

## Waterford Park

### COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

OLDE OAKS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

## Focus on Safety: Our Sheriff's Deputies

Olde Oaks/Waterford Park has four full-time Sheriff's deputies who patrol our community day and night. Not only does their presence deter crime, but in an emergency, they are close by and ready to respond. In this four-part series, we will introduce our deputies and share some ideas on staying safe at home and on the go.

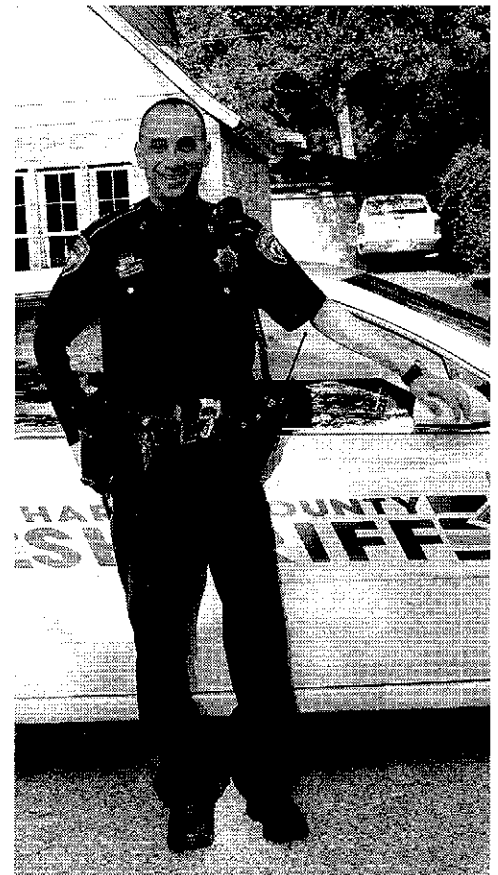
Deputy Jeff M. Parson is on patrol during the afternoon and evenings. Deputy Parson is a 16-year veteran of HCSO. After graduating high school, Parson began pursuing a business degree at University of Houston. He took a course in criminal justice, and realized that law enforcement was his true calling. After completing training at the Police Academy and a stint as a citizen jailer for HCSO, Deputy Parson worked as a "district car," answering calls anywhere and everywhere. For the past several years, he has been a contract deputy for our community.

Deputy Parson says that the best part about his job is the human interaction. "I like talking with people and helping them see their way through difficult situations. I try to stay optimistic, and I think this attitude helps others stay optimistic as well," he says.

One of the most memorable calls he has been on was to a home where the homeowners were convinced there was a burglar lurking in their chimney. Parson says that he crouched down on the hearth and carefully peered up into the chimney with a flashlight. Instead of a potential criminal, he came face to face with a giant 40-pound raccoon!

How can we stay safe and avoid being a crime victim? "Don't drive the same route every day," says Deputy Parson. "Criminals watch for patterns, so vary your routine. Leave a few minutes earlier or later. Enter and exit the neighborhood using different routes. If you suspect someone following you, don't go home. Pull into a cul-de-sac – the other vehicle has no reason to follow you into a dead-end street. Go to a public place and call for help."

Deputy Parson is a native Houstonian. He enjoys spending his free time with his wife and two young sons.



## Notice to Homeowners of Olde Oaks CIA Board Meeting

**When:** 2nd Wednesday of each month  
unless otherwise posted

**Where:** MUD 44 Bldg. on TC Jester  
on south side of the bridge

**Time:** 6:45 p.m.

September 11 • October 9 • November 13

Monthly meetings are conducted to address the Board's new and old business. Residents are encouraged to attend; however, discussion during the Board Meetings is limited to the directors. A brief Q&A session will be held at the end of each meeting for resident questions and comments.

Residents with specific property or account concerns should address these questions to ACMI directly. If you want to receive an email reminder for upcoming meetings, send an email request to [info@ACMIimgmt.com](mailto:info@ACMIimgmt.com) with your name, address and email address.

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## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Got exciting news to share? Have something for sale?  
 Have a community-related event to publicize?  
 Want your neighbors to know more about an important issue?  
 Submit all of this and more to the *Olde Oaks Waterford Park Community Newsletter*. We want to hear from you!

**The October Newsletter Deadline is September 10.**

Editor: **Laura Summers**

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For hand-delivery, please leave in the box marked "Olde Oaks Editor" on the front porch, **not** in the U.S. mailbox. All submissions must be signed to be considered for publication.

