

The Oak Creek Village

Community News

The Official Neighborhood Publication for November 2023 - www.oakcreekvillage.org

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Scouts BSA Troop 1659 News Flags Across the Community

For over 20 years, the young men of Scouts BSA Troop 1659 have been placing flags in yards around Oak Creek Village in recognition of our patriotic holidays. For the remainder of 2023, a U.S. Flag will be placed in your yard for Veterans' Day (November). We



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Holiday Decoration Contest

Decorate Your House with Glee!

Gift cards to 1st & 2nd Place Winners

Judging will be by December 20th!

Sponsored by the OCV HOA

OCV HOA Board Meeting Minutes 10/19/23

The meeting was called to order by President Jon Whisler at 7:46 pm. Board members present were Lloyd Bratton, George Arreguin and Racquel Lona. We had a few residents present also. Our evening deputy was also present. The minutes of the previous month was read and approved.

There were no written reports from our Maintenance Director. Our Deed Restriction director had hand surgery so could not get us a written report. Our Recreation Director and Architectural Control directors were not present.

Security report: was read and approved. Please read that in the newsletter.

Treasurer's report: was read and approved.

New Business: Board approved to have some maintenance work done on our buildings and a motion was made to approve \$6350 for the work.

As there was no other business the meeting adjourned at 9:51pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Ooma Lakshmanan – Secretary

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Crimestoppers.....713 222-8477
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Sheriff, Harris County.....713 221-6000
Water & Sewage (24 hour Emergency).....281 376-8802
Harris County Environmental Public Department
- (report neglected swimming pool).....713 274-6300

OCV Accountant, TXMGMT.....832 910-7525
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.....281 342-8178
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Water & Sewage, Bammel Utility District.....281 376-8802

OCV Garden Club Board

President , Anita Cook.....281 440-1093
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*The deadline for the next issue of the
OCV Community News is November 15th!*

OCV Community Association Board of Directors Meeting Reminder November 14, 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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Recycling

Tuesday is your only recycling day!



PLEASE NO – Styrofoam, Windows, Ceramics, Mirrors, Soiled Pizza Boxes, Coat Hangers, Light Bulbs, Paper Towels, Soiled Paper, Soiled Facial Tissue.

For a complete list of acceptable recycle items please visit
<http://www.oakcreekvillage.org/trashservice.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 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)



Oak Creek Village Contract

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Captain J. Coons, District 1 Patrol

Sep. 1-30, 2023

	Total	A. Barboza	J. Morrow	A. Ramirez	S. Schaffer	All Others
TOTAL	300	96	32	146	10	16
ANIMAL AGGRESSIVE	1	0	0	1	0	0
ASSAULT AGG FAMILY	1	0	0	0	0	1
CHECK PARK	3	0	0	0	2	1
CHECK SCHOOL	2	0	0	0	2	0
CHILD CUSTODY DISP	1	1	0	0	0	0
CONTRACT CHECK	207	91	20	91	4	1
CREDIT CARD ABUSE	1	0	0	0	0	1
DISCHARGE FIREARMS	1	0	1	0	0	0
DISTURBANCE LOUD NOISE	4	0	0	0	0	4
EVADING	1	0	0	1	0	0
INFORMATION CALL	1	0	0	0	0	1
MEET THE CITIZEN	8	0	0	7	0	1
MUD BUILDING CHECK	1	0	0	0	1	0
OPEN DOOR WINDOW	2	0	1	1	0	0
PROPERTY FOUND LOST	1	0	0	0	0	1
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	7	1	1	3	1	1
THEFT OTHER	2	0	0	1	0	1
THEFT RESIDENCE	3	0	0	3	0	0
TRAFFIC INITIATIVE	6	0	4	2	0	0
TRAFFIC STOP	30	0	5	24	0	1
VACATION WATCH	3	0	0	3	0	0
VEHICLE RECOVERY	1	0	0	0	0	1
VEHICLE SUSPICIOUS	12	2	0	9	0	1
WELFARE CHECK	1	1	0	0	0	0



OCV Community Association

October 10, 2023

Treasurer Report

Financial Report –

Balance Sheet

The August 31, 2023 balance sheet shows \$572,992 in the bank.

Statement of Revenue & Expense

For August 2023, revenue was above budget by \$4,022 primarily due to higher than budgeted interest income. Expenses were below budget by \$4,775 was mainly due to lower than budgeted legal expense.

Transaction report

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

Additional Notes:

Our 2023 Maintenance Fee of \$343 was approved at the November 2022 meeting and was mailed out the first week of December and was due at the beginning of January 2023. If it has not been paid it is past due therefore fees and interest will be added to it until paid. You can call the accountant to find out how much you owe on your account at 832-910-7525.

Our 2023 Security Fee being collected on the water bill in the amount of \$31.75 was approved at the November 2022 meeting and has been presented to Bammel UD and was increased on the March water bill.



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install a flat device in your yard that will not interfere with lawn maintenance, and our scouts post your flag(s) the Sunday before the holiday, then collect the Sunday following the holiday. We are pleased to also offer military branch flags. Choose from Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or Coast Guard.

