

# Island Parks Insider



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## President's Message

*By Barry Metcalfe, President  
Friends of the Island Parks*

The cooler nights are finally here and the cooler days are sure to follow. With this change we can welcome those returning from the frozen North to be embraced by the warmth of our weather and our hospitality. Welcome back to all our returning Friends.

With these cooler days we also see more activity in the Parks with Halloween at the end of October and a new event for the Park in November. We have been approached by **Ragnar Relay** who are keen to increase their successful relay race program to include a cross Florida race Gulf coast to Atlantic. (visit the website, [www.ragnarrelay.com](http://www.ragnarrelay.com), for more information). Approx 75 Teams of 12 runners will set off from Honeymoon Island on the 14<sup>th</sup> November to run relay to Daytona Beach, 191 miles. Obviously not the most direct route, they will turn North out for Honeymoon to New port Richey then across the lower end of Ocala National Forrest! Set up will be Thursday evening and the runners will set off at scheduled intervals from around 5.00am Friday morning (14<sup>th</sup> November). We are looking for volunteers from 5.00pm to 10.00pm on the Thursday and from 4.00am till 12.00 noon on the Friday; so if you have ever wondered what the park was like after dark or before dawn now is your chance. The duties will all be light duty work, generally ensuring the safety of the runners and the security of the Park. Please call me if you are interested. It will not be necessary to volunteer for the whole 8 hours you will be welcome to contribute whatever suits you.

This year our monthly membership meetings have been gaining more and more popularity due to the innovative program created by our Membership committee. Space is becoming an issue, but what a nice problem to have! The program is extremely varied so come along and learn a little, socialize a lot and enjoy the evening.

In accordance with the Friends bylaws your new Board will be elected on 6<sup>th</sup> December at our Annual meeting which we combine with our annual party. We will be seeking nominations prior to November 18<sup>th</sup>. Any new nominations please submit to the Nomination Committee with personal bio.

Be sure to make the most of your membership and enjoy the Park for free once every month; join with others to volunteer at the special events or on a regular basis and help showcase our Parks to all our visitors.

## Park Manager's Report

*By Pete Krulder, Park Manager*

Fall has finally arrived. If you are out in the middle of the day in the heat you might not think so, but the nights are getting cooler and the humidity is finally dropping. It is a great time to get out and about in the park. I hiked the Osprey Trail this past Monday and noticed a lot of birds have already returned. Of special note was a pair of Bald Eagles and a Kestrel. Many of the wildflowers have also started to bloom and my very favorite animal in the park the Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake is starting to be seen slithering about after spending the summer hiding from the heat.

On Tuesday evening I had another special evening with the Grand Opening of **Robert La Follette's** photographic display at the Nature Center. It was a super turnout of Friends. Robert's work depicts Honeymoon Island and all of its natural beauty. He will be conducting several workshops on outdoor photography over the next several months. Robert has agreed to donate part of the proceeds from the sale of his pictures and workshop fee to the Friends of the Islands. Thank you Robert.

I also want to extend my thanks to the **Membership Committee** for the outstanding job they have done

over the last several months. We have had a substantial increase in members and much of it has to do with the efforts of this committee. The members events they have planned, whether it was the chocolate buffet (my favorite) or the wine and cheese event have been great and shows off our Nature Center and what a fun diverse organization we have.

A lot of things are in the works at Honeymoon Island. Construction of the new café facility is beginning. The planning stages for the next beach nourishment project are on-going and plans are in the works to relocate bathhouse three to the back of the parking lot so it will no longer be at the mercy of high surf. We also have a new park entrance sign on order and will be doing some work to make the park entrance more appealing.

I want to welcome back all of our volunteers who are returning from their summer spent up north. We missed you and saved plenty of work for your return. Please get with **Tim Marshall** or **Karen Malo** and I am sure they have something for you. We could not possibly do all we do here at the parks without the efforts of all of the Friends and volunteers. Thank you.

See you around the park.

