Redington Beach Reporter





Moon Park

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REDINGTON BEACH RESIDENTS IMPORTANT

When the Florida Legislature passed the medical marijuana bill it allowed for establishing dispensaries. There was a provision in the bill to allow municipalities to opt out of having dispensaries in their jurisdiction. Because it is a zoning matter, our Redington Beach Charter dictates that a referendum be held. It is the very last question on a very lengthy ballot, and requires 66% of the votes cast to pass.

The way the ballot question reads, is if you **DON'T** want to see medical marijuana dispensaries in Redington Beach, you would vote **YES**. A **NO** vote means there may be **A POSSIBILITY** of a dispensary being located in Redington Beach.

As it is a lengthy ballot, I encourage all Redington Beach voters to please continue to the last question and cast your vote in this important matter.

Wishing all of our residents a pleasant autumn!

Nick Simons

Redington Beach Town Hall, 105 164th Ave, Redington Beach, FL 33708
TOWN HALL HOURS: Monday to Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

http://www.townofredingtonbeach.com/

Phone: 727-391-3875 Fax: 727-397-6911

Ask the Town Clerk...



We are going digital!

If you would like to receive this quarterly newsletter by email, please send your name, address and email to: deputyclerk@townofredingtonbeach.com.

Just a friendly reminder:

Lock your car doors at night and don't leave

valuables inside them.



SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION.

PLEASE STOP FOR SCHOOL BUSES WHEN LIGHTS ARE FLASHING.



• I'd love to have a bonfire on the beach. Do I need permission from the Town?

Bonfires are for **residents only** and are allowed on the beach from November 1st—April 30th.

Bonfire permits can be obtained at Town Hall or on our website,

www.townofredingtonbeach.com. Bonfires are held on the beach at Beach Park, unless prior approval has been made by the Fire Chief and the Town to hold it in another location.







Reminders about trash collection from Waste Connections:

- 1. Please bundle yard waste. The bundles should be no longer than 4 feet, and weigh a maximum of 50 lbs. Please limit number of bundles at curbside to no more than 6.
- 2. If you have trees and bushes cut down by a landscaping company, that company is responsible for the removal of the debris. Our Town's trash collection service will not pick up large piles of brush and debris.
- 3. Tuesday and Friday are trash collection days. Wednesday is recycling collection day.
- 4. If you are a new resident, you must call Waste Connections at 727-572-6800 to establish an account. Trash collection is not charged through your monthly utility bill.

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2018 Mobile Collection Events*				
Sep. 8	St. Petersburg College Allstate Ce	nter	3200 34 th St. S.	
Sep. 15	Largo High School	ition Ige	410 Missouri Ave. N.	
	Seminole High School Loca Char		8401 131st St. N.	
Nov. 10	Gulfport Neighborhood Center Cha	a _{te}	1617 49 th St. S.	

*All events are on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Collections may be delayed or canceled due to severe weather.

Per vehicle quantity limits apply; check website for residential guidelines.



29582 U.S. 19 N.

(Located behind the North County Gov't Center, south of Curlew Rd.)

Sep. 22 Oct. 27 Nov. 17 Dec. 15



YES What to bring

ELECTRONICS: Cell phones, computer towers/CPUs, drives (e.g. hard drives, CD drives), laptops, monitors, rechargeable batteries (remove from device, place device in garbage), smart phones, tablets, televisions (must be whole).

CHEMICALS: Automotive fluids, batteries (household or vehicle), cleaners, cooking oil, fertilizers, fluorescent bulbs and other mercury-containing devices, fuels (e.g. gasoline, kerosene), fungicides, herbicides, insecticides, motor oil, paint (latex or oil), paint remover, paint thinner, pesticides, pool chemicals, rechargeable batteries (including vehicle), smoke detectors, solvents, wood preservatives.



What NOT to bring

Find out how to get rid of these items in the **A to Z Guide** at www.pinellascounty.org/recycle.

A/C units, alkaline batteries, appliances, biological/infectious waste, camcorders, CD players, copiers, digital cameras, DVD players, empty paint cans, explosives, fax machines, fire extinguishers, garbage, gas cylinders larger than one pound (e.g. propane tanks), GPS units, marine depth finders, medicine, microwave ovens, pagers, portable players, printers, printer/toner cartridges, radioactive waste, radios, stereo equipment, telephones, tires, VCRs, video game players.



The Household Electronics and Chemical Collection Center (HEC₃) is FREE for residents.

