



March/April 2016  
City of Safety Harbor  
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# CityScape

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## Safety Harbor 1:1:1 Success

by: Sherri Kennedy, Recycling Coordinator

Some of you may have heard that the City of Clearwater has transitioned to once a week trash collection like we did back in October 2013. Safety Harbor was the first city in Pinellas County to make that transition and with such great success. That is thanks to the residents of Safety Harbor. Two years later we are still managing the collections successfully with your help. With that, we just want to remind everyone to please make sure the lid on your containers are closed so no large items are sticking out of them. Up to ten large items can also be placed out on your garbage day. Please remember, when placing cardboard in your recycling container, make sure it is cut up into small enough pieces so it won't get stuck in the container. That does happen from time to time, which prevents the container from emptying completely into the truck. It is our goal to make the waste disposal process as smooth and effortless as possible.

At the January 4, 2017, City Commission, Mayor Steingold presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence to homeowners and a business owner who have contributed to enhanced design and beautification in Safety Harbor.



*The Vermillions with Mayor Steingold.*

Colleen and Wes Vermillion moved from Oregon to Safety Harbor in April of 2015 and bought a home on Harbor Hill Drive. As new residents, they immediately began making the house their own and enhancing the curb appeal. Projects included the addition of several colorful landscape areas within the front yard, driveway pavers, and accent trim on the home exterior.



*Vermillion: After*

## Bill Cropsey 2016 Citizen's Academy

by: Kim Nicholls, Human Resources Director

The City of Safety Harbor is now accepting applications for the Bill Cropsey 2016 Citizen's Academy. Sessions are scheduled on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and will begin on May 3 at City Hall. The Bill Cropsey Citizen's Academy takes place over a seven week period and will be limited to twenty participants. Academy applicants will be chosen on a first-come, first serve basis with preference given to City of Safety Harbor residents.

The Bill Cropsey Citizen's Academy will tour key facilities, learn about the challenges facing Safety Harbor, interact with City leaders, discover ways to get involved with local government, and learn about the essential functions of a municipal government agency.

Applications are available on-line at: [cityofsafetyharbor.com](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com). Submission deadline is Friday, April 11, 2016.

Call Human Resources at (727)724-1555 x1408 with any questions.

Over the past few years, brewpubs and microbreweries have risen in popularity throughout the Tampa Bay area. Since 2013, Kip Kelly has been coordinating with staff and the City Commission to develop a microbrewery in Safety Harbor. In March of 2014, the City Commission approved a Land Development Code amendment to establish regulations for brewpub and microbrewery uses. Over the past year, Kip Kelly transformed the former Sanders auto body warehouse building at 555 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue into Safety Harbor's first craft brewery. Crooked Thumb Brewery opened its doors to the public in the fall of 2015.

Both the building's interior and exterior renovations demonstrate a great attention to detail and create an inviting atmosphere. New roll up doors on the front façade provide a unique building entrance. Many special touches have been incorporated into the design to celebrate Safety Harbor including beer tap handles salvaged from oak trees and other wood accents throughout the interior. A patio area in the side yard provides an outdoor space for patrons.



*Crooked Thumb Brewery: Before*



*Crooked Thumb Brewery: After*



*Crooked Thumb Brewery: After*

**Afterschool Photography**  
Tue, 3/1–3/22, 3:15–4:15pm  
Ages: 7–10, \$48  
Tue, 3/5–3/22, 4:15–5:15pm  
Ages: 11–14, \$48  
Museum

