



Waterford Park

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

OLDE OAKS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

OOCIA Annual Members' Meeting

**February 11, 2015 • 7 p.m.
at the MUD Building on TC Jester**

The Olde Oaks Community Improvement Association (OOCIA) consists of the Olde Oaks and Waterford Park subdivisions, and its affairs are run by a Board of Directors. These Directors are elected by the Association members (homeowners) at the Annual Members' Meeting each February.

Volunteers may be needed to assist with the Annual Meeting. If interested, please contact ACMI at 281-251-2292 or email info@ACMIgmt.com.

Three Directors are elected in even-numbered years and two Directors are elected in odd-numbered years; thus, you are voting for two Directors at the Annual Members' Meeting to be held at 7 p.m. on **February 11**.

We encourage all members to participate! This is also the time the Board presents the Association's annual report/ Association financial status and other topics relevant to all members. At the end of the meeting, members will have an opportunity to present community-related questions to the Board and ACMI.

All residents will be receiving their ballots in the near future from ACMI, our management company, including how to vote online.

In order to vote for **two Directors**, you may:

- Bring your **signed ballot** to the 2015 annual meeting in February;
- Mail in **signed absentee/proxy ballot** to ACMI, 12603 Louetta Rd, Suite 101, Cypress, TX 77429-5136;
- Submit ballot from the OOCIA website (www.oocia.org) using the security code listed at the top of the Annual Meeting Notice, which will be mailed to each homeowner in the near future.

Please remember that each lot is allowed submittal of only one ballot and you are voting for two Directors in the February 2015 election.

All ballots not brought to the February meeting must be received in the ACMI office no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10.

We are looking forward to you participating in the voting process and attending not only the Annual meeting, but all scheduled Board meetings.

Christine Potter

NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS OF OOCIA BOARD MEETINGS

Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m.

January 14 and February 11, 2015
(Annual Members Meeting)

MUD 44 Bldg. at 16030 TC Jester

Residents are invited to attend and participate in Q&A session held after the general meeting. For specific property or account concerns, contact ACMI at 281-251-2292 or info@ACMIgmt.com.

OOCIA BOARD NOTES

Join us on Facebook
Beg, Barter, Buy and Sell Olde Oaks & Waterford Park and on www.Nextdoor.com for "Alerts" and information



Who You Gonna Call?

IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO KEEP

OOCIA Management Company

ACMI Management Company 281-251-2292
 (for deed restrictions, neighborhood management and property improvements)
 12603 Louetta Rd., Suite 101 Fax 281-370-9238
 Cypress, TX 77429 www.ACMIgmt.com
 Email info@ACMIgmt.com

OOCIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Christine Potter, President | Greg Green, VP
 Mia Cordova, Sec/Treasurer | Nicholas Summerville, Director at Large
 Chuck Cornelius, Deputy Coordinator

REPORT UTILITY ISSUES

Add these numbers to your cell phone for easy access

Gas Leaks (Centerpoint) 713-659-2111
 Power Outages (Centerpoint) 713-207-2222
 Street Light Outages (Centerpoint) 800-332-7143
 Reporting resident will need pole number and street, including
 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

Royal Recycle & Disposal 713-526-1536
 (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

Report dirty pools, unsafe/unsanitary habitation
 Harris County Public Health and
 Environmental Services 713-274-6300
 Request Vacation Watch (call 8 a.m.- 5 p.m.) 281-376-2997
 Harris County Alarm Detail (Permits) 713-755-4600

MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICTS (MUD)

Manhole/Sewer Backup 713-983-3602
 MUD #20 www.edpwater.com
 Billing, Service & Emergencies 832-467-1599

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

MUD #44

<http://www.wdmtexas.com/districts-served/harris-county-mud-44/>

Billing, Service & Emergencies 281-376-8802

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Rolf Flemming | Toby Landry | Robert Ramsey

Tom Sooy | Harry Swanstrom

Board Meetings: Second Tuesday of month, 7 p.m.

16030 TC Jester

Bammel Utility District Office 281-376-8802

<http://www.wdmtexas.com/districts-served/bammel-utility-district>

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Nicholas Fava | Garey Nelson | Alan Kaniss

Al Habinak | James Armand

Board meetings: Second Monday of month, 7 p.m.

3904 Gladeridge (clubhouse)

PETS – DISTURBANCES, LOST & FOUND

Report injured, vicious animals and bites

Animal Control 281-999-3191

Complaints about barking dogs

Sheriff Non-Emergency 713-221-6000

Report lost or found pets in OO/WP

Julie Brown, Pet Liaison 713-302-9148

SCHOOLS

Spring ISD Schools www.springisd.org

Pat Reynolds Elementary School 281-891-8240

Edwin Wells Middle School 281-891-7750

Westfield High School 281-891-7130

OLDE OAKS INTEREST GROUP CONTACTS

Arts and Crafts Barbara Smith, 832-732-9920

Book Club Kathy Hall, 281-569-4967

Bridge, Women's Susanne Bailey, 281-580-1717

Dinner With Friends Lauren Hensley, 281-893-1833

Mixed Bowling Francine Alvarez, 281-580-8815

Playgroup Joyce Ray-Latson, 832-231-3201

OTHER

Olde Oaks Preservation <http://oogpa.com>

Greenbelt Preservation Association:

Craig Lewis, President | Kathy Zigler, Secretary
 Tanya Morland, Treasurer | John Edmonson, Director at Large

Barbara Bush Library 281-376-4610
 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 Club www.northgatecountryclub.com

