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GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, August 10, 2010, 7:00 pm Sea Isle School Cafe
Guest Speaker -Columnist, Vance Lauderdale

KIOSK/BULLETIN BOARD

SIPNA is very proud to announce that **Tommy Crawford** and his crew have nearly completed the kiosk/bulletin board. If you haven't seen it, view it in its location just a few feet north of the east parking lot at Sea Isle School. Yes, more improvements to our park!

"The heat has been our worst enemy while building this kiosk," stated **Crawford**. "We've had a few ups and downs that I hadn't anticipated but we've worked around them and I believe most folks will be proud of the end results. I hope everyone using the park and walking trail will take pride and help us care for it." Materials have been donated by many companies and individuals who couldn't physically help. A plaque will be permanently displayed listing the contributors. We are still in need of about \$400+ for the final phases for this project. **Please** send your checks earmarked to the kiosk fund to help us out. Thank you!



2nd ANNUAL SEA ISLE PARK FEST

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2010

It's time to start getting organized for the Park Fest. Last year we had over 350 people to attend our first event and this year we are hoping to double that figure. The churches that participated last year are returning and we hope all the churches within our borders will participate. **Molly Laster** hopes to provide a liaison for each church. We also welcome back our wonderful police and fire departments that help us every year.

Our purpose is to celebrate the wonderful park that anchors our neighborhood and provides a fun family based festival for our residents. At the same time we want to promote neighborhood awareness through SIPNA and to organize neighborhood watch programs.

Anyone who wishes to volunteer please contact **Alan Bolton** or any of the board members; our contact information is in this newsletter. We will need several volunteers beyond last year. There is a need for setup and cleanup crews along with someone to organize the volunteers.

This year's entertainment will be the band **Back Stage Pass**, a popular Memphis band that has played throughout the mid-south for many years. Several of the band members live in our neighborhood, so let's be sure to support them.

If you are interested please contact:

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Summer time is grass season. City ordinances require the grass to be less than 12 inches tall, but shorter is better to prevent insects, rats, and snakes from taking up residence. If there is a vacant house on your street, please consider taking turns with your neighbors to cut the grass. The city is weeks behind on cutting because of the many, many foreclosures across the city. SIPNA, thankfully, has fewer of these distressed properties; surely we can take care of them ourselves. It's the neighborly thing to do and increases your property's value.

DID YOU KNOW?

Martha's Manor is a day program for women with disabilities currently located in the shopping center at 5137 Quince Rd. In the twenty five years since its inception, **Martha's Manor** and director **Mike Hodges** have created a place for women age 22 and older to interact, be creative, learn life skills, and form human bonds and relationships.

Because landlords have doubled their rent, **Martha's Manor** needs financial help. Gill Properties (**Brown Gill's** family is a member of our neighborhood association) has donated its time to find the ladies a new home to move into in September. The long range goal is for **Martha's Manor** to own a small structure in which they can operate. Every dollar donated will go towards that goal. Please visit www.marthasmanor.com for more information.

Lastly, if there are any ladies with special needs in the Sea Isle community, please contact **Martha's Manor** or find them on facebook or call 833-6244.

THE DOGS DAYS OF SUMMER

Well, they have officially arrived: the dog days of summer, occurring from July 24 to August 24 according to ancient Roman history. Romans believed the dog days (dies canicularies) were the hottest and driest days of the summer and were associated with the star, Sirius, the brightest in the constellation Canis Major (large dog). In fact, at the beginning of the dog days, the Romans sacrificed a brown dog to appease the wrath of Sirius, supposedly the cause of the unrelentlessly hot weather. So be sure to stay cool and hydrated during the dog days. And that goes for your dogs (and other pets) too!

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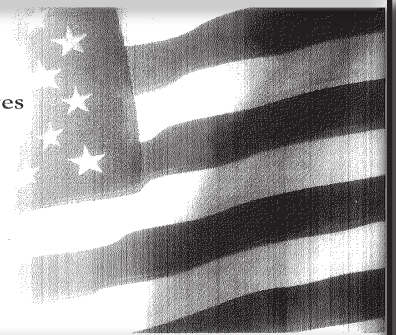
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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Neighbors:

Cure for the summertime blues? The Sea Isle Park Neighborhood Association is trying to do our part. As you read through the newsletter, and I hope you do, you'll notice several articles from our fellow neighbors, friends and acquaintances.

The articles reflect a balance of neighbors assisting neighbors with **Martha's Manor**, a great new addition to Sea Isle Park with our very own kiosk that was built by the physical contribution of neighbors and Friends of Sea Isle Park and our 2nd annual SIP'fest.

So please take the opportunity to read about these stories that show the spirit of our great neighborhood. Also if you can, please send in your SIPNA membership application and dues. SIPNA offers a great value for a nominal membership fee of \$20.00 per household or \$25.00 for businesses.

P.S. Checkout SIPNA on Facebook and become a friend to keep up with the latest news and events!

Philip Laster

President, Sea Isle Neighborhood Park Association

SPEAKER FOR AUGUST 10 GENERAL MEETING...

Columnist **Vance Lauderdale**, whose column "Ask Vance" appears in Memphis Magazine, will be our guest speaker at the Sea Isle Park Neighborhood Association general meeting on August 10. By the way, our neighborhood was featured by Vance in the July issue of Memphis Magazine. Pick one up! Bring questions and pictures for **Vance** on August 10, 2010, at 7pm in the Sea Isle School Cafeteria.

PARK COMMITTEE REPORT



Watering trees and flowerbeds is in full swing at Sea Isle Park!

A big THANKS to everyone that has taken ownership of trees and kept them watered this summer. Please continue to water until mid September or later if it stays hot.

Kevin Kent and his brother, **Joe**, have placed a bench at the park in memory of their dad, State Representative **Joe Kent**, District 83. It is located near the exercise area on the Estate side of the park. Come by and take a look!

We have had some vandalism to the trees at the park this summer. If you see anyone mistreating the trees or anything else at the park, please call **545-COPS**.

On July 8 we had students from the Memphis Ambassadors Program(MAPS) come to the McWherter Center for a community service project. One of the things they did that day was to help us water trees. Thank you to those young men and women for a job WELL DONE.

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Thank You!



Remember your dues are now due on the month that corresponds with the *Letter Chart* examples below.

Cranberry – January

Laster - April

Merrill – July

Vincent – October

A thru F → JANUARY

G thru L → APRIL

M thru R → JULY

S thru Z → OCTOBER

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