

Celebrating 100 Years



# CityScape

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## Green Harbor

by: Matthew Spoor, City Manager

It's trendy to Go Green, but what does Going Green mean? Going Green is a term used when individuals and communities make responsible decisions that are best for the environment and sustainability of natural resources for future generations. Safety Harbor has been green for some time, here are some accomplishments:

- First city in Pinellas County to offer single stream recycling, sanitation, and yard waste collection.
- Stormwater capital projects focus on increasing water quality.
- City Facilities' lights and City owned street light poles are LED.
- Recyclable plastic bags at Dog Bag Stations.
- Host Community Eco Egg hunt to assist in eradicating the invasive Air Potato Vine.
- Recycle at facilities and events.
- Provide water bottle filling stations at facilities and in parks.

Over the next year we will be working with Duke Energy to replace all streetlights with LED bulbs and over the last few months, residents have helped, too, by coming together to collect trash and litter along 9th Avenue North and at Waterfront Park to ensure a safer, thriving wildlife environment. To learn more about how you can join the Team Up to Clean Up, visit us on Facebook.

## Grants and Awards in the Harbor

by: Marcie Stenmark, Community Development Director

### Downtown Partnership Grants Available

The City of Safety Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency provides economic incentives encouraged by the Downtown Master Plan. Grant funding is available this fall for projects within the Community Redevelopment District. The application deadline is October 16, 2017. Applications are reviewed prior to the commencement of the project, and approved grant reimbursements are issued after the work is complete. The application form is available at: [cityofsafetyharbor.com/119/Downtown-Master-Plan](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/119/Downtown-Master-Plan).



### Neighborhood Grant Opportunities

Does your neighborhood association or organization have ideas to beautify or enhance a common area? Neighborhood project and beautification matching grant applications are being accepted this fall. The application deadline is October 2, 2017. Eligible projects for neighborhood project grants include physical improvements including entryway signs, fencing, walkways, fountains, and lighting. Eligible projects for beautification matching grants include landscaping and irrigation. Grant application information is available at [cityofsafetyharbor.com/27/Neighborhood-Grants](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/27/Neighborhood-Grants).

### Mayor's Award of Excellence

The City is accepting nominations for the Mayor's Award of Excellence to recognize businesses and residents who recently enhanced the appearance of their property. Examples of eligible projects include painting, cleaning, remodeling, and landscaping. If you know of a residence or business that recently underwent a curb appeal transformation, please submit the form provided at: [cityofsafetyharbor.com/DocumentCenter/Home/View/1308](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/DocumentCenter/Home/View/1308).

For more information on any of these items, contact Marcie Stenmark, Community Development Director at [mstenmark@cityofsafetyharbor.com](mailto:mstenmark@cityofsafetyharbor.com).



## PENNY FOR PINELLAS REFERENDUM VOTE NOVEMBER 7, 2017



On Nov. 7, 2017, Pinellas County residents will decide on the renewal of the Penny for 10 years (2020-2030). The Penny makes it possible to do more capital projects without relying on property taxes. The Penny generates the equivalent of 2.4 mills of property taxes (\$314 on the average single-family home with a taxable value of \$131,000). Without the Penny, Safety Harbor would rely more heavily on other funding sources, such as property taxes, to fund capital projects. Without such funding, many projects would be delayed or deleted.

*Examples of proposed projects for Safety Harbor include:*

Street & Sidewalk Improvements • Library Expansion • Park Improvements  
Community Center Improvements • Main St. Streetscape Improvements • Fire Truck Replacement

# REAL Fun! Safety Harbor

## Truck-N-Play Day

Saturday, 9/16, 10am–2pm  
All Ages, Free  
Safety Harbor City Park

## Family Ninja Nerf Night

Friday, 9/22, 6–8pm  
Ages: 5–14, \$5 per person  
Safety Harbor Community Center

## Mummy & Son Masquerade

Saturday, 10/14, 3–6pm  
Ages: 4–12, \$30 per couple  
Safety Harbor Community Center

## Go Fish! A Family Fun Fishing Day

Saturday, 10/21, 11am–1pm  
Ages: 2–15, Free  
Safety Harbor Marina

## Evening Camp Fire & Hike

Friday, 11/3, 6:30–8pm  
All Ages, \$3 per person  
Folly Farm Nature Preserve

## O2BKids Night Out

Friday, 10/20, 6–9:30pm  
Ages: 6–12, \$10 per child  
\*\$7 optional boxed dinner  
Community Center

## Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, 12/9, 9–10:30am  
Ages: Birth–10, \$6 per child, \$3 per adult  
Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranch

## South Green Springs

### Water Main Replacement Project

by: John E. Powell, P.E., City Engineer

Water main improvements in the area south of City Hall will begin in August 2017. The work is necessary to replace aging infrastructure. Approximately 4,300 feet of 6 inch water main and 4,100 feet of 2 inch water main will be installed. Where possible, water lines will be installed by directional drill in order to minimize impacts to trees, sidewalks, driveways, roadways, and other infrastructure. The process consists of drilling a path at the desired location and depth, then pulling the water main into place. The contractor will coordinate with residents to assure access to their property and minimal disturbance to their water service.

