

The Harborwalk

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Arsenic and Old Lace at the Strand Theatre

Beginning July 12th through the 22nd, the Strand Theatre will present "Arsenic and Old Lace", directed by Inge Ebert. The Strand Theatre, on Front Street, is an Art-Deco building listed in the League of Historic American Theaters. It is the home of the "Swamp Fox Players", a community acting group which has consistently brought quality entertainment through a variety of plays to this historic seaport community.



for the aunts' victims). There is also a murderous brother Jonathan, who has received plastic surgery by an alcoholic Dr. Einstein.

The cast, according to Inge, is a mixture of local favorites and some new faces. The two aunts are played by Jo Camlin (Abby) and Pookie Oates (Martha). Robbie O'Donnell portrays

Mortimer and Robin Hearl plays Elaine. Myles Derison is the brother Jonathan, Lee Padgett plays brother Teddy and newcomer Kevin Plexico plays Dr. Einstein. Other actors include Sam Sands, Jim Oates, Dennis McAlpine, Hank Stroup, Warren Umstead and Joe Hardee.

The play, written in 1939 by Joseph Kesselring, is a farcical black comedy. It revolves around Mortimer Brewster, a theatre-hating drama critic who must deal with his crazy, homicidal family, the local police in Brooklyn, and his new fiancé, Elaine the preacher's daughter.

Inge notes that this production has become a "family affair" with several of the cast's relatives and spouses working back stage and on set construction.

His family includes two spinster aunts, Martha and Abby who feel the need to "help" lonely old men. The only problem is that their "help" is an invitation to their sitting room for a glass of home-made elderberry wine laced with arsenic, strychnine and "just a pinch" of cyanide. His brother Teddy believes he is Teddy Roosevelt and digs locks for the Panama Canal in the cellar of the Brewster home (which then serve as graves

Some of the other plays that Inge has directed are: "The Mousetrap", "Don't Dress for Dinner", "Sinners", "Murder at the Howard Johnson's", and "There is a Burglar in My Bed".

For information on tickets, dates and times of the performances, call 843 527 2924.

This Month in Georgetown

July 4, 7:00PM - Kaminski House Museum, The Indigo Choral Society in Performance with The Pawley's Island Concert Band. On the lawn, so bring your chair.

July 4, 9:30PM - Fireworks from East Bay Park sponsored by the City of Georgetown Fire Department.

July 21, 6:00PM - Kaminski House Museum, The Palmetto Bluegrass Band, on the lawn.

July 26 - September 1: The Rice Museum Prevost Gallery, exhibition of work by award-winning artist and teacher Arnold Hurley from Upper Marlboro, Md.

Buzz's Roost

July 7 & 22 - Greg Siebert, vocals and acoustic guitar
July 8 - Angie Capone, vocals and acoustic guitar
July 12 & 14 - Danny Averel, blues, Caribbean, rock
July 19 & 21 - Bruce Tereo, country, rock, blues
July 28 Pastor/Pastor, rock, blues & country rock
Karaoke every Friday night.

The Revolve Restaurant and Patio

July 14 - Bryan Bone, acoustic guitar and classic rock
July 28 - Jessie Wilson & Friends - Jazz and Blues
Jazz every Thursday night by Ray Turner on keyboards.

Georgetown South Carolina's Third Oldest City

Founded in 1729, Georgetown is the state's third oldest city behind Charleston and Beaufort. Situated on a peninsula, Georgetown is surrounded on three sides by water. On the east by Pee Dee, Black and Waccamaw Rivers, on the west by the Sampit River, and on the south by Winyah Bay formed by the convergence of these rivers.

As a bustling pre-Revolutionary seaport, sailing ships docked here bringing manufactured goods from Europe and leaving with the trade products of the low country - indigo, rice, and cotton.

The four-by-eight block grid of the historical district is bordered by Wood, Church, Meeting and Front Streets. Front Street is lined with quaint shops and restaurants, many with decks overlooking the harbor. You can take a leisurely stroll along the 12 foot wide, 1,500 foot Harborwalk, tour the antebellum homes, take a boat tour of the bay, or even a walking ghost tour through the city streets.

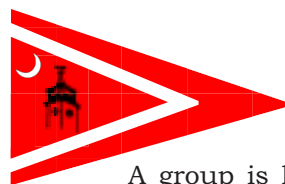
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New Happenings in Downtown Georgetown

Downtown Georgetown is a pretty dynamic place. Below are some of the new happenings in town to look out for.

According to Sid Ackerman of Georgetown Realty, the vacant building located next to The Times will soon be the home of a gourmet grocery called Morsels. Owners Tim and Rhonda Morris will sell wine, beer, cheese and other grocery items. They plan to open in October.

You might have noticed all the construction going on behind the Georgetown Times. According to John Burbage of the Post and Courier, (owners of the Times) the Harborwalk Marina is being expanded to include 25 new floating docks dedicated to transient boaters. Each dock will be 27 feet, however this will not limit the size of the boat they can accommodate. They will also be adding new office space, a bath facility with showers and a laundry. Their new facilities should be available by the first of the year.



A Georgetown Yacht Club?

A group is looking for people interested in forming a yacht club in Georgetown. Tentatively the Georgetown Harborwalk Yacht Club (GHYC) The yacht club could provide a clubhouse on Front Street with a meeting area, bar, small kitchen and facilities for visiting boaters. The group envisions holding events in Georgetown, bringing in boaters and sailors from around the state and the country. We have a great harbor and bay, plenty of entertainment and a wonderful place to sail or boat. Membership would be open to anyone with a boat from kayak to megayacht. If interested in becoming a founding member please call 843 485 0212 or email ghycinfo@gmail.com.

