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SCENES FROM A PARTY!

The Orange Beach 25th Birthday Block Party and Baldwin County Bicentennial Celebration was an Absolute Blast! It was so wonderful to have members of the community there and great to hear tales of the formation of Orange Beach and what life used to be like.

The Birthday Party committee would like to acknowledge the sponsors whose donations made the event more special: Alabama Gulf Coast Convention and Visitors Bureau, Baldwin County Archives, Publix, City of Orange Beach, Golden Flake, CVS Pharmacy, Vector Disease Control and Coca-Cola.

This event was a lot of hard work and could not have been accomplished without the efforts of Countless volunteers. The Birthday Party committee would like to give a special thanks to every City Employee that worked so tirelessly refurbishing the park behind City Hall, it looks great! A big Thank You also goes out to the former and current Mayors and Council members who were there, they

Were all so supportive and Orange Beach would not be what it is without their efforts. Finally, the Committee would like to thank our City Administrator Ken Grimes.

Not only did he serve as an Enthusiastic Emcee, he also was the support of the committee.

Thanks to all!



Orange Beach

Community News

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Orange Beach, Alabama



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DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN FOLLOW CITY EVENTS SEVERAL WAYS ON TWITTER?

You can get City of Orange Beach info, Planning Commission and Community Development dates and EMA (Emergency Management) updates. You can sign up by going to the City's website (scroll down on the right side, under "information tabs") or just go to Twitter's website and search "Orange Beach".

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Alabama Coastal Cleanup Saturday, Sept 19, 8am til noon!

For two decades the Alabama Coastal Cleanup has brought volunteers from across the state to the coast for one purpose to clean up the debris and trash they find there. In what sometimes feels as the endless pursuit of removing marine debris from the shoreline, these volunteers and sponsors have dedicated their time and energy to making the coast of southern Alabama a safe and beautiful place to visit and to live.

The Alabama Coastal Cleanup engages local citizens to remove trash and debris from the Gulf Coast beaches and waterways, to identify the sources of debris, and to change the behaviors that cause pollution. In a continuing effort to clean up the coast, the 22nd Annual Alabama Coastal Cleanup is scheduled **Saturday, September 19, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. until noon**. Come show your support and concern for Alabama's waterways by participating.

In addition to tarnishing the natural beauty of our state, marine debris (trash and waste discarded in the water) kills thousands of marine mammals, sea birds and turtles each year. It also damages fishing nets, fouls propellers, and clogs water intakes.

The Alabama Coastal Cleanup is held in conjunction with the [International Coastal Cleanup](#) (ICC), which is the largest single-day volunteer event for the marine environment. Since Alabama joined the ICC in 1987, **55,000 volunteers in Alabama have removed a total of 1,034,000 pounds of debris and cleaned 3,000 miles of Alabama coastline.**

Gather up your group today! Bring your family, church group, youth group, Boy Scout or Girl Scout group, or come out on your own and make new friends. While supplies last, volunteers will receive a t-shirt and decal for their participation, not to mention the satisfaction of keeping Alabama beautiful!

Here are a few safety tips to help **"Get the Trash out of the Splash!"**

- Drink plenty of fluids!
- Bring sunscreen, a hat and wear comfortable shoes.
- An adult should supervise children at all times.
- Be careful near sand dunes and other fragile ecosystems.
- DO NOT attempt to remove dangerous or heavy items yourself. Mark the location and report back to the zone captain for proper disposal.



"Working together for an Unlittered Alabama"

Clean Up Zones

Boggy Point, zone captain Bob Hastings

Ono Boat Ramp, zone captain Richard Carson

Cotton Bayou Public Beach, zone captain April Boone



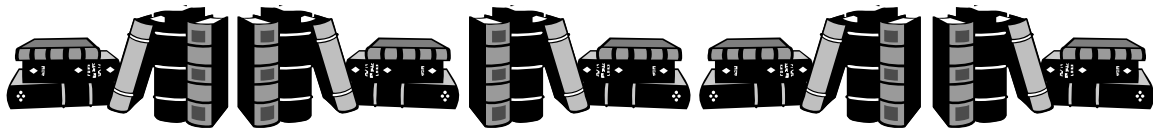
Catcher in the Rye . . . Harry Potter . Captain Underpants . . .

