

THE JUNE ISLANDER

Next meeting June 20 in the Civic Hall at the SGI Firehouse, 324 E. Pine Avenue

Social 6:30 p.m., Meeting 7:00 p.m. The speaker will address the need for storm shutters

BYOB and a covered dish

Sheriff Mike Mock Addresses Membership

Franklin County Sheriff Mike Mock talked about his goals for Franklin County and St. George Island, followed by a question and answer session.



Sheriff Mike Mock

Mike said he was employed by the citizens of Franklin County and would do his best to serve us. He mentioned that losing the last election to Skip Shiver was very hard but made him determined to do a better job. Mike was asked about providing more visibility of Deputies, not only during Chili Cookoff and Spring Break, but throughout the year. One member related a deputy

once came by to introduce herself and to say that she was going to be on the Island that day. The member said that as a volunteer in Lighthouse Park, it was good to know that the deputy was available. Mike not only made note of this, but took notes on almost every question he was asked. He also clarified who was in charge of closing the bridge during storms and replied that the DOT was responsible for closing the bridge whenever sustained winds exceeded 50 mph. He acknowledged that some people blamed Commissioner Pinki Jackel for the bridge closing during Tropical Storm Debby last year. He said that just was not true. Some other members suggested that they station a deputy on the Island side of the bridge to stop people from going across and then not being allowed to return. He made a note of this and said he would look into finding better ways to handle the closing of the bridge. *(Editor's note: Mike Mock was not Sheriff during Tropical Storm Debby.)*

Glynda Ratliff Volunteers as Civic Club Treasurer

Glynda Ratliff has agreed to finish out 2013 as Civic Club Treasurer. Glynda was a Director on the Board for the Civic Club in 2011 and 2012. A vote will be held at the next club meeting.

Former Treasurer Ann Giknis resigned after she and husband Fran bought property in Williamsburg, Virginia, to be nearer to their son and other relatives. They will maintain their residence on SGI for visits.

Summer Bingo Returns

The Civic Club sponsored Bingo began on Tuesday,



June 4 and had 85 enthusiastic players attend. The proceeds from are shared between the players and the club. It is held on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. at the SGI firehouse.

Volunteers at SGI Lighthouse enjoy Sunset Cruise

Volunteers at St. George Lighthouse Park and Museum with spouses and significant others, many of them Civic Club members, were treated to a low-country boil on Little St. George on May 23. The Lighthouse Association and Journeys of St. George combined to sponsor the trip to thank the volunteers for their help. The trip was scheduled as a cruise, but Mother Nature did not cooperate as high winds made the Bay very choppy.



Carol Talley, Sherri Roberts and Ed Barnell, all Civic Club members, enjoying Little St. George

A few intrepid volunteers did take the boat ride to Little St. George, but the majority piled into vehicles to drive to the end of the Plantation and were



Oysters and beverages ferried across the Bob Sykes Cut. Upon arrival they were treated to fresh

Apalachicola oysters and beverages.

As Terry Kemp wrote in the SGLA newsletter: "Joe Brown cooked the traditional boil of shrimp, sausage, and corn -- with one small twist: The boil did not include the usual red potatoes, as the bag of potatoes was blown off Joe's boat during the trip across the churning bay!" Over 30 residents enjoyed the evening and did get to see the sun set.

Upcoming Events

St. George Island

Annual SGI Mullet Toss

June 8 sponsored by the Blue Parrot. Registration begins at 10:00, festivities at 11:00. Adults \$25, Children \$15. The event benefits the Apalachicola Bay Charter School.

Eastpoint

Fisherman's Choice Kids Fishing Tournament

Charles and Rex Pennycuff are hosting their 14th annual Fisherman's Choice Youth Fishing Tournament on June 8th. Kids 16 and under will fish for fresh and saltwater species. Call Fisherman's Choice for more information at (850) 670-8808.

Carrabelle

Special guest to sing at the Camp Gordon Johnston WWII Museum

Jennifer Duncan from Columbus, Georgia will be special guest on Saturday, June 8th at the Camp Gordon Johnston WWII Museum. Jennifer will be singing and entertaining with some of the

great songs from the 1930s and 1940s, the program will be 11:00 to 11:45 a.m. at 1001 Gray Ave., Carrabelle. Jennifer has entertained many historical, military and veterans groups including the Military Officers Association of America, World War II Heritage Days, The National Infantry Museum, and the West Georgia Honor Flights for WWII veterans. For more information call: 850-697-8575.

Big Bend Saltwater Classic

Friday, June 14 through Sunday, June 16 Father's Day Weekend Event with more than \$50,000 in cash and prizes. For more information call: 850-216-2272 or go to saltwaterclassic.com

Thanks to the Franklin County Tourist Development Council for Upcoming Events.

<http://www.saltyflorida.com/events>

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