

The Jubilee Breeze

VOLUME 20 ■ JANUARY - MAY 2010

City of Daphne
PARKS

page 4-5

www.daphneal.com



Presenting the 4th Annual
Ballroom Dance
“Enchanted Masquerade”

Daphne Civic Center
2603 US Hwy 98
Daphne, AL 36523

Friday, May 7, 2010

Featuring the Debbie Bailes Band

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. - Dance begins at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets \$15 Per Person

Reserved Seating in Tables of 10 Only for \$150

Ice setups available - B.Y.O.B.

Attire: Dress Appropriate Required

Formal/Costume Appropriate Women

Tux/Black Suit/Costume Appropriate Men

Photographer on Site

NO TICKET EXCHANGES, REFUNDS, REPLACEMENTS OR TICKET RESALE ASSISTANCE

For more information visit our website at

www.daphneciviccenter.org or call 251-626-5300

A City of Daphne, Daphne Civic Center Production



CITY OF DAPHNE
Municipal Directory

Mayor

Fred Small, 621-9000

City Clerk

David Cohen, 621-9000

Finance Director

Kim Briley, 621-9000

Chief of Police

David Carpenter, 621-9100

Fire Chief

James White, 621-2836

Planning/Zoning Director

Adriene Jones, 621-3184

Public Works Director

William H. Eady, 621-3182

Human Resource Director

Vickie Hinman 621-3075

Library Director

Tonja Young, 621-2818

Recreation Director

David McKelroy, 621-3703

Civic Center/Bayfront Park

626-5300

Building Inspection/Official

Richard Merchant, 621-3080

Revenue Officer

Cornell Smith, 621-6613

Code Enforcement Officer

Lonnie Jones, 621-2824

Court Magistrate

Faye Howell, 621-2824

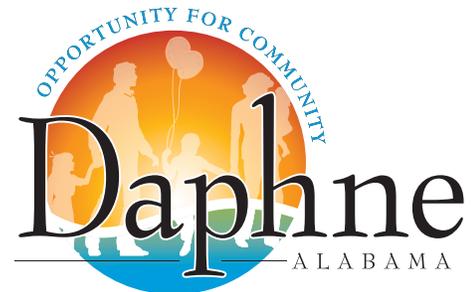
Animal Control Supervisor

Lt. Alaric Yelding, 621-2838

Daphne Utilities

626-2628

Letter from the Mayor



The Jubilee City



Happy New Year!

2009 has been a challenging year with respect to the economy. The City was challenged like never before with preparing a new budget just as I am sure you and your family looked at your own personal budget. I remain optimistic and still believe that we will recover in time and we will have all learned something during the process. Challenges always come with opportunities to do

things more efficiently and better. The City of Daphne, the employees and myself included, are committed to continue to bring you the best services we have to offer. You have heard me say before and I will say again this is by far the best area to live, work and play in the County and State.

The City of Daphne has so much to offer in the way of life – our education, our community programs, our churches, our climate, and our recreation. When looking for a place to raise a family, start a business or retire, folks continue to choose Daphne!

In these economic times we are all looking at ways to spend less but continue our quality of life for ourselves and our families. Let's focus in 2010 on all the things we are blessed to have here in our area and in the City of Daphne. I continue to hear folks that move to Daphne from other parts of the country praise us for all the things we offer young children, young adults, and seniors that are complimentary. This issue will highlight many of these opportunities such as the parks in Daphne – I challenge you if you haven't already to take advantage of our beautiful parks – visit them, play in them! Gator Alley, Village Point, May Day and Centennial are just to name a few. We also have an Adopt-A-Program in place so that individuals and groups can help keep these parks thriving.

Our library here in Daphne is a great place to visit, research, and get involved in free activities. Please look over the Library section of this issue to view the many, many opportunities that are available to you and your family – free! Our seniors in the area can participate in many activities offered at the Recreation Center either free or at a nominal charge within their budget. We will also again offer Art-in-the Park for our children – check out the calendar of events for each department and make plans!

My door is always open for your visit and my mind is always open to new ideas and suggestions you may have with regard to our fine City! I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

Fred Small
Mayor, City of Daphne



Coffee with the Mayor

Drop by City Hall at 8:30 a.m. on the last Thursday of every other month to hear about a topic of interest and share your thoughts and ideas with the Mayor over a cup of coffee. Below are the dates for 2010 – mark your calendar!

January 28 March 25 May 27

DAPHNE CITY GOVERNMENT



Bailey Yelding, Jr.
District 1
626-1627
yelding1@bellsouth.net



Cathy Barnette
Council President/Pro-Tem
District 2
626-0557
barnette2@bellsouth.net



John L. Lake
District 3
454-2513
johnlake3@bellsouth.net



Greg Burnam
District 4
626-0002
burnam4@bellsouth.net



Ron Scott
District 5
625-4150
ronscott5@bellsouth.net



Derek Boulware
District 6
545-7460
boulware6@bellsouth.net



August Palumbo
Council President
District 7
621-2083
palumbo7@bellsouth.net

CITY COUNCIL

As the legislative arm of the City of Daphne, the City Council forms policy and considers ordinances intended to improve the quality of living within the city. Since the last Council update published in the Jubilee Breeze, the following is a list of our major initiatives:

- Applied for and received a \$500,000 grant to help complete the sewer system of the city.
- Co-ordinated and hosted an historic Town Hall meeting of the three Eastern Shore cities with our Congressman and elected state and county officials at the Daphne Civic Center to discuss unified needs in transportation and infrastructure.

- Reconfigured the parking and landscaped the Bay Front Park area, along with renovation to the Richard Scardamalia Pavilion Building.
- Funded a \$1 million addition to the Daphne Library now under construction.
- Provided funding to install a fire sprinkler system in the Daphne Museum and to paint the building.
- Passed an ordinance that requires the city to undertake a minimum of a \$500,000 in annual resurfacing and road projects.
- Provided funding for the addition of two football fields and paved parking at the Trione Sports Complex.

- Received a grant from the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources/ Marine Resources Division for the construction of a boat ramp at May Day Park.
- Created a capital funding source for recreational needs through the redistribution of the Lodging Tax.
- Provided a funding source for future Downtown Redevelopment.

The City Council works with the Mayor, city department heads, civic associations, and private citizens, and strives to ensure that our tax dollars are spent wisely. The members of your City Council can be reached by phone at 621-9000 or by email as indicated.

Council photos by Jubilee Photography

CONTENTS

Winter Spring 2010



The Jubilee City

Co-Executive Editors

Jane Robbins
Tonja Young

Executive Board

Mayor Fred Small

Council President
August Palumbo

Council President Pro-Tem
Cathy Barnette

Art Director

Mitzi Brett

Editorial Assistants

Megan Matrone
Tonja Young
Cornell Smith

Contributing Editors

Dan Castrillo
Tracy Bishop
Mickey Boykin
Tracey Miller
Maria Nicholson
Denise D'Oliveira
Selena Vaughn
Tom Walker
Tomasina Werner
Tonja Young

FEATURES

- 1 Municipal Directory
- 1 Letter from Mayor Small
- 2 Council
- 4-5 City of Daphne Parks
- 6-7 Daphne Beautification Committee
- 10-11 SEEDS
- 20-21 Community Calendar
- 23 Crime Watch
- 24 Employee Wellness & Benefits Fair
- 25 Museum of Daphne
- 32 LF Homeschool
- 38-39 Murals Around Daphne
- BC Adopt a Park

EVENTS

- IFC Enchanted Masquerade Ball
- 8 Taste of the Eastern Shore
- 17 Community Line Dance
- 18 Baldwin Pops Spring Concert
- 22 BRAG
- 33 Easter Egg Hunt
- 37 Music Under the Stars
- 40 Art in the Park
- IBC Wet & Wild

DEPARTMENTS

- 9 Daphne Fire Department
- 12-15 Recreation Department
- 15 Daphne Rec. Dept. Fitness Center
- 16 Daphne Civic Center
- 19 Library Events
- 26-28 Daphne Animal Shelter
- 29 Daphne Public Works
- 30 Daphne Athletic Department
- 31 Daphne Senior Center
- 34-36 Daphne Public Library

4



9

33



37

Cover Photo: Charles McDevitt

City of Daphne Parks

The City of Daphne has many parks available for your family's enjoyment.

D'Olive Boardwalk Park, a.k.a. "Gator Alley," on North Main Street at D'Olive Bay on the Eastern Shore Trail, is the place to spot alligators, turtles and water fowl. Walk or bike the scenic path and enjoy a picnic. Parking is available on Main Street.



Al Trione Sports Complex, on Whispering Pines hosts thousands local and visiting competitors each year on its softball, baseball, soccer and football fields complete with concessions and restrooms. To host a tournament here call 251.621.3703 for rental information.

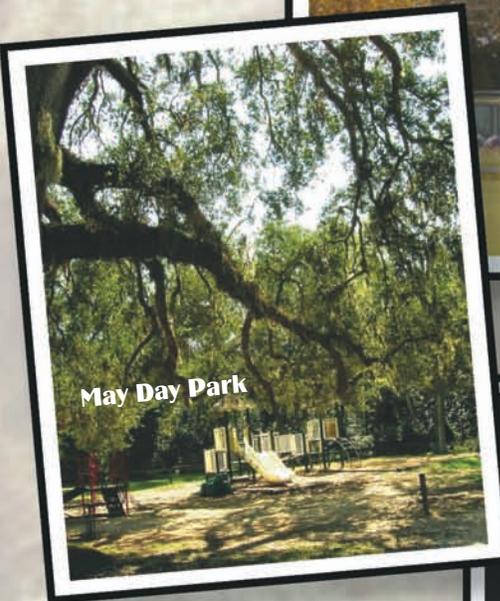
Boys and Girls Club on Johnson Road has public softball fields and basketball courts and is adjacent to Joe Louis Patrick Park with playground, picnic area and new restrooms.

Village Point Park on Main Street is a historic site and nature preserve with picnic pavilion, grills, restrooms, and natural winding paths to Champion Tree Trail, Jackson's Oak, D'Olive Family Cemetery, and sandy beach and pier on Mobile Bay.

Centennial Park, is a popular playground and picnic park with restrooms on Main Street across from Daphne City Hall.

W.O. Lott Park, on Main Street is a versatile park providing two tennis courts, a basketball court, a batting cage, four baseball fields with concessions and restrooms, two Bocce Courts and a playground.

Jubilee Courtyard on Main Street is surrounded by Olde Town Daphne eateries. Its benches, tables and a soothing fountain make for a great spot to watch the world go by.

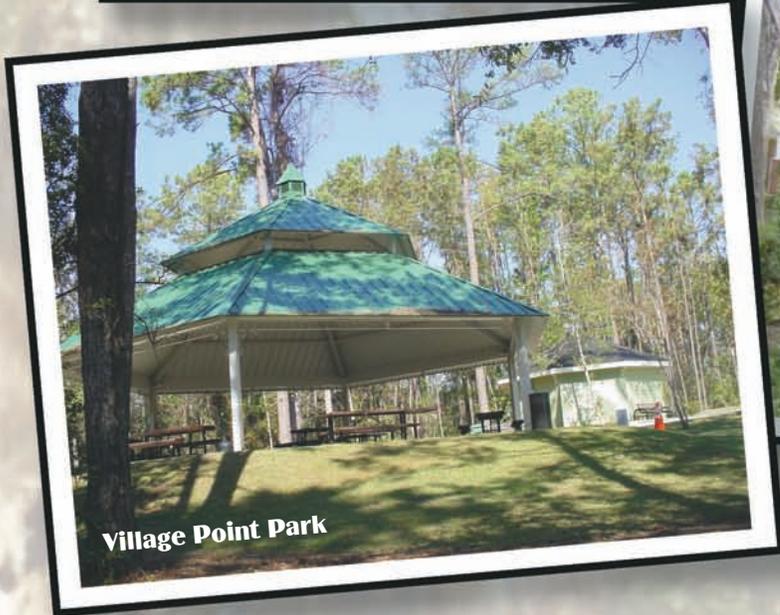




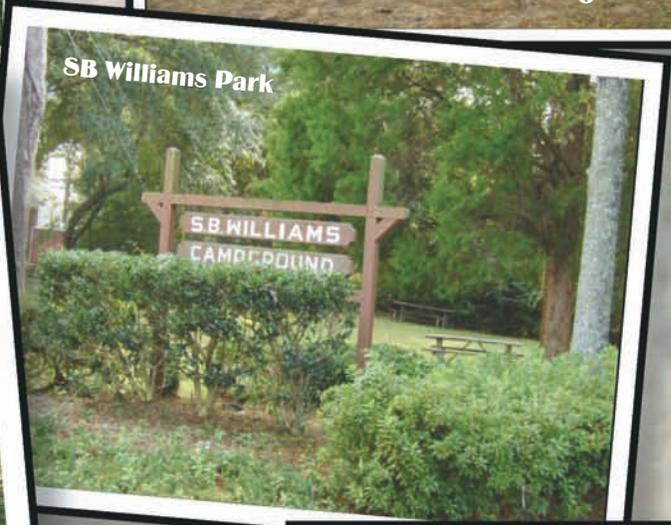
Belrose Park



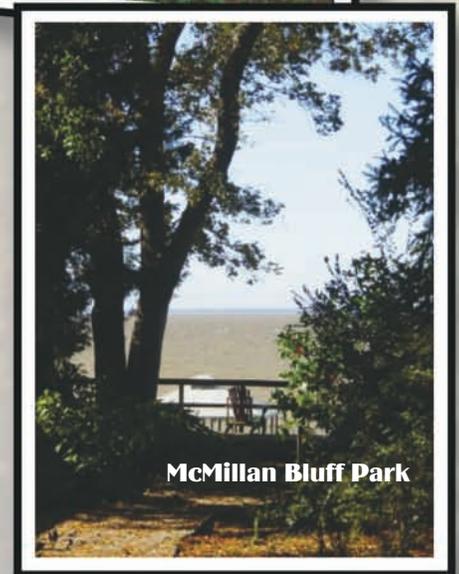
Dog Park



Village Point Park



SB Williams Park



McMillan Bluff Park

Dog Park at the Al Trione Sports Complex on Whispering Pines Road is the newest City of Daphne park and features separate fenced areas for large and small dogs.

