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INDIAN BEACH – SAPPHIRE SHORES ASSOC.

## ANNUAL PICNIC

Sunday  
November 11, 2018  
1-4pm

Caples Mansion  
Bayfront  
5313 Bay Shore Rd  
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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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## President's Corner

The temperature is starting to drop to almost comfortable. The dolphins are back; the fish are jumping in the Bay. I realize there is not an easy answer, but we need to keep researching for the Red Tide cure, even if it is temporarily gone.

IBSSA's annual picnic will be held on November 11th from 1-4pm. All members are invited (you can renew or join at the door \$20). Many neighbors use the picnic as the opportunity to pay the next calendar year dues. Consider paying online at [ibssa.ws](http://ibssa.ws) to make check-in easier at the picnic. See more information in the next column.

Many of our sunset park visitors are from elsewhere, please welcome them. It is amazing how many stories I hear from new neighbors about first seeing our special place from a visit for the sunset. Mr. Rogers, who my sons grew up watching, had it right. "A good chat leads to great exchanges."

**Jane Nutter Johnson, President IBSSA**  
[janenutter@aol.com](mailto:janenutter@aol.com),

## IBSSA Annual Yard Sale

Saturday-Sunday, January 26-27, 2019;  
9am-3pm

The Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday January 26th and Sunday January 27th, 2019 from 9am to 3pm both days.



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.

The items sold are representative and/or mimic the style of our eclectic museum area. Buyers love this event and come every year.

*YARD SALE continued on next column*

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

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

Maps listing all participants will be provided. You can also sign up at the Annual Picnic on November 11th.

**Questions: call Monica Neligon, IBSSA Yard Sale Chair at 941.355.5918 or [svlivinggrace@hotmail.com](mailto:svlivinggrace@hotmail.com)**

## IBSSA Annual Picnic

Sunday, November 11th, 1 - 4pm

New College Caples Mansion Bayfront

5313 Bay Shore Rd

It's a "Beach Party" theme this year and it's free for current IBSSA members. Membership is open to all homeowners and renters living in the IBSSA neighborhood; \$20 per residence. You can join at the picnic (cash, check, or credit card) or easy online pay at [www.ibssa.ws](http://www.ibssa.ws).



Attend this fun event and meet your neighbors while listening to great music (provided by D.J. Patrick "Bossman" Lavender) and picnic fare with Sharon Carr serving up Bratwurst (both meat and vegetarian). Please bring a dish of your own to share.

There will be auction options with THREE ways to have even more fun during the picnic.

- \* Chinese Raffle tickets are only \$1 for your choice of baskets donated by our local businesses and friends.
- \* Enter the 50/50 drawing.
- \* Silent Auction for items donated by our community.

**Auction questions/volunteer: Call Elise Manieri at 215.378.0684**

Donation boxes will be available to give to All Faith Food Drive and Electronic Junk benefiting National Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

If you can volunteer to help for an hour or two with the picnic set up, break down, food table, auctions, or in other areas, we would love to hear from you and greatly appreciate it. **Picnic questions/volunteer: Contact Jessica Masterson at [sweetiemast@gmail.com](mailto:sweetiemast@gmail.com) or 208.661.2709**



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## Bay Haven Food Forest Tour Scheduled for Eat Local Week

Saturday, October 20th, 12-2pm

Come tour the permaculture food forest at Bay Haven Elementary, 2901 West Tamiami Circle, on Saturday, October 20, 2018 from 12:00-2:00 PM as part of Transition Sarasota's Eighth Annual Eat Local Week. (See details at <http://www.transitionsrq.org/>)

Eat Local Week, Transition Sarasota's popular annual celebration of local food includes a mix of farm to table meals, tours of farms and food operations, and educational events covering a range of topics, from permaculture and urban gardening to sustainable aquaculture.

Bay Haven's food forest is an edible landscape that also provides a rich and engaging outdoor learning space for the kindergarten through fifth grade students at the school. Designed and planted using permaculture principles, this innovative green space is a natural fit for Eat Local Week. Permaculture is defined as permanent agriculture. It is a way to design our world so that we can care for people at the same time as we care for the earth, in a way that is abundant and fair for everyone. The tour will give visitors an opportunity to see how these innovative practices have been realized in an elementary school setting.

