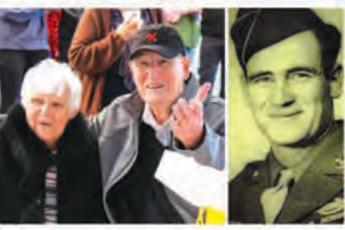


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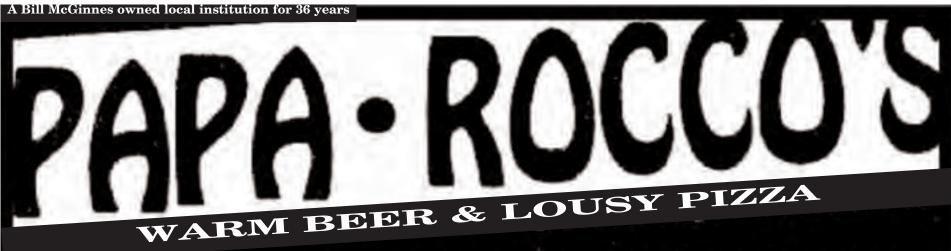






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#### AROUND TOWN

#### O.B. Town Hall Feb. 22 at Performing Arts Center

Orange Beach Mayor Tony Kennon and the City Council invite the public to a Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, February 22 at the Orange Beach Performing Arts Center. The Town Hall will begin immediately following the 5 p.m. City Council meeting, which will also be held at the Performing Arts Center.

Mayor Kennon will give a presentation and then the floor will be open for any and all questions and comments. Topics will include transportation, public safety improvements, quality of life investments, schools and any pressing issues from citizens.

The Town Hall will also be streamed live at facebook. com/or-angebeach. The Performing Arts Center is at 23908 Canal Road on the campus of Orange Beach Middle/High School.

The Feb. 15 scheduled City Council meeting will be held on February 22.)

#### Free service dog awareness workshop Feb. 15 & 17 in O.B.

A free professional development workshop, Service Dogs - Awareness for First Responders & Hospitality Services - Reduce your liability risk through education, will be held Feb. 15 & 17 at the Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach. The workshop will be presented by Lon Hodge - veteran, author and nationally known speaker working especially on behalf of veterans with invisible disabilities. Special guests will include Kelly Everson with Allie and Brian Field with Tallen. The workshop is sponsored by the City of Orange Beach. Register at CoastalArtsCenter.com. For questions, call 251-981-ARTS (2787). The CAC is located at 26389 Canal Road.



**OBPD FILLS AQUARIUM:** The Orange Beach Fire Department helped Sea, Sand, & Stars refill the Gulf Tank with 6,000 gallongs of water, and Mrs. Dore's 5th graders enjoyed watching the progress, which took about an hour. The aquarium had been drained for repairs and cleaning. A big thanks to OBFD and Mark with Coral Reef Designs for their continued support of SSS!

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#### GCAA Art Market Feb. 12 at G.S. First Presbyterian Church

By Destiny Brown

The Gulf Coast Arts Alliance (GCAA) will host it's next Art Market on Saturday, Feb. 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Gulf Shores! As always, the Art Market will feature original work from many local and regional artists displaying their crafts and creations. Everyone is welcome to this free showcase of the fine arts! We will see you February 12!

A non-profit organization, GCAA is devoted to advancing all facets of the ARTS in the communities on the Alabama Gulf Coast and beyond. The Alliance sponsors art programs, workshops and art education for all ages. To become a vendor or volunteer, visit gulfcoastartsalliance.com or call (251) 948-2627.

#### GCAA Pirate Band adds art market atmosphere

The Gulf Coast Arts Alliance Pirate Band, consisting of students of Kim Shannon, performed at the January Art Market. The band (**pictured**) includes Zella Haymon on violin, Ava Kuhn and Aviana Paulson on ukulele, Robin Smitherman on cello and Miss Kim, as Jackie Sparrow, on guitar and violin.

Ava, 6th grade, and Aviana, 5th grade, attend Fairhope West Elementary School. Zella is an 8th grader in the Baldwin County Virtual School and has been taking violin lessons with Miss Kim for six years. If you are interested in string or band instrument lessons, please contact Miss Kim at 251-463-6009.

#### Baldwin Pops play free show Feb. 13 at O.B. Event Center

Under the direction of Dr. Jason Rinehart, the Baldwin Pops Band will present a John Allen Memorial Scholarship concert at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 13 at the Orange Beach Event Center at The Wharf. Both concerts are free. But volunteer donations will support annual scholarships for high school seniors from Baldwin County who plan to continue their musical involvement in college. Band directors from all high schools are invited to nominate students to perform with the band and compete for scholarships. The scholarship winners will be announced at the second concert.

Donations for the scholarship will be gratefully accepted at each concert or by mail to Baldwin Pops Band, P.O.Box 38, Fairhope, AL 36533. This concert is sponsored by the concert cities. Info: baldwinpops.com, Facebook or 251-987-5757

When he passed away in April of 2003 at age 80, John Allen was the oldest member of the

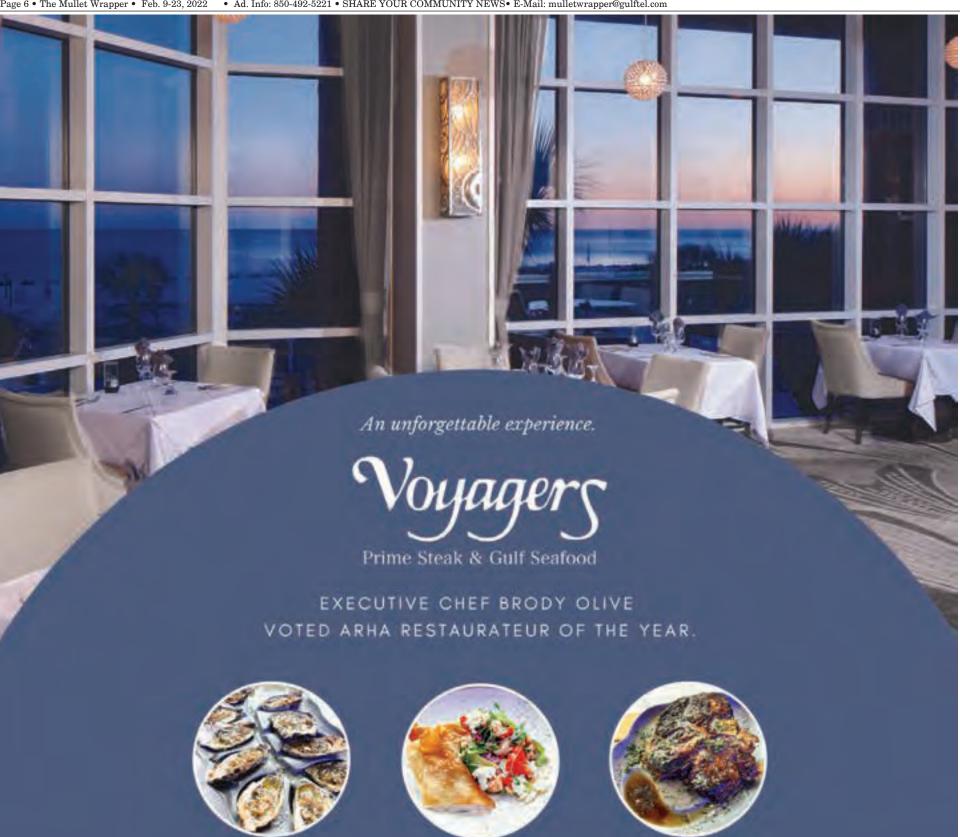
Baldwin Pops. He started playing tuba at the age of 74 in the sixth grade band at Fairhope Middle School. He progressed with his band class to the seventh then eighth grade bands and continued playing with that grade until his death. John Allen not only became a student of the tuba, he became an inspiration to his fellow students. When the Baldwin Pops Band formed in 1997, John Allen became a charter member. The scholarship fund was named in his memory.

#### Registration open for Feb. 20 We Run This Beach Marathon

Registration is now open for the We Run This Beach Marathon & Half Marathon at 7 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 20. The race will start and finish at the Gulf State Park Pavilion and traverse the pancake flat paved park trails. Overall and age group awards will be presented, and all runners will recice a huge finisher medal and a race shirt. The half marathon cutoff is five hours and the marathon cutoff is six hours. Fore more info, visit runninglane.com.



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#### Mardi Gras Mambo '22

#### Local Mardi Gras Parade Schedule

Sunday, Feb. 13

Noon-4 p.m. - • Paw-di Gras Paw-ty; Garden St., Pensacola 6:30 p.m. - Massacre Island Secret Society, Dauphin Island

Thursday, Feb. 17

6:30 p.m. - Order of Polka Dots, (Mobile)

Friday, Feb. 18

6:30 p.m. - Order of Inca (Mobile)

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

Saturday, February 19

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

Friday, February 18

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

Saturday, February 19

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

1 p.m. - Elberta Parade

1 p.m.: Navarre Beach Mardi Gras parade

 $2{:}30~\mathrm{p.m.}$ - Krewe du Kidz Walking Parade; OWA (Foley)

3 p.m. - Order of the Mystic Mutts (Fairhope)

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

Friday, Feb 25

6:45 p.m. – Maids of Jubilee (Fairhope)

7:30 p.m. - Krewe of Lafitte Illuminated Parade (Pensacola)

Saturday, Feb 26

11 a.m. – Foley parade (Foley)

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

2 p.m. – Krewe of Mullet Mates (Mullet Point) 2 p.m. – Grand Mardi Gras Parade, Downtown Pensacola

2:30 p.m. - Puppy Gras Pet Parade (OWA-Foley) 5:30 p.m. - Mystics of Pleasure, (Orange Beach)

5:30 p.m. - Marshals Motorcycle Parade (Orange Beach)

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

Sunday, Feb 27 (Joe Cain Day)

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

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

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

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

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

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

Monday, Feb 28 (Lundi Gras)

4 p.m. – Kid & Pet Parade, The Wharf, Orange Beach 6 p.m. – Evening Float Parade, The Wharf, Orange Beach

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

Tuesday, March 1 (Fat Tuesday)

7-10 a.m. - Pancake Breakfast: PBUMC Audi (Gulf Shores)

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

11 a.m. - Mr. Big & The Rhythm Sisters, Lulu's (Gulf Shores)

11 a.m. - Music on two stages all day, Flora-Bama (Perdido Key)

Noon. - Grayson Capps, Big Beach Brewery (Gulf Shores)

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

3:05 p.m. - LuLu's Boat Parade, Wharf to LuLu's, Pleasure Isle

4 p.m. - Kelly Poole & The Swing Set, Lulu's (Gulf Shores)

#### Haven's Mystic Mutts of Revelry rolls Feb. 19 in Fairhope

The Mystic Mutts of Revelry pet parade will roll through the streets of downtown Fairhope on Saturday, Feb. 19 at 3 p.m. The parade was created to help generate awareness and raise funds to help The Haven For Animals end pet homelessness in Baldwin County. Proceeds from this event provide critical medical care, nutritious food & shelter until the homeless pets are ready to be adopted into a loving home. This is the 19th year for the parade, which continues to grow. Around 300 dogs and 400 humans are expected to walk in the parade, with thousands lining the route. The parade begins and ends at Fairhoper's Community Park. This year's theme is Pawjama Party. Info: Mysticmutts.org.



## Lost Key Krewe will debut at Pensacola's two parades

There is a new Perdido Key based Mardi Gras krewe, and it has big plans for its debut season.

The brainchild of Perdido Key resident Cheri Bone, the Lost Key Krewe has recruited popular local entertainers Chris Beverly (Friday) and Mason Henderson (Saturday) to provide tunes from their float at both of downtown Pensacola's Mardi Gras parades - the Feb. 25 Lafitte Illuminated Parade and the following afternoon's Pensacola Grand Parade.

"The Lafitte Illuminated parade is all about lights. Our float will have LED & black lights shining down on our parade walkers," Cone said.

Founded just last year, the krewe's core group of visionaries and enthusiasts has not yet established dues and participation in the parades is open to everyone.

"We see this as an opportunity to use Mardi Gras parties & events to raise money towards the betterment of the Perdido Key community through organizing fundraisers, events & volunteer work as a krewe," Cone said.

To that extent, the krewe has already established a public charity to oversee both the Lost Key Krewe and Cone's second project, the Perdido Key Witches & Warlocks Halloween Paddle (pictured), which debuted last October at Galvez Landing.

All local charities will be considered by the krewe membership, and any donation or sponsorship is welcomed to help the krewe launch this new mission in our community.

"We love to have a good time. Why not have a good time and raise money for local charity projects? It's the perfect blend to me," Cone said.

Other Lost Key Krewe organizers include Logan Cox, Jaqi Lloyd, Caitlyn Parker and Taylor

Buckley

Also serving on committees are Jessica Briggs, Jason Bennett (photography), Amber Coker, Burke Page, Heather Parker, Sean Robinson, Cameron Oz, Glen Hoffman, Linda McNally, Mary Kahn & Wade Gaskins.

Yearly membership dues and meeting schedules will be determined, but the admission entry to participate in the parade is \$100 per person. A formal charity ball at a Perdido Key location will

also being considered.

A Texas native (Galveston), Coe moved here seven years ago, after working in the television broadcast industry for 20 years. She calls her position as assistant manager of program operations at WSRE her best job yet. She has also made many friends working part-time at the Purple Parrot Tiki Bar for the past three summers

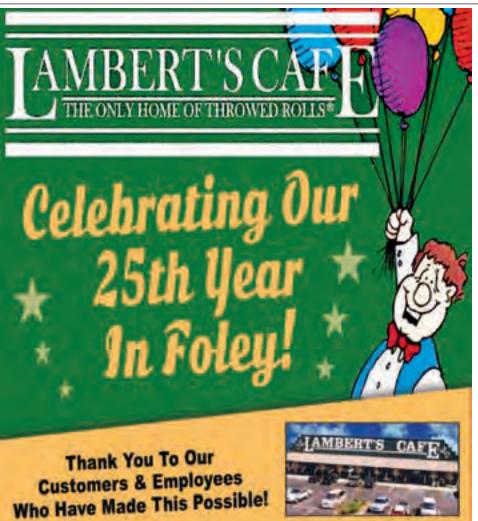
"It has been a dream of mine to make a difference in the community I live in. I love my beloved new hometown, what a hodgepodge of eclectic people who come from all over to live in the moment," she said. "Perdido Key is a very special gem in the world. I'm so excited to see how this will develop and how many people we can bring together in the future."

