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Meetings

Monthly Business Luncheon



Wednesday, April 4th
Red Pirate Family Bar & Grill
236 US-98, Eastpoint
Noon

April Business After Hours



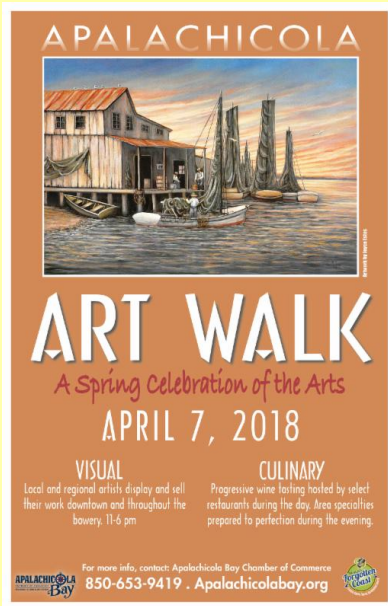
Thursday, April 12th
5:30pm-7:00pm
Peoples South Bank
58 4th St
Apalachicola

Special Chamber After Hours Thursday, April 19th

50th Anniversary
Celebration of Taylor's
Building Supply
268 Hwy 98
Eastpoint

Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce April Events

Apalachicola Art & Wine Walk



Saturday, April 7th

Art for this years poster was provided by Joyce Estes of Sea Oats Art Gallery

Art in all forms will be woven in and around picturesque downtown Apalachicola where artists and musicians will be showing, selling, and demonstrating their talents from 11:00-6:00 pm. The festivities continue into the evening with a wine tasting at 1:00 - 4:00pm . Afterwards area

Sponsors



Events

St. George Light Full Moon Climb

5:30pm-7:00pm

Visitor Statistics**Apalachicola**

February 2001 1,414
 February 2002 1,150
 February 2003 694
 February 2004 950
 February 2005 1,538
 February 2006 1,430
 February 2007 2,309
 February 2008 3,330
 February 2009 1,972
 February 2010 2,444
 February 2011 2,193
 February 2012 1,999
 February 2013 2,052
 February 2014 2,684
 February 2015 1,606
 February 2016 1,684
 February 2017 1,763
 February 2018 1,801

St. George Island

February 2018 1,129

February Website Stats

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16,086

New Users
14,922

Sessions
20,349

Pageviews
53,752

Pages / Session
2.64

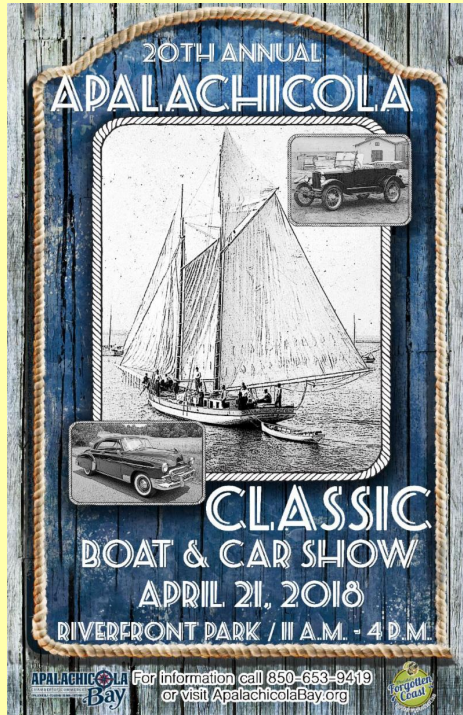
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Bounce Rate
57.45%

% New Sessions
80.06%

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chefs will prepare dishes at their restaurants paired with special wines Call (850) 653-9419 or email execdirector@apalachicolabay.org for more information. If you would like to be a artist please click link below for application.

[Art Walk Application](#)**20th Annual Apalachicola Classic Boat & Car Show****Saturday, April 21st**

We would like to invite you to the 20th Anniversary of the Apalachicola Classic Boat & Car Show on April 21st 2018 from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

Come to Riverfront Park in Apalachicola to see many Antique & Classic Vessels, Work-boats and Runabouts. Fiberglass, Wood and Aluminum as well as Motor Displays Boat building demonstrations will be on Display.

Antiques, Classic and late Model cars will be on display from Studebakers, Model T's , Mustangs, Classic Chevs and much more.

The Apalachicola Traders' Canoe, a hand built 50-foot long vessel used between 1750-1850, recovered from the Apalachicola River will be on display at History Culture & Art Center during the day as well

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will have free information on safe boating, the Dept of Environmental Protection will be on hand to give out information on the Clean Boating Program and the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve will have a booth on area flora and fauna.

The Apalachicola Classic Boat & Car Show also will feature a few Arts and Crafts Vendors that focus on nautical themes.



The March Full Moon Climb at the Cape St. George Lighthouse on St. George Island will be held on Saturday, March 31, 2018. The Sunset/Full Moon Climb will take place from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and will include 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.

The sun will set at 7:58 p.m. and a "Blue" moon will rise at 8:20 p.m. on March 31. A Blue Moon is the second full moon in a calendar month. This is the second Blue Moon of the 2018. A "Double Blue Moon" last occurred in 1999. After sunset, people without reservations 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.

