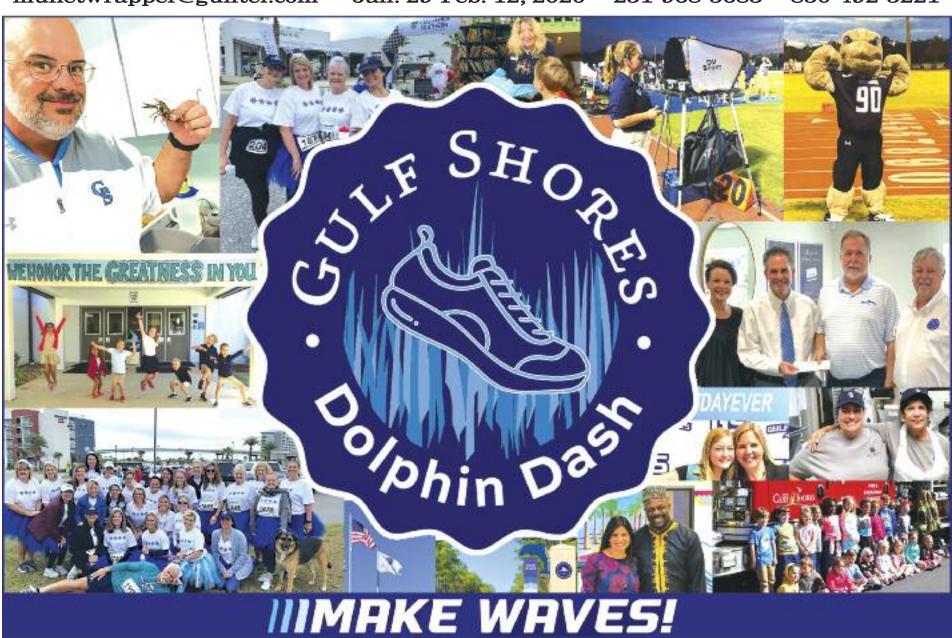


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LA Beach Writers meet Feb. 3 at Gulf Shores Library

By Diane Clark

The LA Beach Writers will meet February 3 from 4-5:45 p.m. at the Thomas B. Nelson Library in Gulf Shores. This meeting will feature Author Linda B. Schmitz Sprangrud, 'The Turtle Lady,' who has written "Miss Ella and the Turtle People." Miss Ella and the Turtle People is a children's picture book about the protection, care, and conservation of turtles. Miss Ella learns a lot from the band of volunteers (Turtle People) who dedicate their time to protecting the eggs laid by a mother turtle on the beach. This book is based on the Gulf Coast's initiative along beaches in Gulf Shores and Orange Beach who are committed to these endangered turtle species. Linda's book comes with a small stuffed turtle and autographed copies will be available for purchase that evening. It is ideal for gift giving to children who enjoy nature.

The February 24 meeting will sponsor author Kent Cookson. His presentation about Foley, The First 100 years, will help you learn historical facts and see historical photos in his book which

will be available for purchase.

L A Beach Writers invites area writers and authors--published and unpublished--or even just the curious and "wannabees." to attend. The group offers education, guidance and coaching as most members have a journey to share. The mission of the group is to foster the writing skills of anyone who desires to publish a novel or autobiography, write a family legacy, and anything in between. They meet twice a month.

Also, mark your calendars now for the March 9th 4 PM writer's meeting with Author Sue Ade. She has written several

romantic novels which she will talk about.

More info: Diane Clark at dianecl6@aol.com or 419 670-2739.

Snook Youth Club Mardi Gras Dance, Auction Feb. 8

The Snook Youth Club in Foley will present its Mardi Gras Dance, Auction & Fundraiser on Saturday, Feb. 8 from 7-11 p.m. in the ballroom at the Magnolia Hotel in Foley. Tickets are \$50 per person, including two drink tickets, music from the Exit 105 Dance Band and hors d'oeuvres. Dress is festive cocktail (black tie or semi-formal), and all proceeds benefit the club's mission to provide its youth participants with the opportunity to engage in social youth programs.

For ticket info, call 943-1483 or visit the club's facebook page. The John McClure Snook Youth Club of Foley (SYC), is a 501c3

not for profit agency. Our mission is to provide

the children and youth of Baldwin County a safe and affordable space that includes educational and learning opportunities programs promote social, emotional, intellectual, academic, and artistic enrichment.

Coast Guard Auxiliary Safe Boating Course February 15

Flotilla 3-10 of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will conduct a safe boating class Saturday, February 15, at the Orange Beach Community Center. Successful completion of this course meets the educational requirement needed to obtain a boating license in Alabama and other states. Course content includes safe and practical boating procedures, trailer and ramp safety, navigation rules, aids to navigation, safety equipment, preparing for emergencies, boating laws and regulations, line handling, and fun with knots. Families are welcome. Course book, instructional materials, lunch and refreshments provided. Register at malinmo@yahoo.com or leave a message at (251) 284-1461. Info and other class dates are available on the Coast Guard Auxil-



Peter Fletcher plays Feb. 18 in support of Coastal Ballet

An Evening of Music with Peter Fletcher (pictured), a fundraiser for the Coastal Ballet Company, will be held on Tuesday, February 18 at South Baldwin Community Theatre. Showtime for the evening of classical music is 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and available at coastalballet.org or by calling 251-979-9851. SBCT is located at 2022 West 2nd St. in Gulf Shores.

In demand as a performer in cultural venues throughout the country, Fletcher has been invited to give recitals at the George Eastman House in Rochester and performed on the Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concert Series at the Chicago Cultural Center.

In January 2005, Mr. Fletcher was invited to join the distinguished Jury of the 9th Annual Schadt String Competition. He made his New York Debut at Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall in 2007, and returned four more times to a completely soldout house.

Coastal Ballet, under the direction of Madame Rio Cordy, has been training local students in classes for creative movement, jazz, ballet and pointe for the past 20 years.

Four A Change concert Feb. 13 at Magnolia Hotel

Join Four A Change at the Hotel Magnolia on February 13 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. for "An Evening of Love Songs." The group will be teaming up with the fabulous Copper Kettle TeaBar to provide a delicious selection of homemade desserts along with the Copper Kettle's hugely popular selection of herbal teas, which will be available for purchase at 6:30 p.m. and again at intermission Tickets are \$15 and available by calling 251-923-9818. Tickets can also be purchased at The Hotel Magnolia in Foley

Gulf Shores Woman's Club Tour of Homes set for Feb. 8

On February 8, the Gulf Shores Woman's Club will showcase five remarkable homes in its 43rd Annual Tour of Homes. The homes will be open from 9:30am to 4:00pm. They are located in Gulf Shores CraK Farms overlooking the beauMful golf course and in Orange Beach overlooking Terry Cove and Bayou St. John. Money raised goes to local scholarships and chariMes.

Tickets are \$20 each and include 5 chances for raffle prizes. The prizes are from Beach House BouMque, Diamond Jewelers, The Arant Team - RE/MAX of Gulf Shores, The Skin Center & Total Health Spa at the McCollough InsMtute and Wildflowers

Tickets may be purchased at the following retail outlets: Foley - Fran's on 59 (8153 Highway 59); McKenzie Street Florist (201 South McKenzie Street). Gulf Shores - Beach House BouDque at Pelican Place (3800 Gulf Shores Pkwy #320); Geez Louise BouDque (701 Gulf Shores Pkwy). Orange Beach - Bungalows at The Wharf (4776 Wharf Pkwy West #110); GiKed at SanRoc Cay (27267 Perdido Beach Blvd.); Wildflowers BouDque (25910 Canal Road). For more informaDon or to order Dckets, call Judie Flanigan at 251-554-4889.

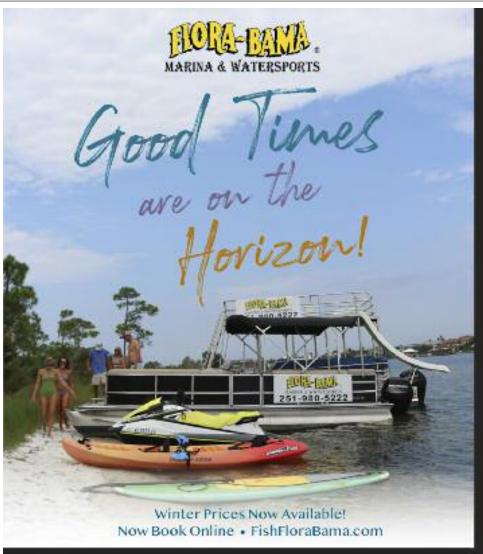


Friends of Foley Library Book Sale Feb. 7-8 at Civic Center

The Friends of the Foley Library Book Sale will be held Feb. 7-8 at the Foley Civic Center, located at 319 E. Laurel Ave. in downtown Foley. All of the proceeds help fund the Foley Public Library. Hours on Friday, Feb. 7 are 9 a.m. 'til 5 p.m. The sale is open from 9 am. 'til noon on Saturday, Feb. 8. In addition, Saturday is \$5 Bag Day from 9 a.m. 'til noon. Fill a Tanger Shopping Bag with as many as it will hold for only \$5.

The event includes a preview sale for Friends of the Library members only on Thursday, February 6 from 1-4 p.m. Patrons can join the Friends (\$15 for families and \$10 for single memberships) at the preview party. For more info, call 251-943-7665 or 251-943-3443 or visit foleylibrary.org.

Pictured: Lynn Johnson and John Penton sort books for Friends of Foley Library Annual Book Sale February 6-8.





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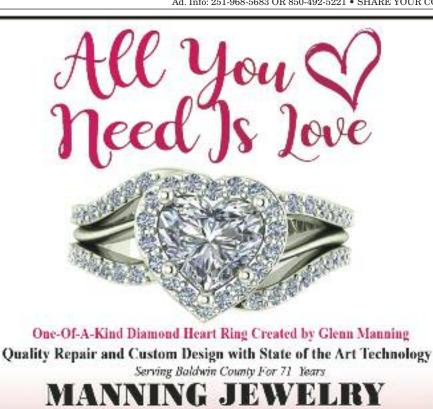
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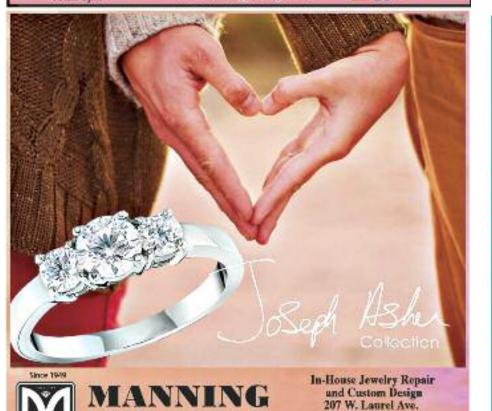
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26th Annual Flora-Bama Chili Cook-Off Feb. 1

Some 25 teams will vie for the coveted title of Best Chili around when they startcookin' up their secret ingredients under the Tent at the iconic Flora-Bama, Saturday, February 1. This popular event, starts cookin' with the 'Honky-Tonk' country music of Jason Justice and the Hung Jury at 11 a.m. A \$20 donation to the American Cancer Society allows you unlimited sampling of chili along with a free draft beer. Last year over \$15,000 was raised for the Society's efforts to eliminate cancer.

Coming to cook? Entry fees are \$25 per three-man team. Registration fees include three t-shirts, one apron, and complimentary beer. Teams will cook minimum of five gallons of chili on site, using their own ingredients, cooking utensils, pots and burner. Teams can register online at www.florabama.com. Winners have a shot at more than \$300 in cash prizes with perpetual trophies awarded for First – Third Place, People's Choice & Best Decorated Booth.

Coming to eat? For \$20 per person, each guest will enjoy unlimited chili samples, one free beer or non-alcoholic beverage and one People's Choice ticket to give to the team of your choice. Pay at the door, get your hand stamped, then sample away! Try any and every chili you desire and vote by putting your ticket in the booth you deem best. 100% of ticket sales from the public will support American Cancer Society. Additional People's Choice tickets can be purchased for \$1.

Timeline Teams can set up at 8 a.m. and cooking begins at 10 a.m., after each team's ingredients have been inspected for food safety and fairness. Live music kicks off the party at 11am with Jason Justice and The Hung Jury, while the public's chili sampling starts at noon. Tasting will continue until 3 pm, so stick around for the awards ceremony to see who wins the People's Choice, Judge's Taste, and the Best Decorated Booth award.

For more info, email jenifer@florabama.com, keeley@florabama.com or visit florabama.com or facebook.com/florabama

Pictured: Music, chili and good times at the 2019 cook-off.







Dolphin Athletic Club Drawdown slated Feb. 1

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.

Bama Beach Pickleball Club hosts beginners' play days

Bama Beach Pickleball Club will sponsor a beginners play day every Tuesday and Thursday at the Church of Christ located at 2414 West 1st Street in Gulf Shores. Open play is from 2-4 p.m. for beginners who want to come and play/practice with other beginners. After a few of these sessions, you will soon be ready to play in all of the daily open times with other novices and intermediates and next year, maybe with the advanced players!

Sea Turtle Half Marathon & Sweetheart 5K is Feb. 15

The LA Fleet Feet 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run and Sea Turtle Half Marathon will be held on Saturday, February 15 at the Hangout at Gulf Shores Pubic Beach.

The half marathon starts at 7:30 a.m. The beautiful destination run along a fast and flat course draws athletes, runners and families from all across the Southeast because of the unmatched scenery of the course, adjacent to the white sandy beaches and turquoise Gulf waters.

The 1-mile Fun Run will start at 8:30 a.m., and the Sweetheart 5K will follow at 9 a.m. One of the many reasons families love this iconic race is because the kids can participate in the fun run while parents compete in the half marathon, and all 3 races finish at approximately the same time.

Come for the race, stay for the party! Immediately following the race is a post race afterparty in The Hangout courtyard with live music, craft beer, and games for the kids like giant Jenga, foosball and ping pong. Participants receive one box lunch provided by The Hangout, and the award ceremony will take place in front of the main stage.

Every year, 100 percent of the race proceeds support charitable causes such as Camp Rap-A-Hope, Mary's Shelter Gulf Coast, Share the Beach, Gulf Coast Arts Alliance, Alabama Marine Mammal Stranding Network, and Miracle League of Coastal Alabama.

For more info, visit facebook or go to register. chronotrack.com.

Feb. 29 Dolphin Dash 5K registration is only \$20

Gulf Shores City Schools Dolphin Dash 5k and 1 Mile Fun Run will be held on Saturday, February 29 at 8 a.m. at Gulf Shores Public Beach.

The event includes great race awards, a fun after party and a t-shirt is guaranteed for all who pre-register before Feb. 7. Cost is only \$20 per person. Register at runsignup.com. The event is sponsored by the Gulf Shores City Schools Parent Teacher Organization and proceeds benefit all three city schools. The sponsorship deadline is Feb. 9. For sponsorship info, call Ginny Gilbert at (251) 229-1019.

PIJWC Island Cocktail Party Feb. 8 at The Port at Zeke's Marina

The 2020 Island Cocktail Party, hosted by the Pleasure Island Junior Woman's Club, will held be at The Port at Zeke's Marina in Orange Beach on Saturday, February 8 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$37.10 per person and available at event.gives.

All are welcome to come and enjoy yummy food, live music by the band Hollard and lots of goodies donated by local businesses for the silent auction. Auction bidding will also be available online, giving everyone lots of time to dance and socialize while still keeping tabs on their favorite items. Hollard covers anything from old school classic country to new age alternative rock. They bring the party.

The Pleasure Island Junior Woman's Club's mission is to clothe local school aged children in the Gulf Shores and Orange Beach area, who cannot afford uniforms - approximately 50 children in a school year.

Bluegrass & Storytelling Feb. 7 at Blakeley State Park

Live music and storytelling returns to Historic Blakeley State Park on Friday, February 7. From 6 to 8 PM the park will host talented local bluegrass band "Things With Strings" as they play both classic and new tunes with their trademark smooth mountain tone. Between sets, popular storyteller Harriet Outlaw, author of Haunted Baldwin County, will relate some of the most celebrated legends and lore from Blakeley's storied past. Food will be available.

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$4 for kids ages 6-12; under 6 is free. Just bring a chair and enjoy an evening in the great outdoors at Blakeley. For more information, visit the events page of the park website at blakeleypark.com.

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O.B. Garden Club Game Day & Salad Luncheon Feb. 19

By Renita Durbin

For all who love to play games or just love great lunches, come to The Orange Beach Garden Club Annual Salad Luncheon and Game Day and bring friends. The date is Wednesday, February 19, 2020. The cost is \$25 per ticket, and the location is the Event Center at the Wharf in Orange Beach. Buy your tickets at The Emporium in Orange Beach and sign up for the table size you need for you and your friends. 4, 6 or 8. Bring your own cards, etc., for the game you want to play.

Doors open at 9:30 a.m. The games begin at 10 a.m. with coffee and cookies for all. Lunch is at noon with the most delicious homemade salads and desserts. At 1 p.m. we will begin our raffle, and we will have over 90 gifts available. You can purchase raffle tickets at the event. Call 251-979-5308 for more information.

Pictured: Fun past OBGC salad luncheons.









