Leprechauns To Legislation
Beach Chamber Seeks Success For Beach Businesses

Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce Board members meet each month, year round to plan and implement programs, events and initiatives to make Pensacola Beach a better place to live, work and play. The Chamber manages the daily operation of the Pensacola Beach Visitor’s Information Center and advocates for business-friendly governmental policies. It’s a big undertaking for the all-volunteer board, but they are energized and enthusiastic about the new year. Realtor Annabella Owens, left, serves as the Board secretary and hosted the February meeting in the Levin Rinke Boardroom. Joining her are (L to R): Immediate Past Chairman Robert Gleim of Bamboo Willie’s (back row), Chairman Ron Spradling of City Spree, Vice Chairman Terry Preston of the Pensacola Beach Advocates who also owns Pensacola Parade People, Ira Verbois of Ira Verbois Photography and Craig Weber of Keller Williams Real Estate. Board members not in photo are: Board Treasurer Chase Cole of Flounder’s Chowder House, James Hutto of Dot Com Marketers, and Larissa Burnett from Innisfree.

At the February 27 meeting, the Board reviewed the final details for the thirty-first annual St. Paddy’s Day Pub Crawl which the Chamber hosts annually on March 17. For more about the shenanigans, turn to Page 2.
Chamber Board Looks For Pot O’Gold

During March the Pensacola Beach Chamber promotes prosperity, hospitality and a wee bit of good luck. All three will be abundant at their annual St. Paddy’s Day Pub Crawl, Saturday, March 17. The event, which is over three decades old, begins at 10 a.m. at Crab’s on Pensacola Beach. Chef Jere Doyle, a fine Irishman in his own right, is cooking up a big Irish breakfast. Pub Crawlers who meander around the beach all day have ten stops to enjoy, plenty of fine fare and refreshments, as well as music.

There is no charge to join the St. Paddy’s Day Pub Crawl, but drinks and food are available for purchase at each of the Pub Crawl stops and at the Pensacola Beach Visitor’s Information Center. The proceeds from the t-shirt sales are donated to Covenant Care in memory of John Patrick “Paddy” Blake, the Pub Crawl founder and head leprechaun. The official Pub Crawl t-shirt will earn the wearer discounts at some locations and entry into the Paddy O’Leary’s party.

Beach businesses welcome the Pub Crawlers for an hour or all day. Cash registers will be ringing which makes business owners want to dance a jig after the long winter season. Beach Chamber events are hosted in the spring and summer months. There are Business After Hours networking events hosted in the Pub Crawl and includes a guest speaker.

The Board takes their role very seriously and their staff members have many hats to wear. President Alison Westmoreland and Membership Director Kailey Weiner work tirelessly to support the members in addition to providing management services of the Pensacola Beach Visitor’s Information Center.

The 2018 Board jumped right in to the new year with fresh ideas and launched a new website, but the Chamber’s mission remained the same. It seeks to strengthen, enhance and encourage the prosperity of existing businesses and the development of new ones. To accomplish these goals, the Beach Chamber functions as an economic developer, tourist information center, business spokesperson, economic counselor and public relations practitioner. All that hard work combined with a wee bit o’ luck and the Beach Chamber will have an outstanding year.

Need more information on events or membership? Go to PensacolaBeachChamber.com.

Mark Your Calendar

BCC: Thursday, March 8 Committee of the Whole, 9 a.m.; 221 Palafox Place. www.myescambia.com, Questions? District Four 850-595-4940

SRIA: Wednesday, March 14, 5 p.m. SRIA Boardroom, #1 Via de Luna. Full Board Meeting. Agenda available at www.sria-fla.com

BCC: Thursday, March 15, Agenda Review, 9 a.m.; Public Forum, 4:30 p.m.; Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m. 221 Palafox Place. www.myescambia.com, Questions? District Four 850-595-4940

SRIA: Wednesday, March 28, 5 p.m. SRIA Boardroom, #1 Via de Luna. Santa Rosa Island Authority Committee Meeting. Agenda available at www.sria-fla.com
March 6, 2018

UWF’s English Department, will Yeager, recently retired head of Clubber Donna Jones. “Dr. Bob discussion featuring The Taming Elk’s Lodge. 6:30 p.m. at the Pensacola Beach meeting Monday, March 26, at

March 27, 1992

The Islander Newspaper

I ran across a recipe for Dirt Cake in, of all places, the newsletter from the Master Gardeners organization. At first, I thought it had to be some kind of mulch, but no, it really is an edible dessert called Dirt Cake which is placed in a small flower pot and decorated with a silk flower. Then, it is ready to serve. It caught my attention, so you will find the recipe at the end of Barefoot.

The recipe for Dirt Cake set my thoughts spinning, and I wonder why so many desserts have such icky names. Like Mississippi Mud Cake. Have you ever been on the banks of the Mississippi and waded in that mud? And yet, the cake is lusciously sinfully.

Did you ever eat a Black Cow? That’s a chocolate and vanilla ice cream with whipped cream concoction. Why is it called a Black Cow? It doesn’t moo and it’s more white than any other color, and none of it is black. Oh, well.

If you’ve ever been a Girl Scout leader, you know everything has some kind of catchy name, including the dessert you put together around a campfire. Angels on Horseback. Graham crackers, milk chocolate, and melted marshmallows. Somewhere along the line, I think the name for this famous Girl Scout delicacy may have been changed to “Some Mores” which makes a lot of sense compared to Angels on Horseback.

There’s another cake name that blows my mind. Red Velvet. Must be like eating someone’s prom dress. Or Lace Cookies. Like eating someone’s curtains.

Dirt seems to be a popular component for names of lots of edibles and drinkables. Dirt Rice. Garbage Omelet. Filthy Martini. Dirty Mother. Diesel Fuel. Wouldn’t you rather eat Rice Pilaf and drink a Tequila Sunrise?

I’m considering the creation of some new recipes. Before dinner I will be serving a Gutter Water or a Storm Run-Off. The entrée could be Lint Balls, Gravel Pits or Grease Racks. Dessert will be Oil Slick Cake.

Before I forget, I would recommend that you go to the Ponchartrain Hotel in New Orleans and order the Mile High Pie. Of course, it isn’t a mile high (that’s a football stadium in Denver), but the name fits in with the rest of the crazies we’re discussing here.

My worst nightmare in the Weird Food Names Department is “Death by Chocolate.” It takes practically no imagination to visualize yourself lying dead as a doonail across the table after consuming that huge chocolate on chocolate monstrosity. Whoever named that dessert got it right.

Book Club Tames Shakespeare

The Gulf Breeze Book Club will hold its next regular monthly meeting Monday, March 26, at 6:30 p.m. at the Pensacola Beach Elk’s Lodge.

