



# SEA ISLE PARK

# SIPNA News

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## GENERAL MEETING

**Tuesday, November 10, 2009 - 7:00pm Sea Isle School Cafe**

**Topics: A SURPRISE!!!**

### NEED HELP? CALL SIPNA

Dear SIPNA Neighbors,

I've lived in this neighborhood for over 16 years, seldom giving little thought to what SIPNA was all about. I paid dues a time or two but never really thought about what the organization did, who they were, and whether or not I would need SIPNA's help. However, recently I had the unfortunate experience of needing their support concerning a "problem property." I tried, to no avail, to address the problem in a quiet and neighborly way. After some time with no luck, I realized I needed help and emailed SIPNA, asking for advice and I received more than I ever imagined. I was never chastised for not having been a regular dues payer. Board members went to work on my unfortunate situation and resolved it by seeking legal counsel, involving City Code Ordinance and the MPD. As many of you know, we live in a great Memphis neighborhood. While most of us take pride in our homes and tend them with loving care, there are folks who can't or won't attend to their property, ignoring city ordinances and treating their neighbors with an unwarranted lack of respect.

SIPNA cares about these cases and works tirelessly to keep our neighborhood a safe and lovely place to live. After all, these issues affect all of us and impact our property values. If you haven't paid your dues, consider it today: Twenty dollars is pocket change in relation to what SIPNA can do for you! Respectfully, **Kim Gardner**

## PLEASE JOIN SIPNA NOW!

### Membership Application & Dues Form for SIPNA

*Annual Dues are \$20.00 per Household - \$25.00 for Businesses.*

Please Make Checks  
Payable To: **SIPNA**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please Send To:  
**SIPNA**  
**P.O. Box 171301**  
**Memphis, TN 38187-1301**

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # Home \_\_\_\_\_ work or cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership status      Renewal \_\_\_\_\_      New \_\_\_\_\_

Would you serve on a committee?    Yes \_\_\_\_\_      No \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank You!*



\*Remember! Your \$20/\$25 helps to support SIPNA and to keep our neighborhood one of the most sought after in Memphis.



## NEW BOARD MEMBER NOMINATIONS

The SIPNA Nominating Committee has recommended the following individuals to be the future board members for the upcoming election on November 10, 2009, at our general meeting. Anyone who wants to run for any of these positions is encouraged to do so and must be a member in good standing, current on their dues and, of course, live within the SIPNA boundaries. Nominations will be taken from the floor.

President	-	<b>Philip Laster</b>	District Rep 67-1	-	<b>Doug Southall</b>
V-P Membership	-	<b>Shane Davis</b>	District Rep 67-2	-	<b>Michelle Sneed</b>
V-P Programs	-	<b>Alan Bolton</b>	District Rep 67-2	-	<b>Daniel Price</b>
Secretary	-	<b>Sharon Trower</b>	District Rep 67-2	-	<b>Ralph Morgan</b>
Treasurer	-	<b>Paul Trower</b>	District Rep 67-3	-	<b>David /Debbie Newsom</b>
District Rep 67-1	-	<b>Josh Johnston</b>	District Rep 67-3	-	<b>Mary Gray</b>
District Rep 67-1	-	<b>Annie Kent</b>	District Rep 67-3	-	<b>Randy Hendon</b>



### **WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS!**

SIPNA welcomes all of our new neighbors to what we consider to be one of the most desirable neighborhoods in the city of Memphis. Please join us Tuesday, November 8, at 7:00pm in the Sea Isle Cafeteria to meet some of your new neighbors.

Please call **Mrs. Erin Walter**, our hospitality chairperson, at 683-3326 for more detailed info and please send your \$20 check to SIPNA, PO Box 171301, Memphis, Tn 38187. Welcome and thank you for making our area your home.

***Neighborhood Enhancement***

**CURB APPEAL.** Homes in top notch neighborhoods have the grass along the curbs neatly trimmed. Take a look at yours. Is long, unkempt grass straggling over the curb into the street in front of your house?  
Trim up! Take pride and do your part to help keep our neighborhood beautiful!