## Feb. 19 PLT Flotilla Parade from Innerarity to state line

The Feb. 19 Pirates of Lost Treasure Mardi Gras Flotilla starts at Holiday Harbor Marina at 10:45 a.m., parades east on the Intracoastal to the Oyster Bar, makes a U-turn to head to Perdido Bay Seafood docks, then on to Galvez Landing, then west on Ole River to the Flora Bama for a victory party. The theme for this year's Flotilla is Legends of the Sea. Prizes will be awarded at the party.



TOI KINGS LUNCHEON: Eleven of the twelve living Kings of The Mystic Order Treasures, formed in 2007, recently gathered for their Annual King's Luncheon. This years ball, "Chariots of Fire," was held on Jan. 29. Pictured: Jon Hicks, Lonnie Jones, Ralph Elders, Tom Clark, Bubba Ray, Melvin McFatter, Bayne Bridges, Kris Manuel, Ron David, Corbin Smith & Phillip Baker.



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## Army Ranger Assn. base at 'Bama honors oldest living Merrill's Marauder Daphne resident Gabriel Kinney was one of the original U.S. Army Rangers

The U.S. Army Ranger Association officially recognized the Flora-Bama as its Gulf Coast base in grand style during the group's Feb. 5 meeting at the world famous Lounge on

The Gabriel Kinney Ranger Base will be the first in Ranger history to bear the name of a living U.S. Army Ranger. Congressional Gold Medal recipient and Daphne resident Gabriel Kinney is also one of only four remaining Merrill's Marauders, the Ranger battalion that fought in the Burma/India Theater in 1944.

"I was already in a dangerous situation. It was all the same to me. I was worried every day. Was I going to make the next day? It was just as dangerous one place to another."

At age 101, Kinney is also the oldest living Ranger.

Kinney was joined at the ceremony by 20 family members and at least twice that many members of the U.S. Army Ranger Assn., which was formed in 1973 to strengthen relationships among Rangers past, present and future.

Kinney and all eight of his brothers served in World War II. His last remaining sibling, Patrick, died in 2019 at 107. Patrick was also in Burma, but he did not serve as a Marauder.

The UWF Honor Guard presented the colors, and the 6th Ranger Battalion out of Hurlburt Field also participated in the event. Kinney, who turned 101 on

Feb. 2, spoke eloquently during the ceremony that also cel-

ebrated his birthday. Already in the U.S. Army Ranger Hall of Fame at Fort Benning, home of the Army's largest Ranger base, Kinney was awarded a Presidential Unit Citation, six Distinguished Service Crosses, four Legions of Merit, 44 Silver Stars, and

a Bronze Star during WWII.

He and the seven other Marauders who were alive at that time were presented Congressional Gold Medals in 2020. Those surviving Marauders accepted the honor to keep alive the values of duty, honor and sacrifice for country on behalf of their late combat brothers. George Washington, Neil Armstrong and The Tuskegee Airmen are among past recipients.

The Marauders, named after its commander, Army Brig. Gen. Frank D. Merrill, were a jungle warfare unit that served in Burma in 1944. In just six months, the 3,000 men in its three battalions fought five major battles and engaged the much larger, elite Japanese 18th Division 30 other times. Its success opened a critical land route so the United States could supply and support its Chinese allies. The mission was crucial in defeating the Japanese.

By the time it was deactivated in August 1944, Merrill's Marauders had lost 90 percent of its 3,000 men to fatal or incapacitating combat injuries, starvation and disease.

"When we were disbanded, there was less than 200 that were still fighting," Kinney said.

Highly trained Special Forces, from Rangers to Green Berets to Navy Seals, look to Merrill's Marauders as commando role models.

Before volunteering, the Marauders were told only that the mission was top secret and generally considered suicide.

"I was already in a dangerous situation. It was all the same to me," Kinney said.

The Marauders covered an estimated 1,000 miles on foot,

"After we had volunteered and we were put in the situation we were put into, it was do what you had to do in order to stay alive. There was no turning back, no place to go anywhere."

crossing treacherous jungle and mountainous terrain from India into Burma and part of the Himalayas to capture a Japanese airstrip and open a supply line into China for C-47 cargo planes loaded with valuable equipment.

No other American force except the First Marine Division, which took and held Guadalcanal for four months, has ever been exposed to as much uninterrupted jungle fighting. And no other American force anywhere has marched as far, fought so continuously or had to display such endurance as those swift-moving, hard-hitting foot soldiers.

"All those guys were something else. I don't know where they

found it or how they were able to dig so deep. But they did," said Chris Rivers, commander of the Gabriel Kinney Ranger Base.

During one 13 day battle against Japanese soldiers in Burma that ended on Easter Sunday of 1944, Kinney sustained two hits from shrapnel and a bullet across his helmet. He and his fellow Marauders went without food or water for five days. They were even more concerned about their dwindling supplies of ammunition.

At the end of their campaign, all remaining Marauders still in action were evacuated to hospitals. Most of them suffered from tropical diseases, exhaustion and malnutrition. Or as the tags on their battered uniforms read, "A.O.E." (Accumulation Of Everything).

"It still hurts," Kinney said about the Merrill's Marauder fatalities. "After we had volunteered and we were put in the situation we were put into, it was do what you had to do in order to stay alive. There was no turning back, no place to go anywhere.

"The purpose of our mission was to get supplies to China," he added. "It was definitely a success. We completed everything we went out for."

Although he has since spoken to graduating Rangers at

Fort Benning, where he met Georgia's last living Marauder, Kinney said during a 2016 interview with Alabama Media Group that he still does not like to talk about his war expe-

"I congratulated the boys on graduating. And I told them if the Rangers from Merrill's Marauders could see what I was seeing, they would be proud of seeing that (Merrill's Marauder) crest on their uniforms," he said.

Kinney was already fighting in the South Pacific Theater when he volunteered for what was supposed to be a three to six week secret mission in 1943. Projected casualties were 85 percent.

"I don't know why we joined. It sounded like they needed some people with some combat experience, and we volunteered," he said. "To be honest with you, I was worried every day. Was I going to make the next day? It was just as dangerous one place to another."

"We needed a base somewhere on the panhandle of Florida and the national association wants us to find a reputable and sometimes infamous venue that is also well known."

Across the span of 17 months, the Marauders, accompanied by supply mules, marched 1,000 miles. Jungle diseases ravaged their numbers to the point that only about 300 of the approximate 1,300 remaining original Marauders were still considered fit for combat when they reached and captured the Myitkyina airfield, according to Army records.

"There was a point in time we had gotten where the ones who were not alive were the lucky ones," Kinney told Alabama Media Group. "It got to that point. I've seen them look down at one that was in very bad shape and say, 'You lucky so-and-so."

The battle for Myitkyina airfield took several weeks and generated additional heavy losses for the Marauders, who were disbanded shortly after the victory on Aug. 10, 1944.

"I was just out of it then. Not worth living, actually," Kinney said. "I was really mentally not good at all. I do see now why the soldiers who have been in war awhile are getting psychiatric help. We did not. There was something wrong

Kinney returned to combat during September and most of October, before he was granted a 21-day leave to return home to see about a young lady who grew up about a mile away from him and his 11 siblings in Cullman County. The two met while attending school in Hanceville.

He would marry Elena Harris in September of 1945 and they would go on to raise six children.

Kinney was honorably discharged from the Army two months later. He worked for U.S. Steel in Birmingham from 1947 until his retirement in 1982. He and Elena raised six children and Elena and many members of his family were still by his side at the Feb. 5 ceremony.

Commander Rivers inscribed the Marauders' crest on one side of the Kinney Ranger Base coin. A picture of Kinney is **Continued On Page 16** 













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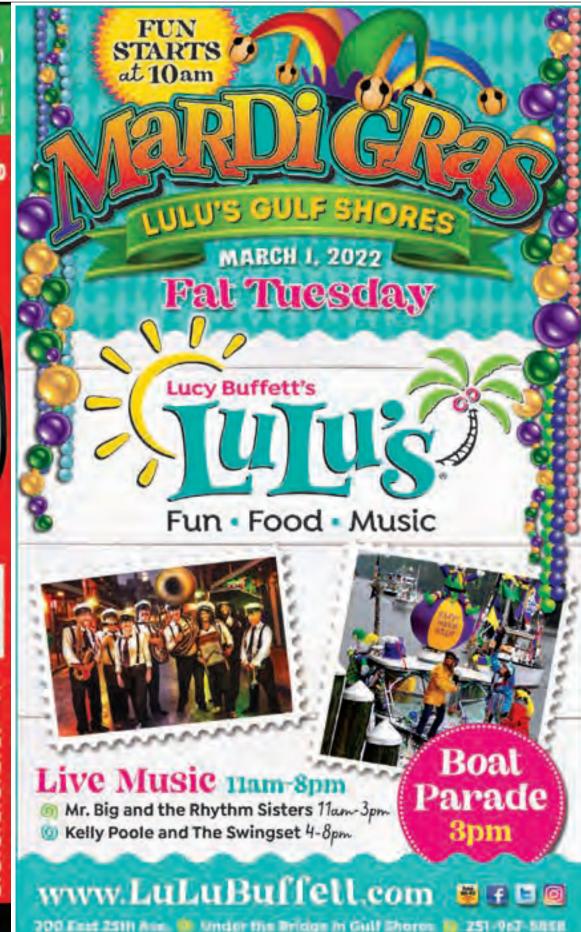
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#### AROUND TOWN



#### 27th Super Chili Cook-Off slated Feb. 12 at Flora-Bama

Let the chopping begin. The 28th Annual Flora-Bama Super Bowl Chili Cook-Off is set for Feb. 12 from noon-2 p.m. in the tent stage at the world-famous honky tonk on the Al-Fl state line. Come by, sample the wide variety of dishes and help raise funds for The American Cancer Society. Tasting tickets are \$20 for unlimited tastings, one free beer or non-alcoholic beverage and one People's Choice ticket. Service begins at noon. In addition to the top three judges' awards, certificates will be presented for the best decorated booth and people's choice. All proceeds raised will be dontaed to the American Cancer Society. Tickets can be purchased day of eventbeginning at 10 a.m. The Flora-Bama is located on the Gulf of Mexico at the State Line. **Pictured:** Teams competing in the 2021 cook-off.



#### Christian Service Center Spaghetti Dinner is canceled

The Christian Service Center will annual spaghetti dinner, originally scheduled on February 22 at the Gulf Shores United Methodist Church, has been canceled due to continued Omicron concerns. But the need among those families it helps is still great for the CSC, a "Hand Up" rather than a "Hand Out" agency. CSC clients are given immediate emergency aid as well as guidance on finding solutions to their problems. The CSC is a 100 percent volunteer agency funded by the churches of Pleasure Island, various community organizations, including the United Way of Baldwin County, and interested individuals. For more information please call the CSC at 251-968-5256 or visit cscgs.com.

#### GSP Family Fun Day Feb. 12 at Pavilion

Gulf State Park's annual Family Fun Day will be Saturday, Feb. 12 at the Beach Pavilion from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Festivities include obstacle course races and a creative craft station. Animal ambassadors from the GSP Nature Center will also be there to greet visitors, Marine Resources Officers will be offering boat tours.

## Discover your inner poet at Feb. 12 valentine brunch

A Valentine's Poetry Brunch will be held Saturday, February 12th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach. Love your writing and write your love. Discover your inner poet while enjoying mimosas and delicious treats. The host will be Poet Lon Hodge and the brunch is sponsored by the Friends of the Arts. A poetry journal will be provided. Bring a friend, bring a love for a fun morning class.

The cost is \$10 per person. Register at CoastalArtsCenter.com or call 251-981-ARTS (2787).

#### Periodic closures start Feb. 28 at Galvez Landing

The Galvez Landing parking lot and boat ramp on Innerarity Point will experience periodic closures for maintenance beginning Monday, Feb. 28. Closures are necessary in order to resurface and restripe the parking lot. The parking lot and boat ramp will not be accessible while work is taking place.

In addition to the parking lot, Galvez Road and Cruzat Way will also be resurfaced and restriped. Access to adjacent properties will be maintained, although there may be periods when a driveway or entrance is temporarily blocked during construction. Work is expected to be completed by Friday, March 11.

Info: 850-595-3443.



inscribed on the other side.

"He is our guy," said Rivers.

Formed one year ago as the Ranger's first Gulf Coast satellite base, the local group usually attracts 15 to 20 Rangers to the Flora-Bama the first Saturday of every month beginning around noon. Wives are invited.

"We needed a base somewhere on the panhandle of Florida and the national association prefers that we find a reputable and sometimes infamous venue that is also well known," Rivers said.

Having been a Flora-Bama patron for 35 years, Rivers had just the right place in mind. And it certainly helps that Flora-Bama co-owner Cam Price is a second generation Army Ranger.

"Cam didn't even let me finish before he said let's do it, and we immediately started to build it," Rivers said.

Fellow Rangers Mike Wagers, Joe Stringham and Art Cobb helped Rivers form the base and were later instrumental and supportive of

changing the national association laws to allow a living Ranger's name to be honored with a

base.

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Rivers said The Flora-Bama generously provides a meal for the Rangers at their meetings and, if the Rangers promise to root for Army vs. Navy (Price is a West Point grad), a few free drink cards.

Rivers said the base's primary mission, in addition to getting together to drink beer and swap stories, is to look out for the physical and mental well being of its membership. Any funds it raises are presented to the national organization.

Rivers said he and every other Ranger who has qualified for the elite fraternity are in awe of the courage displayed by the Marauders. They feel the same about the companies of the 2nd Ranger Battalion who fought to secure Omaha Beach during the Battle of Normandy and the Rangers who scaled the 100-foot promontory with nothing more than ropes and rickety ladders, as enemy gunfire and grenades rained down, picking them off as they climbed during the battle for Pointe du Hoc.

The story of how those Rangers secured that strategic high ground and silenced a small battery of long-range German guns became one of the most heroic moments of the D-Day invasion and was the basis for the film, "The Longest Day."

"For a Ranger like me, it was like talking to a living legend," Price said about Kinney's visit. "I mean this was an opportunity to have a picture taken with one of Merrill's Marauders - one of the first Army Rangers.