“It is our annual Shakespeare discussion featuring The Taming of the Shrew this time,” said Book Clubber Donna Jones. “Dr. Bob Yeager, recently retired head of UWF’s English Department, will once again lead us through the work of the Bard and he always makes it a delightful time.”

There is no charge to attend the Gulf Breeze Book Club meeting. Everyone is welcome. Parking is free.

“We enjoy visitors, so please feel free to join us,” commented Jones.

For more information email donnaljones@hotmail.com or call Jones at 850-932-8620.
Beach Elementary School. KICK IT UP A NOTCH

Congratulations to the Gulf Breeze High School Lady Dolphin Soccer Team who finished as runners-up in the entire state. Their championship bid against Merritt Island High on Feb. 23 fell one goal short. The beach was well represented on this squad of outstanding athletes and students. They are: Margeaux Hunt, Blair Amberson, Nicole Manderson, Katie Player, Summer Stanley, Sawyer Rowe, Kasey Richards, Emma Campbell, Riley Cassidy, Ramey Niles, Mya Swinton, Madelyn Martin, Alyse Woodall, Aila Swinton, Katelyn Stahl, Sydney Wood, Sophie Sanchez, Lauren Feltenberger, Kristin Goodroe, Hannah Michaud, Makayla Sullivan and Madison Shaw.

LOVE THE BEACH

The volunteers who attended the February 17 Ocean Hour Clean Up showed the beach a little bit of love. Ocean Hour’s Sharon Girnackus said volunteers removed 546 pounds of litter and debris. Ocean Hour reports that the 2018 clean up total is 2,475 pounds of litter.

SYMPATHIES

James Edward Elbert
July 2, 1941 – Feb. 12, 2018

The Elbert family gathered February 24 at their soundfront home to celebrate the life of their patriarch Jim Elbert. He passed away February 12 after a brief battle with ALS.

His son Jeff said in his eulogy, “It wasn’t supposed to end this way. The epic novel of my dad’s life, our “Pop,” Jim Elbert had an unbelievably sad and cruel plot twist toward the end. No, it wasn’t supposed to end this way. None of the less, it is still an incredible story.” The story was mostly a romance about a man who loved his wife, children, family and his many friends with all his heart. He leaves to write the next part of the story his beloved wife and partner Bonnie; his wonderful children and their spouses Becky and Robby Quina, Robin and Matt Martin, Alyse Woodall, Aila Swinton, Katelyn Stahl, Sydney Wood, Sophie Sanchez, Lauren Feltenberger, Kristin Goodroe, Hannah Michaud, Makayla Sullivan and Madison Shaw.

Wooly Booger, an original Beach Chamber board member, and the founder of Island Style. In all the years of his retail success, Jim was honing his skills as a master carpenter and an island poet.

As a fitting tribute here’s his poem “Simple Things”

I long for the simple things
For moonlit beaches to gulls on wings
The smell of jasmine on a soft warm night
The majestic grade of a pelican’s flight

I long only for the simple things
For children’s laughter to the hope of spring
Holding the hand of the one I love, Watching our eagle circling above
These things matter to me.

I long only for the simple things
For childhood memories of junkets on strings

For friend and family as they used to be
Before life and death took the from me
Time is the Enemy!

I long only for the simple things
Not fame or wealth or the power they bring,
But to be left alone, acting independently
To have the time to enjoy what matters to me
Maybe, one day, I’ll be free.

[Walk the Beach for ALS to honor Jim Elbert will be Sunday, April 15, 10 a.m. at Flounder’s.]

Greg Christoff was the quickest to the computer this week. His fast and accurate answer, “Pensacola Beach Woman’s Club,” earned him a new Island Times t-shirt and the admiration of about half of the Beach’s population. Melanie Waite from Pace was the runner-up. She grabbed Island Times online. Her usual print edition languished atop a stack of letters while the postal service celebrated President’s Day.

The Club was organized in 1954 and had a building built by 1958. Those ladies were real pioneers on the Beach.

Lovely Lynda thought it fitting to give her Marine Aviator husband Jim Knell the answer. So, Jim who is notorious for close-but-not-correct answers, shot over an email, “Pensacola Beach Woman’s Club.” Jim finally gets one right. And, for those who are following the unfolding story, Lynda did get the box of Godiva chocolates that she so richly deserves.

Bruce Clark was the only one who got tangled up and sent “Pensacola Beach Elk’s.” His wife Lynn knew right away that it was the venerable Pensacola Beach Woman’s Club. Longtime beach icons like Chuck Steele and Amy Cheshire, Emma were not fooled by this trivial matter. They both got it right as did Sir Morrie Drees of the Knights of the Trivia Roundtable and Dan McGrath.

New to the Trivia Gang is Patty Lou Kattner, who is a long-standing member of the Pensacola Beach Woman’s Club. She was correct, although not among the first responders.

The Queen of Wrong Answers Joanne Brooks, also a member of the Woman’s Club, submitted a correct answer. While she is never willing to abdicate her throw, she will from time to time leave the Land of the Woefully Incorrect while she sails around the beach. This next question may return her to her regally wrong spot.

This Mardi Gras krewe kept the parties going. They were the original instigators of the Beach’s Easter Parade – a special bonnet was required, as was the ability to sashay from bar to bar, drinking while balancing the zany thing on your head.

Do you recall the name of this krewe? Email your answer to shelley@myislandtimes.com with Trivia in the subject line. The first person to send the correct answer will be awarded an Island Times t-shirt appropriate for wearing on Easter Sunday to any beach bar.

Deadline to answer is Tuesday, March 13. Good luck.
SRIA Committees Approve Pools, Piers And Piping Plovers

Santa Rosa Island Authority Architectural and Environmental Committee approved pools, piers and piping plovers as part of their agenda items at the February 28 meeting. The Committee granted approval to offer a perpetual easement to Santa Rosa Island Authority and the Santa Rosa Island Authority for the easement to construct a pier and boat lift. The 265 foot pier had already been through the permitting and approval process with the former leaseholder, Bonifay Water Sports. There were no changes, so the item received unanimous approval.

The Beach to Bay Soundfront property, which houses the Go Kart Track, returned to the Committee agenda when Beach to Bay Developer Robert Rinke offered a perpetual easement to Escambia County and the Santa Rosa Island Authority in order to accept new variances for three island leaseholders to install swimming pools along with voting on the Beach to Bay leaseholder’s request to construct a pier and boat lift. The 265 foot pier had already been through the permitting and approval process with the former leaseholder, Bonifay Water Sports. There were no changes, so the item received unanimous approval.

