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## Bizarre Star Andrew Zimmern Comes To The Beach



Look Inside  
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Special Section

The Pensacola Beach Chamber has a recipe for success using star power and culinary talents to amp up the Sixth Annual Taste of the Beach, Saturday and Sunday, September 14 and 15 at Casino Beach. Andrew Zimmern, center, is a James Beard Award-winning TV personality, chef, food writer, teacher and is widely regarded as one of the most versatile and knowledgeable personalities in the food world. He's the creator, host and co-executive producer of Travel Channel's hit series, Bizarre Foods with Andrew Zimmern, Andrew Zimmern's Bizarre World, and his new series, Bizarre Foods America. Zimmern will be at Taste of the Beach Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. The festival, which showcases Pensacola Beach's restaurants includes a dessert contest. Chef John Flaningam of Crab's, top left, earned first place in 2012. His Bushwacker Pie earned him a spot in the finals which will be Saturday at 3 p.m. Tropical birds and racing hermit crabs will delight young guests. Pensacola Beach resident Laken Harvey, top right, has been to Taste of the Beach every year. Look for her in the Mermaid Parade on Sunday and the Hula Hoop contest in the Children's Area. Rev up your engines! George Smith and his brother-in-law Mike Cook, bottom right, proudly mug the camera next to Smith's entry in the Life's A Vette on the Beach car show. The show is Saturday from 10 to 3 p.m. The Sauce Boss lays down some serious blues on the Gulfside Pavilion stage, bottom left. He sings and cooks a giant pot of gumbo. It delicious entertainment. The full list of ingredients for the two day buffet of fun is on Page 2 and in Tasty Times, a special four page festival, pull-out section.

# Celebrities and Signature Dishes Headline at Taste of the Beach

Sea. Sip. Savor. The trio of Taste of the Beach ingredients which created a recipe for festival success now adds a fourth – Star Power. The Pensacola Beach Chamber's sixth annual Taste of the Beach will be Saturday and Sunday, September 14-15 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Casino Beach. Celebrity Chef and star of the Travel Channel's Bizarre Foods, Andrew Zimmern, will headline the event from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, September 14. Zimmern is scheduled to



Andrew Zimmern

begin with a cooking presentation, followed by a question and answer session and a meet-and-greet. He will also serve as a judge in the *Island Times* How Sweet IT Is Dessert Contest.

"The culinary talent on this island is amazing," said Chamber Chairman Beverly Campbell. "We stirred up a little extra this year by bringing a nationally acclaimed chef."

Taste of the Beach will showcase twenty-three Pensacola Beach Chamber res-

taurants, each featuring a signature dish for under \$5. In addition to the food offerings, the Taste of the Beach includes chef presentations, music, a mermaid parade, entertainment, dancing, a children's area, corvette show, surf lessons and hermit crab racing.

"We have festival maps with the jam packed two-day event schedule for each guest," said Nicole Stacey, Beach Chamber president. "The flip side of the map has a ballot to vote for your favorite dish."

Does Grand Marlin Chef Gregg McCarthy's Grilled Ten Spice Shrimp get your vote or will Renee's Famous Paradise Mini Cuban sandwiches be your favorite? Chefs are vying for the top prize of People's Choice which will be awarded on the Gulfside Pavilion stage at 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Foodies will be in their element with the diverse offerings and those who dabble in the

kitchen will delight in the free cooking demonstrations by the beach's most famous chefs. Chef Gregg will kick off the demos on Saturday at 11, Chef Dan Dunn from H2O will cook at noon leading up to the Andrew Zimmern presentation at 1 p.m. Sunday's presenting chefs are John Flaningam, Crab's, John Smith, Hemingway's and Dennis Moore, Flounder's.

"In 2008, the Chamber envisioned a festival where guests could get a taste of a variety of dishes, particularly seafood," said Shelley Johnson, Taste of the Beach committee chairman. "Not your typical seafood festival with non-local vendors. We wanted our guests to experience some part of Pensacola Beach's restaurant scene that was new to them, and get a flavor for all things representing Pensacola Beach."

So, the festival includes things like a surf session pre-

sented by Innerlight Surf Shop.

"Surfing is certainly something to sample when on Pensacola Beach," said Shannon Hampton, Innerlight Marketing Manager. "It's free and fun for children who are strong swimmers and want to try surfing."



Seadog sends the racing crabs to the starting line.

The infamous Seadog will drop the checkered flag, Sunday at 2 p.m. for the Crab Races. Wildly funny and energetic, Seadog has a stable of hermit crabs which scurry to the finish line.

"I never know who will win," said Seadog. "Pinchie or She's Got Legs, both look like contenders for the title."

The Crab Racing is offered compliments of Crab's on the Beach. It's a free show, not to be missed.

New this year is a Mermaid Parade. Everyone is invited to

put on their best mermaid or merman costume to join the inaugural parade Sunday at 12:15. The walking procession lines up at the Gulfside Pavilion. King Neptune John Thomas and Sandshaker Queen Lisa Busby along with Pensacola Beach's Mystic Krewe of Nereids will lead the parade while former DisneyWorld character mermaid Kriss Bahroun performs live on stage. Whimsical mermaid tale charms will be given to the first 100 costumed participants.

The family friendly event has a children's area that will make parents long for days gone by. The kids have their own space with a chance to make a bracelet or pirate hat, decorate cookies, munch on cotton candy or slurp a sweet snow cone. The retro-fun Hula Hoop Contest is at 2 p.m. each day with a prize of an overnight stay on Pensacola Beach sponsored by Innisfree Hotels and Resort Quest by Wyndham. Toss in some bean bags, face painting and tattoos and kids may want to stay all day.

If you want to know more, turn to the special pull-out section pages 11-14 of this edition for maps, schedules, event descriptions and details.

## Shaker Celebrates Blending Bushwackers For Forty Years

It's all about the party. Sandshaker owners Sonny and Beverly Campbell know how to host a celebration worthy of the benchmark their historic Pensacola Beach lounge has reached.

The Sandshaker Lounge, famous as the Home of the Original Bushwacker, is forty-years-old. ShakerFest 2013, September 13-15, is a three-day all out party complete with music, food, prizes, freebies and drink specials. The kick off is Friday at 9 p.m. and the fun continues until late

on Sunday night.

The Bushwacker, a frozen concoction known for its sweet, smooth taste, was perfected by the Sandshaker's original owner, Linda Taylor, who brought the idea back from a trip to the islands. Over the years, the Bushwacker's popularity has skyrocketed and the Sandshaker's signature drink is now served in bars islandwide.

To properly toast the Shaker's fortieth birthday, guests can purchase a souvenir Shaker cup

which earns a discount on Bushwackers all weekend. If you are wondering what to wear to a celebration of this magnitude, Beverly Campbell suggests a ShakerFest 2013 t-shirt. They are available in limited quantities.

The Astronauts, The Gills, Lektric Mullet and Trunk Monkey are performing on the Shak-

er Stage. The dance floor is open for shaking everything.

The weekend culminates with the coronation of the Shaker Queen, Sunday at 6 p.m. The contest is open to ladies who gather votes at \$1 each. The money is donated to charity and the winner has a title, a tiara and a custom Shaker necklace dan-

gling from her neck.

"It's an honor to represent the Shaker in parades and events," said 2012 Queen Lisa Busby, who will crown the new queen.

Raise a glass to the Shaker, filled with a Bushwacker or a beer - here's to keeping the party going for forty more years.



They keep everything shakin' - The staff and management at the Sandshaker are, front row (L to R): Brittany Hebda, Sarah Braun, Jennifer Zayszly, Ashley Rotenberry, Shaker Owner Beverly Campbell, Patti Hall, Heather Collins and Jerry Podigil. Back row (L to R): Joe Campbell, Tammy Walter, Chris Lynn, Michelle Miller, Jacob Webb, Charlie Wheeler, Lindsey Huber, Tiffany Anderson and Hannah Grant. Shaker co-owner Sonny Campbell, not in photo...he must have been inside tending bar.

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# Forever...Barefoot on the Beach

As a tribute to Jane Waters who passed away January 10, 2012 Island Times will continue to run some of Jane's favorite columns for your enjoyment

The Islander Newspaper – November 6, 1984

In the last issue of *The Islander*, we told a tale of dancers who never pay the piper. Indeed, it's the pipers who pay for the dancers on Pensacola Beach. We pointed out that the citizens of Escambia County rigidly maintain that the beach belongs to them, and should be forever retained in all its pristine beauty for their pursuit of pleasure. However, no Escambians other than those residents of Pensacola Beach, fund the many public facilities and services which necessarily must be maintained for the use of day visitors.

At this point in the Fall of 1984, the hottest issue on the Beach is the review and completion of the Land Use Plan. Hopefully, from the standpoint of the Leaseholders and Residents Association, this plan will cut in half the densities which are currently allowable. They have asked that development and re-development come to a screeching halt until a Development

Code has been completed and accepted. They have maintained that the SRIA had the cart before the horse when it approved the leasing of 101 acres to Faddis and Keltner, who requested a zoning change to commercial/multi-density residential. The plot thickened for the Island Authority when the Board of County Commissioners shot down the lease to Faddis and Keltner. The SRIA, already committed to expand and thereby, double the capacity of the sewer system found itself without sufficient funds for the project. The six and a half million dollars they expected to acquire up front from Faddis and Keltner, fell by the wayside on a three to two commission vote. So, it's back to the pipers who pay. No one knows right now how much our utility rates will increase. No one knows if our lease fees will escalate as they come up for their five year review in 1985. Is there an escape from this morass? Yes. The name of the escape route is tourism.

