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Funky Lampshades 10:00 - 11:30
Orange Beach Wildlife Center 11:40 - 12:00
Andrew Weaver 12:00 - 1:00
Orange Beach Wildlife Center 1:10 - 1:30
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Our Lady of the Gulf Lenten fish-frys start on Feb. 16

The annual Lenten fish-frys at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church (2304 E. 2nd St.) in Gulf Shores begin on Friday, Feb. 16 and continue on Feb. 23, March 2, March 9, March 16 and March 23. Prepared by Gulf Shores finest fry cook using a secret recipe, the fish-frys are a huge hit with locals and snowbirds both. Hours are 5-7 p.m. and cost is $10 for a meal that includes delicious fried fish, hushpuppies, baked beans, cole slaw, a dessert and a drink. Proceeds benefit Catholic schools and other local charities.

Congressman Byrne town hall in Orange Beach Feb. 20

U.S. Congressman Bradley Byrne is scheduled to hold a town hall meeting in Orange Beach on Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 10:30 a.m. at the Orange Beach City Hall Council Chamber (4099 Orange Beach Blvd.) in the city complex on Hwy. 161. Congressman Byrne is known for holding in-person town hall meetings across Southwest Alabama to hear directly from the people he represents. The town halls allow constituents to ask questions, provide feedback, or share their ideas directly with their Member of Congress. The town halls are free to attend and open to the public.

Underdogs Cooler Full Of Booze fundraiser March 16 at P.K. Sports Bar

Save Underdogs has kickd off its 2nd Cooler Full of Booze fundraiser, with the drawing to be held at the Perdido Key Sports Bar on Friday March 16 at 7 p.m. You need not be present to win. Tickets are $5. For more info, visit saveunderdogs.com or Face Book. fouunded in 2004. Over 5000 dogs have been rescued, rehabilitated and rehomed since Underdogs since the group formed in 2004. "We rescue sick, injured, abused and neglected dogs of all breeds, all sizes and all ages. There is no one size or one breed perimeter with us. The majority of our work is serving those that others have cast out. Save Underdogs is a 100% volunteer/foster based rescue that depends fully on fund raising and donations." **Pictured:** Crissie 7 friends at Dec. Underdog fundraiser.

March 3 Night On The Wild Side will benefit Al. Gulf Coast Zoo

The Coastal Alabama Zoo Foundation will host A Night On The Wild Side, a benefit to help the zoo move to a new location on land it owns on the northside of the IntraCoastal Waterway, on March 3 from 6:30 - 10 p.m. in the Salt Air Aviation Hanger At Jack Edwards Airport (3190 Airport Dr.) in Gulf Shores.

Enjoy a night on the wild side and help the zoo take flight to its new location. Tickets are $150 per person, $250 per couple or $5000 to sponsor a table of 8. Limited to patrons over 21, the evening includes hors d'oeuvres, beer & wine, photos with animals and dancing to motown hits from Chevy 6. Dress is safari / jungle. The Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. For info or tickets, visit alabamagulfcoastzoo.com.

26th O.B. Seafood Fest Feb. 24 at The Wharf

The 2018 Orange Beach Seafood Festival promises to excite! Festival attendance has been growing every year and because of that organizers are finding new ways to add excitement to the event. The festival is the major fundraising event for the Orange Beach Sports Association and supports all youth sports in Orange Beach.

The Wharf location offers the perfect venue for the festival. Unlimited parking and access, space for a large Car Show and a great area for the Kids Zone have meant the festival can offer more for visitors to enjoy. This year there will be 95 arts and crafts vendors; an expanded Car Show which will include a table top swap meet where car enthusiasts can sell items; eleven seafood and specialty food booths and entertainment from two stages (1st time there are two stages).

Arts & Crafts vendors will be selling an assortment of wares including jewelry, pottery, metal items, candles, textile arts, etc. The car show has been growing each year. Cars can sign up the morning of the event. The Kids Zone will feature Monster Water Balls & Bungees, face painting, demonstrations, activities and games.

There is no admission charge to the event and with unlimited parking, everyone should be able to attend. Festival – Saturday, February 24, 10 am – 4 pm – Main Street @ The Wharf, off Canal Road in Orange Beach. For up-to-date information call Orange Beach Parks & Recreation at 251-981-1524 or visit obparksandrec.com.

Pictured: (Above) Savanah Litton, Jon Crawford; (below) Andrew Weaver, Maura Hawkins; The Funky Lampshades; David Jones, Gino Rosaria, Rickey Duffy, Chris Snowden.

Savannah Litton
Main Stage: 9:30 – 11:30

Savannah is a Gulf Shores native and no stranger to the stage. She has performed all over the island for years, and has been a part of over twenty local theater productions. She has a passion for all things artistic, including painting, songwriting, acting, and especially singing. She is very excited to be a part of the Seafood Festival again this year.

David Jones & Friends
Main Stage: 11:45 – 1:45

This is a talented, versatile quartet of local yet nationally traveled musicians. Playing a mix of traditional jazz as well as contemporary smooth jazz, blues and soul, this group is collectively as tight as they come, while allowing for incredible individual expression. A fantastic musical journey! The band includes David Jones, trumpet and vocals; Gino Rosaria, keyboards; Rickey Duffy, drums; Chris Snowden, bass.

Jon Crawford
Main Stage- 2:00 – 4:00

Jon moved to the Orange Beach area in 2016. He currently interns at The Island Church where he serves in worship, media, and other ministries. His hobbies consist of playing sports, leading worship, and learning new musical instruments. He is humbled to be a part of the Seafood Festival this year.

Funky Lampshades
Car Show Stage: 10:00 – 11:30

This goofy acoustic duo is led by Hunter Myers and backed by Austin Thompson. Hunter is 20 years old, from San Rosa, CA now living in Gulf Shores. Austin is 21 years old, from Bay Minette and Gulf Shores. They have been playing together since they were 12. They love the older sounds of America, Van Morrison, BB King, Jimi Hendrix, Bob Dylan and the Beatles. Their music is a blending of all these influences. They want to move to Nashville and follow their music dreams possibly getting into Audio Engineering and Music Production.

Andrew Weaver
Car ShowStage: 12:00 – 1:00

Andrew is a 16 year old singer/songwriter from a small town outside of Atlanta. He has been playing the guitar for years, but started finding his own unique lyrics in songwriting around age 14. An acoustic pop singer, his set includes popular hits from Ed Sherran, Charlie Puth, and Sean Mendes coupled with classics from The Beatles, Billy Joel and Elvis (and more). Andrew performs at various school functions, festivals, public and private events and enjoys singing competitions. In 2015, Andrew was named the Mayfest West Georgia Idol and in 2017 he won an American Idol 'Front of the Line' pass as one of the winners of the 2017 Atlanta Idol competition and most recently has been named an American Idol contestant for Season 1 on ABC.

Maura Hawkins
Car Show Stage: 1:30 – 2:45

Maura is 12 years old and in the 7th grade at Gulf Shores Middle School. Maura has been singing since she was about 3 years old. She sings at Church, and events around the community and is also a member of the Pensacola Children's Chorus. Her greatest achievement was winning the 2016 and 2017 Kids Singing Contest in her age group at the Gulf Bowl in Foley. Besides singing, she loves playing the piano, guitar, drums, xylophone and the radio! She really enjoys reading, cooking and drawing. Maura hopes to use her voice to help support people in need!

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Ecumenical Ministries Chili for Charity Feb. 24 at Oak Hollow

The 18th Annual Chili for Charity event for Ecumenical Ministries will again be held at Oak Hollow Farm in Fairhope on Saturday, February 24 from 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. This cook-off is still one of the best bargains around. Adult admission is $12.50 in advance or $15 at the gate. Children 12 and under are free. Also available are handmade chili bowls made exclusively for the event by local potters, organized through The Kiln in Fairhope, for just $20 each. Oak Hollow Farm is located at 14210 S Greeno Rd. For more info, call 251- 928-3430 (Fairhope) or 251-943-3447 (Foley). The fabulous fun-filled festival has something for everyone. Besides being able to sample some of the best chili that Baldwin County has to offer, music lovers can enjoy local favorite Blind Dog Mike and the Howlers and a performance by the Fairhope High School Encore Group. Add a bake sale with out-of–this- world homemade baked goods, a hay ride, inflatables for the kids, balloon artistry by Dr. Gee, antique tractors on display, and a mechanical bull ride for all ages. It's the perfect recipe for a great afternoon of family fun that supports EMI's many worthwhile service programs.

Pictured: Jim Owen & the Gulf Shores Title claimed the non-traditional chili top prize at the 2017 cookoff, taking home some great Tom Jones pottery for their efforts.

Feb. 21 Salad Luncheon/Game Day tickets on sale

O.B. Garden Club fundraiser usually sells out fast

The Orange Beach Garden Club will host its 31st Annual Garden Club Game Day and Salad Luncheon on Feb. 21 from 10 a.m. 'til 3 p.m. at The Event Center at The Wharf (4671 Wharf Pkwy.). Doors open at 9:30 a.m. Tickets are $25 and are expected to sell out. Tickets are on sale now at The Emporium inside the Winn Dixie Shopping Center in Orange Beach. Call 251-979-5308 for more info.

The theme is "Celebrating Family, Freedom & Flowers" for this annual event that is renowned for its expansive buffet of member-made salads and deserts, and the fellowship of a fun day of table games with friends old and new. Many supporters attend just for lunch and the chance to win door and raffle prizes donated by generous local merchants.

This is the only Garden Club's only fundraising event, with all proceeds benefiting many community programs and organizations including Arbor Day, The Back Country Butterfly Garden, Orange Beach Memorial Cemetery Maintenance, The Orange Beach Community Garden, Christmas For Seniors & Families, The Orange Beach Wildlife Center, Light Up Orange Beach, The O.B. Library Butterfly Garden, Meals on Wheels gifts, the Orange Beach Elementary Junior Gardeners Program, and the OB Police Benevolent Fund.

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Baldwin County School System earns B on state report card

GSES, GSMS, OBES earn A's; Elberta schools earn B's: GSHS scores a C

The Baldwin County Public School System has earned a B grade on the state report card. The report card grade exceeds the state score of a C. According to Dr. Joyce Woodburn, the Academic Dean of Baldwin County, the district is one of the best county school systems in the state. Additionally, it is important to note that BCPSS is the third largest school system in the state, which speaks to the system's commitment to excellence for its nearly 32,000 students.

Schools that earned an A include Daphne East Elementary, Fairhope Middle, Gulf Shores Elementary, Gulf Shores Middle, Orange Beach Elementary, Rockwell Elementary, Spanish Fort Elementary and Spanish Fort Middle.

Schools that earned a B: Daphne Elementary, Daphne High, Daphne Middle, Delta Elementary, Elberta Elementary, Elberta High, Elsanor, Fairhope Elementary, Fairhope High, Fairhope Intermediate, Foley Elementary, Foley Intermediate, J. Larry Newton, Loxley Elementary, Perdido School, Robertsdale Elementary, Rosinton, Spanish Fort High, Stapleton Elementary, and W.J. Carroll.

Schools that earned a C: Baldwin County High, Central Baldwin Middle, Foley Middle, Gulf Shores High, Magnolia School, Summerdale School, Silverhill Elementary and Swift School.

Schools that earned a D: Bay Minette Middle, Foley High, Pine Grove Elementary and Robertsdale High. Bay Minette Elementary received the county's only F grade.

Grades are calculated by using a combination of Academic Achievement, Academic Growth and Chronic Absenteeism. Additionally, Graduation Rate and College and Career Readiness are factored into the formula for high schools.

Baldwin County's Board of Education has adopted a four-part academic plan that includes a guided reading initiative to improve student literacy, improvements in instruction through the eMints program, using data provided by Scantron Analytics to guide academic decision-making, and the inclusion of curriculum leaders in district schools.

The system has also made strategic financial, curricular, and personnel decisions in an effort to raise scores in schools with lower report card scores.

According to Dr. Woodburn, the number one priority in the school district is to improve student academic achievement.

"Under Superintendent Tyler's leadership and the board of education's endorsement, the school system is making the changes necessary to provide the best learning opportunities for our students," she said. "Current school year data indicates that students are making great gains in learning."

"Our students, teachers, counselors, administrators, support personnel and central office employees are working very hard to provide the best education possible for all students," said BCSB Superintendent Eddie Tyler. "I could not be more proud of our team effort, and I am honored to be a part of this journey toward academic success for all students."

Christian Service Center Spaghetti Dinner Feb. 20

The Christian Service Center will host its annual spaghetti dinner on February 20 at the Gulf Shores United Methodist Church, Building B (in the Winn Dixie Shopping Center), from 4:30 – 7 p.m. Dine in and drive through will be available. The $10 tickets are available at the door or in advance at the Christian Service Center, 317 Dolphin Avenue, Monday through Friday, 9 AM – Noon.

In its 26th year, the Christian Service Center is a "Hand Up" rather than a "Hand Out" agency. Clients are given immediate emergency aid as well as guidance on finding solutions to their problems. The Christian Service Center provides assistance to those needing food, housing and or counseling in the Gulf Shores/Orange Beach/Fort Morgan area. Those needing assistance with clothing and household items are issued vouchers and referred to the Holy Spirit Thrift Shop, which is also the presenting sponsor for the dinner is the Holy Spirit Thrift Shop. The CSC is a 100% volunteer agency funded by the churches of Pleasure Island, various community organizations, including the United Way of Baldwin County, and interested individuals. For more information please call the CSC at 251-968-5256 or visit cscgs.com.

Pictured: At the presentation of Holy Spirit Thrift Shop's donation of $15,000 to the Christian Service Center are (L-R) Holy Sprit Thrift Shop Manager Alicia Gattenio, volunteer Dick Reid, CSC President Linda Chappelle, Thrift Shop volunteers Dora Pelham, Millie Erikson and Lee Reid. This is the eighth year the Holy Spirit Thrift Shop has been a major sponsor of the fund raiser.

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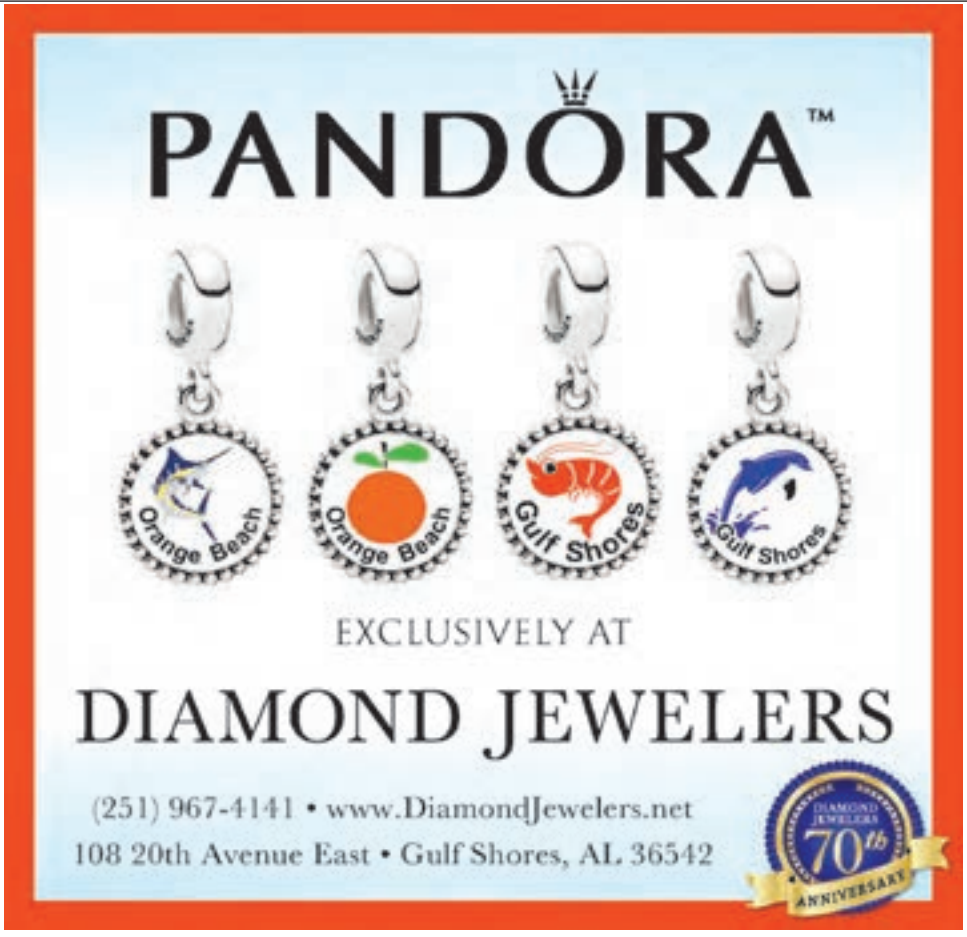
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City Rhythm Big Band in Loxley Feb. 17

The City Rhythm Big Band has scheduled a dance on Saturday, Feb. 17 at the Loxley Civic Center from 7-10 p.m. Tickets are $10 per person, and snacks will be available at the BYOB event.

