

OLDE OAKS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION



Congratulations to all of our OOWP graduates. Always follow your dreams and believe in yourself as we have believed in you, watching you grow into the wonderful young adults you are today. We celebrate your success.

Malcolm Willis

Malcolm has attended school in Spring ISD since elementary, attending Beneke Elementary, Reynolds Elementary, Roberson Middle and completing his secondary schooling at Westfield High School. Malcolm played football for Westfield during his four-year tenure, playing varsity in his junior and senior year, earning the UIL scholar award and Academic All-State team. Malcolm is graduating in the top ten

percent of his class and is a part of National Honor Society. Malcolm will be attending Texas A&M University in the fall majoring in sports marketing. We are very proud of him and love him.

His family

Cameron J. Vasquez

Cameron is the grandson of residents Albert J. and Janie Vasquez. Cameron has been a lifetime student of Spring School District and is a senior at Westfield High School and a member of the Mustang varsity football team. After graduation, he plans to attend Sam Houston State University, where he will pursue a degree in criminal justice. Good luck, Cameron!



Katherine Rarnett

Katherine Barnett, daughter of Brent and Brenda Barnett, is a lifelong resident of Olde Oaks. Katherine has swum with the Oak Creek Village Cudas Swim Team for nine years. During that time, she has consistently been one of the leading female swimmers and



volunteered many hours teaching the youngest team members how to swim. As an active member of the Champion Forest Baptist Church Student Ministry, Katherine participates in activities that are fun yet meaningful and takes advantage of opportunities to serve others both locally and during summer mission trips around the US. As a homeschooled student, Katherine completed 51 hours of dual credit coursework through Lone Star College. She is a National Merit Scholar and will study industrial engineering at the University of Oklahoma on a full academic scholarship this fall.



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## REPORT UTILITY ISSUES Add these numbers to your cell phone for easy access

Gas Leaks (Centerpoint)	
Power Outages (Centerpoint)	
Street Light Outages (Centerpoint)	
Reporting resident will need pole number and street, includin,	g immediate side streets

#### Road hazards, street sign and light issues, bridges, flooding

Harris County Precinct 4	.www.hcp4.net
Monday–Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m	281-353-8424
After hours, weekends, or holidays	.713-755-5000

#### Trash & Recycling

WCA Waste Corporation
(Regular trash receptacles outside your back door on Monday and Thursday)
Recycling and yard waste curbside on Thursday only
Trash receptacles storage out of view from street (per Deed Restrictions)

#### **General Safety**

Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services 713	3-274-6300
Report dirty pools, unsafe/unsanitary habitation	
Request Vacation Watch (call 8 a.m 5 p.m.)	-376-2997
Harris County Alarm Detail (Permits)713	-755-4600

### PETS - DISTURBANCES, LOST & FOUND

Report injured, vicious animals and bites	
Animal Control	1
Complaints about barking dogs	
Sheriff Non-Emergency713-221-600	0
Report lost or found pets in OO/WP	
Julie Brown, Pet Liaisonjbrown@apex-staff.com, 713-302-914	8

# MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICTS (MUD)

Manhole/Sewer Backup	L
MUD #20 www.edpwater.cor	n
Billing, Service & Emergencies	9
BOARD OF DIRECTORS:	
John Dougrey   Robert Skinner   Larry Foster   Brian Wright	
Board Meetings: First Tuesday of month, 11:30 a.m.	
10000 Memorial Drive, Suite 260, Houston, TX, 713-951-0800	

### SCHOOLS

Spring ISD Schools	www.springisd.org
Pat Reynolds Elementary School	
Edwin Wells Middle School	
Westfield High School	

### **OLDE OAKS INTEREST GROUP CONTACTS**

Arts and Crafts	Barbara Smith, 832-732-9920
Book Club	Kathy Hall, 281-569-4967
Bridge, Women's	
Dinner With Friends	Lauren Hensley, 281-893-1833
Mixed Bowling	Francine Alvarez, 281-580-8815
Playgroup	Joyce Ray-Latson, 832-231-3201
Volunteer Pet Charity Coordinator	Roswitha Shoemake, 713-703-8637

