairs, from commonly needed improvements to installing handicapped accessible amenities.

The event's main beneficiary was Coastal Habitat for Humanity, an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International. It's mission is "to put love and respect into action by bringing people of all backgrounds together to build and repair homes and communities," according to its website. Coastal Habitat for Humanity has helped hundreds of Southern Monmouth County since its establishment in 1994.

According to Mike D'Altrui, the head of Sea Girt's Recreation Commission, over 350 people registered for the event, and a few hundred of those participants took part in the actual plunge. Mr. D'Altrui said that between sponsors, participants and individual donations, the event raised over \$30,000.

"It was a cold day, windy, so it was quite frigid," Mr. D'Altrui said. "But it came out to be a really special event.

"It was a great success, especially for our first-time event," he continued.

The town assisted the recreation department with the event by providing lifeguards, EMS and "all the things that were needed to put it together."

— Reporting by Jack Slocum

JOHN SENTNER MEMORIAL PLUNGE RAISES MORE THAN \$100K

More than 300 participants dashed into the Atlantic Ocean for the 15th annual John Sentner Memorial Plunge, presented by the New Jersey Elks Association on Saturday, Feb. 12.

Last year, the plunge was held virtually due to the coronavirus pandemic. In its return, preliminary financial reports show the event raised over \$100,000, said Elks Committee Treasurer Ann Marie OHare, adding that it was the Elks best plunge yet.

"It was a great day that exceeded our expectations," she said. "I think people were really excited to be back at Martell's doing the plunge. To do it live this year made such a difference."

Following their dip in 40 degree waters, participants were invited to Martell's Tiki Bar for a celebratory reception featuring a gift auction, a 50/50 raffle, food and drink specials.

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"Martell's service to us was absolutely spot-on. They did an outstanding job," said Ms. OHare.

Amy Sentner, the youngest daughter of John Sentner, the creator of the plunge and its beneficiary, stated the plunge was well planned and well attended and that she was 'overjoyed' to be a part of it.

"The weather was beautiful. The crowd was more than I anticipated due to where we are with COVID. I think everybody wanted to get out and celebrate for a great cause. I'm very pleased by the number of participants that actually jumped into the water as well as the attendees that came to the event in support of a great cause," she said.

Ms. Sentner noted that she was pleasantly surprised with the amount of funds raised.

"The amount of money was overwhelming. I didn't expect that we would be able to reach our goal of \$100,000 almost in one event. Typically we take over three events to get to that. To actually reach what we think of a net profit of \$80,000 just for that one day was overwhelming."

Ms. Sentner, who is also the advisor to the Elks Plunge Committee, added, "It went well. Everybody had a good time. Friends that hadn't seen each other in a long time had gathered together. A lot of people enjoyed winning prizes and supporting local businesses that contributed to the gift auction from the local surrounding areas."

The plunge was established by the former Elks state president and Wall Township resident John Sentner, who named his fundraiser the Miracle Plunge. When Mr. Sentner died in 2012, the event was rechristened in his honor and has continued annually.

The plunge is a major fundraiser for Elks Camp Moore, a camp in Haskell dedicated to special-needs children. "Everybody just had a really great time and we were able to raise a substantial amount of money for Elks Camp Moore," stated Ms. OHare.

The primary goal of Camp Moore is to further develop the recreational and social skills of each child. In a relaxed and accepting atmosphere, each camper experiences new adventures, lasting friendships and opportunities that promote independence and greater self-confidence, according to njelks.org.

Reporting by Alissa Deleo

ALS PLUNGE DRAWS HUNDREDS TO BEACH

An estimated 500 plungers, cheered on by twice that many spectators, gathered at Manasquan Beach on Saturday, Feb. 12 for the 16th annual Valentine Plunge fundraiser for the Joan Dancy and PALS [People with ALS] and Stay Tough, Fight Hard foundations.

Founder Jim O'Neill called it one of the most successful plunges in the event's history, raising more than \$260,000 in donations.

The fundraiser was boosted by a beautiful day in Manasquan for February, with temperatures in the 50s as participants ventured into the surf.

"I know the weather had something to do with it," said Mr. O'Neill. "Amen to that because they are looking down on us for sure. We've had some crummy weather in the past with this event, but it was a blessing in disguise."

"The dedication from those with this disease and their families is amazing. Some of these people have been here for 15 to 16 years since our inception. Unfortunately, we lose around ten patients every year, but we also gain ten more. This event will never die unless they cure the disease," said Mr. O'Neill.

Mr. O'Neill's brother Tim died from ALS in 2007, at about the time that an annual Special Olympics plunge was moving out of Point Pleasant, leaving an opening for a new plunge event in the general area.

"I saw an opportunity to start one in Manasquan. You don't have to be an athlete, certain age, or physically fit. You just need the will desire and the stones to do it," he said.

"Any color or creed, it doesn't matter because everyone gets touched by this disease. I'm proud to be a part of it."

