

President's Message



Hello neighbors!

At a corporate retreat last year one of the questions posed to our group as an icebreaker was, "What was your first job for money?"

Here we were, a group of highly trained professionals

at the top of our specialties giving answers like babysitting, mowing lawns, working at Dunkin Donuts, bussing tables, and so forth - all very noble occupations, just hard to imagine for someone currently very strongly associated with just one profession. More than 50 people shared with the other attendees descriptions, often humorous, of their first forays into the job world. Do you remember the first job someone paid YOU to do?

During the exercise it was clear that most people seemed to have a fondness for their first jobs. A few people, however, did say it motivated them to work harder on finding a different career! What I took away was that the overwhelming thing the job gave people was a feeling of usefulness, the sense of teamwork, camaraderie and satisfaction for completing a task and serving others. There appeared to be a feeling of importance tied to the work and of accomplishment when another paycheck was put toward helping to pay for that first car, possibly.

For many of us it's probably hard to imagine a time when life centered around just one job. The truth is that all of us have many different jobs and roles in our lives. Some of these are paid with money and many are not, however, that doesn't mean there is no

compensation. The motivations for doing work are as different as there are individuals, and the rewards vary considerably as well.

Your Indian Beach Sapphire Shores board of directors works very hard at balancing the work our neighborhood needs with our other jobs and roles in our busy lives. I will be the first to admit it, sometimes we simply do not have the bandwidth to get everything done that we would like. That's where the rest of you, our dear neighbors, come in! The little bit of work you could do to pick up litter on the street, clean up after your pets, put your waste bins away after pickup day, or even volunteer for a role serving the community in an official capacity will allow us to maintain our status as the best neighborhood in the City of Sarasota!

If you care about the issues affecting our neighborhood; If you care about the appearance of our neighborhood; If you care about things that will make your quality of life better and your property values higher; I've got great news for you - you're hired!

Sincerely,

Henry Bausback, President

Indian Beach Sapphire Shores Association

* Send your first job memories/stories to us for publication in the next issue of this newsletter! email @ newsletter-editor@ibssa.ws

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Upcoming Events

Sat. Aug. 24th 6:45 p.m.

Back by popular demand, Dinner @ Bacres European Restaurant (inside seating). Order what you wish off the menu & visit with your friends & neighbors while enjoying delicious food. This was great fun last time and will certainly be worth your time to meet neighbors and enjoy the delicious meal choices at Bacres.

Please RSVP: events@ibssa.ws

Sat. Sept. 21st 9:00 a.m.

Yoga with John Olenski @ Sapphire Shores Park
Bring your mat!

NO CHARGE but please RSVP to:

johnolenski12@gmail.com



John Olenski is an RYT-certified yoga instructor who has been practicing traditional Hatha Yoga for more than a decade. He studied at Kripalu Center for Yoga & Health in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, trained at Yoga for Everybody in Fairfield, Connecticut, with YOGAspirit Studios and received instruction in therapeutic yoga for seniors at Duke University's School of Integrative Medicine. In addition, as a volunteer he has brought the ancient art and science into communities in which yoga is normally inaccessible.

"I am a beginner and John is very conscientious about explaining things to me and also making me feel comfortable around others who are more advanced. I never feel intimidated and always come away feeling relaxed and with a sense of accomplishment" – Lynn

Sun. Nov. 3rd 1:00 - 4:00

The ANNUAL IBSSA Picnic. Music, games, potluck and more! Details will be in the next newsletter, but save the date NOW!

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IBSSA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

Membership type: New Renewal **I would like to volunteer:**

Beautification/Greenspace Membership Picnic/Events

Neighborhood Watch Newsletter (secure ads/write articles)

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

2nd Name: _____

2nd Email: _____

2nd Phone: _____

IBSS Address: _____

Membership Year: _____

I give permission to IBSSA to email electronic neighborhood communications.

Yes No

If you have any questions about the status of your membership, please contact

John Olenski, Treasurer, at (203) 450-2012 or treasurer@ibssa.ws

Annual Dues Payment -----\$30.00

Voluntary Contribution(s): Greenspace \$ _____

Doggie Bags \$ _____

Other \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Pay online: <https://www.ibssa.ws/join-ibssa/>

Checks payable to: IBSSA Mail to: PO Box 49673, Sarasota, FL 34230

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING IBSSA!

