

Summer hot for PHF in more ways than just the temperature

By Claudine Kriss, Heritage Times editor

Summer is definitely here, but we definitely had one of the nicest springs in years. However, like most years in our little niche along the Gulf Coast, one day it was spring and the next it was full-blown, skin-scorching heat, shirt-drenching humidity summer.

On June 1, a full three weeks before the official start of summer, Pensacola experienced the record-setting temperature of 100 degrees. If that is any indication, we are definitely in for a hot one this summer.

But don't let the temperatures stop you from enjoying the Evenings in Olde Seville Square this summer. There are plenty of cool treats available from our vendors or you can pack a cooler full of your own. And if you get to the park early enough, you can stake out a spot under one of the giant old oaks that make the Square such a beautiful park.

Music has become the sound of summer in this area, and while we definitely want you to enjoy the Evenings in Olde Seville Square put on each Thursday by the Pensacola Heritage Foundation, there are several other outdoor music venues on other nights of the week. You might want to check out Bands on the Beach on Tuesday nights or Summer Serenade at St Christopher's Episcopal Church on Wednesdays.

Your PHF board has been busy this spring. As reported previously, the Foundation donated \$500 to West Florida Historic Preservation for the restoration of the Confederate First National Flag carried (and captured) in the Battle of Santa Rosa Island on Oct. 9, 1861. On May 7, board members Dan Kenan and Claudine Kriss represented the Foundation at the official dedication of the restored flag at the T.T. Wentworth Jr. Florida State Museum.

Nora Bailey and members of her Membership Committee have been working diligently on ways to increase our membership and provide more benefits for members and opportunities for members to be



This Confederate First National Flag, which was carried and captured at the Battle of Santa Rosa Island, was recently restored by West Florida Historic Preservation with help from the Pensacola Heritage Foundation. (Photo provided by West Florida Historic Preservation Inc.)

involved in Foundation activities. The results of their work will be reported in the near future.

Education chair Sue Nicholson and her co-chairs Phyllis and Bill Williams organized a Brunch B'twixt Buildings in April that drew more than a dozen participants who enjoyed tours of Immanuel Lutheran Church, First United Methodist Church and St. Michael Catholic Church along with brunch at Vic and Ike's. There are tentative plans about another Brunch B'Twixt Buildings in the fall.

Several board members have been hard at work to get our Web site revamped and up and running.

We hope many of you were able to attend the lecture by Hector Diaz about Spain and Pensacola's involvement in the American Revolution and the 230th Re-enactment of the Battle of Pensacola on June 3 and 4. It is important for PHF members to show their support of activities of other groups that also help

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*Dabo's Data***PHF summer includes
concerts, July 4th picnic**

Welcome to an exciting summer season of Pensacola Heritage Foundation sponsored events and upcoming community projects.

The 24th season of Evenings in Olde Seville Square began May 19th with wonderful music and a sizeable enthusiastic crowd. Thanks to our sponsors and the hard work of Jim Green, Dan Kenan, and Debbie Adkins, we have amazing free concerts scheduled every Thursday evening at 7:00 until Aug. 18th. Look for the volunteers and board members in their turquoise shirts to assist you while at the concerts. Please join us - bring a lawn chair and be sure to visit the vendors on Alcaniz Street who prepare wonderful food each week for your enjoyment.

We have been working for some time on our new Web site, and I hope that by the time you read this it is operational. Please take a look - www.pensacolaheritage.org - and see the exciting new format with information on Heritage Foundation news and events.

In the last newsletter we reported our participation in judging and award presentations for the Escambia County History Fair. We are proud to inform you that 12 students from Pensacola were selected to participate in the national competition. Be sure to visit the T.T. Wentworth Jr. State Museum beginning June 23 to view these outstanding science fair projects. There are some young people in this community that will have no trouble leading this country in the future. They are bright, motivated, and an inspiration to say the least. It was a pleasure to be associated with them through this event.

Invitations will be mailed to Heritage Foundation members early this month for our annual July 4th celebration at the Barkley House. We will be repeating last year's menu with the addition of grilled chicken. Beer, wine and soft drinks will begin at 5:00. Buffet (including our famous homemade potato salad) will begin at 6:30. We will

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**Foundation supports other
historical organizations**

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preserve Pensacola's rich history and heritage.

The next big event for PHF members is the annual Fourth of July Picnic at the Barkley House. This year's Party should be bigger and better than ever and we look forward to seeing all of you.

Have a fun – and safe – summer and by this fall, we hope to have lots of exciting news for you. In the meantime, check out President David Richbourg's "Dabo's Data" column on this page for some hints about some of that news and be sure to check our Web site at pensacolaheritage.org on a regular basis.

