



# Seaside News



Theodosia Burr Alston

The disappearance of the schooner Patriot is a mystery. The ship left South Carolina in the early 1800s and was never heard from again.

On board was Theodosia Burr Alston the wife of South Carolina Governor John Alston and the daughter of former vice president Aaron Burr.

Theodosia was traveling to New York to visit her father. Legend has it she was bringing him a portrait of her.

What we know is that there was a storm blowing off Cape Hatteras when Patriot was due in that area. Theodosia could have been shipwrecked or a victim of war or piracy.

Legend tells us that a ship washed ashore at Nags Head around the time Patriot could have been passing by. A portrait resembling Theodosia was said to have been on board that ship. It was shown to descendants of Alston who said it looked a lot like Theodosia.

1. Who was Theodosia's father?
2. What could of happened to her?
3. Where was she traveling to?
4. What does legend say she was bringing to her father?
5. What was the name of the ship she was on?

1. Aaron Burr
2. She could have been the victim of a shipwreck, pirates, or war.
3. New York
4. A portrait of her
5. Patriot

## Connect the Words

Patriot

Theodosia's father

Theodosia Burr Alston

A picture of a specific person

Portrait

Something impossible to explain

Aaron Burr

A popular story that can't be proven

Mystery

A kind of sailing ship

Schooner

The ship that disappeared

Legend

A famous woman who disappeared

## Joke of the Month

What did the pirates take to stay healthy?

Vitamin Sea!