



## WE BUILT IT BUT WILL THEY COME?



Our July issue featured a story detailing what our community went through to build our baseball dome. We left off with the Florida Suncoast Dome's grand opening on February 28, 1990, but it had no baseball team to call it home. With no promise of getting one, it soon became apparent building the multi-million dollar building would be easier than getting a team.

In 1987, while the stadium was still under construction, the area had come close to convincing the Chicago White Sox to relocate. The Florida Legislature approved a \$30-million funding package to assist in outfitting the Florida Suncoast Dome and to help lure them to St. Petersburg. But at the last minute, the team announced they would stay in Chicago.

Once open, even without a baseball team, the new dome would not sit idle. The first promoted event was the AAU's Junior Olympics held July 28, 1990. Over 5,000 young athletes participated. In November, the dome hosted the Davis Cup Tennis Finals. Many concerts were also hosted inside the Suncoast Dome during that time.

More major events needed to be booked or there would be no revenue. While, there was room for football and basketball games, ice shows, concerts and even trade shows, the building was built for baseball. In the context of domed ballparks, the Florida Suncoast Dome was considered "nice enough", but still had no AstroTurf, center-field scoreboard or sky boxes.

A year after it opened, in May of 1991, The Florida Suncoast Dome got a real sports team, The Tampa Bay Storm the arena football team. The community turned out in large numbers to show their support for their team.

In June, Major League Baseball (MLB) announced that it would extend new franchises to two cities. This greatly excited the St. Petersburg ownership group. But they were soon disappointed when their application was rejected in favor of Miami and Denver.

But, life went on and while ownership waited for a baseball team, other non-baseball events were held inside the Dome, including the February 1992, World of Outlaws Sprint Car race, a one-time event.

The next few months proved to be a roller coaster ride when time after time the high hopes of getting a team would end in disappointment. In June of 1992, the Seattle Mariners were sold. Hopes were raised that they might move to St Petersburg, but the new owners, a group of Japanese investors, pledged to keep the team in Seattle.

In August, the San Francisco Giants announced they had been sold to the St. Petersburg ownership group led by businessman Vince Naimoli. Everyone was so sure they were moving, they held a press conference to announce the deal.

"MLB Commissioner Fay Vincent gave the Giants' ownership permission to relocate the team," recalls City Planning Director Rick Mussett. "But it required approval by a majority of the baseball team's owners. "Naimoli had a fully executed contract with the Giants, signed by both parties," Mussett adds. "But Bill White, the President of the National League publicly opposed the move."

By November, with the urging of Wayne Huizenga, the owner of the new Florida Marlins, MLB owners against allowing the Giants to move to St. Petersburg. People began to speculate that St. Petersburg would never get a team.

"The manner in which baseball acted became part of a lawsuit between the Giants, San Francisco, the City of St Petersburg and the ownership groups," says then Asst. Mayor Rick Dodge. "This allowed St. Pete to recover the extensive financial damages which they incurred." By the end of the year, Bud Selig became the acting MLB Commissioner when Fay Vincent was ousted.

Even though the Giants deal fell through, that same month Mark Ferguson took a chance and bought a nearby abandoned gas station where he created Ferg's Sports Bar. "I knew it was just a matter of time before we would land a baseball team—and I wanted to be ready when the time came," says Ferguson. "Thank goodness for the fans of the Tampa Bay Storm and Lightning who kept us afloat until the Rays did finally arrived."





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Bottom line: It works. Named the 2015 Tampa Bay Times Education Teacher of the Year, Tracey was awarded the Council for Exceptional Children's Inclusion Teacher of the Year in May. Her downtown office has counseling and testing space. Individual and small group sessions can be scheduled. Visit www.Sunshineproject.us or call 727.709.9841 for more information.

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Fire Prevention Week will kick off with an Open House at all St. Pete Fire Stations from 10am to 12pm, Saturday, October 8th. Stop by and meet your local firefighters. St. Petersburg Fire Rescue's 27th Annual Fire Prevention Block Party is Saturday October 15th, from 10am to 2pm at Fossil Park, 6635 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. St. N

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**FERRY SERVICE** Four government authorities have given the go ahead to HMS Ferries to try a six month trial ferry service connecting Downtown St. Petersburg and Downtown Tampa. The service is expected to begin



November 1st, with stops at Vinoy Harbor and the Tampa Convention Center. The proposed 98 feet long ferry can carry 200 people and up to 30 bicycles with indoor/outdoor seating and a snack bar. Traveling up to 32 knots, the \$10 trip should take about 45 minutes. If it is successful, more stops, including special trips for sporting events will be added. The ferry will look similar to the one pictured here.

## and More...

### WORLD RABIES DAY

September 28th is World Rabies Day and to celebrate, Pet Pal Animal Shelter's Veterinary Clinic is offering a FREE one year rabies vaccine with the purchase of any of the following: Exam, other vaccines, heartworm test, or FIV/FELV Test. No appointment is necessary, just show up between 8am-2pm. Rabies is an infectious viral disease that is almost always fatal following the onset of clinical signs. In more than 99% of human cases, the rabies virus is transmitted by domestic dogs. It is totally preventable, so please vaccinate your pets! Pet Pal is located at 1900 34th St. S.



**THE PURPLE XPERIENCE** Friday, September 23rd, at the St. Petersburg, Coliseum, celebrate the unique and talented life and music of Prince with this special tribute concert. The Purple Xperience, a five-piece tribute band hailing from Minneapolis, brings the memories of Prince and The Revolution to audiences of all generations. It is led by Matt Fink (aka Doctor Fink), a member of Prince and The Revolution from 1978 to 1991. Brought to you by the producers of Chillounge Night, visit [chilloungenight.com](http://chilloungenight.com), for more information or to purchase tickets.

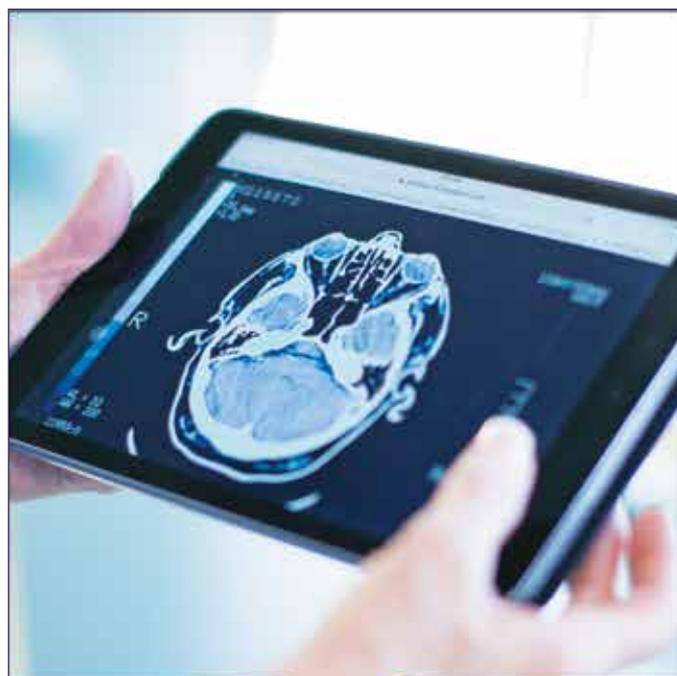
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## Something Fun To Do Nearby

### BOK TOWER GARDENS - A HOLIDAY WONDERLAND

by Becky Griffin

Lake Wales's Bok Tower Gardens, one of the area's first attractions, showcases the real Florida, untouched by time. This breathtaking gem, only one hour east of Tampa, has been enchanting visitors for over 80 years but is still one of our best-kept secrets. It was established by Pulitzer Prize-winning writer and philanthropist Edward W. Bok, who spent his winters in Lake Wales. He bought the highest hill - 298 feet above sea level - to create a bird sanctuary and garden. Today, it is the Bok Tower Gardens, a National Historic Landmark.

