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Each month, CHNA emails subscribers important information about neighborhood news, happenings and events. If you are not currently receiving these monthly updates and would like to, please contact Laura Lorenzen at lauraliam5@gmail.com or text 813-431-0478.

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What do you think of when you think about Crescent Heights? A great location? No flood insurance required? Proximity to the waterfront and downtown? Restaurants, shopping and even breweries within an easy walking distance? While all these things and more are true, to me it's the people that make our neighborhood so very special.

My husband and I lived on Snell Isle for 25 years and never experienced what we have here in Crescent Heights. We felt this sense of community almost immediately upon moving here almost nine years ago.

So how did this happen for us? I often joke that if you have a dog or a baby, you'll meet people quickly in Crescents Heights, but we have neither! CHNA was what brought us into the fold.

Sometimes I hear that CHNA's purpose should be more than porch parties. While our association is more than just events and social activities, it is these types of functions that invite us to disconnect from our busy lives and truly connect with and get to know our neighbors better.

Many of our best friends in the neighborhood were the result of meeting at a porch party. I've met people involved in charitable causes, and then saw how their passion inspired CHNA to get involved and support their missions. I've also met the entrepreneurs behind so many of St. Pete's beloved local businesses that surround our neighborhood or live just a few doors down.

Neighbors of all ages meet each other through attending and volunteering at these family-friendly, well-attended events. Amongst CHNA's most popular are the Halloween Block Party and Lights in the Heights Holiday Party.

The relationships and bonds formed from these events are part of what makes our community so special.

Not only is CHNA committed to ensuring we all have opportunities

to meet one another, but CHNA also plays an important role as a liaison organization with the City of St. Petersburg as an active participant of the Council of Neighborhood Associations (CONA). Through CONA, CHNA has access to an informational network of community advocates working to the benefit of the City's neighborhoods.

My hope for this year is that we can provide even more ways for neighbors to come together and deepen their sense of belonging and neighborhood pride. Stay tuned as I've got some ideas, but I'd love to hear your thoughts, too! If you'd like to share what's on your mind, please email me at crescentheights.president@gmail.com.

Until then, CHNA will continue to bring information to you on our website at crescentheightsneighborhood.com, seasonal newsletters, emails, Facebook and in our neighborhood meetings.



Interested in Hosting a Porch Party?

Contact Amy Youngs, CHNA events director, at events.chna@gmail.com or 813-300-4504.

Volunteer Opportunities

We are looking for volunteers to help make our neighborhood events a fun, memorable experience for **all!** To learn more or to get involved, please contact Amy Youngs, CHNA events director, at events.chna@gmail.com or 813-300-4504.





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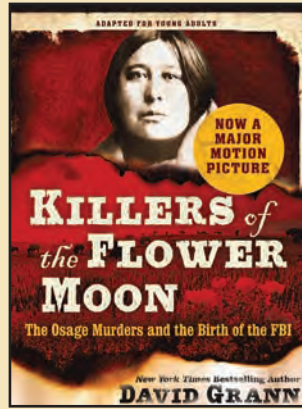
BOOK NOOK



Book Group 1 meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month from 7:00-9:00 PM
 Leader: Joanne Beckman
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Book Nook

Thanks to the neighborhood's great interest in CHNA's Book Club, we now have two Book Groups, each with its own distinct membership.



Killers of the Flower Moon

by David Grann

March 2024

In the 1920s, the richest people per capita were members of the Osage Nation in Oklahoma, after oil was discovered beneath their land. Then, one by one, the Osage began to be killed off. A special FBI undercover team works to expose one of the most chilling conspiracies in American history.

The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane

by Lisa See

April 2024

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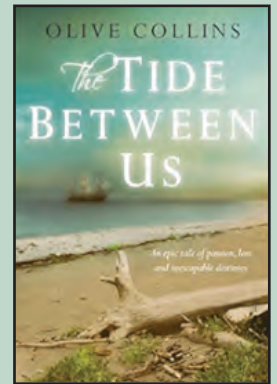


The Tide Between Us

by Olive Collins

May 2024

This novel is inspired by the real story of 2,000 Irish children deported to Jamaica in the early 1800s. Centered around Art O'Neill who is sent to Jamaica from Ireland at the age of ten, the author spins a multi-generational historical saga.



