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Several projects ongoing, projected in Long Beach

By Rob Sigler

“The Friendly City” has several projects in the works or on the drawing board aimed at improving the quality of life for residents, as well as draw more visitors to Long Beach.

One project currently taking place is the development of the much-anticipated dog park.

The joint venture with the Harrison County Board of Supervisors, and in particular District 3 Supervisor Marlin Ladner, should be taking shape with a target date of completion planned for September, according to city of Long Beach Community Affairs Director Jenny Levens.

Harrison County crews cleared land for the dog park facility on Daugherty Road and brought in

sand as the foundation for the sod at the new facility.

Levens said fencing and signage is already on hand and will go up soon.

The \$80,000 project has come together through grants, fundraisers and donations. A well-known dog park designer from New York City offered her services for free to the project.

Residents should also see some road paving projects taking place in and around Long Beach over the next few months, according to Levens.

Portions of Highway 90 have already been paved through a project with the Mississippi Department of Transportation, but city officials are now turning their attention to making Long Beach even more inviting to tour-



Photo by Rob Sigler

City officials are hoping a potential Gateway Project will draw more people off Highway 90 and onto Jeff Davis Avenue.

ists.

Officials say the \$4 million project, dubbed the Gateway Project, is aimed at getting people off Highway 90 and up into the city.

“We want them to know there’s more up here than just a stoplight to get to the next city,” Levens said.

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Voters go to the polls Aug. 6 for primary election

By Rob Sigler

Long Beach voters will go to the polls Aug. 6 to cast ballots in the Republican and Democratic primary elections.

A runoff, if necessary, will be held Aug. 27.

Polls will open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

Complete sample ballots can be found on the Harrison County website, <http://co.harrison.ms.us/>

Besides the statewide races, there are several local candidates vying for election.

In the Democratic Primary, local contested races include:

Incumbent Deborah Dawkins

will meet challenger Gary Fredericks for the District 48 State Senate candidate.

Sonya Williams Brown and Jeffery Hulm III will face off to be the candidate for the District 119 House of Representatives seat.

Other contested races in the Democratic

Primary include Southern District Public Service Commission-

er where former Ocean Springs mayor Connie Moran will face

Sugar Stallings.

In the Republican Primary, contested races locally include:

Jason Boyd

and Mike Thompson

will meet to become

the District 48 State Senate candidate.



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Brian Carriere and incumbent John McAdams meet in the Harrison County Chancery Clerk’s race.

Pascagoula Mayor Dane Maxwell will face Kelvin Schulz in the Southern District Public Service Commissioner race.

Southern District Transportation Commissioner Tom King will have two challengers in Tony Smith and Chad Toney.

State House District 120 representative Richard Bennett does not have a primary challenger or a Democratic challenger in the general election.

The general election will be held Nov. 5.

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Kiwanis Club of Long Beach is finally re-chartered



Howard Lock presents Deb Kurts with Honorary Membership

Photo By Fred Weller



President Jerry Olson and Governor Eva Abate

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By Fred Weller

Hurricane Katrina left the Kiwanis Club of Long Beach without a meeting place. The bell was the only thing saved from the clubhouse and members gravitated to the Kiwanis Club of Orange Grove. The Kiwanis effort of several years to rebuild the Long Beach Club was led by Howard Lock, who acknowledged the help from other local Kiwanis members in Long Beach, Pascagoula, Biloxi and Gulfport.

The recent re-chartering of the club took place at Reenie's Restaurant. Rogena Woods Mitchell, Kiwanis International Club Open-

ing Specialist, introduced Kiwanis officials Travis Moore, Division 14 Lieutenant Governor and Eva Abate, Governor, Kiwanis Club for Mississippi, Louisiana and Western Tennessee. Abate presented the Kiwanis Club of Long Beach Charter to Club President, Jerry Olson. Other Long Beach Officers present were Kathleen Kozlowski, President-Elect, Deb Kurts, Treasurer, and Howard Lock, Secretary. Board of Directors, Rebecca Scott

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.

and Barbara Olson. The program director was Barbara Olson.

Long Beach Mayor, George Bass, presented President Olson with a City of Long Beach Proclamation and said, "This recognizes the re-establishment of the Kiwanis Club of Long Beach as another action demonstrating Long Beach's revival from Katrina's destruction." The Mayor also said, "I am pleased to see such a large attendance."