Pete

## **Presenting Sponsor Highlight The Sandpearl Resort and Spa: A Natural Gem**

***By Marianne Klingel, Resort Naturalist***

Create. Explore. Enjoy! That is the spirit of the Sandpearl Resort and Spa on Clearwater Beach, an elegant beach retreat built by noted west central Florida developer, JMC Communities. Since opening in August 2007, the 253-room resort has focused not only on providing excellent service to our guests, but also on honoring the rich history and diverse marine environment of Clearwater Beach and its neighbors, Caladesi Island and Honeymoon Island State Parks.

This philosophy is evident upon entering the Sandpearl's lobby. From the horse conch chandeliers and tropical upholstery fabrics to a show-stopping view of the Gulf of Mexico, you know you have stepped out of the ordinary! Since its inception, the foundation of the Sandpearl Resort has been the pristine beauty of Clearwater Beach. Christopher Still's original paintings on the lobby walls celebrate that beauty as well

as the legacy of the Scharrers, the early homesteaders of Caladesi Island.

Putting this vision into action, Sandpearl Resort and JMC Communities became joint sponsors of Friends of the Islands in 2008 to help support the Friends' fundraising events, education initiatives, and conservation programs. Sandpearl Resort's General Manager Stuart Arp states, "We are pleased to partner with such a worthwhile organization. The Friends embody Sandpearl's dedication to the conservation of our natural resources."

Sandpearl Resort and Spa was designed to be LEED Certified (Leadership in Environmental Design) and is expected to receive its certificate from the US Green Building Council in November. Its energy-conserving designs and practices include a state of the art chilled water air-conditioning system that provides significant energy savings, cut-off systems on sliding doors that prevent waste when guests open their rooms to gulf breezes, and special glazing on windows and doors which provide a high level of UV protection and improved insulation and comfort.

In the swimming pool, a geothermal heating system uses the absorbed heat of the earth to warm its waters. An ozone sanitizing system holds fewer chemicals and eliminates chlorine smell and eye irritation. Throughout the resort, water-saving faucets, toilets, showers, laundry facilities and irrigation systems save thousands of gallons each year. All parking is located under the building, reducing the heat gain from asphalt parking lots. The food and beverage outlets use only biodegradable packaging and feature free-range and organic foods. And of course, recycling is in place throughout the resort.

In addition to its environmental initiatives, Sandpearl offers life-enriching programs designed to bring guests into balance with nature. The ranger-guided birding walks at Honeymoon Island are a great example of these programs, and we are most appreciative of Tim Marshall's time, energy and knowledge during the tours! Barry and Melanie Metcalf's pool-side presentations also have been greatly enjoyed by our guests. Other enrichment programs such as naturalist-led beach walks, kayak trips, marine cruises, tours of local aquariums and wildlife rehabilitation centers, and touch tank presentations guide our guests to a deeper understanding and appreciation of nature. Speaking personally as a Florida native, it is very meaningful to provide guests with a chance to experience the "Real Florida," share unique adventures and make special memories.  
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Sandpearl's Camp Ridley, for kids ages 5 to 10 years, continues the nature theme with animal arts and crafts, nature scavenger hunts, and Tocobago Indian lore. Two aquariums in the camp allow kids to get "hands-on" as they learn about local critters such as sea urchins, whelk snails, and hermit crabs. Special theme days teach about dolphins, sea turtles and other Florida natives in a fun and interesting way. Perhaps the truest measure of Sandpearl success may be the number of young adults who come to care about preserving animals and their environment as a result of time spent in Camp Ridley.

On behalf of all the Sandpearl staff, I would like to thank the dedicated employees and volunteers of Honeymoon Island and Caladesi Island State Parks who work to maintain and enhance the beach beauty we are so lucky to enjoy every day. We are proud to be your neighbors and look forward to working with you on our mutual missions for years to come.

## Rotary Centennial Nature Center Junonia Treasure

*By Tim Marshall, Facility Coordinator*

An elated park visitor, Joan Boland Found a 3 1/2" Junonia shell in very good condition, with only one small nick on the edge of the lip opening. It was found on the north beach near bath house #3. Joan excitedly reported her find at the Nature Center, and we immediately photographed it, and recorded the find.



