

# THE ACORN



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Fall 2025

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025

### Holiday Lighting Contest December 14-21, 2025

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors,

2025 has been another great year to live in Arden Oaks, thanks in part to the Arden Oaks Neighborhood Association (AONA) sponsoring three well-attended, successful events.

At our Annual Meeting in March, Sacramento County Supervisor Rich Desmond joined us to share updates on several important topics including local road improvement and development projects. Phase 1 of the Arden Way Complete Street Project is now well underway, with upgrades taking place between Morse and Watt Avenues. For more information visit the Sacramento County project page ([sacdot.saccounty.net/Pages/Arden-Way-Complete-Streets---Phase-1.aspx](http://sacdot.saccounty.net/Pages/Arden-Way-Complete-Streets---Phase-1.aspx)).

We also heard from representatives of the Arden Oaks Security Program, which continues to strengthen safety in our neighborhood. Patrol coverage has been optimized through a combination of Sacramento County off-duty sheriff deputies and a private security firm, providing more consistent monitoring of the neighborhood.

The highlight of the summer continues to be our annual 4th of July festivities. This year's celebration was especially lively, with an estimated 200 friends and neighbors joining in the parade through the neighborhood and the games at Windemere Park. I'm fairly certain we broke a record for the number of folks participating in the balloon toss! It's always heartwarming to see neighbors of all ages come together to celebrate, laugh, and enjoy the spirit of community.

Our fall BBQ event was a fantastic success! We enjoyed perfect weather, a great turnout, and exceptional food — served by your dedicated Board members. Hosted by Jim and Kathleen Deeringer, this year's barbecue featured freshly prepared Mediterranean dishes from nearby Babylon City Market, face painting for the kids, an ice cream sundae bar, and live music by Random Lane's Bob Stanley and friends. Many attendees said it was the best barbecue ever! These events are a wonderful opportunity to make new friends and strengthen connections with neighbors, perfectly aligning with AONA's goal of fostering a strong sense of community within Arden Oaks.

As we approach the holiday season, the Board is looking forward to our annual Holiday Lighting and Decoration Contest. My family especially enjoys touring the neighborhood to admire the creative and festive holiday displays that light up so many homes. We hope you'll join in the fun whether as a judge, a participant, or both! You might even be one of the lucky neighbors to proudly display a winner's lawn sign.

On a personal note, my wife and I deeply appreciate the kindness, connections, and sense of community we share with all of you. I'd also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our dedicated Board members, whose hard work and commitment continue to make Arden Oaks a wonderful place to live.

Glen Fowler  
AONA President  
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## WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS

(New homeowners in Arden Oaks 2025)

**Ballas Living Trust**

**John & Marcy Byers**

**Branden & Sheila Cord**

**Sara Elrifal**

**Jeremy & Jacqueline Hearon**

**Erin Levi**

**Northern Group Mgmt LLC**

**Matthew & Ella Susac**

**Christopher & Amy Tan**



As a courtesy, AONA provides all new neighborhood homeowners a New Resident Handbook, which we hope all the families listed above have already received. The handbook contains valuable information about the Neighborhood Association, our Security Program, and the neighborhood events that we sponsor. It also includes a brief history of Arden Oaks, along with sections of the Sacramento County Zoning Code specifically relevant to our neighborhood. In addition, it explains the Neighborhood Preservation Area (NPA) development standards, County right-of-way rules, and other zoning requirements applicable to the Arden Oaks NPA.

All of this information is available on our website at [ArdenOaks.org](http://ArdenOaks.org) under Resident Information. If you have any questions about these topics or others relating to the neighborhood, please feel free to email the Board at [aona.president@gmail.com](mailto:aona.president@gmail.com), and we'll be happy to respond.

## SECURITY REPORT

In 2025, the AONA Security Program continued to provide on-the-ground, patrol monitoring of our neighborhood. This coverage was made possible through the combined services of off-duty deputies from the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office and the professional staff of a private security firm. Together, they have provided an average of over 70 hours of security patrol each month this year, with patrols occurring at random times of the day on nearly a daily basis.

