

Best Bets!



Let's play ball! Biloxi Shuckers Baseball Returns!

April home games:

- April 3, VS. Pearl River Wildcats (Exhibition Game)
- April 5-7, VS. Montgomery Biscuits
- April 16-21, VS. Chattanooga Lookouts

Gates open 65 minutes before the start of the game. Tickets: 228-233-3465, biloxishuckers.com. 105 Caillavet St.

Sprint to the finish line

The annual sprint triathlon, Traditions Triathlon, takes place on April 20 at the story-book neighborhood of The Village



at Traditions. Participants will begin at 8 a.m. with a 600-yard flat lake swim followed by a challenging 16.2-mile bike with some steep climbs, and finish with a 5K throughout the community. The triathlon is open to beginners and seasoned athletes. There will also be a post-race party with an awards ceremony, fruit, food, and beer. For registration fees for individuals or teams, visit online at gulfoastrunningclub.org.

Gulf Coast Military & Civilian Job Fair, April 2, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Biloxi Civic Center, 578 Howard Ave. Free admission. Details: jobfairs.ms.gov/2024-gulf-coast-military-civilian-job-fair



First Friday Block Party, April 5, 5-9 p.m., 932 Howard Ave. (Back Yard). Entertainment by: Titus Gillard Blues Power Band at 5.p.m., and Karate Kids at 7 p.m.! The Biloxi Tour Train will be on hand to give rides from the Saenger Parking lot for First Friday and the Shuckers Opening Day of baseball. Food trucks, vendors and FUN! Admission is free. Details: 228-435-6339

Concerts on the Causeway, April 10, 6-8-p.m. Biloxi Causeway Park, 500 Causeway Dr. Season 2 kickoff. The family/pet-friendly event features Lowry Hamner. No coolers or outside food; bring your lawn chairs. All proceeds will benefit "Advocates for Freedom." Details: @concertsonthecauseway on Facebook



Bike Biloxi, April 16, 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

City of Biloxi Summer Playground Registration, North Woolmarket Elementary, April 13, 9 a.m.-noon, Woolmarket Elementary Gym, 12513 John Lee Road. Program open to ages 5 to 12. Only 75 spots available. Fees begin at \$20. Camp is from June 3 to July 19. For fees and requirement information for registration, visit online at biloxi.ms.us/pr. Details: 228-388-7170, playground@biloxi.ms.us.

City of Biloxi Summer Playground Registration, Biloxi Upper Elementary, Michele Gym, April 20, 9 a.m.-noon, Donal M. Snyder Sr. Community Center, 2520 Pass Road. Program open to ages 5 to 12. Only 75 spots available at both sites. Fees begin at \$20. Camp is from June 3 to July 12. For fees and requirement information for registration, visit online at biloxi.ms.us/pr. Details: 228-388-7170, playground@biloxi.ms.us.



Shamrockin The Coast, April 20, 7-11 p.m., Biloxi Civic Center, 578 Howard Ave. Entertainment by Blue Rhythm Band. Details: e.givesmart.com/events/APZ/

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Spruce up your area

In celebration of Earth Day, the public is encouraged to clean up businesses, schools, homes, or somewhere else they may be in Biloxi on April 22. Just walk around your area for 15 minutes, pick up trash, and spruce up your area. The Biloxi Downtown Services/ Biloxi Main Street office will have bags and gloves available. Call the office at 228-435-6339 for more information.

Stay in touch

BNews: Welcome to the 71st 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.

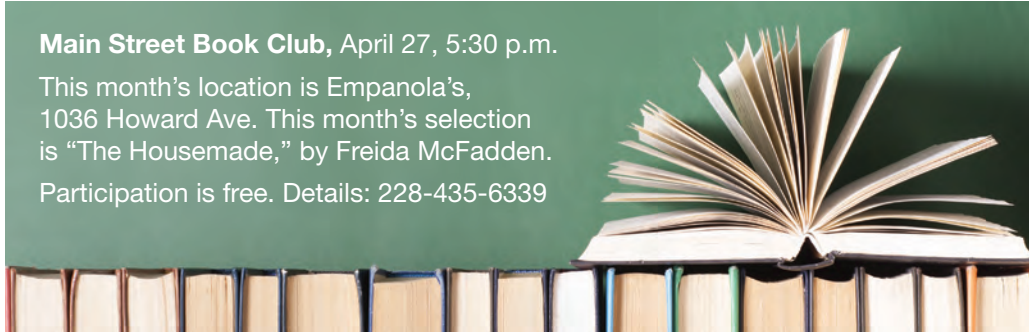
- Animal Control 392-0641
- Auto Tag/Property Tax Information 435-8242
- Birth Certificates 601-576-7960
- Building Permits 435-6270
- Business Licenses 435-6280
- Citizen services (streets, lights) 435-6271
- City Council 435-6257
- City Court 435-6125
- Code Enforcement 435-0841
- Drivers Licenses 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

Tradition Triathlon presented by Gulf Coast Running Club, April 20, 8-10 a.m., The Village at Tradition, 12661 Village Ave. W. This race course will consist of a 600-yard flat lake swim around the perimeter of Tradition Lake; a 16.2-mile bike course that is challenging with a few sharp climbs; and 5K run through the Village at Tradition. Details: gulfcoastrunningclub.org.