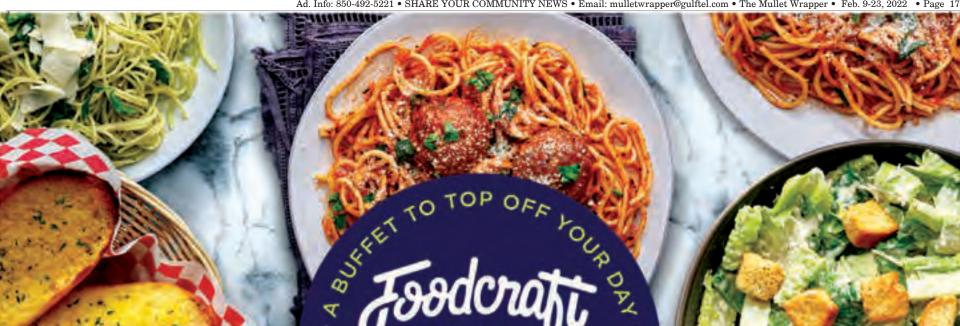
"I was the first to ask to take a picture with him and he was so gracious. He stood for 45 minutes so about 50 other Rangers could get a picture with him. I will always cherish that picture of me and Gabe together."

Price said the base "provides fertile ground for comradery to flourish," and that he especially enjoyed meeting of Kinney's family.

For most of their lives, the six Kinney children never knew anything about their father, the war hero and Army Ranger legend.

"One of his daughters said she never knew about all of that, but she always did feel safe around him," Price said.

All Rangers and their guests are welcome at the group's monthly meetings. For more info, email florabamarangerbase@aol.com or call Commander Rivers at 850-393-4224.



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#### PICTURES OF THE WEEK



Photos of Gulf Shores beaches from Steve Easley.







"Nice sunset reflected with the

moonrise over Perdido Key,"

writes Rick Julian.

"Stunning view this morn-Kathy Fosterling of Marathon ing," writes Laurie Kipp. shares a West Beach sunset.



"I couldn't have asked for a better sunset. Love our time in Gulf Shores," writes Margarita Lannon.



River from Rick Julian of Cormorant, MN.



The view from the 17th floor at Crystal Towers from Sharon Kimmel.



From Sheila Wink.



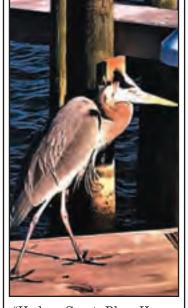
Stephen Gabel shares a pre-dawn picture from Gulf Shores.



"Chasin' the big one," writes Sue Keeling.



"Vic from Wisconsin caught a nice redfish," writes Kristine Buehler.

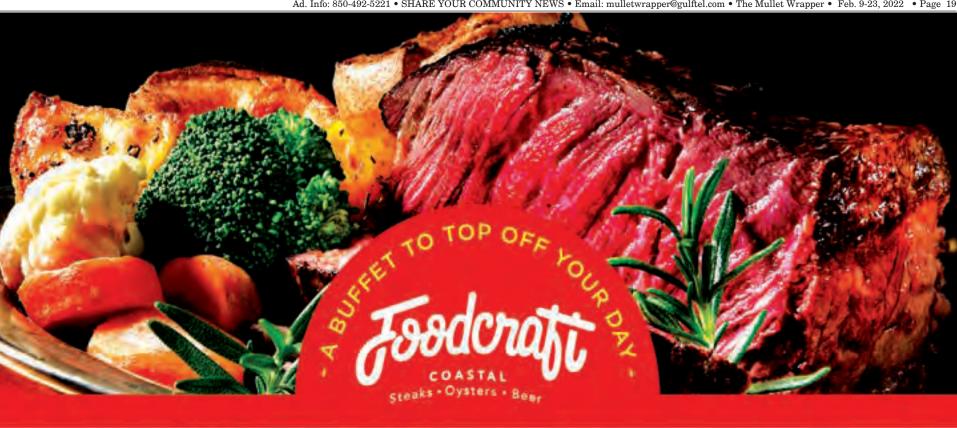


"Had a Great Blue Heron visit while fishing for the dock. They like to steal the shrimp from the pail," writes Rick Julian, who is visiting from Lake Park MN. Rick said it was a 110 degrees colder at home when he arrived here.



"Some days when the fish do not bite you can get lucky with other fine seafood," writes Rick Julian of Rick Julian, Cormorant, MN.

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Spiced Beef Au Jus, Horseradish Cream, Dijon Mustard

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#### **AROUND TOWN**

#### Foley Art Center hosts Feb. 12 pop-up art show

The Foley Art Center will host a Pop Up Local Arts & Crafts Show on Saturday, Feb. 12 at the Art Center's

gallery in historic downtown Foley.

The event will be from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. and the alley behind the Foley Art Center will be blocked to thru traffic to provide safety to pedestrians. Vendors will be current members with the Foley Art Center, and the inside of the gallery will be open as well to shop from items in the from more than 100 local artists. The Foley Art Center is located at 211 N. McKenzie St. For more info, email foleyartcenter@gmail.com, call 251 943.4381 or visit foleyartcenter.



#### Artworks/Perdido Artist Gallery auction items on display Feb. 16-28 "Pelicans Have Landed" is theme for Wildlife Sanctuary benefit

Perdido Artist Gallery & Gifts and Artworks will be holding a popular silent auction to benefit the Wildlife Sanctuary Of Northwest Florida. The theme is The Pelicans Have Landed. Participating artists will pick up wood pelican blanks, take them home to embellish with their medium of choice and return them to both galleries by Feb. 15. It will be fun to see how each artist uses their talents to make the pelicans come alive.

The pieces will be on display Feb. 16-28, and the public can visit the galleries, vote on their favorite and place bids to win. Bidding closes at 5 p.m. on Feb. 28. High bidders will be notified and can pick up their winning pelicans. Samples of finished pelican art will be posted on the Facebook pages and websites of both galleries as they arrive.

Perdido Artist Gallery & Gifts is located at 5660 Segura Ave. in Pensacola, one block off Sorrento Road, next to the new Circle K. Artworks is located at 13700 Perdido Key Drive in the Villagio

Town Center on Perdido Key.

Artworks will also host an open house featuring local artists and their art, along with food and refreshments to commemorate their 1-year anniversary of the gallery's opening under its new ownership group on March 2 from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. The event will include drawings for three gift baskets. Meet the artists and see the wide variety of unique and one-of-a-kind pieces of art for sale. Items include exotic wood items; pottery and ceramics; glass art; machine sewn, embroidered and quilted items; jewelry; acrylic and watercolor paintings; photography, and handcrafted wood



#### Symphony Archduke Trio at Coastal Art Center Feb. 17

The Mobile Symphony Archduke Trio will appear at the Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach on Thursday, Feb. 17 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 in advance. The concert will take place in the gallery listening room. Tickets are on sale by phone or in person at the Coastal Arts Center at 251-981-2787 (ARTS). Seating is limited for these up-close performances. The Coastal Arts Center is at 26389 Canal Road.



#### G.S. teachers awarded **AMSTI** robotics grants

Gulf Shores Elementary and Gulf Shores Middle School teachers were recently awarded an AMSTI grant for robotics. Hilary McKinney (1) will be getting Lego robots, and Brittney Reeves will be getting Vex robots. Congratulations and we thank them for their commitment in helping create fantastic STEAM opportunities for our students in Gulf Shores City Schools.

#### John Schneider & special guests at Flora-Bama Feb. 19

John Schneider, star of the 1980's TV show The Dukes of Hazzard, will bring his Stars N Bars Band, special guests Keith Burns & Cody McCarver, and even his iconic Dodge Charger, The General Lee, to the Flora-Bama for a one-off show on Feb. 19. Doors open at 6 p.m., and \$20 general admission tickets are on sale at florabama.com. Several VIP packages, including a chance to ride in the General Lee with Schneider, are also available.

Schneider spent seven years in Hazzard County running from Sheriff Roscoe P. Coltrane as the lead male eye candy in the CBS hit. Dukes of Hazzard ran for seven seasons and 147 episodes. And in the midst of it, between 1984 and 1987, he had four #1 hits and nine straight Top 10 songs while signed with MCA.

He later starred in The Have and the Have Not's and Smallville

and was a hit on Dancing With The Stars.

Schneider regularly plays to packed houses in Nashville with a personable show that includes acoustic guitar strumming, lots of jokes and the story behind most of his hits. A prodigious writer, in 2009 Schneider released six albums alone. A portion of the proceeds of the sale of his latest release, Truck On, benefit St. Christopher Truckers Relief Fund, a nonprofit organization that offering assistance to semi-truck drivers and their families.





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#### WHAT'S HAPPENING.



#### **Grand Hotel Meditation Retreat Feb 18-20**

The Meditation Center of Alabama will host a meditation retreat at the Grand Hotel in Fairhope Feb. 18-20. The retreat will be led by teaching monk Venerable Klint Kunachawo, and will include meditation, wisdom talks, yoga, qigong & more. Monk Klint grew up learning and practicing Buddhism and meditation. An ordained monk since 2010, the United States native currently teaches meditation at the Dhammakaya International Meditation Center in Fanwood, New Jersey. He studied at Drew University and earned a Bachelor Degree in Psychology.

Venerable Klint is deeply committed to spreading happiness and

peace to the world one person at a time.

The suggested donation for the entire retreat is \$110 and one day options are also available. Everything will be streamed live on zoom for those who may be joining from home due. Visit meditationcenterofalabama.weebly.com, email happiness072@gmail. com, or call Lar at 251-408-7902, or Nena at 251-214-2080 for more info. **Pictured:** A meditation session at a previous retreat at the magnificent Grand Hotel.

#### GSWC scavenger hunt Feb. 19 in nine Baldwin locations

The Gulf Shores Woman's Club is sponsoring a fun filled, family event to raise money to provide scholarships for local students. The Scavenger Hunt 2022 will take place on Feb. 19 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Ticket holders will use clues to find nine locations in the Gulf Shores, Orange Beach, and Foley area and get the ticket stamped at each location to be eligible for fabulous door prizes. The cost per ticket is \$20 and all adults must have a ticket to participate. Tickets can be purchased at Coastal Cake & Confections, Fran's on 59, Southern Shores Coffee, Too Hot Mamas, and Wildflowers Boutique. This event will provide a great day to explore our diverse area and enjoy the great outdoors.

#### Exit Stage Left presents "Sealed For Freshness" Feb. 11-13

The Foley based Exit Stage Left Theater group will present Sealed for Freshness on Feb. 11-12 at 6:30 p.m., and Feb. 13 at 1:30 p.m. at The Foley Civic Center (407 E. Laurel Ave.). Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at exitstageleft.org.

Doug Stone has set his play in 1968 during the heyday of Tupperware parties. Hostess Bonnie invites a group of neighbors over for a party. The guest list: perky, rich Jean, Jean's cranky and very pregnant sister Sinclair, ditzy-blonde Tracy Ann and new neighbor Diane, who's made quite a career selling Tupperware, but at the expense of her marriage. The mix of personalities and the number of martinis consumed lead to a great deal of absurd high jinks plus revelations of an equal number of secrets and insecurities.

as a way to share their passion for performance and dedication to education. For more ESL info, call 251.385.3753 or email info@ExitStageLeft.org.

Exit Stage Left was formed by Jude D. McCoy, Rena F. McCoy, Lacy Ignacio McFadden, DeAnn Milly and Chase S. Morrisette Kevin Cobb is FAC's

Feb. featured artist

A reception for award winning artist Kevin Cobb, the Foley Art Center's February featured artist, will be held Feb. 10 from 5-7 p.m. at the FAC gallery at 211 N. McKenzie Št. (Hwy 59). For more info, call 251-943-4381.

Cobb works with primarily three different mediums; soft pastels, acrylics and watercolors. His art allows him to bring smiles to others with his creativity and imagination. A stroke of a pastel, a sweep of a brush, a blank canvas, all these elements combined with an idea become an expression of Kevin. They become his art. A piece of his heart. As a high school student, Kevin found his niche in art class. He found his voice. A passion that over time has grown and evolved.

WED, FEB 9

• Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Per-

• 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).

· Bingo w. Tim Roberts: 6; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.

 Coconut Radio: 4; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Fort Morgan.

• T-Bone Montgomery: 6; Front Porch, Lillian.

• Karoake: 7; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Fort Morgan. • Jeff Ivanhoff: 5; Rotolos, Orange Beach.

• Mel Knapp: 5; Carvers Steakhouse, Orange Beach.

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

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

• Bingo: 6; Tacky Jacks; Orange Beach. • John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby

Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange

Open Mic: 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
 Mason Henderson's Saucy Fuzz: 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.

· Gary Story & Friends: 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.

• Tim Richardson: 5; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
• Karaoke: 7; Bar 45 at ONE CLUB, Gulf

John Joiner & Darrel Roberts: 7; Hub

Stacy's, Innerarity Point. • Bingo: 10 a.m.; American Legion Post

99; Foley.
• BBRC Running Club: 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; lafleetfeet.com.

· Karaoke & League Pool: 7:30; The Office, Foley.

**THU, FEB 10**• Andy Andrews Live: 12:15; Andy Andrews General Store & Museum; The Wharf, Orange Beach.

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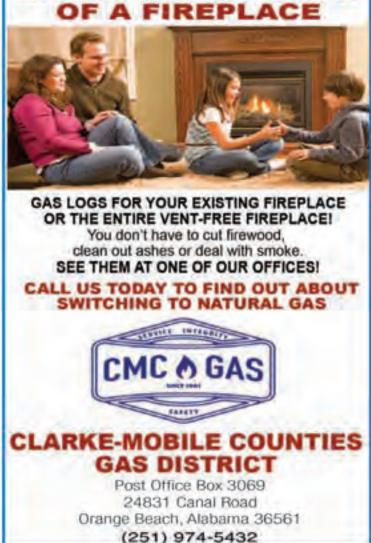
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- ior Center, 251-981-3440. • Texas Hold 'em: 7; The Office, Foley.
- Kid Friendly Bingo: 6-8 p.m; drinks & snacks available to purchase; Bear Point Civic Assn; Orange Beach.
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#### Volunteers needed for March 12 BBQ & Blues in Foley

Volunteers are being solicited to help present the 14th Annual Foley BBQ & Blues Cook-Off scheduled Saturday, March 12  $\,$  at Heritage Park in Foley. Volunteers are needed for the front gate, beverage/souvenir sales and more. All funds raised at the fest will benefit the South Baldwin Chamber Foundation. For more info, call 251.943.5590 or visit foleybbgandblues.net.

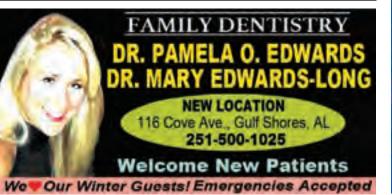
#### World's best zydeco bands booked for April 16 fest in G.S.

