



*The Pearl of the Panhandle*

# Carrabelle Area Chamber of Commerce

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Friday, Oct. 30, 2015

## Welcome New Member: Harry's Bar and Discount Liquors

### October Events

**Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Camp Gordon Johnson WWII Museum Movie "When Trumpets Fade"** The 28<sup>th</sup> division trained at Camp Gordon Johnston. 10:15 am FREE popcorn!

**Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Halloween Costume Party & Dance** 7 pm Chillas Hall, Lanark Village-Lanark Village Association \$ 5 Donation. Bring finger food & BYOB (850) 408-1308 for more info.

**Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Halloween at Harry's**-Harry's Bar on Marine St. Starting at 3:30 pm with kickoff FL/GA game. Costume contest, raffle, prizes, drink specials, munchies, Mae West Band (850) 697-9982 or [www.harrysbarandpackage.com](http://www.harrysbarandpackage.com)

Remember to set your clocks back 1 hour before going to bed!

### November Events-So Far

**Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Blood Drive** 11 am-4 pm **George E. Weems Memorial Hospital, Apalachicola.** All donors will receive a OneBlood t-shirt & a wellness checkup including blood pressure, temperature, iron count & cholesterol screening!

ID Required-Make an appointment online at [www.oneblooddonor.org](http://www.oneblooddonor.org) & use sponsor code # 27900

**Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Community Day of Empowerment** 10 am-1 pm FC Senior Center (850) 414-2328 or [griffinjc@elderaffairs.org](mailto:griffinjc@elderaffairs.org) FREE Informational Event for Seniors & Caregivers presented by the SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) Program

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Yard Sale** 8:30 am-4 pm Lanark Village Golf Course (850) 697-9018 Donations are needed (no clothes) Will pick-up & store before the sale. Benefits the maintenance & restoration of the golf course which is used for the medical helipad.

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> & Sat 7<sup>th</sup> The 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual FL Seafood Festival** Battery Park, Apalachicola [www.floridaseafoodfestival.com](http://www.floridaseafoodfestival.com)

**Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Art in Nature Workshop-Real Florida: The philosophy & artistry of photography with Rex Adams** 2:30 pm-7:30 pm Registration closes Nov 4<sup>th</sup> FSU Coastal & Marine Laboratory, St. Teresa (850) 697-4120 [www.marinelab.fsu.edu](http://www.marinelab.fsu.edu)

**Sat 7<sup>th</sup> & Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Battle at the Bay**-2 player-St. James Bay Golf Resort (850) 697-9606 [www.stjamesbay.com](http://www.stjamesbay.com)

**Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Veteran's Day**-See activities in right hand column

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## DISTRICT WIDE CELEBRATION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Franklin County School-1250 Hwy 98, Eastpoint, FL  
Breakfast for Veterans & spouses at 9:00 am in the FC Media Center

### Franklin County School Gymnasium at 10:00 a.m. THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND!

Franklin County School and Apalachicola Bay Charter School students in Grades 2 through 12 will be honoring our Veterans in this special tribute.

Join **Wakulla Springs State Park** and the **Camp Gordon Johnston WW II Museum** on Wednesday November 11, 2015 for a Veterans Day celebration. The event will take place in the lobby of the historic Wakulla Springs Lodge from **1:00 pm until 4:00 pm**. In honor of our military veterans park entry fees will be waived for all park visitors the day of the event. Wander through the past as you take in the World War II era artifacts and memorabilia on display from the Camp Gordon Johnston Museum. Relax on the couch and enjoy historic film of troop training maneuvers conducted at Wakulla Springs in the early 1940s. Park and museum staff will be on site to discuss their shared history of troop training and recreation. Savor a delicious lunch in the Dining Room at the Wakulla Springs lodge before the event, or an early dinner after. Bring the family to Wakulla Springs State Park for a fun and informative salute to veterans.

**Camp Gordon Johnston WW II Museum will be open** on this national Veterans Day remembrance holiday. Honor your veteran hero with a marker or sponsorship for the Salute to Veterans golf tournament. Go to [www.campgordonjohnston.com](http://www.campgordonjohnston.com) for more info.

