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## Aye, Aye Capt. Kirk

*Junior Sailors Learn  
The Ropes*



Kirk Newkirk of Key Sailing will have mini-sailors at the helm of his sailboats during the Pensacola Beach Yacht Club's fifteenth Junior Sailing Camp, August 2-6 on Pensacola Beach. The Little Salts signed up for the Pensacola Beach Junior Sailing Camp include (front row, L to R): Ben Van Sleen, Michael Bailey, volunteer Kirk Newkirk, Zach Helms, Mira Helms, Lily Van Sleen, Alexandra Helms and Kendall Helms. Back row (L to R) are: Madelyn Bailey, Morgan Sclafani, Anna Sclafani and Christy Newkirk. There are no decks to swab or planks to walk, just lots of fun. For more on this story, see page 2.

# Young Skippers Learn Boating Skills While Having Fun at Sailing Camp

They can tie nautical knots. They have sailed on Sunfish, Lasers, Hobies, and on International 20 catamarans. They know about navigation on the waters, safety measures, and first aid. They also are acquainted with power boat safety. So what's so special about all this for a bunch of old sailing salts?

Well, these old salts just happen to be sailors ages 7 to 12 who will gain all this knowledge at the Pensacola Beach Yacht Club's Junior Sailing Camp which starts August 2 at Key Sailing. The first camp was established by Susan Newkirk in 1995.

"Our goals are to have fun, teach safety and educate the kids in water procedures," said Anne Geisel, camp coordinator. "The parents and the sailors who attend the camp agree that we reach these goals."

The proficiency in learning all these techniques can be largely attributed to the staff of counselors who work with the attendees, individually and collectively.

All sailing instructors are certified by the United States Sailing Association, are trained in Red Cross First Aid and CPR, according to PBYC's Gulf Yachting Association Coordinator and

longtime Yacht Club volunteer Rick Zern.

"These instructors are where the real resources of the program are," he said. "They have decades of sailing and racing experience."

Well known to Beach residents is Kirk Newkirk, owner of Key Sailing, who has been in business on the Beach for thirty years. He is one of the top catamaran racers in the country. Mark Smith, Anne Geisel, David Johnson, Margo Partain and Zern represent a combined longtime expertise in sailing, cruising and competition at a national level.

In addition to the instructors it takes a lot of sailor power to put this camp together. Anne Geisel calls on volunteers Jeff Arnett, Erica Bush, Robin Greene, Larry Geisel, Denise Hair, Peggy Van Sleen, Julie Denten, Lee Hargrove, Linda Thompson, Dave Oerting, Bob Patroni, Mark Smith, Tina Simmons, Ken Branch, Karen Harp and Mike Pederson to make the camp a success.

Kylie Finkbone, who just graduated from Pensacola Beach Elementary School, discusses the days she spent last summer at the camp.

Kylie talked about making new friends and learning so much

about tying knots, sailing Sunfish and Lasers, and finally sailing a catamaran.

"The basics are all the same," she said. "But the bigger boats have more sail, and, of course, are just bigger."

She describes a drill which has stayed with her. She said each camper received a whistle attached to his life jacket to use should the sailboat tip over. They capsized the sailboat, scrambled back aboard and blew their whistles.

"Before I attended the camp, I could go out on our Sunfish with my dad, but now I am able to sail it all by myself. They taught us a lot. It is the best feeling to be out on the water by myself, just riding along in my boat."

The camp maintains its "for fun" profile while still teaching the basics according to Zern.

"It has been my experience that the kids have the most fun in these programs when they sail to a beach and have a picnic, play boat tag with a nerf ball and swim."

Many sailors who have attended Junior Sailing Camp now excel in competitions including Zern's son, Jeff, and Jonathan Fleege who sailed in all the 420 Class National events. His daughter, Andrea, sails with the Melges 32. Included in this list is Mallory Buechler who is one of the best young sailors in the country, according to Zern.

He ended with this story, "We may have taught one boy too much. After camp, he 'borrowed' a catamaran and headed out to Mexico. He was found the next day sailing 50 miles south of Pensacola. I guess we forgot to teach honesty and morals that year.

But, by gosh, he knew how to sail."



**Beach Yacht Club volunteer Anne Geisel is the Junior Sailing Camp coordinator who takes care of every detail prior to the week long camp. Anne says the rewards are plentiful when she sees the kids on the water.**



**Rick Zern of Zern Rigging is an avid sailor whose children attended Pensacola Beach Yacht Club's Junior Sailing Camp during its first years. Zern stresses the importance of having fun on the water during the camp.**

## Interim Pastor Arrives At Beach Church

The Pensacola Beach Church family welcomed the Rev. Earl Keirstead at his inaugural service Sunday, July 18. Keirstead, who retired from the ministry after leading the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Bistol, Connecticut for 22 years, is serving as an interim pastor in Florida. He most recently lead a congregation in Bradenton, Florida.

Keirstead received his education in the Northeast beginning with an Associate Degree in Accounting

from Bentley College in 1962, a Bachelors from Marietta College in 1966, and a Masters of Divinity degree from Andover Newton Theological School in Massachusetts in 1970.

Rev. Keirstead met with the church leaders and employees on July 13.

"We were all very impressed and encouraged by his energy and warm personality," said Pete Rasnick, senior deacon of the Beach Church. "It is obvious that Earl is

dedicated to leading us through this transition period with the guidance of Jesus Christ, and is committed to helping us realize the potential we have to move to the next level in our service to God."

The Beach Church Board is currently seeking a permanent pastor to lead the congregation since Rev. Chuck Randle retired June 1.

The Pensacola Beach Community Church is located at the corner of Avenida 18 and Via de Luna. Services are Sunday at 10 a.m.

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# Barefoot on the Beach

By Jane Waters Cooper



I am searching for the silver lining every cloud is supposed to have. The whole world is aware of the greasy black cloud that hovers over the Gulf Coast turning once productive lives into shambles of disarray. As everyone knows I am the eternal optimist. The glass is never half empty. It's always half full. When one door closes, another one opens.

Yeah, and if wishes were horses beggars would ride. If wishes were fishes, we'd all have a fry.

And if my wishes were to come true, oil wells would never explode. This nightmare never should have happened, but it did. When will it end and how will it end? Who knows? Oh, where is the silver lining?

I think I have found the silver lining and I speak here only of Pensacola Beach. This lining is made up of real people, limitless compassion, steadfast devotion, and unequalled love for our sparkly white beaches and emerald waters.

The people of Northwest Florida, especially those in Pensacola, are making every effort to push the dark cloud away. They are attending the special festivals in numbers even greater than last year. They are shopping on the Beach, eating in restaurants; some are even booking hotel rooms. They are doing much more than offering to pick up tar balls. They are clasping hands and saying prayers for the life of our beautiful beaches. They are displaying a natural instinct of a community that believes in brotherhood.

