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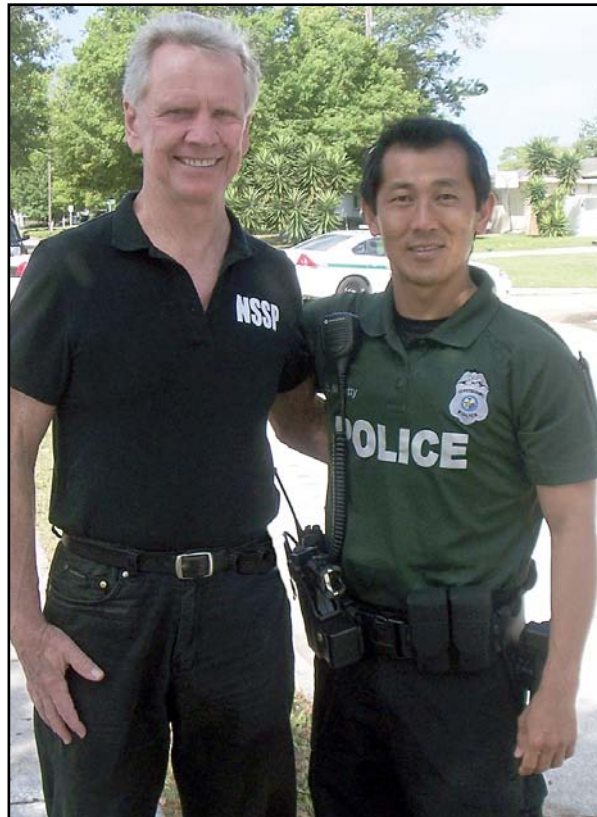
Anti-Crime Cameras

181 Anti-Cameras have been installed by the City, plus the 22 cameras at intersections.

The City can tap into I-275 cameras operated by Florida Department of Transportation.

Mayor Bill Foster pledged to put cameras in neighborhood "hot spots" and high-traffic recreation areas during his campaign. The current move is toward integrating and uniting all the camera systems.

"Cameras do help deter crime," says Michael McDonald, Assistant Director of the Police Department's Administrative Services Bureau.



Ed with Office Detty

NSSP News and Actions

FIVE Calls on the "\$250 Tazz REWARD Poster". A description is developing, narrowing neighborhood where he lives. Working with Trail Ranger, retired Community Police Officer, and SPPD Community Police Officer.

Dr. Ed met with Crime Prevention Officer Mark Williams at Police Headquarters to review all the details of Crime Watch. They discussed many specific areas in great depth.

NSSP called police out to write 14 tickets at Baseball complex for parking on grass. Talked with head BB person first, he is frustrated and said they need to be ticketed. As the Universe would have it, people were going to cars during the process so

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Our next JTCA Meeting is

Monday, October 15

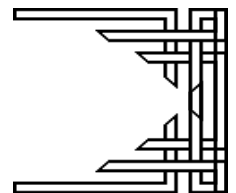
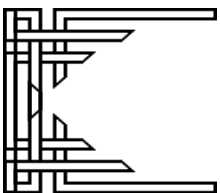
Social 6:45 p.m. – Meeting 7:00 p.m.

***ALERT: MEETING IS AT
Science Center • 7701 22nd Ave. N.***

For presentation and tour

Happy Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's!

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President's Message

Art Grant: "Entwined" by Art Committees. City Council agenda Oct. 4 for approval!

Darryl Gilbert made **Swim Time Boy** bronze statue "Tamper Proof" with 1 1/2" Steel Pipe in legs and brace in back, all welded together a foot below statue, imbedded in 500 pounds of concrete.

Thank YOU, **Tom Killian** for repairing our JTCA sign on Park Street.

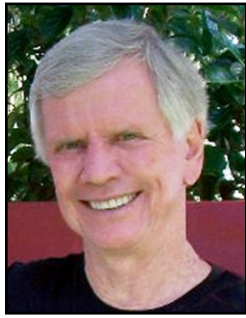
Board Member **John Sweeny** coordinated parking and center lines on 26th Ave, and on 80th St. from 26 Ave past construction crossing at 28th Ave.

CAREFEST: JTCA sponsored two Carefest projects on Sept. 29.

