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Kristin Nail

By John Schinka, CCA President

Our August Board meeting was productive as we outlined our social events for the rest of the year. Our local Boy Scout troop was in attendance, earning some merit badges and planning our luminaria production for this year.

Board member Kristin Nail presented plans for an updated “Newcomer” package for incoming residents and Board member Bryan Huls discussed our

approved permit for additional carp in Lake Carroll. VP Josh Shaffer also discussed a grant program that will allow us to replace some of the natural canopy of trees around the neighborhood. 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. 

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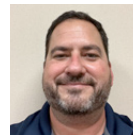
CRD News

By Mark Snellgrove, CRD President

I would like to recognize and thank longtime Board member Mike Carelli for his many years of service on the CRD Board. Mike has resigned his Board position but leaves behind a trail of accomplishments, most notably the 82% resident support for the passage of the OC tax referendum, having prepared and presented the long-term financial projections at our Community meetings. He also is responsible for restoration of the OC ballfield and the addition of lighting, new benches, and restoring the walking path.

So, 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 September Board meeting, as the vacancy will be filled through the appointment process.

Lastly, if you are new to our Community, stop by the business office to have your name added to the community directory, the guard service uses this for access to White Sands Beach. The directory is updated quarterly solely for the guard service. 



Mike Carelli

"Original Carrollwood will always hold a special place in my heart. I have enjoyed serving my neighborhood and having the opportunity to give back to the community that gave so much to me. I have so many memorable moments at the beach, on the lake, or in the parks. I have made lifelong friends. In addition, I have had the pleasure of serving on this board for many years."



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

A | "My home is a private oasis where I can forget about the outside world and enjoy my surroundings."

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

A | "The many parties and cookouts on my property. A lot of family and friends enjoying the property and amenities."

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

A | "I love to grill and smoke meats. We cook a large pig every year at my home for Christmas Eve. If you smell pork in the air, it's me :)"

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More information will be sent out for each event.

Have questions or need information about any of the social events? Email us at events@originalcarrollwood.com

Thank you,
CCA Social Committee

Friday Night at the Lake September 15

SEPTEMBER 15:

Friday Night at the Lake
White Sands Beach

OCTOBER 31:

OC Halloween Parade

NOVEMBER 3:

NovemberFest- Adult Only
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DECEMBER 2:

Movie on the Lawn
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DECEMBER 16:

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WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?

by Daniel Francis | Proud 10-year Original Carrollwood Resident who, with his wife, Alice, rakes the beach and opens/locks the gate each day

I first started writing articles in *The Caroler* when the COVID pandemic hit. Can you believe it's four years this December when the first confirmed cases began emerging in China? We were masking, vaccinating, distancing and disinfecting.

So, what have we learned (besides making sourdough, learning how to Zoom and subscribing to Netflix)?

Besides being a life coach, I work as Coordinator of Social Services for a 62 and older residence. I've been asking the folks who live there what the pandemic taught them. Among the more salient responses was this one: "COVID 19 was such a divider. It was a wedge between political parties, ideologies and even among families. So what I learned was to listen and not judge; to hear without needing to express my opinion. I learned not to have to be right or be the loudest or be the smartest. COVID taught me that relationships are the most important thing and I value other people- even if they hold vastly different ideas about life."

What are the good things about yourself that you have gleaned in the past four years? What life lessons have you been taught? For a glimpse into how I was "schooled" lately, read my book, *Class Is Always In Session* (<https://www.amazon.com/Class-Always-Session-Thoughts-Uncertain/dp/B09JYCP4SB>). 

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You can search for Original Carrollwood Civic Association on Facebook or visit this link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CarrollwoodCivic>

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

This data covers the middle of the State of Florida as reported by the Multiple Listing Service, Stellar which is used by all of the active Realtors in this area.

July June

Active Listings 38,412 39,167 down 2% from June

New Listings 18,415 19,833 down 7% from June

Pending Sales 18,754 19,235 down 3% from June

Listings Sold 14,832 17,207 down 14% from June

Days on Market 41 43 down 5% from June

Avg Sales Price \$451,726 \$466,154 down 3% from June

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OC Listings as of *The Caroler* deadline

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P	3310 Carib Rd	1,556	\$579,900
P	11726 Phoenix Cir	4,026	\$825,000
S	3320 Lacewood Rd	1,772	\$561,000
S	3412 Lacewood Rd	2,767	\$705,000
S	10323 Orange Grove Dr	2,268	\$685,500

While new listings decreased by 7% month-over-month, they are down 23% from last year. This is an indicator that people are becoming more stable. There is still an issue with people leaving certain metropolitan areas and coming to Florida in order to get away from some out-of-control conditions in some of our Northeast, mid-West, and Western States.

The number of units sold decreased by 14% and have declined year-over-year by 2%

Sales volume has also declined by 4% year-over-year and average days on the market has more than doubled since last year.

