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LEISURE BEACH NEWSLETTER

February 2012

Prepared by Marcia LaManna

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We had a great turnout for our February meeting!

Evie Parks, Gift Planner for the Hospice Foundation was our guest speaker. She explained how Hospice is for "end of life" care, and informed us that HPH hospice does not charge clients. HPH hospice is paid for by billing Medicare, Medicaid and the individual's insurance companies. When shopping for hospice services; please make sure they are a not-for-profit facility. For more information please go to www.hph-hospice.org. HPH hospice is looking for volunteers at the Thrift Store, in their kitchen, etc.

A special "Welcome" to several new residents in Leisure Beach, attending our monthly meeting for the first time: Harley Freeman Dixie, 5th Isle and Beach, and Carol and Charlie Selfalaghs from 2nd Isle.

Upcoming meetings and scheduled speakers:

- ❖ March 5 – Jack Mariano, County Supervisor jMariano@pascocountyfl.net. *He is up for re-election in 2012.*
- ❖ April 3 – Mike Wells, Tax Collector.

Elections

Chuck thanked everyone on the board for a job well done at the February meeting. Elections are in March and if you are interested in any officer position, please contact any Board member. There are several positions that need to be filled and all the officers are more than happy to help with the transition.

General Information for residents:

- ❖ We could use some help at the end of February to trim back bushes on the median. Please call Beverly Stabile at 727-819-9078 if you can offer

some time.

- ❖ We still need drivers for the Security car – It's our neighborhood – Let's keep it safe!!!!!!
- ❖ CARES in Beacon Woods will do your taxes for free, however, you must call for an appointment ([727-862-9291](tel:727-862-9291)).
- ❖ If you are not recycling using the blue bags, you can take your recycling behind the Methodist church, the library, the school, or the Stop and Play on 19. Look for the green dumpsters.
- ❖ Terry Gedan mentioned two programs that folks may not be aware of:
 - "Elder options" - that have a strength and balance program, etc.
 - "Shine" will review your medical and drug plans once a year and make recommendations. Call Terry at [727-868-9276](tel:727-868-9276) if you would like more information.

President's corner

What a nice turnout for our meeting! Those cookies and cakes are really doing their job!

Leisure Beach is a residential community, not a commercial one. Pasco County codes do not allow for daily, weekend or weekly rentals. In fact the minimum rental is for a full month and then no more than 3 times per year. This code has nothing to do with yearly renters who we consider to be part of our community. The board and officers will be reporting any violations to code for enforcement. We have already reported two houses.

March is the month for nominating your next board and officer slate for the April elections. John Passa and Rich Faller are our nominating committee. Please contact them if you want to be an officer or part of the board. John's number is [727 869 8038](tel:727-869-8038). Rich's is [727 862 7424](tel:727-862-7424).

We still need a few more drivers for our security car. The time is flexible and it does not take a long time to do the route. A driver only patrols within the Leisure Beach community, and drivers do not leave the car. If you see anything suspicious, it should be reported and the phone numbers are located in the car. Items needing immediate response can be called into 911. The car is fully insured so the driver would have no liability. We can all see how effective the patrol is by the low crime rate in Leisure Beach. You can call Jack LaManna [315-200-2879](tel:315-200-2879) or Rich Galli [717 862 0308](tel:717-862-0308) for information.

Chuck Drago

Upcoming Functions



March 10, 2012 - Annual Leisure Beach Community-wide Garage Sale - It's that time of year again - start your spring cleaning early and make some cash!!!!

Bayonet Point Yacht Club

February 27th – Liar's Night – 7PM at the Signal Cove Clubhouse. This is a free event, however it is a BYOB event.