According to Mr. O'Neill, the Valentine Plunge has raised more than \$3 million in the past 16 years in donations to the Joan Dancy and PALS Foundation, which offers care for people with ALS in Mercer, Monmouth, Ocean, and Middlesex counties.

Other donations are given to Stay Tough, Fight Hard, which provides grants to patients outside of the surrounding counties. According to Mr. O'Neill, these grants provide patients a better quality of life by paying for caregivers, wheelchairs, and the needed equipment for patients.

"When you look at all the things people need, which our donations go to, it makes you want to cry, how bad and debilitating this disease is," he said. "

"Joan Dancy and PALS provides nurses for people with ALS," Mr. O'Neill said. "They will hold your hand from the time you get it to when you die. There are different levels to the disease, and hopefully, we find a cure soon, but all our donations go to quality-of-life issues."

- Reporting by Corey Rothauser





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PROVING GROUND, Highlands - 732.872.2266	Double A	Carl Gentry	Highlands Chili Cook-Off	Big Hix Trio	
ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN, Spring Lake Hts - 732.449.2626	Carnaby Street	Matt Noffsinger Band	Marty Moonshine McKernan	Kings & I	
THE SAINT, Asbury Park - 732.775.9144	Echo Kid	The Voodudes	Easy Honey	Jeremy & The Harlequins	
THE SEAFARER, Highlands - 732.861.1741					
THE SALTY WHALE, Manasquan - 732.592.3344	Marty & The Martians	Christian & Nyke		Sean Patrick Band	
TOMS RIVER BREWING, Toms River - 732.608.1004					
THE STONE PONY, Asbury Park - 732.502.0600	Emo Night Brooklyn	Lucy Dacus		Judas Priestess	
WATER STREET, Toms River - 732.240.4800	Eddie Testa Band	Nine Deeze Nite			
WONDER BAR, Asbury Park - 732.502.8886	Sandy Mack & Friends	Big Bang Baby	ShamRock N Roll	Surfbort	

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				Joe Baracata Band				St. Patrick's Weekend Party
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	Matt Noffsinger Band		Secret Sound	St. Patrick's Day Parade			Grand Theft Auto	Elvis Jim Barone
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Beat your cabin fever with a Stone Pony show

BY KATIE JACOBS

NIGHT & DAY MAGAZINE

It can be hard to endure the long nights of winter at home with just your playlist to keep you entertained, so why not get out of the house — beat your cabin fever — and head over to The Stone Pony in Asbury Park. The March lineup at the Pony is diverse with so much talent packed into one month, you're sure to find an old, or new, favorite to enjoy. Visit stoneponyonline.com/ to purchase tickets.

LAUREN ALAINA

Lauren Alaina is ten years into her Nashville career and she has earned a reputation as one of the genre's most compelling storytellers. This "Top of the World Tour" will give you a glimpse into her bold lyrics that incorporate her struggles and heartaches. She is joined by special guest Spencer Crandall on Thursday, March 3 at 7p.m. on the Stone Pony stage. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door.

JUDAS PRIESTESS

Friday, March 4 is girl's night, so to speak, at the Pony. The all-girl tribute to metal gods Judas Priest hits the stage at 7p.m. with special guests Metal Life Crisis and more. Boys and girls alike will enjoy this heavy metal phenomenon and enjoy their take on classic metal. You can get your tickets in advance for \$20 or \$25 at the door.

JAKE CLEMONS BAND

Solo artist and E Street Band member Jake Clemons returns to The Pony with his band on Saturday,

March 5 at 7p.m. Kick off the show with Jake's cousin Jarod Clemons and his band, the Late Nights, as the opening act. Jake's musical endeavors this past decade have made him a familiar figure around the world and now is your chance to see him right in your backyard. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door.

TRAMPS LIKE US

Springsteen fans can roll right off the Clemons show into a two-set four-hour show of classic Bruce favorites when Tramps Like Us takes the stage on Friday, March 18. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the show runs from 8p.m. to midnight. Tramps Like Us is renowned for their fan rapport often playing endless requests from the audience during their shows. The Stone Pony is one of their favorite places to play and please Asbury Park fans. Grab your tickets \$22 in advance or \$25 at the door.

THE NERDS PLAID PARTY

The Nerds first-ever Plaid Party is at the one and only Stone Pony on Saturday, March 19. Celebrate St. Paddy's Day weekend dressed in your best plaids and enjoy the Nerds with special guest The 7th Realm. Doors open at 6:30p.m. and the show is 7p.m. to 11:30p.m. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. If you haven't experienced The Nerds live yet, here's your chance!

WOLF ALICE

UK favorites, Wolf Alice, will be on the Pony Stage on Thursday, March 24 at 7p.m. Ellie Rowswell (vocals, guitar), Joff Oddie (guitar, vocals), Joel Amey (drums) and Theo Ellis (bass) formed their band in 2015 and have seen success ever since. Their gold-selling debut album "My Love is

Cool" has soared to #2 on the UK charts and their sophomore album "Visions of a Life" picked up a Grammy nomination for Best Rock Performance.