### Center Hours / Information

**Hours:** Daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
**Phone:** 727-738-2903  
**Email:** [info@islandparks.org](mailto:info@islandparks.org)  
**Website:** [www.islandparks.org/naturecenter](http://www.islandparks.org/naturecenter)  
**Contact:** Tim Marshall, Coordinator

## Volunteer Spotlight

*By Karen Malo, Park Services Specialist*

As the old saying goes, "Birds of a feather flock together". Although we see it differently here on the island with spoonbills, egrets and other birds wading in the same area foraging for food. The advantages of volunteering go far beyond service. Getting together with other volunteers socially increases our quality of life while helping our community. One of the best benefits to volunteering can be the enduring friendships we make along the way. It's only natural, that we would want to associate with those with common interests and values.



Pictured above **Jean Sibbald, Marlene Szabo, Ron Doyon, Mary Kemp, Maria Christakos, Sally Dacy** and toll collector **Vince Palazzolo** had a picnic in the park in June. Volunteers also get together to kayak, visit other parks and socialize. The fact that volunteers are doing something they care so much about that they would do it for free makes a strong statement and makes for strong friendships. I have seen many great friendships form over the years as a result of volunteering both here at the park and in my own personal experiences as a volunteer. I also feel a connection with the wonderful and dedicated volunteers who give so selflessly to help the environment which I care so much about! An upcoming opportunity to get together with volunteers from our parks as well as those from other parks in our district will be on Saturday, February 21st at Koreshan State Park. Watch your e mail and the bulletin boards in the shop and the nature center for an invitation which will be out in November. Other opportunities to help out and make some new friends this fall are as follows:

### November

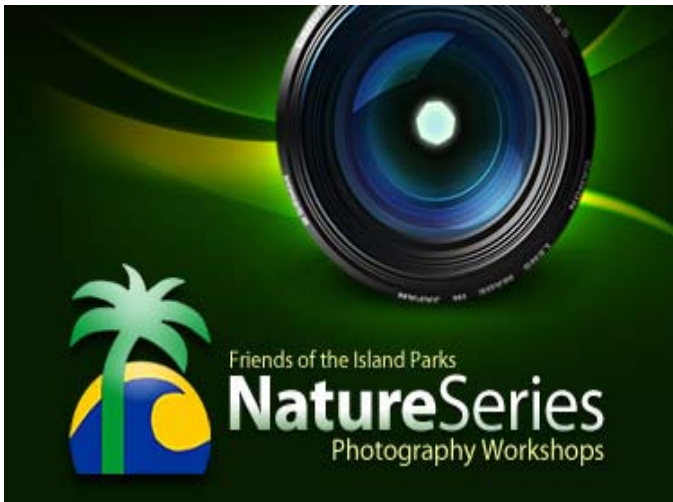
Wednesday, 11/13 and Thurs. 11/14 LIFE Program-  
Learning in Florida's Environment (LIFE) Program-

volunteers needed from 9 AM to 3 PM to assist middle school students in making observations and filling out data sheets. Students from Kennedy Middle School will be here for field experiences where they will be doing labs, forming a hypothesis, making observations and collecting data using the park as their outdoor classroom. Pack a lunch and dress for the weather. If interested, let Karen know-I will send you the labs so you can look at them ahead of time and we will also go over them in the morning before the students arrive.

Sat. 11/15-America Recycles Day at Nature Center-we are hosting with City of Dunedin -volunteers needed to dress up as Trash Monster and do a skit(script provided) about litter, also may need some help with some recycling games(using ones from Earth Day, Halloween)

Wed. 11/19-Great American Teach In-volunteers must be trained and pre-approved by park management to assist with programs at schools  
- Thank You!

## Photography Exhibit at the Rotary Centennial Nature Center PHOTOGRAPHER ROBERT LAFOLLETTE



We are pleased to announce that photographer **Robert L Follette** has partnered with the **Friends of the Island Parks** and the **Rotary Centennial Nature Center at Honeymoon Island State Park** to conduct a series of exciting and one-of-a-kind **Nature Series Photography Workshops**. These workshops are for the beginner to the advanced photographer, and will be on specific subjects that I know you will enjoy. Each workshop or lecture will be held at Honeymoon Island, and will offer a wealth of information, tips, tricks and techniques.