Every year, there are hundreds of attempts to remove books from schools and libraries. Celebrate YOUR freedom to read and right to choose your book during Banned Books Week, September 26, 2009- October 3, 2009. Throughout the month of September, the Orange Beach Public Library invites you to explore our display of banned books and the accompanying exhibit: "Libraries and the First Amendment". The First Amendment exhibit is provided by the McCormick Freedom Museum and highlights the role of public libraries as marketplaces of thought where ideas are shared, information is accessed and controversies sometimes arise.



For more information about Libraries and the First Amendment, visit www.FreedomInLibraries.org. For more information on Banned Books Week, visit <http://www.ala.org/bbooks>. For more information on the Library visit www.orangebeachlibrary.org or call 251-981-2923.

Pictured on the right is Chloe Boyer who is reading "The Lorax", a once challenged Dr. Seuss book on the banned book list . Behind her is an informational poster about "Libraries and the First Amendment".



Resume Webinar at the Orange Beach Public Library

The Orange Beach Public Library is hosting a free Resume Webinar on Wednesday, September 30, 2009 from **12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.** in the meeting room. If you are looking for a job, this is a must-attend webinar to learn how to create a winning resume that gets interviews. Resume expert Barbara Safani, owner of Career Solvers, will teach attendees how to:

- Write a powerful profile and skills summary that shows how valuable your experience is to hiring managers.
- Transform a list of job tasks into powerful success stories.
- Leverage education and internships to prove you have "the right stuff" to do the job.
- Use resume design templates to help you stand out from the crowd.

This event is free and open to the public. No computers or reservations required. For more information, visit www.orangebeachlibrary.org or call 251-981-2923.

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OB Labor Day Tennis Tournament Wet Success!

The adult USTA sanctioned tournament was held Labor Day Weekend, Sept 4-6, 2009, at the City of Orange Beach Tennis Center. 75 people from Birmingham, Gadsden, Fairhope, Panama City, Pensacola, Gulf Shores, and Orange Beach competed as well as college players from Auburn-Montgomery, University of Alabama, Troy State, and University of Southern Mississippi (these schools were represented by players from France, Ecuador, Morocco, Brazil, Reunion Island, Mexico, Germany, and the United States). Adult events included men's open singles and doubles, men's and women's 30 doubles, men's 50 singles, men's 60 singles, men's 70 singles and doubles, mixed open doubles, NTRP combo mixed 6.0, 7.0, and 8.0 doubles.



Even though there were 3 rain delays, the tournament was completed.

The pics are the following people. 1) Sadio Doumbia of France-AUM player (l) defeated Patricio Alvarado of Ecuador-Southern Miss player (r) 6-3, 7-6 (4) to win the men's open championship. 2) Assistant Coach Monte Tucker of AUM, men's open double champion, Saad Benkirane of Morocco (AUM player), men's open single and doubles champion, Sadio Doumbia of France (AUM player), men's open doubles finalist, Claudio Andrade of Brazil (AUM player), and men's open doubles finalist, Florent Sentenac of France (AUM player). 3) Men's 30 doubles champions, City of Orange Beach Tennis Pro,

Rhett Russell, and Aaron Bauer of Fairhope.

The next sanctioned tennis tournament hosted at the Orange Beach Tennis Center will be the junior Battle at the Beach held October 2-4, 2009. Please sign up at USTA.com and use tournament id#703248709.

Many thanks to Brian and Jodi Harsany of Cobalt and Cosmo's Restaurants who sponsored the 3 day event.



Sinners and Saints: New works by Joe Hobbs Orange Beach Art Center Sept 3-Oct 14

By Juli Jordan

Joe Hobbs' *Sinners and Saints* exhibit offers an opportunity to delve into the 'thoughtscapes' of an artist whose media is truly mixed: from glass sculpture to intaglio prints to lithographs to paintings to ceramic sculpture to t-shirts. The mediums mix and merge in unexpected ways. For example, a hand built wooden niched 'canvas' painted sky blue depicts birds in flight and a scattering of skulls with clear glass sculpted clouds that seemingly float over the scene. The viewer can actually take the cloud off its stand and hold it in his hand. Inside the niche is a glass vessel, blown by Hobbs, with a ceramic hand covering the mouth of the bottle; inside is a portion of a ceramic jawbone. In this particular piece, entitled **Sky**, Hobbs culminates his art merging painting and drawing with sculpture and glass blowing. What's more, the interactive nature of the piece allows the viewer to hold a cloud in his hand giving the piece a whimsical quality.

