



Little Gasparilla Property Owners Association  
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**Important Information in this issue you won't want to miss!**

- \*\* Next LGPOA event Saturday, January 2nd @ noon! ISLAND NEIGHBOR PICNIC and POKER RUN!**
- \*\* Results of the Island Wide Garage Sale!**
- \*\* 2015 Turtle results are in!**
- \*\* LGIFR, new board members announced and the next meeting is January 2nd at 10am!**

## Island Water

### ISLAND WATER HOOKUPS

The county commission, at its meeting of Nov 10th, 2015 created an 5-year exemption from the requirement to connect to the LGI water system (i. e., Jack Boyer's water system) for LGI property owners who are using well or cistern systems as of the date of the meeting (Nov. 10th), subject to certain provisos.

Well or cistern owners who desire the exemption must submit complete application prior to Feb 1, 2016, to qualify. For well and cistern owners a satisfactory water quality test performed by the health department within 30 days prior to the date of the application, must be included with the application.

For groundwater-supplied systems, and for combination rainwater-groundwater systems, an engineers report certifying that the well meets county requirements must be included with the application in addition to the health department's water quality test.

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The exemption requires that the health department will test the water at the property annually. The ordinance created no new testing or application requirements for cistern systems not used for household water.

The above information is a non-official summary only. The Health Department is currently working out final details of the application process. See the website below for official up-to-date information.

[www.charlottecountyfl.gov/services/buildingconstruction/Documents/ApplicationExemptionMandatoryConnection.pdf](http://www.charlottecountyfl.gov/services/buildingconstruction/Documents/ApplicationExemptionMandatoryConnection.pdf)

## **Sailboat**

The sailboat that washed up July 24th, still remains, but she's in pieces. Unfortunately, nothing has moved or changed since the first part of November. Nicole and Heather removed what they could without cutting in the water. Those pieces are piled on the beach above the high water line. What is left in the water is a jagged shell.

Nicole and Heather pled not guilty at the hearing on November 4th and were assigned a public defender. They had another hearing December 10th.

The LGPOA is working with government officials to expedite salvaging the debris.

## **\*\* Social Committee**

From Social Committee Chair, Chris Stonebridge:

### **"ISLAND WIDE GARAGE SALE!**

We had 9 homes (11 families) participate Thanksgiving Saturday! What a fun way to recycle and meet other islanders!

The weather was perfect for the event! It was a beautiful day to cart around the island, meet neighbors and exchange treasures!

With all the support and positive feedback, let's make it an annual event!"

**\*\*Environmental Committee**

**From Environmental Chair, Linda Soderquist:**

**“The data has been collected and compiled on our island's 2015 sea turtle nesting season (May 1 - Oct. 31). We had 175 loggerhead nests and 3 green turtle nests. Our numbers improve every year! Sadly, we also had a high number of "false crawls", when the turtle comes up on the beach but does not lay her eggs. 307 false crawls indicate that something is disturbing our turtles as they come up to attempt to lay eggs. Please remember that lights (including flashlights, cell phone lights, and photo flashes) disturb nesting sea turtles. If you do see a turtle coming up on the beach, remain still and observe from a distance, and do not shine lights on her. We are also looking for more volunteers to help with our beach monitoring for the 2016 nesting season. Please e-mail me at [linist@hotmail.com](mailto:linist@hotmail.com). Thank you!”**

**\*\*Little Gasparilla Island Fire and Rescue (LGIFR)**

**From Judy McCoy, President:**

**LGIFR has 3 new Board members who will take office on January 1. They are Bob Weronik, Andy Hagelin, and Paul Holmes. Remaining Board members are Conrad Coolidge and Diana Obermeyer, who each have 2 more years in their terms.**

**There were 344 islanders that voted. The results follow:**

**District 1 Bob Weronik 223, Phyllis NeSmith 120**

**District 3 Andy Hagelin 224, Wayne Snell 118**

**The new board members held an organizational meeting immediately after LGIFR's Annual Meeting today. They elected Bob Weronik as Chairman, Andy Hagelin as Vice Chairman, Conrad Coolidge as Treasurer, and Diana Obermeyer as Secretary.**

**The new Board's first meeting will be held on January 2, 2016 at 10am.**

**\*\*Mark your calendar! ISLAND NEIGHBOR PICNIC and POKER RUN!**

**The first LGPOA community event of 2016 will be Saturday, January 2nd at noon. The picnic will take place at the Placida Condos in the grassy area. Please bring**

**your own chair, beverage, dish to pass and a charged cart! Hotdogs, hamburgers, water, plates, napkins and utensils will be provided. There will be a few iced coolers for your dishes requiring refrigeration during the Poker run.**

**It's not a race, just a cruise! The top 3 poker hands will be awarded prizes once everyone returns, the picnic will follow!**

**Everyone is welcome!**

**You'll be able to join the LGPOA (free membership until April 1st, 2016), update your current membership information and volunteer for future events on site.**

**Rain or shine, let's get together and celebrate the New Year!**

### **LGPOA DISTRICT ADDRESSES**

**Which district are you in?**

- **District 1: 8000 – 8288**
- **District 2: 8292 – 8538, including: 8542, 8550, 8556, 8560, 8564, 8568, 8570, 8576, 8578, 8586**
- **District 3: 8594 – 8888, including: 8546, 8554, 8558, 8562, 8566, 8574, 8582, 8590, excluding: 8802-8818 (even #'s)**
- **District 4: 8890 - 9134, including: 8802-8818 (even #'s)**
- **District 5: 9140 – 9394**
- **District 6: Hideaway Bay**
- **District 7: 9420 – 9646, excluding: 9494, 9498, 9502**
- **District 8: 9660 – 9908, including: 9494, 9498, 9502**

**Who is your LGPOA representative?**

- **Richard Leydon, President, representing District 4, leydonrealestate@gmail.com**
- **Andy Hagelin, Director, representing District 1, Andrew.hagelin@gmail.com**
- **Rhonda Freeman, Director, representing District 2 rfreeman123@yahoo.com**
- **Rhonda Olson, Director, representing District 3, twrhonda@gmail.com**
- **Mary Lou Davidson, Director, representing District 5, maryloudavidson@yahoo.com**
- **Anita Burger, Secretary, representing District 6, bfaburger@gmail.com**
- **Paul Holmes, Treasurer, representing District 7, pbholmes0@gmail.com**
- **Tom McCoy, Director, representing District 8, thomas.mccoy@vanderbilt.edu**

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**Committee Chairs:**

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**Please feel free to email me with any information you'd like circulated in the next month's Coconut Telegraph by the 25th of the month. Content is reviewed by board members for approval.**

**Much appreciated! Rhonda Olson, [twrhonda@gmail.com](mailto:twrhonda@gmail.com)**