SOCCER MOMMY

Sophie Allison, aka Soccer Mommy, takes the Stone Pony stage on Friday, March 25 with meaningful lyrics off her "color theory" album. The album confronts the ongoing mental health and familial trials that have plagued the 22-year-old artists since pre-pubescence, presenting listeners with an uncompromising honest self-portrait. Tickets are \$22 each on stoneponyonline.com

MOROCCAN SHEEPHERDERS

Come enjoy what the Moroccan Sheepherders themselves call a "heady melange of genres ranging from tribal ambient trance to hard-core, blue-eyed blues-rock," because after hearing that description, how could you not go hear it for yourself?! On Saturday, March 26 you have your chance to give this unique band a listen on the Stone Pony stage. Tickets are \$17 in advance and \$20 at the door.

THE RECORD COMPANY

This Los Angeles trio hits the Jersey Shore coming off their third album, "Play Loud" and pushing themselves into unchartered territory with new tracks that move beyond the homemade sound of The Record Company's first two albums. Band members Alex Stiff, Chris Vos and Marc Cazorla take the stage on Thursday, March 31 at 7p.m. Tickets are \$25 each on stoneponyonline.com.



TO DO

LIST

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE-THROW CONTEST

Date: Saturday, Feb. 26

Time: 3 p.m.

Location: Saint Catharine's School

Gymnasium Website: kofc.org

The Spring Lake Heights Knights of Columbus' free-throw contest will be Saturday, Feb. 26 at 3 p.m. The contest is taking place at Saint Catharine's School Gymnasium. There is no entry fee for the contest, and girls and boys ages nine to 14 can participate. In-person registration starts at 2 p.m., or register online at kofc. org.

VINTAGE COMPUTER FEDERATION SWAP MEET

Date: Feb. 26 Time: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Location: Infoage, 2201 Marconi Road, Wall, NJ 07719 Buildings 9010D, 9032A & 9001

Website: http://vcfed.org/wp/vcf-

swap-meet

The Vintage Computer Federation is hosting a swap meet where vintage computers & electronics, radios, TVs, amateur Radio, and Other Tech will be on display at Infoage for a special event on Feb.26. If you have technology you want on display, call 732-722-5015. Reservation doesn't guarantee sales. The Vintage Computer Federation is only providing a space, vendors must bring their own tables. In case of inclement weather, money paid will be refunded. All items that you bring must be taken with you. No items are to be left behind.

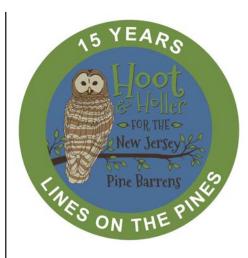
FISHING FLEA MARKET AND FISHING COLLECTIBLE SHOW

Date: Feb. 27

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Location: G. Harold Antrim Elementary School, 401 Niblick St., Point

Pleasant Beach

Contact: Mike Normile 732-213-2133



Learn the ABCs of the New Jersey Pine Barrens on Sunday, March 13 at the 15th Annual Lines on the Pines event. The annual gathering of artists, authors and artisans whose passion is the Pines join together annually in what has become the harbinger of spring for many OIG GOT Pine Barren enthusiasts. Held at the Stockton University Campus Center in

Galloway from 11am to 4pm, this event is free and open to the public. You can enjoy this indoor event that includes many kids activities. Visit linesonthepines.org for more information.





Asbury Park's Saint Patrick's Day Parade will be marching through the streets of Asbury Park in green garb and with cheer on Sunday, March 13, kicking off at 1p.m. You will not want to miss this unique parade filled with bagpipers, zombies, street mummers, drummers, fire trucks, dogs, bands of all sorts and more. The parade starts at 1pm in front of Convention Hall and heads south down Ocean Avenue and up Cookman, ending in front of Johnny Mac's House of Spirits where the fun continues.

or email: fishmarket@ofc1.org.

Event sponsored by Ocean Fire Company No. 1, new and used merchandise for sale. Refreshments available for purchase.

MONMOUTH SKI CLUB MEETING Date: March 2, 7:30p.m. Location: The Wild Rover, 153 Shrewsbury Avenue, Red Bank

Come and learn about the club and incentives for new members at this monthly meeting. The Monmouth Ski Club is an all season club with lodging available at their Vermont lodge, discount lift tickets available and club member activities like kayaking, fishing, hiking, golfing, etc. Monthly meetings are the first Wednesday of every month. Visit monmouthskiclub. com for more information.

AN EVENING WITH CLEAN OCEAN ACTION

Date: Thursday, March 3 Time: 6 p.m.

Location: Brielle Public Library, 610 South St.

