Apalachicola Downtown Oyster Roast

Ticket are on sale now at the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce for the Apalachicola Downtown Oyster Roast on November 6th 2015. Limited number of tickets are available so get yours now. Call us at 850-653-9419 to purchase your tickets today. $60.00 per person

Business Luncheon & Business After Hours

Friday September 18th
Sanders & Duncan P.A.
Attorneys at Law
80 Market St.

Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce September Newsletter

September Monthly Business Luncheon

Wednesday October 7th
Red Pirate Family Grill & Oyster Bar
236 Hwy 98
Eastpoint
Noon

If you or your business is interested in hosting a Business Luncheon or a Business After Hours in 2015, please feel free to call the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce at 850-653-9419 or email John C. Solomon at excdirector@apalachicolabay.org

Visitor Statistics
July

July 2002 1,185
July 2003 1,196
July 2004 1,245
July 2005 1,198
July 2006 1,913
July 2007 2,814
July 2008 2,690
July 2009 2,923
July 2010 1,292
July 2011 3,055
July 2012 2,709
July 2013 2,712
July 2014 2,196
July 2015 1,368

Events

SGI Lighthouse Full Moon Climb
August 29, 2015 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)
Climb to the top of the Cape St. George Lighthouse to watch the sunset and the rise of the full moon. The Sunset/Full Moon Climb includes light hors d'oeuvres and a sparkling cider toast to the full moon. Cost is $15.00 for the general public and $10.00 for members of the St. George Lighthouse Association. After sunset, people are invited to climb to the top of the lighthouse for a breathtaking view of the full moon, as space and time permit. Cost is $10.00 for the general public and $5.00 for SGLA members. Because space is limited, reservations are recommended. For reservations or more information, please contact the Lighthouse Gift Shop at 850-927-7745.

WWII Museum Movie Theatre
Saturday at 1015 hours, August 29, 2015

This is one of the all-time great classic movies of its genre. Unlike most Hollywood movies that use historical events as backgrounds for sappy and insipid love stories, the main "character" of this movie is the event itself. For the Battle of Guadalcanal is one of the key battles in all of history. This momentous event, which took place at the same time the Soviet Union was battling the Germans at Stalingrad, marked the end of Japanese expansion in the south Pacific and the beginning of the process that would lead to Japan's ultimate defeat. It should also be noted that the Battle for Guadalcanal was entirely an American operation, fought several thousands miles away from home and against an impeccable enemy that had months, if not years, to prepare their defenses. Moreover, this battle took place just months after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. The acting is great, the story compelling and is all-in-all a movie that is definitely worth watching.

Admission is by donation, and appreciated. This film is one in a series shown monthly to educate our visitors on the sacrifices made, for us, by our WWII generation. Free popcorn will be served.

New Members

Disaster Response Team (DRT)

Disaster Response Team is a full service restoration company that helps residential and commercial customers restore their properties after disasters of all kinds. Simply put, we help put people's lives back together! Whether you need damage restoration services, emergency clean-up or complete reconstruction, Disaster Response Team (DRT) understands our customer's need for fast, reliable service 24 hours a day/7 days a week.

Harmony Bath & Beauty Academy

Being a soap maker is cool! I've been in love since I made my 1st batch and you can do it too! Planning and preparation, plus basic safety instructions are taught at Harmony Bath & Body Academy. You will go back home with 1 lb of soap that you helped make yourself...is that cool or what? Small classes allow you to receive one on one instructions and advice. Whether you want to be a hobbyist and make handmade soap for your family and friends, or whether you think you may actually go into business selling soap, this is the class for you!

Classes are taught only once weekly and are limited to 6 people, so contact me now.

Avg. Session Duration
00:02:43

Bounce Rate
52.91%

% New Sessions
73.60%

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Got Ideas? Suggestions?

How can the Apalachicola Bay Chamber better serve you?
Is there something that we can do better to help your business?
Is there something you would like to see us add or change on the
website, at the visitor's center or in the visitors' guide?
If you would like to be a volunteer with the Apalachicola Bay
Chamber of Commerce.
Ideas are always welcome. Feel free to call or email us with your
ideas at info@apalachicolabay.org.

if you're interested in having fun and
expressing your creative self. Private
lessons are also available.
Sandi Garrett Little (205)706-4986

Bowery Station is Opening!
September 7, 2015 6:00 PM - 8:00
PM (ET)
Bowery Station is Opening! So let's
Party! Come out and see Bo Springs
Band from 6-8pm.

IGGY ART @ Bowery
Station

Located at 252 Water St. in Apalachicola,
Iggy Art @ Bowery Station is the Gallery
and Studio of Artist Jenny Odom known for
her Whimsical, colorful paintings of dogs,
birds, people and more.

The Shoppes of Coastal
Cabins

Owned by Terri Hayes The Shoppes of
Coastal Cabins are located at 310 Reid Ave
in Port St. Joe. They sell nautical, beach,
and cabin decor, one of a kind antiques, and
artisan artwork, carvings, furniture, soaps
and candles. 850-229-2999

The Carrabelle History
Museum and Historical
Society presents: "Early
People of the Forgotten
Coast: 1500 to 1800"

on Saturday, September 12th. Our
three speakers will cover 300 years of
local history in three hours! Dr.
Madeline Carr, Dr. Joe Kentsch and
James Levy are walking encyclopedias
of Florida History.

