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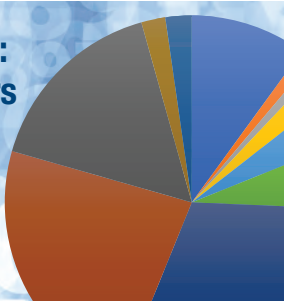
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A compendium of what's happening in Biloxi

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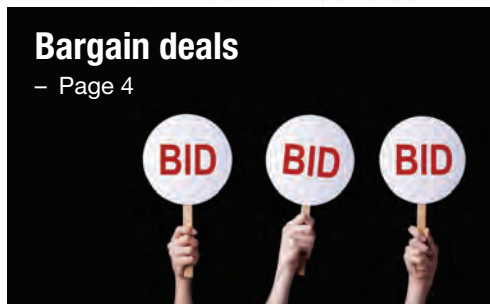
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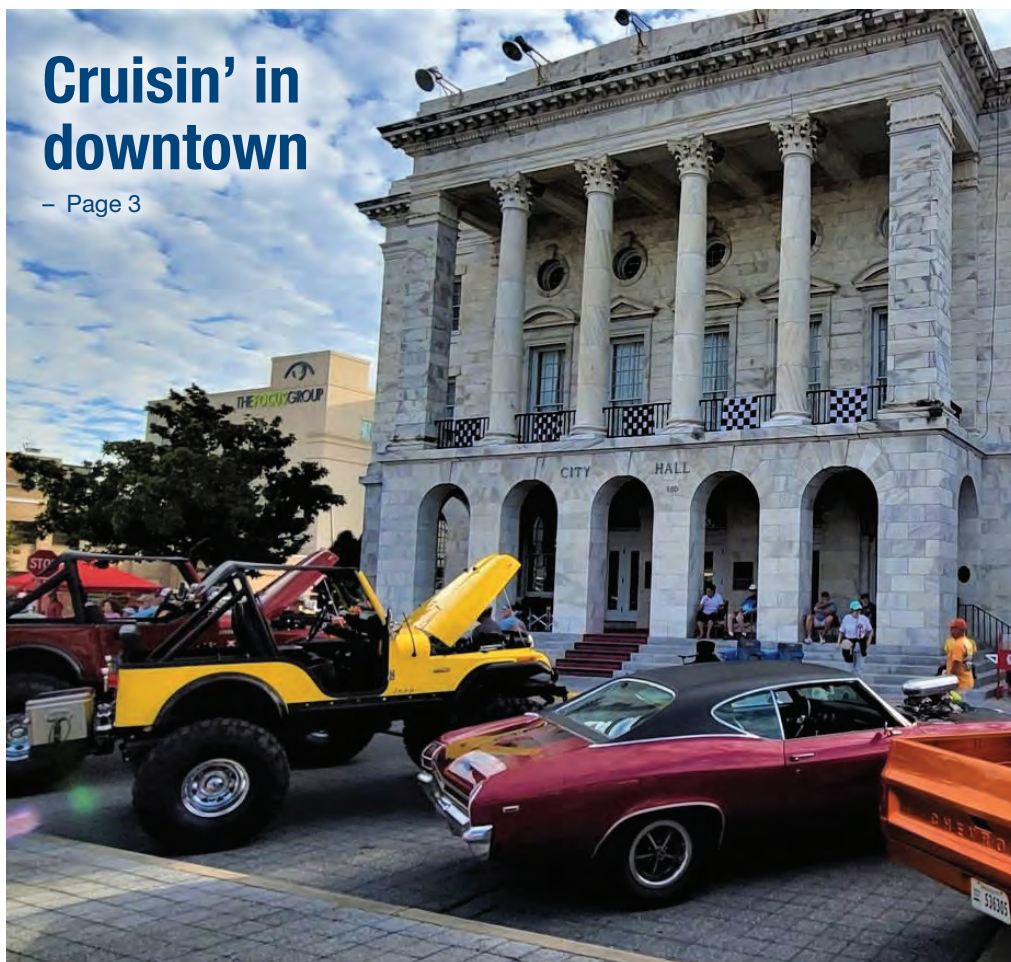
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A Thousand Words



Autumn shadows in the
Old Biloxi Cemetery

*Cruise into
Downtown
Biloxi!*



Wednesday, October 4

- **Biloxi Block Party**
Downtown Biloxi, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

See event details on the calendar page 17!



Mayor Andrew "FoFo" Gilich

Parking Plan:

- Parking areas will be parked in numerical order as they are reached during curbside parking
- Curbside parking (yellow) on Lameuse St. will be backed in at 45 degrees (noses facing south)
- Curbside parking in all other yellow areas (Jackson, Howard, MLK and Main) will be nose to tail
- Overflow parking (green) will be Esters from Bus Station Parking entrance to Main (backed in at 45 degrees (noses facing east))
- No other parking will be police managed/parked
- Entry point for parking will be Reynoir at MLK
- Inside the Biloxi Block Party once the car is parked, it will be required to remain until the event has ended at 3 p.m.
- Public parking available at the stadium parking garage for \$10

Operating numbers approved for new fiscal year

The new city budget goes into effect with the beginning of the Fiscal Year 2024 on Oct. 1.

The operation budget for the new year is estimated at nearly \$83 million. Operations include all city departments that provide public safety, road maintenance, building permits, code enforcement, project maintenance, capital projects, recreation facilities, water and sewer services, and community programs, just to name a few.

City operations are funded by three primary revenue streams, gaming taxes, sales taxes, and property taxes.

In Biloxi, where property taxpayers fund only 19 percent of the city's operations, the city has had a history since gaming arrived in 1992 of underestimating revenue, overestimating expenses, and using its financial reserves to help offset any operation shortfalls.

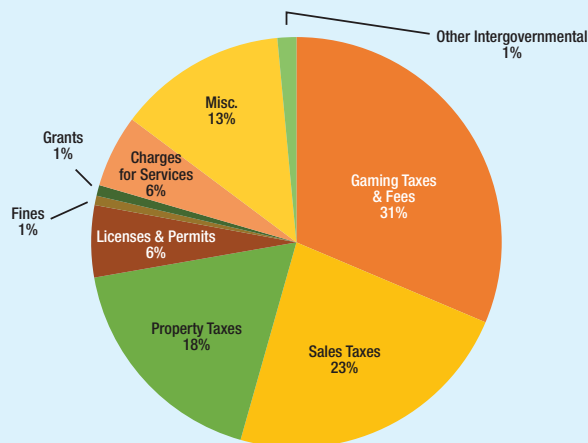
This year is no different. The city begins the year with a \$9,600,000 beginning fund balance, which will help offset any differences in revenues and expenditures.

In fact, in July of 2023, Biloxi saw record sales tax collections, making it the highest reported monthly sales tax revenue in decades, possibly even in the history of Biloxi.

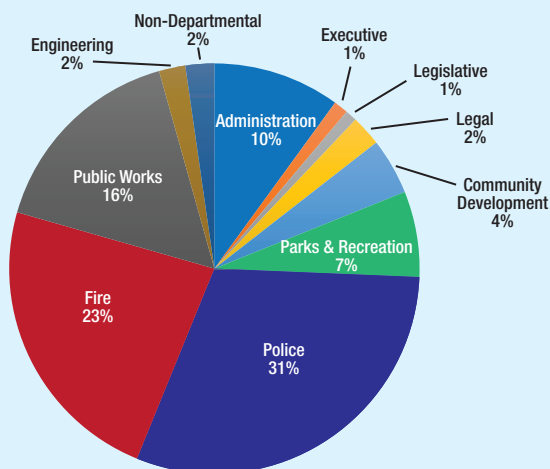
"I have said over and over again, that a budget is a projection which will be adjusted as needed," Mayor Andrew "FoFo" Gilich said. "The biggest consideration is to do things to enhance services where you can and continue providing top-notch services to keep Biloxi safe, friendly, and beautiful.

