

# THE ACORN



Arden Oaks Neighborhood Association Newsletter - [ardenoaks.org](http://ardenoaks.org)

September 2021

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday

#### September 12, 5pm

Neighborhood BBQ at 2000 Rockwood

RSVP required to attend

### Month of December

Holiday Lighting Contest  
Prizes to be awarded!

### Holiday Lighting Contest A New Arden Oaks Tradition?

This December, the AONA Board will be sponsoring a holiday lighting contest for all residents in Arden Oaks, and we will be awarding prizes in a wide range of categories. So this winter, when the sun goes down early, let's get creative and light up the neighborhood! Winners will be announced in a future Acorn



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors,

What a great turnout for the 4th of July parade and games! We had about 250 neighbors celebrating our nation's birthday together on a beautiful Sunday morning. The Sacramento Sheriff's Deputy led the parade through the neighborhood, passing by the root beer stand on Random Lane, and ending at Windemere Park where there was live music and a fire engine waiting and ready to kick off the games. There was lively competition in all the age brackets for the sack races and three-legged races, and we had over 180 people competing in the balloon toss. Due to covid concerns, we had to cancel the pie-eating contest, but there were plenty of popsicles and watermelon for everyone to enjoy. This annual 4th of July tradition in Arden Oaks began over fifty years ago, and barring any future pandemics, we fully intend to keep it going for the next fifty years. Thanks to our Board members for organizing the event, and more importantly, to all the kids, parents, friends, and neighbors for making it happen!

The Board continues to work on your behalf, monitoring the security, planning neighborhood events, and improving communication with all of you. We plan on publishing the Acorn four times a year. All of the issues will be posted electronically on the Arden Oaks website <[ardenoaks.org](http://ardenoaks.org)>, but only the June issue will be printed and mailed to you. We will send you the other three issues — September, December, and March — by email. This is another good reason to make sure your current email address is in our database, so if you need to update or add a new email address, please to contact me anytime at: [aona.president@gmail.com](mailto:aona.president@gmail.com).

In this issue, you can check out the status of our security program, and please be sure to read details about upcoming plans for a holiday lighting contest in the neighborhood.

We hope to see you all at the annual BBQ in September!

Joyce Hsiao  
AONA President

## ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD BARBECUE TO BE ON SEPTEMBER 12

The Board is delighted to bring back the annual neighborhood barbecue this year, after the unfortunate cancellation last year due to covid. This Arden Oaks tradition is free to all residents and is a wonderful opportunity for neighbors to gather, meet each other, and share a meal, all while listening to live music. It's like a block party but for the whole neighborhood! Tom and Nancy Harvey are once again hosting the event in their front yard at 2000 Rockwood. Live music will be provided by According to Bazooka, a Sammie-award winning four-piece combo with two women (one on bass and one on accordion) and two men (one on drums and one on guitar).

This year, we are taking extra precautions with covid variants still persisting. Besides being entirely outdoors, the barbecue will be serving individually boxed meals and individual servings of all drinks. Jackson Catering will be preparing hot entrées for adults and children. Adults have their choice of either lemon rosemary chicken, roasted tri tip, or spinach & ricotta manicotti. Children get to choose between chicken tenders or macaroni and cheese. And everyone will get cookies and Leatherby's ice cream for dessert.

If you haven't already, please send your RSVP to the event by email to [aona.bbq@gmail.com](mailto:aona.bbq@gmail.com). Please state your name, number of adults, children (10 and under), and guests, and indicate your choice of entrée for each adult and child.

## SAC COUNTY 311 CONNECT

Is there a dead tree limb in the roadway hovering precariously near your house? It's easy to contact Sacramento County and they will take care of it! The County has a very simple three-digit number — 311 — to call for non-emergency issues in unincorporated areas such as Arden Oaks. The service representatives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to assist with any of the available service requests offered by the County. Examples of the types of services include: missed trash pick-up, ditch and culvert cleaning, tree or tree limb removal request.

## RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER — CONTACT INFORMATION

Evolve has provided the following contact information for any questions or concerns related to the residential treatment center located in Arden Oaks at 1708 Ladino Road. For day-to-day concerns, contact the onsite program director, Gauri Sanchez, by phone at (916) 634-4984 or by email at [gsanchez@evolvreatment.com](mailto:gsanchez@evolvreatment.com). For all other concerns, contact their leadership team director, Kelsey Schaefer, by phone at (310) 882-8083 or by email [kschaefer@evolvreatment.com](mailto:kschaefer@evolvreatment.com), or send an email to [neighbors@evolvreatment.com](mailto:neighbors@evolvreatment.com).

The AONA Board would also like to thank Evolve for their generous contribution to the AONA membership fund.



