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Online map aids in locating pets

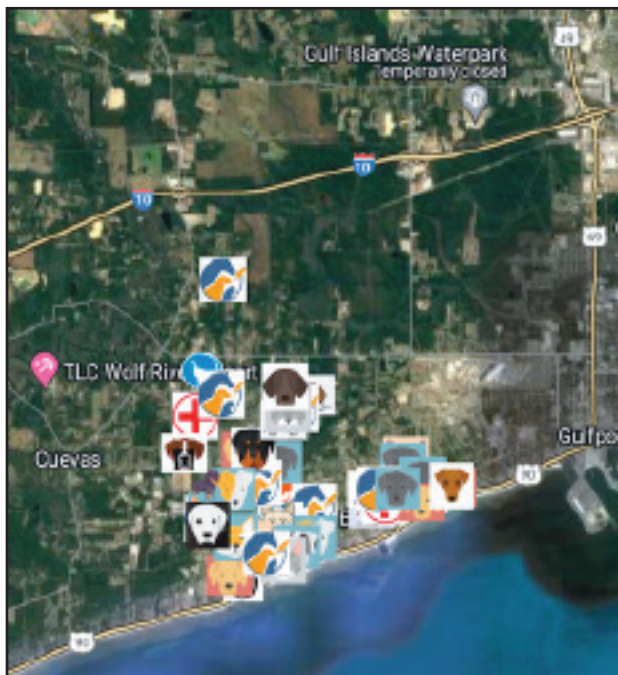
By Marilou Horton

Long Beach Animal Control Officer (ACO) Quentin Denney uses his extensive training in technology and biological sciences, along with his love for animals, to help residents reconnect with "man's best friend."

By combining Google Maps services and social media, ACO Denney has created a program that allows neighbors to learn about each other's pets and aids the Long Beach Police Department (LBPD) in reuniting animals and their owners in a timely manner. ACO Denney said there is a problem with animals wandering within the city, but it probably differs from how the public perceives it.

Long Beach doesn't so much have an issue with discarding unwanted pets onto the streets, and it is not the case that people purposely open their doors and let their animals roam and run.

"It's just that we have a big popu-



Using a map created by LBPD's Quentin Denney, residents can assist in locating missing pets in Long Beach. The tool is posted on the department's social media site and other Facebook pages associated with the City.



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New LBPD Animal Control Officer Quentin Denney

lation of animals, and they tend to simply get out. They go through fencing holes or hurry out the door when no one is looking. They get excited and flee when we have thunderstorms or events with loud noises like

fireworks going off," the new Animal Control Officer explained.

Using Facebook as a tool, Animal Control can make posts letting residents know which loose animals are spotted in a particular area.

"People say, 'Oh, that's my dog. I'll come to get it.' Our residents should know that we don't charge a fee for the pickup of their animals," said Denney. "They just come and pick up their pet from our animal care facility. At the time of being reunited, we ask if they want to be included on the Resident Pet Map."

Pet owners are asked to contact the Animal Control Officer and provide a photo and a brief description of their pet.

The custom map link will open a view that shows the entire city and the included animals' addresses and photos in a searchable format. Using the map, ACO Denney, the LBPD officers or residents with access can type in an

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Long Beach revs up for Blessing of the Jeeps

By Toni Miles

Jeep owners are known for their off-roading, but they also know a blessing can go a long way. This is just one of the reasons why Jeepers throughout South Mississippi will be lining up for Blessing of the Jeeps on Saturday, April 15, from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Long Beach.

Blessing of the Jeeps offers owners a blessing from a priest, which is meant to ensure a safe riding season for each Jeeper and their passengers. The priest will say a blessing over all Jeeps. Once the blessing is said, the Jeeps will then pass in front of the priest, where he will distribute Holy Water

upon the Jeeps and Jeepers.

The blessing is performed in April to kick off the Jeeping season for the year. There is also a pre-celebration and after-party planned, along with the Blessing.

The Blessing of the Jeeps event now operates under the umbrella of the Batman LBMS Animal Rescue Foundation, a not-for-profit entity. All money raised through registration fees, T-shirt sales, sponsorships and raffles is split fifty-fifty between Batman LBMS Animal Rescue Foundation and the St. Thomas LifeTeen Youth Group.