For more information please contact Rolf Hanson at [rolf.hanson@sarasotacountyschools.net](mailto:rolf.hanson@sarasotacountyschools.net)

## Yoga in the Park



Join us for Bayside yoga at Sapphire Shores-Sun Circle Park (north end) every Saturday from 10-11:30am. Enjoy beautiful views, a gentle breeze, and our fabulous instructor, Helen.

Re-energize for the nominal cost of approximately \$7.00 per class. Bring a blanket and exercise mat. **Questions: Elise at 215.378.0684 (text)**

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## “Melville”

Since childhood I’ve had an odd reverence for almost anything “antique”. I grew up in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania which, at the time, was the country’s steel capital and a major railroad hub.

The year I was born my Dad bought a Lionel steam engine for my Christmas present and as the years passed we built increasingly complex train displays for the holidays. My sophomore year in high school we moved to New York City where I finished school, worked, and eventually met my wife Bonni. As our careers progressed my train collection got packed away in various attics where we lived and when I was in my 50s the train bug bit me again. Living in Los Angeles at the time, I started visiting local train stores and greatly increased my collection. As retirement approached we started to design our home here in Sarasota and I committed a large amount of square footage (more than Bonni really wanted) to my dream train layout.

Across a 35-foot room, you can now travel coast to coast from Wall Street to the Hollywood Hills! And getting back to that reverence for antiques, the layout is themed to take place in 1950 with all of the buildings, trains, cars, buses, and trucks of that era. It is built on a platform that I can walk on suspended 45” over the floor, has three main train lines, 18 switches, and a central train station that holds 16 steam and diesel locomotives. I’ve incorporated three different scenery scales across the landscape in order to give the illusion of greater distance. Underneath the platform is over 800 feet of wiring which many times left me with a very sore neck during the four year construction.

Some of our friends dubbed the railroad “Melville” and it stuck. Truth be known, I don’t think I’ll ever actually finish this project, but I plan to share it more and more with our community as time goes by.

**Mel Harner, Winchester Drive**



# Submissions for Real Estate Update Column

The IBSSA Board of Directors changed the Newsletter *Real Estate Update* to allow for the opportunity of different Realtors to write the column for each issue. Every September, a Realtor drawing will be held for the next four issues. To qualify, a realtor must be active in real estate, live in IBSS neighborhood, be an IBSSA member, and have advertised in this Newsletter at least once in the previous Season.

All Realtors (and all other businesses) can purchase advertising for any issue. Please see page 2 of this Newsletter for advertising costs and sizes.

I extend a big “thank you” to David Jennings, who has graciously submitted the content for this column over the past six years that I have volunteered as Editor.

If you are a Realtor and interested in being included in next September’s drawing, please email me to receive a copy of the new policy.

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# Real Estate Update From Linda Thompson

September 30, 2018

It’s still summer, only later. Sunny. A bit hot and humid. Throughout our neighborhood you’ll find beautiful shades of green in the foliage, lovely sounds of the birds, and smiling neighbors out walking despite our assorted challenges. We live in a great place! (Surely you agree.)

This Real Estate Update provides limited detail about 64 IBSSA residential listings. There are 38 properties currently for sale. This is a modest increase in active listings since our last report. (FYI: five of these are “under construction” in the Houses of Indian Beach subdivision.) Prices range from \$269,900 to \$6,950,000. On average, these properties have been on the market for 176 days.

In the sale pending category, there are four properties. This is a decrease from the previous nine. The prices range from \$249,000 to \$600,000. There are statistics indicating that September was a bit less active. Not to worry, our overall market place and, more specifically our neighborhood, is a place where people want to live. Yes, we list and sell properties all year.

Wanting to live/own in our neighborhood is evident. New owners recently “closed” on 22 residential properties. The prices ranged from \$196,000 to \$1,400,000. I and my colleagues are confident this trend will continue.

Also noteworthy – none of the properties for sale and sale pending are “distressed” – bank-owned or short sale. Furthermore, only one of the solds was bank-owned.

