

## **April 2025 Oaks Royal 3 News**

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## President, Ann Parks

Where has the time gone, it's that time of year for the snowbirds to start heading home. We wish you all safe travels.

Remember to clean your yards before leaving ofany yard decoration that can go air born. Once again before Milton hit, we were taking care of items left outside that could cause damage. It was a garbage can that caused flooding on Antiqua by becoming wedged in our drainage pipes.

If you haven't utilized our new web site, please do. Guy has developed a very friendly

user site with all HOA information accessible to homeowners.

Thank you to all who make Oaks Royal 3 an awesome community to live in. From all the activities we enjoy, to all the volunteers who are taking onprojects to improve our park and can't forget all the good cooks whose special recipes we all enjoy.

Wishing all a great summer.

## Vice President, Larry Way

It has been an interesting season to say the least, rewarding yet challenging! I Hope everyone has a pleasant summer. See you next fall.

Remember: The three HOA Board positions up for election in January 2026 are: **President, Clubhouse Director and Hospitality Director**. 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.

## Treasurer, Guy Engelhardt

### **Budget Committee**

the March Budget Committee meeting was cancelled due to my illness. Because I am still waiting on price quotes, we will reschedule this meeting in fall when I can have all the needed data. Then we will have to draft a Reserve Budget Declaration for the association to review and vote on for next year.

Anyone who wishes to join/leave the committee for 2025 please contact me directly at (813) 957-4851 or gengelha@gmail.com.

Budget Committee members: Frank Jordan, Gail Smart, Bernie Scholtz, Larry Way, Ann Parks

#### **2024 Federal Taxes**

Tax information is currently at the HOA's accounts Murtha & Flischel CPA in Zephyrhills. They review our Quicken file and prepare our federal tax return. As a Florida non-profit we do not traditionally pay federal income taxes as we do not make profits or keep large reserves of cash (accounts). As we change our business practices in response to new state requirements, I will be interested to see what if any affect it has on our tax profile.

#### **Annual Dues**

Thank you to all who have sent in their 2025 HOA Annual Dues, either if full or a first payment on a payment plan. To date, out of 147 homes, 121 have paid their 2025 Annual Dues in Full. A further 23 residents are paying their Annual Dues on one of the payment plans; 10 semi-annual, 8 quarterly and 5 on monthly plans. I am only missing payments from three (3) residents: two are not in residence and are putting their homes up for sale or will be here shortly to decide; leaving one of resident I have not been able to contact at all directly by phone or email and have sent registered letter to their next of kin as listed in park records.

With the state required changes to the website, the financial reports, board and member meeting minutes, and most other association documents are now filed each 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 <a href="https://www.oaksroyal3.com">https://www.oaksroyal3.com</a> or click on the button below and click on the HOA Member Only link at the top of the page (in 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 you 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.

2025 Dues & Budget Letter

Members Only - Webpage

### Secure Online Payment Webpage

## Social Director, Lisa Whitaker

Well, the season has come to an end for me. So, I would like to thank everyone who has helped me to have a wonderful, fun-filled winter. I sure hope everyone else enjoyed it also. See everyone in the fall and have a great summer!

### **April Events:**

Tuesday 1st @ 1:00pm The Chosen Bible Study

Saturday 5th @3:00pm Board Meeting

Sunday 6th @2:00pm Jim & Jan Burden 60th Anniversary Celebration all invited - cake (no gifts)

Monday 7th @7:00pm HOA Members Meeting

Tuesday 8th @1pm - The Chosen Bible Study

Tuesday 15th @1pm - The Chosen Bible Study

Saturday 15th @ 3:00 pm - Board Meeting

Sunday 20th @ 3:00pm - Easter Dinner sign-up sheet in clubhouse

Monday 21st @3:00 pm - Women's Club Meeting

Tuesday 22nd @1pm - The Chosen Bible Study

Tuesday 29th @1pm - The Chosen Bible Study

Every Wednesday @ 8:30am - Coffee & Donuts

## **Hospitality Director, Dot Dodge**

We have 6 homes for sale in the park, 3 on Antigua, 1 on Bonney, 1 on Regal, and 1 on Toronado.

We have a new resident, Cheryl Cory, who lives on Impala.

The phone numbers for Tom Tebidor and and Donna Nash are incorrect. The number for Tom is the one listed as Donna's. The number for Donna is the one listed for Tom.

