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Let's Dance the Monster Mash!



These dancers are so talented, it's scary. Well-accomplished at their art, they are in high demand at the Beach's festivals all year long. After performing at the Chamber's Taste of the Beach and the Art and Wine Festival, the Dancingly Yours dance troupe will dazzle the crowds at the Beach School's Fall Festival, October 26 with an encore performance at the Beach Church's Trunk or Treat, October 28. Under the direction of Beach resident Monette Hodges, the dancers are (front row, L to R): Haylie Lecaroz, Madison Brown and Macy Mateer. Seated on Bench is Elizabeth Spence holding Kayla Cote. Third Row, (L to R): McKaylie Uhl, Ellie Johnson, Ella Kauffman, Emily Johnson and Alana Depascalis. Back Row, (L to R): Cate Hodges, Shelby Dunne, Sage Dunne, Maddie Mateer, Paris Dupuis and Alexis Gray. More fun stuff on Page 2.

Dance Troupe Performing Tricky Routines Proves To Be A Real Treat For Festival-Goers

The brightly costumed Dancingly Yours Dancers are show stoppers. The high energy performers are in high demand at the Beach's premier fall festivals at Pensacola Beach Elementary School, Friday, October 26 and at the Beach Community Church Sunday, October 28.

Fall Festival

The Beach School campus transforms from a place of education to a mecca of entertainment, Friday, October 26 from 5 to 8 p.m. There's something for everyone at the annual event. The festival midway includes a football throw, bounce houses, the potty toss, go fish and the haunted laboratory game, to name a few. There will be prizes for all.

"This is a community event, so feel free to invite friends and family," said Deborah Buchalter, Parent Teacher Association Board secretary. "On this fun filled, family night we will have so many things going on - delicious food provided by our beach community friends, a cake walk, a huge silent auction with many wonderful items. This is our largest annual fundraiser for our school."

The mission of the Beach School PTA is to help to enrich the education of the children and to help the teachers as needed. They give each teacher a classroom supply stipend and have provided enhancements like the SmartBoards in the classrooms.

In addition to the midway full of games, there will be a Costume Contest with a variety of prizes. The Dancingly Yours Dancers will perform and a DJ will spin tunes.

There is a quiet area under the canopy tent which houses the Silent Auction. Although there is no real reason to tiptoe around

the giant prize baskets, bidders try to keep a low profile in order to maintain the winning bid. Each classroom has created a themed basket. Kindergarten has put together the Big Beach Basket. First grade choose a Mardi Gras theme, while second grade is presenting a Food Around the World auction basket. Fishing, tailgating and Blue Wahoos baskets are ready for bids hosted by grades third through fifth.

Pensacola Beach Woman's Club volunteers will be at the ticket booth where you can buy raffle prize tickets along with the Festival tickets necessary to play the games and make refreshment purchases.

The Beach School's Junior Optimist Club is hosting a non-perishable food drive. Each person may donate up to five cans of food and will receive a festival ticket for each can donated.

"We have worked very hard this year to present the best fall festival ever," said Buchalter. "We appreciate the support of the community and the island businesses."

Trunk or Treat Festival

The Pensacola Beach Community Church revs up some festival fun with their longtime tradition of Trunk or Treat, Sunday, October 28 in the Church parking lot from 2 to 4 p.m.

"The congregation members have really gotten into the spirit of decorating their cars and vans for Trunk or Treat," commented Amy Gruszczynski, event chairman. "The kids can walk along, getting treats and enjoying the fantastic decorations at each stop. All in a safe and kid-friendly festival site."

Last year, the Church had over twenty vehicles lined up to hand out treats to the kids. Longtime Beach Church members

Jackie Henderson and Linda Murphy had their vans decked out with Halloween decorations. Every trunk had lots of treats to be delivered to waiting goblins and princesses. There will be a secret panel of judges determining which trunk is the best decorated. The winners will be announced at the festival. The activity is not limited to just Church members, according to Gruszczynski. Community members who would like to participate may contact her to register at 850-291-6364.

"I like to see all the fun and silly costumes," said Gruszczynski. "This is a fun way to trick or treat."

There are no real tricks at the Beach Church's festival, but the treats are abundant. Organizers will have a craft area, designed so the pre-school set can participate along with the older children. Other activities include a Cookie Walk, which is similar in every way to a Cake Walk, but the prize is a plate of cookies rather than a whole cake. For those who want a big cake to take home, just make your way to the Silent Auction. Beach Church Bakers will see whose culinary creation will make the

bidders up the ante.

"The bidding opens at 2 p.m.," said Gruszczynski. "We will close the auction at 3:45 and winners can pay with cash or checks. Additionally, the cake that brings the highest bid will make the chef very proud."

Dancingly Yours Dancers take the stage at 2:30 p.m. for a performance choreographed by Pensacola Beach resident Monette Hodges. The troupe has entertained for the record breaking crowds at Taste of the Beach and the Art and Wine Festival. From the tiny dancers in their pink fringed costumes to the well-rehearsed Sombrero-wearing teenaged performers, the troupe brings down the house.

The festival takes a wild twist when Mr. Reno arrives with his Reptiles. His alligator and bearded dragon are new to the Beach Church event.

Back by popular demand are the two sweet ponies for children to ride. The cost to ride is \$2. The ponies will be at the festival from 2 to 3 p.m. only.

"With the exception of pony rides, everything else is free," said Gruszczynski. "Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend."

Costume Fest

The Festival Fun continues! Kids are invited to the Portofino Boardwalk's Spooktacular Costume Fest, Sunday, October 28 from 2 to 6 p.m. Boardwalk merchants are ready with overflowing bowls of Halloween treats for costumed kids, ages 12 and under. Face painting, bounce houses and games will be part of the action. Musicians will be performing at the Amphitheater.

Be sure to visit Envie Boutique to enter the big prize drawing. Prizes will be awarded at 5 p.m. and the winners must be present at the Boutique to claim their prize.

"There are going to be so many fun prizes," said Kim Logar, Boardwalk representative. "We will have gift cards, Tiki Island golf games and the grand prize is a dolphin cruise aboard the Portofino I for a family of six."

Bring your camera. The festival includes a meet and greet from 4 to 5 p.m. with the Blue Wahoo's Baseball Team mascot Kazoo.

There is no charge for the festival activities, compliments of the Portofino Boardwalk Merchants.

Tee It Up For Charity Miniature Golf Outing Legion Post Provides Christmas To Vets in Nursing Homes

Sharpen up your short game and get ready to win some fabulous prizes at the thirteenth annual American Legion Putt Putt Outing. The Beach's Legion Post 379 has Saturday, October 20 set aside for the event at Tiki Island Golf and Games. The registration opens at 10 a.m. and play be-



Gayle Shackelford plays through at the 2011 event.

gins at 11.

The event already has 72 tee-sign sponsors according to Jeff Goudey, who is the event chairman.

"We are really looking forward to a great year," said Goudey. "We use this money to support our charitable programs."

The Legion's outreach to veterans in local nursing homes, especially during the holiday season, is where the largest portion of the event proceeds will be allocated. Additionally, the Legion has a Children and Youth support program, Boy's State, Gulf Breeze High School JROTC and Pensacola Beach Elementary School among their outreach.

Individuals may sign up or groups of four can register. There is a \$10 entry fee per person and everyone is welcome to play in this family friendly event. Each entry comes with

two beverage tickets. The selection includes water, soft drinks and beer.

There is no need to register in advance, according to Goudey. However, Bud and Liz Glakin and Jim and Liz Pavelick are already to vie for the top spots.

"You do not have to have a foursome to enter," said Goudey. "Come on out and we will pair up the players. We award prizes based on individual scores, not teams."

There will be cash prizes awarded to the three best individual scores. One hole will be designated as the One Hundred Dollar Hole for the first hole-in-one on that green.

There will be a 50/50 and two raffle baskets to win. Tickets are one dollar each. Refreshments are available for purchase.

For more information contact Goudey at 850-291-6957.

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Forever...Barefoot on the Beach

As a tribute to Jane Waters who passed away January 10, Island Times will continue to run some of Jane's favorite columns for your enjoyment

The Islander Newspaper – October 26, 1979

This is my Halloween horror story - my night of terror in my beach house. Before I begin, I think everyone should know that I do not like rodents. In fact, I hate them – mice, rats, hamsters, bats and even those soft, furry little sea mice who scamper among the grasses in my back yard. That sets the stage for my horror story.

