

#### ST. PATTY'S DAY TGIF – LUCKY TO HAVE SUCH GOOD NEIGHBORS!



On Friday, March 15, the DSWC hosted its annual St. Patty's Day TGIF at Rocky Point Golf Course. Fifty of our neighbors and friends

gathered to celebrate the holiday and enjoyed Irish staples including fish and chips, corned beef and cabbage, and shepherd's pie, along with Irish creme cake for dessert and an optional flight of beer. This was the perfect way to kick off the St. Patty's Day weekend festivities.

Many thanks to all who joined us. Please check out the calendar for upcoming events.





#### DSWC ANNUAL CHILDREN'S EASTER PARTY – APRIL 20

The DSWC is hosting a Children's Easter Party on Saturday, April 20, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Skyway Park Playground. Children through age 10 and their families are invited to attend this fun party with pizza, food, drinks, games, an Easter egg hunt, and a visit from the Easter bunny!

Please RSVP to Cathy Sanfillipo at 813/245-6452 or csanfillipo@kw.com for this event so we can plan enough food and Easter eggs for everyone! We always need volunteers and donated items. If you would like to help us out with this event, please contact Cathy.

### TAMPA AIRPORT: Learning About Airport Noise, Rules, and Options

My husband, Ken Clark and I were very impressed with the airport meeting held at the Rocky Point Golf Course Clubhouse. The manpower and effort the airport put out to inform us of what causes our noise situation, and also, how they are trying to find solutions, was interesting and heartwarming to a member of the Dana Shores community. We will look forward to further information on this issue. ~ Anne Tate



In Mid-March, residents attended the Dana Shores Civic Association meeting along with representatives from Tampa Airport to gain insight into their operations and what to expect in the future. What restrictions exist to control noise at Tampa Airport? What types of flights do we tend to see overhead and why? Could there be changes that might increase or decrease the amount of noise exposure for Dana Shores as a result of upcoming changes to Noise Exposure Maps? These are the

types of questions Tampa Airport representatives Adam Bouchard, Director of Operations, and Jade Darrell helped answer.

Tampa Airport is one of our most important neighbors in terms of the impact they have on our community. We had good participation at this meeting, and those who attended learned a great deal. We'll need even better participation later this year and next year at meetings to discuss the Noise Exposure Maps. Please stay tuned.



In May, the DSWC will hold its annual meeting and luncheon. We are in the process of finalizing the date and venue, but we are currently planning on Friday, May 17, at a nearby restaurant. Watch for details in the next Shore Lines, through our Neighbors-Only Facebook page, and Evite.



Now through Wednesday, April 17 – Metropolitan Ministries Collection at Rocky Point Golf Course

Thursday, April 4 – DSWC Board Meeting – 10:15 AM @ Rocky Point Golf Course

Saturday, April 6 – Dumpster Day – 8 AM – noon @ Skyway Park

Saturday, April 20 – Children's Easter Party – 11 AM – 1 PM - Skyway Park Playground

Thursday, May 2 – DSWC Board meeting – 10:15 AM @ Rocky Point Golf Course

DSWC Annual Meeting and Luncheon – Mid-May. Watch for details

#### Dana Shores Women's Club (DSWC)

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#### Dana Shores Civic Association (DSCA)

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#### SHORE LINES

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#### DANA SHORES / PELICAN ISLAND SELECTED TO ASSIST A FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR

The Dana Shores Civic Association was recently introduced to Kensuke Otsuyama through our contacts in the County's Office of Neighborhood Relations. Kensuke is a Fulbright Scholar and doctoral student in disaster prevention research from Kyoto University in Japan. He is currently visiting the U.S. and partnering with Hillsborough County's Hazardous Mitigation Department and USF on a research project. They want to understand the relationship between population movement and disaster recovery against Hurricane Irma in 2017. Kensuke would like to include several homeowners from our neighborhood his in research.

Those who volunteer to work with Kensuke would participate in a 15- to 30minute survey performed in-person or over the phone. Survey questions include basic respondent information, disaster experiences, and perceptions regarding disaster prevention. No preparation is required.

