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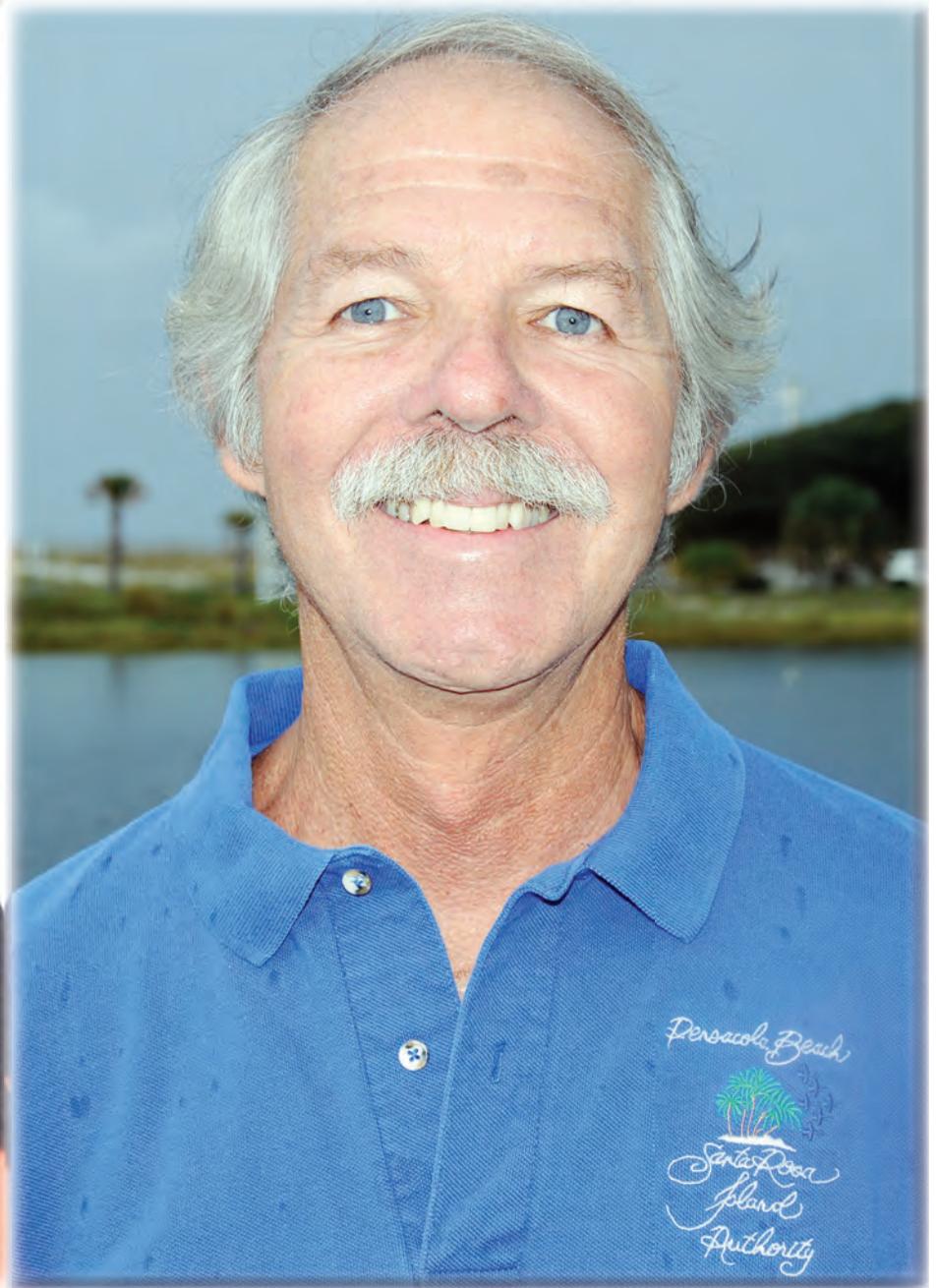
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Meet The Candidates



Currently, the Santa Rosa Island Authority Board is comprised of six members. Each Escambia County Commissioner selects one appointee and the registered voters on Pensacola Beach are charged with electing one member. The 1947 Act establishing the SRIA only allowed for appointees. It was later amended to add the one elected member. McGuire Martin, Jim Morgan, Emily Baird, Doug Foote, TT Lowery and Larry Judge ran in the landmark 1983 election. McGuire won by 83 votes. He served as the elected representative until 1990 and as an appointee until 2005. He was followed by Michael O'Donovan, George Eckes, Andrew Gigi, Scott Amberson and Thomas Campanella. The term lasts for two years. On November 4, voters on Pensacola Beach will once again have the opportunity to choose. The elected seat has not been contested since 2006. The two candidates are Terry Preston (photo left) and Campanella (photo right). Campanella has served for 12 years. Preston is the second woman ever to seek the elected position. Both are longtime beach residents with strong commitments to the island. Want to know more? Turn to page 2 for candidate profiles and questionnaire results.

Preston and Campanella Vie For Santa Rosa Island Authority Seat

Get to know your candidates. *Island Times* sent questionnaires to Terry Preston and Thomas Campanella. Below are the unedited responses:

Name: Teresa (Terry) Preston

Spouse: William (Bill) Preston, Jr.

Children: Audrey Preston, 32; Alexandra Brown, 26

Occupation: Business Owner (Pensacola Parade People, LLC; EHS Made Easy, LLC)

Memberships: Pensacola Beach Advocates, National Safety Council, American Society of Safety Engineers, National Fire Protection Association, Philanthropic Educational Organization Chapter ES, Greater Pensacola Chamber of Commerce, BARK Aussie Rescue, Australian Shepherd Rescue and Placement Hotline, Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Mission, Pensacola Beach Relay for Life, and Krewe of Jesters.

Political Background: I was appointed by the Secretary of Labor for three consecutive terms over 10 years to the Maritime Advisory Committee for Occupational Safety and Health, advising OSHA on matters affecting the safety and health of shipyard workers. This is the first time I have run for elected office.

Please make a brief statement about yourself:

Having been a leaseholder since 1979, and a full time resident since 2007, I am concerned that the SRIA is in a "maintenance mode" rather than providing a vision for what Pensacola Beach will look like in future years. I can provide the vision and leadership that will take us into the new era on Pensacola Beach!

After graduating as one of the first females from the US Merchant Marine Academy, I spent 11 years as a seagoing officer, earning a Master Mariner's license, and sailing as Chief Mate. I spent another 24 years in business, industry and government as a program manager, EHS Director and business owner. I have a Masters in Public Administration with a concentration in Coastal Zone studies.

My husband and I enjoy rescuing Australian Shepherds, celebrating Mardi Gras, volunteering in our civic organizations, and listening to the great music that comes to Pensacola Beach!

1. Why are you running for Santa Rosa Island Authority?

Because I believe that it's time for new ideas on the SRIA board, and I can provide them. My priorities are to ask the County Commission to fund the services that we deserve as taxpayers, to define the governing structure for Pensacola Beach after lease fees disappear, and to protect the coastal environment and way of life that we hold dear.

2. The SRIA has been in existence over 50 years with a member elected by Beach residents added in 1983. Various beach residents have served on the SRIA as appointees of a County Commissioner. Is the role of the elected SRIA board member different from the appointed members? If so, how? If not, why not?

I believe that all SRIA board members must uphold the intent of the enabling legislation which requires them to work in the best interest of the entire county, but the elected member has the additional responsibility of both soliciting and delivering the opinions, wishes and needs of the beach residents and businesses.

3. What are the three top issues that you would like to address as an SRIA board member?

- 1- Encouraging Escambia County to fund services that are provided to other county taxpayers and reduce lease fees accordingly
- 2- Ensuring that the structure for governing Pensacola Beach after leases end is determined BEFORE lease fees end
- 3- Ensuring that our beaches, dunes and wildlife are protected.

4. Do you support fee simple title for leaseholders? If so, why? If not, why not?

Yes, I support an orderly, planned transfer of property to fee simple title at the request of leaseholders. This can be done over a period of time so that those taxpayers who prefer to continue leaseholds will not have to take title to their leasehold. I believe that if people are going to be taxed on their property, they have the right to own it.

