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INDIAN BEACH – SAPPHIRE SHORES ASSOC.

President's Message

2019 — A New Year of IBSSA Activities and Changes!



Dear Neighbors,

The biggest change is that Jane Nutter Johnson has stepped down as president of the neighborhood association and has passed the gavel to her V.P. I hope I can fill Jane's shoes. We will surely miss her energy and drive! When you see Jane in the neighborhood or pursuing her other

causes, make sure to wish her well. With her departure from the board, we also welcome new board member Bob Slackman to fill the vacated director's seat. (See complete list of Board Members on Page 2.)

January: Our annual Neighborhood Yard Sale was held on the 26th and 27th, with over 60 homes participating. Even though the weekend weather was not the best, it was still a success. Kudos to Monica Neligon and all of her event helpers! She has done a great job chairing this event and it wouldn't happen without all her hard work. Mark your calendars for next year's yard sale on January 25-26, 2020.

February: Our Membership Chair, Ceci Wooster, and her committee members will be out in the neighborhood talking to you about the benefits of our IBSS Neighborhood Association and why you should all join! Being an IBSSA member enables

the neighborhood to do what it has to do to be a great place to live! (See Membership Drive on Page 3.)

March: Planning starts for the 2020 Sun Circle Art Festival. (See Sun Circle Art Festival 2020 on Page 3.)

April: Our 3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday April 13th! (See Easter Egg Hunt on Page 3.)

April is also the month that planning starts for our IBSSA Annual Picnic, which will be held on November 10th. If you have time and energy, we would love to have you on our Picnic Team. Just email us at picnic@ibssa.ws to join the team!

May: Our Semi-Annual Meeting will be held on May 7, 2019 at the Light of the World International Church, 7pm. The agenda will be posted on our website (www.ibssa.ws) and Facebook page as the date gets closer. I encourage you all to mark your calendars and attend the Semi-Annual Meeting.

Joanne L. Gonet, IBSSA President, frejo3617@yahoo.com



See yard sale photos on Page 6

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM

Membership type: New Renewal

I would like to volunteer: Greenspace (formerly Beautification)
 Newsletter Membership Neighborhood Watch Picnic / Events

Name: _____

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Email: _____

If you have a question about the status of your dues, please contact Kitty Cannon, Treasurer, at 941/355-3301 or rick@cannonrick.com.

Dues Payment ----- \$ 20.00
Voluntary Contribution: Greenspace (formerly Beautification) \$ _____
Doggie bags \$ _____
Other \$ _____
Total Enclosed \$ _____

Pay online: www.ibssa.ws/join-ibssa

Checks payable to: IBSSA **Mail to:** P.O. Box 49673, Sarasota, FL 34230

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING IBSSA

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.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS: All neighbors are encouraged to submit articles, pictures, or neighborhood news to be considered for inclusion in the newsletter. To submit items, place an advertisement, or for more information contact Lisa Lee-High, editor, at 775.287.3794 or lisaleehigh@gmail.com.

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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).



SAVE THE DATE!
3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt
Sapphire Shores Park
Saturday, April 13, 2019
10:00am

We are looking for AMAZING volunteers to make this the most memorable egg hunt yet! Please contact Maegan Collin if you would like to help: maegano@gmail.com

IBSSA Membership Drive

Our neighborhood membership drive began on Friday, February 1st, and our goal is to sign up 400 members by May 31st. (As of January 29, 2019, we had 179 household memberships. The total for 2018 was 317 household memberships.)

We need 24 volunteer neighborhood captains to meet and greet their neighbors to build membership ranks.

If you are not already a member why should you join IBSSA? ... because IBSSA is all about preserving and protecting your neighborhood environment, history, safety, promoting goodwill, protecting property interests for renters and homeowners alike, and getting to know your neighbors! Just a few of the real benefits include the local business discount card, the huge IBSSA neighborhood yard sale, the annual picnic (which is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors), the Easter egg hunt, helping us care for our public green spaces, supporting our neighborhood watch, and giving you the inside scoop on the latest in city actions, policies, and procedures.

IBSSA volunteers work year-round in partnering with city officials to keep alive our neighborhood's interest in maintaining parks, care of the bay, traffic developments, and personal safety matters. One example of our involvement was on February 7th when a representative from FDOT presented detailed information regarding their plans for construction at the Myrtle and MLK intersections of Tamiami Trail.