All of these indicators tend to create a model of stabilization in the industry. Obviously, with interest rates climbing through the ceiling, people are choosing not to get rid of their current low rates from the past couple years. And, while the FED continues to raise rates, manufacturers of building products have continued to increase their rates. Once new housing slows down, these products should begin to stabilize. However, it is not likely that housing costs will decline significantly along with everything else. 



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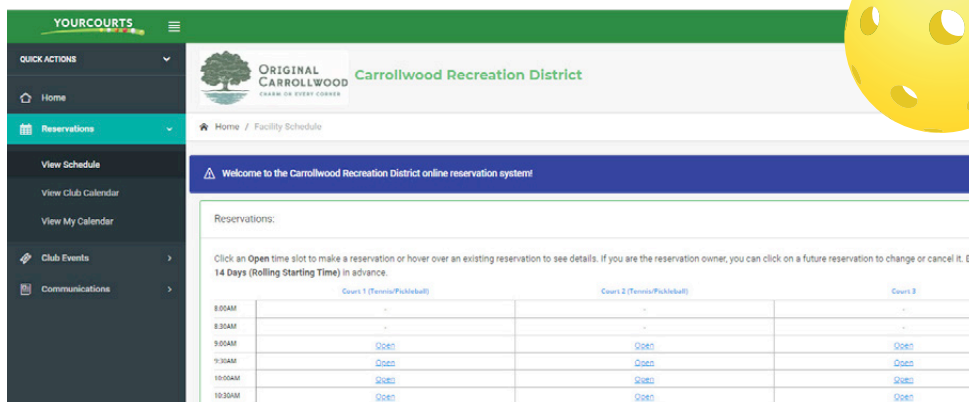
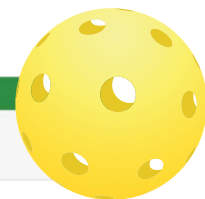
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Chamberlain High School Redefines Education with Innovative 3DE Curriculum: Preparing Students for a Lifetime of Success

Revolutionizing Traditional Education for a Future-Ready Generation

provided by Nancy Leach

Chamberlain High School has taken a monumental step toward transforming traditional education by pioneering the groundbreaking 3DE curriculum, a visionary initiative aimed at preparing students for a life of success in the modern world. With a growing number of successful Chamberlain graduates hailing from Carrollwood, this innovative curriculum was championed by the Chamberlain High School Legacy Alliance who recognized



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Photo courtesy of Nancy Leach

the need to meet the high educational expectations of the community. This transformation positions Chamberlain High School as an integral component of the new Carrollwood Elementary K-8 structure, providing a seamless and progressive educational journey for students.

Nearly half of the school's current enrollment is

actively engaged in the 3DE curriculum, catapulting Chamberlain High School to the forefront of educational innovation. Developed by Junior Achievement, 3DE, which stands for "Three Dimensional Education," is a revolutionary approach to high school education. It intertwines classroom learning with real-world experiences, fostering relevance, experiential learning, and a deep connection to the complexities of the contemporary world. This dynamic methodology bridges the gap between theoretical knowledge and the rapidly evolving demands of the modern economy, ensuring that students are exceptionally equipped to navigate the challenges of tomorrow.

The transformational journey that Chamberlain embarked upon four years ago, as one of the pioneering institutions within the Hillsborough County School District, has been spearheaded by a notable graduate, Steve Raney. As the CEO of Raymond James Bank, Raney's trailblazing spirit and commitment to innovation have played a pivotal role in reshaping Chamberlain High School's educational focus, highlighting the importance of entrepreneurship and forward-thinking ideals in shaping the leaders of tomorrow.


An impressive cornerstone of the 3DE curriculum is its proven track

record. Nationally, a remarkable 71% of 3DE students consistently outperform their peers, achieving proficient or above scores on state end-of-course assessments. This outstanding success showcases the program's ability to seamlessly integrate theoretical knowledge with practical skills, producing well-rounded and highly competent individuals.

Each academic year, up to one hundred and fifty freshmen embark on an enlightening journey that reshapes their educational experience. United as a cohesive cohort, these students journey together from their first day to graduation, guided by a dedicated team of teachers who are committed to nurturing a holistic growth mindset.

One of the distinctive features of the 3DE curriculum is its incorporation of real-world challenges presented by CEOs of major organizations. Every year, students are confronted with genuine issues faced by industry leaders, providing them with a unique opportunity to apply their learning to practical scenarios. These case challenges demand the demonstration of six core competencies, including critical and analytical thinking, and self-direction. This fosters a competitive spirit as teams strive to develop innovative solutions that not only impress but also address the intricate nuances of the business world.

In its inaugural year, a Chamberlain team achieved an extraordinary feat by clinching the national championship posed by Arby's. This victory not only underscores the effectiveness of the 3DE curriculum but also serves as a testament to the transformative power of an education system that is future-oriented and deeply connected to the world in which we live.