To many Beach residents and businesses, this attitude is a major comfort, yes, even a silver lining.

Beach folks are also doing their level best to support local businesses and the government

of the island. Many will not leave the beach for any reason except for dire emergencies. I am one of those people.

Also, we are more than blessed with our very own leaders, the Santa Rosa Island Authority. True, their hands have been tied by the various agencies allegedly in charge like Unified Command.

Nevertheless, Buck Lee and his staff and workers have put in plenty of overtime. Buck is a take charge kind of guy and right now he has the wrinkles, a few new graying hairs and the sleepless nights to prove it.

We also owe a vote of thanks to Bob West, vigilant protector of the beach. There have been no serious accidents or drownings connected with the oil spill. All kinds of protection has been awarded the Beach by West, and his knights in shining armor – the lifeguards. Nothing major has gone wrong and all of his safety is in place when the Beach has been crowded with thousands of guests during the Fourth of July and Blue Angels Air Show.

And here come the Escambia County deputies. They handled the traffic, the fender benders, the minor squabbles with courtesy and dignity.

What a team we have working for us here on the beach! They put our love for having fun, our safety and our longing for a neat and clean Beach above all else.

How blessed we are. Will all this care and support help us? That's a tough question to answer. But we know, it sure can't hurt.

All this is not to say that I have forgotten those beach businesses which are suffering dramatic losses of revenue because of the oil spill. What I am saying is that this community spirit we are all witnessing

remedies this situation, at least in part.

I am pretty sure that every Beach resident has relatives and friends who live all over the world who would like to visit Pensacola Beach. But, they are fearful. It's like walking on egg shells or is it like tar balls?

Call your buddies and tell them there are lots of reasons they can and should come to visit Pensacola Beach.

You can tell them about the free concerts, Bands on the Beach every Tuesday which runs into September; Soundside concerts, large venues to attract national class musicians, our quaint festivals Taste of the Beach and Art and Wine Weekend.

They can enjoy the thirty days of Christmas at the Season Your Holidays with Island Spirit, where almost every event is free. You can even make a Gingerbread House and take it home with you. Tell them if they come during the four

months of Mardi Gras, they can be a part of a number of parties and happenings. They can even join a krew.

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# Big Concert Stage Would Attract Big Talents To Pensacola Beach

Nationally renowned performers will light up a half million dollar stage on Pensacola Beach if the Santa Rosa Island Authority approves a proposal. The item reached the agenda of the Santa Rosa Island Authority at their Full Board meeting on July 14.

"We are looking at an ongoing series of entertainers for great events," Robert Rinke of Portofino said. "We need a stage set up. We would like it to be built in the core area within the next two years, but for the immediate time, we need to purchase a portable stage."

Payment for the stage would come out of the Island Beautification Fund, which now has a million dollars, obtained through excess lease fees from Portofino.

Board members had several

concerns about the stage. They asked Rinke about renting rather than buying. Also, they wanted to know if the structure would be stable, and able to stand up to the salt air.

Board member Fred Gant said, "We need to move forward as quickly as possible. We should not delay the progress of this project. The need is now. The need is here. The concept is good."

"The stage needs to be set up and ready for big name entertainers. We heard that Faith Hill and others want to come to the Gulf Coast," Rinke said.

Rinke said he would bring the people who could answer all their questions to the next meeting, including Margaritaville's Jim Wiseman, who is Jimmy Buffett's development partner.

Vernon Prather, board member, made a motion to move forward.

"I think tonight we should vote conceptually to ask Mr. Lee to move forward and get prices and details."

The motion passed unanimously.

A proposal to build a \$35,000 parking lot adjacent to the San Souci Condominiums on Ft. Pickens Rd. was approved going against Tammy Bohannon, Board chairman, who felt the project benefitted PegLeg Pete's and they should share the cost.

"I am not in favor of this," Bohannon said. "I feel that we should have shared the cost with PegLeg's. We are using public funds for a private business."

Buck Lee, SRIA executive

director, said there was money in the Special Projects fund to pay for the project, and it could be completed this year.

The Board passed a new and lengthy regulation in an effort to stop all the problems associated with rentals of beach residences for large parties. The motion, made by Vernon Prather, follows: ***The initial permit fee will be \$25 until such time as a violation occurs then the security deposit would be required of \$500. Escalating to \$1000 for the second violation. The security deposit can escalate to \$4,000. If there are no violations of the rules then the security deposit will be returned less the \$25 application fee. The Permit will be generated and must be posted on the house. In the event someone does not secure an event permit then a \$500***

***after the fact fee will be charged by the SRIA to the leaseholder.***

In other business, the Board:

- Approved retaining their advertising agency, E.W. Bullock Associates for another year.

- Approved a \$35,000 expenditure for web-cameras on the Public Safety and Gulf Fishing Pier. Viewers will be able to see what the beach looks like in real time.

- Maureen LaMar reported that the Visitors Information Center was down by 865 visitors last month.

- Buck Lee complimented the Beach Chamber of Commerce for putting on a great Fourth of July fireworks show.

The next meeting of the SRIA will be at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, July 28 at the Authority office. All meetings are open to the public.

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# peas, porridge & a dry martini

by Kathi Lewis



"Well, at least you've got your health!" That's what my Mama would say regarding any crisis in our family. It's a good rule of thumb to live by (another Mama-ism) so long as you actually have your health. If you don't, you'll need to find another rule.

My sweet beautiful sister and friend, Kathryn Curle no longer had her health and she has moved on to a better place. She fought very hard and survived much longer than anyone believed possible. Her battle earned her more time with her loving family and friends. My love and prayers for their peace go out to all Kathryn's family and friends. Save me a barstool on Derelict's Corner at that great Tiki in the Sky 'cause I look forward to seeing you again..... For now, I will miss you.

I sure hope there are no rules in Heaven because our world is not only full of rules, some days it seems that it's entirely about them. They're everywhere you look. You can't go outside (with your eyes open) without seeing them. And

Lord knows I hate rules unless I'm the one making them up! Then, they're a lot more fun.....

That's why I've created my fantasy world where I only invite a select few to enter. Sometimes people try to intrude without an invitation, but it's my fantasy so I can just kick 'em right on out! So, if you show up at my door, you'd better be wearing some magic dust and planning on having some fun.

I had a dream about Mr. Harry (the late, great Harry Gowens) one night after he was gone. In this dream, Mr. Harry told me his secret to survival. Y'all know he lived a long and very fruitful life full of fun and happiness.

His secret? "Baby" he said, "All you have to do when things get rough is to just hold on and you will come out the other side."

I love that (and him still) and I've passed that secret on to many in the years since. It makes a lot of sense to me, it's true, and while you're hangin' on, you might as well have some fun.

