

## Best Bets!

### Galentine's at the Museum

Ladies spend an evening at the Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art and celebrate the friendship of the amazing women in your life at Bubbles and Bonbons.

The Galentine's Day event is a night filled with dancing, dining, and shopping.

From 6 to 8:30 p.m., participants will be able to taste sparkling wines and sample sweet and savory delicacies from a variety of coast restaurants. Local vendors will also be on site for a shopping experience. The event is a fundraiser for the museum. Tickets are \$40 per person. Details: [georgeohr.org](http://georgeohr.org)



### Running for beads and trees

Looking a way to continue that New Year's resolution of staying healthy? Well, sign up for the Run for the Beads and Arbor Day runs,

which by the way, you can walk. On Saturday, Feb. 3, the Mississippi Coastal Mardi Gras Museum on Howard Avenue will host the 12th Annual Gulf Coast Carnival Association's Run for the Beads 1-mile and 5K in celebration of this year's carnival season. The event takes place in downtown, and begins at 8:45 a.m. followed by the 5K around 9 a.m. Then on Saturday, Feb. 24, you can celebrate Arbor Day by participating in the annual Arbor Day Run/Walk/Roll for Disability Awareness. The event, which also takes place along downtown, includes a 5K, 1-mile and ¼ mile run or walk all beginning at 9 a.m. Those with disabilities are encouraged to participate. Fees apply for each event and preregistration may be done online. For more details, see the event listing in the calendar.



**GCCA 12th Annual Run for the Beads 5K Run**, Feb. 3, 8:45 a.m., Gulf Coast Mardi Gras Museum, 792-A Howard Ave. Late registration for the annual Gulf Coast Carnival Association run begins one hour before run time at the Mardi Gras Museum. Admission: \$20 prior to event, \$25 day of. Details or online registration: <https://www.msgcca.org/5k-run/>



**Children's Mardi Gras Walking Parade**, Feb. 3, 10 a.m., Downtown Biloxi. Open to ages 12 and younger. The parade travels from under the I-110 on Howard Avenue and ends a Biloxi City Hall, 140 Lameuse St. The theme for this year's parade is "Leaving you Spellbound" celebrating the wonders of the world. Registration forms available at Biloxi Visitors Center, 1050 Beach Blvd. and online at [biloxi.ms.us/pr](http://biloxi.ms.us/pr). Late registration and costume and float sign up: 9 to 9:45 a.m. at parade start. Details: 228-388-7170, [programs@biloxi.ms.us](mailto:programs@biloxi.ms.us)

**Biloxi Youth Baseball and Softball Registration**, Feb. 3, 9 a.m.-noon, Donal M. Snyder Sr. Community Center, 2520 Pass Road. Registration is open to ages 4-12 for baseball and 5-15 for softball. Online registration will continue until all teams are full. Visit online at [biloxi.ms.us/pr](http://biloxi.ms.us/pr) for online information. Fees range from \$30 to \$90. Details: 228-388-7170

**8th Annual Krewe of Barkloxi PAWrade**, Feb. 4, 11 a.m., Point Cadet Pavilion, 121 Cadet St. This family-friendly event with furry fun is presented by the Humane Society of South Mississippi. Vendors and sponsors: \$50-\$250. Registration: \$15-\$20. To register your dog(s) visit [www.hssm.org/events/krewe-of-barkloxi-pawrade](http://www.hssm.org/events/krewe-of-barkloxi-pawrade). Details: 228-435-6149, [info@biloxibayareachamber.org](mailto:info@biloxibayareachamber.org)

**Seniors Mardi Gras Bash**, Feb. 9, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Donal M. Snyder Sr. Community Center, 2520 Pass Road. Adults ages 55 and older are invited to wear Mardi Gras attire while attending the afternoon bash. A King, Queen and Duke & Duchess will be crowned and hors d'oeuvres, music by DJ, and door prizes will be part of the event. Free admission. Details and to RSVP: [seniors@biloxi.ms.us](mailto:seniors@biloxi.ms.us), 228-388-7170

**Bubbles and Bonbons**, Feb. 9, 6-8:30 p.m., Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art, 386 Beach Blvd. Grab your best gal pals for a Galentine's Day Night to commemorate and celebrate the women in your life. Enjoy tasting sparkling wines and sampling sweet and savory delicacies. Proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit exhibitions and outreach for OOMA. Admission: \$40. Details: [georgeohr.org/event/bubbles-and-bonbons](http://georgeohr.org/event/bubbles-and-bonbons)

**Special Needs Mardi Gras Ball & Dance**, Feb 9, 6-9 p.m., Donal M. Snyder Sr. Community Center, 2520 Pass Road. Mardi Gras themed event open to all with physical and mental disabilities. A King, Queen, Grand Duke and Duchess will be crowned by random drawing. Hors d'oeuvres, door prizes, and entertainment will be part of the event. Free admission. Details: 228-388-7170

