



# Newsletter

June 2014



## David Morriss IBSSA President

Dear Neighbors,

The IBSSA Board has seen some recent changes in composition. John Hermansen and Amanda Mason will still be active but are no longer part of the Board, as other obligations have called. On behalf of the IBSSA, I thank them for their service and say what a pleasure it was to work with them both.

Replacing them are John Smith and Alan Trench. As an introduction, their bios follow below.

**John Smith:** Born in Indianapolis, Indiana, I spent most of my life (with the exception of college and a business transfer) in the Midwest. After attending both Vanderbilt University and Indiana University, I received my Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration in 1980. Prior to my career in real estate, I held numerous executive-level positions in the relocation industry with Mayflower Transit and Allied Van Lines, respectively. Since moving to Sarasota in January of 2006, I became an active member of the community through organizations such as The Downtown Partnership, Habitat for Humanity, and Sertoma Club of Greater Sarasota. My wife, Abby, and I have four adult children whom we are very proud of and love to visit in their home towns of Boulder, CO and Indianapolis, IN. Abby and I feel very blessed to have discovered the charm, beauty, and liveability of our neighborhood. I look forward to giving back to a neighborhood that has given so much to us over the past eight years. I worked with Jane Johnson on an IBSSA membership drive two years ago, and I was on the neighborhood picnic committee in 2013.

**Alan Trench:** Alan Trench has resided in Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores since 2007. Previously, he lived and worked in NYC. His career has been in Financial Services with a specialty in Wealth Management and Private Banking. Alan and his partner love living in such a wonderfully diverse neighborhood

and being so close to the many cultural activities offered in Sarasota. Our pet-friendly neighborhood is perfect for their two dogs and a cat. Alan enjoys working with several Sarasota volunteer organizations and looks forward to contributing to the IBSSA Board.

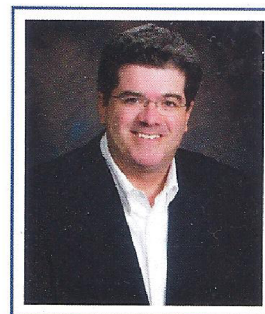
At the May semiannual meeting, a couple of presentations were made by neighbors using a PechaKucha (Google for more information) format (20 slides, no more than 20 seconds on each) highlighting creative work they have done. It's clear that there are a lot of very interesting people in the IBSSA, and we would like to make these short windows into neighborhood talent a regular item on the semiannual meeting agendas. If you are interested, please email me with your ideas at [dmorriss@verizon.net](mailto:dmorriss@verizon.net). We will have time for four or five PechaKuchas for the upcoming meeting in December. I think all will be pleasantly surprised at how interesting our neighbors really are.

The next semiannual meeting is December 9th, 7:00pm at the Bay Shore Mennonite Church on Bay Shore Road (opposite the Jungle Gardens). We hope to see you there.

In the meantime, we look forward to seeing you at the annual picnic on November 9, 2014. Details to follow.

All the Best,

**David Morriss, President** ♦



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## Sarasota Bay Estuary Program (SBEP) to Support Restoration at North Water Tower Park

SBEP and its partners have been approved for an EPA Gulf of Mexico Partnership Grant for restoration at North Water Tower Park. The \$300K grant supports stormwater improvements, removal of invasive vegetation, planting Florida native plants, and education outreach. The 20-acre park was established in 2003.

Partners and supporters for the three-year project include The City of Sarasota and its Urban Design Studio, Sarasota County, The North Trail Redevelopment Partnership, Bayou Oaks Neighborhood Association, Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Neighborhood Association, and Professional Disc Golf Association. The neighborhood associations represent local residents and the PDGA supports the popular disc golf course located in the park.



The SBEP Bay Guardians will donate approximately 1,800 hours of community support during a series of volunteer projects. Their primary focus will be the removal of invasive species including Brazilian Pepper trees and Air Potato vines and seeds. Bay Guardian projects are coordinated by Around the Bend Nature Tours. The award-winning Bay Guardians are the largest and most active volunteer group in the region focused on the welfare of Sarasota Bay.

**Ryan Chapdelain, AICP, City of Sarasota Neighborhood and Development Services** ◆

## Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) Cooperative Funding Applications

The County submitted SWFWMD Cooperative Funding Applications for two projects that are of interest for the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Neighborhood Association. Both applications are ranked HIGH and the County will know by October 1, 2014 if the projects receive funding.

