

CARROLLWOOD VILLAGE VOICE

*A Legacy Community
"Best of the Best" award from Hillsborough County*



A MESSAGE FROM SUZANNE AND LINDSEY

The holidays are here and the Village has never looked more beautiful. To boost your holiday spirits, walk or drive thru the neighborhoods after dark and enjoy the holiday displays. Be sure to stop into Fairway Townhomes and enjoy the holiday display.

As we reflect on 2019 much has been accomplished in the Village to work toward the "Best of the Best" of neighborhoods; new pickleball courts are being built at the soccer field, new street signs were installed thru out Phase II completing the refreshing of signage along the major thoroughfares, landscaping has been refreshed, pollinator gardens and a vegetation buffer around the ponds are a big step toward a more sustainable environment, the Welcome Committee members have welcomed over 100 new residents, and the new county park added a splash pad, incredible playground equipment and amphitheater.

All three Phases are working toward good stewardship of our natural resources as

well as fiscal strength to maintain the Village. Villagers came together to have a pond cleanup event and contributed to the food pantry as part of "Feeding Tampa Bay". 2019 was a very busy year and we look forward to 2020.

Your contributions to the Carrollwood Village Voice and questions are welcome. Please email us at communications@carrollwoodvillage.com. We would like to print articles in our Newsletter that reflect the opinions or ideas of our residents (please refrain from negative comments without a solution – we do not want this to be a place for airing complaints unless you have a solution). Take some time to put down your ideas down in writing and send to the email address listed above. When formulating your ideas/opinions, please keep the entire Village in your scope. We cannot address specific complaints at this email address. Here's to hearing more from our Villagers!

Happy Holidays!

Suzanne and Lindsey

COMMUNICATIONS RECAP

Looking back at this past year the Communications Committee feels as though we have made great strides in communication with our residents, keeping everyone in the know, and unifying the Village as a whole. Our newsletter continues to grow and flourish, and will continue to adapt to new forms of communication, such as video and social media. Our website was overhauled and has become an amazing source of direction for our community and for the committees that serve them.

As we head into 2020 we're looking forward to a more robust campaign, filled with video, professional photography, and simply communicating with the residents in the way they wish to be communicated with! It is going to be exciting to watch.



MAKING THE SECURITY AND SAFETY OF OUR VILLAGE A PRIORITY

I had the opportunity to sit down with Steve Shirley and his committee to discuss the evolution of security in our neighborhood. What I know for a fact about Steve is that he is dedicated to making sure our residents feel safe and secure to live, work, play, and raise their families here for years to come. As the dynamic of the Village changes, so will be the way we handle safety as a board. Working tirelessly with the county on sidewalks and roads, proper lighting, and traffic has kept Steve busy this past year. We have heard from many Phase 1 residents who appreciate the strides that have been made to decrease the speeding through our village, which our walkers and bike riders continue to appreciate. I asked Steve what he thought was the biggest issue we are currently facing when it

came to safety and he says by far, distracted drivers.

Distracted driving, such as texting or talking on mobile phones is on the rise. Many accidents have occurred in the past few months that could have easily been prevented. This topic continues to surface at our monthly meetings and how to potentially remedy this growing epidemic. There are many ideas that are floating around and being researched, but what everyone needs to know is that Steve is truly committed to making safety a priority and will give 100% towards making the necessary changes our residents desire.

Written by Lindsey Fowkes
of the Phase 1
Communications Committee



WHAT 3 THINGS CAN ALL VILLAGERS DO TO MAKE OUR VILLAGE SAFER?

- Drive the speed limit!
The maximum posted speed in the Village is 35 mph. In many areas of the Village the speed limit is reduced to 25 and 30 mph. If each of us would not exceed the posted speed the other drivers would be forced to slow down. Reducing speeding starts with each and every one of us.
- Secure our vehicles and do not leave valuables in the car. The thieves would quickly learn that spending time in the Village is a waste of their time!
- Keep your garage door down at all times ... even if you are home or working outside. The community patrol is noting how many garage doors are up at all times of the day and night! This is an invitation for thieves to help themselves especially at the residences where the door into the house is not locked or the car in the garage has valuables inside and it is not locked.

