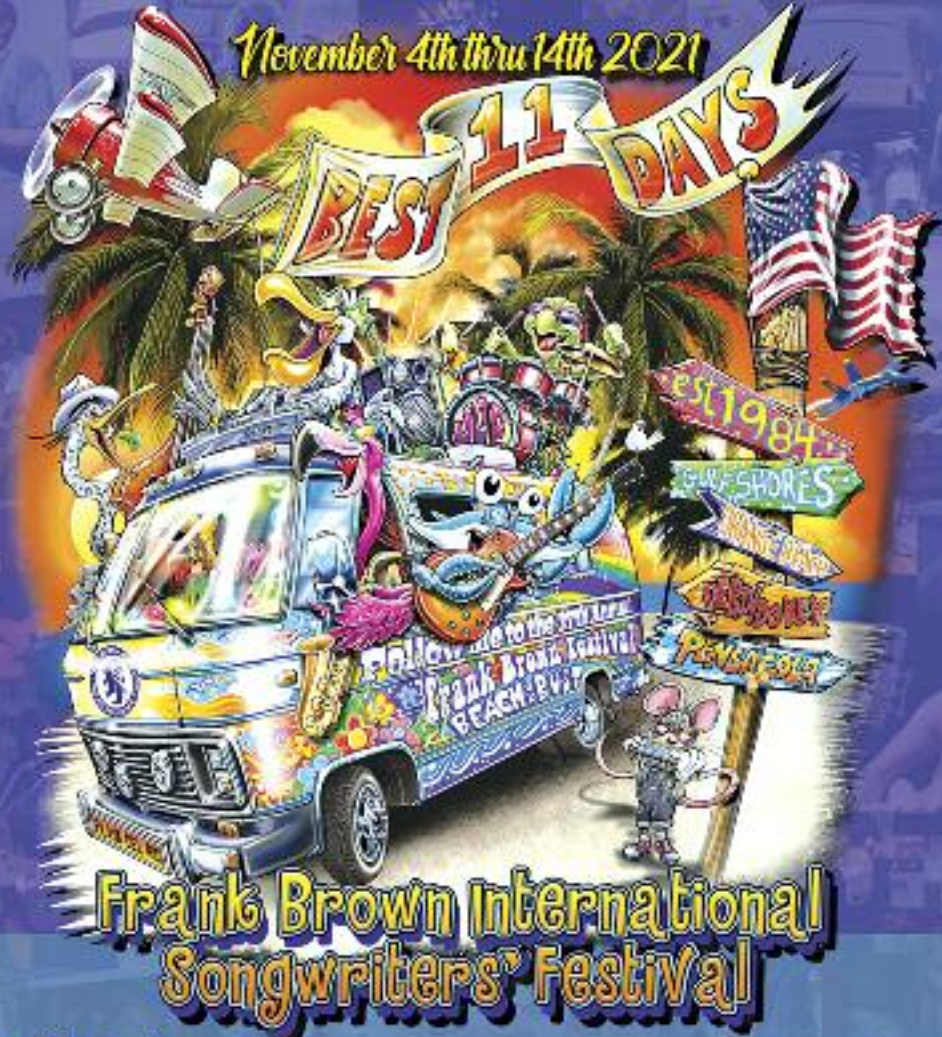


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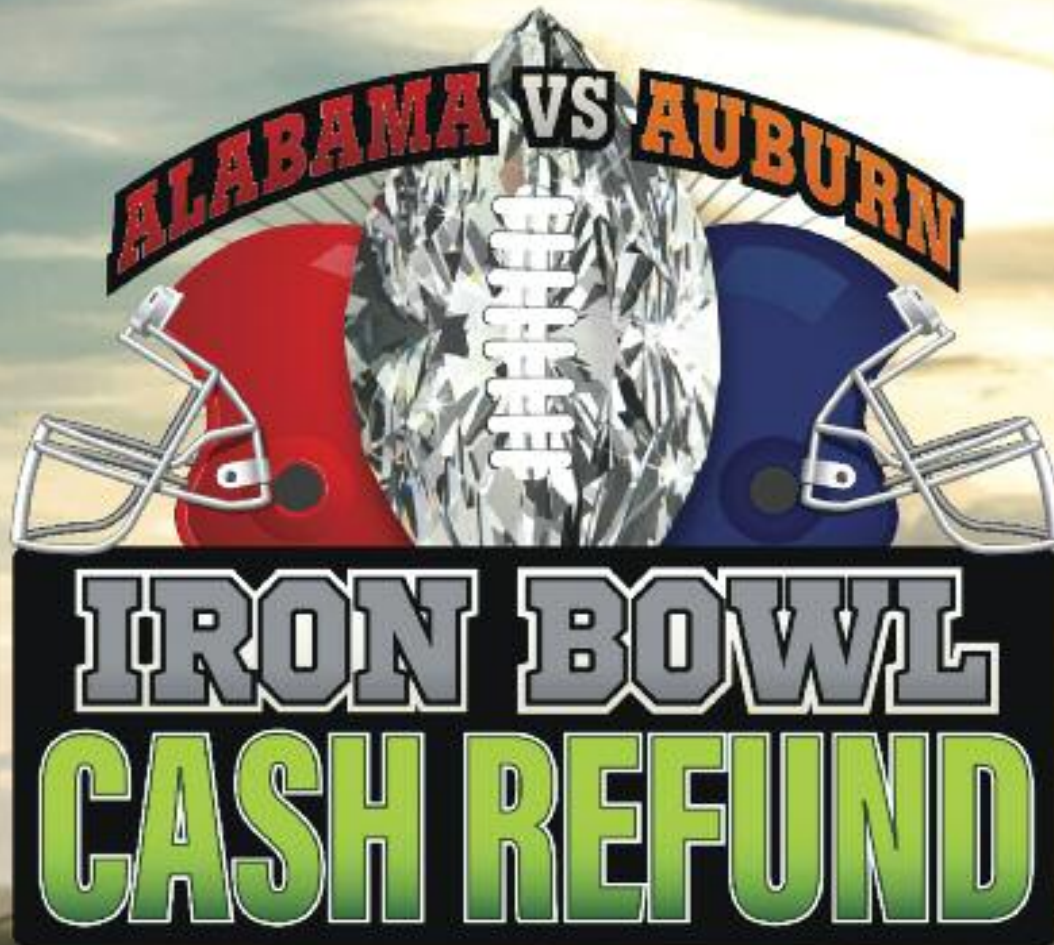
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Minimum age for licenses & mandatory inspections discussed for golf carts

Relocating major water line will delay East Canal Rd. widening project 'til fall of 2022

By John Mullen

In the state of Alabama, a 14-year-old can be licensed to drive a boat and motorcycle but the city of Orange Beach might require golf cart drivers to be 16 and have an automobile driver's license.

At the Oct. 19 city council regular session, there was a first reading of a new golf cart ordinance Orange Beach officials hope to have fully implemented by this spring. But Councilman Jeff Boyd has some concerns about the age 16 requirement.

"If someone's child has a driver's license with motorcycle and boating on it at the age of 14 which is legal, I think it's very difficult to tell that parent they can't drive a golf cart but they can drive a 125-cc motorcycle," Boyd said. "And I think that should be changed to 14 with a motorcycle endorsement on your license. I'm just putting myself in a position in my neighborhood with the dad coming to me and going this is nonsense and that's not the word he's going to use and having to argue that case."

Also, Boyd said, a 12-year-old can drive a boat with an adult aboard and he'd like to see something similar in the Orange Beach ordinance.

"We start hitting tough ground when we start changing the rules on a golf cart versus the boat," Boyd said. "To me with dad on the golf cart and he's 12 I don't have an issue with it but I think we're pushing it. I think if we get the 14 with an endorsement, I'm at least satisfied with it."

Police Chief Steve Brown had concerns similar to Boyd's. "I would agree with you because I have actually encountered that myself at Marina Road and 161 with someone that was licensed to operate a motorcycle and I started scratching my head," Brown said. "If they can operate the motorcycle, why can't they operate an electric golf cart?"

Other requirements, per state law, will be the golf carts must have lights, brake lights, blinkers and a windshield. Retrofitting to add those features will cost about \$600-\$800.

"We are enforcing the minimum required by state law," Mayor Tony Kennon said. "We're not asking for extras or anything more. I just hope people understand."

The process will start with inspections of golf carts at neighborhood gathering spots and each will require a sticker as well as the added lights and accessories. Fee structures are still being worked out with the cost of the decals as well as an estimated 184 signs the city has to put in neighborhoods where golf carts are legal, also per state law. Other signs will be needed at entrances to the Backcountry Trail and other places where golf carts aren't allowed.

One number bandied about is \$25 a year but Kennon said he wanted the city to at least charge enough to pay the cost of having police personnel inspect the carts, the decals and the signs.

"I don't know what the number is but I do think we need to recoup our costs," Kennon said. "We need to estimate and calculate costs and then come up with a fair number and we'll say guys this is our cost."

The biggest expense, City Administrator Ken Grimes said will be paying for the signs.

"We think a sign is going to be between \$12 and \$15 and every one of these streets has to have a new sign that we will attach hopefully to the speed limit signs," Grimes

said. "So, that's going to be a big chunk just some of that maintenance. So those are the costs that we're talking about that we've thought of so far but I'm sure they'll be other things that we'll find beyond the administration of it. It really isn't about the money but now we've got these costs that we have to because state law wants you to have that sign at every street."

East Canal Rd. widening delayed

In other Council news, relocation of a major waterline and complicated paperwork surrounding Restore Act funding have delayed the widening of Canal Road east of Hwy. 161 until the fall of 2022 at the earliest. City officials had hoped to begin the project before the end of 2021.

While there was no action item on the project it came up for discussion in the joint regular/work session of the city council on Oct. 19. The waterline runs the length of the project and unless relocated it would be under the newly widened roadway.

Mayor Tony Kennon was more pointed on the efforts to get the waterline moved so the project can begin. Plans are to make Canal Road from State Route 161 on the west to Wilson Boulevard on the east three lanes with a center turn lane to relieve traffic back ups from cars turning in the GTs By the Bay, the library/senior center and Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach as well as into neighborhoods along the roadway.

Between the library and the arts center a roundabout is planned to help get visitors back to Doc's without clogging up traffic in that busy 161/Canal Road intersection.

"I'm about fed up," Kennon said. "I really am at the point where if you've got to drag your own water authority along to get things done, enough's enough. It shouldn't be (complicated). It's real simple. We need Canal Road widened, we need the Orange Beach Water Authority to get in gear and get it done. How simple is that? We're ready to get it done. We're tired of dragging it out and it should have already been done."

Nicole Woerner was lauded for her work navigating the Restore Act process to hopefully get the \$1.2 million grant into city coffers.

The city will pay for a multi-modal sidewalk included in the project from Doc's to Wilson and it is included in the scope of work for the widening to save money by having one project design and one contractor handle it all.

Also during the meeting, City Administrator Ken Grimes also gave a report on the Oct. 9 Freedom Fest organized after the National Shrimp Festival was canceled on Sept. 9.

Grimes said a steady stream of visitors from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. made for a good crowd for this inaugural event. The city plans on making Freedom Fest an annual event on the same weekend as the Shrimp Festival.

"The Wharf sent us the traffic counters from the Freedom Fest," Grimes said. "Between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. their traffic counters around the property using that plus their formula they use for all their concerts and events they estimate somewhere in the vicinity of 15,200 people were on property during Freedom Fest. It was a huge success, obviously we saw that."

Kennon praised city staffer Jeanne Fitzgibbons for pulling together the festival in a month's time.

"Thank you again Jeanne (Fitzgibbons) and all the city employees that made it happen," Kennon said. "There's a lot of people who stepped up as volunteers, vendors, it was

a true team effort so thank y'all. Now we get to do Seafood Fest in February."

During the regular session, the council:

- Approved a special events retail liquor license application by Event Concessions for the Kip Moore Concert on Nov. 13 at The Wharf's Port venue.

- Awarded a bid to Finishing Solutions of \$464,000 to complete roof repairs after damage from the April 10 hail storm. Johns and Kirksey submitted the only other bid and it was for \$615,000.

- Approved a resolution awarding the bid for Backcountry Trail Post-Hurricane Sally Repairs to Asphalt Services, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$170,977.70.

- OK'd a resolution establishing rates for health and dental insurance for employees with slight increases in employee contributions. For example, starting in January of 2022, an employee with family coverage would pay an increase of \$8.64 per month or \$103.68 extra per year. City documents show the family plan will cost employees \$224.64 per month with the city contributing \$1,210.70 for a total of \$1,435.34

- OK'd a resolution authorizing the purchase of stop loss insurance for the for FY2022. In 2020, the city had a stop loss threshold of \$100,000 meaning the city would be reimbursed for any amount above \$100,000 but the annual premium was \$500,000. Raising the threshold to \$200,000 dropped the premium to \$167,976 in 2021 and the threshold for 2022 will again by \$200,000 with a premium of \$173,240.

- OK'd a resolution authorizing an agreement for Southern Rapid Care to provide physicals for city firefighters.

- OK'd a resolution authorizing to a parcel of land at 25930 Bonita Ave. from Donald R. Lyons, Jr., and Starla Paul for \$220,000. It abuts four other lots the city owns at the intersection of State Route 161 and Bonita Avenue. The city announced at the Oct. 5 council meetings it has an agreement with South Baldwin Regional Medical Center to build an 11,000 medical building with an imaging center and doctors' offices.

- OK'd a resolution authorizing an agreement with CSpire to connect fiber to the Wildlife Center on the northwest corner of the recreation complex on Canal Road. A new Wildlife Center and Trail Barn is planned for Powerline Road but it has been delayed due to lack of materials and a backlog of work by potential contractors.

- OK'd a resolution awarding Officer Brock Palmer his duty weapon and badge as part of his retirement benefits.

- Approved the sale of the Orange Beach Medical Arts Building on the northwest corner of the intersection of State Route 161 and Bonita Avenue. It is being purchased by Southern Rapid Care the city's medical provider. The council suspended the rules to consider this sale and passed it on a 6-0 vote.

During the work session, the council discussed:

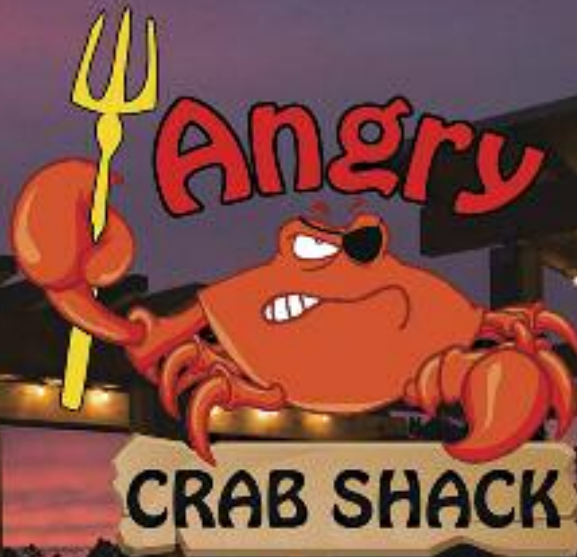
- A resolution authorizing a contract with J. F. Morris Performance for theater performance direction and choreography for "Thoroughly Modern Millie" for \$15,250, plus pre-approved expense. The production is expected to be part of the spring season at the Performing Arts Center. Performances are scheduled for Feb. 4-6 and Feb. 11-13.