Book Group 2 meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Co-leaders: Melinda Borthick & Sharon Dubble

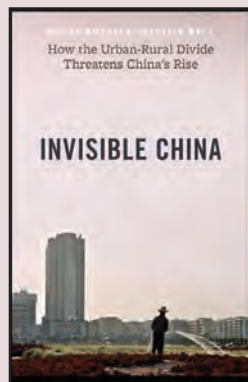
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Invisible China: How the Urban-Rural Divide Threatens China's Rise

by Scott Rozelle and Natalie Hell

April 2024

This book delves into how China has apparently transformed itself from a place of stark poverty into a modern, urban, technologically savvy economic powerhouse. The authors show that the truth is much more complicated and perhaps deeply concerning.



Trust

by Hernan Diaz

March 2024

Winner of the 2023 Pulitzer Prize, this novel engages the reader in a quest for the truth while confronting the deceptions that often live at the heart of personal relationships, the reality warping force of capital and the ease with which power can manipulate facts.

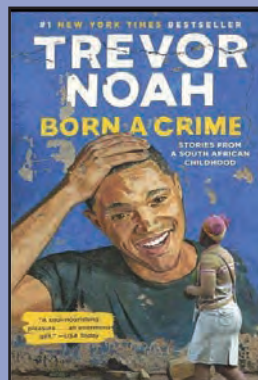


Born a Crime

by Trevor Noah

May 2024

Trevor Noah's unlikely path from apartheid South Africa to the desk of "The Daily Show" began with a criminal act: his birth. Trevor was born to a white Swiss father and a black Xhosa mother at a time when such a union was punishable by five years in prison. This memoir is not just an unnerving account of growing up in South Africa under apartheid, but a love letter to the author's remarkable mother.



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Congratulations to Andy Klein and Laura Lorenzen

One of the neighborhood's favorite traditions is Kevin Mort's Annual Chili and Cornbread Cook-off, which also marks the beginning of the year's Porch Parties series.

Kevin hosts this annual event every January for neighbors to come together, enjoy a meal and get to know each other. What better way than a little friendly competition?

Congratulations are in order for this year's winners!

Andy Klein took home the coveted Best Chili award and Laura Lorenzen won the cornbread category.

Join us in celebrating these winners by recreating their recipes for your family and friends. The recipes are available for download at crescentheightsneighborhood.com/2024-chili-cookoff-winners.

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Andy Klein won the award for Best Chili.



Laura Lorenzen won the award for Best Cornbread.

CHNA Member Spotlight: Ziba Mohammadi



In this series, we'll get to know our neighbors whose CHNA membership has helped make Crescent Heights a warm, welcoming and vibrant place to live. To kick things off, we're starting with the person who leads our membership program. Do you know a CHNA member who should be in the spotlight? Email editor.chna@gmail.com.

You might recognize Ziba Mohammadi from seeing her name or picture on many homes' FOR SALE signs around Crescent Heights. For Ziba, to be at home means to feel a deep sense of belonging and connection to your surroundings, including the people who live next door and down the street.

Ziba works to foster a sense of community as the membership director of CHNA. She plays an instrumental role in growing and maintaining our strong membership base, and in turn, the overall livelihood of the neighborhood. Fun fact: Ziba doubled the number of CHNA members when she became director a few years ago!

Why did you become a member of CHNA?

Before I even moved to Crescent Heights, I worked on a transportation project for the city and was extremely impressed with how this neighborhood association was eager to support the project and get things done! When I moved in 10 years ago, I started going to all of CHNA's events. I quickly realized that the people who live in this neighborhood are truly wonderful.

What is your favorite part about being a CHNA member?

In my role as membership director, I'm always walking the neighborhood to deliver flyers and membership material to people. I love having that facetime and hearing everyone's unique stories. You can always find me behind the membership booth at CHNA events. Please come say hello!

If someone was considering becoming a member, what advice would you give them?