### OTHER

Olde Oaks Greenbelt Preservation Associationhttp://oogpa.com
Greenbelt Preservation Association:
Craig Lewis, President   Kathy Zigler, Secretary
Tanya Morland, Treasurer   John Edmonson, Director at Large
Barbara Bush Library
6817 Cypresswood Drive, Spring, TX 77379
Hours: Monday 1-9, Tuesday 10-9, Wednesday 10-6,
Thursday 10-9, Friday 10-6, Saturday 10-5, Sunday Closed
Northgate Country Clubwww.northgatecountryclub.com
General
Membership281-440-4006

### **EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

Police – Fire – Ambulance
Nonemergency Sheriff
Fire Department – Klein Volunteer
Animal Control
24 hr. Emergency Poison Control Center
CenterPoint Electric713-207-2222
CenterPoint Gas
Harris County Pct. 4 (M-F, 8 a.m5 p.m.) 281-353-8424
Harris County Pct. 4 (outside regular hours)
Registered Sex Offenders www.familywatchdog.us

www.iwatchharriscounty.com Download the app for Apple and Android phones to report criminal activity anonymously.

To have your house checked on while you're away on vacation go to www.harriscountyso.org/vacation\_watch.aspx and complete the form online, or call the Cypresswood substation.

Watch for "Alerts" posted on our community website at https://www.facebook.com/groups/OldeOaksWaterfordPark and on www.nextdoor.com

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It's been just over 60 days since the election and OOCIA continues to move forward. Some changes are obvious, like removing the Astroturf rolls from in front of the soccer facility. Others, like the work of our finance team, are currently invisible, but great things have small beginnings.

In 2015, we spent over \$200k in special projects. Most of this was on the lights along TC Jester, between the community and Walmart, and then between the community and Cypresswood Drive. We have around 1,500 resident homes. The way we spend our money and the projects we select need to benefit the overall community with the most impact possible for everyone.

So we're doing our part to be financially responsible. We recently completed cancellation of a \$23K payment to CenterPoint Energy for 61 additional streetlights, initiated at the end of 2015. The exception is a single light for a family with a special needs child. CenterPoint agreed to refund all our monies. Once we've determined our financial position, going forward we will review all major projects with you in the community for feedback and support prior to approval.

Audits for an HOA are typically done every three years. Members in the community have noted inaccuracies in the way our financials were stated. In response, we asked Canady and Canady CPAs to do a two-year audit for 2014 and 2015 instead of a one-year audit. They are also restating our 2014 financials on an accrual basis for an additional \$2k, which the Board approved. This allows us to compare financial results of both years in the same way.

Accrual accounting has several benefits. We're not just looking at our performance for the current month, but watching future months as well. The accrual method allows us to see what is owed to us, what we owe to others, and what the overall bottom line will actually be at the end of the year.

I believe that our community can do big things without a large outlay of money. What we need is a plan and the relationships to make it a success. We have yet to investigate partnerships with the local MUDs or neighboring HOAs to share ideas and resources. Watch for developments over the coming months. I have no doubt that if we persevere with the current program, Olde Oaks and Waterford Park will continue as a cherished home for our current residents and become a premier destination for families looking for a community.

Regards, Torrence Smith torrenceoociaboard@gmail.com



# A Pet Adoption & Rescue Awareness Event



In honor of the big hearted Rescue Groups and Foster Parents who give tirelessly to find forever families for homeless pets, my rescue Teddy and I are honored to present PAWS FOR A CAUSE, a family event benefiting our area rescue groups. Contact me for more event details.



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# **OOWP Potluck Picnic**

Saturday, May 14 from noon – 4 p.m.

