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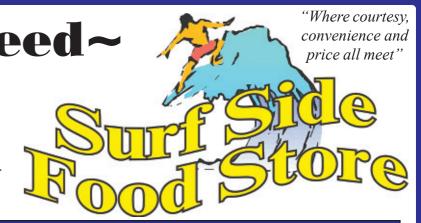
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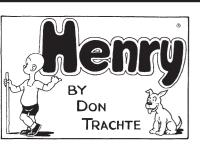
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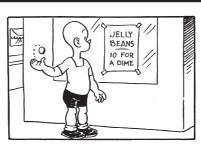
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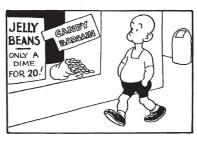
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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A vexing situation tempts you to rush to set it all straight. But it's best to let things sort themselves out so that you can get a better picture of the challenge you're facing.

perplexity. Be patient. You'll eventually get answers to help

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're moving from a relatively stable situation to one that appears to be laced with







GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Financial matters could create some confusion, especially with a torrent of advice pouring in from several sources. Resist acting on emotion and wait for the facts to emerge.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) That goal you've set is still in sight and is still in reach. Stay with the course that you're

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It might be time to confront a

on. Making too many shifts in direction now could create an-





I WONDER WHAT THE IMPROVEMENT COULD BE

trouble-making associate and demand some answers. But be prepared for some surprises that could lead you to make a change in some long-standing plans.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Congratulations. You're making great progress in sorting out all that confusion

that kept you from making those important decisions. You're







LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A difficult experience begins to ease. That's the good news. The not-so-good news is a possible complication that could prolong the problem awhile longer.







SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your self-confidence gets a much-needed big boost as you start to unsnarl that knotty financial problem. Expect some help from a surprising source.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Congratulations. Any lingering negative aftereffects from that not-sopleasant workplace situation are all but gone. It's time now to focus on the positive.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your self-confidence grows stronger as you continue to take more control of your life. Arrange for some well-earned fun and relaxation with someone special.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) As usual, you've been concerned more about the needs of others than your own. You need to take time for yourself so that you can replenish all that spent energy.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Stronger planetary influences indicate a growing presence of people eager to help you navigate through the rough seas that might mark your career course.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can balance emotion and logic, which gives you the ability to make choices that are more likely than not to prove successful.

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Amber Waves









by Dave T. Phipps

by Freddy Esposito

It's about waves...

People often ask me why there's such a connection between Art of Music and the art of Surfing. This is a great question. Okay, let's think basic science class 101.

The waves we ride in the oceans on our surfboards and the waves of sound and music we experience are exactly the same in many ways.

We ride waves that travel sometimes thousands of miles to reach us. As we catch these waves we harness their harmonic energy. We use our bodies and surfboards for climbing and dropping up and down the face of the wave, painting our own song as we go...forever changing our approach.

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You see, waves are repeating patterns of amplitude and frequency whether in the ocean, in the air - just like the light we see and the sounds we hear. The same rules apply across the board.

It's all math folks!

So what have we learned? Surfing and Music are the two art forms of science.

The two are connected in a very, very special way.

It's all about the waves!

Note: Now you can get an MP3 player that you can wear in the water, so you can jam out in the tube. How cool is that?

Stay safe. Stay Stoked. Go Surfing!



Walt Lumpkin bemoans the fact that he is only a part time resident on Pensacola Beach. He and his wife, Cindy sometimes have to leave the Beach to return to Marietta, GA. Walt says although the sunsets are free at The Market, to him they are priceless.



Chris Luchsinger was given a hero's send off by his Gulf Breeze neighbors last month when he reported for duty with his Army Reserve unit which was mobilized to Iraq. His family was so touched by the signs lining the street. The Luchsingers are (L to R) Madison, 11; Keegan, 8; and five-month-old Emma Faith is in his wife Daphne's arms. Chris and Daphne were both raised on Pensacola Beach.



NEVER IDLE - Pensacola Beach residents Mary Jo Tibbits, center, and Angela Moore, right, congratulate the American Idol, Taylor Hicks at a star studded event last month. The energetic Beach ladies are both officers in the Krewe of Bananimals.

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Fish Fear Them - The Lively Ladies ventured out into the warm Gulf waters to do what they do best - fish. Red Snapper was the catch of the day, but a six foot shark did give one angler a thrill. Bringing in a box full of fish to the Beach Marina on Sunday, September 24 are front row (L to R): Deb Friedman, Lynn Cieutat, Andrea Brunt, and Dee Riley. Anglers in the middle row include (L to R): Amy DePew, Jackie Henderson, Susie Mardis, Liz Hewson and Mary Jo Archer. Showing off one of the day's catch (background) are Tarsha Bechtol and Jeremy the Deckhand.



Who needs spell check? Not these middle school super spellers. Each year students compete in the Gulf Breeze Middle School Spelling Bee. Through an elimination format, the last person to correctly spell the selected word is crowned the champ. The GBMS Spelling Bee winners are front row (L to R): Beach School graduate Savannah Green, Landry Lowrimore, Taylor Marcum, and Jennifer Marcum. Winners in the back row are (L to R): Tyler Kendrick, Jay Martin, Blake Meredeth, April Joy Remitar, and Andrew Clark

That really bugs me



Beach Chamber Business After Hours was hosted by Accustaff at Paradise Bar and Grill September 26. Accustaff provides the Toll Booth personnel on Pensacola Beach. Getting to the serious business of giving away door prizes are (L to R): Accustaff owner Julie Wells, Toll Facility Manager Richard Butler, winner Yvonne Stomp of JME, and Betsy Lewis of Accustaff. Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commece Business After Hours will be at 5:30, Tuesday, October 31 at the Hampton Inn.



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Weeks Tops Champions Game

The players might bluff, but the cards don't lie. Winners are crowned each week on Pensacola Beach at the Texas Hold 'Em 4 Fun poker games which culminate in a monthly Champions Showdown at the Paradise Bar and Grill. The weekly winners for September - Michelle Bourgeois, Paul Jones, Janie Uzdevenes, Tex Atkinson, Tim Rinker, and J O Weeks - gathered at the soundside



JO Weeks

poker tables on Saturday, September 30. Capt. J.O. Weeks, Jr. stayed the course and waylaid the rest of the crew to win bragging rights.

