

# Thanksgiving Weekend at The Grand November 21 - 25, 2012

### **Event & Recreation Map**



Special thanks for photography to Brian Kasch (Grand Feature Pool, pg. 7) and Susan Stein Grand Ducks, pg. 6 & 11).





#### **Resort Shop**

Open 7 days a week

Relax at the resort in style. Stop by the Resort Gift Shop, located in the lobby of the Main Building and browse our newly arrived merchandise. Quality, convenience and variety make us a perfect choice for your shopping. Extension 6659.

#### Lakewood Golf Shop

Open 7 days a week · Hours: 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Come by the Golf Pro Shop and check out the great selection of men's, ladies' and children's apparel. We carry fashions by Fairway & Greene, Nike, Vineyard Vines, and several other vendors. We also carry golf equipment and accessories. Extension 6706.

#### **Tennis Shop**

Open 7 days a week · Hours: 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

The Tennis Shop has a wide selection of men's and ladies' and children's tennis apparel plus Nike, Babolat and Wilson products. Swing in and check out what we have to offer! Extension 6395.

#### The Spa Boutique

Open 7 days a week

Located on the first floor of the SpaBuilding. A visit to the Grand would not be complete until you experience the Spa Boutique. Aromatherapy candles, body lotions, and relaxing music, not to mention the latest styles in yoga and fitness apparel are available. Extension 6385.

#### Fine Art Exhibits

Guests of The Grand Hotel Marriott Resort, Golf Club & Spa can now enjoy art that is thoughtfully incorporated into the décor. Exquisite prints and originals by the renowned, Alabama native artist Nall are exhibited throughout the Main Lobby, Grand Dining Room, Spa, and in each guestroom. Guests at the Grand Hotel can be seen studying Nall's pieces, discovering something new with every glance. Nall's original work: mixed media, surrealistic florals, and landscapes that literally leave the edges of the canvas to extend on to the frame and beyond. Art is available for purchase through the Resort Shop. Originals may be purchased through Lyons Share Custom Frame & Gallery in Fairhope. *www.nallart.com* 

#### Art on the Mezzanine

At Your Leisure ~ 2nd Floor of the Main Building

Enjoy the Grand tradition of an on-site local art exhibition on the Mezzanine, coordinated by the Eastern Shore Art Center's Outreach Program.



Artwork changes every three months. Our current exhibitor is Brenda Parnell, whose pieces are available for purchase. Inquiries may be made through the Resort Gift Shop, Extension 6659.

#### **Family Portraits in Pastels**

Art Smith will be here to capture your family forever in pastels! Art is available by appointment throughout the holiday season and can be made by calling him directly at (251) 232-1667.

# Let's Play

#### The Spa at the Grand Hotel

Come and experience the wonderful offering of our 20,000 square foot European Spa that includes a full service Salon. Imagine the experience of a relaxing massage, the sensory delights of aromatherapy, luxurious facials, and heavenly body and nail treatments. All are designed to renew your vitality, relax your body, and rejuvenate your spirit! Call the Spa Reservations Desk at Extension 6385 to book your appointment. Book early as we fill up quickly!

#### Golf

Lakewood Golf Club at the Grand Hotel Marriott Resort is open to anyone who enjoys playing golf in a setting rich with history and tradition! Play both the Dogwood and Azalea courses! Yardages for all levels of play. Special rates for juniors. Call Extension 6312 for tee times.



#### Tennis

Point, set, and match! Bring your racket or rent one of ours, and take in a little court time! The tennis courts at the Lakewood Club at the Colony are fully equipped and staffed with professionals willing and eager to assist you. Our facility includes nine hydra-courts and one hard court. For information and court times you may call extension 6395. Courts are complimentary to hotel guests and reservations are required. The courts are lighted for your evening playing pleasure.



#### **Fishing and Sailing Charters**



Whether you are looking to spend the day fishing or sailing, we can make reservations for you with several experienced captains to take you out on Mobile Bay.

#### MAKING WAVE CHARTERS

Captain Cindy Frank is ready and waiting to take you out into Mobile Bay or beyond to catch the big one. Call (251) 209-1168 to arrange your trip.

#### THE SCHOONER JOSHUA

Take a sail on the 72 ft. coastal schooner "Joshua," Mobile's official Tall Ship! This is an opportunity you do not want to miss! Call Cindy Frank at (251)209-1168 for age requirements, fees, and sail times.

