

# Shore Lines Newsletter

Dana Shores • Pelican Island



June 2026

## 2026 NEIGHBORHOOD CIVIC ASSOCIATION DUES



With help from our volunteers and vendors, we are busy improving the neighborhood. We rely upon everyone's support to help fund these efforts.

Each owner/resident is asked to contribute \$100 in annual dues per home to support our ongoing efforts. We accept payment via the Dana Shores website or by PayPal, Zelle, or check.



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c/o Katie Heckert, Secretary/Treasurer

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### Are You Actually Protecting Your Noggin?

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of research on head impacts in sports and identify which helmets best reduce concussion risk. This work is done as part of Virginia Tech's service mission and is 100% independent of any funding or influence from helmet manufacturers.

Research areas include Construction, Football, Bicycle, Hockey, Soccer, Snow Sports, Whitewater, Equestrian and Polo.

Virginia Tech's bike helmet ratings include All Mountain, Road, Urban, Multi-sport, Full-Face, and a dedicated E-bike (NTA) category. Learn more at <https://www.helmet.beam.vt.edu/>

### The Steady Hand

An Original Poem Dedicated to the Many Husbands and Fathers throughout Dana Shores

He reads the water like a map of years,  
knows where the current pulls, where patience steers,  
can feel a change in weather on his skin  
before the clouds have even gathered in.

He taught us how to tie a proper knot,  
to earn the things we have and want the things we've got,  
to watch the horizon — not just what is near —  
and hold our heading steady, without fear.

On mornings when the bay lay silver-still,  
he handed us the wheel before we had the skill,  
stood close enough to catch us if we'd veer,  
but let us find our own way through the year.

He is the anchor when the storms roll through,  
the lighthouse beam that guides us back to you,  
the steady hand that never left the line —  
half compass, half safe harbor, wholly mine.

So here's to dads of Dana Shores today,  
who taught their children how to find their way —  
not just across these tides we love and know,  
but through the deeper waters as we grow.



**DANA SHORES ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OTHER KEY CONTACTS**

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Rocky Point Boat Parade	Michelle Lightbody, Anne Carney
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Eden Roc West	Emmy Reynolds
Fontainebleau Drive	Mary Chiricos
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Hillsborough County Citizen Advisory Committee	Allison Roberts
Law Enforcement	Doug Longfellow, Collen Quinn-Adams
Tampa Airport Community Noise Forum	Drs. Eli & Janet Marley Rose

**OTHER RESOURCES**

Report Lost & Found Items, Crime or Suspicious Activity  
Post at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/danashores>  
Or Email us at [info@danashores.com](mailto:info@danashores.com)

To sign up for email updates on time-sensitive neighborhood initiatives, neighborhood watch, and social events, visit <http://bit.ly/SignUpDS>. You may alter your subscription preferences or unsubscribe at any time.

If you have not done so already, you may also consider signing up for the **Dana Shores, Rocky Point (Neighbors ONLY)** Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/danashores>. It has an average of 2 to 3 posts per day and more than 650 members who share, collaborate, and provide a positive support network to one another. This page complements the Dana Shores – Rocky Point, FL public Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/DanaShoresTampa>.

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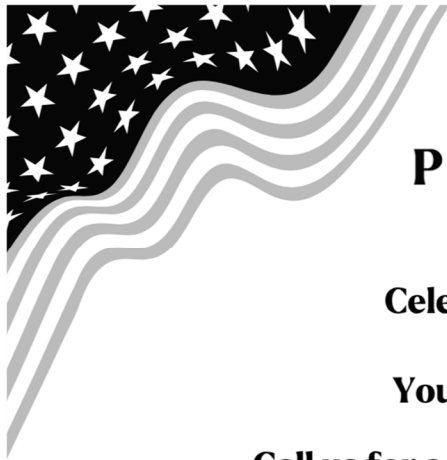
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### PHOTO CONTEST!

Recently, several neighbors witnessed something remarkable — eight manatee gathered near the Doral canal. Rather than passing through, they were eating, playing, and tending to their young. In one memorable moment, two manatee were seen face-to-face, gently touching as if "kissing." It was a powerful reminder that our waters are not just a route to the Bay, but a place where manatee live and thrive.

Manatee play a vital role in our marine ecosystem by supporting healthy seagrass, improving water quality, and sustaining diverse marine life. Though reclassified from endangered to threatened in 2017, they remain vulnerable.

Both the south side of the Courtney Campbell Causeway (parallel to the Dana Shores community and connected through the small bridge across from Bahama Breeze) and the basin near Scarborough Park on N. Rocky Point

Island (east of the DoubleTree) are protected manatee zones. Manatee don't recognize designated boundaries, and we also hear of repeated sightings throughout the Dana Shores waterways, near Pelican Island, behind The Cove at Rocky Point, and along Sweetwater canal.

