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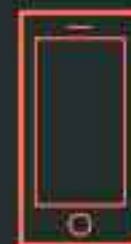


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## LABOR DAY WEEKEND

### Artworks will host Aug. 30 Labor Day Meet & Greet

Artworks Art Gallery on Perdido Key will host a Labor Day meet & greet end of the season party from 6-8:30 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 30. The public is invited to mingle with local artists, friends and family during a casual evening filled with music, refreshments, light snacks and great conversation. Help support our local school children by bringing non-perishable food donations. Artworks is a permanent drop-off site for 325 Zero Hunger which works to help end hunger in our schools.



Artworks Studio & Gallery is located at Villagio on Perdido Key (13700 Perdido Key Dr.). The gallery features local artists displaying original artwork. While there is definitely an island/beach & marine focus, the artists mix in many other themes.

**Pictured:** Artworks Artist of the Month for September is **Christina Steffen**, a St. Louis native and retired high school teacher, Christina who moved here three years ago, after many visits. Christina loves combing the beaches for shells and driftwood, getting creative inspiration, while her husband scuba dives for gems to integrate into her art. Meet Christina Steffen and see a demonstration of her art work on Friday Sept. 6 at 4 p.m. and Wednesday Sept. 11 at 11 a.m.



### Downtown OWA Labor Day Car Show Aug. 31

Classic cars are coming to Foley for the 2nd annual OWA Labor Day Car Show on Saturday, Aug. 31. Unique and classic cars from all over the South will be on display throughout Downtown OWA from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. From hot rods to custom builds, OWA's Labor Day Car Show is bound to have something that catches your eye! Dozens of beautifully crafted cars will line the southern-style streets of Downtown OWA. Sign up to participate in the car show for just \$20 per car. Call Dave Hitchcock at 251-747-6223. All proceeds will benefit the Foley First Baptist Church.

### Stay for the OWA Labor Day fireworks

Stick around and enjoy a spectacular firework show this same night (Aug. 31) at 8:45 p.m. Plus, enjoy live music on OWA's Island by The Essentials from 7:30 - 10:30 p.m. Artworks will host June 30 Independence Day Party



## Optimist Mullet Fest Labor Day at Lillian Community Club

**By Sally McKinney**

Members of the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay are gearing up for their biggest project of the year, the Annual Mullet Festival on Labor Day at the Lillian Community Club.

The day begins with breakfast, followed by the 5K Run and Walk, Mullet Toss, Silent Auction and Déjà vu Market, mullet/catfish/ham lunch, music, raffle, craft vendors, bake sale, blood mobile and more.

Start the fun with the famous Optimist breakfast that is served from 7 to 9 a.m. \$4 will get you eggs, sausage, pancakes, grits, biscuits and gravy, fruit and beverage. Kids under 8 years of age eat FREE!

American Legion Post 48 members will raise the flag in an awe-inspiring presentation at 7:15 a.m., with the race stepping off at 7:30. Awards will be presented in several age groups for the runners and walkers. The 1-Mile Fun Run starts at 8:30. Registration on the day of the race at the LCC begins at 6 a.m.

The Kids' Fun Station opens at 9:30 a.m. and remains open until 2 p.m. Men, women, boys and girls will be competing in the Mullet Toss from 10 a.m. to noon. Awards will be given in several categories.

Gently used items of all kinds will be available for sale in the Déjà Vu Market from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stop by the Silent Auction tables to bid on a variety of items including tools, household items and gift certificates

for everything from dinners to haircuts and beyond.

There's nothing better for lunch than the Optimist Club special mullet/catfish dinner that includes hushpuppies, baked beans, grits, coleslaw, dessert and beverage. Don't like fish? We'll have ham available for you. Cost is \$10 per person, but once again, kids under 8 eat FREE!

Big Jake and the Tag-A-Longs will provide music for listening and dancing from noon to 3 p.m. The Raffle drawing will be held at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. Prizes are \$1,000, \$400, \$200 and \$100.

All proceeds from the event will be used to fund programs to "Bring Out the Best in Kids." Throughout the school year Optimist members work with Elberta and Foley schools on a variety of projects including reading, math tutoring, mentoring, providing Christmas gifts for Special Needs classes, and donations to local organizations that help those in need.

The club provides scholarships to high school seniors and to students to attend the National Flight Academy aboard NAS Pensacola. A Fishing Rodeo, Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast with Santa are also on the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay agenda.

**Pictured:** (clockwise from top left) Charlie Lee, Ty Simmons, MJ Rooks; Alexander Costanza; Carley Johnson; Adele Hartman; Destiny Curry and Rhonda Martin.





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## AROUND TOWN

### Baldwin County Relay For Life Sept. 14 in Loxley

This year's American Cancer Society Relay For Life will be countywide and held on Sept. 14 from 4 - 8 p.m. at Loxley Municipal Park. Teams from across Baldwin County will participate. More info: [forumsforlife.org/coastalsouthbaldwin](http://forumsforlife.org/coastalsouthbaldwin).

The event kicks off by recognizing those in attendance affected by cancer and those who contributed to this year's Relay. A Survivor/Caregiver one lap walk will follow. Food trucks, a children's area with a bounce house and live entertainment are also part of the event, which will conclude with a luminaria ceremony.

### Baldwin County Cancer Chase 5K Sept. 14 at OWA

Another cancer cure fundraiser, the Baldwin County Cancer Chase, will be held on Saturday, September 14 at 8 a.m. at OWA in Foley. The 5k race through OWA benefits the Anchor Cross Cancer Foundation, a local cancer charity that helps cancer patients in Baldwin and Mobile County. Register for the race at [runsignup.com](http://runsignup.com). For more information, call 251-607-5081 or email [info@anchorcrossfoundation](mailto:info@anchorcrossfoundation).

The Anchor Cross Cancer Foundation is here to help residents of the Gulf Coast Region who are in treatment for cancer.

### 8th All About Dogs Rescue Golf Scramble slated Sept. 27

All About Dogs Coastal Rescue will host its 8th Annual Going to the Dogs Golf Scramble to raise funds to support its rescue and adoption efforts on Friday, Sept. 27 at Craft Farms Golf Resort. Registration and lunch begin at 10:30 a.m., with the shotgun start set for noon.

Golfers can sign up individually (\$100) or as a team (\$400) in men's and women's flights for the four player scramble. The fee includes green fees, cart fees, range balls, lunch and prizes. Special hole-in-one prizes include \$10,000 cash, a set of Callaway irons, a Sharp LCD flat screen TV and roundtrip domestic airfare for two. Sponsorships are available. Donations of gift certificates or products for prizes would also be appreciated. For more player or sponsor info, contact tourney director Tom Bruce at 948-5307 or [tomb Bruce1943@gmail.com](mailto:tomb Bruce1943@gmail.com).

All About Dogs Coastal Rescue is an all volunteer group of dedicated animal lovers committed to rescue, rehabilitate and find homes for abused and abandoned dogs in South Baldwin County. Its efforts in taking dogs into the program help reduce the number of healthy dogs euthanized at local shelters. All dogs placed in the non-profit's care are given appropriate and needed medical treatment, temperament evaluation and socialization in preparation for adoption. All dogs are fully vaccinated, spayed or neutered, heartworm tested and treated prior to adoption. Potential adopters are interviewed for a proper match before approval for adoption.



### Bulls on the Beach at Flora-Bama Sept. 5-7


The Flora-Bama Lounge, the world-famous, beachfront roadhouse known for music festivals and the Interstate Mullet Toss, kicks off the fall with Bulls on Beach on Sept. 5-7. This family-fun and high-energy show features cowboys trying to tame more than 2,000 pounds of bucking bull in less than 8 seconds. This invitation only rodeo has professional riders vying for prize money and a chance to compete in the Southeastern Circuit Finals. Local favorites Cody Harris, Bubba Thompson and Chris "Booger" Brown, stars of INSP Networks' "The Cowboy Way," will be among the competitors.

Thursday night's rodeo addition will be half junior riders on miniature bucking ponies and half adult professional bull riders. The young professional cowboys and cowgirls will take the arena on competitive bucking ponies. There will also be a coloring contest for those 12 yrs. and under on Thursday night at intermission. Two coloring sheets will be drawn at random, and one lucky boy and one lucky girl will take home a bicycle.

Doors open at 6 p.m. each night and the rodeo runs from 8-9:45 p.m. with plenty of fun for the whole family, including live music, youth cowboys riding bucking ponies, mechanical bull riding, face painting, balloon animals and plenty of food and drinks. This event is free for children 6 and younger, \$15 per day, \$20 for Fri & Sat combo, or \$25 for all three days for ages 7-17, \$25 per day, \$40 for Fri & Sat combo, or \$45 for all three days for adults.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.





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## AROUND TOWN

### St. Peter's on Bon Secour hosts September 5 fish-fry

St. Peter's Episcopal Church will host an old fashioned fish-fry on Sept. 5 and Oct. 3 at its beautiful campus in Bon Secour from 5-7 p.m. The next feast is Sept. 5. Fried fish plates includes sides of hushpuppies, baked beans, coleslaw, potato salad and dessert for \$10. Eat in or take out. St. Peter's is located on the corner of County Rd. 10 & County Rd. 49 at 6270 County Road 10 in Bon Secour. For more info, call 251-949-6254 or stpetersbonsecour.diocgc.com.

### Al. adds Aug. 31 & Sept. 1 to private snapper season

After completing a review of the 2019 private angler red snapper season through August 5, the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources has determined two additional days can be added to the private angler recreational season. The additional days will begin 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, August 31, 2019, and run until midnight on Sunday, September 1, 2019.

Landing estimates are derived from manda-

tory angler reports submitted through Alabama's Snapper Check Program. Anglers are reminded that greater amberjack is available for voluntary reporting through the Snapper Check app.

Detailed red snapper landing information from the 2018 and 2019 seasons is available at [outdooralabama.com](http://outdooralabama.com).

The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources promotes wise stewardship, management and enjoyment of Alabama's natural resources through four divisions: Marine Resources, State Lands, State Parks, and Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries. To learn more about ADCNR, visit [outdooralabama.com](http://outdooralabama.com).

### New York Times features Pensacola in vacation article

In an article by the New York Times, Pensacola was highlighted as one of the several places in the Florida Panhandle where many families all over the United States go for a beach vacation "with a Southern accent."

Pensacola was featured for the National Naval Aviation Museum as well as being home to the famous Blue Angels. Other areas covered in the article were Destin and Seaside.

The headline simply reads "White Sand, Clear Water."



### Island Spirit awarded to O'Choppers' Miro Hastik & Milan Krizan

The Coastal Alabama Business Chamber recently presented the Island Spirit Award for the months of July and August to Miro Hastik and Milan Krizan of O'Choppers Irish Pub in Orange Beach. Miro and Milan's nominations describe them as funny and caring for customers, all while providing great service for a memorable time at O'Choppers Irish Pub. The Island Spirit Award is presented monthly by the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber and was designed to give recognition to individuals who make special contributions to the quality of life we enjoy in the Coastal Alabama region.



### Tacky Jacks action-track beach chair program allows veterans to increase their mobility and quality of life

By John Mullen

When Tacky Jacks owner Buddy Skipper found out people liked to have their pictures made with the big blue marlin hanging up at his three locations an idea was born.

"He said we ought to try and raise some money with that," CFO Ken Kichler said. "We put a donation box and originally it was for different charities. We've done several different charities over the years. Whatever money our customers drop into the boxes we match that money and make charitable arrangements around that."

"The last five years it's been with action-track chairs or beach chairs."

And, those have gone to veterans with a goal of increasing their mobility and quality of life. The

latest recipient is Jorge Tabares who has a scooter-like wheelchair but was looking to expand his horizons.

"He used to be a very outdoorsy person, until due to the injuries he sustained while on active duty, he fell and broke his neck," Tacky Jacks Director of Marketing Susan Sizemore said. "He does have some movement in his hands and legs, but just not much. We are looking forward to Jorge becoming an outdoorsy person once again."

In the past two years, community groups have joined in to help with the effort. This is the second year for the Treasures of the Isle Mardi Gras krewe presented a check for the program and this year the South Alabama Parrotheads also made a contribution. Tacky Jacks matched both contribu-

tions.

Tacky Jacks has been involved with six all-terrain or beach buggy type wheelchairs and five of those have been given to disabled veterans. A sixth one was bought from Beach 'n' Buggy owners and manufacturers Chance Blaker and Marie Palmer.

"So, if a veteran comes to the beach and wants rent a wheelchair and this one is available they get to rent it for free," Kichler said. "In the summertime, it's hard to get because every week someone wants it."

**Pictured:** (l to r) Members of the South Alabama Parrotheads, The Treasures of the Isle Mardi Gras Krewe and Tacky Jacks employees with Jorge Tabares on his brand new action-track chair.



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## AROUND TOWN



### JR Owen & Thom Oglesby play Sept. 2 Pat Crumby Dance in Loxley

Pat Crumby's Labor Day Dance at the Loxley Civic Center will feature music by well-known Gulf Coast musicians JR Owen & Thom Oglesby from 2-p.m. at 4198 Municipal Park Dr. in Loxley. Admission is \$10 per person at the door. Attendees may bring their own beverages and snacks. Suggested attire is dressy-casual.

