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From the President

By Joe Overberger



Joe Overberger

Hello, everyone! I hope that you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and your preparations for the Christmas season are now in full swing. Our community had another productive year. We are in a solid financial posture and we have a low crime rate, great schools and a dedicated staff. 2013 looks to be another good year.

There is a group of people that makes a tremendous difference in our community and I would like to recognize them; they are our hundreds of volunteers. I speak often of our great volunteers and thank all of those who sit on their neighborhood and Board committees, as well as those who volunteer for The Fabs, the Women's Association, the Community Emergency Response Team and the Citizens on Patrol, among others.

There are many more that deserve our recognition and praise. Have you ever gone by any of our parks and observed the youngsters there participating in soccer, football, basketball, baseball or cheerleading?

There are more than one thousand kids involved in these activities.

Did you ever wonder who coordinates everything? They are all volunteers who coach the teams, stripe the fields and pick up after themselves. Our HCCA Recreation staff works with them on permitting, but volunteers do the rest. This is just one more example of what makes our community such an awesome place to live.

There are, of course, many other groups that add to the fabric that makes up the quilt of Hunter's Creek. Many have articles in the magazine on a regular basis, such as the Running Club, the Motorcycle Association, the Women's Cancer Support Group, Relay For Life, the Sewing Angels, the Dog Park Committee, local schools, scouting groups, and many more. I have often said that you can pretty much find anything you want to participate in right here in Hunter's Creek. Once again, as volunteers, they deserve our support.

It is my hope that we can encourage our current volunteers to continue their dedication to our community. It is my goal to reach out to everyone and I invite you to come forward if you are interested in getting involved in some way. I would like to hear new ideas and thoughts on how we can make Hunter's Creek even better. We should not rest on our "21st Best Place to Live in America" recognition. We should strive to keep on climbing up that list! Becoming involved is a great way to meet new people and make new friends. So please let us hear from you.

If you are reading this article, please continue to read the entire magazine. The information is very interesting and will keep you up to speed on what is happening around you. For those of us who have had family and friends affected by Hurricane Sandy, please know that you are in the thoughts and prayers of many. For me, the Jersey shore will never be the same.

Thanks for letting me continue to serve on your Board. Let's work together to keep Hunter's Creek "A Wonderful Place to Live."

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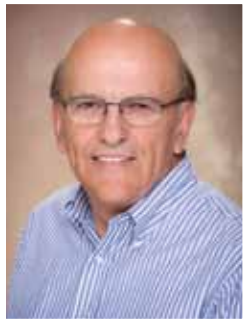
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From the General Manager's Desk

By John Rasnic, MCM

Hunter's Creek - One Year Later

When one reflects over the past 12 months and all of the events that have taken place in Hunter's Creek, it's no wonder that Hunter's Creek is labeled "A Wonderful Place to Live."

Following is a chronological listing of most of the events that took place this past year in Hunter's Creek. The list was compiled by Denise Sedon of the Hunter's Creek Community Association (HCCA) Communications Department; HCCA staff member Heidi May created a slide show that was narrated at the Annual Meeting by HCCA President Joe Overberger.

November 3, 2011: 24th Annual HCCA Meeting of Members - this was the first "Year in Review" slide show, which was put together by the HCCA Communications Department and narrated by Dave Shirk. Three incumbents were elected by acclamation at the Annual Meeting.

November 8, 2011: Community Neighborhood Watch Meeting - Deputy Stanley Murray gave a good "pep" talk to the more than 100 people who attended.

November 12, 2011: Relay For Life - 47 teams with 673 participants, including more than 90 survivors; \$200,000 was raised, far surpassing the goal of \$140,000. Assistant General Manager Nancy Rasnic and I were honorary chairpersons. Hunter's Creek was chosen to be part of the national Cancer Prevention Study - 3 (CPS-3).

November 19, 2011: 10th Annual Turkey Trot - 75 runners participated, ranging in age from 13 months to 80 years young.

December 3, 2011: Holiday Concert/Craft Fair - 300 students, grades second through eighth, participated. Gordon Adams was the emcee and the event featured a collection for Toys for Tots and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus, portrayed by Dennis and Marlene Kent.

December 5, 2011: The Appreciation Committee held the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner - 163 volunteer guests attended plus staff for a total of 176 attendees. The guests were presented with a wonderful meal which was the last HCCA catered event to be served by Kahuna Grill. Carole Scheinler was named the 2011 Hunter's Creek Outstanding Volunteer of the Year and a bench was dedicated in her honor.

December 9, 2011: Annual Staff Christmas Party - the Ron Rutland Award went to Dan Phillips; Anne Brooms placed second; third place was a tie between John Burridge, Luis Ferraz and Kelli Garcia.

January 10, 2012: The Orange County Commissioners awarded a plaque to Dave Shirk and me, recognizing Hunter's Creek as the "21st Best Place to Live in America."

February 15: Bench dedication for Carole Scheinler - her bench is located next to her husband Bill's memorial bench, facing Lake Calabay on Hunter's Creek Boulevard.

February 17: One of the saddest days in Hunter's Creek's history, HCCA President Dave Shirk passed away suddenly.

February 24, 25, 26 and March 2, 3, 4: Annual Peggy Breunig Tennis Classic - 50 players competed, ages 10 through 73.

March 8: Town Hall hosted a tribute to Dave Shirk - 250 people attended the Celebration of Life and Tribute to Dave Shirk. Several dignitaries spoke.

March 11: Residents' Day at the Ballfield - unfortunately, this event was rained out.

March 17: Bunny in the Park - first year the HCCA hosted the event and highlighted the first Marshmallow Drop from a helicopter. This event was previously handled by the Hunter's Creek Women's Association.



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March 23 and 26 - 30: Spring Break Camp - six fun-filled days with a very good attendance of kindergarten through fifth grade kids.

Late March, Early April: Parking Lot 299 - located at the intersection of Hunter's Creek Boulevard and Town Center Boulevard, the lot was improved by paving the driving lanes and putting turf on the parking areas.

April 1: Magic Night Out - residents gathered at the Amway Center to watch the Magic play.

April 4: Congressman Daniel Webster visited Town Hall for a meeting which was open to the public.

April 22: 25th Anniversary Celebration of Hunter's Creek - over 800 people attended along with many of the original Hunter's Creek development team members.

May 3: Joe Overberger was elected President by the Board of Directors; Pete Zieg was elected Vice President and Duane Beaudry was appointed to serve Dave Shirk's vacant seat until the next election.

May 9: 11th Annual HCCA Meeting with the managers and elected officials of Orange County, where both HCCA and Orange County review issues important to both sides.

June 21: HOSA event - the HCCA

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) hosted the event, which was a national event with 24 teams from Health Occupations Students of America competing.

Summer of 2012: HCCA Summer Camp - an average of 60 kids per week attended and enjoyed eight differently themed weeks.

July 4: 24th Fourth of July Celebration - a huge success until the very end, when a ferocious storm rolled in, toppling tents and scattering vendor supplies throughout Osprey Park.

July 14: 8th Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event - held at the Hunter's Creek Middle School because it had outgrown its home at the Town Hall parking lot. Items were dropped off from 826 vehicles.

August 7: National Night Out - sponsored by Target and Flat Rocks - where fingerprinting of children was provided by the Citizens on Patrol (COP).

August 27: Our beloved employee Dan Phillips passed away - a memorial service was held at Town Hall to honor Dan a few weeks later.

Late August: The Osprey Park parking lot was expanded - adding 61 parking spaces, plus four handicap spaces; a new bathroom facility was also constructed.

September: The Eagle Park parking lot was paved and

striped, replacing the crushed rock that had been there for over 15 years.

September 28: 11th Annual Hunter's Creek Golf Tournament in Memory of Larry Scott - 42 golfers participated and \$1,000 was raised for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

October 2: The Orange County Commission approved a recommendation by Commissioner Scott Boyd to allocate one million dollars to develop the land north of SR 417 as an Orange County recreation facility to service the Hunter's Creek area.

October 13: Fall Festival - featured costume contests and the first pumpkin carving contest.

October 19, 20, 26 and 27: 10th Annual Creep Nights Haunted House and Hayride - featured the most creative and scariest areas from the past 10 years.

November 1: HCCA Annual Meeting - four incumbents were re-elected: Duane Beaudry, John Fields, Joe Overberger and Pete Zieg. Bob Anders and Denny Del Prince also ran for the position.

November 10 and 11: Relay For Life - another successful event with a large attendance and \$245,000 raised so far.

That brings us full circle for the year, but we aren't done. There will be several more events before we close the books on 2012. We hope you were a part of many of the items listed in this article. 🦅

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Update

on Road Construction in HC

By Roy Figg, Maintenance Manager

Editor's Note: In an effort to keep our residents informed, we will publish a feature article, with photos, each month to keep you updated on the progress of this massive project. This is an Orange County project and there is contact info at the end of this article. Please check the home page of www.hunterscreek.net for the most recent updates, which will be posted as soon as we receive them from the county. Facebook posts will also be sent to those who have requested them.

First, a little background on this project: GlobeTec Construction was given notice to proceed with the installation of a 36" water main and a 20" reclaimed water main underneath Town Center Boulevard from International Drive to John Young Parkway by Orange County on April 2, 2012. The proposed date of completion on this contract is September 23, 2013. Whether the project is actually completed by that date remains to be seen. An additional contractor will eventually

take this project all the way to Orange Avenue, so the majority of our residents will be affected at some point.



Please be aware that there will often be an off-duty deputy stationed to ensure safe journey through the area. Please bring along your patience as a speeding ticket in Orange County for 10 MPH over the speed limit currently carries a \$155 fine; speeding in a construction zone doubles that fine to more than \$300.

There were delays in receiving initial road closure permits and GlobeTec started work on the far west portion of the contract,

clearing property at the end of Town Center Blvd. through the wetlands to International Drive. Progress was very slow, but ground and vegetation have now been cleared and pipe can be laid once the area is somewhat drier.

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The excavation progress has been slower than anticipated because of unforeseen pipes and services that have been discovered.