A look back a decade after the financial crisis . . . all signs point that we are getting back to the middle.

### In September 2008

30 Year fixed 6.16%

Bank market share 50% (Taxi)

Non-Bank market share 12% (Uber)

Poor Regulation

No Doc loans

Excessive flipping

No down payment loans

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**Now in September 2018**  
 30 Year fixed 4.72%  
 Bank market share 12% (Taxi)  
 Non-Bank market share 54% (uber)  
 Consumer centric Regulation  
 Technology verified loans  
 Moderate flipping  
 Low down payment loans

As you most likely know, the best time to buy or sell residential property is when it helps you reach your goals. I wish us all sparks of joy.

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**PROPERTIES: Active, Pending, and Sold  
 (May 28, 2018 - September 30, 2018)**

Status	Address	Bed	Bath	Sq Ft	Price
ACT	3510 IROQUOIS AVE	3	2	1,905	\$269,900
ACT	1044 VIRGINIA DR	1	1	720	\$299,000
ACT	744 CORWOOD DR	2	2	1,496	\$299,000
ACT	1064 VIRGINIA DR	2	1	1,076	\$299,000
ACT	630 47TH ST	3	2	1,400	\$335,000
ACT	4722 REMINGTON DR	2	2	1,340	\$350,000
ACT	868 PATTERSON DR	2	2	1,424	\$398,500
ACT	825 TENNESSEE LN	3	2	1,526	\$399,000
ACT	5021 WINCHESTER DR	3	2	1,176	\$449,000
ACT	1039 23RD ST	3	2	1,536	\$449,900
ACT	844 PATTERSON DR	3	2	1,348	\$469,000
ACT	511 45TH ST	3	2	1,796	\$469,900
ACT	981 CALOOSA DR	3	3	1,838	\$559,000
ACT	575 N SHORE DR	2	2	1,488	\$699,000
ACT	418 SAPPHERE DR	3	2	1,724	\$719,000
ACT	3814 IROQUOIS AVE	4	3	2,070	\$729,000

PROPERTIES continued on next column

Status	Address	Bed	Bath	Sq Ft	Price
ACT	1062 CALOOSA DR	3	2	1,898	\$775,000
ACT	412 S SHORE DR	4	4	2,760	\$799,000
ACT	722 BELLORA WAY	4	2	2,607	\$829,900
ACT	587 BELLORA WAY	4	2	2,716	\$840,900
ACT	941 VIRGINIA DR	4	3	2,773	\$850,000
ACT	411 S SHORE DR	4	3	2,414	\$875,000
ACT	602 BELLORA WAY	3	2	2,344	\$921,000
ACT	3970 BAY SHORE RD	3	3	2,418	\$984,000
ACT	597 BELLORA WAY	4	3	3,052	\$990,900
ACT	2833 BAY SHORE CIR	3	2	2,974	\$1,050,000
ACT	612 BELLORA WAY	3	2	2,696	\$1,150,000
ACT	978 VIRGINIA DR	6	5	4,364	\$1,190,000
ACT	587 47TH ST	3	3	3,044	\$1,289,000
ACT	335 S SHORE DR	3	2	2,791	\$1,290,000
ACT	3500 BAY SHORE RD	4	4	3,047	\$1,350,000
ACT	3127 BAY SHORE RD	3	3	3,454	\$1,999,990
ACT	5021 BRYWILL CIR	5	5	5,054	\$2,350,000
ACT	337 N SHORE DR	6	3	4,839	\$2,400,000
ACT	300 RINGLING POINT DR	3	4	2,920	\$2,700,000
ACT	2145 ALAMEDA AVE	5	4	6,439	\$4,280,000
ACT	2211 ALAMEDA AVE	5	5	6,822	\$6,250,000
ACT	929 ALAMEDA WAY	5	6	9,067	\$6,950,000
PND	850 WINDSOR DR	3	2	802	\$249,000
PND	955 PATTERSON DR	3	2	1,568	\$254,000
PND	2238 ALAMEDA AVE	2	2	1,811	\$499,000
PND	3800 BAY SHORE RD	3	2	1,980	\$600,000
SLD	847 41ST ST	2	2	1,248	\$196,000
SLD	3500 CHAPEL DR	2	1	1,140	\$214,000
SLD	3510 IROQUOIS AVE	3	2	1,905	\$225,000
SLD	4920 EASTCHESTER DR	2	2	1,668	\$235,000
SLD	4103 SARASOTA AVE	3	2	1,276	\$254,000
SLD	866 32ND ST	2	2	1,074	\$250,000
SLD	943 PATTERSON DR	3	2	1,382	\$270,000
SLD	771 INDIAN BEACH CIR	3	2	1,819	\$305,000
SLD	452 SAPPHERE DR	2	2	1,597	\$310,000
SLD	425 SAPPHERE DR	2	1	1,038	\$315,000
SLD	4724 EASTCHESTER DR	3	2	1,674	\$389,000
SLD	4845 BRYWILL CIR	2	2	1,648	\$380,000
SLD	3926 BAY SHORE RD	3	2	1,498	\$439,000
SLD	3001 BAY SHORE CIR	2	2	2,067	\$473,400
SLD	741 INDIAN BEACH LN	3	2	1,610	\$490,000
SLD	351 N SHORE DR	3	2	2,502	\$550,000
SLD	603 42ND ST	2	3	1,466	\$590,000
SLD	770 41ST ST	3	3	3,000	\$618,000
SLD	2814 W TAMIAMI CIR	3	2	1,996	\$650,000
SLD	924 INDIAN BEACH DR	3	2	2,974	\$720,000
SLD	361 S SHORE DR	3	3	3,049	\$1,200,000
SLD	710 INDIAN BEACH CIR	5	5	3,084	\$1,400,000

