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# CHNA Newsletter

Crescent Heights Neighborhood Association Newsletter

**Your Membership Builds Strong Neighborhood Bonds!**

Porch Parties • Neighborhood Meet-ups • Book Clubs • Block Parties



Porch Party



Golden Isle Brewery



Book Club #1



Book Club #2





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Join online at [crescentheightsneighborhood.com](http://crescentheightsneighborhood.com), or bring cash or check made payable to CHNA to any neighborhood meeting or event. We accept PayPal and additional donations. Questions about CHNA Membership? Contact Ziba Mohammadi, membership chair, at [membership.chna.ziba@gmail.com](mailto:membership.chna.ziba@gmail.com)

**Stay in the know! Subscribe to CHNA emails.**

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](mailto:lauraliam5@gmail.com) or text 813-431-0478.

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**CHNA Merchandise**

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Do you often wonder why people do the things they do, good or bad? Does it make you shake your head or smile? I've been asked (mostly by those not living in Crescent Heights) why did you agree to be President? Most would smile, but some shake their head when I expressed my love for the neighborhood and our beautiful city. It's my why and I am proud to own it!

So why should you join CHNA or if you are a member already (thanks!) why should you get involved? Our purpose is for the betterment of the neighborhood. Betterment can mean many things and it is through getting to know one another at our events and meetings that we become stronger as a community. Ideas for group activities, such as our Book Clubs, spring from neighbors meeting others with common interests. Our community also includes the businesses on our perimeter within the Crescent Heights geography. When we know our neighbors and support our local businesses, we all benefit and thrive.

Nowhere was this more apparent than at our recent Cinco de Mayo block party. The idea was hatched by our Events Director Amy Youngs back in January. Instead of a summer gathering where we can often be rained out, and with many neighbors traveling in the summertime, Amy's idea was for a spring event. With the success of our Halloween and Lights in the Heights block parties, Amy thought why not go big and add a third one? Around this same time, we were approached by La Segunda and Jenny Roche for sponsorship opportunities. Southbound Tequila was all in as a new brand with a unique way to promote their product. Little Llamas, a Crescent Heights resident-owned business and located in our neighborhood, also wanted in on the festivities. We estimated 175-200 people coming and going during the three-hour event! This turnout was amazing for a first-time event, even by Crescent Heights standards!



CHNA President Amy Kelso and Events Director Amy Youngs enjoy the neighborhood's festivities for Cinco de Mayo.

There were many activities for the kids, lots of food, margaritas for the adults and even a local Mariachi Band! Many thanks to the CHNA volunteers who helped us out that day!

Even with the event sponsorships, your CHNA dues funded about a third of the cost of our Cinco de Mayo celebration, which is typical for our other events as well. Liability Insurance alone is \$300 for the day for these block parties. We continue to be grateful for your support which allows us to continue having these events.

So what's next?

We are forming an Events Committee so that ideas and involvement from more neighbors can contribute to our Halloween and Lights in the Heights events. A few folks have already joined in, so if you are interested, too, please let me know at [crescentheights.president@gmail.com](mailto:crescentheights.president@gmail.com) or Amy Youngs at [amyyoungs1981@gmail.com](mailto:amyyoungs1981@gmail.com).

Additional social meet-ups are also in the works, such as our CHNA social at Golden Isles Brewing where 25 people shared some brews and conversation on a beautiful April afternoon.

For our next Membership meeting on June 3, there will be time to learn about other interest groups that you would like to form. Please bring your great ideas – but not before 6:30 p.m. please! Blush Tea and Coffee (another Crescent Heights-owned business) is not open on Mondays and cannot accommodate us earlier than 6:30 p.m. when refreshments are ready. We hope to see you there!

Contact Rae Madson if interested in forming a card group at; [rmadson77@gmail.com](mailto:rmadson77@gmail.com)





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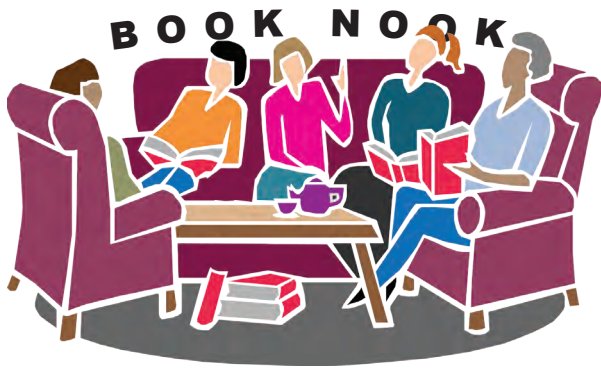
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**Book Group 1** meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month from 7:00-9:00 PM

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No meetings during the months of June & July



On April 23, the CHNA #1 Book Club discussed *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* by Lisa See. The following week, five of us drank delicious tea at the Noisy Crane Tea House on 2340 1st Ave S for a recap of the book by tea master KC as we sampled some Puer/Pu-erh/Pu'er tea mentioned in the book along with other teas.