I'm sharing that secret with all of us who suffer (mentally, emo-

tionally or financially) during this time of extreme difficulty and uncertainty. We will pass through to the other side of this disaster. Just hang on my friends and let's have some fun in the meantime.

We've got a lot of fun coming up in August. I'm spending these few precious unscheduled days to recover (from our socially and emotionally exhausting summer) and conserve some of my sparse energy. (Why, oh why, can't I borrow some from those grandchildren?) Remember that whatever our future brings, we always come together and help one another. And we will remain as fiercely loyal and protective of our Paradise as we have always been; nothing can or will change that. This is not our first disaster together.

Did I say I was resting up? Yeah, well I can do that in Biloxi just as easily - maybe even easier since my phones won't be ringing off the hook. Well, I won't hear them anyway in the loud clanging of slot machines.

Christine Hewardine got so excited during the last trip she forgot to cash in a ticket. We're going to parlay it. We hope. We are going to check out that bar again, win at some poker machines and see how many martinis we can drink.

Now, that's a fun plan, right there. And win or lose we'll still come home the same lucky, lucky gals we were when we left. No, I'm not kidding you, while a win is always nice to have, it's not essential to my happiness. After all, we still live in Paradise.

Because we love our Paradise so much, the Mystic Krewe of Nereids is working on a plan to bring some fun and much needed business to the entire Island. If successful, every business should see a few dollars, at least, come in their door. If a prize winner likes what they see or have in your business, odds are they will return bringing friends. So, pay attention when we come knocking on your door asking for prize donations because

you can't afford to miss getting your business name in on this. If unsuccessful, then we'll be a broke Krewe of Nereids working in the street next year on what's left of our new float. Or it's possible we'll be planning our own parade if we can't afford entry fee to the Big One.

So, keep on reading the *Island Times*, mark your calendar right now for August 21, so you can come out and help us help you. Oh just mark it for the whole day; we'll let you know the time later.

Right now it's time to cook; or not cook.....anyway, we've got to go to the kitchen.

## Four Ingredient Chicken Salad

**2 - 10 oz. cans cooked chicken breast**

**1 Cup mayonnaise (more or less to your taste)**

**¾ - 1 Cup Celery, coarsely chopped**

**1 small can cashew pieces, coarsely chopped**

Drain chicken and place in large bowl for mixing. Add the rest of ingredients and chill in refrigerator. This will serve a lot of people. It's my own recipe and we fed more than ten people during the Blue Angels Shows (and God Bless our Blue Angels and all who performed and entertained us. You sent chills down my spine and filled my soul with joy, patriotism, love of my Country and hope for our future).

What makes this recipe so great is that you can easily cut it in half or double it for more. You can add ingredients or leave out some of my ingredients. It's easily made healthy by using light mayo (adding less mayo) and adding purple seedless grapes cut in half. Grapes make it possible to use less mayo because they contribute more moisture in the salad.

Enjoy, share, don't forget to hang on and have some fun on the beach daily.

See ya in the kitchen....

# Farewell Kathryn

*Kathryn Hotchkiss Curle  
February 25, 1959 - July 15, 2010*

Every life she touched was brightened by Kathryn Curle. And there were many lives. Kathryn passed away on July 15 after battling an inoperable brain tumor for many years. Her friends and family gathered on Wednesday, July 21 in Navarre to celebrate her life.

Her life was always good, cheerful and dignified. Her husband, Woody, and children Haley and Ethan were her first priority. After working in sales on Pensacola Beach at The Dunes Hotel for a number of years, Kathryn decided, after her daughter Haley was born to become a stay at home mom.

Kathryn and Woody lived on the island until Hurricane Opal destroyed their home. Among Kathryn's passions was her love for horses. She went horseback riding every day. She owned many horses during her lifetime.

She also was much into Pensacola Beach Mardi Gras and was one of the founders of the prestigious Mystic Krewe of Nereids. She reigned over the group as their queen in 1994.

After the *Island Times* was launched in 2005, and began its series of Trivia questions, Kathryn began her quest to become a member of the Knights of the Round Table. She worked and worked on finding the right answer even during her illness, and she did win one week, but she never finished with the three correct answers required for knighthood.

Her friend, Trivia Countess Kim LoBue, said it all for Kathryn's friends and many beach family members, "My sweet Kathryn Curle never made it to the Roundtable. She wanted that so much. She really thought we sat somewhere at a round table until I explained to her that there was no table, and she said, 'Let's get one.' I would hurry and give her answers and I guess that's cheating, but what did it hurt? Rest in peace, dear friend. Kimi."

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# Engineer's Projects Near Completion

Mike Langston, engineer for Baskerville Donovan, Inc. gave the Santa Rosa Island Authority an update on various beach projects they have been working on.

"The ability to use reclaimed water to irrigate the landscaping on Pensacola Beach has been delayed by permitting and weather," Langston said. "But everything should be complete by the end of the year."

Langston said that a permit for a cross connection and groundwater monitoring plans are still under review by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. He said

all other components are complete and have been started up for testing.

Langston said the Little Sabine Bay Restoration is virtually complete.

The pump which is located in the western part of Little Sabine was tested on July 9.

"The results proved the pump to be quiet," Langston said. "There was no water movement. It was working like it was supposed to. The project should be closed out pretty quickly and has fulfilled the requirements of the Water Management District funding grant."

Larry Newsom, Interim County administrator, has become involved in the drainage problems on the Beach, according to Langston.

Engineers have already identified problem areas. Escambia County cleared and videotaped some of the pipes on Via de Luna. However, some pipes are still clogged up with sand. The task orders have been given to Escambia County and they will take care of this.

"We are actually waiting for another round of bad weather so we can review and compare results," Langston said.

# ECUA Offers Free Household Chemicals Pick Up

If you have paint or used motor oil stored in your garage, it just became as easy as making a phone call to dispose of it. Emerald Coast Utilities Authority's (ECUA) Hazardous Household Waste collection program is operational. This program is free to residential customers.

Maintaining a safe environment is a top priority for the ECUA. If household chemicals are not disposed of properly, environmental concerns may potentially develop, and the costs to contain or remediate the situation can be expensive. The ECUA is proactive on pro-

tecting our drinking water source and local waterways, and keeping chemicals from our wastewater treatment facilities, whose purpose is not to treat these chemicals.

Randy Rudd, director of sanitation services says, "The new service has been a tremendous success. On the first day of collection, a total of 355 requests for pick up were received. The majority of the liquids collected were paint and motor oil. The ECUA crews also collected 235 gallons of cooking oil and 212 florescent light bulbs. Six cubic yards of dry material such as fertilizer, insecticides and pool chemicals

were also collected."

This new service will allow all ECUA residential customers to call-in and request a pick-up of items once-per-month. The service is offered on the first Saturday of the month. The collection will include the pick-up of items such as pool chemicals, household chemicals, paints, used cooking grease, lawn and garden chemicals, and used motor oil, to name just a few.

