

On The Riviera

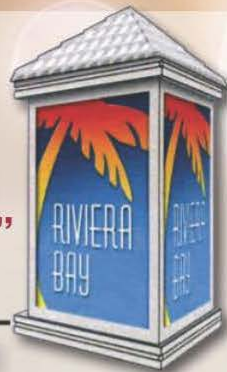
NEWSLETTER OF THE RIVIERA BAY CIVIC ASSOCIATION SINCE 1960

60th Year!

"It's Another Great Day in Riviera Bay!"

JAN / FEB 2020 ISSUE

www.rbcaneews.com



A New Year and a New Decade!

It's 2020. A new decade begins, and RBCA is celebrating its 60th Anniversary! I cannot believe it has been a year since I was voted in as President of RBCA. I hope to be re-elected later this month and continue to work with an amazing group of neighborhood residents. And although 2019 may have seemed like a slow year for RBCA, we are making strides for big improvements in Riviera Bay for 2020. Many new residents are moving in and taking interest in being involved and making it another great day in Riviera Bay. If you have a new neighbor, reach out and welcome them to Riviera Bay, and invite them to our next gathering or event.

If you were in attendance at our RBCA Thanksgiving Dinner, I hope you had a great time and met some new neighbors. If you missed it, we hope you can join us this

community safe.

Many of you may already know, RBCA participated in the Christmas Tree Village at Shopapalooza on November 30th and December 31st. Council of Neighborhood Associations in partnership with LocalShops1 presented awards in



several categories. Although RBCA did not win any of the award categories, it was a pleasure to see many of my fellow neighborhood Presidents and representatives receive awards and cash prizes for their hard work and dedication to their respective neighborhoods. Disston Heights Civic Association took home the People's Choice Award.

As tradition continues, all our general gatherings are set for 3rd Tuesdays of odd months at Liberty Baptist. I hope you will join us for our next gathering on January 21st as we will be voting for our 2020 Board of Directors. We will also have representatives from Water Resources at City of St Petersburg presenting about the city's water conservation programs.

May you have a wonderful year in 2020!

Vicki Shuman, RBCA President



year for one our regular events. Many thanks to Dave and Donna Hoover for coordinating the main meal from Luckie B's, to Toni for picking up the food and desserts, to Stephen for providing drinks and to Lori for gathering all our decorations. A special thank you to our wonderful pledge leader Miss Emily Obst. And thank you to our Community Service Officer Cory Crawford and Councilwoman Brandi Gabbard for speaking with us and always keeping our

GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

Starting at 6:30 pm

LOCATION: LIBERTY BAPTIST HALL

9401 4TH ST N

**Corner of 94th Ave & 2nd St
enter 94th Ave side under breezeway**

2020 RBCA EVENTS

Jan 21 - GENERAL MEETING

Feb 1 - ADOPT-A-MILE

Feb 11 - BOARD MEETING

Mar 6-8 - YARD SALE

Mar 17 - GENERAL MEETING

Apr 4 - CANAL CLEAN UP

Apr 11 - EASTER ICE CREAM
SOCIAL

Apr 14 - BOARD MEETING

May 19 - GENERAL MEETING

June 9 - BOARD MEETING

July 21 - GENERAL MEETING

Aug 1 - ADOPT-A-MILE

Aug 11 - BOARD MEETING

Sept 22 - GENERAL MEETING

Oct 2-4 - YARD SALE

Oct 13 - BOARD MEETING

Nov 7 - ADOPT-A-MILE

Nov 17 - GEN. MEETING/
THANKSGIVING DINNER



BRAD BESS

Local Realtor

*Unique Marketing
Strategies
FREE Assessment
of Your Home*

I love our wonderful neighborhood and love helping my neighbors achieve their Real Estate Goals.

Our neighborhood is consistently one of the most desirable areas in St. Petersburg.

Feel free to contact me anytime with advice on selling your home or simply asking about our current Market.

My family and I are committed to making this neighborhood the best that it can be, whether it is the 4th of July Flags, Footballs leading up to the big game, passing out the newsletters or most recently, sponsoring the Memorial Day Concert at the Sandbar!

I am a neighbor first, so feel free to call anytime with questions or assistance!