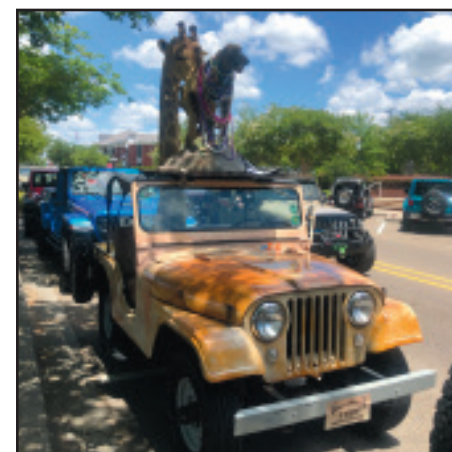
Registration is \$15 per Jeep. The last day to pre-register and order event T-shirts is March 31. For more information about pre-registration for the

event or to order a Blessing of the Jeeps T-shirt, visit the event's Facebook page, Blessing of the Jeeps – MS. St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church is located at 720 Beach Blvd East.



Toni Miles

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A number of Jeepers who take part in the Coast's annual Jeepin the Coast events are expected to turn out for the April 15 Blessing of the Jeeps at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Long Beach.



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Long Beach police and K-9 team up to provide community safety tips



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Long Beach Police Officer Travis Gossett (left), K-9 Jack and Long Beach Police Captain Kenny Lassabe (right) share community safety tips.



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Long Beach Police Officer Travis Gossett and K-9 Jack at the O.A.K.S. meeting at First United Methodist Church of Long Beach.

By Toni Miles

Community safety was the focus of a recent gathering at First United Methodist Church in Long Beach.

Long Beach Police Captain Kenny Lassabe and Officer Travis Gossett were the featured speakers at a recent meeting for the Older Adult Kindred Spirits (O.A.K.S.) meeting. K-9 Jack also made a special appearance, as the two officers shared their knowledge,

tools, experience and skills with those in attendance to help keep the community safe.

The Long Beach Police Department works year-round at numerous community events to share safety tips and raise awareness.

The Long Beach Police Department is also looking to hire new police officers. Applications are available at the station at 201 Alexander Road or at City Hall at 201 Jeff Davis Avenue.



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A sizable crowd turned out for the O.A.K.S. community safety meeting at First United Methodist Church of Long Beach.



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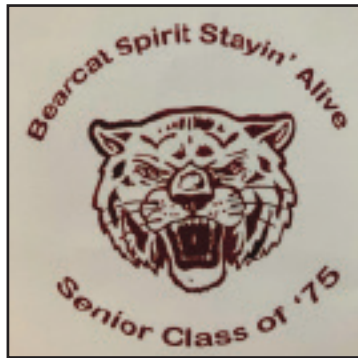
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Long Beach High Class of 1975 plans reunion



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The Long Beach High School Class of 1975 will hold its 48-year class reunion on June 2 and June 3. A Friday night social (location to be announced) will be held at 7 p.m., and the Saturday night beach party will be at the Long Beach Harbor Pavilion from 6 until 10 p.m.

All classmates from 1975 are invited.

Cost is \$25 per person until May 1, and \$30 per person after the May 1 deadline. Registration will include food, non-alcoholic beverages and music.

For more information and the registration form, contact LBHSClassof1975@gmail.com, or visit "LBHS MS Class of 1975" on Facebook.

Science Café, book sale upcoming at library

By Guest Columnist Renee Rayburn, LBPL Youth and Technology Services

Don't forget that Long Beach Public Library will be hosting a Science Café event in late March. It will be held at the City Hall at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 29, and the program will be on geo-mapping. It is open to the public and free of charge.

Having the book sale available to the public seems to be a success! We are going to continue to do so in April. Remember, it is open only on Saturdays beginning at 9 a.m. Prices will be ten cents each for magazines, twenty-five cents each for paperbacks, and fifty cents each for hardbacks, audiobooks and movies.

The Long Beach Board of Trustees will hold a meeting at 3:15 p.m. on Tuesday, April 11, at the library. It is open to the public to attend. However, the Friends of the Long Beach Public Library does not have a meeting scheduled in April.