**From left around the table;** Susan Allen, Joanne Beckman, Jessica Tomlinson, Maureen Camphire and Pat Wood

By Joanne Beckman

## 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.



### *The Best of Enemies*

by Osha Gray Davidson

June 2024

C. P. Ellis grew up in the poor White section of Durham, North Carolina, and as a young man joined the Ku Klux Klan. Ann Atwater, a single mother from the poor Black part of town, quit her job as a household domestic to join the civil rights fight. Rich with details about the rhythms of daily life in the mid-20th-century South, the book offers a vivid portrait of a relationship that defied all odds.

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

Co-leaders: Melinda Borthick & Sharon Dubble Contact: [chreads@gmail.com](mailto:chreads@gmail.com)

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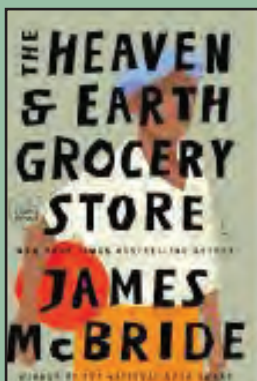
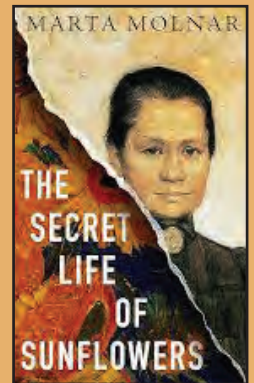
### *The Secret Life of Sunflowers*

by Dana Marton writing for Marta Molnar

June 2024

Hollywood auctioneer Emsley Wilson finds her famous grandmother's diary while cleaning out her New York brownstone. But the first surprise is that the diary isn't her grandmother's! It belonged to Johanna Bonger, Vincent Van Gogh's sister-in-law. Johanna inherited Van Gogh's paintings when they weren't worth anything and managed to introduce Van Gogh's legacy to the world.

This inspiration couldn't come at a better time for Emsley... Can she find answers to her present dilemmas in the past?



### *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store*

by James McBride

July 2024

The discovery of a skeleton at the bottom of a well unearthed two long-held secrets kept by the residents of Chicken Hill, PA. Immigrant Jews and African Americans lived side by side and shared ambitions and sorrows. The novel depicts how much the people who live on the margins of society struggle and what they must do to survive. It is a reminder: "Against seemingly impossible odds, even in the midst of humanity's most wicked designs, love, community and action can save us."



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## Vote-by-Mail Ballot by Salvador Valles

Did you vote by mail in the last election? Under the new law (SB 90) passed by the legislature and signed by the governor in 2021, you need to submit a new request for a vote-by-mail ballot for the 2024 elections. According to a Tampa Bay Times article on July 22, 2023, fewer Tampa Bay residents who voted by mail in 2022 are signed up to get a mail in ballot in 2024.

The new law requires that vote-by-mail requests last for two years instead of four. All existing vote-by-mail request were voided after the 2022 election. If you voted by mail in 2022 and provided the required information on your certificate envelope, your mail ballot request should have been renewed. Otherwise, your mail ballot requests will have expired on December 31, 2022.

You can check the status of your vote-by-mail ballot request or make a new mail ballot request at the following links on the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections website.

