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## Mullet Festival Returns To Lillian

By Sally McKinney

The 35th Annual Mullet Festival sponsored by the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay was a special day for the Lillian community. The day dawned sunny and warm, the runners and walkers were enthusiastic, the mullet tossers enjoyed the competition and as usual, the famous Optimist Club breakfast and dinner pleased the many visitors to the Lillian Community Club.

### 2021 5K RUN WINNERS

Overall winners in the male division of the 5K Run were Charles Hammerberg, 22:51, first place; John Slice, 23:06, second; Scott Painter, 23:16, third. Female overall winners were Ashley Moore, 27:41; Jamie Howell, 30:13; and Stephanie Lopez, 30:32.

Male masters overall winner was Danny Young, 24:23; female overall



*And they're off! Runners and walkers begin the course at the 35th Annual Mullet Festival on Sept. 6. After being cancelled last year due to Covid concerns, the festival returned this year and also included breakfast, lunch, silent auction, market, prize drawings, kid's activities and the mullet toss. Complete race results are on Pages 12 and 13. Additional event photos on Pages 18, 19 and 24. (Photo by Janel Smith)*

winner was Joycelyn Craig, 31:15. Grand masters awards went to Mark Carroll, 25:01, and Deborah Trahan, 35:05. Senior grand masters awards went to William Lopez, 26:31 and Doris Moore, 36:00.

Winners in the female age group 10

-14 were Mercedes Nicely, 34:08, first place; Jordan Spivey, 36:48, second; and Kaitlyn Berry, 38:32, third. The male winner in the 10-14 age group was Will Montgomery, 47:59. In the 15-19 age group, Aidan Berry, 30:57, was the winner.

Age group 30-34 female winner was Stephanie Moore, 32:57. Male winners were Bradford Roy, 30:32; and John Devine, 32:26. In the female 35-39 age group, Samantha Buterbaugh, 31:57, was the winner.

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## Lillian Recreational Park Among Impact 100 Baldwin County Grant Finalists

Impact 100 Baldwin County is one step closer to selecting its newest grant recipients. The organization has announced the nonprofits selected as 2021 grant finalists.

The grant finalists and their projects are:

- Alabama Free Clinic: Using Innovative Technology & Education for the Uninsured Adult Diabetic
- Baldwin Pops: The Basics of Building Music 1,2,3...
- Daphne Search and Rescue: Service Afloat
- Eastern Shore Recovery Foundation: Common Ground
- Historic Blakeley Foundation: Fighting for Freedom: The USCT Battlefield Heritage Trail
- Lillian Recreational Park: A Sustainable Community Park – Doing Our Part

- Mary's Shelter: Mary's Shelter Thrift Store
- South Baldwin Literacy Council: Expanding Access to Community Education
- VOASE/Light of the City: Pathways to Success

The finalists were selected from applications reviewed by Impact 100 Baldwin County's focus groups in the categories of Arts & Culture; Education; Environment, Recreation and Preservation; Family; and Health & Wellness.

"We have seen the need in our community grow greatly in the last year," said Grants Chair Sandy Stepan. "It's more important than ever to have this group of women come together to make a difference. We look forward to spotlighting the outstanding work being done in Baldwin County by all of the finalists and to celebrate the future projects of our

2021 grantees."

Impact 100's Annual Grant Awards meeting, An Evening of Impact, is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 26. The finalists from each focus area will present their projects to Impact members at the meeting. The members will vote, and the grant recipients receiving \$90,000 each will be announced that night.

Impact 100 Baldwin County is a community of women seeking to transform the quality of life in Baldwin County by awarding high-impact grants to nonprofits working in the county. Through the power of collective giving, each member's annual \$1,000 contribution is pooled to produce these transformative grants. This year's awards will bring the grant total to over \$4 million dollars since its 2008 founding.

For more information, visit [impact100baldwincounty.org](http://impact100baldwincounty.org).



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Male winners were Gene Spivey, 24:40; Ricky Gale, 27:30; and Don Berry, 30:34.

In the female age group 40-44 Kelly Montgomery, 47:37, took first place and in the same male age group Martin Nicely, 27:14, took first. Wendy Dunbar, 33:18, received first place in the 45-49 age group and Jeff Crow, 37:55, was first in the male group.

Linda Odom, 35:58, was first in the 50-54 female age group; Kendra Laconsay, 36:49, second; and Lisa Brown, 38:24, third. First place in the male 50-54 age group was Tommy Callaway, 42:51. In the female 55-59 age group Patricia Veal, 41:17, took first place. In the male group Patrick Brown, 38:17, was first and Thomas Chapman, 41:32, second.

Winners in the female age group 60-64 was Joann Milford, 39:50, first; Sharon Nessly, 50:17, second. Male winners were Tim Titus, 30:04, first; Walt Graham, 32:32, second; and Bill Milford, 41:41, third. Female winner in the 65-69 age group was Maureen Higgins, 38:31. Male winner was Richard Nessly, 50:18.

Doug Kirby, 32:06, took first place in the male 70-74 age group; Doug Craig, 40:02, second; and Dominick Vaccaro, 43:00 third.

Deejay Wigley, 41:57, was first in the female 75-79 age group. Robert Hall, 41:09, was the winner in the male 80-89 age group.

## 2021 5K WALK WINNERS

Male overall 5K walker winners were Scott Hoxie, 41:05, first place; Ted Haley, 44:01, second; and Robert Bath, 44:09, third. Overall female walker winners were Barbara Taylor, 56:31, first place; Susan Gentry, 56:41, second; and Marina Lopez, 1:01:23, third.

Beck Gentry, 56:43, took first place in the male 50-64 age group. In the 65-69 male age group Larry Burch, 45:52, was first; Bob Mathe-son, 47:18, second; and Lee Echols, 55:39 third.

Thanks to Little Red Hen Productions, Mobile, for their participation in the run/walk events.

## 2021 MULLET TOSS CHAMPIONS

### FEMALE DIVISION:

Overall Longest Toss Winner: Myranda Rodgers 82 ft. 5 in.

### Female Age Level Winners:

2 yrs. Serenity Bowling 7 ft. 11 ½ in.  
6 yrs. Skylar Perry 26 ft. 1 in.  
7 yrs. Olivia Charbonneau 42 ft. 1 in.  
11 yrs. Evie Silsbee 44 ft. 3 in.  
13 yrs. Alyssa Morrow 65 ft. 11 in.

14 yrs. Allie Easley 46 ft. 10 in.  
16 yrs. Taylor Lewey 65 ft. 11 in.  
18-27 yrs. Katie Mines 78 ft. 7 ½ in.  
38-47 yrs. Myranda Rodgers 82 ft. 5 in.  
48-57 yrs. Mary Charbonneau 68 ft. 5 in.  
58-67 yrs. Maryann Doneth 52 ft. 1 ½ in.  
68-77 yrs. Donna Silsbee 65 ft. 4 ½ in.

### MALE DIVISION:

Overall Longest Toss Winner: Blake Holcomb 122 ft. 5 in.