John McNamara was second and Waldo Defindorfin was third

Weekly action at the waterfront poker scene puts players at the Paradise Bar and Grill on Monday nights. Tim Rinker battled to a hard fought win on September 25 with J.O. Weeks as the runner-up. The first day of October brought first time player Greg Smith to the table. He paired his Queens on the river to take out Matt Conway in an action packed night of cards on the beautiful Santa Rosa Sound.

The Pensacola Beach historic district hosts poker games midweek with Chris Snow, a visitor from Franklin, Indiana taking home top spot at The Islander Lounge's September 27 Texas Hold 'Em 4 Fun game. The following Wednesday, Karl "Dakota" Lutz from Pensacola road his cards to his first win with Tim Rinker playing to second place.

"The night air is cooling off and the action is heating up every week," said promoter Rick Uzdevenes. "Come out to play or come out to cheer - either way you are going to have a good time."

Everyone, 21 or older, is invited to play. There is no charge to play Texas Hold 'Em 4 Fun. No experience is necessary but a basic knowledge of the game is required. Games start at 7 p.m. Pensacola Beach time.

For more information or to purchase poker wear, email Rick Uzdevenes, salt20@mchsi.com.



DEALING DIVAS - It's never too early to learn the fine art of card playing especially when your grandparents are poker promoters Rick and Janie Uzdevenes. Lezea and Kylie Brown played this hot handed card game while camping in the desert near Superstition Mountain at Apache Junction, Arizona. Grandmother Janie was close by to instruct them on the finer points of card etiquette.







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By Danah & Gwen Gibson

Top make-up trends for fall

The "new" looks this fall seem to be retro-inspired, ranging from the glamorous 1950s through the oh-so tacky 1980s. Maybe I've just been around so long, I'm seeing everything come back again!

Personally, I really love all of these styles, so it's a great season for me.

#1 Red Lips. Nothing is sexier than a pair of luscious red lips. Find the shade that suits you. Pinky-red for fair or beige skin, golden or brick red for yellow or olive tones, and a true blue-red is good on just about everyone.

There are several ways to wear this look. For daytime, use a lip pencil to fill in your whole lip, then cover with a nice gloss. If you prefer lipstick instead, but the color is just too much, apply chapstick or gloss first, then your lipstick right on top. This will soften the color.

Always remember, if your lips are bold, keep the rest of your make-up neutral. You don't want to be a Tammy Faye look-alike.

#2 Winged Eyeliner. Use it for that 1960's Catwoman look! Love it. This look is achieved with liquid liner, which most women find difficult to use. I prefer it. Most products are waterproof and last longer.

Start at your inner eye and make small strokes at the base of your lashes. If you concentrate on this, the right amount will end up on your lid. For the winged effect, start on the outer third of your lid, right over the line you just drew and flatten the brush, and slant up until you run out of eye. A great compliment to your

#3 Bold Brows. Thin is out. Fat is in (yea!). Put down your tweezers and pick up a brow brush. Well groomed brows can make or break your look. Brow gel can keep them in place, as can a toothbrush and some hairspray. Your choice.

If they need filling in, powders are much more natural looking than pencil, and come in a variety of colors. If you're a redhead, pick a shade made for blondes. Have you ever seen a person with red eyebrows?

#4 Last, but not least. Loose Waves for your hair. People, hang up your flat irons, natural nonuniform waves are back. I could not be happier about this. Stickstraight hair, parted down the middle is for Marcia Brady. Let it be free and touchable. Go with the flow. If you have no wave, put a few curls in, run your fingers through it and go! What could be easier?

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'Tis The Season

It all starts with that first piece of candy corn, then, before you know it, the Christmas decorations are in the stores, and you start feeling the pressure and stress - Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Eve are bearing down on you. Family, friends, turkey dinner to prepare, Christmas gifts to buy and cards to send, work to be done, schedules to meet. Oh, yes, and, make time for you, your significant other and family, too. How will you ever get it all accomplished?

Start by gifting yourself! Give yourself the permission – the gift - of rejuvenating rest each night, and you'll have the energy and enthusiasm to take on every task, get every "to do" done in ample time, and enjoy the holiday season and those you love.

Surround yourself with comforting elegance in your master bedroom - your haven away from the craziness of daily life.

Consider your bedroom from the inside out. Surround yourself with natural fibers - a down mattress, pillows, mattress pads and duvets, covered by linen sheets, duvet covers, mattress covers, pillowcases and shams. Natural fibers allow your body to breathe in purity, with no harsh chemicals surrounding you as you rejuve-

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Each evening, allow yourself precious time to "wind down."

provide the foundation for daily

rest and a good night's sleep.

Whether taking a warm bath or shower, drinking a cup of decaffeinated herbal tea, or talking with your special someone, take a break of calmness before slipping into your bed. Taking the time to wind down will help clear your mind so that you can relax and enjoy a truly restful night's sleep, providing you with the energy you need to be your best the next day.

And, start 2007 off right, with a commitment to yourself to continue enjoying the gift of true rest, relaxation and rejuvenation. You'll feel better - mentally, spiritually, and physically - and enjoy life more when you join the "culture

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The LIZZARD'S TONGUE

by E.K. Hewson



It was 15 years ago this month that my husband, Harry, and I were married at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Gulf Breeze. After an hour-long ceremony blessed by both Father Kelley and Pastor Jack Forest from the United Church of Christ on the Beach, Harry and I began our journey as husband and wife. Our first stop was Flounder's for our reception followed by a night's stay at the executive suite high atop the Dunes Motel. The following morning we left for a two week surf adventure along the North Shore of Oahu, Hawaii.

While Harry surfed Pipeline, I read. While Harry surfed Pipeline, I snorkeled in Hanauma Bay compliments of the Turtle Bay Resort. While Harry surfed Pipeline, I worked on my tan. While Harry surfed Pipeline, I ran for miles on stretches of uninhabited sands. While Harry surfed Pipeline, I sat in our rented Jeep during a torrential rain storm watching Harry surf Pipeline. While Harry surfed Pipeline, I took pictures of him shredding and ripping. While Harry surfed Pipeline, I picked up loads of trash off the beach. While Harry surfed Pipeline, well you just fill in the blank. After about a week, we had to have a small discussion about Pipeline. Of course, then there was Sunset Beach.

What I eventually realized was that the surf is almost always good somewhere at the North

Shore in October and as a newly-wed I wasn't about to argue with the daily affirmation: "Perfect wife, perfect waves. What more could a guy ask for?" I guess I found some consolation in that I at least took top billing and that surfing is not exactly an after dark activity.

