



# Annual 4th Celebration!

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July 2018

A Monthly Publication of the Carrollwood Civic Association



## Notice of Board Meetings

Monday, July 9, 2018

**CRD Executive Meeting:** 6 p.m. • **CRD Regular Meeting:** 6:30 p.m. • **CCA:** No Meeting this Month  
Carrollwood Rec Center - 3515 McFarland Road  
Residents welcome to attend.

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by Jim Powell, CCA President

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can be corrected.

We had a great meeting in June. We approved a new dock and received an application for another new dock on the lake. We discussed our final plans for the July 4th event, hope you can join us. See more details on page 8. Jamie Sheer presented our financials which are an excellent shape.

Bryan Huls gave a report on the lake and the decision was

made to hold on adding Carp

until next year. Also want to give a shout out to Paul Siddall for doing the Crime Watch email for us. He is transitioning this duty to Mark Georgiades on our board and we thank Paul for his assistance over the years and Mark for taking on this important task for us! Have a great summer!

## Displaying the American Flag

Source: USA.gov

Every Fourth of July all across the country, people show their love for America by displaying flags along streets, hanging them from porches, and proudly carrying them in the town parade. Old Glory is everywhere. But did you know there are official rules on properly displaying the U.S. flag? This guide from USAGov, based on the Federal Flag Code can help you show respect for the flag as you celebrate this Fourth of July:

**When:** You can display the flag outside from sunrise to sunset. If you want to fly it after dark, it will need to be lit. Don't fly the flag during inclement weather, unless it's an all-weather flag.

**On the porch:** The union of the flag--the blue section with white stars--should be placed at the peak of the staff unless the flag is at half-staff. When the flag is suspended from a rope on a pole extending from a house, the flag should be hoisted out, union first, from the building.

**On the wall or the window:** When the flag is displayed on a flat surface like a wall, the union should be at the top left.

**On the street:** The flag should be suspended vertically with the union to the north in an east and west street or to the east in a north and south street. The flag should never touch anything beneath it, so make sure it's hoisted at the proper height.

**At the office:** Suspend the flag vertically with the union to the observer's left upon entering. If the building has more than one main entrance, the flag should be suspended vertically near the center of the corridor or lobby with the union to the north when entrances are to the east and west, or to the east when entrances are to the north and south. If there are entrances in more than two directions, the union should be to the east.

**On a vehicle:** The staff should be fixed firmly on the right side of the vehicle. Do not drape the flag over the hood, top, sides, or back of a vehicle or a boat.

Take care of your flag. Many dry cleaners will clean U.S. flags for free during the months of June and July. Store your flag in a well-ventilated area. If it gets wet, make sure it's completely dry before storing it. If the flag is damaged or worn out, it should be burned and disposed of with dignity. Learn more about the flag, its history, protocol, and ways to pay your respects, including the proper way to fold it.

This Independence Day, show your patriotism by proudly displaying the old Red, White and Blue while celebrating the nation's birthday.

Let USAGov be your guide for other areas of your life at [USA.gov/explore](http://USA.gov/explore).





by Mark Snellgrove, CRD President

At the June meeting, the CRD adopted a **\$672,653.00** budget beginning on October 1, 2018 and ending on September 30, 2019.

