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MULLET TOSS TIME!

Optimist's 37th Annual Mullet Festival:

*A Fundraiser That Draws Locals to
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Summer is just about over. The kids are back in school. However, fun time is not over, as the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay hosts the 37th Annual Labor Day Mullet Festival on Monday, Sept. 4 at the Lillian Community Club. It is the major fundraising event for the club whose mission is to "Bring Out the Best in Kids."

American Legion Post 48 will once again be on hand to present the colors at 7:15 a.m. to officially begin the event.

The day starts with a 5K Run/Walk. Registration is available at www.OptimistClubPB.org or at 6 a.m. on Labor Day. The run starts at 7:30 a.m. Winners will be announced and awards given at the Runner/Walker Party. A One Mile Fun Run will begin at 8:30 a.m.

The famous Optimist breakfast will be served from 7 to 9 a.m. The cost is \$5, but kids eight and under eat free. The menu includes scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, fruit and drinks.

Running and eating are not the only events of the day. The Silent Auction, Déjà Vu Market and Bake Sale will be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Silent Auction will feature gift cards, baskets of goodies and other special items. Visit the Déjà Vu market for a variety of gently used items. Don't for-

get to stop by the Bake Sale to purchase homemade goodies.

The Mullet Toss will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. with age-level prizes to be awarded in the hall at 12:30.

Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will include fish or ham, hushpuppies, beans, potato salad, dessert and tea. The cost is \$12, but once again, kids eight and under eat free.

Big Jake & the Tag-A-Longs will be providing music for singing and dancing from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The 50/50 Drawing will be held at 2:15 p.m. Participants need not be present to win.

The Optimist club of Perdido Bay provides approximately \$10,000 in grants to local schools and school and area organizations that serve the needs of children and teens in the community. Members provide a weekly reading program for Kindergarten and First Grade students at Elberta Elementary, participate in the Willie Nell Evans Thanksgiving Lunch for all Baldwin County Special Needs students, and deliver Christmas gifts to special needs students at area schools.

The club hosts "Breakfast with Santa", provides gifts to the children, sponsors the annual Lillian Christmas Parade, helps with Trunk-R-Treat, hosts the community Easter Egg Hunt and fishing rodeo and conducts annual Essay and Oratorical contests in local schools.

Educator of the Year awards are presented to Elberta Elementary, Middle and High Schools and St. Benedict Catholic School. The club provides lunch for all participating in the Baldwin County special Olympics and provides the Law Appreciation Program that honors officers and gives scholarships to family members.

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Lillian Legion Post 48 Slates September Events, Membership Drive

Reminder to all Post 48 Legionnaires. Your 2024 dues are due. If you have not renewed it yet – please do not forget: WE NEED YOU!

Members of Post 48 hope you have all had a safe and happy summer, with September arriving it brings us to the end of the year summer holiday Labor Day, Please join us in the raising of the flag on two days this September, first for the Optimist Mullet Festival 9/4/2023 at 7:15 and second on September 11, 2003 at 7:45 remembering when a series of four coordinated attacks by the Wahhabi Islamist terrorist group Al-Qaeda against the United States on the morning of Tuesday, September 11, 2001.

We hope all of you will say a silent prayer on that morning of the 11th, for all the veterans, firemen, policemen and civilians who lost their lives on that day many years ago.

All veterans in the Lillian area are invited to join Post 48 and become a part of the largest Veteran organization in the United States. The focus has been and always will be on service to the community and support of our Veterans. The four pillars of the American Legion are: Fostering a strong national security, taking care of Veterans, mentoring the youth of our nation and promoting patriotism and honor.

MEDICAL CLOSET: Post 48 would like to reaffirm to the Lillian Community that the Medical Closet is for all Lillian citizens and there is absolutely no charge. Many items are available for use, such as walkers, hospital beds, toilet items and walkers. The only requirement is the return of said items when no longer needed. Donations are accepted to assist in the maintenance of this valuable commodity.

The individuals to contact are as follows: Bill Burns @ 251 978-3440 and Darrel Ochs @ 251 961-1291. We are very fortunate to have this much needed service and we invite everyone to use it.



Lillian American Legion Post 48

By Wayne B. Lavalley,

Membership applications may be picked up at the American Legion Building next to the Lillian Community Club on Wednesday mornings between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., from any member, or at any American Legion meeting.

Every Wednesday morning from 9 -11 a.m. many of our members "drop by" the American Legion Building 48. The building is located next door to the Lillian Community Club, adjacent to the POW/MIA flag. Drop by and join us!

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Once again, the Book Sale for August at the Library is over, and we got rid of a lot of books. We are so grateful that the DVD collection on sale was purchased. Our next sale will be in February. The library is continually searching for someone to pick up many children's books and the cost is "FREE"!!



Lillian Perdido Bay Library
Corner
By Betty Bovat

The big news is: The Lillian Perdido Bay Library is having an open house on Sunday, October 1, 2023, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the library with refreshments, to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the library, 34081 Ichler Ave., Lillian.

If you have not been inside this library, what a great time for an inside tour and to get a library card for checking anything out that is available on the shelves. (We do have A/C!)

For the 30-year Celebration, we are planning to erect a large significant sign on our front lawn. In the meantime, we will have a nice vinyl name sign there.

