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Florida's Oldest Chamber of Commerce (circa 1836)

Meetings

Monthly Business Luncheon

Wednesday, July 6th
Caroline's River Dining
 123 Water Street.
 Apalachicola
 Noon

Business After Hours

Thursday, July 14th
Eastpoint Medical Center
 158 US Hwy 98
 Eastpoint
 5:30-7:00

August Monthly Business Luncheon

Wednesday, August 3rd
Red Pirate Family Bar & Grill
 236 US Hwy 98
 Eastpoint
 Noon

Visitor Statistics

May 2004 1,234
 May 2005 1,526
 May 2006 1,535

Membership renewals are due on July 1st

Invoices to all current Chamber members were mailed out last month. Membership dues for the 2016-2017 year are due on or by July 1st 2016. The Chamber is now using a invoice system to help us better serve our members. If you did not receive your invoice and would like us to email it to you please contact us info@apalachicolabay.org or call us at 653-9419.

If you are not a current member and would like to join the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce email John at execdirector@apalachicolabay.org



Chamber News



Sponsors



Events

*Downtown Apalachicola
 Independence Eve Celebration*

May 2007 2,046
 May 2008 2,437
 May 2009 1,715
 May 2010 2,389
 May 2011 2,228
 May 2012 2,226
 May 2013 2,490
 May 2014 1,883
 May 2015 1,345
 May 2016 1,058

Website Stats May 2016

Sessions
17,470

Users
14,550

Pageviews
51,552

Pages / Session
2.95

Avg. Session Duration
00:02:38

% New Sessions
78.21%

% New Sessions
75.66%

Board of Directors

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Executive Director

John C. Solomon
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Got Ideas? Suggestions?

Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce Bass Tournament

July 9th & 10th

The Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce Bass Tournament will be held July 9th & 10th at Abercrombie landing in Apalachicola. Entry forms and rules are available at the Chamber office at 122 Commerce St. in Apalachicola or you can request them by email from exccdirector@apalachicolabay.org
 If you are interested in joining us as a sponsor for the Bass Tournament, contact us at exccdirector@apalachicolabay.org or call 850-653-9419

Big Bass Sponsor



Sponsor



New Members

Captain JB Charters

Join Capt JB for some great fun, fishing in the Apalachicola bay! Whether just for sport or for tonight's dinner, fishing is always a good time. With Capt JB at the wheel, you're only a short ride away from the fishing experience of a lifetime! If relaxing in the water, swimming with the fish, or taking beautiful photos is your thing, Capt JB knows plenty of good places. So kick back, relax and enjoy the scenery on a gorgeous Eco Tour.

Daly's Watersports

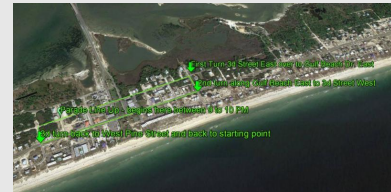
If you're passionate about boating, diving, or snorkeling - or want to experience these thrills for the first time - Daly's offers all the excitement of the ocean playground. So don't hesitate to call us - we will happily answer all your questions about our services or other offerings in the area to help make your vacation a great time!



July 3, 2016 4:00 PM - 11:00 PM (ET)

If you just can't wait for July 4th, join the thousands of people who come from near and far to celebrate our Independence, a little ahead of everyone else in America, on Independence Eve! Riverfront Park, on Water Street in downtown Apalachicola, is the place to be! For the fifth year in a row, the community is combining its resources for a July 3 spectacular, culminating in a stunning fireworks display over the Apalachicola River. Enjoy food, beverages, great live music, a parade, free ice cream, veterans tribute, the national anthem, face painting, and other activities. More details to be announced soon!

St. George Island 4th of July Parade



4th of July SGI Parade begins at 10:00am. Lineup at 9 am along West Pine Street between 2nd and 3d Street West. The route will go along Pine Street to East Pine and 3d Street East to East Gulf Beach Dr. to West Gulf Drive and 3d Street West and back to West Pine to the start. The parade will be about 1 and a half miles this year and remain within the business district.

4th of July Freedom Fest



Monday, July 4, 2016 68 West Gorrie Drive, St. George Island, FL 32329
www.blueparrotsgi.com
 Come celebrate our great countries spirit of freedom and independence. Watch the greatest fireworks display on the Island from the Blue Parrot decks.

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?
Would like to be a volunteer with the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce.
Ideas and volunteers are always welcome. Feel free to call or email us with your ideas at execdirector@apalachicolabay.org.

Business Luncheons and Business After Hours

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 execdirector@apalachicolabay.org

Tri- State Life Safety Systems

Tri-State Life Safety and Electric Systems, Inc. is a nationwide company that can provide all of your commercial and residential security needs. Our services include: 24 Hour Monitoring and Service, Burglar Alarm Systems, Fire Alarm Systems, Camera Systems, Access System, and Telecommunications Cabling. We are licensed and insured and we want to help you protect your family and your most valued assets. Florida License No. EC13003926

MosquitoNix

If your goal is to be able to enjoy your outdoor living space while balancing your budget, our QuickNix Mosquito Treatment is for you. We zap all mosquitos on site and distribute several types of granules to push them and their diseases far away from your property. We offer the most comprehensive solution in the market - three very thorough steps that we repeat every twenty-one days.

