



Newsletter

October 2014

VIRTUAL VILLAGE

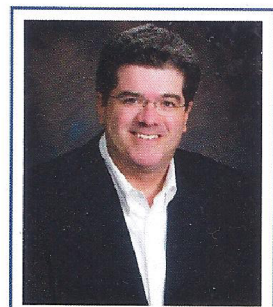
The Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Association is looking into the establishment of a "virtual village;" a separate organization created by and run by residents for the benefit of residents. The purpose, broadly stated, of the village would be to allow residents to remain in their homes while being able to access services to address changing lifestyles as they age or experience adverse events.

A village operates under the principle of "neighbors helping neighbors." It is not a social service agency; it is secular; and it is not government sponsored. A village is a grassroots project, that is the creation of the residents, formed to meet the unique needs of the local community and to draw upon the resources of that community, financial and volunteer, to meet those needs.

The first village was established in the Beacon Hill section of Boston in 2001. The impetus there was the desire of aging residents to remain in their homes and their neighborhood for as long as possible. This experiment was an absolute success. There are now about 125 villages in operation in the United States and hundreds on the drawing board worldwide.

There is no set pattern for a village. The residents are free to create a village to function in whatever manner they deem appropriate. Our neighborhood has features similar to those of Beacon Hill: a neighborhood of long standing duration, long term residents, a mix of age groups, enthusiastic volunteers, and residents who want to take care of themselves. A grassroots organization like the Beacon Hill model should work well here.

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Sunday, November 9, 2014
2:00-5:00pm

Caples Campus on the Bay
5313 Bay Shore Road

Look for the balloons!



Mark your calendar for another fabulous IBSSA Annual Picnic on Sunday, November 9th, at the Caples Campus from 2:00pm-5:00pm.

A Taste of the North Trail will excite your palate. Enjoy **Barnacle Bill's** mini crab cakes; **Jessica Masterson's** homemade pasta salad; **Carr's Corner's** savory salad; **Primo's** ziti; **Rico's** pizza; **La Pollera Colorada's** chicken and rice & empanadas; **Coffee Loft's** mini cupcakes; and food from **Captain Brian's**, **Painters Palate**, **Queen of Sheba**, and **Treviso**.

NIC & ARI ENCORE! Nicolaas Kraster and Arielleh McManus return to us with their Nuevo Flamenco and Gypsy swing. It is a journey through time and space; one moment Brazil, the next France, and then bringing it all home.

RAFFLES and SILENT AUCTION

50-50 RAFFLE: Buy as many tickets as you wish for \$1.00 each and place them in the raffle jar. The winner will receive half of the money collected, and the other half will benefit IBSSA as a whole. Cash is required to purchase these tickets. The drawing will be held at 4:15pm. **You must to be present to win.**

CHINESE RAFFLE:
Tickets are \$1.00 each. Place one or more of your tickets in the jar for the raffle item you wish to win.

Cash and credit cards may be used to purchase Chinese Raffle tickets. (**Hint: bring your address labels to use on tickets.**) Drawings will be held at 4:30pm. You **do not** need to be present. Winners will be notified.

SILENT AUCTION: There will be a silent auction table with bid sheets. **The silent auction will close at 4:30pm, with the highest bidder winning.** You **do not** need to be present to win. Winners will be notified.

****NEW THIS YEAR: "Buy It Now" offered on several items.** If you would like to donate an item for the raffle or auction, please contact Maryann Armour, Committee Chair, at merseasakes@hotmail.com or 941/ 780-3233.



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What does a village do? The short answer from the previous description is whatever you want it to do and can afford. However, there are essentially three areas of focus:

1. access to services,
2. opportunities to socialize, and
3. promotion of wellness.

The areas do necessarily blend into each other.

First, a village can be set up to provide for “one call does all”—a kind of circumscribed concierge or referral service that is a boon to those who do not know where to start at times. Villages typically vet and line up discounted providers for services such as housekeeping, yard maintenance, pet sitting, house sitting, handyman repairs, electricians, and plumbers. However, the most requested service in existing villages is for transportation, provided at a discount or through volunteers at a nominal cost, to grocery stores, medical appointments, and even entertainment venues. Through this service, a village can promote “inter-generational contact.” For example, our neighborhood can draw upon the local high school and college community for help with computer tasks and literacy, bill paying, checkbook balancing, insurance claim filing, and reading to those who are visually impaired. Both sides would benefit from such an arrangement.

