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The Broadwater Breeze

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



THE SKYWAY MARINA DISTRICT

Ace Hardware has been a fixture in the area for a long time. The convenience of having a local hardware store has saved us countless hours over the years and the employees were always there to help us find what we needed. Ace always welcomed pets, so it was a regular destination for our furry friends. We will miss Ace Hardware and their employees as the Skyway Mall is leveled to make room for new development. We will also miss the fine folks at Spare Room Mini Storage. Sherry, Gene and Tyler always took good care of their two legged and four legged customers. Both businesses were very supportive of Broadwater, and we are sad to see them go. More residential and business developments will be coming to the district with the Skyway Mall projects and eventually the development of the Ceridian property which changed ownership this year.



Join your neighbors in supporting all the thing we do in the SMD like Food Truck Nights, Cornhole Tournament and Quarterly Clean-ups. **The District relies on volunteers and your support of local businesses.**

To volunteer for a committee or future

events, contact Misty at director@skywaymarina.org or 727-466-7173.

Keep up with SMD events on Facebook or by subscribing to Broadwater Infolink.

BROADWATER COOKOUT & EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday April 16th was a wonderful day to celebrate Broadwater and Easter! The Canizares property was the place to be for 259 adults and 84 children to enjoy another Broadwater event.



All enjoyed some great weather, good food and drink, music, inflatables for the kids, Cornhole, Kan Jam and an Easter Egg Hunt with 1100 Eggs! Of course, the Easter Bunny showed up to make the day complete. There were many residents and sponsors who made this event happen. Evelyn Hill led the volunteer effort with the help of Jim Hill, Jim Hill, Anne Gottlieb, Mike & Maria Roesner, Katie Willis, Karrie & John Klement, Valerie Rice, Kevin Webb, Mike & Jeanne Compitello, Lynn Lenihan, Kristie Wagner, Derek & Sara Kilborn, Carl Temple, Jack Stegall, Kevin Lampman, Don & Mel Moss, Judith Schleicher, Vicki Linkovich, Jon Kind, Ken & Kathleen Larrison, Marcus Tilley, Mike Zito, Richard Aaron, Dana Ando, Tony Wolz, Mark Roberts and our photographers Chuck Goes and Sue Lamoureux. Special thanks to the Canizares Family for providing a spectacular setting, the National Guard (especially SGT Allee) for providing tables, chairs and ice, M2 Promotions for sponsoring the bar and providing some great drinks, 3 Daughters Brewing, Tosti's Spirits & Fine Wine, Marsalisi Law, Beef O'Brady's, The Deck Restaurant and Publix at Baypoint Plaza. A special shout out to our teens Charlotte Gottlieb, Chloe Bobo, Gemma Larkin and Emma Kind who were a huge help!!

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SAVE THE DATE

General Meeting Thursday June 9th 7:00 PM

at SPC Allstate 3200 34th St S (Florida Room)

Featured Presentation: To Be Announced

July 1: Dive In Theater

Jul 28: Board of Directors Meeting

Jul 29-31: A to Z Vendor Market at the Armory

Aug 1: Fall Broadwater Breeze Deadline

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Get your free 2022 US Coast Guard Vessel Safety Check Decal inspection today. Broadwater resident Phillip Creter has retired from doing inspections, but he has arranged for Ron Shouse, certified Vessel Examiner, to continue providing this great service to Broadwater boaters. Thanks go out to Phil for his many years of service, Broadwater appreciates you!! You may contact Ron at rmshouse@gmail.com or 941-400-6211.