HAPPY 20TH BIRTHDAY - NEW YORK BAGEL CAFÉ AND CATERING!

Sunday, December 8, 2019 the Halkias family celebrated the 20th birthday of their opening. Three generations of their family including George's now adult sons, Thanasi & Demetri were there to celebrate with their neighbors and fans. Over 1 million bagels have been served since they opened in 1999. Hot-N-Ready home cooked dinners on Tuesday and Thursday nights are available as well. This is definitely a neighborhood place where George, Chris and staff know the customer's names and you are sure to see a neighbor. Frequently a neighbor will say "Let's meet at George's for a bagel and coffee and catch-up". Everything is fresh and delicious. George and family are long time homeowners in Carrollwood Village.

George wants to let everyone know how much he and his family appreciate their awesome customers and friends! New York Bagel Café and Catering is located at 4534 W Village Dr. at the corner of South Village Dr. and West Village Dr.



ARCHITECTURAL REVIW COMMITTEE REPORT PHASE I

A big thank you to all 83 Phase 1 homeowners who in January through November 2019 submitted requests to the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) for review of their exterior home projects. We very much appreciate your efforts and energy to improve your homes and to work within the ARC process. Those 83 requests in the first eleven months of 2019 are a record-breaking tally for Phase 1

ARC reviews, and we expect a handful to come in December. Here are the 2019 Jan-Nov requests: 23 new paint, 17 new roofs, 11 new or replacement fences, 8 new doors, and 7 new driveways and pavers.

Of special note, ARC reviewed 4 applications for new builds and/or additions. The remaining others were a few in each of these categories: landscape and tree removal, windows, solar panels, garage doors, gutters, pool, and hurricane shutters.

Again, thank you for working with us on the ARC!

Please visit the Phase 1 ARC page at-
<https://www.carrollwoodvillage.com/arc-form-phase-1/>

PHASE 1 LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Holiday greetings from the members of your Phase 1 Landscape Committee, Diana Rao, Jennifer Grebenshikoff & Kristine Glein.

We hope that as you have been driving around the streets of our Phase 1 community you have noticed and are enjoying the changes that have been made to the landscaping in our common areas.

In September the committee selected Fieldstone Landscape Services to take over all the maintenance of the common areas to include maintenance of sprinkler systems, pest control and maintenance of the proper soil quality to ensure our plantings thrive. We have been very impressed with the professionalism, resources and knowledge that this company has been providing.

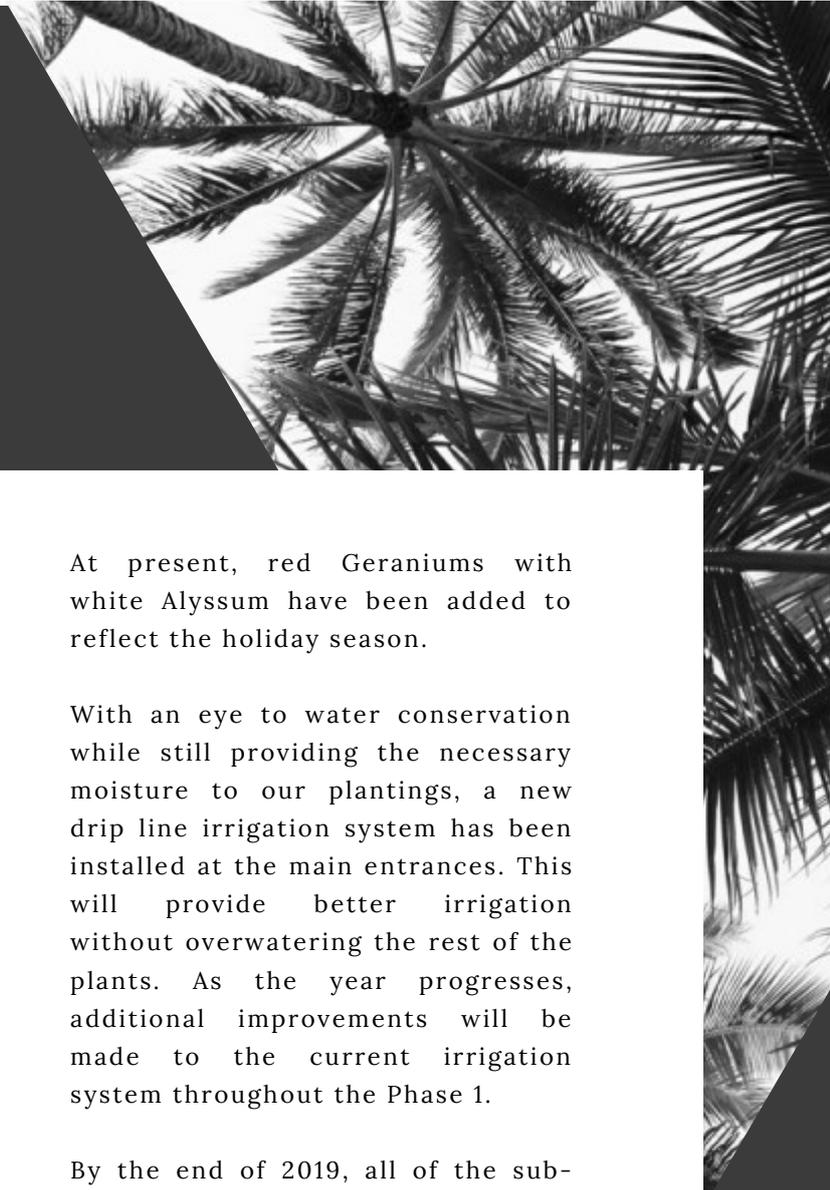
The spring and summer of 2019 saw the complete transformation of the two main entrances on the corner of South Village Dr. & North Dale Mabry Highway. New plantings, lighting and a beautiful clock were installed to create an elegant introduction to our community. These plantings will be seasonally rotated to provide a continual fresh look to our main entrance.

