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Around Town

Barbells For Boobs Oct. 21 at Foley's CrossFit Strong Heart

CrossFit Strong Heart, located at 1340 S Commercial Dr. in Foley, will hold its 2nd Annual Barbells for Boobs fundraiser on October 21 from 9-1 p.m. to raise funds to promote early breast cancer detection. . The event is open to the public, and all proceeds from food, drinks, shirts and the silent auction (in addition to the donations) will go to the Barbells for Boobs, a 501c3 organization.

" Last year, our gym was third in the state for most money raised. This year, we hope to be number one," said Christy Bledsoe, event manager. ". "The event will include prizes, games, WOD (workout of the day), food, drinks and auctions. There is no cost for the WOD, but donations are welcome.

For more info or to make a donation to the charity, visit #barbellsforboobs, #crossfitstrongheart or call 850-390-2828.

Pictured: Participants in the 2016 Barbells For Boobs.

Gulf Shores Sensory Garden topic of Oct. 4 garden club meeting

Mark Acreman and Harlan Harrison from The City of Gulf Shores will be the guest speakers at the Gulf Shores Garden Club's Oct. 4 meeting at the Harry Roberts Community Center, located at 300 East 16th Ave. in Gulf Shores. They will talk to the club about the planned Gulf Shores Sensory Garden that will be built on city owned property across from the Bodenhamer Center.

Social time begins at 9:15 a.m. The program is presented at 9:45 a.m., with a business meeting following the program. Guests and new members are always welcome. For more club information, call 251-968-568 or visit gsgardenclub.com or facebook.

The Gulf Shores Garden Club provides members with opportunities to gain new ideas in gardening, floral design and landscaping. Having fun, making new friends and participating in local civic projects are part of what makes members of the Gulf Shores Garden Club part of a special group.

Baldwin Pops plays free concert Oct. 15 behind O.B. Senior Center

The City of Orange Beach will host a free concert featuring the Baldwin Pops Concert Band. on Sunday, October 15 from 4:30 – 6 p.m. on the lawn behind the Orange Beach Senior Center, located at 26251 Canal Road, less than ¼ mile east of Hwy. 161. This will be the Pops ninth year to hold a concert in Orange Beach.

Both the O.B. Senior Center & adjacent O.B. Library will be open, making for easy access for those using wheelchairs or walkers. Plenty of restroom facilities are available. The senior center & library are located directly on Wolf Bay and offer a commanding waterfront view. Plus, you can expect a beautiful sunset this time of year. Plenty of parking is available.

Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets, picnics and beverages. Many family, church, club and community groups use this concert opportunity to gather for some fun social time. A Checkered Tablecloth Award will be presented to the group judged to have the most interesting picnic setup. There will also be a kids parade through the crowd following the intermission.

This free event is brought to you by the City of Orange Beach and Gulf Shores & Orange Beach Tourism. For more info, contact the Orange Beach Parks & Recreation Department at 251-981-3440 or visit cityoforangebeach.com.

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30th Lost Bay Regatta Oct. 7 in Josephine

The Point Yacht Club will host its 30th Annual Lost Bay Regatta on Oct. 7. The course on Perdido Bay – north of Innerarity Point – will be set on the day of the race. Advance electronic registration is available at regattanetwork.com. Onsite registration will be held on Friday, October 6 from 3-7 p.m. and on race day at 8 a.m. at The Point Yacht Club clubhouse, located 6606 Co Rd 95 (adjacent to Pirates Cove) in Josephine. Divisions include Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker. Classes will be determined based upon the number of entries.

"This race is always a good time. We think it's the best on the Gulf Coast," said club commmodore John Horner. "We are hoping sailors from all over will come participate."

The Paul Schreck Perpetual Trophy and the Paul Mueller Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to first in fleet for Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker, respectively. The awards ceremony and regatta party will be held at the Point Yacht Club following the race, with live music by Al and Kathy. For more info, contact fleet captain Brett Holk at 251-752-4655, brettholk@yahoo.com or visit pointyachtclub.org.

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Around Town

2nd Annual Luna's Eat & Drink Oktoberfest Oct. 1

Event includes firkin tapping from Gulf Shores' Big Beach Brewery

Local restaurant Luna's Eat & Drink, located on Canal Road in Orange Beach, will host their 2nd Annual Oktoberfest on Sunday, October 1 from 2 to 6 p.m. The event will feature German inspired food as well as beer, polka music, stein hoisting and games. Tickets are on sale now at Luna's Eat & Drink as well as on their website; tickets can also be purchased at Cosmo's Restaurant & Bar, Cobalt, GTs On The Bay and Maggie's Bottle n' Tail.

In addition to a firkin tapping from Gulf Shores' Big Beach Brewery, the event will include brews from Sierra Nevada, Sam Adams, Goose Island, Blue Pants and Yellowhammer.

"We are excited to once again host this event," stated Jodi Harsany. "We are also happy to donate a portion of the proceeds to the Orange Beach Animal Care & Control Program. Their Trap, Neuter and Return Project for Stray and Feral Cats in Orange Beach is a vital new initiative for our area and we are happy to help."

Pictured: Luna's Eat & Drink owners Brian & Jodi Harsany.

Businesses & charities invited to be part of LuLu's Trunk or Treat

LuLu's is seeking area non-profits, charities, and local businesses who would like to participate in Trunk or Treat at LuLu's Annual BooLu's Halloween festivities on October 28. As a part of the kids' trick-or-treating activities, participants can set up a display in the trunk of their car to spread the word about their organization and hand out candy to the trunk or treating kids on the grounds of the restaurant from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Participants provide their own candy and all Trunk or Treat participants will receive a $25 LuLu's gift card per trunk, with the winner of the best decorated trunk receiving a $150 LuLu's gift card.

Inside LuLu's, the spooky fun will have free pumpkin decorating, face painting, kid's crafts, arcade contest, fortune teller, kid's costume contest, and more. Kids can partake in a Spooktacular costume contest in age categories for boys and ghouls with prizes for the winners to register to be a Trunk or Treat participating organization, contact Nick Lacanski at 251-967-5858 or nick@lulubuffett.com.

Autism Center hosts Sept. 30 Paws For Cause in Daphne

American Autism & Rehabilitation Center (AARC) will host the inaugural Paws For a Cause Dog Walk on September 30 from 8 - 11 a.m. at Daphne Utilities, located at 8301 Well Rd.

This event will raise much-needed funds for the center's special-needs patients and will feature the walk, a dog show, food trucks, music and more! Bring the family, have some fun and support a worthy cause!

If you have a dog to bring, great! If not, come walk. The walk will take place near the American Autism & Rehabilitation Center and will be 1-2 miles.

Come participate in and watch a fun dog show! Categories will include: Best dressed/best costume, Dog most like it's owner, Best young dog (6mo-5yrs), Best veteran (5 years+), Prettiest girl dog, Most handsome boy dog, Best in show, Best waggy tail
Large breed, Small breed, Best trick, Appealing eyes.

To enter your dog, the entry fees are $5 per category entered or $20 for unlimited categories. Drinks, food trucks and music will be available. For sponsorship or other info, email info@ americanautismcenter.com or call 251-210-1632.

Little Shop of Horrors presented by SBCT Oct. 12-14 & Oct. 20-22

South Baldwin Community Theatre in Gulf Shores will present Little Shop of Horrors Oct. 12-14 and Oct. 20-22, with evening performances set for 7:30 p.m. and Sunday matinees scheduled at 2 p.m.

Directed by Chase Morrisette, with Meg Reed serving as assistant director, the play follows meek floral assistant Seymour Krelborn as he stumbles across a new breed of plant he names "Audrey II" - after his coworker crush. This foul-mouthed, R&B-singing carnivore promises unending fame and
fortune to the down and out Krelborn as long as he keeps feeding it blood.

Over time, Seymour discovers Audrey II's out of this world origins and intent towards global domination.

Tickets are $19.95 for adults and $15 for students and available at the SBCT box office or online at sbct.org beginning at 10 a.m. on Oct. 2.

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Around Town

The Refreshing @ Orange Beach comes to Island Church Oct. 5-8

By Lisa Crouse

The Tower of Prayer Leeds announces the partnership with Pastor Fred Franks and The Island Church to host The Refreshing @ Orange Beach October 5-8. This year is the fifth year the conference has been held in Orange Beach and the second year partnering with the Island Church. The refreshing is strategically designed as an escape for leaders to be rejuvenated, revived and resuscitated for effective ministry. The Refreshing is more so of an experience than it is a conference.

The Refreshing will entail 2 worship services (Thursday night, October 5 and Friday morning, October 6) along with breakout sessions that will be informative, engaging and empowering for attendees. Worship Service starts at 7:30pm on Thursday night and Lecture sessions begin at 12:00pm Friday. Join us for an innovative, informative, and impactful experience.

We expect the experience to impact not only the leaders attending, but their congregations, cities, and regions. For more information or to register, call 251.967.4840.

Pictured: Frd & Liz Franks, preaching & vision pastor.

Honeybee Festival, 5K & Fun Run scheduled Oct. 7 in Robertsdale

Applications are now being accepted for the October 7 Honey Bee Festival & 5K Run 5K Run/Walk & 1 Mile Run/Walk scheduled at 8 a.m. at Honey Bee Park in Robertsdale. The Honeybee Festival will take place at the same location from 8 a.m. 'til 3 p.m. Entry forms available on-line at cbef.org. For more information call 947-2626. This event is hosted by the Central Baldwin Education Foundation, whick works to enhance, enrich, and support the educational experience of all public school students in the Central Baldwin area by providing support and the resources to help supplement educational programs and activities.

Women's Business Alliance Forum Oct. 22-23 at O.B. Event Center

The Women's Business Alliance will hold its 2nd annual WBA Women's Forum October 22-23 at the Orange Beach Event Center. This annual business Forum features a Sunday evening networking reception, speaker and vendor exhibitions on Monday, and award presentations with breakfast and lunch provided. The Sunday night networking reception will be held at LuLu's in Gulf Shores and the Forum on Monday will be held at the Orange Beach Event Center at the Wharf.

Monday's festivities will include dynamic speakers, vendor exhibitions, award presentations, with breakfast & lunch provided. Participant ticket prices are $149 early bird and $169 general. Visit womensbusinessalliance.org for more info.

Ducks Unlimited Banquet Sept. 29 at O.B. Com. Center

The Alabama Gulf Coast chapter of Ducks Unlimited Annual Banquet will be held from 6-10 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 29 at the Orange Beach Community Center at 27235 Canal Rd.. Tickets are $45 per person, $65 per couple and $25 for children 13 and under. Sponsorship packages are also available.

The event will consist of "a night of raffles, auctions, good food and fellowship for a good cause." For more information, contact Hayden Brown at 251-923-7533 or Walker Stewart at 662-207-4512.

Gulf Shores Woman's Club Fashion Show Oct. 5 at Craft Farms

The Gulf Shores Woman's Club will host its 15th annual fashion show Thursday, October 5, at Craft Farms. This year's show will feature the theme of "Happy Fall...Y'all" with fashions from the Beach House Boutique, Chico's, Jubilee Apparel & Gifts, Wildflowers and Soma. Doors will open at 10 am for a silent auction with lunch and the fashion show starting at 11:30 AM. Proceeds from the event will benefit local charities. For tickets and additional information, interested individuals may call 251-233-2440. **Pictured:** Models from the highly successful 2016 fundraising fashion show.

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Around Town

Fisher's hosts Oct. 1 Saints' brunch w. ESPY winner JJ Robertson

Proceeds go to remarkable child's It Takes Lives to Save Lives charity

Fisher's Restaurant in Orange Beach will host a New Orleans Saint Brunch featuring Jarrius "JJ" Robertson, on Sunday, Oct 1. The Saints and Miami Dolphins kick off in London at 8:30 a.m. Fisher's is located on Marina Rd. at Orange Beach Marina.

Robertson recently won The Jimmy V Perseverance Award at the ESPYs, and the brunch will benefit his charity, It Takes Lives to Save Lives (ittakeslivestosavelives.com), a charity established by Robertson's family to help other children suffering from biliary atresia, a life-threatening disease of the liver and bile ducts.

JJ will also speak at a Gulf Shores High School pep rally on Sept. 29 and host a meet-n-greet at halftime of the Gulf Shores High football game vs. Faith Academy later that evening at Mickey Blackwell Stadium. JJ will be the honorary captain for the game.

A remarkable blend of medical challenges and magnetic charm, JJ is usually dressed in black and gold. That's what happens when you're a small boy with a big personality, you're in need of an organ donor to save your life, and the New Orleans Saints have basically adopted you and transformed you into a media star.

Several weeks into his life, JJ was diagnosed with biliary atresia, a life-threatening disease of the liver and bile ducts.

There were many ups and downs, including multiple surgeries, during the initial stages of his life. Then things got really bad. JJ's parents, Jordy Robertson and Patricia Hoyal, could only watch and pray as he was listed for a life-saving transplant and eventually got a new liver soon after his first birthday.

There were more complications. JJ caught pneumonia. His lungs collapsed. He was placed on a respirator. And his breathing issues were only part of his struggles. Doctors at Children's Hospital of New Orleans eventually had to induce a coma – and JJ remained unconscious for close to a year.

"Five, six times we were told he wasn't going to make it," JJ's mom recalled last week. "Then they told us for the seventh time. He was still on the respirator."

"We didn't want to see him suffer no more," JJ's dad said. "So we finally signed the papers to let him go … papers to remove the respirator and let him go."

The respirator was taken away. But JJ was not ready to stop fighting. He started to breathe on his own. Doctors couldn't really offer much of an explanation.

"It was a miracle – nothing but God," said his mom.

Work begins on phase 2 of Gulf Place Revitalization Project

Open green space, new restrooms, improved pedestrian access by April

The City of Gulf Shores has begun construction on Phase 2 of its $15 million Gulf Place Revitalization Project, with completion slated for next April..

The second phase will encompass the public beach areas between West 1st Street and East 1st Street and will be finished in April of 2018.

Phase 3 of the project will center around a public beach & parking area on city owned property on the east side of the Phoenix Suites, 8 ft. wide sidewalks and five landscaped medians along the public beach areas of Perdido Beach Blvd. and improved bicycle paths from Gulf State Park to West 6th St.

"Our public beach is one of the most important resources we have in our community," said Mayor Robert Craft. "This project will connect our entire half-mile of public beachfront through safe pedestrian- and bike-friendly routes and will provide significantly enhanced opportunities for our residents and visitors to enjoy this area year-round."

Improvements included within Phase 2 include:

- 20 foot wide beach boardwalk
- Large open green space
- Children's playground
- Seating and shade structures
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- Improved traffic flow and drop-off locations
- New public restroom facilities
- Environmentally-friendly lighting
- Attractive hardscaping and landscaping

The Phase 2 construction planning process has included extensive coordination with the National Shrimp Festival and Oyster Cook-off scheduled this fall and next May's Hangout Fest and NCAA Beach Volleyball Championships. Periodic closures of public beach areas within the construction zone will occur as the project is completed. But the public can utilize the recently completed West Gulf Place beach access at West 2nd St., part of the revitalization project's phase 1.

Annual events held at the public beach attract over 350,000 visitors and generate an estimated regional economic impact exceeding $100 million.

"We are really trying to work towards getting grants in the future to transform that whole district to make it more pedestrian friendly. We want to enhance that area and that will help enhance economic development," said Dan Bond, project coordinator for the City.

When complete, the project will include a town green, an interactive fountain, a children's discovery playground, dune overlooks, a stage pad, shade canopies, an outdoor fitness area and enhanced dunes, in addition to the new beachside boardwalk, walking paths, new restrooms and attractive landscaping.

The Gulf Place Revitalization Project is a linchpin objective of the Small Town, Big Beach Vision 2025 for Sustainability that the city released in 2015 and the result of years of master planning and public input.

