

67 Years Advocating for Jungle Terrace Neighborhood!~!

3rd Quarter 2021

www.Jungle-Terrace.org

Meeting ~ Monday, July 19, 2021

Walter Fuller Center - 7891 26th Av N Social 6:45 p.m. – Meeting 7:00 p.m. City Councilman Robert Blackmon FL Representative Linda Chaney



New Parks & Rec Connect Site is Now Live!



The St. Petersburg Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce the updated Parks & Rec Connect includes a completely redesigned site that provides online registration and payments for activities and camps with no additional convenience fee. Customers are able to login online and request

reservations for facilities, such as rooms at recreation centers and picnic shelters in City parks. It makes trying a new activity in the Sunshine City easy.

Check out Parks & Rec Connect for yourself and explore the variety of activities for all ages by visiting www.stpeteparksrec.org/parksrecconnect.

July 4th Fireworks Return to St. Pete Waterfront

Fourth of July fireworks return, continuing the tradition of enjoying fireworks along waterfront parks now including the St. Pete Pier district. Event festivities begin Friday, July 2, 2021 with music, food and movie on the tilted lawn. The fun continues through the weekend with the 4k St Pete Pier Run, Silent Disco Nights, Health Expo, food trucks and musical performances ... concluding with the fireworks show along the downtown waterfront on Sunday, July 4, 2021 at 9 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. Utilize City parking facilities downtown or consider alternative modes of transportation. More on events and parking, visit <u>stpetepier.org/thefourth</u>.

Northwest Water Reclamation Facility (NWWRF)

Built in 1957, this facility has been upgraded and expanded several times.

The NWWRF Improvements Project will replace aging assets, improve wastewater service and reliability, and mitigate wet weather overflows. Located at 7500 26th Avenue North, the NWWRF provides essential wastewater and reclaimed water service for the Northwest Service Area and for areas outside the city limits.

Contractor begins setting up on site in July 2021. Details <u>www.stpete.org/NWWRF</u> Construction begins this summer and will run through summer 2024.

Litter Pickers Article: WALK LIKE A GARBAGE MAN

https://tampabaytimes-fl.newsmemory.com/?publink=02d89ac14

Billy Adams walks 12 miles a day around Washington DC for health and picks up trash along the way. His new ritual is immensely satisfying. "The trash is out of place; it doesn't belong there." "When you see it beforehand, then you walk by it after and its all clean, that's a good feeling."

A Jungle Terrace Volunteer writes: "I love to pick up trash! This man has made this into a beautiful art form."

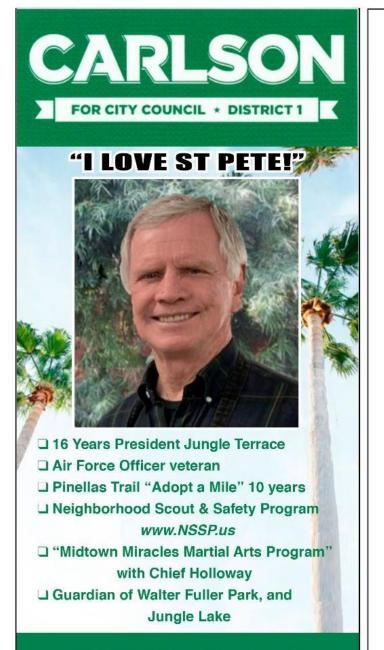
Exercising while picking up trash is an emerging trend. A popular Sweedish fitness craze collecting trash, called "Plogging," a mix of jogging and *plocka upp*, Swedish for "pick up." Plogging groups are popping up around the world, including Washington area.

Tasco Teens de-littering Jungle Lake, Pinellas Trail, and Neighborhood.



"Pick up something!"

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Preparing Florida for a Better Tomorrow: Representative Chaney's First Session in Review

The 2021 Legislative Session was a historic win for Floridians – addressing the long-term needs of the state with transformative legislation to position Florida today for a better tomorrow.

The Florida House passed significant legislation that prepares our state for future pandemics, addresses the threat of flooding and sea level rise, enhances student literacy, protects our communities and families, holds government entities accountable to taxpayers, and changes the way people get jobs in our state forever.

For Representative Linda Chaney, this was her first year serving Florida House District 69.

Chaney won her campaign with the mission of improving our infrastructure without raising taxes, stimulating our economy & getting businesses back on their feet while protecting the environment, and providing the very best public education in the world by putting parents and teachers in charge.

