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AROUND TOWN

Coast Guard Auxiliary Safe Boating Classes Nov. 5 in O.B.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will conduct a safe boating class on Nov. 5 in Orange Beach. This class meets the educational requirement needed to obtain a boating license in most states. Course includes boat handling, trailer and ramp safety, boating rules of the road, aids to navigation, safety equipment, preparing for emergencies, boating laws, line handling, and fun with knots. Families are encouraged to attend. Register at malinno@yahoo.com or leave a message at 251-284-1461. Course information listed under Take a Boating Safety Class at cgaux.org.

Robertsdale's Nov. 5 Honeybee Fest includes 5K, music

The Honeybee Festival returns to downtown Robertsdale on Nov. 5 from 8 a.m. 'til 4 p.m. A fundraiser for the Central Baldwin Education Foundation, the fest includes an 8 a.m. 5K/Fun Run, a chili cook-off, arts & crafts vendors, live music, food trucks, a children's village, pony rides, bounce houses and games. It will be held at Honeybee Park at 22780 Hwy. 59.

Little Miss Honeybee, Little Miss Charity, Young Miss Honeybee, Young Miss Charity, Miss Photogenic, Miss Congeniality & Most Creative & Queen of Honeybee Queens will be presented.

Food Trucks & Craft Beer Nov. 12-13 at G.S. Town Green

Food Truck Festivals of America will host the 1st Annual Coastal Alabama Food Truck and Craft Beer Festival Nov. 12-13 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Town Green at Gulf Shores Public Beach. Twenty food trucks will be serving up favorites of the most popular eats, while over thirty national, regional, and local craft beers, ciders, wine, and spirits will be served to wash it all down.

If food and beer aren't enough; lawn games, music and an artisan market made up of local businesses and crafters will be there for attendees of all ages to enjoy. The festival is family-friendly and all guidelines will be taken as instructed by the city and health department to ensure the safety of festival attendees.

The tentative food truck and craft beer list is available to view at foodtruckfestivalsofamerica.com. Discount beer and food packages are also available on the site.

The Town Green area at Gulf Shores Public Beach is located at 101 East Beach Blvd. Food Truck Festivals of America was founded in 2012. FTFA has created over 80 festivals throughout the U.S. combining dozens of food trucks & craft breweries together in one place for a day of eating, drinking, and fun.

First responders to be honored at Nov. 7 O.B.C.C. Pot Luck

First Responder Appreciation is on the agenda at the next Orange Beach Community Potluck Dinner on Monday, Nov. 7 at the Community Center, 27235 Canal Road. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. and the program at 7 p.m. The entrée will be provided by the Orange Beach Community Association. November's entrée is fried chicken. Anyone attending may bring a side dish, dessert or pay \$5, if unable to prepare a food item. The association dues is \$25 for a family and \$13 for single member.

A police officer and a firefighter will be honored at the annual appreciation night. Last year at the annual awards night and potluck, Fire Medic Jarrod Smith was named the 2021 Firefighter of the Year. The 2021 Officer of the Year award was presented to the family of Brandon Ard, who passed away in August 2021 due to complications associated with COVID-19. Chief Dispatcher Julie Bonifay was named the police department's 2021 Civilian Employee of the Year. The award winners are chosen by their co-workers.

Magnolia 5K Run/Walk Nov. 5 in Magnolia Springs

The Magnolia Run 5k/1 Mile Fun Run will take place on Saturday, November 5 at 14770 Oak St. This run is a certified 5K course and timing will be provided by Columbia Southern University using RFID chips.

Post-race, participants can enjoy entertainment provided by Gulf Coast Sounds DJ Patrick and signature red beans and rice, courtesy of Jesse's Restaurant.

Fresh fruit, snacks, water and beer will also be available. Visit bit.ly/magnoliarun to register.

The course will take participants through some of Baldwin County's most majestic scenery. From the large oaks that canopy the course to the historic homes that line the streets, you are sure to enjoy all that downtown Magnolia Springs has to offer.

The race is proudly sponsored by Buffalo Wild Wings, South Baldwin Regional Medical Center, PawTree and Island Air Conditioning.



CSC Children's Christmas Cheer registration has begun

Christian Service Center Children's Christmas Cheer registration has begun! Moms, Dads, and guardians have begun to come to our front porch and register their kids to get just what they want for Christmas – and to register for our Christmas Food Box. Registration for both is open Monday through Friday between 9am and noon on the Christian Service Center's front porch. We will not be open November 23, 24, and 25 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Our Christmas Cheer will register kids from newborn (or not quite born) to 18. Each of the kids will receive a huge bag of gifts, age and gender appropriate. The Christmas Food Box is a full Christmas meal including a turkey and all the trimmings for a delicious Christmas feast.

Volunteers have been making angels that will be filled with the kids' wishes, and will be taken to area businesses, churches, and restaurants. Please pick up an angel and help make an area child's Christmas the best it can be!

Pictured: Marinda Barbaree, Kay Knitter, Alice Greenwald, and Mary Claire Dover.

Baldwin Co. Boys Ranch pig roast/auction is Nov. 6

The Baldwin County Boys Ranch will host its 24th annual fundraising pig roast and auction at its Summerdale campus on Sunday, Nov. 6. Open house and ranch tours start at 3 p.m. and dinner is served at 5 p.m. Admission is \$25 per ticket or \$250 per table. The BCBR is located at 21870 County Rd 32. Call (251) 989-6392 or email larry@alsyr.org for more info.

St. Paul's of Magnolia Springs Speckled Trout Tournery Nov. 5

The Ninth Annual St. Paul's Episcopal Chapel Speckled Trout Fishing Tournament will be held Nov. 5. This year's competition adds a Stauter-Built Boat Show to the tourney's Weigh-In Party and Fish Fry at St. Paul's in Magnolia Springs (14755 Oak St.).

Fishing begins at 6:30 a.m. The Weigh-In Party and Fish Fry is from 1-4 p.m. The party will include live music by Mitch Johnson, free fried mullet and sides, and a raffle of prizes ranging from artwork to outdoors equipment to

restaurant gift cards to vacation stays.

Prizes for the 2022 tournament are: Speckled Trout –1st place \$500, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200; 1st place Slot Redfish– \$200; 1st place White Trout–\$200; 1st place Total Speck Weight–\$200. Junior division winning anglers will receive merchandise prizes. Tournament weigh-in begins at 2 p.m. and concludes at 3:30 p.m.

All proceeds from the Tourney go to St. Paul's mission and ministry.

For more info, call 251-965-7452, email admin@stpaulsms.org or visit stpaulsms.org.

Nov. 16 Night of Laughter a benefit for Dixie Overby

South Baldwin Community Theatre will present A Night of Laughter, a benefit for Dixie Overby and her valiant fight against cancer, on Nov. 16,

The silent auction and bake sale starts at 6:30 p.m. and the show at 7 p.m. Ann Gaylor will headline the SBCT family participating in the presentation. Seating is general admission and entry is \$20 or a donation. For more info, visit SBCT.biz or to make a donation, visit ci.ovationtix.com directly. SBCT is located at 2022 W 2nd St. in Gulf Shores.

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AROUND TOWN

Nov. 19 Island Church Food Pantry will include turkeys

The Island Church in Orange Beach will host its final Island Mobile Food Pantry of 2022 on Saturday, Nov. 19. Baldwin County families that would like to receive a 50 pound box of food as well as a Thanksgiving turkey are asked to call Lisa Crouse at 251.967.4840 to receive more details. Recipients are asked to be on the property at 8 a.m., and food will be distributed with a drive thru. Participants will be required to pre-register. Space is limited. So, please register through the office. The church is located at 25550 Canal Rd. in Orange Beach.

Free tickets available for Nov. 17-19 Visions of Christmas

The City of Orange Beach Expect Excellence Music Department's will present the 2nd Annual Visions of Christmas production Nov. 17-19 at the Orange Beach Performing Arts Center. The variety show is a high energy community-led Christmas production. Nov. 17-18 shows are at 7 p.m., and the Nov. 19 matinee is at 2 p.m. Patrons will have the opportunity to see everything from comedy, to rock, to classical takes on the Christmas season. Come and celebrate the season with Expect Excellence. Admission is free but tickets must be reserved through the Orange Beach website or at onstage.tickets.

Sirens of the Sea Casino Night Nov. 12 at Event Center

Sirens of the Sea, a local women's Mardi Gras Krewe, presents the "Your Lucky Night" Casino & Game Night on Nov. 12 at the Orange Beach Event Center at The Wharf starting at 6 p.m. The event promises to be better than ever, with bingo, food, raffles and music, and a chance to win \$5,000 in a drawdown. A portion of the proceeds supports selected local charities. The Sirens charities have included High Hopes for Autism, Coastal Arts Center Children's Studio and the Gulf Coast Zoo. The krewe also sponsors an annual scholarship awarded to a local high school senior for college tuition. Tickets are now on sale. For more information or tickets, contact any Siren member, or call 251-402-2218.

Coastal Ballet's Nutcracker Dec. 2-3 in Orange Beach

The Coastal Ballet Company, in cooperation with the City of Orange Beach, will present The Nutcracker on December 2-3 at the Orange Beach Performing Arts Center.

The classical Christmas ballet will be performed at 6 p.m. Friday, December 2 and at 2 p.m. on Saturday, December 3. General admission tickets are \$25 per adult, \$10 for children ages 4-17, and free for children 3 and younger.

Buy tickets at orangebeachal.gov. The Performing Arts Center is located at 23908 Canal Road, adjacent to Orange Beach Middle / High School. Kick off the season with a Nutcracker preview featuring all of the soloists on Nov. 13 at 2 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center.

Coastal Ballet Company and owner Rio Cordy embrace a passion for dance and desires to impact the Gulf Coast by transforming people's lives through the power of art. The company's affiliated school Coastal Ballet Academy strives to teach the art of ballet in a loving manner. At the end of the dance season, students will be richer in body, mind, and spirit and will take with them a deeper love of dance, music, learning, and a heart full of joyful memories. For more info, visit coastalballet.com.



Experience The Oyster Fest Nov. 19 in G.S.

By Fran Thompson

Grab the wide end of the half shell and slurp it down juice and all. Set it on the grill until the butter is bubbling and the cheese is melted.

There is no wrong way to eat an oyster. That's the message emanating from Murder Point Oyster Company, creators of "oysters worth killing for" and sponsors of the First Annual Experience - The Oyster event on Saturday, Nov. 19 from noon 'til 4 p.m. at The Hangout Courtyard in Gulf Shores.

Oysters sourced from 10 farms in South Alabama and a few others will be served at the fest, and 33 chefs from around the region will put their own take on those oysters during.

Appropriate select art vendors and the Mario Mena Band will add to the atmosphere. Gulf Shores' own Big Beach Brewery will be among the vendors serving craft beers.

The \$75 general admission ticket is good for 18 individual oysters from any vendor and two drink tickets. There is also a VIP ticket option. Ticket info is available at experiencetheoyster.square-space.com or eventbrite.com.

According to lore, Murder Point earned its name after a knife fight between two men over an oyster lease in Bayou La Batre back in 1929. The Zirlott family, owners of Murder Point Oysters, originally raised oysters in leased water off Murder Point. They have since moved their oyster farm to Sandy Bay, where it produces around 3 million shallow water oysters in the bays around Horn Island Pass. Their farm is the largest in Alabama.

The Zirlotts have been catching shrimp and fish off of the Alabama Coast for five generations. Their focus now is harvesting Eastern/American oysters (*Crassostrea Virginia*), a species that thrives in the unique conditions off Alabama's coastline. Because they are grown in a controlled environment, Murder Point oysters can be harvested exactly when they reach three inches. They use a long line method to harvest rows of baskets that are raised and lowered depending on tidal flows. This produces oysters known for the firmness of their meat.

According to the Murder Point website, its oysters have "a full, rich, creamy taste with a light metallic finish and a drop of butter flavor in each one."

"We were planning to do a little fest behind our storefront in Bayou La Batre and it very quickly

grew into this," said Jennifer Russell, marketing director of the family business.

"Marti (Duncan) will do one large scale cooking demonstration, but all the other chefs will be set up to host little mini-parties.

"It's more of a tasting. than a celebrity meet-n-greet. People can move from party to party," she added. "It will be a little more personal. And we think people are going to love the smaller, more intimate setting."

In addition to the festival host, oyster farmers participating include: Crystal Coast - North Carolina; Island Time - Dauphin Island; Turtle Backs - Bayou La Batre; Low Country Oyster - South Carolina; Point of Pins - Grand Bay, Pelican Oyster Company - Tallahassee; Admiral Shellfish - Fort Morgan; Salty Bastards - Bayou La Batre; and Matheson Oysters - Virginia.

