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## Richardson named 2023 LAC Tuition Grant Winner



**Kevin Richardson Jr.**

Lillian resident and Elberta High School student Kevin Richardson Jr. has been named recipient of the 2023 Tuition Grant awarded by the Lillian Action Committee, publisher of The Lillian Newspaper.

Kevin will attend Waldorf University in Forest City, Iowa to study Psychology/Mental Health.

Kevin lives in Lillian with his mother and father Julie and Kevin Richardson Sr.

The \$500 grant will be awarded and forwarded directly to Waldorf University on his behalf.

We congratulate Kevin and wish him the best of luck with his studies.

## Committee Takes Aim at Bay Cleanup Key to Success Rests With Citizen Input

By Robyn Monaghan

The new Western Perdido Bay Watershed Action Committee is calling all bay lovers to band together to help clean up Perdido Bay.

It's a chance for the community to play an active role in helping to preserve the waterway that is the scenic backdrop to our lives. A three-member committee has been working with area environmental experts for more than a year to study the condition of the bay and how to restore it. Now they're asking the community to weigh in.

"An initial study of the watershed has been done, recommendations have been made and the results are coming soon. Now we want the community's input," said Lucy Smith, one of three local committee members of the fledgling Western Perdido Bay Watershed Action Committee.

The committee is inviting people from Lillian, Perdido Beach, Soldier Creek, Josephine and other nearby communities to its first public meeting later this month. The meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 28 at Lillian Fire Station 2 on Hwy 91.

Smith, along with Lani Cameron and Mike Cleveland, has been working with Ashley Campbell, Baldwin County Environmental Commissioner, Foley Environmental Director Leslie Gahagan and the Mobile Bay Estuary Program to draw up an initial report on the condition of Perdido Bay waters and ways to make it better.

"I grew up on the water and I love to fish," Smith said. "I wanted a place for my grandkids to be able to enjoy the water like I did."

Since the 1960s, research has cited the International Paper Mill in Cantonment as a likely cause of excessive nutrients, depressed oxygen levels, high levels of bacteria, and other problems in Eleven Mile Creek and Perdido Bay.

The WPBWAC, which focuses on the Alabama side of Perdido Bay, is still working on its findings and does not have a firm timeline for when they will present them. But other environmental studies over the past decade have painted a bleak picture.

A National Wetlands Research Center study found Perdido Bay lost more aquatic grasses than any other bay on the

### Save the Date Aug. 28

The Western Perdido Bay Watershed Action Committee is having its first meeting at the Lillian Fire Department located at 11331 County Rd 91, Lillian AL on Aug. 28, 2023, at 6 p.m. More information is available at [wpbwac@gmail.com](mailto:wpbwac@gmail.com)

Gulf, reporting dramatic drops in marine life.

Last year, the Bayou Marcus water reclamation facility increased its discharge of sewage into wetlands draining into Perdido Bay, a move scientists predicted would add more harmful nutrients and "residential waste" into the bay.

The Western Perdido Bay Watershed Action Committee will be updating the public about what they've been working on with the Mobile Bay Estuary Program on a wide range of topics ranging from fish and wildlife and environmental health to local heritage and culture, beaches and shorelines.

"Our outlook for the future of Perdido Bay is very optimistic. Our hope is to get the local citizens involved in improving their watershed" said Mike Cleveland, founding committee member.

"You don't need any experience at all, just a love for the water and the hope that we leave it better than we found it for our children to enjoy," Cameron said.

The committee plans to meet monthly or bi-monthly to brainstorm with experts from the various natural resource agencies in Baldwin County and the State of Alabama, working for "long-lasting change that will impact everyone who uses the watershed," she said.

"If you have even a curiosity about possibly getting involved, we invite you to attend the upcoming meeting in August and see what it's all about," Cameron said.

Anyone wanting more information about the committee can contact:

Lani Cameron at 816-590-4971, Mike Cleveland at 256-426-4916 and Lucy Smith at 719-494-7986.

# Lillian Legion Post 48 Addresses Memberships, Future Sholarships

Gentle reminder - 2024 dues are requested. If you have not renewed it yet - please do not forget. **WE NEED YOU!**

Your Lillian Post 48 is looking to start sponsoring a scholarship fund for eligible seniors at Elberta High School in the coming school year, we consider it an honor to be able to do this, we also again this year sponsored the American Legion Baseball team along with others of the community.

Post 48 would like to thank the Lillian Community Club for the excellent fireworks display on the July 1 along with the activities on the 4th so many of us here take for granted. Great show and effort keep up the great work.

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## Lillian American Legion Post 48

By Wayne B. Lavallee,  
Adjutant

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# Lillian Perdido Bay Library Will Celebrate 30 Years of Operations on Sunday October 1

Another year, another August for the annual “Book Sale” at our local Lillian Perdido Bay Library! We do look forward to these sales, one in August and one in February. This allows us to get rid of our older books, to make room for the newer donated ones. Yes, we do accept book donations, no older than five years. If you do have many older books, call Waterfront Mission at 850-607-8340 and they will gladly pick them up.



Lillian Perdido Bay Library Corner  
By Betty Bovat

needing any new volunteers. As time goes on, things change, we now need volunteers. If anyone has the desire to help out, please contact me at 850-529-0988 and we can set up an interview time.

Our open hours are: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The library will be celebrating a 30-year anniversary of its opening on Sunday, Oct. 1, 2023, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Robin Newell, from the Lillian Garden Club, has been helping us plan on having a large sign “Lillian Perdido Bay Library” made to be placed in our front yard.

This will take work and require donations from the community. Any donations should be sent to: Lillian Perdido Bay Library, P.O. Box 237, Lillian, AL 36549.

We feel fortunate to be able to serve our community with computers, printers, as well as a copy/fax/scan machine for a small donation.

And, we hope to see you at our August Book Sale'

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We have recently received many DVDs, so we are able to pull our older ones to put them for sale. Come to the sale and get a big deal on these DVDs! We have a few audio CDs for sale. If there is someone you know that has lost their sight and cannot read any longer, please consider introducing that person to the audio CDs.

The only requirement is to have a CD player and it would open up a whole new world. We have many audio CDs to check out, also.

One day last week someone donated two very large boxes of new books. I want to thank them for their generosity. It was greatly appreciated! We are a full donation library, meaning we do not receive any federal, state or county monies, so we are grateful for all the donations we receive from the members of the community. We are also a total volunteer library.

At the time I became a member of “The Happiness Project” the library was doing fine and not

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## OBITUARIES

## Margaret Van Tilburg Scott, 94, Perdido Beach

Margaret Van Tilburg Scott died peacefully Monday, May 22, 2023, surrounded by her family. Born October 11, 1928, in Mansfield, Ohio, to Curtis and Fern Van Tilburg.

