



# The Broadwater Breeze

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News and information for the Broadwater Community in St. Petersburg, Florida





## 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Broadwater Boat Parade of Holiday Lights Saturday Dec. 16th



Join us on the sea or the land for the 2017 Broadwater Boat Parade starting at 6:45 PM. We had a great turnout on the water and shore last year and expect more of the same this year as the competition heats up for the trophy! For those who do not have access to the water, the Canizares family is allowing access to their property for viewing. You may enter via the gate at the west end of 42<sup>nd</sup> Ave S (same as the Halloween party). Bring a lawn chair or blanket and a flashlight and enjoy the boats as they enter and exit the main canal. The route will be different from last year as the last year as the parade will begin in the 42<sup>nd</sup> Ave S canal. The map and voting information will be posted at <a href="www.broadwaterfl.org">www.broadwaterfl.org</a> and sent out on Infolink and Nextdoor. Enter your boat by emailing <a href="broadwaterholidayboatparade@gmail.com">broadwaterholidayboatparade@gmail.com</a>.

# SAVE THE DATE

Dec 9: Broadwater Holiday Party – National Guard Armory

Dec 16: Broadwater Boat Parade of Holiday Lights

Dec 17: Helping Hands Holiday Caroling

### 2018 (Subject to Change)

Jan 25: Board of Directors Meeting

Feb 2: Spring Broadwater Breeze Deadline

Mar 8: General Meeting

### 2018 (Confirmed)

Mar 10: Neighborhood Garage Sale

Apr 22: Broadwater Family Picnic

May 5: May Day Race

### **Beautification Award Winter 2017**

Congratulations! Tim & Kristie Wagner 3785 42th Ave S



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### **BLOCK CAPTAINS**

We are still looking for a new Block Captain for the north end of 45th St S (4200-4388). If you live in or near this block and would like to be a Block Captain please contact Tom at

t.ando@turtlese.com or 727-638-1421. Broadwater has 23

Block Captains who are your street level representatives in Broadwater. Each street or area has a Block Captain assigned to be your first contact for neighborhood questions or concerns. Block Captains also hand deliver the Broadwater Breeze and can collect your 2018 membership dues. If you do not know who your Block Captain is, go to <a href="https://www.broadwaterfl.org">www.broadwaterfl.org</a> for contact information. The top Block Captains for membership in 2017 were Tom Ando (38<sup>th</sup> St. & 37<sup>th</sup> St South of 42<sup>nd</sup> Ave) at 96%, Judith Schleicher (4300-4425 48<sup>th</sup> Ave S) at

83%, Jack Maynard (43<sup>rd</sup> St S) at 81% and Six Block Captains at 70% or greater. Thanks to all of our Block Captains for their time and efforts making Broadwater a great place to live!!



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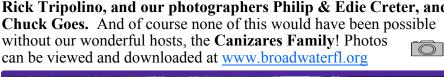
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### Halloween Party

It was another perfect night for the 5th Annual Broadwater Halloween Party on October 14<sup>th</sup>. With over 200 attendees including 83 children, we had some great really great costumes to go along with the haunted maze, hay ride and great food and music. The adult costume party was great with Diane Stankiewicz (the witch) winning scariest costume, Jeff Dykas & Terri Shafer (Major Nelson & Jeannie) winning funniest and Charlie & Christy Phillips (Man O War & Jellyfish) winning most origi-

nal. Thank you to all who dressed up! This event was made possible through the planning and hard work of Sean, Jennifer & Nova Nyitray, Gia & Ray Ockuly, Mark & Patti Ewin and Tim & Kristie Wagner. Thanks also to Tim Stevenson, Tom & Dana Ando, Charlie & Christie Phillips, Barbara Boryslawski, Austin Miller, Rick Ross, Gerry Moore, Jonathan Kind, Rich Ruiz, Dawn & Rick Tripolino, and our photographers Philip & Edie Creter, and **Chuck Goes.** And of course none of this would have been possible without our wonderful hosts, the Canizares Family! Photos