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## OLDE OAKS Interest Group Contacts

If you are interested in joining any of the Olde Oaks Interest Groups, please call the neighborhood representative listed.

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## Keeping Pests at Bay

We live in the back of Olde Oaks and, from time to time, we have had an issue with wild animals invading our backyard. This summer we have had a large number of raccoons around. Raccoons can be dangerous, especially to other animals, and they can carry fleas, parasites, and even the rabies virus.



Even though we have a completely fenced-in backyard, raccoons still get in, as they are climbers. Remember to make your yard an undesirable place for these pesky animals. Never leave garbage, pet food or any other food source outside.

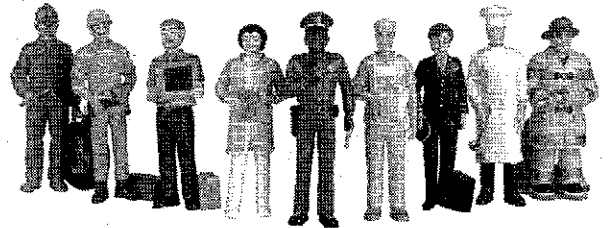
If you have a fence, check often to see if animals are digging under and into your yard (skunks are notorious for doing this). Plug up any crawl space where an animal could make a nest.

Big, loud dogs in the backyard are a deterrent, as well as clanging metal objects. A raccoon can kill a small dog, and since they are nocturnal, always check before letting your dogs out after dark.

We can't keep wild animals out of our yards 100% of the time, but taking these steps will help.

*Submitted by OO/WP Resident Pam Wilkins*

## Happy Labor Day! Monday, September 2



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- Weight Management

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- September 4 at 6 p.m.
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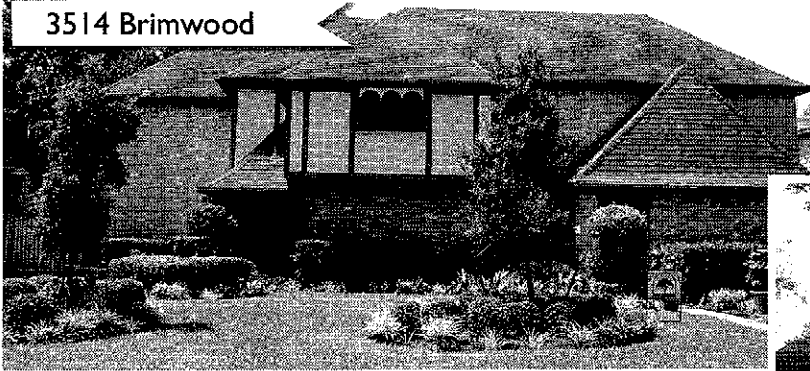
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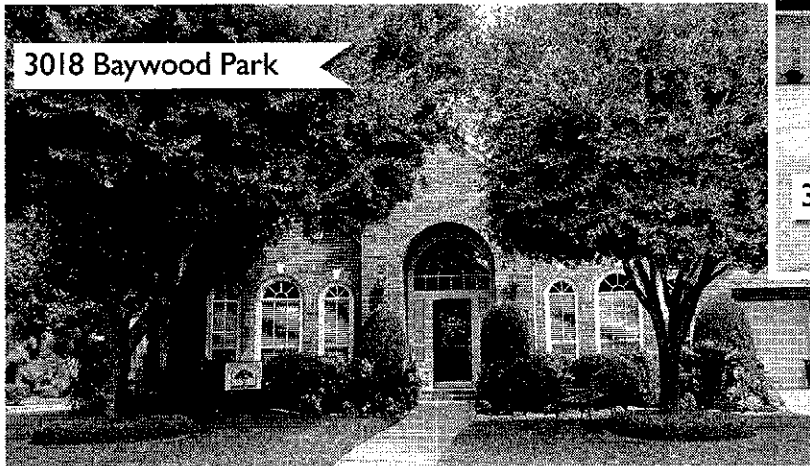
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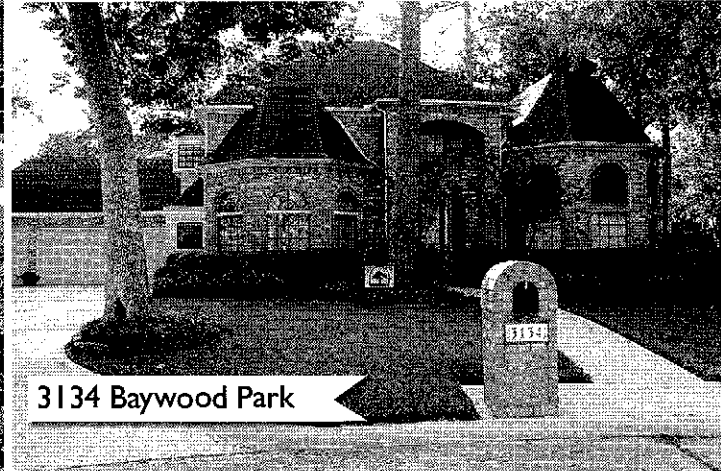