The City Rhythm Big Band is an 18 piece big band that plays music from the big band era made famous by such artists as Count Basie, Woody Herman, Glen Miller, Duke Ellington and others. They also play some current favorites. Vocalists Kathy Murchison and Ken Thacker add their touch to the band with beautiful lyrics and awesome voices. Together, the band and vocalists present a wonderful evening of music. For all information, visit cityrhythmbb.com. The Loxley Civic Center is located at 4198 Municipal Park Dr. Dances are also scheduled on March 17, April 21 and May 12.

Al Peck Tennis Tourney slated March 10 at O.B. Tennis Center

The Al Peck Century Tennis Tournament will be held on Saturday, March 10 at the Orange Beach Tennis Center. This is a one day tournament. Players are guaranteed 2 matches with 10 game pro sets. The combined ages of each team must equal at least 100 years or more. Entry fee is $25 per person or $50 per team. This will include lunch, drinks and a souvenir. Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd and Consolation winners. The Orange Beach Tennis Center is located at 4851 Wilson Blvd. Call 251-974-6387 for more info.

Race to the Top of Turquoise Place (31 floors) slated March 3

The Torch Run for Special Olympics 6th Annual Race to the Top of the Tower at Turquoise Place will be held on Saturday, March 3 at 10 a.m. This stair race up 31 floors is open to the general public as well as all local and regional firefighters, police, EMS, and military personnel. Come out and test your fitness level with our local heroes and compete for a 3-night stay at Turquoise Place and for the bragging rights to the "Top of the Tower Champion" title. Spectrum Resorts is a proud sponsor of the fundraiser, which includes a lazy river duck race benefitting local Special Olympic athletes. To sign up for the race online, visit register.chronotrack.com/r/36894, or at Turquoise Place prior to the start of the race. The cost is $30 per person with discounts given for first responders and early online registrations. Participants are invited to enjoy a post-race celebration. in the Penthouse at Turquoise Place.

Ballyhoo Festival March 3 at Waterway Village in Gulf Shores

By Joanna Almond

Do You Ballyhoo? The annual Ballyhoo Festival will be held at Waterway Village on March 3 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. The festival will feature over 50 regional artists, including mediums like painting, pottery, wood working, metal work, and other fine art. The Poarch Band of Creek Indians will be dressed in traditional ceremonial regalia, and perform their original tribal dance at 11AM and 4PM. Bring the kids and watch them ride the trackless train through the festival and get creative with family friendly art projects. Come enjoy activities and local seafood, art demonstrations, and Live music! Celebrate life, art, and culture all in one place at 116 East 24th Ave., Gulf Shores! Admission is free to the festival and shuttle transportation will be available the day of Ballyhoo. More info: GulfCoastArtsAlliance.com or Facebook.

LA Beach Writers meet Feb. 19 at G. S. Library

For the December meeting of the LA Beach Writers, attendees were asked to write a Christmas memory and come prepared to read them to the group. As each one was read, it brought both laughter and tears to those listening, as it sparked memories of their own Christmases past among the assembled. Many said it was the best meeting we have ever had.

By popular demand, the speaker for the February 19 meeting will be from those who attend. Attendees are asked to write around 500 words and read them to the group on one of the following topics:

A. Imagine a world where everyone loves their neighbor as much as they love themselves. What would it be like to live in such a world? How would families and communities be different from today?

B. If love could talk, what would it say?

After each one is read, the group will share suggestions that might make it even better.

The LA Beach Writers will meet on Monday, February 19 at 5:30 p.m. at the Thomas B. Norton Public Library, 221 West 19th Ave, in Gulf Shores. For more information, call Linda Center at 251-228-1656.

Sirens View From The Top Condo Tour Feb. 24

The Sirens of the Sea Mardi Gras krewe will present its 10th Annual Condo Tour, "A View from the Top", on Friday, February 24 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets are $20 and can be purchased at the following locations: Wildflowers on Canal Road in Orange Beach, Bryant Bank on Canal Road in Orange Beach, Coastal Flowers and Design in Gulf Shores on Highway 59, Beach House Boutique in Gulf Shores at Pelican Place, and Jubilee Apparel & Gifts in Gulf Shores at Pelican Place. Tickets are also available to purchase from any Sirens member. The **(pictured)** five condos on tour are Phoenix West II, SeaChase, Bella Luna Penthouse, and two Wharf penthouses. Each condo will have a beautiful gift basket valued at over $200 for you to enter your raffle ticket to possibly win (five raffle tickets are included with your ticket). All condos have elevators and are conveniently located in Orange Beach. Sirens of the Sea use the proceeds from this fundraiser to support their selected local charities which include Gulf Shores High School Scholarship Fund; Baldwin County Child Advocacy Center (CARE HOUSE); and their annual Mardi Gras activities.

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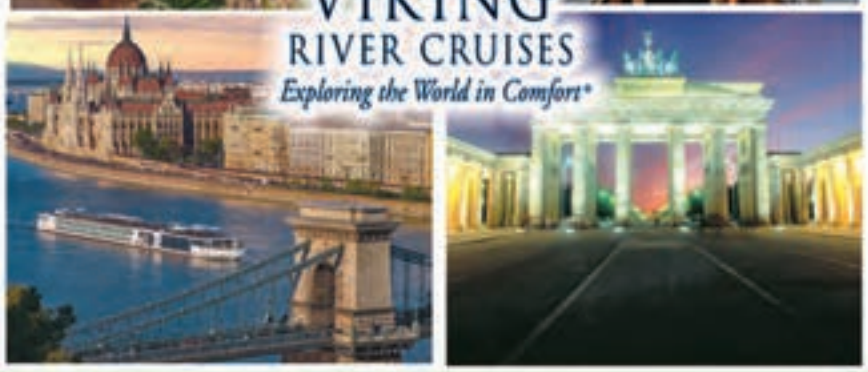

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Around Town

Brent Burns & Bill Whyte Feb. 16 at GlenLakes

Nashville songwriter Bill Whyte will join Brent Burns on stage on Friday, February 16 at GlenLakes Golf Club for a night of original music and fun. A meet-n-greet starts at 4:30 p.m., and Bunker Café at GlenLakes will be open for food and beverage purchases. The show is from 6-8:30 p.m. Tickets are $25/per person. Space is limited, and reservations are required. For ticket reservations, contact Brent at 251-948-8863. GlenLakes is located ½ mile east of the Foley Beach Expressway on County Rd. 20 at 9530 Clubhouse Dr. in Foley.

Besides being a member of the Country Broadcaster's Hall of Fame, Bill Whyte is also a prolific songwriter. Bill's song "Crickets" was the title cut on one of Joe Nichols CD's. Grammy winners Linda Davis and Ray Stephens have recorded his songs. Cledus T. Judd and Brady Seals have also recorded Bill's songs.

First 4th Grade Black Belt: Gulf Shores Elementary School 4th grader, Jorja Carrino, is the first fourth grader to earn the black belt in Recorder Karate in Mrs. Gay James' Music class this year. Congratulations, Jorja and thank you, Mrs. James, for the exciting way to motivate your students!

Dropping speed limit to 35 mph. on East Beach Blvd. allows for fancier median

By John Mullen

Gary Ellis, developer of Marsh Landing mobile food vendor court on Alabama 59, says he definitely wants to have a full-service bar at his new development.

But first, he wants to get the court up and running for the 2018 summer season. He is asking the city to allow him to delay building of permanent bathrooms and an open-air bar so the court can open as soon as possible.

But it means his alcohol sales will take a hit.

"It's our understanding to have a full-service bar you do have to have a permanent facility," Ellis said. "However, there is a license that will allow you to sell beer and wine only without a permanent facility in place. That's something we're currently exploring just for the first season."

Also, during Monday's meeting, the city council was asked to pass an ordinance to formally ask the Alabama Department of Transportation to consider lowering the speed on a stretch of East Beach Boulevard from 35 to 45 mph. City Planner Andy Bauer said since this was the first mobile vendor court approved by the city and Ellis was asking for significant changes Bauer wanted it to go before the planning commission and council again.

> "A drop in the speed limit to 35 mph creates an urbanized street which will allow for vertical landscaping in the median such as palm trees."

"Since this is the first one the council has ever approved we felt like any deviation from the approved plan should be reviewed again," Bauer said. "Planning Commission approved this at its January meeting."

But it didn't come without conditions.

"Staff recommends approval of the phasing plan on the condition within one year of the phase-in plan approval the applicant shall obtain a building permit and commence construction on a permanent facility," Bauer said.

Ellis said having a bar on the site is vital to the success of the project so he is motivated to get the permanent structure going.

"We have no intention of foregoing the building of a permanent facility whatsoever," Ellis said. "It's actually critical to the revenue stream of the overall project. It would significantly impact the project as a whole to leave that component out of it. So, there's full intention to build that facility we just don't have the time due to environmental permitting to get that done and get that facility constructed prior to the season."

The bathroom facility will be a temporary trailer but will be connected to city sewerage and have a grinder pump on site as well. Construction of a kayak launch on the southeast side of the development will also be delayed.

Palms & Slower Speed Limit on Bch. Rd.

Palm trees may be coming to the new median system in Gulf Shores and dropping the speed limit to 35 mph will help bring about this new look, according to Public Works Director Mark Acreman said

"What this also does for us besides create a safer environment for all the people in this area it also gives us a lot more flexibility on what we can do with the landscaping in that center median," Acreman said. "A drop in the speed limit to 35 mph creates an urbanized street which will allow for vertical landscaping in the median such as palm trees.

"This does open the door for something pretty unique, not only for this segment but also for the entire two miles we're going our beach improvement project on. This does create some incredible opportunities to completely change the experience down there from an aesthetic standpoint as well as a safety standpoint."

Currently, the speed limit on Beach Boulevard is 35 mph as far east as East Third Street. But from there to the state park it increases to 45 mph. Acreman said he has been working with the state to get the lower limit in place and needs the city council ordinance to present to officials in Montgomery.

"We asked ALDOT to evaluate this section of road to see if it even qualified for a speed reduction before I even brought this to you," Acreman said. "They did a speed study that does support the request. So, we've already made that initial step. Once Montgomery approves that ordinance we'll be able to lower that speed limit."

In other business the council:

- Approved a change in the leaseholder for a hangar at the airport from McInnis Company to M&B Holdings owned by Andy Yarbrough. The hanger will house a jet and an adjoining building will be used for paint and upholstery work.
- Considered granting a franchise to Pelican Pete Party Rentals for the operation of a 14-passenger limousine to expand their services to include wedding transportation. The company has operated in the city since 2011 renting inflatables for parties.
- OK'd an agreement with Gulf State Park to provide two lifeguards for a two-mile stretch of beach from the Saltwater Pavilion to just west of the state park pier. The park will pay up to $20,000 for the city to provide stands, two lifeguards and vehicles for the beach. Orange Beach previously provided the service.
- Agreed to an increase of court fees of $14 for a traffic citation and $60 for a misdemeanor charge in municipal court. This would make total court costs for a traffic citation to $210 and up misdemeanor basic court costs to $310. This is the first increase since July of 2009.
- Was asked to consider rezoning 38 acres on the south side of Fort Morgan Road between Middle Brigadoon Trail and West Brigadoon Trail to higher density zoning to allow for development of a 79-home subdivision called Oak Alley. The subdivision was first approved in 2005 but the planned unit development first issued by the city expired in 2008.
- Was asked to consider a conditional use permit to allow for the building of an assisted living facility on the south side of Cotton Creek Drive west of Sweetwater Condominiums. There are 109 units and 11 cottages planned in the development for a total of 120 units.
- Authorized the mayor to enter into a law enforcement agreement with the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office to hire officers from the department to work in Gulf Shores during spring break and the Hangout Music Festival.
- Accepted a bid of about $4,400 from East Bay Engraving for youth sports uniforms for the recreation department for the 2018 sports seasons including baseball, softball, basketball, cheerleading, football and soccer.
- OK'd an assembly permit for the LA Fleet Feet Sweetheart Run and Sea Turtle Half Marathon on Feb. 17 with the start and finish at the Hangout. Most of the course is on beach road between the Hangout and Laguna Key.
- Held public hearings on two liquor license applications, one for Habaneros Mexican Restaurant which is replacing the Santa Fe restaurant in a strip mall at East Second Street and 22nd Avenue. The second was for the transfer of a liquor license at Blalock Seafood to the new owner, Alexander J. Keizer.
- Appointed Luke Roberson to finish out the term of Andrew McKinney on the Public Education Building Authority board through March of 2022.McKinney no longer resides in Gulf Shores and resigned his seat.

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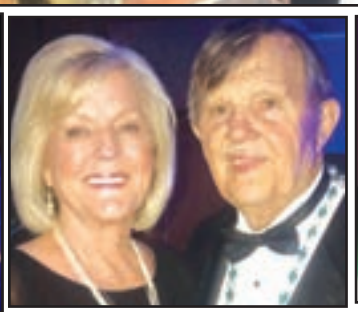
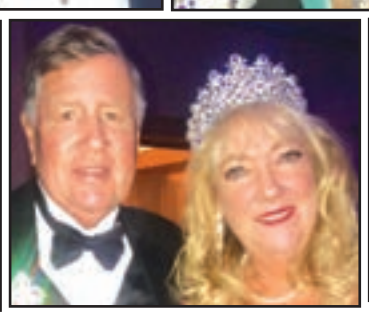
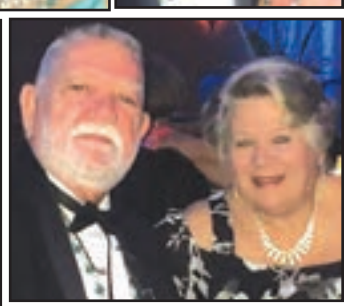
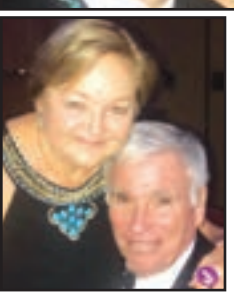
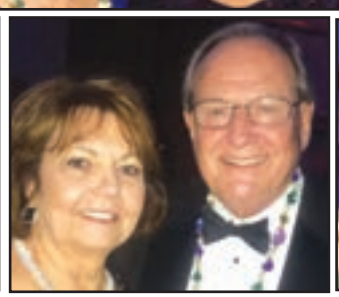
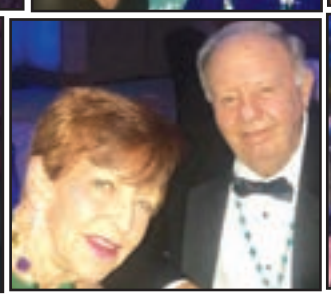

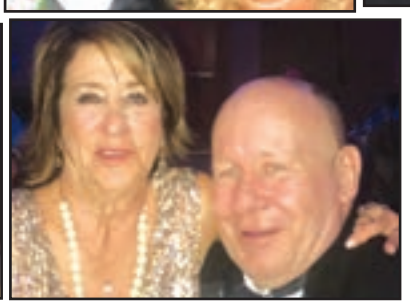
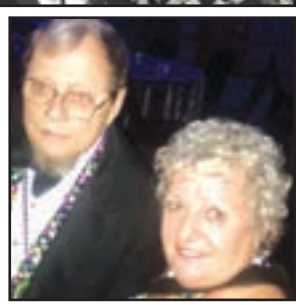
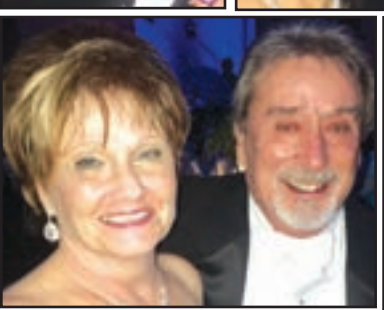

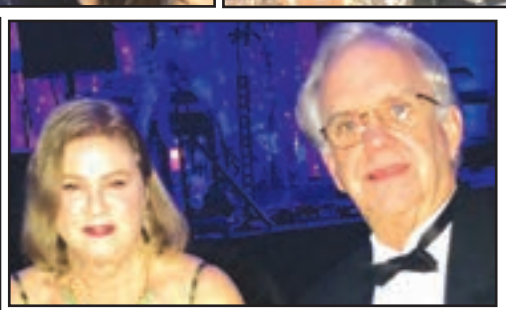
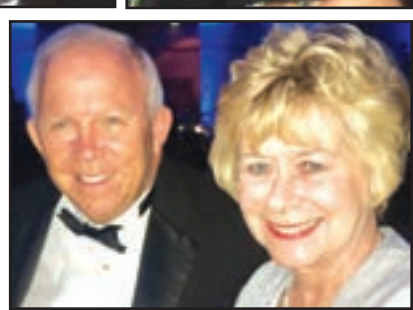

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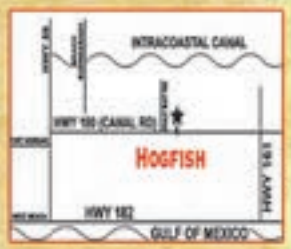

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What's Happening

Joe Louis topic of Feb. 17 lecture at Southwest Branch Library

By Cathy Ingram

A Joe Louis discussion at Southwest Branch Library will be held Saturday, February 17 at 10:30 a.m. at Southwest Branch Library, 12248 Gulf Beach Hwy. in Pensacola (info: 850-453-7780), part of the library's celebration of Black History Month.

Award winning author and part time Pensacola resident Dot Moore will lead an interesting discussion of the life and times of famous boxer Joe Louis depicting his experiences as a black man in the world of boxing in times of civil rights struggles.

