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A Monthly Publication of the Carrollwood Civic Association

Happy New Year

New Year, New Caroler See Page 16 for highlights

New Directory See Page 2 or 7 to submit changes

New Board See Pages 2 & 3 for results

New Events See Page 10



See Page 6 for contest results.

Notice of Board Meetings

Monday, January 9, 2023 CRD Meeting: 6:30 p.m. | CCA Meeting: 7 p.m. Carrollwood Rec Center • 3515 McFarland Road Residents welcome to attend.

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reetings all. We had a very action packed meeting in December. We held our al election for Board members whose terms had come up and they were re-elected: Jerrod Mills, Corey McKeown, Bryan Huls and Eric Pellenbarg. Congrats! We also bid farewell to our long-time Board member

Neil Norden Neil Norden and welcomed Kristin Nail to the Board.

Kristin Nail

Thanks so much Neil for all your great years of service to our Community! John Perez has left the Board and was replaced by Jared Jones. Thank you John for your great time on the Board and welcome Jared. The CCA officers were elected as follows: John Schinka, President, Josh

Shaffer, Vice President and Long Range Planning, Jared Jones, Treasurer and Ashley Gray, John Perez Secretary. Congrats to all!



Jared Jones

John Schinka updated us on our financial position and Jerrod Mills reviewed our upcoming boat parade, luminaria effort and New Year's Eve

firework events. Corey McKeown updated the Standards efforts and Mark Tempest brought us current on the sidewalk repairs going on in OC. Bryan Huls has applied for our Carp permit for lake weed control and will keep us posted on that. Josh Shaffer again reported no crimes for the month, good news.

I also wanted to take a quick moment to thank all our Board members for their dedicated work on behalf of Original Carrollwood. What a fine group of wonderful people they are and our Community is in for some wonderful events and service brought about by these excellent people. We hope you all have a

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By Mark Snellgrove, CRD President

would like to recognize and thank Suzy Giunta for her many years of service on the CRD Board. When you drive through the community and notice the landscaping, think of Suzy. She was the Board member that oversaw the landscaping projects on Lake Carroll Way and at the Community entrance. Suzy announced that she



Suzy Giunta

will resign her board position upon selection of her replacement at the January 9th meeting.

Public notice is hereby given that the CRD Board has a vacancy to fill. If you are a "qualified elector"

and interested, please attend the January 9, 2023 Board meeting. This board vacancy will be filled through the appointment process at the meeting.

There were 8-residents in attendance at the December meeting, some of which requested a basketball hoop at Original Carrollwood Park. The board has also had resident requests for a pickleball court at OCP. Board member Mike Carelli will do the necessary research for further consideration at a future meeting.

In closing, remember that you can read the CRD meeting minutes by visiting www.originalcarrollwoodcrd.com. @



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s we turn the page to 2023, we look back at some of our favorite moments in 2022. We hope everyone enjoyed our community events throughout the year. We are looking forward to another great year of spending time with our neighbors. Keep an eye out for a few new events coming 2023.

Have questions, need information about any of the social events, email us at events@originalcarrollwood.com

Cinema Night Movies in the Park







Easter







Boat Parade





4th of July

















Halloween



Make sure you are receiving the Crime Watch – News emails. We will send out at least one email per month with current news/events, the Caroler and any crime watch notifications. Email us at cca@originalcarrollwood.com if you are not on the email list already. If you currently receive the crime watch emails, you are on the list.

If you use Facebook, please join our CCA Group page for updates on neighborhood news and social events. This page mirrors the same as the emails, so you will not miss anything if you are not on Facebook.

You can search for Original Carrollwood Civic Association on Facebook or visit this link: www. facebook.com/groups/CarrollwoodCivic

Stay up to date with the Crime Watch/Events Email and our Facebook Group.

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OC REAL ESTATE

HOW CAN SELLERS HELP BUYERS ADAPT TO HIGHER INTEREST RATES?

By KT Tershowski/Realtor®

Price improvements are not the only option for sellers in a buyers market, and with our low inventory environment, fewer locations are considered. According to Realtor.com, one out of five sellers decreased their list price in August. There are options to interest and support buyers in a shifting market.

Sellers can pay points to assist buyers with buying their mortgage rate down. At closing, this is deducted from the sellers' net proceeds. This option is essentially a win-win scenario. For example, rather than lowering the purchase price \$15,000 for a \$400,000 home, applying a 2% buydown (seller costs = \$8,000) for a rate for the first to third year, could assist buyers to afford the home.

