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DOT will pay \$14.4 to add southbound lane to Hwy. 59

Pedestrian/bicycle bridge across Intracoastal also in the works

The U.S. Department of Transportation will pay \$14.4 million towards a Gulf Shores road project that includes third southbound lane on Hwy. 59 from Road 8 to Ft. Morgan Rd. (Hwy. 180).

The funds will also be used to build a new pedestrian bridge over the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway and add shared use paths from the southend of the Intracoastal Bridge to County Rd. 4.

Additionally, Two lanes will be added to Road 6 to divide the road into four-lane boulevard with dedicated cycling lanes and a shared-use pedestrian path and sidewalks.

Gulf Shores Mayor Robert Craft thanked the Sen. Shelby and the Congressional Delegation for assisting in the grant process. Craft also pointed out that the improvements are critical to the long term sustainability of the Gulf Shores community, and its many other benefits, including:

- Provide safe and bicycle and pedestrian routes.
- Ease traffic congestion for residents.
- Ease traffic congestion for the million visitors the city hosts every year.
- Improve emergency response.
- Expedite evacuation from the island.

“We will be putting the third southbound lane on the bridge,” Mayor Robert Craft said at a Nov. 7 meeting on Canal Road. “We know it will start at [County Road] 4 and the third lane will go to at least Clubhouse [Drive]. We’re working to expand that to go from [County Road] 6 all the way to Fort Morgan Road, with the third lane to get traffic in and out better that way.”

Craft said the project will take pedestrian and bicycle traffic off of the current State Route 59 bridge over the waterway, but the city hopes to pay for a pedestrian bridge east of the current bridge at the site of the old swing bridge. City Environment and Grants Coordinator Dan Bond said the bridge would have to be at least 72 feet above the water.

“We have to deal with how do pedestrians and bicycles get across the canal,” Craft said. “Part of this funding we’ve got the money to explore and build a freestanding pedestrian and bicycle bridge that will have an elevator up, a walkway over and an elevator down. It will leave on the south side on Highway 180 where there is that 90-degree turn.”

This will allow the city to further develop the east and west sides of the Waterway Village District, which is split by the turn that is currently the main route in and out of the city for east-west travelers.

“The 90-degree turn will go away and that road will be discontinued by 24th Avenue,” Craft said. “That road will no longer be there. So we now are able to accomplish the walking district and we can get from one side of the canal to the other safely without having to get on that bridge. That is the big news and that will allow the opportunity for all of us who live on this side of town to be able to have the opportunity to use the bridge on your bike or walk.”

Gulf Shores must come up with about \$8 million in matching money or in-kind services, with total project costs estimated at about \$22.4 million. This will come from projects already in the city’s 10-year capital plan, including \$4.6 million to widen County Road 6 west where several large subdivisions are planned. The city is also planning on spending \$3.4 million for a road to its planned freestanding emergency room with entrances from State Route 59 and County Road 4.



Taste of the Islands Dec. 6 at O.B. Event Center

The Mystics of Pleasure charity arm, The Baldwin County Benevolence Fund, will be joining the Mystical Order of Mirams to help the Mirams present their 13th Annual Taste of the Islands on Friday, Dec. 6 at 6 p.m. at The Event Center at The Wharf in Orange Beach. Tickets are on sale now for \$60 per or you can buy a table of 10 for \$600. Only 400 tickets will be sold and they are going fast (No tickets will be sold at the door).

The annual fundraiser includes tastings from 30 restaurants, an open bar, a fabulous silent auction with lovely baskets and live music from Tyn Tymes. Dress is Island Elegant.

The Marines will be collecting Toys for Tots at the door so we ask that you please bring an unwrapped toy for a boy or girl or both! For more information or to purchase tickets, call Gene Carden at (205) 807-4697, email gcarden1954@hotmail.com or visit mirams.info or the mirams’ facebook page. **Pictured:** Island fun at last year’s event.



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AROUND TOWN

SBCT's The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe Nov. 22-24

South Baldwin Community Theatre's presentation of *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* continues Nov. 22-24 at the Gulf Shores theatre. The Nov. 22-23 shows start at 7:30 p.m., and the Nov. 24 matinee at 2:30 p.m. The Young Artist Series production is directed by Julie Wessler.

Tickets are \$15 for students and children and \$18 for adults. For more info or to buy tickets, visit sbct.biz. Tickets are also available beginning at the theatre box office (2022 W. 2nd St. in Gulf Shores during posted hours. Call 251-968-6721 for more info.

The C.S. Lewis' classic is set in the land of Narnia, and faithfully recreates the magic and mystery of Aslan, the great lion, his struggle with the White Witch, and the adventures of four children who inadvertently wander from an old wardrobe into the exciting, never-to-be-forgotten Narnia. This story of love, faith, courage and giving, with its triumph of good over evil, is a true celebration of life and a great way to start off the holidays!

PC computer basics class at Orange Beach Library on Dec. 4

Love the library? Like technology? Like to learn? Then join the Orange Beach Public Library for their PC computer basics class on December 4 from 11:30-12:30 p.m. Help support Orange Beach Public Library by taking in fun, relaxing, and informative technology classes with new reference librarian, Jason Neel. More info: jneel@orangebeachal.gov or 251-981-2923.

7th Annual Brett/Robinson Charity Rummage Sale Dec. 7

Brett/Robinson's 7th Annual Charity Rummage Sale will be held on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the company's laundry at 25050 Canal Road in Orange Beach. The sale includes items donated by employees, condo owners, friends and people in the Pleasure Island community, including furniture, household goods, home accessories, clothing and toys. Anyone interested in donating, or would like to schedule a time for pick-up of items, please contact Angela Hendricks at 251-228-0928.

The charity fundraiser also includes a Split the Pot 50/50 raffle. Last year's winner received approximately \$2,000.

Gulf Coast Art Alliance Market Dec. 7 at First Presbyterian

The next Gulf Coast Arts Alliance Art Market will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Gulf Shores on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. 'til 3 p.m. both inside and outside, weather permitting. Everything from pottery to watercolors to acrylics to photography to jewelry and many other art forms will be on display to fulfill your Christmas list! For more info., call 251-948-2627.

Country Bazaar Nov. 23-24 at St. John's in Magnolia Springs

The Annual Country Bazaar at St. John's Catholic Church in Magnolia Springs is slated Saturday, Nov. 23 (8am to 7pm) and Sunday, Nov. 24 (9am to 1pm) on the oak-shaded church grounds. Five-star Seafood Gumbo and blue-ribbon Shrimp Creole will be available. Also: a silent auction, handmade crafts, gift baskets and baked goods. "Basket of Cheer" raffle worth \$500; tickets \$5 each. General raffle (tickets \$1 each; drawing at 12:30 p.m. Sunday) – 1st prize: \$150 cash; 2nd prize: coastal boat trip; 3rd prize: Thanksgiving dinner basket; 4th prize: \$50 dinner certificate for Jesse's Restaurant. Soft drinks available. Free parking. More info: 251-988-1468 or 251-942-9067. GPS address: 10800 Saint John's Lane, Foley, AL 36535. Or, follow U.S. 98 to Magnolia Springs, take County Road 49 south for 2 miles, turn west on County Road 26 and go 2 miles to Saint John's.



Glow Yoga Thanksgiving 5K & Stretch tradition continues in Gulf Shores

Work up your Thanksgiving appetite with a 5K Run and post race stretch at the 3rd Annual Turkey Trot 5K from Glow Yoga on Thanksgiving morning, Thursday, November 28 at 8 a.m. "Every year we go down West Beach with optional free yoga stretching at the end of the run," said Glow Yoga owner and instructor Jennifer Guthrie. "It's really fun. We provide snacks, and some people wear costumes." Strollers, kids and dogs are also welcome. Glow Yoga is located at 824 Gulf Shores Pkwy. in Gulf Shores. More info: 251.968.4569. **Pictured:** Participants in the 2018 Turkey Trot at Glow Yoga.



GSHS freshman Beckham Smith helps assist disaster victims

Gulf Shores High School freshman Beckham Smith (**above**) has been volunteering her time to help the First Presbyterian Church of Gulf Shores package health kits for victims of disaster across the globe.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the organization of the National Presbyterian Church (USA), is currently responding to the needs of those who were victims of Hurricane Dorian, Missouri River Basin Flooding, 2019 spring tornadoes across our country and Cyclones Idai and Kenneth in Mozambique, Malawi and Zimbabwe.

PDA is known for being one of the first organizations to have "boots on the ground" immediately following a catastrophe, and are committed to staying long after the initial tragedy. First Pres. of Gulf Shores has collected items for over 50 kits, as well as a monetary donation toward this latest effort. The motto of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, is "out of chaos, hope."

ChoRuss Quartet returns to GSUMC for Dec. 1 show

The amazing voices of ChoRuss, the conservatory trained quartet from Russia, will once again be in concert at 7pm on Sunday evening, December 1 at Gulf Shores United Methodist Church. There is no charge for the concert; however, a love offering will be taken. Reserved seating will be available for concert season sponsors.

If you missed an earlier concert, this will be a wonderful opportunity to hear these beautiful voices on their fourth visit to Gulf Shores, according to Cody Johnson, GSUMC Worship Arts Director. "Their concerts include a wide variety of traditional Orthodox Christian works as well as classical, folk melodies and Christmas songs. It's always a thrill for us to hear their rendition of the beautiful 'Silent Night' in Russian," he said.

ChoRuss has traveled extensively through Europe as well as the US. Artistic director Dmitri Petrov has worked with several outstanding Russian conductors, and all in the quartet are professional singers and teachers at the St. Petersburg Russian conservatory.

More info: 251-968-2411 or visit gulfschoresusmc.org.

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AROUND TOWN



Locals named ARHA Tourism Promoters of the Year Gabrielle Barnett, Herbie Malone share prestigious award

Gabrielle Barnett, the marketing director at Lucy Buffett LuLu's in Gulf Shores, and Herb Malone, president of Gulf Shores & Orange Beach Tourism, were named winners of the Tourism Promoter of the Year Award during the Alabama Restaurant and Hospitality Association's (ARHA) recent annual awards dinner honoring the restaurant, lodging, and tourism industry.

The awards are peer-nominated and winners are selected by ARHA's board of directors from among more than 80 nominations.

Born and raised in Gulf Shores, Barnett has always had a heart for promoting the area and state and done so through her work with LuLu's and in the tourism industry for more than 14 years.

In her tenure at LuLu's, she has worked with Alabama Tourism, and Gulf Shores-Orange Beach Tourism, promoting everything from Year of Alabama Food, Music in Alabama.

She has produced promotions to bring tourists back to Pleasure Isle following the Deep Oil Horizon Oil Spill, helps promote Coastal Cleanup every year and has organized numerous fundraisers.

She was on the Governor's Conference on Tourism welcoming board, and has helped turn LuLu's into a thriving destination restaurant.

She has hosted travel writers, bloggers and influencers to help spread the word about the Alabama Gulf Coast and was recently selected to represent Alabama Tourism at the Travel South International Showcase scheduled this December.

Barnett earned a masters in Public Administration from Troy University and is a member of the Kiwanis Club, Pleasure Island Junior Women's Club and the National Shrimp Festival Committee. She spends her life promoting our restaurant, area and State.

For more than two decades, Malone has been a guiding force in the tourism industry along the Alabama Gulf Coast. He served as president/CEO of the Alabama Gulf Coast Area Chamber of Commerce from 1988 to 1993, working to recruit both businesses and guests to the area.

As the need for a destination marketing organization developed, Malone played a key role in the establishment of the Alabama Gulf Coast Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB), which is now known as Gulf Shores & Orange Beach Tourism. He has led this organization as president/CEO since 1993.

The tourism and hospitality industry honored his work in 2000 by inducting him into the Alabama Hospitality Hall of Fame. Then in 2001, he was named the Alabama's Tourism Promoter of the Year and four years later in 2005, Herb was honored as the Alabama's Tourism Executive of the Year.

"The Stars awards dinner is our chance to recognize those who have demonstrated excellence and serve as an inspiration to others in the restaurant and hotel industry and our community. On behalf of ARHA, I am proud of the members we have and the outstanding accomplishments they make day in and day out," said ARHA President Mindy Hanan.

Pictured: Gabrielle Barnett, Herb & Bessie Malone.

Coastal Half Marathon, 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run Nov. 30

Kick off the Run the Beach half marathon series in coastal Alabama with a Thanksgiving weekend tradition – the Kaiser



Realty by Wyndham Vacation Rentals Coastal Half Marathon, 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run Saturday, Nov. 30.

New for 2019, tourism partners are offering a special weekend package, including discounted accommodations, preferred Thanksgiving dinner seating at Ginny Lane Bar & Grill, a gift card for Tacky Jacks and coupons for the Tanger Outlet Center. Race participants can claim this offer through Oct. 28 at GSOB.co/ThanksgivingFun19.

"The Coastal Half Marathon, 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run was designed with families in mind with a distance for everyone on the accessible paved Backcountry Trail at Gulf State Park," said Beth Gendler, vice president of sales for the Sports Commission. In the spirit of holiday giving, participants, families and fans are encouraged to bring canned goods for the Gulf Shores-based Christian Service Center for a chance to win a free 2020 race entry. Activities throughout the morning include a poster station to cheer on the racers, live music, bounce houses, yard games and food provided by Cosmo's Restaurant & Bar.

Register for the half marathon, 5K or 1-mile fun run at Team-Magic.com. Up the ante and save \$30 by registering for the full Run the Beach half marathon series, which continues with the Big Beach Half Marathon Jan. 26, 2020 and the Sea Turtle Half Marathon Feb. 15, 2020.

To book discounted accommodations, visit Gulf-Shores.com. Also, be sure to check out the restaurants open for Thanksgiving and excellent Black Friday shopping options.

World War Memories exhibit 'til Dec. 14 at Heritage Museum

The Baldwin County Heritage Museum 7th Annual Exhibit, "WWI & WWII-Memories of Baldwin County" will open continue through December 14. Admission is free, and the museum is located at 25521 Hwy 98 E; in Elberta. Hours are Wed. - Sat. from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Exhibit endorsed by the Alabama Bicentennial Commission and supported by a Grant from the Alabama Bicentennial Commission Foundation, pays tribute to Baldwin County's men, women, places and activities during the war years. Using artifacts and information gathered from individuals, newspapers and other media, the exhibit provides a historical connection of the wars' impact on Baldwin County by focusing on the military personnel who served in both wars,

the top secret project "Operation Ivory Soap", the German mission "Operation Drumbeat" in the Gulf of Mexico and the Outer Landing Fields for the Navy.

More info: 251-986-8375; bchm@gulftel.com or facebook.

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Turkey Take-Out includes families in beach communities

In addition to the Foley Elementary site, Turkey Take-Out is partnering with Gulf Shores, Orange Beach & Swift schools to provide Thanksgiving meals to families who may need a little extra help in those communities this year. The program was established to provide families with a warm meal on Thanksgiving Day as well as non-perishable food items to fill the pantries of those in need.

Turkey Take-Out non-perishable food items can be delivered to: Genesis

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City Schools Central Office (300 East 16th Ave-

enue, Gulf Shores).

