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Giving Thanks For No Storms

Wooly Boogers Kiss
Hurricane Season Goodbye
at November 20 Bawl



Tucked away in every corner of Pensacola Beach are members of the Wooly Booger Social Club who vowed in June to keep the hurricanes far from the white sandy shores of their Island paradise. With a mixture of good fortune and Beach voodoo, the island tribe is claiming victory over Mother Nature on November 20 during the Kiss The Hurricane Season Goodbye Bawl. Among the Wooly Boogers who will be at the Bawl are (Back row, L to R): Albert Steachman, G. Cole and Bob Dority. (Middle row, L to R): Chuck Steele, Renee Mack, Offshore Chuck Crowder, Wooly-Booger-in-Training Chris, Kim Schmitz, Amy DePew, Melissa and Keith Overlade, and Stump Jones. (Front row, kneeling) are: Cullen Stanley, Kim LoBue and Jeff Scomp. If you love the Beach and hate hurricanes, the Wooly Boogers invite you to party with them. For more on this story, see page two.

Wooly Booger Magic Dust Blows Hurricanes Away

Who dat gonna chase dem hurricanes away? The famous Beach VooDoo Queen Shugah and her band of spell binders, the Wooly Boogers. That's who. Pensacola Beach experienced a rare season this year when all the named storms through Tomas went simpering off into the Atlantic Ocean and elsewhere, sent there by the incantations of the Boogers magic spells.

Now, it is time to celebrate at the Kiss The Hurricane Season Goodbye Bawl at Paradise Bar and Grill at 5 p.m. on Saturday, November 20. If this party has an ending time, the Wooly Boogers don't know when it is. It is not necessary to be a Wooly Booger to attend the Bawl. It helps if you have any spare gris gris, good luck charms and voodoo talismans. Bring them to the Bawl.

Queen Shugah has something everyone at the event as her outgoing party favor.

The tradition of old sheets emblazoned with spray painted messages like those which have hung over Beach house balconies during the uprising will decorate the room. Some will proclaim "Wooly Booger for President," or "Wooly Boogers Pay Taxes, Twice." The homespun décor will recreate the Beach scene as it was at the height of the insurrection.

Few stories can top the one in 1981, when the Beach family took on the Deputy-in-Charge of the Beach sub station - - and won.

Here is the proud recounting of how the Wooly Boogers got their name.

The name, Wooly Booger, was attached to members of the Beach family who the Deputy-in-Charge of the Beach, Roy Wilson, in 1981 considered unsavory. He indiscriminately detained and arrested innocent people who were just standing on Derelict Corner, or entering or exiting a bar. Or even jay walking. Or for some other bizarre crime. The tension between the Beach folks and the officer became tenuous to the point that a Grand Jury hearing was arranged for the deputy. After testimony from the Beach family members, he lost his job at the sub station, and became famous Island lore.

Although the Beach family had been successful in running him off the Island, they never did anything about their victory until Les Cieutat, founded the Wooly Booger Social Club in 1996, fifteen years after the original bruha. Wooly Boogers showed up from everywhere to join the group; certifiable, wanna-bes, woulda-beens and shoulda-beens. Les, His High Wooliness, directed the Boogers at all their fundraising and charitable contributions until his death in 1999. At the time, he passed away, he was working hard on the second Kiss The Hurricane Season Goodbye Bawl. The Wooly Boogers went into more or less permanent mourning for their leader, and,

now emerge only twice each year to proclaim their victory or agonize over their defeat in fending off major storms.

And now, the annual tribal dance of thanks and Wooly Booger pride is here once again.

The decorations, the food, the music and the review of old memories will lead to the coronation of Queen Shugah. She has been selected at a solemn conclave of past queens. This meeting features a small amount of serious deliberation and a whole lot of wine. The new queen will receive the historic tiara, worn by many queens before

her and other items of great value including a small bottle of tequila and a bejeweled sheriff's badge. The new queen whose duties are few, actually only one, keep the hurricanes away from Pensacola Beach, will begin her reign on December 1.

You may offer her sympathy, encouragement, or pledge your loyalty to her cause when her identity is revealed at the Bawl.

And Queen Shugah Shelley steps down from her exalted throne with a toast to all her tribal members, "May the Island breezes be

gentle and only soft rains fall from Heaven in 2011."

A special Blues trio from Gulfport will play for dancing at the Bawl, Michael Vincent and Doubleshot. He and his band members, Dave Hewitt and Gator McLaughlin, are popular all over the country.

Overlooking the shenanigans from his position in an urn high atop a shelf in Paradise will be His High Wooliness Les Cieutat. He left his beloved Beach and his Boogers in 1999, but his legend lives on...and on...

Now Is The Time To Renew Your Bridge Pass

If you think you can scoot past the bridge trolls by not renewing your annual pass before December 31, you are in for a rude awakening. Go through any toll booth, or to the Santa Rosa Island Authority office or website and pick up your application. Mail it or deliver it. But, get 'er done.

All active passes can be renewed now until December 31. New annual passes may be purchased at the SRIA office beginning January 4, 2011.

SRIA sales office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday through 2010. From January 4 to January 31 it will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. The office will be closed for federal holidays.

The pass is \$50 and can be paid for with cash, check, money order or by credit card which will carry a service fee. Make checks payable to the Escambia County BCC.

A few rules to remember are

that motorcycles must be driven to the SRIA parking lot to secure passes. Also, passes are never prorated. And they can't be used on any other bridge.

Annual passes not attached by an authorized employee will be cancelled. Passes attached by Velcro, duct tape or gorilla glue will also be cancelled.

Pick up your application today and fill it out. It's a quick procedure while the crowds are still small.



WONDERFUL AND ONE HUNDRED

Nellie Bryan celebrated her 100th birthday November 2 at a party in Gulf Breeze hosted by her granddaughter Robin Vickrey. Nellie will be honored with a proclamation from the Santa Rosa Island Authority, a party hosted by the Pensacola Beach Church congregation and a luncheon on November 18 at the Pensacola Beach Woman's Club. Nellie, a beach resident since 1965, moved to Gulf Breeze after Hurricane Ivan.

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Barefoot on the Beach

By Jane Waters Cooper



I am notorious for looking on the bright side. Since I am not a turkey, I can let my Pollyanna thoughts go wild.

Not only am I not a turkey, I also am not a foodie which makes Thanksgiving a day to give thanks and watch football. Oh, I have eaten my share of turkey and gravy and cranberries and pecan pie. So who cares if I have always had to choke the turkey down, while I thought of all those hapless, innocent unattractive birds playing with their peers in the turkey yard or trying to dodge the hunters' bullets. That part of Thanksgiving does not reinforce my bright side

of the world.

Forget turkeys. Think big. Like the complete absence of hurricanes. Now that is something to be thankful for. This season was phenomenal as Mother Nature turned every storm away from our shores. Thanks, Mom. Or was it the faithful and undaunting efforts of the Woolly Boogers who said, "Beach people have had enough. They will not have to tie down their lawn furniture or take their flowers inside. They will not have to move to hotels either temporarily or semi-permanently. The Hurricane Gods listened to the Woolly Boogers. This was undoubtedly

Beach Legion Event Scores Big For Veterans Charities

Dozens of putters lined up to test their skills during the American Legion's Putt Putt Outing, October 23 at Tiki Island Golf and Games. Stuart Milburn earned the title of Best Beach Putter. Milburn was awarded \$100 for his low score, but promptly donated the prize money back to the American Legion to support their veterans' charity programs.