Riley Green plays March 9 on Flora-Bama beach stage

Country crooner Riley Green (pictured) is coming back to the Flora-Bama beach stage for a special Beach concert on Monday, March 9. Tickets for the show go on sale Friday, Jan. 31 and are priced at \$39.50 (plus

taxes and fees). There is no guarantee, but if any tickets are available day of show, they will be available for purchase on site for \$45.00 (plus taxes and fees). The Flora-Bama is, of course, located on the Gulf at the AL-FL state line. Gates for the show will open at 2 p.m., with supporting acts set to start at 3 p.m. The headliner is scheduled for 4 p.m. Umbrellas are not allowed, but patrons can bring beach chairs, blankets and towels. There will be a designated beach chair area in the back portion of the general admission area.

An Alabama native (Jacksonville), Green was raised on the sounds of traditional country, bluegrass, and south-

ern gospel music. He learned the spirit of songwriting and performing at a young age while spending time with his grandfather, Bufford Green, who ran the Golden Saw Music Hall. Green shared the stage with him and other men of his generation, laying a foundation for the songs he'd craft in the years to come, reflecting on the experiences of a young Southern man trying to find his place in the world.

His debut In a Truck Right Now EP introduced his mixture of outlaw-rebellion and respect for tradition across his self-penned four tracks, including his debut No. 1 hit single "There Was This Girl." He followed up with "In Love By Now." Last year was a whirlwind of firsts for Green as he was part of the Opry's Next Stage Program, fulfilling his childhood dream of performing on the Grand Ole Opry, and made his national TV debut, headlined his own tour adn went on the road with Brad Paisley's-World Tour and also toured with Jon Pardi. More info: RileyGreenMusic.com of FloraBama.com.

Public meeting for local watershed management plan Feb. 6 at GSP Learning Center

Input solicited to determine best plans for Little Lagoon & Perdido Pass BP oil spill funds

A public engagement meeting in advance of Mobile Bay National Estuary Program for the development of a watershed management plan for the Little Lagoon and Perdido Pass watersheds will be held on Feb. 6 at 6 p.m. at the Gulf State Park Learning Campus, located at 20249 highway 135 in Gulf Shores (just west of Woodide Restaurant). The public will be asked for valuable input during the meeting.

"This plan will help determine where RE-STORE funds - oil spill monies are spent in our area," said meeting organizer Tracy Holiday of the Islands of Perdido Foundation. "The number of people in attendance will directly impact the plan, help show priorities and is vital to the project."

"The LLPS Board feels like this plan should serve us well for years on how to preserve the good and, importantly, remediate problems in the watershed," said Little Lagoon Preservation Society President Dennis Hatfield. "The planning effort has City and County buy-in and support. Our watershed is our home and livelihood. No one knows the Lagoon like folks who live on it, and their input is critically important."

Ron Phelps, Dan Bond and Mark Acreman from the City of Gulf Shores, and Phillip West of the City of Orange Beach are also on The Gulf Frontal Watershed Management Plan steering committee, along with Holida, Hatfield and others.

"In order for this plan to be the best it can be and serve us for years to come, we need citizen attention to the plan and most importantly, input and ideas," Hatfield said.

The Mobile Bay National Estuary Program (MBNEP) was created under the provisions of the federal Clean Water Act to promote the wise stewardship of coastal water quality. Its staff works with businesses, industry leaders, and hundreds of volunteers to protect the delicate watersheds of the Gulf Coast from emerging environmental challenges.

The MBNEP hopes to complete the process of selecting a firm to develop a conceptual engineering master plan based on new and available data by May.

For more info, contact Holiday at (251) 752-

Lulu's adds separate allergen free kitchen

Lucy Buffett's Lulu's Restaurant in Gulf Shores is back open for business after closing for three weeks to add a new standalone allergen free branch to its kitchen.

The popular bistro, located on the northside of the Intracoastal Waterway under the Hwy. 59 Bridge, added an allergy friendly menu around 10 years ago, and just wrapped up construction on the new state-of-the-art allergen free kitchen on Jan. 27.

LuLu's allergy friendly, dairy free menu has the same delicious LuLu's taste as the regular menu. For added safety, LuLu's managers and supervisors serve as allergen free menu wait staff and then personally cook and deliver the meal back to the table. This provides an extra level of safety for customers, some of who have not previously been able to eat at traditional restaurants.

Owned by the sister of Jimmy Buffett, who sometimes visits and has performed there, LuLu's separate allergen free menu features the same coastal cuisine prepared to order with Lucy's famed gumbo love, with gluten-free, dairy-free, soy-free, shellfish-free, egg-free, and seafood-free options.



Christian Service Center Spaghetti Dinner Feb. 18 at GSUMC

The Christian Service Center will host their annual spaghetti dinner on Tuesday, Feb. 18 at the Gulf Shores United Methodist Church, Building B, from 4:30 – 7 p.m. Dine-in and drive-through service will be available, along with vegetarian and gluten free options.

The \$10 per person tickets are available at the Christian Service Center, 317 Dolphin Avenue, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. – noon, and at the Gulf Shores United Methodist Church

Coffee Shop and at the door.

The Christian Service Center is a "Hand Up" rather than a "Hand Out" agency. Clients are given immediate emergency aid as well as guidance on finding solutions to their problems. The CSC is a 100% volunteer agency funded by the churches of Pleasure Island, various community organizations, including the United Way of Baldwin County, and interested individuals. For more info, call the CSC at 251-968-5256 or visit cscgs.com.

Pictured: Karen Sabatino - Spaghetti Dinner Chair, Susan Coyne - Volunteer Chef, Betty Oliver - Volunteer Coordinator.

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AROUND TOWN

Gulf Shores High students now using MacBook Air laptops

The Gulf Shores City School District is excited to announce a major technology initiative at Gulf Shores High School. The district will deploy MacBook Air laptops to all high school and virtual school students in grades 9-12. In describing the decision to utilize Macbooks, Superintendent Matt Akin said, "We believe that technology tools should support our curriculum and learning environment. We feel that Macbooks will enhance student creativity and collaboration between our students and teachers." Macbooks will replace existing Chromebooks. The MacBook purchase was made possible through a generous grant from the Erie Hall Meyer Charitable Fund and funding from the city of Gulf Shores.



GSUMC Mother's Day Out Valentine's starts gourmet apple fundraiser

Once again, the Mother's Day Out and Preschool at Gulf Shores United Methodist Church has partnered with A Specialty Bakery in Gulf Shores for their annual Valentine's Gourmet Apple fundraiser. These delicious apples are hand-dipped in layers of caramel, milk chocolate and white chocolate either with or without pecans. Apples will be wrapped with an attached gift tag, just in time for that special someone on Valentine's Day. Orders will be ready for pickup on Friday, February 14 from 9-3 at the church. To place an order call 968.4328. The church's Mother's Day Out program has served young families in the community for 38 years. **Pictured:** Lana Crawford, GSUMC Director of Mother's Day Out and Preschool Brenda Ray of A Specialty Bakery.



Hot Air Balloon Fest poster design chosen

Sabrina Steuber of Huntsville, is the winner of the 16th Annual Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Fes-



tival poster design contest. The festival will be held on May 1-2. Sabrina's colorful artwork will not only be the official poster this year, but you will also find it grac-

ing the back of the official Balloon Fest T-shirts.

Sabrina considers Gulf Shores as her second home, as her family visits every fall. She found out about the Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival Poster Contest via the Gulf Coast Arts Alliance and has submitted to several events right here on the Gulf Coast. You can kind more of her art work at The Beach Club. A few years back, Sabrina entered into a competition for Turtle Tracks and was chosen as one of the winners. Her design became a turtle sculpture and is on display permanently at The Beach Club. More fest info: gulfcoastballoonfestival.

Voices of Mobile Feb. 7 at Coastal Art Center

The Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach will host Voices of Mobile on Feb. 7 at 6 p.m., as part of its Acoustic Arts concert series. Tickets are \$20 in advance. All concerts will take place in the gallery listening room. Call the Arts Center at 251-981-ARTS (2787) for tickets to all concerts. Seating is limited for these up-close performances. The Coastal Art Center is at 26389 Canal Road.

Design work begins for Orange Beach boat launch

Baldwin County Commissioners, ADCNR Commissioner Chris Blankenship, members of the Baldwin County Legislative Delegation, Orange Beach Mayor Tony Kennon recently participated in a groundbreaking ceremony for a massive (48 acre) County Intracoastal Boat Launch project to be located just west of the Foley Beach Express on Brown Lane on the northside of the Intracoastal Waterway.

The property acquisition was supported by \$7.5 million from the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act. The Baldwin County Commission is investing in the design, engineering and construction of the site.

"This boat launch will be a beautiful project located right on the Intracoastal Waterway that will allow citizens to enjoy fishing, recreational boating and other watersports," said commissioner Billie Jo Underwood.

"This has been in the works for several years," added commissioner Skip Gruber. "This launch site will help citizens of Alabama get on the water and we will continue to work to identify additional water access locations around the county. They've got a lot of work to do but we wanted to go ahead and have a ribbon-cutting for it so that we can start going."

Originally, the project was to have 12 launches, parking for 450 boat trailers and 50 parking spaces for day-use areas and other amenities. Officials say it's unlikely that such a large launch will be approved. Volkert has been contracted to design the project and will handle the permitting process, Gruber said.

"We're going to try to get what we can get out of it," Gruber said. "We gave them the conceptual plan that we had before and hopefully they can stick to what that is."







GCAA Art Market Feb. 8 at G.S. First Presbyterian Church

The Gulf Coast Arts Alliance will have an indoor Art Market at the Gulf Shores First Presbyterian Church complex located at 309 E 21st Ave. in Gulf Shores on February 8 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Visitors can browse the original works of more than 30 artists whose art will include paintings, pottery, metal art, jewelry, textile art and mixed media.

Among those exhibiting her original work is Anne Webb (**pictured**). Originally from Canada and now a resident of Magnolia Springs, she is mostly self-taughta and chooses to work mainly on the potter's wheel in both high-fire stoneware and porcelain, producing both utilitarian and decorative one-of-a-kind pottery. She draws design inspiration from the world around her, and is strongly influenced by the aesthetic and spirit of Asian and Celtic design and the Art Nouveau Period.

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



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Mardi Gras 2020

Participants welcome to join Feb. 22 Foley Mardi Gras parade

The Foley Mardi Gras Parade starts at 11 a.m. on Saturday, February 22, at the intersection of Roosevelt and Alston streets. The parade winds north on Alston before turning west on U.S. 98 and finally heading south on Oak Street. This parade is open to pre-registration from the public, and as such, we call it a people's parade. If you'd like to ride in the parade or twirl your parasol in the second line, pre-register by contacting Paul Adams at 251-923-6918.

Orange Beach parades start on Mardi Gras Saturday this year

Mardi Gras parades in Orange Beach will begin to roll with The Mystics of Pleasure's parade on Saturday, February 22, followed by "Moon Pies on Main" at The Wharf on Monday, February 24 and then the finale on Fat Tuesday, February 25 with the city's parade starting at 2.

On February 22, the Mystics will be joined by the Mystical Order of Mirams as there will be no Friday night parade. The Saturday Night Mega Mardi Gras Parade starts at 5:30 p.m. on Perdido Beach Boulevard at the traffic signal just east of Phoenix West, near Fin & Fork. The parade will end at the intersection of Highway 161 and Perdido Beach Boulevard, just past the Publix shopping center. Please note where the new medians begin, near the Romar Beach Access, the floats will move to the westbound lanes (north side of the beach highway).

The Wharf's "Moon Pies on Main" event on Monday, February 24 in-

The Wharf's "Moon Pies on Main" event on Monday, February 24 includes a Kid and Pet Parade kicking off the Lundi Gras festivities at 4 p.m., followed by activities, and an evening float parade rolls at 6 p.m. For details, go to alwharf.com.

The city will hold its 2020 Orange Beach Mardi Gras Parade at 2 p.m. on Fat Tuesday, February 25. The parade follows the same Perdido Beach Boulevard route as Saturday's parade.

Mardi Gras Parade Schedule

Saturday, February 1

1 p.m. - Dauphin Island People's Parade (Dauphin Island)

Saturday, February 8

10:45 a.m. - Pirates Of Lost Treasure Flotilla (Perdido Key)

Friday, February 14

6:45 p.m. - Apollo's Mystic Ladies (Daphne)

Saturday, February 15

6:30 p.m. - Knights of Ecor Rouge (Fairhope)

Friday, Feb 21

6 p.m. - No Orange Beach Parade (Mega-Parade on Sat.) 6:45 p.m. - Maids of Jubilee (**Fairhope**)

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Saturday, Feb 22

11 a.m. - Foley parade (Foley)

12 p.m. - Pardi Gras Fest (Innerarity Point)

2 p.m. - Krewe of Mullet Mates (Mullet Point)

2 p.m. - Grand Mardi Gras Parade, Downtown Pensacola

5:30 p.m. - Mystics of Pleasure (Orange Beach)

Mystical Ordor of the Mirams (Orange Beach)

6:45 p.m. - The Shadow Barons (Daphne)

Sunday, Feb 23 (Joe Cain Day)

1 p.m. - Joe Cain Day Parade & Street Party, Mobile

1 p.m. - Ft. Morgan Parade, Ft. Morgan

1 p.m. - Krewe of Wrecks Parade, Pensacola Beach

2 p.m. - Krewe of the Royal Riff-Raff, Josephine

2:29 p.m. - Loyal Order of the Fire Truck (Daphne)

6 p.m. - Krewe du Cirque Grand Parade (Foley, OWA)

Monday, Feb 24 (Lundi Gras)

4 p.m. - Kid & Pet Parade, The Wharf, Orange Beach

6 p.m. - Evening Float Parade, The Wharf, Orange Beach

6:45 p.m. - Order of Mystic Magnolias (Fairhope)

Tuesday, Feb 25 (Fat Tuesday)

10 a.m. - Gulf Shores Parade (Gulf Shores)

2 p.m. - Orange Beach Parade (Orange Beach)









Feb. 8 Pirates of Lost Treasure flotilla ends with party at Flora-Bama

By Jimmie Sue Walters

Pirates, friends and the community are invited to Perdido Key's official kick-off of Mardi Gras Season. It's Perdido Key's Biggest Mardi Gras Flotilla and guaranteed to be a fun time. Our 2020 theme is "It's a Pirate Life for Me." Whether it's beads you crave, floating decorated boats, a fun day on the water, or lots of Pillaging Pirates — we guarantee a good time. Come on out on Saturday, Feb, 8. The parade departs Holiday Harbor basin at promptly 10:45 a.m. The flotilla will bead the docks along Sunset Grille, head east to Oyster Bar, do a U-Turn, shower the docks along Perdido Bay Seafood, continue to Galvez Landing bombarding docks with booty before heading west up Ole River. Pillage the Ole River Downstairs' bar for One grog and get a group photo!

The Victory Party follows at the Flora Bama (Tent Stage) with flotilla cash awards for Most Spirited Crew; Most

The Victory Party follows at the Flora Bama (Tent Stage) with flotilla cash awards for Most Spirited Crew; Most Original Theme; and Best Decorated Vessel. Registration is \$25 each for those wishing to enter their boat. Booty Bags include a local Alan Woolford artwork designed event T-shirt – "It's a Pirate Life for Me." The captain's meet-

ing at Perdido Key Sports Bar is on Friday, Feb. 7 at 6 p.m. All captains must attend.

Sunset Grille at Holiday Harbor Marina opens at 9 a.m. for \$4 Bloody Marys; \$3 Mimosas and Poinsettias. The Oyster Bar of PK opens at 10:30 a.m. for 25% discount on food and beverages. Call ahead to make reservations for the deck tables - 850-492-5600. Hub Stacey's opens at 7 a.m. and will be serving breakfast and offering \$3 Mimosas and Bloody Marys. You can walk down to Galvez Landing to view the parade from there. The Flora-Bama will have red beans and rice for \$5 and lots of great entertainment, a 50/50 drawing, t-shirts & koozies and a "Grog" Treasure Chest of Liquor raffle (you do not have to be present to win). Award winners and 50/50 and Treasure Chest Raffle winners will be announced around 2:45 p.m. Break out your ol' pirate costume and dust off your boots. Come dressed like a Pirate and party With PLT all for the benefit of PLT & Secret Santa Foundation. For more info, contact Gregg Slawson at (850) 748-3222 or Barry Swift at (850) 426-9242.

Pictured: Pirate fun at the 2019 flotilla.















Fat Tuesday Pancake Breakfast a new G.S. pre-parade tradition

By Steve Means

It's almost here. Mardi Gras is just around the corner! Mullet Wrapper readers are highly sophisticated, intelligent, and well informed people. Therefore, you already know that Mardi Gras and pancakes are bound together with a deep historical connection.

In early days, Mardi Gras was the day people would eat as much as possible to fill their stomachs before the long days of fasting began with Lent. Back in those early days, and continuing until modern times, the food of choice was "pancakes". The masses, who had very little money, couldn't fill themselves with meats, vegeta-

bles and more expensive foods, so they chose to use what they had on hand. Basically, milk, eggs, butter and flour.

Mix those ingredients and guess what? You have pancakes! So eating pancakes on Fat Tuesday became a tradition that is still celebrated all over the world, in-

cluding right here in Gulf Shores!