We have asked for public donations to help and have received some generous ones. Our mailing address is:

Lillian Perdido Bay Library, Lillian, AL. 36549 P.O. Box

This library is a total donation library. We do not receive any monies from the state, county, or federal governments. We are also a total volunteer library. If anyone would like to spend a couple of hours a week as a volunteer, please call the library at: 251-962-4700 to set up an appointment with the President. Our thanks to our newest volunteer, Alex Miskiewicz.

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

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OBITUARIES

Richard Lee Martin, 88, Lillian

Richard Lee Martin, 88, of Lillian, AL, passed away July 21, 2023, peacefully at home with his beloved wife Johanna at his side. His family and friends miss him dearly but are comforted knowing he is resting in the arms of his Heavenly Father. **Rejoice!**

Richard was born in Bartholomew County, Indiana to Jess & Winnie Martin. He was fifth of their seven children: Stella, Broten, Ruth, Paul, Richard, Charlotte, and Nancy.

Richard graduated from Columbus High School in Columbus, Indiana in 1953 and then swiftly enlisted into the Army and served three years, mostly at Fort McNair, Washington, D.C., where he then met his soon to be wife, Johanna.

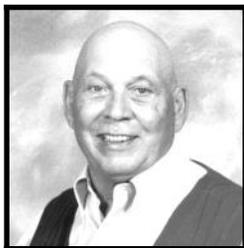
He and Johanna were married Sept 8, 1956. The newlyweds soon moved to Youngstown Ohio where he started his apprenticeship and worked as an Electrician at Youngstown Sheet and Tube for nine years. He then worked at General Motors as an Electrician from 1972 until retirement in 1999. Among his many achievements, his most prized was his family.

Upon retirement, he and his wife Jo logged thousands of miles across the USA in their RV.

Settling in Lillian, AL, Richard spent his time cracking wise with his buddies and watching his westerns. Most of all he enjoyed dancing with his beloved wife.

Preceding in death are his parents Jess and Winnie, sisters Stella and Ruth and brothers Broten and Paul. He is survived by his sisters Charlotte and Nancy, his wife Johanna of 66 years and his children, Elizabeth (Larry), Gary, Rebecca (John), and Jessica. He leaves eight grandchildren, Kelly, Lauren, Taylor, Carrie, Sarah, William, Jesse, and Stacey. He leaves 11 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

He was a faithful member of Lillian Methodist Church. A Celebration of Life was held at Lillian Methodist Church to celebrate his life and his birthday in August. As he loved to praise the Lord, we kindly request if you want to donate money, please do so in his memory to Lillian Methodist Church, Lillian, AL 12770 N Perdido St, Lillian, AL 36549.



Margaret (Peggy) Slevin, 91

Margaret (Peggy) Slevin of Midland TX passed away peacefully with her daughter Linda Hill and granddaughter Kristin Danley by her side on Saturday, August 12, 2023. She was 91. Peggy was born on December 8, 1931, in Philadelphia PA to Margaret and Martin Kersse. She became a Registered Nurse, graduating from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing class of 1953. She married John (Jack) Slevin on September 7, 1957, and served proudly alongside him as a United States Air Force wife for 22 years and 6 months. In addition to being a military wife, she worked as a nurse in Philadelphia PA, Brownsville NJ, Oscoda MI, Abilene TX and Austin TX, serving for 37 years and retiring in 1990.



She was actively involved in the Catholic Church, a member of the Little Flock Franciscan Fraternity of the Five Franciscan Martyrs Region. She and Jack traveled extensively throughout the United States, Mexico, and Canada. When not traveling with their RV, they loved seeing the world on cruise ships. Much of their travels included visiting their children and grandchildren. She was an avid knitter and for years she knitted newborn hats for her daughter, Linda, to give out to her patients. Peggy is preceded in death by her parents Margaret and Martin, her husband Jack, her brother Marty, and her son, Jay.

She is survived by her daughters Kathy (Keith) Clore of Percy IL and Linda (Rick) Hill of Midland TX, four grandchildren Erin (Jordan) Barrett, Marlana (Joshua) Dickinson, Kristin (Shane) Danley, Daniel (Jennifer) Rondeau and eight great grandchildren Illiaina Dickinson, Brooklyn Barrett, Joshua Rondeau, Emma Danley, Addison Barrett, Julia Danley, Olivia Rondeau, and Sylvia Rondeau.

Family and friends will be invited to a memorial celebration held at St. Joseph's Parish Catholic Church on November 21, 2023 at 10 a.m., 12688 Santa Piedro St. Lillian AL 36549. Interment to follow at Barrancas National Cemetery at NAS Pensacola, FL alongside her husband of 57 years.

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The deadline for the October issue of *The Lillian* will be September 20.

Anyone may send an email to 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 continue exploring 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 are 100% volunteer driven and each volunteer opportunity is specifically designed for each individual's interests and availability.

"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 at-home people to do," explained Lucy Smith.

"Do you like to face paint? The Park can use your skills and talents!

"Or you can help refurbish and paint the birdhouses in our gardens or help put out the yard signs for different events." Interested in gardening? There's a place for you. Interested in helping with planning Christmas in the Park? The committee would love to have you. 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'd love to have you. No matter your interest, we have a place for you. (And you'll get a cool t-shirt, too.)