Here is the list of upcoming workshops and lectures scheduled, with lots more in development that will cover a wide variety of subjects:

**Tuesday, November 18, 2008**

### **Wildlife 101 Lecture**

Based on the award winning article I wrote that appeared in Florida Wildlife Magazine, you will learn the "Top 10 Tips" for finding, identifying and photographing birds and wildlife on Honeymoon Island. This lecture will give you the knowledge and skills to make photograph amazing wildlife photos. 4:30pm at the Rotary Centennial Nature Center

**Saturday, November 22, 2008**

### **HDR Photography Workshop and Lecture**

With the explosion of digital photography, one of the most exciting new photography techniques that has everyone talking is HDR (High Dynamic Range) photography. If you are curious about this subject, or maybe you have tried it already and want to learn the secrets on how to get the most out of this technique, then this workshop is for you. 1pm at the Rotary Centennial Nature Center

**Saturday, January 10, 2009**

### **Birds of Honeymoon Workshop**

Honeymoon Island is home to some of the most diverse and beautiful birds, including one of the largest populations of Osprey in the Slash Pine forests on the gulf coast. This is the perfect time to learn how to photograph these beautiful birds, as well as songbirds, Great Horned Owls and many of the others that call this slice of paradise home. 3pm at the Start of the Osprey Trail

### **Registration Information**

Each workshop or lecture will run about two hours in length, and each will cost the low price of \$50. If you are interested in signing up for any of these exciting workshops or lectures, or if you have any questions and want to learn more about them, simply drop me an email with the one you are interested in at [robert@robertlafollette.com](mailto:robert@robertlafollette.com) Class size is limited, so don't miss out on these exciting workshops!

*"I am excited about the upcoming series of workshops and exclusive photo gallery at the Rotary Centennial Nature Center at Honeymoon Island. The Friends of the Island Parks is a fantastic organization in helping protect, preserve and educate about the natural beauty of my favorite park. To learn more about the Rotary Centennial Nature Center at Honeymoon Island, as well as more information on the Friends of the Islands Park, check out [www.islandparks.org](http://www.islandparks.org). "*



Dunedin  
Osprey  
Cam

## Lights, Cameras, Osprey!

**By Tim Marshall, Nature Center Coordinator**

Times are changing for all of us, and for one local Osprey family, life goes on, yet they are about to embrace technology and raise their young amongst the techni-generation.

You can tune in to this reality programming 24/7 via [www.dunedinospreycam.com](http://www.dunedinospreycam.com). The camera is the brainchild of our own **Sparky Jones**, who works as a Rotary Centennial Nature Center volunteer. Once word got out in the community, Sparky got support along the way as she worked out the logistics. The project was recently featured in the Suncoast News, and is backed by the City of Dunedin, St Andrews Links, and a long list of private supporters. For more information, visit the website. The cameras go live this fall, so be sure to bookmark the site.

## “Celebrate the Islands”

*Honeymoon and Caladesi Islands are rare, 7000 year old natural barrier islands that are basically undeveloped. Visitors have the opportunity to enjoy a taste of Florida's original coast, to see many types of wildlife that depend on these ecosystems and to learn about this environment that needs to be protected.*

*Ospreys make the islands their year-round home, loggerhead turtles lay eggs on the beaches, egrets wade in sea grasses while manatees and dolphins swim in the surrounding waters, giving us all cause to celebrate this natural environment.*

*Thank you in advance for your generous support – it means so much! With your help we can expand our ability to educate, entertain and enlighten visitors in regards to preservation of these marvelous, rare and delicate barrier islands for generations to come!*

*It's all about creating connections – to nature, to our neighborhoods, to our community. So, we invite you to come “Celebrate with Friends” and establish a connection with us and with your environment.*

*Regards from Friends of the Island Parks*

## Holiday Savings at the Rotary Centennial Nature Center



**Special discounts for Friends Members!**

Stop in anytime between November 1<sup>st</sup> and November 20<sup>th</sup> to receive a complimentary 10% Discount on all Friends Merchandise. Please present your membership card to qualify.

