The Official Neighborhood Publication for May, 2018

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Election Results

The recent election for members of the OCV Board of Directors was successful, as we finally had 82 votes. We wish more people would vote. This is a very important part of government of our community. There are all sorts of unpleasant things that can happen if residents don't pay attention to what is going on. In any case, I would like to profusely thank Bob Von Eschen, Bill Taylor, Virginia Cox, Jack Hannigan, Mike Malloy, and anyone else I may be forgetting or be unaware of, for going above and beyond the call of duty to insure that we did get our required quorum. We are forever in you debt.

OCV Board of Directors Meeting April 10, 2018 - Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 by President Anthony Salinas. All directors were present, except Elizabeth Davis, (her daughter was sick) and Marilyn Bogle was the only resident attending. Deputy Malloy introduced Deputy Castanedo, who will be on in the afternoons. He is not exactly new, as he has been one of our deputies in the past. The deputies said they have been asked by their supervisor to check parked cars to make sure they are locked and that there are no tempting packages

President Comments

I know I have said it before "SPRING IS HERE, SUMMER IS JUSTAROUND THE CONER". Well it looks like Houston is experiencing a four season year. You long time Houstonians know how rare an occurrence that is imagine a Spring that last a month not just days.

Speaking of spring, we just had our Spring Fling. This year we combined it with our swim team Cudas kick-off. To say it was well received is an understatement, for the first time that I can remember we ran out of food. It seems that all of our guest/residents enjoyed themselves. We served over 250 hamburgers and hotdogs; they kept Perry Graham and me hopping on the grill. The pool was open; the weather was in 60's to low 70's with a nice brisk wind. I thought at first that it was too cold for the pool but the team and kids proved me wrong. The pool was full, and they say our kids are turning soft.

A hearty "thank you" to Elizabeth Davis, our Recreational Director, and her crew of helpers for another excellent job, especially all participants and those who donated time and equipment to made it the success that it was. There are too many to name individually, but we appreciate your help hope you enjoyed yourselves.

Now to the "here he goes again section". Have you noticed that the police are making more traffic stops? I ask that you please refrain from yelling comments to them such as take him/her to jail. I know that they might be your kids/relative and you would like to have a few hours of peace and quiet at home, but this interferes with the Deputy in the performance of his duties. While we are on the subject of traffic, I have just found about the county rule that the cars parked on the curb must have the passenger side facing within 18" of the curb. I had one car parking on the opposite side pull out in front of

me and I, surprised, hit the brake and blew the horn at the car. The driver responded with that well know digital sign and I don't think he was trying to tell me that I was his number one person. I have instructed Lloyd Bratten, Security Director, to have the Deputies enforce that rule.

Enough with the "thou should not" stuff. Let's mention the positive. I drive through the neighborhood often and it looks green and inviting. So, to those of you who have put in time and effort to make your space presentable, a big THANK YOU.



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Emergency

Emergency, Police, Medical, Fire		911
Ambulance		
Animal Control,612 Canino Road	281	999-3191
Crimestoppers	713	222-8477
Crisis Hotline	.713	527-9864
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

Helpful Numbers

OCV Accountant, TXMGMT	832	2 910-7525
Vacation Watch/Cypresswood Annex	281	376-2997
Forms (713 221-6000)		
Post Office -Cornerstone	.281	444-1355
Gas, Centerpoint	713	659-2111
Trash,Texas Pride Disposal	713	527-9864
Telephone, AT&T	800	246-8464
Water & Sewage, Bammel Utility District	281	376-8802

OCV Garden Club Board

President Anita Cook	.281	440-1093
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Historian & Yearbook, Carol Barziza	.281	444 8957
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Treasurer, Kathy Colbert	281	583-0652

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

OCV Community Association Board of Directors Meeting Reminder

Tuesday, May 8 - 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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For a complete list of acceptable recycle items please visit Http://www.oakcreekvillage.org/trash.html

Call 811 before you dig - Be Safe. It's free. It's the law.

- · 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)

Oak Creek Village Security Stats

March 30-31, 2018 Sheriff's Office Patrol Bureau	J. Castenada	J. Dean	M.Malloy	Other	Total
911 Hang Up	0	0	1	0	1
Accidental Injur	1	0	0	0	1
Alarm Local	0	1	1	1	3
Animal/Aggressiv	0	0	1	0	1
Animal/Humane	0	0	1	0	1
Check Park	0	4	1	0	5
Check School	0	0	2	0	2
Chk Public Inf ra	4	0	0	0	4
Contract Check	89	150	25	0	264
Dist!Famil:y	1	1	0	0	2
Dist/Loud Noise	0	4	0	0	4
Dist/Other	0	1	0	1	2
DWI	1	0	0	0	1
Follow Up	1	2	0	1	4
Information Call	0	1	1	1	3
Meet the Citizen	18	1	8	1	28
Meet the Officer	0	0	0	1	1
Parking Lot Chk	19	0	5	1	25
Sex Offend Verif	0	0	2	0	2
Susp Person	0	0	3	0	3
Theft/Other	0	0	1	0	1
Traf Initiative	17	3	29	0	49
Traffic Stop	4	0	6	1	11
Vacation Watch	0	0	4	0	4
Vcb Abandoned	0	0	7	1	8
Veb Suspicious	1	2	0	0	3



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or devices in view. They also asked that residents please refrain from interjecting themselves into traffic stops in progress, either pro or con, as this is very distracting and could be dangerous to all involved.

