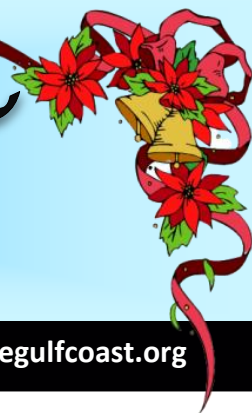




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YOU ARE INVITED - 4 EVENTS

TIM FOUST of HOME FREE
Induction Music Hall of Fame
Friday, November 29, 2019 - 2:00PM
HOME FREE

Don Narcisse
Canadian Football League Hall of Fame
Induction Sports Hall of Fame
Saturday, December 7, 2019 - 2:00PM
LHS

FREE Sat. FUN DAY
SANTA, CRAFTS & CAROLERS
Saturday, December 14, 2019
10:00- 2:00PM
LIVE REINDEER- 1:00-5PM

Mark Henry
The World's Strongest Man
Induction Sports Hall of Fame
Saturday, December 14, 2019 - 3:00PM

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What an amazing way to end in 2019. Last year we broke every attendance record since the museum opened. Yes, and we are going to be busy closing out 2019.

Thank you to our donors & members who faithfully support us with donations, memberships, gifts & memorials. This helps us send a powerful message to the kids in the region that you can apply yourself and be successful as seen in our Halls of Fame. We display over 200 plus testimonies to hard work, and talent.

Thank you, volunteers & staff, Port Arthur Historical Society and the City of Port Arthur for your backing.

A special thank you to our own Port Arthur Convention and Visitor Bureau, led by Tammy Kotzur, for their tireless promotion of the Museum and our City & region.

We hope that you will join our efforts at the Museum with your support as we end 2019 and begin 2020

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From the Vaults

The Museum of the Gulf Coast presents a selection
from our collection not currently on display:

Being one of the oldest and most successful jukebox companies, Rock-Ola was also the manufacturer of several musical accessories like this jukebox speaker. Decorated in the bright colors that matched many of the Rock-Ola jukebox models, this speaker also has a glowing bubble line that circles the rim just like a jukebox. The multicolored lights in the center are surrounded by several reflective plates, and the centerpiece still spins.

With the upcoming expansion of the Music Hall of fame we will be adding this fine product to the decorum. We would like to thank Capt. Brent and Judy Landry for generously donating this to the Museum.

Rock-Ola Jukebox Speaker



Family Fun Day, October 2019

The Museum of the Gulf Coast had its Family Fun Day on October 5, 2019. It was the place to be in Port Arthur on Saturday, as over 350 people came to see all of the exciting activities we had planned for the day. Kevin and Loree Williams from the Snake Education Experience were there to show off their colorful variety of friendly snakes, and the Italian Heritage Society oversaw all manner of crafts and games and even oversaw the screening of the classic Italian Disney story, Pinocchio. It was an all around success and the Museum would like to thank again all of the volunteers who made it possible, especially the organization of the Italian Heritage Society. Orianna Reynolds, President of the Italian Heritage Society, had this to say following the event: "Being of Italian descent is truly something to be proud of. Italians have been a big part of the success in our area and in America. Our local Lodge is a proud part of the nation's largest and oldest organization for men and women of Italian heritage."



The Museum of the Gulf Coast is always happy to host such organizations and we are always grateful for the assistance of local volunteers who make experiences like this possible. Continue reading for upcoming events and activities like this one!



HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR 2019

This year the Museum hosted it's first ever Halloween Spooktacular Night! The whole museum was dressed in festive and spooky décor, and families from all around were invited to share and partake of games, candy, and hot chocolate.

The theater was also opened to all for a special screening of the Halloween Disney classic, *Hocus Pocus*. Fun was had by many, with all manner of families making the Museum a stop on their evening of Halloween festivities.

The event was spearheaded by the Museum's new Education Coordinator, Brittany Delagarza. Ms. Delagarza is a veteran of the Museum having worked with staff members previously for over a year.

It was her idea for the Museum to host a Halloween celebration. This idea proved more than successful, with almost 350 visitors that evening and visitors from all over Southeast Texas. It is safe to say that there will be more Spooktacular Nights for Halloweens to come, and Ms. Delagarza may have kicked off a new Museum tradition.



Brittany Delagarza, directing a number of visitors through the crafts and games.