Second, but most important, members of existing villages state that they derive their greatest satisfaction from the social nature of the village. Simply stated, they make friends. Services are often provided by a neighborhood volunteer. That contact is immeasurably better than an impersonal contact that would otherwise occur. A village also promotes social events such as breakfast clubs, wine and cheese parties, trips to a museum or show, book clubs, or other get-togethers. A village works to combat the isolation of aging and disability.

Finally, a village works to promote healthy life styles through exercise classes, walking clubs, tai chi, yoga, nutritional lunch meetings, as well as seminars on health issues. A village can also provide wellness checks for peace of mind of those living alone and for relatives who may live outside of the area.

All of this has a cost, of course. The typical annual cost is \$500 for an individual and \$750 for a couple. Although a village cannot be expected to and will not eliminate the need residents may have for intensive care such as a home health aid, nursing home care or hospice care, at a couple of dollars per day or less to make it more likely and comfortable to remain in one’s home and neighborhood as one ages or experiences adverse events, this cost seems to be reasonable. Membership is usually limited by age to those over say 55, although any neighbor is free and welcome to volunteer.

The Association expects to make a presentation at the December annual meeting. If you have any comments or questions that you would like addressed at the presentation, please email Patrick McTernan at patrickdmcternan@me.com.

The next step following that for the Association is to engage in the “exploratory stage.” This involves setting up a steering committee and mailing a questionnaire to each resident of the neighborhood so that an assessment of the needs and of the resources available, both financial and volunteer, can be made. While the questionnaire is being processed, we intend to hold a series of special meetings for information and discussion of issues raised in the questionnaire.

References: vtvnetwork.org; beaconhillvillage.org

Patrick D. McTernan ♦



The Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Newsletter is produced and disseminated four times a year: **mid-February, mid-June, last week in October, and mid-December** to all 1,140 residences in the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighborhood.

All neighbors are encouraged to submit articles, pictures, or neighborhood news to be considered for inclusion in the newsletter. To submit items, place an advertisement, or for more information, please contact **Lisa Lee-High, Editor at 775/287-3794 or lisaeehigh@gmail.com**.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING:

Type/Size of Ad	Front Cover		Back Cover		Inside Pages	
	Color	B & W	Color	B & W	Color	B & W
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Advertisements need to be camera ready (preferably a jpg file).

Submission deadline for the December issue is November 14, 2014

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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Local artist and IBSS resident Bon Fehling, known for her school and summertime art camps, will entertain children.



2013 Picnic

SCHEDULE

- ◆ **Arrive at 2:00pm.**
Bring a dish to share with your neighbors and let the festivities begin.
- ◆ **Raffles, auctions, and entertainment will fill the afternoon.**
- ◆ **Food will be served at 3:00pm.**
- ◆ **The picnic is free for all IBSSA members.**
IBSSA Membership is just \$20.00 per residence (homeowners or renters). Join at the picnic with cash, check, or credit card.

Your picnic elves have been working very hard to make this year's picnic special. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please call Joanne Gonet, Picnic Chair, at 508/ 264-6333 (cell) or 941/ 358-8529 (home).

MEET YOUR NEW NEIGHBORHOOD RESTAURANTS:

PAINTERS PALATE : Asian Fusion Restaurant

Marc Brediger, General Manager – Contact: 941/ 355-4620
Where are you located? 2801 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34234 (On the West side of the Trail, at Virginia Drive; across from Ringling College)
When did your restaurant open? July 14th, 2014. Bastille Day!
What are your hours of service? 11am – 10pm, Closed Sunday. HAPPY HOURS 4pm-6.30pm. Reservations recommended, as we are not a big restaurant.

What type of items are on your food/drink menu?

- Thai – French Dishes
- Open-Face Sandwiches with Thai Marinade Meat
- Pizza with Thai Toppings

We use a lot of Thai herbs in most of our dishes.