A Taste of Georgetown

Below is a note on each restaurant in **The Harborwalk**. For restaurants indicated with a (%) show this guide to your server and get 10% off your entree. Enjoy!

Brown Pelican Café (%), 716 Front Street: Lunch Monday through Sunday. Dinner Friday and Saturday. Owners **Lesley and Paul Robert** serve Carolina coastal cuisine with a little of Paul's hometown of New Orleans mixed in. The best fried oysters, Creole gumbo, red beans and rice and hand pressed burgers to die for. No reservations required, take out available. Eat in or at sidewalk bistro tables.



The Brown Pelican Cafe

Buzz's Roost, 715 Front Street: Lunch-Dinner Tuesday through Sunday. \$3 dollar Burgers, low country boils, wings and every kind of "dog" you can imagine. Eat inside, around the rustic open-air bar or on the upstairs deck with a view of the harbor. Separate game room with pool tables. Karaoke Friday nights, and live music on Saturdays and Sundays.

Dogwood Café (%), 713 Front Street: Lunch-Dinner Monday through Saturday. Really good low country cuisine. Shrimp and grits, soups, seafood (great grouper) and steaks. Eat inside or on the deck overlooking the harbor. Reservations recommended

Goat Island Grill (GIG), 719 Front Street: Lunch-Dinner seven days a week. The GIG offers low country fare, great crab or shrimp bisque, BBQ sandwiches and goat cheese salads. Eat inside or on the deck overlooking the harbor.

Revolve Restaurant (%), 926 - Front Street: Lunch-7 days. Dinner Thursday-Saturday. The best Black River crab cakes, soups, salads, pizza and pasta. Thursday is theme night with **Chef Dwayne Beaty** serving up specials from different countries along with live jazz. Eat in or on the torch lit patio. Live music Friday and Saturday nights on the patio. Reservations recommended, take out available. Transportation provided to boaters by calling 843 545 1600.

Rice Paddy Restaurant, 732 Front Street: Lunch-Dinner Monday through Saturday. The Rice Paddy offers elegant dining in one of Georgetown's most historical buildings. From seafood to steaks, the food is second to none. Great socializing at the bar after dinner. Reservations required.

River Room, 801 Front Street: Lunch - Dinner Monday through Saturday. Sumptuous seafood, steaks, chicken, pasta and lots of it. Enjoy views of the harbor and Harborwalk while dining inside in comfort. Reservations not accepted.



The River Room

Sweeties, 707 Front St.

Although not a restaurant, Sweeties makes the best chocolate and pecan pralines in the low country. Not even the shops on Market Street in Charleston can match Georgetown's Sweeties.

Thomas Café, 703 Front Street: Breakfast and Lunch Monday through Saturday. "Where the Locals Meet" Owner chef **Ernest Brunson** prepares great home cooked meals with old-fashioned hospitality.

Beware, This is Nesting Season for Loggerheads

The loggerhead sea turtle, our state reptile, has a rich reddish-brown carapace and yellow plastron. The loggerhead's large skull provides for the attachment of strong jaw muscles for crushing conchs and crabs.



Loggerheads usually leave the cold coastal waters in the winter and are often seen along the western edge of the Gulf Stream. The major nesting area for the loggerhead in the western Atlantic is the southeastern United States. In South Carolina, the primary nesting beaches are between **North Inlet and Prides' Inlet**. The nesting season runs from **mid May to mid August**.

The loggerhead is the most common sea turtle to strand in South Carolina and the nesting population has declined three percent per year since records began in 1980. These turtles are on the endangered species list and if you see a nest it must be left alone. To report sighting information on mating loggerheads in South Carolina, please email coastbio@dnr.sc.gov with date, time and place and photos if possible.



*The 18th Century Brown's Ferry Vessel on Display
at the Rice Museum*

The Rice Museum

No visit to Georgetown would be complete without taking a short tour of the Rice Museum. After all, rice is what built Georgetown. The museum actually occupies two buildings. The clock tower, being the most distinctive Georgetown landmark and the Prevost Gallery next door, once Kaminski Hardware, and also one of the oldest buildings in town. On the third floor of the Prevost Gallery resides the skeletal remains of the Brown's

Ferry vessel, shown above. The vessel was discovered in the Black River near Brown's Ferry and is considered one of the oldest examples of colonial shipbuilding in existence today. Upstairs of the Clock Tower contains displays showing the process of rice cultivation from the colonial period up until the Civil War and the end of slavery in the South.

What Else To Do in Georgetown?

Once you have shopped in our shops, had lunch or dinner in our restaurants, toured our historical homes, museums and art galleries, you might be interested in some outdoor activity. **Captain Dave Wallace** offers 4, 6 and 8 hour sailing excursions of Winyah Bay on his Beneteau 400 sailing yacht. Call Captain Dave at 843 902-6999. The **Jolly Rover Pirate Cruise** offers two hours of fun for the whole family. Call 843 546 8822 for times and reservations. If you golf you might want to try **Wedgfield Plantation**, call 843 546 8587 for tee times.

For those who are really into seeing the wildlife of the area, try a guided kayak tour with **Black River Outdoors Center**. They offer Historic Georgetown Harbor Tours at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday as well as half day tours of the Black River. Tours include all necessary equipment, and first-timers will have no trouble paddling their stable river kayaks, with their safety talk and introductory lesson by trained guides. They require reservations so call 843-546-4840.

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