Margaret enjoyed winter sports and often spoke of missing the snow during her years in the south. During high school, Margaret was active in drama and even reigned as Homecoming Queen of Mansfield High School her senior year.

She attended Bowling Green State University for several years where she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority and was sweetheart of Sigma Chi fraternity. When her sister, Joan moved to Houston, Texas, Margaret chose to join her and worked there for several years. Upon returning to Ohio for Joan's wedding to Bud Morris, Margaret lost her return ticket to Houston. Unable to afford a replacement, she elected to stay in Cleveland to

work. Soon after, she met a young man recently returned from serving in the Army in Europe during World War II. While initially she was "not impressed with him," she soon learned to accept ---his southern ways and even learned to like eating grits. They were married in March of 1951 and moved to New Orleans then to Metairie where they raised their three daughters. During this time Margaret was active in volunteer work and enjoyed a successful career in real estate. Following annual vacations to Perdido Beach, AL, Robert and Margaret knew this was the place to spend their retirement years.

They moved to Soldier Creek in Perdido Beach and became active in St. Paul's Episcopal Church and Episcopal Church of the Advent where Margaret often volunteered at the Thrift Shop. Their Soldier Creek home became the gathering place

where fish fries were famous, and many aunts, uncles and cousins shared the Scott's hospitality for family reunions, as well as birthday and anniversary celebrations.

Following Robert's death in 2012, Margaret continued to enjoy life on Soldier Creek. She is survived by her three children: Susan Teare (Bruce), Kathleen Richardson, and Joann Milford (Bill); grandchildren Curtis Scott Teare, Grace Richardson Moore (Jonny), Allison Milford and Kate Milford; great grandchildren Raja

Wilson and Wesley Moore. A memorial service was held at Episcopal Church of the Advent on June

10. Internment was in Oakwood Cemetery, Montgomery, AL on June 13.

Memorial contributions to Episcopal Church of the Advent or a preferred charitable organization are appreciated.



Margaret Van Tilburg Scott

## DEATH NOTCES

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Anyone may send an email to [lillianeditor@yahoo.com](mailto:lillianeditor@yahoo.com) for information on articles and news.

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## The Happiness Project

### LILLIAN RECREATIONAL PARK

*In this installment of the HAPPINESS PROJECT series, we explore some of the community organizations that use volunteers. This month we are focusing on the Lillian Recreational Park which uses volunteers for everything they do. Volunteering is one of the most powerful ways you can make a difference, help others, and, as research studies show, make yourself happier! Join us each month as we explore the benefits of voluntarism, spotlight area volunteers, and highlight local organizations that could use your help*

The Lillian Recreational Park is an organization that relies on volunteers for everything they do. "The Park has no paid staff. We use volunteers for 100% of what we do. People can decide how they'd like to volunteer. We have 'done in a day' short-term projects like our movies or Fall Fest. Or people can serve on a committee. We even have opportunities for people to do in-home projects like inputting data into excel spreadsheets," explained Lucy Smith.

"Have a skill you want to share or learn? The Park would love to have you. There are many different ways to be involved. Do you like to face paint? The Park has plenty of opportunities for you to volunteer. You can help us refurbish and paint the birdhouses in our gardens or you can help put out the yard signs for our different events."

She mentioned that each volunteer opportunity is specifically designed for the individual and that the Park can tailor each opportunity to each person's interests and availability.

Interested in gardening? There's a place for you. Interested in helping with planning Christmas in the Park? Yes, please! There is a committee that has so much fun planning the month-long Christmas celebration. The committee is just getting started planning the 2023 event and would love to have your help.

Board president, Monica Leonard, said she got involved at the Park several years ago. "I was fortunate to have found a perfect place to put my time and energy when I moved here 10 years ago. The Park is my passion. The friends I've made, the positive changes I am proud to be a part of in the community have been inspiring. There is so much talent here and I see the



volunteers accomplish so much, AND they have fun doing it."

Lucy remarked, "If you are interested in volunteering for the Park, we have a job for YOU. If you have kids at home, bring them with you to help, for instance, serve cotton candy or popcorn at the Fall Fest. No matter your interest, there is a place for you. And you'll get a cool t-shirt, too."

"Careful, though, or you might get hooked!" warned Lucy.

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# Evelyn Underhill: A Mystic and Theologian for the Ages

Evelyn Underhill (1875-1941) was a British writer, mystic, and theologian who is known for her extensive writings on mysticism and spirituality. She was born in Wolverhampton, England, and was educated at King's College London. First a member of the Catholic Church, she later converted to the Church of England and became an active member of the Anglo-Catholic movement.

In her writings, Underhill is important for her contributions to the study of mysticism, which she approached both as a scholar and as a practitioner. Her book "Mysticism: A Study in the Nature and Development of Spiritual Consciousness" (1911) is still considered a classic in the field. In this work, Underhill defined mysticism as "the art of union with Reality" and traced its development through different religious traditions. Underhill substituted (1) mysticism is practical, not theoretical, (2) mysticism is an entirely spiritual activity, (3) the business and method of mysticism is love, and (4) mysticism entails a definite psychological experience.

By 1921, Underhill was to all outward appearances, in an enviable position. She had been asked by the University of Oxford to begin a series of lectures on religion, and she was the first woman to gain such an honor. She was an authority on her own subject of mysticism and respected for her research and scholarship. Her writing was in demand, and she had an interesting and notable set of friends, devoted readers, a happy marriage and loyal parents. At the same time she felt that her foundations were insecure and that her zeal for reality was resting on a basis that was too fragile. By 1939, she was a member of the Anglican Pacifist Fellowship, writing a number of important tracts expressing her anti-war sentiment.

As an Anglo-Catholic, Underhill was committed to the sacramental and liturgical aspects of Christianity, as well as to the social and ethical implications of the faith. She believed that the Church had a vital role to play in the transformation of society and that the sacraments were means of grace that could enable individuals to encounter God and be transformed.

Underhill was also interested in the role of women in the Church. In her book "The

Church and the Mystic Way" (1920), she argued that women had a special role to play in the spiritual life of the Church and that their contributions had been undervalued. Underhill writes that "the sacramental life of the Church demands the ministry of women as well as men." She also argues that "the Church's sacramental system, which involves the use of material things as symbols

of spiritual realities, is peculiarly adapted to women's ways of thought and feeling." Additional quotes from her several books and lectures include: "Eternity is with us, inviting our contemplation perpetually, but we are too frightened, lazy, and suspicious to respond; too arrogant to still our thought, and let divine sensation have its way. It needs industry and goodwill if we would make that transition; for the process involves a veritable spring-cleaning of the soul, a turning-out and rearrangement of our mental furniture, a wide opening of closed windows, that the notes of the wild birds beyond our garden may come to us fully charged with wonder and freshness, and drown with their music the noise of the gramophone within. Those who do this, discover that they have lived in a stuffy world, whilst their inheritance was a world of morning-glory: where every mouse is a celestial messenger, and every thrusting bud is charged with the full significance of life."

