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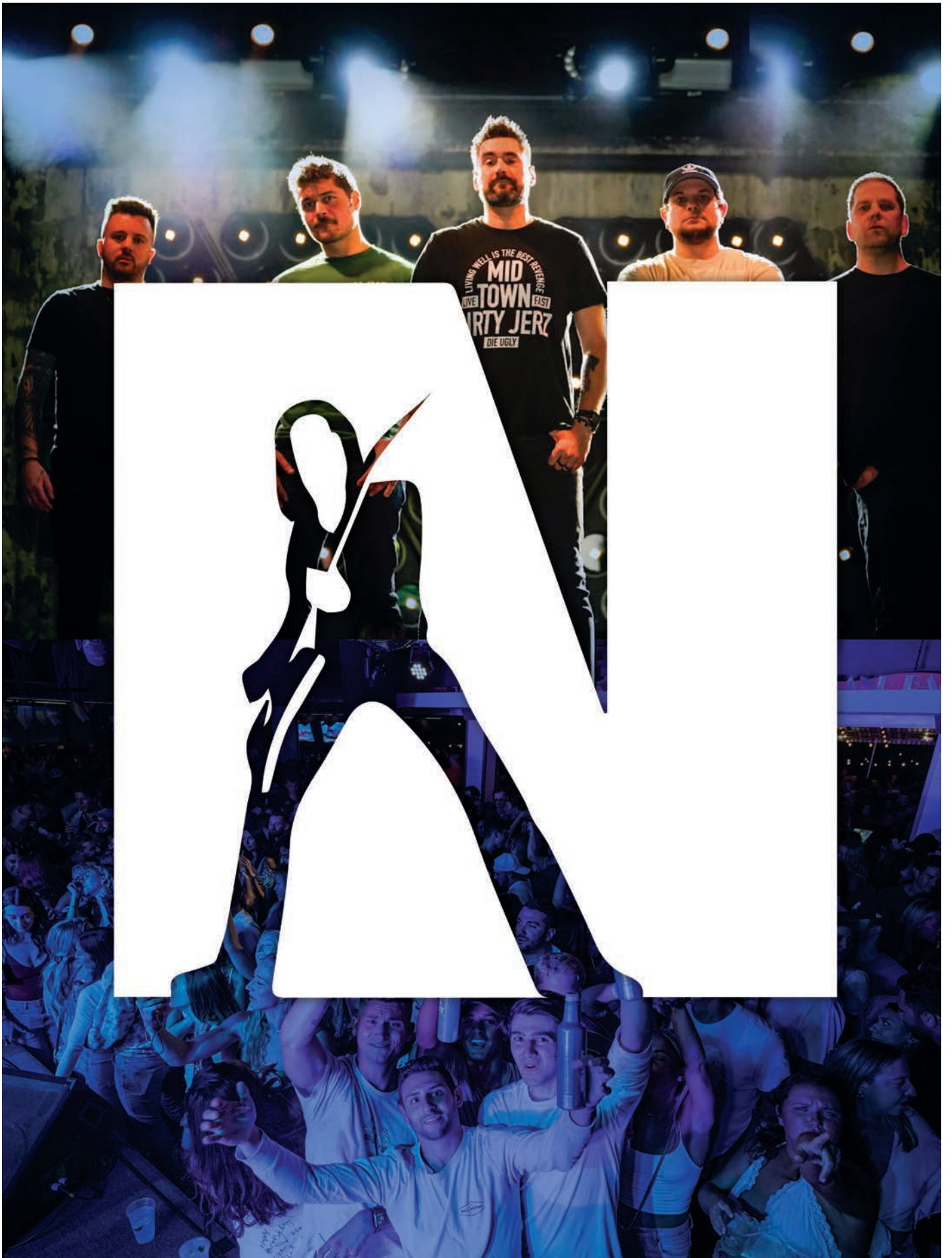
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Beaches get set to open

MONMOUTH AND OCEAN COUNTY BEACHES PREPARE FOR SUMMER

BY GIANNA MEHES AND N&D MAGAZINE STAFF

Beaches across the shoreline are preparing for a summer season full of fun in the sun.

ASBURY PARK

The legendary Asbury Park beach features beach umbrellas and chairs available to rent, with an adjacent boardwalk that features mini-golf, music, playgrounds, restaurants, retail, a splash park and more.

Daily badges on weekdays are \$6 and daily badges on weekends and holidays are \$9. Season badges for adults are \$70, and seniors, defined as ages 62 and up, are \$20. Season badges for teens (13-17) are \$20. Children 12 and under, with adult supervision, are free.

Active military personnel, their dependents, retired veterans, disabled veterans and non active veterans are free.

Purchase both daily and season badges at the beach office and online at apeachpasses.com. Daily badges can also be purchased on the boardwalk at First Avenue, and ticket booths at Asbury Avenue, Second Avenue, Third, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Avenues. Parking in the city is pay-station street parking.

AVON-BY-THE-SEA

The Avon Beach is open year round, but badges are required for access in the summer months. Avon-By-The-Sea beach badges are now on sale at the borough office on weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Credit and debit cards are not accepted; badges must be purchased by cash or check only.

Season badges cost \$100; Senior Citizen badges (65 and older; must provide proof of age) are \$55. Young adult badges (ages 12 through 18) are \$55. Daily wristbands are available for \$12, and can be bought at the tag booths located at Sylvania, Washington and Norwood avenues, throughout the summer. Ages 11 and under are free.

