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INDIAN BEACH - SAPPHIRE SHORES ASSOC.



CALL FOR ARTISTS

Sun Circle Art Festival March 3, 2018

The Sun Circle Art Festival will be held at Sapphire Shores Park on Saturday, March 3, 2018 from 10am-5pm. This is our sixth annual neighborhood art show created by neighbors for neighbors and the wider community. IBSSA supports this event and encourages you to participate. Pictured above are examples from the first 30 artists to sign up for the 2018 Art Festival. Our space is limited, so contact us soon if you or an

artist you know would like an exhibit booth. The park will be alive with action as the Festival will include seven hours of live music and performance produced by neighbor Jon Pettus. This is a major event for Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores and part of what we celebrate about our community. Plan to invite your friends and family to enjoy delicious food and beverages from local vendors while enjoying the diverse works of our talented artists. Support all the artists in our art-inspired community by being there on March 3rd!

Contact / Questions / Download the Application

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FEBRUARY 8, 2018 SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY ISSUE

This Newsletter is supported, in part, by grant funds from the City of Sarasota's Neighborhood Community Building Grant Program.

IBSSA Board meetings are open to all IBSSA members. Meetings are held the first Thursday of every month (except July) at 7:00pm at Light of the World Church (Bay Shore Road & Chapel Drive).

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IBSSA

President's Corner

Membership is the topic. It is a passion the Board of Directors and I share. IBSSA membership is only \$20 each calendar year. Yes, most of us think the year begins at the picnic, but



by-laws state the membership is the calendar year. As of press time, we are at 291 members. In January, we start with a clean slate except for the few who pay ahead. There are 1,200 households in Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores, therefore doing the math shows that 24% are members. If you haven't done so yet, please join now to increase that percentage. All December memberships count for 2018!

Your membership helps support the activities we sponsor; Newsletter (which is mailed to all households), Picnic, Community Yard Sale, Sun Circle Art Festival, News Group. Website, Neighborhood Watch, doggie bags, etc.

Last year we offered an Easter Egg Hunt and Saturday Yoga at Sun Circle Park with reduced admission for members. The next yard sale (January 27 and 28, 2018) will only be \$5. to participate if you are a member.

The IBSSA Board Meetings are open and held on the first Thursday of every month, except July. We often have guests and would like them all to be members.

The Board is asked to represent the neighborhood regarding critical issues with the City and County Commissioners. They don't always vote as we want, but they do listen to us.

Now is the time to pay; it is easy:

Online at www.ibssa.ws or mail check to IBSSA, PO Box 49673, Sarasota, FL 34230. For membership questions, contact Maegan Ochoa at IBSSAmembership@gmail.com.

We are ready to listen to your concerns and comments. Jane Nutter Johnson, President

Email: Janenutter@aol.com or phone: 941.351.1920

Access at Sapphire **Shores Park**

Our neighborhood is fortunate to have such a beautiful park and view of the Bay. We also have a small sandy beach access point for kayakers and paddle boarders. In light of this, we are seeking volunteers to assist in maintaining a clean and inviting sandy beach access point. Join in and volunteer an hour of fun and social time with your neighbors. Let's make our shore line the best it can be! Please contact me for more information.

John Laybourn: 313.300.4700

RECAP

Annual Picnic

A beautiful, sunny day greeted the volunteers as they arrived at 8:30am to begin setting up the Caples grounds for our annual picnic! At 1:00pm, neighbors starting arriving with their dishes for the potluck table and it was the beginning of a fun-filled afternoon with music by DJ Jay of 11Productions and a children's activities table, including face painting.

Our raffle committee worked hard and put together 18 raffle packages, 21 silent auctions items, and a 50/50 raffle. The auction component made approximately \$2,900, which helps with picnic expenses. Thank you to the neighbors and community businesses who were generous with their donations: gift cards, special treasures, and parties, etc. Local restaurants, "The Muse" and "Kasa," offered appetizers and "Sunnyside" served pulled pork sliders to compliment the offerings at the potluck table. Everything was awesome.

Attendance was about 260, which is a record of the past several years. Over 115 memberships paid renewals including 16 new IBSSA members!

The Picnic theme this year was "Thankful" and I am very thankful for Jane Nutter Johnson, Monica Neligon, Lynn Walters, Sabrina Sullivan, Maegan Collin, Carol Pettingill, and 30 other volunteers who made it happen. I could not have done it without them! Thank you to all who said yes when asked to help!

I would also like to thank John and Anja Buetergerds who collected just under 500 pounds of food for "All Faiths Food Bank," Richard Moore for collecting E Junk for the benefit of the "National Coalition Against Domestic Violence," and Maryann Armour and Alli Tsiperovich who collected items to "Support our Military."