Sky
By Joe
Hobbs



Enigmatic, intriguing and innovative: Hobbs creates scenes that force the viewer to wonder, to ponder and challenge perceptions. A layering in much of his work conceals and reveals images. Spending time with this exhibit is like walking through a mental landscape. Recurring images of birds, skulls, hands, skeletons, facial profiles repeat and vary in a rhythmic, hypnotic, meditative quality. The more you look, the more you see. That is what makes this particular exhibit so rewarding: the artist presents us with a series of works in which one can continue to uncover meaning and truths. Each time a new layer reveals itself, the viewer experiences a sense of accomplishment, as though he has passed a test.

Hobbs artwork ranges in price from ten dollars to several thousands. "We were expecting this particular exhibit to be our edgiest, the one that would push the envelope but Joe has exceeded our expectations in that we never expected the variety of mediums. We already knew his work to be beautiful, thoughtful and moving. This is the first time he is exhibiting his paintings and we are thrilled that he has chosen to do so with us," explains Juli Jordan, Visiting Artist Committee.

Hobbs is also the resident glass artist for The Hot Shop at the Orange Beach Art Center. However, this particular exhibit was slated long before Bear Creek Glass (Joe and Debbie Thompson) donated their equipment to the Art Center. "This is a great opportunity for the public to not only visit The Hot Shop and take a glassblowing class or observe the glass artists at work but also to get to know a bit more about Hobbs' artwork" says Jordan.

On Saturday September 19th 5p.m.-9p.m. the first Hot Glass/Cold Drinks event takes place at The Hot Shop @ Orange Beach Art Center. With the purchase of a hand blown glass visitors may enjoy complimentary refreshments and glass blowing demonstrations. This will be a fun event for young and old.

For more information call the Orange Beach Art Center 251.981.2787 or visit their website at www.orangebeachartcenter.com.

The Hot Shop and the Orange Beach Art Center is located 3/10 mile east of the 161 Canal Road intersection just past the Orange Beach Library.



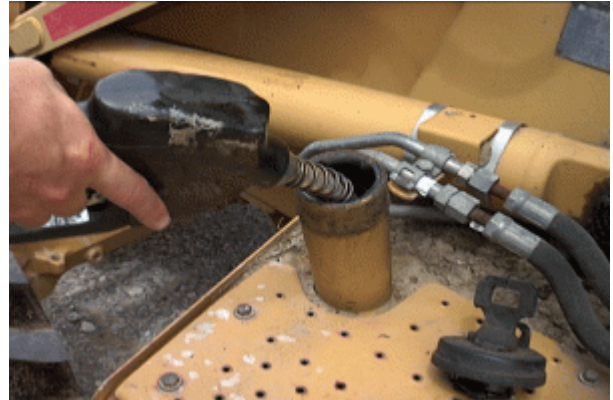
What Smells Like French Fries?

By Pat Peterson Reporter, WKRG TV5

Published: September 03 2009 - 5:52 pm

Stomachs are growling in Orange Beach!

"The tractors smell like french fries!" says city manager Ken Grimes. "And that's a fact. The exhaust smells like french fries, so that's got to be a perk around the sewer plant!"



The bio-diesel used to power city trucks and equipment is made from recycled cooking oil and grease.

"Our operators have put on about 20 pounds since we switched to bio-diesel due to the smelling of french fries," says Tim Tucker. "Yeah, it's time for a snack!"

Orange Beach will save thousands of dollars of year in fuel costs by converting grease into fuel. Some of the by-product will also be used to make soap for the shop workers.

The city has three recycling drop off locations but a lot of the cooking oil is now coming from Foley. Foley doesn't have a converter or fuel processor so the city ships their sludge to Pleasure Island to convert into energy.

Foley and Gulf Shores Join OB in Cooking Oil Recycling

Foley area residents can now recycle used cooking oil with the start of a campaign to convert sewer-clogging grease into fuel, according to city and Riviera Utilities officials.

Anyone wanting to participate can pick up a container in Foley at bins at Walmart, Cain's Piggly Wiggly, Winn-

Dixie and behind the Foley Civic Center. Containers are also available at Riviera Utilities and City Hall.

The recycling program is a joint project of the city of Foley, Riviera Utilities and the Wolf Bay Watershed Watch.