The long list of participating chefs include: Marti Duncan - Food Network; Bill Brand - Fishers, Orange Beach; Larry Agnew - Jesses - Magnolia Springs; Ryan Stroup - Kiva Beach Club; Ryan Tomlinson - Margaux - Mobile; Bill Stitt - Bill E's Bacon, Fairhope; Jim Smith - Hummingbird Way, Mobile; Irv Miller - Jackson's - Pensacola; Panini Pete Blohme - Sunset Point - Fairhope; Cory Garrison - Southern Roots - Point Clear; Rob Kraatz - The Gulf - Orange Beach; and Dylan Feenker - The Hangout - Gulf Shores.

Murder Point Oyster Tips

Examine The Oyster

- Inspecting your oysters is a very important part of your shucking experience. Look at each oyster and examine the shell. As you take in the beauty make sure the oyster is tightly clamped and no liquor is dripping from the oyster. This will ensure your oyster is still alive and ready to eat.

Keep 'Em Cold

Oysters should be maintained at a temperature between 32-40 degrees. For maximum shelf life, keep oysters refrigerated with the flat shell up, covered in a damp cloth. If you would like to keep oysters on ice, be sure they do not sit in the melting water. Oysters are a live product and will "drink" this water causing them to lose their salty flavor.

A Good Shuck

To properly shuck an oyster, hold it in a gloved hand cupped side down. Using an oyster knife, place the tip of the knife at the hinge of the oyster. Using pressure, twist the knife until the hinge pops open. Slide the knife between the two shells, releasing the abductor muscle and enjoy.

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AROUND TOWN

Family Promise solicits volunteers to clean property Nov. 11-12

Family Promise of Baldwin County is soliciting volunteers to spruce up its new property on 7.57 acres in Summerdale next to its day care center. The four bedroom home that is on site is in need of some TLC. Help with things like garbage pickup, pressure washing, replacing damaged doors, fresh interior paint, and trim work are needed on Nov. 11-12. Both morning and afternoon shifts are available at the 20511 County Road 36 Summerdale locatsion. For more info, call 251-947-5641 or visit familypromise-baldwinal.org.

Family Promise provides temporary shelter, transitional housing, related services and nurturing support to families with children experiencing homelessness. Direct services include a day care center with access to laundry facilities, computer & wi-fi, bathroom, kitchen and resources, resources for jobs, housing, childcare, and education, shelter, meals, clothing, basic necessities and gas cards.

Sunbelt soccer & volleyball tourneys are in Foley this month

Fresh off of hosting the recent Sunbelt Conference Cross Country Championships, Foley Sports Tourism will welcome two additional Sun Belt Conference Championships this month. The Sunbelt Women's Soccer Championship is being held through Nov. 6 at the Foley Sports Tourism Championship Stadium, and the Sunbelt Woman's Volleyball Championship will be held Nov. 16-20 at the Foley Event Center.

The Women's Soccer Championship will include the top 10 teams competing in a single-elimination bracket. The winner will receive an automatic berth into the NCAA Championship Tournament. The Volleyball Championship will welcome all 14 teams into a single-elimination bracket. The University of South Alabama made history last year winning their first ever conference volleyball championship.

"These events will also be the first opportunity for our four new members—James Madison, Marshall, Old Dominion and Southern Miss—to compete for a Sun Belt postseason title, bringing added excitement to all of this year's festivities in Foley," said Sun Belt Commissioner Keith Gill said. "While the championship competitions have always been an exciting time, the addition of these teams will bring a new facet to the events."

For more info, call (251) 970-3042 or visit foleysports.com.

Church of God "blesses community" during its O.B. convention

The Church of God, A Worldwide Association met in Orange Beach for the ninth year during the week of Oct. 17. It is their desire to bless our communities while they are here, and again they showered the Christian Service Center with an amazing abundance of giving. Each day the group collected food, household goods, paper products, hygiene items, baby supplies, and cash donations. This year they also collected toys and art supplies which will be used in area pre-K and after school programs as well as CSC's Birthday Club. Over \$13,000 was donated by charitable attendees. This amount will purchase 87,500 pounds of food from Feeding the Gulf Coast food bank — that's over 43 tons of food! Their generosity will aid families in need in Gulf Shores, Orange Beach, and Fort Morgan. The CSC was overcome with gratitude.

The CSC provides food and emergency financial assistance to low income families. The Center is located at 317 Dolphin Avenue, Gulf Shores; email at cscenr1991@gmail.com; call 251-968-5256; or visit cscgs.com.

Super Smash Bros Tourney Nov. 12-13

Clash eSports & VR Experience will host Tropic Takeover Super Smash Bros. Tournament Nov. 12-13 at The Bohemian: An Event Venue in Downtown OWA in Foley. Register early to save money and get your name in the running for a \$1500 guaranteed prize pool and bonus prizes. Registration includes a free single guest pass to Tropic Falls Theme Park that can be upgraded to a waterpark combo pass. Friendlies (with pizza!) start on Nov. 11. For more info, go to VisitOWA.com.

OCB bodybuilding/figure event Nov. 5 in O.B.

The OCB Battle on the Beach, the only pro OCB bodybuilding and figure event in the area, will be held on Nov. 5 at the Orange Beach Event Center at The Wharf. Competition starts at 9:30 a.m., and continues straight through. Tickets are available at the door (\$45 adults and \$10 children under 12) or online at ocbonline.com.

Categories include Pro Men's Bodybuilding & Pro Women's Figure offering \$4,000 in cash prizes. Amateur competitions include: Bikini, Figure, Wellness, Women's Physique, Bodybiding, Men's Physique, and Men's Classic Physique. Competitors may not participate in more than one category at a show.

"We currently have the largest registration quantity for this 5th annual event, which is also the largest OCB event in the Southeast," said Nate

Eaton, founder and promoter for this event. "We look forward to seeing a great group of athletes and supportive spectators."

The Battle on the Beach is one of four events Eaton hosts throughout the Southeast yearly.

GCAC Golf Tourney Nov. 18 at Craft Farms

After a 2-year hiatus, the Gulf Coast Athletic Club is excited to host the 18th Annual GCAC Golf Tournament on Friday, Nov. 18 at Craft Farms Golf Club in Gulf Shores. Proceeds support all levels of Gulf Shores athletics along with male and female scholar athlete scholarships.

Entrance fee is \$135 per golfer or sponsor a 4-person team for \$500. The fee includes lunch, drink tickets (courtesy of Ferrell Family Dentistry), Arnold Palmer golf, prizes and social celebration following golf. Registration is at 8 a.m. with the shotgun start at 9 a.m. for the 4-person scramble. Play will be followed by a buffet lunch, performance awards and door prizes.

In addition to world-class golf and an all-around fun time, golfers will have a chance to win cash and prizes through a ball-in-the-boat chipping challenge, a putting challenge, three hole-in-one prizes, a split-the-pot raffle, and surprises at many of the holes. To participate, call 251-228-0530, or email fdickinson@gulfnet.com. For sponsorship info, call 334-391-2292, or email autregn@yahoo.com. Make checks payable to: GCAC and mail to: P.O. Box 2167, Orange Beach, AL 36561. More club info: geathleticclub.com.



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Movies at Meyer Park are Nov. 10 & Dec. 15

The City of Gulf Shores fifth annual Movies at Meyer Park series is back again this year. Bring lawn chairs and blankets and join friends and neighbors at Meyer Park for a free movie under the stars.

Movies at Meyer Park will feature a series of three films brought to you by Small Town, Big Beach Productions. Remaining movies: November 10 – Dog (PG-13); December 15 – Elf (PG).

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

Food trucks will be present at each movie, and the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber will be onsite selling beverages for all ages.

In Dog, two former Army Rangers are paired against their will on the road trip of a lifetime. Briggs (Channing Tatum) and Lulu (a Belgian Malinois) race down the Pacific Coast to get to a fellow soldier's funeral on time.



White Christmas In The Tropics Dec. 2 at PBR

The fun loving local mardi gras krewe, The Auroras, will host its White Christmas In The Tropics holiday event on Dec. 2 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the main ballroom at Orange Beach's beautiful Perdido Beach Resort.

The evening will include dinner and dancing to tunes provided by the (above) Six Piece Suits Band. Ladies are encouraged to wear white, but it is not required. Ties and jackets are not required for men (but no shorts please).

Please bring an unwrapped Barbie or Ken doll, or another appropriate toy to build build the Auroras' tree for the Christian Services Center. Other festivities include a raffle. Tickets are \$100 per or \$1,500 for a reserved table of 10. Ticket info: eventbrite.com or the Auroras event facebook page.

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AROUND TOWN



NAS will be open to all for Nov. 11-12 Blue Angels Homecoming

The Blue Angels will be back at Naval Air Station Pensacola for their homecoming weekend shows since 2019 when the world's most famous flight demonstration team closes out its 2022 air show season with Nov. 11-12 homecoming air shows.

The base has been closed to everyone but Department of Defense ID cardholders since a terrorist attack on base in December of 2019. The theme for this year's air show is a celebration of 100 years of carrier aviation.

Gates will open at 8 a.m. with the show beginning at 9:30 a.m. The Blue Angels will fly on Friday and Saturday around 2 p.m. Admission, parking and blanket seating are free, but pets and coolers are not allowed. Attendees can stand or sit on their own blankets or lawn chairs. Preferred seating areas are available with paid admission. There is a seating section for wheelchairs only (first come, first served).

A special operations paratrooper team will be parachuting out of Fat Albert, the Blue Angels' C-130 Hercules. Other acts include an A-10 Demonstration Team; Rad Aerosports, Yak 110; Ladies For Liberty; Brian Correll Air Shows; Stearman Flight Team; and the Flash Fire Jet Truck.

There will also be more than 30 static displays lining Sherman Field. The National Museum of Naval Aviation located adjacent to the air field, and will also be open for business.

Food and beverages will be available at numerous concessions stands. Kids can enjoy activities such as an inflatable obstacle course, Spider Mountain, bounce houses and a spin on the popular gyro. For more info, visit naspensacolaairshow.com or call 850-462-7790.

Pictured: Cathy Deal of Innerarity shares pictures of an unscheduled Blue Angels practice that included a 7th jet filming their maneuvers.



All Services Ball Nov. 11

The Honor HER Foundation will host the 2nd annual All Services Ball on Friday, November 11 from 6-10 p.m. at Court of De Luna Event Space in Pensacola. The charity ball honors the brave men and women of the armed forces, law enforcement, and first responders. Mr. Big and The Rhythm Sisters will play and the event includes a silent auction. Tickets are available online at honorherasb.org. This year's beneficiaries are EscaRosa Suicide Coalition and Mission 22. Every day in the U.S. 22 service men and women will take their lives. More ball info: honorherasb.org; 850-824-0644 or contactus@honorher.org.

Foley Veteran's Day Parade

The Annual American Legion Post 99 Veteran's Day Parade and Wreath Laying Ceremony which will be held on Monday, November 11 at Max Griffin Park in Foley. Parade units will begin lining up at 9 a.m. Parade will begin at 10 a.m. and follow the normal parade route. Lead units will start at the corner of Verbena and South Alston, lining up around Max Griffin Park on Verbena, South Pine and West Roosevelt St.

For more info or to participate in the parade, call Don Madden at 251-401-6544. This event is in honor of all veterans and first responders.

Following the parade, which will end back at Max Griffin Park, parade participants and the public are invited to the post at 2101 South McKenzie St. The Legion will provide free food and entertainment will start at 2 p.m.

Fairhope Vet's Parade Nov. 5

Fairhope will pay homage to the nation's veterans through an annual Veterans Day parade. The parade will be on Saturday, November 5 at 10 a.m. and will begin and end at the Fairhope Civic Center. The parade provides the public with the opportunity to salute and honor our local veteran community. Leading the parade will be Fairhope's 2022 Veteran of the Year. More info: 251-929-1466.

In addition, Fairhope will pay homage to the nation's veterans during a Sunset Prayer Service at 4:45 p.m. on Nov. 11 at Henry George Park. The service will be held at Tears of Sorrow, Tears of Joy. Taps will be performed following the prayer.

VETERAN'S DAY EVENTS



Jeep of Faith raffle is Veteran's Day at Tacky Jacks O.B.

The Operation ReConnect raffle for a one-of-a-kind, custom-built, hand-painted – 2021 Jeep Wrangler will come to a conclusion on Nov. 11, Veterans Day, at 3 p.m. at Tacky Jacks Orange Beach, which has partnered with the locally based non-profit to raise funds to provide vacations for military families who deal with combat deployments. The funds will be used to provide beach-front accommodations for 7-nights free to the families of returning Armed Services members in every branch and rank. Raffle tickets are \$20 for 1; \$100 for 6 or \$500 for 35. Tickets are on sale at Tacky Jacks or at operationreconnect.org or facebook or by calling 251-301-6808.

Pictured: This year's Jeep of Faith is a one-of-a-kind fully-customized 2021 Jeep Wrangler JL put together from Operation ReConnect team members from all across the United States. Features include: Hand-Painted Graphics and Rear Window glass etching by Bufkin Air Design; Rough Country Parts & Accessories: 3.5" lift kit, Vertex Shocks, Front/Rear Bumper w/tire carrier, assorted lighting accessories, MLC-6 controller; 16-million color accessory lighting including interior fiber optics; AMP electric folding steps; and embroidered interior seats with Operation ReConnect emblem. Also, the jeep has 20" Rockstar II Matte Black Wheels; LED Light Bar, Front & Rear LED Spotlights, Bluetooth controlled lighting, and custom hand painted graphics including the American Eagle, The American Flag and The Constitution Preamble.