Signal Cove

March 9th - Ice Cream Social – 6:30 PM \$2.00

Code enforcement:

- ❖ **If someone questionable comes to your door, or you see unknown people around your home. Please report anything suspicious to the Sheriff’s Dept. @ 727-844 7711.**
- ❖ **Individuals can call anyone on the board with code concerns, or you can call the county at 727-847-8110. If you have access to a computer, you can also register a complaint at the Pasco County website, under Customer Service Center
at <http://portal.pascocountyfl.net/portal/server.pt/community/home/202>.**
- ❖ **People cannot rent their homes for anything less than 1 month at a time according to Pasco County and there is a limit on the number of times it can be rented each year. No daily or weekly rentals are allowed as Leisure Beach is not approved for any short term leasing. More information is posted on our website.**

Items for sale or rent:

- ***For sale: 55 gallon aquarium with black stand. Overhead lighting AND Bio wheel filter, air pumps, rocks, books and lots of extras. \$100.00 call Barb at 727-569-7163***

Wanted to buy:

- ***Small, used Jon boat that can accommodate a 15 hp motor (727) 862-6025.***

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Remit \$40.00 payable to: LEISURE BEACH CIVIC ASSOC.

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Return both check and form to LBCA, PO Box 5366, Hudson, FL 34674

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City State & Zip _____ Phone # _____

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Address: _____





LEISURE BEACH NEWSLETTER

January 2012

Prepared by Marcia LaManna

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We had a large turnout for our January meeting, as well as a great speaker and plenty of discussion about our community.

Brian McNeil, from Crime Prevention Consultants, was the guest speaker for the evening. He spoke about safety precautions for Identity Theft, Auto Theft, Home Burglary, Hotel Room Break-ins and Personal Safety. He gave many great tips on how to keep our homes and ourselves safe, and provided brochures and CD's to attendees.

We are trying to have a guest speaker at all meetings and we are currently trying to find one for February. Upcoming speakers are March 6 – Jack Mariano, County Supervisor and April 3 – Mike Wells, Tax Collector.

At the meeting, President Chuck Drago asked for a moment of silence for Carmon Martin, who recently passed away. Carmon worked hard for our community and will be sorely missed.

Traffic Issues

Discussion shows that our residents believe that our traffic problems will be getting worse with the new gas station being opened in the Walmart parking lot. Residents can either call or send an email complaint to Jack Mariano's office. Contact information: 727-847-8171 or email: jMariano@pascocountyfl.net.

Jack Mariano will be our guest speaker at the March Leisure Beach meeting, so please make sure to attend and let him know your concerns!!! Mr. Mariano is up for re-election in 2012.

*** We need to start thinking about a holiday party for 2012, AND a contest for the best decorated home. Let's show our Leisure Beach Spirit!!! ***

Dues

The 2012 Leisure Beach Civic Association dues are payable in January. Checks can be sent to LBCA, PO Box 5366, Hudson, FL 34674 or should be paid by the February 6, 2012 meeting. There is also a form at the bottom of the newsletter that you can fill out and mail in. Remember - This money goes towards many items to keep our community as nice as it is now – this includes keeping our common areas maintained, meeting costs, staying current on county codes, newsletters, and providing code and safety patrols, making Leisure Beach the great place it is.

Code enforcement:

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- ❖ People cannot rent their homes for anything less than 3 months at a time according to Pasco County. No weekly or monthly rentals. Anyone not abiding by these rules should be turned in to the county. Info posted on our website.
- ❖ Rich Galli reported that an abandoned home on 5th Isle had been broken into. The county was called and has come to inspect the home. The house in extremely bad condition and could be demolished. The case # is W395726. If you have a home in your area that is in major disrepair, you can call the county directly.
- ❖ Jack LaManna mentioned that a person on 5th Isle N, scraped and pumped out a pool into the canal. It was reported to the DEC.

Note: We are still looking for 1 or 2 additional drivers for our Security vehicle. This can be as little as ½ hour per patrol and you can pick the frequency that you are comfortable with. Please contact John Passa if you are interested in helping out - [727-869-8038](tel:727-869-8038).

Reminders:

- Speed limit in Leisure Beach is 30 mph – please SLOW DOWN.
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President's corner

First I would like to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year

When Terry and I first drove into Leisure Beach just before Christmas we were impressed by how good the community looked. The median, the streets and the houses all looked well taken care of. A very nice greeting to everyone entering L.B.

We are looking to fill some positions on our board and need some additional drivers for the security car. Please step up and help! Our community looks as good as it does is because of all our volunteers who give of their time.

Please support your civic association. We thank the people who come to our civic meetings and continue to work to support our community. We need some new help, or our civic association is in danger of ending. No more security car, no more grass on the median. Join us in keeping the association healthy by volunteering to fill some open positions on our board.