Hear what your neighbors have to say about me:

"In August of 2017 we met Brad as we were looking to purchase a home in the Riviera Bay neighborhood. From the first day we met Brad, me and my wife were 110% satisfied with not only his professionalism, but the fact that he truly cared about our purchase.....it felt like doing business with a close family friend!" — *Trevor L McCarthy*

"He went above and beyond even after the sale, connecting us the services required to set up housekeeping. Brad was professional, reliable, honest and made purchasing our home smooth, and seamless." — *Desiree and Rick Panlilio*

"Brad Bess recently helped my wife and I purchase and sell a home. He was an aggressive advocate for us on our purchase and literally worked day and night to make sure everything went

smoothly. He was honest and knowledgeable, especially about the Riviera Bay market." — *Brenton J. Ross, Esq.*

"Brad is friendly, professional, prompt, and reliable. He is also a kind family man and is an active member of the community." — *Megan Spears*

"We had such a good experience buying a house with Brad we decided to sell our house through him too. Brad's a great realtor and all around a good guy, and we'd definitely recommend him to anybody moving into the area." — *Phil and Erin Skiba*

"What first drew me to Brad was his friendly, honest personality, followed by his enthusiasm and commitment to our community. His recommendations have always been well-founded, accurate, and validated through his continuous, professional work efforts and current, overall market knowledge." — *George Kern*

Call Today: 727-324-3077
email: bradbess@gmail.com



Winner of the RBCA Christmas Decorations Contest

Congratulations to Joe and Karen of 9483 Sun Isle Drive! A winning feature was being able to see trees in the backyard lit up!

Competition is always fierce each year. Many homes at the top of the list unfortunately were not RBCA members. Please remember only RBCA members can be in the running for the \$50 Publix gift certificate and "bragging rights" for their win!



**SAMPLE TONS
OF GREAT FOOD
& CRAFT BEER!**

SATURDAY, FEB 1

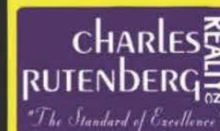
FoodBrewsFestival.com

..... *Florida*
**FOOD &
BREWS
FESTIVAL**



FOR SALE

Terri Hammer . . . REALTOR
"Your Neighborhood Specialist"
CALL, for a FREE, in-Home Consultation.



Call 727-235-3810

ARE YOU:

- Thinking of buying or selling a home?
- Confused about today's changing home values?
- Unsure of Current Real Estate Values?

I am a 16+ year Riviera Bay Resident, helping Friends and Neighbors Buy and Sell Homes right here in our Neighborhood for more than 10 Years.

Convenient Office location at: **9079 4th St North, St. Petersburg**
727-235-3810 • email: TerriHammer@aol.com



KAT'S CLEANING SERVICE

Your neighbors love me! Call for references!
Kat McClure (727) 579-7244



4th Street FAMILY DENTISTRY

Now Open and Accepting New Patients
727-478-2256
1808 4th Street North St. Petersburg
Conveniently located across from Sunken Gardens
www.4thStreetFamilyDentistry.com

Brian Leeson D.M.D.



Neighborhood Resident
AL'S SUPER LAWN CARE
LICENSED & INSURED
343-7477

Dan Boldt 727-692-7365
iwantawalk.com

In-Home Pet Sitting Dog Walking
iwantawalk@gmail.com


I Want A Walk PET SERVICES
Licensed, Insured & Bonded

Do you know where your **NextHome** is going to be?
GULF TO BAY

CALL Bernie Lutz
704-607-2995
bernielutz.com
License #: SL3425808
NextHome Gulf to Bay

LIST PRICE BEDS BATHS SQUARE FEET LOT SIZE




Crime Watch Corner

By Don Gilbert

"Dos & Do Nots"

DO let the City of Saint Petersburg Police Department know about suspicious Activities or Persons in our neighborhood and when it is an emergency situation call 911. In Non-Emergency situations call 893-7780 or Text to TIP411 with SPPD at the beginning of the text message so it can be quickly directed to the Saint



Petersburg Police Department.

DO walk or jog facing traffic to see what the vehicles are doing as they approach you. You will not be surprised and you can move (out of the roadway) when they are being distracted. This is especially important since we do not have sidewalks in Riviera Bay.

DO consider installing Motion Activated LED lights on the front of your house (the motion area is within your yard) to reduce the interest by the night time Creepy Crawlers (thieves who try your car doors).

DO remove any valuables viewable from outside of your vehicles. If the valuables are of significant value the Creepy Crawlers will break your windows to retrieve it and anything else in your vehicles.

DO install cameras for recorded history of activities in front and possibly the back yards of your homes. Cameras themselves may not deter their activity but they can help law enforcement to arrest and prosecute the Creepy Crawlers.

DO join NextDoor, the National online blog for neighborhoods. It is a great place for sharing information and concerns. If you experience Creepy Crawlers you can notify the police and then notify your neighbors of the situation. If we are all working together on the Creepy Crawlers problem we can reduce it.