Wet Willie part of Nov. 11-13 Trop Rock For Vets at Post 199

The 2nd Annual Trop Rock for Our Vets and More event will include three days of music on the beautiful beaches below the bluffs at American Legion Post 199 in Fairhope. Tickets are available by the day (\$15 or \$20) or for the weekend (\$50) at eventbrite.com. Tickets will also be for sale at the event. Local legends Wet Willie will bring some Jimmy Hall Ya'll to the beachside stage on Nov. 11 beginning at 6 p.m. Brent Burns, Bob Durand, Wes Loper and Parrot Tales will play on Nov. 12 beginning at noon, and Rollin In The Hay will play with help from Donna Hall of Wet Willie on Nov. 13 at 4 p.m.

The event is in presented to enhance the well-being of America's veterans, their families, our military, and our communities by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

Volunteers needed for Nov. 5-12 reading of Wall South names

In observance of the Wall South's 30th anniversary, WSRE PBS and Veterans Memorial Park of Pensacola are partnering to engage the community in a week-long Reading of the Names from Saturday, Nov. 5, through Thursday, Nov. 10, requiring more than 1,200 volunteers. Each volunteer will receive a list of names that will take approximately two minutes to read. Anyone may volunteer to read and can sign up to do so online at wsre.org/readingofnames, where the Reading of the Names will be live-streamed, as well.

The 58,318 names engraved on the granite panels of the Wall South—a replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.—will be read aloud at the apex of the memorial.

The last page of names, reflecting the last casualties of the Vietnam War, will be read by three local Vietnam War veterans at the park's Veterans Day ceremony on Friday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m.

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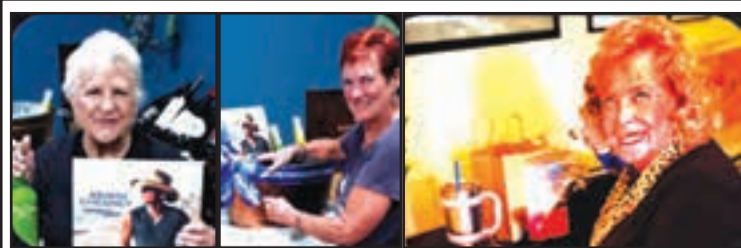
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Special events will include a memorial concert honoring Joe Gilchrist, the late-great Flora-Bama co-owner who founded the FBISF in 1984. For more fest info, visit FrankBrownSongwriters.com.



Nov. 9 Autism Awareness show includes silent auction

Sonny Throckmorton and Rock Killough will headline The Sunset Cork Room's FBISF fundraiser for Autism Pensacola on Nov. 9 from 6-9 p.m. Lynn Lngham, Doug Gill, Taylor Craven, special guest Logan Blade, Tammy Vice, Stephen Lee Veal & Mac Walter will also perform.

Blade was diagnosed with Autism at the age of 2. Though he has limited conversation skills, God gave him a special gift and he is now inspiring others with musical talent that breaks through the typical limitations of his autism.

"Our mission is to provide local children the opportunity to attend summer camp and other enriching activities," said silent auction chair PatsyAnne Stout. "It is our hope with love and compassion to give them a voice of empowerment to be able to contribute back to the community."

Items in the auction include jewelry and crafts by local artists, a signed Kenny Chesney basket, a Flora-Bama pontoon rental, a signed Dean Dillon canvas, a sunset cruise, golf outings fishing trips and numerous gift certificates. The silent auction bid process is now open online. The auction closes at 8 p.m. Make your reservations early (251-967-4773). This is always an event that reaches capacity.

Pictured: Autism Pensacola silent auction committee members with various auction goodies.

Frog Pond at Blue Moon Farm always a songwriters' paradise

The Frog Pond at Blue Moon Farm, Cathe Steele's songwriters' shrine in Silverhill, will feature FBISF Sunday on Nov. 6 beginning at 2 p.m. The donation of \$35 per person goes directly to the performing songwriters.

Since the venue is part of Folk Alliance International, attendees must be on a guest list. Reservations can be made by emailing thefrogpondbluemoonfarm@gmail.com in advance.

Grayson Capps and Corky Hughes will host. Guest writers include Nikki Talley, Abe Partridge, Jimmy Lumpkin, Jason Sharp and Gram Rae.

Inspired by the late Levon Helm's Midnight Rambles, Steele built the Frog Pond, an outdoor stage under a 200 year old Cedar tree on family property as a way to bring musicians and serious listeners together in an informal but respectful house concert setting. The focus is firmly on the music and community built through artists and listeners.

It's a place where musical magic happens in a true listening atmosphere where songwriters get back to their roots, and come together to woodshed.

Patrons bring their own chairs and beverages and are encouraged to participate in what is always a spectacular communal covered-dish dinner. Overnight camping is allowed.

Upcoming Frog Pond Shows:

- Nov. 27: Grayson Capps, Will Kimbrough, Johnny Sansone, John Fohl, Corky Hughes.
- Dec. 4 - Grayson Capps, Corky Hughes, Ryan Balthrop, Simone French, Jay Megginson
- Dec. 18 - Frog Pond Christmas Party with Grayson Capps, Ross Newell, Cary Hudson, Corky Hughes, Katrina Miller and The Crickets opening.
- Feb. 19 - Grayson Capps, Will Kimbrough, Shawn Mullins, Chuck Cannon and Corky Hughes, J. Floyd.



FBISF FOUNDATION GIFTS \$25K TO BELMONT UNIVERSITY:

The Frank Brown Foundation for Music which produces the 38 year old Frank Brown International Songwriters' Festival endeavors to have a positive impact on young people in our area and beyond, and hopes to encourage creativity and enrich lives through music. To that end, the Foundation recently presented a check in the amount of \$25,000 to support the education of Nashville, Tennessee's Belmont University students. \$20,000 of the amount went to the Mike Curb College of Entertainment and Music Business Songwriting Scholarship fund. \$5,000.00 was awarded directly to a student in pursuit of his Songwriting major degree. The check was presented by Mark McBride and Andy Haynes on behalf of the Frank Brown Foundation for Music to Margaret Quigley, Office of Development, Belmont University. For more info, visit frankbrownsongwriters.com.

Killough to sign copies of Front Porch Stories Nov. 6 & 13

Fest regular Rock Killough will sign copies of his book of facebook musings titled Front Porch Stories in the Flora-Bama main room on Nov. 6 & Nov. 13 from noon 'til 1 p.m. Patrons can also order the book directly from Rock at rockkilloughsfrontporchstories.com.

Killough was welcomed into the legion of Flora-Bama possible/probable musicians around the turn of the century and soon recruited arguably the Gulf Coast's best guitarist (John Joiner), drummer (Bryan Wheeler), bass player (Darrell Roberts), and vocalist (Larry T. Wilson) to back him up both on the road for sweet gigs such as the Bum Phillips Charity Golf Tourney. The band, The Dixie Flyers, was able to record one CD, before Wheeler and then Larry T. passed away.

By the time he joined the Bama regulars, Rock had already hung four gold records in his home and performed with The Oak Ridge Boys, Sammy Kershaw, Randy Travis, Brenda Lee, Waylon Jennings, Hank Jr., Merle Haggard, David Fizzell, Larry Cordle, Jerry Reed, Carole King, Jerry Jeff Walker and Mickey Newbury.

Always a storyteller anyway, Rock has gathered his wit and wisdom and put it into a book that includes an audio version scored by Craig Morris.

A country boy from Greenville, Rock currently lives in a cabin near Guntersville on land owned by his niece and her husband. The Greenville native honed his songwriting skills during a stint in the Army, and continued on that path in college at Auburn. In 1976 he connected in Nashville with HOF songwriter Hank Cochran. That led to a publishing deal and an appearance on the first "Austin City Limits" songwriter's special with Floyd Tillman, Sonny Throckmorton, Hank Cochran, Red Lane, Willie Nelson and Whitey Shafer.

Rock has assembled a book of essays that are more about living a laid back life than gossip about his famous friends. His stories in the quick-read/picture filled book are often self-deprecating and always heartfelt.

Humorous and charming in person, Rock's book also writes with little pretention, whether the topic is gardening, old haunts like the 'Bama and The Auburn Supper Club, favorite songwriters such as Billy Joe Reynolds or suffering the effects of food poisoning on his way to play at Jensen's Marina on Captiva Island.

Although losing more of his compadres every year, Rock still plays house gigs and at songwriters fests. And he is still producing music, despite enduring health issues such as atrial fibrillation and open-heart bypass surgery.

"Sometimes it's hard to keep my spirits up, what with being a short-timer and all," he writes. "But sitting on the porch, getting to see the sun come and go, with the wind whispering in the pines, I feel the certainty of that line, "He restoreth my soul." (By Fran Thompson)

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Barbato on other side of the bar at Front Porch

LuckyDoggs band leader opens music bistro in Lillian

By Fran Thompson

It may have been three years too late for Haight-Asbury's Summer of Love, but NOLA, specifically its French Quarter, was teaming with young drop-outs back in 1970. Johnny Barbato was among them. He was all of 15 years old.

"The battle of my life was learning how to not be afraid on that stage. It used to scare me to death when Joe would come in with his friends."

like me looking to party."

A junior Louisiana state golf champion several times over (his father was a golf pro) and the starting quarterback for Holy Cross High School in the 9th Ward, Johnny said he was crashing at "The Green House on Broad St." until he got pulled over riding a Honda 90 CC motorcycle that he conveniently borrowed so often that he forgot he was never given permission to do so.

"You could start that bike without a key," he said. "I was going to bring it back."

Given the choice of a juvenile facility in Mandeville or going back home to Mobile, where his family had moved, Johnny made the 144 mile leap to the Port City and Davidson High School.

"I had never even been to school with girls before, and I was used to being the biggest, toughest and fastest player on the football team," he said.

That was not the case at Davidson, where QB Richard Todd reigned. Todd would go on to start for Alabama and play 11 years in the NFL, including two with the Saints (1984-1985), after being drafted no. 6 overall by the Jets.

Johnny caught passes from Todd as a tight end and kicked field goals for two years before taking over at QB on his way to an expected college scholarship.

Instead, wary of the beating he was taking and not sure he would ever recover from a painful shoulder injury, he and a friend, on a whim, enlisted in the Army.

"Just like in the movie. We showed up the next day and we were in," he said.

Johnny made a great connection during

basic training and spent his entire Army commitment as an on-base golf pro in Petersburg, VA. "I ran a golf course for two years. It was the best job I've ever had," he said.

He was already strumming his guitar and singing Waylon, Willie and Jerry Jeff songs as a solo act when he started running around with Port City blues players that included David Moody, JW Slyde and Wick Larson.

"The show became about Luther. It was never the plan. It was like watching a quarterback call audibles. I wouldn't have had a career in music without him."

I had never heard before. It was something special.

"It opened up a whole world when I had Luther at my side," he added. "I learned how to direct my own bands by watching him command a stage."

Southbound, a Charlie Daniels loving ensemble of Mobile's best in cowboy hats, had a residency at Thirsty's and also played at Red's, the first bar on Dauphin St. The band also played at The Blues Tavern and at Traders on the Mobile Causeway.

Johnny has many stories about band trips to Pleasure Island just as it was growing into the national tourist destination it is today. He would gig at LA Pub & Grub, listen to Jessie James at The Dirty Bird (The Seagull), party with Shine Powell at the club he owned with his wife, Sam, and drop in on Kenny Stabler at The End Zone.

At one point, Johnny says he and Luther (pictured to left of Johnny) got in a car and went looking for the crossroads to make the pact in pursuit of musical stardom.

"When I got busted, Topper Price was the mac-daddy in town. He was the greatest entertainer I've ever seen in my life," Johnny said. "But Topper believed you had to go to that certain place in your mind to play the blues."

That bust, for trafficking drugs, got

Johnny three years in the federal prison at Maxwell AFB. While doing time, in addition to swearing off hard drugs for life, Johnny started writing songs that he would play for a producer in jail for tax evasion who was married to a then Mobile based country singer.

"It was just effing time. That's all. I'd play him my songs and he'd tell me they sucked - over and over," Johnny said. "Finally I played him a song that he complimented me on. He was right. They were bad. It was just prison stuff. Pretty comical, looking back."

Back in Mobile, Johnny re-united with Wamble, who was spending time in and out of Gatemouth Brown's band, and they formed The Lucky Doggs.

He would be hard pressed to name all the players who went on stage with that band in the past 30 years, but guitarists included Ricky Chauncey and Corky Hughes. Leaves from the band's tree also included Keith Lee, Steve Carmen, Zach Taylor, Donnie Skidmore, Rat Connell, Rick Rains and current members

Britt Meacham, Cathy Pace and Dave Padgett.

