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Safety Tips for Thanksgiving Chefs

Thanksgiving is all about food and family – turkey, stuffing, sweet potatoes, pumpkin pie, and family time. However, sometimes preparing holiday goodies can lead to disaster. The kitchen is the setting of more fires than any other room in the house, and cooking is the leading cause of fires in the home. The American Red Cross has safety steps to use while preparing the Thanksgiving feast.

Cooks should start by not wearing loose clothing or dangling sleeves while cooking. Never leave cooking food unattended – stay in the kitchen when frying, grilling or broiling food. If someone must leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, they should turn off the stove. Other safety steps include:

- Check food regularly while cooking and remain in the home while cooking. Use a timer as a reminder that the stove or oven is on.
- Keep kids away from the cooking area. Enforce a "kid-free zone" and make them stay at least three feet away from the stove.
- Keep anything that can catch fire pot holders, oven mitts, wooden utensils, paper or plastic bags, food packaging, and towels or curtains away from the stove, oven or any other appliance in the kitchen that generates heat.
- Clean cooking surfaces on a regular basis to prevent grease buildup. cont. on page 4



Deed Restriction Reminders

I am pleased to announce that I have two volunteers to help me send out letters and post notices. I am so excited to have their help. With their help hopefully we will see some positive responses from those residents who need to take care of violations.

I want to again remind residents they are to only have two (2) garage sales per year. We do monitor these garage sales and if we find a resident having more than two garage sales we have the right to report to the IRS you are receiving income from garage sales and will be required to pay sales tax on items sold.

If there is any residence that has a pool without a fence we will notify the authorities to visit the home owner and remind him there is a fine for not having a fence around the pool and to have the pool secured immediately.

If any resident has a vacant home next to him or on his street, please let us know so that we can keep an eye on the property. We will give the address to our sheriffs as well so that they can monitor these homes. If you see any suspicious activity at the home, notify the sheriff by providing them the address. We appreciate our residents keeping our subdivision safe for all.

The holidays are upon us. With family and friends coming to visit, please take the time to clean up your front yard and driveway. Your neighbors and the HOA would appreciate this. It is so nice to drive into the subdivision and see lawns and fronts of homes looking pretty and well-kept. Thank you. Have a great holiday season.

Lou Bernard, Deed Restriction Director

Oak Creek Village Board of Directors Meeting Minutes October 9, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 by President A J Salinas. Board members present were A J, Darrel Johnson, Lloyd Bratton, Lou Bernard, Jon Whisler, and Sharon Kuester. Residents present were Kathleen Phillips, Marilyn Bogle, Janet Deitsch, and Nicholas Fava. The minutes of the September 12 meeting were read and approved. Nick Fava addressed the Board to ask that everyone please attend the Town hall meeting on October 22.

For Maintenance, Darrel reported that the area behind the pool has been cleaned and the job was very well done. The trees in the park that need to be cont. on page 3

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Harris County Public Health	713 439-6000
Poison Control, poisoncenter.org	800 222-2222
Sheriff, Harris County	713 221-6000
Water & Sewage (24 hour Emergency)	281 376-8802
Harris County Environmental Public Dep	
- (report neglected swimming pool)	713 274-6300

Helpful Numbers

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Vacation Watch/Cypresswood Annex	.281	376-2997
Forms (713 221-6000)		
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Gas, Centerpoint	.713	659-2111
Trash,Texas Pride Disposal	.281	342-8178
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Water & Sewage, Bammel Utility District	.281	376-8802

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

OCV Community Association Board of Directors Meeting Reminder

Tuesday, November 13 - 7:30pm

Residents are reminded that the Oak Creek Village Community Association Board of Directors meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm. All residents are invited an 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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Attention OCV Residents. Non-commercial advertisments, 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)



Captain J. Coons

Oak Creek Village Security Stats HCSO - SHERIFF Ed Gonzalez

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BURG MOTOR VEHICLE	0	1	0	0	0	1	
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Directors Meeting from page 1

removed will be cut soon. His report was approved. For Security, Lloyd said that there was no written report because the sheriff's department provided only a call list and that was in a form that could not be copied for distribution in a practical manner. He also mentioned that a resident had wrongly criticized our deputy's performance on Nextdoor. [This problem was solved by Sharon Kuester's granddaughter, Rachel Walker, who has volunteered to

do it every month from Austin, Tx. Please look for it in this newsletter.]

Jon presented the monthly Treasurer's report and moved to send letters to 73 residents with maintenance accounts overdue by several years. This will cost \$50.00 per letter. The Board seconded and approved his motion. He finished by emphasizing that everyone should come to the Town Hall meeting.