This newsletter is published four times a year for all residences in the Indian Beach Sapphire Shores neighborhood. Newsletter will be mailed approximately **mid-March, mid-June, mid-September, and mid-December.**

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS: Neighbors are encouraged to submit articles, pictures, or neighborhood news to be considered for inclusion in the newsletter.

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August 31st, 2024: DEADLINE for September Issue

Dateline New College

“The more things change, the more they stay the same?” My father, a taller Mack Goode, was one of New College’s first fundraisers around 1970. Then he started the long running “Action Auction” and helped generate major grant funding from national foundations for this brand new school.

About 15 years ago, I wrote a campaign encyclopedia titled, “New College, New Initiatives”.

Collaborating with the administration and foundation, our brochure featured endowment goals for scholarships, research and faculty professorships. Also described were new building needs like a 75 seat black box theater, which happened. Further, there was a \$1 million fund for the library that encompassed acquisitions and electronic upgrades. Additionally, six “Multidisciplinary Initiatives” were delineated. Of these six, Gender Studies is on its way out. International Studies still exist, as do Life Sciences, Math and Quantitative Studies, along with the Fine and Performing Arts.

As part of the Life Sciences, Environmental Studies is probably flourishing the most. At the College’s recent clambake scholarship event, a new advanced degree, the Master’s of Marine Mammal Science, was announced. Clambake Co-Chair, a prominent philanthropist, Elizabeth Moore, is supporting this new enterprise as part of the multidisciplinary conservation sciences. Spanning more than 40 years, environmental studies had been administered by Julie Morris and Jono Miller and they were joined by Endowed Professor Heidi Harley years ago. Their intent is to expand the impact and outreach of conservation endeavors – on and off campus.



Now the Director of Environmental Studies, Dr. Harley stated, “The new Master’s Degree will be a world class addition to the college and

our location on Sarasota Bay – home to the longest studied wild dolphin society on earth.” Harley herself was attracted by retired professor Gordon Bauer who shares her

dedication to marine mammals. And another inducement was that so many faculty live in Indian Beach and Sapphire Shores.

Having grown up in Charleston, South Carolina, Heidi graduated from the University of Colorado with a philosophy degree. Then she earned her Ph.D at the University of Hawaii because “it had a famous dolphin lab.” Having published many articles in professional journals, she is pleased that so many of her students have earned advanced degrees and teach at leading universities. Providing research experiences for her students is another imperative. (<https://sarasotadolphin.org/>)



Several successful projects have taken place with the Lemur Reserve in Myakka City. The founder of the reserve, Penelope Bodry-Sanders, exclaimed, “working with the college is always wonderful. In an Art-Science Workshop, Heidi’s team collaborated with an environmental artist named Ana

Flores and produced materials marrying the arts and sciences.” (<https://www.lemurreserve.org/>)

While Environmental Studies strives to meet specific educational challenges, one of the institution’s overall challenges is to reach an endowment goal of 1,200 students. This being a mandate that President Richard Corcoran has accepted, his administration has embarked on an intercollegiate athletics program. Indeed, in terms of incoming students, more than 100 are “student athletes”. Ironically, when my best boss, Robert Hess, was President of Brooklyn College and I ran that College’s foundation, Hess instituted intercollegiate athletics. Lack of student and alumni support caused that college to disband sports within four years.

Nonetheless, here’s hoping that this Newer College can attain its essential enrollment objectives.

Mack Goode, Chippewa Place

Fiddle Leaf Fig

When people move here from colder climates it's a treat for them to see their old "houseplants" growing in yards. We did not have many houseplants in Evanston, Illinois years ago but a favorite was our Fiddle Leaf Fig. It's considered a "rain forest escapee" from Western Africa and a very popular houseplant around the world.

It always had special meaning to me because my grandfather was an Appalachian fiddle maker. He was so popular a maestro came all the way from Russia to buy one. But of course, he called it a violin, not a fiddle.

Indoors, these plants can be kept small and manageable. They take to being "lopped off" every now and then to keep them below the ceiling. Outdoors they become trees with many lush, dark green leaves.

Every single time I see one I smell the sawdust of Grandpa's shop and hear music from his weekly blue grass jam sessions where nothing stronger than Pepsi was served.

David Jennings



IBSSA Monthly Social Events Walking to Mama G's!

Not only were the baked goods and coffee delicious, our walk was full of conversations and good fun! Join us on our next adventure!



IBSSA Monthly Social Events Dinner at Bacres!

