

City Scape

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TREE GIVE AWAY 2022

The 2022 Tree Give Away is scheduled for Saturday, October 8, 2022, at the Public Works Department located at 1200 Railroad Avenue starting at 8:00AM until 11:00AM. Property owners within Safety Harbor may stop by and pick up two trees.

The following ornamental, flowering, and shade trees will be available:

- Crape Myrtle
Pink, Purple, & White
- Live Oak
- Bald Cypress
- Southern Magnolia
- Red Cedar
- Redbud
- Cedar Elm
- Chinese Pistache
- Chickasaw Plum
- Yaupon Holly
- Walter's Viburnum

Trees are first come first serve so don't forget to arrive early!

For more information, contact City Arborist Ira Padgett at IPadgett@cityofsafetyharbor.com 727-724-1555 x1303.



YARD WASTE REMINDERS

Yard waste is collected in 32-gallon cans or bundles at the curb tied in twine on the same day as your household garbage. Regular yard collection is limited to 8 cans or bundles.



Correctly Prepared



Needs to Be Bundled & Tied



Landscaping Guide Native & Non-Native Species

This landscaping guide by Kiley M. Carlin can be used to help identify key native and non-native species.

Learn how to adapt your garden to be Florida-Friendly. You can view the brochure at: SafetyHarborRecreation.com

Scan QR
FOR BROCHURE



FERTILIZER Ban

June 1 to September 30

Protect our aquatic environment during the rainy season by using Florida-friendly yard products.

For more information:

pinellascounty.org/environment/pdfs/FAQ-Homeowners.pdf



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AROUND SAFETY HARBOR

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS *by: Andrew Portale, Firefighter/Paramedic*

As we approach the autumn season, the City of Safety Harbor Fire Fighters wish to reinforce a critical element of any residential or commercial fire response plan: fire extinguishers. While we preach immediate evacuation and notification of emergency services, we understand there is a time and place when fire extinguishers can provide life safety and/or property conservation. After reading about fire extinguishers below, as well as their appropriate use and maintenance, please consider incorporating this tool into your emergency planning.

There are five types of fire extinguishers that suppress various kinds of fires. For residential purposes, we recommend a multipurpose fire extinguisher often labeled “A-B-C” which is used for ordinary materials, combustible and flammable liquids, and/or electrical equipment. You may be asking yourself, “When is it appropriate to ‘fight fire’ with a portable fire extinguisher?” If you recognize a small fire contained to a trash can or other receptacle, we advise alerting all other occupants, notifying emergency services, and (if comfortable) safely deploying the extinguisher with a means of escape at your back. Industry standards recommend children do not attempt to operate extinguishers. As you operate a fire extinguisher, remember the mnemonic **PASS**.



To ensure a safe and favorable outcome, make certain your extinguisher is easily accessible, the pressure gauge is within normal limits, and the working parts are operable and clean. Remember to read any included guidelines or instructions and incorporate fire extinguishers into your fire drill.

Be safe, Safety Harbor.

HOUSEHOLD ELECTRONIC DISPOSAL UPDATES *by: Renee Cooper, Public Works Director*

Starting on October 1, 2022, there will be changes to Pinellas County’s Department of Solid Waste (DSW)’s Household Electronics and Chemical Collection (HEC3) program. Household electronics will no longer be sent to a private recycler to be recycled but instead sent to the Pinellas County Solid Waste Disposal Complex (which includes the WTE Facility).

Why the change? The majority of household electronics consist of hard plastic casings, which are more likely to be sent from a private recycler to a landfill. The primary recyclable material in household electronics are metals, which can be recovered at the Waste-to-Energy (WTE) Facility and then recycled as well as reducing the amount of plastics to the landfill.

As of October 1, 2022, residential household electronics can be placed in the garbage on the scheduled garbage day. Large bulky electronics will count toward the 10 bulk item limit.

DO NOT place any household electronics that have rechargeable (lithium) batteries in the garbage. These batteries can cause fires in garbage trucks and at the disposal facility. Batteries will still need to be disposed of at the HEC3 Facility or during the HEC3 Mobile collection events.