One thing to keep in mind: the city budget is it is a living document. It's a piece of paper that is amended dozens of times throughout the year, based on unanticipated changes in revenue and unanticipated changes in expenditures.

Local Revenue – \$77,310,974.00



Local Expenditures – \$82,478,530.00



City assets go online for auction

Beginning Friday, Oct. 6, the city will host its first online auction.

The auction will be conducted through GovDeals, an online marketplace that provides services to government, educational, and related entities for the sale of surplus items to the public. The auction will be open on Oct. 6 and run for fourteen days.

"This is the city's first 'regular' online auction," said Biloxi Chief Administrative Officer Michael Leonard. "After this first one, we plan to go back to the directors and departments and ask each for more items to surplus so that we can continue auctions periodically."

Items listed in this auction include ice machines, an electric griddle, an electric

Bidders easily access the auctions directly at
www.GovDeals.com/CityofBiloxi



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fryer, a Canon fax machine, an HP LaserJet printer, a Cannon copier, and three trucks: a 2004 Ford F-750, a 2004 Ford F-350 SD, and a 2005 Ford F-750.

Each item's page features a description such as whether the vehicle runs or not, if there is damage to the item, and if the item needs repairs. The 2004 Ford F-350 SD even includes a video of the engine running.

There is also a section where interested buyers can submit questions, or if questions have already been asked, a list of questions and answers will be displayed on a particular item's page.

All items are sold as is and once purchased, an appointment must be made to pick up the item.

A complete list and description of items for the "first regular online auction" is available at www.GovDeals.com/CityofBiloxi.



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Map of the Bayou Augusta Greenway

Preserving history in East Biloxi

By Mandy Lawrence Hornsby
Local History and Genealogy Department,
Biloxi Public Library

A Cultural and Community Resilience Grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities has been awarded to the Local History and Genealogy Department of the Harrison County Library System located in the Biloxi Public Library. The national grant, awarded for the first time this year, will allow the Local History and Genealogy Department \$48,000 to preserve and tell the stories of those who live in two East Biloxi communities.

According to the National Endowment for the Humanities website, "The Cultural and Community Resilience program supports community-based efforts to mitigate climate change and COVID-19 pandemic impacts, safeguard cultural resources, and foster cultural resilience through identifying, documenting, and/or collecting cultural heritage and community experience."

The Department will use the grant to collect oral histories, scan, and then digitize resources for six communities in Harrison County in the next two years beginning October 2023. Two of these communities are in Biloxi. They are the Vietnamese community of Point Cadet and the Bayou Augusta community, both in East Biloxi.

East Biloxi has been home to many immigrants. The Acadians, Croatians, and many more came to work in the factories. With the Fall of Saigon, now Ho Chi Minh City, in Vietnam in April 1975 many immigrants who had once lived on the South China Sea settled

onto the Mississippi Gulf Coast. They created a community in Point Cadet and picked up work in the existing seafood industry. The Vietnamese community introduced a new cultural perspective and experience to East Biloxi. Hurricane Katrina displaced many from the area, but the Local History and Genealogy Department hopes to capture their experiences before they disappear.

Bayou Augusta, also in East Biloxi, is a diverse community with a unique history that has also been devastated by storms. Bayou Augusta cuts through the community from Back Bay to Bradford Street. It has been the long-time home for black residents in Biloxi who attended Nichols High School before Biloxi Schools integrated in 1970. The residents have shown continued perseverance by rebuilding and holding on to their history through adversity. This grant allows this history to be preserved and shared to a wider audience.

Be on the lookout for the Local History and Genealogy Department at events within these communities and events hosted by the department on the preservation of personal documents.

Keep track of upcoming events through the department's social media accounts on Facebook at Local History and Genealogy Department HCLS or Instagram @MSCoastHistory.

Anyone interested in volunteering, sharing their stories, or allowing their historical items to be scanned from these communities is welcome to contact the Local History and Genealogy Department directly at 228-435-4613.

Main Street crossing: The roadway on each side of the crossing has been elevated and new pavement and striping has been added. The crossing has reopened to traffic.



Trash collection: Eight cubic yards, a pile of about 8 feet long, 8 feet wide, and 4 feet high, of trash is picked up per week. Since collection is once a week, any more than that would be left for the next pick up which is the following week. Help out by bagging debris if possible and do not place debris/trash in front of a vacant lot. See more at hcua-ms.us/solid-waste.

Splash pads: All four of the city's splash pads close on Oct. 9 for the fall/winter months. They will reopen on Easter weekend, 2024.

Street sweeping: The city's engineering department posts the street sweeping schedule for the city monthly on the city's traffic page. Visit online at biloxi.ms.us/traffic to see the schedule.



Golf carts: Golf carts must be registered to

run on city streets and they are only allowed on streets with a 25-mph limit or lower. Registration is obtained at the Lopez-Quave Public Safety Center, 170 Porter Ave. Details: biloxi.ms.us/golfcarts.

West Biloxi Library: Renovations at the West Biloxi Library have been completed and the facility has reopened to the public.





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17th Annual Old Biloxi Cemetery Tour: *Love Is In The Air!*

By Laurie Rosetti

The historic Biloxi Cemetery, the resting place of pioneers dating back to the early 1700s, will once again come alive with captivating stories and characters during the 17th annual Old Biloxi Cemetery Tour.

The much-anticipated event is set to take place on Sunday, October 22, from 2 to 4 p.m., with an encore performance on Tuesday, October 24, from 5 to 7 p.m. The tour, renowned for its rich historical significance, is open to the public free of charge, although donations are warmly welcomed. The funds raised go towards the preservation and upkeep of the cemetery's oldest and most historic graves ensuring that Biloxi's legacy endures through the ages.

The Old Biloxi Cemetery is a living testament to the city's deep-rooted history, with centuries of stories etched into its tombstones and memorials. This year, the theme of the tour is "Biloxi Love Stories," highlighting the unique and heartfelt connections that played out in our charming city. With eight captivating portrayals and two engaging story-telling sessions, visitors are in for an immersive journey through time and love.

This year's portrayals: Jake and June Mladinich; Brothers William and Adolph Ross who married sisters Ann and Margaret Allen; Captain George Duggan and Mary Ella Bennett Duggan; Willie and Tamelia Fountain; Maria and Miranda Younghans (mother and daughter); Laura Hinsdale (poet); Dr. and Mrs. William Tisdale; Vera Dukate Bond Chinn.

This year's story-tellings: The Jiminez Family will tell how they began decorating their family's plot for Halloween and why it is a great tribute to their family members. Briley Richmond will honor his grandfather and great uncle, Paneote Eleuterius and Demetrius Eleuterius and their great contribution during WWII.

This year's portrayals will be brought to life by a diverse group of participants, including descendants of some of the featured individuals and the "Not Ready for the Afterlife Players" a passionate acting troupe dedicated to preserving and sharing Biloxi's remarkable history. With their enthusiasm and commitment to storytelling, visitors are sure to be

transported back in time to witness the love stories that have shaped Biloxi into the vibrant community it is today.

Descendant portrayals: Doffie Ross, Larry Fountain, Tamelia Fountain Schoendorf, Dr. Paul Tisdale, and Jill Tisdale Treutel.

"Not Ready for the Afterlife Players": Cree Cantrell, Mollie McCarroll, Mike Lacy, Karen Morgan, Wendy West, Bill Collins, Gabrielle Brou, Brandy Mills, Gracie Mills, Bailey Smith, and Kathe Newcombe.

