

The Oak Creek Village

Community News

The Official Neighborhood Publication for May, 2025 - www.oakcreekvillage.org

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Ballots due before June 15!

→ Annual Meeting is 06/19/25



OCV HOA Board Meeting Minutes 4/08/25

Jon Whisler the HOA Board President called the meeting to order at 7:37pm. Board Directors present were Raquel Lona, Lloyd Bratton and Board Member at Large Nick Fava. Committee member Jim Bowers was also present. Our 2 Security Officers were also present and a few residents of our community.

The meeting minutes of the previous month was read and approved without any changes.

We had no written reports from the Maintenance Director, Architectural Control Director and the Recreation Director.

The written reports from the Deed Restrictions were read and approved.

Security Report was read and approved.

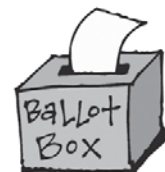
Treasurer's report was read and approved.

The Board unanimously approved \$21000 to redo the 2 columns in front of our neighborhood on Falling creek and also install columns slightly smaller on Gladebrook.

The security officers request the residents when they are parking their cars on the street and especially on cul-de-sac streets to park them in the right direction. The cars in the cul-de-sac should not be parked one behind the other and also not to block driveways and mail boxes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:32pm.

Cordially submitted
Ooma Lakshmanan, Secretary



Deed Restrictions Monthly Report/Topic for March 2025

The OCV Community Association, Inc. (the "Association") identifies and advises property owners and residents of Deed Restriction violations within the Oak Creek Village. When we see a violation, we will be sending the property owner a letter. Please understand we do not know the circumstances or situation a property owner or tenant is dealing with we only know there is a violation. If you receive a letter and there are extenuating circumstances then please contact us and let us know. Do not stew on it, complain, or get stressed out as there is always ways to fix a violation **but if you do not contact us** then we do not know. In some cases, we may be able to help out and get the violation resolved, but the idea of a neighborhood is a neighbor helping a neighbor.

Deed restrictions committee continues its efforts to Identify Violations every month. We have located several violations due to lawn negligence. Maintaining your property is part of Deed Restrictions. Deed Restrictions committee has also notified several residents about Trailers/Boats/Commercial vehicles/Inoperable vehicles.

Note to OCV Property owners:

Spring is in the air, and with it comes the perfect opportunity to freshen up our neighborhood!

As members of this wonderful community, we all play a part in maintaining its charm and curb appeal. A few simple tasks can make a big difference:

' Mowing, Weeding, Trimming, and Edging – Your lawn and landscaping are like the front cover of a book—let's make sure they tell a great story! Keeping grass trimmed, weeds in check, and hedges looking sharp helps keep our neighborhood looking inviting and well-maintained. **"Don't forget to Seed and Water bare spots"**

- Trash Cans Out of Sight - While we all appreciate the convenience of trash collection, no one wants to see bins taking center stage. Please remember to store them out of view after pickup to keep things looking neat.

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Emergency/Helpful Numbers

Emergency, Police, Medical, Fire.....911
Ambulance.....281 440-4300
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
Harris County Environmental Public Department
- (report neglected swimming pool).....713 274-6300

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Forms (713 221-6000)
Post Office-Cornerstone.....281 444-1355
Gas, Centerpoint.....713 659-2111
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OCV Garden Club Board

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

OCV Community Association Board of Directors Meeting Reminder May 13th, 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 and 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.
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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 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
HCSO - SHERIFF Ed Gonzalez
 www.sheriff.hctx.net
 Captain J. Coons, District 1 Patrol

OCV Community Association
April 8, 2025
Treasurer Report

March 1-31, 2025

Financial Report –

Balance Sheet

The February 28, 2025, balance sheet shows \$521,047 in the bank.

Statement of Revenue & Expense

For February 2025, revenue was below budget by (\$1,899) primarily due to lower-than-expected interest and resale income. Expenses were above budget by (\$4,809), which was mainly due to being over budget on legal and grounds repair expense.