Throughout the past 15 years, Harry and I have gone on quite a few surf-ventures together. We've chased waves brought on by hurricanes, only to be a few hours too late or turned away from the water due to lightning. Many of our surfaris involved camping on the beach in Baja, Mexico. Meaning I would stay back, guard the camping gear and watch the dogs, while Harry went surfing. Can anyone say, "Dos cervezas, por favor?"

We've even traveled back to Oahu where we stayed in the total touristy section of Waikiki, but somehow always found ourselves back at the North Shore and once even as spectators at a professional big wave surfing contest. At least the last two times, I had our son, Har, to keep me company.

So last weekend when we celebrated our 15th anniversary with a mini-vacation to Atlantic Beach, NC, I decided to take matters into my own hands. I watched my husband lug his overly long longboard to the shore, get it all waxed and stand it upright against his shoulder

imitating the classic 1964 picture of Greg Noll checking out the magnificently large waves at where else, but Pipeline. Before he could size up the next set of two-foot waves, I grabbed the board like I was a wild wahine on a mission with a little Gidget thrown in for good measure.

Next thing I knew I was knee paddling my way out and getting myself into position to catch a wave, walk the nose, hang ten. Like the song says, "catch a wave and you're sitting on top of the world." Okay, so maybe it took a little practice and some coaching from Harry before I was standing and not falling off in three seconds or less. I even managed to walk the nose and hang ten once or twice. By day's end, Harry had come to accept the fact that I surf goofy foot and I paddle with both arms at the same time. I came to realize that surfing is not only good for the body, it's good for the soul.

Just like the rise and fall of waves, marriage has its ups and downs. And after 15 years and counting, it's just a great feeling to still be Harry's surfer girl. He will always be my Big Kahuna. Until next time...

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Pensacola Beach Woman's Club members never forget a birthday. Birthday girls (L to R) Shelby Smith, Dot Kress, Bette Sprague, and Ruby Mantooth shared cake during the lunch and business meeting, Thursday, September 21 at the Beach Church. Members also participated in a school supply drive to benefit local children. The next meeting will be a pot luck luncheon Thursday, October 19 at Our Lady of Assumption's Hunt Hall.

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By Candace Segar

Blast From The Past - Kid Rings Up Million Pinball Points With Stereo Music Blaring

We have an old 1960's Dimension pinball machine at our house. It belongs to my husband Ralph, better known as Uncle. And let me tell you that the new electronic pinball machines don't hold a candle, in my opinion, to the old mechanical types. It has whistles and bells and colors and action. It is enthralling.

Well my nephew, McFlye takes pinball to a whole new dimension. First of all, no pinball game can be played properly unless the Pinball Wizard song is blasting from the Who's Tommy album. And the song is played over and over and over again especially when McFlye hits his hot streak. Once the side markers are all down on both sides, free ball mania begins.

Our pinball wizard, McFlye, goes into a frenzy using me (his Aunt Duckie) as a stand in, so he can take a well-deserved break.

If that isn't enough as he

madly heads towards a million points, he starts to set up challenges on top of the pinball machine. Yes, you read it correctly and heard it first in *Island Times*, challenges and obstacles.

What kind of challenges? Lego armies set up, weaving in and out atop the glass on the pinball machine, obscuring vision and making a player wonder whether the flippers are hitting the ball or not. It's now a game of suspense and challenge!

McFlye resorts to sound to track the weaving and winding of the ball. And then as it becomes a nail biter, he adds more armies! Yet, I hear myself yell, "score!"

Success follows. McFlye scores over one million points. Does he let success go to his head? No way! He is thinking up more challenges for his next game on the vintage pinball machine while I get the Who album and record player ready.



Bookworms are not an endangered species on Pensacola Beach. Steve Cox, curator of the Northwest Florida Regional Library System's Bookmobile says avid readers are plentiful on the Island and he is ready to fill their needs. The Bookmobile arrives at the Pensacola Beach Community Church parking lot each Tuesday morning from 10 until noon. The decorated bus has a selection for all ages and Steve can bring requested titles to the Beach for his patrons. Sandi Johnson, left, is picking up a little light reading before heading home to Portofino.



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Pensacola Beach Recycling Center was officially christened Tuesday, Oct. 3 by (L to R) Dr. Chuck Randle, pastor Pensacola Beach Community Church; Jim Cox, Pensacola Beach Optimist Club, and SRIA General Manager Buck Lee. The Recycling Center is located near Cowley Park, just east of the Beach School. Residents should save and sort glass, plastic, cans and paper for recycling.

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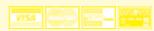
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Vintage or Modern - Life's A Vette

As classic automobiles go, Corvettes are among the classiest. And, Saturday, October 21, spectators can get a close up view of more than one hundred Corvettes at the third annual Miracle Strip Corvette Club's "Life's A Vette" show. The show, on Casino Beach, is open to the public from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at no charge.

Corvette registration will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 10 a.m. Trophies will be presented at 3 p.m. The after-the-show party will be at Flounder's.

"We will have Corvettes from the 1950s through 2006 on display in the Casino Beach parking lot next to the water tower," Rick Gordon, Beach resident and show coordinator said. "The show's purpose is number one to

School Drives Toward Goals

Have you always wanted to own a school bus? Now is your chance. The original Pensacola Beach Elementary School bus has been retired and is for sale. Call the school for details.

Students will be enjoying cool rides to and from school in their new air conditioned bus.

The date of the annual Fall Festival was announced at the PBES, Inc. Board meeting on Monday, September 25. The public is invited to the school event which will be October 27.

The principal, Jeff Castleberry, reported that the Beach School is just doing great.

"We have a new building, and new volunteers," he said. "I am pleased that we are where we are, but we are going to strive for improvement."

Fourth grade teacher, Susan McLeod, gave the teachers' report and updated the Board on the writing program which has been adopted at the Beach School.

The school offers parent-student writing workshops and tutoring sessions. Currently, all students take an Escambia Writes test and fourth grade students take a Florida Writes exam to assess yearly performance.

An amended budget presented by Chris Bayer, treasurer, was approved by the Board. The budget reflects a surplus due to revenues from increased enroll-

School governing board meetings are open to the public. The next meeting is at 6 p.m. on October 23 at the school.

have some fun, meet others who are Corvette enthusiasts, show off your favorite Corvette, and raise funds for Covenant Hospice."

Rick said the first Corvette was manufactured in 1953 and the oldest Vette expected at the show is a 1957.