Churches or other organizations can also collect the food items to be delivered to Gulf

Shores Elementary School by Friday, November

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A donation of \$40 will feed a family of four.

Volunteers are needed for the preparation of

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COASTAL CHRISTMAS

Orange Beach Tree Lighting Ceremony Dec. 3 at The Wharf

The City of Orange Beach annual Christmas Tree Lighting is scheduled on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 5:30 p.m. at The Wharf. The ceremony will include musical performances, letters to Santa, cookie decorating, hot chocolate, reading of The Christmas Story by the Mayor of Orange Beach and more. Santa will arrive on a firetruck and photos will be available in Marlin Circle. The Holiday SPECTRA Sound & Light Spectacular will conclude the event.

Coastal Ballet's Nutcracker, Babes in Toyland & Gala in Dec.

Coastal Ballet and Madame Rio Cordy will present The Nutcracker Kingdom of Sweets Gala on Dec. 5 at 6 p.m. at the Coastal Arts Center Of Orange Beach and features Nutcracker excerpts, a silent auction, live music by Milton Faustino, hors d'oeuvres, drinks and special photo opportunities with the cast. Dress is cocktail or festive attire. Cost is \$50 per ticket.

- The Nutcracker performance with live music provided by the Baldwin County Youth Orchestra is Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. at the Erie Meyer Civic Center in Gulf Shores.
- Babes in Toyland with excerpts from The Nutcracker is Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. at South Baldwin Community Theatre.

Proceeds from the programs provide support for Coastal Ballet's community and youth outreach programs. Coastal Ballet is located at 3786 S McKenzie St. in Foley and their new studio is in the Medical Arts Building at 4223 Orange Beach Blvd. in Orange Beach. Call (251) 979-9851 or email coastalballet.org for info.

CSC Christmas Cheer program registration is open to families

The Christian Service Center's Children's Christmas Cheer Program, which helps lower income families provide memorable Christmases for their children, is accepting applications from 12:30 -2:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday through October.

November intake will be from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays except for the week of Thanksgiving. December intake will occur every day from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. beginning December 2 through December 12.

This program provides presents for our youth from birth through high school. Our service area includes Orange Beach, Gulf Shores and Fort Morgan. Proof of residency is required through a current bill or lease agreement. The office is located at 317 Dolphin Avenue, in Gulf Shores.

For the best chance at getting the gifts you requested for your children, register early.

Foley Art Center's Trim-A-Tree now open at Tanger Outlet

The Foley Art Center's Trim-A-Tree, its annual annual six week holiday fine arts and crafts event, is now open for business at its location in Suite 230 in the Tanger Outlet (next to Zumiez in the center on the South side). It continues through Dec. 21 from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Monday thru Saturday and 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. on Sundays. Trim-A-Tree features wonderful creations by over 200 artist & craftsmen from throughout the southeast.

Silverhill Christmas Parade slated Dec. 6

The 2017 Town of Silverhill Christmas Parade will be held on Friday, Dec. 6 at 6:30 p.m. The parade line-up will be in front of Silverhill Elementary School on 4th Ave. beginning at 6 p.m. For parade info, call 251-945-5198. The history of Silverhill began in 1896 when the Svea Land Company of Chicago decides to establish a Swedish farming colony.

Christmas Concert Nov. 23 at Snook Library in Summerdale

A Christmas Concert will be held on Saturday, November 23 at 6 p.m. at the The Majorie Younce Snook Public Library in Summerdale.

Victor Andzulis, Megan Andzulis, Sewell Griffith and Cory McKern will be featured, and tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Tickets are available at the library, Summerdale Town Hall and at the door.

Robertsdale Christmas Parade slated Dec. 7

The 2019 Robertsdale Christmas Parade and Christmas in the Park will be held on Saturday, Dec. 7 beginning at Robertsdale High School at 5 p.m. The parade route begins on Fairground Rd., goes north on Hwy. 59 and disperses at Honeybee Park. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be available for pictures after the parade. More info: 251-947-2626.



Billy Claus & The LuLuBelles at LuLu's Dec. 14

Enjoy a memorable family Holiday experience at LuLu's Gulf Shores Annual Billy Claus and The LuLuBelles free event on Saturday, December 14 at 1 p.m. Billy Claus is Santa's warm weather-loving brother who lives in the Caribbean but comes this way to help Santa during the Holiday season. The LuLuBelles are Billy's fun version of Santa's elves. Billy will arrive in style at 2 p.m. and visit with the children to hear their wish list to pass on to Santa. Billy and the LuLuBelles will be available for photos with the children. In addition to kid's arts & crafts activities, there will also be a reading of Billy Claus and the Spirit of Christmas children's book written by Lucy Buffett. LuLu's is located in Gulf Shores under the HWY 59 Bridge, next to Homeport Marina. For more Billy Claus information, call (251) 967-5858 or visit LuLuBuffett.com.

Gulf Shores Parade & Christmas In The Park Celebration Dec. 6.

The City of Gulf Shores Lighted Christmas Parade & Holiday Celebration will be held on Dec. 6 beginning at 6:30 p.m. The parade will feature festive lighted floats, holiday characters and marching bands, as parade entries make their way from Gulf Shores Public Beach and up Hwy. 59 to Sims Park.

The magical atmosphere from parade will roll continuously into the night as a celebration at the Sims Park will immediately follow.

Families can enjoy pictures with Santa, holiday treats, crafts and a 5th Annual snowball drop. It will be a man-made blizzard as 4,000 ping pong balls will be dropped from above by Santa with the winning number.

Baldwin Pops Christmas Concert Dec. 10 at Gulf Shores Cultural Center

The Baldwin Pops Band will present a Christmas themed concert at the Gulf Shores Cultural Center Auditorium on Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. This is a free event and will not require a ticket - first come, first serve.

Baldwin Pops is an organization of volunteer musicians whose mission is to share music in a concert band format free of charge to the citizens of Baldwin County. This is their 21st concert season. Pictures with Santa will be available at intermission in the lobby for \$5.

Baldwin Pops Concerts are a collection site for the US Marine Corps Reserves Toys for Tots program. Patrons are encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped gift.

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St. Margaret of Scotland Christmas Bazaar Dec. 7

The St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 8 a.m. 'til 3 p.m. The bazaar will include numerous vendors, a silent auction, a spaghetti dinner and musical entertainment.

St. Margaret's is located at the corner of Hwy 98 and Schumacher Lane in Foley. For more bazaar info, call Linda Eschler at 251-600-9694.

First Presbyterian of G.S. Sounds of Christmas Dec. 19

The First Presbyterian Church of Gulf Shores Chancel Choir will present the "Sounds of Christmas" on Thursday evening, Dec. 19 at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at 309 E. 21st Ave. in Gulf Shores. For more information, call 251-968-7720.

Foley United Methodist Pancakes w. Santa Dec. 14

The annual Foley United Methodist Women's Christmas Extravaganza Pancakes with Santa will be Saturday, December 14 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. in the church Spirit Center. For \$5, you can purchase pancakes and sausage, with your choice of drink. Santa will be present for pictures and there will be crafts for kids, a Christmas themed storytime at 10 a.m., and a cookie sale. Profits will support projects of United Methodist Women mission programs. The church is located at 915 N. Pine St.

Acoustic Christmas concerts Dec. 2 & 19 at CAC

Four A Change and Roman Street will present respective acoustic concerts at the Coastal Art Center of Orange Beach on Dec. 2 and Dec. 16. Tickets are \$20 for the Dec. 2 Four A Change show and are available at the Coastal Arts Center office.

Roman Street performs their Christmas Rhumba show on Dec. 19. Presented by Norma Hoots Lynch & Barbara McDanie of ReMax of Orange Beach, the concert is a fundraiser for CMN Children's and Women's Hospital in Mobile. Tickets are \$25 ad available on-line only at Roman Street Tickets (eventbrite.com).

The Coastal Art Center is located at 26389 Canal Rd. Info: 251-981-ARTS (2787).

Legends Christmas Show at OWA through Dec. 31

Las Vegas' longest running and most-awarded tribute show has launched its first annual Holiday show at OWA Theater in Foley. The show pays tribute to Tony Bennett, Dolly Parton, Lady Gaga, the Blues Brothers and George Michael through Dec. 31 Tuesday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Additional matinee shows are available at 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Adult tickets are on sale for \$34.95, and Child (ages 4-12) tickets are \$17.95. For the big finale, the cast will perform "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year" and the Legends band will pay a sensational tribute to the Trans-Siberian Orchestra's "Christmas Eve in Sarajevo" ("Carol of the Bells") that brings the magic of the season to Foley. For more info or to purchase tickets, go to visitowa.com or legendsinconcert.com.

Summerdale Christmas Dec. 14 at Pioneer Park

The Summerdale Christmas Parade participants will meet at 4:30 p.m. at Pioneer Park on Saturday, Dec. 14 for the town's annual parade. The parade begins on 4th street, and will travel Broadway, NW 4th, Broadway, and ends at Pioneer Park, where everyone can visit with Santa and enjoy refreshments.

For more info, visit summerdaleal.com.

Downtown Pensacola Christmas Parade Dec. 7

The Annual Downtown Pensacola Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, Dec. 7 at 5 p.m. on Palafox Street. The parade draws over 50,000 people and has grown to over 80 entries, including more than 50 floats! It is televised live on WKRG-TV5, pays tribute to the Navy's Blue Angels and hosts all five local high school bands.

Magic Christmas in Lights thru Dec. 31 at Bellingrath

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Bellingrath Gardens and Home presents the 24th season of Magic Christmas in Lights. Opening Night is

Nov. 29, and the show will continue nightly through Dec. 31 (closed on Christmas and New Year's Days). Purchase tickets on bellingrath.org, or at the door when you arrive.

The dazzling nighttime display features more than 1,100 set pieces, 3 million lights and 15 scenes, set out in a walking tour throughout the 65-acre garden estate that was the home of Walter and Bessie Bellingrath.

Dec. 5 Hark! A Christmas Concert raises Habitat funds

St' Paul's Episcopal Church and The Baldwin County Habitat for Humanity will

be hosting "Hark! A Christmas Concert" on December 5 at 7 p.m. at the Foley Civic Center. Doors open

at 6:30 p.m., and Four a Change (pictured) will present popular Christmas Carols and Hymns.

Refreshments will be served for donations to Habitat. Proceeds will benefit the ministries of Baldwin County Habitat for Humanity and St. Paul's, so purchase your tickets soon. Last year's concert was a near sellout. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at St. Paul's Church office in Foley, Baldwin County Habitat for Humanity in Summerdale, Think Outside Furniture, members of "Four a Change" and by calling (251-943-2173).



Swift-Coles Historic Home Christmas Open House Dec. 7

Swift-Coles Historic Home in Bon Secour presents its annual Christmas Open House on Saturday Dec 7 from 10 a.m. 'til 3 p.m. Admission is \$18 at the gate and includes an appetizer buffet and music from Melody Duncan and Sherrie Lynn. Arts & crafts vendors will also be at the event. The home is located at 17424 Swift-Coles Ln. Info: 251-949-5550 or SwiftColesHistoricHome.com.



45th Annual Christmas Bazaar Dec. 6-7 in Robertsedale

St. Patrick's Ladies Auxiliary is readying for its forty fifth annual Christmas Bazaar. Starting from December 6-7. Doors will open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Patrick's Center on 23035 Hwy 59 in Robertsedale.

The Bazaar will feature over 100 hand crafted gift baskets along with fresh baked Stollen (coffee cakes) and nut filled Kifles. There will also be a Jam Stand filled with jams, jellies, and sauces made by local cooks. The church ladies, including baking prize winning baker, Sylvia Pulliam, will present homemade cakes, candies, and cookies for sale. Unique hand crafted items are also in the spotlight. Starting with handmade quilts, afghans, baby items, soaps, and shabby chic. The Christmas tree stand is always a place to stop and gaze at the gorgeous trees and arrangements. This year buffalo plaid will be featured. A hand made quilt, pieced and quilted by Barbara Landers and friends will be raffled. Get your ticket with a small donation. Proceeds will benefit community charities, St. Patrick Church, and St. Patrick School.

Pictured: Front - L to R Pam Ackis, Sylvia Pulliam, Fran Frayne; Second Row - L to R Cheryl Connor, Jennifer Sprock, Carolyn Bell; Third Row - L-R Linda Eubanks, JoAnne Kinsey, Susan Mullek, Barbara Landers, Felicia Weimer, Margaret O'Hara.



Foley Christmas Parade & Let It Snow Dec. 7

The 61st Annual Foley Kiwanis Club Christmas Parade and Let It Snow will be held on Saturday, Dec. 7. The parade begins at 10 a.m. at the National Guard Armory on E. Violet Ave., then proceeds south on Ala. 59, before turning west on W. Verbena Ave. The route then turns north on S. Oak Street, then east on U.S. 98, ending at the intersection of Ala. 59 (McKenzie Street) and U.S. 98 (Laurel Ave.).

No matter what the official weather prediction is for the day, there will be snow – and lots of it – in Heritage Park following the parade at the 19th Annual Let It Snow celebration from 11 a.m. ‘til 2 p.m. Let It Snow is a free event sponsored by the city of Foley and involves much more than snow.

Entertainment includes music, a Foley High School Band concert, a preview of The Nutcracker, a children’s art village, food vendors, balloon creations, the famous Whoville Hair Salon and inflatable bounce houses. The gazebo in Heritage Park is an excellent backdrop for special Christmas photos with family and friends. Santa will make a special appearance from 1 -2 p.m. For more information, go to VisitFoley.org or call the city of Foley at 251-943-1300.

Pictured: Festivities from 2018 Foley Christmas Parade.

The Baldwin Pops are at Foley Civic Center Dec. 9

The Baldwin Pops Band will present A Gulf Coast Christmas on Dec. 9 show at The Foley Civic Center beginning at 7 p.m. The family friendly, festive concert is free and Santa plans to drop in for a short visit with the children. Pictures with Santa will be available for \$5 in the lobby during intermission. A Toys for Tots representative from the U.S Marine Corps Reserve will be available to collect new unwrapped toys for those who wish to contribute. The Foley Civic Center is located at 407 E Laurel Ave. More info: baldwinpopsband.com, Facebook or 251-987-5757.

Baldwin County Heritage Museum Christmas Celebration is Dec. 1

The Annual Christmas Celebration at the Baldwin County Heritage Museum will be held on Dec. 1 from 4- p.m. festiviteis include a Christmas Tree display of the many different cultures that helped shape Baldwin County. Patrons can also be part of a BCHM tradition -t he Angel Memory Tree lighting. This tree is filled with tributes in memory or in honor of friends, family, and loved ones. For a donation of \$10 each, an Angel will be named and placed on the tree for the one you want to remember or honor. The St. Mark’s Lutheran Church Handbell

Choir will perform and the Copper Kettle Teabar will be on-site with delightful teas to sip. The musuem is located at 25521 Highway 98 in Elberta (251-986-8375).

Foley Library Makersaurus Time Holiday Snowflakes on Nov. 27

Makersaurus Time presents “Holiday Snowflakes” on Nov. 27 from 4-5 p.m. at Foley Public Library, located at 319 E. Laurel Ave. (251-943-7665). Makersaurus Time for children ages 6-16 years. Space is limited so call for reservations.