MEMBERSHIP continued on next column

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Supporting the IBSSA makes us a stronger association and gives us a voice in all city and state-related issues affecting our neighborhood. Please participate – your involvement assures that you have an immediate conduit for communicating to others your neighborhood matters of concern.

Whether you are a renter or homeowner we welcome your membership. At \$20, it is a great way to begin 2019 (only 5 cents a day!) As a thank you, you will receive an IBSSA neighborhood merchants' discount card. The easiest way to pay is on-line at www.ibssa.ws. You can also pay your membership by giving a check to your new volunteer neighborhood captain when they introduce themselves or by mailing a check with your name/s and local address to: IBSSA, PO Box 49673, Sarasota, FL 34230
[Ceci Wooster, IBSSA Membership Chair, membership@ibssa.ws](mailto:membership@ibssa.ws)

Sun Circle Art Festival 2020

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
Sapphire Shores Park
Saturday, March 7, 2020
10:00am - 5:00pm

How can we make the Art Festival an event that incorporates all of our residents and helps our local artists prosper? I would love to hear from you.

Planning begins now and we are looking for volunteers. In March, I will be contacting our local artists and start forming our committee for the 2020 Art Festival.

If you are an artist, new to the neighborhood, and/or are interested in being part of our IBSSA Art Festival, please contact me at ArtsChairIBSSA@gmail.com. More information and updates will be on the IBSSA Facebook page as well as the website (www.IBSSA.ws).

Hope to hear from you soon!
Lauren Weems, Chair; IBSSA Sun Circle Art Festival
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Between these, placards proclaim

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Biking, jogging, or strolling along this trail, signs say

LIBRARY
(atop a kiosk)
&

DOG I POT
(with baggies below)

American flags abound.

Team banners herald STEELERS (Pittsburgh) and OHIO STATE (Buckeyes).

NEON PEACE signs are seen along with "WELCOME FRIENDS" door mats.

Car spaces include:

PARKING FOR NIGHT TIME BARTENDER ONLY

Institutions are advertised as:

LIGHT OF THE WORLD INTERNATIONAL CHURCH
&
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Sample bumper stickers are:

PRACTICE ALOHA
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MY RELIGION IS KINDNESS
LOVE THY NEIGHBOR
(NO EXCEPTIONS)

Last and best?

25
ENJOY THE DRIVE
CHILDREN, PETS &
PEOPLE AT PLAY

By Mack Goode, Chippawa Place

Photos from Readers



Joel Werth captured this image of a January sunset over The Ringling.

IBSS & Social Media

Looking to Connect with your IBSS Neighbors on Social Media? Here's How!



Join our private IBSSA Facebook Group to network with neighbors and for Official

IBSSA Announcements. This group is open to ALL IBSS residents, including renters and homeowners:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/indianbeachsapphireshores/>

Connect with Indian Beach Sapphire Shores residents & local



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In the News

NORTH TRAIL BUILDINGS DRAW CONCERNS

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David Conway, Deputy Managing Editor)*

RESIDENTS WANT THE CITY TO TAKE ACTION TO ADDRESS ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH DERELICT MOTELS, WHICH HAS LED TO A DEMOLITION ORDER FOR AT LEAST ONE STRUCTURE.

At a Jan. 5 Coalition of City Neighborhood Associations meeting, a resident of the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighborhood asked City Manager Tom Barwin what the city is doing to ensure buildings on the North Trail are properly maintained.

Barwin said city code enforcement staff are dutiful about addressing complaints in the area, particularly when it comes to derelict motel properties. As proof, he pointed to the city's recent issuance of a demolition order for the SeaBreeze Inn, located at 4429 N. Tamiami Trail.

The west-of-trail neighborhood has long been concerned about the status of North Trail motels. Joanne Gonet, president of the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Neighborhood Association, said residents have questioned whether the city was being rigorous enough in enforcing the code in blighted portions of the trail.

"If they see an issue, they should automatically do it and not wait for a neighbor to complain," Gonet said.



Tim Litchet, the city's director of neighborhood and development services, confirmed that most code enforcement is a response to resident complaints. But he said staff is also paying close attention to the North Trail, which elected officials have identified as a segment of the city in need of improvement.

"We're aware this is an area of particular concern for the City Commission," Litchet said. "They've made it clear the North Trail and redevelopment is a priority."