### North Water Tower Park Stormwater Improvements (\$1M)

Improve Whitaker Bayou which drains to Sarasota Bay, a Surface Water Improvement and Management (SWIM) waterbody, by treating stormwater runoff through improvements to the water features in the park. The project would provide stormwater treatment for almost 100 acres of highly urbanized commercial area in downtown Sarasota to reduce nitrogen going into the Bay.

### Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Bioretention (\$160K)

Improve the water quality in Sarasota Bay, a SWIM waterbody, by treating stormwater runoff through LID improvements in the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighborhood through a collaboration with the Sarasota Bay Estuary Program and the Neighborhood Association to create bioswales at select locations in the right-of-way. The project would provide treatment for over three acres of medium density urban area to reduce nitrogen going into the Bay.



For additional information regarding the SWIM Act:

<http://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/projects/swim/index.php>

**Kelly L. Westover, MBA, PMP**  
**Sarasota County Government** ◆

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## MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: Richard Suder (Ingrid), Sapphire Drive



*You mentioned that you have many stories from your life. One of them was about a dangerous sea adventure when you were living in Angola. Can you tell me that story?*

My friend, Claus, and I went to the club early one morning to go

fishing offshore with his 12' boat, and we planned to return by noon. We took a couple bottles of beer, a bottle of water, and a couple of sandwiches. We couldn't get his boat started. At that time, we used regular leaded gasoline because the marine white (non leaded) was hard to get. Unfortunately, regular gasoline would sometimes foul the plugs on a two-stroke engine. We decided to switch to my boat; a little 10' one that I had built for the rivers and not meant to go into the open ocean. Because of the boat switch, I didn't have my tool kit, compass, or extra supplies with me. We caught some flying fish; which are great bait for sailfish and since we were in a very good offshore area for sailfish, we rigged the flying fish (ballyhoo) and decided to troll out 15-20 miles offshore. While we were fishing, the engine fouled. I managed to get the spark plug out of the motor with fishing pliers and cleaned the points off with a bandana. It started up again, but fouled once more. This time I cleaned it with a filet knife, scraping the points. The motor started, but went down again several times, and eventually wouldn't start. It was around 11am and we were about 20 miles offshore. The boat had two rod holders, so we put the rods in the rod holders. I had two oars in the small boat for emergency use, but I didn't have any oar locks. We took off our belts, wrapped the belts around the oars and the fishing rods, and used those as oar locks. I took off my shirt and hung it from one of the fishing rod ends as a flag for a distress signal. We started rowing, Claus on one side and me on the other. After three hours of rowing, the wind picked up and we could see a big, black bank of clouds and a storm approaching from the southwest. The sea waves picked up to 2-3', and we started taking on water. The storm kept approaching, and we kept rowing. We were getting closer to shore, except we were being pushed by the wind and the current to the north of the city, which was terrorist country. After a while, Claus couldn't row anymore, so I handed him a tin cup and asked him to start bailing water. I closed my eyes, got into a zone, and kept rowing. By 4 or 5pm, several boats had passed us, but we were so small that they couldn't see us. The seas picked up to

about 4-5' and it was getting dark. Thunder, lightning, and rain started. I rowed another hour and estimated we were around 10 miles north of the city from where we started. I didn't want to row into the waves because we would take on more water, and we already had about a foot of water in the boat. Claus couldn't bail fast enough. I was about ready to jettison the motor, just to stay afloat. Then, low and behold, over one of the 7' tall waves came a 100' long Portuguese wooden fishing boat. They saw us and realized we were in distress and needed help. They were headed south to go on a fishing trip to the Kwanza River. We boarded their boat and then the fishermen on board reached over the side, picked up our boat and threw it onto the deck of their fishing boat. After rowing all day with only a beer each and a bottle of water, we were extremely thirsty. The water the Captain kept in a large glass jar tasted wonderful. It was a miracle that they found us and took us back to shore. I didn't have any money on me, but I did have a favorite German (Junghans) gold pocket watch that I gave them for saving us.

*Where were you born?*

I was born in the East New York section of Brooklyn to Lithuanian parents. My wife, Ingrid, was born in Gotha, Germany.

*Where have you lived and worked prior to moving to the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighborhood?*

Prior to arriving in Sarasota, we lived in São Brás de Alportel, Portugal (in the Algarve); Connecticut (Fairfield, Westport, and Westin); New York (Bedford Village and Croton); Austria (Aigen-Voglhub between St. Wolfgang and Bad Ischl); Aachen-Germany; and Madrid, Spain. We also lived in the Ivory Coast, Venezuela, Brazil, Cameroon, Angola, and Benin.