Traffic Ops Manager David Forte, right, explains plan for Access Road at February 28 SRIA meeting, while Robert Rinke looks on.

The Committee voted unanimously to approve these annual agreements.

The Committee voted unanimously to accept the easement and the leaseholder’s request regarding the deck was a separate item.

The Development and Leasing Committee approved the addition of Gulf Offshore Charters to open its charter fishing business at Sabine Marina. They also approved the return of Adventures Aboard at the Beach to Bay property. They will continue to offer water-based rentals, go-kart operations and add a Eurobungee trampoline. The snack bar will offer beer and wine. A new business, Pop Brothers, received approval to operate a popsicle cart at the Pensacola Beach RV Resort.

Mike Pinzone, Gulf Pier operator received approval to change his pricing structure for his Family Pass and his walk-on tickets. He told the Committee that the Pier users were exploiting the broad use of the family pass causing him to lose revenue. He was encountering a problem with walk-on customers as well. Pinzone is considering changing the Family Pass to a Household Pass which would require users to produce identification bearing the same home address.

Additionally, the Casino Beach Bar and Grill gained approval to change the name Beachin Burrito to Pier Café which will serve customers with a limited menu.

The Administrative Committee accepted the good news from Finance Director Dottie Ford that year-to-date commercial and residential lease fee collections were up 3.4 percent over the previous year. Totals for October through December were $636,705.

The SRIA awarded the Pensacola Beach Elk’s Lodge a $1,000 stipend to support advertising their charity golf tournament. Director of Administration Robbie Schrock told the Committee that the sponsorship had been granted annually since 2014. The event is May 18 at Tiger Point Country Club in Gulf Breeze.

The SRIA Full Board meets Wednesday, March 14 at 5 p.m. at #1 Via de Luna. The meeting is open to the public and agendas are available at www.sria-fla.com.

Asphalt Gone From Santa Rosa Area

Gulf Islands National Seashore officials announce the completion of year two of the beach enhancement and asphalt removal project, an effort that began at Santa Rosa in September 2017. Approximately 1,400 cubic yards of asphalt fragments and road base material were removed from just over 200 acres of the Santa Rosa Area. The Santa Rosa Area is east of Pensacola Beach. Onsite work wrapped up on February 28 in time for shorebird nesting season.

The Santa Rosa cleanup is part of a much larger five year project, which includes the Fort Pickens, Santa Rosa and Perdido Key Areas of the park. Throughout each area, asphalt pieces ranging from the size of large slabs to as small as a quarter of an inch in diameter, and other road base materials will be removed. The project allows work to be performed only while shorebirds and sea turtles are not nesting, and it also includes replanting vegetation in areas damaged during the asphalt removal process. This will limit the impact of the removal activities on the park’s natural resources.
I hope everyone knows by now about the “Support for Seadog” coming up this Thursday (March 8) at Paradise. While I don't know Seadog very well personally, I do recognize a Beach icon when I meet one. And he is definitely one of our more infamous icons. We need to hang a closer touch, I know hardly anything about little David's dash. I never knew his birthday was the day before mine and then I noticed his passing was exactly 4 months before he would turn 35.

Therein lie my regrets. I regret not knowing more about him, but I promise him I will be a bigger part of those dashes that are left. The day after David left us, God granted our lives with the birth of Colton Michael Roedl at 10:30 a.m. on February 22. (Baby Colton is the grandson of Bill's youngest sister Frann.) And we are blessed to witness the Circle of Life. That little dash among others are gonna be full with a "Crazy Old Aunt" which everyone needs. I don't intend to miss being a part of any more dashes with our relatives. Welcome to the world, Colton!

Even though this will be a short trip to St. Louis, it won't be the last. And oh yeah, we can't forget Bill's sister. So, let's cook...

Strawberries in Sambuca

1 Cup warm water
1/2 Cup sugar
3 Tbsp. fresh lemon juice
1/2 vanilla bean, split lengthwise
1/4 Cup + 2 Tbsp. Sambuca
2 lb. strawberries, trimmed, then halved or quartered if large
Bring water, sugar and lemon juice to a boil in a 2 - 3 quart saucepan. Scrape seeds from vanilla bean into saucepan using tip of paring knife and add pod. Bring to a boil, stirring until sugar has dissolved, then continue boiling until reduced to about 1 cup (8-10 minutes). Stir in Sambuca. Transfer syrup to a bowl and let cool completely. Stir in strawberries and let stand at room temperature 30 minutes to one hour. Discard pod. (Note: syrup can be made two days ahead and chilled. Bring to room temperature before adding strawberries)
Enjoy, share and please be kind above all.
See ya in the kitchen....

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Beach Optimists Learn About New Bridge Construction Project

By this time next year, drivers will be cruising on a smoother span across Pensacola Bay, according to Eisman and Russo Project Engineer Brett Pielstick. He was the featured speaker at the Pensacola Beach Optimist Club’s February 20 meeting at the Beach Church Fellowship Hall. By February 2019, one span of the new Pensacola Bay Bridge will be open and divided into five lanes – two lanes each for north and southbound traffic; and a middle lane for emergencies. The old bridge will be removed and the second span of the new structure will take form.

The new Pensacola Bay Bridge, a $398.5 million project, is scheduled to take 1,408 days from start to finish. It brought Pielstick back to his hometown of Pensacola where he will remain leading the CEI team until the project nears completion.

While most of Pielstick’s large construction projects are in Florida, he has worked on projects nationally and out of the country. In all his travels, he commented, “This is a beautiful place to work and live.”

Drivers see the cranes and barges working alongside the aging Three Mile Bridge. There are approximately 100 workers employed on that part of the project. The construction continues twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week. Some phases of the construction must be complete in a timely fashion to avoid migration and habitat interruption of Gulf Sturgeon, sea turtles, Smalltooth Sawfish and West Indian Manatees. The contract even requires a safe swim zone for fish.

Miles away at Bayou Chico in West Pensacola is where the concrete is cast. The pilings, trophy pieces and other concrete pieces that will be put in place by the cranes in the Bay are created and delivered to the job site. That massive undertaking employs about 300 people most of which were hired locally.

In addition to construction, the contractors provide Road Rangers to increase safety and decrease traffic tie ups caused by disabled vehicles. The contractors also have a community outreach program that reaches into the elementary, middle and high schools with age appropriate lessons and presentations.

While construction is ongoing, the lanes of travel will shift. Pielstick commented that drivers should use caution and be aware of the changes. He explained some recent lane shifts were to work around the ECUA water pipe that services Pensacola Beach.

The old Three Mile Bridge will be removed and its future is uncertain. The aging concrete will be recycled or turned into a fishing reef about two miles south of Pensacola Beach, or both.

