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Deal Me In



HOPING FOR A FULL HOUSE -The first ever Celebration For Education charity poker tournament to benefit Pensacola Beach Elementary School will be Friday, October 5 at Paradise. Seasoned poker players and rookies will gather around the felt for a night of Texas Hold 'Em where the winner earns bragging rights. Beach poker players who are already sharpening their skills for the touney are (L to R): Donna Matthews, seated; Beach pioneer and card sharp Tex Atkinson, Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun Promoter Rick Uzdevenes, new Beach resident Scott Stanley, and poker playing couple Chad Opalenik and Liz Ives, seated. See story, Page 2.

Texas Hold 'Em Organizer Hoping For Full House At Charity Tournament

Poker players will put all their hearts (spades, clubs and diamonds, too) into their game when they compete in the Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun Celebration for Education at the Paradise Bar and Grill on Friday, October 5. They will be wearing their best poker faces as they compete in the event which is a fundraiser for Pensacola Beach Elementary School. The tournament is sponsored by Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun and *Island Times*. Play begins at 7 p.m.

Cash prizes are not allowed, so competitors will vie for merchandise prizes, hugs and bragging rights.

"We would like everyone to support this event," Rick Uzdevenes, organizer said. "We will have a poker class prior to the starting of the games, so everyone can compete in the tour-

namment."

The poker class which will begin at 6:30 p.m. will give you the basic skills, rules, and which hands are winners. You will learn how the betting is done and you will even get some tips on etiquette. You will learn when to hold 'em and when to fold 'em. And you will do all this with a straight face. There is no charge for the class, but a donation for the school is appreciated.

"We will welcome new players and novices," Rick said. "Our goal is to raise money for the school and have a lot of fun in the process."

The suggested donation is \$10 with all proceeds going to the school. Also, you will have the option of buying additional chips until 8 p.m.

"It's going to be a great evening," Shelley Johnson,

Owners Show Why Life's A Vette

More than 100 Corvettes, vintage 1950 to new 2007 models, will be on display by their owners at the annual "Life's A Vette at the Beach" show at Casino Beach on Saturday, September 29. The show, which takes place under the Beach Ball, will begin with registration from 8 to 10 a.m. The show will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with trophy presentations at 3 p.m.

Registration fee is \$20. The proceeds go to Pensacola Covenant Hospice. The show, presented by the Miracle Strip Corvette Club, is sponsored by Pete Moore Chevrolet.

New this year will be a special section set aside for children's participation. *Island Times* will

sponsor a drag strip with races from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Kids will race five inch, battery-operated race car replicas down a twenty-foot drag strip. Racers receive prizes and there is no charge to enter.

The area will also include a special car show where children can bring their favorite toy car. Cars in this show may be any make, model, or size. No restrictions and no charge to enter. Children who enter their cars will receive dash plaques.

The show is open to the public at no cost.

Beach resident Rick Gordon is the organizer of the show. For more information, contact Rick at 850-492-7874.



Beach resident and Corvette owner Rick Gordon is the Life's A Vette show organizer.

Island Times publisher, said. "Where else can you play poker at outside, waterfront tables?"

Poker has not only become one of the Beach's hottest sports, but it has swept the nation in popularity. Rick reports a large number of women play at the Beach tables, and win their share of the games on a regular basis. The girls to beat are Anne Vinson and Michelle Bourgeois. Poker

stars Tommy Chavis and Tex Atkinson provide ongoing challenges to all the females as well as the dozens of other players who participate in the weekly games.

Spectators are always welcome, but no kibitzing is allowed.

"It is important that the whole community support the Beach School," Rick said. "I want to do my part in providing fun,

competitive poker events. It's about the kids and the cards. We all come out winners."

"We want to extend a special invitation to parents and teachers to come out and enjoy this tournament," Shelley said. "We want to assure them that everyone in this community backs the school."

For more information, call 850-324-2667.

Wrecks Begin Mystical Mardi Gras Journey

The Krewe of Wrecks will hit the ground running at the Sandshaker Lounge on October 15 and won't stop until the final ceremonies of the Krewe of Coma on Mardi Gras night, February 5.

Jeff Goudey, who calls himself the "Running Around Wreck," has announced the names of the committee members who will direct the myriad of events on the Wrecks schedule. Melanie Waite is the treasurer. Philip Simoneaux and Sandy Johnston are members of the Executive Board.

"Mardi Gras is early this year," Jeff said. "But that's okay because all the fun starts sooner."

The Krewe of Wrecks parade which attracts record crowds year after year has now achieved national recognition with the Southeast Tourism Society naming the parade one of the Top Twenty events in February 2008. The parade will roll on Sunday, February 3 at 2 p.m. The entry fee for the floats will be \$200 and the number of floats accepted is limited.

"Krewes who want to enter the Wrecks parade should

get their entries in early," Jeff said.

Information on entering the parade can be obtained from Sandy Johnston at the Visitor's Information Center, 850-932-1500.

Membership in the Krewe of Wrecks is now open and yearly dues are \$20 per person. Old and new members may pay their dues at the first meeting. The Wrecks have released dates and places for their twelve Monday night meetings. (See the schedule on this page.)

As they say in New Orleans, "See you there, dahlin'."

Southeast Tourism Society
3400 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 725
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August 21, 2007

Congratulations! The Krewe of Wrecks Mardi Gras Parade has been selected as one of the Southeast Tourism Society's Top 20 Events for the month of February 2008.

The Southeast Tourism Society Top 20 Events publication receives extensive exposure in print media, web, and television and radio in the U.S. and Canada. Over 800 newspapers, magazines, radio and television stations, AAA's and others receive the Top 20 listings. The *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* prints the Top 20 Events as a regular quarterly feature of its travel section, and the Top 20 Events has recently been featured on the New Orleans-based radio show, "Travel Talk Radio," just to name a few. The Top 20 Events are also listed on the Southeast Tourism Society web site www.southeasttourism.org and on our consumer website www.escapetotheseast.com The Top 20 Events pages are consistently among the most visited pages on the STS sites.

Sincerely,
William Hardman
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KREWE OF WRECKS MEETING SCHEDULE MEETINGS BEGIN AT 6 PM.

OCT 15	Sandshaker	NOV 12	The Islander	DEC 10	Olive Drop
OCT 22	PegLeg's	NOV 19	The Break	DEC 17	Flounder's
OCT 29	Sabine Sand Bar	NOV 26	Paradise Bar	JAN 7	Sideline's
NOV 5	Paddy O'Leary's	DEC 3	The Dock	JAN 14	Elk's Lodge

Barefoot on the Beach

By Jane Waters Cooper



I don't think I ever had an imaginary friend. If I did, it's been so long ago that the friend would have vanished by now. But, I do remember the imaginary friends which entered two of my children's lives. These creatures of their imagination were so real that even I sometimes believed in them. They, of course, saw them, talked to them, nurtured them, even fed them real food.