January is the season for dues. The cost is the same as last year, \$40.00. You can give any officer a check or mail it in.

I look forward to working with you,

Chuck Drago

Upcoming Functions

Moose Club

February 9, 2012 – Second Hand Rose Luncheon and Fashion Show - Ticket cost is \$8.00. New and gently used clothing will be on sale after the luncheon and fashion show for less than thrift store prices. Please call Carol 869-9038 or Eileen Larson, 863-2108 for tickets.

Bayonet Point Yacht Club

March 17th - Tampa Bay Downs outing. This includes a buffet luncheon and a private indoor area for viewing and betting on the horses. \$20 pp. If interested, please call Marie Flick at 727-869-7335.

Items for sale or rent:

- *For sale: Singer sewing machine – portable model 5528 – year 1985 – excellent condition - \$45, call 727-863-4975*
- *For sale: White metal shelf – 4 levels (h-65" w-30" d-18") \$15, call 727-863-4975*

Wanted to buy:

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December 2011

Prepared by Marcia LaManna

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We had a great turnout at the December meeting. The new seating layout for meetings, as well as the wonderful home made desserts, provide a nice atmosphere to visit with our neighbors as well as meeting new neighbors.

There were several festive neighborhood activities in December that we hope you took advantage of – what a great community we live in! There is nothing like celebrating the holidays with warm, sunny weather.

Moose Club

On Saturday December 17th the Moose Club sponsored a pancake breakfast with Santa party for our local children. They had a great turnout – A big “Thanks to the Moose Club” for doing something special for the children in our neighborhood.

Holiday Boat Parade

We hope you got a chance to enjoy the Bayonet Point Yacht Club’s annual Holiday Boat Parade. The boats were decked out in their finest and all the boaters did a great job decorating. This year the parade expanded and started on December 16th with the Hudson Beach/Sea Ranch area – there was press coverage by a local news station and pictures were taken from their helicopter. On Saturday December 17th, we had 7 boats touring the Leisure Beach canals and on Sunday December 18th, there were 6 boats touring Signal Cove.

The winners of the boat parade were Bob & Brenda Parham (Leisure Beach) – 3rd place, Prentiss & Nancy Howard (Signal Cove) – 2nd place and Jack & Marcia LaManna (Leisure Beach) – 1st place. On Sunday, the final night of the boat parade, there was a gathering at the Signal Cove Clubhouse with a large turnout. Santa greeted the children that were waiting for the boats to come in. Along the canals there were many beautifully decorated homes – the lights, reflecting on the water from the homes and boats, were spectacular. Next year, please consider joining in – this is a great time for all! Pictures will be posted on the Bayonet Point Yacht Club website as soon as they are all received (<http://bpyc.info/>).

Dues

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Ongoing and increasing traffic concerns

Rich Galli believes our traffic problems will be getting worse with the new gas station being opened at the north end of the Walmart parking lot. He suggested that residents either call or send an email complaint to Jack Mariano’s office. Contact information: 727-847-8171 or email:jMariano@pascocountyfl.net. Marcia LaManna also said she would draft a letter from the community to register our concerns AGAIN. ***A note: Jack Mariano will be our guest speaker at the March Leisure Beach meeting, so please make sure to attend and let him know your concerns!!! Mr. Mariano is up for re-election in 2012.***

Code enforcement:

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Reminders:

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Bayonet Point Yacht Club is holding a fundraiser Jan. 6th at Colorama (performer is Bobby Palermo). Tickets are \$20 for show, dinner and door prizes. Please contact the following for tickets: Doris Mapstone at 727-869-9208 or Marcia LaManna at 727-862-6025.



**LEISURE BEACH NEWSLETTER
November 2011**

Prepared by Marcia LaManna

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We had a nice turnout at the first meeting since last Spring! It was great to see folks we haven't seen in a while. John Passa, filling in for Chuck Drago, chaired the meeting and he did a great job. A **"BIG THANKS"** goes out to him for doing this!!! We tried a new seating layout for this meeting and we found that people really liked it. It was a great way to visit with our neighbors, both before and after the meeting. There were several great desserts provided by a few of our residents!