The Cape St. George Light is located in St. George Lighthouse Park at the center of St. George Island, where Island Drive (the road off the bridge) ends at Gulf Beach Drive. Parking is available in lots at either side of the park. For reservations or more information, please contact the Lighthouse Gift Shop at 850-927-7745.

Kathleen Denis Workshop, Oil Painting, April 6-8, 2018

April 6 @ 8:00 am - April 8 @ 5:00 pm

With numerous challenges and decisions to make when painting, Kathleen generously and thoroughly teaches the essential elements to help you create a great painting.

Through daily lectures, demos and personal hands on assistance you will learn how to make creative compositions with focal points and depth, value studies, color mixing and finishing touches. Class will be taught in the Studio using Oils. All levels are welcome.

Day One - Composition - learn to create balance with lines, shapes and value studies

Day Two - Color - learn how to mix colors, choose colors and apply colors

Day Three - Finishing Touches - learn how to make good edges, add details, and know when you are finished.

One woman show: Saturday, April 7, 5:30-7 pm. Meet the artist. Wine reception open house at On the Waterfront Gallery, 117 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL, 32320.

Weekend Warrior Workshop, Oil Painting, at WOW (Workshops On the Waterfront).

This weekend Apalachicola will experience their Annual Art Walk, during which the town is alive with visitors strolling through the artists, tents and galleries all over. Our class with Kathleen will be stationed at On the Waterfront Gallery which is also a Wine Station Stop allowing our students to be part of this special fun day. The day of instruction will end with an optional display of your work as well as a One Gal Show and reception for Kathleen. Thus in addition to your 3 varied and exceptional instruction both in the studio and on location all 3 days, you have the bonus of the Art Walk experience should you wish to be included. You should bring some extra studies and finished work in the event someone actually wishes to buy your piece.

Classes will begin on Friday morning at 9 a.m. with a studio orientation and demo by Kathleen, along with coffee and morning treats at 117 Market Street, On the Waterfront Gallery, just a few yards thru the main blinking light in the center of our downtown Historic District. In the afternoon there will be painting and instruction each day. Saturday

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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 2017-18, please feel free to call the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce at 850-653-9419 or email John C. Solomon at execdirector@apalachicolabay.org

[Click here for Application](#)

New Members

Christie's Cottage Living

Located at 208 Marine St. in Carrabelle and owned by Lewis Christie. Christie's Cottage Living has beach and Cottage style Furnishings, Clothing, Jewelry and Antiques with additional Shoppes within the Store. If Christie's doesn't have it one of our store vendors will. Fine Shopping at the coast with coastal home in mind.

Methodist Church of Port St. Joe

Located at 1001 Constitution Ave, We are a historic church that is overflowing with new life. From our casual Worship on the Water service overlooking the bay to our traditional Sanctuary Service with beautiful choir and organ there is place for you in our church family. Our members come from all over the region including Port St. Joe, Mexico Beach, Apalachicola, Indian Pass, Cape San Blas, and Tyndall Air Force Base. We particularly enjoy getting to meet new friends from winter snowbirds to the summer tourists that enjoy our Forgotten Coast beaches. We're located directly overlooking beautiful St. Joseph Bay at the corner of Highway 98 and Monument Ave in Port St. Joe. We offer programs for all ages from nursery to youth & more. Whether you are new to the area, just here for a visit, or perhaps looking for a new church home, we hope you'll come worship with us. Our doors are always open and we invite you to come as you are.

Vacasa Vacation Rentals

Local Office and Representative Hannah Stout in Port St. Joe. Vacasa is a full service vacation rental management company with over 7,000 units worldwide. We employ local teams with 24/7 availability and specialize in aggressive marketing to draw more bookings to our local area and increase revenues for our owners.

Two Brothers at the Beach

Located at 1637 Hwy 98 in Carrabelle and owned by Sandra McDonald. Old Fashioned mom & pop restaurant serving fresh seafood, steaks and the best onion ring you have ever put in your mouth.

CJ's Pizzeria

Owned by Chris and Jennifer Wilson. CJ's Pizzeria is currently located at 1615 US-98. Order your favorite pizza, pasta, salad, and more.

Teresa Howard Woodmenlife Representative

I am Teresa Howard your local representative for WoodmenLife Insurance, I am a lifelong resident of Franklin county and a former local educator. My

starts again at the Gallery but continues throughout the day with painting and instruction as well as participation in the Art Walk Event ending with our Wine Reception and show. Sunday we will meet again at 9 at the Gallery but may enjoy a local location of the many waterfront scenes and a unique opportunity of painting "Shotgun Houses" since this is a specialty of Kathleen's with her many similar and colorful Conch Houses from the Florida Keys and Islamorada where she has her studio and home. This Weekend Warrior Workshop is extra special with a discount for our AAA members as a bonus as well. Three days of painting and superb talented instruction, Art Walk, Wine Reception Party, Shotguns, Studio, Plein Air all waiting for you. \$375 includes all activities. Artists of Apalachicola Association (AAA) members get a 20% discount, to \$300 (must call for discount). Don't miss this art workshop in Apalachicola, FL (Franklin County).

To sign up, tickets available at <https://squareup.com/store/on-the-waterfront-gallery> or call 850-653-9699 to register.

