INDIAN BEACH - SAPPHIRE SHORES ASSOC.

SATURDAY MARCH 3: 10AM-5PM SAPPHIRE SHORES PARK

Sun Circle Art Festival

On July 8, 2009, airline pilot ANDREW MISNER was stopped at a light on University Parkway on his way home from a quick trip to the grocery store. He reached down to adjust the radio and



MISNER

barely three seconds later he looked into his rear view mirror and saw an SUV bearing down on him. In Andrew's words, "In that moment I knew I was going to die." The SUV was traveling at approximately 70 miles an hour. No evidence was found of an attempt to brake. Andrew's classic Porsche 911

was flattened. Somehow he survived. But it was a long road back. Art became a fulcrum in that journey.

"There were a lot of angry paintings at first; a lot of red, a lot of storm." At the same time, he found solace in the work of the Florida Highwaymen, African American self-taught landscape artists. Andrew Misner gradually turned his hand and mind to languid vistas and from that beginning found his way to a kind of sophisticated peace. His work now ranges from Monet influenced flora to modernist mixed media using

acrylic, oil, 3-dimensional objects and spray paint. Lately he's been making guitars and mounting them in picture frames. "They're still fully functional."

For BARBARA ARCHER BALDWIN

there were no such crossroads. She's been creating art all her life. "I have had an extensive classical art education and teach pastels weekly at the North Port Art Center." She is a Signature Member of the Pastel Society of America, the oldest and most prestigious pastel society in America. Barbara's booth at the Arts Festival "will be filled with luscious landscapes, still lifes, and some figural "story paintings." She will also be demonstrating her technique during the day. "I am passionate about expanding the awareness of and appreciation



BALDWIN

for this wonderful ancient medium. Just ask me!!!"

Barbara's husband JOHN E. BALDWIN, a professional fine art photographer will share the booth and be exhibiting his wildlife and nature prints. The couple will also have on hand copies of their book *Through Our Eyes*.

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Doggie bags	\$
Other	\$
Total Enclosed	\$
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This Newsletter is published four times a year for all 1,200 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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MAY 29, 2018: SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR JUNE ISSUE

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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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Andrew Misner and the Baldwins are just a few of the more than sixty artists who will be exhibiting their works at the Art Festival. In addition to pastel, watercolor, acrylic, digitized media, oil paintings, and collage there will be artists who create in more 3-dimensional media.

DEBBIE GRIFFIN designs jewelry using precious metals and other materials. "I like using stones and sea glass and my own paintings in my creations." Her wrapped-in-silver and gold pendants, earrings, and pins are stunning works of art; each a unique reflection of nature and the artist's perspective. Griffin is "inspired to make jewelry that will be treasured for a lifetime."



GRIFFIN



BEHRSING

Three other jewelers will also be on hand at the Festival: ANNE BEHRSING describes her hand-made sterling silver and gold pieces as a "marriage of metals, an intricate process similar to fine wood inlays, creating striped and checkerboard patterns using the lost wax casting technique." She brings almost 30 years experience to her designs.

NANCY BURKE offers one-of-a-kind handcrafted intricately beaded works; earrings, necklaces and other items to be snatched up. She has been creating jewelry, teaching, and participating in art/craft shows in Florida for more than 18 years.



BURKE



OMMEN

But perhaps most interesting is the "jewelry" created by ASHLEY OMMEN.
Ashley describes her work as "upcycled or repurposed bottlecaps that I turn into unique jewelry. I hammer each cap using an anvil and hammers, as well as pliers, to shape the bottlecaps into earrings and jewelry. My work is about finding beauty in the waste and taking trash and turning it into treasure."

ASTRID FRERICH, a German-born fashion designer will be offering one-of-a-kind haute couture designs, fashion for kids, ornaments, and tea towels. A neighborhood resident like Misner, Frerich began her career designing for Rene Lange, Louis Vuitton, and MCM but was drawn to Sarasota because of the sun and the beautiful environment. She takes pride in the individuality of her work and the quality of her fabrics. "In the



FRERICH

12 years I have been designing for my own customers, I have never done a dress twice." The fashion cognoscenti here know Astrid of Sarasota. The Sun Circle Arts Festival is an opportunity to savor and perhaps own one of her designs.