**BYOB Painting Party**  
Fri, 3/11 & 4/22, 7–9pm  
Adults, \$40  
Museum

**People & the Night Sky**  
Wed, 4/27, 6:30–7:30pm  
Adults, Free  
Museum

**Watercolor for Adults**  
Tue, 3/1–3/22, 1–3pm  
Tue, 4/12–5/3, 1–3pm  
Adults, \$65  
Museum

**Jewelry Making Workshop**  
Thu, 3/10 & 4/14, 6–9pm  
Ages: 16–Adult, \$50  
Museum

**Mom & Me Tea Party**  
Sat, 5/14, 10:30am–12pm  
Ages: 4–8, \$20/2<sup>nd</sup> Child \$10  
Museum

**Babysitter Training**  
Sat, 5/14, 9am–3:45pm  
Ages: 11–14, \$55  
Community Center

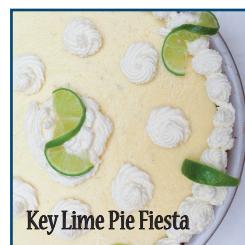
**Senior Social: Luau Party**  
Fri, 4/8, 4–7pm  
Adults, \$10

**Sunset Stand Up Paddleboarding**  
Fri, 3/4 & 4/8, 5:30–7:30pm  
Ages: 15–Adult, \$35  
Marina

**Future Legends Soccer**  
Tue, 3/1–3/29, 4:45–5:45pm  
Tue, 4/5–4/26, 4:45–5:45pm  
Ages: 6–10, \$40  
Safety Harbor City Park

## March and April Events at the Library are Florida Centric!

by: Lisa Kothe, Library Director



March and April are filled with programs, contests, and events we all can relate to as Florida visitors and residents. From March 7 through April 14, the Library will be flocked with flamingos donated and created by local artists. Artsy flamingos will be on display with chances win your own with the purchase of \$1.00 ticket. Winning tickets will be drawn at the Key Lime Pie Fiesta on Thursday, April 14, 6:30 pm. The Fiesta includes a Key Lime Pie contest with cash prizes, music, and food, sponsored by the Library Foundation. All proceeds benefit the Foundation's 20/20 Vision, Let's Build a Story capital campaign.

From March 1 through April 1, enter our Six Word Memoir™ Contest. Create a Six Word Memoir™ about Florida. Cash prizes from the Friends of the Library for the three most creative memoirs. If you need to enhance your personal library, mark your calendar for the Friends Book Sale on Saturday, March 5, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

On Saturday, March 19, take a break from the Bloom-N-Chalk Fest and create your own fabulous artsy flamingo to take home. All materials are included in your \$25.00 donation. Sign up for your time slot at [www.SafetyHarborLibraryFoundation.org](http://www.SafetyHarborLibraryFoundation.org).

In March, we'll be showing two funky Florida films with complimentary popcorn. On March 3, *Mr. Peabody and the Mermaid*, a 1948 fantasy shot in Weeki Wachee and on March 31, *Matinee*, starring John Goodman about the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Capping off April is our 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry Night with open mic readings, food, and music on Thursday, April 28, 6:00 pm. For a complete listing of programs for youth, teens, and adults, visit [www.SafetyHarborLibrary.com](http://www.SafetyHarborLibrary.com).

## The Code Enforcement Process

by: Joseph Young, Code Enforcement Officer

My name is Joseph Young, and I am the Code Enforcement Officer for the City of Safety Harbor. As your City Code Enforcement Officer, my role is to help provide information about city codes and gain voluntary compliance when a violation is found. Residents can assist in the code enforcement process by proactively working with the City to correct any code violations. In doing so, we can all do our part to ensure the beauty and quality of life we have grown to appreciate in Safety Harbor.



Some of the most frequently asked questions about Code Enforcement are as follows:

1. **What codes do the City enforce?** The City enforces all ordinances, regulations and codes officially adopted by the City. The City does not enforce deed restrictions or homeowners association regulations; these are enforced privately through civil action.
2. **What do I do if I have a complaint?** You can use the City Action Line on our website, [cityofsafetyharbor.com/actionline](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/actionline), or you can email me at [jyoung@cityofsafetyharbor.com](mailto:jyoung@cityofsafetyharbor.com) or call me at 727-724-1555 x1705. If the complaint appears to be a possible violation of City regulations, I will conduct an investigation of the complaint.
3. **What if the complaint is valid?** If the complaint is valid, I will send the property owner a letter explaining the nature of the violation, what is necessary to correct the violation, and the amount of time given to correct the violation, normally 10 days.
4. **What if the violation is not corrected?** I will issue an official Notice of Violation to the property owner requiring that the violation be corrected giving a certain date to come into compliance. If the violation persists, a hearing will be scheduled before the Code Enforcement Board.
5. **What is the Code Enforcement Board?** The Code Enforcement Board is a group of citizens appointed by the City Commission that has the authority make an official finding that the violation exists, order corrective actions, and to issue fines if the violation persists. The fines can constitute a lien on the violator's property. The liens do accrue interest and include administrative costs as well as the fine.