Most of the Corvettes will be driven to the show, according to Rick. "Corvette owners are drivers," Rick said. "These cars are just so much fun to drive. Very few arrive on trailers."

Owning a Corvette is not necessarily a macho male thing. Rick estimates that women comprise forty percent of the membership of the Miracle Strip Corvette Club.

Although Corvettes were popular among Beach residents because they are rust resistant, Rick's car is the only one entered, so far, in the local show. Nan Harper who is frequently seen cruising around the Beach in her Vette, does not know if her car

will be out of the shop in time for the show. "My car is having a nose job," Nan said.

A few years ago, before she retired, Molly McGuire drove her beloved Irish green Corvette everywhere. If she still had it, her car would be a star in the show.

Rick said the show would include an exhibit from the National Corvette Museum, located in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

All Corvettes are manufactured in one plant in Bowling

Green. Rick said his Corvette was picked up at the factory just the same as those fancy folks who came from Europe to get their cars.

Entry fee to participate in the show is \$20 which includes a t-shirt, dash plaque and one door prize ticket.

Show sponsors work far ahead, and have already announced that the Life's A Vette show will be May 7, 2007 at the Casino Beach parking lot.

SRIA Evaluates Fourteen Studies Implementation Plans Considered

The Santa Rosa Island Authority does not lack plans, visions, recommendations or studies all aimed in the direction Pensacola Beach should go, beginning in 1984, and running into the future. What the Authority does lack is the implementation of the concepts contained in the documents.

Dave Hemphill, Baskerville Donovan Engineers, presented the results of his review of the ideas in 14 different documents at the October 4 SRIA Committee Meetings.

"I was asked to evaluate these studies because the SRIA wanted to find out if we needed another study or if we could dust off some of these, look backward, look forward, and gain some insight," Dave said.

He noted that the 1988 Wallace, Roberts and Todd Comprehensive Land Use Plan was a solid document. He also said there was a common thread in many of the studies.

Bill Griffith, chairman of the Development and Leasing Committee recommended reviewing Daye's work.

"Let's take a look at what Dave has done here," he said. "I think we have enough information without another study."

Bill suggested that the Board look at what has been implemented and what needs to be implemented.

"We can make a list of priorities and see if there is any money to fund the action," Bill said.

Dr. Tom Campanella commented that he felt the SRIA has already attained some of the goals set forth in the studies.

"Short of financial setbacks

and storms we have done a good job with this," he said.

Results of the SRIA evaluation of the Hemphill presentation will be on the November 1 Committee Meeting agenda.

Residents and visitors will soon know where and when civic organizations and churches meet on the island since the Board gave conceptual approval to a 6.5 by 10 foot road sign, naming each organization with date, time and place of meetings. The design and placement of the sign will be determined by the Authority.

Walls of sand which residents are building as hurricane protection are springing up on the Beach. The SRIA's concern with some of the berms is that they are encroaching on public land. This item will be held until November. A new survey will be needed to see if these sand walls are extending into public access.

Dave Hemphill brought a sample of the lighting system proposed for Ft. Pickens Road. The lighting is turtle friendly, but the SRIA will decide whether to light the entire roadway or just the bike path.

Progress on rebuilding and demolition at the Tiki Motel and Holiday Townhouses came before the Board.

Jim Reeves, one of the owners, told the Board he was waiting to see if one of the buildings at the Tiki could be rebuilt rather than demolished. Once that decision has been made, he will present his proposal to the Island Authority. The Holiday Townhouse property's future, which is zoned motel or residential, is under consideration as well. Reeves asked for, and was

granted, a thirty day extension on

proposals for both properties.

Possibilities for a bait shop and restaurant at the Gulf Fishing Pier are in limbo as Chris Cadenhead reported that the Health Department required more square footage if the two businesses were in one building. Also, parking restrictions would limit the size of the restaurant to a capacity of 28 seats which Cadenhead said was not

feasible

The Board will revisit this item along with additional parking at Quietwater Beach parking lot at their November Committee Meeting.

Santa Rosa Island Authority Committee Meetings will be Wednesday, November 1 at the SRIA office on Via de Luna. The meetings which start at 5 p.m. are open to the public.

Tee Up For Legion Post Charities

Dust Off Your Putter For Beach Tourney

If you're a real duffer or a real pro, there's a place for you in the Sixth Annual Putt Putt Golf Outing, sponsored by the Pensacola Beach American Legion Post 379. This year's event will be at Island Golf and Games (next door to Crab's) on October 14. Registration begins at 10 a.m. and tee off time is 11 a.m. Registration fee is \$10 per person

"Players can form their own foursome or we will put individual entrants on a team," Chuck L'Oignon, Post Commander, said.

Prizes will be awarded to

first, second and third in each flight and also for those getting a hole-in-one.

Children and adults are welcome to play, but youngsters under 14 must play on a team with at least one parent, according to Chuck.

All proceeds go to the Legion Post's charities including the Veterans' Nursing Home, Boys State, Veterans Hospital Christmas Party, and a number of others

Players can register in advance at the Pensacola Beach Visitor's Center. For more information call Chuck at 572-2981.

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Barefoot on the Beach

Does time really ever stand still? Does time really fly when you're having fun? I thought a lot about time recently when my daughter, Liz and grandson Harry arrived for a ten day visit. Ten whole days! It seemed like it would be such a nice, long leisurely time.

But, there was so much for Liz and Harry to do.

All the family gathered the day they arrived to get them off to a running start. And, run they did. Harry went off with his Aunt Candy who had planned days of Lego building, shopping, movie watching and plenty of other activities, all geared to entertain her eight-year-old nephew.

Liz spent her first night on the island with her sister Shelley and about 40 biker chicks at their annual slumber party. From then on, it was all non-stop. Liz managed to link up with all her old beach friends at lunches and cocktails. She played poker with the Beach's Texas Hold 'Em 4 Fun gang, fished offshore with the Lively Ladies, and went to Blues on the Beach. She was the original whirling dervish from sun up until she at last found time to call it a night.

Finally, the whole family got together to spend an afternoon at the Seafood Festival. And then, it was Monday night, and the New Orleans Saints were playing on national television. All of us former Orleanians had really looked forward to the game, never anticipating such an incredible finish. It was the final night of Liz and Harry's vacation.

Suddenly, it was Tuesday morning. Liz and Harry packed up, climbed in their car to drive to the airport, and waved goodbye. Poof! Just like that. The ten days had evaporated like a fleeting dream.