Some of the most highly regarded zydeco icons in the world, including Buckwheat Zydeco Jr., Rockin Dopsie Jr. and Rosie Ledet, have been booked to play the April 16 Waterway Village Zydeco and Crawfish Fest in Gulf Shores. The event will be moved across the street to the parking lot west of Tacky Jack's and east of The Sloop this year. The fest is free and includes arts and crafts vendors and children's activities on site.

The City of Gulf Shores, the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber, Gulf Shores and Orange Beach Tourism, and Waterway Village merchants are listed as joint sponsors of the fest.

Festivities will kick off at 8 a.m. with a 5K run/walk benefitting Furrever Homes. For more information, call 251-968-1171 or visit gulfshoresAL.gov.

The full music line-up: 10 a.m. - Donna Angelle & the Zydeco Posse'; 11:15 a.m. - Excelsior; 11:30 a.m. - Rosie Ledet & the Zydeco Playboys; 1 p.m. - Excelsior; 1:15 p.m. - IIs Sont Partis Band Ft. Buckwheat Zydeco Jr.; 2:30 p.m. - Excelsior; 2:45 p.m. -Rockin Dopsie Jr.; 4:15 p.m. - Excelsior; 4:30 p.m. - Chubby Carrier & the Bayou Swamp Band.





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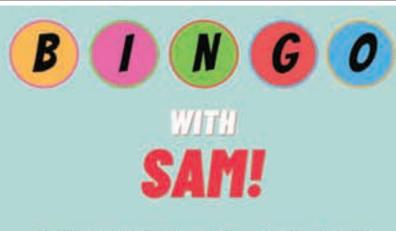
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Top Deck

\$:30 - Wes Loper

**Tent Stage** 

1:00 - 4:00 Bingo w/ 5am

FRIDAY-11

Military Night

SATURDAY-12 Good Time

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SUNDAY-13

Service Industry Night 6 PM Hospitality Industry gets free admission, 1st drink free (\$5 value). & employee prices

MONDAY-14

Service Industry Night 6 PM Hospitality Industry gets free admission, 1st drink free (\$5 value). & employee prices

Main Room

12.00 - Mike Diamond

4:00 - Open Mic w/Cathy

**Face** 

8:00 - Petty & Pace

Top Deck

**TUESDAY-15** 

Service Industry Night & PM Respitality Industry gets free admission, 1st drink free (\$5 value). & employer prices.

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WEDNESDAY-16

Ladies' Night 6-9 PM Ladies get first drink free (\$5 value)

Main Room 1.00 - Neil Dover 5:02 - Rhonda Hart Duo 9:00 - Ryan Dyer

Top Deck

8.30 - Shea White

Tent Stage 11:00 - Bat for Welcome Wednesday

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Main Room 17:00 Les Anne Creswell Du 1:00 - J Hawkins Due 2 00 - jamboy Storey 6.00 - Scott Xoehn Project 5:00 - Mark Sherrill & 10:15 - Johnny Hayers Friends. 9:15 - Janboy Storey

Dome Stage

1:00 - Zachary Diedrick 5:30 - Big Earl Show 10:00 - Ryan Dyer Band

Tent Stage 1:00 - 4:00 Bings w/ Sam Main Room

11:00 - Johnny Barbato 2:00 - J Hawkint Dog 6:00 - Johnny Hayes 10:15 - Brandon Blackburn

**Dome Stage** 

1:00 - Jamboy Storey 5:30 - Big Earl Show 10:00 - Mario Mena Band Main Room

12:30 - Rick Whaley & the Perdido Brothers 4.00 - Zachary Diedrich #:30 - Mario Mena

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1200 - Al & Cathy 3:00 - Oliver's Twist

Top Deck E 00 - Mason Henderson

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Dome Stage 4:30 - Steve & Joe Plane

Top Deck 9:30 - Patrick Cross

**Tent Stage** 

1:00 - Bingo w/ Sam

FRIDAY-18

Military Night

SATURDAY-19 **Good Time** 

Good Music

SUNDAY-20

Service Industry Night 6 PM Hospitality Industry gets free admission, 1st drink free (\$5. valuet. & employee prices

Main Room

12:30 - Rick Whaley & The

Ferdido Brothers

4 00 - Kaleb King

8:30 - Dallas Moore Due

Top Deck

Service Industry Night & PM Hospitality Industry gets free admission, 16t drink free (\$5

MONDAY-21

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Main Room

12:00 - Mike Diamond

4:00 - Open Mic w/Cathy

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Service Industry Night 6 PM

Main Room

12:00 - T-Bone Montgomery 4:00 - Rick Whaley & the Perdido Brothers E:00 - Brandon Blackburn

Top Deck

**Tent Stage** 

TUESDAY-22 WEDNESDAY-23 Ladies' Night 6-9 PM

Ladies get first drink free (\$5 value)

Main Room 1300 - Neil Dover 5:00 - Rhonda Harr Due 9.00 - Willie Traywick

Top Deck 8:30 - Mason Henderson

Tent Stage

12 00 - black Moore for Welcome Wednesday

#### Main Room

11:00 - Lea Anne Creswell bus 2:00 - Kaleb King 6:00 - Scott Koehn Project

10:15 - Dallas Moore Duo **Dome Stage** 

1.00 - Wes Loper 5:30 - The Big Earl Show 10:00 - Chris Beverly Trio

Tent Stage 100 - Bingo with Sam

#### Main Room

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Dome Stage

1:00 - Kaleb King 5:30 - Steve & Joe w/ Mel Knpp 10:00 - Tyler Livingston & the Absolutes

#### **Tent Stage**

10:05 - David Dunavent. 7:00 - John Schneider

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#### Top Deck 4:00 - Dew Pendleton 8:00 - Ryan Dyer

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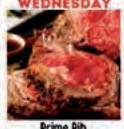
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#### WHAT'S HAPPENING



#### Ballyhoo Fest March 5-6 at Gulf State Park

By Eloise Thomley

It's almost time to Ballyhoo! The Ballyhoo Festival is a unique blend of fine art and cultural exchange, and it's set for March 5-6 at the Gulf State Park, 20115 State Park Road, Gulf Shores. With more than 80 vendors, visitors will have the opportunity to see some of the best original fine art and fine crafts in the Southeast. The festival times are 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday, March 5, and 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday March 6.

In addition to fine art, the Ballyhoo Festival will share the culture of the Poarch Creek Indians, the only federally recognized tribe in the State of Alabama. The PCI Cultural Director will provide historical narrative about the tribe and will describe the meaning of each tribal dance. The Poarch Creek (**pictured**) will perform original tribal dance in ceremonial regalia at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 5.

Sunday, March 6, will feature Early Americana music in the form of a Fiddle/Banjo Competition, sponsored in part by FloraBama and Frank Brown International Songwriters Festival. Fiddle and banjo players will be competing all day and will be warming up at different areas of the park before getting on stage. At 3 p.m., there will be a special performance by the Cotton Pickin' Kids, an Alabama family of three brothers and three sisters, ages 11 to 19, all who play different instruments and specialize in bluegrass music.

Bring your lawn chairs or enjoy sitting on the soft grass surrounding the Wind Creek Stage. Our performers always enjoy a big crowd. The emcee for March 5 and 6 will be Darwin Singleton of Channel 15 (NBC), Mobile

Kid's Korner will have art projects for children and the Wind Creek Stage will feature The Destinations (**pictured**), Rollin' in the Hay and Emily Stuckey and Amanda Donald. Visitors will enjoy live art demonstrations by Greg Cartmell, a renown artist from Meridian. The food will be bountiful and the friendly hospitality of the fun-loving residents of Coastal Alabama will make visitors want to spend the day.

Parking will be at the Gulf State Pier, the Gulf State Lodge and the Gulf State Pavilion. Park Rangers will be on hand to provide directions and assistance. Attendees can drop off guests at the park entrance, then park at one of the parking sites and walk over the bridge to the festival. All handicapped parking will be available inside the festival grounds. Shuttles will be available at the Gulf State Pavilion.

The Ballyhoo Festival is an event of the non-profit, Gulf Coast Arts Alliance, with office and Gallery at 225 E 24th Ave., Gulf Shores, Al. This event is assisted by Gulf Shores-Orange Beach Tourism and the State of Alabama Tourism Dept., and the State of Alabama Parks and Recreation.





## Parrothead favorite Jimmy V at Sassy Bass Grill on Feb. 12

Jimmy Maraventano of Jimmy and the Parrots will play Trop Rock songs at Sassy Bass



Amazin Grill (5160 Highway 180in Fort Morgan on Saturday, Feb. 12 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Jimmy's band has sold more than 100,000

units of its 3-CD set Island Jams. They've headlined the Meeting of The Minds, a huge Jimmy Buffett/Parrot Head Convention in Key West, multiple times and have played with Doyle Grisham, Michael Utley, Nadirah Shakoor, and Robert Greenidge from Buffett's Coral Reefer Band.

Two time Trop Rock Entertainers of the Year, the band has played all over the United States and the Caribbean for almost 25 years. A second three-CD set entitled "Sun Jams," was released as a follow up to "Island Jam" and includes guest appearances by the Coral Reefer Band's Doyle Grisham, and the legendary Gary US Bonds.

- Darrell Roberts: 7; Stephi Cocktails / Cuisine; Orange Beach.
- Sandy Roots: 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- Karaoke & Dance on The Deck: 7; Live Bait; Orange Beach.
- 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).
- 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.
- T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly); weigh-in 9; meeting 9:30; Foley Sr. Center, 304 E. Rose Ave.; 251-979-1075.

#### SAT, FEB 12

- Jimmy Maraventano: 7:30; Sassy Bass Amazin Grill, Fort Morgan.
- Night Star, 6; American Legion Post #44, Gulf Shores.
- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
- Slide Bayou: 6; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Gypsy Pearl: 9; The Office; Foley.
- Wire Jam; Front Porch, Lillian.
- Rebecca Barry 6; Front Porch, Lillian.
- Bo Grant: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Tim Robinson: 4; Tacky Jacks; Gulf Shores.
- Mel Knapp: 1; Woodside Restaurant,

Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
• Destiny Brown: 5; The Perch, Gulf State

- Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
   Lee Yankie: 5; The Angry Crab, Orange
- Beach.

  Gary Story: 5; Carvers Steakhouse, Or-
- ange Beach.

   Sanbar Olympics: 2; Bubba's Seafood; Orange Beach.
- Hollard: 9; Sandshaker at the Wharf;
  Orange Beach
- Orange Beach.
   Wiley Pete: 7; Stephi Cocktails / Cui-
- sine; Orange Beach.
   Bruti: 6; American Legion Post 99,
- Foley.
   John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby
- Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
  • The Defrosters: 2; Flying Harpoon II;
- Orange Beach.
   Karaoke w. Howard: 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft
- Morgan.
   Brandon Giles: 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerar-
- ity Point.
   Karaoke: 9; The Undertow; Orange
- Beach.

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- mans Market: 9 a.m. 2 p.m.; 20733 Miflin Rd. (County Rd. 20), Foley.

   Baldwin County Genealogical Society:
- Baldwin County Genealogical Society:
  10 a.m.; public invited; Foley Library;
  319 East Laurel Ave.
  Optimist Club of Perdido Bay: break-
- fast 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 Inner-



#### Good seats available for "Thoroughly Modern Millie" Feb. 11-13 at beautiful O.B. Performing Arts Center

Plenty of great seats are still available for the City of Orange Beach Expect Excellence musical theatre production of (**pictured**) "Thoroughly Modern Millie" on Feb. 4-6 & Feb. 11-13. Put on your roaring '20s costume and join the fun at the spectacular Orange Beach Performing Arts Center, located on the Orange Beach High/Middle School campus. Showtimes will be at 7 p.m. for the Friday and Saturday performances and 2 p.m. for the Sunday matinee. Tickets are \$15 for all ages. Purchase tickets at onthestage.tickets.

The winner of six Tony Awards, including Best Musical, Thoroughly Modern Millie was the 2002 season's most awarded new show on Broadway. Based on the 1967 Academy Award-winning film, Thoroughly Modern Millie takes you back to the height of the Jazz Age in New York City, when "moderns," including a flapper named Millie Dillmount, were bobbing their hair, raising their hemlines, entering the workforce and rewriting the rules of love. This high-spirited musical romp is a delightful valentine to the long-standing spirit of New York City and the people who seek to discover themselves there.

Set in New York City in 1922, Thoroughly Modern Millie tells the story of young Millie Dillmount from Kansas, who comes to New York in search of a new life for herself. Her grand plan is to find a job as a secretary for a wealthy man and then marry him. However, her plan goes completely awry. The owner of her dingy hotel kidnaps young girls to sell to the Far East, her wealthy boss is slow in proposing marriage and the man she actually falls in love with doesn't have a dime to his name... or so he tells her.

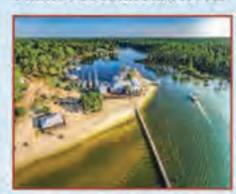
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#### HAT'S HAPPENING









#### 30th Orange Beach Seafood Fest Feb. 19 at The Wharf Festivities include car show, music, kids zone, 100 art booths

The 30th Annual Orange Beach Seafood Festival and Car Show will be held at the Wharf on Saturday, Feb. 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A major fundraising event for the Makos Academics Arts & Athletics Club and Orange Beach schools, the event will feature delicious food, 100 arts & crafts booths from throughout the South, and music for the whole family on two stages.

In addition, there will be a large Kids Movement Zone, sponsored by Movement Mortgage, with two bounce houses, and a huge car show - featuring antique, classic and hot rod vehicles all

along Main Street.

There is no admission and plenty of parking. Volunteers from Orange Beach schools will help park cars and donations will be accepted in support of our schools.

Food will include Crawfish Pistols, Crawfish Boil, Shrimp Tacos, Fish, Red Beans and Rice, Surf & Turf Burgers, Seafood Gumbo topped with fried okra, Crab Cake and Crab Bites. There will also be kettle corn and an old-fashioned soda stand.

The Arts & Crafts booths will include handmade jewelry, custom bows and headbands, metal yard and garden art, beach-art inspired signs, homemade candles, glass bird feeders, a selection fo bbq sauces, speciality cupcakes, nautical decor, 3D cut glass wall art, Henna body art and clothing, among many other art, crafts and specialty items.

The open car show features antique, classic and hot rod vehicles. Awards are presented to Top 10 cars.

Enter for a chance to win the "first" registered golf cart in Orange Beach, which will have Permit No. 1, by purchasing a raffle ticket for a new 2021 four-seat ICON i40L golf cart. The winning raffle ticket will be announced at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100 and are available for purchase online obmaaac.org or at the event. The golf cart was donated by Orange Beach golf cart retailer Cartiology with all proceeds benefitting Orange Beach schools. Pictured: Fun at the 2021 fest.