We will have our first annual OOWP Potluck Picnic on Saturday, May 14 from noon until 4 p.m. at the MUD #44 building (16030 TC Jester, north side of TC Jester before bridge). Everyone will be making their favorite dishes to share. We are encouraging ethnic foods, as well as picnic favorites. Please provide a five-inch by seven-inch index card with the name of your dish and the ingredients to help with allergies.

There will be food, karaoke, more food, face painting, even more food, music, and plenty of games.

A big thank you to all the coordinating volunteers: Brenda Hannah, Arlene and Chuck Gaimari, Roger McKnight, M.J. Shannon, Maria Borkey, Criss Coles, Roswitha Shoemake, Kathy Bell, Piere Mitchell, Dan Chedda, Susan Szota and organizer Debbie Aiello.

Please plan to attend and watch for follow-up details posted on Nextdoor. Come and have some great food and have a relaxing day with your neighbors. We look forward to seeing everyone!





# Effective Communication and Timely Reporting

by Chuck Cornelius, Vice President ccorneliusoocia@gmail.com

This month, our contract deputies successfully broke up a large burglary ring that involved a group of juveniles. Several cases within Olde Oaks/Waterford Park have now been solved as well as others in the surrounding area. Other cases are still being reviewed to see if they are connected to this ring. A big shoutout to Deputy Parsons for his work on this!

Deputy Mendez is still working hard in dealing with the speeders on TC Jester. I am working on details to initiate a fundraiser to purchase a laser speed gun for our deputies. This will enable them to be more effective in identifying the vehicles in traffic. Stay tuned for more information.

Deputies Lewellen and Gutherie are working hard on days and evenings to make sure we are secure while at work and asleep. **Call 911 to report any suspicious people or vehicles as it happens.** If someone is knocking at your door after dark, and you don't know them, call 911 to report the suspicious activity. **After you report the incident,** you can post the event to social media to keep the neighborhood advised of the event.

To request a Contract Deputy to contact you, call the non-emergency/informational number at 713-221-6000.

If you have any questions, please contact Chuck Cornelius at ccorneliusoocia@gmail.com.





Come and meet your neighbors poolside May 20 from 6-8:30 p.m.. Northgate Country Club is hosting a free "Cheeseburgers in Paradise" poolside party serving complimentary beer, wine, hot dogs and cheeseburgers for you! Come and meet your neighbors. This is a whole family event. Casual attire and swimsuits recommended.

RSVP is required to Susan Szota at szotaoociaboard@gmail.com. Please let her know your name and how many are coming in your family.

Northgate Country Club is located at 17110 Northgate Forest Drive, Houston, TX 77068. For more information, visit www.northgatecountryclub.com.

# **NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS**

Location and date of Next OOCIA Board Meeting in May will be announced online and via email.

Contact Crest Management at 281-579-0761 for specific property or account questions.

Board Meeting minutes available at www.oocia.org



# There Is Still Time to Feature Your 2016 Graduate

There is still time to recognize our high school and college graduates. Please send your student's name, parents' names, school presently attending, activities and honors, and future plans. You may also email a photo of your graduate to accompany biographies. Send to oldeoakseditor@gmail.com by noon on **May 10** to be included in the newsletter.

# COMMUNITY STROKE AWARENESS FESTIVAL SATURDAY, MAY 14 | 10 A.M. - NOON

**FREE** kid-friendly event with interactive activities for the whole family! Grab your friends and family and come have fun while learning about the signs of stroke and how to reduce your stroke risk.

Event is on the Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital campus, North Pavilion entrance just off Centerfield Dr.

- · Free educational seminar by physician stroke experts Session begins at 10 a.m.
- · Free health screenings and stroke risk assessments
- · Come experience AmeriBrain® the world's most realistic walk through inflatable brain exhibit
- Games and activities
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To register for the seminar and for more information, visit **houstonmethodist.org/events** or call **281.737.2500**.

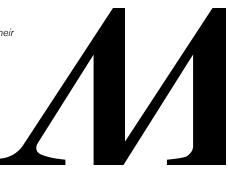
This educational event is made possible due to the philanthropic support of the Khurana Family and their commitment to advance stroke care in Northwest Houston.

