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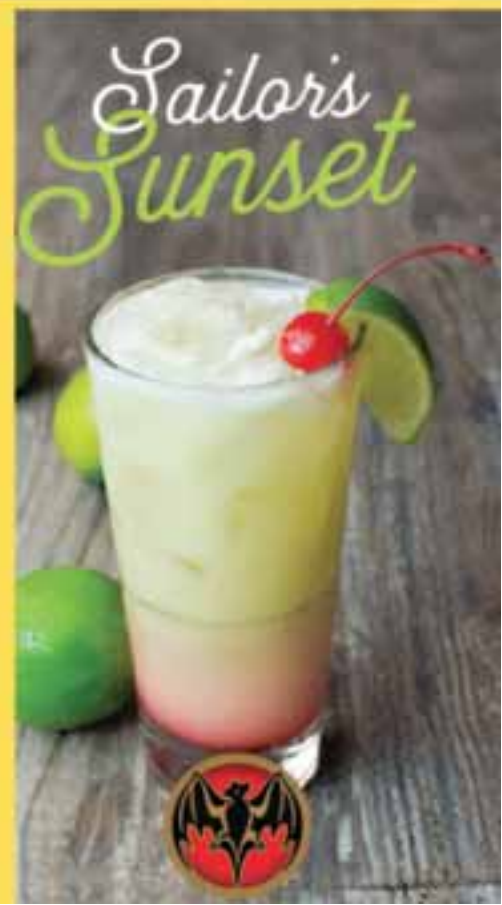
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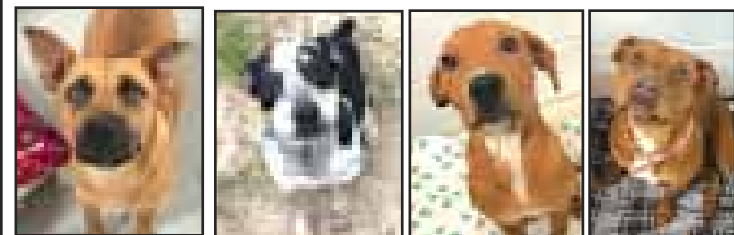
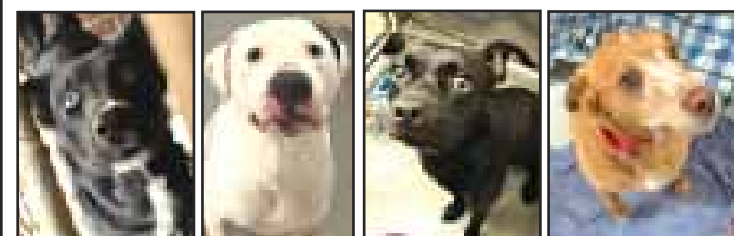
Paws in the Park April 13 at Big Lagoon State Park

Big Lagoon State Park along with the Friends of Pensacola State Parks will host the first Paws in the Park on Saturday, April 13 from 10 a.m. 'til 2 p.m. at the Amphitheater Picnic Area at Big Lagoon State Park (12301 Gulf Beach Hwy. in Pensacola). This is a free event with regular paid park entry fees (\$4 for one person or \$6 for up to 8 people).

Bring the whole family out, including your favorite 4-legged friends for a fun filled day of dog friendly vendors, opportunities for adoption and educational demonstrations.

There will also be ranger guided dog friendly hikes to emphasize the dog friendly areas of the park and interpretation of pet rules. Dogs must be on a maximum 6 ft. long hand-held leash at all times and be well behaved. Owners are responsible for picking up after their pets.

Pictured: The Pensacola Humane Society will be at the event with adoptable dogs that could include some of these pets. Above (clockwise from top left) Mazey, Racer, Denzel, Benn, Zack Morris, Chase, Koko, Caitlyn; Below (clockwise from top left) Blue Boy, Edward Teller, Purty, Corbin, Beauty, Karma, Penny, Dizzy, Smoke, Thor, Rock, Reeses.



Shakespeare April 12-14 on SBCT's outdoor stage

Tickets are currently on sale for The South Baldwin Community Theatre's production of An Evening With The Bard, scheduled on weekend only, April 12-14, on the theatre's outdoor stage.

Tickets, specially priced at \$5 for students and \$9.95 for adults, are available at sbct.biz and the theatre, located at 2022 West 2nd St. in Gulf Shores.



Shows are scheduled April 12 & 13 at 7:30 p.m. and April 14 at 2:30 p.m. Patrons are invited to bring

blankets, beach chairs and snacks while enjoying scenes from the works of William Shakespeare. Act One will be scenes from the comedies and Act Two will be from the tragedies.

In the event of inclement weather, the show will be performed indoors. There is no assigned seating for the outdoor stage. And there will be an intermission with some SBCT provided refreshments. (donations gratefully accepted).

Jennifer Dawson directs the performance of sonnets, scenes and soliloquies from

For more info or to buy tickets, visit sbct.biz or call 251-968-6721.



Art For Heart April 6 in Fairhope

Donna Burns from Kaiser Sotheby's International Realty and April DePaola from the Coastal Connection Team brokered by eXp Realty (pictured) are volunteer co-chairs for the the 2019 Baldwin Art for Heart Gala scheduled April 6 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at The Old Barn at Chapel Farm in Fairhope. This is the 27th annual Baldwin Art for Heart Gala and Live Auction and will be held at the home of Jeanna and Rodney Pilot.

This year's medical honoree is Dr. Robert Robichaux of Cardiology Associates. The community honoree is Jennifer Blanchard of Gulf Chrysler Dodge Jeep. The Heart Heroes for the event are Coach Mark Lasseter and Coach Phil Lazenby. The Signature Sponsor is South Baldwin Regional Medical Center..

Sponsorship opportunities are available and include tickets. Contact Bridgett Dunn at bridgett.dunn@heart.org or visit baldwinartforheart.heart.org for more info.

For 27 years, the Baldwin County Art for Heart event has helped to advance the lifesaving mission of the American Heart Association, a mission that has impacted the lives of thousands of men, women and children in south Alabama. Contributions received go far in supporting cardiovascular research, professional and community education, and advocacy efforts. Each year, community members, medical professionals and corporate leaders come together to celebrate the lifesaving work of the American Heart Association.

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Gulf State Park Pier shark fishing season reopens March 31

The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' permitted, managed shark fishing season at the Gulf State Park Pier reopens this Sunday. The first two managed shark fishing events will take place on the south end of the pier – called the octagon – from 7 p.m. Sunday, March 31, until 7 a.m. Monday, April 1, and from 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 2, until 7 a.m. Wednesday, April 3. The remaining events take place on most Sundays and Tuesdays from April through September. A complete list of dates is online at alapark.com/shark-fishing. The angler registration process has been improved to provide both primary and alternate selection date options.

The octagon will close to routine use 30 minutes prior to these events and reopen to routine use 30 minutes following them. During the events, the octagon area of the pier will be designated for the exclusive use of the participating shark anglers and their designated assistants. The remainder of the pier will be open to anglers and other pier guests as normal. The managed shark-fishing events will allow for 15 anglers per occasion, with no more than one rod and reel per angler in use. Each angler may have one assistant. This allows for a maximum of 30 individuals on the octagon area during each event. Anglers are encouraged to assist one another while fishing.

Pictured: This spinner shark was caught during a previous shark-fishing event. (Photo by David Rainer)

Little Miss Zydeco Pageant April 12 at Erie Meyer Civic Center

The inaugural Little Miss Zydeco Pageant will take place on April 12 at 6 p.m. at the Erie Meyer Civic Center. Kristie Wheeler is spearheading the Little Miss Zydeco Pageant in collaboration with Waterway Village merchants.

Participants will compete in four different grade levels: PreK and Kindergarten, First Grade and Second Grade, Third Grade and Fourth Grade, and Fifth Grade and Sixth Grade. Each grade level will award one queen, one first runner-up and three princesses. Queens will be announced at the Zydeco & Crawfish Festival on Saturday, April 20.

All contestants must currently attend a public/private school within Baldwin County or be homeschooled in Baldwin County. Winners will be selected by judges based on a point system. Registration forms can be accessed and printed at gulforeshal.gov or gulforeshakarate.com. Registration includes a \$40 nonrefundable entry and t-shirt fee.

The deadline to register is April 8. For more information, please visit www.gulforeshal.gov/crawfishfestival or contact Wheeler at 251-233-9300.

Single day ticket sales added for Hangout Fest

10th annual “music vacation” May 17-19 at Gulf Shores Public

For the first time in 8 years, the Hangout Festival will be offering single day tickets to hear the world's most popular musical acts on stage at Gulf Shores Public Beach.

The single day tickets, priced at \$149, are on sale now at hangoutmusicfest.com. General admission weekend passes (\$299), and VIP (\$1,099) and Super VIP (\$1,699) weekend passes are also still available. The VIP experience, always the first to sell out, includes pool-side and jacuzzi-side views of the main stage, and complimentary food, beer, wine and cocktails all weekend.

While approving the assembly permit for the 10th annual gathering, set for May 16-19 at Gulf Place, the City of Gulf Shores also approved a 5,000 increase of capacity for the fest, bringing it up to a total of 45,000.

Last year was the fest's first year following the \$11 million re-design of Gulf Place.

“We worked very closely with folks from the Hangout Music Festival to try to the best of our ability manage how they would like to see the site flow for their guests and their patrons for safety, security and the experience for the customers. Last year we thought the site worked really well opened up,” Director of Recreation and Cultural Activities Director Grant Brown said.

“Adding an additional 5,000 tickets we feel is very doable and will not create any safety issues within the site,” Brown added.

Hangout Fest organizers will submit a list of sponsors and vendors working on the site, its security plan, proof of insurance and a city reimbursement letter before April 1.

“This is so the revenue department can make sure that the licensing and the permitting and everything is handled well in advance to make sure taxes are collected and all the information is shared,” Brown said.

Hangout Fest hours will be from 5-11 p.m. on May 6 and the following three days from 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. with fireworks starting nightly about 10:45 p.m. Organizers have until May 22 to break down the fest.

Festival headliners include The Lumineers, Kygo, Cardi B, Travis Scott, Diplo, The 1975, Walk The Moon, Bebe Rexha, Jimmy Eat World, Jungle, and Alison Wonderland. The Red Clay Strays are this year's locally based presence.

Cardi B, the Bronx-born rapper, made his

tory earlier this year, becoming the first solo female rapper to win a Grammy for Best Rap Album in the category's 20-plus year history. Shke was nominated for seven awards across major categories.

Billed as a music vacation, Hangout Fest is an immersive musical experiences that makes it unique on the festival circuit. Patrons can swim in the Gulf, relax in comfort at Hammock Beach, find dog love at the Puppy Kissing Booth, or make their love official - at the week-end - at the Wedding Chapel. Organizers will ring back the tremendously popular full-sized roller rink again this year.

Big Gigantic, A Boogie Wit Da Hoodie, Camelphat and SNBRN will all play sets during the tablesetting Thursday night kick-off party. Tickets on Thursday are \$55. Admission is included with VIP and Super VIP tickets.



Hangout Fest By Day

Thursday, May 16 (kick-off party)

Big Gigantic, A Googiewit Da Hoodie, Camelphat, SNBRN.

Friday, May 17

Travis Scott, Vampire Weekend, The 1975, DIPLO, Judah & The Lion, Hippie Sabatage, Bishop Briggs, Mlura Masa, Loud Luxury, Superorganism, Flora Cash, Bryce Vine, The Interrupters, Shaed, Pale Waves, Medashi, Abhi The Nomad, Chika, Powers Pleasant.

Saturday, May 18

Khalid, Kygo, Walk The Moon, Jimmy Eat World, Alison Wonderland, Bazzi, Sofi Tukker, Sir Sly, Arizona, Jonas Blue, Lovely The Band, Madeinthy, Taylor Bennett, Ravyn Lenae, Jade Bird, Shame, Morgxn, Justin Caruso, Slenderbodies, Castlecomer, Easy Life.

Sunday, May 19

The Lumineers, Cardi B, Hozier, GRIZ, Ella Mai, Bebe Rexha, Jungle, Gorgan City, Quinn XCII, King Princess, Lauren Daigle, Elohim, Two Feet, Two Friends, Buddy, Grandson, Elley Duhe, The Band Camino, Graves, Dreamer Boy, Spencer Ludwig, The Red Clays.

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Few openings remain for April 5 Lions Golf Tourney

A few player openings remain for the 45th Annual Gulf Shores Lions Club Max Wilson Memorial "Golf for Sight" Tournament scheduled on April 5 at Peninsula Golf & Racquet Club. Cost is \$125 per person and the format is 4-ball with a blind draw to pair up two-person teams. Registration starts at 11:30 a.m. and the tourney starts at 1 p.m. Entry fee includes: green fees, cart rental, range balls, a raffle ticket and three beverage tickets. Cash prizes are awarded on each and every hole.

All money raised will be used to support charities for the visually impaired and blind. Proceeds will also support the new Miracle League of Coastal Alabama baseball field being built in Summerdale. The Miracle League field allows physically and mentally disabled residents and guests to play side by side with family and friends.

For more info, call 440-813-8424 or 251-747-5493.

Boating Knowledge & Safety Class April 13 in Lillian

The Perdido Bay Power Squadron is offering its Boating Knowledge and Safety Class on Saturday, April 13 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lillian Recreation Park, located at 33914 Widell Ave. in Lillian.