There are several neighborhood activities in December that you should be aware of:

Children's Christmas party at the Moose Club: December 17th at 9a.m – pancake breakfast with Santa party. Children to the age of 12 will be free and a \$4.00 fee for the adults. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Moose Lobby, or you may call Wayne at 727-378-755 - cut-off date of December 10th. The children's ages must be provided so that gifts can be purchased. The Children from Leisure Beach and Signal Cove are all invited.

Christmas Boat Parade: The Bayonet Point Yacht Club is sponsoring their annual Christmas Boat parade on December 16, 17 and 18th. We are looking for additional participants in this year's parade so please consider decorating your boat and joining in on the fun at least one of the nights!! There will be prizes for the top 3 decorated boats and the parade route has been extended to Sea Ranch this year. Dates are Dec. 16 – Sea Ranch, Dec. 17 – Leisure Beach, Dec. 18 – Signal Cove. Following the Signal Cove parade, there will be a get together at the Signal Cove Clubhouse, on Tiller Drive, for all the boaters. In addition, prizes will be awarded at the party. You are asked to bring an appetizer to pass and BYOB. More information can be found at their website <http://bpyc.info/> or by calling Prentiss at 410-603-3113 or Jack at 315-200-2880 or 727-862-6025. A good time for all.

A reminder to folks - the 2012 Leisure Beach dues will be coming due in January. Checks can be sent to LBCA, PO Box 5366, Hudson, FL 34674 or paid at the December meeting. This money goes towards many items, including keeping our common areas maintained, meeting costs, staying current on county codes, newsletters, and providing code and safety patrols, making this the great place it is to live. Please note: There is a roster of paid members available at these meetings – please encourage your neighbors to do their share, by paying their dues, if you do not see their name on the list.

The status of traffic controls at the Leisure Beach entrance was brought up again, and concern is rising with the upcoming opening of a gas station on the north end of Walmart. It appears that we must

contact Jack Mariano AGAIN, although he has been totally unresponsive to our concerns in the past. There are several County meetings going on now and people felt that large groups may be more effective in getting our concerns addressed. *Just a note: Mr. Mariano is up for re-election in 2012.*

Many folks have noticed that they are seeing the Security patrol more frequently. We have several new drivers and are looking for more volunteers. Even one hour a week would help. The visibility of the patrol car is a definite deterrent to crime in the neighborhood, and we find that by varying the drive times with daytime and evening patrols improves our visibility. The more drivers that we have provide the community with more consistent coverage. Please contact John Passa if you are interested in helping out - [727-869-8038](tel:727-869-8038).

A warm welcome to Jean and Tony Cilluffo from 5th Isle.

Sherry Risalvato thanked everyone for their sympathy cards and for paying their respect when her husband Vinny passed away.

To reduce expenses, we are considering posting the Leisure Beach newsletter on our website. This would save printing costs and having to find volunteers to deliver the newsletter to each home. It will be discussed further.

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Code enforcement:

Several residents mentioned that they are seeing an increased number of solicitors at their door. This is clearly a code violation as the signs are posted at the Leisure Beach entrance and guardhouse. Please remind the solicitor that they should leave our development or they will be reported.

If you have an empty home on your street that has a lawn that is overgrown and not being maintained, there is now a form you can fill out on the Pasco County Website to have the lawn taken care of. They have been responsive on Leisure Beach reports that have been sent in. Some of these homes are owned by the banks and are basically being ignored. See info below:

Website address and instructions:

*<http://portal.pascocountyfl.net/portal/server.pt/community/home/202> Select: **Customer Service Center** and then: **Submit a Request**. Choose: **Complaint - Overgrown Lots (CE41) NOA**. Complete the form - they usually respond to your submission within a few days, and then take care of the lawn as soon as possible (usually within 2 weeks)*

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- Folks are being reminded to report anything suspicious to the Sheriff's Dept. @ 727-844 7711 for any type of unusual activity.
- The next women's birthday luncheon will be on December 7th at Harold Seltzer's, Gulf View Square Mall. Please let Carol Passa (727-869 8038) know if you will be attending as well as for any special details.

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LEISURE BEACH NEWSLETTER



April 2011

Prepared by Marcia LaManna

What beautiful weather we are having – just perfect for enjoying the outdoors and our great community!