5. While public safety and maintenance budgets have grown by leaps and bounds over the past decade, the marketing budget is being cut. Tourism is an economic engine for the SRIA and for Escambia County. What can the SRIA do to improve tourism promotion? What can be done to extend the tourism season? How will marketing be funded in the future?

I attended the beach marketing report by EW Bullock, and noted that in all of the focus group meetings, prospective tourists all want to see pictures of the beach and the beautiful water. The SRIA should work with the Beach Chamber and Visit Pensacola to develop an integrated marketing campaign for Pensacola Beach. I travel a lot and in my opinion, the best way to extend the tourism season is to have more activities that draw visitors. We have not even begun to tap into the eco-tourist market, and there is a market for folks who value history as well. Increasing the number of nature trails, encouraging historic re-enactments, and having more festivals should help extend the season. Funding the marketing for Pensacola Beach should be a county-wide effort, since the county directly benefits from the visitors to Pensacola Beach. Since Pensacola Beach provides a significant portion of the bed taxes funding to Visit Pensacola, I think that Visit Pensacola should be directly funding marketing efforts for Pensacola Beach, rather than leaving it up to the SRIA.

6. What methods will you employ to communicate with your constituents?

I plan to host quarterly breakfast meetings where anyone can join me and talk about anything they want, meet with business leaders through forums such as the Beach Chamber, and hold town hall meetings. I also will answer all emails or phone calls from constituents.

Name: Dr. Thomas Campanella

Spouse: Debbie Campanella

Children: Lauren: 31 Gregory: 30

Occupation: Dentist

Memberships: Pensacola Beach Elks Club, Pensacola Beach Optimist Club, Krewe of Wrecks, Krewe of Lafitte, Beach Community Church board member, PBA member, PBES PTA, ESCAROSA Dental Association

Political Background: SRIA elected board member

1. Why are you running for Santa Rosa Island Authority?

I am running to retain my SRIA board member seat. Also, to use my knowledge and experience to help steer the SRIA through the transition that is likely to occur in the event of Fee Simple Title Ownership. More control of Pensacola Beach will transfer to the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners. And finally to complete the job given to me by the voters on Pensacola Beach more than once. And also to continue to represent and balance all the people of Pensacola Beach; residents, leaseholders, businesses, and our visitors - locals and tourists. We live on a public playground. I've worked hard to preserve and protect our unique island community. So help me to CONTINUE to help you and vote to retain Thomas Campanella!!!

2. The SRIA has been in existence over 50 years with a member elected by Beach residents added in 1983. Various beach residents have served on the SRIA as appointees of a County Commissioner. Is the role of the elected SRIA board member different from the appointed members? If so, how? If not, why not?

Both the elected and appointed board members serve the same role. The board members make decisions for the SRIA staff when they feel the issue being discussed is beyond their authority. The staff uses a policy-manual in making decisions. When an issue is unclear based on the policy-manual, the staff turns to the SRIA board members for discussion and decision. The elected board member, being a beach resident, has more in depth island perspective. As the elected board member, I pass along my island knowledge to my fellow board members to allow them to make more informed decisions. As board members we do not micromanage the SRIA and, in turn, the SRIA cannot make laws, nor can they borrow money or enforce regulations. The SRIA is essential in maintaining the quality of beach life we have today.

3. What are the three top issues that you would like to address as an SRIA board member?

I, Thomas Campanella, have no special interests or new issues to address. All issues have already been made known to my fellow board members and staff. Issues have been classified, ranked by priority, and are either: listed for project, completed, or awaiting funding. The following is a partial list of SRIA accomplishments during my terms: Two Beach Renourishments, Lifeguard Program, Lifeguard Truck Program, Lifeguard Towers, Lifeguard Flag Warning System, Mardi Gras Funding, Blue Angels, Public Safety Director, Public Safety Building, Speedier Beach Re-Entry Post Hurricanes, Hurricane Ivan Recovery, Water Quality Improvements, Annual Pass Toll Lane, Alcohol-Free Beach Zone, Parking Improvements, Trolley Service, Sheltered Trolley Stops, Noise Reductions, Lowered Flood Insurance Ratings, Dune Walkovers, Dog Beach Areas, Sound-side Beach Renourishment, Landscape Improvements, Fire Station, Park West Improvements, Songwriters Festival, Bands on the Beach, Improved Lighting for Parking Lots and Crosswalks, Pedestrian Crosswalks, Snorkeling Reefs

All are not my initiatives, but as board members we participate as a team. There is no I in team; we are all Team Pensacola Beach.

4. Do you support fee simple title for leaseholders? If so, why? If not, why not?

I support Fee Simple Title. If you're going to pay taxes on your improvement and land, you certainly want to own it. There may be hidden pitfalls, but we will find out together.

5. While public safety and maintenance budgets have grown by leaps and bounds over the past decade, the marketing budget is being cut. Tourism is an economic engine for the SRIA and for Escambia County. What can the SRIA do to improve tourism promotion? What can be done to extend the tourism season? How will marketing be funded in the future?

The marketing budget was reduced to facilitate money for beach renourishment. The SRIA's advertising agency concurs and feels strongly that without a beach we have nothing to market. Visit Pensacola, an entity established to market the entire Pensacola area, has supplemented the reduced budget by featuring Pensacola Beach in their advertising. When a focus group was asked: "What attracts you?" The response was: "Show us the beach." So in most of the Visit Pensacola marketing campaigns seen throughout the country, the beach will be the featured to hook 'em and other local attractions to reel 'em in. If the SRIA and beach businesses have another great summer in 2015 we hope to increase revenues toward marketing. The SRIA can improve tourism promotion by continuing to use our website, social media, and partnering with Visit Pensacola in our promotions. By the way, for 2014 revenues are up 4% over 2013. The cumulative increase over the last four years is close to 15%.

As far as extending the tourism season, we need to look to events and promotions that will attract our Northern neighbors. The cooler weather and chilled waters don't exactly attract southerners, but they seem tailored to many visitors from the north. The Chamber of Commerce is currently helping the SRIA with this effort.

Changes are coming to our beach. With the disappearance of lease fees, which now pays for marketing, that burden could possibly shift to Visit Pensacola and the local businesses to fund marketing in the future.

6. What methods will you employ to communicate with your constituents?

Communication about the SRIA meetings, events, and happenings is published in the Island Times Newspaper. Shelley Johnson does an outstanding job reporting and recording the meeting proceedings. The SRIA also has a webpage. If further clarification or discussion is wanted by a constituent, please call or email me. My SRIA email address and phone numbers are available. I am also available to meet with anyone of you for a more personal face-to-face.



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 1, 1983

If you are hanging out reading "Barefoot," and you haven't been to the Beach Church yet to cast your vote, run on now, and do your thing. For this, at last, is the moment of truth. Islanders have long lamented their sad

plight...that they may well have been the last outpost of civilization which had taxation without representation. This year, beach sandals got a bare toe in the door of government. The Pensacola Beach Business Association made a strong plea to the Northwest Florida Legislative Delegation, requesting the necessary amendment to the Santa Rosa Island Authority Charter to allow the election of a beach resident to the SRIA board. It happened. It actually did happen. Today, November 1, 1983, is a history making moment for the Beach. Amazingly, six contenders

are battling for the single seat on the Island Authority. Their views are different, but their desires are sincere. Each, in his or her own way, vows to protect this Shangri La from the crunching jaws of overdevelopment and commercialism. Any of these candidates would fight ceaselessly toward that end. It is the one theme which runs through all six platforms.

Beyond that, their views and stands on various beach problems and policies, do differ. Many of these candidates have studied the needs of the beach and have come up with truly valuable ideas to improve the island lifestyle. Above the fact that beach residents will have their voting member, they can glean from the platforms of these six individuals outstanding information, which can only lead to a more open, available, interested SRIA Board – a Board which will listen to the residents with some degree of passion.

It is possible that some of our tax dollars will find their way back to the Island... and we will no longer be brushed off as one percent of the voting population, and therefore not entitled to any tax monies. Perhaps, the SRIA budget will undergo changes, so local income will be used for local projects.