Candy's friend was tiny, wet, and wiggly. When she was about five-years-old, she told me she had a new friend. I assumed it was someone from kindergarten. I was wrong.

"He's my raindrop," she said. "His name is Robert Raindrop."

She held out her hand to show me that he was sitting on her palm. I looked, but did not see anything.

"Where did you meet him?" I asked.

"I got him off my window sill," she said.

And, she and Robert Raindrop went off to play. After a while, she came and told me Robert was hungry.

"What does he like to eat?" I asked.

"Same as me. Bread and mustard sandwiches," Candy answered.

I made two sandwiches, took them on two plates to the dining room, and they quickly disappeared. Robert had a good appetite.

As time went on, Candy told me about Robert's elaborate wardrobe. It seems he had raingear in every color of the rainbow.

"Robert's wearing his red raincoat today," she told me on one occasion. "I got him some red socks, too."

Another time, she dressed him in a sou'wester, rain coat, and boots, all purple. She didn't mention socks. I'm sure they were purple, too.

I didn't know if I should call a psychiatrist, get some kind of school counseling, or should I just let Robert Raindrop become a permanent member of the family? I quizzed some of my friends who admitted that their children had imaginary companions. One told me she had a tea party everyday for not one, but several of her little girl's companions. She said not to worry. The friend would move out in time. Which he did. After a few months, Candy never mentioned Robert Raindrop again. Poof, just like that, he disappeared.

My youngest daughter, Liz, created a complete imaginary scenario. She had three imaginary friends, Mrs. National, Heckell and Hayride. She spent what I thought was way too much time with them, but her sisters thought the whole charade was so cute. Liz was five-years-old, and she played with Hayride and Heckell. Mrs. National just went with us to do the grocery shopping.

One night she came down the stairs and announced that she

was going to go live with Mrs. National, Heckell, and Hayride. She packed her little bag and was ready to go.

"I thought they lived here," I said, trying to divert her.

"No. They have their own house. It's on our street. I want to go there."

So, we all piled in to the car and asked her the house number. She said she didn't remember, but she would know the house when she saw it.

We were nearing the end of Driftwood Boulevard when she pointed her finger at a house with a porch light burning. "That's it," she said.

We stopped and she got out of the car. She picked up her little bag, and started up the walk. I got

out of the car, just in case someone might grab her, especially three imaginary someones. She knocked on the door. There was no answer.

She hesitated momentarily, then picked up her bag and returned to the car. "They're not here," she said. "They moved to California. I guess I'll go home now."

From that moment on, we never heard another word about the imaginary friends. Her sisters actually missed her stories about them, but when they inquired she would tell them they had moved to California. And that was all she would say.

Years later Liz moved to California to be with her Marine Corps husband. She laughingly said she

looked for her friends, but never found them. Fortunately, we had all pretty much forgotten about them by then.

As for Robert Raindrop, he took his designer wardrobe and went back to his millions of siblings and cousins.

I wish I could have known what kind of conversations my daughters carried on with these friends. On the other hand, maybe I wouldn't want to know.

All I can say about imaginary friends is that they are real, at least to the child who knew them. They move out just as rapidly as they move in. Apparently, they are harmless, lovable, loyal, and full of fun.

Everybody should have friends like them.

Grass Skirt Optional At Elk's Lodge Luau

Grab your grass skirt and flowered shirt for the first ever Pensacola Beach Elk's Lodge Hawaiian Luau, Saturday, October 6 at 5 p.m. The Ladies of the Elks are hosting the tropical affair complete with Hawaiian music and performances by the Northwest Ohana hula dancers. The menu includes island favorites such as

kalua pork, fried mahi, lomi-lomi salmon, and shoyu chicken.

Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at the Pensacola Beach Elk's Lodge or from any Ladies of the Elks member. The public is welcome. Doors open at 4:30 and the luau will begin at 5 p.m. For more information or ticket purchases, call 850-932-4444.

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TRIVIA

TEX IS BACK

Hold your cards close to your vest. Tex Atkinson is back in town, and will soon resume his winning ways at the poker tables on Pensacola Beach. Tex has been visiting son, Greg, in Seattle.

PREZ RETURNS

Dan and Jane McGrath have returned to the Beach after spending three months in their former home state of Michigan. Breakfast at the Cabana Club was their first official beach outing. Jane is the new president of the Beach Woman's Club.

MERMAIDS MEET

Mystic Krewe of Nereids members Charlotte Spencer, Karen Alexander and Deb Friedman were spotted in a corner of the Paradise Grill last week. Could it be that they are hatching secret Mardi Gras plans already?

COOK'S TOUR

Chrissy and Mike Cook have been on a whirlwind tour since Labor Day. They went scalloping at Port St. Joe, then off to Atlanta to visit family and finally to Texas to see their children and grandchildren.

BIRTHDAY CRUISE

When Pandora de Balthazar's granddaughter Cailyn Cooke does something so important as celebrate her third birthday, Pandora goes all

out. Cailyn's parents, Robert and Megan, joined Pandora on a cruise to the islands to honor the birthday girl.

RUN BRAD RUN

Brad Donahue admits that he runs for fun. He has retired from racing but did complete a 5K in Gulf Breeze two weeks ago. He even offered to pay his running buddies' entry fees to get them to join in. He had a few takers.

WRONG SUN SIGN

Charlie Thompson celebrated his birthday on August 31, but we mistakenly said he was a Leo. Our Beachside astrologer, Lila Cox, says Charlie is actually a Virgo. Now, isn't it just like an Aquarius to point that out!

SUPERSEVEN

Jesiah Fitzgerald plans to

celebrate his birthday on Saturday at Tiki Island playing golf and games. Jesiah is a first grader at the Beach School and grandson of *Island Times* cooking columnist Kathi Lewis.

CARING CONTRACTOR

Longtime Beach resident Chris Shearman should be inducted into the Good Guy Hall of Fame. When the Kaboom fireworks needed a little extra help, Chris asked Alcon Construction to support the event. When the Santa Rosa Kids House needed big hearts and heavy equipment, Chris and Alcon offered both. The construction has begun.

CUBS FANS

Barbara and Alan Lanton sat ten rows from first base at the Cub's game in Chicago last Wednesday. Barbara waved to everyone from her seat during the televised game.

Will wonders never cease? The Trivia Master discovered there were two fish hatcheries on Pensacola Beach in answer to the question, "There was once a fish hatchery on Pensacola Beach. Where was it located?" Jeff Goudey was the first to e-mail the answer the Trivia Master was seeking, Range Point, so he'll get a t-shirt. Sandi Johnson was runner-up with the same answer. End of story.

