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JANUARY 2019



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Next meeting: Tuesday, Jan. 8
6:30 p.m. social hour, meeting starts at 7 p.m. sharp.
St. Petersburg Community Church, 4501 30th Ave. N

Speakers: Mayor Rick Kriseman will conduct the swearing in of new DHCA Officers

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Welcoming a new year

It's a new year, a time when many hit the reset button and consider what's ahead for the next 12 months. My goal for DHCA is not to hit the reset button, as Past President Jennifer Joern did a wonderful job during her time as president by bringing in new speakers, finding new sponsors, adding events, parties and so on.

My focus this year will be on increasing membership and bringing in more families. As you can see by my picture above, I have two young boys (who are often at meetings) and I believe it's important for DHCA to continue to attract young families so the association has a strong future.

Happy New Year, and I look forward to meeting each of you at the January meeting.



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Networking / Socializing	6:30 p.m.
Call to Order	7:00 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance	
Welcome New Members, First Time Visitors	
Call for Meeting Sponsors	
Police & Crime Report by CSO Michael Christian	
Mayor Rick Kriseman - Swearing in of new officers and board	7:10 p.m.
Leadership Team, Committee Reports & Updates	7:30 p.m.
Past President, Jennifer Joern	
Board Member, Heather Hoe	
Board Member, Alicia Hoe	
Board Member, Rhonda Steele	
Board Member, Dave Monroe	
Board Member, Fr. Robert DePugh	
Gail Hebert: Sergeant at Arms	
Treasurer: Betsy Boynton	
President: Pam Huff	
DHCA Residents & Business Owners Forum	7:40 p.m.
DHCA Raffle	7:50 p.m.
Meeting Adjournment	8:00 p.m.

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News you can use – including a trip to the Rays game

• Due to additional analysis required as part of the **Central Avenue Bus Rapid Transit project design**, PSTA postponed the open houses scheduled for Jan. 12, 16 and 17 to sometime in February. The open houses will be a forum to learn more about the project and discuss ideas with project engineers.

• **Free Christmas tree collection:** Jan. 12: Residents can dispose of their Christmas trees during a free collection event on

Put out the undecorated tree at the location where trash is usually collected. Trees should be loose and not placed inside trash or recycling containers or against trees, electrical poles, other trash containers or water meters. All lights, ornaments, decorations, tree stands and plastic tree disposal bags must be removed from the tree before placing it out for collection. Holiday wreaths may be disposed of in trash containers.

All collected trees will be turned into mulch, which is free to residents at the brush sites. After Jan. 12, residents may contact Sanitation Special Collections at 893-7398, Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

• **New CONA officers:**

President: Jennifer Joern
First Vice President: Judy Landon
Secretary: Kate Thorpe
Treasurer: David Roman

• **Rays game:** Here is a special ticket offer that is only open to residents of St. Petersburg, particularly those of DHCA: Saturday, March 30 vs Houston Astros, 6:10 pm -- Lower level ticket only **\$35/person** -- Each ticket comes with guest's choice of a free Rays hat -- All members of DHCA will be seated together Contact Pam Huff if interested at pehuff@yahoo.com

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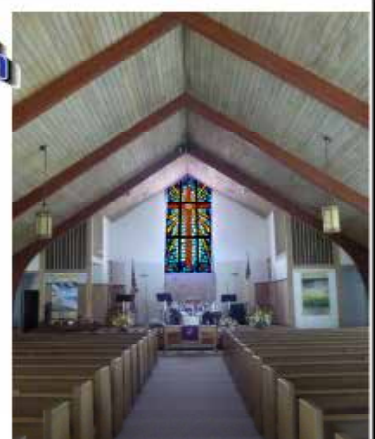
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Please contact me whenever you are ready to place your real estate needs into capable and competent hands. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Frank "Trey" Malowany III, Sales Associate
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DISSTON HEIGHTS REAL ESTATE FACTS FOR 2017

In 2017, the Average Days on Market, from listing to Contract, was 16 Days.

In 2017, the average list price for a single family home was \$200,000 +/-.

In December 2017, one single family home sold for over \$400,000!

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Express speaker: Jennifer Maxwell, City of St. Pete
Marketing Outreach Specialist

Spotlight speaker: Capt. Mark Sweet, St. Pete Fire
Rescue, Central Oak Park Fire Station 6

Meeting sponsor: Habitat for Humanity
of Pinellas County



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

No time for (spring) breaks

Just because Pinellas County Schools enter spring break this week, and we all lost one hour of sleep, doesn't mean it's time to hide under the covers.