Sellers could also pay for some of the sellers closing costs. A buyer's closing costs include, mortgage fees and insurance, inspection, appraisal, taxes, title fees, recording fees (notes, mortgages, deed, financing statements), lender's title policy, policy premiums, attorney fees (optional), etcetera. The savvy buyer will utilize the lowest initial out-of-pocket expenses by asking for seller concessions to assist with their closing costs. For an FHA or USDA buyer, sellers may pay a maximum credit up to 6% of the agreed upon purchase price, VA buyers is 4%, and conventional buyers vary at 3-6% and in some cases up to 9% depending on the buyer's down payment amount. There are also down payment / closing costs assistance or low-interest loan programs that buyers may qualify for that could allow for a more affordable home.

There are other options to consider to attract the property to a larger buyer pool with making presale renovations. There are programs to assist with the financial burden where sellers can do presale renovations to assist with the upfront costs to pay for the materials and labor. This way, sellers would not have to fork this cost upfront and would be taken out from the net proceeds from their sale at closing.

This should always be the last resort, as your realtor should do a comprehensive market analysis based on recently sold comparable properties in your neighborhood. Adjustments will always be made depending on the available sold properties by making a +/- \$ based on how they compare to the subject property. Pricing the property right is critical in many ways. Sellers could end up with a lower purchase price if the property sits for more days than average on market.

In a shifting market, it's important to understand ways to adapt to ensure a more stress free and seamless transaction from list to close.

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P	10605 Carrollwood Dr	1,824	\$850,000				
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Dan Fucarino LEGACY IN CARROLLWOOD

written by Annette Gardiner, Samara Drive

Congratulations to my brother, Dan Fucarino. He is retiring after passionately serving the Community of Carrollwood; as well as, those who became like friends and family at Carrollwood Pharmacy.

Dan had a 42-year career in pharmacy. As his sister, it is hard to believe because I vividly remember his graduation from Mercer pharmacy school in the late 70's.

Most of you will know Dan (I call him Danny) for owning Carrollwood Pharmacy for over three decades! I'm so very proud of his hard work. Aside from running a thriving pharmacy, Dan also had a successful compounding practice.

We both have lived in Original Carrollwood for many years, which makes all of this more meaningful. I can't tell you how many friends and acquaintances have told me how much he helped them out.

Doing things like:

- Delivering medicine on a Sunday, or late at night for someone in need.
- Dropping off vitamins on residents porches that had Covid.
- Personally visiting sick or dying older folks in our Community.

Many told me how much they loved the way he listened with true compassion & concern.

Anyone who knows Dan would agree that he is the most hard working, compassionate & funny guy they know! Not to mention a true hard-core Seminoles fan!!

For years, Dan worked hours setting up and selling luminaries for Christmas Eve and involved the Boy Scouts.

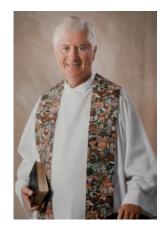
This brings me to his wife Laura who played a big part in his success with pharmacy. Laura worked for most of Dan's career as a part-time bookkeeper at the pharmacy. If you have met Laura, you would know that she is gentle, kind & very smart. I'm blessed to have both of them in my life, wishing a happy & healthy retirement!

Love, Your Sister, Connette

Rev. Msgr. Austin M. Mullen

AUGUST 27, 1941 – DECEMBER 12, 2022

Monsignor Austin Mullen, 81, Tampa, Florida, died peacefully in the presence of his surviving brother Jerome (Warrenpoint, Co Down, Ireland), his close family circle and treasured friends. Beloved son of the late Michael Joseph and Kitty Mullen of Rosemount, Mountnugent, Co Cavan,



brother of the late Monsignor

Kevin Mullen, Nuala Mullen, Deirdre O'Connell (Pallaskenry, Co Limerick), and Maura McClarey (Mountnugent) and brother-in-law Paddy O'Connell. Deeply regretted by his living family Jerome and Margaret, nephews Justin, Paul and Denis, nieces Colette and Nuala, brother-in-law George McClarey and his grand nieces and nephews. Funeral will take place in Tampa and his ashes will be returned to Ireland and interned with his beloved brother Kevin.

Austin was a beloved priest who served the community in Tampa, Florida, for over 57 years and will be deeply missed by the parish community throughout Florida, but in particular, in the parish of St. Paul Catholic Church, Tampa, which he established and served in for over 25 years. Rest in peace dear Austin. Visitation was held on Friday, December 16, 2022, at St. Paul Catholic Church, 12708 N. Dale Mabry, Tampa. A funeral mass followed. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Vincent de Paul Society.







Carrollwood Elementary School

by Alexis Fruge

Hootiefest-This year, CES moved their annual Hootiefest to the fall. It was a huge success raising over \$10,000 for teacher grants and classroom support.