The project's emphasis will be on sustainable, low impact designs to provide a more welcoming, accessible, pedestrian and bike-friendly environment for residents and visitors.

"The project is moving along really well," Bond said. "We're doing a lot of demolition and site work right now. But we're really excited. It's going to be a big improvement. I can't wait to see it."

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Around Town

GCAA Art Market Oct. 7 in Waterway Village

Mark your calendars for the October 7 Art Market, an event of the Gulf Coast Arts Alliance. The Art Market, 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 225 E 24th Avenue in the Waterway Village of Gulf Shores, will feature dozens of local and regional artists who will be displaying their original works of art. Great music and food along with activities for children will top the day.

Marlene Johnt **(pictured)**, a Gulf Shores resident, will feature her oil and acrylic paintings as well as her one-of-a-kind jewelry. Johnt received an Art Education degree from the University of Alabama and a Masters in the same from the University of Southern Mississippi.

After retiring teaching, Marlene continued working in oils and acrylics, exploring realism to non-objective painting. Her paintings represent a life spent exploring the many expressions of our Southern lifestyle. She also started collecting shells and fragments and began her jewelry line "Maggie Marlene" which can be found in the GCAA Gift Shop.

For additional information about the GCAA Art Market, visit www.gulfcoastartsalliance.com, email gulfcoastartsalliance@gmail.com or call 251-948-2627. The Gulf Coast Arts Alliance is a non-profit organization with office and Art Gallery at 225 E 24th Avenue in the Waterway Village district of Gulf Shores.

Miramas accepting reservations for Annual Taste of The Island

The Mystical Order of Mirams is kicking off ticket reservations for the 11th Annual Taste of the Island. Tickets are $60 each or $600 for a table of 10. If you would like to reserve a table or reserve individual tickets, please contact Marie Dunlap at miramstreas2017@gmail.com. The Taste of the Island is an all-inclusive extravaganza to be held at the Orange Beach Event Center at the Wharf on Friday, December 1. There will be over 30 local restaurants presenting samples of their cuisine, cocktails, live music, and a silent auction. This is the perfect venue for your office Christmas Party. The Mirams take care of all the details and you get to have all the fun.

Knights of Columbus host $1 Million Shootout Oct. 6

The 4th Annual Knights of Columbus Million Dollar Shootout Golf Tournament & Helicopter Golf Ball Drop will be held on Friday, Oct. 6 at Craft Farms Golf Club in Gulf Shores. Registration is at 11 a.m., with lunch at 11:30 a.m. and tee-off at 1 p.m. The $125 entry fee per golfer for the 4-person scramble includes lunch after golf and a chance to win the $1 million hole in one prize and a 2nd hole in one prize of a trip for two to Hawaii.

The winning team will earn a 3 day/2 night golf trip to the World Golf Village in St. Augustine. The package includes lodging, one round of golf at each of the two golf courses and tickets to the Golf Hall of Fame.

Helicopter ball drop tickets are $10 each. Each ticket number will correspond with a golf ball number. The owner of the ticket matching the ball that is closest to the pin will win $1,000. Second place is worth $500. All proceeds will benefit St. Benedict and St. Patrick Catholic Schools. For more info or to register, call 205-999-5802 or email tonycrawford7777@gmail.com.

Whitehaven Insurance selling BBQ lunches for AHA Oct. 19

Whitehaven Insurance in Gulf Shores will be selling BBQ sack lunches to benefit the American Heart Assn. on Oct. 19. The lunches cost $7.50 and the sack will include a BBQ pork sandwich, beans, chips and a cookie. RVSP your order to info@whitehaveninsurance.com or 251/967-3323 by Oct 6. For any orders over 5, the company will deliver. Donations to the cause can be made directly to 2.heart.org/goto/whitehaveninsurance.

Blessing of the Animals at the Gulf Shores Dog Park Saturday Sept. 30

The public and all pets are invited to a Blessing of the Animals Service at the Gulf Shores Dog Park located at 308 Clubhouse Drive in Gulf Shores. The park is at the intersection of Clubhouse Drive and West 2nd Street, near the Bodenhamer Recreation Center. The blessings will begin at 10:00 AM on Saturday Sept. 30 in the park. This is close to the date the church celebrates the life of Saint Francis of Assisi. The brief service will include the blessing of each pet individually. Pastor Hope Knobler of Grace Lutheran Church, Gulf Shores, will officiate. The church is located a few blocks away at West 23rd Ave. at West 4th St. For details, call Al at 251-923-6101.

Pirates of Lost Treasure Cornole Tourney Oct. 7

Pirates of Lost Treasure Mardi Gras Krewe will host a Cornhole Tournament on Saturday, October 7th at the Perdido Key Sports Bar & Restaurant, 13583 Perdido Key Drive. Registration is Friday, October 6 from 5-8pm and Saturday from 10 - noon at the Perdido Key Sports Bar & Restaurant. The tournament starts at noon. Entry fee is $10 per person. The minimum age to register is 15 years old; singles only. There will be a blind draw for teams. For more information call Micah (850) 292-1848 or Dana (850) 313-4449. **Pictured:** Foamy fun at the recent Pirates car wash.

Anglers needed to catch flounder in Lagoon Pass for restocking

The Little Lagoon Preservation Society is recruiting anglers to help catch live flounder at Little Lagoon Pass for use by the Alabama Marine Resources Division's restocking efforts (MRD) on Oct. 10.

The MRD will have a boat with a transport box in the Pass waiting to pick up the fish. After several fish are caught, the small boat will carry the fish over to the parking lot on the north side of the Little Lagoon Pass, where there will be a truck with a large transport tank with oxygen waiting. The goal will be to catch 50 fish. For more info, contact LLPS President Dennis Hatfield at 251-942-2233.

"Please keep in mind that the date could change with weather conditions," Hatfield said. "The fall flounder run can happen sooner if we have a early cool fall and could happen later if fall has a late arrival. Also, keep in mind this will be an all day activity. Even an hour or two of time donated to the effort would be most appreciated."

Orange Beach Middle School will open near Sportsplex in August of 2019

Decision will alleviate overcrowding at GSES, protect County as G.S. explores own system

By Fran Thompson

The Baldwin County School Board recently approved funds for a new middle school in Orange Beach that will alleviate overcrowding at Gulf Shores Elementary School while giving the county a back-up plan should Gulf Shores proceed with plans it recently initiated to start its own school system.

Beginning in August of 2019, students from Gulf Shores and Orange Beach will attend the brand spanking new Orange Beach Middle School.

According to School Superintendent Eddie Tyler, a principal at GSHS for five years, the Gulf Shores Elementary and Gulf Shores Middle School buildings will be combined, and the middle grades will move to a new middle school located adjacent to the Orange Beach Sportsplex. This will alleviate the need for portables at Gulf Shores Elementary School.

"We feel like having the Elementary School move into the Gulf Shore Middle School campus will help fully accommodate long term future growth needs with 25 additional classrooms (with the ability to expand), two gymnasiums (one small/one large competition size), and additional greenspace where the current Middle School practice field is," stated John C. Wilson, Chief School Financial Officer for Baldwin County Public Schools.

"This will allow us to move the playground and create more parking, and the car and bus drop off areas will be completely reconfigured to greatly improve the traffic and congestion on the campus," he added.

"We feel like that approach gives us the best situation to get the most benefit from both campuses while utilizing our current capital budget allocations."

Tyler said connectors and corridors between Gulf Shores Elementary and Middle schools will be enclosed.

"This is an awesome solution and much better than the previous wing expansion plans," he said.

In the meantime, the school board will install air conditioned trailer restrooms, plumbed into the city system near the current portable classrooms and covered protective walkways between the portables and Gulf Shores Elementary School, according to Tyler.

"Relocating the Gulf Shores Middle School students to the new middle school campus will greatly alleviate the traffic congestion at Gulf Shores schools," Tyler stated in a letter to media and parents. "Adding an additional 12 classroom wing expansion would have made the campus grounds continue to shrink and traffic would still continue be a problem," Tyler said.

The new middle school, which will cost $14.9 million, will be located on land valued at $5 million donated by the City of Orange Beach.

"We could literally stack hundreds of cars into car line and have no one waiting on Canal Rd.," Tyler said. "The city is also providing traffic signals to stop traffic and exit school vehicles quickly. This will be much faster than what we are dealing with now."

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> **- Eddie Tyler**
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> **Baldwin Co. School Superintendent**

Tyler said, despite rumors to the contrary, classes such as AP, extracurricular activities and various other offerings students currently enjoy at Gulf Shores Middle School will also be offered at the new middle school. "Perhaps even more," he said.

Tyler said the new middle school will be built to include plans for immediate use as a facility to accommodate grades 7 through 12 should Gulf Shores proceed with the school system split that the city's elected officials have already voted to explore.

The Gulf Shores City Council, in August, agreed to spend up to $15,000 for a study conducted by Birmingham-based Public Affairs Research Council of Alabama (PARCA) to produce interactive modeling on the best way to move forward with a city school system.

Kevin Corcoran, co-chairman of the Island Task Force for Education, the group that lobbied the city to help fund that study, told the Mobile Press-Register that the school system is "out of touch" with growth projections within the Gulf Shores-Orange Beach feeder system, citing the number of four and five bedroom homes being built in Craft Farms.

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> **Island Task Force For Education Co-Chairman**

"If you look at the development of Craft Farms ... a significant number of those houses are four-to-five bedrooms," Corcoran said to P-R reporter John Sharp. "I don't believe those are empty nesters or retirees building four-to-five bedroom houses."

Wilson does not concur, stating that he expects some growth in Gulf Shores this year, but his charts documenting the 10 year enrollment figures for all the schools in the Gulf Shores feeder pattern show that growth has stabilized in most circumstances.

"And in a few schools have moderately declined over the last few years," he said.

"We are not seeing the level of growth in Gulf Shores that we are seeing in other areas. Not including Pre-K, we did see a small decline in all Gulf Shores schools last year and this was the only feeder pattern to show a year over year decline in all schools, but like I said earlier, we are expecting that trend to reverse and show some growth for this school year."

Wilson said projections, especially long term projections, are updated every year and change based on updated circumstances.

"That process is definitely more of an art than a science," he stated. "The board is currently working with South Alabama Department Center for Real Estate and Economic Development to further enhance and improve our projection model."

Tyler said that while GSES has seen growth since he left in 2008, the high school has grown "a tick over 100 students" while the middle school stays rel

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Proposed Orange Beach Middle School

G.S. proclaims Oct. People With Intellectual Disabilities Month in honor of K of C fundraising efforts

The City of Gulf Shores recently issued a proclamation declaring October People With Intellectual Disabilities Month to honor fundraising efforts that the Philip A. Lambert Knights of Columbus Council at Our Lady of the Gulf Church conducts each October to raise funds for special needs classes at Gulf Shores Elementary School, Gulf Shores Middle School, Gulf Shores High School and the Snook YMCA Starfish Special Olympics Team. The K of C's annual tootsie roll drive will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 13-14 at the front entrances to the Wal-Mart Super Center on Ft. Morgan Rd. in Gulf Shores. Part of a worldwide Catholic fraternal organization, the Gulf Shores based Council meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in the parish hall at 7 p.m. Meetings are preceeded by a pot luck dinner at 6 p.m. For more K of C info, call 251-967-1121, or e-mail info@gulfshoreskofc.org.

Pictured: (L to R) Gulf Shores Mayor Robert Craft, Knights of Columbus Council members Richard Pfizenmayer, Norm Franz, Patrick Ruane and John Oehlke.

Orange Beach Middle School

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atively stable. "I don't consider that bursting at the seams," he said.

The Baldwin County Board of Education passed a $60 million financing plan earlier this summer that included a middle school addition to Orange Beach Elementary for 7th & 8th grade students that included a gym, a cafetorium and major renovations at a cost of $6.34 million. A new larger gymnasium and 12 new classrooms for Gulf Shores Elementary School was priced at $3.8 million and was also part of the "pay-as-you-go" capital construction program.

In addition to using those funds, the School Board will use $2.5 million from the General Fund Reserve Balance, $2.5 million in unappropriated State of Alabama BP funds and $2 million from rolling capital expenditure surpluses to pay for the new school.

Gulf Shores Mayor Robert Craft said the School Board's decision to build a new middle school in Orange Beach was totally unexpected.

"Mr. Tyler and I have always maintained very open dialogue in his time as Superintendent. The complete absence of communication while this plan was being engineered is perplexing," Mayor Craft said in a statement.

"Approximately 75% of the children attending schools within our feeder pattern live in Gulf Shores. While I am encouraged that the Baldwin County Board of Education now has $15 million available to invest in our feeder pattern, their neglect to incorporate any input or involvement from our community into the development of a plan of this magnitude is extremely disappointing."

The School Superintendent said the idea for a new middle school in Orange Beach was presented to his staff by Mayor Craft and Kevin Cocoran and that the presentation included a new three-mil tax increase.

"While they pursued the new tax increase idea, they asked us to not make any changes. We waited. When they decided not to move forward, I immediately put Gulf Shores on the priority list for new expansion and we rushed to get something done," Tyler stated. "One week after we announced our plans, the city announced the idea to begin a city school split, which again froze everything. The word "blindsided" was mentioned at Thursday night's Board meeting. How ironic.

"I hope Gulf Shores stays with Baldwin County Public Schools," Tyler added. "I have a lot of great memories there, but we must be ready if they choose something else."

Dr. McCollough receives prestigious Paul W. Bryant Award

Local plastic surgeon played for 1964 national championship team

Gulf Shores Facial Plastic Surgeon, Dr. E. Gaylon McCollough, received the University of Alabama's "2017 Paul W. Bryant Alumni Athlete Award" during a halftime ceremony at the school's first home football game. The award is presented to a former UA athlete whose accomplishments since leaving the university are outstanding. Selection is based on accomplishments in the following areas: Character; Contributions to Society; Professional Achievement and Service to Fellowman. Dr. McCollough is a globally recognized surgeon, teacher, and author. The international publication, Cosmetic Surgery Times called him a "Renaissance Man."

On May 13 2017, he was inducted into the the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame's as the institution's 2017 Distinguished Alabama Sportsma". While attending the University of Alabama as a student, he was an Academic All-American center on Alabama Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant's 1964 National Championship Team. He has served as President of the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame, the Birmingham Touchdown Club, Gulf Coast Athletic Club, and is also an inductee of the Wiregrass Area Sports Hall of Fame. He was chosen by the citizens of his hometown (Enterprise, Alabama) as the city's All-Time Football Player.

In the 1990s, McCollough was a two-time invited guest of the National Defense University at Ft. McNair in Washington. He also served as vice-chair of UA President Joab Thomas' President's Cabinet, co-chairman for the Bryant Museum Planning Committee and co-chair for the university's 1990s Capital Campaign for the College of Arts and Sciences. In the spring of 2017 he and his wife, (former Miss Alabama Susan Nomberg) endowed the McCollough Institute for Pre-Medical Scholars at the University of Alabama, a one of a kind educational experience for tomorrow's physicians.

He and his wife Susan also funded construction of the Susan and Gaylon McCollough A-Club Career and Leadership Development Center in the Battle Academic Center at Bryant Hall on the UA Tuscaloosa campus. In 2015, Dr. McCollough received the United States Sports Academy's Theodore Roosevelt Meritorious Achievement Award. Previous recipients included President Ronald Reagan. He was also honored twice by the All-American Football Foundation, with Distinguished American and Un-Sung Hero Awards. In 1994, Dr. McCollough was honored by the March of Dimes as Alabama Citizen of the Year and is listed in the National Registry of Who's Who in Medicine. He has been included in Best Doctors in America, America's Top Plastic Surgeons, America's Best Physicians, and the National Academy of Medicine. He also served as commissioner on the State of Alabama's first Medical Licensure Commission.