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From The BCA Board

How lucky are we to live in Broadwater? Whether you are a new resident or have been here for 20 years or more, there has always been something special about Broadwater. I moved to 41st St S as a 33 year old newlywed in 1994 and moved to 38th St S in 2004. We raised our 2 boys here and have never had a desire to live anywhere else. We are seeing many young families making Broadwater their home which is what made our Cookout and Easter Egg Hunt such a huge success! This first time event drew a record crowd for Broadwater events!! It was made possible by Evelyn Hill and her wonderful cast of volunteers as well as the Canizares Family who provide us with a one of a kind venue. Again, how lucky are we to live in Broadwater? As we head into summer, we look forward to another first time event. On July 1st our first Dive In Theater event will take place in the canal west of 44th St S compliments of Kevin Lampman. This is another example of what Broadwater is about, bringing people together to create a cohesive neighborhood. If you are new to Broadwater or have never attended a Broadwater event, I encourage you to get involved by attending or better yet volunteering for a Broadwater or Skyway Marina District event. The District is growing and good things are happening. Be a part of it and help shape the future of Broadwater and the SMD! Join your neighbors at the Broadwater General Meeting on Thursday June 9th. See you there!!

Tom Ando
BCA President

Take the Broadwater Survey

The Broadwater Civic Association (BCA) would like your feedback.

Please take a few minutes to complete our brief BCA survey about your Broadwater communications preferences.

Complete the survey by June 15th and be entered into a drawing to win a \$50 Tiki Docks gift certificate, courtesy of the Jeff Joyner Group. Be sure to enter your info at the end of the survey to be eligible.

Congratulations to Charlie Phillips for winning the first Tiki Gift card!

Scan this QR Code to take the survey.



Katie Root and Evelyn Hill have joined Mary Lisan, and Maria Roesner on the Welcome Aboard Committee. They replace Lynn Hobbs and Kristie Wagner handling the important task of making sure our new neighbors receive a proper welcome. We thank Lynn and Kristie for their service. If you are new to Broadwater and have not been contacted by Welcome Aboard, please email infolink@broadwaterfl.org with your contact information 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 infolink@broadwaterfl.org**

A Warm Welcome to our Newest Neighbors

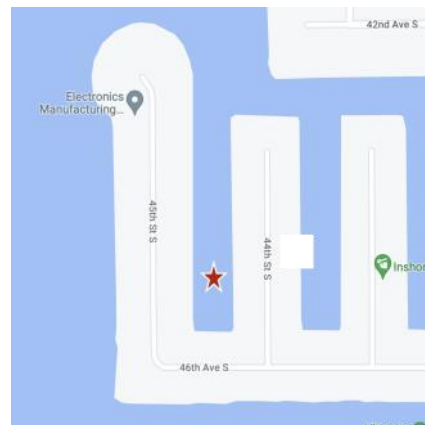
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Please remember to turn your irrigation off during wet weather or better yet install a rain sensor.

Dive in Theater July 1st

Come join us July 1st, for the first annual Dive-In Theater! The 44th and 45th Street Canal will be hosting a movie night complete with boat up food vendor, Nauti Dogs Hotdogs! We will be watching Jaws in the canal on a big screen. Come by sea or by land (4501 44th St S) and bring a tube, lily pad, or raft. The show starts at night-fall, currently estimated at 7:30 PM.



If the weather is inclement or it's too windy for the screen, July 2nd is the backup date. See you there!

**BROADWATER COOKOUT AND
EASTER EGG HUNT** continued from pg 1

Thanks to all who attended and contributed to the 50/50 raffle which raised \$210 for our National Guard Families and those who tipped at the bar. Our bartenders, **Don & Mel Moss**, graciously donated the tip jar to the National Guard as well!! View and download more photos at www.broadwaterfl.org or scan the QR Code to the right.



SCAN ME





COEXISTING WITH WILDLIFE submitted by Page Riveron (45th St S)

An infestation of mice and rats around your home is an undesirable situation but turning to some types of rat poison to help control the problem can lead to another undesirable situation: dead and dying birds and other wildlife.

Rodenticides that contain anticoagulants can have more far-reaching and unintended effects because of how these products are designed to work. Anticoagulant rodenticides kill rats and mice by interfering with their blood-clotting ability, according to the National Park Service. When rodents consume rat poison, their blood-clotting ability begins to fail, and they slowly die from internal bleeding, or they become more susceptible to severe consequences and even death from minor injuries like cuts and bruises. It can take as long as 10 days for a rodent to die after consuming rodenticides. During this time, they can experience nosebleeds and blood in their urine and feces and also can develop mange. They may even become an easier target for some predators as their health fails.

