



Newsletter



November
2009

Help Make Tampa Bay Cleaner *and* Bay Crest Park Greener



Our November 19 General Membership Meeting will host Mr. Dennis Kellenberger, General Manager of Tampa Bay Watch, Inc., a nonprofit stewardship program dedicated to the protection and restoration of the marine and wetland environments of the Tampa Bay Estuary through scientific and educational programs. Tampa Bay Watch trains and organizes citizen volunteers, students, at-risk youth, and civic organizations to participate in environmental projects while heightening community awareness of the fragile nature and importance of the environment.

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Need to start recycling? Need replacement recycling bins? In addition to Mr. Kellenberger's presentation, we will also have representatives from the Hillsborough County Solid Waste Department and Republic Services Inc., our neighborhood waste collection and recycling contractor. We have also invited a special guest for the kids, "Can-Do," the recycling robot!

The meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 PM, following our popular 7:00 PM social hour featuring pizza, subs, desserts, coffee and soft drinks. Our "Kids Corner" will also be open to keep the little ones busy. The meeting will be held at the Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church Family Life Center, 6100 Memorial Highway. Please enter from the church driveway on the west side.

Community Cleanup ("Dumpster Day")
Saturday, December 5
Call 496-9337 to volunteer or for info
Further details to come

BAY CREST PARK HOLIDAY BOAT PARADE

December 12



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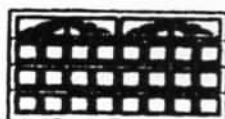
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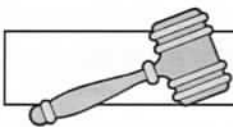
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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Juli Milas

It's the time of year for giving thanks!

I am thankful every day for living in such a great neighborhood filled with people who look out for each other and work very hard to make Bay Crest Park and their community in general a better place. I am particularly thankful for the work of our dedicated Board members. That dedication was obvious at our recent "Family Fun Fest" held October 24. Chairman **Theresa Shell** is to be congratulated for a job well done. Her hard work and attention to detail was obvious, including her order for "perfect weather."

Thanks also to **Norm Coffman**, who coordinated our Membership Drive again this year and continues to do an impressive job of covering the neighborhood, and to **Gil Leimbach** for his meticulous banking and record-keeping. Congratulations also go to long-time Travertine Drive volunteer, **Netta West**, who secured 100% membership participation on the street! She's done this for many years running. Finally, a big thank you to all residents who paid their membership dues during our 2009 Membership Drive. These voluntary donations keep our neighborhood projects and events going strong.

Another great event is coming up as **John Housand** is again organizing our very popular "Holiday Boat Parade" which will be held on December 12th (see the article on page 7). This traditional event is not possible in most neighborhoods and it makes living in our beautiful waterfront community an even greater pleasure. Enjoy the evening on and off the water! Thanks also to those residents that have or are organizing and participating in many upcoming holiday activities for children and adults of all ages.

I saw many of you at the TNC 50 Going Gold celebration on September 19 and I hope you enjoyed the event. I heard many great comments about the history and photographs relating to the early days of our neighborhood like "Oh, I remember that house" and "Gee, we all look young" and "I remember Memorial Highway with it's beautiful oak tree canopy!" It was fun looking back and nice looking forward to making more happy memories of living in Bay Crest Park.

See you at the November 19th General Membership Meeting and Happy Holidays!

Juli



TREASURER'S REPORT

Gil Leimbach

As of October 27, 2009, we have 536 paid members of the Association, or 57% of the homes in Bay Crest Park. Our current treasury balance is \$4394.22.

Our annual dues (a donation, not a required fee) continue to be only \$10 (or more if you choose). If you have not done so yet, please support your neighborhood and mail your membership check today to the Bay Crest Park Civic Association, PO Box 261116, Tampa FL 33685-1116. Please be sure to include your Bay Crest address on your check.



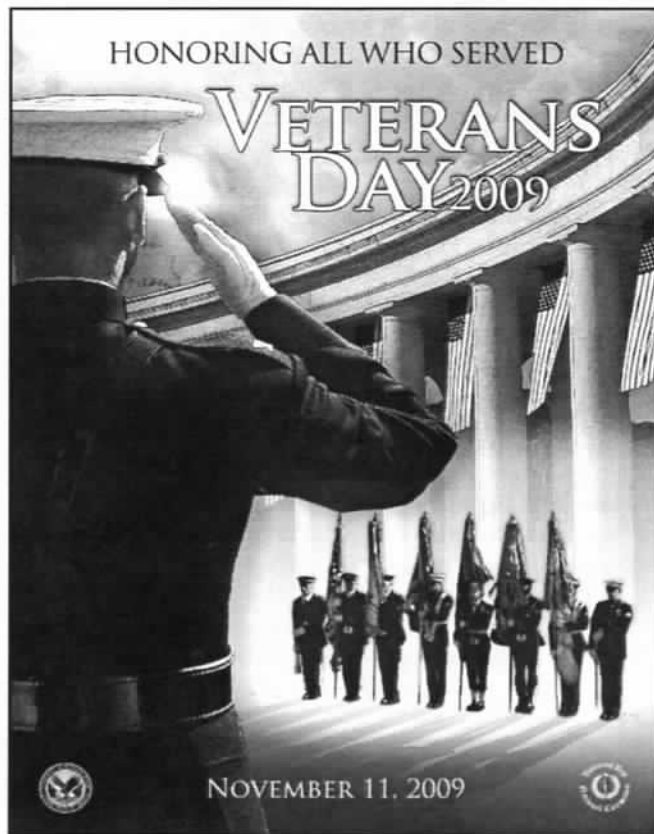
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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Theresa Shell