"This event was a tremendous success," said Jeff Goudey, American Legion Sergeant-At-Arms and event coordinator. "We surpassed last year's donations."

Goudey noted that although the number of teams was less,

sponsoring beach businesses and individuals had risen dramatically.

"This is the highest amount we have ever earned," he said. "Based on that, it is going to be a good Christmas for those in the Veterans Nursing Home this year."

The Pensacola Beach American Legion meets at the Pensacola Beach Elk's Lodge monthly. Officers, along with Goudey, are: Tom Fitzgerald, Commander; Neil Schneider, Vice Commander; Turk Watson, Adjutant; Bud Glakin, Finance and Chaplain.

For more information about the Beach Legion Post, email at fitzgerald346@aol.com.

a summer to remember when not one single hurricane threatened our peace. I am so thankful for that, Queen Shugah.

No, I did not forget the oil spill...the incident that turned our summer economy to embers and destroyed hundreds of businesses and lifestyles. Be thankful that it is mostly over now. We are getting back on track. Although I did not have the misfortune to be running a business as the oil spill loomed over our shores, I still would have been grateful that my building was not leveled as in a hurricane. I would be thankful that BP is beginning to pay some claims and will continue to do so or will be faced with a barrage of lawsuits. Give thanks that the damage the national media did to the State of Florida with its horror stories of oil on the sandy beaches are gone now. Be thankful that these dispatches are being cleaned up and can be remedied. Give thanks that tomorrow will be better.

Then there is the political climate on the Beach. Be thankful that the Island Authority handles most of the problems, major and minor. Give thanks that problems of neighbors squabbling over noisy nights will be resolved. If we must pay ad valorem taxes, be thankful that we will probably have the opportunity to own our piece of land. And Fee Simple Title may lead to bigger and better things for Pensacola Beach.

And there's the Master Plan for beautifying and improving Pensacola Beach which has been on the back burner for a while. Completing the improvements called for in the plan, mean thanks should go out to the individuals who have created this beautiful possibility.

And if you haven't given thanks or perhaps even noticed that the once flooded streets on the island are now draining, perhaps you should give thanks and take notice.

Just think of all the wonderful things we have going for us. Superb festivals and events - -concerts, Mardi Gras on the Island, Christmas parades and Santa Claus sitting in every sand dune. We have the very first Margaritaville Beach Hotel in the world. Two thriving churches and an extremely high level school. Great civic groups like the Pensacola Beach Advocates, Optimists and Woman's Club. All these and oodles and kaboodles more right here on Pensacola Beach.

Add all this to the natural beauty which surrounds us every day. Many folks who are pushing their snow shovels wish they were as lucky as we are.

If you thought you didn't have anything to be thankful for this year, think again.

Remember your mother always told you to say "thank you" for every gift you received. Not a bad idea. And just be so happy you are not a turkey.

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Robert Rinke Proposes New Concert Series

Plan Includes Landscaping and Trolley Changes

Robert Rinke, Pensacola Beach developer, brought a three pronged request to the Santa Rosa Island Authority at their Full Board meeting on November 3. Rinke's not-for-profit proposal is designed to give the beach an uplift and the face lift it needs, to attract guests at all levels.

"New things will improve our market niche," said Board member Vernon Prather. "We have come a long way since Ivan. We put it all together - resort style landscaping, trolleys, events to draw people. It is a total package. A lot of forward thinking."

An eight to twelve week concert series topped the list on Rinke's presentation. He provided the following information:

- Live music on a stage located at Casino Beach
- The series would be weekly for 8 to 12 weeks on Saturday nights beginning in March
- Beach would only be closed off in that area from 8 to 11 p.m.
- Expectations would be to host 15,000 to 20,000 concert goers from the Pier to Crabs
- Tickets would be free to hotel guests and for sale to locals at a reasonable price like \$15
- The Live Entertainment

Committee would hire a promoter to actually handle the concert and all the details of its promotion and administration. The books and financial aspects of the concert series would be open at all times for inspection.

Rinke noted that this would be an SRIA event with the Island Authority in control of it.

Secondly, Rinke asked for a Committee to discuss his project to plant 3,000 palm trees on Via de Luna and Ft. Pickens Road. This project would be funded by the excess lease fees paid by Portofino. The Authority now holds this money in an Island Beautification Fund.

Rinke's third request was to bring back the colorful, open air trolleys which, he feels, were far more fun and aesthetically pleasing than the ones now in use.

"We need the fun factor on the Beach," Rinke said. "I would like to research double-decker open air trolleys."

Rinke pointed out that any shortfall from the concerts could be compensated from the Island Beautification Fund. Dottie Ford, SRIA director of finance, reported that the fund now has a total of \$1,304,000.

"I would like to see something beautiful come to this island like

landscaping and I am pleased to be a part of this," said Tammy Bohannon, SRIA chairman.

Most board members agreed, but asked Rinke to bring a more detailed plan to the next meeting. Dr. Thomas Campanella, made a motion to send the ideas to the Special Projects Committee which in turn would select committees to consider each of the three proposals.

The Board denied the request of Larry Porto to use an ATV to take equipment from Margaritaville Hotel to the beach. The matter of allowing ATV traffic on the Beach came down to safety and the Board voted five to one to deny with Chairman Tammy Bohannon voting against the motion.

The board decided to appoint a committee to help solve the noisy wedding problem they have been wrestling with for more than a year. Committee members are: Sherrie Snider, Joe Billingsly, Monica Kellner and Ray Ascherfeld. Consultants to the committee will be

Robert Beasley, attorney for the rental house owners; Mike Stebbins, SRIA attorney; Lt. Rodney Eddins, Escambia County Sheriff's Department; Tammy Bohannon, Buck Lee and Bob West of the SRIA.

The committee is expected to come up with a resolution at the December 15 meeting.

SRIA Executive Director Buck Lee said in his report that a new piece of heavy equipment will be seen on the beach, a sand sifter that works twice as fast as the present Sand Shark.

"The sand sifting operation will take 60 to 90 days," Lee estimated. "If they can get it all done by the end of January, I'll be happy."

Lee is anxious to have the beach cleaned by the beginning of the next summer season.

Lee noted that it has been twenty-seven years since the board received a raise. "We are recommending the stipend they receive be raised to \$800 per month," he said.

Maureen LaMar, manager of

the Visitor's Center, told the Board that the Center saw an increase of 1162 more visitors this October than last.

"We had guests from Germany, England and Columbia," she said. "And our local top states were Florida, Louisiana, Alabama, Tennessee and Georgia."

The meeting was adjourned with an affirmative answer to Dr. Thomas Campanella's request to honor Nellie Bryan in a proclamation. The longtime beach resident celebrated her 100th birthday on November 2. She will also be recognized on the reader board at the request of Lynda Knell, Woman's Club president.

Nellie is the widow of Ruepert Bryan, whose successful lawsuit against the county in 1987 stopped ad valorem taxation on Pensacola Beach.

The next meeting of the Authority will be the committees on November 17 at the SRIA at 5 p.m. All meetings are open to the public.

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by Kathi Lewis



After my last trip to Biloxi, I think I need to travel with different friends or go to a different casino. Am I just paranoid or are they watching us? Maybe they just don't realize how much fun a Sister of the Beach can stir up on a good day.....Oh, well.