Do it! We regularly host porch parties (my personal favorite) and family events that wouldn't be possible without the great support of our members. Whatever our members give to us, we give right back to them by creating opportunities that can help deepen your appreciation for and connection to Crescent Heights.

An annual membership is \$25 and renews every October. Visit crescentheightsneighborhood.com/become-a-member to become a member today. You can also bring cash or a check made payable to CHNA to any neighborhood event. Ziba says she'll even come pick it up from you! Contact her at membership.chna.ziba@gmail.com



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Small Business Spotlight • by Sara Howe Pageboy Vintage Market, Apothecary & Hair Studio

It doesn't take long to feel like you're right at home when you step inside Pageboy Vintage Market, Apothecary & Hair Studio. Located at 320 5th Ave. N. in downtown St. Petersburg, this cozy, 700-square-foot treasure trove is filled with old, familiar pieces that have been given a new life by shop owners David Kafer and Jason Hall. Something special will surely catch your eye.

For me, it wasn't the boutique candles, vintage oddities, colorful artwork or tea towels — though I'll take one of each, please! It was David and Jason's dog Audrey greeting me at the door, the couple planning their day over coffee and hair stylists catching up while prepping their stations. It was an overwhelming feeling that I was immediately amongst friends as soon as I arrived.

Pageboy is the fifth business that David and Jason have created together since their Midwestern roots crossed paths in the 90s. They found success when they combined their talents. David, an award-winning haircutting master and educator who has worked with everyone from Chelsea Clinton and Kesha to Arcade Fire and Young the Giant, and Jason, a creative entrepreneur with the savvy to leverage operations with striking marketing and design.

Most notably, David and Jason ran a salon in downtown Chicago for nearly two decades. What they thought was going to be a small venture quickly became the place to go for hair care, cuts and color. They expanded their services, opened a second location and employed a team of 50.

When they were ready to see more blue skies than gray, they moved south in search of the next place to call home. David and Jason lived in Savannah, GA, Fort Lauderdale and Key Largo before settling in St. Petersburg and then ultimately Crescent Heights in 2022.



When I asked them what they enjoy about the neighborhood, Jason said, "Everyone is so friendly. We were immediately welcomed by our neighbor who we are now so happy to call our friend. I love the quiet, tree-lined streets and our close proximity to local businesses like Blush Tea and Coffee and Trip's Diner."

They also shared how much they appreciate the city's small business community. David said, "Everyone truly wants to see everyone succeed. It is such a wonderful, close group of people willing to share ideas and experiences. Us small business owners are always checking in on each other, and for that, I'm grateful."

Congratulations to David and Jason for creating a truly special place in St. Petersburg where there's something for everyone to find. Pageboy is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Hair services are available by appointment only Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call 727-289-9677 or visit pageboystpt.com to learn more. Don't forget to follow (and join in) all the fun they're having on Instagram [@pageboystpete](https://www.instagram.com/pageboystpete), and keep an eye out for their next special event at the shop like Paint to Portrait and Plant a Vintage Pot parties.



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Of course, pigeons are not the only birds to exhibit homing, although that ability may be developed to a greater degree in that species than in others. Many scientists have performed studies to determine what mechanisms birds might use in homing to specific locations, both locally as well as long distance. For long-distance navigation, there is some evidence of use of the earth's magnetic field, the locations of the sun, moon and stars combined with the time of day, and geographic and local landmarks. Birds that make long migrations are known to use all these mechanisms.

Here in St. Pete, we don't have resident species that make long migrations. But we do host "snowbirds" like the northern white pelicans that make our locality their winter home. They certainly used their internal navigation systems to get here. But I think some remarkable homing is exhibited on a local scale by many of our feathered neighbors, particularly during nesting season.

Our friends Ross and Jimmy called our attention this spring to the nest of a yellow crowned night heron in a big pine tree on the corner of 26th Ave N and 7th St N. While Sharon and I have walked past that corner for years, we'd never noticed the young herons peering from the nest or perched on nearby branches until Ross called them to our attention.

While I find it curious that a species of heron would choose to nest in a tree in the middle of a developed neighborhood, Ross indicated that the nesting there has occurred annually for years. That a pair of herons, and possibly their progeny, show fidelity to a specific nesting site illustrates this bird's detailed familiarity with local landmarks.