Litchet said the city starts by issuing code compliance violations to properties in need of improvement. But if an owner is unresponsive or continues to let a building fall into a state of disrepair, the city's building official is authorized to issue a demolition notice.

In the notice for the SeaBreeze Inn, issued Dec. 19, 12 different violations are listed. The document describes the property as a nuisance, a fire hazard, a detriment to surrounding property values and a health and safety risk lacking sufficient ventilation and plumbing facilities, among other issues.

Although he said the city is committed to active code enforcement in the area, Litchet said staff's ongoing discussion of new North Trail building regulations would be an even more effective tool for addressing substandard properties.

"I can cite people and cite people, but what really changes things is having good zoning that facilitates redevelopment," Litchet said.

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Annual Yard Sale Update

It was a cold day for the start of the annual IBSSA Yard Sale but that did not deter the customers from checking out the "goodies" at the different households participating in the yard sale. There were 64 households selling their wares and hoping for a very profitable day. As the day warmed up, the buyers increased in number to peruse the items for sale.

Participants also met their neighbors and chatted about the great IBSS neighborhood. The "sun gods" were not happy on Sunday and venture to say, it didn't just rain but it poured.

Here is hoping that the sun shines down on IBSS for both days of the 2020 yard sale.
 Monica Neligon, IBSSA Yard Sale Chair



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Real Estate Update Column

The Real Estate Update allows 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 (Oct, Dec, Feb, or June). If you are a Realtor interested in being included in next September's drawing, please email me to receive a copy of the new policy.

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

Lisa Lee-High, Editor
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Real Estate Update From Bret Lageson January 28, 2019

Hi Neighbors,

Choosing a house is often one of the most difficult decisions in a persons life. It typically is driven by affordability, convenience, and resale value.

Choosing the home of a lifetime, or for future generations, involves even more tangible and intangible factors. My mother and I have been realtors for over 30 years in the Sarasota market and have seen it all, showed it all, moved a couple of times, and after and through it all, I've chosen our neighborhood as my home for over the past 10 years.



Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores has always been a neighborhood for the true connoisseur. From its origin it has been the choice for those who appreciate a high quality of life, individualism and beauty - artists, civic leaders, heads of businesses, museum directors, rock stars, and those who have served Presidents have lived, and live today, in this area. There is nowhere like IBSS in Sarasota.

And that's not even the best news. As Ringling College continues to expand, University of South Florida increases enrollment, New College adds programs, and the "North Trail" finally is starting to take off and offer more and more neighborhood services, including a new Starbucks...demand will only get more intense.

The U.S. National Register of Historic Places love our neighborhood as well. There are too many homes to include in this article. Bay Haven School is included on that exclusive list.

Congratulations on choosing well and living even better. Thanks for being my neighbor.

Bret Lageson, The Hayden Team, Marni Hayden and My Realty Company.

PROPERTIES: Active, Pending, and Sold (November 29, 2018 - January 27, 2019)