My back door, which has no screen, was open one night a few weeks ago and in marched Gus, our cat, with a fat, fluffy, lively sea mouse which she placed lovingly near my chair where I was trying to read. I think it is to my everlasting credit that I did not scream, did not jump up on the chair, or otherwise create the idea that I was afraid. I couldn't. I was frozen. I wasn't afraid. I

was terrified. While I stared in disbelief, Gus stood by, looking very unconcerned, while the mouse took refuge behind a palm in my living room.

"You dumb cat. Get that thing out of here," I yelled.

Gus just sort of smiled, all the while keeping her predator's eye on the palm. I walked backwards into the kitchen and got a broom. I took a deep breath and swept at the pot which held the palm. No mouse. Gus rushed it then and it careened across the floor.

"Chase it to the back door, Gus," I yelled again.

Gus then sat down in the middle of the rug and leered, first at the mouse who was trying to hide behind a magazine basket, and then at me, who had no place

to hide. "You are the most stupid, idiotic, uncooperative animal I have ever had," I told Gus. "And if this mouse doesn't devour me, I'm calling the cat catcher to come haul you away."

Gus just smiled again. She never has taken me very seriously and only is nice to me when we're out of Meow Mix and I'm the only one in the house with a license to drive to the grocery store.

Back to the mouse. Every time it stuck its black nose around the basket, Gus charged after it. This went on several minutes until I took command and started chasing it with the broom. I swiped at it and the fat little thing tumbled head over heels (do mice have heels?) down the stairway into the front hallway where the front door would not open because the hurricane had stuck the lock. Gus and I stood on the landing and watched S.M.* land on the floor below and stagger behind a plant for safety. At this point Gus grew tired of the "cat and mouse" game entirely. She stretched out on the landing and fell asleep. "Wake up, Gus You are a cat. This is a mouse. Remember your heritage!"

She snored loudly. I walked through the hallway, broom in hand, as if there

was no one there except me. I ran through the downstairs to the back door and opened it. I crept back into the hallway and tried to picture myself as a fearsome large, black Halloween cat.

I never saw a cat try this, but I hit the planter with the broom and S.M. rolled into the game room, hugging the wall. I felt pretty good when it dawned on me, she would always hug the wall. Not once had she run straight out into the room. I looked around. S.M. was behind the piano. Gus had ambled into the middle of the game room, where she took up her laughing pose while I chased the mouse around the base boards toward the open door. Stealthily, never taking my eyes off the varmint, I closed the bedroom and utility room doors and then shunted the mouse toward the open door. It was all going well

until she ran head on into a stack of Islanders, just before she could have escaped.

Watching her as she stayed in retreat in a corner under my desk, I moved the Islanders and began my broom strategy again. She ran backwards under the piano. Again, it is to my everlasting credit and military courage that I did not cry when this setback occurred. Cautiously, I went after the piano with the broom. She ran under the desk, all the time sticking to the wall. I ran to the desk, chasing her at broom's length. She smelled the sea air and ran to freedom. I slammed the door shut and ran upstairs and slammed that door shut.

Today, I am ordering new screens. And if Gus wants Meow Mix, she can drive herself to the store.

*Sea Mouse

Wrecks Go Ghoul

The Beach's original Mardi Gras organization, the Krewe of Wrecks, trades glitter for ghouls with their thirty-third Halloween Costume Contest and registration meeting, Monday, October 29 at the Sabine Sandbar at 6 p.m.

The Wrecks open their membership rolls to one and all at the very first meeting. If you get into the Mardi Gras spirit and want to be part of the wrocking and wrolling Wrecks, then bring \$30 and sign up with the Sec-Wreck Melanie Waite on the waterfront deck at the Sandbar.

"If you are looking for a group with a meeting agenda, Robert's Rules of Order, a dress code and strict rules, you might not have the Wrecks attitude" said Jeff Goudey, who is officially the Running Around Wreck. "Our requirements are that you have a generous spirit and know how to have a good time."

The Wrecks were founded and organized by Frank Douglas, Larry Geisel and Jane Waters in October 1979 with their first Mardi Gras parade rolling on February 23, 1980. Allen Dean, Rudy Delgado, Kevin Evans, Rosemary Ryle, Shirley and George Womack, Jim Sheffer, Carol Douglas, Mike Steele, Harry Gowens and Carol Geisel were among the first members.

The krewe entertained and paraded the first year and never looked back. The Krewe of Wrecks changed the way winter looked on Pensacola Beach,

brightening the dreary months with meetings and parties. The Krewe of Wrecks Mardi Gras parade was recognized in 2006 as a top event in the Southeastern United States during February.

All these years later, the Wrecks are joined by dozens of krewes, who meet year round. Their impact to the economy and the community are unprecedented. The good times generate tight knit groups who spend countless hours fundraising for charitable giving. What was once heralded as a great weekend on Pensacola Beach is indeed a Mardi Gras season which stretches out over four months and beyond.

Some things never change. The Wrecks are as welcoming as they have ever been. They bring the true spirit of an island Mardi Gras to life. Join them at the first meeting of the year, October 29 or at any of the following meetings and locations. The action starts at 6 p.m.

- November 5 Sandshaker
- November 12 Crab's We Got 'Em
- November 19 The Islander
- November 26 Paddy O'Leary's
- December 3 The Grand Marlin
- December 10 PegLeg Pete's
- December 17 Paradise Bar
- January 7 Hemingway's
- January 14 Flounder's
- January 21 Shaggy's
- January 28 Elk's Lodge

The Wrecks Mardi Gras parade is Sunday, February 10 at 2 p.m.

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PEOPLE

Trivia

PINS AND NEEDLES

Some of you may know Elaine Mitchell as the talented beach gal who creates the costumes for the Krewe of Nereids during Mardi Gras. She's busy in the off season mowing down bowling pins in league play in Pensacola. She was a top scorer in the Ladies Satellite league along with Patsy Henderson, Lois Jones and Burnetta Owens.

FLEET FOOTED

Congrats to Beach resident Jett Crowdis in completing the September 29 Seafood Festival 5K in under twenty minutes. Jett is a student at Pensacola High School's International Baccalaureate program.

D IS FOR DARLING

Doug and Darla Permenter toasted their sixteenth wedding anniversary September 27 with a beautiful feast at The Grand Marlin.

LOVE IS IN THE AIR

SRIA Staffer Robbie Lofty is sporting a brand new sparkler on her left hand. Long time beau Adam Schrock popped the question. The couple plans a May 2013 on Pensacola Beach.

CHET'S A FAN

Chet Miller is a lucky guy. He's was lucky enough to be part of the Beach's Corvette Show where he won the *Island Times* gift basket. Part of his booty is a year's subscription so he can keep up with everything that's happening on Pensacola Beach.

FUN FIRSTS

Ad agency exec Leslie Perino is no stranger to Pensacola Beach. She works at E.W. Bullock Associates, the Island Authority's ad agency. She gave the Chamber's Art and Wine Festival high marks. It was her first time to attend the Beach festival. She also made her first visit ever to the legendary Sandshaker Lounge to hear the Pensacola Beach Song-

writers performance.

SHE'S TOP NOTCH

The Pensacola Beach Optimist Club named energetic Carleen Wheeler as the Optimist of the Year at their Installation and Awards Banquet at Crabs, September 28. Carleen, who volunteers with enthusiasm at a variety of events, is the founder of the Race for the Roses Kentucky Derby Optimist Club fundraiser.

UP UP AND AWAY

Beach Realtor Diane Tyson is flying high these days. She played tourist out West for two weeks. She's been at all the hot spots in New Mexico. Ask her about hot air balloons and shopping for turquoise jewelry.

BIZ AND PLEASURE

While Dr. Tracey Pinkston was attending the American Academy of Environmental Medicine Conference in St. Petersburg for five days, her daughter Lauren and mom Bettie Lee Sundstrom were gallivanting around Central Florida visiting former Beach residents Sandi and Johnny Johnson and Marilyn and Rick Sundstrom. It was like old days and everyone is doing well, according to Bettie Lee.

