

Best Bets!

Biloxi Shuckers Baseball

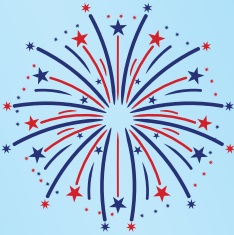
105 Caillavet St., Admission prices start at \$9 for standing room tickets, and all other tickets start at \$15. Details: 228-233-3465



- **VS Pensacola Blue Wahoos**, July 4-6 (starting times vary)
- **VS Birmingham Barons**, July 8-13 (starting times vary)
- **VS Rocket City Trash Pandas**, July 22-27 (starting times vary)

Fireworks galore over Biloxi

Nothing better than celebrating America's Independence with a baseball game and a Fireworks Extravaganza! And this year, there are two fireworks shows to celebrate the Fourth of July. On Friday, July 4, the Biloxi Shuckers host an Independence Day Patriotic Fireworks Extravaganza at Keesler Federal Park after the Shuckers vs. Pensacola Blue Wahoos game.



Also on July 4, the waterfront will light up with a fireworks display that begins at 9 p.m. The annual spectacle, hosted by the Boom Boom Committee and sponsored by the City of Biloxi and Harrison County Board of Supervisors, will be visible from the beachfront between the Biloxi Lighthouse and the Biloxi Bay Bridge. Spectators can also take a ride aboard the Biloxi Schooner and watch the display from the Mississippi Sound.

Mass of Deceased Fishermen, Blessing of the Fleet, July 3, 6 p.m., St. Michael Catholic Church, 177 1st.



First Friday, July 4, 5-9 p.m., Biloxi Town Green, 710 Beach Blvd. Enjoy First Friday and Biloxi's Fireworks show! Great food vendors, arts and crafts vendors, and refreshing Fly Llama beverages. Live music from the Six String Andrew with Test Drive at 5 p.m. and Unfazed Show & Band at 7 p.m. Free admission. Details: 228-435-6339

Independence Day Fireworks Extravaganza, July 4, 9 p.m., Visible from beachfront areas between Biloxi Lighthouse and Biloxi Bay Bridge. The annual spectacle is hosted by the Boom Boom Committee and sponsored by the City of Biloxi and Harrison County Board of Supervisors.

Take a Fireworks Cruise Aboard a Biloxi Schooner, July 4, 7-9:30 p.m. Schooner Pier, 367 Beach Blvd. Admission: \$45 per adult; \$25 for children (ages 3-12). Details: 228-435-6320

Kroc & Roll Sunset Run, July 5, 6:30 p.m. Biloxi Bay Bridge. Walk or run across the stunning bridge at sunset. Open to all ages. Fee: \$15-\$20. Details: krocmscoast.org

Coronation of the Biloxi Shrimp King and Queen, July 5, 6 p.m., Croatian Cultural Center (Slavonian Lodge), 159 Maple St. View this culturally significant ceremony, which is part of the Blessing of the Fleet weekend. See young women of the community represent the Biloxi seafood industry and their ancestral ties to the bounty of the Gulf of Mexico, the cornerstone on which Biloxi was built. Free admission. Details: stmichaelchurchbiloxi.com/blessing-of-the-fleet

96th Annual Biloxi Blessing of the Fleet Shrimp Festival, July 6, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Harrah's Great Lawn, 280 Beach Blvd. Princess Pageant-11:15 a.m. Wreath drop at 12:30 p.m. signals the beginning of the blessing. Boat parade is visible from Harrah's Great Lawn. Admission: \$5. Witness the blessing of the commercial shrimping and fishing vessels, as well as pleasure craft. Feast on Biloxi boiled shrimp! Other food vendors available, plus arts and crafts vendors. Headliner at 2 p.m.: Bag of Donuts! Details: 228-435-5578

9th Annual Immunization Fair for School-Aged Children, July 9 & 10, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Biloxi High Sports Arena, 765 Wells Dr. Immunization fair open to returning students in Biloxi schools and school-aged children from out-of-state schools registering for the first time in Mississippi schools. Document required: insurance card (if insured), photo ID, shot records. Details: 228-297-6808, 228-374-1810

Don't Worry Be Happy, July 11, 7-10 p.m., Biloxi Civic Center, 578 Howard Ave. The Mental Health Association of South Mississippi presents Don't Worry Be Happy to help raise awareness and funds for community programs. Event includes awards, honorees, food tasting, games, a silent auction, and fun. Details: 228-864-6274



