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OCV Board Meeting Minutes 6/8/2021

Board members present were Jon Whisler, Darryl Johnson, Llyod Bratton, Josh Donaho, Jim Bowers and Elizabeth Davis. Home owners present were Jan Dunn, Lisa Stauber and Valena Stauber.

Our other resident present Jan Dunn aired her concerns about street parking. The Board listened to her concerns and said it has been raised by several residents, especially on cul-de-sacs. The residents are requested to be mindful of how their guests and also residents park.

The meeting was called to order by Jon at 7.49pm. The minutes of our May meeting were read and approved.

Valena Stauber spoke first. Wanted the Board to approve to keep 2 chickens in the backyard and raise them for a FFA project for her school starting in the fall. It will be in an enclosed area. The Board had a discussion and previously they had approved such projects, so a motion was made and the Board voted and approved it. They also discussed the matter of posting a sign in the yard stating that it was approved by the OCV Board. JB was asked to order at least 4 signs, and when the project begins the sign will be posted.

Recreation Report: Elizabeth brought attention to the Board that the diving board has been lying on the side by the pool as it is not functional and safe. The Board made a motion to approve up to \$6000 for the replacement and installation of the new diving board for the pool. The diving board will be replaced and installed very soon. There was no written report.

Security Report: The report was read and approved.

The Director requests again not to call the Police if you have any issues outside the home and call only after your return to your home. If the Officer comes over to your home and takes the report it will be recorded as an issue from where you called. Please call the Police where the problem happened. There are 2 issues on this report and it did not happen in the neighborhood but the residents reported after returning to their home. So it shows on our stats.

Treasurer's report: Was read and approved, please read it in the newsletter.

There were no Deed Restriction or Maintenance or Architectural written reports.

You all must have seen signs at various intersections that we are bound by deed to restrictions. To keep our neighborhood looking nice and safe kindly be aware of your surroundings and also be helpful to your neighbors.

JB and Joshua Donaho of the deed restriction committee have been diligently following up with our residents and making sure that they do adhere to our policies. We need all the residents to understand and abide by them so that we have a safe and a pretty neighborhood we are proud to be in.

NEW BUSINESS: The Board made a motion to move \$75000 from the Money Market account to earn a better interest to a 6 month CD to Veritex Bank. The motion was carried, The meeting adjourned at 9.01pm.

The next meeting is on July 13th at 7.30pm at the clubhouse and all residents are welcome to join.

See you around the neighborhood.

Respectfully submitted by,

Ooma Lakshmanan - Secretary

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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
Harris County Environmental Public De	
- (report neglected swimming pool)	713 274-6300

Helpful Numbers

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Forms (713 221-6000)		
Post Office-Cornerstone	.281	444-1355
Gas, Centerpoint	713	659-2111
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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 July 15!

OCV Community Association Board of Directors Meeting Reminder Tuesday, July 13 at 7:30pm



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 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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- 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 Contract HCSO - SHERIFF Ed Gonzalez

www.sheriff.hctx.net Captain J. Coons, District 1 Patrol

May 1-31, 2021	Total	Malloy	Schnur	Other
Total	317	75	92	150
ALARM LOCAL	3	0	1	2
BURG HABITATION	1	1	0	0
CHILD CUSTODY DISP	1	0	0	1
CONTRACT CHECK	215	28	76	111
DISTURBANCE LOUD NOISE	7	1	0	6
DISTURBANCE OTHER	2	0	0	2
DOMESTIC PREVENT	1	0	0	1
FOLLOW UP	2	2	0	0
INFORMATION CALL	2	0	0	2
MEET THE CITIZEN	13	5	0	8
MISSING PERSON	1	0	0	1
MUD BUILDING CHECK	10	10	0	0
NEIGHBORHOOD CHECK	2	0	0	2
NUISANCE ABATEMENT	4	4	0	0
OPEN DOOR WINDOW	1	0	1	0
PROPERTY FOUND LOST	1	0	1	0
ROAD RAGE INC	1	0	0	1
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	2	2	0	0
THEFT OTHER	2	1	1	0
TRAFFIC INITIATIVE	16	9	7	0
TRAFFIC STOP	11	2	4	5
VACATION WATCH	4	4	0	0
VEHICLE ABANDONED	3	1	0	2
VEHICLE STICKERED	5	5	0	0
VEHICLE STOLEN	1	0	0	1
VEHICLE SUSPICIOUS	6	0	1	5

Due to the Pandemic the Board is not able to meet at the clubhouse in person, in the meantime if residents have any concerns or questions kindly reach out to the appropriate Board member, their contact information is in the newsletter.