DO join the Riviera Bay Crime Watch! We assist the law enforcement

community in being Eyes and Ears in reporting suspicious activities in our community.

DO NOT forget to come to the next Riviera Bay Civic Association meeting on January 21st. At 6:30 PM we have free Pizza and Sodas. It is a great time to meet your neighbors. We will be holding our annual elections for the board of directors during this meeting.



James R. "Jim" Kennedy, Jr.

727-821-6888

250 Mirror Lake Dr. North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702

PERSONAL ATTENTION FROM AN EXPERIENCED ATTORNEY

Wills & Trusts

Family Law

Personal Injury

Auto Accident

Medical Malpractice

www.jrklaw.com

jim@jrklaw.com

FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION BY PHONE OR IN OFFICE

9ROUND
30 MIN KICKBOX FITNESS

NO CLASS TIMES
NEW SESSIONS START EVERY 3 MINUTES

TRAINER INCLUDED
TO GUIDE AND MOTIVATE YOU

FULL-BODY WORKOUT
GUARANTEED RESULTS IN JUST 30 MINUTES

WORKOUT CHANGES DAILY
A NEW PROGRAMMED WORKOUT EVERY DAY

TRY US OUT
IT'S FREE!

10308 Roosevelt Blvd N, St. Petersburg, FL 33716 727-291-8875

83rd Ave Adopt-A-Mile

Our Adopt-A-Mile agreement with Keep Pinellas Beautiful calls for quarterly clean-ups, one of which is combined with an annual canal and business corridor clean up. We hope you will join us in 2020 to help keep Riviera Bay beautiful! Volunteers are provided with necessary supplies, can work on teams and kids are always welcome to join!



Thank you to Stephen, Judy, Claudia, Peter, Brianne, Brian, Toni, Matt and Miranda, who joined in at our last clean up on November 2nd. We logged 10 volunteer hours (10 people at 1 hour each) and collected 6 trash bags totaling

43 pounds of trash.

Please consider joining us on Saturday February 1st. Meet at 9 am at the St Petersburg Presbyterian Church, 600 83rd Ave NE.

Riviera Bay Park Butterfly Garden

Don't forget...we continue to need your help and support to maintain the butterfly Garden at Riviera Bay Park. Patti Thomas has stepped up to be the garden coordinator. She needs all of our help! Please keep an eye out for future garden detail dates as we will be mulching again soon.



CLAY GLOVER, PA

REAL ESTATE PROFESSIONAL

Top 1% of Pinellas Real Estate Agents
Tell me about your real estate vision today!



For all your Riviera Bay real estate updates follow us here: facebook.com/RivieraBayNeighborhood

Clay@ClayGloverRealtor.com

727-641-5754



Riviera Bay Boat Parade

A BIG thanks to all the boats that participated in our community boat parade this year - every one looked great! It's a wonderful tradition and is looked forward to by all our neighbors every year. Also, the luminaries looked beautiful lining the streets and canals. Kudos to all!



RBCA Elections

Tuesday, January 21

The RBCA Elections will be held on January 21st at Liberty Baptist Church. Candidates for the RBCA Board of Directors are as follows: Vicki Shuman – President, Brad Bess – Vice President, Stephen Goetz – Treasurer, Lori Intravichit – Secretary. Directors: Joe Baez, Marc Esposito, Matthew Gariboldi, Donna Hoover, Brandon Huskins, Toni Michalove and Sean Singh. Nominations for any position will be accepted as a write-in from the floor at the meeting prior to the vote.

St. Pete Events

Jan 18-19 - 23rd ANNUAL TREASURE ISLAND SPORT KITE COMPETITION AND FESTIVAL. Be amazed by the talented kite flyers performing to music at this event that includes dual-line and multi-line sport kite flying. Kite Ballet and Hot Tricks Competitions throughout each day. www.thunderbirdflorida.com/gallery.html

Jan 18 - ST PETE BEER & BACON FESTIVAL. Unlimited Sampling of 75+ Craft Beers & 20+ Craft Spirits & Cocktails (3-7pm) 50+ Bacon Dishes from 20+ Food Vendors. Live Music by The Black Honkeys and other bands. Games, Prizes & Tons of Fun. www.StPeteBeerandBacon.com/tickets.html

Feb 15 - STA VIKING FESTIVAL. Family fun & games. Enjoy watching & playing some traditional Viking games with activities for kids while learning about historic craftsmanship & professions from skilled artisans. See warrior arts via weapons demonstrations & live combat provided by Viking Merchant Caravan & The Swamp Vikings of Myrralag. Vendors tables & booths will be present. www.facebook.com/events/williams-park/sta-viking-festival-2020/519285865345156/

CONCRETE & ALL SURFACES!

