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The THOA Board of Directors continues to monitor the corona virus situation while taking into account the social distancing recommendations from state and local government entities. Consequently, the January Board of Directors meeting will be conducted using the ZOOM video conferencing forum. Members may find a link to the meeting and further information at: Tuscawilla.org. There will be no December meeting.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Holidays! It is hard to believe that the end of yet another year approaches. It has been a crazy year but the Tuscawilla community has much to be thankful for. As the COVID crises appears to be re-surfing, I hope that you all had a safe, enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday with family & friends.

YOUR TUSCAWILLA HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION AT WORK

Within this issue of *Tuscawilla Today* you will find pictures and notes from the November 16th Winter Springs City Commission meeting. During this eventful evening, two new City Commissioners (Matt Benton & Rob Elliott) were sworn in for their first term in office and our own Tuscawilla resident Ted Johnson was sworn in for the second time. The election results appeared to be a continued trend to remove developers or real estate professionals from the City Commission.

After the swearing in ceremonies, I was proud to represent your Tuscawilla Home Owners Association by providing much needed funds toward the beautification of our community and the children of Winter Springs. In what has become an annual event, the THOA made a donation of \$1,500 to the "Shop With A Cop" program. Under the guidance of Officer Tracy Fugate of the Winter Springs Police Department, this program will once again provide Christmas presents to approximately 80 children in our city.

In addition to presents for children, your THOA made a donation of \$3,000 to offset the cost of replacement holiday decorations around our community. Holiday decorations and lights have long been a tradition around our grand fountains and each entrance to our community. For those unfamiliar; our fountains, medians along Winter Springs Boulevard and other common areas are maintained by the City. The funds for repairs and upkeep are derived from an additional property tax of \$120 per year paid by Tuscawilla homeowners. These funds are managed by the Tuscawilla Lighting & Beautification District Advisory Committee (TLBD) which is made up of Tuscawilla residents. Your THOA played a major role in the building of our fountains and continues to support this Committee in the execution of its duties when appropriate.

In a unique coincidence; the Winter Springs Police Department also formally introduced their new K-9 "Max"

to the Mayor, Commissioners and residents of our city at this same meeting. If you may recall; the THOA also made a major contribution towards the cost of this police dog earlier this year.

It is your Board of Directors belief that the long standing close relationship the THOA has with the City benefits all residents of the city and our property values. Your Board of Directors appreciates the trust you have placed in the volunteers that serve on the board. We sincerely hope that in addition to a full subscription to this publication, that you believe the annual dues of \$30 is a good value and a worthwhile investment in your community.

I believe I speak for the entire Board of Directors when I say: we consider it an honor to serve this community and wish you and your families the best during this holiday season!

Kevin McCann

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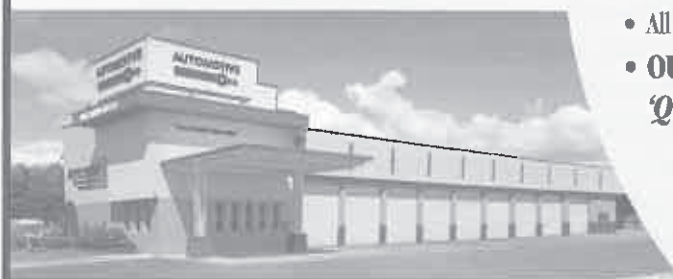
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EDITOR'S NOTES

CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS WINTER WONDERLAND OF LIGHTS

The City of Winter Springs will be presenting a Drive-Through event for viewing holiday lights and seeing Santa Clause at his workshop. The Winter Wonderland of Lights will be available at Central Winds Park on December 4th, 5th, 11th and 12th. This is a new alternative to the previous year's celebrations at the Town Center but be assured that you will not be disappointed. See page 13 for details.

MAKE A DONATION

There are still opportunities to make contributions to local charitable causes. Arnie Nussbaum holds the Guardian ad Litem "Secret Santa Program" each year. Consider donating unwrapped toys or gift cards. The deadline is December 9th. The WSPD is accepting unwrapped gifts at their headquarter lobby. The deadline is December 18th. See the advertisements on Page 9 and Page 15 for details.

MEET KAREN THOMPSON

I was informed by THOA member Sherry Reeves that we have a very "special" resident here in Tuscahill. Karen Thompson is in her 16th year as a parent volunteer and the Volunteer Chair for the Central Florida Chapter of Autism Speaks, an international non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of families affected by autism through advocacy, scientific research, awareness and family services. She also contributes her

time at the Arnold Palmer Medical Center in Orlando, Florida where she has been a Patient Pal in the Child Life Department for the past 15 years and has served both on the Volunteer Council and the Family Advisory Committee. Please see page 6 and read more about this amazing person.



CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS NOVEMBER 16TH MEETING

As a result of the November 3rd General Election, the City of Winter Springs will have two new Commissioners and one returning Commissioner. Other events that occurred during this meeting included contributions made by the THOA for Shop-With-A-Cop and new holiday decorations. The WSPD received a contribution from Zechariah Cartwright and the Running 4 Heroes, Inc. See page 9 for the complete story.

CONGRATULATIONS TO HOMETOWN HERO ROBERT GILBERT

This year's City of Winter Springs "Hometown Hero" is Robert "Bob" Gilbert. Mr. Gilbert was recognized at the Veterans Day Tribute held on November 11th at City Hall. Mr. Gilbert served in the United States Army from 1962-1984. Please see page for more information about the ceremony and the impressive service of Bob Gilbert. Please visit Page 11.

WWII VETERAN AND HOMETOWN HERO EMIL ABRAHAMIAN PASSES

Emil Abrahamian was a longtime resident of the Tuscahill Community who has sadly passed away. Mr. Abrahamian was 94 years old at the time of his death. His was an example of a life well lived with experiences that included working in his father's pool hall, joining the army at the age of 18, working in industry and being an artist/cartoonist. He was a husband, father and grandfather. Emil Abrahamian was the City of Winter Springs "Hometown Hero" in 2019.

PROTECT OUR WASTE PRO WORKERS

The holiday season will result in increased garbage and recycle items. Due to the COVID-19 virus spread, the Waste Pro Company has requested that our citizens exercise additional precautions so as to protect their workers from becoming sick. Please see page 15 for recommendations that will keep these workers safe as they gather your garbage and recycle items.

THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

December got its name from the Latin word decem for 10 because it was originally the tenth month of the year in the Roman calendar. December is the last of seven months that have a length of 31 days. National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day is December 18th. The first day of winter begins on December 21st. Most importantly, December 31st is New Year's Eve and the end of 2020!

Have a safe and happy Holiday Season.

Ted Johnson

Editor, *Tuscahill Today*

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MEET KAREN THOMPSON

I realize that this article is supposed to be about a “Special Person,” and I am sincerely humbled that someone considered me “special” enough to be the subject of this article. I don’t consider myself to be a special person. I consider myself a fortunate person who has come across special opportunities to help others, and even more fortunate to be surrounded by special people to help me do so. I have had the incredible opportunity to devote my time to two causes that I love - one that I had expected to be doing as a parent, and one that I did not. For both, I have tried to embrace a simple philosophy that has helped me, and that I hope has been conveyed to and helpful to those I support: start where you are, use what you have, work as hard as you can, ask for and accept help when you need it, appreciate every success, no matter how big or small and give back - always give back. It doesn’t matter how fast you get there - what matters is the direction you’re going and what kind of person you want to be along the way. Easy to say, harder to do, but well worth the effort.

The activity I expected to be involved with - being a youth sports coach - seemed like a natural path after playing ball, along with my 4 brothers, from a very young age through great experience playing collegiate softball. I envisioned coaching my kids and relishing passing on the love of playing. The one I didn’t expect was being the Volunteer Chair for the Central Florida Chapter of Autism Speaks, a cause that I was drawn to after my daughter, Jessica, was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder at age 2. I have had the great privilege to do both - as a baseball coach to my son, Ben, now 21, from t-ball through his high school career at Oviedo High School, where I have remained an assistant coach for the last 6 years; and for the last 16 years as a volunteer with Autism Speaks, where I work to help my daughter Jessica, now 23, and myriad families like ours to confront the lifelong challenges of autism.

My work with Autism Speaks began when the organization had just been formed and was looking to start chapters around the country. I went to hear about their research initiatives and outreach programs to help families. They asked if anyone was interested in helping. Unbeknownst to me, I was the only one who raised my hand. After discovering that, and having a good, solid moment of trepidation about whether I could take on that responsibility, I am so grateful that I did.