Certified instructors from the Perdido Bay Power Squadron provide instruction as a courtesy to advance recreational boating knowledge. The course includes information on getting started, what is needed, required and recommended safety equipment, boating rules to live by, navigation chart overview, and related topics.

The cost is \$50 for student materials and lunch. Please make out your check to Perdido Bay Power Squadron.

Student materials include a student manual, graduation certificate, and copies of federal and state rules. Two persons in the same household may share a single book. For those sharing a book, there is an \$8 charge for the additional lunch.

Classes are limited to 16 students. Minimum age is 12, and an adult must accompany anyone under 16. Walk-ins are welcome if space is available.

Successful completion of the course meets the basic boating knowledge requirements of most states and territories. Education on Alabama boating law is included in the course and comprehension assessed as part of the course final examination.

Purchasing and reviewing the student manual prior to the class is recommended. Register and buy the student manual at Blue Water Ship's Store, 8103 S. Hwy 59, Foley, AL 36535. Materials may also be obtained on class day at the Lillian Recreation Park. Make checks out to Perdido Bay Power Squadron. For additional information, call Richard Carson at (251) 980-1536.

The Wharf Boat & Yacht Show is March 29-31 in O.B.

The Wharf Boat and Yacht Show, the largest in-water display of any boat show along the upper Gulf Coast, will be held March 29-31 at the Wharf Marina in Orange Beach. Hours are Friday and Saturday from 10am-6pm; and Sunday from 10am-4pm. General Admission is \$10 Friday, \$12 on Saturday & \$10 on Sunday. Children (12 yrs old & under) are admitted free.

In-water displays will allow prospective buyers to test drive the boat of their dreams before taking advantage of on the spot financing. Last year there were over \$90 million in boats and marine products for display, including more than 135 in-water vessels and an additional 450-plus boats displayed on land. Every type of vessel will be shown, ranging from luxury yachts and sport fisherman, to center consoles, cruisers, pontoons and run-



20,000 visitors expected at March 30 Elberta Sausage Festival

The Elberta Sausage Festival returns to Town-Park (13052 Main St. Elberta) on Saturday, March 30 from 8 a.m. 'til 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Held just north of the town's only stop light on Hwy. 98, the event attracts up to 20,000 revelers, according to organizers.

A 41-year tradition in the historic town, the festival is a major regional event that attracts a cross section of the community in what has become a reunion type atmosphere. It is also the main revenue source for the area's volunteer fire department.

Enjoy Elberta's famous German sausage and sauerkraut, plus continuous entertainment, and 250 arts & crafts booths.

There will also be carnival rides. Of course, there will also be a Bier Garten featuring a large selection of imported and domestic beers. Other scrumptious foods will include: German-style filled cabbage, potato salad, goulash, red beans

and rice, hamburgers, hot dogs, BBQ sandwiches, ice cream, popcorn, peanuts and home-made baked goods. The Bellview Stumpfiddle Band will perform with the North End Stompers and other cloggers. There will also be polka, country and German music.

Spearheaded by Elberta's Volunteer Fire Department since 1978, festival proceeds are used for improving not only the fire department, but the town as well. Additionally, local non-profits benefit from the festival through proceeds from their booth sales and parking lot fees. The festival is held twice a year - on the last Saturday of March and the last Saturday of October. Although it has been tweaked a bit over the years, the original secret recipe for Elberta's famous sausage is credited to Alfred Stucki, who managed Elberta's Locker Plant from 1953 until his death in 1973. About 7,000 pounds of German Sausage are consumed at each fest. More info: elbertafire.com.





Camellia Classic Open Car Show
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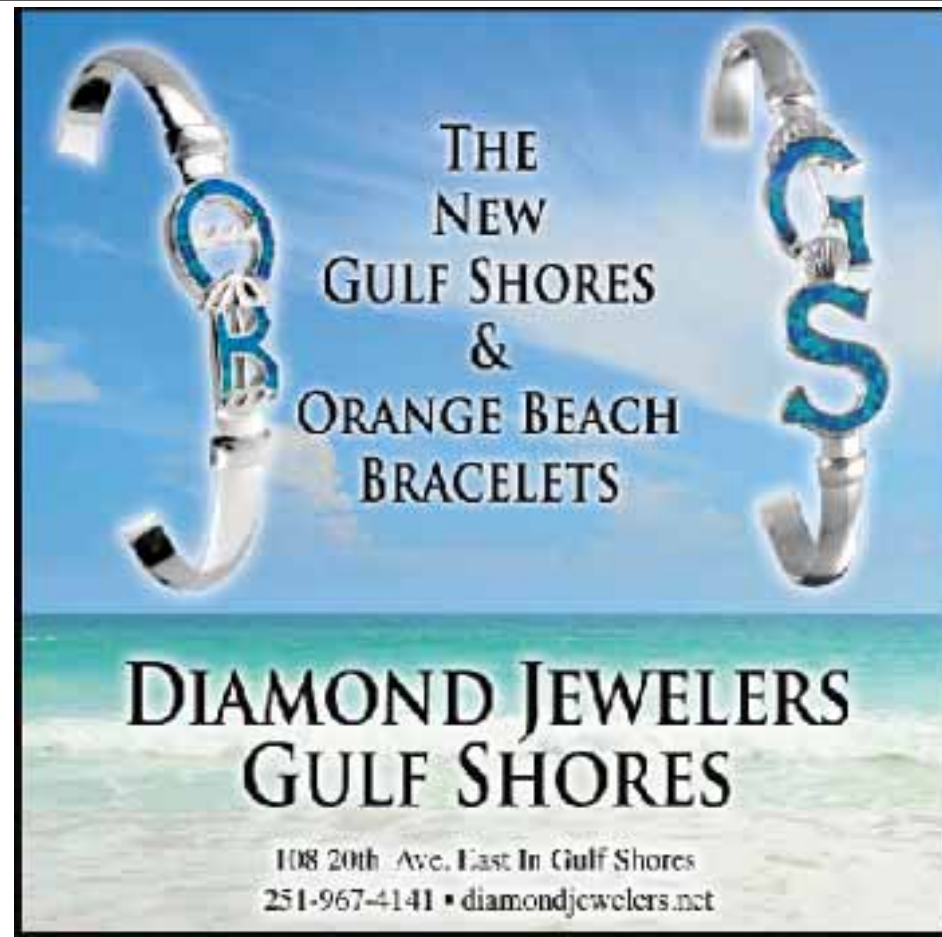
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Some 28 towns across Alabama will be on display during Saturday mornings in April as part of the Alabama Tourism Department's April Walking Tours. Call 251-943-1200 for more details.

May 5 potluck will double as open house for St. Joseph's

After many months of assessment, bidding, fund raising and repairs on the St. Joseph Catholic Church parish hall in Lillian, Immaculate Mary Hall is once again open for fun, food and frolic. To celebrate this accomplishment, the parishioners will host a pot luck luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 5, the feast of St. Joseph the Worker. In conjunction with the event, parishioners are selling raffle tickets for \$25 each. The prizes are \$500, \$250 and \$100. Tickets may be purchased from any parishioner or visit the church office between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Since the hall is fully functional again, it is available to rent for parties, wedding receptions and other special occasions. Contact the church office for details, 251-962-3649.

Wales West Cottontail Express weekends thru April

The 14th Annual Cottontail Express opened on March 23 and will continue every Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. through Saturday, April 20 at Wales West RV and Light Railway in Silverhill.

Guests can ride "Dame Ann," an authentic steam train to the Bunny Hutch, visit the Easter Bunny, taking lots of pictures, enjoy an Easter Egg Hunt, and make their very own Easter Bunny Mask. Once back at the train station, guests can enjoy free refreshments, a mini-train ride, a bounce house, the hay-less hay ride, and a playground.

The petting zoo and pony rides are available for a slight fee, and food, including seasonal treats, will be served in the Wales West Diner. Easter items are also available in the gift shop. Tickets are \$15 plus tax, and may be purchased online or at railway upon arrival. Children ages two and under are free. Wales West is lo-

Montessori Teacher credential course offered in Pensacola beginning June 3

A Montessori Early Childhood Teacher Credential Course begins June at Montessori School of Pensacola's main campus, 4100 Montessori Dr.

The course includes classroom instruction during June and July followed by practicum coursework and is designed to prepare students for working with children two and one half to six. Registration is \$100 fee before May 1 and \$200 after May 1. Info: montessori-trainingusa.com/user/register or mary@montessoripensacola.com.

The Early Childhood Teacher Credential Course is geared for both existing teachers and those who aspire to become teachers of young children.

Summer intensive dates are June 3-July 3 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., and coursework continues through the school year. The Montessori Teacher Training is designed to lead to credentialing, employment and careers in Montessori education.

Monthly Flicks on the Field scheduled at Greyhound Track

The Perdido Key Area Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with Wind Creek Hospitalities, presents monthly Flicks on the Field, a fun-filled free movie night in Perdido. The events will take place at 951 Dog Track Rd. on the grounds of Pensacola Greyhound Track. The next dates for the movies are April 26, May 24, June 21 and July 19.

Movies will start at dusk. There will be concessions available, so bring your lawn chairs and blankets to watch a movie under the stars, or enjoy the movie from the comfort of your car. In case of inclement weather, the event will be moved indoors.

Sponsorships are available for anyone or any business who would like to help make this event successful for the entire community.

For further information, please call the Chamber at 850-492-4660 and ask for Emily or call Sally Bowen at 850-554-2956.



Master Gardeners Plant Sale April 5-7 under Fish River Bridge

The Baldwin County Master Gardeners Spring Plant Sale will be held April 5-7 at Weeks Bay Reserve from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Reserve is located just west of the Fish River Bridge on Highway 98 at Safe Harbor, directly across from the Weeks Bay Reserve Visitor Center, 11300 U.S. Highway 98, Fairhope. This sale will offer a big selection of annuals, perennials, herbs, shrubs, trees, hummingbird attractors, heirloom and rare plants. Experts, including several growers and the Baldwin County Master Gardeners, will be on hand to help with selections and to answer questions, and free gardening seminars will be held onsite at 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Proceeds from the plant sale benefit the BCMG Scholarship Fund and other community projects. For more information, call 251-605-6243 or visit baldwincountymastergardeners.com or facebook.

Pictured: Shoppers and volunteer master gardeners at a past BCMG Spring Native Plant Sale.



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Gulf Shores & Baldwin County finalize terms of school split

By Fran Thompson

Although it was often acrimonious to the point of being baffling when you consider how many precedents have been set (71 city school systems) in the state, The City of Gulf Shores and the Baldwin County School District have finalized all matters to complete Gulf Shores' transition to an independent school system beginning June 1. Gulf Shores City Council voted to take charge of its schools back in September of 2017.

State Senator Chris Elliott and Gulf Shores Mayor Robert Craft led negotiations between the parties since the filing of a lawsuit by Baldwin County following a ruling from State Superintendent Eric Mackey. Baldwin County will withdraw its lawsuit and Mackey will rescind his ruling.

"We settle things better here among ourselves than we do in Montgomery. That was part of the problem. It was time for the state superintendent to step back. There were politics getting caught up in this that did not need to be involved in the conversations," Elliott said.

The BCSD claimed Mackey's original ruling was unprecedented, forcing Baldwin County to pay \$7 million in start up costs to Gulf Shores, according to the BCSD.

The County maintained that Mackey's ruling would not only wreck havoc with its 2019-2020 budget, but encourage more breakaways around the state.

"The money would have been taken away from what was already budgeted in the 2019 fiscal year," BCSD Superintendent Eddie Tyler said.

"What would we have to do, as a school system of close to 32,000 students, had we had to handle proration in the middle of the school year. That was a concern. Through the settlement, it is not a concern," he added.

In an attempt to keep the State of Alabama out of the fray, Mackey had originally implored the two sides to independently build consensus on the specifics of the split by October, 2018.

"After meeting with the parties on December 2018 there was still no amicable solution," Mackey said in a statement. "I even hired a third-party mediator, but unfortunately the parties again failed to execute an agreement."

Mackey added that since both school boards and superintendents have finally signed off on terms of the separation, he was withdrawing the final order he issued on Feb. 5.

"With the impending need for the community to know when and where school will begin next year,

moving ahead with the business of educating children is a huge step in the right direction," he stated.

There are now 72 city school systems and 67 county systems in Alabama.

Final Terms of Gulf Shores - Baldwin Co. School Split

Below are the final terms of the Gulf Shores City Board of Education and Baldwin County Board of Education agreement to settle the pending lawsuit and complete Gulf Shores' transition to an independent city school system on June 1, 2019.

Separation Agreement Terms

- The County will continue to pay all existing debt obligations associated with Gulf Shores Schools until December 1, 2024 – estimated at \$2.85 million
- The County will receive all countywide sales taxes until October 1, 2019 – estimated at \$1.8 million.
- The County will pay all payroll obligations for positions assigned to Gulf Shores Schools through the end of the current contract period, not later than until September 1, 2019.
- Both systems will transport their respective students.
- Both systems agree to cooperate to resolve any personnel matters fairly and equitably.
- All equipment, materials, supplies, and other personal property will remain in Gulf Shores Schools.

Gulf Shores will revamp traffic flow for start of its first school year

During a recent meeting that has been described in the media as a "lovefest" in front of more than 400 parents, Gulf Shores School Board members and Superintendent Matt Akin presented on campus improvements that will be in place when Gulf Shores officially opens for business when classes resume this August.