Bike Biloxi, July 15, 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 are recommended. Details: 228-435-6339

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Biloxi Blessing of the Fleet Shrimp Festival

Witness the Blessing event while enjoying the live music, arts and crafts vendors, and delicious boiled shrimp with all the trimmings during the Biloxi Blessing of the Fleet Shrimp Festival on Sunday, July 6, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Harrah's Great Lawn, 280 Beach Blvd. The Princess Pageant will begin at 11:15 a.m., and the wreath drop and boat blessing will begin at 12:30 p.m. in the Biloxi Channel. During the event, the 2025 Blessing of the Fleet poster and T-shirt will be available for purchase. There will also be live music throughout the festivities with headliner Bag of Donuts at 2 p.m. Admission: \$5. Details: 228-435-5578

Stay in touch

BNews: Welcome to the 86th 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



Breakfast With the Mayor, July 16, 8 a.m., Hard Rock Casino, 777 Beach Blvd. Admission is free for Biloxi Chamber members, \$25 for potential members. Register at mscoastchamber.com. Details: 228-604-0014

Golf Cart Inspections and Registration Day, July 23, 3-7 p.m., Dr. Frank Gruich Sr. Community Center, 591 Howard Ave. Make your golf cart legal. Visit with golf card for inspection and pay \$75. Details: 228-435-6100, biloxi.ms.us/golfcarts

Main Street Book Club

July 24, 5:30 p.m., Jacked Up Coffee Bar, 999 Howard Ave. July's selection: "The Wedding People" by Alison Espach. Free admission. Drinks/dinner are at participants' expense. Details: 228-435-6339



Biloxi Little Theatre
220 Lee St., 228-432-8543
www.4blt.org
• **12 Angry Jurors**
July 24-27

Center Stage
2670 Rue Palafox, 228-388-6258
centerstagebiloxi.com
• **Honky Tonk Angels**
July 17-27

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 & \$20/child ages 3-12, check website for dates
- Reserve your space today for 4th of July Fireworks aboard the schooner. \$45 for adults; \$25 for ages 3-12

Biloxi Shrimping Trip

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

Biloxi Tour Train

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

- Call in advance for tour availability

Coastal Mississippi Mardi Gras Museum

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

- Open weekdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., open Saturdays by appointment

Edgewater Mall

2600 Beach Blvd., 228-388-3424

- **Christmas In July,** July 1-13
- **Gulf Coast Artist Unlimited Art Show,** July 18-20
- **Red Cross Blood Drive,** July 21
- **Rotary Children's Health Fair,** July 26
- **Harrison County Hero Red Cross Blood Drive,** July 28

Gallery 782 – An Artists Co-op

773 Jackson St., 228-436-7782

Open 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday

- **Gallery 782 FIRST FRIDAY Lemonade Stand** – Support your local, downtown artists' co-op by buying delicious, ice-cold lemonade! July 4 at First Friday, 5-9 p.m., on the Biloxi Town Green, 710 Beach Blvd.

Harrison County East Biloxi Senior Center461 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 Market625 Marina Dr., 228-376-2821, 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 Army575 Division St., 228-207-1218, krocmscoast.com

- **Kroc and Roll Sunset Run**, July 5, 6:30 p.m. Scenic evening run across the stunning Biloxi Bay Bridge at sunset. All ages, fee: \$15-\$20
- **Broadway Bootcamp**, July 7-11, 1-3 p.m. Become a star! Students will explore musical theater through dance, voice, and acting. Ages 10-16, fee: \$65
- **STEM Exploration**, July 7-10, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Campers will experience a day each of 3D design, coding, electronics, and robotics. Ages 12-17, fee: \$75
- **Volleyball Camp Session Two**, July 7-11, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Develop your passing, setting, footwork, serving, spiking, and conditioning. Ages 11-15, fee: \$75
- **Soccer Camp Session Two**, July 14-18, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Enhance your footwork, dribbling, passing, scoring, ball control, and explosiveness. Ages 8-15, fee: \$75

Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum115 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.

- **4th of July Fireworks Cruise aboard a Biloxi Schooner**, July 4, 7-9:30 p.m. Schooner Pier, 367 Beach Blvd. Admission: \$45 per adult; \$25 for children (ages 3-12). Details: 228-435-6320

Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art386 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 Museum1046 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**, July 4, 11, 18, & 25. Doors open at 4 p.m.; Card sales at 5:30 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.

