



Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2016

SUN CIRCLE ART FESTIVAL

The Art Festival Committee members have worked hard to make this year's Festival better than ever! We have five food booths from neighborhood restaurants (including Muse at Ringling, Carr's Café, and World Bites). Come for coffee and Danish or lunch. Support the food vendors, in addition to the artists.

Entertainment is scheduled throughout the day. Plan on attending and enjoying the day at the Park.

Over 60 artists (20 live in the neighborhood) have booths. James Gibson, an original Highwayman, from Ft. Pierce, Florida is returning. We have artists from New Hampshire and upstate New York, along with many outstanding artists from throughout our region.

Several authors will be book signing. Alma Johnson (see article on page 5 of this newsletter) is bringing her award-winning neighborhood honey.

There is always need for more volunteers. Contact Monica Neligon at 941/ 355.5918 or svlinggrace@hotmail.com.

Please post on your facebook; **like** our page, *Sun Circle Art Festival*; email invites to your lists of friends and families; and take brochures to your work, health club, or social events. I will be happy to send a pdf or jpg that can easily be shared. I also have extra mini posters to distribute. Contact me at janenutter@aol.com or 941/ 351.1920.

By the time you are reading this, you should see the yarn bombing at the park (no nails or staples are used). It is great fun and adds a little whimsy to the pre-Festival atmosphere.

See you on March 5th from 10am to 5pm!

Jane Nutter Johnson

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See Page 2-3 for brief highlights from a few of the IBSS Artists participating in the Festival.



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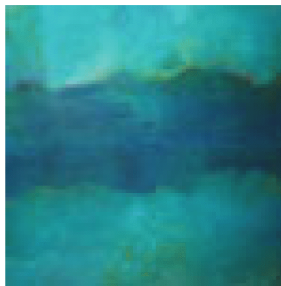
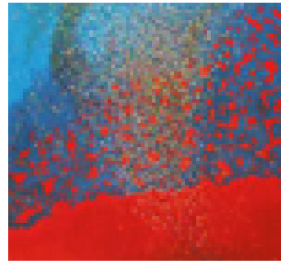
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A SAMPLING OF NEIGHBORHOOD ARTISTS SHOWING IN OUR ART FESTIVAL

Norman Grandstaff paints as a means of achieving a meditative state in the viewer. By having the viewer travel inward, through the dozens of layers of paint and lacquer, he attempts to create an environment in which there are no recognizable objects, just feelings and colors that induce moods and calm. "I hope that you'll find this in my work."

Born in New York City in May 1956, he has lived in NYC, Richmond, VA, and Vienna, VA and now resides in Sarasota. He has exhibited throughout Washington, DC, Virginia and Manhattan (Chelsea). He has been a designer, painter, and an art director for over 30 years. He graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University; studied painting privately under Nick Apgar, a protégé of Joseph Albers; attended the Corcoran School of the Arts; and later received his graduate degree from Georgetown University.



Bonnie McCormick is a designer and artist who recently moved to Sarasota to escape the memory of 110" of snow from last winter. The major mediums that dominate in her work are photography and drawing/painting.

The subject usually relates to human form and the space the body moves in. Her upcoming shows are at Nude Nite in Orlando and the Sun Circle Art Festival.



Elena De La Ville has been participating in the Sun Circle Art Festival since its beginning and has seen it grow and expand, bringing local talent to our community. "This year we have some very accomplished artists joining us, and we hope to make this our best year yet! Please join us!"



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This Newsletter is published four times a year for all 1,140 residences in the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighborhood. It will be mailed approximately late-February, mid-June, last week in October, and mid-December.

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Deadline for the June issue is May 21, 2016

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Joni Younkins-Herzog is a neighborhood sculptor working in many mediums ranging from wearable to 17 ft. tall public works. "Nature, human relations, and the dispersal and fertilization of the feminine mystique fuel my research and studio practice."



Rebecca Devere is a professional artist, has been on HGTV, on "Voice Of America" in China and Britain, and has international art sales. "My art has taken me to many wonderful places. I was the first inductee into the Arts Hall of Fame of my alma matter."



Many of my pieces hang on the walls of Microsoft. I'm currently in a show in Redmond, Washington being honored as one of the most influential female artists on the Eastside (of Seattle). I was on the Cultural Council of Kirkland and volunteered in many capacities to help artists thrive and sell their work."

Come to the Art Festival and meet all the artists who live in our neighborhood, as well as artists from throughout our Region and out-of-state.

