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OCV HOA Board Meeting Minutes 07/08/25

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jon Whisler at 7:30pm. Board Directors present were Darrel Johnson, Lloyd Bratton, Joshua Donoho, Raquel Lona and Nick Fava. Members present were Jim Bowers and Ooma Lakshmanan. Our OCV Security Officer was also present. Few of our residents were also present.

The officers from the Boys Scout Toop 272 part of the Fallbrook Church were present, and said Troop 1659 has been dismantled that they were taking over the initiatives done by Troop 1659. They wanted to use the space Troop 1659 was using, our old Firehouse. The Board requested the members of Troop 272 to send a formal letter to our HOA Board. The members agreed and a motion was made to approve the request of Troop 272 to use the Red Firehouse, and motion was granted. The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

The Security report was read and approved The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

We did not have any written reports from the Recreation, Deed Restrictions, Architectural and Maintenance Directors, but there was discussion about general maintenance, deed restriction violations and architectural approvals etc. If you need to know what is going on please attend your HOA meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm. All are welcome. The Board approved up to \$3000 to install rubber mulch in the play area on the club house grounds for safety reasons.

They also approved to get 8 "NO PARKING" signs to be installed on the greenbelt sections of our neighborhood. The signs will be in both directions and placed on both sides of the street on Gladeridge and on Stillview.

The meeting adjourned at 8.36 pm.

Submitted by Ooma Lakshmanan, Secretary

Houston Rose Society Integrated Pest Management for the Rose Garden

Baldo Villegas retired as a Senior Environmental Research Scientist (Entomologist) from the CA State Department of Food and Agriculture as in 2011. He worked for the State Agriculture Department for over 34 years developing and implementing biological control programs against invasive insect and weed pests throughout California.

He is an avid gardener. His rose garden contains over 1200 roses of all types plus there is a rose holding area with about 1000 potted plants of all types. His garden also has over 50 fruit trees, 30 grapevines, 60+ blueberry plants, numerous blackberry plants and a large vegetable garden with many types of vegetables. The backyard features many perennial plants that were especially selected to attract birds, bees, beneficial insects, and butterflies.

Baldo will discuss Integrated Pest Management (IPM) which is the integration of all pest control practices that least impact the environment and controls pests at acceptable levels. IPM requires knowledge of your plants and their potential pest problems and if possible choose those plants that are known to be resistant to its major pests. IPM also requires constant monitoring or scouting for potential problems and to take appropriate action when a problem is first found.

He will show us how he uses IPM in his rose garden for the last 45 years in the Sacramento area of northern California. Baldo does not spray any pesticides, so beneficials are very common in his garden and keep major insect and mite pests under control. His roses were planted about 4-6 feet apart to allow good air circulation, and this reduces the incidence of disease problems

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

OCV Community Association Board of Directors Meeting Reminder Aug. 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 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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www.sheriff.hctx.net Captain J. Coons, District 1 Patrol

June 1-30, 2025	Total	R. Guillen	J. Morrow	All Others
TOTAL	184	100	36	48
ACCIDENT MINOR	1	0	0	1
ANIMAL AGGRESSIVE	1	0	0	1
ANIMAL HUMANE	1	0	0	1
ASSAULT FAMILY	1	0	0	1
BURG HABITATION	1	0	0	1
CHILD CUSTODY DISP	1	0	0	1
COMPLIANCE CHECK	1	0	0	1
CONTRACT CHECK	94	76	18	0
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	3	0	0	3
DIST FAMILY	3	1	0	2
DISTURBANCE LOUD NOISE	6	0	0	6
DISTURBANCE OTHER	2	0	0	2
DOMESTIC PREVENT	5	1	0	4
FRAUDULENT USE ID	1	0	0	1
ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLE	6	6	0	0
INFORMATION CALL	5	1	1	3
MEET THE CITIZEN	10	2	0	8
MENTAL HEALTH CALL	2	0	0	2
MUD BUILDING CHECK	3	3	0	0
NUISANCE ABATEMENT	1	1	0	0
SOLICITORS	1	1	0	0
SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT	3	1	2	0
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	4	1	1	2
TERRORISTIC THREAT	1	1	0	0
THEFT OTHER	1	1	0	0
THEFT RESIDENCE	1	0	0	1
TRAFFIC INITIATIVE	13	1	12	0
TRAFFIC STOP	2	0	2	0
VACATION WATCH	3	3	0	0
VEHICLE STOLEN	1	0	0	1
VEHICLE SUSPICIOUS	2	0	0	2
WELFARE CHECK	3	0	0	3
WRIT	1	0	0	1

OCV Community Association July 8th, 2025 Treasurer Report

Financial Report -

Balance Sheet

The May 31, 2025, balance sheet shows \$483,529 in the bank.

Statement of Revenue & Expense

For May 2025, revenue was below budget by (\$1,010) primarily due to lower-than-expected interest income. Expenses were above budget by (\$8,167), which was mainly due to being over budget on Forced Mow / landscape and Insurance Expense.