**Krewe of Neptune Night Mardi Gras Parade**, Feb. 10, 5:30 p.m., Downtown. This year's theme: "Neptune Enters the Game." Parade will travel from Main Street to Beach Boulevard, west on Beach Boulevard to Lameuse Street, north on Lameuse to Dr. MLK Jr., west on MLK to Howard Avenue, west on Howard to Caillavet Street, and north on Caillavet to Bayview Avenue. Details: <https://kreweofneptune.org/>

**Gulf Coast Carnival Association Coronation Ball**, Feb. 12, 8 p.m., Mississippi Coast Coliseum, 2350 Beach Blvd. Witness the coronation of King d'Iberville and Queen Ixilib who will rule over Carnival for 2024! Admission is free but you must pick up a view card from the Biloxi Visitors Center. This year's theme: "Leaving You Spellbound." Details: [www.msgcca.org](http://www.msgcca.org), 228-432-8806

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

## Stay in touch

**BNews:** Welcome to the 69th 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 228-435-6336.

**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.

**BTV: Biloxi Television,** city's municipal TV channel, is a mix of current events, local history and local flavor, and monthly updates. Visit online at biloxi.ms.us/btv, and on Sparklight Channel 56.

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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

**Annual Gulf Coast Carnival Association Mardi Gras Parade,** Feb. 13, 1 p.m., Downtown. Parade route begins at Main Street and MLK Jr. Blvd., travels south on Reynoir Street, west on Beach Boulevard, north on Porter Avenue, east on Howard Avenue, and ends at Caillavet Street. Details: www.msgcca.org or 228-432-8806



**Bike Biloxi,** Feb. 20, 6 p.m.; downtown bike 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

**Main Street Book Club,** Feb. 22, 5:30 p.m., Jacked Up Coffee Bar, 999 Howard Ave. This month's book selection is yet to be decided. Free admission. Call Biloxi Main Street for more information. Details: 228-435-6339

**Gallery 782 15th Anniversary Celebration,** Feb. 23, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Gallery 782, 773 Jackson St. "A Little Birdie Told Me" Anniversary Exhibition with door prizes, raffle baskets, beverages, and hors d' oeuvres. Free admission. Details: 228-436-7782

**Annual Arbor Day Run/Walk/Roll for Disability Awareness,** Feb. 24, Biloxi Town Green, 710 Beach Blvd. Registration fee is \$25 per person. Early discount pre-registration of \$22 will be available through Feb 19 online. All participants receive a T-shirt and free trees while supplies last. Proceeds support the Disability Connection programs and events. Details: 228-604-4020, www.GulfCoastRunningClub.org

**Black History Program,** Feb. 27, 6-8 p.m., Dr. Frank Gruich Sr. Community Center, 591 Howard Ave. Event will feature speakers, musical selections, and food! Free admission. Details: 228-388-7170

**Grillin' On The Green 2024 applications,** now accepting vendors and grill teams for festival on March 16 at the Biloxi Town Green, 710 Beach Blvd. Deadline to apply: Feb. 29. Call after the deadline to check availability of space. For an application and to review guidelines and rules of competition contact Biloxi Main Street. Details: www.mainstreetbiloxi.com, 228-435-6339



**First Friday Block Party,** on hiatus in February. Returns return March 1! Event takes place on the first Friday of the month from 5-9 p.m. in downtown with live entertainment, vendors booths, and fun!! Plus, local food trucks and Fly Llama Brewing beverages! Details: 228-435-6339, mainstreet@biloxi.ms.us



**Biloxi Little Theatre**  
220 Lee St., 228-432-8543,  
www.4blt.org  
• **Mississippi Goddamn**  
Feb. 2-4

**Center Stage**  
2670 Rue Palafox, 228-388-6258  
centerstagebiloxi.com  
• **The Play That Goes Wrong**  
Feb. 22-March 3

### Beauvoir, The Jefferson Davis Home & Presidential Library

2244 Beach Blvd., 228-388-4400, www.visitbeauvoir.org  
• **8th Annual Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknown,** Feb. 10, 10 a.m.  
• **Living History, Reenactors and Living Historians,** Feb. 17, 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.

