

Captiva Code survey now ready online

The Captiva Land Development Code survey is open and online. Postcards to all property owners and registered voters should have gone out Aug. 23, and a follow-up card will go out around Sept. 1 as a reminder. The survey is open through Sept. 30, and results will be presented to the Captiva Community Panel at its Oct. 19 meeting (the meeting date has been changed to allow a little extra time for preparation and review.)

Captivans can access the survey online through the panel website (www.captivacommunitypanel.com) or at www.surveymonkey.com/s/CaptivaLDCsurvey. They'll need either their voter ID number or property STRAP number to access, and they can provide input both as a voter and for as many properties for which they are listed as owner. Questions can come to panel administrator Ken Gooderham at kengooderham@comcast.net, phone (239) 489-2616 or fax (239) 362-9771.

Community Panel to meet Sept. 14

The Captiva Community Panel's next meeting is set for Tuesday, Sept. 14, beginning at 9 a.m. in the Wakefield Room at Tween Waters Inn. On the agenda:

- Evaluation & Appraisal Report update by Matt Noble, Lee County Planning
- Discussion of planning services proposal from Forgey Planning Services
- Discussion of the 2011 panel meeting schedule
- Updates from the Hurricane Preparedness & Response Committee and the Captiva Erosion Prevention District

CEPD's September meeting schedule

September is a busy month for the Captiva Erosion Prevention District, with budget hearings on top of the regular monthly meeting. The schedule for the month:

- Sept. 7 -- Tentative budget hearing at 5:01 p.m. in the Wakefield Room at Tween Waters Inn.
- Sept. 8 -- Regular board meeting at noon in the Wakefield Room at Tween Waters Inn.
- Sept. 21 -- Final budget hearing at 5:01 p.m. in the Wakefield Room at Tween Waters Inn.

Also, in advance of the upcoming Nov. 2 referendum on the 2013 beach project, the district wants to remind Captivans that the last day you can register to vote in November is Oct. 2. Contact the county Elections Office at (239) 533-8683 for details.

Want to serve on the Community Panel?

The Captiva Community Panel nominating committee is seeking interested Captivans who'd like to be consider for upcoming openings on the panel (both impending and further in the future). Qualifications include an interest in Captiva's future, the ability to attend the monthly panel meetings and the willingness to abide by the state Sunshine Laws (as well as file a simple financial disclosure form). Interested? Contact panel administrator Ken Gooderham at kengooderham@comcast.net.

Mangrove planting help needed

As part of the ongoing restoration effort in Clam Bayou, the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation is seeking volunteers to plant red mangrove seedlings in the Bayou on the following dates:

- Sept. 10-11 (Friday-Saturday)
- Sept. 13-15 (Monday-Wednesday)
- Sept. 23-24 (Thursday-Friday)
- Sept. 27-28 (Monday-Tuesday)
- Oct. 8-9 (Friday-Saturday)
- Oct. 11 (Monday)
- Oct. 22 (Friday)
- Oct. 25-27 (Monday-Wednesday)
- Oct. 29-30 (Friday-Saturday)
- Nov. 5-6 (Friday-Saturday)
- Nov. 8-13 (Monday-Saturday)

Participants **MUST** be at least 16 years of age and **MUST** pre-register. Volunteers who can bring their own kayak or canoe are encouraged to do so. To register, contact SCCF volunteer coordinator Sabrina Lartz at (239) 395-4617 or by email at slartz@sccf.org.