## SECURITY REPORT

During June, July, and August, the security patrol program continued as usual, with an average of 25 to 30 shifts per month. Each shift is four hours long, with starting times varying throughout the day from early morning to late night. This period was by and large uneventful, and the deputies reported only one incident (described below).

On average, the patrol officers conducted about four vacation checks each day in response to requests by contributing members of the security program. During the vacation checks, the deputies walk around the property, check for any problems, and call the designated person if any problem is noted. No incidents of vacation problems were reported. Most of the time, all of the vacation check properties were secure, but every once in a while, the officers will find the property not completely secure, such as an unlocked garage, window, or fence gate. In these instances, the deputies contacted the homeowners to help secure the property while they are away.

On average, the patrol officers received 4 to 5 contacts from residents during each shift, either through emails, texts, phone calls, or simply by being waved down during a shift. Most of these residents contact the officers because of concerns of suspicious people who don't look like they belong in the neighborhood or look like they are homeless. The patrol officers have been proactive about keeping the homeless out of Arden Oaks, mainly through ongoing contact with the Homeless Outreach program.

### Here is the officer's first hand account of the one reported incident that occurred during this period:

*I started the shift off by seeing multiple missed calls within 30 minutes prior to starting my shift. As I was trying to listen to the messages I received another call from the resident who was following a suspicious subject wandering through the area and walking onto peoples yards. I located the subject near La Playa and Village Lane. The subject was heavily under the influence of multiple narcotics and probably had been huffing spray paint. The subject also had a felony warrant for burglary and probation revocation. I took the subject into custody and booked him into jail. It did not appear the subject did any damage and did not have any property on him belonging to any of our residents. After I cleared the jail I spoke with the resident who had called our cell phone and reminded the resident to call the Sheriff's Office directly for emergencies and to only use the number to pass on information, vacation request and other non time-sensitive information.*

### PEDESTRIAN SAFETY TIPS

Among the many charms of Arden Oaks is the absence of sidewalks, allowing us to have more greenery, trees, and shade. However, pedestrians (walkers, joggers, strollers, etc.) should keep in mind the following safety guidelines:

- **Walk facing traffic (left side of the street).**
- **Keep alert at all times, and when a car approaches, make sure the driver sees you.**
- **Watch for cars entering or exiting driveways.**
- **When you walk at night, wear reflective materials and/or carry a light.**

### Arden Oak Patrol # 916-612-9410.

This phone is only in use when patrol is on duty. If you leave a message it may be a day or two before someone gets back to you. Use the non emergency sheriff number to report suspicious activity or crimes.

### Non Emergency Sheriff # 916-874-5115

**Going on vacation?** Email [ao4@sacsheriff.com](mailto:ao4@sacsheriff.com) with your vacation dates. Security will check on your property while you are away.



## SMUD PROPOSED RATE CHANGES

SMUD is proposing rate increases of about 1.5% in 2022 and 2% in 2023 plus a new solar and storage rate for customers that add rooftop solar energy generation to their homes. The proposed rate increases are well below the forecasted rate of inflation. This rate increase is needed for wildfire prevention and mitigation, infrastructure improvements to maintain reliability, compliance with clean energy requirements. SMUD is a community-owned, not-for-profit electric utility, and SMUD's rates are over 30% lower than those of PG&E. For more information, see the following website: [smud.org/Rate Info](https://smud.org/Rate-Info)

## WELCOME TO NEW NEIGHBORS IN ARDEN OAKS SINCE 2020

Mansoor Alduleme & Salie Klaib

Jon & Devon Berrier

Brandon & Catherine Bettar

James & Duojia Cooney

Karen Schultz & Peter Czobor

Evolve

Tom & Kristine Hoffart

Lilia Fackler & Duane Miller

Steve & Mary Mills

Terry & Charles Moore

Robert & Jennifer Paganelli

Pernell Ramos

Robert & Alicia Sakowitz

Tim & Summer Schaedler

Kent & Roya Sheridan

Francisco Silva

Michael & Lindsay Stovall

Derek & Jee Takehara

Chirag & Aashima Vaid

Veronica Padilla & Vaughn Valdez

Sean Woo



## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Arden Oaks is fortunate to have a diverse mix of long time residents, new residents, young, old, and every age in between. The Board would love to hear from any of the neighbors who are willing to share something about themselves and their family. Maybe an anecdote about when you first moved to Arden Oaks, or maybe a close encounter with a turkey? Or perhaps there's a former Olympic athlete or anonymous romance novelist lurking among us? Send your story to [aona.president.com](mailto:aona.president.com), and we'll include it in the next Acorn!

