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~LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS~Friday, 10:00 am-2:00 pm - AARP Tax-Aide prepares and e-files Federal tax returns, free: Fridays through Apr. 12; Monday, 11:00 am - Storytime Sing & Learn (ages 0-5): Start your toddlers on the road to reading and school readiness as they learn numbers, colors, and the alphabet through stories, music, and dance; Tuesday, 3:00 pm - Tech Tuesday: E-book Help (no repairs, no reservation required); Wednesday, Movie Day at the Library: *A Star is Born*, 2:00 pm matinee & 5:30 pm encore presentation; Thursday, 4:30 pm - 70th Anniversary of the Ratification of the North Atlantic Treaty (NATO), presented by librarian Walter Critzer. St. Pete Beach Public Library: Celebrating 50 years at 365 73rd Ave.

~SUMMER CAMPS FOR KIDS AT ST. PETE BEACH COMMUNITY CENTER~Registration starts March 18th at the St. Pete Beach Community Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Drive, for full and half day summer camps. Programs are being offered for children completed kindergarten through 6th grade. Our full day camp programs will keep kids entertained all summer long with weekly field trips, swimming and indoor/outdoor activities. If your child has more specific interest we are offering half-day specialty camps such as archery, basketball, robotics and more. For more information, including registration paperwork, [visit www.spbrec.com](http://www.spbrec.com)

~SENIOR EXCURSIONS HOSTED BY THE ST. PETE BEACH COMMUNITY CENTER~ The St. Pete Beach Community Center has new Senior Excursions on the schedule January-March. The excursions are a great way for local seniors to travel with friends. All excursions will depart from St. Pete Beach Community Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Dr. All participants must pre-register the Wednesday prior to the excursion. Each trip is \$15. Cost covers transportation only. All Admissions or lunch are extra and the responsibility of the participants. Time of trips are 9am-4pm. For more information call the Community Center at 727.363.9245 or visit www.spbrec.com

Trip Schedule

Mar 30th—Dunedin Downtown Market

~MESSAGE FROM THE CITY OF ST. PETE BEACH AND THE PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE~ Just a reminder to all the South County communities and St. Pete Beach area that vehicle burglaries continue. Please be sure and lock your car doors and take anything that is or could look valuable out of your car. Many of these thieves work in groups and target all types of different communities. Don't fall into the trap of thinking your neighborhood wouldn't be targeted for these types of crimes.

Check out the [Sheriff's website](http://www.spbrec.com) for access to programs and services to learn how to protect yourself, your family and your possessions. To contact our Community Policing Officers call 727.582.5721.



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- Sunday Market on Corey Avenue from 10am-2pm
- Chalk-Lit Fair **March 30th** from 10a-2p at Horan Park. Free family event that celebrates the art community with a twist!
- Music in the Afternoon **March 31st** from 2-4p at the St. Pete Beach Recreation Center. For more information, call 727.363.9245.



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~MESSAGE FROM COMMISSIONER TERRI FINNERTY ED.D., DISTRICT 1~

Home Rule: The Florida constitution empowers citizens with the right of local self-government, or Home Rule. As the only form of voluntary government, Florida's municipalities are the embodiment of this right. A city is created by its citizens to provide additional functions and services for the particular benefit of the community. Local citizens develop a charter to specify the form, functions and power of their city government. The incorporation and city charter are approved by voters in a local referendum.

Home Rule authorizes all governmental, corporate and propriety powers necessary to conduct municipal government, perform municipal functions, and render municipal services. Home Rule is why not two cities are alike. City residents take pride in this diversity and responsibility. Strong Home Rule powers ensure that government stays close to the people it serves. Intrusion on Home Rule from the state or federal government undermines the constitutional right of citizens to govern themselves.

Sorry my article is not as long as I would like it to be, however, I just spent 3 days this week in Tallahassee lobbying with our legislators discussing the priorities for Florida League of Cities. This Monday I will be returning for 3 more days to discuss with them the Suncoast League of Cities priorities and those of our City of St. Pete Beach.

All I can tell you at this time is, things are changing daily with legislation that has now passed through subcommittees and is moving on to committees. I was able to meet with Senator Brandes and Representative Webb while there and will be connecting with them again next week to discuss our issues in St. Pete Beach.

A few of the bills we discussed with several Legislators were:

Telecommunications Infrastructure (wireless deployment) CS/SB 1000 (Hutson) and CS/HB 693 (Fisher). OPPOSED. The bills repeal important agreed to provisions of the 2017 law and further strip cities of the ability to regulate the placement of communications equipment on city property and in public rights-of-way. We are asking them not to undermine progress.