Nope. Not so fast. Here comes Loretta Browder in third place with the following answer, "At the EPA on Little Sabine Island." We checked this out with Dr. Ray Wilhour of the EPA and he said, "Yes, we have in the past hatched fish for research purposes." So, there were two fish hatcheries on the Beach. We stand corrected, and will send a t-shirt to Loretta. Incidentally, the question hatched a boatload of an-

swers, all correct and about divided in half between Range Point and the EPA. Leroy Cardenas' answer included both locations.

So, no trivia players liked our street question while all trivia players liked the fish hatchery topic. How about some football? "What was the name of the professional quarterback coach, now deceased, who lived on Pensacola Beach for many years? He was the head coach of the San Francisco 49'ers for one year, and later coached in the European league." This question has only one correct answer and the first person to e-mail it to *Island Times* wins a t-shirt.

Rules are the same. Send your trivia answer to islandtimes@bellsouth.net with "trivia" in the subject line. The deadline to respond is 5 p.m. on Wednesday, October 3. Good luck and thanks for playing.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Fritz and Friends Fish Fry, I would like to thank all the Fish and Hush Puppy cooks, servers, down-to-upstairs runners, bartenders, raffle ticket sellers, Blood Mobile personnel, and side dish and dessert chefs. Special thanks to all the people who donated fish to our event: Jay and Kathy

Coughlin, Bill Greene, Bill Edwards, the Lively Ladies Fishing Team and Paradise Grill Manager Renee Mack. Thanks to teamwork, Fritz and Friends Fish

Fry was a huge success. Also, thanks to Kay Turner, Elk's Lodge manager, for all her support. And, finally thank you to all who attended.

Sincerely,

*Chuck L'Oignon
Commander
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Tourist Council Announces Names of Funding Recipients

The Tourist Development Council announced the names of this year's recipients of funds, generated by the Bed Tax in Escambia County at their September 11 meeting. The major funding went to the Pensacola Civic Center, a total of \$2,164,964. Others who received money were the Arts Council of Northwest Florida, \$60,000; Perdido Key Chamber of Commerce, \$113,000; Pensacola Sports Association, \$229,536; and the Pensacola Visitor's Information Center, \$1,205,212.

New member of the Council from Pensacola Beach, Nan Harper, told the Council, "We are operating like a seagull with a wounded wing after the storm. Our entire island will be involved in this year's Christmas promotion. Residents, tourists, and businesses will benefit. Please keep that in mind should there be any funding available."

The Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce and the Santa Rosa Island Authority's Public Safety Department had both applied for funding. The Chamber had requested \$20,000 for its Season Your Holidays with Island

Spirit promotion and the SRIA has asked for help in replacing the antiquated lifeguard towers. The funding requested for the new towers was \$79,000 per tower. Neither request was honored, although the Beach generates a significant amount of Bed Tax dollars which is used in TDC funding. Last year the amount was \$1.4 million.

Members in addition to Nan are Denis McKinnon, Jr, chairman, Mike DeSorbo, Wanda Cross, Nash Patel, Commissioner Mike Whitehead, Nancy Halford, P.C. Wu, and Andrew Rothfeder, Portofino developer on Pensacola Beach.

The next meeting of the TDC will be December 4 on the second floor of 211 S. Palafox St.

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by kathi lewis

Fall is falling (somewhere) and I am excited about some cooler weather. You know, even when it's miserably hot, there are still some people who appreciate that! Take my friends, Ted and Rita Love-Perry. They own and operate an air conditioning business and Rita was extremely pleased for the heat this summer. She says, "If we're gonna eat in the winter, it's got to get hot in the summer!"

Well spoken, Rita, and thanks for the wonderful summer vegetables you brought me for my birthday. They are delicious and that's the only way I ever get them that fresh; when someone else does the work and brings the finished product to me.

I love lazy days in paradise. Speaking of fall, that means parties, parties, and more parties. I'm going to be bringing you some of my favorite party appetizers and main dishes. Get your scissors ready....

But first, I'd like to share the Top Ten of my greatest and most wonderful summer festivities:

10. Deanna's Baby Shower: First time I've experienced a "half-time" during gift opening! And what a lovely and excited Mother-to-Be, along with Grandmother-to-Be, Glamorous Deb.

9. Martinis at the Elk's where one man wanted to bottle Paulette's laugh and sell it! (Also referring to Ted Pence as Ted Spence, which sounds awfully close when martinis are involved.)

8. Biloxi Birthday trip with the girls - until 4:00 am!

7. Red, White & Blues Week: that includes watching KABOOM fireworks and the Blue Angels from our deck! Also includes the Watermelon Suck-Off at Tommy and Wendy Grice's home!

6. Liz Hewson's yearly visit home. Can't wait 'til next year.

5. "60-Year-Olds Birthday Bash" That was a major amount of fun, even though we got a glimpse of the future. Hey, if we can still play as hard as those people, we will be in great shape for our age!

4. Sunset at the Lodge, when we discovered where the "Elk Antlers" had gone!

3. Mystic Krewe of

Nereid's "Splash Party." How cool to invite the SOBs and sisters from other Krewes to join the fun.

2. Playing and shelling with the grandchildren on Labor Day after the rain finished. What perfect weather, perfect beach (made by God for locals) and a perfect day in Paradise.

1. BEING HOME. FINALLY!

Okay, readers, let's head to the kitchen and cook.....

### Festive Sausage Cups

Pastry for double crust pie (9 in.)

1# bulk hot pork sausage  
6 green onions, chopped  
1 tbsp. butter  
½ Cup chopped canned (or fresh) mushrooms  
¼ Cup thinly sliced stuffed green olives  
¾ tsp. salt  
¼ tsp. pepper  
¼ Cup all-purpose flour  
2 Cups heavy whipping cream  
1 Cup (4 oz.) shredded Swiss cheese

On a lightly floured surface, roll pastry to 1/8 inch thickness, then cut with a 2-1/2 in. round cookie cutter. Press onto the bottom and up the sides of greased miniature muffin cups. Bake at 400 degrees for 6-8 minutes until lightly browned. Remove from pans and cool on racks.

In skillet, brown sausage; drain well and set aside. Using same skillet, sauté onions and mushrooms in butter until tender. Add sliced olives, salt and pepper, sprinkle with flour. Add cream; bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Stir in sausage. Reduce heat and simmer until thickened (5-10 minutes), stirring constantly. Spoon into pastry cup and top with cheese. Place onto ungreased baking sheet and bake at 350 degrees 10 minutes or until cheese is melted.

You may garnish with chopped olives.

(If you're not fond of sausage, these can be made with ground beef for tasty miniature cheeseburgers.) Makes 4 dozen.

Enjoy, share with a friend, get out and participate in the festivities and remember: Don't be so open-minded that your brains fall out!

See ya in the kitchen....