All the lane changes, traffic tie ups and noise will be worth it, according to Pielstick. He showed renderings of a bridge with two spans of smooth, wide lanes. Additionally there were walking paths, completely separated from traffic which offered shade structures and seating areas. The landing of the bridge on the Gulf Breeze side is elevated to provide an access roadway and extra parking under the span.

Perhaps he saved the flashiest perk for last. The lighting, which must be turtle friendly, is remarkable.

“The lighting will be quite spectacular,” he stated prior to showing an animated rendering of the finished product. “It can be changed and controlled remotely, and be multi-colored.”

He then showed the bridge with red, white and blue alternating lights.

It’s a good thing the new Pensacola Bay Bridge will function and perform because it will be around a long time.

“Its life span is 75 years,” said Pielstick. “But it should last 100 years.”

The Pensacola Beach Optimist Club Speaker Series continues Tuesday, March 13 at 6 p.m. at the Pensacola Beach Church Fellowship Hall. The Gulf Breeze philanthropy group, Will Do, is the next scheduled presentation. The public is welcome to attend the speaker series. For more information, contact Optimist Club President Bettie Lee Sundstrum at sundstr8@aol.com.
SPRING BREAK DATES
Pensacola Beach Elementary School students will get a little break to celebrate spring this month. There will be no classes Monday, March 19 through Friday, March 23. Classes will resume Monday, March 26. It’s a short week, however, Friday, March 30 is also a school holiday. There are no classes on Good Friday, March 30.

SHINING BRIGHT
The Shining Star designation honors Escambia County elementary students who demonstrate good citizenship, leadership and who adhere to the core values of the Escambia County School District: Equality, Responsibility, Integrity, Respect, Honor and Patriotism. Fifth grader Lily Montgomery was named Pensacola Beach Elementary School’s Shining Star. A county-wide awards ceremony was hosted Thursday, March 1.

HISTORIC FAIR FINISH
Congratulations are in order for the 263 students who took part in the District History Fair January 31-February 3. The 180 entries competed in a variety of categories including exhibits, web sites, performances, documentaries and historical papers, entries competed in a variety of categories including exhibits, web sites, performances, documentaries and historical papers, these students had advanced from school level competitions.

Pensacola Beach’s Max Mather took home first place in Senior Performances. Max is a student at Pensacola High School’s IB Program.

BOX TOPS
The Beach School is collecting those little pink Box Tops for Education that appear on General Mills items. It’s a very small icon on everything from cake mixes to canned goods. Save them and drop them off at the Beach School or at the Beach Visitor’s Center. According to PTA President Christine Brewster the school turns in the Box tops in March and October. Over $500 was earned in the last collection. That’s treasures from trash.

SUMMER FUN
The long lazy days of summer can be filled with sailing, surfing and kid-centric recreation.

Surf Camp
Join Billabong and Innerlight to prove it. The Beach Church Trivia Night gains Popularity.

Beach Church Trivia Night Gains Popularity
Are you the smartest one in the room? Here’s your chance to prove it. The Beach Church Trivia Night is Friday, March 9 at 6 p.m. at Randle Hall.

Individuals may play for $12.50. If you have seven friends, you can fill an entire table. The good news is the competition will be stiff. There are already 40 players signed up to test their knowledge of the most trivial things.

Everyone is welcome to join trivia. You do not need to be a church member or a beach resident. Sign up sheets are in the Sanctuary entrance, or call Sally at the Church Office at 850-932-6628 and she’ll sign you up. It’s a night of food, fun and fellowship. Each table or individual player brings his own snacks.

For more information please visit www.thebeachchurch.com or email pnbchurchchurch@att.net

The church is located at 920 Panferio Drive.

Cost for non-members is $345; Yacht Club members $295. Registration and information may be found under the tab “Jr. Sailing" on the PYC website, www.pensacolayachtclub.org.

Gulf Breeze Rec Center Summer camp at the Gulf Breeze Recreation Center kicks off June 4 and ends August 10. The camp is open to kindergarten through eighth graders from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lots of activities including a weekly field trip on Thursdays. Cost is $20 per week for the first child and $15 for each additional child. The Thursday field trip is an additional $10. Registration is currently open. For more information, Summer Camp Director Sydney DePalma, sdepalma@gulfbreeze-fl.gov or 850-934-5140.
Spring Brings Bands, Bunnies, Runners and Songwriters

Flounder’s Eat Drink and Flounder Concert Series kicks off with the Eli Young Band Friday, March 23 at 9:30 p.m. Tickets are $20 each and are available at www.flounderschowderhouse.com. Grab yourself a diesel fuel, dip your toes in the sugar white sand and join in the fun and excitement this Spring Break. The concert series is sponsored by Cat Country 98.7.

Ocean Hour will let you fill your Easter Basket with litter that you find during their clean up, Saturday, March 24 at Fort Pickens. Registration at 8:45 a.m. OceanHourFL.com for more.

Krewe of Brewe Easter Beach Bash will be Sunday, March 25 from 4-7 p.m. at the Sandshaker Lounge. Wear your craziest Easter bonnet for games, contests, drink specials and prizes. The Krewe of Brewe donates a portion of the proceeds to Homes for Heroes.

Operation Song: A Celebration of Veterans is a first year event. Hosted by Pensacola Beach Songwriters Festival organizers Jim and Reneda Pasquale and Dave Glassman of AHIBO, there will be a free concert Friday, March 30 at 6 p.m. at the Beach Church Fellowship Hall. Fridays performances include both veterans songwriters and professional songwriters. The Saturday March 31 performances and showcase begin at 4:30 p.m. at the Pensacola Beach Elk’s Lodge. Meet and Greets, Operation Song Showcase, Concert of Light produced by Last Honky Tonk Music Series. Ticket prices start at $25. PensacolaBeachSongfest.com to purchase.

In conjunction with Operation Song, Kappa Sigma Fraternity is hosting their Military Heroes 5K race, Saturday, March 31 at 7 a.m. at the Gulfside Pavilion. Look for a Vendor Village, Awards Ceremony, After Party, Raffle prizes. Enter at www.MilitaryHeroes5k.com and know that your fees will be benefitting veterans organizations.

The Pensacola Beach Community Church will host their annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 31 at 9 a.m. on the Church grounds. Plenty of eggs and prizes. Avenida 18 and Via de Luna. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Easter Eggstravaganza is Saturday, March 31 at 10 a.m. at Paradise Bar and Grill. The staff and the Easter Bunny have boiled eggs ready for dying and decorating, some fun crafts and a huge Easter Egg Hunt. Meet the Bunny. Some eggs are filled with money.