To view a map of the work area, visit:  
[cityofsafetyharbor.com/770/City-News](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/770/City-News)

## Library Collecting Items for Centennial Time Capsule

by: Lisa Kothe, Library Director



The Safety Harbor Public Library is inviting community groups, service organizations, schools, businesses, and residents to contribute items for consideration for placement in a centennial time capsule. The Library is seeking ideas for objects reflecting Safety Harbor's community and contemporary daily life and has outlined some guidelines to ensure items have the best chance to remain intact when the capsule is opened in 50 years.

Items proposed will be evaluated for inclusion in the time capsule. To suggest an item, please complete the short form located on the rotator on the Library homepage. Selected items will be collected in early November, inventoried, and stored away for their five decade rest at the Library.

Items to avoid because of their tendency to decompose include: pressure sensitive adhesives, such as masking tape, electronics, newspapers, audio or compact discs, silk, wool, nylon, or rubber. Suggestions include: brochures, calendars, maps, local magazines, menus, meeting agendas, newsletters, old and current photo comparisons of buildings or locations, a photo of current City Commission, centennial pins, specialty items from your business or service organization, aerial photos of the city, etc. The Library will offer journals at City facilities for community members to write or draw in to be placed in the time capsule.

Contents of a time capsule from 1987 will be shared at the October 16, Commission meeting where a letter written 30 years ago to the current commission will be opened by officials. For more information, please contact the library at [shplref@cityofsafetyharbor.com](mailto:shplref@cityofsafetyharbor.com).

## Wednesday Yard Waste Pickup

by: Sherri Kennedy, Sanitation Supervisor

On Wednesdays, the Sanitation Division picks up yard waste for city residents. All yard waste collected is taken to the Pinellas County Landfill where it is recycled for mulch. In order for the yard waste to be recycled into mulch, it must be free of any contamination. Contamination means anything that is not pure vegetation.



**Correct Placement**

Yard waste materials, such as grass clippings and leaves, must be placed in unlined garbage cans no larger than 32 gallons, limited to 1.5 cubic yards in volume (1.5 cubic yards is equal to 8 cans or bundles), and curbside by 6:30 am on Wednesday only.

Yard waste too bulky to be containerized, such as branches and other vegetative materials, must be cut into sections no longer than 4 feet in length and 6 inches in diameter, then bundled with twine in arm size manageable bundles. Please do not tape bundles or mix paper or plastic in since this will contaminate the recycling process and will result in yard waste not being collected. Piles of yard waste in excess of 1.5 cubic yards will be left at the curb. Residents can call in and request special arrangement with the Sanitation Division for additional cost. Please make arrangements by calling 727-724-1550, ext 2002.

If you have any further questions about yard waste collections, please call the Public Works Department at 727-724-1550 between 7:00 am and 3:30 pm.

# Community Calendar

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

## September

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

#### 4 - All City Facilities Closed - Labor Day

- 11 - City Commission, 7pm
- 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
- 20 - Code Enforcement Board, 7pm
- 25 - City Commission, 7pm

### Special Events

- 11 - 9/11 Ceremony (City Hall), 9am
- 15 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Music Series (Main St.), 6pm
- 16 - Thin Mint Sprint (Marina), 8am
- 16 - Truck-N-Play Day (City Park), 10am
- 16 - Bucket Brigade Re-enactment (City Park), 11:30am
- 23 - Super Hero 5K (Main St.), 8:30am
- Sundays - Market on Main (Gazebo), 10am

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

- 5 - Teen Dungeons & Dragons Club (Grades 6-12), 5-8pm
- 9 - Family Story Time, 10:30am
- 12 - Preschool Arts & Crafts (Ages 2-5), 10:30am
- 12 - Stories & Art (Grades 2-5), 4pm
- 13 - Children's Movie "Boss Baby" (Ages 10 & under), 3:30pm
- 13 - Tween Craft (Ages 9-12), 5:30pm
- 14 - Youth Drama (Grades 2-5), 3:30pm
- 16 - FOL Book Sale, 9am-3pm
- 16 - Denim, Dice, & Disco Fundraiser Event  
    @ Safety Harbor Spa, 7pm
- 19 - Preschool Yoga (Ages 2-5), 10:30am
- 19 - Tuesday Crafternoon (Ages 4-10), 3:30pm
- 20 - Classic Radio Drama Hour, 2pm
- 21 - 10 Meals in 10 Minutes, 6:30pm
- 23 - READ Local: Local Author Fair, 11am-2pm
- 25 - Tween Book Tasting (Ages 9-12), 5:30pm
- 26 - Wee Discoveries (Ages 5 & Under), 11am
- 27 - Tween Minute to Win It (Ages 9-12), 5:30pm
- 28 - Miep Gies/Remembering Anne Frank  
    with Nan Colton, 6:30pm