Lifeguards are present during weekends starting Memorial Day weekend. Lifeguards are on-duty from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. every day beginning Friday, June 17 through Labor Day. Parking is free, but limited to on-street spaces.

No refunds will be issued for lost or stolen badges. Active military personnel and their dependents are eligible for free daily badges with a presented identification card.

BAY HEAD

The Bay Head Improvement Association (BHIA) announced the 2024 beach badges are now available for purchase. Badges are required on all Bay Head beaches from June 15 through Labor Day.

A full season pass costs \$110, half season \$60 and daily passes can be purchased at the BHIA building at 532 Lake Ave. Cash is accepted only for daily badges.

The BHIA will be open on May 25, May 26, June 1 and June 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., daily from June 8 to June 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and daily from June 15 to Sept. 2 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

BELMAR

Starting Memorial Day weekend, beach badges are required for the beach and beachfront of Belmar on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Badges are required every day beginning June 17 through Sept. 2.

Every person aged 14 and older from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekends and holidays.

Bathing beaches have been designated at 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th,

for summer 2024 season



16th, 17th, 18th and 20th avenues, and any additional beaches at the discretion of the lifeguards. L Street Beach is open to swimming only when posted and staffed by a lifeguard.

Seasonal badges cost \$80 per person, with senior (ages 65 and older) and disabled season badges costing \$32. Daily badges cost \$12 per person.

Ticket booths are located at 3rd, 8th, 11th, 14th, 16th, and 19th Avenues, as well as the Beach offices at 5th and Ocean avenues inside the Taylor Pavilion. Badge sales end a half hour before the end of business hours.

BRADLEY BEACH

Lifeguards are back on Bradley's beaches starting on weekends and holidays on Saturday, May 25, and return full time seven days a week on Monday, June 17 and will be working up until September 2.

Seasonal badges for Bradley Beach cost \$85 for adults between the ages of 16 and 64, \$37 for seniors over the age of 65 and \$37 for juniors between the ages 13 and 15. Daily beach badges for Bradley Beach for the 2024 season cost \$13 per person over the age of 13, weekly badges cost \$45. Children under the age of 12 are welcome to the beach free of charge. Active military personnel and spouses as well as veterans are admitted to the beach free of charge upon providing proper identification.

The beach is accessible via wheelchair at Cliff, Brinley, Third and Evergreen Avenues, with specialized beach chairs available. Public restrooms and changing rooms are located on Cliff, LaReine, Third and Evergreen avenues, with showers at every beach entrance.

BRICK TOWNSHIP

Brick Township's Beach One is located at 310 Route 35 North. Amenities include outdoor showers, concessions, lockers, parking and restrooms.

Brick Beach Two is located at 354 Route 35 North. There are no concessions, bathrooms or parking at this beach. You can reach Beach Two from Beach One or Three.

Brick Beach 3 is located at 440 Route 35 North. This beach has restrooms, showers, concessions and lockers.

Season badges cost \$45; a daily wristband will cost \$10; season parking costs \$45; daily parking costs \$10; senior citizen parking costs \$1 per day and children 12 and under can enter for free.

Any person who will be age 65 or older by Sept. 1, 2024 may receive a free wristband for access to Brick Township's beaches. Each person requesting a wristband must provide valid proof of age. One wristband per person. Senior wristbands are available at the beaches only.

Any veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces can obtain

a wristband for daily access to Brick Township's beaches by showing a military ID at the beach. Limit one wristband per person.

ISLAND BEACH STATE PARK

Miles of sand dunes and white sandy beaches offer habitat to maritime plants and diverse wildlife including the state's largest osprey colony, as well as peregrine falcons, wading birds, shorebirds, waterfowl and migrating songbirds. Swimming and surf fishing are very popular.

Weekdays for New Jersey residents: \$6 per car; nonresidents \$12.

Weekends and holidays for New Jersey residents: \$10; nonresidents \$20.

Restrooms/showers: located in the pavilions

Parking: Included in per-car entry fee

LAVALLETTE

There is no fee for children under the age of 12 years. Badges cost \$65 per person, per season. Seasonal badges are available throughout the season; \$35 per person per week or fraction thereof. According to the borough website, a "week" is defined as the period from Saturday through the following Saturday.

The cost is \$13 per person for each daily badge. Seasonal discounts include \$20 per person for the entire bathing season for those 65 years or older; and



\$15 per person for any “totally disabled person.” Identification is required. There will be no charge for all veterans of any military service and all military service personnel on active duty status. Identification is required.

Visa, MasterCard and Discover card payments can be accepted, however a 3% charge will be added on to the total charge.

Starting May 20, the badge office will reopen at the corner of Baltimore Avenue and Jersey City Avenue. It will be open Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. On Memorial Day weekend,

May 24 through 26, the badge office will have special hours of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. From June 10 through Sept. 2, the hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Beach badges must be worn at all times, visible on the front of the bathing suit. This applies to both ocean and bay beaches.

LONG BRANCH

Daily badge weekdays: \$6

Daily badge weekends & holidays: \$9; \$3 for ages 14-17; under age 13: Free

62 and older with ID and disabled individuals: Free
Season badge adults 18-61: \$70; 62 and over: Free
Disabled beach users: Free

Season badge students 14-17: \$30; 13 and under free

Season badges are available in-person only at the Recreation office or the Tax Collector’s office. Badges are for Long Branch Municipal Beaches, not Seven Presidents.