# Broadwater Helping Hands Holiday Caroling and Lights Tour December 17<sup>th</sup> 6 PM – 9 PM



All carolers should meet at the Grand Villa at 6 PM. We will carol for Grand Villa residents, share some cookies, and then ride the St. Petersburg open air trolley through Broadwater enjoying the holiday decorations and stopping at designated points within the neighborhood to carol for neighbors. Please note that the trolley is limited to the first twenty (20) people to RSVP. Designated stopping points will include cul-de-sacs, central gathering points, and at the homes of residents. A map of the event will be posted on the website, Nextdoor and on the Evite. To that end, if you know of a resident who might enjoy us stopping at their home to carol, please contact Kristen Mory at 727-688-9597 or Kristenmory@yahoo.com. The tour will end at Grand Villa around 9 PM. This caroling and light tour is made possible through the Mayor's Neighborhood Mini Grant Program. Visit www.broadwaterfl.org to reserve a seat on the trolley.

If you or a neighbor in Broadwater needs a helping hand or you would like to be a Helping Hands volunteer, please contact Kristen Mory at 727-688-9597 or <a href="mailto:kristenmory@yahoo.com">kristenmory@yahoo.com</a>



### The Skyway Marina District

We wish to thank the many Broadwater residents who volunteer their time to contribute to the success of the Skyway Marina District!! We are seeing ground being broke on the Wawa and Phillips Development sites. Phillips unveiled their plans for their site at our Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> General Meeting. Thanks to Hurricane Irma, Maximo Marina has started on phase 2 with phase 1 expected to be completed toward the end of 2017. The Getaway restaurant is now hoping for a

February opening so stay tuned. You should be seeing other capital improvements in the district as well. The

4th Annual May Day Race will be held on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Broadwater will be a sponsor for the race once again and Kristen is looking for volunteers to help make this another success in 2018. If you wish to help out now, or on race day, contact her at 727-688-9597 or kristenmory@vahoo.com. Please support these efforts and events as the success of the Skyway Marina District will benefit our businesses, neighborhoods and ultimately our city. Stay connected via Facebook or at skywaymarinadistrict.org



### Carefest 2017

On September 30<sup>th</sup> the City of St. Petersburg took part in Carefest. Carefest is a national event dedicated to organizing volunteers for a variety of projects designed to improve the quality of life for neighborhoods and individuals in need. **Thanks go out to Vicki Linkovich, Evelyn Hill, Paul & Lee Krueger and Tom Ando** for volunteering to staff the registration tables at Lake Vista Park. Broadwater also adopted a project within the neighborhood on 43rd St S. **Thanks to Ken Lamoureux, Jonathan & Emma Kind, Kenny Larrison and Kristen Mory for volunteering their time and energy to help a neighbor in need.** We also cleaned up some hurricane debris in the median on the 42nd Ave S entrance off 34th St S. Broadwater intends to participate in this event every year and we encourage all to get involved throughout the year and be Bee Caretagious!



### From The BCA Board



We have recently lost some old school Broadwater residents who sadly passed away. Long-time resident Dorothy Steinheimer was the wife of the late David Steinheimer who served as Block Captain for many years. Roger Sheahen was a former Board Member and President who was always involved with social events as well as the Neighborhood Plan. George Si-

ladie was an original resident of South Broadwater who was also involved as a Board Member and Block Captain. George Simms was a fun loving neighbor who always had a good story and his obit fittingly stated "The family requests that instead of flowers, please hoist a glass to honor George". We will miss all four of you!

We experienced quite a scare with Hurricane Irma in September but luckily survived with minimal damage. We saw what a great neighborhood Broadwater is evidenced by the spirit of neighbor helping neighbor before, during and after the storm. This is when we saw the real payoff for a being a great neighborhood!!