Juli Milas called the meeting to order at 7:34PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by **Gil Leimbach**. Juli recognized **Norm Coffman** and Wesley Memorial Church for allowing us to conduct our meetings. Juli thanked Gil for hosting the meeting and also **Lynette Peel** for her assistance. **Town & Country Hospital** was recognized for providing the Health Screening during tonight's meeting. Thank you **Marcea, Micah** and **Joanne**! Juli accepted a motion to approve the minutes from the May 28, 2009 General Membership meeting. It was moved, seconded and approved.

Gil announced that the Bay Crest Park Civic Association's current account balance is \$12,403.17 as of July 31, 2009. We have 512 paid members to date.

Juli recognized newcomers **Windy Ancipink, Ginny Cooper, Michelle Cook** and **Steven Wood**.

Deputy Michelle Branscomb with the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Department and our CRD was introduced and shared that there are crimes in the surrounding neighborhoods that a task force is addressing. She reminded us all that school has started and we should report any students who appear to be skipping class. Michelle stated that a reader board would be placed at the entrance of Bay Crest with the truancy number to report an issue. Please be prepared to give a description of the student and location/street where you saw them. Statistics show that 60% of students who skip school will commit a crime.

Paul Morales, Hillsborough County Code Enforcement Officer who is dedicated specifically to our area, explained some of the violations and what we can do.

Juli announced that there are two board member resignations: **Tom Suttle** and **Chet Krupski**. Thank you to Tom and Chet for their many years of support and good work!!

Juli shared that the Mini Grant Program for Shimberg Gardens is in process. The Parks and Recreation department will be working on the park area by the Library soon. It has not been forgotten, just taking a little longer than we had all hoped. Also, the Crisis Center of Tampa Bay presented at the Town & Country Community Council meeting. The Crisis Center is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and can be reached by dialing 211. Town & Country 50th Going Gold is on schedule for September 19 (11:00 – 4:00) at Jackson Springs Park. More information on www.TNC50.com.

Gene Milas introduced **Larry Gispert**, the head of the Hillsborough County Emergency Management Department. Larry shared the facts around storm surge during a hurricane and how it would affect the Tampa Bay area. He stressed that we should all make a plan for our families in the event Bay Crest is ordered to evacuate.

Steve Eggert, an active Bay Crest member, has agreed to chair the newly re-instituted Bay Crest Good Neighbor Patrol. Steve said they are looking for volunteers to help with this valuable patrol to get it going again. Please contact Steve if you can help take a shift.

Juli asked if the group had a preference on the next Bay Crest Community Yard Sale. A vote was taken, and the majority chose October 17 for the next event. More information to come.

Gene reported that the board agreed to have the buffer strip along Memorial Highway worked on and would have the dead trees replaced as well. Also, a landscaping contractor will be going through the community to spray Roundup and edge curbing in the neighborhood. This work is being paid for by the Civic Association.

Door Prize Winners

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Cottage Creations (June Norris of Bay Crest Drive)
– Cookbook and Popcorn – **Marie Reynaud**

With all business concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.

(Victoria Broome took minutes in the absence of Secretary Theresa Shell)



County Emergency Management Director Speaks at August Meeting



Our program speaker for the August General Membership Meeting was Mr. **Larry Gispert**, Director of the Hillsborough County Emergency Management Department.

Larry brought a unique blend of education, entertainment and fun to the meeting with his stories and experiences in tracking and evaluating damage from numerous large hurricanes in the past several years. These included Katrina, Andrew, Camille, Ike, Donna and many others. He offered fascinating data about where hurricanes landed, what damage they did, and the heights of flood surges caused by the high winds.

Hillsborough County with overlays of the portions that would be underwater in a major storm surge. He also showed many first-responder photographs of damage from major storms, particularly Katrina.

He showed graphically the landfall points of storms over many years, and noted that the Tampa area has never had a direct hit from a major storm and that we are overdue. He also emphasized hurricane preparedness and planning, especially in planning your route and timing to escape a major storm. His bottom line: "Don't wait until the last minute."