Music selections include favorite tunes from yesteryear & contemporary songs suitable for ballroom dancing, swing, freestyle & some line dances, too. Ms. Crumby started the Summer Holiday Dances several years ago & Ms. Denise Blanda has graciously taken time and talent to continue hosting the series of events. For more information, please contact Denise 251.370-7186.

**Pictured:** Over 100 dancers attended the July 4th Pat Crumby Dance event.



**FLOTILLA 32 PAYS TRIBUTE TO JOHN WAYNE KINDRED:** U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 32 recently honored John Wayne Kindred for his outstanding service to community and his 27 years of service with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. John retired from the Department of Defense Federal service in 1991 and joined the US Coast Guard Auxiliary in 1992 in Annapolis. John and his late wife Charolette moved to Gulf Shores in 1995 and joined the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Sailboat Bay Flotilla 32 (now Foley Flotilla). Using his experience as an auditor in the U.S. Navy, John completed numerous audits on behalf of flotillas along the Gulf Coast. He became the Foley Flotilla Commander in 1997. In 2001, the U.S. Coast Guard requested that John conduct an audit on their Non-Appropriated Fund Accounts. John and his team of Auxiliarists went to Hawaii on four separate occasions. In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, John conducted audits of the removal of debris from the coastal counties of Alabama and Mississippi. In 2013 under John's leadership as Flotilla Commander, the flotilla was recognized by Boat U.S. as the best flotilla in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. John has been the Flotilla Commander for nine years. Flotilla 32 meets at American Legion Post 44 (6791 Hwy. 59) on the third Thursday of each month at 11 a.m. More info: 251-533-5593, or Mike Waterfield at 808-561-5358, or John Kindred 251-284-3823.

## SBCT presents "Steel Magnolias" Sept. 5-15

### Blush Cast

Truvy - Dixie Overby  
Annelle - Erin Pempel  
Clairee - Anna Hallex  
(Allison Hendricks 9/7/19)  
Shelby - Ali Livingston  
M'Lynn - Marsha J. Guyer  
Ouiser - Sharon L. Watson

### Bashful Cast

Truvy - Nicole Bryant  
Annelle - Leslee Bryant  
Clairee - Allison Hendricks  
(Anna Hallex 9/14/19)  
Shelby - Chandler Collins  
M'Lynn - Marsha Guyer  
Ouiser - Cynthia Mayo

South Baldwin Community Theatre will present "Steel Magnolias" Sept. 5-7 and Sept. 13-14 at 7:30 p.m. and at 2 p.m. on September 7-8 & Sept. 14-15. Tickets are available at sbct.biz. Tickets are \$15 for students and \$18 for adults.

There are two casts for this show that will alternate performances. Brandi Wittman is the director and Pam Livingston the co-director. Stage manager is Paula Dumas.

"The action is set in Truvy's beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana, where all the ladies who are "anybody" come to have their hair done. Helped by her eager new assistant, Annelle, the outspoken, wise-cracking Truvy dispenses shampoos and free advice to the town's ladies: rich curmudgeon, Ouiser; an eccentric millionaire, Miss Clairee; and the local social leader, M'Lynn, whose daughter, Shelby, is about to marry a "good ole boy." Filled with hilarious repartee and not a few acerbic but humorously revealing verbal collisions, the play moves toward tragedy when, in the second act, the spunky Shelby risks pregnancy and forfeits her life. The sudden realization of their mortality affects the others, but also draws on the underlying strength—and love—which give the play, and its characters, the special quality to make them truly touching, funny and marvelously amiable company in good times and bad."

SBCT will also present "The Diary of Anne Frank" in September, with shows scheduled September 27 & 28, and October 4 & 5 @ 7:30 pm. and September 29 & October 6 (Sunday) @ 2:30 p.m. The play is directed by Jan Vest. Rose Mary Asman is the assistant director. South Baldwin Community Theater is located at 2022 West 2nd St. in Gulf Shores. For more info or to buy tickets, visit sbct.biz or call 251-968-6721.

### Memorable quotes from "Steel Magnolias"

**Truvy:** Oh, sweetheart, don't. Please don't cry or I will too. I have a strict policy that nobody cries alone in my presence.

**Ouiser:** The only reason people are nice to me is because I have more money than God.

**Truvy:** Oh, Sammy's so confused that he don't know whether to scratch his watch or wind his butt.

**Clairee:** They were both high. They'd been smokin' everything but their shoes.

**Truvy:** I'm just screamin' at my husband; I can do that any time!

**Annelle:** Miss Truvy, I promise that my personal tragedy will not interfere with my ability to do good hair.

**Truvy:** When it comes to pain and sufferin', she's right there with Elizabeth Taylor.

**Ouiser:** He is a boil on the butt of humanity!

**Truvy:** Smile! It increases your face value.

**Clairee:** The only thing that separates us from the animals that are our ability to accessorize.

**Clairee:** I love ya more than my luggage.

**Shelby:** Pink is my signature color.

**Truvy:** Honey, time marches on and eventually you realize it is marchin' across your face.

**Truvy:** In a good shoe, I wear a size six, but a seven feels so good, I buy a size eight.

**Clairee:** Ouiser, you sound almost chipper. What happened today - you run over a small child or somethin'?

**Truvy:** Laughter through tears is my favorite

emotion.

**Truvy:** There's so much static electricity in the room, I pick up everything but boys and money.

**Ouiser:** I'm not crazy, I've just been in a very bad mood for forty years!

**Clairee:** Well, you know they say: if you don't have anything nice things to say about anybody, come sit by me!

**Ouiser:** I'm not as sweet as I used to be.





# Elberta K of C Chapter BBQ plates on Aug. 31

The Knights of Columbus Chapter 2736 will host a BBQ dinner at the K of C Hall at 2736 Old Foley Rd. (off of hwy 98) in Elberta on August 31 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Barbecue dinners with either pork or chicken and baked beans, slaw, bread and dessert will be offered for \$10 per plate.

# Estate records is topic Sept. 14 at Foley Library

The Baldwin County Genealogical Society will welcome guest speaker Bert Outlaw to its September 14 meeting at the at the Foley Public Library (319 E. Laurel Ave.). Outlaw will talk about estate records. The meeting starts at 10 a.m.

Meetings are free and open to the public. Following the presentation, guests are invited to join society members for light refreshments and discussion of research tips and brick walls.

Estate records can be a goldmine of information for family history researchers. Probate records are court documents that may provide names and details about the deceased's spouse, children, and other relatives. They can also reveal much about the way our ancestors lived. Bert is a member and past president of the West Florida Genealogical Society. His program delves into what constitutes probate and explains the records' tremendous value to genealogical research. For more info, visit [baldwinge-nealogy.org](http://baldwinge-nealogy.org).

# O.B. Festival of Art earns top 100 award

The Orange Beach Festival of Art ranked among top shows in nation by Sunshine Artist magazine. For the first time, the Orange Beach Festival of Art has broken into Sunshine Artist magazine's Top 200 rankings. Not only did the Festival of Art get a ranking this year, it came in at No. 39 of the "Top 100 Fine Art and Design Shows" in the nation in 2019. The success of the show's artists, which is reported and tabulated through Sunshine Artist, reflects the hard work of the festival's steering

committee and volunteers, in addition to the unparalleled support of the City of Orange Beach and the Friends of the Arts Inc.

For more than 45 years, the Festival of Art has been Pleasure Island's first rite of spring. It is a celebration of visual, performing, musical and culinary arts. With more than 100 artists working in a dazzling variety of media, festival-goers always have plenty to see, hear, touch, taste and experience. The show returns to the Coastal Arts Center campus and Waterfront Park along the shores of Wolf Bay on March 14-15, 2020 in Orange Beach.

# Graceful Journey w. Aging Parents seminar starts Sept. 17

Planning a Graceful Journey with Aging Parents, a four-week seminar to provide information that will help you prepare for the future with your parents, will be held for four consecutive Tuesdays (Sept. 17 & 24, Oct. 1 & 8) from 6 - 7:30 p.m. in the Brooks Center at Orange Beach United Methodist Church (28751 Canal Rd).

There is no charge for the seminar, and it is open to everyone, but pre-registration is requested to ensure there is enough material. The seminar is suited for both children and parents.

For more information, contact Carolyn Brady 2at 51-605-1006, [carolyn\\_brady@bellsouth.net](mailto:carolyn_brady@bellsouth.net) or [orangebeachumc.org](http://orangebeachumc.org).

Participating speakers include an attorney, physician, social worker, and leaders of organizations within the South Baldwin community such as the O.B. Senior Center and Council on Aging.

# Run/Walk For Prostate Cancer Sept. 14 at 'Bama

The Flora~Bama's Ole River Grill will host the 6th Annual 5.8k Run/Walk for Prostate Cancer Awareness on September 14 at the 7:30 a.m. in front of The Flora~Bama Ole River Grill. The course runs West on Perdido Beach Blvd into Orange Beach to the Perdido Pass Bridge and back. Participants can pre-register at [active.com](http://active.com) or on race day.

The 2018 event at Ole River Bar raised \$8,100 for the PFC. The races have raised a total of over \$33,000 over the past five years while raising awareness to protect the men in our lives from this disease.

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# Capt. Bobby Walker puts angler on record setting amberjack

## 3rd generation charter captain sees record that stood for 38 years fall

By Fran Thompson

It's no real surprise that it was Orange Beach native Bobby Walker's charter boat that carried what turned out to be a state record setting amberjack back to Zeke's Marina earlier this month.

With 55 years experience fishing local waters, Walker is, at the very least, part of any conversation about who is the best salt water fisherman in the state.

What is remarkable is that the record stood for 38 years, longer than the record setting angler, Brian Andrews, fishing with a group of hardware business pals, has been alive. Andrews' 132-pound, 12.8-ounce fish topped the previous record for jack by a whopping five pounds.

This is the third 100 plus lb. amberjack that Walker has put onboard the Summer Breeze II. Both of the other jacks weighed 109 lbs. and were caught about 10 years ago on the same day and spot.

"I've caught plenty of big amberjacks during my day, but that was crazy," Walker said.

Marcus Kennedy of Mobile held the state amberjack record for almost four decades for a fish he caught on June 19, 1981. Andrews, a Citronelle resident, broke that record on August 23.

Even though he had a scholarship offer to play football at Livingston University in hand, upon graduating from Foley High School in 1969, Bobby decided to follow a family tradition that dates back to the beginning of the charter fishing industry in Orange Beach.

One of Bobby's forbearers, Lemuel Walker Sr., settled on Pleasure Island around 1865.

When his son Lemuel Jr. moved here to take care of his aging father in the 1890s, the Walker family's lineage began to flourish. The Walkers were also instrumental in the delivery of mail in the area.

The Walker and Callaway families, specifically Bobby's grandfather, Rufus Walker, Sr., his Uncle Roland and Emel Callaway, were pioneers of the charter boat fishing industry on the Alabama Coast.

In the late 1950's, Bobby's father, Captain Bob Walker, was active in getting the first Alabama artificial reef program approved. Alabama now has the largest artificial reef zone on the Gulf Coast.

"As a child, I was fortunate to see the first barge of artificial reef materials as it was deployed off the coast of Alabama," Bobby said.

Before he was even old enough to vote, Bobby was leading charters from the helm of The Thelma Ann, a six passenger boat he eventually inherited from his father. This was way before Loran, back when captains used compasses and shore points to navigate.

"Eventually GPS came along and now everybody's a fisherman," Bobby said.

In 1983, Bobby built the Summer Breeze, one of the first multi-passenger boats to offer overnight off-shore fishing in Orange Beach. Ten years later, he built his current boat, The Summer Breeze II.

Robby, Walker, one of Bobby's three children (He has six grandchildren.) is also a charter captain.

And his grandson, Chandler, has been getting sea time deckhanding with his dad all summer. Robby expects that his son will be the fifth generation of his family to earn his charter captains' license this winter.

"Chandler has a lot of choices, and he also loves his surfing and skateboarding," Robby said. "But except for owning a gym on the beach, this is all I ever wanted to do. It's always been my passion."

When Andrews set his hook, he wasn't even sure there was an amberjack on the other end of the line. He had caught a 70-pounder earlier in his fishing career, and Bobby's spot has long been productive for the species. But this fish was different.

"I was trying to be positive, but several people were telling me it was a shark," Andrews told David Rainer. "He was pulling like a shark, but you never know. He made at least three big runs. It took at least 30 minutes to get him in. When he makes a run, all you can do is hold the rod and watch him go. When he starts peeling drag, you just hold on. When he stops peeling drag, you have to start taking some of the line back."

Bobby was also worried that Andrews was wrestling one of the big bull sharks that were hanging out in the same vicinity.

"We had already caught two or three good jacks off that hole and broke off a couple. I was just hoping we weren't wasting time reeling up a big shark," he said.

When Andrews finally reeled the big fish to the surface, deckhand Paul Resmondo set the gaff and led the team trying to get the jack onboard. It measured 65 inches from the tip of its snout to the fork of its tail and sported a 40-inch girth.

