

# Sea Isle Park

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## president's pen

As your Neighborhood Association President, I'm constantly searching for ways to enhance our community's well-being. Recently, I stumbled upon an incredible concept known as "Blue Zones." This concept explores the lifestyles of people worldwide where individuals live longer, happier lives. One standout factor? The power of community building. In Blue Zones, a strong sense of community is a cornerstone of longevity and happiness. When individuals come together, support one another, and create a tight-knit network, remarkable things happen. This got me thinking about our own neighborhood and the potential we have to foster a more connected and vibrant neighborhood.

Along with this thought, I'm thrilled to announce, **SIPFest will be held on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>**, which perfectly aligns with the Blue Zones' philosophy. It's an opportunity for us to come together, strengthen our bonds, and embrace the power of community building. This event isn't just about fun and festivities; it's about building relationships, connecting with neighbors, and creating a sense of belonging.

When we gather at SIPFest, we'll be taking a meaningful step towards a healthier and happier neighborhood. The connections we make, the conversations we have, and the memories we create will contribute to our overall well-being.

I encourage each and every one of you to mark your calendars for this event and participate wholeheartedly. Let's make it a point to meet our neighbors, share stories, and build the kind of community that not only enhances our quality of life but also provides a blueprint for a happier and healthier future.

In the spirit of the Blue Zones concept, let's celebrate the beauty of our community and the incredible people who call it home. Together, we can make our neighborhood an even better place to live, full of vitality and joy.

I look forward to seeing you all there and witnessing the positive impact our united community can have on each of our lives.

*Mara Thompson, SIPNA President*

## ♪ SIPFest Oct. 15 ♪

Sea Isle Park Festival aka SIPFEST is our neighborhood's version of the city's Neighborhood Night Out. We hold it every year, the third Sunday in October and this year is no exception! SIPFest will be held Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 3-6pm in the parking lot of McWherter Sr. Center located at 1355 Estate Drive.

All the churches in our neighborhood come out and provide food (hamburgers, bbq nachos, pizza, lemonade, etc.) games, bouncy houses and an old fashioned cake walk. The police Special Forces will make an appearance with the Mounted Patrol and Canine Unit. The fire department will also be there with a hook and ladder truck. The music this year will be brought to us by **The Rob Haynes Band**. He played SIPFest two years ago and is sure to entertain us again this year!

We have vendors from our neighborhood that will be there to advertise their businesses. This festival celebrates our neighborhood in a fantastic way and the best part is **IT IS FREE!** There will be parking on Estate, Sea Isle and also the parking lot at Sea Isle Elementary. We hope you'll walk or drive over to see what it's all about on **Sunday, October 15, 3-6pm**  
*Just follow the music!*

**Molly Laster**  
*Festival Chair/Past President*

Per MPD,  
NO PETS ALLOWED.





Nov. 25 ❄️ Sat., 1-4pm

★★ *FOOD TRUCKS* ★★

Come visit Santa!



1355 Estate Drive / McWherter

♪ Christmas Sing-a-long! ♪  
Ugly Sweater Contest! 3pm-prizes!

NOTE: The center is closed, so there will NOT be any restroom facilities. No pets.



**OPEN HOUSE**

Oct. 24 □ 10-7

*Ways to Participate...*

Come in person!

Skincare representatives, aestheticians & nurses will be available to talk with. There will be opportunities to learn about some of our lasers and new products & treatments, all while earning chances to win some great giveaways! *Snacks & drinks will also be available.*

Do you already know what you want to purchase & can't come by in person? Call the day of Open House or visit our website to place your order.

theskinclinics.com  
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1300 Wolf Park Drive

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Community

YARD SALE

**ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Saturday, October 14

8am to Noon ✨ Indoor ~ Outdoor

Vendor spaces for rent for a \$10 donation.  
*Also accepting donations to sell.*



Email: office@allsaintsepiscopal.org  
Connie Cupples ☎ 901-685-7333

1508 S. WHITE STATION RD., near Quince



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*Y'all!*

SIPNA Facebook is THE place to be online! Keep up with all things in our neighborhood. Verify your address to sign up as it's a well-monitored, closed group and kept private.

Start by searching for the group:  
**Sea Isle Park Neighborhood Association (SIPNA).**



*Informative and fun! Everything Sea Isle!* Starting there, you will find a SIPNA Facebook page for all things Sea Isle: Lost & Found pets, Dog Park, 5K, Runners, Disc Golf, Arts & Crafts... AND a cool marketplace page for posting your items to sell/buy/donate! *Many talented artisans in Sea Isle!*

You could do some of your *Holiday Shopping* on **SIPNA Buy/Sell/Free/Yard Sales!**

► **Paying your membership dues is fast & simple!** Use our online membership management system, 'join it'! Go to sipna.org, select join/renew, and follow the instructions! Easiest way EVER to update your info, pay your dues, etc.—so simple! (*Dues are due in January.*)

SIPNA is a 501c3 non-profit organization, and our \$20 per household annual dues supports all the things you love in our neighborhood!

