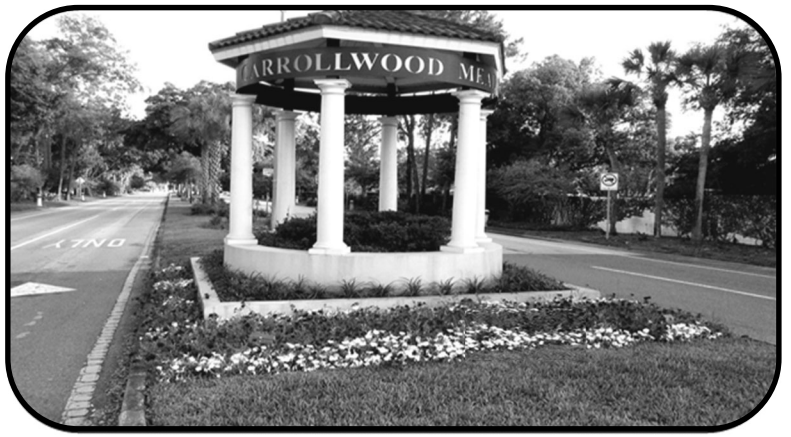




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TAX BOARD UPDATE

The tax board met in July to discuss the proposed budget for fiscal year 2027. They agreed there was no need to raise the assessment rate, which remains at \$100.00 a year per property, since there were no upcoming major projects. The meeting was open to the public and no residents attended. The budget passed with no changes and has been submitted to Mary Mahoney at Hillsborough County.

HOA UPDATE

The board did not meet in July.

President Fredericks and granddaughter decorated the front entrance for the fourth of July. It looked very patriotic with the American flags and bunting.

The board will meet in August to discuss the remainder of the year.

They will be looking into renting a different storage unit to save money. With moving into a different unit, they will be able to get rid of older items and organize things better.



To understand AI and how it relates to tools like ChatGPT, it helps to break it down into two concepts: what AI actually is and how search is changing.

1. What is AI? (The Simple Explanation)

Think of **Artificial Intelligence (AI)** as teaching a computer how to recognize patterns and make smart guesses, similar to how a human learns.

Instead of a programmer writing a rigid instruction manual for every single scenario, they show the computer millions of examples. Over time, the computer figures out the "rules" on its own.

Traditional AI: This is reactive. It looks at existing data and makes a decision based on a strict task. For example, your email spam filter uses traditional AI to spot patterns in junk emails and block them, or Netflix uses it to suggest movies based on what you've already watched. It cannot create anything original.

Generative AI: This is the newer technology that powers tools like **ChatGPT**. Instead of just analyzing data, it learns the patterns of human language or art so well that it can generate brand new content—like writing an essay, writing a recipe, or drawing a picture from scratch.

2. Types of Search Engines (Old vs. New)

When you look for information online, the tools you use generally fall into two different categories.

- Traditional Search Engines (The "Librarians")
- Examples: Google, Bing, Yahoo.

How they work: Think of these as incredibly fast librarians. When you type in a phrase, they search a massive index of the entire internet, look for matching keywords, and hand you a long list of links to websites.

The User's Job: You have to click into those separate websites, read through them, and piece together the answer yourself.

AI Answer Engines / Conversational AI (The "Experts")

Examples: ChatGPT, Claude, Perplexity.

How they work: Instead of giving you a list of websites to read, these tools act like a knowledgeable friend or expert you are chatting with. They have already "read" billions of pages of text. When you ask them a question, they process your intent and instantly write a single, **cohesive, personalized summary** directly in the chat window.

The Key Difference: ChatGPT doesn't technically "search" the internet in the traditional sense; it uses statistical probabilities to predict the next best word to answer your prompt.

A
bad neighbor is
a misfortune, as
much as a good
one is a great
blessing.

-Hesiod

via www.unknownmami.com

2026-2027 Student Academic Calendar
School Board Approval 6/17/2025
Updated 3/24/26

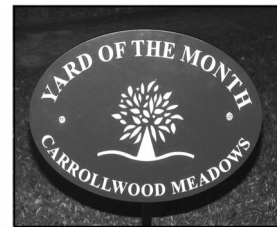
Students' First Day of School	Monday, August 10, 2026
Labor Day/Non-Student Day	Monday, September 7, 2026
End of 1st Grading Period	Friday, October 9, 2026
Non-Student Day	Monday, October 12, 2026
Veterans Day/Non-Student Day	Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Fall Break/Non-Student Days	Monday, November 23 - Friday, November 27, 2026
Students Return to School	Monday, November 30, 2026
End of 2nd Grading Period/1st Semester	Friday, December 18, 2026
Winter Break/Non-Student Days	Monday, December 21, 2026 - Friday, January 1, 2027
Non-Student Day	Monday, January 4, 2027
Students Return to School	Tuesday, January 5, 2027
Martin Luther King, Jr./Non-Student Day	Monday, January 18, 2027
Florida State Fair/Non-Student Day	Friday, February 12, 2027
Presidents' Day/Non-Student Day	Monday, February 15, 2027
Strawberry Festival/Non-Student Day	Monday, March 8, 2027*
End of 3rd Grading Period	Friday, March 12, 2027
Spring Break/Non-Student Days	Monday, March 22 - Friday, March 26, 2027
Non-Student Day	Monday, March 29, 2027
Students Return to School	Tuesday, March 30, 2027
Non-Student Day	Friday, April 16, 2027
Last Day of School End of 4th Grading Period/2nd Semester	Friday, May 28, 2027