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UPDATE: Expansion of Indian Beach Park

In the last issue of this newsletter, I announced that efforts by some neighbors to petition Sarasota County (they have the money for parkland acquisition) to expand the Indian Beach Park would be discussed (pros, cons, and facts) and voted on by the membership at the December IBSSA semiannual meeting.

Here are the results: the group of about 120 voted 55 to 40 (one vote per household) in favor of expansion. A letter detailing the vote in support of acquiring this land was sent to the City (the City's endorsement is a significant factor in the County's decision) and those in support of the effort. This was to be the first step in a long process the County follows in such matters.

However, week before last, the City's Parks, Recreation, and Environmental Protection Board (an essential first step in the County's process) voted NOT to endorse the effort. [David Morriss](#)



ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YARD SALE!

It was a sunny and rain-free weekend for the annual IBSSA yard sale held on January 30-31st. There was an increased number of buyers in cars throughout the neighborhood before the 9am start time, circling the area to see if any houses were opening early. Buyers found a wide range of items to choose from. Thank you to all who participated. [Monica Neligon](#)



Mark your calendars! The 2017 yard sale will be held on January 28th and 29th.

BEES TO BLAME FOR BROKEN BRANCHES

Residents in the IBSS neighborhood have been abuzz about the wonderful crops and flowers in their gardens. In fact, some plants are yielding such bountiful crops that their branches are breaking! However, this wasn't always the case. When Alma Johnson, a resident of IBSS, first started her Victory Garden in response to surviving a close encounter with cancer, she could barely get a crop to grow. Despite having pollinated her plants by hand, she was faced with the fact that humans just aren't equipped to do a bee's work. And that was what prompted her to begin investing in her own apiary.

Having been labeled developmentally disabled at a young age, through mentorship Johnson excelled beyond what was ever expected of her. She oversaw a state-wide program for young



Alma Johnson; IBSS resident and queen bee of Sarasota Honey Company



adults with disabilities transitioning from school to the community. Unfortunately her program lost state funding, which prompted her to think outside of the box. Her hobby quickly evolved into a thriving business. In a male-dominated profession, Alma is reigning as the queen bee of Sarasota Honey Company (SHC). Her success has allowed her to combine her love for bees with her love for the community with special needs. She continues to help young adults transition into the workforce and become active and productive citizens through her business. Not only does SHC provide free transition classes to young adults who are "differently abled," but funds are often allotted to covering the costs of bus fares and to purchase outfits for job interviews to help people with special needs move confidently and boldly in the direction of their dreams. One such young adult, Michelle Edwards, recently achieved her goal of becoming a beekeeper. She frequently assists Alma in the field. Alma proudly states that Michelle is "cool as a cucumber and a natural with the bees." In addition, SHC has partnered with Commu-

nity Haven, a local not-for-profit that promotes independence for people with special needs. Through this partnership even more jobs can be offered as SHC compensates Haven Industries employees with special needs for bottling and labeling honey. Moreover, Community Haven benefits from honey donated from SHC which they sell and keep 100% of the profit at their resale store.

Sarasota Honey Company offers a variety of truly local raw honey. And if you think all honey tastes the same, think again. Depending on where a hive is located and what food source is available, the flavor of honey can range from super sweet like that derived from bees foraging on orange and blueberry blossoms, to honey that has a little zing from bees feasting on the blossoms of the Brazilian Pepper tree. Honey from the IBSS neighborhood placed among the "2015 Top 4 Best Tasting Honey in the State of Florida," out-ranking the coveted tupelo honey! Specializing in small batch, raw, urban honey so you are able to taste



the joy of the beekeeper, Alma keeps her artisan honey true to the locations where they are located, not mixing. The taste of the honey from Sarasota bay tastes nothing like honey from her hives located near the top of Fruitville

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REAL ESTATE UPDATE: February 1, 2016

As expected, available properties are on the rise. This is not unusual since many people wait until the holiday season is behind them and our winter population has arrived. In addition to this annual trend, some property owners are now seeing the opportunity to (finally!!) "get out whole" if they purchased in the higher markets of 2004, 2005, or 2006.

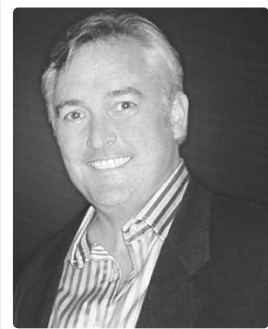
Today, there are 34 Active Listings in IBSS ranging from \$189,000 to \$8,785,000. There are 11 properties "under contract" and 7 have sold since our last report was generated on December 1st. This is close to the strong rate of sales we saw in the fall: 20, about 4 closings per month. Sale prices ranged from \$175,000 to \$3,000,000.