Foley Christmas In The Park is Dec. 6

Foley’s Annual Christmas in the Park will be held on Friday, December 6 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. in Heritage Park. The event includes the lighting of the city Christmas tree, holiday songs and a visit with Santa, complete with elves. The mayor lights the official Christmas tree, local groups sing Christmas songs and the Foley Caboose Club provides free train rides on the Ebert Express around the park for children of all ages to enjoy. Folks can stroll through a miniature Christmas Village and Christmas Tree Lane while enjoying free treats and hot cocoa. Go to visitfoley.org for more details. Winners for the Tree Decorating contest will also be announced. Heritage Park is located at 125 E Laurel Ave. Info: 251-943-1200 or visitfoley.com.

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City Rhythm Big Band Dance Dec. 14 in Loxley

A new season for City Rhythm Big Band dances at the Loxley Civic Center kicks off with the Dec. 14 Christmas Dance. The dance is from 7-10 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person, and snacks will be available at the BYOB event. (Water, cups, and ice provided).

"We are excited that fall is finally here and the Band will get back to doing what we do best. - entertaining the folks who love to dance and listen to big band music," said CRBB manager Bill Clark.

The 18 piece band is comprised of professional musicians who enjoy offering evenings of wonderful music and dancing. The musicians come from near and far to entertain and delight everyone with their varied dance styles from cha to swing to waltz. They play new favorites as well as big band era standards, Vocalists Kathy Murchison and Ken Thacker add their awesome talents to the band.

Dances are also scheduled on January 25, February 22, March 21, April 25 and May 9 at the Loxley Civic Center (4198 Municipal Park Dr.) For more info, go to facebook or call 251-554-5497

Coastal Art Center Lights Up The Arts on Dec. 12



The Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach will hold Light Up the Arts from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 12. The annual event features fine art, hot chocolate and cookies, a raffle, the Jingle Mingle Jewelry Show and a festive music performances. Experience hot glass and cool clay demonstrations by The Hot Shop and The Clay Studio. The Coastal Art Center is located at 26389 Canal Rd. More info: coastalartscenter.com, 251-981-ARTS (2787).

Optimist Club's Lillian Christmas Parade Dec. 14

The annual Lillian Optimist Club sponsored Christmas Parade will be Saturday, December 14 at 1 p.m. The Grand Marshal will be Price Legg. All organizations, churches, businesses, groups, clubs, and individuals who would like to be in the parade should contact Judy Wargo at 586-383-1206, or paulwargo3@gmail.com.

Parade participants will assemble around noon in front of the Lillian Community Club. The route will be the same as previous years.

The parade date falls on the 200th anniversary of Alabama becoming the 22nd state. Lillian will combine the celebrations, and Price Legg, the chairman of the Lillian Bicentennial Committee, will be the parade Grand Marshal.

Mr. Legg is a perfect choice to lead the bicentennial observance. His ancestors were settlers in Alabama before statehood. He is a charter member of The Order of First Families of the Alabama Territory. He is a former President of the Alabama Society Sons of the American Revolution, and he also served as President of The Society War of 1812 in the State of Alabama.

Price was born in Birmingham and graduated from the University of Alabama in 1961. He served in the U.S. Air Force and was stationed in France. After he left military service, he began working at the Birmingham Credit Union. This was the beginning of a long and distinguished career that eventually led to becoming an officer at CUNA Mutual Insurance Group (Credit Union National Association).

His work for CUNA made it possible for Price and his wife, Jean, to travel all over the country, and following retirement Price became a member

of several organizations' boards of directors which allowed them to continue traveling.

A friend told them about Lillian and the Legg's purchased property on Perdido Bay in 1992 that is still their home.

Price was appointed to the Baldwin County Historical Development Commission in 2017 and accepted their invitation to lead the bicentennial celebration in Lillian; in particular, the two Historical Markers erected in Lillian this past year.

Pictured: Price Legg, Grand Marshall of this year's Christmas Parade, with Judy Wargo, Chairman of the Dec 14 parade.



First Baptist Miracles in a Manger open to public 'til Dec. 18

By Connie Kirkland

First Baptist Church Gulf Shores invites the Gulf Coast community and visitors to enjoy a time of reflection and peace while visiting our "Miracle in a Manger". The exhibit, now in its sixth year, features Nativities displayed from around the world. All the displays have a story to tell of the Gift. The free display is open daily from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Sunday, December 8 through Wednesday December 18. It is our Gift to the community. First Baptist Church Gulf shores is located at 2200 West First Street. For more info call 251-968-7369 or visit fbcgulf.com.

Alabama Coast Eye Clinic sponsors toy & food drive

Alabama Coast Eye Clinic in Gulf Shores is partnering with Ecumenical Ministries of South Baldwin to sponsor a toy and canned good drive. Bring a new unwrapped toy or five canned food items to the clinic before Dec. 11 and earn a chance to win a pair of sunglasses valued at up to \$200. The drawing will be held on Dec. 12. The clinic is located at 261 Clubhouse Dr. in Gulf Shores. For more info, call 251-968-2020.

Fairhope lights trees to start holidays Nov. 21

The City of Fairhope's annual lighting of its iconic downtown trees is Thursday, Nov. 21. Festivities begin at 5:30 p.m. and the lights come on at 6 p.m. Entertainment includes the Fairhope High Band, and the Fairhope Middle School Band.

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Why Not A Gulf Shores Waterway Village Gallery Row?

By Fran Thompson

"Why not a Gallery Row in the Waterway Village?" asks JD Swiger, a local artist who is featured along with his brother Michael, Kelly West and Nick Cantrell on beer cans being produced at

"The new art center in Orange Beach and the GCAA Gallery have helped a lot. Before that, there was no place to buy art except for maybe furniture stores and Tino's Gallery."

Big Beach Brewing Company, a Gulf Shores Waterway Village business that did not exist when those four artists were growing up on Pleasure Island.

"It is set up for something like that now," JD added about the West Canal Rd. parcel between Big Beach Brewery and the Hwy. 59 Bridge. "It would add so much more to that area. It would be amazing and it would bring in more tourism dollars. I think it's been a missing puzzle piece in the city itself."

The current Gulf Coast Art Alliance didn't even exist when the Swiger brothers were stand-out football players at Gulf

Shores High less than 10 years ago.

Cantrell was walking from his Bay Circle home to teach Mr. Campbell fly his ultra-lite from the beach behind the old Orange Beach Hotel 30 years before the City of Orange Beach built its spectacular Coastal Art Center complex on that same site.

Kelly West spent 10 years in Montana honing her creative side after growing up here as an artistically inclined competitive athlete in Gulf Shores. Also a musician, West is back in time to possibly play gigs at the Performing Arts Center in Orange Beach set to open next summer.

The aforementioned homegrown artists are all committed to seeing their town recognized as a place to find great original art in addition to beautiful beaches and fresh seafood.

The City of Orange Beach, with its beautiful Coastal Art Center, Hot Shop, Clay Studio and popular spring art fest, has always had an eye towards promoting the creative side of beach life.

The growth of art culture in Gulf Shores is slowly catching up, and it can be traced directly to the Gulf Coast Art Alliance and its gallery located smack in the middle of Waterway Village.

The non-profit was started by Tommy Vogel, Eloise Thomley, Maria Bastin and others just six years ago and it has been growing ever since both as a vehicle for teaching art and a way for local artists to sell their work.

The GCAA also presents its annual Ballyhoo Festival and at least seven art markets every year.

"I would say that 90 percent of our visitors to the gallery are from out of state," Thomley said. "And it's mostly snowbirds that respond to the art classes."

Vogel thinks it is always going to be hard to pull tourists away from the beach during the summer season. But more businesses at Waterway Village would help.

"It would be better if there were other things to bring people around our area, that is for sure," he said. "Of course, it would be nice to have other kinds of shops and businesses geared towards the arts around our property."

"We get kids right out of college coming in here hoping to hang up their art, and I have to tell them that is not how it works. I don't want to disappoint them, but it's a tough business if you want to make a living out of it. We try to promote all of our artists and encourage them to do outside shows besides the art markets."

Thomley points out that Tara Alford at Blue Girl Beading around the corner from the GCAA gallery sells jewelry she creates and potter Steve Dark and painter Rick Tino also both have galleries near the GCAA.

She would also love to see a future Waterway Village that includes working studios, pottery and glass shops, melding with ice cream parlors, novelty shops and restaurants that include outside seating.

"I do see the art scene growing here," said Cantrell. "We've been trying to cultivate it for a long time. The new art center in Orange Beach and the GCAA Gallery have helped a lot. Before that, there was no place to buy art except for

maybe furniture stores and Tino's Gallery.

"Having all the art education around also helps others to find their creativity and that has encouraged awareness and support for the arts," he added.

The artists featured by Big Beach Brewing on their craft beer cans are all friends and all supportive of each other's efforts.

"It's a pretty cool little family of folks," said Cantrell. "We help each other out as much as we can."

"We push each other," West added. "We all share what we are doing in our work and share how we are marketing ourselves. Nick and the Swigers are so good about encouraging others to dream. That is what I love that about them so much. They want to make this an artsy town. They want people come down here just for the art."

"We appreciate the artists that were here before us like Kelly, and what people like Tommy Vogel and Ms. Eloise (Thomley) have done for us," JD Swiger said. "I know there is more of an art scene here now even since we created Swiger Studio in 2017."

"There is room for everyone to grow," said Michael Swiger. "Collectively, our cause is the same. Hopefully, we can continue that and be ambassadors for art for the next generation."

"More people are buying into it," JD Swiger added. "Even (Big Beach Brewing Company general manager Ryan Shamburger) Ryan reaching out to us for his project is exciting. Michael and I want to be part of creating a booming art community. Maybe one day we can be the old guys who helped pave the way for the next generation, just like the older artists have done for us."



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Big Beach Brewing Co. commissions local artists to design growler labels

By Fran Thompson

Coming up with labels to wrap around canned growlers at Big Beach Brewing Company was a welcome challenge for local artists Michael Swiger, JD Swiger, Nick Cantrell and Kelly West. All four frequent Pleasure Island's first and only brewery, and West also plays music there. They were thrilled when general manager Ryan Shamburger approached them with an offer to create specific growler labels for three of Big Beach's most popular pours: Hundred Daze - Gulf Coast IPA (Kelly West); Area Two Fifty-one - Hazy IPA (Swiger Studios (JD and Michael); and Midnight Cruise - Porter (Nick Cantrell).

The idea was pushed by Julie Shamburger (Ryan's mom), who owns Gulf Shores Brewery with her husband Jim, who also happens to be Cantrell's and West's dentist. Julie was also instrumental in matching the artists' styles with the theme of the beer they were designing labels for.

"She loved the simplicity of local beer supporting local art, and vice versa," Ryan Shamburger said. Traditionally, can lines have similar imagery so that beer fans can recognize them on grocery store shelves, at bars, or in liquor stores. But since Big Beach's growlers are sold only in its own taproom, there will be no confusion of which brewery makes them.

"That realization gave us some leeway to make labels with wildly different color schemes and imagery," Ryan Shamburger said. "It is common to recruit one artist, but I'm not sure how common it is to recruit four."

Each of the artists had successful "artist takeovers" in the Big Beach

courtyard when their growler labels were introduced.

The Swigers were asked to use a lifeguard stand and an alien to design Area Two Fifty One. And they worked with Big Beach on everything from form to fonts before coming up with a label that clicked.

"It was fun and we appreciated being able to do something like this for a local business," JD Swiger said.

Kelly West has designed logos for clients ranging from paddleboard manufacturers to fitness companies, but designing the Hundred Daze label was among her favorite commissions, because it presented special challenges.

"It is common to recruit one artist, but I'm not sure how common it is to recruit four."

those times it was trial and error."

While Kelly was working through ways to make her label as directed, a friend came to the art studio in her house. "As I was telling him about my frustrations with trying to make it 'trippy and fun,' he said to use your finger. So I got out a glove I use for tattoos and put a swirl in the sun with my finger tip. That was the last touch I needed to make the colors come together."

Cantrell and Ryan Shamburger are longtime friends and fellow sailors.

During a visit to talk about an epic sailing adventure, Nick told Ryan about a particular night when he was on the early morning watch in the middle of the ocean amidst 16 to 18 ft. seas. "All you could see

"Since it's on a small scale, you have to take into consideration that every little thing will be seen," she said. "Sometimes I do a piece several times until I'm completely happy with it. Sometimes it's as quick as one day and sometimes it's a whole month. This was one of

was phosphorous when each wave hit the windshield," Nick said. "It was glowing and really unbelievable."

"Ryan asked me to try to capture that phosphorus, and find some of that magic and glow that was occurring in the water."

"We brew what we like" is the mantra and philosophy that Jim and Julie Shamburger have stood by since they opened Big Beach Brewing Company.

In less than three years, it has become a Waterway Village hub where dogs and kids are as welcome as snowbirds and coeds.

Offering live music that ranges from new wave to bluegrass and dueling pianos to blues, and nights set aside specifically for trivia nerds and running clubs, Big Beach has quickly established itself as a locals' hangout frequented by tourists.

So it is certainly no surprise that its owners believe that art, just like beer, is best made and served locally.

Nick Cantrell

Nick Cantrell is the old man among this particular group of artists connected by their hometown. Part of the three musketeers who made art cool at Foley High

"Since it's on a small scale, you have to take into consideration that every little thing will be seen."

School in the late 1980's (along with Greg Hopkins, now an artist in Brooklyn, and the late Lance Eslava (who went on to own Down Under Dive Shop), Nick did not consider following his high school muse until he almost lost an arm from a blood clot while at Auburn. He took that as a sign and switched his major from building science to fine arts.

Married to his Foley High sweet-

heart (he took her to the senior prom), ceramics artist Maya Blume-Cantrell, Nick has been working full-time as an artist for the past seven years, after successful stints selling real estate in Asheville and Gulf Shores.

While doing post Hurricane Irene contract work in New York, he saw a painting that caught his attention. Unable to determine how the artist captured the texture on her paintings, he called her and learned that it was all in the paper. He followed up on that concept and soon had his medium - batik.

He credits re-connecting with Kelly West in the parking lot of the Flying Harpoon with giving him the inspiration to try to make a living creating art.

"I don't remember Kelly in pigtails and braces, but her brother (Jeremy) and I were friends at Foley. So I knew her," Nick said. "I was still a closet artist with a real job and Kelly was out there selling art from the back of her van. She was making music and creating art. She was unafraid. It inspired me. I still have a collection of Kelly's stuff at the house."

Like the Swigers and Kelly, Nick is also a commercial artist, adding his own style to illustrations, corporate logos, album artwork and whatever else a client needs. He spends about half the year selling his nature themed Batik watercolors, each drawn and layered with contrasting washes, at art festivals throughout the southeast. He has also contributed numerous public art projects to schools and non-profits all around the island.

Kelly West

Kelly West went to Gulf Shores for three years and, for a different experience, Foley for her senior year.

A standout in volleyball and soccer as a teen and now an avid surfer, she credits both her parents, Coach B at GSHS and the late Lisa Wood at FHS for nurturing her creative side.

