

The Pearl of the Panhandle

Carrabelle Area Chamber of Commerce

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Friday, Jan. 22, 2016

January

Fri 22nd INCONCERT- Carlos Odria Trio 7:30 pm Rio Carrabelle \$15 per person www.inconcertapalachicola.org

Sat 23rd Art in Nature: The Art of Observing and Drawing Marine Specimens FSU Coastal & Marine Lab Workshop, St. Teresa, 10 am-1 pm; \$ 80 person, \$ 75 student (850) 697-4120 or www.mariwwwnelab.fsu.edu

Sat 23rd AARP Smart Driver Course 9am-4 pm FC Senior Citizen Center, Carrabelle, Call Gathana for reservations (850) 697-3760 www.aarp.org/drive

Sat 23rd Camp Gordon Johnson WWII Museum Movie "We Were Soldiers" 10:15 am FREE popcorn!

Sat 23rd Spaghetti Fest 4:30-7 pm Chillas Hall, Lanark Village Sponsored ty the Lanark Village Golf Club

Fri 29th INCONCERT- Jazz Copeland 7:30 pm Rio Carrabelle \$ 15 per person www.inconcertapalachicola.org

Sat 30th Soup, Sandwich & Dessert 11 am-1 pm at Chillas Hall, Sat Sat 30th Camp Gordon Johnson WWII Museum Movie, "Wake Island" 10:15 am FREE popcorn!

Sat 30th **Fourth Saturday Paddle** Apalachicola Riverkeeper (850) 653-8936 or email georgiaackerman@earthlink.net

February

Fri 5th INCONCERT- Boyce Griffith Sextet 7:30 pm Rio Carrabelle \$ 15 per person www.inconcertapalachicola.org

Fri 12th INCONCERT- Tyler Tolles Quartet 7:30 pm Rio Carrabelle \$ 15 per person www.inconcertapalachicola.org

Fri 19th INCONCERT- Samuel Winternheimer Quarter 7:30 pm Rio Carrabelle \$ 15 per person www.inconcertapalachicola.org

Sat 20th & Sun 21st African-American History Festival Apalachicola www.hcola.org

Fri 26th INCONCERT- Brandon Robertson's Soul Hour 7:30 pm Rio Carrabelle \$ 15 per person www.inconcertapalachicola.org

See our website www.carrabelle.org under "Things to Do"

Entertainment/Events for More info

Events Further afield:

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www.oysterradio.com or www.forgottencoastline.com



Welcome New Member: Aflac Call Christen Chason (850) 556-2921 to explore your options!

www.aflac.com or christen chason@us.aflac.com

Parade Participants, Exhibitors, Craft and Food Vendors Now Being Accepted for Camp Gordon Johnston Days

The Camp Gordon Johnston Days currently has booth space available for artists, craftspeople, food vendors and exhibitors. Parade (Bands, Veterans, Military Vehicles) applications are being accepted as well. The event will be held on Saturday, March 12 from 9:00am-5:00pm in historic Carrabelle, Florida; the parade begins at 10:45 am.

Now in its 21st year, Camp Gordon Johnston Days celebrates and honors the service of all United States veterans from all Wars. Carrabelle and the surrounding area was known as Camp Gordon Johnston from 1942-1946 during World War II. The men who trained in this area were paramount in the Normandy invasion, and the Pacific campaigns. The highlight of Camp Gordon Johnston Days is a parade with marching bands, veterans, and dozens of historic military vehicles including tanks, jeeps, and an amphibian DUKW used during military training on Carrabelle Beach during WWII.

Commercial vendors who specialize in patriotic or military items, and people who would like to exhibit their military collections are encouraged to participate. Space and electricity is limited. Interested vendors and parade participants are welcome to download the application forms on the CGJ Museum website, www.campgordonjohnston.com, pick up at the museum during open hours or email Mike Horvath at mhorvath@fairpoint.net Application deadline is February 26, 2016.



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Total www.carrabelle.org Website Visitors: Jan 1-Jan 17: 5,379

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Total New Carrabelle Area Chamber Members 2016: 1 Total New Carrabelle Area Chamber Members 2015: 50

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| | <u>2014</u> | <u>2015</u> | <u>2016</u> | <u>% Inc</u> | <u>2014</u> | <u>2015</u> | <u>2016</u> % Ir |
| Jan | 51 | 106 | | | 30 | 75 | |
| Feb | 111 | 167 | | | 27 | 63 | |
| Mar | 163 | 171 | | | 25 | 74 | Ho Banks Util 1% 1 Real Estate Brokers 2% |
| Apr | 118 | 178 | | | 41 | 47 | |
| May | 66 | 137 | | | 26 | 79 | |
| Jun | 64 | 153 | | | 66 | 90 | |
| Jul | 80 | 133 | | | 36 | 66 | |
| Aug | 52 | 125 | | | 36 | 70 | |
| Sept | 56 | 109 | | | 21 | 37 | |
| Oct | 76 | 152 | | | 22 | 25 | |
| Nov | 79 | 113 | | | 19 | 31 | |
| Dec | <u>62</u> | <u>142</u> | | | <u>32</u> | <u>26</u> | |
| Totals | 978 | 1,686 | | | 381 | 683 | |
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Membership Composition 2015

| Type of Membership | # | % of Member Invest | |
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| Individual | 11 | 0.06 | |
| Non-Profit | 22 | 0.13 | |
| Real Estate Agents | 4 | 0.04 | |
| General Business | 50 | 0.46 | |
| Real Estate Brokers | 2 | 0.04 | |
| Banks | 1 | 0.02 | |
| Utilities | 1 | 0.02 | |
| Hospitals | 2 | 0.04 | |
| Educational Facilities | 2 | 0.04 | |
| Lodging < 15 Rooms | 5 | 0.06 | |
| Lodging 15 Rooms or More | <u>5</u> | 0.09 | |
| | 105 | 1.00 | |

2016 Miss Seahawk Pageant

Deadline to enter is February 23!! Entry forms should be turned in and intent to participate be known to Lynn Clark ASAP! Payment must be made by February 23!! No late entries accepted. Must be enrolled as a student at Franklin County School. (850) 670-2800 for more info.



Our help is free, individualized and no strings attached. And we're right her in your community at the

Carrabelle Branch of Franklin County Public Library Thursdays-2/4, 2/28, 3/3, 3/17, 3/31, 4/7 --- 1 till 5 pm

We offer free tax help to low- and moderate-income tax-payers, especially those 60 and older. Call (850) 697-2366 or sign up for appointment at the library.