Sushi on Friday night, with vegetarian sushi

Thai Street Food Night, with outdoor BBQ

VEGETARIAN, VEGAN, GLUTEN-FREE are welcome.

Do you source local products for your menu? Yes, vegetables from the Farmer's Market and Thai Herbs from my garden! We also serve locally-brewed beer: DARWIN'S.

What is the price range on your menu? Prices range from \$5.00-\$24.00.

Is your menu available online? Not yet.

Do you cater? Yes, we do. Advance notice is appreciated!

You have another restaurant in the area, why did you decide to open another restaurant at this location? My idea is to have a small restaurant, serving good, homemade food like we have in France; a good neighborhood restaurant where people can come and hang around even for a glass of beer. The location is perfect with Ringling College across the street and a very nice neighborhood behind!

How did you come up with the name of this restaurant?

Being across the street from a famous school of arts, I had to find a name that goes with it. I would like to think that my fusion dishes can be compared to a painter's palette: full of beautiful colors and explosion of fantastic tastes.

What challenges are involved in starting and running a restaurant? Not having enough customers at the beginning and long hours. You have to stick to it, love what you do, put your heart into it, and it will show in your food. I hope everyone appreciates the outcome.

Can you accommodate large parties or groups? We have around 22 seats inside but we have a beautiful, big patio.

What additional information would you like the IBSS neighbors to know about Painters Palate? We would like the neighborhood to know that we are here to serve excellent food at a reasonable price, especially for students to whom we offer 10% off! Everything is homemade. Our french fries are the BEST. I would like to see my restaurant as a hang-out for everyone. GIVE US A TRY!!!

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QUEEN OF SHEBA FUSION

Ethiopian Restaurant

Owner: Seble Gizaw - Contact: 941/ 359-8000

Where are you located? 4195 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34234 (On the West side of the Trail, between 41st and 42nd Streets)

When did your restaurant open? On July 11, 2014

What are your hours of service? Closed Monday; Tuesday – Thursday, 11:00am – 9:00pm; Friday – Saturday, 11:00am – 10:00pm, Sun. 12noon – 9:00pm. Reservations accepted.

How is Ethiopian food prepared and served? Basically, our cuisine starts with Wot, which is meat or vegetables that are stewed in our special Ethiopian herbs and spices. Doro Wot is a stew of chicken (free range), hard boiled eggs (also free range) and combined spices and seasonings. It is a spicy dish. If spicy is not your thing, try Dora Alecha Wot, which is still stewed and flavorful, but much more mild. You will also see the expression Tibs on our menu, which is simply sautéed instead of stewed. It has its own unique seasoning, and is usually milder in the spice rating than Wot. All our meat dishes are beef, chicken or lamb.

Our vegetarian/vegan offerings will probably look familiar, since most Ethiopian vegetables have made their way into American cuisine. Lentils, yellow split peas, potatoes, carrots, cabbage, and collard greens are our specialties.

We do serve wine/beer from Ethiopia and South Africa. Refer to our online menu at ethiopianrestauranttampa.com.

What is the price range on your menu? Appetizers from \$4.00 to \$10.00 and entrees from \$10.00 to \$18.00.

Do you source local products for your recipes? Yes. We get our vegetables from a local farmer.

Is your menu available online? Our website is under construction, but we do have one for our Tampa location which is similar to what we will be serving in Sarasota (www.ethiopianrestauranttampa.com).

You have another restaurant in the area. Why did you decide to open another at this location? My restaurant in Tampa is called Queen of Sheba Ethiopian Restaurant. I have many customers that drive from Sarasota just to eat at my Tampa location, so I decided to open one here so I can be close to them.

How did you come up with the name of this restaurant? I love Queen of Sheba, who represents the land of Habesha, and I wanted to add more dishes to my menu so I included fusion.

What challenges are involved in starting and running a restaurant? The main challenge I face is finding loyal employees and getting used to the community would be my next challenge.

Do you cater? We would love to cater for birthdays, weddings, city events, and small gatherings.

Can you accommodate large parties or groups? Yes.