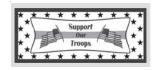
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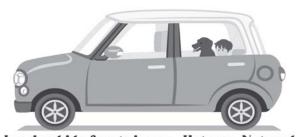
We had our normal operating expenses in the month of May.

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.





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

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Baldo is an Accredited Horticulture Judge (1987), Consulting Rosarian (1987) and Master Consulting Rosarian (2005) with the American Rose Society. From 1989-2003, he served as Northern California- Nevada-Hawaii (NCNH) District Chair of Consulting Rosarians. He also served a 3-year term as National Chair of the Consulting Rosarian for the American Rose Society.

He is an active member of the American Rose Society as well as his three local rose societies. Baldo has received numerous local, district and national awards, as well as, had two different rose hybridizers name a miniature and a mini-flora rose with his name.

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 name, email address, and n ame of your rose society if outside HRS in order to receive credit.

Please join us virtually using Zoom on Thursday, August 14, 2025 at 7:00 PM Central Time at

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/ 8186999785?pwd=JrgelM9cJYNz0mKP2lb05byOSxgGxp. 1&omn=89589525604

Meeting ID: 818 699 9785 - Passcode: 956200

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!

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The Society for the Advancement of Floral Design

The Society for the Advancement of Floral Design (SAFD) will hold our first meeting of the 2025-26 Season on Tuesday, September 16th, 2025, at Christ the Good Shepherd Church, located at 18511 Klein Church Rd., Spring, Texas 77379. We will be meeting in Rooms A-201, A-203 and A-205, located upstairs in the Main Office building. Refreshments will be served at 6:30 pm with the meeting starting at 7 pm.

Our presenter is Maggie Bailey, who in 2014 founded Bramble & Bee, a floral design studio based in Tomball, Texas, specializing in bespoke, garden-style floral arrangements.

Floristry was initially a hobby for Maggie, before she turned it into a full-blown business endeavor. Now she has a team of four—including her husband Mick—who work alongside a handful of talented freelance artisans to craft innovative bouquets using stems sourced from local flower farms in Texas and from places across America, Holland, Japan, and Central America.

For Maggie, it's the dynamic nature of floristry that keeps her inspired. "We are inspired by lush, overgrown English gardens, our Texas roots, and punches of color."

This is going to be an exciting evening that you don't want to miss, and we encourage anyone who has an interest in flowers and the art of designing to join us. We have membersranging from novice designers to floral shop owners and Texas Master Florists. All are welcome to join us to learn and socialize together!

For further information, please contact Christine Givens at 281-387-6626 or email givens3@sbcglobal.net.



Orgins Five immersive "experiences" blending music, art, and storytelling

Kicking off with "Origins" on Saturday, September 6, 2025 at 7 PM at Lone Star College—Montgomery (Recital Hall), this opening concert explores the deep connections between classical greats like Bach, Beethoven, Satie, and Vivaldi—and the pop songs they've inspired.

About The Woodlands Diversion:

Founded in 2023, this 501(c)(3) nonprofit enriches The Woodlands arts scene through dynamic collaborative performances combining classical music, dance, film, poetry, and visual art. Their mission is to make the arts accessible, innovative,

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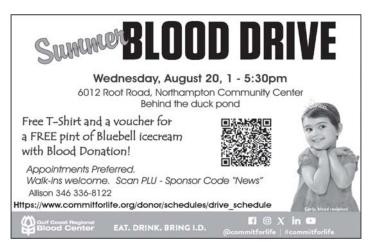
Galveston ArtWalk, Saturday, the 2nd Saturday monthly. Presented in partnership with downtown galleries, artist studios, nonprofits, and local businesses, ArtWalk takes place inside existing art spaces. This popular event



is free and open to everyone. 2127 Strand, Downtown Galveston from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Classes and Programs at Canopy Cancer Survivorship Center

June is full with programs and events at Canopy Cancer Survivorship Center! Canopy is a cancer survivorship on the campus of Memorial Hermann The Woodlands Medical Center. Canopy is open to men and women, no matter where you were treated, and for any kind of cancer – at no cost to you. If your life has been impacted, whether you were the patient or the caregiver, you have a safe haven at Canopy. Check out the August calendar for events and RSVP by calling (713) 897-5939.





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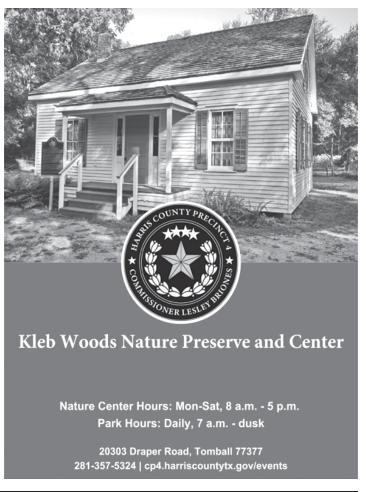
from coast to coast. It is now housed at The Tomball Railroad Depot at 201 South Elm, Tomball, TX 77375. Come out and enjoy the many Rocky Mountain tunnels and bridges plus see the dynamic seashore of New England. 10:00am - 2:00pm Saturday only. For more information visit us at www.mrdavez.com where every day is Saturday!