### Biloxi Excel By 5

Lopez School, 140 St. John Ave., 228-297-6808, susan.hunt@biloxi.schools.net  
• Community-based certification program to improve child's overall well-being by age 5  
• <https://excelby5.com/communities/biloxi/biloxi-calendar/>

### 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.  
• Group charters available, up to 44 people

**Biloxi Shrimping Trip**

693 Beach Blvd., 228-392-8645, [www.biloxishrimpingtrip.com](http://www.biloxishrimpingtrip.com)

**Biloxi Tour Train**

Biloxi Lighthouse Park parking lot, south of Biloxi Visitors Center, traffic light #40, 228-374-8687, [www.biloxitourtrain.com](http://www.biloxitourtrain.com) • Call in advance for tour availability

**Coastal Mississippi Mardi Gras Museum**

792 Howard Ave., 228-314-4747, [museum@coastalmardigras.com](mailto: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](http://co.harrison.ms.us/departments/senior/services)  
• Open 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Monday-Friday

**KAFB Farmer's Market**

625 Marina Dr. 228-377-2821, [BOS.81FSS.Vandenburg@us.af.mil](mailto:BOS.81FSS.Vandenburg@us.af.mil)  
• First Friday of each month, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Marina Park (Open to those with base access)

**Kroc Center, MS Gulf Coast, The Salvation Army**

575 Division St., 228-207-1218, [krocmscoast.com](http://krocmscoast.com)  
• **Kroc Kids Choir, Wednesdays**, 3:45-4:30 p.m. Open to grades 1-6; free to after care participants; \$80 for guest  
• **Mardi Gras Camp**, Feb. 12, 14, 15, & 16, 7 a.m.-6 p.m., Open to ages 5-12 years old. Fee: \$100  
• **Theater Workshop**, Feb. 24, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Lunch provided. Open to ages 8-15. Fee: \$30

**Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum**

115 1st Street, 228-435-6320, [www.maritimemuseum.org](http://www.maritimemuseum.org)  
• Open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m.  
• **Along Beach Blvd. Revisited**, Herb Willey Art Show, 3rd floor, now through March 29

**Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art**

386 Beach Blvd., 228-374-5547, [www.georgeohr.org](http://www.georgeohr.org)  
• Check the website for events and studio classes at OOMA!  
• **Bubbles & Bonbons**, Feb. 9, 6 p.m., A Galantine's Day Affair. Admission: \$40  
• **Date Night at the Pottery Wheel**, Feb. 16 & 23, 6 p.m., Ages 18 & up. Admission: \$40  
• **Jambalaya Cooking Class with Julian Brunt**, Feb. 17, 4 p.m. Call for tickets  
• **Sandal Making with Sabrina Stallworth**, Feb. 24, 12 p.m. Call for tickets

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

1046 Howard Ave., 228-435-6119, 228-435-6200, [www.biloxi.ms.us](http://www.biloxi.ms.us)  
• Historic 1937 firehouse open Saturdays 9 a.m.-2 p.m. or by appointment

**Biloxi Elks 606 Lodge of Biloxi**

1178 Beach Blvd., 228-374-0606  
• **Friday Bingo**, Feb. 2, 9, 16, & 23. 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, 6 p.m.  
• **Karaoke with Kenny**, Fridays at 7 p.m.

**Joppa Shrine**

13280 Shriners Blvd., 601-917-1027  
• **Steak Night**, Feb. 9, 6-8 p.m. Last ticket sold by 7:15 p.m. \$20. Dine-in or for carry-out. Details: 228-392-9345

**Mississippi Coast Historical & Genealogical Society**

591 Howard Ave. (2nd floor), Frank Gruich Community Center, 228-396-1543  
• **Meeting**, Feb. 18, 2-4 p.m.

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish Monday Bingo**

315 Tara Lane, 228-388-3887  
• **Monday Bingo**, Feb. 5, 12, 19, & 26. Doors open at 5 p.m., Early Bird games at 6:30 p.m., regular games at 7 p.m. Details: 228-388-3887

**The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish**

870 Howard Ave., 228-374-1717  
• **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](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 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 3:30 p.m.; Biloxi Community Development auditorium, 676 MLK Blvd. Details: 228-435-6266

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30 <b>Community Market</b>	31	1 <b>Community Market</b>	2	3
	Monday Night Bingo Our Lady of Fatima	Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral	Kroc Kids Choir Kroc Center	PCA Rodeo Finals MS Coast Coliseum	Seafood Dinners/ Karaoke with Kenny Fleur de Lis Society  Friday Bingo Biloxi Elks Lodge  Mississippi Goddamn Biloxi Little Theatre  PCA Rodeo Finals MS Coast Coliseum  Rodney Carrington Beau Rivage	GCCA Run for the Beads 5k Mardi Gras Museum  Children's Walking Parade Downtown Biloxi  Baseball/Softball Reg. Donal M. Snyder Sr. Community Center  Mississippi Goddamn Biloxi Little Theatre  PCA Rodeo Finals MS Coast Coliseum  Rodney Carrington Beau Rivage
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25	26	27 <b>Community Market</b>	28	29 <b>Community Market</b>	1	2
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