For many years, the Gulf Shores United Methodist Men have held the Fat Tuesday Pancake Day, serving hundreds of people hot pancakes, sausage and coffee. As usual, this years' event is on Mardi Gras Day (Feb. 25th) from 7-10 a.m. in the church auditorium next to the old Winn Dixi building. Bring your lawn chairs to enjoy the fun filled Mardi Gras Parade beginning at 10 o'clock. Visit with your friends, enjoy a pancake breakfast, and walk just outside to enjoy the parade. It doesn't get any better than that! Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door. Available at the church office. or



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SOUTH BALDWIN NEWCOMERS TOAST TO THE COAST

South Baldwin Newcomers Club's Annual Fundraiser, Toast to The Coast – Disco Fever, is in the history books. After another year quickly passed, we enjoyed a night filled with fabulous fun, delicious food, dancing the night away to some groovy tunes, and awesome costumes. This event would not be possible without the help of our local businesses that advertised our event by displaying our event posters and local publications who advertised our event, including a local television station; not to mention the local and national companies who donated fabulous items for our Silent Auction. Thank you to the local Restaurants and Bakeries that so graciously served such delicious entrees from their menus. We loved having Debbie Williams who volunteered to be our Emcee for the evening. Appreciation goes out to all the club members for their countless volunteer hours and individual donations to our Cork Pull. Last, but not least, to all those who purchased tickets and attended our event...we thank you and our local community thanks you! Our Event Chair Susan West was the leader that kept us all organized and motivated to this wonderful conclusion. That being the ability to raise funds for our local charities and high school scholarships. Donations are what allow these charities to help our local citizens and allow students to further their education. To everyone who worked and gave to this event, we thank you so very much!! (By Karen Brumbelow)









































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By George Ridder



What do you call it when you mix alcohol and American Literature?

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Why was E the only letter in the alphabet to get a Christmas present?

Because the rest of the letters were not-E.

The soldier asked for a furlough so that he might get married. "How long have you known this girl," the sergeant

"A week."

"Why, my lad, that's not long enough. I suggest you wait a couple of months, and then, if you still want to get married I will approve the furlough."

Two months later the soldier was back, reminding the sergeant of his promise.

"So you still want to get married? I didn't think that a young man would stay interested in the same girl for a couple of

"I know, sir. But this isn't the same girl."

Deciding to give his wife a pleasant surprise, the husband took home some flowers and a box of candy. "Hazel, you look tired," he said to his wife. "Slip on your best outfit and lets go out to eat."

Hazel bursts into tears. "It was bad enough to have the baby fall down the back steps

and burn my hand in the kitchen," she sobbed, "but to have you come home intoxicated is just too much!'

I wondered if I could get my husband to help me address Christmas cards, as I had so much to do. I arranged everything we needed, then hopefully pulled up a chair and said, "Come on, Dear, let's get these out of the way.'

He glanced at the array on the table, turned away and went into the den, only to return moments later with a high stack of cards, stamped, sealed, and addressed.

"They're last year's," he said. "I forgot to mail them. Now let's go out to dinner and relax."

A man bought a mousetrap. When he brought it home, he discovered that he had no cheese to bait it with. So he found a picture of some cheese and put the picture in the trap.

The next morning he went to the trap to see if it had caught anything. The picture of the cheese was gone. In its place was a picture of a mouse.

A businessman boarded a plane to find, sitting next to him, an elegant woman wearing the largest, most stunning diamond ring he had ever seen. He asked her about it.

"This is the Bexfield diamond," she said. "It is beautiful, but there is a terrible curse that goes with it."

"What's the curse?" the man asked.

"Mr. Bexfield."

Why was 2019 afraid of 2020? Because today they got into a fight and 2021...

A man went to the doctor complaining of insomnia. The doctor gave him a thorough examination, found absolutely nothing physically wrong.

He told him, "Listen, if you ever expect to cure your insomnia, you just have to stop taking your troubles to bed with you."

"I know," said the man, "but I can't. My wife refuses to sleep alone."

Mr. Magic: I can turn this handkerchief into a flower.

Little Johnny: That's nothing. I can walk down the street and turn into an alley.

The guarrel had reached a

new height when the wife said to her spouse, "I wish I'd taken my mother's advice and never married you."

Hubby swung around, "Do you mean to tell me that your mother tried to stop you from marrying me?"

Wife nodded in the affirmative.

"Good heavens," cried the husband, his voice filled with remorse. "How I've wronged that woman."

A couple moved to the country after retirement. One mild winter, they had a bit of a problem with rodents in the garage. So they bought a sub-sonic mouse repellent, a plug-in type that emits some kind of sound that drives off mice. The husband was showing it to their neighbor and explaining that it was an animal repellent. He told her that it worked on everything from mice to elephants.

"Really!?" she said. "Mice to elephants, eh?" sounding a bit

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THU, JAN 30
• 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.

- Linda Spangrud Book Signing: 5; "Miss Ella and the Turtle People"; C'est Le Vin Wine Bar & Shop;
- Saucy Fuzz: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
 Tim Roberts: 6; Tin Top Restaurant; Bon Secour.
 Karaoke/DJ Party w. Kelly: 8; The Sandshaker;
- The Wharf in Orange Beach.
 LeaAnn Creswell & Lisa Zanghi: 6; Ole Franco's; Orange Beach.
- Karaoke: 6; Fraternal Order of Eagles #4549, Gulf
- John Brust: 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach
- Resort; Orange Beach.

 Open Mic: 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach. • Karaoke: 8; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's;
- Bridge: noon; American Legion Post 44, Gulf
- Overeaters Annonymous: noon; Orange Beach

- Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play: double sessions, 8-11 and 11-2. \$3 per session, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores.
- Coping Conversations Grief Support Group: 9:30 a.m.; Nix Center, Fairhope, 251-626-5255 or 251-928-2835
- 8 Ball APA: 7:30; The Office, Foley.
- Marine Corps League of South Baldwin County: 6 p.m. on 4th Thursday; The Gulf Bowl, 2881 S. Jupiter St., Foley; current and former Marines and Corpsman welcome.
- Rotary Club of Gulf Shores/Orange Beach: noon; Gulf Shores Golf Club; visiting Rotarians and guests invited; 251-968-2000.
- Gulf Shores United Methodist Church Bread Ministry: 9-10; every Thursday; room 103 on the south campus, next to Crossroad; 251 968-2411.
- 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.
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Dr. McCollough's "The Gift You Give Yourself" set for May release

As a renowned facial plastic surgeon, Gulf Shores based Dr. McCollough created a successful, unique plan to allow everyone to feel beautiful and healthy inside and out. And he

contiues to put that plan in writing. His newest book, The Gift You Give Yourself (to be released by Brown Books Publishing Group

on May 5, 2020) is a guide to help people navigate the overwhelming world of beauty, skin, and health care. Dr. McCollough's holistic

approach will help people find their path to better health and confidence be-

cause beauty is deeper than surface appearances. He walks readers through popular cosmetic surgical procedures, skin care regiments, diet, and nutrition guidelines, providing them ways to develop well-rounded, personalized goals.

In addition to revealing plastic surgery secrets, Dr. McCollough explains why and how a full body transformation helps people achieve their beauty and health goals. Not only will he tell how to achieve them but also how to maintain them for years to come. He wants to help everyone feel comfortable in their skin so that they can go out into the world and conquer life.

"You have within you, the resources to become the shining example of humanity you were created to be," Dr. McCollough argues, and The Give You Give Yourself can help people learn how to use those resources to mold themselves into the person they have always wanted and can be. For more information, visit McColloughPlasticSurgery.com.

Dr. McCollough is an internationally recognized and board-certified surgeon and teacher. and founder of the McCollough Institute for Appearance and Health in Gulf Shores. He has been recognized as one of the preeminent doctors in America and co-authored three major textbooks on facial and nasal plastic surgery and written more than a dozen books in total. He has traveled worldwide, conducting educational seminars. Dr. McCollough is an avid supporter of the University of Alabama, where he was a star player under Bear Bryant, centering for Joe Namath.

He has served in the university president's cabinet and is an active participant in the Alabama Family Alliance. Dr. McCollough and his wife, Susan, live in Gulf Shores. They have two grown children and four grandchildren.

Q & A with Dr. McCollough

You mention the importance of maintaining a healthy weight in order to maximize your life potential. Why do you believe fad and "quick fix" diets fail to provide long term healthy weight

The data shows that 90% of individuals who lose weight on a named diet program gain it all back plus some. The only way to lose weight—and keep it off—is through engaging the mental element of the mind, body, spirit triad. The committed weight-management individual has to create—within their mind—a new attitude toward food. In The Gift You Give Yourself, the author shares his own story as to how, as an overweight teenager, he created a self-styled method of maintaining a healthier and more appealing weight for the next sixty years.

What do you believe is the number one thing a person can do to maintain more vibrant and youthful

The data collected from decades of research is irrefutable. Avoidance of excessive sun and wind exposure is the number one secret to maintaining healthier, more youthful skin well into the latter years of life. When properly applied, sunscreen protection allows more hours in the sun than when not used. In the author's opinion, the "Moisturizer Factor" is greatly exaggerated. And when it comes to the physical signs that accompany the aging process—stress cannot be overemphasized. In The Gift You Give Yourself, I call upon readers to compare photographs of U.S. Presidents after four years in office. They appear to have aged ten years during a four year term. At the end of eight years, they appear twenty years older than when inaugurated. The take-away message

is this: While scientific and pharmaceutical grade products can assist in maintaining a more youthful appearance and body, the secret to looking one's best throughout the years one lives, lies deeply within their mind... and the decisions they choose to make. The Gift You Give Yourself is designed to assist readers in choosing decisions that enhance self-confidence and place them ahead of the pack in the jungle of competition, in which they must not only survive...but prosper.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING



St. Athanasios Greek Night Celebration raises CSC funds

St. Athanasios Greek Orthodox Church, Gulf Shores, held a festive Greek Night at the Orange Beach Event Center on Saturday, November 16. Everyone enjoyed a delicious Greek meal and joyful dancing which included both adults and children. A portion of the proceeds were given to the Christian Service Center. The Center is thankful for the blessing which will be used to assist local families in need of a "Hand Up" rather than a "Hand Out." Clients are given immediate emergency aid as well as guidance on finding solutions to their problems. The volunteer agency funded by the churches of Pleasure Island, various community organizations and interested individuals. More info: 251-968-5256, email cscenter1991@gmail. com, or visit cscgs.com. Pictured: Father Sasa Turkic and Rod Chappelle,

Bama Pickleball Clinic Jan. 31 in Gulf Shores

Bama Beach Pickleball Club will sponsor a clinic at The Church of Christ in Gulf Shores on January 31 from 2 to 4:30pm. The Church is located at 2414 West 1st Street in Gulf Shores. These clinics are for new players or for those who have played maybe once or twice. You will learn the basics of the game and we expect after two clinics, you'll be on your way to being a regular player at the many indoor and outdoor venues in Baldwin County. Only three things are needed: 1/call or email Sam Strite 965-5122 or samcstrite@gmail.com to reserve your spot, 2/ come to the Church wearing comfortable playing clothes and tennis shoes and 3/ bring \$3 per person. Paddles and balls will be available.

Food & wine pairing class Feb. 6 at Fisher's in Orange Beach

A food & wine pairing class featuring sommelier Sara Kavanaugh and Fisher's Executive Chef Bill Briand on Thursday, February 6 at 6 p.m. The class will begin with passed appetizers and sparkling wine, followed by a four course meal prepared by Executive Chef Bill. Sara will walk you through each course that will be paired with two different wines, while discussing the textures and flavor profiles that the wines have. You will learn how and why each wines profile has a different effect on each dish due to acidity, weight, structure, mouth feel, and age that a wine can showcase. Tickets are \$80 per person and space is limited. Fisher's is located at 27075 Marina Rd. in Orange Beach. For more info, call 251-981-7308 or visit fishersobm.com.

Grief support group will meet Wednesdays for 13 weeks in Foley

Peace Lutheran Church will sponsor a 13 week Grief Share support group on Wednesdays beginning February 5 at the Foley Library, located at 319 E Laurel St. The group will meet from 10-11:30 a.m. for 13 consecutive weeks. All are welcome.

Gulf Shores Garden Club invites students to apply for scholarship

By Sue Foskett

As members of the Gulf Shores Garden Club, we would like to award a \$1,000 scholarship to a 2020 graduating senior of the Gulf Shores High School. We also want to include a scholarship to a former Gulf Shores High School student currently enrolled in a community college or university. These students will need to be enrolled in a higher learning institution in the fall of 2020; and pursuing a career in one of the following studies: horticulture, agronomy, agriculture education, floriculture, urban and rural planning, botany, floral or landscape design, ecology, forestry, wild life science, biology, plant pathology, turf management, environmental concerns or conservation, land management or any related fields of study. Our requirements and application can be obtained through the counselor's office at Gulf Shores High School, The Gulf Shores Garden Club website or one of the following members of the Gulf Shores Garden Club; Sue Foskett or Diane Farnham. The deadline for the application is April 17, 2020. Contact information: foskettsue@gmail.com or dhfarnham54@gmail. com.



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FRI, JAN 31

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

- Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play: 9-noon; \$3, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores. • Escambia County Christian School
- Escambia County Christian School Chili Cook-Off: 5-7 p.m.; Pensacola.
 Ed David Anderson: 6 p.m.; Big Beach
- Brewery; Gulf Shores.

 Adam & Julian Holt: 5; Lucy Buffett's
- Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- Rib Eye Dinner to help Veterans and Families: 5 p.m.; music & dancing at 7

Beach.
• Touch of Class: 6; Papa Rocco's; Gulf

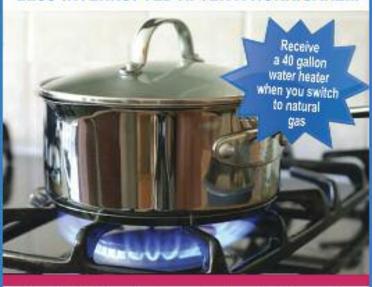
p.m.; American Legion Post 44; Gulf

Wharp Speed Sulu: 7; The Office, Foley.

• Woody & Curtis: 6; Ole Franco's; Orange

- Live Bluegrass Music Night w. Hillspring Drive: 7-9.p.m.; Wales West RV Park; Silverhill.
- False Identity: 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- Roger & Elaine: 7; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke: 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach. • Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange
- Karaoke: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- Open Jam: 8. American Legion Post

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Spring season at Blue Moon Farm starts Feb. 16

Music series on Cathe Steele's Silverhill farm has dedicated following

The spring Sunday afternoon concert series at The Frog Pond at Blue Moon Farm starts Feb. 18 at Cathe Steele's family farm in Silverhill. Part of the Folk Alliance, series' has a dedicated local

"Everyone that came with had the best time. I have not stopped raving to everyone I see how special and great your place is. I can't wait to come back."

following that appreciates original songs played in the round, usually with four songwriters taking turns and Corky Hughes handling the side parts. Set on an outdoor stage under a 200 year old cedar tree, the concerts are usually cohosted by Steele's songwriter friend and fellow Fairhopian Grayson Capps in a setting that is informal but respectful. The focus is firmly on the music and there is a palpable community built each Sunday between the artists and listeners. A bring-your-best pot luck is a huge part of the experience.

"Artists have the opportunity to play with others that they would not normally have the opportunity to perform

with. They share fan bases & introduce their music to new ears." Patrons bring their own chairs and beverages and securing an invite is as easy as making contact beforehand through the frogpondatbluemoonfarm.com or facebook. All proceeds from the concerts go to the performing songwriters.

Spring Frog Pond Schedule

Sunday Feb. 16 – 2pm • Seat Donation – \$30

Home Grown Sunday: Featuring Grayson Capps, Molly Thomas, Rvan Balthrop, Suzanne Schmitt, Jerry Trapp, Robbie Fleming, Rick Whaley, Jimmy Lumpkin, Kelly Poole, Corky Hughes, Jon Cook, Jay Megginson and more!!

Sunday Feb. 23 – 2pm • Seat Donation – \$35

Will Kimbrough, Cary Morin, Eric Erdman, Edward David Anderson; Opening With The Krickets.

Sunday March 8 – 3pm • Seat Donation – \$35

Grayson Capps, Jeff Mosier, Alvin Youngblood Hart, Nikki Talley. On the Side: Corky Hughes, Jason Sharp.

Sunday March 22-3pm • Seat Donation - \$35

Lisa Mills Birthday: Lisa Mills, Grayson Capps, Bill Kirchen & other guests to be announced. On the side: Corky Hughes on guitar, lap steel & bass. Opening: Symone French w. Paul McDonald on guitar.

Sunday April 5 – 3pm • Seat Donation – \$35

Grayson Capps, Sugarcane Jane & guests to e announced,

Sunday April 19 – 3pm • Seat Donation – \$35

Grayson Capps, Sugarcane Jane & guests to e announced, Grayson Capps, Will Kimbrough; On the side.. Corky Hughes & guests to be announced.

Tickets on sale for FWC March 18 Mad Hatters

By Barbara McCamish

The theme for the Foley Woman's Club's March 18 Mad Hatters' event is World of Books. Tables will be decorated with different book themes. The Foley Woman's Club has held the Mad Hatters' event every year since 2006 and has raised over \$175,000 since that time. All monies raised stay in Baldwin County and go to organizations that help women and children.

The event includes a lite lunch, fashion show, silent auction, raffles, entertainment, a Pot of Gold drawing and of course, the famous hat contest and parade! Hat contest categories will be: Most Creative Theme, Wackiest, and Most Glamorous. Tickets are on sale now and are \$25. Contact Sylvia Womack at 251-955-5294 or Kelly Barrett at 251-609-9778 or go by Checkouts store in Foley. You don't want to miss this fun

event. Get your tickets now. Pictured: Barbara McCamish working on her "Cat In The Hat"

table decorations!