"The birth of Christ in our souls is for a purpose beyond ourselves: it is because his manifestation in the world must be through us. Every Christian is, as it were, part of the dust-laden air which shall radiate the glowing epiphany of God, catch and reflect his golden Light. Ye are the light of the world – but only because you are enkindled, made radiant by the one Light of the world. And being kindled, we have got to get on with it, be useful. As Christ said in one of his ironical flashes, "Do not light a candle in order to stick it under the bed!" And finally two of my favorites, "We mostly spend our lives conjugating three verbs: to Want, to Have, and to Do..." and "If God were small enough to be understood, He would not be big enough to be worshipped."



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So, here's the "scoop" – The Lillian Recreational Park is hosting a free, communitywide Ice Cream Social on Sunday, August 14, from 2 until 4. Come join us for a "sundae" funday at the Park! Meet your friends and neighbors. Have fun playing games, walking the trails, listening to music, and doing activities. And, of course, eating ice cream!

There will be special activities for the kids, as well as audience participation activities. We will be creating a giant turtle out of recycled plastic bottle caps. Once the turtle is completed, it will be displayed at a permanent location at the park and everyone who helped make it will be asked to sign the work.

"We are really excited to be able to bring this kind of event to the Park," says Lucy Smith, Park board member. "The Park is always looking for ways to expand the number of quality opportunities for families to get out and enjoy themselves at the Park. Not only will this event be fun, but it will also allow people to see what we've accomplished and find out what our future plans are."

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### Theft

9300 Block Maple St El-  
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Reported on 06/30/2023  
at 08:58 am  
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### Assault

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Reported on 06/29/2023  
at 10:13 am  
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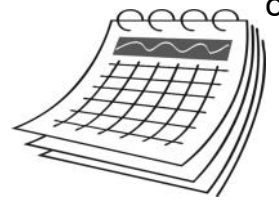
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### Assault

9700 Block N Bayou Rd  
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Reported on 06/11/2023  
at 10:32 pm

## Community Calendar



**August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29** at 7:00 PM- ALANON meeting in the conference room, at Lillian Methodist Church, located at 12770 S. Perdido St., Lillian, AL.

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**August 12 & 26** at 8:00 AM - Join Perdido Bay Optimist Club for Breakfast and a Program at the Lillian Community Club. (No Reservation Needed & Guests eat for Free!)

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**August 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31** at 10:00 AM- Ageless Grace (Exercise for the Body & Brain), at Lillian Methodist Church, located at 12770 S. Perdido St., Lillian, AL.



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Email support with name and address to RuralCharacterLillian@gmail.com.

Zone Issues Remain Priority

Gratitude once again to The Lillian for printing the signature form in the August. Drop off your signature forms at the Lillian Community Club office or lounge, ATT: AARON FUNK, 34148 Widell Ave., Lillian, or email to me. We need more signatures!

**UPDATES BALDWIN:** Our vision of future land use guide (a/k/a MASTER PLAN) and new Planning District 39 were both approved on July 18 by the Baldwin County Commissioners! This is major and welcome news. Baldwin County has done an outstanding job in preparing this guide to be used for the next 10 years. Planning District 39 has also done an outstanding job in crafting its amendments and we are thankful, because we are using all of them in our planning districts. Thank you District 39.

Adam Spence has left ALDOT and Conner Griffin is our current contact. I have requested a flashing yellow light or other signifying apparatus for the Lillian Volunteer Fire Department at the entrance of US Hwy 98 from Santa Piedro Street when there is an emergency call out. Grievances with Baldwin County Planning and Zoning are being addressed with the County Administrator, Roger Rendleman, and good progress is happening.

**FLOODING ISSUES:** in play with recent progress, but more time is necessary. Wording for local ordinances in Planning Districts 22, 29 & 33 are entering the home stretch.

Proceeding to the Planning and Zoning Board for our Public Hearing on Thursday, Sept. 7, 2023, at 4 p.m., 22251 Palmer St., Robertsedale, AL 36567. Then



Keeping it Country  
By Tracey Gambill

on to the County Commissioners Public Hearing for the final approval approximately six weeks thereafter, probably the fourth Tuesday in October. This will be a huge improvement to our community. It is super important to have a large turnout of our residents at these meetings. Mark your calendars, attend and bring others if at all possible.

**WONDERS:** Now forming a committee of local citizens to begin addressing our infrastructure problems. Please contact me if you wish to be on the committee. So far, no volunteers have offered to help. Wonder why? I certainly read about and see lots of complaints... HMMMMMM?

**NATURAL WONDERS:** People helping people. Did you read about the lady who needed a swimming pool temporarily to help recover from an injury and several volunteered to let her use theirs? Did you know that there is a local group, Careforce, which volunteers to take those in need to doctor appointments and lend therapeutic equipment for Spanish Cove residents? Shout out to Lillian Volunteer Fire Department for voluntary helping our community. Hospice has volunteer companions for their patients in home. How Blessed we are for such caring souls. I, for one, am grateful to be here. I will keep you updated in The Lillian each month so please consider subscribing! Keeping It Country. All the best, Tracey Contact me at Ruralcharacterlillian@gmail.com



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Most investors are aware of the different types of stocks: big-company, small-company, technology, international and so on. And it may be a good idea to own a mix of these stocks as part of your overall investment portfolio. But the importance of diversification applies to *bonds*, too — so, how should you go about achieving it?

To begin with, individual bonds fall into three main types: municipal, corporate and government. Within these categories, you'll find differences in the bonds being issued.

For example, government bonds include conventional, fixed-rate Treasury bonds as well as inflation-protected ones, along with bonds issued by government agencies, such as the Federal National Mortgage Association (or Fannie Mae). Corporate bonds are differentiated from each other by several factors, but one important one is the interest rate they pay, which is largely determined by the credit quality of the issuer. (The higher the rating grade — AAA, AA and so on — the lower the interest rate; higher-rated bonds pose less risk to investors and therefore pay less interest.)