Time is supposed to be standard, unchangeable, day in and night out, as the earth rotates around the sun. I have news for this spinning planet where we live, time is a capricious pirate. Time is fickle. The unscientific proof is tabulated in Jane's time table. See chart below.

You can't hold time in your hand. You can't keep it in a bottle. You can't make it go backward. You can't push it forward. So, it's best to follow the advice of the wisest philosophers of the ages. "Savor the moment."

Time is like a debit card. You have twenty-four hours in your possession every day to use any way you want. Some of your time By Jane Waters Cooper

is already dedicated to work or school, eating and sleeping, getting caught in traffic snarls and mowing the lawn. Mostly, the rest of the hours are yours.

You can fly to the moon, waltz with the penguins in Antarctica, help build a Habitat house, hug your kids, spend a few minutes with an elderly neighbor, baby sit for a younger neighbor, or just hang out.

The hours are yours to keep for one who day. You can squander them, create fabulous paintings, write heart rendering poetry, dance, sing, or tell jokes.

And, here I am, already looking forward to Liz's next visit. I don't know when it will be, so I need to find a whole lot of fun to make the time fly. However, I must calm down and count my blessings. I'll follow the ways of those ancient who sit around with their legs crossed beneath them. "Ah go forth and smell the roses along the pathway of life."

First, I have to take time to see if any roses are blooming on Pensacola Beach. If I don't find them, I guess I'll just stop and smell the Panic Grass.

JANE'S TIME TABLE

Event Time

Sixteen Minutes

One Week

Fifteen Hours

Three Hours

Two Hours

Twenty-Six Years

Weekend in DisneyWorld Two Days

Lying on the Beach in June

SRIA Meeting

Dentist's Chair

Acapulco Honeymoon

Driving Across Texas

Living on Pensacola Beach

Two Hours and Ten Minutes

Speed of Light

Are we there yet? Are we there yet? Are we there yet?

Did Mickey Mouse turn the clocks forward?

Help, I've been lobsterized. I was only out there 15 minutes.

Feels Like

It has to be later than 7 o'clock

Only yesterday

Nightly

Letters To The Editor

MORE INDIAN MOMENTS

As always I eagerly await the arrival of my Island Times. I open and immediately turn to Jane's Barefoot on the Beach. This week imagine my surprise on the subject. It must be Kis-

I, too, have a special story which Jane helped me to find stuck in my mother board, my memory bank in the brain.

Maybe my fascination with the Indian cultures lifestyles etc... began as a child of 6 or 7 at a large family reunion held in Idaho. My fantastic beloved outgoing fun Auntie Barbara would grab me, sit me in her lap, and tell me wondrous stories of me being an Indian Princess. I believe the love continued or deepened when watching television with my father, you know, the old westerns and I always rooted for the Indians. Why didn't they ever

win?

My awakening followed me through life when in a high school history class, we had to do a project selecting two Indian tribes. My project was a success with the help of two great parents. My funny dad who finally learned how to work with paper mache' instead of saws, nails, etc. made the Hopi village. You know they built their homes on cliffs and the remains are still out west. Then it came time for the verbal and I got to Chief Joseph and all I could do is cry.

Never got to tap dance with an Indian Chief.

Please keep telling your stories. Hugs and kisses to my beach family. With the help of Island Times the stories will go on and the connection will stay in tact, and for that I am grate-

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BESTLITTLE YACHT CLUB

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YIPEE YI O

Jackie Henderson took her son, Thomas and his buddy, Matt Schang, to Arkansas during their recent school break to visit Jackie's mother. Matt outfitted himself for the trip to the "northwest" with a cowboy hat, boots and overalls.

ITALIAN HOLIDAY

Beth and David Morgan of Pensacola Beach and Baton Rouge have returned from a vacation in Italy. They drove the backroads and savored wine tasting and feasting in quaint old Italian villages.

SOUTHFLORIDAALERT

Batten down the hatches. Lock up the kegs. Clear the streets for action. A South Florida wind is blowing Lenny and Murph back to the Beach for a five day blowout. Headquarters will be at Bobby D's and the Shaker. Go find them. They will be waiting.

BEACH WHO DATS

Did you happen to notice that Conner Cagle and Jim and Lila Cox were among the 70,000 spectators at Monday Night Football? The thrill of a Saints fan's lifetime was watching the team rack up 23 points against a powerful Atlanta team. Geaux, Saints.

PANIC, ANYONE?

Poker mogul, Rick Uzdevenes, wants to know if we should panic over the discovery that Panic Grass is sprouting in Beach dunes. Who knows? Would a plant by any other name be acceptable?

BIRTHDAY STORM PREDICTION

Stormy Gale is brewing up a Category Five birthday party and wants all her friends to come to The Islander Lounge, Saturday, October 21 at 8 p.m. Stormy's likes to blow out some candles and raise a little money for charity every year. She says that's the best present anyone could receive.

WEEKEND IN ALABAMA

Christy Jones spent a recent weekend in Anniston visiting her family. She hates to leave her Beach family but she had a list of relatives - Chris, Buffi and James, Maleia, Malichai, Matthew, and her mom - who all wanted to see her. How did she fit all that into one weekend?

NEWMEETING PLACE

Chrissy Cook, president of the Pensacola Beach Woman's Club has announced that the group will meet at noon on the third Thursday of the month at Hunt Hall in Our Lady of the Assumption Mission on Pensacola Beach. New faces are welcome.

SWIMMING SUMMER

Summer Schuler learned to swim on Pensacola Beach. The high school student is now breezing by the competition as a member of the Gulf Breeze High School Swim Team. Summer lives on the island with her parents Vicki and Charlie Schuler.

ELKSROAM FREE ON BEACH

Where will you find them?

• TRIVIA • TRIVIA • TRIVIA • TRIVIA

A few wrong guesses made their way to our trivia box in answer to last issue's question until Sandi Johnson emailed the correct answer. We moved into the political arena and came up with this question, "What is the name of the Florida Senator-Elect who ran unopposed in District 4?" The correct answer is Don Gaetz. Sandi, who lives in Portofino, gets the Island Times t-shirt.

District 4 includes Pensacola Beach so the new Senator will be overseeing Island constituents. He lives in Niceville with his wife Vicky, and children Erin and Matt. We're sticking with politics, again, this week. "Who is the self-styled Mayor of Pensacola Beach whose office is a chair in the sand at Casino Beach?" (Clue: He frequently holds meetings with bikini clad ladies.) To win the t-shirt, be the first to email the correct answer.