Our Halloween Party on October 14<sup>th</sup> was a blast as usual and we thank Sean & Jennifer Nyitray and the crew for putting it together despite Irma. We thank all of our volunteers for helping to make Broadwater one of the top neighborhoods in St. Petersburg. We encourage everyone to become more involved in 2018.

On December 9<sup>th</sup>, we will hold our 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Party at the Armory. Please plan to attend especially if you are a new neighbor. We will have the election of the 2018 Board and a short Annual Meeting. Voices of Jazz will provide live entertainment and we are inviting all Broadwater musicians to play with Charlie Phillips and the rest of the band. We will also be accepting and matching donations for our National Guard families. See the front cover for more details and be sure to RSVP now.

We will be holding the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Broadwater Boat Parade on the night of December 16<sup>th</sup>. This event is great whether you participate on the water or the shore. If you are having a Holiday gathering this is the perfect night to plan it. If you do not have viewing access the Canizares property at the end of 42<sup>nd</sup> Ave S will be open for viewing and voting for your favorite boat. On December 17<sup>th</sup> we cap off the holiday events with the Helping Hands Holiday Caroling and Lights Tour. See details on all events elsewhere in this newsletter or on the website.

Everything we do to make Broadwater great is made possible by our dues paying members and our loyal advertisers who underwrite our activities and the Broadwater Breeze. The 2018 membership form is enclosed so please fill it out and send in your \$40 (or more if you care to) or bring it to the party. I will close by wishing you and your family a safe Holiday Season and a prosperous 2018.

Tom Ando BCA President

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### National Guard Donations

We are once again showing our support for our local National Guard Families by taking donations for the holidays. Broadwater will match your donation dollar for dollar. Please bring your cash or check donation to the Holiday Party or you may mail a check to our Treasurer Vicki Linkovich at 4316 44<sup>th</sup> St S. Checks may be made out to St. Petersburg Post FRG or Broadwater Civic Association. Thanks for supporting our neighbors who have always supported Broadwater!

2018 Board of Directors will be introduced at the Holiday Party.

Visit <a href="www.broadwaterfl.org">www.broadwaterfl.org</a> for updated list of 2018 Board of Directors



Mary Lisan, Maria Roesner and Lynne Moore handle the important task of making sure our new neighbors receive a proper welcome. If you are new to Broadwater and have not been contacted by Welcome Aboard, please email <a href="mailto:infolink@broadwaterfl.org">infolink@broadwaterfl.org</a> so that we can let you know about all of the things that make Broadwater such a great neighborhood and provide you with some welcome gifts. Any resident can let our Welcome Aboard ladies know about a new resident via email at <a href="mailto:infolink@broadwaterfl.org">infolink@broadwaterfl.org</a> or by calling Mary at 215-962-8814

### A Warm Welcome to our Newest Neighbors

Christopher & Kristine Secrest 4495 38th St S Carmelo Guigno 3285 40th Way S Philip Giusti & Terri Hughes 4419 46th Ave S Arnold Turner & Cynthia Stepp 4383 39th St S Christian Hiller 4040 40th Circle S Justo & Maria Elena Carrillo 4401 40th St S Thomas Greiner & Mary Lou Martinelli 4101 48th Ave S

The Lakewood High School Jazz Band has been invited to perform at the historic Apollo Theater in New York City in spring of 2018. Parents, students and staff are busy preparing for the trip, including raising the necessary funds for the band to travel to New York City. They are selling a CD the Jazz Band recorded that contains one original song written by a student and 6 jazz standards. At my urging, the financing to record the CD was provided by the City of St. Petersburg. The production of this CD supports my goal of growing our local music industry and supporting our local schools. The recording of this CD involved many partners. We are fortunate to have one of the top training programs for the music industry right here in St. Petersburg, SPC's MIRA (Music Industry and Recording Arts) program. They were quick and willing partners on the project. They provided the space for the students to record the CD, and one of their professors, Tom Morris, provided sound engineering for the recording of the CD. Tom is one of the top sound engineers in the entire country and serves on the board of the Grammy awards. This entire project would not have happened if it weren't for the excellent Band Director at Lakewood High School, Michael Kernodle. He has single handedly revived the music program at Lakewood. Under his guidance and instruction, the Lakewood High School music students are performing at the highest possible levels. This is evidenced by the fact that in 2016 they were declared national champions at a jazz band competition in New Orleans! It is important that our entire com-

