



## Waterford Park

### COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

OLDE OAKS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

## What You Can Do to Improve Our Neighborhood

**Comply with the deed restrictions and pay your HOA dues.** To keep our neighborhood values up, please submit the ACC form with planned improvements to the exterior of the home well in advance to ensure compliance. Despite our individual tastes, complying with the guidelines helps promote a harmonious overall neighborhood appeal and saves the homeowners' money as it eliminates legal costs to enforce the deed restrictions and/or collect the unpaid fees. The deed restrictions, guidelines and forms are available on [www.oocia.org](http://www.oocia.org).

**Get to know your neighbors (an informal neighborhood watch).** Get to know your neighbors and be familiar with their family, vehicles, pets and habits. Keep an eye on your neighbor's property and ask them to help keep an eye on your property. Let them know about packages on their porch and possibly move packages, flyers or newspapers to a less visible spot from the street. Maybe organize a block party to meet your neighbors and check out our neighborhood on [nextdoor.com](http://nextdoor.com).

**Be a responsible pet owner.** Don't let your pets run loose, let your dogs bark continually and do pick up your pet's poop. Check your yard for holes where pets dig out and check and make sure your gates are closed and your fences are intact. Consider getting your pet neutered (there are too many unwanted or "rehomed" pets) and getting your pet microchipped (in case the pet is lost).

**Be a considerate neighbor.** Be mindful of everyday civilities such as keeping the noise levels down (i.e. dogs barking, loud music, basketball playing or operating power tools at inappropriate times), property maintenance and curb appeal. Don't park vehicles in front of your neighbor's mailbox or on their lawn. Don't run a business out of your home such as an auto repair shop, with cars on bricks and vehicle parts in the yard. Maintain your lawn (keep it mowed and free from fire ants), pick up loose trash, ensure that overgrown trees don't encroach

on others' property and that dead trees are promptly removed. Attractive landscaping improves your property's value as well as the overall neighborhood value.

**Report suspicious or criminal activities.** If you see something, say something. For instance, if you see a suspicious vehicle, maybe get its tag and a description of the vehicle or even a picture of it. Our non-emergency contract deputies' phone number is 713-221-6000. In an emergency, call 911.

**Be a responsible driver.** Make daily choices not to speed (30 mph on most neighborhood streets) and don't ignore the stop signs or race through yellow/red lights. Respect the school zone on T.C. Jester and refrain from being distracted by texting or talking on cell phones while behind the wheel. Don't engage in road rage or flip others with a finger. If you've had too much to drink, call a friend or Uber/Lyft to drive you home.

**Take the initiative to report problems directly to the appropriate party, rather than expecting someone else to do it.** For potholes or road repair, call Harris County Precinct 3 at 713-274-3100 or go to the website at [pct3.com](http://pct3.com). For streetlight outages, get the pole number off the pole and call CenterPoint Energy at 713-207-2222 or 800-332-7143. CenterPoint Energy is also responsible for trimming the tree branches around the power lines. You can call Crest Management at 281-579-0761 if there is a problem at Dowling Park or on subdivision property. Animal Control's phone is 281-999-3191.

**Don't litter.** Help keep our neighborhood a beautiful place to live. Consider putting your trash in bags, so when the trash is picked up, there will not be leftover trash blowing everywhere. When walking, consider taking a trash bag with you and picking up litter. Our trash days are Tuesday and Friday and our service picks up at your back door, so put out and pick up your trash cans at the appropriate times.

*Attend our monthly homeowners' meetings and volunteer for subdivision committees. Our homeowner meetings are typically on the third Tuesday at 6:45 p.m. (May 17 this month) and are held at the Oak Creek Village Clubhouse, 3906 Gladeridge Drive (behind the Oak Creek subdivision tennis courts). Contact Crest Management or a Board member if you want to volunteer for a subdivision committee. Many committees only require participation at certain times of the year, such as the garage sale committee or the Christmas decorating committee.*



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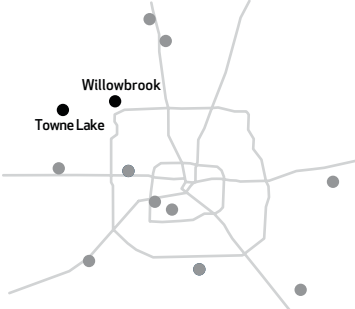


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## DATES TO REMEMBER

Cinco de Mayo.....	May 5	HOA Meeting .....	May 17
Mother's Day .....	May 8	Memorial Day .....	May 30
Homeowners Protest Deadline* .....	May 16	*Appraised value of property tax. Later of May 16 or 30 days after notice.	

# Petition to Establish a Commercial Vehicle Parking Ban

At the annual homeowners' meeting, a petition was available to sign to establish a commercial vehicle parking ban within Olde Oaks/Waterford Park.

**We needed 427 signatures from residents to submit to Harris County in order for the commercial vehicle parking ban to be established.**

If you have not yet had the opportunity to sign the petition or would like to volunteer to help collect signatures from your neighbors, please contact one of our Board members, Crest Management, or attend a monthly Board meeting.