This method is so effective, studies performed showed a reduction in mosquitos of 90%+ during the first week of treatment with a gradual drop off over a three-week period. You won't find that from anyone else in the market. Our service is apples to oranges to what else is available in the market.

Salty Charters Florida

Salty Charters offers a variety of fishing trips and tours aboard a beautiful 24' Glasstream. Enjoy inshore fishing in our bays, offshore fishing, family friendly sightseeing trips, eco and river tours or romantic sunset cruises. If you are planning a vacation to the Forgotten Coast, contact us to book your trip!

Forgotten Coast Fly Company

Forgotten Coast Fly Company is a technical fly shop located in Apalachicola, Florida. We provide the fly fishing community with fly tying material and

Have a delicious fresh seafood dinner while the sky lights up. Enjoy drinks from the Tiki Bar while the crowd oooohs and aaahs. Music and fun.

Apalachicola Farmers Market



Saturday, July 9th 9am-1pm
Saturday, July 23rd 9am-1pm
Located at the Mill Pond Pavilion at 479 Market St. in Apalachicola come out to get Local seafood, produce, honey, homemade breads, pies, jewelry, art and other regional specialties offered every 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month from 9 AM until 1 PM. If you or someone you know offers home grown or hand made products, and is interested in becoming a vendor, please email apalachicolafarmersmarket@gmail.com

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Full Moon Climb at the Cape St. George Lighthouse

tools as well as American made rods, reels, line and merchandise.

Associate Members

Terry Martin

Terry lives in Carrabelle and is retired from state law enforcement. Terry has lived in Franklin County since 2001. He is currently a candidate for Sheriff of Franklin County.

Teresa Ann Martin

Mrs. Martin resides in Apalachicola. She is a member of the Franklin County School Board representing District 4.

Rhonda Millender Skipper

Mrs. Skipper resides in Carrabelle and is the Franklin County Property Appraiser. She will be starting her second term as Property Appraiser starting January 2017.

Member News

Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting



Forgotten Coast Fly Company will be having a grand opening & Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting on Friday, July 1st 4:00pm-6:00pm



Monday, July 19th, 2016 2 East Gulf Beach Drive, St. George Island, FL 32328
www.stgeorgelight.org/
 Climb to the top of the lighthouse to see spectacular views of the sunset and full moon. Light refreshments are served. Admission charge. Contact Gift Shop at 850-927-7745 for reservations.

19th Annual St. George Island Sizzler 5K Race & One Mile Fun Run



August 6, 2016 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)
 Saturday, August 6, 2016 - The St. George Island Sizzler 5K Race & One Mile Fun Run is an annual event sponsored by the Tate's Hell Track Club. All proceeds benefit the Franklin County Humane Society. 2016 will be our 19th year. After the race, enjoy a Post Race Party with fresh seafood & beverages at St. George Lighthouse Park with live music by Debi Jordan. On-site registration & packet pickup begins at 4:00pm at St. George Lighthouse Park. The One Mile Fun Run begins at 6:30pm and the 5K Race begins at 7:00pm. Post Race Party and awards at St. George Lighthouse Park at 7:30pm. Discounts for military personnel and school cross country teams. For more info and pre-registration information visit: www.stgeorgeislandsizzler.com Phone: 850-509-2191
 Email: info@stgeorgeislandsizzler.com

Hong Kong Bistro

The Hong Kong Bistro is having a summer promotion where if you spend \$30 or more you will receive a coupon for \$3 off your next purchase, valid for 2 weeks after purchase. So, stop by to dine-in, or order out for pick-up and delivery. (Some restrictions may apply)

Aqua Force

July special for Aqua Force: Exterior Window Cleaning 15% off when we clean 10 or more windows! We also offer FREE roof cleaning demos. Let us reveal the true beauty of your roof! Call us for an appointment 850-381-1527 or visit us online at GetTheForce.com

APALACHICOLA RESEARCH RESERVE HOSTS FREE SEA TURTLE TALKS

Learn about the behavior and biology of these endangered species, and what you can do to make their nesting season successful

Every Wednesday in July and August
2 - 3 p.m.

Apalachicola National Estuarine
Research Reserve Nature Center
108 Island Dr.
Eastpoint, FL 32328

Registration is not required, but seating is limited. For more information, call 850-670-7700 or email gibby.conrad@dep.state.fl.us.

ANERR will have a weekly "Turtle Talk" where you can learn more about our sea turtle visitors. The Turtle Talk presentation will be given each Wednesday throughout the summer to provide vacationers and residents with multiple opportunities to attend. Check the dates below to see if a Turtle Talk will fit into your schedule. Please call (850)- 670-7700 for more information. The talks are free and family-friendly

so everyone can join us to learn more
about these incredible animals!

July	6	13	20	27	
August	3	10	17	24	31

*The Apalachicola Bay Chamber of
Commerce & Visitor Center is a
Certified Travel Information Center*



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