munity support Mr. Kernodle and his students. This project has many benefits, in addition to raising funds for our students to go on their trip. We were fortunate to be able to engage our local high school students with St. Petersburg College and let them see the possibilities of a career in music. The students also experienced working with a top sound engineer to record a CD. The learned about writing and recording original songs, and copyright law. Through the process of selling their CDs the students will also learn how to market their product. I believe this type of project will develop future musicians who will really help put St. Petersburg on the map as a "Music City". I strongly believe that our local neighborhoods can provide the support needed to make their trip happen. With your support, soon these creative youth will perform at the Apollo Theater. The suggested donation for the CD is \$10 (more is always welcome) and they are available at the following locations: City Council Office (175 5<sup>th</sup> St N), Lakewood High School (1400 54<sup>th</sup> Ave S), Carter G Woodson African American History Museum (2240 9<sup>th</sup> Ave S) and Image Salon (5457 31st St S).









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# Real Estate Report

Prepared exclusively for the Broadwater/Maximo neighborhood by Sharon Simms, CIPS, CLHMS, CRS

Fourth Quarter 2017

### REMODELING TRENDS IN 2017

Although there are always kitchen and bath remodels, and flooring upgrades that vary from season to season, this year we've seen some interesting and uncommon spaces yield great remodeling results:

Garage Overhauls: Custom cabinets and shelving, storage drawers, tools walls and floors are among the things revving up garages.

Mud Rooms: Custom storage benches, shelving and cubbies and even pet washing stations have joined the laundry room.

Home Automation: This segment of technology becomes more and more attainable, with everything from smart thermostats, voice activated assistants and of course mobile apps to control it all.

# THINKING OF GOING GREEN?

The National Association of REALTORS® surveyed its members recently to see whether these features really

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## DEAR NEIGHBORS,

Some of you know that my husband, George, died on October 24th, at home. My heartfelt thanks to those of you who sent letters, notes and cards, letting me know how much George meant to you, or what your memories of him were. We were together for 50 years, so he's a big loss for me. His heart and health have been declining over the last months, especially severe in his last weeks - but you are never prepared. I have been spending as much time with him as possible, leaving the bulk of our real estate work to Rob and Tami. Now that my role as caregiver is over, I'll be back hard at work in real estate and look forward to helping you with your selling and buying needs. Just want to talk about possibilities? Please call me.

#### Just Market Value

The "Just Market Value" is the value the Pinellas County property tax assessor uses to calculate property taxes (before exemptions and before the Save Our Homes cap). It's interesting that this varies a lot within the neighborhood. A random sampling has shown a range from a 9% decrease to a 6% increase in value. I haven't been able to see the rationale in the difference. The average price in 2017 is higher than in 2016 (4.6%) and the price per square foot is also higher (8.5%).

# Broadwater Stats so Far in 2017

• 56% of the waterfront homes sold were over 2,000 sq ft; 45% of the non-waterfront homes sold were over 2,000 sq ft.



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94% of the waterfront homes sold had pools; 45% of the non-waterfront homes sold had pools.

- None of the waterfront homes were distress sales (short sales or foreclosures); 9% of the non-waterfront homes were distress (which is only 1 out of 11 sales).
- 94% of the waterfront homes were sold through the Multiple Listing Service (only 1 was not); and 100% of the non-waterfront homes were sold through the MLS.



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# Statistically Speaking

These figures show the current market and the recent Broadwater sales history according to the Multiple Listing Service (MLS). Prices vary by size, condition and location, so the \$/square feet has a tremendous range and is "nice to know" rather than a useful criteria.