John Sweeny and **Connie Dickenson**, were to lead **10 Volunteers** from the city (who never showed up!) cleaning both sides of **Pinellas Trail**, 22nd Ave No. through **Stonehenge Park** beneath Tyrone overpass.

Dr. Ed Carlson led **4 Volunteers** in trimming, replacing two bushes, fertilizing and staking the **Volunteers Garden**, and replacing **Swim Time Boy** in his place by **Jungle Lake**. They placed new retention-edging around the **Girl Walking Her Dog** bronze statue, and painted two green benches. **Our Park and Trail are AMAZING!**

Codes: City brought in chainsaws, front



Dr. Ed Carlson
JTCA President

loader and dump trucks to clean up 2449 Anvil St. Cleaned up property at 2401 72nd Street, and City crews cleaned up abandoned Meineke Muffler on Tyrone. Codes responded quickly to have the abandoned Car Wash cleaned of debris and mowed.

Thank you **Councilman Gerdes** for gifting JTCA 20 tickets + 2 parking passes to a Rays game.

Bank is going in on 66th St. at 13 Ave. in place of CD Romas, re-opening near Publix.

REO Investments acquired parking lot behind Jared's Jewelers. REO will put up signs and fence to keep vehicles from parking. They're eager for a medical office.

Allied Auto-Parts is rehabilitating the Hollywood Video store next to Best Buy, Opening Soon.

Digital Billboards: Council unanimously approved. Clear Channel made extra concessions because of strong neighborhood input. 15% of revenues to City. Remove 83 traditional billboards for 6 electronic (all on I-175/275/375 on each side of Tropicana Field).

PINELLAS TRAIL Chief Park Ranger, C. Gray, writes "I personally thank you and JTCA for all the assistance provided to the Pinellas Trail. **Ranger Dan Delgado** and **Volunteer Coordinator Nancy Brown** ap-

prised me of the results. The before and after photos I will share with the South District Ranger staff. Please feel free to contact me with any concerns you have."

Dr. Ed: Continuing my SH park spray program, I met **Tom**, the Spray Tech for all parks south of Ulmerton. Sprays the Trail (17 miles) on Fridays. We had a good long talk. He now sprays around all the trees for us. REALLY likes all JTCA has done and the concept of **STONEHENGE PARK**.

Retention Pond by Tyrone Overpass, corner of Tyrone Mall. Met with Mall Manager, not theirs, Codes posted signs and sent to Ohio. Volunteers picked up 4 big bags of trash. High school senior and friend cut down invasive trees and mowed all the way around pond. Could barely get between brush and fence along the mall side, now is a wide open boulevard – take a hike around the pond.

18 acre development: 66th St. / 9th Ave N. All 3 neighborhoods are ok with site plans. **6 acres** along 66th St: 2 medical offices, park/pond, and a bank. Medical by Pasadena Hospital and IASIS Healthcare (18 hospitals in 7 states, employing 14,000). **Inner 12 acres:** Two buildings, Independent Living and Assisted Living by Heartland, leading providers of short-term post-acute and long-term care. 60,000 caregivers nationwide in 500 centers of skilled nursing and rehabilitation, assisted living, outpatient rehabilitation, hospice and home health care agencies.

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To join Jungle Terrace Civic Association, please go to PayPal (below), mail your dues, or fill out this membership form and bring it to the next meeting.

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MEETING MINUTES Monday, July 16, 2012

Dr. Ed Carlson called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag.

SPPD Officer Phieffer reviewed recent neighborhood issues and reminded us to call the police non-emergency number, 893-7780, to report ANY "suspicious activity" in our neighborhood.



Eileen Dardis
Secretary

was our speaker. He gave an update on the status of the Pier project. Mr. Gerdes also addressed City codes and snipe signs, the 31st Ave Stormwater Drain Project. He gave a follow-up on the status of 2449 Anvil street property that had been a "junkyard" and is now cleaned up.



presented the creation of "Stonehenge Park" under the Tyrone Overpass, and designating the JTCA portion of Pinellas Trail as a linear



Ed Carlson presented a summary of the park improvement projects JTCA has initiated and completed with the Tampa Bay Estuary Grant funds. He also

park.

