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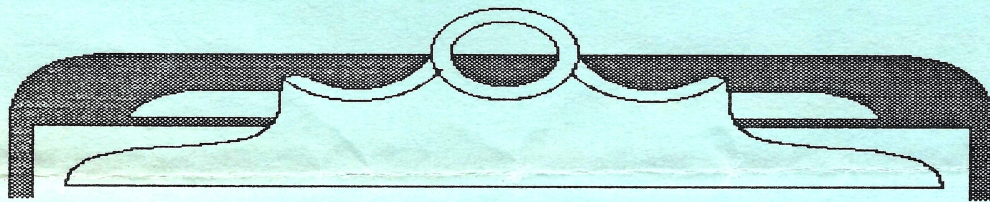
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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR ----- NOVEMBER 26TH & DECEMBER 9TH**

**ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN SUDAKOFF HALL, USF  
CAMPUS MONDAY, DECEMBER 9TH AT 7:30 P.M.**

**GREAT PROGRAM---YOU ALL COME!!!!**

DAVID SOLLENBERGER, CITY MANAGER has graciously consented to be our main speaker for the evening. He will give us an update as to what is happening in the city, where, when, and why. When Mr. Sollenberger first arrived in Sarasota as our new city manager, the Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores neighborhood was the first neighborhood association to welcome him to the area. He has agreed to speak for 20 minutes, and then answer questions from you for 10 minutes. Let's all come and welcome him back to the best neighborhood in all of Sarasota.

Sharing the podium will be Mr. Joseph D. Coleman, he is the architect and planner for USF, from Tampa, he will explain what is happening at the Caples Campus next to the Museum. He will bring sketches along to show what the new building complex will look like. Come see, learn, and bring your questions. An informed neighbor is a good neighbor. He has asked for 20 minutes of program time.

Margaret Muller is chairing our Social Committee which includes: Debbie Muller, Norma Kwenski, Suzanne Menendez and Joan Spaulding. Homemade cookies, punch and coffee are on her agenda, plus lots of neighborly conversation around the refreshment table. Many of our neighbors have consented to bake goodies for us; but, with the crowd we expect we could certainly use more. If you would like to contribute some Christmas cookies or help with the serving, please give Margaret Muller a call at 355-5743. These nice people have signed up to bake for us: Bev Weston, Sherrie Farr, Norma Kwenski, Isabel Lillie, Florence Pope Mariana Cotten, Jeni Silver, Jane Boone, Sharon Carter, Jane Lyons, Normal Holman, Susie Weiss and Joan Spaulding. We had such a grand turnout for our spring general meeting that we are hoping to have even more attend this one. Please come and bring a neighbor. We hope to see more new faces there. You do not have to be a member to attend these informative meetings.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's been a busy two years for all of us. I attended the CONA meetings and the CCNA meetings as your voting delegate and after meeting with all the other neighborhood representatives, I'm convinced that we have one of the most capable and qualified Boards in Sarasota. They have worked very hard for you, and I want to thank them for all the time and effort they've given to make IBSSA a better place in which to live.

We've tried to have some good times together, and those of us who went to the two Asolo performances (made possible by good neighbors Gretchen Serrie and Paul Wolfe), can attest to the good times. Those of you who do not participate in our events together are really missing something quite special. The bridge sessions were fun also.

Gateway 2000 and North Trail Sector Study are two committees you should feel very well acquainted with. We've made every attempt to keep you informed of their actions. Some we've approved of, some we've questioned. Crime Watch Chair Neil Whitney has brought reports and statistics from the police station that says crime is down in our neighborhood. Membership is also down. Attendance at general meetings is up. Your dues of \$10.00 is one of the best bargains in town. The Board is delighted with our neighborhood park. It's great to see so many of our neighbors enjoying the view and the benches. We can't begin to thank Alan Lillie, Bob Bell and Joe Cooley for all the time and hard work they donated in making the park a reality. Read Alan's article elsewhere in the paper and see that there is still much remaining to be done. My wish for this neighborhood is to see you all participate in its activities, support it with your time and talents, help when called upon, attend the general meetings, and become members.