Also in the 3-D category, porcelain ceramic sculpture by DOROTHEA CALVERT: "My sculptural work demonstrates the



CALVERT

juxtaposition between organic and inorganic form, pattern, and texture. I hope to entice the viewer to interpret the object through their own personal filter...the dynamic nature of a familiar yet undefined form provides timeless pleasure and fascination." Calvert set out to be an artist from childhood but life got in the way. Three careers later, she took a class at Ringling College of Art & Design's continuing education program, something she encourages others to do. "Today I work in my home studio...and I am happiest during those quiet studio hours when time ceases to exist. I would not have known this happiness; I would not have known myself without the support and encouragement of the educators, the institutions, and the clay community who so generously share their knowledge."

PAT MOORE and her husband RICHARD can count themselves amongst that clay community. Residents of the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores area for more than 30 years, they take a team approach to their art. Pat comments, "My work is mostly functional with me making the ceramic pot and Richard turning the top in wood." The couple has participated in the Festival since



MOORE

the outset six years ago. "We both love this eclectic neighborhood for its diverse and friendly residents, architectural variety, majestic tree canopy, proximity to the Bay, and multitude of cultural and educational institutions. What's not to like?"



SEABOYER

LISA SEABOYER would agree. She is the Assistant Manager at the *madeby Gallery* on the campus of Ringling College and has had a long career working in local galleries. She'll have a variety of items in her booth, *Great Finds 4 You*. These include ribbon scarves, neckrings, fine crafts, and home décor items.

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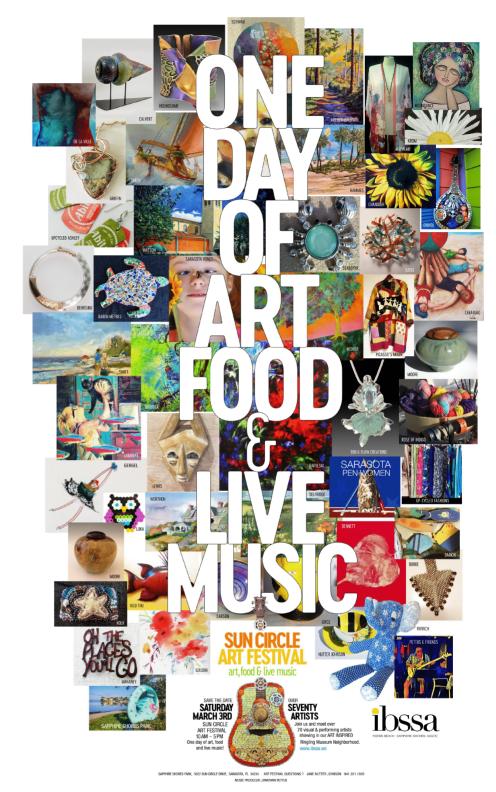
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There will even be an authors' booth with members of the Sarasota chapter of the National League of American Pen Women on hand. Notably, prolific author BRENDA M. SPALDING will be signing books. Illustrator DIANE WORTHEN will be showing her children's picture books and will have available prints from original paintings as well as greeting cards.

It's a laid-back inclusive festival with food and day-long music. The quality is unparalleled. Sun Circle is part of the Sapphire Shores neighborhood just south of The Ringling Museum and just minutes from the Ringling College of Art & Design. Representative artists work in textiles, metal, pastels, porcelain, watercolors, mixed media, and so much more. The neighborhood turns out to help; and even the yarn-bombed trees share the spirit. There will be ample parking. This is not a kitsch fair; bring your pocketbook, the artists are prepared to sell and prices are in range. Be prepared to be "spoilt for choice" and to have the opportunity to connect with those who bring a force for creative good to the world.