Mark your calendar now for next year's picnic scheduled for Sunday, November 11, 2018. Picnic 2018 planning starts early. Please contact me to volunteer to serve on a committee. Joanne Gonet, Picnic Chair

Email: frejo3617@yahoo.com or Cell: 508.264.6333

See Picnic Photos on Page 4 →



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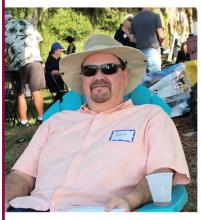












































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SATURDAYS

Yoga At Sapphire Shores Park

Join the yoga group on Saturdays from 10-11:30am for a relaxing and uplifting experience with instructor Helen Kesler.

IBSSA Members: \$5.00 Non-members: \$10.00 IBSSA membership is \$20.00 per household annually. Cash or check. All levels welcome. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a mat/towel and water. Membership may be purchased or renewed at the yoga class or see membership form on Page 2 of this Newsletter.

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If you pay in advance to advertise in all four issues in 2018, you will receive a 15% discount on the "per issue" rate.

See Page 2 for details

Thank you to all advertisers!

JANUARY 27-28, 2018; 9AM-3PM

Annual IBSSA Yard Sale

The Indian Beach–Sapphire Shores Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday January 27th and Sunday January 28th, 2018 from 9am to 3pm each day.

Joining together as a neighborhood brings more customers, better advertising, and limits excess traffic to one weekend. Advertising starts right after the holidays and customers are waiting. This is a perfect time to clean out items you no longer need or to shop for items you need.

Over 80+ homes participated in the 2017 IBSSA yard sale. The items sold are representative and/or mimic the style of our eclectic museum area. Buyers love this event and come every year.

To cover advertising costs, each house participating is asked to submit payment:

- * \$5 if you are an IBSSA members. (Note: Annual IBSSA membership dues are just \$20)
- * \$15 if you are a non-IBSSA member.

 Maps listing all participants will be provided.

If you have any questions, need additional information, or would like to sign up, please call me. Monica Neligon, Yard Sale Chair, 941-355-5918 or svlivinggrace@hotmail.com.



DECEMBER 12, 2017

Real Estate Update

There were only 5 real estate closings since our last list was compiled in early October which reported a total of 17! Most everyone knows this is not a reflection of the market today but what was happening 30 or 60 days ago.

We had more sales in September than usual but along these lines, that is an indication of what Buyers were doing in July and August. Based on the low number of sales in October and November, it is pretty easy to suggest in September and into October folks were busy cleaning up their properties from Hurricane Irma or seriously considering their move to Florida. We all had media fatigue from that storm, didn't we?

No really big sales to report. You will see in the grid below the high mark was \$425,000. Maybe the most interesting development is the Pending Sale in Bellora (Houses of Indian Beach). Will this be an "ice breaker" that gets things moving in there? Only season will tell.

Today, inventory is at a very low point and most market indicators are good. People are beginning to reach out to discuss listing properties after the first of the year, so we should see a little bump in available houses. Increases in value have been modest over the past year, but still inching upward.

Enjoy our rare cold front(s) and here's wishing you and yours a wonderful holiday season! -David Jennings, Broker Associate, Coldwell Banker Real Estate

PROPERTIES: Active, Pending, and Sold (October 8 - December 12, 2017)

Status Address

Status	Address	SqFt	Price	Bed	Bath
	744 42ND ST		,		
	1064 VIRGINIA DR				
ACT	1044 VIRGINIA DR	720	329,000	1	1/0
ACT	710 40TH ST	1806	339,400	3	1/0
	452 SAPPHIRE DR				
	630 47TH ST				
	4640 GUAVA CT				
ACT	2434 HICKORY AVE	1,764	489,000	3	2/0
ACT	3926 BAY SHORE RD	1,498	499,000	3	2/0
ACT	933 WINDSOR DR	2,170	499,900	3	2/0
ACT	924 INDIAN BEACH DR	2,974	899,000	3	2/0
ACT	602 BELLORA WAY	2,344	921,000	3	2/1
ACT	3970 BAY SHORE RD	2,418	1,029,000	3	3/0
ACT	2810 BAY SHORE RD	2,590	1,050,000	2	3/0
ACT	710 INDIAN BEACH CIR	3,084	1,595,000	5	5/1
ACT	361 S SHORE DR	3,049	1,600,000	3	3/0
ACT	636 INDIAN BEACH LN	3,392	1,645,000	3	3/0
ACT	4831 BAY SHORE RD	4,706	1,695,000	5	5/0
ACT	4035 BAY SHORE RD	1,305	2,200,000	2	2/1
	305 RINGLING POINT DR				
ACT	3221 BAY SHORE RD	5,309	3,495,000	4	4/2
ACT	2309 ALAMEDA AVE	7,434	3,900,000	5	7/1
PNC	911 MRYTLE ST	795	159,000	2	1/0
PNC	1004 22ND ST	800	229,000	2	1/0
PNC	3515 CHAPEL DR	1,098	239,000	3	2/1
PNC	5001 STEVENS DR	2,038	334,900	3	2/0
PNC	4844 BRYWILL CIR	2,672	995,000	3	3/0
PNC	580 BELLORA WAY	2,957	1,250,000	3	3/0
SLD	3729 IROQUOIS AVE	864	175,000	2	1/0
SLD	938 HIGHLAND ST	1,200	245,000	2	1/0
SLD	511 45TH ST	1,800	367,500	3	2/0
	4640 LEETA LN				
SLD	669 45TH ST	1,785	425,000	3	2/0
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Information from Multiple Listing Data Base. Submitted by David Jennings, Broker-Associate with Coldwell Banker.

