Hello Beach Bum(s)!

Registration for seats on our April 10th, 2024 trip to Lido Key & St. Armand Circle are now open. Make checks payable to: Northern Beach Bums Club (NBBC) and mail to the trip leader noted below or bring with you to our March 5th Social at Savannah Center.

NBBC club information, forms, and policies can be found at our web site: <u>https://northernbeachbums.org/</u> When you fill out your registration form please read the form for instructions how to fill it out. If you want to be matched on a bus with others, please only place the names of others in the Special Request section if:

A) You know they are coming

B) They list your name on their form.

This will help us sort and not search for "ghost participants".

## TRIP INFORMATION:

**Plan you own beach day!** There will be two (2) departure times from Lido Key Beach to St. Armand Circle. This will give those who want to tour, shop, and eat additional time at St. Armand. Those who are not shoppers and want less time at St. Armand Circle can rest on the beach and/or eat at Lido Island Grille. First departure time will be boarding at 2:15pm from Lido Key Beach to St. Armand with reloading for home at 5:45pm, giving you 3.5 hrs. to tour, shop, and dine. The second departure time will be 3:30pm from Lido Key Beach to St. Armand and re-board for home at 5:45pm, giving you 2 hrs. to choose an activity at St. Armand. You can also choose to bring your own brown bag dinner to eat on the bus ride home.

## LIDO KEY BEACH and ST. ARMANDS CIRCLE, SARASOTA, FL

Trip leaders: Kathy Eastman, Cathy/Bob Snyder

## WHEN: Wednesday April 10th, 2023

WHERE: Lido Key Beach/St Armands Circle
BUS BOARDING: 8:00 am at Lowes parking lot, Hwy 441, behind the Cracker Barrel Restaurant
ARRIVAL: Approx. 11:00am
Option #1 – RE-BOARD BUS FOR DEPARTURE TO ST ARMANDS CIRCLE: 2:15pm
Option #2 – RE-BOARD BUS FOR DEPARTURE TO ST. ARMANDS CIRCLE: 3:30pm
RE-BOARD BUS AT ST. ARMANDS FOR RETURN HOME: 5:45 pm
ARRIVAL BACK HOME IN THE VILLAGES: approximately 8:45 pm
PRICE: \$34 per person (includes bus transportation, parking, and driver gratuity)
All NBBC trips are Non-Refundable.

Mail your check with a Trip Registration Form (or drop off at our March 5th meeting). Forms are on our website: <u>northernbeachbums.org</u>:

MAIL TO: (CHECKS PAYABLE TO NBBC) Cathy Snyder 1007 Vermont Ave The Villages, FL 32159

Checks must be received by March 09th. Mail checks to Cathy Snyder or turn in your registration form and check, in an envelope, at our March 5th meeting. If needed, seats will be distributed by lottery. Notice of bus assignments will be provided by March 25th. If you are not chosen, we will contact you to see if you wish to be placed on a wait list. If you want to ride with a spouse or friend, please sign up together with one check. This way you will be assigned together. ONLY 2 SEATS CAN SIGN UP/ENTER THE LOTTERY TOGETHER. If you want to ride on the same bus as other members, please read the registration form. No guarantee can be given to get you on the same bus. We do our best but both parties must feel out the form properly for the system to work.

**TRIP DESCRIPTION**: Lido Key is a barrier island on the gulf coast connected to mainland Sarasota by the John Ringling Causeway. It boasts a pristine white sandy beach with aquamarine waters. It is an alcohol friendly beach. No glass permitted. Following our beach day, we will be stopping at St Armands Circle located just ½ mile from Lido Key. It has mid-century architecture with a European flair and boasts many chic upscale boutiques, fine dining, and outdoor snack bars.

Two options available to be transported to St. Armand. Early birds can get on the bus at 2:15pm and spend additional time at St. Armand. Everyone else can board the bus at 3:30pm to St. Armand. We will re-board from St. Armand Circle at 5:45pm to go home.

**AMENITIES**: Restrooms, outdoor showers, gift shop, shaded picnic tables, umbrella/chair rentals. There are year-round lifeguards. The Lido Island Grille offers sandwiches, burgers, salads, and seafood in addition to alcoholic beverages. They do accept credit cards for your purchases but not for the beach equipment rentals. You need cash for rental of chairs and/or umbrellas.

**RENTALS:** Umbrella and chair rentals available (umbrellas \$15 and chairs \$15 each) Cash Only. First come, first serve. They do not take reservations. The rental stand is located at the Lido Island Grill.

## LIDO KEY AND ST ARMANDS CIRCLE INFO LINKS:

http://www.lidokey.net/index.shtml https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction\_Review-g34618-d1065861-Reviews-Lido\_Beach-Sarasota\_Florida.html https://www.mustdo.com/fl/sarasota-gulf-islands-venice-bradenton/beaches/lido-beach/ https://www.visitsarasota.com/lido-key-st-armands-circle https://www.visitsarasota.com/lido-key-st-armands-dining

See you at the Beach!

Kathy Eastman - NBBC President