Next, Ms. Valerie Garza proposed we save money by switching to Reliant Energy. The Board voted to do so. Our rate will be 5.4 cents per kilowatt hour starting in August. She also advised us that Centerpoint will be switching our street lights to LED as they are routinely replaced. This will make our streets much brighter at night.

At 8:40, the minutes of the March meeting were read and approved, as was the Security report. Treasurer Jon Whisler presented his report, which was approved, and told us the water District will return the park to its previous condition or better, as soon as the new water main installation is complete. He also said that discussion of additional park areas, courtesy of the water board, is ongoing. Darrel Johnson said that he has assembled the new benches for the tennis players and installed them in the courts. He will take care of the roof leak soon. Sharon Kuester read the deed restriction report, which was approved, as Lou Bernard had to leave early, and AJ reported for Elizabeth that preparations for Spring Fling were on schedule.

After some additional discussion of the proposed new entrance monuments, why there were no flowers at the entrances, and what parking lot improvements were planned, the meeting adjourned at 10:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Kuester, Secretary

Deed Restriction Reminders

ALERT!!! - Storm Drains: Recently, an article was published in the Houston Chronicle and according to Harris County Watershed Protection Group, sweeping grass, leaves, grass clippings, yard waste, etc. into a storm drain is cited as a civil solid-waste violation of State Municipal Solid Waste Rules, Chapter 330.15 (a)(1). Civil Penalties are \$50 to \$25,000 per

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day per violation. Criminal penalties, if pursued, are \$500 to \$100,000 per day per violation. Please, residents, remember not to sweep any debris, etc. into storm drains and if you have a yard service remind them also not to do this. If necessary provide them extra leaf bags to put debris in and set out for our trash company on Tuesdays. This will greatly help reduce flooding. Also remember that driveways are to be kept clear of debris, trash cans, and play equipment when not in use. No appliances, lawn mowers, yard equipment are to be stored or left in driveway. Any broken down vehicles are to be stored in garage or offsite storage.

Just a reminder that all outside home improvements, i.e. replacing roof, painting outside of home, shutters, doors, siding, etc., new driveways, walkways, window replacements, are to be approved by the HOA architectural control or deed restriction directors.

The HOA will not allow any homeowner and/or renters to rent out rooms in their home. This is a single family dwelling subdivision and this practice is in violation of our deed restrictions. We have information available to us to determine if this practice is being implemented. We will turn this matter over to our attorneys if necessary.

We are all in favor of friends and family get-togethers. However, please keep the noise level down after 11:00 p.m. and move the gathering inside. This is the courteous thing to do for your neighbors.

Please remember this subdivision enforces its deed restrictions. Our only wish is for all residents to abide by the deed restrictions and by-laws. This keeps our home values up and helps make our village a lovely place to live. We offer a pool, a park, tennis courts, a clubhouse, well-maintained lighting, and sheriff protection. These amenities make our village an especially desirable place to live Please keep this in mind when it comes to taking care of your property.

-Lou Bernard



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Keith	15	P+S	281-880-8107

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OCV Community Association April 10, 2018 Treasurer Report

Financial Report-

Balance Sheet

The February 28, 2018 balance sheet shows \$689,516 in the bank.

Statement of Revenue & Expense

For February 2018, revenue was above budget by \$1,290 primarily due to higher than planned security fee Revenue. Expenses were below budget by \$6,888 was mainly due to timing of annual expenses and legal fees.

Transaction report We had our normal operating expenses in the month of February.

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 find out how much you owe on your account at 832-910-7525.

2018 - Fire safety product maker Kidde is recalling nearly 500,000 smoke alarms that could be faulty. The company issued a recall for about 452,000 alarms in the U.S. and 40,000 in Canada after discovering that a yellow cap potentially left on during production could cover a sensor and prevent it from detecting smoke.

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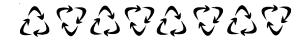
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Tomball Art League

Are you an artist? Do you paint in watercolor, acrylics or oils? Do you work in clay? Are you a photographer? If you enjoy the fine arts in life you are invited to join in the Tomball Art League meeting, Saturday, May 12th and see what we are all about. We gather together to promote Art Appreciation in Tomball and the surrounding communities. Join us for socializing/networking at 9:30 followed by a brief league meeting at 10:30. Stay for the guest artist (to be determined). Our meetings are held on the 2nd floor of the Amegy Bank Building 2nd floor, 28201 SH249, Tomball. Hope to see you there!