Dr. McCollough is the author/co-author of several major textbooks on facial and nasal plastic surgery. His textbook The Elite Facial Surgery Practice shares his experiences with aspiring younger surgeons and those seeking to expand their practices. It will be released, worldwide, in the fall of 2017.

He is board-certified by both The American Board of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (ABRPRS) and the American Board of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery (ABO-HNS). He was elected by his peers to serve as the ABFPRS first President. In 2009, he received the Larry Schoenrock Award from the ABFPRS for leadership efforts in the specialty of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

On the international stage, Dr. McCollough served as President of the International Council of Integrative Medicine and has traveled to numerous countries where he taught and performed life enhancing procedures. He is a director of fellowship training for the American Academy of Facial Plastic Surgery's and has trained 94 Facial Plastic Surgeons, in his US clinics. For his efforts as an instructor and author of textbooks and journal articles, he was awarded the AAFPRS's two highest awards.

Dr. McCollough was inducted into the American Board of Cosmetic Surgery as an honorary member and served as President of the American Association of Cosmetic Surgeons. He is Clinical Professor of Surgery (Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery) in the Department of Surgery at the University of South Alabama, College of Medicine and while in Birmingham, he was a Clinical Professor in the Department of Surgery at UAB Medical Center.

In 2007, Dr. McCollough was honored for the release of his book Let Us Make Man, at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City, New York. In addition he has written The Long Shadow of Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant, (Compress Press, 2008) a profile of the late, great Alabama football Coach, Shoulders of Giants (Albright Publishing, 1986), Before and After (Compress Press, 1994), The Image in the Mirror, a.k.a. The Appearance Factor (Compress Press, 2009), a consumer's guide to plastic surgery as a method of appearance and health enhancement, The Oath (A-Argus Better Book Publishers, LLC), his first novel, The Annunaki Enigma: Armageddon 2015 co-Authored with Dr. Symm McCord, A-Argus Better Book Publishers, and The Lords of Seduction (A-Argus Better Book Publishers, LLC), and The Orwellian State of America.

The 35,000 square foot McCollough Institute for Appearance & Health is an interdisciplinary professional complex dedicated to helping people from all walks of life look, feel, and perform better... longer. The Institute is located in the coastal golf and resort community (Craft Farms). In 2002, the McCollough Institute was honored by the Alabama Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce as "Business of the Year".

Dr. McCollough and his wife have two children, four grandchildren and a small herd of Tennessee Walking Horses on their ranch near the McCollough Institute.

What's Happening

WED, SEPT 27

- **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.
- **Frankie G On Piano:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
- **Open Mic:** 5:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Suogarcane Jane:** 5; Lulu's Restaurant, Gulf Shores.
- **Lisa Zanghi & Scott Koehn:** 6:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke & Dance Party:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 6; 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.
- **Trivia (7:30) Karaoke (9):** The Office, Foley.
- **Bingo:** 7; Moe's BBQ; Foley.
- **Big Beach Running Club:** 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; all levels welcome.
- **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.
- **Grief Support Group:** 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola; 850-492-2135
- **Food Bank:** 9-11 a.m every Wednesday, Perdido Bay Baptist Church, 12600 Sorrento Rd. Pensacola; call for eligiblity requirements at (850) 492-2604.
- **Bread Ministry:** 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Orange Beach United Methodist Church Brook's Center.
- **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.
- **Perdido Key Rotary Club:** 7:30 a.m.; every Wednesday at Triggers. 850.492.8335.
- **Storytime at Pensacola Southwest Branch Library:** free; infant to 5; 10:30-11; 12238 Old Gulf Beach Hwy; (850)453-7780.
- **Gulf Shores Lions Club:** noon; 2nd & 4th Wednesday; noon; Gulf Shores Community House, 300 E. 16th Avenue; 251-968-2823.
- **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

Foley author's gothic horror novel receives International Book Award

Foley resident Rocky Porch Moore's southern gothic horror novel Clemenceau's Daughters has taken Honorable Mention for general fiction in the Readers' Favorite International Book Awards. Moore will travel to Miami in November for the gala event.

This marks the 4th award for **(pictured)** Moore's debut novel, after receiving gold in horror, silver in literary fiction, and silver in general fiction at the 2016 Florida Authors and Publishers Association President's Awards.

Moore is a longtime educator in Baldwin County. Her second novel is slated for release in February. Clemenceau's Daughters is available at rockyporchmoore.com, The Foley Art Center, amazon.com, barnes and noble.com, books a million.com, and Walmart.com.

The Readers' Favorite International Book Award Contest featured thousands of contestants from over a dozen countries, ranging from new independent authors to NYT best-sellers and celebrities.

Kenny Vines Memorial Billfish Tourney Sept. 29-30 at Sportsman

The Kenny Vines Memorial Billfishing Tourney is scheduled Sept. 29-30 at Sportsman and will include a dinner and captains' meeting on Sept. 29 and an awards party at 8 p.m. on Sept. 30, both at the Tiki Bar adjacent to the marina. The tourney benefits The Billfish Foundation, one of Vines' many causes, as well as local charities. The tourney's scale hours are Saturday, Sept. 30 from 5-8 p.m. Tourney winners will receive trophies, prizes and bragging rights at the awards party. The entry fee is only $200 per boat, with a $50 charge for each additional angler. Species include Tuna, Wahoo, Dolphin,White Marlin, Blue Marlin and Sailfish.

For more information, visit OrangeBeachSportfishingClub.org, FaceBook, email OBSC2009@gmail.com or call 251-623-3362.

Candy Scramble At GSES: The Gulf Shores Elementary School library hosted its annual Candy Scramble on September 1, celebrating 141 of the GSES summer readers who met their summer reading goal. The event was sponsored by the GSES PTO, GSES Dolphin Dads, and Roberts Brothers, Inc. Additional thanks to Breeze Reprographics for creating and donating the banner. **Pictured:** Mike Reynolds (Roberts Brothers, Inc.), Jason Stephenson (Dolphin Dads), Valerie Matthews (PTO), Amy Hiller (GSES Principal), Alison Smith (Roberts Brothers, Inc.), Nicky Gotschall (PTO), Daphne Goodman (PTO), Michelle Bennett (GSES Librarian), Arthur Robertson (Dolphin Dads).

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What's Happening

Alice in Wonderland is 2018 Mad Hatter's theme

The Chairman of the Foley Woman's Club's annual Mad Hatters' event, Kelly Barrett **(pictured),** sporting the famous hat of the Mad Hatter announced the theme for the Club's March 8, 2018, event at the Clubs' kick-off meeting on September 11. Alice's Wonderland will be the theme

Attendees will come decked out in "Wonderland" hats and costumes to help raise funds for the Club's donations to local charitable groups. The event at the Foley Civic Center will include lunch, entertainment, raffles, silent auction and, of course, the famous Hat Parade. Tickets and additional information will be available at a later date. For more Madhatter information, call Kelly Barrett at 251-943-4433. For information about the Foley Woman's Club, call President Chris Anglin at 251-943-3443.

THU, SEPT 28

- **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.
- **Open Mic:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Cornhole Tourney:** 6; Moe's BBQ; Foley.
- **Hippy Jim:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach..
- **John Brust:** 6; Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **LeAnne Creswell & Lisa Zanghi:** 6; Franco's; Orange Beach.
- **Lefty Collins:** 5; Lulu's Restaurant, Gulf Shores.
- **Scott Koehn:** 6; Pleasure Island Tiki Bar, Orange Beach.
- **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.
- **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; 251-981-3440.
- **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

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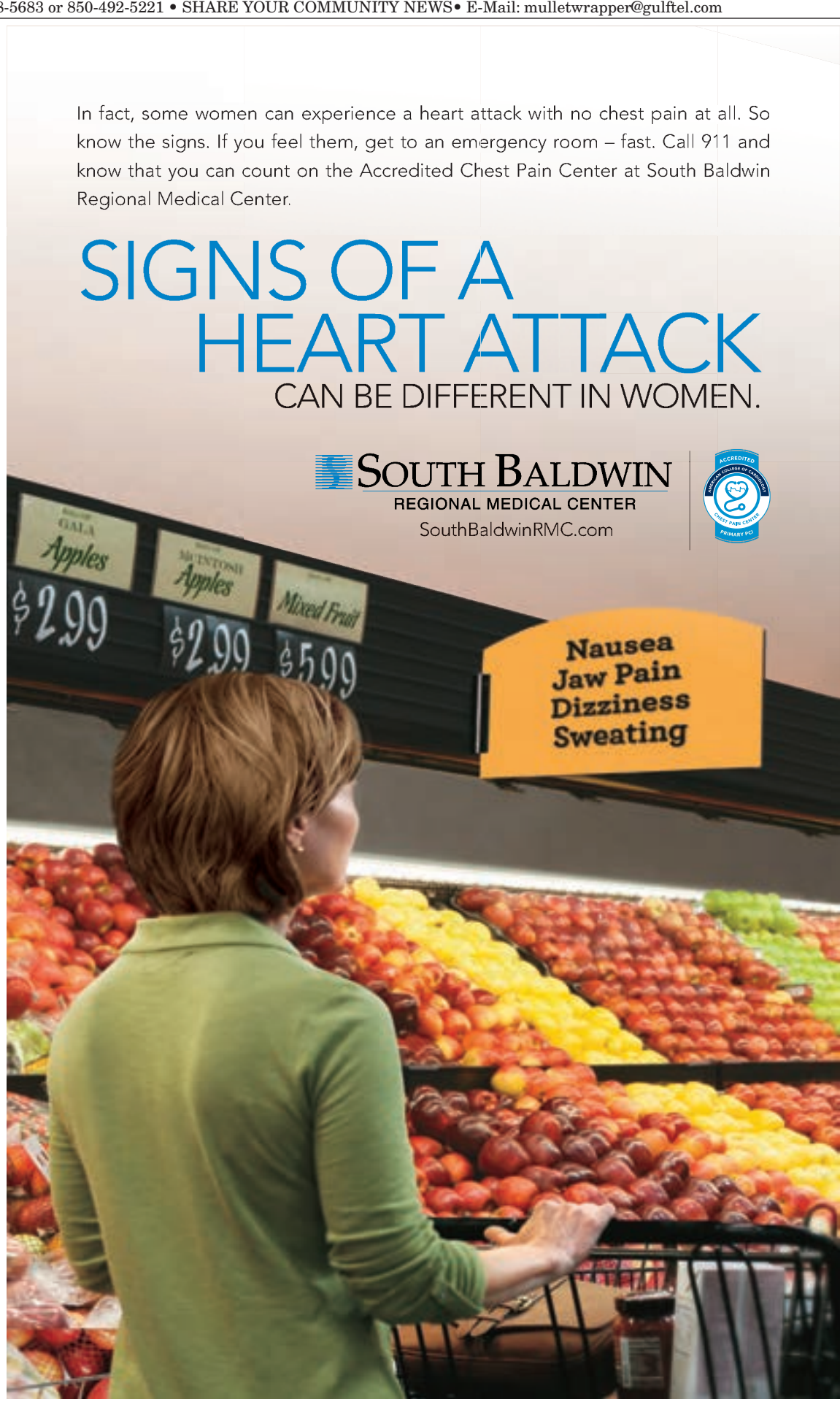

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LEARNING IMPORTANT LIFE LESSONS AT OBES: School Counselor Mrs. Minto shares a book with Ms. Brunick's first grade class at Orange Beach Elementary School. Students learned about personal space, being respectful of others, and showing kindness toward others.

Gulf Shores CrossFit hosts Nov. 11 Beach Assault

Gulf Shores CrossFit is hosting the Beach Assault, a fitness competition designed to test competitors' athletic prowess in several modalities on Nov. 11. This event will be the first of its kind held on Alabama's Gulf Coast and will feature teams of two competing against each other for top honors over several divisions. For more info, visit gulfshoresbeachassault.com.

Registration for the event will remain open until 31 October. The divisions featured in the competition are: Teens (15-17 y/o), beginner and advanced (18-49) and masters (49+). All divisions will consist of teams of two in both all male and all female pairings. The entry fee is $150/ team.

Teams will compete in four different workouts over the course of the day, each one testing different aspects of physical and mental ability. The top three teams in each division will be recognized at an awards ceremony at the Hangout and all participants are invited to stay after to enjoy the Hangout's awesome party space.

Free memory & balance screenings in November

GlenLakes Golf Club, in association with the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, will sponsor free and totally confidential memory screening and balance tests Nov. 1, 2, 3 & 8 at convenient locations in Foley, Gulf Shores, Orange Beach and Fairhope.

The tests can be performed in 20 minutes or less. Unlike memory loss, seniors do not have to suffer a loss in their balance. Come for the test learn how to improve your balance – simple, at home exercise. Walk-ins are welcome and no appointments are needed. Testing does not diagnose illness or replace the need to see a qualified medical professional. For more info, call 251-752-8742.

SCHEDULE

- Nov. 1 – Orange Beach Community Center, 27235 Canal Road, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Nov. 2 - Foley Civic Center, West Laurel Street, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Nov. 3 – Fairhope, James P. Nix Center, 1 Bayou Dr., Noon – 4 p. m.
- Nov. 8 – Gulf Shores Cultural Center, Bldg. C, 19470 Oak Rd., CR 6W, Noon – 4 p.m.

FRI, SEPT 29

- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; Flora-Bama Loung Tent Stage; Perdido Key.
- **Pumpkin Patch Express and Scary Night Train:** 5-9 p.m.; Wales West, Summerdale; 251-232-2322.
- **TenSixtyFive Festival:** free; Streets of downtown Mobile.
- **Adam Tyler Brown:** 6; Margarita Loca Bar & Grill, Gulf Shores.
- **Destiny Brown:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 6; Franco's; Orange Beach.
- **David Jones Jazz:** 6; The Courtyard at Sanroc Cay, Orange Beach.
- **Jim Andrews:** 7; SanBar, Courtyard, Orange Beach.
- **Live Karaoke in the Tiki Bar:** 6; Live Bait, Orange Beach.
- **Bo Grant of The Platters:** 7; Papa Rocco's, Gulf Shores.
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What's Happening

Wales West Pumpkin Express & Scary Night Train starts Sept. 29

All aboard the 2017 Pumpkin Patch Express and Scary Night Train at Wales West in Summerdale from September 29 through October 31. Ride an authentic Steam Train to the Haunted Barn Maze and Kiddie-Friendly Pumpkin Patch, decorate a Free Pumpkin, enjoy the Mini-Train Ride, Hay Ride, Refreshments, Bounce House, and T-Rex Jr. Exciting Pumpkin Cannon, Petting Zoo/Pony Rides, Cafe, and Gift Shop available for a slight fee. Day trains are kid friendly and scarey night trains begin at 7 p.m. The event is open on Fridays and Saturdays from 5-9 p.m. and Sundays from 1-9 p.m. Starting October 24, The Express is open week days from 5-9 p.m. and weekends from 1-9 p.m. Tickets may be purchased online or onsite. Cost is $15 per person, plus tax; with children 2 and under admitted free. For more info, visit waleswest.com or call 251-232-2322 or 888-569-5337. Wales West is located on Co.Rd. 9 at 13670 Smiley St. in Silverhill.

Michele's Hope Distributes $9K To Those Serving Needy Families: Michele's Hope recently distributed $9,000 to several local organizations that serve needy individuals and families in Baldwin County. Seated from left are Jamie Foote and Mike Brokowsky, Family Promise; Esther Nance, Peace Lutheran Church School Uniform Ministry. Standing from left are Sherri Shutt, St. Benedict Catholic School, Elberta; Tommy Cain, representing St. Patrick Catholic School, Robertsdale; Sissy Flanigan, Gulf Shores Starfish Swim Team; and Deanna Kaechele, Peace Lutheran Church School Uniform Ministry.