Piper Leith sang "God Bless

America" and Reverend Ben Barlow gave the invocation.

In a show of support, President of the Biloxi Kiwanis, Larry Atkins presented President Olson a Kiwanis banner. A 25 Year pin was presented to Howard Lock and Deb Kurts was given an Honorary Membership.

Kiwanis International has assisted in eradication of tetanus in 46 countries and a District 14 project provided defibrillators to schools in the district and has saved seven lives.

Persons interested in joining and/or learning about Kiwanis can contact Howard Lock at: MRHE@cablone.net

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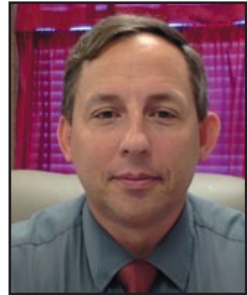
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Dan Pepper receives American Legion EOTY Award

By Andy Kanengiser

Dan Pepper says he has loved every minute teaching Long Beach High students.



Dan Pepper

Since the 2013-14 academic year, the Ohio native has done an excellent job in Long Beach classrooms. He's taught subjects like American government, Advanced Placement U.S. history, world geography and personal leadership.

Pepper's stellar performance educating Long Beach Bearcats is getting noticed. Retired as a Gunnery Sergeant after 22 years in the U.S. Marines, Pepper will be honored July 20 as the American Legion Educator of the Year for Mississippi.

The Long Beach resident will receive the honor at the American Legion/Mississippi convention in

Natchez.

On his Facebook page, Pepper thanked students, teachers, administrators, staff and family members for making this "huge honor" possible.

"My students push me to be my best and give 100 percent every single day because they deserve that and most of all want that," Pepper wrote as Independence Day neared.

He thanked his wife, Laura Pepper, and daughters, Alyssa and Rylie Pepper, for their support, as well. It's their sacrifice and understanding, he said, that helps make him successful.

A November 2012 graduate of American Military University, Dan Pepper started as a substitute teacher at Long Beach High and the city's Middle School, while earning his teaching degree.

He's getting recognized by a prominent U.S. organization cele-

brating its 100th anniversary.

The American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization.

The non-profit American Legion is committed to mentoring youth and sponsors programs enriching communities.

One of its premier programs remains American Legion Baseball. Another is Operation Comfort Veterans. The initiative supports recovering wounded warriors and family members.

The organization focuses on key issues impacting millions of U.S. veterans.

Immediately following graduation from Zanesville High in Ohio, Pepper enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was stationed in states like South Carolina, Virginia, Mississippi, California and North Carolina. With the Marines, he visited countries spanning the globe.



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Appetizers

Crab Cake 12
Ms. Reenie's House Made Blue Crab Cake with Creole Cream Sauce

Scallop and Shrimp Skewer 12
Diver Scallops and Gulf Shrimp grilled with Citrus Beurre Blanc

Butter Poached Royal Reds 12
Served with Drawn Garlic Butter

Sliders 10
Choice of Crab Cake, Fried Green Tomato BLT or Cheddar Burgers

Ceviche 12
Shrimp, Scallops and Gulf Fish with Citrus, Cilantro and Avocado

Truffle & Parmesan Fries 8
Hand cut Fries and a House Made Aioli

Chef's Select Hummus 10
Crudit , Kalamata Olives served with warm Pita Bread

Fried Green Tomatoes 12
Crispy Fried Tomatoes, Lump Crab Meat with Remoulade

Crab Au Gratin 12
Lump Crab Meat and House Cheese Blend baked golden, served with New Orleans French Bread

Bacon Wrapped Scallops 12
Served with Drawn Garlic Butter

Bruschetta 8
Topped with Tomatoes, Red Onions and Fresh Basil

Entrees

Grilled Gulf Fish MKT
Seasonal Gulf Fish, topped with Pineapple Chutney, served with Seasonal Vegetables and Saffron Rice

Praline Crusted MS Catfish 18
Topped with Meuniere Sauce and served with Bourbon Sweet Mash and Creamed Spinach