Similarly, the "parking lot ospreys" I wrote about earlier regularly return to their light-pole nesting sites. In early January, I saw a beautifully plumed osprey perched on a tree at the Publix parking lot near the remnants of last year's nest, and another posing on a light pole out in front of the CVS on 37th and 4th near another nest site.

The same fidelity to nesting sites is shown by bald eagles and peregrine falcons, many of which are given names and star on "nest cam" videos that can be found on the internet. Of course, it isn't only these very charismatic birds that show such site fidelity.

If you are traveling on MLK and get stopped at a red light near the post office, you might see some small birds flitting around the traffic lights. If you look closely, you might recognize them as English sparrows, a species that really can only survive and prosper around human habitations. Many traffic lights are encased in metal housings that have openings, making them a prime nest box for a species well adapted to man-made environments. The fact that you can see birds using such nesting sites year after year despite their having short life spans suggests that the progeny produced there are imprinted on that kind of housing as a nest site. Similarly, the iridescent black starling, another species well adapted to man-made structures, can often be seen nesting in the long poles, open at their end, that support traffic lights. Traffic structures may seem to be a strange choice as a nest site for a bird, but what predator can threaten them out in the middle of a busy street!

Birds that use more natural nesting environments can also show fidelity to those sites. Our friends Maria and Mel, who live adjacent to Crescent Lake, host a mockingbird nest in a tree in their front yard annually. Given small birds' short lifespans, it suggests birds that fledged from that nest have memory of their place of origin as a good place to establish their own nest. Larger birds live longer than smaller birds but show the same fidelity to nesting as well as roosting sites. If you get out early enough in the morning, you may see many V-shaped formations of ibises that have departed from the nighttime roosts to forage somewhere in the area. The ibises we see feeding in the neighborhood have probably come from their roost on Bird Island in Coffee Pot Bayou. It's a short flight to our area, but ibises can make foraging flights as long as 30 miles if a good feeding location is found. With no Google Maps to guide them, it is likely that the flocks that you may see returning in the evening are using landmarks, including things like major roadways, to find their way back to their nighttime roost. I only wish that my navigation instincts were as well developed!

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- Cheryl H.

“From the day I met Leah, I was impressed with her professionalism. She had already handled 3 houses with our family and they were all just as happy as we were. She prepared me for the steps of the process and put me at ease with her plan to handle all of the arrangements. There was a major windstorm while the house was under contract and she helped negotiate the minor repairs that needed to be accomplished after the storm. I believe her greatest strength is her honesty and integrity. Even though I live on the East coast of Florida, I would ask her to handle my sale in the future, if ever needed.”

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Keep charities in mind this spring cleaning season • Sara Howe

Spring is in the air, and many of us are planning to welcome the new season with open windows and a mop. We'll soon find ourselves wading through storage and discovering treasures of yesteryear. If you're looking to part with gently used items that could end up sparking dust instead of joy, consider donating to some of our neighbors' favorite nonprofits around St. Pete.

Time-saving Tip: It's always best to confirm the types of items nonprofits are currently accepting before dropping off donations. A quick call to the organization of your choice will help guarantee your generosity makes an impact. Many nonprofits list their donation guidelines on their websites, too.

"I had a wonderful experience donating a headboard, bed frame, footboard and wheelchair to The Salvation Army. It was as easy as picking up the phone and scheduling a time for their crew to drive by and load everything into their truck. Their team was quick, efficient and kind."
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"My favorite spot to donate clothes, shoes and accessories is CASA Pinellas. All proceeds from their Thrift Boutique helps survivors of domestic violence get the support they need to confidently take on their next phase of life. And they have a convenient dropoff process."
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 - Amy Kelso

"John and I volunteer at the Food Pantry at the St. Pete Free Clinic, which has been providing health and food services to those in need throughout Pinellas County for more than 50 years. They can always use donations of non-perishable food, diapers and feminine hygiene products."
 Visit stpetersburgfreeclinic.org/support-program-needs for more information.
 - Laura Lorenzen

Now, what will you do with all that newly cleared space? I'm sure a sweet pup from Safe Paws Rescue would love to move in! Learn more about Safe Paws Rescue at safepawsrescue.com.

