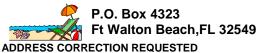
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#### OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION, Inc.



Next Meeting: LOCATION: Okaloosa Island Fire Station, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room TIME: 7:00 p.m. DATE: Monday, April 8, 2019.

**PARKING:** Park behind the Fire Station next to the water tank.

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# **The OIL Lantern**

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# **Meeting Agenda**

DATE: Monday, April 8, 2019 TIME: 7:00 p.m. Place: Okaloosa Island Fire Station, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Rm

I. Call to Order Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

II. ROLL CALL

Comments by President David Hancock About Items in His President's Report Published in the April 2019 OIL Lantern

SPEAKER: Sergeant Brian Parkton of the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Special Operations Division to talk about the countered efforts to eliminate floating structures and derelict boats

**III. ANNOUNCEMENTS** If you speak, please state your name, address and if you are a member.

**IV. MINUTES:** No minutes were taken for the March 11, 2019 meeting. A quorum of the officers was not present. The draft minutes from February 2019 Meeting Need to be Approved.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT March 11,2019 Treasurer's Report: Jim Simpson

#### **VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. February/March 2019
Architectural Report (printed in April 2019 OIL Lantern
B. Membership: - JIm Simpson
C. WebSite: Bob Seitz
D..Street Lighting MSBU:
Paula Hudson
E. Beautification Committee

#### VII. OLD BUSINESS

Vote on discontinuing the insurance for the banners; the errors and omission insurance stays.

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Committee Recommendations to Tighten Up OILA Voting Procedures

# OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS PRESIDENT'S REPORT – DAVID HANCOCK

March has been a great month for Okaloosa Island Leaseholders. Lots of progress is being made for OKalaoosa Island - everyone needs to keep up their efforts and maintain focus because there is still lots to do.

I hope every one enjoyed the presentation at the March OILA meeting by Okaloosa County Lifeguards Chief Rich Hufnagel. This will be followed up at the April meeting by Sergeant Brian Parkton of the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Special Operations Division to talk about the countered efforts to eliminate floating structures and derelict boats. This has been a frequent area of complaint by OILA members. In particular will explain the Okaloosa County Floating Structure ordinance.

At the March 25 Okaloosa County Commission approved proceeding with the Veterans Park Servicewomen's Memorial. This is a significant opportunity as Okaloosa County has the chance to build a unique and world class monument honoring the contributions of women veterans. This project is in the concept phase right - designs are needed and then costs determined. This will not happen overnight but it is a a project worthy of OILA support.

At this writing Okaloosa County Public Works is working to implement the long awaited crosswalks for Santa Rosa Boulevard. Money is being spent and designs are being made. This is frankly sooner than I expected. Even more encouraging is news from Public Works that planning is scheduled to start for the long awaited Santa Rosa Boulevard improvements like pedestrian pathways this fall.

Yesterday we had a kickoff meeting with the project manager for landscaping improvements for the medians on Santa Rosa Boulevard. Mr. Micahael Anderson of Okaloosa County Public works who is the project manager for this effort was there along with members of the beautification committee. He took back a list of what the committee requested to Crestview for their comments and also for working out the cost. We have waited a long time for this to happen!

Finally at the April meeting the committee established to tighten up OILA voting procedures will present their recommendations. Note that no existing rules or bylaws will be changed.

I hope to see everyone Monday April 8.