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Billing, Service & Emergencies  
832-467-1599

Board Meetings: First Tuesday of month,  
11:30 a.m., 10000 Memorial Dr., Suite 260  
713-951-0800

### MUD #44

[www.wdmtexas.com/districts-served/harris-county-mud-44](http://www.wdmtexas.com/districts-served/harris-county-mud-44)

Billing, Service & Emergencies  
281-376-8802

Board Meetings: (Call before to confirm),  
Second Tuesday of month, 4 p.m.  
15705 N. Greenfield Drive

### Bammel Utility District Office

281-376-8802

[www.wdmtexas.com/districts-served/bammel-utility-district](http://www.wdmtexas.com/districts-served/bammel-utility-district)

Board Meetings: Second Monday of month,  
7 p.m., 3906 Gladeridge (clubhouse)

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## Seeking News of 2022 Graduates to Celebrate Their Achievement

If you would like to recognize a 2022 high school or college graduate from our subdivision in our newsletter, please send the student’s name, parents’ names, school graduating from, activities, honors achieved and future plans. A recent photo may be included with the write-up.

For best results, the photo should be at least 300 dpi and sent as a separate jpg file attached to the email rather than being embedded in the text. Please send the information via email to oociaditor@gmail.com at your earliest opportunity. The June newsletter deadline is May 9.



# May We Plant In May?

**Yes, absolutely we may!** Lots to plant and lots to do in May so let's get started. This is a great time to plant summer blooming perennials, annuals and trees as well as vegetables and fruits.

**Hanging baskets** are successful if you choose heat-tolerant plants like purslane and bougainvillea.

**Blooming trees** you might consider planting include crepe myrtle, vitex, and parkinsonia.

**Blooming shrubs** include bottlebrush, ixora and gardenia. Vines include black-eyed Susan, coral vine and passion vine along with ground cover and filler like purple and green potato vine, wandering Jew and sedum.

**Perennials and annual flowers for full sun** include firecracker plants, red rocket, russelia, red gloxina, coneflower, lantana, salvia, zinnia, celosia, sunflowers, gomphrena, vinca, cosmos, penta and rain

Lily. Partial shade/sun include begonias, impatiens and verberna.

### **Ground, Container and Vertical**

**Vegetable Gardens:** Plant okra, cucumbers, pumpkins, eggplant, peppers, melons, summer lettuces, sweet potatoes and watermelon.

**Herbs** include basil, garlic chives, sage and mint.

**Recycle and reuse.** If you are planting seeds or summer bulbs like rain Lily, label and mark them with broken pot shards, cut up mini blinds or popsicle sticks to help you remember where you planted them. Save large empty juice and water bottles or cleaned detergent and bleach bottles to gently water and apply liquid fertilizer

to the newly planted. Use leftover yogurt cups to germinate seeds, just punch a hole in the bottom for drainage.

**Bug Prevention:** Plant marigold, basil, sage and garlic around your vegetables to keep the bugs out. Protect your plants from snails by sprinkling snail bait around young plants and vegetables that are tender and most susceptible. If you have a problem with aphids or white fly, cut strips of yellow plastic and smear with Vaseline. Hang the strips from plants or sticks. The pests will be attracted to the color, land on the strips and get stuck. It really works!

Happy Gardening, neighbors!

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Accident Auto Pedestrian .....	1
Accident FSGI .....	2
Accident Minor .....	1
Alarm Holdup .....	2
Alarm Local .....	16
Alarm Rep. Site .....	1
Sexual Assault Child .....	1
Burglary Motor Vehicle.....	3
Child Custody Disp. ....	2
Credit Card Abuse .....	1
Criminal Mischief .....	2
Disturbance Family.....	5
Disturbance Loud Noise .....	1
Disturbance Other.....	1
DOA .....	2
Domestic Prevent .....	5
Drug OD Possession .....	2
DWI .....	1
Fraudulent Use ID.....	2
Illegally Parked Vehicle.....	1
Information Call .....	6
Mental Health Call.....	1
Property Found Lost .....	1
Submit Evidence.....	1
Suspicious Person.....	6
Telephone Harrassment.....	1
Terroristic Threat .....	1
Traffic Hazard.....	4
Traffic Stop.....	107
Vacation Watch.....	5
Vehicle Stickered .....	1
Vehicle Suspicious .....	4
Warrant Service .....	1
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# April Yards of the Month

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3019 Baywood Park



3507 Brimwood



4227 Canterwood



15418 Winding Moss



3603 Windbriar Court



CONGRATULATIONS!

# Book Club “Footnotes”

Here we are at the last meeting of book club before our summer break. On May 24 we'll meet at the home of Carol Bright to discuss *The Book of Lost Names* by Kristin Harmel. Carol will also lead the discussion and we will choose books for September, October and November.

Since 2022 is our book club 20th “anniversary” year, I asked the members what some of their favorite books have been in that time. Some books were book club choices and others, not. Here are several mentions: *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah, *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens, *Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly, *The Paris Architect* by Charles Belfoure, and *A Woman of No Importance* by Sonia Purnell. – *Kathy Hall, Coordinator, 281-569-4967*

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