When the containers are full of used cooking grease, the jugs can be returned to the site, according to program officials.

City workers will take the oil to the Orange Beach municipal biodiesel plant where it will be processed into fuel, said Leslie Lassiter, Foley environmental manager. She said that if enough Foley oil is recycled, the city could start its own biodiesel process.

Gulf Shores city crews also collect cooking oil and send the material to the Orange Beach plant to be processed into fuel. "The household plumbing usually backs up before the (Riviera) system does," Peterson said.



Orange Beach Garden Meeting
Tuesday, September 22, 2009

1:00-at the Orange Beach
Community Center

Theme—"Pretty as a Pitcher,
Of Fresh Cut Flowers!"

Back by Popular demand, we are going to enjoy banana splits with all the Trimmings while we visit and share with friends. This will be a fun meeting, as well as a time to make plans for the year ahead. Come join us!

For questions contact Doris Milford, 980-6235.

The Baldwin County Master Gardeners
Will present their continuing education
Seminar: "Garden Treasures: The Ones
We're Particularly Fond Of", on Thursday,
October 15, 2009, 9am-4pm
Faulkner State Community College
Fairhope

Presenters are: Virginia Bohme (Orchids), Karen
Kirk- Williams (Antique Roses), Larry Morris
(Water Gardens) and Carole Simpson (Art in the
Garden)

Tickets are \$10,
Includes refreshments and door prizes.





OB Elementary Students Are Super Busy in September

By: Taylor Meadows, Trevor Templeton, Jessica Mattes, Cole McKey, Dennis Mixson and Chris Green

Weekly News Article for Orange Beach Elementary for the Week of September 1

At OBES we are always having fun, whether in the class room or with enrichment classes, the students are having a great time! There are all sorts of things we do here.

Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Edward's first grade classes are learning about cowboys and the Wild, Wild, West. They are learning about cardinal directions, wants and needs, and adding numbers. First grade is also having fun learning how to write paragraphs.

Mrs. Carpenter & Mrs. Helm's third grade classes are learning about helpful and harmful weather including hurricanes, tornadoes, thunderstorms, droughts and floods. They are also learning how to prepare for such events. Another thing they are doing is counting money and making change in math. Third graders will make a chart of statements and questions about the weather.

One of the main objectives in fifth grade is to know the difference between plant and animal cells. To reinforce the concept, the students in Mrs. Walker's class made plant and animal cells using cupcakes and candies to represent the organelles in a cell.

Mrs. McLemore's fifth grade class is wrapping up their unit on cells and the systems in our bodies. They have begun a mini-unit on The Island of the Blue Dolphins. Fifth graders are also learning about horseshoe crabs at Sea, Sand, and Stars. Mrs. McLemore's class has had a great start to the school year!

In art classes at OBES, students learned about birds and they used their imaginations to create an imaginary bird that has never been seen before from the Amazon Jungle. They learned about artist John Audubon.

Weekly Article for Orange Beach Elementary for the Week of September 8

The kindergarten class is fired up for a field trip to the fire station this week; they are going to dress as Dalmatians!

Mrs. Cahn's kindergarten class is reading the story, *Miss Bindergarten Takes a Field Trip* as they get ready for their first field trip. They are also learning the correct formation of their letters and numbers in handwriting. They learned pull down, slide over, slant to the left, slant to the right, curve forward and curve backward. They studied 4 high frequency words: I, the, am, and little. In math, they are sorting and making patterns. They are also writing and making sets to 5. Mrs. Hollis's class has also been working hard on creating blue jeans about themselves.

5, 4, 3, 2, 1 ... BLAST OFF!!! Space is the focus of second grade science lessons in Mrs. Holder and Mrs. Gehr's classes. The second graders are very interested knowing more about the sun, moon, stars, and planets. They are also learning how to write a paragraph using a main idea, details, and a closing sentence. Last week, they wrote a descriptive paragraph about what it would be like to be an astronaut.

The fourth grade got their recorders in music class and they are finishing explorer ships projects for open house. In art, they have been working with bright colors, pastels, crayons, pencils, and drawing birds from Mexico. Fourth grade has had fun at Sea, Sand, and Stars studying native evasive plants; they made a book of them using pressed leaves.

After reading about the rain forest, sixth graders made rain sticks. We have been busy in math studying different types of graphs. We learned how to interpret bar graphs, pie graphs, and line graphs.