When it comes to the fine art of frying fish these two spicy beach guys are professionals. Filling plates for the Fritz and Friends Fish Fry hosted at the Pensacola Beach Elk's Lodge, Saturday, September 8 are Jeff Goudey, left, and Beach American Legion Post Commander Chuck L'Oignon.



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HINT: Malbec wines are perfect with meat dishes.

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# Triathletes Swim, Bike, Run Through Island Course

Many visitors swim, bike and stroll while on Pensacola Beach. Others take it to a whole different level. Professional athletes and weekend warriors will be on Pensacola Beach, Saturday, October 6 for the 2007 Santa Rosa Island Triathlon. The event will start with a 500 meter swim in the Gulf of Mexico beginning at 7:30 a.m. The race continues with a 20 mile bike ride and 5K run.

Since its inception in 1996, the SRI-Tri has been a favorite among triathletes. The course has changed over the years to accommodate increasing participation, but the basic idea has not – to host a challenging race on beautiful Santa Rosa Island.

Former race director Ann Knight recalls the historic year. "Remember how cold it was for the start and how shallow the water in Santa Rosa Sound was! The packet pick-up was in the Santa Rosa Island Authority building and the swim went around the pier and finished between Circle K and Flounder's.

The transition area with no barricades was in the parking lot at Circle K and the bikers headed west into the Gulf Islands National Seashore almost to Ft. Pickens and back. The run was in the neighborhood on the sound side of the Island and the party was at Flounder's beach side! What fun we had."

This year's event kicks off at the Hampton Inn with a Friday fitness expo from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Competitors can register and pick up race packets all day Friday and up until 7 a.m. on race day.

Registration fees are \$85 for individuals and \$135 for relay teams until October 3. Registration fees escalate \$15 after that date.

A post race awards party will be hosted by The Dock on Pensacola Beach. Elite racers can earn up to \$1000 for a winning time. Age group and overall awards will also be given to individuals and relay teams.

For more information, visit [www.sritri.org](http://www.sritri.org).

## Business Buzz ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

### RED HATTERS PONY UP FOR ZOO

Shirley Hart is a member of the Purple Chicks Red Hat Society. The Purple Chicks made a \$200 donation to The Zoo last Friday and are challenging all other chapters to do the same. There are approximately 200 chapters between Ft. Walton and Mobile. Shirley says, "We are party animals and want to help The Zoo!"

### SHOOT THE MOON

Park Ranger Beckie Mims is leading a Full Moon Walk tonight, September 26, at 6:30 p.m. Walkers should meet at the gate to Ft. Pickens and be prepared to journey one half mile to the beach. Bring a blanket or towel on which to sit. For more information call 934-2600.

### SHAKERBLING

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### GOIN' TO THE DOGS

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Society's Barktoberfest in Seville Square, Saturday, October 6 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For crafty, clever pet owners there is a Canine Costume Contest. The event raises awareness and monies for the no-kill shelter. *Island Times* is Puppy Level sponsor of this event.

### LIFEGUARD STANDS

Buck Lee and Bob West of the

Santa Rosa Island Authority didn't get any help for their request for lifeguard stand funding from the Tourists Development Council. But they were able to get \$85,000 from the fourth-cent sales tax. So, they are on their way to replacing some of the antiquated stands now in use.

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# A Cross in the Sand



By Dr. Chuck Randle  
Pastor, Pensacola Beach Community Church

I have discovered that it's never too late to express appreciation to someone for their kindness, generosity, friendship, or for a myriad of other acts of caring. That was brought home again when I read about a former president of New York University who told of remembering a high school teacher who had introduced him to English Literature and laid the foundation for his academic life. He wrote her a thank you note and was totally surprised when he received this letter in return:

"Dear Willie:

*I can't tell you how much your note meant to me. I am in my eighties, and living alone in a small room, cooking my own meals, lonely and like the last leaf of fall lingering behind. You will be interested to know I taught school fifty years and yours is the first note of appre-*

*ciation I ever received. It came on a cold, blue morning and it cheered me as nothing has for years."*

At the end of the day I look back and realize many things left undone, and one that is so very important often gets neglected – writing little notes of appreciation to people who have made me more aware of the blessings I receive through their friendship and love. I know there are those who make a special effort to accomplish goals which impact their lives and, in turn, impact mine, as well as others. I can't name them all, but as I close the day I will give thanks to God for the crossings of our lives, and make a commitment to work more diligently in sharing my appreciation. I believe it is true, as Teilhard de Chardin said, "The way we treat others is the way we treat God."

# Friends Say Goodbye to Former Mardi Gras Queen

Lil Kamphuis was a great American. Lil, who passed away at her beloved home in San Souci on the Beach Saturday, September 8, was a member of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps serving in England and France during World War II. She later returned to France as a member of the Civil Service, and spent two years working in Tokyo.



Lil Kamphuis at the 2007 Queen's Dinner.

Lil not only joined a number of Beach organizations, she was an officer and participated actively in many of them. She was especially proud of her affiliation with Pensacola's Toastmistress International. She knew Robert's Rules of Order by heart, and woe betide any chairman who made a mistake while Lil was sitting in the audience.

Lil was a super Wreck, joining the Krewe of Wrecks soon after it formed, and reigning el-

egantly as their queen in 1994. She missed only one Queen's Dinner in the last thirteen years, and when asked to speak at the 2007 party, she said, "I am so glad to be here tonight."

Lil belonged to the Woman's Club and held most of the offices including the presidency. She was a founding member of the Optimists, and belonged to the Residents and Leaseholders Association, the Women's Army Corps Veterans Association and the American Legion. She always took part in the Veteran's Day parade and ceremonies on the Beach. She also sought financial

support for the Women's Army Corps memorial in Washington, D.C. and attended the dedication.

But, it wasn't all just brains with Lil. She had been an active bowler from 1938 until 2005, and had started a number of women's bowling leagues.

Lil is survived by one brother Jacob of Semmes, Alabama. Also, her niece, Carol Robison, of Gulf Breeze who hosted a ninetieth birthday party for Lil at the Beach Yacht Club in 2005.

A memorial service and reception were held at St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church on Thursday, September 13. Lil had been a member of St. Francis for 33 years, and the family requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be sent to St. Francis of Assisi Scholarship Fund, 1 St. Francis Drive, Gulf Breeze, Florida 32561.

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| <p><b>Pensacola Beach Community United Church of Christ</b></p> <p><b>All are welcome Sunday, 10 a.m.</b></p> <p><b>Via de Luna &amp; Avenida 18 North corner</b></p> |  | <p><b>Our Lady of Assumption Catholic Mission</b></p> <p><b>All are welcome Sunday, 9:45 a.m.</b></p> <p><b>Via de Luna &amp; Avenida 18 South corner</b></p> |
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# Marines Are Looking For A Few Good Golfers, Volleyball Players At Toys For Tots Games

The United States Marine Corps will take a load off Santa's pack, as usual, this year with their Toys for Tots drive which starts on Pensacola Beach October 6. The Marines will run two events simultaneously at Tiki Island Golf and Games, starting with a Putt Putt Golf Tournament along with a beach volleyball competition.