The Easter Crab will be hosting a Gulf front Easter Egg Hunt and Party Saturday, March 31 at 11 a.m. at Crab’s on Pensacola Beach. Located at the Casino Beach with the bright red roof. Face painting, Egg Hunt and lots of fun stuff. Bring your own Easter basket.

Sunrise Service at the Amphitheater at the Pensacola Beach Boardwalk will begin at 6 a.m. Sunday, April 1. The Beach Church invites everyone to this service. No charge to attend but a collection plate will be passed. to benefit Interfaith Ministries.

Sunrise Service at the Gulfside Pavilion is hosted by Coastline Calvary Church at 6 a.m. Sunday, April 1. Service and baptisms.

Our Lady of the Assumption Easter Mass will be Sunday, April 1 at 8 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. The Church is located at Via de Luna and Avenida 18.

The Beach Church Easter Service will be Sunday, April 1 at 10 a.m. at the Church located at Via de Luna and Avenida 18.

The NeoEndurance Race was held on the sands of Pensacola Beach, Saturday, February 24 with the Gulf Pier as the start/finish line. The first person to the finish line was Michael Lance of Pensacola.

The race, originally set for February 10 was rescheduled due to severe weather.

Jenny and Jonathan Sterns of Pensacola take off from the start line under the Gulf Pier to run the 5K distance of the NeoEndurance race on the sand, Saturday, February 24 on Pensacola Beach. The race is one of the few that is contested on the sand.

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The Pensacola Beach Community Church will host their annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 31 at 9 a.m. on the Church grounds. Plenty of eggs and prizes. Avenida 18 and Via de Luna. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Easter Eggstravaganza is Saturday, March 31 at 10 a.m. at Paradise Bar and Grill. The staff and the Easter Bunny have boiled eggs ready for dying and decorating, some fun crafts and a huge Easter Egg Hunt. Meet the Bunny. Some eggs are filled with money.

The Easter Crab will be hosting a Gulf front Easter Egg Hunt and Party Saturday, March 31 at 11 a.m. at Crab’s on Pensacola Beach. Located at the Casino Beach with the bright red roof. Face painting, Egg Hunt and lots of fun stuff. Bring your own Easter basket.

Sunrise Service at the Amphitheater at the Pensacola Beach Boardwalk will begin at 6 a.m. Sunday, April 1. The Beach Church invites everyone to this service. No charge to attend but a collection plate will be passed. to benefit Interfaith Ministries.

Sunrise Service at the Gulfside Pavilion is hosted by Coastline Calvary Church at 6 a.m. Sunday, April 1. Service and baptisms.

Our Lady of the Assumption Easter Mass will be Sunday, April 1 at 8 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. The Church is located at Via de Luna and Avenida 18.

Our Lady of the Assumption
Pensacola Beach

- Good Friday, March 30
  Stations of the Cross 6 pm

- Easter Sunday, April 1
  Mass 8 AM & 9:45 AM

St. Ann - Gulf Breeze

- Palm Sunday, March 25
  Palm Sunday Procession 1 PM

- Holy Thursday, March 29
  Mass 6:30 PM

- Good Friday, March 30
  Mass 3 PM

- Holy Saturday, March 31
  Easter Vigil Mass 7 PM

- Easter Sunday, April 1
  Mass 8:15 AM & 11 AM
  Egg Hunt, Pancake Breakfast after 8:15 Mass

Each Friday During Lent

Stations of the Cross
5 PM

Fish Fry Dinners
St. Ann 5 PM

Stations of the Cross
St. Ann & Our Lady 6PM

Please join us during Lent
Q: What Is A Good Malware Removal Program?
A: Many times I have checked customer’s computers that were being protected by popular antivirus programs only to find several malicious programs on them. The malware removal program that I use searches for those malicious programs and quarantines them. That program is named “Malwarebytes.”

It can also coexist with most other antivirus programs. Anything that Malwarebytes finds can safely be removed from the computer without having to make any decisions about whether or not to remove it. This is one of the best programs that I have found and one of the few that I would download from the Internet.

The program is distributed by a company that is also named Malwarebytes. It has been in use since 2006. It is compatible with Windows, MacOS and Android software. It can be downloaded free for home use, or it can be purchased. The free version only works when the user manually starts a scan. With the purchased version, the software actively monitors the computer in real time and runs scans on a preset schedule. The purchased version costs about $40 for a one-year subscription.

To get the software, download it directly from the company’s website (www.malwarebytes.com). To avoid being snagged by scammers, very careful to check the website name before downloading it. When the download is started, click “Save” to deliver it to the user’s Downloads folder. After it is saved there, click “Run” to finish installing it into the computer.

For the trial version, go to the “Settings” in Malwarebytes to deactivate the trial version and convert it to a free version. Run the program every few days to make sure the computer is free of malicious programs.

For the purchased version, register it with Malwarebytes and set up the scan schedule. Periodically check the Quarantine folder in Malwarebytes and delete everything that is in it.

This article was provided by Joe Stukey, of the Stukey Group. Contact Joe at jstukey@mchsi.com, by phone at 850-206-3156, or look Joe up on Facebook.

**Reef Modules Become Fish Sanctuaries**

Escambia County Marine Resources Division has completed the Natural Resource Damage Assessment-funded Phase 1 Artificial Reefs Construction project. One hundred and twenty-five pre-fabricated concrete artificial reef modules were deployed in 12 patch reef formations in the Old Casino Reef permitted artificial reef site in the Gulf of Mexico. The site is located approximately one nautical mile south of Casino Beach on Santa Rosa Island and approximately 10 nautical miles east of Pensacola Pass, at water depths of 55-65 feet.

**Book Club For Teens Discusses Paper Towns**

High School students are invited to check out the Bibliobabblers Teen Book Club at the Gulf Breeze Library, 1060 Shoreline Drive in Gulf Breeze. The Club meets Tuesday, March 27 at 6 p.m. to discuss “Paper Towns” by John Green.

“Paper Towns” debuted at #5 on the New York Times bestseller list and won the 2009 Edgar Award for Best Young Adult Mystery. It is taught in many high school and college curricular, often in conjunction with Whitman’s Leaves of Grass, which is an important text within the novel. The movie adaptation of Paper Towns was released in Summer 2015 starring Nat Wolff and Cara Delevingne, and directed by Jake Schreier.

Ninth through twelfth graders who are 14-18 years old can discuss the read-of-the-month with friends at the Gulf Breeze Library.

Bibliobabblers meets at 6 p.m. on the last Tuesday of every month. Find additional information at www.santarosa.fl.gov/libraries or call 850-981-7323.
**Beach Lifeguards Host Tryouts**

Pensacola Beach Lifeguards will host a tryout event Saturday, March 24 for individuals looking for a challenging, rewarding and exciting job with a starting pay of $14.57 per hour. The tryouts will take place at 9 a.m. at the University of West Florida Aquatic Center, located at 11000 University Parkway, Bldg. 72. Applicants are asked to arrive at least 15 minutes early and to bring all relevant certifications to the tryout event.