#### **Horseback Riding**

There's nothing quite like a family trail ride in the fall! Oak Hollow Farms, a locally owned and operated horse farm, is waiting to take your family on an adventure! For information and reservations you may call the Concierge Desk at extension 6721.

#### **Grand Bikes**

The Grand Hotel has bicycles available for your enjoyment. Whether you wish to pedal around the grounds of The Grand or ride into downtown Fairhope, this activity you are sure to enjoy! Bikes are available from the Beach Hut seven days a week between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please dial "O" from any hotel phone for assistance. Parents must sign a rental agreement for children to ride. Helmets are available and are required for all children under the age of 16. Bikes are complimentary for the first hour with a minimal charge thereafter. Please have them returned before dark.



#### Putting Green, Croquet, Horseshoes, Bocce, Ping-Pong, Volleyball

All games are located on the North side of the property from Julep Point to the Grand Pool. You will find the volleyball net ready for play on the North Beach. Bocce Ball is available by calling your Resort Activities Staff at extension 6343.

#### **Fitness Center**

#### Open 7 days a week

It is open 24 hours and after 8 p.m. it is only accessible with room key.

The Spa Fitness Center, located on the first floor of the Spa Building, overlooks the Marina and supplies you with a vast array of new equipment. Don't forget about the indoor lap pool located at the Spa! Indoor pool is open 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### **Tom Sawyer's Playground**

Located under the magnolia trees in the outdoor pool complex is our children's playground, featuring Tom Sawyer's tree house, climbing slide, digging tool, seesaw, and a whole lot of sand to amuse the little ones! **Parents note: This area is unsupervised.Please enjoy this with your children.** Enter through the main gate of the Pool Pavilion and follow the walk to the left to gain access to the playground.

#### Game Room

For the dedicated video game enthusiasts among us! The game room is located on the first floor of the North Bay House adjacent to the elevators. There is a change machine available for your convenience.

#### **The Grand Ducks**

The Grand Hotel is home to a flock of ducks that have become part of our family! They look forward to amusing you while you toss them cracked corn (available at the Concierge Desk). *Complimentary* 





### Grand Fun Camp

Parents may take advantage of our children's social program while you participate in one of our adult activities on property. Two sessions are offered daily: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.- 10:00 p.m. Kids may participate in age appropriate games, arts and crafts, and movies as well as resort exploration in a safe and monitored environment. **Reservations are required at least 8 hours prior to the start of desired session.** There is a minimum of 3 children for Fun Camp to be held.

Fee: \$35 per child.

Must be 5 years of age and completely independent with bathroom needs; no exceptions please. For reservations please go by the Concierge Desk or call Extension 6721.

There will be no Fun Camp on Thanksgiving Day.

#### **Grand Feature Pool**



The Feature Pool is open daily from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m.

#### **Grand Fishing Pier**

Whether you just want to sit and relax or catch the big one, the pier is ready and waiting for you. You will find cane fishing poles and bait on the pier for your enjoyment.

#### **The Secret Garden**

Begin or continue your romantic traditions in our Secret Garden. Experts will help plan this special occasion with unique touches that are sure to amaze you. Our table for two is the most exclusive dining experience in the Southeast, so please call soon to reserve your special day and discuss menu options. **Reservations only - Please call (251) 928 - 9201 Extension 6653** 





#### The Grand Coffee Shoppe

Located directly off the Main Lobby Daily 6:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

#### The Dining Room

Resort Casual **Breakfast 7:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.** Breakfast Buffet with Menu Service Available. **Lunch 11:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. \* Monday - Saturday** Lunch Buffet with Menu Service Available. **Sunday Brunch 11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.** Reservations recommended, Dial "O" from hotel phone.

#### Saltwater Grill

Casual Family Dining Dinner Only 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Reservations recommended, Dial "O" from hotel phone.

#### **Grand Dining Room**

Upscale - Casual Dining Dinner Only 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Reservations recommended, Dial "O" from hotel phone. Live entertainment nightly

#### **Bucky's Birdcage Lounge**

Lounge / Appetizers Monday - Friday 2:00 p.m. – Midnight Saturday & Sunday 11:00 a.m. – Midnight Located directly off the Main Lobby Live entertainment nightly, 8:00 p.m. – Midnight

#### Sweetwater Cafe

Casual Family Dining Tuesday - Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Sunday & Monday 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Located at Lakewood Club at The Colony \*Closed Thanksgiving Day\*





#### **Children's Candy Corn Guess** November 21st - 25th

Kids, make sure to stop by our Concierge Desk, located in the lobby of the Main building, to take a shot at winning our jar of candy corn! Write down your name and guess to see how close you can get to the exact amount. The winner's name will be posted at the Concierge Desk by 10:00 a.m. on Sunday.