Tentative Hurricane Make-Up Day(s) if needed: October 12, November 11, November 23-25, January 4.

Student Early Release Day schedule has not been finalized.

The last day of school is a 2.5-hour early release.

*Strawberry Festival/Non-Student Day changed from 3/1/27 to 3/8/27 to coincide with the dates of the Strawberry Festival.



This home on Headland Hills is yard of the month for August and has one of the best kept lawns in Carrollwood Meadows!

Eye catching palm tree island and other foliage makes this yard shine in the Meadows!! Keep up the great work and congratulations

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU WALK FOR AN HOUR

- After 2 minutes-blood starts flowing faster, waking up your muscles and brain.
- After 5 minutes-heart rate picks up, boosting circulation and oxygen supply.
- After 10 minutes-joints loosen, stiffness fades and mood starts lifting.
- After 15 minutes-your body burns fat for energy, stress begins to drop.
- After 30 minutes-endorphins kick in, improving mood and lowering anxiety.
- After 45 minutes-blood pressure and cholesterol levels start improving.
- After 60 minutes-body shifts into fat burning mode, metabolism stays elevated for hours.

When you have a friend who is going through a personal storm, instead of being the weatherman and spreading the news, try being an umbrella and cover them with love. From the trend home

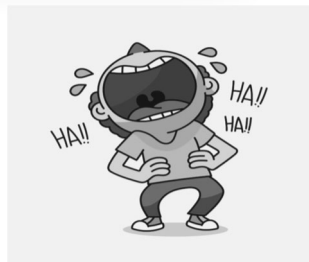
In traditional printing, capital letters were stored in an upper case above the small letters' lower case, leading to the terms "uppercase" and "lower case." From Unbelievable Facts

You know you're a parent when going to the grocery store by yourself feels like a vacation. And going on a family vacation feels like work!

PRO TIP:

If your house is a mess, go outside. It won't bother you out there!

I'll never be okay with donut shops cutting a hole in my donut and then charging me separately for the same hole they robbed me out of.



FUNNY AND STRANGE SIGNS

Stealing someone's coffee is called mugging.

Pasteurize: too far to see.

Whoever invented "knock-knock" jokes should get a no-bell prize.

The other day I held the door open for a clown. It was a nice jester.

No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.

Energizer Bunny arrested: charged with battery.

I put my grandma on speed dial. I call that Instagram.

THINGS TO MAKE YOU SMILE

A hacker called me and said he had all my passwords. I got pen and paper and said "Thank you, what are they?"

An invisible man married an invisible woman. I don't know what they saw in each other...Plus their kids were nothing to look at either!

Be the reason someone smiles today!

Don't give up on your dreams. If cauliflower can be pizza and zucchini can be noodles, you too can be anything you want.

The real luxuries in this life are not diamonds and fine wine...The real luxuries are time to do what you want, the peace of mind to focus on it, the health to enjoy it, and a family full of loved ones to share your life with.

I heard the more colorful your salad is, the better it is for you...so I replaced my croutons with M&M's.



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Carrollwood Meadows Neighborhood Association Membership Application Annual Dues: \$25.00 per household

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

Address: _____
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Daytime Phone _____

Evening Phone _____

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

Date _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

We now offer 2 ways to pay your annual dues payment. Writing a check to the P.O. Box 341363 Tampa 33694 or pay online by going to the website cmnatampa.com and click on the link to pay your dues. The path is <https://cmnatampa-annual-dues-paym.cheddarup.com>.

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
Park Building Rental	635-3500
Solid Waste Dept.....	272-5680
Voter Registration.....	272-5850

Want to be a CMNA member? Simply fill out this application and mail it in.

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



AUGUST 22 / 7:30 P.M.
AUGUST 23 / 2 P.M.
\$5 tickets!

Before Skynet and the Clone Wars, Karel Capek's R.U.R. (Rossum's Universal Robots) was written prior to the existence of the sci-fi melodrama genre. Find out what happens when robots replace tasks that humans consider menial in this staged reading.



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