Municipal bonds, too, are far from uniform. These bonds are issued by state and local governments to build or improve infrastructure, such as airports, highways, hospitals and schools. Generally, municipal bonds are exempt from federal tax and often state and local taxes, too. However, because of this tax benefit, municipal bonds typically pay lower interest rates than many corporate bonds.

How can you use various types of bonds to build a diversified bond portfolio? One method is to invest in mutual funds that invest primarily in bonds. By owning a mix of corporate, government and municipal bond funds, you can gain exposure to much of the bond world. Be aware, though, that bond funds, like bonds themselves, vary widely in some respects. To illustrate: Some investors may choose a low-risk, low return approach by investing in a bond fund that only owns Treasury securities, while other investors might strive for higher returns — and accept greater risk — by investing in a higher-yield, but riskier bond fund.

But you can also diversify your bond holdings by owning a group of individual bonds with different maturities: short-, intermediate- and long-term. This type of diversification can help protect you against the effects of interest-rate movements, which are a driving force behind the value of your bonds — that is, the amount you could sell them for if you chose to sell them before they matured. When market interest rates rise, the price of your existing, lower-paying bonds will fall, and when rates drop, your bonds will be worth more. But by building a "ladder" of bonds with varying maturities, you can take advantage of different interest-rate environments. When market rates are rising, you can reinvest your maturing, shorter-term bonds at the new, higher rates. And when market rates are low, you'll still have

your longer-term bonds working for you. (Generally,

though not always, longer-term bonds pay higher rates than shorter-term ones.)

A bond ladder should be consistent with your investment objectives, risk tolerance and financial circumstances. But if it's appropriate for your needs, it could be a valuable tool in diversifying your bond holdings. And while diversification — in either stocks or bonds — can't always guarantee success or avoid losses, it remains a core principle of successful investing.

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# Cicada Killer: For Bugs, It's What Nightmares Are Made Of

There are lots of things in the world that look alike from people (like actresses Zoe Saldana and Thandie Newton) to cars (like the Aston Martin DB9 and the Ford Fusion) to even a moth that imitate snakes (the Atlas Moth).

The Cicada Killer, sometimes known as a Cicada Hawk, is another one of these look a-likes. This insect looks very much like an oversized Yellowjacket. Or, since 2020, when the world became aware of Asian Giant Hornets, people confuse Cicada Killers for the giant wasps. (Fun fact, Asian Giant Hornets have only been spotted in the United States in Washington State. Their department of Agriculture moved swiftly to eradicate them!)

Eastern Cicada Killers, *Sphecius speciosus*, is the largest species of wasp in Alabama. They are often seen skimming around lawns and trees seeking burrow sites. These insects have transparent amber color wings and black abdomens featuring three uneven and jagged yellow bands which are distinct characteristics of Cicada Killer wasps.

Cicada Killers are solitary digger wasps, meaning they build nests in the ground. Nests are made in areas with full sun exposure and little vegetation. The tunnels usually have a distinctive U-shaped collar of loose soil around the opening. These burrowed homes can reach depths of 10 to 20 inches and contain up to 16 individual chambers. They may dig along sidewalk or patio edges, in flower beds, gardens, or lawns. Be sure to monitor any window boxes, flower beds or planters as these insects may nest in these areas!

If a Cicada killer digs at the base of a plant, the tunnels could disrupt

the plants root system. If only a few plants are affected, soaking the base of the plants with water is a good approach. The wasps do not like wet soil (it's hard to excavate heavy, wet soil, you know) so they may abandon the site. Watering the plants thoroughly will also settle soil back around the roots of the plant. Do not drench soil around plants with an insecticide mix because it may damage the roots and/or leave residue in or on the plant. Be especially careful around those plants that are meant for eating!

The Cicada Killer wasp will grow from 1 to 2 inches in size. Because they are large, people tend to think they are dangerous. The truth is that Cicada Killer wasps are passive insects that do not pose a threat to people. Only female Cicada Killers are capable of stinging and will only do so if disturbed. And by disturbed, I mean swatting at them, screaming, running about, and waving hands around in the air.

The males are territorial but are unable to sting. They will try to protect their nest by approaching anything that enters "their area", including people, pets, mowers or weed eaters, or riding tractors. They may hover and challenge (dive bomb) trespassers but are harmless which can be easy to forget when a big wasp is chasing you. Ignore it and you can pass through areas where wasps are active without attracting their attention.

Some dogs and cats may catch cicada killers because the insects are often low to the ground. Most pets learn their lesson after the first time! Pets that pick on female wasps probably will be stung! Hopefully, they will remember it, and associate the

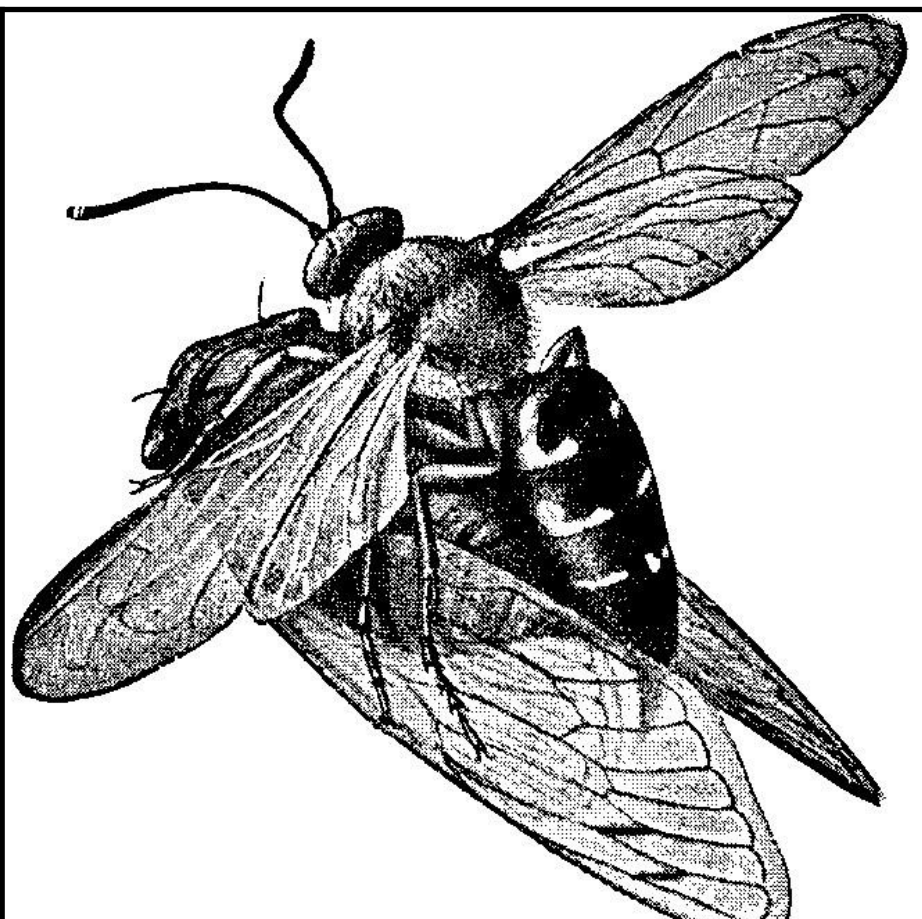
experience with the buzzing sound of the wasps' wings and the warning colors. Some pets may have a severe reaction to the venom, especially if stung in the mouth. If a reaction is suspected (swelling is usually a BIG hint) then the animal should be taken to a veterinarian immediately.