Autism Speaks is a ground roots, volunteer-driven organization. With only one or two staff partners who do an amazing job covering several other markets in addition to Central Florida. Our volunteers have to wear several hats. I have been the walk chair for 16 years, but I am also

very fortunate to have done a lot of community outreach as well. When it became apparent that families did not have access to autism evaluations - because of a limited number of providers, associated costs or insurance issues, lengthy wait times for appointments, and sometimes even cultural issues - we partnered with Nemours Children’s Hospital and UCF CARD to address the problem. Setting up in Wal-Mart parking lots, county health offices, public libraries and other places, we have offered free autism screenings to families for the past several years. We have screened hundreds of families at no cost in an effort to get them the earliest possible answers and the earliest possible intervention.

I have also been able to do autism awareness and sensitivity trainings for a variety of groups - from kindergartners to high school students, local churches and synagogues, Arnold Palmer Hospital, and local attractions including Disney, Legoland, Orlando Science Center and Sea Life Aquarium. These are amazing opportunities to help the community have a better understanding of what autism is - and, in some cases, what it isn’t - so that we can engender compassion for and acceptance of individuals with autism. While I’m grateful for every training request, it is especially rewarding to do these with children - the earlier they can be made to understand their peers who have disabilities, the more likely they are to accept and support them.

My time as a baseball coach has had a particularly personal connection to the work I do with Autism Speaks. Having the chance to make a positive impact on a young person - in my case, high school baseball players - is an absolute privilege. And using the baseball field as the world’s best classroom to teach life lessons is a gift. These boys are talented, motivated, hard-working athletes. And I hope that I’ve been able to help them get the best possible experience out of playing baseball. But more than that - having the good fortune of being part of an exceptional coaching staff who ensures that our players’ character and integrity exceed their batting averages and fielding percentages - I hope that I am preparing them to have a compassionate and accepting disposition, a healthy perspective, and a successful path that will allow them to give back to others along the way.

From the time I started coaching, Jessica has spent countless hours at the baseball field - in the stands for games, on weekends when I’m doing extra work with players, even helping me do my groundskeeping work on the field - giving her ample opportunity to interact with the players. For some of these boys, it is the first direct exposure they’ve had to a person with a disability. It is certainly a learning experience for them both.

The players have enthusiastically come to the Autism Speaks Walk for years as members of Team Jessica. Some of them have dressed as the Oviedo HS Lion mascot and interacted with guests. Some have volunteered in our kids’ activities area. At our very first walk event, my son Ben



walked proudly by his big sister's side, leading a thousand people around the walk route. They are a huge help and have a great time, but I do ask them all to do one thing in particular for me: at some point during the event, I want them to stop for one minute, to look around and truly notice the individuals and families affected by autism. I want them to understand the challenges these families face, to contrast that with an appreciation for the capabilities and opportunities they have been so fortunate to enjoy and/or have possibly taken for granted, and then to think about what they can do to make someone else's life a little better.

I love coaching. There is nothing more satisfying than helping someone to be successful at something they love. The same is true for my work with Autism Speaks. I love it. I always say that autism is the most fascinating thing I wish I knew nothing about. But through my experiences with my own family and with the myriad others I've met along the way, it became clear to me that we need support beyond our own efforts. We need the community to understand our challenges, to compassionately embrace and help us unleash the potential our loved ones possess, and to accept them for the wonderful people they are.

Family is my priority. Autism Speaks is my mission. Coaching baseball is my passion. How lucky am I that I can meld them all into the pursuit of one common goal -- trying to start a single ripple of kindness that hopefully develops into a tsunami of help, hope and compassion for others.

One of my favorite moments concerning Jessica:

It's hard to fully explain what it was like to watch Jessica walk across the stage at graduation. It was a milestone we

were told, literally when she was in pre-K, would never happen. We knew that they were trying to help us adjust our expectations, something we fight against all the time but realistically have to do as parents of a special needs child. Thinking about all that it took for her to get to that moment – the countless years of therapies, the countless meetings at school, the amazing teachers and assistants who helped her (regardless of what they were told they should or shouldn't do at those countless meetings), the incredible family that came to graduation after being a part of this journey from day 1, the graduating class who erupted in applause when Jessica walked across the stage, knowing how hard it was for her to get there because they had seen in firsthand all those years, and of course the indescribable courage and strength it took Jessica to combat every challenge autism through at her – it was simply euphoric.

Information on Autism Speaks:

Autism Speaks is an international 501(c)(3) dedicated to promoting solutions, across the spectrum and throughout the lifespan, for the needs of people with autism and their families. We do this through increasing global understanding and acceptance, advancing breakthroughs in autism research, expanding early childhood screening and intervention, improving the transition to adulthood and ensuring access to reliable information across the lifespan.