## **Grounds Director, Harry Whitaker**

A big thank you to everyone who helped to keep our park clean.

## Pool Director, Paul Grizenko

Pool is in good shape. Still need to repair pool heater, waiting for warmer weather.

## Women's Club, Carol Carmichael

It has been busy the past month, we had a very successful craft fair on Mar.8th, we would like to thank all who donated baked goods and crafts, it was a great help to us.

We will decide at our next meeting where we will make our donations.

Our regular meetings are the third Monday of each month from Nov.-April at the

## Men's Club, Clair Marquart

The Men's Club wishes to thank everyone who joined us for the six breakfasts and steakburger dinner this season. It was a pleasure to serve you and we look forward to next January thru March as we continue these events. Hats off to all of the men who volunteer their time and talents to make these events possible.

Have a great and safe summer, safe travels to all snow birds.

# **HOA Board & Member Meeting Reminders**

The HOA Board of Directors will meet on Saturday, April 5, 2025 & Saturday April 19, 2025 @ 3:00pm in the Clubhouse Library.

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

Notices are posted on the bulletin board and the website.

Thank you everyone!

## **Event Notes**

**Bible Study** has started again. We are viewing season four (4) of *The Chosen* and having a brief discussion of each episode. Come on out and have some good clean fun with a great group of folks!

Regular events are as follows:

Sundays @ pm - put out trash for Monday morning pickup

Mondays @ 1:00pm - Euchre/Pinocle

Tuesdays @ 1:00pm The Chosen Bible Study

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm - Bingo

Tuesdays @ pm - put out recycling for Wednesday morning pickup

Wednesdays @8:30am Coffee & Donuts

Wednesdays @ 10:00am Shuffleboard

Wednesdays @ 6:30pm - Dominos

Wednesdays @ 6:00pm - Cards

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

Thursdays @ 6:00pm - Cards

Fridays @ 6:00pm - Pinochle

Saturdays @ 6:00pm Any Game

Come on out and have a great time!

# In the Library

#### Donna Birch

There are many new books this month and i hope something for everyone.

Two romantic suspense novels by Julie Garwood: "Slow Burn" and "Come the Spring"

"High Plains Tango" by Robert James Waller - a continuation of "The Bridges of Madison County" and "A Thousand Roads"

"Secrecy" by Belva Plain - the ultimate story of redemption

"Clock Dance" by Anne Tyler

"Dangerous to Know" by Barbara Taylor Bradford

"ENOLA GAY' By Gordon Thomas and Max Morgan Witts - "here its the whole story, seen from all sides for the first time, of the unforgettable moment when the nuclear age was born"

Mystery lovers will by treated too the following with many thanks to June Blehm for her generous donation:

James Patterson: 'Sail" Lee Child: "Night School" "The Midnight Line" and "Worth Dying For" "Never Go Back" Michael Connell - "The Law of Innocence and "The Night Fire" John Grisolm "The Chamber" "The Testament

David Baldacci: "Last Man Standing" and "First Family"

The following by J.D. Robb, pseudonym for a number 1 best selling author: "indulgence in Death" "Treachery in Death" "Kindred in Death" "Fantasy in Death" "Celebrity in Death" "Born in Death" "Visions in Death" "Salvation in Death" "Creation in Death" and "New York to Dallas"

Thanks too Lee and Diane for recent help with the library. It would be much appreciated if furniture could be stacked elsewhere than in front of the bookcases.

QUOTE OF THE DAY: "You don't have to know all the right moves - you just need to know the next one" Oprah Winfrey

## Florida Festivals

April 2025 festivals in Florida

Delray Affair of the Arts, Delray Beach, April 4-6, 2025

Celebrating its 62nd anniversary in 2024, Delray Affair will fill 12 blocks of beautiful downtown Delray Beach with an eclectic mix of up to 500 vendors offering arts, crafts

and products. From Florida Rambler: Things to do in Delray Beach.

### Island Fest, Islamorada, April 5-6, 2025

For more than three decades, this Florida Keys community has celebrated spring with a two-day free festival that has a little bit of everything — a juried art show, live music, the Taste of Islamorada competition, classic cars, a sand sculpture contest and the wacky "What Floats Your Boat?" homemade boat race. From Florida Rambler: Things to do in Islamorada.

### **Dunedin Highland Games and Festival, Dunedin, April 5, 2025**

This charming town settled by Scottish immigrants celebrates its heritage with highland games that have been held here for more than 50 years. Festival is ticketed.