Mr. Gispert concluded the thought-provoking presentation with a question and answer session.

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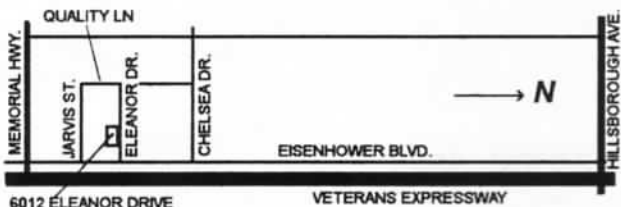
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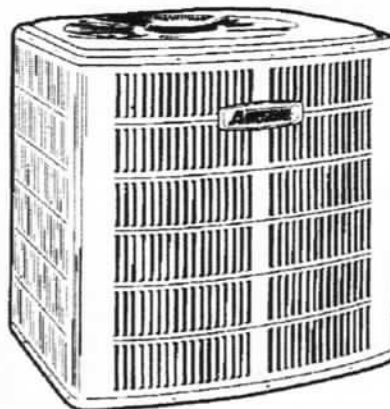
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Avast, Maties – It's Time for the Annual Bay Crest Park Holiday Boat Parade!



Stand by on your decks, docks, yards and other viewing points for the 10th Annual Bay Crest Holiday Boat Parade on Saturday, December 12.

Skippers, it's time to clean up your boats, dust off the lights and begin planning your decorating scheme. The fleet will begin the tour at The Reserve at 6:45 PM and cruise through the Bay Crest canals, ending at Tahiti Lane at approximately 9:00 PM.



Our event chairman, **John Housand**, encourages all boat owners to be creative. Great prizes will be given in several categories. To enter your boat, **call or e-mail John at 290-0626 or jhousand@tampabay.rr.com**. As always, cheer for your favorites, but please don't toss beads or other items into the canals. Great spots to view the procession are on Bay-pointe Drive and at Peel Park at the end of Bay Crest Drive.

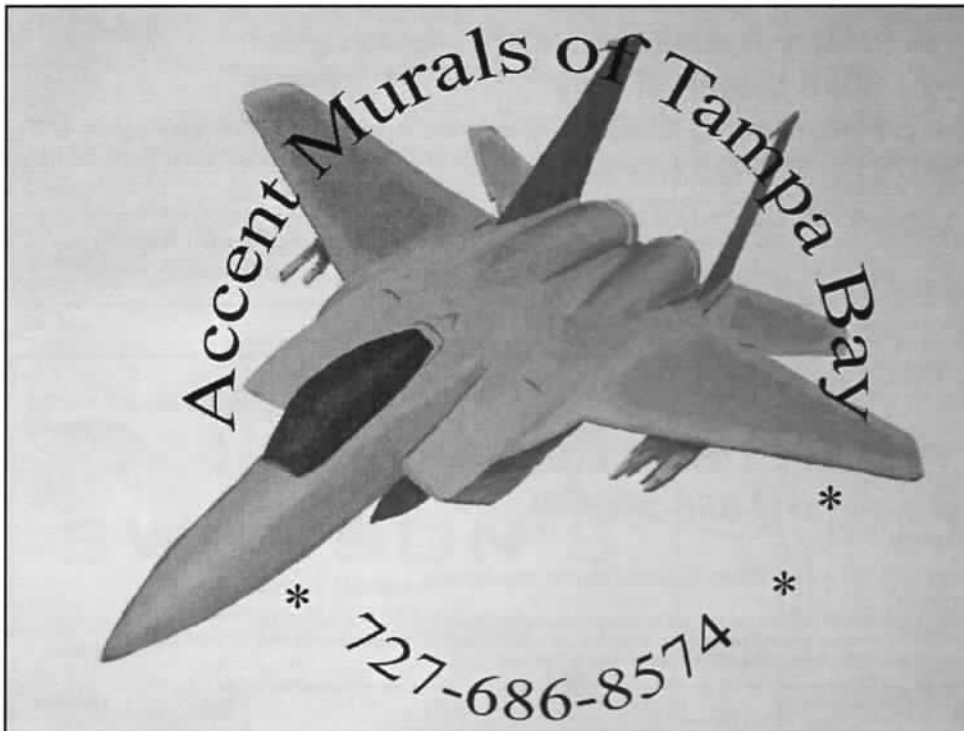


Santa to Arrive in Bay Crest Park Sunday, December 13

It's that time again! The plump old elf in the red suit will appear again this year at the Bay Crest Drive "Santa Arrives" event, to be held **Sunday, December 13**.

Location: Mini-park ("Peel Park")
at the end of Bay Crest Drive

Time: 2:00 to 4:00 PM
(Santa will appear PROMPTLY at 2:30 PM)



Please bring a wrapped gift for your child (up to 12 years old), with the child's name on the gift. Deliver gifts to **Lynette Peel**, 4621 Bay Crest Drive, no later than 1:00 PM on the day of the event.