Fried Seafood Platter 18
Shrimp, MS Catfish and Oysters golden fried served with Hand cut Fries and Cole Slaw

Fried Shrimp Platter 15

Fried MS Catfish Platter 14

Fried Oyster Platter 16

Seafood Stuffed Flounder MKT Seasonal Availability
Grilled Flounder and House Seafood Stuffing with Jalapeno Hollandaise Sauce and Seasonal Vegetables

Crawfish Etouffee 16
Creole House Etouffee topped with Fried Crawfish Tails on a bed of rice served with House Jalapeno Corn Bread

Filet Mignon Petit 4oz 18 / 8oz 36
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Pork Chop 15
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Parrish Paloma 10
Monte Alban Mezcal, Grapefruit Juice, House Rosemary Simple Syrup and Sparkling Wine

Summer Day 10
Don Q Rum, Strawberry Puree, El Guapo Summer Berries Bitters, House Basil Simple Syrup and Fresh Lemon Juice

Fleur Tini 12
Bristow Gin, St. Germain Elderflower, El Guapo Cucumber Lavender Bitters, House Simple Syrup, and Fresh Lemon Juice

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Real estate investing can be profitable if done right

By Guest Columnist Mallory Savner,
Licensed realtor, Veterans Realty

Andrew Carnegie once said, “90% of all millionaires become so through owning real estate.”



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Mallory Savner

The fact is that we have a finite amount of time to actively work to accumulate wealth. In addition, the costs of goods have gone up considerably in the last 20 years — beyond what inflation accounts for — and wages have essentially remained the same (when taking inflation into account)*. This leaves many of us wondering how we could ever possibly get rich?

Cue, real estate investing. Americans have ranked real estate as the best investment for the sixth year in a row, effectively out-ranking stocks and mutual funds, CDs, bonds, and gold. Last year, investor activity reached an all-time high; but contrary to what you may think, smaller investors are responsible for this increase. Real estate can be a great source of passive income and when

done correctly, it can produce big returns and increase your net worth. And it may be an easier goal to attain than you may think.

There are several different ways you can make money in real estate investing, but these two are the most common: appreciation and cash flow income.

One strategy is to make money through appreciation of property. Appreciation occurs when the property increases in value. The increase in value can be realized by buying a home to remodel and flip for a profit or by simply holding onto property to sell at a later date and take advantage of increasing prices in the market.

The second strategy is cash flow income. The idea is to buy property and operate it to collect cash flow (i.e., rent). This can be done through the renting of commercial buildings or residential

homes. Both are great sources of income and realize great returns when calculated correctly.

Smart investing involves careful consideration and decision making. The return on your investment must be greater than the



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risk you take, the taxes, and costs of ownership (insurance, maintenance, etc.). While investing in real estate is simple, that doesn't mean it is

easy. You will need a favorable market, organizational skills, and the capital to invest.

Three factors to consider when investing: location, cost, and profitability.

As the old adage goes, “location, location, location.” Evaluating market conditions is a huge part of determining your profitability to ensure you are making a smart investment. Different investors have different goals,

and you will need to determine your goals; however, all investors have one similar goal in mind: making a profit.

The Coast has seen a big uptick in value, which is good news for investors. Costs of ownership is not just what you pay for the property, but also the money you put into it, taxes that must be paid, insurance, maintenance, et cetera. You also need to determine how you will pay for it. Cash is not always better. Sometimes it makes sense to get a mortgage. You have to weigh the options on that. Lastly, you will need to carefully consider the profitability of a specific property. This is where you will put pen to paper to crunch the numbers and put everything into perspective to determine if it makes sense. You want to be sure that the return is worth the risk — whatever that means for you.

Ultimately, surrounding yourself with a good team will work to your advantage in real estate investing. Leverage the resources available to you with knowledgeable experts- an accountant, real estate agent, and attorney - who can guide you through the process.

*Information gleaned from *Forbes*, September 2018

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Southern Bagel Company attracts fans to Long Beach restaurant

By Andy Kanengiser

Bagels with names like “The Elvis Special” and “The Jersey” join “The Mississippi” on the menu at a new Long Beach eatery. “A Southern Bagel Company” is attracting a steady flow of customers, whether University of Southern Mississippi nursing students, transplanted Yankees or other Gulf Coast residents with taste buds.