Chamberlain High School's enthusiastic adoption of the 3DE curriculum represents a bold stride toward preparing students for the opportunities and challenges that await them. By seamlessly intertwining classroom education with practical experiences, the school is cultivating a generation of young minds poised to create a meaningful impact in a rapidly evolving global economy. As other educational institutions take note of this pioneering approach, Chamberlain High School stands tall as a beacon of innovation, setting a precedent that is sure to inspire the future of education. 





PTA Board at Meet the Teacher



Carrollwood Elementary Opens as CARROLLWOOD K8!!

by Alexis Fruge

The year started off with visits from Sheriff Chronister, Superintendent Van Ayres, and School Board Member Nadia Combs. Media outlets interviewed parents and students as they were welcomed back on campus. This year, Carrollwood welcomes 30 new staff members in addition to adding 6th grade. The campus was buzzing with excitement all day as teachers met students, practiced routines, and new friendships were made. Carrollwood K8 has so many exciting events planned for the 23-24 school year including Bingo Nights, Back to School Bash, Hootiefest, and so much more. Thanks to the generous support of community members, PTSA, administration, families, and business sponsors, Newline Interactive Boards were installed in grades 3-5, with grades K-2 to follow. This year, the PTSA focus will be supporting the K8 model, teachers, and students. 



Our Principal- Mary Jo Stover, our AP-Christina Calve, and our Superintendent- Van Ayers



Superintendent Van Ayers with Sheriff Chad Cronister



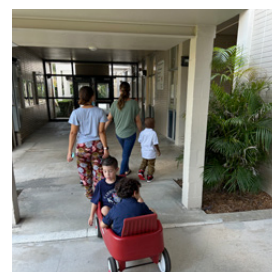
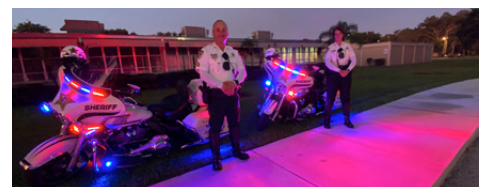
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Chris Farkas, Superintendent Van Ayers and media staff for HCPS



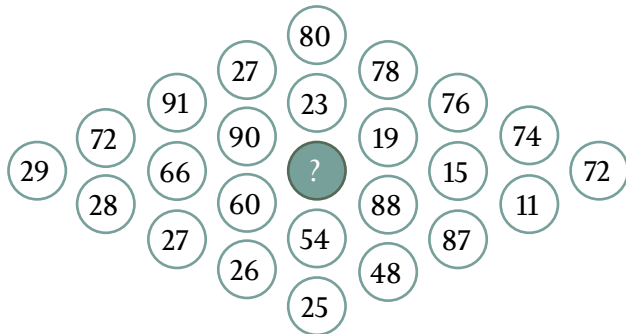
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DIRECTORY UPDATES MADE QUARTERLY

Keep current for access to White Sands Beach. The guard service will be given a new directory quarterly and all passes issued by the business office will expire. If you are new to the community or if your information needs to be updated, please complete the "update your directory info" form and email to Directory@OriginalCarrollwood.com. The quarterly updates will not be mailed out, but only utilized between the Business Office and the guard service. Please email Office@OriginalCarrollwoodCRD.com or call 813.932.1257 with questions.



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Has Something Changed In Your Home

A New Baby?

A Newcomer to OC?

Dropped a Land Line?

Marriage?

New Email Address?

UPDATE YOUR DIRECTORY INFO!

First/Last Name(s) _____

Children's (Optional) _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email #1 _____

Email #2 _____



The Abdoney Family



Can you tell us a little bit about your family?

"Hey neighbors! We are the Abdoney family. Joey, Courtney, Cooper (4) & Harvey (2). Both of us were born and raised in Tampa, we met at USF in 2011, Go Bulls! We have been married for 7 years. Before starting our family, we moved to OC in 2016, which is where I (Courtney) grew up on Nakora! We love being outside, in the pool, on the water and with our friends and family. Our boys are lucky to be at Lake Mag for preschool around the corner and soon Carrollwood K-8! Local sports are a family favorite too, so you will likely see Buccaneers, Bulls or Lightning flags on display."

How long have you lived in the neighborhood?

"Seven years this month! We are in our second home in OC."

Pictured above: Courtney, Cooper, Harvey and Joey Abdoney

What brought you to Original Carrollwood?

"Our first house on Picwood (seven doors down from my childhood home) was going to be listed; and, as we all know, neighbors talk, so my parents told us about it and timing worked out as we were looking to move out of our studio apartment in South Tampa! We knew this was a neighborhood we wanted to be in for the community. The amenities and school and family here made it a no brainer and we jumped at the opportunity. Raising our boys here has been fantastic, can't wait to continue making memories in OC!"

Where do you typically spend time around the neighborhood?

"Scotty Cooper Park & White Sands Beach are our favorite places to be. If we aren't riding bikes/scooters around the block, we are most likely at one of these fun spots where we meet up with neighbors and family often."

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