Our April 4th meeting featured the Department of Transportation (DOT) and Jack Mariano, our Pasco County Commissioner. They provided a short overview on the proposed SR 19 redesign plans that will be affecting our traffic flow in and out of Leisure Beach (LB). The presentation clarified our concern that they were not aware of many of the issues we have with the turns in front of Leisure Beach. The redesign will solve only one of our problems.

The floor was then opened to attendees who voiced their concerns over several areas of our traffic flow problems. The DOT was unaware of the petition that we filed with Jack Mariano last year, so no action has been taken on it. The LB group asked for a temporary fix with barriers preventing the crossover problem from the north exit of Walmart. They agreed to review the request. The DOT also agreed to supply us with an electronic version of the proposed plans the next day so that we could put them on our website for review. We have not received these yet, however they will be located on our website when received – keep checking! Please review these plans and provide comments to both Mr. Mariano and Amy Neidringhaus at: jmariano@pascocountyfl.net and Amy.Neidringhaus@dot.state.fl.us.

Leisure Beach folks asked for several changes such as:

- disallow u-turns in front of Leisure Beach
- disallow crossover on SR 19 from the north Walmart exit
- provide temporary barriers to prevent crossover from north Walmart exit
- move u-turn lane further north on SR 19
- disallow crossover on SR 19 from DiPaola Dr.
- allow u-turns at the Beacon Woods light, back into Beacon Woods
- allow turns back into and out of Beacon Woods at the Walmart bridge exit on Beacon Woods Drive

Mr. Mariano suggested that Leisure Beach residents should be pushing their own SR 19 redesign requests at community meetings being held across the county. Dates for these meetings will be advertised in local papers, such as the Suncoast News. He said this is a better way for him to provide support for our requirements.

Please consider helping out with the security patrols - it just takes a short application and approval by the county to get you in the driver seat. Applications and information on the duties can be viewed online at: <http://www.pascosheriff.com/websmart/Pasco/static/securityptnl.htm> Schedules are very flexible and can work around your availability. Please contact any board member if you have any questions.

The Great American Clean-up Day is April 16th. A dumpster will be located at the Signal Cove clubhouse for community use. This clean-up is focused on roadside debris and is meant for areas to pick up and dispose of trash. If you find tires or something large that has been discarded, please put these items next to the dumpster. Hours are from 8 AM to 12 Noon.

Wayne, from the Moose Club, invited folks to bring neighborhood children to the Children's Easter Party on April 16th. It is a free event for children up to 12 years old. Event will be at 1 PM and reservations should be made at 727-378-7551. There will be an Easter egg hunt, prizes and candy for all children as well as a visit from the Easter Bunny!

The board will remain the same for 2011 with Doris filling in temporarily until a replacement is found for the Treasurer position. Chuck has asked folks to also consider volunteering for the board and committees. These things do not take a lot of time and benefit all of us. Please give it some thought.

The attendees at the meeting voted to have a community "get together" in December – More information will follow in November.

Welcome to Ron and Brenda McLean from 12821 4th Isle.

A few Reminders:

- If you haven't paid your 2011 dues yet, please get them in. Checks can be sent to LBCA, PO Box 5366, Hudson, FL 34674. This money goes towards many items, including keeping our common areas maintained, meeting costs, staying current on county codes, newsletters, and providing code and safety patrols, making this the great place it is to live.
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The next meeting will be held in the Fall – If you have any questions or problems before then, please call any member of the Board. *Have a great summer!!!!!!*

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We did it! Security car, lights and signage came in under budget. We had a lot of help from Hatfield's Automotive, Castriota Auto, Leisure Beach signs and T Shirts and Peakes Auto Body. When you see these people please say thanks. Many thanks to Jack LaManna, Bob Richard, Rich Galli, Dale Mapstone and Carmon Martin for taking the time to get this done.

Welcome to our new neighbors. We hope you will get to know the good people in your new community.

It looks like there will be several changes to US 19 including the entrance to Beach Blvd.

The best way for YOU to have input is to attend the public meetings at the county center and tell them what you think. If the commissioners and DOT don't hear from you they will have no idea what you want.