So far, the business at 19019 Pineville Road has a niche audience of customers. In operation about six months, the 285-square-foot building was showcased at a June 24 ribbon-cutting. Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce officials joined the owners, patrons and the Long Beach community for the special occasion.

“I love the sesame bagels with lox – they are delish,” says customer Kathy Cadorette. “It takes me back to where I grew up in Westchester County, New York,” adds the Long Beach resident. “The owners are super nice.”

Southern Bagel Shop owners Anne and David Guille are delighted to promote their eatery. The ribbon-cutting ended, then it was quickly back serving customers with a soft spot for fresh bagels. The couple appeared on WLOX-TV in Biloxi July 1 to put their venture.

A 38-year-old native of Long Island, New York, David grew up in the Empire State, the “bagel mecca,” his wife, Anne points out.

Just being in sniffing distance of the aroma of hot bagels in greater NYC got the couple to think about the idea of bringing this Yankee delicacy down South.

Anne and David did a whale of a business last fall selling bagels at the Farmers Market in Long Beach. It took just 30 minutes



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to an hour for every bagel to get snapped up. So why not pour dough (pun intended) into a bagel shop and see what happens?

The potential market looked enticing because bagel shops are seldom part of South Mississippi’s landscape.

The Mom & Pop shop is catching on. Many customers are retirees along the Gulf Coast, including natives of New York, Connecticut, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, all bagel hotspots.

The Harrison County couple put a Southern twist on their menu. Costing \$4, “The Florida” consists of a sesame bagel, cream cheese, cucumber, tomato, plus salt and pepper. For \$3.50, customers get “The Louisiana,” a cranberry bagel, with strawberry cream cheese and strawberry slices. Try “The Alabama” for the same price, and taste a cinnamon raisin bagel packed with cream cheese and apple butter.

Fans of the King of Rock n Roll from Tupelo should try “The Elvis Special” (it costs \$3.50) with any type of bagel along with peanut

butter, bananas and honey.

Near downtown Long Beach, Southern Bagel Company stays open for breakfast and lunch. Hours Sunday are 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. From Monday to Wednesday, hours are 6 a.m. until 2 p.m.

A 2002 Long Beach High grad, Anne knew little about bagels when the Biloxi native left the Gulf Coast to serve in the U.S. Army. David and Anne met at her Army outpost in Hawaii while he attended college. A Hawaii Pacific University grad, he married Anne, a William Carey University alumna, and shared his bagel expertise.

After life in Hawaii, the couple moved to Tacoma, Washington, and finally Long Beach after Anne completed her nine-year military service. The Mississippian came home to start a family. Today, Anne is proud of the pecan bagel she practically invented and the couple’s small business catering to Gulf Coast bagel lovers.

For more information, follow the business on Facebook at @asouthernbagelco or call 228-363-4461.


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Students to be immunized

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While it seems that the summer has weeks left, the Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) reminds parents not to wait until the last minute for back-to-school immunizations. Mississippi state law requires children to be immunized against childhood diseases to enter public or private school, Head Start or daycare.

More than 99 percent of all students entering kindergarten in Mississippi are up to date on their immunizations, protecting them – and others who cannot be vaccinated – against potentially deadly diseases.

“There are many options for where to get your vaccinations now, including private medical providers, retail pharmacies and county health departments,” said MSDH State Epidemiologist Dr. Paul Byers. “Regardless of where you have your child vaccinated, it’s incredibly important to make sure they are up to date on their immunizations. It is the best protection for your child and those

around them.”

There are required vaccinations for first-time school entry in Mississippi as well as a requirement for 7th grade entry.

“A Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) booster vaccination is required for those entering seventh grade. To make sure your adolescent is completely protected, we also recommend they get the HPV (human papillomavirus) and meningococcal vaccinations at the same time,” said Dr. Byers.

Parents must provide the school with a Certificate of Immunization Compliance (Form 121) from their immunization provider prior to school entry.

Parents are encouraged to check with their physician or county health department if they have questions about which immunizations their child will need. Childhood immunizations are available at county health departments by appointment.

For more information on immunization requirements or medical exemptions for school entry, visit www.msdh.ms.gov.