### Male Age Level Winners:

2 yrs. Hudson Cox 8 ft. 10 in.  
4 yrs. Alex Bowling 18 ft. 2 in.  
5 yrs. Tanner Silsbee 30 ft. 6 in.  
6 yrs. Oliver Warner 27 ft. 10 in.  
9 yrs. Matthew Morefield 32 ft. 4 ½ in.  
11 yrs. Tristan Berry 82 ft. 5 in.  
13 yrs. Evan Carroll 106 ft. 5 in.  
14 yrs. Lucien Clipper 95 ft. 3 in.  
15 yrs. Solomon Waldrop 118 ft. 4 in.  
16 yrs. James Rocker 110 ft.  
17 yrs. Dillan Garza 94 ft. 9 in.  
18-27 yrs. Austin Ingram 118 ft. 7 ½ in.  
38-47 yrs. Blake Holcomb 122 ft. 5 in.  
48-57 yrs. Jeff Miller 86 ft. 3 in.  
58-67 yrs. David Toellner 92 ft. 10 in.  
68-77 yrs. Don Berglund 80 ft. 1 in.

Thanks to the sponsors who helped make this a successful event.

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## BBQ &amp; Blues Auction Moves Online

Despite deciding to cancel its annual BBQ & Blues event this year, the Episcopal Church of the Advent in Lillian has moved their silent auction online.

It can be accessed by going to <https://www.32auctions.com/BBQblues>.

Almost 100 items will be auctioned off, beginning Sunday, Oct. 10 at 8 a.m. through Sunday, Oct. 24 at 6 p.m. Central time.

Opportunities include an inshore charter fishing trip, a canoe, an inflatable kayak with sailing set, gift certificates from local businesses, original art work, costumes, designer jewelry, purses, leather and fur jackets, just to name a few.

Prominent artists from Florida and Alabama have donated oil paintings, beach themed photographs on canvas and folk art. Household items include quilts, flat screen television sets, silver, collectable glass, Singer embroidery machine, Singer sewing machine, tables, chest of drawers, and set of four chairs.

Unique items include vintage hammered brass buckets and a wrought iron candle stand. Tools include an electric lawn mower, leaf blower, socket wrench set, battery charger and more. Plan your next party with a gift certificate from Bon Secour Fisheries or a sunset cruise for 4-6 people on Perdido Bay and feed your crowd with a Chubby's Pizza once a month.

The silent auction is part of our annual BBQ & Blues Event which is normally held the third Saturday in October. This year it will be totally online due to Covid restrictions. Funds raised from this annual auction provide for a variety of services in Lillian and the surrounding area. Charitable organizations have received more than \$25,000 over the last several years. Scholarships are given to underprivileged children to live at Wilmer Hall Home for Children and for summer camps at Camp Beckwith and Camp Happy Sands. Other beneficiaries include the Lillian

Volunteer Fire Department, Lillian Community Park, Lillian library, Elberta Middle School, Ecumenical Ministries and local food banks. The need is great so be sure to bid generously.

The Episcopal Church of the Advent is a small congregation in Lillian that provides an opportunity for worship, fellowship, spiritual growth and community service all for the love of God. Since opening its doors for worship in 2004, the church has served the communities from Lillian to Perdido Beach, to Josephine and Innerarity Point. Every Sunday we celebrate Christ's abundant love and grace. Services are also available on our YouTube Channel or on Facebook. All are welcome.

Auction registration can be made at the link mentioned above. Winning bidders will be notified immediately by 32Auctions and online payment can be completed. Items should be picked up at the church the following Monday through Wednesday between 9 a.m. and noon. Arrangements may be made for shipping small items. Contact Priscilla Condon for details at 251-943-5885.

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*A wide variety of items will be available during the online auction for BBQ & Blues.*



## Shepherd of the Bay Church Hosting Rummage Sale

The Ladies of Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church in Lillian will be holding their annual rummage sale for one day on Saturday, Oct. 30, begin-

ning at 7 a.m.

If you have items you would like to donate for the sale, contact the church at 251-962-7682 and leave a message.

## Methodist Church Sets Dates for Trash and Treasure Sale

A Trash and Treasure sale will be held Oct. 21, 22 and 23 at Lillian United Methodist Church. The sale will be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day.

## Trunk or Treat Set For Oct. 31 at Lillian Park

Area children are welcome to Trunk or Treat from 4 to 5p.m. Oct. 31 at Lillian Recreational Park.

Sponsored by the park, Optimist Club of Perdido Bay and Lillian United Methodist Church, food will also

be served as well as treats.

Anyone interested in participating by bringing your vehicle can contact Joyce Ellison at 251-752-5062 by Oct. 30. Additional information is in the ad below.

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## Front Porch Hosts Hurricane Benefit



*A benefit held Sept. 5 at Lillian's Front Porch for victims of Hurricane Ida raised \$3,000 for displaced families that temporarily relocated to Lillian. A contribution was also provided by AmVets Post 12. The proceeds were divided among five families: Sari Labatut and Debra Labatut, both of New Orleans, and Rudy Scott, Sheree Scott and Amber Peltier, all of Houma, La. A day of appreciation for Larry Hadley is slated at the Front Porch on Oct. 10 from 2 to 6 p.m. with Jason Justice as master of ceremonies.*

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## Halloween Flicks of the Field Planned

The Perdido Key Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting a night of scary fun for local ghouls and goblins at Baars Field on Oct. 29.

The evening will kick off at 5:30 p.m. with trunk or treating and a costume parade, followed by an outdoor movie featuring "E.T."

## CHIT CHAT

Chit Chat is a column for you. Take this opportunity to brag a little, share a little, and have fun with birthdays and anniversaries.

Happy birthday wishes in October go out to Sally McKinney, Florence McLendon, Elsie Bailey, Barbara Parks, Ward Jensen, Stan Fertig, Jeylin Showers, Kailey Scott, Jean Dean, Diana Hartley, Frances Campbell, Mike Russell, Dave Westwood III, Darrell Williams, Karen Tobey, Bill Sepac, Ted Chapman, Marc Willard, Tom Canaday, Chuck Estes, Pat Kupferer, Marvin Cain, Bill Weaver, Jim Crandall, Don Simmons, Barbara Gengerke, Freda Bass, Marsha Mor-

rissey, Roland Kasper, Diane Willard, Paulette Joffrion, Bob Tobey, Mary Beth Majesty, Judy Cain, Roger Kuhr, Keith Brown, Jayke Pell, Billy Bonner and Jerry Garner.

Celebrating wedding anniversaries are Mike and Donna Cobb, Art and Joan Schuck, Earl and Helen Paschke (1958), Charlie and Wilma Spivey (1975) and Ed and Faith Dowd (1997).

If you would like to add or delete information from Chit Chat, email [lillianeditor@yahoo.com](mailto:lillianeditor@yahoo.com), mail it to *The Lillian*, P.O. Box 1088, Lillian, 36549 or place a note in our yellow folder at Lillian Perdido Bay Library.

## Patriot Remembrance Day Breakfast



*The Optimist Club of Perdido Bay recently hosted a Patriots Remembrance Day Breakfast on Sept. 11 to remember those who perished on 9/11 and to honor members of the Lillian community who are first responders, active duty military and veterans. Members of the Lillian Volunteer Fire Department, Lower Alabama Search and Rescue (LASAR) and members of the Optimist Club who have served in the military were thanked for their service. Those club members include, from left, Lee Hoffman, Price Legg, Dave Youngs, Joe Taylor and Bill Hall.*

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By Wayne B. Lavallee,  
Adjutant

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We didn't earn a great wage, nor did we ever know when or even if we were ever going to see home again. We grew up fast and yet somehow, we never grew up at all.