Even though they were in competing bands on the SEC fraternity circuit, Johnny still has high praise for George Eberlein of Mr. X and Rick Carter of Tel-luride.

"George Eberlein (a Fairhope grad) was just shredding it with Mr. X. Rick Carter's band was huge. But he was always such a gentleman to me. He helped me get a gig at City Stages."

Great musicians (Wet Willie to Will & The Bushmen to The Filthy Rich) were abundant on the Gulf Coast then. And they still are (Lee Yankee, Grayson & Corky, Justin Fobes, et al). But Johnny said nobody has ever influenced him like Luther.

"Luther just killed it. People - even the band - would stop what they were doing and just pay attention. The show became about him. It was never the plan. But he would just go off. It was like watching a quarterback call audibles while looking out over the defense.

"I would not have had a career in the music business without him. Even in my guitar playing, I hear a lot of Luther. He did the simple things so well that nobody else sounded like him," he added.

Johnny also re-acquainted himself with the Flora-Bama and the bistro's holy trinity of original possible/probable per-



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“Man, Lambert and Hawkins. Those guys were outlaws. And then you add Louis. You’ll never again find three outlaws playing in the same place like that,” he said.

“People had no idea how good they were when they came in. But they soon found out. J didn’t just strum, he beat the strings. I was intimidated by those guys.”

Johnny said he found playing in front of FBISF founder/Bama owner Joe Gilchrist especially intimidating.

“The battle of my life was learning how to not be afraid on that stage. It used to scare me to death when Joe would come in with his friends. And there was no greater satisfaction than knowing you hit a home run in front of Joe. Nothing could match that experience,” he said.

Johnny said he learned how to play lead guitar accompanying the greatest Flora-Bama performer ever, Rusty McHugh. This was before Rusty’s childhood friend Mike Fincher showed up and claimed that gig. “Those two were as connected as me and Luther,” he said.

The Lucky Doggs have played national festivals and opened for The Black Crows and, through their connection with Gilchrist, played a gig at the White House for the Florida Caucus.

“That was a crazy good band and we worked hard,” Johnny said. “I liked being on the road. So it was no big deal for me. But we’d take off for North Carolina on Wednesday and work our way back through Atlanta to play at the Flora-Bama every Sunday. We had that Sunday gig for many years.”

Barbato recorded No Pain - No Gain (with Jon Cook, Brock Barreman, Mark Laborde and Howie Johnson) in 1994, and somewhere around that time, he and Luther, both by then Christians, tried to play on the gospel music circuit.

“Our music was too weird a fit into gospel,” he said. “We were playing prisons and churches. But our music was just not intended to play at church.”

Johnny said his life changed for the better when his great niece Madison came to live with him when she was 10. Now 22, Madison began working at The Front Porch when she was 18, and it

was through Madison that Johnny befriended the Front Porch owner and was eventually able to buy the business and the property at terms that were much, much less than market value.

“I took a 9 to 5 job when Madison came to me,” he said. “But I was still playing four nights a week. It was the only time God spoke directly to me in my life. He said, ‘This is yours.’ and I never questioned it.”

He said he was more than ready when he was presented with the incredible business opportunity to run a bistro that showcased live music.

“Those old blues clubs gave way to franchises and corporation owned restaurants,” he said. “I wanted to try to recreate something that had an old school feel to it. And that all goes back to Joe (Gilchrist). Much of it was tough love. But Joe loved me and he taught me a lot. I ask myself, ‘what would Joe do?’ all the time.”

With live music six days a week, the Front Porch hopes to be a foundation for songwriters to work on their craft and mature as performers.

“When I book an act, I am not looking for pretty girls more interested in being an artist than playing a room. I want to know if they can hold a crowd,” he said. “Once you can do that, the crowd will listen. That’s what Joe did at the Flora-Bama. He taught people to listen to music.”

His bistro is part of this year’s FBISF, but Johnny said he also plans to hold the first Hwy. 98 Songwriters Fest over one weekend in late March. He will recruit two other places that front Hwy. 98 and the fest will include an old Flora-Bama player night. It is all part of his plan to make The Front Porch a music venue with food rather than a restaurant that books music. If that doesn’t work out, he will have no regrets.

“I didn’t have anything when I got here, and if I don’t have anything when I leave, that’s OK,” he said.

The Front Porch is now in its second year and Johnny has taken on a partner (Rick Douglas) to lesson his load, but the 67 year old still works 85 hours a week.

“I enjoy what I’m doing and I believe in what I am doing,” he said. “I believe the world is going to come to me eventually. I’ve never been driven by money. I wanted to satisfy my heart, and that’s what I am doing with this.”

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Early fests were strictly Flora-Bama affairs

Robert Sutton/Bill Wilson gave fest a western outpost at Barefoot

By Fran Thompson

The first mention of the Frank Brown Songwriters Festival from newspapers in my archives was a story filed by Bob Hyer from November of 1989.

That same issue had what might still be a timely story from the late great Birney Jarvis about relations being contentious between Pleasure Island's two cities. Orange Beach had incorporated five years earlier, the same year that Flora-Bama owner Joe Gilchrist started his songwriter's fest with a sparsely attended and bank account draining first and last show at the Saenger in downtown Pensacola.

Birney wrote that Orange Beach Mayor Ronnie Callaway spoke to the Gulf Shores Rotary and announced that the city had \$500K in the bank drawing interest and revenues of about \$2 million, with \$250K of that collected in taxes from the Perdido Beach Hilton (Resort), plenty enough to pay the city's 38 employees.

A charter member of the Hell's Angels, a Golden Gloves boxer and martial arts instructor who stopped counting his bar fights at 200, Birney drank only Busch beer before 5 p.m. and vodka after that. And he was the guy showing me the ropes around here. Just his sailing exploits and career with 14 newspapers were worthy of the autobiography Birney would eventually write.

That issue also included a story about Andy Andrews, the Country Comedian, written by Jennifer Brust and a story about Point Rest. owner David Lively raising funds so Chief Del Levis could buy a defibrillator for the Innerarity Pt. Fire Dept.

I have not spoken to Bob Hyer in years, but I know he's around, as I still see him running with pace across the Perdido Pass Bridge, just as he used to do then.

Bob worked at the 'Bama and was writing a book about the famed Lounge-on-the-Line. I don't believe that book was ever published. But I would love to see Bob's notes and combine them with my own research and memories and transcriptions from the hours of interviews that Spencer Adams and Trevor Towle conducted to produce easily the best documentary yet about everybody's favorite bar.

The Last American Roadhouse the Documentary of the FloraBama" was the title and the boys, serious filmmakers both, were in the middle of their mostly musician interviews when Ivan hit in Sept. of 2004. Amazingly, the committee was able to scrap together a semblance of a FBISF just two months later.

Bob's story was about Red Lane, who helped headline the first fest and was an FBISF mainstay until he passed back in 2015. It also included a few paragraphs about Randy Branch, who I befriended when I became involved with the Lower Alabama Songwriters Fest in Fairhope many years later. Randy was co-founder of that fest. He is still plugging away on the Eastern Shore selling real estate and playing gigs when the mood strikes him.

"If indeed I had one place to play as a solo artist, it would be the Flora-Bama," Randy said in Bob's story. Raise a hand if you've heard a musician say that before.

Bob also interviewed Hutson Brook and Kent Cuchaine and mentioned that the great blues historian/guitarist Spencer Bohren was coming over from NOLA to play.

In 1990, I misspelled songwriter/musician/nurse Dar-

rell Roberts' name in the story he penned about the fest. My misspelling of names would become a theme over my next 32 years of covering the fest.

The fest, after the financial debacle downtown, had moved to where it belonged - the 'Bama main room. Darrell reported that the entire fest would be recorded and made available on cassette tapes. He mentioned Hank Cochran, Bertie Higgins, Lane, Larry Jon Wilson and Richard Gilewitz among the visiting writers.

As I remember it, Gilewitz played a 12 string and he was paid to support a certain company's guitar strings while he traveled from gig to gig. He was the first person I heard refer to the Flora-Bama as "the kind of place where you wipe your feet on the way out."

I'm sure Alan Rhody also played that 1990 fest. He, like Gilewitz, was a traveling troubadour. We all looked forward to when they would come hang and play at the Flora-Bama for a few days.

Rhody's first big hit was also the Oak Ridge Boys' first no. 1 song. "I'll Be True to You" spent a total of eleven weeks on the country chart and helped that Atmore based family band make the transition from gospel band to country legends.

The Oak Ridge Boys would also play a role in the FBISF's expansion outside of the Flora-Bama to the late great Barefoot Bar (located between The Spot and Adolph's) on Gulf Shores Public Beach in 1992.

Robert Sutton, who co-owned the Barefoot with Bill Wilson, was from Atmore and a lifelong friend of the Oak Ridge's William Lee Golden and his son Rusty.

Robert had previously ran interference for an Oak Ridge Boys beach concert near the Gulf State Park Pier.

With Rusty booking the talent, the Barefoot started putting on shows for nine of what was then an 11 day FBISF run. There was no shush patrol and no cover at the Barefoot. Billy Dean, T Graham Brown and Jimbeau Henson were among the long list of writers who played for the price of a hotel billet and some meals.

"I give all the credit to Joe Gilchrist for turning this loose to other venues," Sutton said later in the Mullet Wrapper. "It just keeps growing every year. So, we must be doing something right. The writers keep coming back. That's how you know you are creating the right atmosphere.

"These guys are what I consider America's poets," he added. "They write about our loves, passions, wars. They chronicle everything we do. That's what I enjoy most about sitting here and listening. It's not the music I hear, it's the poetry."

Years later, I happened to be coming into the Flora-Bama behind Jeffrey Steele, who was on a roll at the time. I wouldn't have known all that, if I had not just heard him play about six number one hits at a packed out Barefoot. He didn't have his wallet, and the door attendant was under strict instructions from Joe. I am proud to say I was able to fish out a fiver and send Jeffrey into the main room to meet his pals.

Other tidbits from the early FBISF days.

- Eric McDonald's 1997 poster was a painting. Eric had already made his bones doing celebrity portraits and had a hand in portraits that hung in the White House.
- Ricky Whitley, Donna Slater, Cathy Pace and Capt. Eddie were listed among the must-see shows in 1995. The first three will be playing this year. I have seen a

pic of Ricky playing guitar next to John Prine at the Flora-Bama on his facebook page. I believe Ricky has also written a 'Bamacentric autobiography.

- In 1997, Guy Clark headlined an FBISF show at the Erie Meyer Civic Center. The table setters were not to shabby either: Sonny Throckmorton, Bruce Channel, Rock Killough and Craig Dilligham.

- Brent Burns, the official songwriter for our Visitor's Bureau, was the MC for that show. A multiple Trop Rocker of the Year award winner, Brent tells stories before every song and he plays only songs he wrote. And he's been doing that on this island a couple times a week since the 1970's. How cool is that?

- Larry Butler, the first Nashcat to win a producer Grammy and the only person to win Grammy's for producer (Kenny Rodgers' The Gambler) and writer (Somebody Done Somebody Wrong Song) added his star power to the fest when he returned to his Pensacola hometown to open LB's Country Cafe on the grounds of Perdido Bay Country Club. The bistro's walls were lined with memorabilia from Butler's Nashville years.

- In 1992, ASCAP introduced a songwriter seminar and Jim Beam kicked in a \$1,000 grant for the writer of a song played at the fest that best "surrounds" the Jim Beam name.

- He had played at the Flora-Bama once before. But Mickey Newbury's FBISF debut was among the best of many great moments for the fest founder. Joe Gilchrist loved Mickey. So did Pat Richardson, who somehow tracked down the show and the fest from Richmond. "His is feeling music. He sings about things you can sink your teeth into. That have meaning. He doesn't just sing a song. He paints it," Pat said. "I told him 'when I go to heaven, I hope the Angels sing like you.'"

- I am not sure if it has been tweaked since then, but the mission statement for the FBISF back in 1990: "To increase recognition of songwriters and their artistic talent, to provide songwriters an opportunity to interact with their peers in an idyllic setting and to provide professional growth to aspiring songwriters."

- The Mobile Songwriters Assn. sponsored a writers' night at the Seaspray Lounge at the old Gulf State Park Resort. George Rohm and Tammy Vice of the Port City Writers organized the show. Johnny Barbato (profiled on the previous two pages) was one of the featured writers in 1998. "It's humbling that the Songwriters Fest has welcomed me aboard with them," Rohm said.

- The Baldwin Museum of Art in Foley featured the Images of Musicians Art Exhibit featuring functional instrument art lamps from Nick Branch and paintings from Rhody, who designed several fest posters. Both will play the fest this year.

- Although he had played the 'Bama before, Bill Jo Shaver and his son Eddie made their FBISF debut in 1998, and, as always with those two, it resulted in that musical magic that fest regulars live for.