The original 50-acre garden was designed by noted landscape architect Fredrick Law Olmstead Jr. with 1,000 live oaks, 10,000 azaleas, 100 sabal palms, 300 magnolia trees and 500 gardenias. It took five years to design and plant. Today, it is a refuge for more than 100 bird species. Over the years, with the addition of more property, it is over 250-acres.

After he bought the garden, almost as an after thought, Bok decided to add a "singing tower." Made of pink marble and coquina, the 205-foot neo-Gothic and art deco tower houses a 60-bell carillon, one of the finest in the world. Bok died within sight of the Tower in 1930 and is buried at its base.

Although not regularly open to the public, the tower consists of eight levels, each used for a different purpose. A 211-step wrought-iron and steel staircase begins on the first level but there is also an original Otis electric elevator still used by the carillonist. Level 5 is a library, Level 6 offices and Level 7 houses the carillon.

A carillon's cast bronze bells are precisely tuned and arranged so that any key can be played, but unlike most bells, carillon bells are fixed in a frame and do not move. Instead, the clapper inside strikes the bell. Because of the bells' weight and size, a carillon is one of the largest instruments in the world. Bok Tower's 60 bells range in weight from 16 pounds to nearly 12 tons. A carillon has a keyboard, with keys connected by wires to the clappers. Keys are depressed by the player's fists and feet.

30-minute Carillon concerts are held at 1 and 3 pm daily, with short selections played on the hour and half-hour. They can be heard from many parts of the gardens. Live concerts are played mid-October through mid-May. Afterward, you can meet and talk to the carillonist.

Shortly after Bok's death, Charles Austin Buck, a Bethlehem Steel vice president built a winter home next to the gardens. The 20-room Mediterranean-style mansion, originally named "El Retiro," ("retreat" in Spanish) was completed in the mid-1930s. In an effort led by Bok's daughter-in-law Nellie Lee Holt Bok, the estate was acquired by the gardens in 1970 and renamed Pinewood Estate.

Visitors to Bok Tower Gardens may tour the historic estate throughout the year. Visitors receive a program when they enter the estate and docents are available throughout the home to answer questions. Due to its historic nature, it is not fully accessible by a wheelchair or stroller.

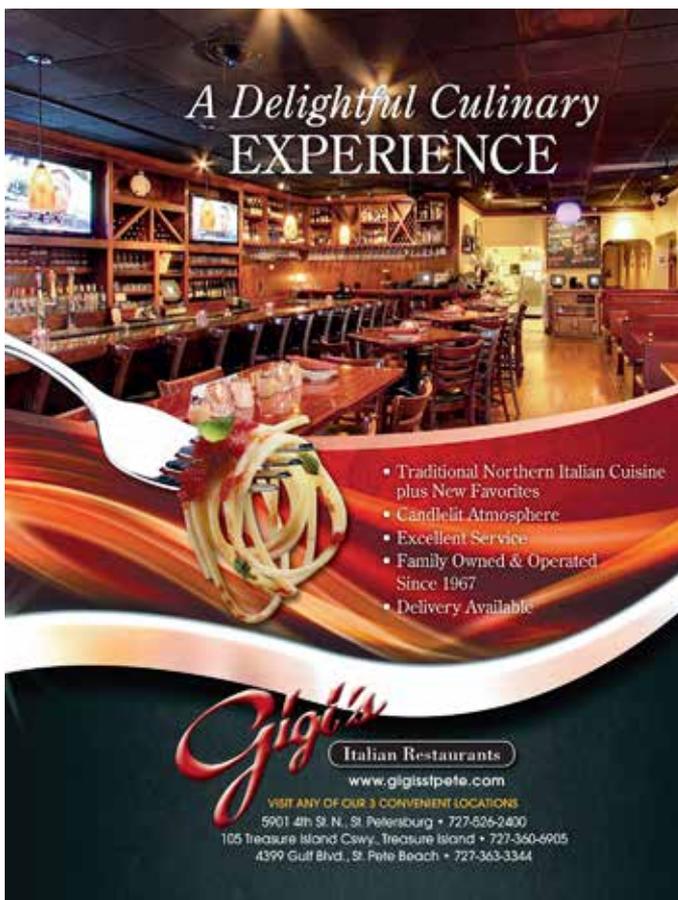
The acres of ferns, palms, oaks and pines create unique beauty all year. February and March are considered the peak bloom season with irises, azaleas, camellias and others in full bloom. During the summer, they offer a summer concert series, but buy tickets early because they always sell out. During October, enjoy their Rootstock featuring plant vendors, music, food and a spectacular display of seasonal foliage, marking the start of Florida's gardening season.

But it is during the holiday season when Bok Tower Gardens really decks their halls. Each year, a new theme is used for their celebration, and a visit has become a tradition for many Holiday lovers. Decorations and poinsettia displays are scattered throughout the property. Christmas music from the carillon can be heard throughout.

The highlight of any holiday visit is the Holiday Home Tour at Pinewood Estate. As you move from room to room a story unfolds bringing history and the Buck family to life. Each room is individually decorated by volunteers and sponsored designers following the annual theme.

Seeing all that Bok Tower Gardens has to offer is easily done in a day. Guided tours are offered. The historical museum has changing art exhibits and an up-close look at how a carillon is made and played. You can enjoy lunch or a snack in their Café and don't forget to stop in their gift shop for a plant to take home to your own garden.

Bok Tower Gardens, located at 151 Tower Blvd., Lake Wales, is open every day of the year from 8 am to 6 pm. Find more information at [boktowergardens.org](http://boktowergardens.org) or call them at 863-676-1408.



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The Tampa Bay Lightning moved on to play at the Tampa Ice Palace when it opened in 1996. After six seasons, Tampa Bay Storm also moved to the new Ice Palace.

Finally, in March of 1995, MLB Commissioner Bud Selig announced Major League Baseball was expanding once again and would add two more teams: one in Arizona, the other in St. Petersburg. Five years after the Dome opened, St Petersburg would have its baseball franchise. The ownership group was headed by Vince Naimoli and the name they choose for the team surprised many—the Devil Rays.

The stadium, while complete, was not ready for baseball. City officials approved \$70 million in improvements for a stadium that had already cost \$130 million. Naming rights for the building were sold to Tropicana Dole Beverages, the nearby Bradenton orange juice company, to help pay for the improvements. The stadium was renamed Tropicana Field. Improvements included the large rotunda on the southeast corner that became the new main entrance and a new AstroTurf field. The building was closed for a seventeen-month construction project and reopened in 1998, baseball-ready.

On March 31, 1998, the American League Devil Rays played their first ever game against the Detroit Tigers. They lost 11-6, but drew a record crowd of 45,369 fans. That day ended their twenty-plus year quest to bring a Major League Baseball team to St. Petersburg.

For 60 years, the St Louis Cardinals had called St Pete their Spring Training home, playing at Al Lang Field. That ended when the Devil Rays began using that stadium for Spring Training. Today, The Rays train in Port Charlotte and the Cardinals in Jupiter. The Tampa Bay Rowdies play in the Al Lang Stadium.

In 2008, the team shortened their name to The Tampa Bay Rays complete with new colors and logo which is still in use today. They continue to call St. Petersburg and Tropicana Field their home. However, The Rays' current ownership has long hinted that the 26-year-old Tropicana Field will not work for the future. The team is considering building a new baseball facility, hopefully staying in the Tampa Bay area.

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In a follow-up to last month's article about how residents can help prevent sewer overflows during heavy rains, here is an update on the city of St. Petersburg's efforts to mitigate the effects of wet weather and/or storms on its aging infrastructure.

### Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation

In October 2015, the city began a three phase Wet Weather Overflow Mitigation Project. The first phase evaluated capabilities and peaking factors of the city's wastewater collection and water reclamation facilities. Phase two is now underway. Phase two will identify areas in the city's wastewater collection system that has excess infiltration and inflow and will enable the city to target repairs in those areas with the greatest need. This process is expected to be completed by the spring of 2017.