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Several projects ongoing, projected in Long Beach



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The Gateway Project is still in the planning stages, but the hope is to soon have more specific details on the work that would be scheduled, as well as how it would be financed.

City officials are also looking at transforming Beatline Road into a four-lane corridor that would stretch from Interstate 10 to High-

way 90. The project would be an extra Hurricane evacuation route and promote economic development, according to Levens.

Funding for the new corridor has not been established, but Levens said the project would be done in phases.

"We're hoping we could start some phases soon," said Levens.

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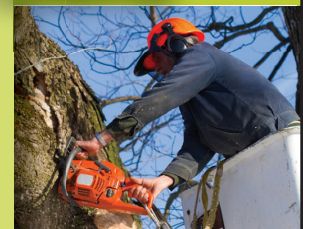
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Long Beach Public Library hosting Harry Potter Day

By Guest Columnist Renee Rayburn, LBPL Children's Librarian

If you enter Long Beach Public Library on Wednesday, July 31 and it feels as though you have stepped into the world of famous fictional character, Harry Potter ... you just might have. We will be hosting a Harry Potter Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be plenty of photo opportunities throughout the library, craft areas, and fun for all who attend. A complete list of events will be posted on the website and Facebook page soon, so be watching for it!

We would like to thank all the coastal businesses, clubs, organizations, parents, grandparents, and teachers for their support during the summer reading program this year. This summer went by so quickly, and wheth-

er you were donating your time, providing supplies for programs, contributing to the trinket box, collecting boxes for the art program, providing food or gift certificates to your restaurants, presenting programs, or helping out by cleaning up afterwards ... we are grateful for all that you do to support your library. We thank you.

Next month, we will have news about upcoming meetings for the Friends of the Long Beach Public Library and the Long Beach Library's Book club.

The Library's Board of Trustees Public Meeting was changed to July 23rd at 4 p.m. of this month.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Renee Rayburn is the Director of Youth and Technology Services for the Long Beach Public Library.

Long Beach High School to launch BBN in 2019-20

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The Bearcat Broadcast Network, a collaboration of student and faculty/staff involvement, will begin programming for the 2019-2020 school year. The BBN programming includes video interviews with coaches, staff and fellow students on events happening throughout the Long Beach School District.

Volunteer students will highlight their skills and talents through program development and production. A coaches'

show will be the first endeavor and will be broadcast through the school district's social media platforms and website.

Programming details and scheduling for broadcasts are still being planned at this time.

"We are so fortunate to have such great students and faculty at Long Beach Schools," said Kenny Triplett, LBSD Social Media Specialist. "Everything from academics to athletics, band and more, we want to highlight them all for everyone to see."

AUGUST LIBRARY EVENTS

Harry Potter Day
July 31, 10:00 am - 4:00 p.m.

Parent's Coffee Break
August 6, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Preschool Story Time
Every Tuesday and Thursday 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Library Closed – Labor Day
August 31 though September 2

Long Beach Garden Club presents library program

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The "king" of butterflies, the Monarch, was one of the informative June programs offered to kids at the Long Beach Library Summer Reading Program.

The mysterious life cycle and the fall migration route of these majestic butterflies generated kid friendly discussions. The book *Monarch Butterfly* by Gail Gibbons was read to the children along with a firsthand

look at milkweed, the food source needed for Mon-



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archs to survive. The children left the program with creative butterfly art in hand and knowledge of how the Monarchs live.

The program was presented by the Long Beach Garden Club.



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NCBC Gulfport receives new executive officer

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U.S. Navy Cmdr. William R. Pitcairn, IV, took over as the new executive officer for Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport, June 27. He replaces U.S. Navy Cmdr. Ronald Jenkins, who retires later this year.



U.S. Navy Cmdr. William R. Pitcairn, IV

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The executive officer is second in command for this naval installation.

Before becoming the executive officer for NCBC Gulfport, Pitcairn served as the base's Public Works Officer for the Public Works Department (PWD) Gulfport beginning in May 2017. While there, he was responsible for providing all PWD products and services on \$1.2B plant replacement value, executing \$28M of Construction and Services and managing a \$14M operations and maintenance budget annually.

