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Here's What's

Happening at

YOUR Museum!

September 17-19 Destin Seafood Festival & Museum Parking Concession

September 30 Rodeo Captain & Mates Party at Museum

October 1 Museum Five Year Anniversary

October 2 Rodeo Children's Wagon Parade at AJ's with Museum "golf cart" leading the parade

October 2 & 3 Harbor Festival at HarborWalk Village to benefit the Museum

December 12 Holiday on the Harbor Lighted Boat Parade

January 22 Gumbo Contest & Silent Auction

February 26 Fish Fry

Museum Visitors

5,635 visitors
toured the
Museum during
2009!

January to
November
2010
6,037 visitors
have toured the
Museum to date!

We look forward to a great year breaking our attendance records!!

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From the Director

Counting Blessings

.....this is the time of year when we are reminded to give thanks for our many blessings. The Museum has a lot to be thankful for. I have put them into groups to better cover them.

1. Health-The Museum is being nurtured and as a result is growing daily.
2. Family-The backbone of the Museum and the ones we depend on to keep our structure strong.
3. Friends-All of our "Go To" people. When the Museum needs something they make it possible.
4. Partners-We are in a partnership with the City and depend on them for so much, we are thankful for their support.

From the Museum Staff, we wish everyone a wonderful Holiday Season and want you to know that you are all counted amount our blessings.
Sincerely, Jean

Destin Seafood Festival Museum Parking Concession



The Destin Chamber of Commerce held the Destin Seafood Festival on September 17, 18, & 19. The site was the Fisherman's Wharf location on the Harbor. Alan Laird & AJ's World Famous Seafood & Oyster Bar donated the use of their off-site parking lot for the Museum to use for a parking concession. Each car parked at the \$5 donation was given a free admission coupon for the Museum and a \$5 coupon for AJ's. The parking concession brought in \$1,835 for the Museum's program and exhibit creation.

Oral History Project



With many thanks to Lewis Bear, Jr. and the Appleyard Agency, the Oral History Project is getting closer to being a reality! Revive Media is creating four 30 minute DVD's of oral histories from audio/video interviews with Captain Reddin Brunson, the late Captain Bruce Marler, Muriel Destin, and Evelyn Melvin Cheek. A check for \$1,000 was received to help sponsor this exhibit and purchase the kiosk. The \$2,600 computer touch-screen kiosk will allow Museum visitors to choose one of the people, then choose from a list of the subjects they are talking about to further select a "portion of history".

ReVive Media representative demonstrates the computer kiosk.

Sandestin Celebration Fishing Tournament



The Sandestin Celebration Fishing Tournament was held August 25 thru 29 to celebrate the favorable conditions in the Gulf and that Florida's Emerald Coast was open for tourism and fishing. The Museum was chosen to benefit from this community event and on Thursday, September 30, the Museum was presented a check for \$1,000.00 from Shawna Meisner. Accepting the check were Jean Melvin and Museum Board Members Dave Steele, John Lefler, and Mike Long.

Harbor Festival



October 2 & 3 HarborWalk Village held a Harbor Festival including arts, crafts, local foods and entertainment. Museum volunteers Connie and Gina sell Museum Anniversary t-shirts and share Destin's history. Donations received during the free festival were to be split between Alaqua Animal Refuge and the Museum.



* The Destin tradition of the annual Destin Seafood Rodeo celebrated its 62nd event.



* Jean cuts the anniversary cake during the Rodeo Captain & Mates Party held on September 30. The cake featured the new anniversary shirt design.



Rodeo Captain & Mates Party

* Mayor Sam Seevers invited the BP Chief Operating Officer Mike Utsler to attend the Rodeo Captain & Mates Party held on the Museum grounds. He was given a private tour of the Museum, spoke to those in attendance about BP's commitment to ensure that the Destin area remain the beautiful destination that it is, and promised to come back to fish.

* The Museum was asked to lead the Rodeo Children's Wagon Parade on October 2 and be judges. Dave Steele drove the golf cart which was all decked out for the Museum's Five Year Anniversary.



Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon



Joyce LaFontaine
500+ Volunteer Hours



Mike Long
500+ Volunteer Hours



Dave Steele
500+ Volunteer Hours



Tona Newland

AJ's Seafood & Oyster Bar hosted a Volunteer Recognition Luncheon at the restaurant on November 11. Museum volunteers were treated to a wonderful lunch. Mayor Sam Seevers presented award certificates to volunteers in attendance. Volunteers with 500+ hours received the Museum Volunteer Recognition Award and The President's Volunteer Service Award which included a certificate, a letter from the President and a lapel pin. John Lefler received a certificate for 300+ hours. Dave Fraser received a certificate for 100+ hours. Additional certificates were presented to: Terry Long, Tona Newland, Scott Griffith, Mary Wilkinson, Faye Nettles, Connie Walter, Denise Ingram, Judy Lefler, Kemmy Meyers, AJ's Restaurant and Harry T's Restaurant.

Scott Griffith



Dave Fraser
100+ Volunteer Hours



Mary Wilkinson



November 15

Walton County Tiger Scout Troop

The scout troop enjoyed a museum tour and scavenger hunt.