Status: [www.vote-pinellas.gov/checkmymailballotstatus](http://www.vote-pinellas.gov/checkmymailballotstatus)

New Request: [www.vote-pinellas.gov/VoteByMail](http://www.vote-pinellas.gov/VoteByMail)

In addition to the above website link to request a vote-by-mail ballot, you can also request a vote-by-mail ballot by 1) calling the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections Office at (727) 464-VOTE (8683), or 2) by sending an email to [MailBallot@VotePinellas.gov](mailto:MailBallot@VotePinellas.gov)



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## 2024 Residential Land Development Regulations Update

Following the adoption of the City of St. Petersburg's Land Development Regulations in 2007, amendments to the Residential Land Development Regulations were approved in 2017 to further ensure the goals and visions of the plan were being met. Among the approved text amendments were several zoning-district specific design regulations and the establishment of a residential Floor Area Ratio (FAR) limit for new homes within traditional neighborhoods to address concerns surrounding the scale and compatibility of new residential development. The City of St. Petersburg has now initiated an evaluation of these Land Development Regulation amendments to determine the resulting influence on the built environment and provide the opportunity to address additional feedback from residential builders and neighborhood stakeholders. Additional topics to be addressed include residential building design standards, fencing design standards and allowable materials, use of artificial turf, and parking of domestic equipment (boats, trailers) in the front yard.

### Upcoming Meetings

June 26: Stakeholder Workshops

Location: Empath Suncoast Hospice South County Community Service Center - 3050 1st Ave S, St. Petersburg, FL 33712

Time: 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

September 4 (tentative): Development Review Commission – Workshop

September 12 (tentative): Housing, Land Use and Transportation Committee

September 18: Council of Neighborhood Associations

October 2: Development Review Commission – Public Hearing

November/December: City Council – First and Second Reading/Public Hearing

Helpful resources, including the St. Petersburg Comprehensive Plan, St. Petersburg City Code, Chapter 16, Land Development Regulations, and the Interactive Zoning and Future Land Use Map are available at:

[stpete.org/residents/current\\_projects/planning\\_projects/2024\\_residential\\_land\\_development\\_regulations\\_update.php](http://stpete.org/residents/current_projects/planning_projects/2024_residential_land_development_regulations_update.php)

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Review Pinellas County's Hurricane Guide at [pinellas.gov/make-a-plan/hurricane-guide](http://pinellas.gov/make-a-plan/hurricane-guide).

Find resources from the Florida Division of Emergency Management at [floridadisaster.org](http://floridadisaster.org).

View the latest tropical information from the National Hurricane Center [nhc.noaa.gov](http://nhc.noaa.gov).

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So what should you do if you find kittens?

**STOP. Don't remove them immediately!**

If they are critically ill or injured, take them to an emergency vet.

If they appear healthy, estimate their age:



**1-2 Weeks**

Eyes still closed or barely beginning to open.



**2-4 Weeks**

Eyes open and alert, starting to move around.



**4-6 Weeks**

Very mobile and talkative, can eat food.



**6-8 Weeks**

Very active and playful, weighs 1-2 lbs.



**8+ Weeks**

Very active and playful, weighs 2lbs or more.

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# Small Business Spotlight

## Little Llamas Boutique

Long before our Crescent Heights neighbors Alison and Jon Brett opened Little Llamas Boutique, Alison was immersed in the world of marine biology, working to protect Florida's diverse marine wildlife. Jon, meanwhile, was providing content creation and digital marketing services for companies in the marine industry as well as competing (and repeatedly winning) notorious fly fishing tournaments.

Alison's path to entrepreneurship took a creative turn in 2010 when she was asked to pick up a camera to document a project for her employer, Florida Fish & Wildlife Research Institute. Her passion for photography quickly blossomed, and by 2012, she had transitioned from photographing fish for science to capturing the joy and wonder of families and children through her business, Alison Amick Photography.

In 2019, Alison launched Little Llamas Portraits, a studio nestled within the Body Electric building on 30th Ave N. She specialized in children's portraiture, capturing the authentic essence of each child through fun and stress-free candid black-and-white portraiture. Her work quickly gained national recognition, further fueling her entrepreneurial spirit.

Alison's keen eye for detail and ability to capture the unique personalities of her young subjects soon caught the attention of renowned brands like Baby Dove, Pampers, and Marriott. Working alongside elite stylists and editorial teams on these high-profile commercial projects facilitated her passion for children's fashion and sparked an idea.

St. Pete, in all its glory (and 500 pet stores) somehow lacked an outlet for parents to shop for new, quality baby and kids clothing. Alison and Jon's growing desire to create a unique shopping experience led to the opening of Little Llamas Boutique in the summer of 2023. More than just a store, Little Llamas is a reflection of their commitment to sustainability, celebrating individuality, and the joy of childhood. Their carefully curated selection of designer clothing, accessories, and toys for newborns to tweens features designer brands that prioritize ethical production, fair labor practices, and minimal environmental impact.