We fought for our freedom as well as the freedom of others, some of us saw actual combat, and some of us didn't. Some of us dealt with physical warfare and most of us dealt with psychological warfare.

When our adventure was over, some of us went back home, some of us started a new home and some of us never came home as we have dealt

with victory and tragedy.

We share an unspoken bond with each other that most people don't understand, we have told amazing and hilarious stories of our exploits and adventures.

We speak highly of our own branch of service and poke fun at all the other branches, but we know however, that if needed, we will be there for our brothers and sisters and stand together as one in a heartbeat.

Being a veteran is something that had to be earned and can never be taken away; it has no monetary value.

People see a veteran and they thank them for their service, and when we see each other we give that little head nod or a slight smile knowing we have shared and experienced things most people have not.

So from myself and all the veterans out there, I commend and thank you for all that you have done and sacrificed for your country.

Try to remember the good times and make peace with the bad times, but most importantly, stand tall and proud for you have earned the right to be a veteran.

I am a veteran and I would do it all over again and again.



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## Lillian Perdido Bay Library Corner

By Betty Bovat

### Library Again Making Adjustment to Hours

The library had a quiet September. The Tuesday and Thursday afternoon hours from 4 to 6 p.m. don't seem to be popular, so for that reason we will not be open for those afternoons starting Oct. 5.

The library continues to receive

donations of new 2021 books, so come and have a look. These may have been ones that you have wanted to read.

The library has been donated a signed, fiction hardback book, "Baby Blue," from the author, Lloyd Albritton. The story takes place around this area, especially Nokomis, Fla. It's well worth reading in my opinion.

We continue to search for more volunteers that would like to work just two hours a week.

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## Autumn Activities and Fall Fun at Lillian Recreational Park

Amazing happenings are planned at Lillian Recreational Park in October. But first, we are excited to announce the park has been selected as a finalist for a \$90,000 Impact 100 Baldwin County grant. We won't know until late October if we will be awarded the grant, but we are dreaming big, so cross your fingers and toes and check our Facebook page for all things park related.

Yoga and art classes are now being offered and we'd love to have you join us. Start your Tuesday and Thursday mornings with yoga instructor Jane Stump. Classes are held on the park bandstand at 9 a.m. There is no need to register. Stump said the classes will accommodate people of all ages and levels. Chair yoga is available, too. There is a \$10 drop-in fee or you can buy a five-class card for \$45 or a ten-class card for \$80. If there is enough interest, additional classes

will be scheduled on Saturday.

Every Tuesday and Thursday at 6 p.m. you can channel your inner artist as Stephanie McDonald guides you through creating your own masterpiece.

No experience is necessary. McDonald said all you need to bring is a smile, she'll provide all the rest. Fees depend upon the class, but all supplies are included. You can register on her Facebook page, Yellow Dog Art Studio, or through the park's Facebook page.

The October Market in the Park is a combination of arts and crafts and flea market. Mark your calendars for Oct. 16 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and participate either as a vendor/seller or as a shopper. Contact Stefanie Osborne at generationscrafts4@gmail.com to reserve a vendor space. You can download the vendor guidelines and application by logging onto

[www.lillianrecreationalpark.org](http://www.lillianrecreationalpark.org).

If you have items you would like to donate to the park to be sold at the flea market area with the proceeds

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**Lillian  
Recreational  
Park**

By Monica Leonard

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going to the park, send an email to Monica Leonard at [leonard.m02@outlook.com](mailto:leonard.m02@outlook.com).

Please describe your items or attach a picture. The park will not accept items that are not in usable condition.

Then later this month, the park will host our first FallFest on Oct. 22 and 23. On Friday night, you can get your Halloween on at a fun family movie, "The Addams Family." There will be music and pre-movie activities, including costume contests that night. So don your favorite costume, enter the contest and enjoy free hot dogs, music and games.

On Saturday, Fall Fest continues with another fun day of music, barbeque and family activities.

The fun and a wide variety of music begins at noon and continues until

6 p.m. Visit the park's Facebook page for the up-to-date information about the schedule and list of musicians.

On Halloween, we are pleased to partner with Lillian United Methodist Church and the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay to host the community-wide Trunk or Treat from 4 to 5 p.m.

Vehicles with decorated trunks full of Halloween goodies will be spaced out in the field so children, dressed in their costumes, can go from car to car and collect Halloween goodies.

The Optimist Club will provide complimentary hot dogs, chips and a drink for participants. Everyone is

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Check our Facebook page often to keep abreast of ongoing projects. Our next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 7 at noon in the conference room. We welcome your involvement.



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## Membership, Election Meeting Set For Oct. 4

The Lillian Volunteer Fire Department responded to 106 calls dispatched by the 911 operators in August which included 75 medical assistance, 5 public assists; 4 motor vehicle accidents, 3 structure fires, 2 hazardous conditions; 8 fire alarms/investigations; 8 aircraft stand-bys and 1 water rescue.

The Optimist Club invited our department to join them, Lower Alabama Search and Rescue (LASAR) and American Legion Post 48 for the 9/11 Patriot Day Remembrance breakfast. We gathered to pay homage to the tragic loss of innocent lives and to the bravery of many. We should never forget the thousands that have since lost their lives due to related illness, especially in the fire fighting and police community. Although we tell ourselves we will never forget, one thing we can do to honor those we lost is to show kindness and respect to each other and be of service.

Fortunately this is something the Lillian community can be very proud of. We see neighbors helping neighbors, and looking out for each other on a daily basis.

In August the Delta variant caused a large increase in Covid-related calls. This puts an increase on available personnel to respond to calls. Our condolences go out to the family of Dalton Schoetzow, a member of one of our mutual aid departments who passed away from Covid in August.

The fiscal year for LVFD ended Sept. 30. We will be having our Annual General Membership and Election of the LVFD Board of Directors. Some board member's current terms are expiring and are up for renewal and vote.

At this time, we are looking for two potential new members to participate on the board. This is a great way to be involved in the community, give

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## Lillian Volunteer Fire Department

By Goretty Lysek



*Members of the Lillian Volunteer Fire Department were recognized on Sept. 11 at a Patriot Remembrance Day breakfast hosted by the Optimist Club. From left are Curtis Cantrell, Todd Mullane, Lt. Nick Dosh, Chief Nick Dewhurst, Chief Martie Clarke, Bethany Dewhurst, Lt. Jeff Gleason, Gabby Kruse and Allan Garone.*



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the board a new perspective and to help provide a positive direction. This meeting is open to all Lillian residents and we would appreciate your attendance to vote in new board members and review the previous fiscal year.

The meeting will be at the fire station at 11331 County Road 91 on Oct. 4 at 7 p.m.

The LVFD annual donations letter will be mailed Oct. 1. We are requesting a donation of \$75 per household or unit of property and \$150

for businesses. Included in the letter is an explanation of why we solicit public funds when we receive government funds from Baldwin County tax revenue and a message from Chief Nick Dewhurst on what was accomplished in the previous fiscal year. Please take time to read all the information so it will help you understand the importance of supporting the department.