Short-Term Rental SB 824 (Diaz) and HB 987 (Grant) OPPOSED. On Tuesday, March at 1:30 pm I was able to sit in on the Senate Innovation, Industry and Technology Committee meeting. There is some negotiating going on with this bill, however, both bills at this time preempt cities from regulating vacation rentals and remove the grandfathering clause from 2014. This is a local zoning issue and should be left to local governments. In fact, nearly 75% of voters want local elected officials in charge. Sen. Simmons, Sen. Mayfield and Rep. La Marca worked hard in supporting local control of short-term rentals and we were told before we left there is a good chance the grandfathering clause will not be removed. Therefore, any city with a short-term rental ordinance in place since 2014 will be able to keep those in place.



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Micromobility Devices (E-Scooters) OPPOSED. SB 542 (Brandes) and HB 453 (Toledo). The bills mandate local governments to regulate micromobility devices in the same manner as human-powered bicycles. The bills preempt any other regulation to the state and do not give cities the flexibility they need to respond to changing circumstances. We want regulations to remain local.

These are just a few of the bills we are talking to legislators about. Next week I will have much more on bills that have gone through committees and those that will be going through in the very near future. More to come!

Terri Finnerty, Ed.D
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CHALK-LIT FAIR



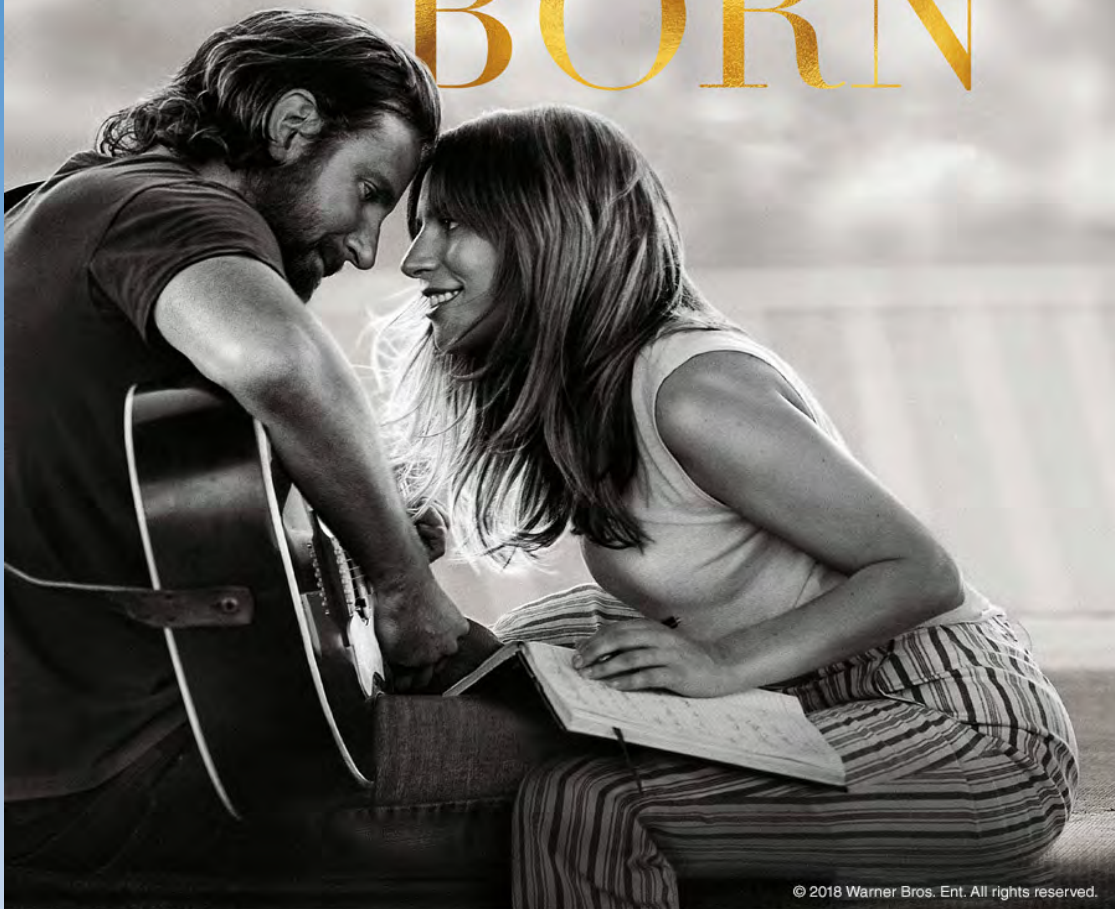
Free family friendly event that celebrates the art community with a twist! Register to participate in the book themed side walk chalk contest and visit with local artist, watch live performances, enjoy carnival games, food, beer and wine! Spaces are 5x5 with limited spots available so register early! Registration begins February 20th.