**Join in the fun and have a chance to win.** In an effort to learn more about the manatee in our area, we are launching a community contest to document local manatee sightings. Please photograph or film manatee activity throughout Dana Shores and the surrounding waterways on the north side of the Causeway. **Be sure to note the location and to take photos depicting both the manatee and surrounding landmarks. (Multiple photos per sighting are ideal, when possible.)**

#### Submit your photos and videos by:

- Posting on the "Dana Shores, Rocky Point (Neighbors Only)" Facebook page
- Emailing [info@danashores.com](mailto:info@danashores.com)

To encourage participation, we're offering a **\$250 prize** — a restaurant or Amazon gift card — to the resident who documents the most sightings. Sightings must occur at separate locations or at least three hours apart if taken at the same location. A minimum of three separate sightings is required to win. The contest runs through the end of August 2026. Participants under 18 must have parental or guardian consent.

**We hope you have fun with this contest. Looking for our mammal friends, the friendly manatee, is a fun way to enjoy the waters with your family, kids, and friends. We also encourage residents to contact the Save the Manatee Club at [savethemanatee.org](http://savethemanatee.org), 1-800-432-5646, or [education@savethemanatee.org](mailto:education@savethemanatee.org) to learn more.**

## The New Epidemic of E-Scooters and E-Bikes

Submission by Grant Geissler MD FACS FAAP | Medical Director of Children's Surgery  
 Attending Surgeon in Pediatric Thoracic and General Surgery | Proud Dana Shores/Pelican Island neighbor



My Friday morning started with a 7:30 AM "tier 1" trauma response call. A 13-year-old boy was critically injured while "riding his bike to school, lost control and hit a fixed metal bench". While we awaited his arrival in the trauma bay, our emergency room healthcare providers were certain that this was going to be an e-bike accident rather than a standard bicycle accident, given the severity of the trauma. We know that e-bikes and e-scooters accelerate rapidly and may exceed speeds greater than 20 mph. The effortless speed can easily exceed the maturity and coordination of the children required to control and stop them. Upon arrival, he was in fact riding an e-bike, and he required emergency surgery. It occurred to me that what frontline surgical and trauma healthcare providers see on a daily basis – an epidemic of serious, life threatening injuries in children on e-scooters and e-bikes – may not be understood by parents until we meet while signing emergency surgical consent forms. Please permit me to share some information with my community friends.

### A rising epidemic of injuries

Electric scooters (e-scooters) and electric bikes (e-bikes) have become increasingly popular among children and adolescents, but this trend has been accompanied by a dramatic surge in serious injuries. Between 2019 and 2022, e-bike injuries increased by 293% and e-scooter injuries increased by 88% in the United States. Pediatric e-scooter injuries have shown particularly alarming growth more recently, with 42% of all injuries between 2020–2024 occurring in 2024 alone. An estimated 15,121 pediatric e-bike injuries occurred between 2019–2023, with nearly half occurring in 2023.

### Severity and types of injuries

Children riding electric micromobility devices sustain more severe injuries compared to those using conventional bicycles and scooters. E-device riders are significantly more likely to be involved in potentially life-threatening traffic accidents and suffer severe head injuries requiring surgical intervention. Compared to conventional bicycle injuries, e-bike users have 1.6 times higher odds of hospital admissions and 2.4 times higher odds of intensive care unit admission. E-scooter users similarly face 1.6 times higher odds of hospitalization and 2 times higher odds of ICU admission. The most common injuries include head and facial trauma, fractures, and internal organ injuries. Among e-bike injuries, 50% of speed related incidents involved head neck or facial injuries, and 24% resulted in internal organ injuries. Young e-bike riders (ages 10 to 15) experienced traumatic brain injuries, cranial hemorrhages, and facial fractures significantly more often than conventional bicycle riders. E-scooter riders also sustained head injuries at higher rates (18%) compared to nonelectric scooter users (13%).

### High risk mechanisms

The mechanisms of injury differ between e-bikes and e-scooters. Nearly half of e-bike injuries result from motor vehicle crashes, while e-scooter injuries primarily occur from falls. Speed is a critical factor – injuries attributed to speeds exceeding 20 mph are associated with higher rates of internal injuries and hospital admissions. Children are particularly vulnerable at higher speeds due to their higher head to body ratio, limited road safety experience, risk-taking behaviors, and susceptibility to peer influence.

### Protective equipment gap

Helmet use remains alarmingly low among young riders. When documented in clinical records, only 44% of e-bike injuries and 35% of e-scooter injuries involve helmeted use. In one pediatric emergency department study, 88% of children injured on personal mobility devices were not wearing helmets. This lack of protective equipment contributes significantly to the severity of head and facial injuries.