Restrooms/showers: Located at West End Avenue, Cottage Place, N. Bath Avenue, Great Lawn

Beach, Laird Street Beach, Seaview Avenue, Chelsea Avenue and Morris Avenue Beach. There are also shower towers located at Brighton Avenue, S. Bath Avenue and Pavilion Avenue. Parking: \$10 per day in public lots

Of note: On the boardwalk, Pier Village offers restaurants and shops. Stair accessible beaches include: Brighton Avenue, West End Avenue, Cottage Avenue, South Bath Avenue, North Bath Avenue, Pavilion Avenue, Morris Avenue, Chelsea Avenue (two entrances), Great Lawn and Seaview Avenue. Sand ramps can be found at Beachfront North, Madison Avenue, Laird Street, Melrose Place and Morris Avenue, and ADA compliant ramps at Morris Ave. N, Chelsea Avenue, Pavilion Avenue, North Bath Avenue, Cottage Place and West End Avenue. Surf and water chairs are available on a limited basis by speaking with any ticket booth representative or calling the Beach Office at 732-571-5697 for assistance.

MANASQUAN

Badges are required for all individuals ages 12 or older. Daily beach badges cost \$12, and weekly

badges cost \$50. Daily badges sold to individuals caught on the beach without a badge who then choose to purchase a badge would cost \$28.

For juniors (12 to 16 years old), seasonal beach badges cost \$45. For adults (17 to 64), seasonal badges cost \$90. For seniors (65 and older), seasonal badges cost \$35.

Daily parking is \$15 plus applicable mobile app surcharges Monday through Thursday and \$20 plus applicable mobile app surcharges Friday through Sunday. Parking permits for buses containing 20 or more people cost \$35. Seasonal parking passes cost \$125.

There will be beach badge sales and pickup on May 24 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and May 25 through 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Manasquan Beach Office, 205 Beachfront. The beach office will also be open on weekends in June, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and daily from July 15 onward from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MANTOLOKING

Mantoloking preseason beach badges are now on sale through the end of business on Memorial Day at a discounted rate of \$110.

They may be purchased in person or via a mail-in option which can be found on the borough website: mantoloking.org under the ‘Beaches’ tab. Accepted payment options include all major credit cards (plus fee) and checks with identification. There is no cash option.

Badges are available through May 26 at the police department window Monday through Thursday and Downer sales shed Friday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; May 27 will be the final day for pre-



season badges at the Downer sales shed on Monday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. These days and hours are subject to change but will be posted.

According to the Mantoloking Police Department, if interested persons miss the window to pick up their pre-ordered badges, they can pick them up during regular business hours/days starting June 15.

The trailer will be closed from May 28 to June 14 and will resume again for the season starting Saturday, June 15 daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Labor Day. At that time, the prices will be at the regular season price of \$120 and daily wristbands will also be available for \$13.

MONMOUTH BEACH

Daily badge (12+): \$12

Season badge (12+): \$100

Restrooms/showers: available at 29 Ocean Ave.

Parking: Free on street and a large lot at the South end of the beach

OCEAN GROVE

Daily badge: \$12

Season badge adult: \$95

Season badge youth/senior: \$50

Purchase season badges online at oceangrove.org/badges and pick up in person, or purchase online and receive by mail. You can also purchase in-person by visiting the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting office during regular hours.

Restrooms: Located at Ocean Avenue, Ocean Ave. & Ocean Pathway, Embury Avenue

Showers: Public on the boardwalk

Parking: Free on the street

Of note: Beach concessions located on the beach as well as beach chair and umbrella rentals.

POINT PLEASANT

Beach badges are available for the two riverfronts in Point Pleasant Borough, the Maxson Avenue and River Avenue beaches. Children ages 5 and under are

free; ages 6 to 59 are \$20; and ages 60 and over are \$10. All badges can be purchased at the recreation center at 1001 River Ave.

Maxson Avenue Beach is a municipal beach on the Manasquan River, located next to Riverfront Park at the end of Maxson Avenue. This beach offers a playground including handicapped facilities, a fishing pier and a handicapped accessible walkway. Shade is available on the walkway to view the river. Restrooms are also available when the lifeguards are on duty.

River Avenue Beach is located one block west of Maxson Avenue, also on the Manasquan River. This beach offers a playground and picnic area. Restrooms available when the lifeguards are on duty. Also at this beach is a large swimming area available and a large parking area.

The beaches will open for the season during the last week of school in June. The hours of operation will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, when weather permits.

POINT PLEASANT BEACH

Unique among the area beach towns are Point Pleasant Beach's privately-owned beaches. Currently, the only beach which is owned by the borough of Point Pleasant Beach is Maryland Avenue beach. As of press time for this guide, an introduced ordinance would increase cooler sizes and extend the closing time of beaches public and private to 8 p.m., if adopted.

On Maryland Avenue beach, there is no fee for children under the age of 12 years accompanied by an adult. Badges cost \$145 per person, per season. Seasonal badge discounts are available throughout the season for seniors at \$85.

The cost is \$18 per person for each daily badge, with a discounted price of \$10 for emergency responders and people over 65. There will be no charge for all veterans of any military service and all military service personnel on active duty status. Identification is required for these daily discounts.