DECEMBER 22, 2017

5th Annual Holiday Caroling

Everyone is welcome to this festive event on Friday, December 22nd from 4pm – 6pm at Sapphire Shores Park. Sheet music will be provided. For more information contact carolp5678@verizon.net

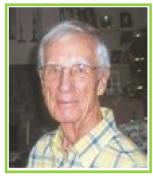




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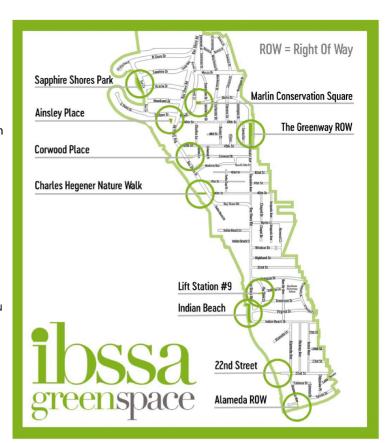
Volunteer

Greenspace, formerly known as Beautification, will be very active this year. The IBSSA Greenspace mission is simple: keep our urban green spaces as green as possible for everyone to enjoy. Most of our ten IBSSA sites are tired and in need of attention. Contact us about volunteering at ibssagreenspace@gmail.com. We meet, we garden, and we visit for one hour. There will be a project every Sunday, but volunteers can choose from a calendar of opportunities by checking the newsletter that will be prepared specifically for Greenspace volunteers. There is a strong tradition of volunteering to keep our neighborhood public spaces beautiful.



Alan Reed Lillie was a steward of this tradition. Alan passed away on November 24, 2017. When you walk around our community, Alan's beautification projects are everywhere; nature walkways, ROW's, gardens, sculptures, benches, and memorials. We thank Alan for his vision and commitment.

Jack Wooster, Greenspace Chair



Chemical Free Public Space Discussion

At the IBSSA Annual Meeting on December 12th, John Kretzer, Manager of Landscape Operations, City of Sarasota presented the Landscape Division's current chemical protocols. He presented the science behind their process and tried to clarify any misunderstandings that are out there about Roundup and chemical controls in general.

Following the discussion, the IBSSA membership voted that The City of Sarasota will continue to maintain the IBSSA Public Spaces using environmentally friendly chemicals. IBSSA Greenspace will weed and educate neighbors to help in the process.

Thank you John Kretzer for an excellent job. Jack Wooster, Greenspace Chair

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UPDATE

Lost Dog During Storm

In the October IBSSA Newsletter there was an article about a lost dog who was wandering our neighborhood after the Hurricane visited us. Once the dog (who we named "Irma") was captured, Animal Control Services scanned her and discovered a chip indicating she was from Quebec, Canada but no owner was registered with the chip.

After the Newsletter went to press, Animal Control Services informed me that they accidentally transposed the microchip ID numbers when they entered them on the microchip website. The dog was not from Canada. Her name was Gracie and she was happily returned to her owners who live on 9th Street in Sarasota. Lisa Lee-High

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RESCUED FROM BAY

Missing Memorial Plaque

During low tide in November, several neighbors noticed that one of the plaques in Sapphire Shores Park had been pulled up and thrown into the Bay near the seawall. Thanks to RC Johnson and Jack Wooster, Mona McDonald's plaque was rescued and put back in its place in the middle of the park, north of the playground. Lisa Lee-High











Neighborhood Watch News

The holidays are upon us along with the exhilarating, exciting, and at times exhausting hustle and bustle of the Season. With the additional activities, festivities, and responsibilities to tend to, remaining safe should be at the top of our to do list. No matter where we are or what we are doing, remembering to take basic crime prevention measures and making personal safety a top priority will help make our days merry and bright and also safe and secure.