Our spring program covered the first
people to inhabit our coast. This
program will pick up where we left off.
covering a time when Europeans were
exploring our state, remaining Native
Americans were learning to trade and
work with them, and African Americans
were seeking safe havens. Starting with
the Spaniards arriving in St. Marks, to
the destruction of the colony at the old
British fort on the Apalachicola River,
our guest experts will introduce us to
some fascinating characters.

An exhibit of black powder weapons
used during that time period will be on
display and ship wreck artifact
conservator James Levy will be
available to answer questions about his
impressive collection.

This free program will be held from 10
am to 2 pm on Saturday at the Franklin
County Senior Center in Carrabelle
located at 201 NW Avenue F. It is
sponsored by the Franklin County
Public Library, the Apalachicola
Municipal Library and funded in part by
Carrabelle CARES, the City of
Carrabelle and the Franklin County
Tourist Development Council.

For More Information contact:
Carrabelle History Museum 850-697-
2141 or Tamara Allen 850-524-1153.

Rio Carrabelle

Rio Carrabelle, located in an historic two
story brick building in downtown
Carrabelle at 102 St. James Ave.
is an art gallery, a photo studio, a music
venue, and a center for cultural and civic
events. The gallery presents four major
exhibits each year, each featuring local and
regional artists. Rio Carrabelle is a
supporter of the Carrabelle Artist
Association, the Artist of Apalachicola
Area and also participates in the Forgotten
Coast Plein Air event with a special exhibit
each spring.
riocarrabelle@gmail.com

Franklin County Coastal
Cleanup
Saturday Sept. 19th 2015 8:30-11:30am

Mediacom Communications is the nation's eighth largest cable television company based on the number of basic video subscribers, and among the leading cable operators focused on serving the smaller cities and towns in the United States. Our service areas have a significant concentration in the Midwest and Southern regions. Provides Internet / Phone / TV / Home Security for this area.

National Estuaries Day
It's all about the Bay on Sept 25 as the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve (ANERR) celebrates National Estuaries Day at its Nature/Visitor Center in Eastpoint. The festivities will run from 1:30-6 p.m. and will feature family-friendly activities, touch tanks, fun and educational games. The Visitor Center is located near the St. George Island Bridge at 108 Island Drive, Eastpoint.

Heritage Dinner
Friday Sept. 25th
The Apalachicola Municipal Library and Apalachicola Area Historical Society will host a Heritage Dinner on September 25. New York Times Bestselling Author Karen White will be the featured guest. The event will be held at the Robert Lindsley Gallery in Apalachicola. The evening of local cuisine, wine and literature, will also feature a special unveiling of Apalachicola's new library design and the kickoff of the project's capital fundraising campaign.

CGJM: National Museum Day
Saturday Sept. 26th
This marks the ninth consecutive year that the Camp Gordon Johnston WWII Museum has been asked to participate in the Smithsonian Magazine's Annual National Museum Day. The museum is located in the Carrabelle Municipal Complex, at 1001 Gray Ave., Carrabelle, Florida. We will be welcoming visitors from 10 A.M. until 4 P.M. Come view our ever-growing exhibits. Our gift shop will be open all day. Hear live music and enjoy free refreshments!

As always, admission is by donation. You can learn more about the Camp Gordon Johnston WWII Museum and download directions at www.campgordonjohnston.com. For further information on National Museum Day, please visit Smithsonianmagazine.com/museumday.
For Veterans and Military Service Members

On September 22nd at 8:30-4:00 Gulf Franklin Campus is offering a one day introduction to entrepreneurship course for veterans & military service members. Come out and learn how to get and operate a successful business. Contact Quen Lamb at 850-227-9670 Ext. 6 or email him at qlamb@vboc.org

Education Encore

Education Encore, offered by the Corporate College Department at Gulf State College, provides non-credit enrichment classes for active adults on topics ranging from Yoga to the History of World War II, Creative Writing to Acrylic Painting. Classes Start at the Gulf / Franklin Campus September 23rd. Contact Quen Lamb at 850-227-9670 Ext. 6 or email him at qlamb@vboc.org

Whatever Floats Your Boat Regatta

Saturday October 3rd
It's time once again for you to challenge your friends, your family, and your colleagues to build boats out of stuff that any normal person would take to the dump and enter them in the Whatever Floats Your Boat Regatta at the Florida State University Coastal and Marine Laboratory. Boats can be as artistic or as ugly as you want to make them. Just build 'em and they will float . . . more or less.

You landlubbers will be busy ashore cheering on the captains and crews of these outrageously constructed vessels as they sail, row, or scull around the course, topple over, or slowly sink into Apalachee Bay. Watch the Regatta from various shoreline vantage points around the lab on either side of the boat basin. Enjoy good food, have loads of fun, all while learning about recycling and how to reduce the impact of plastics in our marine environments.

St.Joe PATIO

Fall into savings with our golf cart rentals for beach or street use. We are offering up to 25% off of rental prices. Prices good no thru October 2015 850-229-1000

Annual Heritage Dinner

Hosted by Apalachicola Municipal Library and Apalachicola Area Historical Society

Annual Heritage Dinner, hosted by the Apalachicola Municipal Library and the Apalachicola Area Historical Society. Special Speaker Karen White, New York Times Bestselling author, whose forthcoming book will be set in
Apalachicola. Food for this year's dinner will come from the kitchens of Apalach and will be inspired by recipes from the Philaco Club Cookbooks (dating back to the 1920s). Dinner guests will be treated to a showing of new library images, hot off the presses. A capital campaign to raise funds for the library will also be discussed. Seating is limited and the event is expected to sell out. Tickets will be sold at the library (653-8436) or at the Chamber Office (653-9419).