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 Architectural Review..... Carole Scheinler
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 Finance..... Ed Schwartz

Management..... Joe Overberger
 Nominating..... Maureen Edwards
 Strategic Planning..... John Fields
 Tennis..... Jenna Mazza

As Needed Committees

Covenant Enforcement..... Open
 Landscape..... Cynthia Cuenin
 Property Review..... Sharon Bright
 Public Safety..... Open
 Rules/By-Laws..... Jack Callender

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By Denise Sedon

The following report is not the official minutes of the November 1, 2012 Board of Directors meeting. A complete copy of the official minutes can be obtained at the HCCA office in Town Hall once they are approved, which is normally at the next BOD meeting. Approved minutes are also available on our website, www.hunterscreek.net. Move your cursor to **Board Room** in the main menu, choose **HCCA Board of Directors** from the drop-down menu and **Board Meeting Minutes** from the slide-out list.

Present at the meeting were Board members Joe Overberger, President; Pete Zieg, Vice Presi-

dent; Ed Schwartz, Treasurer; Directors Duane Beaudry, Sharon Bright, Barbara Burns, John Fields and Diane Schmidt.

Consent Agenda - There were 14 items on the consent agenda, which consists of informational material and routine business issues not requiring individual attention unless requested by a member of the Board. Several items were pulled for discussion. Ed alerted the Board that a decision will soon need to be made regarding where to place the surplus income realized at the end of 2012. Joe asked about the recent owner transfer related to the Kailey's Ridge property and complimented HCCA Con-

troller Eric Lopez on the work he had done in researching this matter. All items passed unanimously.

New Business:

Update on Foreclosed Condos - HCCA Controller Eric Lopez explained the very complicated issue of handling past due/future assessments on condominium units that have been foreclosed upon, either by the HCCA or by the respective condo association. The Board approved HCCA's Management entering into discussion with representatives from Audubon Villas, Capri, Golfview and Villanova to try to

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agree on a procedure similar to the one used when a like situation arises in an incorporated single family neighborhood. The Board also discussed the potential value of building some mutual goodwill by scheduling a meeting in the near future between the HCCA and representatives from condos and apartment properties within Hunter's Creek.

2013 Master and Committee Neighborhood Budgets - Each Board member had a copy of proposed 2013 budgets and they were approved unanimously. The Master portion of the assessments remains at \$50.67 per month or \$152.01 per quarter, representing no increase in the Master portion of assessments for the upcoming year.

Time Change for Future Board Meetings - Joe discussed changing the start time for Board of Directors meetings from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm; other members wondered if 7:00 pm might be more appropriate. It was decided that John Rasnic will mention this at an upcoming Council of Directors meeting to see if there's enough interest to warrant a change. The thought process is that a later time would allow more residents who have work commitments to either attend Board meetings or to seek election to the Board.

Next Scheduled Meetings - The next meeting of the Board of Directors is set for Thursday, December 6 at 3:00 pm at Town Hall. There will also be a meeting on January 31, which is a departure from the normal schedule. All residents are welcome to attend these meetings. 

Law Enforcement

By Sergeant Raul Fernandez



Sgt. Raul Fernandez

Have a Safe Holiday Season

Thanksgiving weekend is considered the traditional kick-off for the holiday shopping season. Unfortunately, the holiday shopping season is also the time for some dishonest people to watch and wait for the right opportunity to commit a crime. In an effort to minimize criminal activity during this holiday season, additional off-duty deputies will be in the community in both marked and unmarked vehicles. We will be looking for any suspicious activity and requiring solicitors to identify themselves and their businesses. We know that when confronted by law enforcement, individuals with a criminal intent will leave the area. Residents should not hesitate to call law enforcement if anything seems out of place.




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4. Lock your vehicle and make sure windows are completely up and secured.
5. Remember where you parked and have your keys out and ready as you approach your vehicle.
6. Never leave packages or valuable items unattended or in plain view. Remove them from the vehicle or secure them in the trunk.

While you and your family are out enjoying the many festivities of the holiday season, the off-duty deputies will be in your neighborhoods and parks keeping an eye on things to make sure all is well. The off-duty deputies and I would like to thank HCCA Management and Hunter's Creek residents for the opportunity to serve you in this great community. Have a great and safe holiday season! 

Did You Get to Experience Creep Nights 2012?

By Terrie Bromley

The fog was so thick it was hard to see what was ahead, which only added to the anticipation and fear. What was waiting for us behind the open door, beckoning us to enter? The thumping sounds of music and the ominous screams in the distance were almost muted by the deafening sound of my own heartbeat as I took my first steps into...**the best and most awesome Hunter's Creep Nights I have ever experienced!**



Our Haunted House and Hayride event celebrated its tenth anniversary this year over four nights. In honor of this, our crew put together the ten best scares from over the past decade.



Did you open your eyes while you were walking through or were you just too scared? If you kept them closed, you missed the larger-than-life clowns, the live gator and slithering snake in the swamp,

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Did You Get to Experience Creep Nights 2012? continued...

the pictures in the hallway that dropped to expose some of the scariest live portraits you can imagine, and don't forget the zombie feast! Just when you thought it was over, Grandpa popped out from under the bed, forcing you into a room so disorienting that it actually felt like the walls were walking toward you (they actually were!).



Let's not forget about the haunted hayride that took a terrifying tour around the lake behind the baseball fields. Kids and adults of all ages were able to enjoy this ride, as they hopped up on the bales of hay and set out on their course of

adventure, taking in scenery filled with witches, zombies, singing pumpkins, pirates, scarecrows, aliens and an animated spaceship, as well as an animated haunted house. More than 1,200 riders enjoyed the haunted hayride over the course of the event, even though the weather forced us to cancel the hayride one night.

Did you know that planning for this event begins in February? I know it has been said before, but the number of volunteers and the amount of hours that it takes to accomplish such a successful event always

amazes me. More than 100 volunteers and countless hours are put into the preparation, execution and clean up of this event. The kids who volunteer spend several weeks planning, learning and practicing for the many different roles required to bring our haunted house to the next level. The feedback we've received from residents who dared to enter our spine-chilling house of the paranormal has been very positive, as they compared our house to that of Universal's Halloween Horror Nights. This is quite a compliment for a small community event and this year's haunted house welcomed over 1,400 guests.

A special thank you to all of our adult and student actors, as well as support volunteers - you are the meat of our zombie feast. Also, a special thank you to the team leaders who put in their time and energy to help transform our students into the bloodstained creatures of the



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night they so professionally portrayed – Aracely Huertas, Abdias Rodriguez, Miguel Borges, Steven Carrero, Carlos China and Andrea Sember. You all rock!



No 'zombie feast' would be complete without the gruesome and ghastly vision of our Creep Nights team, a.k.a. The Creepers, including howling head chef Greg Nelson (designer/special effects), sickening sous chef Don Roberts (builder), and shocking side dishes: Todd and Patti Lee, Rick Mohring, John Falto and Jacob Langlais (all creative support). You can't feast on the dead without tools (we aren't animals, after all) and for this we thank our very own Toolman, Kevin White, and for the daunting desserts, we thank Paola Nelson (artist/makeup).



Of course, a great community event created by volunteers is always in need of good sponsors and this year we had some terrific ones. Please join us in thanking the following businesses:

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viding house volunteers with live gators and snakes that brought our house to a frightfully new level), Pizza Hut, Snake Education with a Twist and Toolman Electric.


To keep peace and order, a big round of applause goes to the Orange County deputies and our very own Citizens on Patrol members, who provided crowd control and security.



A big thank you goes to Dorenda Ruby for overseeing the kids' craft tent, which provided a fun place for the younger kids to hang out and create their own artwork while their older siblings were off experiencing scarier sights. Also, thank you to HCCA staff and employee spouses who came out to volunteer their time: Linda Mongoven, Fred Robertucci and Dave Sedon.



And last, but never least, thank you to everyone who came out to enjoy the experience of Hunter's Creep Nights 10 Years of Terror! The support shown by this community is overwhelming and we are very grateful for that. Because of you and your loyal support, stay tuned for Hunter's Creep Nights XI... 



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By Eric Lopez, Controller

Year-End Wrap Up

As you read this, you probably already received (or will very shortly) a mailing from the HCCA containing your payment coupons for 2013. Included in the package of information is a sheet describing several ways you can pay your assessments, in addition to mailing a check with your coupon. I'd like to strongly encourage you to consider using our direct payment program. By completing the authorization form in your coupon package, you will authorize your bank to directly pay your assessments to the HCCA when they are due. We have a large number of homeowners who are assessed late fees each quarter because "I forgot" or "I was out of town" or "I couldn't find my coupon" — signing up for the

direct payment program will eliminate the possibility of incurring a late payment fee.

In your packet of information, you will also find copies of both your neighborhood budget and the Master Association budget for 2013. As you know, there was no increase in the Master assessment for 2013; at the neighborhood level, about half of the neighborhoods had either a decrease or no increase in assessments, and in the neighborhoods where there was an increase, it was fairly modest.

Best wishes for a happy holiday season! 