- A resolution authorizing electrical changes at the Performing Arts Center in an amount not to exceed \$27,318 including a power upgrade on the stage to run digital boards.

- A resolution authorizing a contract with the Coastal Ballet Company for The Nutcracker at the Performing Arts Center. The play will be on Dec. 2, 2022, at 6 p.m., Dec. 3, 2022, at 2 p.m., Dec. 1, 2023 at 6 p.m. and Dec. 2, 2023 at 2 p.m.

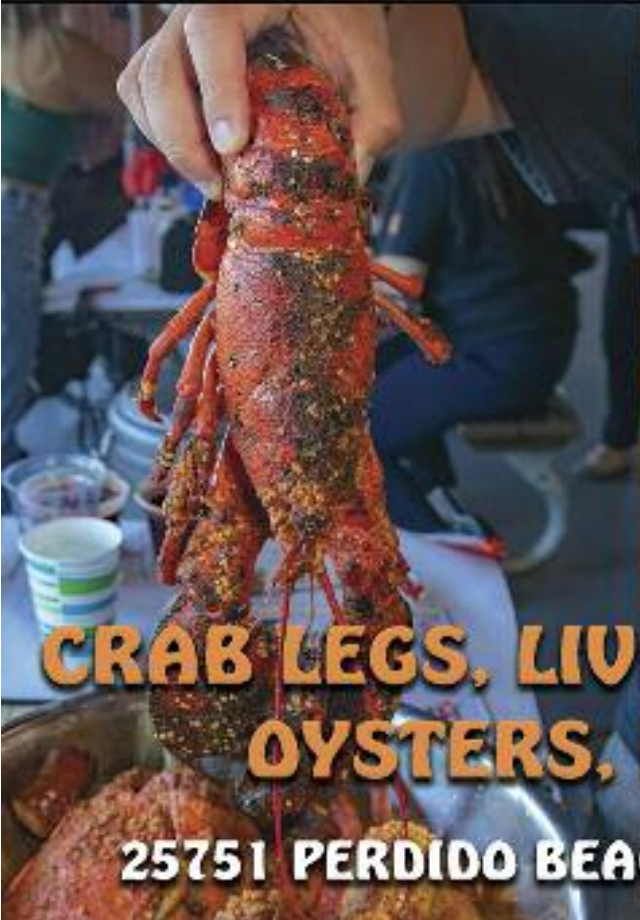
- A resolution awarding the proposal for Alabama Point seawall repair design.

- A resolution authorizing the execution of a Service Agreement with ThreatAdvice for IT services related to cyber security.



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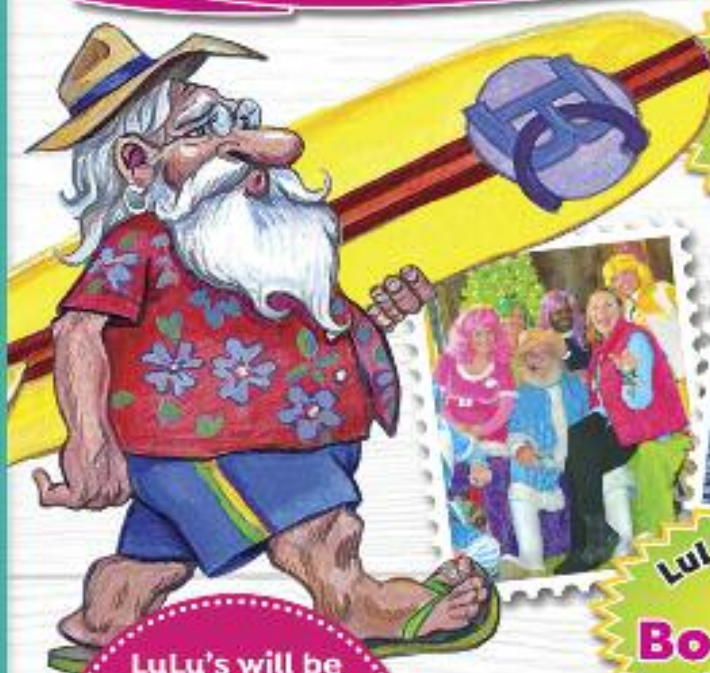


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Construction begins for \$9.7 million Gulf Coast Center for Ecotourism and Sustainability

Mayor says this could be start of city's emergence as center for Gulf research, education

By Fran Thompson

It may seem like a stretch to compare the Gulf Coast Eco Center coming soon to Gulf Shores with the space program that transformed small town Huntsville into the largest city in Alabama.

But Jean-Michel Cousteau is onboard, and the son of the famed oceanographer and underwater filmmaker, Jacques Cousteau, was in Gulf Shores to help Mayor Robert Craft and other city officials break ground for the Gulf Coast Center for Ecotourism and Sustainability (GCCES) to be located on a 12 acre building site located between the city's school complex and Gulf State Park. The build site is contiguous with 100 acres of mostly wetlands owned by the city. Mayor Craft said that just like the Rocket City is synonymous with NASA and its space program, Gulf Shores could be the center of research and education for all thing concerning the Gulf of Mexico.

"We've got a NASA Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville. I want us to have a comparable position - an ocean center for lack of a better term," Craft said. "I know we've got the Gulf, not an ocean, but space and ocean. I think we can do that

in Alabama, and this is how we start."

Cousteau's innovative education program, Ambassadors of the Environment, will be at the forefront of the Center For EcoTourism.

"I'm emotionally involved because everything I've attempted to do, my father attempted to do, my team has attempted to do is happening, happening, happening," Cousteau said. "The future decision makers - young people - are making better decisions already."

Ambassadors to the Environment connects participants with their natural and cultural environment through overnight camps focused on active, hands-on outdoor experiences with a curriculum developed for students in grades 4-12.

Construction of the Eco Center will begin in early 2022 and completion is scheduled by March of 2023. The \$9.7 million Restore Act-funded project will be a center for programs promoting sustainable tourism, environmental awareness, and stewardship of natural resources. The theory is that what's good for the Gulf of Mexico is good for a tourist economy that is centered around the Gulf.

The city's total Restore Act funding gen-

erated from a settlement with BP following the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill is \$41.8 million, including \$4.4 million to extend the Fort Morgan Trail, \$5.9 million for the Little Lagoon Restoration project and \$21.7 million for traffic capacity improvements, including Canal Road.

The Eco Center will include a great hall, a dining area, offices, classrooms, outdoor learning spaces, gardens, greenhouses, laboratories, instructor housing and team-building areas. The build-out will utilize the latest technology in sustainable building design.

The Eco Center staff and Cousteau will produce programs in cooperation with the nearby Gulf State Park Learning Campus and utilize GSP's backcountry trails, lakes, beaches and buildings as part of its curriculum.

Other partners include Valor Hospitality, Gulf Shores & Orange Beach Tourism, Gulf Shores City Schools, with cooperation from numerous environmental and ecotourism entities.

Research universities, environmental education groups and businesses are potential partners. Regional school districts will also have access to the programs.

Cousteau's environmental program has campuses all around the world

Filmmaker, explorer, and ocean advocate Jean-Michel Cousteau (pictured), like his famous father, has devoted his life to protecting the world's oceans. He founded the Ocean Futures Society and Ambassadors of the Environment to carry on his father's pioneering work and continue the family legacy of conservation and education.



In addition to Gulf Shores, his Ambassadors of the Environment has programs in Hawaii, California, the Caribbean, Mexico, and the Maldives. The program will offer many of its programs at the Learning Campus at Gulf State Park.

Like his father, Cousteau has spent much of his life investigating the world's oceans aboard Calypso and Alcyone while dedicating himself and his vast experience to communicate to people of all nations and generations his love and concern for our water planet.

Fines from BP oil spill will be used to teach future generations to protect environment

Cousteau associate Travis Langen already teaching students that nature is self sustaining

By John Mullen

It's fitting that fines generated from the 2010 BP oil spill will be earmarked for teaching future generations to protect the environment through the Gulf Coast Eco Center.

"We want to get people to understand the region, understand the environment and understand how tourism can actually positively impact a place by basically leaving it better than they found it," said Travis Langen with the Center for Ecotourism.

"The model is that we show kids how nature works, and then you realize that nature works really well at conserving resources at being self-sustaining of its system, so we have a lot of lessons we as humans can learn from nature," said Langen.

The curriculum, designed in collaboration with the Gulf Shores State Park Nature Center, will focus on beach ecology, environmental conservation, and sustainability in nature and communities. Students will participate in field studies and ecological restoration activities in the State Park and Gulf Shores area, as well as team-building exercises, kayaking, hiking, organic gardening

and much more.

Other programs will include day programs for local school groups and Gulf Coast tourists and visitors, weekend retreats, arts & ecology summer camps, family camps, and special events and workshops. The Center will also engage universities and industry groups throughout the region to establish partnerships and develop programs

that will support the economy and enhance the quality of life along the Gulf Coast.

"At the time of the oil spill, I didn't know what our future would be and knowing that the Exxon Valdez is like 30 years and it's still a dead zone in the ocean," Craft said at the Oct. 25 council meeting. "I feared greatly that the things that we had and that we knew were changing and I did not know. You look and see that oil wash up on that beach and I thought our quality of life and our lifestyle were threatened."

City leaders, including Craft, started exploring ways to preserve the coastal environment and



teach younger generations about the importance of sustaining it for the economy of the Alabama Gulf Coast.

“When the oil was in the water and the oil was on the beach nobody came,” Craft said. “Everything we have is dependent on our environment.”

Craft was aware of Jean-Michel Cousteau’s Oceans Future Society and his Ambassadors of the Environment program when his daughter worked at the Cousteau’s center on Catalina Island in California and at one in Hawaii.

A leading member of Cousteau’s team and former long-time director of the Catalina Island program, Travis Langen, was hired by the city to implement those programs here. On Oct. 25 Cousteau came to town and spoke to the city council and on Oct. 27 participated in the ground-saving ceremony.

“Let’s never forget that we’re all connected to every species on land, in the ocean, animals, plants and the diversity of stability,” Cousteau told the council. “We cannot afford losing species. We are connected to nature and we need to do everything we can to make something that will never disappear. If you protect the ocean, you protect yourself. Remember when it rains that’s the ocean. When you’re drinking a glass of water, you’re drinking the ocean. When you’re skiing, you’re skiing on the ocean. There’s one single system that we need to project which we all depend on, every plant, every animal.”

A delegation from Gulf Shores including Craft and Ty Warren of the Gulf State Park Enhancement Program visited the program on Catalina Island in 2013 and in 2014.

Developing a center on the Gulf Coast was documented in the city’s Vision 2025 plan.

“The city wants to build an eco center here and camp facilities similar to what we have on Catalina Island,” Langen said.

Ironically, fine money from that 2010 oil spill will pay for the center. The city was able to get \$9.7 million in Restore Act money to fund the program in 2018 and officials say the design is complete and hopes are construction will begin before the end of the year. The target date for opening is winter

of 2022.

In 2019, Langen left the Catalina Island program to begin developing the new facility using assets at the Gulf State Park Learning Campus.

“It’s been a really fun project, it’s been a crazy few years,” Langen said. “We’ve had a lot of collectively ups and downs these last couple of years but we’ve made great headway in the development of that program.”

Most of his time has been spent working with Gulf Shores City Schools and running summer camps for kids to teach them about the environment’s vital

“It’s real simple. We need Canal Road widened. We need the Orange Beach Water Authority to get in gear and get it done. How simple is that? We’re ready to get it done.”


role.

“It is a pleasure and a privilege and I am very honored to be part of this experience that is taking place here where I had the privilege of seeing a lot of young people and decision makers of tomorrow,” Cousteau said. “I can tell you there is hope. We’re going to do it. If I didn’t have this privilege of being connected with those children I may wonder about the future of our species.”

Other summer activities already being run by Langen and his team include bike tours of the state park, working on the elementary school, Little Lagoon programs, studying at the Gulf State Park Pier and kayaking.

“We did a summer camp with Gulf Shores Elementary and we had about 150 students for five weeks. We’re doing all sorts of fun programs at the Learning Campus at Gulf State Park,” Langen said. “We had a fantastic summer with a total of about 220 kids. It was our most successful summer ambassadors’ program to day and we look to expand each year.”





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Robertsdale's Nov. 6 Honeybee Fest includes 5K, John Hart Project

The Honeybee Festival returns to downtown Robertsdale Nov. 6, after being postponed in 2020 due to Hurricane Sally. A fundraiser for the Central Baldwin Education Foundation, the fest includes an 8 a.m. 5K/Fun Run, a chili cook-off, arts & crafts vendors, food trucks, a children's village, pony rides, bounce houses and games. It will be held at Honeybee Park at 22780 Hwy. 59.

Strictly Rivers (9:30 a.m.), This Side of 49 (10:30 a.m.) and The John Hart Project (12 p.m.) will provide live entertainment. Little Miss Honeybee, Little Miss Charity, Young Miss Honeybee, Young Miss Charity, Miss Photogenic, Miss Congeniality & Most Creative & Queen of Honeybee Queens will be presented.

The Robertsdale Centennial Committee and Centennial Queens will sell commemorative coins, coffee mugs and hats and pass out balloons to children.

Pictured: Honey vendors participating in the last Honeybee Fest included Sweet Bee Farm, Persimmon Creek Honey, Lands Honey Company, Baldwin County Beekeepers and Coastal Honey Farm.

O.B. Performing Arts Center grand opening Nov. 16

The City of Orange Beach will host a grand opening for its Performing Arts Center on Tuesday, Nov. 16 from 3:30-5 p.m. The Orange Beach City Council Meeting follows at the same location at 5 p.m.

In addition to facility tours, the festive grand opening will include music, refreshments and previews of the city's Expect Excellence theater production of Visions of Christmas. The Performing Arts Center is located at 23908 Canal Rd., adjacent to the city's high school/middle school that opened in August of 2020. For more info, email O.B. Creative Director Jessica Langston at jjlangston@orangebeachal.gov.

The initial cost of the center was estimated at \$8.6 million with the Baldwin County Board of Education paying \$1.4 million of that cost. Additions pushed the final price close to \$11 million. The 28,000-square-foot facility includes a 710-seat theater, a band room, a black box theater, a dance room and an orchestra pit. It will be used extensively for both student and community events. And it is spectacular.

Air traffic control tower opens at Jack Edwards

Gulf Shores will host a Nov. 4 town hall meeting (6 p.m. at the Erie Myer Civic Center) in advance of its Nov. 10 ribbon cutting to announce completion of the air traffic control tower at Jack Edwards National Airport. Construction of the 8-story tower, located on the south side of the airfield, started in September of 2020.

The new tower was made possible through \$6.13 million in grant funding from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Cares Act.

"This full-service airport is an outstanding asset creating jobs and diversification opportunities for new and existing businesses," said Gulf Shores Mayor Robert Craft. "It is vital to the development and continued economic growth of the area."

Mayor Craft said the tower will allow for increased safety at the airport and the addition of commercial flights could lessen traffic pressure on Hwy. 59. With the tower, the airport will be able to accommodate 737-class jets carrying 180 passengers.