May Day Park at College Avenue and Captain O'Neil was the location of the historical Daphne May Day celebrations of the early twentieth century. It remains as popular as ever providing sandy beach, pier, boat launch, playground, picnic tables and rest-rooms.

Bayfront Park at the end of Bayfront Drive offers bay views and access with a public pier, benches, swings and bayside boardwalk leading into Village Point Park and to Village Point Pier. Canoe and Kayak access is under construction. For special occasions and meetings The Scardamelia Pavillion is available for rent.

Belrose Park is at the end of Belrose Avenue at Mobile Bay with beachside picnic tables provided. Parking is limited on the street.

McMillan Bluff & Dryer

Avenue each dead end at Mobile Bay and afford walking access to Mobile Bay with overlooks and sandy beach but no parking or facilities are available.

S. B. Williams Park near Johnson Avenue and Warren Drive is a quiet picnic spot used by Boy Scouts for ceremonies and other scout activities.

Daphne Beautification Committee and The Public Works Are always on the move . . .

*Submitted by:
Tomasina Werner*



**Decisions!
Decisions!
Decisions!**



Top Photo: DBC's concrete Mama & 2 baby alligators

Bottom Photo: The Daphne/Spanish Fort Kiwanis Club sprucing up "Gator Alley"

DBC members have learned that, "Life is a collection of decisions and the key is in choosing the right ones." But which one is the right one when you have so many?

This group of enthusiastic, dedicated volunteers, continue making progress in all areas of on-going projects under the capable leadership of President, Dorothy Morrison.

Master Gardener, Selena Vaughn, never lets up on her vigilance of "vines & weeds," "trimming & weeding," landscaping and planting from the parks to I-10 on Hwy 98 and Main Street to Montrose. She has a long list for the group.

Members enjoy working at the "shed" with Margorie, our Public Works Liaison, in checking and replacing lights in the snowflakes and poinsettias Christmas decorations for Main Street. Our newest member, Pat Wilden, the City's new Volunteer Coordinator, always has an exciting list of things, from artists painting murals on the side of buildings in downtown Daphne to school children making ornaments for the City Hall lobby Christmas tree.

DBC is proud of "Gator Alley" with its half mile Nature Walk. It has a boardwalk that crosses D'Olive Creek, American alligators (Big Ones!), birds, fish, turtles, butterflies, waterfowl, snakes, native plants & trees, picnic tables and more, across the street from the Comfort Inn Hotel on N. Main Street. It is handicap accessible. We are excited and thankful to have our first volunteer civic organization, the "Daphne/Spanish Fort Kiwanis Club," to partner with DBC in helping keep the "Alley" clean. Hopefully, other organizations will contact us to help with one of the many other park areas.



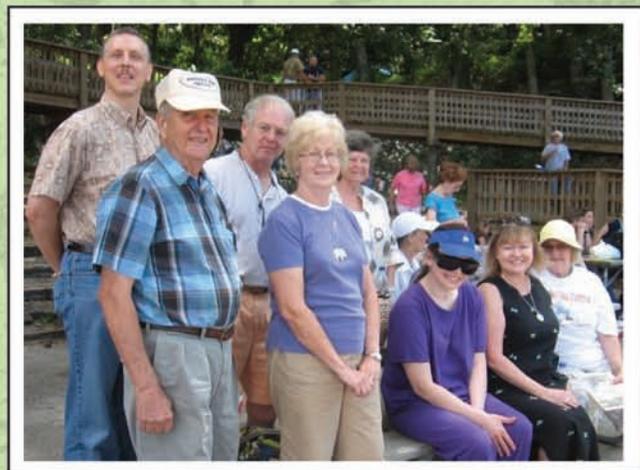
Top Photo: The Beautification Award for October-December went to Chris Myers Auto Mall on U.S. 98.

Middle Photo: Mayor Fred Small places ornaments on the tree at City Hall made by local 6th grade students in Daphne.

Bottom Photo: The Beautification Award for July-September went to Bank Trust on U.S. 98.

The Beautification Awards committee selects a business quarterly to recognize, and honor, for the special effort they make in their landscaping to improve the aesthetics of the city. They are presented a framed Certificate of Appreciation and Daphne Beautification Award signs are placed on their property. The July-September award went to Bank Trust located at 2507 U.S. 98. The October-December award went to Chris Myers Auto Mall located on U.S. 98 across from Wal-Mart.

Please notice the beautiful new Crepe Myrtles lining the medians of U.S. 98 and the new additions to Centennial Park across from the City Hall. Groups like the "Baldwin County Traumatic Brain Injury and Spinal Cord Injury" (TBI/SCI) support group enjoy bag lunches and music at May Day Park under the beautiful old oaks overlooking the Mobile Bay. DBC welcomes visitors or new members to their monthly meetings the first Friday of the month at 9 a.m. at the City Hall. It's a great place to find out what's going on in Beautiful Daphne.



TBI/SCI support group enjoying bag lunches & music at May Day Park



Save the Date



**10th Annual
Taste of the Eastern Shore
Friday, August 13, 2010**



**All Proceeds to Benefit
Daphne High School**



A Daphne Civic Center/City of Daphne Production





Fire Prevention Poster Winners

The Daphne Fire Department and the Daphne Optimist Club sponsored a fire prevention poster contest. This year's theme was "Be Fire Smart, Don't Burn". The 5th and 6th grade students at W. J. Carroll Intermediate School submitted posters to the art teacher, Ms. Felicia Olds. Members of the Optimist Club judged the entries and picked the top four. The winner of the contest was Jackson Carmichael. For his first place prize he received a ride from his house to school in the Daphne Fire Department Ladder Truck. The second place winner was Gloria Harris. The third place winner was Lance Donnelly. Honorable Mention went to Cameron Davis. All four winners received a prize furnished by Chick-Fil-A.

CPR Classes Offered

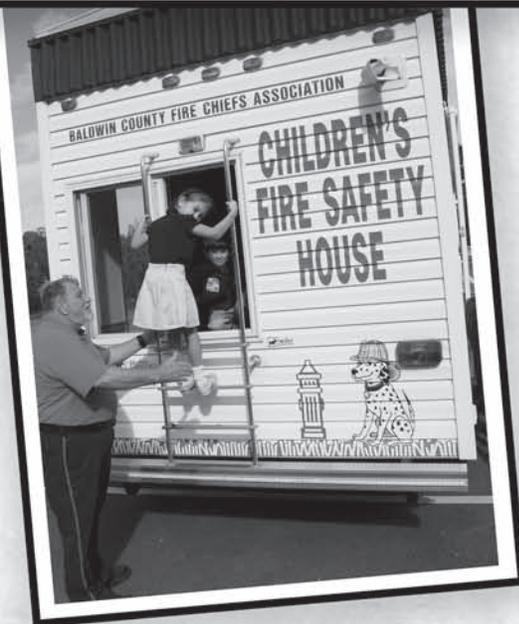
Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) is a simple skill that is easily learned in a one session class. The class is sponsored by the Daphne Fire Department in accordance with the new American Heart Association Standards. In CPR, mouth-to-mouth breathing and rhythmic chest compressions are used to supply oxygen to the brain and other vital organs of a person whose heart has stopped pumping. This can buy the precious time needed till help can arrive. Certification requires a written test upon completion of the class. Instruction is free for CPR; the AHA basic card costs \$3.00 and the healthcare provider card costs \$6.00. Classes are offered once a month at the fire department. For a schedule of the classes contact Fire Station 2 at 621-2836.



Child Car Seats Inspected

All Daphne Fire Department personnel completed an Alabama Fire College Car Seat Inspector course. An improper installation of a car seat can cause serious injuries to small children and infants in the event of an automobile accident. Any person who would like to have their car seat inspected is welcome to come by any Daphne Fire Station. Usually it only takes a few minutes and will ensure that the seat is installed according to safety guidelines.

This year's fire prevention poster contest theme was "Be Fire Smart, Don't Burn".



Many thanks to the organizations and individuals who have invested in SEEDS as Major Donors for the 2009-'10 school year:

Classroom Grant Sponsors (\$5000+)

Dr. Glenn Glass, Baldwin County Orthodontic Specialists (Mamma Mia Cook-off Title Sponsor); Baldwin County Commission; Better Life Foundation; Daniel Foundation of Alabama; State Representative Randy Davis; State Senator Marc Keahey; State Senator Trip Pittman.

Benefactor (\$2500+)

Bryant Bank; Lad Drago State Farm Insurance; Pat and Shannon James; Merrill Lynch, D'Oliveira-Frick Group; Terry Thompson Chevrolet.

Patron (\$1,000+)

American Computer Enterprises; Better Life Foundation; Compound Care Pharmacy; Daphne Pediatric Dentistry; Daphne-Spanish Fort Kiwanis; Daphne-Spanish Fort Rotary; Eastern Shore Kiwanis; Eastern Shore Sertoma; Encore Azalea and the Southern Living Plant Collection; Hutchinson, Moore and Rauch Engineering; Mr. and Mrs. Forrest (Fob) James; Jr; Pat and Shannon James;

Finding Common Ground through SEEDS

SEEDS, Daphne's education foundation, has been busy over the past few months giving citizens and students new opportunities to become acquainted and to share their ideas.

The current funding crisis has reminded a number of local companies and residents that great schools make great communities and, consequently, they have signed on as new partners in the work of the foundation.

Though SEEDS is best known for raising money and expanding learning opportunities, our volunteers and donors are equally committed to encouraging school improvements and building a greater sense of community around education.

There is a place for every Daphne citizen in fulfilling this mission. We welcome new Friends of SEEDS in any way they care to be involved. For more information about what we do and how you can help, visit www.seedsindaphne.org or call 251-656-7333.

Check out some of our recent community-building events --



-- Photo by Margaret Hale, M. D. Hale Designs.)

Daphne High School's Trojan Hall has been the site of two important visioning meetings since August. A Back-to-School Breakfast for Community Leaders was held for elected officials and parent leaders to discuss key issues for the new school year. In October the second annual SEEDS Summit gave Daphne teachers and citizens a chance to ask questions of school board members, county commissioners and local legislators regarding the funding crisis.



Daphne Writes! is a new community learning project that invites writers of every age to reflect on common themes and shared concerns. Visit seedsindaphne.wordpress.com to express your ideas and send a message to our students that writing matters throughout our lives. Here is the topic for January:

When we think about our community of Daphne, what do we all have in common?



The 2009 Mamma Mia Cook-off, the fifth annual celebration of Daphne's Italian heritage, was held in November on the grounds of City Hall. The event brought together over 700 food lovers and friends of education who enjoyed tasty creations from 30 different cooking teams. Proceeds benefit SEEDS' Classroom Grant Program that supports instructional improvements and innovation in the five Daphne public schools and at Christ the King Catholic School.



Courtesy of Courtland Richards Photography



SEEDS is now working with six other local education foundations to lead neighborhood conversations on the future of the Baldwin County schools. Foundation leaders from every corner of the school district recently met here for the first time as an independent coalition.

Patron (\$1,000+) Continued

Lori and Jud Menefee;
Miller's Grand Events;
Power Productions;
Kirby and Stephanie Sternfels; Vulcan Materials, Inc.

Advocate (\$500+)

Allstate Insurance/Craig Smith, Buffalo-Rock Pepsi, Chiropractic Life Center, Chuck's Wine Cellar, Joe Cleveland Architects, Cornerstone Investment and Consulting, Eastern Shore Medical Specialists, Eastern Shore Urgent Care, Brian and Sara Federico, Gasket Guy, Ashley and Mark Hammond, Earl Hollingshead, Will Hughes Catering and Market, Huntington Learning Center, Mediacom, RBC Bank, Riviera Utilities, Ruth and Robert Seawell, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Thomas Hospital.

Keep SEEDS growing!

Become a Friend of SEEDS with a minimum \$20 tax-deductible contribution at

www.seedsindaphne.org.

Display our annual membership decal proudly on your car or business window!



