



## Best Bets!



### Fireworks extravaganza

Celebrating the county's independence is done with a bang in Biloxi. And this year there are three fireworks shows to celebrate the Fourth of July. The annual Back Bay fireworks presentation takes place Sunday, July 1 at 9 p.m. with viewing from locations near either IP Casino Resort Spa or Scarlet Pearl Casino, the co-sponsors of the event. Then on Tuesday, July 3 the Biloxi Shuckers host an Independence Day Fireworks Extravaganza at MGM Park after the Shuckers vs. BayBears game, and on Wednesday, July 4 the Biloxi's front beach fireworks display begins at 9 p.m.

### Watch fireworks from a schooner

Want to set sail on a new adventure? Well, climb aboard a Biloxi Schooner and sail the Mississippi Sound. The Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum offers charters on their two authentic Biloxi oyster schooner replicas, the Glenn L. Swetman and the Mike Sekul. In fact, you can watch the fireworks shows and the Blues Over Biloxi airshow aboard a schooner. Visit [www.maritimemuseum.org](http://www.maritimemuseum.org) or call 228-435-6320.



**Back Bay Annual Fireworks**, July 1, 9 p.m.; IP Casino Resort & Spa and Scarlet Pearl Casino Co-sponsored. Bring lawn chairs and blankets to watch from locations near either casino, on the top floor of the IP parking garage, and Scarlet Pearl's Back Bay Car Park.

**"Crooked Letter" Brass Band**, July 2, 6:30 p.m. Biloxi Lighthouse Pavilion, 1050 Beach Blvd. Free concert of the 41st Army Band. Details: 228-377-1179.

**Biloxi's Annual Fourth of July Fireworks**, July 4, 9 p.m.; Viewing from Biloxi Lighthouse eastward to the Biloxi Bay Bridge; Listen on Bob 105.9. Hosted by the City of Biloxi and the Boom Boom Committee. Details: 228-374-3105.

**First Friday Downtown Biloxi Art District (#artontherule)**, July 6, 5-8 p.m. Downtown Biloxi, Rue Magnolia Art District. Live entertainment, Classic Car night south of the Mardi Gras Museum, 119 Rue Magnolia. Shops and galleries stay open late and offer specials and refreshments. Details: 228-435-6339.

**Freedom Ball**, July 14, 4 p.m.: Golden Nugget, 151 Beach Blvd. Annual Crusaders for Veterans Ball with social hour from 5 to 6 p.m. followed by dinner and awards ceremony. Tickets available at [www.crusadersforveterans.com](http://www.crusadersforveterans.com). Details: 228-261-1937 or 573-253-0311.

**Biloxi Bulls**, July 28, 10 a.m.-11 p.m., Mississippi Coast Coliseum and Convention Center, 2350 Beach Blvd. American Bully Kennel Club dog show where dogs, kennels, rescues and vendors will be on display. Tickets: \$20 adults; Free for ages 12 and younger. Details: 501-253-5284.



**Breakfast with the Mayor**, July 18, 8 a.m. Hard Rock Live at Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, 777 Beach Blvd. Mayor Andrew "FoFo" Gilich will address a Biloxi Chamber of Commerce audience on what's happening now in Biloxi. Event is free and open to the public. Details: 228-604-0014.

**Living Life with Purpose**, July 29, 3-5 p.m. Biloxi Civic Center, 578 Howard Ave. Event held in support of autism awareness featuring T.C. Stallings and The Nelons. Tickets: Advance, \$30; At door, \$40. Details: 228-218-1687.

**Gulf Coast Big Rig Truck Show**, July 13 & 14, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center, 2350 Beach Blvd. Admission: \$10; Free for ages 12 and younger with adult ticket. Details: 985-630-9171 or 228-594-3700.

**3 Doors Down and Collective Soul with special guest Soul Asylum**, July 14, 7 p.m. Mississippi Coast Coliseum, 2350 Beach Blvd. Tickets start at \$22; Details: 594-3700.

**11th Annual Back Bay Croaker Classic**, July 14 & 15, Gollott's Fresh Catch Seafood Restaurant, 200 8th St. Suite B; Details: [www.croakerclassic.com](http://www.croakerclassic.com).