LVFD would like to remind all Lillian residents and surrounding areas that the burn ban continues through Oct. 31.

### Membership Registration Form 2021-2022

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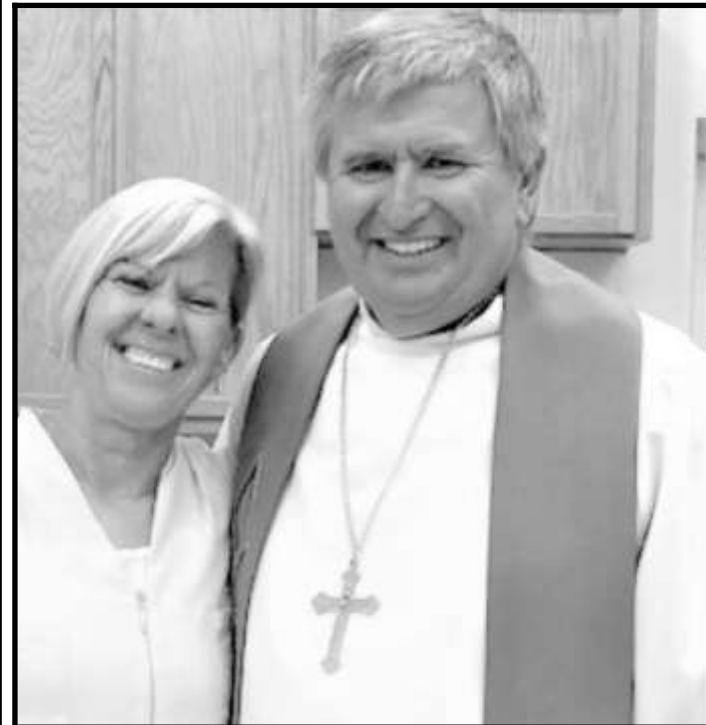
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*The 2021-2022 fund-raising letters have been mailed out. Addresses were provided by Baldwin County Revenue Commissioner's Office.*

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## Pastor Appreciation Sunday



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## 2021 Mullet Festival 5K Race and Walk Results

### Overall Results

Place	Name	Age	Sex	City, State	Time
1	CHARLES HAMMERBERG	25	M	HAMDEN, CT	22:51
2	JOHN SLICE	24	M	MOBILE, AL	23:06
3	SCOTT PAINTER	36	M	ELBERTA, AL	23:16
4	DANNY YOUNG	66	M	NICEVILLE, FL	24:23
5	GENE SPIVEY	36	M	ROBERTSDALE, AL	24:40
6	MARK CARROLL	59	M	SUMMERDALE, AL	25:01
7	WILLIAM LOPEZ	62	M	WEAVER, AL	26:31
8	MARTIN NICELY	42	M	ELBERTA, AL	27:14
9	RICKY GALE	36	M	LILLIAN, AL	27:30
10	ASHLEY MOORE	35	F	PENSACOLA, FL	27:41
11	TIM TITUS	61	M	KALAMAZOO, MI	30:04
12	JAMIE HOWELL	43	F	ROBERTSDALE, AL	30:13
13	STEPHANIE LOPEZ	32	F	MOBILE, AL	30:32
14	BRADFORD ROY	33	M	MOBILE, AL	30:32
15	DON BERRY	38	M	CRESTVIEW, FL	30:34
16	AIDAN BERRY	17	M	CRESTVIEW, FL	30:57
17	JOYCELYN CRAIG	65	F	VANCELEAVE, MS	31:15
18	SAMANTHA BUTERBAUGH	35	F	FOLEY, AL	31:57
19	DOUG KIRBY	71	M	PENSACOLA, FL	32:06
20	JOHN DEVINE	33	M	FAIRHOPE, AL	32:26

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Place	Name	Age	Sex	City, State	Time
21	WALT GRAHAM	64	M	GULF SHORES, AL	32:32
22	STEPHANIE MOORE	32	F	PENSACOLA, FL	32:57
23	WENDE DUNBAR	48	F	ROBERTSDALE, AL	33:18
24	MERCEDES NICELY	13	F	ELBERTA, AL	34:08
25	DEBORAH TRAHAN	51	F	BATON ROUGE, LA	35:05
26	LINDA ODOM	53	F	LOXLEY, AL	35:58
27	DORIS MOORE	60	F	PENSACOLA, FL	36:00
28	JORDAN SPIVEY	13	F	LILLIAN, AL	36:48
29	KENDRA LACONSAY	50	F	ROBERTSDALE, AL	36:49
30	JEFF CROW	46	F	BATON ROUGE, LA	37:55
31	PATRICK BROWN	55	M	CHAMBLEE, GA	38:17
32	LISA BROWN	51	F	CHAMBLEE, GA	38:24
33	MAUREEN HIGGINS	67	F	ELBERTA, AL	38:31
34	KAITLYN BERRY	13	F	CRESTVIEW, FL	38:32
35	JOANN MILFORD	62	F	TALLAHASSEE, FL	39:50
36	DOUG CRAIG	72	M	MOBILE, AL	40:02
37	MARGARET CHAPMAN	50	F	ELBERTA, AL	40:03
38	SCOTT HOXIE	56	M	PENSACOLA, FL	41:05
39	ROBERT HALL	80	M	FOLEY, AL	41:09
40	PATRICIA VEAL	56	F	PENSACOLA, FL	41:17
41	THOMAS CHAPMAN	55	M	PERDIDO BEACH, AL	41:32
42	BILL MILFORD	62	M	TALLAHASSEE, FL	41:41
43	DEEJAY WIGLER	77	M	LILLIAN, AL	41:57
44	MIKE PATE	64	M	ORANGE BEACH, AL	42:20
45	SAYLOR MORROW	13	F	ELBERTA, AL	42:21
46	TOMMY CALLAWAY	50	M	ROBERTSDALE, AL	42:51
47	DOMINICK VACCARO	70	M	METAIRIE, LA	43:00
48	RICK MARTIN	63	M	MILTON, FL	43:26
49	TED HALEY	69	M	LILLIAN, AL	44:01
50	ROBERT BATH	70	M	MOLINO, FL	44:09
51	LARRY BURCH	70	M	PENSACOLA, FL	45:52
52	BOB MATHESON	72	M	DEFUNIAK SPRING, FL	47:18
53	KELLY MONTGOMERY	43	F	FOLEY, AL	47:37
54	WILL MONTGOMERY	13	M	FOLEY, AL	47:59
55	SHARON NESSLY	62	F	COVINGTON, TN	50:17
56	RICHARD NESSLY	66	M	COVINGTON, TN	50:18
57	LEE ECHOLS	84	M	MOBILE, AL	55:39
58	BARBARA TAYLOR	77	F	LILLIAN, AL	56:31
59	SUSAN GENTRY	48	F	LILLIAN, AL	56:41
60	BECK GENTRY	51	M	LILLIAN, AL	56:43
61	NELSON BEECH	80	M	LILLIAN, AL	1:01:18
62	MARINA LOPEZ	63	F	LILLIAN, AL	1:01:23