In my professional life, I supplied oilfield and gas turbine parts to the Middle East, Africa, Indonesia, Malaysia, and South America. I traded crude oil and refined products including back-office operations, shipping, importation, and exportation. I was the Division General Manager for Texaco for refined product marketing and operations in Equatorial Africa, Venezuela, and Vice President for Operations in Brazil.

I established small business and refugee projects in Africa. I was a Texaco representative on the Board of Directors for local  
*(SUDER continued on page 7)*



## BILLY BOWLEGS AND THE BANANA PATCH

David Jennings

Last year, a friend in Indian Beach pointed to a banana tree in his yard and said it was directly descended from the banana patch of Chief Billy Bowlegs. It was a gift from a friend who has been propagating bananas from a patch she played in as a child. It came from a place she called "the bluff".

Thinking it was somewhere near the old Whitaker Homestead between Whitaker Bayou and Indian Beach Drive, I started to dig a little deeper. I tracked the banana donor down only to find out her "bluff" was closer to another 19<sup>th</sup> century settlement down near Cunliff Drive and Osprey Drive. She recalls exploring a banana patch with her brother 50 years ago that was so expansive it surely took a century or more to grow.

The significance of Billy Bowlegs' banana patch has everything to do with the start of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Seminole War in 1856. That's when some surveyors (or soldiers, depending on your perspective) set out from Ft. Myers to locate what few remaining Indian settlements existed on our coast.

First Lieutenant George L. Harstuff and his band of 12 "surveyors" came across a large banana patch and summarily chopped it up, eating their fill and packing some along for the road. This angered Chief Bowlegs, and on Christmas Eve morning of 1856 he tracked the party down, killing four and wounding four more.

Then in February of 1857, the Chief and a group of warriors set on the Whitaker's place south of present day Indian Beach Drive. Billy Bowlegs was familiar with this home having visited the

Whitakers a number of times and was once nursed back to health by this pioneer family years before. Some would say the Whitakers and the Chief were on friendly terms evidenced by the Chiefs commitment that if he ever had to kill them he would do it quickly.

Maybe that is what he was prepared to do on this provoked and violent visit because he burned down the house and slave cabins. The family had earlier escaped to the Manatee River but one old Irishman known as Owen did not leave and was killed in the fire.

By 1858, Billy was out of steam and accepted relocation from the U.S. Government. He and his daughters moved to Indian Territory in what is now Oklahoma or Arkansas. He died in 1859 at 49 years of age.

It's interesting to ponder where the famed banana patch was and speculators put it in a number of locations up and down the west coast of Florida. Could it have been in Sarasota? Or could this idea have been generated by developers Katherine and Daisietta McClellan? We know they were inspired by an Indian mound on their property when they developed McClellan Park in 1916. They used Seminole words to name the streets and had an Indian theme in the community clubhouse.

Winston Churchill said "History is written by the victors." In Florida this might typically be developers, but I prefer to believe Chief Billy Bowlegs considered Sarasota one of his homes and regularly visited a centuries old banana patch south of Hudson Bayou. If you don't believe me, I can show you the bananas on 41st Street.



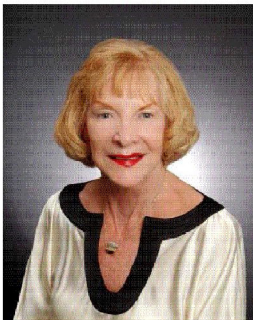
### Pat J. Taylor, GRI,

has been a resident on Bay Shore Road in the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighborhood for 35 years.

Pat has sold more than 300 homes in our neighborhood.

Pat has been trained in the listing and marketing of historic properties.

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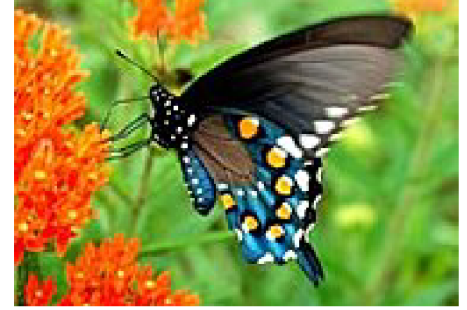
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## BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE NEWS

### Pipevine Swallowtails

The next time you are outside and see one of these, it could very well be one from our Greenway, (Sarasota Ave and 45<sup>th</sup>). It is the Pipevine Swallowtail, and you can see them in South Florida from February through November.

