

SOUTHEAST SEMINOLE HEIGHTS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Neighborhood News

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Our Neighborhood Boundaries

Hillsborough Ave South
to Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd
& I-275 East to 15th St



Homes for the Holidays

1312

2008
HISTORIC
HOME & GARDEN
TOUR

SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 7, 2008
1:00 PM TO 5:30 PM

General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, November 18 • 7pm
KATHRYN MALONE CENTER AT GIDDENS PARK

■ Corner 12st Street and Giddens Avenue ■

Annual "Eatin' Meetin"

Back By Popular Demand! Join us at 6:30pm
to enjoy a BBQ Dinner with us during the meeting,
which will be a wrap-up of the past year's events.

Door prizes and silent auction, too!

Important Numbers

TPD Non-Emergency	231-6130
TPD Dist 1 (W of Nebraska)	354-6600
TPD Dist 2 (E of Nebraska)	931-6500
TPD Dist 3.....	276-3700
QUAD Squad	276-3443 or 3444
(Investigates street level drugs)	
Police Chief Stephen Hogue	276-3200
City Council	274-8131
Mayor Pam Iorio.....	274-8251
Animal Services.....	744-5660
Code Enforcement.....	274-5545
City Clerk	274-8396
Garbage Pick-Up	348-1146

Committees

Membership/Welcome Neighbor

Rue MacKenzie.....	237-4944
Jerry Beeman.....	385-6508
Betty Dowd.....	996-2964
Alexis Donahoe.....	468-8883

Neighborhood Watch

Bill Metler, Chair	731-4246
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Vehicle Patrol

Sherry Simons.....	789-9849
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Newsletter

Maria Garcia-Gutierrez, Editor.....	727-9567
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Paint Your Heart Out - Tampa

Frank Roder.....	238-1772
John Buhl.....	234-2164

Home Tour

Stan Lasater.....	381-5855
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Social

OPEN	
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Home Improvement Team (HIT)

Maria Garcia-Gutierrez.....	727-9567
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B'GoSH - Business Guild of Seminole Heights

Rich Guagliardo, Rep.	244-7424
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Land Beautification/Greenways

Diane Jenkins.....	237-0287
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VOZO - Variance, Overlay, Zoning Oversight

Beverly Morrow	237-2213
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Plant Exchange

Randi Raaen.....	238-7143
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From the President Sherry Simons

This supplemental issue is the last newsletter of 2008. So in advance ... Happy Thanksgiving!, Merry Christmas, Chanukah, Kwanza, Holidays, and Happy New Year!

The end of the year is near and with the November Porch Party, the Eat-in Meetin', Home Tour and Holiday Social, it is an extremely busy time for the Association. You will be hearing a massive call for volunteers for these events and we hope lots of you will answer the call. The dates of these events are listed in this newsletter, at the Kiosk and on the web site, www.SESHCA.com. A wide variety of volunteers are needed. There is something for everyone!

Volunteers for the Home Tour include Bike Nannies, ticket sellers, drivers, sign setters, traffic, cooler and water workers, and greeters. For the Holiday Social we will need people to pick up, set up, and break down. Time required for these jobs range from about two hours up. The holidays are a fun time of year and working on these events is a great time to be involved. You not only have the opportunity to make a difference in your neighborhood, but you have a fun time doing it!

Your Association works hard for you all year long, representing you at City Council working with Code Enforcement and TPD, assisting with the issues which you bring to us from lost dogs to drug dealing neighbors. The end of the year is jam-packed and like everyone, the Association's Board and other active members have busy schedules due to family commitments and the holidays. The more people who volunteer, the easier it will be on everyone, so please, if you have some time come help us and VOLUNTEER!

Sherry

SOUTHEAST SEMINOLE HEIGHTS
CIVIC ASSOCIATION

cordially invites you to celebrate the holidays
 at our annual
**Membership
 Holiday Social**

on Saturday, December 13, 2008
 at 7 o'clock in the evening
 926 East McBerry

~ Food & Libations ~
 Free to Members & 1 Guest

The View from Down Here

by Eddie Martin
Canine SESH Resident



Woo Hoo, oh, I mean Arf Arf! The holiday season is just around the corner! I can't wait, because I love seeing all the brightly lit homes on my evening strolls through the neighborhood. Seems like the holidays bring out the best in everyone, even me. I find myself not chasing my feline "friends" as much, let's just say I'm giving them the holidays "off". What can I say, a month or two of being on my best behavior ain't such a sacrifice.

Speaking of best behavior, did you know the 2008 Holiday Home and Garden Tour is on Sunday, December 7th from 1pm to 5:30pm? There will be eight homes in our Neighborhood featured on the Tour. Even if you don't plan to attend the tour (which I HIGHLY recommend you do!) please keep in mind that hundreds of people from all over Tampa will be coming to visit our neighborhood. And just like you would tidy up your house before guests arrive, be sure to do your part in making our neighborhood look it's best -- like making sure your lawn is mowed, landscaping trimmed up, and maybe even some pretty holiday decorations, too! Also, remember the with the increased flow of guests driving, walking and biking from house to house, traffic may become a real issue, especially if there are too many cars parked along the street, so why not try and park your cars in your driveways, even if it's just for the day.