Art for Sea will present an evening with Clean Ocean Action, with guest speaker Cindy Zipf, executive director. The interactive discussion will focus on a range of topics, including: New Jersey's recycled content bill and other recycling initiatives; New Jersey's plan to sell additional ocean acreage for industrial wind development; Observations from 35-plus years of beach sweeps. Attendees are requested to RSVP at www.artforsea.org/classeslectures. Art for Sea is a nonprofit organized in 2021 to support likeminded artists who wish to support ocean conservation initiatives, through the sale of donated artwork. The works on display at the Brielle Public Library are donated by local artists to support the American Littoral Society, Clean Ocean Action, NY/NJ Baykeepers and the Wetlands Institute.

BELMAR/LAKE COMO ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Date: Sunday, March 6, 12:30 p.m. Location: The parade route begins on North Lake Boulevard and Main Street in Lake Como and proceeds north along Belmar's Main Street toward Avonby-the-Sea.

Pipe bands, fire trucks, bands, parade floats will fill the streets beginning at 12:30p.m. For more information visit belmarparade.com

SHAM-ROCK FESTIVAL Date: Saturday March 12,

Out&About

12 to 4 p.m. **Location: Bay Avenue, Point** Pleasant Beach

Get ready to Sham-Rock out. There will be leprechauns, pots of gold, pipes & drums, music, dancing and so much more. The festival is a collaboration of the Chamber of Commerce and Point Pleasant Beach Committees. The event is free.

RUMSON ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Date: Saturday March 12, 1 p.m. **Location: The parade route starts** on Allen Street and River Road and ends at the intersection of **Carton Street and Forrest Avenue** (approximately one mile long).

For more information visit rumsonstpatricksdayparade.org. We anticipate the parade lasting 1½ hours.

OCEAN COUNTY ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Date: Saturday March 12. Noon **Location: The Boulevard, Seaside** Heights

For more information visit ocstpatricksdayparade.com.

ASBURY PARK ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Date: Sunday, March 13, 1 p.m. **Location: The parade will begin** on Ocean Ave with a Staging Area, the Reviewing Stand will be at Cookman Ave, and it will end on Main Street.

For more information, visit asburyparkstpatricksparade.com.

FREEHOLD ST. PATRICK'S DAY **PARADE**

Date: Sunday, March 13, 1 p.m. Location: The parade will begin at 10 East Main Street, Downtown Freehold

For more information, visit downtownfreehold.com.

HIGHLANDS ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Date: Sunday, March 19, 2 p.m. Location: The parade will begin at Waterwitch Avenue and proceed

down Bay Avenue.

For more information, visit highlandsnj.com.

KEYPORT ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Date: Sunday, March 19, 1-2 p.m.

For more information, visit Keyport St. Patrick's Day Parade on Facebook.

LINES ON THE PINES

Date: Sunday, March 13, 11a.m. to 4p.m.

Location: Stockton University

Campus Center, 101 Vera King Farris Drive, Galloway

It's a Sign of the Pines hosts the 15th annual Lines on the Pines event that includes book signings, history, arts, humanities, a craft show and everything NJ Plne Barrens. The event is free and open to the public. Visit linesonthepines.org for more information.

AN EVENING OF IRISH STORYTELLING: 'THIS IS YOUR BRAIN ON SHAMROCKS'

Date: Monday, March 14 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh-Belmar

The IACI-JS [Irish American Cultural Institute - Jersey Shore Chapter] presents Mike Farragher, author of "This is Your Brain on Shamrocks," for an evening of Irish storytelling and laughter on Monday, March 14 at 7 pm at Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh in Belmar. Guest admission is \$10 per person. Tickets are available on the night at the door.

ELKS LODGE CRAFT FAIR

Date: March 19 Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Location: Brick Elks Lodge 2151** Banquet Hall

The Brick Elks Lodge will be holding a craft fair on Saturday, March 19 at the Brick Elks Lodge 2151 Banquet Hall. The event will be held rain or shine, and food will be available for purchase including hamburgers, hotdogs and more. For any questions, contact Cristina Bradley at 732-977-7199 or email chrisnmarty7311@aol.com.

WARM UP WORKSHOP **FOR PAINTERS**

Date: Saturday March 26

Time: 11:00am - 2:00 pm Location: 608 River Rd Website: belmararts.org/

A new way to find your creative voice. This is a back-to-basics fun and creative art class making marks, experimenting with different materials and finding a renewed confidence through a variety of drawing, color, value and composition exercises. Artists should bring an assortment of art supplies. See our website for details https://www. belmararts.org/classes.html

POINT BEACH CHAMBER **LADIES NIGHT OUT**

Date: April 7 Time: 4 to 8 p.m.

Location: Downtown Business

District

Website: belmararts.org/

Enjoy a night of sales and shopping specials in our downtown area. Restaurants are open as well.

BOB ROSS PAINTING WORKSHOP

Date: April 10

Time: 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Location: 608 River Rd, Belmar N.J. 07719

Enjoy a night of sales and shopping specials in our downtown area. Restaurants are open as well.