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Georgia native, Alabama resident, teacher, political activist and mentor, Ms. Moore's other books include Oracle of the Ages: Reflections on the Curious Life of Fortune Teller Mayhayley Lancaster, the 2002 winner of the Lilla M. Hawes Award for the best book in Georgia history; and No Remorse: The Rise and Fall of John Wallace.

Free Winter Walks & Talks at Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge

The Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge is pleased to announce their Winter 2018 Walks and Talks to be held in February and March. The Refuge will be offering guided Dynamic Dunes Walks, Bird Walks and new this year an Edible and Medicinal Plant Walk.

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These are very popular events and reservations are required. The guided tours are limited to 12 people and the talks are limited to 24 people. 24-hours' notice is asked if you must cancel. Please call the Refuge office at 251-540-7720 to book a walk or a talk, or drop into the office at 12295 State Highway 180 between 9 am and 2 pm Monday thru Friday. Dates and times will also be available on the Refuge's website fws.gov/bonsecour or their Facebook page.

Pictured: Spanish Moss hanging from trees along te trails at Bon Secour. Spanish Moss is actually a flowering plant that is native to the southeastern U.S. and a member of the pineapple family. An excellent example of commensalism, Spanish Moss does not harm the trees it dangles from, but rather attaches itself for support. It has no roots so it derives its nutrients from rainfall, detritus and airborne dust and is also an important nesting area for several species of bird.

March 8 Foley Woman's Club Mad Hatters' tickets on sale

By Barbara McCamish

The annual Foley Woman's Club's Mad Hatters' event is March 8 at the Foley Civic Center beginning at 11:30. Doors will open at 10 AM for bidding on silent auction items and purchasing raffle and Pot of Gold tickets.

The famous hat parade will start 11:30. Prizes will be awarded to the " Most Creative Theme ," the "Craziest" and "Most Glamorous " hats.

A catered lunch will be served at 12 noon with entertainment and a fashion show to follow.

The theme this year is Alices' Wonderland. So buy a ticket now and get to work on a costume and hat. You don't want to miss this fun event . All proceeds go to groups that help women and children in Baldwin County.

Tickets are $30 and can be purchased from Sylvia Womack at 955-5294 or Kelly Barrett at 943-4433. Tickets must be purchased in advance as no tickets will be sold at the door.

See you there!

Pictured: Mark and Gloria Welytok at previous Mad Hatters' event

WED, FEB 14

- **Opera "L'Elisir d'Amore" by Donizetti:** 11 a.m.; in high definition from The Metropolitan Opera, Cobb Pinnacle 14 Movie Theater.
- **Gulf Shores Author Series presents Felder Rushing:** 11 a.m.; free; Gulf Shores Cultural Arts Center; (251) 968-9818.
- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.
- **Valentine's Day Chocolate & Beer Pairing:** 4-10 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Company; Gulf Shores.
- **Valentine's Day Vow Renewal:** registration at noon; games, prizes, champagne toast and cake; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Adam Holt:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- **Open Mic Night:** 5:30; Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.
- **Shelby Brown:** 3 p.m.; The Intracoastal at TheWharf; Orange Beach.
- **Danny Grady:** 3:30-5:30 p.m.; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Snowbird Dinner Dance w. Ron, Burt & Marvin:** 6-9 p.m.; The Cove Restaurant & Grill; Gulf Shores.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restau-

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What's Happening

Thursday Lenton lunches slated at Foley Methodist

The Foley United Methodist Church will hold "Lenten Lunches" each Thursday Feb. 15 through March 22. There will be a simple luncheon with a suggested donation of $5 served in the Spirit Center from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., with a program starting just after noon that will include greetings, music, and devotional thoughts from different church, pastors and community leaders each week. Rev, Dr. Nolan Donald will welcome and lead each service. The topics of the messages are from Colossians 3.

Swinging In Sunshine: Mackenzie Fisher and Ms. Roxanne Delatte are enjoying swinging in the sunshine in After School Care at Gulf Shores Elementary School.

Chief Delmore Visits K-Kids Club At GSES: Gulf Shores Chief of Police, Ed Delmore, spoke to the Gulf Shores Elementary School K-Kids on January 30 about why he chose the profession of a police officer. This month marks 36 years that Delmore has served as a police officer. A**above)** Gulf Shores Police Chief Ed Delmore stands with K-Kids Club members who are each holding a Thank You bag made by the K-Kids Club for the Gulf Shores Police Officers. K Kids Club members pictured with Chief Delmore are: Mary Elizabeth Alford, Haley Bedinger, Raeleigh Boesel, Kaleigh Davis, Clawson Diehl, Amelia Eskew, Anna Grace Fields, Max Hamlin, Brody Johnson, Bailian King, Morgan McCartney, Haley Sims, Matheus Siqueira, Ana Bathrick, Jeb Bathrick, Abigail Chamblin, Claire Colvin, Annica Farris, Skylar Gant, Tucker Graham, Cookie Grover, Tucker King, Spencer Kizer, Aeron Queensberry, Logan Rail, Skyler Robertson, Cline Steward, and Masha Turkic. Also pictured are Gulf Shores Kiwanis members David Lee, Jo Jo McCarron and Taylor Means, as well as parent volunteers Mary Robertson and Kimberly Ray. (below) Gulf Shores Elementary School K-Kids Club President, Haley Sims and Vice President, Ana Bathrick presented Gulf Shores Police Chief Ed Delmore with 50 Thank You bags made by the K-Kids members for each officer assigned to the Gulf Shores Police Department;Max Hamilton with his police patch.

rant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Big Beach Running Club:** 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; all levels welcome.
- **Frankie G. On Piano:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **John Joiner & Friends:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Shaggy J & The Coastal Vibrations:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 8; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke:** 9; The Office, Foley.
- **Family Night Dinner & Activities:** 5:45 p.m.; Saint Andrew by the Sea, 17263 Fort Morgan Rd., Gulf Shores; 678-361-2762.
- **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:30 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
- **Veteran's Bingo:** 10 a.m. -2 p.m.; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
- **Trivia Night:** 6:30 p.m.; The Gulf Coast Elks Lodge 2789, Foley; 251-550-1060.
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **Bingo:** 6 p.m.; American Legion Post 240; 8666 Gulf Beach Hwy.; Pensacola.
- **South Alabama Senior Travelers:** 9 a..m; Foley Senior Center; visitors welcome; 251-928-4494.
- **Orange Beach Friends of the Library:** 10; Library meeting room; 978-4106.
- **Food Ministry For Hungry Families:** noon-1 p.m.; Grace Lutheran Church, corner of West 23rd Ave. and West 4th St. in Gulf Shores; 251-968-5991.
- **Bread Ministry:** 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Orange Beach United Methodist Church Brook's Center.
- **Food Bank:** 9 - 11 a.m every Wednesday, Perdido Bay Baptist Church, 12600 Sorrento Rd. Pensacola; call for eligiblity requirements at (850) 492-2604.
- **Gulf Shores Woman's Club:** 11 a.m.; Palmer Room at Craft Farms; all interested women invited to attend; 251-980-5722.
- **Perdido Key Rotary Club:** 7:30 a.m.; every Wednesday at Triggers. 850.492.8335.
- **Gulf Shores Lions Club:** noon; 2nd & 4th Wednesday; noon; Gulf Shores Com-

GSPD Award Winners: (l to r) The Gulf Shores Polic e Dept. recently presented its Officer of the Year Award to Daniel McGowin and also announced ACE Award Winners K9 Officer Seth Headley, Officer Daniel McGowin, Officer Chris Miller, Officer Justin Schulz, Officer William Cowan II, Officer Ben Hancock, K9 Officer Scott Hubbard, Officer Brandon Ward and Officer Richard Cox.

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What's Happening

Growers at Forefront of Local Food Movement forum is Feb. 18

By Mike Healy

The Local Food Production Initiative presents its Local Producers Serving Local Consumers forum on Sunday, February 18 at Jubilee Shores United Methodist Church, located at 17261 AL 181, Fairhope. Doors will open at 1 p.m., with presentations beginning at 2 p.m. Upon completion of presentations, there will be a question & answer period.

Depending upon weather, a tour of JSUM church community gardens and main garden will be given both before and after our meeting. A $5 donation at the door is suggested. More info: fairhopelocalfood.org or Local Food Production Initiative on Facebook, or call 251-504-1173 or 251-978-94442.

The will feature three growers at the forefront of the local food movement - Stewart Perkins of Nature Nine Farms, David Eckman of Eckman Farm, and Terry Underwood, the Mushroom Man. Our Forum will be held

Volunteers needed for Feb. 17 floating cleanup of Weeks Bay

Join the Weeks Bay Foundation and Thompson Engineering for the 2nd Annual February Floating Cleanup of Fish River and Weeks Bay on Feb. 17 from 10 a.m. noon at the Tonsmeire Resource Center, under the Fish River Bridge on Hwy. 98. This paddling cleanup is a great way to help get the trash out of hard to reach spots on our beautiful waterways. Bring your canoe, kayak, or favorite water craft and meet at the Fish River boat ramp to explore the banks of the river and bay picking up trash and recyclables. Weeks Bay Foundation will provide trash bags and nitrile gloves.

Coastal Alabama Pickleball Tourney starts Feb. 27 in Foley

The Coastal Alabama Pickleball Club has announced dates and opened registration for the first event in its 2018 CAPC Tournament Series. The event will be held February 27, 28, & March 1 at the Foley Event Center, and registration is open through Feb. 22 (coastalalabamapickleballclub.com). The event incudes men's, women's and mixed divisions, with pool play to determine seeds, double elimination to determine 1st, 2nd & 3rd place. Each participant is required to bring at least one non-perishable food item in addition to their registration fee. The food item will benefit the Christian Service Center. Cost is $5 per participant per division. The tourney includes a March 1 pickleball clinic by Eddie McDonald, USAPA Ambassador, from 12:30-3 p.m.

Ft. Morgan Fire Dept. Ladies Aux. Spaghetti Dinner March 3

By Jim Thompson

The Fort Morgan Volunteer Fire Departments Ladies Aux. will hold a spaghetti dinner, bake sale and 50/50 drawing on Saturday March 3, 2018 at fire station #1, 12105 State Hwy 180W (also known as Fort Morgan Road) between mile markers 12 and 13. Serving hours are from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For a donation of $8 per plate, you will receive homemade spaghetti, green salad, garlic bread and a choice of iced tea or coffee. Take-outs are available.

Delicious home-baked breads, cakes, cookies, brownies, pies, etc. will be available for purchase. We will also have our local cook book for sale. The annual commemorative Ft. Morgan tee shirts will also be available for $20 each. All proceeds will benefit the Fireman's Benevolence Fund. For further info, call 251-543-1116.

Johanna Avila Wins O.B. Art Fest Poster Contest: The Coastal Art Center and The Friends of The Arts sponsored a design competition for the first ever Orange Beach Festival of Art poster. Gulf Shores Middle School art student Johanna Avila won for the student division and received $50. GSMS art student Mallory Watley received Honorable Mention. All of the artwork will be on display at the 2018 Orange Beach Festival of Art March 10th and 11th.

munity House, 300 E. 16th Avenue; 251-968-2823.

• **Storytime at Pensacola Southwest Branch Library:** free; infant to 5; 10:30-11; 12238 Old Gulf Beach Hwy; (850)453-7780.

• **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

THU, FEB 15

• **Baldwin County Heritage Museum Golf Scramble:** 8 a.m.; Glenlakes Golf Club, Foley.

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.

• **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.

• **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.

• **Open Mic:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.

• **LeAnn Creswell & Lisa Zanghi:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.

• **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.

• **Adam Holt:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.

• **Alabama Lightning:** 6:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.

• **Paxton Norris:** 7; Hub Stacy's at The Point, Pensacola.

• **Ole River String Band:** 6:30; Original Point Restaurant, Pensacola.

• **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.

• **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.

• **Rick Whaley & Tommy Mazullo:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.

• **Karaoke:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.

• **Karaoke:** 8; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.

• **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

• **8 Ball APA:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.

• **Bingo:** 10 a.m.; American Legion Post 44, 6781 Gulf Shores Pkwy (AL Hwy 59), Gulf Shores.

• **Rotary Club of Gulf Shores/Orange Beach:** noon; Gulf Shores Golf Club; visiting Rotarians and guests invited.

• **Gulf Shores United Methodist Church Bread Ministry:** 9-10; every Thursday; room 103 on the south campus, next to Crossroad; 251 968-2411.

• **Adult Bible Study:** 10 a.m.; Gulf Shores Presbyterian Church; all welcome; (251) 968-7720.

• **Orange Beach Bridge Club**: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.

• **Gulf Shores Library Pre-school (3-5) Story Time:** 10:30 a.m.; 251-968-1176.

• **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

FRI, FEB 16

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.

• **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.

• **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.

• **Spearman Brewers:** 6:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.

• **JJ Revival:** 7; The Office, Foley.

• **Strickly Isbell:** 6; The Intracoastal; The Wharf in Orange Beach.

• **Danny Grady:** 3:30-5:30 p.m.; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

• **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 5; Franco's; Orange Beach.

• **Chillbillies:** 7:30; Cocktails & Dreams, Foley.

• **Beyond The Break:** 7; Hub Stacy's at The Point, Pensacola.

• **JERI:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.

• **Bo Grant:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

• **Karaoke w. John Henry:** 5:30; American Legion Post 99; Foley.

• **John Lee Sanders:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.

• **DJ-Karaoke:** 9; The Jellyfish, Perdido Key.

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What's Happening

FOP Elects Officers: The FOP (Fraternal Order of Police) Lodge 43 Baldwin County recently elected its 2018 slate of officers. The FOP represents Active and Retired Law Enforcement Officers and Associates in Baldwin County. The FOP is the largest and only National Police Order in the United States. Many of the top Law Enforcement and Military Agencies in South Alabama utilize the Lodge's range and facilities in Fairhope. Pictured: (l to r) John McEwan ,President; Ken Lee, VP; Jim McDonald, 2nd VP Public Relations; Curtis Wolfe, Treasurer; Greg Duck, Secretary; Walter Crook, Chaplain and Associate Member Advocate; Ben Hays, Sgt at Arms; Ron Bankston, Past President; Also shown is the State President Wesley Knapp swearing in the new officers.

Debakery Bus At OBES: Check out a few of our Orange Beach Elementary 5th grade students learning how to be their best self through the Debakey Drug Education bus program!

Planting Beans At GSES: Gulf Shores Elementary School second graders have planted their lima beans for this year's plant unit. They will journal the changes in the plant growth cycle on the Seesaw app. Next week, they'll be in the STEM lab learning how plants grow through pollination. **Pictured:** Melissa Montiel, Mallie Clolinger, Cali Nelson, Darby Ryall and Zack Shoemaker plant their three lima beans in clear cups with soil. One seed is placed so it is showing through the side of the cup so they can view what happens as the seed grows.

• **Open Jam w. Roger Fleshman:** 8; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
• **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
• **Karaoke:** 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
• **Terry Causey:** 7; Flippers, Orange Beach.
• **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:30 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
• **Bingo:** 5:30; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.
• **Foley Rotary Club:** 12:15 p.m.; Gift Horse Restaurant in Foley; foleyrotary@gulftel.com.
• **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
• **AA:** 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

Foley Police Connection: Two Foley Police Officers and speaker Judy Hughes participated in the recent South Baldwin Christian Women's Connection. The South Baldwin Christian Women's Connection meets monthly at the Gift Horse Restaurant for a buffet luncheon. No membership or dues are required. More info: 251-943-7142.

SAT, FEB 17

• **Sweetheart 5k, Sea Turtle 1/2 Marathon and Sweetheart 1 Mile Run:** 8 a.m.; The Hangout, Gulf Shores Public Beach, (251) 747-7232.
• **Gulf Shores Women's Club Annual Tour of Homes:** 9:30 a.m. 'til; (251) 978-3410.
• **LuLu's 10th Annual Tropical Re-union Wedding Vow Renewal Ceremony:** 11 a.m.; Lucy Buffett's LuLu's, Gulf Shores; (251) 967-5858.
• **12th Annual Trivia Night and Silent Auction:** 6 p.m.; Orange Beach Event Center at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.
• **Rick Whaley & Jon Cook:** 6; The Intracoastal; The Wharf in Orange Beach.
• **Rex:** 6:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.
• **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor**

Caitlin Buemi Memorial Cornhole Tourney March 3 at Glenlakes Golf Club

The Caitlin Buemi Memorial Corn Hole Tourney will be held on Saturday, March 3 behind the clubhouse at Glenlakes Golf Club in Foley. Gather friends and enter a team for fun day playing cornhole and raising money for local students. Registration starts at 9 a.m., and play will start at 10 a.m. Entry for the double elimination tourney is $50 for a team of two and payable at the tourney. There will be prizes and goodies for players, a split the pot drawing and other fun stuff during the event.

All proceeds go to the Caitlin Buemi Memorial Fund. For more info or sponsorship info, call Niki Grady at 251-508-0354.