Mother's Day Weekend May 11-13 - Music Art & Crabs

Visit texascrabfestival.org for more information.

ADS WOOLET

Houston Rose Society

"Which Rose is Right for You?" is the topic of the Houston Rose Society meeting, Thursday, May 10, 2018. Please note: the meeting location will be The Lott Clubhouse,

6201Hermann Park Drive, Houston TX 77030 (just southwest of the zoo). This is a one time location change. Chris VanCleave will present the program. Chris is known as the Redneck Rosarian. He is the creator of the Rose Chat Podcast and past president of the Birmingham Rose Society. Chris is a candidate for vice president of the American Rose Society. The program will begin at 7:30 PM. Come at 7:00 PM for social time and refreshments. Free Admission. www.houstonrose.org







The Future Looks Bright at Passport To Your Future 2018

Northwest Houston, Spring, Klein, Cypress Creek Community—The Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with Lone Star College - University Park, Spring ISD, Klein ISD, Aldine ISD, and the Harmony Public Schools hosted an Education – Workforce Development Committee STEM event called "Passport to Your Future" on April 6, 2018 where over 120 high school students explored careers in the area of science, mathematics, engineering, healthcare and technology through hands-on activities provided by area industry sponsors.

"The STEM-related career opportunities are plentiful, but our students need opportunities like 'Passport to Your Future' to learn from professionals in the field," explained Deborah Bronner-Westerduin, committee member and Assistant Director of Career & Technical Education for Klein Independent School District.

Students heard presentations from seasoned industry leaders and participated in hands-on activities involving hydraulics, vir-





Cedrick LaFleur of the LaFleur Leadership Institute explained cell analysis and lab testing for Abbott Laboratories.

tual reality, robotics, healthcare and land surveying.

"This was my first time to attend this event, and I have to say I was incredibly impressed with the facilities at the Energy and Manufacturing Institute at Lone Star College - University Park, the hands-on activities provided by the high schools, the industry leaders, and the universities, as well as the caliber of the students themselves", said Leslie Sloan, Membership Development Manager for the Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce.

The overall mission of Passport to Your Future Events is to create excitement within high school and middle school students for STEM careers. The Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce is interested in seeing these high-paying, high skill level jobs being filled by the children in our community.

The Education - Workforce Development Committee will also play a key role in the Chamber's upcoming Annual Scholarship Luncheon on April 12, 2018 at the Klein Multipurpose Center on FM 2920 at 11:00a.m. The purpose of this luncheon is to spotlight and celebrate students' achievements and the direction of education in the coming years. The Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce Foundation along with scholarship sponsors Lone Star College - University Park, Windwood Church, Houston Northwest Medical Center, Noble Energy, and Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital. The foundation will present five local seniors with \$1500 scholarships.



Spring is the Perfect Time to Start Composting!

Composting Basics - All composting requires three basic ingredients:

Browns - This includes materials such as dead leaves, branches, and twigs.

Greens - This includes materials such as grass clippings, vegetable waste, fruit scraps, and coffee grounds.

Water - Having the right amount of water, greens, and browns is important for compost development.

Your compost pile should have an equal amount of browns to greens. You should also alternate layers of organic materials of different-sized particles. The brown materials provide carbon for your compost, the green materials provide nitrogen, and the water provides moisture to help break down the organic matter.

Benefits of Composting - Enriches soil, helping retain moisture and suppress plant diseases and pests and reduces the need for chemical fertilizers. It also encourages the production of beneficial bacteria and fungi that break down organic matter to create humus, a rich nutrient-filled material. Composting reduces Methane emissions from landfills and your carbon footprint is lowered.

How to Compost at Home

There are many different ways to make a compost pile; we I



have provided the following for general reference. Helpful tools include pitchforks, square-point shovels or machetes, and water hoses with a spray head. Regular mixing or turning of the compost and some water will help maintain the compost. Select a dry, shady spot near a water source in your backyard for your

compost pile or bin. Add brown and green materials as they are collected, making sure larger pieces are chopped or shredded. Moisten dry materials as they are added. Once your compost pile is established, mix grass clippings and green waste into the pile and bury fruit and vegetable waste under 10 inches of compost material.

Cover top of compost with a tarp to keep it moist (optional). When the material at the bottom is dark and rich in color, your compost is ready to use. This usually takes anywhere between two months to two years.

If you do not have space for an outdoor compost pile, you can compost materials indoors using a special type of bin, which you can buy at a local hardware store, gardening supplies store, or make yourself. Remember to tend your pile and keep track of what you throw in. A properly managed compost bin will not attract pests or rodents and will not smell bad. Your compost should be ready in two to five weeks.



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