In addition to moving a total of five current portable classrooms and eliminating three others, the city will make major changes to the traffic routes parents use when dropping off and picking up children. T

hose plans include a traffic circle that will loop south of the elementary school. Elementary traffic will use the East 16th Ave. entrance to the campus while middle school traffic will enter and exit from East 15th Ave. It is hoped that the new traffic patterns will eliminate traffic buildups on East 2nd St.

Bus traffic for the Gulf Shores elementary, middle and high schools will enter and exit on Dolphin Ave. By the time classes start, 95 parking spaces will be added at the high school and a new teacher parking lot will be built on the site of the elementary school playground. The playground will be moved into the interior of the campus.

New security measures at the campus will include walls and fencing at the elementary school which will limit access to the campus. Additional security cameras (monitored by the Gulf Shores Police Dept.) are will also be installed.

In addition, the city will give a new look to its entry ways (new logo pictured) that will incorporate its new logo and slogan - "Makin' Waves."

The city will also install rain canopies at its drop-off stations. A majority of work is expected to be completed before August and cost between \$5 million to \$7 million.

As reported earlier, Chad Green, the former chief financial officer at Satsuma City Schools, will begin serving in a similar capacity in Gulf Shores on April 1 and Gulf Shores High School Principal Cindy Veazey and Gulf Shores Middle School Principal Kyle McCartney will remain in those positions. The city is in the midst of interviewing applicants for the elementary school principal's position.

The City also introduced the Dolphin Foundation for Education and Arts as a community fundraising arm

similar to the Makos Academics, Arts and Athletics Club recently formed in Orange Beach.

"It's really nice as a superintendent to see how excited the community is," said Akin. "It's an exciting time for us."

Options For Fort Morgan students

The new Orange Beach school won't be finished until the fall of 2020 but the county plans on opening a portable village across the street from Orange Beach Elementary School to house seventh through 10th graders. Any students outside of Gulf Shores city limits in grades K through nine will attend school in Orange Beach.

All students who will be 11th and 12th graders in the fall living outside the city limits will be allowed to attend Gulf Shores until graduation. Students in the 10th grade starting this fall have a choice to attend in either Orange Beach or stay at Gulf Shores.

Students from Fort Morgan, who would otherwise have to travel through Gulf Shores to Orange Beach to attend a county school, will be able to attend Gulf Shores schools on a space available case.

"We set the policy and we set tuition. It will be \$1,500 for the first student and \$1,000 for subsequent students within the same family," said Akin, adding that the amount was based on county revenue which will Gulf Shores will not receive from its students living outside of the city.

"When I say county revenue I mean county property tax," Akin said. "If a person lives in Fort Morgan, his parents would pay \$1,000 in property taxes, approximately, that would go to the county which we'll never see in Gulf Shores. That was the starting point for how much tuition do we charge."

Out of district students enrolling in Gulf Shores Schools this coming August will be given priority in fu-



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AROUND TOWN

Meet artist Pat Page at April 8 Friends of SW Library meeting

The April 8 Friends of the Southwest Branch Library Quarterly Meeting will include a meet the artist segment with Pat Page (pictured). The meeting starts at 6 p.m. at the library located at 12248 Gulf Beach Hwy. Page is currently exhibiting 51 pieces of her work at the Southwest Branch Library through April 30. She is a resident artist at Quayside Gallery.

Her exhibit is a reflection of a rich history of the City of Pensacola through vintage photographs, illustrations and graphics. It has been described as "a beautiful nostalgic collection!". Light refreshments will be served. For more info, call 850-453-7780.

Foley High School receives National Trainers Assn. safety award

Foley High School is the recipient of the National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA) Safe Sports School award for its athletic department. The award champions safety and recognizes secondary schools that have met the recommended standards to improve safety in sports. The award reinforces the importance of providing the best level of care, injury prevention, and treatment.

"Foley High School is honored to receive this 1st Team recognition from NATA," said Sean Ahonen (pictured), athleticTrainer. "We remain committed to keeping our student athletes safe during physical education classes, team practices, and games so they can accomplish their own goals of great competition, winning records, fair sportsmanship, and good health. Our goal is to lead our athletics program to the highest safety standards for our players."

Solar System & Beyond topic of April 16 lecture at Foley Library

Astronomer, Kevin Manning, will be returning to the Foley Public Library once again on Tuesday, April 16. His presentation, A Grand Tour of the Solar System & Beyond, will be presented in the library's upstairs meeting room starting at 6:30 pm. Seating will be limited. For reservation, call (251) 943-7665.

This presentation includes a virtual journey visiting the Sun, planets, their moons, and debris left over from the earliest times of the solar system's formation. A detailed look at Pluto as the New Horizons spacecraft takes very high resolution images of this elusive and controversial world after waiting 9 ½ years to reach it since launch in January, 2006.

Kevin (pictured) is a gifted astronomer, having worked as a consultant with NASA, the Chandra X-Ray Observatory launch on the space shuttle with the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, and other ground-based observatories. He has won national and international awards in his field, was both a Wright Fellow and an Einstein Fellow, and did some work with Brookhaven National Laboratory. Kevin has presented numerous workshops over the years at libraries, observatories, and science centers. Some noteworthy presentations include those made at Tufts University, the State University of New York at Stony Brook, the National Science Teachers Association's National Convention, the American Association for the Advancement of Science Breakfast with Scientists, and the National Parks Service.



CCA Alabama donates \$40,000 to cobia tagging, student support at USA

CCA Alabama recently announced its support of two programs in the University's Department of Marine Resources (USADMR) that will advance knowledge of marine sportfish now and in the future. With a donation of \$20,000 for a cobia tagging and research program, and \$20,000 for the USADMR Student Benefit Fund, CCA Alabama affirmed its commitment to enhancing conservation-based science for the benefit of marine resources and recreational anglers.

"We are excited about the potential of the cobia tagging program to further understanding of one of the most popular game fish on the Gulf Coast."

"These donations are at the core of CCA's Science of Conservation Program, and we are proud to partner with a marine science leader such as the University of South Alabama to improve the sustainability of our amazing coastal resources," said Matt Grant, CCA Alabama State Chairman. "We are excited about the potential of the cobia tagging program to further understanding of one of the most popular game fish on the Gulf Coast, and we hope our support of the Student Benefit Fund will help graduate students reach their full potential and become tomorrow's leaders in the challenging field of marine science."

CCA created the Science of Conservation as a national program to bring together anglers, marine science centers and industry to provide financial support for scholarships and projects that will ultimately improve understanding of the marine environment and enhance the role that recreational anglers play as stewards of our shared marine resources.

"We've had tremendous success collaborating with marine science institutes in the past, and the Science of Conservation Program will create continued opportunities in the future," said Patrick Murray, president of CCA National. "These two endeavors at the University of South Alabama are the kinds of investment in the future that we envisioned when we created the Science of Conservation, and we are excited about what they will produce."

The University of South Alabama's Marine Science Student Benefit Fund helps cover expenses encountered by graduate students as they travel for their research and attend/present at conferences, as well as other costs associated with work necessary for their advanced degrees.

"It allows us to fund a diversity of thesis and dissertation topics, from basic oceanography to fisheries ecology," said Dr. Sean Powers, Chair, USA Marine Sciences. "The fund gives a tremendous return on investment. From modest grants of \$1,000 to \$3,000, graduate projects can be completed and careers made."

CCA Alabama's donation to the cobia tagging program will help fill in the blanks on cobia migration routes to and from the Central Gulf of Mexico, as well as their discard mortality when caught and released. The project will use MiniPAT Tags that are a combination of archival and ARGOS satellite technology. It will allow researchers to track the movements and behavior of a fish that does not spend enough time at the surface to allow for use of real-time ARGOS satellite tags. Updates on the findings will be made available to the public as the data becomes available.

"Cobia are amazing fish, and their great ability to migrate coupled with their very rapid growth make it a wonderful, but challenging species to study," said Dr. Powers. "With the assistance of CCA Alabama, we will be able to tag five fish with tags that will give us information on migration and discard mortality."

CCA Alabama's conservation efforts are funded in part by local chapter banquets across the state and from proceeds from the Saltwater Fishing CCA AL license plate sales. "We couldn't have done this without the hard work and dedication of our members from across the state," said Blakeley Ellis, CCA Alabama Executive Director. "Projects like these are exactly what CCA Alabama is all about."

Pictured: Grey Cane (CCA AL), Wesley Blacksher (CCA AL), Reid Nelson (Graduate Student, USA Marine Sciences), Blakeley Ellis (Executive Director, CCA AL), Matt Grant (State Chairman, CCA AL), Dr. Andrzej Wierzbicki (Dean, USA College of Arts and Sciences), Dr. Sean Powers (Chair, USA Marine Sciences), April Depaola (CCA AL), Dr. David Johnson (Provost, USA)

Info: CCAAlabama.org & ScienceOfConservation.org.

CCA Beach Party April 26 in O.B.

The Lower Alabama Chapter of Coastal Conservation Association Alabama (CCA) will hold its 20th annual Lower Alabama CCA Beach Party from 6-10 p.m. on April 26 at the Orange Beach Event Center at The Wharf.

The party includes live and silent auctions, a raffle, dinner by Villagio, and live music by Wes Loper. Pre-sale tickets are \$110 per couple and \$75 for a single. Limited tickets are available at the door for \$125 per couple and \$85 for singles. Each ticket includes a one-year CCA membership, dinner, and drinks.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Contact Lower Alabama Chapter President Ryan Long at r.long@highlandgroup.org or 251-478-3474. Info is also online at ccaalabama.org.

CCA Alabama was founded in 1982 and is the second oldest CCA state chapter in the organization. With eight chapters in the state, CCA Alabama now has over 2,000 members who work to conserve marine resources for future generations of Alabamians to enjoy. It has been instrumental in achieving numerous accomplishments in protecting and rebuilding marine resources in Ala-



St. Benedict's Raven Run 5K is part of April 13 German Fest

St. Benedict Catholic School is preparing for its 47th annual German Festival to be held April 13th on the school's campus in Elberta. St. Benedict Catholic School is a fully accredited inter-parochial Catholic elementary school that was founded in 1921. The German Festival has been its major fundraiser for the past 47 years. Tickets are currently being sold for a chance to win the \$20,000 top cash prize or one of nine \$200 cash prizes. Each ticket is \$100 and a maximum of 500 tickets will be sold. In addition to the car raffle, the German Festival will feature the Raven Run – A 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run, German food, entertainment, trash/treasure sale, bingo, a kids village, and vendor booths. The festival will be held from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. at 12786 Illinois Avenue in Elberta, AL. The famous polka band from Texas – Das Ist Lustig! – performs at 11 a.m. followed by the Poarch Ninjas at 2 p.m. For festival information or to purchase raffle tickets, visit StBenedictGermanFest.com, call the school office at 251.986.8143. To register for the Raven Run visit RunSignUp.com or call Theresa Redditt at 334.424.0324.

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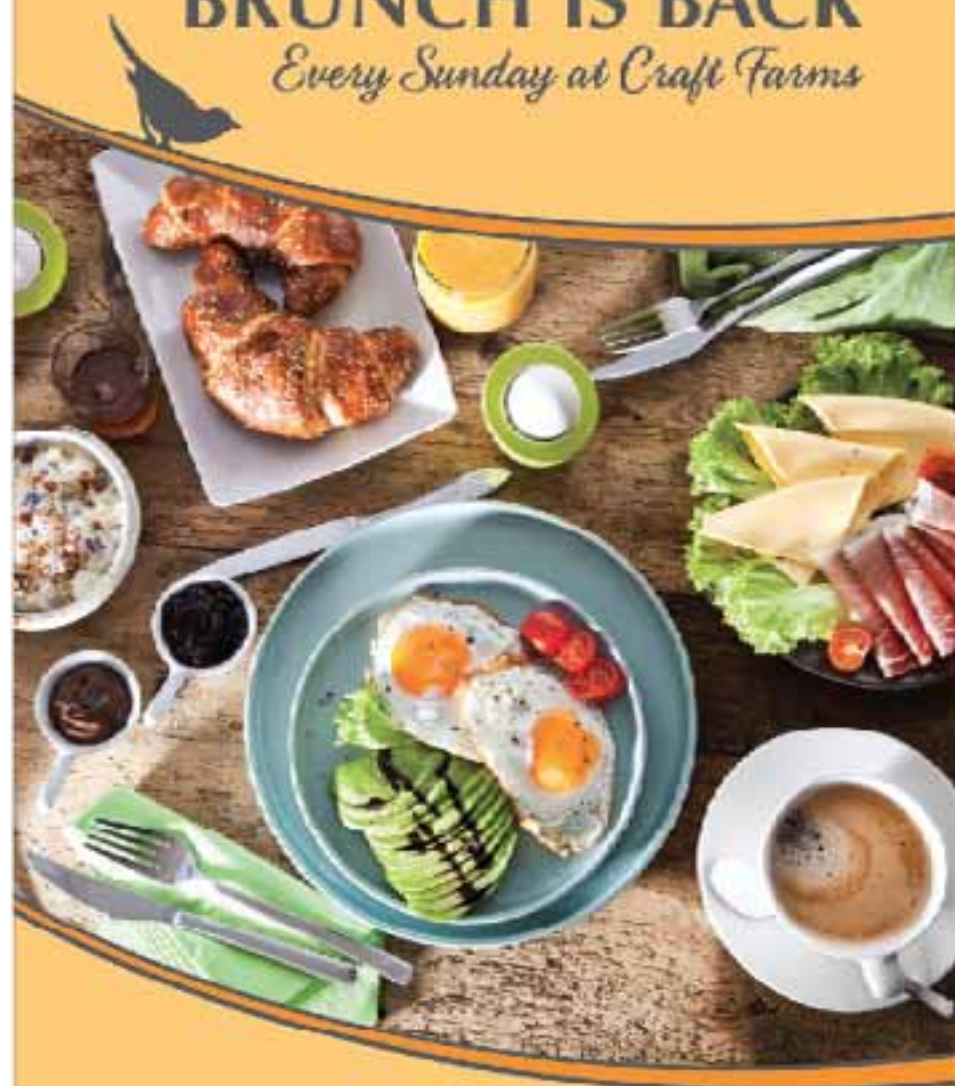
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7th Youth-Reach Gulf Coast Golf Tourney April 9 in Loxley

The 7th Annual Youth-Reach Gulf Coast Golf Tournament will be held April 9 at Steelwood Country Club in Loxley.

