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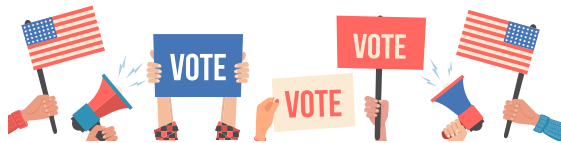
Adrienne Ening

By John Schinka, CCA President

Our April CCA Board meeting was well attended and full of information. In addition to our regular updates, we reflected on another great Easter egg hunt and a hugely successful neighborhood garage sale. Thank you to all the volunteers who make our events such a success!

As we approach the summer, be on the lookout for our social events to pick up, including our Friday Nights at White Sands. We are also planning our upcoming 4th of July parade and BBQ which is our biggest event of the year! Another great opportunity for our neighbors to share in food and fellowship.

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 at cca@originalcarrollwood.com. We look forward to providing more communication options for you in the future, stay tuned! 



CCA STANDARDS:

The CCA upholds guidelines that prohibit the placement of signs within our Community, maintaining a cohesive aesthetic. However, recognizing the significance of democratic processes, particularly during election periods, the CCA exercises flexibility in permitting temporary signage. Residents are allowed to display signs endorsing their preferred candidates but are reminded to adhere to community standards, refraining from any profanity or offensive language. It's expected that residents promptly remove these signs once the election concludes, ensuring the neighborhood promptly returns to its customary appearance.

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If you are a new resident, please contact Kristin Nail: kristinnail@originalcarrollwood.com

Email: cca@originalcarrollwood.com

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Matt Lavisky



Dr. Anna Brown



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Kevin Shidler

By Mark Snellgrove, CRD President

The community directory is now being updated quarterly for the guard service. If you are new to our Community or not currently in the directory, please visit Janet at the business office to be added. The directory is the only way for the guard to verify OC residency. The guard is following the procedure to compare the directory to the driver's license.



Most, if not all, OC residents appreciate the guard service; it is highly unusual for someone that can pay property taxes in our Community to be disrespectful, but it happens. I read last month a recent rant on the OC Community Facebook page, and was very happy to see all the positive comments from community members supporting the guard for doing his job. It was reported to me that a Sheriff's deputy was present and witnessed the exchange and was supporting the guards position in this matter. Again, thanks to everyone that provided support and positive comments, this is what makes OC great. 

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Madelyn Johannes was our Easter bunny this year and spent extra time taking pictures and hopping around.

We want to thank Sheriff Chad Chronister and the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office for sending over a deputy to help with the event and families crossing the road. It was a great family event and we look forward to next year. We couldn't have done this event without a great group of volunteers!

Thank you, CCA Social Committee



Special thanks Oasis Opportunities for joining us for the event. Thank you to Resident Allison McCoy

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OC REAL ESTATE

REAL ESTATE 101: New Contract Requirements mandated by the Courts

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



I've been in this business for almost 50 years and if there's one certainty, it is that there will be change. In my early days, we had a two-page document to take a listing contract. Now, we start with 13 pages and add to that depending upon the circumstances of the listing; just one example of change in the business.

So, now the most recent change handed down by the courts, has changed the policy for handling commissions. It appears courts have determined that having the sellers pay for all of the commission has driven the cost of Real Estate up so they are no longer allowing that to be the case. The seller will pay his part of the agreed upon commission to his/her listing agent and the buyer will pay a commission to the buyer's agent. Seems pretty reasonable and simple. But wait a minute. Is it really that simple.

There are some interesting

pros and cons to this plan. For example, in the past, agents didn't generally require a signed commitment from a potential buyer that they would buy only from them. They would develop a relationship with their client that generally rewarded the agent working with them. That was not always a good thing for the Realtor because occasionally the buyer would contact a Realtor to show them properties and when they found one, they would announce that they had a second aunt or 1st cousin in the business and they were going to have them draw up the contract and thereby stiff the showing agent of the commission. I had a recent experience to that very issue where a "potential buyer" upon finding a place that they liked informed me that they were longtime family friends with another Realtor and that they would use him to do the contract. I had no recourse.

BUYERS: That situation will now change. I foresee that Realtors will require a legal signed agreement by any prospect before showing them a house. If the buyer is shown a house that they want to buy, they will then be required to pay that commission to the initial agent with whom they signed the agreement even if they secretly choose to use their brother who has a license and lives in Miami.

OC Listings as of The Caroler deadline

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A	10511 Orange Grove Dr	1,401	\$524,900
A	10517 Orange Grove Dr	1,858	\$555,000
S	3317 Valencia Rd	2,337	\$515,000

As a Realtor I believe this is a positive change.

However, as a buyer there are other issues to deal with. Obviously, any commission that they have to pay out becomes part of their closing costs and will be added to those expenses by the mortgage company in evaluating their financial ability for that contract. This is no simple problem. I have had several buyers who were right on the edge of not being able to get a loan because of a few thousand dollars.

Then the question of how Open Houses will be handled. In all honesty, I only had one sale of an open house. Open houses benefit the Realtor more than the home owner. Realtors get many of their prospects through these open houses.

This article deals with buyer impacts. Next month, I'll try to look at things from the seller's perspective. Keep in mind, however, that this lawsuit was centered on the suggestion by the courts that having the seller pay all of the commissions was causing the housing market to be higher than what it should be. 

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The July issue will be printed and mailed to every OC residence!

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Have a 2024 graduate in the family?

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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. The quarterly updates will not be mailed out, but only utilized between the Business Office and the guard service.

Good Deeds

by Jared Jones

Abe Shaffer, Henry Zawacki, Hunter Jones, and Alec Zawacki did a good deed for Original Carrollwood.

