



*Oaks Royal 3 - A 55+ Community*

# Oaks Royal 3 Newsletter - March 2024

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## Board and Director Reports

### **President - Ann Parks**

I want to wish everyone peace and joy this blessed Easter Week! I think it is an opportune moment to reflect on the value of peace in our lives, something that has seemed fleeting lately with major action happening in the Association these past couple of months. Unfortunately, lawyers have gotten involved and things will have to work out by rules and process.

However, in the meantime, people in the park are taking sides, emails and flyers go to some, neighbors meet and talk in the streets or shun each other as the case may be. The normal cordial, friendly, neighborliness that Oaks Royal 3 has enjoyed for decades is kind of hiding as tempers are fraying, nerves are raw and mouths are running free!

Folks, I am frustrated too! However, we need to remember that once this passes we will still be a community. A group of individual people who can think differently, but can respect each other, and the rules we live by and come together as a community to support our lifestyle!

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let it begin with me!"

### **Vice President - Larry Way**

Darkhouse forms have been turned in. I Hope everyone has a great summer, and I am looking forward to seeing everyone next fall.

My first month as VP has been very interesting to say the least!!

### **Secretary- Sharon Pollard**

It seems like I just got here... anxious to see my friends..... and now we are saying our goodbyes already!! Where did the time go?

I want to wish everyone a happy, healthy and safe summer and will see you in the fall!!

Looking forward to our February activities and being a part of a great community!

Sharon Pollard, Secretary

### **Social Director - Lisa Whitaker**

It's been a great winter! Thanks to Sharon for taking over and to all who helped make it happen! See everyone in the fall!

### **Acting Social Director- Sharon Pollard**

We are going to have birthdays and anniversaries at Easter Sunday dinner instead of the first Sunday in April.

April 1 - Monday - Our last HOA meeting for the season at 7 p.m.

April 18 - Thursday - Potluck at 5 p.m. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service.

Coffee and donuts every Wednesday morning at 8:30.

Still looking for someone to fill in for the summer as Social Director.

### **Treasurer - Guy Engelhardt**

Thank you to everyone who has paid their annual dues, or has started a payment plan for semi-annual, quarterly or monthly payments. Please be aware that your 2nd quarterly payment of \$155 is due April, 2024 (grace period is April 30); second semi payment of \$305 and 3rd quarterly payment of \$155 are due

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be mailed to Oaks Royal 3 HOA, 36312 Impala Way, Zephyrhills, FL 33541 OR if here at the park you can put them in the grey check box on the office door.

It is my goal to have the ability to take credit/debit card payment by next January, if not sooner. I am already talking to our rep at First National Bank of Pasco about setting this up, costs, equipment and process.

Please be aware that the Association takes your e-mail security seriously. When you give us your email address, the association keeps that address secure in our database, and it is only permitted to be used for official Association business by current members of the Board of Directors, and should come from their email address. The list of Board of Directors and their emails will be at the end of every News/Newsletter from now on just before the frequently called numbers. The emails are loaded also loaded into a secure email server account at MailChimp.com which services the Associations official email needs. All official Association announcements go out from the Association email account oaksroyal3@gmail.com via MailChimp. This system does not send group email, rather it send all the emails in the group as individual emails, just very, very quickly. This way your email servers (gmail, aol, yahoo, outlook, hotmail, etc.) will not identify them as a spam group email and block it. The main reason for not receiving association emails, or for stopping to receive Association emails, has been users "unsubscribing", this is easy to do as it is federally mandated on email systems now. If this happens just let me know and I can email you a link, you can click on it and follow simple instructions to get back in. If you have any concerns about these please do not hesitate to contact me.

### **Hospitality Director - Dot Dodge**

Please send notifications to me for cards to be sent to anyone who is ill, in the hospital or lost a loved one. My phone number is (336) 575-3041 and my email address is [djdodge65@gmail.com](mailto:djdodge65@gmail.com). Thank you.