- In 1998, we profiled a then 19 year old Guthrie Trapp, who would soon be slinging his guitar in Nashville. Guthrie was raised in Lillian by a music loving family and surely was playing at the fest before he was a teen. "I would still like to learn how to sing," he told our Michelle McCambridge. "I'm more willing to try weird stuff and experiment with the mandolin than my voice." I love what the late Larry T. Wilson, a terrific songwriter and Baldwin County High School grad, said in that story: "When you listen to his guitar playing, you don't realize that he ain't but 19. What's he going to be like when he's 30? I can tell you. He's going to be a certified monster." McCambridge noted that Guthrie, who now has students all over the world, was sharing guitar licks and talking music at school assemblies even then.



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Maura Hawkins, Steve Dark, Bleus Burger claim top Shrimp Fest awards

Maura Hawkins of Gulf Shores High School won the Singing For Scholarships competition, Steve Dark won Best of Show in fine art and Bleus Burger (located at Pelican Place) claimed the blue ribbon for producing the tastiest food at the recent 49th Annual National Shrimp Fest at Gulf Shores Public Beach. Other winners in the Coastal Alabama Chamber of Commerce hosted fest: Youth for Art - Elementary School: Best in Show - Mandi Plante Funk (Robertsdale Elementary); 1st Place - Annabelle Shropshire (Fairhope East Elementary); 2nd Place - Reagan Wilson (Fairhope East Elementary); 3rd Place - Zayra Hernandez (Foley Elementary). Middle School: Best in Show - Peyton Chain (Bay Minette Middle); 1st Place - Phoenix Wallace (Gulf Shores Middle); 2nd Place - Alice Ogburn (Bayside Academy); 3rd Place - Addie Babcock (Bayside Academy). High School: Best in Show - Joe Howell (Bayside Academy); 1st Place - Aireonna Johnson (Gulf Shores High); 2nd Place - Anabelle Doshier (Fairhope High); 3rd Place - Shon Rodriguez (Foley High). Singing for Scholarships: 1st Place: Maura Hawkins of Gulf Shores High; 2nd Place: Victoria Holley of Spanish Fort; 3rd Place: Luisa Salazar of Orange Beach. Arts & Crafts - 1st Place: Amazing & Beautiful Butterflies; 2nd Place: Masque; 3rd Place: Angels & Antlers. Merit Awards: Joe's Natural Leather; Buddy's Bones; Fishbone Designs; Double Nichols; 2Dye4; Happy Campers; Old Things New; Made From Coins; Island Sand Sculpture; Sara Mason Pottery. Fine Arts - Best in Show: Steven Dark; 1st Place: Keith Martin Johns; 2nd Place: Nick Cantrell; 3rd Place: Patrick J. Reynolds. Merit Awards: Kristin Pierre; Michael Jasinski; Sea Oat Studio; Loran Chavez; Karin Villoroman. Sand Sculpture - Adult: 1st - The Emmas; 2nd - Bill Bailey; 3rd - Dave Gibbons. Family: 1st - The Elders; 2nd - Tiny Art Room; 3rd - The Wileys; Honorable Mention - The Grays.





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WED, NOV 2

- Delta Donnie: 6; Tacky Jacks, Fort Morgan.
- Bingo: 6; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.
- Adam Holt: 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Robert Broom: 5; American Legion Post 44; Foley.
- Shawn Lackey: 5; Doc's Seafood & Steakhouse; Beach Rd., Orange Beach.
- Robert Broom: 5; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- 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.
- Jessie Duncan: noon; Splash Pool; Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- Open Mic: 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- Open Jam: 7:30; Good Time Charlie's; Foley.
- Gary Story & Friends: 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- John Joiner & Darrel Roberts: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- BBRC Running Club: 5:30 p.m.; Big Beach Brewery in Gulf Shores; lafleetfeet.com.
- Karaoke & League Pool: 7:30; The Office, Foley.
- Prayer Shawl Ministry: Noon; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.
- Al-Non: 12:30; Live Oak AFG, St John's Episcopal Church, 401 Live Oak Ave., Pensacola.

THU, NOV 3

- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various venues; frankbrownsonwriters.com.
- Gypsy Spark: 5; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Josh Newcom: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Lulu's at Home-

- port Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- Lisa Zanghi & Leaann Creswell: 5; Doc's Seafood & Steakhouse; Beach Rd., Orange Beach.
- Hammer Heads: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- 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.
- Bama Beach Pickleball Club: 9-noon; Church of Christ, 2414 West 1st St., Gulf Shores; (new members welcome).
- Andy Andrews Live: 12:15; Andy Andrews General Store & Museum; The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- William Gibson: 5; The Perch, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke: 6; Tacky Jacks; Gulf Shores.
- Bridge: 11:30 a.m.; Orange Beach Senior Center, 251-981-3440.
- John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- Karaoke/DJ w. Kelly: 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
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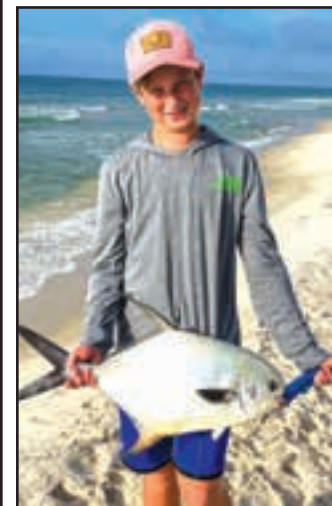
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WHAT'S HAPPENING



New state permit record set for second time this year Rash of rare tropical species being caught on Al. Coast this month

By David "Pierpounder" Thornton

For the second time this year, the Alabama state record for Permit has been broken! In of itself this may not be much of an anomaly, but when put in perspective along with other recent rare catches along the Gulf beaches, it possibly offers further evidence supporting a long term shift of some 'new' fish populations into our area.

Juvenile permit along with other more tropical type fish species have occasionally been observed and documented in our waters in the past. However, their frequency of occurrence seems to be increasing in recent years, along with their size.

Besides the scattered permit we have grown accustomed to hearing about, there has been a rash of species catches even rarer for our region this month. Palometa, closely related to permit and pompano, and even bonefish (over a pound) have been landed along the Alabama Coast and Florida Panhandle. These species are more typically indigenous to the warm, shallow coastal waters off southwest Florida and the Keys.

Does the widespread use of social media by an increasing number of beach fishing anglers simply draw more attention to these occasional natural oddities?

Another difficulty in saying for sure the appearance of these fish is further evidence of climate change is clouded by the unusual course and intensity of Hurricane Ian across Florida at the end of September. Post-storm visible satellite images showed an immense plume of discolored water pushed more than a hundred miles offshore from the Florida Peninsula.

Meanwhile, here we experienced a 'gale force' offshore wind followed by several weeks of calm and clear water conditions similar to that typically experienced along the southwestern Florida coastline. Plus, it is not unprecedented for a major hurricane to displace fish.

Even reef fish may be moved hundreds of miles into areas outside their normal range during a major storm. Like in 1985 when Hurricane Elena moved millions of gag grouper from the Big Bend area of Florida to the northern Gulf Coast. They stayed a few months until winter, then returned to their native waters.

In time, based on observations, we may draw better conclusions that establish whether or not these fish have indeed become established and breed in our area.

Pictured: 12 year old Griffin Haaa is mighty proud of this potential record Alabama permit he caught while fishing with local guide Scott Kennedy; This likely Alabama record bonefish was caught and released by Rendi Muphree in on the West Beach in Gulf Shores recently.

- Karaoke: 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- Tim Roberts: 6; The Tin Top Restaurant, Bon Secour.;
- Favorites Band: 7; Al. Gulf Coast Music Hall; Foley.
- Kid Friendly Bingo: 6-8 p.m.; drinks & snacks available to purchase; Bear Point Civic Assn; Orange Beach.
- 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.
- Grief Support Group: noon-1:30 p.m.; First Presbyterian Church of Foley; 195 E. Berry Ave.; for all who are grieving; 943-8325.
- Al-Anon: 7; Orange Beach Presbyterian Church, 26640 Canal Rd.

FRI, NOV 4

- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various venues; frankbrownsonwriters.com.
- Bama-Q: Grilling on the Gulf Steak Cookoff: 5; The Hangout; Gulf Shores.
- Great Gulfcoast Arts Festival: 10 til; Seville Square Park, Pensacola.
- Hud & The Hurricane: 5:30; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Zach Day: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Broke N Dunn: 6; Tacky Jacks, Fort Morgan.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
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The charity fundraiser also includes Split the Pot 50/50 raffle. Last year's winner received approximately \$2,000. Contact Dalton McCalister at 251-747-4868 for more info.

Dave Roever to speak at O.B.'s The Island Church Nov. 27

The congregation at Orange Beach's The Island Church invites the entire Alabama Gulf Coast community to hear war hero Dave Roever on Sunday, November 27 during all three of its Sunday services (8:15 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.). The church is located at 25550 Canal Rd. in Orange Beach (251-967-4840) and there is no charge to attend.

Roever is a patriot and veteran who serves his country well. At the height of the Vietnam War, he joined the U. S. Navy and served as a river boat wanner in the elite Brown Water Black Beret in Vietnam. Eight months into his tour of duty in Vietnam, Roever was burned beyond recognition when a phosphorous grenade he was poised to throw exploded in his hand. The ordeal left him hospitalized for fourteen months. His survival and life are miraculous.

Today, with his engaging humor, Dave Roever is enthusiastically received both nationally and internationally as a public speaker. In every setting, His message is one of hope. Using his life as an example, he addresses issues relevant to his audience and presents concrete solutions to life's problems. Often drawing upon his war experiences of loneliness, peer pressure, disfigurement and pain, as well as life's triumphs, He weaves together a message of courage, commitment and survival that touches and transforms those who hear him.

Foley Art Center Trim-A-Tree opens Nov. 11 at Tanger

The Foley Art Center's Trim-A-Tree opens at its location in Suite 230 in the Tanger Outlet (next to Zumiez in the center on the South side) on Nov. 11 and will remain open through Dec. 23 from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Monday thru Saturday and 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. on Sundays. The annual six week holiday fine arts and crafts event features wonderful creations by over 200 artist & craftsmen from throughout the southeast. All vendors are juried members of the Foley Art Center. For more info, call 251-943-4381 or visit foleyartcenter.com.

Gifts and Holiday decorative items for sale include ornaments, florals, wood carvings, stanglass, fused glass mosaics, textiles, driftwood trees, quilts, rugs and jewelry. Original art in oils, watercolors, mixed media, prints, photographs, gourds and hand woven textiles will also be on sale.

For almost fifty years The Foley Art Center has served the Gulf Coast area with programs in local schools, scholarships for students seeking advanced degrees in the arts and art classes for children and adults. From the dreams of fifteen local citizens, it has become a vital force in the cultural development of Baldwin County. Trim-A-Tree and its Mother's Day weekend Art in the Park in the John B Foley Park are its two primary fundraisers.



O.B. BRIDGE GRAND SLAM: Karen Marrero and Jimmy Nelson bid and made a 7 no trump grand slam at the Orange Beach Senior Center on October 18.

American Legion Post 44 Annual Car Show Nov. 5

American Legion Post 99 in Foley will host its 4th Annual Car Show and Toys For Tots Toy Drive on Saturday, November 5 from 8 a.m. 2 p.m. in the Legion parking lot at 2101 S. McKenzie St..

Mike's American Muscle Cars will be MC and provide music and announcements for the show. There is a free breakfast for contestants, and the Legion kitchen will be open for lunch, with live music starting at 3 p.m.

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ity Point.

- Dan Plante & Friends w. Special Guest Jimmy Maraventano: 6:30; Sassy Bass Tiki & Cook-Out Bar; Fort Morgan.
- Foley United Methodist Church Fish Fry: 11-1; 915 N. Pine St.; 251-943-4393.
- 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.
- Bubba 'N Them: 6; The Point; Innerarity Point.
- Guided Pier Walk: 9-10 a.m.; Gulf State Park Pier; Gulf Shores.
- Chase Brown: 5; The Perch, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- Open Mic: 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- 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.
- Favorites Band: 7; Al. Gulf Coast Music Hall; Foley.
- Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.

- First Friday Art Walk: 7 p.m. til; historic downtown Fairhope.
- T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly); weigh-in 9; meeting 9:30; Foley Sr. Center, 304 E. Rose Ave.; 251-979-1075.
- Al-Anon: noon; Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, Gulf Shores..