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# Community Calendar



- Oct. 4 - Lillian Volunteer Fire Department General Membership Meeting, 7 p.m., Station 2, 11331 County Road 91
- Oct. 5 & 19 - Lillian Masonic Lodge 925 meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the lodge
- Oct. 5, 12, 19 & 26 - AL-ANON meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Lillian United Methodist Church in the conference room
- Oct. 6, 13, 20 & 27 - Weight Watchers meets every Wednesday in the First Baptist Church auditorium on Barclay Street, weigh-in starts at 10 a.m., meeting begins at 10:30 a.m.
- Oct. 9 & 23 - Optimist Club of Perdido Bay meets the second and fourth Saturday of the month, breakfast at 8 a.m. with meeting to follow, Lillian Community Club
- Oct. 11 - LASAR meeting, 7 p.m. second Monday of each month, Barclay Street
- Oct. 12 & 26 - Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church Food Pantry, 9 to 11 a.m., second and fourth Tuesday of the month
- Oct. 14 - Optimist Night at the Front Porch, 5 p.m.
- Oct. 16 - Market in the Park, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Lillian Recreational Park
- Oct. 18 - American Legion Post 48 meeting, 7 p.m., third Monday of each month, Lillian Community Club
- Oct. 19 - St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, 9 to 11 a.m., third Tuesday of each month, St. Joseph Catholic Church
- Oct. 21, 22 & 23 - Trash and Treasure Sale, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Lillian United Methodist Church
- Oct. 22 - Movie in the Park, activities begin at 6:30 p.m., movie at dusk, Lillian Recreational Park
- Oct. 23 - Annual Car Show, Lillian United Methodist Church, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; BBQ from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Oct. 30 - Rummage Sale, beginning at 7 a.m., Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church
- Oct. 31 - Community Trunk or Treat, Lillian Recreational Park, 4 to 5 p.m., see ad on Page 4

*Please email meeting and event dates, times and locations to [lillianeditor@yahoo.com](mailto:lillianeditor@yahoo.com)*

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Such was the plight of a man we learn of in Mark 7:31-31, who was brought to Jesus. He had not only lost his hearing, but his ability to speak as well. He was cut off from the world, cut off from his family and friends, cut

off from the people around him. He was one of the nameless, forgotten people of society. He was fortunate, though, because he had some friends who brought him to Jesus.

Jesus was filled with love and compassion for the man. He took him aside and spoke with him in private. Jesus put his fingers in the man's ears and then spat and touched the man's tongue. He looked up to heaven and commanded, "Be Open." The man could hear at once, and he could speak without impediment. This man was now free to lead a productive life, he



### The Methodist Message

By Rev. Daniel Randall

was no longer an outcast. He was a whole person, thanks to Jesus. This man discovered he not only had friends in the people who had brought him, he also had a friend in Jesus.

We are often discouraged because we pray and things don't get better, or they get worse. Hang in there. Jesus is the best friend that we will ever have. He knows our needs, and whatever He does for us will be right. We may not see His hand at work, but we can trust His heart. We may not understand his methods, but Christ is there. He cares for us, and He will heal us. Jesus calls us to be friends to others in the same manner. It is about reaching out to others as Christ reached out to us. It is about bringing and pointing others to Jesus.

A young boy was brought into a vacation Bible school class. He was missing an arm. Since the class was almost over, the teacher had no opportunity to learn the background of his handicap or his state of adjustment. She was nervous and afraid that one of the children would comment and embarrass him. She proceeded carefully. As the class ended, she began to relax and asked the children to join her in an unusual closing ceremony. "Let's make our churches," she said. "Here's the church and there's the steeple. Open the door and. . ." and as soon as she said it, she realized she had done just what she was afraid the children would do. She froze. As she stood there, the little girl sitting next to the new boy reached over and placed her left hand in his right hand and said, "Let's make this church together." Friends, that is the church. One body connecting with another body to be the Body of Christ. To heal, to comfort, to encourage, to be made whole.



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## St. Francis, Patron Saint of Animals

The patron saint of Italy, Francis of Assisi, was a poor man who astounded and inspired the church by taking the gospel literally - not in a narrow sense, but by actually following all that Jesus said and did, joyfully, without limit, and without a sense of self-importance.

Serious illness brought the young Francis to see the emptiness of his lifestyle as leader of youth in the city of Assisi. Prayer - lengthy and difficult - led him to a self-emptying like that of Christ, which led Francis to embrace a leper he met on the road. It symbolized his complete obedience to what he had heard in prayer: "Francis! Everything you have loved and desired in the flesh it is your duty to despise and hate, if you wish to know my will. And when you have begun this, all that now seems sweet and lovely to you will become intolerable and bitter, but all that you used to avoid will turn

itself to great sweetness and exceeding joy."

From the cross in the neglected field-chapel, Christ told him, "Francis, go out and build up my house, for it is nearly falling down." Francis became the totally poor and humble workman.

He must have suspected a deeper meaning to "build up my house." But he would have been content to be for the rest of his life the poor "nothing" man actually putting brick on brick in abandoned chapels. He gave up all his possessions, piling even his clothes before his earthly father, who was demanding restitution for Francis' "gifts" to the poor, so that he would be totally free.

He was for a time considered to be a religious fanatic, begging from door to door when he could not get money for his work, evoking sadness or disgust from his former friends.

But genuineness will tell.



### Moving Forward

By Rev.  
Tina Lockett

A few people began to realize this man was actually trying to be Christian. He really believed what Jesus said: "Announce the kingdom! Possess no gold or silver or copper in your purses, no traveling bag, no sandals, no staff." (Luke 9:1-3).

Francis' first rule for his followers was a collection of texts from the Gospels. He had no intention of founding a religious order, but once it began, he protected and accepted it. His devotion to the church was absolute at a time when various reform movements tended to break the church's unity.

He was torn between a life devoted entirely to prayer and a life of active preaching of the good news. He decided in favor of the preaching, but al-

ways returned to solitude when he could. He wanted to be a missionary in Syria or in Africa, but was prevented by shipwreck and illness in both cases.

During the last years of his life, he was half blind and seriously ill and died at age 44.

On his deathbed, Francis repeated Psalm 141, and asked his Father Superior's permission to have his clothes removed when the last hour came in order that he could expire lying naked on the earth, in imitation of his Lord.

In the beginning of October, people will be celebrating St. Francis Day in honor of the Patron Saint of Animals, St. Francis of Assisi. In remembrance of his love for all sentient beings, pet owners sometimes take their animal companions to church for a blessing of the animals.

Episcopal Church of the Advent will hold a pet blessing at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3, on the lawn. All types of pets are welcome but they must be on a lease or in a pet carrier/cage.

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**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Now that most churches have resumed normal services, we would like to print information as space permits. Local churches can submit their information by emailing it to us at [lillianeditor@yahoo.com](mailto:lillianeditor@yahoo.com) or dropping it off at the Lillian Perdido Bay library.

## BALDWIN COUNTY BLOTTER

■ Baldwin County Sheriff's Officers responded to a report of theft at midnight Aug. 25 in the 12700 block of Sixth Street, Lillian.

■ Officers responded to an assault report at 11:19 p.m. Aug. 25 in the 1200 block of Ridgewood Drive, Lillian.

■ Officers responded to a report of assault at 3:24 p.m. Aug. 27 in the 9100 block of Bayview Drive in Lillian.

■ Assault was reported at 4:24 p.m. Aug. 27 in the 13200 block of Sixth Street, Lillian.