At present, red Geraniums with white Alyssum have been added to reflect the holiday season.

With an eye to water conservation while still providing the necessary moisture to our plantings, a new drip line irrigation system has been installed at the main entrances. This will provide better irrigation without overwatering the rest of the plants. As the year progresses, additional improvements will be made to the current irrigation system throughout the Phase 1.

By the end of 2019, all of the subdivision entrances and the main entrances at North Village Drive & North Dale Mabry will have been refurbished or have new landscaping designs in place. The main entrance into North Village Drive from North Dale Mabry will also receive a new sign welcoming Villagers to that section of our community. A few of the islands on South Village Drive will be sporting a new look as well to enhance the beauty of our village, just in time for the holidays.

We wish all of our village residents a most happy holiday season and best wishes for the New Year.



THE LATEST ON THE HAYWARD PLACE WETLAND RE-ZONING

The Dickey Group – owners of the Med Express property held an open house for residents curious about their plans and need for re-zoning (wetland destruction) on Dale Mabry just north of Bonfish Grill. The event was very well attended with local residents voicing their concerns. The Dickey Group is revising the design of the project and the zoning hearing has been postponed until Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at 6 PM at the County Center. The latest plan still includes destruction of part of the very old wetland.

If you are interested in protecting these wetlands and are against the proposed development, please visit the Save Carrollwood's

Wetland Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/392531867817239/>.

There you will also find more information on the status of the project and other ways to become involved to protect these wetlands.

The hearing for Chicken Dinner, LLC for the proposed zoning change, MM 19-1462 at the old Piccadilly location will also be January 21, 2020 at 6 PM. The developer of the parcel is requesting it be rezoned for a three-story self-storage facility.



PHASE III 2019 HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year! As your Board of Directors, we are very proud of what has transpired this past year in Phase III. Some of the highlights include:

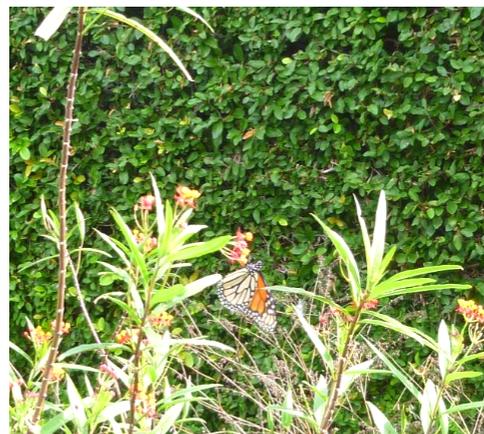
- The Welcome Committee was formed with 20 plus volunteers and the members have visited over 50 new residents of Phase III.
- The joint Pond Committee held a pond clean-up event in April in conjunction with Earth Day which collected over 170 pounds of trash from our ponds.
- Three pollinator gardens were planted along Sussex Way where stands of pines had died. Walkers have enjoyed the ever-changing gardens, the bees, butterflies and other wildlife they attract.
- The Board and Communications Committee have implemented an electronic communication strategy to keep homeowners informed thru the monthly e-newsletter, The Carrollwood Village Voice and e-mail blasts. If you have not registered your email please do so at Carrollwoodvillage.com so you can be “in the know”.
- The restoration of entrance lighting originally installed by the developers continued with the lighting at Somerset Village.
- A Muskogee Crepe Myrtle tree was planted and a bench was installed at the east intersection of West Village Dr. and Sussex Way to honor one of our original residents and a community visionary, Sandra Harrington.
- Community Standards were adopted (posted on Carrollwoodvillage.com).
- The West Village Commons shopping center at West Village and Ehrlich was purchased by a local owner who is restoring the center and attracting new tenants who will enhance the “Village” lifestyle. The anchor tenant, EOS Fitness is opening in 2020.



PHASE III 2019 (CONTINUED)

The new Hillsborough County park, Carrollwood Village Park added a splash pad, playground, amphitheater, and a park ranger. The dog parks and walking trail are becoming favorites for the Villagers

In 2020, the Phase III Board of Directors and the Phase III volunteers are striving to increase resident involvement as we work towards becoming “The Place” for future generations; a true “Legacy Community”. The focus in 2020 will be updating our community documents, lobby the county for greater traffic calming, the planting of trees along West Village Dr. thru a Tree Grant from Hillsborough County, implementing a sustainable “Florida Friendly” landscaping and pond strategy, and ensuring that the Association is financially sound to maintain our aging infrastructure thus enhance our property values.



WEST VILLAGE COMMONS WELCOMES A NEW ANCHOR TENANT

The Barclay Group announced that the new anchor tenant will be EOS Fitness. They will be in the space previously occupied by the Sweetbay supermarket. EOS Fitness will be opening in the spring of 2020. EOS Fitness has state-of-the-art machines, MOVEōS Cinema, cutting edge classes, and the Yard: Turf Functional Training Area.

They also have saunas, steam rooms and spacious locker rooms.

They advertise to be a better gym at a better price and offer group classes, great amenities, personal training and a Fun House Kid's Club. They are also opening a location at Midtown in Central Tampa. Visit their website for more details:

www.eosfitness.com



A MESSAGE FROM THE AUDUBON SOCIETY



Thank you for not feeding us bread.

Bread makes us ill, as it does not contain the right nutrition or calories that we need. Rotting bread pollutes our water and causes nasty surface algae, which kills our fish and gives us diseases. It also makes our water smell.

WE DO LIKE:

- Cut seedless grapes
- Chopped lettuce
- Cooked rice
- Birdseed
- Frozen peas
- Canned, frozen or fresh corn
- Rolled or instant oats

In the winter months our ponds host several different species of migratory ducks. Keep an eye out for our winter visitors.

VISTA GARDENS – VILLAGE INSTITUTE FOR SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGIES & AGRICULTURE

VISTA Gardens was founded in 2008 as a result of a joint project of the three Carrollwood Village Homeowners Associations and partnership with the Hillsborough County Parks and Recreation Department.

Through the support of our Hillsborough County Commissioners and the considerable dedication and true grit of many County residents including those here in Carrollwood Village, this county-owned property has been transformed from an abandoned, overgrown water treatment facility into the beautiful, thriving and sustainable community garden park we enjoy today.

VISTA Gardens opened to community memberships in Fall 2014 with six plots and 10 active members. Today we have over 50 beds with close to 90 active members.



As Hillsborough County's first Garden Park, our mission is "to provide education and to serve as a sustainable model for organic gardening, native landscaping, and related technologies while providing opportunities to participate in healthy outdoor activities, responsible environmental leadership, growing organic food, and community building."