Information from Multiple Listing Data Base. Submitted by  
 Linda Thompson, Realtor® - Michael Saunders & Company

# Greenspace News

Greenspace News keeps our neighborhood informed about local Habitat Improvement, Water Quality, Environmental Education Initiatives and ongoing projects. Greenspace News is sent electronically as a PDF file to anyone who supplies their email.

[ibssagreenspace@gmail.com](mailto:ibssagreenspace@gmail.com)

**Consider Donating: Funds raised go directly to planting.** Greenspace is paid for with volunteer donations. Every little bit helps our neighborhood flourish. Make your check payable to and mail to IBSSA, PO Box 49673, Sarasota, FL 34230. Please write in the memo line "Greenspace".

**Clean and Green**

**Jack Wooster, [ibssagreenspace@gmail.com](mailto:ibssagreenspace@gmail.com)**



**Indian Beach Park Living Shoreline Project**

**Who we are and what we propose**  
A collaborative group composed of Mote Marine Laboratory's Fisheries Forum Sub-committee of Coastal Restoration, the University of Florida's Sea Grant, The Sarasota Bay Foundation, The Ringling College of Art and Design and IBSS Resident neighbors seeks to develop a restoration project at the Indian Beach Park.

**The Issue**  
The articulated concrete blocks along the Indian Beach Park shoreline are damaged from storms and wave action. Additionally, this area lacks vegetation that provides habitat for bay creatures.

The focus of the project is to increase shoreline protection and improve the overall aesthetic of the park. Such protection will be developed by strategic plantings of native species along the water's edge. As the plants grow they will increase bank stabilization and mitigate wave action. They will also provide habitat for juvenile fishes, crustaceans, birds, and other organisms important to bay health.

This initiative is designed to encourage a more environmentally diverse park for the continued enjoyment of residents and visitors.

Indian Beach Park Collaborative  
Questions: Alison Albee, [alison@sarasotabayfdn.org](mailto:alison@sarasotabayfdn.org)

*The Indian Beach Park Collaborative Group seeks to inform IBSS neighbors and gain their support for the project*

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INDIAN BEACH - SAPPHIRE SHORES ASSOC.

