

A LETTER FROM THE CHAMBER PRESIDENT:

We're down to the last month of summer and it's been a busy one at the Port Isabel Chamber of Commerce.

Thousands of visitors and family vacationers have passed through our doors and enjoyed the panoramic view from the top of the Lighthouse. With school scheduled to start later in August this year, the 2007 summer season has been a welcome economic boost to the entire area.

We're also busy planning for our fall and winter events—the 14th Annual World's Championship Shrimp Cookoff and the 24th Annual Longest Causeway Run & Wellness Walk. Both of the events promise to be bigger and better than previous years, with additional sponsors and an anticipated increase in participation.

Please make plans to attend our monthly All Member meeting, scheduled to be held Friday, August 3rd at 8:30 am at Pirate's Landing. I look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

Betty Wells

President Port Isabel Chamber of Commerce

JULY NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS

Massage and Healing Arts Center



AUGUST IS FISHING TOURNAMENT TIME

The month of August will be a busy one as anglers from throughout the state of Texas and beyond converge to take part in the 69th Texas International Fishing Tournament.

Scheduled to be held August 1-5, TIFT is expected to attract more than 1500 registrants competing for prizes in divisions that include bay, tarpon and offshore. The event will be followed by the Ladies Kingfish Tournament, scheduled for August 10-12.

According to Tournament Director Betty Wells, more than 500 boats are expected at the 2007 event and tournament officials expect to set a new tournament record at registration. The family oriented fishing tournament offers categories for all ages from toddlers to octogenarians. Spectators are invited to view the catches dockside at Sea Ranch II @ Southpoint on Friday and Saturday. Spectator admission is free of charge.

MERCHANTS COMMITTEE CHANGES MEETING SCHEDULE

The Port Isabel Merchants Committee, a subcommittee of the Port Isabel Chamber of Commerce, will meet the second Wednesday of each month rather than the second and fourth Wednesdays.

The change to one meeting per month is designed to accommodate business owners who might not be able to attend two meetings per month. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 8th at 8:30 am at the Treasures of the Gulf Museum. Agenda items will include a presentation from TravelHost representatives and the fall/winter Play Money promotion.

Please make every attempt to attend these important meetings.

August Community & Chamber Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1-TIFT	2-TIFT	3-All Chamber meeting 8:30a (Pirates Landing) TIFT LHEC- (Bugs Bunny Movie) 9:30p	4-TIFT
5-TIFT	6-Parks & Rec. (City Hall) 6p	7-Board of Adjustments (City Hall) 6:30p City Commissioners (City Hall) 7p	8-Merchants Mtg. (Treasures) 8:30a Planning & Zoning (City Hall) 6p SPI Birding Ctr. Groundbreaking 6p	9- Time Warner Cable phone launch (Treasures) 5:30-7:30p Beautification Committee (City Hall) 5p	10-LHEC- Lighthouse Cinema (Shrek 2) 9:30p LKT (Ladies Kingfish Tournament)	11-LKT
12-LKT	13-LKT	14	15-EDC (City Hall) 6p Ambassador's (Treasures) 8:30a	16	17	18
19	20	21-City Commissioners (City Hall) 6p	22-Harlingen White Wings (PI/SPI Night) Hgn Field 7p	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30-Museums, Telling Our Stories (Treasures) 7p	31	

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