During patrol shifts, the deputies or security staff drive clearly marked patrol vehicles through all the residential streets in Arden Oaks from Watt Avenue to Eastern Avenue and also walk the perimeter of Windermere Park, including the playground area. Patrol hours vary daily and can occur any time, including overnight, to ensure a consistent and visible presence. As we have done in years past, we will be increasing the number of patrol hours to the extent possible during the coming holiday season.

By and large, the patrol reports have noted nothing unusual or suspicious in the neighborhood, but their presence has clearly made a difference. In the past six months, patrols have encountered and escorted out a few individuals who did not belong in the neighborhood, ensuring they left the area. Deputies have also responded to residents' requests from neighbors investigating a false alarm, assisting neighbors, and even reuniting a lost dog with its owner.

In addition to route monitoring, the patrols conducted numerous vacation checks in response to specific requests and they moved conspicuously placed packages to safer locations when needed. Sheriff deputies also monitored for traffic violations within Arden Oaks, occasionally issuing warning for problems such as driving at night without headlights or expired registration.

If you see a patrol car while you're out walking the neighborhood, please take a moment to wave or say hello — the security team enjoys connecting with the residents. We are fortunate to live in a very safe neighborhood, and the AONA Security Program continues to play an important role in maintaining that safety. That said, there have been a few isolated reports of theft and burglary in recent months. We encourage all residents to review the security and safety tips available on our website at [ArdenOaks.org](http://ArdenOaks.org) under the Security tab, for ways you can protect yourself, your neighbors, and your property.

The continued success of this program depends entirely on the generous contributions of Arden Oaks residents. We extend our thanks to everyone who has supported the program this year. Please see the list at the end of this newsletter recognizing those who contributed in 2025.

## SECURITY CONTACT INFORMATION

- **Call 911 for Emergencies.** If an off-duty sheriff deputy is patrolling Arden Oaks at the time of your call, the call will be assigned to them. Otherwise, an on-duty deputy will respond.
- **Report Suspicious Activity or Concerns.** Call the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office non-emergency line at **916- 874-5115** to make a report.
- **Crime Reporting.** Victims of vandalism, mail or property theft, or illegal dumping, should file a crime report at [sacsheriff.com/pages/crime\\_report.php](http://sacsheriff.com/pages/crime_report.php). The online report takes less than five minutes to submit, and reporting crimes helps ensure adequate sheriff patrols in Arden Oaks, both on- and off-duty.
- **Request Vacation Monitoring.** If you plan to be away for an extended period, the off-duty sheriff can monitor your property during their patrols. To request this service, email **AO4@sacsheriff.com** with your name, address, contact details, dates of absence, and any access instructions (e.g., gate codes). You can also call or text **916-612-9410**, the dedicated Arden Oaks line, and provide the same information.
- **Contact Patrolling Off-duty Sheriff Deputy.** Call or text **916-612-9410** to inform them of any neighborhood concerns or issues.

**AONA MEMBERSHIP AND SECURITY PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS** A huge thank you to the 231 families listed below who have contributed to the AONA Membership and/or Security Programs in 2025 (as of October 22). We extend special appreciation to those shown in bold for their additional support. If you haven't already, it's not too late to contribute. Every contribution—large or small—benefits the entire neighborhood. **There truly is power in numbers!**

Jesse & Sallie  
Debbie & Mark  
Bruce & Lori  
Pat & Gail  
Gus & Bronya  
Pauline & Amit  
William & Laurie  
Doug & Anne  
**Edward & Linden**  
Blake & Linda  
**Gary & Martha**  
Cliff & Debbie  
**Philip & Michelle**  
Scott & Tracy  
Brandon & Catherine  
**Jason**  
**Larry & Marjorie**  
Nora Geraghty & Stephen  
Mark & Priya  
**Jack & Anne-Marie**  
Daniel  
Andy & Beth