## October

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

- 2 - City Commission Meeting, 7pm
- 10 - Library Advisory Committee (Library), 7pm
- 11 - Board of Appeals, 6:30pm
- 11 - Planning and Zoning Board, 6:30pm
- 12 - Walking Audit Presentation, 4pm
- 12 - Finance Advisory Committee, 6:30pm
- 15 - Walking Audit Break Out Sessions &  
    Next Steps Discussion, 3pm
- 16 - City Commission, 7pm
- 18 - Code Enforcement Board, 7pm

### Special Events

- 7 - Oktoberfest (Main St.), 12pm
- 11 - Safety Harbor Stories (Museum), 6pm
- 14 - Junk in the Trunk (Community Ctr.), 9am
- 15 - Shabby Chic Market (Gazebo), 10am
- 20 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Music Series (Main St.), 6pm
- 21 - Tree Give Away (Public Works), 8:30am
- 21 - All British Car Show (Main St.), 9am
- 21 - Skate Competition (Skatepark), 10am
- 21 - Go Fish! A Family Fishing Day (Marina), 11am
- 28 - Vintage Market (Museum), 8am
- 31 - Main Street Trick-or-Treat (Main St.), 4:30pm
- Sundays - Market on Main (Gazebo), 10am

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

- 5 - Cyber Security Informational Session, 5:30pm
- 6 - Teen Gaming (Grades 6-12), 5-7pm
- 7 - Daddy Daughter Hair Factory, 1pm
- 11 - Walking Ghost Tour, 7pm
- 17 - Tween Book Tasting (Ages 9-12), 5:30pm
- 18 - FOL Annual Event with  
    Comedy Hypnotist Denise Oatley Hall, 6:30pm
- 20 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday After-hours Party (Grades 6-12), 6-8pm
- 24 - Tween Halloween Cupcake Wars (Ages 9-12), 5:30pm
- 25 - Classic Radio Drama Hour, 2pm
- 28 - Spooktacular Party (Ages 5-12), 11am
- 30 - Preschool Halloween Party (Ages 5 & under), 10:30am
- 31 - Teen Dia de Los Muertos Sugar Skull Decorating, 5:30pm

### Paint Your Heart Out Needs Houses

Do you know a low-income, disabled, or elderly homeowner in Safety Harbor who would benefit from having PYHOSH volunteers, alongside professional painters, paint the exterior of their home? Let PYHOSH know! Finding the right homeowners to help is always the group's biggest challenge.

Since PYHOSH's creation as a charitable organization in 1991, more than 125 homes have gotten free pressure washing, an exterior paint job, and light landscaping. To qualify, nominees must own and live in their home as their primary residence in the City of Safety Harbor. To nominate a neighbor (or yourself), email PYHOSH@gmail.com

## **CityScape**

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## **City Officials**

Joe Ayoub, Mayor  
Carlos Diaz, Vice Mayor  
Scott Long, Commissioner  
Cliff Merz, Commissioner  
Andy Zodrow, 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

## **Labor Day Facility Closures:**

All City facilities will be closed Monday, September 4.  
\*Garbage collection will happen as usual.

Community Center will be closed Saturday, September 2.  
\*Zumba will still take place from 11:15am-12:15pm.

Museum and Cultural Center will be closed Saturday, September 2.

The Library will be closed Sunday, September 3.

## **City of**

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## **Flood Zone Information**

The City of Safety Harbor is a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program/Community Rating System (NFIP/CRS). We offer FEMA flood map determinations on property located in the city. Elevation certificates, if available, may be obtained through the Building Department. For more information regarding this program, please contact the City of Safety Harbor at 727-724-1555.



## **Tree Give Away**

**October 21 8-11am  
or until trees are gone**

Trees will be flowering trees to add color to the city with some shade trees that grow well in our city. Trees are in a 3 gallon container. Property owners will be able to select two trees per property with proof of ownership, water bill, license, etc.

The trees can be picked up at Public Works located at 1200 Railroad Avenue.

For more information, contact City Arborist Art Finn: 727-724-1555 x1303 or [afinn@cityofsafetyharbor.com](mailto:afinn@cityofsafetyharbor.com).

## **Denim, Dice, & Disco Casino Night**

**@ Safety Harbor Resort & Spa**

**Saturday, September 16, 7:00 – 10:00 pm  
Check-in: 6:30 pm, \$50 advance/\$55 at door**

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