## ADOPT A PARK -- KEEP SARASOTA BEAUTIFUL

### C.O.N.A. INFORMATION

October meeting - Mr. John Goodnight, director of County Transportation reviewed major projects for the next five years. High on our affected list will be the widening of University Parkway which will be started shortly. November meeting - Mr. Eugene Schiller, Director of Financial Management, Sarasota County will summarize the balance sheet of the County government, and explain the present credit rating of the County for us.

December 16th meeting will feature Mr. Bob Anderson, County Commissioner as main speaker. You all can attend. Vamo Church, 1:30.

### C.C.N.A. INFORMATION

Assistant City Engineer Mr. Asim Mohammed, addressed city traffic problems and answered our concerns. Note that as a result of this meeting, some of the No turns on Red signs have been changed.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Candidates for election will be presented by the nominating committee which includes Brad Kwenski, Fred Knight, Bob Nalven and is chaired by Bart Cotten. Members also may be nominated from the floor if they have been contacted in advance of the nomination and have consented to serve. All terms are for two years. Holdover directors who will serve through 1992 are Frank Folsom Smith and Jeni Silver. Outgoing officers include Eileen Linxwiler, president; Don Farr, first vice president; Brad Bishop, second vice president; Beverly Weston, secretary; David Boone, treasurer; Neil Whitney, Ray Kanwischer, and John Hargreaves, directors.

## NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC A HUGE SUCCESS!

On October 26th our neighbors gathered once again on the beautiful Caples Campus directly on the bay for a Saturday filled with fun and great music. Eddie Owens, one of our IBSSA members, has a terrific band, and they played the kind of music everybody enjoys listening to. (Some of us even danced.) We had a new neighbor, Debbie Keeton, who entertained us with some fantastic vocalizing. Debbie you were great and we all thank you. If you need a good group, Eddie's number is 355-5526.

Brad Kwenski, Fred Knight, Bob Nalven and Gene Linxwiler manned the grill and we had delicious beef and turkey hotdogs. Chef Paul's Friendly Inn donated a large pan of wonderful Hawaiian chicken, rolls and butter, and a huge pan of delicious bread pudding. McDonald's and Burger King donated iced tea and orange drinks. All the dishes the neighbors brought were varied, nutritious and delicious. Mike Romanick did a fantastic job of setting up for the picnic. Thanks Mike.

One thing is wrong, not enough of you came. Attendance was down from the 325 we had two years ago.



Dear Bayshore Area Residents,

I am a New College student, and I am writing you to talk about noise. First, I'd like to apologize. The 3:00 A.M. "parade" down Bayshore about a month ago was really a bad idea. I understand that some of you thought that we were rioting, or that we were coming after people who had complained about the noise. Thinking back to the sights and sounds of a hundred students with pots and pans and garbage can lids, the fear is understandable. We are very sorry. It was nobody's intention to scare you that night. We were angry, not with you, but with the Sarasota Police and our own administration. The march down Bayshore happened after two hours of protesting on our own campus went unnoticed.

Secondly, I'd like to apologize for the noise in general. I don't know how many of you have been consistently bothered by our Walls (the late-night parties that until recently we had most Friday and Saturday nights). We really have no desire to wake anybody up at night or to disturb anyone's peace. While we've known for a long time that we have a problem with "noise complaints", only during the face-to-face conversations some of us have recently had with disturbed residents did it really hit home just how bothered people have been by our noise. Some courageous neighbors told us with passion and eloquence just how angry they have been made by the incessantly thumping bass of our week-end revels. We chose to remain oblivious to how real that noise problem has been for some of you.