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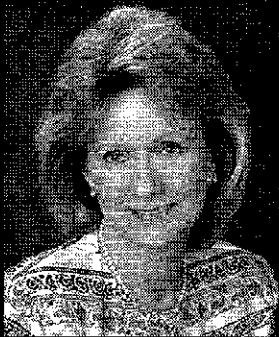
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9-1-1 Hang-Ups.....2	Meet the Citizen.....30
Accidents.....2	Solicitors.....0
Alarms.....24	Suspicious Persons.....8
Burglary to a Motor Vehicle....3	Suspicious Vehicles.....6
Criminal Mischief.....4	Stolen Vehicle.....2
Discharging a Firearm.....2	Traffic.....14
Disturbance.....12	Vacation Watch.....50

Don't make your vehicle or property an easy target for criminals – keep your garage door closed if you are not in the garage or yard, lock your car doors when you exit, and take your valuables, like lap tops, cell phones, weapons, and jewelry out of the car when you go inside.

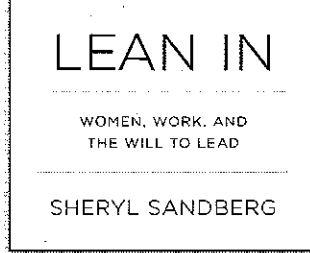
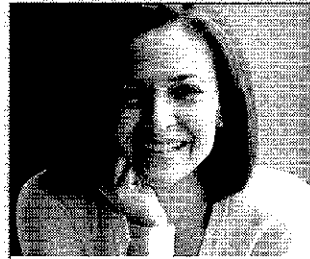
Olde Oaks/Waterford Park has four full-time Harris County Sheriff's deputies who patrol the neighborhood at all times. If you see suspicious or criminal activity occurring, call 9-1-1 for emergencies and 713-221-6000 for nonemergencies.

Watch for "Alerts" posted to our community website at [www.oocia.org](http://www.oocia.org).

For information about registered sex offenders: [www.familywatchdog.us](http://www.familywatchdog.us)

# Book Club

## "Footnotes"



Book club this month will be on September 24 at the home of Heather George, and I will be the discussion moderator. We'll be discussing *Lean In: Women, Work, and the Will to Lead* by Sheryl Sandberg.

This popular book was published in 2013. Ms. Sandberg is Chief Operating Officer at Facebook and "examines why women's progress in achieving leadership roles has stalled, explains the root causes, and offers compelling common sense solutions that can empower women to achieve their full potential."

In the book she relates her own mistakes and daily struggles and gives practical advice on negotiating changes, utilizing mentorship, and building a satisfying career. She urges women to set boundaries and abandon the myth of "having it all."

Even though many of us have retired or haven't necessarily worked in the corporate world, there may be some advice we also can use in our daily lives and organizations in which we participate. Read it for yourself, and see what you can glean.

Besides being COO of Facebook, Ms. Sandberg is ranked on *Fortune's* list of the 50 Most Powerful Women in Business and one of *Time's* 100 Most Influential People in the World. Prior to working at Facebook, she was vice-president of Global Online Sales and Operations at Google and chief of staff at the United States Treasury Department.

Presently she lives in northern California with her husband and two children. Also on the cover of the book it is mentioned that she is "donating all her income from this book to establish Lean In, a nonprofit organization that encourages women to lean in to their ambitions and to other charities that support women."