In late spring, the volunteer beautification crew was at the Greenway weeding and trimming. We were fortunate to see the pipevine clambering with activity from caterpillars. Beautiful! Chocolate brown with dark black stripes, tipped with orange spike-like nodules perfectly arranged on them. I snapped some photos and thought a brief synopsis of the butterfly was newsworthy, since something so beautiful to look at was right here in our neighborhood.

During breeding season, the male Swallowtail patrols a territory waiting for a female. Females lay clusters of one to twenty reddish-brown eggs on the host plant leaves. The caterpillars eat the leaves, stems, and seed capsules of the host plant.

Caterpillars are small and stick together when they are first born. They eat the leaves of their host plant and grow quickly. Plants in the Pipevine family have chemicals in them which are poisonous to most animals. Caterpillars eat them without being harmed.

When caterpillars are grown, they look for another place to pupate (resting stage). They never pupate on their host plant. They can also take up to 14 months to eclose (emerge).

The Pipevine Swallowtail is difficult to identify, as several other butterflies have the same size and colors. Pipevine Swallowtails can have wingspans up to three and a half inches. They are black with bluish-green metallic color on the hind wings. Females have a row of yellowish-white dots, males don't. When a Pipevine Swallowtail folds its wings while resting, you will see a curved row of bright orange dots underneath its wings.

As adults, Pipevine Swallowtails' food is flower nectar. Some of the flowers they visit include honeysuckles, milkweeds, and thistles. They also help by pollinating the plants.

Pipevine Swallowtails are helpful to other butterfly species because adult butterflies are poisonous to predators from all

the pipevine they eat. Other butterfly species have developed mimicry. Some species that mimic Pipevine Swallowtails include Eastern Tiger Swallowtail (females), Eastern Black Swallowtail, Spicebush Swallowtail, and Red-Spotted Purple.

If you would like to learn more about the Beautification Committee, contact me at 208/ 661-2709 or [sweetiemast@gmail.com](mailto:sweetiemast@gmail.com). We would love to have you join us.

Reference: [http://www.fcps.edu/islandcreekes/ecology/pipevine\\_swallowtail.htm](http://www.fcps.edu/islandcreekes/ecology/pipevine_swallowtail.htm)

**Jessica Masterson** ♦

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

Membership type:  New  Renewal

I would like to volunteer:

- Beautification  Newsletter  Membership
- Website  Neighborhood Watch
- Picnic/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](mailto:rick@cannonrick.com).

**2014 Dues Payment** **\$20.00**

Voluntary Contribution

Beautification \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Doggie bags \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

## REAL ESTATE NEWS:

As of May 25, 2014 there were 38 homes listed for sale in Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores. True to form, these range from \$119,000 all the way up to \$13,800,000.

Currently, there are nine homes under contract to be sold. Fifteen properties traded hands since January 23rd. These sales ranged in price from \$95,000 to \$2,950,000.

The percentage of Distressed and Bank Owned Properties continues to decline as values increase, relieving homeowners who may have been "underwater" on their mortgages.

Of these 62 properties Listed or Sold below, only three are advertised as Short Sales and four are/were Bank Owned; a result of foreclosure.

Expect to see another demolition or two in the coming months, resulting in new home construction. The big news for IBSS is the pending sale of The Homes of Indian Beach.

Bank of Commerce put the property under contract with an out of state developer who specializes in small subdivisions of this type. The Buyer has completed their investigations and as I write this they are "moving to close" some time in June, 2014. Their intention is to build single family homes on the existing lots. Keep an eye out for signage and promotions. They seem to be realistic how long it might take to sell 23 new homes in IBSS, but they won't want to waste any time fishing for prospects. **David Jennings** ♦

## REAL ESTATE REPORT:

This MLS report shows all Active, Pending, & Sold properties in the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighborhood from January 23, 2014 through May 25, 2014. (ACT=Active and Available; AWC=Active with Contract; PNC=Pending Contract; SLD=Sold)