Check-in and breakfast starts at 7:30 a.m., an hour before the shotgun start. Format is four-man scramble and tourney competitions include closest to the pin, longest drive, straightest drive and longest putt. The entry fee is \$600 per team or \$200 per player and includes breakfast, a filet mignon lunch, golf towel nice tumbler, green fees and range balls.

Tournament sponsorship ranging from hole to title are also being solicited. Call (251) 967-4809 or visit youthreachgc.org or more info.

Youth-Reach Gulf Coast is a non-profit Christ-centered home set on a beautiful 81-acre campus east of Summerdale. The program is designed to remold the values and turn around the lives of at-risk young men, ages 18-22. Founded in 1984 by Curt Williams, the program's focuses on structure and a balanced family and home life.

Youth-Reach concentrates on developing character, responsibility and a strong work ethic. Facilitated by respected counselors, it is a long-term program intended to heal past wounds and restore families.

Snook Youth Club seeks talent for April 6 show

Snook Youth Club in Foley is looking for talent of all types and all ages to perform at Alabama Stars Wars on Saturday April 6, from 2-5pm at the Foley United Methodists Church-915 N Pine St. Alabama Star Wars is a multicultural, multigenerational Talent Show. Top performers grades 6-12 will have the opportunity to represent Baldwin County in the Alabama Fine Arts Festival in Alabaster AL, on May 3-4. Travel will be provided. Top performers of all ages will be invited into the recording studio to produce and perform an original selection on the 2019 SYC DVD. So get your act together. You might be the next Alabama Star. Contact Snookyouthcluboffoley@gmail.com/Snook Youth Club via Facebook or call 251-943-1483 for info.

Environmental Academy plant sale thru March 29

The Gulf Shores High School Environmental Academy will host its annual horticultural spring plant sale through March 29 from 9 a.m. 'til 1:30 p.m. at the Gulf Shores High School Greenhouse.

Vegetables, herbs, flowers, landscape plants and

house plants will be available. Prices will vary according to size and type. For example, large pots are \$5, medium pots are \$4-\$5, and flats of 18 plants are \$12-\$15.

All proceeds will benefit the Environmental Academy and FFA.

Under the direction of Wil Tuggle, The GSHS Environmental Academy, in addition to maintaining a greenhouse at the school, offers classes that include horticulture or greenhouse management and production. FFA is an intracurricular student organization for those interested in agriculture and leadership. It is one of the three components of agricultural education. The letters stand for Future Farmers of America.

Tickets on sale for May 11 MAAAC gala in O.B.

The first annual gala in support of a foundation formed to support Orange Beach Children will be held on Saturday, May 11 from 7 p.m. 'til midnight in the ballroom at Perdido Beach Resort. Money raised will benefit MAAAC - Makos Academics, Arts & Athletics Club. Paperchase out of New Orleans will provide the tunes, and hors d'oeuvres a silent auction drinks and dancing are all part of the fun filled evening. For info,

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GULF SHORES CITY COUNCIL

G.S. awards 10-year franchise to bring fiber networks to homes beginning with Craft Farms North

By John Mullen

In the past, companies wanting to bring in internet or fiber service to Gulf Shores had their eyes on the bigger prizes for business.

"I know in the past we've had providers that wanted to come into the community and they make a lot of promises but then they focus their attention on the high-intensity beach condo developments because that's where they get the most bang for their buck," Councilman Jason Dyken said. "Then the single-family residents are kind of left out in the dark."

A new company seeking a franchise with the city will come with a different viewpoint, Economic Development Coordinator Blake Phelps told the city council on March 18.

"Condos or the beach has not come up at all in any of our conversations over the last eight to 12 months," Phelps said. "They have been solely focused on residential. They see a niche, they see an opportunity and quite frankly a little bit of a void in the market."

On March 27 the council voted to give Point Broadband a 10-year franchise to bring fiber to homes to Point Broadband. The city will receive 5 percent of the company's gross receipts to operate in the city.

"Point Broadband is one of those providers we've worked with over the past couple of months and they are prepared to come in to provide fiber to the home and residential internet service," Phelps said. "That will be their number one priority. They also have the desire to expand within some business areas as they grow as well."

Phelps said the company will not be involved in cable or phone service, just offering up to one gig of service for internet only.

"What they are offering are speeds up to one gig and their plan between \$70 and \$150 a month with no contract. It's very competitive pricing and very competitive speeds," Phelps said. "What this will do is actually provide fiber all the way to the home which will increase the bandwidth, in-

creases the speeds they offer and the reliability of the service. We're really excited about."

Uniti will provide the "backbone" of the network, Phelps said, and Point Broadband will lease from them with a plan to get it into Gulf Shores homes and businesses. According to the Uniti.com website, fiber cable is in the ground along the major roads in Orange Beach including Perdido Beach Boulevard, Canal Road, Orange Beach Boulevard and Marina Road. The beach road fiber extends all the way through Gulf Shores to just past Little Lagoon Pass. Alabama 59 has Uniti fiber from the beach to Foley and points beyond and all the way down Fort Morgan Road to just short of the fort.

"We've got some other providers who have a fiber backbone but it's actually co-ax cable going into the home," Phelps said.

"When they bring fiber into the home it doesn't matter what the co-ax network is, it can't keep up and they know that. They see an opportunity specifically in the residential side because of the way our community is growing with residential and we're seeing this throughout Baldwin County."

One of the first areas the company plans to look at is Craft Farms North, an already established neighborhood.

"There's been a significant amount of construction out there obviously but the city is also continuously receiving complaints from residents out there not being able to get service in as timely a matter as they would like," Phelps said. "The fiber optic network isn't already in the ground out there. This will actually provide an opportunity for them to come in and provide service in those areas in an efficient way."

Phelps said Point Broadband will use an installation technique perfected by Google Fiber for its network called micro-trenching. And, the city will keep the company posted about new construction being planned. Several large subdivisions are on the drawing board north of the Intracoastal Waterway.

"Ideally, with new construction, when the developers are going into these areas and putting roadways in they would go ahead and put their conduit in and run everything all at the same time," Phelps said. "That's the perfect scenario."

Uniti, Mediacom, CenturyLink and Harbor Communications all have fiber infrastructure in Gulf Shores but none offer fiber-to-the-home services, Phelps said. Uniti and Harbor both offer fiber optic service for commercial/business customers.

During the meeting the council also:

- Approved paying Volkert Associates no more than \$118,900 for design and engineering services for improvements in the school zone with addition of a box culvert at west 20th Avenue and West First Street and adding a right-turn lane onto East 16th Avenue and Fort Morgan Road. Funding will come from a city line of credit established for school improvements.
- Approved spending nearly \$90,000 for repairs to tennis courts at the Meyer Tennis Center in Sims Park and about \$20,000 for repairs to the basketball courts both Sims and Meyer parks.
- Approved a franchise agreement with Eastern Shore Co. to replace coin-operated, metered telescopes at Gulf Shores beach pavilions and boardwalk. The company removed the telescopes during the city's redevelopment of the area. The new franchise agreement is for two years and Eastern Shore will pay the city 40 percent of its gross receipts.
- Approved a structure fire automatic-aid agreement between the Gulf Shores Fire Department of Foley Fire Department.
- Approved an assembly permit for the Good Life Ride on May 11 starting from The Lodge at Gulf State Park.
- Approved the annexation of a lot and home owned by Mr. and Mrs. James Nelson in the Oyster Bay subdivision on White Lane on Plash Island.
- Approved the annexation of a lot and home owned by Jenny Lynn Price on County Road 6.

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Kids Win Fishing Tourney April 6 at Wharf Marina

The Annual Kids Win Fishing Tourney will return to The Wharf Marina in Orange Beach on April 6. Fishing commences at daylight and ends at 11:30 a.m. Weigh-ins begin at 10 a.m. and close at 12:30 p.m. at The Wharf Marlin Circle. Deadline for registration is 11 a.m. on April 4.

Children ranging in age from 3 to 12 will compete in two age groups, and every kid is a winner, as tons of prizes and trophies will be given away. The event is perfect for introducing kids to fishing and it only costs \$25 per child. The first 100 children will receive a T-shirt and a goodie bag. Activities for the kids and lunch will be provided on Saturday at the weigh-ins.

For more info, call 251-224-1900, email marina@cmmmarinas.com or visit thewharfmarmarina.com.

Musicians For Autism April 28 at Sassy Bass in O.B.

The annual Musicians For Autism Festival will be held at Sassy Bass Caribbean Grille, located at Happy Harbor Marina (27212 Marina Rd.) in Orange Beach, on Sunday, April 28 from 11 a.m. 'til 5 p.m.

The family friendly event benefits the programs of the Autism Society of Alabama and helps promote awareness and acceptance of Autism Spectrum Disorders along the Gulf Coast and throughout the state.

The fundraiser includes live music from eight acts, a silent auction, raffles and family activities. Sassy Bass will donate 50 percent of all food entree sales in support and musicians are donating their time for the cause.

Silent auction items include parasailing and dolphin cruise trips, ski rentals, coolers, zero gravity chairs, autographed musical instruments and gift cards and passes to local restaurants and attractions.

Bands already committed to playing the event include Scott Koehn, Lisa Christian & Conga Dave, The Funky Lampshades, The Chillbillies, the Barstool Surfers, The Bitter End Band, Coconut Radio and the McCarthy-Plane Band. April is Autism Awareness month.

Paddle at Skull Harbor April 13 at The Anchor Bar

Paddle at Skull Harbor, part of the Vacasa Vacation Paddle Series, is scheduled on April 13 at The Anchor Bar and Grill in Orange Beach (4575 S Wilson Blvd.). The event includes clinics with nationally ranked paddlers on April 12 and Ono Loop 20K, Island Loop 10K, Terry Cove 5k Rec Paddle and Fun Paddle 1k races on Saturday.

Lobos Locos Paddle @ GT's on the Bay on May 11 and the Gulf Coast Flora Bama Paddle Championship on July 20 are the other two races in the series. There will be cool prizes for each class with a minimum of five participants. Each registrant will receive a t-shirt, race jersey, food, drink and raffle coupons. Funds raised will benefit Mobile Baykeeper and children's charities.

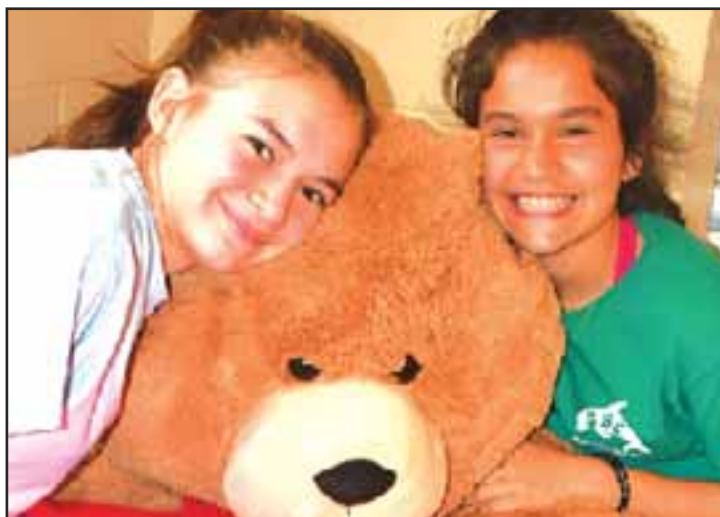
Registration is \$65 for the Island Loop 10K & Ono Loop 20K, \$45 for the Terry Cove 5K, \$25 for the Fun Paddle 1K and \$5 for the Kid's Race. There will be no race day registration. For more info, email mrounsav@gmail.com or visit paddleguru.com.



Our Lady of the Gulf Lenten Friday Flounder-frys continue through April 12

The Lenten fish-frys at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church (2304 E. 2nd St.) in Gulf Shores continue every Friday through April 12. Hours are 5-7 p.m.. Cost is \$10 for a meal that includes delicious fried fish, hushpuppies, baked beans, cole slaw, a dessert, a drink, and good fellowship. Prepared by Gulf Shores' finest fry-cook using a secret recipe, the huge french fried flounder filets are a huge hit with locals and snowbirds. Proceeds benefit Baldwin County Catholic schools and local schools and programs.

Pictured: Volunteers preparing for the March 15 fishfry.



