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Ladies Golf League

Every Tuesday at 8:30 a.m.

Meet at Treasure Bay.

Reach out to Treasure Bay for more information:

(727) 360-6062

LUAU at the Bilmar Beach Resort

Thursday, October $6 \cdot 6:00 - 8:30$ p.m. Food, music, games, non-alcoholic drinks included. Cash bar. \$25.00 per person/members \$30.00 per person/non-members

Spooktacular at Treasure Bay

Friday, October $28 \cdot 5:00 - 6:30$ p.m. Visit the PICA photo booth and spin for a treat!

TIMB Chamber of Commerce

Halloween Hustle 5K Fun Run & Kids Dash followed by Monster Bash After

Party at "Waves" at the Bilmar Beach Resort. Saturday, October 29

Barktoberfest

Sunday, October 30 • 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Rosselli Park.

Sanding Ovations

Nov. 17-20 & Nov 26-28 • Behind Sloppy Joe's on the Beach

PICA Light-Up

Friday. December 2 • 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Front Gazebo
Come join us and as we light up the Gazebo! Music by
Fiona. Pizza, chips, cookies and water will be provided.
Bring your own holiday cheer!

Treasure Island Boat Parade

Saturday, December 17 • 6:20 p.m. Treasure Bay activities will start at 5:00 p.m.



From the President

Greetings Neighbors,

Fall is in the air. Can you feel it, yet? Well, I did see the Halloween candy is out at Target! Thank you to all who came out to the PICA wine tasting event. It was so

much fun. Not only were the wines very good, but we also had an added bonus of Fiona entertaining us all. She was fantastic! We also participated in the Treasure Island Appreciation Day and fitted and gave out numerous bike helmets to both children and adults.

We are looking for a few more board members. Send me an email if you'd like to be a part of a fun group of people who love their community. Also, we need volunteers for some of our events, such as the Halloween haunted trail. Again, email or call me. Cheri Barton is moving. She was a valuable part of our board, and she will be missed.

Please take a moment and look over all the events that are happening in Treasure Island in the next couple months. Looking forward to seeing you all at the Fall Luau. Remember we do live in Paradise.

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Letter from the Police Chief

John Barkley, Police Chief Treasure Island Police Department

Program To UpLIFT the Homeless

I hope everyone had a great summer and I welcome you back if you have been away. I would like to give an update on the homeless situation on Treasure Island, and more importantly, the steps that are being taken by the City of Treasure Island to mitigate the situation and come up with a long-term solution. Many of you have heard me speak on this before and understand that it is a very complicated issue.

We have made great progress in the last few months and have had some successful intervention stories as well. Our Life Intervention Focus Team (LIFT) board was approved for 501 (c) 3 status and the members to the board were named by the city commission. The LIFT board held its first meeting and all the members of the board are enthusiastic and ready to make a difference. Our program is gaining attention throughout Pinellas County, and we have had several social service agency representatives ride with our outreach officer to see what they can do to assist us.

We are also teaming up with the City of Gulfport to share the coast of a social worker that will allow us to eliminate a lot of phone calls and obtain assistance without the usual delays.

The LIFT board meetings are public, and I encourage anyone who would like to attend to please do so. Check the City of Treasure Island meeting calendar to see when they will occur.

John Barkley Chief of Police

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Activity through the summer was extremely light due to the hot weather. As we approach the fall season, we plan on having a committee meeting to discuss possible projects and activities. Meeting date, time and location will be forwarded via email in the next few weeks to those on the committee.

Anyone interested in participating on the committee please contact Gary Potenziano at treasure.gp@gmail.com or call (513) 889-8829.

FALL LUAU

PICA will be hosting a Fall Luau on Thursday, Oct. 6 at the Bilmar Beach Resort from 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Come join us for an evening of Hawaiian dishes and socializing with residents of our island.

\$25 per person for members and \$30 for non-members; includes a buffet of Hawaiian dishes, non-alcoholic drinks and dessert.

Cash bar at happy hour pricing and a special tropical drink will be available.

Parking is free in the lot next to Walgreens.

Bar TVs will be on for Thursday Night Football.

Save the date and come mingle with us among the fire pits, steel drum music and sunset views while enjoying Hawaiian dishes.

Please RSVP (513) 739-5148.





Letter from Fire Rescue

Thomas Brennan, Assistant Fire Chief Treasure Island Fire Department

Did you know? Carbon Monoxide (CO) is an invisible killer. It is a colorless, odorless, poisonous gas. CO from a generator indoors can kill you and your family in minutes.

