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## SECURITY PROGRAM UPDATE

Your AONA Security Committee has been busy over the past year, and we would like to tell you about some of the changes we have made. For many years the neighborhood security patrol program was managed by Ed Beck, and he has now turned over the responsibility to the Security Committee managed by Tim Powell. The group includes Board members James Jack, Tom Harvey and Wendy Klokkevold. They ensure that we have off-duty deputy sheriffs patrolling the neighborhood year round, and they deal with any issues the patrols bring to them. Tom Harvey, our AONA Treasurer, ensures that we pay for the patrols on time so that we have never had any gaps in the patrol service. We currently have over 75 percent participation of Arden Oaks residents in the security program, which is the best we have ever had, so currently we have about eight patrols a week.

Starting this year, the AONA Board has elected to make the security phone number available to *all* Arden Oaks residents, not just to those who contribute to the security fund. This decision is due in large part to the high level of participation by three fourths of our neighbors, but also, we felt that maximizing communication between the residents and the security patrols will benefit all of us in Arden Oaks.

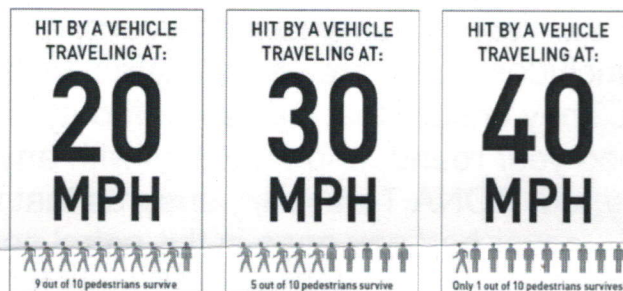
A couple of new things enacted by the Security Committee include the following: Last December, there was an added patrol every day to deter package theft during the holiday season. The patrols were instructed to 'follow if necessary' the UPS and Fed Ex delivery folks. In fact, this appeared to be very successful and we heard of only one incidence of theft during this period. Due to the success of this program, assuming we have the funds, we will begin the program immediately following Thanksgiving this year and continue it through December.

Another initiative this year was the Speed Awareness Program. This involved working with the County to determine our options, and then designing, purchasing,

and installing signs at all the entrances to the neighborhood, encouraging drivers to heed the speed limit. From anecdotal comments, this appeared to be more successful than we had hoped, and instead of the originally planned temporary three-month program, the signs have been left up for now and are scattered throughout the neighborhood, not just at the entrances. More signs are available to any residents who would like to place them on their property. There are still a few left - contact one of us if you would like a sign.

Consider these facts from National Highways Traffic Safety Administration

- Most speeders on residential streets live in the neighborhood.
- Pedestrian fatalities **increase by 3 times** at speeds of 30 MPH instead of 25MPH
- Residential streets have a fatality rate per miles driven **over 2 times higher** than on highways



Other projects still in the works include improving the information sharing about the neighborhood activities reported by the security patrols. In the near future, we hope to make available regular summary reports to all contributors to the security program.

We are all so fortunate to have such a successful security program with such widespread support throughout the neighborhood. With the Security Committee running the program and the ongoing generous support of the residents, we are assured of continued success of the program in the coming years. Thank you to Tim and his team!

### **General County Guidelines - County Right of Way**

A number of neighbors have asked us about the increasing number of solid-structure mailboxes that have been installed throughout Arden Oaks within the County's right-of-way easement, often constructed with concrete cinderblock and covered in brick or stone. We have been informed that mailboxes in the County



right of way should be constructed of a "break-away" material which is basically a 4X4 wooden post as used on Stop signs and Street signs. (The County right-of-way extends 25 feet from the center of the roadway to the edge of the property) The concern is the potential for injuries to motorists who may accidentally run into these solid permanent mailbox structures. If you are considering installing one of these solid mailboxes, please be aware of the potential for the County's Code Enforcement to cause them to be removed and the potential for liability exposure.

