

RING IN THE NEW YEAR

#### **Notice of Board Meetings**

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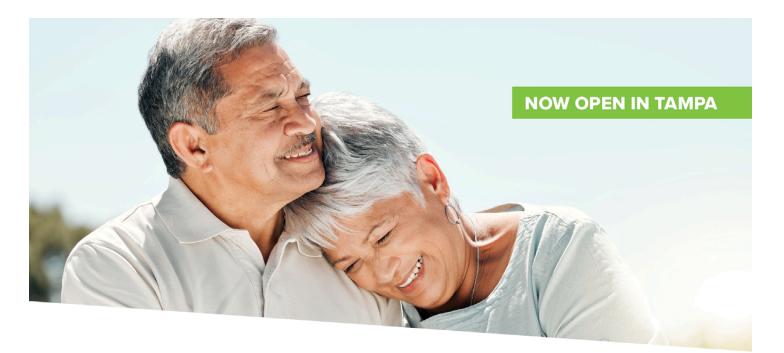


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## Stay Connected!

#### MAKE SURE YOU ARE RECEIVING ALL THE NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

If you have been receiving the Crime Watch/ Events and Neighborhood emails this year, then you do not need to do anything further. If you are a new resident or have not been receiving the emails, please contact: crimewatch@originalcarrollwood.com to get signed up. The emails will contain Crime Watch notifications, The Caroler Newsletter social event information and other neighborhood news.

If you use Facebook, please join our page for updates on neighborhood news and social events. This page is 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: https://www.facebook.com/groups/ CarrollwoodCivic

If you are a new resident, please contact Kristin Nail: kristinnail@originalcarrollwood.com

Email: cca@originalcarrollwood.com

Stay up-to-date with the Crime Watch/Events Email and our Facebook group. f Original Carrollwood Civic Association www.facebook.com/groups/CarrollwoodCivic

ur December CCA meeting was well attended and full of information as we look forward to the start of another great year in Original Carrollwood. Bryan Huls updated the Board on our upcoming carp release this spring to assist in maintaining the health of Lake Carroll. Jerrod Mills provided an update of our social calendar for the coming months and proposed a few new ideas that we look forward to implementing this spring. Six Board members were re-elected to their positions and we thank them for their continued service to our Community.

If you're looking for more information, be sure to check out our website at www.originalcarrollwood.com and send us an email to get added to our mailing list.

#### Happy New Year! ①





By Mark Snellgrove, CRD President

I would like to recognize and thank Chrissie Price for her service on the CRD Board. Chrissie is responsible for new signage at all the parks & Recreation Center and at the entrance of Lake Carroll Way and Dale Mabry Highway. She is also responsible for a longterm reserve study which was just completed, this is a vital capital planning tool that provides directional guidance and analysis of community assets. Chrissie's last meeting was in December. I would also like to welcome Jared Brown to the Board, Jared will be assuming the Community Development position at the January meeting. He is originally from Pennsylvania and moved to Tampa in 2014. In 2017, Jared and his wife Anita became proud residents of Original Carrollwood and now can't imagine raising their two children anywhere else. Jared enjoys all that the community has to offer and aims to contribute to the neighborhood's growth and vibrancy.

Professionally, Jared has showcased his creativity and leadership as a Film and Creative Director at the University of South Florida for the past nine years. With a robust background spanning 15 years in the film and video production industry, Jared brings a wealth of experience and a unique perspective to the CRD Board. His professional expertise, coupled with his passion for community development, positions Jared as an ideal candidate dedicated to contributing to the growth and prosperity of the Original Carrollwood community.

Also, public notice is hereby given that the CRD has a Board vacancy to fill. If you are a "qualified elector" in the CRD's tax base and interested, please email the business office or Mark Snellgrove for inquiries and attend the January Board meeting, as the vacancy will be filled through the appointment process. ()

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A | "Our family moved to Original Carrollwood in 1973 on Schefflera, then moved to Carrollwood Drive on the lake in 1980, so he has wanted to get back on the water ever since. We lived on Juniperus for 15 years and started our family there, until we were lucky enough to find our current house and began making it our forever home."

### Q | What do you love most about your home and yard?

A | "Very simply, we love hosting friends and family."

#### Q | When thinking of all the time you have spent in your yard, do you have a favorite memory?

A | "Playing with our kids in the backyard and on the lake, gathering with friends and family for backyard cookouts, sitting in our driveway to enjoy Christmas Eve and the Halloween parade in the front yard."

### Q | Any fun facts, hobbies or words of wisdom you would like to share with your neighbors?

A | "Thank you so very much for the compliment of Yard of the Month. Original Carrollwood is a special place. We bought a house, but made it a home. It means nothing without our fantastic friends and family."

#### Email your nomination to: YardoftheMonth@OriginalCarrollwood.com

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Include: Address of nominated yard • Reason for nomination • Your name, phone number, & email address • If possible, please include a photo of the yard with your nomination. Thank you! Nominations can also be made at the Community Center, at Board Meetings or by visiting our Community website: www.OriginalCarrollwood.com



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see courts that are currently available and book a court/ time.



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#### **REAL ESTATE 101:** THE EVER-CHANGING **REAL ESTATE MARKET**



By M. Wayne Wilson, Realtor, Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Properties Group, Previous OC Resident 47 years

Gee whiz! I think about how much Real Estate has changed since I got my license in 1974. Back then, we were a buyer beware state. In other words, It was incumbent upon the buyer to make sure everything was correct in what he was buying. The seller had little to no responsibility to offer any information about the home and it's condition. Our contracts were two pages long versus the current 13 + pages today. There were no broker notifications disclosing brokerage connections to other businesses, etc. And it's going to continue to change!

