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Fair Winds
By JOC Jim Pugh

With just three days remaining before the second annual "Mayport and All That Jazz" seafood and jazz festival, I decided to spend a few minutes thinking about what I remember best about last year's celebration.

- We opened Gate 5 on A1A leading to the parking areas on the Mayport Naval Station at 7:30 that morning. Already one young couple was waiting outside the gate. "But," I said, "the shuttle buses won't begin operating for another 2½ hours." "That's all right," the man replied, "We're going to be first in line and right down front all day long. We don't want to miss a minute."
- The attitude of the crowd was great. When it became apparent shortly after the day began that the crowd was going to be much larger than anticipated, and the lines waiting for buses grew longer and the traffic started backing up farther and farther on Mayport Road toward Atlantic Boulevard, most of the those waiting took it in stride. Up went the trunk lids, out came the coolers and picnic baskets, and the volume on the car radios and tape decks grew as the traffic inched forward and the party began, no matter how far away from the festival site the jazz buffs may have been.
- Probably most impressive to me last year was the continued excellence of the quality of both food and service at the restaurants. Faced with a non-stop standing-room-only crowd from the time they opened their doors, the restaurants continued to provide sustenance to the foot-weary hungry patrons with the same cheery attitude that they provide for customers throughout the year.

This year, festival organizers are planning for more of everything — and in many cases more may mean less of the frustrations encountered last year:

- More parking spaces will be available on the naval station. Many, many more shuttle buses will be on hand right from the start this year. More police will be available for traffic control, and five "park and ride" lots have been set aside in the Beaches with those shuttle buses being given priority right of way to the festival — all designed to lessen the traffic congestion and give festival goers more opportunity to enjoy the seafood and jazz.
- More big-name entertainers will be on hand this year to provide 14 solid hours of music, beginning at 9 a.m. and culminating with the 10 p.m. performance of Buddy Rich and his band.
- More arts and crafts will be on display in what is fast becoming one of the biggest art shows in the South.
- More seafood, more traditional fare, more Southern specialties, and more liquid refreshment — all planned to keep the more than 100,000 expected visitors to Mayport on Saturday enjoying themselves all day long.

The only thing that might dampen the spirits of all the planners and participants and all those intending to be part of this happening would be bad weather. Last year it was sunny and breezy all day long, and perhaps a wish for "fair winds and following seas" during the second "Mayport and All That Jazz" will inspire a repeat performance in that area also.

(JOC Jim Pugh is public information officer at Naval Station Mayport.)



DOUG SHAVER/Neighbor Staff

Sleigh Market boutique

Residents of the Charter Point area are getting ready for their annual Christmas bazaar and boutique, called the Sleigh Market, to be held Nov. 5 at 5403 Fern Creek Drive. Shown here with a few of the many items to be offered are (from left) Ellen Pendleton, Ozzie Wade and Susan Griffin.

Tourney to benefit Hope Haven

The Third Invitational Tong Soo Do (Korean Karate) Tournament and Exhibition will be held Saturday at the Orange Park High School gymnasium.

Proceeds from the event, which is sponsored by Pak's Karate Academy, 2225 Blanding Blvd., will be given to the Hope Haven Children's Asscciation.

Nursing seminar slated Saturday

The second in a series of eight Continuing Education Programs for registered and licensed practical nurses in Duval and Nassau counties will be held Saturday beginning at 8 a.m. on the third floor of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Building on Riverside Avenue.

The program, which enables nursing personnel to meet their continuing eduction requirements will conclude at 12:30 p.m.

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