Pitcairn's previous assignments include working in the Public Works Department (PWD) at Naval Support Activity New Orleans from May 2003 to May 2005. He served as Maintenance Control Director, Facilities Services Contract Manager, and Shops Engineer. While in New Orleans, Pitcairn volunteered for an Individual Augmentee billet in Iraq from November 2004 to April 2005. Working under the Multi-National Security Transition Command - Iraq, he served as a project manager at Forward Operating Base Warrior in Kirkuk, Iraq.

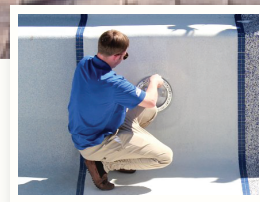
In June 2005, Pitcairn reported to the Facilities Engineering and Acquisition Division (FEAD) of

PWD Ventura County. He served as the Program Manager for the IDIQ contracts and Project Engineer for several multi-million dollar contracts.

In April 2007, Pitcairn reported to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion ELEVEN where he planned the recommissioning of the battalion, served as the Charlie Company Commander and Disaster Recovery Team Officer and deployed as the Officer in Charge for Detachment Romania in February 2009 to conduct HCA projects in support of Task Force East.

In August 2009, Pitcairn reported to the TWENTY-FIFTH Naval Construction Regiment and served as the SOUTHCOM Action Officer, coordinating NCF tasking with U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command/U.S. FOURTH Fleet. He coordinated Naval Construction Force participation in 15 exercises that included more than 100 projects, managed NCF tasking on Guantanamo Bay, and supported planning for Haiti earthquake response in Operation Unified Response.

In May 2012, Pitcairn reported to the University of Colorado and earned his Masters of Science in Mechanical Engineering with a focus on Energy and Environment. In May 2013, Pitcairn reported to PWD Kitsap to serve as the Production Officer, where he supervised over 300 shops personnel that provided utilities, facilities and transportation services. Then in June 2016 he was assigned as the Director of the Facilities Engineering and Acquisition Division of PWD Kitsap for the northern area of responsibility of Naval Base Kitsap and Naval Magazine Indian Island. He reported to NCBC Gulfport as the Public Works Department director after this assignment.



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Hospice needs volunteers to help provide special care

By Brenda Wilder

Canon Hospice provides in-home and in-patient hospice care to south Mississippi residents and is expanding their Volunteer Program to provide more services to patients, their families, and the community.



Gary Hand, Chaplain/Volunteer Coordinator for Canon, said volunteers provide assistance with patient services such as sitting, caregiver relief, in-patient visits, reading, and end of life companionship. He adds that additional volunteer activities can include helping with outreach programs such as Camp Swan (a 3-day therapeutic grief camp for children 7-12 years old), Celebration of Life (an annual time

of remembrance of loved ones who have passed), and individual and group grief support services.

"Volunteers are especially needed to provide visitor support at the in-patient facility on weekends and assist with fund raising for the Akula Founda-

tion, a non-profit that provides funding for the outreach programs and assists patients who may not have the resources for hospice care," said Hand.

Volunteers are encouraged to share their individual talents and abilities in music, art and other unique talents. For further information, contact Hand at 228-575-6251, email ghand@canonhospice.org or by visiting-canonhospicems.org.

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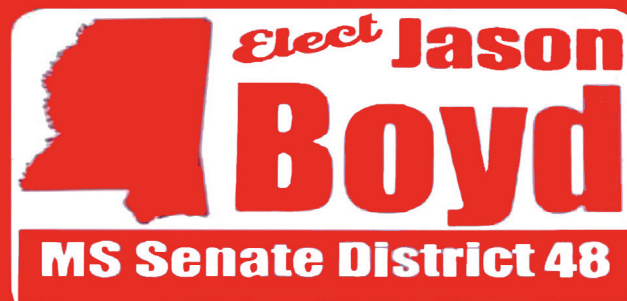


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Beach Dawgs snags customers on the LB Coast

By Andy Kanengiser

Beach Dawgs owners discovered their recipe for success: bring hot dogs to the people.

In business a few months, Kathy and Anthony Kuhn cater directly to Mississippi Gulf Coast crowds.

The Long Beach husband and wife team take their hot dog enterprise on the road to popular Gulf Coast events year-round.