More info at: <http://onthewaterfrontgallery.com/kathleendenis-workshop-oil-painting-april-6-8-2018/>

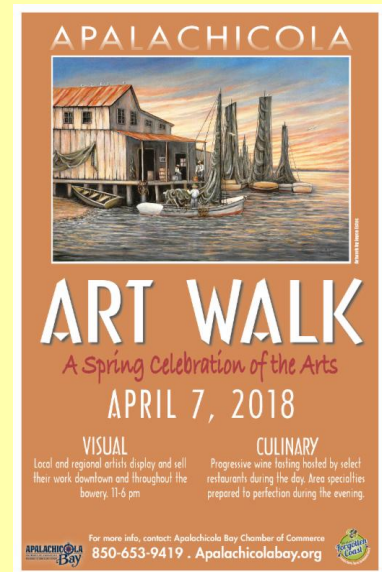
Kathleen's website page:
<https://kathleendenis.com/workshop/17441/from-concept-to-completion>

Supply List and General Workshop Info:
<https://kathleendenis.com/workshop/13757/supply-list-and-general-workshop-info>

Kathleen's paintings will be on display and available to purchase.

Kathleen Denis-Waiting For You

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PEARLS Launch Party

April 7 @ 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 7

Center for History, Culture and Art

86 Water Street

5 - 7 p.m.

husband Chris and I have 3 children. I am licensed in Florida & Georgia. Contact me today to see how I can help you with meeting your insurance goals. WoodmenLife was founded in 1890 as a not for profit. The organization gives back to its nearly 700,000 members, who join together in a shared commitment to family, community and country. With a legacy of financial stability, WoodmenLife offers quality life insurance and retirement products. To learn more about the organization, visit WoodmenLife.org

Connie Polous Candidate for Franklin County Tax Collector

Connie Polous has lived in Franklin County for 53 years and has been employed at the Franklin County Tax Collectors office for 22 years and managed the Carrabelle Annex office for the Tax Collector for 11 years. Connie is married to Dewitt Polous with 2 children and 4 grandchildren Eric Polous (Wife Heather Polous), Donna Brooke Polous.

Oyster Boss, LLC

Owned by Jeff Tilley located at 48 Island Drive in Eastpoint. Premium Apalachicola Oysters, Sustainable farm-raised through Aquaculture. Come taste the finest oyster around! Retail and Wholesale. Monday-Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Coastal Cutz

Located at 338 Hwy 98 in Eastpoint and owned by Brandi Horst. We offer many services like haircuts, color, and facial waxing. We will also offer manicures and pedicures along with acrylic nails and gel polish.

Wilkes Food Vendor

Owned by Royce Wilkes Sr. Wilkes Food Vendor is located on St. George Island near the public parking. They offer a variety of food options perfect for dining at the beach.

Sweet Surf

Located on East Gulf Beach Drive on St. George Island and owned by Alissa McIntyre. Sweet Surf is the place to be if you want a delicious, refreshing treat on St. George Island Florida. Serving Lemonade, Soft Serve Ice Cream and More.

Thompson Shepard Bassett Team, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services

Located at 140 1st St. on St. George Island. Susan's specialty is advising buyers and sellers on making the best real estate investment decisions in this area. She knows the inventory for sale on St. George and Apalachicola inside and out. Marketing is key to her success with finding buyers and sellers and the perfect match for the house they want to buy or sell. Her talent is in finding the right property for each buyer, regardless of which agency has it listed for sale, and in making the deal work for all sides. She can help you with purchase of a personal home, investment property,

Mayor Van Johnson kicks off the festivities. Free and open to all; wine & hors d'oeuvres.

Sounds of Summer Concert Series - Ft.

Rebecca Turk

April 7 @ 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Live vocals and guitar by local performing artist Rebecca Turk.

ST. GEORGE ISLAND PAINT OUT APRIL 8th-14th



15 talented, experienced Plein Air artists will be painting St. George from the SGI State Park to Bob Sikes Cut during this special week on the island in April. Make your plans to attend and watch as these painters capture the beauty of St. George Island or sign up to take a half day or a whole day workshop from one of these fine plein air artists. Four Meet and Greets the artists are planned around the island during this paint filled week. Relax with the artists at the end of a busy painting day, have a drink, listen to some music, and talk art! On the final afternoon, attend the reception to celebrate the closing of the paint out and see all of the works produced during the week. The paintings will be on exhibit and for sale at The St. George Island Clubhouse. Reservations will be required. more...

MEET AND GREETs begin a 4pm each day, appetizers are provided, cash bar.

Monday, April 9, THE BEACH PIT

Tuesday, April 10, SOMETIMES IT'S HOTTER

Wednesday, April 11th St. George Island Visitor Center (catered by St. George Island Cantina)

Thursday, April 12, PADDY'S RAW BAR

Friday, April 13, DOC MYERS

PLEIN AIR WORKSHOPS

Monday, 1/2 day class \$35 contact SHARON YARBROUGH for details and to sign up at sharonyarbrough@gmail.com

Tuesday, Full day class, \$75, contact JOAN VIENOT for details and to sign up at www.joanvienot.com

Wednesday, Full day class, \$120, contact MANON SANDER for details and to sign up at

ManonSander.com home or at manondesigns@comcast.net

Thursday, 1/2 day class, \$35, contact CRAIG REYNOLDS at craig.reynolds.3615@gmail.com for details and to register.