### Age and demographics

The average age of injury e-scooter riders is 11 years, with children aged 11-14 representing the largest group. E-bike injuries predominantly affect adolescents aged 13-18. Males accounted for approximately 75% of e-scooter and e-bike injuries. Injury severity increases with age, with adolescents using electric devices experiencing more severe trauma than younger children.

### Conclusion

My personal observations are supported by national injury surveillance databases: electric scooters and electric bicycles pose significant dangers to children under age 16, with injury rates and severity far exceeding those of conventional bicycles and scooters. The combination of high speeds, limited rider experience and maturity, and inadequate protective equipment creates a perfect storm for serious and potentially life-threatening injuries in our children. Please use this information to assess competency, educate, and protect your children when participating in activities on e-scooters and e-bikes.

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**Call Debbie Trujillo 813.966.2520 to schedule an appointment.**

Address	BE	FB	HB	Pool	HTD	Close Date	Current Price
4214 DEEPWATER LN	4	2	1	Private	2,821	01/07/2026	\$765,000
4148 ROCKY SHORES DR	4	4	0	Private,	3,543	01/30/2026	\$2,300,000
3927 VERSAILLES DR	3	2	0	Private	2,901	02/03/2026	\$940,000
4065 ROCKY SHORES DR	3	3	0	Commur	2,032	02/06/2026	\$605,000
3910 DORAL DR	4	2	0	Private	2,370	02/06/2026	\$1,075,000
4302 DEEPWATER LN	4	2	1	Private	2,594	02/19/2026	\$715,000
7303 PELICAN ISLAND DR	6	5	0	Private	5,345	03/02/2026	\$2,900,000
4852 TROYDALE RD	4	2	1	Private	3,704	03/02/2026	\$1,200,000
4226 SALTWATER BLVD	4	2	1	Private	2,843	03/17/2026	\$875,000
3936 VERSAILLES DR	4	3	0	Private	2,170	03/20/2026	\$1,192,500
4304 SALTWATER BLVD Ur	4	2	1	Private	2,435	03/25/2026	\$715,000
9741 WILSKY BLVD	5	3	1	Private	3,206	04/23/2026	\$1,150,000
7313 PELICAN ISLAND DR	5	6	1	Private	8,446	05/01/2026	\$4,250,000
3932 VERSAILLES DR	4	2	0	Private	2,017	05/08/2026	\$1,225,000

**2026 ANNUAL DSCA DUES**

*It's that time of year... time to renew your dues*



- 1) Visit <https://bit.ly/dscadues> to pay online OR
- 2) Complete the form below and include a \$100 check payable to **Dana Shores Civic Association** for each property you own. Mail to **Dana Shores Civic Association c/o Katie Heckert \* 3910 E. Eden Roc Circle \* Tampa, FL 33634**

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Dana Shores Home Address(es)

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(#1) First Name                      Last Name                      Primary Phone Number

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Primary Email Address                      Secondary Email Address (if applicable)