Earth Day Celebration Cleanup, April 22, All Day. The public is encouraged to take 15 minutes out of their day and clean up at their business, school, home, or wherever they may be on the day. For bags and gloves contact: 228-435-6339

MSCANFEST, April 20, Noon -8 p.m., Biloxi Town Green, 710 Beach Blvd. Daytime educational sessions, exhibitors, vendors, food trucks, and local bands. Admission: \$10-\$65. Details: <https://www.facebook.com/mscanfest>

Special Needs Prom, April 26, 6-9 p.m. Donal Snyder Sr. Community Center, 2520 Pass Road,. Open to all with physical and mental disabilities. Details: 228-388-7170.



Main Street Book Club, April 27, 5:30 p.m.

This month's location is Empanola's, 1036 Howard Ave. This month's selection is "The Housemade," by Freida McFadden. Participation is free. Details: 228-435-6339



Biloxi Little Theatre
220 Lee St., 228-432-8543,
www.4blt.org
• **One Thousand Words**
April 19-20 & 26-28

Center Stage
2670 Rue Palafox, 228-388-6258
centerstagebiloxi.com
• **Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?**
April 18-28

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

Biloxi Excel By 5
Lopez School, 140 St. John Ave., 228-297-6808
• Community-based certification program to improve child's overall well-being by age 5

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
• Walk on Sails, minimum of 6 passengers, \$30/adult & \$15/child ages 3-12, check website for dates.

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., Monday-Friday

KAFB Farmer’s Market

625 Marina Dr. 228-377-2821, 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

- **Blood Drive**, April 16, 1-5 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room

Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum

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

- Hours of operation: Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m.
- **Art Exhibit “Third In Line”** April 4-June 30, Opening Reception & Book Signing, April 4, 5:30-7 p.m.
- **Sea-n-Sail Adventure Camp 2024**, June 3-7, 10-14, 17-21 (ages 6-8 only), 24-28 and July 8-12, 15-19, 22-26. Open to ages 6-12. Book early to reserve your preferred week. Price: \$275 per child/week (deposit of \$50 required at registration). 20% discount for 3+ children in family. Details: www.maritimemuseum.org

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

Biloxi Elks 606 Lodge of Biloxi

1178 Beach Blvd., 228-374-0606

- **Friday Bingo**, April 5, 12, 19, & 26. Doors open at 4 p.m.; Card Sales at 5:30 p.m., Early bird games at 6:30 p.m.; and 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**, April 12, 6-8 p.m. Last ticket sold by 7:15 p.m., \$20. Dine-in or carry-out. Details: 228-392-9345
- **Joppa Shriners Golf Tournament**, April 27, Details: 228-547-7276, 601-917-1027, or 228-669-1840

Mississippi Coast Historical & Genealogical Society

Dr. Frank Gruich Sr. Community Center, 591 Howard Ave. (2nd floor

- April 21, 2-4 p.m., Speakers: Dan Lee, Doug Wall, and Michele Lee portraying Gov. Galvez and Oliver Pollack, MS Coast connection to the American Revolution. Details: 228-396-1543

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

315 Tara Lane, 228-388-3887

- **Monday Bingo**, April 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. 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

- **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 3:30 p.m.; Biloxi Community Development auditorium, 676 MLK Blvd. Details: 228-435-6266

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<p>31</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Monday Night Bingo Our Lady of Fatima</p>	<p>2 Community Market</p> <p>Gulf Coast Military & Civilian Job Fair Biloxi Civic Center</p> <p>Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Pearl River Wildcats at Biloxi Shuckers (Exhibition) Shuckers Ballpark</p>	<p>4 Community Market</p> <p>Lynyrd Skynyrd & ZZ Top MS Coast Coliseum</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Friday Bingo Biloxi Elks Lodge</p> <p>First Friday Block Party Downtown Biloxi MS Sea Wolves MS Coast Coliseum Shuckers vs. Biscuits Shuckers Ballpark Seafood Dinners Fleur de Lis Society Karaoke with Kenny Fleur de Lis Society KAFB Farmer's Market Marina Park Mitchell Tenpenny Hard Rock</p>	<p>6</p> <p>MS Sea Wolves MS Coast Coliseum Shuckers vs. Biscuits Shuckers Ballpark</p> <p>Home Free IP Casino</p>
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