► If you aren't getting any E-MAILS from SIPNA, please send your name, address, and e-mail address to sipna@sipna.org



**SAFETY TIPS**

Watch the neighborhood for children on Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> starting at dusk! See you out there!

- ◆ Dress children in well-fitted, bright or light-colored costumes and shoes for visibility and to avoid falls.
- ◆ Choose costumes & accessories labeled "flame-resistant." Non-toxic makeup is a great alternative to masks, which can block the child's view.
- ◆ Flashlights are a must, and reflective tape or glow sticks add visibility. Please discuss traffic safety ahead of time as it might be unfamiliar to them (*as they are usually driven everywhere*). Drivers: Headlights should be turned on earlier tonight. Wait behind other vehicles that are pulled over as they may be dropping off a group of children.
- ◆ Plan your route & make a couple of copies. Take a bottle of water and a trash bag - you know you'll need a place to stash your wrappers! 😊

**IT IS ALL ABOUT THE CANDY!**

◆ **SUNDAY, October 29<sup>th</sup>** ◆

**Colonial Park United Methodist Church**  
colonialpark.org ▪ 5330 Park Avenue, 683-5286  
**Trunk or Treat!**

Join us for worship! We will have small groups and Sunday school at **10am** followed by a blended worship service at **11am**.

**Stay afterwards for food trucks & Treat Street Trunk or Treat at 1pm!**

Feel free to wear your best costume to worship!



**Park Avenue Church of Christ**  
parkave.org ▪ 5295 Park Avenue, 682-1220  
**Trunk or Treat! ▪ 4-6pm**



**Woodland Presbyterian**  
woodlandpres.org ▪ 5217 Park Avenue, 682-3349  
**Trunk or Treat! ▪ 4-6pm**



**Your Sea Isle Facebook page will have the most current updates on all the Sea Isle happenings!**



# YARD of the Month



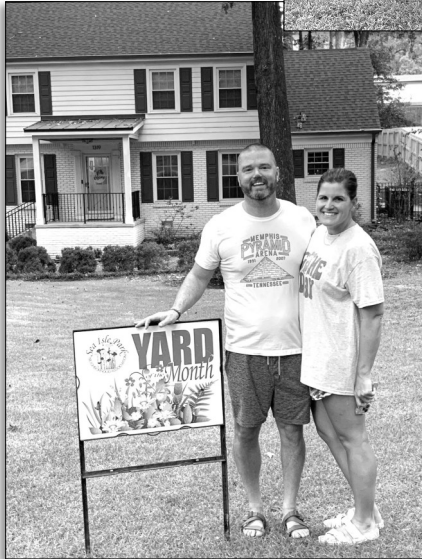
**Susie Hudson**

## District 67-2

**Alan Garrett  
&  
Jimmy Harrell**

1495 Whitewater  
& Quince

Neighbors since  
2020.



## District 67-3

**Dan & Catelin  
Springer**

1319 E Crestwood

Neighbors since  
2018.

*Sea Isle is divided into  
three districts.  
Winners receive an  
ACE Hardware gift card!  
Discover your district at  
SIPNA.org.*



*I am a true Dog Lover  
and apprehensively  
profess that there are  
many instances where  
I prefer the company  
of canines over my  
human counterparts!*

Of course, I would always prefer the company of my wife Kim over any dog, just saying. For essay purposes, I will use the name of my dog, Sam. Sam has never asked for credit cards to buy X-Box games or ultra expensive running shoes or anything for that matter. Sam has never woken up cranky or slept until noon because he was hungover. Sam (my dog) has never told me to get out of their life after asking him to go to the Dog Park; he is happy to be with me under all circumstances and would be happy to be by my side if I became homeless.

Sam is always ecstatic to see me when I walk in the door. It doesn't matter if I have just gone outside to take out the trash or run an errand; he acts like I was gone for a month! Maybe it has something to do with the consensus that dogs have a sense of time, but don't understand the concept of time or know how to read clocks, or have the ability to create actual measures of time.

Lastly, upon observations at the Dog Park, I have learned something from the smallest of dogs who go after the 'Big Dogs'; if someone bully's you or tries to take away something that belongs to you, immediately let the bigger dog be aware of your feelings and do not back down. I wished I would have practiced these principles at an early age!