At the north end, visitors will find Jenkinson's, the borough's largest beach, which is privately-owned. Seasonal rates for Jenkinson's beaches this year are as follows: children under five years old, free; children five to 11, \$55; adults 12 and older, \$130; seniors 65 and older, \$95. Half-season badge rates are children five to 11, \$35; and adults 12 and older, \$95. These rates include use of the bathhouse facilities.

Daily badges are also available for purchase at Jenkinson's for the following rates: children under five years old, free; children five to 11, \$4; and adults 12 and older, \$13. These rates increase by \$1 on weekends and holidays in the summer. Beach chairs cost \$11 to rent. Umbrellas will be \$12 and lounge chairs are \$15 each or two for \$25.

As for other beaches, Martell's extends in front of its namesake, Martell's Tiki Bar, where visitors can grab snacks and drinks while they relax in the sand. South of Martell's, visitors will find Ridsen's beach, located between Trenton and New Jersey avenues. The beach has a bathhouse with restrooms and changing rooms and ample parking. As you continue to travel south, you'll find Bradshaw Beach at the end of Washington Avenue.

Find the individual beaches online for information on badges, parking, umbrella rentals, restrooms and more. Opening day for the beaches is Memorial Day.

SANDY HOOK

Popular for views of the Manhattan skyline and the occasional sunning seals, a visit to Sandy Hook beaches is always a treasure. Daily parking is \$20 per car and seasonal parking is \$100. Beaches and parks on Sandy Hook are free.

Restrooms/showers: Available at all beach areas, but there is limited availability of showers and changing rooms.



SEA GIRT

On June 15, Sea Girt beach will open full-time — 7 days a week between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Starting Memorial Day Weekend, beaches are open only on weekends, including the dates of May 25, 26, 27 and June 1, 2, 8 and 9.

Sea Girt beach badges are now available on the borough's website under the 'Beach' tab, and must be purchased online, cash or checks will not be accepted. A badge or wristband is required for all beachgoers ages 12 and up.

Season badges cost \$115 and Senior Badges, for those 65 or older, are \$70. Daily wristbands cost \$11.98 each and will go on sale closer to the start of the season. Check seagirtbadges.com for details and updates. Gift boxes are also available for \$2 each, and as of now, the badge shipping option is no longer available.

Prior to beach season opening, badges can be picked up between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on May 11, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24 at the Beach Pavilion. On the weekends only, badges can also be picked up at May 25, 26, 27 and June 1, 2, 8 and 9 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

During the week from June 15 on, badges can be picked up between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

There will be no refund or free replacements for lost badges, they must be repurchased.

For more information or for questions, visit seagirt-nj.gov, call 732-449-9433 ext. 601 or email beach@seagirtboro.com.

SEASIDE HEIGHTS

Daily badge (11+): \$13

Weekly badge (Saturday through Friday of following week): \$50

Season badge (11+): \$75

Season badge (65+): \$15

Military veterans or active duty (with ID) and dependents: Free

Restrooms/showers: Located on the boardwalk at Hierarchy, Kearney, and Webster avenues. Hot showers, lockers, and changing rooms are available for \$3 at the Hierarchy Avenue building

Parking: Free on street

Of note: Public access to the beach can be found on almost every block. The northern end of the beach is reserved for surfing. Boardwalk, food and fun available. Offers beach fee discounts throughout the summer.

SEASIDE PARK

Daily badge: \$13

Weekly badge: \$40

Season badge: \$65 until June 14; \$70 thereafter

Season badge seniors: \$20

Under 11: Free

In-person sales at Bathhouse on boardwalk between N and O streets; Stockton Ave., L St., F St., Brighton Ave., 2nd Ave., 5th Bay, 7th Ave., 14th Bay. Street locations during beach seasons are credit card only.

Restrooms/showers: Located near the intersection of 6th and SE Central Aves. on 13th Ave., and at the Boathouse on North Central Ave.

Parking: Street and lot parking available, rates vary.

Of note: Popular beach featuring a myriad of

shops, accommodations and restaurants, plus a boardwalk offering rides, fun and games for the whole family. Public access to the beach can be found on almost every block.

SEVEN PRESIDENTS OCEANFRONT PARK, LONG BRANCH

Featuring a 38-acre beach park open for swimming, sun and surf, Seven Presidents Oceanfront Park in Long Branch is a treat for all. A snack bar, covered eating area and outdoor showers are available to beach patrons, as is a beach volleyball court.

Daily badges for adults over age 18 are \$10, and free for children under age 18. There is no charge for daily admission of military and veterans.

Season badges for adults (18+) are \$75; and season badges for seniors (65+ with ID) are \$30. Children younger than 17 are free.

Season badges for NJ disability pass holders are \$20.

SPRING LAKE

Badges are required for all those who are 12 years of age or older to use either the beach or pool. Children ages six to 11 must also have a badge for the pool.

Daily beach/pool badges cost \$20. For children ages six to 11, the pool-only badge costs \$10. Seasonal badges for the beach only cost \$110 for those 12 years of age or older, \$80 for seniors (65 or older) and \$70 for badges purchased on or after Aug. 1.

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HISTORIC *Lighthouses* offer guided, self-led tours this summer

BY SAMANTHA SMITH
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Looking to spend a summer afternoon touring a local historic lighthouse? Here are a few in Monmouth and Ocean counties, offering various walk-throughs, event spaces and picturesque views.

