

Coquina Key News

"The Friendly Island"



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A Newsletter of the Coquina Key Neighborhood Association

June 2008

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

**JUNE 24; 7:30 PM
CLUB HOUSE**

**3850 Pompano Drive SE
Coquina Key Clubhouse**

All Welcome



ISLAND UPDATES



EVERYONE IS ALWAYS WELCOME AT THE BOARD MEETINGS, first Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm, at the Clubhouse (except election nights).

TEE SHIRTS AND CAPS: For sale. \$10 for shirts, \$12 for XXL and caps \$5. Contact Howard at 895-8955.

NEWSLETTER COLLATION: Second **Thursday** of every month, 7 pm, Clubhouse.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: To collate and/or deliver newsletters on the island. Call Mike at 823-8240.

Receive the newsletter via email: coquinakeyneighbors@hotmail.com

Record your community service hours. Visit our web site www.CKNA.org or see form in newsletter.



IF YOU PARK YOUR BOAT OR MOTOR HOME IN YOUR FRONT YARD, BE SURE YOU ARE NOT BREAKING THE LAW. SEE PAGE 6 FOR CODE INFORMATION.



FREE PLANE RIDES FOR KIDS (8-17)

ALBERT WHITTED AIRPORT

JUNE 14, SATURDAY 10:00 AM TO 2:00 PM

International Young Eagles Day

During each flight, the pilots demonstrate how airplanes fly and the proper preparations for a safe flight. EAA's mission is to provide a meaningful flight experience free of charge in a general aviation aircraft for young people. For more information, call Mike Kehoe at 481-1700 or Terri Griner 727-822-1532. A parent or guardian must sign the permission forms.

WHO'S WHO & WHERE TO CALL

COQUINA KEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

President	Jim Gee	599-9159
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Secretary	Torri Morgan	388-2791
Past President	Mike Gulley	244-8374
Directors:	James Harris	896 1392
	Hubert (Bert) Bussey	827-1204
	Mike Kehoe	481-1700
	Andy Fivecoat	896-5596
	Lois Witkowski	895-5905
	Rich Lander	823-1209
	Donna Talbert	424-3577
	Open	

CLUB CHAIRS & COORDINATORS

Clubhouse Rental	Mike Gulley	823-8240
Garden Club	Chloe Gates	823-4678
Swim Pool	Ron Klemme	480-2542

Newsletter by email: coquinakeyneighbors@hotmail.com

OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

Emergency	911
Non-Emergency Police Department	893-7780
Police District Service Line	551-3181
Code Compliance	892-5487
Report Code Violations	893-7373
Mayor's Action Center	893-7111
(Code Violations, other issues)	
Reclaimed Water	892-5111
Mosquito Control	464-7503
Refuse Pickup	893-7398
Rodent Control	893-7360
Drug Tip Hotline (anonymous)	522-5900

IMPORTANT DATES

Board Meeting	1 st Tuesday 7:30 pm
Community Meeting	4 th Tuesday 7:30 pm
Newsletter Folding	2 nd Thursday 7:00 pm
Garden Club Board	1 st Monday 7:00 pm
Garden Club (not summer)	2 nd Monday 7:00 pm

All meetings are at the
Coquina Key Community Center
3850 Pompano Drive SE

Coquina Key News Want to Place an Ad? (Monthly Rates)

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Editor:	Mike Gulley	244-8374
Advertising:	Donna Talbert	424-3577
Printing:	Star Graphics	867-9388

To be considered for publication all material must be submitted by the first Tuesday of the month.

E-mail articles or topics to jmgulley1@hotmail.com OR deliver or mail to Coquina Key Community Center, 3850 Pompano Drive SE, St. Petersburg, FL 33705. Please mark envelope "Newsletter."

Although not necessarily for publication, articles must be accompanied with a name and phone number or address so source can be contacted if required.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Find an interest, join a committee
Call Jim Gee

Beautification Committee—

Planting party being planned.

Clubhouse Maintenance Committee—

Fence repairs complete. Needed: Cleaning, lighting, painting and doors

Code Enforcement Committee—

Call the Mayor's Action Line 893-7111

Crime Watch Committee—

If you feel threatened, call 911. If you see suspicious activity, call 893-7780. If you have on-going problems, call 551-3181.

Grants Committee—

Lighting Grant with Bayou Bonita

Membership Committee

Membership form in this newsletter. Get pool use. Make our island a better place to live.

Pool Committee—

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GARDEN CLUB CHANGES NAME AND PURPOSE

Ann DuBois informed the Board that the Garden Club changed their name to the Coquina Key Neighborhood Association Social and Gardening Club

For more information, contact Ann at 727-895-1138. Look for details of the Christmas in July event in the next newsletter.