- **Scott Koehn / Lisa Zanghi Duo: 6;** San Bar Courtyard, Orange Beach.
- **Jimmy Lee Hanniford Duo:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach..
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Grits 'n Pieces:** 5; Lulu's Restaurant, Gulf Shores.
- **Music Man & Company:** 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **Rhonda Hart & Friends:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
- **DJ-Karaoke:** 9; The Jellyfish, Perdido Key.
- **Karaoke:** 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Terry Causey:** 6:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.
- **Kristi Dees Bad Juju:** 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- **Open Jam:** 8, American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- **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.

SAT, SEPT 30

- **Shindig on the Sand:** celebration of Gulf Coast music & musicians: noon 'til; Flora-Bama, Ole River Oyster Bar & Flora-Bama Yacht Club; Perdido Key; 850-492-0611.
- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m.

Tickets on sale for Nov. 3-4 Hangout Oyster Cook-Off

Sample over 100 oyster recipes or indulge in the largest curated selection of farmed oysters from all over North America during the Hangout Oyster Cook-Off & Craft Beer Weekend scheduled Nov. 3-4 at Gulf Shores Public Beach. Starting at 11 a.m. on Nov. 4, patrons can sample over 100 oyster recipes or indulge in the largest curated selection of farmed oysters from all over North America. Admission to Saturday's celebration is $10 (free for children 12 & under). Pre-sale tasting ticket booklets are an additional $25 for 15 tickets. A VIP option is also available for $150. Tickets are on sale at hangoutcookoff.com.

The weekend begins on Nov. 3, with Craft Beer Friday featuring tastings from upwards of 20 craft breweries and live music. Celebrities and James Beard Award winning chefs will be demonstrating recipes and cooking techniques. Featured restaurants will be serving up Rockefeller, Gulf Coast Cajun and Raw Oysters for everyone to taste all day Saturday.

Top visiting chefs hoping to break the stranglehold local restaurants have had thoughout the festival's 10 year history include Rob McDaniel (SpringHouse), Derek Emerson (Walker's Drive-In), Brian Canipelli (Cucina 24), and Erik Niel (Easy Bistro & Bar). The Chef Demo stage is hosted by Alabama's very own Food Network Star, Martie Duncan.

Orange Beach Elementary School Terrific Kids

Orange Beach Elementary School Kiwanis September Terrific Kids included **(top)** Pre-K -2nd Grade - Front Row (left to right) Jeanne Monroe Moss, Grace Grissom, Tinsley Vail, Eva Prince, Sinclair Spriggs, Back Row - (left to right) Logan Jackson, Alexa Havrilla, Ashton Barnidge, Luiz Duarte, James Hawkins. **(Below)** 3rd-6th Grade - Front Row (left to right) Sutton Rambo, Dustin Opperud, Mattison West, Ava Coburn, Madison Ivie, Ella Price, Back Row (left to right) Xander Nelson, Nelson Moseley, Sanders Semiklose, Tripp Carter, Cooper Sanders, Charles Murray Reed.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Nov. 10 golf tourney benefits FBISF Education Foundation

Strut Your Putt with the Perdido Key Chamber of Commerce and raise funds for the Frank Brown International Songwriters Festival Education Foundation during the chamber's November 10 golf tourney at Perdido Bay Golf Clu. Local Sponsors will be Showcasing their business at each hole while golfers compete for the gold. The Foundation awards scholarship funds to college bound Baldwin and Escambia County high school students who display a serious interest in music and supplies instruments to schools to support their music programs. For more info, call 850-492-5221.

The Frank Brown International Foundation for Music produces the Frank Brown International Songwriters Festival,the oldest festival of its' kind in the country.

'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.

• **Pumpkin Patch Express and Scary Night Train:** 5-9 p.m.; Wales West, Summerdale; 251-232-2322.

• **TenSixtyFive Festival:** free; Streets of downtown Mobile.

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

• **Bo Grant of The Platters:** 7; Papa Rocco's, Gulf Shores.

• **Live Karaoke in the Tiki Bar:** 6; Live Bait, Orange Beach.

• **David Jones:** 7; SanBar, Courtyard, Orange Beach.

• **Hippie Jim:** noon; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.

• **Moderate Chops:** 9; The Office, Foley.

• **Jason Justice:** 5; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach..

• **Motown favorites J.P. and Kathy Lyons:** 6; Franco's; Orange Beach.

• **Two of Hearts:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.

• **Moderate Chops:** 9; The Office, Foley.

• **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.

• **Karaoke:** 6:30; American Legion Post 99, Foley.

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

• **Open Jam:** 8, American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.

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

• **Whyte Caps:** 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.

• **Coastal Alabama Farmer's & Fisherman's Market:** 9-2; 20733 Miflin Rd., Foley.

• **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, OCT 1

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

• **The Church at the Flora-Bama:** 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Flora-Bama Tent Stage, Perdido Key.

• **Unity Church Service:** 9:45 a.m; Papa Rocco's, Hwy. 59, one block from beach in Gulf Shores.

• **Pumpkin Patch Express and Scary Night Train:** 1-9 p.m.; Wales West, Summerdale; 251-232-2322.

• **2nd Annual Oktoberfest:** 2-6 p.m.; Luna's Eat & Drink, 25753 Canal Rd., Orange Beach.

• **TenSixtyFive Festival:** free; Streets of downtown Mobile.

• **Grits 'N Pieces:** 5; LuLu's; Gulf Shores.

• **Matt Slowik:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

• **Customer Appreciation Night:** 6; Free food; 1st drink free; 25% off gift shop; Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.

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

• **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 6; Franco's; Orange Beach.

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

• **Turkey Shoot:** sign-up at 11 a.m.; Elberta VFW, Elberta.

• **Music Man & Company:** 5; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.

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

• **Gary Story:** 5; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.

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

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

• **Open Mic Karaoke:** 6: American Legion Post 99, Foley.

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

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

• **AA:** 5 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

MON, OCT 2

• **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.

• **Frankie G & LeaAnn Creswell:** 6:30;

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What's Happening

Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
• **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 8; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **Brent Burns:** 5; LuLu'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.
• **L.A. Fleet Feet Running Club:** 6 p.m.; Orange Beach Marina on Marina Rd.; lafleetfeet.com.
• **Bingo:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
• **8 Ball APA:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
• **Overeaters Anonymous:** 6; Holy Spirit Episcopal Church; Gulf Shores, 616 Ft. Morgan Rd.; 251-709-5907.
• **Orange Beach Community Center Association Monthly Covered Dish Dinner:** social at 5, dinner at 6:30 p.m.; all winter guests welcome; Canal Road next to the Recreation Center; 251-981-1942.
• **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.
• **AA:** 7 p.m.; 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, OCT 3

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• **Flora-Bama Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; Flora-Bama Loung Tent Stage; Perdido Key.
• **Frankie G On Piano:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
• **Lisa Zanghi, Doug Habbena, Scott Koehn:** 6:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.
• **Jimmy Lumpkin:** 5; LuLu's; Gulf Shores.
• **Sam Glass:** 6: The Purple Parrot, Perdido Key.
• **Karaoke:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
• **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 8; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **Karaoke w. John Henry:** 5:30; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
• **JW Karaoke:** 6; Hub Stacy's At The Point, Innerarity Point.
• **NAPA Pool League:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
• **Karaoke:** 5; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.
• **Coastal Alabama Farmer's & Fisherman's Market:** 2-6 p.m.; 20733 Miflin Rd., Foley.
• **Bowling Tourney:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
• **Orange Beach City Council Meeting:** 5 p.m.; City Hall; 980-INFO.
• **Bingo:** 10 to 2; Gulf Coast Elks Lodge 2782, Foley: 251-971-2782.
• **GriefShare Support Group:** For men and women; 6-8 p.m.; Point Church, 13801 Innerarity Point Rd. Info: Shirley Johnson, 601-278-6973.
• **L.A. Fleet Feet Running Club:** Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at Kids Park by Bodenhamer Rec. Center; 5K, 10K, or walk; Info: visit lafleetfeet.com.
• **Orange Beach Bridge Club**: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; 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.

What's Happening

Lillian Women's Club: On September 19, The Lillian Women's Club hosted their first monthly meeting for the 2017-2018 year at the Lillian Community Club. A delicious lunch of orange chicken, stir fried vegetables, salad, rice and dessert was served by Jim & Joyce Herman. The September program "85 and Alive" was presented by Maria Patti, daughter of Joe Patti from Joe Patti's Seafood in Pensacola. Maria's message to all women was don't sell yourself short, and she explained how she managed to follow her dreams even though she grew up in a traditional, hierarchal, Sicilian house. Through determination and hard work she earned her degree, joined the Army, lived in Germany and became an accomplished pianist, singer and teacher. She was an inspiring speaker and received a standing ovation. The next Lillian Women's Club meeting will be on October 17 at the Lillian Community Club. Social time starts around 11:30 a.m. with lunch at noon. To make a reservation please call Cindy Causey at (614) 598-0241 or drop of your $11 check at the Lillian Library by October 10th, 2017. For further information call Char Kuhr at (251) 961-2113.
Pictured: (top) Maria Patti, (below) Linda Andrews & Shirley Covert; Cindy Causey.

- **Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon:** 7:30 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola, info: Sarah De Lazzer, 262-749-4241.
- **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.
- **AA:** 7 p.m.; 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, OCT 4

- **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.
- **Coastal Birdfest:** various Baldwin County locations; alabamacoastalbirdfest.com.
- **Frankie G On Piano:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke & Dance Party:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Justin Yawn:** 6; Lulu's Restaurant, Gulf Shores.
- **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **John Joiner & Friends:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Open Mic:** 5:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **Trivia (7:30) Karaoke (9):** The Office, Foley.
- **Scott Koehn & Lisa Zanghi:** 6:30; Flipper's, Orange Beach.
- **Big Beach Running & Social Club:** 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; lafleetfeet.com.
- **Family Night Dinner & Activities:** 5:45 p.m.; Saint Andrew by the Sea, 17263 Fort Morgan Rd., Gulf Shores; 678-361-2762.

59 teams will compete in Oct. 13-15 Sanddollar Showcase

Admire the softball skills of elite softball players in 14U, 16U and 18U divisions at the 2017 Sanddollar Showcase when it swings into the Gulf Shores Sportsplex October 13-15. At least 59 teams will compete for titles in the three divisions. Teams include:
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18U - TeamsAlabama Sparks Elite - Stewart 2018; Birmingham Thunderbolts 01 Dorsett; Birmingham Vipers 01; Birmingham Vipers OO Burton; Davie Mustangs; Platinum 18/19/20; Jersey Intensity - Hannigan; Louisiana Bombers Gold; Texas Bombers Gold; West Florda Elite - 18u.
16U - Alabama Premier 02 White; Alabama Sparks Elite - Barnes 2020; Alabama Sparks Elite - Stewart 2019/20; Birmingham Vipers 02-Standifer; Firecrackers AL Payne 16u (20/21); Firecrackers FL Hoopes 16U; Firecrackers FL Hoopes 16U; FiveStar Elite; Florida Elite 16-Green; Fury Platinum 19/20/21; Gainesville Gold-McFayden; Hurricanes; Impact Gold MS Holeman; Louisiana Bombers Gold; Marucci Patriots-Hymel; Mobile Thrillers-Fuller; MS Elite Southeast; OUTKAST 02; Panhandle Xtreme "johns"; South Alabama Elite 02; Southern Spirit - steege; Southrn Fury 20/21; Tampa Mustangs - TJ; Texas Bombers Gold; Texas Glory Adkins - Gold Htx; West Florida Elite - 16u; West Mobile Express; Windermere WIldfire 16U - Paulson

21st Suzi Beane Golf Classic Sept. 30 at Perdido's Lost Key

By Cissy Witt
The 21st Annual Suzi Beane Golf Classic will be held on Saturday, September 30 at Lost Key Golf Club on Perdido Key. Registration starts at 8am with a shotgun start at 9am. A continental breakfast, course beverages and lunch will be included in your registration fee . A silent auction in addition to best decorated cart and many other competitions will be held.
The proceeds to this year's tournament will benefit the Ronald McDonald House Charities and St. Jude's Children's Hospital. The cost is $75.00 per player/ $300.00 per team or $500.00 per team which includes Tee and Green Signs . If you would like to sponsor a Tee or Green Sign the cost is $125.00 per sign. Suzi Beane lost her battle with cancer at the young age of 42. Like others that have battled and are still battling, it takes each one of us to stand up and support others in our community.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING

O.B. to unveil historical marker at Original Romar House B&B on Oct. 3

Orange Beach will continue to honor its historical heritage by unveiling a marker at the Original Romar House Bed & Breakfast on Perdido Beach Blvd. at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3. The community is invited to attend and participate. The City of Orange Beach commissioned the creation of the marker as part of its participation in Alabama's upcoming bicentennial celebration, ALABAMA 200.

The copy on the both sides of the bronze marker was written by the city's official historian, local author Margaret Childress-Long.

A historial marker at Perdido Pass honoring the city's fishing heritage and the Callaway and Walker families was unveiled in April at the newly refurbished Seawall Park at Alabama Point.

Childress-Long, a member of the Baldwin County Historic Development Commission, said the marker at Romar Beach will be the city's fourth historical marker. There are also markers at Bear Point Cemetery (paid for by the OBFD) and the Coastal Art Center, site of the original Orange Beach Hotel (paid for by the State of Alabama).

The City of Orange Beach will pay for four more historical markers, with the final two slated to be installed in 2019.

"Next will be Orange Beach Municipal Complex, and then Bay Circle," Childress-Long said. "The Romar Beach marker is going right in front of the Original Romar House Bed & Breakfast. People will be able to read the marker and look across the road at Power Line Road. I wish there were some of the Roche and Martin families still alive, but I know of none."

The two sided markers commissioned by the city weigh 182 pounds are made by Corey Swindle, owner of the Fairhope Foundry in Fairhope.

It is the hope of Alabama 200 and the local historic commission that there will be a total of 84 historical markers throughout Baldwin County by 2019, said Childress-Long. According to the official website, ALABAMA 200 is "the state's official bicentennial commemoration and will consider a rich and complex history made every day by people like us. Whether they lived here for centuries or came from far away, Alabamians made this land of natural beauty and diversity, innovation and change, challenge and resilience, their home. Their stories embrace some of the most significant moments in national and world history. Between January 2017 and December 2019, Alabamians all over the state and beyond will create and take part in educational and enriching opportunities to discover, explore, preserve, and share those stories."

Romar Beach Marker (Side 1)

The 1924 Spurgeon Roche House has survived many storms. It was originally built on pilings, a second story was added later, and it has been strengthened through many renovations over the years. Jerry Gilbreath of Mississippi purchased the Roche house around 1980. In 1991, he turned it into the Original Romar House Bed & Breakfast. It is still operating as Alabama's first Gulfside B&B. The original Carl Martin house stood until 1979 when Hurricane Frederic destroyed it.

Mack Shelby was the caretaker of the Romar Homestead which was adjacent to Gulf State Park. Lake Shelby, located within the park, is named for the Shelby family.

Most of the original Roche/Martin homestead was sold to developers over the years and many buildings in the area carry the Romar name, including the Romar Beach Baptist Church, Romar Tower, Romar Place, Romar Beach Condos, Romar Lake Development, and the Romar Beach Public Access.

Romar Beach Marker (Side 2)

Romar Beach began as a large homestead property with three miles of beachfront spanning from Gulf State Park to Hwy. 161 in Orange Beach. The original property now covers only 480 feet. It was a true homestead and the owners were required to "till the soil." Of all attempts over the years, only the oleander trees survived. The owners were business friends from Mobile, Alabama - Spurgeon Roche and Carl "Zeke" Martin. The first two letters of Roche and the first three of Martin formed the name "Romar."