Subject to final budget approval, City Council has approved \$10.5 million for sewer rehab in Fiscal Year 17, increasing to \$14.5 million per year from Fiscal Year 2018 through 2021. (The city's fiscal year runs October 1 through September 30.)

### Southwest Water Reclamation Facility

Phase one of the study also recommended enhancements to the city's three water reclamation plants. Following the recent overflow issues associated with Tropical Storm Colin, City Council requested that improvements to increase treatment and hydraulic capacity of the Southwest Water Reclamation Facility be expedited. Council preliminarily approved \$34 million for the expansion of the plant to include:

- Additional influent screening capacity
- Construct fourth secondary clarifier
- Additional effluent filtration capacity
- Additional capacity in the chlorine contact basin
- Additional effluent pumping capacity
- Two additional injection wells (one will probably be off site)

In addition, the 15 million gallon storage tank, previously funded and under construction at the Southwest plant, is in the final phase of testing and will be fully online soon to provide more capacity and added flexibility.

### Albert Whitted Reclamation Facility

The decision to decommission the Albert Whitted Reclamation Facility was made and approved by City Council in 2011. The plant, constructed in 1925, is the smallest and oldest of the city's four reclamation plants. Following updated regulatory requirements by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, it was no longer economically feasible to operate the plant due to its constrained site conditions and limited on-site storage capacity for reclaimed water.

Following the recent heavy rain events, the decision was made by City Council in August, 2016, to maintain the facility for equalization only, using it for additional emergency storage in the event of heavy rains or stress on the wastewater collection system until the enhancements at the Southwest plant are complete. For additional information on city wet weather mitigation projects, contact city Public Works administrator Claude Tankersley at 727-893-7841 or [claudetankersley@stpete.org](mailto:claudetankersley@stpete.org).

### Public Hearings in September - Utility Rates

City Council will consider a proposed Fiscal Year 17 rate increase of 9.75% for reclaimed water and 4.25% for potable water during two public hearings in September. Public Hearings are scheduled for September 8 at 8:30 a.m. and September 26 at 6 p.m. and will be held in Council Chamber, St. Petersburg City Hall, 175 Fifth Street North.



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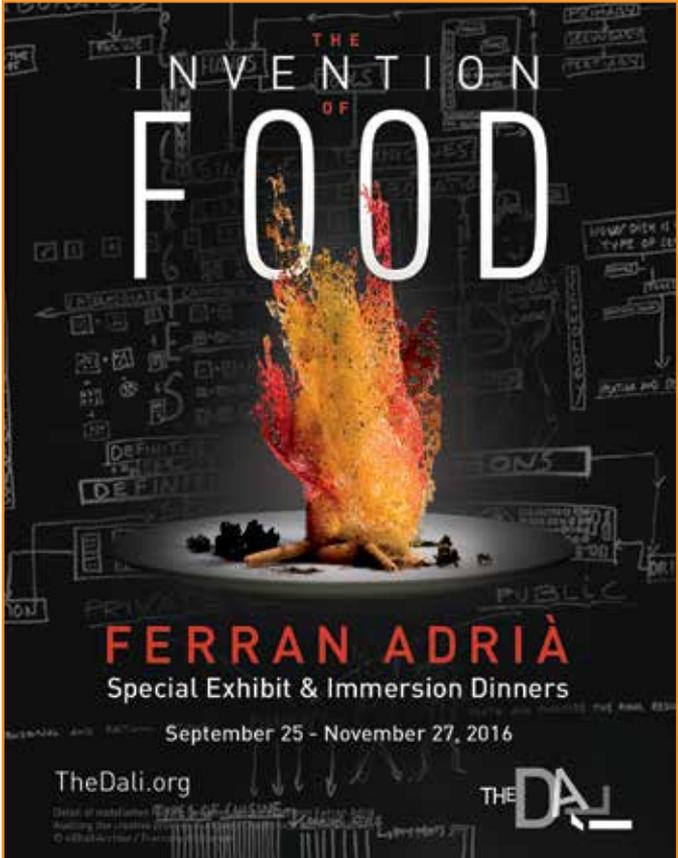
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## SECOND ANNUAL CENTRAL AVENUE SOLSTICE

September 24, from sunrise to sunset along the entire 7-mile length of Central Avenue from Tampa Bay to the Gulf of Mexico. Activities will begin on the east end of Central Avenue at sunrise, followed by art demonstrations, family activities, markets, restaurant specials, music and live performances throughout the day at more than three dozen locations, and finally closing with a sunset celebration on the west end.

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Matzevot for Everyday Use opens October 15th. Feature photographs taken all over Eastern Europe by Polish photographer Lukasz Baksik to document the ways in which Jewish gravestones have been stolen and re-appropriated. The matzevot are now parts of fences, pavements, and even grindstones. Today, the matzevot continue to be used in cases where ordinary stone, of which there is no shortage, could be used.

## ST. PETE MUSEUM OF HISTORY 727-894-1052

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Happy Hour with the Historian - Cigar City Mafia, A Look at Organized Crime in Tampa September 8

Bootlegging, gambling, arson and gang murders were a variety of activities that flourished in the era of Prohibition, but the backdrop isn't Chicago, it's sunny Florida. Author and Mafia expert Scott Deitche will share stories of Tampa's infamous organized crime past as Happy Hour with the Historian returns. Doors open at 6:30 and admission is a \$5 suggested donation.

## THE JAMES MUSEUM

100 Central Ave

www.thejamesmuseum.org

Plans are underway for the closing of Central Avenue between 1st and 2nd Streets, diverting pedestrians, bicycles, and motor vehicles to 1st Avenues North or South, during periods of intense construction activity over the next 12 months. When done, this will be the permanent home of 400-500 premier works of art selected from the more than 3,000 pieces acquired by Tom and Mary James over their 50 years of collecting

## SIBLINGS GIVING BACK TO THEIR COMMUNITY

Zoe Leousis, 12 and Aris Leousis, 11, could have done anything this past year with their Saturday afternoons or time off this summer. Instead, these two middle school students decided to put their knowledge and passion for local history to good use and applied for leadership positions as Junior Docents Volunteers at Heritage Village.

Heritage Village is a 21-acre open-air living history museum located in the heart of Pinellas County. The natural pine and palmetto landscape is home to some of Pinellas County's most historic buildings.



Zoe Leousis

"I enjoy teaching people about local history. Watching adults and kids learn about how things were back in the 19th century during my tours is always nice", explains Zoe, a student at Plato Academy Clearwater and an Indian Rocks Beach resident.

A little nervous at first, Zoe says after a while everything just seemed to fall into place. "The program really helped me out by giving me more confidence and helping me speak in front of a large group of people, even if they are only kids. The other day a parent told me I was a good role model to her kids and that felt really great."

The more than 31 historic structures and features include a school, church, railroad depot, sponge warehouse, sugar mill and general store as well as a range of historic homes, including the McMullen-Coachman Log Cabin, the oldest existing structure in the county, and the Queen Anne-style House of Seven Gables.

"My favorite part is teaching living history activities", explains Aris who is also a student at Plato Academy Clearwater, " For example, I teach kids how Floridians did laundry and maintained their gardens in the 1800s. Once I give visitors a demonstration, they also get to try it and it is a lot of fun!"

As volunteers, Zoe and Aris donate their time at Heritage Village by learning about local and Florida history and researching and presenting guided tours. Their compassion, patience and generosity truly makes them exemplary role models to other children and young adults.

"Our parents have always told us that volunteers do not necessarily have the time, they just have the heart," says Zoe. Both siblings agree that giving back to their community is "important and makes you a better person!"

Heritage Village is located at 11909 125th Street, Largo. Call 582-2100 for more information.