I hope that you will join me in my goal to maintain the health, safety, welfare, vintage charm, aesthetic beauty and quality of life in our one-of-a-kind City of Safety Harbor. For more information on the Code Enforcement process and FAQ's, please visit: [cityofsafetyharbor.com/121/Code-Enforcement](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/121/Code-Enforcement).

# Community Calendar

See More Events online at [www.cityofsafetyharbor.com](http://www.cityofsafetyharbor.com)

## March

### City Meetings (All Meetings @ City Hall)

- 7 - City Commission Meeting, 7:30pm
- 8 - Library Advisory Committee (Library), 7pm
- 9 - Board of Appeals, 6:30pm
- 9 - Planning and Zoning Board, 6:30pm
- 10 - Finance Advisory Committee, 6:30pm
- 21 - City Commission Meeting, 7:30pm
- 25 - City Offices Closed - Spring Holiday**
- 16 - Code Enforcement Board, 7pm

### Special Events

- 3 - Farmer's Market (Gazebo), 9am
- 5 - Junk in the Trunk (Community Center), 9am
- 10 - Farmer's Market (Gazebo), 9am
- 13 - Shabby Chic Vintage Market (Gazebo), 10am
- 17 - Farmer's Market (Gazebo), 9am
- 18 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Music Series (Main St.), 6pm
- 19-20 - Chalk Art Festival (Main St.), 9am
- 20 - Kiwanis Arts & Crafts (Main St.), 9am
- 20 - Nolan's 5K (Main St.), 8am
- 24 - Farmer's Market (Gazebo), 9am
- 31 - Farmer's Market (Gazebo), 9am

### Library (All Events @ Safety Harbor Library)

- 1 - Six Words <sup>TM</sup> Contest begins
- 1 - Story Yoga, 4pm
- 3 - Funky FL Film, *Mr. Peabody and the Mermaid*, 6pm
- 5 - Friends of the Library Book Sale, 9am-3pm
- 8 - Stories & Art, 4:00 pm (Grades 2-5)
- 8 & 22 - SCORE Small Business Counseling, 10am-2pm
- 9 - ESOL Conversation Club, 4:30pm
- 10 - Wee Discoveries, 11am (Ages 1-5)
- 10 - Establishing a Home Business, 6:30pm
- 15 - Tuesday Crafternoon, 3:30pm (Ages 4-10)
- 15 - Books & Bagels, 10:30am
- 16 - Creative Writers Group & Story Circle, 6pm
- 19 - Foundation Flamingo Painting Party, 10am
- 20 - Heart & Soul Cinema, 1:30pm
- 21 - Words & Wine Book Club @ Whistle Stop, 6:30pm
- 23 - Magic Show, 11am
- 23 - Zumba Kids, 4pm (Ages 4-10)
- 24 - Kids Yoga Dance, 4pm
- 24 - Safety Harbor Writers & Poets, 5:30pm
- 29 - Collective Coloring for Adults, 6:30pm
- 31 - Funky FL Film, *Matinee*, 6pm

Mondays - Toddler Story Time, 10:30am

Mondays - Homework Help (Grades 2-8) 4:00pm

Tuesdays (*April Only*) - Coderdojo (Ages 7-17) 6:00pm

Wednesdays - Preschool Story Time, 10:30 am

Wednesdays (*March Only*) - Tony's Computer Class, 2 – 4pm

## April

### City Meetings (All Meetings @ City Hall)

- 4 - City Commission Meeting, 7:30pm
- 12 - Library Advisory Committee (Library), 7pm
- 13 - Board of Appeals, 6:30pm
- 13 - Planning and Zoning Board, 6:30pm
- 14 - Finance Advisory Committee, 6:30pm
- 18 - City Commission, 7:30pm
- 20 - Code Enforcement Board, 7pm