■ A theft report was received at 8:27 p.m. Aug. 31 in the 1700 block of Cristo Loop, Lillian.

■ Officers responded to a report of theft at 8:38 p.m. Aug. 31 in the 1700 block of Spanish Cove Drive South in Lillian.

■ Officers responded to a theft

report at 6:30 a.m. Sept. 2 in the 1600 block of Santa Cruz Drive in Lillian.

■ Burglary was reported at 12:55 a.m. Sept. 3 in the 1500 block of Matias Drive in Lillian.

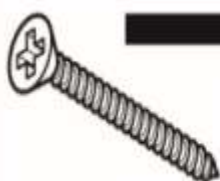
■ A stolen vehicle was reported at 10:17 a.m. Sept. 4 in the 32500 block of Arbor Ridge Circle, Lillian.

■ Officers responded to a verbal domestic dispute at 3:57 p.m. Sept. 5 in the 1500 block of Pensacola Drive, Lillian.

■ Officers responded to an assault report at 8:30 a.m. Sept. 12 in the 12400 block of County Road 91, Lillian.

■ Theft was reported at 8:29 p.m. Sept. 14 in the 1300 block of Ridgewood Drive, Lillian.

■ Officers responded to a theft report at 7:49 a.m. Sept. 19 in the 33300 block of Rosalia Avenue, Lillian.



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## Still Learning Lessons About Covid

As Editor Janel can tell you, I rarely have my column in prior to deadline. I'm usually panicking on Tuesday and then miraculously something pops in my head and off I go. Usually, it's because I've attended a meeting or a social event and information finally makes it into my brain.

Not this time, though. Why? Because I've been quarantined due to the blankety blank Covid-19. So, all my sources of inspiration have been denied me.

I don't know what happened. I was minding my own business, working on the Optimist Club Mullet Festival for a couple of weeks before Labor Day. I was fine. Ditto on Labor Day, but then on Tuesday I started with a little cough. Darn!

I get stuff like that occasionally.

Dry throat, runny nose. Cough medicine usually takes care of it. Being that it was getting on to the weekend, I thought my best bet was to go to the doctor to get an antibiotic.

You know things always get worse on the weekend when you can't get to a doctor and these days, who wants to go to an emergency room?

So off I went. No fever when I got checked at the door. Great! Next thing I know the nurse is checking me for Covid. What? No! I've had my shots. No way. Yes, way. Quarantine for 10 days and a prescription for REGENCOV.

This investigational medicine is used to treat mild to moderate symptoms of Covid-19. It's done intravenously in the hospital.

My doctor felt this was a good



### Just a Thought or Two

By Sally McKinney

treatment for me since I am not quite as young as I used to be. In other words, I'm at higher risk for serious complications from Covid.

It was not a big deal except that I had to go to Fairhope. After about two hours I was back on the road again and home. The worst part was I wasn't able to stop at any of my favorite haunts for lunch.

Well, I'll tell you, if this was a mild case, I'm darn glad I got the vaccine and didn't get a worse case.

I had no appetite, I had to force myself to eat and spent most of my time napping, even after a good

night's sleep. A friend who got Covid at the same time said she was "glued to the couch."

I took my temperature every morning and was afraid it was never going to be normal again. Normal for me is in the 97 range.

One day I was shocked to see 102. I originally thought I'd get a few things done around the house but the energy just got up and went. Thank goodness for my Kindle. When I wasn't sleeping, I was reading.

I'm back to "normal" now, but I never want to go through that again. So when the sign says masks required, I've got mine on. When it's safe to get the booster shot, I'll do that. I would suggest you do, too.

One last comment: thanks to all for your kind thoughts and prayers and especially for the food you provided. Lillian truly is a great place to live.

## Keep Yourself Protected While Managing Accounts Online

If you're an investor, you probably enjoy the convenience of managing your accounts online. But you'll also want to make sure that you're not making it convenient for hackers, "phishers" and others with bad intentions to gain the same access.

Fortunately, there's a lot you can do to protect your privacy.

- Use a strong password or passphrase. You'll want to pick a password that would be virtually impossible for anyone to guess, employing capital and lowercase letters, plus symbols and numbers. Of course, you'll want to record the password in

a secure place so you won't forget it. Instead of using a password, you may have the option of choosing a passphrase, which contains a series of words strung together. You'll want to avoid phrases taken from popular culture or that are otherwise commonly used. And it's also a good idea not to use phrases containing your name, birthday or other personal identifiers.

- Use two-step authentication. If your investment company offers two-step, or multifactor, authentication, you'll want to take advantage of it, since it's a good security tool. When using two-step authentication, you'll

need to add an additional factor – such as your best friend from grade school or the model of the first car you owned, and so on – to your username and password. And when you log in to your account from an unrecognized computer, your investment firm may send you a code via text message or email, which you'll need to enter to open your accounts.

- Activate your account alerts. When you turn on your account alerts, you'll receive text messages or emails notifying you of certain activities, such as account logins, failed account login attempts, personal information changes, money transfers, adding or deleting of external financial accounts, and more. These alerts can help you monitor your accounts for fraud and verify your own moves, as well.

- Avoid using public computers to access investment accounts. If you're at a hotel or library, try to avoid the temptation to use the computer to check in on your investments. But if you do use a public computer, at least take proper precautions. For starters, don't leave data on a screen and walk away, even for a moment. And when you're finished with the computer, log



### Financial Focus

By Jason Kozon of Edward Jones

out of your account to end the online session. You may also want to change any password you used.

- Ignore suspicious links. Be suspicious of emails or text messages containing links claiming to be connected to your investment accounts. These links could take you to websites designed to solicit sensitive account information, which could then be used for financial or identity theft. Even if the link seems to be coming from a business you know, you'll want to be cautious – experienced "phishers" can now create websites or online documents that look real. And keep in mind that legitimate firms will not ask you to divulge personal information without going through the password or two-step authentication protocols.

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## Dalton Schoetzow

Dalton Carl Schoetzow, 25, a resident of Elberta, passed away on Aug. 19, 2021.

Dalton was a 2014 graduate of Foley High School. He was in the Foley Fire Explorers Club and served in the Josephine Volunteer Fire Department for seven years as well as the Foley Fire Department. He loved hunting, fishing, riding his Harley and driving a semi-truck.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, George Frank Jr.; and paternal grandfather, Walter Schoetzow Jr. Dalton is survived by his parents, Sonny Schoetzow and Amy Frank Schoetzow; a brother, Haden Schoetzow; maternal grandmother, Sharon Frank; paternal grandmother, Evelyn Schoetzow; an aunt, Janice (JR) Lewis; uncles, Jason Frank and Justin (Niki) Frank; and many other loving family and friends.

Graveside services were held Aug. 22 at Elberta Public Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to your local volunteer fire department or St. Bartholomew Church. Wolfe-Bayview Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## OBITUARIES

### Dennis Hanson

Dennis D. "Denny" Hanson, 79, of Lillian, passed away Aug. 25, 2021, surrounded by his family.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Ellis, and many beloved pets.

Survivors include his loving wife of nearly 55 years, Cathleen; daughters, Brittnei Hanson and Nicolle (Rory Whitlock) Hanson Whitlock; grandchildren, Caithryn (Nicholas) Garcia, Neysa (Kaleigh) Gallagher, Everett Deiman and Tate Whitlock; great-grandchildren, Evan Garcia, Shylo Garcia, Finnegan Garcia, Terra Garcia and Veralidaine Gallagher; and many loving nieces, nephews and friends.