Operating Statement		
Year through September 30, 2012		
	Year to date	
Income	Actual	Budget
Single Family Assessments	2,643,021	2,643,492
Multi-Family Assessments	900,202	900,203
HCCA - All Other Income	677,511	644,407
Total Income	4,220,734	4,188,102
Expense		
Administrative Dept.	1,880,921	1,864,635
Communication Dept.	(889)	39,261
Recreation Dept.	124,109	133,519
Utilities	223,530	234,964
Maintenance	1,309,275	1,505,342
Irrigation	22,964	33,675
Reserve Transfer	261,862	261,863
Total Expenses	3,821,772	4,073,259
Excess	398,962	114,843
Loan Principal Payment	130,025	130,984
Net Operating Results	268,937	(16,141)

Balance Sheet			
<u>September 30, 2012</u>			
<u>Assets</u>		<u>Liabilities</u>	
Cash - Operating	1,415,959	Accounts Payable	118,561
Cash - Reserves	2,806,036	Accrued Expenses	219,736
Assessments Receivable	452,949	Deferred Assessment Income	-
Other Receivables	76,107	Prepaid Assessments	193,125
Prepaid Expenses	162,932	Loan Payable	1,180,863
Deposits	24,508	Total Liabilities	1,712,285
Property - Buildings	2,241,952		
Total Assets	7,180,443	Fund Balance	
		Replacement Reserve	2,539,279
		Working Capital Fund	202,267
		Operating Fund Reserve	796,000
		Operating Fund Balances	1,930,612
		Total Fund Balance	5,468,158
		Total Liab and Fund Balance	7,180,443

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By Denise Sedon, Dept. Manager

I am happy to report that our Facebook page is working like we intended. It has been a great way to communicate information about upcoming events and important updates. I guess we've all either seen or heard about the road construction project on Town Center Boulevard. It's down towards The Vistas now, but will eventually crawl all the way to Orange Avenue as water main pipes are installed underneath the roadway. As you can imagine, this is going to impact most, if not all, of our residents at some point. As we receive news on the project from the county, we will be updating both the home page on www.hunterscreek.net and sending out the news via Facebook. The posting on Facebook is handy because you receive a notification that something new has been published, so you don't have to worry about going to the website every day (although, we love it when you do!). We don't have the Facebook page set up for comments, but that's because we are not at a point where we can answer questions or requests in a timely manner. We do invite you to send an e-mail to general@hunterscreek.net anytime with your queries or suggestions. That way, you can be directed to the correct person or department and you can be taken care of correctly.

By the time you read this, the Communications Department will already be well into the creation process for the January



2013 issue of *Life at Hunter's Creek*. We would like to thank you for taking the time to read the magazine each month and a huge thank you goes to our advertisers, who make this magazine possible. Also, we are so grateful for our delivery staff...we literally could not do this without them! I consider it a privilege to work for this association and we do our best to bring you the information that you need. My staff and I wish you a fantastic holiday season full of whatever makes you the happiest.

Any questions or suggestions that you may have regarding *Life at Hunter's Creek Magazine*, the community's website (www.hunterscreek.net), or the HCCA Facebook page are much appreciated. Please contact me by telephone at 407-240-6000 or via e-mail at dsedon@hunterscreek.net. 



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By Karen Marich, Dept. Manager

Signs in Hunter's Creek

Over the past couple of months, the Community Standards Department (CSD) has seen an influx of political signs. Now that the elections are over, hopefully all the signs have been removed. However, if they have not, we will continue to enforce these as violations, since political signs are not permitted. Enforcing this violation is the same as any violation: three letters are sent; then the account is reviewed for attorney action, which may take up to 60 days. The HCCA cannot go onto a residential property and remove signage, since this would be considered trespassing.

The rules regarding signage state:

No sign of any kind shall be displayed to the public view on any residential property or residential unit, except those which shall be in compliance with the guidelines established by the Architectural Review Committee (ARC). The ARC shall have the right to establish guidelines so as to require a uniform standard for signs on the properties.

See the following ARC guidelines:

No signs which are visible from neighboring property shall be erected or

maintained on any lot, except signs required by legal proceeding, identification signs (numbers) for individual residences, and "for sale" and "for lease" signs (not to exceed 18" x 24"). Only one real estate sign per lot is allowed. Neighborhood associations may further restrict signage.

One security sign is permitted in the front yard located either adjacent to the driveway or in close proximity to the front entrance of the main dwelling. Security company signs are also permitted in the windows.

No signs are allowed to be placed between the sidewalk and the curb. Signs on fences such as "Beware of Dog," "Keep Out," and the like can be no larger in size than 8" x 10".

Open House Signs

Only one open house sign is allowed at each entrance to a neighborhood at any one time. The sign must be placed between the sidewalk and the wall. Signs cannot have any logos or company information on them except the small Realtor logo. The sign must be generic and say "Open House." Exceptions: 1) One generic open house sign may be placed at the northeast, or northwest, corner of Hunter's Vista Boulevard and Town Center Boulevard with an arrow pointing north on Hunter's Vista Boulevard; 2) Fairways residents may place one open house sign in the easement between the sidewalk and John Young Parkway next to the light pole. No signs are allowed in the medians. Signage is only allowed on weekends. No other signs are allowed on the main boulevards and parkways in Hunter's Creek. This prohibition includes garage sale signs, moving signs, vendor signs, etc.


Common Areas

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Finance Committee

By Denise Sedon


The monthly meeting of the Finance Committee was held at 7:00 pm at Town Hall on Monday, October 22. In attendance were Committee Members Eric Lopez, HCCA Controller; John Rasnic, HCCA General Manager; Ray Alger, Del Babb, Mike Mazza, John Mongoven and Neil Peraza.

As of the end of September, Management expects that the operating surplus for 2012 will be in the \$100,000 – \$125,000 range. Replacement Reserves are at \$1,015,928 and the Working Capital Fund stands at \$202,267. At year's end, Replacement Reserves and Working Capital should be around \$950,000 and \$225,000, respectively. It was noted that the Communications Department is showing a surplus for the first time.

There are currently 753 completed foreclosures and 468 pending foreclosures in Hunter's Creek. More than 370 accounts, representing \$950,000 in delinquent assessments, have been turned over to Association Financial Services (AFS) for collection. Of those accounts, 56 have paid in full and 36 have made partial payments.

The 2013 Master Operating Budget that had recently been presented to our residents was reviewed, along with the summary of neighborhood budgets. The committee unanimously voted to recommend approval of the 2013 budget to the HCCA Board of Directors.


Nico March of Wells Fargo Bank made a presentation to the committee regarding proposed management of the Association's reserve fund investments. Mr. March previously managed the HCCA's investments while he was with another firm. Management will take the information received under advisement and make a decision at a later date.

The Finance Committee normally meets on the third or fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at Town Hall. The next scheduled meeting is planned for Monday, November 26, which will have passed as of this printing. For the most up-to-date information on future meetings, check the website (www.hunterscreek.net) by going to *Stay Connected - Calendars - Town Hall Meetings/Activities*. You may also call Town Hall at 407-240-6000 for information. Residents are welcome to attend. 

GARDEN CLUB

By Valerie Dunn

OMG, garden friends! We had a fabulous time visiting the lovely gardens of both Shari Fling and Ann Strehlow this November. Do you want to share gardening tips, make new friends, see other people's beautiful gardens and just have some fun? If so, you are invited to a Garden Club field trip Friday, December 14 to Rockledge Gardens.

We will meet at Valerie Dunn's house at 3891 Hunter's Isle Drive at 9:00 am sharp to carpool. For more information, please call Valerie at 321.276.8939 or e-mail val2@cfl.rr.com. 

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By Steve Logan, Dept. Manager

Movie in the Park



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Bunco will be held on the third
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Recreation Center.



Community Night with the Solar Bears

Sunday, February 17 at 3:00 pm
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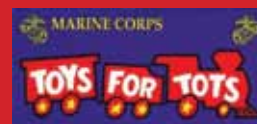
For those of us missing out on our hockey due to the NHL lockout, we have the solution. As a new member of the ECHL, the Orlando Solar Bears are out of hibernation and heating up the ice once again. The HCCA is sponsoring a community night with discounted tickets available.

Osprey Park Holiday Concert

Plus Craft Fair
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Saturday, December 8
at Osprey Park from
5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Free Admission
Concert begins at 6:00 pm

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The Hunter's Creek Community Association will once again host its "Magic Night Out," offering a convenient way to purchase tickets to an upcoming Magic game as well as a great opportunity to hang out with your friends and neighbors. Special ticket prices for Hunter's Creek residents - reserve your spot today!

Zombies Invade Hunter's Creek... COP Unit Responds

By Dennis Kent

It was the last night of Hunter's Creep Nights and there were strange rustling sounds coming from the trees. At Osprey Park, a group of "things" had gathered. The group seemed to be comprised of mostly creatures that resembled small children up to teenage kids. There were even a few adults scattered among the throng. What had happened?



Hunter's Creek had been invaded by zombies! They were the really ugly kind, too. Why were they here and what were they going to do? The Hunter's Creek Citizens on Patrol Unit had been called out to make sure that these creatures did no harm to the general population. The COPs had heard about



the event and had enlisted a secret weapon of their own. Yes, they had enlisted the infamous Beetlejuice to help control the menacing zombies. But what were these zombies up to?

The group started to walk eastward on Town Center



Boulevard and the COP folks stopped traffic to let them cross...after all, we didn't want to have to clean off those cars if they hit a

zombie. They meandered all the way to McDonald's, made the loop and returned to Osprey Park, all the while being chided by Beetlejuice and watched over very carefully by the COP folks.



When the zombies returned to Osprey Park, they mysteriously vanished without causing any mayhem to the populace.

What really happened is this...a group of young people, along with a few adults from Peace United Methodist Church, had decided to raise some money for the American Cancer Society. Ms. Bonnie White had called upon the COP guys to make sure that they could do the walk and be able to cross the intersections safely. The mission was successfully accomplished. What they didn't know was that Beetlejuice is a COP member and is eligible to ride in the marked car. He was also very successful in slowing down traffic, because most folks wanted to stop and look at him in the middle of the street.

Sorry to all those folks who had to wait a few moments while we stopped traffic for the group. Everybody seemed to enjoy the spectacle; although, I'm sure that there were a lot of people who were wondering, "What the heck was that?"

Bottom line? The group of approximately 65 zombies raised over \$700 to help defeat cancer. Good job, everybody! 🦋

December Monthly Activities

Basketball Men's 40+

Wednesdays 6:30 pm Mallard Pointe Park

Bingo

December 13th 7:30 pm Osprey Park

Bunco

December 20th 6:30 pm Osprey Park
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HC Golf League

Tuesdays 4:00 pm HC Golf Club
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Women's Golf League

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Racquetball

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Running Club

Wednesdays 6:30 pm Osprey Park
Saturdays 6:00 am HC Town Hall

Senior Social

Fridays 1:00 pm HC Town Hall
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Volleyball

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30 pm Osprey Park 🦋



Memoirs of a Hunter's Creek Magazine Delivery Girl

By Connie Weeks

Okay, maybe not a delivery girl, more like a delivery woman. This was purely by default. My memoirs began when my daughter desperately wanted a magazine route. I, being the loving, supportive mother that I am, thought this was the perfect opportunity for her to gain responsibility and experience. Well, needless to say, about three months later, the job of the delivery girl was passed to the delivery woman.