Status	List Price	Address	SqFt
ACT	\$119,000	3724 NORWOOD CT	974
ACTa	\$159,000	4616 LEETA LN	1,176
ACT	\$195,000	5010 STEVENS DR	1,303
ACT	\$199,900	1010 VIRGINIA DR	988
ACT	\$199,900	4854 STEVENS DR	1,907
ACT	\$210,000	4804 STEVENS DR	1,420
ACT	\$214,900	925 32ND ST	1,516
ACT	\$234,900	3724 IROQUOIS AVE	1,550
ACT	\$235,000	4920 EASTCHESTER DR	1,668
ACT	\$239,900	659 45TH ST	1,395
ACT	\$259,000	4598 GUAVA CT	1,664
ACT	\$273,700	4737 SARASOTA AVE	1,198
ACT	\$285,000	1023 INDIAN BEACH DR	1,924
ACT	\$294,900	941 VIRGINIA DR	2,848
ACT	\$299,999	641 45TH ST	2,200
ACT	\$329,900	4936 BRYWILL CIR	1,746
ACT	\$499,900	4600 BAY SHORE RD	2,700
ACT	\$499,900	346 N SHORE DR	2,437
ACT	\$548,000	4810 BAY SHORE RD	2,073
ACT	\$635,000	575 N SHORE DR	1,488
ACT	\$639,900	1100 SYLVAN DR	1,735
ACT	\$675,000	546 47TH ST	1,853
ACT	\$699,000	470 ACACIA DR	2,588
ACT	\$795,000	5125 STEVENS DR	2,848

Status	List Price	Address	SqFt	Sale \$	Sold Date
ACT	\$825,000	2028 ALAMEDA AVE	2,194		
ACT	\$1,049,000	320 RINGLING POINT DR	3,700		
ACT	\$1,249,000	325 S SHORE DR	2,651		
ACT	\$1,695,000	5021 BRYWILL CIR	5,054		
ACT	\$1,699,000	3825 INDIAN BEACH PL	2,335		
ACT	\$1,775,000	2704 BAY SHORE RD	3,900		
ACT	\$1,795,000	2024 ALAMEDA AVE	3,225		
ACT	\$1,850,000	2925 BAY SHORE RD	4,250		
ACT	\$1,995,000	4948 BAY SHORE RD	13,702		
ACT	\$2,390,000	350 S SHORE DR	5,308		
ACT	\$3,740,000	309 RINGLING POINT DR	7,009		
ACT	\$9,990,000	3315 BAY SHORE RD	10,871		
ACT	\$12,900,000	916 INDIAN BEACH DR	5,131		
ACT	\$13,800,000	374 S SHORE DR	10,883		
AWC	\$130,000	1115 23RD ST	1,271		
AWC	\$225,000	3304 BAY SHORE RD	1,536		
AWC	\$425,000	452 N SHORE DR	1,722		
AWC	\$479,900	445 S SHORE DR	2,031		
PNC	\$143,000	4617 LEETA LN	1,314		
PNC	\$188,100	913 TENNESSEE LN	815		
PNC	\$195,000	1051 INDIAN BEACH DR	1,335		
PNC	\$199,900	876 32ND ST	1,200		
PNC	\$349,000	439 ACACIA DR	1,769		
SLD	\$95,000	739 42ND ST	956	\$95,000	04/07/14
SLD	\$184,900	5009 REMINGTON DR	1,020	\$177,500	05/23/14
SLD	\$189,000	637 CORWOOD DR	1,268	\$189,000	03/21/14
SLD	\$189,300	3525 CHAPEL DR	923	\$175,000	02/11/14
SLD	\$199,000	3734 IROQUOIS AVE	1,659	\$190,750	04/23/14
SLD	\$240,000	593 45TH ST	1,902	\$240,000	03/24/14
SLD	\$275,000	5200 EASTCHESTER DR	1,578	\$246,750	03/31/14
SLD	\$279,900	2332 ALAMEDA AVE	1,647	\$240,000	02/07/14
SLD	\$285,000	4640 GUAVA CT	1,485	\$264,000	05/07/14
SLD	\$299,900	5012 EASTCHESTER DR	1,555	\$270,000	02/28/14
SLD	\$375,000	2827 BON AIR AVE	1,986	\$362,500	04/07/14
SLD	\$465,000	5330 WINCHESTER DR	2,017	\$445,000	05/02/14
SLD	\$870,000	4924 BRYWILL CIR	3,593	\$870,000	02/01/14
SLD	\$1,650,000	321 RINGLING POINT DR	3,106	\$1,415,000	02/24/14
SLD	\$3,385,000	2145 ALAMEDA AVENUE	6,493	\$2,950,000	05/01/14

**LOTS FOR SALE:** There were no lot sales since our last report, however at least one of the reported home sales will be demolished making way for a new home.

