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Tradition!

Everyone in Oak Creek Village has always put red bows on their mailboxes for the holiday season. It really looks festive. Let's all help. Please Encourage your neighbors.

Buy---or make---them a bow!

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Recently, I made some comments on Nextdoor in response to laments that no one seems to care about our village any more. I'd like to repeat them here. Let's start the new year by being more neighborly. Maybe it will help if we truly make an effort to include new people even if they are "only renters." Lots of people rent first to decide where they want to buy. Let's make sure they want to buy here. We have a lot of amenities that most other communities don't have. Talk these up. Ask how you can help them get acquainted. Tell them about the website. Even those who don't speak much English are usually willing to try, and, for heaven's sake, don't snub people because they



Presidents December Comments

Wow! Talk about the holidays sneaking up on you! I have been under the weather for the last two weeks. As you'll know when you are in an out of it for the duration, "Did I dream that or did it really happen?" Well, one thing I do remember was hearing Black Friday sale advertising. Last week I was talking to a friend and complaining about the early advertising for Black Friday. When I was told it was just the Friday after next, my response was, "What happened to the rest of the month?"

I must have slept through it. I went shopping this weekend. I only made it through half my list and I am already completely broke. So, if you are in the same boat as I am, and want to save some money, then take the kids to Breakfast with Santa. This is put on by our Recreational Director Elizabeth Davis and her group. It is very popular and well-received by those who attend. Look for more specific information on our message board.

Now we need to address more serious subject matters: Curb-side parking as well as speeding are still big problems. These problems will only get worse during the holidays. I know many will have family gatherings and parking on curb side is the only solution for most of us. All I ask is that we all use common sense when we park cars on the curb. Please use caution and observe speed limits. Remember, the streets will be very busy.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and that they be healthy and safe holidays.

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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 December 15!

OCV Community Association Board of Directors Meeting Reminder

Tuesday, December 11 - 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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- Call 811 before you dig.
- 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 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)



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Oak Creek Village Security Stats HCSO - SHERIFF Ed Gonzalez

Captain J. Coons District 1 Patrol August 2018	Total	Castaneda	Malloy	Other
Total	304	100	79	125
911 HANG UP	2	1	1	0
ALARM LOCAL	6	0	0	6
ASSAULT AGG FAMILY	1	0	0	1
BURG MOTOR VEHICLE	3	1	0	2
CHECK PARK	2	0	2	0
CONTRACT CHECK	184	66	24	94
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	2	0	0	2
DIST FAMILY	2	0	1	1
DISTURBANCE LOUD NOISE	1	0	0	1
DISTURBANCE OTHER	2	1	0	1
DOA	1	1	0	0
DRUG OD POSSESSION	1	0	0	1
FOLLOW UP	3	0	2	1
FRADULENT USE ID	1	1	0	0
IN PROGRESS LIFE IN DANGER	1	0	0	1
MEET THE CITIZEN	14	5	5	4
MEET THE OFFICER	1	0	1	0
RUNAWAY	1	1	0	0
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	3	0	2	1
THEFT OTHER	1	1	0	0
THEFT RESIDENCE	1	0	0	1
TRAFFIC INITIATIVE	52	20	32	0
TRAFFIC STOP	11	2	4	5
UNK MEDICAL EMERGENCY	1	0	1	0
VEHICLE ABANDONED	1	0	1	0
VEHICLE STICKERED	2	0	2	0
VEHICLE SUSPICIOUS	1	0	0	1
WARRANT SERVICE	1	0	0	1
WELFARE CHECK	2	0	1	1



Friends from page 1

look "different." After the first of the year, I'd like to make one more effort to get an information directory published and distributed. We can use all the help we can get, and it's a good opportunity to get acquainted. Let's make a New Year's Resolution to be inclusive, not snooty. And Merry, Happy, and Blessed to you all.