AYE CARUMBA

Chuck Steele gave a statistical analysis of a fabulous trip to Mexico: away from home 14 nights, 9 different hotel rooms, 7 airplane rides and 6 train rides, 2 car tours in the Sierra Madres seeing the local scenery. Too many taxi rides to count on my fingers and toes. They zip lined, ate gourmet food and toured Copper Canyon. It all added up to the trip of a lifetime for Chuck and Lynn Cieutat. Welcome home.

WHO DAT

Terry Colley should be given credit for the Saints win against the Chargers. She purchased a special Who Dat oil burning light at the Art and Wine Fest.

The Trivia Master has stumped the trivia playing faithful.

The Beach Chamber has been around almost three dozen years, according to the Trivia Master. He asked which family has had three members on the Board of Directors. The trio are Jim, Billy and Amy Martin. With Flounder's and Crab's, We Got 'Em anchoring the core area business district, it makes sense that the Martin family would be among the Chamber faithful. Amy joined the all-volunteer board this year.

Tim Pike who normally is taking care of business at the Holiday Inn Express, darted to his computer with The Elberts as his answer. Good thinking, Pike. Jim Elbert was among the founding fathers of the Beach

Chamber and also the father of the past Chairman Jeff Elbert. Two generations and two real fine fellows.

The Queen of Wrong Answers Joanne Brooks reigns over the mistaken, misspoken, and barely there memories. Queen Jo traveled back in beach history to a time long forgotten. She thought it might be Rose, Dean and June Baird Guerra. June served as a Chamber board member for many years, she was the only family member to do so. Queenie, you rule the wrong!

Hang ten on your computer keys and email islandtimes@bellsouth.net with the correct answer to this question. In 1979 Dave West presented a compilation of three years of outrageous footage from skate, sail and surf montages called "The Dave West

Anthology - Sea Yourself." The movie played in two showings at the Holiday Inn on Pensacola Beach, which is now Margartaville. What Beach resident served as the Sound Engineer on the project? Here's a hint. You can find him on stage beating on his drums, on his board carving up waves, or on his computer keyboard on Pensacola Beach daily. Who is it?

Be sure to include your name and phone number with your answer. Will you be the next IT special trivia t-shirt winner? Deadline to respond is October 23.

Good luck.

Thank you for the many calls about Verdell. He has not yet been returned home, but we remain hopeful. Please continue to help us find him.

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Pensacola Beach American Legion
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- Wednesday - Oct 17
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- Sunday - October 21
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The Upstarts
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Pensacola Beach Advocates Set Annual Meeting

Taxes, Wildlife Protection, Oil Spill Funds, Noise Ordinance Top Agenda

The Pensacola Beach Advocates are giving residents and leaseholders a voice in pivotal issues which may change the island forever. Taxation litigation, wildlife protection, hurricane evacuation orders, BP fine money projects are on their annual meeting agenda for discussion. The meeting is set for Monday, November 12 at 5:30 p.m. at Pensacola Beach Community Church's Fellowship Hall.

Danny Kepner, attorney with Shell, Fleming, Davis and Menge, will update leaseholders on the tax litigation. Kepner, who represents Pensacola Beach leaseholders, will be presenting oral arguments before the Florida Supreme Court on November 6.

"The Supreme Court is under no time deadline to make a ruling," said PBA President Jim Cox. "But, it is important to hear from our attorney."

Escambia County Commissioner Grover Robinson, IV, whose district includes Pensacola Beach, will discuss the RESTORE Act funds and the impact they could have on the Beach's infrastructure. The Santa Rosa Island Authority forwarded a list of six projects to the Commissioner for funding consideration. They included

Beach renourishment and dune walkovers, \$16 million; Sound-front beach renourishment, \$1.1 million; Sabine Channel dredging, \$500,000; Casino Beach performance area improvements, \$1 million; Core area lighting and pedestrian safety, \$2.6 million; and pedestrian boardwalks encircling core area, \$3.2 million.

The PBA board would like the County to give a preference to the barrier islands when allocating the RESTORE Act funds.

"The Beach and the Key were the areas which were impacted by the arrival of oil on

improve the process, at the PBA's request.

Beachkeepers, an environmental committee of the PBA, is involved in the drafting of a lighting and wildlife protection ordinance. The committee also hosts Recyclemania.

JJ Waters, Beachkeeper chairman noted that the Pensacola Beach Advocates' Beachkeepers Committee has been recognized and approved by the Environmental Stewardship Action Council. The SAC is a national, non-profit group raising the level of social, environmental, and economic performance through shared responsibility and collaboration among business, non-governmental, academic, and government organizations.

"This is impressive," said Waters. "Our entire area benefits from our efforts to be good stewards of the sensitive island environment."

PBA Board Member Ray Ascherfeld has been following the Escambia County Noise Ordinance issue. The ordinance is currently being reviewed and revised by County Attorney Alison Rodgers for consideration by the Escambia County Commissioners.

Commissioner Grover Robinson understands the challenges

that this ordinance must address.

"Balancing the needs of residents and businesses will be the challenge," said Robinson.

Ascherfeld has created a petition for Island residents and leaseholders to sign. The document suggests hours, allowable sound levels with measurement techniques that should be included in the ordinance. The signed petitions will be presented to the Commissioners.

"Clearly, we need some controls on noise in residential areas of Pensacola Beach," said Ascherfeld. "This petition will also serve to make the residents aware that there is no ordinance to rely upon right now"

The Advocates have multiple ways for members to participate. The Beachkeepers would like any

interested members to join them. Waters will be available at the annual meeting to answer questions and add names to the group.

The board is seeking a person to serve as their Director of Membership and Communications.

Members will be asked to nominate and vote on a slate of officers and new Board members for the upcoming year.

The PBA Annual Meeting is open to all interested parties. Members and non-members are encouraged to attend.

For those who wish to join or renew their memberships a check for \$30 made payable to Pensacola Beach Advocates can be remitted at the meeting.

For more information, visit pbadvocates.org.

Pensacola Beach Advocates
Annual Meeting
Monday, November 12
5:30 p.m.
Pensacola Beach Community Church
Open to the Public

our sand," said Cox. "I believe that it is important to make a geographic priority when ranking the requests for funding."

The PBA board of directors actively communicates with local officials regarding beach matters. One such topic is the need for clear and concise information during hurricane evacuations. The County staff and other local agencies have agreed to meet to

Chardonnay & Shellfish
OCTOBER PAIRINGS

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Maine Lobster Bisque or
Roasted beet and goat cheese salad, apple herb vinaigrette, candied pecans
Merryvale Starmont Chardonnay, Napa Valley, California

Choice of one:
Gulf crab stuffed flounder, Creole mustard sauce, spaghetti squash or
Grilled brochette of Gulf shrimp and New Bedford sea scallops, Chardonnay butter sauce and lemon herb risotto
Pine Ridge Chardonnay, Carneros-Napa, California

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by Kathi Lewis

I am loving this "cool" weather (even if the grammar check doesn't like the way I say it). I am. It's my favorite time of the year. The visitors are fewer, the weather is perfect, the Gulf of Mexico is crystal clear and emerald green, locals have had a chance to rest from the busy summer and the island is nice and quiet. It's our turn to frolic in the sugar white sands and bask in the glorious sunshine while finalizing our plans for what I like to call, The Winter Olympics on Pensacola Beach! You'll need a nice clean calendar to start marking all the party dates.

It's time to drag out your winter clothing, which consists mainly of longer shorts and long sleeve t-shirts. Don't forget to color co-ordinate and separate into categories of orange and black for Halloween, red and green for Christmas Holidays and don't forget you'll need plenty of purple, green and gold. Gold, of course is appropriate for any and all holidays.

The Interstate Fair begins on October 18, which is granddaughter Sissy (Quincy) Rowe's seventh birthday. Bring a light jacket and your wallet to the Fair since it is not as free as the Gulf of Mexico. But Lord, don't you love those corn dogs and funnel cakes! I can smell 'em already.

Mardi Gras begins with the Krewe of Wrecks Halloween Costume Contest on Oct. 29 at Sabine Sandbar. Please don't park in the "brooms only" spaces and beware of flying witches. Remember that it is not safe to drink and fly even if you have headlights on your brooms, call a taxi or a friend with a golf cart!

I hear Christy Sullivan is planning a fun Halloween Day on the traditional date October 31 at Paddy O'Leary's!