More neighbors than we imagined wanted to join the hungry crowd at Bacres, where we were treated to their chef's delicious menu choices. IBSS is a great community!



Neighborhood News



Do you know Jack? Jack Wooster that is! Thank you for completing this long-overdue project.



Jack performed an amazing face lift on our sign on Myrtle, next to Walgreens.

Neighborhood Watch News

There has been a significant decrease in both residential and vehicle burglaries in our Indian Beach Sapphire Shores neighborhood so far this year (see crime report statistics). Perhaps this encouraging news is partly due to more doors being locked and valuables not being left in plain view of opportunistic criminals. Remember, don't be an easy target.

With this in mind, the much welcomed reductions in reported crime within IBSS can very likely be attributed to the numerous calls made by our concerned, astute residents to the police to report suspicious persons, vehicles and incidents in our area. This immediate action taken by our neighbors along with quick, responsive law enforcement helps to prevent crime, deter criminals and keep families safe in our truly unique, wonderful neighborhood.

*Neighborhood statistics do not include crimes occurring at Tamiami Trail addresses.

*Incidents or vandalism, trespass, theft from fruit trees, suspicious persons and activity and suspected illicit situations have also been reported.

Thank you neighbors, and as always;

See It, Hear It, Report It!

Debbie Muller

IBSS Crime Report	Jan. 1 – May 28	
(Approximate Totals)	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Burglary /Structure	2	10
Burglary/Vehicle	1	14
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0
Robbery	0	1
<u>Citywide Crime Statistics</u>	<u>Jan.1 – May 28</u>	
(Approximate totals)	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Burglary /Structure	59	79
Burglary/Vehicle	61	134
Motor Vehicle Theft	38	51
Robbery	25	36

HELPFUL NUMBERS

Sarasota Police Department:

- Non-Emergency.....(941) 316-1199 or (941) 316-1201
- SPD Front Desk.....(941) 263-6025
- Chief Rex Troche..... (941) 263-6001
rex.troche@sarasotaf1.gov
- Deputy Chief Scott Mayforth.....(941) 263-6006
scott.mayforth@sarasotaf1.gov
- SPD Directory of Personnel Divisions & Units (941) 263-6773
- SPD Website.....www.sarasotapd.org
- Crime Stoppers**.....(941) 366-TIPS (8477)
- Animal Services**.....(941) 861-9500
- Code Compliance**.....(941) 954-4125

Neighborhood Watch Coordinators

- Sapphire I: (58th Street - 47th Street)**
- Debbie Muller(941) 355-5743
- Sapphire II: (47th Street - Myrtle Street)**
- Barbara Cherry.....(941) 355-2898
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- Yvonne Lacey.....(941) 365-7063
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See It! Hear It! Report It!

- Report all crime and suspicious activity..IMMEDIATELY!
- Call the Police (941) 316-1199 or (941) 316-1201 or 911
- Inform your Watch Coordinators and Alert your neighbors

Please Don't Speed!

15 mph in school zones

25 mph throughout neighborhood

Election News & IBSSA Updates

Aug. 20 is the Primary Election.

Every Election is important!

Please vote!

- For most of you, your precinct is the Light of the World Church. Voters from precincts 101, 109 and 111 cast their votes there.
- Remember that Florida is a closed primary state. This means that only voters who are registered members of political parties may vote for respective party candidates or nominees in a primary election.
- A person can register with a party or change his or her party affiliation any time, but to vote for a party candidate in a primary election, one must be registered with the party 29 days before an election.
- The deadline to register to vote or change party affiliation for the Primary Election is Monday, July 22.
- Election Day is Tuesday, August 20. Polls are open from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.
- You can also Vote By Mail, or
- Vote Early (In Person) Saturday, August 10 - Sunday, August 18, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. daily

For more information, or to check on your voting status, vote by mail status, or more, go to:

<https://www.sarasotavotes.gov/>



Winning design for new sticker submitted by Carys Smith, a ninth-grade student at Pine View School.

Land Use Committee - LUC

Just a few notes about what your Land Use Committee has been up to...a few items that impact Indian Beach/Sapphire Shores.

- Oakwood Apartments will go before the Planning Board on June 12th. This development is a 33% addition to the apartments currently there. This is the development across Tamiami, behind Sunnyside Cafe. You can contact Noah Fossick (Dev. Review Senior Planner) 941-263-6548 or Noah.Fossick@sarasotafl.gov Refer to: 23-SP-16.

