



October December 2013

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2013-2014 Calendar of Events

Welcome Back Potluck October 7th @ 6:30pm Pavilion

Bonfire December 6th @ Dusk South of Pavilion

Holiday Stroll December 14th @ 4:00pm Pavilion

TI Boat Parade December 21st Treasure Island
Luminaries December 24th Sunset Beach

Environmental Meeting January 6th @ 6:30pm TI Community Center

Italian Dinner February 12th @ 6:30pm TI Community Center

Garage Sale March 8th @ 8:00am Sunset Beach

BBQ April 3rd @ 6:30pm Lion's Club

Easter April 20th

End of Year Potluck May 5th @ 6:30pm Pavilion

2013-2014 Beach Clean Ups

Beach Clean Up Continues to meet the Second Saturday of every month at the Sunset Beach Pavilion at 9am and finishes approximately 12pm. Come for an hour or stay for 3 hrs. Schedule for the rest of the year is as follows: Plug the dates into your phones. Contact **Steve Yost** if you would like to volunteer, sly_yost@yahoo.com.

October 12th November 9th December 14th

January 11th February 8th March 8th

April 12th May 10th June 14th

July 12th August 8th September 13th

3rd Annual Sunset Beach Bonfire – December 6th, 2013 @ Dusk

Join us as we kick off the Holiday Season with the 3rd Annual Bonfire on the Beach.

Please bring a plate of your favorite holiday cookies/treats to share. Hot Chocolate will be provided free of charge. Water will be available for \$1.00. This event is BYOB. All beach rules apply, NO GLASS OR PETS ON THE BEACH PLEASE. Musicians are encouraged to bring their instruments & talents. You never know when a sing-a-long may occur.

We will have a Registration Table to Renew your Annual Memberships, Volunteer for Luminaries & Volunteer for Merriment Stops. Sunset Beach T-Shirts will be for Sale. T-Shirts are available at our events only, plan ahead. Parking passes will be available for the lot located by the Pavilion. The bathrooms at the Pavilion will be available for use. Rain date is Saturday December 7th.

For more information, contact Patrick Fitzgerald, President SBCA, at 727-459-1955 or sunsetbeachpres@gmail.com.

7th Annual Sunset Beach Holiday Stroll – December 14th, 2013 @ 4pm

Come one, Come All.

Santa & Mrs. Claus will lead the way with their horse drawn carriage as we sing and stroll the streets of Sunset Beach. Along the way we will be invited to join neighbors at designated Merriment Stops where we will enjoy treats & libations.

The Holiday Stroll will begin at the Pavilion. Bring your family, friends, pets & don your Holiday wear. After the stroll you are invited to join us at Ka'Tiki for food, drinks & Live Music.

If you would like to volunteer to host a Merriment Stop please contact **Eric Corson** at <u>edcorson@gmail.com</u> or **Dawn Fader** at <u>Dawn@DawnFader.com</u>.

Sunset Beach Christmas Eve Luminaries

On Christmas Eve, as the sun goes down the streets of Sunset Beach will sparkle with over 2400 candle flames. We need your help to keep this tradition alive. If you would like to volunteer to place luminaries on your street or nearby streets please contact **Dawn Fader** at Dawn@DawnFader.com. There will be a Luminary Volunteer Sign Up sheet at the Bonfire.

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President's Message

Happy Fall Sunset Beach Neighbors & Welcome Back Northern friends. After a long hot summer, we are ready for a break from the heat. After enjoying our beautiful beach all summer, sipping Margaritas at our favorite water holes, it time for your Sunset Beach Civic Association to get back to work. We are gearing up for our 3rd Annual Bonfire, The 7th Annual Holiday Stroll, Christmas Eve Luminaries & our Winter Member meeting.

As you will notice, the newsletter has a new look & feel. Our goal is to keep everyone informed of upcoming events with our Printed Newsletter and continue to grow our website that can be used to update residents more frequently. The website (www.SunsetBeachCivicAssociation.org) is available to all Sunset Beach Residents, SBCA Members & Non-Members to Stay Connected on Sunset Beach Events, news from our Commissioner and news from the City of TI. The Newsletter will continue to go out once quarterly to keep everyone up to date.

We have a few projects in the works including replacing the Living On Island Time Sign & adding shade at our Playground at the Pavilion. Please let us know if you have any community projects that you would like for us to help you to explore as we begin a new year with the SBCA.

As we approach the Holiday Season, I would like to wish you Happy Holidays to you and yours. Come out and celebrate with us! Patrick Fitzgerald, SBCA President

Commissioner's Corner - We Will Be Getting Sand!

Hello Sunset Beach!

Good news on the beach, we will be getting sand! Only question is when. All permits are approved and all money is in place. We even have an end of project date. All we need now is a start date, which we should be getting soon. The hold up is St Pete Beach. The Army Corps is going to combine these projects, as they usually do, to save mobilization costs. The budget for Treasure Island's part is 11 million, so where ever they can save money they will. Look for dune planting opportunities after the sand arrives. The commission passed the annual budget with a 11% tax increase. It passed 3-2, with myself & commissioner Coward dissenting. The county also passed an increase, about 8%, so our tax bills will go up this year. Also, a slight increase in the sewer and stormwater fee. Anyone who has walked, or ridden a bike, on Treasure Island's new beach walk has noticed that it is a bit cracked up. The commission is expected to get a report at the regular commission meeting on December 17th.

Happy Thanksgiving, Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas and Happy, Prosperous New Year! See you at the bonfire!

Alan Bildz

SBCA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Join Now! Your membership will help support our SBCA expenses including the Bonfire, Holiday Stroll, Italian Dinner, BBQ, Beach Clean Ups, Beautification Projects & much, much more. Your membership will make a big difference in our community.

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