Their two houses, built around 1924, were the first houses built on the beach. It was difficult to access their property so the two men built their own road south from Canal Road straight to the beach. This included a wooden bridge built over the freshwater lakes. For stability, the roadway was "corduroyed" with logs and lumber across the swamp and sandy land. That road is now "Power Line Road."

• **Bingo:** 7; Moe's BBQ; Foley.
• **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.
• **Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
• **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.
• **Perdido Key Rotary Club:** 7:30 a.m.; every Wednesday at Triggers. 850.492.8335.
• **Storytime at Pensacola Southwest Branch Library:** free; infant to 5; 10:30-11; 1-2238 Old Gulf Beach Hwy; (850)453-7780.
• **Gulf Shores Garden Club:** 9:30 a.m.; first Wednesday of each month September thru May; Harry Roberts Senior Community House; 300 E. 16th Avenue, Gulf Shores; new members and guests always welcome; 251-968-5683.
• **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
• **AA:** 7:30 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

THU, OCT 5

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5 **Main Room** 2:00 Dave McCormick 6:00 Mark Sherrill, Chris Newbury, Mel Knapp, James Daniel 10:15 Dustin Bogue **Deck State** 5:30 Dueling Pianos with Frankie Golden & Steve Wilkerson 10:00 Mallet Brothers **Tent Stage** 1:00-4:00 Bingo **Yacht Club** 5:00 Zachary Diedrich	6 **Main Room** 2:00 Lea Anne Creswell Duo 6:00 Alabama Lightning 10:15 Mario Mena Duo **Deck Stage** 1:00 J Hawkins Duo 5:30 Big Earl (Jack Robertson) Show 10:00 Mallet Brothers **Tent Stage** 1:00-4:00 Bingo 6:00 Big Muddy 10:30 Southern Drawl **Yacht Club** 5:00 Dustin Bogue	7 **Main Room** 2:00 J Hawkins Duo 6:00 Dustin Bogue 10:15 Brian Hill Trio **Deck Stage** 1:00 Jo Jo Pres 5:30 Big Earl Show 10:00 Foxy Iguanas **Tent Stage** 10:30 Whyte Caps	8 **Main Room** 1:30 Songs of Rusty McHugh with Jason Justice 6:00 Perdido Brothers 10:15 Bruce Smelley **Deck Stage** 4:00 The Bräts **Tent Stage** 9:00 & 11:00 Worship on the Water 2:00 Al & Cathy **Yacht Club** 12:00 Smokey Otis Duo	9 Main Room 2:00 Gove Scrivenor 6:00 Open Mic with Cathy Pace 10:15 Petty & Pace **Top Deck Stage** 8:00 Dustin Bogue **Tent Stage** 1:00-4:00 Bingo	10 Main Room 2:00 T-Bone Montgomery 6:00 Perdido Brothers 10:15 Lee Yankie Trio **Top Deck** 8:00 Kevin Swanson **Tent Stage** 1:00-4:00 Bingo	11 Main Room 2:00 Neil Dover 6:00 Hartbreak Hill 10:15 Mario Mena Duo **Top Deck** 8:00 Kyle Wilson **Tent Stage** 1:00-4:00 Bingo

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Cookin' With Carolyn

By Carolyn Godfrey

Spice Cookies
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1 cup sugar
1 egg, unbeaten
1/4 cup molasses
Then sift together and stir in
2 cups flour
2 tsp. baking soda
1/4 tsp salt
1 tsp. cinnamon
3/4 tsp. powdered cloves
3/4 tsp. powdered ginger
Now mix it all together, and form it into walnut-sized balls. Put them two inches apart on a greased cookie
sheet and bake at 375 degrees for ten to twelve minutes. Makes plenty.
Enjoy!

St. Joseph's Inside Rummage Sale Oct. 26-28: St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lillian will host its annual "Heavenly Treasures & Earthly Delights" inside rummage sale from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 26, 27 and 28 in Immaculate Mary Hall. The treasures and delights include furniture, clothing, craft items, Christmas decor, kitchen appliances, tools, electronics, collectibles and much more. Proceeds from the sale will be deposited in the Capital Fund for repair of the hall roof. To donate items contact Hannah Gale, 850-766-1645 or Harriet Shields, 205-405-7499. **Pictured:** Members of the St. Joseph Altar Society have been working for weeks to get the annual inside rummage sale ready. From left are Mary Hillestad, Mary Jane Marion, Barbara Krouse, Hannah Gale and Harriet Shields.

Nov. 2 Honours Golf Classic raises funds for CSC

Craft Farms Golf Resort, Peninsula Golf and Racquet Club and Rock Creek Golf Club have come together to host the Inaugural Honours Golf Charity Classic on November 2 at Peninsula Golf and Racquet Club. The goal of this golf tournament is to raise funds for Christian Service Center, with 100 percent of tournament proceeds going to this organization.

The Christian Service Center is a volunteer based organization that helps people in the Gulf Shores and Orange Beach area during financial emergencies. They also provide a wide range of other services including meals on wheels, the summer food program for children, and managing the local food pantry.

To sign up to play in this event or for sponsorship information, please contact Anthony Vaughn, club manager of Peninsula Golf and Racquet Club, by calling 251.968.8009.

GSES earns $450K grant for after school programs

During the early summer, Gay James (Music Teacher and After School Care Coordinator), Dr. Alicia Daugherty (Assistant Principal), and Dr. Nicky Gotschall (PTO President) **(pictured above)** worked on a federal grant for Gulf Shores Elementary School.

Recently, they found out they were one of the schools in the state awarded the grant, which will allow the school's after school care program to receive $150,000 a year for three consecutive years. The after school care program will now be able to provide a plethora of activities for students, as well as they will also be participating in service learning projects titled 'Operation: Turtles Rock!' and 'When In Doubt, Don't Throw It Out!' which focuses on recycling.

Fraternal Order of Eagles collecting food for pantries

Join the Coastal Alabama Fraternal Order of Eagles for the People Helping Pantries Food Drive for our community. All donations will benefit local food pantries. Drop off non-perishable food items every Saturday in October from 2 - 6 p.m. at the club, located at 3859 Gulf Shores Parkway, Suite 6 in Gulf Shores. Together we can fight hunger in our community.

Perdido Key.
• **Flora-Bama Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; Flora-Bama Loung Tent Stage; Perdido Key.
• **15th Annual Gulf Shores Woman's Club Fashion Show:** 10 a.m.; Craft Farms Golf Resort; (251) 233-2440.
• **Vanilla Oatmeal Stout Firkin Tapping:** 6; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.
• **The Blueberry Sessions Fall Concert Series presents Charlie Mars:** 6 p.m.; 12562 Mary Ann Beech Rd., Fairhope.
• **St. Peter's of Bon Secour Episcopal Church Fish Fry:** 5-7 p.m.; 6270 Bon Secour Hwy.
• **Coastal Birdfest:** various Baldwin County locations; alabamacoastalbirdfest.com.
• **Open Mic:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
• **Alabama Lightning:** 6:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.
• **Jim Andrews:** 6; The Courtyard at Sanroc Cay, Orange Beach.
• **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• **Adam Holt:** 5; LuLu's; Gulf Shores.
• **Knee Deep:** 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
• **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• **LeeAnn Creswell & Lisa Zanghi:** 6; Franco's Italian Restaurant, Orange Beach.
• **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **Rick Whaley & Tommy Mazullo:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
• **Karaoke:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
• **Karaoke:** 8; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
• **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
• **8 Ball APA:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
• **Cornhole Tourney:** 6; Moe's BBQ; Foley.
• **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.
• **Grief Support Group:** noon-1:30 p.m.;

Foley Garden Club Field Trip: The Foley Garden Club recently enjoyed a field trip to the Crenshaw Farms Daylily Garden in Bay Minette. Diane Crenshaw spoke to the club about daylilies and gave a demonstration on how to grow and care for daylilies. We learned that dayliillies are very easy to care for and live in the garden for many years. For more information about the garden club and meeting dates, call Linda Ford at 251-972-8721. **Pictured:** Standing left to right are Gayle Floyd, Kathleen McVey, Diane Crenshaw, Donna Johnston, and Dwannah Childress. Sitting left to right are Donna Burnham, club visitor, Frannie, Linda Ford, and Lynn Nelson.

OBES Supply Drive For Hurricane Harvey Victims: Orange Beach Elementary School recently conducted a school-wide OBES Marlin Supply Drive for Hurricane Harvey victims in Texas. Supplies were picked up Friday 9/8/17 and scheduled to be shipped to Texas the following week. OBES was able to collect may supplies for the drive. Specifically: diapers, baby wipes, and bottled waters were collected for those in need in Texas for the OBES Marlin Supply Drive.

What's Happening

Orange Beach Yards of the Month: The Orange Beach Garden Club's Residental Yard of the Month award was presented by Paula Revis to owners Brad and Kim at 4511 Anchor Lane **(above).** Their yard is a paradise of many beautiful beds of knock out roses and varieties of palms. The Orange Beach Garden Club's goes to Phoenix On The Bay at 27549 Canal Road. Lush greenery and manicured grounds enhance the natural landscaping. **(below)** Judy with Brett Robinson accepted the award presented by Paula Revis of OBGC.

First Presbyterian Church of Foley; 195 E. Berry Ave.; for all who are grieving; 943-8325.

- **Adult Bible Study:** 10 a.m.; Gulf Shores Presbyterian Church; all welcome; (251) 968-7720.
- **Gulf Shores Library Pre-school (3-5) Story Time:** 10:30 a.m.; 251-968-1176.
- **Orange Beach Bridge Club**: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; 251-981-3440.
- **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.

FRI, OCT 6

- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; Flora-Bama Loung Tent Stage; Perdido Key.
- **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 6; Franco's; Orange Beach.
- **4th Annual Knights of Columbus Million Dollar Shootout Golf Tourney:** 11 a.m.; Craft Farms; (205) 999-5802.
- **Coastal Birdfest:** various Baldwin County locations; alabamacoastalbirdfest.com.
- **Scott Koehn & Lisa Zanghi:** 6; The Courtyard at Sanroc Cay, Orange Beach.
- **Albert Simpson:** 5; LuLu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Wiley P.:** 6; Margarita Loca Bar & Grill, Gulf Shores.
- **First Friday Art Walk:** 6; Downtown Fairhope.
- **Live Karaoke in the Tiki Bar:** 6; Live Bait, Orange Beach.
- **Pumpkin Patch Express and Scary Night Train:** 5-9 p.m.; Wales West, Summerdale; 251-232-2322.
- **Crosstown:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Scott Koehn / Lisa Zanghi Duo: 6;** San Bar Courtyard, Orange Beach.
- **Open Juke Box:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Music Man & Company:** 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **Rhonda Hart & Friends:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
- **DJ-Karaoke:** 9; The Jellyfish, Perdido Key.
- **Karaoke:** 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.

What's Happening

Post 99 Certificates Of Appreciation: Commander Ed Chavis of Post 99 recently presented American Legion Certificate of Appreciation to two volunteers and a Commander's Appreciation Award to Legionnaire Chris Carver, the post's public information officer, editor and publisher of the Post 99 Monthly Calendar and Newsletter and a member of the Executive Committee.

Earning a Certificates of Achievement was Dan Tucci for his unselfish support to the post in areas that required his electrical knowledge and skills to fix, repair or install electrical equipment to code to keep the post functioning. Dan is not eligible to become a member of the American Legion but is willing to assist often without being asked.

A Certificate of Appreciation also went to Frank Schweiger for his willingness to keep American Legion Post 99 grounds trimmed and groomed using his own equipment, time, and expense to present a good appearance to the Community. Frank is not eligible to become a member of the American Legion and we thank him for his willingness to serve the post in this manner.

Carver was honored for his efforts to keep the Post 99 family and Community informed on Post 99 activities.

- **Terry Causey:** 6:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.
- **Open Jam:** 8, American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- **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.

SAT, OCT 7

- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Honeybee Festival and 5K Run/Fun Run:** 8 a.m. til; Honeybee Park; Robertsdale.
- **The 6th annual Festival of Flavor:** noon-5 p.m.; 112 W. Laurel Ave.; Foley.
- **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 6; Franco's; Orange Beach.
- **Live Karaoke in the Tiki Bar:** 6; Live Bait, Orange Beach.
- **Pumpkin Patch Express and Scary Night Train:** 5-9 p.m.; Wales West, Summerdale; 251-232-2322.
- **Waterway Village Art Market:** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Waterway Village, 116 E. 21st Ave., Gulf Shores.
- **DJ-Karaoke:** 9; The Jellyfish, Perdido Key.
- **Blenders:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Albert Simpson:** 5; LuLu's; Gulf Shores.
- **John Brust:** 6; Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke By Kelly:** 9: Island Time Daquari Bar, The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- **Two of Hearts:** 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke:** 8; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **Jason Abel Project:** 9; The Office, Foley.
- **Flip Flop Mafia:** 7; Flippers, Orange Beach.
- **Open Jam:** 8; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Midnight Confessions:** 7:30; Nolan's, Gulf Shores.
- **Coastal Alabama Farmer's & Fisherman's Market:** 9-2; 20733 Miflin Rd., Foley.

WWII Memories Exhibit opens Oct. 18 at Baldwin Co. Heritage Museum

The Baldwin County Heritage Museum's World War I & World War II - Memories of Baldwin County Exhibit, will open on Oct. 18. The Exhibit will be on display through December. It is part of the 200 Alabama Bicentennial celebration.

The Exhibit features the role Baldwin County played in both Wars, from individuals serving our country to the Navy Fields that trained future pilots, the top secret "Operation Ivory Soap" that took its training at the Grand Hotel, and the Homefront. The Homefront includes the two satellite Prisoner of War Camps located in the county, U-boats in the Gulf of Mexico, War rations, sewing with feed sacks, and includes post-War "Ghost Fleet" of Liberty and Victory ships once mothball in the Mobile Delta. On Friday, October 20, the formal opening will be held at the museum from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. with light refreshments. Call 251-986-8375 to RSVP and for more information. The Baldwin County Heritage Museum operating hours are from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. and is located at 25521 Highway 98 E.; Elberta, AL. BCMH is a member owned, non-profit 501c3 organization.

Pictured: Exhibition boards with Baldwin Co. men who men who served in WWII, including Knute Jensen, Navy, from Miflin; Arnold T. Wilson, Jr., Army, from Robertsdale; Henry Stevens Levens, Navy from Robertsdale; Joseph E. Cook, Navy from Foley.

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What's Happening

Community invited to St. Andrew by Sea Wed. family nights

Saint Andrew by the Sea, located at 17263 Fort Morgan Rd. in Gulf Shores will be hosting family nights complete with dinner every Wednesday evening beginning on Sept. 6. Dinner will be served by church volunteers at 5:45 p.m. with children's activities and an adult bible study to follow at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome, and dinner is provided (no pot luck).

For more info, call Sara Hunter at 678-361-2762.

Women Against Rape & Domestic Violence fundraiser Oct. 14

Women Against Rape & Domestic Violence will host its second annual fundraiser on October 14 at American Legion Post #33, 1401 W. Intendencia St. in Pensacola. Doors open at 6 p.m. and showtime is at 8 p.m. Acts include Will Easley, Raven Salve, Sential, Andre Williams, Little BB, Lady J, DJ Southern Soul and the Silvertone Summer Band. Tickets are $10 in advance and $15 at the door. Tickets can be purchased at The Gathering Awareness and Book Center, 314 N. DeVilliers St. or at warondv.org. Call 850-293-2063 or 850-463-0578 for information.