As we prepare for the peak hurricane season (late August through October) power outages are common during storms for several days. Many people turn to a portable generator for a temporary solution without knowing the risks. When misusing a generator, a person can be poisoned by CO.

The National Fire Protection Agency recommends the following generator safety tips:

- Generators should be used in well-ventilated locations outside at least 10-20 feet away from all doors, windows, and vent openings. Measure the 10 to 20-foot distance from the generator exhaust system to the building.
- Never use a generator in an attached garage, even with open doors.
- Place generators so exhaust fumes can't enter the home through windows, doors, or other openings in the building. The exhaust must be directed away from the building.
- Make sure to install CO alarms in your home. Follow manufacturer's instructions for correct placement and mounting height.
- Turn off generators and let them cool down before refueling. Never refuel a generator while it is hot.
- Store fuel for the generator in a container intended for that purpose and correctly labeled as such. Store the containers outside of living areas.

Also, when plugging in appliances, ensure they are plugged directly into the generator or a heavy-duty out-door-rated extension cord. The cords should be checked for cuts and tears, and the plug has all three prongs, especially a grounding pin.

Many residents have a generator wired directly to their homes. A licensed electrician should install these generators following the National Electrical Code and state and local codes.

Pinellas County Emergency Management offers additional safety tips for generator use and "After the Storm" safety tips. https://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/after-thestorm.htm

Tom Brennan Assistant Fire Chief





LANDSCAPE DESIGN, INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE







Commissioner Saleene Partridge

Hello Paradise Island!

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family healthy and well. Here is an update on a few of our most asked about city projects.

As you may have noticed the East Causeway decorative streetlights have been energized and the prior standard streetlights were removed. The next phase is securing a contract for palm trees to be planted in the median. We expect a contract to be awarded in the next couple of months. Our city staff in the meantime has been working diligently to get our landscaping costs down.

The City Center is coming along, but slowly as contractor issues with supply and labor continue to be a challenge. Patience is required, but we are thankful that we can provide city services from the existing buildings. We should have an updated completion date in the next few weeks.

Treasure Bay will be getting much needed work in the coming year, including a living shoreline. The city is receiving nearly \$1.8M in grants toward this project. Additionally, Treasure Bay will also be getting a walking trail, two viewing pavilions, stationary exercise equipment and pond restoration also grant funded at 50 percent. The City Commission provided direction at the August 16th commission meeting to keep the golf course a component of the master plan being developed for Treasure Bay. City staff will be putting a design/build project out to bid with a goal of an award of a contract in December. The master plan will be finalized after this step to provide a roadmap of improvements and amenities to work towards over time.

There will be three roadway paving projects starting next month, in Paradise Island, Isle of Capri and W. Gulf Blvd. in Sunset Beach, of which funding is provided through a state grant that was awarded to the city last year. Please visit our city website for more specifics regarding these projects.

Coming up the City Commission will be discussing an ordinance to ban smoking on the beach as this last State legislative session enabled local government to ban smoking on beaches and in parks. Before this legislation was passed, local government (cities and counties) were not able to ban smoking on beaches and in parks.

As always, your feedback is welcome and appreciated. You can reach out to me or Mayor Tyler Payne and you are always invited to attend our City Commission meetings (see the city website calendar for dates and times). We have a set time at the beginning of every meeting for public comments about any subject.

Mark your calendars for these fun upcoming events in TI:

Oct. 28: Halloween Trick or Treat Trail (City Event)

Oct. 29: TIMB Chamber of Commerce Halloween

Hustle 5K Fun Run, Kids Dash and MONSTER BASH

Oct. 30: Barkotberfest (City Event)

Nov. 13: American Legion Veterans Day Parade

Nov. 17-20 & 26-27: Sanding Ovations (City Event)

Dec. 10: Run for the Beaches 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk

Dec. 17: Holiday Lighted Boat Parade and Celebration

(City Event)

Thank you to all our residents who have been coming to the commission meetings and sharing your comments regarding Treasure Bay and other City items. We have a wonderful city and working together to keep it that way is what our great community is all about. It is my honor and pleasure to work with you on our city goals and serve as your City Commissioner and Vice Mayor.

Look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events,

Best Regards,

Saleene Partridge

Vice Mayor

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SIMPATICO SPRING MIXER

In April, Paradise Island had a wine tasting at Vino Simpatico. There was a nice turnout of around 50 residents. The wine tasting had six varieties of wine, two whites and four red wines. Along with the wine, there were amazingly beautiful charcuterie boards with a wide selection of meats and cheeses. Live entertainment was presented by Fiona who did a great job and got everyone out on the dance floor. This was a fun evening meeting neighbors and making new friendships.