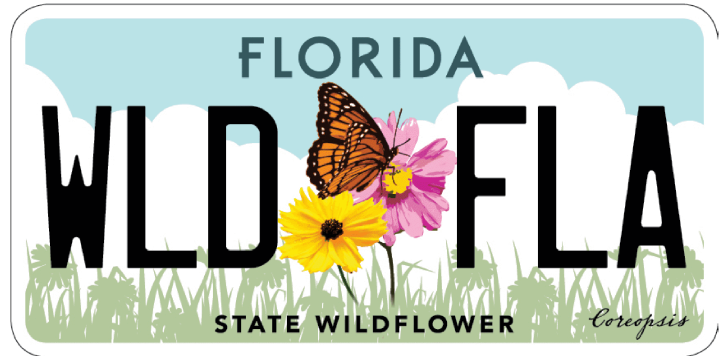
**Red Mangrove**  
*Rhizophora mangle*  
Photo: Dennis Guard

**Black Mangrove**  
*Avicennia germinans*  
Photo: Dennis Guard

**White Mangrove**  
*Laguncularia racemosa*  
Photo: T. Ann Williams

## Indian Beach Park Living Shoreline nominated for the "Keep Sarasota County Beautiful Award"

The Indian Beach Living Shoreline Project is moving forward. Endorsed by the IBSSA Board and recently nominated by the Sarasota County Neighborhood Environmental Stewardship Team (NEST) for the "Keep Sarasota County Beautiful Award".



## New Florida State Wildflower License Plate Available in November

Feed butterflies, birds, and bees - get the State Wildflower license plate. It's just a phone call away. Visit [www.FlaWildflowers.org](http://www.FlaWildflowers.org) to learn more.



**RED TIDE**  
**15 THINGS YOU CAN DO TO PROTECT SARASOTA BAY AND YOUR BEST INTERESTS.** Attend the IBSSA Semi-Annual Meeting on December 6th at 7pm at Light of the World Church and hear guest speakers discuss Red Tide and Sarasota Bay Living Shorelines.



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# Saluting Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores

Living along the Manatee River and then on a wildlife reserve 25 miles inland, allowed Penelope and me to scout locations in enticing IBSS. Since we worked for colleges and museums, we were further attracted to these areas. Plus there is the beauty of walking to the bay.

While we really liked a Sapphire Shores dwelling, we love our Indian Beach purchase. Penelope admires the majestic trees and tropical plants, and I am pleased that we can see the outsized flamingos heralding the Marietta Museum of Art & Whimsy which showcases Florida artists. Proximity to the Asolo Theater and New College (New Music) is rewarding. This is true, too, for The Ringling Museum galleries and gardens as well as Ringling College exhibits.

Between Indian Beach and Sapphire Shores it is gratifying to view American flags standing near sports banners and peace signs. Pick up trucks and elegant sedans co-exist as well. Small wonder that noted musicians and artists live in our areas and that long-time Floridians welcome newcomers.

One of our noteworthy neighbors has been (re)building in Sarasota for 40 years. Ten years ago, he and his wife moved to Indian Beach because they fell for a well maintained house with tons of Mexican tiles, pretty landscaping, and an idyllic pool. They continue to renovate. Having just finished a stylish house just north of Sarasota Jungle Gardens and the Light of the World International Church, they are completing total reconstruction of a three bed, two bath, and one pool dwelling adjacent to the Whimsy Museum. What these restorers like best about the residences in our area is

that they range from century old “craftsman bungalows” to Mediterranean mansions, to modern glass houses. They say that this variety contributes to our neighborhoods’ personalities and sustains the “integrity” of IBSS. Only our first hurricane (Irma) made IBSS less enjoyable. The heartening fact, however, was that many neighbors rallied to rebuild and start even more improvements.

**Mack Goode, Chippawa Place**

The neighbors of Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores  
Dedicate this island to the memory of

**Alan and Isabel Lillie**

Whose tireless efforts to beautify this neighborhood  
are a legacy to be enjoyed by all for generations

DEDICATED 2018

Please join us  
Saturday, November 17, 10am  
For the dedication  
of “a special place” to long time neighbors  
Alan and Isabel Lillie

Alan Lillie passed away last Fall at age 94. He was instrumental in securing or purchasing many of the public art pieces in our neighborhood.

