



**NEW YEAR'S AT THE BEACH  
SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS  
DECEMBER 28, 2019—JANUARY 2, 2020**

**GUESTS WELCOME!**

Mark your calendars! Once again...an **EXCITING way to celebrate the end of a year and the beginning of a new one!** You just know there will be lots of activities and fun...the beach (**Sandcastle Capital of the Universe**), visiting, dining, beach bars, fireworks at midnight on New Year's Eve, **Polar Bear Dip** on New Year's Day, and more. Some interesting attractions are: Sea Turtle, Inc., SPI Birding & Nature Center, Whaling Wall #53 at SPI Convention Centre, Port Isabel Lighthouse Complex, Port Isabel Historical Museum/Treasures of the Gulf Museum, SpaceX South Texas Launch Site at Boca Chica near Brownsville, Palo Alto Battlefield National Park, Brownsville Gladys Porter Zoo, and sites/activities in the Rio Grande Valley.

If you are considering a trip to Mexico, be sure to bring Passport (birth certificate and drivers license MIGHT be sufficient). SIA will not be responsible or sanction trips to Mexico (On Your Own).

**Bring a jacket** as weather can be cool!

See spichamber.com and The Guide to South Padre Island booklet for more area, airport, etc., information... or contact Donna. **Contact Donna for rides from/to airport or bus station.** Airports...Brownsville South Padre International, Valley International-Harlingen, Miller International-McAllen; Bus terminal in Brownsville

**Host Hotel: Padre South Hotel:** 1500 Gulf Blvd South Padre Island, Texas 78597 956-761-4951 (Not the same motel as in years past) Hotel is on the **oceanfront**. Rooms have balconies with ocean views and **some** have kitchenettes with full-size refrigerators, microwaves, and four-burner stoves. The facility has out-door hot tub & pool and beach access. Margarita's Bar & Grill is next door. See [www.padresouth.com](http://www.padresouth.com) for more details. Book early and ask for room location options. The facility has eight floors...the higher the better the view.

**Mention SIA.** Room rates ...1 queen bed & sofa sleeper - \$45 plus tax per room per night; 2 full-size beds - \$55 plus tax per room per night. There are a limited number of rooms at the above rates. Several more have been blocked at \$59 plus tax per room per night (both types of rooms). **Book room SOON!** If you want to come in on an earlier date or stay later, ask about rates. **\*\*\* There are no handicap rooms available at the Padre South Hotel, but the Super 8 Motel (not oceanfront) has a limited number of handicap rooms.**

Rates should be the same as above. Management encourages to **Book REALLY SOON!\*\*\***

**Super 8 Motel:** (not oceanfront) 4205 Padre Boulevard South Padre Island, TX 78597 956-761-6300 The SIA block has four handicap type rooms... ask for details when reserving. Also, there are 5 standard rooms (might be upstairs...no elevator.) **Book soon for best options! Mention SIA.**

Contact: Donna Chumney 254-681-2354 or Janet Lacy (317) 642-6868

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**Registration Form**

**Registration form deadline: December 20, 2019.** If you decide after December 20 that you can attend, please call (254) 681-2354 or (317) 642-6868 and **come on down!** Mail registration to: Donna Chumney 209 Sunday Drive Burnet, TX 78611 **Bring current SIA membership card. Make check payable to Texas SIA.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # (cell) \_\_\_\_\_ Day of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

SIA# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Guest? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Activity Fee \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_



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**TENTATIVE ITINERARY**

**\*\*The itinerary below is subject to change\*\*** Please call Donna (254) 681-2354 or Janet (317) 642-6868 to verify the location and time if you plan to meet the group at a given location. Plan to meet in the lobby of The Padre South Hotel at least 20 minutes prior to each activity if you want to car pool. Please bring snacks for the hospitality. The “hospitality/meeting room” will actually be the large lobby of the hotel. Bring cards, dominoes, games. The hotel has an outdoor hot tub and pool. Margarita’s Bar and Grill is just south of hotel.

**\*\*\*There will be several time-blocks for exploring sites and activities of area at your own pace. See literature at registration and visitor packet for suggestions.**

**Saturday, December 28, 2019**

**2:00 p.m.** Registration in **Padre South Hotel** lobby · 1500 Gulf Blvd · South Padre Island, TX 78597 · (956) 761-4951  
**5:45 p.m.** Leave Padre South Hotel for **Mel’s Honky Tonk N’ Grill** for **supper and dancing** · 10700 Fm 1421 · Brownsville, TX 78520 · (956) 399-9465 · **(on your own)**

**Sunday, December 29, 2019**

Breakfast at hotel  
**7:30 a.m.** Leave Padre South Hotel for **Rio Grande Valley** day trip (San Juan Basilica Mass Service 9 a.m.; Tom Landry Mural; Riverside Club –lunch, Rio Grande River cruise (\$11-\$20 depending on length), dancing; Don-Wes Flea Market; etc) · (Lunch, cruise and any other expenses **on your own.**) **\*\*See additional flier for a more-complete itinerary.** Janet (317) 642-6868 and Larry (712) 269-3414 will host the day.