If you have a little extra time, please consider assisting Kensuke in his research effort. Email us at info@danashores.com, and we will put you in touch with each other.

#### WHISKEY JOE'S & THE SLOW SPEED ZONE

#### Bringing a Family-Friendly Atmosphere Back to Our Waterways

Resident Brian Roberts has been working hard on behalf of the Dana Shores Civic Association to enhance the safety of our surrounding waterways. As a result of his multi-year efforts, we are pleased to announce the recent addition of a slow speed zone that stretches along the waterway from the southeast point of Rocky Point Island to the existing slow speed zone on the west end of Ben T. Davis beach. This is an important and significant accomplishment.

Many of our residents used to boat over to Whiskey Joe's Bar & Grill for a fun day with family and friends. Around 2015, large groups of out-of-town jet skiers began frequenting the basin between Whiskey Joes and WTR, turning it into a weekend race track. By 2016, many boating



crashes had occurred in this area, including crashes with serious injuries. That's when the civic association began reaching out to different parties to see what could be done.

In mid-2016, we held a joint meeting with Whisky Joe's Bar & Grill, Sailport, Tampa Bay Boat and Jet Ski Rentals, law enforcement from FWC and TPD, City representatives, County representatives, and homeowners in and around Rocky Point Island. We discussed the changes in the area and associated dangers. We unanimously determined the best course of action was to add the slow speed zone.

Like many things in life, what seemed simple proved to be rather complex and required assistance from many groups. TPD's Marine Unit stewarded the project through the required approval process. This included local approvals from Tampa City Council, City of Tampa Parks and Recreation, local law enforcement agencies, and Port Tampa Bay as well as state-level sign-off by Tallahassee's Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation. Whiskey Joe's Bar & Grill stepped up to sponsor the pilings and installation. The City of Tampa Parks and Recreation paid for the signs. Brian Roberts coordinated the overall effort.

This team worked together closely to get the signs installed prior to the start of the 2019 spring break season. TPD's Marine Unit and FWC have been actively patrolling the area since to ensure boaters are educated about the new slow speed zone.

Even with the support of so many, the project took several years to complete. During this time, injuries mounted, including the near drowning death of an 18-month-old and two fatalities. Although these tragic events cannot be undone, we are extremely pleased that our neighborhood is making a positive difference going forward.

This project serves as another testament to how different groups in the Rocky Point area can find common ground, work together, and engage government and law enforcement to improve safety and increase the enjoyment for all who live, work, and visit our area. By far, our favorite projects enhance the area. By necessity, we have also become quite effective at protecting and restoring what makes this area so nice. Please make some time to visit to Whiskey Joe's Bar & Grill and thank them with your patronage at their restaurant or beach bar. They went way above expectations through their financial support of this project.

#### HAVE YOU MADE A RESOLUTION TO STOP SMOKING?

Our community has many special qualities. One of which is residents' generosity in sharing their special talents for the betterment of their fellow neighbors.

If you missed it, Tracey Shadday, resident of Doral Drive, recently posted Free Smoking-Cessation sessions on our Neighbors-Only Facebook page. Details are provided below. Thank you, Tracey!

Quitting tobacco isn't easy. Finding help should be.

Tobacco Free Florida offers free tools and services to help.

Register for a 2-hour session with trained facilitator and Dana Shores resident Tracey Shadday, MPH, CHES, CHWC, along with others who want to quit like you.

2-4 weeks of nicotine patches, gum, or lozenges provided by the Department of Health and Tobacco Free Florida are offered to participants free of charge.

Classes will be held at 3902 Doral Drive on Thursday, April 11, starting at 4p.m.

Register by calling: 813.929.1000





**Shore Lines,** our neighborhood newsletter, is published free of charge to our community thanks to the advertisers whose ads you see each month. We'd like to thank these businesses and ask that you consider their contribution when selecting future vendors and service providers.