Businesses, including nonprofits and religious organizations, haulers, hobbyists, property managers and salvagers, may bring waste to the HEC₃ only on the 12 EnviroBusiness Days, which are scheduled on the second Wednesday of each month. Businesses pay the contractor directly at the county's contracted rate for disposal. For more information on business waste disposal, visit www.pinellascounty.org/bizwaste.

For more information contact Pinellas County Solid Waste at (727) 464-7500, or visit www.pinellascounty.org/solidwaste.



FOR EVERYBODY'S SAFETY, PARTICIPANTS MUST BE IN A VEHICLE.

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REDINGTON BEACHES & INDIAN SHORES LIGHTED HOLIDAY BOAT PARADE

Sunday, December 16, 2018 (Assemble at 5:45 pm)

	•	GISTRATION CONTRACTOR
Boat Name:		FL Registration #:
Boat Length:	Beam:	Draft (Max 5'):
Boat Make:	Power:	Sail:
Owner's Name:		
Address:		
Home Phone # :	Busines	s or Cell #:
Redington Shores, and all claims, lia participation in the Owner's Signature: The Cap	Indian Shores and the Redington bility or damages, including the Redington Beaches/Indian Shore. Datain's meeting is on December	s the Town of Redington Beach, North Redington Beach, Beaches/Indian Shores Boat Parade Committee against any e cost of litigation and attorney's fees, arising from the s Boat Parade and all related activities. Driver's License #: 13, 2018, at 7:00 pm at the North Redington Beach Public
Participa receipt.	ants will be reimbursed for gener	nue, North Redington Beach, Florida. ator rental up to a maximum of \$25.00 with proof of rental om the Town Hall at North Redington Beach, 190 173 rd Ave
	dezvous for the parade is at 5:45 p of Madeira Beach Recreation Ce	om on December 16 th north of the Welch Causeway Bridge onter.
Town of		oring organizations: Town of Redington Beach (391-3875), 848), Town of Redington Shores (397-5538), and Town of
Please mail or fax	the completed applications to:	Town of Redington Beach 105 164 th Ave. Redington Beach, FL 33708 FAX NUMBER: 397-6911



REDINGTON BEACHES & INDIAN SHORES HOLIDAY BOAT PARADE



There is nothing better than a parade during the holiday season. Wait!...maybe there is. It's a boat parade!

You can't help but get into the spirit of the season with lights gleaming off the cool ripples in the water and the holiday sounds coming from the lavishly decorated vessels.

The truth of the matter is we have given you fair notice to plan ahead...no excuses this year.... spend an evening with the family and friends. Get into the spirit only the way a true boater can, in friendly competition for top prizes awarded after the parade that evening at Caddy's Pub in Indian Shores.

Residents with Redington Beach waterfront homes host boat parade parties but if you haven't received an invitation, not to worry - there are plenty of prime viewing spots on the island.

NEW FOR 2018...LIGHTED DOCK COMPETITION

REDINGTON BEACHES & INDIAN SHORES LIGHTED DOCK COMETITION

Judging Date TBA

For residential docks located in Redington Beach, North Redington Beach, Redington Shores and Indian Shores, this is an opportunity to show not only jolly holiday spirit, but creativity and individuality. Its not always about the most lights or the biggest house. Unique and passionate participation is appreciated.

Dock Competition Format:

- Prizes and Bragging Rights available for Top 3 docks in each Town.
- Judged by the parade organizers, participating boaters and a collection of non-partial judges on the water.
- Don't be intimidated, creativity always beats extravagance... but more lights never hurt anybody!
- Judging of decorations and lighting limited to the dock itself; illuminated trees, homes and any other structure not over water shall not be factored into the competition.
- Dock must be registered, receive a number and clearly display that number to be eligible

/-	DOCK REGISTRATION	
Owner's Name:		
Address:		
Home or Cell # :	Business or Cell #:	
Email Address:		
Completed forms can be delivered in person, by mail or fax to:		

Town of Redington Beach 105 164th Ave., Redington Beach, FL 33708 FAX NUMBER: 397-6911

REDINGTON BEACH PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Redington Property Owners Association (RBPOA) is your local volunteer organization whose goal is "Uniting Redington Beach Residents through communications and events".

Our Board members are local residents who have their hearts in Redington Beach and offer their time and talents to provide our community with year round family events. Some activities are beach barbecue parties, Vendor Appreciation* night to show our appreciation to vendors who support our Scholarship Program, Easter egg hunt, Holiday Park Lighting and other activities to allow neighbors to meet neighbors.