When asked why he chooses to take part in the Old Biloxi Cemetery Tour each year, Cree Cantrell replied, "It's been said that we can't tell where we're going until we know where we've been. The Biloxi Cemetery Tour is just that, a celebration of where we have been as Biloxians. I am honored to participate in this annual event and help share and preserve our rich history of over 300 years. The highest honor I have had as a participant has been to portray my wife Colby's grandfather and local legend, Junie

Desporte. Since I never got the chance to meet him, diving into his colorful life and portraying him gave me the feeling of knowing him my whole life."

This year's Old Biloxi Cemetery Tour will be dedicated to the memory of Tina Ball Johnston. Tina starred in five consecutive Old Biloxi Cemetery Tours. She was a wonderful singer who also starred in many theatrical productions across the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Tina was a beloved teacher at St. Martin East Elementary School. She leaves behind her husband, Lee Johnston, and countless friends, relatives, students and fans.

Refreshments will be served during the event. Parking will be available at the Biloxi Elks' Lodge, along Irish Hill Drive, and some of the streets in the cemetery, making it convenient for all attendees to join in the celebration of Biloxi's rich history.

For updates on this year's tour, follow Preserve Biloxi on Facebook. The Preserve Biloxi Committee organizes this tour each year and is comprised of members from Biloxi Main Street, Biloxi Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, City of Biloxi, Local History and Genealogy Library, and Department of Marine Resources.



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Youngsters kickin' it on the field

The 2023 season for Biloxi Soccer begins this month and the roster is full.

Nearly 500 youngsters have signed up for the city's youth league. That's 43 teams set to play on the Popp's Ferry soccer fields from October 14-December 9.

Since renovations are taking place at the A.J. Holloway Sports Complex, all age groups have been combined into one season, playing all games this year.

"Biloxi soccer is the city's largest youth league," said Ronnie Seymour, Biloxi's Athletic Specialist. "The league is committed to developing the beginning fundamentals of soccer for boys and

girls ages U6-U14. The league continues to grow year in and year out."

This year, teams will be filled with many familiar faces. A large number of players are returning to the field from past seasons. There are also 21 returning coaches from last year. The league is also teaming up with the Biloxi High School Girls Soccer Team. The team will assist with training the coaches and volunteering with the U6 league.

► For more about Biloxi youth soccer and to see game schedules, visit online at biloxi.ms.us/pr and click on sports or visit biloxisoccer.net.

Practice began in mid-September and opening ceremonies are scheduled for Saturday, October 14 to take place prior to play from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

All games will be played at the Popp's Ferry Recreation Complex, 2150 Popp's Ferry Road. The fields are currently only open to city league play. Earlier this year, the city closed the fields because of the poor condition of the light poles and vandalism to the electrical panels. The damaged poles have been removed but the fields remain closed to the public while maintenance continues on the fields.

Tropical NIGHTS

15th Annual Mississippi Gulf Coast Senior Prom
Thursday, November 16, 2023
6-9 p.m.

Hosted by IP Casino Resort and Spa, 850 Bayview Ave., Studio B
Mississippi Gulf Coast residents 50 and older are invited to attend.

Tickets (non-refundable) — \$20, available weekdays 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the following locations:

City of Biloxi Parks & Recreation Office
377 Hiller Dr., Biloxi, MS 39531 • 228-388-7170

Home Instead Senior Care
1716 Government St., Ocean Springs, MS 39564 • 228-818-6110

Charles L Walker Senior Center
4008 8th St., Gulfport, MS 39501 • 228-575-4535

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Wrapping up the Shuckers Season and Looking to 2024



Tobias Myers making the pitch
Photo by Joshua Sumrall

New Records, Impacts in the Community, and a 2024 Schedule release wraps up the 2023 season!

By Javik Blake
Biloxi Shuckers

With the weather cooling across the Mississippi Coast, the Biloxi Shuckers have entered the offseason after an incredible 2023 on and off the field. On the field, the Shuckers broke multiple franchise records, saw multiple top prospects suit up, and gave fans at MGM Park plenty to cheer about throughout the season. Off the field, the Shuckers made massive impacts in the community through their new Heart of a Shucker Community Fund, uplifting local businesses and groups through the new charitable initiative.

As part of the Heart of a Shucker Community Fund, announced on July 3 in front of a sellout crowd, the Shuckers honored multiple local community organizations. In total the fund donated \$22,000 to impact communities from Moss Point to Biloxi to Hattiesburg and beyond. The fund focused on uplifting youth sports in 2023 and made efforts to honor those local youth sports leaders on the Coast.

On the field, Brewers' top prospects Jackson Chourio, Jacob Misorowski, Tyler Black, Jeferson Quero and Carlos

Rodriguez all made a considerable impact for the Shuckers. Chourio, a top-two overall prospect, helped lead the offense to a new franchise record for runs in a season, and the most scored by a Brewers' Double-A affiliate since 2005.

Rodriguez and Misorowski, two of the top three Brewers' pitching prospects, helped the Shuckers set a new franchise record for strikeouts in a season.

Plenty more individual records fell too during the year. Righty Tobias Myers set the brand new Shuckers single-season strikeout record and became the first pitcher in franchise history to strike out at least 160 batters in a year. Chourio and Wes Clarke reached the 20-homerun mark, becoming the fourth and fifth players in franchise history to do so. Chourio and Black also became the second and third players in franchise history to reach 40 stolen bases in a season.

As we head to the offseason, the Shuckers announced their full 2024 schedule in late August. The Shuckers will have at least one home and road

series against all seven Southern League opponents. Fans can get tickets for 2024 Shuck Nation Memberships with a \$100 deposit by emailing the Shuckers Sales Department or by calling (228) 233-3465.

The Shuckers will begin the 2024 season at home on Friday, April 5 against the Montgomery Biscuits (Tampa Bay Rays) as part of a three-game series. In 2024, the Shuckers will have 11 homestands, including a two-week homestand from May 21 to June 2 against the Birmingham Barons (Chicago White Sox) and Pensacola Blue Wahoos (Miami Marlins).

As part of the 69-game home slate, the Shuckers will host the Birmingham Barons, Chattanooga Lookouts (Cincinnati Reds), Tennessee Smokies (Chicago Cubs), and Rocket City Trash Pandas (Los Angeles Angels) for one six-game set. The Shuckers will host the Montgomery Biscuits for 18 games, including a three-game set after the All-Star Break from Friday, July 19 to Sunday, July 21. The Shuckers will face the Mississippi Braves for 15 games at home, all coming after July 1. The Pensacola Blue Wahoos will visit the Shuckers for 12 games, all in the first half.

► For more info: biloxishuckers.com

► Javik Blake is the Media Relations Manager and voice of the Biloxi Shuckers. See "Shuckers Insider" daily on BTV at 6:15 a.m. and 6:15 p.m.

Forecast training transformations at Keesler

By Airman 1st Class
Elizabeth Davis
81st Training Wing
Public Affairs

The forecast for weather students in Keesler's 335th Training Squadron is clear, thanks to efforts by their instructors.

The 335th TRS is syncing weather training with the Second Air Force and Air Education and Training Command's lines of effort by incorporating digital tablets into weather training classrooms.

The tablets, equipped to access the agile learning platform Learn To Win, will help the 335th TRS teach joint service officer and enlisted weather courses.

The tablets are an upgrade for students that provide multiple ways for them to engage and absorb information.

"The tablets are something that they can use in class to follow along with the slides. For those learners who are more tactile or who need time to digest the information better, when they go back home, they can utilize the software on their tablets to access presentations that will have a voiceover," said Capt. Travis Hodos, 335th TRS instructor supervisor.

The tablets also provide students with a deeper look into weather patterns and predictions.



Students at Keesler Air Force Base utilize tablets during a recent lesson on base.