For more information, call **Lorraine Mathes** at 885-5384.



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Bay Crest Elementary Covered Play Court Dedicated

With children marching into the area to Olympics-themed music, staff, parents and others gathered Friday morning, August 28 to dedicate the long-awaited play court cover at Bay Crest Elementary School.

The project, funded by the Bay Crest PTA, Hillsborough County, and several donors (including our Civic Association), will protect children from excess sun and heat during outside activities. The project also included painting and refurbishing the court surface and the surrounding walkway.



The photo at left shows the school mascot, "Jonathan Livingston Seagull." At right, the children assemble for the ribbon-cutting event, which was conducted by Principal Susan Parks.



Support the Kaye Prox Food Bank --*"Providing emergency food to needy families, elderly, and the homeless in our community."*

The Kaye Prox Food Bank, located at the Lutheran Church of Our Savior, 8401 West Hillsborough, now serves 90 to 100 families a week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 3:00 PM until 4:30 PM. Also served are the area's 30-40 homeless persons on the same days. Home deliveries are provided to the most needy in our community twice a month. Kaye Prox began this ministry in the 70's and worked tirelessly until her death in 2002.



This unique volunteer program is a combined effort of five area churches – Lutheran Church of Our Savior, Incarnation Catholic Church, First Reformed Presbyterian, Wesley Memorial United Methodist and Wellspring United Methodist. The partner churches do monthly food drives, collect monetary donations and provide valued volunteers. There are also volunteers from the community that may not have a church affiliation or are not a member of a partner church. The requirement of being a volunteer is "a desire to help the needy." Volunteer opportunities are available outside the food bank hours, including making sandwiches for the homeless, picking up bakery items from Publix on Mondays and Fridays and helping with food deliveries.

The Kaye Prox Food Bank is a member of America's Second Harvest and Tampa Bay Harvest. This affiliation helps obtain food at handling fee prices and use food that would normally be destroyed.

Please bring non-perishable canned or bagged food items to our next General Membership Meeting on November 19. Help the Kaye Prox Food Bank help families, children and individuals in need.

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Curbs more appealing. Again this year, the Association contracted for a community-wide curbside cleanup. In the past few months, a contractor has been spraying grass and weeds that have grown into and over the curbs with herbicide then following with edging and blowing. This once-a-year effort helps our overall community appearance, but would be less necessary if all our residents kept their curbside grass trimmed and edged. Please help keep our curbs more "appealing" by maintaining a neat appearance year-round.

Keep grass trimmings under control. On a similar note, please don't leave yard grass clippings in the street or gutters (photo at right). They wash directly to the bay, reducing oxygen level for fish and promoting algae growth and pollution (not to mention adding still more silt to our canals). Use a blower to clear the streets and tell your lawn service people to keep the curbs and sewers clear of clippings.

Shrubs being replaced. Over several water-restricted years and some motor vehicle accidents, many of the wax myrtle plantings on the Memorial Highway buffer strip have died, grown poorly, or been mowed down. The Association contracted for new plantings, and work has recently been completed to fill in numerous "holes" with 17 new bushes. We're keeping our fingers crossed for enough rain to ensure the new plants will flourish.



"Bargain" day. If the photo looks like your garage, then you could be having the equivalent of a big sale at the home store...*except that your customers will be thieves.* Leaving your garage door (and car doors) open are like advertising "Here's the stuff – come and get it!" Be sure your property is secure 24/7, including the garage, car

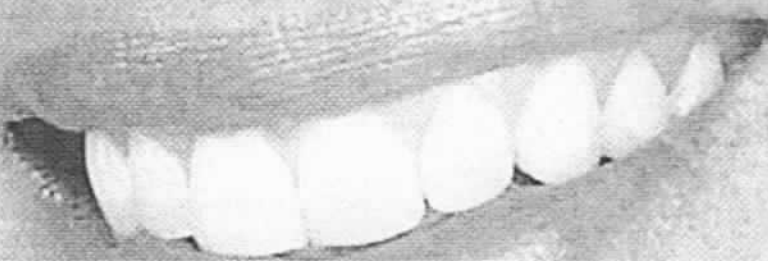
AND doors to your home. Many thefts occur because the bad guys can just walk in. Our Good Neighbor Patrol (see page 15) advises that many garage doors are left open in Bay Crest. Protect yourself and your stuff at no cost – lock it up!

Why not use the sidewalks? We are fortunate to have sidewalks in most areas of Bay Crest Park, so why do so many choose the middle of the street to walk or run? It creates an unnecessary danger for drivers and pedestrians, particularly at hours when visibility is poorer. Please use the sidewalks where they exist.

Are you recycling? The County is challenging all residents of Bay Crest Park to recycle more! Start recycling more right now by putting your recycling bins out every week filled to the brim with recyclables. Don't have recycling bins? Need new ones? No problem. Go to the County's **new** recycling Web site, www.hillsboroughrecycles.org, to request yours today.