I miss the old days when Halloween brought all the Island children to your door in their cute costumes. Every year Sydney Kilpatrick would come by and each time I opened the door she would say, "It's me, Sydney!" Of course I always recognized her, but I pretended to be surprised anyway. I would dress-up the latest grandchild and parade them to the homes of various friends and neighbors. I can still smell those sacks of candy.

It's funny because my

grandson Jesiah loved to go trick or treating, but never ate the candy. My husband Bill and I loved it, of course. It was years before he finally figured out that since he didn't eat the candy there wasn't a whole lot of reason for him to go; which saddened Bill and me as we had to buy more candy for ourselves.

I can still remember the distinct smell of those trick or treat bags filled with the promise of sweetness. I loved the flashlights bobbing up and down the neighborhood streets and the sound of children laughing as their bags got heavier with each stop. Now it's all parties with fewer parents allowing their children to go door-to-door.

As a child, I wouldn't have missed Halloween if I was on death's doorstep. I would have begged my sisters and brother to please just drag me along behind them. We spent weeks planning our home-made costumes and always thought they were the best. I love it just as much now that I'm a grown-up except we don't get candy anymore. We go from bar-to-bar begging for cocktails, instead. Well that's fun, too, and we still get to wear costumes. Actually some of you know that I consider my entire wardrobe to be a costume closet. It just depends on the day and the event.

I believe that Woolly Booger Queen Shugah Christine Hewerdine is planning to have the "Kiss the Hurricane Season Good-Bye Bawl" on November 17 at Paradise. Save the date so you can join us in thanking Queen Shugah for her dedication in keeping all hurricanes from our shores and to pledge your loyalty and support to the next Queen Shugah. That job is getting to be harder and harder. God Bless the next Queen Shugah!

There are still lots of dates

that you will need to mark in your calendar. Stay tuned to the *Island Times* so you don't miss anything. And if you don't think it takes an Olympic Champion to get through a winter on the Island, then you're either living in the wrong place or you are not participating. So, light that torch and let the games begin!

Here's a fun recipe to share with your favorite little ones. Be sure to wear plastic gloves when making these because while food coloring is harmless, it does stain clothing and skin. It takes days of washing to get rid of the color from skin and you'll do better to just toss out the stained clothing. I get cheap aprons from the Dollar Store for the kids in my house to wear. If you love Rice Krispie Treats, then you'll love these pretty and tasty delights. Even better, you'll have lots of fun and great memories with your children or grandchildren.

So, let's cook.....

Halloween Pumpkin Treats
Orange food coloring
 (or mix red & yellow to desired color)
Large tootsie rolls
Fruit Roll-ups
M&M Candies
Black Fruit Twizzlers
Jelly Beans
Candy Corn

Melt butter and marshmallows for Rice Krispie Treats according to recipe on box. Add food color to mixture BEFORE adding rice krispies. Wearing plastic gloves, shape treats into balls. Cut tootsie rolls in half and stick it in the top for the pumpkin stem. Decorate your pumpkin with cut-out fruit roll-ups for leaves or use M&Ms for eyes, candy corn, black jelly beans or twizzlers for teeth. Have fun and let your imagination run wild!

Enjoy and don't forget to share!

See ya in the kitchen.....



BAM! Famous Chef and television personality Emeril Lagasse arrived at Crab's Saturday, October 6 to film a segment for his upcoming "Emeril's Florida." He was treated to perfect weather, a tower of Crab, and a Crab Trap at the Gulf front restaurant. The series will air in January on the Cooking Channel.

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A Glimpse of Heaven

By Father James Grebe
St. Ann's Catholic Parish

As we approach October 31 and November 1, "A Glimpse from Heaven" is a very appropriate title for this article.

Halloween, or All Hallows Eve, is the night before "All Saints Day," which remains today as a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics throughout the world. It is a day where we celebrate the saints of God, the Church triumphantly at rest in Heaven. We remember the "big ones" like St. Augustine, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Catherine of Siena, and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. But we also remember the countless others who have persevered in the faith during their life on Earth, sometimes to the point of shedding their blood. Some of them, their names are known only to God.

As we remember them, they are a reminder to us about the

goal of life, the point of life. They remind us that achieving success is not the goal of life; rather, sanctity, or holiness, is the goal of life.

And what does it mean to be holy? It means being like God. For these saints that we celebrate on November 1, who was the God that they wanted to be like? God is love. The key to holiness for all of these women and men, whom we celebrate with great joy, as they remind us of the goal of our lives, is that they persevered in becoming a total gift of self in love. The God that they had encountered reveals himself in a total gift of self love, a sacrifice of love.

As they behold the events of the world in light of the face of God, whom they now behold for all eternity, what will they think of what we are doing with our lives?

Beach Serves As Host For Volleyball, Pumpkin Carving Charity Events

Looking at pretty Kasie Forman you would never be able to tell that she has cancer. The young vivacious blonde has been in remission since 2006 and on a mission to help other children diagnosed with cancer with her Kasie Helpz Kidz non-profit foundation.

"Cancer is a horrible disease that is affecting more and more children every year," said Kasie. "It's something that has changed my everyday life in so many ways. It's given me a different perspective on life, showed me how precious our time on earth is, and given me so much determination to make a difference and help others in need. Nothing is more rewarding than being able to lift the spirits of a child who is going through a hard time and having to face a life threatening illness."

Kasie has created a day long festival on Pensacola Beach to raise funds to support local chil-

dren. Kasie Helps Kidz is Sunday, October 21 beginning at 11 a.m. at Bamboo Willie's. The funds are used to support education and community awareness.

When hospitalized during her battle with cancer, Kasie was isolated due to the treatment she received. It impacted her so profoundly, it has been part of her crusade to visit other children facing the same situation. With some of the proceeds from her fundraising, Kasie purchases teddy bears which she delivers to hospitalized children. Each bear carries an inspirational message.

The October 21 event is about giving back, having fun and doing the things young people are meant to do. She has created contests to challenge entrants athletically and artistically.

The Volleyball Tournament

kicks off the festivities at 11 a.m. on the sandy beach behind Bamboo Willie's. The entry is \$30 for a six person co-ed team of setters and spikers.

The rocking sounds of Avenida 16 will crank up energy when they take the stage at 2 p.m. and a Silent Auction will accept bids from 2:30 to 3 p.m.

Are you handy with a knife? Well, carve out some time on Sunday, October 21 to enter the Pumpkin Carving Contest at 3 p.m. The entry fee is \$20 to compete as a pumpkin carver.

"This is a day full of activities to raise some funds," said Robert Gleim, Bamboo Willie's general manager. "Come out and have a good time for a good cause."

For more information, go to kasiehelpzkidz.org.

Woman's Clubbers Kick Off New Year

Pensacola Beach Woman's Club got right down to business at their first meeting of the year, September 20 at the Beach Church. The Club reviewed their budget, approved a Recyclemania sponsorship, and enlisted volunteers for the Beach School festival. The League of Women Voters representative shared voting information.

The guest speaker was Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Publicity Director Jim Roberts. ECUA is the Beach's waste disposal and recycling provider.

The Club meets Thursday, October 18 at 11 a.m. at the Church Fellowship Hall.



Pensacola Beach Woman's Club members work hard as community volunteers. They play hard, too. They never miss a chance to celebrate. Receiving a rousing rendition of Happy Birthday, the September honorees are: Mary Lee, President Shelby Smith, Elizabeth Sudhoff and Vice President Ginger Pasek. Not pictured are Linda Sharpe Brown and Betty Sprague.

Letters To The Editor ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Dear Islanders,
Our cat Verdell went missing in August. We have had so many people try to help locate him. There have been so many calls from people who cared about Verdell's fate. It is heart warming to see this community come together as a team to help my cat. Everyone from residents to vacationers, Realtors, the island maintenance department, joggers, walkers, those on bicycles have been very supportive and involved. Sometimes people just called to see if he has been found.

He has not.
Verdell is seventeen. He grew up with my children, my grandchild-

dren and is the king of his domain. I can only imagine how he got so far from home that he could not find his way back.

We remain hopeful that he will be found and are still asking for any

information about his whereabouts.

I don't always have the right words, but I wanted to say thank you to the island community.