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Funny Bones

By George Ridder



A Policeman stops a speeding car and tells the woman driver, "When I saw you driving down the road, I thought to myself, 'sixty-five at least.'" "Sixty-Five!" shrieked the woman. "Yes, sixty-five." "I don't think that is quite fair. I

think this hat makes me look older."

What did the mother worm say to her son when he was late for dinner?
"Where IN Earth have you been?"

Mr. Peterson, a tourist from Toronto, arrived in Barbados. In the airport taxi cab, Peterson asked the driver, "Say, is this really a healthful place?" "It sure is," the cabby replied. "When I arrived here I couldn't say one word. I had hardly any hair on my head. I didn't have the strength to walk across a room, and I had to be lifted out of bed." "That's wonderful!" said the tourist, "How long have you been here?" "I was born here."

When I am told, "You'll regret that in the morning", I don't let it bother me.

Being a problem solver, I just sleep in till noon.

Tom and Sarah decided it was time to write a will and get their affairs in order. A lawyer then asked them questions about what medical means should be employed should they become severely injured.

Tom spoke up, "I don't want my

life regulated by some machine. I just can't stand the idea of receiving my nourishment from a bottle."

Sarah took Tom's words to heart. When they got home, she cut the TV cord and dumped out all of Tom's beer.

What do you call a sleepwalking nun?
A roamin' Catholic.

Two old friends meet passing on the street one day. But one seemed hopeless, and almost on the verge of tears.

His friend asked, "What has the world done to you?"

The sad man said, "Let me tell you. Three weeks ago, an uncle died and left me forty thousand dollars."

"That's not bad."

"But you see, two weeks ago, a cousin I never even knew kicked the bucket, and left me eighty-five thousand free and clear."

"Sounds like you should be grateful..."

"You don't understand!" he interrupted. "Last week my great-aunt passed away. I inherited almost a quarter of a million."

Now the friend was really confused. "Then, why are you so sad?"

"This week... nothing!"

Who is the coolest doctor in the hospital?
The hip consultant.

A woman rushes into her house one morning and yells to her husband, "Sam, pack up your stuff. I just won the lottery!"

"Shall I pack for warm weather or cold?"
"Whatever. Just so you're out of the house by noon!"

I've started a new exercise program.
I do twenty sit-ups every morning.

That may not sound like a lot, but you can only hit that snooze button just so many times.

What kind of pastry needs a the-saurus?
Synonym Rolls.

How many tickles does it take to make a squid laugh?
Ten-tickles!

A man was staggering home drunk in the early hours of the morning when he was stopped by a police officer.

"What are you doing out at this time of night?" asked the officer. "I'm going to a lecture," said the drunk.

"And who's going to be giving a lecture at this hour?"

"My wife."

A man went to the doctor and said: "Doctor, I keep having visions of the future."

"When did these start?"
"Next Thursday."

"That guy was so happy that it's St Patrick's day, that he was literally bouncing off the walls!"
"Who was it?"
"Rick O'Shea."

Why is it always a bad idea to iron a four-leaf clover?

Because you should never press your luck.

A wife comes downstairs before a dinner date with her husband. "Do I look fat in this dress?" the wife asks.
"Do I look dumb in this shirt?" the husband replies.

A sign on the lawn at a drug rehab center said: Keep off the Grass.

15. The midget fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.

16. The soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray Is now a seasoned veteran.

17. A backward poet writes in-

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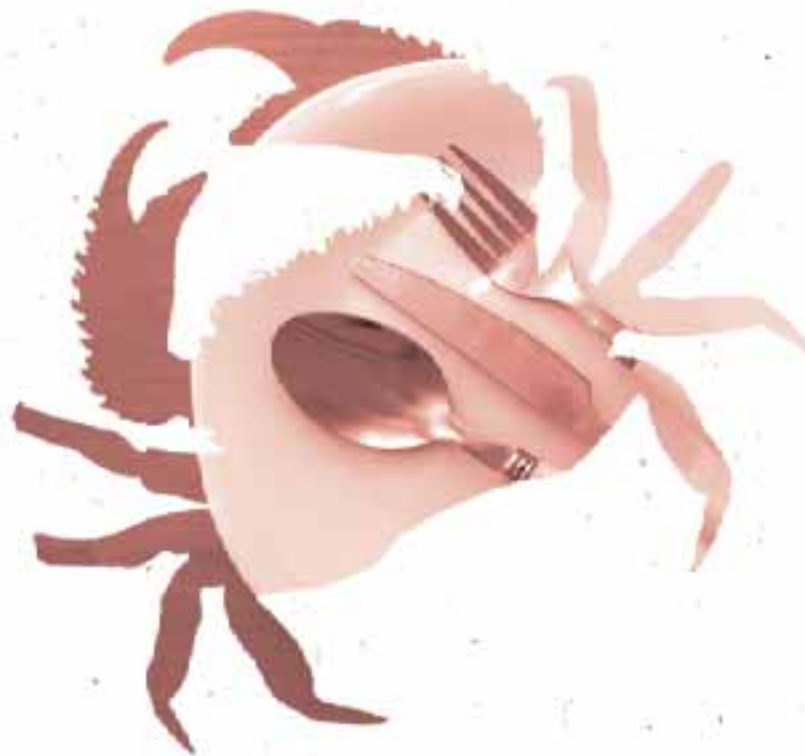
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WED, FEB 27

- 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.
- South Baldwin Women of the Word Precept Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.; Exit Realty Classroom, Gulf Shores; 251-269-8967.
- John Brust: 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Brent Burns: 4; Fin & Fork, Orange Beach.
- Danny Grady: 3:30-5:30 p.m.; Papa

- Rocco's, Gulf Shores.
- Rodger Plemons: 5; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- Open Mic: 5:30; Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.
- John Lee Sanders: 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Bingo Night: 6; Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.
- Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- Karaoke w. Cindy & Mary: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- West Coast Swing Dance: 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- Karaoke w. Aaron Phillips: 6; Ameri-

- can Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- John Joiner & Friends: 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 2 p.m.; Island Time Daquari Bar; The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke: 9; The Office, Foley.
- Big Beach Running Club: 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; all levels welcome.
- Magnolia Springs Garden Club: 10; 4th Wed. Oct - May; Magnolia Springs Community Hall; guests & new members are always 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: 7:15 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 eligibility requirements at (850) 492-2604.

- Bread Ministry: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Orange Beach United Methodist Church Brook's Center.

THU, FEB 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.
- Music at Meyer Park featuring Johnn Hayes & The Love Seats: 6 p.m.; Meyer Park; Gulf Shores.
- Brandon Styles Impressions & Magic Show: 7; OWA Showroom, Foley.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7;

ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL

Pavement for Powerline Rd.; new gym for Rec Cen-

By John Mullen

The City of Orange Beach is moving forward with plans to pave a small portion the north end of Powerline Road as soon as a lawsuit over the acquisition of the land is settled in court.

"The question now becomes what is the value of the land in the court and hopefully it will be resolved in about 30 days," City Administrator Ken Grimes said.

Big plans are in the works for the strip of road from Canal Road south to Sewer Plant Road. Orange Beach is hiring Sawgrass Consulting for about \$175,000 to design the roadway and bring some other city roadways between Powerline Road and the Sportsplex up to code.

The contract was awarded during the regular session of the city council on March 19. During the following work session, the council announced bids would be opened soon on the new gymnasium at the Recreation Center complex.

Sewer Plant Road is an east-west road that connects from the back to the soccer fields and down to Powerline Road north of the sewer plant. That road exists and it's paved but it doesn't meet standards as a city street at this point, Grimes said.

"It'll have to be improved and widened a little bit to get two lanes and striped," Grimes said. "Now it's just mainly a road for people to get to the sewer plant and for big trucks and dump their load. And then we also included the entrance to the Sportsplex and that side road that goes down toward the soccer field and improve it with two lanes."

Powerline Road has existed for years and was even once the only north-south route to the beach. It has turned into a controversial road of late with elected officials saying it would be a traffic fix to have the road operational again. But a clause in a lawsuit over the building of the state park lodge and convention center prohibits new roads in the park for 20 years.

"On the Powerline Road side that im-

provement will be a little bit wider with the ability to hopefully expand and create drainage on each side," Grimes said. "That's in preparation for when the final hearing happens with the condemnation with the Georgine Connor property then we'll be able to move and start construction."

Once the roadway improvements the city will then start to work in earnest on getting the Public Works complex moved from William Silvers Parkway to the east side of Powerline Road.

"That triggers the dominoes that everything begins to happen and you'll see the bids and things related to Public Works," Grimes said. "We're going to design and rebuild Public Works on the site, the land we're going to get from the Connors."

The land where Public Works now sits will become an important addition to the new high school and middle school being built on the same property to the west.

"When (the new Public Works) gets built and we demolish and raze everything that's at Public Works today," Grimes said. "In the future that's where the goal of the football field would be for the high school."

Bids were scheduled to be opened on March 26 for the new gymnasium and Grimes said the city would like to see it opened this fall. The bid will likely be awarded at the April 2 council meeting, city clerk Renee Eberly said.

"We have a seven-month target of getting it completed and the goal is by basketball season," Grimes said. "If they can get moving quickly hopefully by the end of the year, we can be playing basketball in there."

It will be slightly bigger than the current gym but will be split to make small courts for the younger basketball leagues.

"If you picture the current gym and you're looking at the basketball court and added four feet on each side and probably 20 feet on each baseline, that would

be the walls," Grimes said. "We did that so it would fit on the site because when we used that court it's mainly going to be the little, little kids on the eight-foot goals. But we wanted the full-size courts in it so if had tournaments in the future that gives us another option for high school and middle school basketball."

The work there will also include a refurbishment of the entire look on the recreation center.

"The outside is going to be a little bit different and then we'll probably repaint the entire rec center to match up with the newness of it because the rec center kind of gotten dated as far as the paint color," Grimes said. "The roof is definitely in bad shape as far as fading. You'll see improvements to the whole property."

During regular session the council also:

- Approved a liquor license for the Blind Tiger which is scheduled to open in The Wharf in the former Bayes Southern Bar and Grill location in the Springhill Suites by Marriot.

- Approved a liquor license for Desmond's Taste of Jamaica going into the old Buns in the Sun and Grape Escape location on Loop Road.

During work session council discussed:

- Resolutions opposing current legislation being proposed in the Alabama Legislature, the first being an effort led by State Sen. Chris Elliott, R-Daphne, to do away with police jurisdictions beyond city limits. The second would eliminate lodging taxes for tents, recreational vehicles or marine slips.
- A resolution awarding the bid for a Police Department video system.
- A resolution awarding the bid for self-contained breathing apparatus for the Fire Department.
- A resolution declaring the "Back-to-School" Sales Tax Holiday July 19-21.
- A resolution appropriating funds for the Expect Excellence Program for Fiscal Year 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$270,000.
- A resolution paying Olsen Associates to perform engineered beach annual moni-

O.B. High hires 1st football coach

As the new Orange Beach High / Middle School continues to go vertical along Canal Road, the Baldwin County School Board approved new staff for the schools, including Coach



Chase Scott as the high school's first-ever football coach and athletic director. "I am thrilled to continue my career in Baldwin County," (pictured) Coach Smith said. "I have been blessed to call it home for 12 years. The opportunity to build something from the ground up with a vision in mind is truly rare. I cannot express how excited I am to take on this task of building a culture of excellence with like-minded and purpose-driven people."

Coach Smith will officially start on April 1. He previously served as head coach/AD at Robertsdaile High School for a year.

Smith is a graduate of Shades Valley High School in Birmingham and Jacksonville State University. He started coaching at Spain Park High School in Hoover and then in Greenville as a running backs coach. He was an assistant for four years at Spanish Fort High from 2007-2010 where he worked with running backs, defensive linemen and the offensive line.

In 2011, Smith step onto the college gridiron to coach at the University of South Alabama. With the Jaguars, he served as a graduate assistant, director of football operations and held on-field positions coaching tight



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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Public bird banding sessions return to Ft. Morgan April 16-20

Public bird banding returns to historic Fort Morgan April 16-20, courtesy of Birmingham Audubon and its partners. The public is invited to join the Audubon team on April 16 from noon - 3 p.m., April 17-19 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and April 20 from 8 a.m. to noon.

Reviving the bird banding program originally championed by the late Bob Sargent and his wife, Martha, this event provides an invaluable look at spring migrants traveling across the Coastal Alabama section of the Mississippi Flyway. Throughout the week, participants enjoy unparalleled access to the researchers and the work, with up-close-and-personal views of some amazing birds.

In 2018, guest and staff researchers banded a total of 562 birds, with an additional 74 recaptures that were banded in previous years. That included 41 different species, with the top five most common including Indigo Buntings, Gray Catbirds, Wood Thrushes, Ruby-throated Hummingbirds, and Red-eyed Vireos. April 20, 2018 was the busiest day, with a total of 257 birds banded and a total of 27 species.

"We're excited to see what migrants will be passing through in 2019! Remember to bring water, bug spray, sunscreen, and perhaps an outdoor chair; restrooms and concessions are available next to the ferry, and all ages are welcome to attend," said Sarah Randolph, Outreach & Communications Director for Birmingham Audubon.

While the Coastal Alabama Bird Banding Project is free, there is an admission fee to enter the park. For up-to-date pricing, visit fort-morgan.org.