The weather is the best it's ever been, and I enjoy sitting outside these days and listening to neighbors doing yard work, the birds chirping and children playing. Do you ever walk around your neighborhood? I like seeing the seasonal decorations change and residents caring for their property.

Just this week, I received an email from someone interested in

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FINANCE CORNER

Put together a professional team to help you reach your goals

At various times, you will need to make moves containing financial, tax and legal elements, so you may want to get some help – from more than one source.

Specifically, you might want to put together a team comprised of your financial advisor, your tax professional and your attorney.

Your financial advisor may recommend you sell some investments and use the proceeds to buy others more appropriate for your needs.

And your tax advisor can help you determine the tax consequences of such sales.

Your financial advisor can also help you choose appropriate investments for your retirement plan, while your tax professional can advise you on the ideal contribution amounts, from a tax standpoint.

Also, your financial and legal advisors can work together on your estate planning documents. Your legal professional can help you create an arrangement, such as a living trust, and your financial advisor can help you choose the right vehicles to fund it.

Teamwork – it pays off.

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President's Corner (continued)

buying a home in Disston Heights. While I'm not a Realtor with all the statistics, I pointed him in the right direction to find that information, and told him that Disston Heights has been a great neighborhood to raise a family.

Now it's time for all of you to spread the word to your neighbors that we have a great opportunity

through DHCA to come together and make it even better. It's our responsibility as citizens — and with a **team** like DHCA, it's much easier!

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting, at breakfast and at the Easter Egg Hunt. We have SO much to celebrate about Disston so let's get out there!

— Pam Huff

Upcoming events

MARCH 16: DHCA Saturday Morning Breakfast, The Burg Diner

APRIL 9: Next monthly meeting

APRIL 13: Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Gladden Park

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News you can use – City hosts water open houses

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Bring money to the March 12 if purchasing.
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operators and leaders from Water Resources and Public Works will be in attendance to answer questions.

Open house dates:

• Saturday, 4/6, 9 a.m. - noon: Northwest Water Reclamation Facility 7500 26th Ave N, St. Petersburg, FL 33710
• Saturday, 4/20, 9 a.m. - noon: Northeast Water Reclamation Facility 1160 62nd Ave NE, St.

Petersburg, FL 33702

• Saturday, 4/27, 9 a.m. - noon: Cosme Drinking Water Plant

16150 Race Track Rd, Odessa, FL 33556

Guests are encouraged to wear comfortable, closed-toe shoes. Reasonable accommodations for ADA accessibility can be made by reaching out to Water Resources at 727-893-7261.

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Spotlight speakers: Stephanie Lawson & Christine Cantrell, HEAT Grant Program Monitor, Pinellas County Schools

Meeting sponsor: Lisa Ansilio, Financial Advisor
Edward Jones

Food & beverage will be provided



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The power of colorful eggs

The time has come for one of our biggest events of the year — the DHCA annual Easter Egg Hunt at Gladden Park! This year, we've enlisted the help of TASCO — Teen Arts, Sports, and Cultural Opportunities. The teenagers at Gladden are helping us fill the Easter eggs with candy for the children this year, and what a big help it is!

It's important to include all ages in the DHCA, to show kids the way when it comes to being involved, and to show adults that it's never too late to be a part of making your neighborhood a better place. We all have the power — **we just have to use it!**

See you Tuesday for the meeting and Saturday for the hunt!

Visit www.disstonheights.org for more information, including meeting minutes

FINANCE CORNER

What can you do with your tax refund?

Are you getting a tax refund this year? If so, what should you do with it?

You could put it in your IRA. Last year's average refund was about \$2,700 according to the Internal Revenue Service. If you got that much this year, you'd have almost half of the annual IRA contribution limit of \$6,000, although you can contribute up to \$7,000 if you're 50 or older.

You could also use some of your refund to invest in a college fund. Or, you might want to pay some premiums on your life insurance or long-term care policies.

As an alternative, you could use the money to pay down some debts. The lower your debt load, the more you'll have available to invest for the future.

One last suggestion: Consider using your tax refund to help build an emergency fund containing six to 12 months' worth of living expenses. With such a fund, you'll be less likely to dip into long-term investments to meet short-term needs.

You can help yourself make progress toward several financial goals with your tax refund – so put it to good use.

