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# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS February 13-19, 2021**

The Learning Campus at Gulf State Park is pleased to offer an exciting array of fun, entertaining and educational programs for the whole family!

#### SATURDAY, February 13

2:00 - 3:00 PM Guided Tour of Gulf State Park Pier / All Ages / \$3.00 per person — Join our Naturalists as they guide you on an exclusive tour of the Pier. Learn all about the history and excitement of this resilient landmark!

Registration by 2/12 is required for this event: to request a registration form, email <a href="mailto:Cindy.Langston@dcnr.alabama.gov">Cindy.Langston@dcnr.alabama.gov</a> or call (251) 948-7275, press 0, then 2, then ext. 2101.

#### TUESDAY, February 16

10:00 - 11:00 AM and 6:00 – 7:00 PM Preparing for the Good Times Ahead / All Ages / FREE Whether you are new to investing, retiring soon or somewhere in between join us to learn the basics of ESG investing and how to incorporate sustainable investing into your financial plan. Do well while doing good.

#### WEDNESDAY, February 17

10:00-11:00 AM Hurricane Ivan / All Ages / FREE - Learn of the devastation experienced during one of the areas most destructive hurricanes. Slide show shares vivid pictures of Gulf State Park and the steps to recovery. Lessons learned prepared the area for future weather occurrences.

1:00-2:00 PM Journey through the Solar System / All Ages / FREE – An exploration of the solar system hosted by Bill Rattner, GSP. For stargazers of all levels and will cover basic astronomy including sun, moon, stars, and planets.

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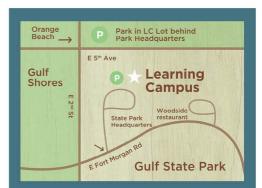
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#### **THURSDAY, February 18**

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Pine Needle Workshop / Ages 12 and up / \$5.00 per person - Learn the art of pine needle basketry under the guidance of our Gulf State Park naturalist as you create a coaster or the beginnings of your own basket.

Registration required: in person at Gulf State Park Nature
Center or phone (251) 948-7275 ext 5.





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\*Covid-19 Guidelines:

All programs follow the CDC's COVID-19 guidelines for recreational camps, including physical distancing, proper hygiene, masks, cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting

# GULF STATE PARK WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

To keep our guests and staff safe during this pandemic, we are practicing social distancing for all our programs.

Space for programs is now limited and will be granted on a first come first serve basis.

No entry allowed after the designated start time of the program.

#### **Sunday 2/14**

#### The Nature Center is Closed on Sundays.

10:00 AM — **Camper Devotion**: Meet at *covered porch of the Nature Center* or below that at the *Amphitheater*. Nondenominational & casual.

### **Monday 2/15**

9:00 AM — **Horseshoes**: Meet at the *Horseshoe Courts*.

9:00 AM — Prime Time Fitness: Meet at the *Camp Store Pavilion*. This will take place outdoors; please dress accordingly. Inclement weather will result in cancellation.

10:00 AM — **Volleyball:** Meet at the *Volleyball Courts*.

2:00 PM — **Talk About Turtles!** Come to the *Nature Center* to learn some of the interesting facts about the turtles that can be found around Gulf State Park, including the protected Gopher Tortoise.

### Tuesday 2/16

9:00 AM — **Horseshoes**: Meet at the *Horseshoe Courts*.

9:00 AM – Ladies Social (Distancing) and Crafts: Meet in the *Education Building* next to the Nature Center to work on your project or come learn a new one with like-minded ladies.

11:00 AM — Pirates of Perdido Bay: Come to the Nature Center to hear exciting tales of the local pirates who traversed the Gulf of Mexico in search of treasure!

2:00 PM — Carnivorous Plants of Gulf State Park: Come to the *Nature Center* to learn about unique carnivorous plants that have adapted to their environment by eating insects. Our Naturalist will show you examples of these plants and explain how they survive in the poor soils found in bogs and marshes.

#### Wednesday 2/17

9:00 AM — **Horseshoes**: Meet at the *Horseshoe Courts*.

9:00 AM — **Prime Time Fitness:** Meet at the *Camp Store Pavilion*. This will take place outdoors; please dress accordingly. Inclement weather will result in cancellation.

## Wednesday 2/17

10:00 AM — **Volleyball:** Meet at the *Volleyball Courts*.

10:00 AM — **Hurricane Ivan Slide Show**: Come to the *Learning Campus* to relive the destruction of Gulf State Park on 9/16/2004. This slide presentation shows vivid pictures of Gulf State Park and the first steps in recovery.

1:00 PM — **Afternoon Tunes!:** Please join us at each week at the *Amphitheater* beside the Nature Center for open-mic style music. Come and play or just listen in. Weather permitting.

1:00 PM — **Understanding our Solar System:** Where in the universe are we? How did scientists begin to answer this question? The Kepler's Three Laws are the foundation that explain how the planets in the Milky Way move. This simplified course will help you discover how our Earth, and the planets among us, fit into our galaxy. Meet at the *Learning Campus* for this program.

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## Thursday 2/18

8:30 AM — Yoga: (60 min.) All levels are welcome. Bring a mat, water bottle, and meet at the covered porch of the Nature Center.
9:00 AM — Horseshoes: Meet at the Horseshoe Courts.
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM — Pine Needle Basketry @ the Learning Campus: Learn the art of making beautiful pine needle baskets and revel in the history of this amazing skill. Registration is required and space is limited. Please sign up at the Nature Center by 2/16. There is a \$5 fee due at the time of sign-up. Please bring a mask for when the instructor will need to demonstrate certain techniques within 6 feet of participants.

### Thursday 2/18

1:00 PM — **Constellations:** Find your way through the night sky by learning how to locate constellations! Come to the *Nature Center* for this stellar program!

## **Friday 2/19**

9:00 AM — **Horseshoes**: Meet at the *Horseshoe Courts*.

9:00 AM — Prime Time Fitness: Meet at the *Camp Store Pavilion*. This will take place outdoors; please dress accordingly. Inclement weather will result in cancellation.

10:00 AM — Volleyball: Meet at the Volleyball Courts.

10:00 AM — Video: First Flight – A Mother Hummingbird's Story:

(48 min.) View stunning close-up photography as a mother Black-chinned Hummingbird builds her nest and raises her babies. Meet at the GSP Education Building for this program.

## Saturday 2/20

9:00 AM — **Horseshoes**: Meet at the *Horseshoe Courts*.

10:00 AM to 2:00 PM — **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Family Fun Day**: Join us at the *Gulf State Park Beach Pavilion* (22252 East Beach Blvd, Gulf Shores) for this free family event! Spend quality time with members of your family learning about Gulf State Park and outdoor recreation opportunities!

#### **Beads of Blessing - Beading Art Class:**

Join Deb McPeck and create a beautiful original piece of beaded window art! This class will be offered on Monday, February 22<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday February 24<sup>th</sup> at the Nature Center. Registration is required and space is limited. Please visit the Nature Center for additional information and to sign up.

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