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CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS COMMISSION MEETING NOVEMBER 16th

This meeting represented a variety of events that impact our City, the Tusawilla Community, and the safety of one of our police officers. After months of being saturated with campaign information, the majority of our voters selected two new City Commissioners and re-elected a third incumbent Commissioner. Your THOA Board of Directors voted to present two checks to support the WSPD Shop-With-A-Cop program and to help pay for new holiday decorations that were purchased by the TLBD. Winter Springs' resident Zechariah Cartwright is the young man who founded Running 4 Heroes Inc. and he presented a K-9 Ballistic Vest for Officer "Max".

The evening began with an outstanding inauguration ceremony. Commissioner Matt Benton, Commissioner Rob Elliott, and Commissioner Ted Johnson were formally sworn in to serve in their respective roles. Mr. Benton is a longtime resident of the City and is a business owner. Mr. Elliott is a fraud investigator for an insurance company. Dr. Ted Johnson is a retired teacher and school administrator in addition to being editor of the Tusawilla Today Newsletter. All three commissioners are committed to serving our residents by listening and acting in the best interest of our city.

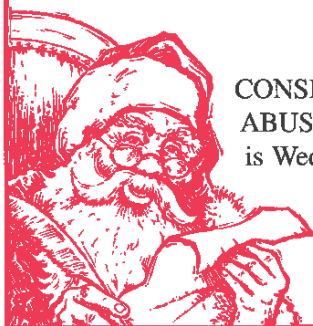
THOA President Kevin McCann presented two checks during the regular commission meeting. The first check was a contribution of \$1,500 to the Shop-With-A-Cop program that will help provide holiday gift items to needy children in our community. The program is designed to take children to a local store so that they can buy gifts for family members. This year, the Police Department, under the direction of Officer Tracy Fugate, will bring items to the children at their homes.

Another check for \$3,000 was presented by President Kevin McCann to the City of Winter Springs to help offset the cost of new holiday decorations for the Tusawilla Community. The Tusawilla Lighting and Beautification District Committee have already purchased the decorations with the help of the THOA.

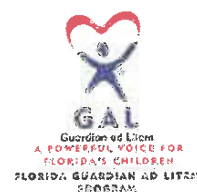
When Zechariah Cartwright became aware that Officer "Max" did not have a bullet proof vest, he immediately used the contributions from the Running 4 Heroes fund to purchase this protective gear. We appreciate this young man's continued support for families of fallen or injured First Responders. As of this date, Zechariah has run 333 miles for this amazing charity.