Deed restriction matters were briefly summarized by Lou Bernard. She said that two areas of particular concern currently are pine needles on roofs and collecting in gutters near storm drains, where they can greatly affect street flooding. She also emphasized that state law mandates that no more than two garages sales be held in one year, and gratefully acknowledged that some residents have volunteered to help her with her deed restriction chores. Her report was approved and can be read in its entirety elsewhere in this newsletter.

Marilyn Bogle led discussion about how to proceed with the Christmas decoration issue, consensus was reached, and the Board adjourned at 10:00.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Kuester, Secretary







The OCV Garden Club is having its annual Christmas luncheon/meeting on December 4, at Anita's house. Call her for the address. Everyone is welcome! Bring your favorite side dish to go with ham or a dessert.

We are increasing our membership. Watch this space for monthly activities in 2019 and come join the fun!

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OCV Community Association October 9, 2018 Treasurer Report

Financial Report -

Balance Sheet

The August 31,2018 balance sheet shows \$666,164 in the bank.

Statement of Revenue & Expense

For August 2018, revenue was above budget by \$2,519 primarily due to higher than planned Security Revenue. Expenses were above budget by (\$2,977) was mainly due to higher than expected pool contract expense line.

Transaction Report

We had our normal operating expenses in the month of August with additional pool contract expenses..

Additional Notes:

Our 2018 Maintenance Fee of \$306 was approved at the November 2017 meeting and statements were mailed out the beginning of the second week of December 2017 and were due by the end of January 2018 to avoid penalties and interest being added to your account. You can call the accountant to fmd out how much you owe on your account at 832-910-7525.

Safety from page 1

- Purchase a fire extinguisher to keep in the kitchen. Contact the local fire department to take training on the proper use of extinguishers.
- Always check the kitchen before going to bed or leaving the home to make sure all stoves, ovens, and small appliances are turned off.
- Install a smoke alarm near the kitchen, on each level of the home, near sleeping areas, and inside and outside bedrooms. Use the test button to check it each month. Replace all batter-



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ies at least once a year. If you do not have smoke alarms in the home, purchase them or call your local fire station. They can also assist with proper placement of smoke alarms in the home.

Another helpful step is to download the Red Cross First Aid app which puts expert advice for everyday emergencies in someone's hand. Available for iPhone and Android devices, the official Red Cross First Aid app gives instant access to the information needed to handle the most common first aid emergencies. With videos, interactive quizzes and simple step-by-step advice it's never been easier to know first aid. Get the app at http://www.redcross.org/mobileapps.

For more information, visit http://www.redcross.org/prepare/location/home-family/prevent-home-fires

Afternoon Tea Fundraiser Scheduled

To support the Pearl's work in our community, "Tea Time," an Afternoon Tea, will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, November 8. This annual event will take place at Shirley Acres and honors individuals who have made a significant impact on the quality of life in northwest Harris County.

This year's honoree is Terry Capps, a fourth generation Houstonian who has been involved with the Pearl since the idea for a museum was first discussed. Terry has served on the Board of the Pearl for 14 years, and in 2016 her lifelong dream came

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true when she took over curatorial duties at the museum. Her many contributions have included providing accounting during the museum's initial fundraising and construction phases, serving on the committee that oversaw design of the museum, and twice chairing the Search Committee to choose the Executive Director of the Pearl. She has also been instrumental in curating five exhibitions at the Pearl.

The 2018 Afternoon Tea is chaired by active community leader, Virginia Crawford. Guest speaker for the event is Chip Hosek, whose collection of American Art will be featured at the Pearl this fall. Hosek is passionate about preserving art for future generations, and his generosity offers a rare opportunity to view these American masterpieces in our community as the Pearl begins its second decade of showcasing fine art to Northwest Houston.

Tickets to the Afternoon Tea are \$50 per person, with tables starting at \$500. For sponsorship details or to reserve your place, please visit pearlmfa.org.



Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club nwhcaggiemoms.org

Calling all Aggie moms!!! Whether you are a mom of a past, current, or new Aggie, come check out the Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club!! We meet the second Tuesday of every month (Aug-May), at the Houston Distributing Company,

7100 High Life Drive, Houston, Texas. Socializing and dinner starts at 6:30 pm, and the meeting starts at 7:00 pm. Each month, we have interesting speakers, and a chance to win a door prize, and a chance to enter the book award drawing!

We have a lot of fun in our quest to support our Aggie students, and in awarding a number of student scholarships each year. The scholarship applications are due by early Feb. and are awarded in April.

We hope you will join us!! Please refer to the website for details on upcoming events. Gig 'Em and God Bless!