Daphne Recreation Department

Arts & Crafts

Quilting

Eastern Shore Bee

Day: 4th Thursday of the month

Time: 9:30-10:30 am

Location: Recreation Dept., Art Room

This is an opportunity to socialize, and share quilting ideas and projects.

Fitness

Wellness 101

"Biggest Loser" Weight Loss Challenge

WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE – WE CHALLENGE YOU TO BECOME ONE OF "THE BIGGEST LOSERS" OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

Let's join together to reverse this obesity trend.

- 12 week program
- \$29 for 12 weeks
- Personalized coaching & nutritional information
- Weekly weigh-ins required
- Prizes awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd places

Debbie Gamble, 251-621-8042,
debbiegamble@bellsouth.net,
www.debsnutritionmall.com

Daphne Recreation Department, Art Studio, Monday's at 5:30pm

Pilates

Pilates ("pil-ah-tees") is designed to strengthen the body through an intense focus on the body's core (trunk) and its stabilizing muscles. A tried and true workout, Pilates will encourage a strong, aligned and stress reduced body. This is a progressive mat-based program - participants start out in introductory levels and progress to higher levels. Each class meets 1/week for 55 min. 6 week sessions. Fee: \$60.

Call or email for class schedule.

Pilates classes offered include: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, and Fitness (magic) Circle. To register for a class or for additional class times, call Instructor Kami Whiteis 626-2697 or e-mail info@phy-sique.com



Yoga

Mind-body workouts build strength, promote flexibility and improve mental focus resulting in an overall release of tension. Taught at a moderate pace Hatha yoga is for all fitness levels. More dynamic and demanding, Power yoga is for a stronger more experienced student. Class meets for 55 minutes. 6 week sessions. Fee: \$60. Call or email for class schedule.

Parent-Child YOGA - This class is a great way for all ages to exercise together in a relaxed environment. Parents and kids will enjoy the individual and partner poses that encourage flexibility, strength, balance and relaxation. Adults are encouraged to attend with young people 9-14. 50-55 min. class. Class meets for 45 minutes. 6 week sessions. Fee: \$60 (includes parent and child). Call or email for class schedule.

To register for a class or for additional class times, call Instructor Kami Whiteis 626-2697 or e-mail info@phy-sique.com

KAMI WHITEIS, CFT - A Certified Personal Trainer and Pilates and Yoga instructor, Kami has 10+ years experience as a coach and instructor. Trained in the contemporary mat method, she has worked with one of the largest Pilates

programs in the country. Kami's dedication to Mind-Body fitness led her first to Hatha yoga for relaxation and focus and then to Power yoga for a more dynamic and athletic challenge. More information can be found at www.phy-sique.com.

Hard Body Exercise

Days: Monday & Wednesday

Time: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Location: Recreation Department

Cost: \$20 per month

Contact: Marilyn Wimpee (251) 988-8089

Hard Body Exercise is a full body workout, which includes step, weights, ball and floor exercises plus lots of fun and laughter. To register or for more information, call Marilyn Wimpee at (251) 988-8089.

Home School Physical Education

September-December, January-May

Home School Physical Education is a class designed to introduce kids to a variety of sports and athletic activities. This class is great for everyone – no previous sports experience necessary. Home School P.E., for boys and girls ages 8-13, meets at Lott Park. Each class meets 2/week for 60 min. Fee: \$105/semester. Call for family discounts. Call or email for class schedule. To register for Home School P.E. call Instructor Dave Whiteis 626-2697 or e-mail info@phy-sique.com.

DAVE WHITEIS, MSS, CPT - With over 12 years of experience in the fitness field and a Master of Sport Science from the United States Sports Academy, Dave is one of the premier Trainers in southern Alabama. Dave is a Certified Personal Trainer and a former collegiate Track & Field Coach. As a stand out athlete in college, Dave was an 8-time NCAA All-American, an individual National Champion and captained his team to 2 NCAA National Team Titles. More information can be found at www.phy-sique.com

Martial Arts



The instructor, Leon Sill, is a 7th degree black belt with over 45 years of teaching and competition experience and is the ISKF Southern Region Co-Director and Chief Instructor. He is a graduate of the ISKF Instructor Training Institute, is ranked as an international instructor, examiner, and judge, and is a former Shotokan consultant on the U.S.A. National Karate Federation technical committee, the organization currently tasked with the addition of karate as an Olympic sport. His martial arts background includes several ISKF national individual and team championships, an Armed Forces Karate Association championship, a 1st place finish in the American Continental Championships in Mexico City,

and two top-10 finishes in the World Karate Championships in Tokyo, Japan. He is taking over the reins as chief instructor of the club from Sensei Darlene Collins and thanks her for her untiring work in reorganizing the club for the last four years and for establishing the children's classes, as they are the future of karate.

Shotokan Karate is a great way for you to learn self defense while getting in shape. It has been proven that a person's discipline and self-confidence increases with the practice of the martial arts. Classes are held at the Daphne Recreation Center. We offer classes for children and adult beginners, as well as intermediate and advanced classes. Classes are divided by age group but still allow parents to participate with their kids. We have several parents learning karate with their children. It is a valuable activity whether you are interested in sport competition, discipline and concentration, or just good exercise. The club is a direct descendant of the original school established by karate's founder, Gichin Funakoshi, whose aim in karate was the development of character.

You are welcome to watch or participate in a class at no charge. We encourage you to come and see if our school will help meet your personal goals. We look forward to seeing you in class.

ISKF South Shotokan Karate

ISKF South Shotokan Karate is a family oriented training center that welcomes men, women, and children to train in a safe and encouraging environment. It is the Southern Region Headquarters of the INTERNATIONAL SHOTOKAN KARATE FEDERATION (ISKF), one of the largest Shotokan karate organizations in the world, with a membership of 40 countries. The club is continuing the program which is in its eleventh year at the Daphne Recreation Center. The year 2009 was an exciting time which saw students competing and placing in a tournament in New Orleans, LA, sponsored by the Louisiana Traditional Karate League, and the affiliation of the club with ISKF. The coming year will see interested students preparing for

competition in the ISKF Regional and National Championships and for attendance at ISKF Master Camp in Greenlane, Pennsylvania, outside Philadelphia.

Shotokan Karate (Ages 8 & up)

Days: Tuesday and Thursday

Time: 6:00-7:00

Location: Daphne Recreation Department
 Cost: Registration Fee \$45.00, includes a free uniform and membership in the International Shotokan Karate Federation; \$65.00 per month

Students begin by practicing kihon (the basics), Kata (prearranged movements) and beginner's kumite (sparring). Through this training, the students self discipline, focus, and self-esteem gradually increase. Students are given a

goal and are able to achieve that goal by following the direction of the Sensei (teacher). Through this art the student learns defensive and counter attack measures using blocking, striking and kicking techniques. Students who desire to compete in tournaments are also trained to compete at both local and National tournaments.

For more information or to register, contact Leon Sill at 251-626-5943 or e-mail leon_sill@yahoo.com

Shotokan Karate (Intermediate/Advanced)

Days: Tuesday & Thursday

Time: 7-8 p.m.

Location: Daphne Recreation Department
 Cost: Registration Fee \$45.00, includes a free uniform and membership in the International Shotokan Karate Federation; \$65 per month

This class is for intermediate/advanced students over the age of 10. At this stage, students will begin to increase their strength, speed, and technical skills. We continue kihon, kata, and kumite, and the student begins to understand the true spirit of the martial arts. Self defense is introduced at this stage. Students must be invited to participate in this class. Students who desire to be trained to compete in both local and national tournaments. Anyone who has trained in another style or is transferring from another Dojo is welcome to be evaluated for this class.

For more information or to register, contact Leon Sill at 251-626-5943 or e-mail leon_sill@yahoo.com



WINTER/SPRING COURSES 2010

Dance

Discover Dance

Instructor: Darra Riley
Contact: Darra at (251) 929-7829 or (251) 554-6486 or discover-dance@hotmail.com
Website:
www.discoverdancecompany.com
Ages: 3 years old - teens



Discover Dance Company provides affordable, quality lessons in Ballet, Jazz, and Tap at the Daphne Recreation Department. Dancers will have the opportunity to perform in a formal recital and showcase his or her talents in local parades and festivals. Students not only learn technique and coordination, they also practice counting, listening, and developing good social skills. Discover Dance classes are fun-filled lessons promoting self-confidence and individual talent!

Please call for class scheduling and registration fees. Most classes are held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and are divided up in age groups.

Tribal Style Belly Dance

Day: Tuesday
Time: Beginner Class 7-8 p.m.
Intermediate Class 8-9 p.m.
(Permission Required from Instructor)
Location: Recreation Department
Contact: Rita Brown (251) 443-9619 or e-mail dancingheartrita@hotmail.com

Take this exciting, unique opportunity to stay in shape while having fun celebrating

the spirit, strength and beauty of women. This gypsy-fusion style dance is improvisational and influenced by Flamenco, Indian Kathak, Middle Eastern and American Modern dance. Belly dance provides a low impact aerobic workout while strengthening and toning your body and developing grace. This class has no age limit and is for students who desire to learn basic belly dance techniques. This is beginning level, therefore no prior dance experience required. No matter your body shape, level of fitness or age, you can learn the basics! After the intermediate level, students can train to be a part of the Gypsy Chicks, an Eastern Shore professional troop. To register today contact Rita Brown at (251) 443-9619 or e-mail at dancingheartrita@hotmail.com.

Belly Dance

by Zuri Dance Company

Belly Dance by Zuri Dance Company

Tone up your body, gain more flexibility, and have fun as you learn the basics of belly dance in a warm, accepting environment. No prior dance experience required. For all ages.
Contact: Cheryl Pierce
Number: 402-2755
Email: zivadivawithzuri@yahoo.com
website: www.zuridance.org
Daphne Recreation Center
Call for class schedule.

Spanish Twirlers Square Dance Club

Day: Monday
Time: 7-9 p.m.
Location: Recreation Department
Cost: \$30 donation per couple per month
Contact: Richard Gregorius, 928-9694 or greg6137@bellsouth.net

The Spanish Twirlers Square Dance Club dances modern western square dancing at the Mainstream and Sof Plus level with an occasional line dance. Our members consists of approximately 20 couples from most age groups. Each year the club sponsors a teaching program to permit new dancers to join the activity and welcomes guests from other clubs and areas.

Massage

ProTouch Massage Therapy

Day: Thursdays
Time: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm
Location, Recreation Department, Rm 305
Cost: \$1 per minute
Contact: Stephanie Murray 251.604.3186
Stephanie Murray specializes in Deep Tissue, Sports Massage, Swedish Massage, Neuromuscular Therapy and Pregnancy Massage. Both table and chair massages are available. To make an appointment today or for additional times, contact Stephanie.

ProTouch Therapy

Need to relax or work out those aches and pains?

Try Massage Therapy

Specializing in:

Swedish Massage • Neuromuscular Therapy •
Deep Tissue • Sports Massage • Pregnancy Massage

Located at the Daphne
Recreation Center

Stephanie Murray

LMT #1749

251-604-3186

WINTER/SPRING COURSES 2010

Modeling

Modeling

A professional learning session for both male and female students, 12-18 years old. In the professional modeling course, you will learn the following disciplines:

- Personality development
- Visual poise and modeling
- Runway or informal modeling
- Hair care and styling
- Personal grooming and body care
- Impact of physical fitness
- Wardrobe coordination
- Voice projection
- Photo posing techniques

Contact: Paula Perri: 251.625.3137 or 228.229.6192 for scheduling and fees

Protocol

A Social Etiquette & Table Manners Course

A learning session for both male and female students, 6-16 years old. Course will provide both group and individual training in basic social etiquette with emphasis on:

- Proper introductions
- Dinner conversation topics, and mealtime courtesies.
- Table setting, and proper use of silverware
- Making a toast
- Dating etiquette
- Skin care and make-up for female teens
- Posture for standing and sitting
- Stage presentation, and interviewing techniques

Contact: Paula Perri: 251.625.3137 or 228.229.6192 for scheduling and fees

Tennis

Townshend Tennis Summer Camps

Instructor: Brad Townshend, USPTA Certified

Contact: 251.753.8601 or townshendtennis@yahoo.com

Classes meet at Lott Park in Daphne

Kids Beginner Clinic

4-8 years of age:

Mondays 9 am – 11 am

9-13 years of age:

Wednesdays 9 am – 11 am

Other: Thursday 4 pm – 6 pm

Group and Private Lessons Available

1 person - \$40/hour

2-4 people - \$45/hour

5 or more - \$50/hour



Fitness Center

HOURS:

Monday - Thursday, 5:30am – 8:00 pm

Friday, 5:30 am – 6:00 pm

Saturday, 7:00 am – 12:00 pm

Sunday, closed

Closed on all national holidays.