SAT, NOV 5

- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various venues; frankbrownsonwriters.com.
- Opera "La Traviata" by Guiseppe Verdi live from The Metropolitan Opera, 11:55 am; CMX Pinnacle 14 movie theater, Gulf Shores.
- Bama-Q: Grilling on the Gulf Steak Cookoff: The Hangout; Gulf Shores.
- Annual Car Show: 8 a.m. - noon; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- Great Gulfcoast Arts Festival: 10 til; Seville Square Park, Pensacola.
- Coast Guard Auxiliary safe boating class; Orange Beach.
- Honeybee Fest & 5K; 8 a.m. til; Roberts-dale.
- Stone Country: 3 p.m.; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- Matt Erdman: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
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<p>Dome Stage 6:00 - Frank Brown Songwriters 12:00 - Mason Henderson</p>	<p>Dome Stage 1:00 - Tyler Ward 8:00 - Songwriters 12:00 - Russ Abbingde</p>	<p>Dome Stage 1:00 - Mike Raymond 8:00 - Frank Brown Songwriters 12:00 - Chris Beverly</p>	<p>Dome Stage 8:30 - Patrick Cross</p>	<p>Tent Stage 1:00-4:00 Free Bingo w/ Sam</p>	<p>Tent Stage 1:00-4:00 Free Bingo w/ Sam</p>	<p>Tent Stage 1:00-4:00 Bingo with Sam</p>
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- Sapphyre: 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
- Destiny Brown: 5; The Perch, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke w. Bree & David: 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- Karaoke w. Howard: 7; Tacky Jacks, Ft. Morgan.
- Wiley Pete: 7; Stephi Cocktails-Cuisine; Orange Beach.
- The Defrosters: 2; Flying Harpoon II; Orange Beach.
- John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- Karaoke: 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- Texas Hold 'em: 7; The Office, Foley.
- Optimist Club of Perdido Bay: Breakfast every Saturday at 7 a.m. at the Lillian Community Club in Lillian; (251) 961-2620.

SUN, NOV 6

- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various venues; frankbrownsonwriters.com.
- Great Gulfcoast Arts Festival: 10 til; Seville Square Park, Pensacola.
- Joey Houck: 4; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Tim Robinson: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Chris Beverly: 5; Doc's Seafood & Steakhouse; Beach Rd., Orange Beach.
- 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 Shores.
- Lisa Zanghi: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.

- Rodger & Elaine: 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- The Defrosters: 2; Flying Harpoon II; Orange Beach.
- DNA Trio: 4; Hub Stacy's; Innerarity Point.
- League Pool: 7; The Office, Foley.

MON, NOV 7

- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various venues; frankbrownsonwriters.com.
- Perdido Chamber's Red, White and Birdies Golf Scramble; AC Read; NAS Pensacola.
- Josh Newcom: 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Austin Thompson: 5; Doc's Seafood & Steakhouse; Beach Rd., 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.
- Tim Spencer: noon; Splash Pool; Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Lisa Zanghi: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- Smokey Otis: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.

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MASONS SUPPORT SUMMERDALE SCHOOL: Sonora Masonic Lodge No. 635 in Summerdale made a donation to Summerdale School's Booster Club recently. The club will use these funds to purchase books for the library and maintenance/upkeep of the football field. **Pictured:** Chris Roberson, lodge worshipful master gives school librarian Michele Mullins a check while Booster Club member Blake Garrison and his son Riley look on.

Free business financing seminar is Nov. 10 at G.S. Presbyterian Church is offering free office & meeting space to local entrepreneurs

The Coastal Alabama Business Chamber will present a free Alabama Small Business Development Center Hand up to Business Financing seminar on November 10 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Gulf Shores (309 East 21st. Ave.). Lunch is provided, and registration is required. The seminar is for business owners seeking to better understand commercial lending process, lending programs available and business resources to successfully evaluate and obtain funding for start-ups and expansions. Representatives from the US Small Business Administration, Alabama Small Business Development Center Network and local lenders will answer questions. Lunch will be provided. Day of seminar registrations is allowed. More info: email yolanda.johnson@ua.edu or call 205-613-0001.

The seminar is co-hosted by The First Presbyterian Church Hand-in-Hand Business Center ministry, which offers small to medium office space, conference rooms, and large meeting halls to small businesses to serve entrepreneurs striving to launch their businesses. If you are in need of space for your small business or are interested in the development of plans for the center, email Rev. Christina Ennen at gsfpcpastor@outlook.com.

Restaurant/bar, arcade, bowling alley to be built at Tanger Outlet

Launch Entertainment will construct an entertainment complex that will include attractions like bowling, an arcade, and a restaurant/bar at the Tanger Outlet Mall in Foley, according to Business Alabama. Construction will begin in 2023 on the family entertainment concept owned and operated by Sammy Razick, who opened a similar complex in Prattville back in 2018.

"After opening in Prattville, I knew almost instantly that the Launch model had the potential to be successful in other markets across Alabama, so I was always eager to become a multi-unit operator with the brand and play a part in its growth," Razick told Business Alabama.

- Bridge (11 a.m.) & Bingo (6 p.m.): American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
- 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.
- Al-Anon: 7; Orange Beach Presbyterian Church, 26640 Canal Rd.

TUE, NOV 8

- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various venues; frankbrownsonwriters.com.
- Justin Colvard: 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Top Hat & Jackie: 5; Doc's Seafood &

- Steakhouse; Beach Rd., Orange Beach.
- Lisa Christian: 6; Sunset Cork Room; Gulf Shores.
- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
- Brent Varner: noon; Splash Pool; Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Lisa Zanghi: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- Andy Andrews Live: 12:15; Andy Andrews General Store & Museum; The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- Karaok: 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- Danny Grady: 3; American Legion Post 44; Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke w. Kelly: 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- Bridge: 11:30 a.m.; Orange Beach Senior Center, 251-981-3440.
- JW Karaoke: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.

- 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.
- GriefShare Support Group, 6; Point Baptist Church, 13801 Innerarity Point Rd, Pensacola; 601-278-6973.
- Manna Center Food Pantry: 9-11 & 2-4; First Baptist Church of Gulf Shores; 2300 West 1st St.; also adult & children's clothes, computer access, limited financial assistance. Info: 251-948-2485.
- Orange Beach City Council Meeting: 5 p.m.; City Hall; 980-INFO.
- Overcomers Outreach: 7 p.m.; First Baptist Church of Orange Beach; 980-1705.
- Foley Kiwanis Club: noon; Vallarta's, 1145 S. McKenzie St., Foley; 859-771-6091.
- Foley Lions Club: noon; Wolf Bay Lodge, Foley.
- Al-Anon: 7 p.m.; Lillian United



FRIENDS OF MARY'S SHELTER PLANNING VALENTINE EVENT:

While many of us are getting ready for Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas, Friends of Mary's Shelter Gulf Coast are concentrating on Valentine's Day 2023. That is when they will host the third annual Be My Valentine event on Sunday, Feb. 12 in Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church Parish Hall. The day will include a draw down, silent and live auctions and entertainment by the Gulf Coast's very own "Elvis." Mary's Shelter is a home for homeless, pregnant women who choose life for their unborn child. Seated from left are Elena Lundy, Mary's Shelter Director Kay Trattles and Judie Flanigan. Standing are Mary's Shelter Staff Member Marianne Byrd and Sue Moreno. Not pictured are members Jeanne Franz, Donna Blizzard, Sue Koehn and Sally McKinney.

Chocolate/Cheese Fest Nov. 12 at Heritage Park

The Chocolate & Cheese Festival is coming to Heritage Park in Downtown Foley on November 12 from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. The event features chocolatiers; cheese from around the world; food and snack vendors (all of which will have chocolate or cheese menu items, in addition to their regular menu items); Fairhope Brewing, introducing its new Apple Pie beer; arts and crafts vendors; live music, including national country star James Otto at 10:30 a.m., Almost Skynard at 1 p.m., and Elton Live at 4 p.m.

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- 1 c. frozen sweet peas
- 1 (7 oz.) container refrigerated basil pesto
- 1/4 tsp. kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper
- 1 oz. Parmesan cheese, shaved (about 1/2 c.)

Prepare pasta according to package directions in a pot of salted boiling water, adding shrimp and peas to water during final 2 minutes of cook time. Drain pasta mixture, reserving 1/2 cup cooking water in a small heatproof bowl. Return pasta mixture to pot. Add pesto, salt, and pepper to pasta mixture; stir to combine. Stir in reserved cooking water as needed, 1/4 cup at a time, until desired consistency is reached. Transfer pasta mixture to a serving bowl; sprinkle with Parmesan. Serve immediately. **Note:** A better pesto is Bear Pond Farm Premium Basil Pesto. It tastes fresher and more homemade. It is in the refrigerator case.

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WED, NOV 9

- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various venues; frankbrownsonwriters.com.
- Pickerwoods: 6; Tacky Jacks, Fort Morgan.
- Bingo: 6; Tacky Jacks, Orange Beach.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Shawn Lackey: 5; Doc's Seafood & Steakhouse; Beach Rd., Orange Beach.
- Robert Broom: 5; American Legion Post 44; Foley.
- 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.
- Smokey Otis & Mark Laborde: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Open Jam: 7:30; Good Time Charlie's; Foley.
- John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- Open Mic: 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- Gary Story & Friends: 8; Sandshaker at The Wharf; Orange Beach.
- 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; lafleet-feet.com.
- Karaoke & League Pool: 7:30; The Office, Foley.
- Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center.
- Orange Beach Friends of the Library: 10; Library meeting room: 978-4106.
- Food Ministry at Morgan's Chapel United Methodist Church: 8-9 a.m.; 6325 Cty Rd 10, Bon Secour, (across from Swift School); 251-979-2005.

- Food Ministry For Hungry Families: noon-1 p.m.; Grace Lutheran Church, corner of West 23rd Ave. and West 4th St. in Gulf Shores; 251-968-5991.
- Bread Ministry: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Orange Beach United Methodist Church Brook's Center.
- Food Bank: 9 - 11 a.m every Wednesday, Perdido Bay Baptist Church, 12600 Sorrento Rd. Pensacola; call for eligibility requirements at (850) 492-2604.
- Gulf Shores Woman's Club: 11 a.m.; Palmer Room at Craft Farms; all interested women invited to attend; 251-980-5722.
- Gulf Shores Lions Club: noon; 2nd & 4th Wednesday; noon; Adult Activity Center, Gulf Shores; 251-968-2823.
- Al-Non: 12:30; Live Oak AFG, St John's Episcopal Church, 401 Live Oak Ave., Pensacola.

THU, NOV 10

- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various ven-



G.S. WOMAN'S CLUB SUPPORTS FIREFIGHTERS/POLICE DEPT.: Gulf Shores Woman's Club would like to thank the Gulf Shores Fire Rescue and the Gulf Shores Police Department for the service they do in our community. They are our everyday heroes and we appreciate them. The women provided snacks to nourish the police and firefighters as they work during ShrimpFest serving our community. **Pictured:** Verna Duchesneau, Cindy Walker and Connie Barker from the GSWC delivering snacks to fireman Ricky Nolte.



ANOTHER GRAND SLAM: Dick Kaufman (left) and David Batt bid and made a 7no trump grand slam on the Orange Beach Bridge Club on Oct. 5. A grand slam bid occurs when combined hands of a partnership are so strong that winning all 13 tricks is a possibility.



O.B. GARDEN CLUB YARD OF MONTH: Orange Beach Garden Club is proud to award this month's commercial yard of the month to Perdido Place condominiums, located at 29500 Perdido Beach Blvd. Susan Grant, club member, is pictured presenting the sign to Jim Garren, resident manager. Congratulations!

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- GSHS MakeWaves Theatre's The Lost Boy: 6; South Baldwin Community Theatre.
- Lee Yankee: 5; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Josh Newcom: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5:30; Tacky Jaks, Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Lisa Zanghi & Leaann Creswell: 5; Doc's Seafood & Steakhouse; Beach Rd., Orange Beach.
- Brian Hill Duo: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.

- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
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- Andy Andrews Live: 12:15; Andy Andrews General Store & Museum; The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- Grief Support Group: 1-3; Gulf Shores First Baptist Church; 251-968-7369.
- William Gibson: 5; The Perch, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- Karaoke: 6; Tacky Jaks; Gulf Shores.
- Karaoke: 7; Tacky Jaks, Ft. Morgan.
- Karaoke w. Kelly: 8; Sandshaker at The

- Wharf; Orange Beach.
- Karaoke: 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- Bridge: 11:30 a.m.; Orange Beach Senior Center, 251-981-3440.
- Texas Hold 'em: 7; The Office, Foley.
- Bingo: 5; open to all; Amvets Post 2018; 13085 Wisconsin St.; Elberta.
- Texas Hold 'em: 7; The Office, Foley.
- Baldwin Senior Softball Group: 10 a.m.; 50 and over; 10 a.m.; call 225/313-8516 for info & location.
- Gulf Shores United Methodist Church Bread Ministry: 9-10; every Thursday; room 103 on the south campus, next to Crossroad; 251 968-2411.
- Al-Anon: 7; Orange Beach Presbyterian Church, 26640 Canal Rd.