My warmest gratitude,
Kerry Dicke



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The Lizard's Tongue

by elizabeth hewson

I grew up on legendary tales. Alligators are in the sewer. Man on the moon is made of cheese. Gum takes seven years to digest. So when the Colonel and the Kid kept saying they were hearing a rooster crow every morning, I just laughed it off as I just knew there were no cockerels on the beach. At least none I could hear through my temperature controlled walls.



Did this Key West Rooster relocate to Ariola Drive?

I posted to Facebook about the mysterious rooster and immediately received confirmation from Charlotte Spencer that he does exist and was potentially a neighbor. Now, that got my attention. After all, who doesn't want to be awakened by a little cockadoodledoo every morning?

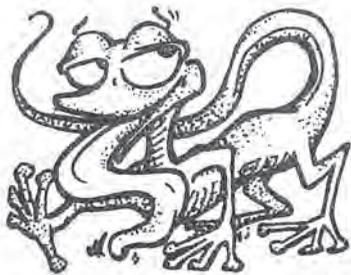
Without hesitation, the air conditioner and alarm clock were turned off. Every window in the house was opened. I was determined to hear him crow. Bring it on, rooster-boy!

The next morning, when I could have slept in, I was wide awake at 4 a.m. No rooster. Not a peep. Not a chirp.

Five a.m. came and went. Still no rooster. Not a cocka. Not a doodle. Not a doo. I couldn't help expressing my feelings out loud, "What's wrong with this bird?"

It had ruffled my proverbial feathers, as well as the down comforter that the Colonel was trying to sleep under. I felt like I had been duped by Charlotte and my boys, all of whom had spent time in the British Virgin Islands where the roosters are loud, plentiful, and crow morning, noon and night.

Six a.m. came and went. I was pacing around in my kitchen like a chicken with her head cut off. With reckless abandon, I put away the clean dishes. I needed a little clatter to distract me from the pure morning silence that was engulfing the outside and inside of my house. Where was he?



By 6:30 a.m., I was convinced that the rooster on the beach was a myth. He was a legend just like the ones I had grown up on in New Orleans. Alligators. Moon cheese. Gum. The Colonel, the Kid and Charlotte had lost their status as local ornithologists.

But at 6:40 a.m., as I was enjoying a most beautiful sunrise, the kind that soothes the overwrought soul and brings much delight to sailors, I heard him. Not once, not twice, but quite a few times. He let out a series of the most gentle crows as if to say, "Good morning and enjoy your day on Pensacola Beach."

Then he was quiet. I was so thrilled that I had finally heard the Beach Rooster. It was like being let in on a secret by Mother Nature -- the more time you spend outside enjoying everything Pensacola Beach has to offer the less you have to worry about the sandspurs in your carpet.

Until next time...

[Native Orleanian Elizabeth Waters Hewson arrived on Pensacola Beach in 1978 at age 14. Love and careers swept her to other shores, but she returns with The Colonel and The Kid to live permanently on the Beach.]



THE END OF AN ERA - The Elbert Family has been in the retail business on Pensacola Beach for three decades. The business founded by Jim and Bonnie Elbert, left, was located in the Sandspur Republic. When they were ready to retire, Island Style was purchased by their son, Jeff, right. Jeff, along with Mario Roberts, owns Island Style in Navarre and Tiki Jake's in Gulf Breeze and Cordova Mall. The family hosted a "Lost Our Lease" reception at the store October 7 to bid farewell to their customers.



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Card Sharps And Rookies To Face Off In Annual Texas Hold Em Tourney

The rhythmic sound of shuffling cards is music to the ears of poker players who sign up to compete in the Texas Hold 'Em Celebration 4444 Education tournament, Sunday, October 21 at 2 p.m. at Paddy O'Leary's Irish Pub. The tourney, which is hosted by Rick Uzdevenes' Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun, is open to everyone.

"If you have never played in a poker tournament, this is a perfect time to be part of the fun," said Uzdevenes. "The dealers and regular players are friendly and helpful. The proceeds help the school."

Celebration 4444 Education was created by Uzdevenes as a way to support the music department at the Beach Elementary School. The charter school is always at the top of the state rankings, but receives no funding from Escambia County. It operates on state funds and donations.

"Of course, I am a musician, as are a bunch of the guys who play cards," said Uzdevenes. "We realized this would be a perfect way to raise a few dollars and make a difference in our community."

Over the last five years, Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun representatives make a check presentation during the Beach School Fall Festival. It usually tops \$1,000. Music teacher Mary Holway noted that the donation has helped the music department purchase

much needed supplies and a variety of instruments.

The tournament registration opens at 1:30 p.m. where players sign in and are issued a rack of chips. A donation bucket is located at the registration table. There is a fifteen minute Texas Hold 'Em class for rookies or rusties.

"If you have never played before or have not played in a long time and want to brush up, you can get a little warm-up time on the felt" said Terri McKamey, who is helping to coordinate the tournament.

The Shuffle Up and Deal is promptly at 2 p.m. Beach Time. During the first hour players may add to their stack of chips with an

additional donation to the school. There will be a break every hour.

"We will increase the blinds and color up the chips at the top of each hour," said McKamey. "By 6 p.m. the players will be seated at a Final Table and a winner will eventually emerge. Hard to know exactly how long that will take."

Prizes will be awarded immediately after play. There will be consolation prizes in addition to the Champions award.

Paddy O'Leary's is located in the Via de Luna Shopping Center in the historic district of Pensacola Beach, at 49 Via de Luna. For more information on the tourney, call 850-324-2667.

Bras To Line Bridge Locals Show Their Support

What would make Beach School teacher Joy McLaurine and Pensacola Beach Woman's Club President Shelby Smith show you their bras? They have shown them annually at the "Bras Across the Bridge." This year's event is set for Saturday, October 20, 8 a.m.

Beginning at 7 a.m., participants can park and register at the AppRiver complex on Gulf Breeze Parkway or at the Amphitheater on Portofino Boardwalk. The first 500 participants will receive a pink "Bras Across the

Bridge" T-shirt. Participation is \$10 per person plus the donation of a new bra. At 8 a.m. the crowd will make its way across the bridge with bras strung together as a show of awareness and support for breast cancer. The garments will be donated to local organizations. Funds raised will be donated to Baptist Health Care Foundation's Mammogram Fund.

For more information call Jackie Linn at 850.994.5357 or e-mail jackie.linn@cumulus.com.



Dear Friends,

Thank you for keeping an eye out for me. My adventure has been a long one. I know with your help, I can be returned to my family on Pensacola Beach.

With warmest regards,

Verdell

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WINNERS

As part of the fun at the Pensacola Beach Advocates' Recyclemania, ECUA sponsored a recycling coloring contest at the Beach School. First place winner was Baylen Crance, second place Gracie Gardner, and Ella Kauffman and Joshua Crawford tied for third place. Art was displayed at Recyclemania.

PAT ON THE BACK

Ryan Jenkins gets another atta-boy. He has been accepted

in the Program for Academically Talented Students. There are 10 Beach School students who attend this program.

LITTLE PAVAROTTIS

Debbie Campanella's second grade class at the Beach School has announced plans to write, stage and perform their very own opera. Stay tuned for show dates.

DAY OFF IS ON

Students at the Beach and Gulf Breeze Schools will have classes on October 22.



The Third Annual Celebrity Mini Golf Tourney was hosted by the Pensacola Beach Songwriters Festival for the Beach School students, Friday, October 5. Fourth graders Elise Kersch, left, and Alana Depascalis were aces according to their celebrity playing partners, Songwriters Gary Talley and Jay Brown.

The students had a hot dog lunch and played a round of mini golf with the celebrity songwriters. An awards party followed.

The Pensacola Beach Songwriters Festival brought 81 songwriters to the Beach from October 3 - 7.

Celebrity songwriters teamed up with Beach School fourth graders at the Tiki Island Golf, October 5, for a mini golf tourney. Jim McBride, Micah Clark, Hannah Buchalter and Jerry Salley were an awesome foursome.

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BUSINESS BUZZ.....

LAMAR LEAVES

Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce President Maureen LaMar is leaving her post at the Chamber to pursue a different career path. Her leadership and accomplishments over her four year tenure have earned the confidence and respect of the area's stakeholders. The Santa Rosa Island Authority Board in coordination with the Chamber is hosting a reception in her honor. The Chamber will be hiring a new President/CEO this month.

