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## May 2009 NEWSLETTER

### **May Monthly Meeting & Social** **Wednesday, May 6th, 6:00-7:30pm**

**Cathy & Craig Meldahl's yard**  
**681 Magnolia Street**

The Village Association will provide wine, beer and sparkling water. Please bring your favorite appetizer to share during our Social. Cheers!!

#### **AGENDA**

##### **Business Meeting**

Preview of events proposed for the upcoming year; reports from special interest groups; announcements.

##### **Program**

Welcome our guest speaker Al Hogle, Chief of Police, Longboat Key. There will be time for questions after his talk.

##### **Social**

Meet and greet, eat and enjoy!

##### **Note**

This is our last regular "1<sup>st</sup>-Wednesday" meeting until October, but there will be get-togethers throughout the summer. We'll keep you posted!



Check out our Village Website ([www.longbeachvillage.com](http://www.longbeachvillage.com)) for new pictures from 2009 - Monthly meetings, Arends Bench Dedication, Lipizzaner Trip, Garage Sale, Book Club, etc. Special thanks to Joan Spalding, Webmaster.

**The Spring Season may be winding down, but there is plenty of Village FUN to be had in the FALL. Remember to pay your 2009 Dues!**

Reminder: Dues \$15 Individual; \$25 Family; are payable at the May 6th meeting or send them to the LBVA address above.

### **Volunteer for Committees!**

President Michael Drake is spearheading the recruiting for our committees: Budget, Beautification, Nominating, Social, Program & Newsletter. They're a great way to get involved in the Association and a wonderful way to meet your neighbors!

Contact Michael at [amdrake@comcast.net](mailto:amdrake@comcast.net) or 941-383-9346

### **New Directory!**

Linda Lasota has kindly volunteered to chair the committee to produce a new Village Directory to be ready this Fall. Hooray! She requests that all Village residents email (or call) her with the following information:

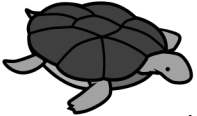
- Name (s)
- Village Address
- Phone number
- Email (if desired)
- Secondary address & phone

**Ads are also needed—great exposure for your business!!**

**Volunteers, too!!**

Linda's at [l.lasota@verizon.net](mailto:l.lasota@verizon.net) or 941-383-7497

**SUSAN SLOCUM & ERIC JENSEN ARE BACK IN TOWN APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>. Their journey included teaching English in Warsaw, Poland and a month in Istanbul. The experience was incredible and much more, according to Susan.**



## Turtle watch season

Many of your Village neighbors walk the beach throughout this season; want to join them? This is an opportunity to learn about our other seasonal neighbors, these great sea creatures. It is lots of fun, not to mention great exercise. **Interested?** Website: [www.lbkturtlewatch.com](http://www.lbkturtlewatch.com)

## Ideas for Upcoming Village Association Events

Proposed Events include:

July 4<sup>th</sup> at Mar Vista

10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Millennium Party

We'll keep you posted!

### **Activities Update:**

Village Painters: Members and guests celebrated end of season with an exhibition of their artwork and a party by the bay at Craig & Georgia Walters on April 19th. It was a glorious occasion! Heartfelt thanks to Penny Pollock for leadership and inspiration throughout the season.

The Village Painters will resume meeting Monday mornings from 10-12 in the Fall. All LBVA members are welcome.

Historical Fiction Book Club: Books for '09-10 are: *A Land Remembered* (Patrick Smith) in Nov., *Sea of Poppies* (Amitav Ghosh) in Dec., *Book Thief* (Markus Zusak) in Jan., *Someone Knows My Name* (Leonard Hill) in Feb., *Madonnas of Leningrad* (Debra Dean) in Mar. Any questions contact: Mary Mazza at 941-383-2982.

Conversational French with Chantal Diem: Thursday afternoons at 5pm. Call Chantal for more information, 383-9083.

Fieldtrip Group (The Explorers? Travelers? Constantly Curious?):

A trip to the Dali Museum in St. Pete has been proposed for '09-10.

Anyone interested in heading up the Group? Reply to [lbva\\_newsletter@me.com](mailto:lbva_newsletter@me.com).

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**Sarasota Bay Watch**  
[www.sarasotabaywatch.org](http://www.sarasotabaywatch.org)

ACTION your thing? On May 2, 2009, Sarasota Bay Watch will be conducting a monofilament clean-up of Whale Key. For more information or to partner and help call Rusty Chinnis at 383-2900.

**Remember to**  
**Enjoy the Dutch and Pat Arends Bench!**