While I don't consider myself a fashion coordinator, I do know that it's just plain wrong to be wearing a blanket anywhere other than your own home. So, let me do everyone a favor and save you some money. If you are sitting outside somewhere in public and you are cold, you can wear your coat backwards. Poof - you have an instant snuggie! If you are at home and you are cold, you can do the same thing with your bathrobe. Wearing your coat or bathrobe backwards works just as well and looks a whole lot better. Someone probably saw me do that and then (Lord help me) invented that whole 'blanket with sleeves' concoction. Personally, I don't believe anyone should leave home wearing a blanket (sleeves or not)

unless it is part of a costume or covered with magic dust.

So, now that I've saved you \$20, add another \$10 to it and join the Krewe of Wrecks. It's the best money you will ever spend and you get to visit and socialize with like-minded people every week on Monday night. That's a much better way to spend your money and I'm pretty sure you won't need a blanket while you're there. Besides, buying a blanket won't help us promote the Mardi Gras Parade but joining the Krewe of Wrecks will.

Or even cheaper, join the Wooly Booger Social Club. It's free and you get to attend two Bawls a year. First comes the "Kiss the Hurricanes Away this Season Bawl" and each November is the time to celebrate the "Kiss the Hurricane Season Goodbye Bawl." Now that's not only entertainment, but it serves a vital and important service to the entire Gulf Coast.

The story of how we got to be Wooly Boogers is recounted on

page 2 of this edition, so read it. Here's the royal lineage that no one seems to remember. The first coyol couple were Barry and Glenda McCleary. Then Manny Friedman was crowned King, but he abdicated the throne immediately to J. R. and Louise Turner. Next in line were Judy and Chuck L'Oignon. And it was Queen Shugah #3 Judy who said, "There will be no hurricanes during my reign!"

Thus began the entire tradition of Queen Shugah being charged with the major task of keeping all hurricanes away from Paradise. But for those eight little words, we would have suffered many more storms than have actually reached our little island and our Queens would have had a less difficult reign.

Not all Queen Shugahs were experts at storm management, as a couple of major ones have slipped through over the years. That's when we realized we needed Queens familiar with some hoodoo voo-doo in order to get the job done. And, so the reign of the Wooly's continued with Rita Perry and Bernie Grimes. After losing Bernie during his reign, we decided that Kings were really not necessary as the Queen Shugah's do all the hard work anyway.

Next reigning Queen Shugah was Paulette Provost, who passed her tiara, knowledge and power to Queen Shugah Renee Mack. Queen Renee passed her tiara (not sure about wisdom and power) to yours truly. I slid through the season on a wing and a prayer before

gratefully crowning our currently reigning Queen Shugah #8 Shelley Johnson.

Who will wear the Sacred Tiara next? You'll have to join us on Nov. 20, at Paradise Bar around 5 p.m. to find out. It's time to celebrate the end of our most dreaded season, pay homage to our Queen Shugah and breathe a sigh of relief as we crown our next dedicated magical Queen.

Right now it's time to cook.....

Wooly Booger Stew

3# - round steak, cubed
4 cans beef broth
2 cans cream of mushroom soup/herbs
1 med. onion, chopped
2 stalks celery, chopped
2 small potatoes, cubed
4/5 Carrots, sliced (or baby carrots)
Fresh mushrooms, sliced
2 tbsp. cornstarch

In a large Dutch oven, brown beef cubes with onion. Add broth, mushroom soup, celery, potatoes and carrots. Bring to a boil, then simmer covered until veggies are tender. Add mushrooms and continue cooking until tender, adding water as needed.

Stew can be slightly thickened by slowly adding cornstarch mixed with 1/4 cup water.

Serve over cooked pasta noodles with cheesy bread. Serves a whole buncha Wooly Boogers.

Enjoy, share and join the celebration!

See ya in the kitchen.....

Letters to the Editor



SOB BOXES OF LOVE MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

Ladies,

Thank you all, the packages just got here. I will be out of this country soon, but I have to go to a few other places before I get home. It is part of the process.

Just want you to know that Pensacola Beach was well represented and I think we will have some visitors coming over when the weather warms back up.

As always you have done an outstanding job and my Soldiers and I appreciate it.

I will be home before Christmas and will be out and about with my wife Dawn.

I love you ladies, thank you.

Matt

First Sergeant Matthew Drees P.S.

Tell the PBES kids we got the cards and we all loved them. Thanks bunches.

Free To Good Home - Turtle Posters

Some of the best things in life are free and here is one of them. Floridians are eligible for a free set of five posters, one for each species of sea turtle found in Florida's waters.

The project was funded by the Sea Turtle License Plate Grant program which allow Sea Turtle Conservancy to mail one free set of posters to addresses in Florida, additional sets can be requested for the cost of postage.

The 24 x 36 posters depict the different life stages of the loggerhead, green, leatherback, hawksbill and Kemp's ridley.

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Mostly Nuts & Bolts

By
Candace Segar

Boot Camp is everything I thought it would be, and then some. I have gone two and a half weeks without refined sugar. This has had a significant impact on the fat reserves in my body. The muscles are coming back at a much faster rate than I had expected at 57-years-old; so much so, that my running partner and I along with another twosome, took first place in the "Chariot Race."

Now let me explain what a chariot race actually involves. My running partner is 30-years-old, a sprinter and fiercely competitive. I am 57-years-old, not a sprinter, but can run forever slowly. I am fiercely competitive, too. We had a practice run on Wednesday. Cheryl had us in first place, and I dropped us down to third out of 14 groups. Hmmm – neither one of us liked that. So, what to do? What to do?

Go into engineering mode, analyze the situation, provide all good possible solutions.

Let me digress for a minute. The Chariot Race is composed of two people. The person in front is essentially the horse. The front person has a strap around their waist with handles at each end. The back person has a hold of the handles and provides resistance. This gives a good work out to both groups.

Switching the strap from the front woman to the back woman is an awkward process. Ha – time lost here! I worked out a smooth transition process in my mind. We practiced and perfected it 'til we had it down to a fine art.

Next, I examined the order. Let the fastest sprinter go last. Let me go first. No problem with switching positions.

Finally, I needed a little more slack when I am in the horse position. My partner was stronger than I and could rein me in too much (pun intended). All problems solved.

The day of our big race had an additional twist. We had another team of two with us. They went out first, and we were in fifth place out of seven groups. Well, my brain went into swim-meet-relay-mode. I took off and started passing the other teams. We were in first when we began to make the switch. The transition was smooth, and my partner flew dragging me with her. My legs were running like there was no tomorrow. We left everyone in our dust and claimed victory. Our relay team members were beside themselves with joy.

And, you know what the best part is? I am getting healthier and happier with each step I take!

A Glimpse of Heaven

By Father Paul Lambert
St. Ann's Catholic Parish

There seems to be an overnight transformation each year. The second Halloween is over, the stores are filled with the Thanksgiving and Christmas fare. 'Tis the season... to be overwhelmed. Between various charity drives, school functions, and holiday craze, we become engulfed in a whirlwind of activity as we launch into the Christmas season. Amidst all that is going on we need to spend some time in reflection or else we may miss the fruits that God wants to give us.

Thanksgiving, a holiday celebrating the pilgrims arrival into the

new world. Let us take some time to reflect on the pilgrimage that we are currently traversing. Though we do not seek religious freedom in a new land, but the promise of freedom from sin.