The possibilities are endless. This is the year of the Island man and woman. We can make our paradise an even greater place to live. Our district is Four. Our precinct is 94. Our polling place is the Pensacola Beach Church. The polls are open until 7 tonight.

Advocates Elect New Board Preston Retires To Run For SRIA Seat

Pensacola Beach Advocates voted unanimously to add Beach resident Jack Cerone to their Board during the October 20 Annual Meeting at the Beach Church. Due to expiring terms, two board positions were available. Ben Stevenson was re-elected to his Board seat. PBA President Terry Preston did not run because of her SRIA candidacy. Rounding out the Board are: Dan Smith, Elizabeth Hewson and JJ Waters. Glenn Windham is the Treasurer. Maria Weisnicht chairs the Membership-Communications Committee. Jim Cox is the Governmental Affairs Committee chairman.

Preston outlined the PBA's 2014 accomplishments:

- Worked with County officials and Congressman Jeff Miller to draft "Fee Simple Title" legislation to be ready if leaseholders lost

tax litigation.

- Worked with Escambia County and beach businesses to pass a new Noise Ordinance that restricts noise levels in residential neighborhoods.

- Helped draft a Sea Turtle Lighting Ordinance that was passed by Escambia County.

- Hosted Earth Day Island Style event with sea turtle education, recycling, free document shredding and a community yard sale.

- Worked with the Tourism Board to set up an independent Visit Pensacola board to better market our area using the millions of dollars each year from the Bed Tax.

- Collaborated with Pensacola Beach Chamber to propose beach projects to Escambia County RESTORE Committee for spending BP Oil Spill dollars coming to Escambia County.

- Surveyed stakeholders for input on Fee Simple and future SRIA

- Worked with the local community to stop Party Down South reality show from filming on Pensacola Beach this Spring.

Jim Cox in his Governmental Affairs Committee report gave updates on the potential of fee simple, taxation and leases.

"The attitude in town is that the Beach is self-sustaining," said Cox. "That's all going to change."

Preston reminded members of the Local Option Sales Tax public forum will be October 28, 6 p.m. at the Beach Church.

Florida Sea Grant Agent Rick O'Connor gave a brief presentation about island wildlife and his organization's mission.

The Advocates are online at pbadvocates.org.



Start Time: 6 PM
Dues \$35

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The Krewe welcomes all who wish to join. Please come to meeting to apply.

Oct 27	The Sandbar	Dec 22	Hemingways
Nov 3	Sandshaker	Dec 29	The Break
Nov 10	Crab's on the Beach	Jan 5	Cactus Flower
Nov 17	Islander Lounge	Jan 12	Flounder's
Nov 24	Paddy O'Leary's	Jan 19	Shaggy's
Dec 1	Riptides	Jan 26	Sidelines
Dec 8	PegLeg Pete's	Feb 2	Elk's Lodge
Dec 15	Paradise Bar		

Mardi Gras on the Island Events

- February 7 Kids and Kritters Parade, 2 PM Across from Sidelines
- February 7 Krewe of Wrecks Grand Costume Ball, Elk's
- February 9 Queen's Dinner, Flounder's
- February 9 King's Supper, Elk's
- February 14 Champagne Breakfast, Crab's
- February 15 Krewe of Wrecks Parade, 2 PM
- February 16 Red Beans and Rice Lunch, 11 AM
- February 17 Krewe of Coma, Sandshaker, 6 PM

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Trivia ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ?

Beach bums were consulted. Answers were sent. Lifesavers and ladies rang in. The name of the bar that was located where the Gulfside Pavilion now stands was The Outrigger and its owner was Edward "Bobo" Jones. Sir Morrie Drees, the first Knight of the Trivia Roundtable posed the question. A few recalled the sand on the floor and the public servant who owned the beach front location.

Offshore Chuck Brower served as a Trivia Consultant aka "Ask A Beach Bum" as did The Oracle. Lady Kim of the House of Cole sought information from the all-knowing source. She commented, "I knew it was the Outrigger, but I had to find out who owned it. This was a team effort this time. Hope we are correct."

Yes M'Lady. You and your team have scored!

Everybody's favorite beach lifeguard Dave Greenwood said this was an easy one. The Outrigger was next door to the former small space that the Public Safety staff occupied. He knew both answers.

Big Bob Dority sent the correct answer, too, although someone said he used a lifeline and had to "phone a bum."

Joanne Brooks, who holds the record as the Queen of Wrong

Answers, has nailed this one. She doesn't want this to be a reflection on her years of bumming around the Beach.

"Please tell Morrie I am old enough that I can remember that The Outrigger was owned by Edward "Bobo" Jones," said Queen Jo.

Felicia Fisher sent the correct bar name but could only muster "Bo" as the owner's name. She was short a "Bo" and the hard to recall last name of "Jones." Better luck next time, Fe.

Cool guy Steve Headley hurried to send his answer which was late, but the most entertaining of the incorrect ones. "I believe that it was Chan's Gulfside Grille, and the owner was Chan Cox."

Chan's was where Crab's now is located, and the TM does not believe Chan served on the SRIA.

Think about the two entertaining people in the photo below. Can you identify them? It will take quick fingers to win this one. First and last names of both are required with your name and phone number. Send your answer to islandtimes@bellsouth.net with Trivia in the subject line. The winner's going to get a new *Island Times* shirt! Deadline to answer is Voting Day, November 4. Good luck!



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Oct 26-31: Be on the lookout for "The Great Pumpkin." It could show up anytime, along with "The Bones of Fred McFee." Classic Stephen King novels will haunt the shelf, too.

Nov 1-4: Word on the street is "it's time to go to the polls and vote!" On your way to and from, stop by and check out "Dear Mr. President," "White House Ladies," "24 Hours Inside The President's Bunker," or "George Washington's Rule of Civility and Decent Behaviour."

Nov 5-11: In honor of all Veterans who solemnly swore to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic, the JWLFL will offer "The History of the American Flag," "The Constitution of the United States," "War Is A Force That Gives Us Meaning," and "Conflict and Crisis."

PEOPLE

LUNCH BUNCH BOO

Mollie Thibodeaux keeps the Lunch Bunch ladies lunching. They met at Casino Beach Bar and Grill last week to do what they do best – eat and help others. Mollie announced that the Lunch Bunch was providing Halloween treats for a whole bunch of local kids. Since they had so many to deliver, the Krewe of Bananimals' Chicks are hopping over to help. The Chicks are teenage girls who have formed their own krewe, but hold tight to the Bananimals traditions of supporting the community.

BATTLING BRITTANY

After performing a few gigs at the recent Pensacola Beach Songwriters Festival, Gulf Breeze High School student Brittany Cole tuned up her guitar for a musical showdown. She played acoustic guitar with some of her original songs during the Sixth Annual Gulf Breeze High Battle of the Bands, October 15. Her competitors included Reece Adams, Nick Lloyd, Noah Desimone, Ryan Post and David Bryan.

BIG BIRTHDAY

Susie Hastings wanted to be sure that everyone on the Beach

got word that Denise Keever reached a significant milestone September 25. After all, what are friends for? Denise, who rides her bike to work at Flounder's with her long blonde hair flowing in the wind, lives on the Beach with husband Larry. Denise has not yet announced how many candles were on Susie's cake last month, but that may be in the next issue. Stay tuned.

GOOFY GUINNESS

The Number One Nauga Queen Danah Gibson contacted the Guinness Book of World Records to document and record the World's Largest Mardi Gras Pajama Party that the krewe hosts each year. In a courteous and direct manner, the World Record people said it was not a category they were interested in, however, the Naugas could compete in "The largest sleep over/pyjama party" category. In case you want to know, the record was "set by 1,626 participants in an event organized by Girlguiding UK in Kent, UK, on 8 March 2008." Queen Danah has not yet announced if the Naugas will attempt to set a World Record. She said she needs to sleep on it.

SYMPATHIES

Friends and family bid a sad farewell to Clare Zelius, who passed away October 10. She lived on the beach for many years where she was well known for her sense of humor and sweet smile. Clare was always ready to lend a hand. She served the community in many ways including aboard the Krewe of Wrecks Board. She and her husband Dick, who preceded her in death, served in the krewe's royal court.