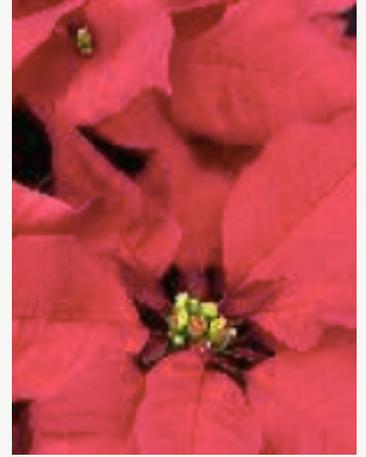
VISTA is proud to be the recipient of a Forever Friends grant to promote intergenerational activities. In 2019 we held several half day events where children, parents and grandparents worked together to learn about weeding, planting, watering, fertilizing, harvesting, and composting activities.

All residents of Hillsborough County are welcome to join VISTA Gardens and learn about organic gardening methods and associated technologies as well as, and to borrow a phrase from the Hillsborough County Parks Mission, "Leave life's daily pressures behind and reconnect with nature, your family, and friends at a nearby County park."

Please visit VISTA Gardens at <https://www.vistagardentampa.org/>

WHAT TO PLANT

IN DECEMBER



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Bedding plants: To add color to the winter garden plant masses of petunia, pansy, and snapdragon.

Bulbs: Amaryllis is a popular plant for the holiday season. It can be forced to bloom now or planted outdoors for spring blooms. The blooms die it can be planted in a sunny spot and it will bloom next year.

Herbs: Plant herbs that thrive in cool weather. Some examples include parsley, thyme, sage, dill, fennel, and cilantro.

Vegetables: Reliable cool-season vegetables to plant this month include celery, cauliflower, lettuce, cabbage, and carrot. **Poinsettias:** Enjoy one of the most popular indoor holiday plants. Protect it from cold until spring, and then plant it in the garden for next year.

WHAT TO DO

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Cold protection: Prepare now to protect tender plants should cold weather threaten. Old bedsheets are the best!

Lawn disease: Continue to watch for brown patch and large patch, fungal diseases that cause areas of grass to turn brown. Since treatment is difficult, prevention with proper cultural practices is key. These diseases become active when the soil temperature, measured 2-4 in. deep, is between 65°F and 75°F and go dormant when the weather warms in May.

Compost/mulch: Use fallen leaves to provide the carbon ingredient needed for successful composting and also to make good mulch.

Landscape and garden pests: Continue monitoring and treat as needed. While cooler weather generally means fewer pests, some populations actually increase at this time of year.

DECEMBER 2019

THINGS TO DO

Motown Christmas

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21 AT 8 P.M.
CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

Relive the hits of Motown with holiday classics. Back by popular demand after several sold-out performances, The Sounds of Soul will present an exciting, high energy show featuring superior vocals and slick dance moves powered by pure soul. **SOLD OUT**



Mr. Tommy's Holiday Party

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22 AT 2 P.M.
CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

What happens when Santa's reindeer all come down with a case of the Silly Flying Flu? Join children's entertainer Mr. Tommy for a rockin' holiday concert celebration filled with classic children's songs and a few surprises, too.



Admission: \$7 member / \$8 general admission / \$28 Family 4-Pack / Email boxoffice@carrollwoodcenter.org to inquire about obtaining a free ticket for children ages 4 and younger.

Winter I Classes & Workshops

JANUARY 8 THROUGH FEBRUARY 15 CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

At the Carrollwood Cultural Center, you are invited to learn a new skill, revisit an old one, or simply "do that one thing you've always wanted to do." Through art, ceramics, dance, music and theatre you will gain a new appreciation for the arts – perhaps even discover a talent you never knew you had. Regardless of the reason, there is always something new and exciting to learn at the Carrollwood Cultural Center. Visit CarrollwoodCenter.org for a class schedule.

DECEMBER 2019

THINGS TO DO

Franzini's Family Science Circus

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8 AT 10:30 A.M.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 9 AT 10:30 A.M.
CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

Join Professor Franzini and Lippo the Clown for an action-packed science show. Circus props, juggling, magic and more will turn this three-ring show into a science lesson.

Admission: \$7 member / \$8 general admission / \$28 Family 4-Pack / Email boxoffice@carrollwoodcenter.org to inquire about obtaining a free ticket for children ages 4 and younger.