Several commercial passenger airline companies will now be able to schedule regular flights in and out of Jack Edwards.

"There are a lot of airlines out there that will not fly into an uncontrolled airport so this opens that door up, yes but we've needed it," said Airport Manager, Scott Fuller. "There are a lot of aircraft that won't fly into here because of the congestion."

James Griner will lead a team of five other controllers as the air traffic manager at Jack Edwards. The tower will be operational daily from 7 a.m. 'til 9 p.m. Griner comes to Gulf Shores from Key West where he worked for Robinson Aviation one of three major ATC contractor firms in the Federal Contract Tower program in the U.S.



Visions of Christmas Nov. 17-18 at O.B. Performing Arts Center

The City of Orange Beach Expect Excellence Music Department will present Visions of Christmas, a live on-stage variety show, Nov. 17-18 at 7 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center located on the Orange Beach High School campus. The E.E. music program provides instruction in all aspects of the music, from voice and instrument instruction to sound engineering and production, for Orange Beach students.

The program is the brain child of Expect Excellence Music Department. E.E. Music Director Caleb Pittman and is patterned after the University of Mobile's annual Christmas Spectacular. Several members of the E.E. Music Department have first-hand experience with the UM production, after helping produce the program as undergraduates, according to Pittman.

"Visions of Christmas is a community-based variety show. We wanted to invite the community to join us. And, this is an opportunity for the average Joe, who wonders what performing on stage is like, to help in the creation of something special," Pittman said. "We felt like it would give everyone something to look forward to, after the past year we've had."

Participants in the show span all ages from 6th graders to 80 year-olds. A wide variety of musical styles will be presented including: classical; rock; and jazz. In addition, Pittman said, there will also be some comedy mixed into the program. While the initial ideas for V.O.C. began in late 2020, the planning and musical arrangements began in earnest in January. Several songs were given new arrangements and sheet music that didn't exist had to be created from scratch, Pittman said.

For tickets, visit orangebeachal.gov/events. Adult tickets are \$25, Children's tickets (6-18) are \$10, and Kids 5 and under are admitted free.



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Veteran's Day Celebrations & Ceremonies



"We The People" Jeep raffle Nov. 11 at 'Bama

The raffle supporting the mission of Operation ReConnect for a customized 2020 "We The People Jeep," a Wrangler JL Sahara, will be held on Veteran's Day, November 11 at the Flora-Bama. The Jeep has been on display in front of the Flora-Bama since last spring in anticipation of the 4 p.m. drawing. Flora-Bama's celebration will include musical shout-outs to veterans.

Tickets are still available online at operationreconnect.org or in person at the 'Bama up until 3 p.m. on Nov. 11. Tickets are \$20 each, 10 for \$100 and 50 for \$500. The one-of-a-kind fully-customized Sahara is pure American ingenuity at it's finest with features that include Hand-Painted Graphics by Bufkin Air Design, Rough Country parts & accessories, 16-million color accessory lighting with interior fiber optics, a custom LED hitch receiver by 1st Amendment Hitch Covers, embroidered interior seats with an Operation ReConnect emblem and hand painted 20" Rockstar II Matte Black Wheels w/ 35" Nitro Trail Grappler tires.

Operation Re-Connect is a local charity founded by Ryan Charrier. Its mission is to provide beach-front accommodations for a week free of charge to returning Armed Services members and their families, serving every branch and rank including Active, Guard and Reservists.

World War I & II Memories exhibit 'til Dec. 11 at Heritage Museum

The Baldwin County Heritage Museum's WWI & WWII-Memories of Baldwin County exhibit will open through December 11. Admission is free, and the museum is located at 25521 Hwy 98 E; in Elberta. Hours are Wed. - Sat. from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The exhibit, supported by a Grant from the Alabama Bicentennial Commission Foundation, pays tribute to Baldwin County's men, women, places and activities during the war years.

Using artifacts and information gathered from individuals, newspapers and other media, the exhibit provides a historical connection of the wars' impact on Baldwin County by focusing on the local military personnel who served in both wars, the top secret project Operation Ivory Soap, the German mission Operation Drumbeat in the Gulf of Mexico and the Outer Landing Fields for the Navy. More info: 251-986-8375; bchm@gulfnet.com or facebook.

Nov. 6 Fairhope Veteran's Day Parade starts at Civic Center

Fairhope will pay homage to the nation's veterans through an annual Veterans Day parade. The parade will be on November 6 at 10 a.m. and will begin and end at the Fairhope Civic Center. The parade provides the public with the opportunity to salute and honor our local veteran community. Leading the parade will be Fairhope's 2021 Veteran of the Year. More info: 251-929-1466.

Trop Rock For Our Vets is Nov. 11 at Fairhope Legion

American Legion Post 199 in Fairhope will present The First Annual Trop Rock For Our Vets, November 11 beginning at noon.

Tickets are \$10/person in advance, \$20 the day of. Lunch will be served starting at 11 a.m.

for \$12 a plate. Veterans with proper ID get in free and will get a free lunch. Tickets



can be purchased at trockforourvets.com

Proceeds from the concert will help support the American Legion Post 199 with the restoration of its building.

It will be a day of remembrance and celebration for those who served, continue to serve, and who gave the ultimate sacrifice to keep America safe. In addition to formal ceremonies, the American Legion Post 199 will present a special concert featuring six of the country's top and most exciting Trop Rock artists including Bob Durand, Aubrey Wollett, Steve Hopper, Bryton Stoll, Brent Burns and Eric Erdman. Trop Rock is a genre of popular music that incorporates elements and influences of rock, reggae, country, calypso, zyedeco and pop music, all inspired and celebrating the island style.

Pictured: Two time Trop Rock Entertainer of the Year Brent Burns.

Free breakfast for vets Nov. 13 at G.S. Legion

American Legion Post 44 in Gulf Shores will serve free breakfast to all veterans from 8:30 - 10 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 13. Post volunteers will be serving at the free breakfasts (others can eat for \$5), which are held the second Saturday of each month. Post 44, is located at 6781 Gulf Shores Pkwy. More info: 251-948-6119.



Nov. 11 Foley Veteran's Day Parade starts at Max Griffin Park

The Annual American Legion Post 99 Veteran's Day Parade and Wreath Laying Ceremony which will be held on Monday, November 11 at Max Griffin Park in Foley. Parade units will begin lining up at 9 a.m. Parade will begin at 10 a.m. and follow the normal parade route.



Lead units will start at the corner of Verbena and South Alston, lining up around Max Griffin Park on Verbena, South Pine and West Roosevelt St.

For more info or to participate in the parade, call Jay Ryan at 251-228-1206. This event is in honor of all veterans and first responders. Following the parade, which

will end back at Max Griffin Park, parade participants and the public are invited to American Legion Post 99 at 2101 South McKenzie Street (Hwy. 59) for the official Veteran's Day ceremony. The Legion will provide free food and entertainment following the ceremony.



Nov. 11 Fairhope sunset prayer service at Henry George Park

A Veterans Day Sunset Prayer Service will be held on Nov. 11 at 4:45 p.m. at the Veteran's Memorial, Tears of Sorrow, Tears of Joy in Henry George Park located at the Mobile Bay overlook at the foot of Fairhope Ave. in downtown Fairhope.

Pictured: The Tears of Sorrow, Tears of Joy Memorial honors all veterans and their families. The wife is holding an American flag folded into a triangle. It symbolizes all the soldiers, husbands and dads that didn't come home from the war.



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Scheduler/webmaster Cynthia Adams is ready for marathon

By Fran Thompson

Following a Covid dominated year that saw the FBISF shrink from 11 to five days, the fest is back running at capacity, and so is Cynthia Adams, the woman tasked with matching writers with venues.

"Last year was a cakewalk," Adams said from her Georgia home a couple weeks before heading for the Gulf Coast and an event for which she also serves as webmaster and oversees production of the fest program, which she also composes, designs and edits. "I actually had energy the day after last year's fest," she added. "Usually after 11 days, I disconnect for two full days and watch Hallmark movies on television. It's normally eleven straight days of sensory overload. It's a marathon."

In addition to keeping the website updated during a fest that is free flowing by design, Adams answers calls from writers with questions that range from paychecks to directions to gigs and a hot meal.

Besides a new group of Nashville writers, the fest will feature some new venues such as Johnny Barbato's Front Porch in Lillian, Fresh Off The Boat in Orange Beach and From The Ground Up Community Garden in Pensacola.

"A couple dozen younger writers from Nashville are coming and they will add complexity. We usually group them together," she said. "These up-and-coming writers all know each other. Some have had hits. They are too young for the Hall of Fame, but they are really good writers."

The responsibility of matching writers with venues can be stressful, but Adams is not complaining. She loves her job and she loves the fest.

"It's the stories behind the songs. They are like golden nuggets to the audience," she said. "What spurred them to write it? Hearing the writers tell those stories allows the songs to come to fruition. Each audience member goes home with a nugget."

Adams said during a good set, the audience becomes one of the song's instruments. And it is that connection between writer and

audience that allows for spontaneous magic moments.

"The underlying thread is like Joe (FBISF founder Joe Gilchrist) says, 'music makes the world a better place,' and we are in a climate where the world could use a little sunshine," she said. "This festival has survived all these years despite hurricanes, an economic crisis, a pandemic. So many things. But it is still a beautiful thing where magic happens."

Close to 200 songwriters will perform some of the biggest hits in modern music during the event. And while the Flora-Bama is the base for the fest, venues involved stretch from Summerdale (The Frog Pond) to Pensacola (The Oar House). Writers trade songs and stories on stage and sets can turn quickly into spellbinding jam sessions.

Gilchrist, also co-owner of the Flora-Bama, founded the FBISF in 1984 as a way to celebrate the end of the season with local artists, visiting Nashcats and other musical friends. Gilchrist was sponsoring his songwriting friends for shows at the Flora-Bama in the off-season prior to 1984. But the first official FBISF was held at The Saenger Theatre in Pensacola. Gilchrist said he lost \$10,000 on the venture.

"After that, I figured if I was going to lose that kind of money, I might as well have it at my own place," he said.

The festival thrived at the Flora-Bama with 11 nights of non-stop music - usually ending with Gilchrist buying a round for the diehards at 2 a.m. - until 1994, when event director Bruce Glassell spearheaded an effort to share the musical wealth throughout the community.

The festival is fluid by nature, meaning the schedule is subject to change. Even if you have a printed schedule, it is best to check FrankBrownSongwriters.com daily for updated info.

"We are nice people who are respectful," said Gilchrist.

"Quite frequently, these writers are unappreciated even within the music business. We're glad to provide a listening environment where they can play, and it's not background music. It's living music that professes emotions and feelings that all of us have, but very few of us know how to express."

Jason Aldean and Thompson Square are among Nashville stars that played the festival before their careers took off.

"Record Labels In Independent World" Seminar Nov. 6

Sean Gasaway will present a free seminar titled "Songwriting, Music Publishing & Record Labels In An Independent World" on Nov. 6 from 10 a.m. 'til 2 p.m. at the Flora-Bama Dome Stage.

Gasaway has been in the music business for over 25 years, and has had songs published in all major genres. A Mississippi native, he has toured and written songs with 3 Doors Down, Cowboy Troy, Mickie James and The Ying Yang Twins. He holds major publishing deals in every country in the world, garnering over 200 revenue earning copyrights, four #1 songs on the Americana and Independent charts, six Top 40 on Billboard and Independent Charts, songs in major movies, documentaries, and NFL Sports.

Open mic & jam opportunities at Bama most afternoons

Sign up and sing a song or two during open mic sessions held almost daily during the fest in the Flora-Bama Main Room. Hosted by Don and Karen McNatt, the open mic sessions are from 1-3 p.m. Nov. 4-5 and 1-5 p.m. Nov. 8, 9, 10, 11 & 13. The open mics are among the most laid back FBISF experiences and it is not unusual for a Hall of Fame writer to follow an aspiring teenager from Pleasure Island.

T-bone Montgomery and Rhonda Hart will host respective open jams on Nov. 9 & 10 on the Flora-Bama dome stage from 6-11 p.m.

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Writers at Flora-Bama Central Church Nov. 7 & 14

Songwriters will join the Flora-Bama Central Church band and Pastor Rick Long on Nov. 7 and Nov. 14 at both the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. under the Flora-Bama big top tent. The Flora-Bama service is proud to bill itself as a "judgement free zone," and guests are always welcomed joyfully. Guest writers include Melissa Joiner, Mark Brook, Denorah Reed and Jerry Sally at 9 a.m., and Ken Lambert, Bobby Keel and Stephen Lee Veal at 11 a.m. on Nov. 7, and Taylor Craven, Troy Martin, Amanda Pruitt & Justin Wall at 9 a.m., and Mitch Clark, Sean Gasaway, and Mary Sarah at 11 a.m. on Nov. 14.

FBISF fundraiser for Autism Pensacola is Nov. 10

By John Mullen

When the first fundraiser at Sunset Cork Room for Autism Pensacola was complete the effort raised a modest \$200. They've had it annually in conjunction with the Frank Brown International Songwriters' Festival for several years except for 2020 when the pandemic prompted shortening the fest to one four day weekend.

"We charged a \$5 cover charge that all went to Autism Pensacola and then we passed the hat a few times," Sunset owner Nina Martin said. "We didn't know what to do. We did this for two years I think."

In 2017, the fundraising committee decided to raise money with a silent auction and by 2019 the FBISF Autism Awareness Night collected more than \$7,500 through the silent auction. After the year's break because of COVID, the group is hoping to top that number with the 2021 event.

"Our mission with this Silent Auction is to provide opportunities for local children the opportunity to attend summer camp and other enriching activities," Silent Auction Committee Chair Pat Stout said. "It is our hope with love and compassion to give them a voice of empowerment to be able to contribute back to the community. I sincerely thank each and every one of our generous donors from the bottom of my heart."

If the room packed with items (see slide show at the bottom of the story) in the auction is any indication it looks like that goal will be easily surpassed. Bidding can begin on Nov. 2 at Sunset Cork Room with high-quality experiences, handmade crafts, clothes and furniture and many items with a "buy it now" price tag. The concert and culmination of the fundraiser will be on Nov. 10 with songwriters volunteering to provide entertainment and the silent auction ending at 8 p.m.

"How it all got started was there was a lady that knew a lot of folks within the Frank Brown organization and they came and asked me if I'd do it," Martin said. "They put it out to all of the songwriters and those that wanted to donate their time to sing did that, too."

This year eight songwriters will perform including Mary Sarah, a top-five finisher on The Voice, and guitar virtuoso Mac Walter. A special guest will also be among those taking the stage. "Logan Blade is a 21-year-old autistic child that cannot speak but he can sing," Stout said. "It's amazing. You get chill bumps."

Some of the top prizes include a sunset cruise for eight, a Cruisin Tiki trip for six, four rounds of golf at top-rated local golf courses that includes a golf cart and cooler of drinks, a Blue Chair Rum guitar signed by Kenny Chesney, two dinner and show packages from OWA.