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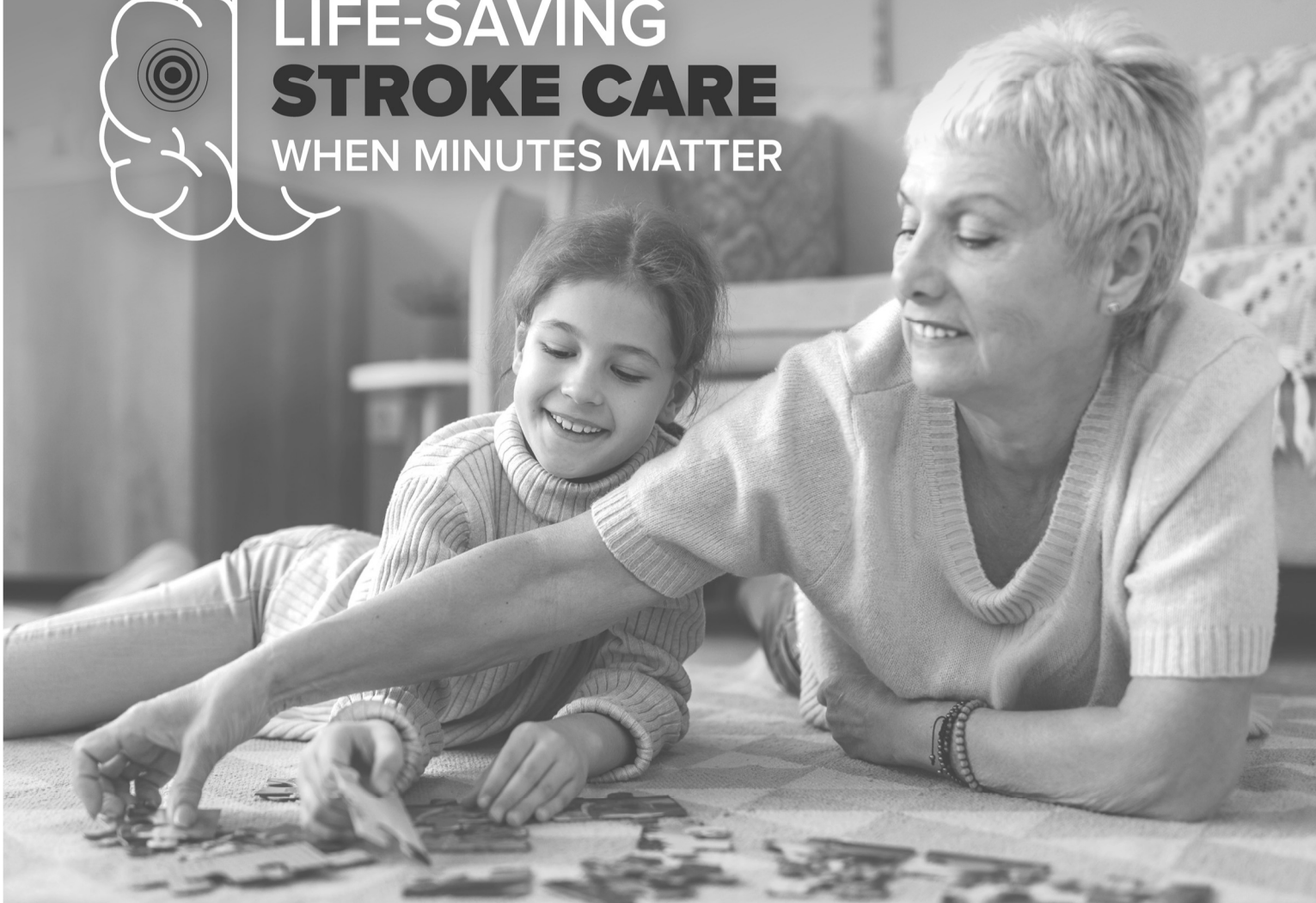
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- I would like to become involved in improving Dana Shores. Please contact me to discuss opportunities.
- I would like the opportunity to promote my business to residents. Please contact me to discuss options.
  - Gift for the New-Neighbor Basket
  - Donations for Live Auctions During the Year
  - Sponsorship of a Main Event (e.g., Boat Parade)
  - Special Project Sponsorship with Physical Memorial
  - In-Kind Services
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
- In addition to my annual dues, I have added funds in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be used for
  - Supplemental law enforcement means and efforts
  - Future water quality improvements
  - Additional enhancements at the Skyway children's playground

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Mailing Address (if different from above)



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### Hillsborough County Florida Engineering & Operations April 30, 2026

#### Dear Homeowner Association:

Protecting the safety of residents and property is the top priority for Hillsborough County Government. Anywhere it rains, it can flood. A heavy afternoon downpour can turn into a life-threatening and financially devastating flood in the blink of an eye. Hurricanes and tropical storms increase the danger from flooding. Now is the time to prepare for hurricane season.

Please help us inform the residents in your community about flood risk.

Hillsborough County urges all property owners in the county to understand their risk for flooding and to purchase flood insurance. Remember, homeowner's insurance does not cover water damage from flooding. Only flood insurance covers water damage to your property from a flood or storm surge.

Hillsborough County staff has worked to reduce flood insurance rates by implementing proactive floodplain management activities that reduce flood risk across the county. This approach has earned residents a flood insurance discount of 25%. Hillsborough County understands that insurance is a complicated topic. Don't let a flood wipe away everything you've worked so hard for. Get flood insurance.

Know your flood risk. Hillsborough County offers free flood map information services so that you can find out if your property is in a high, moderate, or low risk flood zone, and what your hurricane evacuation zone is. Remember flood zones and evacuation zones are different!

**Visit <https://HCFL.gov/FloodZone> to find a flood zone. To find an evacuation zone, which is different than a flood zone, and identifies the risk of storm surge, visit <https://HCFL.gov/HEAT>.**

Also, see if a property is near protected areas that have natural floodplain functions, like wetlands, swamps, or mangrove stands. These areas store floodwaters or buffer wave action while providing habitat for wildlife and cleaning the floodwater.

Now is the time to prepare your family, your property, and your pets for the coming hurricane season. Look at shelters that accept pets and ensure your pets have up-to-date vaccination records.

Your assistance in having this information provided to your membership is greatly appreciated. If you or your residents have additional questions or would like to speak with someone about floodplain management topics, please contact us at [FloodplainAdmin@HCFL.gov](mailto:FloodplainAdmin@HCFL.gov).

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