



June 2017

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Meetings

Monthly Business Luncheon

Wednesday, June 7th
First United Methodist
Church
75 5th St
Apalachicola
Noon



Business After Hours

Thursday, June 15th
Bottom's Up
Grand Opening and Ribbon
Cutting
76 Market St
Apalachicola
5:30pm - 7:00pm

Thursday, June 29th
Taylor's Building Supply

2017-2018 Membership Dues



Invoices to all current Chamber members were mailed out last month. Membership dues for the 2017-2018 year are due on or by July 1st, 2017. 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 execdirector@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

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Events

Grand Re-Opening and
Ribbon Cutting
268 US Highway 98
Eastpoint
5:30pm

July Monthly Business Luncheon

Wednesday, July 5th
Caroline's River Dining
123 Water St.
Apalachicola
Noon

Visitor Statistics

April 2004 1,494
April 2005 1,189
April 2006 1,268
April 2007 2,200
April 2008 2,987
April 2009 2,497
April 2010 2,968
April 2011 2,731
April 2012 2,687
April 2013 2,379
April 2014 1,180
April 2015 1,342
April 2016 1,237
April 2017 1,942

April Website Stats

Sessions
14,583

Users
11,779

Pageviews
41,858

Pages / Session
2.87

Avg. Session Duration
00:02:21

Bounce Rate
55.39%

Captain Jeremy Davidson
Specializes in Guiding Inshore Fishing,
Photography & Outdoor Enthusiasts of all
skill levels, including commercial
Photographers

Allegro Sailing Cruises

Purchased in 2016 and sailed to Alligator Point, FL. Just one hour south of Tallahassee. "Allegro" is the first catamaran sailboat to offer exciting cruises. Nearby residents and tourists alike that come to our beautiful area can now enjoy sailing. Discover for yourself, and book a unique half or full day-trip. Try a sunset sails or once a month, a lucky group can experience the sunset/moonrise sail. - Book online from a computer, mobile phone or tablet. Walk ups and short notice are also welcome. Call or text Capt. Tom to confirm availability.

Experience a half day, full day, or sunset adventure. "Allegro" connects people to a unique sailing experiences. Very reasonable pricing assures you will be back time and again. Available 7 days a week and on short notice, we are always ready to sail. Top-notch customer care.

Tyler Askew Strategic Wealth Group

Everything we do, we do with the objective of helping people grow. We strive to really get to know our clients so that we have a true understanding of their wants, needs, fears, and desires. To this end, our solutions are comprehensive and address their complete financial picture. We start with a plan so that we can leave them with more than just "products and solutions," but instead with a roadmap for growth. We believe in treating our clients, our team, and our family the same way: with love, care and respect. We seek to lead by example and to act by putting clients' interests above our own. Our goal is to empower our clients to become informed and educated decision-makers in the arena of their finances, so that they may continue to seek and take our advice, and to delight them with our exemplary service, so that they may recommend us to those they know and hold dear. Our team is made up of men and women who share our values and work hard in realizing our mission day in and day out. Here too, our objective is to help them grow- personally, professionally,

Bowery Station Musical Schedule May 31st - June 4th

May 31 @ 3:00 pm - June 4 @ 8:00 pm

Wednesday, May 31 - Abby Iggy joins us from 3-5 to kick off the week, as she continually has been bringing a more impressive show each time she jumps on stage, then Open Mic hosted by Matt Gardi runs from 6-8ish. All performer tips during the month of May go to benefit the Cricket fund. So come on out and sing, sing a long, or just sit back and soak up the tunes.

Thursday, June 1 - As always we are making Thursday the new Fridays at BS! Brian Bowen is back and ready to pour on the salty americana from 2:30-5pm with a 10 Mile Smile. Then, Chris Skene and Mickey Abraham mix up the mandolin, tight guitar licks and smooth vocals for a great show from 6-8:30pm.