Friday, 1/2 or full day class \$45/\$90, contact ED NICKERSON at ed_nickerson84@hotmail.com for details and to register.

St. George Island Paint Out

Follow us on Facebook and check out the website at www.sgiPaintOut.com

PLEIN AIR PAINT-A-SHOTGUN WORKSHOP with Kate Knapp

April 10 @ 8:00 am - April 12 @ 5:00 pm

or commercial property.

Susan is a Florida native, with roots in the countryside of Gadsden County, and St. George Island has been her family's go to vacation spot for 40 years. She moved to

St. George full-time in 2004 following stints in Tallahassee as a university professor in computer science and in Santa Fe, New Mexico with a high-tech start-up company she co-founded and eventually sold, catering to the pharmaceutical drug discovery industry.

Shelley is a native Floridian who grew up in west Gadsden county, 75 miles upriver from St. George Island. She graduated from Emory University with a degree in International Business. After pursuing her equestrian avocation as an assistant manager at a Thoroughbred racing farm in Palmetto, Georgia, she moved back to Florida to sell real estate on

St. George Island.

As a partner in the Thompson Shepard Bassett team, Shelley ready to work through all steps of a real estate transaction. She knows the inventory of what is for sale, and the history of what properties have sold for. Her thoroughness and forthright manner helps make a transaction work, from showing property to negotiating a contract, to coordinating inspections and guiding the closing process.

SGI BrewFest

We're a committee of SGI residents, supporting businesses and other animal lovers who work tirelessly throughout the year coordinating events to support the FCHS programs and animal shelter. This group has successfully organized many fundraising events in the area including 20 years of the St. George Island Sizzler, a popular 5K race and fun run with a low country boil for all participants. We're a large group of volunteers and supporters unmatched in our dedication and efforts on behalf of FCHS and other events on the island that improve quality of life for all - and we have fun doing it! BrewFest is Saturday April 28, 2018 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Island Suites of St. George Island

Located at 116 West Gorrie ave on St. George Island. Island Suites of St. George Island. The Island Suites is located on St. George Island on the beach front within walking distance to the majority of restaurants and shops. 8 separate suites each having a private balcony overlooking the beautiful Gulf of Mexico, 1 king or 2 queen beds, refrigerator, microwave, in-room coffee, guest room amenities, cable and internet. There are 2 handicap accessible rooms either with 2 queen beds or 1 king.

Second Nature Charters

Owned by Rick and Susan Robinson, the team at Second Nature Charters think you should be paying for the fishing, nothing else. All tackle, bait, lures, and licenses are included, as are fuel, drinks, and cleaning and filleting of all your catch. Anglers of any age or experience level are welcome aboard, and Captain Rick will make sure everyone is fishing like a pro by the end of the day. So step aboard, and get ready for the trip of a lifetime!

Worn by the Sea

Tuesday, April 10 - Thursday, April 12

Three days of Free workshops in support of PEARLS and Save Our Shotguns. Don't miss this opportunity to paint and gain new insights with Kate. Pre-registration is required... stop by the Center for History, Culture and Art (HCA) at 86 Water Street to sign up, or call 855-272-5224. Open to artists of any experience and any medium. Space available on first-come; first served basis.

"I have been studying painting seriously for over forty years. Provincetown Ma. was where I began painting full time at the Impressionist Cape School of Art with Henry Hensche. The world of color and light was opened to me at that point and continues to be at the heart of my work. Over the years I have become more interested in the Expressionist outlook and try to communicate through my work really how I feel about the subject I am painting. I try to paint from my heart, as it were, not so much from my head."

Apalachicola Farmers Market



Saturday, April 7th & 28th 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

Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours.



Thursday, April 12th
Peoples South Bank
58 4th St. Apalachicola
5:30-7:30pm

Coastal Art Showcase

April 6 @ 11:00 am - April 28 @ 4:00 pm
The Carrabelle Artist Association (CAA) is pleased to present a group exhibition of new works at this spring's Coastal Art Showcase. The Coastal Art Showcase will also proudly display the work of award winning artist, Beth Appleton as the Guest Artist. This colorful and fascinating exhibition highlights the vibrant arts community in the Carrabelle and Forgotten Coast area. The showcase opens Friday, April 6 and will run for four weekends, with a "Meet the Artists Reception" on Friday, April 13 from 6-8 pm in the

Local Artist and Crafter Jane Kirk combs the beach for beautiful treasures and turns them into beautiful jewelry and art. You can see Jane's creations at the Apalachicola Farmers Markets.

C-Quaters Liquors & Saloon

Located at 208 Hwy 98 in Carrabelle. They offer beer, wine, liquor & Cigars.

Hours of operation for C-Quaters Liquors:
Sun-Thurs 12:00pm-8:00pm, Fri & Sat 9:00am-10:00pm
C-Quaters Saloon Fri & Sat 4:00pm-10:00pm

Eastpoint Beer Company

Owned by Joshua Parker the Eastpoint Beer Company will be located at 374 Hwy 98 in Eastpoint. They will have locally produced craft beer with a view of beautiful Apalachicola Bay.