#### Mako Stage Music Line-Up

9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. - Al & Cathy 11:45 a.m. - 1:45 p.m. - Brown Barnes Band 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. - Funky Lampshades

#### Main Street Stage Music Line-UD

9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. - Strickly Rivers 11:45 a.m. - 1:45 p.m. - Al Alvarado 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m. - Les Linton

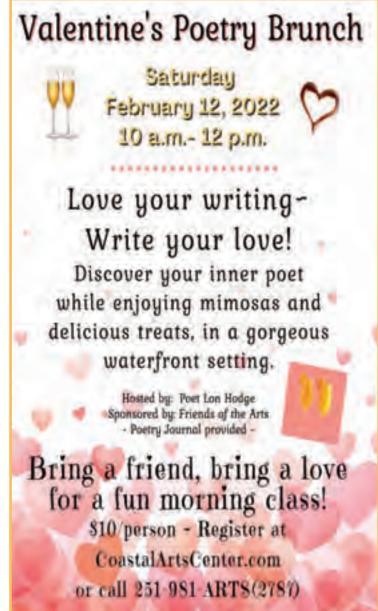
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- SUN, FEB 13
   Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible
  Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Per-
- Bends & Brews Yoga: 11 a.m.; in the courtyard; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf
- · Gary Story: 5; Carvers Steakhouse, Orange Beach.
- Christina Christian Duo: 3; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Mike Diamond: noon; Tin Top Restaurant; Bon Secour.
- Strictly Rivers: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- · Coconut Radio: 2; Sassy Bass Amazin'
- Guerra Radio. 2, Sassy Bass Final Confl. Grill; Fort Morgan.
   Mel Knapp: 1; Woodside Restaurant, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- · Les Linton: noon; Tacky Jacks; Gulf • 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.
- Square Dancing: 6:30; Fairhope Christian Church, Fairhope.

#### MON, FEB 14

- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
- Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo: 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.
- Art al Fresco: 10-11:30 a.m. (Valentine's Paint & Wine Glass); Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores; tackyjacks.com for reserva-
- · Johnny Owens: 5; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Fort Morgan.
- Bama Beach Pickleball Club: 9-noon: Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf

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- Shores; (new members welcome).
   Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 1-4p.m.; The Beach House, Gulf Shores.
- 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.

- Bingo: 6; American LegionPost 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.;Island Church in Orange Beach; 251-967-4840.
- Overeaters Anonymous: 6; Holy Spirit Episcopal Church; Gulf Shores, 616 Ft. Morgan Rd.; 251-709-5907.
- 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 Innerar-
- ity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- Square Dancing: 6:30; Fairhope Christian Church, Fairhope.

- TUE, FEB 15
   Andy Andrews Live: 12:15; Andy Andrews General Store & Museum; The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
- Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo: 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.
- Art al Fresco Create w. Clay Mardi Gras Earrings: 10-11:30 a.m.;



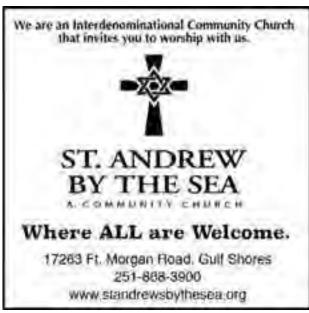


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SATURDAY Nochos 512

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### WHAT'S HAPPENING.

# Chamber & GSHS host Feb. 24 community job fair

Gulf Shores High School and the Coastal Business Chamber will host its annual community career and job fair on Feb. 24, at the GSHS Athletics Center. The fair is open to the general public from noon 'til 2 p.m., while students will visit the fair from 9-11:30 a.m. The event is always a fun way to showcase your business to area students and local job seekers and is free to participate for both businesses and attendees. The Coastal Business Chamber is planning another job fair opportunity in the Orange Beach area later this year. Over 45 businesses have already committed. For more info, email Jessica Sampley at jsampley@

### Foley, Orange Beach & Gulf Shores Arbor Day giveaways Feb. 26

Gulf Shores, Orange Beach, Robertsdale and Foley - official tree cities all - will celebrate Arbor Day with tree giveaways in February. Communities that earn Tree City USA recognition not only have taken the time to meet strict standards, they know that trees improve the visual appeal of a neighborhood, reduce erosion, increase property values, reduce home cooling costs, remove air pollutants and provide wildlife habitat, among many other benefits.

### **Gulf Shores**

Gulf Shores will give away trees to residents on Saturday, February 26 from 8:30 - 10 a.m. at the Gulf Shores Elementary School, as a drivethrough to provide a safe environment for all participants. Residents of each household that reside within the Gulf Shores corporate limits may select four different trees from six different varieties: Catalpa, Overcup Oak, Red Maple, Pecan, Hoptree – Ptelea trifoliate and Ashe Magnolia. Residents must show proof of residency. The trees are potted in one-gallon containers and are ready for planting. A brochure giving specifics on each tree is available to residents and the Gulf Shores Landscape Division will be onsite to answer questions about the trees. For more info, call 251-968-1166 or visit gulfshoresal.gov.

### Foley

Foley's 41st Annual Celebration of Arbor Day will be held at the Coastal Alabama Farmers and Fishermen's Market, located at 20733 Miflin Road, at 1 p.m. on Feb. 26. The Alabama Forestry Commission, Baldwin County Master Gardeners and Certified Arborists will be on hand to answer any questions. Boy Scout Troop 77 will assist with distribution. The top winning posters will be on display from the Arbor Day Poster Contest. The Foley High School Air Force Junior ROTC will do the Presentation of Colors. There will be an assortment of trees in three gallon containers available, one per family please.

Live Oak Trees will be dedicated and planted in memory of three special people who loved Foley and made our city a better place because of the time they spent here: Mayor Arthur Holk, Coach Ivan Jones and Danny Younce.

### Robertsdale

Robertsdale's celebration begins at 9 a.m. on Feb. 26 in The HoneyBee Park pavillion, and at least a dozen varieties of trees will be available for free, and patrons can register for a door prize tree to be announced later. Patrons are not required to be Robertsdale residents, and after going through the line to pick up one tree, participants are welcome to get back in line to pick up additional trees until all trees have been distributed. For more info, call 251-947-8950.

### **Orange Beach**

The City of Orange Beach will observe Arbor Day with tree giveaways on Saturday, February 26 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Trees will be given away in front of the Orange Beach Community Development building at 4101 Orange Beach Blvd. The potted trees that will be given away will consist of a variety of hardwoods for citizens to plant in their yards. There will be a limited quantity per resident, which is defined as those who live within the city limits of Orange Beach. For the city's part, it continues to meet the standards to be a Tree City USA community: it has a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation. Volunteers are needed. For more info, contact Woody Speed at 251-981-1062 or wspeed@orangebeachal.gov.

Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores; tackyjacks.com for reservations

- Rhonda Hart/ Elaine Petty 6; Front Porch, Lillian.
- Josh Newcom: 2; Bubba's Seafood; Or-
- · Johnny Owens: 2; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Fort Moran.
- Bama Beach Pickleball Club: 9-noon: Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores: (new members welcome)
- · Bingo/Karaoke: 6; Tacky Jacks; Gulf
- · 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 Sen-
- ior 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
- · Texas Hold 'em: 7; The Office, Foley.

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



# Little hands will bake big surprises for Orange Beach Garden Club's Feb. 16 Game Day

### By Julie DeBardelaben

Don't let their age fool you. Sixteen 10- 11- and 12-year old students - all Expect Excellence culinary bakers - will showcase their baking skills with an assortment of taste-tempting cookies during the Garden Club's 34th annual Game Day and Salad Luncheon on Feb. 16 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Orange Beach Event Center at the Wharf. Tickets are \$25 and are available at the Emporium in Orange Beach, near Rouses.

The City of Orange Beach's young bakers in training will complement the event's endless homemade desserts with their colorful, mouth-watering assortment of crispy, chewy, round, flat, sweet cakes, better known as cookies!

The sweet treats will be equally rivaled by the Garden Club's homemade salads, 50 in all. Despite the exotic, creative and gourmet ambience of some of the salads, the event's mainstay remains the same year after year - chicken salad.

The bakers' culinary arts program is one of 33 after-school City of Orange Beach Expect Excellence programs available free of charge to Orange Beach students. In addition to the performing, culinary and visual arts, students can also participate in academic classes (homework and tutoring), enrichment classes such as French, Spanish, Portuguese, and Robotics, and athletics that includes various sports and speed, strength and agility training. The only prerequisite for all programs, which is perhaps Expect Excellence's secret to success – is a required course in etiquette.

"Expect Excellence has five core values - integrity, work ethic, respect, discipline and character," said Jessica Langston, the City's creative director and Expect Excellence's arts and enrichment coordinator. "But the program's ultimate goal is to create caring human beings, people who know how to treat other people.

The culinary students are definitely learning that lesson. Some of them chimed in with their feelings about baking cookies for the Game Day participants.

"Well, baking for other people is an act of kindness," student EllaMac Herringtonh explained. "It can be used to congratulate, show appreciation, or just eat. I love making food for other people...though I eat a lot (too). It makes me feel good inside, especially if the person I make it for likes it."

"It makes me feel great and happy...the feeling that you get when someone other than family or friends makes you light up inside," fellow student Ella Pearson added. "I love to see the smile on others' faces when they take a bite. I always have a smile on my face when making food for others."

Another student said that she understands how it makes her feel when others show they care by cooking for her.

Gabriella Meehan said, "It makes me happy; I love to see the happy faces of people when they eat other people's food. I always have a smile on my face when my grandma makes me soup or my neighbor makes me noodles.

"It's fun to bake and share your creation with other people. It just makes me happy to bake," said Marlee Hagan.

The class agreed that their favorite cookies are macarons and they hope all the attendees at the Garden Club's Game Day event will enjoy their cookies, and time fellowshipping together. Come early, come hungry and come to have fun. And don't forget to bring your sweet tooth!

For Expect Excellence info, visit orangebeachal.gov.

Can't wait until Feb. 16? The Expect Excellence Culinary Program offers you a quick cookie fix with the following recipe. Enjoy!

### Gingerbread Biscotti Recipe

Prep: 25 mins. Cook: 40 mins. Serving 4 dozen

1/3 cup vegetable oil

1 cup brown sugar

3 eggs

1/4 cup molasses or cane syrup

1 tsp vanilla 3 1/4 cup All-Purpose flour

1 TBSP baking powder

1 1/2 TBSP ginger

1 TBSP cinnamon

½ tsp cloves

1/4 tsp nutmeg

¼ tsp black pepper

¼ tsp baking soda

1 tsp salt

½ cup chopped crystallized ginger

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Grease a cookie sheet. In a large bowl, mix oil, sugar, eggs, molasses, and vanilla.

In a medium bowl, mix together dry ingredients. Mix dry ingredients into wet ingredients to form a stiff

dough. Stir in crystallized ginger.

Divide dough into 2 equal pieces and shape each dough ball into a log the length of the cookie sheet.

Bake for 25 minutes.

Remove from oven and let cool for 10 minutes. Then place on a cutting board and slice the log into ½ inch diagonal slices. Place back on cookie sheet and bake on each side for an additional 5-7 minutes.

### **Royal Icing:**

3 1/4 cups confectioner sugar

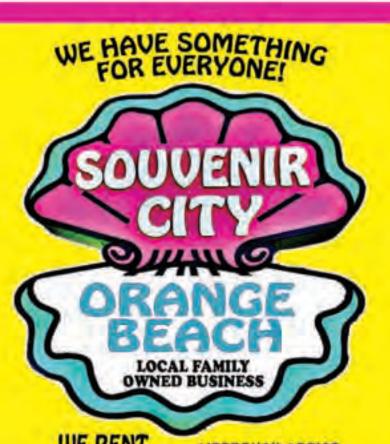
3 large egg whites

½ tsp cream of tartar

In the bowl of an electric mixer, combine the sugar, egg whites, cream of tartar and salt. Whisk until stiff and

To tint the frosting, divide into small bowls and add food coloring. Cover the ones you aren't using with plastic wrap; the frosting dries out very quickly.

Either dip the tips of the biscotti in the icing, or fill piping bags with icing and decorate.



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# WHAT'S HAPPENING

# PIER & SHORE FISHING OUTLOOK

By David "The Pierpounder" Thornton

Well, it appears our bipolar weather pattern will persist at least through most of the upcoming fortnight. This despite predictions from "Gus", the Gulf Shores Ghost Shrimp (our weather prognosticating arthropod) who did not see his shadow on February 2nd. In fact at the



time we were subject to a rather strong onshore wind flow for several days that pushed wave heights well over 10 feet. Not only did that shut down any semblance of surf fishing, but the prolonged period of huge waves and rip currents likely reshaped the sandbars

of the surf zone. There was not much of a bite to be interrupted prior to the storm anyway, but now might be a good time to reconnoiter your favorite surf fishing spots.

Since the water temperature seems to have bottomed out in the upper 50s, we might even see a slight rise into the low 60s along the beaches as the weather stabilizes into a mid-winter pattern for a couple of weeks. Let's hope that brings an influx of fish to the Gulf State Park Pier and Gulf beaches which have been largely uninhabited by fish through much of January

while water temperatures declined.

Recent catch reports in our area have consisted mostly of isolated large black and red drum, and some sheepshead from Perdido Pass and back bay locations. The beaches were mostly devoid of fish, with practically no pompano, and only a few scattered whiting. Meanwhile, the spaghetti bryozoan was making its widespread presence infamously known to anglers. Perhaps this most recent significant storm will clear out the bryozoan from the surfzone, and 'stir the pot' enough to bring some fish back? We will have to see, but at least the tide flow looks good through most of this period. Even the next NEAP tide is limited to just one day (February 20th). A winter tidal pattern will continue as most days experience lowest water during the late morning hours, with increasing water levels into an evening hour high tide. This may bode well for late afternoon surf and pier fishing as warmer and slightly deeper water pushes closer to shore then. This favorable fishing pattern could even last past sundown on the days around the full moon of February 16th. Plus each daylight period is about 12 hours now.

