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GULFARIUM CARE CENTER

5 rehabilitated turtles released at Inlet Beach



The Gulfarium CARE Center return at loggerhead turtle to the Gulf on Aug. 27 in Inlet Beach.
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After weeks of treatment at the Gulfarium CARE Center, five rehabilitated sea turtles were released back into the Gulf on Aug. 27 at Inlet Beach in Walton County. Locals, visitors and sea turtle conservation supporters came out to witness as the turtles made their way into the surf.

What kind of turtles were released?

Four loggerhead turtles and one green sea turtle were returned to the Gulf.

Here is what we know about the turtles:

- Zelda, a 132-pound loggerhead, was rescued from Navarre Beach Fishing Pier with a J-hook lodged in her

esophagus.

- Ditto, a 132-pound loggerhead, was foul-hooked at the Okaloosa Island Fishing Pier.
- Ginger, a 112-pound loggerhead, whose esophageal hook was removed non-surgically with the aid of a medical endoscope machine.
- Saffron, a 68-pound loggerhead, naturally passed a small hook discovered in her stomach only three days

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Epstein accusers call for files’ release

Women speak out as
House works on petition

Bart Jansen and Josh Meyer
USA TODAY

WASHINGTON – At an emotional rally and press conference Sept. 3, woman after woman spoke out, saying they were abused by Jeffrey Epstein and leaning on House members and President Donald Trump to release all the criminal investigative files in his case.

Epstein, a financier, died in jail in August 2019 while awaiting trial on sex trafficking charges. His associate, Ghislaine Maxwell, is serving a 20-year prison sentence.

The House petition from Reps. Thomas Massie, R-Kentucky, and Ro Khanna, D-California, aims to force the Justice Department to release all the confidential documents from the federal criminal investigation, including papers from the CIA, FBI and financial records that detail who supported Epstein and his sex trafficking conspiracy.

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Marina Lacerda, an accuser of late financier Jeffrey Epstein, speaks during the Sept. 3 news conference on Capitol Hill.
EVELYN HOCKSTEIN/REUTERS

Eight insurers fined more than \$2M for ‘misconduct’

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Eight Florida property insurers are going to have to cough up more than \$2 million in fines for misconduct because they didn’t follow required procedures

for paying storm victims for damages after hurricanes Ian and Idalia took their tolls.

And there may be more fines coming, according to a Sept. 2 news release from state regulators charged with overseeing insurers’ conduct.

The companies and their fines are:

- American Coastal Insurance Co. and American Mobile Insurance Exchange and Clear Blue Insurance Co., \$400,000 each.
- The state’s 16th largest insurer, Monarch National Insurance Co., \$325,000.
- Tower Hill Prime Insurance Co., \$250,000.
- TypTap Insurance Co., \$150,000.
- Centauri Specialty Insurance Co., \$100,000.
- Sutton National Insurance Co., \$50,000.

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