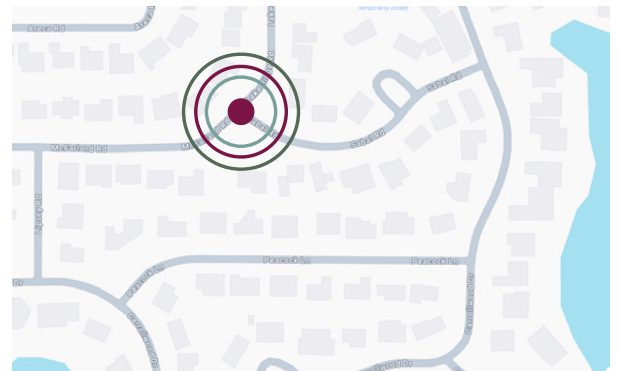



(Left to Right): Abe Shaffer, Henry Zawacki, Hunter Jones




Alec Zawacki

They bagged over 30 bags of leaves through several days as the sidewalk was becoming impassable for residents. It was at the intersection of McFarland & Sabal Road.



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Puzzle OF THE Month



Riddle Time!

I strut in silent splendor, a canvas unfurled,
A hundred eyes adorn me, though sightless to the world.
My voice, a discordant rasp, a cry both harsh and keen,
A serenade for shadows, on a moonlit, emerald scene.

My crown, a crest of jewels, mocks the king's own crown,
Each facet catching starlight, as I dance up and down.
My train, a tapestry of azure, emerald, gold,
Unveiled in shimmering splendor, a story to be told.

But touch this silken plumage, this whispered, woven dream,
And I vanish like a phantom, a fleeting, shimmering gleam.

Who am I?

Email your answers to Caroler@rox.com before May 10. All who reply will have their name posted in the next issue of *The Caroler*!

Find the
hidden peacock!

It may be bigger or smaller, or
a different shape or color.



happy
MOTHER'S DAY



**Congratulations
and thank you to last month's players!**

Marilynn Bozak
Tom Shea
Katherine Clapp

Last Month's Answers

Location of the hidden peacock in the previous issue:
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Answer to Last Month's Caroler Quiz Time:
The Earth

We salute our fallen and give thanks on this Memorial Day.

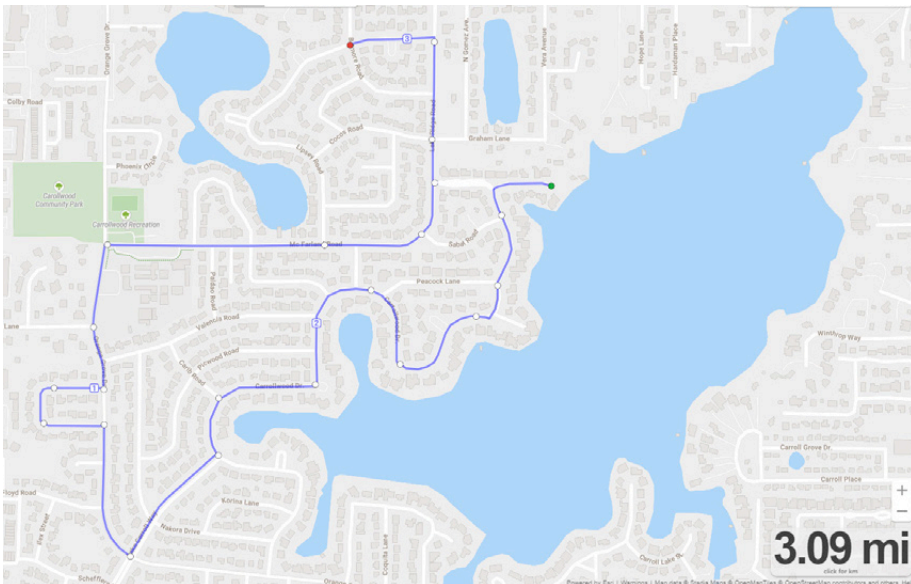


MAY 27 Memorial Day Walk & Flag Raising Ceremony

On Monday May 27, resident & veteran David Nowak will be starting his flag carry at 9 am from Belmore & Lipsey Rd. Please see the map for his route.

We encourage anyone to join the walk or come out and see them along the route.

Route finished at White Sands for flag raising by the Boy Scouts (estimated 9:50 am). After the service to have Flag Retirement done by the scouts. Residents can bring flags that need retirement.



Email us at events@originalcarrollwood.com with any questions.
Check our Facebook group and neighborhood emails for more information.
(www.facebook.com/groups/CarrollwoodCivic)



(to be updated with additional information/events)

Note: Kids Bike Rodeo at Original Carrollwood Park Postponed to autumn

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MAY 27 - 9AM
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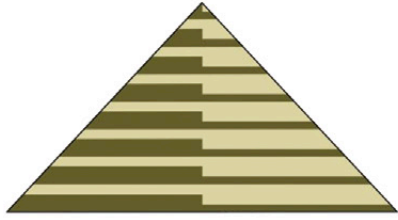
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Movie on the Lawn
Original Carrollwood Park

DECEMBER 21
Holiday Lights Boat Parade
Lake Carroll/White Sands Beach

DECEMBER 31
New Year's Eve Fireworks
White Sands Beach



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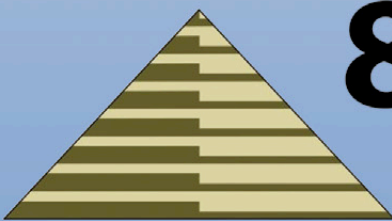
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