Oak Creek Village Board of Directors Meeting

November 13, 2018 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:40pm by President A J Salinas. Board members present were A J, Lloyd Bratton, Jon Whisler, Lou Bernard, and Sharon Kuester. Elizabeth Davis had been detained and arrived at 8:30pm. Residents present were Barbara Frisbie, Marilyn Bogle, Nick Fava, and Whitney Mijares.

Nick Fava, president of Bammel Utility District, addressed the Board to summarize the improvements the District had made to the park, and to announce that the Bond issue had passed in the recent election.

The minutes of the October 9 meeting were then read and approved, followed by a general discussion of the number Next page



Christmas Luncheon - Dec. 4



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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of parked RV's in the subdivision. Next, Lloyd summarized the sheriff's activities for the month, emphasizing that cars parked in driveways had less chance of being broken into than those parked on the street, and that more speeding tickets were being issued. He also cautioned us to be alert for individuals claiming to be utility workers wanting access to our yards and homes. Please verify before agreeing. His report was approved.

Next, Jon Whisler read the monthly treasurer's report and moved that we renew our CD XXXX6596 at Bank of Texas in the following manner: \$40 K for 6 months, \$80 K for 15 months, \$40 K for 24 months, and remaining balance, approximately \$18 K put into the current money market. The second part of the motion was to remove Ron Halk as one of the signatories, since he is no longer on the Board, and to add Anthony J Salinas, President in his place. The motion was seconded and passed.

Lou discussed deed restriction matters, emphasizing stored vehicles and yard maintenance. Her entire report can be read elsewhere in the newsletter. Marilyn Bogle then addressed the Board on the matter of the proposed new entrance monument and sign boards. After some heated and acrimonious discussion, it was agreed that we will make a final decision at the December meeting, when, hopefully the discussion will not be the only heat in the building.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Kuester, Secretary

Deed Restriction Reminders

Residents please be careful that if a person comes to your home stating that they are with CenterPoint Energy and are there to check on your electric lines in your home or attic that you not allow them inside your home until you call CenterPoint



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to verify they are to be there. Also if you are alone, have them come back on a certain date so that you will have someone with you when they come to your home to check your electric lines. We have heard that this has happened elsewhere and we want our residents to be safe. If necessary call the police if they will not leave your property.

Please note that wood shingles for a roof are no longer allowed by law on any home in the State of Texas and of course that applies to our subdivision.

All non-working vehicles, trailers, golf carts, boats, or other vehicles, etc. that are in driveways and/or in front of homes need to be removed and put in garage or off premises in storage. This is a violation of Deed Restriction No. 9.

Before the holidays begin, please remove all Halloween decorations from front yard so that you can decorate for the Christmas holidays. 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 front of homes looking pretty and well kept. Thank you

Have a great holiday season.

Lou Bernard, Deed Restriction Director

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A Lunch and Learn for Residents of Oak Creek Village and their Guests

Saturday January 19, 2019 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

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A noncommercial, no pressure no obligation forum to learn about a financial planning tool. We will discuss the good and the not so good about reverse mortgages.

The reverse mortgage program is specifically designed for those over 62. Let's take the time to discover whether this program could be a benefit to you. No one will pressure you to buy. No one will pester you. No one will call after the presentation unless you request it. Just a time to ask questions and learn about this 30-year-old, safe, government insure mortgage loan.

Common questions:
Who is eligible?
How does one qualify?
Does credit score affect eligibility?
Do I still own my home? How much am I eligible for?

What are the cost?
What kind of property is allowed?
how can I get the money?
When is the loan repaid?
Do I still pay taxes and insurance?

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As you prepare for the holiday season, it's a perfect time to spruce things up as you set the stage for entertaining family and friends.

Then when you are ready to sell, together we will choose the best time to put your home on the market. Contact me today to set the stage for a successful sale!

Happy Holidays From My Home To Yours!

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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!