She began designing tattoos at Counter Culture soon after high school and still does design work and tattoos for Carolyn Hall at

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Kelly uses a pallette knife or a brush to create art that is impressionistic with bold strikes of color. It is a style she honed while living and loving nature in Montana for 10 years.

She has traded mountainscapes for beach scenes and wildlife for sea life since returning to the Gulf Coast. But she still loves working on both wild animal and pet portraits. "After high school, I did a lot of design work and logos. But I've gotten away from that and do mostly pet portraits, murals and a lot of oil paintings," she said. "But I'll do whatever people need and want, if it fits in where I want my art to be."

By design, her use of large colorful brush strokes on portraits does not create picture perfect paintings. That is the idea. Kelly's work can best be appreciated by looking for the fine lines that lead to what is happening within the art. "It's less about perfection and more about feeling and movement," she said.

For pet portraits, she'll use thick brushes, broad strokes and lots of paint. On other projects, she will stick to the pallette knives.

That willingness to experiment, to evolve, to blur the lines between abstract and realism is how she avoids her art becoming stagnant. She finds freedom in contrasts that create their own subtleties.

Back home and settled in, Kelly is proud to be part of her hometown's growing art scene. She and her fiancé (glass blower and O.B. Coastal Art Center instructor Greg Hoff) bought a house next to her father Gary's place in Foley.

"We want to make this a town where people are coming down here all year for art," she said.

Swiger Studios

Brothers Michael and JD Swiger talked about going into business together even before they entered Gulf Shores High School. Those conversa-

tions still include a third brother, Joseph, who is now a respected music producer in Baton Rouge.

As adolescent beach kids, they thought they might follow in local hero Blonde John's footsteps and open a surf shop. They did expect that all three brothers would have the same desire to impact others through careers in the creative arts.

"That we are all artists now and contributing under the same umbrella is incredible," JD said. "I never imagined this."

Both Michael and JD were formally educated in the arts, Michael at Flagler and JD at Huntington, where he was a captain on the football team.

They also both took time to hone their art elsewhere following college. JD went to Australia and Michael moved to Hilton Head, where he worked at ITS Classics doing work for corporations up and down the Atlantic Seaboard. It was sometimes tedious and not particularly glamorous. But he said that background was a key component in creating Swiger Studios when the timing was right.

Although he eventually earned a degree in graphic design, JD changed majors from business management to sports management to economics to communications before landing in the field he has worked in ever since returning from Australia.

At Swiger Studio, the brothers work in complete collaboration, whether its graphic design, photography, videography or other mixed media. That is the work that pays the bills.

"There is not much that comes to us that we don't feel we can handle," JD said.

But they go their own direction when they create art for themselves.

"Michael has a style that is almost the opposite of mine," JD said. "The meaning behind our work is similar. But we are both individuals when it comes to our art."

JD's most recent series is based on raising environmental consciousness by taking trash that he finds along his hometown's shoreline and turning it into art. It's a visual depiction of what the Leave Only Footprints and Save The Beach programs exemplify. One of the pieces in the collection was made from 2,000 cigarette butts.

Michael's mixed media artwork can include everything from organic canvas to wood to airbrush. It is a mix of realism and surrealism.

Like all artists, he creates connectivity by adding his own unique intangibles. "Mixing geometric patterns that come from the inter-connectivity between things you don't think connect" is how he describes it. "Some of it is a trial. But it's the mixture. The sense of inter-connectivity in behavior between all things.

That has been the magic."

A gifted three-sport athlete in high school, Michael was always artistic. He drew the posters for his school musicals. He designed Homecoming t-shirts, flyers for art shows and whatever else he was asked to do, including a mural at the GSHS entrance. "I was always drawing something," he said.

GSHS Art Teacher Coach Boyd gave him added support. "He pushed me to do what I wanted. To make a career of it," Michael said. "He begged me to please pursue something creative."

JD said their parents put their heads down and worked hard so that their children could feel unburdened and seek a career path in the creative class.

"They worked hard so we would have the option to branch out and try other things and not have to worry as much about financial stability," he said. "That is not to say we don't work hard, but that support has always been there. They gave us the opportunity to be creative. They trusted us to work hard until we saw the light."

"They definitely always let us know that they wanted us to be happy," Michael added. "They would say if we do something we are passionate about, the rest will follow. It's been that way so far, no doubt."

Pictured: (l to r) Nick Cantrell, Kelly West, Michael Swiger, JD Swiger.



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Gulf Shores Woman's Club presents checks

The Gulf Shores Woman's Club would like to thank all of the GSWC membership, our guests, Craft Farms, our local shops and Gulf Shores firemen who participated in the GSWC 2019 Silent Auction and Fashion Show Luncheon on October 3rd, our 17th annual event. At the November 13 general meeting and luncheon, the proceeds from the event were donated to two local charities. Executive Director Beth Biggs of Family Promise and Christine Landers from Mary's Shelter accepted the donations. A family that had received support from Family Promise spoke to members and guests about the value and hope that this organization had provided them, while Christine Landers shared information about Mary's Shelter.

Pictured: Left to right: Beth Biggs (Executive Director of Family Promise), Wilma Trent (Silent Auction & Fashion Show Luncheon Chairman), Christine Landers (Bookkeeper, Mary's Shelter).



PAIGE MOORE PRESENTED ISLAND SPIRIT AWARD: The Coastal Alabama Business Chamber recently presented the Island Spirit Award for October to Paige Moore of Duck's Diner in Orange Beach. Paige's nominations had this to say about her, "I recently visited Duck's Diner and a smiling young lady greeted me and brought me to my seat. Her waitress style was a wonderful reflection of our community. This young girl looked every one of her customers in the eye with a great smile. Afterwards, I asked her why she was so friendly and she told me that this is a resort community and that our island depends on our guests being treated in such a way that will make them want to come back. She has a grateful heart which spills over in how she treats her local customers and our island guests." The award was designed to give recognition to individuals who make special contributions to the quality of life we enjoy in the Coastal Alabama region. Leslie Haley chairs the committee. Info: islandspiritaward.com.

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WED, NOV 20

- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.
- **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **John Joiner & Friends:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Kyle Brady:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Big Beach Running Club:** 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; all levels welcome.
- **Bingo Night:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.
- **Swing Dancing:** 7, American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- **Karaoke:** 7; 45 Restaurant & Bar at One Club, Gulf Shores.
- **Open Mic:** 7; Tacky Jack's, Fort Morgan.
- **Open Mic:** 5:30; Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **Open Mic w. Dave Meadows:** 7; The Sandshaker; The Wharf in Orange Beach.
- **Danny Grady:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Bingo:** 10 a.m.; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play:** 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.
- **Orange Beach Sportfishing Club:** 6 p.m. cocktails; 7 p.m. meeting; downstairs at Tacky Jacks Orange Beach; Info: Jon Perkinson at jwperk13@aol.com.
- **Precept Bible Study:** 10 a.m.; Exit Realty, Hwy 59 in Gulf Shores; info: 205-980-0330.
- **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.
- **Geeks who drink trivia Night:** 6:30 p.m.; The Gulf Coast Elks Lodge 2789, Foley; 251-550-1060.
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **South Alabama Senior Travelers:** 9

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a.m.; Foley Senior Center; visitors welcome; 251-928-4494.

- **Orange Beach Friends of the Library:** 10; Library meeting room; 978-4106.
- **Food Ministry For Hungry Families:** noon-1 p.m.; Grace Lutheran Church, corner of West 23rd Ave. and West 4th St. in Gulf Shores; 251-968-5991.
- **Bread Ministry:** 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Orange Beach United Methodist Church Brook's Center.
- **Food Bank:** 9 - 11 a.m. every Wednesday, Perdido Bay Baptist Church, 12600 Sorrento Rd. Pensacola; call for eligibility requirements at (850) 492-2604.
- **Gulf Shores Woman's Club:** 11 a.m.; Palmer Room at Craft Farms; all interested women invited to attend; 251-980-5722.
- **Perdido Key Rotary Club:** 7:30 a.m.; every Wednesday at United Methodist Church Activity Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola.
- **Gulf Shores Lions Club:** noon; 2nd & 4th Wednesday; noon; Gulf Shores Adult Activity Center, 300 E. 16th Avenue; 251-968-2823.
- **Storytime at Pensacola Southwest Branch Library:** free; infant to 5; 10:30-11; 12238 Old Gulf Beach Hwy; (850)453-7780.
- **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

THU, NOV 21

- **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.
- **John Brust:** 6; Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Tim Roberts:** 6; Tin Top Restaurant; Bon Secour.
- **Jimmy Lumpkin:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke:** 7:30; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Ft. Morgan.
- **Karaoke Dance Party:** 8; The Sandshaker, The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- **Open Mic:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- **Trivia Factory:** 7; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.
- **Skyline Kings:** 6; Hub Stacy's At The Point, Innerarity Point.
- **Karaoke/DJ Party w. Kelly:** 8; The Sandshaker; The Wharf in Orange Beach.
- **Scott Koehn:** 5:30; Pleasure Island Tiki Bar, Orange Beach.
- **Blind Draw Dart Tourney:** 7, American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Overeaters Anonymous:** noon; Orange Beach Presbyterian Church.
- **Foley Garden Club:** 3rd Thursday of

month, Sept through May at Foley Public Library, second floor meeting room at 12:30 p.m. except when club has field trips; Info: Linda Ford, 251-972-871.

- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **Smokey & Mark:** 7; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play:** 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.
- **Bridge:** noon; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **8 Ball APA:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
- **Rotary Club of Gulf Shores/Orange Beach:** noon; Gulf Shores Golf Club; visiting Rotarians and guests invited; 251-968-2000.
- **Coping Conversations Grief Support Group:** 9:30 a.m.; Nix Center, Fairhope, 251-626-5255 or 251-928-2835.
- **Gulf Shores United Methodist Church Bread Ministry:** 9-10; every Thursday; room 103 on the south campus, next to Crossroad; 251 968-2411.
- **Adult Bible Study:** 10 a.m.; Gulf Shores Presbyterian Church; all welcome; (251) 968-7720.
- **Orange Beach Bridge Club:** Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.
- **Gulf Shores Library Pre-school (3-5)**

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

FRI, NOV 22

• Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• Flora-Bama Bingo: free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.
• Rib Eye Dinner to help Veterans and Families: 5 p.m.; music & dancing at 7 p.m.; American Legion Post 44; Gulf Shores.

• Warp Speed Zulu: 7; The Office, Foley.
• Roger & Elaine: 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
• Ronnie Presley: 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
• Shelby Brown: 7; Tacky Jack's, Fort Morgan.
• Open Mic Karaoke: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
• The Reunion Band: 7; Hub Stacy's At The Point, Innerarity Point.
• Karaoke: 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
• Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
• Open Jam: 8; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.

• Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play: 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.
• Brandon Styles Comedy Magic Show: 8 p.m.; OWA, Foley.
• Karaoke: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
• Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
• Bingo: 5:30; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.
• Alcoholics Anonymous: noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center; 13660 Innerarity Pt. Rd.; 850-492-3056 or 492-6362.

SAT, NOV 23

• Opera "Akhmaten" by Philip Glass: in high definition from The Metropolitan Opera, 11:55 am, at the Cobb Pinnacle 14 movie theater. Set in ancient Egypt with countertenor Antony Costanzo as the Pharaoh Akhnaten.
• Perdido Area Community Craft & Vendor Fair: 9 a.m.; Baars Field; Pensacola.
• Warp Speed Zulu: 7; The Office, Foley.
• Funk House Trio: 9; The Office, Foley.
• White Christmas in the Tropics: 8 p.m.; Mystical Order of the Aurora event; Perdido Beach Resort.

• Flicks on the Field: 6 p.m.; Pensacola Greyhound Track
• Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
• Brandon & Carl: 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
• Brandon Styles 1-Man Variety Show: 8; OWA, Foley.
• John Brust: 6; Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
• Karaoke: 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
• Cadillac Attack: 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
• Blenders: 7; Hub Stacy's At The Point, Innerarity Point.

Orange Beach City Council

O.B. City Council will explore locations for city golf cart pathways State law prevents carts on roads with speeds limits of more than 25 Mph

By John Mullen

Making good on a promise from the Oct. 1 town hall meeting the Orange Beach City Council is discussing spending \$18,000 to explore locations for new pathways in the city.

"The mayor would like to look into the feasibility of constructing golf cart paths," Community Development Director Kit Alexander said. "Shared paths between golf carts, bicyclists and pedestrians. This is the first attempt to look at the feasibility of constructing multi-modal paths including golf carts on roadways that have a speed limit greater than 25 mph."

Also, during the dual meeting on Nov. 5, the city formalized phase two of an agreement with Island Fiber to help the company bring fiber technology and high-speed internet to neighborhoods in Orange Beach.

During the town hall meeting, Mayor Tony Kennon said the city will have to move forward on a new golf cart ordinance to address growing numbers and concerns of the carts throughout the city. The city is writing the ordinance to comply with state law which states golf carts can't be operated on roads with speed limits of more than 25 mph, must be driven by a licensed driver and must have lights and blinkers.

"Our goal is an ordinance that will be minimal in nature, to accomplish what state law requires us to do," Kennon said at the Oct. 1 meeting. "What we think will happen is you will have to retrofit the lights and all that stuff. It's about \$650, average, to retrofit golf cart to make it so-called street legal which is not really a correct term. That is probably going to have to happen. We'll have a phase-in period, a grace period. But eventually, every golf cart will have to meet those standards, be inspected and permitted."

This new study will cover the entire city but Kennon said the city has more leeway on city-maintained streets than it does on state highways like Canal Road from the Wharf to State Route 161 and 161 south from there to the beach.

"My point is everywhere we see an opportunity to create a golf cart path, Marina Road may be one

because it's a city street," Kennon said. "That may be something we can do. We may be able to come in and widen that to 10 feet and declare it a golf cart path then that's what we're going to do. I promise you we are going to attack in every way we can to create arteries for golf carts to go anywhere they want to go."

Kennon also said that Canal Road was another possibility from Doc's Seafood Shack all the way to Bear Point because the city recently took over maintenance of that portion of what used to be Alabama 180.

It's still under state control from Doc's west as is all of Alabama 161.

"We will have to have the state's permission to create a golf cart path on 161 north and south because that's all state right of way," Kennon said.

The study, Alexander said, will determine what's required for the golf cart paths along both city and state roadways in Orange Beach.

"This is all brand new to us so we need to research what the appropriate width would be, we'll have to look into where there are utilities," Alexander said. "Just basically become familiar with the rights of way that we would look at and what the criteria and specifications would be."

Island Fiber

Orange Beach finalized an agreement with Island Fiber to pay \$1,000 for every customer signed up for the first 1,200 households or \$1.2 million. The company will submit a monthly bill for payment on the customers signed up for that month starting in November.

To pay the loan back, Island Fiber will then make quarterly payments of \$5 per customer until the full amount is repaid to the city. Those payments will begin on May 1.

As part of the agreement, Island Fiber is to provide a construction schedule and set up public meetings to inform residents of the availability of the new service and when to expect it in their neighborhoods.

"Island Fiber will work with the city to plan a marketing strategy to generate sufficient interest among target constituents to meet the necessary

subscription levels in order to make the construction of the Project economically viable," the agreement states. "Island Fiber agrees to develop verbal presentations and written communications describing the proposed services and the benefits of the project to the target constituents."

