

Sign-ups for seats on our September 11th trip to Upham Beach/Paradise Grille at St. Pete Beach are now open. NBBC club information forms, and policies can be found at our web site: <https://northernbeachbums.org/>. We have been offered by Lamers the ability to add a 3rd bus for the day. We have had an enormous amount of interest in this trip. If we do not fill up all 3 buses we sadly will have to have a lottery and notify those who did not get a seat. Please help us by signing up early and reading the instructions on the trip registration form.

Make your checks payable to: Northern Beach Bums Club (NBBC). **MAIL TO THE TRIP LEADER NOTED BELOW.**

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:

Upham Beach/Paradise Grille, St. Petersburg, FL
Trip Leaders: Dianne Caliva, Julie Branson, Sindy Mason

When: September 11, 2024

Where: Upham Beach, St. Petersburg at Paradise Grille, 6850 Beach Plaza Blvd, St. Pete Beach, FL

Bus boarding: 8:00 am at Lowe's Parking Lot. Hwy 441, behind the Mattress Store on the North end of the parking lot.

Arrival: Approximately 10:30 am

Re-board Bus to The Villages: 3:15pm

Price: \$29 per person (includes bus transportation, tolls, and driver gratuity. DOES NOT INCLUDE FOOD OR DRINKS AT PARADISE GRILL)

All NBBC trips are Non-refundable. No vaccination required but is highly recommended. Water, coffee, soda, (with a lid) and snacks are permitted on the bus. No ice cream or popcorn is permitted.

Mail your check with a Trip Registration Form that must be received by August 9th. Forms are on our website: <https://northernbeachbums.org/>

Please make checks payable to Northern Beach Bums Club (NBBC).

Mail to:

Dianne Caliva
3253 Fink Street
The Villages, FL 32159

If needed, seats will be distributed by lottery. Notice of bus assignments will be provided by September 1st. 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 fill out the form properly for the system to work.

All NBBC trips are Non-refundable, participate at your own risk. ****REMINDER, if necessary a trip destination maybe relocated** at anytime and no refunds will be provided. The enjoyment and safety is more important than the destination. If weather is undesirable on the west coast, we may move to the east coast. Sometimes we change locations due to heat or due to establishments that had to close due to a storm. We own the buses 30 days before and we may even resort to choosing an indoor location if necessary. It happens and that is an inherent risk when you sign up, we may be forced to go somewhere else. Please see NBBC Policies on our website for more information.

Trip Description:

Upham Beach is located on the Gulf of Mexico on the beautiful white sand of St. Pete Beach. It is a short walk from the parking lot to the shore. If you enjoy a stroll, head north a small distance to the mouth of Blind Pass which has a rock jetty. It is a great location for fishing, and possibly you will see dolphins playing nearby. We have been to Pass-a-Grille on St. Pete beach before but this will be our first visit to the northern end of St. Pete Beach and have been told it is just as beautiful. Our early departure and return should assist us to depart before the late afternoon rain storms and avail us to the cooler temperatures of the morning.

Umbrella/Chair rentals: No advance rental needed, payment when arrive at the beach. Sand Dune Beach Services will have equipment ready and set up for those who want to rent. They will take Cash, Credit Card, Debit Card. Cost includes tax at \$40 for a set (umbrella & 2 chairs), \$25 umbrella only, \$10 chair only. When we are on the bus our fabulous trip leaders will ask for a count of who is renting and once we report that to the rental company they will be all set when you step onto the beach.

Amenities: Restrooms, outdoor shower, cafe (Paradise Grille), chair/umbrella rentals (first come/first served) are all available. Although this is a public beach, **there will not be a lifeguard.** You can spend the day enjoying the beach with no need to travel beyond. For the more adventurous, it is only 3-4 blocks to Gulf Blvd where you can jump on the Trolley if you want to head further north to John's Pass or Clearwater. If you are searching for shops, just a 15 minute walk away is the historic Corey Avenue Shopping District. You will find a mix of unique boutiques, galleries, gifts, home furnishings and restaurants. Just be sure to get back in time for the bus.

Masks are optional. Water, coffee, soda (with a tight lid) and snacks are permitted on the bus.

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Upham Beach Info Links:

<https://www.stpetebeach.org/Facilities/Facility/Details/Upham-Beach-27>

<https://www.coreyave.com/>

Nearby Restaurant Links:

Paradise Grille on Upham Beach -breakfast and lunch, 6850 Beach Plaza Blvd, St. Pete Beach, FL 7 am to ½ hr past sunset

Woody's Waterfront – Outdoor seafood eatery 7308 Sunset Way Cash Only 727-360-9165 11-am-10 pm no reservations. <https://woodyswaterfront.com/>

Oyster Shucker Craft and Draft – American-seafood 650 Corey Avenue 727-256-1882 Happy Hour 11 am – 6 pm . <https://theoystershucker.com/>

Willy's Burgers and Booze – variety of burgers plus other foods 645 Corey Avenue 11 am-3 am no reservations larger than 7 No splitting large groups. <https://willysburgersandbooze.com/>

Fresh Factory – healthy foods and snacks 7350 Gulf Blvd. <https://eatafreshfactory.com/>

Ricks Reef – crab cakes, pasta and other American food 6712 Gulf Blvd. 727-826-0752 8 am-1 am. <https://ricksreefstpetebeach.com/>

Chill Restaurant and Bar – assortment of food 357 Corey Ave 727-360-2445 11 am-9 pm. <https://www.chillstpetebeach.com/>

See you at The Beach!

Kathy, Dianne, Julie, and Cindy!
Northern Beach Bums Club
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