

Carrollwood Meadows Special District



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NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

On March 24th, several board members and officers attended the Office of Neighborhood Relations Annual Conference. While at the conference, they attended over a dozen different workshops, collected information from vendors and county services, shared ideas with other area association representatives, met some of the County Commissioners, and enjoyed a wonderful catered luncheon. The workshops and printed materials provided a great wealth of information that will be put to use in our community. A huge thank you to Barbara, Betty, Darlene, Dave, Elizabeth, Joan, Sandy and Vinnie for giving their time for the benefit of our neighborhood. This is the largest group we have ever sent to the conference.

Hopefully, all who participated in the spring garage sale traded a lot of unwanted items for a lot of cash. If you didn't have a sale, perhaps you got some great bargains. There seemed to be a steady flow of cars through the neighborhood.

The park benches that the mini-grant funds purchased have been delivered. If they haven't been installed by the time you read this, they will be soon. Several residents have volunteered to assemble and install the benches. The benches will be a welcome addition to the park. We are currently working on a tree grant to get shade trees for the park. The playground area for younger children does not have any trees, so it gets a little hot especially in the summer.

Next association meeting is April 12th at 7:30 pm in the park building. Come out and show your support. Meet some new friends and help us make this community a better place.

SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT NEWS

The tax district held their monthly meeting on March 14th, in the recreation building in the park. Bids for the lawn care contract were opened and discussed. Swanson's Lawn Care, our current provider, was chosen to continue doing our lawn care.

Petunias have been planted in front of the gazebo. With the mild winter we experienced, we didn't lose any poinsettias, but the flowers finally faded so it was time to replace them. Several of our seniors helped with removing the old plants.

The board discussed and was in favor of using a paving system at the front and side entrances to mark a designated crosswalk. Final approval is needed from the County before further action can be taken.

Signs have been ordered to be placed on the walls between Carrollwood Meadows and Carrollwood Lakes. These signs are replacing ones that had been on those walls since the wall was built. The walls will be power washed and possibly painted before the signs are installed.



Neighbors are like a jigsaw puzzle. When you first lay the pieces out, it doesn't make much sense. It's when you start to connect the pieces, you then begin to see how it all fits together.....
we are all a community!



The Young at Heart Seniors had a busy March. Each day of the week, they had a choice of activities in which to participate.

The stretch, tone and exercise class is very popular on Mondays and Wednesdays. Recently, they used a "Sit and Be Fit" DVD when the regular instructor wasn't available. The class is open to all adults.



During the month, they celebrated the 100th birthday of the OREO cookie, enjoyed some "March Madness," became Irish for the St. Patrick's Day party, and had an interesting guest speaker.

The recreation center is open each morning. Plans are in the works for starting a gardening club on Fridays. One of the projects they wish to tackle is replanting the butterfly garden in the park. The County recently removed the wooden fence in the roundabout area (the original butterfly garden) in front of the park building and installed a metal fence.

April's calendar for Tuesdays include an early Easter event, having lunch at Sickles High School, Tax Day Trivia, and our monthly guest speaker.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY



The Young at Heart Seniors had a belated St. Pat's Party on March 20th. They celebrated with a pot luck luncheon of various green foods and drinks. Many of the seniors came dressed in green and some even sported their favorite shillelagh. The recreation center looked fantastic with all the green decorations. There were some pretty creative decorators in the senior group. Minds were challenged by playing Irish trivia, followed by several lively rounds of BINGO. Thank you to all the wonderful cooks and bakers who brought delicious dishes to share.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES



It is that time of year when we would like to recognize our high school and college graduates. Please contact Sandy at 963-6159 to provide the details. Or you may email the community website at cmnatampa.com.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to ELLA ON HER SECOND BIRTHDAY!

Enjoy your special day!



Young At Heart St. Patrick's Party



SATURDAY IS SOCCER DAY

On Saturdays, an active group of soccer players meet in the park to have fun and improve their soccer skills. This group is open to high school students and older, beginner to pro. If interested, meet in the field at the park at 11:00 am, behind the recreation building. Look for the goals.

REPORTING PROBLEMS

Before calling one of the officers or board members, please try to resolve any issues you may be having with a neighbor. Report a problem after you have tried to work the situation out with your neighbor. Try a friendly approach and ask if there is something you can do to help them solve the problem. The officers and board members are volunteers, not paid employees of a management company. The majority of those who call with a complaint are usually not even members of the association. There is power in numbers and we would like to encourage all residents to support the association by joining (only \$12.00 a year that's less than 25 cents a week!), attend the bi-monthly meetings, and obey the deed restrictions. If you are unable to work out a satisfactory solution with your neighbor, then contact the association president at cmnatampa.com or call Dave at 963-6159.

YARD OF THE MONTH



Yard of the month is from Windlaff Ave. Beautifully done xeroscaped front yard. "A lot less grass to cut" and the yard shows nicely. The front showcases ornamental rocks, variety of plants and flowers along with trimmed bushes. Thank you for making Carrollwood Meadows a better place to live.



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Want to be a CMHA member?
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stamp and bring it to the next
CMHA meeting!

Meetings are held every other
month on the **2nd Thursday at
7:30 pm in the Carrollwood
Meadows Community Center
Building**, located at the end of
Farmington Rd. Non-members
are welcome too.

We encourage all residents, even
if you rent, to join CMHA. The
more members we have, the more
community activities we can plan!

Carrollwood Meadows Neighborhood Association Membership Application

Annual Dues: \$12.00 per household

Name(s): _____
(Up to 2 from a household)

Address: _____
Tampa, FL 33625

Daytime Phone _____

Evening Phone _____

Email _____
(providing your email address allows us to update you on important events and messages)

Date _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Mail to: CMHA P.O. Box 341363 Tampa, FL 33694

FREE For All Children in Carrollwood Meadows

Free space for the teens in
Carrollwood Meadows for services
such as babysitting, pet sitting,
lawn mowing, etc

Call Sandy at 963-6159 to have your
name and service added to the list.

The official website for
Carrollwood Meadows is
cmnatampa.com

If you have anything you would like to
submit to the site, please contact the
webmaster. Items will be added to the
website throughout the month and you
can contact the board/officers through
the website.

Important Phone Numbers

Emergencies (Fire, Police, Medical)	911
Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office.....	247-8200
Poison Control.....	1-800-222-1222
Animal Services.....	744-5660
Bilingual Assistance (Citizen Action Center).....	272-5900
Building/Fence Permits.....	272-5600
Code Enforcement.....	274-6600
County Dump.....	264-3816
Fish & Wildlife Dept.....	272-2516
Hillsborough School Board.....	272-4000
Hillsborough Tax Collector.....	635-5200
Hillsborough Water Dept.....	272-6680
Mosquito/Aquatic Weed Control.....	635-5400
Solid Waste Dept.....	272-5680

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