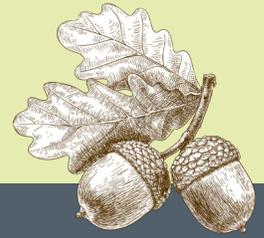


# THE ACORN



Arden Oaks Neighborhood Association Newsletter

June 2021

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday

**July 4, 10am**

Neighborhood parade & games at Windamere Park

### Sunday

**September 12, 5pm**

Neighborhood barbecue at 2000 Rockwood Drive

### Sign Up

Get the latest information on Sacramento County - Get timely updates about your community from a variety of sources simply by going to the Home Page of [www.saccounty.net](http://www.saccounty.net) and choosing to sign up for either emails or texts from the sources you wish to hear about. We would suggest you might start with the Board of Supervisors - District 3 - Rich Desmond, but there are many others you also may wish to hear about.

### Arden Way Complete Streets Master Plan

The final planning is now occurring to transform a stretch of Arden Way from Ethan to Watt Avenue from a drive-only commercial strip to a walkable suburban community. If you are interested in learning more about this project or participating in any of the community meetings, please go to the web site at [Ardenwaycompletestreets.net](http://Ardenwaycompletestreets.net).

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer is upon us again, and thankfully, the worst of the pandemic is behind us. The valley oaks, for which Arden Oaks is named, are in full leaf, shading and cooling the neighborhood. Roses abound on every street, the male turkeys are strutting their stuff, and the scent of jasmine permeates the air.

The AONA Board is pleased to issue the ACORN again—after a hiatus in 2020—so we can update the neighbors on what the Board is doing and what is happening in the neighborhood. Last year, the Board met monthly by Zoom, but the pandemic forced us to cancel our traditional 4th of July parade and party at the park as well as the neighborhood barbecue. However, the silver lining during this time with the stay-at-home restrictions was that security issues were reduced, and more people than ever were out walking, jogging, biking, and just meandering through the neighborhood, past the bountiful vegetable garden on Maple Glen, the stunning tulips on Rockwood, and the leaning oaks on Random. How lucky we are to live in such a beautiful neighborhood!

With the printing of this newsletter, we are hopeful that all COVID restrictions will be lifted and that we will resume our traditional neighborhood activities this year. Look for details on the 4th of July event inside this newsletter, and save the date of Sunday, September 12 for the annual barbecue, with details to come later this summer.

I am honored to be elected as president of the Board for 2021 to 2022 and to work with such a generous and dedicated Board of Directors. Glen Fowler is the new vice president, James Jack is the new secretary, and Tom Harvey is continuing on as the treasurer. A huge thank you goes to Linden Beck for her years of strong leadership as president; she remains an active Board member as chair person of the NPA committee and County liaison. Tim Powell continues his excellent work overseeing the security program, and Eric Stiff continues as chair of the strategic planning committee to keep us abreast of Sacramento County and other local activities affecting our neighborhood. Paul Legacki will coordinate the 4th of July event, and Linda Grant will manage the annual barbecue. Catherine Bettar is heading the new communications and outreach committee to ensure that we get you the information you need in a timely manner. Rounding out the Board are Kathleen Deeringer, Wendy Klokkevold, Larry Nicholas, Marcia Rodebaugh, and Molly Parnell, all who volunteer their time and energy for the betterment of the neighborhood.

Please feel free to email me anytime if you have any concerns or issues you have or if you have information that you would like to share with the neighbors. You can reach me at: [aona.president@gmail.com](mailto:aona.president@gmail.com). And while you're at your computer, be sure to check our website [ardenoaks.org](http://ardenoaks.org) for more information about AONA and the latest updates.