Alison & Jon

Each vibrant collection is handpicked, offering items you'd typically find only in fashion-forward cities like Miami or New York. Little Llamas also has plans to feature a small pre-loved section where shoppers can trade in their gently used treasures for store credit.

Alison and Jon invite you to celebrate the first anniversary of Little Llamas Boutique with a special event on June 21. The day will kick off with an official ribbon-cutting ceremony hosted by the St. Petersburg Area Chamber of Commerce, followed by a children's fashion show that's sure to delight.

Little Llamas Boutique is located at 2319 Dr M.L.K. Jr St N. (adjacent to Trip's Diner). Their shop is open 7 days a week, and locals can shop online / pickup in-store at [littlellamaschildrensboutique.com](http://littlellamaschildrensboutique.com) or visit Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m and on the weekends from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The boutique also hosts its sister company, Little Llamas Portraits, and private 1:1 in-studio portrait sessions can be scheduled anytime online at [littlellamasportraits.com](http://littlellamasportraits.com)



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- Cheryl H.

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# Nature Watch South

## The Good, The Bad and The Buggy • Bill Richkus

I sometimes think that the Florida Suncoast, within which Saint Petersburg lies, is home to a greater variety of insects than anywhere else in the U.S. that I've lived or visited. Not only might it excel in the number of species present, but it might also be a contender for having the greatest abundance of the least desirable species.

Step out into the yard in the evening anywhere in Crescent Heights during our warm weather and you are likely to be swarmed by the tiny but incredibly fast Asian tiger mosquito (*Aedes albopictus*). If one of these little gals stays still long enough (only females feed on blood), most likely when it is piercing your skin with its proboscis, you might be able to see the alternating black and white bars on its tiny legs that are the basis for its common name. One of the species' most irritating characteristics is that it is active in the daytime, particularly early morning and late afternoon. Once they've had their meal of blood, females can lay from 40 to 150 eggs about once a week for several weeks, which explains their great abundance. I have friends who swear by the efficacy of some of the residential mosquito control companies, but I just can't believe company claims that their insecticide treatments are mosquito specific and of no harm to many of our beneficial insects. I think the best one can do to control mosquito abundance is to limit the places where even tiny amounts of water might be present, since mosquito larvae require water for their survival.

We have another common insect pest whose adverse impacts, unlike those of the mosquitoes, often go unsuspected and unseen. We may not know they are present until damage is of such magnitude that it causes significant financial distress. The West Indian drywood termite (*Cryptotermes brevis*) is pretty amazing, since it lives and thrives in wood, with no need for moisture beyond what is present in the wood itself. The result is that colonies can expand within a home's wooden structures, unseen by the homeowner until a swarm of winged juveniles suddenly appears on a window sill or piles of what appears to be sawdust (but is in fact termite feces) appear on the floor. One can tell how common this pest is by the frequent appearance of tenting covering neighbors' homes. This fumigation process is the only way to ensure the elimination of this invisible pest.

If you are a gardener, you likely dread the appearance of the beautiful but destructive lubber. This black grasshopper with a yellow or green stripe down its back is very large as an adult, up to 3 inches or so in length. Needless to say, they have to eat a lot to get to that size.



To go out in your yard and see a small shrub covered by a swarm of tens of juveniles is very distressing. All the foliage on a plant can be devoured overnight, and this critter has no major predators and is very resistant to many pesticides. So shaking them into ziplock bags is one of the only effective control mechanisms.

And how about the disturbing presence of a palmetto bug climbing your living room or bathroom wall? I find the name an amusing euphemistic term for what is simply a really large cockroach. But unlike the small cockroach species that are a sign of food or grime in a home, the poor palmetto bug generally has inadvertently gotten into your home instead of finding its way to the mulch or woodpile that is its preferred shelter.