Fees:	Monthly	Quarterly	Yearly
Individual	\$15.00	\$45.00	\$170.00
Family	\$20.00	\$60.00	\$230.00
Senior Individual	\$10.00	\$30.00	\$115.00
Senior Family	\$12.00	\$36.00	\$134.00

Daily - \$2.00

Look Whose Dancing at the Daphne Civic Center



Please join us at the Daphne Civic Center on Wednesday nights for an evening of fun and exercise. Civic Center Community Dance Instructor, Kenneth Nobles, will teach you all the latest line dances and throw in a ton of fun in the process! You don't want to miss out on this City of Daphne sponsored event, so grab a spouse, a friend, or just yourself, and come on out to the Daphne Civic Center, Wednesdays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

*2010 Tentative Schedule

January 6, 13
February 24
March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31
April 7, 14, 21, & 28
May 5, 12, 19, & 26

*Subject to change without notice or cancellation



Derek Boulware
City Councilman
District 6
Daphne, AL

"What has been accomplished?"

With my first year over as a first time elected official and Daphne City Councilman, I want to take this moment to look back and take stock of what we as a Council and Mayor have tried to accomplish for you our fellow citizens and city.

To begin, I am extremely proud that this Council successfully passed the first of its kind "high priority road revitalization plan" for the City of Daphne. The Council approved road plan is our city's first true and measurable attempt at properly addressing the declining condition of Daphne's streets. Secondly, and I believe even more importantly, the council followed the approval of a road plan by passing a city ordinance or city law mandating that a minimum of \$500,000.00 per year would be included in each year's budget for the sole purpose of funding this road plan. It was this action which gave our desire to fix the city's road problem "Teeth" by making sure it was not only talk but there would be guaranteed funds in our budget each and every year to see the Road Project addressed. Thirdly, the city governments of Daphne, Spanish Fort and Fairhope hosted another first of its kind joint Town Hall meeting in Daphne, designed to showcase for our citizens as well as our County, State and Federal officials what we call "The Spirit of Cooperation". It was a symbolic jester by our three Eastern Shore cities to express our intention as elected officials in city government to work together for the benefit of the citizens and our cities and to pursue mutually beneficial projects. It has been an outstanding year for the City of Daphne and one I am extremely proud to have had the honor of serving in as your Councilman.

I truly believe that our Daphne city employees, elected officials and staff are the finest people I have ever had the pleasure of knowing and working with. And during this past year in public office, I've learned that while in the Service of Others, you get out of the experience only what you're willing to put into it. I've heard it said "everyone should serve a public office at least once." I believe this is true, but only if you're willing to commit yourself to the responsibility and conduct yourself with pride and always with dedication first to the citizens you serve. After the election was over last year and I had won my seat on the Council I was given some good advice by a long time friend and neighbor and I've done my best to follow his advice. He said "If you'll remember to always vote your conscience and most importantly be your own man, you'll be alright".

Thank you for this opportunity, as it is an honor for me to serve each and every one of you.

LINE DANCE

YOUR WAY TO BETTER HEALTH!

LATEST LINE DANCE LESSONS
EVERY WEDNESDAY

DAPHNE CIVIC CENTER

6:00 pm. – 8:00 p.m.

ALL AGES WELCOME!

ADMISSION
IS FREE!

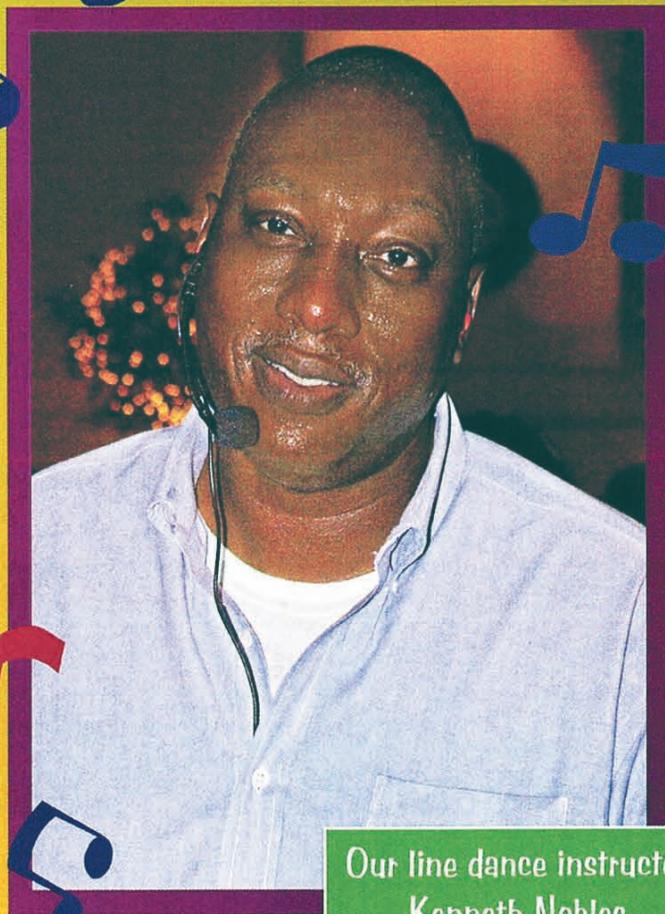
DAPHNE CIVIC CENTER
PRODUCTION

251.626.5300

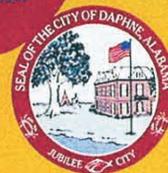
www.daphneciviccenter.org

Visit our website for event photos
For sponsorship opportunities
contact the Daphne Civic Center
at 251-626-5300.

*Line dance lessons are subject to change
without notification*



Our line dance instructor
Kenneth Nobles



*The Daphne Civic Center
presents*

A Spring Concert

featuring

The Baldwin Pops

Tuesday, April 27, 2010

Free Admission

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

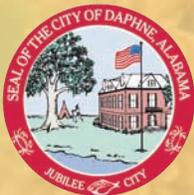
Concert begins at 7:00 p.m.

For more information, contact the

Daphne Civic Center at

251.626.5300 or visit

www.daphneciviccenter.org



A City of Daphne - Daphne Civic Center Production

LIBRARY EVENTS

Special Events

January 4

Kick-Off for
Spring into Reading
Poetry Contest
(deadline February 26)



The Big Read
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer

(This is a statewide program where everyone reads same book.)

Week of March 7

Storytimes

March 17

Jubilee Book Club
10 a.m.

March 20

Spring Into Reading
Festival

March 29

Outreach Book Club
at Catherine Place
10:30 a.m.

April 13

Teens Celebrate Poetry
month-
Outreach to The
Gardens of Daphne

June 7

Summer Reading
Program
Kick-Off
10 a.m. - 12 noon

Adults

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

6:30 p.m.
Second Thursday
of the Month

JUBILEE BOOK CLUB

10:00 a.m.
Third Wednesday
of the Month

Teens

Teen Advisory Board

3:45 - 4:45 p.m.
Second Tuesday
of the Month



LAP BABIES

Tuesdays at
10:30 a.m.

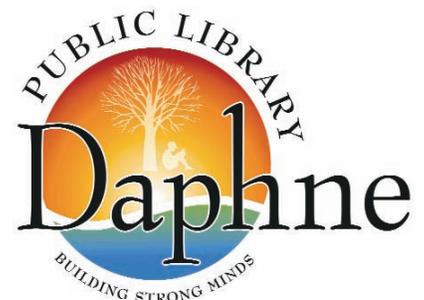
PRESCHOOL

Wednesdays at
2:00 p.m.

Thursdays at
10:30 a.m.

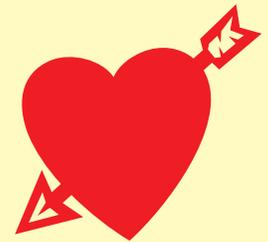
AFTERSCHOOL

Thursdays
3:45 - 4:45 p.m.



January

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
1		New Year's Day – City Offices Closed	
4	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting	City Hall
5	10:00 AM	Senior Meeting	Rec Center
6	10:00 AM	Senior Travelers Meeting	Rec. Center
8	9:15 AM	Movie Friday	Rec. Center
11	6:30 PM	City Council Work Session	City Hall
13		Community Dance	Civic Center
16	10:00 AM	Dixie Boys Baseball & Girls Softball Registration	Rec. Center
18		Martin Luther King Holiday – City Offices Closed	
19	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting	City Hall
20	2:00 PM	Senior Birthday Party	Rec Center
21	Noon	Senior Luncheon & Bingo	Rec Center
23	10:00 AM	Dixie Boys Baseball & Girls Softball Registration	Rec. Center
28	8:30 AM	Coffee with the Mayor	City Hall
30	10:00 AM	Dixie Boys Baseball & Girls Softball Registration	Rec. Center
31		Movie Monday	Rec. Center



February

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
1	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting	City Hall
2	10:00 AM	Senior Meeting	Rec. Center
3	10:00 AM	Senior Travelers Meeting	Rec. Center
5	10:00 AM	Book Club	Rec. Center
6	10:00 AM	Senior Travelers Meeting	Rec. Center
8	6:30 PM	City Council Work Session	City Hall
12	9:15 AM	Movie Friday	Rec. Center
16		Mardi Gras Holiday – City Offices Closed	
17	2:00 PM	Senior Birthday Party	Rec. Center
18	Noon	Senior Luncheon & Bingo	Rec. Center
22	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting	City Hall
27		Arbor Day Celebration	Village Point Park
28		Movie Monday	Rec. Center

March

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
1	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting	City Hall
2	10:00 AM	Senior Meeting	Rec. Center
3	10:00 AM	Senior Travelers Meeting	Rec. Center
4-7		Baldwin County Home Builders	Civic Center
5	10:00 AM	Book Club	Rec. Center
8	6:30 PM	City Council Work Session	City Hall
12	9:15 AM	Movie Friday	Rec. Center
15	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting	City Hall
17	2:00 PM	Senior Birthday Party	Rec. Center
18	Noon	Senior Luncheon & Bingo	Rec. Center
20	11:00 AM	Spring Into Reading Festival	Library
25	8:30 AM	Coffee with the Mayor	City Hall
27	Noon	Easter Egg Hunt	Lott Park
28		Movie Monday	Rec. Center



CALENDER

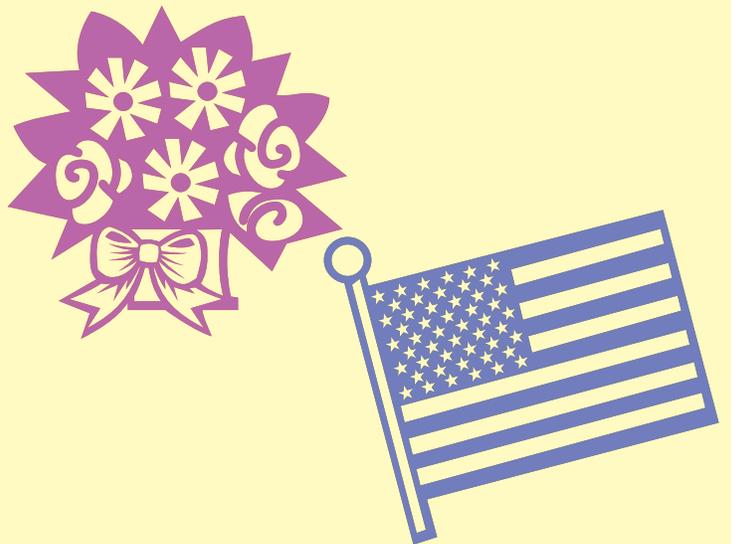
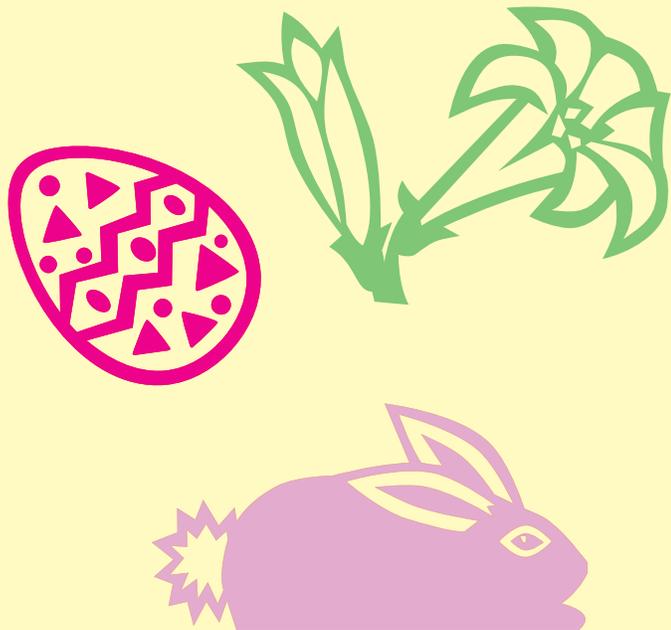
MAY 2010

April

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
1	11:20 AM	Brown Bag by the Bay	May Day Park
2	10:00 AM	Book Club	Rec. Center
5	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting	City Hall
6	10:00 AM	Senior Meeting	Rec. Center
7	10:00 AM	Senior Travelers Meeting	Rec. Center
8	11:30 AM	Brown Bag by the Bay	May Day Park
9	9:15 AM	Movie Friday	Rec. Center
9-10		Mobile Bottle Collectors	Civic Center

11-17 National Telecommunicator's Week

12	6:30 PM	City Council Work Session	City Hall
15	11:30 AM	Brown Bag by the Bay	May Day Park
15	Noon	Senior Luncheon & Bingo	Rec. Center
19	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting	City Hall
22	11:30 AM	Brown Bag by the Bay	May Day Park
24-25		Music Under the Stars	City Hall
25		Movie Monday	Rec. Center
27		Baldwin Pops	Civic Center
29	11:30 AM	Brown Bag by the Bay	May Day Park



May

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
2-8 National Correction Officer Week			
3	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting	City Hall
4	10:00 AM	Senior Meeting	Rec. Center
5	10:00 AM	Senior Travelers Meeting	Rec. Center
6	11:30 AM	Brown Bag by the Bay	May Day Park
7	10:00 AM	Book Club	Rec. Center
7		Masquerade Ballroom Dance	Civic Center

9-15 National Police Week

10	6:30 PM	City Council Work Session	City Hall
13	11:30 AM	Brown Bag by the Bay	May Day Park
14	9:15 AM	Movie Fridays	Rec. Center
17	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting	City Hall
19	2:00 PM	Senior Birthday Party	Rec. Center
20	11:30 AM	Brown Bag by the Bay	May Day Park
20	Noon	Senior Luncheon & Bingo	Rec. Center
27	8:30 AM	Coffee with the Mayor	City Hall
27	10:00 AM	Art in the Park	Lott Park
27	11:30 AM	Brown Bag by the Bay	May Day Park
31	10:00 AM	Summer Reading Kick-Off	Library

31 Memorial Day Holiday – City Offices Closed

Bay Rivers Art Guild

Twelfth Annual

Juried Art Show 2010

January 16th to March 10th, 2010

Eligibility: Open to All Artists, 18 years and up.