During her first Legislative Session, Representative Chaney passed five of her bills and brought back over \$4.5 million of taxpayer dollars for District 69:

HB 193, Closing the Sexual Offender Loophole, ensures those convicted of being a sexual predator must register as one, despite any open fines, making our neighborhoods safer.

HB 245, Massage Therapy, updates the Practice Act for Massage to better reflect the full scope of care provided by licensed massage therapists.

HJR 1377, Tax Incentives for Flood Resilience, provides a much-needed incentive to property owners to elevate or reconstruct their homes above grade - ultimately getting more Floridians out of harm's way from flooding, leading to reduced flood insurance for us all.

*The implementing portion of our flood bill (formally 1379) is included in HB 7061, a larger tax bill that: Expands the tax credit for affordable housing, Adds a permanent sales tax exemption for independent living items, and establishes tax holidays for 2021 back-to-school, disaster preparedness and "freedom week."

HB 545, Transparency in Curriculum, creates accountability for school boards by requiring that the specific materials used in the classroom be reviewed and adopted annually in a publicly noticed meeting to parents. Currently school boards are not required to make parents aware of the specific materials used in sex education classes, just the general curriculum guidelines. Parents will also be notified of their right to opt-out of sex education curriculum without penalty if they feel it is inappropriate for their child.

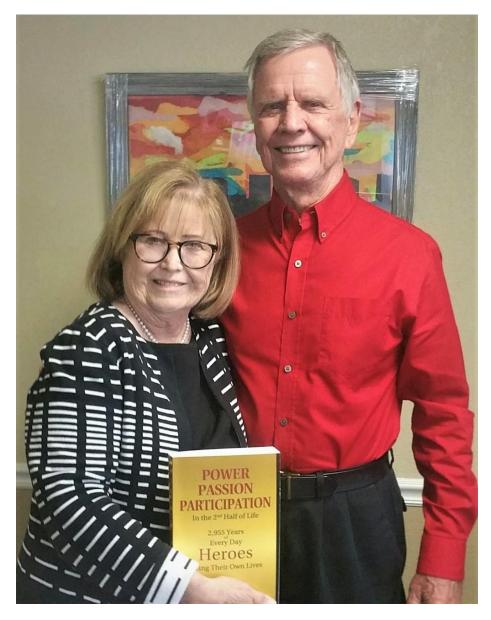
Budget Highlights:

Gov. Ron DeSantis signed into law a \$101.5 billion state budget that spends heavily on public works projects, the environment and \$1,000 bonuses for many Floridians on the frontlines of the Covid-19 pandemic. For District 69, here are the projects that Rep. Chaney was able to get funded:

St. Pete Beach Roadway Improvement Project \$1,500,000 Madeira Beach Roadway Improvements \$549,400 Restore St Pete Science Center \$500,000 Madeira Beach - Beach Groin Rehabilitation \$1,750,000 Treasure Island Sewer Lift Station Rehabilitation \$375,000

Contact State Representative Linda Chaney: Linda.Chaney@myfloridahouse.gov | (727) 341- 7358 6798 Crosswinds Drive, St. Petersburg, FL 33710

Karen Higgins Retiring from PARC



With 35 years of service to PARC, Karen Higgins is retiring as President and CEO of PARC ... which she has held for 9 years. As Karen began her journey, she immediately developed a passion in advocacy and all services that furthered the inclusion of individuals with developmental disabilities. Under her leadership, PARC has reached many milestones, including, serving more than 800 clients, residential housing, community programs, Discovery Learning Center, Culinary program, Supported Employment, Supported Living, Inspired Artist Studios, and many more. Before being CEO, she served in roles essential to the organization, including member on multiple community advocacy committees to assist in education and awareness of developmental disabilities.

Karen Higgins is a great friend and ally in harmony with Jungle Terrace. *Bon Voyage* Karen, and Godspeed!

Pinellas Trail Enhanced by Fill and Sod



Fill dirt to bring up to Trail level, then Sod!

Hurricane season started June 1.

Prepare for, stay safe during, and returning home after a hurricane:

- **Prepare:** Sign up for local alerts and warnings. Monitor local news and weather reports. Prepare to evacuate by testing your emergency communication plan, learning evacuation routes, having a place to stay, and packing a "go bag." Stock emergency supplies. Protect your property by installing sewer backflow valves, anchoring fuel tanks, reviewing insurance policies, and cataloging belongings. Standard renters' and homeowners' insurance doesn't cover flooding. A separate policy can be purchased through your insurance company, agent or <u>National Flood Insurance Program</u>. Collect and safeguard critical financial, medical, educational, legal documents and records. The <u>Emergency Financial First Aid Kit</u> helps organize financial, medical and household records.
- **Stay Safe:** Follow guidance from local authorities. If advised to evacuate, grab your "go bag" and leave immediately. For protection from high winds, stay away from windows and seek shelter on the lowest level in an interior room. Move to higher ground if there is flooding or a flood warning. Turn Around Don't Drown; never walk or drive on flooded roads or through water. Call 9 -1-1 if you are in life-threatening danger.
- **Return Home:** Return only after authorities say it is safe. Do not enter damaged buildings until inspected by qualified professionals. Never walk or drive on flooded roads or through floodwaters. Look out for down or unstable trees, poles, and power lines. Do not remove heavy debris by yourself. Wear gloves and sturdy, thick-soled shoes to protect your hands and feet. Do not drink tap water unless authorities say it is safe.

Prepare ... then Enjoy LIFE!

Trimming Trees on 30th Ave N. along Park



New Construction on old Arigato Site. FYI: A Heart Center Medical Office Building, is going up, on the old Arigato Restaurant Site. The car wash offer fell through.

3600-3610 66th Street North, St. Petersburg

Jungle Lake Looking Good Again!~!



Thanks to JTCA, and Mark Siler

St. Pete is No. 1 in Florida and 14 in U.S. for Parks System

City of St. Petersburg and the Parks and Recreation Department's emphasis on preserving and enhancing parkland and providing engaging recreational opportunities for all in the Sunshine City was front and center for The Trust for Public Land, a national nonprofit with a mission to "create parks and protect land for people," that ranked St. Petersburg No. 1 in Florida and No. 14 nationally in this year's ParkScore® index.

The 2021 index analyzed 100 of the largest U.S. cities using mapping technology and demographic date to determine how well each city is meeting the needs for parks. Each city was scored in five categories: access, acreage, amenities, equity and investment. St. Petersburg ranked higher than several major cities known for their active outdoor lifestyle, including Austin, TX, San Diego, CA and Denver, CO. The Trust for Public Land gave St. Petersburg a 78 out of 100 in investment and 78 out of 100 in equity. "75% of residents live within a 10-minute walk of a park" in St. Petersburg.

The St. Petersburg Parks and Recreation Department uses placemaking to create inclusive and equitably accessible parkland and recreational opportunities for the community to play, learn and explore as well as working to protect greenspaces for future generations to enjoy.

"Our parks and recreation teams work hard to provide a healthy, protected, sustainable and inclusive parks and recreation system for our community and visitors. From our amenities to the Healthy St. Pete fitness classes and community events and more, St. Pete parks offer something for everyone," said Mike Jefferis, Leisure Services Director.

For more details visit <u>www.tpl.org/city/st-petersburg-florida</u>.



Registration is OPEN Season Dates Available Online

FREE TeeBall Registration This Season with a donation of (2) 24ct cases of bottled water to concessions.



BEST LITTLE LEAGUE IN PINELLAS COUNTY!

We offer Softball and Baseball Divisions in TBall, Minor B (Coach Pitch), Minor A (Player Pitch), Majors, 50/70 Intermediate, Juniors, Seniors, and Challenger.

Kids Age 4-16 years old

Divisions available for different ages and skill levels. St Pete Little League (formerly known as Azalea Little League) has been making improvements to the program. Please come by and speak with a coach or League Director. We look forward to seeing your child grow in their love for sports and the game of baseball.







Go Online to Register Today and Find Out More Details www.StPeteLittleLeague.com







Sponsor-A-Kid/ Scholarship Fund

\$100 Minimum Donation

 Registration costs vary from season to season from \$90-\$160+ depending on division. Help a kid/family play!!



\$500.00 (Name on Jersey)

- Company name boldly displayed on Team Jerseys above Player Number (for one season).
- Sponsorship plaque in recognition of your business.
- Your Business Logo on StPeteLittleLeague.com

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We Greatly Appreciate Your Support and Considerations

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NEW! SPLL Family Banner - \$100.00**

2ft x 2ft Banner. This is your league!! Show your support by having your family name displayed along the walkways to the fields. Donation gets banner and league donation. **Banner display extended to life of banner.

NEW! Scoreboard Sponsor - \$1000.00

This is a high-focal point zone for parents. Display your business name on a banner that is affixed to the scoreboard area. 3 spots available!