#### **Children's Coloring Contest** November 21st - 25th

Children of all ages are invited to enter our Kid's Coloring Contest. Stop by our Concierge Desk to pick up your coloring sheet and box of crayons. All entries are due by 7:00 p.m. Saturday. Winning pictures will be posted at the Concierge Desk by 10:00 a.m. Sunday.

#### Family Fun Room & Toddler Area

Had enough fun in the sun? Take a break and visit Salon AB in the Conference Center with family games and such just for you! Open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. **Parents, this room is unsupervised.** 

# *Ready, Aim, Fire!* A Grand Salute to the Military

This tradition begins every day in the Main Hotel Lobby at 3:45 p.m. with a brief historic presentation, followed by a procession around the Grand Hotel grounds, concluding with the firing of the cannon at



approximately 4:00 p.m. This is a salute to today's military and those who have passed through this historic resort.

#### The Ringing of the Bell at Sunset

A Southern Tradition which signals the end of the day and beginning of the night...Let the bell's toll move you to the porch of Bucky's to enjoy a spectacular Mobile Bay Sunset. The sunset is so beautiful, we had to concoct a drink in honor of it...the *Mobile Bay Sunset* touting the same gorgeous colors displayed as in the sky. We begin our celebration thirty minutes before sunset so get there early; seats begin filling up at least an hour prior. Sunset is at approximately 4:51 p.m.



# Holiday Activities

All Activities are complimentary unless otherwise noted.

### Wednesday November 21st, 2012

#### **Coffee in The Grand Coffee Shoppe** 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

Hot steaming coffee is provided in The Grand Coffee Shoppe located in the Main Building for early risers! Enjoy a cup of our famous brew while you read the paper, chat with other



guests, or enjoy the beauty of the Grand surroundings.

#### **Grand Bicycle Tour** 10:00 a.m.

Meet our Resort Activities Staff at the Beach Hut, located behind the Feature pool, for a historical bike ride around The Grand.

#### **Popsicle Stick Puzzles** 12:00 p.m.

Come on over the Family Fun Room in Salons AB in the Conference Center to create your very own puzzle.

#### **Flag Football**

#### 2:00 p.m.

Meet our Resort Activities Staff on the beach located behind North Bayhouse to enjoy a friendly game of flag football. Boys, be sure to bring your "A game" because the girls will be some stiff competition!

#### Afternoon Tea 4:00 p.m.

You are cordially invited to join us in the Grand tradition of afternoon tea located in the Upper Lobby of the Main Building. It is our pleasure to with provide you an assortment of delicious



cookies, coffee and specialty teas.



#### Pinecone Turkeys 4:30 p.m.

Meet our Resort Activities Staff at the Craft Patio to make one of our favorite crafts, a Pinecone Turkey! Don't forget to bring your creativity with you!

### Glow in the Dark Scavenger Hunt 6:30 p.m.

Craft Patio is the place to begin this fun scavenger hunt that will have you searching all over for some glow-in-the-dark goodies. The first person back with one of each item is our winner!

#### Just Dance-PS3 Move 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Come on over to the putting green outside of Bucky's Lounge to show us your moves! We will have our Playstation Move game, *Just Dance* helping you along!

# Thanksgiving Day Thursday, November 22nd, 2012

### Coffee in the Grand Coffee Shoppe 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

Hot steaming coffee is provided in The Grand Coffee Shoppe located in the Main Building for early risers! Enjoy a cup of our famous brew while you read the paper, chat with other guests, or enjoy the beauty of the Grand surroundings.



### Feed the Grand Ducks 10:00 a.m.

Meet our Resort Activities Staff at the Concierge Desk to begin the search for the Grand Ducks.





#### **GRAND THANKSGIVING BUFFET**

Our traditional Thanksgiving Buffet with all the trimmings! RESERVATIONS REQUIRED! You can make reservations by dialing "O" from your room phone.

#### 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Grand Ballroom

\$59.95 for adults, \$29.95 for children (5 to 11) **11:45 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** Grand Dining Room \$59.95 for adults, \$29.95 for children (5 to 11)

### Turkey Hunt Bags 11:00 a.m.

Kids, bring your creativity with you to Conference Center in Salons AB where you will decorate your very own Turkey Hunt Bag!

