



## Notice of Board Meetings

Monday, February 12, 2018

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by Jim Powell, CCA President

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We had a great meeting in January. Some of the items we discussed pertained to home renovations, fences, docks and our great events that were held in December. We hope you are able to enjoy the lighted boat parade, luminarias and the spectacular New Year's Eve fireworks show! We will look

forward to putting those on again this year for you.

Jamie Sheer provided a very positive financial update.

Our next event will be the Easter egg hunt on March 31st. Look for more info on this fun event in the near future. 🌈

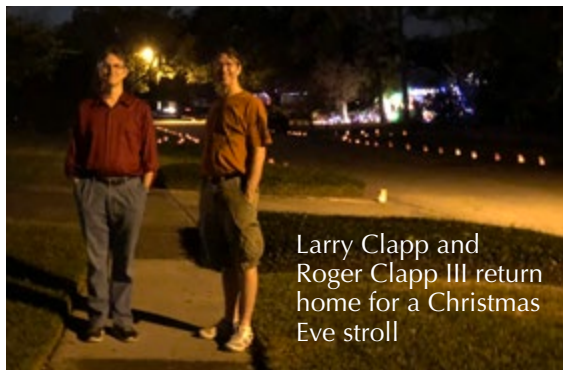


## An OC Christmas Eve Tradition

by Roxanne Clapp, Editor

Christmas Eve, I had the pleasure of being in the neighborhood to see the luminaria. I enjoyed walking along the streets and witnessing that warm neighborhood camaraderie first hand. I was there sharing in the family fun and helping to get the luminaria glowing. Neighbors were helping each other, and merry Christmas wishes were spreading from one corner to another. My short walk was filled with beautifully decorated homes, children laughing, and even "sleigh" rides, along with the warm glow of the luminaria.

Although the pictures aren't much more than blurry lights, the memories are clear. If you have ever been along Valencia on Christmas Eve, you might know why I even had a few marshmallow dreams that night. 🌈



Larry Clapp and Roger Clapp III return home for a Christmas Eve stroll







by Mark Snellgrove, CRD President

You might have noticed significant improvements during 2017 at White Sands Beach. In December, the sand was replenished along with several of the picnic tables getting all new boards and a fresh coat of paint. In the earlier part of 2017, two new light poles were installed to better light up the parking lot. As a result of hurricane Irma, the block wall around the property has all new stucco and paint. The building was also painted to match the wall.



Until next month... 



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All the credit for our landscape design goes to Joe Hudson, from the Hudson Nursery Family, who landscaped the Kenyon's yard for many years. In 2015, we put in an island-themed pool and had Joe design a tropical backyard to complete the look. In 2017, we had him carry the tropical theme to the front yard as well. We are happy with how it looks, and especially appreciate the low maintenance aspect of it. We love living back in the OC, and plan to be here for a very long time!



Gunnar, Diane, Kira, and Bruce VanWingerden

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By KT Tershowski, REALTOR®

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## OC REAL ESTATE

### REAL ESTATE - 101

#### VACATION

by Wayne Wilson, Realtor and  
OC Resident  
43 Years



Once again, we can look back at some statistics for 2017 in Original Carrollwood. I have excluded homes directly on Lake Carroll so as to avoid skewing of the numbers. So here it goes: see the information in the box in the upper right.

Like all statistical data, there's good news and there's bad news. The good news is that the average selling price this year was up 5.7%. List price to selling price was down 6%. This is typically due to overpricing and that was reflected in Days On the Market which also increased this year to an average of 55. We actually sold 46 houses, which is an average of about 4 per month. And we usually do not have many more than that for sale each month. The demand for OC remains very high and that's really attributable to the fact that the vast majority of you are continuing to make this community sparkle. Most people keep their property looking great and the CCA and CRD continue to do the challenging work of keeping and improving all of the special events that Original Carrollwood is famous for.