She is also preceded in death by her father, John David Carter and mother, Constance Edwina Daniels Carter; sisters, Joy Perry and Cathy Emma; brother, Michael Carter.

She is survived by her mom, Gloria Carter; sisters, Juliana Sozansky, Delores Wernet and Mitzi Baisden; her children, Leigh Shearman Weaver, David Shearman, Charlie Shearman and their spouses, Michael Weaver, Terese Overlade and Carolyn Shearman; grandchildren, Cameron Shearman, Sarah Shearman and Kayla Shearman.

Clare was laid to rest at Holy Cross Cemetery. She was 69 years-old.

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Beach Haunts Host Halloween Happenings

From mild to wild, costumers can score candy and cash this week on Pensacola Beach. Contests and concerts along with a poltergeist pirate await you. Check it out:

Tuesday, October 28

PegLeg Pete's – At dark you can hear the sound of his peg as he walks along the dock looking for his long lost crew. He will find them in the Peg Leg's Haunted House. Dark to 10 p.m. No charge to enter.

Gulfside Pavilion - The ghost of Sgt. Pepper may ride in on a Yellow Submarine. Free Concert performed by Not Quite Fab. Bands on the Beach, 7 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday, October 29

The Grand Marlin Haunted Happy Hour from 3 to 6 p.m. Cheers to \$2.50 beers. Bring your ghoulfriends. And reappear on Thursday. Same time.

Thursday, October 30

Beach School Fall Festival - Everyone's invited. Thursday, October 30. Midway is open from 5 to 8 p.m. at the School. Food, games, prizes. Silent Auction.

Sidelines - War Paint and wings! 6:30 p.m. Florida State Seminoles at Louisville

Travel Lodge Pelican Lounge

- Buy one get one. Drink up!

Friday, October 31

Shaggy's - Come for some candy! Mini Monsters and Petite Princesses get to trick-or-treat here. Free dessert with meal for kids in costume. Happy Hour prices from 3 to close for the rest of you.

Crab's - Get trapped for \$6. Inquire within.

Sandshaker Halloween Bash - Trunk Monkey on stage at 9 p.m. with a costume contest at midnight. Is the \$500 cash prize gonna be yours?

Ghouls in Paradise - The Sun Dogs will get the party started about dark. Costume contest with great prizes starts at 10:30 p.m.

Flounders - Elektrik Fantasy, 9 to 3 a.m. Tantalize your mind, body and soul with these renown Producers on 50K watts of perfectly equalized sound that will move your body all night long Tickets start at \$10. Big Cash costume contest.

Surf Burger - Get fired up. \$3 Fireball shots. Can you feel the heat?

Castaways - Is it scary when you sing? Halloween Karaoke, at 8 p.m. followed by a special DJ party at 9 p.m. Boo!

Bamboo Willie's - Halo-Scream Bash. Two bands, Three Prizes for Best Costumes. Dress

to Scare. Contest at 11:30 p.m. Paddy O'Leary's - Huge Halloween Bash, 9 p.m. Hourly

drink specials, crazy amount of categories for costume contest. Music by Last Straw.

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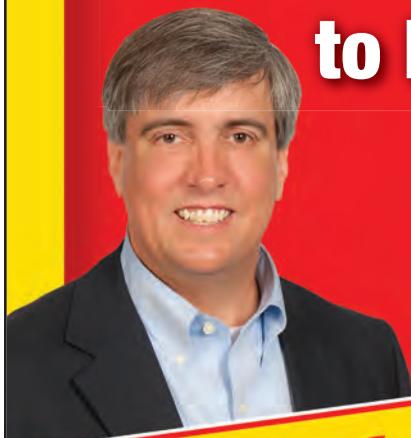
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peas, porridge and a dry martini

by
Kathi
Lewis



"These times, they are a changing." And the only consistency in life is change. It's inevitable but that doesn't mean I have to like it. I wouldn't be so opposed to change if I could make the changes. Of course if everyone operated on my daily "system" it would cause complete chaos, so never mind. I'll spare y'all that!

Other changes I have witnessed over the years are the magnitude of difference in the celebration of Halloween. Centuries ago when I was a young child, my siblings and I looked forward to Halloween all year. But back then we didn't have candy every day. Instead our treats were fresh fruits, raw vegetables from the garden, boiled peanuts and the delicious sweets my Mother cooked (cakes, pies, fruit turnovers, and even biscuits 'cause with butter and sugar that's some good eating). As much as we complained then, I would do almost anything to have my Mama back to make those unbelievable tastes of home just once. We didn't know that those recipes were mostly made from memory or how precious they would become.

Sometimes we'd have a nickel or dime from picking up Coke bottles along the roadside and Mama or Daddy would take us to the store to sell them. Then we'd get to buy a bag of penny candy. That could take a long time. For one thing it really cost a penny and you would waver between candy that would be gone quickly or candy that lasted longer (such as between a chocolate candy bar or a Sugar Daddy sucker). Whatever you chose

you would still end up with a small bag full of candy and I can still recall that feeling of pure joy.

But Halloween meant a large bag of candy all at one time. We would agonize over costumes which had to mainly be made of whatever was available at home. Mama would be almost as excited as we were and even more creative. We used our imaginations.

We lived in the country but our neighborhood grew fairly quickly and some years we would Trick or Treat around the block. Lots of families had home-made treats such as popcorn balls, cookies and once we even got cornbread. That was from a neighbor Mrs. Apperson who forgot it was Halloween, but she had some fresh cornbread.

Imagination plays a large part in politics, too. The first thing a politician learns is what their constituents want to hear. The second thing is telling you exactly that, while making you believe.

The only time I remember my Mama being actively involved in politics was in defense of everyone's "Right to Choose." I don't remember the details because I was too young. What I do remember is that she and her friend Miss Nadine commandeered all the kids, drove us to more than one grocery store parking lot where we distributed flyers, talked to people (well I didn't) and offered red, white and blue ribbon banners to fly from car antennas. It was a part of my Mama I had never seen and it was amazing and impressive. Her passion in her actions and belief cemented it all

in my mind and to this day (and beyond) I believe in and respect every person's right to make their own choices, regardless the circumstances. However, if you make bad choices, you also need to be responsible for them, own them and learn from them.

I've been a registered voter since the day I was old enough to sign up. I'm also a firm believer that if you don't vote, then you do not have the right to complain! So, good luck and happy voting as you head for the polls. Here's hoping you'll be satisfied with your choice.

Maybe you'll have something good waiting for you in the kitchen when you get home; such as this week's recipe. If you think pumpkins were only for making Jack-O-Lanterns, you're wrong. So, let's cook.....

Soup in a Pumpkin

3 to 4 lb. Cheese Pumpkin (also called Cinderella pumpkins)

1 Tbsp. Rosemary (or 2 sprigs fresh)

1 ½ Tbsp. Thyme (3 sprigs fresh)

½ Cup chopped green onions

3 Cups chicken stock (or broth)

1 Tbsp. ground Black Pepper

½ Cup Parmesan cheese, grated (plus more for topping soup, if desired)

Cut stem from pumpkin and remove. Scoop out seeds and discard. Put all ingredients in the order listed in the scooped-out pumpkin and replace stem. Place pumpkin on a parchment paper lined baking pan. Bake at 400 degrees until exterior of

pumpkin is golden brown and shiny and inside is tender; approximately 45 minutes to one hour. (If pumpkin browns too quickly, reduce temperature to 375 degrees). To serve, remove stem and scoop tender pumpkin into bowls, then ladle broth on top. Add more Parmesan cheese or black pepper, if desired.

Enjoy, share and please Vote on November 4!

See ya in the kitchen.....

Shugah Shows Strength

Be advised that the Woolly Boogers think Queen Shugah Melanie Waite befuddled the seasonal hurricane forecasters in NOAA's Climate Prediction Center. They blamed lack of storms on a weak African monsoon.