We are trying to set a holiday party for this coming December. Most of the members at April's meeting approved the idea, and now we need your help. I know it is early but we need to have an idea of how many would like to come. Please let us know. All input and suggestions are welcome, please call an officer and they will relay the information to us. As we know December will be here very quickly. So let us hear from you.

The board and officers wish everyone a great and safe summer.

Chuck Drago,
President

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Items for sale: 1984 Mercedes Benz – 380SL Roadster, hard & soft tops convertible Sport Coupe, with car cover. Excellent condition - 62K miles, \$15,500 or best offer. Call Helen at 727-534-0228.



LEISURE BEACH NEWSLETTER

March 2011

Prepared by Marcia LaManna

Have you noticed the beautiful moon this past week – very pretty reflecting on the water. We are so fortunate to have homes in such a lovely area!

Our March 7th meeting featured Jack Mariano, our Pasco County Commissioner. He provided a short overview on projects going on within the county. The floor was then opened to attendees who voiced their concerns over several areas, focusing on the traffic safety problems created by the turn lane in front of Leisure Beach. The petition we filed with Jack last year has had no action taken yet. Jack advised us that he would provide plans and a pre-meeting prior to our April meeting – he has not responded to requests for this information, or for the date of our pre-meeting. [Who is representing Leisure Beach in Pasco County business????](#)

Since Mr. Mariano will be back at our April 4th meeting to discuss our traffic problems and the 2012 redesign plans for SR 19, we need a good turnout at this meeting to share our concerns. We would love to prevent a serious injury or fatality from happening to our residents.

Our failing security patrol car has been replaced with a 2008 vehicle to eliminate ongoing repair costs. Quotes are currently being obtained for the lettering and new lights. The car can be viewed at the monthly meetings. Please consider helping out with the patrols, it just takes a short application and approval by the county to get you in the driver seat. Schedules are very flexible and can work around your availability. Please contact any board member if you are interested.

The board will remain the same for 2011 with Doris filling in temporarily until a replacement is found for the Treasurer position. Chuck has asked folks to also consider volunteering for the board and committees. These things do not take a lot of time and benefit all of us. Please give it some thought.

The annual Leisure Beach community-wide garage sale was a resounding success. Folks were happy to do Spring cleaning and get rid of unused items, while a few neighbors were spotted purchasing new treasures in the sales!

If you notice work being performed at the guard house – it is being spruced up by Eric to help keep our community looking nice.

Welcome to guests: Walt Penwarden -12605 5th Isle and Carolyn O'Connor - 12609 2nd Isle.

A few Reminders:

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- Tax time - AARP is offering free tax preparation over at CARES in Hudson, on Clock Tower Drive – call 211 if you are interested.
- Folks are being reminded to report anything suspicious to the Sheriff's Dept. @ 727-844 7711 for any type of unusual activity.
- Overnight parking is not permitted, vehicles may be parked on lawns but not boats, utility trailers, etc.,
- Speed limit in Leisure Beach is 30 mph – please **SLOW DOWN.**
- The March Birthday Luncheon will be held on 3-23 @ 12:30 @ Chili's in Port Richey.

Pease be careful when exiting Leisure Beach onto SR 19.

The next meeting will be held on April 4th. We hope to see you there!!!!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Your meeting this month had a lot going on - Leisure Beach has a new security car - A silver Kia that will have its letters this week with lights to follow. A special thanks to Hatfield's Automotive in Port Richey - they checked out our old car, at no charge, and helped us to make up our mind about purchasing a newer car. Thanks also to Rich Galli, Bob Richard, Dale Mapstone and Jack LaManna who gave time, effort and many suggestions in purchasing this car.

Carol Passa is back! Carol is not quite ready to come to meetings yet, but is well on the road to recovery. Welcome back Carol and John!

Jack Mariano, our county commissioner was our guest speaker and covered a wide range of topics. He will be back at our next meeting on April 4th. He will address some of the other issues that we are interested in and could not get to this meeting.

We held elections and your board and officers remain the same with the exception of Doris Mapstone. Doris will continue as treasurer, but as a temporary. We need someone to step up and help. It will be greatly appreciated by all.