*In addition to Docents, Heritage Village has other volunteer opportunities in the 21-acre history museum, including guest experiences (reception, tours and demonstrations) grounds, safety, maintenance, historic preservation activities, conservation, housekeeping, office and administrative functions, fundraising, programs, festivals exhibits and unique undertakings like the McKay Creek Boat Shop and the 1967 Caboose restoration.*



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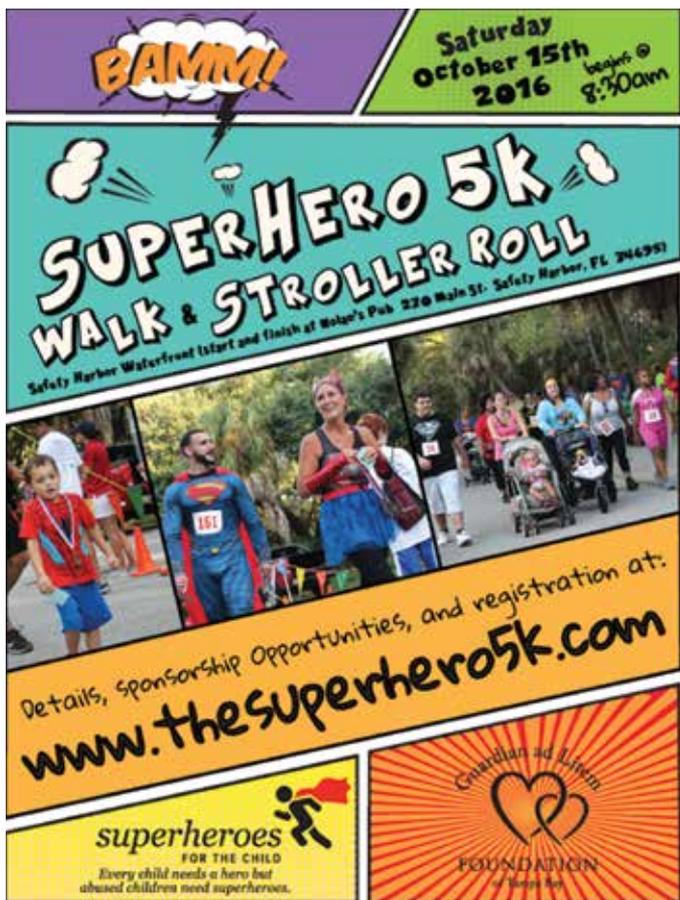
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An independent record store, they sell old 45s, albums, and CDs, but much of their inventory is new. They have thousands of records and CDs. "I don't even know how many we have," says manager Manny Kool, (not his real name). They sell new CD's \$5 and up.

"People bring us their old music for us to sell," Manny says. "This is like an antique shop—for music. The price can vary depending on a number of factors."

According to Manny, the quality of the album or CD is the first factor, followed by the desirability of the music or artist. One record may have had many regenerations, so the oldest version may be worth more than the newest."

"I love the expression on the faces of our first timers," Manny chuckles. "They feel like they have just discovered a treasure chest full of gold and diamonds."

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They also sell concert tickets and have direct access to tickets for Tampa Bay venues and touring artists. If a few extra tickets go on sale to a sold out show, they know.

Daddy Kool Records is located at 666 Central Avenue. Open seven days a week, they specialize in new, used and rare vinyl singles and LPs, New CDs, DVDs and Blu-Ray discs, T-shirts, posters, collectible toys, concert tickets, gift cards and more. Visit [DaddyKoolRecords.com](http://DaddyKoolRecords.com) or call 822-KOOL (5665).

## VOLUNTEER BICYCLE MECHANIC RECEIVES KEY TO CITY

At age 70, retired bicycle mechanic Patrick Ruta volunteers at the St. Petersburg Free Clinic to repair donated bikes that provide local low-income residents with reliable transportation to work or school. In recognition of Ruta's volunteer service, the St. Petersburg City Council presented him with a key to the city.

After working as a bike mechanic for 30 years, Ruta helped revive the Free Clinic's bicycle program in 2010. Ruta cleans and repairs donated bicycles to make sure they're safe and dependable, and adjusts each bike to match the recipient's height and weight. He typically volunteers 80-100 hours each month.

"Patrick is committed to giving back to our community through this essential service," said Beth Houghton, the Free Clinic's executive director. "With his skill, the bike program can provide reliable transportation to residents who need it."

The bicycles allow recipients to travel to work or school, which helps reduce the number of missed or late days. In turn, job retention rates increase and school attendance rates improve.

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### ONE CONSTRUCTION MOVING QUICKLY



Sales for the new ONE Condominium have been so brisk, construction began ahead of schedule. The Hyatt Grand Hotel on the west side of the large block started first and since it will not be as tall as ONE, and needed less foundation work, it is farther along. The

hotel is projected to be open by the summer of 2017. The condo construction is fully underway. "Sales have far exceeded the developer's expectations," says Dave Traynor, VP of Developer Services for Smith & Associates. "We had buyers for over 60% of the residences in just the first 3 months of summer sales—that is over 30 families!" Pre-construction pricing has ended, but the developer is still offering a flexible deposit schedule beginning with 10% at signing. ONE is scheduled to be completed by the Fall of 2018. Visit OneStPetersburg.com.

**NEW CHOCOLATE MAKER** Kathy Gautheron is the new owner of Schokolad Chocolate Factory at the corner of Central Ave. and 4th St. Drop by the candy shop and welcome her.

# Business Briefs



**SUNDIAL FOR SALE** Bill Edwards purchased and remodeled the former BayWalk Center, renamed it Sundial, then filled it with high end merchants and restaurants. Now he is ready to sell it. He is a real estate guy and with St Pete exploding

with development, it feels the time is right to explore his options. There is no asking price, he is asking for sealed bids. Estimates are they will be in the 50 to 60 million dollar range. If he gets the right bid he will take it, if not, he will keep running it.

**FROZEN YOGURT ON CENTRAL** A new yogurt store is under construction at 449 Central Avenue.

**HOOKER TEA CHANGES OWNERSHIP** The tea shop at 300 Beach Drive recently changed names and owners. Now called Infused Tea, Raymond Ritola, a part of Hooker's ownership group is now the sole owner. Otherwise, there are no other changes.

**GALLERY HOTEL** This deluxe hotel is breaking ground at the corner of 2nd St. and 3rd Avenue North. Called the Gallery Hotel, it will have retail on the ground level.

## OUT OF BUSINESS OR MOVED

**MICHELE TUEGEL GALLERY** Due to an increase in rent, the gallery closed at the end of August. Her fixtures are for sale. Call Michele at 823-1100.

**POOR RICHARD'S FRAMING GALLERY** is not closing, it is relocating. Call Gilbert Johnson at 204-0858.

**PIA ESTHETICS**, the Day Spa on 1st Street N. moved to 1900 MLK Jr. N. See their services at [www.PiaSpa.com](http://www.PiaSpa.com).

**HERMITAGE** This large, new apartment complex, located between 7th and 8th Streets, on First Avenue S. is nearing the end of construction. "We expect to be moving in tenants in October," says Andrew Koontz, Property Manager. Get more information at [www.HermitageStPetersburgFL.com](http://www.HermitageStPetersburgFL.com).



**YMCA PROJECT** The property was purchased in November, but nothing has been done yet. Owner and dual-resident of St Pete and Miami Nick Ekonomou says they are working with city inspectors to get code problems addressed, especially cleaning graffiti off the 1926 building, which is not easy. "The Y's old sandstone surface can not just be painted," said Ekonomou. The owner has plans to turn the building into a boutique hotel with an upscale restaurant and event venue.

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## THE BELLEVIEW BILTMORE...REPURPOSED

By Bob Griffin, Publisher

As most know, they are demolishing the Belleview Biltmore Hotel. What you may not know is what they are doing with all the lumber, doors and windows being removed. It is all being recycled, actually repurposed, by people who want to save a piece of history.

JMC Communities purchased the 118-year old hotel and plans to build 104 midrise residences, 28 carriage homes, and a boutique hotel that will pay homage to the original 1897 hotel in its place.