The Putt Putt Tournament will start at 9 a.m. and will have the following categories: 5-8, 9-12, 13-17 and 18 and over. The entry fee is \$4 for kids under 18 and \$6 for adults. If entrants bring a toy for the collection, the entry fee is cut in half.

Putt Putt trophies will be awarded to the best score of the day in all age groups except the 18 and over adult categories.

The Volleyball Competition will be staged on the Beach behind Tiki Island. Check-in for the tournament will be at 9 a.m. with a captain's meeting at 9:30 a.m. and the play will start at 10 a.m. Teams of not more than six individuals will be eligible to

enter in the following age categories: 14-18 (high school), 19-25 (college) and 25 and over (adult). Each team must field at least two female players.

First, second, and third place volleyball champions will be recognized.

Tiki Island's game room will be open all day, and there will be live music. There will be a raffle for the drawing of lucky numbers for door prizes throughout the day.

The Marines collect new, unwrapped toys during October, November, and December to distribute as Christmas gifts to needy children.

The toys are given to children in the community where they have been collected.

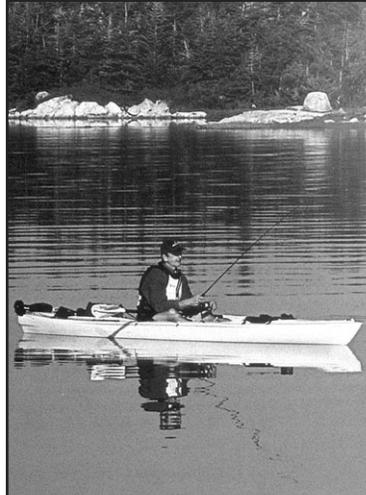
Nationwide, the objectives of the Toys for Tots campaign are to help needy children experience the joys of Christmas, to play an active roll in the development of one of the nation's most valuable resources, our children. It unites all members of local communities in a common cause for three

months each year and contributes to better communities in the future.

The Corps will accept donations of new, unwrapped toys at Tiki Island beginning on October 5 from those who will not be entered in the competition, but would like to donate to the program.

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Beach resident Ann Kirk was crowned Shaker Queen at the 2007 Shakerfest, September 16. She now has a glittering tiara and a custom Shaker necklace donated by Jewelers Trade Shop. Ann earned the most votes at \$1 each. Darla Richardson was the runner-up. Money was donated to a local literacy program.

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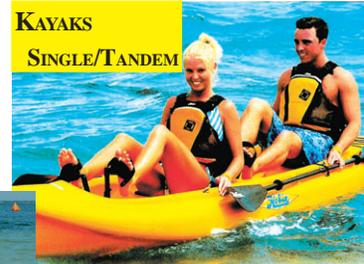
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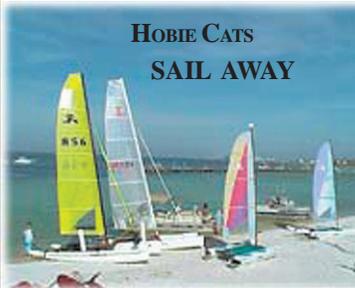
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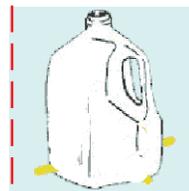


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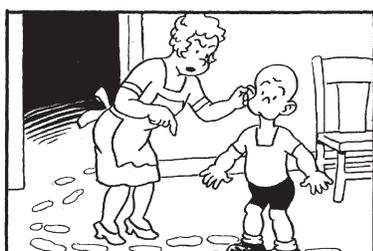
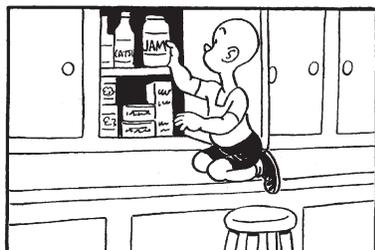
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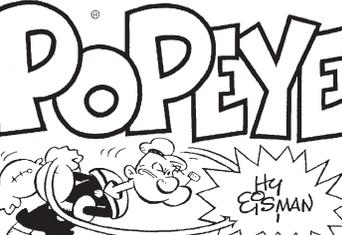
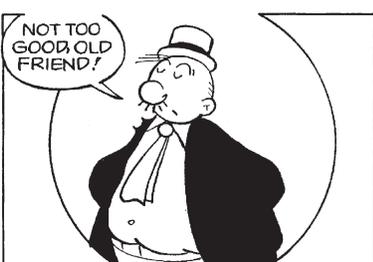
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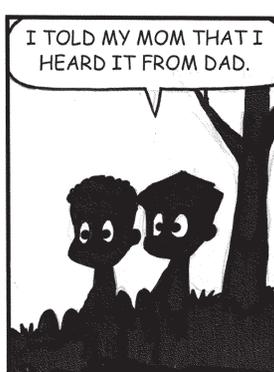
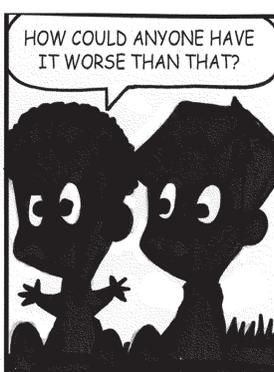



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# Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Someone has some suggestions to offer regarding your new project. You might find them helpful. Remember to avoid speculation and to stick with just the facts, Lamb.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) An old friend suddenly reappears. Whether this proves to be a boon or a bane in the Bovine's life depends on the reason for this surprising reappearance. Be cautious.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Vital information finally emerges, allowing you to make that important personal decision. You can now move your focus to an upcoming professional development.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You might not like seeing so many on-the-job changes. But some of them could open new opportunities for the Moon Child's talents to shine to your best advantage.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) An apparently solid-gold opportunity beckons the Lion. But check to see if all that dazzle isn't just a sprinkling of surface glitter. Check it out before making a commitment.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) A close friend could offer advice on how to handle a difficult family matter. But in the end, the decision has to be made based on what is best for you and those you love.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Family problems are best worked out with all those concerned contributing suggestions that will ease tensions. Stay with it until a workable solution is found.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Expect to hear more about an offer that has piqued your interest. You earn respect for insisting on solid facts, not just a fancy talk about potential opportunities.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) What seemed to be a reasonable workplace request might need to be defended. Don't fret. You have both the facts and a surprise ally on your side.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) A bit of capriciousness might be just what you need. Plan to kick up your heels in a round of fun and games with family and friends this weekend.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Although some of your plans might have to be put on hold, things do begin to take a turn for the better by midweek. Your financial crunch also eases.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Your financial picture begins to brighten by week's end. There are also favorable changes in your personal life. Someone you care for has good news to report.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You seek balance, but not at the expense of justice. You would make a fine judge.