He was fiercely loyal and caring of his wife, family, friends and loved Jesus. He was a lifelong musician who loved playing his drums, whether seated at the drum set or tapping on a steering wheel or a kitchen table. He had the heart of a teacher and a work ethic like no other.

Born in Cloquet, Minn., with its chill, he achieved his dream and retired with his wife in Lillian with its warmth.

A celebration of life service was held at Kozlak-Radulovich Maple Grove Chapel in Minnesota on Sept. 11. Interment was in Sunset Cemetery.

### Kenneth Brackin

Kenneth "Kenny" Allen Brackin, 70, a resident of Elberta, passed away Aug. 21, 2021.

Kenny was a 1968 graduate of Foley High School. He retired as plant manager of a geotextile manufacturing company in Evergreen, Alabama. Kenny was an avid Alabama fan. He was preceded in death by his father, W. E. Brackin; brother, Michael "Mike" Brackin; and a sister, Karen B. Murphy.

He is survived by his mother, Alice Brackin of Jacksonville, Fla.; his wife, Janet Brackin of Elberta; daughters, Charmaine Deviena (Chris) Newton of Santa Barbara, and Jillian A. Brackin of Pensacola; a stepson, Ryan Phillips of Elberta; sisters, Ange Brackin of Jacksonville and Alexa (Logan) Rawson of Elberta; a grandson, Jay Smedley; granddaughters, Miranda Edwards, Reagan Edwards, Danica Stevens, Donnay Stevens, Anya Newton, Emiline Newton and Brielle Newton; three nephews and three nieces.

A celebration of life was held Aug. 28. Wolfe-Bayview Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



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## OBITUARIES

**Christian Baumann**

Christian "Chris" Herman Baumann, 67, of Elberta, passed away Aug. 25, 2021. Chris was born Aug. 17, 1954, in Abilene, Texas.

From the time they were small boys, Chris and his brothers spent summers in Elberta with their paternal grandmother, Mrs. Frieda Baumann.

After graduating from high school in Tennessee in 1973, Chris returned to Elberta and he lived there for the rest of his life.

Chris enjoyed working at Alms Pump Service for many years. Hunting, fishing and being in the outdoors were some of the things he most enjoyed.

Chris was preceded in death by his father, Rev. Herman Baumann; and a grandniece, Emma Marie.

He is survived by his mother, Gertrude (Gertie) Baumann; brothers, Seth and Rudi; sister, Priscilla; nieces, Katie and Tabitha; uncle, John Dorn; aunts, Mary Ellen Dorn and Shirley Baumann; and many cousins.

Graveside services and interment were held Aug. 28 at St. Mark's Lutheran Church Cemetery, Elberta. Wolfe-Bayview Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**Paul Anthony Gaubatz**

Paul Anthony Gaubatz, 84, of Elberta, passed away Aug. 26, 2021.

Paul was a barber for 66 years, with 64 of those in Foley where he opened Paul's Barber Shop in 1989. He was an avid outdoorsman and loved playing cards and gardening.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Louise Gaubatz; parents, Fred and Lillian Gaubatz; and four brothers, Fred Jr., Joe, Richard and Jerry.

He is survived by his daughter, Paula Gaubatz of Foley; sons, Tony (Donna) Gaubatz of Elberta, and Michael Paul Gaubatz of Jeffersonville, Ind.; sister, Lillian Bird of Michigan; two brothers, Edward Gaubatz of Lanesville, Ind., and Bob Gaubatz of Rocky Mount, Va.; grandsons, Joseph (Gina) Gaubatz, David (Summer) Gaubatz; granddaughters, Julie (Joey) Koptis, Evan (Ben) Gaubatz and Cherice (Danielle) Gaubatz; great-grandchildren, Brock Koptis, Sierra Koptis, Isabelle Gaubatz, Blake Gaubatz, Addison Gaubatz, Lou Dean, Adley Gaubatz and Lillian Evangeline Greer; great-granddaughters, Aliyah and Azaria Gaubatz; and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life was held at St. Mark's Lutheran Church on Sept. 18. Wolfe-Bayview Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**Donna Lynn Taffaro Ranna**

Donna Lynn Taffaro Ranna, 55, passed away Sept. 12, 2021, in Lillian. She was born in New Orleans, La., on March 16, 1966, and was an Alabama resident since 1997.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Roxanne Lynn Ranna. Surviving are her former husband, Arnold James Ranna Sr.; sons, Arnold James Ranna Jr. and Anthony (Tony) Vincent Ranna; a daughter-in-law, Jacqueline Nicole Ranna; grandchildren, Trey Vincent Ranna, Arnold James Ranna III and Layla Roxanne Ranna; her parents, Jacob V. Taffaro Jr. and Mary Bihli Taffaro of Lillian.

Private services will be held in New Orleans.

**Robert Francis Vandak**

Robert Francis Vandak, 92, of Lillian, passed away at home on Aug. 9, 2021.

Bob was born March 10, 1929, in Czechoslovakia, to Emil and Mary Anne Vandak, and spent his childhood in Toledo, Ohio. He graduated from Waite High School in 1947, where he met the love of his life, Elaine. They wed on Sept. 3, 1949.

Enlisting in the U.S. Navy in 1951, he served four years during the Korean War before returning to finish an electrical engineering degree from the University of Toledo in 1958. He started a career with Western Electric Company in their field engineering force, working on guided missile systems for the U.S. Army and Navy. His career gave him and his family an opportunity for extensive travel with one of the highlights being four years spent on Kwajalein, Marshall Islands, in the South Pacific. He also earned a master's degree from Central Michigan University, and retired as a department head with a training facility in Dublin, Ohio.

Bob was blessed with over 36 years of retirement, several motorhomes, travel and time to develop his interests in music, collectibles and gardening. He spent many hours dancing with his wife.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 72 years, Elaine Vandak; two children, Vicki Trevino (Frank) and Mark Vandak, both of Columbus, Ohio; one grandchild, Christopher Trevino; and two great-grandchildren, Ohana and Ella Trevino, all of Columbus.

Bob requested his ashes be scattered in the Gulf of Mexico. Arrangements have been made for a private family memorial service to be held at later date.

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## OBITUARIES

## Willie Nell Phelon Evans

Willie Nell Phelon Evans passed away Aug. 11, 2021.

She was born Feb. 23, 1931, to Willie and Virginia (Jackson) Phelon. She was born in Toxie, Alabama, moved to Elberta, and then to Lillian where she became a longtime resident.

She was a member of the New Mount Marriah Baptist Church from an early age. She served in the senior choir, mission and on the usher board.

She was well known in the community and surrounding areas. She was a bus driver for more than 50 years for Baldwin County schools, served as a teacher's aide for special needs classes and drove a bus for the YMCA. She spearheaded the ARC Thanksgiving dinner for special needs residents of Baldwin County and was a member of the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay.

She was married to Clarence Evans Sr. and together they had 13 children.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Willie and Virginia (Jackson) Phelon; her husband, Clarence Evans Sr. and a daughter, Georgia A. Evans.