General: 281-444-5302

Membership: 281-440-4006

Emergency Numbers

Police – Fire – Ambulance 911

Nonemergency Sheriff 713-221-6000

Fire Department – Klein Volunteer 281-251-0101

Animal Control 281-999-3191

24 hr. Emergency Poison Control Center ... 1-800-222-1222

Centerpoint Electric 713-207-2222

Centerpoint Gas 713-659-2111

Harris County Pct. 4 (M-F, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.) 281-353-8424

Harris County Pct. 4 (outside regular hours) 713-755-5000

Registered Sex Offenders www.familywatchdog.us

DISCLAIMER: Articles in this newsletter express the opinions of their authors and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of Champions Printing & Publishing, Inc. or its employees, Olde Oaks Community Improvement Association or Community Newsletter. Champions Printing & Publishing, Inc., Olde Oaks Community Improvement Association and Community Newsletter are not responsible for the accuracy of any facts stated in articles submitted by others.



Well, here we are in a new year, and our group is ready for a new list of books. At our November meeting, we chose the following for January through May:

- January** – *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline
- February** – *First Class: The Legacy of Dunbar, America's First Black Public High School* by Alison Stewart
- March** – *Some Luck* by Jane Smiley
- April** – *From Barefoot to Billionaire* by Jon M. Huntsman
- May** – *A Wasp in the Fig Tree* by Mary Bryan Stafford

To backtrack to our January book, *Orphan Train*, the setting is in present-day Maine and depression-era Minnesota, and highlights the story of trains that carried thousands of orphaned, abandoned, and destitute children from the East Coast to the Midwest between 1854 and 1929. The book focuses on an Irish girl in the United States from Galway County, Ireland. Decades later in her life, she encounters Molly, a Penobscot Indian foster teen who must complete community service by cleaning out Vivian's attic. As they work together, they find common ground. We also learn about Vivian's life in the Midwest and the ups and downs after her train ride west.

Ms. Kline was born in England and was raised in Cambridge, the American south, and in Maine. She is a graduate of Yale and also has degrees from Cambridge University and the University of Virginia. Her short stories, essays, and articles have been in various newspapers and magazines. She has also taught at Fordham University, the University of London, Yale, NYU, UVA, and Drew University. *Orphan Train*, published in 2013, is her fifth novel and has been a bestseller. Her work has included co-authoring or editing five non-fiction books, too.

Since we didn't read a book for December, we met at a local restaurant, Blue Water Seafood and Oyster Bar, early in the month just for good food and to socialize in the spirit of the holiday season.

A happy, safe, and prosperous New Year to you all!

Kathy Hall, Book Club Coordinator
281-569-4967



New Baby?

Congratulations on your new arrival!

To arrange a "stork" set up in the front yard, please call Kathy Hall at 281-569-4967.

Yikes!
There's a waiting list of buyers looking for a home in your neighborhood.

SOLD OUT?

At what price would you become a seller?

Gail Medina
Realtor

INTERO
REAL ESTATE SERVICES
Independently Owned and Operated

(281) 832-6482
Certified Negotiation Expert
har.com/gailmedina
Gail@interoHouston.com

With a strong housing demand, low interest rates & low inventory... this promises to be one of the best selling markets in 5 years. Don't hesitate, call or text for a free market analysis & ask me how I can save you more money!

Neighborhood Security

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.harriscountytso.org/vacation_watch.aspx and complete the form online, or call the Cypresswood substation.

If you see suspicious or criminal activity occurring, call 9-1-1 for emergencies and 713-221-6000 for non-emergencies.

Watch for "Alerts" posted on our community Facebook page, "Beg, Barter, Buy and Sell Olde Oaks & Waterford Park" and on www.nextdoor.com.

MONTHLY STATISTICS

November 2014

Incident	Category	Incident	Category
911 Hang-Up Call.....	0	Neighborhood Check.....	553
Alarm – Silent/Panic.....	1	Robbery – Aggravated.....	0
Alarm – Home Security.....	29	Robbery – Individual.....	0
Assault/Family	4	Suspicious Person.....	1
Burglary – Home/Vehicle.....	2	Theft	1
Criminal Mischief	1	Vacation Watch.....	4
Disturbance – Loud Noise.....	4	Vehicle – Accident	2
Disturbance – Animal.....	3	Vehicle – Abandoned.....	0
Domestic/Prevention.....	3	Vehicle – Speeding.....	22
DWI	1	Vehicle – Suspicious	4
In Progress.....	3	Welfare Check.....	5

Home Security Review

The HCSO's Crime Prevention Unit conducts free home security inspections for a possible 5% discount on your homeowner's insurance premium. In order to qualify, your home must meet requirements that are listed on their downloadable application found at www.harriscountytso.org/home_security_inspection.aspx.

When your home meets the requirements, complete the form and mail it to the HCSO address indicated. Upon receipt, an HCSO Deputy certified to conduct the inspection will contact you to make an appointment. If your home passes the inspection, the results will be forwarded to the Texas Department of Insurance who will then mail you a certificate. That certificate should then be mailed to your homeowner's insurance agency for the discount.

For more information on home safety inspections, please contact the HCSO's Crime Prevention Unit at 713-759-9454.

Caring for Your Family



Bijoy Mukherjee, D.O.
20423 Kuykendahl Rd.
Spring, Texas 77379
281-500-8660

Call to schedule your appointment today!