Holiday music. The annual Christmas Ecumenical Choir Concert features the massed choirs from several area churches. Non-denominational seasonal and sacred music at Incarnation Catholic Church, Sunday, December 20 at 7:00 PM. A musical treat for all ages.

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Bay Crest Family Fun Fest **"Hooper's Hollow" Saturday, October 24**

The Bay Crest Park Annual Picnic, this year named the "Family Fun Fest" took place on Saturday, October 24 at the "Hooper's Hollow" picnic grounds adjacent to the Shrine Temple on Dana Shores Drive.

Upwards of 200 Bay Crest residents took advantage of a beautiful fall day to participate in this great annual event. We enjoyed good food, drink, music, entertainment and many door prizes. As in past years, a delicious barbeque meal was prepared and served by Sonny's. The event was again chaired by Association Secretary **Theresa Shell**, who coordinated many volunteers and sponsors during the day and for many weeks leading up to the event.

Thanks to our many volunteers, friends and sponsors who made the event possible through their generous gifts of merchandise and time. Thanks also to those who brought many delicious desserts.

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Community Yard Sale October 17

A large number of Bay Crest residents participated in the latest semi-annual community yard sale event on Saturday, October 17. With the weather cooperating, a record 69 families put out their trash and treasures in the early morning.

The popular event was advertised heavily, with ads in both major newspapers, the Northwest Shopper, the Flyer, Craigslist and our newsletter, with numerous signs also placed in the neighborhood and fronting Memorial Highway. In addition, Chairman **Norm Coffman** also placed large banners at the main entrances to attract more visitors from the area. The banners will be used for all future events as well, as we continually try to expand the publicity and participation in the community sale.

Streets with good participation included Bay Crest Lane, Travertine Drive and Baypointe Drive with four sales each. Boxwood Drive and Hickorywood Drive had five, and Stolls Avenue six. "Champion" streets were Bay Crest Drive with nine sales and Flagstone Drive with seven. Overall, 24 streets had sales.

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Good Neighbor Patrol is Born Again



Good News! The Bay Crest Park Good Neighbor Patrol has been reactivated.

With the efforts of new Chairman **Steve Eggert** (shown addressing the August meeting) and two dozen eager volunteers, the neighborhood's "observe and report" citizen patrol is now in full operation. Steve reports that 24 volunteers have signed on to cruise the community on a regular basis to note any

potential problems. These include suspicious activities, loitering of unknown people or vehicles, possible code violations, and any other events that may cause problems, law enforcement or otherwise.

The role of the volunteer is to observe and report, keeping close ties with the Sheriff's Department, Code Enforcement, Solid Waste, and other County agencies. Volunteers have no direct involvement in enforcement or investigation.

Steve notes that volunteers can patrol on their own schedule, taking a week's assignment at a time. To sign up for service in this worthwhile cause, call Steve at **885-3406** or email him at sjeggert@tampabay.rr.com.

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December 2009

December 1 – Wednesday – Noon
Circle Meeting – TNC Rec Center
Program: Member Plant Exchange

Circle tour of Florida Botanical Gardens,
Largo – Date and time TBA

January 2010

January 6 – Wednesday – Noon
Circle Meeting – TNC Rec Center
Program: "15 Must Have Perennials"
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February 2010

February 3 – Wednesday – Noon
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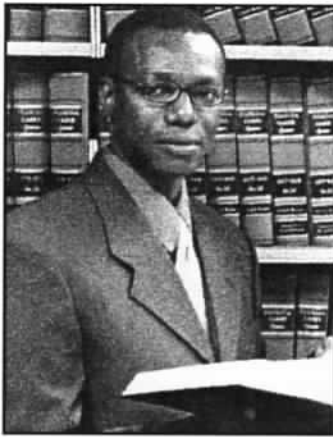
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Town N' Country Celebrates "Going Gold" September 19

Several hundred area residents, dignitaries and guests attended the gala anniversary event celebrating the 50th anniversary of the founding of Town N' Country Park. The event was held at Jackson Springs Park. A large group of volunteers from many area neighborhoods (including Bay Crest Park) worked tirelessly for many months planning the event, which included live music, picnic food, guest speakers, historical items and memorabilia, children's activities and games and a silent auction. Food was prepared by students from the Leto High School Culinary Arts Program. County Parks and Recreation, the Town N' Country Youth Council and many adult volunteers provided setup and teardown labor and manned concessions. Congratulations to all for a fine event!



Photos clockwise from top left: Volunteers Juli Milas and Rosemarie Middleton are joined by Commissioner Rose Ferlita; Kids are entertained by visiting with a porcupine provided by Lowry Park Zoo; The Main Stage featured continuous entertainment and local talent; Dining on a picnic lunch at Jackson Springs Park; Sheriff's Deputy Michelle Branscomb and daughter.