Just like its name suggests, the



## Know Your Critters

By Celeste  
Hadley-Champion



Cicada Killer is a predator of cicadas. Adult wasps feed on flower nectar and drink tree sap. The wasps hunt cicadas to feed their young. They can even attack their prey in mid-air! The cicada is stunned by a sting from the female wasp. The sting will paralyze the cicada. The wasp will carry the

cicada to its burrow. The female wasp lays one egg on the numbed cicada and seals the chamber.

The egg will hatch within 2 to 3 days of being laid. Then the hairy, grub-like larva feeds will slowly consume their meal. Their meal is the stunned cicada!

Over the course of about 10 days, the larvae will eat - leaving only the cicada's outer shell. During the fall, the larva spins a silken case, basically shrink wrapping itself, and prepares to overwinter.

The adult wasps emerge the next summer to start the cycle again.

Have a great summer, friends! Come to think of it, lots of jars look alike too. The resemblance is uncanny.

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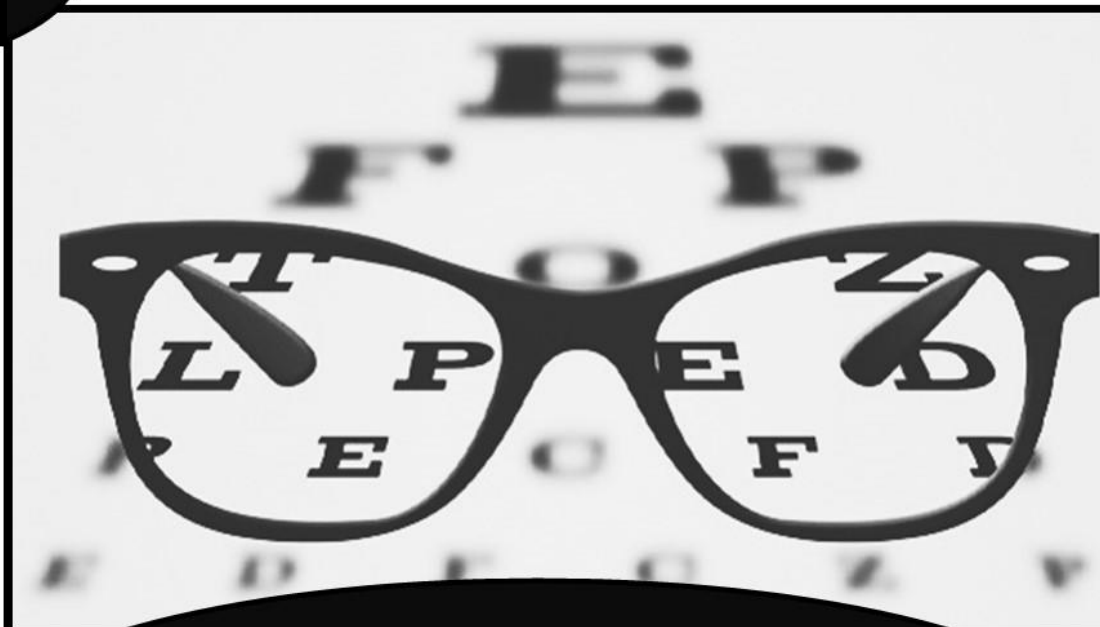
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## More to the Mullet Festival Than Fun & Games ... It Cultivates Our Community

I have been involved with the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay for a long time, first as the wife of a member and then on my own in 2010 as the first female member when I volunteered to become the editor of the monthly newsletter. At the same time the members of the women's group joined up and we have been one happy family ever since to help "Bring Out the Best in Kids."

And we have been accomplishing that for 38 years, yep, even before I joined. The volunteers do everything they can to help kids be the best they can be. Perhaps you or your family have participated in some of them. Breakfast with Santa, the Fishing Rodeo, Trunk R Treat and Easter Egg Hunt are some of the FREE fun events.

Each week during the school year men and women of the club visit Elberta Elementary School to read to the kindergarten and first grade students. Oh, how my husband loved that program. He went to the library every week to get a good supply of books. He especially was pleased when a boy or girl recognized him in the parking lot of a local store. So, I guess that program isn't just for the kids.

It's not just the young 'uns that get the notice of the club. Middle school students participate in the annual Essay and Oratorical contests and high school boys and girls apply and receive college scholarships. HOBY Leadership and Flight Academy scholarships have also been awarded.

Optimist members also help with the annual Willie Nell Evans Thanksgiving lunch for all Baldwin County special needs students and provide lunch for participants and teachers at the annual Special Olympics in Fairhope. They also deliver Christmas gifts to special needs students at local schools.

In addition, the club recognizes Educators of the Year at Elberta Elementary, Middle, High Schools and St. Benedict Elementary School. Each year the club honors the Law Enforcement Officer of the Year and awards scholarships

to children of law enforcement officers.

I'll bet I see a lot of you at the Annual Christmas Parade as I'm taking pictures of the many floats and happy watchers. Don't you just love the candy and other treats the participants toss? The club organizes this annual event, too.

Why am I reminding you of all of this? Because the annual Mullet Festival is coming up on Labor Day, Sept. 4 and this is where the club raises funds for all of the projects. So now it's time for you to step up to help the volunteers take care of our children and our community.

There are many ways you can do it on Labor Day. In another part of this issue you'll find a more detailed list of events, but let me mention some that may grab your attention. The day begins at 6 a.m. with the 5K Walk/Run, followed by the famous Optimist Cub breakfast featuring scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy, grits and other delicious treats. It cost only \$5 and kids eight and younger eat FREE!

At 8 a.m. the Déjà vu Market, Silent Auction and Bake sale open. The Mullet Toss is always fun, whether you participate or just watch. Many times friends and neighbors compete with each other. You have plenty of time to get your group together.