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A Cross in the Sand

By
Rev. Dr. Chuck Randle, Pastor Emeritus
Pensacola Beach Community Church



Near the end of this month we will be entertained again by our children who don their Halloween costumes and go from door to door to gather all those candy treats offered by the householders. Not all give candy, however, that is the most desired offering. Halloween is not appreciated by all people, but it provides a diversion for our children in this time between the beginning of school and the

Thanksgiving days off. There is not complete agreement on the beginnings of Halloween – some say it is a Celtic observance, while others claim it has a Christian background associated with All Hallows Eve. Whatever its origin, a now tradition is beginning to emerge called “Ghosting” or “the Phantom,” but more often it is called “Halloween Boo-ing.” It’s generally a neighborhood event in which

one neighbor anonymously takes a small gift to a neighbor, leaves it on the doorstep, along with a sign that says “You’ve been boo-ed!” An instruction note is left inviting the neighbor to put together two small gifts and to do the same to their neighbors, leaving the instruction sheet along with a “You have been boo-ed” sign, and soon the whole neighborhood will have been boo-ed. It can build a sense of fun in our local communities and, after all, why let our children have all the fun when we can release the child within us and enjoy it as well.

To download a copy of one of the signs, just Google “Halloween Boo” and let the fun begin! Leaving the signs on our lawns will let us know all who have been boo-ed.

Seashore Offers Live History, Candlelight Fort Pickens Tours

Gulf Islands National Seashore will present a Living History Camp, November 15 - 16 and Candlelight Tour of Fort Pickens, November 15. During daytime hours, the event features a living history encampment by Company C, 3rd U.S. Infantry (1860-1865). A ranger led tour of Fort Pickens will be at 2 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday.

flashlights are allowed. Dress appropriately for the evening weather and wear comfortable walking shoes.

For a complete program schedule or more information, call 850-934-2600, online at www.nps.gov/guis.

The fort will remain open from 7 to 9:00 p.m. Saturday, November 15 for self-guided candlelight tours. The event provides a rare opportunity to experience the fort at night. Costumed reenactors will be stationed around the fort answering visitor questions and providing information about Pensacola during the Civil War. Visitors should arrive no later than 8:30 p.m. Although the fort will be lighted with candles,

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The Lizzard's Tongue...

BY ELIZABETH K. HEWSON

It's been 18 months since we rescued our forever family member, an English Pointer we named Pete. When he arrived on Pensacola Beach in May 2013, he just wasn't the dog he was meant to be. To put it quite simply, his time spent roaming the woods of north Santa Rosa County and his extended stay in the animal shelter, had not done him any favors. Though his overall health was decent, his dawg spirit was non-existent.

He didn't bark. He didn't shed. He didn't want anything to do with his new family. He was a no trick, no treat kind of dog.

But my oh my, how the fur sheds when you are having fun. How the cats and critters scoot when the baritone ruff echoes among the palm trees and sea oats. How it's so easy to share a slice of bacon while making breakfast when the kitchen is filled with unconditional love. Pete has finally become the dog he was meant to be. Full of tricks and totally appreciative of treats.

Unfortunately there are a lot of other cats and dogs in

our local shelters that through no fault of their own have been dealt a life filled with tricks. If you are able, take the time to drop off some treats to either the Santa Rosa County or Escambia County Animal Shelters, located at 4451 Pine Forest Road, Milton, and 200 West Fairfield,

Pensacola, respectively. Treats come in many forms: monetary donations, food, leashes and collars, toys, pet sweaters, towels, blankets, and household products such as paper towels and bleach.

Or best of all, treat yourself and adopt possibly a black cat or

a dog that howls at the moon. Who knows, you might even get lucky and bring home a furever friend that after lots of love and patience, will let you trick him into wearing a humiliating Halloween costume even without the promise of a treat.

Until next time...



Pete may live the life of a retired pirate on Pensacola Beach, but secretly he dreams of being a full-time Texas rodeo dog. Well maybe not exactly. Extra belly scratches and a piece of beef jerky followed this photo shoot.

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September birthday celebrants Mary Lee, left, and Sally LaPierre were serenaded by the Pensacola Beach Woman's Clubbers at their September 18 "Viva PBWC" meeting at the Beach Church. September signals the kick off of the Woman's Club's year. The Club wished a happy birthday to absent birthday girls Sherry Hobbs, Dot Kress, Pat Lutz, Ginger Pasek, Linda Sharp Brown, Shelby Smith and Betty Sprague. The Club meets Thursday, November 20 at the Beach Church Fellowship Hall. Membership inquiries can be directed to kimharvellsemail@gmail.com.

 A real estate advertisement featuring a Polaroid-style photo of a South Harbour 2BR/2BA condo. The text describes the property as being in the core area of the beach with panoramic views, a pool, exercise room, and controlled access. The price is \$299,500 and the MLS number is 470834. The ad is for Paradise Coastal Realty, Inc., with the slogan "Exceeding Clients' Expectations". A list of agents and the company's contact information are provided at the bottom.

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 A large, vibrant advertisement for a party venue. The background is filled with colorful streamers and confetti. The text is bold and stylized. It says "NOW BOOKING ALL DATES" on the left. The main headline is "Let's Party ANY PARTY OCCASION BUDGET". At the bottom, it says "the DOCK BAR AND GRILL CASTAWAYS ENTERTAINMENT COMPLEX Pensacola Beach • Florida". Two phone numbers are listed: 850-934-3625 and 850-934-6117. On the right side, it says "HAVE IT AT THE BEACH!".

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Seeing Stars.....this week's horoscopes

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Lots of choices could make it difficult to select what is best for your needs. Avoid snap judgments. Take the time to check them all out to find the one that really meets your goals.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You could once again experience pressure from others who would like to see you move in another direction. But heed your Bovine instincts to stay on your own path.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Taking charge of a project that seems to be about to stall or collapse altogether could be a challenge. But once everyone knows what you expect of him or her, things should go smoothly.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Avoid the pressures of the upcoming holiday period by setting a time right now to discuss how to divide up the responsibility of helping a loved one come through a difficult period.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's not too early for all you Leonas and Leos to start making long-distance travel plans. The sooner you stop procrastinating

and start deciding where, when and how you're going, the better.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Someone you've known for years might disappoint you, or even make you feel you've been betrayed. But check the facts carefully before you make charges that could backfire on you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A holiday plan might need to be revised to accommodate an unexpected complication. Come up with an alternative

County Hosts Local Option Sales Tax Meeting

In an effort to inform citizens about the Local Option Sales Tax proposal that will appear on the November 4 ballot, Escambia County will host a public meeting Tuesday, October 28 at the Beach Community Church from 6 to 8 p.m.

Long-time County residents may recall that Local Option Sales Tax was first approved by Escambia County voters in 1992. It was again approved in 1997 and 2006 with the current round expiring in 2017. The County

arrangement as soon as possible to avoid more problems down the line.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Don't accept half-way explanations for a situation that requires full disclosure. The more you know now, the better able you will be to handle any complications that might arise.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The cooperation you relied upon might not be easy to get. Maybe there's an information gap. See if everyone

continues to be faced with the need to fund its growth. This funding source is a way to pay for the needed improvements to roads and drainage, increased police and fire protection, libraries, parks and environmental protection.

One such expenditure was the \$5.5 million Perdido Key Fire Station, Community Center and Visitor Information Center, officially opened September 2013.

The County has hosted a series of public meetings through-

out its five commission districts to engage citizens about the details of the already existing Local Option Sales Tax. The final meeting is scheduled on Pensacola Beach.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Problems caused by that recent workplace distraction should soon be easing, allowing you to resume working at a less frantic pace. That personal matter also begins to ease up.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Changing your mind about a job decision isn't easy for the usually committed

understands the situation. If not, be sure to offer a full explanation.

During 2014, Escambia County budgeted \$807,000 of Local Option Sales Tax for projects on Pensacola Beach. The lighted crosswalk on Pensacola Beach Blvd. and electrical upgrades to the Gulfside Pavilion are complete with a combined cost of \$55,000. The highest dollar project is to improve drainage.

Aquarian. But once you check it out, you'll find facts you didn't know before. And facts don't lie.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your unique way of sizing up a situation gives you an edge in resolving that upsetting workplace problem. Stay on your current course regardless of any attempts to distract you.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are emotionally attuned to what's going on around you, and you easily pick up on people's needs.

It is ongoing with a price tag of \$713,000. A surveillance camera on the Bob Sikes Bridge has been budgeted at \$35,000.