What additional information would you like the IBSS neighbors to know? I would like to thank the neighbors for welcoming me and my family. Even though I still commute from Tampa, I have future plans to move here. I love how the community is treating me so far.

Interviews by Lisa Lee-High ♦

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE NEWS

Bay Haven Plans Permaculture Food Forest

There has been a lot of change at Bay Haven School of Basics Plus this past summer with the onset of a two-year phased construction project of a new two-story building. The new building will house a cafeteria/auditorium, music room, media center, computer lab, and four new classrooms. To make room for the new construction, the staff parking lot was relocated from the southwest corner of the property to the northwest corner. The playground will eventually end up at the north east end of the property once the six portable structures are removed. When the new building is completed and other buildings are demolished, there will be half an acre of open space. Staff, parents, and community members are designing an innovative use for this courtyard.

The committee's mission statement reads: *Create a school garden based on Permaculture principles to educate students, teachers, and after school participants and attract them to the garden. Volunteers will maintain the space, allowing teachers to focus on lessons and garden experiences rather than maintenance. The food forest will produce fresh seasonal produce to supply the school meals.*

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MLS # A4105975 - List Price: \$419,900

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at: 5246 Bay Shore Rd., Sarasota

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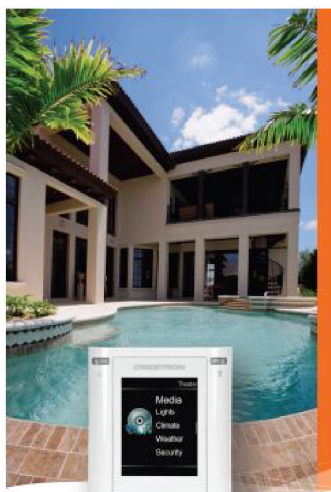
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Our vision is to transform the campus into a lush, beautiful, and abundant landscape that will serve as a source of nutrition, education, and recreation for Bay Haven and the surrounding community. We are currently working on the first phase of this transformation: installing a food forest in the strip of land next to the "historic" building. Beginning last spring we rototilled the existing grass and planted a cover crop to help build and prepare the soil for the next phase.

On September 27, 2014, staff, students, parents, and community members along with IBSSA neighbors worked together to sheet mulch, plant fruit trees and beneficial supporting plants, and install a gravel walkway. This fall the committee will work on a design for the larger courtyard. We are excited about this sustainable transformation of Bay Haven's campus.

For more information about [Bay Haven's Food Forest](#), contact Rolf Hanson, Bay Haven Science Lab Teacher; rolf.hanson@sarasotacountyschools.net or 941/ 359-5800.

To learn more about the [IBSSA Beautification Committee](#), contact Jessica Masterson at 208/ 661-2709 or sweetiemast@gmail.com.



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ANNUAL SUN CIRCLE ART FESTIVAL

SAVE THE DATE:
March 14, 2015
11am-5pm

This is a great event that fills Sapphire Shores Park with juried artists and fine crafts people; entertainers; food vendors; and neighbors, both near and far.

The event supports and promotes the visual and performing artists of our neighborhood and is underwritten by the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Association.

There is still time to secure a space for your art. Do you know a visual or performing artist who might be interested? Are you a performing artist? If you have previously participated in this festival, the deadline is December 15th. If you have not participated before, the jury deadline is November 15th.

Volunteers are needed now as well as the day of the event. It takes a Village to make this a FUN happening event. This is a great opportunity for you to invite guests. Built in entertainment makes it a great day in the neighborhood!

More details will be in the December IBSSA Newsletter.

Sign up connections:

Artist Booth Space: janenutter@aol.com 941/ 351-1920

Volunteers: svlivinggrace@hotmail.com

Performing Artists: jrmillikan@icloud.com

Jane Nutter Johnson ♦



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HOURS

Closed Monday

Tues.-Thurs.: 11am to 9pm

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Sun.: 12noon-9pm



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REAL ESTATE NEWS:

There are 28 properties for sale as of this writing. This continues to be low compared to the last decade, but it's not out of line when compared to 15 years ago when inventory was even less.