Entries Received: January 7, 10 AM to 4 PM
January 8, 10 AM to 5 PM
January 9, 10 AM to 2 PM

Fees: \$15 for the First Entry -
\$10 Each Additional
Three (3) entries Maximum.
Fees are Non-refundable.

Awards: Best of Show, \$1000
The Roberts Sisters' Memorial, \$500
The BRAG Founders' Award, \$500
Five Merit Awards, \$100 Each
Five Honorable Mentions

January 16, 2010 Awards Ceremony & Reception,
Open To The Public,
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM, at the Guild.

Second Saturday Series

Want to learn something new without a lot of expense?
Each class is a hands-on experience for beginners with instructors adept at teaching the basics. BRAG will provide all the supplies for just a \$30 fee, 9 AM to Noon.
Call BRAG at 621-0659 by the Wednesday prior to the class to register.

January 9th	Art Fix It Clinic with Barbara Thomas
February 13th	Mardi Gras
March 13th	Use a Grid to Draw with Valley O'Neal
April 10th	Bunnies!! With Carolyn Newcomer
May 8th	Found Object Art with Provie Musso



The Baldwin County Sheriff's Office Crime-Watch Program

The Baldwin County Sheriff's Office Crime-Watch Program is a cooperative program between Baldwin County Citizens and the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office to address criminal activity.

Baldwin County Sheriff's Office will provide information, training, and assistance through the Crime Watch Program. The program will combine training, as well as, input from the citizens of Baldwin County regarding criminal activity.

The program began its initial development in 2008 from several area farmers and concerned citizens following a string of copper thefts from irrigation equipment. In the past, the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office has partnered with such programs as Crime Stoppers and other media generated crime information programs. After several meetings, it was determined it was time for the Sheriff's Office to have its own stand-alone partnership with the citizens of Baldwin County to combat criminal activity.

Citizens can be trained to detect various types of criminal activity in their community and report such activity to the Sheriff's Office through it's website, email, or telephone. We encourage citizens of Baldwin County to report suspicious activity in and around their neighborhoods.

Sheriff Huey Hoss Mack has established the following premise, "Law Enforcement can not win the war on crime alone. It must have the involvement of the community to make a significant impact."

Bumper stickers and training pamphlets are available at all locations of the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office. Anyone interested should call the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office at 251-937-0210. The Baldwin County Sheriff's Office will provide trainers to civic, private, and public organizations upon requests regarding this new program. You may find more information on our website, www.sheriff.co.baldwin.al.us, or to report a non emergency crime, email reportcrime@co.baldwin.al.us.





Thank You!

The City of Daphne would like to thank the following businesses for their support and sponsorship of our annual Employee Wellness and Benefits Fair.

We look forward to seeing them again next year.

Platinum Sponsors

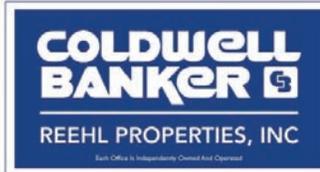


BY CHOICE HOTELS



BlueCross BlueShield of Alabama

An Independent Licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.



www.reehlproperties.com

Bob Pitts
Regional Sales Manager Gulf Coast
Vice President
bob_pitts@colonialbank.com

Office: (251) 980-2075
Fax: (251) 980-2076
Cell: (251) 233-3356



Nationwide
On Your Side



8158 Hwy 59, Suite 106 • Foley, AL 36535

Gold Sponsors



Grand Door Prize Sponsored by:



**2010
City of Daphne
Employee's Wellness
& Benefits Fair
June 16, 2010**

Silver Sponsors

- BALDWIN EYE CLINIC
- BAY BENEFITS
- BALDWIN COUNTY ORTHODONTICS SPECIALIST
- CARLISLE & ASSOCIATES
- SOUTHERN HOSPICE CARE
- BARRY BOOTH, DMD PC
- TIDEWATER REALTY
- ROSS, JORDAN AND GRAY

Old Methodist Church Museum of Daphne

by Mickey Boykin

The saga of the Old Methodist Church Museum of Daphne and the adjacent cemetery began in 1833 when Captain William Howard donated the land where the museum and cemetery are located for the purpose of establishing a community church and cemetery. The Howards are buried in the cemetery where the earliest recorded burial was 1847. Although plots can no longer be purchased, burial is permitted for survivors of family members interred therein.

The cemetery contains graves of veterans of the Civil, Spanish American, and World Wars I and II, as well as beloved slaves Becky Ann and Snake, and David Moniac, son of the first native American to graduate from West Point. It is believed that there is a mass grave containing remains of Union soldiers, although the exact site has not been identified. Another unusual grave site is the McAdam family plot which is enclosed by clay posts, a Celtic tradition. The posts were made in the McAdam pottery which was located in Daphne. Other prominent residents of Baldwin County are also interred in the cemetery.

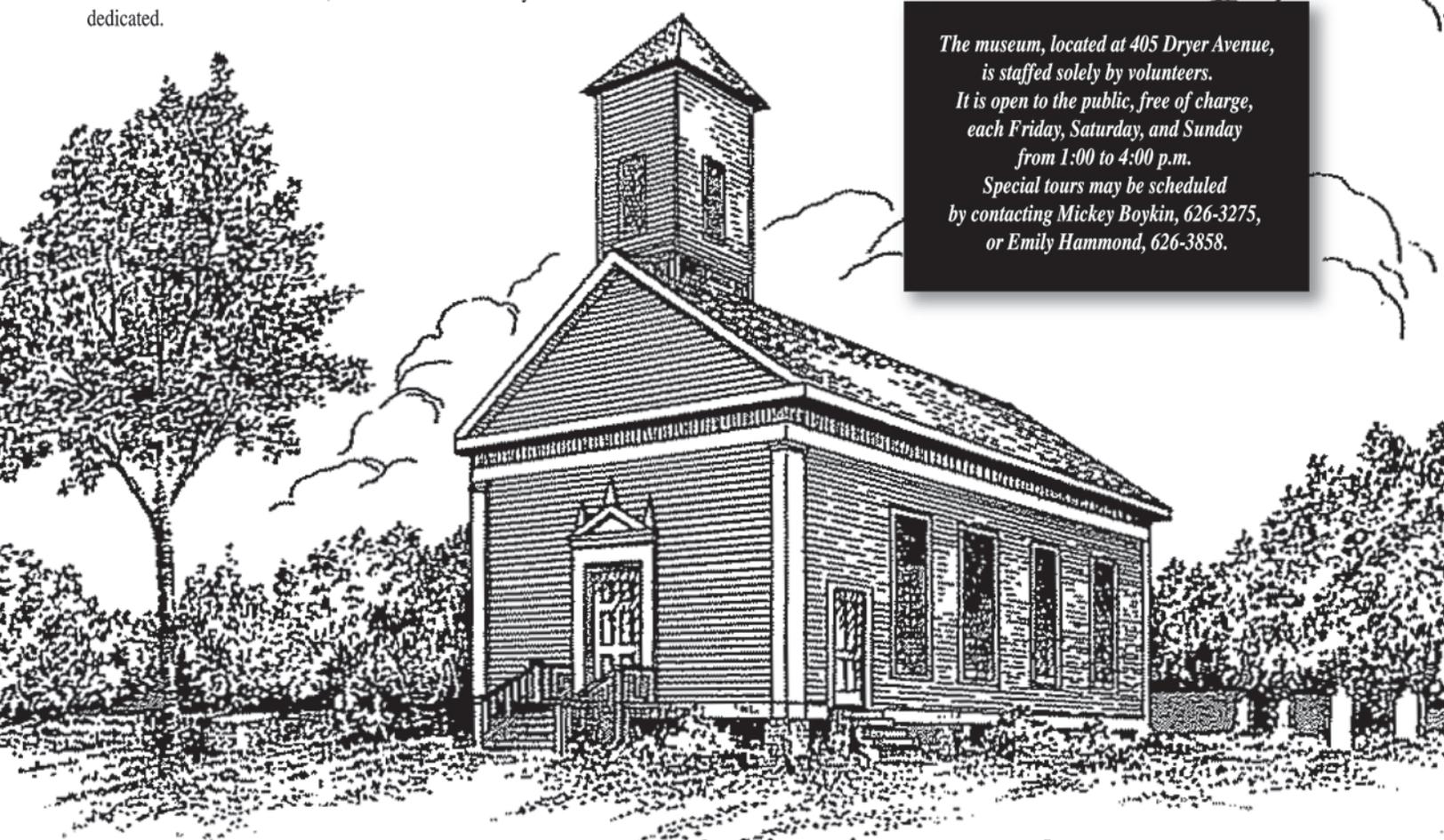
In 1858, Larkin Elbert Edmondson began construction of a church, but died prior to completion. It is said that Isaac Alexander, a Creole carpenter completed the building. A slave gallery was included in the church so that slaves could accompany their owners to church.

The church served all Protestant denominations until 1870, when it became known as the Daphne Methodist Episcopal Church South. In 1939 it was designated as the Daphne Methodist Church. Worship services were held in the church until December 1976, when a new sanctuary on Main Street was dedicated.

The building has weathered several hurricanes, the most devastating being Frederick in 1976. The building was severely damaged and was slated for demolition when a group of caring and concerned citizens banded together and formed an organization called "The Preservation Society for the Old Daphne Church." Because of their untiring efforts, the church was saved from demolition and remains much the same today as when it was constructed. The slave gallery is intact; some of the original pews are still in use during regular board meetings and special events; and the original chandelier, modified for electricity, still swings from the center of the ceiling. However, the original church bell, donated by Mrs. William Jones, Jr., and reported to have been lined with melted down silver dollars, has a new home at the current Methodist Church on Main Street.

Nineteenth century custom dictated that the church bell would toll upon the death of a member. The responsibility for carrying out this special task lay with the church sexton, who at one time was Russell Dick, a black man who became a prominent businessman and landowner in the community.

In 1999, E. Harry Brown, Mayor of Daphne, appointed a board to establish a museum in the church to showcase artifacts depicting the history of Daphne and surrounding areas. The museum was dedicated on May 6, 2001 with a formal ceremony and open house, and officially opened on June 6, 2002.



The museum, located at 405 Dryer Avenue, is staffed solely by volunteers. It is open to the public, free of charge, each Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Special tours may be scheduled by contacting Mickey Boykin, 626-3275, or Emily Hammond, 626-3858.

**Please
Spay & Neuter
your pets!**

News Snippets

For the seventh straight month the Daphne Animal Shelter has been successful in the "No-Kill" of healthy adoptable pets.

On May 13, 2009, Lynne Findley, Maddie's Field Representative and Mike Graham, The Haven's Director issued a certificate of Recognition to the Daphne Animal Shelter staff

for achieving an adoption guarantee for healthy animals.

"We certainly appreciate the support of the Maddie's Coalition partners in placing healthy animals in foster homes until they can be adopted."

-Rhonda Jones

Please Donate!

Cash donations are needed to subsidize our spay/neuter procedures.

The donations allay the cost for surgeries, and veterinary care. This is vital to the homeless pets and their survival. Please send your tax-deductible contribution to the Daphne Animal Shelter.

Spay/Neuter Project

Daphne Animal Shelter
7145 Johnson Road
Daphne, AL 36526

Volunteerism

To learn how to volunteer with the Daphne Animal Shelter call Lt. Ric Yelding, Supv. Support Services, at 621.2838 ryelding@daphnepolice.org.