Transaction Report

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

Additional Notes:

Our 2025 Maintenance Fee of \$362 was approved at the November 2024 meeting and was mailed out the first week of December and is due at the beginning of January 2025. If it was not paid by January 31st, 2025, there will be fees and interest added to it until paid.

Our 2025 Security Fee to be collected on the monthly water bill in the amount of \$33.25 was approved at the November 2024 meeting and will be sent to Bammel UD for the March 2025 bill to help with the increases we received in the new contract in October 2024 for the new year.

Only Rain in the Storm Drain - You may think that it's ok for little things here and there to be put down the storm drain. It's easy to forget that your one little thing and my one little thing eventually add up to create a monster problem. Our storm drains don't filter what we put into them. They run directly into the bay. To help keep them clean, properly dispose of your motor oil, pick up after your pet, take your car to a car wash, follow the directions when you spray and fertilize your yard and **please don't rake your leaves into the storm drain!**



Please watch out for us!



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By taking care of these small details, we all contribute to a community that looks as beautiful as it feels. Thank you for doing your part! If you have any questions or need assistance, feel free to reach out.

Let's keep our neighborhood looking its best—one freshly edged lawn at a time!

Remember to: Bundle small branches less than 4-feet in length and smaller than 18-inches in diameter and place next to the trash bags for collection. Otherwise, trash company will not

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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!

Teen Job Seekers

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

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Krissa**	14	B+P+H+Y	360-935-2682
Jameson	16	B+P	360-935-2682
Finley	14	B+P	360-935-2682

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.**

collect your debris. Which at that point you will be served a violation notice if debris remains uncollected for more than a week. Please be kind to others and to your community, do not blow your debris on your neighbor's side or leave it in the street. Doing this will not only cause conflict between neighbors but the bigger issue that this action creates will be to our storm system. Preventing this simple act will help the communities storm system from flooding and backing up during rainy weather

Please continue to monitor your property for any diseased or pre-decayed trees needing to be cut down. We want to prevent present and future damage to the neighborhood and avoid Hazardous situations in advance. If you require a professional opinion for dead tree removal, contact the Deed Restrictions Committee at ocvdeedrestrictionscommittee@gmail.com for further information.

- Let's Keep It Neighborly – While we appreciate the hard work of business owners and weekend warriors, parking trailers and commercial vehicles in driveways or on the street can lead to unwanted **violations and costly fines**. Our goal is to prevent these issues before they happen, saving everyone time and money.

- Parking Reminder - As a reminder, parking on lawns is not permitted at any time. This policy helps maintain the appearance and integrity of our neighborhood, protects landscaping, and ensures compliance with local ordinances. We kindly ask that all vehicles be parked in designated driveways or approved areas only. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated in keeping our community clean and well-kept.

- Avoid the Fees, Skip the Hassle – Some violations come with hefty fines, and we'd rather you keep that money in your pocket! If you must park a trailer or work vehicle, please check OCV community regulations/Deed Restrictions and explore alternative parking solutions **before** bringing them into the neighborhood.

A Very Special Thank you to our OCV Residents whom are making an effort and taking the time to maintain their properties. We understand there are many personal factors in the process of lawn maintenance as well as the ability to move around for some of our elderly residents. So please take all necessary precautions while being outdoors this spring season. If you happen to live next door to an elderly resident, please be a good neighbor and offer your help. Sometimes just reaching out and offering your help goes a long way for someone that cannot move around as effortlessly as others.

"Let's be a good neighbor"





OAK CREEK VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC. 2025 ELECTION BALLOT

I or WE as record (owners) of properly or properties in Oak Creek Village hereby cast our written mail-in ballot for the purpose of the Election of Directors to be held at the Annual meeting of the Members to be held on the 19 day of June 2025, and any continuation or adjournment thereof. I or We have placed an X in the spaces before the names of the six (6) persons for which my vote or votes are cast. Vote For 5.