- Internal Medicine
- Physicals and vaccinations
- Same day sick visits
- New patients welcome
- Online appointments available



Windrose
Family Medicine



windrosefamilymedicine.com



MULCH SPECIAL — **\$25 MOST LAWNS**
\$59 PER CUBIC YARD
MOW, WEED-EAT, EDGE, BLOW & BAG FRONT & BACK

E-Z SEVEN LANDSCAPING INC.

Dependable Service and Quality Work at Low Prices

Lawn Maintenance • Roof & Gutter Cleaning • Bark Mulch Bed Cleaning • Tree Service • Hedge Trimming ...and Much More!

281-808-0894





2014 OOCJA Christmas Lighting Awards

The following were selected for the 2014 Christmas Holiday Lighting Awards:

15419 Terrace Oaks
3102 Pebble Trace Drive

Congratulations to those selected for our 2014 Christmas Holiday Lighting Awards and to all of those who took the time and energy to decorate their homes and yards! It is always exciting each December to drive through our vast community enjoying the variety of lighting displays.

Many of our residents of Olde Oaks and Waterford Park extended this year's holiday celebration with extraordinary efforts decorating and lighting their homes during this season.

The enjoyment of this annual feat exceeds the pleasure of the homeowner. It is extended to all of the families of our community and to those who live nearby who traditionally load up the car with family, friends,

4226 Canterwood
3018 Baywood Park Drive (Waterford Park)

and a thermos of hot chocolate to enjoy the view of the beautiful wintry effects achieved by our residents to create a magical wonderland.

We hope that all of you will take the opportunity to drive through our wonderful community during the evening to enjoy the many homes of these residents who decorated with the spirit of Christmas to celebrate the holiday season. Christmas lights can be enjoyed only through January, so take the opportunity to reminisce holiday seasons past and the many more to come.

Merry Christmas and wishing you all a happy, healthy and prosperous 2015!

*Christine Potter and Mia Cordova
Beautification Committee*

Congratulations!



BE HEALTHY. BE STRONG. BELONG.

Discover the support you and your family need to learn, grow and thrive at our Open House event.

YMCA Open House
Saturday, January 10 • 10 am – 1 pm

Pay no joining fee when you become a member by January 12. Save up to \$125!

Learn more at ymcahouston.org.



Fran C.
Y Member



Community Garage Sale

MARCH 26, 27 & 28TH

March 26, 27, and 28

Our first garage sale of the year is scheduled for **March 26, 27 and 28**. Choose one day or all three days to participate.

We will need your name, address, email, phone number and a description of some of your offered items. This information will be kept private and will be used for our committee to make contact with you for this event and community related events. Residents who are participating are asked to contact Temple or forward their information to OldeOaksEditor@hotmail.com with the required information to be included in our handout/map of the event. All residents will be asked to purchase a balloon and tie it to their mailbox or stake in your front yard.

Marketing: Marketing will be handled by the Garage Sale Committee through online forums and submissions to local news sources. You may also help market your items by posting photos of items on Facebook "Beg, Barter, Buy and Sell Olde Oaks & Waterford Park" or on Nextdoor.com.

Buddy System: If you would like to participate in the event but do not have someone who will be assisting you, Temple can assist you in teaming up with a fellow resident to do a sale together.

Security at Your Garage Sale: Inviting complete strangers to your home has the potential to bring unwanted attention to your home and to yourself. While your garage sale is being conducted, keep all exterior doors locked at all times. Do not let strangers know your living situation and do not strangers into your home to use a phone or the restroom. If you have a garage door that leads directly into your home, lock that door throughout the sale.

Garage sale early-bird shoppers are not uncommon. Use the buddy system during the event and do not leave the garage unattended. Plan to stay with the garage sale throughout the day and prepare lunches so that there are no distractions that take you away from your goods. Position yourself where your neighbors can see you from the street as they drive by and always keep a cell phone with you.

If you do not plan to participate in the community sale, make sure that you keep your garage doors and doors locked to your property if you are home or away. Do not display anything that a criminal would be attracted to. Be watchful for your

YOU AND GOSSETT A/C MAKE A GREAT PAIR



Gossett Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.



****Residential Specialist****
 We Service All Makes and Models
 Ask about Instant Rebates
 No Interest Financing
 "Like Us" on Facebook for Special Discounts
\$10.00 OFF Heat Check
 with this ad.
 Serving the Spring Area since 1978
 Expect more from your independent Trane dealer.

PLEASE VISIT
www.gossettair.com
281-353-9595



TACL - A 343, ACCA, NATE Certified *It's Hard To Stop A Trane.*

Texas REAL ESTATE 
 pros

4560 FM 1960 W, #108 • Houston, Texas 77069

Your Area Resident Team



Michelle and William Schmults
 Broker Associate, CFS

281-895-5553
 cell: 281-701-4372 • wfschmults@yahoo.com

www.HoustonDreamHomes.com

neighbors who are and are not participating. If you have an uncomfortable experience or suspect criminal intent, report to contracted officers through our non-emergency phone number.

Whether you plan to participate or not, designating two events per year helps our community alleviate individual garage sales from being conducted and helps our community maintain security along with desired curb appeal from prohibited signage throughout the year. If you have questions, please email them to OldeOaksEditor@hotmail.com or call Temple at 281-580-9076.

***** REMINDER *****
 **2015 Assessment
due December 31**

The 2015 HOA assessment is \$575, unchanged from 2014. Invoices were mailed to owners of record in October. If you have not received the assessment invoice, contact ACMI. Avoid a late fee by ensuring your payment is received at the ACMI office by **December 31, 2014**. After January 31, 2015, unpaid assessments will be considered delinquent and then also subject to interest and collection fees.