For more information on the ECUA Hazardous Household Waste collection program, visit the ECUA website at [www.ecua.org](http://www.ecua.org) or call Customer Service at 850-476-0480.

# Hundreds Gaze At Beach Stars

Escambia Amateur Astronomer Association Events Coordinator Dewey Barker kept an eye on the Pensacola Beach sky during the July 16 and 17 star gaze at the Gulfside Pavilion. "The skies were not looking too good on Friday night, but the Moon was blowing through the thin clouds in the sky," Barker said. "We had around 50 people stop by for views of the Moon, Venus, and Saturn as they popped in and out of the clouds rolling overhead and I was able to use my laser to point out Scorpius and Sagittarius when the skies opened to the South."

The cloudy night skies make viewing the stars and planets a challenge, but the all-volunteer

group set up on Saturday, July 17 with high hopes.

"The skies on Saturday were giving me the impression that they were going to be more cooperative and clearer than they were on Friday," said Barker. "When I arrived my fellow astronomers Perry Vath and Carol Sigler were already set up with people waiting in line to view the Moon."

The free event attracted about 150 people who got up close views of the Moon and Saturn.

The next Star Gaze is scheduled for August 13 and 14 at the Gulfside Pavilion. The event is sponsored by the Escambia Amateur Astronomers and there is no charge to participate.

## CERT TRAINING

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The Navarre Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) in cooperation with Santa Rosa County CERT is conducting an Introduction to CERT class over the first two full weekends in August. The class will be conducted at the Holley-Navarre Fire Station #45, 8618 Esplanade St., Navarre, FL (North of the Winn-Dixie shopping center on Rte 98 in Navarre). There is no charge for the training or materials. Please visit [www.navarre-cert.org](http://www.navarre-cert.org) for registration information.

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[www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/](http://www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/)

# The School Bell Rings



## ACED THE CAT

Jamie Seabrooke is taking a well-deserved break from the books this summer after posting a perfect score in the FCAT. The former

Beach School student will return for his second year at Woodlawn Middle School where he will be in the seventh grade.

## BREAK A LEG

Beach School graduate Kylie Finkbone spent her summer on stage with the Pensacola Little Theater. She was cast in Puss In Boots which debuted in mid July. She will be in sixth grade this Fall.

## VISITORS FROM IRAQ

Six Iraqi teenagers were in Pensacola as part of an eight-day cultural exchange program. The goal of the program is to empower Iraqi high school students with the confidence, skills, and knowledge

to create positive change in their communities upon return to Iraq. The themes explored during the Pensacola portion of the exchange include leadership, community-building, volunteerism, and youth activism. Appointments on their packed calendar included meeting with Councilwoman Maren DeWeese and Chief Bearheart, attending workshops at Digital Media Education and the University of West Florida, and volunteering at the Arcadia Mill archaeological site.

## SCOUTING AROUND

Boy Scout Troop 11 has returned from a week at Camp Woodruff in Blairsville, Georgia. The



Pensacola Beach Elementary School grad Reddon McLaurine at Camp Woodruff in Georgia. Reddon is a member of Boy Scout Troop 11 in Gulf Breeze.

Troop meets at the Presbyterian Church in Gulf Breeze. The leader is David Langham. Beach School Scouts are Colin Adams, Edgar Shigley, Reddon McLaurine, Eric Larsen. Principal Jeff Castleberry's son, Taylor, is also in this troop.

## HIGH TECH HIGH SCHOOL

If you are at least 16 and are into high tech, then tune in and turn on Pensacola State College's high-tech Collegiate High School. Registration is from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. August 2-23.

are Level I technology classrooms that include student computers, instructor control consoles, large-screen TVs, DVD/VCR capabilities and document cameras. Interactive instruction based on individual need is the program's instructional model.

Collegiate High School's program offers students in Escambia and Santa Rosa counties the option of attending school with an accelerated curriculum. The diploma earned in the program is the same earned at any Florida public high school.

For more information, call 850-484-2177.

## LOVE BOOKS?

St. Francis of Assisi Church in Gulf Breeze will sponsor a Back to School Literacy Fair on Wednesday August 4 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Church's Parish Hall. Everyone in the South Santa Rosa and Pensacola Beach area is invited to come and bring their children. The first 100 school age children will receive a bag of school supplies. There is no charge for this event.

"Tuffy, A Real American Quarter Horse Hero" with his trainer Kyle Holley will be at the event along with local children's authors, illustrators and a publisher.

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# Elbert Tells Beach Oil Spill Story To State Officials

Jeff Elbert was carrying the entire load of Pensacola Beach on his shoulders when he appeared in Tallahassee on July 20 at the request of Florida's Chief Financial Officer and gubernatorial candidate, Alex Sink.

Elbert, president of the Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce and Chris Jones, Escambia County Property Appraiser, were invited to talk to her about the ways the oil spill were impacting the Beach.

"I met with CFO Sink in her office," Elbert said. "I told her my story as well as those of other businesses on the Beach. Many of the Beach businesses are owned by families. We do not have large corporations backing us."

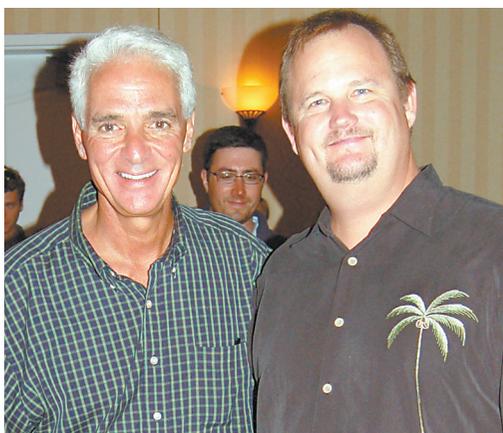
Elbert later gave a speech during a press conference where the entire Democratic caucus was present along with fifty reporters.

Elbert told the history of his parents starting a gift business in a small cinder block building. His mother painted sanddollars to sell as souvenirs. When the elder Elbert retired, young Jeff took over the business which has been rebuilt twice from hurricane destruction. They also have survived a banking crisis and the recession.

"I do not think we can survive this," Elbert said. "I have not received a dime from BP."

Elbert answered the questions from the press, including one that involved the seasonal difference between Northwest and South Florida.

"Unlike South Florida we have a very short tourist season," Elbert told them. "We have to make all the money in the summer so that we



Florida Governor Charlie Crist, right, and Chamber President Jeff Elbert discussed the oil impact at the Blue Angels reception on Pensacola Beach, prior to Elbert's Tallahassee trip.

can hang on through the winter. If I don't get some relief, I don't know how I will hang on after Labor Day."

