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# *Somewhere on the Water*

January 31, Day 55 Monday  
Charleston, SC

Well....I do not know if I am having more difficulties or I am just going crazy. Most likely the crazy part is accurate.

I was writing this blog last night (February 8) the Olympics were on and Haleigh was cooking dinner. I had a full paragraph or two about how easy it was to walk over to Avis/Budget on Meeting Street.

We had a car ready upon arrival and it was a quick transaction I was in the Honda CRV and back at the boat before 9:30 a.m.

So this morning, February 9 when I come back to this day's blog to complete it, all my hard work was gone.

Let's start again, shall we?!

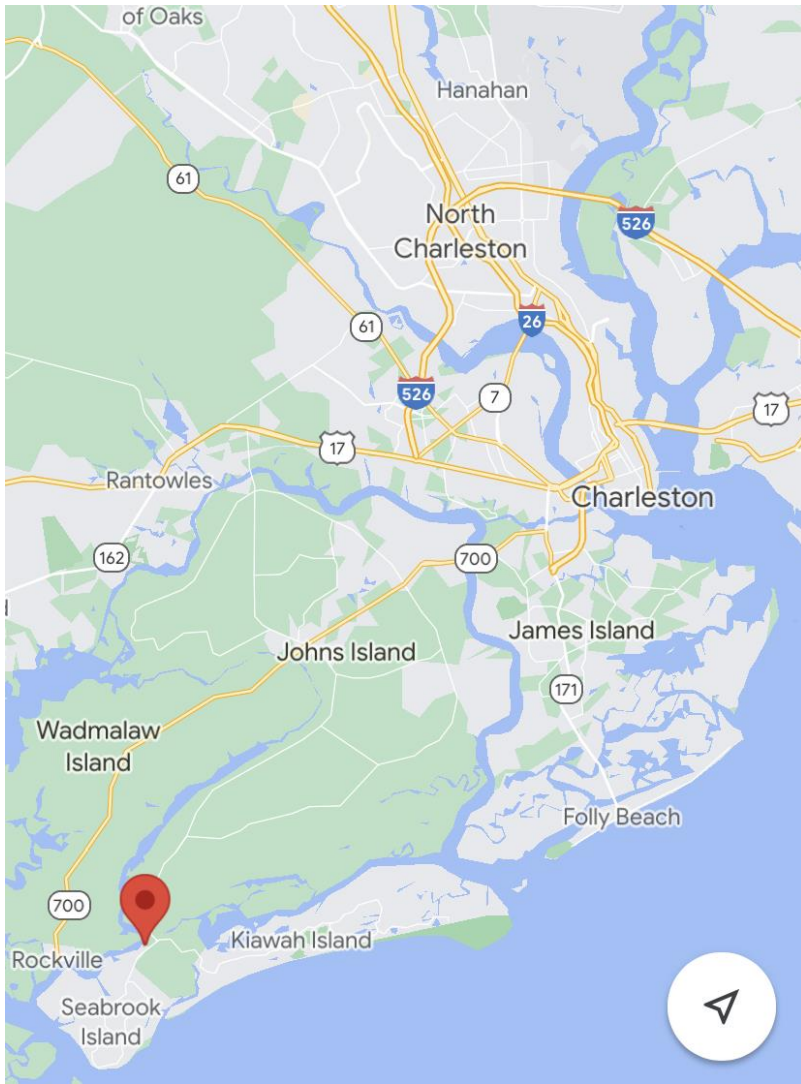
Today's plan:

- ✓ **Drive** to a nearby Walmart.
  - Last shopping trip before leaving Charleston
- ✓ Lunch with **Julie**
- ✓ **Sightsee** nearby areas while we have the car.

We left downtown Charleston drove to James Island, shopped at Walmart, drove to Seabrook Island, and met up with Julie at her shop *Doin the Charleston*. It is located in Freshfields Village.

Freshfields Village is a destination shopping village with more than 30 shops, restaurants, spa services, and a hotel.

*Doin the Charleston* is an adorable gift shop that has everything from gourmet foods, gifts, accessories for entertaining, you can order a custom gift basket; it has a little bit of everything. It is just the kind of gift shop to purchase a hostess gift, wedding gift, souvenir, a true 'go to' if you are in the area.



Haleigh picked out this popcorn and a pumpkin pie flavor. Yum!

We had lunch at King Street Grille. I had the crab cakes, (predictable), Haleigh & Mark ordered burgers and Julie had southwest spring rolls.

We had a nice catch-up visit with lots of stories of yesteryear.

Mark was a captain for Julie's parasail boat. That is how they met. The parasail boat business was on Bohicket Creek which leads out to Edisto River which runs into the Atlantic Ocean.

After a few hours with her, we drove around the area. Much of it is under construction with new hotels, condos, etc. going up at a rapid pace. Driving out to Folley Beach was one of my requests. No need to do that again. Memories must have missserved me as I was disappointed at the overgrowth and development along the shore and was happy to return to downtown Charleston.

We unloaded our purchases of the day and opted for an ice cream dinner at the Ye Old Fashioned Ice Cream. As far as Haleigh is concerned it is the most talked-about restaurant amongst Mark and me and how could any visit to the area be complete without going. True that! Off we went taking advantage of the car rental for one last ride.

Mark and I would frequent Ye Olde Fashioned Ice Cream while pregnant with Jordan. We visited it when friends and family would visit from out of state and of course, went when we returned a few years ago while on vacation with the kids, grandma, and nana.

Needing to loosen our belt a notch after this indulgence; tomorrow we will have to walk it off.