There are several payment options:

- Check or money order for full amount.
- Multiple checks with no processing fee, if paid in full by **January 31, 2015**.
- Credit card or electronic check, as detailed on your invoice or on the ACMI website.
- If you will be unable to complete payment by the **January 31, 2015** deadline, please contact ACMI without delay to request a payment plan.

Note: Always include property address on checks or money orders.

ACMI Management Company • 281-251-2292
12603 Louetta Rd., Suite 101, Cypress, TX 77429
www.ACMIgmt.com • info@ACMIgmt.com

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Do you have exciting information to share? Do you have something for sale? Do you want your neighbors to attend an event or do you just want to share some news? This newsletter is yours, the community of Olde Oaks and Waterford Park. Reach out to each other and share important community information. Your participation enables a positive, strong community. We want to hear from you! Please submit suggestions and articles to "Olde Oaks Editor" via email or front porch delivery. Please do not drop in US mailbox. All submissions must be signed and dated.

Deadline for February newsletter is January 10.

Editor: *Barbara Smith*

Mail or hand deliver to 15714 Winding Moss

Email: OldeOaksEditor@hotmail.com

Send us your email to opt in for community announcements.



IT'S YOUR DESTINY

...SEE YOU IN 2015

SELL US YOUR CAR!

TEXASDIRECTAUTO.COM



ONE TANK TRIP

Events in Texas Backyard

January is full of neat things to do with your family, so get out your calendar, make your plans, and book your reservations. Here's to another month of One Tank Trips.

January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Space Center Houston: Lunch With an Astronaut

<http://spacecenter.org/attractions/lunch-with-an-astronaut>

1601 NASA Parkway, Houston, TX 77058

January 2 Jerry Ross January 23 John Blaha

January 9 Clay Anderson January 30 Jerry Ross

January 16 Tom Jones

Lunch requires a reservation. Space Center Houston is now proud to offer you and your family an extraordinary opportunity to spend time with a NASA astronaut. This casual event gives you the opportunity to hear first-hand stories from a NASA astronaut while enjoying a cosmic lunch prepared by our award-winning catering staff. As a special memento of your visit, you will receive a personalized lithograph from our guest astronaut. Ticket price also includes admission to Space Center Houston

where you can experience over 250 things to see and do, including a behind-the-scenes look at NASA on the Discount Tire NASA Tram Tour. Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis and must be purchased in advance. Lunch will begin at 12 p.m.

August 29 through March 22

The Houston Museum of Natural Science: *Sharks!*

www.hmns.org

5800 Caroline Street, Houston, TX 77030

Get to know sharks in a new interactive, informative live touch tank experience. See what it's like to get up close and personal with sharks at the live shark touch tank, track great white sharks swimming in the Gulf of Mexico in real time, and see what's happening with sharks all over the world through amazing conservation efforts led by top marine biologists. Sharks are not always given the credit they deserve, but that will all change when you experience *Sharks!* Walk through the exhibition Shark Cage with three-sided video wall at the beginning of the exhibition; visitors feel as if they are in a shark cage that is in the ocean. The Shark

PAIN, CRAMPING AND DISCOMFORT IN YOUR FREE VARICOSE & SPIDER VEINS SEMINAR

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2015 • 6-8 P.M.

Join Dr. Richard Lee, vascular surgeon, for a free seminar to learn about the causes, symptoms, who is at risk, treatments and prevention of varicose and spider veins.

Attendees will receive a free office consultation.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Register online at houstonmethodist.org/events or call 281.737.2500.

Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital
Conference Center - First Floor
18220 State Highway 249 • Houston, Texas 77070

Refreshments • Door Prizes

HOUSTON
Methodi
WILLOWBROOK HOS

Touch Tank Experience includes two shark touch tanks – low aquariums made specifically to give museum goers the opportunity to see small sharks up close.

January (Wednesday–Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.)

Three Dimensional Visions

<http://threedimensionalvisions.com>

17442 FM 2920, Tomball, TX 77377 • 281-734-0366

January through mid-February, our 30-minute Sunday Experience will be “Make a Heart.” You will choose the color and apply it, then help form the piece. The cost will be \$32 per person/piece/30-minute time slot. It takes about 30 minutes per person, and your creation is available for pickup starting the following Wednesday. You can select the time and date on the online calendar and pay for your ticket. Three Dimensional Visions enriches lives through artistic self-expression.

January 21 – January 25

Houston Auto Show

<http://nrgpark.com/events/auto-show/houston-auto-show-1>

NRG Park is located within the Inner Loop of the southern portion of Interstate Loop 610 between Kirby Street and Fannin Street.

See over 500 of the newest model year import and domestic vehicles, including several Texas debuts, alternative fuel/electric vehicles and concept cars at the Houston Auto Show. Tickets are \$12 for adults, and \$5 for children 6-12 years old. Children five and under are **free** when accompanied by an adult. Tickets may also be purchased the day of at the NRG Center box office. The box office opens 15 minutes prior to the show opening and closes one hour prior to the show closing. Parking rate is \$10 per space. Cash only. Parking rates are subject to change without notice.

