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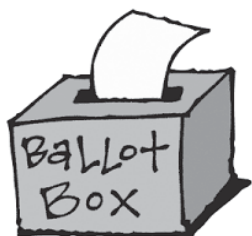
## Inside June

- Your OCV Ballot is Inside!  
Get Ready to Cast Your Vote!
- Summer Events



### The 2024 OCV Cudas Season is here!

The OCV Cudas 2024 season is around the corner. The Cudas, starting their 51<sup>st</sup> season, are looking for swimmers of all ability levels from ages 5-18 to join us. The Cudas are a part of the Northwest Aquatics League (NWAL), which is made up of neighborhood teams throughout NW Houston who compete with each other during the May-June swim season. Signup starts at the beginning of April and practice at the Oak Creek Village pool (across from Reynolds Elementary) starts in late April. Look for more details soon at [www.ocvcudas.com](http://www.ocvcudas.com).



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## Prepare for Hurricanes Now!

### Know Your Hurricane Risk

Hurricanes are not just a coastal problem. Find out how rain, wind, water and even tornadoes could happen far inland from where a hurricane or tropical storm makes landfall. [Start preparing now.](#)



### Make an Emergency Plan

Make sure everyone in your household knows and understands [your hurricane plans](#). Include the [office, kids' day care, and anywhere else you frequent](#) in your hurricane plans. Ensure your business has a [continuity plan](#) to continue operating when disaster strikes.

### Know your Evacuation Zone

You may have to evacuate quickly due to a hurricane if you live in an evacuation zone. [Learn your evacuation routes](#), practice with your household and pets, and identify where you will stay.

- Follow the instructions from local emergency managers, who work closely with state, local, tribal, and territorial agencies and partners. They will provide the latest recommendations based on the threat to your community and appropriate safety measures.

### Recognize Warnings and Alerts

Have several ways to receive alerts. [Download the FEMA app](#) and receive real-time alerts from the National Weather Service for up to five locations nationwide. [Sign up for community alerts](#) in your area and be aware of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) and Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA), which require no sign up.

### Those with Disabilities

Identify if you may need additional help during an emergency if you or anyone else in your household is an [individual with a disability](#).

### Review Important Documents

Make sure your [insurance policies and personal documents](#), such as ID, are up to date. Make copies and keep them in a secure password-protected digital space.

### Strengthen your Home

De-clutter drains and gutters, bring in outside furniture, and consider hurricane shutters.

### Get Tech Ready

[Keep your cell phone charged](#) when you know a hurricane is in the forecast and purchase backup charging devices to power electronics.

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## Emergency/Helpful Numbers

Emergency, Police, Medical, Fire.....911  
Ambulance.....281 440-4300  
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Crimestoppers.....713 222-8477  
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Poison Control, poisoncenter.org.....800 222-2222  
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Gas, Centerpoint.....713 659-2111  
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*The deadline for the next issue of the OCV Community News is June 15th!*

## OCV Community Association Board of Directors Meeting Reminder June 11th, 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. 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

HCSO - SHERIFF Ed Gonzalez

www.sheriff.hctx.net

Captain J. Coons, District 1 Patrol

# OCV Community Association

May 14, 2024

Treasurer Report

Financial Report –

April 1-30, 2024

	Totals	K. Chang	D. Eason	J. Morrow	All Others
TOTAL	255	63	43	139	10
ALARM LOCAL	3	1	0	1	1
CONTRACT CHECK	167	55	39	73	0
CREDIT CARD ABUSE	1	0	0	0	1
DIST JUVENILE	1	0	0	1	0
DRUG OD POSSESSION	1	1	0	0	0
MEET THE CITIZEN	1	0	0	1	0
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	5	0	1	0	4
TELEPHONE HARASSMENT	1	0	0	0	1
THEFT OTHER	2	0	0	1	1
TRAFFIC INITIATIVE	37	0	0	37	0
TRAFFIC STOP	28	5	0	23	0
VACATION WATCH	1	0	1	0	0
VEHICLE STOLEN	3	0	0	2	1
VEHICLE SUSPICIOUS	1	0	0	0	1
WELFARE CHECK	3	1	2	0	0

Balance Sheet

The March 31, 2024 balance sheet shows \$523,517 in the bank.

Statement of Revenue & Expense

For March 2024, revenue was over budget by \$562 primarily due to being above budget on interest income. Expenses were under budget by \$320 was mainly due to timing of grounds repair expense.

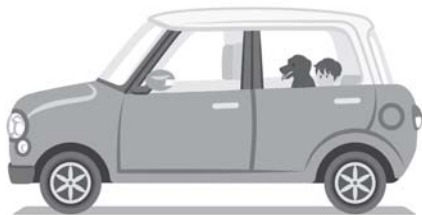
Transaction Report

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

Additional Notes:

Our 2024 Maintenance Fee of \$352 was approved at the November 2023 meeting and was mailed out the first week of December and was due at the beginning of January 2024. If it was not paid by January 31st there will be fees and interest added to it until paid.

Our 2024 Security Fee to be collected on the monthly water bill in the amount of \$32.50 was approved at the November 2023 meeting and was sent to Bammel UD for the February 2024 bill to help with the increases we received in the new contract in November 2023 for the new year.



Leaving kids & pets in car. Hot car. Not cool.

