

Dear PBA Members,

Turtle, Turtle, Turtle! May 1 was the beginning of our nesting season, and we are excited to announce that on June 5th the Pensacola Beach Advocates will be having a Sea Turtle Baby Shower from 10 AM to NOON at the Gulfside Pavilion at Casino Beach. We are joined by *The Island Times*, Santa Rosa Island Authority, and The Pensacola Beach Chamber as our co-sponsors. It will be a free, educational, and entertaining morning for all. There is plenty of room for parking or you can ride your bike. Bring the family for a morning of fun or come out to volunteer! I have a special surprise for all of our current PBA members so stop by the PBA Hospitality booth to pick it up.

Here is what you should expect. We will have exhibits by the Navarre Beach Sea Turtle Conservation Center, Escambia Natural Resources turtle patrol, Healthy Gulf, Pensacola and Perdido Estuary, The Audubon Society, National Park Services, 4H, the Pensacola Beach Lifeguards, and a special appearance by Mendy the Mermaid for story time at 11 am.

Shelley Johnson will open things up by giving the sea turtle oath at 10 am.

With our Covid plans in tact, the exhibitors will have hands-on activities, crafts, games, and all sorts of Turtle fun to educate and entertain.

Boogie Inc will be there to provide music and there will be turtle jewelry and photography for sale.

While supplies last, children who participate in the exhibits and crafts will receive an activity booklet with crayons and a turtle treat.

It will certainly be a morning of fun, and I would love to see you there.

Here is how you can help!

VOLUNTEER JOBS

8 AM – 10 AM – 3-4 volunteers to help exhibitors unload and set up their tent and tables.

10 AM to NOON

Welcome Table (PBA Hospitality Table)

- 2-4 volunteers. Give empty white lunch bag to participants who want to walk through exhibits. Explain event.
- 2 runners to offer water to exhibitors.
- 2 volunteers to sell Sea Turtle Tiara Raffle Tickets
- 1 volunteer to give away PBA buttons to membership (Oops! I spoiled your surprise.) Collect new memberships.

PBA Turtle Game Tables- 3

-Bean Bag Toss – 2 volunteers (bean bags will be sanitized with 24 hour spray)

-How do you Measure Up Board? – Children will step on scale and have a selfie photo-op with the turtle board.

-Sea Turtle Hatching Craft - children will be given baking soda and a miniature sea turtle charm to make an egg. They will take the egg home and pour vinegar on it to watch the turtle hatch.

Prize Table /Cookie Distribution Table (On Stage)– 4 volunteers to give out activity booklet and crayons and 1 treat to participants with 6-8 turtle stamps on white lunch bag...while supplies last.

NOON – 4 Volunteers to help exhibitors disassemble booths and general pick up.

Doesn't this sound like fun? Especially, the Sea Turtle Tiara raffle. Raffles are only \$5 and all proceeds go to benefit the Navarre Beach Sea Turtle Conservation Center.

Click the link below to purchase tickets online or stop by our table the day of. Not only do you win this beautiful Sea Turtle Tiara pictured below, but a sash and the honorary title of Ms. Sea Turtle Queen for 2021 - with an opportunity to ride in the Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade. There is a second drawing for a one year membership to the NBSTCC. The drawing will be at 11:45 am on June 5th. Winner need not be present.

Pray for beautiful weather, and help others learn about the nesting habits of sea turtles and the beautiful eco-system at the place we call home. Please email me at info@pbadvocates.org or rsdorfman@att.net if you can volunteer.

This won't be the last time you will hear from me about this. I have fliers available as well so email me if you want one.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Dorfman
PBA President

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