TEEN JOB SEEKERS

B=Babysitting, **P**=Pet sitting, **Y**=Yard Work, **H**=House Sitting *CPR Certified

Michelle P.	14	B+P	715-821-2280
Annette M.	16	B+H+P	281-455-7397
Jason	15	Р	832-375-1613

Please email your work information to publish1@copperheadfarms.net Include your name, address, age, phone number, choice of work along with any special training, CPR etc. OCV residents only, 18 and under! Parents: It is up to you to verify credentials for services listed.

OCV Community Association June 8, 2021 Treasurer Report

Financial Report -

Balance Sheet

The April 30, 2021 balance sheet shows \$616,039 in the bank

Statement of Revenue & Expense

For April 2021, revenue was below budget by (\$173) primarily due to Transfer Fee income. Expenses were higher than budget by (\$2,939) was mainly due to timing of legal bills.

Transaction Report

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

Additional Notes:

Our 2021 Maintenance Fee of \$327 was approved at the November 2020 meeting and was mailed out the first week of December and was due at the beginning of January 2021. If it has not been paid it was past due at January 31, 2021 and fees and interest will be added to the account until paid. You can call the accountant to find out how much you owe on your account at 832-910-7525.

Our 2021 Security Fee being collected on the water bill in the amount of \$30.50 was approved at the November meeting and will be sent to Bammel UD for the March 2021 bill as April is when the annual contract for Security renews and that bill is due by 20th of March.



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Summer At The Pearl Fincher Museum Of Fine Arts

The Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts is the perfect summer destination, with a fun and colorful summer exhibition as well as art experiences for all ages.

Summer Exhibitions

The Pearl's summer exhibition, The Chaney Family: A Contemporary Art Collection, showcases unique holdings from the collections of the Chaney Family.

With colorful, engaging works from more than 35 artists—including sculptures, installation art, paintings and photography—it's the perfect summer outing for individuals and families alike.

Jereann Chaney, along with daughter Holland, has been a longtime advocate of the arts. She and husband Robert Chaney began collecting art in the early 1990s with a focus on younger, contemporary artists. Their collections of Asian art and work from the Young British Artists have previously been exhibited at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.

The Chaney Family exhibition runs through August 21, 2021. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and admission is free.

In the Hillery Community Gallery, the Pearl is featuring Arthur



Deatly: In the Heights through July 10. The exhibition showcases the work of Houston artist and Pearl School of Art educator Arthur Deatly. with plein air paintings of homes and Little Libraries in the Houston Heights neighborhood.

Summer Art Camps

Summer art camps continue at the



Drop-In Art Wednesdays

Drop-In Art Wednesdays begin June 23 and continue through August 4, from 2 to 4 p.m. Each week will feature a different art project inspired by The Chaney Family exhibition. The event is free of charge, but an RSVP is required by calling (281) 376-6322.

Summer Art Classes

The second session of summer art classes at the Pearl's School of Art begins July 12.

A variety of classes are available for ages 13 to adult, including watercolor, mixed media, acrylic painting, Prismacolor colored pencils, printmaking and more. Classes meet for four weeks and have a maximum of 10 students. For details and to register, visit pearlmfa.org/schoolofart-adultclasses or contact Karri Clark, School of Art Coordinator, at (832) 236-0156 or karripfmfa@gmail.com.

Art Start for Preschool Children

The Pearl's newest program, Art Start, is designed especially for little ones ages 5 and under.

Each week introduces preschool-aged children to visual learning and creative expression, using story time and a related art activity. Sessions are limited to 10 children. The program is free but RSVP's are required by calling (281) 376-6322.