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APRIL 20: DHCA Saturday Morning Breakfast, The Burg Diner

MAY 11: DHCA Fund-raiser - Doggie Wash at Gladden Park

MAY 14: Next monthly meeting

Sponsors needed!

Know a local business owner who wants to get their name out in the neighborhood? We still need sponsors for upcoming meetings. Sponsors are required to provide food and beverage (incl. plates/napkins/cups/utensils) for meeting attendees (~25 to 40 people). **Includes:** Promote your business at the beginning of the meeting with a three-minute "commercial;" distribute business cards and flyers; list your business in the Disston Heights Business Directory for free; waive the annual business membership fee of \$25.

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News you can use – New stormwater rates

• **New tiered stormwater rates coming soon:** Beginning in October, utility customers will move from the current flat-rate-per-parcel stormwater fee to a new tiered rate system. The reason for the change is to provide residential customers with a more equitable distribution of monthly stormwater charges. The tiered rate system is based on the square footage of a prop-

erty's impervious surfaces which include areas like driveways, structures, parking lots and walkways. For more: https://www.stpete.org/billing_and_collections/utility_billing/docs/Stormwater_Rate_FAQs%2001.2019.pdf

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• **Spread the word!! Doggie wash fundraiser for DHCA:** Suggested donation: \$5 per doggie. Each t will also receive a "Wag Bag" (aka: treat bag) and kerchief (while supplies last). May 11 at Gladden Park

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Spotlight speaker: Councilmember Amy Foster

Meeting sponsor: Brevard Solar,
Pinellas/Pasco counties

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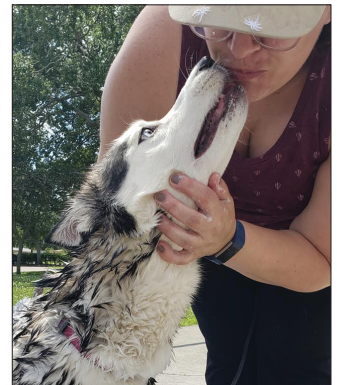
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DHCA + dogs = community

That's Aliyah giving me a big smooch ► after getting a nice cool bath at Gladden Park for the DHCA Doggie Wash on May 11. The event was for CareFest in 2018 but this year we turned it into a fundraiser for DHCA and raised **\$120!** Thanks to all who brought their dogs for a washin' and more importantly to the TASCO teens and DHCA volunteers who came out and got a little cooldown, too.



Visit www.disstonheights.org for more information, including meeting minutes

FINANCE CORNER

Time to 'cycle' through some investment ideas

May is Bike Month in the United States. Bicycling is good exercise and an environmentally friendly method of transportation, but it can also teach some lessons about investing.

One of these lessons has to do with risk. Experienced cyclists keep their brakes in good shape and avoid unnecessary risks, such as whipping around blind curves. As an investor, you can put the brakes on risk by avoiding impulsive moves and sticking with a disciplined, long-term strategy.

Cyclists also keep their bikes in good shape through regular maintenance.

When you invest, you should tune up your portfolio periodically so it always reflects changes in your life and financial situation.

Finally, just as bicyclists ride through wind, rain and heat to reach their destinations, you need to show determination and persistence by continuing to invest, in good markets and bad, through unsettling political and global events – and even despite your own occasional doubts.

By following some of these principles, you can keep your financial wheels moving along the road to your goals.

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Mark your calendar: 34th Street/Central Town Center plan meeting

The city of St. Petersburg is partnering with residents in and adjacent to the 34th Street corridor between 22nd Avenue North and 3rd Avenue South, to create an area improvement plan. The purpose of this plan is to create a vision that will enhance 34th Street and

surrounding areas, creating opportunities for development desired by the community and facilitating additional investment.

All are invited to a 34th Street/Central Town Center Plan Meeting on **June 4 at 6 p.m. at the Empath Suncoast Hospice, 3050 1st Ave. S.**

Preliminary concepts and recommendations will be presented for your input and comments. Businesses, property owners and surrounding neighborhoods are all invited to be a part of this meeting and planning process.