Foley High School student Caitlin Buemi was tragically killed in a car accident on March 7, 2010. She was a bright, athletic, loving girl who was full of life. Caitlin was a competition cheerleader, varsity soccer player, varsity cheerleader, ran track and was an active member of her church. She worked as well as maintained an a/b average in school. She wanted to go to the University of Alabama to peruse a career in sports medicine. Since her death, Caitlin's family has hosted golf and softball tournaments and other events to raise money to provide scholarhips to local students, who write essays on why you shouldn't text and drive and why you should wear your seatbelt. "Caitlin made a life changing decision that we want to educate people on. Don't text and drive and please wear your seatbelt," said Caitlin's mom, Niki Grady.

Pictured: John Carturillo & Fred Patrick earned top honors ahead of 2nd place Bobby Taylor & Shawn Taylor at the2017 Caitlin Buemi Memorial Corn Hole Tourney. Pictured along with the finalists are tourney volunteers and coordinators.

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What's Happening

Foley, Orange Beach, Magnolia Springs & Gulf Shores celebrate Arbor Day with giveaways

Gulf Shores, Orange Beach and Foley - official tree cities all - will celebrate Arbor Day with tree giveaways on Feb. 24, while Magnolia Springs will celebrate on Feb. 17.

Communities that earn Tree City USA recognition not only have taken the time to meet strict standards, they know that trees improve the visual appeal of a neighborhood, increase property values, reduce home cooling costs, remove air pollutants and provide wildlife habitat, among many other benefits.

Gulf Shores Arbor Day

Gulf Shores Arbor Day event on February 24 will be from 8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. at the Erie Meyer Civic Center. Residents of each household that reside within the city limits may select four different trees from the six varieties: American Snowbell, Sweetbay Magnolia, Wild Olive, Trident Maple, Pawpaw and Flatwoods Plum.

To receive the trees, residents must register at the check-in table with proof of Gulf Shores residency. Residents receive four tickets per qualifying household. The trees are potted in one gallon containers and are ready for planting. A brochure giving specifics on each tree is available to residents. Members of the Gulf Shores Landscape Division will be onsite to answer questions about the trees.

As an additional incentive, there will be a drawing for 12 specialty fruit trees at 9 a.m. Residents who are registered and present will be entered into the drawing. For more info, call 251-968-1166.

Orange Beach Arbor Day

Orange Beach will give away saplings away in front of Community Development on Saturday, February 24 from 8-10 a.m. Seedling varieties will include button bush, river birch, chestnut oak and bald cypress.

For the 20th year, Orange Beach has met the four standards to become a Tree City USA community: it has a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least $2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation. For more info, contact Larry Ellis at 251-981-1062.

Foley Arbor Day

Foley's 37th Annual Celebration of Arbor Day will be held at the Coastal Alabama Farmers and Fishermens Market, located at 20733 Miflin Road, at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 24. Boy Scout Troop 77 will assist in distributing trees. An assortment of trees in three gallon containers will be available, one per person please. Bald Cypress and Southern Magnolia trees will be dedicated and planted in memory of three special people who loved Foley and made the city a better place because of the time they spent here. Dedications will be made in memory of Mr. J.M. Lee, Mr. Sidney Kaiser and Ms. Patsy Brackin.

Foley, formally recognized as a Tree City, proudly promotes the planting of trees. Trees reduce erosion, cut heating and cooling costs, produce oxygen, provide habitat for wildlife and add beauty to our environment. The Baldwin County Master Gardeners, and certified arborists, and representatives from the Alabama Forestry Commission will be on hand to answer questions about trees.

Magnolia Springs Arbor Day

The Magnolia Springs Garden Club will again sponsor Arbor Day in Magnolia Springs on Saturday, February 17 from 8 - 11 a.m. at the Magnolia Springs Fire Hall located on the corner of CR 49 and Gates Ave. Mayor Bob Holk will read the Town's proclamation and the Boy Scouts and Head Start will also participate. Refreshments will be served.

A variety of trees will be given away, including: Fringe tree, Sand Oak, Long Leaf Pine, Yellow Poplar, Sweetbay Magnolia, Red Buckeye, Crab Apple and Wax Myrtle.

Gerry Lester is President of the Garden Club and Joy Zeanah is serving as 2018 Arbor Day Chair.

Pictured: Members of Scout Troop 77 distribute trees at the 2017 Arbor Day celebration in Foley.

& Kathy Lyons: 5; Franco's; Orange Beach.
- **DJ's Birthday Party:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **Tony Ray Thompson Band:** 9; The Office, Foley.
- **Moderate Chop:** 2-6 p.m.; The Flying Harpoon 2, Orange Beach.
- **Live Karaoke in the Tiki Bar:** 6; Live Bait, Orange Beach.
- **Sat. Nite Vibes w. Loaded Gunn, B2B, CXXNZY:** 9; The Club at Live Bait, Orange Beach.
- **Bo Grant:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **John Brust:** 6; Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Platinum Premier:** 7; Hub Stacy's at The Point, Pensacola.
- **Karaoke By Kelly:** 9: Island Time Daquari Bar, The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- **Flip Flop Mafia:** 7; Flippers, Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 8; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **DJ-Karaoke:** 9; The Jellyfish, Perdido Key.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Open Jam w. Jim McAdams:** 8; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- **Baldwin County Genealogical Society:** 10 a.m.; public invited; Foley Library; 319 East Laurel Ave.
- **Optimist Club of Perdido Bay:** breakfast every Saturday at 7 a.m. at the Lillian Community Club in Lillian; (251) 961-2620.
- **AA:** 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship

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What's Happening

Cookin' With Carolyn

By Carolyn Godfrey

Turkey Scallopini with Marsala Sauce

1/2 cup flour
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. pepper
1 pkg. (17.6 oz.) turkey breast cutlets
2 Tbsp. olive oil
1-1/2 cups Marsala wine
3 Tbsp. butter
3 Tbsp. shredded Parmesan cheese
Hot cooked linguine, optional

In a large resealable plastic bag, mix flour, salt and pepper. Add turkey cutlets, one at a time, close bag and shake to coat. In a large skillet; heat oil over medium heat. Add turkey; cook 3-4 min. on each side or until meat is no longer pink. Remove from pan. Stir in wine. Bring to a boil; cook 8-10 min. or until liquid is reduced to about 1/2 cup. Stir in butter until melted. Return turkey to pan; heat through. Serve with cheese and , if desired, linguine. Yield: 4 servings. **Enjoy!**

SBCC Golf Tourney scheduled March 23

By Rachel Spear

Are you ready for a day away from the office to relax and have some fun? Then we are ready for you! The 4th Annual Golf Classic, presented by Ascend Performance Materials, is set for March 23 at Craft Farms – Cotton Creek. A portion of the proceeds from this 4-man scramble will benefit the Hattie Little Smith Free Enterprise Scholarship fund. All golfers will receive a tournament bag, lunch & two drink vouchers. There will be some fun and friendly competition including longest drive, closest to pin, and a raffle for a 3-night stay in a gulf front condo, provided by Meyer Vacation Rentals. Individual and top team prizes will be awarded. So grab your clubs, golf balls and some friends for the 4th Annual Golf Classic! Register online by visiting our website, mylocalchamber.net, or give us a call at 251.943.3291.

Perdido Key advocates gather to answer questions at Chamber hosted forum

District 3 County Commissioner Doug Underhill and other community leaders answered questions from citizens during a Jan. 31 Perdido key Advocacy Committee community forum.

The forums was sponsored by the Perdido Key Area Chamber of Commerce.

When people get one bite of Perdido Key, they want more," said Underhill, the challenged business owners to reach out to Visit Pensacola for their grants and bring the money and visitors back to the Perdido Area.

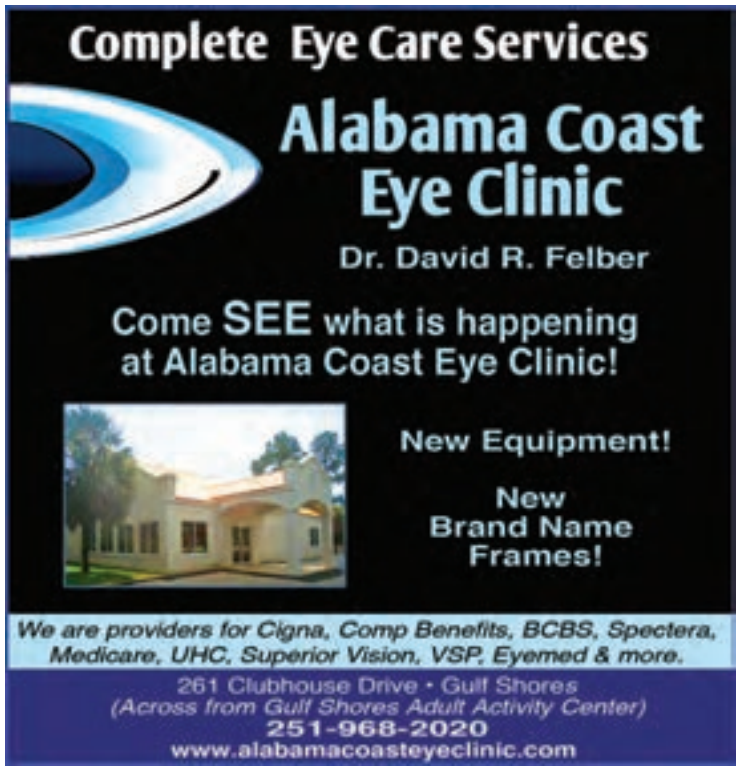
Covering many topics, Underhill spoke to the issues of environment education, the current economic boom regarding development on the key, and the dangers of offshore oil drilling to the way of life on the island. He also spoke to private versus public land use, the multi-use path, underground utilities and protecting our water resources. "The Perdido Chamber is proud to serve as a voice for many individuals and business owners on and around the key to ensure a prosperous community and growth of the area and its businesses," said Executive Director Jo Ann Slaydon.

Pictured: Advocates and attendees share their love for the island by posing with "I Heart Perdido Key" Signs. Left to Right: Frederique Beroset, CEO of Dune Doctors; Judy Davis, Owner of Perdido Key Sports Bar and Restaurant; Douglas Underhill, County Commissioner of Escambia County District 2; Christian Wagley, Coastal Organizer for Florida-Alabama Gulf Restoration Network; Kim Parker, Center Director at Florida Blue and PKACC Advocacy Committee Chair; Kathy Justice, Realtor at Better Homes and Gardens Main Street Properties; Pat McClellan, Co-Owner of Flora-Bama; Cam Price, Co-Owner of Flora-Bama; Peggy Butler, Realtor at Better Homes and Gardens Main Street Properties; Charles Krupnik, President of the Perdido Key Association.

Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
• **AA:** 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
• **Ladies AA:** 9 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

SUN, FEB 18

• **Local Food Production Initiative Forum presents: Local Producers:** 2 p.m.; Jubilee Shores United Methodist Church, Fairhope; 251-504-1173.
• **Central Flora-Bama:** Church experiences, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Flora-Bama Tent Stage, Perdido Key.
• **Unity Church Beach Service:** 9:45 a.m; The Royal Oyster, Hwy. 59 - 3 blocks from beach in Gulf Shores.
• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.
• **Couples Sunday 2-Person Scramble:** Every Sun. at 2 p.m.; Glenlakes Golf Club, Foley, (251) 955-1220.
• **Troy Martin:** 4; The Intracoastal; The Wharf in Orange Beach.
• **Grits & Pieces:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
• **Porch Ninjas:** 4-8 p.m.; The Flying Harpoon, Gulf Shores.
• **Johnny Mullen & Clay Connor:** 3 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.
• **Shaggy J:** 2-6 p.m.; The Flying Harpoon 2, Orange Beach.
• **Strickly Isbell:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **Coconut Radio:** 4; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Ft. Morgan.
• **Lisa Christian:** 2 p.m.; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
• **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 5; Franco's; Orange Beach.
• **Scott Koehn:** 5:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.
• **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• **Southern Star:** 5; Monthly Birthday Potluck; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
• **John Joiner & Friends:** 4; Hub Stacey's at the Point; Innerarity Point.
• **Blind Draw Dart Tournament:** 5; Amer-



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Super Chili Cook-off Winners: The Houndstooth Hustlers (Kim Godwin, Todd House & Taylor House) claimed first place honors at the 24th Annual Flora-Bama Super Bowl Chili Cook-Off. The Deplorables (Chris Tipton, Shelly Tipton & John Hewitt) claimed second place at the event, a major fundraiser for The American Cancer Society. The Celsius 232 teams of Davis Daniel, Shane Roussel and Jamey Daniel claimed the third place ribbon. Guys Who Like Chili (Alan Lewis, Mike Murray and Robert Bozeman) won the People's Choice Award and The Purple Parrot Bar & Grill team (Chris Mull, Tracy Mull & Shannon Pokrandt) won the award for Best Booth.

ican Legion Post 99, Foley.
• **9 Ball APA:** 6; The Office, Foley.
• **AA:** 5 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

MON, FEB 19

• **Wacky Winter of Fun presents Art al Fresco String Art:** 10 a.m.; Tacky Jacks; Gulf Shores.
• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.
• **It's Magic!:** 7 p.m.; Erie Meyer Civic Center, Gulf Shores.
• **Trivia at Big Beach:** 7 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.
• **Danny Grady:** 3:30-5:30 p.m.; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.
• **Brent Burns:** 5; Lulu's at Homeport Ma-

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Feb. 16 Flora-Bama Swanky Ball benefits Gulf Coast Youth-Reach

The 3rd Annual Swanky Ball benefiting the Gulf Coast Youth-Reach Foundation will be held on Friday, Feb. 16 beginning at 6 p.m. in the Flora-Bama Big Tent. Tickets for the fundraiser featuring music from The Tip Tops are $50 per person and include a dinner buffet catered by the Flora-Bama Yacht Club and wine. Tables (seat 6) are available for a $500 to Youth-Reach. Dress is Creative Black Tie (Shoes are required except on the beach), and tickets are available in the Flora-Bama gift shop and online at flora-bama.com

Youth-Reach Gulf Coast operates a full-service, Christ-centered residential program for troubled, at-risk and delinquent young men between the ages of 18 and 21 on an 81-acre campus in rural Summerdale. The program is designed to remold values, turn around lives, and lead these guys to a transformational relationship with Jesus. **Pictured:** Big fun at 2017 Ball.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

SOUTH BALD. WOMAN'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP DRIVE A SUCCESS: The recent South Baldwin Woman's Club membership drive at Gelato Joe's in Foley was a huge success, said club president Marsha Andrews "Almost everyone dressed in red for our Go Red for Women's Health theme," she added. The General Federation of Women's Clubs is an international women's organization dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service. Its motto is "Living the Volunteer Spirit." The club meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. For more information, call Andrews at 251-597-9120 or vice president Debby Hauble at 651-491-2082.

America's Boating Course March 17 in Lillian

The Perdido Bay Power Squadron is once again offering the premier boating class, America's Boating Course, on Saturday, March 17, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Lillian Recreation Park, 33914 Widell Ave., Lillian, Alabama. Certified instructors from the Perdido Bay Power Squadron provide instruction as a courtesy to advance recreational boating knowledge. For more info, call Richard Carson at (251) 980-1536.

The course includes information on getting started, what is needed, required and recommended safety equipment, boating rules to live by, navigation chart overview, boat handling, and related topics. The cost is $50 for student materials and lunch. Please make out your check to Perdido Bay Power Squadron. Student materials include a student manual, graduation certificate, and copies of federal and state rules. Two persons in the same household may share a single book. For those sharing a book, there is an $8 charge for the additional lunch. Classes are limited to 16 students. Minimum age is 12, and an adult must accompany anyone under 16. Walk-ins are welcome if space is available. Successful completion of the course meets the basic boating knowledge requirements of most states and territories. Education on Alabama boating law is included in the course and comprehension assessed as part of the course final examination. Purchasing and reviewing the student manual prior to the class is recommended. Register and buy the student manual at either Coleman Outdoor Outlet or Blue Water Ship's Store. Materials may also be obtained on class day at the Recreation Park.

Randy Albright will perform Feb. 18 at St. Thomas By Sea

A Musical Celebration of Life will feature singer-songwriter Randy Albright at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 at St. Thomas by-the-Sea Catholic Church, Orange Beach. Light refreshments will be served after the performance. Proceeds will benefit Good Counsel Mary's Shelter Gulf Coast, a home for homeless pregnant women who choose life for their unborn child.

Tickets are $15 and must be purchased in advance. They are available at St. Thomas by the Sea and The Island Church in Orange Beach; Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, Gulf Shores; St. Margaret Catholic Church, Foley, or by calling Jeanne Franz, 251-968-5268 or franz4323@ya hoo.com.

Snook Youth Club announces auditions for AL Star Wars

On March 24, The Snook Youth Club will be holding auditions for preforming artists of all ages: actors, bands, dancers, singers, and any variety of acts for an opportunity to perform in the Alabama Melting Pot on the main stage at the 2018 Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival. Those interested in performing should contact Patrice Tiggs at snookyouthcluboffoley@gmail.com or call 251-943-1483.

Spaghetti, silent auction part of Legion Relay fundraiser

American Legion Post 99's Relay for Life Team, Eve's Angels will present a Silent Auction starting on Friday, February 23 from 4-8PM, continuing on Saturday from 5-8 PM. In addition, Saturday's Offering will include a Spaghetti Dinner @ $10.00 per plate from 5 to 8 PM. All funds raised will support Relay for Life! Call 251-943-3114 for information!