Art Start is made possible through the generous support of Fred Fincher Motors.



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34th AIA Sandcastle Competition

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August 21, 2021, 0:00 AM East Beach, 1923 Boddeker Road Galveston, TX 77550 debby@aiahouston.org

About the Event

The AIA Sandcastle Competition is a fundraising event for AIA Houston and ArCH Foundation as well as one of the top five revenue generating events for the City of Galveston. Competing teams have their eyes and shovels set on winning the prestigious Gold Bucket Award. Firms begin months in advance generating ideas, developing designs, and assigning duties. On the day of the event, the teams - stretched along the beach front - meticulously sculpt their piles of sand and work nonstop for five hours.

The judging of the sculptures is rated on originality of concept, artistic execution, technical difficulty, carving technique, and utilization of the site. In addition to the Gold Bucket, awards are given in several categories including Traditional Castle, Architectural Icon, Kidtastic: Nursery Rhymes, Texas Pride, Pop Culture: Video Games, Go for the Gold, Animal Kingdom as well as Public Favorite, Greatest Feat of Structural Ingenuity, Best Team T-shirt Design, Best Team Signage, and Best Costume. At the end of the day, everyone goes home with memories of a great day at the beach filled with fun, sand, and sun.

EVENT DAY

6:30am - Beach opens for teams and sponsors 9:00am - Public is encouraged to begin to arrive to watch the competition

10:00am - 3:00pm Teams compete and build

1:00pm - 3:30pm Public favorite voting

3:00 - 4:30pm Judging & 4:30pm - Awards Ceremony

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Parking at East Beach Galveston is \$15 cash only collected by the Galveston Parks Board. There is no ATM. There is no Metro bus service, train line, or rapid transit to Galveston or the event. Carpooling is strongly recommended. Allow plenty of time for traffic and parking.

PICNIC

Feel free to bring your own picnic: be sure to mind the City of Galveston's rules and regulations governing East Beach. Visit www.galveston.com/beachparks or call 409.762.EAST for more information. Private team and sponsor tents are not open to the public.

UMBRELLA RENTALS - Reserve your beach umbrella & chairs in advance by contacting **Beach Buddies** at **409.443.5103**.

PETS - Please contact East Beach at 409.762.EAST or visit www.galveston.com/beachparks with questions about beach rules regarding pets.

SCULPTURES - Please respect the hard work of our participants by not touching any of the sand sculptures even after the event. Many spectators visit the beach the next day, on Sunday, to view and enjoy the sculptures.

If you are interested in participating in Sandcastle as a team or sponsor please contact Debby Joiner (teams) at debby@aiahouston.org or Aleks Savitski (sponsors) at aleks@aiahouston.org.



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Mercer Botanic Gardens Are Insects Damaging Your Plants? Here's How to Protect Your Yard This Summer

By James Holmes, Harris County Master Gardener

Gardens and yards contain a variety of insects that may be harmful or beneficial. Destructive insects like aphids and grassshoppers tend to either suck juices or chew plants and fruits. Beneficial insects like ladybugs and the praying mantis typically feed on harmful insects. In an ideal environment, beneficial insects would keep pests under control. When that doesn't happen, it may be time to take an active role in pest management.

If you're tempted to go out and buy a bottle of insecticide, first consider that broad-spectrum insecticides will kill a wide range of insects — harmful and beneficial. Instead, pursue a more selective pest elimination method to reduce pest maintenance in the long-term.

As the saying goes, "the best pesticide is a gardener's shadow." Integrated Pest Management (IPM) encourages gardeners to regularly inspect plants to catch pests early and minimize the use of more drastic control measures. For example, a sharpeyed gardener can flick off or wash away harmful insects if caught early. Attracting birds and other wildlife to help control insect problems is another nature-friendly option. Local wildlife, like birds, need plenty of insects for feeding.

Familiarizing yourself with the appearance of local beneficial insects, both in their larval and adult stages, will help you gauge the ratio of insects in your yard to effectively target the problem. By using less destructive methods, such as frequent monitoring and a water spray, before gradually increasing to more powerful organic pesticides like neem oil or pyrethrin, you can be environmentally conscious while saving money. Remember to pay close attention to the directions when using pesticides on edibles because they can affect if and when it would be safe to consume.