During his time with Sink, Elbert did explain a voucher system that Robert Rinke and Fred Simmons have been promoting.

This Voucher Program would have BP paying for half of any hotel night stay on beaches that have been impacted by the spill. Travelers would receive half price rooms with BP paying for the other half and advertising the program. They feel the hotel occupancy would result in helping the gift shops, restaurants and small businesses.

"CFO Sink thinks the voucher idea is great," Elbert said. "She plans to present it to the Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association for their support."

Elbert made a positive impression on Florida officials. He talked with Governor Charlie Crist and got a hug from Senator Eleanor Sobel of Hollywood after his speech.

"I believe that everyone listened to what I had to say," he said. "This will help me personally, the Chamber and the entire Beach. It was a great experience."



The Santa Rosa Island Authority hosted the Blue Angels' Wives Luncheon at Crab's on July 8. The upstairs dining area overlooking the Gulf of Mexico gave the guests a front row seat for the 2 p.m. practice show. Attending the luncheon are the guests of honor, (L to R) Blue Angels wives: Anne Simonsen, Cinthia Demontalvo, Jeanette Thompson, Holly Burks, Kim McWherter, Christine Jorge, Shirley Robinson, Jen Kurrie, Rachele Thomazeski and Bethany Weisser.

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# Park Service Seeks Volunteers At Fort Pickens

The rewards of volunteering with the Gulf Islands National Seashore's Public Information group are oh so sweet. Seventy locals were treated to a pot luck dinner July 7 to thank them for their

hard work. These volunteers serve as the park's eyes and ears on the beaches and provide the public with the most recent health and safety information concerning oil on the beaches and in the water.

Volunteers are also working to help the public understand why the National Park Service (NPS) has chosen to use tools that will create the least impact during the clean up.

"The NPS protects the natural and cultural heritage of our landscape and as a steward of that landscape is responsible for full clean up while being as sensitive to the habitat as possible," said Seashore Superintendent Dan Brown. "We would like to extend our deepest appreciation to the community of local people who feel that volunteering is their way of helping in a difficult situation."

More Public Information Volunteers are needed.

"We are hoping to add about twenty to thirty additional volunteers," said Gulf Islands National Seashore Chief of Interpretation and Education Gail Bishop. "The areas that they cover are Fort Pickens and the Santa Rosa area east of Pensacola Beach."

If you are interested in volunteering, please call Gulf Islands at 850-916-3013. Volunteer training will be conducted July 27 at 7 p.m. at Naval Live Oaks in Gulf Breeze.

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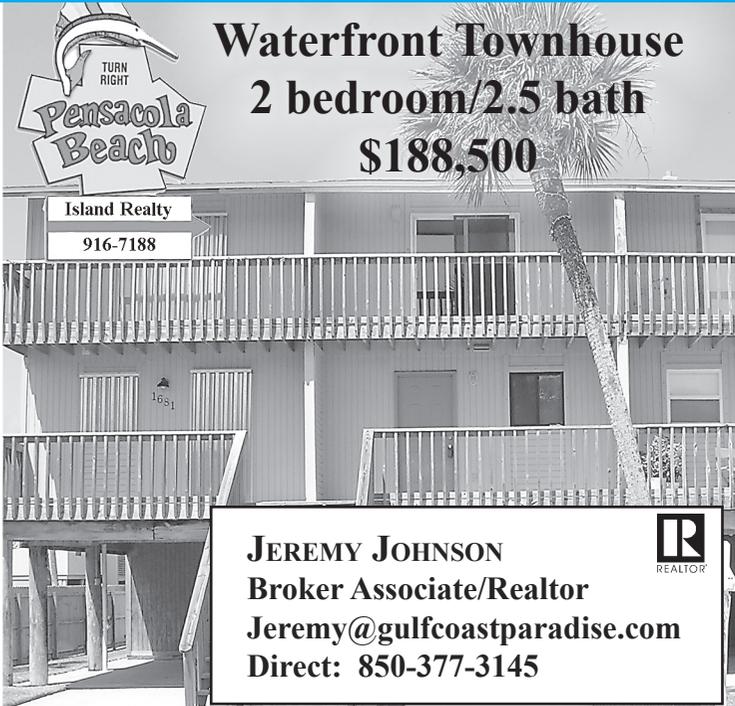


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# BUSINESS BUZZ.....

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## ECO TOURS

Capt JR is back on the water offering three hour eco tours on Santa Rosa Sound aboard his Blue Marlin Water Taxi. The tours are run daily and passengers are likely to see everything from dolphin to ospreys. All you do is call the Captain and

climb aboard. He even brings the chilled water and snacks.

## IN THE LIMELIGHT

Crab's We Got 'Em is the perfect venue for visiting dignitaries to meet with their constituents and the media. You never know who will be appearing at the cheerful red tables with the Gulf of Mexico in the background. The Surgeon General Dr. Regina Benjamin made it her Pensacola Beach venue. Stop in and see for yourself. Could be just what the doctor ordered.

## JOHN R SHINES

*Business Week* published a piece on oil impacted businesses along the Gulf Coast. Longtime Pensacola Beach businessman John Ehrenreich of Speedy John's was featured in the national magazine's glossy pages.

## BEACH PIRATES

The Bath Tub Races and Anything That Floats are set for Sunday, September 5 in the Sound behind Bamboo Willie's. The entire \$30 entry fee is donated to the Pensacola

Beach Chamber. Start practicing your rowing skills. Better yet, design your own wacky watercraft and enter the Anything That Floats Division. There is a prize for the Most Impressive Sinker! A flotilla

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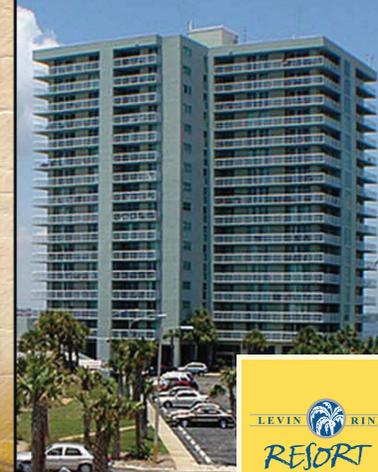
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Champions of the Sliding With Style Competition, July 4 at The Tiki Slide on Pensacola Beach received engraved medals sponsored by Island Times. Wild and wacky slide winners are (Back row, L to R): Jared Rodriguez, 11, Texas; Jake Domschke, 8, Pensacola; Kurt Domschke, 13, Pensacola; Joe Funck, 12, Pensacola and Caroline Beard, 11, Pensacola. Center is Emma Rodriguez, 8 of Texas. Fore-ground, two-year-old Logan Moore, South Carolina.

Jared and Emma were visiting grandparents Mike and Chrissy Cook on Pensacola Beach. Little Logan Moore is Deb Friedman's grandson.