### **SIPNA FEST: WHAT A TIME FOR ALL!**

“While the spirit of neighborliness was important on the frontier because neighbors were so few, it is even more important now because our neighbors are so many.” Spoken by **Lady Bird Johnson** so many years ago, these words rang true on September 27, the date of our first Sea Isle Neighborhood Fest. This contagious spirit of neighborliness was exhibited by the large crowd in attendance on a beautiful Sunday afternoon. From outside the McWherter Center the band Three Flights Up provided lively music while the Memphis Police and Fire Departments spread good will along with helpful advice for a safer and stronger community. **Cherokee Baptist Church** served free hot dogs, lemonade and water; entertained the youngsters with a delightful puppet show; assisted **Jenny Weatherall** with face painting; and provided tables and chairs. **Christ The King Lutheran Church** manned the popular cake walk and **Park Ave. Church of Christ** delighted us with free snow cones, cotton candy and games. These were just a few of the many participants to whom we owe gratitude.

SIPNA’s fall festival could not have been a success without the leadership of our chairperson, **Alan Bolton**, and his cast of volunteers. Our goal is to host a bigger and better festival each year; however, without the spirit of neighborliness this task will be difficult. Plan to celebrate with us by being an active SIPNA neighbor!



**PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

Dear Neighbors:

Election season has come and gone here in our fair city, but not in our neighborhood. SIPNA will be meeting Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2009, to elect officers for a two year term. I am pleased to report that our committee has nominated a full slate of officers to shoulder the responsibilities of neighborhood improvement. Please come out and show your support for SIPNA.

It has been a privilege to serve as President of SIPNA. My fellow officers have inspired me with their dedication and tenacity. I have met so many people who are deeply committed to neighborhood strength and livability and have learned so much from every problem I have helped to solve.

SIPNA is a strong neighborhood association. We have a city-wide reputation for being tough on developers, code violations, and crime. All that is true, but the lines in defense of the quality of our neighborhood are actually quite thin. A few people are shouldering a disproportionate burden. I hope next year is a turning point for SIPNA and that more of you will step up to volunteer just a few hours of your time to protect our Sea Isle Neighborhood. Start by joining SIPNA now or by renewing you membership for 2010.

One thing I've learned: small efforts make a big difference! Regards, **Janet W. Southall**

**2009 & 2010 MEETING DATES**

November 10, 2009	<b>General Meeting:</b> Sea Isle School Cafeteria @ 7pm
December 8, 2009	<b>Board Meeting:</b> The Sports Pub at 5012 Park in Eastgate @ 7pm
January 12, 2010	<b>Board Meeting:</b> Philip Laster's home, 1336 Estate Dr. @ 7pm

**SIPNA'S CRIME CHAIRMAN**

\*Residents who are signed up for the SIPNA Crime Alerts, please advise us when you cancel or change your email address. We're receiving many emails returned due to fatal delivery errors.

[sipnacrime@gmail.com](mailto:sipnacrime@gmail.com)

\*To stay informed concerning crime in the SIPNA area, join Sipnacrime Watch via email to

[sipnacrime@gmail.com](mailto:sipnacrime@gmail.com) Please make sure you send your name, address, phone number and, of course, your email address so that we can add you to our notification list. Thank you! **Tim Cook**, Chairman



**PARK COMMITTEE REPORT**

It's tree-planting time! We will be planting "in memory of" and "in honor of" trees Thursday, November 19, with rain dates of Friday, November 20 or Sunday, November 22. If you are interested in having a tree planted to honor a loved one, please call **Molly Laster** at 682-0999. We have 9 trees so far in addition to trees the city donated; call today!

Thank you to **Richard Beckwith**, the horticulturist for the City of Memphis, who gave us 4 flats of pansies! We put 2 flats in the bed in front of the McWherter Center and 2 flats in the flowerbed by the playground.

Thank you to Savannah and her family for "adopting" a couple of trees to water! Savannah and her family came on board after the last newsletter and volunteered to water trees.

Thank You!  
**Molly Laster**, SIPNA Parks Chairperson

**SIPNA DOOR PRIZE DONORS**

Door prizes for our upcoming General Meeting on November 10, 2009, have been donated by:

- \***Yorkshire Liquors** - two bottles of Sparkling Wine
- \***Billy Hardwick Allstar Lanes** - three \$15 Gift Cards
- \***Perkins Restaurant & Bakery** - \$10 Gift Card

SIPNA thanks these donors and encourages you to please patronize their businesses!

*One generation plants the trees;  
another gets the shade. - Chinese Proverb*

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As we approach Thanksgiving we are reminded of the following reflection by Teddy Roosevelt. “Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well from the lips, and shows itself in deeds.”

**The Sea Isle Park Neighborhood Association  
Wishes All of Our Neighbors a**

