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Cotton Yarborough
skates his way to Team USA

See back page
for more



**OCs Most Patriotic Family:
The Thames Family!**

(pictured here with CCA President, Jim Powell
and CCA Parade Judge, Connie Thomas)

See more photos from the
4th of July on Pages 2, 8 & 9

Notice of Board Meetings

Monday, August 14, 2017

CRD Executive Meeting: 6 p.m. • CRD Regular Meeting: 6:30 p.m. • CCA: 7 p.m.

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by Jim Powell, CCA President



The CCA did not have a meeting in July as we always take this month off in preparation for our Fourth of July Celebration. It was another great event, special thanks to Neil Norden from our Board for coordinating everything! The Tampa Bay Water

Ski Show Team did another incredible show and really provided a great highlight to our event. Special thanks also go out to Burger Monger for their great contribution to our annual event, Whaley's for the wonderful barbecue, and to Neil Norden for

bringing plenty of Sparkling Ice for all! Please see the article on pages 8 and 9 for photos from the event as well as our Fourth of July parade most patriotic winners! 🇺🇸



Einstein's Advice to Better Learning

by Justin Pullaro, Certified Financial Planner™ and OC Resident

The month of August marks the painful/joyful transition to school (depending on your perspective as parent or child). While the busyness of back-to-school can provide families with a full plate, Jessica Stillman from Inc.com highlighted a letter from Albert Einstein to his 11-year old son, Hans Albert, encouraging him to learn. Here's what Papa Einstein had to say:

"I am very pleased that you find joy with the piano... mainly play the things on the piano which please you, even if the teacher does not assign those. That is the way to learn the most. When you are doing something with such enjoyment that you don't notice that the time passes."

A certified genius didn't demand extra homework practice for his kids. Einstein encouraged his kids to have fun and enjoy what they were learning – a helpful and often challenging reminder for families. It's certainly easier to "just get the work done." But that mentality stifles the very energy that activates faster and better learning.

And adults, Einstein's words apply to you as well (maybe even more so) because of our tendency to be static in our learning. Find opportunities to enjoy your activities.



No one said being a parent is easy. A new school year presents a multitude of challenges. But I am going to try to remember Einstein's words when my family starts in on new coursework and new classroom expectations. Have some fun. Einstein said so.

Cheers to your financial life! 🇺🇸



by Mark Snellgrove, CRD President

Grounds Chairman, Bill Lais, informed the Board at the June meeting that he would be stepping down and for the Board to begin looking for someone to replace him. So a public notice announcement was placed in the July *Caroler* and Paul Siddall was the only resident to attend the July meeting to apply. So, we say goodbye to Bill and welcome back Paul.



Let me say that Bill Lais' contribution to the Board cannot be overstated. He is a professional engineer and completely rewrote the scope of work and contract for the Community landscaping. The scope of work is an 11-page document and the contract is 28-pages with an annual budget of ~\$100,000. Bill also steered the Board into requiring that contractors

performing work for the District sign the CRD's contract for goods and services along with requiring a certificate of insurance.

In closing, kudos to Mr. Neil Norden on the CCA Board for another great July 4th community picnic. 🇺🇸

Pet Safety 5 second rule

Place the back of your hand on the pavement.
If it's too hot to hold your hand there, it's too hot for
your pet's paws.

Thank You! New Soccer Nets

by Jenni Coppola

Thank you for the new soccer nets! They have been used everyday!! Photos from a pick up game of dads and kids in July. 🇺🇸

Photos from a pick up game of dads and kids in July.
Pictured: Mark & Mookie Killen, Billy & Eli Aucoin, Ken & Adeline Habgood, and Jackson & Connor Thames.





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~ Laura and Erik Toerge



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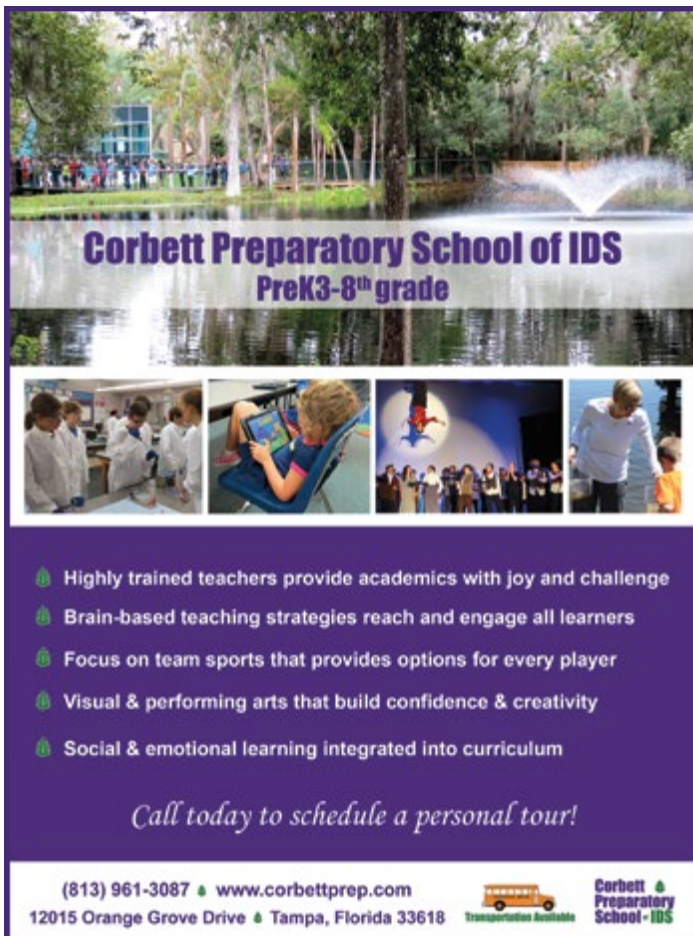
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White Sands Beach