For the moment, the problem is gone. The New College campus has been effectively silenced. A ban on any outdoor amplified sound after 10:00 P.M. , and on any sound they consider to be excessive at any time of day or night has been enforced. This new administrative policy goes well beyond what is called for by Sarasota Noise Ordinance. We were given a lot of time and a lot of leeway to handle the noise problem, and we took that leeway and hang ourselves.

But, we really are hurting. It is difficult for people to understand what these "Walls", these loud, outdoor parties, mean to us. They were a way to "let off steam", a way to release some of the pressures of a pressure-cooker college. To some of us, Walls have been magical events, rituals of communion with our friends and fellows. New College is a small and intense place; everybody knows everybody, but we get pulled apart in different directions by a thousand books, classes and papers. On the weekends, we would all come together and dance, beneath palm trees, moon, and sky. It is difficult to describe what a beautiful and important thing this was to some of us.

This doesn't give us any right to disturb you. I cannot justify our intensity. While we've made attempts to keep the sound down, it's hard to control the volume at a party of two hundred people. It's difficult to know how loud is too loud, because of how much the noise problem seems to vary with the weather. Because our attempts at controlling the volume didn't seem to work, we were afraid our administration would demand of us more drastic solutions, and they did.

The campus is in a state of shock over the lack of Walls. We lack a center, any place where we can all get together. Students have tried heroically to find ways of filling the void: we've had coffee houses and parties off-campus; we had the Jazz Wall that IBSSA was invited to but was dulled by rain; we've tried to have parties in such unusual places as our racquetball court. Some of these events have been quite successful. Late on Friday and Saturday nights the campus is deadly silent; occasional clumps of drunken wanderers comprise the only visible social activity. To someone who has for three years experienced the festive bustle that previously overtook the campus, this is very sad.

We are working to find ways to deal with the noise problem effectively, so that we could have our Walls, and you could sleep. Over the next few weeks, we will be conducting sound studies; we may have an outdoor location that is effectively acoustically isolated from residential areas. We are looking into the possibility of purchasing acoustical barriers, such as noise-reducing curtains. We continue to await the construction of a long-promised berm that would hopefully cut down the noise reaching Bayshore residences, as it seems to have done in Upland residents. Hopefully, some of these ideas will bear fruit.

So, again, sorry for whatever we've wrecked, either with our continual noise, or by our little "parade" of a month ago. I hope that these problems haven't left a great aftertaste of animosity between the neighborhood and New College students. The meetings we've had this year when we've gotten together at the Jazz Wall or the Association picnic all suggest that, on the whole, we seem to like each other pretty well. Some of the neighbors I've spoken to have distinguished themselves as extremely nice people. Your officers and Board of Directors asked many excellent questions and offered some good suggestions. I hope that some of us students have done the same. For the many times you've tolerated our excesses, thanks.

**NEW COLLEGE/USF NOISE PROBLEM.** Many of your are aware of our "noise pollution" problem via articles printed in the Sarasota Herald, and the Times. Our family is prepared to file a a suit if there is any more noise. Several other families have said they will support the suit.

Several meetings have been held in an attempt to solve the problem: 1) with the police, 2) with the students and administrations Campus police.

Some arrests were made as a result of their demonstration. The students requested space in our newsletter to apologize to the offended. Our Board of Directors heard the letter, and although its' quite lengthy, we've agreed to print it in a slightly shortened version.



**IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!**

1992 membership fees are now due. Those of you who have been members in the past surely recognize the value of membership in the Association. For those of you who have not previously made the effort to join, let me remind you what the Association is all about.

The Association's efforts are directed primarily towards preserving the integrity and heritage of the neighborhood, maintaining and enhancing its physical appearance, and contributing to the safety of its' residents in order to improve the overall quality of life within the neighborhood and to protect the investment of the property owners.

The Association is your voice at City Hall and has long been recognized as one of the most active and effective neighborhood associations in Sarasota. You as a resident can be assured that your neighborhood is represented at all meetings at which matters with potential impact on the Indian Beach/Sapphire Shores area are heard.