Logan Moore received a medal and a July Fourth Bear for his efforts at the Sliding with Style Contest.



Former Beach Volunteer Fireman Jeff Norris operates the Beach WebCam. He provided a live feed for viewers to watch the Blue Angels Air Show July 10 on Pensacola Beach.



CPL Brian Marion, USMC, oversees the pull-ups Austin Suggs, 16, of Snellville, Georgia performed at the Marine Corps display during the Blue Angels Air Show July 10 on Pensacola Beach.



The Blue Angels Boss, CDR Greg McWherter, left, awards the SRIA Boss, Buck Lee, a commemorative Blue Angels appreciation framed photo at the reception hosted by the SRIA and the Beach Chamber July 9.



Nine-month old Brooke Pickett happily munched on a big piece of ice, cold watermelon at Our Lady of the Assumption's July 18 summer picnic.



Dominick Claus checks out the waterslide at Our Lady of the Assumption's July 18 summer picnic. Mom Nicole is in the background.



Two-year-old Ruth Lipnicky of Gulf Breeze has the best seat in the house - her dad Darryl's lap. They were enjoying the picnic at Our Lady on July 18.

# BYTES AND BITS

By Joe Stukey  
Your Computer Pal

Q: "How Many Times Can I Install My Microsoft Software?"

A: In the consumer marketplace, Microsoft licenses its software to the individual to prevent software piracy. Microsoft Windows Operating System software, which includes XP, Vista, and Windows 7, is licensed to the computer on which it was installed during the manufacturing process. It is supposed to be used only on that computer. If the computer is destroyed, the software should be destroyed also. If you purchased the Windows Operating System software in a box from a retail outlet, you can use it on one computer at a time.

Microsoft Office is the set of programs (including Word, Excel, and Powerpoint) that is hugely popular with Windows software users. That software is intended to be a single-owner product. Even though it will install on more than one computer, don't assume that you are legally correct in doing so. If

that is an okay thing to do, Microsoft will state that clearly in the software documentation.

Keep in mind that Microsoft does monitor the number of times that you have installed the software. Each time you are asked to "activate" the product, using its Product Key, Microsoft records information about that installation. There is a limit to how many times Microsoft will allow activation to occur. Once the limit is reached, you will be asked to contact them by phone. So, if you let your friends borrow your software, you might find that Microsoft will not let you re-install it until you contact them.

Once the activation limit is reached, Microsoft puts a phone number and a long alpha-numeric code on your screen. When you dial that phone number, you will be talking to a computer voice. The voice will ask you to say the alpha-numeric codes. If there are no issues, you will be given another

code, which you can then enter on the same screen. If there is a problem, you will be transferred to an agent who will ask you to confirm that you are the owner and that you are operating within the guidelines. They will then provide you with the codes needed to install your software. So, don't throw your software away, if you have reached the activation "limit."

For questions, contact Joe at joe@ycpals.com or 206-3156.

## New Oil Spill Information Website Launched

National Incident Commander Admiral Thad Allen announced the launch of a new federal web portal [www.RestoreTheGulf.gov](http://www.RestoreTheGulf.gov) dedicated to providing the American people with clear and accessible information and resources related to the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill response and recovery.

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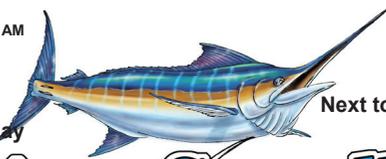
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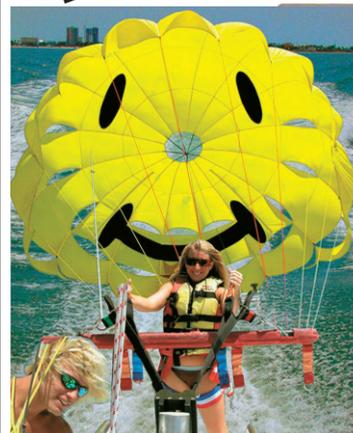
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# Mostly Nuts & Bolts

By  
Candace  
Segar

As I get older I find that I can't just pick up and carry furniture on my back or using just my back strength like I used to do. My mind thinks it can do it and certainly from an engineering perspective, I can do it. It all boils down to pulleys, ropes, pallets and wagons. There is nothing I can't move by myself that weighs between one and 300 pounds.

The one pound end is obvious, but the 300 pound end requires strategy. I like to buy furniture and move things. I think it has become an interesting game to me; a challenge, woman versus mass/matter/weight. Well, you get the picture. Anyway one of my greatest accomplishments was moving a treadle sewing machine by myself. It was upright in the back of the Dodge Durango. I needed to get it inside the garage. I used the hand holds in the back of the Durango for my roping system. I used one section of rope to balance the sewing machine; I used another section of rope to help slide it down

a small ramp onto the garage floor. These ropes are my other woman or man. It took patience because as I adjusted one rope loosening it a few inches, I had to run to the other side and loosen the second rope as well. It slid slowly and securely down the ramp.

The second item I moved was an old oak desk I had gotten at the auction. The thing to always remember is that if you can remove parts of an object to lighten the load, do it. I removed the drawers and that got rid of significant weight. Then I laid the desk on its side in the back of the car on top of a small blanket. (This I had help doing.) After that I tied my trusty rope to the handy, dandy hand holds, slid the ramp in place, and pulled the blanket. I loosened the ropes, and voila – mission accomplished. The desk was in the garage. It's that easy.

Just remember that everything I know I learned from Euclid and Archimedes. Move like an Egyptian!



**COMING OF AGE** - Chris Shearman, left, celebrated his twenty-first birthday at Paradise's soundfront beach with his dad Chris and mom Becky on Sunday, July 18. Chris' sister Leigh and her husband Mike Weaver were toasting his birthday, along with the five hundred guests at the 399 South Concert which took place at Paradise on Sunday. The daylong concert was hosted to raise funds for workers impacted by the oil spill.

# Grice Grabs First Beach Poker Win

The Kings, Queens and Jacks lined up like royalty at the New Orleans Mardi Gras during Tommy Grice's first ever Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun Parade to the Winner's Circle at the famous Sandshaker Lounge on July 19. He outplayed Col. Phil Tracy, who is at the top of his game. Phil's son, Michael Tracy, marched into third place.

"I feel like I just won the Super Bowl," said Grice, who is the World's Biggest Saint's fan. "Drinks, all around!"

The Sandshaker hosts poker tournaments on Monday with dozens of players taking a seat at the felt. On July 5 Mike Wood took down Phil Tracy in the final.

"We had a great night of poker and pizza at The Sandshaker," said

Rick Uzdevenes, poker promoter. "This is such a good group of players."

Beach poker diva Mary Jo Misiak took top honors at the Shaker on July 12 when she outlasted Jim



Tommy Grice

Taylor in the final.