#### **Roaming Tom Turkey** 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Tom the Turkey is feeling confident now that he isn't being dished up for your Thanksgiving meal! Kids, be on the lookout for Turkey sightings between the Grand Dining Room and the Conference Center Buffet! Parents, this is a great opportunity for a photo!



#### Holiday Apron Craft 1:00 p.m.

Join our Resort Activities Staff in the Conference Center in Salons AB to decorate a holiday apron of your very own!

#### **Carriage Rides**

#### 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Take in the old southern charm of the Grand Hotel while you trot around the property in a horse-drawn carriage. The carriage will be loading passengers in front of the North Bay House for memory-making rides.

### Cookie Decorating 3:00 p.m.

Come on over to the Conference Center in Salons AB and decorate your own sugar cookie. Be sure to bring your holiday apron and put it to good use!





#### Afternoon Tea 4:00 p.m.

You are cordially invited to join us in the Grand tradition of afternoon tea located in the Upper Lobby of the Main Building. It is our pleasure to provide you with an assortment of delicious cookies, coffee and specialty teas.

#### GRAND THANKSGIVING DINNER BUFFET 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

We are pleased to offer our traditional Thanksgiving Buffet. Reservations are required and can be made by dialing "0" from your room phone or by visiting our Concierge Desk. Dinner is held in the Sky Lounge from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Prices are \$59.95 for adults and \$29.95 for children ages 5-11.



### **Story Time with Pocahontas & Tom Turkey** *5:30 p.m.*

Join Pocahontas and Tom the Turkey in the Card Room for story time. While listening to the story, everyone will also be making homemade butter to go on top of delicious corn bread! We will be waiting for you in the Card Room so come join us to celebrate Thanksgiving!

#### Fire Roasted Apples

#### 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Meet our Resort Activities Staff at the beach, located behind North Bayhouse, for an old fashion apple roasting, complete with cinnamon and sugar! Don't miss out on this tasty treat!

#### Turkey "Tuck In"

#### 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Children, the Grand Turkeys are out and about! The Grand Turkey, accompanied by either a pilgrim or Pocahontas, is looking for children to meet and tuck in! We hear Tom the Turkey has a special gift bag for each child he visits and is ready to take a picture as well! The fee for this activity is \$10.00 per room. Reservations are required and can be made by dialing extension 6721 or by visiting the Concierge desk, located in the Main lobby.



# Friday November 23rd, 2012

### **Coffee in the Grand Coffee Shoppe** 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

Hot steaming coffee is provided in The Grand Coffee Shoppe located in the Main Building for early risers! Enjoy a cup of our famous brew while you read the paper, chat with other guests, or enjoy the beauty of the Grand surroundings.

#### Bike Ride to Punta Clara Candy Kitchen 9:00 a.m.

Join the Resort Activities Staff at the Beach Hut for a scenic ride beachside. We will visit Punta Clara Kitchens so bring your wallet and your sweet tooth!



#### Grand Turkey Hunt! 11:00 a.m.

It's that time again! Our turkeys have nests all over the property, how many can you find? Grab your parents and meet our Resort Activities staff on Bent Oak Lawn, located near the Main Gate. Families will follow clues to locate the turkeys. Parents, please help make this activity fun for all participants by bringing back only **one turkey per family from each nest.** Be sure to bring along your Turkey Hunt Bags! The clue sheets and pencils will be provided. We'll award a prize to the family who gathers up the most turkeys by noon today. Good Luck!

### Christmas Countdown Calendar 1:00 p.m.

Now that Thanksgiving Day has come and gone, it's time to start your countdown until Christmas! Come meet us in Salons AB in the Conference Center for this craft.



#### It's Gingerbread Time! 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Always popular, this one fills up the house! Join our Resort staff in Activities Grand Ballroom located in the Conference Center. Each family will build the best house they can with the items provided. Once they are finished, our Grand Chef will assess each entry for creativity



and difficulty. First, second, and third prizes awarded! The entry fee is \$10.00 per house and each family must register by stopping by the Concierge desk or by dialing extension 6721.

#### Afternoon Tea 4:00 p.m.

You are cordially invited to join us in the Grand tradition of afternoon tea located in the Upper Lobby of the Main Building. It is our pleasure to provide you with an assortment of delicious cookies, coffee and specialty teas.

### Holiday Welcome Reception 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

You are cordially invited to attend this Grand Holiday Tradition! Join us in the Lagoon Room located on the second floor of the Main Building for this holiday reception. Resort attire required. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and spirits. Children, don't think we forgot about you! Come visit our carnival in the Card Room and try out our games!