Thursday evening lectures at Orange Beach Library

The Orange Beach Public Library is hosting its Winter Lecture Series each Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Senior Center through February. Lectures include: January 30 - Author Frank Kelso speaks about his new Western novel; Feb. 6 - The Battle of Mobile Bay with Paul Brueske; Feb. 13 - Erin Hussey's night of Dulcimer music: Feb. 23 - Nat King Cole Jazz Lecture with Daphne Simpkins.

 Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play: double sessions, 8-11 and 11-2. \$3 per session, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st

• Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and

• Bingo: 5:30; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{SAT, FEB 1} \\ \bullet \ \textbf{Opera "Porgy and Bess" by the Gersh-} \end{array}$ wins: 11:55 a.m; in high definition from The Metropolitan Opera, Cobb Pinnacle 14; Gulf Shores.

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

Perdido Key.

• SBCT 2020 Climbing the Ladder Gala: 6; South Baldwin Community Theater;

• Augie Savage, John Joiner & Darrel Roberts: 6; Ole Franco's; Orange Beach.

• Touch of Class: 6; Papa Rocco's; Gulf

• Jason Abel Project: 9; The Office, Foley. • Open Jam: 8; American Legion Post

199; Fairhope • Cornhole Tourney: 10 a.m.; American

Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.

• Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange

Boukou Groove: 7; Hub Stacy's; Inner-

arity Point.

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

• Brandon Styles Trip Down Memory Lane Dinner Show: 5:30; OWA, Foley.

SUN, FEB 2
• 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. "Souper Bowl" Pot Luck Dinner: noon; South Baldwin Christian Church; Disciples of Christ; Foley, 256-541-5082.

Mike Diamond: noon; The Tin Top; Bon

 Skins Game: 1 p.m.; Orange Beach Golf Center; public is welcome; lots of prizes.

Lisa Christian: noon; Tacky Jacks, Gulf

• Adam Tyler Brown: 5; The Captains

Galley, Bon Secour.
• Danny Grady: 2 p.m.; Fraternal Order of Eagles #4549, Gulf Shores.

• 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 Per

dido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.

• Turkey Shoot: sign-up at 11 a.m.; El-

berta VFW, Elberta.

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

9 Ball APA: 6; The Office, Foley.

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• December of '63: 7; Erie Meyer Civic

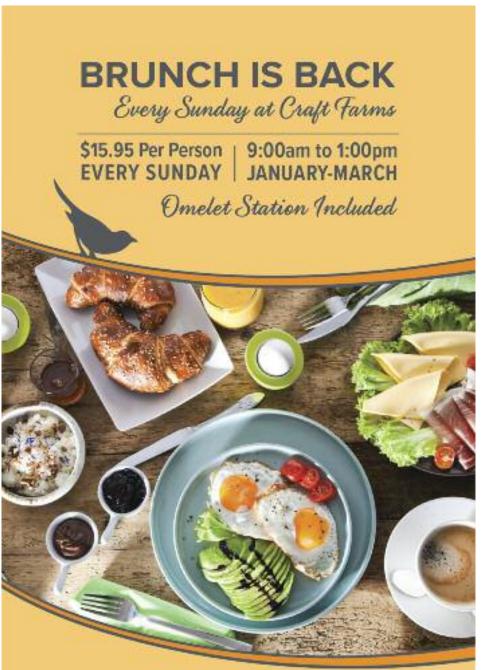
Center, Gulf Shores. • Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 2 p.m.

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



AL ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENTS AWARD TO OBES: Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall made a stop at Orange Beach Elementary School on Jan. 27 to present the school its 2019 Alabama Safe Schools Initiative Award of Excellence (South Region). Orange Beach Elementary has earned the award six out of the last seven years, more than any other school in Alabama. Pictured: Joining Principal Ryan Moss, Baldwin County Public Schools Superintendent Eddie Tyler and his staff for the recognition were City Council members, Orange Beach Police Department personnel and other city staff.

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HAT'S HAPPENING

City of Fairhope Celebrates Arbor Day Feb. 8

On Saturday, February 8 at 10 a.m. the City of Fairhope will host their Annual Arbor Day Celebration at Coastal Alabama Community College at 10 a.m. under the Live Oak on Bancroft at the John Borom Science Building. The Wisteria Garden Club, Boy Scout Troop #47 and local master gardeners will be assisting with the tree seedling give away, set to begin after the ceremony and will continue until noon. Seedlings available this year will include the following: Sweetshrub, Mockernut Hickory, Fringetree, Dogwood, Southern Redcedar, Longleaf Pine, Hoptree, Post Oak, Pondcypress and Chinese Pistache. For information on the Arbor Day Festivities, call 929-1466.

- Flora-Bama Bingo: free; 1-4 p.m.; great prizes, family friendly; 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key.
- Wacky Winter Fun: 10 a.m.; Art al Fresco-TJ Shirt-Hobo Bags, Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Brent Burns: 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's;
- Danny Grady: 3:30; Papa 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
- Geeks Who Drink Trivia: 7; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.

 • Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open
- Play: double sessions, 8-11 and 11-2. \$3 per session, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st

- Bingo 6 p.m.; 45 Restaurant & Bar at One Club, Gulf Shores.
- Bridge: noon; American Legion Post 44,
- Bingo: 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf
- 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 Presbyte-

rian Church of Foley; (Berry & Highway

- TUE, FEB 4
 December of 63: 7; Erie Meyer Civic Center, Gulf Shores.
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- Wacky Winter Fun Art el Fresco: 10 a.m.; Driftwood & Shell Windchimes; Tacky Jacks; Orange Beach.
- Greg Brown: noon; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Ft. Morgan.
- Matt Erdman: 5; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Ft. Morgan.
- Karaoke: 8; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Ft. Morgan.
- John Brust: 6; The Lobby Bar at Per-

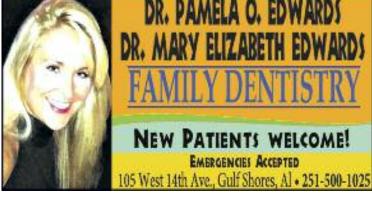
Orange Beach spring sports registration ends Feb. 7

Orange Beach youth baseball, softball T-ball and tiny T-ball registration continues until February 7. Information is available at orangebeachal.gov. A new online registration system - ActiveNet - will be used for all sports registrations and each parent/guardian will need to create an account. Registration details, by age, are as follows: Tiny T-Ball: - Age 4 on May 1st, 2020 - \$75 Registration; T-Ball - Ages 5-6 on May 1st, 2020 - \$75 Registration; Baseball - Ages 7-14 on May 1st, 2020 - \$85 Registration; Softball - Ages 7-16 on December 31st, 2019 - \$85 Registration, Practices will start in mid February and Opening Day is Saturday, March 21.

Anyone interested in coaching a team must fill out a coaches' form online before being considered. Coaching spots will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. The form is available on the City website.

More info: 251-747-7877.

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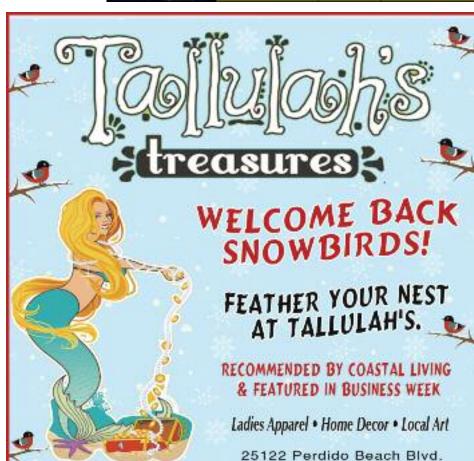


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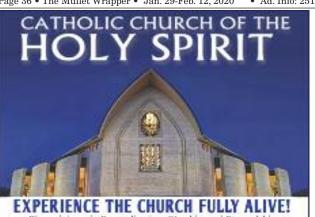


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What's \mathbf{H} appening

Ballyhoo Fine Arts Fest adds day, moves to shores of Lake Shelby

March 7-8 celebration of fine art & culture will include banjo & fiddle competition

More than 60 artists from Alabama and surrounding states will feature their fine art work at the Ballyhoo Fine Arts Festival, March 7-8, in Gulf Shores at the Gulf State Park just across from the beautiful Gulf of Mexico. Artists will showcase a variety of work ranging from handcrafted jewelry, woodwork, acrylic, pastel, watercolor and oil paintings, metal art, and pottery. Ballyhoo is presented by the Gulf Coast Arts Alliance, a non-profit entity in Gulf Shores. Ballyhoo has expanded into a two day event and will feature a celebration of culture with performances by the Poarch Creek Indians and a Fiddle and Banjo Competition presented in partnership with Flora-Bama and the Frank Brown International Songwriters Festival. There will be local entertainment, delicious food, and an assortment of arts and crafts vendors. Ballyhoo is a juried event and will offer over \$2,500 in prizes. The event will take place March 7 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will continue March 8 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Gulf State Park, 20115 State Hwy. 135 in Gulf Shores. There is no admission fee. Shuttles will be available from the Gulf State Pier.

Ballyhoo for Children and Families

The Ballyhoo Fine Arts Festival is a fun-filled event for the whole family. The Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo will have exotic animals onsite providing a wonderful learning experience for children and adults. Children's Art Tents will offer hands-on experience allowing children to let their creativ-

Cultural Exchange with Poarch Creek Indians

The Ballyhoo Festival will feature original tribal dance by the Poarch Creek Indians from Poarch, Alabama. The Poarch Band of Creek Indians are descendents of a segment of the original Creek Nation, which once covered all of Alabama and Georgia. Unlike many southeastern Indian tribes, the Poarch Creeks were not removed from their tribal lands, and have lived together for over 150 years. The Poarch are the only federally recognized tribe in the State of Alabama. They will provide historical narrative and will perform original tribal dance in ceremonial regalia. Their performances will be at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on March 7 at the Ballyhoo Festival.

Ballyhoo Fiddle and Banjo Competition

The Ballyhoo Fine Arts Festival is enhancing the offering of cultural exchange by adding an early Americana flare to the festival. Ballyhoo has partnered with Flora-Bama and the Frank Brown International Songwriters Festival to present a Fiddle and Banjo Competition on Sunday, March 8 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and \$1,500 in cash prizes will be awarded. Free applications can be found at ballyhoofestival.org or at Flora-Bama, 17401 Perdido Key Dr, Pensacola, FL 32507.

dido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.

- Lisa Christian: 6; Sunset Cork Room,
- 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
- Karaoke Dance Party w. Kelly: 8; The Sandshaker, The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- Our Coffee Jam Night: 6 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Co.; Gulf Shores.

 • JW Karaoke: 6; Hub Stacy's At The
- Point, Innerarity Point. NAPA Pool League: 7:30; The Office,
- Karaoke: 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope
- Trivia Night: 6; 45 Restaurant & Bar at
- One Club, Gulf Shores. • Karaoke: 5; Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Post 5659; Elberta. • Bingo: 7 p.m.; American Legion Post 99;
- Karaoke: 6; Bier Shack Tap Room; Foley.
- Brandon Styles Trip Down Memory
- Lane Dinner Show: 5:30; OWA, Foley. • Free Line Dance Lessons With Lori: 6;
- American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores. • Bowling Tourney: 7; Snapper's; Orange
- Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open

Play: double sessions, 8-11 and 11-2. \$3 per session, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores

- GriefShare Support Group: 6-7:30pm, Point Church, 13801 Innerarity Rd., 601-
 - 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.

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- Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 2 p.m. til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- Winter Wednesdays at Bellingrath Gardens Winter Garden Walk: 10 a.m.; Theodore, (251) 973-2217.
- Snowbird Appreciation Southern BBQ: 5; Alabama Gulf Coast Music Hall; Foley. Flora-Bama Welcome Wedneday
- Potluck: 11-4 p.m.; Flora-Bama Loung Tent Stage; Perdido Key.

 Open Mic: 7; Tacky Jack's, Fort Morgan.

 Tacky Jacks, Gulf
- Bingo Night: 6; Tacky Jacks, Orange
- Elaine Petty: noon; Sassy Bass Amazin
- Grill; Ft. Morgan.

Artificial reef created from Alabama Power boilers is teeming with life in Gulf of Mexico

By Justin Averette, Alabama News Center

An artificial reef created in the Gulf of Mexico four years ago by Alabama Power and multiple partners appears to be teeming with life. In 2016, two of Alabama Power's retired boilers were sunk off the coast of Mobile Pass to improve the marine ecosystem. The giant steel structures previously used to turn steam into power have also proven to be a boon for offshore an-

"We put the reef down in the water that day, and it looks like you are just putting in something not useful and, now to see it flourish as a fish habitat and all the wildlife that's there, it's actually exciting," said Susan Comensky, Alabama Power vice president for Environmental Affairs. "It's a great success, and we are so grateful for what everybody brought to the table to

For decades, thousands of man-made objects, like old ships and concrete bridge rubble, have been sunk off the Alabama coastline. The 200,000-pound boilers were sunk from a barge donated by Cooper/T. Smith Corp., a marine transportation firm headquartered in Mobile.

The state's artificial reef zone stretches almost from Florida to Mississippi and out 60 miles from shore. The result is one of the country's best places for offshore fishing.

We have several thousand (artificial) reefs off the coast of Alabama, and we have the biggest and best red snapper fishery in the world," said Chris Blankenship, Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources commissioner. "We have built an incredible fishery off the coast of Alabama that is really unrivaled anywhere in the Gulf of Mexico or, really, in the

The reefs have been a boon for the fish and the state's econ-

"Every weekend that the red snapper fishery is open, as well as amberjack, gray triggerfish, vermillion snapper, there are people with thousands of boats that buy gas and bait and stay in hotel rooms. All of that adds to quite a big economic impact for the coastal areas of our state," Blankenship said.

However, it's not just anglers that are drawn to the reefs.

"A wide range of user groups can benefit from this reef - recreational anglers, commercial anglers and any kind of ecotourism, things like scuba divers and underwater photography," said Craig Newton, biologist with the Alabama Marine Resources Division.

The project is an example of what can be done when people work together for a common cause, planners say.

"What it does is allows all of us to maximize our resources to accomplish great things and do so in a way that our members and the people of Alabama can benefit," said Tim Gothard, executive director of the Alabama Wildlife Federation.

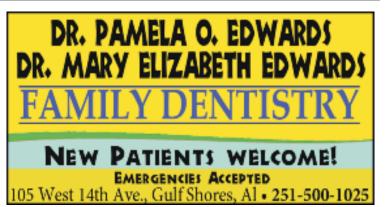
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WHAT'S HAPPENING

COOKIN' WITH CAROLYN BY CAROLYN GODFREY

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1 Tbsp. olive oil

1/2 lb. spicy Italian sausage

4 cloves garlic, minced

1 (28-oz.) can low-sodium crushed tomatoes

1/2 tsp. salt

1 lb. penne pasta

1/2 cup whipping cream

2 Tbsp. vodka

1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

Heat oil in a large, deep skillet over medium heat. Add sausage; cook, stirring and breaking up lumps, until browned, about 5 minutes. Stir in garlic; cook 1 min. Stir in tomatoes and salt, then bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer, uncovered and stirring occasionally, 15 min. Meanwhile, cook pasta according to package directions; drain. Stir cream and vodka into skillet and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and add pasta, stirring until well coated. Stir in parsley.

Enjoy!





Musicians For Autism March 21 at Oasis Resort at The Wharf

The Oasis Resort at The Wharf will be open to the public during the 7th Annual Musicians For Autism Festival in Orange Beach on Saturday March 21 from 10 a.m. 'til 9 p.m. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 10 and under.

The event, held to raise autism awareness, includes live music from at least 10 bands, a silent auction, raffles, great food and family activities, all in support of autism spectrum disorder families in Alabama. The sandy beaches, lazy river, wave pool, hot tub and volleyball courts will also be open to attendees during the event. Sassy Bass Cafe at The Oasis will donate 50 percent of all food entree sales in support, and musicians are donating their time for the cause.

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



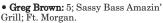
GSGC LIFETIME MEMBERS: Gulf Shores Garden Club President Diane Farnham presented Wanda Cheek, Eileen Guilding, Pat Famoso, & Ale Falconer (not pictured) with lifetime memberships to The Garden Club of Alabama at the GSGC's January meeting. The memberships help fund GCA Scholarships for deserving young men and womenwho will be the state's future horticulturists, landscape designers and foresters.



HOLY SMOKES! GREAT DAY AT G.S. FIRST PRESBYTERIAN: What a great day it was last Saturday at Gulf Shores First Presbyterian when folks from north and south reunited to enjoy the church's annual BBQ & Veggie Gumbo event - all the while listening to the terrific sounds of Kayla Dowling. Pictured above arejust some of her fan club members, showing their delight in "raised lighter tribute. Other winter events taking place at First Pres. include a "true beginners" Drawing Class taught by Carol Edington on Mondays from Noon until 2 pm. Line Dancing classes are being offered by Jackie Clair on Monday and Friday mornings. On Tuesday afternoons at 2 pm, Retired Presbyterian ministers Jim Graham and Darrel Robertson are teaming up to lead an intriguing Bible Study series they are calling "Genesis: The Beginnings - A Fresh Perspective". The Gulf Coast Arts Alliance February Art Market will take place on Saturday, Feb. 8 at 9am. For more info. on these and other events, call 251-978-8130.