The 2019 guest researchers include

- Eric Soehren, Ecologist, Alabama Department of Conservation & Natural Resources A graduate of Jacksonville State University with both undergraduate and master's degrees in Biology, Eric has been a zoologist with the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources's State Lands Division since 1997. He currently manages the Wehle Land Conservation Center (WLCC), where he administers the Avian Conservation Center, which works to develop and coordinate bird research and monitoring programs. Eric is actively involved with several conservation organizations including the Alabama Ornithological Society, Southeast Partners in Amphibian and Reptile Conservation, and the Inland Bird Banding Association.

- Dr. Scott Rush, Associate Professor, Dept. of Wildlife, Fisheries & Aquaculture, Mississippi State An assistant professor in the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries & Aquaculture at Mississippi State, Scott received his Ph.D. from the University of Georgia in 2009. While his graduate research focused on properties of northern Gulf tidal-marsh ecosystems, he and his graduate students currently work on developing novel approaches to understand landscape/trophic ecologies and wildlife populations.

Partners in the program include Alabama Department of Conservation & Natural Resources, Mississippi State University, Gulf Shores & Orange Beach Tourism, the Edwin L. and Elizabeth L. Skelton Foundation, the Alabama Historical Commission, and the Mobile Bay Audubon Society). More details are available at birminghamaudubon.org/birdbanding, and registration is encouraged for planning purposes.

Founded in 1946, Birmingham Audubon is Alabama's leading non-profit organization promoting conservation and a greater knowledge of birds, their habitats, and the natural world. Birmingham Audubon is a membership organization, offering field trips, conservation programs, adult classes, workshops, guided nature walks, community-science projects, and more. Learn more and give online today at birminghamaudubon.org, or follow social media.



Optimist Kid Fishing Rodeo April 13 at Schaff's Pond

The Optimist Club of Perdido Bay will host the 19th Annual Kids Fishing Rodeo on Saturday, April 13 at Schaff's Pond in Lillian. Poles will be in the water at 9 a.m. and a free hot dog lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The event is open to girls and boys aged two to 15. Awards are given in a variety of categories. Door prizes will also be presented. Participants are asked to bring their own poles and bait, however, a few poles and bait will be available. Catch and release when possible is recommended. The required permission forms will be available at the pond.

Schaff's Pond is located on Bartel Road, west of County Road 93. From Lillian travel west on US Highway 98, turn north on CR93 for one mile. Go west on Bartel Road four tenths of a mile. The pond is on the right.

Pictured: Morgan Gardner enjoyed the sun, fresh air and catching fish at the 2018 Fishing Rodeo hosted by the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay. This year's event will take place at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 20 at Schaff's Pond in Lillian.

Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
 • Open Mic: 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
 • Scott Koehn: 5:30; Pleasure Island Tiki Bar, Orange Beach.
 • Tim Roberts: 6:30; The Tin Top, Bon Secour.
 • John Lee Sanders: 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
 • Bridge: noon; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
 • John Brust: 6; Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
 • Karaoke: 8; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
 • Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
 • 8 Ball APA: 7:30; The Office, Foley.
 • Bingo: 10 a.m.; American Legion Post 44, 6781 Gulf Shores Pkwy (AL Hwy 59), Gulf Shores.
 • 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; visit-

ing Rotarians and guests invited; 251-968-2000.
 • Gulf Shores United Methodist Church Bread Ministry: 9-10; every Thursday; room 103 on the south campus, next to Crossroad; 251 968-2411.
 • South Alabama Senior Travelers: 9 a.m.; Foley Senior Center; visitors welcome; 251-928-4494.
 • South Baldwin Amateur Radio Club: 7 p.m. 4th Thurs. of every month; Baldwin County Emergency Operations Center, McAuliffe Rd., Robertsdale; 251-943-2953.
 • Bingo: Bear Point Civic Association on Bay La Launch Rd. in Orange Beach; doors open at 6:30 p.m., games at 7 p.m.; hotdogs, drinks and snacks available; all invited; 981-5734.
 • Orange Beach Bridge Club: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.
 • AA: Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

Orange Beach Elementary earns statewide Safe Schools award

For the seventh consecutive year, Orange Beach Elementary School has been awarded the Alabama Safe Schools Initiative Awards of Excellence by the Alabama Attorney General. Winners were selected from each of the eight state school board districts as well as private schools for each state region.

"It is an important tradition to recognize schools throughout our state for dedication and excellence in keeping students safe. Each day that parents leave their children at school, they are entrusting what they hold most precious into the care of school teachers, principals, school resource officers and other staff," said Attorney General Steve Marshall.

Reception for new O.B. school principals April 9 at Art Center

The Orange Beach Educational Foundation will hold a welcome reception for Orange Beach Middle School Principal Robbie Smith (above) and Orange Beach High School Principal Erika McCoy (below) from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9 at the Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach.



Orange Beach High School will begin classes in Fall of 2019 with 9th and 10th graders.

Smith started her teaching career in 1993, working her way up the administrative ladder until she was named principal of Discovery Middle School in the Madison City School System, and then principal of Hartselle Junior High School. She was named Alabama's District 8 Middle School Principal of the Year in 2018. She has a bachelor of science degree in biology, two master's level certifications, a master's degree in secondary education, and a doctorate in educational leadership.

McCoy has been the principal at Haleyville High School since 2017. She started as a mathematics teacher in 2002 before becoming an assistant principal in 2012 at Florence High School and then principal in 2017 at Haleyville High School. She has a bachelor's degree in elementary education, a master's degree in education, an education specialist degree in instructional leadership and a doctorate degree in instructional leadership.

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FRI, MARCH 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 Lounge Tent Stage; Perdido Key.
- Wharf Boat and Yacht Show: Main St.; Orange Beach.
- Lenten Fish-Frys: 5-7 p.m.; Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church; 308 East 22nd Ave.; Gulf Shores.
- High Rollers: 7; The Office, Foley.
- John Lee Sanders: 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Ryan Balthrop: 5; Playa; Orange Beach.
- Les & Robbeaux: 5; Tacky Jacks; Gulf Shores.
- Ultra Violet: 7; The Hangout; Gulf Shores.
- Charlie Wilson: 7; Tacky Jacks; Gulf Shores.
- Cookin W. Grass: 5:30; Big Beach Brewing Co.; Gulf Shores.
- Chillbillies: 8; Good Time Charlies; Foley.
- Stephanie Hall Duo: 6; Bar 45 at The One Club; Gulf Shores.

- Doc Johnson Band; 7; Blue Water BBQ Company; Orange Beach.
- Aug Nation: 6; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- Rib Eye Dinner to help Veterans and Families: 5 p.m.; music & dancing at 7 p.m.; American Legion Post 44; Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke: 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- Open Jam: 8, American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- Open Mic Karaoke w. John Henry: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 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@gulfnet.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.

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SAT, MARCH 30

- Opera "Die Walküre" by Richard Wagner: 11:55 a.m.; from The Metropolitan Opera, Cobb Pinnacle 14, Gulf Shores.
- Elberta German Sausage Festival: Downtown Elberta.
- Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- Wharf Boat and Yacht Show: Main St.; Orange Beach.
- Open Jukebox: 9; The Office, Foley.
- Southern Culprits: 9; Island Time Daiquiris; The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- The Defrosters: 2 p.m.; The Flying Harpoon 2, Orange Beach.
- Ultra Violet: 7; The Hangout; Gulf Shores.
- Dueling Pianos: 5:30; Big Beach Brewing Co.; Gulf Shores.
- Hippie Jim: 11 a.m.; Tacky Jacks; Orange Beach.
- Les Lydon: 4; Pirates Cove, Josephine.
- Kat: 6:30; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
- Westside Players: 5; Tacky Jacks; Orange Beach.

- John Brust: 6; Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Two Jo's & Augie: 6; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- Lefty Collins: 5; Playa; Orange Beach.
- Brandon Styles Impressions & Magic Show: 8; OWA Showroom, Foley.
- Karaoke: 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- Open Jam: 8, American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- Optimist Club of Perdido Bay: breakfast every Saturday at 7 a.m. at the Lillian Community Club in Lillian; (251) 961-2620.
- AA: 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- AA: 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- Ladies AA: 9 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

SUN, MARCH 31

- Central Flora-Bama Church: Church experiences, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Flora-



Winn Dixie Foley raises funds for South Baldwin Literacy Council

South Baldwin Literacy Council was selected as the benefiting non-profit of the Community Bag Program at the Winn Dixie located in Foley for the month of February.

The program features a two reusable Community Bags with a Giving Tag that allows a customer to direct a \$1 donation to the non-profit of their choice upon purchase. For every Community Bag purchased during February, South Baldwin Literacy Council received the \$1 default donation, unless otherwise directed by the customer through the Giving Tag.

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WHAT'S HAPPEN-

Bama Tent Stage, Perdido Key.
 • Unity Church Beach Service: 9:45 a.m.;
 The Royal Oyster, Hwy. 59, three blocks
 from beach in Gulf Shores.
 • Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 2 p.m.
 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama,
 Perdido Key.
 • Wharf Boat and Yacht Show: Main St.;
 Orange Beach.
 • The Defrosters: 2 p.m.; The Flying
 Harpoon 2, Orange Beach.
 • Corey Reznor: 2; Big Beach Brewing
 Co.; Gulf Shores.
 • Brittney Grimes: 11 a.m.; Tacky Jacks;
 Orange Beach.
 • Jazzman David Jones: 11 a.m.; Playa;
 Orange Beach.
 • Rhonda Hart and Justin Fobes: 5; Island
 Time Daquari; The Wharf; Orange Beach.

• Scott Koehn: 4; Pleasure Island Tiki
 Bar, Orange Beach.
 • Lisa Zanghi: 6; The Lobby Bar at Per-
 dido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
 • Les & Robbeaux: 4; Tacky Jacks; Gulf
 Shores.
 • John Lee Sanders: 6; Voyagers Restau-
 rant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange
 Beach.
 • Karaoke: 5; Monthly Birthday Potluck;
 American Legion Post 99, Foley.
 • John Joiner & Friends: 4; Hub Stacey's
 at the Point; Innerarity Point.
 • Blind Draw Dart Tournament: 5;
 American Legion Post 99, Foley.
 • 9 Ball APA: 6; The Office, Foley.

MON, APRIL 1

• 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.
 • Tim Spencer: noon; poolside; Perdido
 Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
 • Lisa Zanghi: 6; The Lobby Bar at Per-
 dido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
 • Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7;
 Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
 • Medicine Man: 6; Hub Stacey's at the
 Point; Innerarity Point.
 • Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.;
 all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis
 Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and
 West 2nd St.
 • Trivia & Bluewater BBQ: 7; Big Beach
 Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.

• Grief Share: 6 p.m.; Community Hos-
 pice Center, Foley.
 • Bridge: noon; American Legion Post 44,
 Gulf Shores.
 • 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 As-
 sociation 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 Presbyte-
 rian Church of Foley; (Berry & Highway
 59).

• AA: Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship
 Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (In-
 nerarity Point) Pensacola.
 • AA: 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship
 Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (In-
 nerarity Point) Pensacola.
 • Ladies AA: 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC
 Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point
 Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

TUE, APRIL 2

• 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 Lounge Tent Stage; Perdido Key.
 • Marcus Elzondo: noon; Voyagers
 Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Or-
 ange Beach.



PICKLEBALL PLAYERS START LOCAL LEAGUE: L.A. (Lower AL) Big League had its opening night Thursday 2/21/19 at the Church of Christ in Gulf Shores for Pickleball Players. Longtime resident Steve Lloyd has created the League from a growing number of local players stretching across the island and beyond. The players skill levels range from 2.5 to 3.0. Competition is between Gulf Shores Cultural Center, Church of Christ in Gulf Shores and the Orange Beach Recreation Center. Congrats to Orange Beach for their inaugural win over GS Cultural Center. (By Tamara Pace, Orange Beach Pickleball Player)

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Photo and story from the city:

- Marcus Dickie: 5; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- John Brust: 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Lefty Collins: 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- Lisa Christian: 6; Sunset Cork Room, Gulf Shores.
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- Open Mic Karaoke w. John Henry: 5; American Legion Post 99; 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 Weekly Grief Support Group: 6 p.m.; Point Church, 13801 Innerarity Point Rd.; 601-278-6973.
- The Grief Support Group: 11 a.m.;

- Thee Coffee Shop; South Campus of Gulf Shores United Methodist Church; 1st and 3rd Tues; 251-968-2411.
- Orange Beach Bridge Club: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.
- Orange Beach Library Children's Story Time: 10 a.m.; preschool; 981-2923.
- Southwest Branch Library Children's Story Time: 10:30 a.m.; preschool; 12248 Gulf Beach Hwy, Pensacola; (850) 453-7780.
- Gulf Shores Kiwanis Club: Palmer Dining Room at Craft Farms; noon; new members and guests always welcome; 251-981-9999.
- Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon: 7:30 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola, 850-867-5873 or 901-734-1066.
- Kiwanis Club of Foley: Noon on Tuesdays at Ryan's in Foley; 251-968-6288.
- AA: Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- AA: 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
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SAN DIEGO BAR'S FLORA-BAMA WALL PROVES A BIG HIT: When Ty Hauter has bands flown in from Nashville and Texas to his Moonshine Beach music venue in San Diego, the up-and-coming artists flock to the club's Flora-Bama wall to take pictures. "So, when bands come into town they always get their picture taken by it just like the owner did," Hauter said. "It's become this special wall that everybody gravitates to for selfies and what not before they take off out of town."