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June 8	June 9	June 10	June 11	June 12	June 13	June 14 FLAG DAY
June 15	June 16	June 17	June 18	June 19	June 20	June 21
June 22	June 23	June 24 NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING 7:30	June 25	June 26	June 27	June 28
June 29	June 30	July 1 BOARD MEETING 7:30	July 2	July 3	July 4 Independence Day!	July 5
July 6	July 7	July 8	July 9	July 10 Newsletter Collation 7PM	July 11	July 12
July 13	July 14	July 15	July 16	July 17	July 18	July 19
July 20	July 21	July 22 NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING 7:30	July 23	July 24	July 25	July 26
July 27	July 28	July 29	July 30	July 31	Aug 1	Aug 2
Aug 3	Aug 4	Aug 5 BOARD MEETING 7:30	Aug 6	Aug 7	Aug 8	Aug 9

**RECORD YOUR VOLUNTEER TIME HERE.
IT GOES TO OUR FREE GRANT MONEY FROM THE CITY**

Use our website (www.ckna.org) or fill in the form below and drop it off in the mailbox at 3850 Pompano Drive SE.

COQUINA KEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEMBERS TIME RECORD

MEMBER NAME _____

TASK	LOCATION	DATE	TIME	TOTAL TIME SPENT

Record: Watering trees on the parking, picking up litter, planting flowers in public areas, etc.

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CLIP AND MAIL BACK WITH YOUR \$30 CHECK TO THE ADDRESS AT THE TOP

Name: _____

Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

Address: _____

E-mail me a copy of the newsletter

The pool membership is included in the Association membership.

I am interested in using the pool. Send me the required releases and key information.

VOLUNTEER & INTEREST AREAS

I would like more information or to VOLUNTEER for (check interests):

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Garden Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Club House Management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government Liaison | <input type="checkbox"/> Island Beautification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Violations | <input type="checkbox"/> Cruise Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Control |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Island Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Writing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Participation on the Board of Directors or as an Officer of the Association | |

OTHER: _____

CKNA Member Questionnaire—Getting to Know You

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone Numbers: Home: _____ Cell: _____

1. Are you interested in serving on an Association committee?
Yes _____ Not at this time, but call me and let's talk _____ No _____
 - a. If YES, is there a specific committee you are interested in joining?
2. Are there any specific ideas or recommendations you have for improving our community?
 - a. If so, what project(s) would you most like to see the Association embark upon?
 - b. How could you contribute to the project team?
3. Are you presently an active member of the Association?
4. Do you know someone in the neighborhood that may be interested in participating on a committee?
If yes, please help us contact them.

Name : _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____



SAINT PETERSBURG TOP 10 CODE VIOLATIONS

1 YARD MAINTENANCE STANDARDS

Yard maintenance standards are the responsibility of every property owner and include the maintenance of plant material in any right-of-way around the property. Grass type ground cover must be maintained at ten inches or less. Hedges located within 5 feet of the property line must be properly trimmed to height limits specified in the code. The branches of a tree extending over any public sidewalk, street or other public way should be trimmed to a height of no less than eight feet above the sidewalk and fourteen feet above the street. Vegetation and trees must be trimmed so as not to impair vision or obstruct the travel of motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians upon any street, sidewalk or alley.

2 JUNK AND RUBBISH/OUTDOOR STORAGE

Junk and rubbish cannot be left in the yard and must be properly disposed of. This includes junk auto parts, appliances, furniture, building materials and tires; trash such as discarded paper, cardboard, plastics, etc; and debris such as tree trimmings and fallen limbs.

Outdoor storage is prohibited. Generally, any equipment, materials, or furnishings that would ordinarily not be used outdoors may not be stored outdoors. For example, you may not keep indoor furniture, household appliances, auto parts, or building materials outside. You may not store firewood outside unless it is stacked on open racks eighteen inches above the ground. You may store a barbecue grill, lawn furniture, garden hoses, garden tools, outdoor play equipment for children, or a lawn mower outside in an orderly fashion.

3 INOPERATIVE MOTOR VEHICLES

Inoperative motor vehicles cannot be stored except in a fully enclosed structure that was constructed with a permit. An inoperative vehicle is a vehicle that does not display a current license tag and/or is not equipped with all parts that are required to legally and safely operate on public streets and/or cannot be driven under its own power (whether or not designed for use on the public streets).

4 PAINT

Paint or other water resistant treatment is required on the exterior of structures. Approved exterior siding or brick that is well maintained and water resistant will also meet the code. Any repairs to the exterior of a structure must be made with materials that match the balance of the structure. Therefore, siding or brick must be repaired using similar siding or brick. When damaged wood is repaired, the replacement wood must be painted the same as the surrounding wood.

Did You Know?

