

Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce

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The Pearl of the Panhandle



Friday, March 31, 2017

April-Busy month!

Sat 1st Sumi-E Demonstration 1 pm. A Free Coastal Art Showcase Event sponsored by the Carrabelle Artists Assoc. at Rio Carrabelle. Workshop presented by Suzanne Zimmerman. For more info, call (850) 294-9664

Sat 1st Tonyas Hope Day at the American Legion Post 82, Lanark Village. Benefiting residents being treated for cancer.

Yard Sale 9 am. Memorial Service & grace at noon followed by a Boston Butt dinner for \$ 10 Plate. **Music by Debi Jordan** Noon-3 pm **Auction at 2 pm. Cash Raffle drawn at 6 pm**

Tues 4th Oysters 101 1-4 pm at the Nature Center (ANERR), 108 Island Dr, Eastpoint. Free. Please register for the class in advance. Contact Emily Jackson (850) 670-7743 or email emily.a.jackson@dep.state.fl.us

Thurs 6th Translating the Language of Life: Chemical Ecology as Planetary Drug Discovery 7-8 pm Part of the Conservation lecture Series by the FSU Coastal Marine Lab, St. Teresa. Refreshments are available before talk in Auditorium. Call (850) 697-4120 or go to www.marinelab.fsu.edu for more info.

Fri 7th Meet the Artist Wine & Cheese Reception-8 pm. A Coastal Art Showcase Event sponsored by the Carrabelle Artists Assoc. at Rio Carrabelle. For info, call (850) 294-9664

Sat 8th Florida Lighthouse Day Celebration Climb the Crooked River Lighthouse from 1-4 pm, Adults \$ 5, kids climb FREE! Museum open noon-5 pm with complimentary refreshments. For more info, call (850) 697-2732

Sat 8th Pottery Demonstration & Workshop for adults 1-3 pm. A Free Coastal Art Showcase Event sponsored by the Carrabelle Artists Assoc. at Rio Carrabelle. Workshop presented by Marian Morris. For more info, call (850) 294-9664

Sat 8th Bay Friendly Landscaping Workshop 1 pm-3:30 pm Nature Center (ANERR), 108 Island Dr, Eastpoint. Free. Please register for the class in advance. Contact Emily Jackson (850) 670-7743

Sun 9th Free Kayak 101 & Paddling Tour at St. George Island State Park 1:30 -4:30 pm Great tour for beginners. Reserve your place on the tour & reserve your boat & equipment by calling (850) 927-2111. (Reservations are required even if you bring your own kayak.) Space is limited. Children over 12 & older & must be accompanied by an adult. No fees except your park admission charge.

Tues 11th Fertilizer, Compost & Mulches: Making Plants Grow 1:30-3:00 pm at the Eastpoint Library presented by: Les Harrison, Wakulla County Extension Director. Free & open to the public. Call (850) 670-8151 for more info.

Thurs 27th Board of Directors meeting 4:30 pm

Member meeting/mixer at 6 pm

Both at the Crooked River Grill, St. James

\$12 per person including unlimited tea and water, other beverages available for purchase.

Bring &/or win some door prizes!

Open forum meeting...a great opportunity to let your Chamber know how we're doing and to give input and suggestions. Mixers are Open to the public, look forward to seeing you there!



The Inaugural Carrabelle Culture Crawl on March 25th

What a great event presented by Carrabelle History Museum ! Plenty of browsers wandering the streets & a few characters too! Music throughout the whole Carrabelle downtown area. And perfect weather too! My favorite part? All the happy, excited people discovering the town & all its charms. Sponsored by Carrabelle Cares, Chamber & Artist's Assoc. Funded in part by the FCTDC.



Franklin County Senior Center volunteers enjoyed the comradery and help given by senior missionaries Elder Jim Ross and Sister Shirley Ross of the Church of the Latter Day Saints. The couple lived in Carrabelle for six months and helped with every week's Thursday lunch preparation and serving. Sadly, with the end of their mission, they recently had to return to Idaho. Cook Brenda Bottles (in apron) gives going away gifts to volunteers Shirley and Jim Ross. Jim and Shirley Ross receive appreciation plaque from President Rick Moore.

Fri 14th Estuary Class 12 pm-4:00 pm Nature Center (ANERR), 108 Island Dr, Eastpoint. \$ 20 (Rain date is April 28th) Please register for the class in advance. Contact Emily Jackson (850) 670-7743

Sat 15th Artists at work: Acrylic Paint Demonstration 10 am-noon. A Free Coastal Art Showcase Event sponsored by the Carrabelle Artists Assoc. at Rio Carrabelle. Workshop by Alvin Howard. For more info, call (850) 294-9664

Tues 18th Garden Insects: The Good, The Bad & The Buggy 1:30-3:00 pm at the Carrabelle Library presented by: Les Harrison, Wakulla County Extension Director. Free & open to the public. Call (850) 697-2366 for more info.