- We are holding our **Wine & Food Gala** on **November 3rd**. This is our one and only fundraiser and proceeds support our High School Scholarship Program.
- Our Holiday Tree Lighting event takes place on December 1st at 4:45pm. Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive on the Madeira Beach Fire Truck.
- We are having Vendor Appreciation nights in October and December. Stay tuned for dates and locations and come join us!
- We have an active Facebook page, so if you're a Facebook user Like us on Facebook

SANTA'S ANGELS



SANTA'S ANGELS WHERE YOU MAKE THE DIFFERENCE! ROCKTOBERFEST!!

Saturday, October 13, 2018 6-10 PM

You may come as you are – or wear your Halloween costume to our ROCKTOBERFEST featuring a live band, unlimited craft beer and wine, Spooky cocktail drinks, food from local restaurants, German Oktoberfest brats, Silent and Live Auctions, Scary Party Games, Ghostly photo booth and Costume Contest. You may also get your picture taken in the Black Hearse!

Once again we are offering a SILENT AUCTION TRIP TO NAPA VALLEY!

We will be dancing to the Best of the 70's music, Disco, Rock, and The Monster Mash! Limited VIP tickets are available on line only – VIP EVENTBRITE.COM.

VIP: Early 5 PM entry, reserved seating, Exclusive Beer, Wine and Food. Group VIP access also available.

Regular tickets are \$30 each or \$25 each with new unwrapped toy(s) at EVENTBRITE.COM, Madeira Beach Hardware, Bronze Lady Madeira Beach, Sign of the Dolphin Seminole, Citgo Gas Mart in N. Redington Beach, or Wally Hawthorne will hand deliver to your door: 727 710-6327, and of course, at the gate.

Donors, Sponsors and Volunteers are still needed!

Please call Eve O'Donnell (727 631-1737), Mike Brown (727 397-1957), or Wally Hawthorne (727 710-6327).

To Adopt A Family, or shop, or wrap, or deliver, please call Lynne Hawthorne (727 251-7501). We will again have an adopting table at R.B.P.O.A.'s Tree Lighting in the Park in December. Thanks again go to our generous friends at R.B.P.O.A.!

Reminder: Amazon.com has a charity arm: www.smile.amazon.com. The first time you go to this site, you will be directed to select your favorite charity. Select: "Divine Charities" d. b. a. Santa's Angels, (SANTA'S ANGELS' legal name).

SANTA'S ANGELS thanks all dedicated Angels for their generous support of this very worthy mission!

Crosswalks and Your Safety

The Town of Redington Beach has pedestrian crosswalks for your safety and convenience.

The crosswalks were specifically located to provide a safety island when crossing Gulf Boulevard.

Where there are no traffic lights at the intersection of the side streets and Gulf Boulevard, those areas are very dangerous to cross. UTILIZE THE CROSSWALKS!

As you enter the crosswalk, press the button to activate the high intensity flashing lights, **stop** and look for vehicles. Florida law requires vehicles to stop for pedestrians in a crosswalk.

Make sure the vehicles are stopping before you cross. Make eye contact with the driver if possible. Watch to make sure vehicles in each traffic lane are stopping. **Never assume the vehicles are going to stop.**

After reaching the median, or safety island, use the same procedure as above to cross the remaining two lanes. Make sure vehicles see you and are stopping in each lane.

Thank the motorist for stopping with a friendly wave.

You, the pedestrian, can make crossing Gulf Boulevard safe by observing these guidelines.

The Town of Redington Beach will continue to work with the Florida Department of Transportation to identify and establish other safety measures for crossing Gulf Boulevard.





November 6, 2018 General Election Information

Request a mail ballot: MailBallot@VotePinellas.com or call (727) 464-VOTE(8683)

Deadline to request a ballot to be mailed: 5:00 p.m., October 31, 2018

Early Voting: Monday, October 22 – Sunday, November 4

Daily: 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Redington Beach has one referendum question on this year's ballot:

Amending the Zoning Code to Prohibit Medical Marijuana Facilities

Shall the Town's zoning code be amended to define medical marijuana facility and prohibit the operation of medical marijuana facilities within the Town?





CRS COMMUNTY RATING SYSTEM

The CRS program determines whether or not community residents receive a discount on their flood insurance rates. Currently all residents in Redington Beach receive a fifteen (15%) percent discount due to the various activities and documentation that your Town Staff and Public Works Team perform on a daily basis. Our goal is to get our residents an improved rating, which will result in a twenty (20%) percent discount. In the months ahead we will strive to continue upgrading the program's objectives so that we can achieve this greater discount for our residents. This is just another way your Town employees are working for the residents of Redington Beach.