Chapel Hart creating a buzz in Music City & beyond

Chapel Hart, an all-female trio featuring two sisters from Poplarville, Mississippi and their cousin, will play five FBISF sets between Nov. 11-14, including a 7 p.m. gig on Nov. 13 at Perdido Beach Resort.

The trio was inducted into the CMT Next Women of Country Class of 2021 and are nominated for Album of the Year and Group of the Year by the Women of Country Music, Best of 2021. Their just released second album, The Girls Are Back in Town, is unabashedly country with a rock attitude mixed with contemporary cuts to appeal to a wide cross section of the country genre.



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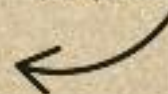
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Kick-off Party Nov. 3 at Perdido Sports Bar

Rick Whaley will host the annual festival kick-off party Nov. 3 at 6 p.m. at the Perdido Sports Bar. The kick-off party was originally billed as a local songwriters appreciation night and was brought to the fest in the early 1990's by then Characters owner Elaine Webster. Gale & Larry Book, songwriters themselves, continued the tradition when they bought and re-named the bistro Characters Songwriters Cafe in the late 1990's. Characters, like most of Perdido Key, washed away during Hurricane Ivan in September of 2004. Dallas Moore will keep the kick-off party going with a 10:30 p.m. show at the Flora-Bama.

Lynn Rabren's Stories in Rhyme Nov. 5 & 12

"Stories in Rhyme," an FBISF documentary from long-time fest supporter Lynn Rabren, will screen in the Flora-Bama Main Room on both Nov. 5 and Nov. 12 at 1 p.m. The documentary includes interviews and music from little known as well as legendary singer/songwriters who have played at the fest.

Concert part of FBISF exhibit at G.S. Museum

Gulf Shores Museum is exhibiting FBISF artifacts and memorabilia this month and will host a Nov. 5 concert at 4 p.m. featuring Justin Fobes & Summerlyn Powers.

WWE champ part of Native American tribute Nov. 6

A Native American songwriters tribute in honor of Native American Heritage Month will be held on the Flora-Bama's Tent Stage on Nov. 6 from 3-5 p.m. Guests will include Andrea Benz, Sean Gasaway, Native American Music Awards winner Crystal Shawanda, six-time WWE champion Mickie James Aldis and DeWayne Strobel.

Jo Billups' ABC's of Ecology show Nov. 6 at library

Children are especially welcome at Jo Billups ABC's of Ecology presentation at Southwest Branch Library (2248 Gulf Beach Hwy. in Pensacola) on Nov. 6. Shows are from 11 a.m. 'til noon and 2-3 p.m. A singer-songwriter and children's book author, Billups has made it her mission to teach children through books and music. And she continues to prove time and again that teaching children about the issues threatening the environment today can also be fun and entertaining.

"The goal is to motivate kids through stories and songs to care for the planet and all living things," Billups said. "Our philosophy is that we are guests on this planet and we are given the task to care for it and its inhabitants for many generations to come."

Catherine Powers signs book about Freddy Nov. 6

Catherine Powers will sign copies of her book, "The Spree of 83 - The Life and Times of Freddy Powers," on Saturday, Nov. 6 from 3-5 p.m. at the Flora-Bama. A lauded songwriter, producer and musician, Freddy Powers was an FBISF regular who moved to this area later in life. He died in 2016 at age 84 after a long battle with

Parkinson's disease. The native Texan penned a string of hits for Merle Haggard, including "Let's Chase Each Other Around the Room." He wrote George Jones' chart-topping "I Always Get Lucky With You" and was a long-time friend and sometime bandmate of Willie Nelson. He co-produced Nelson's 1981 platinum album, *Somebody Over the Rainbow*. Catherine Powers' memoir covers Freddy's life growing up in Texas, playing residencies in Vegas and Reno, moving here and working with a Who's Who of country music for more than 50 years.

Hank Locklin documentary Nov. 7 at 'Bama

A screening of "Hank Locklin: Country Music's Timeless Tenor" will be shown in the Flora-Bama Main Room on Nov. 7 at 2 p.m. Produced by WSRE in Pensacola, the documentary includes footage from Locklin's first performance as a Grand Ole Opry member on November 12, 1960. A Grand Ole Opry member for 47 years, the Northwest Florida native helped usher in the Nashville Sound that gave country music a more lush feel. Locklin scored one of the biggest hits of the music's golden era with "Please Help Me, I'm Falling," which spent a remarkable 14 weeks at No. 1 and 30 weeks in the Top 10 in 1960. His legacy grew overseas, helping to spread country music popularity to Japan, Germany and especially to Ireland, where he was considered an adopted son. A Q&A and music performed by Hank Adam Locklin will follow the film.

Dean Dillon & guests Nov. 7 in tent stage

Hall of Famer and George Strait collaborator Dean Dillon will perform at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 7 in the Flora-Bama tent stage. Tickets are \$15 at the door and guests include Marla Cannon-Goodman, Buddy Cannon, Josh Martin, & Mickey Lamantia. Dillon co-wrote more than 70 songs recorded by George Strait. His many other hits include David Allan Coe's "Tennessee Whiskey." He is in both the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame and the Country Music Hall of Fame.

Logan Blade & guests at Southwest Library

Logan Blade, Tammy Vice & Stephen Lee Veal will perform in a Autism Pensacola Awareness sponsored special show at Pensacola Southwest Library on Nov. 9 from 3-4 p.m. Logan was diagnosed with Autism at the age of 2. Though he has limited conversation skills, God gave him a special gift. Come here this amazing young man on the spectrum make beautiful music..

Promoting Your Music Career seminar Nov. 13

Bruce Wawrzyniak of Now Hear This will present the Promoting Your Music Career Seminar at the Flora-Bama's Dome Stage on Nov. 13 from 10-11:30 a.m. There is no charge. Whether you're a songwriter, a musician, a recording artist, or some combination thereof, you are a business and need to brand yourself and leverage numerous marketing channels to promote yourself to gain more opportunities for your career.

The seminar will present a comprehensive list of actionable items writers should be doing to attract others to want to hire them, buy their music and provide collaborations. Wawrzyniak has been managing, promot-

ing, and booking artists for 15 years and has worked in the Olympics and the National Hockey League. Attend this session and learn the do's and don'ts from someone who is on the front line with artists, media and venues.

Veteran's Day Tribute - Operation Song Nov. 11

A long list of top songwriters will take part in the Veterans Tribute/Operation Song show in the Flora-Bama Main Room on Nov. 11 beginning at 5 p.m. Guests include Tony Montgomery, Matt Williams, Rusty Tabor, Kelly Presley, Sean Gasaway, Forrest Fin, Jonathan Henderson, Andrew Stone, Joe Whelan, Greg Crowe, Mark Dreyer, Dave Gibson, Chris Canterbury, Lance Dubroc, Dave Kennedy, Daryl Wayne Dasher, Mark McGuinn and Rusty Tabor. Operation Song, pairs professional songwriters with veterans, active-duty military and their families to help them tell their stories through the process of songwriting.

Operation Song Vet's Day Tribute at Post 240

A second Operation Song Veterans Tribute sponsored by the Perdido Key Breakfast Club will be held at American Legion Post 240 in Pensacola on Nov. 11 from 6-9 p.m. Guest writers will include Danny Griego, Mutt Cooper, and The Crickets (Rachel Grubb, Lauren Spring & Emily Stuckey).

Wild Women Songwriters Night Nov. 11 at 'Bama

Wild Women Songwriters Night at the Flora-Bama Dome Stage, sponsored by Playa del Rio, will start at 6 p.m. and end sometime much later. The show, always one of the festival highlights, will include songs and a skit remembering the late CJ Watson, an honorary Wild Woman who wrote somewhere around 7,000 songs and was part of the first rock band ever to tour China.

Watson so much wanted to be part of Wild Women Songwriters Night that he allowed fest volunteer Linda Pounder to dress him up as "Mima" in drag, complete with a bra from the Flora-Bama rafters. Expect similar shenanigans at this year's show.

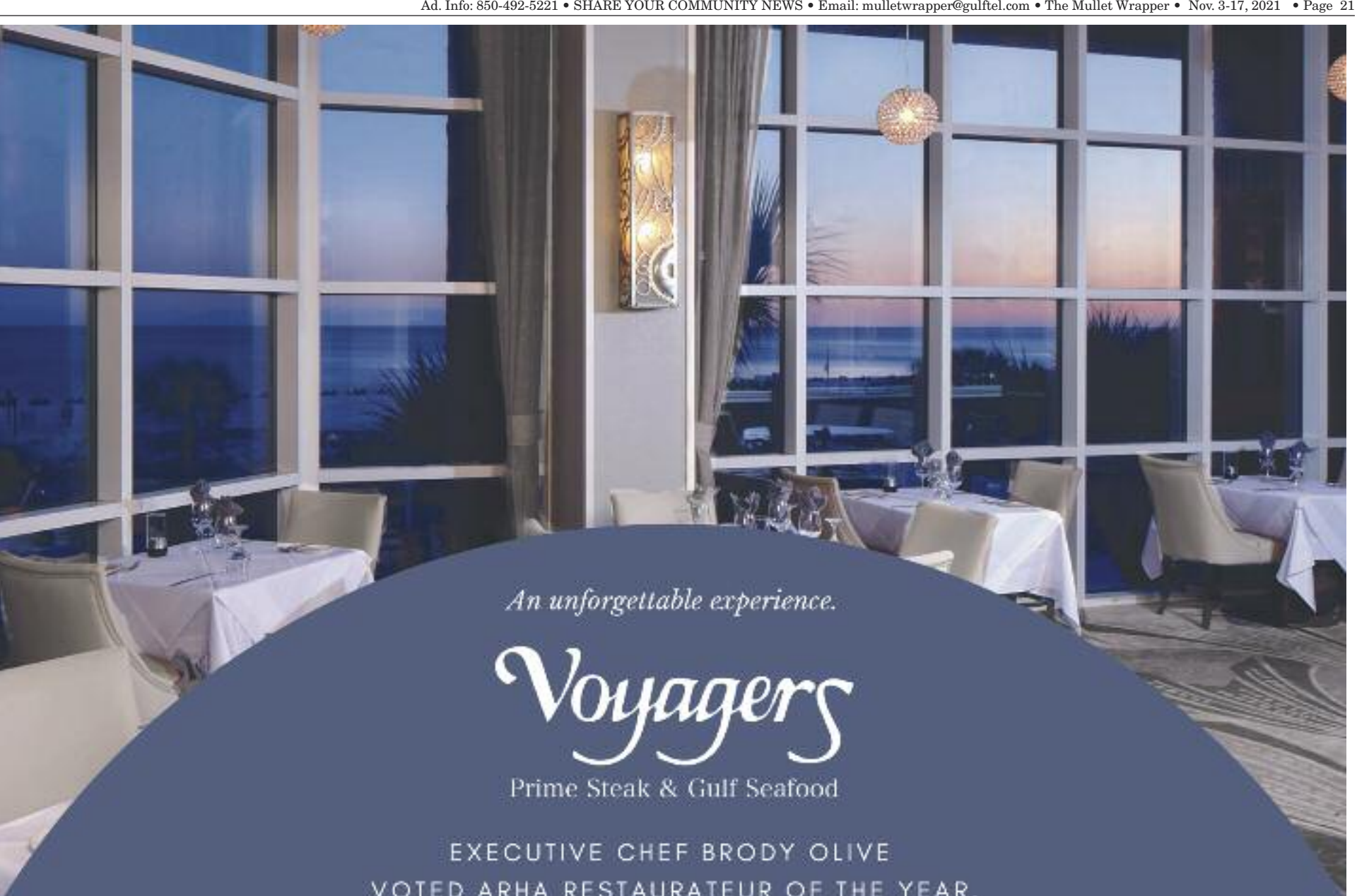
Wild Women scheduled to play include Karen McNatt, Karen E. Reynolds, Christina Christian, Brittany Grimes, Avery Landrum, Kristen Kelly, Amanda Pruitt, Jessie Wilson, Rhonda Hart, Elaine Petty, Donna Slater, Danica Hart, Devynn Hart, Trea Swindle, Lynn Drury, Jenna McClelland and Shawn Williams.

Fest raffle drawing Nov. 14 at 7 p.m. at the 'Bama

Festival volunteers will be selling raffle tickets for some amazing items at most of the venues throughout the festival, with the drawing scheduled on the fest's final day, Nov. 14 at 7 p.m. in the Flora-Bama Main Room. You do not have to be present to win.

Songwriters on Half Shell Nov. 12 in Fort Morgan

Songwriters On The Half Shell - A special day of music and oysters in a beautiful Fort Morgan setting arranged by Kent Sanderson as a FBISF Foundation benefit, will be held on Nov. 12 from noon - 4:30 p.m. Jim McCormick, who wrote songs for three artists who headlined shows at The Wharf last summer, will perform.



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50th St. Patrick's Christmas Bazaar Dec. 3-5 in Robertsdale

The 50th St. Patrick's annual Christmas Bazaar will take place Dec. 3-4 in the church center located in Robertsdale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

The tradition continues as the ladies of the church start the bazaar holiday baking. Some, such as the yeast coffee cakes and cinnamon rolls will be bake on site. Cookies, cakes, and more will fill the dessert tables. The Jam Stand will be stacked with jams and jellies made from locally picked fruit.

For the past year, the crafting team has made afghans, quilted items, soaps, crocheted baby items, Christmas trees and more. Gift baskets are again a focal point of the bazaar.

Come help St. Patrick's Ladies celebrate fifty years of service and enjoy the fruits of their labor of love. Proceeds from the bazaar will be spread throughout the parish and surrounding community. The goal of the Ladies is to use the bazaar proceeds to serve not only the parish but, St. Patrick School, and the community.

Gulf Shores Movies at Meyer Series continues Nov. 4 & 18

The City of Gulf Shores fourth annual Movies at Meyer Park series continues Nov. 4 – Luca; Nov. 18 – Top Gun; Dec. 16 – The Grinch – Illumination Version.

All Movies at Meyer Park showings are free to the public and begin at 6 p.m. Meyer Park is located in the Waterway Village District at 400 East 22nd Avenue in Gulf Shores. Bring lawn chairs and blankets and join neighbors at Meyer Park for a free movie under the stars. More info: gulfshoresal.gov.

WED, NOV 3

- **Frank Brown International Songwriters Fest Kick-Off:** 6; Perdido Sports Bar, Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.
- **Chase Brown:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club:** 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).
- **Bingo:** 6; Tacky Jacks; Orange Beach.
- **Patrick Cross:** 5; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for lineup; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Artie Hopkins:** 5; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
- **John Brust:** 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke & Dance on The Deck:** 7; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Anthony Oliver:** 6; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Brent Burns:** 5; Ginny Lane; Orange Beach.
- **Mason Henderson's Saucy Fuzz:** 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Open Mic:** 5; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Scott Koehn Project:** 6; OSO; Orange Beach.
- **Gary Story & Friends:** 7; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 7; Bar 45 at ONE CLUB, Gulf Shores.
- **John Joiner & Darrel Roberts:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

- **Snowbird Euchre:** Sign-in at 12:30; Gulf Shores American Legion Post 44.
- **BBRC Running Club:** 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; lafleet-foot.com.
- **Karaoke & League Pool:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
- **AA:** 7:30 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.