Two and half years later, I say farewell to my magazine gig. The responsibility and experiences I gained over-exceeded my expectations. What was a monthly neighborhood magazine delivery slowly grew into a way of life, a tradition, a far-away relative. As a person simply delivering a magazine, I learned about the lives of many of our sweetest Hunter's Creek residents. Not that I knew them by name, or even by appearance, but by the way their homes changed with each season or with each hardship or celebration.

There were homes that greeted me with a hearty dog's bark "hello." There was the home that had the sign stating, "Shh! Baby sleeping, please knock." That sign still adorns that front door today, even though that baby is probably a toddler by now. There is the house that changes their flag with each holiday, and for me, it is a tradition to see it each time. There are the houses so manicured and well-kept that in my mind, I would say, "This month, I give you the 'House of the Month' award." There was never such an award, but I often wondered what would happen if I ceremoniously slipped a Certificate of Achievement in that home's magazine bag.

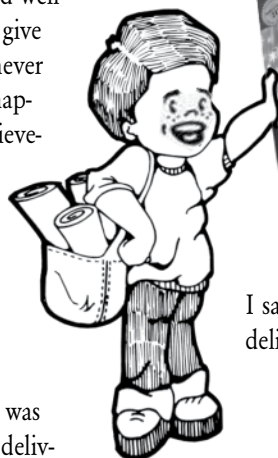
There were funny stories along the way, too. I remember (and this was not actually funny at the time) one such moment, and now that I reflect on it, it was my "Lucy" moment. I was delivering magazines at dusk, which was probably not a good idea in the first place. Another mistake on my part was that I forgot my glasses...two mistakes for the next delivery person to avoid as they travel door to door. My third mistake was that I did not see the small step leading to the front door. So, as I clumsily stepped up, or should I say tripped up the step, I lost my balance and found myself actually in the house. My first thought was, "My, this is a lovely home." My second thought was, "Look at the two people peering at me from their kitchen." I, of course, apologized profusely for my mishap, as my knees bled. But the coolest thing about the situation was the family was not concerned that a perfect stranger burst through their front door; they were more concerned if the perfect stranger was okay. They offered me band-aids, first aid, and some water. I just wanted to dig a hole and crawl into it. How embarrassing! To this day, I wonder how I delivered to that same house month after month without feeling my cheeks go hot with

embarrassment, but I did. Of course I did and why not? Family forgives and helps family.

There were times, too, when I would walk up to a door to deliver a magazine and a neighbor would approach me and say, "No need to deliver there anymore; they passed away." Even though I never saw that person or knew a thing about them, my heart wrenched listening to the news, time and time again. In my years of delivering, two people passed away in my little neighborhood, and it felt as if an aunt, uncle or grandparent had left my family. My eyes would well up. Of course they did; why not? Family has to let family go.

The biggest change was watching the economy eat away at my little family neighborhood. I could see the changes: the notices on the doors, the yards becoming more unkempt. It was sad to see a happy home all of a sudden bow its head in despair and grief to an economy that was just out of anyone's control.

My days as a delivery woman helped me realize one thing to be true: Hunter's Creek is not the "21st Best Place to Live"; it's the best place to live. Each day I walk through our neighborhoods, I see people greeting each other with smiles, handshakes and warmth. We tend to just be there for each other, even in our "Lucy" moments. Whether we know each other face to face, or by name, we are there.



So, for the next delivery boy or girl that takes my position...be organized, cheerful, kind and punctual. These people are your community-family members.

And, for those family members gaining a new delivery boy or girl, and I promise someday it will be a delivery man or woman: be patient, kind, smile and greet them with the same respect I was given each month.

I say farewell as I remember the flag that hung on the last house I delivered to, "Somewhere...it's 5 o'clock."



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Orange County Sheriff's Office Honors Our Residents

By Dennis Kent

It was a balmy October night and several of our Hunter's Creek residents traveled to the First Baptist Church of Orlando on John Young Parkway. It was time, once again, to recognize the OCSO volunteers at their annual awards banquet. About 230 volunteers and guests were in attendance.

This year's award ceremony was dedicated to a close neighbor of ours, Jack Jarrell of Peppermill. Jack was one of the first volunteers in the Citizens on Patrol (COP) program. He was to be honored for his accomplishments that evening, but sadly, Jack passed away suddenly two weeks prior to the banquet.

The ceremony commenced with the OCSO Honor Guard clicking their heels and parading the colors as the crowd joined in on the singing of the National Anthem. An invocation by an OCSO Chaplain followed and then a comprehensive slide show of all of the volunteer units was shown with pictures of various activities that they had been involved in over the past year. The Hunter's Creek COP unit was featured in quite a few of the slides.



Bob Gold and Carlos Sant'Ana help out at National Night Out by fingerprinting kids.

And then a moment of silence was observed, followed with a remembrance of those volunteers that had passed on during the year, including one of our own, Dave Shirk, who was remembered during the presentation.

Our guest speaker was Sheriff Jerry L. Demings, who commented on the amount of good that the volunteers contribute to the agency. The dollar value of the volunteer hours for the past year was estimated at \$179,439, representing 9,616 hours volunteered. Sheriff Demings then requested that all paid members of OCSO in attendance stand and give the volunteers a standing ovation of thanks. Dinner was served and there was a tasty selection of chicken and tilapia - both were delicious.



Dennis Kent assists with traffic control at a Hunter's Creek event.

The high spot of the evening followed with the awarding of individual recognition. The Hunter's Creek contingent did quite well: Al Vaniska and Dennis Kent received ten-year service pins for their tenure with the agency; Fr. Doc Politan and his wife, Sue, received five-year pins for their service. Then the President's Volunteer Service awards were presented: Fr. Doc received a gold level award; Carlos Sant'Ana received a silver award in addition to a Certificate of Merit for the different functions that he had participated in over the year; and Bob Gold received a bronze service award for his service with the COP program and Task Force. The different levels are predicated on the number of hours served.

All in all, the Hunter's Creek folks sure did our community proud.



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By Marion Elden

May you and your families have a blessed Christmas and a happy Hanukkah!

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~ Agnes M. Pharo

Welcome new members: Pat Braley, Sonya Delaney, Theresa Migore, Sherry Soloff and Jean VanDyke.

Please mark your calendars accordingly for the **2013 Fab meetings** which are held the third Monday of every month, with the exception of February's meeting:

January	21
February	11
(second Monday due to President's Day)	
March	18
April	15
May	20
June	17
September	16
October	21
November	18

(Note: There are no meetings in July, August and December.)

December

The Fabs' 14th Annual Christmas Party will be held on Friday, December 14, beginning at 6:30 pm at Peace United Methodist Church (13502 Town Loop Blvd.), and catered by Flat Rocks Pizza and Pasta Co. There will be music, dancing and prizes,



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which will be raffled off during the evening. The cost is \$10 per person for Fabs who pay dues and \$15 per person for those who do not pay dues and for guests (guests are cordially invited). Please make checks payable to Deanna Greenman. For more information, call Marion at 407-855-3436. If possible, bring a gift certificate or an item for our Christmas raffle on the night of the Christmas party.


The Fabs' Breakfast Club meets at Hunter's Creek Golf Club's Creekside Grille every Monday at 9:30 am. Just drop by and join us.



Luncheon at Pannulos, Winter Park



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For more info on The Fabs, an organization for FABulous women... from 50 years of age to infinity...call Marion at 407-855-3436. 

Bunco will be held the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Osprey Park Recreation Center. The cost is \$5. Bring your own snacks. Please contact Cory at 407-247-4084 if you plan on attending.

Reminders

- * Please sign up for the refreshment list at our meetings.
- * Terri DePolo chairs our telephone call list (for Fabs without e-mail).
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Sewing Angels

By Gwen Winemiller



The Sewing Angels of Hunter's Creek just finished making 574 Christmas stockings. These stockings will be sent to Ft. Campbell, Kentucky, to join 2,100 other stockings, which will be sent to our troops serving in Afghanistan. Thanks to the generous contribution of Linda and Bill Ryan, we were able to make these Christmas stockings. Upon arrival at Ft. Campbell, the stockings will be filled with goodies and then sent along to Lt. Col. Ryan and the men and women of the 101st Combat Aviation Brigade. These troops will be spending the holidays away from their homes and families and we owe them a debt of gratitude. Special thanks to everyone who helped make this happen in time for Veteran's Day. 📷



Hunter's Creek Running Club

By Amanda Caraway

Supporting America's Finest, One Mile at a Time

In life, you have those moments that help define who you are. Making it to the finish line in front of Arlington National Cemetery on Sunday, October 28 during the 37th Marine Corps Marathon was one of those moments for me, and a moment I will never forget!



Me with my medal!

Walking up to the airline gate early Friday morning and being greeted by 25 familiar faces was just the beginning. I was tired from late night packing and nervous about the flight, but all of that took a backseat when I saw the faces of the people I had spent months training with. The Hunter's Creek Running Club is more than just a group of runners; we are a family. I was taking a trip to our nation's capital with my running family.

So many memories were made on this once-in-a-lifetime trip. One of my favorite memories was of our amazing bus tour on Friday night, arranged by Shelley and Don, which took us all through Washington, DC, and allowed us to see so much of the

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Everyone is still smiling at the end of the race. We met by the letter "H" for Hunter's Creek.

beautiful city, including the many metro station stories along with the 207' escalator at the Rosslyn Metro Station that we had to ride several times a day. It's nice to know that Christine and I could rely on Augustina to help

us overcome our fear of this four-minute ride. Then there was our fearless and well-prepared metro guide, Cynthia. She had quite a time trying to help 30+ people navigate the crowded metro trains and not leaving anyone behind. And, of course, our brilliant idea the night before the race to take the metro to the start/finish and walk back to the hotel. Who knew Arlington



The expo near the stadium where the Washington Redskins play.