These available properties continue to occupy a wide price spectrum between \$189,000 and \$13,800,000. As I've said before, this is a challenging aspect of our market for newcomers to understand. Older neighborhoods have more diversity than newer neighborhoods, many of which are planned developments with very similar houses.

Only two of these houses for sale are Bank Owned and none are listed as a Short Sale. There are eight properties "under contract"; two of which are Bank Owned, and of the 19 properties sold since May 26th, three were Bank Owned and one was a Short Sale.

This puts our total "distressed" market at about 15%. The number continues to decline as values rise and fewer homeowners are underwater on their mortgages.

Sarasota "at large" is slightly ahead of last year in total number of sales and the median sales price climbed 10% since fall of 2013. Inventory has stayed relatively stable and increases in value have slowed a bit since earlier in the year, some of which is probably due to seasonal activity.

Personally, I have found great demand for properties in IBSS, but an increase in buyer expectations. While buyers may be willing to spend the money, they seem to be less forgiving when it comes to deferred maintenance and unpermitted improvements.

Take care of your homes, especially if you are in the V or A flood zone where future owners could be hampered by FEMA restrictions on spending. They simply may not be able to save your house unless you start now.

David Jennings ♦

REAL ESTATE REPORT:

This MLS report shows all Active, Pending, & Sold properties in the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighborhood from May 26, 2014 through September 19, 2014. (ACT=Active and Available; AWC=Active with Contract; PNC=Pending Contract; SLD=Sold)

STATUS	ADDRESS	BED	BATH	PRICE
ACT	3525 IROQUOIS AVENUE	3	2	\$189,900
ACT	659 45TH STREET	2	2	\$234,900
ACT	4941 REMINGTON DRIVE	3	1	\$239,900
ACT	965 CALOOSA DRIVE	3	3	\$325,000
ACT	4520 45TH COURT	3	3	\$369,900
ACT	5020 BRYWILL CIRCLE	3	2	\$415,000
ACT	915 INDIAN BEACH DRIVE	3	3	\$445,000
ACT	346 N SHORE DRIVE	3	3	\$470,000
ACT	4810 BAY SHORE ROAD	3	2	\$548,000
ACT	3224 BAY SHORE ROAD	3	2	\$559,000

STATUS	ADDRESS	BED	BATH	PRICE
ACT	575 N SHORE DRIVE	2	2	\$635,000
ACT	546 47TH STREET	3	3	\$675,000
ACT	5125 STEVENS DRIVE	4	4	\$795,000
ACT	472 N SHORE DRIVE	4	5	\$829,000
ACT	820 INDIAN BEACH DRIVE	3	3	\$995,000
ACT	1124C SYLVAN DRIVE	4	3	\$1,150,000
ACT	325 S SHORE DRIVE	3	2	\$1,249,000
ACT	2024 ALAMEDA AVENUE	4	5	\$1,599,000
ACT	3825 INDIAN BEACH PLACE	4	2	\$1,699,000
ACT	2925 BAY SHORE ROAD	6	6	\$1,850,000
ACT	749 INDIAN BEACH CIRCLE	6	8	\$2,200,000
ACT	916 INDIAN BEACH DRIVE	3	2	\$2,895,000
ACT	309 RINGLING POINT DRIVE	5	3	\$3,740,000
ACT	916 INDIAN BEACH DRIVE	6	5	\$9,975,000
ACT	3315 BAY SHORE ROAD	6	7	\$9,990,000
ACT	374 S SHORE DRIVE	5	4	\$13,800,000
AWC	4804 STEVENS DRIVE	3	1	\$140,000
AWC	4920 EASTCHESTER DRIVE	2	2	\$232,500
AWC	1016 CALOOSA DRIVE	2	2	\$449,000
PNC	805 32ND STREET	2	2	\$113,420
PNC	3724 NORWOOD COURT	2	2	\$135,000
PNC	925 32ND STREET	3	2	\$214,900
PNC	2324 HICKORY AVENUE	3	2	\$419,000
PNC	470 ACACIA DRIVE	3	3	\$659,000
PNC	2028 ALAMEDA AVENUE	3	2	\$799,000
PNC	350 S SHORE DRIVE	5	3	\$2,390,000
SLD	1112 23RD STREET	3	2	\$88,000
SLD	1115 23RD STREET	3	2	\$128,000
SLD	4617 LEETA LANE	3	2	\$132,000
SLD	672 41ST STREET	2	1	\$160,000
SLD	913 TENNESSEE LANE	2	1	\$188,100
SLD	4854 STEVENS DRIVE	2	2	\$225,000
SLD	1051 INDIAN BEACH DRIVE	3	2	\$188,000
SLD	3420 IROQUOIS DRIVE	3	2	\$220,000
SLD	876 32ND STREET	2	2	\$198,500
SLD	1010 VIRGINIA DRIVE	2	1	\$190,000
SLD	4598 GUAVA COURT	2	2	\$259,000
SLD	941 VIRGINIA DRIVE	3	3	\$282,500
SLD	439 ACACIA DRIVE	3	2	\$310,000
SLD	452 N SHORE DRIVE	2	2	\$405,000
SLD	445 S SHORE DRIVE	4	2	\$475,000
SLD	4600 BAY SHORE ROAD	3	4	\$400,000
SLD	415 S SHORE DRIVE	3	3	\$530,000
SLD	2704 BAY SHORE ROAD	3	2	\$1,510,000