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Foley Rotary Oyster Run Nov. 12 in downtown Foley

The 29th Annual Foley Rotary Club Oyster Run will be held Saturday, Nov. 12 at Orange Blossom Square in downtown Foley. The event consists of a 5k Run/Walk that will begin at 8 a.m. and a One Mile Fun Run that will begin at 9

a.m. The course is flat and fast and is certified by the USATF. Awards will be presented for all age group winners. Each participant will receive an Oyster Run T-Shirt and other assorted swag. Race after-party will include beer, raw oysters, gumbo and pizza. Registration information can be found at Runsignup.com or Foleyrotary.org. Race day registration will be from 6:30-7:30 a.m. All race packets can be picked up at registration on the day of the event. For more information,

GSHS Makes Waves present Lost Boy at SBCG Nov. 10-12

GSHS MakeWaves Theatre Program presents The Lost Boy by Ronald Gabriel Palillo at South Baldwin Community Theatre Nov. 10-12 at 6 pm. Tickets can be bought at the door or ahead of time from a cast member of Mrs. Lami-Doyle at Gulf Shores High School. Tickets are 7\$ for faculty, staff, and students and \$10 for adults. All proceeds go back into the drama fund in order to produce shows for future semesters. Think you know the full story

of Peter Pan? Haunted by a tragic accident and his mother's harsh words, James M. Barrie revisits his homeland of Scotland where an unexpected friendship helps him to create the magical story of the little boy who wouldn't grow up. Come join us as we soar past the second star to the right and on til morning to Neverland!

Bill-E's & Mo'Bay Beignet Co. earn Al. Retail Assn. awards

The Alabama Retail Association recently recognized 12 businesses, including two from Baldwin County, as Alabama Retailers of the Year. In the annual sales \$1 million to \$5 million category, the silver award was presented to Bill Stitt, owner of Bill-E's and Bill-E's Small Batch Bacon in Fairhope. Recognized as the Gee Emerging Retailer of the Year was Jaclyn Robinson, founder and owner of Mo'Bay Beignet Co., with two locations in Mobile and one each in Auburn, Orange Beach and Tuscaloosa. A sixth location is expected to open soon in Saraland.

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FRI, NOV 11

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- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various venues; frankbrownsonwriters.com.
- Grits & Greens: 6; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Bo Grant of The Platters: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Les Linton: 6; Tacky Jacks, Fort Morgan.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5:30; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Crosstown: 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- Dan Plante & Friends: Sassy Bass Tiki & Cook-Out Bar; Fort Morgan.
- 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.
- Bubba 'N Them: 6; The Point; Innerarity Point.
- Guided Pier Walk: 9-10 a.m.; Gulf State Park Pier; Gulf Shores.
- Open Mic: 7; American Legion Post 199; Fairhope.
- Chase Brown: 5; The Perch, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- John Brust: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- Karaoke w. Kelly Ann: 6; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- Open Mixed Doubles Tennis: 7:15 a.m.; all levels welcome; Gulf Shores Tennis Center; corner of West 19th Ave. and West 2nd St.
- Bingo: 5:30; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5659;

3-Ring Circus Nov.18-20 at Baldwin Fairgrounds

Loomis Bros. Circus will be perform Nov. 18-20 at the Baldwin County Fairgrounds in Robertsdale. Shows are Nov. 18 at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 19 at 1:30, 4:30 & 7:30 p.m., and Nov. 20 at 3 p.m. Expect elephants, clowns, aerialists, and show ponies, motorcycle daredevils and acrobats. Full-priced adult tickets are \$25 (there is a coupon ad. on page 22) and include free admission for up to 2 children ages 2-12. Buy tickets at loomiscircus.com or at the gate. All seating is general admission. The Fairgrounds is located at 19477 Fairground Rd. in Robertsdale.

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PICTURES OF THE WEEK



West Beach pictures by Charlene Smalley.



A view of the moon shining on a lake in a neighborhood in Gulf Shores from Diane Folio.



Terika Miller of Wren, Ohio shares a beautiful Gulf Shores sunset.



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PIER & SHORE FISHING OUTLOOK

By DAVID "THE PIERPOUNDER" THORNTON

Recent air and water temperatures are just about where we expect them to be in early November. Every few days another front ushers in a day or two of increasing rain chances and rising surf, followed by cooler, drier air from the north with clearing skies.



That's when the water in the back bays and waterways may drop below 70. Meanwhile, the Gulf water temperature has been slipping into the low 70s with the cooler air and shorter length of days.

These contrasts set up the dynamics for good fall fishing along the coast.

At the top of the list is the bull red bite at the end of the Fort Morgan peninsula. Though there are still some brutish jack crevelle and blacktip sharks in the surfzone along with occasional large black drum, it is the big redfish that take center stage this time of year.

They school up near the south end of Mobile Bay to intercept scores of mullet, menhaden and other smaller finfish that are leaving the bay to seek the relatively warmer waters of the deeper Gulf through the upcoming winter.

It's a long hike to the Point from the parking lots at Fort Morgan, and often a cold one in the early morning. But nothing warms the muscles and flexes the stiff joints of shorebound anglers on a chilly fall day quite like the pull of a big redfish.

These specimens commonly exceed 40 inches in length and weigh over 20 pounds. Surf rods from 7 to 14 feet are utilized by these fishermen intent on 'trophy fishing' for reds. The reels are usually spinning type in the 5000 or larger series capable of holding at least 250 yards of 20 to 40 pound line. Often they need to heave a heavy bait (chunk of cut fish or crab) 50 to 75 yards from shore into the rough surf to find the fish.

Big waves and strong currents, which drive the intensity of the bite often require weights in excess of 6 to 8 ounces just to keep the bait in place on the bottom while waiting for a bite. Sometimes that may be hours apart, but some days the action may be almost non-stop for hours. Yep, that's why they call it fishing.

Fortunately there are plenty of other options available for fishermen that may not require such herculean efforts. Though keep in mind flounder season is closed in Alabama and Florida through November.

Pompano are still on the list of possibilities though, as are whiting, bluefish and sheepshead. As coastal waters cool, sheepshead move out of their warm water haunts in the estuaries and gather up nearer the passes. They orient tightly to 'hard structures' like rock jetties, seawalls and pier pilings, often actively feeding on algae along with occasional invertebrates they find on these

structures. Live shrimp in various presentations are often used, but they like fiddler crabs too. Fiddlers are a little less susceptible to being 'nibbled' by overly abundant and aggressive pinfish than shrimp are.

In certain conditions, sheepshead prefer fiddler crabs, though you never know what they might eat. Ghost shrimp and hermit crabs are commonly used as alternative baits for sheepshead. They may also be caught on sand fleas, pieces of crabs, oysters, barnacles, clams and mussels but very rarely on lures. In any case a good presentation is usually key to getting sheepshead to take a bait, especially in calm, clear water. The fun part is they can be caught on tackle as light as the angler wishes to try. Lighter line often garners more bites, as does smaller hooks and lighter weights unless there is a strong current or wind. Don't be afraid to experiment with bait, tackle and other presentation forms to find the bite.

Recently, clear water has been an issue at times around Perdido Pass with the dredging operation. Plus access to the southern half of the west jetty has been closed off to shore-bound fisherman. The good news is this short term project should be wrapping up soon and access restored. Look for NEAP tides to be a factor around November 5, but stronger tides will prevail through the rest of this fortnight. If we have clear skies around the full moon November 8th night fishing will be pretty well illuminated.

As the water in the surf zone cools off, the bite for pompano fishermen should get 'cleaner'. The small jacks and croakers should be just about gone now, so using ghost shrimp becomes an even better option. Seagrass in the surf is still an issue in spots, but anglers willing to move to other venues are often able to find cleaner water to fish in.

Pier fishers at the Gulf State Park and Fort Morgan are going to have fewer options this month with the flounder closure. But hopefully sheepshead will more than take up the slack. Plus there should be a good variety of 'pan fish' on bottom like croakers, white trout and ground mullet. Try fresh dead shrimp on bottom for those. Though much less prevalent, spanish mackerel may still be available at the Gulf State Park Pier and west jetty at Perdido Pass. White jigs, spoons or small diving plugs will work for them.

Pictured: Jordan Gooding had a great day on the point catching bull redfish, Photo by G2 Coastal.



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- T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly); weigh-in 9; meeting 9:30; Foley Sr. Center, 304 E. Rose Ave.; 251-979-1075.
- Al-Anon: noon; Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, Gulf Shores.

SAT, NOV 12

- GSHS MakeWaves Theatre's The Lost Boy: 6; South Baldwin Community Theatre.
- Blue Angels Homecoming Air Show; gates open at 8; Blues fly around 2; NAS Pensacola.
- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various venues; frankbrownsonwriters.com.
- Food Truck & Craft Beer Festival: 11 a.m. til; Gulf Shores Main Public Beach (Gulf Place).
- Chocolate & Cheese Festival: 10; Heritage Park; Foley.
- Open House at Wildlife Sanctuary of Northwest Florida: 10; Pensacola.
- Bo Grant of The Platters: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Smokey Otis: 7; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- Bruti: 6:30; American Legion Post 99; Foley.
- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.

- Destiny Brown: 5; The Perch, Gulf State Park Lodge, Gulf Shores.
- 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.
- Karaoke: 9; The Undertow; Orange Beach.
- Coastal Alabama Farmers and Fishermen's Market: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.; 20733 Miflin Rd. (County Rd. 20), Foley.
- Baldwin County Genealogical Society: 10 a.m.; public invited; Foley Library; 319 East Laurel Ave.
- Optimist Club of Perdido Bay: breakfast every Saturday at 7 a.m. at the Lillian Community Club in Lillian; (251) 961-2620.
- Ladies AA: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Perdido Bay UMC Activities Center, 13660 Innerarity Point Rd., (Innerarity Point) Pensacola.

SUN, NOV 13

- FBISF Songwriters Fest; various venues; frankbrownsonwriters.com.
- Food Truck & Craft Beer Festival: 11 a.m. til; Gulf Shores Main Public Beach (Gulf Place).
- Tim Roberts: 4; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Tim Robinson: 7; Pappa Rocco's; Gulf Shores.
- Frank Brown Songwriters Fest: 5;

Flounder population rebounds in Alabama waters

Fingerlings raised in Gulf Shores being released in estuaries

By David Rainer

More good news is coming from the coastal waters of Alabama with a rebound in the flounder population, which had suffered a significant downturn in the past decade.

Flounder season will be closed the entire month of November to both commercial and recreational harvest to protect the fall spawning migration. Several years ago, the bag limit was reduced to five per person and the size limit was increased to 14 inches total length.

"We're going to take a look at our landings since we made management changes to look for indications of improvement," Bannon said. "I've talked with local fishermen, and they felt like they had seen an increase in numbers. I use social media as my fishing barometer. You don't take pictures of what you don't catch. I've really seen a lot of great flounder catches.

"Those are good indicators of any of the species. While it's not a scientific method, it helps us know what people are catching and seeing."

MRD is raising flounder fingerlings from broodstock at the Claude Peteet Mariculture Center in Gulf Shores and releasing those fingerlings at various points in coastal estuaries. Bannon said that program continues, and MRD has provided special permits for several inshore tournaments to provide live flounder to be used for broodstock at the mariculture center.

"To exchange our broodstock to keep it genetically diverse, the best way to do that is to provide permits for fishing tournaments to harvest undersized flounder," Bannon said. "Most males don't reach the 14-inch size limit. Most of the legal flounder you catch are females. So, we provide the permits for anglers to bring in undersized and legal-size flounder alive that they would like to turn in. We provide a truck with tanks and members of our staff to collect the flounder. The anglers are extremely excited to participate. They feel like they are part of the process, and it's the most efficient way for us to get broodstock from Alabama wild-caught fish."

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

10th Fairhope Film Festival Nov. 10-13 at six venues

Organizers promise four days of brilliant, entertaining and award-winning films screened throughout the city during the 10th Annual Fairhope Film Festival, scheduled Nov. 10-13. The six festival venues are all located within walking distance of each other in the famous, flower-filled downtown area. Info: 251-202-9119, info@fairhopefilmfestival.org or visit fairhopefilmfestival.org.

Venues include: Coastal Alabama Community College Centennial Hall, 450 Fairhope Ave; Fairhope Public Library Giddens Center, 501 Fairhope Ave; USA Baldwin County Performance Center, 111 St. James Ave.; Fairhope Brewing Company, 914 Nichols Ave; Coastal Alabama Amphitheater, 440 Fairhope Ave; Fairhope United Methodist Church, 155 S Section St.; Ben Gall Theater, 122 Fairhope Ave.

Thousands of film lovers will view over twenty short and forty feature films of world class cinema. There will be international and domestic feature films as well as documentaries. The films are all finalists at other film festivals, and most have never been seen at your local multiplex.

Films sell out quickly and are \$15 each online at the fest site.

The Red Carpet awards ceremony and street party is Nov. 12. Tickets online are \$50 per person. Entertainment performed by Journey to Mars, and Clifton Morrissette will cater.

The fest is a film lover's film festival held each year on the second weekend in November, offering participants the opportunity to see world-class award winning films in a unique, picturesque location. The focus is on national and international film festival competition finalists of the past year: the "best of the best" in cinema arts. Notable foreign and feature films, documentaries and shorts—many that never made it to the big box theaters or were only there briefly—will be selected for appreciative audiences.

Directors, actors and screenwriters will participate in the screenings both in person and via live electronic transmission.