Station closed at 7:00 pm? Sitting on the ground at the Pentagon City station for 20 minutes waiting for the train to take us back to Rosslyn station would have been annoying if not for the entertaining company!

Getting food with a group is always an adventure, like wandering the steep hills of Georgetown, look-

ing for a pancake breakfast. For those of you wondering, there are no pancakes in Georgetown, but we did find some delicious Belgian waffles! And then, there was the after-breakfast snack: the famous and yummy Georgetown cupcakes! Definitely worth the 30 minute wait in line. Carb loading the night before a race is very important, and getting the whole group together for a family dinner was an amazing event put together by Melanie, made so much more special by a visit from Caitlin, our future doctor currently studying in New Jersey, who made the three-hour train ride to be there with us. But the most special meal came on Saturday morning when Ivan, the world's greatest husband, surprised his beautiful wife, Bonnie, by flying in on their 22nd anniversary so that he could be there to cheer her on!

Then there was the post-race pizza party and Hurricane Sandy. We were all sitting around relaxing, resting, and discussing our race stories, when suddenly everyone's phones rang at the same time. The mood in the room changed as we all listened to the airline recording saying that our flight home scheduled for the next day had been cancelled.



Post-race pizza party, proudly displaying Marine Corps shirts and medals.

The room became abuzz with frantic chatter and nervous runners, all wondering how they were going to get home. Most of us have jobs and families that we were anxious to return to, and no one wanted to stay in the area until Thursday,



Our group in front of the White House during a bus tour.



Hunter's Creek runners taking over the Capitol!

waiting out the storm and paying for extra nights in a hotel room. Luckily, Kerri has some great family connections, and she was able to secure three minivans to get us home. Cynthia and I were able to leave a little earlier by hitching a ride home with an incredibly generous running couple, Jill and Keith.

These were amazing times



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and I will hang on to these memories for a lifetime. But the truly defining moment of the trip was the final .2 miles of the race. For those who don't know, a marathon is 26.2 miles, and as Rita says, that final .2 is very important. This was a difficult race that consisted of a lot of hills, but was made so much sweeter by the thousands of cheering supporters. At mile 25, I was mesmerized by the number of people lined up as I approached the arches of the start line for the second time. I passed underneath them and then ran past the 26-mile marker. My thighs were screaming as I turned a corner and realized that the final .2 miles to the finish, the end where there was water and food waiting, was all uphill. I heard the groans of the people beside me, and I even saw some of them slow to a walk. This was the moment that I began to cry - not because of the hill, but because of the emotions that were rising up inside of me - the feelings I knew were waiting for me at the top of that hill.

People running near me began to stare at me, and one guy asked if I was ok. When I told him I was just emotional, he smiled and said, "We're almost there!" I crossed the finish line with a smile on my face and tears streaming down my cheeks. Jenny was there and she gave me a hug, which only produced more tears. They became uncontrollable when a Marine put my hard-earned medal around my neck and saluted me. I forgot about my aching thighs, the hunger pains, the dry mouth, and I enjoyed the moment...my moment. It wasn't about my finish time, it was about the accomplishment and my defining moment was unforgettable! 



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2012 HCCA Annual Meeting

By Denise Sedon

There was a nice turnout at the 25th Annual Meeting of the Hunter's Creek Community Association, held on Thursday, November 1 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall. We sincerely appreciate the attendance and participation of our residents.

The meeting was called to order by HCCA Board President Joe Overberger, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Joe offered his thoughts and prayers to those who have been affected by Hurricane Sandy, knowing that many present had family and friends in the path of the storm.

HCCA General Manager John Rasnic introduced the current Board members and the Management staff of Hunter's Creek; he also mentioned the additional HCCA employees that serve on their neighborhood committees.

Current Board members completing their two-year terms received a plaque, presented to them by Pete Zieg, chairperson of the Appreciation Committee. Those recognized were President Joe Overberger, Vice President Pete Zieg, Directors Duane Beaudry, Barbara Burns and John Fields.


Next on the agenda was the explanation of the election of directors for open Board seats. There were four Class A (single family homes) seats open - three were expiring two-year terms and the fourth seat was open due to the appointment of Duane Beaudry, who was appointed to fill the late Dave Shirk's position until the next election. There were six nominees - incumbents Duane Beaudry (Cypress Pointe), John Fields (Baddock Oaks), Joe Overberger (Chalfont) and Pete Zieg (Flora Vista) all ran for re-election, along with Bob Anders (Flora Vista) and Denny Del Prince (Ocita). There was only one Class B (multi-family) position available, and Barbara Burns (The Parks) was chosen by acclamation. Residents Jack Callender and Joe Goukler volunteered to tabulate the votes, along with HCCA Controller Eric Lopez. The election was overseen by Nominating Committee members Maureen Edwards, Angela Hall, Jim Kern and Carole Scheinler.

As votes were being tallied, Sgt. Raul Fernandez gave a brief presentation on crime in Hunter's Creek. He stated that ten Community Alert Network (CAN) notices had been sent out to residents in this calendar year; they are always posted on the home page of the



website for one week and recently started going out via Facebook as well. He also spoke of the liability that the Sheriff's Office could incur, as well as the problems it could cause for victims, by giving out actual addresses of where crimes are committed. He invited residents to go online to www.ocso.com and research crime in our zone (45C); however, a range of addresses is given rather than an actual location. This also deters residents from becoming complacent. Sgt. Fernandez stressed that crime is mobile and quickly moves from neighborhood to neighborhood. Fortunately, crime in most categories this year shows a decrease. We thank Sgt. Fernandez and all our off-duty deputies for the great job that they do for Hunter's Creek.

Next on the agenda was President Joe Overberger, who narrated a PowerPoint presentation that detailed major events that took place in Hunter's Creek since November 2011. There were some very notable highlights this year, and this was a great way to remember all the good (and the bad) that defined this past year in Hunter's Creek history.


After the slide show, General Manager John Rasnic announced that the four incumbents had been re-elected. The meeting was concluded as John thanked everyone that agreed to participate in the election process by running for a seat on the Board. We are so very fortunate to have residents who are willing to serve their community and we appreciate their dedication. 

Women's Cancer Support Group of Hunter's Creek

By Cheryl Rein

Set aside Monday, December 10 for our annual Christmas party! Every year, we gather for this social event to relax, have a good time and enjoy the friendships we have made. This year the party will begin at 7:00 pm at Fresco Cucina Italiana (Fresco's) at 7603 Turkey Lake Road, Orlando 32819. Please check their website at www.frescoorlando.com for menu choices and directions.

After dinner, we will hold a Christmas ornament exchange. Spouses are welcome and Fresco's has agreed to accommodate everyone with separate checks. Please come join us for a great evening. Reservations are required, so please RSVP no later than December 7 to Cheryl Rein at cherylrein@aol.com (407.854.3917) or Patty Langebartels at lange15@bellsouth.net (407.438.1200).

Also, mark your calendars for Monday, January 14 to attend our next meeting. Our meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Hunter's Creek Town Hall. All women are welcome to attend our meetings where we offer a short program, share our stories and offer support and hope to our members. 

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4 Paws 4 the Cause

By Carol MacKeen



The Fourth Annual Dogtoberfest, held on October 13 in The Village at Hunter's Creek, was another huge success. There were vendors, a doggie costume contest and a great walk to support an even greater cause...taking a bite out of cancer!

Thank you to everyone who joined us and we look forward to seeing all of you again at next year's event.



HUNTER'S CREEK

Women's Association

By Cindy Duque Bonilla, Vice President

Thanksgiving Celebration and Holiday News



On November 1, the ladies of Hunter's Creek kicked off the holiday season with their annual Thanksgiving potluck, giving thanks for the many blessings and special friendships they have formed. During the meeting, the

membership voted to approve certain donations to needy families in our community for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. All of the monies

raised from various community service activities, including the Hunter's Creek Garage Sale, are

used to help our local community in various ways, including helping young teenage mothers in need, our local schools, the elderly, the homeless, and many others affected by the tough economy. The membership also



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decided to plan a group trip to the 106.7 Baby DJ Fund Headquarters, where we will volunteer to help families obtain much needed assistance, food, Christmas toys and Christmas trees for the holiday season. Finally, the HCWA will also have a group of volunteers at our Annual Holiday Concert in the Park where we will offer various craft activities for young children.

The Holiday Spirit

With the holiday season in full swing, let us stop and take a deep breath...and remember what the holidays are really about. Christmas is a time to stop and be thankful for the many blessings in our lives and also to stop and GIVE of ourselves to try and make a positive difference to others. Giving does not only mean giving money...there is so much more each one of us can give to brighten up another's day and holiday season. You can GIVE a smile, compliment, your time to share with folks who are lonely during the holidays, and your talents of cooking, art, decorating, singing, cleaning, taking care of children and so much more. Look around you and you will see that there are many ways you can make a difference and GIVE just a little bit of yourself to others during the holiday season.



December Holiday Dinner

Thursday, December 6
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The cost of dinner for HCWA members will be \$25 per person. The HCWA will cover the difference in the dinner cost for HCWA members only (excluding alcoholic beverages).

We will have a gift card exchange. Please bring a \$10 gift card from one of your favorite shops!

Please RSVP to Cindy at cduque@duquelaw.com immediately to ensure an accurate head count.

Fall Garage Sale Update

The HCWA Fall Garage Sale was another success and, just like after the spring sale, the Goodwill truck went around from neighborhood to neighborhood to the homes registered for the sale to collect items that didn't sell (and the homeowners were ready to part with). Goodwill's Director of Donor Services, Victoria Gonzalez, sent us an update on the items collected and what it means to Goodwill Industries. They ended up collecting 8,543 pounds of donations. It takes approximately 24 pounds of donations to provide job training to one individual. So, the remnants of the Hunter's Creek Fall Garage Sale will now provide training to approximately 356 people in our local community. Add that to the 5,352 pounds collected from Hunter's Creek spring sale for a total of 13,895 pounds donated and 579 people will receive free job training this year as a result of both events.