Pensacola Beach Optimists hosted an Appreciation Dinner for deputies, firefighters, lifeguards and park rangers at the Cabana Club, Saturday, September 8. Joining Beach Optimist Secretary Bettie Lee Sundstrom, left, are Tim and Margerite Burr from Gulf Breeze. Margerite is the Optimists District Lt. Governor.

# BYTES AND BITS

By Joe Stuke

Q: My grandbaby is in another city. How can I talk to her over the Internet?

A: There are several programs that will enable you to see people online while you are talking to them. Make sure you have a microphone and a web camera set up on your computer and you are ready to go. That is, after selecting the software and setting up your online access profile. Software can be downloaded for free, but you and the people you want to talk to must install the same software on both computers.

The free programs include Skype (at skype.com), Yahoo Live Messenger (at messenger.yahoo.com) and Microsoft Live Messenger (at get.live.com). Download and install the program

of your choice. The program will detect and start your microphone and camera. Then you can create an "Internet identity" and exchange that information with your correspondent.

Then, anytime you want to start a conversation, just run the program to set up a "call" to their identity. They will see an alert on their screen, indicating that you are waiting for them. Once they

click "accept" on their screen, you are connected with them and your grandbaby should appear on your screen. You can then begin your conversation. Don't try this with a dial-up connection. That is much too slow for real time video and sound.

This article was provided by The Stuke Group. For questions, contact Joe at joe@ycpals.com or 206-3156.

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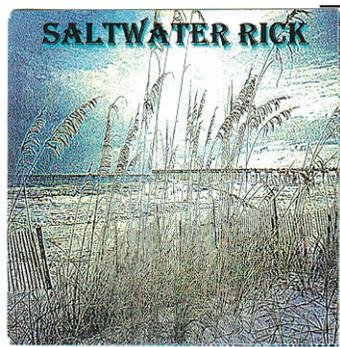
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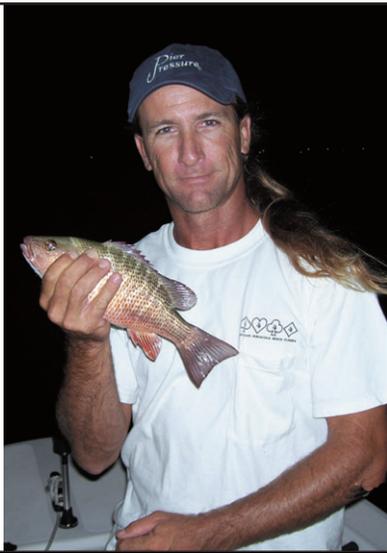
bars and will pick up cut bait, so if your walkin' the beach bring your rig.

Some nice Pompano have been caught in the surf the last couple of weeks and the Floun-

der have started movin'. Giggin' season is on us and the flats are where you'll find them. Don't forget your crab net!

It's beautiful out there, so do yourself a favor and go Fishin'.

**September 6, Santa Rosa Sound - Trace Lewis shows off a nice Black Snapper that he caught while fishing aboard the 4FUN. Saltwater Rick said they were trying their luck around the Bob Sikes Bridge when they snagged this one.**



The weather is finally coolin' down and the fishin' is pickin' up. The Redfish are the target of most inshore fisherman with large schools hangin' around the shallows in the early mornin' and late afternoon. Look for the schools of Mullet and the Reds are close behind. TopWater plugs that make some noise are a good choice, if you don't want to mess with live bait. Live Shrimp or LY's (alewives) on a single hook rig with a mono leader are good choices in the grass if you do. Remember, they like shallow water. Keep them in the slot and be quiet!

Specks are all over the place night and day. Find a dock light and fish it at night. I've caught some on every kind of bait I've used lately.

The grass beds on the north shore of Santa Rosa Sound are loaded up with fish.

If you don't have a boat, just go to the Gulf Islands National Seashore Live Oaks area east of Gulf Breeze and wade out and catch your dinner. This is one great area to fish and there's no one around most of the time. Bring your bait net. You hardly have to get wet. They're right on the shoreline.

The Reds like to lay in holes or channel drops and attack the bait as it comes by so hang on.

The Gulf is cooling and the Kings are heating up. Black Tip Sharks are in close to the sand-



**September 7, Pensacola Beach Gulf Pier - Kenneth, a local fisherman, was King of the Pier momentarily when he pulled in this nice King Mackerel. His fellow fishermen are keeping a close eye on the water waiting for their turn to reel in a big one.**



Lady angler Cindy Phenix hauled in this 30 inch Redfish while fishing on the fishing bridge in Santa Rosa Sound last week. Apparently, she has become hooked on fishing just recently, but wets a line every chance she gets.

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# Winners Get Hot Hands

Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun weekly tournaments yielded winners in non-stop action at three Beach locations. The results are as follows:

## The Islander Lounge

**September 8**  
Winner: Phil Tracy

**September 15**  
Winner: Trace Lewis  
Runner-up: Larry Gers

## Paddy O'Leary's

**September 11**  
Winner: Brian Choron  
Runner-up: Michelle Bourgeois

**September 16**  
Winner: Tommy Chavis  
Runner-up: Trace Lewis

**September 18**  
Winner: Miguel Thompson  
Runner-up: Brian Choron

## Paradise Bar and Grill

**September 12**  
Winner: Tommy Chavis  
Runner-up: Anne Vinson

**September 17**  
Winner: Anne Vinson  
Runner-up: Fran Cox

See these and other poker stars at the October 5 Celebration 4444 Education at Paradise Bar and Grill. Play begins at 7 p.m. and is open to any adult who has a basic knowledge of the game. For those who need it, a poker class will be held at 6:30 on game night.

For more information call 850-324-2667.



Michelle Bourgeois and Bud White know when to hold 'em at the Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun weekly tournaments.



Pensacola Beach Elk's Lodge #497 sponsored a Blood Drive Saturday, September 8. Twenty-three donors gave the gift of life at the Bloodmobile from the Northwest Florida Blood Center. Thanks to generous prize donations and ticket purchasers, the raffle raised \$100 for the Blood Center and \$125 for the Elk's Lodge Patio Construction Fund. Look for these ladies at the next Beach Blood Drive Sunday, November 11. Front row (L to R): Blood Drive organizers Darla Richardson and Debbie Copeland. Back row (L to R) are: Bloodmobile staffers Patricia, Donna, Cassandra, Rachel and Karen.



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# Where Are All These People From?

Did you ever ask yourself as you were driving in the core area on Pensacola Beach, "Where did all these people come from?" You may be surprised to learn that they come from all over everywhere.