Friday, June 2 - Cat Braaten brightens another Friday afternoon from 3-5 with her attention grabbing vocals, then game on folks, game on! The Frank Jones Band serves up some high energy blues and rock from 7-10pm for what you know will be a jammin' Friday night of frivolity in the BS bounce castle

Saturday, June 3 - Start off the weekend right as David Rueve from Dothan plays from 3-5pm. With a soothing soulful falsetto and a powerfully bluesy voice, Rueve is sure to please the ear's taste buds. Then, Eric and the boys of 10 Pound Pancake groove into the Bowery Station with some serious funk, blues and rock n' roll from 6-9pm. If you want to get some booty shakin' on, you know it's gonna be the night to do it.

Sunday, June 4 - Join us for what we have now dubbed "1st Sundays." It starts with Gill Autrey playing some classical tunes from 2-2:30pm, followed up by the growling blues of Slim Fatz from 2:30-4:30. Then to round out a great Sunday as Key West's own Lance Taylor is back in the Bowery from 5-8:30pm.

A unique voice with well written originals it is a pleasure to have Lance Taylor back in Apalachicola! Come join us for 1st Sundays...the first Sunday of every month leading off with Gill and Slim! So come get a cold OCBC beer and sit back and enjoy the best in live music at Bowery Station, your original station for great live music in Apalachicola.

Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce Business Luncheon



Wednesday, June 7th
First United Methodist Church 75 5th St
Apalachicola at Noon

Full Moon Climb at Cape St. George Lighthouse

% New Sessions
74.80%

Board of Directors

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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?
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

and financially. We believe in servant leadership and sharing our deeply held Christian principles.

Forgotten Coast Flyers

Owned by John Bone Forgotten Coast Flyers provides the unique tour experience of Scenic Air Tours from the Apalachicola Airport. Tours of Apalachicola, Dog Island, St. George Island, Little St. George Island, St. Vincent Island and Cape San Blas.

Weber's little Donut Shop

Owned and operated by George and Layla Weber, Weber's little Donut Shop is located at 65 West Gorrie Dr. on St. George Island. Donuts are made fresh daily.

Member News

Taylor's Building Supply Grand Re-Opening Sale

Taylor's Building Supply is having a Grand Re-Opening Sale Starting with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on June 29th at 5:30pm and going on throughout the weekend with free food, Free T-shirts, Face painting, Bounce House and great deals.

Sea Turtle Talks



The St. George Lighthouse will host a full moon climb June 9 from 8:30-10 pm. Climb to the top of the Cape St. George Light 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. Because space is limited, reservations are recommended. For reservations or more information, please contact the Lighthouse Gift Shop at 850-927-7745.

Johnny Hayes and The Lovesats

June 9 @ 9:00 pm - 11:30 pm
Harry A's, 28 West Bayshore Drive
St. George Island
Alabama-raised Nashville-based singer-songwriter Johnny Hayes weaves soulful blues-rock vocals through a musical fabric of acoustic, folk and pop.

Fisherman's Choice Youth Fishing Tournament

June 10 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Fisherman's Choice, 330 US-98
Eastpoint
Annual Fisherman's Choice Youth Fishing Tournament. Kids 16 and under will fish for fresh and saltwater species. Each entry receives a t-shirt, and after the tournament, entrants are invited to attend a cookout at Fisherman's Choice in Eastpoint. Entry is free and generally about 200 kids sign up.

Apalachicola Area Historical Society Annual Meeting

June 10 @ 12:00 pm - 2:00 p
It's time for the Annual Meeting of Apalachicola Area Historical Society for the purpose of officer election, conversation and lunch!
Saturday, June 10 at Noon
147 Avenue B, Apalachicola
Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, & Cole Slaw provided.



Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve *Reserve Wednesday*

Sea Turtle Talks **FREE**

Wednesdays* This Summer
2:00pm - 3:00pm Come learn all about our nesting sea turtles and find out how you can help them!