Blessings upon those folks who show up here, wearing their plaid shorts, Hawaiian shirts and straw hats. Although these out-of-towners are often the target of our jokes, they do carry wallets in the pockets of those plaid shorts. The wallets are filled with cash and credit cards. They bring money to spend on Pensacola Beach. They may order one hundred dollars worth of food, using their Cajun accents, but they pay with American dollars... and they leave generous tips. You may even detect a Midwestern twang in the voice of a tourist when he charts a fishing trip or rents a sailboard or a moped or a bicycle. Go ahead and laugh - - but not too long or too loud. WE ARE ALL DEPENDENT ON THOSE TOURIST DOLLARS WHICH FLOW TO THE COFFERS OF THE ISLAND AUTHORITY. This is a fact of Island living, frequently overlooked by the residents of Pensacola Beach. We need tourists and we should go all out to court them and keep them on our shores as long as we possibly can.

Over and over again, we have heard that Pensacola Beach has little to offer in comparison to Destin, Ft. Walton, Gulf Shores and Panama City. These

are our neighbors who are enjoying the delectable fruits nurtured by the tourist dollar.

Can we, without approving endless condominiums, get in the act? Can we, without creating a circus/carnival type atmosphere, attract our share of paying guests? Yes, we can.

Instead of constructing condos and more condos, even at reduced density, why not consider the construction of a mini theme park? Take those 101 acres and enhance the land with a water related, year around classic attraction. Think about entertainment of all types - - a boat ride on a replica of the ship DeLuna sailed over here in - - mimes, puppet shows. Musicians, craftsmen, artists and clowns. All in a unique setting with lagoons, walkways and fountains. The possibilities are endless.

If this type of activity on this plot of land seems utterly inconceivable, take a look at some facts and figures. Statistics go back about ten years ago, but at that point, information from *Business Week*, shows that Disneyland in California was built on NINETY ACRES at a cost of \$20 million. The park employs 1,100 people. Disneyland does not have its own hotels, etc., so it generates \$250 million annually

in business for the surrounding area.

DisneyWorld in Orlando turned some boggy land into a theme park which employs 10,000 people and attracts ten million visitors every year. It took 3,800 workers two years to complete the huge complex which is self contained with all its own hotels and lies on 2,500 acres. However, the amusement area is built on only 100 ACRES.

According to Dudley S. Taft, a theme park developer, a mini theme park should cost 18 to 20 million dollars. He himself acquired a mini theme park in 1972 in Cedar Point, Ohio. At the end of the first year of operation, his personal profit was two and a half million dollars. The park had grossed eighteen and a half million dollars in its first year.

The advantages of a park on Pensacola Beach are at once apparent. First, it would provide year around employment, not just during construction, but for its entire lifetime. There would be minimal stress on sewer and waste water plants. Pensacola Beach could finally advertise a family attraction that would outclass anything in Northwest Florida. And the bucks rolling toward the SRIA could be dazzling...



When it rains, he rows. Pensacola Beach Resident Tom Luke is having a little fun, August 18 in what locals affectionately refer to as Lake Largo. The low lying area on Largo Drive floods during most rain events, so this summer has been a real challenge for the Largo-Corto-Rio Vista area residents. When Tom's not rowing, or pretending to fish at Lake Largo, he's out riding around in his vintage baby blue T-bird convertible.

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- Santa Rosa Island Authority 850-932-2257, [www.sria-fla.com](http://www.sria-fla.com)
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# PEOPLE

# Trivia

## SHE'S THE BOSS

Area sailors are taking orders from a fleet of female commodores. Anne Geisel is the Commodore of the Pensacola Beach Yacht Club. Susan McKinnon, Commodore Pensacola Yacht Club, Kim Edens, Commodore Navy Yacht Club and Hannah Adams, Commodore Grand Lagoon Yacht Club round out this exclusive group.

## THINK PINK

Pensacola Beach's Flamingo Social Club will flock together for their first reunion. Frank Cooper, Bob and Patty Barrington, Joy Anderson, Nona Christie and Claire Marcey will make The Grand Marlin their perch Saturday, Sept. 14. They'll raise a toast to departed members Dixie Cooper, past Island Authority board member Chet Christie, former beach Sun Deck co-owner Les Anderson and Eric Marcey. Long before gnomes, the famous pink plywood flamingos mysteriously appeared at island locations. Kay Turner plans to bring one of the remaining plywood birds to the reunion.

## NO MORE SUMMER

Dawn Wise, guest relations manager for the McGuire's restaurants, said her son, begrudgingly returned to school last

month. Mom reports he wasn't happy that his summer of fishing, baseball and basically getting to be a kid came to halt and got replaced with the responsibility of a fifth grader.

## BIG MONEY

Kelly Kessler won the Beach Church Bingo jackpot for the second time. Kessler's winnings totaled \$435. Beach Church Bingo is open to the entire community. Show up Thursday, September 5 at 6:30 p.m. with a \$20 bill in your hand. The Jackpot blackout number is 57, and the Jackpot is \$135. Dinner will be for sale prior to the games. Morrie Drees and Marilyn McDonald are the chefs for the Bingo Dinner. They'll be cooking red beans and rice, coleslaw and dessert.

## SYMPATHIES

Beach School Teacher Margie Pitts took a leave of absence to spend time with her sister Katherine, who was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2010. Dr. Katherine Hoeschler passed away August 13 surrounded by family in Flat Rock, North Carolina. She was 55. The family has requested memorial donations be made to the Westchester School for Special Children, 45 Park Avenue, Yonkers, NY, where Katherine was employed for 23 years.

A girl named Elena ruined Labor Day 1985, twice. The fiery and fickle hurricane had locals evacuating and returning only to evacuate a second time during the holiday weekend. Bank of the South Island Branch Banker Judy Lenderman was the first to respond correctly to the Trivia question. She had a rush of smarties on her heels.

Reigning Queen Shugah Jayne Redmond dredged up a memory of being stuck on the bridge with her sister Amy and a carload of pets during the Elena evacuation.

Islanders remembered all too well the double dealing Elena. Tim Pike, Dr. Fran Albert, Ray Ascherfeld, Sam Magee, Dave Greenwood and Sir Morrie Drees labored little to send the correct answer.

Jean Luke wrote, "Labor Day was postponed in 1985 because Hurricane Elena decided to return to the island after having arrived days earlier, left us alone and returned with a vengeance! We were walking on Pensacola Beach when they were trying to evacuate all the surprised disbelieving islanders."

Wild Walt Foster did not live on the Beach, then, but knew it was Elena. Big Bob Dority with his usual flare said "September 2, 1985, Hurricane Elena made

landfall near Biloxi."

Nasty John Thomas is not a computer guy, but sweet talked Kathy Feather into sending his answer. John's trivia knowledge outpaces his ability to email, so the Nasty-Feather Team is on the Trivia Master's radar now.

In the Land of the Not Right, Queen Joanne Brooks rules with a growing population.

"When the ship hit the span," writes her royalness. "I think I nailed this one."

No nails, and your Lady-in-Waiting Christine Cook remains steadfastly wrong with her answer "Hurricane Erin."

More wine for the Wrongsters, Queenie.

Pensacola's cherished Mayor Vince Whibbs stirred up a flourish of pomp and then County Com-

missioner Kenny Kelson added some circumstance with a proclamation allowing locals to celebrate Labor Day, twice. October 14 and October 21, 1985 were declared official one-time holidays. Gotta love that.

The Trivia Master unlocked the liquor cabinet and found this query for fans of frozen beach concoctions. The Sandshaker is celebrating its fortieth anniversary. Four decades of making Bushwackers. What was the price of the original rum laced bushwacker at the Shaker?

The first person, sober enough to send a correct answer, will win an *Island Times* t-shirt. Emails your name, phone number and answer to islandtimes@bellsouth.net with trivia in the subject line. Deadline to answer is Sept. 10.

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- Sep 7 Bryan Lee, 6 PM
- Sep 8 Iron Mike Norton, 6 PM
- Sep 10 Tommy Malone, 6 PM
- Sep 13 Pugsley Buzzard, 6 PM
- Sep 14 & 15 The Sauce Boss, 6 PM

## Sept 14-15

- Taste of the Beach
- vote for Renee's Shrimp Salad as Best Dish ~
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# Island Authority Considers November Air Show

High flying plans for Pensacola Beach's participation in the November Wings Over Pensacola festival are still up in the air after the Santa Rosa Island Authority's August 28 meeting. The event organizers from Pensacola Naval Air Station Morale, Welfare and Recreation office propose to host four air shows during Veteran's Day Weekend, two of which would be over Pensacola Beach. The request for a \$124,400 sponsorship from the SRIA created more questions than answers for the Administrative Committee. Committee Members Ed Guernsey and Dave Pavlock supported the idea of the Air Show, especially during November.

Air Show savvy Island Authority Director Buck Lee reported that the SRIA Red, White and Blues Air Show hosted in July with civilian pilots was a great show, but did not fill up the hotels. He was not certain that an air show in November without the Blue Angels would draw the crowds necessary to justify the investment. However, he remains hopeful that the federal government will make funds available to get the Blue Angels back to performance status. He told the Board that he has made inquiries for support vessels and agencies availability in case the Blue Angels are able to perform.

"Two months is not a lot of

time to prepare for an air show," said Lee. "But we can make it happen."

The costs and details involved in hosting an air show over Pensacola Beach are different from one at the Navy base, so Lee recommended that the board consider two different scenarios with the SRIA controlling plans, costs and air show implementation on Pensacola Beach.

SRIA Board Chairman Thomas Campanella was not ready to make a leap of faith about a November event without more information, and Committee Member Fred Gant concurred.

"I support the motion to look at the numbers, see what the benefits are to the Beach and its businesses, so we can make an informed decision," said Gant.

The Committee voted to have staff prepare a full report for the September 11 board meeting.