ISLAND RAINFALL FOR MARCH 2019:	THIS MONTH IN HISTORY – APRIL				
1.6 INCHES March 10.1 inches March 31.0 inches	<b>April 6, 1917:</b> US entered the World War on the side of the Allied Powers of Britain, France, and Russia against the Triple Alliance of Germany, Austria-Hungary and Italy.				
March 5 <b>0.3</b> inches March 11 <b>0.1</b> inches March 15 <b>0.1</b> inches	<b>April 12, 1861</b> : The American Civil War began as Confederate troops under the command of General Pierre Beauregard opened fire at 4:30 a.m. on Fort Sumter in Charleston, South Carolina.				
Avg Rainfall for February <b>5.8</b> inches Variance to Avg Rainfall for March - <b>4.2</b> inches	<b>April 13,1997</b> : Tiger Woods becomes the youngest golfer to win golf's Masters Tournament				
April Avg Rainfall <b>3.7</b> inches April Record High <b>92º F</b> (1985)	<b>April 25, 1901:</b> New York becomes the first U.S. state to require automobile license plates.				
April Record Low <b>20° F</b> (1987)           Apr Avg Water Temperature <b>72° F</b>	<b>April 29, 1913</b> : Gideon Sundback of Hoboken, N.J. patents the zipper.				
May Avg Rainfall <b>4.0</b> inches May Record High <b>101° F</b> (1953) May Record Low <b>38° F</b> (1971)	JOIN THE LEASEHOLDERS! LET YOUR OPINIONS BE HEARD!				
May Avg Water Temperature78° F	FOR A MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION CLICK ON THE ASSOCIATION'S WEBPAGE:				
Year to Date to Variance – 10.4 inches	WWW.OILAWEB.COM OR				
Year to Date Rainfall	CONTACT JIM SIMPSON AT (850) 585-2116 OR BY EMAIL AT <u>SANLEANNA@COX.NET</u>				

# WUZZLE PUZZLES

- What is a Wuzzle Puzzle? It is a puzzle consisting of combinations of words, letters, figures, or symbols positioned to create disguised words, phases, names, places, etc. Are you ready to take the challenge and figure out the "disguised" meaning of these wuzzles? Good luck. The answers are available on the last page of this newsletter.

## Wuzzle No. 1

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Wuzzle No. 2

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**INTRODUCING A NEW SECTION TO** 

#### Wuzzle No. 3

Wuzzle No. 4





# New

# **THE OIL LANTERN!** - The Editor, Jim Simpson On the following page is the first Okaloosa Island's

FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS section.

This section will be used in future editions to hi-light activities on the Island. Do you have a son or daughter who has completed military training? If yes, send the OIL Lantern a photo and details. Same with graduations, awards, honors, special events, island activities, donations and Snowbird news.

The purpose of this new section is to create a sense of unity and identity among those who own property or live on Okaloosa Island. We are all "Islanders" and are interested in "What's Happening" with our friends and neighbors.

If you have a contribution, please email it to Jim Simpson the following email address: <u>sanleanna@cox.net</u> or call him at (850) 585-2116.

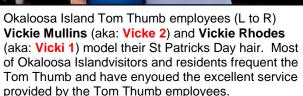
# TRIVIA CORNER – THE OLDEST:

- Dog 29 years, 5 months.(Bluey)
- Cat 38 years, 3 days (Crème Puff)
- Goldfish 43 years (Tish)
- Person 122 years, 64 days (Jeanne Louise Calment – France)
- Tree 5,200 years (Bristlecone Pine)
- Deer 31 years, 226 days (Scottish Red Deer)
- Tortoise 188 Years (Madagascar radiated tortoise)

Male Twins –105 years (Glen and Dale Moyer both reached the age of 105 years old)

# THE OIL LANTERN'S VERY OWN OKALOOSA ISLAND "FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS" SECTION







Meet the members of the Architectural Review Committee. Left to Right: **Beth Jeter, Dr. Geroge Edlund** and **Mike Mitchell**. Not shown: **Kurt Reiper**. The Committee meets every Thurday from 9:00 am to 9:30 am at the TDC building on Okaloosa Island to review Okaloosa County building permits for compliance with the Island Covenants & Restrictions.



Island Fire Department goes to the dogs. L to R Back Row: Engineer Ryan Adams and Assistant Chief Ray Strawn. L to R Front Row: Captain Mike Simmons, Firefighter Shawn Thurston and Engineer Moritz Malidant. The firefighters were doing a promotional photo for PAWS. But no Dalmatian in the photo?







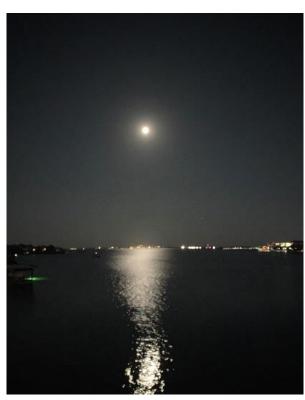
# FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

Okaloosa County Chief of Beach Safety, **Mr. Rich Hufnagel**, was the guest speaker at the March 11, 2019 meeting of the Okaloosa Island Leaseholders Association. He updated those in attendance on beach safety efforts and issues; and then answered questions about the lifeguard status on Okaloosa Island beaches. His information was particularly useful since Spring Break is just starting.