June: 7, 14, 21, *29
(June 28's talk was moved to Thursday, June 29)
 July: 5, 12, 19, 26
 August: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Registration is not required, but seating is limited!

108 Island Drive
 Eastpoint, FL 32328
 (850) 670-7700

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Please COME and if possible, bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share. We will have plenty so just come!

SGI Mullet Toss

June 10 @ 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

This annual fun event will take place Saturday, June 10 from 10 a.m till 5 p.m on the beach in front of Blue Parrot Oceanfront Cafe on St. George Island. This annual Mullet Toss is sponsored by The Blue Parrot for the benefit of the Apalachicola bay Charter School. For a nominal entry fee you get a unique Mullet Toss T Shirt, and 2 mullet to throw. Visitors and Locals compete for prizes and bragging rights. There are prizes for the longest throws in the men's, women's and kids divisions.

Apalachicola Farmers Market



Saturday, June 10th & 24th 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

Bowery Market

Visit Apalachicola's new open-air street market each Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Bowery Market is held on Commerce Street between Avenues F and G. Enjoy live music and food as you peruse vendors offering a variety of merchandise, services, and activities. Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Hosted by Apalachicola Main Street and FAMU Business Incubator Program.

Chamber Business After Hours / Grand Opening / Ribbon Cutting



Thursday, June 15th

Bottom's Up

76 Market Street, Apalachicola 5:30-7:00pm

Big Bend Hospice Presents: Franklin's Fabulous Night Out



June 16 @ 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Fort Coombs Armory, 4th St & Ave D
Apalachicola

Join us June 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Fort Coombs Armory in Apalachicola for a night of fun and music by Tony Partington & the Recollections. Proceeds benefit Big Bend Hospice of Franklin County! Tickets can be Purchased at the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce.

Saturday, June 24 The Forgotten Coast Parrot Head Club St. George Island



will be hosting an event to raise awareness and funds to benefit the Alzheimer's Association. The day will begin at 8 a.m. with a 5K Phun Walk/Run. At 9:30 we will have YOGA Beach "Cool Down!" At 11:00 a.m., we will be having a "Fins Up!" Beach Volleyball Tournament. The day will conclude with an "It's 5 O'clock Somewhere" party at Doc Myer's Island Pub and Sports Bar. This starts at 5 p.m. and will include the music of Jimmy Buffett by "Bwana Ray." We will have a \$10 Low Country Boil, a Silent auction, a 50/50 Raffle, giveaways, and so much more!

Chamber Business After Hours / Grand Re-Opening / Ribbon Cutting



Thursday June 29th 5:30pm

Taylor's Building Supply 268 Us Hwy 98 Eastpoint

Apalachicola Independence Day Celebration

July 3 @ 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Celebrate your Independence early at the award-winning "Independence Eve" event in Apalachicola from 5:00 - 10:00 p.m. at Riverfront Park. Enjoy great food, live music, a parade, ice cream social, veterans' tribute, children's activities, and more. This year's featured entertainment is Johnny & the Love Seats. Lead Singer Johnny Hayes recently wowed audiences on NBC's "The Voice." When the sun goes down, get ready for the best fireworks show on the Forgotten Coast set to a patriotic soundtrack. The pyrotechnics are launched from a barge in the river, creating a spectacular effect as the fireworks light up the night sky and are reflected in the water. The event is free. Bring your lawn chairs or picnic blanket. For an upscale experience, become a sponsor at the \$500 level or above and enjoy a reserved table in our VIP section on the docks where you can savor complementary refreshments from a private bar. More information can be found at www.july3fireworks.com or 844-272-2523.

St. George Island July 4th Celebration

July 4 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Blue Parrot, 8 West Gorrie Drive

St. George Island, Florida 32328

On St. George Island, everyone is welcome to join in the annual July 4th celebration. Stick around all day and enjoy festivities and fireworks on the beach behind the Blue Parrot Grill about dark-thirty.

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