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### **2.12.035 Obstructions at Sidewalks, Pedestrian Pathways and Public Road Rights-of-way.**

It is unlawful to set out, install or maintain, or to allow the setting out, installation, or maintenance of any of the following items on or along any sidewalk, pedestrian pathway, or street right-of-way: basketball hoops; garbage or recycling cans placed on the street for collection for a period greater than seventy-two (72) hours in any one week; signs; hedges; structures; natural growths; fences; or other obstructions on any sidewalk, pedestrian pathway, or within the street right-of-way. In addition, trees shall be maintained in such a manner that foliage remains trimmed to a minimum height of seven feet above any pedestrian walkway and fourteen and one-half (14.5) feet above any paved roadway or shoulder area. Items placed in the street for pickup and removal in connection with Neighborhood Cleanup Days are exempt from this provision. (Ord. 1441 § 2, 2009.)

### **Annual BBQ**

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 8, for the annual Arden Oaks neighborhood BBQ! This long-standing Arden Oaks tradition is a great opportunity to hang out with your neighbors, meet new neighbors, and celebrate the end of summer right here in our own neighborhood. We'll be serving the same delicious food prepared by Ray Jackson and Heavenly Grill on Wheels, and live music by Bob Stanley and the Extra Innings Band will ensure a festive mood. This year we have a new location in the creek side, shady yard of Paul and Paula Legacki on Maple Glen Road. As usual, the BBQ is free to all residents of Arden Oaks, though you are welcome to bring guests for a small fee. Be on the lookout for detailed invitations to be sent by email in August or on our website [Ardenoak.org](http://Ardenoak.org), as we will need folks to RSVP to get an accurate head count. We hope to see all of you there!



## Meet your patrol Deputies

### *Meet Deputy Amar Gandhi*



Amar Gandhi joined the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office in May of 2005, when he was sworn in as a Deputy Sheriff. He was initially assigned to the Main Jail Division, spent a short time at Court Security Services and ultimately rotated to patrol in Central Division. He primarily worked on the swing shift and graveyard shift and served as a Field Training Officer, training new Deputies when they came out to Patrol Services. He was then chosen to serve on the Central Division's Problem Oriented Policing (POP) Team, where he was responsible for targeting

high impact crimes and criminals within Central Division and the South Bureau. In July of 2018, Amar was promoted to Sergeant and is currently assigned to the Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center, as a shift supervisor. Sergeant Gandhi has received several commendations during his career for special assignments ranging in organizing charity soccer events and conducting presentations for community organizations, to participating in high impact warrant sweeps. He is married to his wife, Sima (a public school teacher) and they have three children together: their sons, Krish (10) and Rishi (5) and their daughter Anu (3).

## **Web site – Ardenoaks.org**

Over the past year, your AONA Board has taken on the creation and maintenance of the Arden Oaks website and made some changes we hope you will find useful.

- 1) Because it is now hosted on GoDaddy , it comes with a very readable mobile version. There is no 'app' meaning you cannot get it from the App Store to put on your phone, , but it is readily accessible as a link [www.Ardenoaks.org](http://www.Ardenoaks.org) Of course, you can place this as an Icon on your PC or laptop and we encourage you to do so.
- 2) We have a current picture and listing of AONA Board members and contact information for the President. We have also established a few generic emails under gmail which can be used by all of our Board members for communications about our NPA, the BBQ and the OffDuty patrol program. These addresses all route to a current Board member and can be re-routed when that duty changes. These are listed at the bottom of the Board page under the ABOUT US tab. . Please use this contact information for any issues or questions you may have.
- 3) We have updated the Security pages with pictures and Bios of our regular Off-Duty patrol deputies. Use this to get familiar with the deputies who patrol our area on a regular basis. They generally stay for several years or more so it is worth taking a few minutes to get to know who they are
- 4) We have a new Resident page where we have placed the New Resident's Handbook . A member of the Board tries to meet every new Resident and give them a handbook. Take a look at it - there is a lot of information about us . There are also forms to fill out if anyone has lost their Security Billing or Membership Dues forms. And - we try to profile our new Residents so we all can welcome them to our community