LIMITED TIME - Don't Miss IT!
November 2 - January 4, 2020

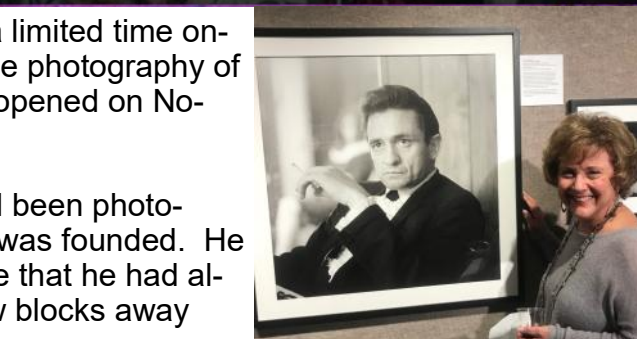
Backstage Pass: Baron Wolman



The Museum of the Gulf Coast is proud to present, for a limited time only, "Backstage Pass!" This traveling exhibit, featuring the photography of Rolling Stone's first staff photographer, Baron Wolman opened on November 2nd in our Dunn Gallery on the 1st floor.

Showing off his connections from the 1960's, Baron had been photographing live bands for years by the time Rolling Stone was founded. He was so well known by some of the major acts of the time that he had almost unlimited access to them. He even lived just a few blocks away from Janis Joplin, and in her Haight-Asbury flat, he took many famous publicity shots of her.

From Johnny Cash, John Fogerty, Bob Dylan, to Janis Joplin and Jimi Hendrix, come and see the backstage scene that made Rolling Stone the publication it is today!



Aha Dziedzic and Maciej Dziedzic are big fans of Janis Joplin, and happened to visit us on the day of the opening. Though they came from McKinney, the two are originally from Poland

RECENT MUSEUM UPDATES

This October, the Museum Gift Shop began selling Holly George-Warren's new book about "Port Arthur's favorite hippie pinup gal." The title is *"Janis: Her Life and Music."* The book will be the focus of the Museum on January 11th, 2020, when the Museum will host the author for an official book signing. Not only will Holly George-Warren be there, but Janis' brother, Michael Joplin, will also be in attendance to autograph the book. This is a unique chance for any fan of Janis, so be sure to mark your calendars and join us!



The Museum recently added to its exhibit of the Honorable Jack Brooks, noted state representative and congressman. A few items of interest were donated by Congressman Brooks' daughter Kate Brooks-Carroll including this wooden United States seal, is from his Congressional office. The seal is now on display as part of Representative Brooks Exhibit on the 2nd floor in the Notable People's section.

The Korean War Exhibit

An exhibit on the first floor has been updated to highlight the Perricone Quads. Anthony, Bernard, Carl and Donald Perricone, also referred to as the Alphabet Quads, were all born in Beaumont, TX, on October 31st, 1929. The inseparable boys were all drafted in 1950 and all four served in the same army unit of the Korean War, contrary to regulations. A uniform, medals, and letters belonging to the four boys are on display detailing their unique service to our nation's military. There is also a medal and a framed certificate that Carl, the last of the Perricone Quads, received in Korea on the 60th anniversary of the war's end.



NEW HALL OF FAME INDUCTIONS



FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 29TH
2:00 PM

Tim Foust
Bass Singer for
Home Free
Nederland, TX



This Southeast Texas native is known across the states for his country music writing and singing, and his award-winning, five-octave vocal range. Since graduating from Nederland High, Tim has performed in venues, and a cappella groups, and as a solo act. Tim is a singer/songwriter of country music and has solo album. In 2010 he appeared as a guest singer in the a cappella group Home Free, and by 2012 he was their official bass singer. He has been with the group ever since and was with them in the fourth season of NBC's, *The Sing-Off*, where the group won the competition. They were awarded \$100,000 and a record contract with Sony Music. He has performed on six of their ten studio albums and has also collaborated with various country music icons such as Charlie Daniels, The Oak Ridge Boys,

and Kenny Rogers. His official induction to our Hall of Fame will be on Friday, November 29th at 2:00 PM. He will be in attendance, and CDs of his work will be available in the Museum Gift Shop.