### Grand Holiday Kick Off: Lighting of the Oak 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Join the Grand Hotel in welcoming another Christmas season! The lighting of the oak symbolizes the Grand transition into the holidays. Help us usher in the season with carolers, hot chocolate and apple cider! Stake your spot on the Porte-cochere for this festive activity!





#### Grand Hay Rides 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Bundle up and join us for a "bale" of fun as we take a ride around the property! Children must be accompanied by an adult.



### **Coffee in the Grand Coffee Shoppe** 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

Hot steaming coffee is provided in The Grand Coffee Shoppe located in the Main Building for early risers! Enjoy a cup of our famous brew while you read the paper, chat with other guests, or enjoy the beauty of the Grand surroundings.

#### Breakfast with Santa! 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Breakfast is served in the main dining room from 7:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Santa will be available for pictures from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Come get your picture made with Santa and enjoy our award winning breakfast buffet. Picture packages are available. Reservations are required and can be made by dialing "0" from your room phone or by visiting our Concierge Desk.

\$20.95 for Adults, \$10.50 for Children (ages 5-11) \*\***RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**\*\*

#### Round Robin Tennis Tournament 9:00 a.m.

Are you up for a game of tennis? Join us for our Thanksgiving Round Robin! This is a great time of year for tennis and a wonderful opportunity to meet others who share your passion for



the game. There is a fee of \$15.00 per person and you must be at least 16 years of age to play. For information dial extension 6395.

#### Seashell Hunt 10:00 a.m.

Join the Resort Activities Staff on the beach in front of North Bayhouse and load your bag with beautiful shells!



#### Grand Activity Land 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Come join us at Bent Oak Lawn for a fun Tailgate Party. We'll have a rock wall, lawn games and a bounce house for you to enjoy. We will be serving popcorn and cotton candy as well! Uncle Joe and his Rolling Zoo will be here! We hope to see you there!

#### **Turkey Tag**

#### 3:00 p.m.

After Grand Activity Land, stick around for a fun game of Turkey Tag at Bent Oak Lawn.

#### Afternoon Tea 4:00 p.m.

You are cordially invited to join us in the Grand tradition of afternoon tea located in the Upper Lobby of the Main Building. It is our pleasure to provide you with an assortment of delicious cookies, coffee and specialty teas.



#### Family Bingo! 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

A Grand Tradition and family favorite, Bingo is back! Join our Resort Activities staff in the Grand Ballroom North, located in the Conference Center to try your luck in the many different styles of bingo we have to offer. We'll play for an entire hour, offering prizes for all ages.



#### Black Light Party 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Come join us in the Conference Center for a party you're sure to enjoy! Wear white t-shirts if you want to glow underneath the lights, and we will have face paints to illuminate your face!



# Sunday November 25th, 2012

### **Coffee in the Grand Coffee Shoppe** 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

Hot steaming coffee is provided in The Grand Coffee Shoppe located in the Main Building for early risers! Enjoy a cup of our famous brew while you read the paper, chat with other guests, or enjoy the beauty of the Grand surroundings.

### Bike Ride to Confederate Rest Cemetery 10:00 a.m.

Meet our Resort Activities Attendant at the Beach Hut, located behind the feature pool, for a ride to Confederate Rest Cemetery.

#### SUNDAY JAZZ BRUNCH

#### 11:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. - The Dining Room

Ranked "Best Sunday Brunch" by *Mobile Bay Monthly*, our famous Champagne Brunch will be a delight. Great food, fun, and "all that Jazz" await you! *Adults \$34.95, Children (5-11) \$17.50* Reservations are required and can be made by dialing "0" from your room phone or by visiting the Concierge Desk.



#### Paper Plate Turkey

#### 12:00 p.m.

Meet our Resort Activities Staff in Salons AB in the Conference Center to join us in doing this fun craft!

#### Piñata Time!

#### 2:00 p.m.

What better way to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday than with a candy filled piñata! Meet our Resort Activities Staff at the Craft Patio to participate.



#### Afternoon Tea 4:00 p.m.

You are cordially invited to join us in the Grand tradition of afternoon tea located in the Upper Lobby of the Main Building. It is our pleasure to provide you with an assortment of delicious cookies, coffee and specialty teas.

#### Giant Checkers 5:00 p.m.

Kids meet the Resort Activities Staff in Salons AB in the conference Center to challenge an opponent in Giant Checkers.











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