Position requirements for employment include:

- Able to swim 600 yards in a pool in 10 minutes or less
- Able to run 1.5 miles on a track in 12 minutes or less
- Be at least 16 years old
- Possess a valid driver’s license
- American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification is preferred

Attending and passing a tryout is required to be considered for employment. If you pass the physical tests in the allotted time and meet all of the other requirements, you will be scheduled for an interview. If selected to be hired, you will receive paid training. Training includes, but is not limited to, successfully passing 80 hours of open water training and emergency medical training.

For more information, contact Senior Lifeguard Alexander Johnson at 850-503-1799 or at adjohnson@myescambia.com.

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**Sharla Dawn Gorder**, a writer living on Santa Rosa Island, is the author of “My Vices Collide, A Celebration of Being a Little Messed Up.”

What a winter! But look at what the storms brought—all these broken treasures, delivered right to my bare feet on the beach in front of the house. It was up to me however, to gather them and make something beautiful with them.

I’m getting better at it, y’all, so much better since my own great storm. I can work with fragments and shards—pieces with the tops blasted off, shells cracked clean in two, slender slivers bleached white by the sun. I love the ones calcified and gray with age, the ones barely recognizable as seashells, the ones no tourist would touch.

You see, I like the broken ones. I know you’ve heard me say this before. It has become something of a personal motto for me: I like the broken ones—seashells and people. I, myself am a broken one. Broken clean open. And I hope to stay this way.

We are all, every one of us, messy mortals, and life breaks us all open. The challenge then, is to stay broken open—emphasis on “open.” The temptation, times of great despair or waywardness, is to try to fill those fissures and cracks with whatever is handy—substances, compulsions, busyness, drama. This is what I call being broken shut. And it nearly destroyed me.

Almost, but not quite. Years ago, I suffered a loss so crushing in a storm so fierce, I retreated into the darkness of addiction, where I cowered—broken shut. A second storm, just weeks later, smashed me open again, and scattered my fractured pieces far and wide, leaving only my core—what I call my “inner spiral of humanity,” much like the seashells in my wreath—exposed and vulnerable.

This time I made a wreath. Instead of hiding out, I reached out, and I’m still reaching—reaching to help and reaching to be helped. Because I now know, we are all broken open in some way, and I’d just as soon establish that common ground with you sooner than later. I am capable of loving you whether you show me your brokenness or not, but I can be your true and intimate friend only when you allow me to turn you over in my hand—in my heart—and see inside, past the fractured parts, to your lovely spiral of humanity.

Look at how every shell has a perfect place in my wreath, no matter how broken. This, I believe, is the essence of community, of fellowship, of brotherly love. We are all in this together. I’m glad.

**Sharla Dawn Gorder**
ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your soft-hearted self is drawn to a tempting offer. But your hard-headed half isn't so sure. Best advice: Do it only after every detail is checked out to your liking.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your inventive mind should help you find a way to get around an apparently impassable barrier and make yourself heard. Family matters also benefit from your more positive attitude.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're enjoying this creative period. But by midweek, you'll need to emphasize your more pragmatic talents as you consider a risky but potentially lucrative move.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An unexpected rejection could turn into something positive if you pocket your pride and ask for advice on how you can make changes that will make the difference.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your Lion's heart gives you the courage to push for answers to a job-related situation. Stay with it. You'll soon find more believers coming out the ranks of the doubters.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your curiosity pays off this week as you push past the gossip to find the facts. What you ultimately discover could lead you to make some changes in your plans.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A new sense of enthusiasm helps get you out of on-the-job doldrums and back into a productive phase. Family and work-related projects get swamped. Take a breather now and again.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) If you feel the need to take more time to study a situation before making a decision, do so. Don't let anyone push you into acting until you're ready.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) As the Great Advice Giver, the Goat really shines this week as family and friends seek your wisdom. Someone especially close to you might make a surprising request.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Spiritual concerns dominate part of the week before more worldly matters demand your attention. An old promise resurfaces with some surprises attached.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're in a highly productive period and are eager to finish all the projects you’ve taken on. But don’t let yourself get swamped. Take a breather now and again.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for learning new things quickly and applying your knowledge to best advantage where needed.

Strange but true...by Samantha Weaver

It was English novelist Eric Arthur Blair -- better known by his pen name, George Orwell -- who made the following sage observation: "During times of universal deceit, telling the truth becomes a revolutionary act." ******

While his wife, Abigail, was ill, President John Adams stayed with her for seven months at their home in Boston -- that's the longest any president has been away from the capital. ******

Are you a cacographer? You may not be, but if you spend any time at all online you've certainly run across a few. A cacographer is someone who can't quite grasp the rules of spelling. ******

This might be a good time for a reminder of an obscure New Orleans law: In that city, it is illegal to curse at a firefighter while he or she is engaged in official duties. ******

It was in 1943 that Thomas Watson, who was then the chairman of International Business Machines (better known now as IBM), made the following public statement: "I think there is a world market for maybe five computers." ******

The English word "velvet" comes from a Latin term that means "shaggy hair." ******

You might already know that actor Mel Gibson grew up in Australia, but you might not know how he ended up there. He was actually born in New York, where he lived with his parents. The Vietnam War was going on, though, and his parents were afraid Mel would be drafted. After winning on "Jeopardy," they used the money to move to Australia.

Thought for the Day: "The simplest questions are the most profound. Where were you born? Where is your home? Where are you going? What are you doing? Think about these once in a while and watch your answers change." -- Richard Bach

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How is the Lionfish Program Going?
As we approach the National Invasive Species Awareness Week (NISAW) it is a good time to re-examine how the management of one of the biggest concerns in the marine environment is going – the lionfish.

Most of us have heard of this problematic invasive fish. Some probably have consumed it at one of the local events or restaurants, but are our management efforts working?

Honestly, it is hard to say for sure. Several different invasive managers and researchers say different things, but most agree that to effectively manage an invasive species you need to remove a minimum of 25 percent of the population annually. The earlier you get on the problem, the more successful you will be in eradicating it from your area. This has been a problem for the management of Lionfish.

1) We do not know how many lionfish are in our area. There is research indicating the density of them – the number of lionfish per square meter – but not an exact number. So we have no idea if the number we are removing each year is enough.

2) We jumped on this problem too late to eradicate – we are definitely in “control mode” with this fish.

