



The CRD Board has an opening.

If interested, please contact the Business Office or any CRD Board member.

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Notice of Board Meetings

Monday, February 13, 2017

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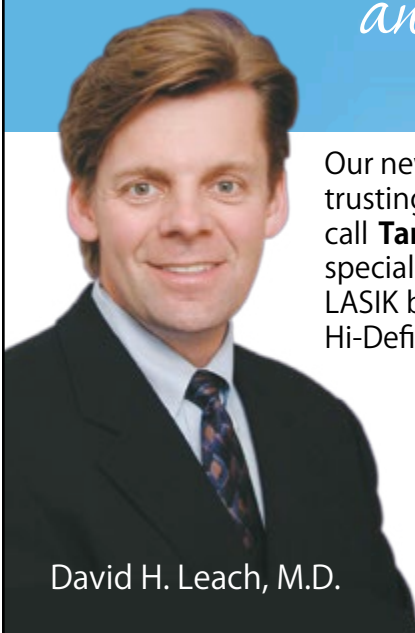
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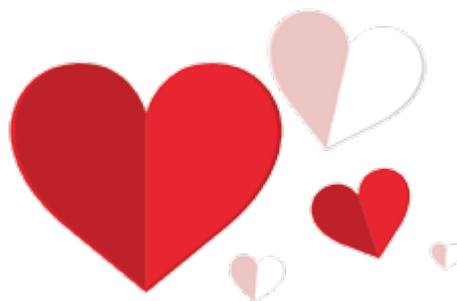


We had a great first meeting of 2017. We welcomed in our two new Board members, Eric Pellenbarg and Josh Shaffer, and thank them for volunteering for the Board. During our meeting, we discussed a new home addition. We also had a presentation from the Boy Scouts reviewing their tremendous efforts for the Luminarias for Christmas Eve, 2016.

They set up Luminarias at 30 more homes than last year and really ran a smooth effort for us. They actually recycled the sand from the bags they picked up and cleaned it before returning it to White Sands Beach! The Board and Carrollwood Community thanks them for their great efforts this year!



Preparing
Luminarias





by Mark Snellgrove, CRD President

The CRD began a new term at the January meeting with all the same faces except Paul Siddall. Paul has spent the last four years making significant capital improvements to Original Carrollwood Park. We cannot afford to lose him completely, so he will continue to serve on the Park Committee. That being said, there is an immediate opening on the CRD Board. This position will be filled through the appointment process. If you are interested, contact the Business Office, or if you know a CRD Board member, feel free to call them to get some insight. The Board will likely discuss selecting someone at the

February meeting. Additionally, visit the CRD website at: www.OriginalCarrollwoodCRD.com then click on CRD Meetings. You can view previous months meeting agendas that contain the meeting minutes. This will provide some insight to the issues dealt with on a monthly basis.

In closing, hats off to the CCA for a great December boat parade (I heard someone counted 52 boats). Also, we had another great New Years Eve fireworks show. I believe this was the best ever!

All the best for a short winter :-)



See more pictures of the boat parade
on Pages 10 & 11.

SAFETY REMINDER:

Please lock your vehicles, keep valuables out of sight, close the garage door, and keep your doors locked when you aren't there to supervise.



Our family moved into Original Carrollwood in 1999.

Lloyd and I met at Hillsborough High School and a few years after college graduation, married in December of 1983. Some of our fondest memories of the neighborhood are actually before we moved to Carrollwood! Every year early in our marriage, we would celebrate our wedding anniversary at a nice venue and afterwards would drive through Original Carrollwood marveling at the luminaries and beautifully decorated homes for the holidays. We eventually started our family and had two daughters, Kristen and Erica; and because of our fond anniversary memories, we both knew a home in Original Carrollwood was going to be the perfect place.

Lloyd is a Corporal with the Tampa Police Department and in his spare time enjoys golfing and working in the yard. Recently, he has started growing Scotch Bonnet or "Mutton" pepper plants used for cooking and are native to the Caribbean. Coincidentally, both of our fathers were born in Roatan Island.

I have a love of Orchids and also grow basic herbs such as rosemary and basil. However, what I enjoy most about our yard is having breakfast outside before I go to work as a banker at USAmeriBank in Carrollwood. There is something

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Turning 2017

By Lula Dovi

Now wispy holidays must leave us
leaving afterglow
leftovers remembered
stellar moments
meant for smiles or tears.
A nod of knowing
how fast the year turned
into yesteryear
into this New Year
with no return
but great resolve.