#### STEWBY'S COMING TO OKALOOSA ISLAND!

Stewby's Seafood Shanty, located on Racetrack Road in Fort Walton Beach, plans to open a second location across from the Blue Dolphin Beach Access (No. 1) on Santa Rosa Blvd. Planned opening date is May 2020

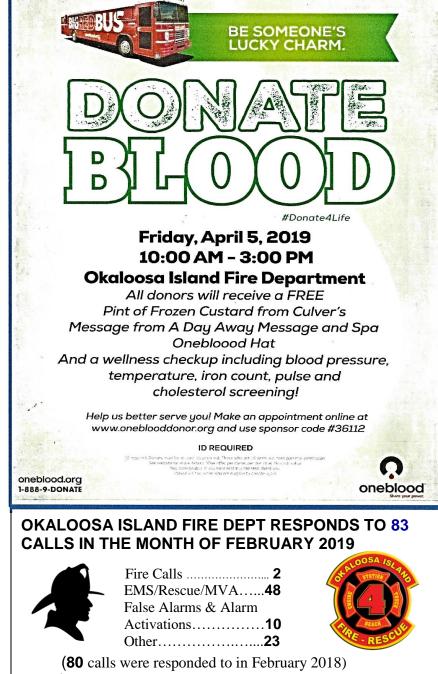
On March 19, Island Resident (and OILA Vice-President), Paula Hudson, addressed the Tourist Development Council (TDC) in support of a proposal by Commissioner Carolyn Ketchel to erect a gateway memorial at Veterans Park which would include eight (8) bronze life size interactive statutes of women serving in the different branches & service organizations along with either a fountain and/or benches to enhance the visitor's experience to the Park. The TDC issued conceptional approval for the memorial.



SUPER WORM MOON - March 20, 2019

The "Worm" moon in the above photo is due east from Fort Walton Beach towards Destin and the moon's reflection ribbon lights up Choctaw Bay.

The "worm moon" is the third moon of the year, and comes from historic Native American naming conventions for full moons. According to the Farmer's Almanac, the March full moon is called the "worm moon" because it is around this time of year that the ground softens and worms begin to appear in the soil again, marking the beginning of Spring. The March full moon is also sometimes referred to as the "sap moon" as it marks the time of year when sugar maples begin to release their sap.





ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE REPORT FOR FEBRUARY & MARCH 2019 for pemits submitted to them for consideration. The following information provided by the Architectural Committee. SPECIAL NOTICES: 1) The Committee meets every Thursday from 9:00 am to 9:30 am at the Tourist Development Center building. 2) ASK BEFOREYOU ACT.

Date	Lot(s)	<u>Block</u>	Owner/Address	Description	In Compliance and Approved?
Feb 28	22	13	Island Times/V-Reality LLC 1318 Miracle Strip Pwky	Virtually Reality Arcade (inside Island Times Building)	In Compliance
Mar 21	335	6	Jared Cuyler 645 Porpoise Ave	Replace Siding of Existing	In Compliance
Mar 21		10	Seaspray Condos 1530 Miracle Strip Pwky	Elevated Deck Within Existing Building Perimeter	In Compliance



Crossing the Mobile Bay – Joan Bomar & Paula Hudson

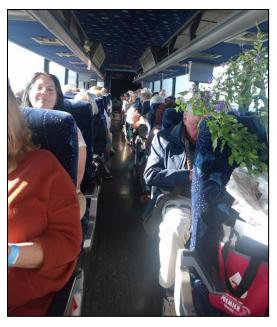


A 'river' flowed through the main tent... beginning with a Windmill and ending with a paddle wheel. Lovely hydrangeas and red Ti plants edged the banks.





ISLAND GARDEN CLUB VISIT TO THE MOBILE FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS ON MARCH 21, 2019



Happy passengers returning from the Festival of Flowers. So many special purchases from plants to gloves to yard art to carved works of art. Blooming Duranta tree on the right wouldn't fit beneath the bus.

The theme of this year's show was Dutch Gardens. Numerous 'houses' were decorated with spring blooming plants.

