

ISLAND VIBES

the Official Newsletter for the City of South Padre Island



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REMINDERS

The deadline to apply for an SPI Community Garden Plot is Monday, August 15th! [Click here](#) for an application.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday • August 16

2 PM • Special Events Committee

Wednesday • August 17

➤ 9 AM • Parks & Keep SPI Beautiful Committee
➤ 5:30 PM • City Council Meeting

Thursday • August 18

3 PM • Planning & Zoning Commission
View upcoming meetings, live stream meetings in session, & watch archived meetings [here](#).

EVENTS

Saturday Recycling

Date: Every Saturday
Time: 8 AM to 11 AM
Where: SPI Community Center
[Click here](#) for event details.

41st Annual Ladies Kingfish Tournament

Date: Friday-Sunday, August 12-14th
Where: SPI Convention Centre
[Click here](#) for event details.

C.R.A.S.E Training

Date: Tuesday, August 16
Time: 9-11 AM & 2-4 PM
Where: SPI Convention Centre
[Click here](#) to register.
For more fun things to do on SPI, [click here](#)!

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CITY SPOTLIGHT

In the Spotlight this week is Franco Serna with the City's Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB)! Franco is part of the Operations team for the CVB and has worked for the City of South Padre Island for nearly ten years!

The CVB Operations team has a wide range of duties from facility maintenance to assisting with events. Franco is the CVB's Audio/Visual equipment expert and is part of the setup and teardown team for CVB events. They are able to completely transform the CVB to suit nearly any event from basketball games to large conferences and everything in between.

Outside of work, Franco enjoys fishing on the Laguna Madre, spending time with his family or assisting at his wife's bakery, Nelly's Cakes in Matamoros. And of course, during football season, you can always find him supporting his favorite team, the Dallas Cowboys.

There's never a dull moment with Franco around. When not making someone laugh or sharing fun stories from his travels, he's teaching the team innovative ways to implement new ideas and technology. He is always seeking to learn and develop his skills in order to provide the best customer service for the community and staff.

PET OF THE WEEK

Say hello to Kevin, our Pet of the Week from Friends of Animal Rescue! He is a gorgeous Belgian Malinois whose completely vetted *and* gone through certified training! He hopes to find a loving, adult-only, home that understands his breed, the importance of exercise, and keeping him "working".



If Kevin sounds like the perfect match for you, visit FOAR at 4908 Padre Blvd. or call (956) 772-1171. For an online adoption application, [click here](#).

SUMMER FIREWORKS

Check out these amazing Firework Shows to see why South Padre Island is the Fireworks Capital of Texas!

- **Fireworks over the Bay at Louie's Backyard**
 - Every Tuesday & Friday at 9:15 PM
- **Fireworks on the Beach at The Isla Grand**
 - Every Thursday at 9:15 PM
- **Fireworks on the Pier at Clayton's Beach Bar**
 - Everyday at 9 PM

REMINDER: If you lose your pet or find an animal needing assistance, call FOAR's 24/7 hotline at (956) 772-1171.