For more information: pinellascounty.org/solidwaste/hec3/changes.htm



HARBOR HAPPENINGS

SEPTEMBER

CITY MEETINGS

Check cityofsafetyharbor.com for meeting locations

5 All City Facilities Closed - Labor Day

6 City Commission, 7PM

8 Finance Advisory Committee, 6:30PM

13 Library Advisory Committee, 7PM

14 Board of Appeals/Planning & Zoning Board, 6:30PM

19 City Commission, 7PM

21 Code Enforcement Board, 6:30PM

29 Diversity Advisory Board, 6PM

SPECIAL EVENTS

16 3RD Friday Street Celebration (Main Street), 6-10PM

Market on Main

Sundays ↻ 10:00AM-3:00PM ↻ Gazebo

OCTOBER

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SPECIAL EVENTS

8 Superhero 5K (Marina), 8:30AM

8 Tree Give Away (Public Works), 8-11AM

9 Chic Decor Market (Main Street), 10AM-4PM

21 3RD Friday Street Celebration (Main Street), 6-10PM

22 All British Car Show (Main Street), 9AM-3:30PM

28 Jazz on the Waterfront (Waterfront Park), 7-9PM

28 & 29 Fright Nights (Folly Farm), 6-10PM

29 Manufacturing 5K (Marina), 7AM

Looking for a job? Visit cityofsafetyharbor.com/662/employment to check out open positions and to apply. On the job training and schooling is available for certain positions. Please call 727-724-1555 x1401 with questions or assistance in applying.

2022 Quarterly Clean-up

End-of-Summer Clean-up September 12 – 14

What items **WILL** be collected?

- Toilets
- Boxsprings & mattresses
- Scrap metal, please pile separately
- Old appliances, including: washers, dryers, stoves, hot water heaters, microwaves, dishwashers
- Lawn/yard equipment – drained of oil & gas
- Other items must be bundled, bagged, or boxed – under 50 lbs

* Collection occurs only once during the Clean-up cycle, so it is important to place items at the curb by 6:30AM on your **regular** collection day.

If you miss the clean-up day, special pick-ups may be requested, for a fee, by calling Public Works.



Questions, contact Public Works: 724-1550 x2002

CityofSafetyHarbor.com/sanitation

SAFETY HARBOR SHREDS

SAT 9/17 • 8AM - 12PM • FREE

- LIMIT 3 BAGS/BOXES
NO MORE THAN 10 POUNDS
- REMOVE BINDER CLIPS
- NO NEED TO REMOVE PAPER CLIPS
- REGISTER ONLINE AT
SAFETYHARBORRECREATION.COM



WANT TO VOLUNTEER?
CALL 727-724-1562

PUBLIC WORKS • 1200 RAILROAD AVENUE

SAFETY HARBOR PUBLIC LIBRARY

SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH *by: Lisa Kothe, Library Director*



September is Library Card Sign-up Month, when our library joins libraries nationwide to remind residents, parents, caregivers, and students a library card is a free and easy step on the path to academic achievement and lifelong learning. Since not all children have a parent available to sign them up for a card, the library offers a 3 for Me card for ages 4-17.

Providing access to books and e-resources, a library card gives students tools to succeed and provides people of all ages opportunities to pursue their passions. We offer early literacy programs, online language learning, virtual SAT classes, opportunities for obtaining a high school diploma, transforming lives through education. The headquarters of the Deaf Literacy Center of the Pinellas County Library Cooperative is also in our library.

With your library card, you can check-out unique items including over 400 tools for your DIY projects, Wi-Fi hotspots, ukuleles, seeds, museum passes, themed backpacks for youth, STEAM Kits and access to e-resources including the New York Times online, Gale Legal Forms, Ancestry, along with traditional print books and magazines.

If you prefer reading on your device, we have downloadable e-books, audio books, and e-magazines. If your printer at home is not working, no worries, you can print from home and pick up your document at the library using the Princh app. Want movies? Check out hoopla. Looking for documentaries or Great Courses, try Kanopy.