Grand Slam Sponsorship

\$750.00* (Banner & Name on Jersey) Save \$100! - Includes Triple and Double sponsorship

Double Sponsorship

\$350.00 (or \$400 extended**)

- Banner 4'x6' displayed in prominent bleachers area with your Business Info/Logo.
 - Your Business Logo on
 - StPeteLittleLeague.com

Single Sponsorship

\$250.00 (or \$300 extended"")

- Banner 3'x5' displayed in high-visible area with your Business Info/Logo.
- Your Business Logo on StPeteLittleLeague.com

Season(s) Sponsored:	and Contact Person:		
Business Name:			
Phone #	Email:		
Address:	City	State	ZIP
Sponsorship Level:	Amount Enclosed:		
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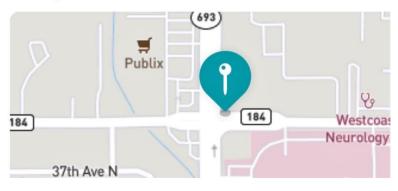


Please make ALL checks payable to St. Pete Little League. Mailing address is: 3325 68th Street North, St Pete, FL 33710 St. Pete Little League is an all-volunteer, non-profit league organization. St. Pete Little League also hosts a Challenger league at our fields. Contact: League President + saintpetell@gmail.com + 727-347-3325 * Banner sponsorships are for 1 year unless extended or otherwise stated. ** Extended = Banner will remain until life of banner expires (1+ years).





Take 5 Oil Change Business Coming. FYI: The construction going on at 38th Ave North and 66th Street North, will be the new "Take 5 Oil Change Business."



NEXT Door

Melissa Sprout Jungle Terrace-West

Dogs off leashes. Just a post to ask neighbors to please kindly walk your dogs ON a leash. It's actually the law in St. Pete and Pinellas County. Also, my child is terrified of dogs off leashes after being bitten. You might know your dog is tame, but we don't. We have been seeing more and more people walking their dogs in the neighborhood, and around parks like Walter Fuller with no leash. It's so simple to do, if you have a dog, please use a leash.

GOOD NEIGHBOR GUIDE TO "SEWER SMARTS"

Video series shows actions residents can take to be good neighbors.

Youtube Video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GR8Vw6j_o-8</u>

Each year, hundreds of gallons of sewage overflows in St. Pete are caused by blockages in the pipes caused by fatbergs, which are congealed masses of grease combined with items that shouldn't be flushed. These sewage overflows can be prevented. All of us can make a difference.

Everything that goes down your sink, toilet, tub or shower makes its way through the sewer system to one of three water reclamation facilities. At the facilities, the wastewater is "recycled" to be nutrient-rich reclaimed water for irrigation.

We can help prevent sewer blockages and overflows by "being kind to our pipes."

- In the Kitchen: Never put fats, oils or grease down the drain. If they make their way into the sewer system, they contribute to blockages in the sewer system, leading to sewer backups. Proper disposal of fats, oils and grease:
 - Collect grease in a container once and dispose in the trash, not down drain.
 - Remove grease and oils from your pans before washing.
 - Dispose of food scraps in the trash.
- In the Bathroom: Only number 1, number 2 and toilet paper should go down the toilet. Although wipes advertised as 'flushable' can technically be flushed, they don't easily break down and can cause blockages in the sewer system, leading to sewer backups. What **not** to flush:
 - Wipes
 - o Diapers
 - Feminine hygiene products
 - Paper towels
 - Facial tissues
 - \circ Dental floss
 - Toys

Learn more at stpete.org/SewerSmarts.



MOSQUITO CONTROL AWARENESS

Mosquito control begins at home.

picaridin, IR3535 or oil of lemon-eucalyptus.

Removing mosquito breeding areas is a best practice and one of the three Ds to follow for mosquito prevention and protection. Dump standing water at least once a week or cover it. Dress in loose-fitting long sleeves and pants while outdoors. Defend by using a CDC-approved repellent such as DEET,



If you notice a mosquito problem, call Mosquito Control at (727) 464-7503 or submit a <u>service request</u> online. The following tips help prevent mosquitos year-round:

- Keep containers dry or covered, including flowerpots, garbage cans, recycling containers, wheelbarrows, tarps, old tires and buckets.
- Flush birdbaths and wading pools weekly.
- Flush ornamental bromeliads weekly or treat with BTI, a biological larvicide.
- Clean roof gutters, which can become clogged and hold water.
- Change the water in outdoor pet dishes regularly.
- Keep pools and spas chlorinated and filtered.
- Cover rain barrels with screening.
- Check for standing water near plumbing drains, under air conditioner drip areas and around septic tanks.

Pinellas County treats known breeding areas by ground and air. The section also works with the Florida Department of Health in Pinellas to keep residents and visitors safe.

For more information, visit Pinellas County Mosquito Control.



Sunrise on Jungle Lake