THU, NOV 4

- **SEC Women's Soccer Championship Semifinals:** 4:30 & 7; Orange Beach Sportsplex.
- **Frank Brown International Songwriters Fest:** multiple AL & FL venues; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for sched. updates.
- **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.
- **Movies At Meyer Park: LUCA:** 6; free; Gulf Shores.
- **Blue Angels Homecoming Air Show:** noon; Casino Beach; Pensacola Beach.
- **YoHo Rum & Tacos November Wine Dinner:** 5; YoHo Rum and Tacos; Orange Beach.
- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club:** 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).
- **William Gibson:** 5; The Perch at The Gulf State Park Lodge; Gulf Shores.
- **FBISF Songwriters:** 5:30-9; (visit frankbrownsonwriters for sched.) Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **FBISF Songwriters:** 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.


- **FBISF Songwriters 5;** visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for lineup; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Skyline Kings:** 6; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- **The Favorites Band:** 7; Alabama Gulf Coast Music Hall; Foley.
- **Bridge:** 11:30 a.m.; Orange Beach Senior Center, 251-981-3440.
- **Elaine Petty:** 6; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **John Brust:** 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- **Bar Trivia Night:** 5; Bar 45 Lounge at ONE CLUB, Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke w. Kelly:** 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke w. Howard:** 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **Karaoke:** 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Tim Roberts:** 6; The Tin Top Restaurant, Bon Secour.
- **Kid Friendly Bingo:** 6-8 p.m.; drinks & snacks available to purchase; Bear Point Civic Assn; Orange Beach.
- **Bingo 5;** open to all; Amvets Post 2018; 13085 Wisconsin St.; Elberta.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Texas Hold 'em:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **Baldwin Senior Softball Group:** 10 a.m.; 50 and over; 10 a.m.; call 225/313-8516 for info & location.
- **Fairhope Outdoor Farmers Market:** 3-6 p.m.; behind Fairhope Public Library.
- **Gulf Shores United Methodist Church Bread Ministry:** 9-10; every Thursday; room 103 on the south campus, next to Crossroad; 251 968-2411.
- **Grief Support Group:** noon-1:30 p.m.;

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

2020 Census could put Perdido & Innerarity back in District 1

Preliminary decisions among elected officials about new Escambia County voting districts, spurred by population growth data from the 2020 Census, would move Perdido Key and the Innerarity peninsula from District 2 back to District 1. Perdido Key and Innerarity were part of District 1 prior to redistricting after the 2000 Census. Strangely enough, District 1 currently includes Perdido Bay Golf Club, but not Perdido Key and Innerarity Point. Both the county and school board have the power to set their own voting districts, but both boards said doing so would create voter confusion.

The Escambia County Supervisor of Elections Office solicited proposals from elected officials in advance of the Nov. 2 second joint meeting to be held at the downtown County office building, beginning at 5:01 PM. The new zoning maps are expected to be announced next month, but there is no mandated deadline involved.

Charles Krupnick, president of the nonprofit 501(c)3 Perdido Key Association (PKA) in a message to PKA members wrote that "The PKA Board is working to keep Perdido Key a viable and improving beach community. The ramifications of shifting Perdido Key from District 2 to District 1 or remaining in District 2 are uncertain and to a large extent dependent upon the individuals who will serve as District 1, District 2 and other District Commissioners." Krupnick added that projects affecting Perdido Key such as approval of the Pensacola Pass Inlet Management Plan to reduce beach erosion and the Perdido Key Master Plan, construction of the Perdido Key Multi-Use Path, crosswalks on Perdido Key Dr., and a new traffic light and crosswalk at the Flora-Bama were implemented with Perdido Key in District 2. District 1 has seen extensive growth in the Beulah area, home of the Navy Federal Credit Union campus and extensive subdivision and apartment construction.

The proposed redistricting draft would leave District 1 with the smallest population of the five districts. Currently, District 1 is the most oversized and District 2 the most undersized of the county's five districts. Under the 2020 census, if all five districts were split evenly, each district would have a population of 64,381, according to Supervisor of Elections David Stafford.

CSC Christmas Cheer registration is ongoing

The Christian Service Center Christmas Cheer program for kids has started and, because of COVID, requests are only being taken via phone (251-968-5256) from the CSC parking lot. Those requesting gifts must be in the parking lot, as there is information that must be shared about gift pick-up. Christmas food box requests will be taken at the same time. Intake is between 12-30 – 2:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays (add Wednesdays in November) until November 23. There will be no intake after November 23. The earlier you request gifts, the more likely your child will receive just what is requested.

Nov. 6 Magnolia Run will benefit Turkey Take-Out

The Magnolia Run will be held on Saturday, November 6 in Magnolia Springs. A 5K Run, 5K Race/Walk and 1 Mile Fun Run that welcomes around 200 participants, the event takes place in Magnolia Springs, beginning and ending at Jesse's Restaurant, 14770 Oak St. Awards will be held inside the Magnolia Springs Community Hall. More info: rachel@southbaldwinchamber.com.

The race features a beautiful scenic route with majestic oak branch canopies overhanging the road, lovely azaleas, flowering plants, and historic homes. A portion of each runner registration will be donated to Turkey Take-Out. This run is stroller and dog friendly with the usual awards spread around a wide variety of age groups. Post-race activities for runners include lively music, and delicious food provided by Jesse's Restaurant.

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

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

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

FRI, NOV 5

• **Frank Brown Interntional Songwriters Fest:** multiple AL & FL venues; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for sched. updates.

• **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.

• **Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.

• **Blue Angels Homecoming Air Show:** noon; Casino Beach; Pensacola Beach.

• **Austin Thompson:** 3; Fraternal Order Of Eagles, Foley.

• **Delta Donnie:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.

• **Chase Brown:** 5; The Perch at The Gulf

State Park Lodge; Gulf Shores.

• **FBISF Songwriters:** 5:30-9; (visit frankbrownsonwriters for sched.) Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.

• **FBISF Songwriters:** 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.

• **FBISF Songwriters** 5; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for lineup; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.

• **The Favorites Band:** 7; Alabama Gulf Coast Music Hall; Foley.

• **Darrell Roberts:** 7; Stephi Cocktails / Cuisine; Orange Beach.

• **Doc Johnson Band:** 9; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.

• **Danny Grady:** 1; Fraternal Order Of Eagles, Foley.

• **Charlie & The Hammerheads:** 7 'til; Live Bait; Orange Beach.

• **Platinum Premier:** 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.

• **John Brust:** 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.

• **Bama Beach Pickleball Club:** 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).



Actor Morgan Freeman helps interview GSPD candidates

From the 100 applicants vying to become Gulf Shores Police officers over the last three months, only nine made it to the interview process following orientation, physical agility testing and written examinations.

The interviews are conducted by GSPD command level officers, officers with command rank from another agency and members of the community including Ole Miss legal studies professor Linda Keena and David Bass, a former assistant sergeant at arms for the United States Senate. Others on the committee included Sergeant Major (Ret) Bryan Battaglia, Deputy Chief of Police Daniel Netemeyer, Chief of Police Edward Delmore and Chief Scott Stewart.

But it was a third committee member, actor Morgan Freeman, that created a social media buzz. Freeman is a Mississippi native who owns property in Gulf Shores and spends time here. Also an award winning director, producer and narrator, Freeman and Keena recently donated \$1 million to establish the Center of Evidence-Based Policing and Reform at Ole Miss.

The next steps for the remaining candidates include extensive background investigations, psychological examinations, medical evaluations, polygraph examinations, and drug screening.

"It was kind of a last minute thing, but he was an active participant," Deputy Chief Netemeyer said. "He had a hat on, and he was kind of sitting back. When he introduced himself it was almost like an old 'Candid Camera' scene. It was that voice, the same one you hear in the movies."

Pictured: (l to r) Freeman, Dr. Keena, Sergeant Major Battaglia, Deputy Chief Netemeyer.

Chocolate & Cheese Fest coming to Heritage Park Nov. 13

The Chocolate & Cheese Festival will be held at Heritage Park in downtown Foley on Nov. 13 from 10 a.m. 'til 7 pm. Admission to the tasty fun-filled festival is \$5 per person (12 and under free). Info: saltlifepromotions.com.

The fest will feature cheese and chocolate from around the world, regular menu items, high quality art & craft vendors, live music, Kids Zone, free contests with winnings, chocolate martini's, beer & wine and much more.

Schedule

10:30 - Alabama Sunrise
 Noon - Chocolate Eating contest
 12:30 - Merrilee Voth
 1pm - Cheese Toss contest
 2pm - Cheese Stacking contest
 2:15pm - Karaoke semi-finals
 3pm - Chocolatier contest
 3:30pm - 4pm Karaoke finals
 4pm - Guess the Cheese contest
 4:30pm - Eagle Sunrise Band

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Coastal Half Marathon, 5K & Fun Run Nov. 27 at Orange Beach Sportsplex

The Coastal Half Marathon, 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run Saturday, Nov. 27, 2021, at 8 a.m. at the Orange Beach Sportsplex. The long course will serve as the 2021 RRCA Alabama State Half Marathon Championship. Drive-thru packet pick-up will take place Friday, Nov. 26, from 3-5 p.m. at the sportsplex. Drive-thru and walk-up packet pick-up will be available race morning from 6:30-7:30 a.m. To register, visit Team-Magic.com/Events/227.

Grants to mitigate Magnolia watershed flooding, improve Graham Creek Preserve Spanish Fort secures GOMESA funds for Tensaw Delta waterfront park

Alabama Governor Kay Ivey announced South Baldwin County 17 projects, including sewer infrastructure, water quality, land acquisitions, research and recreational access improvements, which are included in the original intent and authorized use of a grant from Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) funds.

The City of Foley received \$2.5 million to expand Graham Creek Nature Preserve and the Five Rivers Delta Resource Center on the Mobile Causeway in Spanish Fort received \$253,275 for energy efficiency upgrades and needed structural repairs. Five Rivers attracts around 65,000 visitors and 5,000 students annually.

The Governor also approved a \$4 million grant for the Magnolia River Watershed wetlands and Detention mitigation site that will convert an existing borrow pit into a constructed wetland to improve water quality and reduce flooding within the Magnolia River and Weeks Bay watersheds. Magnolia Springs, Foley and Baldwin County staff will work together on the project to alleviate flooding and stormwater issues along the watershed.

The City of Spanish Fort will use a grant from GOMESA to create a city park on Bay Minette Creek at the entrance to the Mobile-Tensaw Delta. The park will include a nature center and will be funded from an \$8.5 grant from Alabama's \$41 million wind-fall for allowing offshore oil and gas production in the Gulf of Mexico. The park will include a pier, walking trails, picnic areas, canoe and kayak launches and contract services for environmentally friendly rentals. The park can be easily accessed from I-10, U.S. Hwy 31 and State Hwy 225.

A timeline has yet to be set for the park's completion, but with the purchase of the city's main access to the Tensaw-Delta, Spanish Fort has secured land that was previously approved by Baldwin County for a multi-family mixed use development.



GCAA Outdoor Art Market Nov. 6 at G.S. Presbyterian

The Gulf Coast Arts Alliance Outdoor Market will be held on Saturday, Nov. 6 from 9 a.m. 'til 3 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Gulf Shores at 309 21st Ave. This is an outdoor art market featuring original local and regional artists, including Peggi Agosti-Brewton, whose work is pictured above.

Foley Art Center Trim-A-Tree now open at Tanger

The Foley Art Center's Trim-A-Tree, its annual annual six week holiday fine arts and crafts event, is open at its location in Suite 230 in the Tanger Outlet (next to Zumiez) in the center on the South side) through Dec. 23 from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday thru Saturday and 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. on Sundays. Info: foleyartcenter.com.

- **Late Night DJs:** 9; The Club at Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke on the Tiki Deck:** 7 'til; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke w. Kelly Ann:** 6; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
- **First Friday Art Walk:** 7 p.m. til; historic downtown Fairhope.
- **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **AA:** 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

SAT, NOV 6

- **Frank Brown Interational Songwriters Fest:** multiple Al. & Fl. venues; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for sched. updates.
- **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
- **Magnolia Run:** 7:30; 5K & Fun Run; Magnolia Springs.
- **Honey Bee Festival:** 8 -5; Honey Bee Park; Robertsedale.
- **Blue Angels Homecoming Air Show:** noon; Casino Beach; Pensacola Beach.
- **Destiny Brown:** 5; The Perch at The Gulf State Park Lodge; Gulf Shores.
- **FBISF Songwriters:** 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- **FBISF Songwriters 5;** visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for lineup; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Spaces In Between:** 9; The Office, Foley.
- **Southern Star:** 6:30; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
- **Wiley Pete:** 7; Stephi Cocktails-Cuisine; Orange Beach.
- **Red and The Revelers:** 6; OSO at Bear Point Harbor; Orange Beach.
- **Charlie & The Hammerheads:** 7 'til; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Doc Johnson Band:** 9; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- **The Favorites Band:** 7; Alabama Gulf Coast Music Hall; Foley.
- **Karaoke on the Tiki Deck:** 7 'til; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **The Defrosters:** 2; Flying Harpoon II; Orange Beach.
- **Late Night DJs:** 9; The Club at Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **John Brust:** 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby

- Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- **Coastal Fire:** 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- **Karaoke:** 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Texas Hold 'em:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **Optimist Club of Perdido Bay:** Breakfast every Saturday at 7 a.m. at the Lillian Community Club in Lillian; (251) 961-2620.
- **AA:** 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **AA:** 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **Ladies AA:** 9 a.m. NOV 7 11 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

SUN, NOV 7

- **SEC Women's Soccer Championship Game:** 2 p.m.; Orange Beach Sportsplex.
- **Frank Brown Interational Songwriters Fest:** multiple Al. & Fl. venues; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for sched. updates.
- **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
- **Family Fall Fest:** 3-5; Orange Beach United Methodist Church; Orange Beach.
- **William Gibson:** 5; The Perch at The Gulf State Park Lodge; Gulf Shores.
- **FBISF Songwriters:** 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- **FBISF Songwriters 5;** visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for lineup; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Les Linton:** 4; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Bell & The Bull:** 3; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- **The Favorites Band:** 7; Alabama Gulf Coast Music Hall; Foley.
- **Danny Grady:** 1; Fraternal Order Of Eagles, Foley.
- **Brent Varner:** 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- **Bends & Brews Yoga:** 11 a.m.; in the courtyard; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- **Lisa Zanghi:** 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- **The Defrosters:** 2; Flying Harpoon II; Orange Beach.
- **John Joiner & Friends:** 4; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.

ICONIC ENTERTAINMENT'S MODELS & MIMOSAS RAISES FUNDS FOR BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

ICONIC Entertainment & The Wharf Restaurant Group recently presented Models & Mimosas, a fundraiser for the Susan G. Komens Breast Cancer Awareness Fund, at Mile Marker 158 Dockside at The Wharf. The event attracted patrons from as far away as Destin and included complimentary champagne, hors d'oeuvres, photographers, raffles and games for prizes. The fashion show featuring fall lines from Too Hot Mamas, Cool Papas Surf Shak, Johanna A. Boutique and Salt Coastal Outfitters & Poppy's Boutique.

