

Davis Islands Chamber of Commerce Meeting  
June 11, 2008 8:30AM  
238 E. Davis Blvd, Upstairs Boardroom

Present: Bill Sharpe, John Scioscia, Louis Villanova, JoAnne Purdy, Jennifer Fadal, Joleen Eichert, Jim Frijouf, Erin Powers

Treasurer's Report: \$3206.27 in checking

Secretary's Report: Minutes are now posted on website

Events and Activities, Louis Villanova: Glass Reunions plans to host the next DICC when they open. We still need to finalize details for a candidate forum in August. Issues of location and weather need to be addressed. Bill and Louis are going to confer about hang another Octoberfest in the Village. We also need to plan Santa's Visit for December.

Transportation, John Scioscia: Proposed a project to paint numbers on street curbs. Neil Cosentino is still trying to get DICC to endorse his ideas. Bill has made it clear that DICC will not endorse any of his plans at this time. HART has discontinued service to the airport due to lack of riders.

Marketing, Michele Smith: Michele is getting a proposal ready for UT students to update our website and possibly help design rack cards. The group discussed ideas about design of card. We liked idea of a map on the card and also discussed how we should promote businesses that are not members of the chamber.

Membership, Jim Frijouf: 54 members, up 22%. New members, Atlas Aviation, Joleen Eichert, Tampa Bay & Co.

Old Business: Cookbooks! Pharmacy and Palm Bank have sold many. Bill wants to put an add in the paper.

New Business: Date for Islands Fest set, April 18, 2009. Tampa Bay & Co. Social June 17 @ Rigatonis

Village News: Sushi place (Sip) has applied for liquor licenses and is moving along. Former Fig Leaf spot is going to be West End Bagels (Starbucks meets Panera, their words). This will be huge competition for Java and Cream and most likely will cause quite a stir on the island.

DICA has accrued monies from interest revenues and would like to start a private fund to manage these monies. Jennifer Fadal wants to know the chamber's position on such an account. There was skepticism about who would be in charge of these monies. Many funds require a steward.