A c - tion moves to the historic district on Pensacola Beach where games are played at Paddy O'Leary's. The mysterious Waldo Defindorfin has arrived on the Beach once again from parts unknown. He earned

a runners-up place on July 8 at Paddy's behind winner Jason Gipson.

James Elvis Presley was a star at the poker tables on July 11. He bet and bluffed his way to the win.

Toby and Linda Williams of St. Louis, Missouri joined the Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun gang at Paddy's on July 15. She held on for second place behind Beach poker icon Justin Scher.

Scher made a second trip to the top of the leaderboard with a win over Big Todd Lentini on July 18 at Paddy's.

## From The Chip Stack

Friday night at Tex 's Condo Cooling Party, Hammerin' Hank Misiak took down Waldo Defindorfin in the final with Mike Wood and Glenn Burleson a close third and fourth place during a big night of "Tex's Hold 'E," way up high in the South Harbour condos.

"Wow! What a night of food and friends," said Uzdevenes. "Tex and Pat put on the Ritz for the gang. Thanks so much everyone."

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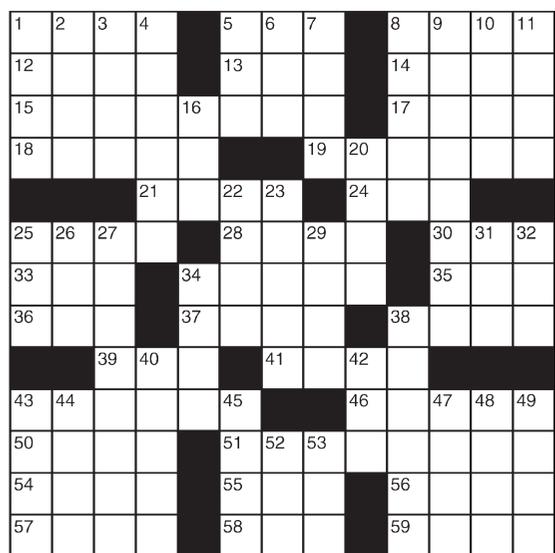
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13 Blackbird  
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15 Downhill racer  
17 Follow the rules  
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19 Food fish also called mahi mahi  
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28 Actress Campbell  
30 Letterman's network  
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34 Farm statistic  
35 Erstwhile acorn  
36 San Francisco's — Hill  
37 Ms. Moore  
38 Wan  
39 Singer Sumac  
41 No neatnik  
43 Urge earnestly  
46 Eccentric  
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- 54 Advantage  
55 Actor McBride  
56 Black, in verse  
57 Tree hugger?  
58 Glutton  
59 Ohio nine

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- 7 Kite flyer's need  
8 Coast  
9 Shag et al.  
10 Sleeping  
11 Vacillate  
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22 Formerly  
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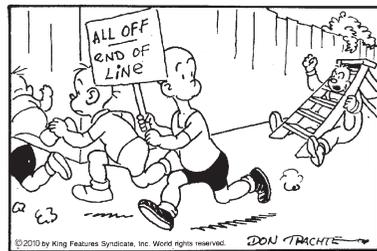
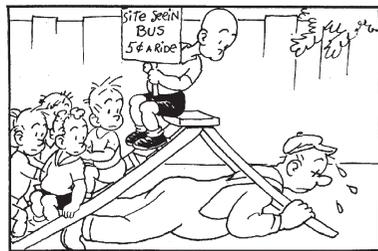
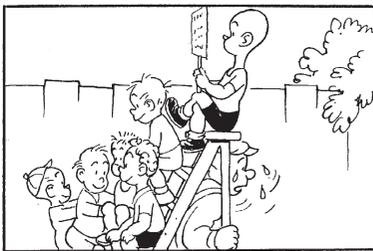
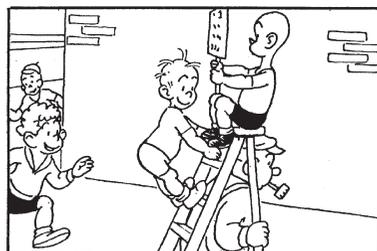
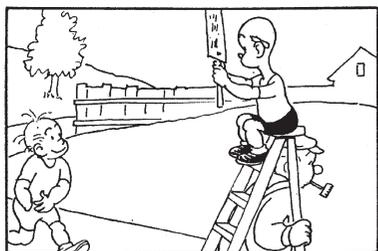
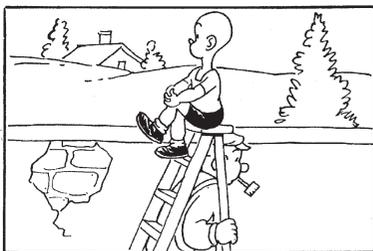
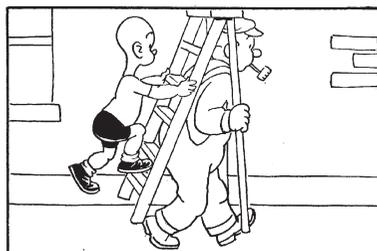
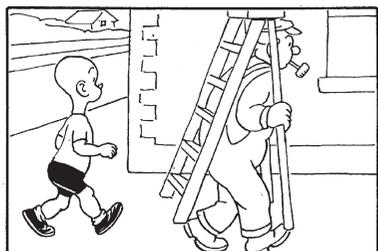
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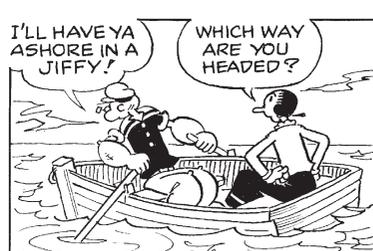
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"Aw, but you should've seen the one that got away!"

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# The Lizzard's TONGUE

by E.K. Hewson



Last week I had the single parent honor of dropping The Kid off at college while The Colonel is across the pond participating in the Farmborough Airshow. And yes, you read it correctly. The Kid is attending a three-week long writing course at Washington College in Chestertown, Maryland as part of the Johns Hopkins University Gifted and Talented Youth Program.

This adventure began last fall. Technically, The Kid would point out that I am mistaken and this all started when he took his national standardized tests at the end of fifth grade. Turns out he has a brain and knows how to use it for more than just outsmarting his mom at every opportunity. So last September, when we received notification from Johns Hopkins that he was invited to take another battery of tests that would proceed to tell us if he was smart, smarter or smartest, we agreed. Turns out, he's the latter in his ability to read and write, and "only" smarter in science in math as compared to students four grade

levels ahead of him.

Not wanting to stunt his academic growth, we filled out all the applications and reams of paperwork to send him to Washington College -- his first choice was Stanford -- for a 21-day intensive writing class.

After the tuition and fees check cleared the bank, the correspondence began between us and the Johns Hopkins Center for Gifted and Talented Youth.