At times we think that God has given us these intense desires and then told us not to act on them. Sin is merely getting a passing grade. The reality is sin deprives us of our humanity. When we say "that is only human nature," we are speaking in error. We were not meant to lie, to hurt, to steal, to take advantage of, we were meant to live in the truth

that to follow God's commandments and the Beatitudes is to live in the image of God's immense love. At times we have been victorious in our battles over sin, and yet we are not quite there.

Let us give thanks this season for the gift of salvation granted to us. We are a pilgrim people. We have already tasted the Kingdom, a life free from the corruption of sin and immersed in pure joy, but have yet to reach the Heavenly gates. Let's give thanks for the journey of life we walk together toward eternal life.

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The young scholars at Pensacola Beach Elementary School who have earned top scores for the first nine week grading period are as follows:

Kelli Moyer's First Grade Class

A Honor Roll

Charlie Atkins
Gracie Clay
Sean Connors
Skylar Farej
Ryan Johnson
Kacie May
Savannah Persky
Nicholas Sampson
Dylan Seeker
Erin Wang

A-B Honor Roll

Laken Harvey
Debbie Campanella's 2nd Grade

A Honor Roll

Austin Burkett
Kai Hoffert
Max Mateer
Ryland McCurdy
John Turk

A-B Honor Roll

Hannah Buchalter
Alana DePascalis
Taylor Farej
Lauren Feltenberger
Libbie Friedrich
Barrett Heritage
Jude Hunter
Mia Montgomery
James Parks
Shyanne Plough
Jocelyn Reeves
Gabby Rice
Lauren Thompson

Joy McLaurine's 3rd Grade Class

A Honor Roll

Sofie Babcock
Sophie Faircloth
Erin Johnson
Matthew McCurdy
John Morris
Jon Sawyer Smith

A-B Honor Roll

Ella Amos
Tanner Braxton
Ocean Collins
Grant Gaiennie
Cali Hargrove
Chloe Kauffman
Kimberly Noble
Dylan Renfroe
Tekoah Roby
Caleb Sampson

Anthony Satirion

Tara Turk's 4th Grade Class

A Honor Roll

Madison Clay
Chloe Huntley
Clay Clifton
Hannah May
Thomas Niven
Grace Reece
Emily Wang
McGuire Wolfe

A-B Honor Roll

Carlee Amberson
Patrick Cronin
Katarina Denton
Wren Deputy
Maison Harrell
Anna Jacobs
Cayson McCurdy
Annabelle Owens
Ashley Price
Isabella Rice
Sophia Slobodian
Joshua Thompson
Sydney Truax
Margie Pitt's 5th Fifth Grade Class

A Honor Roll

Blair Amberson
Avery Gibson
Abby Jacobs
Macy Mateer
Meredith McCurdy
Justin Smoker
Katelyn Stahl

Lauren Stokes
John Sweet
Zofia Uszok

A-B Honor Roll

Bryce Callahan
Jeffrey Doyle
Taylor Duhe
Heidi Elkins
Kelsey Gallagher
Caroline Hadden
Hanah Mabire
Ali Salazar
Grayson Smith

WHERE IN THE WORLD?

Gulf Breeze Middle School students will soon be participating in the Geography Bee, December 3 on campus. Forty-two students will take part in the School-wide Bee in the library. Ten finalist will compete on December 10, 2010, where a school winner is announced. In January, the School Bee winner will take a test to attempt to qualify for the State of Florida Geography Bee to be held in Jacksonville in April.

SCHOOL ANNUALS

Pensacola Beach School yearbooks can be ordered for \$20 prior to December 17. Businesses may purchase an 1/8 page ad for \$20 or a 1/4 page ad for \$30. Contact Rob Montgomery at rob@montgomery-realtors.com for details.

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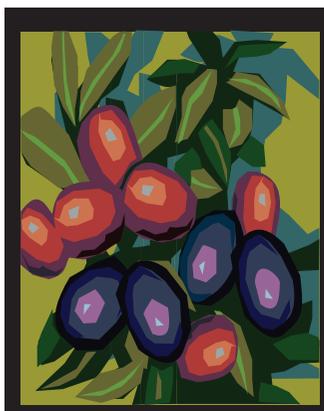


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Full Steam Ahead, Wrecks Sail Into Carnival Season

The Wrecks are rolling along one hundred and one strong as of their November 8 meeting at The Dock. Melanie Waite, Sec-Wreck said, "We are way ahead of last year's membership. We have lots of renewals and some new, young members."

The krewe welcomed 2010 Deckhand Robert Drees, Chris Shearman, Heather Hayes and Travis Talley to the ranks of the Wrecks. They are among the 27 new members.

Running Around Wreck Jeff Goudey announced over the din of laughter and clinking ice cubes that the members will be able to purchase Champagne Breakfast and Grand Costume Ball tickets as well as join the all-important committees. Sign up sheets will be available to volunteer for the ball, breakfast, parade or red beans and rice team at the upcoming meetings.

"This is how it all gets done," said Goudey. "Being on one of these committees is a good time."

The Wrecks never pass up a good time, so they have put Jim Knell in charge of their entry into the Beach Chamber's Surfing Santa Holiday parade on December 12. Anyone who wants to ride on the Wrecks float should contact Knell at jamesknell@gmail.com.

The latest in the trivia craze that's sweeping the beach is Mardi Gras trivia. Winners Chrissy Cook, Lynda Knell, Lois Jernigan, and Lila

Bananimals Ready to Add New Members to Den, Pack and Flock

According to some of the top bananas the Krewe of Bananimals, is seeking a few good additions to their pack. The requirements are few, but strict.

"You must like to party, dance, costume, ride a Mardi Gras float, and meet fun people with big hearts," said Darlene Larkin.

If that's you, check further into membership at seabrez1@bell-south.net or 850-525-3317.

Cox have been reaching way back in their mental archives and coming up with the correct answers. Mike Cook did not have to answer any questions, he only had to be lucky to win the 50/50 on Monday night. He waltzed out of the meeting with \$75.

The Wrecks are planning their annual Holiday Food Drive for Manna to be collected at the December 13 and 20 meetings. Members should bring non-perishable food items.

The krewe is still accepting members. Dues are \$30 and can be paid at any Monday night meeting. The next meeting will be at the historic Islander Lounge at 6 p.m. November 22.

Mardi Gras 2010-2011

Krewe of Wrecks Meetings

Begin at 6 PM

November 22	The Islander
November 29	Grand Marlin
December 6	PegLeg Pete's
December 13	Paradise
December 20	Flounder's
December 27	Hemingway's
January 3	Lillo's
January 10	Paddy O'Leary's
January 17	Castaways
January 24	The Break
January 31	BullFeathers
February 7	Bamboo Willie's
February 14	Crab's
February 21	Elk's Lodge

Pensacola Beach Events

January 8	Krewe of Nereids King Cake Party, Paradise
January 28	Krewe of Nereids Moon Pie Party, 7 p.m. Sandshaker
January 29	Krewe of St. Patrick Ball, MySpace
February 5	Krewe of Nauga Champagne Breakfast, Dock, 10:30
February 5	Krewe of Brewe Beach Babe Shaker, 2 p.m.
February 12	Krewe of Nereids Masquerade Ball
February 19	Krewe of Bananimals & Brewe Black Tie Ball
February 26	Kids & Kritters Parade, 11 a.m., Fire Station - Church
February 26	Krewe of Wrecks Ball, Elk's Lodge
February 28	Queen's Dinner, Flounders
February 28	Kings Supper, Elk's
March 5	Champagne Breakfast, Crabs
March 6	Krewe of Wrecks Parade
March 7	Red Beans and Rice Luncheon
March 8	Krewe of Coma Sandshaker

More details to come.
Some events require tickets & membership

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BYTES AND BITS

By Joe Stukey
Your Computer Pal

Q: "When will Microsoft have a new Windows System?"