Visit website for dates and times

The Aerodrome Ice Skating

www.aerodromes.com/publicskating.php

8220 Willow Place Dr. N, Houston, TX 77070 • 281-847-5283

The Aerodrome offers public sessions with over 1,000 pairs of skates available for rental. During the day, public sessions are bright and lively. During the evening sessions, the lights are dimmed, the music ranges from country to rock to jazz, coupled with a special effects lighting system that brings a party atmosphere to the Aerodrome.

R LEGS?

st
PITAL



Safety, Security, Streetlights!

Do you notice the streetlights in Olde Oaks? As darkness sets, streetlights turn on to provide visibility for motorists, pedestrians, dog walkers and children. Well-positioned, functioning and unobstructed streetlights promote safety and security throughout our community. Please help ensure streetlight effectiveness by checking your street for issues such as:

- **Non-functioning streetlights** – Report the pole number directly to Centerpoint Energy (1-800-332-7143 or online at <http://cnp.centerpointenergy.com/outage>).
- **Dark areas for additional streetlight consideration** – Inform ACMI Management (www.acmimgmt.com/contact.html).
- **Keeping your trees sufficiently trimmed around streetlights.** Where streetlights are situated on your property, it is your responsibility to trim trees so that illumination isn't obstructed. If trimming simply doesn't suffice, then cutting down certain trees may be a valid consideration (don't forget to follow Architectural Control guidelines).

As a community we are each responsible for helping to keep our neighborhood safe. Not only should we be on the lookout for suspicious activities and avoid careless habits which invite crime, but we should also take measures to promote a well-lit environment. In addition to streetlight awareness, for individual properties this means good lighting at porches, front yards, garage

entrances and backyards. Consider leaving front porch lights on throughout the dark hours and installing motion detector lighting at garage entrances and backyards.

Good lighting promotes safety, discourages mischief and deters criminal activity; it is something we can certainly all play a part in for a safer neighborhood. Do your part and encourage your neighbors to do theirs.

Nicholas Summerville,
OOCIA Director

BE SAFE – Break Down Your Boxes

Trash and Recycling Reminders

Do not let criminals know what Santa brought! Break down your boxes to make sure that your new valuables are not known. Trash is collected on **Mondays** and **Thursdays**. Recycling is collected on Thursdays. Please do not set out trash or recycling receptacles before 7 a.m. on Monday and Thursday mornings. Remember that we have “back door” trash service, but yard waste and recycling must be hauled to the curb. Heavy items are picked up on Thursdays.

Any combination of up to eight (8) bags or bundles of yard waste will be picked up at the curb each collection day. Branches (three inches in diameter and less) need to be bundled in four-foot lengths. No yard waste bag or bundle should weigh more than 40 pounds.

BASHANS PAINTING & HOME REPAIR

- Interior & Exterior Painting
- HardiPlank Replacement
- Sheetrock Repair
- Cabinet Painting
- Pressure Washing
- Fence Repair/Replacement
- Custom Staining
- Gutter Repair & Replacement
- Crown Molding
- Wood Replacement
- Interior Carpentry
- Wallpaper Removal & Texture
- Garage Floor Epoxy
- Roofing
- Faux Painting

**NO MONEY UP FRONT
PAYMENT PLANS AVAILABLE**

**20 Years Experience • References Available
FULLY INSURED**

Commercial/Residential
~ **FREE ESTIMATES** ~
BashansPainting@earthlink.net

281-347-6702
281-731-3383 cell



HARDIPLANK®



M.P.L. 19967 • Insured

RTM Plumbing

832-257-6038

- Gas/Sewer Lines
- Hot Water Heaters
- Faucets • Commodes
- Tubs

Area Resident

Mimi's Caring Angels

Let us lend you a helping hand.
Honest, Dependable, Responsible

Hospital Stay?
Need someone to stay with a family member?

- Daily Baths
- Olde Oaks Resident
- Available for Surrounding Neighborhoods

Debra Hunter-Shivers 15214 Ripplewind Lane
RN, LVN
Caregiver, Nurse's Aide, Companion, Private Sitter
281-253-0331
dannydebra2342@att.net

Need a Vacation Sitter?

RECYCLING GUIDELINES

PAPER

Yes, Please – Recycle It!

- Corrugated cardboard
- Magazines and catalogues
- Clean pizza, beer, and soda boxes
- Telephone books and paperback books
- Newspapers and circulars
- Paperboard (e.g., cereal/food boxes, detergent boxes, paper egg cartons)
- Office/school paper, fax paper (all colors)
- Tetrapak (paper dairy/juice cartons)
- Junk mail, including window envelopes

No, Thank You – Trash It!

- Waxed paper/cereal box liner
- Mixed metal and paper (stapled items)
- Food-contaminated boxes (cheesy pizza boxes)
- Diapers
- Food/seed bags
- Slick-coated food boxes
- Tissue paper or foil gift wrap
- Tyvek envelopes
- Hardback books

GLASS

Yes, Please – Recycle It!

- Clear, brown and green glass
- No, Thank You – Trash It!**
- Broken glass
- Mirror or window glass
- Glass plates
- Light bulbs
- Heat-resistant glass (e.g., Pyrex)
- Ceramics (i.e., dishware, ovenware, decorative items)

PLASTICS

Yes, Please – Recycle It!

- Any and all plastics with recycle symbols #1-7
- Thin plastics (e.g., grocery bags, dry cleaner bags, newspaper sleeves)

No, Thank You – Trash It!

- Plastics without a recycle symbol
- Pesticide, chemical, antifreeze or motor oil containers
- Toys
- Laundry baskets and unsanitary containers

METAL

Yes, Please – Recycle It!