Adoptions

Each Wednesday "The Daphne Bulletin" newspaper features a photo and brief description of the Daphne Animal Shelter pets that are available for adoption. Look for the ad "Lost Without You" for your next best friend!

For more information on our pet adoptions or to make a donation to the Daphne Albert Corte, Jr. Animal Shelter call us at 251.621.2831.

Go to www.petfinder.com or our new animal shelter website at www.daphneanimalshelter.org to view a selection of adoptable pets at the Dr. Albert Corte, Jr. Animal Shelter.

Working for Healthy Relationships

Submitted by Maria Nicholson



DR. ALBERT CORTE, JR.
ANIMAL SHELTER

Daphne dog & cat licenses are required by law for all dogs/cats 4 months of age or older. If your dog/cat is unlicensed you can be cited and fined. Even indoor-only dogs & cats confined to fenced yards get loose and their licenses help assure you can be reunited with them.

ANIMAL LICENSE

All License Renewals are due by January 1
A fee of \$10 will be assessed after January 15.
Spayed/Neutered \$3.00 / Unaltered \$5.00

***All applications must be accompanied by a copy of the vaccination receipt. Download an application at www.daphneal.com under forms, Animal License is listed under Revenue.*

Send a self addressed stamped envelope to:
CITY OF DAPHNE- ANIMAL LICENSE
P. O. BOX 400, DAPHNE, AL 36526
621-2831

FOR A REPLACEMENT TAG:

Animal Control can make a replacement dog tag for you. There is a \$5 replacement fee. You can either come in to our office and we can make it then, or you can mail in a check and we will mail the new tag back to you. If you mail in the request, complete a license application and indicate that it is a replacement tag. Send the completed form and a check made payable to: City of Daphne Animal Control, 7145 Johnson Road, Daphne, AL 36526.

MONTHLY ADOPTIONS:

We normally do an on-site adoption the last Saturday of every month except in November & December. "Yappy Hour" is held at the Daphne Animal Shelter from 9 a.m. 12 noon. Yappy Hour is an opportunity for families to visit the shelter on Saturday and see what pets are available for adoption. Light refreshments are served and Maddie's Tail Wag coloring books are free to the public. The shelter staff also provides a variety of brochures and handouts on pet care and behavior tips. Please call the shelter 621.2831 to find out about current events as dates are subject to change without notice.

Maddie's Coalition

We also partner with other agencies in rotating special events with the "Maddie's Coalition Partner Events," "Speed Dating For Dogs," "Tag Day," "Microchip & Rabies clinics," and "Adopt-A-Thon" events!!! If you are interested in helping with any of these events, please call us to learn how to volunteer your time and talents! What if I can't afford to have my pet altered? You may apply for a spay or neuter voucher which helps low income families with the cost of altering your pet. Call Baldwin Animal Rescue Control for details.

Employees Recognized



Mike Graham, Director of The Haven recognizes AC Officers Rhonda Jones & Linda Mathews of the Daphne Shelter for achieving a seven month adoption guarantee of healthy animals at the shelter.

In February of 2009, Daphne Animal Shelter partnered with Maddie's Pet Rescue Project of Baldwin County shelters in promising an "adoption guarantee" to all healthy animals that came into the shelter that month. Through the hard work of Daphne shelter staff to increase adoptions and their close work with The Haven to transfer animals, Daphne was able to extend that guarantee not only through February, but for a full six months! Compared to figures from last year, this means that 52 more lives were saved through this effort. Daphne Animal Shelter will continue their commitment to increasing adoptions, educating the public on responsible pet ownership and working with rescue groups to transfer animals out when space becomes tight so that they can continue to find good homes for as many animals as possible.

- Casey Reynolds Project Coordinator
Maddie's Pet Rescue Project of Baldwin County

**February is National Prevent
a Litter Month**

Spay/Neuter Initiatives Can Save Lives

Sterilizing dogs and cats has been hailed as the most effective method for pet population control. You can help save lives by spaying and neutering your pet. If pets can't breed, they don't produce litters of puppies & kittens that end up in animal shelters to be adopted or euthanized.

Unspayed female dogs attract unwanted attention every six months. From a psychological and biological point-of-view, spay/neuter is the best thing for your dog. Neutered dogs have less desire to roam, mark territory (like your couch!) and exert dominance over the pack. Spayed dogs no longer experience the hormonal changes during heat cycles that turn your pet into a nervous dog that cries incessantly and attracts unwanted male dogs. Sterilized dogs are more affectionate and less likely to bite, run away, become aggressive, or get into a fight.

The needless suffering and euthanasia of millions of pets each year could be easily diminished if each family alters their own pets -or strays they feed - before litters are born.

For more information on spaying and neutering and how you can help spread the word about this life-saving practice visit Daphne Animal Shelter website at www.daphneanimalshelter.org, www.animal-league.org or get help at www.spayusa.org.

Thank You Maddie!

Daphne Animal Shelter has a new website!



The Pet Rescue Foundation
www.maddiesfund.org

We are pleased to announce that the www.daphneanimalshelter.org website was made possible by a grant from Maddie's Fund, the Pet Rescue Foundation.

PeopleSoft and Workday Founder, Dave Duffield, and his wife, Cheryl, created Maddie's Fund in 1999. The foundation makes good on a promise the Duffields made to their beloved Miniature Schnauzer, Maddie, to give back in dollars that which Maddie gave to them in companionship and love. Maddie passed away in 1997, but thanks to this one little dog, abandoned shelter animals have new opportunities to find loving homes in which they, too, may share in the joy and love that Dave and Cheryl enjoyed with Maddie.

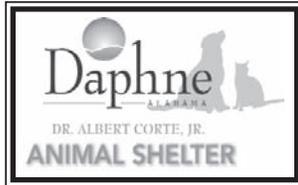
The shelter launched its site to inform residents about services offered by the City of Daphne Animal Control Division. The site is a general overview of services with room to expand with community outreach & activities such as "Be Kind To Animals Week" May 2-8, 2010. We encourage the public to visit the site to stay abreast of our shelter progress, upcoming events and new developments. The site will be a work in progress in describing the services offered and providing important details regarding animal control issues.

Shelter Data: Stats for Daphne Animal Shelter are listed on this site too. The collection and publication of this data is also sponsored by Maddie's Fund, www.maddiesfund.org.



New Signage Coming to Daphne Animal Shelter

We wish to extend heartfelt thanks to the public for their contributions to the Daphne Animal Shelter. Look for our new sign at the shelter's entrance that was made possible from your donations.



Donate for the animals at the Daphne Shelter

A modest donation of even just \$1 from every person who reads this will help us provide the money, the shelter so desperately needs to spay and neuter homeless animals.

If you would like to help us, you can make a donation at the shelter or mail it to us.

The Daphne Animal Shelter respects the privacy of its donors. We do not sell or exchange any individual donor information.



Dog Bite Prevention

Every year, approximately 800,000 people receive medical attention for dog bites. The ASPCA estimates that 50% of children will be bitten by a dog before their 12th birthday. That's why May 16-22 is National Dog Bite Prevention Week - a great time to teach children to be safe around dogs. The majority of bites occur from animals that children already know, whether their own pet or the pet of a friend or neighbor. Children ages 5 to 9 are most at risk for injury from a dog bite, and the risk decreases as they age. But children can also easily avoid danger when it comes to dogs, by learning this simple pledge (courtesy of the ASPCA):



I promise to stay safe around dogs

1. I will not stare into a dog's eyes.
2. I will not tease dogs behind fences.
3. I will not go near dogs chained up in yards.
4. I will not touch a dog I see loose (off-leash) outside.
5. If I see a loose dog, I will tell an adult immediately.
6. I will not run and scream if a loose dog comes near me.
7. I will stand very still (like a tree), and will be very quiet if a dog comes near me.
8. I will not touch or play with a dog while he or she is eating.
9. I will not touch a dog when he or she is sleeping.
10. I will only pet a dog if I have received permission from the dog's owner.
11. Then I will ask permission of the dog by letting him sniff my closed hand.



EVERY DAY IS TAG DAY™

April 3, 2010

Without a voice, and without a tag, he may never find his way home.

April 3, 2010, kicks off American Humane's "Every Day Is Tag Day".

It's a big world out there. Especially if you're eight inches tall, like Max the cat. There are lots of places to explore and hide, and before you know it, you can't find your way home. All you wanted was to smell the lawn or chase that squirrel. You slipped through the door, let your curiosity take you, and now you're far from home. The American Humane Association celebrates every day as Tag Day to encourage all pet owners to tag or microchip their companion animals. Courtesy of the American Humane Society.



Daphne Optimist Club committee members planning Art & Poetry contest. (L-R) Ryan Carr, D.V.M., Maria Nicholson, Chairperson, Rhonda Jones, Animal Control & dog Sassy, Alisha Foster, D.C. & Nancy Martin, BARC.



The Pet Release Foundation
www.maddiesfund.org



OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL

www.optimist.org

"If we wish to create a lasting peace we must begin with the children."
Mahatma Gandhi



“Be Kind to Animals”

The Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo, Daphne Animal Shelter, Baldwin County Humane Society, Maddie’s Fund with the Daphne Optimist Club will be sponsoring an art and poetry contest to bring attention to “Be Kind to Animals” week in order to promote ways to treat animals humanely and encourage others, especially children, to do the same. The goal of humane education is to create a culture of empathy and caring by stimulating one’s moral development and sense of responsibility.

The end goal of humane education is to create a more compassionate and responsible society. Humane education teaches people how to accept and fulfill their responsibility to companion animals. It teaches people to understand the consequences of irresponsible behavior and finally, humane education encourages the value of all living things.

In celebration of “Be Kind to Animals” Week, May 2-8, 2010, we are inviting students in grades 1st- 6th to participate in the elementary school contest. There will be two categories: Category I is 4th -6th grade (POETRY) and Category II is 1st-3rd grade (ART). In category I, 4th-6th graders will be asked to submit a poem that portrays the message of being kind to animals. Category II participants, 1st-3rd graders, will be asked to submit a poster portraying kindness to animals. All entries will be judged on effort, creativity, and composition. Contest Rules & Regulations will be posted by participating schools and teachers will disseminate requirements to students prior to the starting date. Deadline to submit a contribution to teachers is March 31, 2010. Winner's will be announced and awarded during “Be Kind to Animals” week on May 2-8, 2010. Further information regarding submission rules and prizes will be announced closer to the contest start date.

Daphne Optimist dedicated to Bringing out the Best in Kids



Optimist Clubs do their part through community service programs. Since each Club is autonomous and run by members in their community, Optimists have the unique flexibility to serve the youth of their area in any way they see fit. Optimist Clubs see a need in their community and react to it.



"Bringing Out the Best in Kids." Optimist Clubs conduct positive service projects in their communities aimed at providing a helping hand to youth. With their upbeat attitude, Optimist Club members help empower young people to be the best they can be. Each Optimist Club determines the needs of the young people in its community and conducts programs to meet those needs. Every year, Optimists conduct 65,000 service projects and serve well over six million young people.

This year the Daphne Optimist Club has sponsored a Golf Tournament at Lake Forest, has partnered with the Daphne Fire Department in hosting a Fire Prevention Poster Contest throughout the schools, will be hosting a Christmas Tree Maze fundraiser in December and will also be participating in the International Oratorical Contest.

To find out more about the work of the Daphne Optimist Club please call our President, Ben Spencer, at 251-626-1560.

By Alisha Foster, D.C. Center for Family Health and Wellness, Inc.

Let's Talk TRASH

The Dos and Don'ts



The Jubilee City

McBride

C & D Landfill

964-4229

Magnolia Landfill

988-8125

If your scheduled trash day falls on a City Holiday it will be picked up the next scheduled day.

- Must be placed at the curb side, within 6 feet of the street, before 7:00 a.m., but not more than 24 hours before your service day. (**Place trash materials separate from garbage and recycle products at the curb side.**)
- Size of Pick Up: We offer pick up of a 15 cubic foot area for free which is the size of a refrigerator laying on its side. If you have more than this load the city will pick it up and charge you accordingly for the additional labor and equipment used to take to the landfill. Someone from solid waste will give you an estimate of the cost and this will need to be paid in advance. Another option would be to separate your items into smaller areas and place out weekly until it is disposed of.

- The following items are examples of trash items that **CAN** be picked up:

Yard Debris	Lawn Mowers	Fire Wood
Furniture	* Tree/Shrub Trimmings	Appliances (No Glass)
Bicycles	Barbecue Grills - excluding propane bottles	

* The city does not pick up trees that have been cut down by contractors or individuals paid to remove trees. It is the property owners responsibility to have these trees removed.

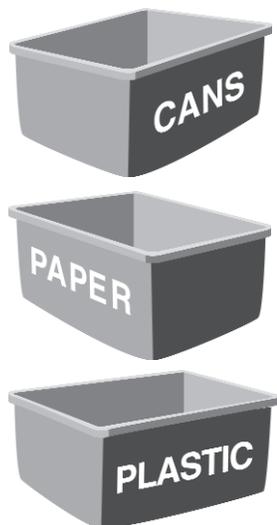
- The following items **CANNOT** be picked up:

Concrete	Asphalt	Oil
Tires	Gas	Paint
Batteries	Chemicals	Propane Bottles
*Construction Debris	**Electronics (TV, computer, etc.)	