KNOW YOUR FLOOD HAZARD AND WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT

You may be flooded one day. The streets of Redington Beach were flooded during Tropical Storms Colin and Hermine in 2016 and narrowly missed being inundated with tidal waters caused by the storm surge from Hurricane Irma. **All properties in Redington Beach are in a Special Flood Hazard Area.**

Here are some things you can do to protect your family and property from flooding:

- Contact your property insurance agent to purchase a flood insurance policy. Most homeowners insurance policies do not cover damage caused by water flooding. Remember, there is a 30-day waiting period before a flood insurance policy takes effect, so do not wait until a storm threatens before you purchase flood insurance.
- Do not walk or drive through flood waters. Currents are deceptive six inches of moving water can knock you off your feet. Do not drive around barriers, as the road or bridge may be washed out.
- Talk to us about protecting your home. There are ways to modify your building to minimize flood damage. Retrofitting non-compliant buildings is a recommended approach to flooding because the property itself remains subject to flooding while the building is modified to prevent or minimize flooding of habitable space. Several approaches to retrofitting are:
- * Elevation of the structure above flood protection levels
- Construction of barriers (floodwalls, berms)
- Dry flood-proofing (water tight floor and wall systems)
- * Wet flood-proofing (construction that allows the entry and passage of flood water and also removing or relocating items of value to higher elevation levels)
- The Town enforces the flood regulations to minimize the potential of flood losses. The Town's Building Department reviews all permits for compliance with the flood regulations. Call the Building Department at 727-202-6825 before you build on, alter, regrade or fill on your property. These regulations are designed to protect your property from flood damage and to make sure you don't cause a water problem for your neighbors.
- Town Public Works staff patrol the streets after rain events to make sure the storm water inlets and pipes are clear of debris, sediments and pollutants. Removal of debris and pollutants from the storm water system keeps them from discharging to the Bay and helps reduce street flooding. The Town also makes sure that the beaches and parks are patrolled to remove litter. These efforts help keep the Bay and the Gulf clean.

NPDES: NATIONAL POLLUTION DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

Do you want your yard to be a Florida Yard?

It is not about turf grass anymore!!! Install native plants to Floridify your yard and help reduce pollution runoff by following a few key guidelines.

1. Use Turf Grass Only Where Needed for Pets or Play Areas

- Use Florida friendly trees, shrubs and groundcovers to reduce turf grass in your yard.
- * Match the right plant to the right place in your yard. Use salt tolerant shrubs and trees.
- * Expand your landscape beds and reduce the time spent mowing your yard.

2. Use Water Wisely

- Water when the leaves of your plants are starting to curl.
- Install a rain gauge on your irrigations system.
- * Check your sprinklers monthly to make sure that the heads aren't broken and that the water is spraying on your lawn and not the street.
- * When you irrigate, make sure there is at least 1/2 to 3/4 inches of water on the lawn so that turf grass and plants put down deep roots.

3. Reduce or Eliminate Fertilizers

- Pinellas County bans the use of fertilizer for turf grass in ALL areas of the county between June
 1 and September 30.
- * When you fertilize your lawn, use a fertilizer with slow-release nitrogen and no phosphorous.
- Clean up fertilizer that lands on sidewalks, driveways or roadways. Blow it back on to your yard.
- * Remember to keep fertilizer at least 10 feet away from surface water and the edge of a seawall.

4. Reduce or Eliminate Pesticides

- * The No. 1 rule for pest control is to know what insects are infiltrating your territory before you start applying pesticides.
- * Many insects in Florida are helpful, such as ladybugs and spiders.
- * There are a variety of non-toxic horticultural soaps and sprays that keep harmful plant insects under control without using poison.

Check out the following web site for more information, including Florida Friendly Products and Landscape Services: http://befloridian.org/floridifying/

If you would like to participate in the ADOPT -A-STREET Program, gloves and trash bags will be provided, and litter drop-off locations will be assigned. Fill out the form below and return to Town Hall.			
	"ADOPT-A-STREET" Registration Form		
Volunteer's Name:			
Address:			
Home Phone:			
Cell Phone:			
E-mail Address:			
	HELP KEEP YOUR COMMUNITY BEAUTIFUL!		

RED TIDE CLEAN UP

The Town would like to express their gratitude and appreciation to Kelli Hammer Levy, Pinellas County environmental management director, together with DRC Emergency Services for their efforts in cleaning up our beaches during the Red Tide crisis. County officials responded by hiring a contractor to send out boats to intercept the dead fish before they could reach the shore, and to deploy workers with rakes and big machines to quickly clean up anything that made it past the boats.