Leandra Little, 201.988.8510, llittle9@earthlink.net





Art Festival Performance Schedule 10:00am-5:00pm

10:00 - 11:00 Julien Roth Mallet Jazz
11:00 - 12:00 Ron White Singer/Guitar
12:00 - 1:00 Washbaer Progressive Rock
1:00 - 2:00 Zen Seraphine Violin/Percussion Dud
2:00 - 3:00 Jett & Frenz Con-Fusion
3:00 - 4:00 Taylor Opie Singer/Guitar
4:00 - 5:00 Reckless Deriver Rock

HIGHLIGHTS OF RECENT EVENTS

Holiday Party

IBSSA Residents of all ages came together for a family-friendly holiday gathering at Sapphire Shores Park on Sunday, December 17, 2017. Everyone enjoyed the build-your-own hot chocolate buffet, festive caroling led by our in-house caroling expert Carol Pettengill, and creative holiday ornaments were made! Bon Fehling inspired our youngest neighbors with a variety of rather impressive up-cycle ornament crafts. If you would like to volunteer for next year's holiday party, are interested in providing entertainment, or know how to get in touch with Santa for a visit, please contact Maegan at maegano@gmail.com. For more information regarding Bon's fabulous neighborhood Art Camp, please call 941.355.1490. Maegan Collin, maegano@gmail.com

See Holiday Party and Yard Sale Photos on Page 11

Annual IBSSA Yard Sale

This year's Yard Sale was held on January 27-28, 2018. There was a clear blue sky on Saturday for the first day of the sale. It was slightly chilly but warmed up throughout the day. The number of participants registered, once again, exceeded 50+ IBSSA households. Late registrants did not make the yard sale map, but buyers were able to follow the yard sale signs leading them to the houses. I want to thank Jack Wooster for designing the yard sale map, as customers always comment that ours is the best neighborhood sale which is evidenced by the hundreds of shoppers who attend this great event.

Since I could not control the weather for Sunday, the skies darkened and the rain came down late morning/early afternoon which curtailed many households from setting up their wares, but still shoppers came and those who set up their wares were able to have some last minute sales.

Start collecting for next year's yard sale to be held on Saturday and Sunday, January 26-27, 2019. Thank you to all who participated in the 2018 yard sale.

Monica Neligon, Yard Sale Chair, 941-355-5918, svlivinggrace@hotmail.com

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Annual Egg Hunt

Mark your calendars for IBSSA's 2nd Annual Egg Hunt at Sun Circle Park on **Saturday March 24th, 10AM**

Children of all ages are invited to participate. Children should bring baskets to collect prize-filled eggs...and parents bring your cameras!

Please email me if you are able to contribute an hour of your time to help with setup. Volunteers interested in face painting or dressing up as a bunny strongly encouraged to apply!

Maegan Collin, maegano@gmail.com

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President's Corner

Dear Neighbors,

Wow, what a neighborhood!

Recently, a longtime resident went missing. The police responded in force with helicopters, boats, and multiple officers. The word got out

from the police and it spread quickly throughout the neighborhood. The good news is that he was found in good health, he had just taken a very long walk away from what was familiar.

The neighborhood cohesiveness was amazing. People were swarming everywhere with flashlights, checking their back yards, driving slowly through the darker streets. They checked retail businesses on the trail. Everyone was concerned about our neighbor, not afraid to chat with others or even ask to help check their back yards. *This is what we do for each other.*

Membership.

In the recent past, the president of IBSSA has sent a letter (snail mail) to all residents of our neighborhood asking for their annual dues. This year, we are asking via the newsletter which is even a bit slower. The \$20 annual membership is due January 1. If you have paid and pay again we add another year to your paid status.

Several activities throughout the year are sponsored by IBSSA; the Picnic, Yard Sale, Easter Egg Hunt, Holiday Caroling, Holiday Crafts, Yoga, and of course the Sun Circle Art Festival which will be held this year on March 3rd, from 10am-5pm at Sapphire Shores Park. (See Art Festival details on Page 4.)

