

Best Bets!



Shrimply the best

Satisfy your seafood cravings at the Coast's annual celebration, the Biloxi Seafood Festival. The two-day affair, hosted by the Biloxi Chamber of Commerce, will take place on the Biloxi Town Green on Saturday, Sept. 11 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 12 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Seafood will be the focal point of the event, of course, with a number of businesses serving an array of fresh dishes. There will also be a line up of live entertainment and myriad vendors. Admission is \$5 for adults and free for those ages 12 and younger. Details: 228-604-0014

Fresh fiesta

Crisp produce and freshly grown plants along with live entertainment will be the centerpiece of the Biloxi Community Market Festival on Thursday, Sept. 30 in Downtown Biloxi. The festival will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will accompany the bi-weekly market vendors under the I-110 overpass, at the corner of Howard Avenue and Hopkins Boulevard. Info and demonstrations booths, hourly giveaways and themed activities will also be part of the festivities. Admission is free. Details: 228-435-6339

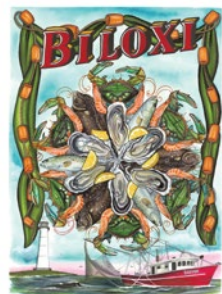
Biloxi Shuckers Baseball, MGM Park, 105 Caillavet St., Home games: Aug. 31-Sept. 5 vs. The Mississippi Braves; Sept. 14-19 vs. Tennessee Smokies. Tickets begin at \$7. Details: 228-233-3465, biloxishuckers.com

First Friday and Downtown Block Party at the District Green, Sept. 3, 9 p.m.-midnight, Howard Avenue & Rue Magnolia. Live music by Rhythm & Rain and Karate Kids, food trucks, vendors, beer from Fly Llama Brewing Company and music bingo returns. Free admission. Details: 228-435-6339

Summer Splash Bash, Sept. 3, 4-9 p.m., Margaritaville Resort, 165 Beach Blvd. Event includes a fireworks show at 9:15 p.m., live DJs, karaoke and public access to the pool. General admission \$20. Details: 228-271-6377

2021 Tunnel to Towers 5K Run & Climb, Sept. 11, 5 p.m., Margaritaville Resort, 165 Beach Blvd. The event, honoring the first responders whose lives were lost in 9/11, begins near the Ocean Springs harbor on Front Beach and finishes at Margaritaville where participants can climb 110 floors, symbolic of the 110 floors in the World Trade Center. Details: <https://dogood.t2t.org/event/2021-tunnel-to-towers-5k-run-and-climb-biloxi-ms/e341915>

40th Annual Biloxi Seafood Festival, Sept. 11, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sept. 12, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Biloxi Town Green, 710 Beach Blvd. Celebrate Biloxi's seafood heritage with live entertainment, arts and crafts, kid activities and seafood. Admission: Adults \$5, children 12 and under are free. Details: 228-604-0014



BILOXI SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

Gulf Coast Shrimp Tasting Festival, Sept. 11-12, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Point Cadet Plaza, 121 Cadet Street. Admission: \$7-\$35. Details: www.clearvisionent.net

Empire Fighting Championship MMA Event, Sept. 11, 6-11 p.m., Biloxi Civic Center, 578 Howard Ave. Details: Kristian Guirola, 228-369-2381

Best Bet!

Draw! It's Seafood Museum time

The Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum will conduct its 36th Annual \$10,000 Drawdown on Saturday, Sept. 18. The affair, the museum's major fundraiser of the year, will be at the museum, 115 1st St., and will begin with cocktails at 6 p.m., followed by a seafood-galore-and-more buffet at 7 p.m. The drawdown begins at 8 p.m. Also part of the event: live entertainment, an online silent auction with in-person bidding during the event, an open bar, and door prizes. Tickets are \$100 and admit two to the drawdown. Details: 228-435-6320



Adherence to CDC guidelines paramount.
All events subject to change.

Stay in touch

BNews: Welcome to the 40th 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.

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

Bmail: The city provides information about projects and events via email. Sign up at biloxi.ms.us/register.

Advertising: BNews and Bmail represent an advertising opportunity for civic-minded 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 rates and info, email online@biloxi.ms.us or call 228-435-6368.

B-Alert: For text advisories on traffic and severe weather, text BILOXI to 99411.

Website: The city's website, at biloxi.ms.us, is the comprehensive digest of city information. The website also has links to the city's Facebook and YouTube platforms.

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Frequently Called Numbers

Area code is 228 unless otherwise noted.