The Biltmore Construction Company, hired to do the deconstruction, partnered with Schiller Architectural & Design Salvage in Tampa to display and sell the old hotel's remnants. Demolition began 16 months ago. They are taking it apart piece-by-piece, salvaging anything valuable or that can be reused.

"JMC asked us to receive, display and sell the parts of the old hotel that can be reused," says Larry Schiller of Schiller's Salvage. "The people from Biltmore Construction are doing the actual removal process. We have a few trailers on the site: when they are full, we bring them to Tampa and see what we have."

When the miscellaneous wood and antiques show up, they are separated and stored in various parts of their warehouse. Planks are stacked on top of each

other outside. Hotel room doors are standing, stacked like dominoes, with more outside in a container. Windows are a very popular item. Chandeliers, small room lights, sinks, toilets, medicine cabinets, and more are all in the warehouse. "There are over 1,000 doors and 2,000 windows," says a JMC Communities representative.

Items range from small to large, cheap to expensive. A small chandelier is \$2,000—a larger one is \$3,700.



"Many people come in because they attended a big event at the Biltmore and they want to have a piece of the hotel," Schiller says. "They all want to tell us their stories about the hotel. One lady I met had her wedding there. She wanted a little memento. She bought a window we had turned into a chalkboard."

"Actress Kirstie Alley (from the TV show Cheers) was here last week, and bought room dividers. I don't know what she plans to do with them," says Schiller.

Two local television stations broadcast stories on Schiller's salvage process. People from outside of Florida are calling to ask what they have. Schiller directs them to his website.

"Someone brought us a window salvaged from the Biltmore and we turned it into this conversation piece," says Mary Byrd, owner of Belleair's Frame Factory.

Owners of the recently opened Oggi Italian Restaurant, on Tampa's Davis Island, purchased many of the planks and covered the restaurant's walls. It immediately gives the place an old time look and feel.

If you want to visit to see what is available, Shiller's Salvage is located at 1002 N. Rome Avenue in Tampa. Their website is [SchillersSalvage.com](http://SchillersSalvage.com). Call them at 813-443-4641.



# SHOULD YOUR HEAD TRUMP YOUR HEART?



**R**eal Estate gurus give lists of good advice to house hunters. Determine how much house you can afford and stick to your budget. Make a list of your wants and needs and fulfill needs before wants. Investigate the neighborhood. Negotiate the price. Have a building inspection. Keep checking all web sites to see if new properties come on the market.

When emotions conflict with good intentions to stick to the lists, house hunters face difficult dilemmas. If they completely tie down their emotions, check off all items on the lists and buy a house that doesn't quite feel right, chances are that house will never feel quite right. It's like a couple choosing to marry because it seems like the logical thing to do, and hoping someday they will learn to love each other.



By the same token, if emotions overrule budget or realistic notions of needed repairs, the dream home can quickly slip into a money pit taking all extra expendable money, fun, and dreams right along with it.

Finding a property that seems to be just the right one, then waiting and to see if a better one will become available in this escalating market, usually means the first one will be gone and the next one will be more expensive.

Buying a house in a place one never wanted to live in the first place is a recipe for disaster if living happily ever after is a goal.

There is a lot more than sticks and stones or blocks and mortar, appraisals and inspections, mortgage rates and full disclosure in a "home" purchase. Your home is your nest, the edges are softer. The happiest buyers choose with their hearts and confirm or justify with their heads.

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## Bar & Restaurant News

### THIRSTY FIRST LOUNGE NOW OPEN

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**DAILY EATS NOW CHICKEN** The owners of Fresh Kitchen on 4th Street N. have been building a new concept on the same site once called Daily Eats, but their plans have changed. Now, they are planning a different restaurant called Better Byrd, a quick service concept specializing in chicken. Look for it to open soon at 4447 Fourth Street N.

### OKTOBERFEST TIME

October is coming and that means Oktoberfest! You know what that means, its time to drink some beer and make some noise.



The Hofbräuhaus officially kicked off their Oktoberfest on September 16th with the celebration of their St. Pete location's 1st Anniversary. The Hofbräuhaus is located at 124 Fourth Street S. Get more information at [HofbrauhausStPetersburg.com](http://HofbrauhausStPetersburg.com).



### PROPER—UNDER CONSTRUCTION

This new restaurant is scheduled to open on First Avenue South next to The Avenue in the next 60 to 90 days. It will be owned by The Avenue's owner, Steve Schрутt.

**THE INDEPENDENT RETURNS** The Independent once open on 3rd Street N., traveled to Tampa's Seminole Heights, and is now back in St Pete at 1049 Central Avenue. Owner, Veronica Danko, leased the site of the former Amsterdam Café and plans to bring her concept to the middle of the Edge District. The new Independent will specialize in craft beer, billing itself an *Original World Class Beer Hall*. "After speaking to former customers and brewery owners, I am convinced that the St Pete Indie will be a welcome addition to St Pete's booming beer scene," says Veronica. Look for it to open early next month.

## Bar & Restaurant News

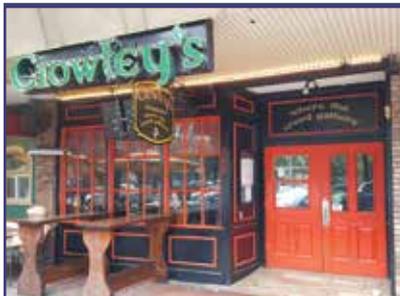


### SUSHI BATTLE

Be part of a battle for the ages between Tampa Bay's best sushi joints, Thursday, September 29th at the St Pete Coliseum, from 5:30 to 9:30pm. Sake Tastings, Sake Bombs,

Karaoke, Godzilla, Taiko Drums, & other entertainment will make this a battle to remember. Tickets are \$40 for General Admission and \$20 if you want to enjoy the Sake Sampling, too. VIP tickets are \$70 and include early entry and sake sampling (only 200 are available). Get more info and buy tickets at [www.SushiBattleTampa.com](http://www.SushiBattleTampa.com).

**BUYA RAMEN ON CENTRAL** This new Japanese-styled restaurant, opened in August. Buya (pronounced Boo-yah) has no sushi, it is a izakaya (gastropub) with an old St Pete atmosphere. Most of the main menu items are served in a broth (the base of a good ramen) and range in price from \$14-\$18. Owned by Mike Sponaugle and brothers Brian and Kevin Wojtowicz, Chef Sean Squires is in the kitchen. Buya is located at 911 Central Avenue. Call 202-7010 for more information.



### CROWLEY'S CLOSED?

This once popular Irish Pub, at 269 Central Ave., has been closed for over a month with a sign on the door that says *On Vacation*. Crowley's, a family owned business has been having some financial issues and at

one time had a pending for sale, which fell through and is now in court. In the meantime, we have one less Irish Pub downtown.

**BATTLE OF THE BURG(ER) RETURNS** For the 5th year, Grand Central District restaurants will be participating in the Battle of the Burg(er), a month-long contest to determine who serves the best burger. During September, diners are invited to eat at 11 participating restaurants to taste the entries and then vote online for their favorite.

Participating restaurants include: Casita Taqueria – 2663 Central Avenue, Engine Rose – 2901 Central Avenue, Old Key West Bar & Grill – 2451 Central Avenue, Punky's Bar & Grill – 3063 Central Avenue, The Burg Bar & Grill – 1752 Central Avenue, The Queenshead – 2501 Central Avenue, and Zaytoon Grill – 1618 Central Avenue.

For the first time, there will be a separate category for Vegetarian Burgers. Visit [www.grandcentraldistrict.org](http://www.grandcentraldistrict.org) for more information.

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## A VIEW OF THE MANGROVES

As the sun rises on the mangrove forest, egrets rustle from their roosts to take flight while the caws of blue herons break the morning silence. The area teems with life above and below the water largely due to the cluster of mangroves lining the shore.