With pompano pretty much unavailable until the water temperature rises back into the middle 60s, we can expect "whiting" (Gulf kingfish) to take most of the angling pressure from the beaches and pier. Ghost shrimp are by far the best bait for them, though live or even fresh

dead shrimp may work at times too. But the scent of a 'juicy' ghost shrimp seems to really help get lethargic fish to bite in cooler waters. Even the occasional large black drum, redfish or sheepshead won't often pass up ghost

Products like Magic Thread and Miracle Thread are a 'must have' addition to the tackle bag for anglers using ghost shrimp, to help keep them on the hook when casting. Otherwise the soft bait is easily torn from the hook during the casting process. Simply tie an 8 or 9 inch piece of the elastic thread through the eye of your hook with a couple of half-hitches. Then thread the hook up through the ghost shrimp and wrap each end of the thread around it several times to secure it in place. The thin elastic thread does not deter the fish from biting, and it is quickly biodegradable if lost.

Though sheepshead have been mostly MIA at the Gulf State Park Pier, they make up a fair percentage of the angling effort anyway. This is the time of year they usually begin to move into the Gulf to form pre-spawn aggregations. Their affinity to amass near hard structures in the Gulf during the late winter is renown, as is their finicky nature of not biting a hook. But the rewards of some tasty white meat fillets is more than enough incentive for anglers to put in many hours in pursuit of them. The seawall and jetties at Perdido Pass will likely be the epicenter of this effort, but many still linger in the back bays around piling and seawalls with deeper water nearby.

Live shrimp held in place on a Carolina rig (Fishfinder) is the most common terminal setup to target sheepshead, or other inshore species. But it is not always the best depending on conditions encountered. A single dropper rig is very effective for vertical fishing from a seawall, dock or pier because the bait above the weight offers more sensitivity for the light bite of a sheepshead. A bell-shaped sinker (bass casting) is well suited for these rigs especially fishing over submerged rip-rap like at Perdido Pass seawall. The rounded sinker is much less likely to snag on the rocks or barnacles than the straight edges of a pyramid sinker. They come in a wider variety of weight sizes too

and wiggling the rod tip. In a slow current a free line presentation is often more effective, and certainly covers more water faster. Splitshot weights (one or two) affixed on the line about a foot or so above the hook are very effective for drifting live shrimp or fiddler crabs into the strike zone.

(quarter and eighth ounce), which gives the an-

gler better control over the presentation. If the

weight does get snagged on a rock, it can often

be freed just by alternately dropping slack line

Though an increasing number of sheepshead anglers like the Bottom Sweeper ("Knocker") and Free-Swinging style jigs. These are designed to move flat along the bottom while keeping the hook point facing up baited with a fiddler crab, or shrimp. It is a great presentation method for sheepshead staging on a sandy bottom, and offers great sensitivity of the light bite of a sheepshead.

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

### WED, FEB 16

- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Per-
- Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo: 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama;
- · Bama Beach Pickleball Club: 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores: (new members welcome).
- Bingo w. Tim Roberts: 6; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- Karaoke: 7; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill; Fort Moran.
- Danny Grady: 3:30; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores. • August Savage. 6; Front Porch, Lillian.
- John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby
- Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach. • Open Mic: 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- Mason Henderson's Saucy Fuzz: 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach. Gary Story & Friends: 7; Sandshaker
- at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- Lee Yankie: 5: Rotolos, Orange Beach. • Karaoke: 7; Bar 45 at ONE CLUB, Gulf
- John Joiner & Darrel Roberts: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.

- Karaoke & League Pool: 7:30; The Office, Foley
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Artie Hopkins: 5; American Legion Post 99. Foley.
- Bingo: 10 a.m.; American Legion Post
- 99; Foley.
   BBRC Running Club: 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; lafleet-
- Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center.
- 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.
- Food Bank: 9 11 a.m every Wednesday, Perdido Bay Baptist Church, 12600 Sorrento Rd. Pensacola; call for eligiblity requirements at (850) 492-2604.
- Bread Ministry: 11 a.m. 1 p.m.; Orange Beach United Methodist Church Brook's Center.
- AA: Noon: Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- Al-Non: 12:30; Live Oak AFG, St John's Episcopal Church, 401 Live Oak Ave.,

### Riley Green adds amazing special guests to March 11-12 O.B. shows

Alabama's country music star Riley Green will bring amazing special guests with him to Orange Beach when he plays March 11-12 at The Wharf Amphitheater. One of the world's elite guitar players, Travis Tritt and Frank Foster will open on the first night, while John Michael Montgomery and Colt Ford will play the second night w. Green, the Jacksonville native and the 2019 Academy of Country Music new male artist of the year. Ticket prices range from \$39.50 to \$79.50 plus fees. Green's hits include "I Wish Grandpas Never Died" and "There Was This Girl." Jimmy Buffett is also scheduled to play a twice postponed show at the Wharf on June 2. Other shows slated at the Wharf include Khalid on March 19, Cody Johnson on March 26, Tim McGraw, Alexandra Kay & Russell Dickerson on May 14, Koe Wetzel on July 2, Morgan Wallen on July 3, and Keith Urban on August 6.



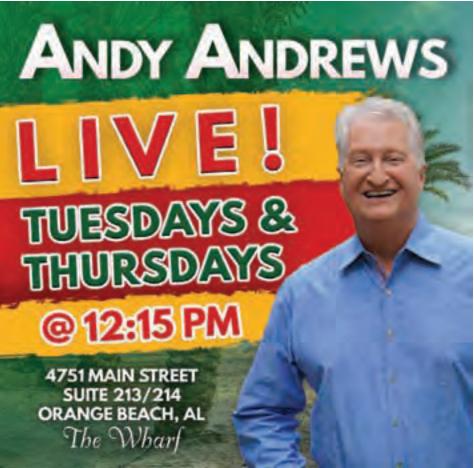




CLEAN WATER ALABAMA DONATIONS: Streamline Environmental, a stream, wetland and coastal restoration business in Magnolia Springs owned by Jacob Cunningham, David Smart and Mark Delaney, recently donated \$5,000 to the Fairhope group, Clean Water Alabama to help clean up Alabama waterways This is in addition to a \$5,000 personal contribution from Smart. "Clean Water Alabama's mission is the very thing I do for a living every day, so it was an organization I felt strongly about supporting," Smart said. The Daphne Rotary Club also donated \$5,000 to CWA's efforts earlier this month and have committed to future support. CWA sponsors also include Piggly Wiggly, Fairhope Soap Company, Baldwin Realtors and Fairhope Sunset Rotary Club. "As an all-volunteer non-profit organization, we rely on the financial support of donors to sustain our efforts to help us continue to advance our goal of cleaner Alabama waterways," said CWA President John Manelos. For more info, visit cleanwateralabama.com. Pictured: John Manelos; Daphne Rotary Club - Starke Irvine, John Manelos, Greg Gontarski, John Wood, Mickey Parish; David Smart.







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### WHAT'S HAPPENING

# COOKIN' WITH CAROLYN

## By Carolyn Godfrey

### **Hummingbird Pancakes**

1-1/2 cups flour

2 tsp. baking powder

3/4 tsp. salt

1/2 tsp. cinnamon

1-1/2 cups buttermilk

1 cup very ripe bananas, mashed

1/2 cup drained, canned crushed pineapple in juice

1/3 cup sugar

1 large egg, lightly beaten 3 Tbsp. canola oil

1/2 cup toasted pecans, chopped

Garnishes; sliced bananas, chopped fresh pineapple

Cream Cheese Anglaise

Stir together first 4 ingredients in a large bowl. Whisk together buttermilk and next 5 ingredients in another bowl. Gradually stir buttermilk mixture into flour mixture just until dry ingredients are moistened. Fold in toasted pecans. Pour about 1/4 cup batter for each pancake onto a hot buttered griddle or large nonstick skillet. Cook 3-4 min. or until tops are covered with bubbles and edges look dry and cooked. Turn and cook 3-4 min. or until done. Place in a single layer on a baking sheet and keep warm in a 200 degree oven up to 30 min. Serve with Cream Cheese Anglaise.

### Sauce:

1-1/2 cups half-and-half

1/2 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese, softened

1/3 cup sugar

3 egg yolks

1 Tbsp. cornstarch

1/8 tsp. salt 2 Tbsp. butter

1 tsp. vanilla extract

Process half-and-half, cream cheese, sugar, egg yolks, cornstarch, and salt in a blender until smooth. Bring mixture to a boil in a medium saucepan over medium heat, whisking constantly. Boil, whisking constantly, 1 min. Remove from heat, and whisk in butter and vanilla. Serve immediately.



DASH ROBOTS: Gulf Shores Elementary Virtual Academy 3rd grader, Mariah Cody, is ready to program this Dash robot. Guest instructor Timothy Johnson with Alabama Technology in Motion is teaching our 1st - 4th grade virtual students how to code.



GSES DIORAMAS: First grade students at Gulf Shores Elementary recently created Polar Animal research dioramas after studying about this geographical area. They did a great job presenting their projects to the entire school. **Pictured**: Ms. Austin's students Elle Luker and Keller Alford with their dioramas.



THU, FEB 17
• Andy Andrews Live: 12:15; Andy Andrews General Store & Museum; The Wharf, Orange Beach.

• Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
• Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo: 1-4

p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama;

- Bama Beach Pickleball Club: 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).
- Gary Story Open Mic 6; Front Porch,
- Scott Koehn: 5; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Brandon Giles & Skyline Kings: 2; Bubba's Seafood; Orange Beach. Greg Brown: 2; Sassy Bass Amazin'
- Grill; Fort Moran. • Scott Koehn: 5; Big Beach Brewery;
- Gulf Shores • William Gibson: 5; The Perch, Gulf
- State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores. John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange
- Karaoke: 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
  Karaoke w. Howard: 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft.

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cal Ministries Chili for

Charity will be held in

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clude all-vou-can-eat chili.

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- · Karaoke: 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- · Skyline Kings: 6; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- Kid Friendly Bingo: 6-8 p.m; drinks & snacks available to purchase; Bear Point Civic Assn; Orange Beach.
- Bar Trivia Night: 5; Bar 45 Lounge at ONE CLUB, Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke w. Kelly: 8; Sandshaker at
- The Wharf; Orange Beach. • Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Papa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Bridge: 11:30 a.m.; Orange Beach Senior Center, 251-981-3440.
- Texas Hold 'em: 7; The Office, Foley. • Baldwin Senior Softball Group: 10
- a.m.; 50 and over; 10.am.; 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, FEB 18

• Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible

Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
• Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo: 1-4

- p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.
- Chase Brown: 5; The Perch, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- Donna Ślater 4; Front Porch, Lillian.
- The Waymores 6; Front Porch, Lillian • Hippy Jim Sloan: 5; The Angry Crab,
- Orange Beach. · Mel Knapp: 5; Carvers Steakhouse, Or-
- ange Beach. · Gringo Fife: 6; Tacky Jacks; Fort Mor-
- gan.
   The Destinations: 6; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Mid-Life Crisis: 9; Sandshaker at the
- Wharf; Orange Beach.
   Smokey Otis: 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerar-
- Danny Grady: 3:30; Pappa Rocco's;
- Gulf Shores. • Delta Donnie: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf
- Open Mic: 7; American Legion Post
- 199, Fairhope. • Darrell Roberts: 7; Stephi Cocktails /
- Cuisine; Orange Beach.
- Bama Beach Pickleball Club: 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores: (new members welcome)

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# What's Happening



# 'Rivets & Bows' at G.S. United Methodist Feb. 11

Come be part of a happy, dancing, clapping music concert at Gulf Shores UMC auditorium on Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. when Rivets and Bows brings their special vocal and instrumental style to area music lovers. You'll hear great blues and rock music from well-known stars such as Linda Ronstadt, Amy Winehouse and others. Tickets are \$10pp and may be purchased on line at gulfshoresumc.org or at the door. Group members (above) include Frank Wittman- drums and percussion, Marsha Guyer- lead vocals, Tristan Bodiford-guitar, sax & keyboard, Cade Whttman bass & vocals, Nick Mustin - guitar. Wittman notes that the concert will be "a bowl full of rhythm covered with a sweet layer of blues, add a bit of rock and a sprinkle of jazz, and you have a sweet delight your ears and soul will love."

### Sandspur Band plays Feb. 20 at Bayside Baptist in Lillian

Bayside Baptist Church in Lillian will present The Sandspur Band in concert on Sunday, Feb. 20 at 6 p.m. The concert will be free with a Love Offering taken.



A ministry of Gulf Shores United Methodist Church, the band takes gospel music into the homes of shut-ins, as well as nursing homes and assisted living facitlies. They have also performed for numerous church and community events. Starting in 2002 with two musicians, the band has grown to its current membership of five. Members are Mel Middle-

brooks (guitar), Clarence Bauer (banjolele), Susie Hewitt (vocals), Larry Davis (harmonica) and Tommy Salter (Bass). Harmonizing vocally is something that all the band members enjoy while playing what they like to call Stained Glass Bluegrass music. The church is located at 33677 Hwy. 98, across from the Chevron Station in Lillian. For more info, call 821-371-2323.

- John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- · Karaoke w. Kelly Ann: 6; American Le-
- gion Post 99; Foley.

   Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and
- Bingo: 5:30; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659: Elberta.
- · Alcoholics Anonymous: noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center; 13660 Innerarity Pt. Rd.; 850-492-3056 or 492-6362.
- T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly); weigh-in 9; meeting 9:30; Foley Sr. Center, 304 E. Rose Ave.; 251-979-1075.

