



Waterford Park

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

OLDE OAKS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Upcoming Dates



ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING & BOARD ELECTION

March 19, 2024
at 7 p.m.

MARCH 10

Daylight Savings Time begins. Turn your clocks forward one hour.

MARCH 17

St. Patrick's Day

MARCH 11-15

Spring I.S.D.
Spring Break

MARCH 31

Easter

No Yards of the Month were chosen for February.

MARCH ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING AND BOARD ELECTION

Our annual meeting and Board election has been rescheduled and will be at the School of Science and Technology, 15015 TC Jester Boulevard, Houston, TX 77068 on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 7 p.m. There are three open positions on our Board and six candidates.

The voting process this year will be done by Absentee Ballot and Online Voting only; there will be no voting at the meeting. This will streamline the process and is an easy way to cast your vote for your nominee. To accommodate the notice requirements for online voting, the meeting had to be moved to March. You should receive detailed instructions on how to vote by Absentee Ballot and Online Voting. We need two volunteers who are willing to go to the Crest office to tabulate the votes the day before the meeting. If you have any questions or want to volunteer, please contact Pam at 281-945-4618 or pam@crest-management.com.

To receive official notice of Board meetings by email, be sure that you are registered on the Crest Management website at www.crest-management.com.

(See candidate biographies on pages 4-5)



HOLY WEEK

AT KINSMEN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Palm/Passion Sunday
MARCH 24

Maundy Thursday
MARCH 28
7PM

Good Friday
MARCH 29
NOON & 7PM

Easter Sunday
MARCH 31
6:15AM Sunrise
8AM Traditional
9:30AM Outdoor
11AM Contemporary
12:30PM misa en español



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Some to Celebrate!*

MARCH 10
Daylight Saving Time Begins

MARCH 17 **MARCH 31**
St. Patrick's Day Easter Sunday

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

TEXAS PRIDE (TRASH/RECYCLE)

Lisa Govea, Operations Manager
Lisa@TexasPrideDisposal.com

Kevin Atkinson, Owner
Kevin@TexasPrideDisposal.com

Book Club "FOOTNOTES"

Our March 26 Book Club meeting will be at the home of Carol Bright to discuss *The Maid* by Nita Prose. Nita Prose, a.k.a. Nita Provonost, was born in Ontario, Canada and presently lives in Toronto. Ms. Provonost is a vice president and editorial director at Simon & Schuster, Canada after initially writing and working at other publishing houses. She has "always been drawn to words and stories," according to quillandquire.com, and has been in the publishing industry for almost two decades. *The Maid* is a debut novel, and the author used her pen name, Nita Prose, to distinguish between herself as an author and herself as an editor.



January Book Club meeting at Rao's. Left front to right: Linda Peduzzi, Rande Saber, Jane Michel, Tanya Pilant, Heather George and Kathy Hall.

In 2019 while on a business trip she encountered a maid cleaning her hotel room. The role of the invisible hotel maid developed in her mind and evolved into the voice of Molly Gray, protagonist and narrator in the book. *THE MAID* is a murder mystery that involves the maid, Molly Gray, at a luxury hotel, who seeks to clear her name as a murder suspect. Solving the murder is also associated with the relationship between orphaned Molly and her grandmother.

Kathy Hall, Book Club Coordinator,
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HOA CANDIDATES

Bruce Ballweg



For the past 17 years, I've called Olde Oaks home, building relationships and witnessing first-hand the changes our neighborhood has undergone. As a mortgage broker and community volunteer with Court Appointed Special Advocates, the Houston Humane Society, and Battleship Texas, I care deeply about our community's well-being.

We've seen an exponential increase in traffic along TC Jester, coinciding with the bridge construction and traffic light installation. Unfortunately, this has also coincided with a rise in crime statistics.

My Goal: A Safer Olde Oaks for All

My platform is built on achieving two key goals:

1. **Crime Reduction:** We need a comprehensive approach to addressing crime, working closely with our newly contracted constables to understand and address our specific challenges.
2. **Traffic Calming:** The increase in TC Jester traffic poses a safety hazard and disrupts our community's tranquility. We need solutions to reduce traffic flow and improve pedestrian safety.

Let's Work Together

I understand that busy lives often prevent residents from attending Board meetings or participating in elections. That's why I'm committed to ensuring your voices are heard, regardless of your schedule:

- Unable to attend Board meetings? Simply email me with your concerns, and I'll be your voice at the table.
- Can't attend the February Board vote? I'll provide you with a simple form to ensure your vote is counted.

Together, We Can Make a Difference

I'm passionate about making Olde Oaks a safer, more vibrant place for everyone. But I need your support to make it happen. Let's join hands and work together to create the community we all deserve.

Randy Darland (incumbent)



I have been a resident of Olde Oaks for 26 years and have served as a director since 2017. During my time on the Board, we have made significant progress with reducing the number of delinquent accounts, as well as keeping expenses in line with our annual budget. Going forward, we will continue to work with Crest on enforcement of deed restrictions

and architectural control standards, as well as Harris County Constables on traffic enforcement and keeping crime out of Olde Oaks and Waterford Park.

Professionally, I have over 30 years experience in Commercial and Residential Real Estate Management and Development with various companies, including Hotel Makeover, Shell Oil, AT&T, and First Nationwide Bank.

I am looking forward to serving our community for another term.

Roger DeBiase



I am Roger DeBiase. My wife and I moved into Olde Oaks 1 year ago. We chose Olde Oaks as our home because of the beautiful homes and the established neighborhood. We have two young daughters and plan on raising our family here.

I am an active-duty military member of the Texas Army National Guard. I have served our country for over 14 years. I hold a bachelor's degree in business management with a concentration in accounting, and I feel that my education, experience, and military values will be beneficial to the Homeowners' Association Board.

