



# Carrabelle Area Chamber of Commerce

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Sat 5<sup>th</sup> License-Free Saltwater Fishing Day  
 Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Happy Labor Day!  
 St. James Bay Golf Resort will be open  
 Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Franklin County Senior Center Annual Full Membership Meeting to elect Board of Directors 2 pm  
 Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> Lecture: Where are the fish? Examining reef fish habitats and population in the Gulf of Mexico FSU Coastal & Marine Laboratory Auditorium 7 pm (850) 697-3887 or [fsuml@fsu.edu](mailto:fsuml@fsu.edu)  
 Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Patriot's Day –Veterans' Service Office will be at the FC Public Library in Carrabelle 2 pm-5:30 pm (850) 697-2366  
 Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Early People of the Forgotten Coast – presented by the Carrabelle History Museum 10 am-2-pm at the Franklin County Senior Center FREE ADMISSION (850) 697-2141  
 Mon 14<sup>th</sup> The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Bass Golf Tournament 8 am Proceeds to benefit Big Bend Hospice. (850) 878-5310  
 Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Tallahassee Stix Golf Classic 9 am Tee time St. James Bay Golf & Resort [Tallahassee.stix@gmail.com](mailto:Tallahassee.stix@gmail.com)  
 Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Franklin County Coastal Cleanup 8:30-11:30 am (850) 927-3776 or [adalong@uab.edu](mailto:adalong@uab.edu)  
 Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Melodime for teens interested in making music FC Library in Carrabelle 4 pm (850) 697-2366 or [www.fcpl.wildernesscoast.org](http://www.fcpl.wildernesscoast.org)  
 Sat 26<sup>nd</sup> Smithsonian Magazine Museum Day at the Camp Gordon Johnston WW II Museum 10 am until 4 pm Admission by donation (850) 697-8575 or [www.campgordonjohnston.com](http://www.campgordonjohnston.com)  
 Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Exploring Nature: Enjoying the Miracle of Bird Watching FSU Coastal & Marine Lab 8 am-12pm Registration & Pre-payment required (850) 697-4120 [www.marinelab.fsu.edu](http://www.marinelab.fsu.edu)  
 Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Fourth Saturday Paddle Apalachicola Riverkeeper (850) 653-8936 or email [georgiaackerman@earthlink.net](mailto:georgiaackerman@earthlink.net)  
 Sat 26<sup>th</sup> CGJ Movie 10:15 am FREE popcorn!  
 Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Super Harvest Blood Moon eclipse-Climb the Crooked River Lighthouse To reserve a spot (850) 697-2732 or email [carrabellelighthouse@gmail.com](mailto:carrabellelighthouse@gmail.com)  
 Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Legislative Delegation Meeting with Representative Halsey Beshears & Senator Bill Montford 7 pm FC Courthouse Annex, Apalachicola  
 Tues 29<sup>th</sup> Florida Celebrates World Heart Day at the Carrabelle Senior Center 11 am-1 pm Learn hands only CPR and other live saving skills! Flu vaccine clinic

*The Pearl of the Panhandle*



Friday, Sept. 4, 2015

Open Labor Day  
 Stop in and visit!

Board of Directors Meeting  
 Wed. Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> Noon  
 Carrabelle Library



Congratulations Hog Wild Bar-B-Q  
 On 13 years of wonderful food and service to the community!

**Attention Business Owners that accept credit cards:**

Is your business ready to accept the new **EMV chip cards** that are coming? Beginning **October 2015**, merchants should have credit card terminals that can accept these new cards. Most new equipment will be able to accept EMV cards, NFC and Apple pay. This is going to help reduce credit card fraud at the terminal, it's also going to change the way you process transactions.

If you would like to save money on your processing, have a new EMV terminal placed at your business with possibly no upfront costs, have any questions, or would like more information about these upcoming changes, please feel free to call me:

**Courtney Chason Mainstream Merchant Services (850) 628-6208**



**Other news from the Carrabelle Public Library: New programs!**

**Book it Baby "Bib" Storytime**-Starting Sept 15<sup>th</sup> on Tues. Mornings 10:00am-10:30 am For ages 0-3 Parent/Caregiver & Baby Story Time

**"TNT" Teens-N-Tuesday** –Started 9/1- A teen after school program for ages 13-18 in the Carrabelle Library Teen Room-You will have an EXPLOSIVE time!

**Carrabelle Branch Library** would like to thank Sergeant Greg Daniels of Franklin County Correctional Institution along with his constituents and K-9's Keiser (bloodhound), Ellie Mae and Minnie Pearl (beagles)!

On Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, library patrons were educated on the specifics of training and utilizing the search and rescue efforts of their K-9's by a power-point slideshow and a field demonstration outside on surrounding library grounds. There was a great turnout and the program was enjoyed by children and adults!

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)

(Reminder: Members please forward your events for the next month by the third week of the prior month in order for them to be included in the Coastline Newspaper under area events)

**Executive Board**

President-**Cher Novaria**/At Your Service Concierge  
 Vice President- **Skip Frink**/Old Carrabelle Hotel  
 Secretary-**Tonia Chisholm**/FC Public Library-Carrabelle  
 Treasurer- **Paul Marxsen**/Marxsen Accounting

**Directors**

Marketing- **Sheila Hauser**/Century 21 Collins Realty  
**Bo May**/Rio Carrabelle  
**Pamela McCreery**/The Beachtrader  
**Lewis Christie**/Christie's Cottage Living

**Executive Director**-Lisa Munson

**Representatives**

**Chester Reese**-FC Tourist Development Council  
**David Butler**-Big Bend Scenic Byway Board

	Visitor's Center			Brochures Sent		
	2014	2015	% Inc	2014	2015	% Inc
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			21		
Oct	76			22		
Nov	79			19		
Dec	62			32		
Totals	978			381		

Total Web Website Visitors Jan 1-Aug 30: 117,801  
 Total New Members Year-to-date: 46  
 (Includes return Memberships of pre-2014 Members)

**Chamber Hours:**  
**Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**  
**Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**  
**Closed Sunday**

**Franklin County Visitor Center**  
**Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**  
**Saturday 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**  
**Closed Sunday**



**COMING IN OCTOBER!!**  
 Franklin County REC *Regan Day*  
*Dinner a Low Country Boil*  
 Thursday, October 22, 2015- 6 pm  
 Tickets \$35 - will be available at the  
 Sept 10 luncheon  
 Apalachicola National  
 Estuarine Research Reserve in Eastpoint

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

The Franklin County Republican Party will host a lunch - dutch treat Noon on Thursday, September 10, 2015  
 Crooked River Grill, at St James Bay in Lanark

Guest speaker - Erik Lovestrand, County Extension Director.  
 Erik will speak on his program and how it effects Franklin county.

**Brenda La Paz will offer insight on her campaign for Mayor of Carrabelle.**

**Why Big Bend Hospice?**

Each day, families deal with the difficult responsibility of caring for a companion, friend, or loved one living with a terminal illness. Many times, the situation is presented to individuals and their families as an unpleasant circumstance. Big Bend Hospice provides hope, by approaching the circumstance as one of life's most precious opportunities—an opportunity to live each day to the fullest! Whether it's spending precious moments with family and friends or taking up a new hobby— with Big Bend Hospice, patients and families find peace and enjoyment in what matters most to them. There is hope with hospice, and it can be found with Big Bend Hospice.

The mission of Big Bend Hospice is to provide compassionate care to individuals with a life limiting illness, comfort to their families and emotional support to anyone who has lost a loved one.

Big Bend Hospice belongs to this community. Following the initiation of modern hospice care in the United States in 1974, medical and civic leaders in the Big Bend area received a certificate of need and in 1983 received a license from the State of Florida to provide hospice care in Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla County.

**850-878-5310 or 1-800-772-1983 [www.bigbendhospice.org](http://www.bigbendhospice.org)**

Big Bend Hospice Offers Free Grief Counseling Services: Individual grief support in Wakulla and Franklin, as well as in-services and support for workplaces, churches, etc.. As an agency we offer support groups and remembrance services and events in Leon County. BBH also provide grief education materials. Contact Melanie Lachman, LCSW, Grief Support Counselor at **850-671-6080** or by email at [Melanie@bigbendhospice.org](mailto:Melanie@bigbendhospice.org).

Interested in giving back to your community? Hospice volunteering offers a special opportunity to make a meaningful impact for both hospice patients and their families. There are many ways to volunteer for BBH! Please call Amy Dean at **850-566-7485** or email [amy@bigbendhospice.org](mailto:amy@bigbendhospice.org) to find out how you can bring your time and talents to those who need it most!



**Historic Marker Arrives**

Arriving from the foundry in Marietta, Ohio, the marker will be placed on the Museum's property across from the Carrabelle beach where the training landings occurred. The marker was the result of a matching grant from the State of Florida. Anyone interested in contributing to help pay for our share can send a donation to the CGJ Museum at: **1001 Gray Ave., Carrabelle, FL 32322**