

# SEA BREEZE

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Wow, I forget each year just how **HOT** Florida can be in the summer months, coming from the mountains of Colorado. This is not the best time of year to be in Florida, but it is still great. Think about all of the things we can enjoy in the summer: swimming, picnics, boating, kayaking, paddle boarding and strolls on the beach. There is also those early mornings and evenings on the walk-over with friends to visit and catch the sunrise or moon rise. Someone has to live this life and it might as well be us!

We are still having problems with people not obeying our pooper scooper rule in Sea Colony, as well as on the beach. Please people, if you have a dog that you walk, pick up after it, even if it is a small dog. Although the beach does not belong to Sea Colony, it is our responsibility to help keep it clean. I cannot tell you how many times I have witnessed people letting their pets use the beach as a bathroom then kicking sand over the droppings, leaving it for some child to get all over themselves or for someone to step on. **PLEASE BE COURTEOUS AND PICK UP AFTER YOUR ANIMALS!**

For those of you that have made reservations for the 4th of July blowout, I am sure you will have a great time. Our Social Committee works hard to provide entertainment in many forms for Sea Colony residents. I have included a schedule for the 4th of July in this newsletter. My hopes are that you not only enjoy the entertainment that the Social Committee provides, but that you also volunteer to help.

**PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE** remember our turtles! Any time that you are on the beach, remember that pets as well as humans **MUST** stay away from the marked turtle nests. Remind everyone to fill in holes that have been dug in the sand. Once sand castles have been built and enjoyed, please level them so the mother turtles that are laying eggs don't get stuck in the holes on the way to and from their nests. I have included information on the turtles later in this newsletter. We must all do our part! On a good day only 1 in 1,000 baby turtles make it to adulthood.

**A REMINDER:** be careful as you enter the bathrooms off the pool. Increased usage is causing the floors to be more wet than usual. Swimmers, please help everyone out by drying off a bit before entering the bathrooms. This will help keep everyone more comfortable and safe.

On a sad note, our sympathy goes out to the family of Bill Bolam who passed on June the 9th.

Have a Safe 4th of July!

Debby Cunningham



For those of you that have made reservations for the 4th of July Celebration—**ENJOY.**

Following is the agenda for the day:

**Sea Colony's  
Fourth of July 2016!!!**

**9:30 Bike and Golf Cart Parade** (Decorate your bike or golf cart red, white and blue and meet at the Avalon Lake flagpole at 9:15) **Others: Please come to Sea Colony Drive to WATCH the parade!**

**10:30 Kid's Swim Races and Games** Pool

**12:00—1:30 LUNCH** Club House **RSVP Required**

**3:00 Sandcastle Contest Judging** Beach (please level sandcastles when finished for our turtles!)

**4:00 Ice Cream Sundaes** Club House **RSVP Required**



## **PROTECTING MARINE LIFE**

### **Turtle Nesting Season**

**May 1 through October 31**

Following are a few guidelines taken from the Marine Turtle Protection Guideline, if you want more information you may contact: Flagler County—1769 E. Moody Blvd., Bldg. 2—Bunnell, FL 32110, or see Donna Quindlen in our HOA Office and ask her for a brochure.

#### **Sea Turtles Dig the Dark -**

No house lights on or near the beach after 9 p.m. during sea turtle nesting season!

#### **Do Not Harass a Turtle**

Do NOT disturb nesting females or hatchlings after dark.

- No flashlights
- No lanterns
- No flash photography

#### **Remove Beach Litter**

Litter causes many sea turtle injuries and deaths, especially when mistaken for food. ALWAYS properly dispose of:

- Balloons
- Beach balls
- Kites
- Fishing line
- And all items made of plastic, rubber or latex

Also, if you or your children have dug holes or made sand castles while on the beach, please remember to level the sand castles and fill in ALL holes before you leave. A turtle can get stuck in a hole and not be able to go anywhere as well as possible getting hurt.

**To report a sick, injured, or dead sea turtle contact:** Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Imperiled Species Management at: 805-921-6988.

## GATOR SIGHTINGS

Recently we have seen some alligator's in our lakes and canals, some quite large. If you see an alligator in the lakes and it is over four (4) feet long you can call Florida Wildlife at 866-392-4286.

They ask that you be as specific in size and location as possible, so the trapper can locate the gator as quickly as possible.

If the gator is under (4) feet, they will leave it alone unless it is creating a nuisance such as approaching people and does not retreat when approached.

### HELPING HANDS

This committee provides temporary assistance to make living in Sea Colony easier. Information or occasional transportation to an appointment are examples of services offered. Gas money and/or reimbursement for the volunteer's time are appropriate. The following volunteers will assist you or attempt to find someone who is available.

Carol Nelson	904-608-7331
Roger Treidel	447-3441
Marcia Kelly	445-6960
Gary Umfleet	283-4236
Marion Clancola	860-276-7035

### SOCIAL COMMITTEE

**September Chair - Paula Treidel 447-3441**

**September Co-Chair - Myra Smith myrabsmith@yahoo.com**

**Treasurer - Carol Guiliano 447-2852**

**Secretary - Marie Calabrese 446-0210**

**Assistant Treasurer - Paula Treidel 447-3441**

**Board Liaison - Terri Tindal 445-4895**

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