Rules are the same.

Email your answer with "Trivia" in the subject line to islandtimes@bellsouth.net before 5 p.m. October 18. Be sure to include your name and phone number.

Students Log Onto Weekly Awards

The Computer Lab is a new amenity at the Beach School, but the students are responding to the lessons like old pros.

"Students are excelling in the Computer Lab which offers software lessons to compliment their classwork," said computer teacher Monika Springer.

Techno-savvy Beach School kids who were chosen as Computer Lab Students of the Week on September 15 are: Kindergarten Hannah May; first grade, Blair Amberson; second grade, Shelby Dunne; third grade, Marley Taylor; fourth grade, Katt Crowdis, and fifth grade Drew Holk. Students of the Week tapped on September 22 are Kindergarten, Thomas Niven; first grade, Zosia Uszok; second

grade, Daniel Green; third grade, Maguire Foreste; fourth grade, Ian Price, and fifth grade, Gunnar Knost. Students are recognized for hard work and good citizenship in the computer lab.

Beach School student Colin Hightower, who has a special knack for working with computers, is the official computer tech assistant to Mrs. Springer.

"Colin has been my helper for two years. The kid is amazing. I am very proud and grateful for his help in the computer lab, " said Monika.



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Islanders Respond To SRIA Abolition Attempt

KEEPSRIA

We should keep the SRIA as it is the only buffer between the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) and the Beach. Mike Whitehead is no stranger to Islanders. He has tried to take control of the Beach when he was first elected to the BCC some years ago and is at it again. He is an egomaniac. He will do anything to keep his name visible in any way that he can; good or bad. Remember the huinting trip? Tona De Mers (PBRLA President) is for incorporation. I agree with her. I was one of the people who worked on Incorporation some years back and remember Whitehead's comment, at one time, when he said to one of our members, "I dare you". He wants to control this island so badly that he will do anything, even break the law, to get control.

The SRIA has done a good job. It is in a unique position, that no matter what the members do, there will always be someone who will disagree with some of their decision on certain issues. That's the nature of the beast. As for as incorporating the beach in a city, the work has already been done and it is the only way that we can become independent of the BCC. We took a poll back then and 90% of the islanders voted for incorporation. Whitehead wants the revenue so that he can make his constituency benefit. He is typical of a small-time politician. He gets a little power and then tries to gobble as much as he can. Don't be fooled by his rhetoric. It's all for Whitehead and no one else. Folks, he'll drop you like a hot potato if it suits his purpose.

Joe Barron Pensacola Beach

POWER GRAB

I would like to comment on the recent attempt by the Escambia County Commission to abolish the Santa Rosa Island Authority

This effort is a political power grab, plain and simple!!! There is no practical reason to consider eliminating the SRIA. There is, however, a political agenda. Ask yourself why is "a county comissioner" proposing this course of action? Why is the issue to eliminate the SRIA?

The SRIA is performing its mandate. It can and should do better, but it's working. Where is the outcry from beach residents

and leaseholders?

Where are the articles in local news media reporting gross incompetence? How about corruption? Have our political leaders voiced concern expressed by their constituents that the SRIA is mishandling its responsibilities, abusing its authority? Where is the concensus from those of us who are directly dealing with the SRIA? Do you see what is obvious? There is no indication that the SRIA is under attack by its consitiuents.

These things are not evident. There is no motivation to fix a problem. So, we have to conclude that this decision comes from those who are not using due diligence, not guided by popular demand, and not acting on behalf of those of us who call Pensacola Beach home. You have to ask yourself, where did this issue come from?

When decisions are made

without due diligence, it means that those decisions are made because they are part of an agenda or made in ignorance.

Someone decides a course of action based on their own personal agenda and not on the rational merits imposed by due diligence. This is what's happening.

It is not a difference of opinion. It is not ignorance!

Consider the recent effort by the county to tax improvements on leased property which the county owns on Pensacola Beach. If the county were to win this suit, what would their next move be? Maybe they would try to build out the beach to maximize revenue from property taxes. When I say build out, I mean change zoning and densities and rout the beach as we know it. If the county also took direct control of the beach, wouldn't it be able to implement a new Comprehensive Land Use Plan?

Now, let's talk about "a county commissioner". I've never met the man and I have no personal axe to grind. So, I can not say with certainty what his motivation is, but I can deduct from the situation some observations about potential outcomes. If the SRIA were to be abolished, the county would assume direct control over the level of service to beach leaseholders. It would assume direct control of all revenues generated by Pensacola Beach. So, the county could make the decision to minimize service levels and increase revenue to maximize the net contribution to the county.

With county coffers flush with property taxes, with control over development, with control over service levels, with control over appraisals, and with control over millage rates, what would motivate the county to adopt a

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moderate growth plan? How would "a county commissioner"s political base react to more money for his district? Would it make him more popular? Would it make him more powerful? Would that concentrated power make a better candidate for higher political of-fice?

In summary, I see nothing good, for the beach, coming from abolishing the SRIA. I do see the threat of destroying the beach. We should all object to this course of action and invite all beach lovers to strongly voice your concerns.

Johnny Johnson Pensacola Beach

GOOD COVERAGE

Great job on the coverage of the SRIA. I'd be interested in what kind of response you get.

Thanks for everything, Lila S. Cox Pensacola Beach



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peas, porridge a dry martini by kathi lewis

I certainly got the wonderful weather I have been asking for. And what a lovely night for Lynn Cieutat's September 29 birthday celebration. My grandson, Jesiah, shares Lynn's birthday, so this was the first time I was able to celebrate with her, since we had Jesiah's celebration on Saturday. That also coincided with the Dee Lambert's SOB Bridal Shower, which I cohostessed. Dee is Deb Friedman's daughter. So, I had quite the busy week and weekend, but I managed to attend ev-

Sam Magee was a superb captain on their new pontoon boat, where she very smoothly carried us from the Elks Lodge, past the awesome sunset, under the bridge and to Paradise Bar. Once we arrived at the dock behind Paradise, a very sweet young man named Tyler assisted in catching and tying off lines for the boat.

After some entertainment and food, we sailed back to the Elks so that Captain Sam could participate in the celebration that continued through several beach bars and back to Paulette Provost's until late into the night. We may be older, but we still got it! (We just don't know what or where it is!)