In Ms. Siegel's sixth grade class, they are wrapping up their unit on the western frontier. They are about to move on to the growth of industry. They will learn how railroads, inventions, transportation, big business and communication promoted this growth. In Mrs. Cardwell's sixth grade class, we are studying the government and the Constitution. We are making posters, foldable organizers and illustrated books about government and the Constitution.

During computer class, Ms. Siegel's class learned how to tape OBES morning announcements. They also received their schedule for when each of them will be the anchorperson on the news. Mrs. Cardwell's class learned how to report the weather for the morning announcements.

Students in K-2nd classes at Sea, Sand, and Stars are learning about insects. After observing insects in their insect collection, students are drawing diagrams and making models of their favorite insect using a variety of art materials. They will then count, sort and graph their findings. Third grade students are continuing to use observation skills to be plant detectives and identify native plants found at SSS.

Weekly Newspaper Article for Orange Beach Elementary for Week of September 15

We are having a great week here at Orange Beach Elementary School. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Edwards's first grade class is learning subtraction in math. In language, they are learning actions in a sentence and sentence naming. First grade is also enjoying learning about the governor and the capital of Alabama.

In third grade, Mrs. Helms and Mrs. Carpenter's class are learning addition properties and estimating amounts. Third grade is also enjoying reading, "If You Made a Million". In language, they are learning about commands and exclamations. In science, they are learning about the helpful and harmful effects of natural disasters, reading weather maps, and how to prepare for weather events. In Sea, Sand, and Stars, third grade is learning how to measure the height of trees using your shadow.

Music classes at OBES are humming along. Mrs. James's third grade music classes entertained the crowd at PTO Open House this week by singing, "You're a Grand Old Flag". The fourth and fifth grades have their recorders and are working on their first white belt song, "Hot Cross Buns". The first, second, and third graders are working on the beat and quarter notes and quarter rest. Kindergartners are getting to know some of the rhythm instruments. They are also having a great time singing along in the book *Mortimer*. We are making lots of music!

Students in Project Jubilee are looking forward to starting the Stock Market Game this month. We hope for a very successful year! They are also studying five different countries: Egypt, India, The Netherlands, Japan, and Brazil.

UTILIZATION OF CITY WILDLIFE TRAPS

The City of Orange Beach wildlife traps are to be utilized to trap and return wildlife for proper and humane removal. No captured animal should be subjected to mishandling or suffering of any manner. Immediate return of the captured animal to the City of Orange Beach Engineering and Environmental Services is required to prevent undue suffering. Please note that wildlife management services are only available between 8:00AM and 5:00PM on weekdays; closed on weekends and holidays.

The City of Orange Beach currently does not have a feral cat program and is unequipped to accept feral or stray cats for impoundment or euthanization. If a stray or feral cat is trapped and requires removal from your property, transportation to an animal control center or rescue shelter is the responsibility of the property owner. The following is a list of animal control facility phone numbers in this area:

Baldwin County Animal Control Center

Tel: (251)972-6834
 15050 County Road 49
 Summerdale, AL 36580
 Hours: 9 am - 4pm Mon-Fri
 9am-12pm Sat
 CLOSED SUNDAY

Baldwin County Humane Society

Tel: (800)547-6518 / (251)928-4585
 49306 Magnolia Avenue
 Fairhope, AL 36532
 Hours: 9 am - 4pm Mon-Fri
 CLOSED SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Fairhope Animal Shelter

Services provided by: The Haven
 Tel: (251)929-3980
 559 South Section Street
 Fairhope, AL 36532
 Hours: 9 am - 3 pm Mon-Fri
 9 am - 1 pm Sat
 CLOSED SUNDAY

All dog related concerns should be addressed through the Orange Beach Police Department at (251)981-9777.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding wildlife management, please feel free to contact Engineering and Environmental Services at (251)981-2610

Orange Beach Recycle Pick Up

Orange Beach Recycle Service

Grey

Blue

Upcoming Recycle Pick Up Dates:
(Every other Wednesday)