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Anderson^  
Bagatelos^  
Banerjee^^  
Barron^^  
Bayless^^  
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**Booth^^**  
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Lynda  
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Trevor & Courtney  
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Sam & Deborah  
Matt & Linden  
Matthew & Kaoru  
Mike & Sharon  
John & Christi  
Robert & Margaret  
Jim & Kathleen  
Maryanne Giokas & John  
Chrysa & George  
Michele  
Pam  
Tom & Jackie

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David & Stacey  
Carolyn Duty & Patricia  
Larry & Laurie  
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Thomas & Joanne

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 Gary & Erin  
 Mark & Liz  
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 Brian & Victoria  
 Tom & Nancy  
 Geoffrey Brewer & Russ  
 Taryn Fischer & Zachary  
 Kiumars & Mimi  
 Kristine Kjellsson & Tom  
 Bryce & Tiffany  
 Mia Bellante & Anthony  
 Antoinette  
 Concetta  
**James & Crystal**  
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 Perry Arellano & Janna  
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 Liz Gosnell & Nancy  
**Cole & Wendy**  
 Natalie Lowe & Dennis  
 Steve & Linda  
 Sobha  
 Joseph & Sheri  
 Nancy  
 Chris Smith & Vivian  
 Ram & Sita  
**Sheron**  
 Luko & Lisa  
 Scott & Linda  
 Susan & Richard  
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 Samuel & Rebecca  
 Paul & Paula  
 David & Rita  
 Michael & Irina  
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 William  
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 Alex & Stacy  
 Nick & Chris  
 Kimarie  
 Daniel Whisman & Brenda  
 Michael & Maxine  
 David & Colleen  
 Adam & Maggie  
 Ann & Jason Fass  
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 Bina Vasantharam & Colin  
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 Paul & Kay  
 Bob & Jerriane  
 Larry & Patty  
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 Daniel & Lynne  
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 John  
 Jacob & Molly  
**Jane**  
 Ravi & Tiffany  
**Valerie & Joel**  
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 Praveen & Nalini  
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 Pernell & Myla  
**Lor & Susannah**  
**Bkaskara & Sharan**  
**Anita**  
 Ed & Jessica  
 Mark & Marcia  
 Steve & Cheryl  
 Jessica DeHart & Anthony  
 Robert & Alisa  
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 Cheryl Lyles & Adham  
 William & Elaine  
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 Josh & Libby  
 Marilyn  
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 Peter & Joan  
 Jesse & Doris  
 Virginia & Albert  
 Lissa Oshei & Caitie  
 Dylan & Lyria  
 Scott & Chrissy  
 James & Claudine  
**Jeremy & Anna**  
 Machi & Janice  
 Richard & Mary  
 Michael & Helen  
**Craig**  
 Tom & Virginia  
 Mike & Krista  
 Kim  
 Amy Flores & Patrick  
 Walter

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 Ken & Kathy  
 Michael & Andrea  
 Ray & Nancy  
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 ship and/or \$500 for security.

## 2025 HOLIDAY LIGHTING CONTEST

It's time to dust off those holiday lights and ornaments and see if this is the year you can outshine your neighbors across the street! Who know—you might be the next proud winner displaying a "Best in Show" lawn sign for all to see!

We invite residents of all ages to participate in this fun neighborhood tradition—whether by decorating your home or joining the panel of judges. Make it a family holiday outing and enjoy the sparkle of the season throughout Arden Oaks!

How to Enter:

- Set up your lights and decorations by Sunday, December 14.
- Email your name and address to [aona.president@gmail.com](mailto:aona.president@gmail.com) by December 14 if you'd want like to enter the contest and/or serve as a judge.
- Score sheets and instructions will be emailed to all judges by December 15.
- Judging will take place from December 15 through December 21 by Arden Oaks residents.

Winners will be announced by December 23.

Let's make Arden Oaks shine brighter than ever this season with creative, colorful, and festive displays that spread holiday cheer throughout our neighborhood!