SEA GIRL LIGHTHOUSE

The Sea Girl Lighthouse located at 9 Ocean Ave. North is open for the season with self- and group-guided tours available Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m.

The lighthouse is open every Sunday between early April and late November – with the exception of holiday

weekends including Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Father's Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Columbus Day and Veterans Day – and will officially close again for the winter season on Sunday, Nov. 24.

The Sea Girt Lighthouse flashed its first beam on Dec. 10, 1896. The beacon, which could be seen 15 miles offshore, safely guided boaters along their path and contributed to the state's economic growth over the years. It was decommissioned during World War II.

Now, the lighthouse is open to the public for nearly 200 days out of the year.

Today, the building provides a meeting place for town-wide organizations including an artist club, fishing club, class reunions, personal gatherings and special events such as the Moonlight Tour. This season, the lighthouse will present a slew of new exhibits and will welcome the public to come and enjoy the history and the views.

Every August, the Sea Girt Lighthouse Citizens Committee hosts a membership fundraiser, a two-hour cocktail party with catered food and refreshments, that assists in raising funds towards the historic preservation and upkeep of the building, including its facade and windows.

For additional information, call 732-974-0514, or write to the Sea Girt Lighthouse Citizens Committee, P.O. Box 83. Donations from those who choose to contribute are always welcome.

SANDY HOOK LIGHTHOUSE

The Sandy Hook Lighthouse, located at 84 Mercer Road in the Highlands, just one-and-a-half miles inland from the tip of Sandy Hook, is the oldest working lighthouse in the United States.

"A committee of prominent New York citizens was authorized to establish the lottery and purchase "a small quantity of land" at the tip of Sandy Hook to build a lighthouse," states the National Park Service website.



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The National Park Service offers tours of the Sandy Hook Lighthouse on a seasonal basis open to the public on weekends between May 1 and Oct. 31 from 1 to 4:30 p.m. and Nov. 1 through April 30 from 1 and 3:30 p.m.

For all tours, visitors must be joined by a park ranger to climb the 95 stairs and a nine-rung ladder to the top of the lighthouse. All attendees must be at least 48 inches tall.

Visitors must sign up in person at the Sandy Hook Visitor Center, the day of the tour.

For further information and updates, contact the visitor center at 732-872-5970, located at the Gateway National Recreation Area in the Highlands.

TWIN LIGHTS STATE HISTORIC SITE

The Twin Lights State Historic Site, also known as the Navesink Twin Lights, located at 2 Light House Road in the Highlands, is now open and available for tours, its museum and a tower climb.

Visitors can choose between either a self-tour admission or a private tour. The self-tour offers sights of all open areas and exhibits, with museums and grounds free of charge. The parking lot gate and grounds open at 9 a.m. and close promptly at 4:30 p.m.

For a private tour of the grounds, it is advised that attendees visit the New Jersey Parks Historian on site a few days ahead of time, if possible.

Private tours cost \$12 per person ages 12 and above and \$2 per child ages 5 to 12. This also includes a tower climb fee, which can be paid in cash or check only.

The property also allows for spacing for events, including serene views, adequate picnic areas and an auditorium that can hold 40 people at tables, as well as the museum and exhibit.

It is recommended that one schedules their private tour at least three days in advance by either calling 732-872-1814 or by visiting twilightlighthouse.org. More information can be found at the aforementioned contacts.

BARNEGAT LIGHTHOUSE STATE PARK

Barnegat Lighthouse State Park, located at 208 Broadway, Barnegat Light, offers visitors a scenic view of the Barnegat Bay, Island Beach State Park and Long Beach Island from the top.

The lighthouse, free of charge prior to Memorial Day, is open to the public daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (weather permitting) from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Visitors can also watch the views from the top without climbing the 217 steps thanks to four cameras that transmit live images of the view to a display in the nearby Interpretive Center. The Interpretive Center is open between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

According to the NJ.gov website, "Illuminated on January 1, 2009 — exactly 150 years to the day that it was originally lit in 1859 — the beloved Barnegat Lighthouse is shining again! The new light creates a single beam that is visible for up to 22 nautical miles and is once again a formal aid to navigation."

Further noting that, "In 1927, the original lens was removed, and was replaced by a lightship anchored off the coast of Barnegat Light. The original lens is still on display at the nearby Barnegat Light Historical Society's Schoolhouse Museum."

For questions or more information, call 609-494-2016 from Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., or email parks@dep.nj.gov.



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BY KIERAN SULLIVAN
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Whether it's a day at the racetrack or under the lights at Wall Stadium, there is no need to leave the area to enjoy fierce competition and fun times at the Shore this summer.

JERSEY SHORE BLUECLAWS

The Jersey Shore Blueclaws are a minor league High-A division baseball team and affiliate of the Philadelphia Phillies that have played ball in Lakewood since 2001. Throughout the summer, the Blueclaws host teams from across the country in Ocean County; with players all trying to make it to the big show, the majors. The likes of Ryan Howard, Chase Utley, Cole Hammels and other big league stars have got their start in Lakewood; you too can see the future of baseball just around the corner this summer. With a capacity of over 6,500 seats, ShoreTown Ballpark has enough room for the entire family and features specialty nights throughout the summer including post game fireworks, Marvel night, Star Wars night, Christmas in July and more summer fun celebrations! From April to the end of August, the BlueClaws play in front of the enthusiastic with tickets starting as low as \$20 for a day or night out at the ballpark. For more information on the BlueClaws, game schedule and ticket purchases; visit milb.com/jersey-shore.