Most Patriotic Kid Female:
Cassidy Sidell



Most Patriotic Kid Male Runner-up,
Russell Pellenbarg with Eric and
Alice Pellenbarg, and Gabby Meo.



Most Patriotic Kid Female Runner-up:
Riley Young



& the Ski Show



Most Patriotic Winners!

Most Patriotic Family:
Thames Family
Runner Up: Fonda Family

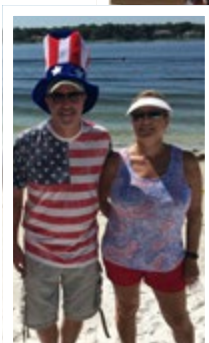
Most Patriotic Adult:
Male: Chip Wenchell
Runner-up: John Garvey
Female: Michelle Thames
Runner-up: Susie Garvey

Most Patriotic Kid
Male: Henery Johnston
Runner-up Russell Pellenbarg
Female: Kassidy Siddall
Runner-up: Riley Young

Photos by Frank Deak and Mark Tempest



Most Patriotic Family/Runner-up:
Fonda Family



Most Patriotic Adult Male:
Chip Wenchill

Thank you
to our Judges,
Connie Thomas and
Jory Ehrlich!



Most Patriotic Adult Female: Michelle Thames
(Center) with CCA President, Jim Powell (left)
and CCA Parade Judge, Connie Thomas (right)



OC REAL ESTATE REAL ESTATE - 101 OVERPRICING WITH A DIFFERENT TWIST

by
Wayne Wilson,
Realtor and
OC Resident
43 Years



On a given day last month, I found that four of the 11 homes listed For Sale had price reductions before they sold and were on the market between 73 and 250 days, while the other seven did not have to reduce their price and were under contract in 2-6 days. Overpricing your home doesn't get you more money. It simply delays the process and costs you more in maintenance expense, which also reduces your yield/profit.

As an example, the average mortgage for our area would be about \$1400, with taxes and insurance, it might equal \$1900 a month which you could be applying to your new home principal or investment accounts. Then there's pool service, which runs between \$50 and \$100 a month, plus yard service which would be between \$100 and \$150, and utilities at about \$300 a month. All of this adds up to about \$2,400 at a minimum not taking into account any possible repairs that might happen.

Let's say that there was a house on the market for nine months originally priced at \$367,500. If you take away

\$21,600 (9 months at \$2,400/month), it would be as though you priced it at \$345,900 and had a faster sale. However, this house has been reduced in price to \$335,000 which makes it's real selling value now at \$313,400 (\$335,000- \$21,600). The real value of this house is worth more than that, but it now has what I often refer to as "the disease." That means when a property is on the market for an extended period of time, people become leery of the home and avoid it. Plus, you have to deal with the annoyance of having to be continually preparing your house for showings.

Then there is the appraisal process. Even if you get an offer at an excessive high price, you still have to face the reality that the appraiser is going to come in and appraise your house at a lower value, usually resulting in you having to lower your price to complete the deal. Appraisers have many criteria to use, but there are three primary features that they follow. 1) The house should be in a one-mile radius. 2) The house should be plus or minus 10% in square footage. 3) They avoid using properties sold more than six months ago. Using these characteristics on the home above with Original Carrollwood sales our square footage price range would be high \$173.62, average \$158.36, low \$112.57.

When you evaluate your home ask yourself, has everything been upgraded over the past five years including paint, kitchen, bathrooms, A/C, water heater, roofs, etc., with top of the line products? If so, then your house may fall in the high number. If not, then you have to look lower. An average home is well maintained with some upgrades and in excellent condition but maybe some of the key items like A/C's have some years on them. Hopefully, your

Realtor can help you determine this and, hopefully, you will listen to the expert.

