

Carrollwood Meadows Special District



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## FLAGPOLE DEDICATION

**YOU ARE INVITED ON  
JUNE 11TH AT 11:00 AM  
TO THE FLAGPOLE  
DEDICATION CEREMONY AT  
THE FRONT ENTRANCE BY  
THE GAZEBO.**

THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION RECEIVED FUNDS FROM HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY OFFICE OF NEIGHBORHOOD RELATIONS FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE FLAGPOLE, FLAG AND MESSAGE BOARDS.

SPECIAL GUESTS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND THE CEREMONY. THERE WILL BE SPECIAL MUSIC, AN INVOCATION, AND FLAG CEREMONY FOLLOWED BY A PICNIC IN THE PARK LOCATED AT THE END OF FARMINGTON.

WE WOULD LIKE TO HONOR THOSE WHO ARE CURRENTLY SERVING IN THE MILITARY OR HAVE SERVED IN THE PAST.

PLEASE CONTACT BETTY DABBS AT 963-7350 OR SEND AN EMAIL TO OUR WEBSITE TO ADD YOUR NAME OR THE NAME OF A FAMILY MEMBER TO THE LIST THAT WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE PROGRAM FOR THAT DAY.

A SMALLER FLAG WILL BE DEDICATED IN THEIR HONOR OR MEMORY AND WILL BE PLACED AROUND THE GAZEBO ON SPECIAL DAYS.

THIS IS A DAY TO SHOW OUR GRATITUDE AS A COMMUNITY TO OUR BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN WHO PUT THEIR LIVES IN DANGER TO SERVE OUR GREAT COUNTRY.

PLEASE RSVP BY JUNE 8TH TO LET US KNOW IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING THE CEREMONY AND PICNIC SO WE MAY PLAN ACCORDINGLY FOR FOOD.



## SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT NEWS

The board has been busy sprucing up the front and side entrances with additional plants and shrubs. Florida Friendly plants and shrubs were chosen for their tolerance to sun and dry conditions. Perennials were also chosen for their ability to return year after year. Soil samples were sent into the Florida Extension Service for evaluation and resulting recommendations for adding nutrients and fertilizer. The planting is being done by board members and volunteers to eliminate labor costs so more money could be spent on plants.

Lighting at the gazebo has been repaired. A traffic accident resulted in some damage to a corner of the gazebo planter box and the destruction of one of the spotlights. Both spotlights at the base of the gazebo and one in the center of the gazebo are operating again. Sod has been added in front of the gazebo to reduce the flower bed and add extra support to the spotlights.

Additional flowering shrubs were added to the side entrances to give them a new look. Florida Friendly plants were selected for these areas. The lights on the signs at the side entrances were checked recently and new lights were installed where needed. This is your community. Please do your part to keep it clean by not littering.

## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

The bi-monthly meeting of the association was held on April 14th in the community building in the park. BINGO was played before the meeting with several people winning prizes. There were some new faces at the meeting and they were warmly greeted. After old business was discussed, the majority of time was spent planning the Flag Dedication Event. Many wonderful ideas were shared. Look for more details in the June newsletter. A flyer will also be delivered to each home in early June with more information about the event.

The picnic in the park that will follow the dedication ceremony will include hot dogs, chips, drinks, and cake. We could use people to help with distributing the flyers door to door, setting up, clean up, grilling, serving, etc. If you would like to help with this event, please contact Betty Dabbs at 963-7350. Many hands make light work!

## DEED RESTRICTION UPDATE

The deed restriction committee made a drive through the community in April and notices have been sent out to residents whose properties could use some attention. If you have received a notice of violation, please take the necessary steps to bring your property into compliance. Your home is your most valuable asset and it is in your best interest to maintain it to keep up its value. If it is a rental property that has a violation, the property owner on record will be notified.

Some neighborhoods in Hillsborough County have deed restrictions that are over a hundred pages long and are very particular. Some of those restrictions dictate the type of mailbox you must have, the type of grass and landscaping you must have, the length of time your garage door can be left open, the type of vehicle you can leave parked on your driveway overnight, fines that can be imposed for weeds growing or mildew on sidewalks and walls. The deed restrictions here in Carrollwood Meadows are really just common sense ways to live and behave in a neighborhood. For example, if your fence is missing boards, replace them. And don't park your boat or trailer in front of your house. Issues that are code violations should be reported to County Code Enforcement at 274-6600. Deed restriction violations can be reported on our website [cmnatampa.com](http://cmnatampa.com).