Making it Count

How citizen foresters bring value to Crescent Heights

By Rob Asselin and Nioma Brown

We all love the charm of Crescent Heights, with its mature trees lining the streets. But those trees bring more than just a vibe. Mature trees provide concrete economic benefits to all of us.

Urban planners have increasingly focused on understanding and quantifying the benefits that mature trees bring to a city. Trees improve air quality, reduce stormwater runoff, reduce urban temperatures and even reduce cooling costs for individual homeowners.

The city has found that the trees we have inventoried in Crescent Heights provide more than \$37,000 in tangible benefits to the neighborhood. But how do you estimate these benefits and where do you start? You must know what you have for trees and how large they have grown.

Inventoring trees is a big job — too big for one person or department. That’s where the citizen foresters come into the picture. St. Pete was looking for neighborhoods interested in quantifying their trees and Crescent Heights neighbors stood up for the challenge. In July 2021, our efforts began by training citizen foresters on how to correctly identify the species, size and attributes of our trees. More than 30 people gathered at Nioma Brown’s house to be trained and develop a strategy to get our trees counted. The first few months saw the tree counts growing, as citizen foresters enthusiastically worked together to add the trees. Inevitably, the weather — it’s no fun counting when temps are 90 degrees or higher — and personal time and the large number of Crescent Heights’ trees slowed down our progress.

Fast forward to 2024, and we are nearing the completion of our tree inventory through the help of so many volunteers. The inventory is now starting to give us a picture of our trees and the value they bring.

The current inventory of over 1,700 trees in Crescent Heights shows that laurel oaks and live oaks are over half the species in our neighborhood. Crepe myrtles and various types of palm make up most of the rest.

Diversity of trees is important as you do not want to have too many of one species, which could create vulnerabilities in the case of a blight or disease. Size of trees is also important. Live oaks live for a very long time; several hundred years is not unusual. But laurel oaks are another story. While they grow large, they have a much more limited lifespan, and many of our laurel oaks are coming to the end of their lives.

So, what trees do you use to replace the laurel oak? Is there a better choice? What else should you plant? And are you planting the tree in the right place? These are the many questions that the city and all of us should consider regarding the trees in our neighborhood.

Creating the inventory is really just the beginning of our neighborhood’s tree journey. Stay tuned as we begin to use the inventory and advice to ensure there are beautiful trees in Crescent Heights, not just for their charm, but also for all of the benefits the trees bring to the whole neighborhood.

For more information visit, crescentheightsneighborhood.com



Live Oak Tree
and Acorns



Laurel Oak Tree
and Acorns

Find your flock with John Ficken

John Ficken has led several bird walks around St. Petersburg and even organizes special walks for his Crescent Heights neighbors to enjoy. In fact, he's observed over 115 species at Crescent Lake! Let's get to know — and learn from — our birder next door.

How did you get started with birding?

My parents were ornithologists who studied birds' vocalizations and social behaviors. They would take us on research trips around the U.S. As a kid, I wasn't very interested. However, six years ago, I read "Birding Without Borders: An Obsession, a Quest, and the Biggest Year in the World" by Noah Strycker. I took notes, bought an old camera and have been hooked ever since!

What kind of birds can we expect to see around Crescent Lake?

The cool American white pelicans, which are among the largest birds in the U.S., are easy to spot. And of course, you may have spotted rafts of ducks, grebes and gulls competing with the pelicans for our lake's aquatic delicacies. However, the lake will look very different in a few months.

How so?

The American white pelicans and most of the ducks only winter here and will head north in April or May to breed elsewhere. But don't despair because summering birds such as the least tern and great-crested flycatcher show up just about the time the others depart.

What other kinds of birds migrate through our neighborhood?

Several species of songbirds migrate through Pinellas County in the spring and back through again in the fall. During the migratory peaks in April and October, you may spot many unique-looking warblers and vireos in the live oaks for a day or two and then, in a flash, they're on their way.

Are there any birds that live here year round?