For information on all services available with a library card, visit our website, SafetyHarborLibrary.com, call the Answer Desk at 724-1525 x4112, or email us at shplref@cityofsafetyharbor.com. Your library card is the smartest card in your wallet! We encourage you to get yours and remember, as of October 1, 2021, there are no overdue fines at Pinellas County libraries and to attend programs, a library card is not required.

A poster for a jazz event. It features large orange and yellow circles, a saxophone illustration, and the text 'JAZZ ON THE WATERFRONT'. Details include the date 'FRIDAY - OCTOBER 28' at '7:00 PM', 'FREE EVENT! BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR', 'FEATURING VOICES OF JAZZ' specializing in classic big band era jazz, swing, and modern arrangements, and 'FOOD TRUCKS & BEVERAGES'. The event is at 'SAFETY HARBOR PUBLIC LIBRARY'. Logos for 'Proceed's Benefit', 'SHIP LE', 'SAFETY HARBOR PUBLIC Library FOUNDATION', and 'Building a Legacy for the Future' are at the bottom.

A poster for a book sale. It features a photo of bookshelves with a crane silhouette and the text 'Friends of the Safety Harbor Library'. The main text reads 'Book Sale' in blue script, 'Saturday, September 10' in red script, and '9:00 am - 3:00 pm' in teal script. It lists 'GREAT SELECTION OF BOOKS IN ALL GENRES, CDS, DVDS, ANTIQUE BOOKS & MORE.' and 'MOST ITEMS ONLY \$1.00 EACH! CASH, CREDIT, OR CHECK.' The sale is located in the 'LIBRARY MEETING ROOM' at '101 2ND STREET N. SAFETY HARBOR, FL 34695'. A note states 'ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT LIBRARY PROGRAMS.'

Children's Programs

STORY TOTS: (AGES 19 MONTHS TO 4 YEARS)
MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS, 10:30 AM.

BABY & ME STORY TIME: (AGES 18 MONTHS AND UNDER)
THURSDAYS, 10:00 AM.

LEGO LEAGUE: (AGES 3-10) THURSDAYS, 3:30 - 5:30 PM.

ERIC CARLE STORY TIME PARTY: (AGES 2-4) WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 21, 11:00 AM.

LET'S LEARN ABOUT BEES: (FAMILY) SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 11:00 AM.

WEE DISCOVERIES: (AGES 5 & UNDER) TUESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 27 &
OCTOBER 25, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM.

*MONDAY FUNDAY: (AGES 4-8) MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 4:00 PM.

BILINGUAL/SPANISH STORY TIME: (AGES 8 & UNDER) FRIDAYS, SEPTEMBER 16 &
OCTOBER 21, 10:30 AM.

*PAINT A MINI PUMPKIN: (AGES 4-8) MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 4:00 PM.

UKULELE SING-ALONG: (AGES 0-5) SATURDAYS,
SEPTEMBER 10 & OCTOBER 8, 10:30 AM.



*REGISTRATION REQUIRED
REGISTER AT
EVENTS.SAFETYHARBORLIBRARY.ORG

Tween Library Programs Ages 9-12

Homework Help: (Grades K-8) Tuesdays &
Wednesdays, 3:00-6:00 p.m.

*Tween Graphic Novel Book Club: 9/13, 5:30 pm

*Tween Tie Dye in the Art Park: 9/17, 11:00 am

*Tween Oreo Taste Test Challenge: 9/20, 5:30 pm

*Tween Painting Program: 9/27, 5:00 pm

*Tween Paint a Mini Pumpkin:

10/18, 5:30 pm

*Tween Halloween

Cupcake Wars: 10/25,
5:30 pm



*Registration Required
Register at events.safetyharborlibrary.com

TEEN LIBRARY PROGRAMS AGES 13 - 18



Teen Cooking: 9/7 & 10/5, 5:00 PM *

Teen Led Botanical Club:
9/8 & 10/6, 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Teen Led Book Club:
9/12, 9/26, 10/10, & 10/24, 5:00 - 6:00 PM

Teen Rainbow Room:
9/14 & 10/12, 5:00 - 6:00 PM

Teen Tie Dye in the Art Park:
9/17, 12:00 PM* (weather permitting)