U.S. Flag only is \$14 for the remainder of the year; U.S. Flag plus one military branch is \$20. Additional military branch flags can be added for \$4 each, and you can add as many additional military flags as you'd like to your order.

Wreaths Across America

Troop 1659 is once again participating in Wreaths Across America, selling sponsorships for wreaths to be placed at Houston National Cemetery on December 16, 2023. Each wreath sponsorship is \$15, and wreaths can be purchased in memory/in honor of any veteran. This is a fundraiser/service that is very near and dear to the troop, as many of our families have direct links to our Armed Forces, and we work very closely with Paralyzed Veterans of America - Texas Chapter.

These fundraisers allow our youth to provide a service to the community, learn patriotism, and work to accomplish various outdoor and high adventure type activities. It teaches them the importance of "earning their own way" in scouting. Your support of our boys is invaluable!

Please visit www.ih troop1659.org to place your secure order online. For flags, select "**Flags Across the Community**" tab at the top of the home page. **For Wreaths Across America**, select the "SUPPORT" button to reach the link to our WAA page.

**Northwest Forest Republican Women
General Meeting Speaker:
Texas Senator Paul Bettencourt, District 7**

Mark your calendar to hear Texas Senator Paul Bettencourt on November 13, as he updates us on what is going on in Harris County and in Austin. Senator Bettencourt specifically represents Senate District 7 located in Harris County and includes Bunker Hill Village, Hedwig Village, parts of Hous-

ton, Hunters Creek Village, Jersey Village, Piney Point Village, Spring, and Tomball. He is the Chair of the Senate Committee on Local Government and serves on the Senate Finance, Education, and Criminal Justice committees.



First elected to the Senate in 2014, Senator Bettencourt previously served 10 years, from 1998 - 2008, as the Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector, where he introduced "Smart Government" at the Harris County Tax Office and developed a customer service-driven organization. His team created the first major county online property tax payment system and the first county tax office website with online vehicle registration in Texas.

A champion for conservative solutions to Texas' challenges, Senator Bettencourt has built a strong reputation at the Capitol advocating for taxpayers. In previous legislative sessions he worked tirelessly to pass conservative budgets, enact a supermajority requirement within a taxing jurisdiction to raise taxes, as well as author SB 7 which sought to stamp out the growing plague of inappropriate student-educator relationships.

You will not want to miss this meeting!

**Houston Rose Society
Handling Lawn and Garden Pests**



If your organic gardening practices are not working to keep unwanted visitors from your lawn and garden, then you will want to listen to our November speaker, John Klipsch. John is a territory sales manager representing Bonide, which has been in business since 1926 and was founded as a trusted organic and natural brand providing the best solutions for insect, disease and animal control. Bonide products are sold in national and regional hardware and garden centers across America.

John has been in the lawn and garden industry for over thirty-eight years. He started his career in the Garden Department for Payless Cashways and Building Materials. After ten years

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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.**

*Oak Creek Village
Garden Club*

You're invited to join us as we meet each month for a variety of outings in and around Houston, always combined with lunch at a local restaurant. If you're interested in learning more about this group, please contact Jane Flores at 615.423.5410 (call or text), or email to jane.b.flores@gmail.com. We look forward to meeting you!

with Payless, he moved to Spectricide for seven years and then Scotts for sixteen years. The last five years has been spent promoting Bonide's products.

Consulting Rosarians who attend this meeting will receive one hour of continuing education credit. CRs will be required to sign a registration form at the meeting or email president@houstonrose.org prior to the meeting with their email address and GoTo Meeting screen name. Please include the name of your rose society if outside HRS in order to receive credit.

Please join us on Thursday, November 9th at 7 pm from the comfort of your home or office with a computer, tablet or smartphone by clicking on the link below: <https://meet.goto.com/450262805>. Get the app now and be ready when your first meeting starts: <https://meet.goto.com/install>

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For a unique holiday experience, spend a wild weekend in Galveston celebrating the return of

the Island's Sandhill Cranes at **Holiday with the Cranes, Dec. 9 – 10, 2023.**

We're excited to report that Sandhill Cranes have started arriving on the Island's West End. Soon we'll have a few hundred of these majestic birds wintering with us, as they take advantage of our milder climate and plentiful food resources.

To celebrate the arrival of these 3-4 foot tall, red-capped visitors, we invite you to join Galveston Island Nature Tourism Council in what's been dubbed by the New York Times as "one of the quirkiest events in Texas" – Holiday with the Cranes!

We are excited to welcome Paityn Bower and Irvin Louque from the International Crane Foundation's Gulf Coast Programs in Louisiana and Texas as our featured speakers for Coffee & Cranes this year. Afterwards, we'll host our signature Crane Crawl where you'll get to observe the Sandhill Cranes at several previously scouted sites.