Ms. Gonzalez also wanted to pass along the results of opening the Goodwill Donation Xpress in Hunter's Creek. By the end of the first weekend, over 100 donors had dropped off items...just another example of Hunter's Creek residents helping out. 



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Dog Park Committee News

By Gaye Johnson, Committee Member

Boarding Your Dog

The holiday season is upon us and many pet owners will travel to visit family and friends but will not be able to take their pet along. They may be in need of a boarding facility. Two of the more common types of boarding services are kennels and in-home boarding. Kennels, the most well-known, are easy to find, but a rather new option that is becoming quite popular is in-home boarding, where your dog stays in the home of the boarding host. In either case, homework must be done to ensure the kennel or home is the right place for your dog.

Kennel Boarding: Before you entrust your dog to a kennel, schedule a visit. Check that the facility is clean and offers comfortable accommodations. Ask about their procedures and routines - are they bonded with insurance policies in place? How frequently are dogs fed, exercised and socialized? Are dogs grouped by personality or are they all in one room together? How many dogs does each kennel employee supervise? While you're there, take a look at how secure the facility is and look for any ways that a small dog might be able to sneak out.

Another good question to ask is if the facility is monitored 24 hours a day by on-site staff. If not, what is their procedure for checking on pets during the night? If their answers don't satisfy you, you may want to look for another boarder.



Happy holidays from the Hunter's Creek Dog Park Committee!



Make sure your dog has everything required to be boarded. Almost all kennels require that dogs be spayed or neutered (except for puppies and show dogs) and up-to-date on vaccinations. This is to protect other dogs and yours. Never board your dog in a facility that doesn't require vaccinations. Your dog could come home with a life-threatening illness if a sick dog enters the kennel at the same time.

Some boarding facilities don't allow people to visit the actual boarding area where dogs are kenneled. However, there should always be a way to view the boarding area, whether through a window or via another method, such as a webcam. Don't leave your dog with the kennel unless you can see the area your dog will actually be staying in.

Many kennels offer more than just boarding, such as a vet on staff for any health concerns (emergency veterinary care should also be available), dog grooming, bathing, and training. This might be a good time to pamper your pet while you're away!

In-Home Boarding: In-home boarding is a surprisingly reasonably priced service. Once you've decided on in-home boarding, research various host profiles to see who is in your area, if they are available and who best matches your dog's personality. Some websites offer photos and searches by location, zip code, number of pets in the home, etc. When you have selected a few potential hosts, contact them to determine a good fit. Let the host know your dog's habits and quirks. If your dog is a high maintenance princess that needs to be the center of attention (hey, no judging!), a host that doesn't have other dogs may be the ideal fit.

On the other hand, if your pup needs to be social, a host with their own dogs will provide your pet some friends with which to play. Similarly, an extremely high-energy dog needs to spend his days walking and staying active, so you would more likely consider a host who works from home and can give him extra attention. Other considerations are size, the host's experience and the ability to customize your dog's routines. Lastly, schedule a time to meet and greet to get a feel for compatibility, surroundings and environment. Don't rely on online or phone communication.

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By Roy Figg, Dept. Manager

Busy Time of the Year Again

The HCCA Maintenance Department has had a busy year, working with the Recreation Department and helping to set up the many events at our parks and working with the many contractors that are constantly digging up Hunter's Creek.

As you may know, the new traffic signals are now operational at the intersection of Town Center and Hunter's Creek Boulevards. We worked closely with the contractor on the installation of these new lights and requested that main pole structures be installed on the center islands and not in front of the sidewalks at each side of the road. Visually, this makes a big difference. We also requested that they relocate the crossing button posts and fixtures as shown on their original plans. They were initially going to be installed dead center in front of our neighborhood sign walls. Orange County worked with us tirelessly and agreed to these changes; we certainly thank them for their cooperation.


The new water main pipeline installation has started at long last. After months of planning and many meetings with Orange County and their contractors, it is finally underway. Their work involves digging around many pipes, including our irrigation pipes that traverse the roadways. We meet daily to review this work and ensure that Hunter's Creek property is not damaged.

Contractors have also started digging along Town Center Blvd. to John Young Parkway to lay new fiber optic cable to the cell tower at Osprey Park, which will allow connection to the main cable that goes north and south on John Young Parkway. This work will involve shallow jack and bore work and open trench digging. We are constantly staying in communication to make sure that our infrastructure remains undamaged.

Contractors have also recently dug up and installed new cable on John Young Parkway, and some of our irrigation piping and wiring was damaged as a result. We have been in touch with them and they have been billed for repairs. They also laid sod back over their trench work and used St. Augustine sod when as we all know that the grass along the roadway is Bahia. We have asked them to replace this grass with the correct variety.

Our landscape and spray contractors have struggled throughout the rainy season, but have done a great job in making sure that Hunter's Creek continues to be the "21st Best Place to Live in America."

Last, but not least, I am very proud of the Hunter's Creek Maintenance staff. They carry out their work daily with pride at being a part of this beautiful community and with smiles on their faces.

Hopefully, you see what I see when I am out and about...that Hunter's Creek is a beautiful place to live. 

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Endeavor Elementary School

Submitted by Regina Hellinger

Endeavor Elementary fifth grade students have been enjoying a special book club that meets every two weeks to discuss a



different Sunshine State book. Any fifth grade student that reads the book and passes the Accelerated Reader quiz is welcome to attend. The book club meets at 8:15 am on Fridays. Students that attend are also treated to a special breakfast item. So far, the book club has discussed *Aliens on Vacation*, *The Familiars*, *Edgar Allan's Official Crime Investigation Notebook* and *Fortune's Magic Farm*. Students have enjoyed meeting to discuss the books. Fifth grade student Jared Campos said, "I like to come to book club and hear what others are saying about the book. It makes me excited to read!"



Hunter's Creek Elementary School

Submitted by Ellen Patterson

First Grade Learns Fire Safety

By Kathy Bowers, Karen Clements and Teri Faucette

During October, the first graders of HCES learned all about fire safety and fire prevention. They were fortunate enough to be visited by two parents who are firefighters for Orange and Osceola Counties, who shared their experiences and told the students what to do to stay safe during a fire emergency. The students were able to try on real firefighter gear and learn about the importance of having a fire safety plan at home AND school. Do you have your fire safety plan yet? If not, we encourage you to take this time to sit with your family and make one together.



Second Grade Goes Batty Over Bat Centers

By Jean Heredia

On October 31, the second graders participated in bat centers. This was a culminating activity after a weeklong study of nocturnal animals. Students used their super sense of smell like that of a fruit bat and guessed different kinds of fruits. They also categorized and graphed the insects (gummies) gathered and eaten on a night of hunting as micro bats. They created a map key to show where different bats live in the world. They "hunted" different colored toothpicks to discuss how camouflage helps nocturnal animals hide from predators. Finally, just for fun, students created an original and unique bat mask. Parent volunteers helped to make the bat centers a fun and educational experience for our second graders.



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Student Council at HCES

By Kristen Skinner

The HCES Student Council is off to a strong start! There are many service projects planned for the school year, starting with our annual Fall Food Drive and the fun Turkey Topper Day. Pasta for Pennies will take place during the month of February and benefits the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Student Council also donated to the school's Habitat for Humanity service project and will hold clean up days in the spring. Student Council elections were held at the beginning of October; the candidates ran an excellent campaign! The officers for the 2012-2013 school year are President - Isabella Giasullo; Vice President - David Roy; Secretary - Andrew Osson; Treasurer - Joey Kaminski.



Mrs. Crispin Hydock
2012 Teacher of the Year

Mrs. Hydock has been a member of the HCES family for ten years, serving as a fourth grade teacher, team leader, School Advisory Council representative and chair of our Vertical Writing Committee.

Even before she joined our staff, we knew her as a supportive parent and volunteer. Her Girl Scout group was instrumental in creating and sustaining our Garden of Learning and over the years, as a member of our staff, she has nurtured and enhanced this unique place of beauty on our campus.

Mrs. Hydock is recognized as an innovator and is an approachable and eager resource for colleagues. Her collaborative efforts have resulted in cross-curricular lessons with the media specialist, an OCPS Foundation grant, an award-winning STEM afterschool program, and a school wide "Science Buddies" program that pairs older and younger students for hands-on experiences in science. She has organized and presented professional development to teachers and has created engaging parent workshops, both of which have received accolades.

Mrs. Hydock establishes a climate of kindness that provides the atmosphere for her students to blossom and thrive. The parents appreciate how she is able to reach each learner with what he or she needs. If you should

see her around the area, please give her your congratulations as well!

HCES Support Person of the Year

By Oscar Sanchez, Assistant Principal

It is our pleasure to nominate Ms. Connie Kiewel as our Support Person of the Year for HCES! Ms. Kiewel is a hardworking member of our staff and has dedicated herself to HCES for the past 17 years. She supports the school in so many ways by taking care of critical needs in the administrative area as well as being our bookkeeper. She is an essential part of the



Ms. Connie Kiewel
2012 Support Person of the Year

successful operation of the front office. She demonstrates exceptional skill and determination in the performance of her job responsibilities. Ms. Kiewel has definitely earned the respect and admiration of teachers, staff, students and parents. Next time you see Ms. Kiewel, please give her your congratulations!

Habitat for Humanity Service Project Update

By Kathryn McCarthy

Thanks to the efforts of the students in all grades and the support of our student council and PTA, every grade level at Hunter's Creek Elementary will be represented by a brick at the Habitat for Humanity Global Village. These bricks support HfH's efforts to provide safe and affordable housing around the world!

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West Creek Elementary School

Submitted by Krista Bixler

Family Science Night

On Thursday, October 25, West Creek Elementary partnered with the Orlando Science Center for an Animal Gross Out Night. More than 300 scholars and their families spent the evening at 15



different science stations that included dissecting owl pellets, investigating pond water and observing scorpions. There was even a dissected squid! It was an amazing night of exploring the world of animals and learning that everyone can be a scientist!