EXPLORE WATERCOLOR PAINTING Date: Thursdays, March 24, 31

April 7, 14

Time: 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Location: Belmar Arts Center. 608

River Road

Instructor: Susanna Anastasia

A guaranteed painting with each class.

Susanna Anastasia comes to Belmar Arts having spent 30 plus years teaching the basics of watercolor painting. Students will begin to explore the mechanics of this medium along with the properties of paint, paper and water. You will be proud of the results. Beginners welcome. For more information, and to register, please visit: www. belmararts.org/classes.html.

MANASOUAN CHAMBER **CRAFT SHOW**

Date: Saturday, April 30 Time: 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. **Location: Squan Plaza**

ALLAIRE CRAFT SHOW

Date: Saturday, April 30 Time: 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Location: The Historic Village at

Allaire

MANASOUAN CHAMBER LADIES

NIGHT OUT

Date: Thursday, May 5 Time: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Downtown Business

District, Manasquan

MANASQUAN SPRING SIDEWALK SALE

Date: Friday, May 13 and Saturday, May 14

Time: 4 to 8 p.m.

Location: Downtown Business District, Manasquan

SPRING LAKE SIDEWALK SALE

Date: Saturday, May 28 and Sunday, May 29

Time: All day

Location: Downtown Spring Lake,



along Third Avenue

SPRING LAKE FIVE MILE RUN Date: Saturday, May 28 Location: Ocean Avenue, Spring Lake

Spring Lake

Visit springlake5.org/ for details.

SUMMERFEST

Date: Saturday, June 4,

11am to 7p.m.

Location: Community Park, 2255 Bridge Avenue, Point Pleasant

Free to attend. Rain date June 5.

WOMAN'S CLUB ART WALK Date: Saturday, June 18 Time: 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Location: Main Street, Manasquan

The Woman's Club of Manasquan is organizing an art walk to be held along Main Street on June 18. If you are an artist interested in showing or selling your work, applications can be found at womansclubofmanasquan.org.

WEEKLY ONGOING

INFOAGE SCIENCE HISTORY MUSEUMS

Date: Wednesdays, Saturdays

and Sundays Time: 1 - 5 p.m.

Location: 2201 Marconi Road

Website: Infoage.org

All visitors are required to wear masks; hand sanitizers will be available on site. For the immediate future, social distancing is required and strollers will not be allowed on site. InfoAge also does not recommend visitors under age 10 for health and safety reasons. Contact admsupport@infoage.org or call 732-280-3000 for information about field trips and student or family visits.

BELMAR HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

Date: Mondays, 2-4 p.m., Thursdays, 10 - noon, every second

Saturday, 1 - 3 p.m. Location: 900 E Street Face masks required for those not fully vaccinated. For more information call [908] 309-3380.

NEW JERSEY MUSEUM OF BOATING

Date: [winter hours] Open Saturdays and Sundays Time: Noon - 4 p.m.

Location: 1800 Bay Ave., Johnson Boat Works Building 13

Admission: Free; donations accepted

For special tours call 732-701-2581 or go to nimb.org to schedule complimentary tours for families, clubs and organizations

VINTAGE AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM OF NEW JERSEY

Date: Open Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Time: Noon - 4 p.m.

Location: 1800 Bay Ave., Building 13 Johnson Brothers Boat Works

Masks must be worn, hand sanitizer

will be available and the number of entrants in the museum at a time will be limited to ensure the health and well being of all.

CONCERTS

COUNT BASIE CENTER FOR THE ARTS Monmouth Street, Red Bank 732-242-8778

THE VOGEL

2/25 The Linda Ronstadt Experience 2/26 Yesterday Once More - Remembering The Carpenters

2/27 Colossal Street Jam: A Night 4 Sal 3/2 Puffs (One Act for Young Wizards) by Matt Cox

3/9 An Evening with Kiefer Sutherland 3/10 Los Lobos

3/11 Putting It Together - The Songs of Sondheim

3/13 The Irish Cabaret Starring Andy Cooney

3/17 Spyro Gyra



HACKENSACK MERIDIAN HEALTH THEATRE

2/23 The Price is Right Live! 2/24 Music. Money, Madness ... Jimi Hendrix Experience 2/25 Kansas: Point of Know Return

2/26 Tchaikosky's 'Patheétique' 2/27 Beth Hart - The Thankful Tour 2/28 Don Felder 3/1 The British Invasion

3/3 Paula Poundstone 3/4-3/5 Brian Fallon

3/4-3/5 Brian Fallon 3/6 Il Divo

3/7 It Was 50 Years Ago Today 3/8 Celtic Thunder: Ireland

3/9 Dream Theater

3/11 TUSK: The Number One Tribute to Fleetwood Mac

3/12 Light of Day 2022: Bob's Birthday Bash

3/17 Tedeschi Trucks Band

HOUSE OF INDEPENDENTS 572 Cookman Ave., Asbury Park

2/24 Gregor Barnett with Roger Harvey 2/25 The Little Mermen 2/25 Echo Kid 2/26 The House Party 2/27 Concert Crave Presents: Between the Buried and Me: Human is Hell Tour '22 3/2 New Jersey Is The World