"When that fish hit the deck, his mouth flopped open, and he looked like he could swallow a basketball," Bobby said. "His head was huge. I told them I'd lay money that the fish was at least 100 lbs. I didn't think any more about it."

Back at Zeke's Marina, Walker was filing paperwork



when he heard a commotion that got his attention.

"People were hollering and raising Cain and I wondered what was going on," he said. "They had hauled the fish up on the scales. When I saw it, I said, 'Whoa.' Tom Ard (captain of Fairwater II Charters) looked at me and said, 'Bobby, you've got a state record.'"

Obviously, when you spend 50 plus years putting customers on top of fish in the Gulf, you are going to bring plenty of lunkers back to the dock.

Walker said amberjack are usually around some kind of structure – wrecks, petroleum rigs or big rocks on natural bottom – and can be anywhere from 50 feet to 300 feet down. He said it's easy to distinguish between the different snappers and the amberjack. He marks AJs on his bottom machine and tells his anglers how far to drop.

Although a lot of anglers will use big jigs for amberjack, Bobby prefers live bait. "Hardtails (blue runners) are probably the best bait," he said. "Jigs used to work great, but AJs are just not as plentiful and are harder to catch. We just like to drop a big, live bait down and see what's down there."

"The secret to catching a big AJ is having the right tackle. You've got to go pretty heavy. You can't catch one like that on light tackle. First, you've got to get him away from the wreck or the rocks. You've got to have some pretty strong tackle to do that. If you can get him away from the structure, you've got a good chance of catching him."

Walker said amberjack fishing has been a little slow so far, but he knows fishing success is cyclical.

"One year it's great, and the next year you're wondering where the AJs went," he said. "This has started out like one of those years that's down a little."

Walker said the demand to catch amberjack doesn't compare with red snapper. He fished 55 of the 62-day charter boat snapper season.

"People like to catch amberjacks, but it's nothing like the bookings we get for snapper," he said. "I've got some more 12-hour trips coming up. I'm probably going back to that amberjack hole. I want to see if lightning strikes twice in the same spot."

**Pictured:** Brian Andrews and Capt. Bobby Walker celebrate after the AJ was weighed on the certified scales at Zeke's Marina; Capt. Bobby at the helm.

*Editor's Note: David Rainer from The State of Alabama contributed much to this story*





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## AROUND TOWN

### Gulf Shores presents Movies at Meyer Park in Oct.

The City of Gulf Shores is excited to announce the second annual Movies at Meyer Park series, scheduled for October 3, October 17 and October 24. Locals and visitors are invited to bring their lawn chairs and blankets and join us at Meyer Park for a movie under the stars.

Movies at Meyer Park will feature a series of three movies brought to you by Small Town, Big Beach Productions. The first screening will be "Ghostbusters" on October 3, followed by "The Goonies" on October 17 and "Beetlejuice" on October 24.

"After a great turnout for our first-ever Movies at Meyer Park series last year, the Special Events Division is excited to invite our residents and visitors back for our second annual event," Programs & Events Manager Brigette Reynolds said. "We encourage our residents to bring their friends and family, snacks and refreshments, and something comfortable to sit on and join us for all three of these family-favorites."

All Movies at Meyer Park showings are free to the public and begin at 6 p.m. Meyer Park is located in the Waterway Village District at 400 East 22nd Avenue in Gulf Shores.

For more information about Movies at Meyer Park, contact the City of Gulf Shores Special Events Division at 251-968-1171 or visit [gulfshoresal.gov/movies](http://gulfshoresal.gov/movies).



### Final free summer yoga class Aug. 30 at Gulf Place

The final class of the City of Gulf Shores Summer Yoga Series is on Friday, Aug. 30 at Gulf Place Town Green and Public Beach at 6:30 p.m. The class is free and the instructor is Adwiti Haffner. For more info, call 251-968-9824.

### First Annual Magnolia Firefighter's Festival Sept. 7

The First Annual Magnolia Firefighter's Festival, a fundraiser for Magnolia Springs Fire Rescue, will be held on Saturday, Sept. 7 from 3-7 p.m. at the town's fire department campus (14809 Gates Ave.). General admission tickets are \$15 (\$5 for children 10 and under).

For more info, visit [magnoliaspringsfire.com](http://magnoliaspringsfire.com), call (251) 965-7808 or go to facebook. Many sponsorship options are available.

Festival fun will include food trucks, a children's section, beer and wine, live music and vendor booths and exhibits.



### Sept. 14 Dinner In The Dark & Casino Night at Erie Meyer

The Gulf Shores Lions Club will present its Casino Night & Dinner in the Dark on Saturday, September 14 at the Erie Meyer Civic Center in Gulf Shores. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the event is from 7-11 p.m. Tickets are \$75 per individual and \$125 per couple. Tickets include music, a steak & shrimp dinner, drinks & casino games with \$5000 in casino money for each guest.

For tickets or more information, call (251) 709-9524 or (859) 380-0781 or visit the club's website, facebook and/or facebook event pages.

Full table sponsorships (\$400 for a table of 8) are available until Sept. 4. Live Auction items and donations are being solicited.

Proceeds from the event will benefit Miracle League of Coastal Alabama, Leader Dogs for the Blind and Dolphin Foundation for Education and Arts in the Gulf Shores City Schools.

Lions Club International's motto is "We Serve." Specifically, the club seeks to raise awareness of diabetes, preserve sight, and serve those who have already lost or never had the ability to see. In addition to raising funds for great causes, the dinner will help bring awareness to people by experiencing what it is like to have a meal as a vision impaired person does every day.

**Pictured:** 2018 Gulf Shores Lions Club President Pete Horton and Membership Chairman Scott Harris with the awards, including the prestigious William Chandler Award, their club received for having the highest growth in membership in their district and the state.



### Justin Moore & Easton Corbin on 'Bama Beach Sept. 1

Justin Moore (**above**) will launch The Flora-Bama Lounge and Package Sunset Beach Concert Series on Sunday, September 1. Gates open at 3 p.m. General admission prices \$49.50 for general admission. Sandbar Pit tickets are \$59.50; and VIP's \$89.50, plus taxes and fees (all subject to change). For more information, visit [florabama.com](http://florabama.com).

#### Schedule

11 a.m. - Box office opens  
3 p.m. - Gates open  
4:15 p.m. - Trea Landon  
5:15 p.m. - Easton Corbin  
6:45 p.m. - Justin Moore

Come early from 1-3 p.m. to get ahead of the crowd to get your tickets and wristband checkpoints done, then enjoy the world famous Flora-Bama until concert beach gates open. The first act, Trea Landon, takes the stage at 4:15 p.m. Easton Corbin is scheduled at 5:15 p.m.

Moore has built a loyal fanbase over the past decade with his traditional country sound and captivating live shows. Those fans will hear new music from Moore's summer release and its lead track, "The Ones That Didn't Make It Back Home."

The Arkansas native spent three years putting the project together, which served as a follow up to his second No. 1 album release, *Off The Beaten Path*. Moore holds seven No. 1 singles under his signature white cowboy hat, including "Point at You" and "Lettin' The Night Roll."

His previous albums, Justin Moore and Outlaws Like Me, included seven top 10 hits and earned multiple ACM, ACA and ACC Award nominations.

Corbin (**below**) introduced himself in 2009 with "A Little More Country Than That" — a traditional-style ballad that fully committed him to the country lifestyle, along with a voice that drew comparisons George Strait.





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**Pictured:** (Right) Italian born artist, Giulia Sciutto is among the featured artists displaying at the GCAA Art Market on Sept. 7. Born and raised in Genoa, Giulia has lived in Daphne for 20 years. Her specialty is hand-crafted contemporary, modern, unique, organic jewelry. **(Below & Far Right)** Artists displaying their work during the March Art Market at Gulf Shores Presbyterian Church.







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By George Ridder



"But you just had two weeks off," said the boss. "Why didn't you get married then?"

"What, and ruin my vacation?" she answered.

Ralph took a job with a construction to paint lines on Texas Road 82. The first day he painted ten miles. The boss was very impressed.

The second day he painted two miles. The boss was a little disappointed. The third day he only painted 500 feet.

The boss sat him down and said, "Ralph, how come you paint ten miles the first day, two miles the next day, but only 500 feet today?".

Ralph replied, "Well boss, each day I get farther and farther away from the paint can".

"We're looking for a Treasurer for the Xmas fund," said Paddy. "Didn't you take on a new one last month?" said Murphy.

"That's the one we're looking for," Paddy replied.

A farmer walks into a hardware store and asks for a chainsaw that can cut down 6 trees in one hour. The salesman recommends the top of the line model. The farmer is suitably impressed, and buys it. The next day he brings it back, complaining that it would only cut

down 1 tree and it took all day!

The salesman takes the chain saw, starts it up to see what's wrong, and the farmer says, "What's that noise?"

Last week a friend and I decided to take a day off and go to the race track.

I bet on a horse at 10 to one.  
It came in at quarter past four.

A psychiatrist congratulated his patient on making such good progress.

"You call this progress?" snapped the patient. "Six months ago, I was Abraham Lincoln. Now I'm a nobody!"

Attending the funeral of a close friend I thought I recognized a lady I had not seen in 25 years.

I went up to her and said, "You look like Helen Black."  
She replied, "You don't look so good in brown!"

Michelle: I hear you broke off your engagement to Rob. Why?

Irina: It's just that my feelings toward him weren't the same any more.

Michelle: Are you returning the ring?

Irina: My feelings toward the

ring haven't changed one bit!

When Mother was ill, father volunteered to go to the supermarket for her. She sent him off with a carefully numbered list of seven items.

David returned shortly, very proud of himself, and proceeded to unpack the grocery bags. He had one bag of sugar, two dozen eggs, three hams, four boxes of detergent, five boxes of crackers, six eggplants, and seven green peppers.

"Man, me and my wife had a fight yesterday."

"Oh yea, about what?"  
"You see, I wanted to watch the game but she wanted to watch a movie."

"So, how was the movie?"

Joe: "Last night while I was going over the bills, I discovered how much money my wife squanders and I hit the roof. I stormed into the bedroom and gave her a lecture on economy and thrift."

Joe: "Yes. Tomorrow we're selling my boat and sailing equipment."

After years of scrimping and

saving, a husband told his wife the good news, "Honey, we've finally saved enough money to buy what we started saving for in 1979!"

"You mean a brand-new Cadillac?" she asked eagerly.

"No," said the husband, "a 1979 Cadillac!"

A news photographer call the local airport to charter a flight to shoot a huge forest fire approaching town. He was told a twin-engine plane would be waiting for him at the airport. Arriving at the airfield, he spotted a plane warming up outside a hanger. He jumped in with his bag, slammed the door shut, and shouted, "Let's go!" The pilot taxied out, swung the plane into the wind and took off. Once in the air, the photographer instructed the pilot, "Fly over the valley and make low passes so I can take pictures of the fires on the hill-sides."

"Why?" asked the pilot.

"Because I'm a photographer for cable news, and I need to get close up shots."

The pilot was strangely silent for a moment, finally he stammered, "So, you're NOT my flight instructor?"

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# Gulf Shores to enhance roadways, parking in Beach District

By John Mullen

City officials will be visiting with residents and business owners in the Downtown Beach District this fall to discuss changes coming in the form of a \$4.4 million vitalization project.

On Aug. 26, the council voted to pay Volkert \$424,000 to design the construction engineering and inspection, get the necessary state and environmental permitting and doing geotechnical testing on the areas affected. The project will be in the areas from beach road north two blocks to Second Avenue and will spread east to west from East Second Street to West Second Street.

“Once we get a final map drawn and analyzed and we believe its what we want to build – we did the same on Highway 59 – we will go down and go door to door and talk to everybody about what we’re doing and why we’re doing it,” Mayor Robert Craft said. “We’ll take input to make sure we can take their considerations into play. That worked really for us on Highway 59 when we modified all those turn-ins and outs and talked to every person affected.”

The entire project will include reworking roadways in the area and utilizing city rights of way to add space for parking. Craft says this is to encourage business growth in the area of town that was first platted for residential use.

“When we look at trying to do some kind of walking district allow for some development these are just really small lots,” Craft said. “And a really small lot to build something that requires parking. It’s very limited to what they can build and park.”

With this project, the city will essentially provide the parking for them.

“With us doing this with city money we are conceptually discussing allowing them to buy down their parking, pay us to build more parking in lieu of building parking on their property. Therefore, they’ve got the full lot that they have the opportunity to develop on.”

Public Works Director Mark Acreman said there are about 214 city parking spots in the district now and plans are to increase that to 324. That number could change, Acreman

said, if there are unforeseen obstacles like utility placement.

“This is a conceptual plan and it is subject to change,” Acreman said. “It does show the basic intent as well as the volume of parking we hope to add to this whole the beach downtown area and walking district. We can have people that can come down and park and enjoy the existing businesses and we hope to see new businesses come to this area as a result of these improvements.”