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

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Monica Leonard, (703) 622-0055, or Lucy Smith, (719) 494-7986.





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Remembering Holy Cross Day

The Church has some peculiar observances. One such “feast” occurs every year on September 14 - Holy Cross Day. Remembering the Patriarchs and Saints, has long been the custom of the Church. But what about inanimate objects — a crossbeam of wood and its vertical support?

A major feast observed on Sept. 14 is honor of Christ's self-offering on the cross for our salvation. The prayer for Holy Cross Day remembers that Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to him, and prays that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him. The themes of Holy Cross Day are powerfully expressed by the hymn "Lift High the Cross". This feast is known as "The Exaltation of the Holy Cross" in the eastern church and it is known as "The Triumph of the Cross" in the Roman Catholic Church.

Historically, the feast has been associated with the dedication on Sept. 14, 335, of a complex of buildings built by the Emperor Constantine (c. 285-337) in Jerusalem on the sites of the crucifixion and Christ's tomb. This shrine included a large basilica and a circular church. Constantine's mother, Helena (c. 255- c. 330), supervised the construction of the shrine, and a relic of wood believed to be the cross was discovered during the work of excavation. Claims by the Church of Jerusalem to have the cross date from the mid-fourth century, and the pilgrim Egeria mentions a feast commemorating the discovery of the cross in Jerusalem in the late-fourth-century.

This feast has also been associated with the showing in Jerusalem of the cross by the Byzantine Emperor Heraclius (575-641). He recovered the relic from the Persian Empire who took it from Jerusalem in 614AD when they destroyed part of Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Although the authenticity of alleged relics of the cross may be questionable, Holy Cross Day provides an opportunity for a joyous celebration of Christ's redeeming death on a cross.

While Good Friday is dedicated to the Passion of Christ and the crucifixion, the feast day of Holy Cross day draws into focus the instrument of salvation itself. The cross, then, with Christ crucified upon it is the ultimate revelation of who God is and how He is toward us.

Our forefathers dedicated Holy Cross Day to jolt the Church into remembrance that it is the cross on the hill rather than the Sermon on the Mount that produced the impact of Christianity upon the world.

The early church fathers wanted the Church to remember that Christ was crucified as the act of God. That is what makes the cross “holy.” Not only was the crucifixion the act of redemption, it is also the greatest moment of divine revelation. This is Christianity.

And this is the Reformation. What Martin Luther taught was not that God is somehow there, despite pain, humiliation, anguish, sin, and death. Instead, Luther taught that God Himself confronts us in person and makes His presence near, in and through pain, humiliation, anguish, sin and death.

The contrary things of failure, sin, and death constitute the raw material which God personally transforms the human heart. God reveals Himself through a contrary form — cruciform. Cross, not glory. Crucifixion, not glorification. That is how it is on this side of Heaven. It is precisely within this that we see God.

As disciples of Jesus, we have to ensure that we talk about the Cross not as a sanitized symbol, scrubbed of blood and vacant, but that we are proclaiming a Jesus who was crucified to death and through that alone secures our pardon from a crucifixion.

It is real. It is graphic. It is frightening and, even more so, it is glorious and good. All too often the Cross is relegated to one small area of Christian doctrine. But the Cross stamps a decisive impression upon every facet of the Christian faith. The universal symbol of the Christian faith, the cross represents Christ's victory over death.

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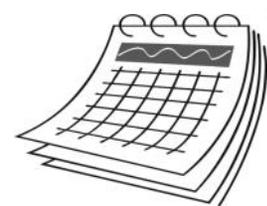
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September 5, 12, 19 & 26 at 7 PM - ALANON meeting in the conference room, at Lillian Methodist Church, located at 12770 S. Perdido St., Lillian, AL.

September 7, 14, 21 & 28 at 10 AM - Ageless Grace (Exercise for the Body & Brain), at Lillian Methodist Church, located at 12770 S. Perdido St., Lillian, AL. For more information contact Sharyon Miller at 850-221-8630.

September 9 & 23 at 8AM - Join Perdido Bay Optimist Club for Breakfast and a Program at the Lillian Community Club. (No Reservation Needed & Guests eat for Free!)

September 14 from 1-3 PM - Dementia Education Forum & Caregiver Support Group with guest speaker Sharon Oakes, Senior Care Advisor for Assisted Living Locators, at Lillian Methodist Church, located at 12770 S. Perdido St., Lillian, AL. For more information contact Sharyon Miller at 850-221-8630.

September 30 from 8 AM – 2 PM - Bake & Craft Sale, at Lillian Methodist Church, located at 12770 S. Perdido St., Lillian, AL. To reserve a booth contact Jo Nagorka at 561-339-0303 or jonagorka@yahoo.com



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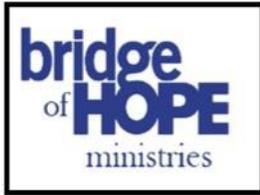
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Utmost importance to have a large turnout of our residents at these meetings to influence the Board Members that we want 0.5 minimum lot size 2 houses per acre, which Planning and Zoning staff wants to leave it as RSF-2, 15,000 sq. ft., 2.9 houses per acre! Mark your calendars, attend, bring others, PLEASE! Email me with your vote of support for the amendments TA-23001 and opposition to Z23-31 and I will take them to the meeting!