FUN NIGHT OUT AT GULF COAST ARTS ALLIANCE: The Gulf Coast Arts Alliance (GCAA) drew a large crowd of members from the South Baldwin Newcomer's Club this past January! Members spent the evening creating their own master pieces and learning new pastel painting techniques. Resident artist of the Gulf Coast Arts Alliance, Tommy Vogel, shared his talents with the members, and taught the pastel class. The club provided a tasty pot luck treat before and after the class! Members shared food, laughs, and learned a new love for art all in one fun filled evening at the gallery. To participate in classes find a full schedule on our website, thegulfcoastartsalliance.com or visit our Facebook page, The Gulf Coast Arts Alliance. The GCAA is a non-profit located in Gulf Shores.

rina, Gulf Shores.
- **Mark Laborde & Smokey Otis:** 3 p.m.; The Intracoastal at TheWharf; Orange Beach.
- **Frankie G. & Leann Creswell:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Bingo:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:30 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
- **8 Ball League:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
- **Celebrate Recovery:** (Christ centered 12 step program); Monday evenings at 6 p.m.; Christian Life Church in Orange Beach; 251-967-4840.
- **Overeaters Anonymous: 6; Holy** Spirit Episcopal Church; Gulf Shores, 616 Ft. Morgan Rd.; 251-709-5907.
- **T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly):** weigh-in 5:30; meeting 6; First Presbyterian Church of Foley; (Berry & Highway 59).
- **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **Ladies AA:** 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

TUE, FEB 20
- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.
- **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.
- **It's Magic!:** 7 p.m.; Erie Meyer Civic Center, Gulf Shores.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 8; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Brent Burns:** 3 p.m.; The Intracoastal at TheWharf; Orange Beach.
- **Scott Worlock:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- **Frankie G. On Piano:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
- **Open Mic Karaoke:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Fairhope.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Lisa Zanghi, Doug Habbena, Scott Koehn:** 7; Flippers, Orange Beach.
- **Bowling Tourney: 7;** Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- **JW Karaoke:** 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Karaoke:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon**: 7:30 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola, 850-867-5873 or 901-734-1066.
- **GriefShare Support Group:** For men and women; 6-8 p.m.; Point Church, 13801 Innerarity Point Rd. Info: Shirley Johnson, 601-278-6973.
- **NAPA Pool League:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
- **Bingo:** 10 to 2; Gulf Coast Elks Lodge 2782, Foley: 251-971-2782.
- **Orange Beach City Council Meeting:** 5 p.m.; City Hall; 980-INFO.
- **Sonora Masonic Lodge:** 7 p.m.; 202 E. Jackson Street in Summerdale; sonora635.com.
- **Orange Beach Bridge Club**: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.
- **Orange Beach Library Children's Story Time:** 10 a.m.; preschool; 981-2923.
- **Southwest Branch Library Children's Story Time:** 10:30 a.m.; preschool; 12248 Gulf Beach Hwy, Pensacola; (850) 453-7780.
- **Gulf Shores Kiwanis Club:** Palmer Dining Room at Craft Farms; noon; new members and guests always welcome; 251-981-9999.
- **Kiwanis Club of Foley:** Noon on Tuesdays at Ryan's in Foley; 251-968-6288.
- **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **Al-Anon:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

WED, FEB 21
- **31st Annual Game Day & Salad Luncheon Fundraising Event:** 10 a.m.; Orange Beach Event Center at The Wharf; 251-979-5308.
- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.
- **Open Mic Night:** 5:30; Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.
- **Snowbird Dinner Dance w. Ron, Burt &**

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What's Happening

Marvin: 6-9 p.m.; The Cove Restaurant & Grill; Gulf Shores.
• **Steve Wilkerson:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
• **Danny Grady:** 3:30-5:30 p.m.; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **Shelby Brown:** 3 p.m.; The Intracoastal at TheWharf; Orange Beach.
• **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• **Big Beach Running Club:** 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; all levels welcome.
• **Frankie G. On Piano:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
• **Karaoke:** 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
• **John Joiner & Friends:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
• **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 8; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **Karaoke:** 9; The Office, Foley.
• **Family Night Dinner & Activities:** 5:45 p.m.; Saint Andrew by the Sea, 17263 Fort Morgan Rd., Gulf Shores; 678-361-2762.
• **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:30 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
• **Veteran's Bingo:** 10 a.m. -2 p.m.; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
• **Trivia Night:** 6:30 p.m.; The Gulf Coast Elks Lodge 2789, Foley; 251-550-1060.
• **Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
• **Bingo:** 6 p.m.; American Legion Post 240; 8666 Gulf Beach Hwy.; Pensacola.
• **South Alabama Senior Travelers:** 9 a..m; Foley Senior Center; visitors welcome; 251-928-4494.
• **Orange Beach Friends of the Library:** 10; Library meeting room; 978-4106.
• **Food Ministry For Hungry Families:** noon-1 p.m.; Grace Lutheran Church, corner of West 23rd Ave. and West 4th St. in Gulf Shores; 251-968-5991.
• **Bread Ministry:** 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Orange Beach United Methodist Church Brook's Center.
• **Food Bank:** 9 - 11 a.m every Wednesday, Perdido Bay Baptist Church, 12600 Sorrento Rd. Pensacola; call for eligiblity requirements at (850) 492-2604.
• **Gulf Shores Woman's Club:** 11 a.m.; Palmer Room at Craft Farms; all interested women invited to attend; 251-980-5722.
• **Perdido Key Rotary Club:** 7:30 a.m.; every Wednesday at Triggers. 850.492.8335.
• **Gulf Shores Lions Club:** noon; 2nd & 4th Wednesday; noon; Gulf Shores Community House, 300 E. 16th Avenue; 251-968-2823.
• **Storytime at Pensacola Southwest Branch Library:** free; infant to 5; 10:30-11; 12238 Old Gulf Beach Hwy; (850)453-7780.
• **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

THU, FEB 22

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.
• **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.
• **The University of South Alabama Distinguished Lecture Series presents Sharks:** 6:30 p.m.; Gulf Shores Cultural Arts Center; (251) 460-7200.
• **Open Mic:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
• **LeAnn Creswell & Lisa Zanghi:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
• **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• **Howling Jack:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
• **John Brust:** 6; Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• **Ole River String Band:** 6:30; Original Point Restaurant, Pensacola.
• **Paxton Norris:** 7; Hub Stacy's at The Point, Pensacola.
• **Alabama Lightning:** 6:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.
• **Karaoke:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
• **Karaoke:** 8; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
• **Rick Whaley & Tommy Mazullo:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
• **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
• **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 8; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **8 Ball APA:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
• **Bingo:** 10 a.m.; American Legion Post 44, 6781 Gulf Shores Pkwy (AL Hwy 59), Gulf Shores.
• **Kaiser Realty Tour of Condos**: 9-1; register at 1557 Gulf Shores Parkway, Gulf Shores; Self-guided tour.
• **Marine Corps League of South Baldwin County:** 6 p.m. on 4th Thursday; The Gulf Bowl, 2881 S. Jupiter St., Foley; current and former Marines and Corpsman welcome.
• **Rotary Club of Gulf Shores/Orange Beach:** noon; Gulf Shores Golf Club; visiting Rotarians and guests invited.
• **Gulf Shores United Methodist Church Bread Ministry:** 9-10; every Thursday; room 103 on the south campus, next to Crossroad; 251 968-2411.
• **South Alabama Senior Travelers:** 9 a..m; Foley Senior Center; visitors welcome; 251-928-4494.
• **South Baldwin Amateur Radio Club:** 7 p.m. 4th Thurs. of every month; Baldwin County Emergency Operations Center, McAuliffe Rd., Robertsdale; 251-943-2953.
• **Bingo:** Bear Point Civic Association on Bay La Launch Rd. in Orange Beach; doors open at 6:30 p.m., games at 7 p.m; hotdogs, drinks and snacks available; all invited; 981-5734.
• **Orange Beach Bridge Club**: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.
• **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

FRI, FEB 23

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.
• **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.
• **Danny Grady:** 3:30-5:30 p.m.; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 5; Franco's; Orange Beach.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

TARA MCMEANS DESIGNS HOT AIR BALLOON FEST POSTER: Tara McMeans, owner of Design Print Promote, is the winner of the 14th Annual Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival poster design contest. The Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival will be held on May 4-5. Tara's colorful artwork will not only be the official poster this year, but you will also find it gracing the back of the official Balloon Fest T-shirts. Tara, a native to the Gulf Coast, has been a small business owner for over ten years. She has been involved with the Chamber and particularly the Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival for several years. For the past two years she has designed the official poster and created the detailed event brochures. Her 2018 poster has a unique story. Two years ago, while Tara was at the festival signing posters she decided to do a live painting of the balloons, with the balloon "ADO" from Southern Balloon Journey being her main inspiration. Tara has many talents but will tell you painting is not something that she does often. She finished the painting during the 2017 festival and enhanced it with graphic design before submitting the final artwork to the contest. The South Baldwin Chamber and Balloon Festival Committee are pleased to award Tara, as the 2018 Poster Design winner. We are so proud to have such a creative mind like Tara to contribute to our organization. We certainly can not wait to see what else she will come up with.

You can have Tara sign your official poster at the event this year. Official posters and t-shirts will be available for purchase at the Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival or in advance through the website, gulfcoastballoonfestival.com.

Visit gulfcoastballoonfestival.com for more info.

I Pink I Can 4-Mile Breast Cancer Run Feb. 24 at 'Bama

The Fifth Annual I Pink I Can Run 4 Mile Breast Cancer Run will be held on Satuorday, Feb. 18 at the Flora-Bama Lounge at 9 a.m

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Funds raised will offset housecleaning and medicine costs for those in recovery, assist the purchase of wigs and mastectomy bras and pay for mammograms for women who can't otherwise afford them. Race day registration and packet pick-up is from 7-8:30 a.m. , and the rate is $35. Visit reweduyayas.com or facebook for more info.

Pictured: Runners having fun for a good cause at 2017 run.

Baldwin Pops presents free Feb. 27 concert at O.B. Event Center

The Baldwin Pops Band will present "Baldwin Pops Winter Concert" at the Orange Beach Event Center at 7 PM Tuesday, February 27. This free concert concludes the 20th Anniversary of the Baldwin Pops Band. This concert is sponsored by the City of Orange Beach. Contact baldwinpops.com, search Facebook for Baldwin Pops Band, or call 251-987-5757 for more info. The Baldwin Pops Band performed its first concert 20 years ago this week. Two of the original conductors from 1998 will conduct pieces on this concert. Conductor Emeritus Joe Riemer, who continues to play in the band, will conduct Esprit de Corps by Robert Jager. Steve Sims, retired band director from Fairhope and McGill-Toolen high schools, will conduct aJohn Philip Sousa march, Whos Who in Navy Blue.

The band's new conductor for 2017/2018, Dr. Jason Rinehart, who is Associate Director of Bands at the University of South Alabama, will conduct a challenging program including Commando March by Samuel Barber, The Promise of Living by Aaron Copland, Finale to Symphony No. 5 by Dmitri Shostakovich, and The Witch and the Saint by Steven Reineke. Cathy Brumback, vocalist, will be featured on As Time Goes By by Herman Hupfeld.

- **Strickly Isbell:** 6.; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.
- **Bo Grant:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Smokey & Chicago Bob:** 6; The Intracoastal; The Wharf in Orange Beach.
- **Tony Ray Thompson Band:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **Rebecca Barry:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- **Crosstown:** 7; Hub Stacy's at The Point, Pensacola.
- **Live Karaoke in the Tiki Bar:** 6; Live Bait, Orange Beach.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke w. John Henry:** 5:30; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Karaoke:** 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Open Jam:** 8; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- **DJ-Karaoke:** 9; The Jellyfish, Perdido Key.
- **Terry Causey:** 7; Flippers, Orange Beach.
- **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:30 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
- **Bingo:** 5:30; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.
- **Alcoholics Anonymous:** noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center; 13660 Innerarity Pt. Rd.; 850-492-3056 or 492-6362.

SAT, FEB 24

- **Opera "La Boheme" by Puccini:** 11:30 am; In high definition from The Metropolitan Opera, Cobb Pinnacle 14 Movie Theater; Gulf Shores.
- **A View From The Top Condo Tour:** 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.; ticket info: (251) 923-6082.
- **26th Annual Orange Beach Seafood Festival & Car Show:** 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; The Wharf in Orange Beach; (251) 981-1524.
- **World Team Tennis Gulf Shores Tournament:** 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; The Beach Club, Ft. Morgan; (251) 233-9984.
- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.

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SPEARMAN BREWERS.....2/16: 6:30-9:30pm
BLUE WATER BBQ CATERING.....2/16: 6:30-9:30pm
LIVE MUSIC.....Rex, 2/17:6:30-9:30pm
LIVE MUSIC.....Johnny Mullen & Clay Connor, 2/18: 3-6pm
TRIVIA NIGHT @ BIG BEACH.....2/19 & 2/26: 7pm
THE BEAN & BISTRO CATERING.....2/23: 6-9pm
LIVE MUSIC.....Strickly Isbell, 2/23: 6:30-9:30pm
LIVE MUSIC.....Edward David Anderson, 2/24: 6:30-9:30pm
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Special Friend Visits Campus: Melissa Gentry-Ryall's fifth grade class at Gulf Shore Elementary School had a beautiful view out of their class window recently. Emma Lauber sneaks a picture with their new "friend."

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- **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.
- **Edward David Anderson:** 6:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.
- **Scott Koehn & Hannah:** 6; The Intracoastal; The Wharf in Orange Beach.
- **Knee Deep:** 9; The Office, Foley.
- **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **The Defrosters:** 2-6 p.m.; The Flying Harpoon 2, Orange Beach.
- **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 5; Franco's; Orange Beach.
- **Rock Bottom Duo:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- **Bo Grant:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke By Kelly:** 9: Island Time Daquari Bar, The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- **Sat. Nite Vibes w. Loaded Gunn, B2B, CXXNZY:** 9; The Club at Live Bait, Orange Beach.
- **The Blenders:** 7; Hub Stacy's at The Point, Pensacola.
- **Flip Flop Mafia:** 7; Flippers, Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 8; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **DJ-Karaoke:** 9; The Jellyfish, Perdido Key.
- **Open Jam:** 8, American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Optimist Club of Perdido Bay:** breakfast every Saturday at 7 a.m. at the Lillian Community Club in Lillian; (251) 961-2620.
- **AA:** 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **AA:** 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **Ladies AA:** 9 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

SUN, FEB 25

- **Central Flora-Bama Church:** Church experiences, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Flora-Bama Tent Stage, Perdido Key.
- **Unity Church Beach Service:** 9:45 a.m.;

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Ducks Unlimited Gun & Cooler Bash Feb. 17 at 'Bama

The Alabama Gulf Coast chapter of Ducks Unlimited will host the Flora-Bama Gun & Cooler Bash on Saturday, Feb. 17 from noon until 5 p.m. in the 'Bama Dome.

For tickets or more info, call Tommy Ware at 228-364-2672 or Hayden Brown at 251-923-7533. Tickets are available online and will also be available at the event. The draw down starts at noon.

Ducks Unlimited is the world's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to conserving North America's continually disappearing waterfowl habitats. Established in 1937, DU has conserved more than 14 million acres thanks to contributions from more than a million supporters across the continent. Guided by science and dedicated to program efficiency, DU works toward the vision of wetlands sufficient to fill the skies with waterfowl today, tomorrow and forever. For more information on our work, visit ducks.org.

Drawdown Items

• **Guns:** CZ 712 G2 DU Camo 12ga; Beretta A300 Outlander 12ga; Mossberg Patriot DU Camo; Winchester SXP DU Camo 12ga; Ruger American Bolt-Action .270 Rifle; Nova Synthetic Black 12ga 28-3.5In; Browning A5 MOBL Camo 12ga 28-3.5In; Remington 870 Express Super Turkey/Waterfowl 12ga 26-3.5In
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• **Coolers:** YETI Roadie 20 Tan with DU Logo; YETI Roadie 20 White with DU Logo; YETI Tundra 35 Tan with DU Logo; YETI Tundra 35 White with DU Logo; YETI Tundra 45 Tan with DU Logo; Summit 70 Steel Gray with DU Logo; Summit 90 Glacier White with DU Logo; Summit 30 Glacier White w/ DU CREST; Summit 120 Steel Gray with DU Logo; Summit 20 Duck Boat Green with DU Logo

Wonder Women's Wellness Workshop Feb. 17 at O.B.'s Hotel Indigo

How would you like to find a way to feel better that's drug-free, pain-free, and actually can make a difference? The Wonder Women's Wellness Workshop is being offered by Rio Cordy and Darcy Toth **(pictured)** at the Hotel Indigo, Orange Beach on February 17.

The event will offer a variety of classes, including Stress Reduction, Creative Movement for right and left brain, Life Coaching, and introduction to Reiki and Tai Chi. This workshop is a great way for you to meet new people that are like-minded. You will have fun and gain new skills to improve your lifestyle.

"We've been working as a wellness team for a few years. Together we bring a lot to the table because of our vastly different backgrounds. Last year we traveled to Miami for a coaching seminar held on South Beach," said Barlow, a Miami native.