**Carrollwood Recreation District  
Approved Budget  
October 2018 through September 2019**

|   | Oct 18 - Sept 19  |
|---|-------------------|
| <b>Income</b>                                 |                   |
| <b>GENERAL</b>                                |                   |
| 605 · Rec Center Room Charges                 | 20,000.00         |
| 610 · Interest                                | 3,500.00          |
| 615 · Special Assessments                     | 529,000.00        |
| 620 · Other                                   | 10,900.00         |
| 625 · Accumulated Funds                       | 109,253.00        |
| <b>Total GENERAL</b>                          | <b>672,653.00</b> |
| <b>Total Income</b>                           | <b>672,653.00</b> |
| <b>Expense</b>                                |                   |
| <b>PRESIDENT</b>                              |                   |
| 820 · Contingency & Other President           | 7,500.00          |
| 825 · Gatekeeper Service                      | 3,650.00          |
| 830 · Insurance - Bonds                       | 158.00            |
| 835 · Insurance - Officer D&O                 | 3,885.00          |
| 845 · Insurance - Property/Liability/Umbrella | 35,000.00         |
| 850 · Insurance - Workers Comp                | 2,500.00          |
| 870 · Operating Supplies                      | 5,900.00          |
| 900 · Professional Services                   | 7,000.00          |
| 960 · Utilities - TECO                        | 13,000.00         |
| 965 · Utilities - Trash                       | 2,025.00          |
| 970 · Utilities - Water                       | 8,200.00          |
| <b>Total PRESIDENT</b>                        | <b>88,818.00</b>  |
| <b>TREASURER</b>                              |                   |
| 805 · Accounting-Bookkeeper                   | 5,100.00          |
| 810 · Accounting - Auditing                   | 10,000.00         |
| 815 · Accounting - Bank Charges / Fees        | 75.00             |
| 875 · Board Fee - State                       | 175.00            |
| 910 · Property Taxes - Non-Ad Valorem         | 335.00            |
| 920 · Rent/Leases - CCA                       | 28,000.00         |
| 977 · Debt Service - Principal                | 168,000.00        |
| 979 Debt Service - Interest                   | 24,000.00         |
| <b>Total TREASURER</b>                        | <b>235,685.00</b> |
| <b>WHITE SANDS BEACH</b>                      |                   |
| 855 · Lake Testing                            | 1,000.00          |
| 924 · Repairs & Maint WS Beach                | 11,000.00         |
| 940 · Guard Service WS Beach                  | 26,500.00         |
| 985 · Capital Improvements WS Beach           | 16,000.00         |
| <b>Total WHITE SANDS BEACH</b>                | <b>54,500.00</b>  |
| <b>SCOTTY COOPER PARK</b>                     |                   |
| 925 · Repairs & Maint Scotty Cooper           | 8,000.00          |
| 986 · Capital Improvements Scotty             | 10,000.00         |
| <b>Total SCOTTY COOPER PARK</b>               | <b>18,000.00</b>  |
| <b>Original Carrollwood Park</b>              |                   |
| 926 · Repairs & Maint OCP                     | 13,000.00         |
| 987 · Capital Improvements OCP                | 10,000.00         |
| <b>Total Original Carrollwood Park</b>        | <b>23,000.00</b>  |

|                                      |                     |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>TENNIS COURTS</b>                 |                     |
| 927 · Repairs & Maint Tennis         | 4,000.00            |
| <b>Total TENNIS COURTS</b>           | <b>4,000.00</b>     |
| <b>RECREATION CENTER</b>             |                     |
| 865 · Office Supplies Rec Center     | 2,500.00            |
| 885 · Payroll Taxes                  | 3,200.00            |
| 890 · Pest Control Rec Center        | 350.00              |
| 895 · Postage                        | 250.00              |
| 915 · Recreation Center Cleaning     | 2,600.00            |
| 928 · Repairs & Maint Rec Center     | 18,000.00           |
| 930 · Salary - Maintenance           | 19,000.00           |
| 935 · Salary - Office                | 14,500.00           |
| 936 · Travel - Mileage Reimbursement | 850.00              |
| 941 · Security Monitoring Rec Center | 2,600.00            |
| 950 · Telephone                      | 3,000.00            |
| 988 · Capital Improvements Rec Ctr   | 10,000.00           |
| <b>Total RECREATION CENTER</b>       | <b>76,850.00</b>    |
| <b>GROUNDS</b>                       |                     |
| 860 · Landscaping Monthly            | 61,000.00           |
| 929 · Repairs & Maint Grounds        | 25,000.00           |
| 955 · Tree Trimming                  | 12,000.00           |
| 990 · Capital Improvements - Grounds | 0.00                |
| <b>Total GROUNDS</b>                 | <b>98,000.00</b>    |
| <b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</b>         |                     |
| 989 · Capital Improvements           | 73,800.00           |
| <b>Total COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</b>   | <b>73,800.00</b>    |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>                 | <b>\$672,653.00</b> |



Board Member David O'Donnell - who is in charge of Scotty Cooper Park - reported that a 3-foot alligator was caught by resident Jeremy Johnson while fishing at Scotty Cooper Park, so Jeremy contacted the Florida Fish & Wildlife Commission and a trapper relocated it.