Southern Salinity Photography

Captain Jeremy Davidson Specializes Photography for outdoor enthusiasts of all skill levels, including commercial photographers. Call us to explore our "One of Kind" Apalachicola River, Bay & Florida's Forgotten Coast Islands!!! Your perfect photo shoot awaits. Family, Nature & Home Photography.

Eastpoint Methodist Church

Located at 317 in Eastpoint. The United Methodist Church has many doors through which people share serving God. We hope you discover something here to encourage you on your spiritual journey

Downtown Books & Purl

Located at 67 Commerce St. in Apalachicola. Two unique shops in one neat old building. Visit us for the best new titles and much-loved classics, exquisite yarns and handwork accessories, coloring books, puzzles, and games. Special orders are our specialty, and we ship everywhere!

St. George Island Beach Vacation Rentals

Owned and operated by Jonathan & Krista Beigle At St. George Island Beach Vacations our goal is to help you plan your perfect St. George Island vacation. We own three beautiful homes, Sea Dunes, Sand Dollar, and Serene Dream, that you are sure to love. Sea Dunes is a beach front home with four bedrooms, Sand Dollar is a beach view home with four bedrooms and an elevator, and Serene Dream is a beach view home with five bedrooms and an elevator. All of our homes are dog friendly and have a private pool and private hot tub. By working directly with us, the Beigles, you are guaranteed to have a personal touch and can avoid paying the booking fees at websites like VRBO and AirBnB. Finally, we also have a SGI blog where we feature our favorite restaurants, events, and activities to help you plan for your trip. Are you ready to plan your perfect St. George Island beach vacation with us?

historic and unique art venue, Rio Carrabelle. Showcase gallery hours will be every Friday and Saturday from 11 am - 4 pm from April 6 through April 28 at Rio Carrabelle, 102 St. James Avenue (US Hwy 98), Carrabelle, FL.

New and original artwork by well known local artists are presented along with the work of new emerging artists. This exhibition will welcome over a dozen artists like Joe Kotzman, Vernia Moore, and Pat Moore. Works may include oils, pastels, watercolors, acrylics, photography, pottery and more. Many of these original works of art will be available for purchase. Visitors will be able to meet contributing artists and discuss the works on exhibit.

This season's guest artist, Beth Appleton, has "developed an art form uniquely her own. For over 25 years, Appleton's works have been shaped by life on the edge of the Gulf of Mexico. New works emerge ever more complex in dimension and abstraction," declares David Harbaugh. "Bridging the gap between art and science, she is collaborating with microscopists, ecologists, marine biologists and astronomers. With all these new pursuits, one constant remains: her kinetic works are inspiring and magnetic. When this artist is fascinated by the micro life found in a drop of water, her art welcomes us inside her imagination. When mesmerized by the night sky, she carries us to a world we only thought we knew."

Appleton says "I spent most of my childhood right in the middle of what my family calls 'Old Florida'. Silver Springs was my playground; I practiced underwater ballet and dreamed one day I would become a Weekie Wachee mermaid. Today, while lost in art, I can still float in that memory."

The CAA is excited to host a "Meet the Artists Reception" in which the show's Guest Artist, Beth Appleton, as well as contributing artists will be on hand to discuss their artwork. The reception will be Friday, April 13 from 6-8 pm at Rio Carrabelle in lovely downtown Carrabelle. Guests will have a wonderful opportunity to experience and discuss art in a warm, approachable environment

Artist's Reception Kate Knapp: Light, Color, and Love What you Paint

April 12 @ 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm
Artist's Reception

Kate Knapp: Light, Color, and Love What you Paint.
Thursday, April 12, 5-6:30pm
See more of Kate's works at kateknappartist.com.

Save Our Shotguns: A Symposium

April 14 @ 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Saturday, April 14 9am-5pm

Center for History, Culture and Art, 86 Water Street
Presentations on issues of zoning, heir property and community land trusts, followed by a panel discussion with community members, and Q&A on the future of the Hill. Schedule of specific times to be published soon.

The Shotgun Community of North Port St Joe

April 17 @ 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, April 17th 6pm-8pm

Hear the stories of North Port St Joe and its connection to Apalachicola

Reserve Wednesday's



April 18 @ 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Upcoming Reserve Wednesday Talks:

April 18th- Wildflowers 2pm-3pm

Speaker: Erik Lovstrand, Franklin County IFAS Extension
Registration is not required, but seating is limited.

Bee Inspired Too

Owned by Uta Hardy & Patti Ruitter Bee Inspired is located at 56 Commerce St. in Apalachicola. Bee Inspired is home to a unique selection of handmade wares for every aspect of your life. If you're looking for that perfect piece of jewelry to wear or to give as a gift, we offer you a chic selection of handmade wrap bracelets, bead bracelets, anklets and chokers. If you are looking for custom stationery or an invitation like no other, we'll create exactly what you had in mind - with an extra touch of that special thing you hadn't thought of. Anything creative you need - from wishing jars, to hand painted wine glasses, buntings, banners - we bring your ideas to life - from the ethereal to the perfect touch of nature. Browse our collection of handmade jewelry and paper goods or request something custom!