Another part of the project that will help is the implementation of a stormwater master plan to handle runoff from heavy rains. With that in place, new businesses won’t have to plan for retention ponds to collect the water giving them more room to develop on the available space.

“We had a master stormwater plan that was completed last year and will be implemented as part of this project,” Acreman said. “That will allow for more urbanized development in the beachfront district.”

Gulf Shores is taking advantage of two grants and some cash from the Embassy Suites hotel partnership to pay for about \$2 million of the project, Acreman said.

“We’ve been awarded an \$800,000 TAP grant for the sidewalk components,” Acreman said. “We received a \$60,000 ACAMP grant for the master planning for the stormwater system. Then there is the \$1.2 million payment for parking improvements that will be provided through the Embassy Suites development agreement.”

The rest will part of the Public Works request in the 2020 budget year. The design phase is expected to take about 90 days or so with the bid letting period to follow.

“We would likely not start this type of construction project until next year,” Acreman said. “It’s going to have to be carefully scheduled and organized through the summer season as well as the construction phase of the Embassy Suites.”

This new project comes on the heels of the \$15 million Gulf Place Revitalization Project which revamped a portion of Gulf Place and put parking and a public safety building on city-owned Gulf front west of the Regatta Condominiums.



## Canal Road Corridor plan coming soon

By John Mullen

Ryan Shamburger at Big Beach Brewing Co.’s business sits a few 100 feet from the 90-degree intersection at Canal Road and East Second Street in Gulf Shores.

Volkert engineering firm is trying to find an alternative to the turn and is doing a study for the city on easing this bottleneck.

“I get asked often when (the city) might give us an update for the Canal Corridor Project,” Shamburger said during a recent council meeting.

He got what Public Works Director Mark Acreman believes is good news.

“We were able to achieve routing that traffic around the community and not through the community,” Acreman said. “We’re getting some final blessings on some of those alignments now. I’m hoping maybe within the next 30 days and no more than 60 we can have something back to you guys to see again just to show you the progress we’ve made.”

But it’s not without some hurdles to overcome with government permitting. Gulf Shores must deal with the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and the Army Corps of Engineering.

One route might cross a smidgen of Gulf State Park and both may affect wetlands in the area. The city is looking to go south of the neighborhood bordered by Canal Road on the north and East Second Street on the west.

“We actually met with some of the governmental bodies that will have a major say in the alignment last week,” Acreman. “Those discussions I felt were very positive and so we should be coming back in the very near future with a new corridor.”

Acreman said a minimal amount of tweaks were suggested by the officials at the meeting.

“When we presented this a couple of months back, we knew we had to get some government buy-ins from the DCR, the Corps of Engineers,” Acreman said. “We’ve met with a lot of those groups and it has changed the alignment a little bit.”

The two routes in question would have traffic turn south onto East 10th Street and connect with a new road that will have a westward turn until it heads west to connect to Dolphin Avenue. There’s a light at Dolphin and East Second Street which will give traffic access to the ICW bridge by going straight or to the beach by turning left and catching State Route 59 there.

Gulf Shores officials hope this change will make pedestrian traffic going from the Waterway Village District on the west side of Second Street East at West 24th Avenue to the neighborhood where Shamburger’s brewery, Meyer Park and residential housing are located.





## GULF SHORES CITY COUNCIL



### Owners seek annexation to gain access to schools

By John Mullen

During the Sept. 16 regular session, Gulf Shores City Council:

- Annexed 13 acres of property at 5584 County Road 6 (pictured) owned by Mr. & Mrs. Billy Childers. Currently, there is a 30-unit RV Park and the property is contiguous to the City Limits of Gulf Shores. If annexed it will be zoned residential but the RV park will be grandfathered in. The applicants are requesting annexation so their grandchildren can attend Gulf Shores City Schools.
- Annexed two lots from the Taylor's Riverview Subdivision owned by Jeannine Perry. The annexation is due to the formation of the Gulf Shores City School system.
- OK'd an application for a \$400,000 grant from the FAA with the Gulf Shores Airport Authority matching about \$20,000 to receive the grant. It will be used to rehabilitate lighting on three of the airport's taxiways.
- OK'd helping the Gulf United Metro Business Organization with \$10,000 to help with the group's Oct. 16-18 Tourism Economic Development Summit for its members, the Baldwin County legislative delegation, tourism executives, and state officials. Other cities are also being asked to contribute to the conference.
- Authorized staff to pursue a \$15,000 grant funding from the Gulf Coast Resource Conservation Development Council to establish a tree-planting program with Gulf Shores schools, the Gulf Coast Center for Ecotourism and Sustainability and the Beautification Board.
- Accepted South Alabama Purchasing Association bid award to Davison Fuels for gasoline, diesel, and lubricants as budgeted within each department. The contract is for one year with an option for two additional years. SAPA has held the contract since 2008.
- Granted the Family Dollar Store in the former Winn Dixie shopping center on Alabama 59 and The Sloop restaurant in the former Delta Blues location a liquor license.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### County expected to take ownership of Perdido Key Dr. Florida would take control of Beulah Dr. as part of land swap

Escambia County Commissioners are expected to approve legislation to take control of Perdido Key Dr. and transfer part of Beulah Dr. to the State of Florida at its Sept. 5 meeting. According to a Jim Little story in the Pensacola News Journal, the transfer will allow the state to pay for a new Interstate 10 exit at Beulah Rd. and allow Escambia County to make traffic improvements on Perdido Key Dr. Under the proposed agreement, 2.5 miles of Beulah Road from Mobile Highway to Isaacs Lane would transfer to state control, opening up state dollars to expand and improve the road, and Perdido Key Drive would transfer to county control.

Commissioner Jeff Bergosh, who represents the Beulah area, said the county doesn't have the money to add an interstate interchange there. The Beulah Road I-10 exit is also key to the county's long-range sector plan, which calls for a new connector from Beulah Rd. to U.S. 29 in Cantonment, according to the News-Journal. "I think everyone recognizes it's the most important project in the county," Bergosh said.

Commissioner Doug Underhill, who represents Perdido Key, told the News Journal when the county takes over Perdido Key Dr., it will immediately begin installing better pedestrian crossings and implement changes to improve traffic slowdowns at the state line. The Flora-Bama has been paying the full cost of hiring Escambia County deputies to work as crossing guards at the state line for many years.

Underhill also told the News Journal that the county could pursue a traffic circle or traffic light at the intersection of Johnson Beach Rd. and Perdido Key Dr and FDOT will keep its funding in place for the planned bike path along Perdido Key Dr.

Skeptics on social media have questioned whether the county would have the funds to rebuild Perdido Key Dr. after the next major storm, according to the News Journal. Underhill told the newspaper Escambia County could use reserve funds to repair the road and then seek reimbursement from the Federal Highway Administration and FEMA.

Perdido resident Randy Cudd is one of the social media skeptics. "Escambia County is broke. It can't keep up with the roads it has now," he said. "They will never spend the kind of money necessary to make Perdido Key Dr. a functional road. Even though the county can make road changes easier than the State of Florida, it can't afford to."

The Perdido Key Assn. supports the land swap as a way to jump start movement on the Perdido Key Master Plan, which includes a major modification to the Perdido Key Drive/Johnson Beach Road intersection.

"We support the proposal to change control of Perdido Key Drive from the State of Florida to Escambia County, an arrangement that should improve both vehicular and pedestrian/bicycle safety and perhaps facilitate fulfillment of the Perdido Key Master Plan," said president Charles Krupnick.



### Foley Gardeners meet Sept 19 at Foley Library

Foley Garden Club will have their first meeting of the new season September 19 at the Foley Public Library second floor meeting room. Everyone is invited, but since the library does not open until 1 p.m. on Thursdays, you will have to knock on the back door and let a staff members know that you are there for the garden club meeting.

At this first meeting only, please bring your lunch such as a sandwich and a drink, and we will go over the program for the coming year. For more info, contact Linda Ford at 251-972-8721, and please leave a message, if no answer.

**Pictured:** President Gayle Floyd and Fran Ables, who presented a very informative program at one of our past meetings on herbs and their non-culinary uses.

### THU, AUG 29

- **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.
- **Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks):** 7:30 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Greg Brown:** 2 p.m.; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Ft. Morgan.
- **Karaoke Dance Party:** 8; The Sandshaker, The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- **John Keuler:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulus; Gulf Shores.
- **Platinum Premier:** 6, Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.

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- **The Sideliners:** 6; The Hangout, Gulf Shores.
- **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Lefty Collins:** 5; Playa, Orange Beach.
- **Tim Roberts:** 6:30; The Tin Top, Bon Secour.
- **Open Mic:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- **Chris Beverly:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Karaoke:** 8; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Coping Conversations Grief Support Group:** 9:30 a.m.; Nix Center, Fairhope, 251-626-5255 or 251-928-2835.
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## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### City of Gulf Shores announces 2019 Sunset Series at Gulf Place

The City of Gulf Shores will present the 2019 Sunset Series at Gulf Place every Thursday in September. All Sunset Series events will begin at 6 p.m. at Gulf Place Town Green and Public Beach. Admission is free to the public.

The Series will kick off on September 5 with a movie screening of Aquaman, rated PG-13. Residents and visitors are invited to bring a blanket, lawn chair, snacks and cooler and join us for a movie under the stars right beside our beautiful beach front.

The Trio, featuring Carl Jackson, Jerry Salley and Larry Cordle, will take the stage on September 12 as a preview to the Frank Brown International Songwriters Festival.

Carl Jackson has recorded hundreds of songs with sales in excess of 40 million units. Jackson has been inducted into the Mississippi Musician's Hall of Fame and has been honored by the state with an official Country Music Trail Marker in his hometown of Louisville.

Jerry Salley, referred to by Billboard Magazine as "one of Music Row's greatest veteran tunesmiths," has had an incredibly successful songwriting career. Salley has had over 450 songs recorded in his multi-award winning career. To date Salley's songs have sold in excess of 15.5 million records worldwide and internationally he has penned no less than seven (7) #1 Country hits in Australia.

Larry Cordle is a Kentucky Music Hall of Fame member, whose career has seen him garner a number of awards from the International Bluegrass Music Association including the Society for the Preservation of Bluegrass Music of America 2018 Songwriter of the Year and several Grammy nominations. Cordle's songs have appeared on projects that have to date sold a combined total of more than 55 million records.

On September 19, Jimmy Lumpkin will belt out sublime sounds that are altogether his own. In the likes of Bob Dylan, Ray LaMontagne, Ryan Adams, Van Morrison, John Lee Hooker, The Black Keys, and Otis Redding, the Jimmy Lumpkin Band plays an eclectic blend of soulful roots rock and Americana.

Florida-based artist John Hart will wrap up the 2019 Sunset Series on September 26. John spent a few years touring the East Coast with the prominent Sauce Boss. The warm, rich tones of John's classical guitar playing approach brings an exciting and fresh presence to his live show, while his unique weaving of finger picking and blues influence brings a flavor to the sound like no other. Revered as a young man beyond his time, John's influences come from a mix of blues legends such as Muddy Waters, B.B. King and Albert Collins, to rock legends Jimi Hendrix and Duane Allman to modern monsters such as Derek Trucks and John Mayer. His latest record, "Frisson", shines an entirely new light on the depths of his creativity and his reach.

For more info, call 251-968-1171 or visit [gulfschoresal.gov/sunsetseries](http://gulfschoresal.gov/sunsetseries).

**Pictured:** (top to bottom) Carl Jackson, Jerry Salley and Larry Cordle.



Bowl, 2881 S. Jupiter St., Foley; current and former Marines and Corpsman welcome.

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

### FRI, AUG 30

• **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.

• **Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks):** 7:30 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.



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- **Summer Yoga Series:** 6:30; free; Gulf Shores Main Public Beach (Gulf Place); (251) 968-9824.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Hollywood Vagabonds:** 9; Island Time Daquari, The Wharf, Orange Beach.
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- **Touch Of Class:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
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- **The Blenders:** 9; 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.
- **Roger & Elaine:** 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke:** 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange

- Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Open Jam:** 8; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- **Sandra Kaye & The Legend Band:** 8:30; Live Bait Restaurant, Orange Beach.
- **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

## Songwriters at Sunset Sept. 6 at Lost Key Clubhouse

The Perdido Area Chamber of Commerce will present the Songwriters at Sunset Benefit Concert on Friday, September 6 at 6 p.m. at the Lost Key Beach Clubhouse, located directly on the Gulf of Mexico on Perdido Key.

Award-winning songwriters Jon Nite, Jimmy Robbins and JT Harding will perform. Tickets can be purchased online at [PerdidoChamber.com](http://PerdidoChamber.com) or by calling 850-492-4660. General admission is \$100 and preferred seating is \$150. Admission includes food and open bar (must be 21 and over to attend).

Proceeds will benefit the Frank Brown Foundation for Music and the Perdido Area Chamber Foundation.

"The potential benefit of the proceeds from this event will assist our foundation in making a difference in the lives of young people in our area," said Andy Haynes, Director of the Frank Brown International Foundation for Music and Songwriters Festival.

The festival in its 35th year, brings in over 200 Grammy award winning and up and coming songwriters from around the world and thousands of fans to 32 different venues from Fairhope to downtown Pensacola.