As of this writing, they have dispatched nearly 700 tons of dead fish to the county's solid waste site to either be incinerated or buried in the landfill. Around a dozen times each day, dead fish are loaded into bins that then get hauled to the county's solid waste disposal plant. If they're taken from the water, they go into the county's waste-to-energy incinerator. If they're scooped from the sand, they are put into the landfill, because sand can't go into the incinerator. Any dolphins, manatees or sea turtles are sent to the state's Marine Mammal Pathology Laboratory near the Eckerd College campus for a necropsy so biologists can verify that Red Tide was the cause of death.

The Red Tide is still present in the Gulf, but current wind conditions are keeping it off-shore. The County is diligently monitoring the situation, and, should conditions start to deteriorate, Kelli and her staff will ramp back up.









Contribution Opportunities

Benches: Would you like to donate a bench to help beautify the Town? Benches are available to be purchased at the Town's cost. A plaque acknowledging your donation will be added to the bench. Please contact Town Hall if you are interested in purchasing a bench.

Bricks: Have you seen the engraved bricks in Friendship Park at the Twin Towers Memorial? These special pavers can memorialize a birthday, anniversary, or memory of a loved one and cost just \$50. Order forms are available at Town Hall.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to monetary contributions, there are many ways you can volunteer your time to help your local community.

- ♦ Join the Redington Beach Property Owners Association—dues are only \$25 per year and help fund events that develop and promote Redington Beach.
- When vacancies are announced, apply for a position on a Board—the Planning Board, the Parks and Recreation Board and the Board of Adjustment—meetings are usually held monthly.
- Santa's Angels is a non-profit organization based in Redington Beach which provides Christmas presents for disadvantaged children through fundraising events.
 Visit santasangels.org for more information.

WELCOME TO REDINGTON BEACH!

Allow us to introduce the newest member of the Town staff, **Bill Wollman**. Bill recently joined the Public Works department. His duties include extracting undesirable vegetation and litter removal from the Town's parks and islands, and helping the Public Works staff with special projects. If you see Bill around Town, be sure to say hello!

BOARD UPDATES



Parks and Recreation Board

The Parks and Recreation Board meets monthly to discuss issues and projects in our Parks and other Town-owned areas. The Park Board develops and maintains these areas for residents to enjoy, and at the same time, protects and preserves the environment for future generations.

Planning Board

The Planning Board reviews and updates the Town's Comprehensive Plan, which charts the evolution of the Town's future growth, required services and population needs.

Presently, the Board is overseeing the implementation of the undergrounding of utilities along Gulf Blvd., as well as a beautification project, funded through a grant from the FDOT.

Board of Commissioners

The new fiscal year began on October 1st. The Commission passed the Final Budget and is pleased to note that the Town is in sound financial shape.

To view agendas and meeting minutes, visit our website and click the "Government" tab, then "Agendas and Minutes."



TOWN HALL CLOSURES:

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12 VETERAN'S DAY
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22 THANKSGIVING
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23 DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE HOLIDAY
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

REMINDER:

The Board of Commissioners meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 6:30pm.

The deadlines for submitting Variance applications are:

October 15 for the November 15 Board of Adjustment hearing November 19 for the December 20 Board of Adjustment hearing December 17 for the January 17 Board of Adjustment hearing

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 13 SANTA'S ANGELS: ROCKTOBERFEST

OCTOBER 19 AND 20 TOWN-WIDE GARAGE SALES
NOVEMBER 3 RBPOA WINE AND FOOD GALA

DECEMBER 1 PARK LIGHTING AND VISIT FROM SANTA

DECEMBER 16 HOLIDAY BOAT PARADE





Police: Pinellas County Sheriff

Non Emergency......727-582-6200

Police & Fire EMERGENCY ONLY: 911

 Electric:
 Duke Energy
 (800) 282-4067

 Water/Sewer:
 Pinellas County Utilities
 (727) 464-4000

 Cable:
 Spectrum
 (727) 329-5020

 Trash:
 Waste Connections
 (727) 572-6800

 Gas:
 Clearwater Gas:
 (727) 562-4980

E-Mail Addresses

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Building Department Town of Redington Beach

Florida Municipal Services Inc. 18001 Gulf Blvd, Redington Shores, FL 33708 727-202-6825 (Office) 727-258-4986 (Fax)

Website: http://fmsbuildingdepartment.com/