Crain RV Park Application Defeated heard August 3rd by the Planning & Zoning Commission with a vote for denial. This does not require a hearing before the Baldwin County Commissioners; therefore, final unless appealed. Complete Construction Car Wash/Retail Space heard August 3 by the Planning & Zoning Commission with a vote for approval; will move forward to the Baldwin County Commissioners for Public Hearing and final vote. B-4 is current zoning for this location ... car wash/retail space is allowed in that category at 29914 U.S. Highway 98, Elberta, AL



Keeping it Country

By Tracey Gambill

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ALDOT \$13,920 for materials/installation for a flashing beacon for the Lillian Volunteer Fire Department at the entrance of US Hwy 98 from Santa Piedra Street.

We are orking with Baldwin County to lobby for funding. Upcoming traffic study at US 98 and CR 91 to determine if reduced speed limit advisory signs are appropriate or other options as necessary.

GRIEVANCES with our local ordinances text amendments have been resolved. The remaining items will be handled by Frank Lundy, County Engineer, who now oversees Planning & Zoning.

FLOODING ISSUES ongoing examination.

WONDERS: Now forming a committee of local citizens to volunteer to begin addressing our infrastructure needs. Please submit your number one issue. Please contact me if you wish to be on the committee. So far we have two volunteers and need an additional four. *Wonder* who they will be?

NATURAL WONDERS: Always remember, your inner strength is more powerful than you realize. I, for one, am grateful to be here. I will keep you updated in The Lillian each month ... please consider subscribing! Please submit *your* natural wonders to my email below ... as always keep KEEPING IT COUNTRY! All the best, Tracey Ruralcharacterlillian@gmail.com

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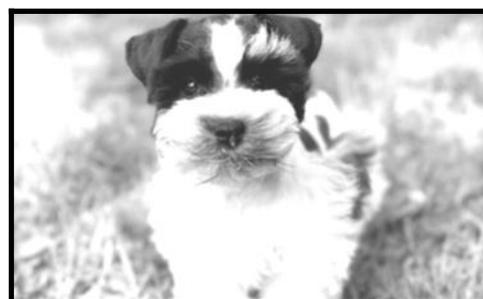
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When Retiring, You'll Experience Changes; Should You Include Living Arrangements?

The issue of downsizing is one that many retirees will consider. If you have children, and they've grown and left the home, you might find yourself with more space than you really need. Of course, this doesn't necessarily mean you must pack up and scale down yourself. You might love your home and neighborhood and see no reason to go. But if you're open to a change, you could find that moving to a smaller house, a condo or an apartment may make sense for you.



Financial Focus

By Jason Kozon
of Edward Jones

Let's consider some of the advantages of downsizing:

You could save money. Moving to a smaller space could lower your utility bills and upkeep costs.

You could save effort. A smaller home will mean less maintenance and cleaning.

You could de-clutter. Over the years, most of us accumulate more possessions than we really need. Downsizing gives you a chance to de-clutter. And you can do some good along the way, too, because many charitable organizations will welcome some of your items.

You could make money. If you've had your home for many years, it's certainly possible that it's worth more — perhaps a great deal more — than what you paid for it. So, when you sell it, you could pocket a lot of money — possibly without being taxed on the gains. Generally, if you've lived in your home for at least two years in the five-year period before you sold it, you can exclude \$250,000 of capital gains, if you're single, or \$500,000 if you're married and file taxes jointly. (You'll want to consult with your tax advisor, though, before selling your home, to ensure you're eligible for the exclusion, especially if you do own multiple homes. Issues can arise in connection with determining one's "primary" residence.)

While downsizing does offer some potentially big benefits, it can also entail some drawbacks. First of all, it's possible that your home might not be worth as much as you had hoped, which means you won't clear as much money from the sale as you anticipated. Also, if you still were paying off a mortgage on your bigger home, you may have been deducting the interest payments on your taxes — a deduction that might be reduced or lost to you if you purchase a less-expensive condo or become a renter. Besides these financial factors, there's the ordinary hassle of packing and moving. And if you're going to a much smaller living space, you may not have much room for family members who want to visit or occasionally spend the night.

So, as you can see, you'll need to weigh a variety of financial, practical and emotional issues when deciding whether to downsize. And you will also want to communicate your thoughts to grown children or other family members who may someday have reason to be involved in your living space. In short, it's a big decision — so give it the attention it deserves. For questions, please contact Jason Kozon of Edward Jones located at 22394 Mifflin Road in Foley, 251-943-3399. *This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor. Edward Jones, Member SIPC*

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Bad Beetle: Huge Mandibles, Nasty Bite and the Dreaded Aroma

How are people like clothes during a heat wave? We are all sweat-ers! Thank you, El Nino, for the heat-wave. It's so hot the air is all wavy, and there are little glowing spots. Wait, nope, those aren't spots. Those spots are just the super shiny thorax of the Fiery Searcher Beetle, *Calosoma scrutator*.