### Jon Nite

Nite, a native Texan, is a CMA and ACM award winner with 15 top ten hits for artists such as Tim McGraw, Chris Young, Dierks Bentley, Blake Shelton, Keith Urban, David Nail, Luke Bryan, Kenny Chesney, Phillip Phillips, Chase Rice, Jake Owen and Darius Rucker.

He has scored hits with "What Ever She's Got" by David Nail, "Smoke" by A Thousand Horses, "We Were Us" by Keith Urban and Miranda Lambert, "Beachin'" by Jake Owen, "Strip It Down" by Luke Bryan, "Break On Me" by Keith Urban, "Noise" by Kenny Chesney, and "If I Told You" by Darius Rucker. Cole Swindell's single "Break Up in the End" recently broke #1 on the Country Aircheck chart, earning a 2019 Grammy Award nomination for Best Country Song.

### Jimmy Robbins

In addition to having penned eight number one singles, Jimmy won a CMA Triple Play Award for having three #1 songs in a twelve-month period. He won ASCAP country song of the year for Thomas Rhett's "It Goes Like This" and he has produced songs for artists Kelsea Ballerini, Keith Urban, Maddie and RaeLynn's number one album, "Wild Horse." J.T. Harding

### JT Harding

JT Harding was born and raised in South Detroit spending countless hours watching MTV, which inspired him to write songs. He made his way to Los Angeles to pursue his dream, using prize money he received for winning the game show VH1 Rock n Roll Jeopardy to make his first demo tape. Already revered in Nashville as a great story teller, he has written number one songs for Kenny Chesney, Blake Shelton, Keith Urban and the three million seller "Smile" with Uncle Kracker.

## eSports Center opens at OWA

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## Airplane Poker Run Sept. 28

The Emerald Angels of the Gulf Coast will host a Sept. 28 Poker Run at Salt Air Aviation Center at Jack Edwards Airport in Gulf Shores. Cost is \$20 per hand, and \$5 for a lunch box. Pilots or drivers fly or drive to an airport, pick up a card for each purchased hand and continue to another airport. Passengers may also register and purchase hands. Anyone can participate! Pilots, auto drivers, motorcycle riders and passengers. Insurance for your mode of transportation must be current.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING



### Big Al & Mike the Tiger invite folks to Sirens' Sept. 20 Drawdown

It's a great time of year for a golf game. It is also the perfect time to attend the Sirens of the Sea Mardi Gras Krewe's football themed drawdown at the Orange Beach Event Center at the Wharf on Friday, Sept 20 from 6-10:30 p.m.

Craft Farms Golf Resort has donated a round of golf for you and three of your closest friends. This is one of the items that will be available at the silent auction. You can bid on this item, as well as items donated by such businesses as Dr. Fred Fedok, Plastic Surgery and Laser Center; Diamond Jewelers; Manning Jewelers; and Frank & Company Fine Jewelry. Siren members are selling raffle tickets for \$2 each, which offer the following prizes: Sightseeing Cruise from Gulf Adventures Charters; \$500 gift certificate for travel from Expedia Cruise Ship Center; and one-night stay at the Perdido Beach Resort, with dinner at Voyagers. Sirens will also be presenting a new style raffle, that is sure to stir interest. Cash and checks will be accepted. No credit cards. An ATM machine will be on site.

Your \$50 admission ticket will provide your chance to win \$5000 in the drawdown; tailgating themed dinner catered by McClure's New York Bagel and Sandwich Shoppe; and live music by Jesse Duncan Music. Tickets are now available for purchase at J & M Tackle, Orange Beach; McClure's New York Bagel and Sandwich Shoppe, Orange Beach; and Diamond Jewelers, Gulf Shores, as well as from your favorite Siren member. Please contact Linda Pacatte (251) 402-2218 or Judy Hamby (270) 887-9691 for additional ticket information.

Proceeds support President/Queen Susan Giannini's and Emblem Connie Conlon's selected charities of: Expect Excellence, a City of Orange Beach After School Program; the Orange Beach Police Department K-9 Unit, for dog body armor; and Daybreak Respite Senior Care in Gulf Shores. Contributions will also be made to the Gail Pond Memorial Scholarship for a local high school senior; and Mardi Gras activities. These charities will be supported by Siren members throughout the year, with upcoming charitable events.

### Mayor Koniar to speak at Sept. 9 Foley Woman's Club luncheon

By Barbara McCamish

You don't want to miss the Foley Woman's Club's September 9 annual Fall kick-off luncheon. Mayor Koniar will be the speaker and will give an update on what's happening in our area. The buffet luncheon will be at Sweet Southern Scratch on 22934 Milfin Rd (Co. Rd. 20.) Registration will begin at 11 AM with program to begin at 11:30. Members are welcome to bring a guest or perhaps a potential new member. Luncheon tickets - \$20- must be purchased by September 1 deadline from Chris Anglin at 8301 Bay View Dr., Foley, AL 36535 or at Checkouts in Foley.

Members of the Foley Woman's Club are excited to begin a new Club year and look forward to continuing their work to support the community and give assistance to groups that help women and children in Baldwin County.

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; foileyrotary@gulftel.com.  
 • **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.  
 • **AA:** 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

### SAT, AUG 31

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.  
 • **Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks):** 7:30 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.  
 • **52nd Annual 2019 MBGFC Labor Day Invitational:** Orange Beach Marina, 27075 Marina Rd.  
 • **Chris Stapleton All American Road Show 2019 with Special Guests Brent Cobb and The Marcus King Band:** 7; The Wharf Amphitheater, Orange Beach.  
 • **Labor Day Car Show:** 9-4; Downtown OWA, Foley; 251-923-2111.  
 • **Street Food & Art in the Park:** 10-5; Gulf State Park Lake Shelby; 20115 State Hwy. 135; Gulf Shores, 251-948-7275 ext. 92128.  
 • **Warp Speed Sulu:** 9; The Office, Foley.  
 • **Cole Decker:** 4 p.m.; Island Time Daquari, The Wharf, Orange Beach.  
 • **DJ Lil Bob:** 9; Island Time Daquari, The Wharf, Orange Beach.  
 • **B Street Benny:** 7; The Hangout, Gulf Shores.  
 • **Free Fireworks Show:** 8:45 p.m.; Labor Day Weekend Celebration; Downtown OWA, Foley.  
 • **Touch Of Class:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.  
 • **Cornbread:** 3:30; The Sandshaker, The Wharf, Orange Beach.  
 • **Ronnie Presley:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulus; Gulf Shores.  
 • **Saucy Fuzz:** 9:30; The Sandshaker, The

Wharf, Orange Beach.  
 • **Karl Langley & Emily Stuckey:** 5; Playa, Orange Beach.  
 • **Hippie Jim:** noon, Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.  
 • **Crazy George:** 9; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.  
 • **Perdido Brothers:** 4:30 p.m.; Pirates Cove, Josephine.  
 • **Robbechoux & Les:** 6, Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.  
 • **Sandra Kaye & The Legend Band:** 8:30; Live Bait Restaurant, Orange Beach.  
 • **John Brust:** 6; Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.  
 • **Brandon Styles Comedy, 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, SEPT 1

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. 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 Beach Service:** 9:45 a.m.; The Royal Oyster, Gulf Shores.  
 • **Justin Moore:** gates open at 3 p.m.; Flora-Bama Beach, Perdido Key.  
 • **Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks):** 4 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.

• **Adam Tyler Brown:** noon; The Tin Top, Bon Secour.  
 • **Damian Lamb:** 11 a.m., Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.  
 • **Jessie Howell:** 6 p.m., Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.  
 • **Steve Wilkinson:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.  
 • **Pierce Parker:** 6; Sandshaker at The Wharf, Orange Beach.  
 • **Open Mic/Jam:** 4 p.m.; Hosted by The Defrosters, The Flying Harpoon 2, Orange Beach.  
 • **David Jones Jazz Brunch:** 11 a.m.; Playa, Orange Beach.  
 • **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.  
 • **Robbeaux N Les:** 6 p.m., Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.  
 • **Danny Grady:** 2 p.m.; Fraternal Order of Eagles #4549, Gulf Shores.  
 • **Roger & Elaine:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.  
 • **Lee Yankie:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulus; Gulf Shores.  
 • **Scott Koehn:** 4; Pleasure Island Tiki Bar, Orange Beach.  
 • **Lisa Zanghi:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.  
 • **Turkey Shoot:** sign-up at 11 a.m.; Elberta VFW, Elberta.  
 • **John Joiner & Friends:** 4; Hub Stacey's at the Point; Innerarity Point.  
 • **9 Ball APA:** 6; The Office, Foley.  
 • **Jim McAdams:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.  
 • **AA:** 5 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

### MON, SEPT 2

• **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.  
 • **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.  
 • **Lisa Zanghi:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.  
 • **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa

## 32nd Coastal Cleanup Sept. 21 on AL. & FL. Coasts

Show your support and concern for Alabama and Florida Gulf Coast waterways by participating in the 32nd Annual Alabama Coastal Cleanup on Saturday, September 21 from 8:00 a.m. until noon. You or your organization can make a difference by volunteering to clean up our cherished coastal area. The Alabama Coastal Cleanup engages local citizens to remove trash and debris and to change the behaviors that cause pollution. In a continuing effort to clean up the coast, over 98,000 volunteers have removed 800 tons of trash from Alabama's valued coastline and waterways over the past thirty years. Join us this year as we continue to make Alabama the Beautiful! On the day of the event, come prepared with sunscreen, a hat, gloves, shoes and lots of water.

Fighting for a Trash Free Seas" is the theme for Perdido Key's participation in the Sept. 21 International Coastal Cleanup Day. Volunteers are asked to assemble at 8 a.m. at the Perdido Key State Park West Usage Area to help keep Perdido's granite white beaches clean and beautiful. The Perdido Key cleanup is co-sponsored by The Perdido Key Assn., The Friends of Pensacola State Parks, and the staff at Perdido Key State Park.

Alabama Coastal Cleanup is supported by sponsors and coordinated through the Alabama Coastal Foundation.

In 2017, more than 5,200 volunteers removed over 35,000 pounds of trash at the 30th Annual Alabama Coastal Cleanup. Also collected were more than 2,000 pounds of recycling thanks to the hard work and dedication of leaders and volunteers who implemented a new recycling partnership. Remarkably two Boy Scouts even found a large sum of cash and turned it in.

Since trash totals were collected at the first Alabama Coastal Cleanup in 1987, more than 800 tons of trash have been collected and disposed of properly thanks to 80,000 volunteers.

Volunteers are needed at 30 different cleanup sites in Mobile and Baldwin counties. Alabama Coastal Cleanup provides a t-shirt and clean up supplies. For more info, go to AlabamaCoastalCleanup.com or call (251) 928-9792. or go to Facebook.





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## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### Tacky Jacks Gulf Shores hosts Aug. 31 Bloody Mary 5K

Tacky Jacks Gulf Shores will host the 6th Annual Bloody Mary 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, Aug. 31 at 7:30 a.m. Race day registration is available for the jaunt out and back through neighborhood streets. Almost 400 runners participated last year. All the usual awards will be presented along with team spirit awards to kick off the football season. Wear your favorite team colors and be eligible for individual prizes. Pre-race registration is available at active.com.

The 5K will start and finish at Tacky Jacks in Gulf Shores. After the races, the post-race party will include beer and bloody marys for runners and walkers, plus great music.

Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

• **Chauncy Crandall:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulus; Gulf Shores.

• **Cory Reznor:** 5; Playa, Orange Beach.

• **Jessie Howell:** 11 a.m., Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.

• **Cole Decker:** 6 p.m., Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.

• **Jason Abel:** 6; Hub Stacy'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:** 7; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.

• **Bridge:** noon; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.

• **Bingo:** 6; American Legion Post 44,

Gulf Shores.

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

• **Square Dancing:** 7-9 p.m.; Magnolia Springs Community Hall, Magnolia Springs.

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

• **Orange Beach Community Center Association Monthly Covered Dish Dinner:** social at 5, dinner at 6:30 p.m.; all winter guests welcome; Canal Road next to the Recreation Center; 251-981-1942.

• **Square Dancing:** 7-9 p.m.; Magnolia Springs Community Hall, Magnolia Springs.

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

59).

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

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

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### TUE, SEPT 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.

• **Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston,**

### Kenny Smith Memorial & Fundraiser At Undertow

Fish and chicken tender plates with sides were served at the recent Kenny Smith Memorial & Fundraiser at the Undertow on Aug. 25. Kenny passed away at home On Aug. 16 surrounded by family and friends. The event was hosted by Teresa Smith's co-workers from Doc's Seafood. "He and Teresa are both well-loved and well-known on the island and we are asking the community to come forward and help ease some of the pressure of a difficult time," Doc's co-worker Susan Anderson said.

Kenny and Teresa had many friends in the community. Kenny worked as a charter captain, deckhand, condo maintenance manager, bartender and was great in the kitchen, on the grill or fish fryer. He loved to cook with his wife Teresa.