I want to ensure Olde Oaks and Waterford Park stays a close and safe community for all residents. Doing so by evaluating and adjusting existing procedures and implementing new ideas where there are opportunities to do so.

Our community consists of great neighbors and wonderful people who care, which make this neighborhood a great place to call home.

I have complete admiration for our Board members and leadership and look forward to working with them if you give me the opportunity.

With the help of community input I want to focus our efforts on all issues that concern your families. I am dedicated to our community and plan on doing whatever it takes to continually improve our neighborhood for generations to come.

I ask for your support and your vote as I seek a position on the OOCIA Board of Directors.

Ada Johnson (incumbent)



This will be my second term as a director. I have enjoyed learning the processes of Board governance. I am dedicated to preserving and improving our property values while improving our safety by working hand in hand with the Constables who patrol our neighborhood.

I have worked with the Board during my term to replace the play equipment, update the "FEMA lots" to become a walking trail and to increase collections and maintaining the budget.

I would love to serve our community again for another term.

Norman J. Nelson



I am a friendly Olde Oaks resident who is concerned about our neighborhood and the surrounding community. I am a licensed attorney, practicing real estate, family, and probate law. I attend every HOA meeting to stay informed and regularly offer tips and bring up concerns to be addressed. I would appreciate the opportunity to serve on the Board

again to continue to make Olde Oaks a desirable community to call home and to work hard for all of our neighbors to address their concerns.

My desired goals for the community are to help the Association move tasks forward in a timely manner, communicate with owners on a regular basis and spearhead becoming a close-knit community again where owners and residents know each other. I would like to improve neighborhood aesthetics at entrances and common areas and work to make sure that the Association remains in good fiscal standing.

I am looking forward to working with the homeowners and residents to create a community we can all be proud of.

Andre Ruby



I am Andre Ruby, and it is with great enthusiasm and dedication that I announce my candidacy for a position on the HOA Board. As a successful healthcare executive with a passion for community development, I bring a unique set of skills and experiences that I believe will contribute significantly to the betterment of our neighborhood.

Background and Professional Success: With a distinguished career in healthcare leadership, I have honed my abilities to manage complex systems, foster collaboration, and make strategic decisions that positively impact the well-being of diverse communities. My commitment to excellence has allowed me to navigate dynamic environments, achieving success in both operational efficiency and compassionate care delivery.

Why I Want to Serve on the HOA Board: I am driven by a deep sense of community and a desire to contribute to the growth and prosperity of our neighborhood. Having been an active member of this community, I understand the unique needs and challenges we face. Serving on the HOA Board is not just a responsibility for me but an opportunity to give back to the community that has given me so much.

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– Editor

NHCRWA Water Rates and MUD #44

In the February newsletter, the editor posted an article about NHCRWA water rates and MUD #44. This is a response from the MUD #44 Board:

HCMUD No. 44 Board of Directors are pleased to announce the North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA) fee was reduced effective October 1, 2023 pursuant to section 3.04 of the District's rate order. As of October 1, 2023 the NHCRWA fee shown on your monthly water bill reflects the reduced rate plus 10% to cover such things as leaks in distribution system and uncollectable accounts. Please reference the NHCRWA fee on your September 2023 bill verses the NHCRWA fee on your October 2023 bill for confirmation of the reduction. What does this mean and how is this calculated? The current NHCRWA surface water fee $\$4.05 \times 10\% = \$4.455/1,000$ gallons. We are happy to share section 3.04 of the District rate order which further explains the District's implementation/billing of the NHCRWA fee. We hope you have a further understanding of this fee and how it is calculated. For additional information you may visit <https://www.nhcrwa.com/docs/water-rates-and-pumpage-fees> or email customerservice@wdmtexas.com.

George H.W. Bush Community Center CLASSES AND EVENTS

Our local community center located at 6827 Cypresswood Drive, Spring, TX 77379 offers various classes. These classes include 42/dominos, yoga, ballet exercise, meditation, quilting, line dancing, mah jongg, senior fitness, chess, chair yoga, chair volleyball, tai-chi, karate and conversational Spanish. The community center is closed on weekends and their website is GeorgeBushcc@pct3.hctx.net.

Please, Be a Considerate Neighbor

- No one wants to listen to barking dogs, loud music and/or playing basketball late at night (that thump is louder than you think!)
- Pick up your pet's poop. Secure your fence so your pets cannot escape the yard and run loose in the neighborhood.
- Consider putting your trash in bags so when the trash is picked up, there will not be leftover trash all over the neighborhood.
- Don't litter. Help keep our neighborhood a beautiful and nice place to live.



New Baby?

Congratulations on Your New Arrival!

To arrange to have a stork sign in your front yard for two weeks, please email Rueben Pena at ruebenpena@gmail.com with your address. You do not need to be home when the stork is delivered or picked up.

Upcoming Easter Events

Cypress Creek Christian Church 8th Annual

Bunny Trunk Hop

Friday, March 29 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

6823 Cypresswood Drive, Spring, TX 77379

A free community event featuring eggs, a petting zoo, crafts, faith-based activities and joy!

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Rise Up With Jesus An Easter Event at Northwoods Presbyterian Church

March 23 from 9:30-11 a.m.

3320 Cypress Creek Parkway, Houston, TX 77068

Lift up the true meaning of Easter at Rise Up with Jesus! Join us on an interactive journey that brings to life the glorious first Easter morning 2,000 years ago and reminds us of the truth: Jesus is alive today!

Register for the event at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/riseupatnorthwoods>.

Teen Job Seekers

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B, P *	Amelia Quinones	13	954-802-1007

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- MAR 17 ERIC CHURCH

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3/6 Community Day, 3/7 Volunteer Appreciation Day,
3/10 Go Tejano Day

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