If you need:

- Driveways, Sidewalks, Patio, Pool Deck, Utility Pad, we do it!
- A "Sea Walk" to replace your old sea wall cap so walking along the water is a pleasure.

United Surface Technology Group, Inc.

Call for FREE estimate

(727) 277 - 2764



United Surface Technology Group, Inc.
9079 4th Street N. Suite #300
St. Petersburg, Florida 33702

E-Mail: UnitedSurfaceTechnology@Gmail.com

A subsidiary of Southland Asset Management Company, Inc. CBC1255115

RBCA OFFICERS

PRESIDENT:

Vicki Shuman, 727-709-2123,
vickifour@yahoo.com

VICE-PRESIDENT:

Brad Bess - 727.324.3077,
bradbess@gmail.com

SECRETARY/MEMBERSHIP:

Lori Intravichit, 727-576-2903,
intravichit1@gmail.com

TREASURER:

Stephen Goetz, 919-579-9408,
Steveegoetz@gmail.com

DIRECTORS:

Toni Michalove - 727.492.5682,
reddogs02@gmail.com

Dave Hoover - 727.579.3466,
dave.rbca@yahoo.com

Joe Baez - 727.804.5631,
stpete66@aol.com

Christian Rodgers - 812.243.9568
christian.rodgers@ahss.org

CRIMEWATCH COORDINATOR:

Don Gilbert, 727.286.1869,
dtipgilbert@gmail.com,

RBCA NEWSLETTER EDITOR & ADVERTISING:

AM Media Group - 727-577-5500

RBCAnews@aol.com

MAYOR'S ACTION LINE -
893-7111

(For any dept & # in the city)

NON-EMERGENCY POLICE
893-7780

COMMUNITY POLICE SERVICE
SQUAD - 551-3182

For ongoing problems and response
within 24 hours

Mayor Rick Kriseman - 893-7201

Mayor@stpete.org /

District 2 Councilwoman

Brandi Gabbard - 893-7117

Brandi.Gabbard@stpete.org



JOIN RBCA FACEBOOK!

Make sure you **LIKE** us on
FaceBook!

You can see what your neighbors are
up to, post pictures, events, etc. You can find us
going to FaceBook and typing in:

Riviera Bay Civic Association,

Saint Petersburg, Flw

Site maintained by Debby Obst



Nextdoor.com

Your Neighborhood News Source

If you haven't already signed up on Next-
Door.com, please consider doing so. This site right now
is our best way to get late-breaking info out to you about
upcoming events, lost & found pets, suspicious criminal
activity, police reports, personal recommendations, etc.
You'll find it to be very informative.

RivieraBay.NextDoor.com

Liberty Baptist Church & Liberty Christian School



Dr. J. L. Lowe
Senior Pastor

"You are invited to join
our Church Family. We have
ministries for every age."

We are Located at:
**9401 4th St. N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33702**

Church Office: 727-576-1317
School Office: 727-576-9635

Check Us Out:

Bible Study - 9:15am • Morning Service - 10:30am • Wed. Night 6:15pm
www.libertybaptistchurch.net or www.libertychristiansch.com



@ Liberty Baptist Church and School



NEWSLETTER Volunteers needed

Wanted! Energetic, concerned
neighbors who want to be an
active part of their community. We are
looking for people to compile/gather
articles for our newsletter. It would
be nice if we could begin a monthly
newsletter. We are also looking for
people to spearhead new ideas and take
various "suggestions" into reality.

Contact: Vicki Shuman -
Vickifour@yahoo.com,
or any board member.

Membership Renewal Info

We are your neighborhood civic association and we work for you to maintain and improve your neighborhood. If you have not joined or renewed your membership in the Riviera Bay Civic Association, please take a moment to fill out this membership form and bring it to the next meeting or send your dues to the address below. Please show your support by sending in at least \$10.00. (A larger amount would be appreciated!) One association membership per household includes your spouse and children, to be purchased each calendar year.

I would like to join/rejoin the Riviera Bay Civic Association. Enclosed please find at least \$10.00 (more is always appreciated)
association dues for our family for January through December.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please make checks payable to: Riviera Bay Civic Association

Mail to: Riviera Bay Civic Association, PO Box 55883, St. Petersburg, FL 33732