WALL STADIUM

Route 34 in Wall Township is home to New Jersey's most exciting premier car racing venue, Wall Stadium. Since 1950, the one-third mile high banked oval asphalt track has been the epicenter of thrilling stock car races in the local area. Throughout the summer, on select Friday and Saturday nights Wall Stadium roars at the shore with excitement with an array of lively races for top tier local entertainment. With a series of different style races, the stadium presents themed nights throughout the season including family fun night, demolition derby, 80s night, holiday specials, country western night and so much more. Grandstand general admission tickets start at \$19 for adults, \$17 for seniors (62+), \$10 for students and active military personnel and ages 6 and under enjoy the show for free. From April until November, the speedway puts on entertaining races for all of the public to enjoy, including a special salute to veterans planned for Saturday, May 25 at the 4 p.m. event. As part of this salute, all veterans and active duty military will enjoy free grandstand admission. To learn more about the entertaining events throughout the summer held at Wall Stadium visit the track website, wallstadiumspeedway.com.

MONMOUTH PARK RACETRACK

The ponies are running all summer long at Monmouth Park Race-



track. The 2024 season kicks off on May 11 and runs celebrations throughout the summer until closing day on September 15. Every Saturday and Sunday and select Thursdays and Fridays live horse racing begins at 12:50 p.m., with post times subject to change. Monmouth Park also holds select festivals throughout the summer including the Jersey Shore Food Truck Festival, which will coincide with Memorial Day Weekend on May 25, 26 and 27, the annual Irish Festival on June 9, a Father's Day celebration on June 16, Classic Car and oldies day on July 7, Italian Festival and wine tasting on July 27 and 28, Latin Festival on August 4, Surf and Turf Seafood Festival on August 17 and 18 and New Jersey Thoroughbred festival and craft beer festival between August 31 and September 2 to name a few of the many celebrations held at the park this summer. The 2024 Haskell, the premier horse racing event held at Monmouth Park, will be held on July 20. The nation's top 3 year old horses converge at the track in Long Branch to \$1,000,000 stake, with five featured races and family fun day activities including clowns, face painters and pony rides. Gates open at 9 a.m. and the first race going to post at 12:50 p.m., make sure to arrive early to secure your free haskell hat. For more information on events at the park, race schedules and more, visit monmouthpark.com.

F.C. MONMOUTH

With the World Cup coming to New Jersey in 2026, get ready for the stars of world soccer with the semi-professional team F.C. Monmouth, located out of Red Bank. Playing in the National Premier Soccer League, F.C. Monmouth is a men's semi-professional soccer team competing against teams from across the country. Local talent from across the county compete with F.C. Monmouth with the hopes of advancing their careers to the next level. With six home games for the 2024 summer season F.C. Monmouth plays at Count Basie Field in Red Bank on May 15, June 1, June 15, June 22 and June 29 competing against other teams in the Northeast Region Keystone Conference from New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware. For more information on F.C. Monmouth, away scheduling and ticket purchases visit fcomonmouth.com.

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MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATIONS IN OUR AREA

BRADLEY BEACH

Bradley Beach will be holding its annual Memorial Day Weekend Festival on Saturday, May 25 and Sunday, May 26. The festival includes a memorial parade along Ocean Avenue, with a promising procession along with an array of boardwalk activities and live music to kick off the 2024 summer. Additionally, on May 27 at 11 a.m., a service will take place in honor of Memorial Day. The parade kicks off at 10 a.m. A ceremonial festival will be held on the boardwalk following Saturday's parade and on Sunday. Arts and crafts, local vendors, food and music will continue the celebration along the Bradley Beach promenade. DJ Jay will be playing music from 1 to 5 p.m., followed by Little by Little, a local band that will be playing from 5 to 7 p.m. on Saturday in the 5th Avenue Gazebo.

BRICK TOWNSHIP

Hosted by the American Legion Post 348, VFW Post 8867 and the Township of Brick, the Annual Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 27. The parade, which will feature veteran service organizations, marching bands, local youth groups and more, will follow the Elks Point Memorial Service at 8:30 a.m., steps off at 10 a.m. and will march on Chambers Bridge Road, which will be closed from 9:30 to parade completion, from Route 70 to the Municipal Building. A ceremony will follow the parade.

FREEHOLD

Hosted by American Legion Post 54, the P.I. Phillip A. Reynolds Detachment Marine Corps League, Disabled American Veterans Chapter #74, Oglensky-Jackson Post #359, Jewish War Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #4374, and the Borough

and Township of Freehold, the Annual Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 27. The parade, which is now in its 150th year, will feature veteran service organizations, marching bands, local youth groups and more, and will follow a Memorial Service at Elks Point at 8:30 a.m. It begins at 9:45 a.m. and will start at the corner of Brinkerhoff Avenue and Main Street and continue down Main Street to the center of town.

MANASQUAN

Hosted by the VFW Post 1838, the Annual Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 27. The parade, which will feature veteran service organizations, marching bands, local youth groups and more, steps off at the high school at approximately 10:30 a.m. with a ceremony in the Plaza at 11 a.m.