With over 40,000 species worldwide, more than 2,000 species in North America, ground beetles are common in most gardens. While this particular beetle is more common in Eastern states, they can also be found as far north as Canada, and as far South as Venezuela. They are rarely seen because of their nocturnal habits, dark colors and quick movements. Some ground beetle species may climb plant stalks in search of prey and can only be seen on flowers if they are chasing their dinner. If you provide dark, damp and sheltered habitats in your garden, you can encourage this beneficial ground beetle population.

Carabidae, or ground beetles, are one of the largest families of beetles. Most species are nocturnal predators who emerge from their hiding places at dusk to swiftly run down their prey. They are one of the largest ground beetles measuring around 1 1/4" in length. These beetles are flightless.

Their wings might not work, but their wing covers, called "elytra" (which are a pair of wings which create a hardened shell) are a gorgeous deep emerald green. The elytra has vertical grooves in it running from the "pronotum" to the tail. The edges are a vibrant magenta. The pronotum is a small oval, electric blue area that connects the head to the body, is outlined in rusty orange and

red. The head and the legs are the same electric blue. If you were to flip over the beetle to examine the underside, it is also fabulously colored. The colors blend and melt together like oil on water, or a deep blue carnival glass with rainbow sheen. The Fiery Searcher is a gorgeous beetle, well worth Google-ing.

The Fiery Searcher has long legs which you would think allows them to climb trees efficiently. And they do use their legs in that way. They also can put on huge bursts of speed, like a cheetah chasing a gazelle, to capture their prey. They take no prisoners, only snacks!

The other thing you'd notice about this beetle are the enormous mandibles! They are large, sharp, and curved. The mandibles even have an extra part to help shove the food into their mouths! Fiery searcher beetles hunt down and feast on caterpillars as well as any other soft-bodied insect they can clamp their mandibles on. Some species can even eat snails!

The Fiery Searcher beetle will also climb trees to feast on webworms and caterpillars: thus "Caterpillar Hunter" is often used as another common name. A single adult consumes hundreds of caterpillars during its lifetime. Fiery Searchers eat many types of caterpillars that would destroy melons, tomatoes, squash and other backyard garden delights! These meat-eating beetles can be a significant predator with a massive impact on the populations of larvae and caterpillars that destroy ornamental and agricultural plants.

As well as being able to give a nasty bite, these beetles are equipped with scent bladders or glands that can defensively release a fluid with a strong musky odor. The fluid found

within these scent bladders contain compounds like methacrylic acid! It can leave a lingering, unpleasant odor upon contact! This aroma is probably a defense against predators. You wouldn't want to eat anything that smelled that bad!

During the early summer months, female Fiery Searcher beetles will



Know Your Critters

By Celeste Hadley-Champion



Calosoma scrutator

deposit single eggs into the soil. The eggs will hatch within 3-15 days, depending on temperature. When the eggs hatch, the first thing the larvae

will do is go search for a snack! An individual larva will consume approximately 50 caterpillars during the three instars. "Instars" are growth periods of insects where the insect gets larger but stay fundamentally the same. (A roach is a good example of an insect that grows with instar stages.) The larvae eventually burrow back into soil to pupate for another 10-15 days. As adults, these beetles may live for as long as four years, but two to three years is more likely.

What is one of the longest living species of beetle?

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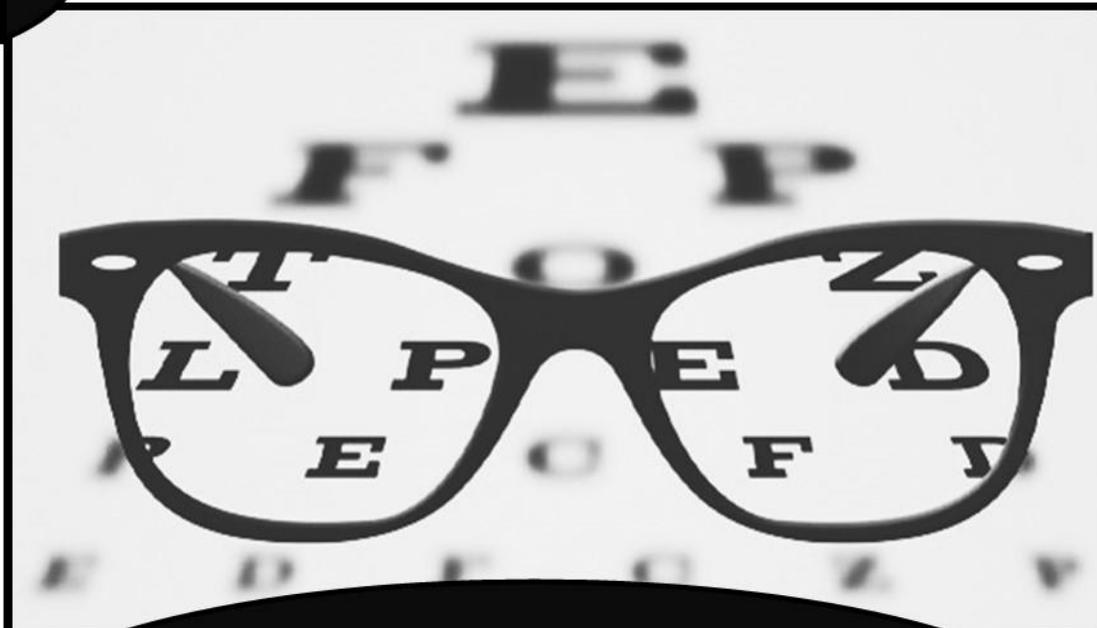


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Christmas in the Park Plans Underway; This Year's Celebration Begins on Dec. 1

For many weeks the main topic of conversation here has been the weather. "It's too hot, it's too humid, the pool is too warm, I can't work in my yard."