He speed walked early every morning for years, keeping track of what was happening (as well as keeping himself in terrific shape). The ceremony will be at the Island just west of 5100 Bay Shore Road.

Questions: Contact Jane Nutter Johnson  
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# Neighborhood Watch News

With the start of Fall comes the bounty of a beautiful season. In everything we do during this bustling time of year "safety first" should remain a top priority. Being aware of our surroundings at all times will help to keep ourselves and our families safe. Immediately alerting law enforcement whenever any unusual situation, suspicious person, or criminal activity is observed will better ensure the well being of us all.

See It, Hear It, Report It has been the Neighborhood Watch motto of Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighbors for 35 years and its importance cannot be over emphasized. Concern for one another among residents in neighborhoods throughout our nation, along with our joint efforts to reduce crime, makes the world a better place and this season truly a time of thanksgiving. For information about Neighborhood Watch, please call me. **Debbie Muller, 941.355.5743**

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH COORDINATORS

### **Sapphire I: (58th Street - 47th Street)**

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

### **Sapphire II (47th Street - Myrtle Street)**

Barbara Cherry-----941/ 355-2898 or

bcherrysrq@gmail.com

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

Fred & Joanne Gonet-----941/ 358-8529 or

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

Yvonne Lacey-----941/ 365-7063 or

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## 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 Pat Robinson ..... 941/ 954-7006

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** ..... 941/ 954-4125

**Narcotics Hotline** (anonymous)..... 941/ 954-7050

## PLEASE OBEY THE SPEED LIMITS:

**25 MPH throughout our neighborhood**

**15 MPH in all school zones.**

## SAFETY TIPS:

- \* Be aware of your surroundings, don't get distracted.
- \* Lock doors and close windows of your homes and vehicles.
- \* Close garage doors.
- \* Don't leave weapons, keys, garage door opener, or valuables in your vehicle.
- \* Valuables should not be left in plain sight through windows of your home or vehicle.

## IBSS CRIME REPORT:

**JANUARY 1 - OCTOBER 3**

(Approximate totals)	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Burglary / Structure .....	12 .....	11
Burglary / Vehicle .....	14 .....	15
Motor Vehicle Theft .....	03 .....	01
Robbery .....	01 .....	01

Note: Arrests made in two auto burglaries and one motor vehicle theft.

## CITYWIDE STATISTICS:

**JANUARY 1 - OCTOBER 3**

(Approximate totals)	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Burglary / Structure .....	235 .....	208
Burglary / Vehicle .....	251 .....	267
Motor Vehicle Theft .....	108 .....	70
Robbery .....	63 .....	60

## 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, and Alert your neighbors.

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## Photos From Readers



I live in the area of the neighborhood with the roaming peacocks. I recently captured this picture of a peahen and her chicks in my neighbor's yard.

Liz Leininger, Sarasota Avenue

## Discount Card

You may have heard about a **new benefit** for being a member of the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Association, our **Membership Discount Card!** IBSSA members are enjoying discounts to a growing list of local vendors. There is no additional fee for this card – it is just a new membership perk. The card may be used at local participating businesses for a discount off certain goods and services. For a current list, visit <http://www.ibssa.ws/ibssa-members-info/>. If you are a local business owner and would like to learn more about including your business in our neighborhood discount program, contact John Smith at [John@smithsold.com](mailto:John@smithsold.com).

**How do I get my card?** To become a current member just visit [www.ibssa.ws](http://www.ibssa.ws) and click on pay dues OR you can mail a check for \$20 to: IBSSA, PO Box 49673, Sarasota, FL 34230.

Maegan Ochoa

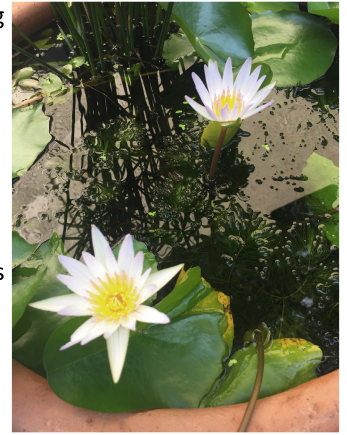
## Mini-Water Gardens

They are charming grace notes added to the landscape—mini-water gardens. No need for a large high-maintenance pond. Just find a pleasing container which can hold anywhere from a few gallons to 15 or 20, add gravel, fresh-water, a few plants and voila. Purchase your planter from any of a number of nearby importers or garden retailers. Repurposed containers work too. It just needs to be watertight and non-toxic.