U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Elizabeth Davis

"If we're looking at the atmosphere, we will look at the surface and then the different levels throughout the atmosphere," said Hodos. "Before, we would have to display that on a whiteboard, but if we put it on the tablets, we could overlay different charts to look at it in a three-dimensional model, allowing more avenues for learning."

The tablets are powered through AETC's learning

connectivity project, installing commercial wireless internet across the command and into all training dormitories, supporting sixth-generation learning environments.

"We're not just helping them pass their tech training, we're making their lives better. We're creating a more positive and beneficial learning environment that echoes through the rest of their day, not just when they're in the schoolhouse," said Senior Master Sgt. Jason Pierce, 335th TRS weather career field training manager. "If we can help them with a tool like this to grow in their resilience through academic success, that's a second or third-order effect that I think every training environment would love to be able to capture - and I know we will."

► See more photos at www.keesler.af.mil
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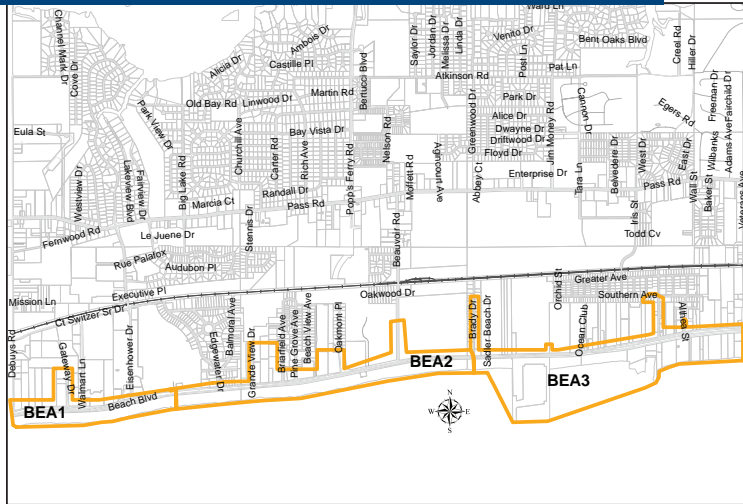
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The infrastructure work in Biloxi

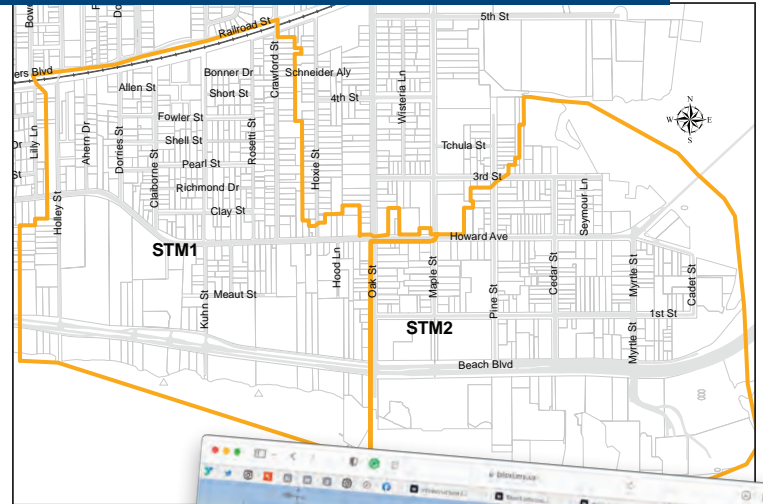
Necaise Brothers Construction

- \$41.5 million, 900-day project install new water, sewer, and drainage lines
- Work began Jan. 4, 2021



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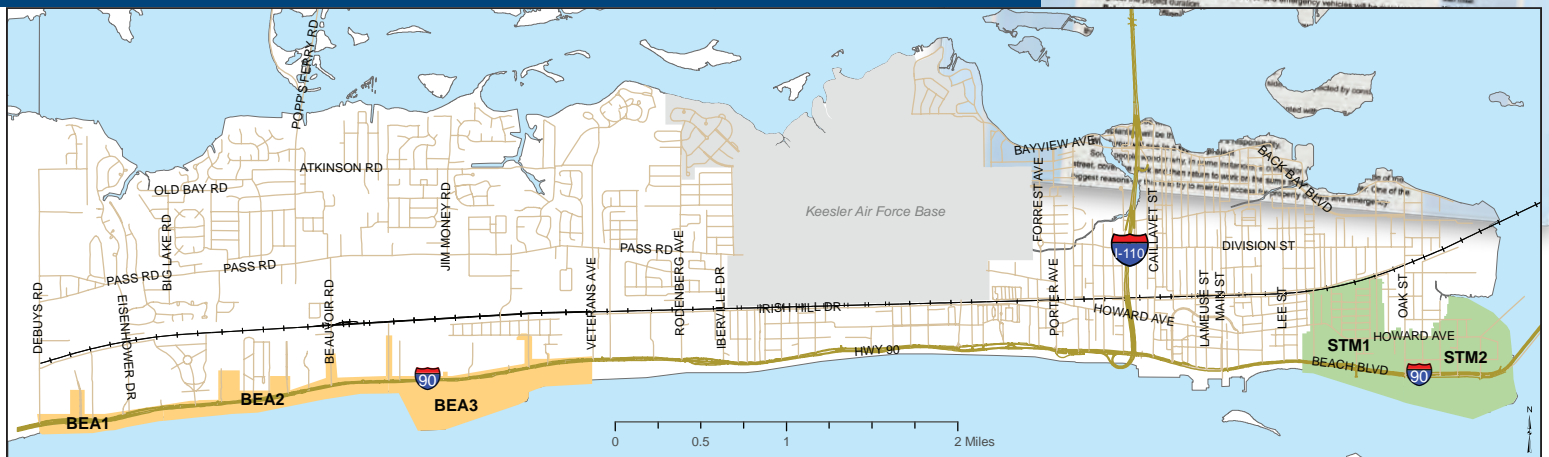
- \$32 million, 1,080-day project to install new water, sewer, and drainage lines
- Work began July 2022



- See detailed maps and monthly update videos online at biloxi.ms.us/restore-biloxi/.



Areawide map of infrastructure work



Random Notes

TIME CAPSULE:

Edgewater Mall turns 60



The faces and names of various businesses have changed over time, but Edgewater Mall has remained a favorite shopping destination for 60 years. Originally opening as Edgewater Plaza in 1963, it quickly became known as “it’s own little town” in West Biloxi. Designer clothing, fine jewelry, restaurants, and even movie theaters were members of the Edgewater Mall shopping experience. This photo shows one of two fountains in the original Edgewater Plaza before a remodel in the mid-1980s.

Postcard from the Biloxi Library, Local History and Genealogy Department’s image collection.

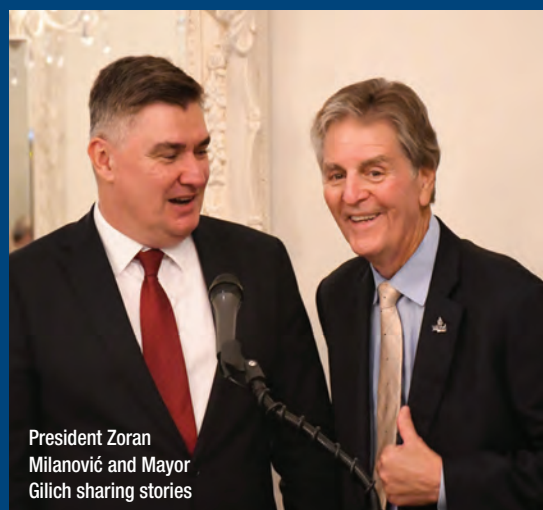
Edgewater Mall

Biloxi hosts International President

Croatian flags were flying beside our beloved American Flag on city landmarks in anticipation of an International visitor on Sept. 22. The President of the Republic of Croatia, Zoran Milanović, was welcomed to Biloxi at City Hall by Mayor Andrew “FoFo” Gilich, other state dignitaries, and many of the Biloxi Croatian community. This was the first time in history an International President had visited Biloxi. Mayor Gilich presented President Milanović with a proclamation declaring this day, Croatian Heritage Day.