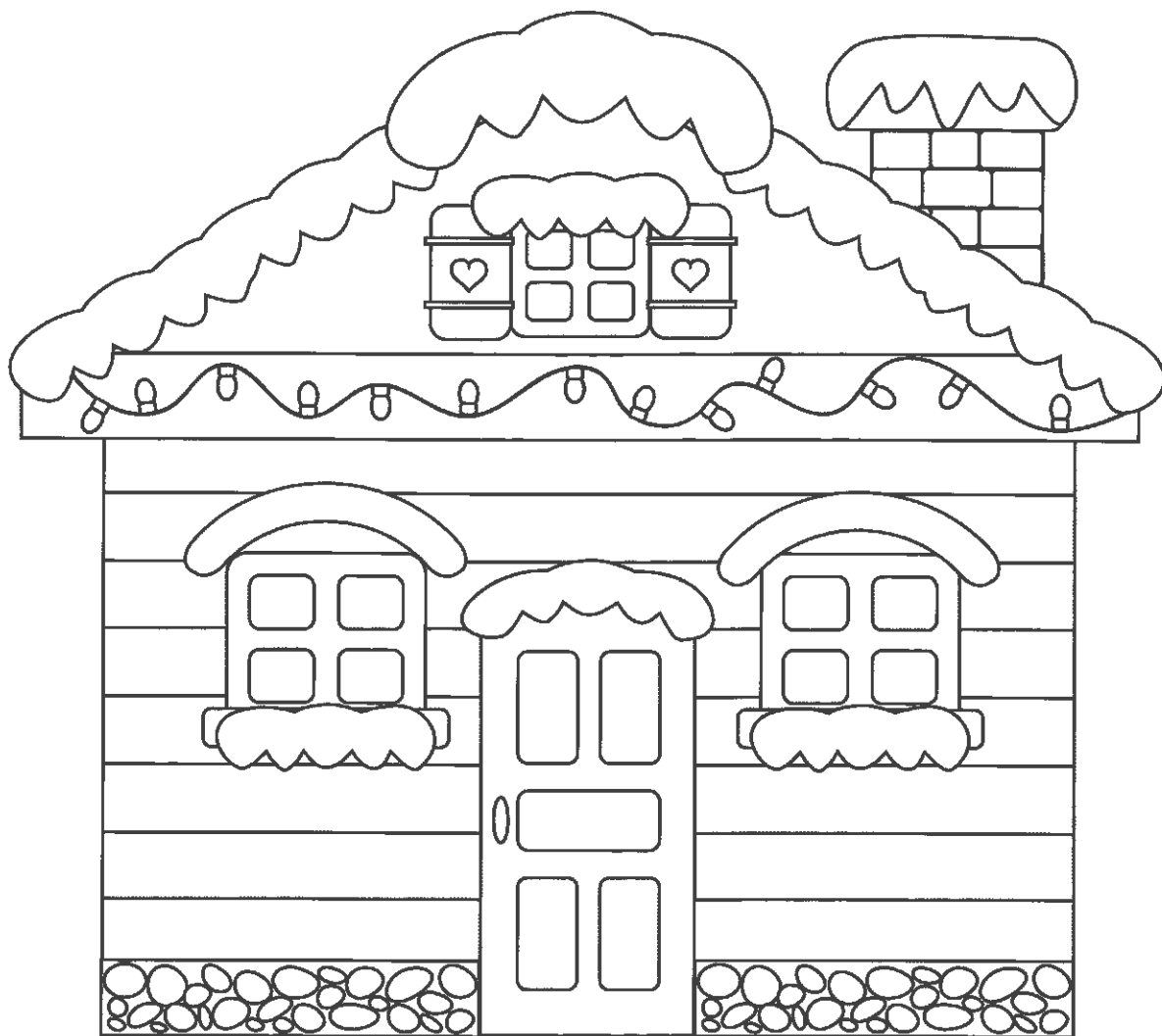


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This year's Veterans Day Event was once again hosted by the City of Winter Springs, the Winter Springs Rotary Club, and supported by the Winter Springs VFW Post 5405. The format was adjusted to a virtual platform and moved indoors due to COVID and weather concerns. Winter Springs' Master of Ceremonies and Tuscawilla resident Arnie Nussbaum did a masterful job of conducting the program and honoring the veterans who have served and continue to serve in our armed forces.

This year, the City of Winter Springs selected Robert "Bob" Gilbert as the 2020 Hometown Hero. Mr. Gilbert served in the United States Army, Army Reserve, and National Guard for 22 years from 1962-1984. He retired from service as a Major.

During his service, Bob completed 2 tours of duty in Vietnam. His first tour was with the 5th Special Forces group as a team commander and his second tour was with an infantry company as a commander in the 173rd Airborne Brigade.

While serving, Major Gilbert attended the Vietnamese airborne school and received his Vietnam Jump Wings. He received the Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal with a "V" for Valor, the Purple Heart, Army Achievement Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Combat Infantryman Badge. Congratulations Bob Gilbert for being selected as our "Hometown Hero" and THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

TUSCAWILLA RESIDENT EMIL ABRAHAMIAN



Friday, November 13 was indeed a very unlucky day for our Community. During the afternoon, I received a phone call from Raffi Abrahamian informing me that his father had passed away while in the hospital. Mr. Abrahamian was a longtime resident of the Tuscawilla Community who had recently lost his wife. As a WWII veteran and artist, Emil had made contributions through his art work to support a variety of military causes as well as political candidates. In addition to being named 2019 City of Winter Springs Hometown Hero, Mr. Abrahamian's art work is on display at the George W. Bush Presidential Library and archived at the United States Library of Congress.

Emil Abrahamian always maintained a great love for our country. In addition to being a devoted family man, he was a true patriot with a passion for freedom and liberty. The walls in his office had pictures of letters from U.S. Presidents, Senators, and acclaimed officials recognizing

his art work. He was a member of the Cartoonist Society and was personal friends with "Peanuts" cartoonist "Charlie" Schultz. Emil's cartoons were published in the Arab News English Language Daily. "Stumpy Stumbler" was perhaps the most popular character but Mr. Abrahamian also created "Space Shots", "Animal Chatter", "Impressions" and "The Spacers".

As a member of the Greatest Generation, Emil Abrahamian represented the character traits that are desperately needed in our current situation. Emil was honest and respected people of integrity. He recognized that our freedom comes at a high price and that there are members of our society who are threats to this cherished way of life. We can learn a great deal from the elder members of our community. Emil Abrahamian represents a group of amazing individuals who served our country well and will be missed as the "Greatest Generation" gradually passes away.