A **memorial brick** at the **Crooked River Lighthouse** is a great and lasting tribute to thank a Veteran for their service to our country. Stop by the Crooked River Lighthouse gift shop or call (850) 697-2732

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> & Sat 14<sup>th</sup> The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Salute to Veterans Golf Tournament St. Joseph Bay Golf Club, Port St. Joe. Proceeds to support Camp Gordon Johnston WW II Museum (850) 687-8575 or [www.campgordonjohnston.com](http://www.campgordonjohnston.com)

**Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Carrabelle Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Meeting- Noon- Carrabelle Library**

**Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving lunch** Noon at the FC Senior Citizen Center in Carrabelle \$ 5 suggested donation. \$ 1 Raffle tickets for desserts!

**Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Happy Thanksgiving!**

**Sat 28<sup>st</sup> Camp Gordon Johnson WWII Museum Movie** 10:15 am FREE popcorn!

See our website [www.carrabelle.org](http://www.carrabelle.org) under "Things to Do"

Entertainment/Events for More info

Events Further afield:

Listen to **WOYS 100.5 FM Oyster Radio** Or go to

[www.oysterradio.com](http://www.oysterradio.com) or [www.forgottencoastline.com](http://www.forgottencoastline.com)

**Weems Links to Florida Health Finder** [www.weemsmemorial.com](http://www.weemsmemorial.com) now features a link to the FloridaHealthFinder.gov, a comprehensive collection of help and information links for consumers. On FloridaHealthFinder.gov, you can learn about medical conditions, symptoms, procedures, tests and more. You can compare prescription drug prices, compare insurance programs, and even download an app to look up medical information on your mobile device.



**Executive Board**

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**Representatives**

**Chester Reese**-FC Tourist Development Council

**David Butler**-Big Bend Scenic Byway Board

**Tourist Talk**--A compilation of news items from the Franklin County TDC Administrative Offices

**Curt Blair – Administrator Laura Graham – Executive Assistant**

**October 2015**

**September Meeting Schedule:**

The November meeting schedule for the TDC is as follows:

TDC Board will meet on November 4, 2015 beginning at 2:00 P.M. at the Eastpoint Visitor Center.

TDC Committees will meet on November 18, 2015 at 2:00 P.M. at the Eastpoint Visitor Center.

**Requests for Proposals:**

The FCTDC will be upgrading its Web Site at [www.saltyflorida.com](http://www.saltyflorida.com) over the next several months. In an effort to update and increase its photo and video libraries, it is desirous of obtaining both photos and video clips from photographers and videographers that specialize in Franklin County subjects. For a copy of the complete RFPs for both video and photo production go to the TDC website at [www.saltyflorida.com](http://www.saltyflorida.com) and click on Administration.

**Sustaining Grant Recipient Meetings:**

Over the next couple of months TDC staff will be meeting with the organization's Sustaining Grant Recipients to discuss the review Board members have voted to perform on grant recipients and additional marketing possibilities. Grant recipients will be contacted by the TDC to set a meeting time.

**Pilot Marketing Projects:**

The TDC will hear a recommendation by staff and Vendors to create a special marketing package for non-profits that wish to cater to mid-week and other low occupancy periods. The TDC will not only be attempting to fill beds in the off season, but during the mid-week periods as well. Non-profit groups that are able to design activities for the mid-week will be eligible for additional marketing dollars under the proposed program. More information will be included in the next Tourist Talk Edition.

**Workshop on Camp Gordon Johnston:**

TDC Board members met with representatives of Camp Gordon Johnston Museum on Wednesday October 21 to discuss the Museum plans for construction of their new facility at Carrabelle Beach.

**731 Highway 98, Eastpoint, Florida 32328. Phone 850-670-3474.**

Check out local events at [www.saltyflorida.com](http://www.saltyflorida.com)

	<u>Visitor's Center</u>			<u>Brochures Sent</u>		
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>% Inc</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>% Inc</u>
Jan	51	106	208	30	75	250
Feb	111	167	150	27	63	233
Mar	163	171	105	25	74	296
Apr	118	178	151	41	47	115
May	66	137	208	26	79	304
Jun	64	153	239	66	90	136
Jul	80	133	166	36	66	183
Aug	52	125	240	36	70	194
Sept	56	109	195	21	37	176
Oct	76			22		
Nov	79			19		
Dec	<u>62</u>			<u>32</u>		
Totals	978			381		

Total Web Website Visitors Jan 1-Oct 11: 136,462

Total New Members Year-to-date: 49

(Includes return Memberships of pre-2014 Members)