"It lifted us to find more ways to improve our daily lives. We want to share what we've taken a lifetime to learn with others."

Barlow and Toth, who is from Michigan, have very diversified background experiences.

Rio danced ballet professionally around the world and is the founder and owner of the Coastal Ballet Academy in Foley. She is also an experienced Massage Therapist and Tai Chi instructor.

Darcy is a Certified Health Coach. Her background includes 34 years teaching women to build in-home businesses. She also has an education background in speech and language pathology. Darcy and Rio are both Reiki Master/Teachers. For more info, visit Facebook at Coaching For A Change, or Call Rio Barlow at (251) 979-9851.

Sonora Masonic Lodge serving fried chicken dinners on March 3

Sonora Masonic Lodge #635 F&AM will hold the last of its 2018 winter fried chicken dinner fundraisers on March 3 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. The lodge is located at 202 E. Jackson Street in Summerdale. Adult plates will be $9 and a child's plate will be $5. The dinners will include chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, cole slaw, green beans and complimentary tea and dessert for dine-in guests. Proceeds generated from the fundraiser will be used for lodge expenditures. Delivery available on orders of 10 or more. For more information contact Dean Mott at 251-423-7604 or visit our lodge Facebook page.

Tropical Reunion wedding vow renewal at LuLu's on Feb. 17

Couples can renew their wedding vows at LuLu's restaurant in Gulf Shores on Saturday, February 17, at a 2 p.m. complimentary wedding vow renewal ceremony. It will be officiated by Hurricane Jane, an ordained minister and a member of the Lower Alabama Parrot Head Club. Arrive a little early to settle in and stay for the fun. Love couples will enjoy a romantic afternoon on LuLu's private sandy beach along the Intracoastal Waterway with live entertainment, champagne, cake, flowers and a customized commemorative wedding vow renewal certificate. Prizes will be awarded to the couples who were married the longest, shortest, and who are dressed the most festively.

"We have been doing our Tropical Re-union Wedding Vow Renewal ceremony for the past nine years at our Gulf Shores restaurant," said Lucy Buffett, founder and owner of LuLu's in Gulf Shores and Destin. "Several hundred couples re-new their vows in Gulf Shores each year and we are looking forward to it again. Especially for our Snowbirds in town now – what could be a more perfect Valentine's Day present to each other?"

Pre-register on-line at lulubuffett.com. Couples can register the day of the event, February 17, starting at 11 am. LuLu's is located in Gulf Shores at the foot of the Intracostal Waterway Bridge, next to Homeport Marina. For more info, visit lulubuffett.com, or call 251-967-5858.

The Royal Oyster, Hwy. 59, three blocks from beach in Gulf Shores.

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.

• **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.

• **World Team Tennis Gulf Shores Tournament:** 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; The Beach Club, Ft. Morgan; (251) 233-9984.

• **Sunday 2-Person Scramble:** Every Sun. at 2 p.m.; Glenlakes Golf Club, Foley, (251) 955-1220.

• **Honey Boy & Boots:** 3 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.

• **Coconut Radio:** 4; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Ft. Morgan.

• **Troy Martin:** 4; The Intracoastal; The Wharf in Orange Beach.

• **The Defrosters:** 2-6 p.m.; The Flying Harpoon 2, Orange Beach.

• **Shaggy J:** 4-8 p.m.; The Flying Harpoon, Gulf Shores.

• **Lisa Christian:** 2 p.m.; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.

• **Rhonda Hart:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

• **Sticky Too:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.

• **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 5; Franco's; Orange Beach.

• **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.

• **Scott Koehn:** 5:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.

• **Karaoke:** 5; Monthly Birthday Potluck; American Legion Post 99, Foley.

• **John Joiner & Friends:** 4; Hub Stacey's at the Point; Innerarity Point.

• **Blind Draw Dart Tournament:** 5; American Legion Post 99, Foley.

• **9 Ball APA:** 6; The Office, Foley.

MON, FEB 26

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.

• **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.

• **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.

• **Brent Burns:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.

• **Trivia at Big Beach:** 7 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.

• **Mark Laborde & Smokey Otis:** 3 p.m.; The Intracoastal at TheWharf; Orange Beach.

• **Frankie G. & LeAnn Creswell:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.

• **Danny Grady:** 3:30-5:30 p.m.; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

• **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 8; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

• **Alabama Lightning:** 6:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.

• **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:30 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.

• **Bingo:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.

• **8 Ball League:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.

• **Overeaters Anonymous:** 6; Holy Spirit Episcopal Church; Gulf Shores, 616 Ft. Morgan Rd.; 251-709-5907.

• **Celebrate Recovery:** (Christ centered 12 step program); Monday evenings at 6 p.m.; Christian Life Church in Orange Beach; 251-967-4840.

• **T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly):** weigh-in 5:30; meeting 6; First Presbyterian Church of Foley; (Berry & Highway 59).

• **Alcoholics Anonymous:** noon; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center; 13660 Innerarity Pt. Rd.; 850-492-3056 or 492-6362.

• **Alcoholics Anonymous and Alanon:** Holy Spirit Episcopal Church in Gulf Shores at noon; Alanon at Orange Beach Presbyterian Church in Orange Beach at 7 p.m.; 800-477-1104.

• **Ladies AA:** 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

• **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

TUE, FEB 27

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.

Donald Gulley of Summerchase earns Island Spirit Award

The Coastal Alabama Business Chamber recently presented its Island Spirit Award for February to Donald Gulley of Summerchase Condominium Assocation. Megan Smith, VP of Business Development for the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber, cited Gulleys' dedication to his job and the Coastal Alabama area. The person who nominated Mr. Gulley had this to say about him, "Donald comes to work every day with a smile on his face. He greets every owner and guest with a "Hello", "Good Morning", or a "How are you doing today?". I am forever grateful to have Donald as an employee, but today I am thankful for the endless job he has as a ground keeper and custodian." Penny Groux chairs the Island Spirit Committee. Anyone can nominate a people they feel provided excellent customer service to our residents and visitors alike. Info: islandspiritaward.com.

What's Happening

• **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.
• **Snowbird Listings:** Snowbird oriented events on pages 52 to 61.
• **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 8; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **Brent Burns:** 3 p.m.; The Intracoastal at TheWharf; Orange Beach.
• **Frankie G. On Piano:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
• **Karaoke:** 5:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
• **Brandon Coleman & Drew Nix:** 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
• **Karaoke:** 5; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.
• **Open Mic Karaoke:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Fairhope.
• **JW Karaoke:** 6; Hub Stacy's At The Point, Innerarity Point.
• **Bowling Tourney:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
• **NAPA Pool League:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
• **Coastal Photography Club**: 6:30 p.m.; Foley Senior Center (304 East Rose Ave.).
• **Bingo:** 10 to 2; Gulf Coast Elks Lodge 2782, Foley: 251-971-2782.
• **South Baldwin Republican Women:** Gift Horse Rest., 11:30 a.m.; 4th Tuesday of Every Month, public invited, Info: 251-978-6178.
• **GriefShare Support Group:** For men and women; 6-8 p.m.; Point Church, 13801 Innerarity Point Rd. Info: Shirley Johnson, 601-278-6973.
• **Orange Beach City Council Meeting:** 5 p.m.; City Hall; 980-INFO.
• **Sonora Masonic Lodge:** 7 p.m.; 202 E. Jackson Street in Summerdale; sonora635.com.
• **Orange Beach Bridge Club**: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.
• **Orange Beach Library Children's Story Time:** 10 a.m.; preschool; 981-2923.
• **Southwest Branch Library Children's Story Time:** 10:30 a.m.; preschool; 12248 Gulf Beach Hwy, Pensacola; (850) 453-7780.
• **Overcomers Outreach:** 7 p.m.; First Baptist Church of Orange Beach; 980-1705.
• **Gulf Shores Kiwanis Club:** Palmer Dining Room at Craft Farms; noon; new members and guests always welcome; 251-981-9999.
• **Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon**: 7:30 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola, 850-867-5873 or 901-734-1066.
• **Kiwanis Club of Foley:** Noon on Tuesdays at Ryan's in Foley; 251-968-6288.
• **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

Foley Garden Club: The Foley Gardeners' Club recently enjoyed their holiday party at Jesses Restaurant. Afterward, members had a cookie exchange and dessert at the home of Kathleen McVey. The garden club meets the 3rd Thursday, September thru May, Foley Public Library at 12:30. For more information, call Linda Ford at. 251-972-8721. Pictured: **Pictured**: (l to r) Kathleen McVey, Dwannah Childress, Donna Burnham, Donna Johnston. Front row left to right are Lynn Nelson, Gayle Floyd, and Angela Flower. Not pictured: Linda Ford.

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SnowBird NEWS

Pennsylvania

The Pennsylvania Snowbird Club meets Wednesday mornings for breakfast at 8:00 a.m. Our meeting dates are: January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; February 7, 14, 28; March 7. For place of meeting information and our other activities please contact Rich Smith at 484 264 1394 or bettyrich@rcn.com.

New York

By Frank Panczyszyn

New York Snowbirds enjoyed their second luncheon on Thursday, February 8th at Gilbey's in Orange Beach. Over 90 New Yorkers and guests enjoyed hearing from Bailey Kennon, Miss Leeds, and contestant again for Miss Alabama, regarding her "Mission", self-respect. There will be a New York Ladies Luncheon on Thursday, February 1 at Craft Farms, with a Hat theme. They will gather at 11am, order off a special menu, with separate checks. If interested, contact Marie at 518-708-4790. They will also be traveling to Biloxi and the Golden Nugget on February 20. Contact Lennie at 315-323-5267 for details. New York's next luncheon will be Thursday, February 22 at Ginny Lane. They will gather for registration at 11AM, and begin lunch at 1130AM. They will select from a special menu and receive separate checks. $1 per person will be collected at registration. For attendance, if you haven't already done so, contact Tracy by text or call 585-748-0133, or email nysnowbirds@gmail.com no later than February 5. The last luncheon will be March 8 at Ginny Lane.

Ohio

By Barbara Chandler

FEB 2 - GOODTIMES ROYALTY & RAMPART BUS TOUR-$69 Ride to Carnival Museum in Mobile, get on a Mardi Gras Float, to Ft Gaines-Dauphin Island, to Toomey's Bead World and a box lunch. Signup sheet next meeting or call Ruth 740-361-9166. FEB 5 - CRAFT FARMS LUNCH 1pm – Order from menu; very nice lunch specials. Off County Rd 4, second entrance. FEB 7 - CLUB BREAKFAST MTG Magnolia Hall–LUNA's. $10/person. Arrive between 8am-9am, buffet at 9am. Meeting follows. Dylan Tucker from Ft Morgan will speak. FEB 12-DEEP SEA FISHING CHARTER Reel Surprise - $65 Begins 7am. Sign up at next meeting or call Harold Fryman at 740-361-9180. FEB 14 - POTLUCK AT THE PHOENIX 5 6pm. ASH WEDNESDAY & VALENTINE'S DAY. Signup sheet at next meeting to bring a meat/fish, side dish or dessert or call Ruth 740-361-9166. FEB 18 - BILL'S BY THE BEACH DINNER 5pm. If you signed up for the play Nana's Naughty Nickers, this dinner will be after the play. The restaurant is on West Beach Blvd on the north side. Signup sheet at next meeting or call Ruth 740-361-9166. FEB 20 - DOLPHIN CRUISE $15 plus tax - Signup sheet at next meeting or call Ruth 740-361-9166. FEB 21 - CLUB BREAKFAST MTG Magnolia Hall–LUNA's. $10/person. Arrive between 8am-9am, buffet at 9am. Meeting follows. Fourwinds Barbershop Chorus will entertain us. FEB 23 - LOW COUNTRY BOIL Fundraiser for the Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo- Weather permitting we will be at the Zoo on Hwy 59. If raining, we will be having the event at St Andrew by the Sea on Ft Morgan Road. All you can eat and your beverage. Gayle will be selling tickets starting at the Feb 7 breakfast and Bob Hofacker will have signup sheets then to volunteer. Signup sheet will be available at the next meeting or call Bob or Gayle at 937-621-1700. MAR 7 - CLUB BREAKFAST MTG- Our last meeting. Magnolia Hall–LUNA's. $10/person. Arrive between 8am-9am, buffet at 9am. Meeting follows. We are unconfirmed as of yet if we will have a speaker at our last meeting.

Michigan

Please contact Deb Singer at debisinger@yahoo.com if you have digital photos of club events and activities that you would like included in the Michigan Club photo album.

February 14-GOLF: Cotton Creek, 12:00 shotgun, contact Sheri Plumley at 231-690-2686. February 15-MICHIGAN CLUB MEETING at Erie Meyer Center,coffee 9:00-9:45, meeting starts at 10:00, FOOD DRIVE, please bring can goods. February 19-GOLF: Timber Creek, MI vs WI, 10:30 lunch, 12:00 Shotgun, contact Don Falat at 734-925-1982; BLOOD DRIVE 10-3,Gulf Shores Activity Center, contact Chuck Skully at 231-884-3171. February 21- LAW ENFORCEMENT LUNCHEON, 12:00, American Legion Post 44, contact Tom Westlake at 269-252-7029; GOLF: Peninsula. Tee times 10:12-12:44, contact Dave Ferguson at 989-435-9085. February 22-FLIP DADDY LUNCHEON, 11:30,contact Ed Phillipson at 989-621-9755. February 23-LOW COUNTRY BOIL, Gulf Shores Zoo, $13, contact Jerry Wallace at 231-313-6981.

Phoenix East Art Show Feb. 17

Phoenix East Annual Art Show; Saturday, Feb. 17. Phoenix East Meeting Room; 10am-1pm. Everyone welcome. Coffee and treats. Come and meet the artists.

Law Enforcement Luncheon

There will be a retired Law Enforcement luncheon on Wednesday, February 21st at the American Legion, 6781 Ste Highway 59 in Gulf Shores. John MacMeekin, a retired prison administrator, will speak. Lunch will be ordered off the menu on your own. Contact Tom Westlake at 269-252-7029. Much more information is available on our website, michiganclubalabama.com. Please contact Deb Singer at debisinger@yahoo.com if you have digital photos of club events and activities that you would like included in the Michigan Club photo album.

Snowbird Hootenanny March 1

Join the Perdido Key Chamber of Commerce and your hosts at the Flora-Bama on Thursday, March 1 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Admission is $10 per person and tickets are limited. Register on VisitPerdido.com or by calling (850) 492-4660. You may also purchase tickets in person at one of the two locations: The Perdido Key Area Chamber of Commerce, 15500 Perdido Key Dr., Pensacola,The Flora-Bama Gift Shop, 17401 Perdido Key Dr. (at the state line).

2019 Snowbird Theater auditions

Snowbird Theater auditions for 2019 will be held on
Wednesday, February 21 at 5 p.m and Thursday, February 22 at 10 a.m. at the South Baldwin Community Theater, located at 2022 West 2nd Street, Gulf Shores. For a copy of the script, contact Larry Rebert at 269-330-4214 or larryrebert@yahoo.com

Actors and Actresses must be in Gulf Shores for all of January and about half of February 2019 for rehearsals and performances. Typical rehearsal schedule could be Mon. through Fri. for 4 hours with longer commitments the last of January and the first week of February. The play will run for two weeks in February, Wednesday through Sunday.

Not an actor or actress? The Snowbird Theater Group is also looking for snowbirds to help in 2019 in many other capacities. If you have carpenter skills, can paint, are interest in lighting or sound, shopping for effects and props or if you would like to help by baking cookies, working the box office selling tickets or during intermission to serve food and drinks, please contact Larry Rebert at 269-330-4215 or larryrebert@yahoo.com.

Snowbird Trivia Feb. 17

The Friends of the Orange Beach Library will be hosting Snowbird Trivia Night on Saturday, February 17 at the Orange Beach Event Center at the Wharf. Tables are $120, with 8 players per table. Doors will open at 5 p.m., and play starts at 6 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Larry or Sharon at 251-975-1258 and leave a message.

SnowBird NEWS

Welcome Wednesdays at 'Bama

Welcome Wednesdays potluck lunches are back at the Flora-Bama through March 1. The weekly lunch features live music, followed by drawings for goods, services and merchandise compliments of the Flora-Bama and local businesses. Music begins at 11 a.m. The 1 p.m. buffet is $3 per person or free for those bringing a side dish. The Flora-Bama is located directly on the Gulf of Mexico at the Florida-Alabama state line.

Final Tacky Jacks Winter Fun Day Feb. 19

Winter visitors looking for fun can find it on last time at Tacky Jacks in Gulf Shores (on the Intracoastal Watway). The Wacky Winter of Fun series ends February 19 from 10-11:30 am, with Art al Fresco String Art - A wood, nail and string project. All ages lunch & learn is $15 and includes lunch. RSVP online or by phone. Arrive 15 minutes early. For a monthly schedule of events, to rsvp or for more info, go to tackyjacks.com or call 251-948-8881.