"Based upon the smiles on everyone's faces, I'd say it was a huge success," said ICONIC founder/CEO Trishelle Paris. "Attendees were on the edge of their seats the entire time. What I loved most was how it brought mothers & daughters together. That warmed my heart."

An event host since she was 15, Paris said NASCAR star Jeff Gorden is probably the biggest celebrity to attend one of her events. ICONIC will host a spring fashion show and also plans an adult field day this winter.

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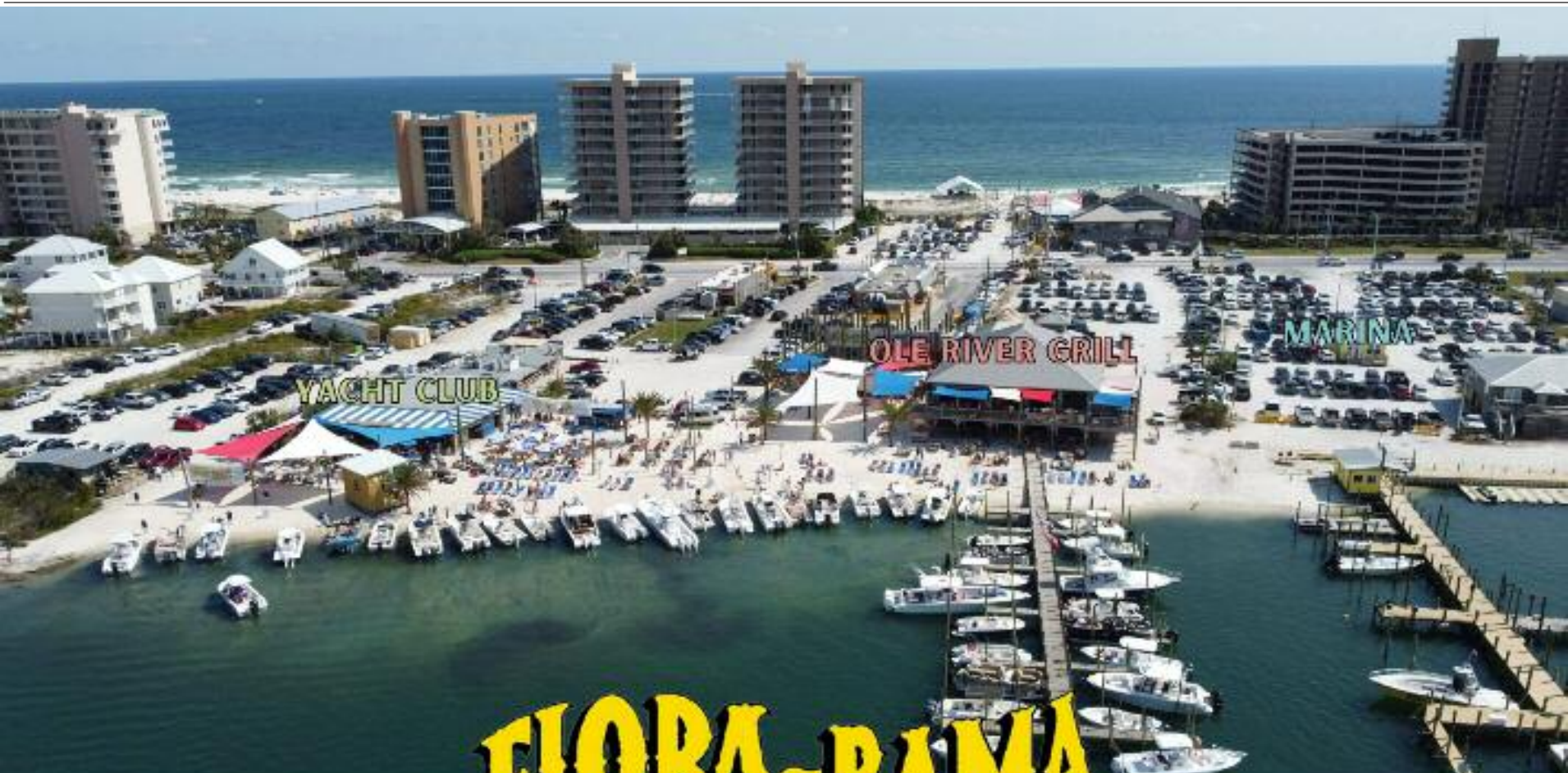
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Gulf Shores mayor will speak to Ancient Aviators Nov. 9

The speaker at the Nov. 9 meeting of the Ancient Aviators will be Gulf Shores Mayor Robert Craft. The group meets at American Legion Post 44 in Gulf Shores. There is an optional (\$6) full hot breakfast available at 8:30 a.m. The meeting starts at about 9 a.m. and runs approximately 90 minutes. All are welcome.

Upcoming speakers include: Dec. 7: Art Giberson; Jan. 4: Dayre Lias; Feb. 1: Janet Cobb. The Ancient Aviators, formed in 2002, gives aviators and others a chance to "tell their story." The group meets the first Tuesday of each month. Info: bensman84@aol.com or 251-990-8258.

Island Food Pantry Nov. 20 at O.B.'s The Island Church

The Island Church in Orange Beach will host its final Island Mobile Food Pantry of 2021 on Saturday, Nov. 20. Baldwin County families that would like to receive a 50 pound box of food are asked to call Lisa in the office at 251.967.4840 to receive more details. The food will be distributed at 8:30 a.m. with a drive thru. Participants will be required to pre-register. Space is limited to the first 200 families that register through the office. The church is located at 25550 Canal Rd. in Orange Beach.



CWC LUNCHEON: All women are welcome to the next South Baldwin CWC luncheon "Cornucopia" at the Gift Horse Restaurant in Foley on Thursday, November 11 at 10:45 a.m. Cost is \$12 for buffet and program. Stonecroft speaker Arlene Grimes will present "When All Else Fails, Read The Directions." Email: emuddconnelly@gmail.com with reservations by Monday, Nov. 8 or call Elizabeth at 251-943-7142. Future luncheons are Thursdays, Dec. 16 and Jan. 13. **Pictured:** Elizabeth Mudd-Connelly, Miriam Gebhart, Nada Decker and Imogene Naylor.



BAMA PICKLEBALL CLUB HOLDS FIRST EVER BEGINNERS' TOURNEY: Bama Beach Pickleball Club and The Church of Christ in Gulf Shores welcomed 19 players to its first beginners' pickleball tournament On Oct. 21. The players, who just learned the sport this summer, were served lunch before competing for three hours in women's, men's and mixed doubles. When the smoke cleared, there were a lot of tired players, but all had a great time and enjoyed having the opportunity to play and learn in a fun tournament. Women's and men's doubles were played in a round robin format and mixed doubles was played with set partners. "It was designed to be a fun tournament, not a serious medal event. But when it was all over, we announced the winners in each bracket," said tourney director Sam Strite. Maryanne Hamlin won the women's doubles and Janice Neitzel was runner-up. In men's doubles, Ken Price won and Russell Polhemus was runner-up. In mixed doubles, Brenda and Bill Baumeister won and Sondra Carden and Ken Price were runners-up. Every Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m., beginners may come to the Church of Christ and learn the game and start playing. Cost is \$3 for members of Bama Beach PB Club and \$5 for non-members. Feel free to come and learn the fastest growing sport in the USA - also the most fun and most social sport you'll ever play. **Pictured:** Men's winner and runner-up Ken Price receiving his prize (pizza) from scorer Diane Irwin; 2nd place male Russell Polhemus 2nd; women's winner and runner-up (Maryanne Hamlin 1st/Janice Neitzel 2nd) w. scorer Diane Irwin. Hamlin's prize was a pickleball wreath made by resident artist Lisa Bearden; tourney participants.

• **League Pool:** 7; The Office, Foley.
• **AA:** 5 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

MON, NOV 8

• **Frank Brown Interntional Songwriters Fest:** multiple Al. & Fl. venues; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for sched. updates.

• **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.

• **Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.

• **Bama Beach Pickleball Club:** 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).

• **Karaoke & Dance on The Deck:** 7; Live Bait; Orange Beach.

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

• **Brent Burns:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.

• **Open Mic w/Davo:** 7; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.

• **Open Mic w/Chris Beverly:** 6; OSO; Orange Beach.

• **Sandy Roots Records Songwriters Night:** 6; Purple Parrot Tiki Bar; Perdido Key.

• **Bingo:** 6; American Legion Post 99, 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.

• **League Pool:** 7; The Office, Foley.

• **Celebrate Recovery:** (Christ centered 12 step program); Monday evenings at 6 p.m.; Christian Life Church in Orange Beach; 251-967-4840.

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

• **T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly):**

weigh-in 5:30; meeting 6; First Presbyterian Church of Foley; (Berry & Highway 59).

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

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

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• **Stephen Sylvester:** 5; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for lineup; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.

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

• **Jayson Harper:** 6; Live Bait; Orange Beach.

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

• **Bingo:** 5; 45 Restaurant & Bar; One Club, Gulf Shores.

• **Chris Beverly Experience:** 9; The Underderto; Orange Beach.

• **Karaoke w. Kelly:** 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.

• **Bridge:** 11:30 a.m.; Orange Beach Senior Center, 251-981-3440.

• **Bingo:** 10-2; Gulf Coast Elks Lodge; Foley.

• **JW Karaoke:** 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.

SEC Women's Soccer Tourney final is Nov. 7 in O.B.

Alabama and Auburn both played Tuesday quarterfinal games in the Southeast Conference Soccer Championship at the Orange Beach Sportsplex. Second seeded Tennessee played 10th seed Florida, 3rd seed Ole Miss played 6th seed Alabama, top seeded Arkansas played 9th seed LSU, and 4th seed South Carolina played 5th seed Auburn in the quarterfinals.

All tourney matches are being shown live nationally on the SEC Network. Tickets will be available at the gate - \$5 for adults per game and \$2 for kids (K-12) per day.

The semifinals will be played at 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Nov. 4, and the title game at 2 p.m. on Nov. 7.

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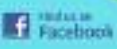
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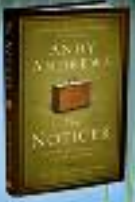
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- **Baldwin Senior Softball Group:** 10 a.m.; 50 and over; 10 a.m.; call 225/313-8516 for info & location.
- **Orange Beach Grief Support Group:** 10 a.m.; Orange Beach Senior Activity Center, 26251 Canal Rd.; 251-943-5015.
- **Celebrate Recovery Meeting:** 6; includes free dinner; open to all; Orange Beach United Methodist Church; 251-981-6751 or 850-419-1141.
- **Orange Beach City Council Meeting:** 5 p.m.; City Hall; 980-INFO.
- **Overcomers Outreach:** 7 p.m.; First Baptist Church of Orange Beach; 980-1705.
- **Foley Kiwanis Club:** noon; Vallarta's, 1145 S. McKenzie St., Foley; 859-771-6091.
- **Foley Lions Club:** noon; Wolf Bay Lodge, Foley.
- **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.

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Cream butter and cream cheese. Add powdered sugar and vanilla; beat until smooth. Fold in nuts. **Enjoy!**

Authors, scavenger hunts, Dr. Who Day at Foley Library

Foley Public Library has more November events coming up. With our Hometown Heroes scavenger hunt going on Nov 13-20, 2021, and our Doctor Who Day on Nov 13, we have added a few more programs to the month that should make people thankful. In association with Foley's Turkey Take-Out, the library will be hosting Food for Fines, Mon, Nov 8 – Thurs, Nov 18. Bring in canned goods to cover fines owed on your library account. One can covers up to \$5 in fines, two cans covers up to \$10 in fines, three cans covers up to \$15 in fines and so on. Please be sure cans do not have an expired best buy date. All canned goods will be donated to the Turkey Take-Out program. Feel free to simply drop off canned goods to go to this program as well. The library will be hosting another Family BINGO Night starting a 6 pm on Fri, Nov 19. This program has limited seating so a reservation is required. You can register online at our website or by calling Melanie at 251-943-1031. A small donation is required to acquire BINGO cards for play. Coffee & Donuts With an Author will occur on Wed, Nov 24 @ 10 am. Local author Mary S. Palmer will be giving a presentation on her book, Boyington Oak: A Grave Injustice. Palmer has written 15 other books as well as 3 plays and numerous poems. Boyington Oak: A Grave Injustice was published in November 2019. Remembrances, a play based on the book, was produced at GulfQuest Maritime Museum March 13, 2020 and again at Oakleigh House Museum October 24, 2020. The Boyington Oak Festival was held at Oakleigh in May 2021. The library will be closed Nov 11-12 for Veterans Day and Nov. 25-28 for Thanksgiving. For more info about programs, visit foylelibrary.org or Facebook.

G.S. artist Susan McCollough exhibiting work in Tuscaloosa

Gulf Shores artist and gallery owner Susan N. McCollough will have her work on exhibit in the Dinah Washington Cultural Arts Center at the University of Alabama through Dec. 3. The UA Gallery will hold a First Friday reception for her on Nov. 5. McCollough has

exhibited in solo and group exhibitions across four continents. Recent awards include selection for exhibition at the 2020 International Art Prize Frida Kahlo art review in Milan and the 2019 Monna Lisa La Gioconda Award in Lecce, Italy.

For more than a decade, she served on the Art Committee at the United States Sports Academy, which attracts and honors artists from around the world and is responsible for selecting featured artists for the Olympics.

Dave Roever to speak at The Island Church Nov. 28

The congregation at Christian Life the Island Church invites the entire Alabama Gulf Coast



community to hear war hero Dave Roever on Sunday, November 28 during all three of its Sunday services (8:15 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.). The church is located at 25550 Canal Rd. in Orange Beach (251-967-4840) and there is no charge to attend.

At the height of the Vietnam War, Roever joined the U. S. Navy and served as a river boat gunner in the elite Brown Water Black Beret. He suffered a devastating injury when a phosphorous grenade exploded in his hand, burning him beyond recognition. He has had 55 surgeries in the past 49 years. In one of his first surgeries, phosphorous still smoldering inside him ignited as he lay on the operating table. His survival and ensuing life with his faithful late wife at his side are miraculous. A superb multi-generational speaker, Roever travels the globe, sharing his gripping testimony with engaging humor, imparting hope in the face of insurmountable obstacles.

St., Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).

- **Adam Holt:** 5; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for lineup; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Delta Donnie:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **Cowboy Johnson & Friends:** 5; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- **Bingo:** 6; Tacky Jacks; Orange Beach.
- **Artie Hopkins:** 5; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
- **Anthony Oliver:** 6; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **John Brust:** 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- **Brent Burns:** 5; Ginny Lane; Orange Beach.
- **Open Mic:** 5; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Mason Henderson's Saucy Fuzz:** 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Gary Story & Friends:** 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- **Scott Koehn Project:** 6; OSO; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 7; Bar 45 at ONE CLUB, Gulf Shores.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa

Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

- **John Joiner & Darrel Roberts:** 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Snowbird Euchre:** Sign-in at 12:30; Gulf Shores American Legion Post 44.
- **Bingo:** 10 a.m.; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **BBRC Running Club:** 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; lafleet-foot.com.
- **Karaoke & League Pool:** 7:30; The Office, Foley.
- **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center.
- **Orange Beach Friends of the Library:** 10; Library meeting room; 978-4106.
- **Food Ministry at Morgan's Chapel United Methodist Church:** 8-9 a.m.; 6325 Cty Rd 10, Bon Secour, (across from Swift School); 251-979-2005.
- **Food Ministry For Hungry Families:** noon-1 p.m.; Grace Lutheran Church, corner of West 23rd Ave. and West 4th St. in Gulf Shores; 251-968-5991.
- **Bread Ministry:** 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Orange Beach United Methodist Church Brook's Center.
- **Food Bank:** 9 - 11 a.m every Wednesday.