Local Artist to Exhibit at Glade Cultural Center

Reva Power will join 12 artists from the Conroe Central Market Fine Art Gallery for the "2 Girls, a Guy; and a Trailer... and more" show, the 4th Annual Fine Art Christmas Extravaganza which will be held at Glade, 2000 Woodlands Parkway November 30th, 10-9 and December 1st, 10-2. In support of the new art center, 10% of sales will be given to Glade.

This is an opportunity to see the wide variety of art available for sale in time for holiday giving, to support the Special Friends Artists and to enjoy the music of harpist Eulice Vial.

Guest artists from "First Saturday & Monday Special Friends Art Group" will also have work on display and for sale. CCMFAG Next page



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Giant Sunflower by Reva Power

group offers free art classes at Glade from 10-2 on the first Saturday of each month to adults with special needs.

Kevin Black will make a special book signing appearance at the opening reception, 5pm, November 30, for his book

Raising a Hand, a photographic music festival book. Proceeds from book sales will be given to www.raisingahand.om, in the fight against Rett Syndrome.

Glade Cultural Center November 30, 10-9 and December 1, 10-2.

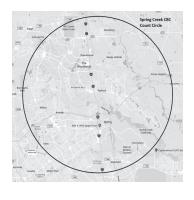
Please park in the Blue lot off of High Timbers. For more information and to learn about watercolor classes contact Reva Power, tobyreva@comcast.net.

Bird Feeder Watchers Needed Saturday, December 15, 2018

Bird feeder watchers from your neighborhood are needed on Saturday, December 15th, 2018, to help with the Spring Creek Christmas Bird Count (CBC).



Each year between December 14th and January 5th, the Audubon Society involves people to help the birds by participating in a Christmas Bird Count (CBC). The Audubon Society's goal is to capture a snapshot of bird populations during the early winter, comparing this data with snapshots from scores of previous years to help understand fluc-



tuations in bird populations that show which species are thriving and which are struggling.

One of these CBCs is the Spring Creek CBC on the north side of Houston and is sponsored by volunteers from the Piney Woods Wildlife Society. This CBC is scheduled for the first Saturday of the CBC period – this year it falls on Saturday, December 15, 2018. It is centered roughly at I45 and Rayford / Sawdust and extends 7.5 miles in all directions. This 15 mile diameter circle makes up the "Spring Creek Christmas Bird Count". (You can see this and many more CBCs in Texas by visiting www.HoustonAudubon.org/cbc.)

There are two components to counting birds for a CBC. The first consists of teams of bird watchers that go outside and count all the birds that they find in the count circle. The second consists of people watching their backyard feeders and



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3303 Cypresswood Drive Spring, TX 77388 springkleinelectrical.com counting those birds. All this information is turned into the CBC compiler and reported to the National Audubon Society.

If you live inside the Spring Creek CBC count circle, have bird feeders in your yard, and will be home part of the day on Saturday, December 15th, please contact the Spring Creek CBC compiler, Claire Moore, and volunteer to help by counting the birds that visit your feeders on that day. Claire will send you further information on how to count and report your sightings. Claire can be reached via email at cdmoore3i@gmail.com.

As mentioned above, volunteers from the Piney Woods Wildlife Society sponsor this CBC. PWWS is a local bird watching and nature club that has meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (except summer months) at 6:30 p.m. The meetings include some snacks plus a presentation by a local person about their bird watching or nature experience. The meetings are held at the Big Stone Lodge at Dennis Johnston Park located at 709 Riley Fuzzel Road in Spring If you are interested in birds or nature, please feel free to attend the PWWS meetings. You can learn more about PWWS at http://www.pineywoodswildlifesociety.org/.



Knights of Columbus Chili Cook Off



MARK YOUR CALENDAR - "COME ONE AND COME ALL" to the Knights of Columbus Council 14512 (St Edward Catholic Church) 7th Annual Chili Cook-off benefiting The American Wheelchair Mission. The event will be held on November 10, 2018 on the grounds of St. Simon & Jude Catholic Church, 26777 Glen Loch Dr., Spring, TX 77381. General public gates open at 10AM, final judging begins at about 2:30-3:00PM.

Come sample some of the best chili in Texas! Enjoy family entertainment, car show, games, drinks, homemade desserts, hamburgers, hot dogs and raffles of products and services during the event. A 5-sample pack/1 drink admission is only \$5.00, which also includes you in door prize raffles. Proceeds go to purchasing wheelchairs for people in need.

There are a few remaining openings for Cooking Teams as well. If interested in joining the competition, entry forms are available online at www.knights14512.org. Contact Jerry Stack at 832-282-1344 or JStack@integratedreg.com with any questions. Registration fees for a cooking team are \$150 and spots are assigned on a first come basis, deadline 10/31/18.



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