Mangroves provide shelter to a wide variety of animals, in addition to many other benefits that aren't quite as well known. Mangrove trees and shrubs are Florida native species that grow in coastal intertidal zones consisting of a mixture of fresh and saltwater. They protect and stabilize the coastline and provide a habitat that supports a wide variety of fish and other wildlife. Mangroves are protected in Florida because of the important roles they play in protecting the environment and contributing to economic development.

"Many people may not realize that billions of dollars of Florida's annual economy are indirectly generated by mangroves," said Mark Langford, environmental consultant for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. "Mangroves help protect species of fish and shellfish that are the foundation of Florida's seafood industry – an industry that employs more than 100,000 people."

In addition to wildlife protection, mangrove forests also help prevent or significantly reduce erosion caused by storm surges, currents, waves and tides.

"Their dense growth pattern and intertwining branches, roots, and trunks not only hold land and soil in place, but also create a cushion to reduce some of the wave and storm energy striking the shoreline. That is something even a seawall can't do," says Langford.

Mangroves also act as natural filters. They protect the area water quality by removing nutrients and pollutants from

*Florida Department of Environmental Protection, [dep.state.fl.us](http://dep.state.fl.us)*

stormwater runoff before it reaches seagrass habitats and coral reefs. Mangroves also provide a home for filter feeding organisms such as oysters and barnacles, which also improve the water quality.

"Mangroves must be protected from irresponsible cutting and destruction because of the important roles they play in maintaining the overall quality of the environment," said Langford. "However, DEP provides best practices for those homeowners wishing to trim mangroves in accordance with state law."

Homeowners with a shoreline of 150 feet or less may trim mangroves located on their property within a fringe that is 50 feet wide or less and that are between 6 and 10 feet in height above the ground. These mangroves cannot be trimmed lower than 6 feet in height. Owners of property with a shoreline of more than 150 feet cannot trim more than 65 percent of the mangroves along their shoreline.

"Mangrove trimming beyond what is allowed in this exemption will require the services of a professional mangrove trimmer and may require a permit," said Langford.

For more information or to ask questions about mangroves on your property, contact Pinellas County's mangrove trimming program at 727-453-3385 or the Florida Department of Environmental Protection at 813-470-5700 or [dep.state.fl.us](http://dep.state.fl.us).

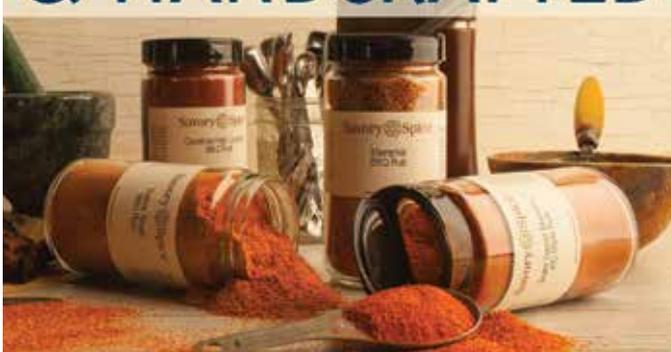


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## BRINING HOLIDAY MEALS

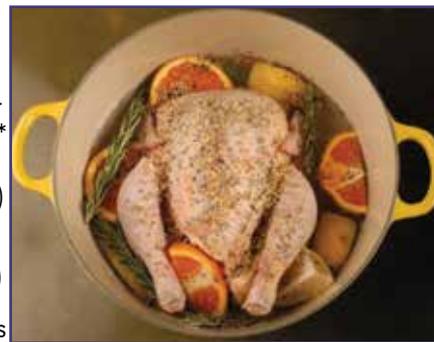
Brining with our easy-to-use brining mix will infuse your protein with flavor and ensure it remains tender and juicy while it cooks.

### Ingredients

1 whole turkey or other protein, plus enough water or other liquid to cover protein\*

For each gallon of water (or other liquid\*) used:

- 1 C kosher salt
- 1/2 C sugar (optional)
- 3 - 4 Tbsp. Citrus & Savory Brining Spices



### Directions

1. Place turkey in a large, non-reactive, food-safe container (glass, stainless steel, or brining bag) that is deep enough to allow water to cover the turkey, large enough to allow brine to move freely and will also fit in the fridge.

2. Cover the turkey with water, measuring by the gallon. For each gallon of water, put 1 C. kosher salt, 1/2 C. sugar, and 3 to 4 Tbsp. Brining Spices in a separate saucepan.

3. Remove 1 1/2 cups of the water from the turkey and add it to the saucepan. Bring to a boil until salt and sugar dissolve and spices release their aroma.

4. Let seasoned liquid cool to room temperature. You can add ice cubes to speed up cooling time, then pour seasoned liquid back into the water and the turkey.

5. Cover and refrigerate per the Brine Times chart below.

6. When brining is complete, remove turkey, discard brine, thoroughly rinse turkey and pat it dry. Tip: Store turkey in the refrigerator until skin is completely dry. This extra drying time will help produce a nice, crispy skin when roasted.

For brining times and suggestions, visit [savoryspiceshop.com/recipes/citrus-savory-brining-instructions.html](http://savoryspiceshop.com/recipes/citrus-savory-brining-instructions.html).

\*Notes: Add more flavor by replacing up to a quarter of the water with one or more of the following: distilled alcohols, apple juice/cider, beer, citrus or tomato juice, broth/stock, tea, flavored vinegar, or wine.

Recipe brought to you by Paul W. Bailey, owner of Savory Spice Shop, 400 Beach Drive NE #173, downtown St. Pete. Call him at 290-9893.

## DOWNTOWN ST. PETE IS THRIVING

may know, work has begun on ONE St. Petersburg, which will be Pinellas County's tallest building upon completion. Across the street, construction is beginning on the museum that will house Tom James' collection. Demolition on the St. Petersburg Pier is almost complete, and the early stages of construction on the new Pier and Pier District will begin soon. Buildings are being demolished on the 400 Block of Central to make way for something new, and the relocated Chihuly and new Publix are nearing completion.

As always, I could not be more thankful for your patience and understanding. There is a lot of work being done, and it's not always convenient. But in the end, we will be better than ever.

Finally, September is our month to celebrate the arts, beginning with the SHINE Mural Festival and SPF16. The festival consists of over 57 events at over 149 venues with the involvement of over 102 organizations, performers, and groups during the entire month of September. Learn more about the festival at [www.SPFestival.com](http://www.SPFestival.com).



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The new St. Petersburg Pier has had an active summer, although most of the activity of has taken place behind the scenes. More visible changes will take place in early 2017, when construction gets underway.

As demolition of the old pier and the permitting process move toward completion, the question on the minds of many residents is "what will I be able to do at the new Pier?"

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To see learn more about the project and for information about the Open House events, please visit [www.newstpetepier.com](http://www.newstpetepier.com)

**Future milestones:**

Demolition of existing structure completed in September 2016

Three Pier Open House events are being planned in September 2016.

The design will be reconciled with the construction budget.

End of 2016 – Construction documents and permitting completed.

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## BILL McMANNIS - A FLYING TIGER EVEN AT 100

*An Interview by Bob Griffin, Publisher*

Bill McMannis has seen a lot over his hundred years including hurricanes, World War II and the growth of his St Petersburg. McMannis, who has lived on the 9th floor of the Bayfront Towers for over 30 years. He celebrated his 100th birthday at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club on August 31.

McMannis was born in 1916 in Girard, PA. In 1920, his mother moved him and his older brother, Jim, to Shore Blvd in Gulfport, just in time for the Hurricane of 1921.

"We had water up to our knees inside our house," he remembers. "I wasn't worried. I was a kid; I thought it was exciting."

McMannis went to Gulfport Elementary and then St Pete High. He loved to fish and often sold his catch to support his family. One day, a guest at a nearby hotel wanted to go fishing. It was Babe Ruth. He hired McMannis to take him on his boat.

McMannis attended the University of Michigan in the late 1930s and was active in both football and track.