Vote Name of Announced Candidate

_____ Nicholas P. Fava	_____ Darrel Johnson
_____ Joshua Donaho	_____ Shawn C. Lane
_____ Jon Whisler	

I or WE wish to vote for a candidate who is not on the Ballot. I or WE have placed an X in the space before the names of the following persons for which my or our vote(s) are cast for the following write-in candidate(s):

Vote Name of Write-in Candidate(s)

_____	_____
Typed or printed name of write-in candidate.	Typed or printed name of write-in candidate.
_____	_____
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Typed or printed name of write-in candidate.	

Instructions: The mail in ballot must be returned by First Class U.S. Mail or hand delivered and must be addressed as follows:

Ooma Lakshmanan 15311 Ripplestream Drive, Houston, Texas 77068

Your name and the property address must appear on the return address portion of the envelope, Mail-in ballots received after the date of the Annual Meeting will not be counted.

**Please be sure to include your name and property address on the return
address portion on the reverse side of this ballot.**

Name: _____

Property Address: _____

Scouts BSA Flags Across the Community



For over 20 years, the young men of Scouts BSA have been placing flags in yards around Oak Creek Village in recognition of our patriotic holidays. For \$35, Troop 272 will place a U.S. Flag in your yard for Presidents' Day (February), Memorial Day (May), Flag Day (June), Independence Day (July) and Veterans' Day (November). Our scouts

provide you with an outdoor flag and pole, installing a flat device in your yard that will not interfere with lawn maintenance.

We are pleased to also offer military branch flags. Choose from Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, or Space Force. Military flags are \$10 each, and you can add as many additional military flags as you'd like to your order.

This fundraiser allows 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 <https://flags.troop272.com/> to place your secure order online. If you have questions, email

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Houston Rose Society It's 110 Degrees. . . Now What Do I Do?



In Houston, May is usually our last month of nice weather before the outside temperatures soar above 100F. We are fortunate to have Lou Pavlovich share his 40 years of scientific knowledge and experience with growing award winning roses in a high heat climate like Houston. He has won over 120 Queen of Shows and numerous challenge class trophies!

Lou and his wife, Diane, live in Tucson, Arizona where temperatures stay higher than 110F for six months out of the year. Prior to 2000, they grew over 250 roses and when they moved to a new home their garden was scaled back to 50 roses grown in pots due to terrible soil conditions. Lou will share his techniques of using shade cloth to reduce temperatures while continuing to fertilize and water during the high temperature months.

Lou is the former Consulting Rosarian Chairman for the Pacific Southwest District; former President and Editor for the Rose Society of Tucson; and has been involved with several American Rose Society national committees over the years. He currently manages the Rose Society of Tucson's website and has also authored many award winning articles on grow-

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This is one program that you will not want to miss on Thursday, May 8th at 7 pm CT. Please join us virtually using Zoom by visiting the link below:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8186999785?pwd=JrgelM9cJYNz0mKP2lb05byOSxgGxp.1&omn=86592085512>

or go to zoom.us and manually enter the meeting id and passcode:

Meeting ID: 818 699 9785, Passcode: 956200

Texas Crab Festival

The Texas Crab Festival is set to celebrate its 40th anniversary from May 9 to 11, 2025, at Swedes Park in Crystal Beach, Texas. This beloved Mother's Day weekend tradition offers a vibrant mix of Gulf Coast culture, live music, and family-friendly activities. Attendees can look forward to events such as the 2-Step Dance Contest, Wiener Dog Races, Washers Tournament, Crab Gumbo Cookoff, and a 5K Fun Run. The festival also features vendor booths showcasing food like Boiled or BBQ Crabs, Boiled Crawfish, Fresh Shrimp and more, along with arts, and crafts, and... a live and silent auctions. Proceeds benefit local community initiatives through the Texas Crab Festival Charities.

For more information visit www.TexasCrabFestival.org
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