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Tuesday - Saturday
10am to 4pm

Admission: Adults: \$5
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Join or Renew Your Membership Today

Destin History and Fishing Museum is a non profit organization whose members are dedicated to preserving, documenting, and sharing the complete history of Destin. There are limitless ways you, your friends, and associates can be part of realizing these efforts. Now more than ever we can use your support. **Your donation or membership is tax deductible.** Please fill out the form below and mail it to the museum.

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Here's What's

Happening at

YOUR Museum!

July 6: Kelly Plantation Fishing Club meeting at Museum 6:30 PM.

July 15: Hammerhead Exhibit Grand Opening 5 to 7 PM

July 17: Santa Rosa Mall Staycation Expo

August 22: History on the Harbor fundraising event at Harry T's

August 25 to 29: Sandestin Celebration Fishing Tournament to benefit the Museum.

September 17 to 19: Destin Seafood Festival with parking concession fundraiser at the Museum. \$5 per car receives a free Museum admission and \$5 AJ's Restaurant Coupon.

October 1: Museum's Five Year Anniversary

Museum Visitors

5,635 visitors
toured the
Museum during
2009!

January to August
2010
4,771 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

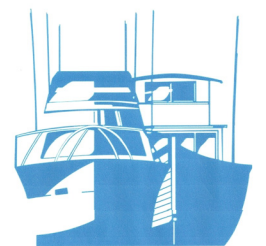
It has been a strange summer in Destin. Everything in Destin has been affected by the BP Oil Spill. All the usual fishing stopped due to most of the Fleet having signed on to work for BP. All the fishing tournaments were either cancelled or rescheduled due to the National Marine Fisheries closing the Federal waters along the coast. The National News media continuously reported that the Destin Beaches were covered with oil, which could not have been further from the truth, yet our usual summer visitors chose to cancel their vacations here.

As the fall season arrives, so does the October Fishing Rodeo, Destin's oldest tradition. This year, everyone is anxiously waiting its' arrival and the return to "normal". For the 62nd year the excitement will return to the docks, along with the big fish and the much needed return to business as usual, October in Destin.

October 1, 2010 is the 5th Anniversary of the Destin History and Fishing Museum. Five great years preserving Destin's Heritage!

Anniversary T-Shirts

1835 - 2010



DESTIN HISTORY AND FISHING MUSEUM

Reeling in the Years

In celebration of the Museum's 5 year anniversary, an anniversary t-shirt has been designed incorporating the original museum logo. From the days of Leonard Destin to today, the DHFM strives to preserve the Heritage of the World's Luckiest Fishing Village by documenting and sharing the complete history of Destin. Support the Museum by purchasing an anniversary t-shirt for \$15. These white shirts are available in adult sizes small, medium, large, X-large, and XX-large.



Please feed the piggy!

History Is Only There When YOU Save It !
Donate today for the sake of the past. It's for the future !

Bring you loose change to the Museum and "feed our hungry pig". We'll give you a donation receipt and you'll be a partner in preserving Destin's history.

Santa Rosa Mall "Staycation Expo"

July 17th the Museum was a part of the Staycation Expo held out at the Santa Rosa Mall. Visitors and shoppers were able to see table exhibits of the local museums and attractions and receive coupons to enjoy the many great things to do right here at home!



Sandestin Celebration Fishing Tournament



Board members Mike Long & John Lefler at the Museum exhibit.

Popular Chef "Emeril" is aboard the 2nd top money winning boat!



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 is open for tourism and fishing. The Museum will benefit from this community event.

www.neighborvision.com

Ray Zukowski, of NeighborVision, took video footage in the museum and interviews with Reddin "Salty" Brunson, David Rojas, and Bill McDonald. Watch this website for museum coverage!

Thank you to our Volunteers !!!

We Welcome These New Weekly Volunteers:

Dave Fraser, Faye Nettles, and Rick Sanborn

Give us a call if you would like to volunteer!

We have volunteer openings at the Museum every day



History on the Harbor Fundraiser Harry T's Restaurant

Nearly 8,000 visitors were at the Clean Coast Music & Art Fest at HarborWalk Village on Sunday, August 22. The Museum had an exhibit table in front of Harry T's during the event selling raffle tickets. Harry T's donated a percent of the day's profits to the Museum.....a wonderful \$ 1,224.28 came to the Museum. Harry T's gift certificate raffle winners were:

\$50 Cherie Honeycutt of FWB
\$100 Samatha Graves of Freeport
\$200 Chris Bowen of Enterprise,AL
Many thanks to Dan Empson of Harry T's and the volunteers that manned the exhibit table. We appreciate: Dave & Darlene Fraser, Rick Sanborn, Monica Autrey, Sandy & Karl Ray Trammel, Tona Newland, Connie Walter, Norm Hall, and Mike Long.

Dan also donated a case of "Silver" Harry T's keychains to give to paid admissions to the Museum. These are good for preferred seating and Happy Hour drink prices all the time!



Climbing the Family Tree

Associate Director's Corner
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The more you research, the more information you can find...with special thanks to all that is now available "on the net"! But then it happens.....holes start to appear in your tree and research that stares out at you keeping you frustrated. Sometimes you have to think "outside the box" and try a "backdoor" approach. There are ways to find vital facts even when you can't find the vital record.

Ancestry.com and other popular on-line genealogy sites have monthly newsletters which give great clues on how to use unconventional resources to find the illusive vital facts. These vital facts are very important in documenting and proving your family research. If you can't find the primary source, other documents may give good estimates to narrow future research.

Here are five vital facts that you may need and "backdoor" ways to help find the missing data:

VITAL FACT: Birth date and birthplace. What you would LIKE to find is the birth, marriage, or death certificate. Check out census records, military registrations, the Social Security Death Index, passport applications, and delayed birth record registrations. In some areas, there were no written birth certificates, however, in later society, many organizations, insurance companies and government entities required a birth certificate. These delayed birth records were filed separately from birth records and were notarized by someone who knew the person from birth.

VITAL FACT: Marriage date and marriage place. What you would LIKE to find is the marriage certificate or death certificate. Check out details from the birth details of the oldest child's available records like census records. This information can lead you to a possible timeframe and County records such as land deeds, tax records or newspaper articles that might mention the ancestor.

VITAL FACT: Date of death. What you would LIKE to find is the death certificate. Check out mortality schedules, cemetery records and online tombstone "gravesite" searches, Veteran's Schedules, newspaper obituaries, City Directories, and the Social Security Death Index.

VITAL FACT: Number of children born. What you would LIKE to find are birth certificates which may list other siblings. Check out census records and the questions asked by the census taker. Some asked how many children had been born and how many were still living. This data could lead to cemetery records or newspapers with information about ancestors that may have died during infancy.

VITAL FACT: Maiden name. What you would LIKE to find is the birth certificate or marriage certificate. Check out passenger lists or documents which may list "next of kin". Next of kin could lead you to a sibling, parent, or other relative and give you the name you need.

Your artifacts
tell the story of Destin !!
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Cox Cable and Okaloosa County taped tour footage in the Museum during August. A ten-minute segment is airing the entire month of September on the "Focus on Okaloosa" program. The 30 minute program can be seen on Mondays at 10 AM and Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 PM. The Museum Tour segment is the last 10 minutes of the program.