ACT	\$129,000	603 42ND	ACT	\$429,000	1128 Sylvan
ACT	\$140,000	2418 HICKORY	ACT	\$675,000	546 47TH
ACT	\$299,900	916 HIGHLAND	ACT	\$799,000	SUN CIRCLE
ACT	\$329,000	1140 Sylvan	ACT	\$1,699,000	3825 INDIAN BCH
ACT	\$399,000	1134 Sylvan	ACT	\$1,850,000	2925 BAY SHORE
ACT	\$429,000	1124 Sylvan	ACT	\$12,900,000	916 INDIAN BCH

The Real Estate information 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](mailto:lisaleehigh@gmail.com).

List Price	Address	SqFt
\$585,000	415 SAPPHIRE DR.	2,200

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companies in Brazil, Ivory Coast, and Cameroon, and refineries in the latter two. I represented Texaco during nationalization claims and privatization projects. I also taught English to migrant and immigrant workers and children.

*Why did you choose the IBSS neighborhood, and how long have you lived here?*

We have lived on Sapphire Drive for 15 years. We enjoy the peace and quiet of a picturesque location on the Bay; the wonderful ambiance created by the Ringling Museum, Asolo Theatre, and New College complex; the beauty of Bay Shore Drive; and the wonderful mix of the divergent demographics of the people living in the area. We were surprised to see so much wildlife in a residential area: song birds, hawks, eagles, owls, frogs, snakes, foxes, raccoons, possum, and the first rabbit after its absence of four years.

*Do you have family living in Sarasota? Outside of Sarasota?*

We have no family in Sarasota. We have three children. Our son was born in a house in Africa and moved with us to the United States when he was ten years old. He now lives in Norwalk, CT and has a newborn daughter. Our two daughters moved with us to Africa when they were two-years old and one-year old. They moved with us to the United States when they were entering their senior year in high school and college. Currently, one daughter lives in Oslo, Norway and has a daughter and a son. The other daughter lives in Norwalk, CT. I have one brother with nieces and nephews in Hollywood, Florida and Ingrid has one sister living in Germany and Switzerland and nieces and nephews in Germany and Spain.

*What is your educational background?*

I graduated from St. John's University (Queens, NY) in 1963 with a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature. I received a Master of Arts from St. John's Graduate School of Education; studied Architectural Engineering at Rhine-Westphalian Technical College, Aachen, Germany; and Philosophy & Letters at the University of Madrid, Spain. I am fluent in English, German, Portuguese, French, and Spanish.

*Did you serve in the Military?*

At age 17, I enlisted in the United States Air Force. I served from 1954-1958 in Aerial Reconnaissance and Industrial Photography.



*ABOVE: Richard with fish caught from Kwanza River in Angola (from left, Dourada, Barbuda, and Tarpon), 1970*

*BELOW: Richard and son, Thorsten, with Bluefish caught from Long Island Sound, 2009*



*Do you currently work?*

I work as a seafood clerk at Publix, Bay Isles, Longboat Key and Ingrid is a homemaker.

*Do you have any hobbies?*

At present, we have no hobbies, aside from gardening. In the past, I was an avid deep sea fisherman, hunter, skier, and golfer. I have collected shotguns, lever-action Winchesters, pistols, handmade knives, hand-crafted smoking pipes, and engravings of scenes from the Lake District in Austria. I also painted and drew. Ingrid was an avid tennis player, skier, golfer and collector of old English country furniture.

*Do you have favorite books, art pieces, movies, etc.?*

I enjoy books by Evelyn Waugh, John le Carré, Thomas Merton, Flaubert, Tolstoy, Dostoyevsky, Nikos Kazantzakis, Joseph Conrad, and poetry by E.E. Cummings, W.H. Auden, T.S. Elliot, and Robert Frost.

Favorite painters are Rembrandt, Rouault, Braques, Van Gogh, El Greco, Kandinsky, Goya, Rothko, and Klee.

I enjoy music by Mozart, Beethoven, Bartok, and Wagner and 1950-1969 jazz and country. Favorite movies include Raging Bull, Out of Africa, Saving Private Ryan, The Fighter, and The Book Thief.