Chuck Drago,
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Message from the Moose Club:

The Moose Club is inviting all children 12 and under for an Easter party on Saturday April 16 at 1:00 PM at the Moose Club on Beach Blvd. There will be free refreshments and egg hunt, as well as prizes for the best hat, cap or bonnet. The Easter Bunny will be there for pictures and hugs.

Items for sale: 1984 Mercedes Benz – 380SL Roadster, hard & soft tops convertible Sport Coupe, with car cover. Excellent condition - 62K miles, \$15,500 or best offer. Call Helen at 727-534-0228.



LEISURE BEACH NEWSLETTER

February 2011

Prepared by Marcia LaManna

The February 7th meeting featured a speaker from Florida Walk-Wise. A short presentation on the safety rules for walking, driving and biking activities was provided. This program was developed because Florida statistics are very high for both deaths and injuries in each of these areas. Walk-Wise provided backpacks w/reflector strips, reflector wrist bands and book marks to meeting attendees.

Our Board met on January 4th regarding the need for a replacement Security vehicle. There was a lot of discussion on the process that will be used to purchase the replacement car. A vote was taken and approved to spend up to \$10,000 for a new vehicle including lights and lettering rather than keep repairing our older vehicle.

Please take a look at the shrubbery and edging around our Leisure Beach entrance sign. Eric recently completed the work by replacing the old edging, weeding, adding plastic under the stone and adding mulch. The area looks much nicer.

Rich Galli reported that we are still having problems with cars parking on the streets at night. Be aware: Orange warning stickers will start being placed on these vehicles, and they will be ticketed the next day if still in violation. A reminder was issued that boats, motor homes, trailers, etc cannot be parked in front yards.

Carmen reported that the Sheriff is patrolling our area with unmarked cars, as well as the regular cars.

Have any unwanted items? Remember your "junk" may be someone else's treasure. The annual Leisure Beach Community-wide Garage Sale will be held March 11th and March 12th, with the Civic association providing the advertising for us.

Dale Mapstone reminded folks we are looking for volunteers for the Board and to replace Doris Mapstone, our Treasurer, who is stepping down at the end of this term. Elections will be held in March. Please consider helping the community out by assisting in one of these roles.

We had several new residents and 1st time attendees at this meeting – They were: JB & Julia Summers from Nautical, Jacque & Tom Applegate from 3rd Isle, Les Ennis from 2nd Isle, Pete DiBella and Ski Bruce from 4th Isle.

Jack Mariano will be at our March 7th meeting, We would like to have a good turnout at this meeting to discuss our traffic problems.

A few Reminders:

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Pease be careful when exiting Leisure Beach onto SR 19.

The next meeting will be held on March 7th. We hope to see you there!!!!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Welcome to the new families of Leisure Beach. We had a very good meeting this month. In addition to having four new families we had a high attendance.

Holly Carapella of Walk Wise Pedestrian Safety gave some interesting stats on pedestrian deaths in Florida. Several tips were given to increase your safety while walking. Interesting to note that Florida is the number one state with pedestrian and bicycle deaths.

March 7th, Jack Mariano, county commissioner will be our speaker. I hope you will be there with some good questions for Jack.

April 5th, we will have a speaker from Pasco County Sheriff's office to speak about some of the frauds and scams that are going on. This should be very interesting.

Elections will be held at the March meeting. You need to be there if you want a say or seek office. Mail in your dues or give them to Doris or another officer.

See you on the medium.

Chuck Drago,
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Message from Bayonet Point Yacht Club:

Liars Night - A free night of Laughs!

Please feel free to join us at the Signal Cove Club House for "Liars Night" on February 28th at 7PM. Bring your tall tales or your super skills for BS detection. The event is *free* and coffee, desserts, snacks and mixers will be provided. Please bring your own drinks. Should be a fun night – please join us!!!!

Website: <http://bpyc.info/>



LEISURE BEACH NEWSLETTER

January 2011

Prepared by Marcia LaManna

Happy New Year from beautiful Leisure Beach!!!!

Many of you enjoyed the colorful Bayonet Point Yacht Club (BPYC) Christmas boat parade in our canals this year – it was something to see! The support from Leisure Beach folks on the shore was great. Please see a note from the Commodore of BPYC regarding this event at the end of the newsletter. Next year we are hoping to expand the holiday activities in Leisure Beach. This could include activities such as judging of homes decorated with Holiday lighting, prizes, more boats entries, and a party after the boat parade.