Teen Hot Chip Taste Test: 9/21, 5:00 PM *

Teen Fairy House: 9/28, 5:00 PM *

Teen Pumpkin Painting: 10/19, 5:00 PM*

Teen Crystal Wrapping: 10/26, 5:00 PM*



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LIBRARY EVENTS FOR ADULTS

Cinematic Guitar Poetry
Performance by Hiroya Tsukamoto
9/3 | 2:00 pm

Living in the Sunshine
A Nan Colton Performance
10/6 | 6:30 pm

Book Sale
9/10 | 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Images of America:
Safety Harbor

The Buzz About the Bees
9/15 | 6:30 pm

Laura Kepner Book Release
10/11 | 6:30 pm

SHINE Medicare Basics
9/29 | 6:30 pm

Karaoke Night
10/13 | 6:30 pm

Saturday Movie Matinee
9/24 & 10/15 | 2:00 pm

Jazz on the Waterfront
10/28 | 7:00 - 9:00 pm

*Registration Required

Visit SafetyHarborLibrary.com for a complete listing
of events and register for our programs.

SAFETY HARBOR RECREATION

BIO BLITZ: PARKS FOR POLLINATORS *by Autumn Reich, Recreation Supervisor*



What is a BioBlitz? It's a month-long event supported by your local parks where community members use the iNaturalist app to create a snapshot of the variety of plants and pollinators at Folly Farm and Mullet Creek Park.

Join the City of Safety Harbor and parks throughout the country in a fun challenge to see how many pollinator species can be documented this September. It is easy to participate by joining an event or making observations on your own, using the iNaturalist app. With the iNaturalist app, you simply take a picture of a pollinator (bee, butterfly, bat, etc.) or plant, and the online community will help identify the species. You can participate by exploring the nature and wildlife in the Folly Farm Nature Preserve and Mullet Creek Park. Any observation you make will count during our event. The data collected will help our partner, Safety Harbor Garden Club, in planning and monitoring the pollinator corridor between Folly Farm Nature Preserve and Mullet Creek Park.

Park and recreation agencies from across the country will be hosting Parks for Pollinators BioBlitz events throughout the month. You can learn more about the Parks for Pollinators initiative and see which agencies are participating by visiting nrpa.org/bioblitz. The Parks for Pollinators BioBlitz is organized by the National Recreation and Park Association.

To kick off the event, come out to Folly Farm on September 9, at 7:30PM for Films at Folly featuring *Flight of the Butterflies*, a documentary following one of the longest migrations on Earth.

In addition to Films at Folly, Safety Harbor Recreation has more one-time events to go along with the BioBlitz:

Films at Folly

Friday, 9/9, 7:30PM, Free

Nocturnal Pollinator Party

Friday, 9/9, 9–10PM, Free

Pickin' in the Park

Friday, 9/23 6:30–9PM, Free

Wetlands Expo

Saturday, 9/24, 9AM–12PM, Free

**Friday,
Sep. 9th
7:30pm**

*Films
@
Folly*

Flight of the Butterflies
a documentary following one
of the longest migrations on Earth!

**Bring your chair or blanket
to Folly Farm for this FREE viewing.***

**PICKIN'
IN THE
PARK**

Folly Farm Nature Preserve
1538 Dr. MLK Jr. St. N., Safety Harbor
safetyharborrecreation.com

**September 23rd
6:30-9:00PM**

Sandy Back Porch Bluegrass
Vendors
MUSIC

RECREATION EVENTS & PROGRAMS

YOUTH

Kitchen Kidz

Thu. 9/1-9/15, 5:15-6:15PM, Ages: 7-11, \$35, Rigsby
Thu. 10/13-10/27, 5:15-6:15PM, Ages: 7-11, \$35, Rigsby

Color Express After School Painting

Thu. 9/8-9/29, 3:30-4:30PM, Ages: 6-12, \$99, Museum
Thu. 10/6-10/27, 3:30-4:30PM, Ages: 6-12, \$99, Museum