A: Look for something new in about two years, possibly late 2012. For marketing purposes, Microsoft is usually very quiet about when new operating system software will be released. Currently the new software is called Windows 8, but that could change before final release. Microsoft's Dutch subsidiary is said to be working on it, and there have also been reports that Microsoft has been advertising for new employees to work on Windows 8.

Microsoft does not want to cut into their sales of Windows 7 by causing customers to delay

purchases until the new software is released. Since October 2009, when Windows 7 was released, 240 million copies have been sold. The customer base for Operating Systems software is now using 60% Windows XP, 17% Windows 7, and 13% Windows Vista. In one year, the new Windows program has exceeded the total sales for Vista, which was considered by many to be an inferior product.

Over the next year or so, expect to hear more from Microsoft about "the cloud", which refers to technology that transforms computing from the traditional hardware and software to new devices that

provide services and information through the internet. The cloud concept focuses on appliances that provide social connectivity, real-time experiences and high-quality media streams. Windows 8 will likely be designed to include the cloud technology. To be successful with another major software release, they will have to keep their eyes on Apple. Apple's advances in handheld devices are sure to have Microsoft's attention.

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

Beach Church Hosts Bingo

Pensacola Beach Church is hosting Bingo the first and third Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A \$20 ticket buys 20 Bingo sheets with three cards on each. Cash prizes are awarded.

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HERE'S THE BOOTY

PegLeg Pete the Pirate has a treasure for sale in the famous

Ft. Pickens Road establishment.

An authentic Pensacola Beach Christmas ornament, created by local artist Nina Fritz,

is on sale now. This is a replica of the ornament commissioned by the former First Lady Laura Bush which hung on the White House Christmas tree in 2008. Get one before they are all gone.



HELP THE KIDS

Pandora de Balthazar is gathering her elves for the annual Breakfast with Santa event hosted for area children in foster care. She needs volunteers and donations of gifts and cash. If you have time to volunteer or want to do a little Christmas shopping, contact her at 850-432-4777.

LEARN ABOUT THE SPILL

BP is hosting a public forum, Thursday, November 18 at 2 p.m. in the County Chambers, 221 Palafox Place. Topics to be covered include:

Beach cleaning activities, seafood quality, and wildlife and natural resources. Representatives from BP, the United States Coast Guard, NOAA, Fish & Wildlife, GCIMT - Environmental Advisors, and Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Protection have been

invited to attend and participate in the forum.

KOWABUNGA DUDE

Surfing Santa splashes down at Surf Burger, Saturday, December 4 at 8 a.m. Bring your wish lists and

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Take it out of the oven and take the bones out. (You can't chew bones.) That's it! I pretty much eat with everyone in my family.
By: Aiden Bebout

Get the turkey from a farm. Kill it with 2 guns glued together. That's how my Papa does it! Spray the pan so it can cook. Put it on there. Make the oven hot 15 degrees. Cook it for 60 hours and let it cool down. Eat it on a plate. With a fork. Cut it with a knife. It costs \$3.00
by Colten Barnhill

Get a turkey at Publix. Bake it in the "stove" on 62 degrees.

It cooks for like an hour. Eat it with corn, peas and strawberry pie. I have Thanksgiving with my Mimi and Grandma, Dad and Mom and my brother, Tyler.
By: Gracyn Phelps

Get a turkey from Wal-Mart. Cook it on the grill on warm for 9 minutes. Put it on a regular plate. You can have fries, corn, mashed potatoes, carrots and cheesecake with it. I eat it with my family. Oh! You can also go to a restaurant.
By: Benjie Shehane

Get your turkey from Publix. Put salt on it. You cook it at 10 degrees for 20 seconds. Serve it with some kind of sauce and broccoli. (We have 1 vegetable with every meal.) Apple pie is for dessert. One time we tried to make pumpkin pie and it wasn't very good. I have Thanksgiving dinner with my family.
By: Katie Turk

Get your turkey from the store...Wal-Mart!
Cook it on the grill on HOT! Cook it for 3 seconds. I like French dressing with it. I eat with my cousins and relatives.
By: Aaron Sampson

You can go to a barn to get a turkey but my Dad goes in the forest. Go home and cook it in the oven. My Dad has to check to see the temperature is right. It is supposed to be on 39. Cook it for 6 days. We put sour stuff on top of it. I have my own safe knife to use to cut the turkey!
By: Laney Farmer

Hmmm...Get the turkey from England. Bring it home on a boat. Cook it in the oven, but cut it up first. (My Dad does it.) It cooks for 8 days on 7 degrees. You just have turkey- nothing else. I eat with my Mom and my Dad and my sisters.
By: Kyle Farej

My Dad gets a turkey from the turkey store. Take off its Wings and clean it in a bowl of water. Cook it for maybe 44 minutes on like 70 degrees. Eat it with stuff you already have at your house...like

beans. Use a fork. I eat with Nonny and Poppy.
By: Reese Hering

My Mimi gets our turkey. She just puts it in the oven. The temperature is 61 degrees and it cooks for 62 minutes. You have lettuce with it. Eat with your Mom and Dad.
By: Kate Allen

You go to get your turkey from the store. (I think Publix.) You put it on the oven to cook it for 1 hour. The temperature is 5 degrees. I eat it with mashed potatoes, gravy and ice cream. We have Thanksgiving with my Dad, Mom, Sean, Hillary and David.
By: Brooke Connors

Go to Smith's to get the turkey. Cook it in the oven on probably 50 for 5 minutes. Probably eat it with mashed potatoes, Put it on a plate, but don't forget to carve it first!
By: Zoey Thoman

My Dad gets it from a turkey place. It's already dead. Put salt and pepper on it and put it in the oven. The temperature is 6 degrees. It cooks for 10 minutes and then it beeps. We eat it with broccoli, noodles and ice cream for dessert. We go to Pennsylvania.
By: Maggie Feltenberger

I buy the turkey from Wal-Mart. It costs 20 dollars. I cook it for 50 minutes on 40 degrees. Cut it. We eat it with dessert in it. Chocolate on top and marshmallows inside of it. I eat with my brother and sister.
I LOVE IT! I love going outside to eat

on the picnic table.
By: Kendall McCurdy

You get a turkey from a farm I guess. Cook it for 13 hours on 50 degrees. Have corn, apples and pears with it. I eat with my family.
By: Morgan Kronlage

At the turkey store you get the turkey. Put the alive turkey in the oven where he can be cooked and eaten. (Take the skin and feathers off.) It's A LOT of work. Put it on number 13 for about 10 seconds. This is what I eat with it...some fries, chicken, cheese, pickles, spinach and salad. I eat it with my Mom's family and her baby brother, Charlie and my cousins. Alex just won a soccer game!
By: Jon Ryland

My Dad shoots the turkey and puts it in the oven. Put it on 2 degrees for 8 hours. Serve it on a tray with syrup. We like to say the prayers and go blueberry picking and also tear into that turkey!
By: Carly Churchward
My Mom buys it but I don't know where.
Cook it on medium for 40 minutes. Serve it with