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As you may know, the general membership renewal period for the THOA runs from the 1st of January through the 31st of December each year. This year the THOA Board of Directors voted to keep the annual dues at \$30.00. For your convenience, you may pay online at www.tuscawilla.org. Given the current situation with the COVID-19 virus, our in-person community activities have been placed on hold. This has not, however, had an impact on the many functions performed by your Tuscawilla Homeowners Association. The following represents most but not all of the activities and community contributions performed by your organization during this past year:

- Sponsor for the Children's Free Lunch Program held at Dominick's Restaurant
- Sponsor for stocking the Indian Trails Middle School Food Pantry Program
- In collaboration with the Tuscawilla Lighting and Beautification District, the THOA has contributed to the purchase new holiday lighting at the entrances of our community
- Publication of 12 issues of the *Tuscawilla Today* magazine newsletter.

- Publication of the Tuscawilla Directory complete with vital information about our community and our city, the Tuscawilla community map, and the names and addresses of our residents.
- Provider of Free Tuscawilla License Plates and frames.
- Community support through financial contributions for Shop-with-a-Cop, along with other donations that support our families and local schools.
- Major contributor toward the purchase of a police dog for the WSPD
- Improvements to our local parks and common areas including benches.
- Board member participation and monitoring of city meetings and committee activities that impact the Tuscawilla community.

Please know that the THOA will once again host the Annual Family Fun Day, conduct community social events, and host guest speakers as soon as these gatherings are deemed to be safe. You will be receiving a THOA Dues Renewal Notice next month in the mail. You can return the card with your check payable to THOA or you can renew online at www.tuscawilla.org.

JANUARY IS "THOA DUES RENEWAL MONTH" FOR 2021


PLEASE BE SURE TO RENEW YOUR THOA MEMBERSHIP AND SUPPORT THIS VITAL ORGANIZATION!

HOLIDAY GIFT DONATIONS



Details


The Winter Springs Police Department would like to invite our community to donate new, unwrapped toys and gifts to local children in need during this holiday season! Donations can be dropped off at the Police Department (300 N. Moss Rd.) in the lobby until **December 18**.




Protect your trash/recycling workers from COVID-19

Based on current knowledge, we are not dealing with a true airborne hazard. Droplets fall quickly to the ground or other surfaces where they remain. Touching those surfaces and then touching one's face is the true risk and should be avoided. What are those surfaces? They could be anything. Therefore, our workers should assume that all surfaces could be contaminated by COVID-19. This includes the waste cart handles, truck body, door handles etc. Our workers are wearing gloves and washing and sanitizing their hands often to minimize the risk. At this time, we are not aware of any significant public health hazard from waste operations.

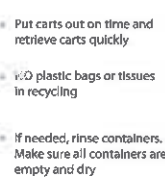
- Maintain social distance
- Carefully bag all waste
- Tie the bag closed




- Put all bags and recyclables into carts
- Keep lids on cart to avoid littering
- Place only program recyclables in your recycling carts or bins




- Put carts out on time and retrieve carts quickly
- NO plastic bags or tissues in recycling
- If needed, rinse containers. Make sure all containers are empty and dry





- Wipe down your carts, especially the handles and lids, once you place them at the curb



- NO medical sharps or syringes in recycling
- Place any medical sharps or syringes in a rigid plastic container, clearly label it "SHARPS," seal it tightly
- Put the container in the trash

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THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC SUGGESTIONS FOR BUYING A CHRISTMAS TREE

The first suggestion is to buy a freshly-cut tree from a reputable nursery or cut your own. There are a couple of locations near us that include Santa's Farm & Christmas Tree Forest in Eustis and Kelly's Christmas Trees in Orlando. The top selling Christmas trees, as reported by growers across the United States, are the Scotch pine, Douglas fir, white pine, and balsam fir. When shopping for your tree, go elsewhere if you see a lot of needles on the ground around the tree. To check a tree's freshness, pull your hand towards you along the branch. Needles should not fall off.

Once the tree is brought back to the house, saw a couple of inches off the bottom of the trunk before setting in water.

When a tree is cut, pitches oozes out and seals the pores. By cutting off the base, you open the pores and the tree will be able to absorb water. Keep in mind that a freshly-cut tree can consume a gallon of water in 24 hours. Always monitor the tree stand to assure that the water level remains above the tree base.