Then find your location. Water lilies for the most part require full sun, at least 5 hours a day. But if a semi-shaded location is your only option, choose plants accordingly. Fill the bottom of the container with a layer of rinsed gravel or river rock and add water. Next, pay a visit to Marilyn Eigisti at Wonderful Water Lilies (WWL). A retired psychotherapist and professor, she will be your guru. Go to [www.wonderfulwaterlilies.com](http://www.wonderfulwaterlilies.com) and peruse the site, send a message, and make an appointment. Take along a photo of your desired location and your container. She will advise on what to plant and how to maintain it. On our visit to WWL we purchased a single N. 'Dauben' (WWL catalog price \$35.99) which



has very pale blue petals shading to darker tips with a deep gold center. While not the most spectacular water lily, it is ideal for container gardening. It reliably blooms every day and remains tame in a confined space. It is also cold-hardy and can withstand some of Sarasota's winter brushes with frosty temperatures. N. 'minuta' is also a good choice. According to the WWL website it's a "true miniature species. The flowers are about 2" in diameter with pink stripes on white background. The pads are green and spreads 1'-2'. This plant will bloom in sun or shade and above or under the water. An ideal plant for small container gardening." Marilyn notes too that, "Some of the medium size water lilies will also do well in a small container garden if planted in a small pot. The small pot limits the growth of the plant." While strolling around the nursery pools we noticed tiny fish scooting about: Gambusia. Marilyn included a few to add to our nascent tiny-pond. More commonly known as mosquito fish, these little guys have been living up to their name, doing exceedingly well and reproducing.



A few additional notes:

\* When topping up the water in your tiny-pond don't just turn the hose on. The chlorine is not good for the PH balance. Rather, fill a bucket, let the water rest overnight and the chemicals will evaporate away.

\* A small enough pond with the right amount of pond greens, plants and fish will be balanced so no need for a pump. A few small snails came along with the water lily. There's a lot about aquarium snails on the internet, good, bad and ugly. Ours seem to be under control doing their job of eating the algae. But I keep an eye out for a population boom. So far so good.

If your "pond" is too small to support fish or you're not so inclined, you can control mosquitos by adding a product like "Mosquito Beater" or "Mosquito Dunks." There are plenty of options on the market.



Enjoy your magical mini-water garden. Since they're pretty much maintenance free, part-time residents need only be concerned with maintaining water levels during absences. Our frequent summer thundershowers make that pretty easy. An occasional observation by a friendly neighbor to make sure everything's all right is a good idea too. In the spring pull the water lily's pot out and add fertilizer as per Marilyn.

I asked my friend Heidi what she likes about her tiny pond and she summed it up this way, "A flower every day!" Today, in ours, yes there was even a dragonfly. (Thanks to Marilyn Eigisti, Heidi Evans and Annette Haile)

Leandra Little, Sapphire Shores

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Saturday, October 20, 2018; 12-2pm**

Bay Haven Food Forest Tour (Page 4)

**November 1, & December 4, 2018**

IBSSA Board Meetings at 7pm; Light of the World Church

**Sunday, November 11, 2018; 1-4pm**

Annual IBSSA Picnic; Caples Mansion Bayfront (Page 3)

**Saturday, November 17, 2018; 10am**

Alan and Isabel Lillie dedication (Page 9)

**Thursday, December 6, 2018; 7pm**

Semi-Annual IBSSA Meeting; Light of the World Church

**Saturday-Sunday, January 26-27, 2019; 9am-3pm**

Annual IBSSA Yard Sale (Page 3)

**Saturdays:** Yoga in Sapphire Shores Park; 10-11:30am (Page 4)

**NOV 28TH: Submission Deadline for Dec. 2018 Issue**

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