



Little Gasparilla Property Owners Association
PO Box 3643
Placida, FL 33946

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We WANT YOUR OPINION!

The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 15th at 5pm. We will meet at the Placida Condo's meeting room by the pool. The main topic to be discussed is the future goals of the Property Owners Association. What would you like addressed?

The board would like to ask everyone to attend, but if that's not possible, please email your district representative with your ideas and comments! (Details on districts and emails are below)

District 2 POA Representative needed

Walter Woolf resigned as our District 2 representative. A big "thank you" for your time and service Walter! If you are interested in the position, district 2 includes 8292 – 8538, also: 8542, 8550, 8556, 8560, 8564, 8568, 8570, 8576, 8578 and 8586. Please volunteer on the LGPOA website, or contact Richard Leydon at richardleydonjr@gmail.com.

Little Gasparilla Property Owners Association - Free Membership!

From Membership Chair, Mary Lou Davidson:

"LGPOA welcomes your FREE on-line Membership application/renewal today! Just visit www.lgpoa.org

Our "Free Membership" campaign is designed to introduce new islanders to their Property Owners Association as well as welcome back former POA members.

This promotion will expire in Spring of 2016 so apply/renew now, and enjoy the benefits of your Property Owners Association.

Renew/Apply today at www.lgpoa.org. On the homepage click on "LGPOA Free Membership."

Please help us by sharing the free membership information with your friends and neighbors.

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Environmental

From Environmental Chair, Linda Soderquist:

“Crocodile or alligator? Recently, one of these reptiles was spotted on LGI’s beach. Which one was it? American Crocodiles are normally limited to brackish habitats such as ponds, coves, or mangrove swamps, and their habitat is limited to southern Florida. Recently, individual crocs have been spotted further north, but sightings outside extreme south Florida are still rare. Alligators, on the other hand, are primarily freshwater animals and do not live in the ocean. Alligators are commonly found all over Florida in ponds, freshwater lakes, and brackish lagoons. They have been spotted in saltwater, but visit for only short intervals. Perhaps they are using the salt water to rid themselves of parasites, or drifted into the Gulf during a heavy rainfall. Our island’s reptile was photographed, but no positive identification could be made. Check out Croc vs. Gator ID for more information. Observe and photograph these reptiles from a distance. Remember, they’re an important part of Florida’s natural history as well as an integral component of aquatic ecosystems.

Mosquitoes biting you?

Call or email Charlotte County Mosquito Control
941-764-4370 and let them know!”

LGIFR

From Judy McCoy, President:

“Little Gasparilla Island Fire and Rescue will hold its Annual Meeting on Saturday, December 5, 2015 at 10AM at the Firehouse, 9540 Jolly Roger Trail. All LGI property owners are members of LGIFR and are welcome to attend.

LGIFR Board of Directors terms for Districts 1 (Phyllis NeSmith), 3 (Fred Baruth), and 5 (Judy McCoy) will end in December 2015. At this time LGIFR is seeking candidates for the three seats. Each term is 4 years.

If your property on LGI is located in District 1 (Addresses 8022 – 8500), District 3 (8954-9394), or District 5 (9472 – 9532, 9560 – 9604, and 9632 – 9912) and you are willing to serve on LGIFR’s Board of Directors, please notify Diana Obermeyer at Seafanz@aol.com or mail to: LGIFR Secretary, PO Box 954, Placida, FL 33946. Written notice of candidacy must be received by email or US mail no later than October 26, 2015.

If there is more than one candidate for a district, election ballots will be mailed to each LGIFR member no later than Nov. 10, 2015. Election results will be announced at the annual meeting, which is scheduled for Saturday, December 5, 2015.”

Labor Day weekend activity:

Kids Marine Clinic – Saturday, September 5th

Linda Soderquist, our resident Florida Master Naturalist, will hold the Kids Marine Clinic on Saturday, September 5th. There will be a session at 1pm and another at 2pm. The children will learn about sea

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grasses and their importance. They will also be educated on how long garbage lasts in the ocean. And the best part, they get to use nets in the sea grass to examine and observe the life it sustains. Water shoes are a must! All children participating will receive a certificate as well as a goody bag.

- Who? Kids of all ages invited.
- When? Session 1 is 1pm - 2 and Session 2 is 2 to 3, to save your spot call 941-270-7994.
- Where? South and East of Hideaway Condo Building "A"
- Why? Learn about seagrasses, collect critters to observe and HAVE FUN!

We have enough volunteers, but if you'd like to come and help you are more than welcome! Please contact Linda directly at the number above or, visit the volunteer portion of the website at www.lgpoa.org and your information will be forwarded to her!

A big thank you to Hideaway Bay for allowing the event to take place behind building "A" by the bay.

T-Shirt Sales – Sunday, September 6th

LGIFR will be selling T-shirts on Sunday, September 6, from 10AM to 5PM on the main road in front of the Hideaway Condominiums.

International Coastal Cleanup – September, 19th 2015

Mark your calendars! Islanders can come, help collect and transport items to a dumpster at Eldred's Marina.

We are looking for groups of people to remove garbage from our mangroves, the inner-island and also from the beach. On Sept. 19th, volunteers will help collect and transport garbage to the dumpster at Eldred's Marina from 8 until noon.

We added another group to concentrate only on bagged garbage the weekend before, (**Saturday, September 12th**). We will walk the mangroves on the bay side at low tide starting at 7am. Let's meet at LGI Carts to pick up the forms and empty garbage bags. You can drop any full bags from 9-noon at the golf cart shop.

So far we have 11 volunteers for the 12th and 5 for the 19th!

Larger garbage will be accepted at Eldred's Marina on the 19th. (No appliances or TVs). Volunteers will receive a T-shirt, as long as you sign up in advance!! If you can participate, please visit the volunteer section at www.lgpoa.org. Be sure to leave your name, email, dates you can help, and don't forget shirt sizes for you and your helpers! Any questions, please call 941-999-7788.

Sailboat

According to their "Derelict Vessel Citation," the owners are supposed to have the boat removed in September before their court date.

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

Committee Chairs:

- Environmental: Linda Soderquist, linist@hotmail.com
- Island Services: Phyllis NeSmith, phlstory@gmail.com
- Social: Chris Stonebridge, Chris.Stonebridge@cnair.com
- Membership: Mary Lou Davidson, maryloudavidson@yahoo.com
- Hurricane: Leigh Olson, leighols@gmail.com and Stacy Supanich-McGoon, supanichs@me.com
- Website Design and Maintenance: Mary Lou Davidson, maryloudavidson@yahoo.com and Bob Mahoney, bobjm77@yahoo.com

Please feel free to email me with any information you'd like circulated in the Coconut Telegraph in the future.

Much appreciated! Rhonda Olson, twrhonda@gmail.com

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