3/4 Joe P 3/6 Leprous with The Ocean 3/10-11 Light of Day Winterfest

3/12 Halogens

THE JAY AND LINDA GRUNIN CENTER FOR THE ARTS College Drive, Toms River 732-255-0500

3/2 A Conversation with Davey Alba 3/3 The Real Irish Comedy Tour 3/8 Velocity 3/11 You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown 3/11 Artrageous 3/18 Alexander Lo 3/19 Prima Dance Celebration 3/19 Louis Prima, Jr. and the Witnesses 3/26 The Adventures of Tortoise and Hare: The Next Gen

2/25 Anna Keiserman and Chris Herbert

STONE PONY Ocean Avenue, Asbury Park

732-502-0600

2/25 Emo Night Brooklyn 2/26 Lucy Dacus 3/3 Lauren Alaina 3/5 Jake Clemons 3/12 Lawrence 3/18 Tramps Like Us 3/19 The Nerds 3/24 Wolf Alice 3/25 Soccer Mommy 3/26 Moroccan Sheepherders 3/31 The Record Company

THE WONDER BAR 1213 Ocean Avenue, Asbury Park 973-783-9500

2/25 Sandy Mack & Friends

2/26 Big Bang Baby
2/27 ShamRock N Roll
3/2 Mihali & Midnight North
3/4 Surfbort
3/5 Serious FM - Classic Rock Tribute
3/6 Cover Me: Best of The Eagles &
More
3/10 Sandy Mack's Wonder Jam

3/11 Sensational Soul Cruisers

THE WELLMONT THEATER Seymour Street, Montclair 973-783-9500

2/26 Unforgettable Fire - U2 Tribute 3/1 It Was 50 Years Ago Today: A Tribute to The Beatles 3/2 Daughtry 3/4 Justin Willman 3/11 Psychedelic furs 3/12 Ministry

THE STRAND THEATER Clifton Avenue, Lakewood 732-367-7789

3/18 Pop, Rock & Doo Wopp Live! 3/26 Yellow Brick Road A Tribute to Flton John

THEATER

ALGONQUIN ARTS THEATRE Main Street, Manasquan





2/26-3/6 Amadeus 3/12 Asbury Shorts New York 3/20 Vince Giordano & The Nighthawks 4/1-4/10 Cinderella 4/24 Father Alphonse Conducts Grand Opera

5/7-5/22 Into The Woods 6/9 Broadway Boardwalk Bash 7/16-7/31 Mary Poppins 8/12-8/21 The Who's Tommy

AXELROD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER Grant Avenue Ocean Township 732-531-9106

3/11-27 The Bridges of Madison County 4/8-10 Something's Coming

PARAMOUNT THEATER Ocean Avenue Asbury Park 732-897-6500

Now through March 13- Groundhog Day The Musical

MOVIES

THE SHOWROOM CINEMA 707 Cookman Ave., Asbury Park 732-502-0472

showroomcinemas.com

Now Playing: The Worst Person in the World, Belfast, Jockey, Drive My Car

BASIE CENTER CINEMAS 36 White Street, Red Bank 732-747-0335 thebasie.org

Now Playing: Studio 666, The Worst Person in the World

THE ATLANTIC MOVIEHOUSE 82 First Ave., Atlantic Highlands 732-204-2454

atlanticmoviehouse.com

Now Playing: Uncharted, Dog, Belfast, Marry Me, Sing 2, Cyrano

BOWLING ALLEYS

701 Route 35N, Neptune 732-775-6050 Shorelanesnj.com ASBURY LANES 209 4th Avenue, Asbury Par

RECREATION CENTER

bradleybowling.com

732-774-4540

SHORE LANES

BOWLING CENTER

1217 Main Street, Bradley Beach

209 4th Avenue, Asbury Park 732-361-6659 asburylanes.com

HOWELL LANES 1002 Route 9, Howell 732-462-6767 howelllanes.com

OCEAN LANES 2085 Lanes Mill Road, Lakewood 732-363-3421 oceanlanes.com

PLAYDROME TOMS RIVER 821 Conifer Street, Toms River 732-349-5345 playdromelanes.com

ROLLER/ICE SKATING JACKSON SKATING CENTER 2270 W. County Line Road Jackson 732-363-2222 sk8rollermagic.com

JERSEY SHORE ARENA 1215 Wyckoff Road, Wall Township 732-919-7070 jerseyshorearena.com

ICE SKATING/HOCKEY

WINDING RIVER SKATING CENTER 1211 Whitesville Road, Toms River 732-244-0720 Ice skating