Are the tournaments working?
Well, there certainly are tournaments in the area. We know how many are reported at each tournament and from my numbers – I would say from a large tournament, like the Lionfish Removal and Awareness Day in Pensacola, 5,000 – 10,000 fish in a weekend is a fair number. Of course, the weather has a lot to do with the success of an event like this. Multiply this randomly selected number by the number of tournaments and you can get a rough idea.

One study out of Dauphin Island Sea Lab suggest that the tournaments are very effective at removing fish from dived reefs – another one out of REEF in Key Largo, suggest that as many as 70 percent of the lionfish are removed during these tournaments. But, these studies also note that many of the “cleaned reefs” are re-populated within a few months, and not just by drifting larva – adults are found there. This suggest that adults are moving from nearby reefs to recolonize. This also suggest that in order for these tournaments to be the key part of the management plan, there needs to be more of them – possible one every three months.

Ecotourism?
What about the idea of promoting lionfish hunting to the diving tourist?
It is currently happening. However, many of the relatively shallow water reefs frequented by dive charters are “clean” (fewer lionfish). They, and the general public, frequent these reefs often enough to keep them under control. Businesses will need to market these trips in this fashion – they are not going to find the hordes of lionfish they have seen on the internet. However, there are still lionfish at deep locations (deeper than 200 feet) where the charters are not willing to take tourists. These are possibly the source of the recolonization. And so this tool in the toolbox has been effective in keeping shallow reefs clear of lionfish.

Promoting as a commercial fish product?
Many… you purchase a saltwater products license and sell your catch. There are local divers who are doing this. Statewide, this effort has been improving over time. There has been an increase in the number of dealers, commercial harvesters, annual trips, counties participating, price, and… the number of lionfish sold since 2011. However, there was a slight decline in all categories between 2016 and 2017 – not sure why.

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Audubon Organizes Field Trip and Bird Walk at Fort Pickens

The Francis M. Weston Chapter of the Audubon Society is hosting two complimentary birding events at Fort Pickens on Pensacola Beach.

Mark your calendar for a Free Field Trip with the FMW Audubon Society, Saturday, April 14 at 7:30 a.m.

There will be a Free Bird Walk with the FMW Audubon Society at Battery Worth in Fort Pickens, Saturday, April 21, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Attendees for the Field Trip and the Bird Walk should meet at Park West which is the last parking lot before you enter Ft. Pickens, on the north side of the road.

There is a fee to the Fort Pickens area, so trip organizers will try to create carpools with “park pass holders” to save on fees.

For more information, please visit FMWAudubon.org

Flutter Over To Butterfly House To Volunteer

The Panhandle Butterfly House, located in Navarre Park on Santa Rosa Sound at the foot of the Navarre Bridge, is seeking seasonal volunteers to serve as tour guides. Butterfly house tours are usually scheduled Monday through Wednesday mornings.

Volunteers work in teams, educating visitors on the biology and habitat of butterflies and their importance in our ecosystem.

New volunteers are paired with seasoned tour guides to learn the ropes.

The 2018 tour guide training will be held at the Navarre Visitor’s Center, 8543 Navarre Parkway in Navarre, Friday, March 23 from 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Applicants must register by Monday, March 19 by contacting Mary Salinas at maryd@sanatarosa.fl.gov.

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Adopt a pet from the Escambia County Animal Shelter (www.PetHarbor.com) or the Pensacola Humane Society www.pensacolahuman.org

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10: McGuire’s Prediction Run in Pensacola. 9 a.m. 5K certified course. www.mcguresirishpub.com/race-info
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11: School of the Soldier, Ft. Pickens, 11 a.m. Meet at Ft. Pickens Bookstore. 850-934-2600, www.nps.gov/guis
13: Pensacola Beach Optimist Club Meeting & Speaker Series. 6 p.m. Beach Church Fellowship Hall. sundstr8@aol.com
14: SRIA meeting, 5 p.m. #1 Via de Luna. Open to the public. Agendas available at www.sria-fla.com
15: Beach Chamber Member Meeting. 7:30 a.m. Breakfast, 8 a.m. Meeting. Our Lady of the Assumption Hunt Hall. Guest pass, 850-932-1500. PensacolaBeachChamber.com
15: Fashion with a Twist, Pensacola Beach Woman’s Club fashion show and fundraiser. 11 a.m. Skopelos. $25 per ticket. 850-207-0462
17: Front Line on the Coastline, Ft. Pickens, 11 a.m. Meet at Battery Cooper for this 30 minute program. 850-934-2600, www.nps.gov/guis
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20: Bookmobile, 10:30 a.m. Casino Beach parking lot. https://mywpl.com/borrow/bookmobile
20: Pensacola Beach Chamber Business After Hours at Shaggy’s. Guest passes available by calling 850-932-1500. Pensacolabeachchamber.com
24: Ocean Hour Clean Ups. Fort Pickens in Gulf Islands National Seashore. 8:45 a.m. Clean up from 9-10 a.m. For location check, Oceanhourfl.com. Facebook.com/oceanhourfl. 850-450-1112
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30: Operation Song: A Veteran Celebration. Pensacola Beach Songwriters & AHERO. Songwriting festival, seminars, performances. PensacolaBeachSongfest.com
31: Pensacola Beach Community Church Easter Egg Hunt, 9 a.m. www.TheBeachChurch.com

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**Sea Turtles**

The PBA Beachkeepers toured the Navarre Sea Turtle Conservation Center recently. Beachkeepers partners with the Center to bring awareness of how we impact the other species that share our beaches and waters.

**Short Term Rentals**

The Governmental Affairs Committee is researching common sense controls for Short Term Rentals that exist in similar communities. Some regulations already exist statewide. Leaseholders who are considering using their homes as Vacation Rentals should be aware that the State of Florida requires you to license these properties. If you are renting an entire unit more than three times in a calendar year for periods of less than 30 days or 1 calendar month, whichever is less, or if it’s advertised or held out to the public as a place regularly rented to guests, you must license it with the Division of Hotels and Restaurants. You must license it with the Division of Hotels and Restaurants. You must display all current licenses or copies of licenses in a conspicuous place on the premises.

Some of the state's requirements are:

1. Keep the unit clean, safe and in good physical condition.
2. If provided, bedding and linens must be clean, unworn and properly stored. Size mattress pads, bed sheets and blankets appropriately to the mattress or bed so that the entire sleeping area of the mattress is covered. Sheets and pillowcases must be in good condition, and cleaned and changed between each guest or once a week, whichever occurs first. Bedding items, such as mattresses, comforters and pillows must be thoroughly aired, disinfected and kept clean.
3. If provided, make soap available either in individually wrapped bars or as liquid soap in a dispenser.
4. Baby cribs provided to guests must meet safety standards established by the Consumer Products Safety Commission.
5. If you provide dishes and glassware, you must sanitize all of them between guests, or post signs informing your guests that you have NOT sanitized them.
6. Keep the establishment free of vermin.
7. Install smoke detectors in every living unit. Specialized smoke detectors for the hearing impaired must be available at a rate of one per every fifty rental units or fraction thereof.
8. The electrical system must be proper and safe. Do not use extension cords.
9. All units must comply with the requirements of NFPA 101, the Life Safety Code.