Dottie Ford, SRIA director of finance, presented a strong financial report from June's lease fee receipts. Income for the month outpaced the previous year by 13 percent. Collections totaled \$826,363. Expenses were within budget. The Administrative Committee accepted her report and approved a \$3,000 sponsorship request from the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity to support their annual Leadership Conference held at the Hilton on Pensacola Beach.

Pensacola Beach residents may enjoy quieter nights after the Administrative Committee approved a request to apply the new Escambia County Noise Abatement Ordinance to the residential areas of Pensacola Beach. The ordinance prohibits unreasonable noises after 10 p.m. The commercial core area would remain under the 70 decibel standards, measured at the receiving property boundary.

Resident Ray Ascherfeld, who is the Pensacola Beach Advocates vice president, said, "The County passed a common sense noise ordinance and I think that if people know the rule that 90 percent of them will abide by it."

In other business, the Architectural and Environmental Committee rejected all bids to construct the new Visitor's Information Center. According to Director Lee, relocating utilities, impact fees and fire hydrant placement added uncertainty and inflated prices. The Committee voted to invest \$25,000 in more detail engineering plans, and have the SRIA cover the costs of utility relocation, impact fees and fire hydrant placement. The proposed VIC location received a landscaping variance, as well.

Baskerville Donovan Vice President Jim Waite, who has become an local expert on the funds flowing from the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill penalties,

gave an overview of the funding structure to the SRIA committees.

"In Florida, 75 percent of the Gulf Coast Restoration Trust Fund moneys will go to the eight most impacted counties," said Waite. "Escambia County is one of those."

The funds fall into categories or buckets. Escambia County has submitted 89 projects for funding from a particular "bucket," totaling \$1.3 billion. Only one of the 89 was submitted by the SRIA.

"Please remember that Pensacola Beach was ground zero for oiled beaches in Florida," encouraged Waite. "You were impacted by loss of income and loss of use."

In his presentation, he noted that rules from the Treasury Department and final court decisions make it difficult to know exactly what will be funded and at what amount.

After a detailed explanation about the various agencies and how funds will flow to Escambia County, Waite made some suggestions to the Committee:

- ◆ Submit more projects to all "buckets."
- ◆ Submit projects to the Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund "bucket."
- ◆ Give priority to generational projects, such as beach renourishment. Those projects will favorably impact the beach for future generations.
- ◆ Think about water quality and storm water projects.
- ◆ Bring creative, outside of the box ideas forward.
- ◆ Continue to submit good projects for consideration. There is no deadline.

The SRIA Full Board meets Wednesday, September 11 at 5 p.m. at #1 Via de Luna. The meetings are open to the public.

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# peas, porridge and a dry martini

by Kathi Lewis

My Mother was a very avid reader and I inherited my love of reading from her. So I know she's smiling down from Heaven because my grandson Jesiah Fitzgerald received a Florida Achievement Award for making the highest FCAT score in the State of Florida in reading. His little sister Quincy Rowe (my-SissyGirl), who has just entered the second grade, is reading at the third grade level. Pappy and I are always so very proud of their accomplishments but these top the chart for me. Of course I'm positive they have both inherited their skills from me, after all, I'm 59 and reading at the 65-year-old level.

The Mystic Krewe of Nereids, while attending the Mermaid Retreat, left some distinct and lasting impressions upon the citizens of Colonial Williamsburg. After 24 hours in town, the doormen at the Colonial Williamsburg Lodge stared announcing our arrivals. Ella Hess, Christine Hewerdine, Elaine Mitchell, Becky Shearman, Courtney Winstead, Marilyn LeNormand and I flew into Norfolk, Virginia around midnight. Our hired shuttle driver was only too happy to make a food stop for us 'cause y'all know they only serve 10 pretzels and 15 peanuts per flight.

Since this was the first time I've flown (on an airplane) in a very long time, I was pleasantly surprised to find the other passengers were very friendly and sociable. On the flight to Atlanta I was seated next to a polite young man from Southern California. He had been in Pensacola to celebrate his grandmother's 87th birthday. Before leaving, he purchased a lottery ticket and left it in her care in case they won. I'm keeping my fingers crossed.

Our hostess for the Mermaid Retreat, Rebecca Suerdieck met us on Tuesday morning at a local fabric store. She had arranged for several seamstresses to take our measurements and sew our new Mermaid Tails. After being measured, we were free to shop for a couple of hours before fittings were required. Rebecca is known as the Jamestown Mermaid, which is where our photographs were taken on a lovely sandy shore with some very large rocks. Being a Mermaid is

just one of her many jobs but she still managed to treat us like royalty and cater to our every whim. Upon check-in at the Lodge, we were presented with very nice gift bags containing an assortment of candy, fruit and muffins. (Man, I sure coulda used that on the airplane!) She also served us lunch every day and her sweet husband, Mike aka "Mikey Mon" not only helped carry and fetch, but joined us as much as possible.

On Tuesday evening, Mermaid Rebecca had arranged for a private Ghost Tour of Colonial Williamsburg. One of the ghosts who died at a young age fell in love with Christine and followed us back to the Lodge where he made his presence known with some very distinct messages.

Then there was our favorite shuttle driver who was instantly struck by Marilyn's beauty and charisma. Of course, we called him every time we needed a driver (which was nearly every day). Luckily they have shuttles that can easily hold a group of our size since most of Colonial Williamsburg was operating on very short hours. We had dinner at a Tavern called "Josiah's Chowning" after the ghost tour. But when we headed to dinner at another Tavern, we found it was only open from 5 until 8 p.m. I think we may have been at the end of their tourist season. Can you imagine our beach dining establishments operating only 3 hours per day?

We all spotted Josiah's Chowning Tavern because of its similarity to my grandson's name. It was a great dinner even though it served uncolonial food it did have lots of colonial entertainment. We even learned there's a "Language of the Fan." I only have one language of the fan and it is, "I'm extremely hot so get outta my way."

It turns out that Mermaid

Rebecca's brother lives in Milton. It really is a small world, huh? We expect to see her on our sandy shores when she comes to visit him. We'll be strolling along the beach in our mermaid tails which we can hardly wait to show off!

It's been an extraordinary summer for me and there's still more to come. We'll soon be road-tripping to Marilyn LeNormand's for the Krewe's private Splash Party. Next will be the Taste of the Beach with Andrew Zimmern and a Mermaid Parade. In October, Bill and I have second row seats at the IP in Biloxi to see Kris Kristofferson. By then it will be time for the Krewe of Wrecks Halloween Party and when will it stop? I hope it never does. I'm still dreaming of Mermaids and Pirates roaming our island.....

To celebrate the Taste of the Beach, it's only appropriate to share a recipe from one of our favorite locals. Although you won't find this recipe on the menu, it comes from Renee Mack at Paradise Bar and Grill. C'mon, nobody gives away their trade secrets. Still, it's a keeper so let's cook.....

**Grilled Honey Shrimp**  
**1 lb. jumbo shrimp, peeled and deveined**  
 ½ Cup honey  
 ½ Cup soy sauce  
**Wasabi to taste**  
**1 tsp. sesame seed oil**

Combine equal amounts of honey and soy sauce using more if needed to cover shrimp. Add Wasabi to taste and marinate shrimp for a minimum of 35 - 45 minutes. Remove shrimp, discard marinade and place shrimp on hot grill. Brush with sesame seed oil and cook until shrimp turns pink.

Enjoy, share and thank a Veteran!

See ya in the kitchen.....



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# A Cross in the Sand

By  
Rev. Dr. Tom Garrison  
Pensacola Beach Community Church



When we look around we see decisions we are asked to make regardless if it concerns us or not. There is always something on one of our media sources; television, radio, computer, tablet or smart phone, that invites to make judgments on things we have little knowledge about and no control over. We are not only confronted with those things, but also with the tasks of our everyday lives.

The decisions we make can, and many times will, affect the rest of our lives. I have found that some choices are easy to make; while some are more difficult. Some will lead us to success, while others will bring us face-to-face with failure.

A number of years ago I recall when I was living in Canada, there was an older man I visited often. He recounted the opening of the local paper manufacturer, which would produce all the newsprint paper for Boston. He had a choice to stay at his job or go to work for this new big business. He decided to stay where he was since they both paid the same, while most of his co-workers went to the new jobs. By the time I arrived in Canada, all the people of his age had retired. He told me that his retirement was about one-third of those who chose to go to the other company. This weighed on his mind and he talked about it continually.

It was a couple of years after I moved back to the U.S. that I received word that he had taken his own life. He could never recover from making what he felt was the

worst financial decision of his life. His wife said he could never forgive himself for what he thought was such a bad decision that affected his life and his family's.

In our world of choices and decisions it may be good to ask the right questions. Here are a few to help us along the way;

- Will this choice bring me long-term fulfillment or will it bring me short-term gratification?
- Am I looking for what's right or am I looking for what's wrong?
- Is this an act of faith or is it an act of fear?
- Am I choosing from my divinity or am I choosing from my humanity?

The choices are ours, may God lead us as we make them.

# School Leadership Changes

Pensacola Beach Elementary School Board of Directors kicked off a new school year by voting in three new board members. Beach residents Kristin Amberson, Wendy Kaufman and Lois Hausman will join President Todd McCurdy, Mark Thompson and Jeff May on the governing board of the Beach's charter school. They replace Julie Cardon, who retired from the board; and Shelby Smith and Jennifer Neal, who are Beach School staff members. The rules have changed and staff no longer can serve on the board.

Principal Jeff Castleberry reported that the opening days of school went smoothly. The current enrollment is 135 students. Grades third, fourth and fifth still have available seats. The kindergarten class is at maximum capacity, so the Board approved Castleberry's request to hire Becca Rivera as a full time co-teacher.

During the financial report,

Castleberry announced that teachers would share bonuses which are being funded by the State of Florida. The board approved a formula for distribution to each teacher based on her full time or part time status.