• **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, OCT 8

• **The Church at the Flora-Bama:** 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Flora-Bama Tent Stage, Perdido Key.
• **Unity Church Beach Service:** 9:45 a.m; Papa Roccos, Hwy. 59 - one block from beach in Gulf Shores.
• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• **Customer Appreciation Night:** 6; Free food; 1st drink free; 25% off gift shop; Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• **Cadillac Attack:** 5; LuLu's; Gulf Shores.
• **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 6; Franco's; Orange Beach.
• **Couples Sunday 2-Person Scramble:** Every Sun. at 2 p.m.; Glenlakes Golf Club, Foley, (251) 955-1220.
• **Pumpkin Patch Express and Scary Night Train:** 1-9 p.m.; Wales West, Summerdale; 251-232-2322.
• **Scott Koehn:** 5:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.
• **John Lee Sanders:** 6; The Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• **Southern Star:** 5; Monthly Birthday Potluck; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
• **Music Man & Company:** 5; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
• **Gary Story:** 5; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
• **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.
• **AA:** 5 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

MON, OCT 9

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m.

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I've had a change of heart about jack crevalle

As for jack crevalle, I've had a change of heart. Don't get me wrong about the fish that is prevalent in the south ends of the bays and beachfront waters this time of year, jack crevalle still provide some of the best drag-stripping fun around.

Where my mind was changed was in the food value. Previously, jack crevalle was one of those species that was hooked for the fight only. When the fight was over, a picture was taken and the fish tossed back in the water.

Chef Haikel Harris of Flora-Bama Yacht Club and Chef Chris Sherrill of SALT at SanRoc Cay have totally changed my mind about eating jack crevalle. The flesh of the jack crevalle is definitely red. Not bonita red, but red nonetheless.

What Harris and Sherrill discovered was that if you treat the red meat like other red meat, the result is a delicious treat. The top loins (shoulders) of the fish are cut into 1.5-inch squares and sprinkled with your favorite steak seasoning (of course, the chefs do a much more elaborate seasoning blend, but Montreal works, too), and toss in your favorite marinade for a few hours.

Take skewers and make kabobs. Add onions and peppers if you desire to the kabob and then plop them on a hot grill. Sear nicely but don't overcook. Slightly pink in the middle is perfect. Drizzle with garlic butter while the kabobs are cooking.

Of course, you've got to catch one before you start thinking about cooking one. This time of year, the jack crevalle can be anywhere. The main tactic is to keep your eyes peeled for the feeding frenzy that happens when the jacks surround a school of menhaden or other bait fish. The water turns to a froth, and if you toss a bait in the middle, you're sure to get hooked up.

As most experienced anglers on the Alabama Coast know, it's best to be prepared when you head out on the water this time of year. If you're speckled trout fishing with 12-pound test line, you need to carry along a heavier spinning rod and reel loaded with 20-pound test line if you spot a school of jacks.

If you've got a cast net, add a few pogeys (menhaden) to the livewell before you head out. When you spot the school, hook the bait through the lips and toss it in the middle of the schooling fish. If your cast is true, a jack will grab it. If you don't have live bait, just toss anything that looks like a baitfish into the middle of the school and hang on.

A good drag system on your reel may be the most important factor when fighting a jack, which will make a line-stripping run when it feels the hook. If the drag system can't handle the pressure, your line won't either. If the drag is in good order, you'll have to hang on and wear the fish down, pumping and reel when the fish gives ground. After several runs, the fish will begin to tire, but once it sees the boat, it's likely to zoom away again. He won't have much left after that, and you can bring him alongside the boat. If you're going to try some for dinner, you can gaff the fish. If you don't have a gaff or want to release the fish, grab it by the tail and quickly swing it in the boat.

If you're going to eat the jack, Harris and Sherrill recommend bleeding the fish by cutting off its tail.

The folks in the Caribbean and South America have been eating jack crevalle for many, many years, so we've got a lot of catching up to do with this abundant species.

David Rainer has written about the great outdoors on the Alabama Gulf Coast for more than 20 years. The outdoors editor at the Mobile Press-Register for 14 years, he is past president of the Southeastern Outdoor Press Association and currently serves on the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council's Outreach and Education Advisory Panel and the Alabama Gulf Coast Reef & Restoration Foundation

Foley United Methodist Fish-Fry slated Oct. 6

Foley United Methodist Church will host a fish-fry that is open to the public on Friday, October 6 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the church's Spirit Center, located at 901 North Pine St. in Foley. The meal includes deep fried white fish with homemade coleslaw, baked beans, hush puppies, dessert and drink. For more information or directions call Foley United Methodist Church at 943-4393.

Call for vol. maintenance workers at Bon Secour Refuge

Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge is seeking volunteer maintanence workers. This position requires tasks such as cutting grass, trail maintenance, painting, and operating tools and heavy equipment. Candidates of all skillsets are encouraged to fill out an application. If interested, please stop in the Refuge Office Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or send an email to bonsecour@fws.gov.

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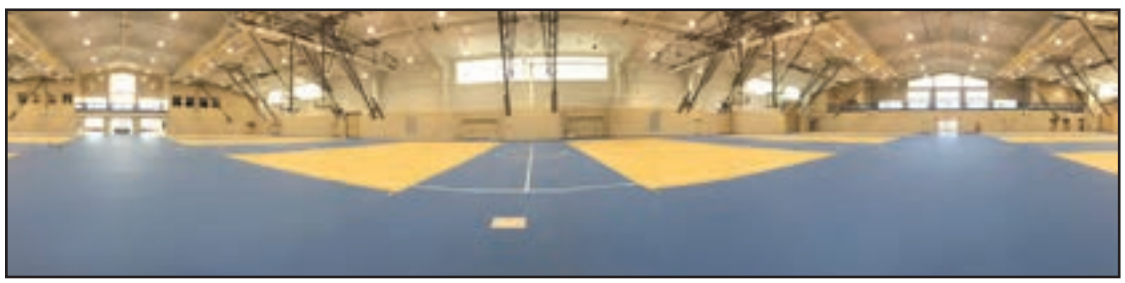
- **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.
- **Brent Burns:** 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Frankie G & LeaAnn Creswell:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
- **Bingo:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **L.A. Fleet Feet Running Club:** 6 p.m.; Orange Beach Marina on Marina Rd.; lafleetfeet.com.
- **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, OCT 10

- **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.
- **Frankie G On Piano:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; Orange Beach.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 8; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Ronnie Presleiy:** 5; LuLu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Sam Glass:** 6: The Purple Parrot, Perdido Key.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke w. John Henry:** 5:30; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
- **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.
- **Karaoke:** 5; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.
- **Coastal Alabama Farmer's & Fisherman's Market:** 2-6 p.m.; 20733 Miflin Rd., Foley.
- **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.
- **L.A. Fleet Feet Running Club:** Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at Kids Park by Bodenhamer Rec. Center; 5K, 10K, or walk; Info: visit lafleetfeet.com.
- **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; 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;



Foley Event Center open for tours on Sept. 28

After being under construction for more than a year, the Foley Event Center is finally opening its doors to the public. On September 28, the public will be able to tour the building and see all the space has to offer. The day starts with media only hours from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon cutting immediately following. The facility will have tours open to the public from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Visitors can stick around after the tours for the USPCA K-9 Trials free demonstration at the Foley Sports Tourism Complex championship field. The demonstration starts at 6:30 p.m. but visitors are encouraged to arrive at 6 p.m. to see all the police vehicles enter with lights and sirens. They will see the top dogs in categories including agility and bite work, show off their skills. For more information on the Foley Event Center Grand Opening or the K-9 police trials, contact Manager of Marketing and Communications, Stephanie Donald at 251-970-3042.

On September 8-10 the center hosted its first event, with more than 500 gymnasts in town for the Bounders Beach Bash. Though this was the first time the building was open, next week the public will be given the chance to walk behind the scenes and see firsthand all the state-of-the-art features the Foley Event Center has to offer. Interim Director of Foley Sports Tourism Complex, David Thompson said it's a day the city department has been looking forward to for a while. "We are incredibly excited to share this facility with the public," Thompson said. "The Foley Event Center was built to improve the quality of life in our city, both through generating tourism dollars and giving our residents the opportunity to see world-class sporting events. Next week we finally get to share it with them."

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TOUT FIRKIN : 10/5: 6:00pm
LIVE MUSIC: Johnny No, 10/6: 6:30-9:30pm
LIVE MUSIC: Rex, 10/7: 6:30-9:30pm
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What's Happening

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• **Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon:** Breakfast meeting each Tuesday at 7:30 a.m.; speaker first three Tuesdays and a business meeting the fourth Tuesday; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola, 262-749-4241.

• **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, OCT 11

• **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.

• **Rat Pack to Motown favorites J.P. and Kathy Lyons:** 6; Franco's; Orange Beach.

• **Open Mic Night:** 5:30; Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.

• **Frankie G On Piano:** 6:30; Franco's Italian Restaurant; 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.

• **John Cowart:** 5; LuLu's; Gulf Shores.

• **Lisa Zanghi & Scott Koehn:** 6:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.

• **Big Beach Running Club:** 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; all levels welcome.

• **Karaoke:** 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.

Perdido Key Rotary Club hosts Operation Reconnect fundraiser

The Perdido Key Rotary Club recently hosted a Low Country Boil/Silent Auction for Operation Reconnect at the Flora-Bama Lounge. The shrimp boil was preceeded by The Walk The Line For Veterans sponsored by the Volksmarch Club. Operation ReConnect is a local charity that provides vacations for military families following combat deployments. The funds will be used to provide beach-front accommodations for 7-nights free to the families of returning Armed Services members in every branch and rank. The charity is currently raffling a one-of-a-kind, custom-built, hand-painted 2017 Jeep Wrangler to raise funds. The drawing will be on Veteran's Day and the jeep is currently on display at the Fora-Bama. Tickets for the Jeep of Faith raffle are $20 for 1; $100 for 6 or $500 for 35. Tickets are on sale at the Flora-Bama Gift Shop, the Operation Re-Connect table at the 'Bama, at operationreconnect.org or facebook or by calling 251-301-6808.

What's Happening

• **John Joiner & Friends:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
• **Karaoke & Dance Party:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
• **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 8; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
• **Trivia (7:30) 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.
• **Bingo:** 7; Moe's BBQ; Foley.
• **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 intterested 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, OCT 12

• **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.

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GSMS Sweet Potato Cook-Off Winners: Congratulations to the GSMS Sweet Potato Cook-Off Winners! **Pictured:** (l to r) The first place winner was Taylor Bailey with her Sweet Potato Cupcake, the second place winner was Dylan Powell with his Sweet Potato Pound Cake, and the third place winner was Shyla Jennings with her Supreme Sweet Potato Muffins.

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- **Open Mic:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- **Lefty Collins:** 5; LuLu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Jeff Farrow:** 6; The Courtyard at Sanroc Cay, Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Alabama Lightning:** 6:30; Flippers, 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.
- **Raising Karma:** 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Rick Whaley & Tommy Mazullo:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
- **LeeAnn Creswell & Lisa Zanghi:** 6; Franco's Italian Restaurant, Orange Beach.
- **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.
- **Cornhole Tourey:** 6; Moe's BBQ; Foley.
- **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; 251-981-3440.
- **Gulf Shores Library Pre-school (3-5) Story Time:** 10:30 a.m.; 251-968-1176.
- **Western Gate Chapter of the Florida Trail Association Monthly Meeting:** 6:30 p.m. Monthly meeting; visitors welcome. Details: (850) 932-0125 or westgate.floridatrail.org
- **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

FRI, OCT 13

• **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.
• **Pumpkin Patch Express and Scary Night Train:** 5-9 p.m.; Wales West, Summerdale; 251-232-2322.
• **Little Shop of Horrors:** 7:30 p.m.; South Baldwin Community Theatre, Gulf Shores.
• **National Shrimp Festival:** 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Gulf Shores Public Beach.
• **Live Karaoke in the Tiki Bar:** 6; Live Bait, Orange Beach.
• **Wes Loper:** 6; The Courtyard at Sanroc Cay, Orange Beach.
• **Bruni & Danny:** 6:30; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
• **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 6; Franco's; Orange Beach.
• **Rhonda Hart & Friends:** 6; The Purple Parrot; Perdido Key.
• **Rex:** 7; The Office, Foley.
• **Moderate Chop:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
• **John Lee Sanders:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• **Midnight Confessions:** 7:30; Nolan's, Gulf Shores.
• **Music Man & Company:** 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
• **DJ-Karaoke:** 9; The Jellyfish, Perdido Key.
• **Open Jam:** 8; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
• **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
• **Karaoke:** 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach.

Art into Words patrons raise $5K for SBCT, GCAA

Patrons attending the recent Art into Words, a cultural evening celebrating different mediums and interpretations of art, at the Erie Meyer Civic Center in Gulf Shores, raised more than $5,000 for the Gulf Coast Arts Alliance and the South Baldwin Community Theatre. The event paired five artists with five playwrights who wrote a short play based on that particular piece of art. The artist/playwright pairings included Susan McCollough/Laurent Deshazo, Craig Reynolds/Jean Sansing, Steve Dark/Jonathan Hinnen, Tommy Vogel/Laura Pfizenmayer and Greg Cartmell/Rio Barlow.

What's Happening

• **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.

SAT, OCT 14

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• **Little Shop of Horrors:** 7:30 p.m.; South Baldwin Community Theatre, Gulf Shores.
• **National Shrimp Festival:** 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Gulf Shores Public Beach.
• **Pumpkin Patch Express and Scary Night Train:** 5-9 p.m.; Wales West, Summerdale; 251-232-2322.
• **Rat Pack & Motown w. James Proctor & Kathy Lyons:** 6; Franco's; Orange Beach.
• **Light Travelers:** 5; LuLu's; Gulf Shores.
• **Live Karaoke in the Tiki Bar:** 6; Live Bait, Orange Beach.
• **Platinum Premier:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
• **John Brust:** 6; Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• **Karaoke By Kelly:** 9: Island Time Daquari Bar, The Wharf, Orange Beach.
• **Flip Flop Mafia:** 7; Flippers, Orange Beach.
• **John Henry Karaoke:** 9; The Office, Foley.
• **Karaoke:** 8; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
• **DJ-Karaoke:** 9; The Jellyfish, Perdido Key.
• **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
• **Midnight Confessions:** 7:30; Nolan's, Gulf Shores.
• **Open Jam:** 8; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
• **Two of Hearts:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
• **Coastal Alabama Farmers and Fishermans Market:** 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.; 20733 Miflin Rd. (County Rd. 20), Foley.
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ONGOING EVENTS

• **Coastal Alabama Pickleball Club:** Sun., Tue., Wed., Thu., Sat. in Gulf Shores; Info & Schedule: 619-321-7325.
• **Gulf Coast Arts Alliance Gallery:** 225 East 24th Ave. in the Waterway Village neighborhood of Gulf Shores; 30 local and regional artists have their works on display; 251-948-2627 or gulfcoastartsalliance.com.
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Business Briefs

Team Buzzcatz Going To World Food Championship: BuzzCatz Coffee & Sweets is proud to announce that **Juanita Hendrix**, one of their managers, will be competing in the World Food Championships November 14 through November 18 at The Wharf in Orange Beach with a chance to win a $300,000 prize purse and the title. BuzzCatz' team is one of about 500 from across the world who will be seeking the ultimate food crown. Hendrix earned her spot with her Southern Fried Dog: a Nathan hot dog wrapped in Conecuh Bacon with ButterKase cheese, sauteed jalapeno, onions, garlic and fried green tomatoes, topped with Wild Bill's Sauce.

"I am very proud to be representing BuzzCatz Coffee & Sweets in this renowned competition," stated Juanita Hendrix. "I am so thankful for the love and support I have received from my team members and the creativity I am allowed to experience in my job."