Sat 22nd Earth day-2017 FSU Coastal Marine Lab Open House, Coastal Literacy-connecting Marine Science & Society 10 am-3 pm For more info, contact fsucml@fsu.edu (850-697-4120).

Sat 22nd Birding the Bay A day-long birding event on the Forgotten Coast for birders of all levels, from advanced to beginners. Professionally-led tours \$ 45. Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve, 108 Island Dr., Eastpoint. For more info, (850) 670-7700 or www.birdingthebay.eventbrite.com

Carrabelle Riverfront Festival-Downtown Carrabelle Fri 21st 4-8 pm & Sat 22nd 10 am- 6 pm

Sat 22nd Tate's Hell & Back 5K Run/Walk Race starts at 8 am, pre-registration & pickup starts at 6:45 am. at the Carrabelle Christian Center, 142 River Road. This event benefits Franklin County Senior Citizens Center in Carrabelle. For Race Day registration, t-shirts are on a first come basis. For more info, contact BeLinda Wharton (850) 544-5410 or bhwharton@gmail.com. Applications are also available at the Chamber office.

Sat 22nd 4th Annual Car Show by Forgotten Coast Cruisers & the Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce 10 am-4 pm On Hwy 98 across from Fathom's Restaurant. For more info call Bobby Turner (850) 323-1450 or Jim Ward (850) 370-0680. Vehicle registration forms are available at the Chamber office.

Sat 22nd Introduction to Kayaking & Archery 10:30 am and 1:30 pm Free field trips from the Carrabelle Riverfront Festival to Rock Landing Recreation Area. For more info, contact (850) 697-0010

Sat 22nd Pastel Portrait Demonstration 1 pm. A Free Coastal Art Showcase Event sponsored by the Carrabelle Artists Assoc. at Rio Carrabelle. Workshop presented by Wynn Hasselgren. For more info, call (850) 294-9664

Sat 22nd Fishy Fashion Show at the Riverfront Festival- Learn the "Dos and Do Knots" of coastal couture! Main stage by the Marine St. Pavilion.

Sat 22nd Big Daddy & Red Hot Java Returns! 8 pm at Rio Carrabelle. Experience this incredible seven piece band & enjoy a "finest all Beef Hot Dog" served up by Mr. V. \$ 15 at the door. Reservations suggested @ riocarrabelle@gmail.com Questions? Call Rob at (850) 307-0098

Sat 29th Explore the Black Backwater of Tate's Hell Swamp 10 am- 2 pm. A four mile intermediate canoe/kayak trip led by Instructor, Serge LaTour, Owner, LaLutra LLC, Kayak/Canoe Guide & Certified Green Guide. Cost only \$ 22. Call (850) 661-2461 for more info.



Photo of President Rick Moore of **Senior Citizens Council** thanking Richard Jaskowski for his generous donation of a new, full-size microwave for the Franklin County Senior Center in Carrabelle. Mr. Jaskowski made the donation to honor the memory of his wife.

Planning on participating in RiverTrek '17?

This is five days in October, 106 miles, wonderful people, & great fun! But hurry, the team will be selected by mid-April. For more info, go to www.apalachicolariverkeeper.org/rivertrek/

Events on Multiple Dates:

Sat 1st & Sun 2nd-License –free freshwater fishing days For more details:

www.myfwc.com/license/recreational/do-i-need-a-license/free-fishing/

Weekends--March 25th-April 22nd Coastal Art Showcase sponsored by the Carrabelle Artist Association & Rio Carrabelle Gallery Corner of Hwy 98 & Tallahassee Street in Carrabelle.

Attention Bird Watchers! Saturdays in April starting 4/8: Skip's Birding Tips at the youth camp area, St. George Island State Park. 9:00 am. Program is free with paid admission into the park. (4/8, 4/15, 4/22, & 4/29) Guided walk during the full swing of spring migration! Call (850) 927-2111 for more info.

Feb 2nd-April 13th AARP Foundation Tax-Aide at the Franklin County Public Libraries Carrabelle Branch Thurs 10 am-3 pm 4/6 Call (850) 697-2366 for appointment; Eastpoint Branch Thurs 10 am-3 pm 4/13 Call (850) 670-8151 for appointment. Walk-ins welcome.

For more in-depth assistance in preparing your tax returns, Call for an appointment with one of our Chamber Members:

Friedman Financial Advisors, Eastpoint—(850) 670-1253

Roberson & Associates, PA, Carrabelle—(850) 697-2542

The PanCare Medical Bus will be at the PanCare Dental Facility in Carrabelle, 106 NE 5th St. 10 am-4 pm. 4/18 & 5/16 Offers Physicals, Exams, Primary Care, Urgent Care & Flu Shots. For an appointment, call (850) 247-9834

For More info on any of these area events

See our website www.carrabelle.org under "Things to Do" Events Calendar or the Community Calendar under "The Area"

Events Further afield:

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Or go to

www.oysterradio.com or www.forgottencoastline.com or

www.saltyflorida.com

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