In the meantime, those rats and mice that have consumed the rodenticide can be eaten by predators in the ecosystem, animals like raptors and mammals such as coyotes, bobcats and foxes. Even the carcasses of animals that have died from rat poison can be eaten by other animals looking for a meal. This allows the rodenticide to move its way up the food chain, leading to secondary poisoning of other animals, the park service reports. Then animals with secondary poisoning can be eaten by still other prey, causing tertiary poisoning. Many animals, including birds and mammals, depend on rodents like mice and rats as a reliable and steady food source, which is why the effects of these products can be so far reaching. Every meal these animals eat may include these harmful anticoagulants.

These unintended victims of rodenticides may be able to survive with small amounts of the anticoagulants in their systems, but it can build up to dangerous - and even deadly - levels as they consume more and more affected prey. And these exposures can be nearly universal across ecosystems and food chains. In a study conducted by the National Park Service in the Santa Monica National Recreational Area in California, 94% of mountain lions, 92% of bobcats and 83% of coyotes studied had been exposed to anticoagulants in rodenticides. Among the coyotes in the study, rodenticide poisoning was the second leading cause of death. And it's not just wildlife at increased risk of danger from these chemicals. Pets can be exposed too, although usually for different reasons than wildlife. Rodenticides typically are manufactured as bait products, using enticing flavors to get the mice and rats to consume them. The problem is these same flavors are often enticing to our cats and dogs too, and if they consume them, they may suffer the same consequences as the rodents, according to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. If your pet has consumed an anticoagulant rodenticide, it should be taken to a veterinary clinic for examination and treatment within 60 to 72 hours of ingestion, the ASPCA advises.

So how can you control a rodent problem in your home without these anticoagulant rodenticides? The most effective way is to keep them from getting inside in the first place, according to the Illinois Department of Public Health. Any openings into your home larger than a quarter-inch should be sealed to prevent rodents from entering. It's also important to seal cracks in the foundation and around any openings where pipes and vents come into the house. Trapping is an effective means of controlling mice and rats in a home or building, and it is the preferred method when only a few rodents are present, IDPH reports. When placing traps, set them close to walls, behind furniture and other objects or in places where there is evidence of recent rodent activity. For large and widespread infestations, consult with a professional exterminator.

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THE Real Estate Report

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

Second Quarter 2022

CITY NEWS ...

St. Petersburg's park system was named among the top 20 in the nation, according to the Tampa Bay Business Journal. The report cites that St. Petersburg ranks above the national ParkScore average in terms of investing in its park system.

The St. Pete Pier has gotten two nods recently. It's been named a finalist in the Urban Land Institute's 2022 Americas Awards for Excellence, and is also a finalist for the Architizer A+ Awards in the Civic Buildings category!

It's time for redistricting! The City Charter requires a City Council redistricting process to occur every ten years in conjunction with the U.S. Decennial Census. If you're interested in participating, find out more at www.stpete.org/redistricting.

There are also a number of open positions on City boards and commissions. If you'd like to get involved, visit www.stpete.org/government/boards__committees/index.php.



MARKET MUSINGS ...

It's hard to believe that all of the Broadwater waterfront sales and pending sales thus far in 2022 are over \$1M. In fact, the least expensive home for sale as of press time was more expensive than the highest sale price in 2021! You can see from the chart on the next page that all of St. Pete's navigable waterfront neighborhoods have seen similar price increases.

Signs are everywhere, though, that the market is cooling in the wake of interest rate increases. We're still seeing multiple offers on homes, but it's far from the frenzy of just a few months ago. Many sellers are overreaching and pricing their homes too high, causing the average "days on market" to increase, and our supply of residential property is up over 50% in the last month. That doesn't mean that the market is flooded with homes, but the supply was so very low that to have any available homes can be a large percentage. There are still

less than 1,000 single family homes for sale in Pinellas, Florida's most densely populated county.