The tax is paid by everyone who makes a purchase. Tourists and visitors passing through the county pay an estimated 34 percent of the money collected.

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The Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce's Art and Wine Festival brought veteran and rookie artists to the Boardwalk, October 19 for a show and sale. Jamie Turner had her shell based art on display. This was her first show. She collects the shells, creates the art and repurposes pallets for frames.



The Gulf Breeze High School Cafeteria gang went all-in for their costumes at the Bras Across The Bridge event, October 11 at The Grand Marlin. It's hard to stand out in the sea of pink clad participants, but (L to R) Mary Jane Dunlap, Pam Sanders, Wade Hall and Pensacola Beach's Kim Cole did an outstanding job. Hundreds of linked bras which stretched to the top of the Bob Sikes Bridge and cash will be donated to charity.



Eight-month-old Matisen Kofoed of Gulf Breeze accompanied her mom Kathryn to the Bras Across The Bridge event, October 11 at The Grand Marlin. Little Matisen had to ride in her stroller during the ascent of the Bob Sikes Bridge.

Yoko Jemison samples a sparkling wine at the Beach Chamber's Art and Wine Festival, October 19 at the Boardwalk.



Carleen Wheeler, left, and Shelby Smith at the Bras Across The Bridge event, October 11 at The Grand Marlin.



Jennifer Jackson of Margaritaville Beach Hotel supported the Bras Across The Bridge event, October 11 at The Grand Marlin.

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NATURE NOTES

By Carrie Stevenson
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Battling Bat Myths

As we enter Halloween season, one of the most popular images of this spooky time of year is that of a bat. The creepy tales of vampire bats and Dracula are enduring and certainly exciting. Unfortunately, many negative connotations exist around this fascinating species. Perhaps you've heard they carry rabies, that they will fly into your hair, or that many of them are considered blood-sucking vampire bats?

In fact, there are many benefits to having bats in one's landscape and neighborhood. The predominant role of bats in our local ecosystem is that of insect predator. A single little brown bat (*Myotis lucifugus*), which is native to the Florida Panhandle, can eat 1,200 mosquitoes in one hour of feeding. Other species in warmer climates eat fruit and play a major role in reforesting rain forests in Central and South America—after digesting the fruit they leave seeds in their droppings (guano is excellent fertilizer, by the way), helping replant 95 percent of the very trees they feed upon. Some species feed on nectar, filling the same role as bees and helping pollinate bananas, avocados, cashews, and figs.

Contrary to popular belief, bats are not blind and many have excellent vision. However, they do rely heavily on echolocation to sense prey and are extremely accurate hunters. They often fly erratically because they are chasing very small flying insects, so the only reason one would end up in a person's hair is if a mosquito flew through it with a bat in chase!

While vampire bats do exist, there are only 3 out of over 1,000 species of bats that feed on blood, and they all live in Latin

America. They also tend to feed on the blood of livestock. Human contact with bats is rare unless the bats are sick, which is why one found on the ground should be left alone.

Rabies transmission from bats accounts for only one death per year in the United States—a statistic much less than that of deaths from dog bites, bee stings, and lightning strikes. In fact, several towns in Texas with the highest populations of bats in the country have recorded zero human bat-transmitted rabies cases.

Bat populations are declining in North America due to disease (particularly white-nose syndrome), loss of habitat and the slow reproductive cycle of bats. However, you can help the world's only flying mammal by installing a bat house in your yard. Keep in mind that bats attracted to bat houses prefer to be in open areas away from trees (where their predators hide), and the house should be installed at least 12 feet in the air. Bat houses can be purchased or built rather simply—keep an eye out for Extension workshops near you, or visit Bat Conservation International's website for simple instructions (www.batcon.org).

Hikers Head For Waterfall

Lace up your hiking boots and join the Florida Trail Association at their "Blue Trail to the Waterfall Hike" Saturday, November 1 at 9 a.m. The event starts at Karick Lake campground 6 miles north of Baker.

"Let's take a hike and enjoy this beautiful weather," said Peggy Grantham, trip leader. "We will walk 3 miles on the Jackson Trail and then take the side trail to the waterfall on Panther Creek where we will rest and take a short snack break. We'll return the same 3 miles to our cars. If three miles is all you can do I will drive you back to your car."

If time allows, the group may drive to a location for lunch after the hike's conclusion.

Participants should dress appropriate for hiking.

For more information contact Grantham at 850-982-9490 or sign up in the meetup site <http://www.meetup.com/flawesterngate>

There is no charge for the hike, but the non-members will be kindly asked to make a donation.

Ocean Hour Organizes Opal Beach Clean Up

Ocean Hour will be cleaning up Opal Beach from 9-10 a.m. Saturday, November 1. Meet in the Opal Beach parking lot, trash bags and buckets will be provided. Volunteers should bring gloves, sunscreen and drinking water.

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- Supervisor of Elections Main Office** 213 Palafox Place, Second Floor **Hours:** 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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- Main Library** 239 N. Spring Street **Hours:** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Molino Community Center** 6450 Highway 95A North **Hours:** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Genealogy Branch Library** 5740 N. 9th Avenue **Hours:** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
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- Escambia County Extension Services** 3740 Stefani Road **Hours:** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4
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Calendar

OCTOBER

- 28: PegLeg Pete's Haunted House. Dark to 10 p.m. Ft. Pickens Rd. Open to everyone at no charge.
 - 28: Local Option Sales Tax Public Meeting, Beach Church, 6-8 p.m.
 - 28: Bands on the Beach. Finale sponsored by Levin Rinke Resort Realty. Gulfside Pavilion. 7-9 pm www.visitpensacolabeach.com
 - 30: Beach School Fall Festival, 5-8 p.m. at School. All are welcome.
 - 31: Check out our Halloween Happenings in this edition.
- ## NOVEMBER
- 4: Election Day. Vote!
 - 4: Krewe of St. Patrick at Paddy O'Leary's, 6 p.m.
 - 11: Pensacola Beach Veterans Day Parade, 2 p.m. Avenida 10 to the Gulfside Pavilion. Ceremonies follow.
 - 11: Fee Free at Fort Pickens.
 - 12: Santa Rosa Island Authority Meeting, 5 pm. #1 Via de Luna, Open to the Public. www.sria-fla.com
 - 15: In Hot Pursuit 5K, Gulfside Pavilion
 - 15: Living History Encampment, Ft. Pickens. Also, on Nov. 16
 - 15: Ranger Led Tour, Ft. Pickens, 2 p.m.
 - 15: Krewe du YaYa Pink Pub Pedal
 - 15: Candlelight Tour, self paced, 7-9 p.m. Ft. Pickens
 - 16: Ft. Pickens, Ranger Led Tour,

- 2 p.m.
 - 19: Santa Rosa Island Authority Meeting, 5 pm. #1 Via de Luna, Open to the Public. www.sria-fla.com
 - 27: Turkey Trot 5K. 8:30 a.m. Gulfside Pavilion.
 - 27: Happy Thanksgiving!
 - 29: Jingle Bell 5K to benefit Arthritis Foundation, Gulfside Pavilion, 7 a.m.
- ## DECEMBER
- 6: Toys for Tots Poker Tourney, The Dock, 1 p.m.
 - 6: Lighted Boat Parade, 6 p.m. Fireworks PensacolaBeachChamber.com
 - 7: Sisters of the Beach Christmas Luncheon, 11 a.m. Flounder's
 - 7: Surfing Santa Beach Parade, 2 p.m. PensacolaBeachChamber.com
 - 9: Joy For The Beach, Our Lady, 7 pm
 - 10: Santa Rosa Island Authority Meeting, 5 pm. #1 Via de Luna, Open to the Public. www.sria-fla.com
 - 14: Ugly Sweater Pub Crawl, 11 a.m. PensacolaBeachChamber.com
 - 31: New Year's Eve Fireworks, 8 p.m. and Midnight
- ## JANUARY
- 1: Polar Bear Plunge, Paradise, Register Noon. Plunge at 2 p.m.

King Crossword

Answers

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BYTES & BITS

By Joe Stukey, Your Computer Pal

Q: "Was The Dropbox Service Hacked?"