We'll see you on July 4th :-)





Ethan, Blake, Allison, and Brad McCoy

## 3110 Cocos The McCoy Family

When Jim Blanco knocked on my door to inform me that 3110 Cocos Road had won Yard of the Month, I replied in all seriousness, “You, obviously, didn’t peek into the back.” The only bright spot you might spy in our backyard is Mr. Pope Francis, our perky little cardinal who likes to take a daily plunge in our birdbath.

When I told my husband, Brad, that we had won, his reply was, “Well, a good yard starts with great grass!” Thankfully, the house came with great grass when we bought it three years ago after having lived in south Tampa for 20 years. We’ve managed to keep it alive with regular fertilizer treatment.

When I announced to my 18 and 16-year-old sons, Ethan and Blake, that we had won, they immediately took credit saying, “It was inevitable with the McCoy Mowing Services in charge.” While at times I wish for more estrogen and less testosterone in my house, two teenage boys are definitely an asset when it comes to yard maintenance. Their services are employable if needed!

Our yard is definitely a WIP — a work in progress. The work began in earnest with Brad and the boys recently painting the trim around the house and having the gutters replaced due to Hurricane Irma. Nothing motivates like company coming! With

family arriving for Ethan’s high school graduation, we completed some “spring cleaning” on the plant beds and palm trees as well as adding a new teak bench with planters. There was a subtle nod to our alma mater and Ethan’s future university with the blue daze and orange begonias.

What an honor to be recognized for Yard of the Month. Join us on our bench as we enjoy the chirping of the birds and sounds of the neighborhood. We are grateful to the Lord for surrounding us with such wonderful neighbors and various avian life in the OC! 🐦

## NOMINATE A YARD!

Email your nomination to:  
[YardoftheMonth@OriginalCarrollwood.com](mailto:YardoftheMonth@OriginalCarrollwood.com)

### Send:

- Address of nominated yard
- Reason for nomination
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**If possible, please include a photo of the yard with your nomination. Thank you!**

Nominations can also be made at the Community Center, in person at Board Meetings or by visiting  
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|                                   |  |
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| Social & Events                   | John Perez . . . . . 957-5814<br>perez@originalcarrollwood.com   |
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|                                   | Bryan Yarborough . . . . . 240.0006<br>BryanYarborough@originalcarrollwood.com   |

## Carrollwood Recreation District

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### Carrollwood Recreation Center

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Names of children (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

**You can email your information!**

Send to

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Thanks for your help.



## Dogs Can Count!

by Roger Clapp

Dog Park (DP) Lore is born!

John Probst's dog, Jackson, - a chocolate Lab - often has this tendency to bark. Invariably, he will bark in groups of exactly three quick barks, and will continue to repeat the trios for a spell. So, I had this bright idea. Jackson had embarked (pun intended) on one of his extended sequences. I turned to him and said "Jackson, how much is two plus one?" Right on cue, he barked 3 times! Voila!

"That's RIGHT!" I said. Got a big laugh from onlookers John and Shelley Stewart.



**Jackson**

Photo by Suzy Giunta

Two heads are better than one!



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# Annual OC 4th of July Event!

*Come Out  
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**SKI SHOW:** Begins at 11 a.m. at White Sands Beach. Bring your beach chairs, blankets and sunscreen! Please do not open your umbrellas or put up your tents until after the ski show.