**Meet The Candidates**

The PBA also intends to invite all candidates running for offices in our district to a “Meet the Candidates” event in April. With multiple candidates running for the District 4 seat of the Board of County Commissioners, and the candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives seat, we hope to give island voters a chance to talk with candidates about issues that are important to us.

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**FALL ELECTIONS**

Two familiar names will likely be on your ballot in November. Both Dale Perkins, ECUA Board member in District 4, and Dr. Thomas Campanella, elected SRIA Board member, answered “yes” when Island Times asked if they were interested in retaining their elected positions.

**FAMOUS FELLOW**

Lektric Mullet fans already know that Ricky Lee Phelps is retired from a stellar music career. They count themselves lucky to hear him play on Sundays at the Shaker. His former band, The Kentucky Headhunters earned another distinction. “Paste Magazine” released their list of the top 50 all time best Southern Rock albums. Sliding in at number 48 was the Kentucky Headhunters’ Pickin on Nashville, which was released in 1989. The list put the Allman Brothers Band’s At Fillmore East in the top spot.

**COOL**

Congrats to Olympian Mia Manganello from Crestview, who earned a bronze medal in women’s Team Pursuit speed skating.
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Never Hurts To Tri ..........

By Charles Gheen
USAT Certified Race Director
Santa Rosa Island Triathlon

Beach Girl Tackles Texas

Pensacola Beach’s Elizabeth Waters Hewson (“Liz”) has been known for being an excellent swimmer for most of her life. She is also known for her enthusiasm and for being extremely passionate when she gets focused on something no matter what it is. Based on her recent burst of tough road races, distance running is, obviously, one of those passions.

Liz has run in numerous competitions over the years, but started getting really serious a few years back. She had a nice race in the 2016 Double Bridge Run and followed that up later in the year with a gutsy effort in the Pensacola Marathon. She ran most of that event with an awful (and large) blister on her foot. How large was it? Put your forefinger and thumb together and you get the idea. A few bandages and 16 miles later she crossed the Finish Line in a respectable time.

She splits her time between the Beach and Fort Worth and continued her training in Texas. After working hard for months, she went on a tear in mid-January. That weekend she ran a half-marathon. The following weekend she set a new personal record (PR) in the marathon. Another half-marathon followed the next weekend. Seven days later she completed a 15K (9.3 miles) event.

That’s right, Liz ran four distance races in four consecutive weeks! It makes my legs tired just thinking about it. However, she was far from done and resting on her laurels. She took a few weeks to get ready and then took on the Cowtown Ultra 50K in Fort Worth. How far is 50K you ask? It’s 31 miles although her GPS read “31.5” by the time she finished.

Starting off with good patience, Liz maintained a nice, steady pace for most of the marathon distance of 26.2 miles. There were a few issues along the way, but she soldiered on. The last, almost-five miles she was determined and crossed the Finish Line smiling I am sure. Congratulations Liz, we are proud of you and we can’t wait to see you back here on Santa Rosa Island!

Weekend Roundup

The February 24-25 weekend was great for running in Northwest Florida! There were three races on the same day and, from my perspective as a Race Director, it was more lunacy with an overly-crowded race calendar. Fortunately, it all worked out for the best with three very successful races being held in almost the same timeframe.

Glow Run

The Pensacola Beach Glow Run 5K was on our beautiful island and had over 1,200 people show up to participate. Although there was some competition, I can’t really call it a race as it’s more of a parade. It was for a very good cause, however, and I am sure it raised a lot of money for Catholic Charities. They are a worthy not-for-profit who does many good things. Additionally, the event prompted a very large number of people to get off their couches on Saturday evening, get outside at the beach and do some beneficial exercise. That’s a very positive accomplishment.

I Pink I Can

Meanwhile, over on Perdido Key, the 5th Annual I Pink I Can 4-Mile Run was put on by the Krewe Du YaYas. It was quite hot for the 9 a.m. start, but over 700 people were registered. This was 200 more than in 2017 and resulted in a fantastic contribution for breast cancer research and related activities. An awesome celebration with a band followed so the large group could enjoy the event’s success even more.

Bay To Breakfast

At Big Lagoon State Park the Pensacola Runners Association (PRA) had almost 250 runners and walkers for their Bay To Breakfast 8K Trail Run. If you haven’t participated in this event, you’re missing out. The race starts out on a paved road and then turns into the woods. Several parts of this course are a classic trail run, but the majority of it is beach sand with various trees and bushes along the way. There is a series of small mounds along the way and it’s really tough to maintain your pace the entire course. Finally, you come out of the woods, you hit the paved road again, there’s the Finish Line and you’re done. Each time I’ve run it, it’s been quite an experience and I’ve been elated to complete the course.

The PRA has a great breakfast to go along with the awards ceremony. All in all, it’s a very pleasant morning out in a scenic, natural setting. I’m sure most of Northwest Florida has not been out to this State Park situated on the Intracoastal Waterway or is even fully aware of it. It’s an eye-opening, pleasant surprise for those who participate in this race and I invite you to try it in 2019. Congratulations to the PRA for another great event.

Eva Wise, Northwest Florida Catholic Charities Assistant Executive Director, left and Linda Schuett at the Fifth Annual Glow Run, February 24. The pre-race festivities include a dance show, a Rumba class and costume contest at the Gulfside Pavilion on Pensacola Beach. Catholic Charities hosts the event to benefit their public assistance programs.

Pensacola Beach’s Liz Hewson on her way to the Finish Line of the Cowtown Ultra Marathon, February 25 in Fort Worth, Texas.

Getting ready to glow at the rare night time 5K are Angie Carter, left, and Naima Haviland. The friends were decked out in flashing glasses and purple sparkle wigs to participate in the Fifth Annual Glow Run, February 24 to benefit Catholic Charities. In the background are volunteers from Naval Air Station Pensacola who provide support along the race course.
It's early evening on a Sunday, February 25 and I just got back from a fantastic day on the beach! It was supposed to rain today, but I had a chance to meet up with a friend and catch up so I took a chance and it paid off. Not only did I get to enjoy the day with no rain but I had terrific company and pretty good fishing, too. I landed a nice Black Drum and three Pompano.

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