Mayor Andrew “FoFo” Gilich greeting Croatian President Zoran Milanović



President Zoran Milanović and Mayor Gilich sharing stories



Mayor Andrew “Fofo” Gilich, President Zoran Milanović and Croatian First Lady Sanja Musić Milanović receiving Croatian Heritage Day proclamation



Mayor Andrew “FoFo” Gilich shares his Biloxi family connection to Croatia



▲ Croatian President Zoran Milanović expresses appreciation at Biloxi City Hall

▼ Left to right: MS State Rep. Kevin Felsher, MS Speaker of the House Philip Gunn, MS Governor Tate Reeves, Croatian First Lady Sanja Musić Milanović, Croatian President Zoran Milanović, Biloxi First Lady Serena Gilich, and Mayor Andrew “FoFo” Gilich



▼ Mayor Andrew “FoFo” Gilich with Biloxi First Lady Serena Gilich welcoming Croatian President Zoran Milanović and Croatian First Lady Sanja Musić Milanović to Biloxi City Hall



HALLOWEEN Events in Biloxi!

Oct. 14

65th Annual Nativity BVM School Halloween Carnival
1-8 p.m., 1046 Beach Blvd.

Oct. 21

Halloween on Howard
5-6:30 p.m., Howard Avenue from MLK Jr. Boulevard to Porter Avenue

Oct. 21, 22, 27, 28

Halloween Scare at Haunted House #13
6-9 p.m., Biloxi Fire Museum, 1046 Howard Ave.

Oct. 22 & 24

17th Annual Old Biloxi Cemetery Tour
2-4 p.m. (22nd), 5-7 p.m. (24th), 1066 Irish Hill Dr.

Oct. 26

Boo on the Rue
5:30-8:30 p.m., Rue Magnolia Arts District

Oct. 26

Senior Halloween Spectacular
9 a.m.-2 p.m., Biloxi Civic Center, 578 Howard Ave.

Oct. 27

Special Needs Halloween Dance & Costume Ball
6-9 p.m. Donal Snyder Sr. Community Center, 2520 Pass Road

Oct. 28

Halloween Movie at Eagle Point Park
6 p.m., 10519 Pin Oak Drive

View pages 17-18 for event details

Best Bets!



Fall Muster

Visitors will be able to experience the sights, sounds, and smells of the Civil War era on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 21-22 when Beauvoir hosts the annual Fall Muster. The two-day event, one of the Jefferson Davis shrine's biggest events of the year, takes place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day in grounds at 2244 Beach Blvd. and includes presentations, campground and battle re-enactments, a church service, a cemetery tour, and a memorial ceremony. General admission ranges from \$7.50 to \$12.50, free for children five and younger. Details: www.visitbeauvoir.org

Fall Festival

Enjoy autumn hues and pumpkins at the annual Fall Festival at the Biloxi Visitors Center. Local artists and crafters will be set up at the center selling their wares on Saturday, Oct. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The annual affair, taking place just north of the historic Biloxi Lighthouse at 1050 Beach Blvd., will also feature a pumpkin patch, pumpkin decorating, door prizes, games, and crafts. The festival is free to attend. Details: 228-374-3105

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

Biloxi Block Party, Cruisin' The Coast, Oct. 4, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Lameuse and nearby streets. Downtown car show and block party. Live entertainment and awards. Performances begin at 8:30 a.m. across from Biloxi City Hall. Free admission. Details: 288-435-6339



First Friday Downtown Biloxi, Oct. 6, 5-9 p.m., Under the I-110 on Howard Avenue. Event includes food trucks, fun, and live entertainment by Groove Communion from 5-6:30 p.m. and Ty Taylor and the Kinfolk from 7-9 p.m. Free admission. Details: 228-435-6339

Fall Festival, Oct. 7, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Biloxi Visitors Center, 1050 Beach Blvd. Includes a pumpkin patch, pumpkin decorating, vendor booths, games, crafts, and door prizes! Food available for purchase. Free admission. Details: 228-374-3105

Greenhouse Biloxi Art Reception, Oct. 11, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Greenhouse Biloxi, 152 G.E. Ohr St. Art opening for Andrew J. Switzer III. View the new art display and enjoy complimentary snacks. Details: 228-327-0579

Concert on the Causeway, 2nd Wednesday of the month, Popp's Ferry Causeway Park near Yul's Place, 530 Causeway Drive, 6-8 p.m. Free admission. Details: 228-864-6274

Charles R. Hegwood Community Market Festival, Oct. 12, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Under I-110 on Howard Ave. Music, vendors, market vendors, and door prizes. Details: 228-388-7170

Old Biloxi Cemetery Cleanup, Oct. 13, 9 a.m.-noon, 1066 Irish Hill Drive. Families are encouraged to get together and clean their family and ancestors' gravesites. This will assist in making the cemetery look its best for the coming cemetery tours. Details: 228-435-6339

East Biloxi Community Senior Center Craft Fair, Oct. 13, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., 461 Parkers Street. Fall and Christmas décor, handmade pottery, food, healthcare vendors, door prizes, and more. Proceeds benefit the Senior Center. Free admission. Details: 228-435-4192



Llamapalooza, Oct. 14, 1 p.m.-until sundown, 186 Bohn St., Fly Llama Brewing. The 3rd Annual Llamapalooza event features art vendors, food trucks, special beer, and more! Entertainment: The Royal Horses, The Karate Kids, & The Heavy Strides. Details: 228-207-7757

Military Spouses Business Showcase, Oct. 14, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Kroc Center, 575 Division St. Event to support and empower military spouses who often face unique challenges due to frequent moves and deployments. Businesses will be showcased from military spouses. Food truck on site. Free admission. Details: 228-604-0014

65th Annual Nativity BVM School Halloween Carnival, Oct. 14, 1-8 p.m., 1046 Beach Blvd. Join Nativity BVM for lots of games, a presentation, and costume contest. Family-friendly event open to the public. Details: nbvcmcarnivalchair@gmail.com

3rd Annual Gulf Coast Shrimp Cook-Off & Festival, Oct. 14, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Point Cadet Plaza, 121 Cadet St. All-you-can-eat "Gulf Shrimp" tickets: \$20 per person. Details: www.clearvisionent.net



Bike Biloxi, Oct. 17, 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

Walk to End Alzheimer's, Oct. 21, 9 a.m.-registration, 10 a.m.-walk starts, Point Cadet Plaza, 121 Cadet St. Details: 601-720-2525, or tmroddy@alz.org

Annual Fall Muster, Oct. 21-22, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Beauvoir, 2244 Beach Blvd. Experience the sights, sounds, and smells of the Civil War era. Admission: \$7.50-\$12.50; free for children five and younger. Details: www.visitbeauvoir.org

Annual Mississippi Coastal Cleanup, Oct. 21, 8-11 a.m., West Beach Boardwalk and Lighthouse area. Volunteers gather in an effort to rid our waterways, beaches and bayous of marine debris. To sign up: <http://coastalcleanup.extension.msstate.edu/events/annual-mississippi-coastal-cleanup-event>



Stay in touch

BNews: Welcome to the 65th 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.