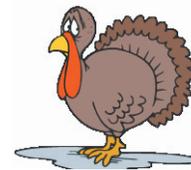
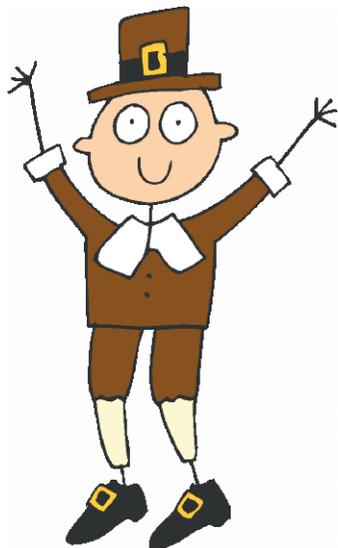
Jennifer Neal's Beach School kindergarten class' recipe for Thanksgiving uses turkey and imagination as main ingredients...

gravy and mashed potatoes and dried cherries...
I LOVE dried cherries!!
I eat it with my Mimi and Sarah Grace.
By: Hollyn Will

I think you get the turkey from the zoo. Cook it outside at the park on a grill or you can put it in the oven.

If you put it in the oven then it has to be 8 degrees for like 20 minutes. Cut it in pieces because it can't be soooo big. Put it in a bag. You could put a bone on top of it- it makes it easier to pick it up so you don't get all "meaty." Have corn, chicken, pizza and cookies with it. Eat it with your Grandmas and Grandpas.
By: Teke Tanksley

You get a turkey at Wal-Mart for 20 cents. Cook it for a long, long day or maybe in a pan for 100 years. Cook it only on 50 degrees for 20 hours and 22 minutes. Put other vegetables in there too like corn, peas and meat. Let the "chicken" cool off and eat it with your Mom and Dad.
By: Jameson Walker



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The Lizzard's TONGUE

by E.K. Hewson



Sometimes in life, we all forget to be thankful for what we have and how truly blessed we are. So I thought I would take a moment and go through a quick list of the top ten things in my life I am thankful for.

#1: Those extra 20 pounds I've been hauling around on my body for the past few years. All I've wanted to do is get rid of them and never once have I thought about what they represent: a full recovery from a serious hip injury.

#2: Legos on the living room carpet. Colorful plastic bricks in all shapes and sizes cover my living room carpet making it difficult to walk from one side of the room to the next. My list of household chores, however, is now shorter because vacuuming this room is virtually impossible.

#3: Traffic on the way to work.

I have a job I truly enjoy and a paycheck every two weeks.

#4: Unidentifiable moldy leftovers in the back of my refrigerator. Wow, I not only had the ingredients and the time to cook and feed my family dinner, but the luxury of allowing the extras to go to waste.

#5: Dental appointments scheduled at the most inopportune times. My gums and teeth are healthy and I haven't had an out-of-pocket expense in years.

#6: Completely kaput heat pump. With everything one reads about homes in constant foreclosure, it feels good to be a homeowner in good standing for the past 21 years. Even if it means there is no one else to call when the appliances need to be repaired or replaced.

#7: Empty wine bottles on the kitchen counter. I am still not sure why they never make it into the

recycle bin except to remind me of what a great time I had with my friends solving the world's problems one cork at a time.

#8: Another pair of shoes. The joys of a growing soon-to-be 13-year-old son. The Kid is on his third pair of school shoes since September. Next size up and the Colonel will be wearing The Kid's handed down Topsiders.

#9: Not a free weekend in sight. Swim meets. College entrance examinations. Robotics competitions. Awards ceremonies. Sure beats meeting with a parole officer.

#10: Snoring husband. A good night's sleep is definitely overrated when you wake up every morning next to the Colonel.

Until next time, have a Happy Thanksgiving and remember to count ALL of your blessings. Even the ones that are hidden.

BigFoot Gets Lost Among Seaoats And Sandspurs

BigFoot was lost before he was found and someone snapped his picture while he was trying to find his way home on Halloween night. Every year at Halloween, Villa Sabine residents host a Haunted Halloween Walk to which they invite everyone, especially scary monsters like BigFoot. This year, the sponsors, who also happen to be hardcore Saints fans, cancelled the event so they could watch the Steelers-Saints game. Only they forgot to tell BigFoot.

So, Kim Schmitz, in her wild imagination sent a message she thought he was in Ft. Pickens at Langdon Battery. However, she

admitted she could be wrong and announced that she did spot BigFoot at DeLuna Fest. The next day her imagination became even wilder as she emailed the following: "Scratch my previous answer. He actually is at Sammy's and you did one of those Photoshop things to trip folks up."

We did no such underhanded thing, but we may keep it in the files for future use.

Now, Pensacola Beach Lifeguard, Dave Greenwood enters the picture. His first message was that BigFoot was walking at the former Spanish Landing. He also scratched his first reply and replaced it with a winner. "He was seen walking in

Villa Sabine." Right; and Dave get the BigFoot t-shirt.

Where will the big hairy guy be next? Keep following his adventures in the *Island Times*. You might win a shirt.

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Lentini Takes Top Spot

Outlasts Atkinson and Gorder for Player of the Month Honors

Big Todd Lentini turned two years of Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun experience into the top spot for October. He earned the Player of the Month title with three wins paired with a few second and third place finishes. Tex Atkinson and Ted Gorder were the runners-up.

Big Todd could not get the cards to fall his way on October 31, however, perhaps they were spooked. He landed in third place behind Phil Tracy and Jerry Grant from Mississippi at Paddy O'Leary's in Pensacola Beach's historic district.

Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun has changed their weekly tourney schedule for winter. Monday night play is at the Shaker at 7 p.m. Paddy's hosts games on Thursday, 7 p.m.; Saturday, 3 p.m.; and Sunday, 5 p.m.

The results from previous games are as follows:

Sandshaker

November 1

1. Diamond Donnie Beall
2. Tommy Grice

November 8

1. James Taylor
2. Tommy Grice

Paddy O'Leary's

November 4

1. Eric Weatherford
2. Donnie Beall

November 6

1. Eric Weatherford
2. Toots Humphrey

November 7

1. Toots Humphrey
2. Russ Patterson

"All you need is a chip and a chair to have fun at these poker tables," said Promoter Rick Uzdevens. "Everyone is welcome to join us, especially in our Thanksgiving tourney."

Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun will host poker on Thursday, November 25 at 7 p.m. at Paddy O'Leary's. Locals and tourists are invited to play. Players need a basic knowledge of poker and must be twenty-one-years-old.

For more information, call the poker hotline at 850-324-2667.



Floridians walked and photographed 823 miles of beaches across the state on November 6 as part of the Great Beach Walk. Photos were posted at VisitFlorida.com. Registrars on Pensacola Beach included Adam Schrock, left, and Robbie Loftly, SRIA events coordinator, right. Pensacola Chamber exec Ed Schroeder, center, checked in on the walk's progress.



The Beach School kids got into the action during the Great Beach Walk, strolling along the mile stretch of Gulf front beach just south of their campus. Fifth grade teacher Margie Pitts shows off their message on the back of her shirt. She is surrounded by her students Grayson Smith, Hanah Mabire and Kelsey Gallagher.