- City PAC announced an endorsement of Ron Kashden who is running for our district City Commission seat against Liz Alpert. Here is an article about why:

<https://mailchi.mp/citypac-srq.org/citypac-reveals-endorsements-in-sarasota-city-commissioner-race>

Here is the website for Ron:

<https://ron4residents.com/>

We couldn't find one for Liz, but Google her name and there is plenty of info.

- Saving the best for last, IBSSA won a compromise on a public use easement vacation application. The land to the south of Corwood at the intersection with Bay Shore Rd. (between Corwood and the wrought iron fence) will stay categorized as public use. This means NO development there. We are grateful to the land owners for backing off a full one-half of their easement vacation filing after talking with us. IBSSA spoke at both the Planning Board meeting and the City Commissioner meeting to bring this home. Gotta keep our beloved Greenspaces GREEN! *Kevin Spence, LUC*

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Real Estate Summary

This most recent Real Estate grid shows **29 Active Listings** compared to 18 last year, at this time.

There are **4 Pending Sales** compared to 7 last year, at this time. **Since March 1st we've had 23 Closed Sales** compared to 16 last year, at this time.

We saw some Buyer hesitation early in the year as if waiting for a "correction" in prices. This led to a "quiet" February & March, but things turned and we ended up having a strong spring market. 23 Sales in 3 months is a lot for our neighborhood and values continue to climb, albeit at a slower rate these past two years. The data shows no seismic shifts. Inventory remains low which keeps prices resilient. We continue to be the most diverse market on the entire Gulf Coast (sales between \$265,000 and \$9,500,000). The most obvious changes are the value of new construction along our bayfront and Bay Shore Road. Nothing attracts attention like a \$16,500,000 listing. These prices put us on global radar screens.

But rather than get lost down the "rabbit hole" of data I would rather share a few thoughts from

recurring conversations I've had with you and other neighbors so far in 2024.

- If Buyers cannot negotiate an advantageous price, they will expect **QUALITY**.
- There are more "signs in the ground" than there are Active Listings. Not every General Contractor Architect sign is a Listing. Some are owner/occupant projects and others are 2 years from potential occupancy.
- Our region has gone from 50% ALL CASH sales to 75% ALL CASH sales.
- For those wanting financing, this requires more work than ever as we navigate complex lender criteria and insurance challenges.
- When "aspirational" List Prices are reduced, Artificial Intelligence (Zillow, Redfin) interprets this as "Buyer's Market". But this is contrary to year over year value increases. Just ask our County Property Appraiser.
- Data and the media contribute little value when trying to understand our small slice of paradise; Indian Beach – Sapphire Shores. It is said "All Real Estate is Local".

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#1 SALES TEAM in IBSS



309 Ringling Point - \$7,700,000



608 69th Ave W - \$1,400,000



7396 Featherstone Blvd - \$850,000



815 Patterson Dr - \$850,000



5246 Bay Shore Rd - \$550,000



6605 64th Ter E - \$515,000



1031 Indian Beach Dr - 400,000



4050 Turks Cap Pl - \$672,000

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Real Estate Summary March 1 - May 31, 2024