### Special Events

- 2-3 - Safety Harbor Song Fest (Waterfront Park), 10am
- 7 - Farmer's Market (Gazebo), 9am
- 8 - Safety Harbor Boat Show (Marina), 12pm
- 9-10 - Safety Harbor Boat Show (Marina), 10am
- 14 - Farmer's Market (Gazebo), 9am
- 15 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Music Series (Main Street), 6pm
- 16 - Beer & Burger Throwdown (Marina), 2pm
- 21 - Farmer's Market (Gazebo), 9am
- 28 - Farmer's Market (Gazebo), 9am
- 30 - March for Babies (Marina), 8am

### Library (All Events @ Safety Harbor Library)

- 5 - Story Yoga, (Ages 3-9) 4pm
- 7 - Creating Your Web Presence, 6:30 pm
- 12 & 26 - SCORE Small Business Counseling, 10am-2pm
- 12 - Stories & Art, (Grades 2-5) 4pm
- 13 - Children's Movie, 3:30pm
- 14 - Wee Discoveries, 11am
- 14 - Key Lime Pie Fiesta, 6:30pm
- 17 - Heart & Soul Cinema, 1:30pm
- 18 - Words & Wine Book Club @ Whistle Stop, 6:30pm
- 19 - Books & Bagels Book Club, 10:30am
- 19 - Crafternoon, 3:30pm
- 20 - Creative Writers Group & Story Circle, 6pm
- 21 - T-Tapp Exercise Program, 6:30pm
- 26 - Collective Coloring for Adults, 6:30pm
- 27 - Zumba Kids, 4pm
- 28 - Kids Yoga Dance, 4pm
- 28 - 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry Night, 6pm

Wednesdays – Teen Time (Grades: 6-12), 4:30pm

Thursdays – Teen Time (Grades: 6-12), 4:30pm

Fridays - Baby & Me Story Time, 10:00am

Fridays- Teen Gaming (Grades: 6-12), 4:30pm

Saturdays (*March Only*) - LEGO League (Ages 3 & up), All Day

## **CityScape**

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## **City Officials**

Andy Steingold, Mayor  
Andy Zodrow, Vice Mayor  
Carlos Diaz, Commissioner  
Janet Hooper, Commissioner  
Cliff Merz, Commissioner  
Matthew Spoor, City Manager

## **City Directory**

City Hall: 727-724-1555  
Community Center: 727-724-1530  
Fire Station #52: 727-724-1520  
Fire Station #53: 727-724-1536  
Library: 727-724-1525  
Museum & Cultural Ctr.: 727-724-1562  
Public Works: 727-724-1550  
Rigsby Recreation Center: 727-724-1545



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## **FOOD-Raiser**

Benefits Mattie Williams Neighborhood Family Center  
Backpack Buddies Program through SHMS STEP Program  
**Donate your non-perishable food items in individually wrapped, un-opened containers from now until May 27.**  
Food item examples: granola bars, fruit cups, pre-cooked beef stew or pasta, etc.  
City drop-off sites include:

- City Hall
- Safety Harbor Public Library
- Safety Harbor Museum & Cultural Center
- Safety Harbor Community Center and Rigsby Center



## **Trash Can & Recycle Bin Placement**

Please remember that your trash and/or recycling containers must be within 2 feet of the curb, with the arrow marked on the lid pointed toward the street by 6:30AM on your regular collection day. Containers must be placed 3 feet away from all trees, mailboxes, parked cars, utility poles or anything else that would obstruct the automated arm. Cans should not block pedestrian access on sidewalks or impede traffic. This will ensure safe collection of your container and prevent damage to your property.

