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Important Information in this issue you won't want to miss!

- **LGPOA Annual Meeting coming soon. Will we see you there?
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Spring Break tips...Police Protection

As we prepare for our Spring Break visitors, islanders and visiting guests will be reassured by the additional police officers hired by the LGPOA. Each officer that's new to our unique island is briefed by Sherriff Ed Trentacosta and receives an island customs orientation from an LGPOA board member.

What can you do to help if you have guests?

- 1. Are adults staying at your home to supervise your younger guests?
- 2. We all know litter occurs, sometimes accidentally, please encourage your guests to pick up after themselves and others.
- 3. If your guests have pets, provide or ask them to bring waste bags for animal clean up. Remind them to bring their leashes!
- 4. Carts need at least a flashlight for travel at night on the island. Encourage people to drive slow and be mindful of other islanders.
- 5. Store fishing equipment out of site and secure your golf carts.

We know these "island customs" are expected on the island, but visitors may not. Please share them to make the island a better place for everyone!

**Mark your Calendar- Annual Meeting date

The Spring 2018 Annual LGPOA Membership Meeting and picnic will be held Saturday, April 14th @ 10 am at the Placida Beach Condos. Bring your chair and a dish to pass. Does anyone want to run the grill at the event? Please contact twrhonda@gmail.com.

**Notice of LGPOA Bi-annual Elections

From Secretary, Terrie Weibley:

Are you a property owner on Little Gasparilla Island who has joined the LGPOA? Do you have a desire to preserve our unique island way of life? LGPOA Board Representatives for **Districts 2, 4, 6 and 8 are up for election, as is the seat in District 1**. The current Board invites statements of interest from islanders in these particular districts. This is the initial step leading to participation as a District Representative.

The property addresses for Districts 1, 2, 4, 6 and 8 are given below. If you would like to serve on the Board of Directors, please email a brief written statement introducing yourself and why you would like to serve. Statements will be posted on the LGPOA website and emailed to all LGPOA members. Elections will take place immediately following the Annual Meeting on Saturday, April 14, 2018.

Please submit your statement of interest to LGPOA Secretary Terrie Weibley, tweibley1@gmail.com, no later than Monday, March 15, 2018.

Determining Your District by Address Number:

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#1 - 8000 - 8288
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#2 – 8292 – 8538 plus 8542, 8550, 8556, 8560, 8564, 8568, 8570, 8576, 8578, 8586

#4 - 8890 - 9134 plus 8802 -8818 (even #'s)

#6 – Hideaway Bay Condominiums

#8- 9660 – 9908 plus 9494, 9498, 9502

**LGPOA Annual Membership Drive

From Membership Chair, Mary Lou Davidson:

Current LGPOA memberships will expire on April 30, 2018, the last day of the LGPOA's fiscal year.

On or before April 30th, we welcome your on-line renewal at www.lgpoa.org/membership or, your paper submission via US mail. 2018/19 membership applications will be mailed in mid-February.

**Little Gasparilla Island Fire and Rescue (LGIFR) (The LGPOA is not affiliated with the LGIFR, we just want to keep you up to date on all island activities.)

The next meeting of LGIFR will be Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 3:30 pm at the firehouse. All owners of LGI property are members of LGIFR and are encouraged to attend the Board meetings.

2018 LGIFR Fundraiser Results

What a great turn out! Thank you to everyone who participated and helped, together we raised \$8000 for our fire department.

Little Gasparilla Property Owners Association Board and Committee names and emails can be found on the LGPOA website at www.lgpoa.org.

Please feel free to email me at twrhonda@gmail.com 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.

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