I'll probably be out enjoying the "buzz" of people that day, so if you see me, be sure to give me a 'shout-out' -- as you know I consider myself the "doggie mayor of Southeast Seminole Heights".

Holiday Home and Garden Tour Sunday, December 7, 1-5:30pm

This year, Southeast Seminole Heights, NUSA's Neighborhood of the year 2003, will be hosting the Holiday Home and Garden Tour Sunday, December 7th from 1-5:30pm. Our theme "Going Green for the Holiday's." will offer guests the opportunity to tour beautifully decorated 1920's bungalows. Bring your Bikes and/or walking shoes and enjoy a day of beautiful homes and Seminole Heights Hospitality. (limited number of bikes available)

- Tour 8 Holiday themed homes and gardens
- 1 Historic Church
- Decorator's Show Home exterior decorated by Winchell Interiors, inc.
- Taste of Seminole Heights featuring sample fares from Local Restaurants
- Transportation provided by Green Go's Tampa (www.greengostampa.com)

Plan a day to enjoy the sounds, scents and sights of Christmas in one of Tampa's most beautiful Historic Neighborhoods. Tickets can be purchased the day of the event for \$10 at the Seminole Heights Baptist Church (corner of Hillsborough and Nebraska Avenues).

For this year's Holiday Home Tour we will be offering guest bikes to use on the tour. Therefore, we are asking to use your bike for the day. Guests who wish to 'rent' a bike will leave their drivers license at the bike lot and be assigned a bike. At each home, we will have a roped off bike area that will be supervised. Each rider will receive a numbered tag that will match their loaned bike. If you have bikes you would be willing to loan, please contact me at the number listed below.

Additionally, we are in need of volunteers to help the day of the event. We will be needing assistance with ticket sales, bike guards, and more! If you would like to offer to help, please email me asap, stantampa@aol.com.

For volunteer, sponsorship or advertising opportunities, contact Stan Lasater 813-391-5855.

Membership Renewal

The Association experienced a bit of a problem getting renewal notices out to the members. In order to make the renewal easier for the Renewal Committee, the Annual memberships will now be renewed twice a year only instead of monthly. If you join in the first or last quarter of the year, regardless of which month, you will now receive your renewal notice the first week of that quarter.

Remember if you want to have a voice in what goes on, you must be a member. We urge everyone to not only join, but to also come to meetings and get involved. Every resident of SESH is not only welcome but encouraged to participate. If you have not received your renewal this year please help us out by contacting any board member.

PAINT YOUR HEART OUT 2009:

If you would like to nominate a house to be painted for PYHOT 2009, please contact Frank Roder, 238-1772 for qualification information. This year's PYHOT will be held in April 2009. This will be the 21st year for PYHOT and we are looking for homes of low-income, elderly to be nominated for painting.

New Seminole Heights Restaurants On the Way!!

... three new eateries moving forward!

ELLA'S

"Eclectic, American Bistro"
corner Shadowlawn & Nebraska
The building will be 2 stories with 1/2 of it being opened all the way up. It will also have a courtyard around the grand tree. Upstairs will be offices and possibly future dining area. At first they will only be open for dinner and Sunday Brunch, but have plans to expand. The feel will be Urban Industrial with lots of art and a rotating wall of art for shows.



GREG'S PUB & GRUB

Seminole Heights own sports bar and grill!
Nebraska Ave, north of Hanna
Rumor has it that they are shooting to be open for the Super Bowl!



SANGRIA'S

Spanish Tapas Restaurant & Bar
corner Hillsborough & I-275
The old Leroy's 4x4 building will be demolished to make way for a new building, styled to fit within the historical guidelines of the area. With Starbucks right next door, it's sure to be a Heights hotspot!



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stay on top of
neighborhood
events ...
check out

www.seshca.com

Got News?

Promotions, births, marriages, engagements, anniversaries, graduations ... you name it, we want to hear about it!

Send information and/or pictures via e-mail to 2dgdsgnstudio@tampabay.rr.com or mail to SESHCA, Attn Newsletter Editor, PO Box 7298, Tampa, FL 33673.



2009

General Membership Meeting Schedule

The Association has six meetings a year. The months are slightly different if it is an off election or election year. 2009 is an election year and the meeting dates and general subjects are as follows:

■ January 20th

Appreciation Awards, general announcements and presentation of 2009 plans

■ March 17th

General Meeting with Speaker

■ May 19th

General Meeting with Speaker

■ July 21st

General Meeting with Speaker
Beginning nominations for Board positions.

■ Sept 22nd

General Meeting
Final nominees address members

■ October 20th

General Year End Meeting
Ballot counting and announcement of new Board members.

Throughout the year as issues present themselves, they will be addressed at the General Membership meetings. In addition, if required, additional special meetings might be held.

2009 PORCH PARTIES

PORCH PARTIES are open to ALL residents of Southeast Seminole Heights and their guests. They begin at 7pm and last until ???!

All we ask is that you bring an appetizer, snack, salad, dish, side or dessert to share and your choice of beverage.

Get to know your neighbors and just unwind on a Friday night!

Interested in hosting a porch party in 2009?

If so, please contact Sherry Simons at info@seshca.com or 813-789-9849.

Currently available months can be viewed at www.SESHCA.com.

Look for the Yellow Porch Party link on the left side of the page.