Did you know, though, there are a bunch of people who are thinking months ahead and talking about Christmas in the Park? Yep, it's our fifth year for the wonderful decorations at Lillian Recreational Park. So here's a quick reminder, in case your memory stick has been fried by the heat.

The event will begin on Friday, Dec. 1 with a Preview Party. Tickets will be available for this special event that will include wonderful food catered by Alabama Coastal Catering, the catering company for Cobalt, Luna and Cosmos. I guarantee you won't want to miss that. In addition, there will be a raffle and live auction. And, the lights will be turned on for the first time. If you are a business, donations would be appreciated for the raffle at the preview party.

The next day, Saturday, Dec. 2 is the official kick off of Christmas in the Park. There will be an Elf Run, a Christmas Card Contest, dozens of decorated Christmas pods, the 25-foot Wonderland Tree, a children's area, the Christmas Train and other entertainment. Santa will arrive just before dark in time for the official lighting of the decorations.

The park will be lit up each night until Monday, Jan. 1. It's a wonderful place to take holiday visitors, as it is any month of the year.

This is also an opportunity to become a park sponsor. There are several levels of sponsorship from \$5,000 to \$100. Your participation will help with the cost of the event and bring the entire community together to celebrate the joys, beauty and the magic of the season.

Last year's sponsors included Church of the Advent, Kirkman Companies, Lillian Chevron, Fireworks City, Optimist Club of Perdido Bay, Bobe's Garage, Gulf Shores Title, Doug and Nancy Scott, Joy Sullivan Realty, TK Tree & Landscaping, LLC and United Bank.

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If you are a Christmas person who can't think of anything but when you can start decorating your home, this is a perfect place for you to spend some time. Perhaps you go somewhere else for the holidays. This would be the perfect place to share your Christmas tal-



Just a Thought or Two

By Sally McKinney



ents before you leave. The planning meetings are open to all and your input for new ideas is welcome. The next meeting is at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 30. If you miss that one, contact me, alabamagrama@gmail, after Aug. 30 to get the date of the next meeting.

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Who is That Stranger in My Mirror?

I had to laugh when an older woman character from the novel I was reading proclaimed how much her face had aged. That the lines, wrinkles and sags made her look as though she were angry with the world if she wasn't smiling.

Often, I have observed that distortion in myself. Maybe we should remember that before we assume an older person is angry and mean.

I wrote a poem about this inevitable experience several years ago and was told by several women that the poem expressed the universal viewpoint of all older women. So, I've decided to share my poem with ya'll.



Bits and Pieces

By Jackie Reid

The Cruel Mirror Distorts My Image

*Does the mirror lie
when a stranger stares back at me
with lines and dark circles
bags and sags?*

*There's youth inside, I feel its vitality.
I see it from behind my eyes.
A trim body firm to the touch
and a face with healthy elasticity.*

*What horrid trick this mirror has played
reflecting back a shrunken lady
with wrinkled skin and hanging jowls.
I close my eyes and blink again
hoping the stranger is no longer there.
No such luck.*

"I'm thinking of calling in ghost-busters *caz* I'm convinced I live in a haunted house. Every time I look in the freakin' mirror, this old lady comes and stands in front of me and blocks out my reflection."

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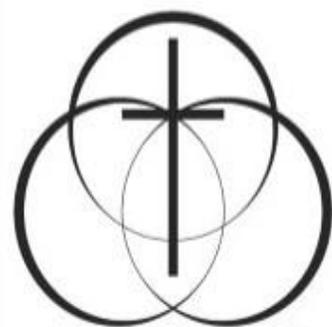
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Have you ever committed yourself to something and then changed your mind? Have you ever thought, "This is going to take more time, more energy, more of me than I expected"? Joan of Leeds had made a commitment to devote her life to God and the work of the church, but as the time came for her to join the convent, she had second thoughts. Not wanting to embarrass her family or keep her commitment, she unsuccessfully tried to fake her own death to get out of her commitment to the church. Joan "crafted a dummy in the likeness of her body in order to mislead the devoted faithful, and she had no shame in procuring its burial in a sacred space amongst the religious of that place." We all have trouble following through with our commitments sometimes. But few of us quit in such a spectacular manner as Joan of Leeds did. To fake your own death to get out of a commitment is a clear sign that you were never really committed to begin with. Many people want to benefit from Jesus, but few want to fully commit to Him. As long as they do not have to worship faithfully, live a devoted life to Christ, serve in the work of the church, tithe or be a witness for Christ to others then they are just fine with lip service when it is convenient. If you claim Christ as your Lord and Savior, you must ask ourselves, do we understand what it means to be a follower of Jesus?