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News you can use – Rowdies night, CONA Leadership

• **Neighborhood night at the Rowdies:** The Tampa Bay Rowdies are excited to present the St. Petersburg Community of Neighborhood Associations with an exclusive opportunity to take in an evening of top notch professional soccer. The game is 7:30 p.m. on June 15 where you can watch the Tampa Bay Rowdies v. Charleston Battery. Ticket pricing is \$35/each, sideline upper reserved

seating. It includes 2019 Together Rowdies soccer scarf! Buy tickets at: <http://bit.ly/rowdiescona>

• **CONA Leadership:** Congratulations to DHCA member Jimari Hallam who completed the CONA Leadership program this month! ➤

• **St. Pete Pier construction update:** All pilings are placed, decks are poured and construction



activity now turns to the above the deck buildings,

according to the city's latest update.

The Discovery Center's foundation and building shell are in place and the roof is poured. The elevator shafts, shear walls and stairwells are going in at the Pier Head building. Construction continues on Doc Ford's and Pavilion building near Spa Beach.

See more here: <http://www.newstpetepier.com/>

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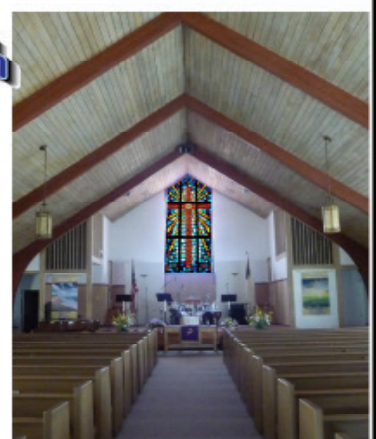
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Spotlight speaker: Amy Keith, Engage St. Pete

Refreshments: Ice cream sundae bar

REMINDER: No July or August
monthly meetings



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School's out for summer

As the temperatures rise and the roads clear up now that snow-birds are gone, keep an eye out for kids on the road and at local St. Petersburg parks. For Disston families, there are a variety of free or affordable things for kids to do this summer, including swimming at our local pools, cooling off inside at the library or catching free movies at local theaters. The calendar at <http://www.splibraries.org/> breaks down each day's events, from their own free movie showings to specialty afternoons and projects. And <http://events.stpeteparksrec.org/> has all the city has to offer!

Stay cool and safe this summer, DCHA!

— Pam Huff

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Smart financial moves for 'gig' economy workers

Do you work as an independent contractor, a contract worker, a consultant or a freelancer? If so, you're part of what's known as the "gig" economy – and you may need to make some extra moves to help reach your financial goals.

For starters, you need to set up your own retirement plan. Fortunately, you have several to choose from, possibly including a SEP-IRA and a "solo" 401(k), which works much like an employer-sponsored 401(k). Also, since your income may be uneven or unpredictable, you'll need an emergency fund to pay for un-

expected costs, such as a major car repair. Keep this money in a liquid, low-risk account.

One more suggestion: Make sure you have adequate insurance to protect your family and your livelihood. A financial professional can help you determine the types of coverage you might need.

These aren't the only moves you may need to make as a gig worker – but they can help provide you with a steady path in a world in which you can't always tell what lies around the corner.

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**Stadium gates open at 5:30 p.m. /
Kick-Off at 6:30 p.m.**

Please join your CONA St. Petersburg compatriots to cheer on our own Tampa Bay Rowdies as they take on the Charleston Battery on Saturday, June 15 at Al Lang Stadium.

Tickets are \$35 which includes



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News you can use – WaterWise awards and 34th St. survey

• **City Hall closing for renovations this summer:** Beginning July 2019, City Hall will be closed for renovations. During this time, public meetings will be held at the Sunshine Center, located at 330 5th St N.

• **Do you have an award-winning yard?** The annual Community WaterWise Award applications are now available for curators of attractive, water-efficient landscapes

that conserve water and protect the environment. Individuals and businesses are invited to apply to be recognized for their yard's beauty and resiliency. More information and link to the application can be found at stpete.org/water/water_conservation/water_wise_awards.php. Applications open through June 30 at midnight. For ideas on how to make your home more water-wise, visit stpete.org/waterconservation.

• **34th Street survey:** The City of St. Petersburg is developing a 34th Street and Central Town Center plan. Please take 5-10 minutes to provide feedback on plan goals and study area concerns and recommendations. Go to: surveymonkey.com/r/XL38BBF

• **St. Petersburg Fire Rescue Night Out at the Ballpark:** Support St. Petersburg Fire Rescue at

the annual softball game against Clearwater Fire & Rescue Department on Saturday, June 22. All you can eat, two games, and post game fireworks are included in the ticket price. Proceeds go to St. Petersburg Fire Explorers Post 952. To purchase tickets, or to request additional information, please contact Christopher Lauricella at: 727-235-5900.