Kathy Hall, Book Club Coordinator

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## Cypress-Woodlands Junior Forum Partners with TOMAGWA



Cypress-Woodlands Junior Forum prepares for another busy year at TOMAGWA HealthCare Ministries. For over 13 years, Cypress-Woodlands Junior Forum has partnered with TOMAGWA HealthCare Ministries to provide immunizations and dental care for area residents. In 2012 more than 2,231 immunizations were provided to 746 patients. For more information on receiving immunizations and dental care, contact TOMAGWA at 281-357-0747.

Cypress-Woodlands Junior Forum is a growing organization of women dedicated to providing volunteer services, leadership and philanthropy to enrich the communities in north Harris and south Montgomery counties. CWJF partners with agencies, schools and corporations to fulfill identified needs in education, crisis intervention, interaction with an aging population and support for people with disabilities.

Cypress-Woodlands Junior Forum is a 501(c)(3) non-profit assistance organization and a recognized chapter of Junior Forum, Inc. For more information on joining or donating to CWJF, call 281-379-1391 or visit us at [www.cwjuniorforum.org](http://www.cwjuniorforum.org).

## St. Ignatius Loyola

### Fall Festival and Craft Fair

St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church is having its annual Fall Festival and Craft Fair on Saturday and Sunday, October 5 and 6. Come and join the fun, live entertainment, games, crafts and tasty international foods. We will have bingo, children's train, inflatables, used book sale, talent show, silent/ live auctions, sports live auction and much, much more. We are located at 7810 Cypresswood Drive, Spring, 77379. For more information email us at [Festival@silcc.org](mailto:Festival@silcc.org).





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FREE ESTIMATES



# Update on Captain Dowling

We know firsthand of the devastating physical injuries that fire can cause. One of our own firefighters was critically injured in the 5-alarm motel fire that also took the lives of four other Houston firefighters on May 31. Houston Captain Bill Dowling has also been employed as a Champions firefighter since 2004 and has suffered life changing injuries as a result of the building collapse. Recently, a benefit was held at Wolfie's on SH 249 where over \$100,000 was raised to help Bill and his family. Unfortunately, that won't go very far as Bill's injuries are so severe (Bill has lost both legs). Bill has a wife and three children that he was the primary provider for and has a very long road to recovery and is still in critical condition. Bill is continuing to make miraculous improvements each day but still needs many prayers. If you haven't had an opportunity to donate, it isn't too late. The Harris County ESD 29 William Dowling Benefit Fund is still open at the Trustmark Bank located at Cypress Creek Pkwy. and Haynes Rd. (near Target). Any amount will help greatly. Just think, if everyone whom this newsletter reaches simply gave \$10, Bill's benefit account would grow exponentially.

[www.championsfire.org](http://www.championsfire.org)

## Teen Job Seekers

### Attention, Teen Job Seekers!

To be listed as a Teen Job Seeker, email your name, phone number and job preferences to [OldeOaksEditor@hotmail.com](mailto:OldeOaksEditor@hotmail.com). To keep the list up-to-date, your listing will run for three months. You will need to resubmit your listing every third month. This column is for informational purposes only. No recommendation is being made by OOCIA.

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# CreekFest Houston 2013

The Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce CreekFest Houston 2013, a celebration of the arts and outdoors in Northwest Houston. CreekFest 2013 will be held along Cypress Creek between Collins Park and Meyer Park along Cypresswood Drive on **Saturday, October 12** from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., rain or shine. The event is free to the public.

CreekFest starts the day with a 5K/10K Run and Adventure Race at 8 a.m. After the race, patrons will enjoy a variety of family and children's activities, including free children's concerts at the Centrum, demonstrations from a variety of outdoor sports authorities, sidewalk chalk artists, family day at the Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts, a



bookwalk and sale at the Barbara Bush Library, an art show and marketplace, a local, family fun dog show, BBQ cook-off, free music stages, and a variety of food and retail vendors.

To sponsor or participate in this event contact the Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce at 281-440-4160 or email [MeredithB@HoustonNWChamber.org](mailto:MeredithB@HoustonNWChamber.org) or visit the event website at [www.CreekFestHouston.com](http://www.CreekFestHouston.com).

The Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce has enjoyed over 39 years of service in Spring, Klein, Champions, FM 1960, FM 2920, SH 249 and Sam Houston Tollway Corridors. The Chamber has over 700 members and is committed to its mission of developing successful businesses and a thriving community.

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# Pearl Fincher | Museum of Fine Arts

**An Art and Art History Class • Monday Evenings: September 9-October 14**

Free and open to the public; participants may attend one, more, or all class sessions.