Michigan "Yooper" Luncheon Feb. 15

The 35th Annual Michigan "Yooper" (Upper Peninsula) luncheon will be held Thursday, February 15th at Luna's at Cosmos's Courtyard, 25753 Canal Road, Orange Beach in the Magnolia Hall beginning at 11:30 a.m. There will be a buffet lunch with 3 meats, 3 sides, coffee, tea, and dessert. The cost is $15 including tax and gratuity. We can accept cash only as it has to be collected at the door by your U.P. crew. All Michigan U.P. folks (past and present) and friends of the U.P. are invited! No need to call, just come and enjoy! Any questions call or text: Gary Boushelle (989-387-0332) or e-mail gboushelle@charter.net

Foley Art Center Snowbird sessions

Snowbird art sessions at the Foley Art Center are scheduled every Wednesday beginning Feb. 7 for only $5 per class for instructor-led painting classes from 10-11:30 a.m. through March 21.

Each day we will tackle a new painting, and each day snowbird artists will learn new painting techniques and leave at the end of the session with a completed masterpiece! Paintings will be led by demonstration and cover acrylic and watercolor mediums. All supplies are provided! The Foley Art Center is located at 211 N McKenzie St. (Hwy. 59). Info: (251) 943-4381.

Sweet Harmony Chorus

By Pamula K Rustan

Sweet harmony is a group of woman snowbirds and local residence who like to sing women's acapella music in the barbershop close harmony style. We are still looking for more singers especially if you can attend beginning the first week of February. We are really looking for lower (alto or tenor range) women's voices but will welcome any singer who wishes to join us. We meet at the Gulf shores United Methodist Church Choir room, on Mondays form 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm with sectionals ½ hour before or after rehearsal. You do not need to read music as we have training CD's available.

The Sweet Harmony Chorus will be singing for the Haven Memory Care on Feb. 15th, at the Dakota club Breakfast on Feb. 20th, will be singing for the Balwin House Memory Care on Feb. 22, and the Wisconsin club on March 7th. We invite anyone who wishes to hear us to our concert at the Gulf Breeze RV Park on Saturday Feb. 24 at 7:00 pm.

Join us in singing or come to our performances we would love to greet you all.

Sacred Sounds Organ Concert Feb. 18

The annual Sacred Sounds organ concert will be held Sunday, February 18 at 6:30pm in the sanctuary of Gulf Shores United Methodist Church, 1900 Gulf Shores Parkway. Tickets at $5pp are available weekdays 9am to noon in Thee Coffee Shop at the GSUMC south plaza campus in the Winn Dixie Plaza. Reserved seating is available for concert season supporters. Performers
will include organists Mrs. Dahlman, Thomas Helms and Sandra Tyer, french horn player Susan Unger and vocalists Barbara Shepard and Cody Johnson. For more information feel free to contact the GSUMC office at 251-968-2411 or visit the church website at gulfshoresumc.org. All concert proceeds help support and broaden the GSUMC music program.

Snowbird softball every Wed.

By John McCabe

On each Monday and Wednesday at 9:30 AM at the Bodenhammer Center in Gulf Shores you are invited to join us to play slow pitch softball at the baseball/softball fields. On most Fridays we play against Pensacola's Seniors at alternating locations. On Monday and Wednesday we have batting practice and then a pickup game. There is a good blend of locals and snowbirds. The players abilities are not a consideration for play. The moderating weather permitted us to begin play. The included photo is from our first meeting this year. Should you have any questions please contact John McCabe at 251-981-9787.

Snowbird Men's Coffee Club

By Larry Cole

The Gulf Shores Men's Snowbird Coffee Club hold their meetings at Ginny Lane Bar and Grill, 4851 Wharf Pkwy. E., Orange Beach every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning from 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Membership information is available at these meetings. The oldest continually active snowbird club has more than 300 members from twenty-six states and three Canadian provinces. Besides raising money for local charities, the club holds golf outings, sponsors casino trips and conducts breakfast meetings for members and spouses. The club also throws horseshoes on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at noon at Meyer Park in Gulf Shores.

Stained Glass Bluegrass Feb. 23-24 at GSUMC

Music lovers with a passion for bluegrass gospel music will enjoy four favorite area bands at the 12th annual Stained Glass Bluegrass concerts at Gulf Shores United Methodist Church on Friday and Saturday February 23 and 24. Evening concerts both days will be at 7pm with a matinee Saturday at 2:30 in the church sanctuary, 1900 Gulf Shores Parkway. Tickets at $15pp are available Monday through Friday at Thee Coffee Shop in the Winn Dixie Plaza and also at the door prior to each concert. Reserved seating is available for GSUMC concert series supporters.

Bands include The McPherson Family from Daphne, Valley Road from Alexandria and new this year, The Jimmy D. Warren Band. Long-time local favorites, The Sandspur Band **(pictured),** will complete the program. All will perform at each concert. For more info, call 251-968-2411 or visist gulfshoresumc.org. All concert proceeds are used to support and broaden the music ministry of Gulf Shores United Methodist Church.

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Indiana

By Becky Chatham-Heidenreich

Only two more breakfasts for the IN Snowbird Club, Feb. 22 and March 8. The breakfasts are held at the Luna Event Center located next to Cosmos behind Buzcatz Coffee Shop on Canal Rd. The cost for the buffet breakfast is $10 per person (no bills over $20). The doors open at 7:30 and breakfast is served at 8:00. The annual dues are $2.50. We have a 50/50 drawing ($1 per ticket, or 6 tickets for $5.00, or $13 tickets for $10) and great door prizes. If you did not sign up at the Feb. 8th meeting, please call Jan Pell, 317-914-5832, for reservations.

The Brat Fest was great fun and successful. All proceeds will go to the three fire and rescue departments of the area. The Snowbird theatre production tickets plus dress rehearsal ticket were sold out on the second day of sales. Tryouts for next year's play will be held on Feb. 21 at 5:00PM and Feb.22 at 10:00AM.

Don't forget to wish the trivia participants on Feb. 17 good luck and all the tickets have been sold for the Low Country Boil on Feb. 23. Feb. 8 speaker Grant Brown of Recreation and Cultural Affairs shared the many improvements that will be a part of Gulf Shores that will be made in the next year. The Feb. 22 breakfast will feature Sandy Forsman from the historical Swift-Coles Home in Bon Secour. Please recycle paper, cans, etc behind the library in Orange Beach and recycle plus glass at Co. Rd 4.

Iowa

By Fran Gruenhaupt

The Iowa Snowbird Club will meet Wednesday, February 21 at 8:30 AM at the Perdido Beach Resort, 27200 East Perdido Beach Boulevard in Orange Beach for a breakfast meeting and program, $10.50 per person. The program will feature a representative from the Orange Beach Mayor's Office, Nicole Woerner, a well-informed local nature specialist. Reservations for the buffet breakfast can be made on the website: Iowa-Alabamagulfcoastsnowbirds.org (preferred), or by calling Shari DeCook, 641-521-0929 or Sharon Hesselmann, 563-357-2721. Door prizes will be awarded and a 50/50 drawing held. With co-presidents, Steve and Chris Hedlund presiding, the February 7 Iowa breakfast featured Orange Beach Mayor Tony Kennon and his daughter, Bailey Kennon, now Miss Leeds and current contestant for Miss Alabama. Bailey told about her program platform which teaches young women to understand how to be treated with respect in relationships. She concluded by singing her signature song.

With a record attendance of 282 persons for recent years meetings, 32 first-time attendees were recognized. Iowa volunteers and chairmen of this years Snowbird events were recognized and thanked. Donations from the proceeds of the events go to local libraries, fire stations, and area charities. The final Iowa Snowbird group Cocktail Party will be held on Friday, February 23 at the Caribe Resort, Building C, 28103 Perdido Beach Boulevard, Orange Beach. No RSVP is required. Bring a dish to share and your own beverage. Many door prizes will be awarded. Snowbirds may check the website, iowa-alabamagulfcoastsnowbirds .org for updates and a listing of other activities. Iowans will also meet March 7 for an informal breakfast at the Perdido Beach Resort. Reservations should be made on the website. All Iowans and their guests are welcome at club events. The Iowa golf group also welcomes anyone with sign-up through the website.

Minnesota

The Minnesota Snowbird Club meets each Tuesday for an informational breakfast, January through mid March at GT's On The Bay located on 26189 Canal Rd, Orange Beach. For directions: www.gtsonthebay.com. Reservations are not required. Doors open 7:30 am; breakfast 8:00 am. Cost: $10, includes tax and tip. Cash or check only. We cannot accept bills over $20. Food donations and/or cash are gratefully accepted at each meeting for the Christian Service Center, the dedicated project of the MN Club. For information regarding upcoming events, golf tee times, or a contact number log onto the Minnesota Club website: mnal.org or facebook.com/mnalclub

Illinois

By John James

132 Illinois Snowbirds and guests enjoyed breakfast at GT's On The Bay Friday, February 9th. The speaker was Patrolman Shawn Andrews from the Gulf Shores Police K9 Unit. He spoke about the procurement of the dogs, the training, the bonding process and certification. Then he brought K9 Taz into the restaurant. Taz is 8 years old and oves having his picture taken and was very well behaved while everyone oohed and aahed when he came near. We appreciate Shawn and Taz visiting with us.

At 9:30 AM on the 15th, at the Orange Beach Library, the Book Club will meet to discuss Big Stone Gap by Adriana Trigiani. Also on the 15th is the Snowbird Play "Nana's Naughty Knickers" at 7:30 PM. Trivia Night, at the Orange Beach Event Center, is on the 17th. Doors open at 6:00 PM. On the 23rd, at the Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo, is the Low Country Boil, to benefit the zoo. For information or tickets contact Doris Hulett at 309-846-8808. Our next breakfast is February 23rd at GT's On the Bay in Orange Beach; doors open at 7:45 AM. Call the Kolek's at 630-738-8717 for reservations prior to the 21st.

Missouri

By Nick Barr

The Missouri Club of Gulf Shores/Orange Beach is one of the smaller state snowbird clubs, with about 75-90 members. We gather on alternate Wednesdays for business meetings and for breakfast meetings. Our club is primarily social with very, very little in the way of fundraising and work assignments. It's a good way to make new friendships that will continue when you return north at the end of the snowbird season. Lifetime membership is $10/person. For more information, contact Nick Barr: stlouisnick@sbcglobal.net. We will meet for breakfast at the Perdido Beach Resort on Wednesdays, Feb 7 and 21 at 9 a.m. Regular meetings are Wednesdays Jan 31 and Feb 14 at Phoenix V, ground floor meeting room, also at 9AM. We have Golf Scrambles on Wednesdays after the meetings. If you want more information and a spot, contact Bob Miller: millerbobstl@att.net

Coming up we have Game night Jan 27, Fat Tuesday party Feb 13, and the Farewell pot luck dinner, all at Phoenix V. We also participate in the Bratfest on Feb 3, and the Pancake Breakfast Feb 10 along with the other area state clubs.Those events are held at the Erie Meyer center in downtown Gulf Shores.

While the Missouri Club is proud of the fact that we established and sponsored the annual Trivia Night at the Orange Beach Event Center for ten years, the event is now under the aegis of the Friends of the Orange Beach Library. The event has netted the Orange Beach and Gulf Shores Libraries much more than $50K through the years. Of course the Missouri Club does attend along with many other state snowbirds and local residents. It is a really fun night and this year it will be held on Feb 17 at 5:00 pm. You can get a table application at the library branches or you can download the form at mosnowbirds.org. You should not delay because the tables do fill up fast. It's a party so bring your friends, table decorations, costumes, snacks and drinks and have a great time. You'll be glad you did.

North & South Dakota

The Gulf Shores based North and South Dakota Snowbird Club meets on the following alternate Tuesday mornings in January, February and March beginning on January 9, January 23, February 6, February 20 and March 6. We gather at Luna's Eat & Drink, 25753 Canel Road, Orange Beach, at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast with a short meeting to follow at 9 a.m. We also hold several other social events throughout the winter season including pot lucks, dinner at local restaurants, etc. While in Gulf Shores we collect food and infant items at our breakfast meetings for the local food pantry and also contribute to other not for profit fundraisers in the local Baldwin County area. For more information contact Joyce at 605-351-0274.

Wisconsin

By Nancy Durgin

The WI Sno-bird Club meets in March at the Orange Beach Community Center (OBCC) at 8:30 am for coffee and donuts with the meetings beginning at 9 am. Everyone from WI is welcome to join us! We have a book/puzzle exchange, opportunities to volunteer, day and overnight trips, singles events. Cards will be played every Friday from 9 am to noon at the Hogfish Grille (formerly Lester's), 24821 Canal Road, Orange Beach (OB). Special rates for golf are available at GlenLakes Golf Club every weekday. We also collect the following: Campbell soup labels, Nestle water bottle labels, General Mills and Johnson & Johnson box-tops for education, manufacturer's coupons, empty printer ink cartridges and pop-top rings. For more information, RSVPs and breakfast confirmation contact Kenn at 251-967-2463 OR wissnobirds@yahoo.com

- Wednesday, March 7 - 8:30 am meeting at OBCC; Thursday, March 8 - Gulf Coast Zoo Fun Day - RSVP for lunch; Wednesday, March 14 - 8:30 am meeting at OBCC (Note that it is ONE week after 1st meeting!); Wednesday, March 21 - 8 am breakfast at The Diner; Wednesday, March 28 - 8 am breakfast at Duck's Diner; Sunday, April 1 - Easter Dinner at OBCC, gather at 12:30 pm, dinner at 2 pm; Wednesday, April 4 - 8 am breakfast at Tacky Jacks; Wednesday, April 11 - 8 am breakfast at Hot Rod Diner.

GSUMC Snowbird Coffee gathering

Every Tuesday from through February 27 there will be a free snowbird coffee gathering that is open to the public with an emphasis on snowbirds from all states. Thke group meets in Building B of the Gulf Shores United Methodist Church (1900 Gulf Shores Parkway) at 9 a.m. Refreshments are included with a sing along and a program featuring local talent: Sandspur Band, Sway Back Music, Gulf Shores State Park, Andrea & Chris Carstens Folk Duo, Lace & Sand, and Four Winds Barbershop to name a few. Door prizes are given as donated by local businesses. There is no coffee on February 13 (Fat Tuesday). This is a snowbird volunteer event and has been offering a meet and greet forum for visitors of 100 to 600 over the past several years. A goodwill donation is offered to fray expenses and proceeds are donated to the Gulf Shores United Methodist Church for their outreach and community service needs. For more info, call Mary Rebert, Tuesday Snowbird Coffee volunteer at 269-330-3748 or email maryrebert@yahoo. com.

Snowbird Singles

The Snowbird Singles is open to both men and women and will meet once a month. The luncheons are open to all Snowbirds in the Gulf Shores & Orange Beach area. The second is on March 12, at Cactus Cantina, on 25910 Canal Road, Orange Beach at 11:30 AM. Come and enjoy a meal and meet friends and new Snowbirds. For more information contact Barb at 414-801-0715 OR bionicbarbs@aol.com.

Feb. 17-18 Glenlakes Footgolf Tourney has Super Senior division

Gulf Coast Foot Golf Will host the Coast To Coast Classic at Glenlakes Golf Club in Foley on February 17-18, a tourney that will include a Super Senior Snowbird Division addition to senior, women's and pro divisions.

The 18 hole Super Senior Division will be held on Feb. 17 and include trophies and plaques for the top 3 finishers. The entry fee would be $15 per player.

"The entire tournament is a two day event. I will have players from all over the country coming to play," said Bryan Fulling, the Footgolf Pro for Glenlakes. "Last year we had 87 players from 13 states come participate. We hope for the same turnout this year.'

"I really hope some of our snowbirds can make it to play, and, if not play, come out and watch some of the best footgolfers in the country," he added.

For more tourney info, call 251-597-3226.

The GlenLakes 18-hole FootGolf course is on the 9-hole Lakes course and is accredited by the American FootGolf League. Cart rental is an additional $10, but FootGolfers say it's actually easier to walk the course because of the shorter distance between shots. The rules are similar to golf, with just a few differences. For example, if you land in a water hazard, just wait until the ball floats back to the bank, retrieve it, and reposition it within two steps from the point the ball entered the water. It takes about the same time to play 18 holes of FootGolf as it takes to play 9 holes of golf.

The number of footgolf courses in America has grown from 20 in to more than 500 in the past six years, including a second Baldwin County course at Lakewood in Point Clear. The USA team won the sport's first World Cup competition in Argentina last year.

Pictured: Glenlakes Footgolf Pro Bryan Fulling has been conpeting in professional tourneys for the past two years. "A majority of the pros are soccer players," he said. "Maybe they are getting a little older and can't run for the full 90 minutes. But this they can do. It's also a good sport for golfers, but it's not out of anybody's range."

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Wed. Snowbird Dinner Dances at Cove

The Cove Bar & Grill in Gulf Shores is hosting Snowbird dinner dances every Wednesday night from 6-9 p.m., with live music provided by Ron, Burt and Marvin. The Cove Bar and Grill is located at 131 Cove Ave. For more info, call 251-968-5353, 859-380-2281 or email rgnessler @twc.com.

Beach Club Craft Fair Feb. 24

The Beach Club snowbirds are having their annual Art and Craft Fair on Saturday February 24 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Island Room on the Beach Club complex. There will be a variety of crafts, pine needle baskets, art work, clay work, jewelry and much more The cost of a table(with cover) is $15. All table rental proceeds goes to the Ft. Morgan Volunteer Fire Dept. For more information call Marie 314-805-2370 or 251-540-0512. The Beach Club is located 11miles west of hwy 59 on Hwy180 (Ft. Morgan Rd.).

