

# CityScape

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## Election - March 17, 2020

A Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 for the purpose of electing a Mayor-Commissioner and Commissioner for Seat #4 for three year terms.

### Candidates are:

#### Mayor-Commissioner:

- Joe Ayoub
- Tanja Vidovic

#### Commissioner Seat #4:

- Carlos Diaz
- John Patrick Estok
- David Roth

## City Boards & Committees

by: Karen Sammons, City Clerk

The City is seeking applicants for its seven boards and committees. Boards include: Code Enforcement Board, Finance Advisory Committee, Library Advisory Committee, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Planning and Zoning Board/Board of Appeals, and the Public Art Committee. For more information and to apply, visit [cityofsafetyharbor.com/52/Boards](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/52/Boards).

## Spring Clean-up by Sherri Kennedy, Sanitation Supervisor

During the months of March and April, the Sanitation Division will be picking up unlimited household "spring cleaning" and yard debris for city residents free of charge. These items will be collected on the regular collection day starting March 2<sup>nd</sup> through April 29<sup>th</sup>. All items must be prepared to City Code in the appropriate trash receptacles. Any items too large, may be placed 3 feet away from the City issued container. Bagged leaves need to be placed out on the appropriate garbage day, not Wednesdays. All yard waste collected on Wednesday is hauled 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.

Yard waste too bulky to be place in a container, 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.

If you have any further questions about Spring Clean-up, please call the Public Works Department at 727-724-1550 between 6:30AM and 3:30PM.

## Love My City Photo Contest Winners

by Rebekah Mason, Communications Manager



In 2019, the City of Safety Harbor joined the National League of Cities Love My City initiative that was created to highlight the meaningful bonds between the community and their residents. As part of the initiative, the Safety Harbor hosted the **Love My City Photo Contest**. The photo contest encouraged residents to show off their favorite parts of Safety Harbor. There was a combined total of 894 entries that came in through email, Facebook, and Instagram in six subject categories.

The Public Art Committee chose first-place winners in each subject category and selected 12 finalists for the Best in Show. First-place winners were announced and recognized at the City Commission meeting on February 17, 2020. The winners were: Fred Brisard, **Sunrise/Sunset**; Barbi Kiser, **Nature & Wildlife**; Veronica Botts, **Special Events & Programs**; Dale Dervin, **Parks & Landmarks**; Chuck Alestra, **Safety Harbor's Thriving Downtown**; Jacqueline Faust, **Love My City**.

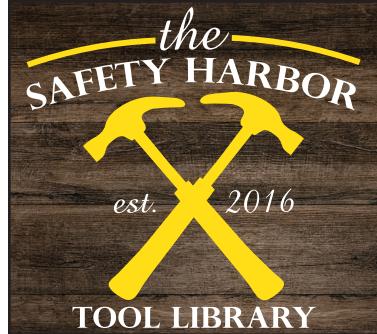


The City Commission chose Dennis Wyrick's photo of the Safety Harbor Pier as the Best in Show Winner. Mr. Wyrick will be recognized by the City Commission in March.



## ***Florida's First & Only Tool Library Is Here in the Harbor***

*by: Lisa Kothe, Library Director*



The Safety Harbor Library opened the first tool library in the state of Florida in December 2016 with an inventory of 242 items. A little over three years later, we have an inventory of 366 items with 1321 items checked out last year. Our most popular items include pressure washers, carpet cleaners, pole chainsaws, sliding miter saws, and nail guns.

Tool libraries offer home and garden tools reducing cost barriers to home improvements and encourage community sharing. Our mission is for all residents to have access to quality tools at no cost. To borrow tools, you'll need a free Pinellas County Public Library (PPLC) card obtained at any member library.

Tools are reserved online through our catalog; <https://safetyharbortoollibrary.myturn.com/library/> at least one day prior to the day you would like them, then are picked up during designated Tool Library hours; Wednesday through Saturday. Items may be returned anytime during normal library hours, Sunday through Saturday. Upon your first visit to pick up tools, you are required to sign a membership agreement and release form which remain on file.

Don't buy, borrow, and if you buy and won't use your tool again, consider donating it to your local tool library. For more information, visit our website, [SafetyHarborLibrary.com](http://SafetyHarborLibrary.com) or call our Answers Desk, 724-1525, extension 4112.

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## ***Matching Grants and Mayor's Award of Excellence***

*by Marcie Stenmark, Community Development Director*

The City of Safety Harbor is accepting matching grant and Mayor's Award of Excellence applications on April 1, 2020.

Neighborhood project matching grant categories include entryway signs, fencing, walkways, fountains and lighting in a common area. Beautification matching grant categories include landscaping and irrigation in a common area. The Mayor's Award of Excellence recognizes property owners for beautifying their property. A link to the applications is below:

[cityofsafetyharbor.com/27/Neighborhood-Grants](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/27/Neighborhood-Grants)

Downtown Partnership grant categories include facade, front porch, fencing, signage, public art, landscaping, dumpster enclosure, interior renovation, new non-residential building, market/hardware store, and artistic bicycle rack. A link to the application is below:

[cityofsafetyharbor.com/DowntownPartnershipGrantApplication](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/DowntownPartnershipGrantApplication)

**For more information, contact Marcie Stenmark, Community Development Director, at [mstenmark@cityofsafetyharbor.com](mailto:mstenmark@cityofsafetyharbor.com)**

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## ***Bill Cropsey Citizen's Academy 2020***

*by: Kim Nicholls, Human Resources Director*



The City of Safety Harbor is now accepting applications for the 2020 - Bill Cropsey Citizen's Academy. Sessions are scheduled on Tuesday evenings (with the exception of Wednesday, May 20, 2020) from 6:00PM to 8:00PM and will begin on May 5, at City Hall. The Bill Cropsey Citizen's Academy takes place over a seven-week period and will be limited to 25 participants. Academy applicants will be chosen on a first come, first served basis with preference given to 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.