Prizes will be awarded for each age category
St. Pete Beach Recreation

7701 Boca Ciega Dr. 727-363-9245 www.spbrec.com

A STAR IS BORN

BRADLEY COOPER
LADY GAGA



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DATE: Wed, April 3

TIME: 2&5:30

**LOCATION:
St. Pete Beach Public Library**

**70th Anniversary
of the Ratification
of the
North Atlantic Treaty**



Thursday,

Celebrating

April 4

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4:30 p.m.

Years!

**St. Pete Beach Public Library
365 73rd Avenue
St. Pete Beach, FL 33706
727-363-9238
SPBLibrary.com**





Utilities
(727) 464-4000

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Important Drinking Water Notice from Pinellas County

Effective Monday, April 22, Pinellas County will begin a routine system maintenance program to optimize water quality. The water treatment method is being temporarily changed from chloramine to chlorine disinfection. The switch to chlorine will be in effect from April 22 to May 11, 2019.

The water is perfectly safe to drink during this period, though you may notice a slight difference in the taste or odor of the water.

Users of kidney dialysis machines and owners of aquatic life should not be impacted, but should contact their respective service providers for more information.

If you have questions, please visit the Pinellas County Utilities website at www.pinellascounty.org/utilities or call Customer Service at (727) 464-4000.



Water System Maintenance Program Frequently Asked Questions

What is the “Water System Maintenance Program?”

This program is a temporary conversion from chloramine to chlorine disinfection and is a routine maintenance measure designed to reduce the potential for occurrences of coliform or other types of bacteria in the water delivery system.

Why is the maintenance program being conducted?

This is a planned treatment designed to provide protection to our customers against potentially harmful bacteria in the water supply. Many utilities using chloramine disinfection find it helpful to switch periodically to a free chlorine treatment program to maintain water quality. Based on water quality monitoring and sampling data, Pinellas County will perform the water system maintenance program once or twice a year.

What other benefits does the maintenance program provide?

This method of water quality maintenance is an effective alternative to flushing millions of gallons of drinking water. As a result of enhanced water quality monitoring and flushing strategies, flushing volumes continue to be reduced.

Who will be affected?

The program will include all water customers of Pinellas County as well as customers in the cities of Clearwater, Pinellas Park and Safety Harbor.

Will customers notice any changes in the water during the program?

Pinellas County water customers may experience a slight difference in the taste and/or smell of the water during this temporary change in treatment. These are normal occurrences and carry no negative health effects for the general population. The impact to the customer will be similar to that experienced when a water main is replaced or other routine maintenance is performed on the water distribution system.

Can I drink the water during this maintenance program?

Yes. The water will continue to meet federal and state standards for safe drinking water during this period. Health concerns associated with disinfection byproducts—total trihalomethanes (TTHMs) and haloacetic acids five (HAA5s) are related to long-term exposure and not short-term maintenance actions. Additional information can be found on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website, by visiting www.cdc.gov and the World Health Organization website, by visiting www.who.int.

Do I need to boil the water?

No, boiling the water is not necessary.

Will the program affect dialysis patients?

Users of kidney dialysis machines should not be impacted, but should contact their dialysis care provider for more information about water testing and precautions regarding chlorine removal. Chlorine, like chloramine, is fatal if it enters the bloodstream during the hemodialysis process.

As a result, strict water purification standards are already followed by the kidney dialysis industry as established by the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation.

Will the chlorine affect aquatic life?

The temporary change to chlorine should not affect fish owners if a system is already in place to remove chloramine. Those with questions should contact their local pet suppliers.

Why do we flush the water distribution system?

Having a written flushing plan is a regulatory requirement, however, Pinellas County Utilities has always employed flushing as one of the methods for keeping water quality at its best. Flushing the water mains improves water quality by removing sediment in the pipes and by eliminating stagnant water found in dead-end pipes in various locations throughout the system.

What if I have a water softener or any other type of water treatment device?

Residents with any type of water treatment devices should follow the manufacturer's specifications.

When will the program be conducted?

The first maintenance program of 2019 is scheduled to take place from **April 22nd through May 11th**. The second maintenance program for 2019 is scheduled to take place from **September 23rd through October 12th**. If there are any changes in the duration, customers will be notified through a news release and on www.pinellascounty.org/utilities.

If I have questions, how can I find more information?

For more information, please visit www.pinellascounty.org/utilities or contact Pinellas County Utilities Customer Service at (727) 464-4000 or your water service provider.