



Thanks to the Social Committee and all of their volunteers, we had a great 4th of July celebration. The next social function will be the Harvest Moon Pool Party on Friday, October 7th. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend—more information will follow via email from Donna Quindlen as we get closer to the date.

The next Social Committee meeting will be held on: Monday, September 19th at 9:30 a.m. in the clubhouse. If you have never attended a social committee meeting, please do so—we are always looking for new ideas.

I am sure that all of you have received your “Notice of Special Assessment” from the Board of Commissioners regarding improvements and maintenance in the north MalaCompra Drainage Basin District. For those of you that were unaware of this or for those of you that just want more information, our Board President, Leo Blessing will set an informational meeting with Craig Coffee some time in the near future. Please watch for more information regarding this meeting by email from Donna Quindlen.

BACK TO SCHOOL

School has begun for the 2016/2017 school year in Flagler County. Please drive carefully and watch for children moving through our intersections both morning and afternoons. Their Bus Stop is on the North side of our exit lane and parents will be parking in the lot on the South side of our entrance lane. Students and parents will be moving through the crosswalk area at the front of our community. Let’s work together to keep the young residents of Sea Colony safe this school year.

For those of you that are interested in the A1A cleanup on Saturday September 17th, please reply to John and Barbara Harper 447-5805 to sign up. 7:00 am Saturday—pick up your vest, bags, gloves and assignments at the pavilion on the north side of Bings Landing, where you will also return your vest when finished and join us for coffee and refreshments.

On a final and sad note, our sympathy goes out to the families of Rich Romaine and Peggy Heigman who have passed since the last news letter was published.

Debby Cunningham



JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

Our July 4th Celebration was a hit again! It started out with a parade down Sea Colony Dr. to the clubhouse. Many were involved in the parade while cars, golf carts, bicycles and scooters were decorated in red, white and blue to celebrate the occasion.

Hosted by our Social Committee with many volunteers involved; there was a lunch catered by Woody's BBQ, Kid's Swim Races and Pool Games, Sandcastle Contest Judging as well as a "new" event this year, Ice Cream Sundaes. Many thanks to all of you for attending and especially to all of the volunteers that made this happen.

A lot of work goes into these events for Sea Colony residents and the Sea Colony Social Committee deserves a BIG THANK YOU!





TURTLE NEST OPENING

Many of you have had the privilege of observing a turtle nest opening. It is one of the most enjoyable observations of living on the beach, next to actually observing the mother turtle coming up at night to dig her nest and lay her eggs.

Nests are observed by turtle volunteers on a daily basis and only opened after the turtles have hatched.

The babies have to dig their way up through approximately 3 feet of sand when they hatch. This happens at night so they have more luck making it to the ocean without predators attacking them.

When the nests are opened, the volunteers count and log the number of shells that were hatched, the number of babies that did not make it, and set the live babies on the beach to make their way to the ocean. They cannot be put in the ocean as they need the walk to imprint the beach so they may return in 20 years to lay their eggs.

Many thanks go out to our turtle volunteers for their care of both the nests and babies.





COCKTAILS UNDER THE HARVEST MOON

Mark your calendars—the next “Harvest Moon Party” will be pool side on Friday, October 7, 2016.

Details to follow—watch your emails from Donna for all of the details. Heavy hors d’oeuvres, wine & beer, music & dancing, visiting with friends & neighbors. This is a party that you DON’T want to miss.

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.

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| 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

FRIENDS OF A1A SCENIC AND HISTORICAL COASTAL BYWAY

Fabulous Fall is in Full Swing!

Communities along the A1A Scenic & Historic Coastal Byway are preparing for the fall season's events and activities that we have all come to love.

The Friends of A1A have been working all summer to get ready for our favorite time of year.

Kicking off the fall activities for us is the International Coastal Cleanup. 2015 logged a record number of volunteers pitching in along the A1A coastal corridor for the global effort that will take place on September 17th this year.

Cyclists are gearing up for the 5th Annual Spoonbills & Sprockets Cycling Tour set for November 6th which enjoyed fantastic weather last year. We've set up an easy direct link to the registration page with all the information at your fingertips with the click of a button. Visit www.spoonbillsandsprockets.com for all the details!

Everybody's favorite Super Scenic 72 Mile Garage Sale, now in the 8th year, is the biggest community event bringing together shoppers and locations along the byway for an extravaganza unlike any other in Florida. We've put the community site map up early this year so that everyone has a chance to get their favorite spot! Visit www.scenica1a.org for registration and a peek at the map.

We hope you will take the opportunity to join us for these amazing events and all the A1A Scenic & Historic Coastal Byway has to offer.

Safe Travels!

Danielle Anderson

President

Friends of A1A Scenic & Historic Coastal Byway

Taken from : Friends of A1A Scenic & Historic Coastal Byway August/September 2016 Newsletter
By: Danielle Anderson

For those of you that are interested in the following, meeting dates are as follows:

Friends of A1A meet the 4th Friday of every month at 9:00 A.M.