Apalach Tours

A informative and relaxing eco tour on the "Half Shell" a fully restored Oyster boat turned into comfortable, beautiful tour boat. With experienced Captain Gibby Conrad

Uta Hardy Real Estate Services

I have been in the real estate business in Franklin County for 12 years and a broker for 10 years. I have focused on personalized services for clients seeking residential properties on St. George Island and in Apalachicola. Located at 56 Commerce St. in Apalachicola.

App Builder Direct

Local Representative Rebecca Harmon. App Builder Direct can help you build a mobile app for your company that can be used on any web device.

The Rexford Suite

Experience downtown Apalachicola and the beautiful Apalachicola River from your windows or walk out the door and step into the shops, art galleries and restaurants of this quaint historic fishing village. Take an estuary tour or spend the day fishing with one of the experienced guides either on the Apalachicola River or in the beautiful gulf waters. Bike ride, beach comb, take in a play at North Florida's oldest Theatre or just relax. Don't miss any of the great events in Franklin County; Florida Seafood Festival, SGI Chili Cook-off, Chef's Sampler, Art Walk and Wine Festival, Antique Boat Show, the list goes on....

Half Shell Dockside

Will be located at 301 Market Street in Apalachicola in the very near future.

Cumulus Radio

Located at 3411 West Tharpe St. Tallahassee Cumulus Broadcasting is the parent company of Radio Stations: Gulf 104 / Star 98.9 / Heaven 98.3 / Blazin 102.3 / 96.1 Jamz. Local representative is Jerry Hannah.

SPECIAL Apalachicola Bay chamber of Commerce Business After Hours



April 19th 5:30-7:00pm

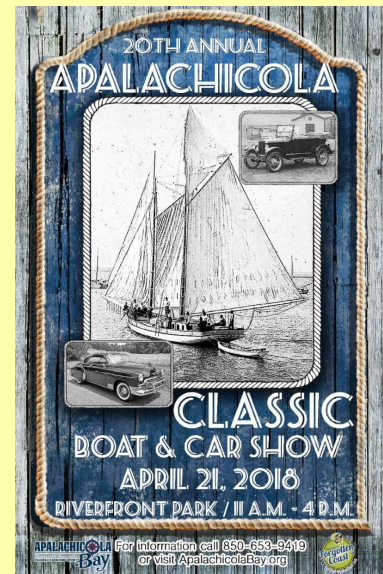
Come help celebrate Taylor's Building Supply's 50th Anniversary. The After Hours kicks off a weekend full of Events, Sales and Specials. 268 Hwy 98 in Eastpoint

Estuary Class

April 20 @ 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Do you know what an estuary is and why it is so vital to our economy and way of life? Join the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve on Friday, April 20, 12:00-4:00pm to explore the estuary we depend on. Participants will learn about the habitats and creatures that make up our estuary and how the river and bay are intricately connected. We will see these habitats up close aboard the Reserve's research vessel the Henry Lee. The class is \$25.00. Classes fill up fast! Please register in advance, tickets available on <https://anerestuaryclass.eventbrite.com/>.

Apalachicola Classic Boat & Car Show



April 21 @ 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

We would like to invite you to the 20th Anniversary of the Apalachicola Classic Boat & Car Show on April 21st 2018 from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

Come to Riverfront Park in Apalachicola to see many Antique & Classic Vessels, Workboats and Runabouts. Fiberglass, Wood and Aluminum as well as Motor Displays Boat building demonstrations will be on Display. Antiques, Classic and late Model cars will be on display from Studebakers, Model T's, Mustangs, Classic Chevys and much more.

The Apalachicola Traders' Canoe, a hand built 50-foot long vessel used between 1750-1850, recovered from the Apalachicola River will be on display at History Culture & Art Center during the day as well

We have many local guides who can offer Tours of the waterfront and surrounding areas you can view them by clicking here.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will have free information on safe boating, the Dept of Environmental Protection will be on hand to give out information on the Clean Boating

The Other Store

Located at 321-B Reid ave in Port St. Joe and owned by Steve and Vicki Burke. The Other Store is a place to come get souvenirs, local goods and stuff. We say stuff so we can keep changing and bring in new, different and fun stuff!

Campaign to Elect Jay Gordon Shuler Franklin County Judge

J. Gordon Shuler is a 3rd generation attorney born and raised in Apalachicola. His family has served Franklin County since 1932 - for 86 years. He graduated with honors in 1987 from FSU College of Law. As an attorney with over 30 years of experience, he knows our County Court system well. As a life long resident of our county, he knows our county well. He has deep beliefs in core values like fairness and justice.

Debbie Stamantinos, Real Estate Agent Berkshire Hathaway Home Services

As part of the exciting Real Estate Profession, I look forward to sharing my knowledge and love for, the Forgotten Coast with you! My family and I returned to the area after working and living overseas and traveling to many wonderful places around the world. Even so, this is still one of the most beautiful places on earth to us.

SGI Trading Company

Located at 101 Franklin Blvd. on St. George Island. They have Souvenirs, Gifts, Beach Apparel and more.

