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### **4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SAN LEON OYSTER FEST**

**SAN LEON, TX** – It's oyster season and we're gearing up for the ultimate oyster experience. The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual San Leon Oyster Fest will celebrate the tail end of oyster season, Saturday, April 25, 2020, at Pier 6 Restaurant, 113 6<sup>th</sup> St., San Leon. with an Oyster Cook-Off, Oyster Eating Contest, Oyster Shucking Competition, entertainment, vendors, and lots of activities for kids of all ages. Proceeds from the event benefit oyster reef restoration in Galveston Bay; this is truly an event with a mission.

Come for the food, stay for the fun. Professional and amateur chef teams, under the leadership of Oyster Czar Jack Tyler, professional chef and committee chair, will prepare and present their freshly shucked and grilled oysters for judging and offer platters to the lucky event attendees to devour. In addition to first, second and third place, there is a People's Choice category where you are the judge. All you can eat is included in the event admission ticket – how does it get better than that? The 2019 champs were 1<sup>st</sup> place, Just' Po-Boy; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Galveston Place; 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Trump 2020' and Peoples Choice Award went to Rouxpour. Challenge is on! Teams can register online.

Like 'em raw? Oyster Shuckers will compete for the 'Best Shucker' while onlookers cheer them on, then take them on the half shell. The best shuckers in the area will battle it out to onlookers benefit. Shucks – don't miss this one!

Pair those oysters with the beverage of choice, ice cold beer, and sit back and enjoy the entertainment. Master of Ceremony is none other than Country Western songwriter and singer Kevin Black. Kevin will host the outstanding line up that opens with vocalist Kelly Williams, voted Bay Area Houston's Best of the Bay Award, 'Best Female Vocalist', and who audiences line up for at The Rouxpour. Jessie Mapes, 'break out' artist in the best music movie ever made right in our backyard, Urban Cowboy, perform our favorites and introduce hers at Oyster Fest. Show headliner is none other than the dynamic songwriter and singer, Sailor Jerri, direct from Las Vegas where she performs regularly. A Navy veteran Sailor Jerri worked as an Aviation Mechanic on F/A 18's with the VFA-83 Rampagers while on active duty. She began her career playing guitar and performing for the long term care at the VA and in Veteran Support Groups. A tribute to military veterans is planned at the event.

Vendors will offer merchandise from artwork to commemorative shirts, hats and jewelry, so come prepared to shop. All vendors are vetted for quality and diversity of merchandise. In accordance with our event mission to educate and entertain, there will be loads of opportunities to learn about conservation, water safety, oyster reef restoration, and the importance of the health of Galveston Bay.

San Leon Oyster Fest is a non profit organization dedicated to raising awareness on the importance of the sustainability of oysters and the oyster industry in our community. Proceeds from San Leon Oyster Fest are dedicated to the restoration of oyster reefs.

San Leon Oyster Fest admission is \$40 per person and includes all you can eat oysters. Beverages and other food choices are available ala carte. Prices vary. Advance sale tickets – \$35 per person – until January 1, 2020. Buy now and save. Great stocking stuffers!

For additional information on the event, become a sponsor, register a cooking team, or to be considered for a vendor, go to [www.sanleonoysterfest.com](http://www.sanleonoysterfest.com).



*The San Leon Oyster Fest is a non profit 501©3 educational and environmental restoration organization whose mission is to protect, restore and sustain oyster reefs in Galveston Bay, educate the general public on the importance of the ecosystem, protect the oyster industry, and to collaborate with other agencies to achieve our goal.*

## Calendar Listing

What: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual San Leon Oyster Fest

When: Saturday, April 25, 2020  
2 pm – 9 pm

Where: Pier 6 Restaurant  
113 6<sup>th</sup> St.  
San Leon, TX 77539

Why: Benefitting Oyster Reef Restoration in Galveston Bay, the event includes Oyster Cooking Contest, Oyster Shucking Contest, Exhibits and educational information, kids activities, vendors and Country Western entertainment.

Who: San Leon Oyster Fest is a non profit organization that raises awareness on the importance of sustainability of oysters, sustaining the oyster industry, and building strong oyster reefs for the health of Galveston Bay.

Highlights: MC is singer, songwriter Kevin Black; headliner is Sailor Jerri, Country Western singer and U.S. Navy veteran; star of Urban Cowboy, singer Jessie Mapes; and local vocalist Kelly Williams. Oyster Czar, Jack Tyler, professional chef, will direct the oyster cooking contest and professional oyster shuckers will compete for the title of Fastest Shucker.

Admission: \$40 per person includes all the oysters you can eat. Beverages and alternative food available ala carte.  
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