Hammock Community Association (HCA) meeting is the 1st Tuesday of every month 7:00—9:00 P.M.

Both groups meet at the Hammock Community Center on MalaCompra

Bings Landing South Parking Concerns

The Problem:

Captain's BBQ customers have trouble finding parking spaces when the large pavilion is being leased. Events at the large pavilion can attract up to 100 people, taking up all the available parking in the central parking lot. Business at Captain's is severely curtailed if they are not providing services for the event at the pavilion.

Proposed Solutions:

- Captain's BBQ has offered to handle reservations of the large pavilion. They are open 7 days/week and are located adjacent to the pavilion. This allows them the opportunity to offer their catering services to compete with outside vendors.
- Limit pavilion reservations to groups of 60 or less.
- Additional parking of 21 to 35 spaces was proposed for the southern addition. It was originally written into the Management Plan as 21 spaces.
- Parking might be added in currently open areas, or by moving the large pavilion closer to the Matanzas river and putting parking spaces in its place.
- Diagonal parking in the ROW by the fence - 135 feet allows room for 21 spaces.
- Provide valet parking like they do at Snack Jack's at High Tides in Flagler Beach.

Concerns:

- Adding parking to a small park destroys the reason that visitors come to this park. 23 people per acre is too much for any park.
- The South portion of the park is an example of Old Florida Marine Hammock within easy ADA/walking access of parking and is the only area within Bings Landing Park where you do not have a direct view of a parking lot (see photos below).
- The current parking capacity of over 100 vehicles allows over 200 people into a small park where 7 acres already has four large structures and two parking lots. Adding another parking area with an additional 30 spaces in the south addition will destroy a unique beautiful nature trail through the old Oak trees with interpretive signage and picnic tables.
- Scenic walking trails with footbridges, picnic areas and interpretive signage were built in 2011, funded by a Scenic Byway FDOT grant of \$250,000, a FIND grant of \$80,000, and \$80,000 of Flagler County funding. These grants did not include vehicle parking plans.
- Adding parking on the south addition will cause severe traffic problems on SR A1A unless it is connected to the main parking area with one-way traffic patterns. Two vehicle bridges will be costly and change the dynamic of the park into a restaurant-style parking lot.
- There is no evidence that the management plan calling for parking on the south addition was ever reviewed at a public hearing.
- The north addition was purchased in 2009 with ESL funds with much controversy in order to alleviate the previous parking limitations.
- There are *specific statements in the deed* that seem to preclude a management plan that would include parking, including "*Pedestrian and bicycle access to the project site shall be promoted as an alternative to automobile transportation by providing pedestrian walkways and bicycle parking stands.*" (see deed restrictions below)

Current parking spaces available:

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| Captain's parking | 50+ vehicles |
| North addition | 50+ vehicles |
| Right-of-Way | 12+ vehicles |
| Floating Dock | 10 boats |

September 2016

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

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| | | | | 1 Aerobics - 8 am Ask the Board Questions 6:30 pm Board Meeting 7:00 pm Bridge 1:00 PM Pay Yoga 10 am | 2 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am | 3 Saturday Night Movie 7:30 pm |
| 4 | 5 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am Labor Day Mahjongg 12:30 & 7 pm | 6 HCA Meeting 7:00-9:00 PM Poker 7 pm | 7 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am Mahjongg 1 pm | 8 Aerobics - 8 am Bridge 1:00 PM Pay Yoga 10 am | 9 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am | 10 Saturday Night Movie 7:30 pm |
| 11 Grandparents Day | 12 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am Book Club 10 am Mahjongg 12:30 & 7 pm | 13 Poker 7 pm | 14 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am Mahjongg 1 pm | 15 Aerobics - 8 am Bridge 1:00 PM Pay Yoga 10 am | 16 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am | 17 Citizenship Day HCA AIA Cleanup 7:00 am Saturday Night Movie 7:30 pm |
| 18 | 19 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am Mahjongg 12:30 & 7 pm Social Committee 9:30 am | 20 Finance Committee 9:00 am Poker 7 pm | 21 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am Mahjongg 1 pm | 22 Aerobics - 8 am Bridge 1:00 PM Pay Yoga 10 am | 23 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am Scenic AIA Meeting 9:00 AM | 24 Saturday Night Movie 7:30 pm |
| 25 | 26 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am Mahjongg 12:30 & 7 pm Pool Committee 9:30 am | 27 ARC Committee 10 am Poker 7 pm | 28 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am Confucius' Birthday (Taiwan) Mahjongg 1 pm | 29 Aerobics - 8 am Bridge 1:00 PM Pay Yoga 10 am | 30 Aerobic Walking 9-10 am | |