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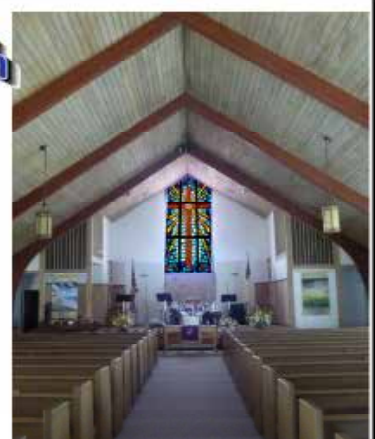
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Spotlight speaker: Rep. Jennifer Webb (District 69)

Refreshments: Food will be provided



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Welcoming a new season

Do you feel a chill in the air? Me neither. But with this new season and school already in full swing, I'm reminded that it's time to get back to work on enhancing our neighborhood and coming together. We lost our dear Sgt. At Arms Gail Hebert this summer and her husband, Joe, within two weeks of each other. Hearing about their commitment to their community, their family and their church inspired me to continue on this journey in their honor and make Disston Heights an involved neighborhood.

See details on the next page about Carefest 2019 — and consider taking even one hour out of your day on Saturday, Sept. 28 to help clean up alleys and show that Disston Heights cares!!

Who knows, maybe we'll get a cool breeze that day.

— Pam Huff



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FINANCE CORNER

Life events can lead you to see a financial advisor

Over the years, you will experience many personal and professional milestones – and they all come with important financial questions. To find the answers, you may need help from a financial professional.

For example, when you start a new job, you may wonder how to begin planning for retirement and what investments can help you work toward that goal. And if you switch jobs, you will need to understand your options for your employer-sponsored retirement plan.

As for your personal life, when you get married, you and your spouse

should create a joint investment strategy. And if you have children, you may want to know about the ways to save and invest for college.

Finally, when you retire, you'll need to create a withdrawal plan for your retirement accounts so you don't deplete them too soon.

On your journey through life, you will have to address these and other important financial and investment issues, but you don't have to go it alone – a financial professional can help you find the solutions you need.

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Mark your calendar: Breakfast social and Carefest 2019

SEPT. 21

DHCA Saturday Morning

Breakfast, 8 a.m.

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ing for their own food and beverage).

SEPT. 28

Disston Cares for Carefest

8:30 a.m.

This year, our project will be alley cleanups in the neighborhoods behind the Publix at Disston Plaza. The alleys we have identified are as follows:

- Between 47th and 49th Streets and between 33rd and 34th Avenues

- Alleys between 34th and 30th and 45th and 49th

Meet in the large grassy area behind the Disston Plaza Publix, at 47th Street and 35th Avenue N. We will have all the tools and refreshments necessary.

Meet at 8:30 a.m. and we'll split up alleys and begin cleaning by 9 a.m.

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DHCA Summer social was a hit – next up, the holidays!

Disston Heights neighbors, new and familiar, came together at President Pam Huff's home this summer to enjoy some food and drinks and conversation. See photos here!

Members also collected school supplies to help Stuff the Bus.

We'll host a neighborhood social for the holidays, details to follow.



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NEXT MEETING: DISSTON HEIGHTS CANDIDATE FORUM

Tuesday, Oct. 8

6:30 p.m. social hour, meeting starts at 7 p.m. sharp.
St. Petersburg Community Church, 4501 30th Ave. N

Refreshments: Food will be provided



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Got a question? Now's your chance

On Tuesday, we will host the following candidates for St. Petersburg City Council:

- John Hornbeck
- Robert G. Blackmon
- Orlando Acosta
- Deborah Figgs-Sanders
- Trenia Cox
- Lisa Wheeler-Bowman
- Eritha Brandis Cainion

This is your opportunity to ask them whatever you want — but we're not taking questions from the floor. Please **email me at pehuff@yahoo.com** before Tuesday's meeting with any questions. They will be reviewed beforehand. See you Tuesday and bring a neighbor!

— Pam Huff

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OCT. 19

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Upcoming meetings

NOV. 12

**DHCA General Meeting
6:30 p.m.**

Spotlight speaker: Rui Farias,
St. Petersburg History Museum
executive director

DEC. 10

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Holiday Potluck
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WELCOME: Two new advertisers join The Heights this month. See ads for LocalShops1 and Realtor Barry Rothstein on the following pages. Interested in getting your business in front of our members? See add rates below.