The Beach School, which is a charter school, does not receive funds from Escambia County and is funded through the state and by private donations.

Based on the current enrollment, the Board set a fundraising goal of \$65,000 to balance their annual budget.

"We will really have to reach out to the community with our Partners-in-Education campaign to meet this goal," said Todd McCurdy, board president.

The Partners-in-Education letters have been sent to each parent and previous donors. Interested parties can find more information online at [www.pb.es.org](http://www.pb.es.org).

Other announcements included:

□ The Parent Teacher Association is being led by Debra Burchalter.

□ Open House will be hosted in September, date to be announced.

□ The Celebration 4444 Education Poker Tournament which benefits the Beach School Music Department is set for Saturday, October 19 at 1 p.m. at The Dock. All parents are encouraged to attend.

□ Pensacola Beach Fire Station 13 has been ensuring that drivers notice the school zone by activating the fire truck lights each afternoon. The staff appreciates this and hopes it continues through the year.

□ McCurdy has received preliminary estimates on new building construction. Additional bids will be available by the next meeting.

The Board will meet Monday, September 23 at 6 p.m. at the Beach School. The meetings are open to the public.

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# The School Bell Rings

## NEW SANDPIPERS

Fifth grade teacher Tara Turk welcomed five students new to Pensacola Beach Elementary on the first day of school. Veteran Sandpipers wrote about their new classmates:

**By Azzi Parries** - Welcome to our brand new fifth grader, Kayla Dickson! She is from Africa Namibia and used to go to Kleine Professor College. She speaks two different languages, Afrikaans and a bit of German, which are almost the same. She moved here three months ago. Well, folks, that's Kayla and hopefully she'll enjoy her fifth grade year with Mrs. Turk at PBES.

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**By John Turk** - All the way from Blue Water Elementary School comes Lucas Hildebrand, an up-beat new student added to Pensacola Beach Elementary

School. He'll be happy here because his favorite subject is science and we do lots in fifth grade. Lucas enjoys conducting experiments and is looking forward to performing them this year. In his free time, Luke plays sports such as soccer, baseball, tennis, and surfing. We can tell from the twinkle in his eyes, Lucas will surely spice up our year!

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**By McKaylie Uhl** - Fifth grade is happy to welcome Audrey Gordon as one of our new students. Audrey has come to us from New Orleans. In school she likes art, science, and lunch. In art she loves to draw and use water colors. When she grows up she wants to work in robotics because she loves the idea of it. Audrey came from where Mardi Gras was started. She says she's been to about four of them. Audrey says you have to bring like

six bags to carry all the beads home. I highly recommend being friends with Audrey if you go to PBES!

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**By Alana Depascalis** - Toby Ostheimer, one of our new students from Honduras, is a wonderful student. Toby came

to Pensacola Beach with his mom because she wanted to become a U.S. resident. Toby is American and Honduran and he speaks both Spanish and English. Toby enjoys playing with his Play Station, playing soccer, and hanging out with his cousins. Toby is an awesome guy and I can't wait to

learn more about him!

## A PIECE OF PIE

It's time to become a Partners-in-Education. The Beach School needs your donation. Go to [www.PBES.org](http://www.PBES.org) to fill out the online form or send a check to PBES, 900 Via de Luna, Pensacola Beach, FL, 32561.



Sound the alarm! The Pensacola Beach Optimist Club's Chili Cook Off hosted at the Beach Church Fellowship Hall, August 27 had a record number of entries. Reverend Chuck Randle, left, was the winner with Helen's Four Season Chili. Louise Greenley, center, earned second place. Optimist Club President Debbie Campanella, right, organized the dinner to thank the Beach's First Responders. Deputies, fire fighters, EMTs and lifeguards were the guests of honor.

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Eddie Woerner, top, demonstrated his Freedom Rider deer stand prototype August 16 near The Dock on Pensacola Beach. Retired USMC Lt. Col. Dave Glassman, right, served as the team leader and organizer of the Pensacola Beach AHERO events for wounded warriors. The tracked equipment can be retrofitted to suit any physical needs allowing access to harsh or sandy terrain. Each attendee made a test ride in the Freedom Rider. Receiving instructions from Glassman are (L to R): Jake Healey, Kyle Hussin and Murphy Hueston. AHERO events included fishing, dinners, marine and reef diving presentations.

## Bananimals Roar Onto Party Scene

The barn door is open and the Krewe of Bananimals is welcoming all new, prospective and returning members to a Shrimp Boil and Membership Drive, Sunday, September 8 at Sabine Sandbar.

Board Treasurer Mary Jo Tibbits expects the party and meeting to get started about 3 p.m. The volunteers at the registration table will be accepting payment for dinner and annual dues renewals. New members can

fill out applications.

"The annual dues remain \$50," said Tibbits. "The Shrimp Boil tickets are just \$10 each."

The Beach famous krewe hosts this as an annual event to welcome new members and get reacquainted after a two month summer vacation.

"Everyone is welcome," Tibbits added. "No dress code, after all, it's the Krewe of Bananimals."

The Krewe meets the first

Sunday of each month at Sabine Sandbar at 3 p.m. and more frequently during Mardi Gras season. In addition to the parties, the krewe enters its float in the Beach parades and hosts a masquerade ball. The krewe supports an annual charitable giving campaign.

The Bananimals officers are President Carlette Howell, Vice President Dianne Kildow, Secretary Stacie Wright and Treasurer Mary Jo Tibbits.

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# BYTES & BITS

By Joe Stukey , Your Computer Pal

Q: "What is the most common problem with laptops?"

A: The most common problem is related to overheating of the computer. There are several causes for overheating, so I will cover some of them in this article.

First, look at the way you use the laptop computer. Contrary to its name, the laptop is not designed to sit directly on your lap. The exception to this would be some of the new computers that have no ventilation openings on the bottom of the computer. Most laptops still require some air space between the laptop and surface on which they are sitting. That is because air flows into the bottom of the computer and cools the hottest parts of the computer. Without that air flow, the computer will shut down unexpectedly due to excess heat. The thing to know about this problem is that you should avoid placing your computer on soft surfaces, such as sofas, beds, and pillows --- and your lap.

As time goes by, the small fan inside the computer pulls dust, lint and pet hair into the computer. Eventually, the dust builds up around the air intake, slowing the air flow. As the intake becomes more heavily covered with dust, the air flow stops completely. Because the computer is generating high heat, the computers internal parts become extremely hot. The heat can be felt on the bottom of the computer and occasionally through the keyboard. If the bottom of the computer feels uncomfortably warm, the computer is overheating.

The result is that the com-

puter starts to exhibit problems, including powering off, video failure, and failure to power on. By that time, the main circuit board (motherboard) may be damaged beyond economical repair and may have to be replaced. The good news is that, if the problem is detected early enough, the covers of the computer can be removed and the blockage can be cleaned out. After that, the computer will be back to normal.

A few other things, such as defective batteries, can cause computers to be hot, but that is easily detected by operating the computer without the battery. In that case, check your vendor's website to find out if your battery is under a recall.

This article was provided by The Stukey Group. For questions, contact Joe at joe@ycpals.com or 850-206-3156.

# Friends of Freddy Get Ready To Rock

Local musicians and card sharps will gather at The Dock, Saturday, September 7 for an afternoon jam session and benefit poker game. The Friends of Freddy benefit will begin at 1 p.m. and organizers Richard Uzdevenes and Terri McKamey want everyone to stop by.

"We want to help Freddy Esposito defray expenses incurred during a recent hospital stay," said Uzdevenes. "So

we'll play a little Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun and jam up on stage, throw some money in hat and sell some raffle tickets."

Friends of Freddy is a broad category since the iconic Pensacola Beach character surfs, plays music, designs websites, shoots photography and videography, writes, rants, skates, and rides his bike. He even waxes poetic about the place he calls home - Pen-

sacola Beach. He's a stalwart among the Surfer's Memorial founders and has even made presentations to the Beach School classes about surf, tides and the Gulf.

"It's time for the people whose lives he has touched to reach out to him," said Uzdevenes. "Let's have some fun."

If you can't make the tourney and jam session, call 850-324-2667 to make a donation.

## Soiree Set for Social Director

Turn-about is fair play. Angela Moore has invited the entire island to toast the Sidewalk Social Director Gena Raymon's birthday, Wednesday, September 11 at 5:30 p.m. at the Pelican Lounge in the Travel Lodge on Ft. Pickens Road.

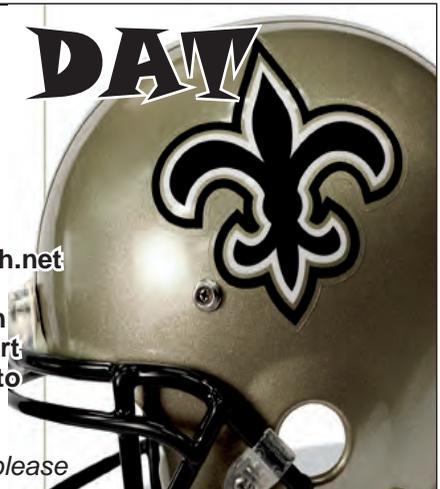
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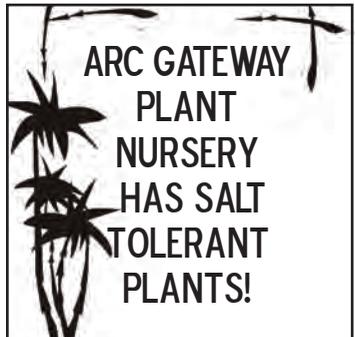
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Thursday, Sep 5: Karaoke with Becky, 8 pm  
Friday, Sep 6: Karaoke with Becky, 8 pm  
Saturday, Sep 7: High Horse Band, 8 pm  
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## Chamber Cooks Up Recipe for Festival Success

The Sixth Annual Taste of the Beach will fill the Gulfside Pavilion and Casino Beach with irresistible aromas Saturday and Sunday, September 14 - 15 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sip and savor your way through some of the delicious details contained in this four page guide.