Okay, so I'm exhausted and I have a lot still to do; such as painting my house. It's an absolute thrill to see Tony and Pam Scott, next door, moving into their new home after living in FEMA trailers!

I would also like send two very special "Happy Birthday" wishes to Deb Friedman and Marie Steele.

There was a little confusion on when the relatives were

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coming but we've worked it out for this weekend. Yea, the cavalry is on the way!

This also brings us to this week's recipe, since it's one I would love for my sister Gail to cook for us.

First, I have to tell you about someone who said to me, "You put a recipe into every one of your columns!"

I replied that indeed I did, it is a cooking column. I know I disguise it well, sometimes. We laughed and laughed. Everyone needs to laugh more! But it's a cooking column, so, let's cook....

Cream Cheese Puff

2 packages Crescent Rolls 2 pkgs. Cream cheese (softened) 1 egg

3/4 Cup sugar 1 tsp. vanilla

GLAZE:

½ Cup powdered sugar 2 to 3 tsp. milk 1 tsp. butter flavoring (if desired)

Line 8 X8 baking pan with one pack of crescent rolls, pinching seams to close. Mix cream cheese, egg, sugar and vanilla thoroughly. Pour and spread over crescent rolls. Use second package of crescent rolls to make a crust on top of mixture, again pinching seams. Bake at 350 degrees until golden brown (approx. 15 to 20 minutes) Combine ingredients for glaze and pour over warm Cream

Enjoy, share with a neighbor. Join the Krewe of Wrecks and I'll see you in the kitchen...



Melanie Waite wears many hats - mom, grandmother, Beach turtle monitor, Mardi Gras Queen and educator. She hung up her teacher's hat on September 29 after forty years in education. A reception in her honor was hosted at Gulf Breeze Middle School where she always was a friendly face to the Pensacola Beach students. Melanie says she might just be the Beach Bum of the Year next year.

The Sisters of the Beach showered Deanna Lambert with love and good wishes at her September 30 wedding shower. She donned the traditional hat made from ribbons and bows for good luck. Mom Deb Friedman and a group of the beach sisters will travel to South Carolina for the November 10 wedding.

Deanna is a graduate of Pensacola Beach Elementary School and Gulf Breeze High School.





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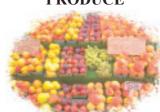
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HE'S UP TO PAR

Dennis Remesch, Realtor with Re/Max on the Coast, has been elected to the Pensacola Association of Realtors Board of Directors. Energetic Dennis says he's ready to serve.

THE REAL THING

The Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce is welcoming the newest member, Jana Price of Coca Cola. She was introduced at last month's business meeting.

MORE TOWERS

The Beach's latest towers at the Hilton Garden Inn will be completed by May 15, 2007, according to Kim Jernigan in the Hilton's marketing department.

GREAT INFORMATION

John Pinzino, Island Realty, called to voice his appreciation for all the details on the SRIA in the last issue of Island Times. "Best paper so far," John said.

FIFTEEN YEARS OF GOOD HAIR DAYS

Don't be surprised if you see Danah's Hair Studio girls dancing in the streets on October 11. They will be celebrating fifteen years of beautifying beach women and trimming beach guys.

FRIEND TO YOUTH

Island Times fishing colum-

nist Pete Della Ratta is trying to get kids hooked on good things like fishing and community spirit. Pete, athletic director at Woodlawn Beach Middle School, was recognized by the Gulf Breeze Optimist Club for his efforts. He was awarded the Outstanding Service Award for organizing Junior Optimist Clubs in Gulf Breeze.

GET WRECKED

Let the good times roll onto Pensacola Beach! The Krewe of Wrecks will kick off the Mardi

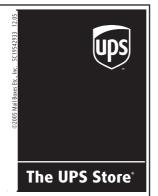
Gras season Monday, October 30 at Bobby D's at 6:30. Costumes encouraged.

GOOD-BYE GUARDS

The Pensacola Beach lifeguards will pack up their sun bleached towers until next spring according to Bob West, manager SRIA Safety Department. The last day for lifeguards in the towers will be Sunday, October 22. There will still be two lifeguards on duty to change the surf warning flags and respond to emergencies.

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Journey To Road Repair Completion Through National Seashore Slow Going

Pensacola Beach residents who have been looking forward to hearing an announcement that road rebuilding would soon start on County Road 399 to Navarre and the roadway into Fort Pickens will have a long wait in front of them.

Colleen M. Castille, secretary of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, sent an update on rebuilding the roads in the Gulf Islands National Seashore locations to Buck Lee, general manager of the Santa Rosa Island Authority.

"Unfortunately it does not look too promising at this time," Buck said.

The first segment of Escambia County Road 399 is projected to open to the public from Navarre Beach to Opal Beach as early as April of 2007. The section from Pensacola Beach to Opal Beach will be open at about the same time to emergency vehicles only. The scheduled date for the reopening of the road from Pensacola Beach to Opal Beach is the Spring of 2008.

"After Ivan 399 was open to everyone within 8 months," Buck said. "Now, we are looking at three years from the time Hurricane Dennis destroyed the road until its opening."

The report by Mollie Palmer, DEP deputy chief of staff, was sent to Deena Reppen, DEP chief of staff. The report follows:

This is an update on the Department of Environmental Protection's efforts to support road rebuilding and beach renourishment at Gulf Islands National Seashore.

Summary:

Sections of the road in Gulf Islands National Seashore on Santa Rosa Island were destroyed by several storms in 2004 and 2005. The Fort Pickens area (located west of Pensacola Beach) and the Santa Rosa area (located between Pensacola Beach and Navarre Beach) roads remains

Over the past year, DEP has worked with the National Park Service (NPS) to encourage them to allow a beach renourishment/dune restoration project that would not only provide a healthy beach system, but also provide sufficient protection for a rebuilt roadway. Should the Navy dredge Pensacola Pass, we would have 8,000,000 cubic yards of sand available

Although the NPS initially did not want a beach

renourishment project, preferring to "let nature take its course" and initially agreed to placement of only 500,000 cubic yards of sand on their beach, they have more recently agreed to 2,600,000 cubic yards. However, they have not agreed to allow the placement of this material in front of the damaged roadways. DEP staff continues efforts to convince NPS to allow this material to be used to protect the roadway.

On June 2, the Federal High-

way Administration notified the NPS that they would not fund road work at the National Seashore without a minimum amount of hardened underground protection.