- Bi-metallic cans (e.g., food and pet food)
- Aluminum cans, foil, pie tins, trays
- Jar lids

No, Thank You – Trash It!

- Paint/aerosol containers
- Pesticide/chemical containers
- Needles/syringes
- Oil filters and batteries

OTHER

No, Thank You – Trash It!

- Styrofoam
- Computer/electronics waste
- Medical waste/biohazard materials

clip and save



Jan Kopfler

Top 25 Agents by HBJ, 2009-2013
Million Dollar Producer
International President's Elite

Cell: 713.825.1247

Office: 281.378.1800

jkopfler@cbunited.com



Each office independently owned and operated

As we move into a new year, may it be full of happiness, good health and prosperity for all.

**NO ONE KNOWS THE NEIGHBORHOOD LIKE A NEIGHBOR!
HOMES FOR SALE IN OLDE OAKS ARE AT AN ALL TIME LOW!**

*Call me... I know the market...
I can get the job done!*



**IT'S A GREAT
TIME TO THINK
ABOUT A NEW
HOUSE FOR THE
NEW YEAR!**

THE TIME IS RIGHT TO SELL AND BUY!

I Am Here to Help You Be Market Ready!!

Serving All of Your Real Estate Needs With Trust and Integrity.

Cypress Creek Storm Sewer Repair Project

Project is scheduled to start early 2015 near Olde Oaks and Northgate Forest

The Harris County Flood Control District (HCFCD) and Harris County Precinct 4 (Precinct 4) are partnering on a maintenance repair project on Cypress Creek near the Olde Oaks and Northgate subdivisions, and the Northgate Forest Golf Course. The work includes the replacement of a failed 108-inch storm sewer outfall pipe that drains a section of Olde Oaks, a failed 36-inch storm sewer pipe that drains a section of Northgate Forest, and resulting erosion of the bank near the pipes. This erosion has exposed a third outfall pipe that serves the local wastewater treatment plant – that pipe will also be replaced as part of the project.

"Precinct 4 is proud to partner on this project that will restore proper drainage to the Northgate Forest and Olde Oaks subdivisions and repair the eroded creek bank," said Harris County Precinct 4 Commissioner R. Jack Cagle. "We share the Harris County Flood Control District's commitment to excellent service and safety."

Work is scheduled to start in early 2015 with the clearing of some trees and brush on a Precinct 4 storm sewer easement located at the east end of Ivy Falls Drive near the Ivy Falls/ Cedar Woods Place intersection. The clearing is necessary to allow construction equipment and crews to access the project site on Cypress Creek, which is adjacent to the Northgate Forest Golf Course.

The contractor will use heavy construction equipment to perform the work, and access to the work area will be via public right-of-way. HCFCD appreciates your patience and understanding through the duration of this project.

Project Work

Crews will remove and dispose of the existing failed storm sewer pipes and related failed structures, along with any rubble and debris. Then they will install new storm sewer outfall pipes to serve the neighborhoods and the wastewater treatment plant. Next, they will rebuild Cypress Creek's washed out slope and install concrete riprap along the toe of the slope to armor the new bank and protect the outfall pipes. When all construction activities are completed, HCFCD will reestablish vegetation on the new slope.

The project will address failed storm water infrastructure while preserving as much of the native trees and vegetation as possible. HCFCD is still working on plans for post-project tree planting activities and will share that information with the community as soon as it is available.

The project is not a flood damage reduction project, which is a project that would increase the storm water-carrying capacity of the creek. That type of project requires a higher level of research, planning and analysis of the entire watershed.

ELECTRICIAN



5 Year Warranty*
 100% Customer Satisfaction Guaranteed!

\$20 Off Any Service Call!

Not to be combined with any other discount or offer.

- ✓ Mount Flat Screens
- ✓ Generators
- ✓ Lighting
- ✓ Add Circuits
- ✓ Panel Replacement
- ✓ Cable/Phone

WIRED

Electrical Services

Residential & Commercial

281-897-0001

www.wiredes.com

24/7 Service
Family Owned & Operated

Master #100394
TECL #22809

Financing Available




Family Owned and Operated Since 1982

Leak Detection

Camera Inspection

Gas Tests/Repairs

Kitchen & Bath Fixtures

Shower Pan Testing & Repairs

Water Heater Repairs or Replacement

Repair or Replace: Disposals, Faucets, Sinks, Toilets, Tubs, and Pipes in walls or attics

Senior Discount **281-537-5697** Mastercard / Visa

Interior & Exterior



Over 30 Years Experience

281-345-9800 Cell: 281-650-2825

custompainting1999@sbcglobal.net

www.custompaintinghouston.com

Carpentry
Refinish/Stain
HardiPlank
Pressure Washing
Sheetrock/Texture
Crown Molding

MEMBER Greater Houston




FREE Estimates

FAMILY OWNED / BONDED & INSURED / REFERENCES

Leverage Your Donations!

Are you aware of the “company-match” benefit certain companies offer for employee donations to eligible nonprofit organizations and certain accredited schools? If you are fortunate enough to be an employee of such a company then a little paperwork can easily magnify the value of your donation of money and/or time. Be aware that some companies have a grace period into mid-January 2015 for registering your 2014 qualified donations! Please take advantage of this wonderful benefit by checking into the details with your company.