Jesus challenges us in Matthew 10, "Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it." For Jesus, the cross meant death. But because of Jesus' death and resurrection, the cross is a new life for us. And that new life isn't conventional or comfortable. It will separate us from the values, priorities, and rewards of our culture. It may separate us from the people we love the most. Your own family and loved ones may come between you and your commitment to God. The way of the cross is incompatible with the ways of the world. Unbelievers should look at you like you have lost your mind. Our commitment to God's purposes, our trust in God's plans, should make us look radical and foolish and out-of-step with our culture. Ask yourself - Just how well do you fit into the things of this world? Jesus also challenges His disciples when He says, "Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, revere the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are two sparrows not sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows." And that's why Jesus can tell us to not be afraid, even in the face of challenging and uncertain circumstances: ". . . even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Your life is not meaningless or random. The God who created our vast and awesome universe knows you individually. And God values you. The God who made you in His holy image will never leave you or forsake you. If we really believed this, our fears would evaporate. We could take up our cross and follow Jesus with confidence, knowing that a God who loves us enough to count the very hairs on our heads has a purpose for our lives.

In Matthew 10:39 Jesus states: "Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it." There is joy and peace in living for God's purposes, a joy and peace that no earthly rewards can match. There is a reason that this verse is quoted in all four gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. It's an ironclad promise from the God who willingly chose to give up his own life to save us. God created us for a life of abundant joy, peace and purpose that can only be found in knowing Him and living for His purposes.

If you have put your trust in Jesus, confessed your sins and made Him your Lord and Savior, I want you to meditate on these questions: Is what you're living for worth dying for? Does your life reflect the priorities and purposes of God? Are you living out your faith with boldness and confidence, even when that separates you from the surrounding culture? Finally, do you trust Jesus' promises enough to take up your cross and follow him? If so, you will discover a joy, hope and peace that only come from living a fully surrendered Life for Jesus.



The Methodist Message

By Rev. Daniel Randall

Timing Your Weight Loss

This Book Takes Another Look at How to Stay Healthy by ‘Unlocking the Obesity Code’

I recently came across a Pinterest post that read what you eat in private you wear in public. May sound a little extreme but once I thought about that statement, I wondered how many people would admit their eating habits could use a little cleaning. In his book *Unlocking the Obesity Code*, Dr. Jason Fung, MD highlights the fact that it isn't just what we eat but when we eat that matters in preventing obesity. One of the key drivers he discusses in his book in maintaining a healthy weight is insulin. Insulin is a hormone created by the pancreas in response to foods that are digested. Its key function is to take glucose out of the bloodstream and divert it throughout the body to use for energy. Different amounts of insulin are released depending on the type of food being digested. If the food is refined and processed such as pastries or cookies, insulin levels are higher compared to eating something more nutrient dense like vegetables or natural grains. Our bodies are designed to naturally release insulin in appropriate amounts. Those who have certain diseases that

prevent the regulation of insulin require medical intervention. However, for those without a medical condition the body's mechanism to release insu-

ling up on their weight loss efforts. Something is obviously not working. Dr. Fung attributes this to high levels of insulin. Instead of eating two or

‘Eating less and moving more has been the long-standing model for weight loss; however, the body starts adjusting to the lower calories and weight loss becomes harder.’

lin appropriately is part of human survival. The difference is that we no longer eat for survival anymore like our primitive ancestors. We eat for many other reasons such as entertainment, enjoyment, and emotional comfort. Eating less and moving more has been the long-standing model for weight loss; however, the body starts adjusting to the lower calories and weight loss becomes harder. This is the body's set weight point leaving dieters frustrated and eventually giv-

ing up on their weight loss efforts. Something is obviously not working. Dr. Fung attributes this to high levels of insulin. Instead of eating two or three meals a day we tend to eat more frequently, and our bodies consistently produce insulin causing interference in the way the cells in our bodies receive and use glucose for energy. This is the same principle as antibiotic resistance. Take antibiotics for a long period of time and they become less effective.

Eat frequently throughout the day and the insulin response is in overdrive. The body stays in an insulin producing mode without having a



Health Corner

By Donna Chetta, RN

chance to properly reset itself. So how do you get your body back to this insulin homeostasis once again? Intermittent fasting is a good starting point. Intermittent fasting is eating during a certain window of time. Research shows fasting for a certain amount of time during the day and eating just one meal a few days a week may have health benefits. Intermittent fasting is not for everyone. Talk to your doctor before starting any new diet. If you would like to receive free tips on health and wellness, email me at wellnessd@wellnessdimensions-c.com.

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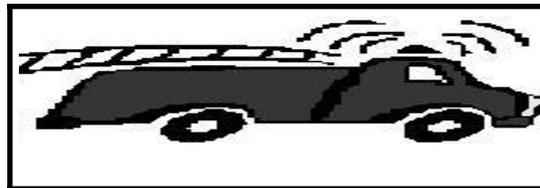
Dewhurst to Continue as LVFD Chief

The Lillian Volunteer Fire Department responded to 99 calls dispatched by the 911 operators in July: 54 Medical Assistance; 16 Public Assists; 2 Motor Vehicle Accidents/Clean up; 0 Brush Fire; 2 Structure Fire; 10 Cancelled en-route; 12 False Alarm/Miscellaneous; and 3 Aircraft Standby.