The Real Estate Report above was generated and submitted by David Jennings, Broker-Associate with Coldwell Banker.

IBSS PROPERTY FOR SALE BY OWNER:

If you would like to have your home included in this section in future IBSSA Newsletters, please send the List Price, Address, and SqFt. information to lisaleehigh@gmail.com.

ADDRESS	SQ FT	BED	BATH	PRICE
415 SAPPHIRE DR.	2,200	3	2	\$585,000

NEIGHBORHOOD INFORMATION

BAY HAVEN SCHOOL OF BASICS PLUS:

READERS WANTED: Share the joy of reading with a student from Bay Haven. Become a Reading PAL! It requires only 30 minutes a week, after a one-hour training session.

There will be a training session on Friday, November 7, 2014 on the Bay Haven campus in the Media Center from 11:00am to 11:55am. This wave of readers will work with 3rd and 4th grade students. Another training session will be held in January.

Contact Kimberly Long, Reading PALS Coordinator, at kst82276@hotmail.com.

LUNCH GROUP:

All neighbors are invited to join the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Lunch Group at Carr's Corner Cafe located at 3025 N. Tamiami Trail in Sarasota.

The next lunch is scheduled Thursday, November 20, 2014 at 11:30am. For future dates or more information, email Paul Verizzo at Paulv@paulv.net.

IBSSA ONLINE OPTIONS:

NEWSGROUP

IBSSA-NEWS is an online site where neighbors can submit and receive neighborhood-related postings. The postings include information such as upcoming event details, missing/found pets, crime alerts, North Trail notices, new businesses, etc.

For access to IBSSA-NEWS, send an email to theserries@yahoo.com requesting membership in the newsgroup. The moderator will have Yahoo send you an email inviting you to join the newsgroup.

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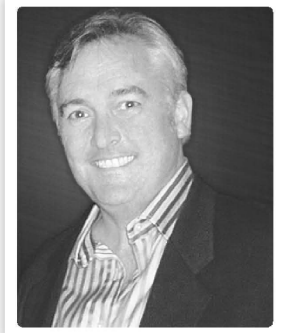
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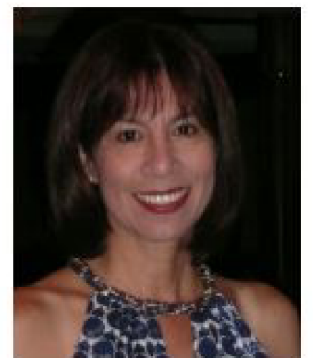
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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

Today, perhaps more than ever before, the importance of applying the principles of Neighborhood Watch (concern, awareness, and communication) to our daily lives, wherever we are, has become increasingly apparent. Watching out for one another, being aware of what's going on around us, calling the police to report criminal, suspicious, or dangerous activity in the area and then alerting our neighbors has become second nature to most of us. The significance of these actions and the urgency in which we do them has been proven to better ensure the safety of our families, neighborhoods, and nation.