Preschool story time will continue through April on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. in the children's wing. For a current schedule of events, visit the library's website.

Many have already inquired about Summer Reading this year. We are just about finished with the schedule, and registration for programs will begin on May 1. You can register online from our website, just like we did last year.

The library will be closed from Saturday, April 22, through Monday, April 24, for a State holiday.

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Residents take to the streets to save trees

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By Toni Miles

The drive to save live oak trees situated on the corner of 4th Street and Jeff Davis Avenue continues.

On Saturday, March 4, those in favor of saving two aged oak trees perched at the site of a proposed boutique hotel development at the corner of 4th Street and Jeff Davis Avenue in downtown Long Beach took to the streets to collect more signatures for a petition to save the trees, both of which are estimated to be more than a century old.

As of press time, nearly 2,000 signatures had been obtained for the petition.

The potential removal of the trees has been a flash point in Long Beach, with hundreds of residents in support of saving the trees showing up in standing-room-only crowds during the last several meetings of the Long Beach Board of Aldermen.

At press time mid-month, the fate of the trees was still in limbo, as no official decisions have yet to be made public.



Harrell and Jackie Broome support saving the live oak trees on Jeff Davis Avenue.



Long Beach residents Ashley Daye and Robin Miles support saving the pictured oak trees.



Long Beach residents discuss the petition to save Jeff Davis Avenue oak trees from hotel developers.



Petitioners have been showing up in droves at Long Beach Board of Aldermen meetings.

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Trees planted at library for Arbor Day

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The Long Beach Garden Club and the Long Beach Tree Board sponsored an Arbor Day tree planting at the Long Beach Library on Jeff Davis Avenue. Among those participating in the ceremony were Long Beach Garden Club President Michele Milliet, Mayor George Bass, City Tree Board representatives Kim Lentz and Ginger Wentz, and Garden Club member Deborah Caldwell.



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State's largest food box packing party set for March 30

By Toni Miles

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As the final stretch for this year's March of the Mayors food drive comes to a close, locals are invited to gather for what's been dubbed "Mississippi's largest food box packing party."

The annual March of the Mayors food drive is hosted each year by non-profit Extra Table, and mayors across the state rally their city's residents, businesses and organizations to donate assigned non-perishable food items. This year, Long Beach was asked to collect cans of green beans, and Pass Christian was gathering canned corn.

The mission of Extra Table's annual March of the Mayors food drive is to provide food pantries across the state with food for those who need it most.

Those who wish to volunteer to help pack food boxes are asked to assemble on Thursday, March 30, at 9:30 a.m. at the Lyman Community Center, which is located at 13742 Highway 90 in Gulfport. Packed boxes will be distributed to food pantries across the Gulf Coast. As of press time, a bill is making its way through the Mississippi Legislature that would grant tax credits to businesses that contribute to non-profit food banks, like Extra Table.



Just like last year, hundreds of volunteers will be on hand to organize and distribute collected canned goods on March 30 at Extra Table's Food Box Packing Party at the Lyman Community Center in north Gulfport. As of press time, a bill is making its way through the Mississippi legislature that would grant tax credits to businesses who contribute to non-profit food banks, such as Extra Table.




Donations for this year's food drive in Long Beach and Pass Christian were collected from drop off points after the March 24 deadline and will be distributed at a Box Packing Party on March 30.

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Mississippi Sea Wolves draw huge crowd at Long Beach Meet & Greet

By Toni Miles

All photos by Toni Miles

The Mississippi Sea Wolves 2022-2023 hockey season is in full swing, and members of the team have proven they can draw quite the crowd off the ice, too.

More than two hundred people turned out for a Meet & Greet with the hockey team at Coastal Daiquiri Bar & Grill in Long Beach in early March.

Young and old alike lined up for autographs and pictures with members of the hockey team and mascot Hook. There were plenty of fist bumps and food and drinks to go around, too.

The Mississippi Sea Wolves is a professional hockey team and a member of the Federal Prospects Hockey League (FPHL). The Sea Wolves team has several more games lined up for this year, with the last scheduled game of the season set for April 8. All home games are played at the Coast Coliseum in Biloxi.