Last month the volunteer firefighters and board members voted on the continuation of Nick Dewhurst as the Department's Chief for LVFD. As many of you may know, every two years all the volunteers can either re-elect our present fire chief or elect someone new. It certainly wasn't a hard decision to re-elect Chief Dewhurst after all he accomplished over the last two years. This success is due to his great leadership as Chief. Over the last couple of years, Chief Dewhurst has accomplished several goals for the betterment of the department. Training has always been his main objective in running a highly skilled and professional department both in the firefighting and medical fields. He has also provided extensive training in leadership, so the newly elected officers are well equipped to lead their crews in any situation.

As an example of the many accomplishments Chief Dewhurst has contributed to the fire department is the Traffic 37 vehicle. Working traffic control at an accident scene is one of the most dangerous things a firefighter can do. To ensure the safety of the firefighters and the oncoming traffic, Chief Dewhurst was able to incorporate Traffic 37 as one of the first introduced in the region. This vehicle's purpose is to be used as a blockade during traffic control and to secure the accident scene. This vehicle is equipped with bright pink emergency signage, portable speed bumps, traffic wands, and bright illumination arrows. As always, if you see your first responders working an accident, please be patient and slow down.

The fiscal year for LVFD will end September 30. Once again, we will be having our Annual General Membership and Election of the LVFD Board of



Lillian Volunteer Fire Department

By Goretta Lysek

Directors. Some of the board member's current terms are expiring and up for renewal and vote.

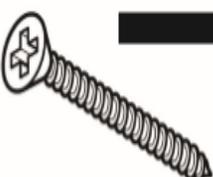
This meeting is open to all Lillian residents, and we would appreciate your attendance to vote in new board members. Currently, we are looking for possibly one or two new members to participate on the board. This is a great way to be involved in the community and give the board a new perspective in handling many of the decisions/objectives and to help provide a positive direction for the future of the department.

You do not need any previous experience just an open mind and a positive outlook.

The Annual meeting will take place at: 11331 Co. Rd. S on October 2 at 6:30 and the general meeting will follow at the usual time of 7 p.m.

Thank you to all who stopped by the Lillian Dollar General for our 'Fill the Fire truck' school supply drive! Your donations and dollars have once again shown this community's outpouring of support when called upon. Thank you for making this year's multi-fire department drive a success!

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## CHIT CHAT

The 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.

Happy birthday wishes go out to Bill Hayden, Robert Metts, Ed Fehn, Donna Rosen, Pat Colburn, Miriam DeHaan, Nancy Yuettner, Ken Brady, Elaine Fertig, Mickey Gugliotti,

Laverne Holtz, Louise Hawley, Aaron Brewer, Bo Burgenmeyer, Jill Caudill, Susie Harrison, Amie Gengerke, Pat Lutz, Joni Matthews, Bill Suttle, Joe Shankwitz, Connie Long, Tammy Koskie, Eugenia Robinson, Jaylene Brown, Bill Hall, Traci Price, Al Carpentier, Barbara Flynn, Mary Morris, Gloria Jackson, Janice Fuller, Ann Garner, Judy Roth and Helen Paschke.

Happy anniversary congratulations go out to Wayne and Christine Fritchie, Bob and Vicki Shankwitz, Bill and Carolyn Hayden 1958, Andy and Tina Kociban 1959, Cliff and Nancy Yuettner 1959, Jerry and Marcie Langford 1969, Frank and Nicole Fehn 1996, Stephanie and Chad Porter 2010

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.

The deadline for the October issue of The Lillian is September 20.

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Shepherd of the Bay (SOTB) Lutheran Church Food Pantry relies on the big-heartedness and compassion of individuals like you to continue our mission of feeding those in need. The Food Pantry is open the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

There are no income guidelines to receive food, but there is paperwork to be completed. We are also blessed to receive cash and food donations from community organizations and people in the area. All cash donations received go directly to purchase food from "Feeding the Gulf Coast" food bank in Mobile. Food purchased from the food bank is at a very reduced rate and includes USDA foods, frozen meat, fruits, juices, canned goods, and cereal items. The food pantry is strictly a volunteer organization, and they unload the truck, stock the shelves, and help dispense the food.

Your donations help to keep this community outreach program available to those in need. Our contact information is 251-962-7682, email [shepherdofthebay@gmail.com](mailto:shepherdofthebay@gmail.com) and mailing address is Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church, 12851 North Perdido Street, Lillian, AL 36549. Please designate donations for the SOTB Food Pantry.

We are an "Equal Opportunity Provider" and refuse no one.

Thank you to the wonderful Food Pantry Volunteers. (L to R: Arthur Schuck, Evelyn Schult, Dolores Price, Tandra Morrison, Martin Koslucher, Louise Berglund, Charlotte Bailey, & Julie Moore.



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- 6-7 AM 5K Run/Walk Registration
- 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  
Followed by 5K Runners/Walkers Party
- 8AM-2 PM Silent Auction, Déjà Vu Market & Bake Sale
- 8:30AM 1 Mile Mullet Fun Run
- 10 AM-12 PM Mullet Toss (Age Level Prizes given at 12:30 PM in Main Hall)
- 11 AM-1 PM LUNCH - \$12 (Kids 8 & younger eat free!)  
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