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Code Enforcement – Residential Property Maintenance



Hillsborough County's Minimum Code Ordinance requires that property be maintained and kept free from nuisances, structural defects and deterioration. The purpose of this Ordinance is "...to secure the public safety, health and general welfare of the citizens of Hillsborough County, Florida." This Ordinance regulates the condition of the property including overgrown conditions, accumulations of junk, trash or debris, the storage of inoperable vehicles, and various other nuisance conditions, as well as the conditions of all buildings or structures located on the property.

Q. What is overgrowth?

A: Overgrowth is defined by the County as the growth of grass, weeds or underbrush in a height exceeding ten (10) inches within twohundred (200) feet of a building, structure, recreational area, or street right-of-way and is determined by the County to create a nuisance for the surrounding community.

Q: When is a vehicle considered to be inoperable?

A: Hillsborough County's Minimum Code Ordinance defines an inoperable vehicle as one which "...is in a state of disrepair and or incapable of being moved under its own power."

Q: What other things are considered to be a nuisance?

A: Nuisances are intentionally given a very broad definition, as the intent is to address conditions that affect the public's safety, health or general welfare. A nuisance can mean:

"any nuisance as defined by law, or any attractive nuisance that may be detrimental to children whether in or near a building or upon an unoccupied lot. This includes, but is not limited to, abandoned wells, excavations, unclean swimming pools; abandoned iceboxes, refrigerators and motor vehicles; structurally unsound fences or structures, lumber, trash, debris; unsanitary conditions or anything offensive to the senses or dangerous to health, including the emission of odors, sewage, human waste, liquids, gases, dust, smoke, vibration or noise, or whatever may render air, food, or drink detrimental to the health of human beings; physical conditions such as, but not limited to, old, dilapidated, abandoned scrap or metal, paper, building materials and equipment, bottles, glass, appliances, furniture, rags, rubber, motor vehicles, and parts thereof, and physical conditions posing fire hazards, physical conditions posing a hazard, such as, but not limited to, dead or damaged trees."

Q: What parts of a building are regulated by this Ordinance?

A: In a word -all. This Ordinance requires that all "...buildings, structures and parts thereof shall be maintained in sound condition, good working order, and in a safe and sanitary manner." Specific regulations are included to address roofs, walls, windows, fire safety, mobile homes, and much more. Hillsborough County's Minimum Code Ordinance is available online in the "Publications" section of Code Enforcement's Website.

Q: How can I report a suspected violation?

A: Suspected violations of this code can be reported in several ways: phone, website, fax or in person.

Q: Can I remain anonymous when registering a complaint?

A: Yes. We do not require that you provide any personal information when registering your complaint. Remember that all information you choose to provide to the County, including names, phone numbers, or email addresses, is subject to the Public Record Laws. In other words, we must provide this information to anyone who asks for it. If you wish to remain completely anonymous, do not provide your personal information when registering the complaint.

Q: What do I do if I've received a notice of violation?

A: If you have any questions about what is required of you to achieve compliance with Hillsborough County's Code, please contact the Investigator assigned to your case. The Investigator's name is listed at the bottom of the notice you received. The goal of Code Enforcement is to preserve the quality and value of public and private property, and maintain a high standard of living by eliminating conditions that threaten the life, health, safety, and general welfare of the public. The department recognizes that this goal is most effectively achieved through the education of, and cooperation with, the citizens of Hillsborough County.



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The Code Enforcement Investigator for Bay Crest Park is Mr. Paul Morales. For information or to report a suspected code violation, call him at 813-274-6617. E-mail is moralespj@hillsboroughcounty.org.



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SERVICES

Adoptive/foster Parents Wanted. The Children's Home at 10909 Memorial Highway is always looking for families who want to adopt a child or offer long-term foster care. For more info, call Ellen Fisher at 855-4435, Ext. 2037.

Elder Net Services. This service, offered by the Crisis Center of Tampa Bay, provides daily reassurance calls, helps reduce feelings of isolation and loneliness, and provides peace of mind. It's also a source for information and referral, case management, and chore service. To learn more, call 964-1577.

Miss Myrle's Pet Reunification Service. If you have lost your pet or have found one, call Myrle. She's our Bay Crest neighborhood clearinghouse for such information and performs a very valuable service. To report a pet either lost or found, call her at 885-2205.