Thank you all for supporting the Sea Isle Dog Park and remember to pick up your poop!

**Hal B. Lovett**

*Sea Isle Dog Park Founder*

## Blessing of all animals

**October 8, 2023**

**12:00 pm**

**Sea Isle Dog Park**

**Bring your pets (must be leashed or in a case) and let Fr. Tom with All Saints' Episcopal Church give them a special blessing.**



**CHRIST THE KING**  
LUTHERAN SCHOOL

## OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> • 9am



**SIPNA INVITED TO THE  
TENNESSEE RECREATION AND  
PARKS ASSOCIATION (TRPA) CONFERENCE**

The Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association (TRPA) is a non-profit professional society of over 2,100 individual and agency members (professionals and citizens) organized in 1952 as the leader in supporting highly effective professionals to achieve healthy, livable communities. TRPA exists to strengthen and unite those committed to the benefits of parks and recreation.

This year, Memphis Parks hosted the conference and invited SIPNA to discuss how a neighborhood association can make a difference in activating a neighborhood park. "The work your group has done to get the disc golf course in, as well as, converting a ball field to a dog park, the grant for fitness equipment, an arboretum, and more has all combined to make Sea Isle a very diverse and extremely well-used neighborhood park," said Mike Flowers (Administrator Planning and Development Department). This invitation was a huge honor. On Tuesday, September 12, at the Renasant Center, John Behnke (Past President), Mara Thompson (President) and Sandi Rogers (First Vice President) presented an educational session explaining what we did and how we did it.



These are the items we discussed:

- Level One Arboretum for over 30 years
- Memorial Trees with plaques for loved ones
- SIPPest – 14 years of giving back to the neighborhood
- Sea Isle 5K since 2016
- Dog Park since 2018
- 18 hole Disc Golf Course since 2019
- New Entryway and SkyCop Camera since 2019
- New fitness area – **coming in 2024!**

*This was a very interactive and informative session with a lot of questions asked.*



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*Past President*



East Memphis Food Pantry serves the needs of our community by offering food weekly to our neighbors. We offer to help by serving the needs of our neighbors with basic food, personal hygiene, and some household products, in a welcoming, safe, friendly, and compassionate environment that seeks to maintain the dignity of each person who visits our pantry. This is one way, at Restoration Fellowship, we seek to make Jesus' Kingdom visible by serving East Memphis by showing the love of Christ to our community by helping Memphians in need of food assistance.

The East Memphis Food Pantry is a self-pick free grocery pantry open weekly on **Thursdays, 3:30-5:30pm. 5340 Quince Road @ Estate.**

If you would like to volunteer, please let us know. If you know who would benefit from the East Memphis Food Pantry, we warmly invite you to come or bring a friend in need so they could experience the love of Christ in a tangible way. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to gather with us at Restoration Memphis any Sunday at 10:30am.

~ Shaun Payne

**SEA ISLE PARK**  
*Disc Golf*

EST. 2019

**Bring your family & friends!**

18 hole Disc Golf Course  
at Sea Isle Park.  
Great for beginners  
and practicing putters.

*Open park hours. Find us on Facebook!*

# Church Connection

Neighborhood Churches

Find ONE and GET CONNECTED!

~ Kathryn Miskell

**All Saints Episcopal**

1508 S. White Station / 685-7333  
allsaintsepiscopal.org

**Christ the King Lutheran**

5296 Park / 682-8404 / ctkmemphis.com

**Colonial Park United Methodist**

5330 Park / 683-5286 / colonialpark.org

**New Hope In Christ Ministries**

1708 Vera Cruz / 922-5901  
www.facebook.com/nhicministries

**Park Avenue Church of Christ**

5295 Park / 682-1220 / parkave.org

**Restoration Fellowship**

5340 Quince / 207-1997  
restorationmemphis.com

**Woodland Presbyterian**

5217 Park / 682-3349 / woodlandpres.org



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✓ Check inside for details!
- ✓ Thursdays: Food Pantry!

**OCTOBER:**

- 5 Election Day
- 8 Blessing of the Pets
- 14 Community Yard Sale
- 15 **SIPFest!** 🎵 🎵 🎵
- 19 CTK Open House
- 29 Colonial Park UM Trunk or Treat
- 29 Park Ave. CoC Trunk or Treat
- 29 Woodland Pres. Trunk or Treat

**NOVEMBER:**

- 23 Happy Thanksgiving!
- 25 Sea Isle Santa

SIPNA Dues: January 1, 2024

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