In November, many community members and families participated in the Great American Teach In. We had firefighters, police officers, medical personnel, animal trainers, artists, financial officers, realtors, concrete companies, and so much more. Students enjoyed learning about a variety of careers.

On October 31, students celebrated the annual character book parade. Students in grades K-3 dressed as their favorite book characters and students in grades 4-5 dressed as a science word. Many of the teachers joined in the fun.

In November, students and parents were invited to school for STEAM Night in which students participated in activities with their teachers focusing on science and technology.

Carrollwood ES fundraising focus for the next two years is a technology initiative to supply each classroom a Newline Interactive board. These large touch-screen wireless boards are mounted in classrooms and are used as teaching tools to encourage collaborative learning, creative thinking, and make
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interactive. All
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pre-equipped
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terms of technology. Turkey Trot, this year's annual PTA fundraiser, raised over \$10,000 which allowed the school to purchase five boards, enough to outfit one grade level! Interested in sponsoring a board for a classroom? Work for a company that supports local public schools? Please contact Carrollwoodpta@gmail.com for more information.

Carrollwood discount Gold Cards are for sale in the school store. Local businesses featured include: Culvers, Marlowe's Tavern, Jeremiah's, Nothing Bundt Cakes, Island Fin Poke, Clean Juice, and more!

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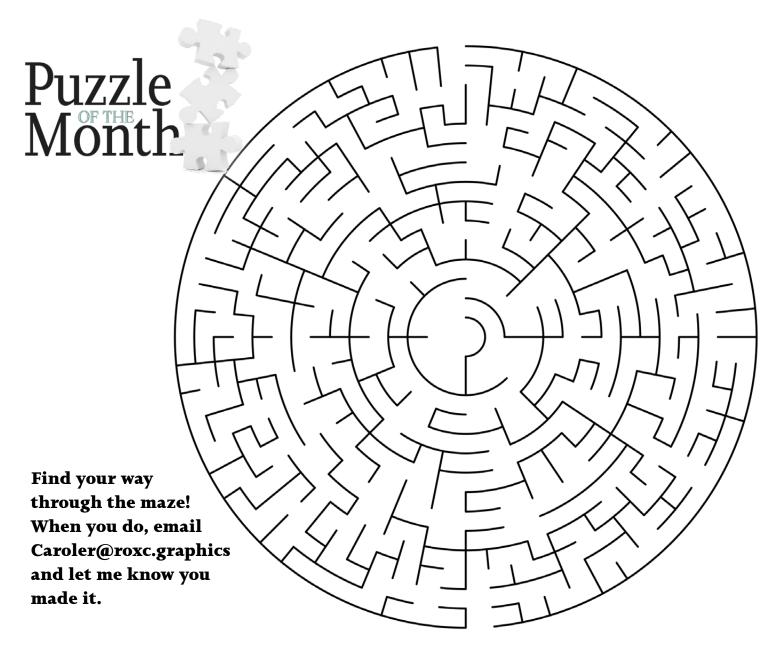
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Location of the hidden peacock: Page 16!

Thank you for submitting answers to last month's puzzle!

Charlie and Kent Ross
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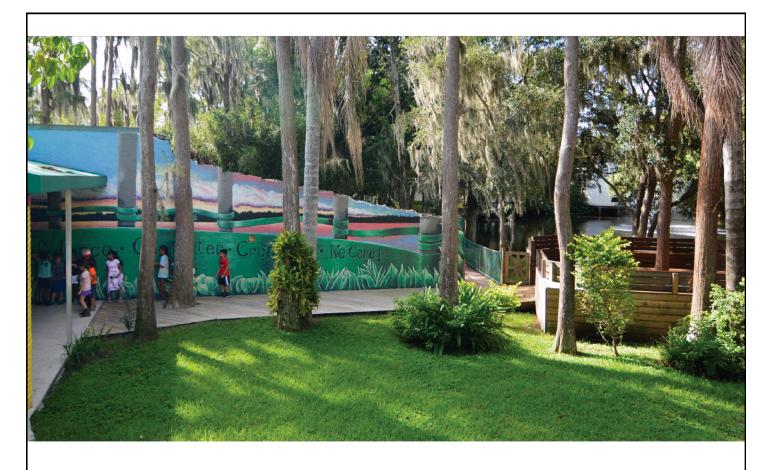
Find the hidden peacock!

It may be bigger or smaller, or a different shape or color alltogether!

Email your answer(s) to Caroler@roxc.graphics before January 10. All who reply will have their name posted in the next issue of *The Caroler!*



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