*What else would you like neighbors to know about you and your family?*

Some of the things I haven't mentioned include Ingrid's life in Soviet Occupied Germany, while her father was a POW in Siberia; wildlife and colonial life in Africa; part-owner of the first floating fish meal factory in Africa; living and working in the midst of the civil war in Africa; commodity trading in NY in the 1980's; commercial tuna fishing out of NY; and swordfish longlining on the Atlantic coast of Florida. I have memories from the lower west side of Manhattan where the big ocean liners berthed, White Star, Cunard, and The Queen Mary; cobblestone streets; trolley cars; elevated train lines; and life pre- television, washing machine, refrigerator, and telephone.

*If you could change anything in IBSS, what would it be?*

Nothing, except asphaltting those streets in the neighborhood not repaved over the last 18 months.

*Interview by Lisa Lee-High ♦*

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

Neighborhood Watch is a simple program of neighborhood protection against the common enemy - crime! On a daily basis, the residents of Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores practice the principles of Neighborhood Watch:

- \* Awareness of surroundings and what's going on.
- \* Recognizing and reporting suspicious and criminal activity.
- \* Taking notice of unfamiliar persons (loitering in the area, walking through yards) and vehicles (cruising in the neighborhood for no apparent reason).
- \* Obtaining detailed descriptions of suspicious persons and vehicles.
- \* Alerting the Police and Neighborhood Watch to the location of "hot spots" in the area where criminal activity is suspected.
- \* Never disregarding situations that "just don't seem right" or are "out of the ordinary." Always call the Police!
- \* Victims of crime report the incident to the Police, alert their neighbors, and inform the Neighborhood Watch in an effort to reduce the potential for additional crime to occur.

We rely on law enforcement to protect the residents of our community and the city Police to patrol neighborhood streets, apprehend criminals, and respond to our calls for assistance. However, the residents of our wonderful neighborhood realize the very important part we play in keeping our families, neighborhood, and city safe. **Debbie Muller** ♦

## 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  
 Officer Linda DeNiro (Citizen Volunteer Program) ----- 941/ 316-6482  
 SPD Website -----

[www.sarasotapd.org](http://www.sarasotapd.org)

**Animal Services** ----- 941/ 861-9500  
**Code Compliance** ----- 941/ 954-4125  
**Narcotics Hotline** ----- 941/ 954-7050



## CRIME REPORT: JANUARY 1 - MAY 31

(Approximate totals)	2014	2013
Burglary / Structure .....	05 .....	21
Burglary / Vehicle .....	14 .....	23
Motor Vehicle Theft .....	01 .....	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

## CITIZENS' POLICE ACADEMY

August 13, 2014; 6-9PM at the Sarasota Police Department; 2099 Adams Lane. (13 Weeks including Graduation) Contact Officer Danny Robbins at 941/ 954-7056. Applications are available online at [www.sarasotapd.org](http://www.sarasotapd.org) or at the front desk of the Sarasota Police Department.

## 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](mailto:bcherrysrq@gmail.com)

### Sapphire III (Myrtle Street - Indian Beach Drive)

Fred & Joanne Gonet--941/ 358-8529 or [frejo3617@yahoo.com](mailto:frejo3617@yahoo.com)

### Sapphire IV: (Indian Beach Drive - Whitaker Bayou)

Yvonne Lacey-----941/ 365-7063 or [Lacey.Yvonne@yahoo.com](mailto: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.)



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## CALL FOR ARTISTS: Sun Circle Art Festival!

The Sun Circle Art Festival is an annual IBSSA event to promote and support the artists of our neighborhood. Save the date for Saturday, March 14, 2015, 11AM-5PM at Sapphire Shores Park. This past March 8th, we had 64 visual artists, multiple performers, 3,000 attendees, and FUN!

It's time to sign up. IBSSA members are **not** juried, others are. The spaces and categories are limited. We expect a waiting list this year. Yes, it is nine months away, but a hopping event takes planning! If you sign up and you have a conflict before January 15th, all fees (super cheap) are refunded. For the application, email [Janenutter@aol.com](mailto:Janenutter@aol.com), or call 605/ 376-6916. Please pass this information on to friends and relatives who are artists. See you in the park! **Jane Nutter Johnson** ♦

## ANNUAL GARDEN TOUR

On March 21, 2015, The Sarasota Garden Club, Inc., (SGC) is holding their Annual Garden Tour in the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighborhood. SGC was founded in 1927, with Mable Ringling as their first president. SGC currently has over 175 members—some second generation members and some who have been members since the 1950's. More information on SGC can be found at [www.sarasotagardenclub.org](http://www.sarasotagardenclub.org).