**CONTRIBUTORS TO SECURITY PROGRAM FOR SECOND HALF OF 2021**

**SPECIAL thanks** to the neighbors who have already contributed to the security program and off-duty sheriff patrol for the second half of 2021 (as of August 13). The participating residents are listed below, and **EXTRA** special thanks to those in **bold** face type for their extra contributions. If you don't see your name on the list, there's still plenty of time to send your contribution. This payment for the second half of the year is especially important because it covers security patrols during the winter holidays.

Jesse & Sallie  
Debbie & Mark  
Bruce & Lori  
Pauline & Amit  
Harrison & Brittany  
William & Laurie  
Doug & Anne  
Edward & Linden  
Blake & Linda  
Gary & Martha  
Cliff & Debbie  
**Philip & Michelle**  
Marilyn  
Brandon & Catherine  
Jason  
**Larry & Marjorie**  
Stephan & Nora Geraghty  
**Jack & Anne-Marie**  
Daniel  
Joseph & Maxine  
Patricia Phillips & Gale  
Andy & Beth  
Tim & Laurel  
Christopher & Kim  
Michael & Lynda  
Steve & Donna  
**John & Celeste**  
James  
Aaron  
Sam  
Ben & Hazel  
John & Christi  
Robert & Margaret  
Jim & Kathleen  
James Smith & Monica  
Michele  
Doug & Pam  
Tom & Jackie  
Rosemary  
Geoffrey & Kelly  
Greg & Danae  
Rowena & Kenneth  
Daniel & Debra  
**Michael & Linda**  
Glen & Alicia  
Mollie  
David & Stacey  
Patricia  
Larry & Laurie  
**Dave & Erla**  
Jeremy  
Greg & Linda  
Thomas & Joanne  
Mark & Liz  
**Ray & Laurie Wood**  
Brian & Victoria  
Tom & Nancy  
Kiumars & Mimi  
Tom & Kristine Kjellsson  
Bryce & Tiffany  
Antoinette  
Ralph & Dolly  
**James & Crystal**  
Bruce & Elizabeth

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Anapolsky  
Banerjee  
Barnes  
Barron  
Bayless  
Beck  
Bender  
Benvenuti  
Berg  
**Bernstein**  
Best  
Bettar  
Bollinger  
**Booth**  
Boyle  
**Bruner**  
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Burton  
Byers  
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Campbell  
Campos  
Carlson  
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Grotewohl  
**Gundlach**  
Hanly  
Harvey  
Hekmat  
Hoffart  
Holladay  
Irwin  
Isola  
**Jack**  
Jones

Ara & Viva  
Nancy  
**Cole & Wendy**  
Prabhakar & Sobha  
Joseph & Sheri  
**Nancy**  
Chris Smith & Vivian  
Ram & Sita  
**Judson & Sheron**  
Virginia  
Scott & Linda  
David & Jennifer  
Paul & Paula  
Beverly  
Michael & Irina  
Josh Mastronarde & Kelly  
Tim  
William  
Wen-pen & Yang-Ching  
Andy & Stacy  
Nick & Chris  
Kimarie  
Daniel Whisman & Brenda  
Michael & Maxine  
Robert & Gail  
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Jesse & Michelle  
Chris & Angie  
Richard & Nancy  
Steve & Mary  
James & Helen  
Shelley & Mark  
Bob & Jerrienne  
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Larry & Patty  
Grace & David  
Jacob & Molly  
**Jane**  
Ravi & Tiffany  
**Valerie & Joel**  
Gary  
**Manny Alvarez & Erica**  
David & Susan  
Praveen and Nalini  
**Vincent & Ellen**  
Lor & Susannah  
**Bkaskara & Sharan**  
**Ron & Anita**  
Ed & Jessica  
Mark & Marcia  
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Adham & Cheryl Lyles  
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George & Dorthy  
Kuppe & Shaku  
Carl  
Henry  
Tim & Dana  
**Larry & Maren**  
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Warrick & Katerina Christiansen  
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Mark & Melinda  
Eric & Louisa  
Michael & Lindsey  
Phil  
**Worth & Janet**

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**Klokkevold**  
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**Kraus**  
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**Summers**

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Sherif & Sumaya  
Cas & Jakki  
Derek & Jee  
**Tim**  
**Chris & Lynda**  
**Tim & Kristine**  
Cynthia  
Jerry & Joyce  
**Peter & Jelena**  
Bob & Darle  
Tony Tsai & Julie Steiner  
Angelo & Sofia  
Don  
Heidi  
Tim Powell & Tatia  
Christopher & Staria  
Thomas Huang & Paul  
John and Jane  
Trey & Kelli  
**Shirley**  
John & Lori  
Josh & Libby  
Robert & Susan  
Franklin & Sandra  
Karun  
Pandurango & Sudha  
Daniel

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Rebecca  
Jeremy & Anna  
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Doris  
Mike & Krista  
LeRoy  
Michael & Judy  
Martha  
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Zacharias