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	11511 Areca Rd	2,250	\$325,000
A	10312 Lake Carroll Way	1,416	\$229,000
A	10713 Lake Carroll Way	1,650	\$254,900
A	10713 Lake Carroll Way	1,650	\$260,000
A	11712 Lipsey Rd	3,624	\$599,000
A	3303 McFarland Rd	2,655	\$549,000
A	10603 Orange Grove Dr	2,138	\$349,900
A	3516 Nakora Dr	1,740	\$289,400
A	3316 Valencia Rd	1,464	\$260,000
P	10506 Carrollview Dr	3,427	\$524,900
P	10915 Juniperus Pl	1,996	\$295,000
P	3313 Korina Ln	1,783	\$299,900
P	10506 Orange Grove Ct	1,865	\$300,000
P	11412 Paldao Rd	2,050	\$340,000
P	2811 Samara Dr	3,411	\$797,000
S	10904 Bent Tree Pl	2,601	\$400,000
S	10903 Juniperus Pl	1,882	\$335,000
S	3306 Korina Ln	1,374	\$198,000
S	3305 Lacewood Rd	1,648	\$345,000
S	3304 Latania Dr	3,946	\$628,500
S	11404 Lipsey Rd	2,264	\$360,000
S	3309 McFarland Rd	2,366	\$385,000
S	3003 Sabal Rd	2,108	\$366,000

Democratic Women's Club

Hillsborough County Democratic Women's Club will meet Monday, August 7, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Jimmie B. Keel Regional Public Library on Ehrlich Road. The public is welcome. There will be legislative updates and discussion of the coming state convention. Call Lula Dovi, 932-6944, for further information.

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puzzle OF the month



Email your answer to the Editor at Caroler@roxc.graphics before August 10. All that reply will have their name, along with the solution, posted in the September issue of *The Caroler*!

Given the information below, can you determine who painted what and who won?

At a recent painting competition, Eileen's rendition of a *Constable* was not last.

Jenny only just managed to avoid last place and came third.

The lady who painted a *Monet* was very successful and took first place.

Ada beat the lady who painted the *Taylor* and the lady who painted the *Van Gogh* beat Vera.

SOLUTION TO LAST MONTH'S MATCH UP

- Creation of the Waffle Cone - 1904 (d)
- Chocolate Ice Cream invented - 1665 (a)
- First known ice cream recipe - 1692 (b)
- Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough ice cream goes on sale - 1991 (e)
- The sundae was invented - 1890s (c)

Source: Buzzfeed

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

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Doug Norton
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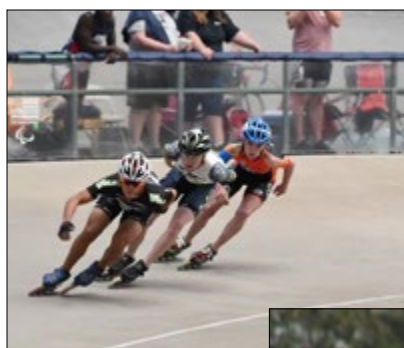
Cotton Yarborough

Eighteen year old Carrollwood resident, Cotton Yarborough, recently competed in Colorado Springs at the Olympic Training Center (OTC) in the Outdoor National Inline Speed Skating Championships. He competed for two long weeks at the OTC Velodrome track and on a road course to earn a Gold, Silver and Bronze medal in three separate events. This success made him one of only six skaters in the nation, in his age group, to qualify to represent his country on Team USA at the World Championships. The competition, in Nanjing China, begins in late August and lasts for three weeks.

Preparing for this competition, Cotton persevered from being lapped at local league meets for years, and only dreaming of getting on the podium, to being a team leader/co-captain and now a member of Team USA. While many of his friends and family were socializing and relaxing, Cotton could be found training on the track, in the gym, or on his bike. When he typed his

personal goals in 2013, his "dream goal" was to make Team USA. Who would have guessed four long years later he would actually achieve that goal? Nobody really, not his coaches, not his parents. Why? Because in 2013,

Cotton was still considered "heat meat" by the top skaters. A term used for a skater that pays his entry fees for races just to be lapped by the top skaters, basically, funding their medals. After many years of loses and a late growth spurt, his training finally



Cotton is 2nd in line. When motor pacing, they can maintain speeds over 30mph.

began to pay off. Over the past two years he has been solely focused on his two goals: School and skating. It is so exciting to see his dedication and hard work pay off!

Cotton was presented with the need to raise \$6500 for travel, training and coaches expenses with just an eight-week notice. All prayers and support shall be greatly appreciated.

The Yarborough's have lived in Original Carrollwood for 16 years and have raised three boys here. If you would like to support this positive and disciplined athlete to represent our country, check out his crowd funding page at www.youcaring.com/cottonteamusa

One-hundred percent of your donation goes to Cotton's travel expenses. The "YouCaring.com" website does not take a percentage of the donation; they make their money off of the advertisers, not the donators. Also, if you want a tax-deductible donation option through the team's 501(c), please contact his proud father, Bryan Yarborough, directly at bryan@glassdoc.net.



In 2014, Cotton wearing blue and white uniform, white skates and glasses – much smaller than his competitors.