



February 2018

RUN OAK ISLAND

This will be the third annual "Run Oak Island" event and it includes a 1-Mile fun run/walk to support the Oak Island Turtle Patrol and Parks & Rec Program, as well as a 5K & Half Marathon race series. We also have Full Marathon. Runners will earn the first piece of the World's Largest Race Series Medal in the BAM! Race Series. This is followed by a fun after party and awards in the park on February 17th. Contact Johnna Terragna 713-3331. Volunteers are needed. Please call 278-5518.

The Oak Island Beach Ambassador program is seeking new volunteers for the 2018 season. If you are at least 21 years of age and willing to commit a minimum of 20 hours of service for the season (April through September), please contact Skip Cox, program manager, at skipncsu@gmail.com or (910) 880-0620 for more information or to receive an application.

AARP TAX-AIDE

Free tax return assistance available to low and moderate income taxpayers. Returns are done by trained and IRS-Certified preparers. The returns can be electronically transmitted directly to the IRS and State of NC. Oak Island Senior Center, Tuesdays noon to 4 p.m. and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. from February 1st. through April 17th. Any questions, call Ron Kracht at (910) 477-6123.

Safe Boating Class meets N.C. State Requirements

February 10, 2018

On Saturday, February 10, 2018, the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will provide a special one-day boating course that satisfies all state requirements. Any person born on or after January 1, 1988, must complete an approved boating safety course before operating a vessel with a motor of 10 hp or greater on North Carolina waters. The Course will be taught at the [Boiling Springs Lakes Community Center, 1 Leeds Rd. Boiling Springs Lakes, NC 28461](#) from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, February 10, 2018. Course fee is \$30.00 per person or \$50.00 for two by cash or check at the door, or PayPal on the Flotilla's website. Additional information is also posted on the Flotilla's Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/Flotilla10.05/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel To register, contact Dawn Smith at BoatingSafely@ec.rr.com, or go to www.Flotilla10-05.org and click on Boating Courses > About Boating Safely.

Mardi Gras by the Sea Parade & Festival

February 24th, 2018

Kick Off Event - Parade begins at 1 p.m. at SE 63rd St. and ends at SE 46th St. The Festival will be at Middleton Park soccer field 1- 4 p.m. NO FEE for the parade entries for people or pets! To enter your golf cart or float in the parade just pick up forms at the Recreation Center. Prizes will be awarded for best float and most spirited float. Activities include: People Parade & Costume Contest, Pet Costume Parade & Contest, Live Entertainment, Kids Activities, Food Vendors, Arts & Crafts and more! Enter your dog in the Pet Costume Parade! The Pet Parade will leave from the soccer field and circle Middleton Park at 3 p.m. Awards will be presented for the "best dressed" pooch and owner. For information call Parks and Recreation at (910) 278-5518.

Volunteers Needed

Are you a retired police officer or firefighter? Do you like meeting new people? Do you need a reason to spend even more time on the beach?

The Town of Oak Island is seeking volunteers to help in a variety of ways. We are looking for police volunteers to help enforce parking regulations and firefighters to drive a truck in parades or work community events. We also need Beach Ambassadors — citizens who will help explain the beach rules to visitors. If you are interested in helping out in one of these areas or in some other way, please fill out our Volunteer Application. You can pick one up at Town Hall or download one here: <http://www.oakislandnc.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Volunteer-Application.pdf>. (Please note that background checks will be required). For more information, please contact Rose Braam at (910) 201-8015 or rbraam@ci.oak-island.nc.us.

Thank you for your interest in serving the Town of Oak Island!

FORT CASWELL
&
UNCW
MARINE MAMMAL
STRANDING
PROGRAM

**OAK ISLAND STRANDING:
THE RESULTS
FEBRUARY 9**

6:30-7:30 PM | FORT CASWELL
ANN PABST & WILLIAM MCLELLAN
DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY & MARINE BIOLOGY

DISCUSSING:

- MARINE MAMMAL STRANDINGS
- WHAT WE CAN LEARN FROM STRANDINGS
- FOCUS ANIMAL: SPERM WHALE ON OAK ISLAND
- TEST RESULTS FROM NECROPSY



RSVP BY FEBRUARY 8TH • CALL 910-278-9501