**FOOD:** More info to follow so stay tuned and check out the information in the next issue of *The Caroler*!

**AWARDS:** Judges will be along the parade route looking for spirited 4th of July families and individuals. We are judging for the "Most Patriotic

Family" and 1st runner-up. "Most Patriotic Adult," male and female, and 1st runner-up, and "Most Patriotic Kid," male and female, and 1st runner-up. Awards will be presented at the beach.

Questions: Contact Neil Norden at [NeilNorden@originalcarrollwood.com](mailto:NeilNorden@originalcarrollwood.com) or 904-742-8649 cell.

**Service Hours:** *Student volunteers are needed for everything from setting up, serving food, crowd control and cleanup. If you need Community Service hours, please come WITH your paperwork to White Sands Beach. Volunteers should show by 8:30 a.m. at White Sands Beach to help with set up. Neil Norden – CCA Social Co-Chair will sign paperwork.*

## The Torch of Freedom

*"The Second Day of July 1776, will be the most memorable Epocha, in the History of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with Shews, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more. You will think me transported with Enthusiasm but I am not. I am well aware of the Toil and Blood and Treasure, that it will cost Us to maintain this Declaration, and support and defend these States. Yet through all the Gloom I can see the Rays of ravishing Light and Glory. I can see that the End is more than worth all the Means. And that Posterity will triumph in that Days Transaction, even altho We should rue it, which I trust in God We shall not."*

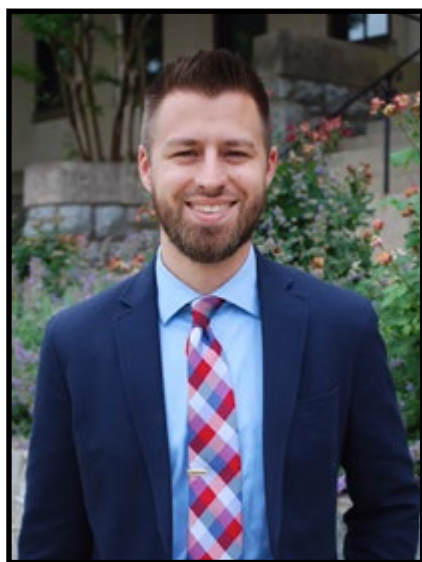
— John Adams July 3, 1776

# Congratulations OC Graduates!



## Erick Silva

Erick Silva, a lifelong resident of Original Carrollwood, graduated May 26th from Keystone Prep High School in Odessa FL. He is the son of Jose and Nancy Silva (Carrollwood Drive) and brother of Rachel (Junior at the University of Southern Mississippi). Erick was the Salutatorian of his class, and graduated with high honors. He attended Carrollwood Elementary school and it was there that he became a Tiger Cub Scout. He remained in scouting, eventually earning 53 merit badges as a Boy Scout. In August, 2017, Erick attained the highest scouting achievement, the Eagle Scout Award. Erick will attend Florida Gulf Coast University and plans to major in Forensic Studies.



## Patrick Shaffer

Patrick Shaffer graduated from American University Washington College of Law on May 20, 2018 in Washington, DC with a Juris Doctor. Patrick is the son of Dan and Patty Shaffer and brother of Will and Lilly. They've lived on Nakora Drive since 1997. Patrick and his wife Katie live in Washington, DC where he will take the bar exam this summer. He will begin work with the Center for Rule of Law and Good Governance on issues of rule of law in conflict and post-conflict situations. On campus he was involved in the American University National Security Law Brief, The American University Business Law Review, and the Africa Justice Initiative. During law school Patrick was able to work with many federal government offices including the U.S. Congress, the U.S. State Department, the U.S. Department of Commerce, and the U.S. Agency for International Development.