STATUS	ADDRESS	PRICE	SQFT	BED	FULLBATH
ACT	3440 CHAPEL DR	\$224,000	1,080	3	2
ACT	839 42ND ST	\$239,750	868	3	1
ACT	3939 IROQUOIS AVE	\$249,900	1,800	3	2
ACT	978 TENNESSEE LN	\$249,900	1,011	2	1
ACT	3510 IROQUOIS AVE	\$259,900	1,905	3	2
ACT	744 CORWOOD DR	\$299,000	1,496	2	2
ACT	3724 IROQUOIS AVE	\$299,900	1,550	3	2
ACT	3605 IROQUOIS AVE	\$319,000	1,644	3	3
ACT	630 47TH ST	\$335,000	1,400	3	2
ACT	1023 INDIAN BEACH DR	\$349,000	1,924	3	2
ACT	744 45TH ST	\$398,000	1,634	3	2
ACT	868 PATTERSON DR	\$398,500	1,424	2	2
ACT	825 TENNESSEE LN	\$399,000	1,526	3	2
ACT	794 40TH ST	\$423,000	2,196	3	2
ACT	4925 REMINGTON DR	\$439,900	1,605	3	3
ACT	844 PATTERSON DR	\$448,000	1,348	3	2
ACT	833 TENNESSEE LN	\$450,000	1,552	2	3
ACT	4530 GUAVA CT	\$469,000	1,820	3	2
ACT	653 40TH ST	\$475,000	1,560	4	2
ACT	1001 CALOOSA DR	\$499,000	1,575	3	3
ACT	3001 BAY SHORE CIR	\$499,000	2,067	2	2
ACT	811 42ND ST	\$525,000	2,358	4	3
ACT	744 41ST ST	\$530,000	1,728	2	2
ACT	981 CALOOSA DR	\$539,000	1,838	3	3
ACT	5033 EASTCHESTER DR	\$549,000	1,523	3	2
ACT	575 N SHORE DR	\$599,000	1,488	2	2
ACT	4906 BAY SHORE RD	\$649,000	2,136	3	2
ACT	2052 ALAMEDA AVE	\$649,900	1,748	2	2
ACT	3814 IROQUOIS AVE	\$699,000	2,070	4	3
ACT	412 S SHORE DR	\$759,000	2,760	4	4
ACT	722 BELLORA WAY	\$829,900	2,607	4	2
ACT	587 BELLORA WAY	\$840,900	2,716	4	2
ACT	5110 SUN CIR	\$850,000	2,750	3	3
ACT	602 BELLORA WAY	\$895,000	2,344	3	2
ACT	941 VIRGINIA DR	\$899,000	2,773	4	3
ACT	597 BELLORA WAY	\$990,900	3,052	4	3
ACT	612 BELLORA WAY	\$1,150,000	2,696	3	2
ACT	978 VIRGINIA DR	\$1,150,000	4,364	6	5
ACT	335 S SHORE DR	\$1,190,000	2,791	3	2
ACT	3008 BAY SHORE RD	\$1,200,000	3,545	3	4
ACT	444 ACACIA DR	\$1,345,000	3,485	4	4
ACT	3500 BAY SHORE RD	\$1,350,000	3,047	4	4
ACT	3127 BAY SHORE RD	\$1,900,000	3,454	3	3
ACT	5021 BRYWILL CIR	\$2,350,000	5,054	5	5
ACT	300 RINGLING POINT DR	\$2,450,000	2,920	3	4
ACT	305 RINGLING POINT DR	\$2,695,000	4,997	4	4
ACT	2145 ALAMEDA AVE	\$4,280,000	6,439	5	4
ACT	2211 ALAMEDA AVE	\$5,750,000	6,822	5	5
ACT	929 ALAMEDA WAY	\$6,950,000	9,067	5	6
PND	850 WINDSOR DR	\$244,000	802	3	2
PND	1006 24TH ST	\$250,000	1,682	3	2
PND	637 CORWOOD DR	\$299,900	1,268	2	2
PND	4722 REMINGTON DR	\$335,000	1,340	2	2
PND	5035 STEVENS DR	\$377,000	1,594	3	2
PND	511 45TH ST	\$450,000	1,796	3	2
PND	709 INDIAN BEACH LN	\$649,000	2,253	3	2
SLD	618 MARLIN DR	\$249,000	1,010	2	2
SLD	847 41ST ST	\$260,000	1,248	2	2
SLD	2825 W TAMIAMI CIR	\$275,000	900	2	1
SLD	359 N SHORE DR	\$475,000	2,864	3	2
SLD	337 N SHORE DR	\$670,000	4,839	6	3
SLD	418 SAPPHIRE DR	\$675,000	1,724	3	2
SLD	904 VIRGINIA DR	\$690,000	2,007	3	2
SLD	411 S SHORE DR	\$775,000	2,414	4	3
SLD	2833 BAY SHORE CIR	\$975,000	2,974	3	2
SLD	587 47TH ST	\$1,035,000	3,044	3	3

Information from Multiple Listing Data Base. Submitted by
Bret Lageson.

Greenspace News

Consider Donating: Funds raised go directly to planting.

Greenspace is paid for with Volunteer Donations. Every little bit helps our IBSSA Neighborhood flourish. Make your check payable to and mail to IBSSA, PO Box 49673, Sarasota, FL 34230. Please write in the memo line "Greenspace".