He liked playing video poker with his pals at the Undertow and visiting around town just about every day when he was able. For the past year, he has been battling a variety of ailments.

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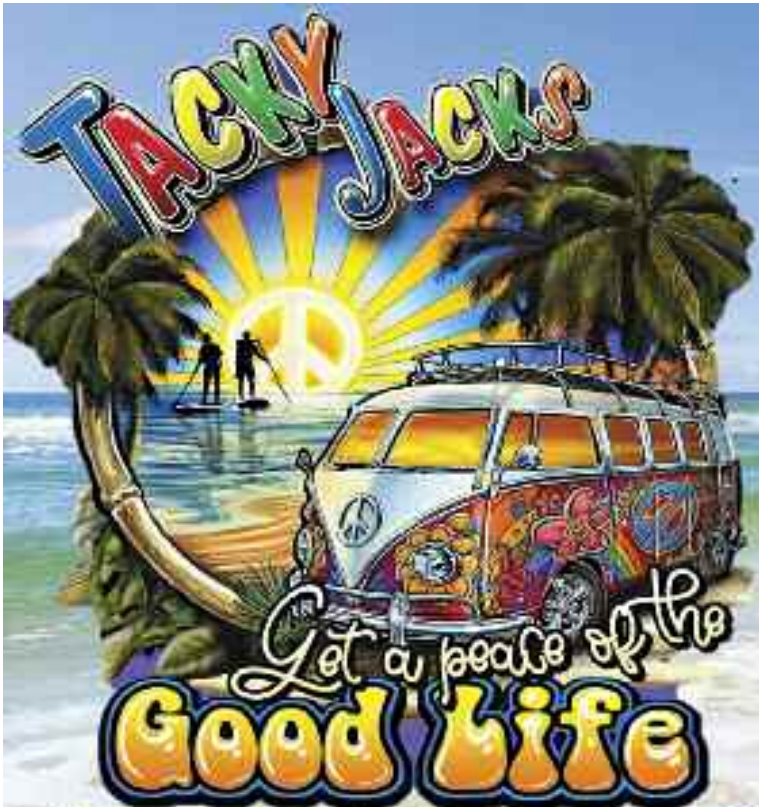
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## WHAT'S HAPPENING



### Coastal Ballet offering classes twice weekly in Orange Beach

Coastal Ballet Academy is now open in a new Orange Beach location! Under the direction of world class ballerina and studio owner, Madame Rio Cordy, Coastal Ballet Academy is now open for classes Monday and Thursday at their Orange beach studio located at 4223 Orange Beach Blvd. Suite D. Regular classes are still ongoing in the Foley location as well. Coastal Ballet is a non-profit organization that keeps dance accessible for all in our coastal communities. Madame Rio has been teaching here in our area for over 20 years. This year Coastal Ballet will present three full length Nutcracker performances in three cities, with the first being a one of a kind dinner theatre experience at Foley Civic Center in November 17.

### Labor Day BBQ & beach concert at Fairhope American Legion

American Legion Post 199 in Fairhope will host its annual Labor Day BBQ & Beach Concert on Monday, Sept. 4 beginning at 11:30 a.m. sold for \$12 each. The Tommy Morse Band will follow the BBQ with a live concert from the Legion Beach Stage at 4 p.m. Post 199 is located at 700 S. Mobile St. and sits directly on the Fairhope bluffs overlooking Mobile Bay. For more info, call 251-928-9132.

### Artists invited to submit work for Hot Air Balloon Fest poster

The 16th Annual Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival Committee is seeking an artist who will be commissioned to produce the t-shirt and poster artwork for the 2020 Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival. Please do not submit more than 3 drafts.

The committee has a strict timeline. Artists are encouraged to respond upon receiving invitation and confirm their interest. Please contact Rachel Spear at (251) 943-3291. Artists are asked to submit proposed sketches/drafts by Friday, November 1, 2019. Submissions should be delivered to the South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce at 112 West Laurel Ave, Foley, AL 36536 or mailed to PO Box 1117, Foley, AL 36536.

Criteria for consideration: Artwork must be original by artist.; Artist must be 18 years of age or older.; Theme should include: Hot Air Balloons, Art, Music, and the Gulf Coast; Name of the Festival should be included in artwork: 16th Annual Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival; Year should be included in the artwork: 2020; Foley, AL should be included; Artist should use bold PMS or Pantone true colors.

### Free first responders BBQ Sept. 14 at Fairhope Legion

American Legion Post 199 in Fairhope will serve BBQ to first responders and their families following a ceremony honoring those who lost their lives during the 9/11 terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington D.C. on Saturday, Sept. 14.

Taps will be played and flags lowered to half mast a 10:30 a.m. The call to colors ceremony will take place a 2 p.m. BBQ playes will be available for \$7 for others, and the day's events include a waterslide and live music. The Legion's beachside Tiki Bar will be open with TVs showing the football games.

Other beach activities include horseshoes, swimming, volleyball and fishing from the Legion pier. The public is always welcome at the Legion, located in a historic building on the Mobile Bay bluffs at 700 S. Mobile St. Bring chairs, sunscreen and bug spray, but no coolers please. For more info, call 251-928-9132.

**Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks:** 7:30 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.  
**• John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.  
**• Lefty Collins:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulus; Gulf Shores.  
**• Lisa Christian:** 6; Sunset Cork Room, Gulf Shores.  
**• Destiny Brown:** 5; Playa, Orange Beach.  
**• Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.  
**• Karaoke Dance Party w. Kelly:** 8; The Sandshaker, The Wharf, Orange Beach.  
**• JW Karaoke:** 6; Hub Stacy's At The Point, Innerarity Point.  
**• NAPA Pool League:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.  
**• Karaoke:** 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.  
**• Karaoke:** 5; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.  
**• Brandon Styles 1-Man Variety Show:** 8 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; Comedy, Magic & Impressions.  
**• Ricky Johnson:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.  
**• Free Line Dance Lessons With Lori:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.

**• Bowling Tourney:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.  
**• GriefShare Support Group:** 6 p.m.; Point Church, 13801 Interarity Point Rd.; 601-278-6973.  
**• 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.  
**• 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.  
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### Downtown Foley Halloween Street Fest Oct. 24

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Come enjoy a spooky good time in a safe, family-fun environment. Admission is free and the event takes place rain or shine. Local Boy Scout Troop 77 will be selling snack foods.

Info: 251-943-1300 or phiggs@cityoffoley.org.

**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.

• **Al-Anon:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

### WED, SEPT 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.

• **Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks):** 7:30 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.

• **Open Mic:** 5:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.

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

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

• **John Joiner & Friends:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.

• **Adam Holt:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's, Gulf Shores.

• **Christina Christian:** 5; Playa, Orange Beach.

• **West Coast Swing Dance:** 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.

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

• **Bingo:** 10 a.m.; American Legion Post 99; Foley.

• **Danny Grady:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.

• **Karaoke w. Cindy & Mary:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.

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

• **Karaoke:** 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.

• **Scott Koehn/Flip Flop Bros:** 6:30; Flippers, Orange Beach.

• **Big Beach Running & Social Club:** 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery; 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

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8 (8-in.) flour tortillas  
vegetable cooking spray  
1 (8-oz.) container sour cream  
1 (8-oz.) bottle green taco sauce  
Toppings: diced tomato, chopped avocado, chopped green onions, sliced ripe olives, chopped cilantro  
Stir together first 5 ingredients. Spoon chicken mixture evenly over each tortilla, and roll up. Arrange in a lightly greased 13-x 9-in. baking dish. Coat tortillas with vegetable cooking spray. Bake at 350 degrees for 35-40 min. or until golden brown. Stir together sour cream and taco sauce. Spoon over hot enchiladas and sprinkle with toppings. Serves: 4.

**Enjoy!**

**Note:** Use rotisserie chicken to shorten prep time.

### Robertsdale Garden Club announces plans for this year

By Mary Ann Lindsay

The Robertsdale Garden Club has announced its programs for the coming year as well as selected the Fact Finding Flower and theme for the flower show for the upcoming Baldwin County Fair.

The Fact Finding Flower for the year is the White Fringed Bog Orchid. A program regarding this flower will be presented by Shelly Yntema at the October 8 meeting.

The theme for the flower show for the Baldwin County Fair will be "Salute to Alabama" in recognition of Alabama's 200th birthday.

Other programs for the year include: "Floral Designs-Principles, Table Scapes and Hats;" "Planting by the Sign of the Moon;" "Orchids for Beginners;" and a plant exchange.

Field trips are planned for Bellingrath Gardens to see "Cascading Chrysanthemums;" "Festival of Flowers," in Mobile; and a stroll along the "Antique Rose Trail" in Foley.

The club welcomed new member Sharon Rowland who lives in Stapleton. Sharon has an interest in butterflies, herbs, and general gardening topics.

Guests are always welcome to attend our programs and field trips. The group meets the second Tuesday of each month (September-May) at the G. P. Thames Senior Center, 22651 E. Chicago St., Robertsdale. For additional information call President Ken Ramey at 947-5751.

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 United Methodist Church Activity Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola.
- **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.
- **Bingo:** 10 a.m.; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Steak Night followed by music w. Bruni:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.

### THU, SEPT 5

- **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.
- **Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks):** 4 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.
- **Bulls on the Beach:** 6 p.m.; The Flora-Bama Parking Lot; Perdido Key.
- **City of Gulf Shores Sunset Series presents Aquaman:** 6 p.m.; free; Gulf Place Town Green and Public Beach, Gulf Shores.
- **Christina Christian:** 5; Cobalt the Restaurant; Orange Beach.
- **Gabe Willis:** 5; Playa, Orange Beach.
- **Greg Brown:** 6 p.m., Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.
- **The Red Field:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's, Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke Dance Party:** 8; The Sand-shaker, The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- **Greg Brown:** 2 p.m.; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Ft. Morgan.
- **Open Mic:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.

- **Scott Koehn:** 5:30; Pleasure Island Tiki Bar, Orange Beach.
- **Mel Knapp:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Tim Roberts:** 6:30; The Tin Top, Bon Secour.
- **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:** 8; Island Time Daquari; The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- **Brandon Styles Impressions & Magic Show:** 7; OWA Showroom, Foley.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Coping Conversations Grief Support Group:** 9:30 a.m.; Nix Center, Fairhope, 251-626-5255 or 251-928-2835.
- **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.



### COOL CHANGE CHARTER CSC FISHING TRIP A HUGE SUCCESS:

Captain Joe and Cindy Nash of Cool Change Charters in Orange Beach hosted their annual Gulf fishing trip as a fundraiser for the Christian Service Center. All proceeds for the day were given to the Center to assist families in need. It was a great day of fellowship and fishing for red snapper. In addition to Captain Nash hosting the trip, Zekes Marina donated the fuel for the day, J&M Tackle donated the bait and Clean Boats donated cleaning service for the boat. The Christian Service Center is a "Hand Up" rather than a "Hand Out" agency. Clients are given immediate emergency aid as well as guidance on finding solutions to their problems. The CSC is a 100% volunteer agency funded by the churches of Pleasure Island, various community organizations, including the United Way of Baldwin County, and interested individuals. For more information please call the CSC at 251-968-5256 or visit cscgs.com.



### SUPERINTENDENT TYLER WELCOMES OBES STUDENTS:

It's not often that students are welcomed by the Superintendent on their first day of school, but that is what happened at Orange Beach Elementary School this year. Mr. Tyler was here early that morning visiting with faculty, staff, parents and students. Baylee Grace Bauer, pictured with Mr. Tyler, is beginning kindergarten in Mrs. Lynn's class. She was especially excited to talk to Mr. Tyler about her special day! Baylee Grace is the daughter of Mrs. Bauer, 3rd grade teacher at OBES.



### O.B. BRIDGE CLUB PRESENTS LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP TO JUNIA JARVIE:

The Orange Beach Bridge Club honored long time member Junia Jarvie with a lifetime membership. Junia and her husband Elmer have called Gulf Shores their winter home for many years, but they are now moving back permanently to Michigan. The Club is a social/party bridge club with more than 120 members paying (\$15) yearly and 25 or more paying (\$3) each time they play. The club meets at the Orange Beach Senior Activity Center at 26251 Canal Road. Players should arrive not later than 12 noon on Tuesday and Thursday. Snacks and other supplies are furnished by the club and on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 11:30 a.m. All members bring food for a pot-luck lunch. New members and visitors are welcomed. Come alone or with a partner. **Pictured:** With members of the club is David Batt, President, presenting Junia, seated, with the certificate.





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## WHAT'S HAPPENING



### \$5K to winner of Aug. 31 Ms. Flora-Bama finale

In addition to live music from rotating bands on three stages and food choices from royal red shrimp to burgers, Labor Day weekend at the Flora-Bama will include the grand finale of the Flora-Bama Bikini Contest on Labor Day Saturday, Aug. 31, at 3 p.m. on the tent stage. The top three finishers in the Miss Mullet Toss, Miss Memorial Day and Miss Firecracker Bikini Contests will return to compete for the grand prize of \$5000. Second prize is \$1,000 and third prize \$500. The Flora-Bama is located on the Gulf of Mexico at the Al-FI state line.