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Olde Oaks Community Newsletter





I would first like to thank all my neighbors for the wonderful support I have received in my first three months as your representative on the Olde Oaks Waterford Park HOA Board. I have met so many neighbors from all over the neighborhood and have had many volunteers stepping up to offer help and share ideas for keeping our neighborhood a great place to live. I appreciate the emails for suggestions for Yard of the Month, so keep them coming!

It is easy to see that the majority of our neighbors are taking pride in their property. If there are any areas of concern that you feel need to be addressed, your Board is listening! As always, you can email via the website at OOCIA.com. We are diligently working on solutions for your questions. We are planning our work and working our plan.

# Beautification







The flowers are in, the ugly eyesore mats from Walters entrance are gone, and the ants have been treated at Kennonview Park. The little free library is also available at Kennonview Park for our residents to borrow, return or donate books for the children of our neighborhood. A big thanks to Barbara Smith for the wonderful art she did on the dispenser, as well as to the many residents who donated books to get it filled! I am working on another one for adult books. I hope to have an update on that soon.

# **Community Engagement**

The garage sale was a success, and although we had a lot of competition with other community sales, the feedback I received was positive. Thanks, neighbors, for using in-ground stakes for signs and removing them after the sale! There were only a few signs taped to poles. Next time hopefully there won't be any.

The plant exchange was quickly arranged, and I am hoping we can schedule another one in the fall. We have many knowledgeable people, even master gardeners right here in our neighborhood, so even if you don't have plants to share, you can always get information, ask questions or seek advice.

I am looking forward to seeing many neighbors at the potluck picnic and Northgate cheeseburger party. It will be a fun time for all! Additional details can be found on Facebook and Nextdoor.

Thanks again, neighbors, for being active participants, even in the little ways. See you around the neighborhood!

Susan Szota, Secretary szotaoociaboard@gmail.com



by Pat Ganer Treasurer, pganeroociaboard@gmail.com

# **Finance Committee**

The auditors, Canady & Canady, are in the process of auditing our accounts from 2014 through 2015. Our financial records were kept following different methods. Due to this variance, the auditors need to rebuild seven different categories and convert financials for 2014 to accrual basis. The proposed increase for this work will be \$2,000, which will allow the records to be in a form that can be utilized in the future.

The work of the auditors ties in with research done by Richard Lewellen and the Finance Committee in studying capitalization and depreciation of assets we have to factor into the reserve amount we want to keep for maintenance, repairs and replacement of assets. We will be communicating with the auditor in establishing the method of estimation of reserve.

# **Bylaws/Governing Documents Committee**

Our committee has been busy studying the Texas Property Code, Chapter 209 Texas Residential Property Owners Protection Act. This state regulation provides guidance with respect to how certain aspects of our community can be governed under current state law. We are comparing Chapter 209 to our current OOCIA bylaws for the purpose of determining whether our community should amend outdated practices that are contrary to law. We will be sharing this committee's work as it progresses over the next several weeks. Any actual change to the current bylaws requires a vote by community members, so you will be provided specific information about any changes being contemplated.



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# Safety Is a Shared Responsibility

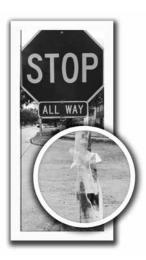
Keeping your family and your pets safe is a priority. Harris County and OOCIA community deed restrictions require that all dogs and cats be restrained. According to the Harris County Public Health Department, "A restraint means the control of a dog or cat when it is controlled by a line or leash not more than six (6) feet in length, if the line or leash is held by a human being who is capable of controlling or governing the dog or cat in question; when it is within a fully enclosed vehicle; when it is on the premises of the custodian and the animal does not have access to a sidewalk or street."