- Animal Control 392-0641
- Auto Tag/Property Tax Information 435-8242
- Birth Certificates 601-576-7960
- Building Permits 435-6270
- Business Licenses 435-6247
- Citizen services (streets, lights) 435-6271
- City Council 435-6257
- City Court 435-6125
- Code Enforcement 435-0841
- Drivers Licenses 396-7400
- Emergency Police and Fire 911
- Garbage Collection 701-9086
- Housing Authority 374-7771
- Human Resources 435-6259
- Mayor's Office 435-6254
- Museums Information 435-6244
- Parks & Recreation 388-7170
- Planning Commission 435-6266
- Public Schools 374-1810
- Streets and Drainage 435-6271
- Visitor Info 374-3105 or 1-800-BILOXI-3
- Water Service 435-6236

Main Street Book Club, Sept. 16; 5:30 p.m., Southern Bound Book Shop meeting room, 999 Howard Ave. September's selection, "The Marsh King's Daughter," and is available at Southern Bound Book Shop, located next door to Jacked Up Coffee Bar. Stop by the free meeting or call Biloxi Main Street for more information. Details: 228-435-6339

Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum 36th Annual \$10,000 Drawdown, Sept. 18, 6 p.m. Fundraiser with a silent auction, cocktails and a buffet. Bar opens at 6 p.m., buffet at 7 p.m., and drawdown at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$100 and admit two people. Silent auction will be online this year and can be found at www.event.gives/msimdrawdown21. Tickets and details: 228-435-6320

Biloxi Soccer League Registration, Sept. 18, 9 a.m.-noon, Donal M. Snyder Sr. Community Center, 2520 Pass Road. Registration is open to ages 4-7, must be 4 by July 31, 2021. Fees range from \$30 to \$75 for Biloxi residents and \$50 per child for non-Biloxi residents. Details: 228-388-2483

Upstairs Downstairs Reunion #2, Sept. 18, doors open at 7 p.m., Frank Gruich Center, 591 Howard Ave. Admission: \$25-\$500. Details: www.clearvisionent.net

Biloxi Sports Hall of Fame, Sept. 19, Biloxi Civic Center, 591 Howard Ave. Details: 228-388-7170

Mississippi Governor's Job Fair, Sept. 21, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Biloxi Civic Center, 591 Howard Ave. Free admission. Details: www.jobfairs.ms.gov/gulf-coast-military-civilian-job-fair

Bike Biloxi, Sept. 21; 6 p.m.; Downtown ride. Begins at the Biloxi Visitors Center, 1050 Beach Blvd., and ends with refreshments and food at a downtown restaurant at cyclists' expense. Helmets and lights recommended. Details: 228-435-6339

Mississippi ABLE Town Hall Meeting, Sept. 23, 5:30-6:30 p.m., MS Gulf Coast Community College Hospitality Management Center, Room C, 420 Debuys Road, Biloxi or virtually by Zoom. Learn more about ABLE, which allows qualified individuals with disabilities to save for eligible expenses, invest for the future and keep important benefits. Free admission. Details: MSABLEinfo@mdrs.ms.gov, 601-853-5240

Gallery 782 12th Anniversary Celebration, Sept. 25, 5:30-8 p.m., 773 Jackson St. Refreshments and raffle baskets valued over \$300 filled with art, jewelry and more. Tickets: \$10. Free admission. Details: 228-436-7782

Biloxi Community Market Festival, Sept. 30, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Howard Avenue and Hopkins Boulevard. Outdoor festival with market and specialty vendors, live music by Gram Rea, and prizes every 15 minutes. Free admission. Details: 228-435-6339

Life Line Preventative Screenings, Oct. 1, Donal M. Snyder Sr. Community Center, 2520 Pass Road. Five preventative health screenings to determine plaque build-up. Life Line Screenings can actually see inside arteries to determine risk factors. Each test costs \$70 or get all five for \$149. Details: 228-263-8350 or 330-224-1786



Biloxi Little Theatre

220 Lee St., 228-432-8543,
www.4blt.org
Welcome Back Gala, celebrating our
75th season, Sept. 18

Center Stage

2670 Rue Palafox, 228-388-6258
www.centerstagebiloxi.com
Gaston Hewes & Friends, Sept. 25;
7 p.m. Admission: \$15 per ticket

Beauvoir, The Jefferson Davis Home & Presidential Library

2244 Beach Blvd., 228-388-4400, www.visitbeauvoir.org

- **Faery Court Masquerade Ball**, Sept 12, costumed brunch and silent auction; Admission: \$45
- **Meet the Spirits**, Sept. 18, 6 p.m. until midnight. Visit website to purchase tickets
- **Annual Medieval Fantasy Festival**, Sept. 18-19, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Admission: \$10 adults, \$5 children
- **Beauvoir's Living History**, Sept. 18, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Admission: \$12.50 adults, \$7.50 children

Biloxi Lighthouse & Visitors Center

1050 Beach Blvd., 228-374-3105, www.biloxi.ms.us. Open daily, 8 a.m.- 5 p.m.

- **Lighthouse tours daily**, 9 to 10 a.m., weather permitting; \$5 for age 12 and older; \$2 for ages 6 to 11; free for age 5 and younger

Biloxi Schooner Pier

367 Beach Blvd., 228-435-6320, schooners@maritimemuseum.org

- Walk-on sunset sails: Admission: Adults \$30, children ages 3-12 \$15
- Group charters, up to 44 people also available

Biloxi Shrimping Trip

693 Beach Blvd., 228-392-8645, www.biloxishrimpingtrip.com

- Sunset cruises, fishing trips and three shrimping trips daily

Biloxi Tour Train

Biloxi Lighthouse Park parking lot, south of Biloxi Visitors Center, traffic light #40, 228-374-8687, www.biloxitourtrain.com

- Please call in advance to check tour availability.