## A word about BNews Monthly

Welcome to the second issue of BNews Monthly. It's a compendium of things you should know about your city: status reports on current and pending public works, and a calendar of community events covering the next 30 days.

BNews Monthly is funded through revenue that previously had been used to produce a host of required annual city publications, including Storm & Flood Preparedness and the Annual Report on the Quality of Drinking Water.

**Advertising:** BNews Monthly represents an advertising opportunity for community-minded Biloxi businesses and organizations. In your hands you are holding the only advertising medium that is delivered to every single home, business, apartment and PO Box in the city. For advertising information, email [online@biloxi.ms.us](mailto:online@biloxi.ms.us) or call 228-435-6368.

**Calendar:** Biloxi Downtown Services is responsible for the Community Calendar, a compendium of events open to the public in Biloxi. Deadline for publication is the 10th of each month. Listing must include name of event, date, time, location, one- or two-sentence description, admission fee and public contact phone number or website address. Email to Kay Miller, downtown services manager, [kmiller@biloxi.ms.us](mailto:kmiller@biloxi.ms.us).

**Bmail:** The city provides a wealth of information about projects and events several times a week via email. To sign up for the free service, visit [biloxi.ms.us/register](http://biloxi.ms.us/register).

**B-Alert:** For text advisories on traffic and severe weather, text BILOXI to 888777.

**Website:** The city's website, at [biloxi.ms.us](http://biloxi.ms.us), is the comprehensive digest of city information. Find detailed information on major city projects and initiatives, including video, photographs and graphics. You'll also find schedules and agendas for all city public meetings, online bidding information and crime mapping, along with contact information for all departments.

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**Bike Biloxi**, July 17, 6 p.m., Biloxi Visitor Center, 1050 Beach Blvd. Free, fun-filled ride through downtown. Bike rental available through Zagster app or provide your own bike. Helmets and lights are recommended. Details:

228-435-6339, or [mainstreet@biloxi.ms.us](mailto:mainstreet@biloxi.ms.us).

**Cathedral of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary- 175th Anniversary Year**, July 19, 6 p.m., Nativity Cathedral Church, 870 Howard Ave. Stained Glass window presentation. Details: 228-374-1717.

**Blues Over Biloxi**, July 21-22, 9 a.m. gates open; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. performances. Free viewing at Harrah's Great Lawn, 280 Beach Blvd. U.S. Navy Blue Angels headline; world-famous performers; street vendors; food trucks. Large public hospitality chalets on the Great Lawn available for purchase. Details: 407-883-1628.

**Downtown Biloxi Community Market Festival**, July 26, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. under the I-110 at Howard and Hopkins. Themed Hot Summer Fun with Community Market vendors, entertainment by Amber Dawn, hourly giveaways, kids' waterslide, grilled hot dogs, and hamburgers, and cool snowballs from the Blizzard Wizard. Details: 228-435-6339.



### Biloxi Shuckers Baseball

105 Caillavet St., 800-745-3000 or 228-233-3465  
[www.milb.com/index.jsp?sid=t5015](http://www.milb.com/index.jsp?sid=t5015) • Tickets start at \$7

- Biloxi Shuckers vs. Mobile BayBears, June 28-3
- Biloxi Shuckers vs. Jackson Generals, July 8 -11
- Biloxi Shuckers vs. Tennessee Smokies, July 18-22



### Biloxi Little Theater

220 Lee St., 228-432-8543, [www.4blt.org](http://www.4blt.org)

- **The Whistler "Urge to Kill" ... and other amazing adventures:** July 6 & 7 – 7 p.m.

### Center Stage

2670 Rue Palafox, 228-388-6258, [centerstagebiloxi.com](http://centerstagebiloxi.com)

- **OKLAHOMA: Summer fundraiser**, July 19-29 – TBA

### Biloxi Lighthouse and Visitors Center

1050 Beach Blvd., 228-374-3105, [www.biloxi.ms.us](http://www.biloxi.ms.us)

Open daily, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



## Best Bet!

### Rodrigue's Blue Dog

One of the largest exhibitions in history to celebrate the Cajun folklore inspired artwork of the late Louisiana artist George Rodrigue is on display at Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art. The **Rodrigue's Blue Dog: Discovering Late Works on Canvas and Metal** features twenty-five contemporary and rarely seen works of art created during the last decade of the artist's life, as well as selections from the artist's repertoire.