Lillian Recreational Park among Impact 100 grant recipients

Impact 100 Baldwin County awarded \$545,000 total to Lillian Recreational Park (project- Parks and Recreation-The Heart of the Community), Alabama Sheriff Youth Ranch- Baldwin County Boys Ranch (project- Vocational Program for Ranchers), Stapleton Volunteer Fire Department (project- Protecting and Preparing for Growth), Ecumenical Ministries (project- Emmy's Thrift Store Expansion) and Ruff Wilson Youth Organization (project- Fortifying for the Future).

These five agencies were chosen from the focus areas of Arts & Culture & Recreation; Education; Environment & Preservation; Family; and Health & Wellness. They will each receive \$109,000.

"We are able to continue our mission of offering transformative grants because of our founders, 82 women who believed, who knew that when women work together, there is no stopping us," said Impact 100 Baldwin County President Lucy Smith.

Woodside Restaurant at Gulf State Park; Gulf Shores.

- Chris Beverly: 5; Doc's Seafood & Steakhouse; Beach Rd., Orange Beach.
- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
- Rodger & Elaine: 6; American Legion Post 44, Gulf Shores.
- Bends & Brews Yoga: 11 a.m.; in the courtyard; Big Beach Brewery; Gulf Shores.
- Liza Zanghi: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.

- The Defrosters: 2; Flying Harpoon II; Orange Beach.
- DNA Trio: 4; Hub Stacey's at the Point; Innerarity Point.
- League Pool: 7; The Office, Foley.

MON, NOV 14

- Brent Burns: 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Austin Thompson: 5; Doc's Seafood & Steakhouse; Beach Rd., Orange Beach.
- Flora-Bama Rest. Complex Possible Probables: Schedule on Pages 28-29; Perdido Key.
- Flora-Bama Family Friendly Bingo: 1-4

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- Lisa Zanghi: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
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- Key Songwriter's Open Mic: 7; The Breakfast Club; Perdido Key
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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Baldwin County Genealogical Society meets Nov. 12 in Foley

The Baldwin County Genealogical Society will meet on Nov. 12 at 10 a.m. in the Foley Public Library second floor meeting room. Reservations are required and guests are welcome. Email BaldwinGenealogy@gmail.com with your name. Guest Speaker is Tracy D. Neely, President of Mobile Creole Cultural and Historical Preservation Society. Tracy will share the society's mission and history of the Creole communities together. MCCHPS has been facilitating the research efforts of those exploring their ancestral connection to the Creole communities.

The Creole Settlements in Baldwin County are Bon Secour, Magnolia Springs and Fairhope. The MCCHPS is seeking information on the Creole communities, descendants, and family histories. More info: mobilecreolesociety.weebly.com.

In Baldwin County, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and Cemetery in Magnolia Springs is the center of the Creole community. Several MCCHPS members have ancestors buried in the church cemetery. Other cemeteries that the Creole people may be buried are: Cook Cemetery in Bon Secour and Tatumville Cemetery in Fairhope. Baldwin County Genealogical Society meetings are open to all interested parties. Website: baldwingenealogy.org.

Perdido Chamber hosts Red, White & Blues Golf Tourney Nov. 7

The Red, White and Birdies Golf Scramble is a Charity Golf Tournament hosted by the Perdido Key Area Chamber of Commerce and the Perdido Area Chamber Foundation. The event will be held on November 7 at the A.C. Read Golf Course onboard NAS Pensacola. The title Sponsor is Precision Payment Systems. Registration fees are \$50 per player/\$200 per team for active duty and retired Military. Civilians play for \$100 per player/\$400 per team. Civilians will need to complete a security form in advance of the tournament in order to gain access to the course. Deadline for entry is October 24. For more information or to register to play, go to PerdidoChamber.com or call 850-492-4660.

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- 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.
- Al-Anon: 7; Orange Beach Presbyterian Church, 26640 Canal Rd.

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- Brooks Johnson: 5; Lulu's at Homeport Marina; Gulf Shores.
- Top Hat & Jackie: 5; Doc's Seafood & Steakhouse; Beach Rd., Orange Beach.
- Lisa Christian: 6; Sunset Cork Room; Gulf Shores.
- 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.

- Brent Varner: noon; Splash Pool; Perdido Beach Resort; Orange Beach.
- Lisa Zanghi: 6; Ms. Nancy's Lobby Lounge at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach.
- Andy Andrews Live: 12:15; Andy Andrews General Store & Museum; The Wharf, Orange Beach.
- Karaoke/Bingo: 6; Tacky Jacks, Gulf Shores.
- JW Karaoke: 6; Hub Stacy's, Innerarity Point.
- Danny Grady: 3; American Legion Post 44; Gulf Shores.
- Bridge: 11:30 a.m.; Orange Beach Senior Center, 251-981-3440.
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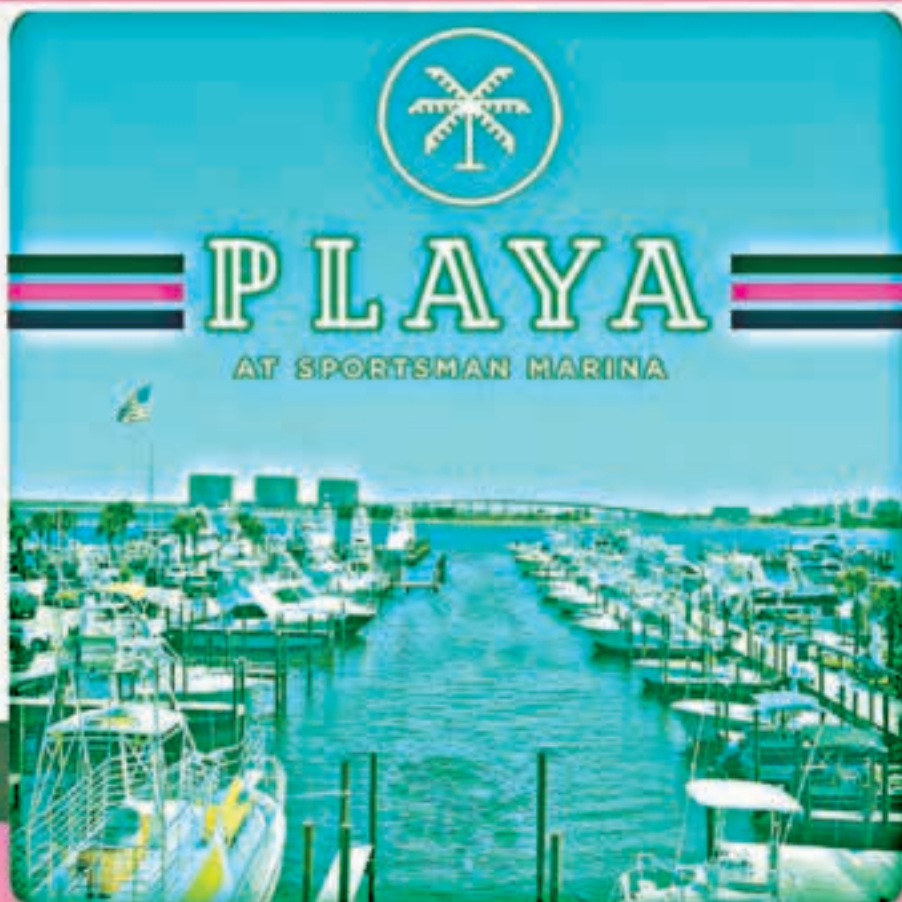
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- A book hit my head and I've only my shelf to blame.
- Only dead fish go with the flow.
- Huge fight at local seafood dive: Battered fish everywhere.
- Reading while sunbathing

makes you, well, red.
 • I made a huge to-do list today. I just can't figure out who is going to do it.
 • Despite the high cost of living, it remains popular.
 • Whenever I try to eat healthy, a chocolate bar looks at me and snickers.
 • Lif is too short.
 • My relationship with whiskey is on the rocks.
 • After my friend turned vegan, it was like I'd never seen herbivore.
 • If you are in it up to your ears, keep your mouth shut.
 • The four seasons ae all different. Summer warmer than ot hers.
 • Looking back, I really hurt my neck.
 • Do people in Australia refer to the rest of the world as Up Over?
 • I don't have a fit-bit. But I have several fat-bits.
 • She only made whiskey, but I loved her still.
 • Terrible summer for humpty-dumty. But he had a great fall.
 • Life and beer are similar. Chill for best results.
 • Resolutions: In one year and out the other.

What do you call a receipt for the transfer of a wind-powered boat? Either a bill-of-sail or a sails-receipt.

I think the whole "Autumn-is-in-the-air" theme has gone too far. Today I went to Jiffy Lube and they offered me a "Cinnamon Spice" oil change.

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"No!" said the horse, "I said 'feedbag' not 'feedback'."

My cousin Jimmy was having a terrible time falling asleep unless he was lying on a pile of old magazines.

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A visitor to the North Pole during a grand tour of the place asked Santa, "Why doesn't this reindeer have any antlers?"

"Some reindeer get their antlers late, some reindeer have their antlers broken off in a fight and some reindeer never grow any antlers at all," Santa answered.

"What happened to this one?" asked the visitor.

"He was born a horse," Santa replied.

A man stops by his local florist shop to buy flowers for his new girlfriend. He asks the proprietor, "You know the expression, 'You should say it with flowers'?"

"How about three dozen of my finest roses?" the florist asks.

"Make it a half dozen roses," the man answers. "I'm a man of few words."

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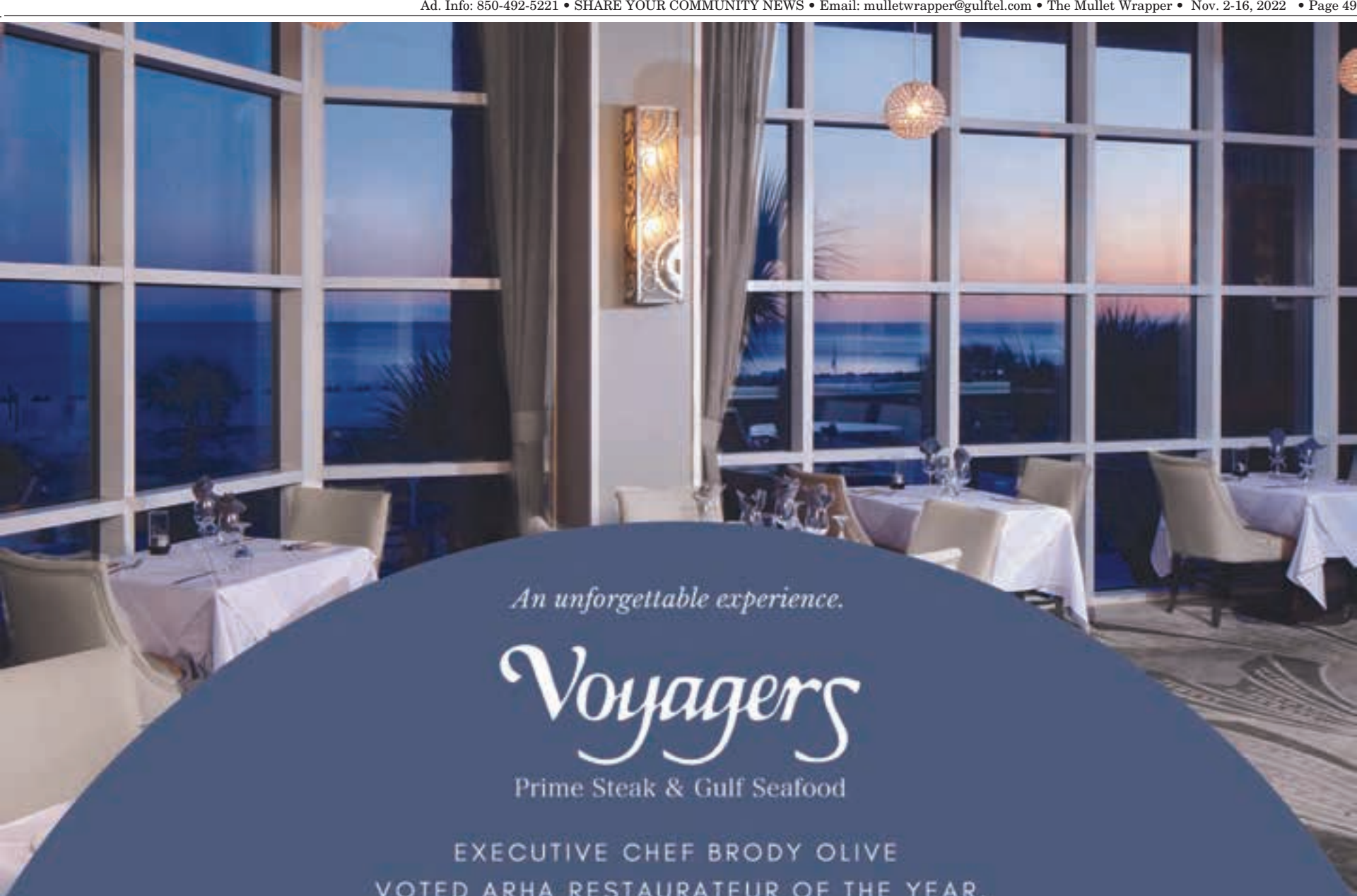
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