Biloxi Yacht Club

386 Beach Blvd. (In the Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art), 228-374-6344

Fleur de Lis Society of Biloxi (French Club)

182 Howard Ave., 228-436-6472

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

Joppa Shrine

13280 Shriners Blvd., 601-917-1027

- **Steak Night**, July 11; 6-8 p.m. Last ticket sold at 7:15 p.m., \$20, dine-in or carry out. 228-392-9345
- **Dance**, July 19, \$10 per person at the door

Mississippi Coast Historical & Genealogical Society

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

- Details: 228-438-4636

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Monday Bingo

315 Tara Lane, 228-388-3887

- **Monday Bingo**, July 7, 14, 21 & 28, 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 Bingo

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. (Call for holiday hours) Details: 228-374-1717

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: Biloxi Parks & Rec., 228-388-7170

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:**

biloxi.ms.us/publicmeetings

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: **first Wednesday of each month at 3:30 p.m.**; Biloxi Community Development conference room, 676 MLK Blvd. Details: 228-435-6266

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Community Market Christmas in July July 1-13 Edgewater Mall Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral	2	3 Community Market Biloxi Fun Run Altered Reality Brewing	4 Dinner & Karaoke with Kenny Fleur de Lis Society Friday Bingo – Biloxi Elks Lodge KAFB Farmers Market First Friday – Biloxi Town Green Lemonade Stand – Gallery 782 Shuckers vs. Blue Wahoos Keesler Federal Park Independence Day Fireworks Extravaganza Fireworks Cruise Biloxi Schooner Duelling Pianos – Beau Rivage	5 Kroc & Roll Sunset Run Biloxi Bay Bridge Coronation of the Biloxi Shrimp King & Queen Croation Cultural Center Shuckers vs. Blue Wahoos Keesler Federal Park Chee Weez Hard Rock Live
6 Blessing of the Fleet Shrimp Festival Harrah’s Great Lawn Shuckers vs. Blue Wahoos Keesler Federal Park	7 Broadway Bootcamp, STEM Exploration, and Volleyball Camp Kroc Center Monday Night Bingo Our Lady of Fatima	8 Community Market Broadway Bootcamp, STEM Exploration, and Volleyball Camp Kroc Center Shuckers vs. Barons Keesler Federal Park Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral	9 Immunization Fair for School-Aged Children Biloxi High Sports Arena Shuckers vs. Barons Keesler Federal Park Broadway Bootcamp, STEM Exploration, and Volleyball Camp Kroc Center	10 Community Market Biloxi Fun Run Altered Reality Brewing Immunization Fair/ School Children Biloxi High Sports Arena Shuckers vs. Barons Broadway Bootcamp, STEM and Volleyball Camp Kroc Center Matt Matthews IP Casino	11 Dinner & Karaoke with Kenny Fleur de Lis Society Friday Bingo – Biloxi Elks Lodge Steak Night – Joppa Shrine Don’t Worry Be Happy Biloxi Civic Center Shuckers vs. Barons Broadway Bootcamp/ Volleyball – Kroc Center Matt Matthews – IP Casino Velcro Pygmies – Sanctuary Duelling Pianos – Beau Rivage	12 Shuckers vs. Barons Keesler Federal Park
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20 Art Show Edgewater Mall Honky Tonk Angels Center Stage	21 Red Cross Blood Drive Edgewater Mall Honky Tonk Angels Center Stage Monday Night Bingo Our Lady of Fatima	22 Community Market Honky Tonk Angels Center Stage Shuckers vs. Trash Panda Keesler Federal Park Biloxi Bingo Mania Nativity Cathedral	23 Golf Cart Inspections and Registration Day Frank Gruich Sr. Community Center Honky Tonk Angels – Center Stage Shuckers vs. Trash Panda Keesler Federal Park	24 Community Market Biloxi Fun Run Altered Reality Brewing Main St. Book Club Jacked Up Coffee Bar Shuckers vs. Trash Panda Keesler Federal Park 12 Angry Jurors Biloxi Little Theatre Honky Tonk Angels Center Stage	25 Dinner & Karaoke with Kenny Fleur de Lis Society Friday Bingo Biloxi Elks Lodge 12 Angry Jurors Biloxi Little Theatre Shuckers vs. Trash Panda Keesler Federal Park Honky Tonk Angels – Center Stage Duelling Pianos – Beau Rivage	26 Rotary Children’s Health Fair Edgewater Mall 12 Angry Jurors Biloxi Little Theatre Shuckers vs. Trash Panda Keesler Federal Park MS Natural Hair & Beauty Expo – Biloxi Civic Center Honky Tonk Angels Center Stage
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