"In 1940, when I finished college, I could not find a job—anywhere—doing anything, so I slept at the YMCA," McMannis admits.

Just down the road, was the YWCA, where the women slept. One day, they invited all the guys down for a dance. That is where McMannis met Katherine (Kay). They married before the war. "I chased her until she caught me," he adds with a chuckle.

A friend of McMannis gave him a job washing airplanes and later taught McMannis to fly, too. "He had four planes and I got to fly them quite a bit," said McMannis.

In the 1940s the war was heating up. "My brother, Jim, was one of the first in Gulfport to volunteer," adds McMannis. Instead of getting drafted, McMannis, joined the U.S. Army Air Corp.



*A restored Flying Tiger plane, on display in a museum*

In 1941, an all-volunteer secret air force was created in China, known later as The Flying Tigers. They With only one hundred P-40 fighter planes in their air force, they successfully pushed the Japanese out of China. In January of 1942, the Flying Tigers destroyed 73 Japanese aircraft while losing only five of their own.

Since the U.S. was not technically at war with Japan until after the attack on Pearl Harbor, the Flying Tigers were an unofficial American air force authorized by President Roosevelt. Their fighter planes were well recognized because their noses were painted to look like sharks with big teeth. Walt Disney later designed a flying tiger graphic and they added it to both sides of the planes.

The Flying Tigers were later made famous in many 1940s



*Bill and Kay McMannis with one of their planes*

books and movies with actors, such as--John Wayne, John Carrol, Fred Astaire and Joseph Cotten in starring roles.

The U.S. ended their "secret air force" after the attack on Pearl Harbor. McMannis personally commanded hundreds of B-25 lightweight, bomber missions over occupied China under the command of the famous Claire L. Chennault (aka The Old Man).

McMannis is a permanent member of the "Hump Club," pilots who flew C-47 supply planes over the Himalayas in China. "There aren't many of us left," McMannis reminds me.

When the war was over, the McMannis' returned to St. Petersburg. Work was scarce. With a G.I. Bill loan, they bought a small duplex. He rented out the other half to a lineman working for Florida Power, who suggested McMannis get a job doing what he was doing--stringing power lines around the County. "It was a job—and I needed a job—so I took it," says McMannis.

Years later, when Florida Power and the City of St. Petersburg decided to bury all the power lines downtown, McMannis became one of the main supervisors of that project. "I put a lot of lines under the streets of St. Pete," McMannis adds.

McMannis retired at age 60 but never lost his love for boats and planes. "I had many boats, and they were all named Peridot (#1, #2, #3, etc.) his wife's birthstone. He and Kay were members of the St. Petersburg Yacht Club for decades. He and Kay were married for 67 years, until she died in 2009.

He also bought and owned three small planes, Bonazas, which he kept at Albert Whitted Airport. His wife, Kay, even learned how to fly.

From his 9th floor condo in the Bayfront Towers he could see his boat and his plane—at the same time.

Over a hundred people turned out for Bill McMannis's 100th birthday party at the Yacht Club to help celebrate his long and happy life.



*Bill as he celebrated his 100th birthday.*



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Pete Wine & Food Festival returns on November 2nd, 2016 to celebrate five days and nights of culinary aficionados and wine enthusiasts.

Matt Dieter, festival CEO and co-founder, says: "We're really excited for the second year of our event. We moved to Nov. 2-6 to provide some cooler weather and we've added another event – the Tacos and Tequila Festival hosted by Red Mesa."

The St. Pete Wine & Food Festival is bringing together a passionate foodie community, renowned local chefs, and anyone else with a hankering for great cuisine and lively festivities. Prepared under elegant white tents along the waterfront of North Straub Park, the festival features a robust schedule:

**Charity Pairings Dinner** - Wednesday, November 2nd, The Birchwood Ballroom (7 – 10pm)

Benefiting the St. Petersburg Arts Alliance, the dinner consists of 6 courses, each paired with a specially selected wine. Cocktail attire is recommended for this exclusive event (only 120 tickets available).

**Tacos and Tequila Festival hosted by Red Mesa** - Thursday November 3rd, North Straub Park (6 – 9pm)

The dining spread promises a tasty taco extravaganza and topnotch selections of tequila plus the opportunity to sample designer margaritas.

**BEER Night St. Pete** - Friday, November 4th, North Straub Park (5:30 – 9:30pm)

Celebrating St. Petersburg's burgeoning craft beer industry, this upscale beer tasting will feature over 100 beers and ciders selected from top local and regional breweries. The all-inclusive pricing includes beer and restaurant tastings.

**Grand Tastings** - Saturday and Sunday, November 5th and 6th, North Straub Park (1 – 5pm)

The centerpiece of the SPWFF, the two grand tasting sessions feature over 100 wines and samples from Tampa Bay's finest gourmet restaurants. "Casual chic" attire and a fun, memorable experience with spouses, significant others and friends is the theme of the day. The events will also feature area artists working at their craft and an interactive community art piece.

The Tacos and Tequila Festival, BEER Night and the Grand Tastings are all-inclusive—one price gets patrons unlimited tastings and an experience of a lifetime. Tickets are available online at [StPeteWineAndFoodFest.com](http://StPeteWineAndFoodFest.com) or [SPWFF.com](http://SPWFF.com). VIP tickets are also available. VIPs will gain access to the event 1 hour before the general admission and will have access to a VIP lounge. All attendees must be 21 years of age or older.

The St. Pete Wine & Food Festival is produced by Matt Dieter and Dawna Stone of Beach Drive Events with sponsorship support in part from Publix, Tampa Bay Times, tbt\*, Tampa Bay Magazine, LocalsDISH Magazine, 10 News, iHeart Media, Crown Automotive, Alessi Foods and the City of St. Petersburg. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the St. Petersburg Arts Alliance and the Waterfront Parks Foundation. To connect with the festival via social media: [StPeteWineAndFoodFest.com](http://StPeteWineAndFoodFest.com), [Facebook.com/SPWFF](https://www.facebook.com/SPWFF), [Twitter](https://twitter.com/SPWFF) and [Instagram: @SPWFF](https://www.instagram.com/SPWFF), [BeerNightStPete.com](http://BeerNightStPete.com), [Facebook.com/BEERSTPETE](https://www.facebook.com/BEERSTPETE), [Twitter](https://twitter.com/BEERSTPETE) and [Instagram: @BEERSTPETE](https://www.instagram.com/BEERSTPETE)

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### GFWC ST. PETERSBURG WOMAN'S CLUB

The Summer is over and the Woman's Club is gearing up for the fall. They meet monthly on the second Friday at 1pm. The next meetings will be:

October 14th will include a musical program by teacher Glenda Mauger and student group from North Shore Elementary. The Club is collecting used musical instruments, such as clarinets, horns, etc., to donate to the school.

November 11th the local Red Cross, who is celebrating 100 years of active service in St Pete, will have a presentation. During WWII, the Woman's Club was the first Florida chapter to work with the National Red Cross. Woman's Club founding President Mrs. Charles Esterly, called the initial meeting of what was to become the St Pete Red Cross. Many of the Club's officers became involved in the local Red Cross.

Hands-On Service members continue to quilt, sew and stuff items for Hospice, Sally House and area nursing homes.

The St. Petersburg Woman's Club, affiliated with the General Federation Of Woman's Clubs is a not-for-profit volunteer organization serving the community through hands-on projects and fundraising as well as leadership development. For information, e-mail JBWJBW1@Verizon.net, call (727) 822-4982 or visit: StPetersburgWomansClub.org

### ST. PETE DNA

On September 24, they will tackle cleaning Downtown's Waterfront. Volunteers meet at Pioneer Park (Central Ave. at Beach Drive) at 8am for free food and instructions.

They are working with the Shuffleboard Club to restore their benches and the large sign in front of the club. Volunteers are needed for this project on Sunday, October 16th.

The organization represents residents downtown from 5th Ave. N to 5th Ave. S and includes the Edge District. The association aims to build a stronger community by bringing neighbors together and serving as a collective voice for downtown issues.