**Kowabunga Breakfast with Surfing Santa
Dec 4 at Surf Burger • 8 to 10:30 a.m.**



Showing off the Great Beach Walk t-shirts they earned on November 6, Krewe of Wrecks members (L to R): Sandi Johnson, Melanie Waite, Lila Cox and DJ Zemenick made that the costume of the day at a recent meeting. The participants walked a designated costume of the beach and uploaded photos to VisitFlorida.com for the entire world to see the clean beautiful beaches.

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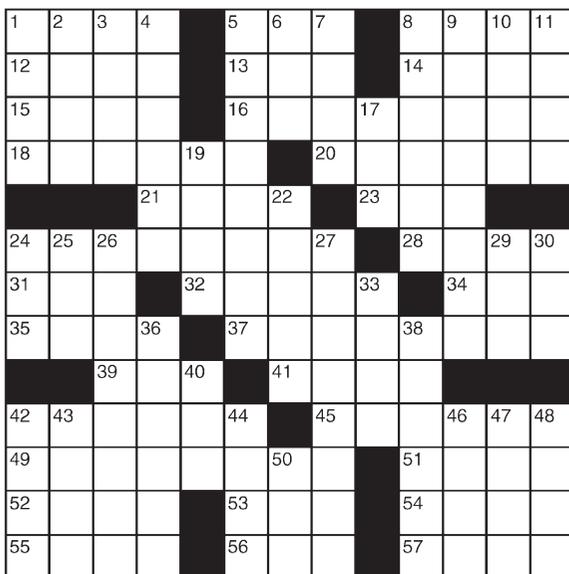
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Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce. Tues, Nov 30, 8:30 a.m. Days Inn. 932-1500

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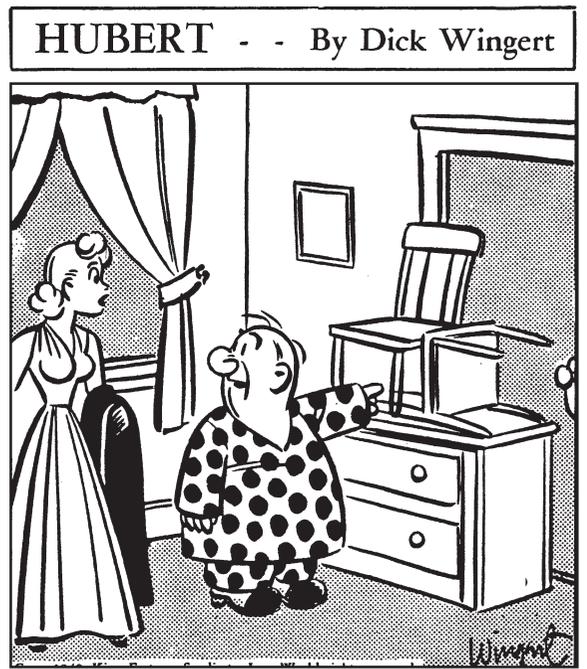
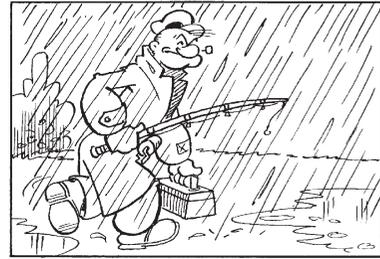
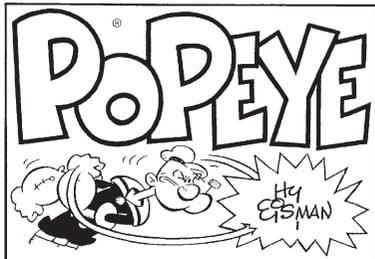
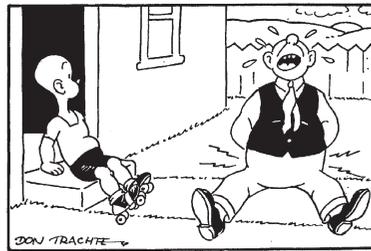
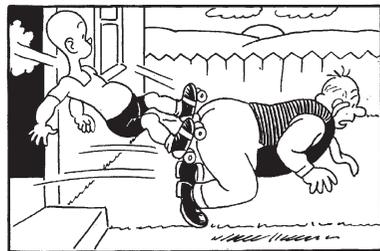
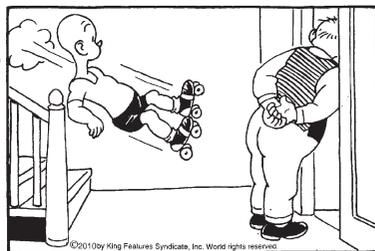
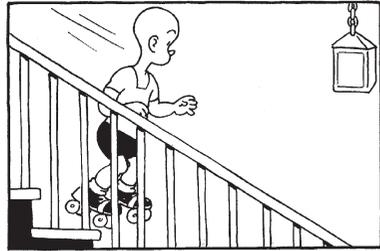
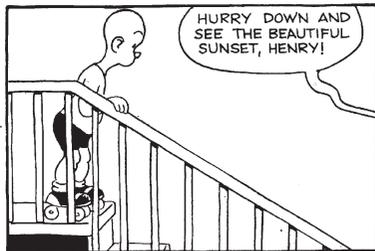
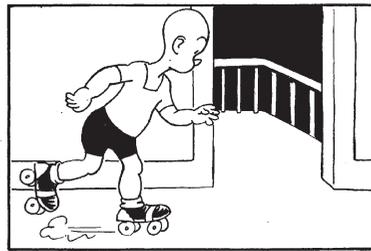
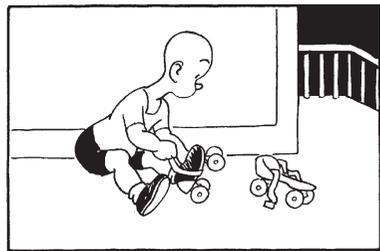
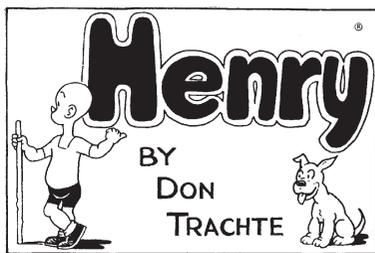
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Shake, Rattle And Roll - It's Shipping Time

Tips for ship shape holiday packing are provided by Linda and Wally Schiessl at the UPS Store in Gulf Breeze.

1) Pack your precious presents in corrugated boxes with plenty of cushioning material. Do not wrap shipping boxes in paper.

2) Liquor boxes are not allowed even if there is no liquor in them. The Post Office cannot accept them either.

3) Shipping of alcohol and tobacco products is prohibited.

4) Bubble wrap all breakable items. Cushion with at least 2 inches of Styrofoam "peanuts" around each item. Peanuts or other packing cushions can be purchased. (Newspaper traditionally has been used. It's a good way to recycle Island Times!) Rule of thumb - when a box is shaken, no sound should be heard.

5) Secure along all seams of the box with shipping tape. Strapping tape is a good option. Masking tape, electrical tape and duct tape should not be used.

6) If box is being reused, remove all previous labels to avoid

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7) Ship early.

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Natives Invite You To A Thanksgiving Noontime Feast

Tom Turkey has given Fred Flounder and some of his friends the day off from work on Thursday, November 25. The following Beach restaurants are closed on Thanksgiving: Flounder's, Crab's, PegLeg Pete's, Paradise Bar and Grill, DJ's Cafe, Lillo's, Castaways and Surf Burger. Restaurants want their staffs to be able to spend the day with their families.