There is currently several lawsuits in different areas of the country dealing with the way compensation is being handled in Real Estate transactions. So far none have been fully resolved, but one in particular, the Sitzer-Burnett case, has stirred significant interest and much confusion in the industry on how to handle compensation different from how it's been handled as long as I have been in Real Estate. The essence of this litigation deals with how commissions will be paid. Because this is still in the courts and currently in a judge's hands to sort out the verdict handed down by a jury, we do not know where it's going to go. Overall, however, there are recommendations that the seller should not have to pay the buyer's agent a commission. I'm sure many of you are saying hallelujah, but the issues will be difficult.

Buyers will possibly be required to sign an agreement with buyer Realtors to pay a level of compensation should the buyer purchase a home that the agent has taken them. In some ways, this is a plus for the agents. As an agent I have more than once shown homes to someone who then goes to their second cousin who has a license and lets them

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Р	11730 Lipsey Rd	3,450	\$900,000
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Р	10323 Orange Grove Dr	2,188	\$694,000
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S	10517 Orange Grove Dr	1,858	\$405,000
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generate the contract so they get the commission even though they did nothing to earn it. It's sad to think that people could be so crass, but they exist.

On the other hand, if the buyer wants to use his VA benefits, the VA does not allow the buyer to pay the commission. Now, the seller is in a box because anyone who is VA associated would probably find it difficult for someone to show them all the available properties.

Just know this has no effect on you at this time, but depending on how the judges rule will determine the effect on Florida homeowners in the future. Life moves on! Have a great 2024, you Carrollwoodians.



### **Carrollwood K8 News**



Carrollwood PTSA raised over \$20,000 during their annual Hootiefest. These funds will be used for inschool field trips and to support technology initiatives.

Carrollwood has two thriving gardens! 1st grade and 5th grade are growing kale, herbs, tomatoes, watermelon, squash, cucumbers, sunflowers, and lettuces. Students visit the gardens to learn about life cycles and soil conditions.

Great American Teach-In was a huge success. Thank you to the owl families and community members who shared their careers with the students.









6th grade is starting out strong! Students have taken a field trip to Nature's Classroom and are enjoying changing classes. Along with a new grade, Carrollwood has gained upgrades to the media center and new technology.

PTSA sponsored their first in school field trip, Bricks4Kids in December. Students were able to build motorized vehicles out of legos.





Sing Auld Lang Syne

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**Auld Lang Syne** Standard English version(singable) Should old acquaintance be forgot, and never brought to mind? Should old acquaintance be forgot, and auld lang syne?

> Chorus For auld lang syne, my dear, for auld lang syne, we'll take a cup of kindness yet, for auld lang syne.

And surely you'll buy your pint cup! and surely I'll buy mine! And we'll take a cup o' kindness yet, for auld lang syne.

Chorus

We two have run about the hills, and picked the daisies fine; But we've wandered many a weary foot, since auld lang syne.

Chorus

We two have paddled in the stream, from morning sun till dine; But seas between us broad have roared since auld lang syne.

Chorus

And there's a hand my trusty friend! And give me a hand o' thine! And we'll take a right good-will draught, for auld lang syne.

Chorus



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### Congratulations and thanks to last month's players!

Tom Shea Katherine Clapp Karen Western

### Find the hidden peacock! It may be bigger or smaller, or

a different shape or color.

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



### Last Month's Answers

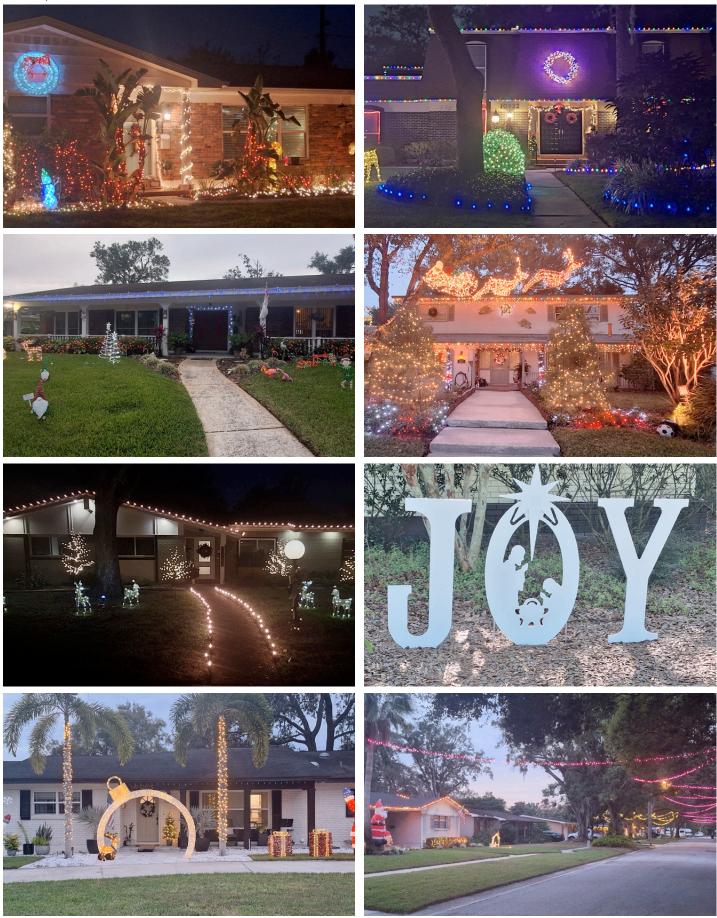
Mew Gear SCRAMBLE

Location of the hidden peacock in the previous issue: Page 4 on the Ballot Box.

Answer to Last Month's Tis the Season word scramble: HOLIDAYS

### OC Scenes of the Season

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