#### Listing Prices vs. Selling Prices

	List Price	Selling Price	%Sell/List
Min Values:	\$200,000	\$198,000	99%
Max Values:	\$797,000	\$628,500	79%
Avg Values:	\$360,368	\$326,175	90%

	Sq Ft List \$	Sq Ft Sell \$	
Min Values:	\$120	\$117	97%
Max Values:	\$233	\$205	88%
Avg Values:	\$176	\$161	91%

#### Square Footage of Home

Min Values: 1,411      Max Values: 3,792      Avg Values: 2,601

#### Days on the Market

Min Values: 1      Max Values: 541      Avg Values: 55

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## OC Listings

### as of The Caroler deadline:

A=Active; P=Pending; S=Sold in the last 30 days

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A	3110 Lake Ellen Dr	2,380	\$349,876
A	3014 Sabal Rd	2,778	\$470,000
P	11509 Areca Rd	1,773	\$300,000
P	3323 Picwood Rd	1,688	\$245,000
P	3324 Valencia Rd	1,632	\$339,000
P	3410 Valencia Rd	2,447	\$379,000
S	10707 Carrollwood Dr	2,316	\$550,000
S	3306 Korina Ln	1,374	\$298,000
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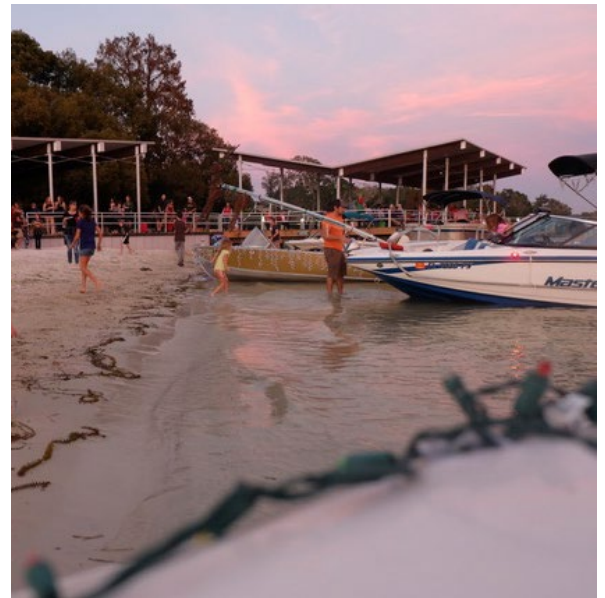
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# Boat Parade 2017

*by Neil Norden*

Hats off to John and Mark!! Record crowd. Perfect weather.

We served 60 pizzas from NY NY Pizza of Carrollwood. Thanks for supporting our community. There were a record number of boats this year. I lost count after 20+.

Great time catching up with the neighbors.

Hope you had a merry Christmas and happy holidays.



Roxanne Deak and Leslie Deak, and Frank Deak's guests, Debbie Rowland, Amanda Hastings and James Hastings.



Two heads are better than one!



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by Lula J. Dovi

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# Resident News

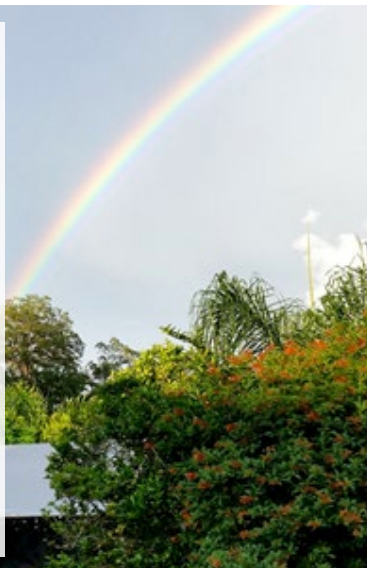
At Christmas 2017, Original Carrollwood resident **Charlie Ross** celebrated 53 years in OC!

**Frank Deak** retired from Verizon after 42 years. In the last five years, he had interesting assignments among which are his fond memories of his foreign assignment in Ireland, and standing in for striking workers in upstate New York. Now he will have more time to devote to family and other things like visiting the local pubs to hear his musician friends sing; playing soccer, now in the Over-60 division; and continuing his photography. Frank captured this beautiful moment in an image of the Giese and Fuhlmann kids frolicking at Lake Carroll in 2017.



**Cyndie Deak**, Frank's wife of 44 years, passed in June.

A vivid double rainbow with a rare purple band glowed over the stage as the band played during the celebration of life held in their backyard. Some say it was Cyndie nodding her approval.



## Grace Lutheran Church Hosts Redhead Express Concert

The Redhead Express is an American country music band consisting of four sisters with more than 2,000 performances that is headed to Tampa on February 11. A free will offering concert will be held at Grace Lutheran Church at Carrollwood.

This popular group that will be performing for the 5th time at the Strawberry Festival in Plant City was asked by church members and residents of Original Carrollwood **Tony and Lois Perrone** to perform at the church. According to Lois, the music of the Redhead Express takes you back to your roots in a way that feels fresh and new. Spending an evening with them you are captivated by their blended harmonies, their realness, passion, and most importantly, their heart.

