

# The Oak Creek Village

Community News

The Official Neighborhood Publication for January, 2020 - [www.oakcreekvillage.org](http://www.oakcreekvillage.org)

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*Happy New Year!*

*The Rat is the first of all Chinese zodiac animals. According to Legend, the Jade Emperor said the order would be decided by the order in which they arrived to his party!*



### Sports Night At The Pearl Fincher Museum Of Fine Arts

The Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts will host "Sports Night at the Pearl" on Saturday, January 25, 2020.

An annual favorite, Sports Night will feature a panel discussion with John McClain, Dale Robertson and radio personality John Lopez who, with their combined 120 years of experience covering sports in Houston, are the city's leading sports "opinionators."

The event begins at 6 p.m. Saturday, January 25, and includes dinner by Jackson & Company, an auction of sports-related items, and Dale Robertson's favorite wine picks. This year's event is

chaired by Dr. David Chenault.

Tickets are now on sale, with tables ranging from \$2,500 to \$5,000 and individual tickets at \$250. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. For details, visit [pearlma.org](http://pearlma.org) or call (281) 376-6322.

This year's Sports Night will be held in the Main Gallery of the Pearl, and will offer a sneak peek at the museum's spring exhibitions before they open to the public. The Spring 2020 exhibitions include "Saved by a Horse," by equestrian artist Lesley Humphrey, who has served as the official artist of the Kentucky Derby, as well as "Stitched: Contemporary Quilt Art from the International Quilt Festival Collection." Both exhibitions open to the public on February 1.

## Deed Restrictions Corner

*Food for thought.....  
Is your yard ready for the New Year?*

**Ready to do exterior home improvement?** Use the form included in December Newsletter or you can go to <http://oakcreekvillage.org> > Info For Residents > Architectural Control Application > Submit to [christidgutz@yahoo.com](mailto:christidgutz@yahoo.com) for review by the board.

**Curious about our Deed Restrictions?** Go to <http://oakcreekvillage.org> > Info For Residents > Deed Restrictions

### The Power of Volunteerism By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center

I often say that I'm working harder now as a volunteer president of a board of directors than I ever did as a paid employee. The hours are long, the work can be frustrating, and worrying about keeping our doors open is very stressful. But all it takes is for me to hold a tiny, helpless little opossum in my hand or witness the release of an animal back to the wild and I know why I do it. A sense of calm and purpose takes over and I feel great about what I'm doing.

People volunteer for a number of reasons. Some are retired and are looking for something meaningful to do. Some are students wanting to learn more about their chosen field of study. Some feel it's a way to pay it forward and some don't have a choice. They have to complete court-ordered community service.

I think we would all agree that helping others makes a person feel good but did you know that studies show there are health benefits from volunteering? According to Rodlescia Sneed, a public health research associate at Michigan State University

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## OCV Executive Board

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Emergency, Police, Medical, Fire.....	911
Ambulance.....	281 440-4300
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Crisis Hotline.....	713 527-9864
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Sheriff, Harris County.....	713 221-6000
Water & Sewage (24 hour Emergency).....	281 376-8802
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- (report neglected swimming pool).....	713 274-6300

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**The deadline for the next issue of the OCV Community News is January 15!**

## OCV Community Association Board of Directors Meeting Reminder



**Tuesday, January 14th at 8:00pm**

Residents are reminded that the Oak Creek Village Community Association Board of Directors normally meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm. As always, all residents are invited and encouraged to attend. Anyone wishing to present ideas to the Board should call a Board member prior to the meeting so we may allot time for you on the agenda.

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For a complete list of acceptable recycle items please visit  
[Http://www.oakcreekvillage.org/trash.html](http://www.oakcreekvillage.org/trash.html)

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- **Give two working days' notice before digging. (48 hours)**
- **Utility companies will mark the location of underground utility lines.**

Remember, you are responsible for marking your private lines such as invisible pet fences, sprinkler systems, yard lights and gas grill lines.