HOLY SPIRIT THRIFT SHOP SUPPORTS UNDER HIS WINGS: Holy Spirit Thrift Shop has awarded a \$5,000 grant to Under His Wings, a Baldwin County non-profit organization that provides a loving Christian home for at risk teenage girls and equips them with life skills. The grant is funded by thrift shop sales. The grant will support trust-based relational intervention trauma training for staff and volunteers, help cover cost of materials for crafts the girls make and sell, and will fund a portion of the operating costs for a full-time teacher and two full-time house parents. The shop is a ministry of Holy Spirit Episcopal Church in Gulf Shores. More information is available at holyspiritep.com or 251-968-5988.



- Karaoke: 8; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill;
- John Brust: 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
 Ken Mathews: 6; The Tin Top Restau-
- Ken Mathews: 6; The Tin Top Restaurant, Bon Seour.
- Danny Grady: 3:30; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- John Joiner & Friends: 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- West Coast Swing Dance: 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
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- Bingo: 10 a.m.; American Legion Post





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

• Grief Share Support Group: 10-11 a.m.;

Foley Library; all are welcome. • Euchre 6; American Legion Post 99;

 Karaoke w. Cindy & Mary: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley. Karaoke: 6; American Legion Post 44,

Gulf Shores. • Karaoke: 9; The Undertow; Orange

Beach. Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play: double sessions, 8-11 and 11-2. \$3

per session, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores. • Karaoke: 7; 45 Restaurant & Bar at

One Club, Gulf Shores. • Big Beach Running & Social Club: 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores;

lafleetfeet.com. • Senior Line Dance Classes: 11:45 a.m. -

Beginner; 12:30 p.m. - Improver; Foley Senior Center.

• Family Night Dinner & Activities: 5:45 p.m.; Saint Andrew by the Sea, 17263 Fort Morgan Rd., Gulf Shores; 678-361-

• Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West

• Veteran's Bingo: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; American Legion Post 99, Foley. • Prayer Shawl Ministry: Noon; Perdido

Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pen-• Food Ministry For Hungry Families:

noon-1 p.m.; Grace Lutheran Church, corner of West 23rd Ave. and West 4th St. in Gulf Shores; 251-968-5991. • Arts & Crafts Sales: 10:30 a.m.-12:30

p.m.; Doc's RV Park, Fort Morgan Road, Gulf Shores

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

• Food Bank: 9 - 11 a.m every Wednes-

day, Perdido Bay Baptist Church, 12600 Sorrento Rd. Pensacola; call for eligiblity requirements at (850) 492-2604.

• Perdido Key Rotary Club: 7:30 a.m.; every Wednesday at United Methodist Church Activity Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Road, Pensacola.

• Storytime at Pensacola Southwest Branch Library: free; infant to 5; 10:30-11; 1-2238 Old Gulf Beach Hwy;

• Gulf Shores Garden Club: 10 a.m.; first Wednesday of each month September thru May; Gulf Shores Activity Center; 300 E. 16th Avenue, Gulf Shores; new members and guests always welcome; 251-968-5683.

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

• AA: 7:30 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

• Bingo: 10 a.m.; American Legion Post

• Steak Night followed by music w. Bruni: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.

THU, FEB 6

• Alabama Lifestyles Expo: 9-3; Orange Beach Event Center at The Wharf; Orange Beach, 800-235-4757

 Food and Wine Pairing Class: Fisher's at Orange Beach Marina; Orange Beach.

• Voices of Mobile: 6; Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach; 26389 Canal Rd. (251)

• Valentine's Dance & Chocolate Affair: For 55 and over couples; Erie Meyer Civic Center; Gulf Shores.

• 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.

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

• Karaoke: 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan. • Tim Roberts: 6; Tin Top Restaurant; Bon Secour.

• Karaoke/DJ Party: 8; The Sandshaker; The Wharf in Orange Beach. • Karaoke: 6; Fraternal Order of Eagles

#4549, Gulf Shores. • Open Mic: 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.

• Trivia Factory: 7; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach

• LeaAnn Creswell & Lisa Zanghi: 6; Ole Franco's; Orange Beach.

• Scott Koehn: 5:30; Pleasure Island Tiki Bar, Orange Beach.

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

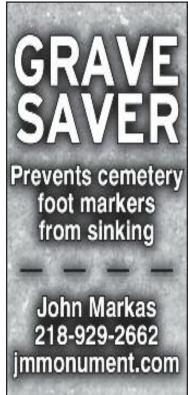
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• Karaoke: 7; Śassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Ft.

• Karaoke: 9; The Undertow; Orange

• Greg Lyon: 6; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity

• Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play: double sessions, 8-11 and 11-2. \$3 per session, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st



Our Lady of the Gulf Annual Bake Sale & More slated Feb. 8

The Altar Rosary Society of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church will hold its Annual Bake Sale and More on February 8. The sale will be from 8 am until 2 pm and will feature a wide variety of homemade baked goods, quiche, chili and homemade soups. Additionally there will be a large arts and crafts sale. The Youth Group will also be having a yard sale in the youth building adjacent to the church. There is also a basket raffle featuring a gift certificate basket, a money basket and a spa basket. The sale will be in the Parish Hall located at 308 22nd Avenue.

Leap Day beach campout planned at Gulf State Park Pavilion

Come and camp under the stars with your family & friends at Gulf State Park's Leap Day Beach Campout at the park's beach pavilion. Request a info/reservation package by sending an email to GulfEvents.StatePark@dcnr.alabama.gov Cost is \$35 for 4 people and \$5 for each additional person (reservation fee is non-refundable.) Beach Burro Valet Services will be available to help bring your supplies out onto the beach for a small fee. Check-in at 2 p.m. and check out at 9 a.m. the following day.

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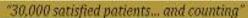
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What's Happening

Oprah Magazine lists Perdido Key among "60 Charming American towns"

An article in O Magazine — Oprah Winfrey's publication - has named Perdido Key one of its "60 charming American towns you haven't heard of, but should visit ASAP."

Perdido Key is ranked 13th on the list and is one of three Florida locations mentioned along with Stuart (no. 6) and Cedar Key (no. 35).

Editors of the magazine's February issue invite readers to "hit the roads less traveled" with their pick of 60 low-key cities.

The O Magazine staff writes: "In this town, you can skip the touristy parts of the state and relax by the (much less crowded) beach. With fishing, boating, snorkeling, multiple golf courses, and more, there's a little something for everyone.

Ranked ahead of Perdido Key were: Skaneateles, New York; Cottage Grove, Oregon; Springdale, Utah; Hilo, Hawaii; Kernville, California; Stuart; Charlevoix, Michigan; Black Mountain, North Carolina; Leavenworth, Washington; and Harpers Ferry, West Virginia. O Magazine was founded by its namesake - talk show host and media mogul Oprah Winfrey - in 2000. For more O magazine features, including the Visit ASAP list, go to oprahmag.com.

AARP is offering free Tax Aide in Robertsdale, Fairhope and Orange Beach

Beginning Feb. 3, AARP Tax-Aide – Baldwin County is available to help elderly and low to moderate income Baldwin County households file their federal & state income taxes through April 15 in Robertsdale, Fairhope and Orange Beach. Last year, volunteers helped over 1,600 realize more than \$1.3M in refunds and refundable credits. Thanks to support from AARP and the IRS, the service is free of charge. we're here to serve you free-of charge.

Locations are: Fairhope: Baldwin Cnty Satellite Courthouse; 1100 Fairhope Ave; (251) 279-0251; fairhope@taxaide.net 1st come, 1st served; Mon., Tues. & Wed. 8:00 am-2:00 pm. Orange Beach: Senior Center; 26251 Canal Rd.; (251) 981-3440; Tuesdays & Fridays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm; Appointments only (251) 981-3440. Robertsdale: Council on Aging; 22251 Palmer St.; (251) 972-8506; Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:00 am-12:00 pm; Appointments only (251) 972-8506.

Coastal Chorale rehearsals begin Jan. 25 in P-Cola (no auditions necessary)

Love to sing? Gulf Coast Chorale is beginning their rehearsals for the spring season. Introduction to the show will be held Saturday, January 25th at Gadsden Street Methodist Church located at 901 E Gadsden Street in Pensacola from 10 a.m. 'til 2 p.m. A light lunch will be served. No auditions are required, just a love of singing with a great civic chorus. Regular rehearsals are held on

Thursday evenings beginning January 30 at 6:30 p.m. at this same location and the spring performance date is April 24. Let your voice be heard. Openings available in all sections. For more information check out our facebook page or at gulfcoastchorale.org.



CHRISTIAN WOMEN: From left, Brenda Rogers, Joan Moore and Dellana Watts participated in the recent South Baldwin Christian Women's Connection. The group meets monthly for a buffet luncheon. More info: email emuddconnelly@gmail.com or call 251-943-7142.



CHRISTIAN WOMEN: Stephen and Vivian Hanich were recently presented the Orange Beach Mayor's Distinguished Service Award for Helping Hands Ministry. Their charity served and delivered 599 meals on Christmas Day. It was Steven and Vivian's 12th year organizing the event. Volunteers delivered 271 full meals to the jails in Orange Beach and Gulf Shores, local police departments, the Foley Beach Express toll booth, local fire departments, those working that day and anybody else they thought would appreciate the kindness. In addition, over 300 people enjoyed Christmas dinner at the Orange Beach Community Center.

- Overeaters Annonymous: noon; Orange Beach Presbyterian Church.
- Coping Conversations Grief Support Group: 9:30 a.m.; Nix Center, Fairhope, 251-626-5255 or 251-928-2835.

• 8 Ball APA: 7:30; The Office, Foley. • Bridge: noon; American Legion Post 44,

• Rotary Club of Gulf Shores/Orange Beach: noon: Gulf Shores Golf Club: visiting Rotarians and guests invited; 251-968-2000

• Blind Draw Dart Tourney: 7, American Legion Post 99; Foley.

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

• Gulf Shores Library Pre-school (3-5) Story Time: 10:30 a.m.; 251-968-1176. • Orange Beach Bridge Club: Tue. & Thur at noon; Orange Beach Senior Center; visitors and new members welcomed even without a partner; 251-981-3440.

FRI, FEB 7

• Foley Library Annual Book Sale: 9 - 5; Foley Civic Center.

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

• Boukou Groove Duo: 6 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.

• Bo Grant: 6; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores • Live Bluegrass Music Night w. Blue Mullet: 7-9.p.m.; Wales West RV Park;

• Woody & Curtis: 6; Ole Franco's; Orange Beach.

• Danny Grady: 3:30; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores

• First Friday Art Walk: 6; Downtown

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

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

• Open Mic Karaoke: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.

• Karaoke: 8; Snapper's; Orange Beach. • Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange

• Open Jam in the Canteen: 8, American Legion Post 199; Fairhope. • Webb Dalton: 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity

Point.

 Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play: double sessions, 8-11 and 11-2. \$3 per session, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st

St., Gulf Shores. Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.: all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and

• Bingo: 5:30; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.

SAT, FEB 8

• Foley Library Annual Book Sale: 9 noon; Foley Civic Center.

 43rd Annual Tour of Homes: 9:30-4; sponsored by Gulf Shores Woman's Club; 251-554-4889.

• PLT Mardi Gras Flotilla: 10:30; watch from Sunset Grille at Holiday Harbor Marina; Perdido Bay Seafood Docks; Galvez Landing; Flora-Bama docks; 850-426-9242

• Snook Youth Club Mardi Gras Dance, Auction and Fundraiser: 7; Hotel Magno-

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

• Bob Gilary Memorial Bratfest: 10 a.m.,

Erie Meyer Civic Center, Gulf Shores. Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 2 p.m.

'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, • Bo Grant: 6; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores

Gear Head: 9; The Office, Foley.

 Light Travelers: 4; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.

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

 Augie Savage, John Joiner & Darrel Roberts: 6; Ole Franco's; Orange Beach.

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

• Karaoke: 10; The Undertow; Orange Beach Open Jam 8; American Legion Post 199;

Fairhope.c Mel Knapp: 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity

Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open

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

 Steak Night followed by music w. Bruni: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley. • Free 2nd Saturday Veterans Breakfast:

8:30-10 a.m.; American Legion Post 44; Gulf Shores. Brandon Styles Trip Down Memory

Lane Dinner Show: 5:30; OWA, Foley. Baldwin County Genealogical Society:

10 a.m.; public invited; Foley Library; 319 East Laurel Ave.

Optimist Club of Perdido Bay: break-





Orange Beach Elementary School Terrific Kids

Orange Beach Elementary School January PreK - 2nd Grade Kiwanis Terrific Kids: (left) Front Row - Delanie Kaiser, Kate Hampton, Elliot Brown, Camille Wilson, Grayce Hoven; Back Row - Carter Mills, Sam Watts, Ryker Blount, Lizzie Knight, Olive Miller. Orange Beach Elementary School January 3rd - 6th Grade Kiwanis Terrific Kids: (right) Front Row - Tyeler Achee, Maggie Walker, Alexa Havrilla, Laynie Plowman, Kaylin Stacks, Emily Perkinson; Back Row - Owen Goss, Luiz Duarte, Sierra Rayfield, William Woerner, Mary Rebecca Murphy, Price Stephens, Ella Bilbo, Tallon Orso, Atticus George, Cody Weidenbach, Jake Watts.



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Pink I CAN RUN

Pink I Can 4-Mile Breast Cancer Run & Walk Feb. 29 at Bama

The 7th Annual I Pink I Can Run 4 Mile Breast Cancer Run & Walk will be held on Saturday, Feb. 29 at the Flora-Bama Lounge at 9 a.m

Hosted by the Krewe du Ya Yas Keeping Abreast Foundation, the race will help with the hosts' mission to inspire hope and enhance life to those affected by breast cancer through early detection, advocacy, education and support services.

The race features a great after pary with food, fun, music and awards in the Flora-Bama Big Tent. Entry fee is \$30 for pre-registered participants and \$35 at packet pick-up and on race day. Participants that register by Jan. 31st are guaranteed a great tech shirt. Enter the code snowbird for \$5 off the registration rate thru Feb. 26.

Funds raised will offset housecleaning and medicine costs for those in recovery, assist the purchase of wigs and mastectomy bras and pay for mammograms for women who can't otherwise afford them. Race day registration and packet pick-up is from 7-8:30 a.m. To register, visit kreweduyayas.com or facebook or athlinks.com/event/i-pink-i-can-run.

Free memory loss testing offered Feb. 14 & Feb. 19

Free memory screenings and balance testing is being offered on Friday, Feb. 14 from 1-4 p.m. at the Orange Beach Senior Center (26251 Canal Rd.; Orange Beach) and Wednesday, Feb. 19 from noon - 3 p.m. at the Gulf Shores Cultural Center, Bldg. C (19470 Oak Rd.; Gulf Shores).

With the help and guidance of the Alzheimer's Foundation of America and the local support of GlenLakes Golf Club, the 60 volunteers who comprise the group offer these testing services to anyone who wishes to be tested.

In addition to holding scheduled screenings for locals and Snowbirds, the group will come to any organization which works with seniors to offer services. There is never a cost. For more information, contact Sam Strite, 251-965-5122 or email him at samcstrite@gmail.com.

Josephine Baptist Church Ladies Conference Feb. 8

"Laugh - Pray - Love" is the theme for the annual Josephine Baptist Church Ladies Conference on Saturday, Feb 8 from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Kay Dekalb Smith from Franklin, TN will be the guest speaker. Lunch will be provided by Sweet Southern Scratch. Register by Jan. 22 to be eligible for a special drawing. Mail the \$20 registration fee and info to Teresa Denney/JBC, P.O. Box 568, Elberta, AL 36530. Make checks to Josephine Baptist Church/For: Ladies Event. The conference will be held on the church's campus at 6854 County Road 95 in Josephine. For more info, call 251-987-1973 or 251-504-1973 or email denneysbend@gulftel.com. Sponsorships are available.