SURF FLICK

Former Gulf Breeze resident Abby Spencer will star in the new surf movie Chasing Mavericks. She plays the wife of Gerard Butler. Ironically she was cast as the wife of a surfer, a part she knows all too well growing up in the Innerlight family. According to Shannon Hampton at Innerlight, this is an awesome family friendly movie about never giving up on your dreams. Don't miss the action. Innerlight will be hosting a private screening on Saturday, October 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the Rave Theatre on Bayou Blvd. in Pensacola. Pick up tickets at any Innerlight location for \$5.

YACHTIES

Pensacola Beach Yacht Club has joined Fort Walton Yacht Club, Navy Yacht Club, Eglin Yacht Club, Pensacola Yacht Club and Point Yacht Club to offer a free day of boating for disabled

veterans. The event is Sunday, October 28 and includes lunch, boat rides, and a variety of on shore activities at Fort Walton Yacht Club with entertainment and some sailing seminars provided by the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

READY FOR RELAY

The Pensacola Beach Relay for Life team kick-off celebration will be Monday, October 22 at 5 p.m. at the Beach House at the Pensacola Beach Community Church. The beach Relay For Life is scheduled for April 12-13, 2013 at the Gulfside Pavilion. In its first year, the Pensacola Beach Relay For Life raised over \$52,000 with 26 teams and 39 registered survivors participating in 2012. For more information visit www.pensacolabeachrelay-forlife.com.

WINGS AND THINGS

Do you have a burning desire to conquer a food challenge? Can you eat 24 Vesuvius Wings at Shaggy's in 30 minutes? Patrick James Carr earned the title "Vesuvius Challenge Conquerer." He has a new Shaggy's t-shirt, along with his picture on the wall. Are you up for the challenge?

GREAT EVENT

SRIA Board member Tammy Bohannon was singing the praises of the Pensacola Beach Songwriters Festival. She particularly enjoyed the intimate listening room experience at The Grand Marlin.

BYTES & BITS

By Joe Stukey
Your Computer Pal

"What is the latest Windows computer virus?"

Currently we are dealing with the "Ransom" virus, though I think it originally showed up in 2011 in some areas. When that virus shows up on your computer, it looks like a warning from the FBI. On the screen, you will see text from the virus indicating that you have been visiting inappropriate websites and will have to pay a fine if you want to avoid criminal charges.

You will be instructed to take \$200 (in cash) to a drug-store or grocery store (typically Walgreens, Walmart or CVS) and purchase a pre-paid card. The criminals want you to pay them by sending them a "MoneyPak" order. Having locked your computer screen so that you are not allowed to do anything else, they are hoping that you will believe that they will unlock your screen when you give them the money. If a person actually has been visiting "inappropriate" sites, they might be easily convinced that the scam is a real message from the FBI.

How do you get these viruses? It might be a drive-by situation, in which the virus automatically downloads into

your computer when you open a website. Or, it could be delivered to your screen as a "pop-up". As soon as you click on the pop-up, the virus is installed in your computer. If you see any suspicious or unwanted pop-ups, it is best to completely avoid clicking on them. Press the ALT and F4 keys at the same time to see if the screens will close. If they do not close, hold your computer's power button down for a few seconds to force the computer to shut down. When you turn on

the computer again, check to see if the problem has gone away.

You should then try to run a virus scan with your anti-virus program. If that does not work, the virus program may have been sabotaged by the virus. In that case, get help from a technician, because the virus still has control of your computer and you may be at risk of identity theft.

For questions, contact Joe at joe@ycpals.com or 850-206-3156.

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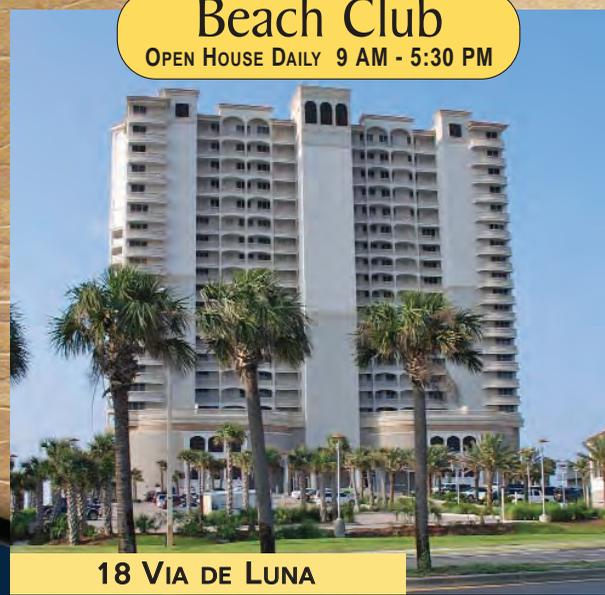
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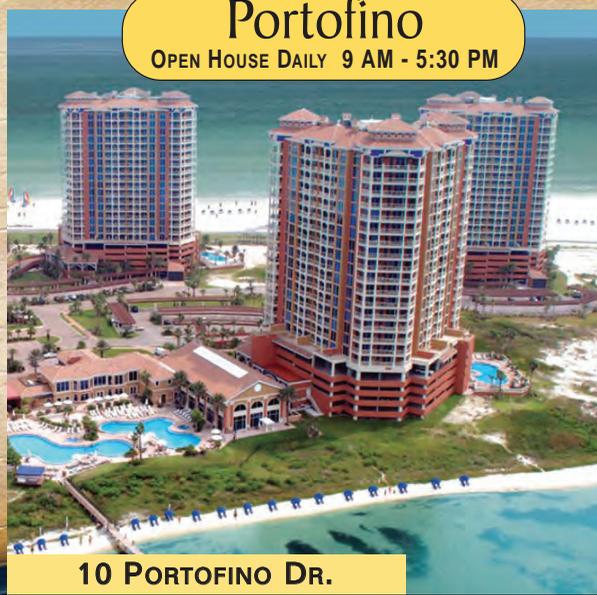
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Prospect of Tree Lined Avenues Grows Authority Sends Money To County

The Santa Rosa Island Authority Board will give Escambia County \$500,000 from the Island Beautification Plan to plant palm trees along Via de Luna. The interlocal agreement was approved by the Board at their October 10 meeting.

Board Member Tammy Bohannon, who served as the chairman of the now defunct Palm Tree subcommittee, ceremoniously

made the motion to approve the allocation. The agreement gives the County total control over the project from design to planting. The agreement denies the SRIA any further decisions regarding the project.

Board Member Ed Guernsey asked why the SRIA board was transferring this power to the County.

SRIA Executive Director

Buck Lee clarified that the planting will take place on the county-owned rights-of-way with the exception of some private leasehold property.

"It's their road, their median and their right-of way," said Lee. "We are giving them \$500,000 for a project that could cost as much as \$700,000."

The landscape firm which will be hired by the County will be responsible for securing permission of individual leaseholders who live on the north side of Via de Luna to plant trees on their property. If an individual agrees to the planting, they must also agree to irrigate the palms.

In his report, Buck Lee alerted the Board to a sand fencing project that had gone awry.

As part of a NRDA award of oil spill monies, Escambia County received funds to renourish and plant on area beaches. Due to the way the funding was structured, the State of Florida spearheaded the project. The result was two miles of sand fencing erected at the east end of the island too far south. When complete there will be 8 miles of sand fencing and extensive vegetation planted.

"I took photos and submitted them to Commissioner Grover Robinson and to Escambia County Coastal engineer Al Browder," said Lee. "The sand fence is obviously in the wrong place. Grover said he will get this corrected."

Board Member Fred Gant expressed concern about projects on the island without SRIA

oversight.

"We need to do our job affirmatively," said Gant. "We need to be consulted and used as a resource."

The Board acted on a suggestion from resident Jim Cox that projects as large as those submitted to Escambia County for RESTORE Act funds should be accompanied by a detailed project narrative. The Board voted to task staff to seek out the resources to create a narrative to enhance the Island's chance to receive funding.

The Santa Rosa Island Authority will hold a special board meeting Wednesday, October 24 at 5 p.m. The committee meetings will follow. All meetings are open to the public.