During the regular session, the council:

- Approved a lounge retail liquor license application by Ramp Enterprises for Seaside Liquor 4, 25751 Perdido Beach Boulevard.
- Approved a resolution declaring certain personal property as surplus and unneeded and authorizing the mayor and city clerk to dispose of such property. Those include a 1999 Ford Crown Victoria and a 2000 Ford F-650 flatbed truck and two knuckle boom trucks.
- Approved a resolution awarding the bid for SWAT vests and plate carriers for the Police Department to Gulf States Distributors in the amount of \$21,588 and per-unit pricing for a maximum of three years.
- Approved a resolution awarding the bid for on-call electrical services to A&B Electric Company of Mobile per unit pricing for a maximum of three years.
- Approved a resolution awarding the bid for a lighting system for baseball field 2 at the Orange Beach Sportsplex to M. Gay Constructors in an amount not to exceed \$110,000.

During the work session, the council discussed:

- A resolution authorizing the execution of an extension to the professional services agreement with Harbor Communications for voice and data telecommunication services.
- A resolution authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement with Burk-Klempeter for project engineering services.
- A resolution reappointing Julian Brackin as Municipal Court Judge for the City of Orange Beach. A resolution authorizing the purchase of LED lighting for Sportsplex Baseball Field number 2 through Sourcewell in the amount of \$145,900.
- Resolutions extending the entertainment districts at SanRoc Cay Marina and Perdido Resort and The Wharf.
- A resolution accepting ownership and maintenance responsibility of Surrey Lane and Webster Lane in the Shore Acres Subdivision on Canal Road west of the Presbyterian Church.
- A resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget for the City of Orange Beach.

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CELEBRITY READER AT OBES: Thanks to Mrs. Tracie Stark for being a Celebrity Reader for Ms. Brunick's first grade class at Orange Beach Elementary School. The students enjoyed listening to a Thanksgiving story and getting to know Mrs. Stark, who is a teacher and coach at Orange Beach Middle School. The students talked about how much they enjoy cheering for their new team, the Makos!

- **Open Jam:** 8, American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play:** 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.
- **Optimist Club of Perdido Bay:** breakfast every Saturday at 7 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 Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

SUN, NOV 24

• **Central Flora-Bama Church:** Church

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- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Gypsy Pearl:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Scott Koehn:** 4; Pleasure Island Tiki Bar, Orange Beach.

- **Greg Brown:** noon; The Tin Top Restaurant, Bon Seour.
- **Lisa Zanghi:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Lisa Christian:** noon, Tacky Jack's, Gulf Shores.
- **Jazzman David Jones:** 11 a.m.; Playa, Orange Beach.
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GULF SHORES BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS: The City of Gulf Shores' Beautification Board recently awarded its three Seasonal Beautification Awards. **Pictured: (Above)** Jimmie Van Valkenburgh was presented a Beautification Award for her beautiful yard, which displays various collections of plants and trees. Several areas in the front and back have smaller garden rooms featuring specimens collected over her years of gardening. Brad, Jimmie's son, and his wife, Nina, assist with the care of the gardens. Brad Van Valkenburgh, Jimmie Van Valkenburgh, and Nina Van Valkenburgh are pictured in the yard. **(Below)** Robert and Janet Murphree were the second of three recipients. The Murphree's yard displays many fall decorations with Halloween touches, including Jack O'Lanterns that were crafted from wooden pallets. Pictured are Robert Murphree, Janet Murphree, and Marlene Johnt. The third award was presented to Robert Lee, Michael Deal, Jackson Lee, Jordon Lee, and Saebel. Their home displays many fall colors and is accented with Halloween decorations.



Disco Fever is theme for Newcomers Club's Jan. 23 Toast To Coast

By Karen Brumbelow

South Baldwin Newcomers Club is hosting our annual Toast to the Coast event, Toast to Coast Disco Fever 2020, on Thursday, January 23 from 6-10 p.m. at Orange Beach Event Center at The Wharf. Music will be provided by DJ Jeremy Perkins.

Tickets are \$55 per person or \$500 for a table of ten, and include dinner from numerous local restaurants, dessert bar, wine, beer and soft drinks. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Susan West, at 205-222-0143 or susanawest@gmail.com. Tickets can also be purchased at McClure's NY Bagel and Sandwich Shop located at 4575 Orange Beach Blvd.

This is a major fundraiser for us and allows us the opportunity to help out local charities and provide scholarships to high school seniors. Last year we were able to contribute to 16 charities and award six scholarships to students from Gulf Shores, Foley, Elberta, and Coastal Alabama Community College. Orange Beach High School will be added to this year's list.

Supporters can help by reaching out to neighbors to join the club in this fun filled night of music, dancing and great food. We will have a silent auction with exciting items from local and national companies as well and two raffles. All proceeds from the event go back to the South Baldwin community.

99; Foley.

- **Karaoke:** 5; Monthly Birthday Potluck; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
- **John Joiner & Friends:** 4; Hub Stacey's at the Point; Innerarity Point.

MON, NOV 25

- **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.
- **Geeks who drink trivia Night at Big**

Beach: 7; Big Beach Brewing Company; Gulf Shores.

- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Brent Burns:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open**

Play: 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414



EASTERN SHORE ART CENTER AWARDED \$10K GRANT FROM WIND CREEK HOSPITALITY: ESAC's Outreach Program takes art to underserved populations in our community that might not otherwise have exposure to the arts. The \$10,000 donation from Wind Creek Hospitality will directly support arts education programming for children and adults suffering from chronic illnesses, physical or mental disabilities, and hearing or vision impairment. Veterans and senior citizens, the Rotary Youth Program and other community organizations also benefit from the outreach program's services. Appropriately titled "Art Without Limits," the program is indeed a labor of love for outreach program director, Nancy Raia, who literally takes art on the road. "The children are so creative and appreciative of all of our projects," said Raia. "Whether I am working with youth to learn about blue herons and their habitats through art projects, teaching teens about inventors as artists, or teaching about biodiversity through art, the creative process is the tie that binds it all together," said Raia. "We are just delighted to be partnering with Wind Creek with this program," she said. **Pictured:** (Above) Wind Creek representatives present ESAC Board and Staff with grant check; (Below) Field Trip to the United States Sports Academy; Fairhope Rotary Youth Club in-house Art lessons; Art lessons with Southwest Regional School for the Deaf and Blind.



EXPANDED CATHOLIC SERVICES BUILDING BLESSED: Archbishop Thomas J. Rodi blessed the renovated and expanded Catholic Social Services of Baldwin County at 23010 Highway 59 North in Robertsdale. The facility has been undergoing a major expansion project to better serve the needs of those in Baldwin County. Expansion project highlights include new workspace for Catholic Social Services' To Be Options for Women. To Be Options provides assistance and education for new and expecting mothers. CSS's successful Thrift Shop will also have a new sorting/donation processing area. The facility serves the entire Baldwin community. Annually, more than 2,300 people are assisted, often more than once a year. It is estimated more than 90 percent of those who are helped are not Catholic.

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28 Main Room 2:00 Brittany Grimes 6:00 Mark Sherrill & Friends 10:15 Mario Mena Duo Deck Stage 1:00 Albert Simpson 5:30 Dueling Pianos 10:00 Jo Jo Pres Tent Stage 12:00 Bat 1:00 Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner	29 Main Room 2:00 Darrel Roberts & John Joiner 6:00 Scott Koehn Project 10:15 Justin Jeansonne Duo Deck Stage 1:00 Zachary Diedrich 5:30 Mario Mena Band 10:00 Yeah, Probably Tent Stage 1:00-4:00 Bingo	30 Main Room 2:00 J Hawkins 6:00 Bat 10:15 TBA Deck Stage 1:00 Lauren Murphy & the Psychedelics 5:30 Roxy & Magic Johnson 10:00 Bruce Smelley Band	1 Main Room 1:30 Just a Little Rusty 6:00 Perdido Brothers 10:15 Bruce Smelley Top Deck 8:00 Mario Mena Tent Stage 9:00 & 11:00 Church Services	2 Main Room 4:00 Open Mic with Cathy Pace 8:00 Petty & Pace Top Deck 7:00 Bat Tent Stage 1:00-4:00 Bingo	3 Main Room 4:00 T-Bone Montgomery 8:00 Bat Deck Stage 4:00 Albert Simpson 7:00 Yeah, Probably Tent Stage 1:00-4:00 Bingo	4 Main Room 4:00 Neil Dover 8:00 Rhonda Hart Duo Top Deck 7:00 Albert Simpson Tent Stage 1:00-4:00 Bingo

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH DAUPHIN ISLAND SEA LAB: Volunteers are being solicited to help the Dauphin Island Sea Lab Marine Mammal Research Program respond to strandings and marine mammal distress calls. The group has responded to more than 40 stranded whales and dolphins and one manatee in the first half of this year. Most of those instances included the help volunteers.

Volunteer response can include securing carcasses, confirming strandings/species/size of the animal, assisting during live and deceased animal response, and assisting with outreach events to help raise awareness about marine mammals in Alabama. Training is required for all volunteers. For more info, email almsn@disl.org. If you see a sick, injured, or deceased marine mammal in Alabama, please call 1-877-WHALE-HELP. **Pictured:** Dauphin Island Sea Lab volunteers.



GSMS CHEERLEADERS TO PARTICIPATE IN PARADE: Natalie Daniel and Sophia Long (pictured) from Gulf Shores Middle School are among more than 500 elementary, junior high and high school cheerleaders and dancers from across the country that will represent Varsity Spirit in the 2019 Thanksgiving Tour at the Walt Disney World® Resort in Orlando, Florida. The individuals invited to perform in the parade are part of a select group of cheerleaders and dancers chosen as All-Americans during Varsity Spirit summer camps across the country. All-Americans are selected via tryout based on either superior cheerleading or dance skills at sanctioned camps.



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

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

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

• **Grief Share:** 6 p.m.; Community Hospice Center, Foley.

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

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

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

• **Square Dancing:** 6:30; Magnolia Springs Community Hall, Magnolia Springs.

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

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

• **Ladies AA:** 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC

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

TUE, NOV 26

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

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

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

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

• **Light Travelers:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.

• **Lisa Christian:** 6; Sunset Cork Room, Gulf Shores.

• **DJ Party w. Kelli:** 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf, Orange Beach.

• **Brandon Styles 1-Man Variety Show:** 7 p.m.; Downtown OWA; Foley; Comedy, Magic & Impressions.

• **Free Line Dance Lessons With Lori:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.

• **Trivia Night:** 6; 45 Restaurant & Bar at One Club, Gulf Shores.

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

• **Karaoke:** 7:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.

• **Karaoke:** 5; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.

• **Open Mic Karaoke:** 5; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.

• **JW Karaoke:** 6; Hub Stacy's At The



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- **Ricky Johnson & Company:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play:** 9-moon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.
- **GriefShare Support Group:** 6 p.m.; Point Church, 13801 Interarity Point Rd.; 601-278-6973.
- **Bowling Tourney:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.
- **NAPA Pool League:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
- **Bingo:** 10 to 2; Gulf Coast Elks Lodge 2782, Foley; 251-971-2782.
- **South Baldwin Republican Women:** Gift Horse Rest., 11:30 a.m.; 4th Tuesday of Every Month, public invited, Info: 251-978-6178.
- **Orange Beach City Council Meeting:** 5 p.m.; City Hall; 980-INFO.
- **Orange Beach Bridge Club:** Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors

- and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.
- **Orange Beach Library Children's Story Time:** 10 a.m.; preschool; 981-2923.
- **Southwest Branch Library Children's Story Time:** 10:30 a.m.; preschool; 12248 Gulf Beach Hwy, Pensacola; (850) 453-7780.
- **Gulf Shores Kiwanis Club:** Palmer Dining Room at Craft Farms; noon; new members and guests always welcome; 251-981-9999.
- **Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon:** 7:30 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola, 850-867-5873 or 901-734-1066.
- **Kiwanis Club of Foley:** Noon on Tuesdays at Ryan's in Foley; 251-968-6288.
- **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **Al-Anon:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Activities

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

WED, NOV 27

- **Flora-Bama Possible Probables:** 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Bingo:** free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.
- **Open Mic:** 5:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Open Mic:** 7; Tacky Jack's, Fort Morgan.
- **Adam Holt:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 7; 45 Restaurant & Bar at One Club, Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke:** 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Open Mic w. Dave Meadows:** 7; The Sand-



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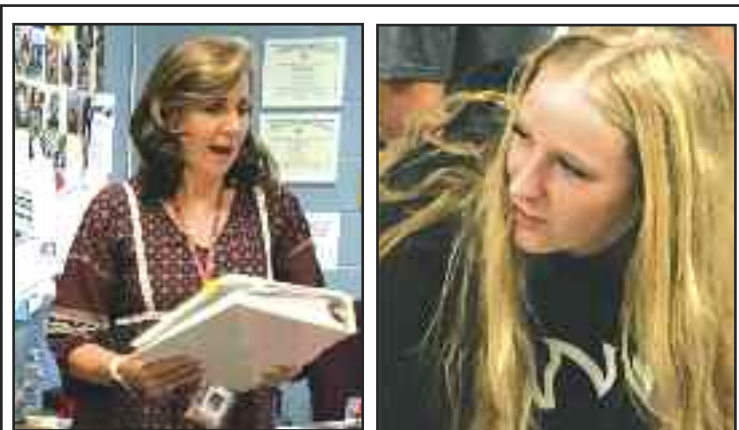
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MOVE IN DAY AT ELBERTA HIGH SCHOOL: Nov. 4 was move in day for the new wing at Elberta High School. Students, principal Brandon Bailey along with Elberta and Foley Fire Department and other community volunteers lent a hand to move the teachers into their new digs on October 29.



Sand Guy back this week building Christmas Castles

Chuck Chumley of Roswell, Georgia shares a picture of a Christmas castle he made on the beach at his usual spot in front of Sea-N-Suds in Gulf Shores. "I'm building castles again every day through Black Friday at the same spot," Chuck writes. "beside of sea-n-suds. Hopefully some people will stop by to enjoy.



shaker; The Wharf in Orange Beach.
 • **Bingo:** 10 a.m.; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
 • **John Joiner & Friends:** 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
 • **Danny Grady:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
 • **Bingo Night:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.
 • **West Coast Swing Dance:** 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
 • **Karaoke:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
 • **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
 • **Karaoke:** 9; The Office, Foley.
 • **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play:** 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.
 • **Big Beach Running Club:** 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; all levels welcome.
 • **Precept Bible Study:** 10 a.m.; Exit Realty, Hwy 59 in Gulf Shores; info: 205-980-0330.
 • **Magnolia Springs Garden Club:** 10; 4th Wed. Oct - May; Magnolia Springs Community Hall; guests & new members are

always welcome!
 • **Family Night Dinner & Activities:** 5:45 p.m.; Saint Andrew by the Sea, 17263 Fort Morgan Rd., Gulf Shores; 678-361-2762.
 • **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
 • **Veteran's Bingo:** 10 a.m. -2 p.m.; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
 • **Grief Support Group:** 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola; 850-492-2135
 • **Food Bank:** 9-11 a.m every Wednesday, Perdido Bay Baptist Church, 12600 Sorrento Rd. Pensacola; call for eligibility requirements at (850) 492-2604.
 • **Bread Ministry:** 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Orange Beach United Methodist Church Brook's Center.
 • **Food Ministry For Hungry Families:** noon-1 p.m.; Grace Lutheran Church, corner of West 23rd Ave. and West 4th St. in Gulf Shores; 251-968-5991.
 • **Perdido Key Rotary Club:** 7:30 a.m.; every Wednesday at United Methodist

Rev. Wayne McMillian speaking at Bayside Baptist Dec. 15

Rev. Wayne McMillian will speak at Bayside Baptist Church on Sunday, December 15 at the 10:30 a.m. service. A graduate of the University of Mobile and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, McMillan was a church planter with the International Mission Board for 10 years serving in Africa. Also served one term with the North American Mission Board in The Dakota Baptist Convention as a church planter. Brother Wayne has also been pastor of several churches in the area including: FBC Satsuma, FBC Foley, FBC Monroeville, Mexia Baptist in Monroeville and Bower Memorial in Evergreen.