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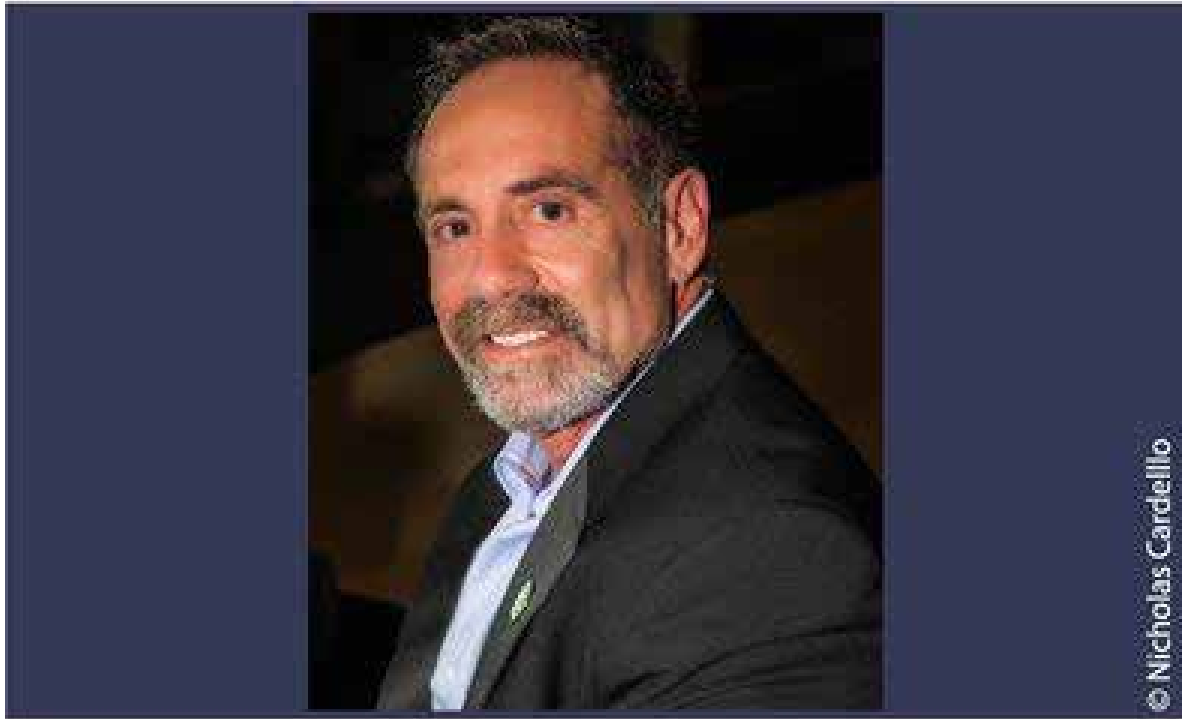


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Disston participates in Neighborhood Shuffleboard Showdown

Neighbors from Disston Heights gathered on Nov. 10 at the St. Petersburg Shuffleboard Club to compete against 14 other neighborhood associations in the Neighborhood Shuffleboard Showdown, hosted by Crescent Heights Neighborhood.

DHCA didn't bring home the trophy but there's always next year!



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Door prizes will also be given out!



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Ending 2019 on a high note

It was so rewarding to man the Disston Heights Civic Association table for Neighborhood Trees at Shopapalooza Festival on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1.

Familiar DHCA members stopped by to vote for their favorite tree (Disston's, of course) and soon-to-be new members learned where they lived in Disston Heights and marked our map. Be sure to take a look at the new stickers added to the map during Tuesday's potluck, and if you see a new face, welcome them to DHCA!

— Pam Huff, DHCA president

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DECEMBER 2019

DHCA participates in Neighborhood Christmas Tree Contest

Eight Neighborhood Associations participated in the Neighborhood Trees at Shopapalooza Festival, to raise money and awareness for the NAs and CONA St. Petersburg. Winners will be announced Dec. 18. Mayor Rick Kriseman, Susie Ajoc, and Michele Beckman Tuegel were the judges. Participating neighborhoods were: Central Oak Park Neighborhood Association, Meadowlawn Neighborhood Association, Historic Uptown Neighborhood, Harris Park Neighborhood Association, Disston Heights Civic Association, Historic Old Northeast Neighborhood Association, St. Pete Heights Neighborhood Association, and Riviera Bay Civic Association.



Pam Huff with the DHCA Tree, Photo by Margie Manning

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