We now accept Cash, check or credit card, and offer an expanded selection of exclusive items..

Our featured books are now available for online purchase, and prices include tax and shipping!

**Go to [Islandparks.org](http://Islandparks.org) and click on Merchandise for a preview**

## Monthly Family Story Hour at Rotary Centennial Nature Center

**Presented by  
Palm Harbor Public Library**

**What:** Palm Harbor Public Library and the Rotary Centennial Nature Center at Honeymoon Island State Park invite you to come to the nature center for a free Family Story Hour. The nature center is a fun place and we will have a special story time and a craft!

**Where:** Rotary Centennial Nature Center at Honeymoon Island State Park

**When:** 11/08/08 and 12/13/08 (Second Saturdays)

**Time:** 1:30pm to 2:30pm

**Cost:** Free! With Park Admission - (\$5.00 per car, up to 8 people per carload)

## Membership News

*By Ron Geisheimer, Membership Committee*

### Looking Back at 2008

As secretary and an active member of our membership committee, I can smile as I look back at our year in review. We have had a stellar year in significantly helping to raise the membership ranks and provide quality events and programs for "The Friends".

Highlights would have to include our Feb 26<sup>th</sup> Chocolate Buffet. **The Board and Staff** presented a myriad choice of chocolate delights. The membership had a chance to sample any and all and vote on the best of the best. Many suggested this should be a traditional February event.

In May we enjoyed a great presentation by **Linda Taylor** and chance for a book signing. Linda's wonderful book "Great Women Exploring Nature: How Wild Florida Influenced Their Lives" fated great women of Florida and their many accomplishments. We leaned more of authors such as Marjorie Kinnan Rollins and Anne Morrow Lindbergh. Linda's ability to spin a yarn and tell an endearing story made for a very special evening.

June provided the group a backstage look at the elegant new Sand Pearl Resort. The evening was beautifully arranged by **Skip Meadows**. Following a behind the scenes presentation by the hotel staff, our large group was given the grand tour of this five star resort. Following the tour, the group adjourned to the Tate Island Grill to enjoy refreshments while watching for the sun to set. The hotel's historic "sunset bell" signaled that magic moment. Some friends, like **Marge Levy**, even saw the "flash of green color" in the sunset just as it disappeared from sight. Everyone now looks forward to returning to this grand and "Green" resort.

July provided another book signing and chance to learn about the photography of **Robert LaFollette**. Robert provided beautiful photographs of our local surrounding. His new book is sure to be a collector's item. In August we hosted **Stan DeFreitas**, Mr. Green Thumb, who shared gardening tips from his book "The Complete Guide to Florida Gardening". This evening was a great learning experience thanks again to **Skip Meadows**. September offered an evening called "Pinot and Plovers". One year ago we started a special event of wine tasting and camaraderie. This year the program provided knowledge by **Ray Dabkowski** on the islands many Plover residents. **Diane Hood** provided the Pinot and **Shane**

**Bittaker**, of Café Honeymoon, provided the hors'douvres. It was an evening enjoyed by many of our members.

October's theme was "The Arts and the Islands". This program acknowledges the arts and their intimate connection with our islands. Featured presenters will include St. Petersburg Time Columnist, **Nova, Beal**, and artist **Susan McCubbin**, Dancer **Luana Moran** and renowned harpist **Maria Valentine**. Refreshments for the evening include champagne and strawberry treats. As a membership committee member, I am proud to host this evening of the arts.

Finally the busy year will round out with our now annual Holiday Party. Keep the date of December 6<sup>th</sup> open. The evening will begin with a short meeting, fellowship, wine-tasting, terrific treats and a festive holiday atmosphere. Following our downtown Dunedin event, we will all join the crowds at the Dunedin Marina for hot beverages, desert cookies and a chance to glimpse that jolly ole elf himself. What a great way to put a cap on 2008 – This has been a banner year in membership (we just about doubled our roll) and we will have a chance to once again toast the "million visitors" to our islands and revel in knowing our own Caladesi is the nations "#1 Beach". Bravo and Brava!