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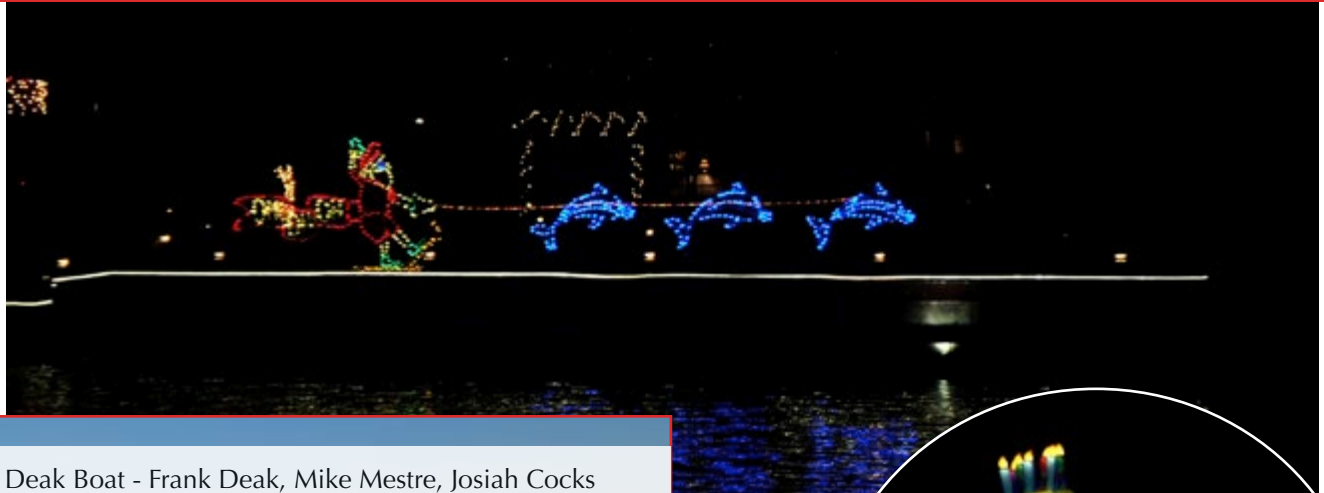
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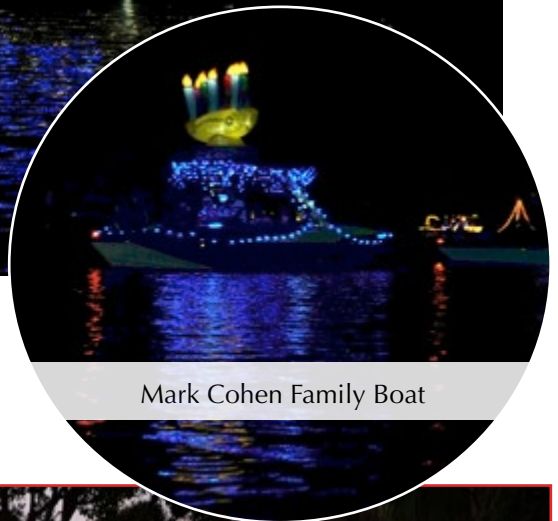
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Deak Boat - Frank Deak, Mike Mestre, Josiah Cocks



Mark Cohen Family Boat



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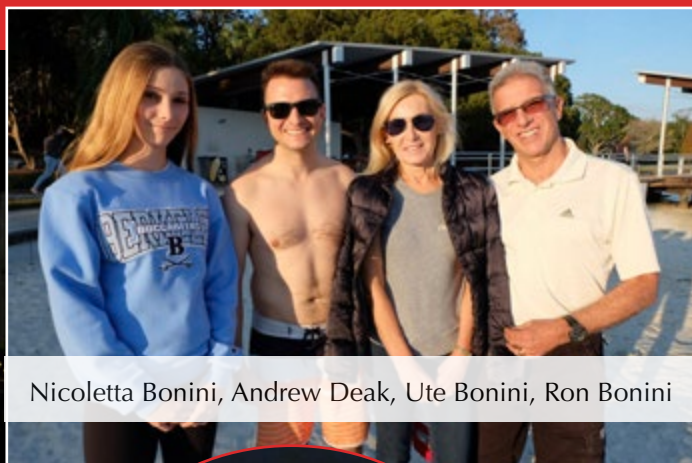
Onboard: Wil, Carly, Gavin, Shannon, Kelsey, Morgan, Jack and Cayson



Leslie Deak, Amanda Hastings, Josiah Cocks, Roxanne Deak



Festive boats create colorful water ripples.



Nicoletta Bonini, Andrew Deak, Ute Bonini, Ron Bonini

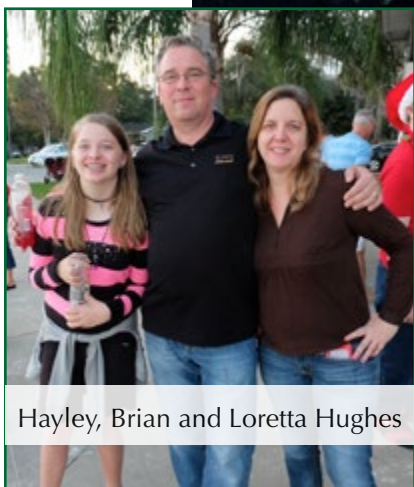


The Sheer family boat.