**\*\*\*Those that prefer to spend the day on the Island... explore, shop, relax, etc.**

**Lunch**

On your own

**6:00 p.m.** Supper at **Pirate’s Landing Restaurant** · 110 N Garcia St · Port Isabel TX 78578 · (956) 943-3663 · **(on your own)**

**Evening** TBA

**Monday, December 30, 2019**

Breakfast at hotel  
**8:15 a.m.** Leave Padre South Hotel for **Port of Brownsville Boat Tour** (four hour narrated cruise...9 a.m.-1:00 p.m.) · Captain Murphy’s Isla Tours · Marina just behind Sea Ranch Restaurant · South Padre Island, TX 78597 · (956) 761-4752 · **(Pay at registration · \$25 · on you own)** · Light lunch included...peel & eat shrimp and fixings · Can take cooler with any type beverage and food/snacks...**No Glass!! · Need to be at dock 25 minutes before boat departure** · Weather Permitting  
**Afternoon** **\*\*\*Sites and activities of area**

**6:00 p.m.** Supper at **Dirty Al’s Seafood Restaurant** · 33396 State Park Rd 100, South · South Padre Island, TX 78597 · 956-761-4901 · **(on your own)**

**Evening**

TBA

**Tuesday, December 31, 2019**

Breakfast at hotel  
**9:00 a.m.** **SPI Birding & Nature Center** · 6891 Padre Blvd · South Padre Island, TX 78597 · (956) 761-6801 · [www.spibirding.com](http://www.spibirding.com) · (\$4.00-\$5.00...**on your own**)

**10:00 a.m.** **Sea Turtle, Inc...Rehabilitation Center & Educational Complex**...10:30 a.m. presentation · 6617 Padre Blvd · South Padre Island, TX 78597 · (956) 761-4511 · [www.seaturtle.org](http://www.seaturtle.org) · (\$4.00-\$5.00... **on your own**)

**12:00 p.m.** Lunch at **Senor Donkey** · 4215 Padre Blvd · South Padre Island, TX 78597 · (956) 761-4843 · **(on your own)**

**Afternoon**

**\*\*\*Sites and activities of area**

**6:30 p.m.**

Supper at **Daddy’s Seafood & Cajun Kitchen** · 1808 Padre Blvd · South Padre Island, TX 78597 · (956) 761-1975 · **(on your own)**

**Evening**

Games, etc. in Padre South Hotel lobby and pool area

**Fire Works** · Display starts at midnight the over the bay. (weather permitting)

Return to **Padre South Hotel** lobby after fireworks for New Year’s toast, “good luck” black-eyed peas and key lime pie!

**Wednesday, January 1, 2020**

Breakfast at hotel  
**A.M.** **Clayton’s Beach Bar and Grill** · 6900 Padre Blvd · South Padre Island, TX 78597 · Annual **Polar Bear Dip**....Registration & t-shirt sales begin at 10 a.m.; **Dip** in the ocean at 12 noon · Wear Costume and/or bring swimsuit. · Dip in the ocean or watch those that do! Drinks and food available. **(on your own)**

**1:00 p.m.** Lunch at **LongBoard Bar and Grill** · 205 Palm St., South · South Padre Island, TX 78597 · (956) 772-7022 · **(on your own)**

**Afternoon**

**\*\*\*Sites and activities of area**

**6:30 p.m.**

Supper at **Blackbeards’ Restaurant** · 103 E Saturn · South Padre Island, TX 78597 · (956) 761-2962 · **(on your own)**

**Evening**

TBA

**Thursday, January 2, 2020**

Breakfast at hotel

**9:00 a.m.** Devotional, Hugs, and Goodbyes · **Padre South Hotel** lobby



***Rio Grande Valley -- Day Trip  
Sunday, December 29, 1919  
Tentative Itinerary***

Enjoy a day in the Rio Grande Valley. Contact Janet (317) 642-6868 or Larry (712) 269-3414, hostess/host for the day, for more information. Some activities may be weather permitting.

- 7:30 a.m.** Leave Padre South Hotel; carpool to the Valley
- 9:00 a.m.** Worship service at **Basilica of Our Lady of San Juan del Valle National Shrine** · 400 N. Virgen de San Juan Blvd. · San Juan, TX 78589 · (956) 787-0033 · English service with Mariachi music group
- 10:30 a.m.** Visit **Tom Landry Mural** · intersection of Conway Avenue and Tom Landry Boulevard · Mission, TX 78572
- 11:30 a.m.** Lunch at **Riverside Club** on the River · 214 E. Chimney Rd. ... GPS – 3681 Levee Rd. · Mission, TX 78573 · (956) 581-1033 · Also, optional... dancing to live band and Rio Grande River cruise (\$11.00-\$20.00...depending on cruise length) · (all expenses **on your own**)
- 2:00 p.m.** Time and weather permitting...**Don-Wes Flea Market** · 208 N. Victoria Rd · Donna, TX 78537 · (956) 464-3502
- 4:00 p.m.** Return to **Port Isabel/ South Padre Island**
- 6:00 p.m.** Supper at **Pirate's Landing Restaurant** · 110 N. Garcia St. · Port Isabel, TX 78578 · (956) 943-3663 · (on your own)