Hauter has visited the world-famous Flora-Bama once he came away enamored with the place. "I adore it," he said. "I think it's a great place. I grew up in smaller towns in the Midwest and places like that, that's what we dreamed about as kids." When he was putting together ideas for Moonshine Beach, a 1,500-seat venue and bar that does ticketed shows as well as host cover bands, his thoughts went back to the special place he visited on the Florida-Alabama line.

"Southern California doesn't really have a country music scene," Hauter said. "It just started evolving a few years ago and now it's expanding. I was trying to bring in more flavor from the Gulf Coast and the South. I've been living in Nashville for a couple of years now and I was trying to think of items that would resonate and somehow set a tone. In my mind, (the Flora-Bama is) one of the motherships of vibe and what it's all about. That's how it ended up on that wall."

Long-time Flora-Bama owner Joe Gilchrist stopped by to see the wall on a trip to San Diego and wants to bring a group from the Bama out for a visit. "I think we ought to do a home-and-home party," Gilchrist said. "Get a bunch of people to go out there and a bunch of people from out there to come here. I'm all for it."

Hauter said he is planning to bring a group to the Flora-Bama this summer which would be just his second visit to the legendary roadhouse. "It's probably 20 feet long and six or seven feet high," he said. "We have one wall that says Dixie Beer five cents and one wall that's Jim Beam and another wall that says Fender guitars. The Flora-Bama thing is the only one that's on a wall that's really pushing another



ISLAND SPIRIT AWARDED TO LULU'S DON DELONG: With Lucy Buffett herself in attendance, the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber recently surprised LuLu's bartender Don DeLong with the Island Spirit Award for March 2019 during their First Friday Forum event. Don's nomination had this to say about him, "Don is one of the happiest, most upbeat guys you will ever meet. His positive fun attitude is contagious. He has a beautiful smile that he always wears and he makes every customer feel like a VIP. He recently won the State of Alabama Bartender of the Year Award, so now locals, tourists, snowbirds, and the entire state of Alabama knows that Don is the best bartender ever." The Island Spirit Award is presented monthly by the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber. Penny Groux chairs the Island Spirit Committee. more info: islandspiritaward.com. Pictured: Island Spirit Committee Member Ellen Murphy, March Island Spirit Winner Don DeLong, and LuLu's owner Lucy Buffett.

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WHAT'S HAPPEN-

WED, APRIL 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.
- Tim Spencer: noon; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Jessie Duncan: 5; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Adam Holt: 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, 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.
- Brent Burns: 4; Fin & Fork, Orange Beach.
- West Coast Swing Dance: 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- John Joiner & Friends: 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke w. Cindy & Mary: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- Karaoke w. Aaron Phillips: 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; 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.
- Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 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.
- Arts & Crafts Sales: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Doc's RV Park, Fort Morgan Road, Gulf Shores.
- 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 eligibility 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: 10 a.m.; first Wednesday of each month September thru May; Gulf Shores Activity Center; 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, APRIL 4

- 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.
- Music at Meyer Park featuring Grayson Capps: 6 p.m.; Meyer Park; Gulf Shores.
- Brandon Styles Impressions & Magic Show: 7; OWA Showroom, Foley.
- Open Mic: 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- Tim Roberts: 6:30; Tin Top Restaurant; Bon Secour.
- Scott Koehn: 5:30; Pleasure Island Tiki Bar, Orange Beach.
- Marcus Elizondo: noon; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Or-

ange Beach.

- Marcus Dickie: 5; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; 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.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- DJ/Karaoke with LiL BoB: 8; Island Time Daquari; The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- Karaoke: 6; Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.
- Karaoke: 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- 8 Ball APA: 7:30; The Office, Foley.
- Bridge: noon; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- Rotary Club of Gulf Shores/Orange Beach: noon; Gulf Shores Golf Club; visiting Rotarians and guests invited; 251-968-2000.
- 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.; 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.



ST. PAWTTY'S DAY AT OWA: The 2nd annual St. Pawtty's Day celebration at OWA included a pet parade with some amazing costumes, a fabulous show from Dare Devil Dogs, fun pup-themed vendors, plenty of dancing to a live DJ, and few wonderful dogs up for adoption from the Baldwin County Animal Shelter. The OWA staff is already looking forward to next year's event.



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By CAROLYN GODFREY

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 4 slices Italian bread (1/2 in. thick)
 In a 2-qt. microwave-safe bowl, combine the beef, gravy and mushrooms. Cover and microwave on high for 2-3 min. or until heat ed through. Meanwhile, prepare potatoes according to the package directions. Divide the bread among four plates. Spoon the beef mixture over bread. Serve with potatoes. Enjoy!
 Note: Recipe tested in a 1,100-watt microwave.

Adventures in Narnia April 6 at O.B. Library

Adventures in Narnia - Episode 9: Free Range Stitchin', starts at 11 a.m on April 6 in the meeting room at Orange Beach Library. The class is open to adults and crafty kids ages 12 and up. Stumped by a project? Is working at home making your hair stand on end? Come join Michelle in her class-free zone as she helps, hinders, or cajoles your inner crafter. More info: (251) 981-2923, or mjoh-nson@orangebeachal.gov.

City Rhythm Big Band Dance scheduled April 27 in Loxley

City Rhythm Big Band dances are scheduled April 27 and May 11 at the Loxley Civic Center from 7-10 p.m. Admission is \$10 per person, and ice and water, cups are furnished, BYOB and BYO snacks if you wish. Music will be provided by an 18 piece big band.

- Orange Beach Bridge Club: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.
- AA: Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- AA: 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

FRI, APRIL 5

- Orwin Swift Wine Dinner: 6 p.m.; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- 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 Lounge Tent Stage; Perdido Key.
- Lenten Fish-Frys: 5-7 pm.; Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church; 308 East 22nd Ave.; Gulf Shores.
- Rhonda Hart: 5; Fin & Fork, Orange Beach.
- J.E.R.I.: 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- Mac Walter & T-Bone Montgomery: 5; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.

- Matt & Candy: 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- Ronnie Presley: 6; Playa; Orange Beach.
- Open Jukebox: 7; The Office, Foley.
- JoJo Press: 9; Island Time Daquari; The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- Tim Spencer: noon; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- John Lee Sanders: 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- First Friday Art Walk: 6; Downtown Fairhope.
- Rib Eye Dinner to help Veterans and Families: 5 p.m.; music & dancing at 7 p.m.; American Legion Post 44; Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke w. John Henry: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- Karaoke: 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- Open Jam in the Canteen: 8; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
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Forward City Con April 13 at Foley Civic Center

Foley Public Library will be hosting its 3rd Annual Forward City Con (a comic/anime/gaming convention) on Saturday, April 13 from 10 am - 6 pm, at the Foley Civic Center. The day will include a Cosplay competition, panel discussions, showing of anime, door prizes, video gaming area - manned by Action Game & Movie, tabletop gaming area - unmanned, a Children's Creation Area, door prizes, and more. Several local vendors and many artists will also be on hand.

Panel discussions will include a presentation by Ashley Kupersmith concerning a local movie, "Beyond the Myst" and "Promoting Your Art via Social Media" to be presented by Dior Brown. These will take place in the upstairs meeting room of the Foley Public Library where anime will also be shown throughout the day. The Cosplay competition is open to 60 contestants and offers two categories - "self-made" and "purchased." Online entry for the Cosplay competition is encouraged. Please check the library's website, foleylibrary.org, or call Melanie at 251-943-7665 for more information. The Foley Civic Center is located at 407 E Laurel Ave.

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• 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, APRIL 6

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

• JJ Mack: 11 a.m.; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.

• Brandon Blackburn Duo: 5; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.

• Mason Henderson: noon; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.

• John Brust: 6; Lobby Lounge at Per-

dido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.

• Rhonda Hart: 5; Fin & Fork, Orange Beach.

• Kelly Poole: 5; Pirates Cove, Josephine.

• Red & The Revelers: 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.

• Lefty Collins: 6; Playa; Orange Beach.

• Jason Abel Project: 9; The Office, Foley.

• Brian Hill & Tony Ray: 9; Island Time Daquari; The Wharf; Orange Beach.

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

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

• Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.

• Brandon Styles Impressions & Magic Show: 8; OWA Showroom, Foley.

• Optimist Club of Perdido Bay: Breakfast every Saturday at 8 a.m. at the Lillian Community Club in Lillian; (251) 961-2620; Program: Two Old Men who regularly play and sing at The Front Porch in Lillian will play and tell their

Byrne to speak at April 20 Perdido Bay Optimist meeting

Alabama Congressman Bradley Byrne will speak at the April 20 Optimist Club of Perdido Bay meeting At every Saturday Breakfast meeting at 8 am. at the Lillian Community Club. Guests eat free and are always welcome. Byrne will present his perspective on national events. He is running for U.S. Senate in 2020. For more info, call 251-961-7286.

Other speakers scheduled to speak to the Optimists in April include:

• April 6: Respect for Law Day. District Attorney Bob Wilters, a Baldwin County judge for over 22 years and an OCPB member, organizes this annual event. We thank our judges, county attorneys and police officers and recognize exceptional people in our law community.

• April 13: Hank Graves will discuss the Master of Environmental Education program developed by the Alabama Cooperative Extension System. Baldwin County is unique in the state and possibly the nation by delivering this curriculum to our K-12 students.

• April 27: Christy Kelley, Community Relations Specialist, will describe services provided by the Wound Care & Hyperbaric Medicine Center at SBRMC.



BRENT BURNS VISITS DAYBREAK: The seniors at DayBreak Senior Care were thrilled to be visited by recording artist Brent Burns recently. The popular song writer and singer performed for over an hour and often the seniors sang along. Everyone had a great time! DayBreak Senior Daycare provides a secure, loving environment where individuals suffering from Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia are encouraged to participate in playing games, craft projects, singing, exercising and social interaction. Info: 251-968-2411. Pictured: standing from the left are Andi Carstens, Laura Hagen, Sharon Rogers and Brent Burns. Seated, from the left, are M. J. Vandermost, Peggy Hauk, Velma Tuttle, Jim Rogers, Barney Bonner and Jean Coker.

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Plan is to make NCAA Beach Volleyball Championships best yet

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By Fran Thompson

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beach volleyball tourney, with more than 100 participating teams, will also be held in conjunction with the championship. More events will be added.

Weekend VIP (\$225), courtside seating (\$80) and general admission (\$50) tickets are now on sale at eventbrite.com. Single day tickets will go on sale in early April.

The top eight teams in the country, which as of March 14 included Florida State, LSU and Florida International (see sidebar), will vie for the national championship in Gulf Shores, and LSU's top duo, Claire Coppola and Kristen Nuss (pictured) were claimed AVCA Pair of the Week Honors following a 4-0 performance at the GCU Beach Tournament in Arizona, marking the first time that a pair from LSU has been named the national pair of the week.

The National Collegiate Beach Volleyball Championship was named the NCAA's 90th and national championship in 2016, with Southern Cal winning the historic first title in Gulf Shores and then repeating in 2017, before UCLA prevailed last May. The event is under contract to return through 2022, and ESPN will provide live whip-around coverage of every match throughout the tournament and will televise the championship match live. Beach volleyball is the fastest-growing NCAA sport, with 1,000 student-athletes across the country playing the sport.

Rankings

- 1 - UCLA
 - 2 - Southern California
 - 3 - Florida State
 - 4 - LSU
 - 5 - Pepperdine
 - 6 - Hawai'i
 - 7 - Cal Poly
 - 8 - Fla. International
 - 9 - Long Beach State
 - 10 - South Carolina
- (As of 3/14/19)

collegiate beach volleyball competition in the country, the tourney will include activities such as autograph sessions with all eight participating teams and the championship fan zone, where fans can buy official championship merchandise and interact with other beach volleyball fans.

Cornhole and giant jenga will be on the beach throughout the championship near court no. 3. There will also be a games area for near court 3, with buckets and shovels available to play with. A junior



FWC HONORS MARY CRAWFORD: Some members of the Foley Woman's Club attended a Hattitude Lawn Party on March 10 to honor deceased member, Mary Crawford. Mary was a long-time member of the Foley Woman's Club until her death and always hosted the Club's May picnic at her home on Hammock Bay. Club members wore hats and presented a \$500 donation to the Mary K Crawford Nursing Scholarship fund at the event. Pictured: FWC member Kelly Barrett w. Mary Crawford's daughter Ann.

story.
• 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, APRIL 7

- Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 2 p.m. 'til; (Scheduled on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- Central Flora-Bama Church: Church experiences, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Flora-Bama Tent Stage, Perdido Key.
- Unity Church Service: 9:45 a.m.; Mikees Restaurant, Gulf Shores.
- John Lee Sanders: 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Lisa Zanghi: 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Brittany Grimes: 11 a.m.; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.

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Local and regional (pictured) firefighters, police, EMS, military personnel and the general public to participate in this 31-floor stairwell race where all proceeds benefit the Special Olympics of Alabama.

Another component of this fundraiser is a Lazy River Duck Race benefitting the Miracle League of Coastal Alabama.

"Spectrum Resorts is proud to sponsor the Race the Top, and we are looking forward to another year of supporting the Special Olympics and the Miracle League," said Jillian Pierce, the company's director of Marketing and Guest Services. "We welcome the opportunity to help make a difference for special needs athletes in Alabama."

Visit Racetothetop.TurquoisePlace.com to register for the race or to purchase a \$5 duck for the Lazy River Duck Race. Registration for the Race to the Top is \$30 per person with discounts given for first responders and early online registrations. All participants are invited to enjoy a post-race celebration.

Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics is a volunteer movement that was established by members of the law enforcement community to support Special Olympics. The mission of LETR is to increase awareness and raise funds for the Special Olympics movement. Info: altorchrun.com



Beach.

- Gypsy Pearl: 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- Lisa Christian: 4, Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.
- Jazzman David Jones: 11 a.m.; Playa, Orange Beach.
- The Bell & The Bull: 1:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Co.; Gulf Shores.
- Rhonda Hart and Justin Fobes: 5; Island Time Daquari; The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- Turkey Shoot: sign-up at 11 a.m.; Elberta VFW, Elberta.
- Dinner & Dance w. Music Man and Co.: 5; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- John Joiner & Friends: 4; Hub Stacey's at the Point; Innerarity Point.
- 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, APRIL 8

- 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.
- Tim Spencer: noon; poolside; Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Lisa Zanghi: 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Trivia Night: 7; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.
- Mark Laborde & Smokey Otis: 7 p.m.; Papa Roccas, Gulf Shores.
- Jimmy Lumpkin: 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- Medicine Man: 6; Hub Stacey's at the Point; Innerarity Point.
- Bridge: noon; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- Bingo: 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 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).

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Awakened Life Yoga Retreat April 12-14 at Gulf State Park A space for renewal, play, singing, dancing & contemplation

Registration is still open for the April 12-14 Awakened Life Yoga Festival, a 3-day gathering along the shores of Lake Shelby at Gulf State Park in Gulf Shores featuring yoga, meditation, music, paddle boarding, vendors and a plethora of educational workshops.

Ticket options include weekend passes with camping (\$225), weekend passes (\$175) and one day. For more sponsorship or event information or to purchase tickets, visit AwakenedLifeYogaFestival.com, facebook or call (251) 943-1812. All classes are for all levels.

The 4th annual event is the brainchild of local yoga instructor Jen Hammonds of Roots To Wellness Inc. as a way to bring locals and visitors together to connect with like minded souls.

"Yoga is more than physical poses," Hammonds said. "It's singing and dancing. It's being in nature. It's about making connections and relaxing. We want to incorporate all of its elements and practices. And it's life enhancing getting to be around and getting to know all these good people that show up."

Presenters include fitness motivators, yoga teachers, artists, life coaches and spiritual counselors. Many presenters come just for the joy that is sharing knowledge with others.

- Grief Share: 6 p.m.; Community Hospice Center, Foley.
- 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, APRIL 9

- Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 3 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.
- Marcus Elzondo: noon; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Marcus Dickie: 5; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Brent Burns: 4; Fin & Fork, Orange Beach.
- John Brust: 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Light Travelers: 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke w. John Henry: 5; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
- Bowling Tourney: 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- Karaoke: 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- Free Line Dance Lessons With Lori: 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- JW Karaoke: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- Lisa Christian: 6; Sunset Cork Room, Gulf Shores.
- Brandon Styles Impressions & Magic Show: 7; OWA Showroom, Foley.
- Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon: 5 p.m.; social meeting; locations to be determined, 850-867-5873 or 901-734-1066.
- 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.\
- GriefShare Weekly Grief Support Group: 6 p.m.; Point Church, 13801 Innerarity Point Rd.; 601-278-6973.
- Sonora Masonic Lodge: 7 p.m.; 202 E. Jackson Street in Summerdale; sonora635.com.
- Orange Beach Bridge Club: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.
- Orange Beach Library Children's Story Time: 10 a.m.; preschool; 981-2923.
- Southwest Branch Library Children's Story Time: 10:30 a.m.; preschool; 12248 Gulf Beach Hwy, Pensacola; (850) 453-7780.
- Gulf Shores Kiwanis Club: Palmer Dining Room at Craft Farms; noon; new members and guests always welcome; 251-981-9999.
- Kiwanis Club of Foley: Noon on Tues-

- days 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, APRIL 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.
- Open Mic Night: 5:30; Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.
- Tim Spencer: noon; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Adam Holt: 5; LuLu's at Homeport Marina, Gulf Shores.
- Jessie Duncan: 5; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- John Lee Sanders: 6; Voyagers Restau-

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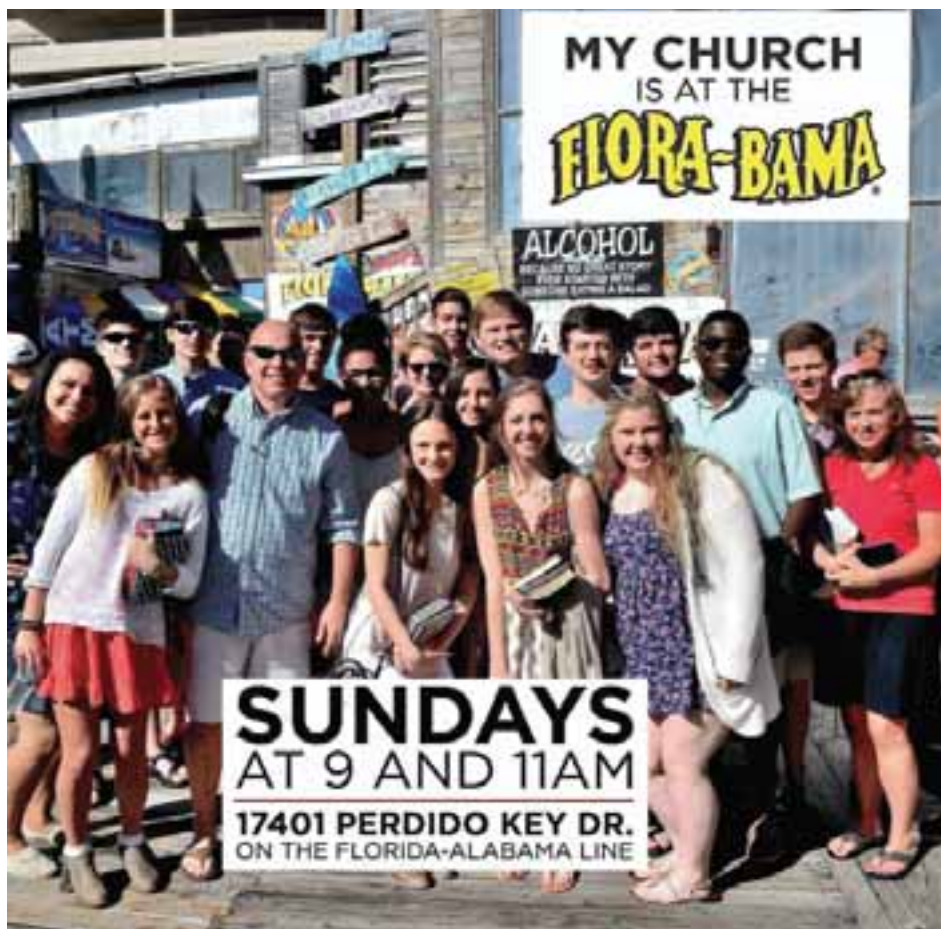


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PERDIDO OPTIMISTS RECOGNIZE STUDENT STANDOUTS: (Above) Optimist Club of Perdido Bay recently hosted the winners of the Annual Essay Contest. First Place winner was Isaiah Nicely. Second Place went to LeeAnn Martin. Standing from left are contest judges Richard Sullivan and Wendy Mott, Elberta High School Counselor Laura Alms and Curriculum Leader Eugenia Robinson. (Below) Eleven Elberta High School students entered the annual Oratorical Contest sponsored by the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay. From left are Contest Chairman Bob Pocreva, First Place winner Baylen Gleason, Second Place winner LeeAnn Martin, OCPB President Jeff Keener. Not pictured is Third Place winner Tyler. The topic for 2019 was "Is There a Fine Line Between Optimism and Realism?"



Volunteer crew needed for Hot Air Balloon Festival

The 15th Annual Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival presented by Tanger Outlets is set for May 3-4 in Foley, Alabama, and volunteers are needed. Volunteers will receive an official 2019 Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival T-shirt and a volunteer parking stamp. To sign up online, visit www.gulfcoast-balloonfestival.com or call 251-943-5550.

For many, the festival brings thoughts of brightly colored balloons gracing the skies, but the event also boasts a variety of other activities. The world-famous Disc-Connected K9's Frisbee Dog Show is a festival favorite, and is back and better than ever. Live music will fill the stage at night, and the kids will be entertained with carnival rides such as The Zipper during the day.

Outside appearances make it seem that the weekend comes together magically – after all, isn't a hot air balloon a magical thing? However, the reality is it requires the help of more than 300 volunteers working behind the scenes, as well as in plain sight. Approximately 50 of those volunteers get to work up close with the pilots.



DENNEY WINS FINAL WATER STAMP ART CONTEST: Jim Denney of Alexander City is the winner of this year's Alabama Waterfowl Stamp Art Contest with his painting of a pair of Northern Pintails. This artwork will be used as the design for the 2020-21 Alabama Waterfowl Stamp, which is required when hunting waterfowl in Alabama. Funds generated by the sales of waterfowl stamps at both the state and federal levels are used for conservation of waterfowl habitat. The win makes Denney the only four-time contest winner, having previously won the 2016-17, 2012-13 and 2008-09 contests. Denney estimates the acrylic painting took him 25-30 hours over the course of a month to complete. "I selected Pintails because they are one of my favorite species and I have a mounted pintail that I harvested in Oklahoma, which is great for reference. I had originally selected Cinnamon Teal as the species to use, but I thought the Pintails might have more regional appeal to the judges," he said. 2020-21 will be the last time Alabama produces a physical waterfowl stamp. The state implemented a lifetime waterfowl stamp and added a waterfowl stamp privilege section to the regular hunting license. Waterfowl hunters will still be required to have either an annual or lifetime state waterfowl hunting privilege designated on their license.

10th Annual Bama Coast Cruise April 26-27 at The Wharf

Bama Coast Cruise announces its return to Orange Beach! This car show has proven to be immensely popular with local residents, tourists and serious car enthusiasts. It will showcase the absolute finest in automotive customized, modified and restored vehicles April 26 & 27, 2019. Over 850 vehicles are expected to be at The Wharf in Orange Beach, for the most unique automotive event the Alabama Gulf Coast has ever seen.

This event is presented by O'Reilly Auto Parts, it is Family Friendly and is sponsored by The Wharf. Bama Coast Cruise is an "open show" and welcomes all makes and models of specialty vehicles, customs, classics, street rods and hot rods, plus antique and original vehicles. As the Event Producer, Sonny McLean, says, "If it is special to you, it is special to us, come on out and cruise the Alabama Gulf Coast"! In addition to over 850 vehicles, there will be vendors, a Swap Meet and entertainment.

Von Hot Rod, internationally known pinstriper and "Master of the Fine Line", will be returning to the event as a special guest. Hot Rod makes his home in California, but travels the world demonstrating the fine art of Pinstriping. He will be at the show throughout the event pinstriping cars and personal items for the public. A DJ will be on hand to keep the music flowing.

For more information on registering your vehicle, being a vendor, being a sponsor or just enjoying the event as a spectator, visit BamaCoastCruisin.com. The show will be open to the public Friday, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Saturday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The event will wrap up with a police escorted parade of show cars leaving The Wharf.



FRIENDS OF FOLEY LIBRARY LEND SUPPORT FOLEY ELEMENTARY: Friends of Foley Public Library recently donated books to Foley Elementary School in teacher Pat Armour's third and fourth grade classes. Although the main goal of the Friends is to raise money for library enhancements, reading projects that improve the Foley community are also of importance. Books are donated throughout the year to the school as part of a new effort by the Friends of the Foley Library. Anyone can donate unwanted books by dropping off at the library. Pictured: Excited third and fourth grade ESL students with books they plan to take home and read.

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PICTURES OF THE WEEK



Blue Herons making a new nest from Ken Groezinger of Shannon, IL.



"Morning calm in Bon Secour," from Shar Eckard.



Sunset in Orange Beach from Lorraine Karpinen.



A drive into the sun on Canal Rd. from Donnie Canaan.



James Wilson shares pictures from Ft. Morgan National Park and Bon Secour Wildlife Refuge.



"Enjoying being away from the hard winter in north Iowa," writes Don Saarie. "Here are a few pictures I took while here."



From Carol Strunk.



From Mary Compeau.



Morning sunrise at the Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo from Steve Ward.



"Goodnight Gulf Shores," from Gwen Foley.

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Tuesday: BBQ Meatloaf 2 sides

Wednesday: Chicken & Dumplings 2 Sides

Thursday: Beef Tips over White rice 2 Sides

Friday: Chef's Special

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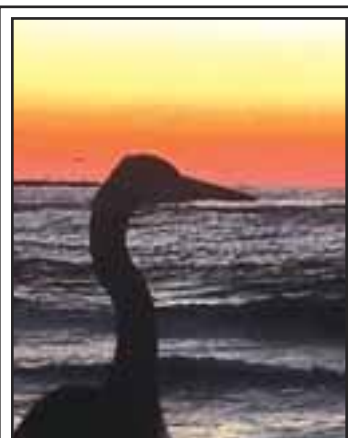
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"Just Another Tequila Sunset" captured by Wayne Van Vliet, Nisswa, MN.



Spider lillies in bloom along the Tensaw Delta courtesy of Fairhope resident John Henderson.



Taken by Gary Cherpes from Michigan.



"Morning calm in Bon Secour," from Shar Eckard.

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14

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14

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10

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10

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