Jack Wooster, srgreenspace@gmail.com



Mollie Holland leading a Living Shorelines discussion at Indian Beach Park

NEST'S SECOND ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP TEAM GATHERING

FEBRUARY 16, 2019
NOKOMIS COMMUNITY PARK 234 NIPPINO TR., NOKOMIS
8 AM UNTIL 3 PM
INFO CONTACT: MOLLIE HOLLAND
Neighborhood Environmental Stewardship Team Coordinator,
Public Works, Stormwater
941.861.0672 or NEST@scgov.net

Whether you are an Association Manager, Committee/Board Member, or resident...and you have wondered how to make efforts in your community to enact positive change locally and improve how we live along the water's edge — This event is for you !!!

"It is always fun to meet people and hear about what they are doing."
Mollie Holland
NEST Coordinator

Sponsored by the Sarasota County Public Works Stormwater Division, this one of a kind, FREE event focuses on providing your community with the guides and resources needed.

Come talk to residents representing communities that have adopted changes within their neighborhood which improved water quality in their stormwater ponds. Hear about their successes and some of the hurdles they overcame.

This is **not** a lecture, but an opportunity to mingle, chat, and learn what other Associations are doing to be better stewards to our natural environment.

You can talk with subject matter experts about:

- Florida Friendly Planting principles for your own yard or a shared greenspace;
- How to improve habitat for fish and birds in common areas, stormwater ponds and yards;
- How to improve water quality in your lakes and ponds through improved community fertilizer management and by instituting other Best Management Practices (BMPs) for lawn, landscape and pond/lake management....and much more!



Wilma Holley from UF/IFAS talks to residents about Florida Friendly Planting principles



Laraine Jensen of the South Venice Water Quality Task-force talks about the community driven, successfully completed South Venice waterway restoration project.

FIVE THINGS YOU CAN DO TO HELP REDUCE RED TIDE IN SARASOTA BAY



- 1 PLANT A LIVING SHORELINE**
- 2 FOLLOW THE FERTILIZER ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS**
- 3 MINIMIZE RUNOFF FROM YOUR YARD, HOUSE, AND HARDSCAPES**
- 4 USE FLORIDA FRIENDLY LANDSCAPING**
- 5 COMPOST KITCHEN & YARD WASTE. USE IT TO INCREASE THE CARBON CONTENT OF YOUR SOIL**

Recycling and Keeping IBSS Beautiful

It is vital to our neighborhood to follow the recycling guidelines set by the city of Sarasota, as recycling is mandatory in the city. By following these guidelines, we keep our neighborhood recycling bins and trash containers on the curbside a minimal amount of time and recycle properly. Large items like mattresses and furniture, that can't be donated, should only be left on the curbside after a call for pick up. Allowing debris to sit curbside the least amount of time helps keep our neighborhood the beautiful place we all moved here to enjoy.

Trash bins, recycle bins, yard trimmings, and debris go curbside on Sunday before Monday pickup, and are stowed away by Monday evening. **DO NOT PLACE YARD WASTE IN PLASTIC BAGS.** Items placed in recycling bins must be sorted according to city guidelines. Plastic #1 and #2 is recycled easily while other numbers will most likely go to the landfill as the market has been greatly reduced or doesn't exist. The market for recycled glass has greatly diminished, although it is important to continue putting it in your recycling bin — the glass while still used as a topping at the landfill does not have a consistent market for recycling.

For large items that can't be donated, such as sofas, mattresses, etc., call Waste Pro 941/355-9600 to schedule pick up at no charge.

It is important for our neighborhood, city, and world that we do our best to keep our neighborhood beautiful by recycling as much as we can and refusing to use plastic and polystyrene wherever an alternative can be used, especially by never leaving home without an alternative. Some examples include reusable bottles/cups for any drinks we may want while out, reusable containers for leftovers instead of the polystyrene "to go" containers, and keeping a bag in our purse or car with straws and reusable utensils. Bringing our own reusable containers and buying in bulk whenever possible will reduce our need to recycle. *RECYCLING continued on next column*

RECYCLING continued from previous column

For more information check out www.rethinkingplastic.org

City sustainability

<https://www.sarasotafl.gov/government/city-manager/sustainability/recycling>

Residential Recycling

<https://www.sarasotafl.gov/home/showdocument?id=2863>

Business recycling

<https://www.sarasotafl.gov/home/showdocument?id=1014>

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Neighborhood Watch News

The start of a new year is a good time to review the crime prevention principles and practices that Neighborhood Watch encourages each of us to make routine in our daily lives. Implementing common sense security measures, such as locking doors and closing windows of homes and vehicles, lessens the likelihood of becoming a crime statistic.