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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 435-6280
- 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

Halloween on Howard, Oct. 21, 5-6:30 p.m. Howard Avenue. Drive-thru trick-or-treating event. Vehicles enter Howard Avenue from MLK Jr. Boulevard and travel west to Porter Avenue while trick or treating from their vehicle. Best decorated vehicle wins a prize! Free admission. Details: 228-388-7170



Halloween Scare at Haunted House #13, Oct. 21-22 & 27-28, 6-9 p.m., Biloxi Fire Museum, 1046 Howard Ave. Visit if you dare for a Halloween Scare at Haunted Fire House No.13. Admission: \$10 per person, \$5 for children ages 8 and younger. Details: 228-435-6119

17th Annual Old Biloxi Cemetery Tour, Oct. 22, 2-4 p.m. and Oct. 24, 5-7 p.m. 1066 Irish Hill Dr. Self-guided, continuously performed portrayals with 16 characters & two storytelling. Theme: Biloxi Love Stories. Free admission. Donations welcomed. Details: 228-435-6339

Joyful Noise Music & Mural Festival, Oct. 22, 12- 5 p.m., Ground Zero Blues Club, 814 Howard Ave. Details: www.groundzerobiloxi.com/events-tickets

Main Street Book Club, Oct. 26, 5:30 p.m., Jacked Up Coffee Bar, 999 Howard Ave. The Book Club selection for October is "Adriatic Allure" by Patti Golden who will be present to discuss and sign copies. Free admission. Details: 228-435-6339

Boo on the Rue, 🎃 Oct. 26, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Rue Magnolia Arts District. Family and fur-friendly outdoor Halloween Party. Costumes are encouraged. Includes: a costume contest, adult, kid, pet prizes, entertainment, and a chili cook-off. Pets must be on a leash. Details: Biloxi Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, 228-435-6149

Senior Halloween Spectacular, Oct. 26, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Biloxi Civic Center, 578 Howard Ave. Open to ages 55 and older. Includes stage performances, vendor booths, a costume contest, door prizes, dancing, and lunch served at noon. Murder Mystery Show theme. Details: 228-392-9988

Special Needs Halloween Dance & Costume Ball, Oct. 27, 6-9 p.m. Donal Snyder Sr. Community Center, 2520 Pass Road. Event includes a costume contest, music, and food. Security will be provided. Event is open to all ages with physical and mental disabilities. Details and to RSVP: 228-388-7170

Festival Against Crime, Oct. 28, 2-6 p.m., Point Cadet Plaza, 121 Cadet St. Get to know Biloxi Police. Event includes: inflatables, displays, Bomb teams, K-9s, food, and more. Free admission. Details: 228-385-3033 or tgoldsworthy@biloxi.ms.us

Fall Foam Fest, Oct. 29, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Biloxi Town Green, 710 Beach Blvd. All-Day Foam Party, Glow Foam at night, chalk walk, face painting, bounce house, food trucks, craft vendors, petting zoo, music, and trick or treating: 4 p.m.-6 p.m., and costume contest: 5:30 p.m. Free admission. Details: 228-364-3441



Halloween Trunk or Treat and Movie at Eagle Point Park, Oct. 28, 6 p.m., 10519 Pin Oak Drive. Activities begin at 6 p.m., movie at dusk. Free admission. Details: 228-388-7170

Moonlight Masquerade, Oct. 28, 7-11 p.m., White Pillars, 1696 Beach Blvd. Event features food, live performers, live music from Symone French, two free signature cocktails, a costume contest, and an online silent auction. Costume or cocktail attire. Hosted/benefits: Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence. Admission: \$75. Details: 228-436-3809

Sidewalk Saturday Downtown Biloxi, October 28, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Downtown Biloxi, G.E. Ohr Street, Jackson Street, and Rue Magnolia. Business sales and specials, vendors, chalk art contests, and entertainment. Free admission. Details: 228-697-3180



Biloxi Little Theatre
220 Lee St., 228-432-8543,
www.4blt.org
• **Bus Stop,** October 13-15, & 20-22

Center Stage
2670 Rue Palafox, 228-388-6258
centerstagebiloxi.com
• **Deathtrap,** Oct. 26-Nov. 5

Beauvoir, The Jefferson Davis Home & Presidential Library
2244 Beach Blvd., 228-388-4400, www.visitbeauvoir.org

Biloxi Lighthouse & Visitors Center

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

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

Biloxi Schooners

367 Beach Blvd., 228-435-6320, schooner@maritimemuseum.org. Open 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

- Walk-on sunset sails, admission: \$30 adults, \$15 ages 3-12
- Group charters available, up to 44 people

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 • Call in advance for tour availability

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

Harrison County East Biloxi Senior Center

461 Parker St., 228-435-4192, co.harrison.ms.us/departments/senior/services

- Open 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., weekdays

KAFB Farmer's Market

625 Marina Dr., 228-376-3170, melissa.wedel.civ@health.mil • **Oct. 20** 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Marina Park

Kroc Center, MS Gulf Coast, The Salvation Army

575 Division St., 228-207-1218, Krocmscoast.com

- **Adult Piano Class**, Mondays in October, 5-6 p.m. ages 16 and older, fees: Begins at \$70
- **Kroctober Fest**, Oct. 28, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Free admission.

Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum

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

- Open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m.
- **Art Opening Reception**, Oct. 5, 5:30-7 p.m. "Capturing the Coast" by Art Lestrade. Free admission.

Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art

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

- Check the website for events and studio classes at OOMA!

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 Saturdays 9 a.m.-2 p.m. or by appointment
- **Halloween Scare at Haunted House #13**, Oct. 21-22 & 27-28, 6-9 p.m., \$10 per person, \$5 for children ages 8 and younger. Details: 228-435-6119

Biloxi Elks 606 Lodge of Biloxi

1178 Beach Blvd., 228-374-0606

- **Friday Bingo**, Oct. 6, 13, 20, & 27. Doors open at 5 p.m.; Early Bird games at 6:30 p.m.; regular games at 7 p.m. Cash payouts. Concessions available. Kitchen open until 8 p.m.

Fleur de Lis Society of Biloxi (French Club)

182 Howard Ave., 228-436-6472

- **Seafood Dinners**, Fridays at 6 p.m.
- **Karaoke with Kenny**, Fridays at 7 p.m.

Joppa Shrine— 13280 Shriners Blvd., 601-917-1027

- **Steak Night**, Oct. 13, 6-8 p.m. Last ticket sold 7:15 p.m. \$20, dine-in or carry-out, 228-392-9345
- **Gumbo Cookoff**, Oct. 14, noon to 4 p.m., tasting ticket \$15. Details: 601-917-1027
- **Halloween Trick or Trunk**, Oct. 15, 3-5 p.m. Free event. Details: 228-392-9345
- **Bottle Show**, Oct. 20-21, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Free admission
- **Adult Halloween Party**, Oct. 28, Costume Contest with cash prize. \$10 admission. Details: 228-392-9345

Mississippi Coast Historical & Genealogical Society – 228-396-1543**Our Lady of Fatima Parish Bingo—** 315 Tara Lane, 228-388-3887

- **Monday Bingo**, October 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, doors open at 5 p.m., Early birds at 6:30 p.m., regular games at 7 p.m.