Each day in OOCIA there are several reports of loose dogs, reports of people walking their animal without a leash and allowing their animals to defecate on neighbors' lawns. To remain neighborly along with the safety and protection of your family and pet, all pet dogs and cats are required to wear leashes while outside of a fenced enclosure or your home. Picking up after your pet is also appreciated.

For more information on the leash requirements, to report a dangerous animal, or to report leash violations, call 713-439-6000 or visit www.hcphes.org and follow the links: Harris County Public Health Divisions and Offices → Veterinary Public Health → Animals and Pets → Animal Laws.

# Traffic Signs Aren't Bulletin Boards

Please do not post on stop signs. It violates local ordinances. Please use technology for an easier, quicker and more effective method to get the word out about lost or found pets, items for sale, etc. such as Facebook or Nextdoor.







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# **OLDE OAKS AND WATERFORD PARK** ADDRESS REGISTRATION

Receiving timely notifications allows effective communication. Homeowners and residents will also be included in community related correspondence.

### Please print all information

Name: Address: Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: Spouse Name: \_ Spouse Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Phone: Own Home **Rent** Home □ Select this if you are interested in being added to future Residential Directory (If you do not wish to have your telephone number published, write "Unlisted" next to number. Mail To: Olde Oaks Community Improvement Association, Inc. c/o Crest Management Company PO Box 219320 Houston, TX 77218-9320 Or submit your information at www.crest-management.com

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# SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MONTHLY PATROL STATISTICS

### **MARCH 2016**

### Category

Incidents

911 Hang-Up Call	1
Alarm – Silent/Panic	4
Alarm – Home Security	17
Assault	1
Burglary – Home	3
Burglary – Vehicle	2
Criminal Mischief	1
Disturbance – Loud Noise	14
Disturbance – Animal	0
Domestic – Prevention	3
Domestic – Violence	1
In Progress	1
Medical/Fire	3
Neighborhood Check	402
Nuisance Abatement	3
Robbery – Aggravated	0
Robbery – Individual	0
Sex Offender Check	0
Suspicious Person	10
Theft	2
Telephone Harassment	
Vacation Watch	1
Vehicle – Accident	0
Vehicle – Abandoned/Disabled	2
Vehicle – Speeding	54
Vehicle – Suspicious	4

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The Olde Oaks Community Newsletter is published monthly for the residents of Olde Oaks. It is made possible by your neighborhood businesses and friends from ads purchased in the newsletter. Please support these businesses. If you would like to help sponsor this newsletter by purchasing ad space, please call Champions Printing & Publishing, Inc. at 281-583-7661 by the 10th of each month. Please submit classified ads directly to your editor.

# **Newsletter Deadline**

The newsletter provides residents with information that builds and strengthens a community by announcing activities and scheduled events. Content directed toward local technical issues such as maintenance of HVAC systems, planting, winterizing your home, or charities, etc. are welcome. Event dates and community event notifications are encouraged. We are interested in hearing from you. Articles promoting may be sent to "Olde Oaks Editor" via email or front porch delivery. Please do not drop in US mailbox. All submissions must be signed and dated. If you would like to see the number of pages we can utilize increase for community information, please let businesses know about the newsletter and have them place an ad by contacting Champions Printing direct at 281-583-7661.

**Deadline for June newsletter is May 10 by noon.** Editor: Barbara Smith • Email: OldeOaksEditor@gmail.com Mail or hand deliver to 15714 Winding Moss

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Lakewood Grove | 15906 Timbergrove \$235,000 | MLS# 41460763 Spacious one story in Lakewood Forest. 4/2.1/2 with large open living area.



High Meadow Ranch | 28933 Post Oak Run \$845,000 | MLS# 51546576 Secluded in country setting. Custom 1 story with courtyard, casita with 4319 sq. ft. Sparkling pool in park-like yard. Tree orchard.



Northgate Forest Place | 16815 Southern Oaks \$1,395,000 | MLS# 30569041 Absolutely beautiful 4 bedroom home. 4 full &2 half baths. 4 car garage. View of golf course and pool are fabulous! Over 7700 sq ft.



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