General meetings are quarterly with guest speakers, and social events are scheduled throughout the year. The next meeting is October 13th at 7pm at the Museum of Fine Arts. Members and non-members are welcome. Membership is \$15 per year for individuals or \$20 per household. Associate memberships for those who do not reside downtown are \$20 per year. Visit [stpetdna.org](http://stpetdna.org).

### ROTARY CLUB OF ST. PETERSBURG

The Rotary Club of St. Petersburg recently awarded more than \$17,000 to 11 organizations from proceeds of its trust fund during a recent meeting. These awards have been presented annually since 1962 to organizations that assist disabled children and other worthy charitable causes.

Meeting are at the St. Pete Yacht Club at 11 Central Ave., every Friday at noon. This year's president is Bond Thomas. For information, call 822-3277 or visit [SPRotary.org](http://SPRotary.org).

### NORTHEAST LITTLE LEAGUE

David Vann is the new President; e-mail him at [PRESIDENT@NortheastLL.com](mailto:PRESIDENT@NortheastLL.com). He has three kids playing ball (6, 10 and 13) and has been involved with the Little League for five years.

Fall Ball has begun. As always they are in need of sponsors and money. Most people do not realize they own and operates their own facility and they give away about 40 scholarships per season to underprivileged kids who cannot pay. It costs about \$150 per scholarships. All donations are appreciated. Get information at [www.NortheastLL.com](http://www.NortheastLL.com).

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## **DOWNTOWN RESIDENTS CIVIC ASSOCIATION**

Membership is open to all downtown residential community associations and is expanding. All community associations located in the area to the east of 10th Street and from 14th Avenue North to 14th Avenue South are eligible to be members of DCRA. Current members include: Bayfront Towers, The Cloisters, The Florencia, Harbor Hill, Signature Place, Vinoy Place and McNulty Lofts. For information, contact Marion Lee, President, at 894-9491 or visit [StPete-DRCA.org](http://StPete-DRCA.org).

## **FRIENDS OF THE MIRROR LAKE LIBRARY**

This is an association of like-minded folks who support the Mirror Lake Library through volunteerism, fund-raising, and sponsorship of programs and services. They are currently hosting four author events and one yearly book sale. They meet four times a year at 6pm. To get involved, send an email to Diane at [ddrutowski@AOL.com](mailto:ddrutowski@AOL.com).

## **TOASTMASTERS**

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City Power Toastmasters meet at St. Petersburg Municipal Services Bldg., One 4th St. N., room 600, from noon to 1pm Wednesdays. Visit for free and see what it's all about. Membership is only a \$20 initial fee and \$43 for 6 months. Call Alexis Shuder 727-893-7918.

Downtown St. Pete Toastmasters meets Thursday evening at 6:15pm at St. Pete College, Room DC 125 at 244 2nd Avenue North. Call Cynthia Jenkins at 742-6840.

## **SECOND TIME AROUNDERS**

Over 200 members traveled to Seattle to participate in the Torchlight Parade. They were partially sponsored by Visit Clearwater / St Pete and carried a Visit St Pete banner in the parade. The Band performed at the Space Needle where they were joined by a similar band from Oregon called the One More Time Around Again Marching Band. The all-volunteer marching band is beginning their 2017 season and is looking for new members. Call 322-4778 or get more information at [SecondTimeArounders.com](http://SecondTimeArounders.com).

## **ALBERT WHITTED AIRPORT PRESERVATION SOCIETY**

Their monthly Pancake Breakfasts at Albert Whitted in the Hangar Restaurant on the first Saturday of the month includes pancakes, eggs, meat, home fries, grits, orange juice and coffee. People of all ages are invited. It starts at 8am and goes until 11am. People of all ages are invited. Breakfast is from 8 until 11 am. Next breakfasts are October 1 and November 5. For information, call Terri Griner at 822-1532.

Twice a year, AWAPS offers Free Flights for kids. Get a chance to meet real pilots, tour their planes and then go for a free ride. Next Young Eagles day is September 24th from 10am to 1pm. Registration forms and information are at [Awaps.org](http://Awaps.org).

## **HISTORIC OLD NORTHEAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSN.**

They will host their annual 'Halloween Trunk and Treat' event, Sunday, October 30 from 6 to 8:30pm. This is a fun trick or treat event for children and parents to socialize and is held in the parking lot of Westminster Presbyterian Church. Decorate your car trucks and come celebrate Halloween with a parking lot full of fun. Get more details on their web site [honna.org](http://honna.org) or call 269-5521.

## **PETERSBURG PRESERVATION SOCIETY**

October Movies & Music in the Park return to N. Straub Park on the downtown waterfront each Thursday evening in October (6, 13, 20, 27). The Movies in the Park starts with a special "bonus" movie on Saturday, September 24 in Sunset Park (Central Ave. & Park St. N.). The movie will conclude the Central Avenue Solstice Celebration, an event with special happenings all day up & down the length of Central Ave.

The final St. Petersburg Preservation (SPP) Twilight on the Town summer evening walking tour occurs on Sept. 29 and features funky Gulfport. October marks the start of their regular walking tour season with walking tours occurring each Saturday morning. For information, visit [StPetePreservation.org](http://StPetePreservation.org) or contact Peter Belmont, Chairman, at 463-4612.

## **GFWC JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB**

This non-profit volunteer organization is for young women over 18. They meet on the first Tuesday of each month (except June and July) at 7pm. Visit [SPJWC.org](http://SPJWC.org) or call Audra Ames 415-6397 to get involved.

## **ST. PETERSBURG SAIL & POWER SQUADRON**

They meet monthly at the Sailing Center, located at 250 2nd Avenue SE. Contact Jeff Eckhart to join at 424-9800 or email him at [JeffEckhart41@Gmail.com](mailto:JeffEckhart41@Gmail.com). In addition, they sponsor local seminars and provide courses several times a month including:

**MARINE RADAR** - September 21, 7pm. This one session seminar covers how radar works, radar selection, operation under various conditions, using the settings and controls, display interpretation, basic navigation and collision avoidance. The cost is \$40 per family and includes a copy of the book The Radar Book. This class is limited to 20 students. Register at [Boating-StPete.org](http://Boating-StPete.org)

## **FIRST TEE OF ST PETE**

**FISHING TOURNAMENT:** Join the 1st Annual First Tee Fishing Cup Tournament, September 24th at Isla Del Sol Yacht and Country Club. There is a \$1,000 prize for the largest Redfish. Register on their website.

To learn more about FIRST TEE of St Pete, go to [TheFirstTeeStPetersburg.org](http://TheFirstTeeStPetersburg.org) or call Pamela Arbisi 515-5280

## **FRIENDS OF THE SUNSHINE CENTER**

The Kids and Kubs are part of the Sunshine Center and play softball at 10am at North Shore Field on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. They are also volunteers at the Center and for the last two years, have volunteered to serve their Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner meals at the Center. They also make an annual donation to the meals program. They normally meet on the second Saturday of each month except during the summer. For information call Carol Ann Payne at 821-2323.

## **SNELL ISLE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**

They meet at the Women's Club, 40 Snell Isle Blvd NE. The next meeting is October 27th at 6pm. They are planning their Halloween Howl. They invite all children to dress up in their Halloween costumes and enjoy the night with their parents. Get more information on [EnjoySnellisle.com](http://EnjoySnellisle.com). For more information, contact Scott Youngblood at [ScottYoungblood1@Hotmail.com](mailto:ScottYoungblood1@Hotmail.com).



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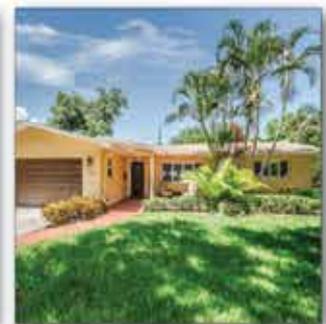
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