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

- **Biloxi Bingo Mania**, Tuesday nights behind Nativity Cathedral; 871 Esters Blvd. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; Early bird games at 6:30 p.m.; regular games begin at 7 p.m. Proceeds benefit Nativity BVM Catholic Elementary School. Details: 228-374-6472

**Lagniappe****Charles R. Hegwood****Biloxi Community Market**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6 a.m.-2 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
- **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
1	2 Adult Piano Classes Kroc Center Monday Night Bingo Our Lady of Fatima	3 Margaritaville Cruise In Margaritaville Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral	4 Biloxi Block Party Cruisin' The Coast Downtown Biloxi Vicari/CTC Auto Auction MS Coast Coliseum Beau Rivage Cruisin' Event & The Molly Ringwalds Beau Rivage Theatre	5 Art Opening Reception "Capturing The Coast" Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum Cruisin' Entertainment Edgewater Mall	6 Seafood Dinners/ Karaoke with Kenny Fleur de Lis Society Friday Bingo – Biloxi Elks Lodge First Friday & Downtown Block Party Under I-110 on Howard Ave. Cruisin' Entertainment Edgewater Mall The Beach Boys Beau Rivage Theatre	7 Fall Festival Biloxi Visitors Center Cruisin' Entertainment Edgewater Mall Brandon Bennett's Elvis My Way IP Casino The Beach Boys Beau Rivage Theatre
8	9 Adult Piano Classes Kroc Center Monday Night Bingo Our Lady of Fatima	10 Community Market Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral	11 Greenhouse Biloxi Art Reception Greenhouse Biloxi Concert on the Causeway Popp's Ferry Causeway Park	12 Community Market Festival Inkin' The Coast MS Coast Coliseum Tab Benoit Hard Rock	13 Seafood Dinners/ Karaoke with Kenny Fleur de Lis Society Friday Bingo - Biloxi Elks Lodge Steak Night - Joppa Shrine Old Biloxi Cemetery Cleanup - 1066 Irish Hill Drive East Biloxi Community Senior Center Craft Fair Bus Stop Biloxi Little Theatre	14 Llamapalooza Fly Llama Brewing Military Spouses Business Showcase Kroc Center Nativity BVM School Halloween Carnival 1046 Beach Blvd. Shrimp Cook-Off/Festival Point Cadet Plaza Gumbo Cookoff - Joppa Shrine Bus Stop Biloxi Little Theatre
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22 Fall Muster Beauvoir Haunted House #13 Biloxi Fire Museum Old Biloxi Cemetery Tour Bus Stop - BLT Music & Mural Fest Ground Zero Blues Club Festival Against Crime - Point Cadet	23 Adult Piano Classes Kroc Center Monday Night Bingo Our Lady of Fatima	24 Community Market Old Biloxi Cemetery Tour 1066 Irish Hill Drive Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral	25 Main Street Book Club Jacked Up Coffee Bar	26 Community Market Boo on the Rue Rue Magnolia Arts District Senior Halloween Spectacular Biloxi Civic Center Mercy Me: Together Again Tour MS Coast Coliseum Deathtrap – Center Stage The Arena Rock Show Hard Rock	27 Seafood Dinners/ Karaoke with Kenny Fleur de Lis Society Friday Bingo Biloxi Elks Lodge Special Needs Halloween Dance & Costume Ball Donal Snyder Sr. Community Center Haunted House #13 Biloxi Fire Museum Deathtrap Center Stage	28 Sidewalk Saturday Downtown Biloxi Halloween Trunk or Treat /Movie, Eagle Point Park Festival/Crime – Point Cadet Moonlight Masquerade – White Pillars Kroctoberfest - Kroc Center Deathtrap – Center Stage Haunted House #13 Biloxi Fire Museum Halloween Party - Joppa Shrine Lewis Black - Beau Rivage
29 Fall Foam Fest Biloxi Town Green Deathtrap Center Stage	30 Adult Piano Classes Kroc Center Deathtrap Center Stage Monday Night Bingo Our Lady of Fatima	31 Community Market  Deathtrap Center Stage The Rocky Horror Picture Show Hard Rock Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral		Community Market	Seafood Dinners/ Karaoke with Kenny Fleur de Lis Society Friday Bingo Biloxi Elks Lodge	

BTV October Schedule

Sparklight 56; Uverse 99 (follow prompts) or at biloxi.ms.us/btv

Morning	
6 a.m.	"Down in Biloxi," by Rockin' Ray Fournier (4 min)
6:04 a.m.	Inside BTV
6:10 a.m.	Infrastructure report (5 min)
6:15 a.m.	Shuckers Insider
6:30 a.m.	Biloxi Public Schools (15 min)
7 a.m.	"Biloxi Cooks!" at Doe's Eat Place, Margaritaville (9 min)
7:30 a.m.	Storytime with Gumbo Kelly (15 min)
7:45 a.m.	Keesler Update (15 min)
8 a.m.	Special presentation: "2022 Biloxi Cemetery Tour" (1 hr 16 mins)
9 a.m.	City Council meetings and other bonus public affairs programming (2 hours)
Afternoon	
Noon	A vintage vignette: "America's Riviera," B&W, 1950s travelogue (9 min)
12:10 p.m.	A vintage vignette: "America's Riviera," 1960s travelogue (14 min)
12:25 p.m.	Biloxi Public Schools (15 min)
1 p.m.	"Biloxi Cooks!" at Doe's Eat Place, Margaritaville (9 min)
1:30 p.m.	Storytime with Gumbo Kelly (15 min)
1:45 p.m.	Keesler Update (15 min)
2 p.m.	Special presentation: "2022 Biloxi Cemetery Tour" (1 hr 16 mins)
3 p.m.	City Council meetings and other bonus public affairs programming (2 hours)
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9 p.m.	City Council meetings and other bonus public affairs programming (2 hours)
Midnight	National Anthem by Ronny Broussard (2 min)



You can view individual programs on the city's YouTube channel.

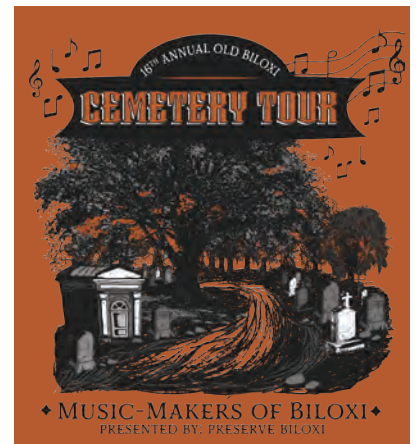
Musicians of the past

Prepare for take-off to times long ago with Preserve Biloxi's 16th Annual Old Biloxi Cemetery Tour titled "Music-makers of Biloxi." Tours took place on Oct. 16 and 18, 2022, and celebrated music throughout the decades, showcasing singers, musicians, bandleaders, and songwriters.

And this month on BTV, you can watch last year's tour prior to visiting this year's tour in person.

You'll see the one-hour and 16-minute video of the 2022 tour each day at 8 a.m., 2 p.m., and 8 p.m.

You can also be seen online, on the city's YouTube channel.



Dining at Doe's Eat Place

The chefs at Doe's, a James Beard Award-winning restaurant and winner of Open Table's 2016 Diners' Choice Award, shares a delightful dish in this month's replay of "Biloxi Cooks!"

See the story of Doe's Eat Place down at Margaritaville Resort & Family Fun Center on Point Cadet all month long.

"Biloxi Cooks!" airs at 7 a.m., 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. daily throughout October.