Methods of communicating have advanced greatly over the years. Email alerts are now available to all residents of Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores with information regarding incidents of crime, suspicious activity, and other Neighborhood Watch updates. However, three decades ago and long before the days of personal computers, (blackberries, apples, tablets, pads, pods, and smart phones) residents would receive a telephone call or a knock on the door from their block captain, neighbor, or coordinator alerting them of a crime or other Neighborhood Watch information.

A contact person (block captain) for each street would still be very beneficial today and would allow for a bit more familiarity among residents. Ideally, the block captains introduce themselves to their neighbors, provide them with contact information, and keep an updated list of names, addresses, and telephone numbers of each resident on their street. *(WATCH Continued on page 9)*

HELPFUL NUMBERS:

Sarasota Police Department:

Non-emergency..... 941/ 316-1199 or 316-1201
 SPD Front Desk 941/ 954-7025
 Chief Bernadette DiPino 941/ 954-7002
 Deputy Chief Stephen Moyer..... 941/ 954-7006
 Officer Danny Robbins (Crime Prevention/Citizens' Police Academy)
 941/ 954-7056
 Michelle Rinaca (Civilian Volunteer Coord.) 941/ 366-2845
 SPD Website www.sarasotapd.org
Animal Services..... 941/ 861-9500
Code Compliance 941/ 954-4125
Narcotics Hotline 941/ 954-7050



CRIME REPORT: JANUARY 1 - SEPTEMBER 30

(Approximate totals)	2014	2013
Burglary / Structure	09	27
Burglary / Vehicle	17	25
Motor Vehicle Theft.....	02	04
Robbery	01	02

Please don't speed! Violators will be ticketed!
 25mph throughout our neighborhood
 15mph in all school zones.
 (Unfortunately, many offenders are area residents.)

See It! Hear It! Report It!

Report all crime and suspicious activity ... IMMEDIATELY!

- Call the Police 316-1199 or 316-1201 or Emergencies 911
- Inform your Neighborhood Watch Coordinators
- Alert your neighbors

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH COORDINATORS:

Sapphire 1: (58th Street - 47th Street)

Debbie Muller----- 941/ 355-5743

Sapphire II (47th Street - Myrtle Street)

Barbara Cherry----- 941/ 355-2898 or
 bcherrysrq@gmail.com

Sapphire III (Myrtle Street - Indian Beach Drive)

Fred & Joanne Gonet-- ----- 941/ 358-8529 or
 frejo3617@yahoo.com

Sapphire IV: (Indian Beach Drive - Whitaker Bayou)

Yvonne Lacey-----941/ 365-7063 or Lacey.Yvonne@yahoo.com

(Note: Block Captains are an important part of our Neighborhood Watch Program. If you are interested in becoming a Block Captain, please contact your coordinator listed above.)

NARCOTICS HOTLINE (anonymous): 941/ 954-7050

Often times illegal drug and prostitution offenders take up residence in neighborhoods just like ours ... if they can! These criminals boldly conduct their illicit business wherever they think people won't notice or don't care. Never ignore your suspicions about these types of crime occurring within our neighborhood.

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If you are not receiving Neighborhood Watch alerts or updates, by either telephone or email, please call Debbie Muller at 941/ 355-5743. Thanks to the various ways residents of IBSSA have chosen to communicate over the years, we have succeeded at maintaining our beautiful and safe neighborhood.

CITIZEN VOLUNTEER PROGRAM:

The Sarasota Police Department has approximately 62 citizen volunteers and is looking to add more. These generous volunteers work in various capacities within the Police Department, as well as on the streets aiding the police at special events, doing foot patrols as Downtown Ambassadors, and conducting vehicle patrols of our city streets.

Additional "Ambassadors" are scheduled to be in St. Armands Circle in November and possibly in Newtown after the first of the year.

Applications must be submitted and 12 hours of training (3 days / 4 hours per day) completed. Evening training sessions will be offered in November. For more information contact Michelle Rinaca, Civilian Volunteer Coordinator at 941/ 366-2845.