**Attention OCV Residents.** Non-commercial advertisements, classified ads and notices can be placed free of charge. Club information, birthdays and other important non-profit events are also welcomed! Letters to the editor are also accepted and published with your name. *Thank you.*

To report a streetlight out go to Centerpoint (713 207-2222)  
**Energy.com - (Get the 6 digit number off the pole)**

## Letter from the President

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Happy 2020. I “see” we have a great year ahead. (I couldn’t resist.) Thank y’all who decorated your houses and yards. Maybe next year we can get the contest going again. Would you believe we used to actually have a home tour, too? I also want to thank Elizabeth Davis for doing Breakfast with Santa, and Marilyn Bogle for the entrance décor. I also want to thank all the helpers who are too numerous to name.

We also used to recognize “Yard of the Month” but someone stole our sign and it just fizzled, (not the sign, the program.) Anyone want to start that up again? Maybe just “Yard of the Season.” And I promise we are going to have a Directory, if I can get enough help. I know I can.

Now, I have to complain. People, we’ve got to keep our pets in. One way is to be sure the boys are neutered, (special “sales” are offered occasionally) and for all of them, keep the gates shut and the fences intact. There are leash laws and deed restrictions. Cats count, too. Some of us would rather your cat didn’t lie in wait under our bird feeder and/or fertilize our flower bed. I know accidents happen, but let’s try harder.

Last, but definitely not least, I’d like to welcome Ooma Lakshmanan to the Board. We have been short a Board member since AJ passed and that has caused some problems with quorums. The last time I complained about being overworked (and definitely underpaid) she was on the phone right away. Ooma has lived here almost as long as I, has had a long career in real estate, and has helped us out on the Board before. She will serve until the election in April, at which time I hope you all will elect her to a complete term.

I’ve got more to say, but I think I’ll shut up for now.

Sharon Kuester, President

### OCV HOA BOD Meeting Minutes December 10<sup>th</sup> 2019

Meeting was called to order at 7.45 pm. Since there were only 3 board members present Jon Whisler called Sharon to approve the Secretary as the 4<sup>th</sup> member to start the meeting. It was voted and the meeting started.

The Board members present were Jon Whisler, Lloyd Bratton and Christi Gutierrez and Elizabeth Davis joined in a few minutes after the meeting was called to order. Home owners present were George Arreguin and Stacey McPherson.

The minutes of the November meeting was read and approved.

There was one correction to our November minutes which our Treasurer pointed out. A .50c increase to our Security fee starting in March 2020 was approved by the Board. This was a 1.69%

increase. It would be \$30 starting in March 2020.

Security report was read and approved.

Recreation report, no written report except that Elizabeth was working on Breakfast with Santa on the 21<sup>st</sup> of December.

Deed Restrictions – No written report, but there was a lot of discussion about dogs running loose without a leash. Christi would like our homeowners to respect our leash laws and keep the neighborhood safe.

Treasury report was read and approved. The Board approved to pay \$3430 to test the concrete strength near the parking lot. Also on December 15<sup>th</sup> our Treasurer needed an approval which was approved by the Board to pay an invoice in the amount of \$837.50

As there was no new business the meeting adjourned at 8.55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Ooma Lakshmanan – Secretary.

### OCV Community Association December 10, 2019 Treasurer Report

Financial Report –

Balance Sheet

The October 31, 2019 balance sheet shows \$652,339 in the bank.

Statement of Revenue & Expense

For October 2019, revenue was above budget by \$934 primarily due to timing of the Recreational income. Expenses were above budget by (\$876) was mainly due to timing of pool contract and maintenance expenses.

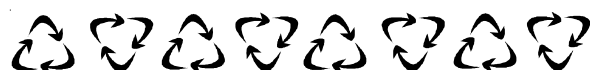
Transaction report

We had our normal operating expenses in the month of October.

Additional Notes:

Our 2020 Maintenance Fee of \$320 was approved at the last meeting and will be mailed out later this week and is due at the beginning of January 2020. If it is not paid by January 31<sup>st</sup> there will be fees and interest added to it until paid.

Our 2020 Security Fee being collected on the water bill in the amount of \$30.00 was approved at the last meeting and will be sent to Bammel UD for the March 2020 bill as April is when the annual contract for Security renews and that bill is due by 20<sup>th</sup> of March..