Goode Realty, LLC opens in O.B.: Goode Realty announces the opening of its first Orange Beach office under the direction of **Claudette Gable**, Broker and owners **Asa & Lauren Goode**, all experienced real estate professionals on the Alabama Gulf Coast. Demand for vacation homes and investment properties along the gulf coast remained strong in 2016and continues to grow in 2017. Gable, with over 11 years as managing broker in Orange Beach, will be the qualifying broker. "I am proud to be associated with Goode Realty. Our agents will enjoy the best support and marketing tools in order to build their business in a climate of 'customer first service," she said. Goode Realty has already hired many great agents with over 125 years' experience.

Former Alabama AD Bill Battle To Speak In Gulf Shores: Bill Battle, the former athletic director at Alabama, will address Gulf Shores Athletic Club members and guests atteh club's Oct. 9 meeting in the Palmer Dining Room at Craft Farms Gulf Club.

Battle **(pictured)** announced his retirement this past January to assume a new role as Special Assistant to the President. Battle had led the Crimson Tide athletics department since March of 2013, when he succeeded the late Mal Moore.

GCAC Social hour starts at 6 p.m., and guests are always welcome. Social time is followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the program at 7 p.m.

The Gulf Coast Athletic Club meets eight times during college football season anda hosts an annual spring golf tournament. Dues, $200 per season, includes a great dinner, team reports, high school student athlete recognitions, and entertaining speakers. Call David DeMeyer at 404-386-9859 or david.d.demeyer@ gmail.com for additional info.

Juanita Hendrix; Claudette Gable; Bill Battle

GCAC is a non-profit social organization supporting Gulf Shores athletic programs by providing equipment, supplies and scholarships. Since 1999, the GCAC has provided more than $160,000 in benefits to our local youth & athletic programs.

SBRMC Obtains Arthroplasty Surgical Table: South Baldwin Regional Medical Center recently obtained the Hana® Hip and Knee Arthroplasty Surgery Table – the only surgical table designed exclusively for hip and knee arthroplasty. During August, Dr. Jay Savage performed the first anterior approach hip replacement procedure at South Baldwin Regional Medical Center.

With its unique capability to position the leg, the Hana® table enables the surgeon to replace the hip through a single incision, without detachment of muscle from the pelvis or femur. The table allows for safe hyperextension, adduction, and external rotation of the leg for femoral component placement – a positioning option not possible with conventional tables. The Hana® table incorporates a patented femoral lift and support system enhancing femoral exposure for improved component placement. The lack of disturbance to the lateral and posterior soft tissues provides immediate stability of the hip after surgery. The Anterior Approach surgery procedure for hip replacement is a technique that minimizes the pain and time from surgery to recovery. The Anterior Approach allows the surgeon to reach the hip joint from the front of the hip as opposed to the lateral (side) or the posterior (back) approach. In this way, the surgeon can simply work through the natural interval between muscles.

press Bend Blvd. (at the McCollough Institute in Gulf Shores); 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday; admission free; weekends with appointments; 251-967-7677.

- **Daily Guided Tours of Ft. Morgan:** 10-11 a.m. daily in June & July; Fort Morgan State Historic Site, 18 miles west of Hwy. 59 on Ft. Morgan Rd. (Hwy. 180); 251-540-5257.
- **Old River Optimist Club:** Monthly meeting locations and times are available online at OldRiverOptimistClub.org or by email at HelpingKids@OldRiverOptimistClub.org.
- **Swift-Coles Historic Home:** Located at 17424 Swift Coles Lane in Bon Secour; open for tours Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. last tour at 3 p.m. Adults-$10; Children 6-12-$5; Under 6 Free; Sandy Forsman, 251-949-5550.
- **Orange Beach Indian & Sea Museum:** Discover local history including Indian culture and the importance of fishing to the area. Free admission.
- **Baldwin County Heritage Museum:** 25521 Highway 98, Elberta, 10am-3pm, Wednesday-Saturday; free; exhibits that highlight the heritage of the area; 251-986-8375.
- **City of Foley Museum Archives and Model Train Exhibit:** All aboard for fun! Model trains are operated on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10am to 2pm. Free admission.
- **Mobile Bay Ferry**: (Seasonal) This auto/passenger ferry connects Fort Morgan to Dauphin Island. Call 251-540-7787 for rates and schedule.
- **Fort Morgan**: History echoes off brick walls at this pre-Civil War fort. Designed to control the shipping channel into Mobile Bay, today the mission is to share lessons from the past. Adults-$7; Child-$4; 65 and older-$5.
- **Gulf State Park Pier:** See what's biting with a visit to the longest pier on the Gulf of Mexico. Sight-seeing passes are available for those who don't want to drop a hook. Children under 12 admitted free with paying adult.
- **Hugh S. Branyon Backcountry Trails at Gulf State Park:** Hike or cycle into the wilderness of the Alabama Gulf Coast with trails that guide you along marshes, secondary sand dunes, swamps and creeks. Free.
- **U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla vessel safety examinations:** Arrange for a free examination by calling Wayne Kindred at 251-965-3100.
- **Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo:** downtown Gulf Shores, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. daily, 251-968-5731.
- **Baldwin Museum of Art:** 111 W. Laurel Ave. (Hwy.98) in Foley. Hours: 10am - 4pm. Monday through Friday (251) 970-1818. Admission is free.
- **The Hot Shop & The Clay Studio**: Classes, & workshops. Info: 251-981-ARTS.
- **Performing Arts Association**: exhibits by local artists; free; 119 West Laurel Ave. in Foley; 251-943-4381.
- **Gulf Shores Museum:** Special Exhibit-From Sea to Shining Sea: 200 Years of Charting America's Coast. Museum also features a backyard "Grandma's Garden," shrimping and hurricane picture exhibits and gift shop; 244 West 19th Ave., Gulf Shores; 251.968.1473
- **Big Lagoon State Park:** 'til dusk; 12301 Gulf Beach Hwy.; nature trails, beach, picnic area, scenic look-out; $4 admission; (850) 492-1595.
- **Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge**: 12295 State Hwy. 180 in Gulf Shores; Enjoy more than six miles of hiking trails and beach access. Open from sunrise to sunset; (251) 540-7720.

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Funny Bones

By George Ridder

"You see, doctor, I'm always dizzy for half an hour after I get up in the morning," said Carla.

"I have the solution for you," replied the doctor.

"Really, what is it?"

"Well, try getting up half an hour later."

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Waking into the lingerie store, the hard-of-hearing customer says to the clerk, "I'd like to buy a pair of stockings for my wife."

The clerk asks, "Sheer?"

And the man replies, "No, she is in another store."

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A bent-over old lady hobbled into a doctor's office. Within minutes, she came out again but miraculously, she was standing up as straight as could be.

A man in the waiting room, who had been watching her, said in amazement, "My goodness, what did the doctor do to you?"

The old lady replied, "He gave me a longer cane."

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Three vampires walk into a bar. The bartender looks at them suspiciously, but decides to serve them anyway. "What'll be, boys?"

The first vampire says, "Blood. Give me blood."

The second vampire says, "I too wish for blood!"

The third vampire says, "Give me plasma."

The Bartender smiles and says, "Got it. Two bloods and one bloodlight."

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I was trying to decide what to do for a talent show I planned to enter.

Trusting my mother to help me out, I asked, "For the talent show, what do you think I should do, sing or put on a comedy act?"

Glancing up from her paper, she said dryly, "What's the difference?"

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John: "Can you loan me a hundred dollars?"

Fred: "I don't have that much on me."

John: "Well, just give me what you have and you can owe me the rest."

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A weasel is dining at a Restaurant. He takes his seat and starts looking over the menu.

The waiter then asks, "What can I get you to drink, sir?"

"Oh, not much. Just a Diet Pop," goes the weasel.

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Customer: Waiter, Do you have any Wild Duck?

Waiter: No, but I can get a tame one and irritate it for you?

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Saturday morning I got up early, quietly dressed, made my lunch, and slipped quietly into the garage. I hooked up the boat up to the van and proceeded to back out into a torrential downpour. The wind was blowing 50 mph, so I pulled back into the garage, turned on the radio, and discovered that the weather would be bad all day.

I went back into the house, quietly undressed, and slipped back into bed. I cuddled up to my wife's back; now with a different anticipation, and whispered, "The weather out there is terrible."

My loving wife replied, "And, can you believe my stupid husband is out fishing in that?"

And that's how the fight started...

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My wife was hinting about what she wanted for our upcoming anniversary.

She said, "I want something shiny that goes from 0 to 150 in about 3 seconds."

I bought her a bathroom scale.

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More silly stuff to ponder...

• Did Roman paramedics refer to IV's as "4's"?

• Whose cruel idea was it for the word "Lisp" to have an "S" in it?

• What do little birdies see, when they get knocked unconscious?

• If a mute swears, does his mother wash his hands with soap?

• If someone with multiple personalities threatens to kill himself, is it considered a hostage situation?

• Instead of talking to your plants, if you yelled at them would they still grow, only to be troubled and insecure?

• What's another word for synonym?

• Isn't it a bit unnerving that doctors call what they do "practice"?

• When sign makers go on strike, is anything written on their signs?

• Why isn't there mouse-flavored cat food?

• What should you do when you see an endangered animal that is eating an endangered plant?

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If someone has a mid-life crisis while playing hide & seek...Do they automatically lose because they can't find themselves?

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A man was going bald and told his friends he was going to get a rabbit tattooed on his head as it was a lot cheaper than a toupée.

His friends asked how getting a rabbit tattooed on his head would help?

The man replied, "Well, at least from a distance it will look like hare."

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There were three men on a hill with their watches. The first man threw his watch down the hill and it broke. The second man threw his watch down the hill and it broke.

The third man threw his watch down the hill, walked all the way to the bottom, and caught it. The other two men were puzzled and asked the third man how he did it.

The third man said, "Easy. My watch is 5 minutes slow."

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How much does it cost a Pirate to get his ears pierced?

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Daughter: My fiancé said I could have whatever I wanted inscribed on his wedding ring. What should I put?

Mother: Put what I put on your father's wedding ring.

Daughter: What does it say. I've never seen daddy with it off.

Mother: Yes. It's worked very well over the years. It says, "Put it back on!"

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Music line-up released for P-Cola Seafood Fest

Headlining this year's Pensacola Seafood Festival on Saturday evening, Sept. 30 is The London Souls (**pictured**), who have been known as New York City's best-kept-secret since 2008. The band mixes funk, soul and contemporary psychedelia, and has influences from bands such as Cream, Led Zeppelin, The Beatles, The Hollies and My Morning Jacket. They will take the stage at the free fest at 9 p.m.

The fest begins Friday, Sept. 29 at 11 a.m. and continues all weekend in downtown Pensacola's Seville Square, Fountain Park and Bartram Park. For more information on the entertainment lineup, vendors, live cooking demonstrations and children's activities at this year's event, visit fiestaoffiveflags.org or call the Fiesta office, 850-433-6512.

Seafood Fest Lineup

Friday, September 29th
5:30p.m. – Troy Cartwright
7:30p.m. – Trea Landon
9:30p.m. – Brooke Eden
Saturday, September 30th
5:00p.m. – Blues Old Stand
7:30p.m. – Jordan Davis
9:00p.m. – The London Souls
Sunday, October 1st
1:30p.m. – Tyler Livingston & The Absolutes
3:30p.m. – Leah Seawright

Boys Ranch & GSWC Team Up To Clean Beaches: Ranchers from the Baldwin County Boys Ranch in Summerdale joined members of the Gulf Shores Woman's Club to clean portions of West Beach during the Coast Cleanup Day Saturday, September 16. This joint effort has become an annual event for the two groups. Gulf Shores Woman's Club members also support the Baldwin County Boys Ranch by helping them decorate the cottages at the Boys Ranch each Christmas. For additional information about Gulf Shores Woman's Club activities visit their Facebook page, Facebook.com/GFWC. For information about Boys and Girls Ranches in Alabama, go to boysandgirlfranches.org/baldwin.

Fraternal Order of Eagles are selling Boston Butts

The Coastal Alabama Fraternal Order of Eagles is selling delicious LA BBQ Boston Butts for $30 just in time for the Alabama–LSU football game on Saturday, Nov.4. The Boston butts come fully cooked and will be ready for pickup between 9 a.m. and noon on Nov. 4 at the club located at 3859 Gulf Shores Parkway, Suite 6, in Gulf Shores. Boston butts should be ordered before October 24, and paid in advance (cash or check payable to Coastal Alabama FOE #4549). Order yours today by stopping by the club during the following times: Tuesdays 5–8 p.m., Thursdays 2–8 p.m., and Saturdays (only in October) from 2–6 p.m.

Appalachian basket weaving workshop scheduled Oct. 9-11

The 6th annual Appalachian basket weaving workshop and chair bottoms too! will be on October 9-11 at the Art Hut located at 3450 Innerarity Pt. Rd. on Perdido Key, across from the Publix Shopping Center. If you do not have a chair of your own, a footstool kit will be provided (30.00). For further information please call Sherry Farrell at 615-4307677 or MJ Swartz at 850-4924284

30th Annual Alabama Coastal Cleanup

Members of the Gulf Shores Garden Club registering volunteers at Gulf Shores Public Beach were among the hundreds of volunteers participating in the 30th Annual Alabama Coastal Cleanup on September 16. In the event's first 29 years, more than 83,000 volunteers have removed more than 1.5 million pounds of trash from Alabama's valued coastline and waterways.

The event gives Baldwin residents the opportunity to give back to the environment and their surrounding communities by cleaning up along the coast and waterways and within their cities. Volunteers included community organizations, businesses, Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, individuals, school groups and families.

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Big Lagoon Kiwanis Donation: Big Lagoon Kiwanis Club President John Sevold presents Tina Wood, Perdido Futbol Club Secretary, with a check for $500 to support the club's youth soccer programs. The Kiwanians meet for breakfast at the Perdido Bay United Methodist Activity Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., in Pensacola at 7 a.m. on the 1st, 3rd, and 4th Tuesday each month. On the second Tuesday, the club hosts a social at the Lost Key Golf Club clubhouse at 5:30 p.m. For more club info, call 901-734-1055.

Volunteers needed to help recycle during TenSixtyFive Fest in Mobile

Volunteers are needed to help recycle at the TenSixtyFive Music Festival set for Friday, September 29 – Sunday, October 1 in downtown Mobile. Volunteers will set up and pick up recycling containers each day of the festival, empty the containers, and carry bags of recyclables to onsite trailers.

"This year's effort will be a little simpler than years prior because we no longer need to sort recyclables," said **Valerie Longa**, Eco-Team Coordinator for a Cleaner, Greener LoDa. "Thanks to the City's single stream recycling, it will be easier than ever to recycle plastic and aluminum at the event."

The 1065 Music Festival is a free event that welcomes the public to enjoy the outdoors and listen to nationally known artists. Blue clear-stream recycling containers will be placed throughout the festival grounds next to trash cans, and everyone attending the festival can help keep the event clean by disposing of recyclable materials in the proper containers.

"Our guests appreciate the opportunity to listen to music in a clean environment, and we appreciate the efforts of volunteers helping to recycle festival materials," said event coordinator **Amy Baldwin** with Gulf Distributing Holdings, LLC. "1065 wants to extend a HUGE Thank You to the Alabama Coastal Foundation and Thompson Engineering for funding this initiative for our community. Everyone's collaboration makes this event a success."

Thompson Engineering is sponsoring this year's recycling effort through a grant from the Thompson Foundation. The Alabama Department of Environmental Management will provide its recycling trailers to store and transport materials. Additionally, they will be set up in Cathedral Square conducting outreach and handing out fun swag. All volunteers must be at least 18 years of age to participate; volunteers will receive an Eco-Team t-shirt. Interested volunteers can sign up at the Alabama Coastal Foundation's website at joinACF.org. For further information about 1065's Eco-Team and volunteering, contact vlonga@joinACF.org or call 251-990-6002.