**The History:** *Island Times* readers responded overwhelmingly to a survey question about having a seafood festival to return to Pensacola Beach. In 2008, the Beach Chamber Board of Directors presented the first Taste of the Beach to showcase Island chefs. They were committed to bringing a quality, affordable festival product to locals and visitors. To this day, all menu items are \$5 or less, and there is no entry fee to attend the festival.

**Be Kind To The Beach:** The Pensacola Beach Advocates' had a vision that Taste of the Beach could be free of plastic water bottles, so they started the tradition of selling Taste of the Beach souvenir water tumblers. They are refilled for free with ice, cold water all weekend long. This year's colorful, insulated reusable tumblers are sponsored by Levin Rinke Resort Realty, Sandshaker, Pensacola Historic Village, Emerald Coast Rentals, Bamboo Willie's, Pensacola Parade People, PensacolaBeachMardiGras.com, Pensacola Beach Advocates, The Grand Marlin and Resort Quest by Wyndham. Gulf Breeze High School swimmers are the volunteer sales staff. A portion of the proceeds are donated to the team. Recycling receptacles are located throughout the festival site for soft drink cans.

**A Free Ride:** Go Retro shuttles will run on Saturday only, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. from the Beach Church parking lot to the Casino Beach. Originally set up for festival volunteers, the Chamber is offering the free ride to everyone.

**Surf Lessons:** Kowabunga! A different kind of sampling of

### Entertainment & Events

#### Saturday, Sept 14

- 9 - 11 a.m. Surfing Lessons, west side of Gulf Pier
- 11 - 4 p.m. Boogie Inc
- 10 - 3 p.m. Corvette Show
- 1- 1:45 p.m. Andrew Zimmern Presentation
- 1:45 - 2 p.m. Andrew Zimmern Question/Answer Session
- 2 - 3 p.m. Andrew Zimmern Meet & Greet
- 3 - 4 p.m. How Sweet IT Is Dessert Contest

#### Sunday, Sept 15

- 11 - 4 p.m. Boogie Inc
- 11 - 12:15 Dancingly Yours
- 12:15-12:30 Mermaid Parade
- 12:30 - 2 p.m. Sauce Boss
- 2 - 2:30 p.m. Crab Racing
- 2:30 - 4 p.m. The Gills
- 4:00 p.m. People's Choice Award

the wonderful things on Pensacola Beach. Innerlight Surf Shop is offering free surf lessons for kids who are strong swimmers. Show up with your suit and a big dose of courage at 9 a.m. on the west side of the Pensacola Beach Gulf Pier.

**Boogie, Inc.** is the official DJ entertainment for Taste of the Beach. In addition to playing your favorite songs, Boogie will simulcast all the festival's performance stage entertainment onto large, high definition screens located under the dining tent. Have a request? Boogie is located at the center of the action, near the stage, at the Gulfside Pavilion.

**Life's A Vette** on Pensacola Beach Corvette Show is hosted by the Miracle Strip Corvette Club on Saturday only. Two hundred Vettes representing five decades to wow you. No charge to stroll through the rows of American sportscars.

**Bizarre Star:** You've seen him on the Travel Channel, now you can meet him in person. Celebrity Chef Andrew Zimmern is coming to Taste of the Beach. He'll cook, talk, answer questions and you can get his autograph. Special mini commemorative posters will be available at the Chamber's Hospitality Tent.

**Dessert Contest:** The *Island Times* How Sweet IT Is finals



will be at the Gulfside Pavilion, 3 p.m. Saturday. Judges include Celebrity Chef Andrew Zimmern, Chef Blake Rushing of Type, Chef Sam Trahan from Lafayette and *Island Times* Food Columnist and former Beach restaurateur Kathi Lewis. Finalists are Dennis Moore of Flounder's, John Flaningam of Crab's, Josh O'Leary of Shaggy's, Lee Kafety of Cactus Flower, Lisa Burgess of Wild Roots and Steve Lillo of Lillo's Tuscan Grille.

**Dancingly Yours**, a local dance troupe comprised of school-aged performers, will delight you. Small dancers with big talent. They take the Gulfside Pavilion stage at 11 a.m. on Sunday with their well-choreographed song and dance numbers. High energy and full of surprises, they are under the direction of Pensacola Beach resident Monette Hodges.

**Mermaid Parade:** Open to mystical mermaids, salty sea-going mermen, Neptune look-alikes or anyone else who wants to join the procession. Get your costume ready. Mermaid mementos to the first one hundred in line. Special appearance by former DisneyWorld cast member Kriss Bahroun.

**Likeable Licks:** The Sauce Boss stirs up his own kind of musical gumbo while cooking

### Chefs Presentations • Dining Tent

#### Saturday, Sept. 14

- 11 a.m. Greg McCarthy, The Grand Marlin
- Noon Dan Dunn, H2O

#### Sunday, Sept 15

- Noon John Flaningam, Crab's
- 1 p.m. John Smith, Hemingway's
- 2 p.m. Dennis Moore, Flounder's

### Children's Area

#### Saturday, Sept 14

- 11- 12 Cotton Candy & Snow Cones, Bean Bag Toss
- 12 - 2 Arts and Crafts
- 1-2 Sugar Cookie Decorating, Pirate Invasion
- 2 - 2:30 Hula Hoop Contest
- 2-3 Cotton Candy & Snow Cones, Treasure Hunt
- 2-4 Face painting, tattoos, Bean Bag Toss

#### Sunday, Sept 15

- 11- 12 Cotton Candy & Snow Cones, Bean Bag Toss
- 12- 12:30 Mermaid Parade
- 12 - 2 Arts and Crafts
- 1-2 Sugar Cookie Decorating, Pirate Invasion
- 2 - 2:30 Hula Hoop Contest
- 2-3 Cotton Candy & Snow Cones, Treasure Hunt
- 2-4 Face painting, tattoos, Bean Bag Toss

the soup made famous in South Louisiana. Followed by The Gills from Nashville, who will rock the Sunday concert stage.

**Crab Racing:** Professional Hermit Crab-wrangler Seadog has just returned from the secret South Florida training camp with a new stable of scampering crustaceans. It's possibly the craziest thing you have ever seen. It's worth being part of the crowd. You get to name a racing crab, if you are in line first. Near the steps at the Gulfside Pavilion. Good fun for kids of all ages.

**Best Dish:** You get to vote for your favorite dish. Harder than you think after you taste a few. Competition is heated. Beach chefs want to win. Ballots are on side two of the festival map. Available at the Chamber's Hospitality Tent.

**Win A Weekend:** The Chamber is selling chances to win a fabulous Beach Weekend complete with lodging and other surprises. Tickets are one buck. You don't

have to be present to win.

**Children's Area:** The Beach Chamber loves kids! Stop by the Kids Area for sweet stuff and fun games. Check out the schedule for free snow cones and cotton candy, or the cookie decorating session. Can you create a delicious decorated sugar cookie?

Toss a bean bag for a prize or join the Hula Hoop contest. The event is for ages 16 and younger, and you could win an overnight stay on a Pensacola Beach.

Ahoy, Little Land Lubbers. Our Beach is full of fanciful characters including friendly pirates. Make your own pirate hat and have your photo taken with a Pensacola Beach Pirate. Go ahead, get a tattoo!

**An Extra Helping:** More information is available by calling 850-932-1500 or emailing penbeach@visitpensacolabeach.com. The event website contains videos, news clips and a countdown clock. Check it out at TasteofPensacolaBeach.com.



# Taste of the Beach presented by the Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce

## Saturday, September 14 & Sunday, September 15 from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. • Gulfside Pavilion

### Restaurants

Visit the Taste of the Beach restaurants serving their signature dishes.

1. Crab's - She Crab Soup
2. Flounder's - Seafood Nachos
3. Dog House Deli - Cajun Persuasion
4. Bamboo Willie's - Island Blow Pop
5. Cactus Flower - Mazatlan Cerviche
6. The Wine Bar - Chicken Salad
7. Shaggy's - Fish Tacos
8. Surf Burger - Sliders
9. Hemingway's - Fish Tacos
10. Sandshaker - Complimentary Bushwackers
11. Beach Pops - Organic Pops
12. Wild Roots - Socca
13. Hilton H20 - Kailbi Ribs
14. Hooter's - Chicken Wings
15. Paradise Bar & Grill - Mini Cubans
16. Lillo's - Sausage Grinders
17. The Dock - Corn and Crab Bisque
18. Frank & Lola's - Crab & Shrimp Mac 'n' Cheese
19. The Grand Marlin - Ten Spice Shrimp
20. Riptides - Yucatan Lettuce Wraps
21. Red Fish, Blue Fish - Carne Tacos
22. PegLeg Pete's - Coconut Shrimp
23. Sidelines - Fried Grouper Nuggets

### Young Guests

Taste of the Beach is a family friendly event. Children's Area is located on the west festival border and has its very own schedule. There is no charge to participate in the Children's Area activities, contests and games.

### Necessities

Public restrooms are located just west of the festival site  
Need extra cash? ATMs are located at Crab's and The Dock - just steps from the festival site.



### Thirsty?

Ice cold water sold in Taste of the Beach Souvenir Water Tumblers or colorful stadium cups. Available at the water tent and the southside water kiosks.

Soft drinks are available in multiple locations throughout the festival site.  
The Taste of the Beach bars will be open in two locations to serve beer, wine and mixed drinks.

### Seating

Enjoy your meal under the Taste of the Beach dining tent. The open-air tent has banquet tables and chairs providing a shaded, Gulf front eating experience. Andrew Zimmern's appearance will be simulcast onto the big screen televisions located under the tent. Additional seating is available in front of the Pavilion. Guests are welcome to bring beach chairs to set up on the sandy beach.