Bay Crest Service Providers. The residents listed below offer the services listed to their Bay Crest neighbors. If you would like to get your name on this list, call 884-5511. You must be an association member in good standing to receive this service. **Note that the Association does not endorse any person listed, but only provides names as a service to the community. If you are currently listed and have revisions or wish to be removed, please call 884-5511.**



| Service Offered | Name | Adult | Phone |
|--|----------------------|-------|----------|
| Adult Care | Sidrah Audifferen | Yes | 887-5704 |
| | Frederika Grondijs | Yes | 886-4757 |
| | Diane Moore | Yes | 884-1777 |
| | Joey Winborg | Yes | 886-6563 |
| Babysitting | Mikhaila Fabian | Yes | 884-5267 |
| | Wendy Hall | Yes | 881-0704 |
| | Maureen McAuliffe** | No | 884-8452 |
| | Annette Rodriguez*** | No | 598-4377 |
| | Carly Sharrock** | No | 889-9337 |
| Errands, Shopping, Misc. | Maria Oakley | Yes | 888-8192 |
| Estate Sales, Garage Clean-outs, Hauling | Chet Krupski | Yes | 886-3722 |
| Home Repairs & Maintenance | Charlie Griffin | Yes | 885-6699 |
| | Dana Oakley | Yes | 888-8192 |
| House Cleaning | Rose DeLucia | Yes | 884-5621 |
| | Casie Moore | Yes | 884-1777 |
| Ironing Service | Donna Fiore | Yes | 884-7769 |
| Lawn Mowing | Andre Martins | No | 245-4215 |
| Mobile Notary Service | Heidi Fritz | Yes | 263-9521 |
| Moving and Hauling | Michael Mandia | Yes | 355-1787 |
| Painting and Pressure Cleaning | George Hammond | Yes | 841-5980 |
| Pet Care | William Carey | No | 885-7944 |
| | Lorraine Mathes* | Yes | 885-5384 |
| | Steve Sharrock | Yes | 889-9337 |
| Plumbing, Electrical, General Home Repair | Andy Tom | Yes | 924-4508 |
| Sewing and Alterations | Gloria Jensen | Yes | 887-4654 |
| Pressure Washing, Roof Cleaning, Landscaping, Misc. | Michael Harrell | Yes | 679-7657 |
| Tutoring | Andre Martins | No | 245-4215 |



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2009 BAY CREST PARK COMMUNITY EVENT SCHEDULE

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|---|---|
| Board of Directors Meeting – Wesley Memorial - 7:30 PM..... | Last Tuesday of each month (except Dec) |
| Community Cleanup "Dumpster Day" | Saturday, December 5 |
| General Membership Meeting – Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church..... | November 19 |
| Holiday Boat Parade..... | Saturday, December 12 |
| Hazardous Household Waste Accepted at Sheldon Road – 8:00 AM -2:00 PM | First Saturday of each month |
| Taxing District Board Meetings – Town & Country Library – 7:00 PM..... | Second Monday of each month (except July) |



GOOD TELEPHONE NUMBERS TO KEEP

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| Animal Services | 744-5660 | Mosquito Control | 635-5400 |
| Auto Problems (Lemon Law)..... | 800-321-5366 | Parks & Recreation | 635-3500 |
| Bay Area Car Pooling Service | 282-8200 | Pets, Lost & Found in Bay Crest | 885-2205 |
| Building Permits..... | 272-5600 | Poison Control Center..... | 800-222-1222 |
| > Code Compliance..... | 635-7313 | Port Authority (Dock Permits) | 905-5031 |
| Canals - Permits/Questions | 905-7678 | Post Office (Paula Drive) | 888-6839 |
| Chamber of Commerce..... | 855-4233 | Price Gouging Hotline..... | 866-966-7226 |
| Child Abuse (Emergency)..... | 224-9911 | Public Service Commission | 800-342-3552 |
| Child Care Licensing..... | 272-6487 | Public Works Department (County)..... | 635-5400 |
| Child Neglect..... | 800-962-2873 | Rental Property Inspections | 274-6651 |
| Citizen Action Center | 272-5900 | Roadway Maintenance (WSU) | 554-5006 |
| Code & Housing Enforcement..... | 274-6600 | Roadway Maintenance (State) | 744-6038 |
| > Illegal Sign Removal..... | 274-6600 | Roadway Maintenance (City of Tampa) | 622-1940 |
| Consumer Protection Agency..... | 903-3430 | R-O-W Mgt. Office (Permits) | 274-6500 |
| Contractor Problems..... | 272-5600 | School System | 272-4000 |
| County Commissioners: | | Sewer Department (County) | 272-6680 |
| Rose Ferlita (District 1)..... | 272-5470 | > (Emergency) | 744-5600 |
| Kevin Beckner (At Large)..... | 272-5730 | Sexual Predators (FDLE)..... | 888-226-1140 |
| Jim Norman (At Large)..... | 272-5725 | Sheriff (Main Office Dispatcher) | 247-8200 |
| Mark Sharpe (At Large) | 272-5735 | >District III Office..... | 247-0330 |
| Crisis Center | 211 | >Environmental Abuse | 247-8605 |
| Elder Help Line | 273-3779 | >Marine Patrol Unit | 276-2608 |
| Elder Net Services..... | 964-1577 | Small Claims Court | 276-8100 |
| Electronics Equipment Recycling..... | 621-2319 | Solid Waste (County)..... | 272-5680 |
| Environmental Protection (County) | 627-2600 | State Rep. Faye Culp | 272-2920 |
| Environmental Deputy | 690-8564 | State Senator Victor Crist... .. | 975-6658 |
| Florida DEP Marine Patrol | 632-7600 | Tampa Electric Co | 223-0800 or 228-1111 |
| Free/Low Cost Medicines | 941-753-2262 | >Emergency Reporting | 877-588-1010 |
| HARTline..... | 623-5835 | >Malfunctioning Street Lights..... | 223-0800 |
| Hospitals: | | Traffic Sign Repair (County) | 635-5400 |
| St. Joseph's..... | 870-4000 | Trash Pickup (Republic Waste Service) | 265-0292 |
| Shriner's Children's..... | 888-665-5437 | Truancy Reporting | 975-2018/9 |
| Tampa General | 844-7000 | US Rep. Kathy Castor..... | 871-2817 |
| Town & Country..... | 888-7060 | Veterans Affairs | 975-2181 |
| VA Hospital..... | 972-2000 | Water Department (City - Emergency) | 274-7400 |
| Library (TN/C Regional)..... | 273-3652 | Water Resource Services (County)..... | 272-6680 |
| Medicaid (State of Florida)..... | 871-7600 | West Service Unit..... | 554-5006 |
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WHAT TO PLANT IN NOVEMBER