### **Grounds Director - Harry Whitaker**

We had a picnic March 22nd to thank all the men who volunteer to help around the park on various projects and their wives. This was well attended, filling the clubhouse.

"All our many volunteers are to be thanked, as are their wives who put up with them sacrificing family time to be out there making our park a better place."  
Harry Whitaker

"This park runs on Volunteers," said Ann Parks, HOA President. "You men are a blessing, the work you do around the grounds and building really shows! It makes Oaks Royal 3 a great place to live. The volunteers from the social clubs, Men's Club, Social Club & Woman's Group do the same for our

“The efforts of these men, if we had to pay contractors, would cost the Association probably \$30-\$50k for the same work” according to our Treasurer, Guy Engelhardt. “This is why managed parks have to pay monthly, what we pay annually! And the still have to have a Board of Directors to oversee the management company!”

### **Pool Director - Paul Grizenko**

Pool and Spa are both working. A new pool cover has been purchased and installed.

### **Men's Club - Clair Marquart**

The OR 3 Men's Club would like to thank everyone who supported our six breakfasts and February dinner offerings this past winter season.

In addition, I would like to sincerely thank the numerous volunteers who made these meals possible. They willingly shared their time and talents at each event plus stepping up to serve the ladies Mystery Dinner.

Some of the proceeds from our events were sharing the cost for materials to build a shelter at the Oaks Royal III Memorial Site on Antigua Drive. Plaques are ordered to qualify the purpose for the site. We also worked with association officers to improve the office space by sharing the cost of a storage cupboard for the Men's Club supplies. Again, thank you to Ray Stark and Paul Grizenko for facilitating this improvement.

Have a healthy and safe summer.

### **At The Library - Donna Birch**

The summer months bring the following new titles:

#### FICTION:

“The King of Torts” by John Grisham

“Burning Lamp” by Amanda Quick

“Kinsey and Me” by Sue Grafton “In 1982 Sue Grafton introduced us to Kinsey Millhone. Thirty years later, Kinsey is an established icon and Sue is an internationally bestselling author. To mark this anniversary year, Sue has given us stories that reveal just how much of Kinsey is grounded in her creator’s past”

“Blow Back” by James Patterson ....an American president goes insane.

“Fall From Grace” by Richard North Patterson “The mysterious, violent death of a prominent New England patriarch exposes a nest of dark family secrets “

“Wicked Charms” by Janet Evanovich “a swashbuckling adventure full of raiders, monkeys, minions and mayhem”

“11/22/63” by Stephen King “On November 22, 1963, three shots rang out in Dallas, president Kennedy died, and the world changed. What if you could

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measures that Germans and Jews alike faced to survive and the risks some took to save the lives of others”

“Rushing Waters” by Danielle Steel

NON-FICTION:

“Harvey Penick’s Little Red Book” Lessons and Teachings from a lifetime in golf by Harvey Penick with Bud Shark

“A Year in Provence” by Peter Gayle “In this witty and warm-hearted account, Peter Maybe tells what it is like to realize a long-cherished dream and move into a 200-year old stone farmhouse in the remote country of the Luberon with his wife and two large dogs”

“The Way I See It” - an autobiography by Patti Davis, daughter of Ronald and Nancy Reagan

Thanks to Carolyn Pardy for the following two titles:

“Eat Right 4 Your Type” - the individualized blood type diet solution by Dr. Peter J D’Adamo with Catherine Whitney

“Oath and Honor” - a memoir and a warning by Liz Cheney

Because we do not have a check-out system, the only way to determine what is being read is by the returns in the basket....thank you for your cooperation.

QUOTE OF THE DAY - “Today is the oldest you’ve ever been, and the youngest you will ever be again” Eleanor Roosevelt

## Regular Activities

Oaks Royal 3 has many regularly scheduled activities each week. Please check them out and join your friends and neighbors in something that interests you. If there is something you would like to do, come to coffee hour and talk to folks, if enough are interested we can find a free time to add it to our activities!