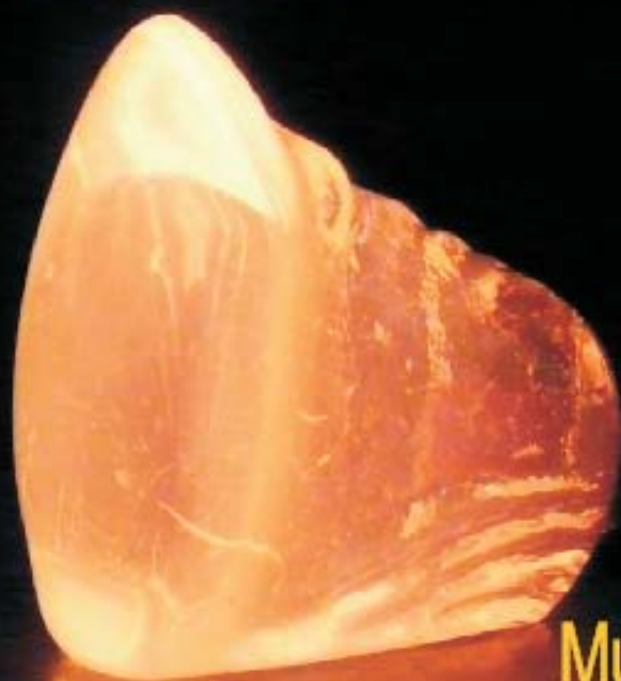
<u>Grey:</u>	<u>Blue:</u>
September 23	September 30
October 7	October 14
October 21	October 28
November 4	November 11

Bulk Recycle Bins

Public Works
 Sportplex
 Golf Center
 City Hall
 Justice Center
 Library

Hot Glass Cold Drinks

Saturday, Sept. 19 - 6 - 9pm
Orange Beach Arts Center, 26389 Canal Rd.



\$20

Glass Blowing
Music • Drinks • Food

The Hot Shop
@ Orange Beach Arts Center

www.orangebeachartscenter.com

251.981.2787



Learn To Kayak

The City of Orange Beach
Parks and Recreation Department,
in conjunction with American Canoe Association
(ACA) Certified Instructors, is sponsoring
half-day skills courses for people who want to
learn the basics of paddling a kayak.

Saturday, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Class Dates -

May 30 - June 27 - July 25

August 22 - September 26

\$65.00/person

(Minimum Age - 13)

Location

**Orange Beach Waterfront Park
Canal Road - Hwy. 180**

Course Content

Safety, equipment, rescue, and
instruction on proper stroke and
maneuvering techniques.

Instructors

Steve Baker

ACA Certified Instructor

Michelle Baker

ACA Certified Instructor

Course space is limited. All paddling equipment is provided. Participants must be at least 13 years of age to attend. All participants must sign a waiver. Minors must have waiver signed by parent or adult guardian. Restroom facilities and water fountain are available on site. Bring additional drinks and snack, if desired. Participants should come prepared with water shoes, sunglasses, sunscreen, hat and paper & pen. Please bring a towel and dry clothes. You will get wet!

Advance registration is required. For space information call 981-6039.

For more details on course content call Steve Baker, 747-1454 or Michelle Baker, 747-1456.

Name: _____ Male _____ Female _____

Parent's Name(s) if minor child: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address if Orange Beach Resident: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Make checks payable to: Omega Holdings, Inc.

Send Applications with payment to:
City of Orange Beach, P & R Department
Attn: Kayak Course
P.O. Box 458, Orange Beach, AL 36561

Class Date _____

Indicate which date you are registering for.



Orange Beach Battle at the Beach - Junior Championships

October 2 - 4, 2009

**Make plans now to be a part of the
Orange Beach
Battle at the Beach - Junior Championships**

Sponsored By -
Cotton's Restaurant
Seafood, Steaks, Spirits

For more information, contact the
Orange Beach Tennis Center 251-974-6387
obtennis@gulftel.com

Deadline - Monday, September 28, 2009

**To Register, visit -
tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/schedule/search.aspx
Tournament I.D. # 703248709**

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Water Closed to Public

Agua Cerrada al Público



High Hazard

High Surf and/or Strong Currents

Peligro Alto, Resaca Alta y/o Corrientes Fuertes



Medium Hazard

Moderate Surf and/or Currents

Peligro Medio, Resaca Moderada y/o Corrientes Fuertes



Low Hazard

Calm Conditions, Exercise Caution

Peligro Bajo, Condiciones Calmas, Tenga Cuidado



Dangerous Marine Life

Vida Marina Peligrosa

Absence of Flags Does Not Assure Safe Waters

La Ausencia de Banderas No Asegura Aguas Seguras