See you around the neighborhood!  
Joyce Hsiao  
AONA President

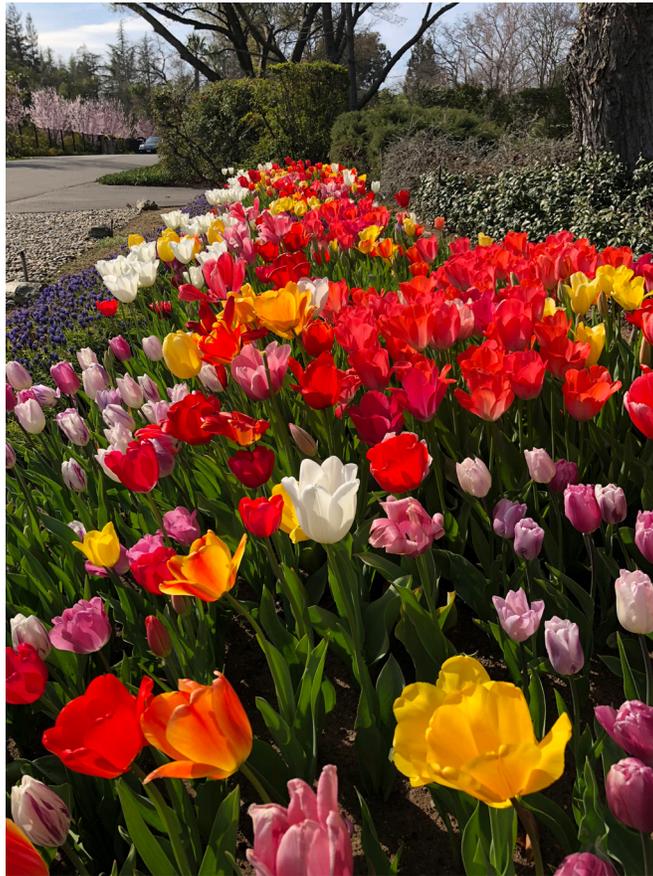
## MARCH ANNUAL MEETING BY ZOOM, WITH RICH DESMOND

Due to the pandemic, this year the Annual Meeting took place on March 2, 2021 via Zoom, and we had a great turnout of over 55 people. In addition to the standard election of board members and security program update, this year's meeting featured the newly elected Rich Desmond, the Sacramento County Supervisor for District 3 that includes Arden Oaks. Supervisor Desmond spoke on a wide range of issues affecting the County, including a focus on homelessness issues, and he answered questions from the AONA members. With the success of this meeting, the Board is now considering giving members the option to attend future meetings by Zoom if the La Sierra Park facility has internet capabilities.

## IT'S ALWAYS A GOOD IDEA TO CONSERVE WATER

We've had another dry winter, and California is on the verge of another drought. Though not yet strictly required, we can help conserve water by following the recommended watering schedule for outdoor landscaping:

- Properties that end in an ODD number, water on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.
- Properties that end in an EVEN number, water on Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday
- From May 1 to August 31, no watering between noon and 8:00 p.m.
- From September 1 to April 30, no watering between noon and 6:00 p.m.



## PLANNED EVOLVE RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER AT 1708 LADINO ROAD

The property at 1708 Ladino Road (between Arden Way and Random Lane) has been recently purchased and is being leased to Evolve for use as a residential treatment center for up to six youngsters from ages 12 to 17 years old. We understand that Evolve specializes in treatment for adolescents "struggling with mental health, substance abuse or behavior issues." The centers provide therapy, counseling,

and schooling to the teens with round-the-clock support and supervision. The center on Ladino Road would be for residential clients only, with no outpatient services. Evolve has eleven existing residential treatment centers located in residential areas in Northern and Southern California, and this twelfth center would be the first one in Sacramento.

Under California law, this planned use—with six or fewer residents—is permitted to occur in residential areas such as Arden Oaks, and this treatment center is

subject to licensing requirements by the State of California through the Department of Social Services. It is our understanding that such facilities must still follow all other zoning and similar requirements that would apply to any other residence in the neighborhood but are otherwise not prohibited.

Evolve has a pro-active Good Neighbor Policy and has indicated that they plan to contribute to the AONA membership and security programs. They are also planning to provide tours of the center for the neighbors prior to opening the center later this summer.