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### Last Call Running Club

Tuesdays, 6:30 - Brass Tap, 10047 N Dale Mabry  
Thursdays, 6:30 - Maloney's, 12904 N Dale Mabry  
More info, call K.T. Tershowski 813-503-1117

### Hillsborough County Democratic Women's Club Meeting

Monday, July 2, 2018, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.  
Jimmie B. Keel Library, 2902 W. Bearss Ave., Tampa, FL  
Contact: Patty Cohn at [HCDemocraticWomensClub@gmail.com](mailto:HCDemocraticWomensClub@gmail.com)

### Small Business Series: Grow Your Business With ReferenceUSA

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## OC REAL ESTATE

### REAL ESTATE – 101

#### Pets and Selling Your Home

by Wayne Wilson, Realtor and  
OC Resident

43 Years



At one time or another most of us have had a pet in the house. Pets are wonderful to own. They never talk back and they don't ask for much, but they have a lot of love to give. I had a Golden Retriever (Zeke) and believe me, we were the best of friends.

But when it comes to selling your house, they can be a significant problem. The first problem is the odor. Animals do smell even when regularly bathed and the fluids their bodies secrete get embedded into walls, flooring, and furniture. All of us have friends that we visit who have pets and sometimes we know it the minute we walk through the door. Not always, however.

What seems to be the difference? Primarily, the home without pet odors will have a quality ozone ionizer cleaner. These can be found on several websites, and they are very effective at a nominal cost. One that I'm familiar with is Best Choice Products and can be found on Amazon. Determining which to buy is best determined by looking at other buyer's comments. My partner Tammy Waugh and I just purchased one

because we were convinced that they could be of help to us in the future. They do work.

The second problem is what do you do with the pets when there are showings. Some buyers are deathly afraid of pets. Others will use this as a justification for giving you a low-ball offer, and still others will begin searching the house for evidence of damage caused by the animals. They must be contained in some manner. Potential buyers may love pets, but

## OC Listings

### as of *The Caroler* deadline:

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

| Status | Address               | Htd Sq Ft | Price     |
|--------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| A      | 10908 Juniperus Pl    | 1,830     | \$339,000 |
| A      | 11731 Lipsey Rd       | 2,409     | \$450,000 |
| A      | 3603 Prunus Pl        | 1,960     | \$390,000 |
| A      | 10405 Reclinata Ln    | 3,534     | \$650,000 |
| A      | 3014 Sabal Rd         | 2,778     | \$449,978 |
| P      | 10420 Butia Pl        | 2,355     | \$364,900 |
| P      | 10601 Carrollwood Dr  | 1,630     | \$450,000 |
| P      | 3318 Lacewood Rd      | 1,955     | \$399,000 |
| P      | 11743 Lipsey Rd       | 2,376     | \$437,000 |
| P      | 11808 Lipsey Rd       | 1,914     | \$389,900 |
| P      | 3320 Lacewood         | 1,772     | \$325,000 |
| P      | 3111 McFarland Rd     | 2,028     | \$325,000 |
| P      | 10317 Orange Grove Dr | 1,905     | \$350,000 |
| P      | 10507 Orange Grove Dr | 1,672     | \$274,900 |
| P      | 10603 Orange Grove Dr | 2,138     | \$325,000 |
| P      | 3413 Picwood Rd       | 1,322     | \$284,900 |
| P      | 3614 Schefflera Rd    | 1,818     | \$205,000 |
| S      | 3012 Sabal Rd         | 1,680     | \$290,000 |
| S      | 3302 Lacewood Rd      | 2,085     | \$295,000 |
| S      | 3319 Schefflera Rd    | 2,906     | \$317,625 |
| S      | 3310 Nakora Dr        | 1,856     | \$340,000 |
| S      | 11716 Lipsey Rd       | 3,048     | \$390,000 |

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when they're looking at your house, you want them to concentrate on your house rather than concentrating on keeping the animal from sniffing all over you.

The best solution is to relocate the animals during the process. You may remember from my comments in the past ... When you put your house on the market you have to accept the fact that IT IS NO LONGER YOUR HOUSE. You now want to make it so prospective buyers can visualize what THEY would do to decorate the house to their needs.

