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December 2025 Oaks Royal 3 News

December Toys For Tots

There is a large box in the Clubhouse for the Annual Toys For TOTs toy drive. Please put UNWRAPPED new toys suitable for children in the box and a representative will pick them up when the box is full for by the date on the box.

November Food Drive

Thank you so much to all of our friends at the Oaks Royal 3 Mobile Home Community. Your generous support of over 1,000 lbs of food this November from your food drive has truly been a God Send to the many needy and homeless persons and families here in Zephyrhills. There is more need than ever before right here in our own community! Generous support, such as yours, helps us to feed, clothe and provide

We look forward to opening our doors to our storm damaged, re-built facilities on 6th street in the new year. We plan to open again to accept clothing and home goods donations at that time.

In the meantime, I again thank you all for your donations of food. You are one of our largest food donors this season and you are making a difference in our community. If you wish to continue to donate after your November Food Drive, we will be happy to accept your donations on Monday and Wednesday mornings at the First Baptist Church Zephyrhills Administrative Offices on SR 54, or I have been assured that our volunteers Guy and Joyce Engelhardt will accept donations at their home at 5354 Riviera Drive.

Again, you have my thanks, and the thanks of all this you have blessed this month with your generosity. God bless all of you!

Lee Ann Bickford, Director
Neighborhood Care Center
A Touching Lives Ministry

President, Ann Parks

As we go into this holiday season, I just want to take a moment share with all of you what I am thankful for this year:

be more and more every year!

- I am thankful for all of my dearest and nearest friends, those people who I can pick up a phone or just drop in on and start tacking with like we never stopped! Who always have a hug, a shoulder to cry on, a laugh and an half and a glass of wine, ready and waiting!
- I am thankful for my little princess, who is the biggest little bundle of unconditional doggie love! Talk about your pet therapy!
- I am thankful for all the support I have received from the Board members and club members who have helped to make this HOA really work over the past six years! You have made it a joy to serve you, and made the headaches seem less than they are!
- I am thankful for all our residents who pitch together to volunteer their time, effort and sweat to make this community a great place to live!
- I am thankful to all of the residents who love and support our Oaks Royal 3 Community so much that you are willing to put aside your differences and come together to make life better here for everybody!

Vice President, Larry Way

Remember: The three HOA Board positions up for election in January 2026 are:

President, Clubhouse Director and Hospitality Director.

any of these three (3) board positions your nomination must be to me, in writing, no later than Friday December 5th to be placed on the official ballot for the election at the HOA Members Meeting on Monday January 5th, 2026.

If you are interested in running for one of these positions, please review the board member position description on the website About page at <https://oaksroyal3.com/About> or talk to the incumbent in the position. Then let me know in writing (letter or email) that you are nominating yourself for the position.

Secretary, Sharon Pollard

I have returned up north through the Holidays.

Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

Treasurer, Guy Engelhardt

2026 Proposed Budget

The Proposed Budget for 2026 was developed with in put from your Budget Committee at the November 14th budget planning meeting at which one resident attended to audit the meeting.

I explained this budget process I some detail in the email of November 20th, and an excerpt on a major funding issue in this years budget from that email is below:

tackle mitigating the damage to our portion of Zephyr Creek and the adjacent retention ponds, and structures caused by Hurricane Milton and its aftermath. This work requires civil engineers specializing in wetlands, and if possible it would be best to try to accomplish any of this consultation and/or work during our dry season window. This proposal, if the motions are approved, would avoid a Special Assessment later (possibly into the summer), and would provide a pool of funds designated for this purpose so the Board can begin this process now. New contracts of this size and complexity would have to come to the membership for approval as well before being awarded, per state statute 720.”

The [2026 Budget Proposal is linked here](#) and through the button below and is going on the website as well. This will go to the Board of Directors for approval at their Sunday November 30th meeting and will be presented (if approved) to the membership at the HOA members meeting on Monday December 1st @ 7:00pm. If anyone has questions or concerns I will be in the office during regular hours Fridays 9am to 1pm, please feel free to stop in and see me then or call me anytime to arrange a meeting. I have already spoken to several of you and I value your input. If you would like to serve on the Budget Committee, please just email me your name and willingness to serve during the upcoming year.

Annual Dues

Thank you to all who have sent in their 2025 HOA Annual Dues, either full or a first payment on a payment plan. To date, out of 147 homes, 136 have paid their 2025 Annual Dues in Full. A further 7 residents are paying their Annual Dues on one of the payment plans, leaving 2 residents that have contacted us about paying their dues at sale of home or have not paid and interest has been assessed.

month in the new secured MEMBERS ONLY section of the website. If you want to access this area you need to request access. Simply go to our website at <https://www.oaksroyal3.com> or click on the button below and click on the HOA Member Only link at the top of the page (it may be under More in your browser) and then choose "Create Account". After you complete that information, I will approve your request and you will receive a link to create your password and get access.