Things to keep an eye on, if you are interested in our local Real Estate market, are the Absolute Auction of the bay front property at 2309 Alameda Avenue and the stepped up sales effort at Bellora (Houses of Indian Beach). Both of these will be reported on in our next newsletter.

I wish I had time to write more but this time of year the phone rings all day long...especially when the snow falls up north. **David Jennings**

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PROPERTIES:

Active, Active with Contract, Pending, and Sold
(December 1, 2015 to February 1, 2016)

| Status | Address | Beds | Baths | Price |
|--------|--------------------------|------|-------|-------------|
| ACT | 820 42ND STREET | 3 | 2/0 | \$189,000 |
| ACT | 865 40TH STREET | 2 | 2/0 | \$224,900 |
| ACT | 3920 SARASOTA AVE | 2 | 2/0 | \$225,000 |
| ACT | 723 CORWOOD DRIVE | 2 | 2/0 | \$249,000 |
| ACT | 5037 REMINGTON DRIVE | 3 | 3/0 | \$259,000 |
| ACT | 3734 IROQUOIS AVENUE | 3 | 2/0 | \$259,900 |
| ACT | 3605 IROQUOIS AVENUE | 3 | 3/0 | \$260,000 |
| ACT | 630 CORWOOD DRIVE | 3 | 2/0 | \$284,900 |
| ACT | 4925 REMINGTON DRIVE | 3 | 3/1 | \$319,000 |
| ACT | 4520 45TH COURT | 3 | 3/0 | \$319,900 |
| ACT | 1023 INDIAN BEACH DRIVE | 3 | 2/0 | \$335,000 |
| ACT | 561 CORWOOD DRIVE | 3 | 2/0 | \$374,900 |
| ACT | 2318 HICKORY AVENUE | 3 | 2/0 | \$419,000 |
| ACT | 826 INDIAN BEACH DRIVE | 3 | 3/0 | \$589,000 |
| ACT | 3200 BAY SHORE ROAD | 3 | 3/1 | \$615,000 |
| ACT | 546 47TH STREET | 3 | 1/1 | \$640,000 |
| ACT | 5110 SUN CIRCLE | 3 | 3/0 | \$850,000 |
| ACT | 602 BELLORA WAY | 3 | 2/1 | \$921,000 |
| ACT | 320 RINGLING POINT DRIVE | 4 | 3/1 | \$950,000 |
| ACT | 435 S SHORE DRIVE | 4 | 3/0 | \$999,000 |
| ACT | 612 BELLORA WAY | 3 | 2/1 | \$1,024,300 |
| ACT | 426 ACACIA DRIVE | 4 | 3/1 | \$1,099,000 |
| ACT | 4931 BAY SHORE ROAD | 4 | 3/1 | \$1,100,000 |
| ACT | 463 SAPPHIRE DRIVE | 4 | 3/1 | \$1,175,000 |
| ACT | 580 BELLORA WAY | 3 | 3/0 | \$1,193,500 |
| ACT | 406 WOODLAND DRIVE | 5 | 3/2 | \$1,699,900 |
| ACT | 710 INDIAN BEACH CIRCLE | 5 | 5/1 | \$2,099,000 |
| ACT | 916 INDIAN BEACH DRIVE | 5 | 3/0 | \$2,695,000 |
| ACT | 3133 BAY SHORE ROAD | 4 | 3/1 | \$3,495,000 |
| ACT | 4035 BAY SHORE ROAD | 5 | 5/0 | \$3,495,000 |
| ACT | 612 INDIAN BEACH LANE | 4 | 4/1 | \$3,495,000 |
| ACT | 336 SOUTH SHORE DRIVE | 5 | 4/1 | \$5,300,000 |
| ACT | 3315 BAY SHORE ROAD | 6 | 7/2 | \$8,700,000 |
| ACT | 916 INDIAN BEACH DRIVE | 8 | 6/0 | \$8,785,000 |
| AWC | 929 MYRTLE STREET | 2 | 2/0 | \$225,000 |
| AWC | 954 VIRGINIA DRIVE | 3 | 2/0 | \$319,000 |
| AWC | N SHORE DRIVE | 5 | 3/0 | \$579,000 |
| AWC | 820 INDIAN BEACH DRIVE | 3 | 3/0 | \$1,100,000 |
| PNC | 3830 CHAPEL DRIVE | 3 | 2/0 | \$225,000 |
| PNC | 876 PATTERSON DRIVE | 4 | 2/0 | \$229,000 |
| PNC | 4103 TURKS CAP PLACE | 3 | 1/1 | \$299,000 |
| PNC | 418 SAPPHIRE DRIVE | 3 | 2/0 | \$499,000 |
| PNC | 2200 IXORA AVENUE | 3 | 2/0 | \$595,000 |
| PNC | 450 S SHORE DRIVE | 3 | 3/1 | \$949,000 |
| PNC | 4007 BAY SHORE ROAD | 4 | 5/0 | \$1,700,000 |
| SLD | 3312 BAY SHORE ROAD | 2 | 1/0 | \$175,000 |
| SLD | 4111 SARASOTA AVENUE | 2 | 1/0 | \$200,000 |
| SLD | 2509 IXORA AVENUE | 2 | 2/0 | \$200,000 |
| SLD | 3970 BAY SHORE ROAD | 3 | 3/0 | \$240,000 |
| SLD | 4606 LEETA LANE | 3 | 2/0 | \$240,000 |