We have lots of news and great events coming up for our community over the next few months.

Please try to attend our February and March meetings since we have some interesting topics as well as a few giveaways! We are also planning our annual community-wide garage sale and a Leisure Beach Community gathering for us to "get to know our neighbors" sometime this spring. The board would like feedback as to what type of event we should plan.

Reminder – January is our dues month with the annual fee still being \$40 per home. Please watch for the notice and pay them promptly. Checks can be sent to LBCA, PO Box 5366, Hudson, FL 34674. This money goes towards many items, including keeping our common areas maintained, meeting costs, staying current on county codes, newsletters, and providing code and safety patrols, making this the great place it is to live.

Chuck wanted to remind folks – please be careful when exiting Leisure Beach, especially when heading north. There have been many accidents, incidents of folks heading the wrong way, and vehicles crossing 19 without granting the proper right of way – Stay safe by being aware!

Our February 7th speaker will be a representative from the Walk-Wise Pedestrian Safety and they will be providing attendees with free backpacks, reflectors and wristbands. The focus is on bike and pedestrian safety in Florida.

Jack Mariano will be our guest speaker for the March 7th meeting and it is very important to bring any questions or concerns you may have to this meeting. We would like to have a good turnout at this meeting.

Please note that we will be looking for a new Treasurer as Doris will be stepping down at the end of her term. If you are interested in this position, please let one of our Board members know ASAP.

Community code reminders & hints to help keep our community beautiful:

Overnight parking is not permitted, vehicles may be parked on lawns but not boats, utility trailers, etc., speed limit in Leisure Beach is 30 mph – please SLOW DOWN, fences cannot be erected that block the water view in back yards, dog droppings must be picked up, empty homes may have flyers on the ground – please pick up & dispose of them, report any suspicious activity, as well as submerged boats and docks must be taken care of. **A special “Thanks” goes out to all our walkers for picking up trash along the median while out walking.**

The February Birthday Luncheon will be held on 2-16 @ 12:30 @ Ron's Barbecue on St. Rd. 52 in Hudson.

Terry Gedan is looking for ideas for our speakers, so please give her call her with any ideas.

The next meeting will be held on February 7th. We hope to see you there!!!!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

A MATTER OF SAFETY

Please be very careful when entering Beach Blvd. from US 19 north bound. Last week there was a car trying to go to Wal-Mart from our entrance lane and we almost had a head on collision. This was mentioned at the January meeting and the next day there was a head on collision at that very same spot. Be aware that someone may be in the wrong lane when you are coming into Leisure Beach and it may affect you.

The February meeting will have a speaker on pedestrian and public safety. They will be distributing to all attending reflective wrist bands and reflective back packs.

Our March meeting will have Jack Mariano, our county commissioner, as the guest speaker.

Now is the time for dues. Unlike most things there is no increase and the annual fee is still \$40.00.

You can bring your payment to the meeting or send it to the address noted earlier.

Thank you,

Chuck Drago,

President

Message from the Commodore of Bayonet Point Yacht Club, Prentiss Howard:

How about that Christmas Boat Parade this year - Was it great or what? The boats were all dressed in their finest and everybody was having a great time! To the folks who stood in their yards, on the docks, looked out your windows and flashed your lights or blew your fog horns as we went by, Thank You for watching. After all, what good is a parade if no one sees it. I'll tell you folks I am excited about this year's parade and I'm already looking forward to next year and seeing more boats in it!

The winners of the boat parade were: First place - Steve and Jacki Jacobsen, Second place - Robert Armstrong and Third place - Bob and Brenda Parham. Listen, while I've got you guys on the line let me tell you a little bit about Bayonet Point Yacht Club. We meet the second Monday of each month at 7 pm at the Signal Cove Club House. If you would like to come for a visit and stay forever we would love to have you. We try to have some kind of event each month and we get on the water when the weather is good. When the weather is bad we find someplace warm and dry and get something to eat. So if you want to meet down home people come see us.

*Let me say again that your support of the parade this year was appreciated by both the Signal Cove and Leisure Beach communities. **THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU***

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