Being aware of our surroundings, noticing what's happening, who's around, and never getting distracted is so very important! Immediately call the police and/or report to security if you observe anything out of the ordinary that just doesn't seem right or if someone is behaving in an unusual, disturbing, or concerning manner. If possible, distance yourself from any dangerous situation or threat of harm. Using our instincts and quickly responding to potential tragic situations will better ensure the safety of ourselves, our loved ones, and others.

As the end of another year nears, may the spirit of the Season bring each of us peace and joy and may we look forward to a happy, healthy, and safe new year.

Call me for information about our Neighborhood Watch Program. **Debbie Muller: 941.355.5743**

SAFETY TIPS:

- * Lock doors and close windows of house and vehicle.
- * Don't place gifts or valuables in direct sight within home or vehicle.
- * Never leave weapons, keys, garage door opener or anything of value in vehicle.
- * Remember, thieves like easy targets!

OBSERVE THE SPEED LIMITS:

15 MPH in all school zones25 MPH throughout our neighborhood

HELPFUL NUMBERS

Sarasota Police Department:

Non-emergency 941/ 316-1199 or 316-1201
SPD Front Desk
Chief Bernadette DiPino 941/ 954-7002
Deputy Chief Pat Robinson
Officer Danny Robbins (Crime Prevention/Home Security
Surveys/ 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
Narcotics Hotline (anonymous)

REMINDER:

<u>City Ordinance No. 17-5209: Dogs must be leashed in all city parks, except designated dog parks.</u>

For a complete explanation and better understanding of the Amended Code (Chapter 8, Article II), including exact provisions, penalties for violations, and the possibility for creating designated enclosed areas for dogs within parks, please read the ordinance. The Ordinance can be found at:

http://www.ibssa.ws/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/City-Dog-Ordinance-No.-17-5209.pdf

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

IBSS CRIME REPORT: JANUARY 1 - NOVEMBER 30

(Approximate totals)	2017	2016
Burglary / Structure	14	16
Burglary / Vehicle	15	42
Motor Vehicle Theft	00	04
Robbery	01	01

For Your Information: The Sarasota Police Department's Street Crimes Unit continues to conduct undercover operations targeting illicit activity occurring along the Tamiami Trail. There were 60 arrests for prostitution as of 11/30/17 compared to 47 arrests last year as of 11/30/16.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH COORDINATORS

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941-920-3967 SRODRIFTWOOD@GMAIL.COM 840 41st ST Sarasota,Florida 34234 A few months ago, this poem was anonymously posted at each entrance to Sapphire Shores Park. Many of the dog lovers in our neighborhood enjoyed reading it, and it was submitted for the Newsletter. A quick online search lists Taylor Mali as a Brooklyn-based poet and educator who teaches spoken word workshops.

FALLING IN LOVE IS LIKE OWNING A DOG

By Taylor Mali

On cold winter nights, love is warm. It lies between you and lives and breathes and makes funny noises.

Love can wake you up all hours of the night with its needs.

Love can give you a sense of security:

When you're walking down the street late at night

and you have a leash on love,

no one is going to mess with you.

Love needs to be fed so it will grow and stay healthy.

Love does not like being left alone for long.

But come home and love is always happy to see you.

Love may break a few things accidentally in its passion for life, $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left$

but you can never be mad at love for long.

Love leaves you little surprises here and there.

Love makes messes.

Sometimes you just want to get love fixed.

Sometimes you want to roll up a piece of newspaper

and swat love on the nose,

But then love gives you big kisses,

And you laugh at the little things.

Sometimes love just wants to play.

Running you around the block, leaving you panting.

It pulls you in several different directions at once,

or winds around and around you,

until you're all wound up and can't move.

And love brings you together.

People who have nothing in common but love

stop and talk and greet each other on the street. Most importantly, love needs love, and lots of it.

And in return, love loves you and loves you and never stops.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturdays

Yoga in Sapphire Shores Park (see pg. 6)

December 22, 2017

5th Annual Holiday Caroling (see pg. 7)

December 31, 2017

Applications/payments due for Art Festival

January 4, February 1, & March 1, 2018

IBSSA Board Meetings

January 27-28, 2018
Annual IBSSA Yard Sale (see pg. 6)

March 3, 2018

Sixth Annual Sun Circle Art Festival

FEBRUARY 8TH: Submission Deadline for February 2018 Issue