The number of resale homes in April was down over 5% nationwide from its 2021 figure. However, it is important to take this into context of the hot market. It doesn't mean that prices are falling, they just aren't increasing as steeply or rapidly as they were in the last 12 months. It's still a good market for sellers in the south for those who may be worried that the peak of the market has passed them by. Tampa Bay is considered the hottest market in the country by most key metrics and is predicted to maintain a course toward 9% appreciation by the end of 2022.



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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 \$/sq ft has a tremendous range and is “nice to know” rather than a useful function.

Broadwater: Waterfront

	#	\$Low	\$High	Avg	\$/SF
Avail 5/2/22	1	\$1.882M	\$1.882M	\$1.882M	1,009
Pnd 5/2/22	5	\$1.179M	\$2.299M	\$1.495M	619-899
Sold YTD 22	8	\$1.1M	\$1.83M	1,421,219	530-825
Sold 2021	20	595,000	1,800,000	1,070,730	357-696

Non-Waterfront

	#	\$Low	\$High	Avg	\$/SF
Avail 5/2/22	1	950,000	950,000	950,000	375
Pnd 5/2/22	2	720,000	760,000	740,000	406
Sold YTD 22	3	670,000	815,000	720,000	313-353
Sold 2021	8	460,000	789,000	600,500	173-412

Many people ask us about market activity in neighboring communities as well. Here is a look at what’s happening on the waterfront (navigable to the Gulf) in some other popular areas.

Active & Pending as of 5/2/22

Sold YTD 2022

Sold 2021

Neighborhood	#	\$Low	\$High	#	\$Low	\$High	#	\$Low	\$High
Broadwater	6	1,179,000	2,299,000	8	1,100,000	1,830,000	20	595,000	1,800,000
Bayway Isles	2	2,950,000	6,500,000	1	2,125,000	2,125,000	11	1,100,000	4,000,000
Causeway Isles	5	1,577,000	3,200,000	6	951,000	3,458,955	16	750,000	1,650,000
Pasadena Yacht & CC	1	4,250,000	4,250,000	1	1,490,000	1,490,000	19	949,000	3,999,000
Pinellas Point/Bahama Sh	1	3,900,000	3,900,000	1	1,089,000	1,089,000	8	1,044,500	2,265,000
Snell Isle/Coffee Pot	6	3,800,000	13,159,500	6	1,150,000	4,680,102	32	1,285,000	6,500,000
St. Pete Beach/PAG	20	999,999	4,400,000	18	1,200,000	4,400,000	96	500,000	8,200,000
Tierra Verde	7	2,400,000	9,990,000	4	1,700,000	5,600,000	20	799,900	2,495,000
Treasure Island	11	819,000	6,000,000	23	799,525	4,100,000	68	675,000	4,000,000
Venetian Isles/Arrowh.	3	1,300,000	1,875,000	11	1,050,000	4,500,000	34	685,000	3,900,000
Yacht Club Estates	4	1,299,900	2,599,000	11	966,000	3,200,000	19	800,000	2,950,000

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TEAM NEWS

Tami has been elected as President of the Board of Directors for the **Saturday Morning Market**, which we announced she was elected to in the last issue. Don't forget that the Market has a Summer version that runs from June - September in Williams Park downtown. There are fewer vendors overall and the farmers get a summer break, but you'll appreciate the shady location during the hot months.

Tami is also continuing her leadership service to **Business & Professional Women (BPW)** both locally and at the state level. She was recently elected President-Elect for BPW/St. Petersburg-Pinellas, and was reelected President of the Board of Directors of the BPW/FL Education Foundation. She also continues to serve on the State Board of Directors as the Bylaws & Handbook Chair.