If you have any questions or want to learn more about the IBSSA Neighborhood Watch Program, contact [Debbie Muller](mailto:Debbie.Muller@ibssa.ws) at 941/ 355-5743.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

Membership type: New Renewal

I would like to volunteer:

- Beautification Newsletter Membership Website
- Neighborhood Watch Events Other _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

If you have a question about the status of your dues, please contact Kitty Cannon, Treasurer, at 941/355-3301 or rick@cannonrick.com.

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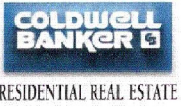
Pat has sold more than 300 homes in our neighborhood.

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Board meetings are open to all Indian Beach-Sapphire Shore Association members. They are held the first Thursday of every month (except July) at 7:00pm at the Bay Shore Mennonite Church.



WHY THE CHARLES HEGENER MEMORIAL NATURE WALK?

Someone recently asked me who Charlie Hegener was and why a Nature Walk was named after him. The Nature Walk in question is the pedestrian bay access in the 4000 block of Bay Shore Road. The neighborhood beautification committee takes care of it and it's an interesting place to view the bay and take in a sunset.

It leads to a major rainwater drainage pipe, which isn't the most attractive thing to look at, but Charlie probably would have been ok with that.

Charlie was a lot of things and I can only speak to a few of them. He grew up in the neighborhood, left for a career and worldly pursuits, but eventually came back and lived out his last years in the same house he spent many of his first years. He had great stories about growing up in Indian Beach and how much wilderness there was before many of the houses were built in the late 1950s and 1960s. He was a bright and ardent environmentalist and very skeptical about any proposed developments in IBSS. I specifically remember one of his later passions was rainwater runoff and how our neighborhood drains directly into Sarasota Bay.

If you have been here any length of time, you may be aware that our neighborhood rises right up out of the bay and reaches a peak at Tamiami Trail. This means any water (or anything!) that hits the ground from Tamiami Trail west runs right into our storm drains and directly into the bay.

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It would take only minutes for a cigarette butt tossed out a car window travelling down the Trail to end up in the Bay ... if it was raining or when it rains again. And even though our neighborhood is bordered by Whitaker Bayou, we are not actually part of the bayou drainage basin. We are independent of the bayou and given how old most of our neighborhood is, rainwater runs directly and quickly into the bay. Most of our houses were built before rainwater retention codes existed or before landscaping swails were created to hold back rain water allowing it to percolate into the soil.

Charlie went along our entire shoreline once and counted every single drain pipe entering the bay. I was astounded by the number of pipes he told me there were but I couldn't



Discharge pipe at Sun Circle Park

remember how many. So, this summer I followed in his footsteps (by kayak) and counted them myself.

There are 13 major discharge

pipes about as large as the one at the end of the Hegener Nature Walk. The easiest ones to see are at Indian Beach and Sun Circle Park. But there are 28 smaller pipes; some of which only drain a few properties.

That's a total of 41 pipes leading back to storm drains between Tamiami Trail and Bay Shore Road. They gather rainwater and all of its contents; fertilizer, litter, pet waste, automotive oil, and the newspaper you did not have time to get because it was raining so hard and it all ends up in the bay quite quickly.

If you want a better idea of what this drainage network looks like, take a look at the County provided signage on the north end of Sun Circle Park. It shows the approximate drainage area of one single discharge pipe. Unfortunately, no extensive mapping of these sewers exists or we could all "adopt" specific multiple block areas in an effort to control



Jennings sisters at the end of the Hegener Nature Walk

what is entering our bay unmitigated by the cleaning effects of vegetation, soil, or other natural filters.

Over time our properties will slowly be redeveloped including some forms of retention that will slow down this discharge. And, some day, the North Trail will be transformed, potentially incorporating newer Southwest Florida Water Management District codes requiring the capture of "runoff". Until then, please be mindful of how you may be able to help protect Sarasota Bay.

The Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Neighborhood Association has much more control over this than any other area in town because of our particular geography and development history.

Charlie would want you all to know this.

David Jennings ♦

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Sun Circle Art Festival: Saturday, March 14, 2015

Submission deadline for December Newsletter: November 14, 2014

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