A: Dropbox is a "free" Internet-based file storage service. The service denies that 7 million user names and passwords have been hacked this week. They say that the names and passwords came from a service not directly connected to Dropbox accounts. The third party service that was affected has not yet been named. The passwords were posted by the hackers on a website where they will be offered for sale. Dropbox says that it always monitors user accounts and will disable any passwords that appear to be compromised. As a precaution, I recommend that you change your passwords that are being used with Dropbox.

Here is how Dropbox works. You download the Dropbox program and install it in your computer. Then you select the files that you want to put into your Internet storage file. Dropbox can synchronize the latest files by automatically updating the Dropbox folder on the Internet when you make changes to your files. It is a great way to back up your important files.

It is free unless you need a lot of storage space. You would have to pay for extra storage. The storage limit for a free account is 2 gigabytes. For \$10 per month, Dropbox provides you with 50 gigabytes of personal

space. The product works with Windows-based computers and Apple computers.

By allowing others to share your storage area on the Internet, you can pass files to your friends and business contacts. If a team of people needs to share files, Dropbox is an easy way to do that. You can access those files from any location by logging on to www.dropbox.com. You should use a strong password and set up two-step password verification.

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

Sunrise and Sunset with Safari-Su

By SUSAN HASELTON-BARR
Jambo! (Hello Everybody)

Airplane departure requirements have not changed in decades. I remember flying in the 60s and the Stewardess had the same instructions as today. The difference is, as an adult I am listening to it through a different processing filter. "If the aircraft is about to lose altitude the oxygen mask will drop down from the overhead compartment. Please place the mask over your face first and then the face of your child," she said.

Oxygen mask - me first- no way! Having recently acknowledged I was a hyper overprotective parent, I would absolutely struggle with the concept of not

putting the mask over my child's face first. My instinct for their survival would kick in, and of course by then, I would have passed out from lack of oxygen myself. Putting our adult self first occasionally, particularly for mothers, is an almost impossible job. However, if you do not fill your love tank first, there will be much more left to give those precious people in your life. Try to accomplish one event each day that is just for you.

Beauty Hint: Take that one

lipstick you love and buy as many as you can find. Put the unused ones in the freezer. They will last years.

I always tell my clients I am trying to Slay the Time Thief Dragon. Anything I can do to save a few more minutes for their day makes me a successful customer service provider. Put that oxygen mask on yourself and fill up your love tank.

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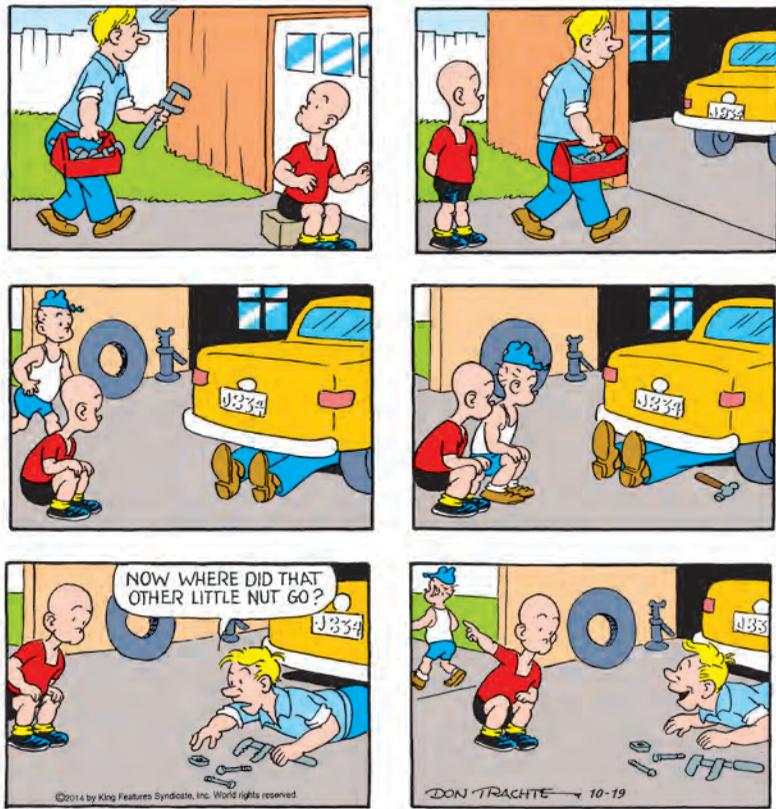
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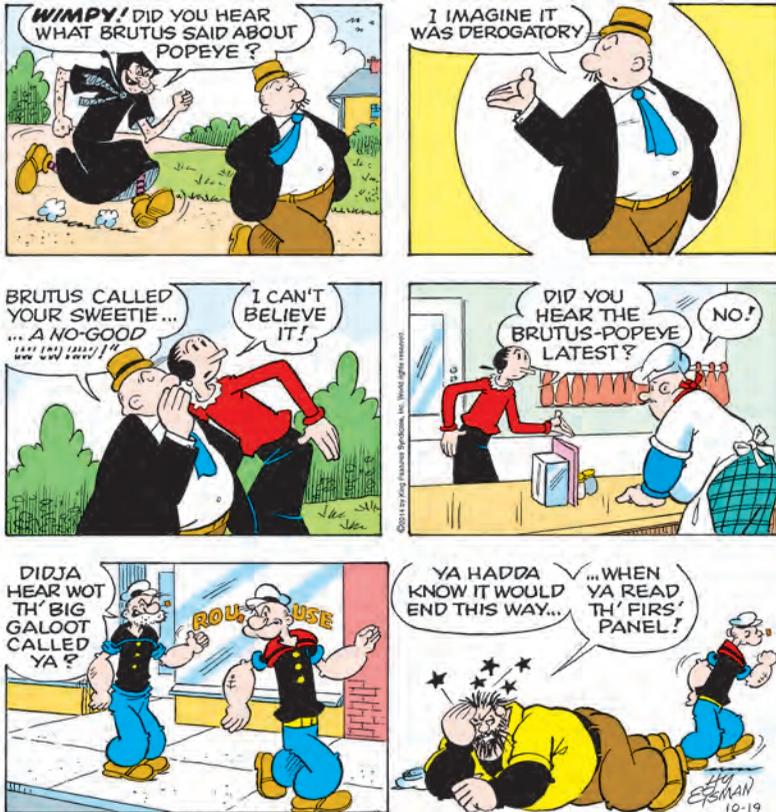
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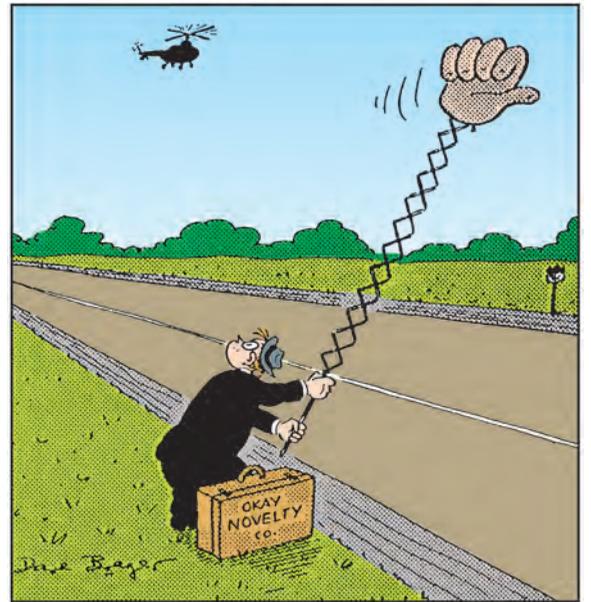


Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



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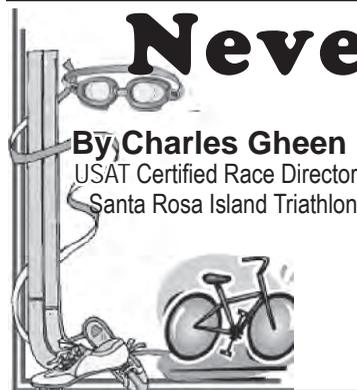


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By Charles Gheen
USAT Certified Race Director
Santa Rosa Island Triathlon

Kona - The Big Kahuna

If you're involved in multi-sport (triathlon, duathlon or xterra) competitions at all, you're probably very familiar with the Ironman World Championship in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii. If you're a sports fan of any type, you may well have seen some of the gripping drama of the event on television over the last 30 years. "Kona" (as this monumental race is commonly called) has captured the imagination of many people across the world for nearly four decades.