To read more in detail on IPM, go to landscapeipm.tamu.edu.

July Events

Kids are Key to Tree ID, Thursday, July 15, from 9 a.m. to



10 a.m. - Did you know that trees improve our lives in many ways? Join us to learn how to identify the most common treesfound in Mercer's West Side Arboretum and discover their benefits. Registration required. Meet at the Post Oak Pavilion. Ages 9–12.

Virtual Plumeria Sale, Saturday, July 17, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. - Add a tropical twist to your garden this summer as you shop this online specialty plant sale featuring plumerias, gingers, and more! Early shopping is available for members of The Mercer Society on Friday, July 16, starting at 4 p.m. Shop here: themercersociety.square.site. Curbside plant pickup only the following week.

Houston Rose Society

American Hands in Hybridizing Easy Care Roses

Ping Lim has enjoyed a lifelong career in the rose industry. His fame lies in the sheer number of awards that have been bestowed on his creations by the American Rose Trials for Sustainability, the Biltmore International Rose Trials, the Rose Hills International Rose Trials, American Garden Rose Selections, the All America Rose Selections and many more trialing programs around the world.

At last count, Ping has introduced more than 75 roses and his creations can be found in the U.S., throughout Europe, Russia, China, Australia and many other countries. Ping's program will share the stories behind his award-winning roses (including several that will be available next year), the introduction of a new class of roses (HT-Shrub) which have flowers with the form of hybrid tea roses but produce on bushes that grow like shrubs and how he creates these amazing roses. Ping's lifelong mission is to design stunning roses that can be grown by anyone, anywhere without the use of harmful chemicals.

"American Hands in Hybridizing Easy Care Roses" Ping Lim Thu, Jul 8, 2021 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CDT). The meeting link will be available on The Houston Rose Society website at http://www.houstonrose.org/



New Texas License Plate Benefiting Bird Conservation



Houston Audubon announces Texas license plate benefiting bird conservation Houston Audubon recently announced the launch its new conservation license plate which will raise money to protect birds and their habitat. The license plate, featuring an Eastern Meadowlark, is sponsored by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and is available for purchase through the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles. \$22 of each \$30 plate fee collected will support Houston Audubon's mission of bird conservation. Visit houstonaudubon.org/licenseplate for more information and to order.

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The Barking Frog By Cheryl Conley

I looked across my living room the other day and noticed a green glob on the wall. I try to keep a fairly clean house so I was a little surprised to see this and wondered what the heck it was. I walked over for a closer look and realized it was a green tree frog! Now how did this little guy get in my house? I guess it doesn't matter—I just had to get it out. Success. He's now outside where he belongs.

American tree frogs can be found around just about any body of water from Delaware to Florida, in the Gulf states, in Arkansas, eastern Texas, western Tennessee and Kentucky and parts of southern Illinois and Missouri. In Texas, their range is relatively small. They reside east of the I-35 corridor throughout the piney woods and coastal prairies ecoregions.

The most interesting thing about the American green tree frog is that they can change color. When it's resting and is cool, the frog will be gray in color. Once it warms up and is active, it turns vivid green.

Male tree frogs are noisy little things. During mating season,

March to October, they produce a nasal honk or bark which they repeat up to 75 times per minute. Their mating call is distinct from their other calls and is used to defend their territory or to announce rainfall. Rainfall is especially



important to them since breeding takes place after a rain. After a male fertilizes a female's eggs, she deposits the clutch in shallow water among aquatic plants. Depending on the area of the country, a clutch can be from 700 eggs to 2100! The eggs hatch in about a week and the tadpoles turn into frogs in about a month. When full-grown, they'll only be about two and a half inches long.

Tree frogs have interesting feet. They have sucker-like adhesive disks on the end of their fingers and toes which they need to aid in climbing and clinging to grasses and floating vegetation.

Their diet consists of mosquitoes, flies, crickets, moths and other small insects.

Tree frogs live in groups called an army or chorus. They are largely nocturnal and breathe through their skin.



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