Class meets Mondays, 6:30-8 p.m., in the Smith Foyer at the Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts. CEUs available, please inquire.

**September 9: Terms, Concepts, Methods** – Terms and concepts in art and art history, categories and kinds of art, examples from different periods, cultures and media. Lays “groundwork” for the following sessions.

**September 16: The Italian Renaissance** – Duccio, Giotto, Fra Angelico, Botticelli, Leonardo da Vinci (Mona Lisa), Michelangelo (David, Sistine Chapel ceiling), Raphael. The culture and context of the Renaissance.

**September 23: The Renaissance to the Baroque** – Completes study of the Italian Renaissance; the Baroque of Italy and the Low Countries, including Gianlorenzo Bernini, Peter Paul Rubens, Anthony Van Dyck and Jan Vermeer (Girl with a Pearl Earring).

**September 30: Spain, France, Germany, England** – Spain, Germanic regions, France, and England, 1400-1800. Includes Diego Velázquez, Francisco Goya, Albrecht Dürer, Jan Van Eyck, Antoine Watteau, Jacques Louis David, Sir Joshua Reynolds and Thomas Gainsborough.

**October 7: American Art, Colonial to 20th Century** – John Copley, Gilbert Stuart, Thomas Cole, Frederic E. Church, Lilly Martin Spencer, Thomas Moran, Winslow Homer, Thomas Eakins, Frederic Remington, Mary Cassatt, John S. Sargent, James A.M. Whistler, L.C. Tiffany and more. Three centuries of the sprawling diversity of American art.

**October 14: Impressionism to the Modern Period** – Realism, Impressionism, Post-Impressionism, Fauvism, Art Nouveau, Abstract Expressionism, Pop. Includes Fantin-Latour, Manet, Monet, Renoir, Seurat, Gauguin, Cezanne, Picasso, Matisse, Pollock and Warhol.

Your instructor will be **Timothy C. Novak** ([tim@pearlmma.org](mailto:tim@pearlmma.org)), Director of Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts since 2007. The museum is located in Spring at 6815 Cypresswood Drive, just east of Stuebner Airline. Visit [www.pearlmma.org](http://www.pearlmma.org) or call 281-376-6322 for more information.