For more information, visit www.MississippiSeaWolves.com.



Mascot Hook poses with members of the Mississippi Sea Wolves hockey team.



Long Beach Alderman-at-Large Donald Frazer, along with his wife Lisa and daughters Marley and Erin, join friends to have a photo taken with Hook.



Keith and Elsie Starita pose alongside Hook.



Hook fist bumps one of the employees at Coastal Daiquiri Bar & Grill at the March Meet & Greet.



Joe Pace, CEO and Director of Hockey Operations for the Sea Wolves, poses alongside Hook and Danielle Lashbrook at the event.



Hook takes a seat at during the Mississippi Sea Wolves' Meet & Greet.

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Kevin Hunt hired as head of LBHS boys basketball program



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The Long Beach High School Bearcats basketball team has a new head coach, as the Long Beach School District (LBSD) Board of Trustees recently voted to hire Kevin Hunt to fill the Bearcats Head Coaching position.

LBSD Athletic Director Shane Rutledge says he is eager to work with Coach Hunt.

“The Long Beach School District has concluded its coaching search, and it was quite an exciting process,” Rutledge said. “We had interest from many terrific basketball coaches. I am looking forward to working with our new head coach, Mr. Kevin Hunt. Coach Hunt possesses a wealth of experience from leading programs in Louisiana, as well as his home state of Arkansas. We know Coach will set high expectations for his players and accept no less than their best effort on and off the court.”

When asked about his goals for the Bearcats, Hunt said he wants to build the program. He feels it is important to not just have a strong team, but to build a strong program.

“My ultimate goal would be to win a state title,” said Hunt. “But, more importantly, to build a consistent, strong, self-sustaining program which would run from elementary students through high school.”

LBSD Superintendent Dr. Talia Lock says she is happy to have Hunt join the Bearcat family in Long Beach.

“I’m looking forward to watching our Bearcat boys basketball program continue to flourish with Coach Hunt’s leadership after this year’s successful growth,” Lock said.

Hunt is a graduate of Henderson State University. Throughout his more than eighteen-year coaching career, Hunt has earned numerous honors and taken his teams to state playoffs and championships.



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All-star line-up ready for Buddy Ball baseball's 2023 spring season

All photos by Toni Miles

By Toni Miles

On Wednesday, March 15, more than one hundred forty players took to the baseball fields at the Gulfport Sportsplex to open the fourteenth year of Buddy Ball baseball on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. This year's spring season has grown to record participation, and leaders with the non-profit host, Mississippi Gulf Coast Buddy Sports, say they are excited about what's to come.

"After initially starting Buddy Ball in 2010 with twenty players and a handful of volunteers, we have grown to having one hundred forty players and over one hundred volunteers participating with us each spring," said Mike Crawford, founder and executive director of Mississippi Gulf Coast Buddy Sports. "We played for nine years on one field in Long Beach before expanding to play on two fields at the Gulfport Sportsplex."

Volunteers and droves of fans, including the Long Beach High School dance team and Hook, the mascot for the Mississippi Sea Wolves, were on the sidelines to cheer players on opening night. The oldest group of adult players took to the field for the first game that afternoon at 5 p.m., followed by opening ceremonies for all of the league's players, along with the regularly-scheduled 6 p.m. games for Buddy Baseball's youngest players and then young adults.

A lot of effort went into the league's pre-game warm up as family, friends and participants lined up



Liz Digby and sons Grayson (back) and Parker (front) made a family trip out to the Gulfport Sportsplex in early March to pick up Parker's jersey for the 2023 Buddy Ball baseball season.



Volunteers Charlie Smith (left) and Jennifer Mink (right) hand out Buddy Ball T-shirts.

at the Gulfport Sportsplex on March 9 to pick up jerseys for this year's players. Training was also held for Buddy Ball coaches and volunteers, who were also given league T-shirts.

Crawford says the Sportsplex is ideal for Buddy Ball baseball games and players.

"The synthetic turf fields we play on allows individuals that use wheelchairs and walkers an easier surface to move around on, and the fields dry out quickly in the event of rain," Crawford said.