### WANTED....GRADUATION INFORMATION

If you have a high school or college graduate, we would like that information in order to recognize them in the June newsletter. Please email information to the community website or by phone to Sandy Fredericks at 963-6159.

**Congratulations** to Dave Fredericks for placing second in the Tampa area Toastmasters' Speech Competition held at the John F. Germany Library. He delivered a speech on the tragedy of Florida having the most bicycle fatalities in the country and possible solutions.



# CGM SERVICES

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## People & Pets

by Leah Miller

**Featured: Karen Mierly**  
**Pet Dogs: Buffy and Benny**

Karen Mierly has lived in Carrollwood Meadows for three years and has been a Florida resident for four. Before this time she lived in California and was born and raised in Massachusetts. Karen is retired and loves to do outdoor activities. She enjoys the beach, pool, and aqua class at the YMCA. She also does volunteer work for a non-profit organization.

Karen's poodle, Buffy was given to her by her neighbors, Irwin and Marisol. Karen says she is so grateful for this because within a week her nine year old white, mini poodle, Lester died one night of a heart attack.

Karen rescued Benny from Animal Services. Benny was due to be put down the next day. The story on Benny as told by Karen is: A friend and Carrollwood Meadows resident, Peggy, who also works for Animal Services emailed a picture of a cute 4 lb. Chihuahua who was on his last day. She says, "Imagine my surprise when I went to see him. Yes, his head is a 4lb. Chihuahua, but the other 6 pounds is a Daschund!"

### **Pet Profiles: Buffy & Benny**

**Age:** 2&1/2 years (Benny), 1&1/2 years (Buffy)

**Favorite toys:** Which ever the other one is playing with.

**Favorite activities:** Going for walks, running around the yard-chasing each other, playing tug-of-war.

**Best features:** They both have great personalities, both are adorable. Benny's talent is chasing, and eating lizards. Buffy likes to go visit the neighbors.

*If you and your pet would like to be featured in People & Pets please email us at: [president@cmnatampa.com](mailto:president@cmnatampa.com) or call Leah at: 813-817-0473.*



April 2nd at 8th Annual Neighborhood Conference from left to right Joan Hoag, Vincent Deleso, Wanda Sloan (Conference Chairperson), Betty Dabbs, Barbara De Ieso, Sandy and Dave Fredericks.



County Administrator Michael Merrill giving thanks to Wanda Sloan for all her work making the Neighborhood Conference a success.



Mark Lanzillo and Dave Fredericks after competing in the Temple Terrace Strawberry Run.

## YARD OF THE MONTH



This lovely home on Country Court was recently landscaped using flowering plants and fresh mulch with a well maintained lawn.

## LEASH LAW

Several dogs have been seen wandering through Carrollwood Meadows without their owners. This is in violation of the County Leash Law. You may report it to Animal Services at 744-5660. If the dog is picked up by Animal Control, you may have to pay a fine to get you pet back.

Did you know that the leash law applies to cats, too? It is important that your cat be spayed or neutered if it is allowed to go outdoors. A pair of cats and their offspring can produce 470,000 cats in a seven year period. The Tampa Bay area has an exploding population of feral cats. Please be a responsible pet owner and do not contribute to this growing problem.

To contact the homeowners' board, call Betty at 963-7350 or email [betty3@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:betty3@tampabay.rr.com).

Want to be a CMHA member?  
Simply fill out this application and  
mail it in. Or, better yet, save a  
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

**Kelly Ohlman** - Red Cross Certified  
Baby Sitter 546-6598 (16 years old)  
She also does pet sitting.

**Nicole**- Baby sitting, pet sitting and  
housecleaning. 968-3765.

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

<b>Emergencies (Fire, Police, Medical)</b> .....	<b>911</b>
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.....	554-5025
Solid Waste Dept.....	272-5680

## Community Contact Information:

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