An additional benefit which current members have already received is the IBSSA member discount card. Over 14 retailers are offering discounts for IBSSA members only. Pay your membership and you will get your family's card in the mail. One dinner with guests (discounted) could easily pay for your \$20 membership. Renters and part time residents are welcome.

The easiest way to pay is on-line at www.ibssa.ws. Otherwise, mail your check with local address and email to IBSSA, PO Box 49673, Sarasota, FL 34230.

Thank you for being a great neighbor, thank you for taking the extra step to be a member. Sincerely yours,

Jane Nutter Johnson President IBSSA janenutter@aol.com



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Real Estate Update

The season is upon us and properties have been selling at an expected rate. There have been 13 Sales (Closings) in the four months since our last update. This average of about three sales a month is rather typical for our neighborhood and they ranged from a low of \$159,000 to a high of \$975,000.

This range may change by the time our next report is generated because three of our six current Pending deals are over \$1,000,000. In addition to these higher prices, 12 of our 33 Actively listed properties are over \$1,000,000.

I'm not sure I have ever reported that 35% of our Active Listings are over \$1,000,000 and 50% of our Pending Listings are over \$1,000,000. Sales in these price ranges will elevate average values all over the neighborhood, possibly making online valuation tools even less accurate than they are today. Websites like Zillow and Trulia provide a tremendous amount of valuable information, but the more diverse a neighborhood, the less likely the property values presented will be accurate. The next time you check your property value on Zillow be sure and find the "fine print" which discloses the Confidence Score. I've often pointed out these low confidence scores and suggest they are a factor of diversity.

If your \$250,000 home sits a block away from one of these \$1,000,000 sales, Zillow will capture this data and feed it in to the value of your home. This is something an Appraiser or Real Estate Broker would never do but Zillow cannot pick and choose comparable properties. What Zillow can do is recognize the disparity and lower the Confidence Score.

The most accurate market value of your home can be generated by a licensed Appraiser or a Real Estate Broker. These computations will involve properties most similar to yours and provide relevant data to determine value, probable selling price, and trends in value (up or down).

In conclusion, I am often asked "How can I improve the value of my home?" or "What are the best home improvements to spend my money on?" To answer this question I refer to what we call a 4 POINT INSPECTION. Most Buyers are going to be getting insurance. An insurance company will require an inspection report. The report typically provided is very minimal and called a 4 Point Inspection. The 4 Points insurance companies are interested in are:

- 1. Condition of the roof and expected remaining useful life.
- 2. Condition of the Electrical System.
- 3. Condition of the Plumbing System.
- 4. Condition of the Heating & Air Conditioning System.

It's a safe bet any "design oriented" improvements you are thinking of will not contribute much value and will quite possibly appear dated in a short amount of time. Design improvements should be FOR YOU and your own enjoyment but the "safe money" is in the basics.

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You won't find any shows on HGTV about a 4 Point Inspection because it's not real sexy, but staying on top of these items could make an eventual sale go more smoothly and be much more profitable.

David Jennings, Broker Associate, Coldwell Banker Real Estate

PROPERTIES: Active, Pending, and Sold (December 12, 2017 - February 11, 2018)