Pogy Road Porkers

Head Cook Joel Norred and Pogy Road Porkers are a professional competition Cook Team. Competing on the Florida BBQ Association Circuit

Forgotten Coast Cruisers

The Forgotten Coast Cruisers is a local car club. Whose goal is bringing together car lovers of all makes and models for some cruise ins and fellowship. We welcome cars of all years, makes and models.

Chamber News

New Cell Phone Charging Stations in Visitor Centers

Thank you to Duke Energy, who has donated two cell phone charging Stations to the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce. These Stations will be placed in the Visitors Centers in Apalachicola and St. George Island later this month. This free service

Program and the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve will have a booth on area flora and fauna. The Apalachicola Classic Boat & Car Show also will feature a few Arts and Crafts Vendors that focus on nautical themes.

Whatever Floats Your Boat Regatta

April 21

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 whacky as you want to make them. Just build 'em and they will float . . . more or less.

We have 2 categories: sailing and non-sailing. Think you're up for the challenge? Grab your crew, and start designing your vessel. Just remember to select your race category upon registration.

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.

Click Here for more information and registration. Get your boats ready!

Florida Stories Hillside Walking Tour Launch Party

April 21 @ 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 21 5pm-7pm

Save Our Shotguns Apalachicola is excited to present Florida Stories-Hillside as the newest tour offering for the Florida Humanities Council's audio walking tour series.

Join us for a short talk about the app and it's development and ceremonial download- then explore the sites and history of the Hill!

Pearls Poetry Night

April 20 @ 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Friday, April 20 6pm-8pm

Center for History, Culture and Art, 86 Water Street

Register to read your poetry at info@saveourshotguns.org

Bay-Friendly Landscaping

April 24 @ 8:00 am - 11:00 am

Thyme to start thinking about your yard and garden! Yard design and maintenance can have a big effect on neighborhood beauty and estuarine health. Participants in this class will learn about resources to help them transform their yard into a low maintenance bay-conscious landscape that attracts birds and wildlife. Following the discussion portion of the workshop participants will have the option to take home their own rain barrel. The class is free, but rain barrels are \$25.00 per barrel, and must be ordered one week in advance. Tickets and rain barrel reservations available at www.anerrbayfriendly.eventbrite.com

Oysters 101

April 26 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Come learn about the famous bivalves of Apalachicola Bay! This class offered by the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve will teach you all about the role that oysters play in the health of Apalachicola Bay. After spending some time in the classroom, participants will get the chance to walk along an oyster bar, and look at its inhabitants under a microscope. This class is full of opportunities to learn more about the animals that live in our bay and along the tidal flats. Registration is required in

will allow the public to have a secure place to charge their mobile devices. These lockers are also mobile so starting with the Apalachicola Classic Boat & Car Show on April 21st the Chamber of Commerce will have these at our tent for convenience of the attendees.

Last Chance to Advertise in the 2018-2019 Forgotten Coast Visitors Guide

The Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce has been producing the Forgotten Coast Visitors Guide for over 10 years do not miss this great opportunity to advertise in this years version and if you are not already a member of the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce and would like to be included in this years Visitor Map and Guide call us today to join at 850-653-9419.

[Click here for Visitor Guide Info](#)

[Click here for Membership Application](#)

Business Luncheons and Business After Hours

If you or your business is interested in hosting a Business Luncheon or a Business After Hours in 2018-19, please feel free to call the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce at 850-653-9419 or email John C. Solomon at execdirector@apalachicolabay.org

Member News



Visit Legal Match

advance and the cost is \$25 per person.

Visit <https://anerroysters101.eventbrite.com> to register.
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4th Annual Downtown Hoedown

April 27 @ 6:00 pm - 10:30 pm
Oyster City Brewing Company Apalachicola
Great live music, delicious craft beer, and dancing in the street!

28th Annual Carrabelle Riverfront Festival

April 28 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
The 28th Annual Carrabelle Riverfront Festival will be held the weekend of April 28, 2018 along the beautiful Carrabelle Harbor in downtown Carrabelle, FL. The Carrabelle Riverfront Festival is a fabulous street festival that celebrates Carrabelle's culture, history and natural wonders with colorful arts & craft vendors; educational folk life hands-on demonstrations; wonderful maritime activities, like the touch tanks from the Gulf Specimen Marine Lab; unique children's fun like pirate camp; delicious local seafood vendors and traditional fair foods; wonderful, festive music; and amazing live entertainment - like the now famous Fishy Fashion Show. Admission to this family friendly and pet friendly event is FREE and open to the public.

Forgotten Coast Cruisers Car Show

April 28 @ 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
The Forgotten Coast Cruisers and the Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce invites you to their 5th Annual Car Show on Saturday, April 28, 2018, from 10 am to 4 pm. Take a trip down memory lane and enjoy fun fellowship with other car enthusiasts and owners. Help the judges by casting your vote for the "People's Choice" Award. Enter the 50/50 Raffle. Free admission.

All cars are welcome to "strut their stuff" and entry is only \$ 10 per vehicle the day of the show. If you would like to register early, download an entry form at: <http://carrabelle.org/things-to-do/events-calendar/5th-annual-forgotten-coast-cruisers-car-show/919/> Pre-registration forms and fee can be mailed to: CCC/Car Show, P.O. Box DD, Carrabelle, FL 32322.