"It is enough to just say that I am a country preacher who has been blessed by God," Rev. McMillian said. The church is located at 33677 US Highway 98 in Lillian. For more info, call Pastor Tom Harris at 251-256-0226.

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Dave Roever to speak at The Island Church on Nov. 24

Voices of Mobile will be on Pleasure Isle for three Dec. 1 shows

The congregation at Christian Life the Island Church invites the entire Alabama Gulf Coast community to hear special guest Dave Roever on Sunday, November 24 during all three of its Sunday services (8:15 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.). The church is located at 25550 Canal Rd. in Orange Beach (251-967-4840) and there is no charge to attend either service.



In addition, the church will present the Voices of Mobile in concert at all three of its services on Sunday, Dec. 1. The highly versatile, auditioned vocal ensemble consisting of 18 students from The University of Mobile.

VOICES (above) maintains a highly visible and consistent performing schedule in churches, schools, conferences, and civic events throughout the United States and abroad. They have performed at the Southern Baptist Convention Pastor's Conference, the White House, Carnegie Hall and the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. A great emphasis is placed on a desire to honor the Lord in word and deed as stated in the mission statement of the group: "Honor Him with our Lives and Praise Him with our voices."

Dave (above left) is a hero of the faith, called to ministry as a teen, and a decorated Vietnam veteran of solid character. At the height of the Vietnam War, he joined the U. S. Navy and served as a river boat gunner in the elite Brown Water Black Beret — until tragedy occurred.

His survival and ensuing life with his faithful wife at his side are miraculous. A superb multi-generational speaker, Roever travels the globe, sharing his gripping testimony with engaging humor, imparting hope in the face of seemingly insurmountable obstacles, and delivering the Word of God with convincing power. God uses Dave's ministry with the U. S. military world-wide, including war zones such as Kosovo, Iraq, and Afghanistan. Dave and his team help to restore hope, provide keys for success, and train today's wounded warriors to have meaningful futures.

Dr. Who Day Nov. 23 at Foley Public Library

The Foley Public Library will sponsor a Doctor Who Day on Nov. 23 from 9 a.m. -noon. Attendees are encouraged to dress in costume — either their favorite doctor or their favorite villain — and join the library for a morning of fun! Prizes will be given to all those who show up in costume (while supplies last) and free bookmarks, stickers, coloring pages, and puzzles pages will be handed out. The library will also have photo opportunities with the TARDIS, the 10th & 11th Doctors, and K-9. Have your photo taken by library staff to be placed on the library's Facebook page and/or website.

A new twist this year is the "Who Am I?" spinning wheel. Come in and spin to see if you can name the villain. All correct answers will win a small edible prize. More info, visit foleylibrary.org or call 251-943-

Church Activity Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola.

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

• **Gulf Shores Lions Club:** noon; 2nd & 4th Wednesday; noon; Gulf Shores Adult Activity Center, 300 E. 16th Avenue; 251-968-2823.

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

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

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

• **Tim Roberts:** 6; Tin Top Restaurant; Bon Secour.

• **Karaoke/DJ Party w. Kelly:** 8; The Sandshaker; The Wharf in Orange Beach.

• **Karaoke:** 7:30; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Ft. Morgan.

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

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

• **Trivia Factory:** 7; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.

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

• **Karaoke:** 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.

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

• **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play:** 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.

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

• **Rotary Club of Gulf Shores/Orange Beach:** noon; Gulf Shores Golf Club; visit

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• **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.

• **251 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, NOV 29

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

• **Flora-Bama Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; Flora-Bama Lounge Tent Stage; Perdido Key.

• **Wes Loper:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.

• **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open**

Play: 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.

• **Gear Head:** 7; The Office, Foley.

• **Love The Hate Band:** 9; Doc Holliday's; Foley.

• **Rib Eye Dinner to help Veterans and Families:** 5 p.m.; music & dancing at 7 p.m.; American Legion Post 44; Gulf Shores.

• **Uncle Mike & Dave:** 7; Tacky Jack's, Fort Morgan.

• **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.

• **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@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, NOV 30

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

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

• **Kaiser Realty by Wyndham Vacation Rentals Coastal Half Marathon and 5K Run:** Orange Beach Sportsplex; 4385 William Silvers Pkwy

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

• **Warp Speed Zulu:** 9; The Office, Foley.

• **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play:** 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.

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Gulf Shores City Council

Plans call for 3,175 residential units on northshore of Intracoastal 27,000 sq. ft. of retail, 318 boat slips, 100 acres of green space included

By John Mullen

A project that has had Army Corps of Engineer approval since 2006 on the Intracoastal Waterway in Gulf Shores is finally moving forward.

Coastal Resort Properties is seeking approval from the city for a planned unit development on 218 acres on the north shore of the ICW near the Claude Petet Mariculture Center and the Gulf Shores airport. A new Alabama Department of Transportation road and bridge project would cut through the eastern edge of the new development.

Plans call for 3,175 residential units, 27,000 square feet of retail and commercial space, 100 acres of green space with parks, lakes and boardwalks and three marinas. The marinas will have a combined 318 boat slips and space for 490 boats in dry storage.

"This is a critically important project," Mayor Pro Tem Philip Harris said. "That whole north side of that intracoastal was zoned industrial for years. We've seen the threat to our economy with Hurricane Ivan and Katrina we really took a hard look at the north corridor over there and that is where this ICW zoning came from. An opportunity to incentivize the change and hopefully build a second frontier that would include some vacation destinations and a second source of revenue."

This project along with 14 others on the waterway received environment impact statement approvals from Corps way back when but each project stalled in the economic downturn of 2007-09. City officials hope this project will be the first of several to keep drawing in tourists even if there is hurricane and storm damage in the future.

"This rezoning was done in order to rezone from industrial property to promote shopping and residential in this area," Director of Planning and Development Director Lee Jones said. "We've really seen it as kind of a second opportunity for waterfront activity secondary to the beachfront."

With Corps permit still in hand that's a major hurdle already cleared for the nascent development.

"The (environmental impact statement) permit is still in place," Attorney Richard Davis, representing Coastal Resort Properties said. "It has a life of a couple of years yet. We've applied for a five-year extension. The consideration of that extension has not come through yet."

The city and Coastal Resort Properties ownership have been working on details for this property for years and it will contain a right of way for a roadway the city sees as key to the development of the area.

"These folks have been involved on this north side of the canal and ownership of this property for a long time," Harris said. "We've been working with them for the last couple of years on the location of the city's portion of the spur road. It will come through this property and we needed the right of way to connect to our Business and Aviation Park and back out to highway 59. We appreciated the relationship."

In hoping to foster growth along the canal the city rezoned much of the property in the area from industrial to a special overlay district called the Intracoastal Waterway North district. The rules for that zoning area would allow for eight-story buildings and about 42 residential units per acre. Coastal's PUD request is asking for six-story buildings and will only have 21 units per acre.

"It's not often you get a request to downzone property," Harris said. "This is a big deal in right of way and strategic roadway placement and also for the zoning for the future of that 218 acres. It gives really an opportunity to manage that growth and align that growth with

the city's vision."

During the regular session, the council also:

• Accepted an amendment to the funding agreement between the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and the City of Gulf Shores to include an additional \$1.4 million for the implementation of habitat restoration work as part of the Bon Secour/Oyster Bay Wetland Project.

• Accepted a bid from Traffic Solutions of Herndon, Virginia, for \$23,000 for a radar trailer. The city only received one bid and had budgeted \$25,000 for the trailer.

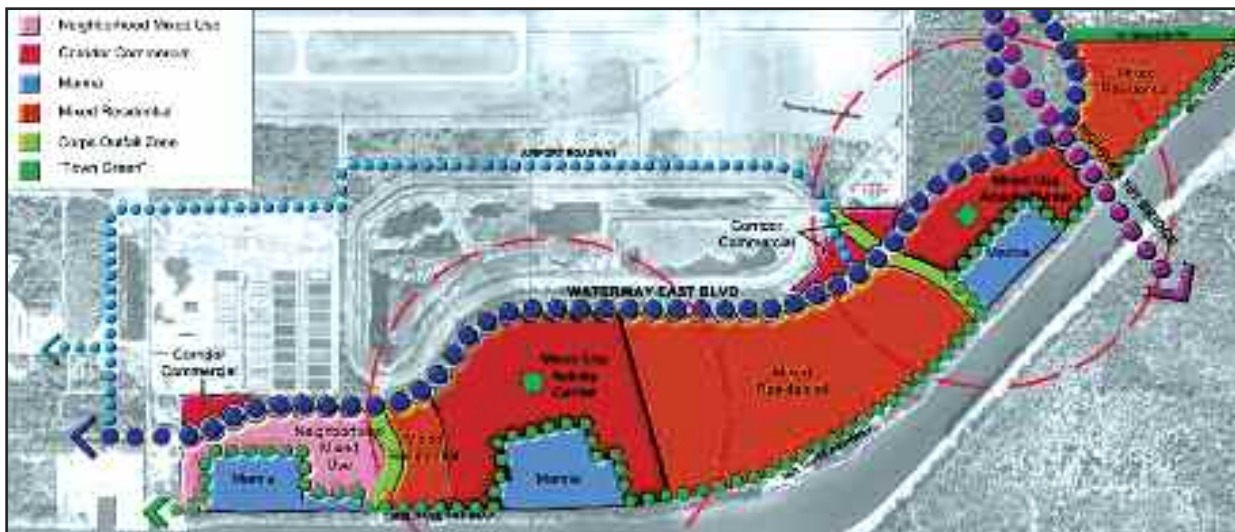
• Voted to allow a change in the Aberdeen Villas planned unit development to add 13 single-family houses on a 4.7-acre parcel off of Cotton Creek Drive.

• Voted to annex in a lot at 19040 Pine Acres Road north of County Road 8 and west of State Route 59. Lois Gale Walker seeks annexation of her 30,610 square foot property that contains a single home. The purpose of the annexation was to be in the Gulf Shores City School district.

• OK'd an assembly permit for Big Beach Marathon for Jan. 25. Most of the course is on the Backcountry Trail but it starts and finishes at The Wharf.

• Approved a change in the ordinance regarding sleeping in vehicles. The amendment is intended to bring the ordinance in line with court decisions that were rendered after the original ordinance's adoption and better describe the activities regulated under this section, a city memo stated.

• Approved Gulf Shores Utilities request to sell off some surplus property, specifically a 2016 Ford F-150 pickup that was totaled in a wreck.



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WHAT'S HAPPENING



Prescribed burn planned this month at Gulf State Park

A prescribed burn is planned at Gulf State Park will take place in the Eagle Loop section of the park near Lake Shelby sometime before the end of the month, weather permitting. The prescribed burn is part of a forest management plan associated with longleaf pine restoration, fuel reduction and invasive species control. The planned burn. Alabama Highway 135 (State Park Road) is already closed due to construction and will remain closed through the end of the year.

Prescribed fire is an effective way to reduce wildfire risk, reduce fuel loads, enhance wildlife habitat and maintain a healthy forest ecosystem. This is especially important in the south Alabama coastal region due to vegetation type and a longer growing season. More info: outdooralabama.com.

Dolphin Athletic Club Drawdown 2020 is Feb. 1 at Hangout Food, fun, music, \$7,500 grand prize on tap at annual fundraiser

Food, fun, music and money are on tap at the Dolphin Athletic Club's \$7,500 grand prize drawdown on 2020 Drawdown on February 1 at the Hangout at Gulf Shores Public Beach. Tickets are already on sale at mygshsdac.com. The Velcro Pygmies will be the musical entertainment, and a silent auction will offer fabulous packages and deals from local vendors.

Tickets are \$100 for two people, and include a buffet-style dinner, cold beer, wine, and the Velcro Pygmies show. Each couple will have one entry for the drawdown and a chance to win the \$7,500 grand prize. A limited number of VIP table sponsorships are available.

DAC President Mike Carey said the club is hoping to sell 500 tickets to its 21st annual drawdown, the club's biggest fundraiser of the year. Donors can designate which sport their ticket purchase will benefit.

"Dolphin Nation is the DAC battle cry as we support young men and women competing in 26 teams at the high school and



BIG LAGOON KIWANIS CELEBRATE VETERANS' DAY: Members of the Big Lagoon Kiwanis Club celebrated Veterans' Day by speaking at Blue Angel Elementary School, riding in the Downtown Pensacola Veterans' Day Parade and promoting next month's Wreaths Across America Day at Veterans' Memorial Park. "We are thankful for the sacrifices our veterans and their families have made for our freedom," said club president Craig McDonnell. For more info about the club or how to donate to Wreaths Across America, visit BarrancasWreaths.com, email barrancaswreaths@gmail.com, or call call (850) 207-1217. **Pictured:** Avant Garde Float Commander John Sevoid USMC (ret) efficiently directed the action; President Elect Hugh Hillenbrand expertly drove the tow vehicle; And 2018-19 president, Col Dayre Lias USAF (ret) ,managed to squeeze into his flightsuit.



FWC ROLL TIDE CONNECTION: Dr. Gaylon McCullough, from the McCullough Institute and Plastic Surgery Clinic, gave an interesting presentation to the Foley Woman's Club membership at its November meeting. The renowned Dr. McCullough's topic was "How Improving Your Appearance Can Lift Your Spirits and Improve Your Overall Health." Dr. McCullough was introduced to the group by member Sylvia Womack, who shared with the group that Dr. McCullough was also famous for being on the same winning Alabama football team as her cousin, Lee Roy Jordan. **Pictured:** President Kelly Barrett, Sylvia Womack and Dr. McCullough.

Magic Show: 8; OWA Showroom, Foley.
Lucky Doggs: 7; Hub Stacy's At The Point, Innerarity Point.
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, DEC 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.
Christmas Celebration at the Baldwin County Heritage Museum: 25521 Hwy. 98; Elberta, (251) 986-8375.
Skins Game: 1 p.m.; Orange Beach Golf Center; public is welcome; lots of prizes.
Lisa Christian: noon; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
Danny Grady: 2 p.m.; Fraternal Order of Eagles #4549, Gulf Shores.
Open Mic/Jam: 2 p.m.; Hosted by The Defrosters, The Flying Harpoon 2, Orange Beach

Learn 100 things to do in AL on Dec. 5 at Foley Library

Mary Johns Wilson, will honor Alabama's Bicentennial with a presentation at the Foley Public Library on Thurs, Dec 5, 2019 @ 2 pm. The library is located at 319 E. Laurel Ave. eating is limited so please call 251-943-7665 to reserve a spot. Reservations are now being taken.