**Oak Creek Village Contract**  
**HCSO - SHERIFF Ed Gonzalez**  
**www.sheriff.hctx.net**  
**Captain J. Coons, District 1 Patrol**

**Calls for Service**  
**November 1-30**

	Total	Malloy	Segovia	Strong	Other
<b>Total</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>377</b>
ACCIDENT FSGI	1	0	0	0	1
ALARM LOCAL	3	1	0	0	2
ALARM REP SITE	1	0	0	0	1
ANIMAL AGGRESSIVE	1	0	0	0	1
ANIMAL HUMANE	1	0	0	0	1
BURG HABITATION	1	0	0	0	1
BURG MOTOR VEHICLE	1	1	0	0	0
CHECK PARK	9	0	9	0	0
CHILD CUSTODY DISP	1	0	0	0	1
CONTRACT CHECK	458	30	73	10	345
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	1	0	1	0	0
DIST FAMILY	1	0	0	0	1
DISTURBANCE LOUD NOISE	8	2	2	1	3
DOMESTIC PREVENT	1	0	0	0	1
FOLLOW UP	1	1	0	0	0
IN PROGRESS	1	0	0	0	1
INFORMATION CALL	3	0	0	0	3
MEET THE CITIZEN	5	0	0	2	3
MUD BUILDING CHECK	16	11	0	2	3
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	3	1	0	0	2
TRAFFIC INITIATIVE	20	20	0	0	0
TRAFFIC STOP	7	6	0	0	1
VACATION WATCH	4	0	1	1	2
VEHICLE STICKERED	3	3	0	0	0
VEHICLE SUSPICIOUS	2	0	0	0	2
WELFARE CHECK	3	0	1	0	2



**TEEN JOB SEEKERS**

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H=House Sitting S=Pool Help

Name	Age	Jobs	Phone
Dominique B.*	18	B+H+P	281-455-7397
Michelle P.	14	B+P	715-821-2280
Annette M.	16	B+H+P	281-455-7397
Keith	17	P	832-253-7816

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who has studied the impacts of volunteering, "In my own work I've shown it's linked to improvements in factors like depressive symptoms, purpose in life, and feelings of optimism." It's also been shown to lower blood pressure and reduces the feelings of depression.

Here's a list of all the benefits of volunteering according to Non-Profit Hub:

- Boosts self-esteem
- Expands your connections - some people are just born with the "gift of gab" and have no trouble talking to others. For those that tend to be shy, it's the perfect opportunity to make new friends with people who share the same interests.
- Makes you feel good
- Contributes to a longer life - volunteers encounter greater longevity and less frequency of heart disease. It can also slow the progress of Alzheimer's and other memory loss diseases.
- Gives purpose – as we age, we sometimes feel isolated but no matter who we are or what our age is, volunteering can give our lives new meaning.
- Combats stress – studies actually show the more you volunteer, the happier you become. Your body releases dopamine in the brain when you help others. This has a positive effect on how you feel.
- Sets a good example – as parents, our greatest hope is that our children grow up to be caring, giving adults. What better way to make that happen than to set a good example?
- Teaches new skills – we see it all the time. Volunteers are afraid to pick up a bird, a squirrel or opossum. With encouragement and instruction, they gain confidence and learn not only to pick them up but to feed them. You can see the pride on their faces!

Don't let fear stop you from volunteering. It's very much like  
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starting a new job and for those of you who work, you know how stressful that can be. Every non-profit knows how valuable volunteers are. Volunteers provide their time, energies and talents to help non-profits fulfill their missions. Most non-profits have limited budgets and volunteers are the reason many non-profits are able to operate and keep the bills paid.

The most important thing to remember is to do what interests you. Do you like working with senior citizens? The homeless? Dogs and cats? If you volunteer somewhere and find it's not for you, keep looking until you find your passion.

If caring for injured, orphaned or displaced wildlife is of interest to you, please contact us. Maybe you don't want to handle animals but would like to recruit fellow volunteers, work in fundraising or design brochures. We have many different areas where you can offer your time and talents. Give Berri a call at 713.468.8972.

Make a New Year's resolution to volunteer. You'll be pleasantly surprised how this will add to your life!