MEET THE TEAM

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Your dues support this publication and all the great social activities of the Broadwater Civic Association. Thanks to our 316 paid members (59%) so far in 2022. If you have not joined yet, you received a membership form in the mail in April. You can also download the form by clicking on Membership under the Contact Us Tab at www.broadwaterfl.org. **Please be sure to fill it out completely even if your information has not changed.** This will ensure that we have your information up to date. Please mail or drop it off to our treasurer Gia Ockuly or bring it to the General Meeting on June 9th. If you are not sure if you have paid your dues, email your name and address to infolink@broadwaterfl.org.



CONNECTING WITH BROADWATER



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 infolink@broadwaterfl.org. For tips on how to adjust your Nextdoor settings go to www.broadwaterfl.org and look under the Resources Tab near the top of the home page.

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FAMILIES OF BROADWATER

Join this private neighborhood only group on Facebook if you have children. We want to create an opportunity to communicate and socialize with families who are also raising their kids in Broadwater! ***Come join the group and get to know and connect with your neighbors!***

BROADWATER HELPING HANDS

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 kristenmory@yahoo.com



TRASH & RECYCLING GUIDELINES & TOOLS

By city ordinance, customers may place both trash and recycling containers at the curb as early as 7 PM the night before collection. Containers must be moved from the street and placed by the side or rear of the customer's residence by 7 PM the day of collection. Ever miss your scheduled pick-up due to a holiday? Download a customized trash & recycling schedule at http://www.stpete.org/sanitation/residential/holiday_schedule.php or the St. Pete Collects App. St. Pete Collects provides personal reminders before collection days and automatic notifications when holidays or bad weather impacts your schedule. Make recycling easy with mobile collection events, tips for a greener lifestyle and our Waste Wizard to look up accepted materials. Download it at Google Play or the Apple Store

BROADWATER NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH



With school out of session in June, please be alert to your surroundings and report any unusual activity to the police by calling the non-emergency line at 727-893-7780. Crimes of opportunity can happen at any time of the day so if something does not quite seem right report it. Since the last newsletter, we have had 6 new volunteers! THANKS!! We have lost some that have moved out of the neighborhood. Currently we have 47 Broadwater homes represented on the watch. We are always looking for more volunteers to patrol our streets and to keep Broadwater a safe community. How can you become part of the watch and give back to our neighborhood? Contact me at ewinml@msn.com or 727-804-3828. It only takes around 1 hour of your time per month. I will provide you with training information and magnetic car signs to identify you as a patroller.

From The Eyes of The Patroller:

We continue to see garage, car, and trunk doors open in the evenings. We continue to remind the residents and the residents are very pleased that we have taken the time to alert them. We need to remind ourselves, visitors, and workers to lock their doors and to keep their speed on the streets down (25 MPH is the normal posted speed limit). Garbage and recycle bins need to be pulled back so that our homes do not appear vacant.

Now that the bad news is out let's talk about some good news. A few patrollers comment, "When I'm on patrol I look for new neighbors and stop to greet them and to talk about Broadwater. I have even helped people bring the groceries and packages in if they are unable". It's a great way to meet new neighbors. One of the best ways to protect Broadwater is to simply meet and to know your neighbors. Be sure to exchange contact information so you can contact them if necessary.

Overall, crime in Broadwater is down but the number one issue continues to be unlocked car doors – crimes of opportunity.

If you see something, say something. The police are very responsive so call the non-emergency police number (727-893-7780) and be sure to add the number to your phone contact list and don't be afraid to use it.

And remember: **"Don't Feed the Bears"** - Keep the garage doors down and lock secure your cars and home when unattended..

Mark Ewin

Broadwater Neighborhood Watch Coordinator

Many crime prevention and reporting tools can be found at www.stpete.org/police



BLOCK CAPTAINS



Broadwater's 23 Block Captains are your street level representatives and are the lifeblood of 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 2022 membership dues. If you do not know who your Block Captain is, click on the Contact Us Tab at www.broadwaterfl.org.