Currently, SGC is asking for home owners in the neighborhood to consider offering their gardens and a couple of homes for the tour. Original bungalows offering charm from decades past as well as modern remodels are welcomed. Gardens with artistic character, exotics and rare specimens, natural Florida Friendly, or something that simply catches your attention are some examples of what the club is looking for. "I was thrilled when the opportunity to host our Annual Tour here presented itself," according to Debbie Gardner, co-chair of Fundraising and Development and this year's chair of the tour. Ruth Walsh and Debbie attended the last IBSSA neighborhood meeting and enjoyed it so much that they want to live here or at least keep attending the meetings, per Ruth. They also attended the IBSSA art show last March. "We are looking forward to hosting our Annual Tour here and know it will offer an array of beautiful homes and gardens, making this year a spectacular success," said Ruth.

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If you would like your home and/or garden to be considered for the tour or if you know of a garden or home of interest, please contact Debbie at [debbie.gardner2@aol.com](mailto:debbie.gardner2@aol.com) or phone 941/ 284-9694 or Ruth Walsh at [ruthawalsh@verizon.net](mailto:ruthawalsh@verizon.net) phone 941/ 926-2536. Proceeds from the tour will benefit the SGC's non-profit missions. **Debbie Gardner** ♦

## ARTISTS OPEN STUDIOS

I am putting together a brainstorming session with the artists in the community for planning ARTISTS OPEN STUDIOS, (visual, music, other??) in our neighborhood. This is now just in the planning stage and, if you have any thoughts and ideas, I would appreciate your input as to:

1. Are you an interested artist with a studio in our neighborhood?
2. Can you think of any other way you would be interested in sharing with the community?
3. Are you available to meet as a group?
4. Are you willing to participate in the planning process for this endeavor?
5. For the open studios, we are thinking of starting in October or November of 2014 and planning a series of events that would occur once a month, possibly on the second Thursday of the month.
6. If you have any thoughts, concerns, or ideas, please come forward and let's work together.

Please email me directly at [delavillesrq@gmail.com](mailto:delavillesrq@gmail.com).

Thank you! **Elena De La Ville** ♦

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, August 5, 2014. For many years, the first Tuesday in August has signified "America's Night Out Against Crime." Neighbors get out and mingle and get to know one another. In the past, residents in our neighborhood have had block parties, ice cream socials, and flashlight walks. Planning outdoor events is often difficult, due to unpredictable weather, especially at this time of year. However, everyone can participate in National Night Out by simply turning on their porch and outside lights. Throughout the United States and on military bases worldwide, this display of lights is symbolic, meaning "lights on means lights off for crime!" **Debbie Muller** ♦



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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.*



The 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 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 lisaleehigh@gmail.com.

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**Submission deadline for the October issue is September 22, 2014.**



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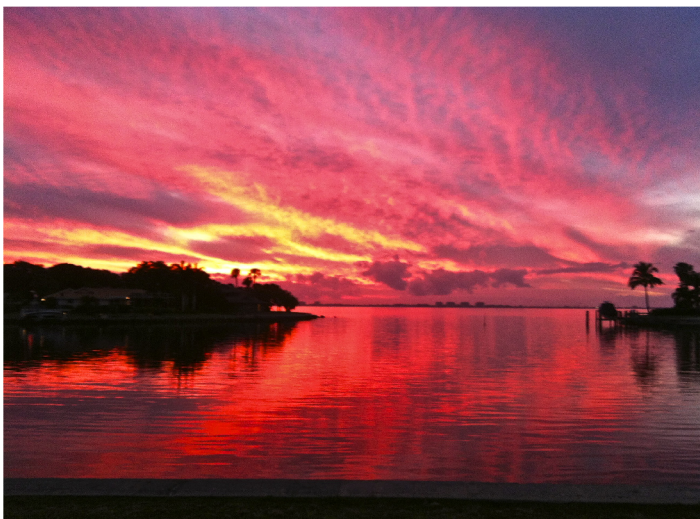


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## SUNSET AT SAPPHIRE SHORES PARK

Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores resident and photographer, Alene Pettus, submitted a beautiful selection of sunset photographs that she has taken while at the park with her dog. "I spend a lot of time at the park with Buca! Every morning, we go to our office on a bench in the park. I answer emails and have coffee. Buca goes to work watching the bay, protecting us from those big bad dolphins!"



**IBSSA is now on Facebook**

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Indian-Beach-Sapphire-Shores-Neighborhood-Associaton/495198507253333#>





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