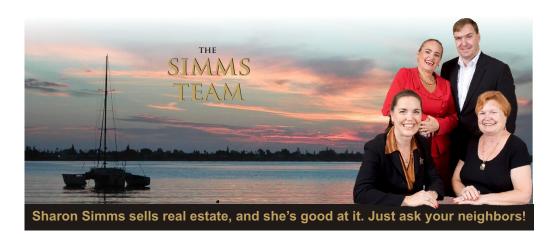
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Many people ask me about market activity in neighboring communities as well. Here is a look at what's happening on the waterfront\* in some other popular areas:

Waterfront Acti	ve & Pending as of 11/15/17			Sold YTD 2017			Sold 2016		
NEIGHBORHOOD	#	\$ Low	\$ High	#	\$ Low	\$ High	#	\$ Low	\$ High
Broadwater	10	549,000	878,900	16	390,000	1,000,000	21	285,000	1,412,500
Bayway Isles	10	849,000	4,995,000	6	859,000	1,350,000	9	650,000	1,500,000
Causeway Isles	5	579,000	829,000	13	440,000	707,500	14	375,000	1,145,000
Pasadena Yacht/Country Club	13	690,000	2,750,000	16	509,000	2,850,000	21	550,000	1,825,000
Pinellas Point/Bahama Shores	4	1,250,000	2,998,000	5	515,000	2,422,500	3	521,100	1,325,000
Snell Isle/Coffee Pot/Old NE	25	699,900	5,500,000	24	820,000	4,075,000	26	550,000	4,500,000
St. Pete Beach/Pass-a-Grille	44	589,000	6,000,000	61	516,000	5,395,000	72	425,000	4,100,000
Tierra Verde	20	870,000	6,400,000	22	645,000	2,450,000	21	460,000	2,600,000
Treasure Island	33	450,000	1,790,000	71	400,000	3,300,000	53	395,000	1,895,000
Venetian Isles	17	649,900	2,680,000	27	575,000	1,850,000	31	535,000	945,000
Yacht Club Estates	10	350,000	1,800,000	17	605,000	1,750,000	17	450,000	1,500,000

\*This includes only "navigable water to the Gulf" properties - not lakes, ponds, etc.



work in attracting buyers. A large portion of REALTORS® said that energy efficiency promotion in listings is very or somewhat valuable. 79% percent of agents ranked a home's utility bills/ operation costs as somewhat or very important. Solar panels were the most recognized green feature, with 80 percent of agents saying they are valuable in their markets.

### CONSIDERING **SELLING?**

There's some homework that you can do well before you decide to actually put your home on the market for sale. Google your home address and see what comes up - most buyers start their search online so you should see whether there are any errors in public information that need to be addressed. Look around your home (inside and out) for obvious flaws that you've been meaning to get to, or that you haven't noticed - and get them taken care of. For more on steps to take before listing, contact us!

#### MEET THE TEAM:

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Team Leader

#### **Tami Simms**.

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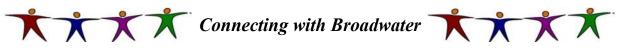


Membership 2017

Your dues are appreciated and support the many activities of the Broadwater Civic Association. Thanks to our 326 paid members in 2017. We ended up at 61% and 10 more members than last year's total. The 2018 membership form is included in this newsletter. **Note the dues are now \$40 per year**, still a bargain for everything you get throughout the year! Please feel free to add a donation to your membership fee to allow us to do more to improve our already great neighborhood. Please mail it in the envelope provided or pay in person at the Holiday Party on December 9<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure to fill out your membership form completely even if your information has not changed. This will insure that we have your information up to date. Please insert it in the envelope and bring it with you if you choose to pay in person.