The other new feature is on the main page of the website under "Online Payments", about halfway down the page. There is a new secured section where you will be able to make your annual dues payment by credit card if you so choose. This is possible as we have had to upgrade our website to a secure (https) server, the web server GoDaddy uses the same encryption used by banks and businesses to secure your web-based transactions. There is a button below to go directly to the secure online bill pay page.

[2026 Proposed Budget](#)

[Members Only - Webpage](#)

[Secure Online Payment Webpage](#)

Social Director, Lisa Whitaker

should bring their table setting and a side dish or dessert. There is a sign up sheet on the board in the clubhouse.

December Events:

Saturday December 13th - Golf Cart Parade & Cookie Exchange w Refreshments at the Clubhouse

5:00pm - Golf Carts Lineup at OR3 Clubhouse & Pics & Names for News

6:00pm - Golf Cart Award & Parade Start

7:00pm - Cookie Exchange & Refreshments Inside Clubhouse

Friday December 19th - Jingle Christmas Exchange @ 6:30pm

Bring your wrapped \$10 gift to exchange, get a number, then let the fun begin! Do you keep your gift or swap it? Does everyone have to give their gift to the person sitting to the left? Who got the WINE!! Oh my, the fun, the laughter, the whine-ing!! I'm in stitches every time! Lisa keeps us in order. Of course, around here that is like trying to herd cats! But all part of the fun!

Thursday December 25th - Christmas Dinner @ 3:00pm

Christmas Dinner is a Festive Annual dinner at our Oaks Royal 3 Clubhouse. Sign up if you are attending and how many are attending (especially if you are bringing guests). Bring a dish to share and your own table service.

There will be a sign up sheet(s) in clubhouse. Look for one for how many, and one for what you are bringing like for Thanksgiving.

Please note there is **NO** New Year's Eve party planned as in past years'.

**January 1st, 2026 - New Years Brunch at the Clubhouse @
11:00am**

This is a new Oaks Royal 3 tradition, beginning the New year with a brunch with friends and neighbors at the clubhouse! What could be better?

Regular events are as follows:

Sundays @ pm - put out trash for Monday morning pickup

Mondays @ 1:00pm - Euchre/Pinocle

Wednesdays @ 8:30am- Coffee & Donuts

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm - Bingo

Tuesdays @ pm - put out recycling for Wednesday morning pickup

Wednesdays @ 6:30pm - Dominos

Wednesdays @ 6:00pm - Cards

Wednesdays @ pm - put out trash for Thursday morning pick up

Thursdays @ 10:00am Shuffleboard

Thursdays @ 6:00pm - Cards

Fridays @ 6:00pm - Pinochle

Saturdays @ 6:00pm Any Game

Come on out and have a great time!

Hospitality Director, Dot Dodge

5538 Antigua Drive - Ula Dennis

5450 Antigua Drive - Margarita
Maldonado

36330 LeSabre Way - Steve & Linda Hussey

5408 Riviera Drive - Ed & Dianna Wilson

36435 Bonney Drive - Ken Ritchie

5502 Antigua Drive - Jeanette Horner (under contract)

Pool Director, Paul Grizenko Summer, Dave Brooks

Dave has not said the pool or spa is down so, Enjoy!

Men's Club, Danny Durst

Hello to our full time residents and welcome back to our seasonal neighbors. The clock is ticking away and it will soon be time to commence the Men's Club breakfasts. We plan to start on January 3rd serving from 7:30 - 9:00 AM with the same menu offered in the past:

1. Sausage w/ sausage and scrambled eggs
2. French toast w/sausage and scrambled eggs
3. Scrambled eggs w/sausage and white toast
4. Sausage gravy and biscuit w/scrambled eggs

All of the above entree's include orange juice and coffee or hot tea.
We welcome everyone - residents and guests. Please join us for a hearty meal and catch up with friend's activities since we gathered last spring.
These events will continue on the first and third Saturdays of January, February and March.

Clair Marquart

HOA Board & Member Meeting Reminders

The HOA Board of Directors will meet on Sunday, November 30, 2025 & Sunday December 14, 2025 @ 3:00pm in the Clubhouse Library.

The next HOA Member Meeting will be on Monday December 2, 2025 @ 7:00pm in the Clubhouse.

Notices will be posted on the bulletin board and the website.

Thank you everyone!

