

# V.M. YBOR

Neighborhood Association Monthly Newsletter



## January 4th Meeting Recap

*Minutes Provided by Vivienne Brown*

Even though we had some technical issues, we had a great first meeting of 2023 with 15 present neighbors. We would love to see more neighbors in person, we challenge you to invite 2 neighbors to attend our next monthly meeting, February 1st.

We have a balance of \$5352.56. One way to increase funds is to buy our merchandise! We have shirts and magnets available, please see Kim Headland. These funds allow us to print materials such a door hangers, newsletters and infographics. If you are able to volunteer to walk and hang doors, let us know! We hope to get our door hangers out ASAP.

*See you at our next general meeting at the J.C. Newman Cigar Company. February 1, 2023 6:30 pm*

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# ADVOCACY CORNER

Amina Spahic is our 2023 Advocacy Committee Trustee. This area in our newsletter will serve as a bulletin board for information about land use, zoning, code enforcement, housing, historic preservation,

transportation, green space, and other development-related issues for V.M. Ybor. She along with other board members will work proactively to address issues by identified by the general members.



## Neighbor of the Month:

We would love to feature a neighbor each month. To nominate a neighbor, email [info@vmybor.com](mailto:info@vmybor.com).

This nomination should explain why this neighbor is doing outstanding things in and around the neighborhood. In your email, please provide a picture, contact information for you or the neighbor and a paragraph summary on what you would like to share with the community.

## What's Happening in Ybor City in January

*For specific event details, see the events tab on our website.*

- Saturday Markets *every Saturday* 9am-3pm
- Jan 13th-15th - Vintage Roost Market
- Jan 16th - MLK Day Parade 12-3pm
- Jan 14th-15th - Tampa Bay Black Heritage Festival
- Jan 19th FDOT Host Community Conversations 5:30-7:30pm
- Jan. 21st - Gasparilla Children's Parade
- Jan 21st - V.M. Ybor Porch Party
- Jan 26th - FDOT Hosts Community Conversations 5:30-7:30pm
- Jan 28th - Gasparilla Pirate Fest
- Jan 31st - FDOT Hosts Community Conversations 5:30-7:30pm





## Porch Parties & Events

Rich and Kim Headland will be hosting the first porch party of 2023. This event will take place on January 21st at 6 pm. Get ready to walk the plank as it is Gasparilla themed!

We still have June, July, and August available to host a porch party. Email [info@vmybor.com](mailto:info@vmybor.com) to sign up!

## Guest Speaker: Dylan Breese & Charlotte

This month, we had the pleasure of hearing from Dylan Breese and special guest, Charlotte from The Ybor Misfits Microsanctuary.

The YMM is a small, all volunteer 501(c)3 animal rescue and microsanctuary in Historic Ybor City. This organization advocates for our local feral chicken and the occasional other lost/abandoned pets in our area. They are able to provide veterinary care for the injured and re-home once they have rehabilitated these birds.

Did you know: You can legally keep up to 5 hens on your property? That's egg-celent! However, be sure not to coop up any roosters.



## KIM HEADLAND'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year Neighbors,

It is with great excitement and enthusiasm that I join my fellow board members in kicking off 2023! A very big thank you to those that came before us, sharing their time and talents in serving our neighborhood. I look forward to a fantastic year building on past successes, strengthening our community, and advocating for a better V.M. Ybor.

We have a lot of great things planned for 2023 – but none of it is possible without you! We need your input, collaboration, and support. Please consider joining your neighbors at an upcoming General Meeting, meeting new friends at a porch party, or helping to make our streets look a little better on a neighborhood clean-up. We look forward to seeing you soon!