### SAT, FEB 19

- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
- Brittany Grimes: 5; Tacky Jacks; Gulf
- Stolen Faces (Dead tribute band): 6; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- · Benefit for Mary Lou 1; Front Porch, Lillian
- John Joiner/ Angie Savage 6; Front Porch, Lillian.
- False Identity: 9; The Office; Foley. · Benefit for Mary Lou 1; Front Porch,
- John Joiner/ Angie Savage 6; Front Porch, Lillian.
- Lefty Collins: 4; Tacky Jacks; Gulf Shores.
- Lee Yankie: 5; The Angry Crab, Orange Beach.
- Darrell Qualls: 5; Carvers Steakhouse, Orange Beach.
- · Wiley Pete: 7; Stephi Cocktails-Cuisine: Orange Beach.
- False Identity: 9; The Office, Folev.
- · Chase Brown: 1; Woodside Restaurant, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- Sanbar Olympics: 2; Bubba's Seafood; Orange Beach.
- Tim Robinson: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Destiny Brown: 5; The Perch, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- Mid-life Crisis: 9: Sandshaker at the Wharf; Orange Beach.
- John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange
- Platinum Premier: 7; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- Backwards Shine: 6; American Legion Post 99, Foley.
- The Defrosters: 2; Flying Harpoon II; Orange Beach.
- · Karaoke: 9; The Undertow; Orange · Karaoke w. Howard: 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft.
- · Coastal Alabama Farmers and Fisher-
- mans Market: 9 a.m. 2 p.m.; 20733 Mi-

- flin Rd. (County Rd. 20), Foley. • Texas Hold 'em: 7; The Office, Foley.
- Baldwin County Republican Executive Committee: 10 a.m.; Robertsdale City Hall Building; 251-379-0748 or don@mcgrifflaw. com
- Optimist Club of Perdido Bay: breakfast every Saturday at 7 a.m. at the Lillian Community Club in Lillian; (251)
- AA: 10 a.m.: Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- Ladies AA: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pen-

### SUN, FEB 20

- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
- · Bends & Brews Yoga: 11 a.m.; in the courtyard; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf
- Johnny Barbato 4; Front Porch, Lillian.
- Elaine Petty; 2; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill: Fort Moran
- Wes Loper: noon; Tin Top Restaurant; Bon Secour. Destiny Brown: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf
- Shores. • Justin Colvard: 1; Woodside Restau-
- rant, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- · Les Linton: noon; Tacky Jacks; 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.
- · League Pool: 7; The Office, Foley.
- AA: 5 p.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

### MON, FEB 21

- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key
- Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo: 1-4 p.m.; free; family friendly; Flora-Bama; Perdido Key.
- Art al Fresco: 10-11:30 a.m. (Mardi Gras Hat); Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores; tackyjacks.com for reservations.
- · Bama Beach Pickleball Club: 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores: (new members welcome).
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 1-4p.m.; The Beach House, Gulf Shores.
- 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.
- · Bingo: 6; American LegionPost 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.;Island 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 LegionPost 99, Gulf Shores.
- AA: Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- · Square Dancing: 6:30; Fairhope Christian Church, Fairhope.

### TUE, FEB 22

- · Andy Andrews Live: 12:15; Andy Andrews General Store & Museum; The Wharf, Orange Beach. • Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible
- Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
- · Art al Fresco Mardi Gras Bead Wreath: 10-11:30 a.m.; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach; tackyjacks.com for reservations.
- 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).
- · Skyline Kings: 2; Bubba's Seafood; Orange Beach. • Rhonda Hart/ Elaine Petty 5; Front
- Porch, Lillian. • Bingo/Karaoke: 6; Tacky Jacks; Gulf

Shores.

- Greg Brown: 2; Sassy Bass Amazin Grill; Fort Morgan.
- · Open Mic w/Chris Beverly: 6; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- JW Karaoke: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point. • Bingo: 5; 45 Restaurant & Bar; One
- Club, Gulf Shores. • Bridge: 11:30 a.m.; Orange Beach Sen-
- ior Center, 251-981-3440. • Bingo: 10-2; Gulf Coast Elks Lodge:
- Foley. • Pool Tourney: 7; Snapper's; Orange
- Beach. • Karaoke w. Kelly: 8; Sandshaker at
- The Wharf; Orange Beach. • Texas Hold 'em: 7; The Office, Foley.
- · Coastal Alabama Farmers and Fisher-
- mans Market: 9 a.m. 2 p.m.; 20733 Miflin Rd. (County Rd. 20), Foley.









CATCH OF THE DAY: Sherrill McMahon Ferazza posted this fishing story on Jan. 27 about a local angler: "This osprey landed in front of Phoenix West this morning about 3 feet from shore and was rewarded first time in. Best part is that after he caught his fish, he trolled the beach right under the lines of four fishermen! Guess he wanted to show them how it was done.'







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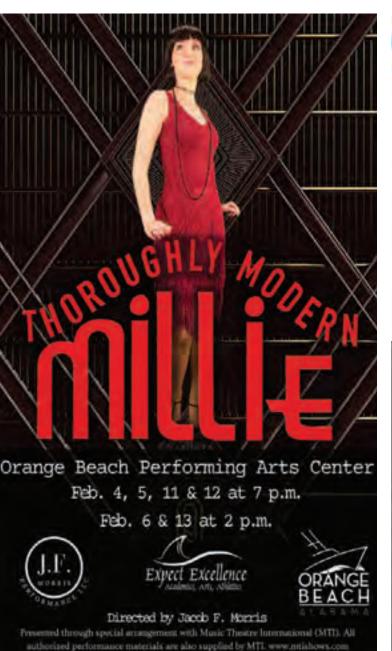


# Feb. 26 Office pool tourney benefits Adeline Schneider

The Office Lounge in Foley will host a Feb. 26 benefit 9-ball pool tournament to help raise money for the Schneider Family Medical Fund. Sign-ups start at 11 a.m. and a day of activities are planned. Adeline Schneider was born November 5, 2021 with many complications. At three days old, she was having surgery to attach her stomach and esophagus. From there she was airlifted to Birmingham and put on a feeding tube due to aspiration issues. She also has four heart defects, including Tetralogy of Fallot and Pulminary Stenosis. Adeline will undergo open heart surgery at 4-6 months of age at Children's Hospital of Alabama in Birmingham. She was also recently diagnosed with Vacteral Syndrome. The daughter of Andy Schneider and Samantha Smith needs help and The close knit Office staff and patrons want to do just that. The Office Lounge is located at 122 Co. Rd. 20 West. For more info, call

# City Rhythm Big Band dance slated Feb. 12 in Loxley

The City Rhythm Big Band will host a Valentines Dance on Feb. 12 at The Lox-ley Civic Center from 7-10 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person, with BYOB beverages and snacks. Water/cups and ice will be provided. The Loxley Civic Center is located at 4198 Municipal Park Dr.. Dances are also scheduled March 26, April 23 & May



- South Baldwin Republican Women: Gift Horse Rest., 11:30 a.m.; 4th Tuesday of Every Month, public invited, Info: 251-978-6178
- Orange Beach City Council Meeting: 5 p.m.; City Hall; 980-INFO.
- Overcomers Outreach: 7 p.m.; First Baptist Church of Orange Beach; 980-
- Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon: 7:30 a.m.; (1st, 3rd, and 4th Tue); Point Church, 13801 Innerarity Point Rd., Pensacola.
- Foley Kiwanis Club: noon; Vallarta's, 1145 S. McKenzie St., Foley; 859-771-
- AA: Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Worship Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

### WED, FEB 23

• Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Per-

- 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).
- · Bingo w. Tim Roberts: 6; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- Danny Grady: 3:30; Pappa Rocco's;
- Gulf Shores. · Karaoke: 7; Sassy Bass Amazin' Grill;
- Fort Morgan.
- Bingo: 6; Tacky Jacks; Orange Beach. • T- Bone Montgomery 6; Front Porch,
- · John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach
- Artie Hopkins: 5; American Legion
- Post 99, Foley.

   Open Mic: 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- Mason Henderson's Saucy Fuzz: 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.

- · Gary Story & Friends: 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- Jeff Ivanhoff: 5; Rotolos, Orange
- John Joiner & Darrel Roberts: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Gulf Shores Lions Club: noon: 2nd & 4th Wednesday; noon; Adult Activity Center, Gulf Shores; 251-968-2823.
- BBRC Running Club: 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke & League Pool: 7:30; The Of-
- Bingo: 10 a.m.; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis
- Food Bank: 9-11 a.m every Wednesday, Perdido Bay Baptist Church, 12600 Sorrento Rd. Pensacola.





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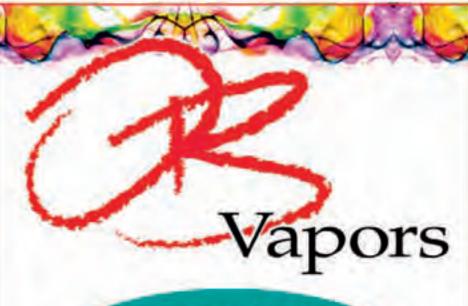
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# Funny Bones

By Ron "Bones" Jones



My wife told me I was incapable of multitasking. So I got drunk and embarrassed her at the same time.

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As one parishioner left the church, he said: "Pastor, today your sermon reminded me of the peace and love of God."

The pastor was thrilled: "Page 1985 and 1985 are thrilled."

The pastor was thrilled: "Really? Tell me why."

"Because it endured forever."

Dad: "Son, I named you after my father."

After My Father: "I know, Dad, I know."

My wife has been missing a week now.

The police said to prepare for the worst.

So, I had to go down to Goodwill to get all of her clothes back.

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I visited my new friend in his apartment.

He told me to make myself at home.

So I threw him out, I hate visitors.

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I bought an alarm clock yesterday but I took it back today and asked for a refund, I said to the assistant, "It's not working properly, I set the alarm for 7:30am but it went off at 4:30am."

"I'd like to give you a refund sir, but it's smashed into pieces. How do you explain the damage?" he asked.

I said, "I just told you, it's not working properly and it went off at 4:30am."

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Do you enjoy yelling "What?"

from the other room?

Then marriage might be for you.

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Billy: I asked my dog three questions and he got two of them right.

Trevor: What three questions? Billy: I asked what covers a tree and he said bark. I asked him what the texture of bark is and he said ruff. I then asked him if he knew what the winning lottery numbers are next Saturday night?

Trevor: He missed the lottery number question right?

Billy: I don't know, I'll tell you on Sunday.

### 57 1 T T

Yesterday, I was in the kitchen planning dinner, and noticed that the clock had stopped. That really put me behind for my day, so today I decided that I'd better stop at the store for a AA battery.

I found a clerk, and said "Please point me to where the batteries are, I need one in my kitchen."

The clerk asked, "Is it for a clock?"

I said, "I don't know, that's why I need a battery."

The young man comes running

into the store and says to his buddy, "Tommy, somebody just stole your pickup truck from the parking lot!"

Tommy reacts, "Did you see who it was?"

The young man answers, "No, I couldn't tell. But I did get his license plate number!"

Dick: Great News! Teacher said we would have a test rain or shine.

Jane: What's so great about that?

Dick: It's snowing.

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A genie granted me one wish, so I said, "I just want to be happy."

Now I'm living in a cottage with six dwarves and working in a mine.

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Before 2020 we were pretty wild. Remember how we all used to eat cake after someone had blown on it.

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If you ever get caught sleeping on the job, raise your head slowly and say, "In Jesus Name Amen."

Doc: "Relax David. It's just a small surgery. Don't panic." Me: "My name's not David." Doc: "I know. I'm David."

Me: "How often do planes crash?"

Airline Pilot: "Just once."

- Tip of the Day: Blow on the wine in your cup to convince everyone else in the Zoom meeting it is tea.
- Cooking Tip: If you stir coconut oil into your kale it makes it less likely to stick when you scrape it into the trash can.

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A pessimist sees a dark tunnel.

An optimist sees the light at the end of the tunnel.

A realist sees a frieght train. The train conducter sees three idiots standing on the tracks.

- Atheism must be a non-profit organization.
- What did the Buddhist say to the hot dog vendor? Make me one with everything.
- A Central European trampoline team have just gone bankrupt. They were bouncing Czechs.
- Someone told me that half of the car accidents happen within a mile of your home. So I moved.









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# **SNOWBIRD NEWS**

### Snowbird Food Drive Feb. 11-12

Folks on Spokes a bicycle riding group, Iowa Snowbird Club, and other area Snowbirds are holding a food drive Feb. 11-12 from 8 a.m.-noon to benefit the Food Pantry at the Christian Service Center. The event is at the Gulf State Park Campground and the \$2 park entrance fee will be waived when bringing a food donation to the Nature Center Pavilion. Items may be placed in the grocery carts located near the camp store or someone will take donations from your car. All nonperishable goods are welcome. Suggestions: Ramen noodles, crackers, cereal, canned soup, oatmeal and grits (individual packets), jelly, peanut butter, mac and cheese, clothes detergent (small packages) disposable diapers, baby wipes, toilet paper, paper towels. Last year's effort garnered about 2,000 pounds of food donations and \$455. The CSC provides food and emergency aid to families in need on Pleasure Island.

### Snowbird Coffee Tuesdays

By Roger Pashby
The local Snowbird Coffee will be meeting again!
Yes, the Snowbird Coffee held at the United Methodist Church of Gulf Shores will be holding four meetings this season at the United Methodist Church Annex, behind Zaxbys, on Gulf Shores Blvd. Meeting time will be 09:00 on Tuesday mornings. February 8, 15, 22, and 29th will be our meeting dates. This will be an informal series of meetings, comprised of singing, fellowship, information and entertainment. Coffee and donuts will be offered, with donations accepted. Bring your ideas and let's plan on what we can do in 2023. Any questions, call Roger Pashby @ 269-838-6073, or email at ROGER\_PASHBY@YAHOO.COM.

### Indiana

### By Becky Chatham-Heidenreich

This Snow Bird Season has been very trying. We have had to change some of our breakfast procedures, but think most people have enjoyed their time this year. The March 10 breakfast has been canceled. We will only have four meetings each year from now on. We have two more breakfasts scheduled for this year-Feb. 10 at Glen Lakes Golf Club House (Turn right from HW 59 to Rd 20. Stay on 20 for 21/2 mi. past the express highway and turn right into Glen Lakes.) If attending the Feb.10 meeting, reservations must be prepaid by Feb. 3. Doors will open at 8 and breakfast will be served at 8:30. You may mail \$10 (in cash) for each meal to Linda Tucker, 5098 Bay Dr.. Orange Beach, AL36561 (for faster service take the mail to the Orange Beach post office and request that it stay on the island). The Feb. 24 meeting will be held at Magnolia Event Center, Sign up at the Feb. 10 meeting or by mailing Linda the cash by Feb. 17. Doors will open at 7:30. Breakfast at 8:30. The restaurants will be preparing food for only the num-ber of attendees registered. Any questions,please call Linda (251)747-5767. If you have not paid your dues for 2022 you will not be receiving a roster. If you have questions please call (260)760-5130.

### Iowa

By Amos Glanz

The Iowa Snowbird Club invites its members and their guests to attend its next breakfast meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 8:30am at the Perdido Beach Resort, 27200 East Perdido Beach Blvd, Orange Beach. Our featured speaker at this meeting will be a representative from the Baldwin County Heritage Museum on the topic "History of Baldwin County". The

breakfast cost will be \$15. Reservations are required at all breakfast meetings and can be made on the website, Iowa-Alabamagulfcoastsnowbirds.org (preferred), or, by texting/calling Chris or Steve Hedlund at 319-430-4597. Members are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to each club event to be donated to the Christian Service Center food pantry. The Club's last Cocktail Party will be held on Fri., Feb. 25 at the Caribe, 28103 Perdido Beach Blvd., Bldg D, Orange Beach, 5-7pm. NO RSVP required. Bring a dish to share and your own beverages. Many door prizes will be distributed. Our last breakfast will be informal and will be held on Wed., Mar. 9 at OSO Early, 27370 Canal Road, Orange Beach. As always, use the reservation procedures. Club members are encouraged to check the club's website regularly for updates. There are no dues to join our club.