According to an end of summer report issued by Sandy Johnston, manager of the Visitor's Information Center, more tourists visit the Beach from Louisiana

than any other state. The rest of the top ten are Texas, Alabama, Missouri, Tennessee, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, and Illinois.

Perhaps, even more surprising are the numbers of people who come to vacation on the Beach from other countries with Italy topping the list. Italy is followed by Spain, France, Germany, Canada, England, Serbia, Scot-

land, Switzerland, and the Netherlands.

The volunteers at the VIC see more than 3000 visitors per month during the off season and more than 5000 visitors per month during the peak summer vacation time.

"These numbers are very valuable in measuring the Island's advertising campaigns," Johnston said.



Fourteen friends left Northwest Florida last month to sail to Mexico. The Cruise Chicks clad in "Paradise-Pensacola Beach" shirts located "Paradise Beach" on the Island of Cozumel. Feeling right at home are front row (L to R): Ella Hess, Sharon Scruggs, Cathy Long, Paulette Provost, Marilyn LeNormand, Mistie McNary, and Bonnie McDonald. Back row(L to R): Cindy Rigdon, Elaine Mitchell, Charlyle Parrish, Courtney Winstead, Sandy Huggins, Renee' Mack and Sharon Mattair.

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# Beauty & The Beach

By Danah Gibson

**Q:** How do I to remove hair color?

**A:** There's nothing like coloring your hair to make you feel and look refreshed. A new hair color can do wonders for your confidence level or sometimes it can spell disaster!

The color on the box at the drug store might look really pretty, but once you have used it, the reactions might vary from "Oh #&\*@!" to throwing you into a major depression. If you fall into this category, here are some suggestions on how to remove hair color.

Okay, let's say the color you have been dreaming about and are attempting to do at home went totally wrong. It may be too bright, uneven, too dark or not the shade you were expecting. Blaming the product company will not help, what you need is damage control.

Hair color is not like paint that can be easily removed with paint remover. This is your hair! You have to wear it everyday. Your best bet is to go to a professional colorist. The only way to actually remove color is with a color removal product,

otherwise known as bleach. This is nothing to mess around with at home, unless you're prepared for a super short hairdo a la Brittany Spears. These products should be used by the pros only.

What you can do at home to rectify the situation is a color cover-up. Depending on the color you selected, you might be able to cover with a shade or two darker. Always call the color manufacturer and seek their advice. If you mix different tones you can end up with a horribly flat, muddy color, or something so bright that it looks like the aliens are coming in for a landing.

Mistakes do happen, but learn from them and take care not to let them happen again. A professional colorist can usually do something to help you. Make the best of this situation and get a flattering new cut. Perhaps you should accessorize heavily, get some groovy new shoes, anything to draw attention away from your not-so-lovely hair color.

Please remember to use products that are safe, because a head full of orange hair is better than no hair at all.

Here's to good health and happy hair!



## Comfort and Joy

by Pandora de Balthazar

I usually write about the comfort you can gain by using top quality bedding and accessories to make your sleep and relaxation areas comfy, and the joy you gather giving your body the great sleep it needs. Time for a break. Let's go to the Beach and use our eyes for some comfort and joy!

The Beach is so beautiful today. It's simply delightful! Thinking back to September 2004, it's important to realize just how far we have come in our recovery, and how our community's beauty is beginning to shine like never before.

If you haven't taken the time for a drive, a walk, or a bike ride around the Beach, grab a friend, and do it now. Enjoy! Express yourself! Laugh! Share! It will truly make a difference in your life, and in your enjoyment of our incredible beaches and lovely beachside community.

While you are doing this, also take time to look into the eyes of your companion, and those who you love, or even just meet. When you talk with them listen with your eyes, as well as your ears. See what they have to share with you. The problems they have may be ones you can solve. You may have joy to share and comfort to give.

The joy you can share, and the comfort you give from truly knowing one's positive, honest

feelings will go with them forever. It will be beautiful each time you revisit that feeling. It is just like our beaches retaining their natural beauty year after year, changing with the ebbs and tides, yet constantly delighting us with their natural beauty.

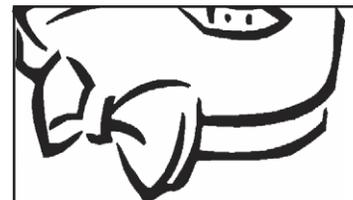
In fact, here's an exercise to try. When you speak to another person, stop and look them in the eyes while carrying on the conversation. Do the same when they respond or share with you.

The eyes of the person can give you the opportunity to learn so much more about that person and perhaps about yourself. Try it. It's amazing how much less you have to say when you use your eyes and how much more satisfying the conversation is. Feelings like joy, love, pain, delight, fear, anger, and need are so vivid in the eyes. Take time to

look and listen.

Share the laughter you have, and encourage everyone to enjoy the gifts our Island offers.

Each and every day we have the opportunity to look and listen to those around us. We can share the joy we feel. We can lift each other up for a better and more beautiful day! Each of you can be as beautiful as a Pensacola Beach sunset. I can see it in your eyes.



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# PBRLA Plans Election

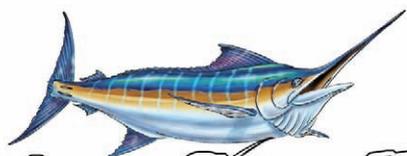
The Pensacola Beach Residents and Leaseholders Association is looking for Beach members of the organization to serve as the 2008 officers, according to Tona DeMers, president.

Nominations may be made by calling Tona at 850- 932-2190.

The slate will be presented at the Monday night meeting at six p.m. on October 8. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor and the election will take place that night.

New officers will assume their duties in January.

Nominees must be members in good standing of the PBRLA as of August 1 to be eligible to run. The October 8 meeting will be at the Pensacola Beach Community Church.



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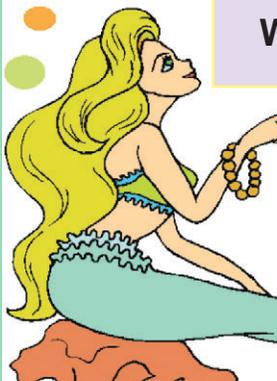
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# The LIZZARD'S TONGUE

by E.K. Hewson



I can't help but love the last week in September thanks in part to Madison Avenue designating it "Advertising Week." I have always loved advertisements from print to broadcast, from full page spreads to 60-second spots. There is nothing better than a great ad jingle that stays with you for life. Never mind if the product works or it's a product you can even use, it's all about the advertising.

My earliest memories of ads were from television. I still remember how the mom in the Windex commercial had a toaster so sparkly that she could see her reflection in it. Today do I buy Windex? Please, you are making a very big assumption that I do windows.