For safety reasons, always keep trees away from heating ducts or other heat sources. Some people add aspirin, Sprite, or sugar to the water to help the tree last longer. Take note that none of these methods have been scientifically proven to help prevent trees from drying out and becoming a potential hazard.

Santa's City Run



Santa is coming to Winter Springs!

2020 Dates: Monday, December 7 - Friday, December 11

Time: 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Each year Santa visits Winter Springs for one week and is escorted each night around the city by the

Winter Springs Police Department to spread candy and joy to the children and families who come outside to wave to him. On the big night, be sure to listen for the police sirens!

Routes have been updated this year to ensure Santa reaches everyone. Be sure to check the list below twice!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

Areas of Tuskawilla (north of Winter Springs Blvd.): Barclay Reserve, Barrington Estates, Southern Oaks and Integra 360

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

Areas of Tuskawilla (south of Winter Springs Blvd.): Amberly

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December 2nd

WS Planning and Zoning Board Meeting, 5:30

December 4th and 5th

WS Winter Wonderland at Central Winds Park, 7:00 - 9:00

December 7th

Pearl Harbor Day

December 10 & 11th

Santa's City Run in Tuskawilla

December 11th and 12th

WS Winter Wonderland at Central Winds Park, 7:00-9:00

Hanukkah Begins

December 12th

WS Shop-With-A-Cop

December 14th

WS Regular Commissioner's Meeting, 6:30

December 16th

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting, 5:30

December 18th

Hanukkah Ends

December 22nd

Code Enforcement Meeting, 5:30

December 25th

Christmas Day

News At A Glance

WINTER SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT CAC NOTICE

The WSPD Citizens Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for December 9th has been canceled. The meetings will be held again next year.

WSPD VEHICLE SAFETY MEASURES TO PREVENT THEFT

Practice TLC: Take out valuables, Lock your vehicle, and close your windows & sunroof. Take out valuables: If you can leave your valuables at home, do so. Otherwise, take your valuables with you rather than leaving them in your vehicle. If you have to leave them, place them in your trunk before arriving at your destination. Lock your vehicle: Verify that your vehicle is securely locked before leaving the area. Keyless or remote locking systems can malfunction from a low battery, leaving your vehicle vulnerable. Make sure it's locked! Check your remote locking and alarm activation devices batteries regularly. Close your windows & sunroofs: Windows and sunroofs allow a thief to access your vehicle quickly and quietly. Even a crack in the window makes a thief's job much easier. Verify that your windows are rolled up and the sunroof is closed before leaving the vehicle.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE....

**IN TUSCAWILLA WHO HAS
A SPECIAL HOBBY OR
INSIGHTFUL EXPERIENCE?
LET US KNOW AND WE WILL
BE GLAD TO RECOGNIZE
THEM IN A FUTURE ISSUE OF
TUSCAWILLA TODAY.**

We are blessed to have so many wonderful community members who represent a variety of talents and experiences to share with us. As editor of the Tuscawilla Today Newsletter, I have endeavored to highlight those individuals who have interesting hobbies and/or experiences that are enlightening. If you are aware of someone in our community that would be willing to share their "story" with us, please let me know and I will reach out to them.

Thank you, Ted.

I can be contacted at: tedjohnson1@live.com.

NEWCOMERS OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

The members of the Newcomers of Central Florida, Inc. are hosting a "Welcome Back" Luncheon on December 10th. This event was advertised in the November issue of *Tuscawilla Today*. We have received a notice that the organizers will be assessing the attendance numbers for the luncheon to determine future in-person events. More information will be available next month.

WASTE PRO HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Household garbage and yard trash collection services will not be provided on the following days:

1. Memorial Day
2. Independence Day
3. Labor Day
4. Thanksgiving Day
5. Christmas Day
6. New Year's Day

Recycling collection services will not be provided on the following days:

1. Memorial Day
2. Independence Day
3. Labor Day
4. Thanksgiving Day
5. Christmas Day
6. New Year's Day

Normal services will resume on the next regularly scheduled collection day.

Happy Holidays!

CLASSIFIED ADS

1. This section will only print if there are 2 or more ads submitted. Classified ads are **FREE** to **MEMBERS** of the THOA. There is a \$5.00 charge for non-members that must be submitted with the ad. When submitting, include your name, address & phone number. Ads must be 6 column lines or less and received by the 15th of the month. Ads received after the 15th will be placed in the following month's publication.
2. You may not advertise any **TYPE OF BUSINESS** in the classified section. This includes both the sale of goods and the provision of services on a regular basis to the public.
3. You may not advertise any **REAL ESTATE**, except for vacation rentals. There is a \$5.00 charge for both **members & non-members** that must be submitted with the ad.
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FOR SALE: Beautiful antique mahogany desk. 23"D x 44"W x 31"H. Photos available. Call 407-493-1657.