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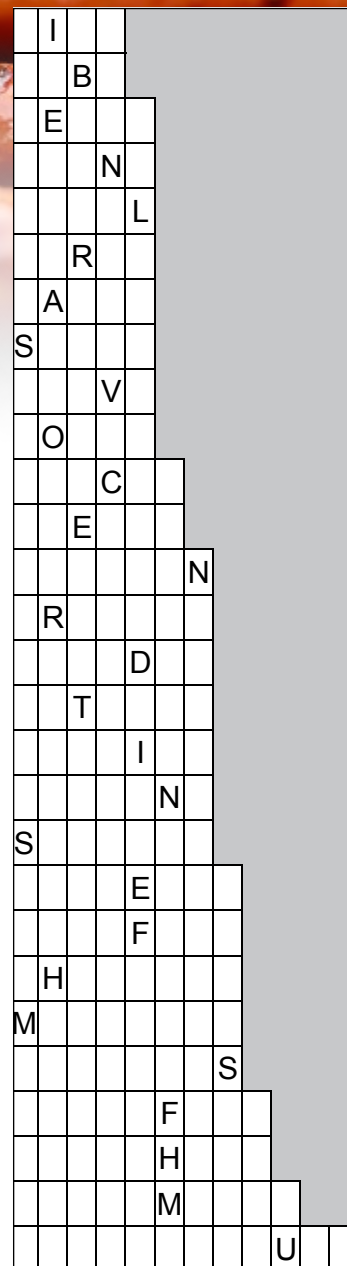




In honor of National Hot Dog Month

## OUTDOOR COOKING

1. Wrap in foil with some lemon and seasoning for grilling
2. Baby back \_\_\_\_
3. Use driftwood to start a fire on the \_\_\_\_
4. Watch what you're doing or your food might get \_\_\_\_
5. The wire supports that keep the meat off the coals
6. Barbeques are great for a summer \_\_\_\_ by the pool or in the park
7. At home grills are normally located on the \_\_\_\_ or deck
8. Try not to inhale the \_\_\_\_ as you are cooking
9. A portable camp stove can be used if campfires are not allowed
10. To turn over the meat, use \_\_\_\_ not a fork
11. \_\_\_\_ and seasonings add flavor to meats
12. T-bone, rib eye and sirloin \_\_\_\_ are popular for grilling
13. You can grill this poultry whole or in pieces
14. Invite your \_\_\_\_ over for a barbeque
15. You don't need a \_\_\_\_ like the 4th of July to fire up the grill
16. Kids like \_\_\_\_ and hamburgers
17. Some parks have permanent grills for cook-outs or \_\_\_\_
18. This gas fuels many barbeque grills
19. Brats, links, or Italian \_\_\_\_
20. Another word for grilling
21. If you go camping you can grill over the \_\_\_\_
22. Small black bricks that provide heat for cooking
23. To get good flavor, \_\_\_\_ your chosen meat for a half hour or more
24. Grilling is usually done \_\_\_\_, but there are new indoor grills
25. The Cooking Network's grilling king
26. Popular cuts of pig
27. Rare, medium, \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_, and well-done
28. Use \_\_\_\_ to help the get the charcoal burning - just be careful!



Email your answers to the Editor, Roxanne Clapp, at [Caroler@roxclapp.com](mailto:Caroler@roxclapp.com) before July 10. All that reply will have their name, along with the solution, posted in the next issue of *The Caroler*!

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

Charlie Ross  
Tom Shea  
Tara Fykes  
Tiffany Horstman  
Tracy Sas  
Jack Griffie

Linda Evans  
Anonymous  
Bill Koehler  
Judy Gray  
Malania Ordenez  
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### SOLUTION TO LAST MONTH'S RIDDLE

What is black when you get it,  
red when you use it,  
and white when you  
are through it?