They've worked Touch a Truck, Jeepin the Coast, and the Pride Fest in Biloxi. The couple is delighted to push their tasty hot dogs at the region's Equality Fest in the Fall. They cater as well.

Seldom does their mobile hot dog cart take a vacation. "When we are not working an event, we street vend Friday, Saturday and Sunday during lunch," Kathy Kuhn says. "We are a New York-style hot dog cart," she says.

Menus items include turkey and veggie dawgs. There's beef smoked sausage and turkey smoked sausage hot dogs for sale, too.

The Kuhns find joy in their new eatery, when not living and playing in Long Beach.

How did this partnership get started?

Kathy and Anthony Kuhn grew up in Westchester County, New York, about an hour's drive north of the skyscrapers of Manhattan. They dated in high school but didn't get back together until ten years ago.

Mississippi's Gulf Coast emerged as their destination once Anthony Kuhn retired after 21 years as a New York detective. The couple visited the Gulf Coast six years ago and discovered paradise.

"We loved the area, so we decided to move here after Anthony's retirement," Kathy Kuhn said.

But these days, many U.S. couples never retire. The Kuhns returned to work and promoted their Beach Dawgs to cater to the taste buds of a diverse group of customers. Military families, college students, art lovers, New Orleans Saints diehards, and



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Motorists along U.S. 90 on the Gulf Coast can easily spot the Beach Dawgs business.

Biloxi Shuckers fans are among their hot dog fans.

Expect to pay \$4 to \$5 for a smoked turkey sausage dawg (no beef or pork) and \$6 for their new Keilbasa Dawg.

Easy to spot around lunch time, motorists may see their cart and umbrella parked on vacant spots off U.S. 90, a short walk to the

beaches. They stayed open on Independence Day.

For more information, go to the Beach Dawgs page on Facebook. The business typically stays open from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. For more information, contact Kathy and Anthony Kuhn at 228-265-5699 or via email at: beachdawgsms@gmail.com

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Troop 321 completes hike on the Appalachian Trail

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Boy Scouts of America Troop 321 from Long Beach completed a 50-mile hike on the Appalachian Trail in Georgia. The troop worked hard at preparing to go hiking in the Appalachian Mountains by taking hikes closer to home. Local hikes in Mississippi have included hikes on the Tuxachanie Trail, Little Black Creek Trail and the Richardson Creek Trail in the Homochitto National Forest.

According to Troop 321 Scoutmaster Tommy Carroll, different techniques needed for such a tough hike have been developed over time, such as inclement weather hiking on the Vicksburg National Battlefield Trail and Base Camp/Outpost Camping at the Clear Springs Campground. Techniques and gear needed for the trek have been developed over the last seven months of the troop's existence, such as backpacking meal preparation and water filtration for getting water while hiking on the trail.

"One of the biggest lessons



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BSA Troop 321 from Long Beach completes 50-mile hike on the Appalachian Trail. Pictured are the hikers and their logistical support group. On top row from left to right: Tommy Carroll, Scoutmaster, Chase Cockrell, Jake Smagur, Hayden Sonnier, Tristyn Capps. Middle row: Jamie Carroll, Committee Member, Addison Carroll, Justin Elliot, Austin Reeves, Doug Capps, Committee Chair, Colin Christensen. Bottom row: Ephraim Mills, Wordie Carroll, Assistant Scoutmaster, Marcia Rogers, Committee Member. Not pictured: Donnie Carroll, Adult Leader.

learned and still being learned by both the scouts and their leaders is learning what not to bring in order to keep down weight in the pack," Carroll said. "Each day on the trail brought new surprises from grand vistas to tunnels through what looked like tropical foliage."

Carroll said one day the troop encountered a black bear on the

trail that started with a stand-off before he kindly got up and walked away without incident. On another day, the troop hiked down the face of Amicalola Falls, the largest cascading waterfall east of the Mississippi. On yet another day the troop was hiking up steep stairs of logs and rocks and stones hewn out of the moun-

tain, hiking down a trail two-feet wide with a rock wall on one side and a steep cliff on the other to reach a summit with a grand vista over-looking the countryside.

In all, the scouts, ranging in age from 10 to 15 have accomplished an incredible feat and matured along the way, according to Carroll.

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