Please welcome our newest Block Captain **Breana Marsalisi** who replaces long time block Captains **Lee & Paul Krueger** for 3800–4150 46th Ave S. We thank Lee & Paul for their Block Captain service and their many years of volunteering for Broadwater events, cleanups, as well as board and committee positions. They have truly been a force in the success of Broadwater!! We are in need of a new Block Captain to replace **Molly Lopata** for the Bayview area of north Broadwater. If you reside in or near the streets off 39th Ave S, please consider joining the team. Contact Tom Ando at tando1@tampabay.rr.com or 727-638-1421. We thank all of our Block Captains for their time and efforts!!

CRIME AND CODES REPORT MONITORING TOOL

Stat Map is an interactive tool that displays the locations of citizen requests submitted to the Mayor's Action Center and via SeeClickFix, as well the locations of code violations and police calls for service. This tool allows you to view the concerns people in and around your neighborhood have, create alerts for any new reports, and see changes over time. You can also highlight specific activity in council districts and neighborhoods. Under Pins, you can see the trends in reports for Police Calls, Code Violations or SeeClickFix. Create an alert for a particular area by creating an account, typing an address or selecting an area. You can then decide how big you want to make your watch area. Stat Map will give you greater access to the information the city collects, while showing trends within our community. You can download Stat Map and view a tutorial at www.stpete.org/police

XERISCAPING submitted by Jeanne Compitello (46th Ave S)

Do you have a spot in your lawn that no matter what you do - you can't grow grass? Maybe it's time for you to try xeriscaping that area. Xeriscaping is a gardening technique started in Denver in 1981. Due to water scarcity and very dry conditions, people came up with gardening principles that utilized rocks, mulches, ground covers, drought tolerant and native plants that would not need a lot of water and care but could still add interest to their yards. Florida now prefers to refer to these landscaping practices as Florida-Friendly Landscaping. People, especially Americans, love their grassy lawns but they are not the most environmentally friendly way to decorate your property. Lawns require lots of water, chemicals (pesticides and fertilizers), mowing (which requires manpower and emits pollution into the atmosphere) and do not provide a beneficial habitat for wildlife. Experts concerned about the overuse of chemicals on lawns suggest using modest amounts of grass in your yards and using other landscaping materials instead.

My husband and I had a section of lawn in our backyard that, due to the slope, sprinkler positioning and prevailing winds, was too difficult to grow grass in that area. We decided to install a small beach. We laid down filter cloth as the base on top of the soil to prevent weeds from growing, purchased limestone rocks for the border and had Carroll's Building Materials deliver several cubic yards of beach sand. We bought curved pavers from Lowe's and built a small fire pit right on the new "beach". We have gotten lots of compliments from our neighbors on how nice it looks.

As I walk around Broadwater, I see some lawns with large brown patches of dead lawn or huge areas of Dollar weed or other problematic weeds that continue to spread. These would be perfect areas for those residents to try growing alternatives to grass or no grass at all, as in our beach. Carrolls has a large variety of rocks, stones and mulches that can be used to create islands with those materials and native plantings. The advantage to growing native plantings is that you will attract and provide habitat for birds, butterflies and beneficial bees that are necessary for pollination. Native plantings are usually low maintenance, should require little care and instead thrive in our extreme conditions of too much or too little rain. Islands with a few specimen palm trees, and various ground covers or mulch can look especially beautiful in the middle of a dark green lawn. One word of caution though, while white crushed shell does look beautiful, it is best not to use around the base of palms since the leaching of calcium from the shells is harmful to palm trees. Another practice that is especially beneficial to our waterways is to have a border garden between your seawall and your lawn.

Having lawn right to the seawall allows for runoff of water containing pesticides and fertilizers into our water bodies. In addition, lawn clippings can wind up in the water if a homeowner or their landscaper isn't careful to blow those clippings back onto the lawn.

For further information regarding Florida-Friendly Landscaping and use of native plantings, the Pinellas County Extension website can be consulted. In addition to all the valuable information on their website, Master Gardeners staff the desk at their offices at the Florida Botanical Garden in Largo five days a week and can be called or visited with your gardening questions. Wilcox Nursery on Indian Rocks Road in Largo is also a great source for purchase and information about native plantings (and they can deliver).

Happy gardening!

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