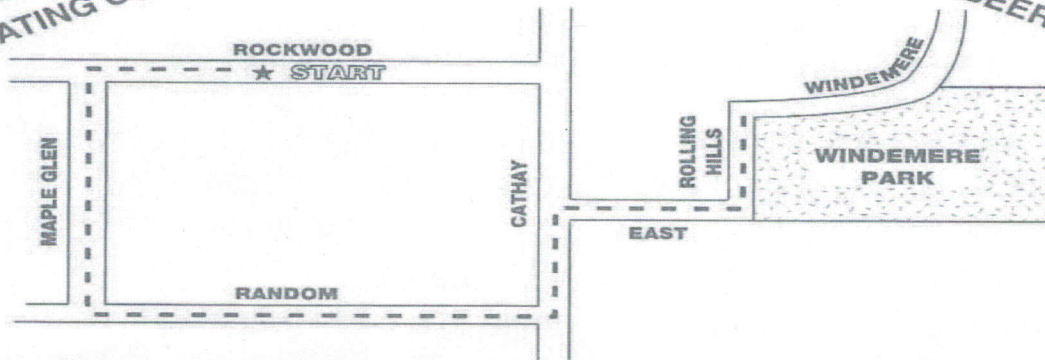
We can change and edit it whenever we need to. Please give us feedback if you have suggestions as to how it might be more useful to you.



# ARDEN OAKS 4TH OF JULY PARADE

PARADE  
SACK RACES  
PIE EATING CONTEST

MUSIC  
BALLOON TOSS  
ROOT BEER STOP



*Decorate Something That Moves  
(bikes, mowers, wagons, or self)  
& Join The Parade!*

PARADE FORMS: Rockwood at Maple Glen at 9:30 a.m.  
Free Balloons and Flags  
Parade begins at **10:00 a.m. SHARP!!!**  
Destination - Windemere Park



We would like to thank the following residents who have contributed to the Off-duty Sheriff Patrol. A special thanks to those with an \* next to their name for their extra contributions.