### BROADWATER REFERRAL LIST

Connie Beckman maintains a list of referrals from Broadwater Residents for various home services. The list, which is available at <a href="www.broadwaterfl.org">www.broadwaterfl.org</a>, is updated regularly. We are tracking the number of positive referrals for each contractor. We ask that you <a href="review the current list">review the current list</a> and email Connie at <a href="conbek@kenbek.com">conbek@kenbek.com</a> with the name of any of the contractors on the list that you have utilized and would recommend. You may also email her with any new referrals for home services you have utilized and would recommend. Please include the company (or individual's) name, phone number, and service type. You may still request referrals via infolink but we suggest you use the referral list and Nextdoor Broadwater first. If you do not have access to the internet, Connie may be reached at 727-867-3088.



**Broadwater has several tools to stay informed and also network with neighbors.** We encourage you to use these tools to keep up to date with everything going on in Broadwater.

**Website:** www.broadwaterfl.org should be your first stop if you are looking for event information and answers to neighborhood or city questions. The Resources and Useful Links Tabs is a great place to start when you need answers.

Nextdoor Broadwater is a free private network, limited to just Broadwater subscribers, that connects Broadwater neighbors. You are able to post events, items wanted or for sale, crime and safety alerts, recommendations for local businesses and more. Nextdoor is also a great place to post about lost or found pets and suspicious activity you may see. To join, request invitation by emailing your name and address to <a href="mailto:infolink@broadwaterfl.org">infolink@broadwaterfl.org</a>. For tips on how to adjust your Nextdoor settings go to <a href="www.broadwaterfl.org">www.broadwaterfl.org</a> and look under the Resources Tab near the top of the home page.

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## Trash and Recycling Reminders

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### Broadwater and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Southwest District

Submitted by Phil Creter, Co-Block Captain, 42nd Ave. S

To date in 2017, there has been only one visible, seriously flooded intersection (at the 42nd Ave S/37th St S intersection), with no sanitary sewer overflows compared with 2016, when Broadwater suffered both significant sanitary *and* storm water floods at three intersections (see More Flood link\*). This remarkable improvement was made possible due to a beneficial collaboration between a progressive St. Pete Public Works Administration and experts from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). To find out more about the direct and indirect role of the FDEP, Gerry Moore (Broadwater Board of Directors) and Phil Creter (Broadwater Block Captain) went to the FDEP's all-day Open House in Tampa on September 27, 2017.

We were greeted by Michelle Holton (Environmental Specialist) who has direct experience with FDEP reports affecting Broadwater. She introduced us to Mary Yeargan (Director of FDEP, Southwest District), who provided an excellent overview. Michelle then escorted us to a busy exhibit hall containing literature tables staffed by other experts demonstrating to the approximately 100 other open house attendees how the FDEP safeguards Florida's natural resources and enhances its ecosystems. All FDEP departments were represented: Hazardous Waste, Tanks, Wetlands, Beaches, Docks/Piers, State Lands, Domestic Wastewater, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Storm Water, Industrial Wastewater, Solid Waste, Environmental Assessment and Restoration, Water Restoration Assistance, Phosphate, Drinking Water, Underground Injection Control, and Air. An easy-to-use contact guide for assistance via email or phone in permits or compliance is provided at <a href="http://www.dep.state.fl.us/southwest/contacts/">http://www.dep.state.fl.us/southwest/contacts/</a> (see More FDEP Contacts: link\*).

Mike Lynch (Environmental Manager), contact for Docks/Piers compliance, had a variety of interesting comments. Referring to dock permits, he states the owner is ultimately responsible to ensure that all necessary permitting is obtained, either directly or by their hired contractor. He recommends that the owner work out those details with their contractor prior to entering into an agreement (see More Docks/Piers link\*). Michelle also introduced us to Cathy Rodriguez (Operations Analyst), on hand for one-on-one guidance on using OCULUS, the FDEP Document Management System providing public access to various FDEP reports using search criteria. Use the FDEP Information portal at http://webapps.dep.state.fl.us/DepNexus/public/search-portal (see More OCULUS link\*).