The spring season of Buddy Ball baseball has only just begun. Games will run through the month of May, as outlined by Crawford.

"We play one game with our older adults [on these dates] at 5 p.m.," Crawford said. "Then we play two games with our youngest players at 6 p.m., and one game with our young adults at 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights. We have an eight-game season."

The remainder of this season's games will take place on March 29, on April 5, 19 and 26, and May 3 and 10.

There are two Buddy Ball baseball seasons annually on the Gulf Coast, held in the spring and fall, thanks to the efforts of Mississippi Gulf Coast Buddy Sports, a non-profit public charity organization that provides recreational sports and leisure opportunities for youth and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and other special needs.

For more information about Gulf Coast Buddy Sports, visit MSGulfCoastBuddySports.org or their Facebook page.



The Gulfport Sportsplex was packed as this year's Buddy Ball baseball players turned out to pick up their jerseys in time for the March 15 opening ceremony and 2023 baseball season.

Friendship Oak Chapter celebrates 40 years



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The Friendship Oak Chapter of the National Daughters of the American Revolution in Long Beach recently celebrated its 40th anniversary.

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The Friendship Oak Chapter of the National Daughters of the American Revolution in Long Beach will turn 40 on March 31, 2023. On that date in 1983, Mrs. William Sanders, State Regent of Mississippi, administered the oath of office to Mrs.

John C. Elkins, Organizing Regent, as thirteen members gathered under the over-500-year-old Friendship Oak Tree located on the Gulf Park campus of the University of Southern Mississippi.

A 40th Anniversary Celebration was held by the Chapter at their meeting on March 8 at the

Great Southern Club. The celebration included a luncheon with decorated cake for dessert, as well as a presentation created from the 1983-1984 Chapter yearbook and stories of the organization of the Chapter and of its namesake, The Friendship Oak tree, which is between five hundred and six hundred years old.

Commemorative favors of a leather bookmark were given to all who attended, and attendees were also given the opportunity to purchase a commemorative pin.

A placard underneath the Friendship Oak Tree states, "I am the Friendship Oak. Those who enter my shadow will remain friends through all their lifetimes."

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Kuntz enjoys Supreme Court visit



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Deena Kuntz of Long Beach (left) is pictured with Mississippi Supreme Court Presiding Justice Jim Kitchens in the Supreme Court En Banc Courtroom during a parent group's visit to the Supreme Court in Jackson. Parents visited the Mississippi Supreme Court while their children, who are Student Ambassadors, visited the Capitol.

LBHS students honored by Gulfport Exchange Club



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Pictured (l to r) are Long Beach School District Superintendent Dr. Talia Lock, Kaia Mann, LBSD Board Member and Exchange Club Representative Tom Carpenter, Jillian LaRosa, Kiley Valentine and Long Beach High School Principal Justin Sutton.

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Three Long Beach High School students were recently honored by the Gulfport Exchange Club.

Jillian LaRosa and Kaia Mann received Youth of the Month Awards, recognizing them as hard-working students who attain high levels of scholastic achievement, community involvement and leadership.

Kiley Valentine received the ACE (Accepting the Challenge of Excellence) Award, recognizing her as a student who has overcome great physical, emotional or social obstacles.



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animal's color, breed and size to find the home of that animal highlighted with a pin point on the city map. This also helps to view the location of sightings of animals roaming to link back to all the houses where that dog has lived or currently resides. This connection helps the police department notify the owner that their missing pet has been located.

ACO Denney added there is also a second map that only the police department can access.

"This version of the map flags pets who have shown aggression in the past or who have previously bitten someone," said Denney. "Included with the location on the map will be the bite letter issued and any home restrictions noted."

Long Beach is the only city on the Coast - and possibly in the state - Denney said, that has its own mechanism for maintaining, reuniting, rehoming and performing adoptions aside from the Humane Society.

The Long Beach Police Department runs LBPD Animals Needing Care and Adoption on Facebook. Their Dog Shed and Cat Shed can house fifteen cats and twelve dogs comfortably, are climate controlled, and staffed primarily by volunteers. The volunteers feed, walk, and water the animals; playtime occurs in a large fenced-in yard. When dogs are found within Long Beach, their information and photos are posted on social media to reunite them with their family. If they are not claimed within five days, vetting begins, and the dogs or cats are prepared for adoption. Vetting includes ensuring the animals are good with other pets, children, loud noises and car rides. They are also given their first round of shots and updated on other vaccines.