**MESSAGE FROM OUR COUNTY SUPERVISOR RICH DESMOND**

Throughout my campaign and during my first five months in office, I have heard from thousands of constituents expressing deep concern about the growing number of homeless encampments in our neighborhoods, shopping centers, sidewalks, the American River Parkway, local parks, and other open spaces. As your Supervisor and a fellow Sacramento County resident, I am deeply concerned about the increase in homelessness in our community. It is a humanitarian crisis, an economic crisis, and an environmental crisis. The reasons why individuals are homeless are vast and include drug and alcohol addiction, mental illness, and a lack of affordable housing. We often lack adequate resources to get help to those who are ready, willing, and able to take it, and I am working hard to change that. As a result of recent court cases like *Boise vs. Martin*, as well as current CDC guidelines and the COVID-19 public health order, the government generally cannot prevent camping in public spaces unless there is an alternative place to sleep. This becomes a problem with a relatively small number of campers who damage property, trespass on private property, or commit other minor crimes.

My first priority will always be to help those who need it – whether that be with housing or treatment for addiction and mental illness. My second priority is to protect our businesses and open spaces from the negative impacts of homeless camping. Some good things are happening. I am proud to be one of two County Supervisors serving on the County and City “2 x 2” meetings to improve coordination and find new, innovative ways to reduce homelessness. I help coordinate internal, bi-monthly meetings with numerous County departments to discuss specific problematic encampments and a coordinated approach to address them with an emphasis on service. Additionally, the Sheriff’s Homeless Outreach Team and District Attorney’s Office Community Prosecutor have made great strides helping connect the homeless with services while holding those accountable who commit serious crimes. Finally, the influx of American Relief Act (ARA) federal funds will provide an opportunity to dedicate more proven resources toward addressing our homelessness crisis. More specifics about the ARA funding will be discussed during the budget hearings in June.

I realize this message offers no immediate remedy or comfort about the crisis we are facing, but I assure you that all of the parties are working collectively to attempt to help the homeless while keeping our communities clean and safe.

— **Sacramento County Supervisor Rich Desmond, District 3**

## NEW AND IMPROVED COMMUNICATIONS IN ARDEN OAKS

The ACORN newsletter has been a long tradition in our neighborhood, but as you can see in this edition, after many years, we are updating our look! This is just the first step in the improvements the Board is making for better communication with the AONA members. We will be using multiple approaches to get you the information you need. First, we will be issuing the ACORN on a more regular basis, and with the exception of one paper copy of the ACORN mailed to you each year, all other editions of the ACORN will be sent to you electronically by email. We will also post all editions on our website <ardenoaks.org>. Second, the Board is planning to update and modernize the AONA website, so that we can provide you with regular security updates as well as allow you to make payments for membership and the security program electronically. Third, we will be continuing to send you email communications as needed for security alerts or other relevant information of interest to the residents. And finally, we will continue to post the sandwich board notices throughout the neighborhood to notify you of upcoming neighborhood events.

So if you want to be informed with the latest Arden Oaks news, make sure we have your current email address. And please check the settings on your computer to make sure that you are receiving our AONA email communications and that they are not ending up in your junk/spam folder. Please contact us at [aona.president@gmail.com](mailto:aona.president@gmail.com) if you have not been receiving these emails or if you have changed your email address.

## SECURITY PROGRAM UPDATE

### From the Security Committee:

The Arden Oaks Security Committee administers the Off-Duty Sheriff Patrol and efforts to reduce crimes, such as recent burglaries, within our neighborhood. Good security starts at home, and below we have shared some easy and effective suggestions that can help make your home less attractive to burglars.