Our publisher, IKARE Publishing, is also looking for new advertisers to help keep the publication going. If you are a business owner or know of a local business you would like to see advertise in our newsletter, please send the name of the company and a contact number (a contact name would also be great) to info@danashores.com, and we will pass this information on to IKARE. They will contact the company and hopefully secure their advertising support.



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### 2018/2019 DANA SHORES DUES

The volunteers of Dana Shores Civic Association (DSCA) and the Dana Shores Women's Club (DSWC) accomplished a great deal last year. **To continue the positive momentum in 2019, we need your help.** 

<u>Please support our efforts by responding to this request with your 2018/2019 dues of \$75</u>. Please also include the following form and let us know whether you would like to be more involved in 2019. We have a variety of fun and exciting projects planned. Many projects have flexible time frames, allowing them to fit around individuals' various commitments and interests.

Regardless of when or how much you help, it is always appreciated. The more support we receive, the more progress we can make.

Sincerely,

 Allison Roberts
 Julie Bowers

 President, Dana Shores Civic Association
 President, Dana Shores Women's Club

- 1. Please fill out the form below and mark the appropriate boxes.
- 2. Include a \$75 check payable to Dana Shores.
- 3. Mail or drop off your form and check to Craig Kubiak Treasurer, Dana Shores Civic Association \* 3922 Americana Dr. \* Tampa, FL 33634

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#### Want to Be More Involved? Share Other Thoughts?

\_\_\_\_ I would like to become involved in improving Dana Shores. Please contact me to discuss opportunities.

\_\_\_\_ I would like the opportunity to promote my business to residents. Please contact me to discuss options.

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#### LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT DUMPSTER DAY!

Saturday, April 6, from 8 a.m. – noon at Skyway Park WHO: Available to residents of Dana Shores, Pelican Island, and Sweetwater WHEN: Saturday, April 6, from 8 a.m. - noon WHERE: Skyway Park WHAT: See Below

If you require assistance with heavy or large items, please call no later than Friday, April 5, at 813.335.8931 or email us at info@danashores.com. We will try to arrange for neighborhood volunteers to assist you.

1. This event provides an opportunity for residents to easily dispose of various large, noncommercial, non-hazardous items that would otherwise require a trip to the dump:

- Old refrigerators, ovens, water heaters
- Steel and other metals
- Old furniture (e.g., couches, mattresses, chairs, tables)
- Household construction debris (e.g., concrete, bricks, glass)
- Tires
- Loose Lawn Waste (must be unbagged before placing in the dumpster)

2. We will have several groups onsite to receive items that can be re-used or salvaged:

- The Spring (clothing, furniture, flat screen tv's, etc.)
- MacDonald Training Center (electronics recycling)
- Habitat for Humanity (building materials such as doors, wood, glass, tile and appliances in good working order)
- Robert Rodgers (scrap metal)
   proceeds go to various church charities

3. While we have a dumpster onsite able to accommodate lawn debris, we also plan to have a small crew do some light tree trimming/maintenance on the oaks along the east-west portion of Dana Shores Drive.

#### Top 10 Neighborhood Accomplishments of 2018 What We Achieve by Working Together

**1. Undergrounding Moving Forward.** Worked closely with homeowners to address questions and garner broad support for undergrounding. Achieved more than 80% approval on the final ballot. Gained approval from the County to proceed with undergrounding and decorative lighting. Worked with Taylor Morrison, which led to their undergrounding the utilities along Dana Shores Drive between Pelican Island and the apartments.



2. Cohesion, Community, and Communication. Hosted a variety of social events for all residents around the holidays (e.g., Christmas caroling, Dana Shores boat parade, Holiday Boutique, yard- and dock-decorating contests, and Halloween Party) along with several popular annual events (e.g., Spring into Summer TGIF, DSWC Annual Luncheon, and Annual Meet and Greet). Hosted children's events for Halloween and Easter. Coordinated frequent Happy Hours, including a variety of food-and-beverage pairings at Rocky Point Golf Course throughout the year. Kicked-off activity-based social events, such as game night and wine glass/fish lure painting. Published a monthly newsletter with updates and helpful tips. Enhanced and maintained the Dana Shores website and Facebook pages, adding elements that help brand our community. Provided alerts regarding time-sensitive matters -- reconnecting owners with lost pets, helping Dana Shores residents work together to curtail criminal activity and remain informed during storm events, and even assisting FWC in locating an entangled manatee during their search and rescue efforts.