Fido Fills SRIA Boardroom Proposed Dog Park Sparks Interest

Discussion about a proposed dog park on Pensacola Beach filled the Santa Rosa Island Authority boardroom to capacity October 10. Leaseholder Karen Sindel asked the Board to consider allowing dogs at Park East and Park West daily from sunrise to 10 a.m. The dogs would be allowed to swim in the Sound and the Gulf at Park East unleashed, but would be confined to the Gulfside at Park West and must be leashed. From March 1 to October 31, dogs would require leashes at all times due to turtle and bird nesting season. Owners would be required to clean up after their pets and keep them under their control. Additionally, Sindel envisioned a comprehensive information network to share rules and publicize the park to residents and visitors.

Currently, Escambia County ordinances prohibit dogs from stepping on the sands of Pensacola Beach, Sindel's proposal, if approved by the SRIA, would require a vote from the County Commission to change the ordinance.

Worries about waste and bad behavior were prevalent among those who spoke against the proposal. Many presenters spoke about the need to enforce rules with stiff penalties for non-compliance.

Rachel Concannon was firmly against the park.

"I am concerned with noise, waste, dog attacks and dogs that have not been immunized," she said. "There are too many reports of dogs mauling children. No animal should be allowed on our beaches."

Beach resident Tena Wright was in favor of the park.

"Responsible pet owners take their dogs to the vet, so-

cialize them and clean up after them," she said. "Let's police this. Control it. Allow it. Try it."

Board member Ed Guernsey is a dog owner, but was concerned that a dog park does not fit with the Board's mission to be an ecotourism destination.

Board member and Beach resident Tammy Bohannon disagreed. She added that the idea was in step with those who are attuned to nature and animals.

Chairman Dave Pavlock asked that the Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce and the Pensacola Beach Advocates prepare position statements for the SRIA to consider in the process.

The discussion will continue. The SRIA board will accept more public input on the dog park at their November 14 meeting, 5 p.m. at the SRIA office, #1 Via de Luna.



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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're eager to Ram headfirst into that new project. But before you do, find out why some of your colleagues might not appear to be as gung-ho about it as you are.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) All that dedicated hard work you've been putting in pays off better than you expected. So go ahead, reward yourself with something befitting a beauty-loving Bovine.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a good time to take on that new challenge. And if your self-confidence is sagging, instead of telling yourself why you can't do it, list all the reasons why you can.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) This is one time when you might want to put some distance between you and the job at hand. It will give you a better perspective on what you've done and still need to do.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)

Resist that occasional lapse into Leonine laziness that sometimes overtakes the Big Cat. Don't cut corners. Do the job right at this time, or you might have to redo it later.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You know how you like to do things. And that's fine. But watch that you don't impose your methods on others. A current financial crunch soon eases.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Someone might try to take advantage of your generosity. But before your sensitivity toward others overwhelms your good sense, check his or her story out carefully.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your strong Scorpian sense of fairness lets you see all sides of a dispute. Continue to remain impartial as you help each person work through his or her particular grievance.

SAGITTARIUS (November



Madame Astra

22 to December 21) Trust your keen Sagittarian insight to help you see through an offer that might not be all it claims. A closer look could reveal disturbing elements.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) With the Goat exhibiting a more dominant aspect these days, you could find it easier to make your case in front of even the most skeptical audience.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Take things nice and easy as you continue to build up your energy reserves for a big change that's coming with the full Hunter's Moon on Oct. 29.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Recent news from someone you trust could help you make an important decision. Also, be prepared to confront an upcoming change in a personal situation.

Mostly

By Candace Segar



I sometimes sit and wonder what kind of world we would have if everything was fair and balanced. You laugh and say, "that will never happen," but maybe it can happen. I watched a great documentary entitled, "Thrive" by Foster Gamble. Yes, the same Gamble of Proctor & Gamble fame. He apparently has been thinking along the same lines as many of us.

Thrive identifies the problems and those responsible for fostering the problems throughout the world. The people responsible make up a short list. And what astounds me besides the fact that less than one percent of the population own almost everything on this planet, is that there is a solution or set of solutions to our problems.

What do most people throughout the world want? Access to food, water, shelter, decent health care, education, but most importantly they want to be free. We are not free. We are losing more and more of our freedoms every day. George Orwell said it best with this profound comment, "In a time of Universal Deceit, telling the truth becomes a revolutionary act."

This leads me to free energy. I know you are scoffing and laughing and saying we have wars so we have access to energy. It isn't free. I used to think the same way. I no

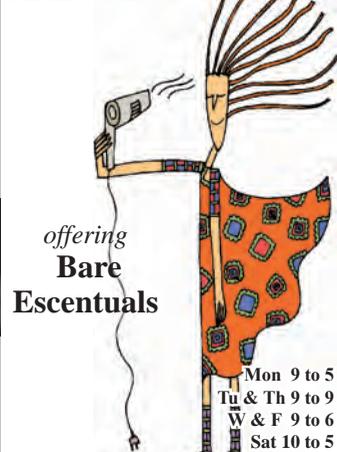
longer do. There are machines out there which can tap into zero point energy. This is the energy that surrounds all of us. This was the one thing that Nicola Tesla wanted for humankind - access to "radiant energy." Everyone would have free power in their homes. The moment he pursued this effort, his funding was cut off.

Many people have followed in Tesla's footsteps. I can hear the skeptics claiming there are no such machines. What happened to their inventions? Type in on Yahoo's search engine Secrecy Order Title 35, United States Code (1952) sections 181-188. The web sites that pop up are: www.uspto.gov/web/office/pac/mpep/consolidated_laws and www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/35. The heading for sections 181-188 is entitled, "Chapter 17 - Secrecy of Certain Inventions and filing Applications in Foreign Countries." The various United States government agencies are allowed to seize any invention which they deem detrimental to national security. The invention is then kept secret, and the patent is withheld. And guess what, if you send your invention outside of the US, you are in big trouble facing a potential prison sentence and fine. It doesn't matter if it would create world peace, it might be confiscated for that very

reason - that it could potentially create world peace.

There is no doubt in my mind that something is happening on a rapid scale on this planet. I think there is a consciousness emerging in our evolution among many people in the world. So I think the best thing we can do as human beings is to educate ourselves and work toward better goals. Check out the documentary Thrive. It may be the best thing you do for yourself, your family, your nation, your species and our planet Earth. www.thrivemovement.com

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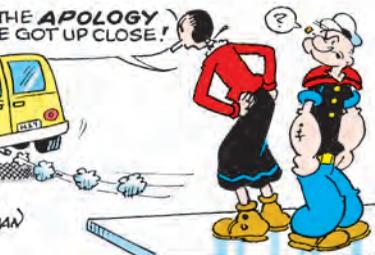
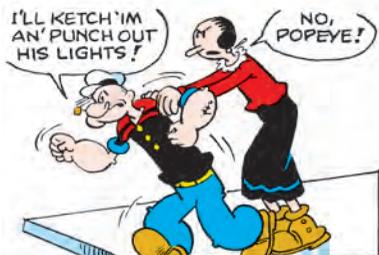
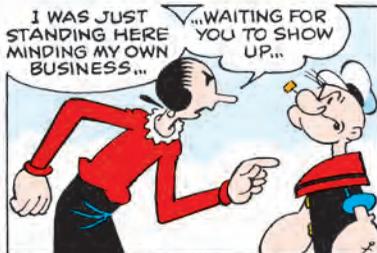
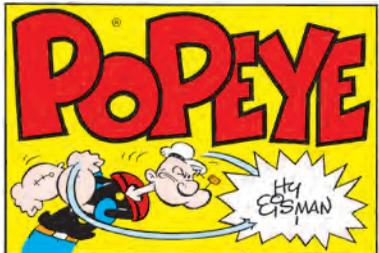
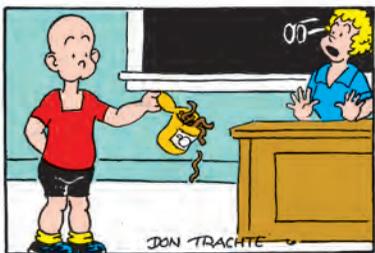
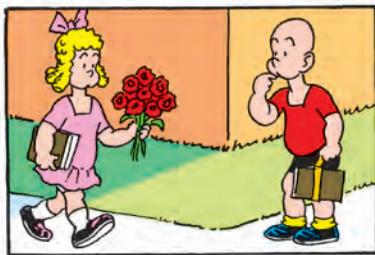
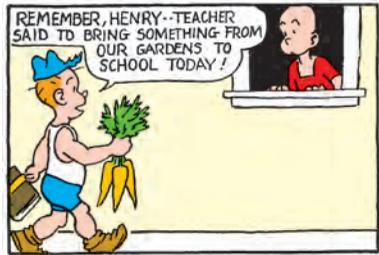
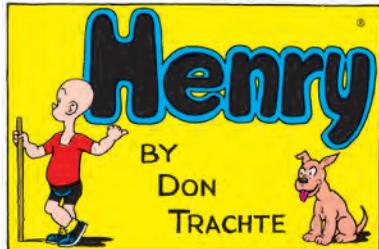
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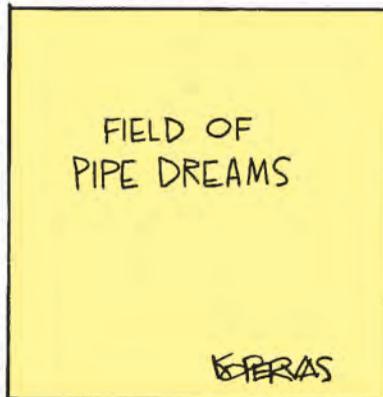
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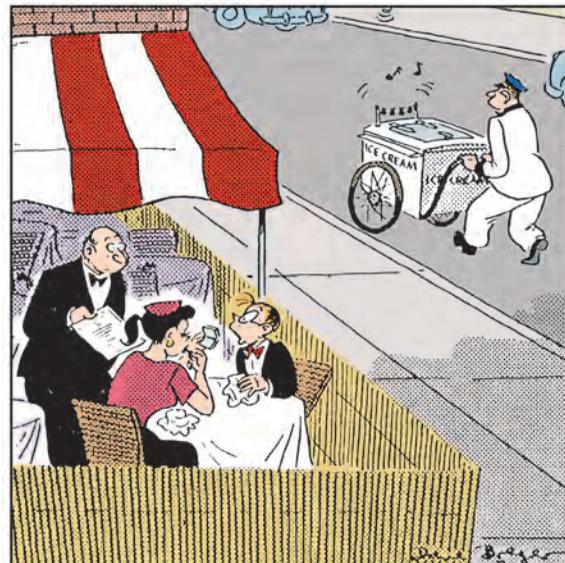


