



# Board of Directors Nominations

ELECTION TIME! The time of year has arrived when we choose the leadership of the Suncoast Tiger Bay Club. Elections are held every year at the first meeting in December. The chairpersons of the Republican and Democratic parties of Pinellas County are invited to serve on the board by virtue of their positions. The other board members are elected to three-year terms, with roughly one-third of the positions coming up for election each year.

**WHAT DO BOARD MEMBERS DO?** They are expected to attend at least 50% of board meetings and 25% of regular Club meetings, to vote on Club business, assist the President and Executive Director as requested and, when asked, to sit at the head table, rate Fang & Claw questions, introduce speakers, moderate programs, and serve on committees.

**WHAT QUALIFICATIONS DO YOU NEED?** You must have been a member for at least one year, attended 25% of the current year luncheon programs, and you must not be currently serving on the Board. In addition, it is desirable for you to demonstrate leadership capabilities, and possess the ability to speak in public without fainting.

**HOW DO YOU GET NOMINATED?** Club members are encouraged to use the form below to recommend people they think would be good directors. You can even submit your own name! Nominees will then be furnished with a brief questionnaire and asked to submit a short bio. These names and information will be reviewed by the Nominating Committee chaired by the Immediate Past President and comprised of current board members. Notice of the election and the list of the committee's nominees will be published in the December newsletter. Any nominees not selected by the Committee may, at their request, still appear on the ballot at the election.

**HOW DOES THE VOTING WORK?** The slate of nominations will be published in the December Tiger Growls newsletter and sent to all members of the Suncoast Tiger bay Club for consideration prior to the December meeting. A ballot will be distributed at the first meeting in December if there are more nominations than open positions. Voting, when necessary, is by secret ballot.

**DOES IT MATTER WHO GETS ELECTED?** YES! We need strong board members who care about the Club, and who are willing to give their time and energy to make it a success. Additionally, persons who are willing to serve in club leadership roles, if asked, are particularly encouraged to express their interest in board membership.

**HOW ARE THE OFFICERS ELECTED?** At the last regular meeting of the Board of Directors prior to the annual meeting of the membership, the board elects four officers, from the current board, for the upcoming year: president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer.

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## BOARD MEMBER RECOMMENDATION

*(You may submit your own name, and you may make more than one recommendation.)*



**DEADLINE: Friday, October 1, 2010**

I recommend \_\_\_\_\_ for the Board of Directors.

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Return this form to: Suncoast Tiger Bay Club, Inc., PO Box 231, St. Petersburg, FL 33731

Please visit the "Leadership" page of our website at [www.tigerbay.org](http://www.tigerbay.org) for more information.

E-mail the recommendations to [Chandra@tigerbay.org](mailto:Chandra@tigerbay.org) OR fax the form to: (727) 521-5655

# Benjamin Franklin Award



**PURPOSE:** To stimulate, encourage and recognize exemplary public leadership by selecting those persons who, through public appointed or elected service, have exhibited extraordinary integrity, courage and achievement. (This is not an award for volunteer service outside the political arena.)

**ELEGIBILITY:** An elected or appointed public figure, or other individual, past or present, anywhere in Florida, including partisan and non-partisan officials. Previous Benjamin Franklin Award winners, and current members of the Suncoast Tiger Bay Club Board of Directors are not eligible.

## CONSIDERATIONS:

- ◆ Courage in handling issues, both popular and unpopular.
- ◆ Positive achievements that can be attributed to the leader.
- ◆ Extent to which the public good was advanced by the candidate's leadership.
- ◆ Success in stimulating significant new public awareness and understanding of important public problems and solutions.
- ◆ Length of public service.
- ◆ The nominee shall be selected without consideration of his or her political affiliation.
- ◆ The nominee's public record and reputation shall be above reproach.

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## Past Recipients

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1981—Martha Rudy Wallace	1995—House Speaker Peter R. Wallace
1982—Governor Reubin O'D. Askew	1996—Senator Curt Kiser
1983—U.S. Representative C.W. "Bill" Young	1997—U.S. Representative Sam Gibbons
1984—Governor LeRoy Collins	1998—Richard T. Earle, Jr.
1985—State Attorney James T. Russell	1999—Nathaniel P. Reed
1986—Dr. Gus Sakkis	2000—Governor Bob Martinez
1987—Sally Wallace	2001—David J. Fischer
1988—Senator Lawton Chiles	2002—Bob Butterworth
1989—Representative Samuel P. Bell, III	2003—Congresswoman Carrie Meek (Ret.)
1990—Senator Mary R. Grizzle	2004—U.S. Senator Bob Graham
1991—Chief Justice Leander Shaw	2005—Judge George Greer
1992—Senator Jeanne K. Malchon	2006—Robert Milligan
1983—Dr. Scott N. Rose	2007—Betty Castor
1984—Rev. J.W. Cate	2008—Chuck Rainey
	2009—Not Yet Awarded

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# Grassroots Award

**PURPOSE:** The Suncoast Tiger Bay Club Board of Directors instituted this award, to be presented on an OCCASIONAL basis, not necessarily each year, to a citizen whose grassroots efforts have made a singular contribution to public policy, either by way of having had a beneficial effect on a public issue, or issues, or by contribution to a broader understanding of public affairs.

**ELIGIBILITY:** In addition to the criteria listed above, the person so honored cannot be a current elected or appointed officeholder or a paid lobbyist or a member of the Suncoast Tiger Bay Club Board of Directors. Also it should be noted that the nominee will only receive consideration if said contribution was totally unrelated to their business or occupation. Priority should be given first to residents of the Suncoast and secondarily to persons whose activities have affected the state as a whole.

**CONSIDERATIONS:** Citizens who are not normally involved in politics, but who utilize America's participatory democracy to have an effect on or heighten public awareness of an issue.



**Emily Rogers Coeyman (R)** was recognized for her volunteer "career" as a government watcher, gadfly and outspoken advocate. Among her accomplishments was the creation of the open forum at St. Petersburg City Council meetings.



**George Locascio (r)** was recognized for his tireless efforts to ensure accessibility for disabled persons, and for his dedication to broadening the understanding of public affairs, laws and policies affecting those with disabilities.

## Past Recipients

1990—Pat Ellis	1998—David Levitt
1994—Linda Anello	2001—Candice Slaughter Warmke
1996—Alice Tackett Balena	2004—George Loascio
1997—Wendy Sue Nelson	2005—Emily Rogers Coeyman
1998—Bill Poe	2008—Not Yet Awarded

## HOW TO MAKE AWARD NOMINATIONS

Submit Award nominations **in writing, not to exceed two (2) pages**, specifying for which award the nominee is to be considered. Please include the following information:

- \_\_\_ Your name, Tiger number and telephone number
- \_\_\_ Nominee's full name and contact information
- \_\_\_ Any available biographical or supporting information on the nominee
- \_\_\_ A brief explanation of why you feel your nominee should be considered to receive the Award.

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## IT'S NOMINATIONS TIME!



Another President will be immortalized soon....

See inside for details. It's time to make your nominations for:

*Board of Directors*  
*Benjamin Franklin Award*  
*Grassroots Award*



Is there a citizen who needs to be recognized for their grassroots advocacy work?



New Board Members will learn how tough rating the Fang & Claw can be!