### Need Assistance?

Taste of the Beach volunteers can be identified by their bright green t-shirts. The Chamber Hospitality Tent is located at the festival entrance. Staff is ready to answer your questions. Escambia County deputies will be on site. Dial 9-1-1 for emergencies.



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The Gills - 2:30pm - 4pm

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# BUSINESS BUZZ.....

## IT'S TRIVIAL

Can the Boogie Man outwit the Beach's smartest? Boogie, Inc's David McDonald is willing to try. Check out Live Video Trivia Challenge at Paradise on Wednesday nights beginning at 6 p.m. Trace Lewis took home one of the trophies, while Fran Cox got a Dum-Dum pop.

## BOB'S SUCCESSOR

Baptist Health Care has named Scott Raynes as senior vice president of the Gulf Breeze market segment. Raynes succeeds Pensacola Beach resident Bob Harriman, who retired on June 30 after 22 years of service. Raynes will be responsible for strategic planning and leadership of Gulf Breeze Hospital, Baptist Medical Park-Navarre and the Andrews Institute for Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine.

## THE WRITE STUFF

Each October, Pensacola Beach plays host to some of the World's most talented songwriters – creating a musical and creative atmosphere unlike any other. Pensacola Beach Songwriters Festival is set for October 1 through October 6 with over 100 songwriters scheduled to appear. More info is available at [www.PensacolaBeachSongwritersFestival.com](http://www.PensacolaBeachSongwritersFestival.com).

## HOW SWEET IT IS

Good luck to the talented dessert chefs who have qualified for the September 14 *Island*

*Times* dessert contest. Stop by the Gulfside Pavilion at 3 p.m. to see the show.

## UP TO PAR

The Pensacola Beach American Legion Post 379 is offering businesses and individuals an opportunity to advertise at their fourteenth annual Putt Putt Golf Outing. Tee signs are just \$25. Send your check and your three line message to P.O. Box 1163, Gulf Breeze, FL, 32562.

For those who are sharpening up their short game, the Putt Putt

Outing is October 19 at Tiki Island Golf and games. The public is welcome to play.

## WHO DAT

Where are you watching the Saints versus Falcons game at noon, Sunday, September 8? We want to see a photo of you and your friends cheering for Dat! We might even accept a few Falcon fan photos. Send to [islandtimes@bellsouth.net](mailto:islandtimes@bellsouth.net). We'll publish the best photo and give you an *Island Times* t-shirt. Hurry. Deadline is Monday, September 9.



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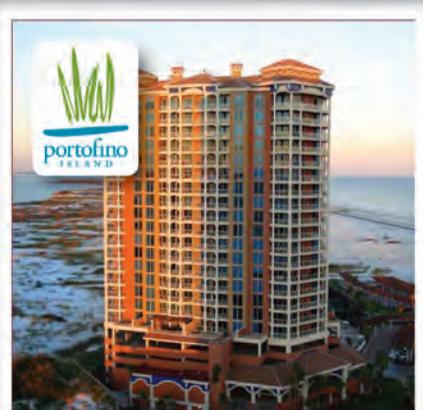
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Jambo (Hello) Everybody! *Success is relative. It is how we can turn around the mess we have made of things.* T. S. Eliot is a wise man.

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Artists are immersed in the creative process and like any work of art the natural order of life is the aging process. Our ag-

## Unlimited Horizons Offers Holistic Health Wellness Program

Unlimited Horizons presents "Sacred Health - A Path To Freedom & Joy" with Sue Sides, Sunday, September 8, from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Gulf Breeze Community Center, 800 Shoreline Drive in Gulf Breeze. The entry fee is \$7 at the door.

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ing influences the texture, tone, and appearance of skin. We have talked in past editions about repeated exposure to damaging sunlight. We also need to acknowledge the damaging effects that chemicals introduce into our bodies and skin.

Did you know that whatever is absorbed through the skin bypasses the liver and is absorbed directly into the blood stream? So all those toxic and harmful chemicals in the products we use and put on our skin do not get broken down. Be careful of the specific beauty products you put on your skin. Eventually the skin starts to thin, age spots appear, and uneven skin tone, with wrinkle formation resulting.

Daily changes in diet, choices of products and increased consumption of water are our weapons against this damage. In the next issue I will give you an organic moisturizer formula.

Remember, some people are like teabags...they don't know their own strength until they get in hot water. So start dancing if your singing career does not blossom.

Quaharini (until we meet again) Safarisu

## Local Author's Work Subject of Feature Film

### Jugs & Bottles Goes To The Movies

Gulf Breeze's Nelson O. Ottenhausen has received an offer from Buoy 22 Films of Ferndale, Michigan to produce his novel, Jugs & Bottles into a feature film. At this time Buoy 22 Films and Patriot Media, Incorporated of Niceville, Florida are working on the screenplay and are aiming to start preproduction in 2014.

Patrick Moug, director/screen writer of Buoy 22 Films, said, "When I read Jugs & Bottles, I was immediately transported into a world where Old Yeller, Sleepless In Seattle and The Godfather all rolled into one. Jugs & Bottles is a heart-warming story of Bottles, a golden retriever who protects and saves his hearing impaired owner from bungling criminals and is a perfect combination of the comedic style of movies which appeals to all family members—parents and young adults alike."

Along with Jugs & Bottles, Nelson has five other novels published. His books can be purchased at his web site [booksbynelson.com](http://booksbynelson.com) or on [patriotmediainc.com](http://patriotmediainc.com), and [amazon.com](http://amazon.com). Those wishing to purchase autographed copies of his books can contact him at [nelson@patriotmediainc.com](mailto:nelson@patriotmediainc.com) with their requests.

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### King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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# Calendar

SEPT  
 3: Bands on the Beach. Gulfside Pavilion, 7-9. Free. Emma Grant, [www.visitpensacolabeach.com](http://www.visitpensacolabeach.com)  
 7: Friends of Freddie Poker and Music Jam. 1 p.m. The Dock. Fundraiser. Open to everyone.  
 7: Krewe of Silver Slipper, Luau, Landshark Landing.  
 8: Saints vs. Atlanta, Noon.  
 8: Krewe of Bananimals Shrimp Boil and Membership Drive. Sabine Sandbar. 3.  
 10: Bands on the Beach. Gulfside Pavilion, 7-9. Free. Crosstown, [www.visitpensacolabeach.com](http://www.visitpensacolabeach.com)  
 11: Santa Rosa Island Authority Meeting, 5 pm. #1 Via de Luna, Open to the Public. [www.sria-fla.com](http://www.sria-fla.com)  
 13: Shakerfest. Sandshaker Lounge. [www.sandshaker.com](http://www.sandshaker.com) Sept 13-15  
 14: Taste of the Beach. Casino Beach. Also 9/15. [tasteofpensacolabeach.com](http://tasteofpensacolabeach.com)  
 14: Life's A Beach Corvette Show. Casino Beach.  
 17: Bands on the Beach. Gulfside Pavilion, 7-9. Free. The Astronauts. [www.visitpensacolabeach.com](http://www.visitpensacolabeach.com)  
 21: Coastal Clean Up, 8 a.m. Langdon Beach, Ft. Pickens  
 21: King of the Beach Weightlifting. Bamboo Willies.  
 21: Paddle for a Cure. Fitness on Board.  
 21: Cornhole Qualifying Rounds. 1 p.m. Bamboo Willie's.  
 24: Bands on the Beach. Gulfside Pavilion, 7-9. Free. Kyle Parker Band. [www.visitpensacolabeach.com](http://www.visitpensacolabeach.com)  
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 28: Bras Across the Bridge.  
 28: Brawl on the Beach. Crossfit Contest. Casino Beach. End 9/29.  
 OCTOBER  
 1: Pensacola Beach Songwriters Festival begins. Thru Oct. 6  
 1: Bands on the Beach. Casino, 7-9 pm. Southern Soul. [www.visitpensacolabeach.com](http://www.visitpensacolabeach.com)  
 5: Santa Rosa Island Triathlon. [www.sritri.com](http://www.sritri.com)  
 8: Bands on the Beach. Casino, 7-9 pm. Westside Players, [www.visitpensacolabeach.com](http://www.visitpensacolabeach.com)  
 9: Santa Rosa Island Authority Meeting, 5 pm. #1 Via de Luna, Open to the Public. [www.sria-fla.com](http://www.sria-fla.com)  
 11: Free Star Gaze. Gulfside Pavilion. Dusk  
 12: Free Star Gaze. Gulfside Pavilion. Dusk.  
 13: Art and Wine Festival, 11-4 p.m. Boardwalk. [www.pensacolabeachchamber.com](http://www.pensacolabeachchamber.com)  
 15: Bands on the Beach. Casino, 7-9 pm. Holly Shelton. [www.visitpensacolabeach.com](http://www.visitpensacolabeach.com)  
 19: Celebration 4444 Education Texas Hold 'Em Tourney. The Dock. Proceeds to Beach School Music Department. 1 PM  
 22: Bands on the Beach. Casino, 7-9 pm. Loaded Goat.  
 23: Santa Rosa Island Authority Meeting, 5 pm. #1 Via de Luna, Open to the Public. [www.sria-fla.com](http://www.sria-fla.com)  
 28: Krewe of Wrecks 6 p.m. Sabine

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# Seeing Stars...