HOWELL ICE ARENA 269 Squankum Road Farmingdale 732-919-7800 howellicearena.com Ice skating/hockey



Out&About

AQUARIUMS

JENKINSON'S AQUARIUM 300 Ocean Avenue Point Pleasant Beach 732-899-1212 jenkinsons.com/aquarium

ADVENTURE AQUARIUM 1 Riverside Drive, Camden 844-474-3474 adventureaguarium.com

PAINTBALL

TOPGUN PAINTBALL 567 Monmouth Road, Cream Ridge 732-928-2810 topgunpaintball.com

LONG LIVE PAINTBALL 1989 Englishtown Road Monroe Township 732-656-9566 longlivepaintball.com

COUSINS PAINTBALL NEW JERSEY 750 Whiting-New Egypt Road Manchester Township 631-698-6230 cousinspaintball.com

SHOOTING RANGES

SHORE SHOT PISTOL RANGE 730 Airport Road #4 Lakewood 732-905-6888 shoreshotpistolrange.com

BATTING CAGES

THE BALLPARK 269 Squankum Road, Farmingdale 732-919-1275 theballparknj.com

SWINGTIME 2390 Route 9S, Howell 732-845-0093 swingtimefamilyfun.com

FISHING CHARTERS

BOGAN'S DEEP SEA FISHING CENTER 800 Ashley Avenue, Brielle 732-528-5014 bogansbasin.com

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Local business Bungalow Road shares reflection of 2021, plans for 2022

BY ANTHONY J. GARCIA

NIGHT & DAY MAGAZINE

AVON-BY-THE-SEA — Bungalow Road, a business located at 507 Main St. has for over a decade offered customers items to purchase as gifts for loved ones.

What items does your store have for sale?

We sell women's clothing, jewelry, accessories, baby gifts, children's activities and crafts, candles and celebration gifts from weddings to birthdays to Mother's Day or even a simple hostess gift.

How has your business adapted because of the pandemic?

People are embracing entertainment at home. We continue to sell items that lend themselves to enjoying your home: candles, puzzles, fun cocktail napkins and dish towels, pretty serving platters.

What was the greatest challenge for the store in 2022?

Our biggest challenge was the supply chain. Due to the pandemic, many gift shows, venues for purchasing were canceled. We had to do our buying from catalogs and websites. It is always more helpful to see the product in person.

What's on the agenda for Bungalow Road in the new year?

Always on our agenda is finding new gift ideas that continue to satisfy customers and keep them coming back to shop

When did the store open?

We opened in Avon in 2011, Atlantic Highlands in 2014 and Sea Bright in 2018. We have four owners – Katie Cashman, Bridget Duffy, Chrissy Stansbury and Kara Wirin.

How can people get in touch with Bungalow Road?

Our stores are open seven days a week 10 a.m to 5 p.m. and Sundays noon to 4 p.m. Visit us on our website www.bungalowroad.com. Follow us and DM us @Bungalow_road.



COURTESY OF BUNGALOW ROAD'S FACEBOOK PAGE

Bungalow Road in Avon-by-the-Sea is the original location of the gift store, which has expanded since, opening two more locations.



Warm up on a cold winter's day with The Kitchen at 35's hot tomato soup and a cheesy and tasty grilled cheese sandwich. This Night & Day top pick is located at 2601 Route 35 in Manasquan and offers a large menu with plenty of breakfast, lunch and dinner





This Highlands staple, Bahrs Landing, was recently spotlighted in a Super Bowl commercial featuring the Soprano offspring, but if you visit, the lobster is the real star at this waterfront location. Bahrs offers a giant menu for lunch, dinner and specials with so many favorites to choose from. Be sure to visit the outdoor tiki bar when the weather warms.

> Leggett's Sand Bar offers wood fire brick oven pizza that is packed with flavor. This Margherita Pie is just one of 21 varieties available on the Leggett's menu. Grab a cold drink and a warm slice next time you're on the beachfront. Leggett's is located at 217 First Avenue, Manasquan.



Blend On Main's Asian Calamari is served artfully as a takeout container that took a spill. The domestic calamari is served battered with thai chili plum sauce and complimented by wasabi crema and nori furi kaki seasoning. It's a must have from the conversation starters menu at this 152 Main Street, Manasquan hot spot.





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Mayor Jennifer Naughton cuts the ribbon for the grand re-opening of Celebratory champagne is popped at the grand re-opening of Spring Lake Spring Lake Seafood on Third Ave.

Seafood on Third Ave.

Restaurant re-opening welcomed on historic site of former livery stable

BY COREY ROTHAUSER

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SPRING LAKE — Mayor Jennifer Naughton, along with members of the borough council, joined a gathering at 1300 Third Ave. this month, to celebrate the grand re-opening of a restaurant located in one of the borough's historic spots, home to a livery stable during the 1870's.