*The city does not pick up construction debris left by contractors or individuals paid to do a remodeling job at your home.

**Electronic items should be taken to Public Works and may be dropped off during the week from 7:30 AM until 3:00 PM.

- All leaves, pine straw, grass clippings and pine cones **MUST BE BAGGED**. In Spring and Fall seems to be a heavier time related to yard work and debris left at the street. It is possible your route could get behind because of the additional pick up and if so it will be picked up the following day.
- **DO NOT** place materials in garbage cans, boxes, wheelbarrows or any other container.
- Trash materials should be separated into two piles. One pile containing only wood debris. The wood debris will be chipped and made into mulch that will be available to all residents for gardening and landscaping use. All other materials should be placed in a separate pile to be collected by a different truck. Large amounts of debris will be collected at the end of the daily route, or on an alternate day.
- **DO NOT** place debris under trees or power lines and do not place materials on or near utility, cable, telephone equipment or street signs. If damage occurs to service equipment, you will be billed for the repairs. If your garbage and trash day are the same, please place in separate locations.
- Tree limbs and clippings should not be more than 5' in length or 8" in diameter and should be placed parallel to the street.
- Non-trash materials and improperly placed materials, **WILL NOT** be collected. Items not accepted by the City can be taken to one of the following county landfills.



Solid Waste Department • 26435 Public Works Road • 251-621-2004

Athletic Department

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Athletic Coordinator
Charlie McDavid
621-3703 ext. 211
athdir@bellsouth.net

Parks Department Supervisor
Dwayne Coley
621-3703 ext. 210

Weather Pagers:
568-1613 or 568-5016
(Call after 4:00 pm
on game days to check
for cancellations)

The Daphne Recreation Department's Athletic Division strives to provide quality athletic programs for adults and children alike. Our main objective is to provide programs in which everyone can participate, have fun, learn new skills and reap the benefits of exercising and living a healthy lifestyle. Youth sports programs provided by the Recreation Department in the spring include Girl's Softball (ages 6-13) and Dixie Boys Baseball (ages 13 & 14). Adult sports programs include Men's Church League Softball, Open Coed League Softball, Men's Open League Softball and Adult

Soccer Leagues. If you would like information on any of our programs, please contact the Daphne Recreation Department.

The Daphne Recreation Department's Athletic Programs depend heavily on volunteer coaches. The volunteers are what make the programs successful. Coaching can be a very rewarding experience and can provide memories that will last a lifetime. We try to support our coaches in any way possible. Please consider volunteering to coach your child in the sport of their choice.

WWW.DAPHNESPORTS.COM

YOUTH PROGRAMS

BASEBALL

Daphne Dixie Boys

Ages: 13 & 14 (age of child as of May 1, 2010)

Registration: Jan. 16, 23 & 30

at the Recreation Dept. from 10:00 to noon.

Cost: \$80 per participant

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Daphne Girls Softball

Ages: 6-13 (age of child as of Jan. 1, 2010)

Registration: Jan. 16, 23 & 30 at the Recreation Dept. from 10:00 to noon

Cost: \$50 per participant

NON CITY SPONSORED

Daphne Dixie Youth Baseball

Contact Number – 990-5405

Registration Dates:



Challenger Sports British Soccer Camp

Camp Dates: July 19-23

Must register before July 9

Ages: 3-14

Cost: \$73 for mini-soccer (ages 3-5)

\$99 for half day camp (ages 6 & up)

Site: Al Trione Sports Complex Soccer Fields



Each child receives a t-shirt and soccer ball with paid registration.

We also need host families for the coaches. If you are interested in the Camp or possibly hosting a coach, please contact the Daphne Recreation Department. You can also find out more information about the camp and even register for the camp at www.challengersports.com.



ADULT SOFTBALL

Men's Church League Softball

Team Registration: Jan. 15 - Feb. 15

Games will be played on Monday nights

Summer Open Coed Softball League

Team Registration: in May

Games will be played on Thursday nights

Summer Men's Open League Softball

Team Registration: in May

Games will be played on Monday nights

ADULT SOCCER

We will have several adult soccer leagues running throughout the year. Please contact the Daphne Recreation Department for more details.

Daphne Senior Citizen Center

Seniors

Enjoying New Friendships & New Experiences

Check the monthly calendar for day trips and new activities.

SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Club Monthly Meeting -

Meet the first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m.

This Club is open to all adults 55 years and older. Come and enjoy the educational programming, trips, games and arts and crafts. Covered Dish Luncheon and Bingo is held the third Thursday of each month. For additional information call (251) 621-3703, ext 219. The meetings are held at the Daphne Senior Center, 2605 Highway 98, Daphne, Alabama. Come and enjoy a social atmosphere and learn new skills.

Lunch Meal -

Monday-Friday at 11:30 a.m. -

The only qualification is that you have to be 60 years old. This program is not about the meals it is about people over 60 years of age coming in and sharing a meal with other people and socializing. Meals are limited to 60 serving a day and a (\$1.50) donation is accepted.

Lunch Bingo

Before lunch every Tuesday & Thursday

Senior Exercise -

8:30 a.m. M-W-F Weight Training

8:30 a.m. Tuesday & Thursday-
Stretching & exercising.

1:00 p.m. Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program

9:00 a.m. Yoga Mondays & Fridays

Movie & Lunch -

Last Monday of every month
@ 11:00 a.m.

Book Club

First Friday of every month @ 10:00 a.m.

Movie Friday

Second Friday of each month @ 9:15 a.m.

Blood Pressure Check -

Every Monday 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Monthly Birthday Party -

Third Wednesday of the month
at 2:00 p.m.

Potluck & Bingo -

Third Thursday of the month at 12:15 p.m. bring your covered dish, we provide the main course and bingo cards are \$3.00.

Cards & Games -

Mondays- 1:00 p.m. -

Beginning Texas Hold-em

Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m.-

Bridge Games - Janet 990-5114

Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. -

Bocce games @ Lott Park. Call Al Guarisco 626-2729 for more information.

Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. -

(*Needed Pinochle & scrabble players)

B
O
C
C
E



Arts/Crafts

Art Class – Beginners Mondays
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Instructor Mary Ann Lee

Sewing Bee Class – Call Mary for more information @ 621-3703

Daphne Senior Travelers

Monthly meeting first Wednesday of each month @ 10:00 am.

For additional
information on these
or any other
Senior Citizen issues
call Mary Jensen
at 621-3703.





Friends on the Eastern Shore

Many folks are deceived about homeschoolers believing us to lack socialization and I am here to tell you, nothing could be further from the truth.



Teen Costume Party November '09 held at the Lake Forest Country Club.

The Lake Forest Home School Club is a faith-based non-profit volunteer group of families who live in the eastern shore area of Baldwin County. Many folks are deceived about homeschoolers believing us to lack socialization and I am here to tell you, nothing could be further from the truth. We have so many activities going on within our group that we need to consult our calendar daily to stay on track.

Our 100+ families enjoy weekly, monthly, and annual events from shared classes like: biology, Spanish I, Spanish II, speech, automotive maintenance, sports opportunities, website design and complimentary hosting, to name a few, and all at no teaching cost to our students.

We have huge turnouts of over one hundred participants at our four annual parties one during each season. We have beach parties, pool parties, skating & bowling parties, Christmas party, field days and so much more. Of course we have plenty of field trips and something for every age to enjoy!

Our teens and some of their talented younger siblings as well, are quite generous with their time and talent. Their local civic service activities range from helping with local equine farms to musically entertaining the residents and rehab patients at Mercy Medical, on a monthly basis. We also support other charities by collecting and sending care packages to our troops overseas as well as the local Prodissee Center which provides food for local families in their time of need.

There is so much more for me to share with you about our group and Alabama's educational choices, but space is limited here. Please visit our website if you are interested in joining a fun group of folks, with a lot going on! www.LFHSC.org.



Field Day – end of school party '09. A group of younger students gathered at Faith Family Fellowship.



Speech Class '09 held weekly at the Daphne United Methodist Church Community Life Center.

Daphne Jubilee Easter Egg Hunt

March 27, 2010



Lott Park, 2000 Main Street

Especially for children: balloon animals, clowns, pony rides, a petting zoo, face painting, space walks, train rides, games, art projects and pictures with the Easter bunny!

Egg Hunts: 12-3 PM.

Parking is available adjacent to the park and at the Civic Center. A BRATS bus will be running from 11:30 AM until 3:30 PM to and from the Civic Center.

Hunt Schedule

AGE GROUP

Children in strollers
Boys & Girls age 1 & 2
Boys & Girls age 3 & 4
Girls age 5 through 7
Boys age 5 through 7
Girls age 8 through 10
Boys age 8 through 10

TIME

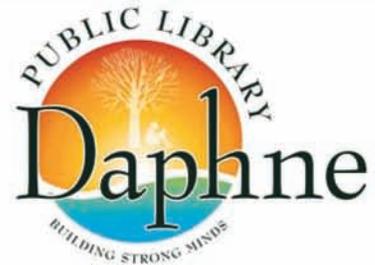
12:10 PM
12:35 PM
1:00 PM
1:25 PM
1:50 PM
2:15 PM
2:35 PM

Sponsored by The Rotary Club of Daphne-Spanish Fort, the City of Daphne, the Baldwin County Commission, area businesses and individuals.



Daphne Public Library

Library Director: Tonja Young, tonjadpl@bellsouth.net
Reference Librarian: Anne Morris, annedpl@bellsouth.net



Computer Access for Patrons

Daphne citizens will soon have a new computer lab in their library! The lab will feature sixteen computer workstations with a print server and capabilities to be used as a classroom. City departments and non-profit organizations will be able to book the lab for training sessions. Various members of the library staff will be teaching free technology courses to the public, including Beginning Computer Use, Using Word, Using Excel, Accessing the Internet, Working with Digital Photos, Using the Alabama Virtual Library, Surfing the Web and much more. Watch for sign up sheets at the front desk.

When the lab is not booked for group use, the computer stations will be used for overflow public Internet

access. Stations will be equipped with the scheduling and filtering software currently in use at the library. Current library policies will be maintained in the lab area.

All new computers will be equipped with Microsoft Office software, Internet access and headphones for privacy and/or courtesy for other computer users. A staff member will be in charge of the lab, keeping computers and software updated and providing assistance and troubleshooting.

Students and adults have steadily increasing needs for Internet access which is offered to the public at no charge by the library. Free wireless Internet



access continues to be available at the library as well. Patrons use computers to apply for jobs, research medical issues, stay in touch with relatives and friends, and produce everything from resumes and school projects to invitations and business plans. The computers will also give the public more access to city news, Council minutes, coupons, forms, and informational topics.

Contact Information

2607 US Hwy 98

PO Box 1225

Daphne, AL 36526

Phone: 251-621-2818

Fax: 251-621-3086

daphlib3@bellsouth.net

daphneal.com/library

Special points of interest:

- Daphne Library offers over 56,000 different titles
- Daphne Library circulates an average of 20,000 items per month
- Daphne Library serves an average of 19,000 citizens per month
- Daphne Library has received over \$230,000 in grants since June, 2006

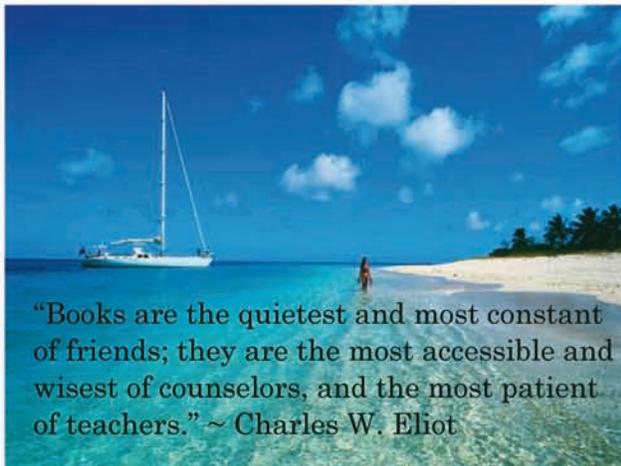
READ

Friends Book Shop

Support local library events and enjoy great bargains by shopping in the Friends Book Shop! Find your summer treasure!

Regular shop schedule:

Mon. 10:00 am—6:00 pm
Tues. 10:00 am—5:00 pm
Wed. 10:00 am—6:00 pm
Sat. 10:00 am—2:00 pm



“Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers.” ~ Charles W. Eliot

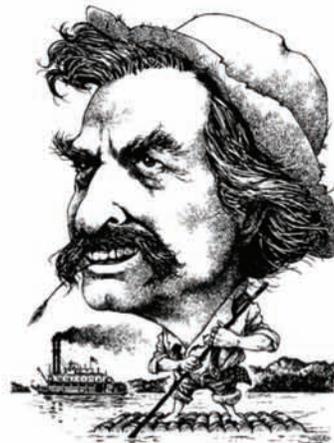


Hours of Operation:

Sunday - Closed
Mon.—Thurs.
9:00 am—8:00 pm
Fri. 9:00 am—5:00 pm
Sat. 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Daphne Public Library

The Big Read comes To Alabama



The Big Read: Alabama Reads *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain

The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts designed to restore reading to the center of American culture. The NEA presents The Big Read in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in cooperation with Arts Midwest. The Big Read brings together partners across the country to encourage reading for pleasure and enlightenment.