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

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Road. SHC also sells 100% beeswax candles that actually purify the air you breathe and all natural honey soaps. All of their products are made by people with special needs. SHC products can be found at this year's IBSSA Art Festival, the Sarasota Jungle Garden's gift shop, or at retailers found on their website at sarasotahoney.com.

Good teachers are lifelong students, and Alma and her team continue to stay up-to-date on bee ecology and research. She shares knowledge and love for bees by serving on the governing board of the Suncoast Beekeepers Association and offers beekeeping seminars. To help aid the construction and production of a state-of-the-art honey bee research lab at the University of Florida, SHC will be holding the first annual Sarasota Honey Bee Festival on March 12th, hosted by Sweetgrass Farms at 8350 Carolina Street in Sarasota. The event will have craft vendors, artisan food trucks, live entertainment/performances, a kid zone, and educational booths with Master Gardeners, Master Beekeepers, and experts on other pollinators and gardening systems. Children and adults (in costumes) get in free.

In the meantime, if you'd have the dilemma of too much fruit, contact SHC about their Host A Hive program. Find all the details at sarasotahoney.com. SHC will install a maintenance-free hive in your yard, give you a cut of the honey, and all you have to do is sit back and watch the landscape flourish. **Sarasota Honey Company**



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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

With the start of another year comes a deep appreciation for all that we have and hold dear, grateful recollections of yesterdays, and hopeful expectations for tomorrow. We often gain renewed inspiration to do and be better, aspiration to improve our circumstances and surroundings, determination to safeguard our homes and loved ones, and intentions to encourage and assist others. These are often goals that concerned, caring people aim for on a daily basis.

The main premise and principles of the Neighborhood Watch program encompass everything on such a “wish to do” list; neighbors working hand in hand to keep families safe, preserve neighborhoods, and reduce crime throughout our communities and country. Peace on earth, kindness, compassion, and goodwill among everyone is difficult to imagine and probably unrealistic, but never too much to hope for and strive towards. There is infinite opportunity and optimism when realizing that our actions and attitudes truly make a difference and can have a positive influence on outcomes. If we choose to work together, we will make our world a more peaceful and safe place in 2016, and always.

“Good neighbor” is perfectly described, defined, and demonstrated by the residents of our wonderful neighborhood, yet even though we are ever vigilant, crime still occurs. In 2015, we had an increase in residential burglaries (+6) and motor vehicle thefts (+3). It should be noted that seven residential burglaries, two motor vehicle thefts, and two vehicle burglaries occurred in December. In two of the home burglaries, the residents were in the process of moving and no longer living in the houses. Five of the residential burglaries resulted in nothing being taken and, in two instances, neighbors provided the police descriptions of suspects. (Three persons were arrested in connection with separate break-ins earlier in the year 2015.) The stolen vehicles were recovered and an arrest made in one case. Vehicle burglaries decreased (-3) in our neighborhood while increasing within the city (+173 approximately.) This increase was due largely to thieves looking for easy targets and vehicles not being locked. One individual arrested was involved in 30 vehicle burglaries, most with no forced entry.

Please make an effort to take common sense security measures and remember to call the police immediately if you are the victim of a crime or if you observe any criminal or suspicious activity. Reports of crime and illicit activity occurring in our area or anywhere are extremely upsetting and unsettling. There is, however, news that I am very glad

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 Watch Coordinators ■ Alert your neighbors

to report and perhaps should post as a warning to criminals: Residents of Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores are committed to reducing crime and helping law enforcement catch criminals. Concern, awareness, and communication among neighbors represent a successful Neighborhood Watch and thankfully...this is us! **For more information, contact Debbie Muller at 941/ 355-5743.**

SPEED LIMITS

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25mph throughout our neighborhood

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IBSS CRIME REPORT: JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31

| (Approximate totals) | 2015 | 2014 |
|----------------------------|------|------|
| Burglary / Structure | 16 | 10 |
| Burglary / Vehicle | 16 | 19 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 05 | 02 |
| Robbery | 02 | 02 |

(January 1-27, 2016: one residential burglary, three auto burglaries

January 1-27, 2015: one auto burglary, one motor vehicle theft.)