FLOWERS: Annuals: Ageratum, Alyssum, Baby's Breath, Blue Sage, Calendula, California Poppy, Celosia, Cleome, Delphinium, Dianthus, Dusty Miller, Gazania, Geranium, Hollyhock, Impatiens, Lobelia, Nasturtium, Ornamental Cabbage/Kale, Pansy, Petunia, Phlox (annual), salvia (annual), Snapdragon, Stock, Sweet Pea, Verbena, Viola, Wax Begonia.

VEGETABLES: Beets, Broccoli, Cabbage, Carrots, Cauliflower, Celery, Chinese Cabbage, Collards, Kohlrabi, Lettuce, Mustard, Onions (bulbing and bunching), Peas, Radish, Spinach, Strawberry, Turnips.

HERBS AND SPICES: Anise, Basil, Bay Laurel, Borage, Caraway, Cardamon, Chervil, Chives, Cilantro/Coriander, Dill, Fennel, Garlic, Ginger, Horehound, Lemon Balm, Lovage, Marjoram, Mexican Tarragon, Mint, Nasturtium, Oregano, Rosemary, Sage, Savory, Thyme, Watercress.

BULBS: African Lily, Amaryllis, Aztec Lily, Calla, Crinum, Elephant Ears, Gladiolus, Lapeirousia, Louisiana Iris, Moraea, Narcissus, Pineapple Lily, Shell Ginger, Society Garlic, Spider Lily, Walking Iris.

WHAT TO DO IN NOVEMBER

Plant and fertilize annuals.

Fertilize citrus trees if not done in October

Sidedress vegetable plants with fertilizer.

Set strawberry plants. November is the last month to plant strawberries.

Plant winter ryegrass seed.

Reduce irrigation frequency as weather cools. Lawn and landscape irrigation should be reduced during winter months. Adjust time clocks to conform to time changes or turn off sprinkler systems completely and water only when plants or the lawn need it.

Plant containerized roses. Plant roses now for a beautiful spring display. Prepare a good rose bed, buy roses grafted on Fortuniana or Dr. Huey rootstocks, and plant them at the same depth as in the containers. Antique or old garden roses do not need to be grafted.

Plant cold-hardy landscape plants. Fall is for planting. Cold-hardy trees and shrubs establish well during cooler months. Check poinsettias for poinsettia hornworms. Young worms can be controlled with an insecticide. Handpick mature worms.

Root-prune plants scheduled for transplanting. The best time to transplant trees and shrubs is December through February. Root-prune them now to help them survive the move. Cut a 12-15 inch circle around the plant, slicing the roots with a shovel to a depth of 12 inches. When transplanting (four to six weeks later) dig four inches beyond the root-pruned area.

Monitor the vegetable garden. Continue planting fall vegetables. Apply two to four pounds of 8-8-8, or 1 or 2 pounds of 15-15-15, or similar fertilizer per 100 square feet every 2-3 weeks. Watch for caterpillar feeding and spray with *Bacillus Thuringiensis* if detected. Aphids and other soft-bodied insects can be controlled with insecticidal soap. Remove young weed seedlings. Apply mulch.

Bring houseplants in for the winter. Houseplants set outside for the summer should be cleaned up and set in protected areas before the temperature dips below 55°F.

Divide and reset perennials. Continue to dig and replant herbaceous perennials and bulbs such as daylilies, gerberas, and caladiums. Use horticultural oil to control scale insects. Horticultural oil sprays are an effective and environmentally safe way to control scale insects. The oil coats the scale and suffocates it.