Sundays @ pm - put out trash for Monday morning pickup

Mondays @ 1pm - Euchre (cards)

Tuesdays @ 11:30am - Water aerobics (weather permitting > 75 degrees)

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm - Bingo

Tuesdays @ pm - put out recycling for Wednesday morning pickup

Wednesdays @ 8:30am - Coffee & Doughnuts

Wednesdays @ 6:00pm - Dominos

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

Thursdays @ 6:00pm - Cards

1st & 3rd Saturday @ 7:30 am Men’s Club Breakfast - \$7 a plate

Come on out and have a great time!

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**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Oaks Royal 1 & 2 now has developed their own website at [oaksroyal.com](https://oaksroyal.com)

Women's Luncheon - Oaks Royal 1 & 2 Women's Luncheon 1st Monday of each month at 12:30pm. Women of Oaks Royal 3 invited to attend. Sign up sheet, one see Diane Deaton. April 1st at Fred's Restaurant in Plant City.

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## April 2024 Festivals in Florida

### [St. Augustine Lions Spring Festival](#), **St. Augustine, April 6-7, 2024**

The St. Augustine Lions Club seafood festival has changed its name to the Lions Spring Festival after cancelling it in 2021 due to COVID. Hosted by St. Augustine Lions Club with the participation of neighboring Lions Clubs. Saturday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Francis Field, 25 West Castillo Drive, downtown St. Augustine. From Florida Rambler: [Things to do in St. Augustine](#)

### [Dunedin Highland Games and Festival](#), **Dunedin, April 6, 2024**

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 6-7, 2024**

Cedar Key is an artsy Old Florida town that attracts top talent to its historic waterfront downtown. This juried fine arts and crafts event welcomes only 100 fine artists and craftsmen to allow for plenty of room for artists and art enthusiasts to interact. Local non-profit organizations sell homemade goodies and local seafood in beachfront City Park. [Old Florida Celebration of the Arts from Florida Rambler.](#)

### [Sebring Soda Festival](#), **Sebring, April 6-7, 2024**

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](#), **March 29 – April 14, 2024**

This sand sculpting exhibition and contest uses 1,000 tons of white, powdery sand to create a walk-through exhibit. The 2024 theme is "Sands of Time" in

[Subscribe](#)[Past Issues](#)[Translate ▼](#)**[Delray Affair of the Arts](#), Delray Beach, April 12-14, 2024**

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](#).

**[Gamble Rogers Folk Festival](#), St. Augustine, April 12-14, 2024**

Marking its 27th year, 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, April 19-21, 2024**

This city has completed a beautiful makeover of its beachfront area, including the addition of an attractive parking garage. It creates a perfect beach setting for a festival with three stages of music.

**CANCELED [Brooksville Blueberry Festival](#), Brooksville, April 27-28, 2024**

Florida is a major producer of blueberries, and this celebration features a variety of blueberry foods and products. While dates were announced months earlier, the event was canceled in mid-March.

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## Print Calendar, Birthdays & Anniversaries.

To print a month calendar of Oaks Royal 3 Events click on one of the links below. Continue reading to review the list of birthdays and anniversaries for this month.

[Print Month Calendar - Regular Type](#)

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Marvin Cirks, 4/6

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

John Vink, 4/18

Lisa Cooper, 4/18

Vito Ingargiola, 4/18

Bozena Jagielski, 4/21

Israel Cruz, 4/24

Luise Trahan, 4/25

Arthur Dunham, 4/28

Judith Evans, 4/28

John Weiss, 4/29

Anniversaries:

Jagielski, Krzysztof &amp; Bozena, 4/1

Watkins, Darwin &amp; Sandra, 4/8

Burden, James &amp; Janet, 4/10

Williams, Paul &amp; Lorraine, 4/12

Whitaker, Harry &amp; Rosemary, 4/23

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**Pasco County Sheriff**

Emergency 911

Non-Emergency

352-567-5131

**Frequently Used Phone Numbers.**

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(800) 921-8102

**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

**East Pasco Transfer Station - Dump**

Handcart Road

352-521-0500

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