Visit [www.georgeohr.org](http://www.georgeohr.org).



### Biloxi Mardi Gras Museum

119 Rue Magnolia, 228-435-6308, [www.biloxi.ms.us](http://www.biloxi.ms.us)  
Currently closed for renovations

### Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum

115 1st St., 228-435-6320, [www.maritimemuseum.org](http://www.maritimemuseum.org)

- **Rod Hedgecock** – Rustic old to rustic new; Through August 5
- **Sail aboard a schooner:** July 1, 6:30-9:30 p.m. & July 4, 7-9:30 p.m. to watch fireworks; July 21-22 – watch Blues Over Biloxi. Airshow viewing also available at the Schooner Pier. Complex-food and cocktails. Tickets available at the Museum.
- **Sea-n-Sail Adventure Camp** (Ages 6-12): July 9-13; 16-20; & 23-27; Register online

### Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art

386 Beach Blvd., 228-374-5547, [www.georgeohr.org](http://www.georgeohr.org)

- **Works from the Tougaloo College Art Collections**, 1963-1967, through August 11
- **Rodrigue's Blue Dog: Discovering Late Works on Canvas and Metal**, through August 18
- **Happy Birthday George Ohr**, Thursday, July 12, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. FREE Admission Day
- **Sushi Rolling Class with Fatsumo Sushi**, July 19, 6-9 p.m. \$50 all supplies included
- **In Flux: A Ceramics Workshop with Jason Wilson**, Saturday July 21, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., \$80 per student before July 16, \$95 per student after
- **Sew Your Mind with Suzanne D. Findeisen**, Saturday July 14, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., \$60 per student

Check the website for more events at OOMA!

### Biloxi Mardi Gras Museum

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### West End Hose Co. No. 3 Fire Museum

1046 Howard Ave., 435-6119/435-6200, [www.biloxi.ms.us](http://www.biloxi.ms.us)  
Historic 1937 fire house open Saturdays 9 a.m. 2 p.m. or by appointment.

### Fleur de Lis Society of Biloxi (French Club)

182 Howard Ave., 228-436-6472

- **Friday Night Dinners**, July 6, 13, 20, & 27, 6 p.m.
- **Saturday Night Dance**, July 14 & 21, 7- 11 p.m.; \$8 per person

## Lagniappe

### Charles R. Hegwood

#### Biloxi Community Market

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6 a.m.-4 p.m. under the I-110 overpass on the corner of Howard Avenue and Hopkins Boulevard. Details: Tina Cowart at 228-388-2443.

#### City of Biloxi Senior Program

Activities for ages 55 and older weekdays at the Donal M. Snyder Sr. Community Center and the East Biloxi Senior Citizen Center. Details: Gwen Johnson, 228-388-2494, [seniors@biloxi.ms.us](mailto:seniors@biloxi.ms.us).

#### Biloxi Libraries

- Biloxi Library, 580 Howard Ave., 228-436-3095
- Margaret Sherry Library, 2141 Popp's Ferry Road, 228-388-1633
- West Biloxi Library, 2047 Pass Road, 228-388-5696
- Woolmarket Library, 13034 Kayleigh Cove, 228-354-9464

For more information call the Harrison County Library System at 228-436-3095.