Cage The Elephant among Mobile's TenSixtyFive Fest headliners

Blackberry Smoke, Cage The Elephant & St. Paul & The Broken Bones will headline the 2nd Annual TenSixtyFive Festival, a free multi-day, multi-stage party on Dauphin St. in downtown Mobile the weekend of September 29, 30 and October 1!

- **Sept. 29:** Derek Norsworthy (5:15 p.m.); Muscadine Bloodline (6 p.m.); Riley Green (7:30 p.m.); Blackberry Smoke (9 p.m.)
- **Sept. 30:** Riverbend (4 p.m.); Elley Duhe (5:30 p.m.); Judah & The Lion (7 p.m.); Cage The Elephant (8:30 p.m.)
- **Oct. 1:** Colin Lake (2:15 p.m.); Slide Bayou (3:30 p.m.); Wet Willie (4:45 p.m); St. Paul & The Broken Bones (6:15 p.m.)

Chef Brodie Olive of Voyager's overall winner at Wharf Uncorked; Event raises $20K for Make-A-Wish

The fourth annual Wharf Uncorked Food & Wine Festival, presented by Wind Creek Atmore, welcomed nearly 1,000 visitors this weekend, and through their generosity, a total of $20,357.57 was raised for Make-A-Wish® Alabama – an organization devoted to granting wishes to children statewide with life-threatening medical conditions. Funds were raised through live and silent auctions, sponsored by CSpire, and the total amount was awarded to Make-A-Wish with a check presentation. "We've been able to surpass total funds raised year over year for Make-A-Wish, and we appreciate everyone's generosity toward such an influential cause," said Sheena Mizell, marketing manager at The Wharf. "A huge thank you goes to all attendees, chefs, judges and vendors who braved the heat with us and made this event a complete success."

During the Grand Tasting on Saturday, some of Alabama Gulf Coast's finest chefs competed in a cooking competition. Chef awards included:

- Award for Creativity: Driftwood Steakhouse, Chef Chris Kelly – Gulf Coast Boudin
- Award for Flavor: Cosmo's, Chef Rob Benson – Seared Scallops with Greens and Grits
- Award for Presentation: Blue Water BBQ Company, Chef Neil Schappert – Chicken and Ribs
- Award for Use of Ingredients: Cosmo's, Chef Rob Benson – Seared Scallops with Greens and Grits
- People's Choice Award, presented by Beach Ball Properties: Voyager's, Chef Brody Olive – Seared - Diver Scallop, Speck Polenta Gratin, Onion Agrodolce
- Grand Tasting Overall Winner: Voyager's, Chef Brody Olive **(pictured - top left)** – Seared Diver Scallop, Speck Polenta Gratin, Onion Agrodolce
- The golden ticket for the World Food Championship went to Chef Rob Benson of Cosmo's who will compete back at The Wharf in November for the ultimate title.

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10.14: ROADSIDE GLORIOUS | 3pm
10.14: HUNDRED DOLLAR CAR | 7pm
10.15: COREY REZNER | 4pm

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Pictures of the Week

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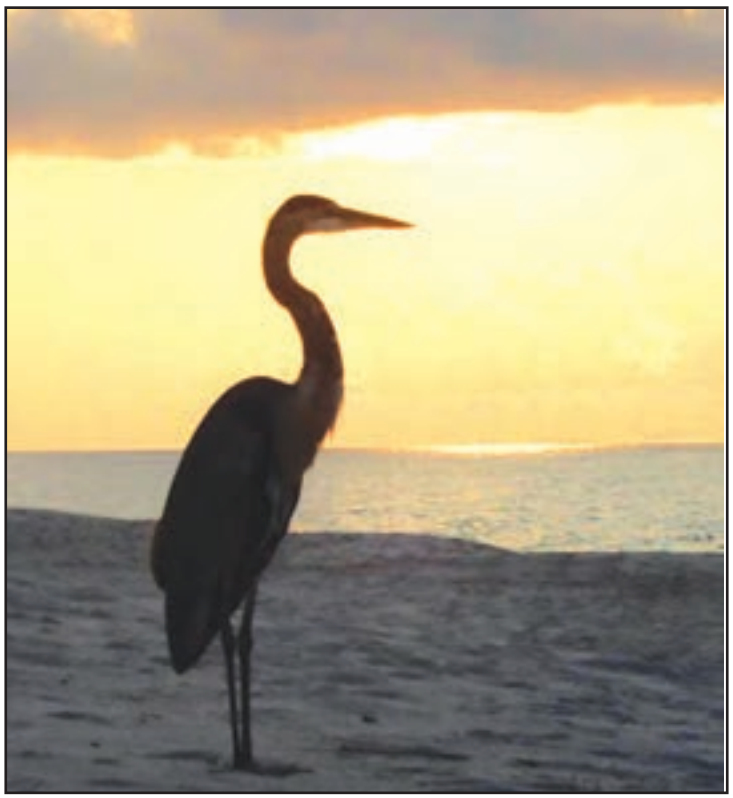
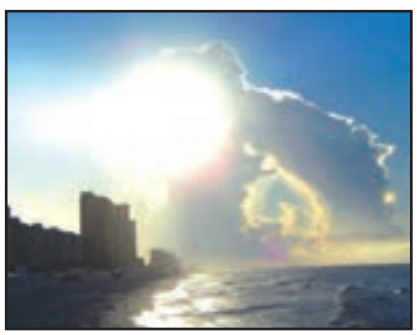
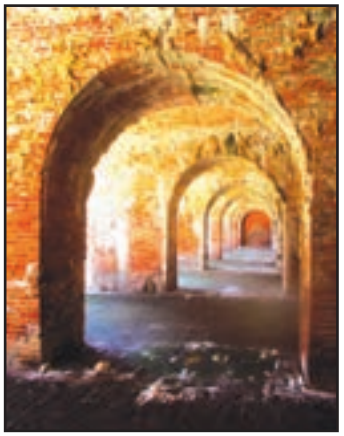
Gulf Shores' scenes from the keen eye of Steve Ward.



Mac McAleer and a feathered friend both enjoying a peaceful morning Gulfside.



Beach scenes submitted by Barry Comstock & Alma Boylan.



Margret Hildreth, a member of the Coastal Photo Club, shares favorite photos. Her club meets the fourth Tuesday of the month, at 7 p.m. at the Foley Sr. Citizens Center, located at the corner of Rose & Cypress Streets.

Immi Shea submitted these pictures as a celebration of Fall weather.

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Shared by Cindy Litsinger.

Bonnie Beam from Denton, Texas celebrated her 92 birthday by enjoying a recent sunset dolphin cruise. (Picture submitted by her niece, Pat Thornton).

Sherry Byrd shares picture of dinner and her hibiscus bush. caught in the 6th Ave. Canal and "Ernie" thinking about going for a boat ride.

Sun Flower by Danny Earl.

A beautiful Sunday Morning in Orange Beach from Maggie Warren.

"Showing off his stylish hairdo at the 2017 Baldwin County Fair," writes De Ann Roy.

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Around Town

Southwest Branch Library Book Club meets twice monthly

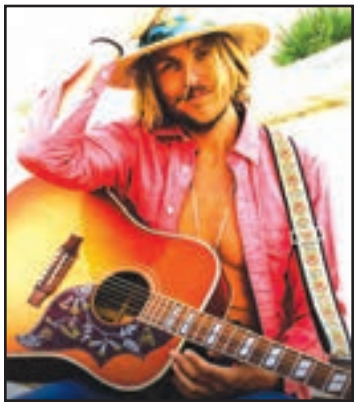
The Southwest Branch Library Book Club meets the first Tuesday morning and the second Saturday afternoon of the month. Pick the date that works best for you and join the monthly discussions from 2-3 p.m. Join this club for free for a friendly literary conversation and light refreshments. View a list of book club books at mywfpl.com/bookclubs. The libraray is located at 12248 Gulf Beach Hwy. (850-453-7780).

"Becoming Alabama" lectures in Oct. at USA's local campus

The University of South Alabama Gulf Coast Campus will host a series of lectures titled "Becoming Alabama" on Tuesdays, October 10, 17, and 24, from 1:30-3 p.m. at the USA-Gulf Coast Campus on County Road 6 in Gulf Shores.

This historical journey will cover Alabama's early inhabitants, Spanish exploration, and French settlements. It will be presented by John Jackson, Director of Foley Public Library. The series is sponsored by USA's Gulf Coast Campus and Center for Continuing Education to introduce their new institute-for-learning-in-retirement, Discover! An Adventure in Learning.

Information about 2018 Discover! An Adventure in Learning sessions will be available at the lectures. To register, call 251-460-7200.



Charlie Mars, Griffin House, Shelby Lynn & Allison Moorer to play at Fairhope's Weeks Bay Plantation

Weeks Bay Plantation is excited to announce its first ever fall concert series, The Blueberry Sessions. Teaming up with Hix Snedeker Companies and Skate Mountain Records, Weeks Bay Plantation will host the intimate three-part concert series featuring live musical performances from world-class Southern singers and songwriters set in the idyllic surroundings of the organic Fairhope farm.

Featured headliners include: Charlie Mars — Thursday, October 5th (Tickets $20); Shelby Lynne and Allison Moorer — Thursday, November 2nd (Tickets $30); Griffin House — Thursday, December 7th (Tickets $20).

The events will also include opening acts by up-and-coming artists newly signed by the Skate Mountain Records label. Doors will open at 6 p.m. with the concerts beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets are available online, at The Fairhope Store and Dr. Music Records, in downtown Fairhope. A limited number of season passes to all three events are also available for $70 and include early entry for priority seating.

Music has a special heritage in Alabama—from small town stages to the iconic recording studios of Muscle Shoals. If you love music—and the stories behind the songs—this is an event not to be missed!

Weeks Bay Plantation is located at 12562 Mary Ann Beech Road in Fairhope. For more information, visit weeksbayplantation.com.

The Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach grand opening is set for Sept. 28-29

By Jessica Langston

Since 1923 Wolf Bay breezes have flowed through the historic structure which was home to Orange Beach's first hotel, a fish camp, and finally the Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach. While the past three years have brought many changes, the beautiful, bayfront property has continued to feature local artwork, and live demonstrations in glass and clay. Now, the much-awaited, $2 million new fine arts gallery and children's studio is ready to open its doors and welcome the public inside.

A two day celebration is planned with a ribbon cutting, reception and open house to view the splendor of the new gallery and to catch a glimpse of all the exciting events the new facility will offer.

The reception will be 5:30-7:30 p.m. Sept 28 and the open house will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 29. Both will include fine art, music and refreshments as attendees get the opportunity to experience the venue in all its glory.

Desiree Blackwell, director of the Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach, expressed her joy about the facility's opening.

"We are so very pleased to finally share this stunning facility with the community," she said. "Our general contractor, Gates Builders, worked hard to make the vision of our architect Jacky Barganier become a reality. However, we would not be in this position of celebration if it were not for the complete support of our Orange Beach mayor and city council who believe in the arts and chose to fund this spectacular project. It truly is the crown jewel of Pleasure Island."

The art center will offer an elegant backdrop for weddings and special occasions, in addition to its business conference amenities and artistic endeavors.

She divulged that the facility will offer:

a 10,000-square-foot fine arts gallery, showcasing artists from the Gulf Coast area executive conference space with a custom 14' table featuring inlaid glass four acres of lush grounds with moss-draped oaks and scenic shoreline multiple buildings across the campus that include The Hot Shop glass-blowing facility; The Clay Studio for wheel-thrown and hand-built pottery lessons; and a classroom building for the After School Arts Program and adult art classes.

The art center is also home of the 44th Annual Festival of Art, a two-day celebration of the arts including fine art booths, musical and performance exhibitions, gourmet culinary fare, hands-on projects for children and much more. Other events include being part of the Frank Brown International Songwriters Festival, Hot Shop Blowouts throughout the year, artist receptions and special exhibits.

But the center offers plenty of opportunities for you to enjoy your own special events, too. If you're ready for an unforgettable wedding, family reunion, holiday party, field trip, retreat, conference or symposium, you're in for a real treat.

"We have already hosted several weddings and have many more scheduled," Blackwell said. "Brides love the breathtaking view and the many amenities we offer them for their special day. We are all about southern hospitality."

The art center has been known to offer exciting field trips and business outings for many years, as well, and the possibilities are increasing exponentially. The classroom studio can be used as a small conference center or lecture hall, and the executive suite on the second floor of the gallery building presents a stunning setting for meetings and brainstorming sessions.

The gallery itself will feature movable art walls so that the space can be re-designed to fit every event, from large summits to intimate gatherings.

Blackwell said she's thrilled to be a part of this rich history and exciting future.

"I feel very blessed to be involved with this part of the Coastal Arts Center journey," she explained. "The art center property has a deep history in Orange Beach, beginning as a boarding-house-style hotel built in 1923 serving the men in the turpentine industry, and ending as a fishing camp for the devoted anglers who love our waters. The art center itself has had passionate leadership in the past, and I feel no less passion as we move forward with this amazing new gallery. We plan to do special things here and can't wait for the community to stop by and see what all the fuss is about."

The Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach is located at 26389 Canal Road, Orange Beach. For more information, call 251-981-ARTS (2787) or visit CoastalArtsCenter.com.

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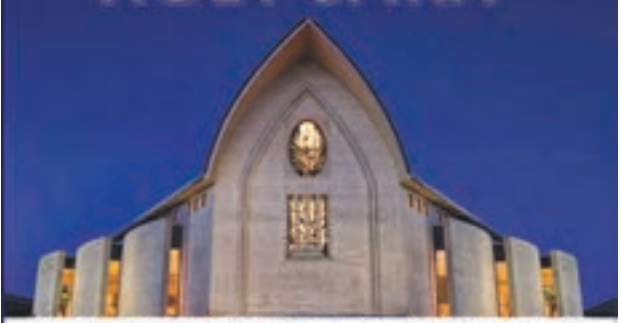
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By appointment at our Orange Beach recording studio; 25823 Canal Rd. in Orange Beach; call Top Hat; 251-609-7907; also demo recording and cd duplication.

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Massage therapist needed for Eden Spa & Salon; Call 251-981-8600 and ask for Pam.

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Men and women interested in helping the community are needed by the Innerarity Point Volunteer Fire Department. For more info, call the station at 492-0544.

PANINI PETE'S/SUNSET POINTE
Now Hiring for all positions: Sunset Pointe at Fly Creek Marina and Panini Pete's Fairhope. Call for details and apply in person!

25th annual Weeks Bay Native Plant Sale Oct. 12-15

The 25th annual Weeks Bay Native Plant Sale will be held on Thursday, October 12 through Sunday, October 15, from 9 am to 4 pm each day. The plant sale will again be located at Safe Harbor at Weeks Bay, across U.S. Highway 98 from the Reserve Interpretive Center.

The plant sale, which benefits projects at Weeks Bay Reserve, is a great opportunity to purchase beautiful native plants, and to learn the benefits of using natives in their landscapes.

Experts, including the Baldwin County Master Gardeners, will be on-hand to answer questions and to suggest the best selections for various growing conditions. Plants will be available for all landscaping needs, including hummingbird and butterfly attractors, species for shade or sun, salt tolerance, dunes, and various wet areas,

Maureen Nation, the Coordinator of Volunteers at Weeks Bay Reserve, says, "Native plants are easy to maintain, with fewer pesticides, they are adapted to our soils and to our summer heat, and natives are beautiful." She goes on to say, "We are anxious to show-off the wonderful diversity of our native trees, shrubs, and perennials in the landscape. Their beautiful flowers, varied heights, shapes and textures are as good as any plants on the market. Since natives are at home in our natural habitats, they also provide food and shelter for birds, butterflies and other creatures we love to see in our yards. "

For additional information about the plant sale, call Weeks Bay Reserve at 928-9792.

Pictured: Passion Flower; Native Azalea; Oak Leaf Hydrangea- Alabama's state wildflower

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