From time to time, certain companies may sponsor a “challenge” at a particular nonprofit whereby any monetary donation during a specific time period will be matched. For example: Bank of America added \$2 for every \$1 donation on www.houstonfoodbank.org with their “Give a Meal” drive, which ended on December 31, 2014. Such “challenges” are a great opportunity for anyone to leverage their donation. And for those fortunate employees of “company-match” employers, this extra attention to detail and timing can easily triple the impact of their original monetary donation.

Mia Cordova

Though it is not increasing Cypress Creek’s capacity, the repair work will not cause any adverse impacts or worsen the flow of storm water in Cypress Creek.

HCFCFCD has launched an email list for interested parties to obtain regular updates, ask specific questions and voice concerns. Residents can sign up for those updates by contacting Kim Jackson, HCFCFCD Communications Department Manager, at Kimberlye.jackson@hcfcd.org. HCFCFCD will also send a construction advisory to Olde Oaks and Northgate residents in advance of clearing and construction activities.

The Harris County Flood Control District is committed to keeping residents informed about flood damage reduction studies, projects and maintenance efforts on bayous, creeks and ditches throughout Harris County.

We anticipate having an HCFCFCD representative at this month’s OOCIA board meeting on **January 14** to provide project details and answer your questions. Please visit www.oocia.org for article with map and links.

DISCOVER NORTHGATE COUNTRY CLUB

Experience the amazing amenities, camaraderie, and family-friendly atmosphere of Northgate Country Club—just minutes away from Olde Oaks!

Attend Northgate’s Open House to discover all that sets our private club apart, and learn how you can join with amazing savings!

Join by **January 31st, 2015**, with a friend, colleague, or neighbor and split one initiation fee. That’s a 50% savings!

Northgate Country Club - Open House
Saturday, January 24th, 2015
12 p.m - 2 p.m.

To RSVP, or learn more about membership, contact Brad Kuykendall, Director of Membership Sales & Marketing, at (281) 440-4006 or brad@northgatecountryclub.com.



ADVERTISING INFORMATION

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.

Published by CHAMPIONS PRINTING & PUBLISHING, INC.
6608 FM 1960 W. Suite G, Houston, TX. 77069
281-583-7661 Fax 281-583-2669
© 2015-ALL RIGHTS RESERVED

DISCLAIMER: All articles, information, website addresses and cartoons in this newsletter express the opinions of their authors and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of Champions Printing & Publishing, Inc. or its employees. Champions Printing & Publishing, Inc. is not responsible for the accuracy of any facts stated in articles, information, website addresses and cartoons submitted by others.

The editor and/or governing entity of this publication has approved the use of all articles and information within this publication. Champions Printing & Publishing, Inc., is not responsible for any of the content within this publication and disclaims and denies any and all liability therefor.

The publisher assumes no responsibility for the advertising content within this publication. All warranties, representations, claims, or endorsements made in the advertising content are solely that of the advertiser and any such claims or demands regarding its content must be taken up with and are the sole responsibility of the advertiser. The publisher retains the exclusive rights to the acceptance or denial of all advertising copy.

The publisher assumes no liability with regard to its advertisers for misprints or failure to place advertising in this publication except for the actual cost of such advertising.

Although every effort is taken to avoid mistakes and/or misprints in this publication, the publisher assumes no responsibility for any errors of information or typographical mistakes, except as limited to the cost of advertising as stated above or in the case of misinformation, a printed retraction/correction.

Under no circumstances shall the publisher be held liable for incidental or consequential damages, inconvenience, loss of business or services, or any other liabilities from failure to publish, or from failure to publish in a timely manner, except as limited to the liabilities stated above.

The publisher is not liable for ANY DAMAGES for failure of the Post Office or subdivision representatives to deliver the newsletter in a timely manner, so long as the publisher has delivered the newsletters to said delivery point by the contracted date.

Piney Woods Wildlife Society

Piney Woods Wildlife Society is a local bird watching club that has meetings on the third Tuesday of each month (except summer months) at 6:30 p.m. The meetings include some snacks plus a presentation by a local person about their bird- or nature-related experience. The meetings are held at the new Big Stone Lodge at Dennis Johnston Park, located at 709 Riley Fuzzel Road just east of Old Town Spring. If you are interested in birds, please feel free to come out to the PWWS meetings.

Submitted by *Claire Moore, Texas Master Naturalist*

CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale: Like new electric scooter chair, regular price \$3,600, sale price \$1,800, includes charger, call: 501-514-3524.

CLASSIFIED POLICY: *Don't forget that the classifieds are FREE to all Olde Oaks residents. Use this section to buy and sell personal items. All we ask is that no adult-owned business ads be turned in, such as real estate, in-home operated businesses or fee-based services. If you'd like to advertise your adult-owned business and support our newsletter, call Champions Printing & Publishing, Inc. at 281-583-7661. The editor retains exclusive right to accept or reject any classified deemed unfit. Your classified will run for one month. If you want to run it for a longer period of time, please resubmit your ad by the newsletter deadline for each month you'd like it to appear.*

SPRING FAMILY CLINIC COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL CARE

Board Certified Family Physicians

- Walk-Ins Welcome
- Accepting New Patients - Adults & Children
- Accepting Most Insurances
- Complete Bloodwork, Hypertension, Diabetes
- Complete Physicals • Well Woman Exams
- Complete Cardiology Care
- Chronic Allergies • Sinus & Ear Infections
- Low Back and Neck Pain • Headaches
- Sports, Spine and Pain Specialists
- Medical Weight Loss, Sleep Studies



Dr. Gorrela

Monday - Friday
8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Open Saturday

16116 Stuebner Airline, Suite 9, Spring, TX 77379
6225 FM 2920, Suite 100, Spring, Texas 77379

281-257-5977 for both locations

Also offering **24-hour**
Emergency Room service
with full lab and
open MRI services
at FM 2920 location
No Appointment Required



www.springmedicalcenter.com

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD HANDIMAN

FREE ESTIMATES!