I am not sure if these qualify for advertisements. Maybe they might even have been the first infomercials. I grew up on Schoolhouse Rock and the health and nutrition commercials that aired during Saturday morning cartoons on ABC. I didn't really care for the cartoons. I liked what was being advertised. A few years ago I bought the entire CD set of Schoolhouse Rock and used it in my classroom when I taught. And on more than one occasion my son, Harry, has had to listen to me sing, "I hanker for a hunk of, a slab or slice or chunk of, a snack that is a winner, yet won't spoil my dinner, I hanker for a hunk of cheese."

As an adult, I watch very little commercial television. I subscribe to cable and have to remember "It's not TV. It's HBO." Therefore, I pay a premium not to have my mind cluttered with any-

more marketing ploys than it already is. Still, I find myself channel surfing sometimes and stopping on commercials that catch my attention like the ones for GEICO insurance. I've long since stopped watching the Super Bowl for the actual football game. It's all about the commercials.

I do, however, read three newspapers cover to cover: the *Wall Street Journal*, the *New York Times* (Sunday edition only) and my personal favorite, the *Island Times*. What the *WSJ* lacks in great attention getting ads, it more than makes up for in content. The *WSJ* has come a long way from being nothing but a publication about finances and the economy.

As for the Sunday edition of the *New York Times* - let's just say a girl can dream, can't she? Half-way through the lead story on the front page and while searching for A16 to read how it ends, I lose myself in the ads on the pages in between. Next thing I know, I see myself wearing a Winston Solitaire and clutching a Tod's tote while heading off to a private showing of some designer's fall collection at Lord Taylor that I plan to pack in my Louis Vuitton luggage while jetting off to some exotic location serviced by British Airways.

The *Island Times*, simply put, is a reality check. I feel myself getting homesick -- missing my family, friends and all the great fun I had growing up on Pensacola Beach. Once I've finished with Flounder's and Crab's advertisements, unlike the other newspapers we subscribe to, the *Island Times* doesn't get recycled, but gets saved in my leather portfo-

lio. Once the case is zipped and stored underneath my bed, I head out to the Commissary for filets of flounder and king crab legs. By the weekend, at least the spirit of Pensacola Beach will be alive and well in our garage bar.

Yes, "Advertising Week" may officially end on September 28, but the jingles, logos, slogans and icons created from some of the best in the business on Madison Avenue will live on in my brain forever. To see which two advertising slogans and icons will be inducted into this year's Madison Avenue Advertising Walk of Fame, log onto [http://advertising.yahoo.com/advertisingweek\\_07/index.html](http://advertising.yahoo.com/advertisingweek_07/index.html). The winners are being announced concurrently with the *Island Times*' press time.

"The Few. The Proud. The Marines." got my vote. So did "I want my MTV." and "All The News That's Fit To Print." and "Good To The Last Drop." and "Have it your way." and "We Try Harder."

Then there were the icons -- the Maytag repairman, the Coppertone girl, Snap, Crackle and Pop, and the Travelocity Roaming Gnome. And to think I was only supposed to vote for two.

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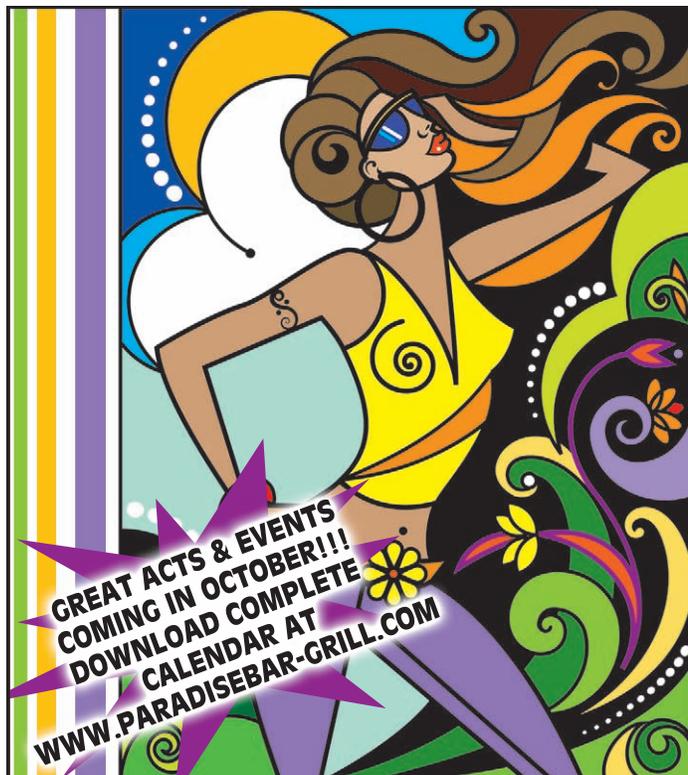
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Pensacola Beach Optimists President Joe Woodall, left, presents an appreciation of service award to the Beach Station 13. Escambia County Battalion Chief Patrick Grace, center, accepts the award. Beach Optimist Scott Neal coordinated the Appreciation Dinner held at the Cabana Club, September 8.



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### ACROSS

- 1 Somewhere out there
- 4 Decline
- 8 Benevolent organization
- 12 Altar affirmative
- 13 Shakespeare's river
- 14 Witticism
- 15 TV sleuth played by James Garner
- 17 "Do - others ..."
- 18 Recognized
- 19 Skirmish
- 20 Grounds-keeper's machine
- 22 Picnic hamperer
- 24 Sheltered
- 25 Competitions
- 29 Have a bug
- 30 Data
- 31 Go like a bunny
- 32 Shellfish
- 34 Twosome
- 35 Wan
- 36 Indistinctly
- 37 Senior moments?
- 40 Litigant
- 41 Not pre-recorded
- 42 Antisocial music style
- 46 "The Good Earth" heroine
- 47 Largest of

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- 8 Horse
- 30 Bother
- 48 Country singer David Allan -
- 9 It's good for a breather
- 33 Mourn
- 10 Friends and neighbors
- 34 Docking area
- 49 Raised ridge
- 11 Lady Macbeth's problem
- 36 "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" composer
- 50 Agts.
- 16 Leg part
- 51 "- Tiki"
- 19 Connptions
- 20 Oft-thanked one
- 37 Farm implement
- 21 Hodgepodge
- 22 Stallone role
- 38 Anger
- 23 Pismires
- 24 Evening Post" illustrator
- 39 Ellipse
- 40 Wield the scissors
- 25 Bread
- 26 St. Patrick's Day symbol
- 42 Links stat
- 43 Work with
- 44 Bill's partner
- 45 Barbie's companion
- 27 Drudgery
- 28 Agile



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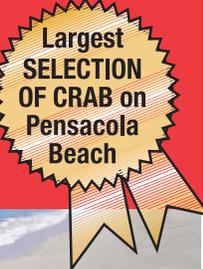
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