**3.** Entryways. Regularly maintained and refreshed our entryways with the assistance of Southern Florida Landscaping and Brother's Pest Control. Decorated entryways for the holiday season and 4th of July.

**4**. **Community Clean-Up Efforts.** These efforts addressed several needs. Worked with Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful to add a coastal clean-up of illegal fireworks and other trash along the causeway after July 4.

Co-hosted a community clean-up event providing an opportunity for residents of Dana Shores, Pelican Island, and Sweetwater to declutter their homes and remove items that would not be picked up through regular garbage service. Donations filled an entire box truck for The Spring. Scrap metal netted nearly two hundred dollars of proceeds that was donated to support local charities. Electronic items were donated to the MacDonald Training Center, proceeds of which will go to support their mission. Remaining items filled several contractor-sized dumpsters.

5. Protections for Surrounding Land Use and Development. Represented Dana Shores with respect to land use, zoning, and other ordinances affecting our residents. This included leadership and coordination of efforts to successfully protect submerged land within Rocky Point from fill-in and development. It also included subsequent work with Tampa's City Council and Hillsborough County's County Commissioners to create policy language restricting future development of submerged lands within the City or County.

**6. Improvements at Rocky Point Golf Course.** Given the importance of community and the importance of Rocky Pont Golf Course to our community, developed a vision to bring the Upper Tampa Bay businesses and residents together via a golf tournament while increasing patronage to, interest in, and funds for the Rocky Point Golf Course. Raised more than \$8,000 that will be used later this year to enhance the green space along Independence Parkway.

7. Improvements at Skyway Park. Prompted the County to install upgrades at Skyway Park, including bollards that restrict access to the bike trail and a new gate that allows bicycles to pass through the south gate.

**8. Principled Leadership.** Provided principled leadership as members of Tampa Airport's Community Noise Consortium, Tampa Sports Authority's Citizens Advisory Board, Hillsborough County's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, and the Courtney Campbell Scenic Highway Corridor Advisory Committee. A recent commitment of up to \$1M has been made by Tampa Airport to update Noise Exposure Maps. Rocky Point Golf Course has provided easements to support our undergrounding effort. Crosswalks and way finding signage were added along Bayport Drive to enhance safety and user experience on the Courtney Campbell Trail. Estimates are complete and pending approval to fill in the missing sidewalk gap on the north side of the Courtney Campbell Causeway between Bayport Drive and Rocky Point Drive.

**9.** Giving Back. Supported philanthropic endeavors, including teen service projects, outreach to those in need within our community, Hillsborough County's Guardian Ad Litem project to provide Christmas gifts to 75 foster children, Metropolitan Ministries food drive, and other children's and veterans' programs. In addition, coordinated significant contributions to The Spring, MacDonald Training Center, and other local charities.

**10. Safer Roadways.** Worked directly with FDOT to represent community roadway interests. The up coming edition of the Shore Lines lists various upcoming projects, including lane expansion to eliminate the southbound merge and reduce morning peak-hour congestion where SR 589 and eastbound SR 60 merge. Also worked collaboratively with FDOT, FHP, TPD, HCSO, and County representatives to address motorcycle/auto racing on surrounding roadways. Since this meeting, additional gates have been installed and are opened/closed each day along the causeway to minimize staging areas and related activity, and numerous helicopter-supported operations have occurred to address nighttime activity. Related discussions are ongoing.

We would like to thank our resident volunteers for their time and expertise, corporate sponsors for their assistance, and homeowners for their association dues. Your contributions allow us to continually better the Dana Shores community and surrounding areas.

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