Oops! Back to food again. Lunch begins at 11 a.m. with a choice of fish or ham, hushpuppies, baked beans, potato salad, dessert and beverage for \$12 and once again kids eight and younger eat FREE!

Grab your dancing shoes and come out for music by Big Jake and the Tag-A-Longs. While you are there, don't forget to purchase the 50/50 raffle tickets. The drawing is at 2:15. Winners need not be present to win. We'll give you a call.

So mark your calendars now, LABOR DAY, SEPT. 4, LILLIAN COMMUNITY CLUB. Fun for all ages and by participating you become a part of the Optimist Club's major fundraisers to help kids. See you there.



**Just a Thought or Two**

By Sally McKinney

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There are also people who do not sweat because of an underlying medical condition. They should not go outside when temperatures and heat index soar.

I've just finished watching several courses in history starting from the beginning of the homo-sapiens/human race, through the BC and medieval eras to the end of Queen Elizabeth I reign. Except for the Tudor era, these courses covered the regular folk only bringing up the well-known figures of their age as explanation on how it affected the population. Interesting and fascinating facts that we never learned in school.

However, to my dismay, what I came away with besides this information, was the fact that humans, not including their technology, have not changed. They have not advanced in spirituality or in temperament. As a whole, humans are still as violent and hateful and despite an education, they are still as ignorant.

I can't watch the evening news anymore. It disgusts me how and what a human being can do to another, the evil seems to permeate throughout society. The U.S. is number one in child sex slavery. Granted much of the transport of such a horrid business comes across our southern border but these crime bosses come because they know they can make money.

We have children here in Lillian whose neighbors have been subjected to hateful, dangerous behavior and the kids just laugh and give the authorities the finger. It is a crude world we live in now and a sad world we live in.

The same violence still exists with wars because some egomaniac wants to control more people, more land, more wealth and more power at the expense of their citizens. That's what war is all about. Nothing changes.

Although, I believe we all carry unwanted baggage from our lifetime of experiences, most of us don't head in the wrong direction because of it. We should appreciate the really good citizens, whether it is the nice little old lady down the block or the guy who mows your lawn because I'm beginning to think the good ones are far few and in-between.

Like I've always said and I'm sure many others have said, "if we don't know history, you are doomed to repeat it over and over again."

"He that sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love."

- Unknown.



## Bits and Pieces

By Jackie Reid

### ATTENTION NW FL - SW ESCAMBIA RESIDENTS

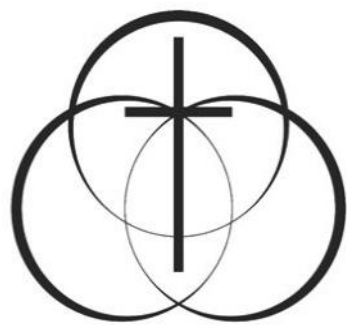
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## Life is Full of Difficulties: Best Advice is to "Be of Good Cheer"

I grew up with a special needs older brother and witnessed how cruel people were towards him. When I was 10, he had to be institutionalized and I remember crying my eyes out praying to the Lord to please make my brother better.

This past fall I laid him to rest at the age of 53 following infections he developed from burn wounds he received from the abuse of a group home employee.

When I was nine, we went to my grandparents' home to eat with my dad's side of the family and exchange Christmas gifts. When we arrived, I discovered my grandfather was having a heart attack and what was supposed to have been a time of cheer was spent crying over his passing. My father was a medic and fireman and tried to revive him. I'll never forget seeing him weep as he was unable to bring him back.

At 12 my parents divorced and after a year and a half of living with my father, I moved in with my mother and grandparents. Before finishing college two more of my grandparents passed.

By age 37 my remaining grandmother and both of my parents passed. As I write this, I am sitting in a recliner having to change wound bandages from a back-to-back surgical procedure that is taking me a lot longer to recover from than I or my doctor hoped. I know I will heal, and this will be just another of my sad memories, but it feels hopeless right now.

Yet through it all God has been good to me and provided peace and comfort in ways that I will never be able to comprehend.

We all understand the despair of hardships and suffering. For those who have experienced physical and emotional suffering, disappointment and struggles you know how hard it can be to be hopeful.

The unexpected and unwelcome storms of suffering will come your way in many forms. Your storm may look like a lost relationship or a lost job. Your terrible tempest may include financial reversals or a health crisis. When it hits, you will ask, "Where do these stinking storms come from?" and "Can my suffering fit into God's plan?" One of the great benefits of Christianity is adopting a Jesus-centered worldview which helps make sense of suffering. Jesus declared, "In this world, you will have tribulation, but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." (John 16:33) In this statement Jesus reveals two truths about suffering: first, you will crash into it; and second, God will win! I cannot imagine going through this life without Jesus as my Lord and Savior.

In this life, we will encounter tribulation and suffering that stems from three primary sources: the devil, disasters, and disobedience.

The devil is a real and personal force for evil who wants to hurt you. Satan's job description is to "kill, steal and destroy." (John 10:10) Jesus comes to bless and Satan comes to blast! You need to understand that the devil authors an immense amount of suffering. Another source of suffering is disasters. We live in a fallen world that is dangerous and unpredictable, making life fleeting and fragile.

On the jagged journey of life, you will be bloodied and bruised when your path crosses those inevitable disasters. There will be train wrecks, pandemics, tornadoes, earthquakes, floods, fires, famine, babies born with deformities and every type of disease in our flawed environment.

So, don't be shocked when you have a wreck with a natural disaster in this fallen world because it comes with the territory. Thirdly, disobedience is a factor in the equation of suffering. God wired into you a freedom to choose. You can receive or reject Christ.

You are not a puppet. Your choices can bring blessings or disastrous consequences for you and for others. But here is the rest of the story, Jesus proclaimed, "Be of good cheer for I have overcome the world!" Jesus is the Resurrected Redeemer and His power is bigger than your problem!



### The Methodist Message

By Rev. Daniel Randall



## Lillian Firefighters Study Landing Zone Safety

The Lillian Volunteer Fire Department responded to 76 calls dispatched by the 911 operators in June: 39 Medical Assistance; 9 Public Assists; 2 Motor Vehicle Accidents/Clean up; 1 Brush Fire; 1 Structure Fire; 8 Cancelled en route; 14 False Alarm/Miscellaneous; and 2 Aircraft Standby.

To ensure excellence in the Lillian Volunteer Fire Dept, Chief, Dewhurst and Deputy Chief, Mullane are consistently providing training opportunities to promote highly skilled and professional firefighters. Not only are the firefighters provided with the best training, but several have also been through extensive training to become certified instructors. All the hard work of the officers has afforded our department a well-deserved reputation as first-class fire fighters and instructors. Because of our highly trained instructors, we were approached by Summerdale VFD and requested to hold a Hazmat A&O class for their department and several other fire departments in the surrounding fire districts. Although this was a last-minute request, LVFD personnel immediately stepped up to the challenge to ensure the class was planned and taught without issue.