NO JOB TOO SMALL

Carpentry • Painting • Texture
Roofs • Sheetrock • Fences
Doors • Siding • Honey Do's

Area Resident

All General House Repairs.

281-580-5060

Lb.reid@comcast.net

Live Again Life Coaching

Joe McInerney, CPLC
281-508-1314

Denise McInerney, CPLC
281-508-8833

Welcome to

Live Again Life Coaching
helping you find your passion for life!

Satisfying relationships

Healthier lifestyle

Clarity, answers and solutions

You can change your life now!

visit our website:

www.liveagain.today



Calling All Model Railroaders and Railfans!!



PETTICOAT JUNCTION
Railroad Fellowship

If you are a model railroader or just have an interest in trains and railroading, you are invited to attend the monthly meeting of the Petticoat Junction Railroad Fellowship group.



This is a chance for people with a common interest in trains, model trains (all gauges), real trains or any other facet of railroading to get together and visit. This is not a club, no officers or dues, just folks – both men and women – who like trains and like to eat barbeque. Our meetings are held the first Friday of each month at the Spring Creek Barbeque location at 4220 west FM 1960.

The meetings usually begin around 6 p.m. and last until everyone goes home. You buy your own meals and we gather in the private dining room at Spring Creek. We have some very talented model railroaders in our area, and this is a chance to meet them and see some of the great modeling projects they have completed.

You are cordially invited to attend our next meeting, have some great food and make some new friends with an interest in trains.

Society for the Advancement of *Floral Design*

The Society for the Advancement of Floral Design (SAFD) will hold its January meeting on **Tuesday, January 20** at the Cypress Creek Christian Community Center (The Forum) located at 6823 Cypresswood Drive, Spring, Texas 77379. Refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting to start promptly at 7 p.m.

SAFD will welcome Certified Floral Designer Alan Masters. Mr. Masters, who has been designing floral arrangements for 30 years, will present “A Compendium of Caliginous Curiosities!” His program will be filled with up-cycles and reinventions. Based on a growing trend of steampunk, we will learn to repurpose some of those things that all of us have lying around the house.

For further information, please contact Linda Jackson at 832-454-0330 or email lindamariej92@yahoo.com.

You're Invited to Join Us for the Day!

Need time to run errands? Kids want a FUN place to play? Please enjoy this COMPLIMENTARY Day Pass* from all of us at Linder Young Learners Academy.

Stop by, with this ad, or give us a call to schedule your day of play, fun and learning!

A FREE Day of LEARNING & FUN!

Linder Young Learners Academy is a state of the art full service pre-school for children ages 6 weeks to Pre K and after school programs.

Linder Young Learners Academy
14600 Gladebrook Drive
Houston, TX 77068 - 281.537.9090
**Limit one Day Pass per family*



theyounglearners.com



OLDE OAKS | 15015 Dawnbrook Drive
\$198,000 / MLS# 39711291 / 2924 SqFt
4/2.1/3, Updated kitchen, granite and
stainless steel appliances / Open Concept



OLDE OAKS | 15214 T C Jeter
\$450,000 / MLS# 20036267 / 5586 SqFt
4/4.2/3, 2 lots, pool, spa, rock waterfall & slide /
Updated island kitchen

Linda Beck...
Neighborhood Specialist
for Over 14 Years!
Specializing in Olde Oaks,
Waterford Park and Northgate Forest!



*I'm pleased to announce that
I have been selected to market
these fine homes.*

*Please contact me today if you
are interested in buying or
selling your home.*



Linda Beck
REALTOR®

281.433.2087
lbeck@garygreene.com
www.LindaBeck.com



NORTHGATE FOREST | 2719 S Southern Oaks
\$520,000 / MLS# 66304691 / 4058 SqFt
Secluded w/ Golf course views / 23ft barreled ceiling,
floating staircase / quality finishes



WATERFORD PARK | 15314 Beecham Dr
\$290,000 / MLS# 39505384 / 3760 SqFt
4/5 Beds + 4 full baths / Immaculate & versatile home /
3 car garage / can be 2nd bed down / Private backyard



*Thank you for my continued success.
Please contact me for all your real estate needs in 2015!*

Linda Beck

REALTOR®
Olde Oaks & Waterford Park Specialist

281.433.2087
lbeck@garygreene.com
www.LindaBeck.com



**GARY
GREENE**

Linda's 2014 Sold homes:

- 4015 Brightwood Dr - SOLD!
- 16511 Southern Oaks Dr - SOLD!
- 3306 Chapel Bend Dr - SOLD!
- 3002 Beecham Circle - SOLD!
- 16811 Southern Oaks Dr - SOLD!
- 3122 Canyon Oak Ct - SOLD!
- 3106 Rustling Moss Dr - SOLD!
- 3514 Creekbriar - SOLD!
- 15411 Crescent Oaks Ct - SOLD!
- 15619 Pebble Bend Dr - SOLD!
- 3702 Woodbriar - SOLD!
- 3106 Baywood Park Dr - SOLD!
- 15202 Ripplewind Ln - SOLD!
- 3810 Highpines Dr - SOLD!

LINDA BECK...TAKING THE TIME TO DO IT BETTER!