



# Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce

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*The Pearl of the Panhandle*



Monday, January 22, 2018

## January

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> The Basics of Better Living: Creating a Budget that Works** present at the Eastpoint Branch of the Franklin County Public Library 1:30 pm Free & open to the public. Call (850) 670-8151 for info.

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Tara Burns, Vocalist from New York at Rio Carrabelle**—Doors open at 7 pm, Performance 8 pm Call Rob at (850) 307-0098 for more info or purchase advance tickets at: [www.riocarrabelle.com](http://www.riocarrabelle.com)

**Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Spaghetti Dinner** Served between 5-6 pm at Chillas Hall sponsored by the Lanark Village Golf Club. Wonderful Italian dinner, good times & friends. \$ 8 donation which will benefit the restoration & maintenance of the non-profit golf course & the only medical helipad site in this area.

**Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Nautical Nostalgia: A Conversation on Ferry and Party Boats of Carrabelle** 10 am-Noon at the FC Senior Center. Another free & open to the public event that is hosted by the Carrabelle History Museum. For more info, call (850) 697-2141.

**Sun 28<sup>th</sup> Classic INConcert with reception-Tara Burns, Vocalist from New York** 4 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church, 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Apalachicola. \$ 10 per person donation at the door.

## February

**Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Eastpoint Soup, Bread & Book Sale** at the Eastpoint Branch of the FC Library. Book sales open at 10 am, soup and bread sales at 11 am. Call Pam at (850) 927-9423 for more info.

**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Healthy Cooking Demonstration** 11:30 am at the Franklin County Senior Center presented by the Big Bend Rural Health Network. For more info, contact Wynton Geary (850) 224-1177 or email [wgeary@bigbendahec.org](mailto:wgeary@bigbendahec.org)

**Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Jamell Richardson "The Gulf Coast Blues Boy"---Pure Intensity at Rio Carrabelle**—Doors open at 7 pm, Performance 8 pm Call Rob at (850) 307-0098 for more info or purchase advance tickets at: [www.riocarrabelle.com](http://www.riocarrabelle.com)

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> The 7th Annual Apalachicola Mardi Gras Barkus Parade—BourBone Street Blues** Festivities start at 11 am at the Riverfront Park in Apalachicola, Parade at 1 pm-- Be part of the fun - dress up yourself, your dog, even your bicycle or golf cart! Entry fee for golf carts \$ 25, Walkers \$ 5 & Dogs parade for free!

**Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Classic INConcert with reception-Tallahassee Bach Parley** 4 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church, 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Apalachicola. \$ 10 per person donation at the door.

## Happy New Year Everyone!

We certainly started this year with a bit of cold! Fortunately, our weather is returning to our usual "winter" temperatures of 40s at night and upper 60s daytime. Great weather to get outside and enjoy all the great things to do in the Carrabelle area as a visitor or a stay-cation!

Was one of your New Year's resolutions "Join the Carrabelle Chamber"? We would like to extend a special invitation to all area businesses and organizations to make 2018 THE YEAR to help our community grow with the many cost-effective marketing opportunities becoming a Carrabelle Chamber Member has to offer.

Promote your business today! Join us and other community members and bring more customers to your door. Let's face it, visitors use the internet to find the ideal travel destination or service business to meet their needs, and we will give you a stronger presence in the business community. Chamber Members enjoy the benefits of visibility on our website, Facebook, email, Chamber Mixers, Newsletters, phone referrals, and of course, radio.

Already a Member? We appreciate your trust and confidence! Refer a friend. We have also expanded our participation in events that showcase the unique qualities and interests of our town, the residents, and the area. You can also show your support of our programs by joining as an individual supporter or volunteer. Remember, YOU put the U in community! For more information about the many ways we can help your business grow, call us or stop in. We'll be happy to work with you to customize YOUR Chamber marketing plan.

## Franklin County residents will be able to renew their driver's licenses in Franklin County beginning next March.

Currently people have to travel to Port St. Joe or Crawfordville to get it done and that adds a lot of time and expense to the process. Tax collector, Rick Watson, told County Commissioners he intends to have the service up and running on March 19<sup>th</sup> at the Franklin County Courthouse Annex in Apalachicola. The office will be able to deal with driver's licenses, ID cards, reinstatements as well as written and skills exams.

Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Super Bowl Party at the Crooked River Grill Details available soon or call (850) 697-5050 for more info.

Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Understanding Grief & Loss-Free workshop for residents, caregivers & staff. 2 pm St. James Health & Rehab by Covenant Care. For More info, call (850) 575-4998 or [www.choosecovenant.org](http://www.choosecovenant.org)

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Fri 16<sup>th</sup> FAMU Jazz Faculty Allstar Jam at Rio Carrabelle—Doors open at 7 pm, Performance 8 pm Call Rob at (850) 307-0098 for more info or purchase advance tickets at: [www.riocarrabelle.com](http://www.riocarrabelle.com)

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Jack & Jill Golf Tournament at St. James Bay Shotgun start 11:30 am. Format-Mixed (Man/Lady) 2-Player Scramble. For more info, go to: <http://www.stjamesbay.com/2018/02/jack-jill-2-player-mixed-scramble/>

Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Classic INConcert with reception-Benjamin Sung, Violinist; & Silviu Ciulei, Guitarist 4 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church, 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Apalachicola. \$ 10 per person donation at the door.

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> “Chicago Jazz Legend” Bob Dogan at Rio Carrabelle—Doors open at 7 pm, Performance 8 pm Call Rob at (850) 307-0098 for more info or purchase advance tickets at: [www.riocarrabelle.com](http://www.riocarrabelle.com)

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Soup, Bread and Book Sale at the Carrabelle Branch of the Franklin County Public Library...Save the date, details to follow.

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Classic INConcert with reception-Sammy Tedder, Americana Composer & The Adventures of Annabelle Lyn 4 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church, 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Apalachicola. \$ 10 per person donation at the door.

**For More info on any Carrabelle Chamber member events & activities**

See our website [www.carrabelle.org](http://www.carrabelle.org) under “Things to Do” Events Calendar or the Community Calendar

**Events Further afield:** Listen to WOYS 100.5 FM Oyster Radio, [www.oysterradio.com](http://www.oysterradio.com) or [www.forgottencoastline.com](http://www.forgottencoastline.com) or [www.saltyflorida.com](http://www.saltyflorida.com)

**Executive Board**

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**Lewis Christie**/Christie’s Cottage Living

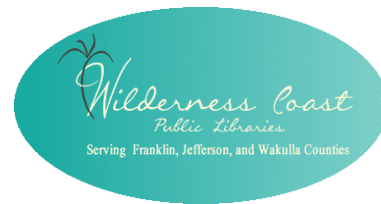
**Executive Director**-Lisa Munson

**Total [www.carrabelle.org](http://www.carrabelle.org) Website Visitors:**  
**Jan 1-Jan 21: 13,532**

**Welcome to our New Members:**



Hi! We are a family owned and operated heating and air conditioning business. My husband has been doing this work for over 18 years and got his state license in March of 2017. Our goal is to help as many people as we can in our community and yours! On our Facebook and Instagram, we provide a lot of self-help tips and then, of course, if you need further assistance, you can call us 24 hours at (850) 688-3581 or check out our website at [www.franklinshvac.com](http://www.franklinshvac.com)



**Wilderness Coast Public Libraries** provides shared library services throughout the 3-County area of Franklin, Jefferson, and Wakulla. Our mission is to enhance the lives of the citizens of these counties by providing access to information and materials to meet the educational, informational, cultural, and recreational needs of those citizens through shared technology and resources. For more information, go to our website: [www.wildernesscoast.org](http://www.wildernesscoast.org)

	Visitors at our Visitor's Center				Phone Inquiries & Referrals			
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2014	2015	2016	2017
Jan	51	106	131	215	14	71	86	58
Feb	111	167	233	233	19	61	85	93
Mar	163	171	248	428	23	69	157	87
Apr	118	178	226	268	45	84	119	81
May	66	137	160	176	18	83	85	76
Jun	64	153	171	172	30	109	94	75
Jul	80	133	188	261	26	118	118	84
Aug	52	125	93	113	28	89	92	86
Sept	56	109	111	123	32	73	102	113
Oct	76	152	147	153	30	98	96	41
Nov	79	113	203	227	12	67	102	166
Dec	62	142	189	174	82	139	162	163
Totals	978	1,686	2,100	2,543	359	1,061	1,298	1,123