It's the grueling event where Julie Moss was far ahead nearing the end of the run and kept collapsing from dehydration. A huge global television audience watched (and held its breath) as she crawled toward the Finish Line. Then, just yards from the end, she was passed by Kathleen McCartney. It's the race in which Dick Hoyt has pulled and pushed his quadriplegic son Rick through the 140.6 suffocating miles on five occasions. And it's the competition that local triathlete Evan

Malone fought his way through last Saturday to finish in just under 13 hours.

The race was conceived in 1977 by John and Judy Collins who were a Navy couple living in Honolulu. They came up with the idea of combining the three toughest endurance races in the state (the 2.4-mile Waikiki Roughwater Swim, the 115 mile Around Oahu Bike Race and the 26.2 mile Honolulu Marathon) into one event. In February 1978, the idea became reality as 15 people showed up in Waikiki to take on what was called the "Ironman." The bike course was shortened to 112 miles to finish near the marathon start.

The race grew in stature and changed locations landing in Kailua-Kona in 1981. Kona, on the island of Hawaii, features barren lava fields, crosswinds of up to 50 miles per hour, near 100-degree heat and a blazing sun. The races there

over the years are legendary and the winners include the greatest champions of the sport.

Evan Malone has completed many triathlons including 15 Ironman races. Those 15 races were the same 140.6 mile distance and all were difficult, really difficult. I'm sure he always had Kona in mind, but he had never qualified for the World Championship. Recently, World Triathlon Corporation, which owns and conducts all the Ironman brand races, began a legacy lottery and Evan was selected to compete.

After arriving on the Big Island on Monday, he spent the week preparing for the race and sight seeing. Friday afternoon, the tension and excitement ramped up as 2,187 athletes racked their bikes and put their gear into Transition over a five-hour period. At 4:30 the next morning athletes began arriving for swim check-in and body marking. At 6:50 a.m. the male age group wave entered Kailua-Kona Bay and began the 2.4-mile swim.

Many of us in the area were "watching" Evan by following live

updates of his splits. Along the course there are numerous timing mats that captured his movements through the three disciplines. These times are then posted online allowing his progress to be monitored. He had a very good swim of 1 hour and seven minutes placing 679TH out of the entire field. After a 6 minute and 17 second T1 (the swim to bike transition), he settled in for the 112-mile bike leg.

Evan said "as billed this is a big boy course - mainly the bike." Due to the wind he was down in his aero bars only about half the time. Nasty crosswinds and gusts made for some shaky riding. It was very hot in the lava fields on the Queen K Highway all the way to the turnaround point at Hawi and back. He went through many liters of water as well as 7 bottles of electrolytes. You are out there for a long, long time with continuing hydration and nutrition needs during the entire race.

After 6 hours and 49 minutes he got off his Scott bicycle and racked it. He had averaged 16.41 miles per hour and was happy, I'm sure, to be standing on terra firma. After a T2 (the bike to run transition) of 8 minutes and 43 seconds, he began running the 26.2 mile marathon which is the third discipline.

The first 10 miles were "balanced," but then he encountered Palani Hill and that threw his cadence off. He struggled to re-establish his rhythm the final 16 miles and then approached the epic Finish Line scene on Ali'I Drive. Spectators line the road on both sides, music is blaring and after 4 hours and 44 minutes of running, he heard the classic words from the race announcer "Evan Malone, you are an Ironman!" It was 12 hours and 55 minutes after he began the swim that morning. On November 1, he'll do it all again at Ironman Florida.



Evan Malone the Ironman



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Off the Hook

By Terri McKamey

The night bite at a few of the bridges has been outstanding for White Trout, Redfish and even a Shark or two. The White Trout are so plentiful; it is perfect for kids and family outings. White Trout are pretty tasty, and the kids just love how easy it is to get one to bite that hook. I've had a few guests with kids that were so worn out from reeling, that they had to give their wrists a rest before continuing.

Hey guys, can you feel the change in temperature? This means the annual Redfish run is just a few weeks away. There's nothing like the thrill of catching one of those monster Reds. Although I haven't seen any monster Reds yet, there are some Redfish being caught both deep and around the lights on top. As you can see, fishing has been very good and should only get better as fall approaches and cooler temperatures arrive.

Plenty of Mullet nets everywhere and I'm still seeing them being pulled in. Floundering - both gigging and fishing - is still going strong, too.

Quite a few of my friends work on charter boats and they are still doing well although high winds over the last few days weren't helpful.

This little of story goes out to Dylan who works on one of our local boats. As it happened, I planned and worked a wedding event at Castaways on a Sunday evening. I was talking to the brother of the bride and he kept repeating to me that he was leaving the very next day to head to Alaska to go fishing. He owns a charter boat out of Gulf Shores and introduced me to his daughters. He continued to talk about leaving for Alaska the next day, so I finally asked him is he was going fishing on vacation. As far as I knew the only fishing there at this time of year was Salmon or King Crab fishing which was to begin in two days.

He smiled and said, "Yep. I'm going up there to fish, but it's not going to be any vacation. I work on the Cape Caution. I'm Kelly Collins."

My friend Dylan just happens to be a huge fan of the Discovery Channel's "Deadliest Catch" and although Kelly Collins is not on the Time Bandit, he is the green horn they played a little trick on last year.

Kelly was the sweetest person. Best of luck this season! King crab season began October 15 on the Bering Sea. Here's hoping the catch is plentiful.

With these cooler air temperatures and water temperatures quickly dropping that doesn't mean fishing is over. Some of the best fishing is just beginning. So what are you waiting for? Grab a kid and go fishing!



Jim Corum forded a river to get a Bud Light during the American Legion Putt Putt Outing October 18 at Tiki Island. Proceeds supported the veterans programs and other charities.



Carrie Holmes, left, earned second place and Ted Gorder was the champion at the Texas Hold 'Em 4444 Fun Celebration 4444 Education poker tournament October 18 at Castaways on the Boardwalk. Every player earned a prize donated by various beach businesses. The Beach School Music Department was the real winner. A donation will be delivered to the School at their Fall Festival, October 30.



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Halloween Party

Friday Oct 31

Trunk Monkey at 9 pm

Costume Contest at Midnight

Drink Specials Great Prizes

Monday
Half Price BARE, 10 AM til close
Monday Night Football & Pizza • Trivia, 8 PM

Tuesday
Karaoke with Becky, 8 - midnite

Wednesday
Oct 29 - John Hart Band, 8:30 PM
Nov 5 - Dave & Joe Show, 8:30 PM

Thursday
Half Price Drinks w/Shaker Shirt
Oct 30 - Fish Out of Water, 8 PM
Nov 6 - Tips for Lucy, 8 PM

Friday
Oct 31 - Halloween Bash w/ Trunk Monkey, 9 PM
Nov 7 - Flock of Sea Monkeys, 9 PM

Saturday
Nov 1 - Bill Dossey & Dennis Gossman, 2-6 PM
Nov 1 - Trunk Monkey, 9 PM
Nov 8 - Flock of Sea Monkeys, 9 PM

Sunday
Nov 2 - Lektric Mullet, 3 PM
Nov 9 - Crosstown, 4 PM
Nov 2 & 9
Karaoke with Becky, 9 PM




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MONDAY

\$2.50 Crabwackers

TUESDAY

\$2.50 Margaritas

WEDNESDAY

1/2 Price House Wine & We Call It Drink Specials

THURSDAY

\$3 House Martinis

FRIDAY

\$6 Crab Traps

SATURDAY

Tim Spencer
\$7 Souvenir Pilsners

SUNDAYS AT NOON

Pensacola Steel Band
Brunch Served—
10 am to 2 pm

Bottomless Champagne \$6.99

SUNDAY

\$6 Voo Doo Juice Buckets

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