



St. Pete Beach eNews

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October 3, 2014

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October concert series

Tonight—Black Honkeys

Oct 10—Bus Stop Band

Oct 17 Southside Bulldogs

Oct 24 4NR2

Activities start at 6 p @ Horan park

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POOL INFORMATION

Water temp. always 82°!

HOURS - 9/29-11/9

Adult Lap Swim

Monday-Friday

7a-11a

M-Th 6-7p

Open Swim

Mon.-Thu

3-7p

(Activity Pool Only)

Sat. 10a-3p

Water Aerobics

Tues./Wed./Thurs.

1:30

\$5 SPB Res./\$6 Non-Res.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Held at City Hall

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City Commission

Special meeting—Selection of

City Manager

October 14, 4p

Regular Meeting @ 6p

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Pension Board

Oct. 16th

Fire—8:30a

Police—10:30a

General—1:30p

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Planning Board

Oct 21, 4p

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Board of Adjustment

Oct 22, 2p

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Historic Preservation

Oct 23, 3:30p

City Commission meetings re-play on Ch. 615 on Thursdays at 6 pm and Saturdays at noon

-OCTOBER CONCERT SERIES BEGINS TONIGHT AT HORAN PARK! - Starting off the series this year is the Black Honkeys. Activities start at 6 pm and the band takes the stage at 7 pm. Food, beer and wine will be available for purchase. We'll also have a 50/50 raffle and free valet parking for your convenience! The perfect mix of Atmosphere, Music and Community. Bring you beach chairs and an appetite!

-THE ST. PETE BEACH CITY COMMISSION invites you to attend the CITY MANAGER CANDIDATES RECEPTION on Wednesday, October 8th from 6-8 pm in the Boca Ciega Room at the Community Center 7701 Boca Ciega Drive.

-LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS- Monday, 10:30 am, S.H.I.N.E. presentation by Bill Ferrari, Medicare Advantage Plans; Tuesday, 10:30 am, I Just Got My iPad...Now What?, bring library card and Apple passwords; Thursday, Mother Goose Time for ages 0-3 (adventure); I Want to Be a Skeeter Reader, skill building for beginning readers; Friday, 10:30 am, eBooks for iPad, bring library card and Apple passwords.

-SENIOR EXCURSION - TARPON SPRINGS, OCTOBER 18 9A- 4P - Let us do the driving while you relax and enjoy some great trips. Come with friends or meet new ones, either way, you'll have a great time. Cost \$12/resident, \$15/non-resident and covers transportation ONLY. All other costs—lunch or admission—are the responsibility of the participant.

-ST. PETE BEACH COMMUNITY CENTER HAS CLASSES FOR EVERYONE. - Live It! with recreation this fall. Whether you are looking for a youth basketball program, senior line dancing, aqua fitness or an adult workout class the St. Pete Beach Community Center has a class for you. New this fall we have Qi Gong, Tai Chi, Move to Your Groove, Zumba Step, Voice Lessons and keep a look out for our new Trunk or Treat Event this October. Stop by the Community Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Dr. to pick up our new fall program guide. You can also visit our website, for a full list of classes.

-UPCOMING CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS - Wednesday, October 8, 6:00 pm - Public Reception for the CM candidates at the Community Center Boca Ciega room; Thursday, October 9, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm - Commission One on One interviews with the CM candidates at City Hall ; 2:00 pm - Commission as a whole interviews the candidates - Commission Chambers; Tuesday, October 14, 4:00 pm - Special meeting to select a new City Manager; 6:00 - Regular meeting; Tuesday, October 21, 2:00 pm - Workshop on Comprehensive Plan; Tuesday, October 28, 5:00 pm CRA Workshop, 6:00 pm - Regular meeting; Wednesday, November 5, 6:00 pm - Regular meeting; Tuesday, November 18, 6:00 pm - Regular meeting; Tuesday, December 2, 6:00 pm - Regular meeting; Tuesday, December 16, 6:00 pm - Regular meeting.

-BEACH CLEAN UP - October 18th, 9am at the Upham Beach Concession Stand - 6700 Beach Plaza. Join us to help beautify our local beach.

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A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR MARIA LOWE

Saturday, 27 September 2014, PET PALS - Paddle for Paws, Pups from around the city had a whoofin' good time at the Paddle for Paws event at Hurley Park in Pass A Grille on Saturday. The guests of honor were pups that need good homes!!! Meet Simon and Dollar who still want a place in paradise to call home!!



Tuesday, 30 September 2014, THIEVES TARGETING WOMEN— St.

Pete Beach enjoys an extremely low crime rate. However, please do not become complacent due to that sense of safety. Next door, in St Petersburg, the local police have identified a criminal gang targeting women who leave their purses in their cars. Their purses are stolen and they become victims of identity theft. An article at the link below describes the crime pattern in more detail. <http://www.wfla.com/story/26664059/thieves-targeting-women-in-st-pete-say-police> PLEASE PROTECT YOURSELF!! Bad dudes are lazy...don't make their life easy by overlooking the simple safety precautions.....A few tips from our Community Policing Officer, Deputy Dave Mancusi: * Lock your car and home doors * Close your garage doors * Take purses and valuables inside; do not leave them in your vehicle * Call the Sheriff if you notice suspicious behavior in your neighborhood. SHERIFF CONTACT: Emergency: 911, Non-Emergency: (727) 582-6200

Thursday, 2 OCTOBER 2014, SHERRIFF'S CITIZENS ACADEMY - The Pinellas County Sheriff, Bob Gualtieri, sponsors a Citizens Academy. Any resident in Pinellas County can sign up for the class, but the waiting list is several months so plan ahead! My husband, Gerald, and I started two weeks ago. The classes have already been incredibly insightful!! The Sheriff himself did an initial orientation for the class. We learned many interesting facts....did you know?? There are 3000 inmates in the county jail at a cost of \$105 per day.... the Safe Harbor program assists nearly 500 homeless and strives to rehabilitate them to be productive citizens at a cost of \$13 per day....the most common crime is property crimes like burglary.... The most serious crime and most difficult crime to remedy is human trafficking like prostitution and Internet sex crimes. In our second class, we

learned about communications, patrol units and major accident investigations. The dispatch facility is very impressive! Each dispatcher has five computer screens with maps and information about a 911 call. They are responsible for getting the right public safety team to the right place at the fastest time. I really admire how they handle the pressure of their job with such composure! Our very own Capt. Dave Danzig briefed the class about the patrol unit. They showed videos of scenes in action and told us that Cops will be riding along for the next ten weeks. That's right... The TV show Cops will be filming on St. Pete Beach with the Pinellas County Sheriff! The major crimes investigation teams are a very intelligent and professional group of individuals. Each time they get a call, they know they are going to a scene where someone has lost their life. Their job is to totally re-create that scene. Their investigation determines whether or not a criminal will be brought to justice for the death of an innocent person. The more I learn about the Sheriffs Department, the more grateful I am for the deputies on our streets who protect us and keep us safe. To learn more about the Citizens Academy and how you can participate, go to this site: <http://www.pcsoweb.com/operations/programs-and-services/citizens-academy/>.



Thursday, 2 October 2014, HOT RUN - The second annual Hot Run took place Thursday evening in Pass a Grille with a new route that was less disruptive to traffic. I was bummed that I could not be in two places at one time, but others tell me that the Hot Run was a brilliant success with a gorgeous sunset and smooth sailing for all those who participated in the evening festivities!!

Visitor Mike Smith at the race start