Onboard: Jamie and Melinda Sheer, Kevin, Meg and Annie Shidler, Mickey and Meg Jaap, Dave and Erin O'Donnell, Glenn and Kay Peterson.



Beautiful reflections on the water



Hayley, Brian and Loretta Hughes



Festive family Florida fun!

All photos courtesy of Frank Deak, OC Resident

Love & Money

by Justin Pullaro, Certified Financial Planner™ and OC Resident

"All you need is love," John Lennon famously said. But when it comes to money and relationships, love is just the beginning of dealing with the numerous issues money can create for couples.

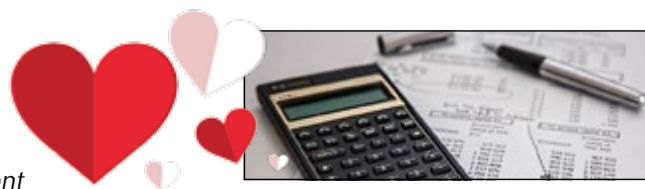
Study after study tells us that the #1 cause of relationship stress or conflict is money. In fact, financial reasons now dwarf all other reasons for relationships to end. Here are three things to consider how you and your partner deal with money issues:

1. TALK OPENLY ABOUT FINANCES

Money touches so many aspects of life; it's imperative to have frequent and re-occurring conversations together. Consider having a monthly "financial date" where you spend time ensuring you are on the same page – especially about spending habits which can be very different for each of you. Ramp up your discussions when seasons of life change – whether you're approaching retirement or expecting a child; you will need more clarity to navigate the changing landscape.

2. BE AND ACT AS A TEAM

Don't let one person dominate the financial responsibilities and decision making, but rather work together. Find ways to contribute to the relationship that aligns with your natural



abilities. Create some spending rules you both agree on like no major purchases without a conversation or you each get a small amount of money to spend with no questions asked (this has saved me from understanding my wife's affinity for shoes).

Most of all, remember you are on the same team no matter who earns what and who is responsible for what. And if you are on the same team, only win-win scenarios should be acceptable to your team.

3. UNDERSTAND WHAT THE CONFLICT IS REALLY ABOUT

Relationship conflicts surrounding money are often not about the money. You can usually find a deeper emotion, issue or communication breakdown that is really the root cause. Go back to point #1 to have open and honest conversations to learn what really is going on. Seek out professionals that can help you have these conversations if needed.


We all bring a unique financial personality rooted in our past experiences and habits to the table. This lays the grounds for conflict to occur. Make sure you add good communication and team work to the love you need for your relationship to thrive.



PLEASE Clean Up After Your Pet

by Anonymous

In recent months, the amount of dog poop that is spotted on the sidewalks has increased. It seems like some people are walking plugged into their phones or music and not letting their dogs stop to take care of their business and have the walker pick it up. The poops are left in a trail behind the dog and its walker.

There are a lot of kids who love to play on the sidewalks and other dog walkers who do pick up after their dogs. It is disgusting to have to step over the turds strewn along the sidewalks. Please be responsible, love your dog and love your neighborhood and clean up. Teach your children and dog-sitters, and dog-walkers the same! 



Carrollwood Recreation District

2017 Meeting Schedule

The Carrollwood Recreation District, a Florida independent special district, meets on the 2nd Monday of each month, at 6:30 p.m. The meetings are open to the public and held at the Original Carrollwood Recreation Center located at: 3515 McFarland Road, Tampa, FL 33618. More information on the District can be found online at: <http://www.originalcarrollwoodcrd.com>

The Carrollwood Recreation District 2017 Meeting Schedule as approved by the District Board includes the following dates:


Annual Organizational Session	6:00 p.m. Monday, January 9, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:05 p.m. Monday, January 9, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, January 9, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 21, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, February 13, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, February 13, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, February 18, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, March 13, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, March 13, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, March 18, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, April 10, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, April 10, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, April 15, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, May 8, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, May 8, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, May 20, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, June 12, 2017
Public Hearing: 2017 Fiscal Year Ending Budget	6:30 p.m. Monday, June 12, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:45 p.m. Monday, June 12, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, June 17, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, July 10, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, July 10, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, July 15, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, August 14, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, August 14, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 19, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, September 11, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, September 11, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, September 16, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, October 9, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, October 9, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, October 21, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, November 13, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, November 13, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, November 18, 2017
Regular Monthly Executive Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. Monday, December 11, 2017
Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m. Monday, December 11, 2017
Monthly Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m. Saturday, December 16, 2017



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Yard of the Month

relaxing about watching the cardinals and blue jays at the bird feeders each morning.