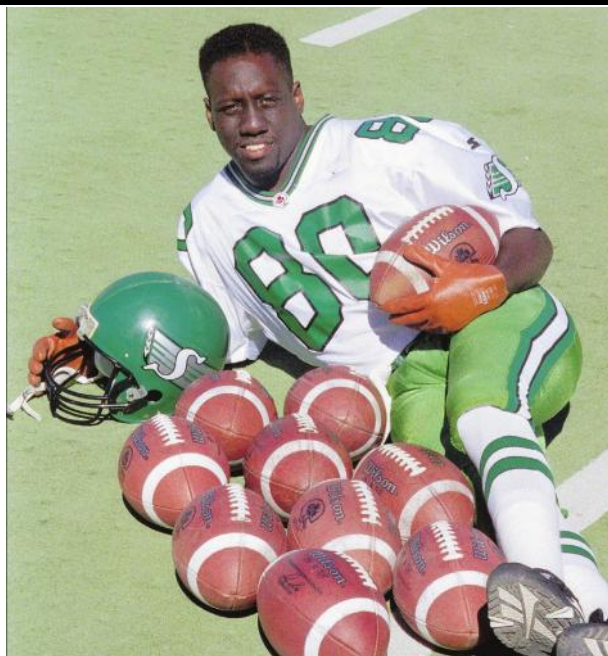
NEW HALL OF FAME INDUCTIONS

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 7TH
2:00 PM**

Don Narcisse

*Canadian Football League
Hall of Fame*
Port Arthur, TX

Don Narcisse graduated from Lincoln High School in 1983 after beginning what would be a long-running career as a wide receiver. A smaller player, at 5 feet 9 inches and 170 pounds, Narcisse was effective at short-yardage plays, often in situations needing a first down.



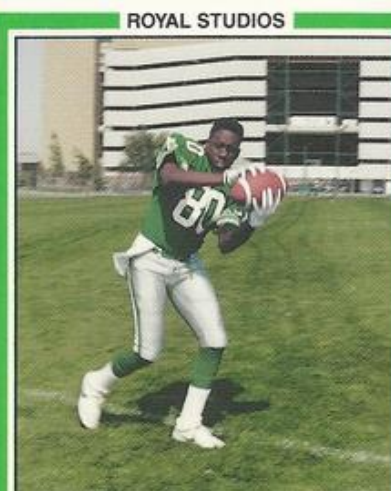
As a result of rarely being injured and giving strong on-field performances, Narcisse shared and held records. He went on to play at Texas Southern University where he was named First-Team NCAA Division I All-American and in his senior season had over 88 receptions and 1,074 yards.

He then signed with the Saskatchewan Roughriders in 1987 and played the next 13 seasons until his retirement in 1999. In that time he made and held several records, having had seven consecutive seasons of over 1,000 receiving yards. He totaled 216 games, 919 receptions, 75 touchdowns, and 12,366 receiving yards. He has since been inducted into the Canadian Football

Hall of Fame, and the Saskatchewan Roughriders Plaza of Honour. Come see his induction to the Museum's Sports Hall of Fame on Saturday, December 7th at 2:00 PM.



DONALD NARCISSE/80
Saskatchewan Roughriders/1989



DONALD NARCISSE/80
Saskatchewan Roughriders/1988

NEW HALL OF FAME INDUCTIONS

SATURDAY
DECEMBER 14TH
3:00 PM

Mark Henry

*Olympic World Record Holder
Weigh Lifting— Strongest Man
Silsbee, TX*

Mark Henry was born and raised in Silsbee, TX. As a child, he enjoyed wrestling. By the time Mark Henry was in the fourth grade, he was 5'5" and weighed 225 lb.

At an early age Mark even met one of his heroes André the Giant. Now Mark himself is filling those shoes, standing 6' 4" and holding records for the heavyweight deadlift, squat, and powerlifting.

Mark is a two time Olympian with an extensive list of awards and accolades including a three-time U.S. National Weightlifting Championship, and an American Open championship.

Since joining the World Wrestling Federation (now WWE) in 1996, he has become a one-time WWF European Champion and a two-time world champion, having held the ECW Championship in 2008, and WWE's World Heavyweight Championship in 2011.

Mark still holds the **World Drug-Free Powerlifting Federation** world records in the squat, deadlift and total. He also has held the USA Powerlifting record in the deadlift since 1995. Between his longstanding records and his various wrestling characters, the Worlds Strongest Man has more than earned his place in the Museum's Sports Hall of Fame. His induction to the Museums Sports Hall of Fame will be Saturday, December 14th at 3:00 PM.



*Guess who is coming to the Museum besides Santa??
Jingle All The Way Family Fun Day Sat. Dec. 14, 2019 10-2 PM*



**1PM until 5PM
Live Reindeer**

**LIVE REINDEER
1PM - 5PM**



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Another momentous Family Fun Day is coming soon! On December 14, 2019 we will be having a Christmas Extravaganza featuring some exciting visitors from the North Pole. Santa Claus is coming to the Museum to bring some Christmas magic, and will be there to take photographs with the girls and boys who visit him. His reindeer will also be there at 1:00 to delight all. There will also be a troupe of Carolers from the Port Arthur Little Theater to ring in the holiday spirit. Holiday storyteller Rickey Pittman will be there, and will be sharing with us a story of Acadian Christmas with proper Cajun style and music. We will even have a few surprises brought in from our friends at MOTIVA! You won't want to miss this!

REINDEER Will ARRIVE at 1:00PM and will be at the Museum until 5:00PM

 **Happy Holidays** 

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