This month's recipe:

Chicken Parmesan

Doe's Eat Place, Margaritaville

Ingredients:

- 6-ounce Chicken Breast
- Fryer oil
- All Purpose flour
- Eggwash
- Breadcrumb mixture
- 6 ounces of Marinara
- 2 ounces of Parmesan and Mozzarella
- 10 ounces of angel hair pasta
- Chopped Basil to taste
- 2 pieces of garlic bread

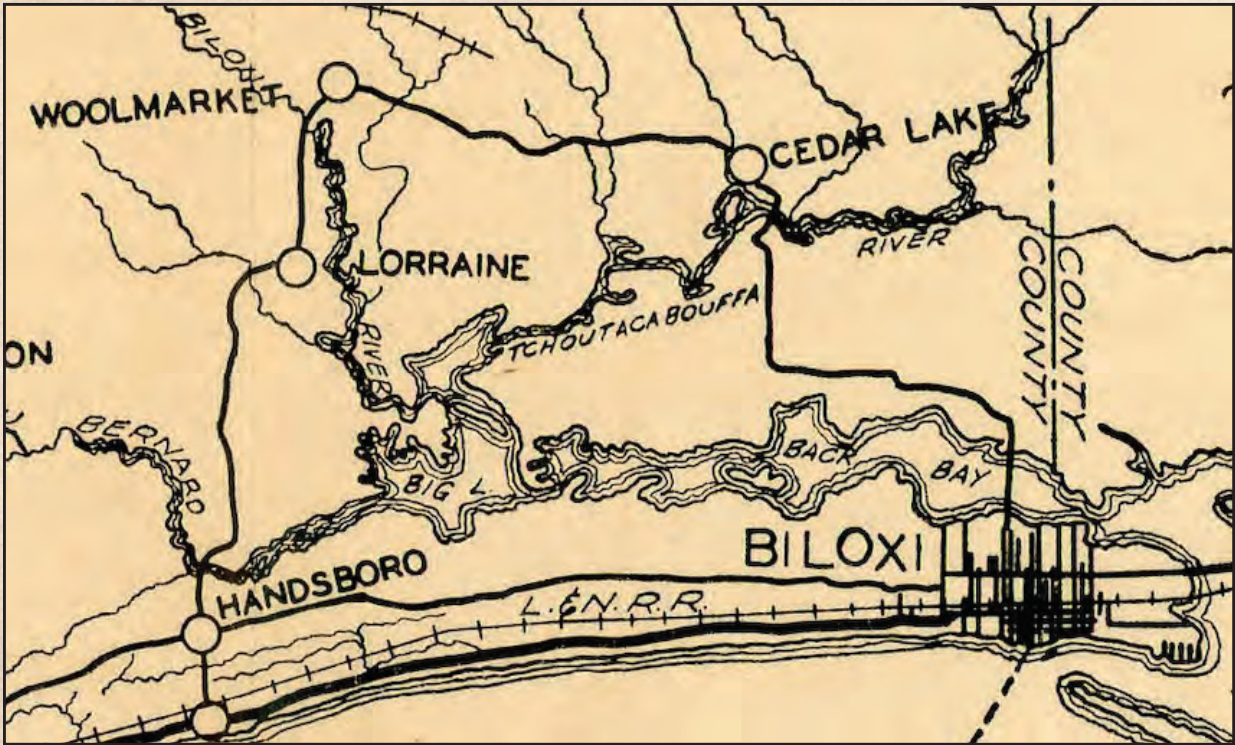
Instructions:

1. Tenderize 6-ounce chicken breast until ¼ inch thin.
2. Place chicken in AP flour mixture, then eggwash.
3. Place chicken in breadcrumb mixture and then in non-seafood fryer. Fry until golden brown.
4. Temp chicken, if not 165 degrees, then place in oven until done.
5. Place chicken on sheet pan, ladle 2 ounces of marinara on top, then place 2 ounces cheese mix on top and melt in broiler.
6. Microwave 10 ounces of angel hair pasta for one minute.
7. Ladle 4 ounces marina on top of pasta, then place chicken breast on top.
8. Garnish with chopped basil and 2 pieces of garlic bread



Woolmarket Memories

By Paige Gutierrez



Driving from Biloxi to Woolmarket, 1939

In 1939 the Woman’s Club of Gulfport partnered with President Franklin Roosevelt’s Federal Writers Project to create a book about the Mississippi Gulf Coast, part history and part tour guide. The result, *Mississippi Gulf Coast, Yesterday and Today, 1699-1939*, includes a suggested driving tour from Biloxi to Woolmarket, the Biloxi River country, and beyond. Here are highlights of the journey as described by the book’s authors.

Going Across the Bay

The excursion starts at the north end of Caillavet Street, where a two-lane bridge across Back Bay links to D’Iberville. This is old Highway 55.

Biloxi’s Back Bay neighborhood reminds the writer of “a European fishing village.” Boat builders work under the shade of oak trees on the shore, as well as on the shore “across the bay” in D’Iberville. Of D’Iberville the writer says “the village, with its old, white houses, remains distinctively French. Succeeding generations have followed in the footsteps of their forebears, engaging mostly in boatbuilding



↳ A scene from Old Woolmarket Road, date unknown. Old Woolmarket Road was once a part of the Caravan Route into the Piney Woods, according to Lulu Stiglets Martin in her oral history interview with Murella Powell of Biloxi Library, 1986. Biloxi Library Local History and Genealogy Collection.

before arriving at Woolmarket.

Woolmarket and Wool

At the time the tour guide was written in the late 1930s, Woolmarket was a “quiet, unincorporated agricultural area” of “stoutly built farmhouses surrounded by pecan orchards and fertile farms, one of Harrison County’s most productive agricultural sections.”

and fishing.”

After D’Iberville, the road passes through pecan orchards and a turpentine camp. The asphalt highway ends at the wooden drawbridge that crosses the Tchoutacabouffa River at Cedar Lake.

Cut-over forests and new orchards

After seven miles of sand and gravel road through “cut-over land studded with small growths of pine and palmetto,” the traveler passes the turn to the Biloxi Unit of De Soto National Forest, established in 1934. After that intersection, there are more pecan and fruit orchards planted on cut-over land,

↳ Late 1930s driving tour map from book *Mississippi Gulf Coast, Yesterday and Today, 1699-1939*. Biloxi Library Local History and Genealogy Collection.



↳ Woolmarket residents Etha Fayard (born 1882) and her son Charlie Fayard (born 1921), with log truck, oxen. Date unknown. Biloxi Library Local History and Genealogy Collection.

However, in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, it had been a busy center for the wool industry, as well as a river trading port that linked the Piney Woods to Gulf Coast waters and beyond.

Sheep had once roamed freely on the coastal meadows and pine forests, where the understory was open for easy grazing. Each spring wool buyers from all over the country came to Woolmarket for the auction. Boston’s leading wool buyers paid a premium for Harrison County’s wool, deemed superior, clean, and free of briars. Harrison County produced a half million pounds of wool annually in the 1890s.

Stiglets’ Landing and the Caravan Route

Stiglets’ Landing on the Biloxi River was a significant trading port for the central Gulf Coast. In the days before railroads, sailing schooners carried freight over shallow coastal waters to Stiglets’ Landing, where goods came in from the Piney Woods to the north on the Caravan Route.

The old Caravan Route began as a cleared right of way before the Civil War for a railroad that was never built. People of the Piney Woods took advantage of this easy path



↳ View of Stiglets’ Landing, with schooners in background. Biloxi Library Local History and Genealogy Collection.

south to Stiglets’ Landing with teams of oxen carrying farm products, wool, lumber, rosin, charcoal, and beeswax to be loaded on schooners sailing to New Orleans, Mobile, and beyond. For their return trip home – for some, as far north as Hattiesburg – they carried household goods from the port cities. Stiglets’ Landing at its busiest employed 500 men in shipping and logging, but by 1939 remnants of the old port were unused.

Coalville and Beyond

The driving tour includes Coalville, the oldest settlement in the Woolmarket region, where charcoal makers tended their kilns beginning in the early 1800s. The Coalville Methodist Church, organized in 1852, served the pioneer community. After Coalville, the tour proceeds through the formerly bustling river trading post of Lorraine, down through more cut-over forest, past Handsboro and its cemetery, with its shell-covered graves and “tombstones draped with Spanish moss,” crosses the wooden bridge over Bayou Bernard, and, heading south toward the Mississippi Sound, passes property pioneered by the Cowan family in the 1840s. The tour ends when the road reaches the beachfront at Highway 90.



↳ Coalville Methodist Church and cemetery. Photo from “Know Your Coast” by Ray Thompson, 1958, *The Daily Herald*.

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