Now that the girls are grown, Lloyd and I have time to travel, and as a result, we hired a mowing service last month. Up until then, Lloyd has always taken care of the yard himself. We love our home and continue to make memories every year. 

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by

Wayne Wilson,

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43 Years



It's always fun to look back at our neighborhood and get some general feel for what has been the selling status for our homes in Carrollwood. Only 4% of our homes have been sold this year, which is far below average for a subdivision. For the numbers below, I have excluded homes located directly on Lake Carroll so as to avoid skewing of the numbers. So here it goes:

LISTING PRICES VS. SELLING PRICES

List Price	Selling Price	%Sell/List
Min Values: \$173,160	\$165,000	95%
Max Values: \$450,000	\$450,000	100%
Avg Values: \$320,891	\$308,596	96%
Med Values: \$329,950	\$310,125	94%

Sq Ft List \$	Sq Ft Sell \$	
Min Values: \$110	\$97	88%
Max Values: \$188	\$185	98%
Avg Values: \$154	\$149	97%
Med Values: \$157	\$153	97%

Square Footage of Home

Min Values:	1418
Max Values:	3222
Avg Values:	2105
Med Values:	2029

Days on the Market

Min Values:	0
Max Values:	339
Avg Values:	52
Med Values:	22

So, what can we make of all of these numbers? Let's begin by saying that the median values are probably the best to gauge the numbers. All of us, me included, believe everything we own is worth the top dollar. As an example, when the car dealer shows you the "blue book" price, you invariably think the highest price is what your car is worth. The reality is, it's not. Homes are much the same. We do upgrades in our homes and 10 years later we believe our home has been upgraded so it should be at the top of the range. WRONG! Most of our homes will be in that median range, and if the home has not had upgrades, it will fall in the lower square foot range. Another BIG factor is whether there is a pool or not. Carrollwood, for the most part, is pool desirable. What I mean by that is most of our homebuyers are young, family oriented people who seek that amenity for their family.

CAUTION: You see that number under "Days on the Market" that says "Max Value 339?" That stems from overpricing. I've said this before, and I'll say it again, if you overprice your home with the idea that you'll wait for someone to make you an offer, you are risking selling your home for less than it's real value. When a home is on the market for an excess amount of time, any time over 60 days, and in Carrollwood, the chances are you're overpriced and it gets what I call "the disease" which normally results in a lower than fair market value price.

Enjoy the data! By the way, if you missed the fireworks on New Years Eve at the beach, you missed a really good show. Thanks CCA, CRD. Just another one of those fabulous amenities you get by living in our great Community.

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as of *The Caroler* deadline:

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A	10709 Lake Carroll Way	1,798	\$319,900
P	10907 Bent Tree Pl	1,913	\$305,000
P	10504 Carrollview Dr	1,591	\$294,900
P	10603 Coquita Ln	1,827	\$295,000
P	3406 Lacewood Rd	2,132	\$270,000
P	3306 Nakora Dr	1,537	\$269,900
S	3421 Lacewood Rd	1,598	\$295,000
S	10519 Orange Grove Dr	1,557	\$253,800

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Brownie Truffles

Sort-of-a-recipe by Roxanne Clapp

Make brownies as directed for fudgy style on the brownie mix box (my favorite is Ghirardelli Dark with chips in the mix). When they are done and cool enough to touch, but not completely cooled, it is time to get your hands messy! Take some of that chocolate brownie goodness and roll it or squish it up in your hands in to a one inch ball.

You did wash your hands before you started this, right?

If not, eat that one yourself now, and go wash up to continue creating the brownie balls.

When you have as many made as you like, it is time for them

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to take a swim in some delicious silky melted chocolate. (My favorite melting chocolate is Ghirardelli Dark Chocolate Melting Wafers.)

Melt your wafers as instructed on the package. Dip those balls in to the chocolate and set them on some parchment paper to harden. If you want to decorate them, be sure to sprinkle or roll them in the desired edible finish before the chocolate cools. Cocoa powder, coconut, and powdered sugar are some ideas.

Eat at will. Oh, oops, I meant... wrap them up in a pretty package and give them to your Valentine!





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This is a word search. No hidden message here, just pure chocolatey goodness. How many letters remain after all the words listed below have been found? When submitting your answer, tell me your favorite chocolate treat!

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bonbon	confection	eclair	liqueur	smooth	torte
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ANSWER TO LAST MONTH'S PUZZLE

So, maybe I have been watching too many spy movies... that last one proved to be too much for many of you. When reading the paragraph from last month's puzzle, you either thought I had totally lost my spell-checking mind and/or you realized you were to collect the missing letters ;) After collecting them, the letters unscrambled to create the words....

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

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