Let's not take for granted the dozens of yearlong denizens of our lake like the ubiquitous white ibis, common gallinules, fish crows, anhingas and all of our herons and egrets.

What advice do you have for people who want to try birding?

Learning which of the 160+ Crescent Lake bird species are likely to be here at any point in time is just one of the reasons birding can be equally fascinating and daunting. Luckily, there are some great resources for curious birders at any level:

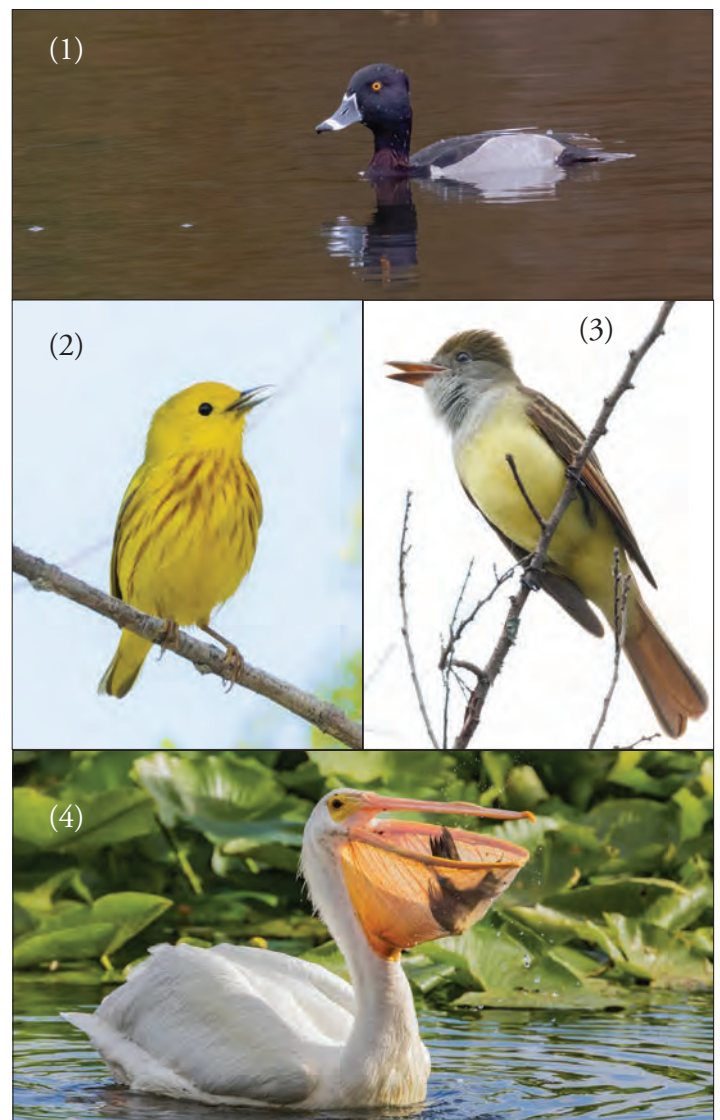
1. If you're interested in a casual hour-long bird walk around Crescent Lake, please contact me at Info@Soulinec.org. It is a great way to put your spotting skills to the test and meet people who share your interest!

2. St. Petersburg Audubon Society also sponsors frequent bird walks, including one I'm leading at Crescent Lake on March 23. More information about these events can be found at stpeteaudubon.org/field-trips-events

3. Finally, for both beginners and pros, a few apps really accelerate bird identification, including my personal favorite, Merlin Bird ID. It reveals the birds you'll most likely encounter in any location and includes an amazing bird-song identification feature.

Name That Feathered Friend

Can you identify each of the birds in these photos snapped by John Ficken? What about the season you can expect to spot them St. Petersburg? Answers can be found on page 16.



Neighborhood Events:

CHNA Neighborhood Meeting

Monday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m.
Blush Tea and Coffee
2382 Dr. M.L.K. Jr. St. N.