Community Notes

YARD SALE SATURDAY 12/6 8am-2pm

Mary Fizia - 5419 Antigua

Lots of good things - stop by and shop, shop, shop till you drop!

Notes from residents go here.

Yards sales.

Items for sale.

Services.

In the Library

Donna Birch Library

There are many books, DVD's and puzzles to check out in the library and I hope there is something for everyone.

Thank you to Debbie Woodall who has volunteered as our new park librarian!

Thank you to Lee Bruggeman for keeping the Library organized during the summer.

If you are donating books please note that we are pretty full on hard backs right now and all extras are being saved to go into the annual yard sale in February next year.

Florida Festivals

Main Street Zephyrhills Festival of Lights

2025 Parade and Celebration

Sat, Dec 06

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Time & Location

Dec 06, 2025, 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Zephyrhills, 38500 5th Ave, Zephyrhills, FL 33542, USA

[41st Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration](#)

Sunday, December 07, 2025

5 pm to 7 pm ET

AdventHealth Zephyrhills

[Directions to AdventHealth Zephyrhills7050 Gall Boulevard](#)

[Zephyrhills, FL 33541](#)

[Annual Tarpon Springs Holiday Boat Parade](#)

Dec 12, 2025

[See All Dates & Times](#)

[Craig Park and Spring Bayou](#)

[Tarpon Springs, FL 34689](#)

[Craig Park](#)

[Tarpon Springs](#)

[Overview Details Dates & Times](#)

Get in the holiday spirit when you experience this festive boat parade in Tarpon Springs on Friday, Dec. 12!

[Parade Details](#)

Date: Friday, Dec. 12, 2025

Location: Boats will proceed from Tarpon Landing Marina down the Anclote River to the parade's end at Craig Park/Spring Bayou.

Time: Parade start is 6:30 PM, with boats expected to reach Spring Bayou around 8 PM.

[Best Parade Viewing Spots](#)

Christmas Concert

Sunday December 14th 6:00pm

First Baptist Church Zephyrhills
38300 5th Ave, Zephyrhills, FL 33542

A church choir concert to remember!

Come on out for this free concert as we celebrate Christ's birth in this season of peace and joy!

Christmas Concert

Saturday & Sunday December 20th & 21st & 6:00pm

New Hope Baptist Church
3514 Allen Rd, Zephyrhills, FL 33541

A church choir musical concert!

Come on out for this free concert to celebrate the birth of our Savior in fellowship and praise!

Complete schedule of [48 boat parades around Florida from FloridaRambler.](#)

Click on the button below to view and print the
Oaks Royal 3 Calendar of Events for the Month.

[Click for Big Print Calendar](#)

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays:

Janet Sylvester , 12/2

Joyce Zikeli , 12/5

James Wilds , 12/6

Karen Wightman , 12/7

James O'Connor , 12/8

Peter Premo , 12/11

Ray Stark , 12/14

Carol Carmichael , 12/14

Lisa Whitaker , 12/16

Mary Kuyda , 12/17

Walter Sweeney , 12/19

James Clem , 12/18

Sally Schneider , 12/22

Milka Koharcheck , 12/23

Lideth Brueggemann , 12/30

Anniversaries:

Parks , Harley & Ann , 12/3

Nash , Jerry & Julie , 12/5

Weadick , Stephen & Deborah , 12/19

Stark , Ray & Dottie , 12/20

Snell , John & Wanda , 12/29

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Pasco County Sheriff

Emergency 911

Non-Emergency

352-567-5131

Frequently Used Phone Numbers

American Red Cross (727) 848-8354

Donate Clothes or Household Items:

- Hospice Thrift Store 36524 SR 54
(813) 788-5461
- Neighborhood Care Center 5140 6th St (813) 780-6822
- Thomas Promise Foundation 4542 Gall Blvd. (813)782-0000

East Pasco Transfer Station - Handcart Road (352) 521-0500

Frontier - Internet & YouTube TV
Sales Rep - Sean Dolly 813-642-4449

Florida Consumer Fraud Hotline
(866) 966-7226

Lawn Services:

- S & B Landscape (Bob Lane)
(352) 206-4045
- Randy Bush (813) 215-1419

- [Jerry Scott \(813\) 838-5007](#)

[Pasco County Emergency Management \(727\) 847-8137](#)

[Pasco County Public Transportation \(East Pasco\) \(352\) 521-4587](#)

[Pasco County Tax Collector \(Dade City\) \(352\) 521-4360](#)

[Pasco County Utilities – Water
\(727\) 847-8131](#)

[Special Needs Shelter Registration
\(727\) 847-8137](#)

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\(888\) 406-7063](#)

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