*your horoscope for next week*

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) With your Arian charm quotient at an almost all-time high this week, plus all the facts to back you up, you just might win over the last doubters to your proposal.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You might be in line for that job change you applied for. But be advised that you could be called on to defend your qualifications against supporters of other applicants.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Creating a new approach to an old idea is one way to get beyond that workplace impasse. No such problems in your personal life, where things continue to flow smoothly.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Be more forthcoming about your feelings concerning a proposed change either in your workplace or in your personal life. Your opinions are valuable. Don't keep them hidden.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) A changing situation in your life needs more patience than you appear to be willing to offer. Allowing it to develop at its own pace is the wisest course you can take at this time.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) With more stability in your life -- on both personal and professional levels -- this could be a good time to strengthen relationships with both friends and colleagues.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) People have always relied on your integrity not only to get the job done, but to get it done right. So don't be pressured by anyone into cutting corners to save time.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) While others might get rattled over unexpected changes, your ability to adapt calmly and competently helps you make a positive impression during a crucial period.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) A changing environment might be daunting for some, but the adventurous Sagittarian takes it all in stride. A friend from the past could awaken some meaningful memories.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) With your self-assurance rising to full strength, the bold Goat should feel confident about opening up to new ventures as well as new relationships.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20



to February 18) Reaching out to someone who has been unkind to you might not be easy. But in the long run it will prove to have been the right thing to do. A friend offers moral support.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Your keen insight once again helps you work through a seemingly insoluble problem in your workplace. The weekend offers a good chance to develop new relationships.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a knack for finding details that others would overlook. You would make a fine research scientist.

## Jazz Room Opens At Public Library

Louis Armstrong famously said, "Hot can be cool, and cool can be hot, and each can be both. But hot or cool, man, jazz is jazz." Whether it's hot or cool, jazz is alive and well in Escambia County, and it has a new showcase at the West Florida Public Library. The Library, in partnership with the Jazz Society of Pensacola and the Friends of the West Florida Public Library, will host a reception on September 11, to celebrate the grand opening of the Jazz Room at the new Main Library at 239 North Spring Street. The reception will begin at 3 p.m.

For more information about the West Florida Public Library and the resources and programs it offers, go to MyWFPL.com.

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**Sunday:**

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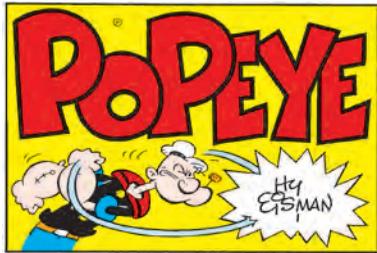
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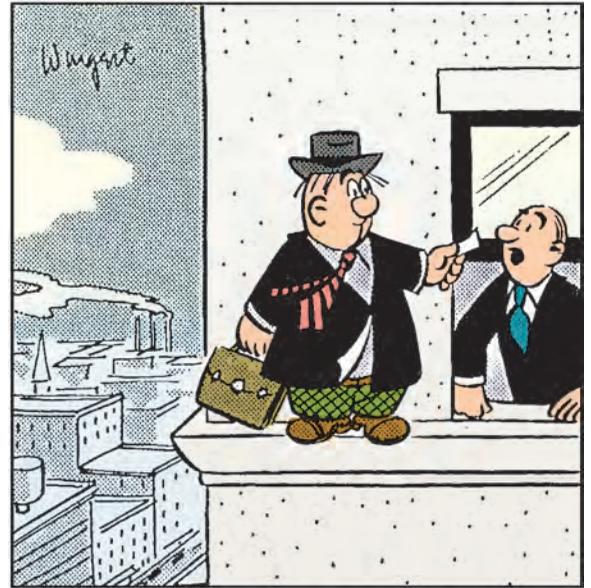
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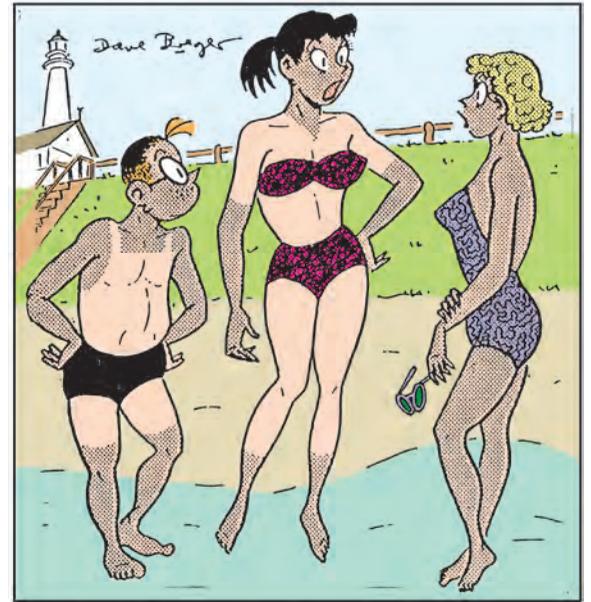


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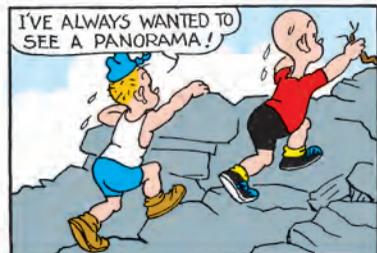
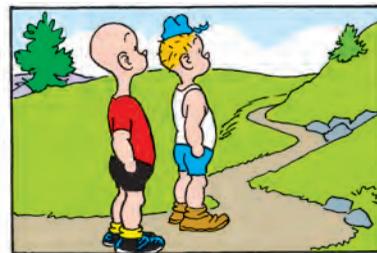
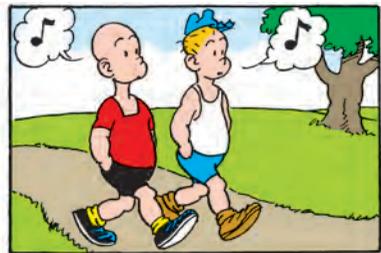
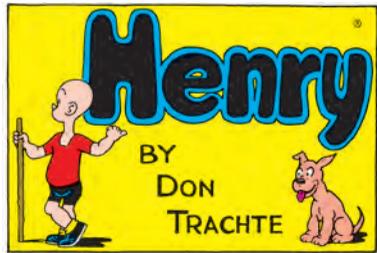


"Honest, he's not in today, but we like your spirit."

**MISTER BREGER By Dave Breger**



"And were they ever strict about the bathing suits at our FIRST summer resort!"



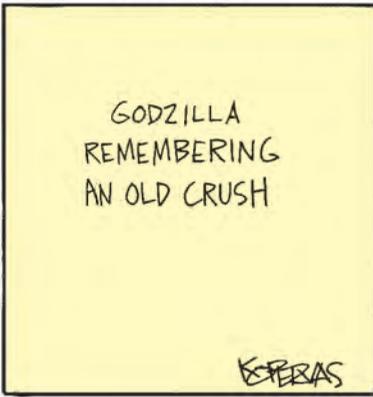
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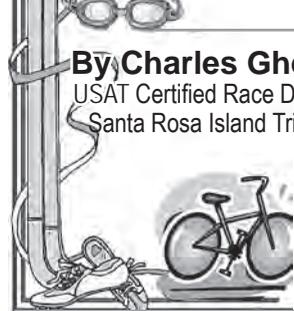
**Out on a Limb**



**by Gary Kopervas**



# Never Hurts To Tri



**By Charles Gheen**  
USAT Certified Race Director  
Santa Rosa Island Triathlon

## Whatever You Do, Keep Training!

It was totally black in my Miramar Beach hotel room as I bolted up into semi-consciousness. I clicked the light on my wristwatch and it read "4:37 a.m." – my alarm would not go off for eight more minutes. I had finally gotten to sleep at about 11:30 the night before, so I had maybe five hours of rest. That was par for the course for my preparation for the 2013 Sandestin Triathlon.

The race would start in less than two hours and I was seriously under-trained. I had been running 3-4 times a week all summer, but I had perhaps three serious swimming sessions under my belt and I had been on my bike twice since the first weekend in June. I've written lots of posts on websites and Facebook over the years as well as sent out thousands upon thousands of emails about triathlon. There's one theme in all of them – Keep Training! This would be my fourth triathlon this year and I hadn't really trained properly for any of them despite attending most of the Mere Mortals sessions throughout June, July and August.

I took a deep breath, exhaled slowly, moved my body and feet until I found the floor and rolled out of bed by 4:45 a.m. to start dressing. Fortunately, I had the presence of mind the previous evening to lay out my equipment in the living room. My bib number, running shoes, bike shoes, helmet, bike, tri suit, goggles, swim cap, wallet and keys were arranged just as I had left them in some logical semblance of order. I had already put my bike number

on the top tube, had attached my helmet number and had mixed my bottle of sports drink. At least I was prepared from a gear standpoint.

I took my vitamins as well as another supplement and pushed my bike out the door towards the elevator. I could see the entire interior of the hotel and no one was up and walking around except me. Cramming my bike and gear in the elevator, I took a silent, solitary ride down to the lobby and headed out into the foreboding morning. It was overcast, the wind was blowing briskly and clouds were racing past what little I could see of the moon. I got my bike on the rack on the back of the car, secured it and stashed my equipment in the front seat next to me.

Less than a mile away I stopped at Circle K for coffee. I was behind time-wise and needed to hurry so I just sloshed some in the largest cup, drizzled in whatever additives were handy, paid and drove on. Slugging it down I arrived at the Sandestin Resort and got in a sizeable line of cars carrying others who were arriving "late." Because Transition opened at 5 a.m., most of the field was already there and warming up. I parked and walked my bike and gear a mile to Transition where I got body-marked, racked my bicycle and arranged my equipment.

I walked down to the beach and got there ten minutes before the first wave went off at 6:30 a.m. I was in the seventh wave so I wouldn't start swimming until 24 minutes later. I jogged on the cool sand to get my heart rate up, then went over to the side of the start area and got in the Gulf of Mexico. The surf was a bit rough and full of seaweed, so that visibility was pretty limited in the water. There were also some jellyfish in the water. I took enough strokes to ensure my shoulders were loose, I was

breathing deeply and my goggles didn't leak. It remained overcast and windy and those were the last moments I felt comfortable the entire morning.