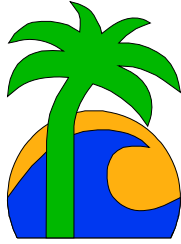
### Upcoming Events

**December 6th** - Annual Holiday Party / Dunedin Boat Parade. 5pm to 7pm, Douglas Ave., Downtown Dunedin!

Our 2009 Lineup of Events is being planned, with plenty of surprises in store for you! See the "**Friends Scheduled Meetings**" on the back page for meeting dates and times.

### Newest Members Announced

Patricia Geyer, Tarpon Springs FL  
Marie & Rich Cunha, Hudson FL  
George & Gene Steutel, Oldsmar FL  
Julie & Reggie Hughes, Tarpon Springs FL  
Linda Talbot, Tarpon Springs FL  
Marge Leavy, Clearwater FL  
Rick & Carol, Garrett Palm Harbor FL  
Richard Green, Seminole FL  
Sally Dacy, Dunedin FL  
Robert & Dawn LaFollette, Palm Harbor FL  
George & Jackie Nigro, Dunedin FL  
Betty Scheetz, Clearwater FL  
Kelly Edwards, Dunedin FL  
Audrey Esterbrook, Clearwater FL  
Linda Riggs Safety, Harbor FL  
Mary Lou Helferty, Dunedin FL



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# Membership Application And Renewal Form

## About the Friends

Friends of the Island Parks is a CSO (Citizens Support Organization). Florida Park Service CSOs are volunteer organizations that sponsor events, raise funds, and support the goals of the parks. The Friends of the Island Parks CSO's main focus is the support of Caladesi Island State Park and Honeymoon Island State Park.

## 501(c)(3) Status

The Friends of the Island Parks, Inc. is registered in Florida as a non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide educational, interpretive, and financial assistance to Caladesi Island State Park, Honeymoon Island State Park, and the Gulf Islands GEPark. This group is recognized as a citizen support organization by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks. One hundred percent of your contribution is tax deductible. The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services solicitation registration number is CH14031. The Pinellas County charitable solicitation permit number is 0409075.

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## \*Charter/Insider Renewals:

If you are currently a Charter or Insider member, you may renew at that level for \$25 annually. Continuous membership is required to maintain this level.

**Application Process** – You may apply or renew at our website, or use this form.

## Please make your check payable to:

Friends of the Island Parks

## Mail your application and check to:

Friends of the Island Parks  
Attention: Membership  
1 Causeway Blvd.  
Dunedin, FL 34698

<b>Dues:</b>	
<b>Additional Donation:</b>	
<b>Total:</b>	

## Island Amenities

Be sure to visit *Café Honeymoon* and *Café Caladesi* when on the islands for food, gifts and beach supplies. Try out the **pancake breakfasts** on Saturdays & Sundays at *Café Honeymoon*. In addition, they can help you plan your special occasions on the islands.

*Honeymoon Island*  
The perfect setting for any occasion!

- Weddings
- Birthdays
- Breath Taking Views
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- Anniversaries
- Corporate Events
- Catering by Cafe Honeymoon

www.bonappetit-restaurant.com  
For More Information Contact: Shane Bittaker  
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Dunedin, FL

## Friends Scheduled Meetings

The Board of Directors meets at 6:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month for approximately 1 ½ hours.

The general membership meeting is on the fourth Tuesday of the month and begins at 7:00 p.m. and usually features a presentation of local interest. Unless otherwise posted, both meetings are held at the *Rotary Centennial Nature Center at Honeymoon Island*. You are welcome to attend the board meeting and highly encouraged to come to the membership meetings!

### Meeting Schedule:

	Board Meetings:	General Meetings:
Dec. 2008	<i>Holiday Party will be held on Saturday, 6th</i>	
Jan. 2009	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>
Feb. 2009	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>
Mar. 2009	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>
Apr. 2009	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>
May. 2009	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>
Jun. 2009	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>
Jul. 2009	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>
Aug. 2009	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>
Sep. 2009	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>
Oct. 2009	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup>
Nov. 2009	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>
Dec. 2009	<i>Holiday Party to be announced...</i>	



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## Members of the Board

### Executive Committee

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Vice President: Scott Hood  
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