Buck Walz, candidate running for County Commissioner District 7, presented his platform. Buck is the Operations Manager at Carroll's Building Materials and was instrumental in helping JTCA create the Stonehenge Park Garden.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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WALTER FULLER RECREATION NEWS

As fall draws near, Walter Fuller Recreation Center offers new and ongoing programs of community interest. Monthly, we offer exciting fee classes for all ages like Zumba, Tennis and Tae Kwon Do. The Mayor's Youth Council is a highlight for both Teen and Elementary Before and After School Programs. Teen TASCO Sports Leagues are also popular. Currently, Dodgeball is underway with Flag Football and Volleyball occurring in the late fall and winter. Pickleball, Open Basketball and Wednesday Night Therapeutics activities are also showcased weekly. The Park will host the annual Susan Komen 3 Day Cancer Walk on October 26-28, 2012 and local citizens will visit our Center to vote in the national election on November 6, 2012. Please stop by the center, call 893-7443 or visit www.StPeteParksRec.org for more information.

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Science Center, 7701 22nd Ave. N.

The Science and Technology Education Innovation Center (formerly Science Center of Pinellas) is a community asset for 52 years as a 501(c)3 nonprofit. Our primary focus is providing hands on STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education to students in grades K-12. We now have certification programs in Cyber Security and Manufacturing for high school students and adults. Our Center is developing pathways with industry and post secondary education that provide opportunities for industry certifications, internships, job placements and college degrees; all rooted in STEM foundations.

The Center is housed on 7 wooded acres in a 28,000 sq. ft. facility serving Pinellas and surrounding counties. We are an experiential learning institution with an observatory, planetarium, marine touch tank, wetlands, and weather station on site. Our various labs that include: computer/ petrology/ robotics/ chemistry/ forensics/ energy/ manufacturing and cyber security. Summer, winter and spring break camps are offered for students in grades K-12. The Center offers professional development for teachers and has a great partnership with NASA.

Community events include Sci-Fi and Sky Nights, Hurricane Expo, Science Showcase, Black History Month plus birthday parties and special events rental. The Center is not funded by Federal, State or the County. We rely on corporate support, donors, members and two fund raisers each year, Wine Under the Stars September 29th and Innovators Ball March 2013.

Approximately 40,000 students visit the Center annually, with another 3,000 to 4,000 families with students visiting for special program events. Students come from the Pinellas County School system, private schools, and home school students. The Center is actively pursuing a geographic expansion into neighboring counties of Manatee and Hillsborough. Additional programs are being created to provide the Center a national reach through virtual classroom platforms and delivery.

The Center is always seeking volunteers, please call for more detail. To become a sponsor or a guest at our annual Wine Under the Stars event September 29, please visit our website www.sciencecenterofpinellas.org or call 727-384-0027. We can provide these programs only with the support of our community, thanks for being involved.

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AZALEA MIDDLE SCHOOL

Dr. Connie Kolosey, Principal

Hello Jungle Terrace Neighbors! We are off to a great start for the 2012-2013 school year. Many exciting plans are in place to make this year the most successful and productive in a long time.

Notice our students coming and going from school! We implemented a modified dress code. Students are required to wear plain colored polo shirts or crew-necked t-shirts and black, navy or khaki shorts, skirts, or pants. We are pleased with the compliance of the vast majority of students and parents. Some families are in need of additional clothing for their children. If you have lightly used or new clothing to donate that meet the requirements, please let us know.

Azalea Middle established three guidelines for success: Be Respon-

sible, Be Respectful, and Be Safe. We are working diligently to teach and model these guidelines. Your reinforcement of these ideas in the neighborhood is greatly appreciated.

Success Academy is a program for students who need additional behavior supports. Portable classrooms will be in front of the service center – fenced in to be a part of our campus, yet apart from our main campus to support a more structured learning environment for all.

Last spring we started a project to bring more greenery and color to our beautiful courtyard. We planted four small trees that are growing beautifully. I hope to add ground cover shrubs such as Indian Hawthorne and Parson-eyed Juniper. If you have an interest in assisting us by donating plants or helping with the planting, please let

me know.