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# History of Independence Day – The Torch of Freedom

The quote on Page 12 is an excerpt from John Adams' letter to his wife Abigail on July 3, 1776. The emotions of this sharp-witted founding father speak of the momentous occasion. Adams believed that July 2, 1776, would be the date to mark and celebrate forever our Declaration of Independence. Although the official date comes later, Americans have celebrated their country's birth date, and have followed Adams' advice ever since. Adams bore witness to, and was part of, the American dream for freedom. He was an example of how the new nation would carry on after the war by becoming our first vice-president, and our second president. Adams' eloquent words put the historical significance of American independence, and the consequence for failure if it was not achieved, into focus.

Although the Second Continental Congress made its decree for freedom on July 2, 1776, no one signed the Declaration of Independence. Congress did sign the Lee Resolution, named for Virginian Richard Henry Lee, on July 2. This resolution contained three parts: separation from the British Crown, a call to form foreign alliances, and a plan for confederation. Congress formally adopted the Declaration of Independence two days later, July 4, 1776, and the alarm for freedom was sounded at Independence Hall with the Liberty Bell. Americans rejoiced as word spread throughout the newly declared independent states. Although independence had been declared, delegates of the Continental Congress had not yet inked their signatures onto the document. On August 2, 1776, when most delegates signed the Declaration of Independence, it became official.

Unfortunately, Americans were getting good and bad news at the same time. British troops were making landfall in New York as the Liberty Bell rang in Philadelphia. At that point, American and British forces already had been engaged in armed conflict for fifteen months. On July 9, 1776, General George Washington, while concentrating troops in New York City, ordered the Declaration of Independence read aloud to his men. He hoped that they would find new meaning in the war for independence.

In 1777, the British occupied the capital city of Philadelphia while Washington and his men struggled through a brutal winter at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. Nearly two thousand of Washington's twelve thousand men died during that winter encampment. The Continental Army was hardened by the experience, and gained even greater resolve in the campaign to defeat the British. For the next four years, Americans would fight battle after battle against the mightiest military on earth.

Thanks to the military leadership of Washington, and the combined efforts of the French Navy and Washington's good friend and ally General Marquis de Lafayette, the British surrendered after the Siege of Yorktown on October 19, 1781. The fight for

independence was over. The Treaty of Paris, signed between the United States and Great Britain on September 3, 1783, made it official. The United States had become a sovereign and independent nation after six years of valor and sacrifice.

The struggle to keep the torch of freedom lit to this day can be seen as one walks through National Mall and Memorial Parks. Since the Revolutionary War, the United States has fought many wars to defend freedom; all have come at a terrible cost. Freedom rings as loudly today as it did at Independence Hall in Philadelphia on July 4, 1776, thanks to our determination as a nation and a people. This park is home to the memory of our nation's past, and we celebrate what Americans have achieved since the days of our founders. It is here that we honor the sacrifice of those lost in defense of freedom.

When one visits the World War II Memorial one finds the words "Here we mark the price of freedom" engraved in front of a wall of 4,048 gold stars. Each star represents one hundred Americans lost during the war. At the Korean War Veterans Memorial one finds the words "Freedom is not free," and at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial one finds the names of 58,261 lives honored for their courage, sacrifice, and devotion to duty and country. Abraham Lincoln is draped in the Stars and Stripes at the Lincoln Memorial. Not only did he preserve our flag during the American Civil War, his policies helped end slavery. Six-hundred and twenty thousand Americans, north and south, were lost during the most costly war in our history. The message becomes clear as visitors experience these memorials; freedom has come at a great cost.

As we celebrate our nation's birthday, the National Park Service will proudly carry on the words of John Adams—"Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more"—with a brilliant fireworks display. These illuminations will light up the sky of our nation's capital to inspire and remind us how fortunate we are to have the freedom that has been entrusted to us all.

## The Signers of the Declaration

The Declaration of Independence was adopted on July 4, 1776. Most of the delegates to the Second Continental Congress signed the document on August 2, 1776. By putting their names on this paper, these men risked losing everything if the British won the American Revolution. Even though the Americans won, some of these men suffered severely by supporting independence. You can find out more information about the Signers and the memorial to them within Constitution Gardens.