Included on the schedule are our ever-
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November 16th 6:30-8:30 PM

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SYMPHONY NORTH
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CHRISTMAS
 Concert 2023

December 3 | 4:00 pm at Salem Lutheran Church

Under the direction of Dr. Karl Blench

featuring:

- Joseph Haydn's Trumpet Concerto in Eb Major with Symphony North soloist, Todd Olges
- Samuel Coleridge-Taylor's Christmas Overture
- Ludwig van Beethoven's Symphony No. 7




Todd Olges

Salem Lutheran Church | 22601 Lutheran Church Rd. | Tomball, TX 77377

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popular events - Dawn Patrol, Coffee and Cranes, East and West End birding field trips and a special new addition - Birding Bonanza at Halls Bayou Private Ranch.

Register for one or all of the activities but sign up ASAP while there is space available! Click the register now button below to learn more about the activities and then grab your tickets while they last.

If you are interested in supporting our event with a sponsorship, please click the sponsor button for the levels and benefits. We look forward to seeing you at Holiday with the Cranes! Visit galvestonnaturetourism.org for more information.



GOLDEN~BLACKHAWK & CENTRAL CITY - The G~B&CC is a large national award winning modular Z scale train layout created by: **Mister Dave**, aka David L. George of Spring, Texas and has appeared at model train shows from coast to coast.

It is now housed at The Tomball Railroad Depot at 201 South Elm, Tomball, TX 77375.

Come out and enjoy the many Rocky Mountain tunnels and bridges plus see the dynamic seashore of New England.

10:00am - 2:00pm Saturday only. For more information visit us at www.mrdavez.com where every day is Saturday!

Save The Date!
Knights of Columbus
Chili Cook Off



Come join the Knights of Columbus Council 14512 (St Edward Catholic Church) 11th Annual Chili Cook-off benefiting The American Wheelchair Mission. The event will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2023 on the grounds of St. Simon & Jude Catholic Church, 26777 Glen Loch Dr., Spring, TX 77381. 10AM to 4PM, final judging begins at about 2:30PM.

Enjoy family entertainment, car show, cornhole tournament, DJ music, games, drinks, homemade desserts, hamburgers, hot dogs and day long raffles of products, services, silent auction and 50/50 raffle. A 5-sample pack/1 drink admission is only \$5.00, which also includes you in day long door prize raffles of about \$10 to \$15. Other raffles from \$3.00 to \$5.00 for much larger prizes will also be conducted during the day, along with a 50/50.

All proceeds go toward purchasing wheelchairs for people in need through The American Wheelchair Mission.

More Holiday Events

Home for the Holidays in Old Town Spring

Christmas in old town spring with shopping, food, and fun!



Starts on november 11, 2023 with the lighting of the christmas tree behind the spring historical museum. November 11, 2023 at dusk - tree lighting. November 11 thru december 24. Free carriage/wagon rides 1:00pm to 6:00pm on november 11. 2:00pm to 5:00pm every weekend thru december 23, includes friday after thanksgiving. Free balloon art animals for the children. 1:00pm – 4:00pm every weekend until December 23. Includes friday after Thanksgiving, Santa & Santa House for children’s pictures. Visit oldtownspringshopping.com for more information.



Join us for the annual **Tomball German Festival Christmas Market** on **December 8-10, 2023**. With a great line-up of vendors, contests & entertainment – it’s fun for the entire family. Most importantly, admission and parking are **FREE**. Location is the Tomball Train Depot, 102 Market Street Tomball, TX 77375.

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Holiday Concert: Sunday, December 10

“Celebrate the Season” with Steinway Artist Don Irwin will take place Sunday, December 10, 2023 in the Main Gallery of the Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts. Guests will enjoy holiday favorites as they are surrounded by beautiful paintings from the museum’s fall exhibition, *Ode to East Texas: The Art of Lee Jamison*.



A classically trained musician, Don Irwin enjoys performing everything from Chopin to the Beatles, and Scott Joplin to Dave Brubeck. Because of his versatility, Don has worked with artists including Willie Nelson, Donna Summer, and Prince, as well as performing with pops orchestras throughout the country.

Tickets are \$35 for members of the Pearl or \$45 for non-members, and may be purchased by calling the museum at (281) 376-6322. To learn more about the benefits of museum membership, visit pearlmfa.org/membership.

Celebrate The Holidays at Texas Master Chorale’s Christmas Concert on December 16



Texas Master Chorale will delight guests with sounds of the season during their Christmas concert on Saturday, December 16.

The 2023-24 concert season is centered around music of peace, love, and joy, with the Christmas concert focused on “Love.” This concert will feature “Glad Tidings,” by



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Randol Alan Bass, for narrator, soloists, choir and orchestra. The Honorable Judge R. Jack Cagle will serve as special guest narrator.

Students from Klein Collins High School Chorale will also perform, under the direction of Elizabeth Marks.

“Love” will take place at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 16, at John Wesley Church, 5830 Bermuda Dunes Drive in Houston, 77069. Tickets are \$25; students are free with school I.D.

Tickets may be purchased online at TexasMasterChorale.org, through the box office at (281) 440-4850, or at the door. Concerts are generously sponsored by Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital and Texas Commission on the Arts.

Notice to Walkers, Joggers, Bicyclists and Scooter Riders!

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. Use of the community walking and jogging trails rather than busy streets is also highly suggested. **The life you save may be your own.**



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