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by Gary Kopervas



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"No dessert, thank you—we've just had it ..."

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"OH! I beg your pardon."

TURTLE TRAX

By DJ Zemenick

The sea turtle season seems to have flown by so quickly this year. Our patrols officially came to an end on Friday, September 28. Throughout the summer we've already watched as over 4000 sea turtle hatchlings marched into the Gulf of Mexico. Now there are only three loggerhead nests left to hatch: one each on Perdido Key, Pensacola Beach, and in the Santa Rosa Area.

I've had a wonderful opportunity to share my love of sea turtles with you through Turtle Trax this summer, but now it is time for me to say goodbye until next year. Hopefully you have learned a bit more about our magnificent marine turtles and also enjoyed the adventures of our patrollers and nest-sitters. Through your help, I believe we have made a lot of progress in the effort to protect our sea turtles and conserve their habitat. From small actions such as individuals turning off their outside lights or picking up trash on the beach, to those who volunteered in larger fun (but educational) events like the Sea Turtle Baby Shower, each of you who put forth that effort made a positive impact this year. I can't wait to see what next year holds for us. There is a wonderful quote by environmentalist Baba Dioum, which says, "In the end we will conserve only what we love, we will love only what we understand, and we will understand only what we are taught."

Though the season has ended, there are still some very important things you can do to help our sea turtles. First of all, I encourage each of you to contact your Escambia County District Commissioner and let him know you are in favor of passing a strong lighting ordinance for Escambia County which will provide the highest level of protection for our sea turtles, and includes provisions for monitoring compliance. You may find your district commissioner's contact info at www.myescambia.com. Currently we are one of a handful of coastal counties in Florida without a lighting ordinance, but unlike the rest with their marshy shorelines, Escambia County claims a beautiful barrier island which is a prime habitat for nesting sea turtles. A lighting ordinance is critical.

Secondly, I encourage all who can to help support a new

and important project which will be a tremendous asset to our area and our sea turtles: the Navarre Beach Sea Turtle Conservation Center. Currently, injured sea turtles must be taken to Gulf World Marine Park in Panama City for treatment and in some cases to the Gulfarium in Ft. Walton Beach until they are able to be released. A rehabilitation center located nearby may mean the difference between life and death for a sea turtle which is cold-stunned or badly injured from a boat strike.

The Navarre Beach Sea Turtle Conservation Center is in the midst of a "\$100,000 Save the Sea Turtles" fund-raising campaign. Donations will go toward a sea turtle habitat for non-releasable sea turtles, rehabilitation pools and filtration systems, plus medical equipment and supplies. Your donations are tax deductible and those who are able to donate \$100 will receive an annual family pass for four to the Conservation

Center, as well as discounted programs through the Navarre Beach Marine Science Station. Even if we each contributed loose change we toss in a drawer at night or collect in a jar, we would be one step closer to getting this exciting project completed. Every little bit helps! You may learn more by going to www.navarrebeach-seaturtles.org or e-mailing info@navarrebeachseaturtles.org.

Thank you all so much for letting Turtle Trax be a part of your summer! And as always, "Lights Out!"

Nest & Hatchling Update
Pensacola Beach & Gulf Islands National Seashore as of Oct 9:

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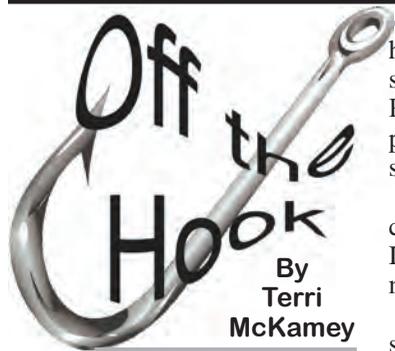
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For those of you who like spear fishing or fishing for Grouper, better get busy now. The season ends October 31. That's just a couple of weeks out, and the weather's perfect so get fishing.

Noticed a few of the boats moving up and down the beach. They're looking for that last try at Cobia moving back through heading down south.

Surf fishing: I've been hitting plenty of Whiting and a few Pompano. Ladyfish, a few Bluefish, Spanish Mackerel as well as King Mackerel are hitting, too.

All the local piers have been reporting catches.

Navarre Pier reports include

King Mackerel, Spanish Mackerel, one Mahi, and one Sailfish.

Gulf Shores Pier anglers are catching King Mackerel and Spanish Mackerel.

Pensacola Beach Pier has been reporting catches of Spanish Mackerel. I heard a Cobia was hooked, but wasn't landed on the pier just a couple of days ago.

Kudos to Navarre Beach Pier! This past weekend marked the 3rd annual Free Kid's Fishing Pole Giveaway. On October 6, the first 500 kids ages 4-12 received free fishing poles. The program was started by the State of Florida to teach children to fish and learn about sustainability. Also, all kids under age 12 will fish free weekends throughout the month of October.

So get out there and enjoy this beautiful weather and great fishing we're having. What are you waiting for? Now's the perfect time to grab a kid and go fishin!

Hope y'all have been getting out and taking advantage of this wonderful weather we're having. The cooler temperatures are really starting to bring in the Redfish and Flounder. Just the other night John Redman, Alex Searcy and Denver Dillard headed out to do some Flounder gigging. As you can see in this pic, they caught some nice doormat size Flounder. Hear they gigged five really good sized ones, but they didn't all make it back!

(Johnny you'd better teach Alex how to string fish just a little better!)

Redfish are all over Fort Pickens still. They are making that annual run and everyone (including me) can't help but hook into a Redfish or a Bull Red almost every time you throw your line out in the water. My best luck



John Redman, Alex Searcy and Denver Dillard brought home some nice Flounder. Here is one of the fish that they gigged during an October fishing trip.

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The Escambia County Sheriff's Office Fifth Annual "In Hot Pursuit" 5K will be Saturday, October 20 at 8 a.m. at Casino Beach. Proceeds from the race will go to support the Florida Sheriff's Association Youth Ranches, an organization dedicated to the prevention of juvenile delinquency and the production of strong, lawful and productive citizens for our community. There will be a fun beach course (beginning at Casino Beach), great prizes, long sleeved t-shirts, red beans and rice at the finish and medals for the winners.

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