Don't despair, Jesse Brown at The Native Cafe is preparing a Native Thanksgiving meal with turkey, dressing and all the trimmings. The Natives will be there



Shoo Flu - Dr. Tracey Pinkston, right, takes care of the flock. She administered flu shots at the Beach Church, Sunday, November 7 with the help of Carrie Namath, R.N., left, and her office manager Rosemary Donohoe, center.

from 7:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Join the Paddy O'Leary's gang for a late afternoon Thanksgiving dinner. Seamas Hunt and Gary Humprey are cooking turkeys and dressing. They provide the hospitality and you bring a side dish to share. This event is open to everyone and is always a warm, welcoming holiday gathering.

Sidelines will be open. No turkey, but wings to go with the big helping of football.

Too busy to prepare your bird? Call The Break and reserve a Fried Turkey. Orders will be filled

on Wednesday, Nov. 24. This is a beach tradition and it results in a Thanksgiving Eve party with live music.

When you are ready for a post meal cocktail and some big screen sports, drop by the Sandshaker, Sabine Sandbar and The Dock. They all open in the afternoon, so stop in for a cold one.

If you see tourists milling around looking for directions, try to help them. The Visitors Center will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, but opens at 9 a.m. on Friday.

Optimists Support Favor House Meal

The Pensacola Beach Optimist Club is reaching out to share their bounty during the holiday. They are again providing Thanksgiving dinner items for those at Favor House in Pensacola to assist in preparing their own Thanksgiving dinners.

"We would like to thank all of those donating food items and other dinner accessories helping to make this holiday special for those away from their homes," said Optimist Scott Neal, one of the event coordinators. "The Beach Optimists and Favor House have had this Thanksgiving dinner arrangement for several years."

Neal also noted that Publix in Gulf Breeze assists with the collection and storage of these food items prior to the holiday.

Santa Arrives on the Beach at 8 a.m. Dec. 4 at Surf Burger.



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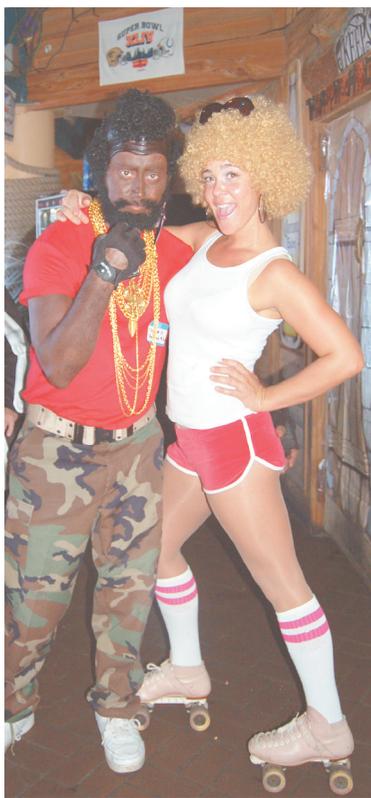
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Shelley Pittman was the luckiest gal on two wheels at the Pub Pedal Poker Run, October 30. She was the first person to get three-of-a-kind in her hand and won the SoCo beach cruiser. The Pub Pedal is hosted by The Islander Lounge and The Break Beach Bar. Proceeds are donated to the Humane Society.



Anne Marie Provost, right, rolled over to visit with Mr. T, during the October 30 Pub Pedal Poker Run stop at The Dock. And, yes, she rode a bicycle wearing roller skates!



Everyone was a super star at The Dock during the Pub Pedal Poker Run, October 30. Dr. April Gerhard, left, was dressed as Madonna with her longtime best friend, Mary Wright, who had her Lady Gaga costume on. A costume contest followed the Pub Pedal at The Break.

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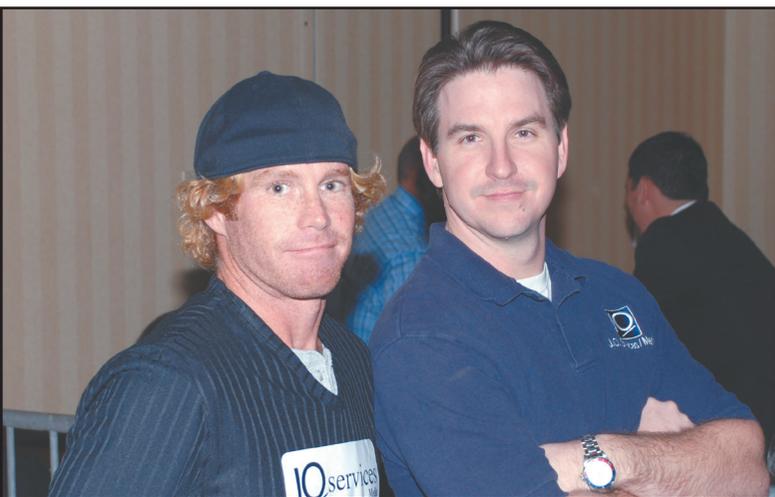
The Flatfish have started their fall movement and tons of them have come up in the shallows and Ft. Pickens is the place to be. Giggling is the way to go and with the calm waters in the evening hours you're sure to go home with some of the best tasting fish our waters have to offer.

If wadin' around is too much trouble for you, try a nice sun-

set walk with your kids. Tie on a grub and go for a walk along our beautiful Island and get some fresh air and maybe even dinner. I don't think you can get that on Xbox, yet, can you?

Happy Turkey Day and don't forget the oyster stuffin'. Back in the day we could bring in the oysters ourselves from the Sound around the bridge, but now you have to visit Maria's Seafood on Cervantes Street. Get 'em by the box or already shucked in pints.

Be thankful for the bounty of our area waters and do yourself a favor and go fishin'.



Island Fight promoters Dylan Donahue, left and Jeb Odom of J.O. Media look out over the capacity crowd in the Hilton ballroom, Friday, November 5. The popular mixed martial arts contest was for amateur fighters from the Pensacola area.
photo by BDJ

Kody Downs of Pensacola prepares for his fight at the Island Fights, November 5 at the Hilton. The mixed martial artist did not win his bout, but will have a chance to redeem himself at a future event. The next event will be Saturday, December 18.



Pensacola Beach's Glenn Windham rounds the first turn at the beginning of the Sheriff Department's In Hot Pursuit 5K Run, November 6. The brisk weather and north wind blew runners through a fast course, and on to a post race party at the Sandshaker Lounge. Proceeds from this event were donated to the Sheriff's Youth Ranch.

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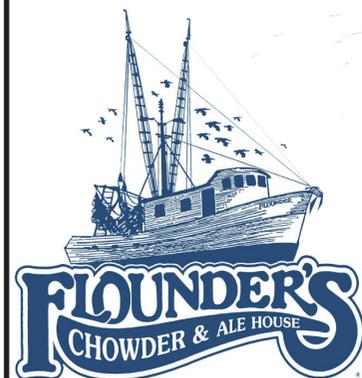
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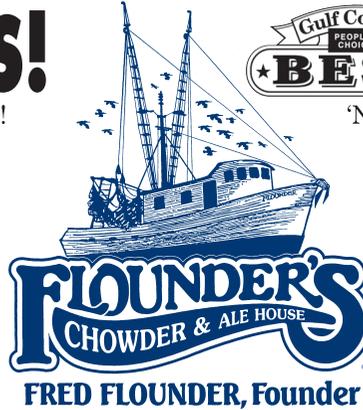
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