Door prizes will be awarded throughout the Show. Awards will be given for: Top 10 on People's Choice, Best in Show, Sponsor's Choice, Late Model, Best Paint, and one other category that shall remain a surprise.

The Forgotten Coast Cruisers 5th Annual Car Show will be at 206 Highway 98 right in downtown Carrabelle, FL, across from Fathoms Steam Room & Raw Bar, next to the Carrabelle Branch of the Franklin County Library.

Please visit our Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/ForgottenCoastCruisers/>, for updated information on the Car Show and the Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce's website

at: <http://carrabelle.org/things-to-do/events-calendar/> for more information on upcoming events and activities.

Sponsored by Coastline RV Resort, Fathoms Steam Room and Raw Bar, Lynn's Quality Oysters, Red Pirate Family Grill and Oyster Bar, NAPA Auto Parts, and Ace Hardware of Apalachicola. Funding provided in part by the Franklin County Tourist Development Council. For information or assistance, please contact Bobby Turner 850-323-1450 or Jim Ward 850-370-0680.

2018 SGI Brewfest - 3rd Annual

April 28 @ 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
For 2018, we are debuting new VIP benefits, exclusive beers, and SGI Brewfest merchandise. Tickets on sale now! Come enjoy a day of relaxed tasting, in an environment that gives you time and space to actually talk with the brewers themselves.

The 3rd Annual SGI Brewfest will feature an even broader selection of amazing craft beers, friendly faces, and furry friends.

All proceeds go to help fund the Franklin County Humane



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Society - beers, beaches, and bettering the lives of animals. What's not to love?

Closing Party and Art Auction

April 28 @ 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 28 5pm-7pm

Mingle with the artists as we close out our month-long celebration of Apalachicola's rich legacy of historic housing. A live auction will take place inside HCA.

May

26th Annual Historic Apalachicola Home & Garden Tour

May 4 @ 8:00 am - May 5 @ 5:00 pm

A self-guided tour from 10am to 4pm on Saturday showcases residential homes (some with personal gardens), and featured gardens. This event provides a rare opportunity to view some of Apalachicola's loveliest residences and grounds. Other historic homes, not on this year's tour, are scattered throughout the community and provide a scenic backdrop for visitors.

Greeters are stationed at each location to provide detailed information for the tour, and homeowners may be on hand to speak with attendees, as well.

The tour weekend begins on Friday evening with a choral Evensong Service at Trinity Episcopal Church.

Immediately following the service a reception will be held at Gorrie Square, just outside the church with refreshments, and information on the following day's events. All proceeds from the event are used to maintain and preserve this historic church and its properties.

Friday, May 4

Evensong Service, Trinity Episcopal Church 6:00pm

Reception following Evensong at Benedict Hall

Saturday, May 5

Self-Guided Home & Garden Tour 10am to 4pm

Luncheon at Benedict Hall 11:30am to 1:30pm

Auction on Church Grounds 10am to 3pm

With our town being small and easy to navigate, most homes and gardens on tour can be accessed by walking, biking or golf-carting. Houses are private residences and are not handicap accessible.

Tickets for the 2018 Historic Apalachicola Home & Garden Tour can be purchased in advance online for \$25 per person using Pay Pal. Tickets bought online via Pay Pal will be "will call only and can be picked up day of the tour in front of Trinity Episcopal Church, 79 Sixth Street (between US 98 and Ave D). Tickets can be purchased at the Trinity Episcopal Church check-in area for \$30 per person. Also advance tickets can be purchased in Apalachicola at the Trinity Church office on 76 Fifth Street or at the Apalachicola Bay Chamber office on 122 Commerce Street. Lunch at Benedict Hall is \$12 per person...Includes a salad entree, fresh fruit, roll, beverage and a selection of homemade desserts. Yum! Yum!...Not to be missed.

For ticket sales or event information, email us or call at (850) 653-9550.

For group ticket sales and help with your planning, contact The Trinity Church office at (850) 653-9550 or email us at info@trinityapalachicola.org.

Suzanne Morris Painting Workshop

May 4-6, 2018

May 4 @ 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

\$350

Enrich your artistic spirit, learn a new skill, or refine an existing ability by joining Suzanne Morris in a "Weekend Warrior" workshop as we explore the natural beauty and cultural heritage of Apalachicola, FL. This 3-day workshop, hosted by On the Waterfront Gallery will use field studies, photographs and sketches to develop a studio landscape painting. Topics covered will include subject choice, composition, values, color and light, linear and atmospheric perspective, edges and paint quality. Demonstrations, discussions, and exercises will help build your knowledge and confidence. All levels are welcome. Cost \$350.

Friday, May 4, 5:30-7 pm. Wine reception open house at On the Waterfront Gallery, 117 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL. Meet the artist. Free admission.
To sign up, tickets available at <https://squareup.com/store/on-the-waterfront-gallery> or call 850-653-9699 to register.
Workshop Supplies List: Suzanne Morris Workshops Supplies
Suzanne's website: <https://suzannemorrisstudios.com/workshop/17623/weekend-warrior-workshop>
Suzanne's paintings will be on display and available to purchase.

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