Fortunately, our part of Florida nurtures not only bad and ugly bugs but also a great number of beneficial and beautiful insects. I manage a community garden that is located behind the St. Pete Vineyard Church, located on the corner of 50th Ave N and 10th St. N. Quite a few of the garden members are residents of Crescent Lake and Crescent Heights, and all participate in our battles to protect our precious vegetable plants from the wide range of garden insect marauders. It was a pleasant change of pace to recently establish a pollinator garden adjacent to the veggies. With the help of Laya, a high school senior serving as a Garden Ambassador for the *Keep Pinellas Beautiful* organization, the garden was designed, weeded, mulched and planted with a variety of plants attractive to butterflies and beneficial pollinators. The tall flower stalks of salvia are constantly swarmed by honey bees and bumblebees, including the large black carpenter bee, as well as a number of different butterfly species. I'm amazed at how the milkweed plants have drawn in more monarch butterflies than I have ever seen at the garden. They are constantly feeding on the flowers, chasing each other around and laying eggs on the plant leaves. The pretty light green caterpillars do defoliate a lot of the plants but the emergence of the black and orange adults makes the damage acceptable. A pipe vine on an adjacent arbor is host to more gross appearing black caterpillars that grow into gorgeous black swallowtail butterflies. I can almost forget about mosquitoes, termites, and politics when I sit next to the pollinator garden and simply observe all the beautiful insect activity. If you would be interested in joining the garden, email me at [brichkus@gmail.com](mailto:brichkus@gmail.com).





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### Neighborhood Events:

#### CHNA Neighborhood Meeting

Monday, June 3rd at 6:30 p.m.  
Blush Tea and Coffee  
2382 Dr. M.L.K. Jr. St. N.

#### Guest speakers:

Officer Martinez report,  
Trica Smith from the St Pete Library System

#### Save the Dates for Upcoming Neighborhood Events

Oct. 26: CHNA Halloween Block Party

Nov. 4: CHNA General Membership meeting at Blush Tea and Coffee

Dec. 7: CHNA Lights in the Heights

#### Interested in hosting a Porch Party?

Contact Amy Youngs, CHNA events director, at [events.chna@gmail.com](mailto:events.chna@gmail.com) or 813-300-4504.

Contact **Rae Madson** if interested in forming a card group at; [rmadson77@gmail.com](mailto:rmadson77@gmail.com)

#### Join the CHNA Events Committee!

Want to help make our neighborhood events extra special? To learn how or to get involved, please contact Amy Youngs, CHNA events director, at [events.chna@gmail.com](mailto:events.chna@gmail.com) or 813-300-4504.

### What's Up Around Town:

#### Reimagining Nature: Dalí's Floral Fantasies

Now through Oct. 20  
The Dalí Museum  
1 Dalí Blvd.  
[thedali.org](http://thedali.org)

#### American Stage Presents:

Hedwig and the Angry Inch  
Now-June 16  
American Stage at 163 Third St. N and Jannus Live at 200 1st Ave N STE 206  
[americanstage.org/shows/hedwig-at-jannus](http://americanstage.org/shows/hedwig-at-jannus)

#### 2024 St. Pete Pride Kickoff Block Party

June 1  
2300 & 2400 Blocks of Central Ave  
[stpetepride.org](http://stpetepride.org)

#### Tampa Bay Rays Pride Game

June 8 Tropicana Field  
1 Tropicana Field Drive  
[mlb.com/rays/tickets/specials/themes/pride](http://mlb.com/rays/tickets/specials/themes/pride)

#### The PWRTRC 2024 Juneteenth Music Festival

June 15  
Albert Whitted Park 480 Bayshore Drive  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-pwrtrc-2024-juneteenth-literacy-music-festival-tickets-869462474667?aff=odcleoeventsincollection>

#### Tampa Bay Rays Dog Day

June 30  
Tropicana Field  
1 Tropicana Field Drive  
[mlb.com/rays/tickets/specials/themes/dog-day-june](http://mlb.com/rays/tickets/specials/themes/dog-day-june)

#### 2024 St. Pete Pride Parade Festival, presented by CAN Community Health

June 22  
North & South Straub Parks  
[stpetepride.org](http://stpetepride.org)

#### The Fourth at the St. Pete Pier

July 4  
Spa Beach Park & Family Park on the St. Pete Pier  
600 2nd Ave NE  
[stpetepier.org/event/the-fourth-st-pete-pier/](http://stpetepier.org/event/the-fourth-st-pete-pier/)

#### National Day of the Cowboy & Cowgirl

July 27  
The James Museum  
150 Central Avenue  
[thejamesmuseum.org/eventarchive/cowbyday-2024/](http://thejamesmuseum.org/eventarchive/cowbyday-2024/)

#### 13th Annual Great St. Pete Cupcake Contest

Aug. 24  
Morean Arts Center  
420 22nd St S  
[moreanartscenter.org/cupcakes/](http://moreanartscenter.org/cupcakes/)



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