I also recently learned from Navy Regional Southeast that the Navy no longer plans to dredge Pensacola Pass. Nevertheless, we intend to continue the permitting process for the Pass dredging and beach renourishment so the Navy/Corps will have a permit in hand should they decide to dredge the pass in the future or for periodic maintenance dredging.

BACKGROUND:

In September 2005, Secretary Castille contacted Fran Mainella encouraging the NPS to consider some level of beach and/or dune restoration, which DEP believes would provide sufficient protection for a rebuilt road. Secretary Castille directed DEP staff to work with the Gulf Islands National Seashore and other parties to support rebuilding of the road.

Beginning in fall 2005, DEP participated in a Corps of Engineers working group on the dredging of Pensacola Pass, which would provide a sand source for beach and dune renourishment at the National Seashore

On March 10, 2005, Secretary Castille sent a letter to Fran Mainella asking about the parks road rebuilding progress, requesting that the NPS reassess the benefits of placing sand on the beach within the national seashore and offering assistance in repairing the road.

In March, I talked to the National Seashore superintendent about our desire for beach renourishment and support for the road rebuilding.

DEP staff has met several times with National Seashore staff to brief them on the benefits of beach renourishment. These meetings have resulted in the NPS agreeing to accept more sand on their beach. Staff is hopeful that the NPS will allow beach placement on Santa Rosa Island to protect the Ft. Pickens roadway. However, there will not be sufficient sand to protect the road between Navarre Beach and Pensacola Beach.

Should the Navy decide to dredge in the future and the NPS accept beach renourishment, DEP will work with the Federal Highway Administration to document to them that a beach renourishment program would

provide sufficient protection to the roadway with out a seawall.

DEP will continue to work with all parties to support beach renourishment and road rebuilding at Gulf Islands National Seashore.

Junkanoos Roll Out The Barrel

Members of the Krewe of Junkanoo are the first to jump aboard the Mardi Gras train by throwing an Octoberfest Party at the Sandshaker Lounge, Saturday, October 14, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

There will be a great selection of German foods, and barrels of beer. Oom pah music will be by Boogie, Inc.

"We're going to mix the spirit of Mardi Gras and the fun of Octoberfest together to come up with an exciting Junkanoo festival," said Marcia Wiles, speaking on behalf of the Krewe.

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Nation's Athletes Swarm Pensacola Beach

800 Competitors Arrive in November

Members of the Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce heard an exciting presentation at their September 26 business meeting, when Richard Berg, University of West Florida athletic director and Ray Palmer, executive director of the Pensacola Sports Association, gave a preview of the NCAA Division II Fall Festival, which will be held November 14-19. Seventy teams totaling 800 athletes from all over the United States will make Pensacola Beach their Olympic style village during the competition.

Opening ceremonies will be at Seville Square in Pensacola with a parade of athletes, live entertainment and exhibits.

"Athletes will compete in cross country running, field hockey, volleyball and soccer," Berg said. "Also, they will work on a number of Habitat for Humanity homes while they are here."

Palmer estimates the economic impact of the event locally at \$1,181,750. This figure is from the athletes only and does not include parents, fans and support groups.

Closing ceremonies will be at Flounder's on November 19 from 7 to 10 pm. The ceremony

will include a fireworks display, live bands, and entertainment.

Anyone who wants to sign up as a volunteer to help during the competition can do so on October 19 at Seville Quarter. Details on ticket sales will be announced.

In their regular business meeting, Sandy Johnston, Chamber executive director, announced that Blues on the Beach would continue on Tuesday nights through October.

Chamber membership is open to businesses and also to individuals. For membership information and applications, call Sandy Johnston at 850-932-1500.

The next business meeting is at 8:30 at the Comfort Inn on Tuesday, October 31. Business After Hours is the same day at 5:30 p.m. at the Hampton Inn.



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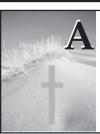
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Somewhere I read that those who forecast hurricanes have predicted that there will be just one more major hurricane this season. That's good news for those of us who live on the coastal areas. There has been a lot of good news lately - people in the hospital who have been given encouraging news; one of our local celebrities going to do a ten-week show in Las Vegas:

the four lane highway work to be completed in early 2007; recycling will be a reality on the beach; and many of the homes and businesses on Pensacola Beach will be ready for occupancy during 2007.

October is not necessarily known for being a "good news month" - we can be grateful and hope that November and December follow suit.

Beach School Hosts Fall Festival

It's coming back, bigger and better than ever. The Pensacola Beach Elementary School Fall Festival is returning to the school grounds on October 27 from 5 to 7 p.m. and it will be a premier event, according to Festival Committee member Katie Cronin.

"We want to invite the entire community," Katie said. "We want everyone to know that we are planning an awesome silent auction.'

There will be something for

everyone including the famous beach barbecue by Wally Pecevich. There will be several large inflatable slides, a moon walk and obstacle course.

"No festival is complete with out a clown and a cake walk," Katie said. "Of course, we will have lots and lots of traditional festival games."

Cotton candy and popcorn booths will round out Wally's food court.

For more information, call Katie Cronin at 850-255-4825.

Bring Carved Pumpkins to Halloween Party at Hunt Hall

Our Lady of the Assumption Mission is pleased to announce their Halloween Party/ Spaghetti Dinner is Friday, October 27, 6 p.m. in Hunt Hall at 920 Via de Luna Drive, Pensacola Beach. Reservations are required and admission is \$5 per person over 12 years old, \$3 for small children, and infants are free. The

famous beach meal will include salad, spaghetti with meatball sauce, garlic bread, dessert, coffee, or iced tea. Wine by the glass is available as well as a mulled wine bar.

We will have games, costume contests for adults and children, and a pumpkin carving contest with prizes for best dressed, most

original and scariest pumpkins. Carve your pumpkin before you come and bring it with you to the party for judging. Celebrity judges will include Pete Moore and Nina Fritz.

To make your reservation, call Dottie Hepworth at 916-1681 by October 23. Proceeds go to Our Lady of the Assumption Mission.

Artists Ready To Brush Up On Watercolor Skills

Move over Whistler and Wyeth, Beach artists are going to let their inner artist blossom at Our Lady of the Assumption's Watercolor classes. The church, which is located at 920 Via de Luna, Pensacola Beach, will be offering watercolor classes to the public (even if you can't draw a straight line).

Classes will be held in Hunt Hall on Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. till noon beginning October 18. The classes will run six

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weeks with the participants completing a painting each week. Supplies will be available if needed. All proceeds will be do-

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