- On any day the Codes Compliance Assistance Department's active case load is over 7,000 cases.
- The most common violations cited are: (1) failure to maintain grass, plants and trees, (2) failure to clean up junk and rubbish or outdoor storage, and (3) inoperative motor vehicles.
- Before work begins, permits are required for any structural repairs, most plumbing and electrical work, driveway installations, and even removal of certain trees. Call Construction Services and Permitting at 727-893-7231 for more information.

5 PARKING

Front yard parking is permitted for passenger cars and motorcycles in residential lots only on a legal driveway or in a garage. A driveway or parking area must be constructed with approved parking surfaces. There are limits to the amount of yard area that can be used for a driveway or parking. Check with the Development Review Services Division at 727-893-7471 for more information about legally recognized parking areas.

6 CONDITION OF STRUCTURES

The maintenance of a structure is the responsibility of the property owner. Any wood, siding, shingles, roof covering, railings, fences, walls, ceilings, porches, doors, windows and screens, and other exterior parts of a structure must be maintained in weather tight, rodent proof, sound condition and good repair. The property owner is responsible for maintaining secure windows, doors or other openings that cannot be readily opened for the outside. An owner may need to board up a vacant structure if a break-in occurs. Security boards must be made of exterior grade plywood painted in a neutral color that blends inconspicuously with the exterior colors of the building.

7 DOMESTIC EQUIPMENT

Domestic equipment includes motor homes, trailers, utility trailers, boats and campers. Up to two pieces of domestic equipment may be located on certain areas of a residential lot. Domestic equipment may be located in the rear yard or interior side yard of a lot; but not in a front yard, a street side yard, or a waterfront yard. On weekends only, equipment may be brought into the front yard to allow easy access and more frequent use.

8 COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT

Generally, commercial equipment and commercial vehicles may not be parked in a residential area unless they are within a fully enclosed structure that was constructed with a permit. For each residential lot, one commercial vehicle designed as a van, pickup truck, or similar vehicle of up to 20 feet long and up to 7 feet high may be parked on a legally recognized parking area.

9 ILLEGAL DWELLING UNITS

Dwelling units that have been added to the interior or the exterior of a structure without proper permits are illegal, regardless of how long the units have existed. The city will require closure of such units.

10 PROHIBITED BUSINESS

Most businesses are not allowed to operate in residential areas. This means that car and boat repairs, construction of cabinets and furniture, and other activities that are not normally carried on in a residential district are prohibited, except that you may work on your own car, boat, cabinets, etc., provided the activity does not disrupt or injure nearby residents.

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Chairperson's News Letter

6-08-08

Well, we can say that we had a good Garage Sale Day but a better type of results with our Throwaway and Material Haul-off day. It took the second day to clear the Island of all of the Material. We had about 60 Garage Sales going on at the same time on Saturday. I have seen many more venders in the past, but I thank you, everyone that participated and helped with the pre-work in setting the event into motion.

We will have another in November and if you have ideas on how to advertise or know some venders that might like to have a table at the Association Building please write us or call us with the information. We need your ideas. Maybe an Art Day Sale. The November sale will be advertised for a week in advance up to the day of the sale. Thank You Again.

To another Subject, City Codes and Crime Watch Programs: We are developing our groups and Teams in both of these subject areas. We again need your help in supporting these groups. You may want to volunteer for help in these two groups. We are featuring the top ten Code Violations we have in the City and on our Island. Those Code Violations are listed in this newsletter. We are trying to get the information out to everyone and the best way to do that is discuss these codes with your neighbor.

You can also visit our Association Meetings on the 4th Tuesday of the Month. We will have time to discuss many of your questions and find and answer for you. Many of our neighbors are new on the island and we have to let them know what the codes are. Our City Inspectors are working with our Group in helping to define many of our strengths and weaknesses' in our violation stats.

It is very important for us to follow the various Code guidelines as we are working in partnership with the City in many directions with programs for improvement. For example is the haul-off program. One year we were given the cost figure for the haul-off equaled \$ 14,000. Our Island Plan absorbed the Cost as many of our volunteers were on the Matching City Funds program.

We will use this News letter to inform you with any codes or City News that will involve our homes and neighborhood. You may see some of the same information three months in a row. Please let your neighbors know this information and especially the Code listing.

Each Month we will feature one code in detail.

Jim Gee

President of the Neighborhood Association



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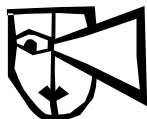
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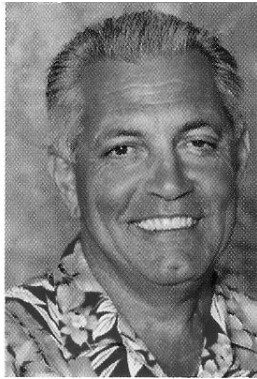
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