- 1. Door and windows.** As crazy as it sounds, in nearly 1/3 of home burglaries the burglar gained entry without using force—through an unlocked door or window. So make sure to lock up! If you have a glass-paned front door, a burglar can easily break the glass and flip the deadbolt right open to let themselves in. Consider double-sided deadbolts for glass doors, and if your window locks are flimsy or broken a wooden dowel is an inexpensive way to keep your window from being opened.
- 2. Consider inexpensive deterrents.** Video cameras are a deterrent to burglars and can provide helpful evidence if a break-in occurs. And you don't need an expensive camera system to enjoy the security benefits...Ring video doorbells cost less than \$100. A well-lit home is also a less attractive target to thieves, and landscape lighting and motion activated flood lights are inexpensive solutions that can be found at any hardware store. If you're away from home for an extended period, a \$20 indoor light timer can switch your lights on and off while you're gone to make it look just like you're home.
- 3. Test your alarm and use it.** Many of the recent break-ins in our neighborhood have occurred in homes equipped with security systems. Unfortunately, those systems were either turned off or weren't working at all. It is always a good idea to set your alarm whenever you aren't home, and it's an even better idea to set your alarm when you are home for the night. You and your loved ones are items that can't be replaced after a break-in! And make sure to test your alarm periodically to ensure it is working. Similarly, if you have cameras, make sure they work!

And last, but not least, please remember to contact the Arden Oaks Patrol to place your home on vacation watch while you are gone. This service is available through our neighbors' generous contributions to the security fund so please take advantage of it!

### Arden Oak Patrol # 916-612-9410.

This phone is only in use when patrol is on duty. If you leave a message it may be a day or two before someone gets back to you. Use the non emergency sheriff number to report suspicious activity or crimes.

### Non Emergency Sheriff # 916-874-5115

**Going on vacation?** Email [ao4@sacsheriff.com](mailto:ao4@sacsheriff.com) with your vacation dates. Security will check on your property while you are away.

**SPECIAL thanks** to the 188 Arden Oaks households plus the 22 residents on the Eastside of Arden Oaks who have already contributed to the security program and off-duty sheriff patrol for 2021. The participating residents are listed below, and EXTRA special thanks to those in **bold** face type for their extra contributions.

Jesse & Sallie  
Christina & Jay Lemmons  
Debbie & Mark  
Brent & Melanie  
Gus & Bronya  
John & Freedom  
Pauline & Amit  
Harrison & Brittany  
William & Laurie  
Doug & Anne  
Edward & Linden  
Blake & Linda  
Rick  
Gary & Martha  
Cliff & Debbie  
**Philip & Michelle**  
Marilyn  
Brandon & Catherine  
Mark & Donna  
Jason  
**Larry & Marjorie**  
Stephan & Nora Geraghty  
**Jack & Anne-Marie**  
Daniel  
Joseph & Maxine  
Patricia Phillips & Gale  
Andy & Beth  
Tim & Laurel  
Christopher & Kim  
Michael & Lynda  
Steve & Donna  
John & Celeste  
James  
Aaron  
Sam  
Ben & Hazel  
Karen Schultz & Peter  
Robert & Margaret  
John & Christi  
Jim & Kathleen  
Maryanne Giokas & John  
James Smith & Monica  
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David & Stacey  
Edward & Kelly  
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Thomas & Joanne  
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Tom & Kristine Kjellsson  
Bryce & Tiffany  
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Ralph & Dolly  
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Timothy & Denise  
Ara & Viva  
June  
**Cole & Wendy**  
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Nancy  
Chris Smith & Vivian  
Ram Sita  
Luko & Lisa  
Virginia  
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David & Jennifer  
Paul & Paula  
David & Rita  
Beverly  
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Tim  
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Ravi & Tiffany  
**Valerie & Joel**  
Gary  
**Manny Alvarez & Erica**  
Amy George & Femi  
Randy & Bebe  
Matthew & Erin  
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**Tim & Kristine**  
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Vinod & Archana  
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Thomas Huang & Paul  
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Trey & Kelli  
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**ARDEN OAKS**

Neighborhood Association  
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**Arden Oaks 4th of July Parade Returns!**

Parade forms at Rockwood between Maple Glen and Ladino, starting at 9:30 a.m.

Decorate your bikes, scooters, and strollers and join the parade!

Free balloons, flags, and other regalia.

Parade begins at 10:00 and ends at Windemere Park, with a root beer stop on the way.  
Join us at the park for sack races, water balloon toss, popsicles, watermelon, and more.

Music by Extra Innings Band.