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Walk to School Day

More than 200 students and parents laced up their sneakers and joined Ms. Bittick and Mrs. Bixler as they walked to school for National Walk to School Day. Everyone met at Vista Park and walked together to the school cafeteria where the **Fuel Up to Play 60** team greeted the walkers with fresh berry smoothies. The purpose of National Walk to School



Day is to promote healthier lifestyle habits and walking safety as well as to support a cleaner community environment. We look forward to walking with everyone again next year!

Milk Mustaches

Fuel Up to Play 60 is a program that teaches you how to be healthy and active in fun ways. The program was founded by the National Dairy Council and partners with the NFL with the goal to stop childhood obesity and encourage kids to live a healthier lifestyle.



Fuel Up to Play 60 recently celebrated Milk Day in order to teach and encourage our kids about the importance of drinking milk and eating foods that contain milk.



During the celebration, students were able to vote on the best tasting cheese and milk products, create artwork promoting



dairy foods and sport flavored-milk mustaches. Orange County Public School Chief of Staff Kathy Palmer joined the celebration with her very own berry yogurt mustache.



Hunter's Creek Middle School

Submitted by Sharon Powers

Athletics



Our students are soaring both academically and athletically this year. The boys' soccer team, under the direction of Coach John Friday, is the Orange County champion! In our 19 years of existence, it is our first soccer championship. It was a fitting end to an undefeated season. The championship game was a nail biter; here's a full recap from Athletic Director Doug Torborg:

"HCMS started with the ball on the opening kickoff and virtually the entire first half was played on the Union Park end of the field. Shot after shot rang out, hitting the posts on a few occasions, but none finding its way into the back of the Econs' net. A tremendous effort was given in the first 20 minutes, yet to no avail - the game remained scoreless at halftime.

The second half began as the first had: the majority of the action occurred on the Union Park side of the field. However, two minutes into the half, Union Park's best player burst through on a breakaway. Many in attendance felt he was 20 yards offside, which would have negated the goal, but nonetheless, the Econs went up 1-0. Goalie Lucas Wiggins (eighth grade) made a great initial save on the shot, but the ball bounded backwards high in the air and the UPMS player was able to head it into the goal. But wait, this story gets better...much better.

At the 16:33 mark of the second half, our Eagles responded and tied the score. Seventh grader Juan Aguirre had the ball in the right corner near the flag. Juan worked the ball around the defender and crossed the ball in the direction of eighth grader Bertie DeBiedma. Juan's pass glanced off of an Econ defender right to Bertie, who kicked the ball as hard as he could past the goalie. With the score tied 1-1 at the end of regulation, the game moved to a sudden-death "golden goal" five-minute period. If the game to this point had your heart rate up, the OT period would have really gotten your pulse pounding!

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With only two minutes left in sudden-death, eighth grader David Loera, who had been dominating the entire game, earned the game-winning assist. David passed the ball to a wide open Camilo Baquero (seventh grade) who settled the ball in front of the goal. With just the Econ goal keeper between him and victory, Camilo calmly stroked the ball past the goalie, and the Hunter's Creek crowd erupted in joy. Camilo's teammates mobbed him on the field in the form of a huge pile. Eagles won in OT, 2-1." Congratulations to the HCMS boys' soccer team!

Academics

Switching gears, one of our eighth grade students, Mariela Galliano-Rechani won third place in Red Ribbon Week contest and was awarded her ribbon during a ceremony at South Creek Middle School. Mariela wrote a wonderful poem entitled, "The Best Me is Drug Free." She also won a prize pack filled with gift certificates and goodies.



Alex Roach, an exceptional seventh grade reader, won second place in the OCPS Summer Reading Olympics. Alex read an astonishing amount online this past summer and was rewarded with a Kindle Fire. He read 186 books for a total time of 19:28:31.

We are so proud of both of these amazing students! 

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Freedom High School

Submitted by Bobby Rego

Performing Arts

The Pride of the Patriots Marching Band earned its TENTH CONSECUTIVE STRAIGHT SUPERIOR rating at the Florida Bandmasters Association District VIII High School Marching Band Music Performance Assessment. It was truly a special time as we closed out "Mad Men: Phases of Insanity."

Congratulations to Angel Velez and Daniela Restrepo who were selected to participate in the Tri-State Band Festival at Florida State University.

The FHS Performing Arts has commissioned Kevin Bobo, Percussion Professor at Indiana University (#2 music school in the country!), to write a brand new piece for Percussion Ensemble and Choir. Many of you may remember Kevin from his visit in 2011. He is such an amazing person and has agreed to work with us on the creation of this new piece, which we will be premiering at one of our spring concerts.

FHS is proud to announce that Sabrina Giordano made the Florida Music Educators Association All-State Guitar Ensemble! She is among only 33 high school students selected through auditions from around Florida to be a part of this elite ensemble. We are all so very proud of her accomplishment.

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to participate in the Festival of Winds at the University of South Florida: Stephanie Prescott, euphonium and Jennifer Dyshuk, oboe, both twelfth graders.



Freedom High School and the FHS Guitar Program are excited and proud to announce that one of our own groups, the FHS Guitar Orchestra, was selected to present a concert performance at the 2013 Florida Music Educators Association All-State Music Conference in Tampa this January. Only a select few high school music ensembles are selected to perform at this national music conference each year. In addition, the

FHS Guitar Orchestra will be performing in Long Island, New York, in March of 2013 at the Long Island Guitar Festival, a prestigious international event. To support our trip to New York, the Guitar Orchestra participated in the Hunter's Creek Community Garage Sale on November 3. Another fundraiser was a spaghetti dinner on November 13, hosted by the FHS Guitar Orchestra and the Patriot Philharmonic Orchestra. Music was provided to our guests by both groups over the course of the evening.

Created in 2007-08 school year by Director Christopher Perez, the FHS Guitar Program has grown quickly in its musical artistry and is now recognized as one of the best programs of its kind in Florida. For more information or to support our New York trip, please visit <https://teacher.ocps.net/christopher.perez/> or contact Mr. Perez at Christopher.Perez@ocps.net.

The following students, selected to participate in the 2012 All-County Orchestra, joined forces with students across OCPS for a concert at FHS the second weekend of November: Violin - Fresia Urdaneta, Chika Yoshida and Nancy Capetilla; Cello - Jessica Corners, Lisa Coyne and Kendrick Hiew; Bass - Ayaka Nishikawa and Sophia Rijos.

Athletics

Sophomore golfer Courtney Zeng was selected as one of the *Orlando Sentinel* School Stars for being a standout student/athlete with a 4.2 GPA and participation in tutoring Advanced Placement Students. Congratulations, Courtney!

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Come Celebrate 10 Years with Us!

On Tuesday, December 4, 20 food trucks will convene on the FHS track from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm, while the FHS band plays in the background. This event is open to the community.



On Friday, December 5, we will be holding a formal 10-year celebration in our auditorium from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. This event is by invitation only.

The celebration will continue as Freedom hosts a fun-filled carnival to include some great rides, games and food.

Thursday, December 6 from 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Friday, December 7 from 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

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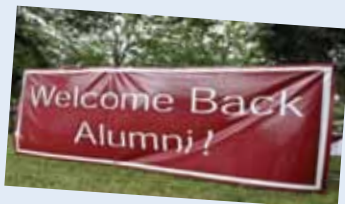


Freedom High School continued...

Freedom Alumni Celebration

On behalf of Freedom High School, the SGA would like to thank the following 58 Alumni Patriots that came home to participate in the 2012 Homecoming Game festivities. We look forward to seeing even more of you in attendance at the 10 Year Celebration Alumni Social on Saturday, December 8 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm in the FHS cafeteria!

Daniel Alvarez 2012, Nick Amburgly 2011, Robinson Alvarez 2012, Andrea Andrade 2011, Adrian Berrio 2011, Paige Bigio 2012, Gilbert Borquez 2012, Andrew Braun 2011, Josh Brennan 2012, Tori Byerly 2012, Luis Camejo 2012, Enrique Casco 2011, Geena Catalano 2010, Carlos China 2012, Carmen Ciliberti 2011, Dalton Connell 2012, Alfredo Damelio 2011, Eric Delgado 2012, Will Dezern 2012, Erica Diaz 2012, Michelle Diaz 2008, Josie Duran 2012, Jonathan Echavarria 2010, Fabrizio Forti 2012, Adam Free 2010, Dominic Golia 2004, Taylor Griffin 2012, Heather Hansen 2004, Kalienne Hubilla 2012, Parker Johns 2012, Rebecca Jimenez 2012, Jamie Jones 2009, Casey Kealy 2007, John Kealy 2006, Dimitri Kopansky 2011, Hana Lanichi 2012, Garion Liberti 2012, Vukansen Marc 2011, Carmen Marrero 2005, Alexa Melendez 2011, Melissa Mota 2005, Kelsey Murphy 2012, Glendy Najera 2012, Nadine Ohayon 2012, Ilan Ontiveros 2012, Kimberly Renesca 2008, Coralys Rivera 2010, Joanne Rodriguez 2012, Paola Romero 2012, Adrian Ruiz III 2011, Alexis Sacasas 2012, Joseph Salerno 2008, Abbey Shipman 2007, Ariana M. Simpson 2012, John Strabelli 2012, Kim Tran 2012, Thomas Valentine 2012, Victoria Weiss 2012.



Hunter's Creek Motorcycle Association

By Rick & Lisa Sparveri



December...the last month of the year. The shortest day with the least amount of daylight comes in December, and so does the beginning of winter.

As we end the year, we reflect back on the last twelve months and remember all the great rides, the dinner events, all the new members of our group, all the times with great friends and all the fundraising events we participated in. We attended fundraising events throughout Central Florida and into Southern Georgia. Our participation helped raise over \$12,000 and supported Toys for Tots, the American Cancer Society/Relay For Life, Police Athletic League, Fallen Police Officer Funds, Susan G. Komen for a Cure, Bikers Against Child Abuse, Camp Boggy Creek and several other great Central Florida organizations.