Ladies Conference committee members include Julie Adams, Teresa Denney, Brenda Fahey, Sherry Frank, Lauren Foley, Sandy Gould, JoAnn Lowrenz, Cherryl Hammock, Shelby McRae, Beth Mitchell, Renee Nelson, Miriam Sims, Beth Weed and Dawn Wilbanks.

fast every Saturday at 7 a.m. at the Lillian Community Club in Lillian; (251) 961-2620

SUN, FEB 9

- Centrál Flora-Bama Church: Church experiences, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Flora-Bama Tent Stage, Perdido Key.
- Unity Church Beach Service: 9:45 a.m.: The Royal Oyster, Gulf Shores
- Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama,
- Edward Ďavid Anderson: 6; Moe's BBQ; Orange Beach.
- Mel Knapp: noon; The Tin Top; Bon
- Steve Wilkerson: 6; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores • Greg Brown: 2; Sassy Bass Amazin'
- Grill; Ft. Morgan.
- Phil & Foster: 3.; Big Beach Brewery;

- Danny Grady: 2 p.m.; Fraternal Order of Eagles #4549, Gulf Shores.
- Fried Chicken Dinner Fundraiser: 11 a.m - 2 p.m.; Baldwin County's Camp
- Adam Tyler Brown: 5; The Captains Galley, Bon Secour. • Lisa Zanghi: 6; The Lobby Bar at Per-
- dido Beach Resort; Orange Beach. • Lisa Christian: noon; Tacky Jacks, Gulf
- Shores • Scott Koehn: 4; Pleasure Island Tiki Bar,
- Orange Beach. • Roger & Elaine: 5; American Legion
- Post 44, Gulf Shores. • Karaoke: 7; Live Bait Tiki Bar, Orange
- Beach. • John Joiner & Friends: 4; Hub Stacey's
- at the Point; Innerarity Point. • Jim McAdams: 5; American Legion Post
- 9 Ball APA: 6; The Office, Foley.
- AA: 5 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship

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

MON, FEB 10

- John Dávidson w. special guest Gail Farrell; 7; Erie Meyer Civic Center; Gulf
- 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.
- Wacky Winter Fun: 10 a.m.; Art al Fresco-Guitar String Jewelry, Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- Lisa Zanghi: 6; The Lobby Bar at Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Brent Burns: 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- Geeks who drink trivia Night: 7; Big Beach Brewing Company, Gulf Shores.
- Danny Grady: 3:30; Papa Rocco's; Gulf
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Hydroponic vegetable container farming Feb. 25 forum topic

By Mike Healy

The Local Food Production Initiative presents a forum titled Growing Vegetables Hydroponically In Repurposed Shipping Containers on Tuesday, February 25 beginning at 7 p.m. at the Fairhope Unitarian Fellowship, 1150 Fairhope Ave. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. Learn how new technologies can bring the farm to table distance ever closer. Speaker Dale Speetjens is co-founder and CEO of Shipshape Urban Farms, a Mobile-based agritech company focused on the design, manufacture, and operation of hydroponic farms built inside up-cycled shipping containers. The company's objective is to help alleviate food deserts by providing a safer, fresher, and more cost-effective food source.

Upon completion of the presentation, there will be a question and answer period. A \$5 donation at the door is suggested. For more info, visit fairhopelocalfood.org or call Mike Healy at 251-

504-1173 or Marilyn Mannhard at 251-978-9442.

Workshops will address starting business & google advertising

A free brown gag lunch & learn seminar titled "Starting a Business in 2020" will be held on Tuesday, April 7 at the Orange Beach Public Library at 26267 Canal Rd. from noon - 1 p.m.

The Orange Beach Public Library and the Alabama SBDC have joined forces to offer the seminar. Registration is preferred because space is limited. Register at asbdc.ecenterdirect.com. Yolanda Devine Johnson, business advisor with the Alabama SBDC Network and Baldwin Times Columnist will facilitate.

In addition, a free workshop titled Reach Customers Online with Google will be held on Feb. 12 from 9 - 11 a.m. at Baldwin Realtors, located at 23280 County Road 65 in Robertsdale. Topics include: Improving your website's visibility in Google's organic search results, on all devices; Creating a free Google My Business listing; dvertising your business on Google. For more info, call 205-613-0001.

Kids, vets, active military can hunt waterfowl in Alabama Feb. 8

The Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries (WFF) has designated Saturday, February 8 as Youth, Veteran and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunting Day. Youth under age 16 who are accompanied by a licensed adult hunter, military personnel on active duty and veterans may hunt for waterfowl statewide. Regular waterfowl season shooting hours, bag limits, legal arms and ammunitions apply. Hunting area rules

and regulations also apply.

To participate in the hunt, youth must be accompanied by a licensed adult supervisor. Only one firearm will be allowed per youth and only the youth hunters will be permitted to utilize the firearm for hunting unless the adult meets the requirements of a veteran or active duty military personnel. The adult supervisor must remain within arm's length of the youth at all times and may accompany up to two youth participants during the hunt. The adult is also expected to review the rules of firearm safety and hunter ethics with each youth and ensure they are followed.

Youth is defined as an individual age 15 years and younger. Adult is defined as an individual age 21 years and older, or as the parent of the youth. The adult must have a state hunting license, state and federal waterfowl stamp and a free Harvest Information Program registration. Veterans and active duty military personnel must be in possession of a valid proof of service such as a military ID, Veterans Administration ID, veteran ID, veteran validation on their driver's license or a copy of their DD Form 214. Possession of hunting licenses and stamps is also required.

For more information, contact WFF Migratory Gamebird Coordinator Seth Maddox at Seth.Maddox@dcnr.alabama.gov or 334-242-3469, or visit outdooralabama.com/waterfowl.

What's Happening

• **Bingo** 6 p.m.; 45 Restaurant & Bar at One Club, Gulf Shores.

Bridge: noon; American Legion Post 44,

• Bingo: 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf

 Mark Laborde & Smokey Otis: 7 p.m.; Papa Roccos, Gulf Shores

• Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open Play: double sessions, 8-11 and 11-2. \$3 per session, Church of Christ, 2414 W 1st St., Gulf Shores

 Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.

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

TUE, FEB 11

• Sex Pléase We're Sixty: 7:30 p.m.; South Baldwin Community Theatre; Gulf

• John Davidson w. special guest Gail Farrell; 7; Erie Meyer Civic Center; Gulf

• Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 3 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama,

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

• Wacky Winter Fun Art el Fresco: 10 a.m.; Create with Paint; Tacky Jacks; Orange Beach.

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

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

• Bingo: 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.

• Our Coffee Jam Night: 6 p.m.; Big Beach Brewing Co.; Gulf Shores.

• Karaoke: 7:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf

• Karaoke Dance Party w. Kelly: 8; The Sandshaker, The Wharf, Orange Beach. • Trivia Night: 6; 45 Restaurant & Bar at

One Club, Gulf Shores.

• GriefShare Support Group: 6-7:30pm, Point Church, 13801 Innerarity Rd., 601-

• Bowling Tourney: 7; Snapper's; Orange

Karaoke: 7; American Legion Post 199;

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

• Brandon Styles Trip Down Memory Lane Dinner Show: 5:30; OWA, Foley. JW Karaoke: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity

Point. • Lisa Christian: 6; Sunset Cork Room,

Gulf Shores • Karaoke: 6; Bier Shack Tap Room;

• Bama Beach Pickleball Club Open

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• Robertsdale Garden Club: 10 a.m., G P.Thames Senior Center, 22651 E. Chicago, St., Robertsdale; 251-947-5751 • Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon: 5 p.m.;

social meeting; locations to be determined, 850-867-5873 or 901-734-1066

• NAPA Pool League: 7:30; The Office,







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$\overline{f W}$ HAT'S $\overline{f H}$ APPENING

Local author Linda Spangrud schedules three book signings

Local author Linda B. Spangrud (pictured) will sign copies of her children's book Miss Ella and the Turtle during a 5-8 p.m. wine tasting on Jan. 30 at C'est Le Vin Wine Bar & Shop, lo-

cated 104 C. South OWA Blvd. in Foley.



The Iowa native will also sign copies at the Iowa Snowbird Breakfast at Perdido Beach Resort in Orange Beach on Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 8:30 a.m. and at the Tacky Jacks Gulf Shores Hands On Habitat event on Monday, Feb. 3 at 10 a.m.

The book is based on a true story of her volunteer work with the sea turtles and meeting Miss Ella. Her young readers will have the op-

portunity to learn about sea turtles through Miss Ella and to be

kind to people, especially older people.

"It is a children's picture story book about the protection, care, and conservation of sea turtles," she said. "Miss Ella learns a lot from the band of volunteers (Turtle People) who dedicate their time to protecting nest and eggs laid by a mother turtle on the beach."

The book is available locally in Orange Beach (Tacky Jacks, Wolf Bay Lodge, Cosmo's, Cobalt's, G.T.'s on the Bay, Fin & Fork), Gulf Shores (Tacky Jacks, DeSoto's Seafood Kitchen), Foley (Wolf Bay Lodge, Groovy Goat- OWA) and Pensacola (Wolf Bay Lodge). Follow her on Facebook.

Spangrud says she is overwhelmed by the response she has received across the nation. Local band, The Defrosters have written a song named after the book and have performed it at her

M.M. LeBlanc book signing at Artworks at Villagio on Feb. 2

Award winning author M.M. LeBlanc (pictured) will sign and read from her book, "Paradise Stolen", the third and final volume of an historical fiction series "Evangeline, the True Story of



the Cajuns" on Sunday, February 2 from 1-3 p.m. at Artworks Studio & Gallery at Villagio Town Centre, 13700 Perdido Key Dr, on Perdido Key. For more details contact Talis at 850-261-9617.

Winner of 6 book awards, this final volume in the thrilling saga of betrayal, intrigue, loss and hope, tells of the journey of the French Acadians and star-crossed lovers Evangeline and Gabriel. It follows them from France to

Acadia/Nova Scotia and to their exile throughout the Colonies, Europe and the Caribbean, ultimately reuniting in Louisiana. Separated and scattered to the winds in 1755, the lives and fates of ten families intertwine from King Louis XV and nobles to commoners in the exciting conclusion telling the true story of the Acadians, the ancestors of the Cajuns.

This book is based on the true story of the author's ancestors, including René Le Blanc, featured in the famous poem 'Evangeline, A Tale of Acadie' by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. M. M. Le Blanc is a multi-award-winning author of sixteen books of fiction and non-fiction and numerous award-winning screenplays. Her trilogy Evangeline: Paradise Stolen has won six book awards and was selected as an Official Gift Selection for VIP filmmakers at the Sundance International Film Festival. Her film, Cajun Renaissance Man, was an Official Selection at international film festivals in Cannes, Montreal, New York, New Orleans, Chicago and many others, and won the "Audience Favorite Film" Award. Le Blanc is a frequent speaker at historical and genealogical conferences as well as film festivals from Cannes to China. Le Blanc was selected one of the "Top Ten Working Women in America."

Alabama photography presentation is Feb. 20

Foley Public Library will be hosting a presentation, "Alabama PastPort Trail," on Thursday, Feb 20 @ 3 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room. The presentation is a celebration of Alabama through travel and photography shared by Wanda and Michael Green, who explored Alabama during its 200th birthday. Pics depict their Alabama train ride at the Heart of Dixie Railroad to journeying into the future with a ride on the new electrically operated, state-ofthe-art ferry in Camden. Come prepared to share your own Alabama experiences, too. Call 251-943-7665 to reserve a spot. You can get more information via the library's website at foleylibrary.org or by Facebook.



SBCT Climbing The Ladder Masquerade Gala is Feb. 1

South Baldwin Community Theatre will present its Climbing The Ladder gala, a fundraising event, on Saturday, Feb. 1 at 6 p.m Join the SBCT Board of Directors for an evening of fun and entertainment at the second annual fundraiser. This year will have a masquerade theme. Food and drinks will be provided along with with a silent auction. Seating is general admission and tickets are \$30 per person.

The event will be held at the theatre, located at 2202 W 22nd St. in Gulf Shores. For info, visit sbct.org or call 251-968-6721.

Bingo: 10 to 2; Gulf Coast Elks Lodge

- 2782, Foley: 251-971-2782.

 Orange Beach City Council Meeting: 5 p.m.; City Hall; 980-INFO.\
- 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-
- Gulf Shores Kiwanis Club: Palmer Dining Room at Craft Farms; noon; new members and guests always welcome; 251-981-9999.
- Kiwanis Club of Foley: Noon on Tuesdays at Ryan's in Foley; 251-968-6288.
- AA: Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- Al-Anon: Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

WED, FEB 12

- Sex Please We're Sixty: 7:30 p.m.; South Baldwin Community Theatre; Gulf
- Flora-Bama Possible Probables: 2 p.m. 'til; (Sched. on pages 32-33), Flora-Bama, Perdido Key.
- Flora-Bama Welcome Wednesday Potluck: 11-4 p.m.; Flora-Bama Loung Tent Stage; Perdido Key.
- Winter Wednesdays at Bellingrath Gardens - Raising Roses: 10 a.m.; Theodore, (251) 973-2217.
- Open Mic: 5:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores
- Open Mic: 7; Tacky Jack's, Fort Morgan
- Bingo Night: 6; Tacky Jacks, Orange
- Danny Grady: 3:30; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
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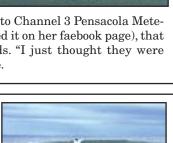


Toni Nicholson discovered, thanks to Channel 3 Pensacola Meteorologist Kaitlin Wright (who posted it on her faebook page), that these are Kelvin-Helmholtz clouds. "I just thought they were pretty. Who knew? Lol," Toni wrote.





Courtney du Plessis shares a West Beach sunset.



Sharon Smith shares pictures from Perdido Key.





Ken Groezinger of Shannon, IL shares these beautiful pics.



"Taking flight," from Gary Knowles. Gary also shares a pcture of a blackheaded pelican.



Submitted by Shar Eckard of West Lake Okoboji.







Mary Schaefer shares pictures from Ft. Morgan.





From Pat Ward.



From Sheila Wink.



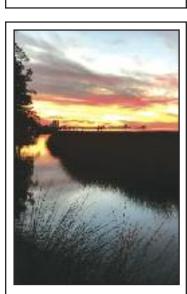
"These Flamingos flew all the way from Massachusetts, Michigan and Wisconsin to be part of the Kiwanis Polar Bear Dip (Sandy Raymond, Buffy Savage and LuAnn Buwalda)," writes Allen Savage.



"Only a small part of my find! These are Nutmegs," writes Gary Cherpes of Michigan.



Barrancas Cemetary at NAS Pensacola from Sandra Raymond.



Sunset on Little Lagoon in Gulf Shores from Sherry Byrd.

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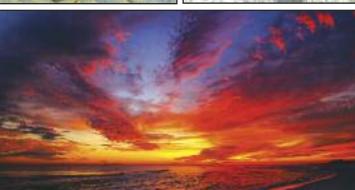


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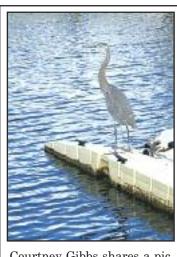
Barry Miller from East Moline, Illinois shares beautiful pics from Ft. Morgan.



Shrimp Boat at Sunrise in Fort Morgan from Kendra Richardson.



Robert & Aimee Wilson share a sunset photo.



Courtney Gibbs shares a pic of a heron checking out the Bear Point boat launch.



Kristine Buehler from Wausau, Wisconsin shares "Elves on the Beach" picture.



Linda Craiger, a visitor from Kentucky, spotted a Groovedbill Ani while walking along the Back Country Trail on Dec. 20. "A rare bird for Gulf State Park," she wrote.



From Brenda and Scott Mahorney: "This was at the Gulf Shores Golf Course Sunday, 12/8/19. We love the wildlife at your courses down here."



"Cheers to Gulf Shores and your beautiful beach," writes Bunny Harlow.



Rusty James shares sunsets over Oyster Bay and Mobile Bay.





Raquel Spiegel's picture of a Gulf Shores garden winter visitor.

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SNOWBIRD **NEWS**

Senior Softball

Attention Snowbirds & Locals over 50 years old. January to March. Senior Softball in Gulf Shores on Monday & Wednesday mornings at the Sportsplex on CR-6. Contact Mike Dunaway at 724-970-6219 or michaelraydunaway @gmail.com.

Feb. 29 Lions Club Dance includes \$500 dance contest

The Gulf Shores Lions Club will present its First Annual 50's and 60's Dance Party on Saturday, Feb. 29 from 7-11 p.m. at the Gulf Shores American Legion (6781 Gulf Shores Pkwy.). Tickets are \$20 and include a spaghetti dinner, a night of dancing, and an opportunity to dance your way to a \$500 top prize during the event's dance contest. For ticket information, call 251-709-9524 or 859-380-0781 or buy tickets online at eventbrite.com/e/gulfshores-lions-club-50s-and-60sdance-party-tickets.

Money raised at the dance will be used to fund local charities supported by the club.

Snowbird Bridge Club

The Gulf Shores Snowbird Bridge Club will start up again on Jan 8th and will be held weekly, every Wednesday, starting at 10 am at the Gulf Shores Country Club. The cost to play is \$10 and includes a delicious lunch served by the Country Club restaurant. This is a social bridge club open to anyone who loves to play bridge (snowbirds and locals). For more information, call Jeanne at 614-898-9807.

New York

By Frank Panczyszyn

The New York Snowbirds have arrived at the beautiful Alabama-Florida Gulf Coast, and recently enjoyed their 2nd luncheon at Ginny Lanes. Averaging 75 New Yorkers and guests thus far, the meals were great as was their social connections, the informative presentations, and the door prizes. They will return to Ginny Lanes at the Wharf in Orange Beach on Thursday, February 6th for their 3rd luncheon. They will arrive on or before 11AM, to meet friends, followed by lunch. A \$1 donation will be col-

lected at registration to cover expenses and help build their winterend contribution to local communities. Guest speaker on February 6th will be Joel Hamilton, the Director of the Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo. Reservations are required by email to nysnowbirds@ gmail.com by February 3rd. They will gather again at Ginny Lanes on February 20th and March 5th.

There are plans for another casino bus trip to the Scarlet Pearl in Biloxi, and New York is sponsoring 5 tables for the Orange Beach-Gulf Shores Library fund raiser, Trivia Night, Saturday, February 8th. Doors open at 5PM at the Wharf's Orange Beach Event Center. Anyone else not yet registered who would like to participate, contact Frank at nysnowbirds@gmail.com. They will also participate in the Brat Fest at the Orange Beach Community Center on February 8th selling beverages, 11am to 1pm, and look forward to seeing more NY'ers there to enjoy the Brats and Beer and the DJ!!! They will sponsor a hole at the South Baldwin Heritage Museum golf fund raiser at Glen Lakes on Tuesday, February 16th, and hopefully, field a team to take on the "big" states!!!