Over the years, LVFD has encountered many of our medical calls turning into critical situa-

tions where an emergency evacuation is needed. Depending on the situation and traffic, air flights are usually requested for transportation. As you can imagine, it can be very dangerous for helicopters to land in small spaces with buildings and overhead power lines. Precise communication between the fire department and pilot is essential for a safe landing and takeoff. For this reason, continued training is essential. Last month, Perdido Beach Fire and AirCare hosted a Landing zone class for our department and our mutual aid departments - thank you Perdido for hosting this event.

It won't be long before the kids are back at school; however, some families are going to find it extremely difficult to purchase the required school supplies because of financial difficulties. To help our communities, Lillian, Josephine, Elberta and Perdido Beach volunteer fire departments have setup a school supply drive to support our children in Elberta schools. The drive was held last Saturday at the Lillian Dollar General. This will continue for the next several Saturdays. Please help us in providing essential supplies and opportunities for all our children.

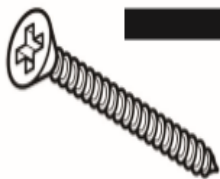
LVFD would like to remind all Lillian residents and surrounding areas that the BURN BAN starts May 1 through October 31.

## Lillian Volunteer Fire Department

By Goretti Lysek



Lillian volunteer firefighters (above) participate in landing zone classes.



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## REMINDERS & NEWS SHORTS

### Optimists Bestow Youth Leadership Scholarship Award to Jo Ellen Rogers

Jo Ellen Rogers, a Sophomore at Elberta High School, was the recipient of the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership scholarship presented by the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay. She recently visited the Saturday morning breakfast meeting to let the membership know how the event affected her life now and the influence she expects it to have in the future.



### First Baptist Congregation Invited to 'Interest' Meeting on Holy Land Trip

Officials at The First Baptist Church are asking members of its congregation to attend a meeting exploring the interest in a group trip to The Holy Land.

Pastor Josh Thompson will be taking the trip from October 29 to November 7. of this year.

The meeting is slated for Sunday, August 13 at 5 p.m.

The church is located at 34421 Barclay Ave., Lillian.

**BUNCO AUGUST 5:** Come join us on August 5 for our 13 Annual Bunco Bash fund raiser for "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer" at the Lillian Community Club. Cost is \$35 at the door. Information is at 251-978-4442 or by email at kekay926@gmail.com, or mason.waid@yahoo.com. More on page 21.

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## CHIT CHAT

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

The Lillian friends and family of Connie Synco wish her a speedy recovery! August birthday congratulations go out to Patricia

B. Wheeler. She will be 83 and is a great mother and grandmother, Hal Heiner, Mary Collier, Faith Dowd, Gene Stewart, Ginny Foreman-Wynn, Teresa Metts, Georgia Everett, Kayla Cooper, Larry Price, Art Ensign, Greg Wade, John Asbjornsen, Virginia Allen, James Harden, Mitzie Wolowic, Billy Youngs, Charllotte Befay,

Nita Tate, William Vana, Cliff Collier, Carl Benoit, Bruce Allen, Garnet Brady, June Dupree, Ken Mason, Marty Leonard, Ron Tremblay and Frances Garner. August anniversary congratulations go out to Lee and Cheryl Hoffman, Brandon and Misty Williams, Bob and Charlene Taylor (1982), Eu-

gene and Gail Stewart (1992) and David and Lois Mitchell (2008).

If you would like to add or delete information from the Chit Chat column, please email [lillianeditor@yahoo.com](mailto:lillianeditor@yahoo.com), mail it to The Lillian, P.O. Box 1088, Lillian, 36549 Or you may place a note in our folder at Lillian Perdido Bay Library, Lillian. Deadline for the September issue is Wednesday August 23.

## FRIENDS of ZION



## Bible Verses

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## The Lillian WHERE TO GO & WHAT TO DO

### Highway 95 Took LCC's Fourth of July Celebration to a New Level

In Anntasia Jones' family, folks took music seriously.

Too seriously, if you ask the lead singer for the Highway 95 band.

Her resounding vocals were the sound track to the fireworks at the Lillian Community Club this Fourth of July. The Club outdid itself for entertainment this year. The joyful noise of Highway 95 rivaled the splendor of the skyrockets celebrating summer and liberty at its Independence Day bash.

Singer Jones grew up belting Gospel in daily duets and weekly church performances. Over time, music came to be less of a pleasure and more of a grind.

"My mom was a perfectionist," Jones said in a recent interview. "She took it very seriously and I eventually just got burnt out and gave up music for awhile."

It wasn't until she got to college that she discovered opera and reconnected with her talent.

"It wasn't until I found opera and music theater that I realized how much I loved being onstage and loved performing," she said. "It wasn't until that pressure was off that I could find joy in music again."

You can hear the opera training as Jones' evocative sound fills the expanses

of the LCC in her masterful rendition of "Shallow," popularized by Lady Gaga and Bradley Cooper from the 2018 film remake of "A Star is Born." The superstars won an Oscar for the song, but Perkins' live performance measures up to the famous duet.

Jones demurs, tossing kudos to her husband Jeremiah and the band's stable of sound technicians.

"The sound guys make a lot of magic in the back," she says.

While the band prides itself on the variety of its repertoire, *Shallow* is an outlier in its playbook. Motown hits, country and classic rock are the staples of the Highway 95 playlist.

That's what drummer and singer Ken Perkins grew up on with his garage band buddies in the Boomer era. He sings with the band now, but he's always been all about the drums.

"I always wanted to play the drums as a little kid," he said "I asked for a drum set every Christmas."

He got them.

But Perkins' relationship with singing is the opposite of Jones'.

"I had no desire to sing," he said. "The fact that I'm singing with the band is a big accident."

During an interim when the band was recruiting a new lead singer, the recently retired Navarre fire chief started standing in at practice. It wasn't long before the search had ended right where it started and Perkins kept his hand on the mic.

For a guy who has no desire or background in vocals, Perkins feels quite comfortable covering legendary country crooners like George Jones for *He Stopped Loving Her Today*. You would never guess that singing was an afterthought as he aptly delivers *Purple Rain* and Southern rock hits from ZZ Top and Lynyrd Skynyrd.

"We're all over the map " he tells the audience. "If you don't like what we're playing now, just wait a couple songs and we'll be on to something else."