By criss-crossing Alabama's majestic mountains, beautiful beaches, and everything in between, Mary has crafted the most interesting itinerary for both visitors and Alabamans alike. In her book, 100 Things to Do in Alabama Before You Die, Mary shares a few of her favorite things highlighted will include indulging your sweet tooth with biscuits and chocolate gravy from Staggs Grocery, skiing...yes, really, skiing at Cloudmont Ski Resort, and hearing the organ that saved the Alabama Theatre.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

City of Orange Beach road construction update

The City of Orange Beach posted an update on ongoing road and sidewalk projects on Nov. 15.

• **Canal Road Eastbound Lane:** The Canal Road eastbound lane road construction, between the light at Williams Silvers Parkway and Hwy. 161/Orange Beach Boulevard, is underway. This project is adding a much-needed second eastbound lane extension and will eliminate the need to merge at the traffic signal at Williams Silvers Parkway. The ADOT project is expected to be complete by December 2020. The Hwy. 161 and Canal Road intersection is now open with two left turns off 161 and the westbound lane closure is now in effect from Cosmo's Restaurant to Gulf Bay Road.

• **Wolf Bay Bridge:** The project continues to go through the permitting process with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Coast Guard, as negotiations continue with the main landowner north of the proposed bridge.

• **East Canal Road:** Canal Road, east of Hwy. 161/ will undergo widening from 161 to Wilson Boulevard. A traffic circle will also be added just east of the Senior Activity Center. This will remedy the chronic problem of vehicles doing U-turns to get to businesses on the north side of Canal Rd. The project is awaiting funding and is set to begin in the spring with completion prior to summer of 2021.

• **Lauder Lane at Canal Road:** Construction of a Lauder Lane turn lane onto eastbound Canal Road is expected to begin this winter. The City is awaiting approval for wetland impacts. The City continues to work with ALDOT on acquiring a warrant for a traffic signal at this intersection.

• **Potential Multimodal Path:** The City will be conducting a feasibility study to determine whether golf cart paths can be constructed on East Canal Road, State Hwy. 161 and Marina Road. (See John Mullen's Page 26 story).

• **Road Resurfacing:** Over the next month and a half, 20 city streets will be repaved and numerous sections of paved paths on the Backcountry Trail will be repaired, and several locations at the Orange Beach Wastewater Treatment Plant. The paving is scheduled to be finished by the end of the year.



Houma resident wins Operation Re-Connect Deployer raffle

John Hebert from Houma, Louisiana and returning combat veterans were the big winners during the Veteran's Day culmination of a year long fundraiser sponsored by The Flora-Bama and the Orange Beach based Operation Re-Connect. Hebert won the raffle for the fully customized 2018 Jeep Rubicon - The Deployer - on Veteran's Day. Operation Re-Connect is a local charity started by Ryan Charrier whose mission is to provide beach-front accommodations for a week free of charge to returning Armed Services members and their families. The charity serves every military branch and rank including active, guard and reservists.

Pictured: (Above) Ellie Guthrie, Molly Charrier, Ryan Charrier, Cheri Waters and Chelly Marlow; (Below) The Flora-Bama Operation Re-Connect team.



- **Roger & Elaine:** 5; American Legion Post 44, 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, DEC 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.
- **Listening Room Christmas concert - Four A Change:** 6; Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach.
- **Lisa Zanghi:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; 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.

- **Geeks Who Drink Trivia:** 7; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.
- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play:** 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.
- **Bingo** 6 p.m.; 45 Restaurant & Bar at One Club, 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:** 6:30-8:30 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.
- **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.



ROBERTSDALE MASONS SPONSOR CHILD ID PROGRAM: Several Masons from Mobile and Baldwin County Masonic lodges teamed up with members of Sonora Masonic Lodge No. 635 in Summerdale recently to sponsor a Child Identification Program (CHIP) Event at the Summerdale School's annual Fall Festival. Lodge members also donated hot dogs for the school's PTA to sell to raise funds for school projects. For more information on the program visit alchip.org. **Pictured:** Mobile and Baldwin County Masons gather during the CHIP ID event at Summerdale School.



ORANGE BEACH ANNOUNCES POLICE & FIREFIGHTER OF YEAR: Congratulations to the 2019 City of Orange Beach Fire Department Firefighter of the Year Tyler Newkirk pictured with Deputy Chief Jeff Smith and Fire Chief Mike Kimmerling. (Right) The 2019 Orange Beach Police Department Officer of the Year Michael McBrayer and the 2019 OBPD Employee of the Year Karen Keith. From left are Chief Joe Fierro, Keith, McBrayer and Assistant Chief Steve Brown.

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Why do leaves change color?

While we love to watch the leaves change color, do we know why this process takes place? Mallory Kelley, an Alabama Extension home grounds, gardens and home pests regional agent, said that the color of leaves depends on the pigment in the leaf along with the environmental conditions it is exposed to.

During the fall, less sunlight and cooler temperatures gradually cut off water and nutrients to the leaves as they begin to go dormant. At this point, leaves stop manufacturing chlorophyll and begin to break down. This process begins the color changes.

"The pigment chlorophyll produces the green color of leaves, which helps leaves make food," Kelley said. "During the fall, leaves stop producing chlorophyll and as the green starts to fade the yellow, orange and red pigments begin to show through."

Fall leaves - Red, Orange or Yellow?

Kelley said the type of tree is one of the factors that determine the fall leaf color.

"Hickory and ginkgo trees, for example, will always be yellow to brown and are not capable of producing oranges and reds due to their genetic makeup," she said.

Each year there is almost always a guarantee to see the yellow colored leaves as chlorophyll starts to disappear. However, if drought conditions are present, they will affect the leaves' show. Severe drought will cause most all the leaves to turn brown and fall off early. This is the case for many areas across Alabama this year.

The oranges and reds in the fall foliage are dependent on several factors.

Color is a byproduct of chemicals that sugar formation in the leaf produces. Good growing conditions, along with warm sunny days and cool night temperatures, help produce more sugars. This results in richer leaf colors in plants like maples, Bradford pears, Chinese pistache and the Chinese tallow tree, better known as the popcorn tree.

"Two chemicals are primarily responsible for the oranges and reds in the foliage," Kelley said. "Those are the carotenoids, which cause the yellow-orange color in trees, and the pigment anthocyanin, which produces the red to purple in the leaves."

Often, you will see the most red color on the side of the tree that gets the afternoon, setting sun. The bright sunshine and warm temperature dropping into cool night temperature really makes the colors pop in the leaves.

For more info, visit aces.edu. **Pictured:** Little River Canyon.



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

TUE, DEC 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.
- **City of Orange Beach Christmas Tree Lighting:** The Wharf in Orange Beach.
- **John Brust:** 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- **Lisa Christian:** 6; Sunset Cork Room, Gulf Shores.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Ancient Aviators Breakfast:** 8:30 a.m.; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- **Bingo:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke:** 7:30; Tacky Jacks, 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.
- **Trivia Night:** 6; 45 Restaurant & Bar at

Seven short & sweet fall hikes In Alabama with a spectacular end view

Alabama is filled with many scenic hiking trails, several of which are shorter than others. Most hikers agree that the best part of any trail adventure is reaching the end. After all, it's such a rewarding feeling when reaching a beautiful waterfall or experiencing a breathtaking view. Listed below are seven hiking trails in Alabama that offer a spectacular end view. Check them out!

1. Smith Mountain Fire Tower Trail

The Smith Mountain Fire Tower Trail is a 0.7 mile loop trail that's located near Dadeville. It'll take you to Smith Mountain Fire Tower, which offers an incredible view of Lake Martin. This short and easy trail is perfect for the entire family.

2. Parker Falls Trail

Parker Falls Trail is a 1.7 mile out and back trail that's located within the Sipsey Wilderness area of North Alabama's William B. Bankhead National Forest. This scenic trail will take you to

Parker Falls, and it's best suited for older children and adults.

3. Pulpit Rock Trail

The Pulpit Rock Trail is a 0.6 mile out and back trail that's located in Cheaha State Park near Heflin. It offers one of the state's most breathtaking views.

4. Green Trail

The Green Trail, which is best known as the Peavine Falls Trail, is a 1.6 mile loop trail that's located in Oak Mountain State Park in Pelham. This trail will take you to Peavine Falls, which is approximately 65 feet tall and spring fed.

5. Caney Creek Falls Trail

The Caney Creek Falls Trail is a 1.7 mile out and back trail that's located within the William B. Bankhead National Forest near Double Springs. It's an easy hike that's perfect for the entire family, and it'll take you to one of the state's most beautiful waterfalls - Caney Creek Falls.

6. Bald Rock Boardwalk Trail

Much like the Pulpit Rock Trail, the Doug Ghee Accessible Trail, which is best known as the Bald Rock Boardwalk, is located in Cheaha State Park near Heflin. It's an easy 0.6 mile out and back trail that offers a spectacular end view where you can see for miles and miles.

7. Kinlock Falls Trail

Also located within North Alabama's William B. Bankhead National Forest is the Kinlock Falls Trail. With a length of only 0.3 miles, this scenic trail is great for all skill levels. It'll take you to Kinlock Falls, which has a 15-foot drop and a span of more than 20 feet. If you follow the trail further downstream, you'll experience another beautiful waterfall.

Pictured: (right) Caney Creek Falls Trail; (below - left to right) 1. Little River Canyon National Preserve/Martha's Falls Trail; 3. Pulpit Rock Trail; Smith Mountain Fire Tower Trail; Parker Falls Trail.



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WHAT'S HAPPENING



Kelly West & Greg Huff Art Show Dec. 6 at Big Beach Brewery

Local artists Kelly West and Greg Hoff (**above**) will present new art inspired by a recent trip to Costa Rico at Big Beach Brewery on Dec. 6 from 5-10 p.m. As is often the case with Kelly, she will present a show of mixed media, including photography and animal art. Greg's medium is flameworking, which borrows many of the same techniques used in the Coastal Art Center Art Shop, where he is an instructor. The craft allows for a high level of detail, perfect for glass bead making and sculptural work.

The artists' work will be spread around Gulf Coast galleries following the show. Although she is also a gifted musician, Kelly will be talking art, not playing bass or drums during the show. But she did not have to go far to recruit musical entertainment. Her dad, Gary West and friend John Martin will recruit other musician friends to handle the tunes.

will work with sunset behind him

The two artists will also be part of an art show and Christmas party at David's Gallery in Gulf Shores from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 13. "We will take over the upstairs and display art for that night only," Kelly said.

One Club, Gulf Shores.

• **Karaoke:** 5; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.

• **Ricky Johnson:** 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.

• **Brandon Styles 1-Man Variety Show:** 7; OWA, Foley.

• **Free Line Dance Lessons With Lori:** 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.

• **Bowling Tourney:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.

• **Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play:** 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.

• **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.

• **Southwest Branch Library Children's Story Time:** 10:30 a.m.; preschool; 12248 Gulf Beach Hwy, Pensacola; (850) 453-7780.

• **Gulf Shores Kiwanis Club:** Palmer Dining Room at Craft Farms; noon; new members and guests always welcome; 251-981-9999.

• **Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon:** 7:30 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola, 850-867-5873 or 901-734-1066.

• **Kiwanis Club of Foley:** Noon on Tuesdays at Ryan's in Foley; 251-968-6288.

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

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

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

ONGOING EVENTS

• **Free Boating Safety Inspections:** US Coast Guard Auxiliary FL32 offers free boating safety inspections (Vessel Exams) for all types of recreational boats. These exams are in accordance with Federal and State laws. You can call Wayne Kindred at 251-284-3823 for an appoint-



BATTLE AT THE BEACH PICKLEBALL: The Bama Beach Pickleball Club hosted the annual Battle at the Beach Tourney Nov. 15-17. Close to 200 players competed for Gold, Silver and Bronze in several age and skill brackets. Players and observers came from all over the gulf coast region and enjoyed outstanding play and beautiful weather. Profits from this tournament will be used to fund the growth of pickleball in local schools.

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THURSDAY.....	Seared Tuna w/mashed potatoes and green beans or Eggplant Marinara w/a drink
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By CAROLYN GODFREY

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1/2 c. melted butter

1 egg

Combine remaining cake mix, melted butter and egg. Press into bottom of pan

Filling:

3 cups (1 lb. 14 oz.) Libby's pumpkin pie mix

2 eggs

2/3 c. milk

Combine and mix til smooth. Pour over crust

Topping:

1 c. cake mix

1/4 c. sugar

1 tsp. cinnamon

1/4 c. butter

Mix. Cut in until all crumbly. Put on top. Bake 350 degrees about 45-50 min. Cut into squares. Enjoy!

Note: Be sure to use pumpkin pie filling - not plain pumpkin.



Local author Marie Scott book signing Dec. 14 at Tanger Outlet

Local Author Marie Scott will be having a book signing on Saturday, December 14 at the Book Warehouse located at the Tanger Outlet, unit #176. Scott (**pictured**) will be signing debut romance novel, "It Comes In Threes" from noon 'til 4 p.m.

"It Comes In Threes" is set in the mountains during the winter, making it a perfect Christmas gift and a great feel good book for the season.

The main character, Elizabeth Fields is pregnant, heartbroken and betrayed. She leaves the city and drives straight into the heart of a snowstorm in the mountains of her childhood. Stranded and alone, she seeks shelter in a small country store and the home of its owner, Jake Browning. When the roads clear, Elizabeth finds herself in Frosty Grove, a ski resort vacation town she remembers fondly from her childhood.

Frosty Grove has changed, though, and Elizabeth soon realizes how the town is changing her. Its atmosphere and residents, particularly Jake, come to mean much more than she could ever have imagined. For more information visit ItComesInThrees.com.

ment.

• **Gulf Coast Arts Alliance Gallery:** 225 East 24th Ave. in the Waterway Village neighborhood of Gulf Shores; 30 local and regional artists have their works on display; 251-948-2627 or gulfcoastartsalliance.com.

• **The Susan N. McCollough Gallery/Studio:** 350 Cypress Bend Blvd. (at the McCollough Institute in Gulf Shores); 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday; admission free; weekends with appointments; 251-967-7677.

• **Swift-Coles Historic Home:** Located at 17424 Swift Coles Lane in Bon Secour; open for tours Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. last tour at 3 p.m. Adults-\$10; Children 6-12-\$5; Under 6 Free; Sandy Forsman, 251-949-5550.

• **Orange Beach Indian & Sea Museum:** Discover local history including Indian

culture and the importance of fishing to the area. Free admission.

• **Baldwin County Heritage Museum:** 25521 Highway 98, Elberta, 10am-3pm, Wednesday-Saturday; free; exhibits that highlight the heritage of the area; 251-986-8375.