Concern, awareness and communication among law enforcement and law abiding residents are key to making a community safe. Our willingness to call the police whenever criminal activity, suspicious situations or unusual behavior is observed and then alerting neighbors or those around us, wherever we are, to the potential dangerous situation, reduces the opportunity for criminals to commit crime.

“See It, Hear It, Report It” is the motto of our Neighborhood Watch and will hopefully help us have a happy, safe 2019.

Debbie Muller, 941.355.5743

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH COORDINATORS

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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
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Surveys/Citizens' Police Academy) 941/ 954-7056
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SPD Website www.sarasotapd.org
Animal Services 941/ 861-9500
Code Compliance 941/ 954-4125
Narcotics Hotline (anonymous)..... 941/ 954-7050



IBSS CRIME REPORT: JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31

(Approximate totals)	2018	2017
Burglary / Structure	16	13
Burglary / Vehicle	20	20
Motor Vehicle Theft	06	01
Robbery	03	01

(2019: Jan. 1-25, 1 Residential Burglary, suspect arrested)

CITYWIDE STATISTICS: JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31

(Approximate totals)	2018	2017
Burglary / Structure	300	270
Burglary / Vehicle	343	380
Motor Vehicle Theft	136	112
Robbery	82	86

NOTE: The majority of vehicles burglarized throughout the city and within our neighborhood were left unlocked. Most of the cars that were actually broken into had valuables left in plain sight. Many of the stolen cars had the keys left inside vehicle.

REMINDERS

- * Please observe the speed limits:
25mph throughout neighborhood
15mph in all school zones
- * Pet owners: Keep pets safely in your care and under control at all times

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.



Yellow Bluffs

Recently, I went to Centennial Park to find where a wastewater spill entered the bay. If the park was a point of infiltration, the sewage came through storm drains, so a more relevant question might be; where did the effluent enter the drainage system, not where did it enter the bay? The saying in politics is...follow the money...but in raw sewage spills maybe the saying is "follow the sh#*"? To be continued...

While in Centennial Park I witnessed a dramatic winter low tide. It allowed me to walk along the bayfront below 18th Street. This put me in front of the grand, yet dilapidated stairway to the long gone mansion known as The Acacias. It was built by the Potter-Palmer family and sat on the original Whitaker homestead known as Yellow Bluffs.

When William Whitaker sailed into north Sarasota Bay in the 1840s, he kept his eyes peeled for the yellow bluffs. They could be seen from as far north as Longboat Pass and marked the entry to a fresh water bayou and high ground.

Yellow Bluffs was a colorful, chalky outcropping rising about 12 feet straight up out of the bay just below Whitaker Bayou and they used to be strikingly visible. Even as recently as a couple decades ago I could point them out to passengers as we sailed up the middle of the bay.

But time has obscured this geological phenomenon. Towers have replaced homesites. Seawalls have been built and reinforced, rip rap regularly laid down for protection, vegetation covers the entire bank.

However, on this low tide I was able to get my first close look in many, many years and sure enough I found a small exposed patch of the yellow chalk.

It's covered up and obscured but still there under the cosmetics of this last century which represents our brief time in this place.

David Jennings, Woodland Drive



Waterfront entry to The Acacias



Barely visible today, The Yellow Bluffs are an outcropping on Sarasota Bay obscured by development

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A logo for Scott's Auto Repair featuring a stylized car and a lightning bolt.

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Yoga in Sapphire Shores Park

February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, 2019; 7pm

IBSSA Board Meetings; Light of the World Church

Saturday, April 13, 2019; 10am

Annual Egg Hunt (Page 3)

May 7, 2019; 7pm

Semi-Annual Meeting; Light of the World Church

MAY 29, 2019: Submission Deadline for June Issue

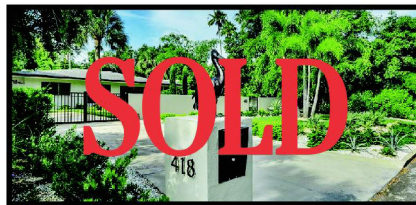
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FEBRUARY 2019

Results. Results. Results.



2833 Bay Shore Circle SOLD for \$975,000



418 Sapphire SOLD for \$675,000



729 Indian Beach Circle SOLD for \$550,000



937 Corwood SOLD for \$294,000

In the past 15 months the Hayden Team has sold 36 homes

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