Parent/Child Painting

Sat. 9/10, 1-2PM, All Ages, \$25, Museum
Sat. 10/8, 1-2PM, All Ages, \$25, Museum

Smart Adventure Kidz

Fri. 9/16, 5:30-7:30PM, Ages: 4-8, \$5, Folly Farm

Kulinary Kids

Thu. 9/22-10/6, 5:15-6:15PM, Ages: 9-12, \$35, Rigsby
Thu. 11/3-11/17, 5:15-6:15PM, Ages: 9-12, \$35, Rigsby

Youth Naturalist

Tue. 10/4-10/25, 5-7PM, Ages: 10-14, \$50, Folly Farm
Tue. 11/1-11/29, 5-7PM, Ages: 10-14, \$50, Folly Farm

ADULTS

Intro to Carpentry for Women

Tue. 9/6-9/27, 5:30-8PM, Ages: 18+, \$450, Folly Farm

K9 Academy

Sat. 9/10-10/15, 8:30-9:30AM, Ages: 16+, \$70, North City Park
Sat. 10/29-12/10, 8:30-9:30AM, Ages: 16+, \$70, North City Park

Puppy Preschool

Sat. 9/10-10/15, 9:45-10:45AM, Ages: 16+, \$70, North City Park
Sat. 10/29-12/10, 9:45-10:45AM, Ages: 16+, \$70, North City Park

Floral Design Class

Tue. 9/13, 1-2:30PM, Ages: 21+, \$6, Museum
Tue. 10/11, 1-2:30PM, Ages: 21+, \$6, Museum

Blacklight Bingo

Fri. 9/23, 7-9PM, Adults, \$6, Museum

Healthy Cooking Workshops

Sat. 9/24, 1-3PM, Ages: 16+, \$45, Museum
Sat. 10/22, 1-3PM, Ages: 16+, \$45, Museum

Vertical Garden workshop

Thu. 10/13, 10-11:30AM, Ages: 14+, \$25, Folly Farm

For full list of Recreation events, classes, and programs: SAFETYHARBORRECREATION.COM



Barktoberfest

🍌 Saturday
🍌 Oct. 22
🍌 10am-12pm

@SHCP Dog Park
Costume Contest!

trick or treat!

Safety Harbor City Park
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safetyharborrecreation.com

connect with us...
search: safety harbor recreation
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Recreation Events & Leisure
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Fright Nights at Folly Farm

Two nights of frightful fun!
10/28, 10/29 6:30-10pm

Fall Themed Activities
Haunted Trail
not suggested for young children
Campfire, And More

Visit only if you DARE!

Tickets Available at
SafetyHarborRecreation.com \$5

Volunteer Meeting
10/24, 6pm
Folly Farm Gazebo

Parking & Free Shuttle at the corner of Elm & Cedar Streets

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The City of Safety Harbor is a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program/Community Rating System (NFIP/CRS).

Flood Zone Information

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.

Outside Agency Funding

The City of Safety Harbor is taking requests for outside agency funding. To be considered, funding requests must be returned to the City no later than September 30, 2022.

The application can be found online on the homepage of cityofsafetyharbor.com.



HELP PREVENT SEWER BACKUPS

PROTECTING OUR SEWERS IS A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Keep our water clean, protect public health, and avoid expensive repairs



UNDERSTANDING FOG (FAT, OILS AND GREASE)



Never pour Fat, Oils, or Grease (FOG) products down the drain.

As cooking byproducts, FOG regularly get washed down kitchen drains causing clogs and sewer blockages.

DON'T BE RESPONSIBLE FOR A CLOG!

Keep fats, oils, dairy products, grease, and greasy foods out of the sink and the garbage disposal.



SAVE THE PIPES

Wet wipes, personal hygiene products, and other household waste should not be flushed.



DON'T FLUSH WIPES!

Never flush "Flushable" wipes. Even if products are marketed as "flushable," "disposable," or "sewer-and-septic-safe," wipes should never be flushed.

City of Safety Harbor

celebrates diversity

NATIONAL HISPANIC-LATINO HERITAGE MONTH

September 15 to October 15

Safety Harbor Diversity Advisory Board