### Old Florida Celebration of the Arts, Cedar Key, April 5, 2025

Cedar Key was devastated by Hurricane Helene Sept. 26, but the resilient community is rebuilding and some businesses have reopened. The 2025 art festival has been scaled back to one day and there will be fewer artists and amenities and no prize money, but Cedar Key is hoping for support.

### Sebring Soda Festival, Sebring, April 5-6, 2025

Sebring, a small town along the lovely Lake Wales Ridge in Central Florida, is staking a claim for something new — Florida's first (and only) craft soda festival. Local small-batch sodas made with real sugar are making a comeback, and at this festival, you'll find 200 flavors from around the country to try. Event is free; you buy a group of tickets to taste several sodas.

### Pier 60 Sugar Sand Festival, Clearwater, April 11-27, 2025

This sand sculpting exhibition and contest uses 1,000 tons of white, powdery sand to create a walk-through exhibit. The 2025 theme is "Dinoshores – A Prehistoric Adventure In Sand." Includes free live music, fireworks, and sand sculpting classes. Ticketed.

## Venice Sharks Tooth Festival, April 12-13, 2025

You don't have to dig deep or look very hard to find a shark's tooth on the beaches of Venice, so every year this Florida city celebrates its unique place in the world with the Venice Sharks Tooth Festival. The free festival in the historic downtown has live music, many vendors selling shark teeth and other beach-themed merchandise plus a kids' zone with a shark-tooth dig, crafts and face-painting.

## Gamble Rogers Folk Festival, St. Augustine, April 11-13, 2025

Marking its 30th year in 2025, the Gamble Rogers Folk Festival features a parade of popular folk singers on four stages over three days at the St. Johns County Fairgrounds in Elkton. On-site camping is available.

Pompano Beach Seafood Festival, Pompano Beach. As of 2025, this event is no longer being held.

Conch Republic's Birthday Party, Key West, April 18-27, 2025

Fans and friends of the Conch Republic will celebrate the offbeat "nation's" 43rd birthday with more than 20 colorful activities ranging from a pirate bash and quirky races to a "sea-to-sea" parade. The Conch Republic Independence Celebration commemorates the Florida Keys' symbolic secession from the United States — an act inspired by the 1982 establishment of a U.S. Border Patrol blockade at the top of the island chain.

### **Sweet Corn Fiesta, West Palm Beach**

This festival in the historic "Yesteryear Village" of the South Florida Fairgrounds celebrates an important crop — sweet corn. Palm Beach County grows more corn than any other county in the US. The event, in its third decade, is ticketed (\$10 adults; \$5 ages 6 to 12). There is live music by two bands, corn-eating and corn-shucking contests, games for kids plus an opportunity to tour the village and buy a box of 48 ears of corn at discount rates.

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:** 

Joanne Poserina, 4/8

Holly Keys-Mayotte, 4/11

Peter Lane, 4/12

Susan Brooks, 4/13

Regina Violette, 4/15

Guy Engelhardt, 4/17

Phil Gatz, 4/17

Linda Hussey, 4/17

Lisa Cooper, 4/18

Vito Ingargiola, 4/18

John Vink, 4/18

Israel Cruz, 4/24

Luise Trahan, 4/25

Arthur Dunham, 4/28

Judith Evans, 4/28

John Weiss, 4/29

**Anniversaries:** 

Watkins, Darwin & Sandra, 4/8

Burden, James & Janet, 4/10

Whitaker, Harry & Rosemary, 4/23

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Pasco County Sheriff

**Emergency 911** 

Non-Emergency

352-567-5131

## **Frequently Used Phone Numbers**

Frontier - Internet & YouTube TV

813-455-1799 Janine

Spectrum – Internet & Cable TV (888) 406-7063

Pasco County Utilities – Water (727) 847-8131

Waste Connections (East & East Central). Trash pickup 352-583-4204

American Red Cross 727-848-8354

Animal Services 352-521-5194

Florida Consumer Fraud Hotline 866-966-7226

Pasco County Public Transportation (East Pasco) 352-521-4587

Pasco County Sheriff 727-847-5878

Pasco County Sheriff (non emergency) 727-847-8123

Special Needs Shelter Registration 727-847-8137

Pasco County Emergency Management 727-847-8137

Pasco County Tax Collector – licenses, tags. (Dade City) 352-521-4360

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