CITY WIDE CRIME REPORT: JANUARY 1-DECEMBER 31

| (Approximate totals) | 2015 | 2014 |
|----------------------------|------|------|
| Burglary / Structure | 415 | 479 |
| Burglary / Vehicle | 529 | 356 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 111 | 111 |
| Robbery | 112 | 108 |

SHARE YOUR COMMENTS OR IDEAS

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BARNETT HOME FEATURED IN THE HERALD TRIBUNE STYLE MAGAZINE

This article is edited, with permission, from the November 2015 Herald Tribune Style Magazine article written by Marty Fugate.

The Barnetts greet me at the portico of the Mediterranean revival residence, a two story stucco structure located at the corner of Bay Shore Road, Brywill Circle, and Mecca Drive. Their Mediterranean revival residence is a two-story stucco structure encompassing roughly 4,000 square feet, a first edition Med-Rev palace from the 1920s.

Jack enjoyed a long career at the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, D.C. Claudia is a high-energy sales associate at Premier Sotheby's International Realty. She was the previous owner of Preservation Development Company, which did extensive work on historic properties in Washington, D.C.

The Barnetts were snowbirds, dividing their time between a condo on Siesta Key and their home in McLean, Virginia, a suburb of Washington, D.C. When they decided to make Sarasota their year round home, they focused on Sapphire Shores. They were looking for a project, a retirement home, and/or an adventure. They found all three at the Binz

Residence. Listed on the National and Local Historic Registers, the property was built on Lot #1 of the lots John Ringling sold to friends and investors in the early 1920s. Frank Binz was a friend from Chicago. He owned a storage business in Sarasota and Chicago. (The Binz Storage building is now home to the Westcoast Black Theater Troupe).

They watched the house online for a year. In October 2012, they drove by the house and saw that it was once again available for sale; several contracts had fallen through. "We stepped into the dark, cool, living room, looked at the pecky cypress beams and frescoed ceilings, then walked out to the walled garden. We felt as if we were in Italy or Spain. It was magical."

The Binz house was an historic structure, but history had been unkind. They saw the potential and the damage. The house didn't function as a contemporary living space. Stylistically, the spaces were a patchwork; fragments of the 1920s and bits of 1980s plastic renovations did not lend themselves to a lifestyle the Barnetts wanted to enjoy. They extended a hallway off of the living room that had originally been an exterior loggia five feet and created a dining room with large doors opening to the piazza and pool. They replicated the pecky cypress beams and a student from Ringling College designed and painted a fresco between the beams, mimicking the lovely fresco in the original dining room. The dark, frescoed-ceiling dining room became a 21st century open kitchen and opens with 12 foot pocket doors

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onto the pool deck. They also found a former door that had been enclosed and opened that wall up to light with a large window. The kitchen is the center of the home with a 10 foot island where guests watch Claudia cook up a storm!

The existing 1980's kitchen is now the "butler's pantry" without a butler. But it is great for storage and includes a second dishwasher, oven, and refrigerator to assist with the extensive entertaining the Barnetts enjoy.

A warren of little utility rooms attached to what had been a 1970's enclosed porch in the rear of the property became a 500 square foot master suite with roman shower and large dressing room with laundry. Now they have a first floor master suite. Three bedrooms ensuite are upstairs for friends and family visitors. Jack uses one of them as an office where he overlooks the garden and the lovely neighborhood homes on Brywill Circle.

But a project such as this is not for the foolhardy. The sewer was non-functioning and needed to be replaced to the street. The wiring was, in many places, archaic. The thick terra cotta walls were fragile to deal with. All of the windows and doors needed to be replaced up to code and replicated to match the originals. The HVAC systems were completely revamped to include duct work on the second floor and three new systems. Original travertine floors were restored to luster. Original wood floors were sanded and stained.

Renovations of historic homes in Sarasota are supervised by an employee of the city. This added layer of bureaucracy and his demands during the construction process caused some delays. Fortunately, Claudia's experience with large historic projects gave them the confidence to move ahead, protecting the integrity of the home while at the same time ensuring that the work would prolong the useful life of the home for years to come.

Happy IBSS homeowners, Jack and Claudia, feel welcomed and appreciated for bringing back to life a beautiful asset to our special neighborhood. **Submitted by Claudia Barnett**

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