"We provide a pathway to create healthy, adjusted, adoptable animals within the city, and it's all free. We do not charge an adoption fee and keep records of all adoptions," said Denney.

ACO Denney stressed that their adoption is done separately from the Humane Society.

"If we take an animal to the Humane Society, it costs \$150 to turn it over to them to introduce that animal into their system. Last year, the City of Long Beach spent \$1,500 taking animals to the Humane Society."

The officer, replacing upcoming retiree Kerry Hall, noted that the animal care facility always accepts donations. Those items on their wish list include dog and cat food, old rags for cleaning, paper towels, antibacterial cleaning supplies, used towels for bedding, and scoopable cat litter. Items can be dropped off at the LBPD or the drop box on Jeff Davis Avenue in front of the barbershop.

ACO Denney added that a fundraiser/supply collection drive for the LBPD Animal Control Division was held in mid-March. These events are usually scheduled to be held at least once a month at various local city locations.

For more information, call Denney at 228-863-7292.

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Bartlett honored by Parents' Campaign

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In her classroom, at a sporting event, at the Capitol or the grocery store - just about everywhere she goes, Carrie Bartlett is cheering on and standing up for Mississippi public school students. Bartlett, a nineteen-year teacher in the Long Beach School District and a long-time member of The Parents' Campaign, has been named The Parents' Campaign's Member of the Quarter.



Special to the Long Beach Breeze
Carrie Bartlett

The Parents' Campaign says Bartlett knows the importance of developing strong relationships with legislators and making sure they understand the impact of their actions on her classroom.

A U.S. History and Government teacher who is currently pursuing a

master's degree in political science, Bartlett is known for understanding the importance of being civically engaged and has supported the work of and been instrumental in expanding The Parents' Campaign's network along the Mississippi Gulf Coast, sharing the organization's information broadly and encouraging parents and educators to use their voices in support of children and public schools.

"Carrie knows that advocacy is key to the overall success of public education in Mississippi," says Holly Dean, Director of Member Services for The Parents' Campaign. "As a public school mom and teacher, she is a well-respected source of policy information for other parents and educators, and actively works to increase support of public education in her community."

Garden Club announces Beauty Spot of the Month



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Local writer's group forming

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Locals who have a story to tell or who enjoy writing for pleasure are invited to a new writer's group that will meet on the second Tuesday of each month at the Pass Christian Library.

Aspiring writers are welcome to share samples of personal memoirs, fictional works in progress, poetry, essays or the like for simple common enjoyment or feedback. Discussions and suggestions – not critiques – will be encouraged.

Anyone who is interested in writing is welcome to attend the free sessions. The group will meet at 11:30 a.m. on the second Tuesdays in the Pass Christian Library Media Room. The library is located at 111 Hiern Avenue. For additional information, call 228-452-4596.

PCHS grad selected for *National Geographic* scholarship

Special to The Pass Post

National Geographic has selected Alcorn State University journalism student and Pass Christian High School graduate Joy Thornton as one of its scholarship program recipients.

Thornton, a junior mass communications major, is one of seven students selected as *National Geographic* Content HBCU Media Scholarship Program recipients. Now in its second year, the program grants \$10,000 to qualified students interested in factual storytelling and filmmaking careers who attend Alcorn, Grambling State University, Howard University, Spelman College, Texas Southern University and Virginia State University.

Each recipient will participate in the *National Geographic* Media Scholars Immersive Experi-

ence Program, a two-week immersion program at *National Geographic* headquarters in Washington, D.C., from May 30 to June 7.

Thornton says she is proud of being selected for the program and earning an opportunity of this magnitude during her college journey.

"It honestly doesn't feel real yet," said Thornton. "I don't think it will hit me until I'm in D.C. this summer. But I am proud of myself for rising to the occasion, and I feel honored to represent Alcorn."