According to the Spring Lake Historical Society, the stable had been one of several operating in the borough during that era, but a fire in 1900 was followed by a rush of new construction along Third Avenue. It included a building on the former stable site that first housed Hill's Pharmacy and later Dale's Coffee Shop.

In May of 2021, the building was purchased by Bradley Rodriguez, 38, of Neptune, who opened Spring Lake Seafood there with his wife, operating through the summer, before closing for renovations.

By that time, the restaurant had established itself in the community as a good place to enjoy fresh seafood, according to Spring Lake councilwoman Syd Whalley.

"Ever since I was a little kid, I wanted to open up a fish market restaurant down here. I grew up going to Spike's, and I worked at the old Jody's [seafood market] in Manasquan that's now Surf Taco. I've always loved cooking, and the opportunity wasn't there until now."

BRADLEY RODRIGUEZ

"Having dined at Spring Lake Seafood many times since they opened last year, I am pleased to see the fresh look that Brad and Lula have created and anticipate many more delicious meals here. The whole town is excited to see the new look and have such great seafood within walking distance," said Ms. Whalley

For Mr. Rodriguez, who works with his wife Lula, daughter Rebecca, and his aunt, the re-opening of Spring Lake Seafood represents a lifelong dream.

"We took this space over the week before summer last year," Mr. Rodriguez said, "We did what we could to get through the summer. My wife and I knew we were going to renovate it. but we didn't realize it would be this good."

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To Mr. Rodriguez, Spring Lake is the perfect place for him to pursue the dream of owning a seafood restaurant. He's been fishing along the garden state coast for his whole life. He's recently done a lot of spearfishing, and Last year, he said he had over 130 dives.

"I've been fishing my whole life, started in freshwater but now mostly saltwater. I'm either on, in, under the water every day," he said.

"Spring Lake is the perfect spot for a fish market restaurant. You got to go to Klein's [Fish Market] in Belmar ... for the nearest one. The town and people of Spring Lake are awesome,

so this was a home run."

Mr. Rodriguez hopes to create a conscious business that ensures people get the best ingredients and know the difference in quality.

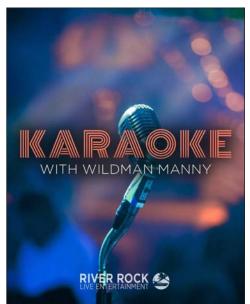
"The most important thing to let people know is that our mission is to create lasting memories and create a sustainable business model. If you look at trends in food and resources in the last 100 years, humankind is very good at abusing resources and trying to recreate them," said Mr. Rodriguez.

Mr. Rodriguez says his goals are to stay connected to the supply chain and find the most sustainable products in the market. He's helped open up seafood restaurants in the past and has forged relationships with suppliers across the state.

"There's a lot more transparency for consumers who are more educated on where their food is coming from. When people get it in their hands, and it's cooked properly, they really will notice the difference when they eat something grown properly and sustainably without added hormones or antibiotics."



Come party with The Ruckus at Lake Como's newest hotspot Salty's Beach Bar. The Jersey Shore party band will bring to life hits from all genres including country, dance, pop, rock and hip hop on the Salty's Beach Bar stage. The music starts at 8pm.



Trivia Night at Max Devros every Thursday, 6 to 8pm, is a great way to shake up your plans for the week and exercise your brain. Genopalooza Productions presents bingo, name that tune and general trivia for all to enjoy. It's free to play and prizes are offered at the Manasquan location.

Wednesdays are for Karaoke at River Rock Restaurant and Marina Bar, Brick Township. Join Wildman Manny up on the microphone to sing your favorite tune starting at 8:30p.m. Take advantage of the extended Happy Hour on Wednesdays from 3p.m. • 9p.m. with half priced bottles of select wines.







Cosmic Jerry Band will take the stage, err lanes, this Saturday, Feb 26 at 8pm at Asbury Lanes. Grab your tickets online for this 18 and over show. The doors open at 7p.m.



BY CYNTHIA ADAMS

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It's that time of year again. Basketballs swish the net and players take to the court for the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Tournament also known as March Madness. Selection Sunday kicks off on March 13 and the madness doesn't stop until the national championship game on Monday, April 4.

Don't miss out on this 68-team single-elimination tournament that boasts 67 games in 23 days ending with one national champion.

Head to your favorite bars in Monmouth and Ocean counties to catch all the games this season and enjoy food and drink specials. Fill out your bracket, throw on your jersey and cheer on your favorite team.

MJ'S RESTAURANTS

Various locations, visit mjsrestaurant.com Head to your nearest MJ's otherwise known as March Madness Headquarters, beginning on Sunday, March 13

for Selection Sunday and continuing through the national championship game on Monday, April 4. Enjoy \$2 Miller Lite Drafts and \$8 Skyy Vodka pints. Don't miss this chance to enjoy MJs Spicy Fried Chicken Sandwich, a limited time offer between March 13 to April 4 only.

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Manasguan

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