"Dear Colonel and Mrs. Hewson: You both must be so proud of Harry. (Tell us something we didn't know.) Here is an initial list of supplies he will need for college: Twins Sheets XL, shower caddy, college ruled notebooks and paper, pens, money for a laundry card, clothes. He will be able to purchase his textbooks at the college bookstore upon arrival. (Cha-ching!) He will have an RA to help him adjust to living in a dorm and will be assigned a roommate upon arrival. (I hoped the RA was older than 18 and not a 6-year-old who just happened to

be gifted in the field of Resident Assistance.) Looking forward to meeting Harry. Sincerely, Michael Chin, Program Director"

So The Kid and I went shopping. We went on-line and purchased epically awesome Quick-silver bedsheets. He picked out a great waterproof caddy and was so excited that it had a place for his shower shoes. Finally, we drove over to Staples where he compared every notebook they had in stock to one another before deciding upon the perfect ones to store his words in. I braced myself for the pen decision, but it was quick and painless. Who knew a 12-year-old would know the brand, style and color of his pen of choice? You don't think that was one of the questions on the slew of tests he took? To this day, I only want one that writes.

As we arrived on campus, it looked like we were at a United Nations gathering. About 220 of some of the smartest kids in the nation and world were assembled, each eager and excited to meet his/

her roommate, RA and professor. The Kid's roommate, Jwuang Lanu, was late, but the RA helped get him squared away before it was time for lunch and his first pre-test. Welcome to college, Kid.

After a tour of the dining hall and cafeteria, I started thinking just maybe more than his brain would grow in the next few weeks. Possibly his waistline, too. The Executive Chef had prepared an entire gluten-free meal for him and showed him where all the gluten-free snacks were housed.

Finally, it was time to meet his professor Bob Rozakis. After listening to what The Kid was going to have to write while taking "Writing and Imagination: 101," a parent, not me, asked the professor what made him qualified to teach this course and to such young, but gifted kids. As we all waited, he could not have had a better response. "I could tell you about all my degrees, but that is boring, so I will tell you this. I wrote comic books for DC Comics for 18 years, in particular 'Superman' and

'Batman'."

With that said, The Kid turned to me, gave me a quick kiss and said he had to get to class. He didn't want to be late.

I walked back to my car -- alone and in tears. I wasn't sad for the moment, but for the realization that in less than six years, college won't be just a three-week course in the summer, but a four-year journey that will start The Kid on the path to manhood.

Until next time...

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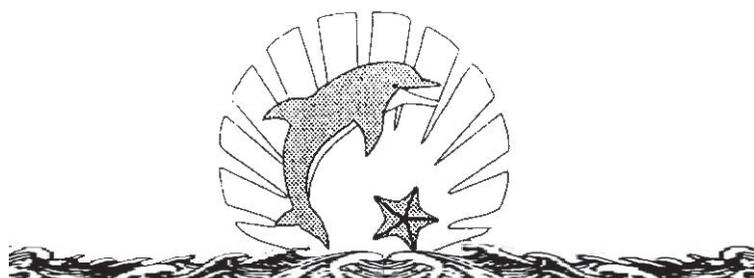
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HIT & RUN, MANATEE DOWN - Villa Sabine residents look for the costume Suzanne Young's manatee mailbox will be wearing. Unfortunately, a car ran over him, so he is disabled, but has been receiving condolences of flowers and a bottle of Scotch.



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# readin' the water

by Saltwater Rick



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I have been getting all kinds of reports from anglers. Speckled trout are everywhere. Redfish by the hundreds are in schools chasing the massive groups of baitfish. Flounder are all around the rocks and salt flats at the EPA. If you want a little action, the ladyfish are hitting and all you have to do is toss a line and watch them jump.

The water's fine. Get your crab nets, your kids and a couple of poles. Do yourself a favor and go fishin'!

## Super Sleuth Tracks BigFoot

BigFoot gets no respect. The big, hairy guy – the resident ape on Pensacola Beach – just doesn't know how to hide his obviously visible body. He just cannot escape the eyes of the super sleuths who live on the island and in Gulf Breeze. In the last issue of *Island Times*, the missing link appeared to have found an ideal spot. It looks like somewhere in outer space.

Not to Angeli McMillan, it didn't. She emailed her answer that she thought the location was the vacant lot Paradise Realty had for sale at 813 Rio Vista. She recognized the tree. Angeli and her son Pier ride their bikes past there everyday. In her winning email, she commented that the tree would be a nice place for a swing, but for the

moment, she would be extremely happy to get the prize - a BigFoot t-shirt. Wear it with pride, Angeli.

Brilliant editor of the Sandspur, Chuck Steele, also entered with the following, "Gulf Islands National Seashore, Naval Live Oaks Reservation, east of the fish sign," Sorry Chuck. So far, BigFoot has not ventured off the Island.

## Shelton Holds Top Spot At Inshore Slam

Anglers are looking for the trio of Trout, Redfish and Flounder, trying to make it to the top of the leader board during the 2010 Gulf Breeze Bait and Tackle Inshore Slam. The tourney continues until August 31, and the following have weighed-in their catch: (The numbers represent the weight of Trout, Redfish, and Flounder, followed by the total aggregate weight.)

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2. Eric Gill 6.27, 7.31, 1.98, 12.52
3. Jeff Pollard 4.94, 6.73, 3.40, 15.97
4. Dale Hall 4.08, 7.65, 3.05, 14.78
5. Travis Gill 3.73, 7.14, 1.51, 12.38

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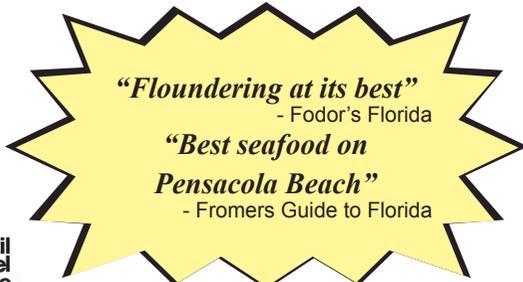
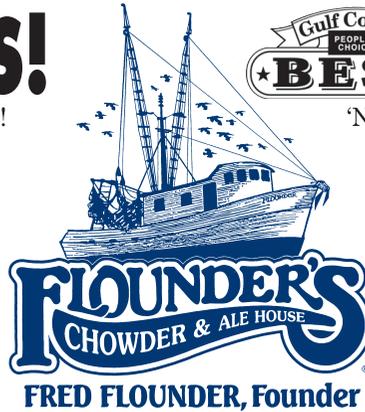


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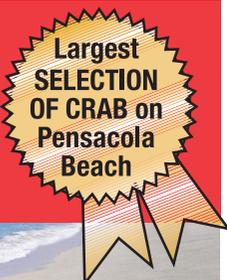
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