## Mercer Botanic Gardens January Calendar

*Children's Garden Whimsical Makeover,  
Cooking Thyme, and More!*

**Cooking Thyme: Hummus Two Ways, Wednesday, Jan. 15, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.** - Children will explore fresh food with

all five senses during the Cooking Thyme program at Mercer Botanic Gardens. They will learn the connections between plants and how to cook them. This free, hands-on opportunity equips children with the knowledge to make healthy food choices by allowing them to prepare and taste garden-fresh foods. Recipes are subject to change based on the availability of seasonal fruits and vegetables from Mercer's Vegetable Garden. Volunteer opportunities are available. *This program is for children ages 9 to 11. A parent or guardian must accompany children. Registration is required, and space is limited.*

### Ongoing Events

#### **Garden Tours, Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:30 a.m.**

Stroll through the gardens with a garden docent or staff member as seasonal color, perennial favorites, and more are highlighted. Tours are scheduled on Tuesday or Thursday mornings beginning at 8:30 a.m. Guided tours are provided for groups of 10 to 30 people and must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance. *Call 713-274-4160 to schedule.*

#### **North Side Greenhouse Team, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon**

Join a plant committee to grow plants year-round for events and sales or help with various projects from construction to irrigation! *Contact Mercer's volunteer coordinator at 713-274-4160 to sign up.*

#### **Gardening in the Tropical Garden, Tuesdays from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.**

Join a Mercer horticulturalist in the Tropical Garden to work with palms, plumerias, bamboo, and special collections. Wear closed-toe shoes and bring a wide-brim hat, sunscreen, and water. Tools and gloves will be provided. *Volunteers must be 16 or older. Children between 12 and 15 may only volunteer with a parent or guardian present. Please contact Mercer's volunteer coordinator at 713-274-4160 in advance to schedule a visit.*

#### **Gardening in the Native and Shakespeare Gardens, Tuesdays from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.**

Join a Mercer horticulturalist for planting, grooming, pruning, weeding, and mulching in the Native Garden and the Shakespeare Garden. Wear closed-toe shoes and bring a wide-brim hat, sunscreen, and water. Tools and gloves will be provided. *Volunteers must be 16 or older. Children between 12 and 15 may only volunteer with a parent or guardian present. Please contact Mercer's volunteer coordinator at 713-274-4160 in advance to schedule a visit.*

#### **Lunch Bunch, Second Wednesday of the month at noon**

Join fabulous speakers at these free presentations covering diverse topics. Participants should bring a lunch and dress for the weather. *Lunch Bunch is a free program offered at Mercer's East Gardens and is recommended for individuals 12 & up.*

#### **Storytime in the Gardens, Mondays at 10:30 a.m.**

In partnership with Harris County Public Library, Mercer invites parents and children to listen to a unique story in the natural setting of Mercer. Storytime garden locations may vary each week. *Call 713-274-4160 to find out the location or to check for cancellations due to weather. Volunteer opportunities available!*

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Now that the holidays are over, like me, you may be looking for a restaurant with some distance from the malls! Its times like these we eat at places like Captain Brad's Seafood, where really good food in a casual setting with reasonable prices can be found.

Their menu has all the local seafood favorites plus extras like fried alligator, crawfish queso blanco and my favorite crab and corn bisque. Fried, grilled, boiled and broiled, main entrees from dungeness crab to redfish and catfish are available. For those of you that prefer a chicken fried steak you're in luck, theirs is old fashioned tasty. To be honest, we've not eaten anything there we didn't like. I admit we haven't tried a beef burger but we go there for the seafood..

Monday – Friday lunch specials are just \$9.99 but if you want something more the main menu is always available. Lighter choices include cajun shrimp gumbo, wraps and traditional poboyos. For a few extra dollars you can treat yourself to a soft-shell crab burger with gouda, lettuce and tomato topped with their homemade remoulade.

Captain Brads has been open a little more than a year. They have a children's menu and full bar. Family friendly, spit clean with great service makes them more than just your typical east Texas seafood restaurant. They are located at 24435 Tomball Parkway or about a mile south of Boudreaux (west side) off 249, same place. We take the 99 to get there a little faster with less traffic.