### Snowbird Trivia Night Feb. 12

By Larry Ramirez

Saturday, Feb. 12 is the date for one of the most exciting winter events on the Gulf Coast; Snowbird Trivia Night. Doors open at 5 p.m. Play beins at 6 p.m. You can bring food, drink, table décor and \$5 per person cash to play heads and tails during the break. Award certificates will be given for the top three Best Table Theme. The medallions were designed and manufactured in the library's maker space. Bring food, drink, table décor and \$5 per person to play heads and tails during the break. The Friends of the Orange Beach Library are going to great lengths to make this event as safe as possible for participants and workers. The \$160 table cost includes 40 door-prize tickets. Mulligans must be purchased at time of registration. More info:

### Missouri

By Mark Rethemeyer

We know that this year has been a challenge for many of the snowbird clubs, and some are not having any activities at all. Nothing worse than making the trip to Gulf Shores and no one to connect with. Well, we can solve that problem! The activities of the Missouri Snowbird Club of Alabama are open regardless of where you are from. If you are looking to get involved and make some new friends while you are snowbirding then take this as your personal invitation, and we hope to see you soon! Join us for breakfast every Wednesday at the Perdido Beach Resort in Orange Beach. Arrive around 8:30 and we have a great buffet breakfast at 9:00 for \$10 per person (plus tax and tip). At breakfast you'll have an opportunity to sign up for golf and all our other activities. We play golf every Wednesday afternoon at 1 (weather permitting of course) and we would love to have you join us. You can sign up at breakfast. Join us for Happy Hour on Mondays at 4:00 at Cobalt's, the Restaurant just over the Perdido Bay Bridge ("next to" the Caribe Resort). We'll be in the Banquet Room. Enjoy Happy Hour food and drink specials, and a great opportunity to meet other friendly people. Info: mer2@charter.net or mosnowbirds.org or facebook.

### 2023 Snowbird Play Auditions

By Becky Chatham-Heidenreich

Auditions for the 2023 production of "Knock 'Em Dead" are being held at the South Baldwin Community Theatre, 2022 W. 2nd St. Gulf Shores on Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2022 at 6 pm. There are 5 male roles and 3 female roles. You do not have to be a professional or have experience in theater, but you will have a great deal of fun working and learning with other actors and all the backstage people. To acquire a copy of the script, contact Robert Lane at robert@northwesttravel.net or by calling (765)242-7423. This unique comedy/murder mystery has six different endings. All hell breaks loose and the laughs fly when 5 outrageous contestants show up at Vinnie's Belly Laugh Club for the final talent competition. A ventriloquist with moving lips, a foul mouthed stand up comedian, a baton twirling bimbo, the flamboyant owner of a lip synching poodle, a chanteuse with a questionable accent, and a a hypnotist with a twitch, all fight to win the grand prize. When Vinnie turns up dead, they are all suspects and the audience has the time of its life grilling them and fingering the murderer.



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# **S**NOW**B**IRD **NEWS**

### llinois

### By Dave DeBlauw

The Illinois Snowbird Club met for breakfast on Jan 28 at the Glen Lakes Clubhouse that was enjoyed by 54 members. Trivia night is Feb 12 at the Orange Beach Event Center at 5 p.m. The next breakfast will be held on Feb 11 at the Glen Lakes Clubhouse at 8:30. Call Bobbie Butler at 251-980-5652 if you plan to attend. A breakfast will be held at the same time and location on Feb 22.

### Sweet Harmony Chorus

By Pamula Rustan Woman Singers Come Join Us! Sweet Harmony Chorus is a group of women snowbirds and local residents who like to sing woman's acapella music in the barbershop-close harmony style. Join us on Monday 3 at 2 pm. Time: 2 - 4pm every Monday thru Mar. 14 at Choir Room at Gulf Shores United Methodist Church, 1900 Gulf Shores Parkway. All ranges of talent are welcome. We have training tapes for rapid learning. Any woman who would enjoy singing is welcome to join us. We require singers to be fully vaccinated, and we require masks and social distancing. For info, call Pamula Rustan, director at 701-260-0670 or email viewpt01@ gmail.com. Also visit sweetharmonychorus.org.

### New York

### By Frank Panczyszyn

The New York Snowbirds will gather again at Ginny Lane on Feb. 10 and 24, and March 10, gathering and registering at 11 a.m., followed by lunch. Reservations are required by email to nysnow-birds@gmail.com.

### Cribbage Fridays at Post 44

### By Barbara Beamish

Beginning Friday, Jan. 14, Cribbage players will be gathering to play Cribbage every Friday. Sign up starts at 12:30 p.m. and play begins at 1 p.m. at the Gulf Shores American Legion, Post 44, 6781 AL-59. Cost is \$5. For additional information contact Barbara Beamish at 989-464-8605. All Cribbage players

### **Snowbird Euchre**

Snowbird Euchre: Wednesday play starts at 6 p.m. Gulf Shores American Legion Post 44. Thursday play starts at 1 p.m. Gulf Shores American Legion

### Mt. Dulcimer Players

Mt Dulcimer Players meet until the beginning of March, Mon 10-11:30 a.m., Wed 2-3:30 p.m., St Andrew by the Sea, 17263 Fort Morgan Road, Gulf Shores. Questions? Michelle 317-446-0500.

### G.S. Men's Snowbird Coffee Club

The Gulf Shores Men's Snowbird Coffee Club will have their first meeting of the 2022 season on Monday, Jan. 3 at 8 a.m. All meetings are at Ginny Lane Bar and Grill at the Wharf in Orange Beach every Monday morning from 7:30 -8:30 a.m. Besides raising money for local charities, the club has golf outings, sponsors casino trips and conducts breakfast meetings for members and spouses. The club also throws horseshoes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at noon at Meyer Park in Gulf Shores.

### Dakotas Snowbird Club

### By Joyce Anderson

Dakotas Snowbird Club is scheduled to meet Feb. 22, and March 8, at  $8:30\ a.m.$  for breakfast with a 9a.m. program at Luna's Magnolia Hall in Orange Beach. The club may also plan several social activities to be determined at a later date. For more information please contact Joyce Anderson at 605-351-0274 and leave a message for a return call.

### Snowbird Blood Drive Feb. 14

### By David Angle

A snowbird blood drive, sponsored by the Michigan Snowbird Club, will be Monday, Feb. 14 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Gulf Shores Adult Activity Center, located at 260 Clubhouse Drive. Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting redcross.org / rapid pass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment. For more info, contact David Angle at 248-797-9852.

### Gulf Shores Senior Softball

### By John McCabe

For the past 20 years local seniors have welcomed snowbirds to join us on our manicured diamonds in Gulf Shores and Orange Beach. Most snowbird softball players participate in leagues in their hometowns and look forward to continue play here. We have 22 local players, but we welcome and encourage others to join us. Our players are all over 50 years old. We welcome females as well. We generally meet Mondays and Fridays in the morning at either the Gulf Shores Sportsplex or Orange Beach Sportsplex. The location depends upon field availability. Info: 251-981-9787.

### **Wisconsin Synod Lutherans**

### By Jeff Quint

Gulf Shores area WELS/ELS members will have local church services with Holy Communion on Feb. 13 and 27 at St Jude by the Sea Lutheran Church, 312 E. 16th Ave., Gulf Shores. Services will start at 4 p.m. with Bible class to follow. For more info contact: Jim Diehm, 231-598-0383 or jkdiehm@gmail.com.

### Minnesota

### By Nancy Poferl

The Minnesota Snowbird Club is hosting a weekly breakfast at GT's On The Bay located on 26189 Canal Road, Orange Beach Jan. 11-March 8 at 8 a.m. Registration is required one week prior to the event. Click on the Breakfast Sign-up tab on our homepage at mnal.org. There is a minimum and maximum requirement. Best value breakfast in town. New and returning snowbirds from Minnesota can keep abreast of 2022 activities at mnal.org or facebook.com search @mnalclub.

### Snowbird Church Service

Snow Bird Church service to be every Sunday (January-March) at 9 a.m. at the Island Retreat RV park clubhouse on Ft. Morgan Road. Kent Gerber, chaplain 336-529-2372 for more information.

### Snowbird Play

Although it is usually one of the winter's hottest tickets, as of the Mullet Wrapper deadline tickets were still available for the South Baldwin Community Theatre's snowbird production, A Bad Year for Tomatoes, scheduled Feb. 9-13 and 16-20. Tickets are available at ci.ovationtix.com or SBCT.biz. In A Bad Year for Tomatoes, the famous Myra Marlowe, fed up with the pressures and demands of her

acting career, leases a house in the tiny New England hamlet of Beaver Haven and settles down to write her autobiography. Other upcoming SBCT productions include The Fourth Annual Radio Theatre Festival on Feb. 25-27; Local playright Laura S.

Pfizenmayer's Cancer is a Pain in My Ass on March 5-6 and The Enchanted Bookshop, a Young Artist production scheduled April 1-3 and 8-10.

### Wisconsin Golf Fun Day Feb. 21

### By Nancy Durgin

The Wisconsin Sno-bird Club has planned a Golf Fun Day for Monday, February 21, at GlenLakes Golf Club. All snowbird club golfers are invited to participate. You will enjoy lunch, a raffle and play 9 holes of golf. Lunch begins at 11 am for \$15 and golfing starts at 1 pm for \$16+tax to walk and \$26+tax for a golf cart. Register by e-mail with Mike Gordee at mwgordee@gmail.com.

### Welcome Wednesdays at Flora-Bama

Welcome Wednesdays potluck lunches are back at the Flora-Bama thru February. The weekly lunch party features live music, followed by drawings for goods, services and merchandise compliments of the Flora-Bama and local businesses. Music begins at 11 a.m. The noon buffet is \$3 per person or free for those bringing a covered dish or dessert The 'Bama is located at the Florida-Alabama state line.

### Michigan Snowbird Golf

### By Dave Ferguson

The Michigan Club will not be meeting. Wednesday until March 9th. Our golf schedule can be found at michiganclubalabama.com. This year we are again welcoming all snowbirds from all the snowbird clubs to join our golf outings. To sign up, go to our website, click on the golf icon and our schedule will appear. Pick the course that you want to play and call the coordinator for that course and give them your name and phone number and you will be signed up. Our next four of golf outings and contacts are as follows: 02/14/22 at Quail Creek, Dave Eppley 810-334-5947; 2/16/22 at Kiva Dunes, Dave Holzworth 231-463-7181; 2/21/22 at Craft Farms (Cotton Creek Course), Bob Imhoff 616-897-5290; and 2/23/22 at Solders Creek, Dave Holzworth 231-463-7181. We

will also have Ladies golf every Tuesday, weather permitting, at Gulf Links Golf Center on 59. We will meet at 9:30 AM, with Tee times at 10. Info: Sue Beach at spbeach260@ charter.net or 231-429-0952.

### Grand Point Condo Craft Show

The Ladies of Grand Pointe Condominium invite you to come to their craft show on Feb. 24 from 9-2. Grand Pointe is located at 27284 Gulf Road - Orange Beach (across from San Roc Cay). Items for sale will be Handcrafted jewelry, beaded silverware, magnets, original greeting cards, quilled decorated cards and painted birdhouses. Call Judie McCoy at (765)860-8520 for directions or questions.

### Iowa author at Book Exchange Feb. 19

The Foley Book Exchange will host a Feb. 19 meet-the-author event for a snowbird's book about her mother from 12 to 3 p.m. Call author Mary McSwain Steele at 712-260-5614 or email marysteele444@ gmail.com for more info. All proceeds from the book will be donated to cancer cure related non-profits. It has 5-stars based on 74 ratings including excellent reviews from Midwest Book Review and The DesMoines

Steele's letters to her mom penned over the last several years along with hospice notes; letters and photos from her mother's trips; and memories of growing up in the 1950s and '60s in rural Wisconsin evolved into a book, Betty: A Memoir published last fall through Amazon. All profits from sales of the book are being used to fund nursing scholarships. Her mother was a complicated but remarkable woman, Steele says. She raised three children by herself and when they went off to college, she followed her dream of traveling the world. She took a nursing position in Saudi Arabia and every year she had a month off to travel.

The Northwest Iowa woman who spends winters in Gulf Shores had always enjoyed writing. She was a newspaper reporter for several years but changed careers to spend more time with her family. It wasn't until her mother, Betty McSwain, was given a terminal diagnosis in 2009 that she started writing again.



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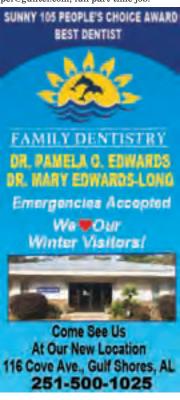
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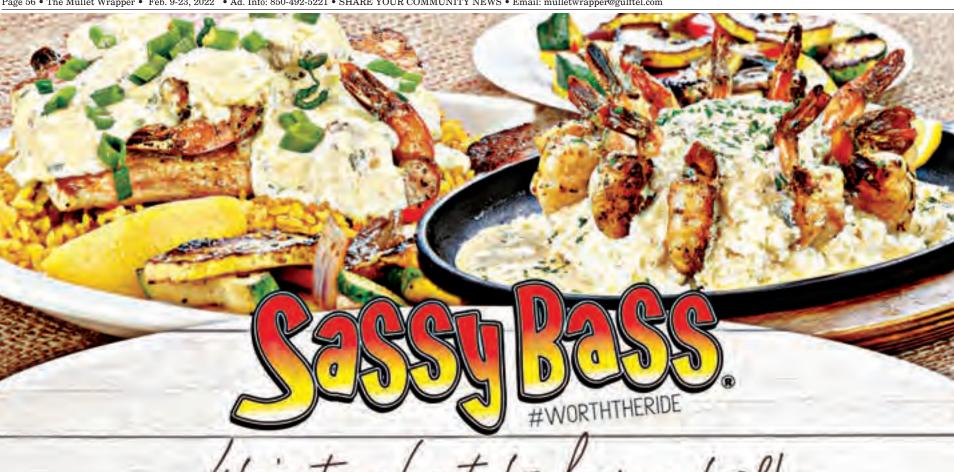
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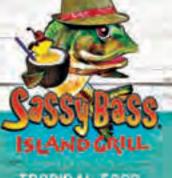


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