They are now looking for volunteers to organize a NY Ladies Luncheon. Any interest, contact Tracy at nysnowbirds@gmail.com .

The Low Country Boil fund raiser for the Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo is Friday, February 21st at the location of the new Zoo. New York is currently sold out of tickets for this event, as are many snowbird states! Following their last luncheon on March 5th, they plan to enjoy a dolphin cruise, with details to soon fol-

lowa

By Fran Gruenhaupt

The Iowa Snowbirds will meet for breakfast at 8:30 am on Wednesday, February 5 at the Perdido Beach Resort, 27200 East Perdido Beach Boulevard in Orange Beach. The program will feature Bill Walton, Director of Auburn University Shellfish Lab and Associate Professor speaking about oyster farming. Reservations can be made on the website, Iowa-Alabamagulfcoastsnowbirds.org (preferred), or by calling or texting Chris and Steve Hedlund at 319-430-4597. Breakfast is \$11.00. Everyone is welcome

The Club's next Cocktail Party will be held on Friday evening, February 21, 5-7pm at the Caribe Resort, 28103 Perdido Beach Blvd., Building C, Orange Beach. No RSVP is required. Bring a dish to share and your own beverage. Many door prizes will be awarded during the social event.

Future breakfast dates are Wednesdays, February 5 and Feb.19. On March 4, 2020 a final informal breakfast will be held at

Luna's, reservations necessary, but no program at the event. Iowa has a golf group with golf sign-up through the website. Club members may check the website, Iowa-Alabamagulfcoastsnowbirds.org for updates, sign-ups, and a listing of activities available in the Gulf area. While in the Gulf communities, the Iowa club members donate to various local charities. There is no membership fee and all Iowans and their guests are welcome at all club events.

Breakfasts, 8:30am at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach, \$11, reservations required on website, Iowa Alabamagulfcoastsnowbirds .org or by calling or texting Chris or Steve Hedlund, 319-430-4597: Wednesday, February 5; Wednesday, February 19; Wednesday, March 4 at Luna's, Orange Beach, informal, no program, reservation needed.

Social cocktail parties: Friday, February 21, 5-7pm at Caribe Resort Building C, Orange Beach. No reservation. Bring dish to share and your own drink.

Golf Outings: Listed on website; Everyone welcome to register for events. Website: Iowa-Alabamagulfcoastsnowbirds.org.

Dakotas

Dakotas Snowbird Club is scheduled to meet January 14 and 28, February 4 and 11, and March 3, at 8:30 am for breakfast with a 9:00 am program at Luna's Magnolia Hall in Orange Beach. The club also plans several social activities to be determined at a later date.

Our club consists of Snowbirds visiting the Gulf Coast with connections to or living in North and South Dakota. We contribute to the Christian Service Center food pantry by collecting food and cash at our meetings and providing volunteers for several local charities and organizations. For more information please contact Joyce Anderson at 605-351-0274 and leave a message for a return call.

Auditions set for 2021 **Snowbird Theater**

By Judi Pugh

The Snowbird Season Theater Goup is looking for snowbird and local actors and actresses for the 2021 play A Bad Year for Tomatoes. Auditions are being held on Thursday, February 27 at 10 a.m. at the South Baldwin Community Theater at 2022 West 2nd Street in Gulf Shores.

For a copy of the script or more information, contact Larry Rebert at 269-330-4214 or larryrebert@ vahoo.com.

Not an actor or actress? We need carpenters for stage construction, set painters, stage hands, lighting and sound technicians, set designers, cookie bakers, box office staff

and hospitality people to take tickets and serve wine & cheese and punch & cookies at intermission. Contact Larry Rebert about these support positions also.

Everyone enjoys the fun of the snowbird season play, but we can't put it on without snowbirds and local talent. Come, be a part of making the show go on.

Tuesday Snowbird Coffee

By Mary Rebert

Tuesdays: Snowbird Coffee; 9 a.m. at 1720 Gulf Shores Parkway, Building "B"(Gulf Shores UMC complex) in Gulf Shores. Refreshments, entertainment, speakers & door prizes. Open to the public. Noentry fee. Donations are accepted to defray expenses. Schedule of entertainment: January 21: Andrea & Chris Carson bluegrass; January 28: Sandspur Band; February 4: Top Hat & Jackie; February 11: Mel Middlebrooks; Feb 18: Four Winds Barbershop; February 25: closed for Fat Tuesday; March 3: Orange Beach activities & Updates.

Michigan

By Jean Shouder

Michigan Club activities are in full swing. January 30 is the breakfast at Magnolia Hall. Contact Walt at bwsalis@frontier.com for more information on this and the luncheon at Playa on Feb. 13. Early membership/golf sign up will be Feb. 2 at the building behind Live Bait Restaurant from 1 -2:30. Membership is \$5. Please bring correct change. The first Feb. Michigan

is the Brat Fest. The Brat Fest is sponsored by all northern states snowbird clubs to benefit the Gulf Shores, Orange Beach, and Fort Morgan Fire and Rescue Departments. Total contributions the past 15 years is now \$169,000. For more information contact Blaine Rex at 269-744-1106. Also on Feb. 8 is the Annual Snowbird Trivia Night held at the Orange Beach Events Center at the Wharf 6-10pm. Ladies golf is held every Tuesday at Golf Links Course in Gulf Shores. Tee times start at 10am. Contact Sue Beach at 231-429-0952. On Feb. 3 Michigan Club Golf will be at Rock Creek with a 12pm shotgun start. Contact information Sheri Plumly 231-690-5290. Feb. 5 golf will be at Gulf Shores with tee times from 10 -1230. Contact person is Nancy Grebe 586-295-4345. Feb. 10 golf at Quail Creek 12 pm shotgun start. Contact person is Bob Imhoff 616-897-5290. Feb. 12 golf will be at Craft Farms Cypress Course with 12 pm shotgun start. Tom Tylka contact person 517-499-5671. Another great Casino trip to Scarlet Pearl is scheduled for Feb. 12. For more information contact Pat Eppley 810-334-3508. For more information about the Michigan Club: mighiganclubalabama.com or michiganclubalabama@gmail.com.

Club Meeting will be Feb. 6 at the

Erie Meyer Center. Coffee at 9 and

meeting at 10am. Saturday Feb. 8

Senior Line Dancing

Senior Line Dance Classes; Foley Senior Center; Wednesdays - \$2 per class; 11:45 a.m. - Beginner; 12:30 p.m. - Improver; Annie Godfrey in-

Free Walks and Talks at Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge

The Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge will host a series of free Walks and Talks in January and February covering the topics of Dynamic Dunes, Birds, Local Habitats, and Marine Ecosystems. The History of U-boats in the Gulf, Sharks and the History of the Sea Turtle Conservation Movement are other topics. The talks will be held at the Ft. Morgan Volunteer Fire Department at 12105 State Highway 180 (Ft. Morgan Rd. in Gulf Shores. These are very popular events and reservations are required. The guided tours are limited to 12 people and the talks are limited to 24 people. Call the Refuge office at 251-540-7720 to book a walk or a talk, or drop into the office at 12295 State Highway 180 in Gulf Shores.

Winter Walks and Talks Schedule

Thursday Jan. 30th - 9:00 am- Nature Walk- Pine Beach Trail Friday, Jan. 31st - 8:30 am- Bird & Nature Walk- Pine Beach Trail Tuesday, Feb. 4th – 8:30 am- Bird Walk- Jeff Friend Trail Tuesday, Feb. 4th- 10:00 am- U-Boats in the Gulf- Ft. Morgan VFD Station #1 Thursday, Feb. 6th - 3:00 pm- Dynamic Dunes - Mobile Street Parking Lot Friday, Feb. 7th- 8:30 am- Bird & Nature Walk- Pine Beach Trail Saturday, Feb 8th- 9:30 am -Medicinal & Edible Plant Walk - Jeff Friend Trail (Office will be closed) Tuesday, Feb. 11th – 8:30 am- Bird Walk- Jeff Friend Trail

Tuesday, Feb. 11th 10:00 am- Shark Spiel- Ft. Morgan VFD Station #1 Thursday, Feb. 13th- 10:00 am- Guided Beach Walk- Mobile Street Parking Lot Thursday, Feb. 13th- 3:00 pm- Dynamic Dunes - Mobile Street Parking Lot Friday, Feb. 14th- 8:30 am- Bird & Nature Walk- Pine Beach Trail Tuesďay, Feb. 18th – 8:30 am- Bird Walk- Jeff Friend Trail Tuesďay, Feb. 18th 10:00 am- Sea Turtle History -Ft. Morgan VFD Station 1 Thursday, Feb. 20th - 3:00 pm- Dynamic Dunes - Mobile Street Parking Lot Friday, Feb. 21st- 8:30 am- Bird & Nature Walk- Pine Beach Trail

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Blackened Catfish

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Coconut Shrimp

Dipped in beer batter, sprinkled with coconut and fried. \$17.99

Shrimp Creole

Spicy tomato and vegetable sauce over yellow rice. Served with one side dish. \$17.99

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Fried Flounder - lightly battered and fried golden brown	
Grilled Chicken - with a light touch of lemon-herb olive oil	\$8.25
Chicken Crecle - smothered in a spiry tomato & vegetable sauce. Served on yellow rice .	88.25
Fried Chicken Tenders - batter-dipped tenders, deep-fried. Served w/honey mustard	\$8.25
Country Fried Steak - served w/cream gravy	\$8.25
Hamburger Steak - (6 oz) char-grilled & served w/brown gravy	\$8.25
Pork Chops - two tender chops grilled or fried.	\$8.25
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Grilled Shrimp over yellow rice: \$11.99 Fried Shrimp \$9.99

Fried Oysters with cocktail sauce: \$14.99

Fried Seafood Platter flounder, shrimp, crab claws & oysters \$15.99

Broiled Seafood Platter shrimp, scallops & flounder \$14.99

Fried Chicken Tenders with honey mustard \$8.99

Grilled Chicken Breast w/ a light touch of lemon herb oil: \$8.99

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SNOWBIRD NEWS

GCAA offers art class options geared especially for snowbirds

The Gulf Coast Arts Alliance has scheduled art classes and a ukulele class designed especially for snowbirds. The classes are offered daily and prices vary. Private and group classes are available and many of the classes last for six weeks.

The GCAA, located at 225 E. 24th Ave. in the Waterway Village neighborhood of Gulf Shores, , 2020. Options include beginning pastel painting, acrylic painting, caligraphy, ukulele & string band. For more info, call 251-948-2627.

Cribbage on Fridays

Beginning Friday, January 10, 2020, Cribbage players will be gathering to play Cribbage every Friday. Sign up starts at 12:30 pm and play begins at 1 pm at the Gulf Shores American Legion, Post 44, 6781 AL-59. The cost is \$5. For additional information contact Barbara Beamish at 989-464-8605. All Cribbage players are welcome.

Pickleball Tourney

Registration is now open for the Bama Beach Valentine Classic Pickleball Tournament to be played February 10-13 at the Foley Event Center. All skill and age levels from 2.0 and up are welcome. Please register at pickleballtournaments.com. Registration ends January 31. Come and join us for this annual charity tournament that welcomes players from all over the southeast.

Indiana

By Becky Chatham-Heidenreich

We have a breakfast buffet meetings at the Luna Event Center which is behind Buzz Catz on Canal Rd. in OB. Doors open up at 7:30 with breakfast at 8. Membership is an annual fee of \$2.50 and the breakfast is \$10. (please no bills over \$20 and no checks) Please call Jan Pell (317)914-5832 for reservations by the Tue. before the Thur. meeting. Come and enjoy the fun and renew old friendships and meet new friends. We have been blessed with many door prizes due to the generosity of several Gulf Coast

businesses and we have a 50/50 raffle. All proceeds accumulated over the season are donated to various groups at the end of the season. Future meetings are: Feb. 6-speaker Desiree Blackwell. Director of Coastal Arts Center; Feb. 20speaker Tony Kennon, mayor of OB; March 6-speaker Craig Stephenson, OB fire marshal. For our first meeting on Jan. 6 we had a record meeting of 132 attendance and we continued preparing for fund raising events. Door prizes were awarded and the 50/50 was won by Gary Robertson from Rossville o Jan. 9 and Ted Leach from Bloomington on Jan. 23. Come join us for the fun Feb. 6.

Minnesota

By Nancy Poferi

The Minnesota Snowbird Club meets each Tuesday for an informational breakfast, January 7 through March 10 at GT's On The Bay located on 26189 Canal Rd, Orange Beach. Pre-registration required by the Friday before the Tuesday Breakfast via website link to Google Sheets. Thereafter, you may sign-up weekly at the breakfast or continue online registration. Doors open 7:30 am; breakfast 8:15 am. Cost: \$10, includes tax and tip. Cash or check only. We cannot accept bills over \$20. Food donations and/or cash are gratefully accepted at each meeting for the Christian Service Center, the dedicated project of the MN Club.

For breakfast signup link, information regarding upcoming events, golf tee times, or a contact number, please log onto the Minnesota Club website: mnal.org or the Facebook page: facebook.com and search

emnalclub.

Wisconsin

By Nancy Durgin

Orange Beach (OB) mayor, Tony Kennon, spoke about the state of the city and ongoing projects at the Jan. 22 meeting. Anyone who has resided in WI is welcome to attend. We collect Boxtops for Education from General Mills cereals and Johnson & Johnson products, motelsize toiletries, empty printer ink cartridges and pop-top rings. There is also a puzzle and book exchange. At the meetings you will meet other WI sno-birds, learn about volunteer opportunities at the new Zoo, the Baldwin County Heritage Museum (BCHM) in Elberta, and other activities. We also have speakers from communities around us. Come to find out about day trips and sign up for fund-raising events that benefit local fire departments, libraries, Christian Service Group and BCHM! The Feb 8 Brat Fest will be held at the Orange Beach Community Center (OBČC). Card players meet at the Gulf Shores American Legion Post 44 on Hwy 59 every Friday at 9 am. Golfers will have

special rates at the GlenLakes Golf Course. For more information please contact Kenn at 251-967-2463 OR wissnobirds@yahoo.com. Wednesday, Feb. 5 - 8:30 am -

meeting at OBEC; Saturday, Feb. 8 -11 am - OBCC - Bob Gilray Memorial BRAT FEST; Saturday, Feb. 8 -6 pm - OBEC - Trivia Night Monday, Feb. 10 - 11:30 am - Singles meet at Doc's Seafood, Canal Road, OB; Tuesday, Feb 11 - 1 pm -8-pin No Tap Bowling - Gulf Bowl, Foley; Tuesday, Feb. 18 - 9 am -BCHM Golf Scramble @ GlenLakes Golf Club

Retired Law Enforcement Lunch

The annual Snowbird Retired Law Enforcement luncheon will be held on Feb. 19 at noon, at the American Legion Post 44, 6781 State Hwy. 59, Gulf Shores. All retired and former law enforcement officers and their spouses are invited. (active officers are also welcome) You may order from the lunch menu on your own. Please RSVP to Tom Westgate at 269-252-7029 so we can give the Legion a headcount.

Snowbird Broadway at GSUMC among church's musical offerings

From "Another Opening, Another Show' from Kiss Me Kate and "I Can't Wait to be King' from The Lion King, the 2020 Snowbird Broadway revue on Thursday and Friday, January 30 and 31 at 7pm in the GSUMC sanctuary will bring music lovers a wide variety of favorite melodies. In addition to Broadway music from Chicago and others, there will be musical tributes to the Beach Boys and the Hollies, along with a live band accompanying the 40-plus member choir. Featured soloists include several local favorites.

Following their major success collaborating with director Ken Burns on 'Country Music, Three-on-a-String returns to the GSUMC auditorium on Monday and Tuesday, February 3 and 4 at 7pm for two nights of comedy and music. Actually four talented performers, their musicianship, song writing ability, performance skills and musical versatility make each concert an entertaining, educational and interactive

experience.

Youthful Broadway on Friday, February 7 at 7pm will combine elements of last year's Youth USO show with Broadway and movie hits from yesterday and today. The concerts features the GSUMC youth choir. Enjoy numbers from modern shows such as Spamalot and Guardians of the Galaxy to classic favorites from South Pacific and composer Andrew Lloyd Webber.

Tickets at \$10 per person for Broadway and Youthful Broadway and \$15 per person for Three-in-a-String are available Monday

through Friday from 9am to noon in Thee Coffee Shop at the GSUMC South Plaza Campus. Reserved seating is available for concert season supporters. For additional information, please feel free to contact the GSUMC office at 251-968-2411or visit gulfshoresumc.org.

Winter Lecture Series

Throughout January and February, Gulf Shores & Orange Beach Tourism will host its annual Winter Lecture Series, providing visitors with the opportunity to learn more about the destination's history, wildlife and culture.

The lecture series not only showcases the uniqueness of Alabama's Gulf Coast, but also speaks to individual interest and schedules. Lectures are held at various times Mondays through Friday and highlight a broad range of interests including military history, local artisans and business updates. Featured topics this year include a demonstration of how to weave fabric by hand, a lesson on recognizing carnivorous plants at Weeks Bay Reserve, the history at Fort Morgan, and an update on the new Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo location.