If the band is all over the musical map, Jones is the passport to many of the continents. And, like any good tour guide, she likes to tell a tale as she goes.

"The songs I love to sing most are the ones that tell a story," she says.

She brings us to *Jolene* in a soulful sound that is familiar, but not at all Dolly Parton. She gives us the grit in Joplin's *Me and Bobby McGee*. And she she loves to hype a crowd with Elle's *X's and O's*.

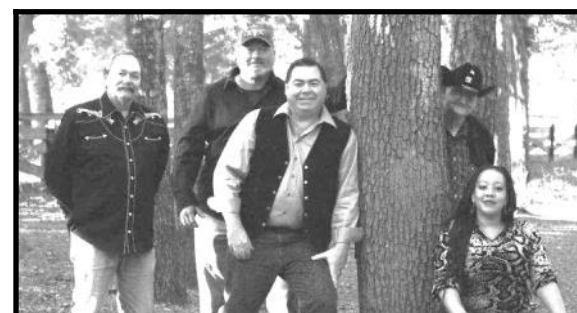
Whatever Highway 95 is playing, all roads lead to the dance floor.

*The Wobble, Boot Scoot Boogie and Wagon Wheel* are sure to get the line dancers up and prancing. Jones is known to hop off the stage and join dancers in country choreography.

"I just can't help but join in the fun " she said.

You can join in on the fun with Highway 95 on Aug. 26 at American Legion 340 on Ashland Avenue in Pensacola.

We certainly hope they'll be back in Lillian sometime very soon.



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| 7-9 AM      | Breakfast - \$5 (Kids 8 & younger eat free!)  |
| 7:15 AM     | Presentation of the Flag by American Legion Post 48   |
| 7:30 AM     | Run for the Mullet 5 K Run/Walk Age Group Awards<br>Followed by 5K Runners/Walkers Party                  |
| 8AM-2 PM    | Silent Auction, Déjà Vu Market & Bake Sale  |
| 8:30AM      | 1 Mile Mullet Fun Run   |
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## Bayside Hosts 'Southern Plainsmen Quartet' to Perform Aug. 6, 6 p.m. - Community Invited



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The concert will begin at 6 p.m..

The Southern Plainsmen was formed in the rolling pine hills of west central Louisiana in 1978. They were named the "Group of the Year" in 2011 and 2015.

They were the recipients of the Psalmist Award in 2012. In 2011, 2012 and 2013 they were named "Gospel Gold Artists of the Year" in Pigeon Forge, TN as part of the Heritage Gospel Music Festival.

They have produced 20 albums with more projects on the way. They have performed on many radio and television programs around the country.

Come and experience this talented quartet at Bayside Baptist Church in Lillian on August 6 at 6 p.m.

## Optimists Welcome Van Pelt Into the Fold



The Optimist Club of Perdido Bay welcomed a new member, Bob Van Pelt, recently. With Bob are Optimists Past President Jeff Keener, left, and current President Dodd Bouchillonl. The club meets at 8 a.m. on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month at the Lillian Community Club. Breakfast is served free to guests. Interested men and women are invited to attend without a formal invitation.

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MONDAYS -KARAOKE

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\*CAFÉ \*BAR \*LIVE MUSIC DAILY 11 A.M.— 11 P.M. 7 DAYS A WEEK

*Seafood baskets, po'boys wings and burgers as well as salads served with shrimp, chicken & fish fried blackened or grilled***LUNCH SPECIALS 11-4****Monday: 2 for 1 HOT DOGS \$7.95****Tuesdays: \$2.50 TACOS & 1/2 PRICE MAGARITAS****Wednesday: AYCE SPAGHETTI \$8.95****Thursday: 2 for 1 SHRIMP BASKET \$12.95****Friday: FRIED WHITFISH BASKET \$10.95****THE GATHERING****Sundays 10-11 a.m. with Pastor Rick****SCHEDULE THROUGH AUGUST**

7/28 BRANDON GILES 6-10	8/11 AL & CATHY 6-10
7/29 LUCKY DOGGS 6-10	8/12 TBA
7/30 TBA	8/13 JOHNNY CATHY BRITT 4-8
8/2 JB DYESS 5-9, CRAIG MALCOM	8/16 HIPPIY JIM 5-9
8/4 GARY STORY & BAD HABBITS 6-10	8/18 TBA
8/5 JASON ABLE PROJECT 6-10	8/19 BRANDON GILES 6-10
8/6 JOHNNY BARBATO, CATHY PACE, BRITT MEACHAM 4-8	8/20 JOHNNY CATHY BRITT 4-8
8/9 T BONE MONTGOMERY 5-9	8/23 T BONE MONTGOMERY 5-9
	8/25 SUGARCANE JANE 6-10
	8/26 GEARHEAD 6-10
	8/27 JOHNNY CATHY BRITT 4-8

**EVERY WEEK**

\*MONDAY: KAROKE  
 \*TUESDAY: DAMIEN LAMB 2-5 AND RHONDA HART, ELAINE PETTY 5-9  
 \*WED: JAY & ERIC 2-5  
 \*THURS: WIRE & CO 2-6, OPEN MIC 6-10 GARY STORY  
 \*FRIDAY: J HAWKINS 2-5  
 \*SAT: JON JOINER 2-5  
 \*SUN: DARREL ROBERTS 1-4

CHECK US OUT ON facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/lillianfrontporch>**LILLIAN COMMUNITY CLUB**

34148 Widell Ave., Lillian, AL 36549

Office Hours: Mon.-Fr. 8A.M.—11A.M. Office (251) 962-3366 &amp; Lounge (251) 962-3966

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**BINGO  
TUESDAYS 6:00 P.M.**

**Its getting close to our annual  
 Rummage sale that will be held in  
 October.  
 So gather all your items you  
 would like to donate.  
 Thank you  
 No mattresses or electronics**



August 5, 2023 10 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.  
 In the Hall at Lillian Community Club  
 Lunch will be provided  
 Registration is \$35  
 Contact Kay Kay 251-978-4442  
**Making strides against breast cancer**

**LOUNGE HOURS**

Sunday thru Thursday  
 11:00 A.M.—10:00 P.M.  
 Friday and Saturday  
 11:00 A.M.—11:00 P.M.

Bloody Mary's Sundays 11-3  
**\$2.50**

**BANDS:**

**T-Bird and the Fat Cats Aug 4  
 Big Jake Aug 11  
 Jimmy Smith Aug 13  
 Wicked Jones Aug 18  
 Gary Story Aug 20  
 Southern Breeze Aug 25**

**A \$5.00 COVER CHARGE FOR  
 NON MEMBERS**