
St. George Island Civic Club

NEWSLETTER

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Next meeting: March 15, 2007
6:30pm Social -- 7:00pm Dinner -- 7:30pm Meeting
At the Fire Station, 317 East Pine

Hosts: Vito & Jackie Bell and Bob & Kaye Gill
Please bring a covered dish to share.

Program on Our Local Seafood Industry



The speaker at this month's Civic Club meeting is Dave McLain, Coordinator for the Franklin County Oyster & Seafood Task Force and Adviser to the Franklin County Seafood Workers Association. His topic will be "Sustainable Commercial Seafood."

Dave will have a slide show, and there will be a question and answer session.

Happenings This Month

March 17: Eastpoint Volunteer Fire Department's Rib Cook-off

Mar 21: ANERR Stargazing program at St. George State Park – 653-8063

Mar 23-24: St. George Island's Rock by the Sea benefit www.rockbythesea.com

Mar 24: Historic Apalachicola Art Walk - 653-9419

Summary of February's Meeting

We had 90 people at the February 15, 2007, meeting and enjoyed excellent fellowship and a fantastic potluck dinner.

Dee Grinenko won the 50/50 drawing and donated the winnings to the Civic Club.

Plans and needs for the upcoming Chili Cook-off were announced by Jayne Bamberg, President. The golf tournament, 5K run, chili judging events, and sponsorship opportunities were discussed.

Our speaker was Tim Croft, editor of the Apalachicola and Carrabelle Times and the Port St. Joe Star. He gave an interesting talk that included a discussion of the libertarian nature of his newspapers, and his wish for community involvement in reporting the news. His goal is to make the local community aspect of the news the centerpiece of the paper, and further coordination with the website for in-depth reporting is underway.

Project Reports



Bruce Hall reports that the St. George Island Civic Club volunteers have completed the second dune walkover (picture above, thank you, Bruce!) and have started a third. In the picture above of the West 5th Street walkover, you can also see some of the sand dune fencing built in the first phase of the grant.

The third walkover will be at the East 5th Street public access. "We are getting lots of compliments on the walkovers and beach goers are using them. This phase of the project is progressing really well," Bruce said.

Mason Bean continues to gather and lead the volunteer

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New Trash Company on the Island

Waste Pro has recently begun service for trash pick up on St. George. E. Ralph Mills, Regional Vice President of Waste Pro, will be at this Thursday's meeting, to give a short talk on his company's new presence in our community.

Looking Forward

Our April meeting is on April 19, 2007.

Thanks to Boardwalk Realty of Northwest Florida for production of this newsletter.

Tim's comments to the group at the end of the question and answer period were really interesting. He told us that he had learned a lot from being at the meeting with us, hearing about our activities and projects. He said that even though he had heard that there was no "community" on St. George Island, he now knew that that was wrong. Tim said that he was impressed by the turnout for our meeting, as well as the number and nature of the activities we had going on, and he would like to see more coverage of this in the newspaper.

Other announcements at the meeting included a brief report from Gail Riegelmayr on the P&Z meeting and plans for two new developments being considered: 1- for St. George Island in the block where the St. George Inn is, and 2- in Eastpoint along the waterfront and on the north side of US 98.

Paul Riegelmayr announced a meeting of the Concerned Citizens of Franklin County on March 22 at 7pm at the Eastpoint Fire Station.

team on Saturday mornings. Contact Mason at (850) 653-6734.

Planting the vegetation has been delayed, and a new supplier for the plants has now been found. The sea oats that will be planted are grown from St. George Island seed.

Planting is tentatively scheduled for March 10, March 17, and March 24. Call Bill Kollar at (850) 566-0202 or Bruce Hall at (850) 653-3820.

The garbage and sign committee has made significant progress, and will be reporting on their activities at the meeting on Thursday.

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