Jesse & Sallie	Adams	Jackie Shelby & R	Greve	M. Chan and Danny	Ponder
Debbie and Mark	Aizenberg	Ray & Laurie Wood	Gundlach	Matthew & Erin	Post
Gus & Bronya	Bagatelos	Michael	Guyette	David & Susan	Post
John & Freedom	Bailey	Pete and M'Lissa	Halimi	Praveen and Nalini	Prasad
Pauline & Amit	Banerjee	Brian & Victoria	Hanly	Vincent & Ellen	Quilici
Doug & Anne	Bayless	Tom & Nancy	Harvey	Lor & Susannah	Randall*
Edward & Linden	Beck*	Bryce & Tiffany	Holladay	Bkaskara & Sharan	Reddy
Blake & Linda	Bender	Antoinette	Irwin	Ron & Anita	Ricci*
Rick	Benedet	Ralph & Dolly	Isoia	Ed & Jessica	Rincon
Carrie & Taylor	Bentley	James & Crystal	Jack	Mark & Marcia	Rodebaugh
Gary & Martha	Benvenuti	Timothy & Denise	Johnstone	Steve & Cheryl	Rossiter
Cliff & Debbie	Berg	Bruce & Elizabeth	Jones	Jeff & Julie	Sauls
Philip & Michelle	Bernstein**	Ara & Viva	Karamanoukian	Adham & Cheryl Lyles	Sbeih
Marilyn	Best	June & Loyd	Kelly	William & Elaine	Schaedler
Mark & Donna	Blum	Mead & Nancy	Kibbey	Summer and Tim	Schaedler
Jason	Bollinger	Cole & Wendy	Klokkevold*	David	Schauer
Larry & Marjorie	Booth**	Steve & Linda	Koire	George & Dorothy	Separovich
Nora Geraghty & S.	Boyle	Prabhakar & Sobha	Kolipara	Kuppe & Shaku	Shankar
Jack & Anne-Marie	Bruner*	Joseph & Sheri	Kozina	Carl	Shin**
Daniel	Brunner	Marshall & Nancy	Kraus	Charles & Audrey	Skeen
Robert	Buffington	C. Castleberry & E.	Kurianowicz	Tim & Dana	Sloan
Joseph & Maxine	Burns	Ram Sita	Lalchandani	Larry & Maren	Smith*
Andy & Beth	Byers	Judson & Sheron	Landis	Todd	Spivey
Tim & Laurel	Cahill	Luko & Lisa	Laptaio	Christiane & Stuart	Spoto
Christopher & Kim	Campbell	Virginia	Larson	K. Christiansen & W	Staines
Steve & Donna	Carlson	Scott & Linda	Lasher	Joyce Hsiao & Bob	Stanley
John & Celeste	Chin	David and Jennifer	Leatherby	Mark & Melinda	Stawicki
James	Chu	Paul & Paula	Legacki	Eric & Louisa	Stiff
Aaron	Cook	David & Rita	Lehman	Predrag	Stojakovic
Sam	Cunningham	J. Mastronarde & K.	Lewellen	Chris & Marla	Strain
Ben & Hazel	Cutshall	William	Lewis	Phil	Stubblefield
Robert & Margaret	De Cicco	Tim	Lewis	Worth & Janet	Summers*
John	DeBenedetti	Wen-pen Yang-Ching	Liu	Marc & Carole	Sussman
Jim & Kathleen	Deeringer	Alexander & Stacy	Locke	Sherif & Sumaya	Sweha
Maryanne Giokas & J	Demas	Anna	Locke Estate	Cas & Jakki	Szymanowski
J. Smith & Monica	Doan	Nick & Chris	Lowe	Tim	Taylor
Michele & Thomas	Ehlert	R. Thompson-Pegg & S	Lukowicz*	Chris & Lynda	Taylor
Doug & Pam	Elmore	Kimarie	Lyon	Tim & Kristine	Taylor *
Tom & Jackie	Eres	D. Whisman & Brenda	Main	Cynthia	Teixeira
Rosemary	Erlwine	Michael & Maxine	Mantell	Jerry & Joyce	Thompson
Geoffrey & Kelly	Evers	Robert & Gail	McMichael	Peter & Jelena	Tiemann
Greg & Danae	Evrigenis	Bina Vasantharam & C	Middleton	Bob & Darle	Tilly
Rowena & Kenneth	Fahn	Richard & Nancy	Miller*	Vinod & Archana	Trivedi
Daniel and Debra	Falco	James & Helen	Moorefield*	Tony & Julie Steiner	Tsai
Michael & Linda	Fazio	Shelley & Mark	Morgan	Angelo & Sophia	Tsakopoulos
Jim & Ann	Fish	Maureen Little & Daniel	Morris*	Don	Turner
S. Summers & David	Forbess	Paul & Kay	Morrison	Heidi	Wagner
Glen & Alicia	Fowler	Bob & Jerrienne	Naify	Tim Powell & Tatia	Wagner*
Jay & Mollie	Freeman	Ralph & Laurie	Nanzer	Thomas Huang & Paul	Wansik
Mark & Marjorie	Friedman	Larry & Patty	Nicholas	John and Jane	Wheaton
David & Stacey	Friedman	Grove & Sally	Nichols	Trey & Kelli	Wheeler
Edward & Kelly	Garfield	Henry & Lynne	Nix	Shirley	Wheeler
Patricia	Geyer	John	Pappas	John & Lori	White
Larry & Laurie	Goldman	Brian & Carol	Parker	Josh & Libby	Wickland
Dave & Erla	Goller*	Jacob & Molly	Parnell	Robert & Susan	Wood
Hedy	Govenar	Jane	Parsons**	Franklin & Sandra	Yee
Greg & Linda	Grant	Ravi & Tiffany	Patel	Karun	Yee
Thomas & Joanne	Grant	Valerie & Joel	Pearlman*	Wendy	Ziegler
		Gary	Perry	Mark and Rhonda	Zieman

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