As we say goodbye to fall, we remember what a great month November was: a nice turnout for the dinner ride to the Brick House on I-Drive and Relay For Life of Hunter's Creek, where we were invited to join in for opening ceremonies. HCMA has participated in the Relay For Life opening ceremonies for the last few years, and we have made the Color of Cancer Flags as a type of color guard to represent all types of cancer. We rode in Relay as a symbolic way to represent the loudness of the message that Relay For Life is sending to cancer and as a way to support all survivors. We stay for the first few laps to applaud all the survivors and caregivers for the battle that they are fighting or have won.



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HCMA donated a total of \$6,800 to three relay teams: Sam's Club, The Relay Housewives of HC and The Happy Campers. In total, the HC Relay For Life raised over \$245,000 and the money is still being counted. Way to go, Amy Benison, chair of the event, and all teams supporting this event! Thank you to all who joined in the ride to make it a success and then joined us back at the Ale House of HC.



We would like to end the year with a Christmas wish for all:
May the spirit of Christmas bring you Peace,
The gladness of Christmas give you Hope,
The warmth of Christmas grant you Love.

If you ride, please come and enjoy this beautiful weather and take a ride with our HCMA family. Our monthly meeting is on the second Wednesday of each month at Buffalo Wings & Rings. There are no dues - just great conversation and food with neighbors and friends.



Dec. 1 - Second Annual Toys for Tots Car Show; Orlando H-D East at 11:00 am



Dec. 12 - Meeting at Buffalo Wings & Rings at 7:00 pm

Dec. 20 - Thursday Dinner Ride - Kickstands up at 6:30 pm at Miller's Ale House

Dec. 29 - Saturday Ride (to be determined)

We now say goodbye to 2012 and hello to 2013! Ride safe! 📶



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Cub Scouts News

By Amy Maza

Happy Holidays from Pack 498!



The Cub Scouts continue to have a busy year! The Tigers, Wolves and Bears are working on completing their belt loops, and the Webelos are working on their Webelos advancement toward Boy Scouts. Everyone is gearing up for our big camping trip to Disney's Fort Wilderness.

A large part of scouting is becoming involved in the community. Our pack has adopted "grandparents" at the Spring Hills Assisted Living facility. We visited our grandparents for Halloween. We enjoyed reading "not-so-scary" stories to the residents, and then helped them make Halloween door hangers to decorate their rooms in preparation for the holiday. We will be returning to visit our grandparents in December and to help them make a special decoration for the winter season.

Pack 498 celebrated Halloween by visiting stations created by each of the different dens: Smell If You Dare, Taste If You Dare, Touch If You Dare and Bobbing for Apples. Everyone came dressed in their Halloween costumes and the night was a great success!



Coming soon will be the popular Scout Cards with discounts for Publix and other local businesses. A portion of the sales go to the pack to help our Scouts go to summer camp and participate in other activities. Keep in touch with your favorite Pack 498 Scout to find out more! 📶



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Molly Maid	407-282-9200	27
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Ata Dental Associates	407-870-5151	28
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Dr. Richard Gill, Orthodontics	407-857-0800	5
Dr. Marfori, Pediatric Dentistry	407-859-1418	39
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Eyedeal Vision	407-856-7000	16
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Animal Services	407-254-9140
Commissioner Scott Boyd (Dist. 1)	407-836-7350
Garbage/Recycling/Yard Waste	407-836-6601
Library (South Creek Branch)	407-835-7323
Mosquito Control	407-254-9120
Poison Information Center	800-222-1222
Fire/Sheriff (emergency)	9 1 1
Sheriff (non-emergency)	407-836-HELP (4357)
Water Authority (OC Utilities)	407-836-5515
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Orange County Public Schools	
Superintendent Ronald Blocker	407-317-3202
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West Creek Elementary	407-858-5920
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Representative Daniel Webster (8th District)	407-841-1757
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Post Office (South Creek Branch)	407-855-6568

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Florida Hospital - Kissimmee	407-846-4343
Orlando Regional - Dr. Phillips	407-351-8500
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Items that are lost at parks and common areas are sometimes turned in to the Association office at Town Hall, where a **Lost and Found** box is located.

For information on these topics and many others, go to www.hunterscreek.net and mouse over the *Your Community* tab in the toolbar; you may then choose from the menu items that are of interest to you. You may also call the Town Hall, located at 14101 Town Loop Blvd., at 407-240-6000 for answers to your questions.


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By Carol MacKeen

Troop 2065 Giving Back and On the Go!

The Girl Scouts of Troop 2065 are very busy these days performing community service. In November, the troop volunteered at the 11th Annual "The Faces Behind the Miracles" breakfast at the First Baptist Church of Orlando, providing help with the complete set up of this special event benefiting UCP of Central Florida, an organization that supports special needs children.

The Girl Scouts program helps to foster character and confidence in young girls through their many skill-building programs.




In addition, the girls recently took a field trip to Maile Image, Modeling and Acting School in Winter Park, where they participated in a hands-on workshop that included building confidence, proper introductions, skin care, makeup application, etiquette, manners, proper cell phone usage and safety when texting.

In November, Troop 2065 participated in the Power Lab in Leesburg and took the Air Craft Tour program. The girls will participate in the Stem Training NASA event in December, as well as the CSI Adventure Lock-In. Girl Scout Troop 2065 is on the move!

The Girl Scouts of Green Oaks Service Unit collected food for the Taft Community Center, which fed 30 families. The Service Unit will also host a Toy Drive in December to provide toys to those families who are having a difficult time this year.

Pet Food Drive and Walk Event

The Green Oaks Girl Scouts were present at the Fourth Annual 4 Paws 4 the Cause Dog Walk event, participating in the opening ceremony with the flag ceremony performed by the Young Marine Corps. Girl Scouts Leila and Allison sang the National Anthem. Girl Scout Troop 1420 helped by running the Pet Food Drive booth. The girls will deliver the pet food collected to the SPCA. 

BULLETIN BOARD

**Holiday Concert
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Saturday, December 8
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Osprey Park

Town Hall Meetings

Board of Directors
Thursday, December 6
3:00 pm

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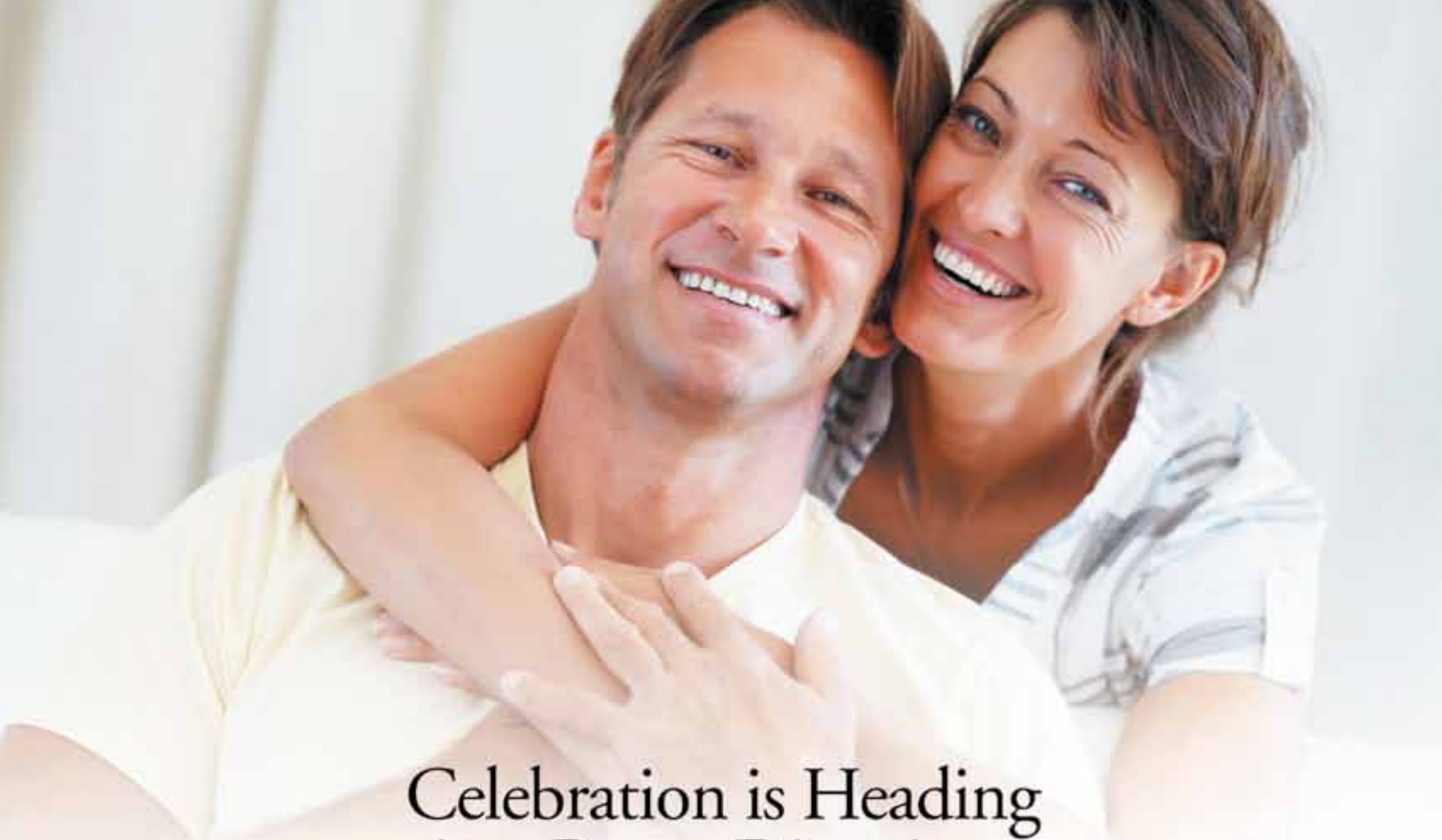
There will be no garbage collection on Christmas Day or New Year's Day!

The Town Hall and Osprey Park Recreation Center will be closed on 12/24, 12/25, 12/31 and 1/1. The staff at HCCA wishes you and yours a joyous holiday season!

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