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!





Scouts BSA Flags Across the Community



For over 20 years, the young men of Scouts BSA have been placing flags in vards 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 flags@troop272.com, use the "Contact Organizer" link on the website, or you can call us at 281-606-5640.



Pearl Fincher | Museum of Fine Arts

Preschool | Little Art Historians

If you have a tiny artist in your life, make plans now to register for Little Art Historians at the Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts!

Designed for children ages 3 to 5 and a parent or guardian, Little Art Historians is an art history program for preschoolers. Through this innovative program children learn about famous artists, then create art in a similar style.



In the process they learn skills for preschool readiness like listening, following directions, fine motor skills, and color mix-

The next session of Little Art Historians will take place in October on Wednesday mornings from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. at the museum. For details or to register, visit pearlmfa.org.

Creating Together: In Partnership with the Houston Alzheimer's Association

Creating Together is a collaboration between the Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts and the Houston Alzheimer's Association.

Designed especially for people with early-onset dementia and their caregivers, this free program includes a flexible 30-minute tour of the Pearl's current exhibitions, followed by a craft inspired by the exhibit. Creating Together takes place while the museum is closed to the public, offering a quiet and welcoming space for reflection and creativity.

The next program date will be Monday, September 15, from 11 a.m. to noon. To register, please contact Adrianne McGee at the Houston Alzheimer's Association, ammcgee@alz.org or Samantha Aguilar at the Pearl Fincher Museum, samantha@pearlmfa.org.

To learn more or volunteer, contact Rebecca Burns at rebecca@pearlmfa.org or (281) 376-6322.



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Worms of Mass Duplication

By Cheryl Conley Board of Directors Lake Creek Nature Preserve

If I were to say "hammerhead", what animal comes to mind? I'm sure most of you would say the hammerhead shark. While hammerhead sharks cruise the oceans with their iconic Tshaped heads, hammerhead flatworms ooze across



driveways and freak out gardeners pulling weeds.

They are native to Southeast Asia and were first documented in the USA in the early 1900's arriving on infested plants and soil. They can be found across the USA but they prefer warm, humid conditions and have been reported in Dallas, Austin, Houston and along the coast.

Hammerhead worms are an invasive species and pray on our beneficial earthworms and other invertebrates. Because earthworms are necessary for the health of our forests, crops, gardens and compost piles, hammerheads can negatively impact local ecosystems.

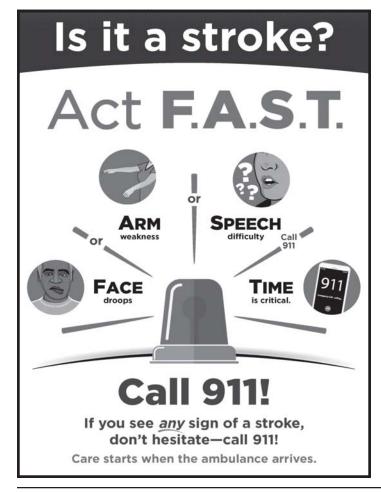
They are light brown or honey colored with 1 to 5 dorsal stripes and can grow up to a whopping 15 inches! They se-

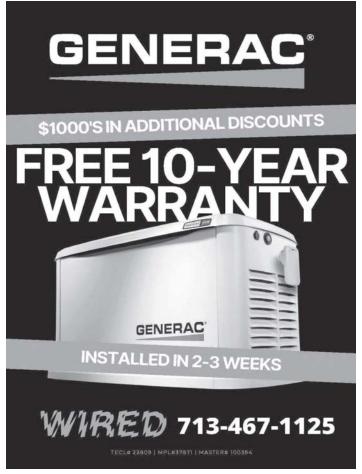
crete a toxin to make themselves noxious to predators, and to aid in digestion. The toxin can potentially cause nausea and vomiting in pets if ingested and causes skin irritations in humans.

Like something right out of a horror movie, if you were to cut a hammerhead in two, two new worms will form. Cut it in 4 pieces and you will get 4 new worms. That's why it's important to know how to properly dispose of them. First of all, if you find one, wear gloves. You can spray them with a combination of citrus oil and vinegar or just vinegar alone. After you spray them, place them in a Ziploc bag. You can also put the worm in a Ziploc bag and then add salt or vinegar. Then dispose of the sealed bag. Report your finding to the Texas Invasive Species Institute (https://tsusinvasives.org/). This organization is focused on research, coordinating early detection and a rapid response to invasive species that currently impact, or have the potential to impact, our ecosystems.

And so, beware the hammerhead worm. Just remember: if you see one, don't panic and resist the urge to whack it (seriously, it'll just clone itself like it's auditioning for a sci-fi reboot), and let it remind you that even in the garden, nature has a bizarre sense of humor.







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