Betsy Ann Riverboat Cruise

173 Beach Blvd., 228-229-4270, betsyannriverboat@gmail.com, www.betsyannriverboat.com

- Hibachi Dinner Cruises, Historical & Ecological Tour, Live Music Sunset Cruises, Sunset Eco Tours, Twisted Tiki Tour and private charters available

Coastal Mississippi Mardi Gras Museum

792 Howard Ave., 228-314-4747, museum@coastalmardigras.com

- Open 10 a.m.- 4 p.m., closed Sundays and Mondays

Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum

115 1st Street, 228-435-6320, www.maritimemuseum.org

- Annual \$10,000 Drawdown, Sept. 18, 6 p.m.

Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art

386 Beach Blvd., 228-374-5547, www.georgeohr.org

- Check the website for more events and studio classes at OOMA!
- OOMA After Hours, Sept. 16, 5-7 p.m.
- Yoga under the oaks – Sept. 21, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Ship Island Excursion

228-864-1014, www.msshipisland.com

- Ferry service to Ship Island, temporarily suspended
- Private charters available year-round
- Dolphin and Sunset Cruises available

West End Hose Co. No. 3 Fire Museum

1046 Howard Ave., 228-435-6119/228-435-6200, www.biloxi.ms.us

- Historic 1937 firehouse open Saturday 9 a.m.- 2 p.m., or by appointment

Biloxi Elks 606 Lodge of Biloxi

1178 Beach Blvd., 228-374-0606

- **Friday Bingo**, Sept. 3, 10, 17, & 24. Doors open at 5 p.m.; Early Bird games at 6:30 p.m., regular games at 7 p.m. Cash payouts and door prizes. Concessions available, open until 8:30 p.m.
- **Sunday Charity Bingo**: No Sunday Bingo for September.

Joppa Shrine

13280 Shriners Blvd., 228-392-9345

- **Steak Night**, Sept. 10; 6-8 p.m. Steak, potato, salad, dessert and beverage - \$17, dine in or carry out. Steak Nights support efforts at the Shriners Hospital for Children in Shreveport and our local patients. Details or advance orders: 228-392-9345
- **12th Annual Joppa Shrine BBQ and Sportsman's Giveaway**, Sept. 18, 10 a.m. -1 p.m. Dine in only. Tickets: \$20 available at the door or call 228-392-9345. Prizes: Academy Sports Gift Cards valued from \$200-\$700.
- **Ladies of Joppa Shrine Indoor Yard Sale**, Sept. 25, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Free admission.

Fleur de Lis Society of Biloxi (French Club)

182 Howard Ave., 228-436-6472

- **Seafood Dinners every Friday night in September**, 6-8 p.m. Karaoke with Kenny every Friday at 7p.m. Call for details.

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

871 Esters Blvd., 228-374-6472

- **Biloxi Bingo Mania**, Every Tuesday night behind Nativity Cathedral; Doors open 5:30 p.m.; Early bird begins at 6:30 p.m.; Regular games begin at 7 p.m. Proceeds benefit Nativity BVM Catholic Elementary School.

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

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



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 scheduled meetings: second Thursday of the month at 4 p.m.; City Hall, 140 Lameuse St. Details: 228-435-6259, Cortney 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.; Biloxi Community Development auditorium, 676 MLK Blvd. Details: 228-435-6266

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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5	6	7 Community Market	8	9 Community Market	10	11 Charlie Wilson Beau Rivage Shrimp Tasting Festival Point Cadet Plaza 40th Annual Biloxi Seafood Festival Biloxi Town Green Empire MMA Championship Biloxi Civic Center Tunnel to Towers 5K Run & Climb Margaritaville Resort
Shuckers vs. Braves MGM Park		Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral			Steak Night Joppa Shrine Friday Night Dinners with Karaoke Fleur de Lis Society Friday Bingo Biloxi Elks Lodge	
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19	20	21 Community Market	22	23 Community Market	24	25 Gaston Hewes & Friends Center Stage 12th Anniversary Gallery 782 Gulf Coast Soul & Comedy Fest MS Coast Coliseum
Biloxi Sports Hall of Fame Biloxi Civic Center Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park		Yoga Under the Oaks Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art Job Fair Biloxi Civic Center Bike Biloxi Biloxi Visitors Center Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral		MS ABLE Town Hall Meeting MGCCC Hospitality Management Center	Collective Soul IP Casino Nelly Beau Rivage Friday Night Dinners with Karaoke Fleur de Lis Society Friday Bingo Biloxi Elks Lodge	
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