ACT	966 32ND ST	470	\$335,000.00	3	2	0	1925
ACT	974 32ND ST	732	\$335,000.00	2	1	0	1940
ACT	3430 CHAPEL DRIVE	1,363	\$439,000.00	3	2	0	1972
ACT	1004 22ND ST	800	\$439,900.00	2	1	0	1949
ACT	3830 SARASOTA AVE	1,776	\$579,900.00	3	2	0	1955
ACT	746 47TH ST	1,336	\$595,000.00	2	2	0	1955
ACT	738 CORWOOD DR	1,798	\$649,000.00	3	2	0	1968
ACT	1050 24TH ST	1,557	\$649,900.00	2	3	0	1953
ACT	3004 BAY SHORE CIR	1,604	\$689,000.00	2	2	0	1955
ACT	4530 GUAVA CT	1,770	\$735,000.00	3	2	0	1981
ACT	443 SAPPHIRE DR	1,336	\$749,000.00	2	2	0	1953
ACT	4700 BAY SHORE RD	1,807	\$750,000.00	3	2	0	1942
ACT	844 PATTERSON DR	1,348	\$779,000.00	3	2	0	1949
ACT	864 41ST ST	1,332	\$849,000.00	3	2	0	1953
ACT	4724 EASTCHESTER DR	1,674	\$899,000.00	3	2	0	1958
ACT	630 CORWOOD DR	1,897	\$969,900.00	3	2	0	1969
ACT	883 VIRGINIA DR	2,629	\$1,100,000.00	3	3	0	1956
ACT	3834 IROQUOIS AVE	1,957	\$1,249,000.00	3	2	0	2022
ACT	996 VIRGINIA DR	2,485	\$1,675,000.00	4	4	0	2025
ACT	5151 SUN CIR	3,376	\$2,950,000.00	4	5	1	1988
ACT	333 N SHORE DR	1,980	\$3,200,000.00	2	2	1	1962
ACT	4526 BAY SHORE RD	3,838	\$3,600,000.00	4	4	1	2023
ACT	3528 CHAPEL DR	4,706	\$4,500,000.00	4	4	1	2024
ACT	0 BAY SHORE RD	3,410	\$4,500,000.00	4	4	1	2025
ACT	418 ACACIA DR	3,904	\$5,995,000.00	3	3	1	2024
ACT	4311 BAY SHORE RD	5,033	\$6,500,000.00	4	5	1	1925
ACT	4511 BAY SHORE RD	6,500	\$7,450,000.00	6	6	2	1928
ACT	309 RINGLING POINT DR	6,918	\$7,700,000.00	5	3	2	1999
ACT	4123 BAY SHORE RD	5,117	\$16,500,000.00	5	6	1	2021
PND	2305 IXORA AVE	1,416	\$475,000.00	3	2	0	1950
PND	463 ACACIA DR	1,158	\$675,000.00	3	1	0	1960
PND	4050 TURKS CAP PL	2,038	\$699,000.00	3	2	1	1955
PND	415 S SHORE DR	2,846	\$1,374,000.00	4	3	0	1959
SLD	928 HIGHLAND ST	1,232	\$265,000.00	3	3	0	1950
SLD	3842 CHAPEL DR	1,164	\$340,000.00	2	1	0	1953
SLD	1031 INDIAN BEACH DR	1,016	\$400,000.00	2	1	0	1945
SLD	2236 IXORA AVE	1,138	\$415,000.00	2	2	0	1950
SLD	2207 HICKORY AVE	1,323	\$436,000.00	3	2	0	1958
SLD	1011 VIRGINIA DR	1,118	\$439,000.00	2	1	0	1955
SLD	944 HIGHLAND ST	1,260	\$460,000.00	2	2	0	2003
SLD	5246 BAY SHORE RD	2,005	\$550,000.00	3	3	0	1960
SLD	528 45TH ST	1,087	\$569,000.00	2	1	0	1955
SLD	984 INDIAN BEACH DR	1,625	\$600,000.00	2	2	0	1941
SLD	3016 BAY SHORE CIR	1,350	\$630,000.00	2	2	0	1956
SLD	4103 TURKS CAP PL	1,828	\$665,000.00	3	2	1	1948
SLD	3114 BAY SHORE RD	1,445	\$765,000.00	3	2	0	1956
SLD	5001 STEVENS DR	2,041	\$796,400.00	3	2	0	1971
SLD	815 PATTERSON DR	1,584	\$850,000.00	3	1	0	1952
SLD	4845 WINCHESTER DR	2,261	\$869,000.00	3	2	0	1949
SLD	4522 BAY SHORE RD	2,622	\$1,350,000.00	4	3	0	1939
SLD	614 BEVERLY DR	2,614	\$1,395,000.00	3	2	1	1953
SLD	512 SAPPHIRE DR	3,011	\$1,515,000.00	3	4	0	1951
SLD	924 INDIAN BEACH DR	2,974	\$2,200,000.00	4	2	1	1998
SLD	567 BELLORA WAY	2,933	\$2,300,000.00	3	3	0	2020
SLD	2704 BAY SHORE RD	3,900	\$2,481,446.00	3	3	1	1925
SLD	4223 BAY SHORE RD	5,701	\$9,500,000.00	4	5	1	1940

- In this era of information overload, there is business to take care of. We still have all the D's which drive most Real Estate transactions:
Diamonds, Diapers, Divorce, Downsize, Death

When I shared this old axiom with a savvy neighbor, he said without hesitation, don't forget...Debt, Desire and Distress. You may have more to add.

Currently, opportunities in our neighborhood contain every single one of the D's.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

IBSSA Board Meetings 7:00 PM

July 2024 - No meeting

August 1, 2024

September 5, 2024

In-person at Light of the World Church



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August 31, 2024

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