Carrollwood Village Homeowners Associations present "Upstairs Downstairs" at the Tampa Bay Hotel

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8 AT 6 P.M.
CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

Step back in time with a single-character performance that brings

turn-of-the-century Tampa Bay Hotel staff members and guests to life. Based on original research conducted by the Henry Plant Museum, these characters recreate the attitudes and mores of a bygone time. "Upstairs Downstairs" is a Henry Plant Museum presentation created through a partnership with the Arts Council of Hillsborough County and the University of Tampa.

Admission: Free / Email Aaron Washington at aaron@carrollwoodcenter.org to reserve a seat.



North Tampa Market

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 FROM 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.
CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

A fresh market organized by Tampa Bay Markets. For more information, visit tampabaymarkets.com.
Admission: Free

DECEMBER 2019

THINGS TO DO

Franz Mantini, piano

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 AT 7 P.M.
CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

Pianists Franz Mantini and Ghadeer Abaido present a special program of solo and four-hand works for the piano featuring music by Bach, Haydn, Liszt, and Faure.

Admission: \$14 member / \$19 general admission



Carrollwood Village Homeowners Associations present Carrollwood Village Community Garage Sale

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 AT 9 A.M. TO NOON
CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

Join neighbors and friends for a community-wide garage sale at the Carrollwood Cultural Center. Share (and sell) your trinkets and, perhaps, find a hidden treasure or two! Spend the morning with us, shopping, selling, listening to music on the outdoor stage and viewing original works of art on display inside the Center.

Admission: Free

SELL YOUR STUFF

To participate, contact Aaron Washington at aaron@carrollwoodcenter.org. The registration deadline is January 10 and space is limited.

DECEMBER 2019

THINGS TO DO

The Ultimate Tijuana Brass Tribute

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 AT 8 P.M.
CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

Basil Rodriguez and South of the Border perform the music of Herb Alpert and the Tijuana Brass.

Admission: \$18 member / \$23 general admission



Banimagination with Shana Banana

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22 AT 10:30 A.M. CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

What makes a great story? “Banimagination” is the term Shana Banana uses to describe the wonderful world of delving into your own creative mind and making and enjoying good stories. Using puppets and original songs, she introduces story elements such as plot, excitement, mystery, suspense, etc. Children are kept moving and singing throughout while gaining an appreciation for reading and the storytelling craft.

Admission: \$7 member / \$8 general admission / \$28 Family 4-Pack / Email boxoffice@carrollwoodcenter.org to inquire about obtaining a free ticket for children ages 4 and younger.



Fairy Tales Gone Bananas with Shana Banana

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 AT 10:30 A.M. | CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

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DECEMBER 2019

THINGS TO DO

“Indoor/Outdoor” written by Kenny Finkle

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 AT 8 P.M.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 AT 8 P.M.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25 AT 8 P.M.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26 AT 2 P.M.

CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

Directed by Pete Zalizniak / Park of The Studio Project A cat named Samantha has just found a forever home with a man named Shuman who she believes is her true love. At first, everything seems to be going great.

But soon Samantha realizes that Shuman doesn't always seem to understand her. Things become truly problematic when one night Oscar, a sexy alley cat, shows up at the door. Suddenly Samantha begins to wonder whether she's an indoor or an outdoor cat. To make matters more complicated, a quirky aspiring cat therapist named Matilda inserts herself into the mix, thinking she can solve everyone's problems. Eventually, Samantha finds herself on a journey, both physical and emotional, that leads her to discover what having a home and being loved really means. Presented through a special arrangement with Broadway Play Publishing.

Admission: \$15 member / \$20 general admission



Jazz with Jim

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 AT 7:30 P.M.

CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER, 4537 LOWELL ROAD IN TAMPA

Jazz with Jim is a monthly concert hosted by Jim Burge and The Jazz Directions. The show is best known for fusing personal stories by the musicians with popular jazz tunes suited for that month's theme.

Admission: \$13 member / \$18 general admission



PHASE I BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 27 AT 7:00 P.M. CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER

PHASE II ANNUAL MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28 AT 7:00 P.M. CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER

PHASE III BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29 AT 7:00 P.M. CARROLLWOOD CULTURAL CENTER