Guest speakers:

Luis Martinez, Community Service Officer
Lisset Hanewicz, Council Member District 4
Jim Bays, President, Stewards of Our Urban
Lakes, Dean Hay, Senior Urban Forester, City
of St. Pete

Porch Party at Erica and Bruce Allums's House

Friday, March 15 7 p.m.
780 25th Ave. N.
Bring a dish to share and BYOB.

Crescent Lake Bird Walk with John Ficken

Saturday, March 16 at 8 a.m.

CHNA Neighborhood Yard Sale in partnership with Safe Paws Rescue

Saturday, March 23 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

CHNA's Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 30 from 4 to 6 p.m.
Crescent Lake Park
20th Ave. N. & Crescent Lake Dr. N.
Egg hunt, light snacks, crafts and a special
appearance from the Easter Bunny.
Please deliver plastic eggs to 785 25th Ave. N.
by Thursday, March 28.

CHNA Neighborhood Social

Sunday, April 14 from 3 to 5 p.m.
Golden Isles Brewing Co.
3000 Dr M.L.K. Jr. St. N.

Cinco De Mayo Neighborhood Block Party

Sunday, May 5 3-6 p.m.
Stay tuned for details! Follow Crescent Heights
Neighborhood Association on Facebook.

Crescent Lake Park Cleanups

March 30, April 27 and May 18 at 9 a.m.
Meet at the TASCOS parking lot
1320 5th St. N.

[eventbrite.com/e/crescent-lake-cleanup-tickets-647478394307?aff=oddtcreator](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/crescent-lake-cleanup-tickets-647478394307?aff=oddtcreator)

Interested in hosting a Porch Party?

Contact Amy Youngs, CHNA events director,
at events.chna@gmail.com or
813-300-4504.



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Volunteer Opportunities

We are looking for volunteers to help make
our neighborhood events a fun, memorable
experience for all!

Easter Egg Hunt Family Event

March 30
Purchase 10 to 20 plastic Easter eggs and
deliver them to 785 25th Ave. N.
by Thursday, March 28
Set up the event
Lead an activity booth
Break down the event

Cinco De Mayo Neighborhood Block Party

May 5th
Set up the event
Lead an activity booth
Break down the event

To learn more or to get involved, please
contact Amy Youngs, CHNA events
director, at events.chna@gmail.com or
813-300-4504.

What's Up Around Town:

Cirque du Soleil BAZZAR

Feb. 22 to March 24
Under the Big Top at Tropicana Field
1 Tropicana Dr.
cirquedusoleil.com

Embracing Our Differences Outdoor Art Exhibit

March 2-31
Poynter Park
1000 3rd St. S.
embracingourdifferences.org

Monthly Little Surrealist Tour for families with kids ages 4-11

March 3 to June 2, First Sunday
The Dali
Thedali.org

Firestone Grand Prix

March 8-10
400 1st Street South
gpstpete.com

Reggae Rise Up

March 14-17
Vinoy Park
Bayshore Dr. NE & 5th Ave. NE.
reggaeriseup.com

Tampa Bay Rays Home Opener

March 28
Tropicana Field
1 Tropicana Dr.
mlb.com/rays

American Stage Presents: Disney's "Beauty and the Beast"

April 3 to May 5
Demens Landing Park
Bayshore Dr. & 2nd Ave. S
americanstage.org

SPCA Tampa Bay's 33rd Annual Pet Walk

April 6
North Straub Park
400 Bayshore Dr. NE.
spcatampabay.org

Tampa Bay Blues Festival

April 12-14
Vinoy Park
Bayshore Dr. NE & 5th Ave. NE.
tampabaybluesfest.com

Suncoast Pickleball Expo

April 18
The Coliseum
535 4th Ave. N.
Reserve your spot on eventbrite.com.

Green Thumb Festival

April 27-28
Walter Fuller Park
7891 26th Ave. N.
stpeteparksrec.org/greenthumb/

MaMaPaLooZa: A Celebration of Moms

May 4
Museum of Motherhood at The Factory
St. Pete
2606 Fairfield Ave. S.
mommuseum.org

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Answers to "Name That Feathered Friend"

1. Ring-necked duck (Winter)
2. Yellow warbler (Migrates through)
3. Great-crested flycatcher (Summer)
4. American white pelican (Winter)