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You are responsible for providing additions or updates to your listing by the 15th of the month for the following months issue. E-mail them to Lisa@cponline.com. Please mark in the subject "THOA NL". We cannot take changes over the phone.

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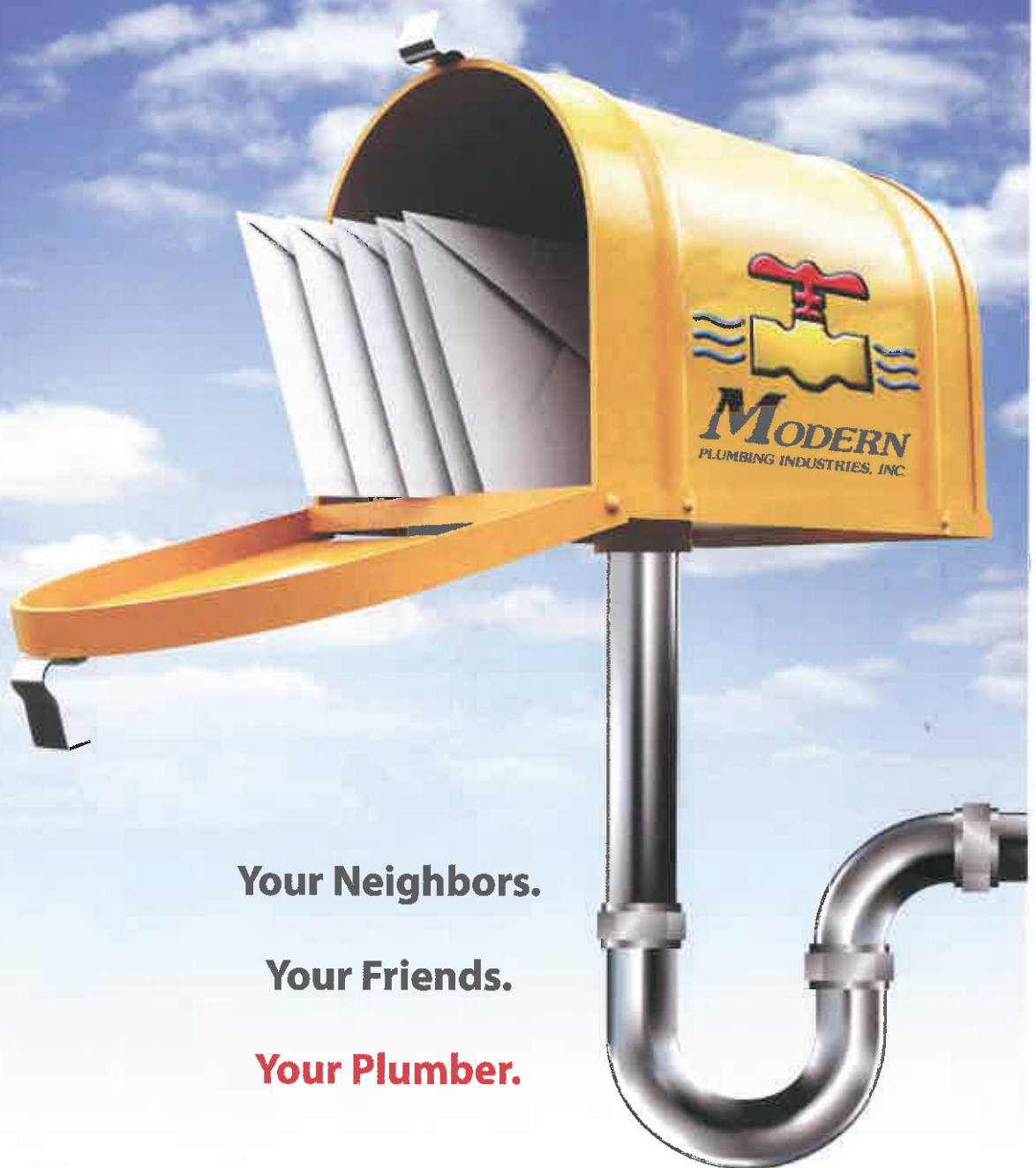
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