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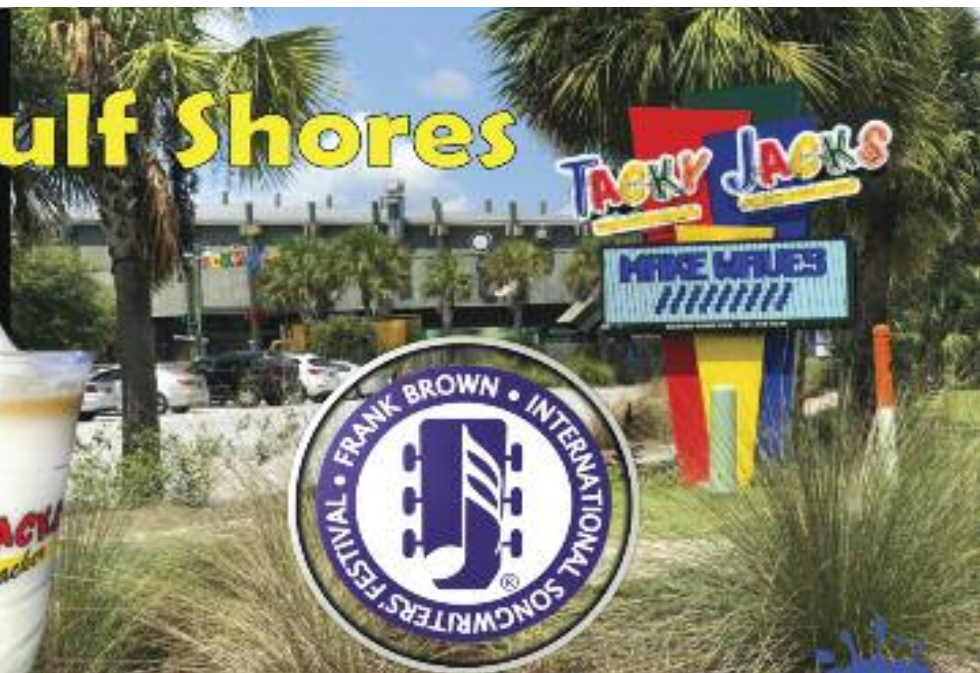
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WHAT'S HAPPENING

PIER & SHORE FISHING OUTLOOK

By DAVID "THE PIERPOUNDER" THORNTON

Well, our previous fortnight was again plagued by dingy waters, rough seas, and high winds. But let's hope the future pans out a bit better in our favor. The coastal water temperature is set to tumble through the middle to low 70s during this period, as successive cold fronts bring a distinctive chill to the area on northerly winds.



These will coincide with midday low tides, which lends toward early mornings and late afternoons probably being the best times to catch the fish feeding. The few coastal pelagic species (jack and mackerels) still hanging around, will likely catch the next front to head south into Florida for the winter as the water cools.

The good news is, that opens up bottom rig fishing for our resident drum species like red and black drum, croaker, and whiting, which are tolerant of cooler water. We can add pompano, bluefish and sheepshead into the mix, along with the obvious 'scourges' like catfish and rays to round out the list of what shore anglers might expect to encounter through the middle of the month.

Bull redfish should still be a high priority prospect for trophy minded surf anglers, especially at the Point of Fort Morgan peninsula. Outgoing tides are usually better for reds to feed there as they await any mullet, menhaden or other small finfish, shrimp and crabs to be swept out of the cooler, shallow bay.

A similar situation sets up at Perdido Pass. And even Little Lagoon Pass at times may hold a good concentration of reds feeding near the mouth. In times past, the Gulf State Park Pier saw good numbers of large redfish landed this month. But in its shortened state, we probably won't see as much of that.

What pier anglers can look forward to is increasing catches of "whiting" (Gulf kingfish), along with more sheepshead. There could be good numbers of large croaker at times, and even some pompano, redfish and bluefish around, and perhaps even a few speckled trout and flounder. Though the season for flounder is closed the whole month of November in Alabama, and remains closed in Florida waters too. Still, there are opportunities for some catch and release of these fine gamefish. Live shrimp is a more popular and productive bait now, as the numbers of pinfish and other pesky 'shrimp stealers' thin out. When the water is clear, use a small hook and just enough weight (splitshot) to encourage the shrimp to swim towards the bottom. That's where most of the predators will be, with the notable exception of sheepshead which may be suspended on the pilings. A similar presentation works well along the seawall at Alabama Point, and from the rock jetties where there may still

be some mangrove snapper as well. Sheepshead become the primary target species now, using live shrimp and/or fiddler crabs, as the numbers of bait stealing pinfish, pigfish, and such generally decrease in the cooling Gulf waters.

Surf fishers can better target pompano now, though they will usually catch more kingfish (whiting) than anything else. Nothing wrong with that really, as these small drum are frisky fighters and fine table fare. This is a good time to use the double drop pompano rigs baited with fresh cut shrimp perhaps tipped with Fishbites or Fishgum. These synthetic baits slowly dissolve on the hook, releasing a scent trail to your hook.

They come in a variety of flavors and colors, and every angler seems to have their preferences. Though which works best often varies from day to day (as do fishing conditions) in my observation. But fresh bait is a key to consistent success, even if you have to find or kill it yourself. Beach ghost shrimp become the number one prey item on the menu of these surf dwelling species as the water gets cooler. These fragile baits are easily cast off, but can be better kept on the hook with a piece of Magic Thread (or Miracle Thread). It looks like elastic dental floss, and is tied to the hook and wrapped around the bait several times to secure it to the hook. VERY effective at times! Selecting the exact presentation and location to find feeding fish becomes more critical as the water gets cooler.

Remember always that fish are cold blooded, and respond in kind to their environment. Finding a good feeding spot to set your baits will ensure more fish get a look at it, and you get more action. Sandbar points, breaks and drop-offs are prime real estate in the surf zone. But keep in mind these features are transient, and can change drastically with the next storm. Wind and waves are always shaping and reshaping the beach and these sandbars. So checking around for alternative sites to fish (relocate) can often make, or save the day for you. Good luck and good fishing!

Pictured: Susan Thornton with a nice whiting destined for a fish fry.



day, Perdido Bay Baptist Church, 12600 Sorrento Rd. Pensacola; call for eligibility requirements at (850) 492-2604.
 • **Gulf Shores Woman's Club:** 11 a.m.; Palmer Room at Craft Farms; all interested women invited to attend; 251-980-5722.
 • **Gulf Shores Lions Club:** noon; 2nd & 4th Wednesday; noon; Adult Activity Center, Gulf Shores; 251-968-2823.
 • **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola

THU, NOV 11

• **Frank Brown Interntional Songwriters** Fest: multiple Al. & Fl. venues; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for sched. updates.
 • **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
 • **Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.
 • **FBISF Songwriters** 5; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for lineup; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
 • **William Gibson:** 5; The Perch at The Gulf State Park Lodge; Gulf Shores.

• **FBISF Songwriters:** 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
 • **Lauren Murphy Duo:** 5; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
 • **Bama Beach Pickleball Club:** 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).
 • **Mel Knapp:** 6; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
 • **Karaoke w. Howard:** 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
 • **Tim Roberts:** 6; The Tin Top Restaurant, Bon Secour.
 • **Karaoke & Dance on The Deck:** 7; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
 • **Late Night DJ's:** 9; The Club at Live Bait; Orange Beach.
 • **Elaine Petty:** 6; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
 • **John Brust:** 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
 • **Karaoke:** 6; Tacky Jacks; Gulf Shores.
 • **The Favorites Band:** 7; Alabama Gulf Coast Music Hall; Foley.
 • **Karaoke w. Kelly:** 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
 • **Karaoke:** 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Gulf Shores takes in \$20 million more than it spent

By John Mullen

An audit of the city of Gulf Shores 2020 budget revealed the city's revenues were \$12 million higher than expenditures during the budget year. The council received a report on the audit from Finance Director Cindy King during the Oct. 18 work session.

With the overage, the city's year-end balance in the General Fund budget increased from \$39.6 million to \$51.7 million and the overage was used for paying down a line of credit used for Hurricane Sally cleanup and other expenses and to pay for 2021 transportation projects without borrowing more money.

The audit also revealed the city's assets exceeded its liabilities by \$110 million and increased \$4.7 million in 2020 over 2019 numbers.

King reported that governmental revenues increased by \$5.37 million to \$59.2 million including \$7.9 million from federal and state grants for FEMA damages from Hurricane Sally and a tax decrease from the state of \$2.9 million mainly for the NRDA/Laguna Cove grant. The annual audit expense of \$76,000 is in the 2021 budget.

During the nine years previous to 2019 the city's finance department received the Government Finance Officers Association certificate of achievement for excellence in financial reporting. The city did not receive the designation for the 2019 audit but will submit the 2020 audit for GFOA consideration.

During the meeting, the council discussed or appointed:

- Approving an intergovernmental service agreement with the Baldwin County Commission for use of voting machines and the services of the county voting machine custodian and employees for municipal elections.
- Transferring the liquor license from Tequila's Mexican Restaurant to Cantina La Lux.
- Transferring the city's event ticket vendor to Audience View. Previously the city used Vendini but that company was bought out by Audience View which will offer the same services to the city. All costs of using the service are included in the price and fees for tickets, city documents said.
- Reappointing Billy Adcock to the Utilities Board
- Reappointing Robert Malone to the Public Education Building Authority
- Reappointing Councilman Philip Harris to the Library Board
- Reappointing Councilman Gary Sinak, Brooke Taylor, Rodney Powell and Parezetti Bauer to the Beautification Board
- Reappointing Ken McKenzie as administrative law judge
- Gary Ellis moved out of the city and Chad Green, CFO of Gulf Shores City Schools, has been nominated for his spot on the Public Parks and Recreation Board

- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Danny Grady:** 4; Fraternal Order Of Eagles, Foley.
- **Bridge:** 11:30 a.m.; Orange Beach Senior Center; 251-981-3440.
- **Texas Hold 'em:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **Kid Friendly Bingo:** 6-8 p.m.; drinks & snacks available to purchase; Bear Point Civic Assn; Orange Beach.
- **Bingo:** 5; open to all; Amvets Post 2018; 13085 Wisconsin St.; Elberta.
- **Texas Hold 'em:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **Baldwin Senior Softball Group:** 10 a.m.; 50 and over; 10 a.m.; call 225/313-8516 for info & location.
- **Gulf Shores United Methodist Church Bread Ministry:** 9-10; every Thursday; room 103 on the south campus, next to Crossroad; 251 968-2411.
- **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

FRI, NOV 12

- **Frank Brown Interntional Songwriters Fest:** multiple Al. & Fl. venues; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for sched. updates.
- **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.
- **FBISF Songwriters** 5; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for lineup; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **FBISF Songwriters:** 5:30-9; (visit frankbrownsonwriters for sched.) Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Les Linton:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **Chase Brown:** 5; The Perch at The Gulf State Park Lodge; Gulf Shores.
- **FBISF Songwriters:** 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- **Rhonda Hart & Justin Fobes:** 4; Fraternal Order Of Eagles, Foley.
- **Paper Dolls:** 6; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- **Shazam:** 9; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.

- **False Identity:** 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- **Open Mic:** 6; The The Tiki Beach Bar; American Legion Post 199, Fairhope.
- **The Favorites Band:** 7; Alabama Gulf Coast Music Hall; Foley.
- **Darrell Roberts:** 7; Stephi Cocktails / Cuisine; Orange Beach.
- **Charlie & The Hammerheads:** 7 'til; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Danny Grady:** 1; Fraternal Order Of Eagles, Foley.
- **Karaoke & Dance on The Deck:** 7; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Late Night DJs:** 9; The Club at Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **John Brust:** 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke on the Tiki Deck:** 7 'til; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club:** 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St.; Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).
- **Karaoke w. Kelly Ann:** 6; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
- **Bingo:** 5:30; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659; Elberta.
- **Alcoholics Anonymous:** noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center; 13660 Innerarity Pt. Rd.; 850-492-3056 or 492-6362.

SAT, NOV 13

- **Coastal Bait & Nutcracker Suite W. Santa:** 7; South Baldwin Community Theatre.
- **Frank Brown Interntional Songwriters Fest:** multiple Al. & Fl. venues; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for sched. updates.
- **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
- **Kip Moore & Jordan Fletcher:** 7; The Port, Orange Beach.
- **Chocolate & Cheese Festival:** 9-6; Heritage Park; Foley.
- **Horseshoe Kitty:** 9; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.

- **FBISF Songwriters** 5; visit frankbrownsonwriters.com for lineup; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Fat Lip:** 9; The Office, Foley.
- **Charlie & The Hammerheads:** 7 'til; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Wiley Pete:** 7; Stephi Cocktails / Cuisine; Orange Beach.
- **Destiny Brown:** 5; The Perch at The Gulf State Park Lodge; Gulf Shores.
- **FBISF Songwriters:** 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- **John Brust:** 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- **The Defrosters:** 2; Flying Harpoon II; Orange Beach.
- **Mid-Life Crisis:** 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- **Karaoke w. Howard:** 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **Late Night DJs:** 9; The Club at Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke on the Tiki Deck:** 7 'til; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Karaoke:** 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **The Favorites Band:** 7; Alabama Gulf Coast Music Hall; Foley.
- **Free Veteran's Breakfast:** 9-10 a.m.; American Legion Post 99, Gulf Shores.
- **Texas Hold 'em:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **Coastal Alabama Farmers and Fishermen Market:** 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.; 20733 Milflin Rd. (County Rd. 20), Foley.
- **Baldwin County Genealogical Society:** 10 a.m.; public invited; Foley Library; 319 East Laurel Ave.
- **Optimist Club of Perdido Bay:** breakfast every Saturday at 7 a.m. at the Lillian Community Club in Lillian; (251) 961-2620.
- **AA:** 10 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **AA:** 7 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- **Ladies AA:** 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

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| THANKSGIVING TRADITIONAL Turkey, sausage dressing, collard greens, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce..... | 30 |
| SWORDFISH Grilled swordfish, black-eyed peas, bacon, melted cherry tomato salad, herb oil..... | 32 |
| FISH OF THE DAY Chef's selection of Gulf Fish..... | MKT |
| FILET MIGNON 8oz filet, red potato hash, sautéed green beans, bone marrow butter..... | 42 |
| DUCK BREAST Reverse seared duck breast, glazed gingered carrots, balsamic-blueberry gastrique, graind mustard..... | 34 |
| STUFFED QUAIL Gulf shrimp & cornbread stuffed Manchester quail, smothered greens, tomato jam..... | 32 |

SIDES

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| DIRTY RICE | 8 |
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Monday 11am-9pm

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Wednesday-Saturday 11am-9pm

WHAT'S HAPPENING

SUN, NOV 14

- **Coastal Ballet's Nutcracker Suite W. Santa:** 2:30; South Baldwin Community Theatre.
- **Frank Brown Interntional Songwriters Fest:** multiple Al. & Fl. venues; visit frankbrownsonsongwriters.com for sched. updates.
- **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
- **Chase Brown & Destiny Brown:** 4; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- **Jessie Duncan:** 4; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Rock Bottom:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **FBISF Songwriters:** 2; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- **Justin Colvard:** 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- **Bends & Brews Yoga:** 11 a.m.; in the courtyard; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke & Dance on The Deck:** 7; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Liza Zanghi:** 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- **The Defrosters:** 2; Flying Harpoon II; Orange Beach.
- **John Joiner & Friends:** 4; Hub Stacey's at the Point; Innerarity Point.
- **League Pool:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **AA:** 5 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

MON, NOV 15

- **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.