Their vocal talents along with their skill playing fiddle, guitar, banjo, bass and a variety of acoustical instruments produces music which covers a range of genres including gospel, blues, jazz, bluegrass, folk and country. The Redhead Express will be trying out for NBC's America's Got Talent soon after the performance at Grace.

The quartet consists of Kendra (lead singer, songwriter and guitarist), Alisa (second lead and baritone singer who plays fiddle and mandolin), LaRae (banjo, dobro and guitar, and sings tenor harmony), and Meghan Walker (bass and tenor harmony).





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by Michelle Cochise, OC Resident

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Talk about motivation to get something done RIGHT AWAY!!

Knowing that Dean's Electric Service had been a longtime advertiser in our beloved "Caroler"...I called Dean immediately and asked that he please come ASAP and assess the situation.

He did...and after close inspection, he advised me that until we have an electrician change the panel out, and while I got estimates, to not use my major appliances in order to keep the "load" on the panel light. He also explained the scope of work to me in laymen's terminology so that I could understand the process.

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Long story short...they started the day after Christmas and their team worked diligently...professionally...and respectfully for 2 1/2 days to give us a New SAFE Top Notch electrical system. We can finally rest peacefully.

Why am I sharing our journey? Well, sadly, during THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON, a home right here in Original Carrollwood experienced a FIRE caused by, yes, you guessed it, an electrical problem.

Moral to this story—Original Carrollwood homes were built in the 1960s. If you haven't replaced your outdated panels, PLEASE, don't chance it. We were blessed to find it before our home was damaged, or even worse, any lives were lost. JUST SAYIN'!

Gratefully...

Long time residents, Michelle & Jack Cochise

## BEFORE



One of Outside panels...  
notice the wire melted  
at the top of fuses.

## DURING PANEL REPLACEMENT



## AFTER





# CARROLL 'WOOF'

## Christmas Party

December 22, 2017 • Original Carrollwood Dog Park



Dave Medich w/  
Riley (& Lahnah:  
not shown)

Dean  
Stansell

Roger  
Clapp  
(Geiger)

Richard & Tyler  
Benyo w/Mowey

Alex Livingstone  
(Campbell)

Mike Miskel  
(Suzie) (Otis/  
not shown)

Beverly  
Stansell  
(Tinde)

Tomoko  
Arnold  
(Winston)

Shelley  
Stewart  
(Gracie)

Suzy Giunta  
(Zac & Buster)

John Probst  
(Dannie &  
Jackson)

[Not in picture, but attended the party: Macie Allegri w/Marley]

## SHARE YOUR STORY

Send photos from the neighborhood with a caption or brief description. Want to share more, or know someone that deserves to be highlighted in a future issue? Let us know! Send information to *The Caroler*.

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## SOLUTION TO LAST MONTH'S PUZZLE

### New Year Quiz!

1. Why do the Chinese light firecrackers around the New Year?  
A) To ward off evil spirits
2. Who first recognized January 1st as the beginning of the New Year?  
C) The Romans
3. To ring in the New Year in Spain, it is traditional to do what on each chime of the clock?  
B) Eat a grape
4. One of the most popular New Years traditions is the toast at midnight to ring in the new year. Why is it called Toasting?  
A) Float toast on wine to remove acidity
5. Which of the following foods is not thought to bring luck in the New Year?  
C) Lobster
6. People of Italy wear red what to bring good luck in the New Year?  
B) Underwear

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

Gary & Janet Pailthorp  
Charlie Ross

Tom Shea  
Minnie Norton

# Home Improvement Humdinger

After a recent spate of home improvements, four couples were having a dinner party to discuss the additions to their houses.

Alan had not recently had a new bathroom. Kara had not yet done her kitchen, but perhaps would update it next. Brian, who is married to Maud, had not had new windows. Laura delighted in showing photographs of her new conservatory. Neither Charles nor David had a new kitchen. Julie had not had new windows. Alan, who also had not had windows, is not married to Laura and Charles is not married to Kara.

Who is married to whom and what work had they recently undertaken, assuming that each couple had one improvement and no two couples had the same improvement?

Email your answers to the Editor at  
[Caroler@roxc.graphics](mailto:Caroler@roxc.graphics)  
before February 10.

All that reply will have their name,  
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