This year's lectures offer the opportunity for advanced registration. To ensure you get a seat at the lectures of your choice, register online at GulfShores.com/lectures. All lectures will be held in the Gulf Shores Welcome Center located at 3459 Gulf Shores Parkway. Each lecture is free to the public and lasts approximately 60 minutes. Seating is limited, so visitors are encouraged to reserve a seat online.

F or a full lecture schedule or to reserve your seat, visit GulfShores.com/lectures.

Snowbird Singles

All Singles in Lower AL are invited to a monthly luncheon to meet and greet other singles. February's luncheon will be Monday, February 10, at 11:30 am at Doc's Seafood, 26029 Canal Road, Orange Beach. Contact Barb with questions at bionicbarbs@aol.com.

Bald. Co. Musuem Golf Scramble

By Nancy Durgin

Calling all Golfers. The Baldwin County Heritage Museum's 8th Annual Golf Scramble is here! Tee time is 9 am at GlenLakes Golf Club on Tuesday, February 18. e are looking for golfers, hole sponsors and raffle donations. All of these benefit the not-for-profit facility. There will be a Hole-in-One contest, raffle prizes, auction and other events on the golf course. We are raising funds to support the annual operating cost of the Museum. BCHM is dedicated to preserving the heritage of the family and early rural culture of Baldwin County. The Museum is free, open to the public from 10 am - 3 pm Wednesdays through Saturdays and located just east of Elberta on US-98. Contact Tammy at 251-986-8375 OR bchm@gulftel.com to register your team, ask questions or give your donation. Your contribution to this event will be supporting a valuable tool for teaching students of all

Hay Mon! FOE Party Feb. 8

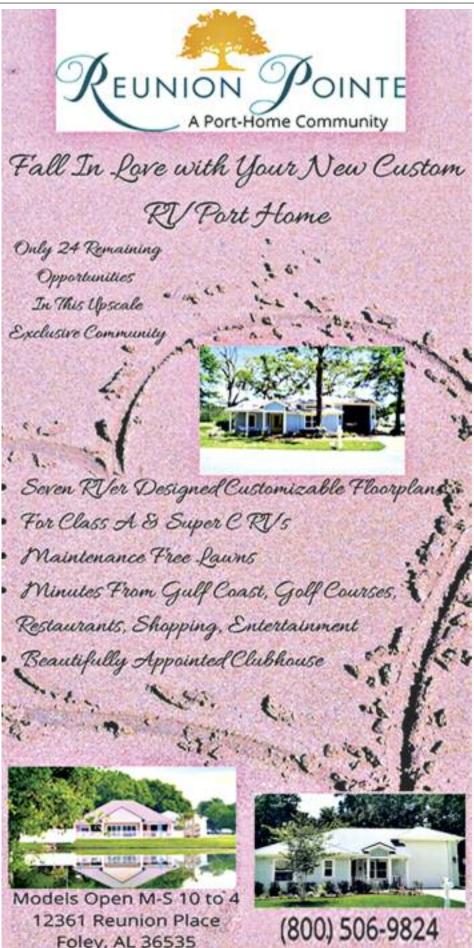
By TK Kipp

Hay, Mon, It's time for another fun filled Island Vibe afternoon at the Fraternal Order of Eagles #4549!!!! It's our second one and we are ready to party. When: Saturday February 8th. Time: 2 to 6 P.M. We want everyone to have fun and possibly raise a little money for our charities. So, get those coconuts dusted off, get those flip flops out of the closet, and shake the wrinkles out of your Hawaiian shirts. Good food, cheap beverages, and great music. See you on February 8th at 3859 Gulf Shores Parkway Unit 6! **Learn How To Surf Fish**: On a separate note: Want to try your hand at surf fishing? K-W (Wiley Latner) will take you for a great time fishing for 4 hours, room for 5 only unless you have your own pole, for only \$10.00, which includes pole, bait, and cleaning of your fish for next day pick-up. He is ready to go for February 1st, 8 A.M. to Noon (unless they are biting crazy) This is for those 65 and older. Call Fraternal Order of Eagles 4549, at 251 971-4549 to reserve your spot. No food or drinks are supplied, you are welcome to bring your own.

Wisconsin Synod Lutherans

Gulf Shores area WELS/ELS Members. Wisconsin Synod Lutherans will have local church services with Holy Communion conducted as follows: January 5 & 19, February 2 & 16 at St Jude by the Sea Lutheran Church, 312 E 16th Ave, Gulf Shores. Services will start at 4:00 with Bible class to follow. Make checks payable to Risen Savior Luth Church. For more info contact Evan Dobberfuhl, 715-573-0808 or tpcevan@gmail.com.

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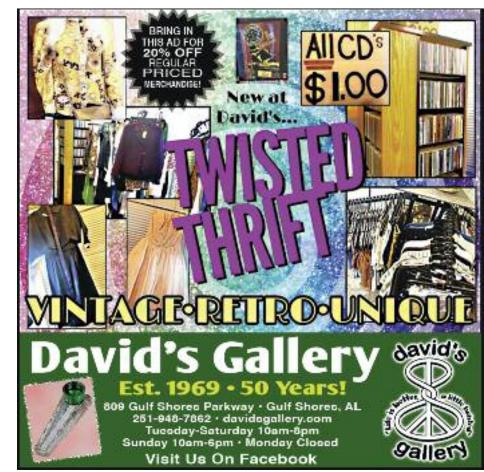
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G.S. Men's Coffee Club

The Gulf Shores Men's Snowbird Coffee Club will hold their first meeting of the 2020 season on Friday, January 3 at 7:30 a.m. All meetings are held at Ginny Lane Bar and Grill at the Wharf, 4851 Wharf Pkwy. E., Orange Beach every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Membership information is available at these meetings. The oldest continually active snowbird club has more than 300 members from twenty-six states and three Canadian provinces. Besides raising money for local charities, the club holds golf outings, sponsors casino trips and conducts breakfast meetings for members and spouses. The club also throws horseshoes on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at noon at Meyer Park in Gulf

Illinois

By Dave DeBlauw

The Illinois snowbird club held it's 2nd breakfast/meeting of this season on Jan $24 ext{th}$ at $Greve{T}$'s on the Bay. The following events still remain: February 07 @ 8:00 - Breakfast at GTs On the Bay (doors open at 7:45); 08 @ 10-1 - Snowbird Brat fest – Orange Beach Community Center. This is an event for the entire community; 08 @ 6:00 -Trivia Night – Orange Beach Events Center. This is an event for the entire community; 11 @ 5:00 - Potluck and Games – Orange Beach Sr. Activity Center; 19 @ 9:30 - Book Club at Orange Beach Library ("Where the crawdads sing"); 20 @ 8:00 - Breakfast at GTs On the Bay (doors open at 7:45); 27 @ 12:00 - Picnic in the Park, Johnnie Sims Park, 348 W.

Plantation Church Service

Plantation Church service all winter until Easter. The Plantation, Bldg #4 Conference Room, 9am every Sunday. Everyone welcome. For more info. Kent Gerber, Chaplain, (336) 529 2372.

Senior Snowbird Potluck

For the 24th consective year, the Senior Snowbird Potluck will run each Thursday from January 16th through the month of February (excepting January 30th). All seniors, visitors and locals are welcome. Plan to bring a dish to pass that will feed 8-10 persons. Drinks and table service will be provided. The weekly meetings will be held at the Orange Beach Community Center on Canal Road at 12 Noon. Information: 981-6060.

Sweet Harmony Chorus

By Pamula Rustan

Sweet Harmony Chorus, a Women's Barbershop chorus, is looking for women singers to join this group for our 2020 season. We sing a variety of music in 4 part acapella style of close harmony. No experience needed. We have tapes to assist in learning the music. Rehearsal Schedule is Monday afternoon from 1:30 to 4:30 at Gulf Shore United Methodist Church Choir Room. We will be performing for the Ohio Club on Feb. 19th and our full show is Feb. 29 at the Gulf Breeze RV Park. If interested come to our rehearsal or contact Pamula Rustan, Director at 701-260-0670.

Mt. Dulimer Players

Mt Dulcimer Players w some experience - We meet every Mon 10:00-11:30 am, and Wed 2:00-3:30, St Andrew by the Sea, 17263 Fort Morgan Rd, Gulf Shores, January through March. Call Michelle for more info 317-446-0500

Snowbird Bridge

By Jeanne Haber

Every Wednesday thru March. Gulf Shores Snowbird Bridge, 10 a.m. Social bridge open to all. \$10 includes lunch. Gulf Shores Golf Club, 520 Clubhouse Drive, Gulf Shores.

Sewflakes meet Tuesdays

Calling all who craft, sew, quilt, knit, crochet, make jewelry, etc. Are you looking for a place to share ideas, get inspiration, help with your craft or just someone to sit with and share your craft. Our Sewflakes group will be meeting every Tuesday until March 1. Come join us on Tuesday mornings 8:30 to 11:30am at First Presbyterian Church of Gulf Shores, 309 East 21st Avenue, Gulf Shore. More info: 315-807-8585.

Ohio

By Gayle Hofacker

Welcome to Ohio Snowbird members and new friends! Club sponsored activities include a Breakfast Meeting on Wednesday, February 5, and Wednesday, February 19. Programs include speakers, 50/50 raffle, Door prizes from members and local businesses. We also have a

puzzle and book exchange. The breakfast meetings are held at the Cosmos/Luna's Event Center on Canal Road. Doors open at 8 AM and the Buffet Breakfast is served starting at 9:00 am. Please contact Gayle Hofacker at 937-621-1700 no later than the Sunday before the meeting date. The cost for the Breakfast Buffet is \$10 per person. Club Membership is \$5.00 per person per year. Planned trips and local excursions are also some of the activities that members can participate in. A farewell luncheon will be on Wednesday, March 4 at GT's (down the road to the east of the Event Center.) We're hoping to see a lot of returning members and welcome many new members to our

Yooper Luncheon

The 37th annual Yooper luncheon will be held Wednesday, February 12. Doors open at 11:30, buffet lunch served at 12 noon. Buffet of 3 meats, sides, coffee, and iced tea. Cost is \$15.00 includes tax and gratuity. Cash only to be collected at the door by UP crew. It will be held at Magnolia Hall, Luna's Cosmos Courtvard, 25753 Canal Road, Orange Beach. All UP folks and friends past and present are invited. Questions: call Gary Boushelle 989-387-0332 or Dan Inglis 906-440-0866.

Ancient Aviators

By Dick Bensman

Ancient Avaiators meet at 8:45 am on the 1st Tuesday of each month in the Bingo Room of Post 44 of the American Legion at 6781 Hwy 59 in Gulf Shores. We either have a guest speaker (about 1 to 1-1/2 hrs. duration), OR, the attendees 'just tell' aviation related or other interesting life stories. We normally conclude by about 10:30 am. Our 13+ year old

group has no by-laws, minutes, dues or officers. Both men and women attend, some who flew in their military or civilian life, or who just have a general interest in aviation. A full hot breakfast available for \$6 at 8:30 prior to mtg. All area residents or snowbirds are invited; no reservations needed. Info: 251-990-8258.

Welcome Wednesdays at Bama

Welcome Wednesdays are back at the Flora-Bama every Wednesday through March 4. Snowbirds and locals alike come together for good times, good music, great food and fellowship here in the Flora-Bama Tent. The weekly lunch social features Live Music beginning at 11 a.m., followed by drawings for goods, services and merchandise compliments of the Flora-Bama and local businesses, and a lunch buffet that begins serving at 1 p.m. The buffet is \$3 per person or free for those bringing a side dish

Phoenix Art Show Feb. 15

Feb. 15; Sat. 10 to 1pm at Phoenix East meeting room - 27120 Perdido Beach Rd., Orange Beach; Al. Come and meet the artists and enjoy treats and coffee on us.

Bratfest is Feb. 8

By Nancy Durgin

The 22nd Annual Bob Gilray Memorial Brat Fest will take place on Saturday, February 8, at the Orange Beach Community Center (OBCC), 27235 Canal Road OB, beginning at 11 am. Johnsonville brats will be sold for \$4 with soda, tea or coffee available for \$1. Indoor seating is available and there will be a 50/50 raffle. You are also able to take your brat to go. The funds raised benefit the Fire Departments at Orange Beach, Gulf Shores and Fort

Morgan. Everyone is welcome. Come out to support you local fire departments.

Craft Show Feb. 19

Craft and Hobby Show; Wednesday, February 19, 9-1; Activities room at Grand Pointe Condominiums; 27284 Gulf Road, Orange Beach; Across from San Roc Cay; Handcrafted jewelry, glassware, paintings, greeting cards, misc.; Call Judie McCoy 765-860-8520 for informations or directions. Everyone Welcomed.

Dulcimer Workshop Feb. 5

Mountain Dulcimer One-Day Workshop with Stephen Seifert, Wed, Feb 5, St Andrew by the Sea, 10 - 4. 17263 Fort Morgan Rd, Gulf Shores. Potluck lunch. Bring a dish to pass. For more information and to register, call Michelle Fife 317-446-0500.





Last chance to buy table for Feb. 8

Snowbird Trivia at O.B. Event Center

Last chance to get a registration submitted for the 2020 annual Snowbird Trivia event to be held at the Orange Beach Event Center Saturday, February 8th. Doors open at 5 PM with the event beginning at 6 PM. The questions have been received and they look fun! A team of 8 at a table is \$120 and guests bring their own drink and food. Table decorations are encouraged but not necessary. Donations for the Pick-a-Pot include a handcrafted wood Pelican, a Nick Cantrell Batik Watercolor, a Keri St. Peter Glass piece, an electric Grill for Baldwin EMC, as well as gift certificates from local restaurants including, Lulu's, Sauced, Tacky Jacks, Villagio, Yo Ho Rum & Tacos, Ginny Lane, Cobalts, GT's, Cosmos, and Buzz Cat. Be a part of this wonderful fun and charitable event that benefits the island libraries and literacy by submitting a registration form available from the Orange Beach Library and the Gulf Shores Library. Registration forms can be downloaded from orangebeachlibrary.org



following winter guests won prizes by participating in the Find it in Foley treasure hunt held in conjunction with Foley's Snowbird Coffee on Jan. 14. Prizes included a smart tablet, gift baskets, and lots of Foley restaurant gift cards. Winners shown include Wendy Kroening, Cathy Hatzenbeller, Ann Peerenboom Werner and Jane Swanson of Wisconsin; Maureen Ulvi and Clinton Wilson of Minnesota; David Alexander of New York; Dan Clark and Nancy Naujokas of Michigan; Vicki Henderson of Ohio; Paul Fought, Dennis Bechtold and Sheila Ross of Indiana; Dona Hoult, Stephanie Siess and Linda Waters of Illinois; Sherri Prentice of Oklahoma; Martin Kennedy of Texas; Vivian Link of Kentucky; Jane Hartson of Tennessee; John Kleinbrink of Gulf Shores and Charles Painter of Foley. Also shown, LaDonna Hinesley, marketing director for Foley. Prizes were provided by Brett Robinson, Sisters Side by Side, Drowsy Poet, Groovy Goat, Wahlburgers, Crazy Donuts, Paula Deans,

Copper Kettle Tea Bar, Let's Get Grillin Meats, Jan's Art Studio, Oui Oui Paris, Wolf

Bay Lodge and Sugar Spice and Soul Café, and the city of Foley. The coffee was spon-

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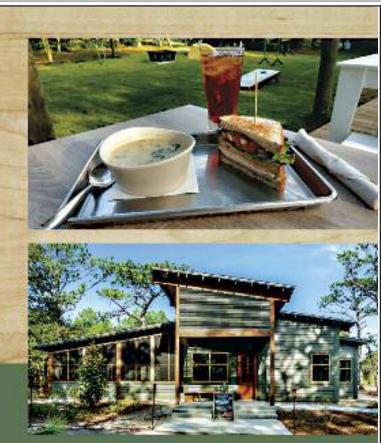
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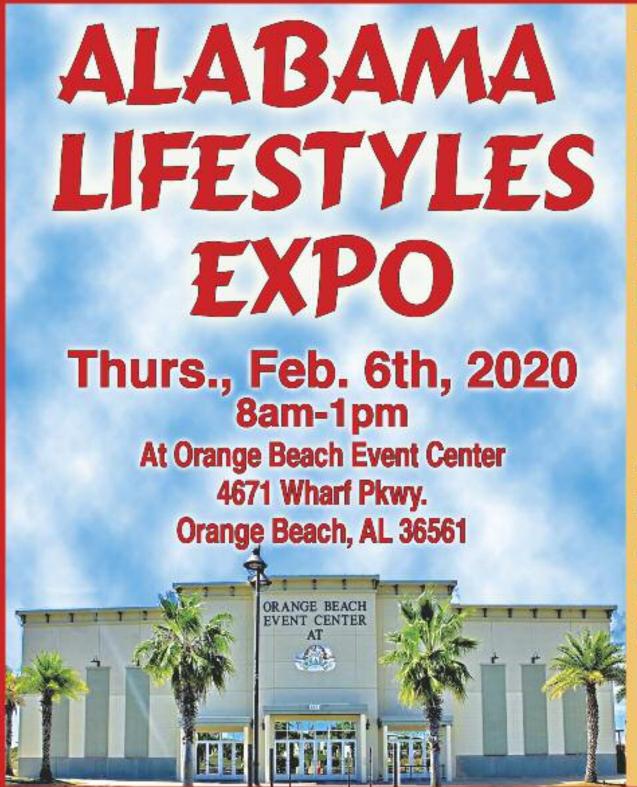






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