Surviving her are 10 daughters, Virginia Casey, Peggy A. Pope, Elizabeth (Melvin) Whitehurst, Rose (Ben) Adams, Patricia (Booker T.) Washington Jr., Mary Evans, Elouise Turner and Caroline (Bryan Sr.) Mack, all of Lillian, and Bertha Scott and Beverly (Gregory) Smith, both of Atlanta, Ga.; two sons, Clarence Evans and Roy Evans of Lillian; three sisters, Rutie M. James of Mobile, Doris Stewart of Lillian, and Lola Robinson of Oakland, Calif.; two brothers, Alfred Phelon of Lillian and Jesse Phelon of Oakland; special friend, Dorothy Chapman; one special son, Tony Dade; 37 grandchildren; 113 great-grandchildren; 63 great-great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-great-grandchild and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.



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## John Farrell Jr.

John P Farrell Jr., 92, a resident of Elberta, passed away Aug. 21, 2021, in his home surrounded by his family.

John was born in Kalamazoo, Mich., to John and Mildred Farrell. At a young age he worked with his father at the Robert L. Berner Co. He attended Western Michigan University before being drafted into the U.S. Marine Corp. He left the military to continue with the Robert L. Berner Co., and eventually partially owned and operated a plant in Robertsdale. He continued as general manager after selling to Sun Diamond Growers before he retired after 48 years. John was an avid baseball player when he was younger and enjoyed flying planes, golfing, hunting, fishing, working with his hands, scuba diving, traveling and was a previous member of the Mobile Carnival Association.

John is survived by his wife, Joan; children, Terri Russell and husband Bob, Joan Simkins, Judi Simkins and John J. Farrell; grandchildren, Cherie Edwards, Carrie Ray and husband Andy, Nicholas Farrell and Keldon Simkins and wife Hillary; great-grandchildren, Alyssa Edwards, Sean Edwards, Mila Ray and Lorelei Ray; brothers, Jeff, Stephen, Billy and Tommy Farrell. He was preceded in death by sisters, Joan Tuke and Judy Zimmerly.

A private family ceremony will be held. Memorials may be given to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Mack Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Edeltraud "Judy" Jordan

Edeltraud "Judy" Jordan, 87, a resident of Lillian, passed away on Sept. 6, 2021.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sanford Jordan.

Judy was born in Germany, was a world traveler and lived in different countries in Europe. She was the owner of Jordan's Antiques and Collectibles and a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Lillian.

Inurnment will be at Barrancas National Cemetery with her husband.



Submit your news items, photos, meeting notes and community interest pieces to *The Lillian* by email to [lillianeditor@yahoo.com](mailto:lillianeditor@yahoo.com)

## CLASSIFIED ADS

Have something to sell or a business to promote? Consider advertising here in *The Lillian* classifieds!

Advertise here for just \$9 a month for up to 40 words. Discounts offered for ads that run 3, 6 or 12 months.

Must adhere to our classified ad format and does not include photos. Ads also appear in our online edition. Call Julie McManus at 703-217-2874 or by email at [chewlatta@yahoo.com](mailto:chewlatta@yahoo.com).

## SERVICES

MINOR ROOF REPAIRS, tree limb removal, yard clean-ups. Call 850-

434-7896 or 850-418-7163

**LOCAL PET CARETAKER:** Perdido Pets, very reasonable and reliable. Call for rates. 901-568-6491

**KNIFE SHARPENING SERVICE:** 850-572-5254. Kitchen cutlery, pocket knives, fillet/skinning, scissors & tools. Free pickup/return. On site or at Greer's Cashesaver second Saturday each month. Email [sharperknives4U@gmail.com](mailto:sharperknives4U@gmail.com)

**DIVERSIFIED CLEANING SERVICE:** A+ rating with Better Business Bureau (25 yrs.). Residential, commercial, carpets, windows, pressure washing, etc. Serving Baldwin & Escambia

counties. Lic. 107840. Low overhead, customer savings. For more info, text or call 850-712-7191

**PET SITTER:** Dependable, responsible and loves all animals. Years of experience. Will provide pet references upon request. Call Susan at 850-281-5557 or 251-962-3523. I look forward to loving and taking care of your pets.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**LAND FOR RENT/LEASE** on Highway 98 (Lillian Highway), 2 miles from Alabama in Florida. Call 850-434-7896 or 850-418-7163

**HUNTING PROPERTY:** Father and son looking for deer hunting property to lease near Lillian or Elberta, minimum 200 acres. 251-209-7013

**HOUSEKEEPER WANTED:** References required. Call Jean at 251-962-7412 for more details.

**FOR SALE:** Small brown sofa, \$75. Cream colored recliner, \$75. Call 251-962-7455

**2009 BUICK ENCLAVE:** Fully loaded, one owner, non-smoker, low miles, good tires, 2 sun roofs, recently updated by mechanic, leather interior, oil change every 3,000 miles. Call 251-961-3412

## 2021 Mullet Festival Scenes



# LILLIAN COMMUNITY CLUB

**34148 Widell Avenue ~ Lillian, Alabama 36549**

**Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8-11AM ~ 251-962-3366 & Lounge 251-962-3966**

**Email: [lillianlcc@gulftel.com](mailto:lillianlcc@gulftel.com)**

## LCC Officers & Board of Directors

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## LCC CATFISH DINNER ~ \$12

**Friday, Oct. 15 5-6 PM**

Catfish, french fries, grits, hush puppies, baked beans, coleslaw, dessert and coffee or tea.

**MUSIC: Big Jake in the lounge**

## LOUNGE HOURS

Sunday thru Thursday

11am–10 pm

Friday & Saturday

11 am–11 pm

Bloody Mary Sundays

\$1.50 from 11 am to 3 pm

## LCC BANQUET FACILITIES

Best rates in the area!  
The Grand Hall accommodates  
up to 250 people  
State-of-the-Art Full Kitchen  
Non Smoking



## RV CONVENIENCE SITES

Pay in Lounge or Office  
Members: \$15/DAY  
Located behind LCC

**Bingo Tuesdays at 6pm**

**Trivia Thursdays Oct. 7 & 21**

**Come out and watch football  
on our big screens!**

## RUMMAGE SALE

Will be held in October

Drop-off date: Oct. 6 from 9 to 11am

Sale will be Oct. 13, 14, 15 & 16 from 9am to 2pm in the

old fire department building next to LCC

**NO ELECTRONICS, MATTRESSES OR CLOTHING**

## *Halloween Party*

**Oct. 29 Music by False Identity from 7-11pm**

*Costume judging begins at 8pm, winners announced at 9pm*

*Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places*

*\$5 cover charge for non-members Snacks available*

## Fall Gala

**Saturday, Oct. 2 in dining hall**

**Doors open at 6pm Dinner served at 7pm**

## BANDS

Hartstrings - Oct. 1

Southern Star - Oct. 2

Jay Hawkins - Oct. 3

High Time Band - Oct. 8

False Identity - Oct. 9

Robert Broom - Oct. 10

Big Jake - Oct. 15

The Remedy - Oct. 16

Knee Deep - Oct. 17

Southern Breeze - Oct. 22

Gear Head - Oct. 23

Rock Bottom Duo - Oct. 24

False Identity - Oct. 29

Gary Story Band - Oct. 31

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