

The East Pompano Civic Association

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By Dawne Richards

Welcome to the September 2010 edition of the East Pompano Civic Association newsletter! This summer, we enjoyed the terrific Movies Under the Stars, Music Under the Stars, and all of the events which took place in Pompano Beach this summer. As we head into fall, to paraphrase our August newsletter, there will be so many things to do – many of them free – that boredom is simply not an option!

If you've got ideas, questions, or concerns, drop us a line, visit our website, or give us a call.

As always, if you'd like to include news of an event in our newsletter, please let us know.

Don't forget that the East Pompano Civic Association is now collecting dues! \$5 a year - a bargain at twice the price!



And don't forget our online store! Items start at \$4.00. Support our efforts in a new way!
<http://www.cafepress.com/epca>

A special thank-you goes to William Meleski, proprietor of Greight Spaces, a residential design firm in the Boulevard Building at 2611 East Atlantic Boulevard. As you may know, William recently began hosting "An Evening of Artists" at Greight Spaces. Having recently attended the August event, we can attest to the tremendous interest in the arts in our community, and the fabulous job done by William and his staff. August's event included live music by Chris Siren and friends, and it was a delightful evening. The next Evening will be in October; stay tuned for more details.

The City's events calendar is also filling up as we head into the cooler months. Note that the "Movie Under the Stars" showing of Avatar originally scheduled for Friday, September 3, has been rescheduled to Friday, November 5, at 8:30 pm at Four Fields in Pompano Community Park. This free screening of Avatar should prove to be a wonderful family evening.

Look for many seasonally themed events in October, November and December.

You can learn more on the City's Events page at <http://www.mypompanobeach.org/events/index.html> or by calling 954-786-4111.

Remember, you can note your concerns about City issues at http://www.seeclifix.com/watch_area/2137

Member Updates

William and Shannon Meleski:

Hanging the walls of Greight Spaces with art, and devoting their precious free time to bring all of us "Evenings of Artists" on a regular basis. Thanks so much!

Gerri Ann Capotosto:

Working hard to bring public art to our corner of paradise.

Sherine Bichara:

Enjoying seeing her oldest child begin kindergarten at terrific McNab Elementary, and managing to attend City and CRA meetings now that her children are a bit more grown up. It's great to see you!

To learn more about our group, you can contact us in several ways:

Visit us on the web: www.eastpompanocivicassociation.com

Send us an email: dawnerichards@eastpompanocivicassociation.com

Send us a note: 3304 SE 4th Street #6, Pompano Beach, FL 33062.

Give us a call: 954-707-2997.

Important City meetings:

The August break has ended, and September brings us into full progress mode!

Wednesday September 1 9:00 am:

Development Review Committee

Commission Chambers Conference Room

Thursday September 2, 6:00 pm:

East CRA Advisory Committee

Emma Lou Olson Civic Center

Friday September 3, 9:00 am:

Selection/Evaluation Committee to Evaluate the Proposals received for H-53-10 Turnkey Code Compliance Service Program

City Hall, Fourth Floor Conference Room

Wednesday September 8, 6:00 pm:

Downtown Pompano Beach Workshop

E. Pat Larkins Civic Center

Tuesday September 14, 7:00 pm:

City Commission Meeting

City Commission Chambers

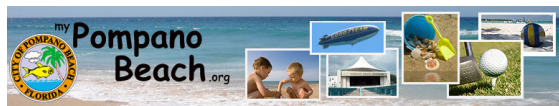
Thursday September 16, 10:00 am:

Phase 1 of the Public Branding Initiative with Wilesmith Advertising/Design

City Commission Chambers

To keep up with City meetings or to learn which meetings are carried live on Channel 78, visit <http://www.mypompanobeach.org> and click on "Meetings."

Remember, it's our City – let's get going!



Fill the boot: This has to be one of the worthiest ways to spend a small part of your Labor Day Weekend!

As seen in the Pompano Pelican August 28 issue:

On Sept. 4 the Broward Sheriff's Office, Pompano Beach Fire Rescue and Security Self Storage will host a charity fundraiser barbecue for Toys for Tots, Cell Phones for Soldiers, and the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The fundraiser will be held at Security Self Storage, 2320 NE 5 Ave. in Pompano Beach, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

BSO officers have donated the grill and volunteered for barbecue duty; fire rescue personnel will be collecting funds through their "Fill-the-Boot" campaign.