#### Biloxi Main Street

Promoting, preserving, revitalizing and enhancing the economic growth of the downtown Main Street district. Details and membership: 228-435-6339, [mainstreetbiloxi.com](http://mainstreetbiloxi.com)



#### City of Biloxi Public Meetings

- **Architectural Review Commission:** Regularly scheduled meetings: second and fourth Thursday of the month at 8:30 a.m.; Community Development, 676 MLK Blvd. Details: 228-435-6266.
- **Biloxi City Council:** Regularly scheduled meetings: first Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. and the third and fourth Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m.; City Hall, 140 Lameuse St. Details: 228-435-6257.
- **Biloxi Civil Service Commission:** Regularly schedule meetings: second Thursday of the month at 4 p.m.; City Hall, 140 Lameuse St. Details: 228-435-6259, Courtney Lamar
- **Biloxi Planning Commission:** Regularly scheduled meetings: first and third Thursday of the month at 2 p.m.; Community Development, 676 MLK Blvd. Details: 228-435-6266.
- **Development Review Committee:** Regularly scheduled meetings: Wednesdays at 9 a.m.; Community Development, 676 MLK Blvd. Details: 228-435-6266.
- **Tree Committee:** Regularly scheduled meetings: second Monday of each month at 4 p.m.; Gulf Coast Community Design Studio, 769 Howard Ave. Details: 228-435-6266.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> Sail a Schooner Schooner Pier Complex Back Bay Fireworks IP Casino Resort Spa Scarlet Pearl Casino   Shuckers vs. BayBears MGM Park	<b>2</b> Story Time Woolmarket Library   Shuckers vs. BayBears MGM Park	<b>3</b> Community Market  Story Time W. Biloxi   Shuckers vs. BayBears MGM Park	<b>4</b>  Biloxi's Annual Fourth of July Fireworks Annual Fireworks Biloxi Lighthouse to Biloxi Bay Bridge  Sail a Schooner Schooner Pier Complex	<b>5</b> Community Market  Story Time MSherry Library  Tompson Twins' Tom Bailey IP Casino Resort Spa	<b>6</b> First Friday Downtown Biloxi  The Whistler "Urge to Kill"... Biloxi Little Theatre  Culture Club IP Casino Resort Spa  Gary Allan Beau Rivage	<b>7</b> The Whistler "Urge to Kill"... Biloxi Little Theatre  Ultimate Queen Celebration Hard Rock
<b>8</b>   Shuckers vs. Generals MGM Park	<b>9</b> Story Time Woolmarket Library   Shuckers vs. Generals MGM Park	<b>10</b> Community Market  Story Time W. Biloxi   Shuckers vs. Generals MGM Park	<b>11</b>   Shuckers vs. Generals MGM Park	<b>12</b> Community Market  Story Time MSherry Library	<b>13</b> Gulf Coast Big Rig Truck Show MS Coast Coliseum  Eddie B IP Casino Resort Spa  Rachel Platten Beau Rivage	<b>14</b> Gulf Coast Big Rig Truck Show MS Coast Coliseum  Back Bay Croaker Classic Gollott's Fresh Catch Seafood Restaurant  3 Doors Down, Collective Soul MS Coast Coliseum  Eddie B IP Casino Resort Spa  Cedrick The Entertainer Hard Rock
<b>15</b>  Back Bay 'Croaker Classic Gollott's Fresh Catch Seafood Restaurant	<b>16</b> Story Time Woolmarket Library	<b>17</b> Community Market  Story Time W. Biloxi  Bike Biloxi Visitors Center	<b>18</b>   Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park	<b>19</b> Community Market  Story Time MSherry Library  Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary 175th Anniversary   Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park	<b>20</b> Vicki Lawrence & Mama, A Two Woman Show IP Casino Resort Spa  Wynonna Beau Rivage   Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park	<b>21</b> Blues Over Biloxi Harrah's Great Lawn  Sail a Schooner Schooner Pier Complex  Skid Row with Vixen Hard Rock  Atlas Fights 33 IP Casino Resort Spa   Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park
<b>22</b>  Blues Over Biloxi Harrah's Great Lawn  Sail a Schooner Schooner Pier Complex   Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park	<b>23</b> Story Time Woolmarket Library	<b>24</b> Community Market  Story Time W. Biloxi	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Community Market  Story Time MSherry Library   Festival	<b>27</b>  Isley Brothers Beau Rivage	<b>28</b>  Michael Grimm IP Casino Resort Spa  Great American Speakeasy Hard Rock
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Story Time Woolmarket Library	<b>31</b> Community Market  Story Time W. Biloxi	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Community Market  Story Time MSherry Library	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>