*Jan Vermeer, The Artist in his Studio, c. 1666*



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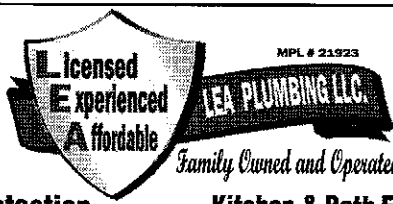
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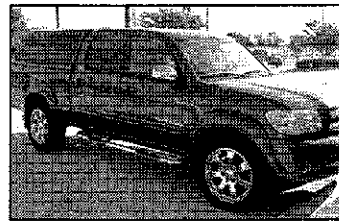
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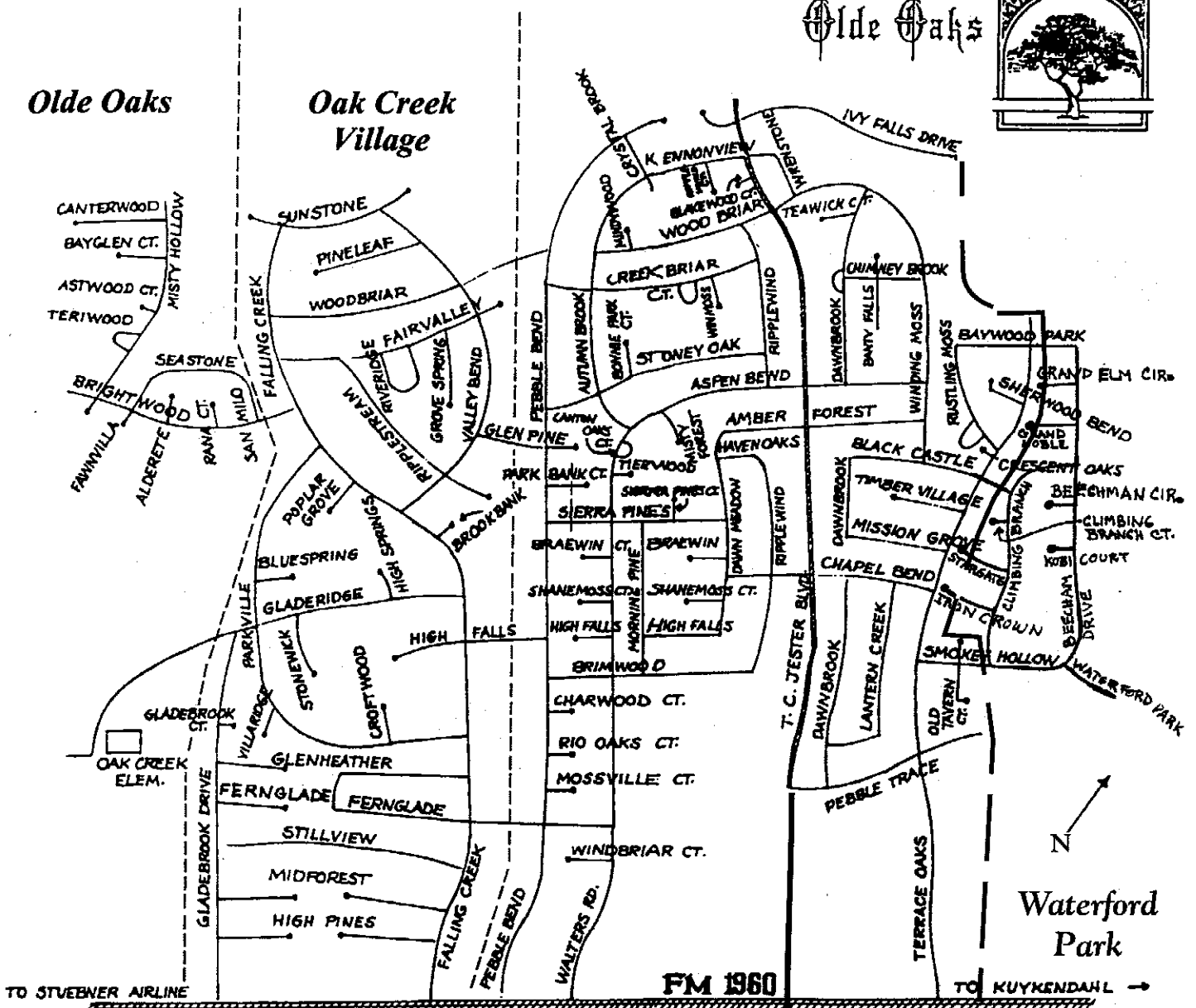
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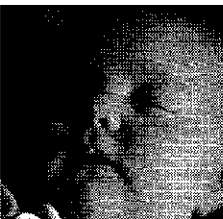


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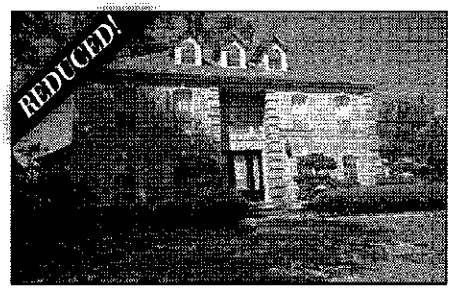
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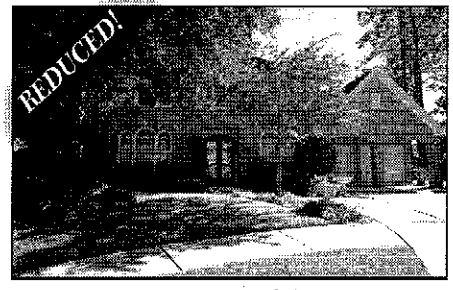
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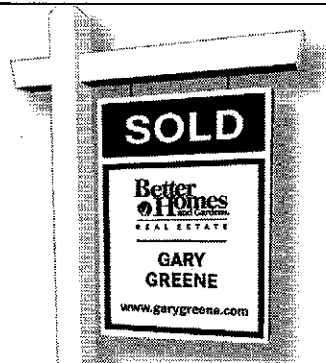
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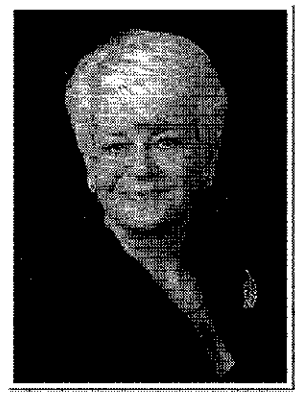


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