Other supporters include 97.9 WRMF. Among the raffle prizes will be six months of free storage; in addition, Security Self Storage will donate the first month's rent from rentals purchased on Sept. 4 to one of the charities benefiting from the event. Everyone who attends can enjoy free food, music, networking and giveaways. For more information, visit www.securityselfstoragefl.com.



Quote of the month . . .

"The pessimist complains about the wind. The optimist expects it to change. The leader adjusts the sails."

John Maxwell

This month's trivia question:

Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church was one of the first new churches established in Pompano following the end of the Second World War. It was created on July 18, 1946. What was the name of its first pastor, who served from 1946 through 1963?

Special thanks to the Pompano Beach Historical Society for this question – and its answer! Visit the Historical Society at <http://www.pompanohistory.com>.

Answers must be received by midnight September 30. You can email your answer to dawnerichards@eastpompanocivicassociation.com, or mail it to: East Pompano Civic Association, 3304 SE 4th Street #6, Pompano Beach, FL 33062. Winners will be featured in a future newsletter.

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Upcoming Events Around Town

Surf's up, as we head into a more active part of the storm season! Here are just some of the events taking place this month in our fair city:

- Every Sunday at 8:30 am: **FREE Surf lessons from Surf World Surf Shop!** This is an amazing experience. For store hours and other info, call (954) 545-SURF. The store is located at 435 S. Federal Hwy.
- Every Wednesday, 7:00 am to 9:00 am: **FREE Coffee and Sweets at Greight Spaces!** Come by 2611 Atlantic Boulevard (the Boulevard Building, in the Harbor Village Shops), for a cup of coffee or a delicious bite, or both! And don't forget - there's generally fab artwork on the walls! It's a Greight way to start your day!
- Wednesday September 1, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm: **Greater Pompano Beach Chamber of Commerce Business to Business Expo.** Come to Pompano Citi Centre to network with many local business professionals. And be sure to stop by the East Pompano Civic Association table! Contact the Pompano Beach Chamber at (954) 941-2940 to become an exhibitor, purchase tickets, or learn more.
- Friday September 3, 8:15 pm: **Movies Under the Stars.** Come to the Amphitheatre and enjoy the last in this series of our brand-new family event; thanks, Parks & Recreation! For more information call 954.786.4111.
- Saturday, September 11, 10:00 am – 10:30 am: **East Pompano Civic Association/Greater Pompano Beach Chamber of Commerce Second Saturday Schmooze and Spruce-Up.** Come speed-clean Atlantic Boulevard, and network while you work! Attention students: community service hours available. Meet at McNab Park, 2200 East Atlantic Boulevard.
- Friday September 17, 8:30 am to filled: **Table reservations for Granny's Attic.** Cost: \$20 for a 6 foot table & \$25 for an 8 foot table. For information call 954.786.4111.
- Monday September 20, 7:00 pm: **Monthly East Pompano Civic Association meeting.** Come learn about what's happening in our town! Meetings are held at the Greater Pompano Beach Chamber of Commerce, 2200 East Atlantic Boulevard. As always, refreshments will be served.

A Sneak Peek at the Fall

- ✚ **October 9, 7:00 pm: Casino Night – A Night at the Speakeasy. Join us at this first Pompano Beach Historical Society fundraiser of the season.** "A Night at the Speakeasy" will be a night filled with Dinner and Casino Gaming and plenty of original Pompano stories. Period attire welcome. Ticket price includes Dinner, Wine, Music and 250 Casino Chips to be wagered on original tables from Caesar's Palace. Donation \$125.00 per person. Winners will take home a variety of prizes and gifts. To purchase tickets, donate a prize, or sponsor a gambling table please phone William at 954-461-7418. The Pompano Beach Historical Society is a not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) organization.
- ✚ **Opening of the Pompano Beach Green Market's 2010-2011 season, Saturday October 30.** Look for new vendors and lots more!

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This month's issue is brought to you by the ever-supportive Stu Goodwin, Century 21 Realty. As always, thank you, Mr. Goodwin!



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