• **City of Foley Museum Archives and Model Train Exhibit:** All aboard for fun! Model trains are operated on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10am to 2pm. Free admission.

• **Mobile Bay Ferry:** (Seasonal) This auto/passenger ferry connects Fort Morgan to Dauphin Island. Call 251-540-7787 for rates and schedule.

• **Fort Morgan:** History echoes off brick walls at this pre-Civil War fort. Designed to control the shipping channel into Mobile Bay, today the mission is to share lessons from the past. Adults-\$7; Child-

\$4; 65 and older-\$5.

• **Gulf State Park Pier:** See what's biting with a visit to the longest pier on the Gulf of Mexico. Sight-seeing passes are available for those who don't want to drop a hook. Children under 12 admitted free with paying adult.

• **Hugh S. Branyon Backcountry Trails at Gulf State Park:** Hike or cycle into the wilderness of the Alabama Gulf Coast with trails that guide you along marshes, secondary sand dunes, swamps and creeks. Free.

• **Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo:** downtown Gulf Shores, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. daily, 251-968-5731.

• **Baldwin Museum of Art:** 111 W. Laurel Ave. (Hwy.98) in Foley. Hours: 10am - 4pm. Monday through Friday (251) 970-1818. Admission is free.

• **The Hot Shop & The Clay Studio:**



Wreaths Across America Ceremony Dec. 14 at Barrancas Big Lagoon Kiwanians accepting sponsorships through Dec. 1

The Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon is again spearheading the local effort to participate in the Wreaths Across America program to remember and honor our fallen veterans. The club is taking orders for wreaths specifically for Barrancas National Cemetery at NAS Pensacola through Dec. 1.

This year's Wreaths Across America ceremony and placement of wreaths at Barrancas will be on December 14 beginning at 9 a.m. Wreath sponsorships start at \$15 and payment can be made online with credit card or by check using the downloadable mail-in order form. You may pick up the wreaths or the Kiwanians and their helpers will place it for you. For more information, email barrancaswreaths@gmail.com, visit barrancaswreaths.com or call 850-207-1217.

"Veterans day is just around the corner. Take this opportunity to demonstrate your organizations gratitude for the sacrifices made by veterans," said Martin Haygood, a volunteer coordinator with the Kiwanis Club. "We ask that people please give generously and encourage others to give. Last year we only had about 12,000 wreaths for the 40,000 plus gravesites."

The Big Lagoon Kiwanis, with help from the Bailey Middle School Builder's Club and the K-

Kids Club, along with several other local area non-profits, will place the wreaths at veterans' head stones to honor veterans and provide an excellent opportunity to teach younger generations about the value of their freedoms and the importance of honoring those who sacrificed so much to protect those freedoms.

As Haygood noted, 12,000 wreaths placed at Barrancas is inspiring, but it still leaves many grave sites unadorned.

In 1992, 5,000 wreaths were donated by Morrill Worcester and Worcester WreathCo. Years later, in 2005, an iconic photo of these wreaths in snow (**pictured**) became a viral sensation. Finally, in 2007, Wreaths Across America is formed as a nonprofit governed by a Board of Directors. Their day-to-day operations are overseen by Executive Director Karen Worcester.

WAA's mission is carried out by coordinating ceremonies at Arlington, as well as veterans' cemeteries in all 50 states. The organization has since expanded to include over 1,000 local charity groups that represent more than 800 cemeteries, military memorials, and other locations. In 2008, and each year since, Congress has issued a proclamation officially recognizing "Wreaths Across America Day" each December.



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The Annual Alabama Sustainable Agriculture Network Food and Farm Forum will be held at Camp Beckwith in Elberta Dec. 5-7. Part conference, part retreat, part celebration, the event features 30 peer-to-peer sessions on topics for sustainable farmers, homesteaders, DIYers, com-

munity-builders, and local food lovers of all stripes. Registration includes six locally sourced family-style meals served at the camp's beautiful campus on Weeks Bay.

For more info, visit asanonline.org or call 251-504-1173.

Classes, & workshops. Info: 251-981-ARTS.

• **Performing Arts Association:** exhibits by local artists; free; 119 West Laurel Ave. in Foley; 251-943-4381.

• **Gulf Shores Museum:** Special Exhibit-From Sea to Shining Sea: 200 Years of Charting America's Coast. Museum also features a backyard "Grandma's Garden," shrimping and hurricane picture exhibits and gift shop; 244 West 19th Ave., Gulf Shores; 251.968.1473

• **Big Lagoon State Park:** 'til dusk; 12301

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Funny Bones

By George Ridder



The zoo keeper found a new employee standing uneasy next to the lion's cage.

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Employee: "He was wagging his tail and roaring at the same

time."

Zoo keeper: "So, what's that got to do with it?"

Employee: "Well, I don't know which end to trust."

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A woman was shopping for something to wear to her 50th high school reunion when a group of teenage girls came into the same shop.

"Gross," complained one girl, "this dress makes me look 40 years old!"

"May I have it?" said the lady. "That's what I'm looking for!"

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Teacher: "Why are you late this morning?"

Student: "It's my alarm clock. Everyone got up except me!"

Teacher: How did the alarm clock make you the only one not to get up?"

Student: "There are eight of us in the my family and the alarm clock was set for seven."

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It's a 5 minute walk from my house to the pub.

It's a 35 minute walk from the pub to my house.

The difference is staggering.

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A lawyer and an engineer are

about to be guillotined. The priest puts his head on the block, they pull the rope and nothing happens. He declares that he's been saved by divine intervention, so he's let go.

The lawyer is put on the block, and again the rope doesn't release. He claims he can't be executed twice for the same crime and he is set free too.

They grab the engineer and shove his head into the guillotine. He looks up at the release mechanism and says, "Wait a minute, I see your problem."

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An actor had been out of work for years because he always forgot his lines. One day he got a phone call from a director who wanted him for an important part in a play. All the actor had to say was, "Hark! I hear the cannon roar!"

Opening night arrived, and while he waited in the wings, the actor muttered to himself, "Hark! I hear the cannon roar!"

As the actor made his appearance onstage, he heard a loud Booom! He turned around and said, "What the heck was that?"

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A wife asks her husband,

"Could you please go shopping for me and buy one carton of milk and if they have avocados, get 6.

A short time later the husband comes back with 6 cartons of milk. The wife asks him, "Why did you buy 6 cartons of milk?"

He replied, "They had avocados."

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"There is trouble with the car. It has water in the carburetor."

"Water in the carburetor? That's ridiculous."

"I tell you the car has water in the carburetor."

"You don't even know what a carburetor is. I'll check it out. Where's the car?"

"In the pool".

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25 percent of the women in this country are on medication for mental illness. That's scary. It means 75% are running around untreated.

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A wife called up her mom and said, "He fought with me again, I am coming to live with you."

Mom said, "No darling, he must pay for his mistake. I am coming to live with you."

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From Genesis: "And God promised men that good and obedient wives would be found in all corners of the earth."

Then he made the earth round and He laughed and laughed and laughed!

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Job Interviewer: "Where do you see yourself in 5 years?"

Me: "I would say my biggest weakness is listening."

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My brain travels at the speed of light. One second it's here and the next it's 186,000 miles away.

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• A pessimist sees a dark tunnel. An optimist sees light at the end of the tunnel.

• A realist sees a freight train. The train conductor sees three idiots standing on the track.

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Customer in a waterfront restaurant: "Waiter, these are very small oysters!"

Waiter: "Yes sir, they are very small."

Customer: "Also, they do not appear to be very fresh!"

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Alabama Wildlife Art Hard Licenses now on sale

By David Rainer
Al Dept. of Conser & Nat. Resources

Want a beautiful piece of wildlife or nature art that you can carry with you wherever you go? Plus, you get a heck of a deal. You can get that piece of art for just \$5 when you take advantage of Alabama's new hard-card licenses currently on sale for the 2019-2020 hunting and fishing seasons.

For an additional \$5 fee, purchasers can select from eight different cards that depict a variety of outdoors scenes. The art scenes include deer, turkey, freshwater fishing, saltwater fishing, wildlife heritage with an indigo bunting, sandhill crane and shooting sports. A deer and feral hog adorn the inaugural bait privilege license.

A total of 32 license privileges are eligible for purchase as a hard card, including annual hunting and fishing licenses for residents and non-residents, state duck stamp, Wildlife Heritage and bait privilege licenses. Trip licenses, lifetime licenses and no-cost privileges are not included in this feature.

"We worked so hard for years to get away from a paper license to something electronically so people could have it on their phones," said Chris Blankenship, Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR). "That's been really good for a lot of people, but we get a lot of requests for a hard-card license that people can put in their tackle boxes or keep in their wallets, so they can have that with them if they don't have their phones or whatever reason."

Blankenship said other states have seen collectors' markets develop for similar hard licenses with a variety of outdoors scenes.

"We had seen in Florida and some other states where the hard cards have become collectible," he said. "We wanted to create hard cards with multiple wildlife and nature scenes that people could choose from. If they love saltwater fishing, they can pick a saltwater species. If they love freshwater fishing, they could choose a freshwater fish. If they hunt deer or turkey, they can get those."

"Particularly for our Wildlife Heritage licenses, we wanted to create a card for bird watchers or people who may not hunt or fish but enjoy using Forever Wild lands or State Parks. They can support the Department by purchasing the Wildlife Heritage license and the hard card that goes with that. So, we have a hard card that fits just about everybody."

Blankenship hopes people will embrace the hard cards here as they have elsewhere.

"From what we've seen in other states, a lot of people like to buy the whole set that is available for that year," he said. "They might have their license privileges added to one card and then buy the others so they can have a hard card without a license privilege attached to it. While that option is not available this year, we'll see after this year what the demand is for that."

With all the distractions of the modern world, from computer games to smartphones, license sales for outdoors activities have been struggling to maintain status quo. Blankenship said the general public doesn't really understand the importance of license

sales to conservation and wildlife and fisheries management through the ADCNR.

"We are a self-funded agency, so license sales and Parks revenue fund all the work that we do at the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources," he said. "That's why we think the Wildlife Heritage license and the hard card that goes with it might be a good way for people to support the Department. We can match those license sales with federal funds and do good work for the resources of our state."

ADCNR receives three-to-one federal matching funds for licenses sold through the Sport Fish Restoration Act and the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act.

The Sport Fish Restoration Act levies an excise tax on manufacturers, producers, and importers of sport-fishing equipment as well as small engine and motor boat fuel taxes paid by recreational anglers and boaters. A 10% tax is levied on sport-fishing equipment, while a 3% tax is paid on electric (trolling) motors. Tax is also levied on motor boat and small engine fuel, and other import duties are levied on boats and a variety of fishing equipment.

Those funds are distributed according to the number of licenses sold and land mass. The number of licenses sold determines a 60% share of the funding, and 40% percent is based on the land and water area in a particular state.

The Sport Fish Restoration Act requires that 15% of all restoration money be spent on public boating access. It also requires Alabama and other coastal states to fund marine recreational fisheries projects at a ratio determined by the number of resident freshwater to saltwater anglers.

Pittman-Robertson funds are derived from an 11% federal excise tax on the manufacturers of sporting arms, ammunition, and archery equipment. Handgun manufacturers are taxed at a 10% rate. One-half of the excise tax on handguns and archery equipment must be used for hunter education and shooting ranges.

For hard-card collectors, Alabama's wildlife and nature images will change annually. After this inaugural roll-out of the hard cards, Blankenship said there is a possibility that the photos of the winners of the

annual ADCNR Photo Contest could be used to adorn each year's edition of hard cards.

"We have a lot of ideas about what we can do with the hard cards," he said. "Really, we decided to do the hard cards for two reasons. One was to meet the demand for people who wanted a hard card to put their license privileges on, and the other was to find ways for other people to support the work of the Department."

The easiest way to obtain a hard license with the wildlife and nature scenes is to purchase a license online and click on the link to purchase a hard license. Buyers can choose one or all eight of the cards at \$5 per card. License purchasers who use retail outlets can also obtain a hard license. For those who want to get a hard card after a license has already been purchased, go online and use the "Replacement/Additional Hard Card" link to purchase any or all of the eight cards.

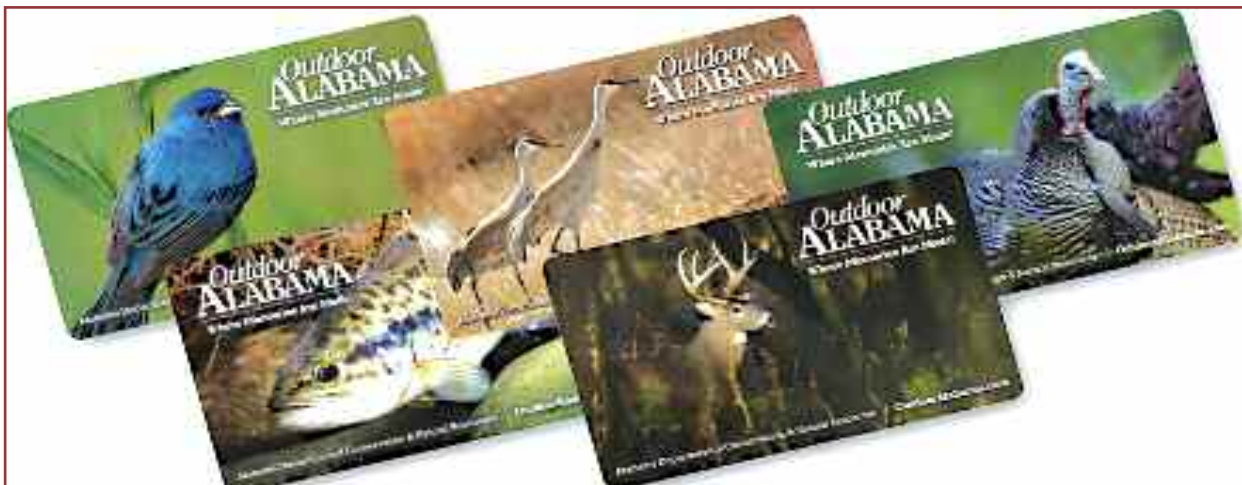
After purchase, the hard licenses will be mailed to buyers within 10 days. If you plan to hunt or fish before you receive your hard card, be sure to keep a paper copy of your license or have it available on your smartphone.

For deer and turkey hunters as well as red snapper anglers, don't forget that when you purchase a hard card, you still must comply with harvest reporting requirements. Hunters who hunt deer and turkey should report through Game Check, while red snapper anglers should comply through Snapper Check. The easiest way to comply is to use the Outdoor Alabama app. Otherwise, hunters must retain a paper record of their harvests.

The new Reef Fish Endorsement is now available for purchase and will be required beginning September 1 to possess any reef fish species in Alabama waters. Marine Resources Division (MRD) Director Scott Bannon said enforcement will be out educating the public regarding the endorsement.

"Anytime we have a rule change we try and make efforts to inform the public about the change and allow some time for adjustment to the rule," said Bannon.

Another option for those who purchase licenses for the 2019-2020 seasons is the ability to round up their purchase to the next nearest dollar. If they choose, that extra money can be designated for research in wildlife, freshwater fishing or saltwater fishing. Also new this year is the ability to opt-in for annual auto-renewal of licenses.



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