Retired Law Enforcement Lunch

The annual Snowbird Retired Law Enforcement luncheon will be held on Feb. 21 at noon at American Legion Post 44, 6781 State Hwy. 59, Gulf Shores, AL. All retired and former law enforcement officers and their spouses are invited. Jim MacMeekin, a retired Michigan Prison Administrator, will speak about Michigan Prisons. Please contact Tom Westgate at 269.252.7029 so we can give the Legion a count. You may order off the menu-lunch on your own.

Plantation Resort Curch

The Plantation Resort church service every Sunday morning at 9am. Bldg.#4 Conference Room. Running now through Easter Sunday, non denominational, everyone welcome! For more information call Kent Gerber, Chaplain, at 336-529-2372.

Snowbird Cribbage every Friday

Snowbirds are gathering to play Cribbage every Friday. Sign up starts at 12:30 pm and play begins at 1 pm at the Gulf Shores American Legion, Post 44, 6781 Hwy. 59. For additional information, contact Barbara Beamish at 989-464-8605. The last day of play is March 9. All Cribbage players are welcome to play.

Lighthouse Craft Shows Feb. 20

The lighthouse craft show will take place on Feb 20 this winter. 455 E. Beach Road, Gulf Shores. 9-11:30 am. Please use center elevator to second floor. Many handmade crafts. Scarves, jewelry, shell art, and cards and many more.

Chuck Seely & Karen Weppa crowned at O.B. Senior Center Mardi Gras Dance

Chuck Seely & Karen Weppa were crowned king and queen at The Jan. 31 Orange Beach Senior Center Mardi Gras Dance at the Orange Beach Event Center. “Lots of great fun & dancing,” said Carolyn Vines, Senior Programs Coordinator for the City of Orange Beach.

There are nearly forty restaurants, bars, delis and cafes in downtown Mobile, and we've also compiled a suggested list of activities you can do in two, four and six hours in Mobile:

TWO HOURS

Maritime: About 230 steps from the Alabama Cruise Terminal (yes, we counted!) is the one-of-a-kind GulfQuest National Maritime Museum. GulfQuest is the first and only museum dedicated to the Gulf Coast's rich maritime traditions from its discovery in the 1500s to the present day and one of the only interactive maritime museums in the country. So before you head out into the Gulf, learn all about the Gulf. It'll make your cruise that much more interesting, believe us!

Port & Fort: The downtown waterfront of Mobile, Alabama is full of rich history, culture and economic importance to the region. This bustling port welcomes ships from all over the world along with tug boats and barges that roam the many rivers of North America. See them all up close from a USCG Certified passenger vessel with Wild Native Tours. The city skyline, maritime museum, Austal shipyards, cruise terminal and cruise ship are also seen on this tour. Courteous and knowledgeable guides will educate and entertain as you cruise these local waters. After your port tour, be sure to visit the Fort of Colonial Mobile, an immersive, interactive exhibit about the people who colonized early Mobile.

FOUR HOURS

History Lovers: Take an historic city tour, starting at the Visit Mobile Welcome Center, by car, van, trolley or duck boat. These usually last an hour to an hour and a half, which leaves plenty of time to explore historic downtown Mobile on foot, including the History Museum of Mobile and the Mobile Carnival Museum or hop across the Mobile River to board an authentic World War II battleship, the USS ALABAMA.

Shopaholics: Several new locally owned clothing boutiques, gift shops, vintage and antique stores and art galleries (some will ship your purchases home!) are located within blocks of each other downtown. We know you'll be grabbing some souvenirs in the Caribbean, but hey, taking a little bit of Mobile home with you is pretty awesome, too.

Family Fun: The Gulf Coast Exploreum offers rotating exhibits and permanent activities designed to bring the scientist out in all of us. You'll notice an Oyster statue out in front of the Exploreum, which is a great starting point to walk The Oyster Trail throughout downtown Mobile (how many can you visit?). Mobile's newest addition to outdoor family fun is ArtGo, a self-guided free walking trail and outdoor art gallery that leads visitors to 33 public art pieces/installations. Pick up your map at the Mobile Arts Council at 318 Dauphin Street.

SIX HOURS

Outdoors: With a little more time on your hands, you can explore a little more of what the entire area has to offer. The crown jewel of Mobile, Bellingrath Gardens and Home is about 45 minutes west of the Alabama Cruise Terminal - plan to wander amongst the blooms for a few hours. Or, head east, just a few minutes of downtown and take an airboat ride, sightseeing cruise or guided kayak/canoe tours of the Mobile/Tensaw Delta (the views are a little different from the deck of the cruise ship but fascinating just the same!)

History and Culture Lovers: There are several historic homes in or near downtown, each offering guided tours. Pick up a Historic Homes brochure and plan to visit all five during your time here in Mobile. Hit the Mobile Museum Trail, visiting some of the previously mentioned downtown museums but also plan to stop by the largest art museum on the Gulf Coast, the Mobile Museum of Art, the Mobile Medical Museum, and the Archaeology Museum at the University of South Alabama.

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State Colors Golf Tourney Feb. 24

Wear your school or state colors and show your loyalty during the 4-person scramble at GlenLakes Golf Club in Foley on Saturday, Feb. 24. Missouri, Alabama and Michigan have won contests with the most school colors in previous years. The tournament begins with a shotgun start at 11 a.m. Cost is $45 per player, and includes golf, prizes and food following play. Call 251-955-1220 to sign up your 4-player team in Men, Ladies, or combo divisions. Open to the public. Snowbirds are welcomed. Tournament is limited to 108 players.

P.E.O. Chapter to Present Four-A-Change Feb. 22

On Thursday, February 22, Chapter AG of P.E.O. will present a fundraising event "A Little Afternoon Music" featuring the vocal talents of **(pictured)** Four- A - Change. The quartet is made up of long standing members of the Coastal Chorale: Katrina Anderson, Tracey Best, Jonathan Wallace and Jennifer Watkins. Known for their unique stylings and varied types of musical numbers, they have become popular entertainers with both snowbirds and locals. The program will be given at the First Presbyterian Church in Foley at 2 p.m. Tickets for the event are $15 and will be available through the P.E.O. members and at Jubilee Apparel and Gifts in Pelican Place, Gulf Shores. The afternoon will consist of music and an intermission for treats and coffee or tea.

P.E.O. is a philanthropic educational organization that offers scholarships, grants, and loans to women seeking higher education. All proceeds from "A Little Afternoon Music" will benefit these endeavors. For further information, contact Marianne Hawkins at 967-3212 or Karen Brown at 233-3550.

St. Thomas By The Sea Friday fish-frys continue

The Knights of Columbus of St Thomas by the Sea will start their annual fish fry on Friday, January 5, and it will run through March 9, 2018. The fish fry will be from 4PM to 6PM each Friday at the Parish Center in the rear of the church. Proceeds from the fish fry are used by the Knights to help support various charities in the local area during Christmas. Plates are $10/person. In addition to the dinner, there will be a 50/50 drawing each week. St Thomas is located at 26547 Perdido Beach Blvd in Orange Beach. See you there.

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O.B. Library Thurs. presentations

The Orange Beach Public Library will be hosting a series of presentations every Thursday. All programs will take place at the Senior Center, next to the library, and will start at 6 p.m. lasting for approximately one hour. Info: dmcdowell@cityoforangebeach.com or 251-981-2923.

Schedule

February 15 - Pensacola Naval Aviation Presentation.

February 22 - Mobile Art Museum by Glenn Bingham.

Ft. Morgan Civil War Tours every Tuesday in Jan. & Feb.

Qualified historians will provide historical insights on various periods of Fort Morgan's History as part of a tour scheduled every Tuesday afternoon from 2-3 p.m. at the fort, located at the west end of Ft. Morgan Rd. in Gulf Shores. Tour dates are Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, and Feb. 6, 13, 20 and 27. The tour is weather permitting.

Tour topics include Fort Bowyer, Early Civil War, Battle of Mobile Bay, Siege of Fort Morgan and Overview of the Civil War at Mobile Point. Reservations are not required for these tours, and weather conditions may cause the event to be cancelled. Admission to the fort is $7 for adults, $5 for seniors and students and $4 for children 6 to 12. For more info, visit fort-morgan.org or call 251-251-540-5257 or 251-540-7127.

Preceded by another fort, Fort Bowyer during the War of 1812, Fort Morgan is a Third System masonry fort built between 1819 and 1833. Standing guard where the bay meets the Gulf of Mexico, the fort played a significant role in the Battle of Mobile Bay in August 1864. Used intermittently through the Spanish American War, World War I and World War II, the site showcases the evolution of seacoast fortifications and adaptations made by the U.S. Army for the defense of the country.

The fort is most famous for its role in the Civil War Battle of Mobile Bay. Union Admiral David Farragut damned the torpedoes and went full speed ahead.

Wisconsin Synod Lutherans will be meeting at St. Jude's

Gulf Shores area WELS / ELS Members Wisconsin Synod Lutherans will have local church services with Holy Communion conducted as follows: January 7 & 21, February 4 at 4 p.m. with Bible class to follow at St Jude by the Sea Lutheran Church, located at 312 E 16th Ave. in Gulf Shores. Make checks payable to: Risen Savior Luth. Church. For more info, contact Evan Dobberfuhl at 715-573-0808 or tpcevan@gmail.com.

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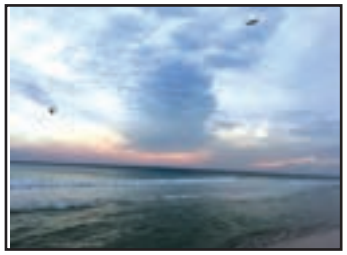
Pictures of the Week

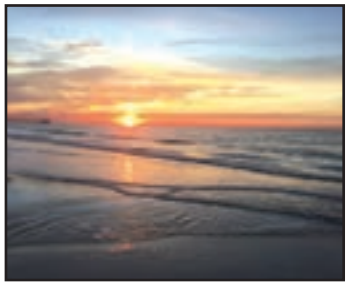
"Smile! You're at the Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo," writes snowbird Valerie Hargreaves.

"Thought you might enjoy the sunset as much as I did," writes Jennifer Appelt of Nashville and Ft. Morgan.

Linda Porch of Toluca, IL said she loves Orange Beach, especially the dunes.

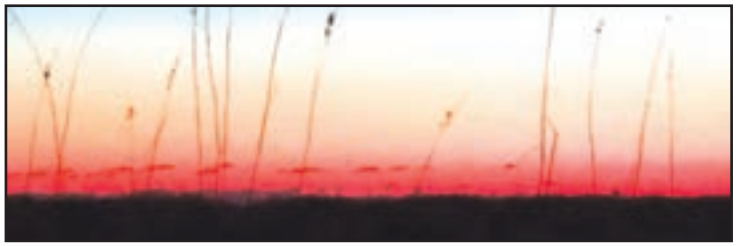


"So Beautiful. God is good," writes Marie Wisor. "I might not be here next year. So I'm trying to get as many good shots to take with me."



Picture of Hector The Heron courtesy of Gary Cherpes.

From Sue Keeling: "I said 'catch anything?'" He says, "Don't matter!"



"Beautiful sunset from Perdido Key," writes Ken Copeland.

Gary Cherpes says this Orange Beach sunrise is "one of the best yet."

Debbie Rethemeyer took this picture at the end of the road near Ft. Morgan.

"A rainbow on the beach in Gulf Shores beats the snow fall in Minnesota," writes Michelle Parker.

"A few sunrise pictures from Saturday morning," courtesy of Bill Doering from Rock Falls, IL.

Email your shots to mulletwrapper@gulftel.com

Pictures of the Week

Linda Glass shares one of her still life photos.

"My kitty, Abby, was fixated on something in our yard & looking up," writes Cathy Deal of Innerrity Point. Turns out it was this great blue heron.

Sherry Byrd shares a sunset over Little Lagoon.

David Schmidlin shares a Pleasure Isle sunrise.

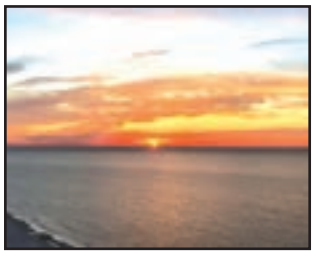
From Judy Crooker of Michigan.

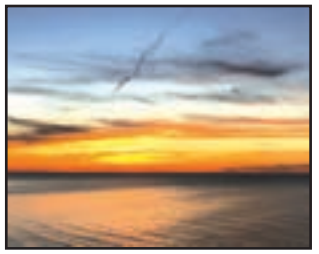
Sheila Wink shares "Orange Beach at its best."

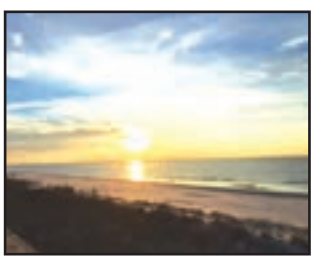
"Sunset complete with a new moon," writes Ani Lenart.

"Surf reflections" from Dave Mickelson.

I love our time in Gulf Shores and go wild taking pictures of sunrises and sunsets. Sorry I am sending so many, but I couldn't decide," writes Margarita Lannon.







Carolyn Harlan: Sunset on West Beach; Sunset at Mo's Landing Park; Crab on Driftwood.

Funny Bones

By George Ridder

"Doctor, doctor! The man you've just pronounced is in perfect health collapsed on the front step! What should I do?"

Doctor's Lawyer: "Turn him around, so it looks like he was just arriving!"

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A woman reported the disappearance of her husband to the police.

The officer looked at the guy's photograph, questioned her, and then asked if she wanted to give her husband any message if they found him.

"Yes," she replied. "Please tell him Mother didn't come after all."

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- Never read the fine print. There ain't no way you're going to like it.
- If you let a smile be your umbrella, then most likely your butt will get soaking wet.
- Do you realize that in about 40 years, we'll have thousands of old ladies running around with still hot tattoos?
- Drinking makes some wives' see double and feel single.
- Living in a nudist colony takes all the fun out of Halloween.
- Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.
- A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it.
- Atheism is a non-prophet organization.
- Two hats were hanging on a hat rack in the hallway. One hat said to the other, "You stay here, I'll go on a head."
- I wondered why the baseball kept getting bigger. Then, it hit me.
- A small boy swallowed some coins and was taken to a hospital. When his grandmother telephoned to ask how he was, a nurse said, "No change yet."
- A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.
- The short fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.
- The soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.
- A backward poet writes inverse.
- In democracy, it's your vote that counts. In feudalism, it's your count that votes.
- When cannibals ate a missionary, they got a taste of religion.
- Don't join dangerous cults: Practice safe sects.

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Always borrow money from a pessimist. They never expect it back!

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An elderly couple had dinner at another couple's house, and after eating, the wives left the table and went into the kitchen. The two gentlemen were talking, and one said, "Last night we went out to a new restaurant and it was really great I would recommend it very highly.

The other man said, "What is the name of the restaurant?"

The first man thought and thought and finally said, "What is the name of that flower you give to someone you love? You know... the one that's red and has thorns."

"Do you mean a rose?"

"Yes, that's the one," replied the man. He then turned towards the kitchen and yelled, "Rose, what's the name of that restaurant we went to last night?"

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Mom: Son, you're good in math. Now I'm going to ask you a question.

Son: Okay, mom.

Mom: Your dad gives you 3 apples. Then I give you 4 apples. What's your answer?

Son: Thank you very much?!?!?

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Sitting in the bar George asks his 40-year-old friend John, "How come you aren't married?"

John replies, "I haven't found the right woman yet."

"So what are you looking for?"

"Oh, she's got to be real pretty, a good cook, and house keeper. She's got to know how to handle money, have a nice and pleasant personality, and money. She's got to have money. And a nice big house wouldn't hurt either."

"A woman like that would be crazy to marry YOU!" says George.

"Oh, it's okay, if she is crazy."

Doctor: "I see you're over a month late for your appointment. Don't you know that nervous disorders require prompt and regular attention? What's your excuse?"

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Patient: "I was just following your orders, Doc."

Doctor: "Following my orders? What are you talking about? I gave you no such order."

Patient: "You told me to avoid people who irritate me."

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"Hello! Is this Gordon's Pizza?

"No sir, it's Google's Pizza."

"Did I dial the wrong number?"

"No sir, Google bought the pizza store."

"Oh, alright then. I'd like to place an order please."

"Okay sir, do you want the usual?"

"The usual? You know what my usual is?"

"According to the caller ID, the last 15 times you've ordered a 12-slice with double-cheese, sausage, and thick crust."

"Okay, that's what I want this time too."

"May I suggest that this time you order an 8-slice with ricotta, arugula, and tomato instead?"

"No, I hate vegetables."

"But your cholesterol is not good."

"How do you know?"

"Through the subscribers guide. We have the results of your blood tests for the last 7 years."

"You know what, I'm sick of Google, Facebook, Twitter, and everyone else having all my information! I'm going to an island without internet, where there's no cellphone line, and no one to spy on me!"

"I understand sir. But you may want to renew your passport. It expired 5 weeks ago."

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• Love is one long sweet dream, and marriage is the alarm clock.
• They say when a man holds a woman's hand before marriage, it is love; after marriage, it is self-defense.
• When a newly married man looks happy, we know why. But when a ten-year married man looks happy, we wonder why.

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