POINT PLEASANT BEACH

Point Beach's annual Memorial Day Bike Parade will be returning to the borough's roads this year on Saturday, May 25, giving patriots of all ages the opportunity to deck their bikes, wagons, strollers and other means of transportation in red, white and blue to commemorate the holiday. The parade, this year in its 22nd iteration, will begin in the parking lot of

For Shore Pools and take participants down the borough's main thoroughfare, Arnold Avenue, to the Silver Lake parking lot at the corner of Arnold and Baltimore avenues.

SEA GIRL

The borough's annual Sea Girt Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony is set to take place on Monday, May 27 starting at 8:30 a.m. in front of Sea Girt Elementary School (SGES) at Bell Place. Participants will meet at Bell Place at 8:30 a.m. The parade will then leave Bell Place and travel to Washington Boulevard at 8:45 a.m., before the ceremony begins at 9 a.m. at The Plaza. The parade route will travel from SGES to Washington Boulevard to Fifth Avenue and then to Boston Boulevard, before finishing off at The Plaza.

TOMS RIVER

The town's annual parade, organized by George P. Vanderveer American Legion Post 129, is set to take place on Monday, May 27 starting at 9:30 a.m. in the downtown area. The parade travels down Main Street to Washington Street and ends with a ceremony at town hall.



BRICK TOWNSHIP MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

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Saturday, May 25 and Sunday, May 26
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Saturday, June 1
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Community Park, Point Pleasant

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ASBURYFEST

June 7, 8, 9
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Thursdays, beginning June 6
7 to 9:30 p.m.
Hall of Records
downtownfreehold.com
June 6: Winslow- An Evening of the Eagles;
June 13: Pat Roddy Band, June 20: Mission
Dance; June 27: The Tequila Rose Band

MARKETS

ASBURY FRESH FARMERS & MAKERS MARKET

Sunday, May 26, June 9, Jun 16
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Press Plaza, Asbury Park
asburyfresh.com

Asbury Park's beloved farmers and makers market is held weekly on Sundays downtown in Asbury Park.

BELL WORKS SATURDAY MAKERS MARKET

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BRADLEY BEACH MAIN STREET MARKET

Saturday, June 1, July 6,
Aug. 3, Sept. 7
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Riley Park
Bradley Beach
asburyfresh.com

Every first Saturday of the month, Riley Park will host this bustling pop-up market, featuring local artisans and businesses displaying their handmade goods, culinary provisions and providing family activities.

BRICK FARMERS MARKET

Now through Sept. 28
9 a.m.
Windward Beach Park,
265 Princeton Avenue
bricktownship.net

Celebrating its 10th season in 2024, the Brick Farmers Market is returning with nearly 60 vendors offering everything from fresh farm produce and artisanal foods to craft beers and handmade crafts. The Brick Farmers Market is held on Saturdays from May 4 through September 28 at Windward Beach Park. The market goes until 1:30 p.m. Admission is free and leashed friendly dogs are permitted.

FREEHOLD FARMERS MARKET

Fridays, June 28 through October
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POINT BEACH SUMMER FARMERS MARKET

Sundays, May - Sept. 8
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
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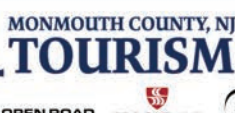


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SUMMER GEAR

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1. Surfboards (Channel Islands, Ricky Carroll, Rusty & Torq), Eastern Lines Surf Shop, Ocean Avenue, Belmar. easternlines.com

2. Mommy & Me Swimwear, Palm Place, Sea Girt Square, Sea Girt. palmplacenj.com

3. Weber Sunglasses, Faherty, Shrewsbury and Spring Lake. fahertybrand.com

4. Foldable Sunglasses, Faherty, Shrewsbury and Spring Lake. fahertybrand.com

5. Menswear, Brave New World, Little Silver, Manasquan, Point Pleasant Beach, Toms River. bravesurf.com

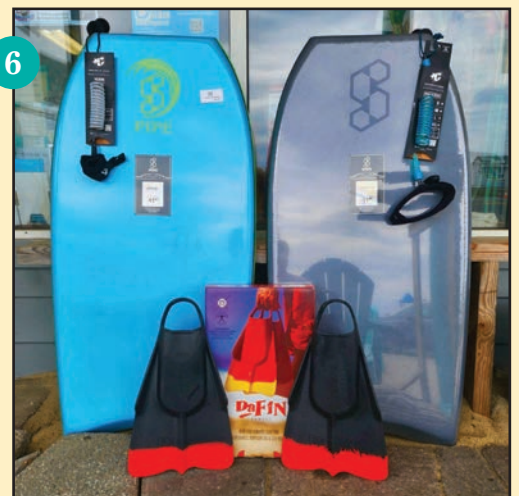
6. New Science Bodyboards with DaFin Swim Fins, Eastern Lines Surf Shop, Ocean Avenue, Belmar. easternlines.com



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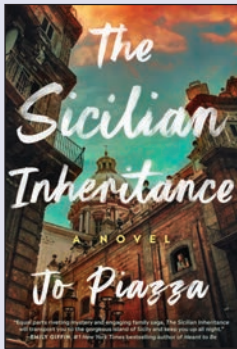


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WHAT BOOKSELLERS ARE READING THIS SUMMER



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'SUMMERS AT THE SAINT'
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PODCAST

'THE RED THREAD'

Jackson Clarke, Isaiah Nichols, Charlie White

The Red Thread is a new collaborative project between three friends — Jackson, Isaiah and Charlie — in which any eerie subject can be brought to be dissected. From true crime cases to conspiracy theories to supernatural entities: every other week, they'll be breaking down something new. **Recommended for ages 17+**.