EIOSS concert schedule

- June 2** John Wooton & KAISO
- June 9** Tim Jackson's Mr. Big & the Rhythm
- June 16** Kitt Lough
- June 23** 151 Army Band Birmingham
- July 2** Jones & Company and Perdido Brass
- June 30** Reunion Band
- July 14** Heritage
- July 21** Swingin' Dick Tracys
- July 28** Saw Mill Band
- Aug 4** Don Snowden Big Band with Holly Shelton
- Aug 11** Dueling Pianos and Modern Eldorados
- Aug 18** Clark & Co.
- Dec. 8** Holiday Concert – Pensacola Civic Band and Clark & Co.

Welcome New Members:

Dix Darby (Life Time Member) * Berney Smith * M/M Dale Riegle * Fred McClendon
M/M Bill Groves * M/M William Uhl * Mary Nicholson

Returning Members:

M/M Thomas Bailey * Katy Nettles * Harry Kahn * Dr./M Steven Trawick * M/M Roger Vinson
M/M Robert Snowden * Mrs. William Noonan Jr. * Vicki Baraco * Sharon Benton * Ken Woolf
M/M Downing Gray * M/M William Harrell * Carolyn Fleming * Don Bush * M/M Buzz Ritchie
Claudine Kriss * M/M Robert Rushing * Jane Beckman * Glenda Michailidis * Bob Moulton
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Margaret Peak * Dr./M Skip Rogers III * M/M Tim Kane * Classic City Catering * Katherine Groves
E. Jean Yates * Diane Ohlendorf * M/M Douglas Hatcher * Margherita J. Soule
M/M Wright Moulton * Bart Watson Erit * Charles Hual

Property restoration still on Foundation's agenda

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be on the grounds all day making preparations, so if convenient, stop by, drop off your chairs, and claim your spot for watching the fireworks. Bring your guests, enjoy the holiday in the BEST spot in Pensacola to see the fireworks, and let us feed and entertain you. Please get your reservations and checks in early so we will know how to best plan for you.

We are still hoping the title problems for 417 East Government Street will be resolved so we can purchase the property and begin restoration of the house. It is the perfect place for the home base of the Pensacola Heritage Foundation. We have recently become aware of a historic home the owners are willing to donate to us if we can find a lot to place it on. The board is diligently working on finding a location so we can get busy saving and restoring yet another piece of Pensacola's history. If you know of any suitable vacant land where we may locate this house, please call the office (438-6505) and give us the details for board consideration.

We hope to see you in the square on Thursday evenings, and we are looking forward to celebrating July 4th with you at the Barkley House. Thank you for your interest and support in PHF.

Dabo (David Richbourg, PHF president)

A Dash of Sevillity

Summer is here and many of us enjoy entertaining outdoors and serving something light. This recipe is from the Third edition of "A Dash of Sevillity" Published by the Pensacola Heritage Foundation in 1981.

Pickled Shrimp

To boil shrimp: 3 to 4 lb. shrimp

Crab Boil, onion, garlic, water

Bring seasoned water to boil. Put in shrimp. Bring back to boil and turn off heat. Allow to remain in water 15 to 20 minutes.

Pickling Marinade:

½ c. olive oil

½ c. lemon juice

½ c. wine vinegar

2 onions, sliced thin

1 Tb. Worcestershire sauce

2 tsp. salt

Tabasco

Shake dressing well in a jar. Pour over shrimp and onions. Cover and store in refrigerator. Will keep for a week.

Submitted by
Helen Kahn

Dedication of 150-year-old Confederate flag gives Aunt Frannie "ghostly" goosebumps

Dan Kenan (his wife doesn't want me to call him cute or adorable or handsome anymore because it gives him a big head) and I attended the unveiling of the newly restored Confederate First National Flag recently and I came away with goose bumps.

I swear I saw my great-great grandmother Laura Belle and her fiancé, Gen. Maxwell Beauregard standing there.

I know Cousin Lulu claims I'm older than God, but I really wasn't around during the War of Northern Aggression. However, Gen. Beauregard, who still haunts my North Hill home, has told me many a story about his heroic feats during the war.

He swears that Confederate flag that West Florida Historic Preservation Inc., with some help from Pensacola Heritage Foundation, had restored earlier this year was actually sown by Great-great Grandma Laura Belle and carried during the battle of Santa Rosa Island by him. But then, he claims the

Nov. 15, 1864 burning of Atlanta was just a story made up by Margaret Mitchell in her Pulitzer-prize winning novel, "Gone with the Wind;" that he actually defeated Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman before Sherman ever got close to Atlanta.

But still, seeing that restored flag made me proud to be a Southerner. And since this is the 150th anniversary of the War Between the States, I think I will dig Great-great Grandma Laura Belle's yellow silk ball gown with the 18-inch waist out of the trunk in the attic and wear it to PHF's annual Fourth of July Picnic at the Barkley House. Now all I have to do is figure out how to maneuver those hoop skirts on my new 2011 red, white and blue Harley.



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