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**Conservation Connections. Wednesdays, Jan. 8, 15, 22, and 29, at 8:30 a.m.** - Volunteers are invited to join staff and assist with a variety of conservation projects, such as maintaining the pollinator gardens, plant propagation, and habitat restoration. *This program is weather dependent and will not meet on rainy days. Wear closed-toe shoes. Bring garden gloves and a water bottle. Long pants and a hat are recommended. Ages 16 and older or accompanied by an adult.*

**Tadpoles Club. Wednesdays, Jan. 8, 15, 22, & 29, at 10:30 a.m. or 1 p.m.** - This interactive program introduces preschool-aged children to nature with animals, puppets, short walks, crafts, and stories. *Ages 3 and 4 only. No younger or older siblings allowed. A parent must accompany children. Reservations required beginning Wednesday, Dec. 4.*

**Pioneer Campfire. Saturday, Jan. 11, at 5:30 p.m.** - Spend an evening around the campfire with renowned storyteller Dan Gordon for an interactive journey through "Adventures in Storyland" *Reservations required beginning Thursday,*

**Arbor Day Celebration. Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 18**

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and 19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Celebrate Arbor Day with Jones Park staff and volunteers. Visitors can take home a free sapling and learn how to plant and care for trees. Webelos Scouts can fulfill the "Into the Woods" adventure through a self-guided activity.

**Tree Planting Party. Saturday, Jan. 18, at 10 a.m.** - Participants will help park staff and volunteers plant a variety of native trees throughout the park. *Reservations required beginning Wednesday, Jan. 8.*

**Animal Tracks & Signs. Sat., Jan. 25, at 10 a.m.** - Wildlife tracks, feathers, fur, and calls are all around the park. Participants will learn about a variety of animal tracking techniques and how these tracks and signs tell a story about local wildlife.

Jesse Jones Park Volunteers (JJPV) welcomes applications from interested participants. For more information about the park or any of the activities and programs offered, please call 281-446-8588 or visit [www.hcp4.net/jones](http://www.hcp4.net/jones).

## 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL VICTORIA COMIC FEST 2020

Victoria Comic Fest will take place on January 25-26, 2020 at the Victoria Community Center! Now expanded to take over the entire community center! The Victoria Community Center, 2905 East North Street, Victoria, Texas. Visit [victoriacomifest.com](http://victoriacomifest.com) for ticket information.

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**Houston Cat Club**  
67th Annual Charity Cat Show  
Saturday, January 11, 2020 at 10:00 AM



The 67th annual Houston Cat Show comes to the GRB Convention Center on Jan 11th and 12th. Up to 200 cats representing 42 breeds may be represented. In Addition to the competition, spectators can see cats run agility courses, visit vendors with pet-related good.

Call 713 853-8000 for ticket more information. George R. Brown Convention. 1001 Avenida De Las Americas, Houston



## WILD GAME & WINE CAMOFEST

Bay City - Indulge in wild game, wine, craft beer plus live entertainment, vendors, shopping and activities for the kids. 6<sup>th</sup> St. & Ave. G. Call 979 245-8081 or visit [baycitycamofest.com](http://baycitycamofest.com) for ticket and schedule information.

## 2020 MLK Grande Parade

**Monday, January 20, 2020**  
**10:00am - Noon, Midtown, Houston**

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## The Klein Family History Center Schedule of Classes

The Klein Family History Center, located at 16535 Kleinwood Drive, Spring, Texas 77379, is a FREE asset for our neighbors. We have regular one-on-one assistance with our customers who are trying to learn how to do their family history. Our hours are:

Tuesday & Wednesday 10 Am – 4 PM, 7 PM – 9 PM  
Thursday and Saturday 10 AM – 1 PM  
Thursday Evening: Class 7 PM – 8:30 PM

Our Schedule for January and February 2020 is as follows:

- 9 Jan **Finding Civil War Ancestors**, Jane Bonny, Lori Fortner - Finding the Records on your CW Ancestors
- 16 Jan **FamilySearch/Michael Walker**, Jane Bonny  
Using All the Resources of the Invaluable Asset
- 23 Jan **African-American Genealogy**, Lori Fortner  
Where they came from, How to Find Them
- 30 Jan **Game Night**, Staff  
Discover what you know about the records
- 6 Feb **Family Tree Maker Basics**, Jane Bonny  
An introduction into Using this Popular Software
- 13 Feb **Indexing Workshop**, Michael Walker  
Join the group to help index FamilySearch Records
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