- family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.
- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club:** 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).
- **Brent Burns:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Open Mic with Chris Beverly:** 6: OSO; Orange Beach.
- **Open Mic w/Davo:** 7; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- **Sandy Roots Songwriters Night:** 6; Purple Parrot Tiki Bar; Perdido Key.
- **Bingo:** 6; American Legion Post 99, Gulf Shores.
- **League Pool:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **Open Mixed Doubles Tennis:** 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
- **Celebrate Recovery:** (Christ centered 12 step program); Monday evenings at 6 p.m.; Christian Life Church in Orange Beach; 251-967-4840.
- **Overeaters Anonymous: 6; Holy Spirit Episcopal Church;** Gulf Shores, 616 Ft. Morgan Rd.; 251-709-5907.
- **Bingo:** 6; American Legion Post 99, Gulf Shores.
- **Take Off Pounds Sensibly:** 5-7 p.m.; Foley Presbyterian Church; 965-2737.songwriters all original open mic from 9:00-12:00 pm.
- **AA:** Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

TUE, NOV 16

- **Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.

3-Ring Circus Nov. 9-10 at Baldwin Co. Fairgrounds

Loomis Bros. Circus will be perform three times over two days Nov. 9-10 at the Baldwin County Fairgrounds in Robertsdale. Shows are Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 4:30 & 7:30 p.m.

Expect elephants, clowns, aerialists, and show ponies, motorcycle daredevils and acrobats. Full-priced adult tickets are \$25 and include free admission for up to 2 children ages 2-12. Buy tickets at loomiscircus.com or at the gate. All seating is general admission. The Fairgrounds is located at 19477 Fairground Rd. in Robertsdale.

Auroras White Christmas In The Tropics Dec. 3 at PBR

Local mardi gras krewe, The Auroras are hosting White Christmas In The Tropics on Dec. 3 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Perdido Beach Resort main ballroom.

The evening will include dinner and dancing to tunes provided by Jesse & The Jets. ladies are encouraged to wear white, but it is not required. Ties and jackets are suggested for men.

Please bring an unwrapped Toy to build our tree. All proceeds and the collected toys will be presented to the

Christian Service Center, a Pleasure Island based non-profit with a goal of giving people "a hand up rather than a hand out."

The 21 and over event will also include a silent auction. Tickets are \$75 per person. VIP reserved tables of 10 are available for \$1000. Ticket info: eventbrite.com.

Community Hospice fundraiser Nov. 5 at The Port in O.B.

The Community Hospice Foundation of Baldwin County (CHFBC) will host its annual Harvest for Hope fundraising event on Friday, Nov. 5 from 6 - 11 p.m. at The Port, located at The Wharf in Orange Beach. A \$100 ticket purchase admits two guests and includes one ticket for the \$5,000 drawdown.

Proceeds will help support individuals and families of those affected by a terminal illness by offering financial support, education, bereavement and advocacy.

The Tip Tops, a high-energy Motown dance and show band, will play. Event goers can also purchase additional drawdown tickets and peruse the silent auction table. Delicious food and select beverages including a signature drink will be provided. Tickets are available at communityhospiceAL.org and Eventbrite. The CHFBC is currently seeking sponsors. If your company is interested, please contact Susan Cox at 251-424-3307.

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| 1.75lt Fireball..... | \$18.55 |

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| 750ml Jam Cellars Buttery Chardonnay | \$12.95 |
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WHAT'S HAPPENING



- **Bama Beach Pickleball Club:** 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).
- **Lefty Collins:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Karaoke/Bingo:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Chris Beverly Experience:** 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **JW Karaoke:** 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- **Bingo:** 5; 45 Restaurant & Bar; One Club, Gulf Shores.
- **Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde:** 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- **Bridge:** 11:30 a.m.; Orange Beach Senior Center, 251-981-3440.
- **Bingo:** 10-2; Gulf Coast Elks Lodge; Foley.
- **Karaoke w. Kelly:** 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- **Pool Tourney:** 7; Snapper's; Orange Beach.

- **Texas Hold 'em:** 7; The Office, Foley.
- **Baldwin Senior Softball Group:** 10 a.m.; 50 and over; 10 a.m.; call 225/313-8516 for info & location.
- **Coastal Alabama Farmers and Fishermen Market:** 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.; 20733 Mi-flin Rd. (County Rd. 20), Foley.
- **Foley Kiwanis Club:** noon; Vallarta's, 1145 S. McKenzie St., Foley; 859-771-6091.
- **Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon:** 7:30 a.m.; (1st, 3rd, and 4th Tue); Point Church, 13801 Innerarity Point Rd., Pensacola.

- **Probables:** Schedule on Page 28; Perdido Key.
- **Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo:** 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.
- **Josh Newcom:** 5; Lucy Buffett's Lulu's; Gulf Shores.
- **Bingo:** 6; Tacky Jacks; Orange Beach.
- **Chase Brown:** 6; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- **Tim Richardson:** 5; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
- **Anthony Oliver:** 6; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- **Brent Burns:** 5; Ginny Lane; Orange Beach.
- **John Brust:** 6; Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- **Open Mic:** 5; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- **Mason Henderson's Saucy Fuzz:** 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- **Gary Story & Friends:** 7; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.

HAVING FUN LEARNING AT OBES: Mrs. Reeves' Project Jubilee students (above) from Orange Beach Elementary got to have a virtual meeting with Chief Meteorologist Alan Sealls. They discussed how storms develop, what it is like being a meteorologist, and how to be prepared for future hurricanes. (Below) Aunt Sally visited 6th grade at Orange Beach Elementary to teach the Order of Operations! The order is parentheses, exponents, multiply, divide, add, and subtract, which you can remember by the phrase "please excuse my dear Aunt Sally!"



Foley Rotary Oyster Run Nov. 13 in downtown Foley

The 28th Annual Foley Rotary Club Oyster Run will be held Saturday, November 13 at Orange Blossom Square in downtown Foley. The event consists of a 5k Run/Walk that will begin at 8 a.m. and a One Mile Fun Run that will begin at 9 a.m. The course is flat and fast and is certified by the USATF. Awards will be presented for all age group winners.

Each participant will receive an Oyster Run T-Shirt and other assorted swag. Race after-party will include beer, raw oysters, gumbo and pizza.

Registration information can be found at Runsignup.com or Foleyrotary.org. Race day registration will be from 6:30-7:30 a.m. All race packets can be picked up at registration on the day of the event. For more information, email Foleyoysterrun@gmail.com or call 251-923-9675.

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Funny Bones

By Ron "Bones" Jones



After seeing these gems, I think we need a new headliner writer here at Mullet Central.

- Patient at Death's Door - Doctors Pull Him Through
- Queen Mary Having Bottom Scraped
- Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant
- Killer Sentenced to Die for Second Time in 10 Years
- Never Withhold Herpes Infection from Loved One

- Police Begin Campaign to Run Down Jaywalkers
- Panda Mating Fails; Veterinarian Takes Over

A young boy enters a barber shop and the barber whispers to his customer, "This is the dumbest kid in town. Watch while I prove it to you."

The barber puts a dollar bill in one hand and two quarters in the other, then calls the boy over and asks, "Which do you want, son?"

The boy takes the quarters and leaves.

"What did I tell you?" said the barber. "That kid never learns!"

Later, when the customer leaves, he sees the same young boy coming out of the ice cream store. "Hey, son! May I ask you a question? Why did you take the quarters instead of the dollar bill?"

The boy licked his cone and replied, "Because the day I take the dollar, the game's over!"

Two times a week my wife and I go to a nice restaurant, have a glass of wine, good food and companionship. She goes on Tuesdays, I go on Fridays. We also sleep in separate beds. Hers is in California and mine

is in Texas.

I take my wife everywhere, but she keeps finding her way back.

I asked my wife where she wanted to go for our anniversary. "Somewhere I haven't been in a long time!" she said. So I suggested the kitchen.

My wife told me the car wasn't running well because there was water in the carburetor. I asked where the car was. She told me, "In the lake." She got a mud pack and looked great for two days. Then the mud fell off.

I married Miss Right. I just didn't know her first name was Always. We haven't spoken to my wife in 18 months. I don't like to interrupt her.

If you drive a Subaru in reverse, what are you? U-R-A-BUS!

Two friends are talking over lunch in an outdoor patio. "So what are you doing for summer vacation?" one asks.

The other one replies, "I want to go to Italy again, like last year."

The first asks, "Wow! You went

to Italy last year?"

The other answers, "No, but I wanted to."

When I look at chocolate, I hear two voices in my head.

The first one says, "You need to eat the chocolate."

The second one says, "You heard. Eat the chocolate."

I wanted to marry an English teacher when she got out of jail. But you can't end a sentence with a proposition.

A visitor to a certain college paused to admire the new Hemingway Hall that had been built on campus.

"It's a pleasure to see a building named for Ernest Hemingway," he said.

"Actually," said his guide, "it's named for Joshua Hemingway. No relation."

The visitor was astonished. "Was Joshua Hemingway a writer, also?"

"Yes, indeed," said his guide. "He wrote a check."

Refusing to go to the gym is a form of resistance training.

I saw my son eating chocolate even after I confiscated all his

Halloween candy. I asked him where he got that from.

He said, "I always have a few Twix up my sleeve."

I asked my wife when her birthday was.

She said March 1st. So I walked around the room and asked again.

"If you would send out a postcard reminder like the dentist," the matron told the piano tuner. "I would make sure to call you for an appointment in a timely fashion."

"From now on, when the dentist sends you a postcard, call me," he replied.

A patient sobs to his doctor, "I feel like a pair of curtains!"

Doctor replies, "Well pull yourself together man!"

A man opens his door and finds a snail on his front porch. He picks it up and throws it across the street.

A year later the man opens his door and finds the same snail on his front porch.

The snail looks up and says, "What the heck was that all about?"

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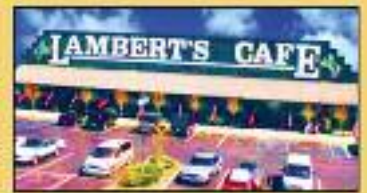
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- Crab Toast / MKT
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- Braised Pork Belly / 14
braised & glazed pork belly, fennel salad

SALADS/SOUP

- Playa Salad / 9
arugula, romaine, hearts of palm, pineapple, pickled peppers, crispy ham, coconut-lime vinaigrette
- Tender Green Salad / 10
roasted butternut squash, peccitas, cranberries
- Caesar / 8
romaine, garlic croutons, parmesan cheese
- Butternut Squash Soup / 9
cornbread

MAIN COURSES

- Thanksgiving Traditional.....30
mix of white and dark turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, mac & cheese, collard greens, cornbread & sausage stuffing, cranberry sauce
- Redfish on the Half Shell.....MKT
roasted skin-on Redfish, cornbread & sausage stuffing, cranberry sauce
- Crab Cake.....34
two crab cakes, arugula, romaine, hearts of palm, pineapple, pickled peppers, crispy ham, coconut-lime vinaigrette, pineapple remoulade
- Filet Mignon*.....39
8 oz. of super lean & tender filet mignon, garlic mashed potatoes, roasted Brussels sprouts
- Pork Chop.....30
seared dry rubbed pork chop, collard greens, cornbread

DESSERTS 10

- Bread Pudding
pumpkin-white chocolate, caramel sauce
- Banana Pudding
bananas, whipped cream, peanut butter mousse, saltine streusel
- Cheesecake
New York style, Amarena cherries, whipped cream
- Key Lime Pie
graham cracker crust, whipped cream

SIDES

- Sausage Cornbread Stuffing / 6
- Collard Greens / 8
- Brussels Sprouts / 8
- Mac-n-Cheese / 8
- Mashed Potatoes & Gravy / 8
- Cranberry Sauce / 6

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PICTURES OF THE WEEK



Jennifer Sinclair-Appelt of Nashville named this her "Welcome Home to Ft. Morgan" picture.



"Fun times and beautiful sunsets," writes David Griffin.



Rainbow on West Beach by Johnny Tekulve.



Jason Lindsey shares pictures from Fort Morgan and Orange Beach.



Pat Thornton shares a rainbow, an ideal afternoon for a sail on Wolf Bay and a unique pic of the Wharf ferris wheel.



Taken by Sam Canaan in Orange Beach. "There every year," he wrote.



Wendy Noel shares a picture taken at The Beach Club .



Ricky Martin shares a pic of Jeanie Yarbrough "saying goodbye to the beach."



Tonya Fleming shares her pic of a rainbow over Wolf Bay.



A flock of Great White Egrets born on Little Lagoon from Charles Cantrell.



"Cousins" from Nancy Pugmire of Dunwoody, GA.



David Kriegler shares a spectacular beach shot from Gulf State Park.



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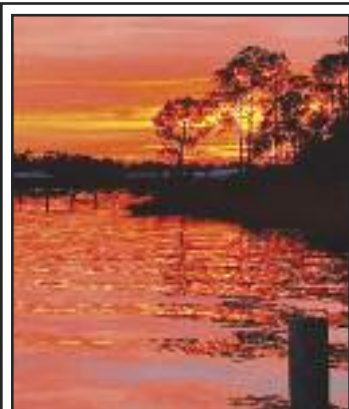
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Sunset on West Lagoon Ave. by Phillip Thomas.



"A pelican takes flight at the Gulf State Park Pier, Gulf Shores," writes Bo Johnson.



Sunset over Wolf Bay from Sharon Lanisus.



"Shorebirds sure know how to relax here," writes Pat Thornton.



"A pelican takes flight at the Gulf State Park Pier, Gulf Shores," writes Bo Johnson.



Dennis Hendrickson shares the view from his back deck on Brigadoon Trail in Gulf Shores.



Blue Angels at sunset in Gulf Shores courtesy of Simon Temperton.



"Beautiful fall sunrise over Baldwin County farmland," writes Steve Ward.



Siblings from Corydon, IN. enjoying their first visit to Gulf Shores from Alma Boylan.



Maegan Bratton shares a flowery photo from a sunflower field up in Daphne.



Champ and Bernie enjoying a walk at the beach from Robbie Gilliam.



Sam Canaan shares a "Fred" pic from Boggy Point in Orange Beach.



Mike Dodds shares his pic of an Island sunrise.



West Beach from Phillip Thomas.



"Pic from my balcony of Ole River," writes Stacy Poor.

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