The Association has proven successful in settling grievances of its members, whether they involve the City or other residents, and you as a member are invited to contact any of the Association's officers or directors should you have a problem requiring attention. The Association's semi-annual general meetings provide members an opportunity for voicing their concerns and catching up on the activities of the Association and our annual picnic is a great time for getting acquainted with your neighbors.

The success of the Association is ultimately determined by the strength of the membership. **WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT.** Please take the time to complete the membership application below and join your neighborhood Association today.

Thank you so much for your valuable support.

Sincerely,



Don M. Farr  
Membership Committee

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**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

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## NEWS ON SAPPHIRE SHORE PARK

The first phase of our parks beautification program has now been completed. We're delighted to see its increased use by strollers and bench loungers. For those of you who haven't yet visited - please come and enjoy.

As for our new plantings, some are doing better than others. A few of the live oaks are in shock and may have to be replaced (at contractor's expense). Also, quite a bit of the Bahia grass seeding hasn't germinated and rye grass seeding may be necessary to temporarily hold over till next spring. Additionally, there has been some parking on the seeded area at the extreme north end of the park. The City has requested that we ask everyone to park only on the street.

Your Association would like to adopt the park under the auspices of Keep Sarasota Beautiful. However, we will need volunteers to regularly walk the park, picking up trash, checking for damage, etc. We'd also like to hear from any avid gardeners who would like to donate their time (and plants, maybe) to installing and tending to few small planting beds. Anyone interested should call Alan Lillie, 351-2715.

We will be printing a park donors list early next year in appreciation of contributions made by so many of our members. If you have not already given, you may still participate in this fine neighborhood project - we still need funding to complete the landscape design so continued support will be most helpful.

Don't forget about Keep Sarasota Beautiful's "Trees as a Living Legacy" program. This is a lovely way to create a living memorial or to commemorate an event. Donors may select the type of tree to be planted and plaques are included in the set fee. Sapphire Shores Park would be an ideal location.

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\*\*\*\*\* NORTH TRAIL SECTOR STUDY MEETING \*\*\*\*\*  
November 26, 1991 7:00 p.m.

If you live close to the Tamiami Trail, or in the IBSSA Community, this may be the most vital meeting you'll ever attend. Mark November 26, 1991 7:00 p.m. on your calendar. This meeting will present the final stages of the North Trail Sector Study and will be held downtown in City Hall, Room 303A in the Annex. The Planning & Development Department has commissioned Joe Cooley of J.L. Cooley & Associates for assistance with the final draft of the new "NT" zoning district. Joe lives in our neighborhood.

If you do not make your feelings heard at this meeting, don't be surprised or complain if the density along 41 is increased or if the percentages of impervious land use doesn't meet with your approval. We've had lots of opportunities to meet with this Study group; but, very few of you have ever shown up. It's the zoning changes that should be of interest to you.

You may review the draft by visiting the Planning Dept., Room 300, City Hall Annex, the preceding Friday of the workshop in the event that you cannot attend the workshop itself because of a conflict.

For further information, call either Sherry R. Plaster (we've had Sherry at two of our IBSSA meetings) she is a Chief Planner, Long Range with the Planning Dept or Linda Silver at 954-4195.

### GIVE A LITTLE -- HELP A LOT!

In our neighborhood we are all blessed with food on our table and a roof over our head. For this holiday season let us all give a little to help those less fortunate. Please bring canned food or dry goods\* to the annual meeting. Our contributions will be taken to the All Faiths Food Bank.

Join with us and celebrate the true meaning of the holiday season by giving to those who need your help.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, but still wish to make a contribution - you can do so by dropping them off at Jeni Silver's house 1040 - 24th Street before December 11, 1991 12:00 Noon. (drop offs can be put on screened porch).

\*suggested items are as follows: canned meats, soups, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, rice, baby food/formula etc. Any questions, please do not hesitate to call Jeni Silver at 951-6771.



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