The recipients, who will receive an executive mentor for at least six months, will also learn about different lines of businesses, from traditional media to experiences that bring the *National Geographic* brand to consumers worldwide. Howard University

alumna Lauren Jackson, a senior line producer at *National Geographic* and

a Daytime EMMY-nominated media professional, will be Thornton's mentor.

Thornton anticipates shadowing Jackson, experiencing campus life at *National Geographic*, and exploring Washington, D.C. for the first time.

"I am most excited about visiting the *National Geographic* campus and seeing everything they offer. I am excited to meet my mentor, the executives, and the staff at *National Geographic*. I know they will immerse us in all things media, so I am excited to see their facilities. I have never been to Washington, D.C., so I am excited to see it for the first time."

The opportunity puts Thornton with other bright young journalism majors, which motivates her to enhance her current abilities while adding new tools to her skillset.

"I hope to sharpen my networking skills. I anticipate being surrounded by the best of the best, so I hope to make lasting connections. I know this program will open the door to many opportunities."



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Celtic Concert in the Courtyard set for April 16



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The 4th Annual Words and Music Community Culture Series, sponsored by the Friends of the Pass Christian Library, will kick off on Sunday, April 16, from 3 until 5 p.m., with a “Celtic Concert in the Courtyard” in the courtyard at the library.

The afternoon concert will feature the Paul Brock Band, billed as “high powered music from Ireland.” The band includes multi-instrumentalist Brenda Dowling; accordion and melodeon Paul Brock; two-time All-Ireland fiddle champion Jake James; and pianist, composer and arranger Denis Carey.

The band, who has appeared with acclaimed Irish band The Chieftains on multiple occasions and performed on the Grand Ole Opry, also collaborated with Grammy-award-winning Country artist Ricky Skaggs on their album *Green Grass, Blue Grass*, which celebrates the strong connection between traditional Appalachian and Irish music.

The concert is free, and everyone is welcome. Attendees are asked to bring their own lawn chairs or blankets, bug spray, fans, friends and family to the event. The library/City Hall Courtyard is located at 111 Hiern Avenue.

For more information, call the Pass Christian Public Library at 228-452-4596.

Email 101 and 102 offered at library

Special to The Pass Post

Pass Christian residents who are “scared” of their computers will have the opportunity to put their fears at ease on April 27, when the Pass Christian library offers two computer classes on email.

The library will have two sessions, Email 101 at 1 p.m., and Email 102 at 2:15 p.m., both in the library conference room.

Residents who don’t have an email account yet are welcome, as instructors will show participants how to set

up an account, manage files and send attachments. Instructors will help those who already have an email account make better use of it.

No experience is necessary, and the classes are free and open to the public. However, class size is limited, and reservations are recommended.

To reserve a spot or for further information, call the Pass Christian Public Library at 228-452-4596 or email PassChristianLibrary@gmail.com.

The Pass Christian Library is located at 111 Hiern Avenue.

Plant swap planned for April 13

Special to The Pass Post

Residents who have unneeded plants in their yards or gardens, who like to “pass along” plants and who would like to pick up some new plants for their yard are invited to a plant swap at the Pass Christian Public Library.

Set for Thursday, April 13, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., the swap al-

lows residents to bring a plant(s), cutting(s) or seeds to the library to trade for a new plant(s) brought by someone else.

The event, which will be held rain or shine, is free and open to the public. It will be held under the portico near the library, which is located at 111 Hiern Avenue.

For more information, call 228-452-4596.

Art Association offers watercolor workshop

The Pass Post

The Pass Christian Art Association will host a three-day watercolor workshop, “The Process and Pleasure of Watercolor” with Ed Martel, who served as the organization’s guest artist last November. The workshop is set for April 21-23 at the Gulfport Galleria of Fine Arts/Gulfport Arts Center. It will be held from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day and is limited to twelve students.

The workshop, which is



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Mississippi watercolorist Ed Martel

open to all skill levels, will include demonstrations as well as group and individual instruction.

Topics that will be discussed include equipment, controlling paint, the role of the artist, elements of design, working with color and value, what to paint and how, and other tips and techniques.

The cost of the workshop is \$200. To register or for more information, contact Vicki Lueb at 228-265-0083.

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