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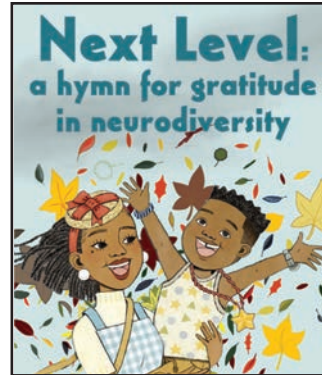
'AWFUL ARCHAEOLOGY'

Representing the bright young minds breaking into academia, Archaeologist Milo Rossi has toured the nation on a motorcycle, visited dig sites in Türkiye on historical tours, published a book, and has even recently given a lecture at Virginia Tech. If you were disappointed by the supernatural direction of the History Channel, get real with Milo. **Recommended for ages 14+**, use discretion.

KIDS SERIES

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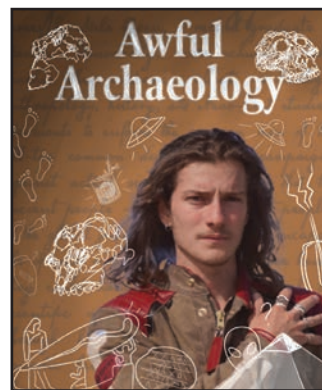


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- ★ NIGHT ANTHEM @ 9:00 PM

SUNDAY, MAY 26TH

- ★ EDDIE TESTA BAND @ 12:00 pm
- ★ JUMPER @ 5:00 pm
- ★ STEREO SOCIAL CLUB @ 9:00 pm

MONDAY, MAY 27TH

- ★ COAST 2 COAST @ 1:00 pm
- ★ SIDEWAYS WILLY BAND @ 7:00 pm

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MONDAY, JUNE 3RD

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5TH

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THURSDAY, JUNE 6TH

- ★ NO STANDARDS @ 2:00 pm
- ★ THE POUR BOYS @ 8:00 pm

FRIDAY, JUNE 7TH

- ★ JEFF LAKATA TRIO @ 2:00 pm
- ★ LAURALEA & TRIPP FABULOUS @ 9:00 pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 8TH

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Head Chef David Guerin and the owners, the Durkin family, have crafted a menu that has many traditional Irish favorites, sandwiches, burgers, selections from the butcher and from the sea. The full bar offers accompanying beverages and of course, Guinness and other Irish favorites are on tap.

Chef Guerin said patrons enjoy the lamb slider starter. The lamb burger is cooked to perfection and topped with fontina cheese, cured tomato, frisee & rosemary garlic aioli on threetoasted buttered rolls.

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The flavors are bursting in this dish.

Irish favorites are popular at this pub including the fish and chips and the Irish breakfast.

Fish and chips features tasty fresh whitefish that is ale battered then fried to get to a perfect golden brown. The crisp when you bite is perfect and the warm, tasty fish melts in your mouth. The side of fries are also perfectly crisped. The dish is served with tartar and Marie Rose sauce, which Chef Guerin explains is “Irish cocktail sauce” — mayonnaise, ketchup and Tabasco sauce. It gives the right amount of heat to the fish and chips.

Irish Breakfast has no time limit (it’s served any time of the day or night). It includes scrambled eggs,

roasted tomato, rashers, bangers, beans, boxty cakes, black and white pudding and stout and ale bread. Don’t worry, the menu at St. Stephen’s Green generously offers diners a dictionary in their menu explaining that rashers are a traditional Irish bacon, bangers are an Irish sausage made of pork and bread crumbs and boxty cakes are a potato pancake. Without this handy dictionary on the menu, you’d never know that the pudding in the Irish breakfast entree isn’t really pudding at all, rather the black pudding is a traditional sausage made of ground pork, spices, oatmeal and pork blood which gives it a distinct dark color. You don’t need the dictionary on the menu to tell you that this Irish Breakfast is just as filling as it is delicious.

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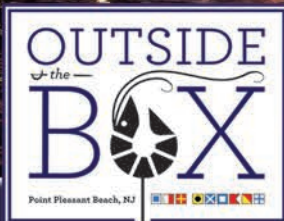
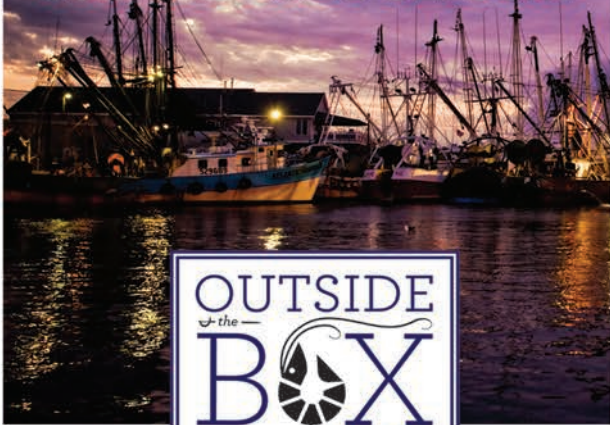
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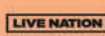
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