For you own safety please make yourself readily visible to vehicle traffic. Wear light colored or reflective clothing. Also, during the twilight hours, lighting is highly suggested. **The life you save may be your own.**





Holiday in the Gardens and Winter Plant Sale at Mercer

Celebrate the holiday season with music, food, crafts, shopping, and more during Holiday in the Gardens Saturday, Dec. 8 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Mercer Botanic Gardens.

This family-oriented event offers a holiday market, winter plant sale, and a Children's Corner. Attractions include face painting, a visit from Santa, and holiday-themed crafts. Entrance is free, and children's activities are available while supplies last. Food, drinks, and holiday gifts are available for purchase.

Volunteers are needed! Anyone who would like to volunteer or has questions can contact Mercer's Volunteer Coordinator Jamie Hartwell at jhartwell@hcp4.net. New volunteers must complete a volunteer application, available at www.hcp4.net/mercer/volunteering.

Houston Zoo Lights

The Houston Zoo is transformed into a winter wonderland! TXU Energy Presents Zoo Lights celebrates its seventh year as one of Houston's most well-loved holiday traditions. Sip hot chocolate as you stroll through the beautiful Houston Zoo grounds and take in the sights and sounds of the season. Fifteen miles of earth-friendly LED lighting illuminate our ancient oak trees and decorate the paths to light your way. Sights to delight you include our giant Holiday Tree presented by TransCanada. Other features include the Holiday Train Village presented by Macy's, the Enchanted Forest presented by King & Spalding, and Candy, the interactive talking zebra, presented by H-E-B. Between the shopping, decorating, wrapping and baking, schedule some time to enjoy the holidays this year at TXU Energy Presents Zoo Lights!

Winter Wonder Island

Nov. 17 thru Jan 6. Fifty days of holiday events including Ice Land, a frosty playground featuring 2 million pounds of carved ice including a giant glacier slide. Festival of lights, a mile long trail featuring more than a million lights and the 45th annual Dickens on the strand, a holiday street festival, victorian style. Visit galveston.com/holidaymagic



Annual Christmas Open House and Candlelight Tour



On December 7th the Spring Creek County Historical Association hosts its annual Christmas Open House & Candlelight Tour from 6:00p.m. to 9:00p.m.

The entire museum complex is decorated for the Christmas holidays. All buildings will have a hostess. The church will have choirs and Santa will be greeting children and posing for pictures. Bring your camera! Be sure and visit the band in the barn as well as all eight historical buildings on the property.

Call 281 255-2148 for more information. Admission is free to the public. (Donations accepted) Children under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult or designated supervisor. They are located at 510 N. Pine Street in Tomball.

Texas Master Chorale Christmas Concert Set For December 15

Texas Master Chorale will present a Christmas concert featuring Laud to the Nativity and traditional Christmas classics on Saturday, December 15.

Written by Ottorino Respighi, Laud to the Nativity is a composition deeply steeped in historic Italian imagery. In it, Respighi richly blends several musical styles to honor the sentiment of the nativity story, as well as the historical importance of the Roman Catholic Church in Italy.

The concert will take place at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 15, at John Wesley United Methodist Church, 5830 Bermuda Dunes Drive in Houston, 77069. Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door; seniors 65 and older receive a \$5 discount. Age 18 and younger are admitted free. To purchase tickets, call (281) 440-4850.

Texas Master Chorale is led by Brad Bouley, founder and artistic director. Bouley served as the Director of Choirs for Tomball High School for 20 years, and was the Director of Fine Arts for Tomball ISD until his retirement in 2015.

Founded in 1986, Texas Master Chorale is a mixed choral ensemble of 100 auditioned singers who perform a variety of choral masterworks including classical, contemporary, sacred and secular. For more information, visit texasmasterchorale.org.



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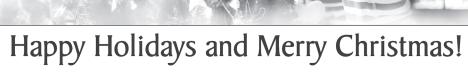






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