Status Address	SqFt	Price	Bed	Bath
ACT 847 41ST ST	1,248	215,000	2	1/1
ACT 3510 IROQUOIS AVE	1,905	219,000	3	2/0
ACT 744 42ND ST	887	255,000	2	1/0
ACT 4103 SARASOTA AVE	1,276	295,000	3	2/1
ACT 710 40TH ST				
ACT 1064 VIRGINIA DR				
ACT 1044 VIRGINIA DR				
ACT 630 47TH ST				
ACT 452 SAPPHIRE DR				
ACT 660 CORWOOD DR				
ACT 4845 BRYWILL CIR				
ACT 2434 HICKORY AVE				
ACT 3926 BAY SHORE RD				
ACT 603 42ND ST				
ACT 770 41ST ST				
ACT 5136 WINCHESTER DR				
ACT 3224 BAY SHORE RD				
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ACT 924 INDIAN BEACT DIX				
ACT 602 BELLORA WAY				
ACT 3970 BAY SHORE RD	,	, ,		
ACT 444 ACACIA DR				
ACT 361 S SHORE DR				
ACT 4831 BAY SHORE RD				
ACT 710 INDIAN BEACH CIR				
ACT 5021 BRYWILL CIR				
ACT 3127 BAY SHORE RD				
ACT 305 RINGLING POINT				
ACT 3221 BAY SHORE RD				
ACT 2309 ALAMEDA AVE	7,434	3,900,000	5	7/1
ACT 929 ALAMEDA WAY	9,067	6,950,000	6	6/1
ACT 3315 BAY SHORE RD	- 11,067	7,995,000	6	7/2
PNC 902 32ND ST				
PNC 3724 NORWOOD CT	966	189,000	2	2/0
PNC 838 HIGHLAND ST	1,352	315,000	2	1/0
PNC 580 BELLORA WAY	2,957	1,250,000	3	3/0
PNC 636 INDIAN BEACH LN	3,392	1,645,000	3	3/0
PNC 4035 BAY SHORE RD				
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SLD 911 MYRTLE ST	795	159.000	2	1/0
SLD 3729 IROQUOIS AVE				
SLD 1004 22ND ST				
SLD 3515 CHAPEL DR		*		
SLD 938 HIGHLAND ST				
SLD 5028 EASTCHESTER DR				
SLD 5001 STEVENS DR				
SLD 663 CORWOOD DR				
SLD 511 45TH ST				
SLD 4640 LEETA LN				
SLD 669 45TH ST				
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Consider Donating.

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Clean and Green.

Jack Wooster, ibssagreenspace@gmail.com

Greenspace has an active partnership with The City of Sarasota. Participate in the City of Sarasota Parks Master Plan Survey. The City of Sarasota would like your input to help determine park and recreation priorities for our community. This online survey is available for anyone and everyone who is interested in providing their input. Parks and Recreation facilities contribute significantly to your quality of life, and your opinions are very important to us. Please complete this brief survey at:

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GAME NIGHT WITH THE GIRLS

Photos From Readers



TOP: From left; Elena De La Ville, Elizabeth Bergmann, Jane Nutter Johnson, Jessica Masterson, Mette Soderberg.

RIGHT: From left; Elena De La Ville and Elizabeth Bergmann. Submitted by Amanda Mason







Neighborhood Watch News

A new year often evokes memories of times past and encourages new hopes and aspirations for today and the future. The ability and willingness to strive for and achieve goals and reach meaningful milestones, no doubt, requires a steadfast determination to succeed. The support of family and friends is an added bonus as is the opportunity to live in safe, nurturing surroundings. Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores is such a place and a wonderful neighborhood to call home.

Concern for the well-being of one another is demonstrated by caring IBSSA residents each and every day. Our absolute resolve to keep families safe by reporting suspicious and criminal activity to the police, informing each other of crimes committed in the area, and alerting neighbors about the potential for crime (descriptions of suspects, vehicles, etc.) has helped deter criminal activity in our neighborhood. (See Crime Report.)

The ongoing commitment by residents to preserve and protect the beauty, tranquility, security, and truly unique qualities of our neighborhood is what makes living in Sarasota's Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores so very special. To all a happy, healthy, and safe 2018!

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

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(Approximate totals)	2017	2016
Burglary / Structure	13	21
Burglary / Vehicle	20	46
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March 1, April 5, May 3, & June 7, 2018

IBSSA Board Meetings: 7pm

March 3, 2018

Sixth Annual Sun Circle Art Festival: 10am-5pm

March 24, 2018

2nd Annual Egg Hunt: 10am

MAY 29TH: Submission Deadline for June 2018 Issue