John Palenchar (St. Pete Interim Water Resources Director) was also on hand to update us on wastewater progress. He discussed a photo-methodology of estimating the overflow volume of sanitary manholes; improvements in Standard Operating Procedures; an emergency plan using remote monitoring and a trailer generator to backup Broadwater's Lift Station #59 (located at 41st Street near the 38th Ave. intersection) to prevent overflow in case of power failure; a review of improvements at our local Southwest Water Reclamation Facility (SWWRF) and increased reclaim capacity added by its new injection well (recently tested and accepted by FDEP) (see More Wastewater Progress link\*). Gerry and I were both pleased how well prepared John is on all topics and even provided more info on Broadwater canal water quality sampling. Tom Ando adds a note: Go to www.broadwaterfl.org and click on the Useful Links Tab, then click on "Canal Water Quality." Click to check "Water Health" to view a map with water sampling sites from three Broadwater canals: North, Central and South. Clicking separately on each quality icon provides more detail as to the actual Enterococci bacteria measurements.

Since June, there have been many 42nd Ave. S sightings of key Public Works staff (Claude Tankersley, John Norris, Carlos Frey, Sam Sturgill, Rick Eads, and Anthony Lee). A new 36" storm water drain has been completed on 42nd Ave S at 39th St. (see photo). In October, work started on a second 30" storm water drain on 42nd Ave. S near 41st St. (see photo).

In early September, John Norris and his storm water crew (led by Rick Eads) were racing against the clock to finish the last section of the 42nd Ave. S (at 39th St. S) storm water drain pipe before Hurricane Irma. They hit a snag with delays from utility inspectors; they knew they would not be able to finish before the storm but wanted to provide safe drainage relief before the storm hit. He and his team came up with a creative and relatively quick fix. The photo of the interim connection to the street may not look like much to the average resident, but it was a very resourceful and functional approach performed in a short time providing reassurance to nervous residents. The crew restored the ditch from the road to pipe and lined it with geotechnical fabric and riprap (loose stone) and, although not shown in my photo, added bike rack barricades weighted with sand bags for extra resident safety in time for the arrival of Irma. After the hurricane, the final connection was completed; see photo with 3 happy abutting neighbors.

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*Note:* More and links\* refer you to the full article and pictures online at <a href="www.broadwaterfl.org">www.broadwaterfl.org</a> under the appropriate "Useful Links" tab.





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Hurricane Irma brought us some interesting images from the extreme low tide on September 10<sup>th</sup> to a newborn manatee and Mom hanging out in the easternmost Broadwater canal on September 12. Share your Irma images or anything Broadwater via email <a href="mailto:infolink@broadwaterfl.org">infolink@broadwaterfl.org</a> and you may see it in the Broadwater Breeze or on the website for all can see what Broadwater has to offer!





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More crime prevention and reporting tools can be found at <a href="https://www.stpete.org/police">www.stpete.org/police</a>. The Broadwater Neighborhood Watch provides a presence that helps deter crime as well. Thanks to Brian Dault and all of our volunteer patrollers for giving their time to help keep Broadwater safe! We are in need of new patrollers. If you wish to join please contact Brian at <a href="mailto:bdaultgbc@gmail.com">bdaultgbc@gmail.com</a> or 727-424-9696. Our team of Community Service Officers can be reached at 727-551-3181. You will need to leave a message and an officer will respond to you. Officer Derrick Nelson is our new direct contact for our team.

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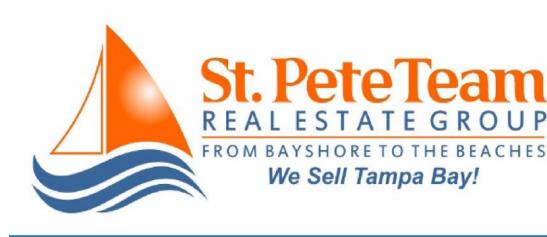
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