Finally, I greatly thank our community partners. Raytheon provided our faculty welcome back breakfast, snacks for our PTA meeting, and mentors for our Doorways Scholars. Two employees serve on our School Advisory Council. Azalea Baptist pastor, Ron Holland, agreed to serve on SAC and to partner with us as needs arise. Church by the Sea in Seminole “adopted” us and put up attractive bulletin boards on our Guidelines for Success in each hallway, donated clothing, and printed a large quantity of our “BKC” bucks for student incentives. (BKC stands for Black Knight Chivalry).

We appreciate the support and friendly, but watchful eyes of our NSSP volunteers.

Thanks for all you do for Azalea Middle School!

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MANY saw it happening.

Officers King and Arrenson. The next day 8 tickets were issued.

Lights OUT: Total 55. NSSP reported Street Lights OUT to Progress Energy. Now repaired: 20 south of Tyrone Blvd. 15 North of Tyrone. Walter Fuller Park 20 Lights OUT reported to City. Fractured Utility Pole at 78th St and 30th Ave. reported with photos.

Stolen Boat discovered by NSSP hidden in reeds/bushes of Walter Fuller Park, north island. Used shovels as paddles. Police Marine Patrol investigated and returned boat owner, the to construction crew putting in the storm drains.

Homeless Vagrant, in park after hours, bike locked to rail of shelter, sleeping bag rolled out and asleep.

Called SPPD. 2 Cruisers there in 6 minutes. They took him away.

Marijuana Cultivation Plot discovered in Retention Pond area of Tyrone Mall. Reported to SP Police.

Azalea Youth Soccer Center, previously plagued, reports no breakins and no graffiti since last May. Walter Fuller Center Director reports none of the usual vandalism and graffiti to Portable Building this summer.

“We appreciate the support and friendly, but watchful eyes of our NSSP volunteers. Thanks for all you do for Azalea Middle School!” Principal Dr. Connie Kolosey

“Hello Dr. Ed, I salute you and the NSSP members for your successes in the Azalea Middle School, Azalea Soccer, and Walter Fuller Recreational areas, as well as improvements

along the Pinellas Trail. Thanks again for all your great work!” Sincerely, Lenore (SP Bike Club Member)



Join us for a fun and not so scary Sci-Fi & Sky Night
Doors open: 6:00 pm • Costume Contest: 7:00 pm • Movie at 7:30 pm PG Movie to be Determined

Planetarium Shows

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Wear your costume - we will be having a costume contest and giving out prizes & goody bags. Bring chairs and blankets for the movie in our rear courtyard.

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(To Keep on Hand)



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Sheriff (non-emergency).....	582-6200
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Codes (get a case number)	893-7373
Elderly Information	893-7101
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Library – St. Petersburg College.....	341-7199
Mayor’s Action Center.....	893-7111
Mosquito Control.....	464-7503
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Azalea Elementary.....	893-2187
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SPCA.....	586-3591
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By Monica Abbott

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The new owners are the Hernando family, relocated from Cocoa Beach. Welcome! Restaurant hours are Tues.-Thurs. 11 a.m. to 1 a.m., Fri.-Sat. 11 a.m. - 2 a.m., Sunday, 10 a.m. Call 727-202-6833 or visit www.TapasRestaurant-Bar.com.



Bay Pines Building Boom

On 60 acres, a \$17 Million gated 330-unit apartment complex across from Bay Pines Veterans Hospital, called "The Courtney at Bay Pines". With 12 acres of ponds, the architecture uses Spanish style similar to the VA across the street. Contravest Management residential development and property management firm has multi-family rental properties across the country. Plans are for completion next year, to be open in 2014. Future phases of the mixed-use include retail shops, hotel and restaurant, and a Seminole Fire Department on the northeast corner.

Jungle Terrace Dumpster Cleanup December 1 & 2

Dog Park Area, 80th Street N & 30th Avenue N.

Jungle Terrace's annual Neighborhood Cleanup is the first weekend of December. Two large dumpsters will be near the dog park in Walter Fuller Park. Please use this opportunity to clean up your yard, garage or shed. Items the Brush Site does not accept can be put in the dumpsters: wood, furniture, refrigerators and other metal items. No chemicals or roofing materials please.

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