### 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!**

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### Help your Neighborhood

Check with neighbors, senior adults, or those who may need additional help securing hurricane plans to see how you can be of assistance to others

### Gather Supplies

Have enough supplies for your household, include medication, disinfectant supplies and pet supplies in your go bag or car trunk. You may not have access to these supplies for days or even weeks after a hurricane.

### Stay Informed

- Pay attention to emergency information and alerts.
- If you live in a mandatory evacuation zone and local officials tell you to evacuate, do so immediately.

### Dealing with the Weather

- Determine how best to protect yourself from high winds and flooding.
- Take refuge in a designated storm shelter or an interior room for high winds.
- Go to the highest level of the building if you are trapped by flooding. Do not climb into a closed attic. You may become trapped by rising flood water.
- Do not walk, swim or drive through flood waters. Turn Around.

Don't Drown! Just six inches of fast-moving water can knock you down, and one foot of moving water can sweep your vehicle away.

### Returning Home After a Hurricane

- Pay attention to local officials for information and special instructions.
- Be careful during clean up. Wear protective clothing, use appropriate face coverings or masks if cleaning mold or other debris. People with asthma and other lung conditions and/or immune suppression should not enter buildings with indoor water leaks or mold growth that can be seen or smelled, even if these individuals are not allergic to mold. Children should not help with disaster cleanup work.
- Wear protective clothing and work with someone else.
- Do not touch electrical equipment if it is wet or if you are standing in water. If it is safe to do so, turn off electricity at the main breaker. Do not wade in flood water, which can contain dangerous pathogens that cause illnesses. This water also can contain debris, chemicals, waste and wildlife. Underground or downed power lines also can electrically charge the water.
- Save phone calls for emergencies. Phone systems often are down or busy after a disaster. Use text messages or social media to communicate with family and friends.
- Document any property damage with photographs. Contact your insurance company for assistance.

For more information visit [ready.org](http://ready.org)

## 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](mailto: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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Jack	15	P+Y	715-821-2280
Krissa**	14	B+P+H+Y	360-935-2682

Please email your work information to [publish1@copperheadfarms.net](mailto: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.**



### Flags Across the Community Scouts BSA Troop 1659

A heartfelt thank you to all of our 2023 customers for continuing to support our Scouts BSA Troop! Your flag orders allow us to keep our troop active and our gear in tip-top shape!

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 2024, a U.S. Flag will be placed in your yard for Memorial

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# OAK CREEK VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC. 2024 ELECTION BALLOT

I or WE as record (owners) of property 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 18th day of July 2024, and any continuation or adjournment thereof. I or We have placed an X in the spaces before the names of the two (2) persons for which my vote or votes are cast. Vote For 2.

**Vote    Name of Announced Candidate**

\_\_\_\_\_ Lloyd Bratton

\_\_\_\_\_ Raquel Lona

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)**

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Typed or printed name of write-in candidate.

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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, TX 77068**

Your name and the property address must appear on the return address portion of the ballot,  
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 below.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Property Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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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, or Coast Guard. U.S. Flag only is \$28 for the year; a U.S. Flag plus one military branch is \$40. Additional military branch flags can be added for \$8 each, and you can add as many additional military flags as you'd like to your order.

Troop 1659 also participates in Wreaths Across America, which allows us to place sponsored wreaths on the graves of service men and women at Houston National Cemetery. For only \$17, you can sponsor a wreath to be placed on graves at Veterans' cemeteries around the country every December, thanking the fallen hero for their service, and sharing a blessing for their families.

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!

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## Summer Fun

### 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Shrimporee, June 14-16<sup>th</sup>

The annual Shrimporee festival has celebrated the rich heritage of this coastal community for 76 years. The festival pays homage to a time when Aransas Pass was known as the Shrimp Capital of the World. The weekend includes live music on two stages, craft vendors, a live cooking stage serving up shrimp, a carnival, and kids' zone, parade and several family-friendly activities and more. For details visit [www.aransaspas.org/shrimporee/](http://www.aransaspas.org/shrimporee/) or call 361 758-2750 for ticket information. Location - The Festival Grounds. Aransas Pass.



### Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo History Exhibit - Houston, The Heritage Society, 1100 Bagby Street, Houston. Through July 31, 2024. Tue. - Sat., 10- 4pm

Be an urban cowboy/girl and two-step over to The Heritage Society to see an museum gallery exhibit filled with 92 years of Rodeo History! From award-winning paintings to vintage bronco bull riding photos, this HLSR exhibit complements the rodeo season in February and the Texas History Month in March. This exhibit represents the cowboy spirit across Houston's main heritages and is a big part of Houston history!



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**Apply online today!**

Rodeo culture brings nearly all Texans together through food, skills competitions, music, parades, fundraisers, the carnival, vendors/exhibitors, and family entertainment.

Some of the artifacts include George Bush Presidential Library Foundation saddle holder, Black and Hispanic Cowboy Heritage, Taylor Swift, Dolly Parton, Cody Johnson, Alabama, plus more signed guitars showcase (#swifties), Photography, paintings, collectibles, costumery, and memorabilia of all the competitions.

**Save the date! Galveston Sandcastle Competition - Saturday, September 21, 2024.** This event is free and open to the public. Located on East Beach parking is \$15 (CASH ONLY; NO ATM) - [www.visitgalveston.com/](http://www.visitgalveston.com/)



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