### Clint Griffiths of Radical Ridez featured on Motor Trend TV

Clint Griffiths, owner of Radical Ridez in Foley, took his radical blue Hummer to Johnson City, TN recently to be filmed and featured on national television Motor Trend TV for the season premier of Motorhead Garage. Radical Ridez is getting national attention for the high quality work they do here in South Baldwin county. Clint's industry leading experience, background and knowledge of parts and accessories for trucks, SUV's, Jeeps and cars makes Radical Ridez a one stop shop for everything custom for your vehicle. Whether you are interested in a small upgrade or an all out custom show stopper, give Clint a call at 251-600-9065. Visit radicalridez.com for more information.

**Pictured:** John Stuckey and Clint Griffiths of Radical Ridez with the hosts of Motorhead Garage.

### SBCC Person of the Year award presented Sept. 20

For more than forty years the South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce has celebrated the spirit of the Free Enterprise system. The Walton M. Vines Free Enterprise Person of the Year is one of South Baldwin's most coveted awards. The 2019 winner will be honored during the 43rd Annual Free Enterprise Person of the Year Luncheon on September 20th at the Foley Civic Center. The event is attended by more than one hundred of the area's top business leaders and community members. Tickets can be purchased online at southbaldwinchamber.com. The luncheon features a full catered meal and speeches from last year's winner, Denson Freeman, along with the newly honored recipient.

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2016	Gary Hellmich
2017	Charlene Haber
2018	Denson Freeman

- **Blind Draw Dart Tourney:** 7, American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Gulf Shores United Methodist Church Bread Ministry:** 9-10; every Thursday; room 103 on the south campus, next to Crossroad; 251 968-2411.
- **Adult Bible Study:** 10 a.m.; Gulf Shores Presbyterian Church; all welcome; (251) 968-7720.
- **Gulf Shores Library Pre-school (3-5) Story Time:** 10:30 a.m.; 251-968-1176.
- **Orange Beach Bridge Club:** Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; 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, SEPT 6

- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; Flora-Bama Loung Tent Stage, Perdido Key.

- **Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks):** 4 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.
- **Bulls on the Beach:** 6 p.m.; The Flora-Bama Parking Lot; Perdido Key.
- **Shrimp Festival/Coastal Alabama Business Chamber's Golf Challenge for Education:** Craft Farms Golf Resort - Cotton Creek, Gulf Shores.
- **First Friday Fish Fry:** 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Foley United Methodist Church Spirit Center; 915 N Pine St.
- **Tangerine Station:** 6 p.m., Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.
- **Brandon Blackburn:** 6 p.m., Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.
- **Bo Grant:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **The Defrosters:** 6:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing, Gulf Shores.
- **JERI:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
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## WHAT'S HAPPENING



### Brett/Robinson triathlon Sept. 7 at The Hangout

Local leaders inspire others to "Tri-It-On" during Al. Coastal Triathlon

For the 13th year, the Brett/Robinson Alabama Coastal Triathlon will take off from the Gulf Place Public Beach at The Hangout in Gulf Shores Saturday, Sept. 7. Two local triathletes, **Jim Kinder** and **Lane Gilbert**, share their experiences participating in this long-time favorite event along Alabama's beaches.

"Those that accept the challenge will not only appreciate the day but the time and dedication it took to train for the event."

Kinder, lead pastor at Orange Beach United Methodist Church, and Gilbert, co-owner of Ginny Lane Bar & Grill and other restaurants at The Wharf, have different views and a common bond. When Kinder and Gilbert began training together in 2017, Kinder had competed in the notable Boston and New York Marathons but could barely swim a lap in a pool, much less an open water swim in the Gulf of Mexico.

"Looking out over the water course before my first Brett/Robinson triathlon was so intimidating," Kinder recalls. "But, coming out of the water was equally exhilarating. Nothing compares to crossing the finish line to celebrate with family and friends!"

Gilbert, a more seasoned triathlete, has participated in a variety of high endurance events, such as many full and half IRON-MAN triathlons as well as major marathons, including the Big Sur and Big Beach Marathons. But, the Alabama Coastal Triathlon holds a special place for him.

"Every year I look forward to participating in the Alabama Coastal Triathlon as it has something for all participants regardless of skill level or experience," Gilbert notes. "Some of Gulf Shores' most experienced and fastest triathletes are always in attendance, which makes it a very competitive race. But what makes this truly a great event is the number of people participating for the very first time and having the opportunity to complete a triathlon. Those that accept the challenge will not only appreciate the day but the time and dedication it took to train for the event."

Not only is the Brett/Robinson triathlon their favorite since it is in their community, but also because elite and beginner athletes alike can participate individually or as a team. The Olympic-distance competition begins with a 1.5k swim in the Gulf, a 40k bike ride on the beautiful beach road and finishes with a 10k scenic run. The beginner "Tri-It-On" version features a 300-yard swim, nine-mile bike ride and two-mile run. Friends and families can alternatively participate as a three-person relay team.

All participants are invited to the awards ceremony and post-race family-friendly party at The Hangout. To register, visit Team-Magic.com. To book accommodations, go to Brett-Robinson.com.



### Camp on beach at GSP Sept. 21

Come and camp under the stars with your family & friends at Gulf State Park's Late Summer Beach Campout! beginning Sept. 21 at 2 p.m. through 9 a.m. on Sept. 22. Request a info/reservation package by sending an email to

gulfevents.statepark@dcnr.alabama.gov. Cost is \$35 for four people and \$5 for each additional person (reservation fee is non-refundable.)

Beach Burro Valet Services will be available to help bring your supplies out onto the beach for a small fee.



### Street Food & Art Fair Aug. 31 at Lake Shelby

Street Food and Art In the Park are two good reasons to celebrate Labor Day with friends and family at Lake Shelby, located across from Gulf State Park Pier. The Street Food and Art in the Park festival is on Aug. 31 from 10a.m. until 4 p.m. There will be food for purchase from various food trucks, as well as kayaks/paddle boards available for rent and plenty of family activities! Wrap up your summer with Gulf State Park! More info: 251-948-7275, ext. 92128.

**False Identity:** 8; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.

**First Friday Fish Fry:** 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Foley United Methodist Church Spirit Center; 915 N Pine St., Foley.

**Sandra Kaye & The Legend Band:** 8:30; Live Bait Restaurant, Orange Beach.

**Matt & Candy:** 8 p.m., Tacky Jack's, Fort Morgan.

**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.

**Roger & Elaine:** 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.

**Open Mic Karaoke:** 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.

**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.

### SAT, SEPT 7

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

**LuLu's 20th Anniversary Party Art Market w. The Gulf Coast Arts Alliance:** 11 a.m.; Gulf Shores.

**Bulls on the Beach:** 6 p.m.; The Flora-Bama Parking Lot; Perdido Key.

**Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks):** 7:30

p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.

**Brett Robinson Alabama Coastal Triathlon:** 7 a.m.; Gulf Shores Main Public Beach (Gulf Place); (615) 415-3520.

**Brandon Styles 1-Man Variety Show:** 8 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; Comedy, Magic & Impressions.

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

**JJ Mack:** 11 a.m., Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.

**Jerry Gambino Duo:** 6 p.m., Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.

**Ryan Balthrop:** 5; Playa, Orange Beach.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### Local retailer joins 500 vendors at CBD 2019 in Miami

Lots of conflicting and confusing info circulating about CBD & hemp

By Carolyn Hall

More than 500 vendors of CBD products (edibles, tinctures, sublingual drops, pain salves, beauty products, coffee, pet products, etc.) recently gathered at the Miami Beach Convention Center for CBD 2019, the country's largest CBD expo.

The expo included 49 Keynote demonstrations on topics like legalities, cultivation, packaging and delivery systems. The speakers included researchers, authors, legal experts and CBD company CEO's. According to worldwide studies of CBD usage, the main reasons people take it is for pain, sleep, inflammation, anxiety and stress.

Older people (50 and above) use it primarily for pain. Males are more likely to use CBD for relaxation.

Sublingual Tinctures are the best seller in all countries. At this time, the U.K. spends more money on it than any other country. Israel does the most research on both Marijuana and Hemp CBD. The number one challenge in countries is figuring out the correct dosage. The people in all countries surveyed agreed that they prefer CBD over pharmaceutical drugs.

The main concern people have when buying CBD is finding a trustworthy retailer with employees that are knowledgeable and can help assist them find answers to their questions

#### Is CBD right for me?

There is an amazing amount of conflicting or confusing information out there. It's only been five years since former President Obama made it legal to sell CBD in the U.S. Then president Trump signed the farm bill this year which legalizes growing hemp (CBD is extracted from the Hemp plant, not the Marijuana plant).

#### Hemp vs. Marijuana

The cannabis plant has two subtypes. The marijuana plant which contains the intoxicating compound THC (tetrahydrocannabinol) and the hemp plant, which has been used for thousands of years.

In the 1600's colonists in Virginia were cultivating it to make rope, ship sails, and clothing. The hemp plant has negligible amounts of THC so you do not get an intoxicating effect.

Both marijuana and hemp plants contain hundreds of compounds called cannabinoids, of which THC is the one we have heard about the most. It has both intoxicating and therapeutic effects.

Another one of the cannabinoids is CBD (or cannabidiol) It has therapeutic effects without the intoxicating "high." There must be .3 percent or less THC to be considered legal in all 50 states.

#### The Cannabinoids

Cannabinoids are chemical compounds that act on receptors found in your brain and your body. They can effect the regulation of inflammation, mood, appetite, and pain. Your body produces similar compounds on its own called endocannabinoids. CB1 receptors are found throughout your body but are concentrated in your brain. These receptors involve movement and coordination, appetite, memories and emotions, and thinking (THC attaches to CB1 receptors, hence the munchies.)

CB2 receptors are found in the immune system and are involved with pain and inflammation. Scientists used to believe that CBD attached to these CB2 receptors, but recent research indicates that CBD instead allows your body to use more of its own naturally produced cannabinoids

#### What to look for in buying CBD?

**1:** Be sure the CBD is extracted from the hemp plant naturally. A CO2 extraction is recommended over a chemical extraction.

**2:** A full spectrum or broad spectrum CBD is recommended over an isolate. The isolate does not have terpenes or flavonoids. There is some indication that all of these things work together which is known as "the entourage effect."

**3:** There should be testing from a third party lab on every batch. Soon the government will require a QR code square on every CBD product.

**4:** Nano-emulsifies. Nano particles are so small they do not need to be broken down by the stomach. They enter almost immediately into your bloodstream. Cannabinoids are not water soluble. Nanotechnology allows the size reduced molecules to pass through the body's various filters.

**5:** MCT oil or LCFA – long chain fatty acids help absorption.

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• **Famous Nameless:** 9; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.

• **Touch Of Class:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

• **Sandra Kaye & The Legend Band:** 8:30; Live Bait Restaurant, Orange Beach.

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

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

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

• **Corn-hole Tournament:** 10 a.m.; American Legion Post 44; Gulf Shores.

• **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 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



### Marty Haggard's tribute to his dad Sept. 7 in Foley

Marty Haggard, Merle's oldest son, will present his show Tribute to Merle Haggard - My Dad on Saturday, September 7 at 7 p.m. at the Foley Civic Center (407 E Laurel Ave.)

Doors open at 6 p.m. There are \$26 advance general admission tickets are on sale at martyhaggardtickets.com, by phone at 1-800-838-3006 and at Gypsy Queen Java in Foley (251-943-6112). Tickets will be \$30 at the door.

The son of legendary singer/songwriter Merle Haggard is blessed with a golden voice and a true dedication to his music and career. Marty was privileged to be a part of his dad's career and had the opportunity to meet many of the country greats. After touring with his father for some time, Marty signed his own record contract and one of his first releases, Trains Make Me Lonely, garnered him a nomination as best new male country artist. For two years he performed his tribute show in Branson, Missouri before taking the show on the road.



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## WHAT'S HAPPENING



### "Cello Salad" Sept. 17 at Foley Public Library

Della Grigsby will be perform her show "Cello Salad" at the Foley Public Library on Tuesday, Sept 17 from 6 – 7 p.m. Seating is limited in the upstairs meeting room and reservations are required. Please call 251-943-7665 to reserve a seat. For more info, visit foleylibrary.org or Facebook or Instagram.

Cello Salad is a one-woman gig with cello as the main event. Grigsby (pictured) is no ordinary cellist. She has performed internationally - in the Kings Chamber at the Great Pyramid of Giza with 'Interior Time' (new age quartet) and at Festival Interceltique (Lorient, France) with 'Astronique', an astronaut Celtic band. Della has also played in Loja, Ecuador with the Symphonica de Loja and taught at the Festival Internacional de Musica.

Della is a fusion cellist and plays all genres – jazz, blues, country western, island funk, standards, and anything else that tickles her fancy. At this particular performance, she will be playing movie themes and show tunes, covering old and new. Be ready to tap your feet, smile lots, and dance if the spirit moves you!

Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

### SUN, SEPT 8

- **Central Flora-Bama Church:** Church experiences, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Flora-Bama Tent Stage, Perdido Key.
- **Unity Church Beach Service:** 9:45 a.m.; The Royal Oyster, Gulf Shores.
- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks):** 4 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.
- **Light Travelers:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Lonesome Mel:** 11 a.m., Tacky Jack's, Orange Beach.
- **Danny Grady:** 2 p.m.; Fraternal Order of Eagles #4549, Gulf Shores.
- **Open Mic/Jam:** 4 p.m.; Hosted by The Defrosters, The Flying Harpoon 2, Orange Beach.
- **Greg Brown:** noon; The Tin Top, Bon Secour.
- **John Lee Sanders:** 6; Voyagers Restaurant at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Lisa Zanghi:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Pierce Parker:** 6; Sandshaker at The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- **Lisa Christian:** 2; Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.
- **Scott Koehn:** 4; Pleasure Island Tiki Bar, Orange Beach.
- **David Jones Jazz Brunch:** 11 a.m.; Playa, Orange Beach.
- **Roger & Elaine:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke:** 7; Live Bait Tiki Bar, Orange Beach.
- **John Joiner & Friends:** 4; Hub Stacy's at the Point; Innerarity Point.
- **Jim McAdams:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **9 Ball APA:** 6; The Office, Foley.
- **AA:** 5 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

### MON, SEPT 9

- **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.
- **Lisa Zanghi:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Cory Reznor:** 5; Playa, Orange Beach.
- **Brent Burns:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Trivia Night:** 7; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.
- **Mark Laborde & Smokey Otis:** 7 p.m.; Papa Rocco's, Gulf Shores.
- **Medicine Man:** 6; Hub Stacy'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.

### TUE, SEPT 10

- **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.
- **Legends in Concert (Bruno Mars, Reba McEntire, Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Rod Stewart, Garth Brooks):** 7:30 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; 251-369-6100.
- **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Destiny Brown:** 5; Playa, Orange Beach.
- **Lefty Collins:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Ricky Johnson:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Karaoke Dance Party w. Kelly:** 8; The Sandshaker, The Wharf, Orange Beach.
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- **JW Karaoke:** 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Lisa Christian:** 6; Sunset Cork Room, Gulf Shores.
- **Robertsdale Garden Club:** 10 a.m., G. P.Thames Senior Center, 22651 E. Chicago, St., Robertsdale; 251-947-5751.
- **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.\
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## MIRACLE LEAGUE OF COASTAL ALABAMA BREAKS GROUND IN SUMMERDALE

Groundbreaking Ceremony Pictures on Pages 56 & 58 and Mulletwrapper.com



# Miracle League of Coastal Alabama breaks ground in Summerdale Playground & field for special needs kids project of Pleasure Isle's Lions Clubs

By Fran Thompson

The Pleasure Island based founders of Miracle League of Coastal Alabama (MLCA) did not have to go far from the island where the non-profit was hatched to find a home.

A joint legacy project of the Gulf Shores and Orange Beach Lions Clubs under the direction of chairman Bruce White, MLCA recently broke ground on a beautiful 10 acre slate of land just 20 miles north of the Gulf of Mexico near downtown Summerdale.

Summerdale Mayor David Wilson said he and his town council had attempted to bring a Miracle League field to their town even before he was approached by MLCA.

"The Mayor and Town Council have responded quickly to our every need," White said. "They have been 100 percent behind the project from the start."

The Miracle League Field is a facility that is tailored specifically for special needs children. The park accommodates wheelchairs, walkers, and other assistive devices while helping to prevent injuries.

First hatched in 2004, the MLCA gained momentum when Pleasure Island's two Lions Clubs became involved.

"Because our annual duck race was so successful, we were able to donate \$1,030 to the Miracle League," said Orange Beach Lions Club President Margaret Long. "We hope to give more next year."

Maybe not so coincidentally, Long's son Wesley, through his business at Alligator Alley, is also a major fundraiser for MLCA through the Alligators & Ales fundraiser.

Gulf Shores Lions Pat and Madeline Avinger are the parents of a special needs daughter, Celie, who was a huge inspiration for White to take the lead on the legacy project.

"It started with The Gulf Shores and Orange Beach Lions Clubs," White said. "It was their commitment to the project that allowed us to move forward in the first place."

Work has already started on the MLCA infrastructure. Next will be the completion of an all-in-

clusive playground and finally the Miracle League baseball field. The project buildout is estimated to be 18 months.

The amount of money needed to build the park envisioned by the two Lions Club is tremendous - more than \$2.5 million, including in-kind services.

"I know it's a lot of money. We just take it day by day and step by step," White said. "We are still in the process of conquering the \$2.5 million price tag."

As of August 1, the MLCA had collected \$618,000 in monetary donations and an additional \$500,000 in service commitments.

"We still need to raise a lot of money," White said at the groundbreaking, "close to \$1.5 million to complete the project."

The MLCA development team includes seven committees and hundreds of volunteers. White said their dedication to the project has been unwavering.

"None of these volunteers are retired, and this is an extremely time-consuming project," White said. "It cuts into their work and family time. As tough as it is, all of them are relentlessly working to get this park built."

Larry Thompson, President of the Miracle League of Pensacola, was also at the groundbreaking and has provided direction, guidance and advice to the

## Snook Foundation First To Step Up

*There are obviously a litany of contributors to thank when the end goal is raising \$2.5 million. Listed below are just a few of the many who, like Pleasure Island's Lions Clubs, believe in the project.*

- **The Snook Foundation** Complex drawings were purchased with a \$100,000 grant from the first major donor.
- **Lucido Engineering** did the survey as an in-kind service.
- General **Contractor Ken Gates** is donating services and many of his sub-contractors will do the same.
- **Lions Club International** awarded MLCA a \$100,000 grant.
- **IMPACT 100** awarded MCLA a \$91,000 grant.
- **Erie Meyer Foundation** awarded MCLA \$52,000.
- **Gulf Shores Lions Club** has donated over \$36,000.
- **Central Baldwin Sunset Rotary Club** donated \$35,000.
- **Foley Womens Club** donated over \$10,000.
- **Gulf Shores United Methodist Church** donated \$10,000
- **Foley High School** has donated over \$8,700.

## Sponsorship Opportunities Abound

*There are as many levels of MLCA sponsorships available as their are creative fundraising ideas, including permanent sponsorship opportunities such as playground equipment, on deck circles, marquees and naming rights.*

- Donations of \$200 will be recognized on a permanent plaque within the park.
- Donations of \$500 to \$9,999 qualify for anything from a honor wall brick to park benches, picnic tables and outfield signs.
- Donations of \$10,000 or more will have signage on the center plaza Walk of Fame.
- There are many other permanent sponsorship opportunities such as playground equipment, on deck circles, marquees and naming rights.
- The Town of Summerdale will give naming rights to the entire sports complex for any donation of \$500,000.

## Family of Ed Rodriguez suggests MLCA support



The family of Ed Rodriguez (pictured) was a very active member of the MLCA development committee when he worked as president of the Alabama Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce. On January 7, 2018 Ed passed away unexpectedly and his family requested donations be made to the MLCA in lieu of flowers. People donated over \$19,000 in Ed's memory.

"There will be a monument honoring Ed in the park," MLCA Chairman Bruce White said.



## Miracle League...

MLCA team from its inception.

White added that Ken Gates of Ken Gates Construction coming onboard was key to getting project construction started.

"We had beautiful set of construction drawings, but the one thing we lacked was the

ability to read and understand them." White said. "Ken joined our development team as the general contractor and from that point forward, things have moved quickly and smoothly."

In addition to Pleasure Island state representative Steve McMillan, dignitaries at the groundbreaking included Baldwin County Commissioners, and reps from all five

Baldwin County Chambers.

The Lower Alabama Young Professionals not only showed up, they brought a \$1,200 donation check with them.

"Most importantly, in attendance are several of our special needs residents and their families," White said. "We are all excited you are here. It's amazing how few of Baldwin County's special needs families are even aware of this

project. We're hoping exposure from today's groundbreaking will remedy that situation."

MLCA includes a committee that will coordinate with special needs teachers throughout Baldwin County to bring awareness to the project and recruit special needs families to work with MLCA.

"If anyone would like to join our team, I promise you, we can use all the help we can

get," White said. "We've been working hard and we will continue to work just as hard as we move closer to making "Dreams Come True" for our special needs residents and their families."

More info: [miracleleague-coastalalabama.com](http://miracleleague-coastalalabama.com).

**Pictured:** Architectural rendering of the Miracle League Park in Summerdale.

## Alligators & Ale 5K Oct. 5 at Summerdale's Alligator Alley

### Sunset Rotary sponsored event raises Miracle League funds

Alligators and Ale, a combination 5K/1 mile fun run and a corn hole tournament, is slated for Saturday, October 5 at 8 a.m. at Alligator Alley in Summerdale. The annual fundraiser benefits The Miracle League of Coastal Alabama. The fundraiser is hosted by Central Baldwin Sunset Rotary.

The Miracle League of Coastal Alabama will use funds generated at the fundraiser to build a special needs ballpark ([miracleleaguecoastalalabama.com](http://miracleleaguecoastalalabama.com)).

The out and back certified 5K course is flat and completely paved. Race day registration and packet pick-up is available at Alligator Alley, 19950 County Rd 71, before the race.

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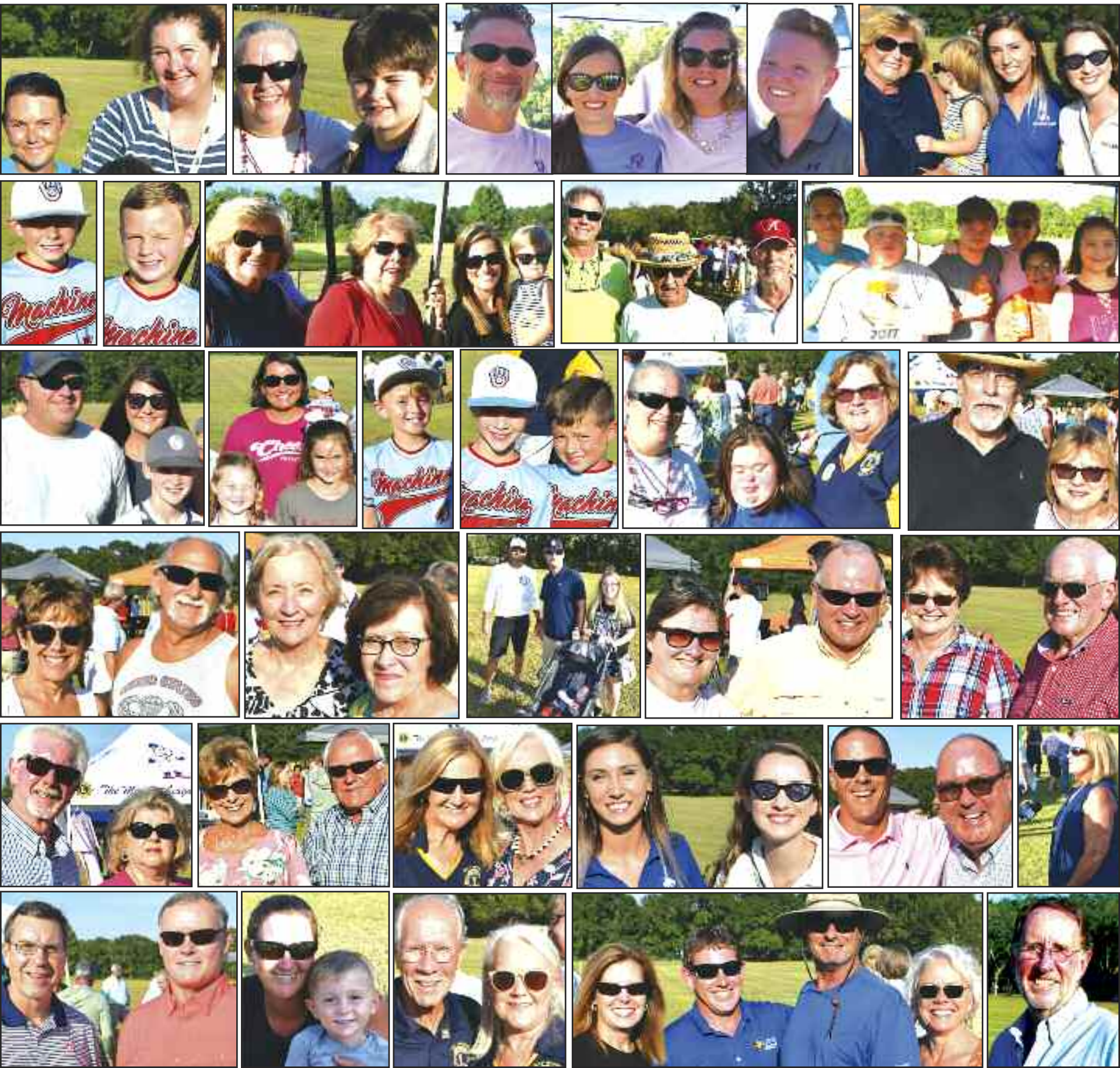
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