Submission deadline is Friday, April 10, 2020. Applications are available on-line at: [cityofsafetyharbor.com/citizensacademy](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/citizensacademy). Call Human Resources at (727)724-1555 x1401 with any questions.

# Harbor Happenings

[www.SafetyHarborEvents.com](http://www.SafetyHarborEvents.com)

## March

### City Meetings

All meetings at City Hall unless otherwise noted

- 2 City Commission, 7PM
- 10 Library Advisory Committee (Library), 7PM
- 11 Board of Appeals/Planning & Zoning Board, 6:30PM
- 14 Finance Advisory Committee, 6:30PM
- 16 City Commission, 7PM
- 18 Code Enforcement Board, 7PM

### Special Events

- 6 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Flicks (Waterfront Park), 8PM
- 7 Paint Your Heart (First Baptist Church), 7:30AM-12PM
- 14 Junk in the Trunk (Community Center), 9AM-1PM
- 14 Bands on the Bay (Waterfront Park), 3-10PM
- 20 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Music Series (Main St.), 6-10PM
- 21 Kiwanis Arts & Crafts Show (Main Street), 9AM-4PM
- 21 Bloom-N-Chalk Fest (Main Street), 9AM-8PM
- 22 Bloom-N-Chalk Fest (Main Street), 10AM-5PM
- Sundays** Market on Main (Gazebo), 10AM-3PM

## LIBRARY SPECIAL EVENTS

- Living by the Stream Concert  
3/12 | 6:30 pm
- Friends Book Sale  
3/14 | 9am - 3pm
- Zero Waste Lifestyle Choices  
3/18 | 6:30 pm
- Bingo That's Not a Drag  
@Costal Cantina, tickets \$10  
3/19 | 6:30 pm

- Jazz Concert with Jenny & Nathan Wilson  
3/26 | 6:30 pm

- Afro-Cuban Jazz  
4/2 | 6:30 pm

- FL Wildlife Encounters  
4/16 | 6:30 pm

- Poetry Celebration  
4/23 | 6:30 pm

For a complete listing of library programs visit  
[events.safetyharborlibrary.org](http://events.safetyharborlibrary.org)

## Library Youth Programs

- African Dance & Stories  
Family | 3/18 | 11AM

- ACT Bootcamp  
Grades: 9-12 | 3/6 | 4-8PM  
Registration Required

- Teen Superhero Cupcake Wars  
Grades: 6-12  
3/25 | 5:30-6:30PM  
Registration Required

- Bunny Story Time  
Ages: 4 & under | 4/1 | 11AM

- Save the Bees Presentation & Party  
Family | 4/4 | 11AM

- Kids Cooking with Chef Warren  
Ages: 6-10 | 4/21 | 4PM  
Registration Required

- SAT Bootcamp  
Grades: 9-12 | 4/29, 4-8PM  
Registration Required

Complete list of Youth Programs:  
[SafetyHarborLibrary.com](http://SafetyHarborLibrary.com)

## April

### City Meetings

All meetings at City Hall unless otherwise noted

- 6 City Commission, 7PM
- 8 Board of Appeals/Planning & Zoning Board, 6:30PM
- 9 Finance Advisory Committee, 6:30PM
- 10 **All City Facilities Closed - Spring Holiday**
- 14 Library Advisory Committee (Library), 7PM
- 15 Code Enforcement Board, 7PM
- 20 City Commission, 7PM

### Special Events

- 3 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Flicks (Waterfront Park), 8PM
- 4 Paddle for Kids (Waterfront Park), 8AM-5PM
- 17 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Music Series (Main St.), 6PM
- 18 Beer & Burger Throwdown (Waterfront Park), 12-6PM
- Sundays** Market on Main (Gazebo), 10AM-3PM

## 1<sup>ST</sup> Friday Flicks

### @ Waterfront Park

Bring your blankets & lawn chairs for a FREE movie in the park!

- ★ March • 8pm  
*The Upside* PG-13

- ★ April • 8pm  
*Lion King* PG

- Live entertainment  
45 minutes prior to movie
- Concessions available



## *CityScape*

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## *City Officials*

Joe Ayoub, Mayor  
Cliff Merz, Vice Mayor  
Nancy Besore, Commissioner  
Carlos Diaz, 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

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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.



**is the Word**  
**Casino Night**

April 18 \* 7-10PM \* Check-in 6:30PM  
\$50 in advance/\$55 at the door @ Rydell High  
aka Safety Harbor Community Center

**Supporting:** **2020 VISION**  
Let's Build a Story

**Safety Harbor Library Foundation.org**

**Casino Party PLANNERS**

**Les 'n more**

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Building a Legacy for the Future



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## RECYCLING JUST GOT EASIER!

PUT ALL RECYCLABLES HERE



### Metal Cans

- Aluminum cans
- Steel & tin cans
- Lids from jars

### Cartons

- Milk & juice cartons
- Juice boxes

### Plastics

- All containers
- Recycle codes 1 through 7 (typically marked on bottom of container)



Do not include:

- No plastic bags
- No Styrofoam®
- No bottle caps



### Paper

- White or colored paper
- Newspaper
- Cardboard
- Paperbacks & hardcover books
- Phonebooks
- Wrapping paper
- Shredded paper (in paper bag)
- Junk mail
- Paper grocery bags
- Magazines

Do not include:

- No food soiled paper
- No wet tissues, paper towels or toilet paper



### Glass

- All colors
- Food & beverage containers

### Important:

- Empty & rinse containers
- All recyclables should be placed in the cart
- Place cart 3-5 feet from other containers, mailboxes, or other obstructions.