I entered the water perhaps 20 minutes later, labored in the water, fought the wind on the bike for 20 miles and trudged through the run. Over 800 people were registered for the event, nearly 700 finished (counting all "team" members) and my time wasn't horrible, but it was clear to me that I hadn't prepared properly and that was pretty humbling. Another day, more calories burned and more lessons learned. Keep training!

**Santa Rosa Island Tri**  
Saturday, October 5  
Casino Beach  
[www.sritri.org](http://www.sritri.org)

## Paddle For A Cure Floats Into Little Sabine Bay

Bring your paddleboard or anything that floats and join in the fun of the 2013 "Paddle for a Cure" on Saturday, Sept. 21, on Little Sabine Bay on Pensacola Beach. A fundraiser created by Fitness Onboard in partnership with Sacred Heart Foundation, this event will raise funds to provide treatment for Sacred Heart patients who are battling pancreatic and colon cancers.

Fitness Onboard, located across the street from Margaritaville Beach Hotel, will provide participants with a paddle course, paddleboard and paddle technique for first-timers from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The fun is just beginning! At noon, the fundraising will continue with a silent auction, which will include dozens of donated items and packages from event sponsors. The \$50 registration donation includes a fish fry with side items and dessert, adult beverages, kids' beverages, an event T-shirt, live music and much more. Fitness Onboard also will donate a stand-up paddleboard for a drawing. Tickets for the drawing will be \$5 per ticket or five for \$20.

Spectators are welcome to enjoy the after-paddle festivities for a \$20 donation (T-shirt not included).

For more information, visit [www.fitnessonboard.com](http://www.fitnessonboard.com) or call 850-912-8089 or e-mail [info@fitnessonboard.com](mailto:info@fitnessonboard.com).

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# Turtle Trax

BY DJ ZEMENICK

When I think back to 2013, I'll remember it as the summer of rain. It became more frequent in late June and by July we could depend on a downpour almost every day. By the fourth week in August we'd had over 56 inches of rain; almost 13 inches above normal to date.

Rain has a big effect on sea turtle nests. It cools the sand and slows incubation time. A hot, dry summer can hatch sea turtle eggs in 50 days or less, considerably quicker than the average 60 days. In comparison, a cool or wet summer like ours can extend the incubation time to 70 or more days.

Extended periods of rain can also affect the sex of hatchlings, resulting in more males since rain cools the temperature of the sand. Cooler temps produce more males, hotter temps produce more females. This is also true inside the nest itself – eggs at the top or in the middle of the clutch of eggs where it is warmer are more likely to hatch as females, while those at the bottom of the nest where it is cooler are more likely to be male (remember: hot chicks; cool dudes).

This year is the first time I've done patrols on Pensacola Beach and it is a different experience than my patrols within

the National Seashore. I have more opportunity to interact with people on the beach and answer questions. I have also learned a lot from them. One of the most surprising discoveries is that many people who vacation on Pensacola Beach have no idea sea turtles nest here. Their faces light up when I tell them about our successful sea turtle monitoring program and that this has been a record year for Pensacola Beach with 20 nests so far. One mother and daughter both cried out in unison, "Where, where?!"

As I pointed to a nest nearby, they were shocked to realize they had walked right past it every day that week, focused instead on gathering shells.

There was another special discovery I made last week. A member of a beach set-up crew at one of our hotels, waved me down to see how our sea turtles were doing. In passing I mentioned how nice it would be if we could create an "Adopt-a-Beach" program to help keep the residential areas of the beach free of trash. This tanned and tousled-hair young man proudly told me, "This is my adopted beach right here. That's why we have higher dunes in this area."

As I looked behind me, toward the area he was pointing, I noticed that the dunes were indeed higher in that area.

"When I get sea oats," he explained with a wave toward the golden stalks, "I replant them along here. I planted all those Morning Glories, too."

It was then I realized that the mound of beautiful flowers the color of amethysts, had been planted by this young man. But it was only in that moment with the broad sweep of his arm that I saw he had established a long chain of them which were in various stages of growth. They cushioned the lower half of the dunes and their long graceful vines reached out to link themselves together. From one season to another he had quietly created and tended a place of beauty on the beach where he has spent his life. It's the paradise he knows well, loves and respects. His work has grown and stabilized the dunes, so his actions have also made a positive environmental impact.

It doesn't always take a large group of people to accomplish big things in life. Each one of us has the ability to start a ripple effect. One person can make a difference. I know one who did.

Nest Update: for Pensacola Beach & Gulf Islands National Seashore as of August 13:

Perdido Key - GINS	13	Pensacola Beach	20
Ft. Pickens - GINS	14	Santa Rosa - GINS	14

**HATCHLING COUNT: 1499**

## Celebrity Makeup Artist Appears at Navarre Salon

Sharon Mattair is committed to beauty education. She is bringing a cosmetic industry professional to her salon, Studio 98, Thursday, September 5 from 4-7 p.m. for a BareMinerals event.

Miami native Melissa Valenzuela, who has been in the cosmetic industry for over 14 years, brings a wealth of knowledge on everything from application techniques to high fashion artistry. She has extensive knowledge working in every aspect of the field from bridal to runway. Melissa has worked alongside many well-known celebrity's makeup artists including Shakira, Alejandro Sanz, Nikki Taylor and Carmen Electra.

Studio 98 is located at 7293 Navarre Pkwy., ten miles east of Walmart.

## Park Service Seeks Help With Coastal Cleanup Project

Gulf Islands National Seashore Superintendent Dan Brown announced today the upcoming annual International Coastal Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, September 21, from 8 a.m. to noon. Coordinated by the Ocean Conservancy, the International Coastal Cleanup is a major worldwide event.

"Our goal isn't just to clean the beaches, it is also to educate people about keeping the beaches clean in the first place," said Superintendent Brown. "Some pieces of debris can outlive the oldest fish in the sea."

The historic fort on the western tip of Santa Rosa Island is among the areas set for clean up. Volunteers who want to assist in Fort Pickens should meet at Langdon Beach which is located on the Gulfside.

Coastal Cleanup locations

in addition to Fort Pickens at the seashore include:

- Santa Rosa Area – Meet at Opal Beach, Gulf side.
- Perdido Key Area - Meet at Johnson Beach picnic area by the bulletin board located .5 miles east of State Road 292.

Entrance fees will be waived for volunteers assisting with the coastal cleanup.

Coastal cleanup volunteers are advised to wear closed-toe shoes, gloves, sunscreen and hats and to bring water to stay hydrated. Families, individuals, businesses, and community groups can choose their favorite location to register, receive trash bags, data cards and information.

For more information contact Ranger Mike Aymond at 850-934-2634, by email at mike\_aymond@nps.gov or visit log on to www.nps.gov/guis.



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# Off the Hook

By Terri McKamey

OMG! The powers that be have finally seen the fish in the water (Snapper that is) and granted a Fall Red Snapper season starting October 1 and lasting approximately 21 days. The limit remains at two-fish per person and a minimum size limit of 15-inches. Some people say September is better for fishing, but I don't think that is true. October is much better because the water is cooler and the fish feed better. So get ready guys, it's just around the corner.

Surf fishing has been contending with plenty. Rain and lots of weeds still in the water, especially off the Gulfside, present a challenge. Lots of Rays in schools and plenty of Stingrays, as well as some huge schools of Ladyfish just off the surf line are here.

I have been hearing plenty out of Perdido Key about Pompano starting to move

again and Flounder picking up, too. I headed over to check it out myself. Love it when you guys call it just right. You can see we caught some nice Pompano.

Hit Pensacola Beach just before sunrise August 26 and after about 15 minutes in the water pulled in a Redfish which measured 17.5 inches. As badly as I wanted to I just couldn't bring myself to keep him and had to head to work anyway.

The Shark Guys are reporting plenty of late night bites. The reports came in that an eight foot Hammerhead was caught down near Portofino but no pictures were available. And, of course, there are Black Tips, Bull sharks and a few Tigers, too. Now I've caught my fair share of sharks (mostly Black Tip) but I don't actively seek them out like Justin Scher and his buddies do.

Lady fish tend to be good Shark bait. In my opinion Sharks do give you a good fight; but at the end of the line I'd prefer a big Bull Red. Just saying.

N o t only do we have Gulf B r e e z e B a i t a n d T a c k l e close by, we now have Hot Spots Bait and Tackle located on the bottom floor of



Pompano caught off Perdido Key

Pensacola Beach Marina. So you no longer have to leave the island to get live shrimp and they are accessible by water.

Fishing just gets better doesn't it? As August ends and September begins the fishing will pretty much stay the same for the first two weeks. Usually bigger Spanish Mackerel show up in September. They are lots of fun on light tackle. Fall is right around the corner and I am always thrilled about the annual fall Redfish run that starts in late October and lasts all winter.

So, the kids are back in school, football season is about to start (for real) and we've had more than our fair share of rain. Anymore excuses? I'm here to tell you the fish don't mind the rain at all. Matter of fact, baits been everywhere and the fish are hitting.

So what are you waiting for? Grab a kid and go fishing!

## Gorder Grabs Poker Title

Ted Gorder topped the Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun charts with a month long string of first place finishes. His performance at the Beach poker tables earned him the Player of the Month title for August.

Look for the complete results in the September 17 edition of *Island Times*.

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### Sept 13-15

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**Kick Off Party**

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Saturday, Sept 14

5-9 pm The Gills

9 pm -1am The Astronauts

Sunday, Sept 15

3 - 8 pm Krewe of Brewe Cookout

4 - 8 pm Lektric Mullet

6 pm Shaker Queen Coronation

9 to Midnite Karaoke Wrap

Up Party with Becky

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