The Big Read provides citizens with the oppor-

tunity to read and discuss a single book within their communities. This initiative comprises innovative reading programs in selected communities; expansive outreach and publicity campaigns, including broadcast and print publicity; compelling resources for discussing outstanding literature; and an extensive Web site offering comprehensive information on the authors and their works. By the end of 2009, approximately 400 towns and cities

nationwide hosted a Big Read program.

Each community's Big Read includes a kick-off event to launch the program locally; major events devoted specifically to the Big Read book (panel discussions, lectures, public readings, and the like); events using the Big Read book as a point of departure (film screenings, theatrical readings, and so forth); and book discussions in diverse locations and aimed at a wide range of audiences.



BIG READ SCHEDULE

Tom Sawyer

Family Fun Day:

Week of March 7

All Storytimes

March 20

11:00 am—2:00 pm

Jubilee Book Club:

March 17

10:00—11:00 am

Film Viewing:

April 9

6:30—8:30 pm

Jim & Joyce Cauthen:

April 24

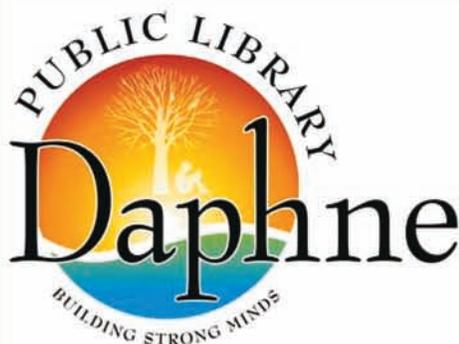
TBA

Daphne Public Library Big Read Program

The Daphne Public Library will host several events to support The Big Read. We would like to challenge everyone in Daphne and the surrounding areas to read *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, even if you read it in the distant past! Often re-reading a book will bring thoughts to light that one missed in the first reading. The Big Read will kick off in Daphne during the month of March 2010. The annual Spring into Reading Children's Festival

will be based on the theme, offering music, games, characters, stories, and décor from the time period of Tom Sawyer's story. Special picture book adaptations of the book will be presented during regular storytime sessions along with exciting crafts and activities. The Jubilee Book Club will read and discuss *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*. Discussion will take place at the March meeting on Wednesday the 17th at 10:00 am. An

outdoor film viewing will be held on Friday, April 9th at 6:30 pm. Finally, a visit with Alabama Humanities Foundation Road Scholars and musicians, Jim and Joyce Cauthen, is tentatively planned for Saturday, April 24. So grab your hat, read the book, and stroll down a dusty lane in Hannibal with us, where humor, trouble and adventure follow Tom Sawyer everywhere! There'll be plenty of fun for everyone!



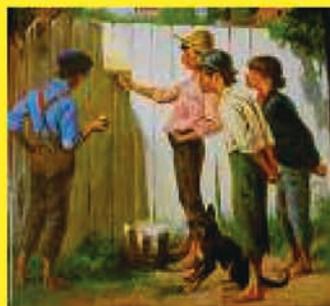
Daphne Public Library



Children's Librarian Fanny Barnett, 621-2818, ext. 203
Assistant Children's Librarian Rhonda Moss, 621-2818, ext. 209
Young Adult Librarian Louise Youngblood, 621-2818, ext. 211

2010 Spring into Reading joins The BIG READ: Alabama Reads The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

This year the annual Spring into Reading children's festival will be joining readers across the state for The BIG READ: Alabama Reads *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain.



"Tom Sawyer Family Fun Day," set for Saturday, March 20 from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm, will feature games and activities from the days of Hannibal, riverboats, picnics, and fence painting!

Entertainment will include performers, music, free popcorn and popsicles, storytelling, arts and crafts, and games galore! Try your hand at old fashioned games such as dropping clothespins into milk bottles, rolling hoops,

jumping frogs, fishing, and more. As always, you can win your very own books at the book walk.

Special guests will include Coastal Wonders and the Dauphin Island Sealab with frogs and other critters.

Art and poetry entries from local children will be on display, and poetry winners will receive

awards and have the opportunity to read their poetry to the public as the finale event of the festival.

Join us for FREE family fun at the library! This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Daphne Library, the Alabama Council on the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Arts.



Storytime calendars are available in the lobby of the library. Regularly scheduled story times are:

Lap Baby Storytimes:

Tuesdays @ 10:30 am

Preschool Storytimes:

Wednesdays @ 2:00 pm

Thursdays @ 10:30 am

After-School Story Hour:

Thursdays @ 3:45 pm



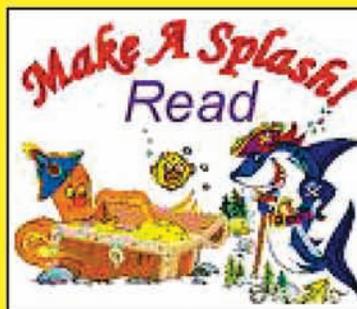
TEEN Advisory Board

Meets the second Tuesday of every month from 3:45 until 4:45 pm. Volunteer to help with Spring into Reading and children's Summer Reading activities!

Preview of Summer Reading Program: Make a Splash! READ!

Fill your summer with wet fun when you make a splash and read! The Kick-Off will be held on June 7 from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon. Reading logs, book marks and other materials will be available at the Kick-Off, as well as fun entertain-

ment! Attend weekly craft and story sessions geared to your age group. Read lots of great books and earn prizes! Overall top readers will be honored with an awards ceremony with the Mayor. Splash, splash, read!



This Summer, Don't Miss:

- Summer Reading Kick-Off Party
- Weekly Story & Craft Sessions
- Weekly Entertainers
- Prizes for Reading
- Top Reader Awards

The Daphne Recreation Department Presents

April 24 & 25 from 6-9pm

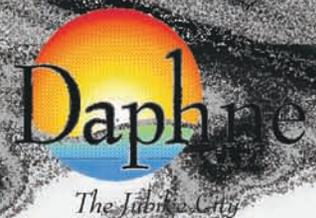
MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

Motown, R&B, Jazz

DAPHNE CITY HALL

Musical Entertainment to be Announced

Interested in sponsoring this event?
Contact Megan at 251.621.3703



Murals Around Daphne



Wetlands Mural

by Faye Earnest

www.fayearneststudio.com

Location: Main St. and College Ave. on the side of the Frame Corner.

Wetlands depict two snow white egrets in a local scene. Approximately 10 X 25, the mural shows textured and layered views of nature in and around Mobile Bay.



Take Me Home Mural

by Myra Knight

(251-626-1616)

Location: Daphne Animal Shelter on Johnson Road near Hwy. 98

Inspired by “Joey” her beloved dog, Myra started painting dogs and cats and soon got regular commission work. This was a natural project for her to do for the Animal Shelter.



The First Italian Families of Daphne

by Ameri’ca Jones-Gallaspy

Location: Main St. on the south side of the building across from Daphne City Hall

The mural is a visual reference to the Italian farming families that settled the Belforest, Daphne area, many of whom are still in the agriculture industry in Baldwin County.

Murals Around Daphne

Jubilee Mural

by Art Teachers Julie Day and Vikki Finch & Students

Location: Main Street across from Daphne City Hall on North side of building.

"Jubilee" - generally considered a time of great rejoicing - holds a special meaning around Mobile Bay on the Eastern Shore. To folks around Daphne and the rest of the Eastern Shore, it means a "phenomenon" that only happens in two places in the world which brings blue crabs, shrimp, and fish swimming from the depths of the bay into the shallow waters of the shoreline. Generally, the bottom fish, such as flounders, catfish, and stingrays, are the most affected. Crabs are almost always a part of the event. Jubilees occur only in summer months, usually in the early dawn hours before sunrise.



Manci Mural

by Susan Howell

(251-422-0940)

Location: Corner of Main St and Belrose Avenue on front of Manci's Restaurant.

Alexa Manci's father began collecting Jim Beam specialty decanters in 1955 which are shown in the mural. It is a interesting collection and reflection of Mr. Manci. Find the hidden ladybugs and lizards in the window or try to identify shapes hidden in the military helmet.



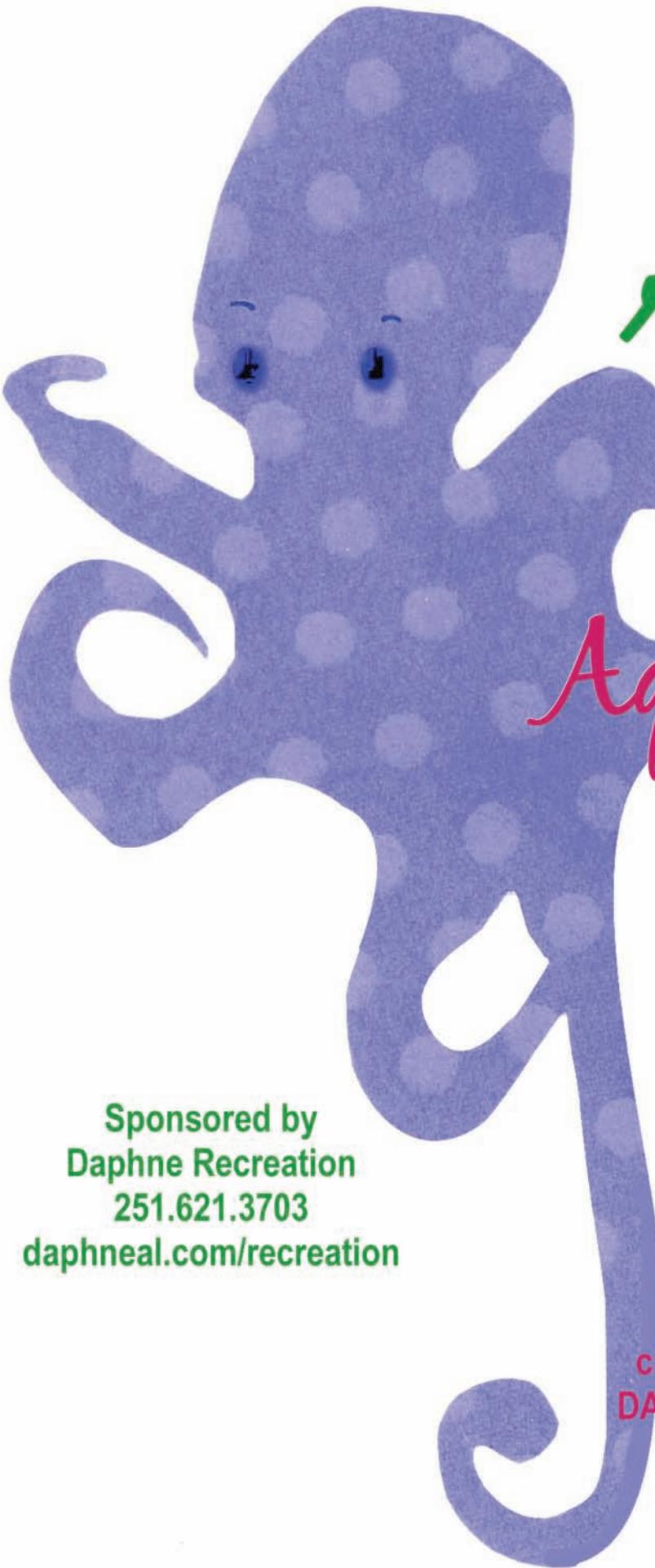
Regatta on Mobile Bay

by Art Teacher, Shepard Partridge, of Daphne High School & Students

Location: Main Street on the south side of Will Hugh's Restaurant.

A familiar site on a beautiful day is a bay filled with sailboats.





ART
IN THE
PARK

Aquatic Life

Thursday, May 27

Thursday, June 3

10am to 1pm

FREE ADMISSION!

W.O. Lott Park

2000 Main Street, Daphne

crafts, face painting, train rides,
DARE, inflatables, games, clowns,
gyrospace & more

Sponsored by
Daphne Recreation
251.621.3703
daphneal.com/recreation

Looking for a way to get involved in YOUR community?

Adopt-A-Park Initiative

The City of Daphne will give you an opportunity to participate and volunteer in its' Adopt-A-Park program. Opportunities for community organizations, school clubs, corporations, local businesses and individuals to take an active role in improving and maintaining Daphne's park system. Call 621-3703 for details.



2010 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

March 4-7	Baldwin County Home Builders
April 9 & 10	Mobile Bottle Collectors
April 27	Spring Baldwin Pops
May 7	Masquerade Ballroom Dance
August 13	Taste of the Eastern Shore
December 6	Winter Wonderland Baldwin Pops

Call 626-5300 for information about other events in 2010.