



## Waterford Park

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

OLDE OAKS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

### NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS

Next OOCIA Monthly  
Open Board Meeting  
**Tuesday, November 19**  
at 6:45 p.m.

**Oak Creek Village Clubhouse**  
3906 Gladeridge Drive

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**November 3**  
Daylight Saving Time Ends

**November 5**  
**ELECTION DAY**  
*Your Vote Counts!*

**November 11**  
Veterans Day Observed

**November 25-29**  
SISD School Holidays

**November 28**  
Thanksgiving Day

### DECEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

November 9

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### *A Season for Thanks and Giving*

**A Season for Thanks:** November is my favorite month. In Houston, the air becomes a bit less humid, mosquito hordes are beginning to recede and some days my allergies are “under control.” I especially enjoy Thanksgiving Day: in my humble opinion, the very best holiday we Americans celebrate. So admittedly, I love to cook and love to eat the traditional meal. Every year I drag out the same old recipes for turkey, old fashioned bread stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy. It’s pretty mundane stuff – not your “Martha Stewart” what a lovely table setting sort of affair ... LOL. My family and friends who celebrate with us indulge me with their encouragement and compliments for a dinner well cooked. We are blessed to be together, to be happy most of the time, and to enjoy the security and comforts of living in a community like Olde Oaks and Waterford Park. I am thankful to have you as my neighbor.

**A Season for Giving:** At this time of year and throughout the December holidays, we are frequently reminded of those who are less fortunate and must rely on the kindness of strangers. So, here are a couple of local programs for your thoughtful consideration.

- Today, there are approximately 4,143 homeless individuals living in the five surrounding counties of Pasadena, Harris, Fort Bend, Houston, and Montgomery. The Coalition for the Homeless offers many opportunities for volunteering this season to help. [www.homelesshouston.org/how-to-be-the-key-this-holiday-season/](http://www.homelesshouston.org/how-to-be-the-key-this-holiday-season/)
- Feeding America is a nationwide network of programs that secure and deliver food to those who would otherwise go unfed. The Houston Food Bank is a designated partner in this effort and welcomes volunteers, donations and local opportunities to provide meals to the hungry and education about their services in the community. [www.houstonfoodbank.org/ways-to-give/give-time/volunteerathfb/](http://www.houstonfoodbank.org/ways-to-give/give-time/volunteerathfb/)

*May you have a wonderful November  
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Bammel Utility District Office..... 281-376-8802  
www.wdmtexas.com/districts-served/bammel-utility-district  
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3904 Gladeridge (clubhouse)

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Sign up for "Alerts" posted for our community at [www.nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com).

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## BOOK CLUB “Footnotes”

Our last book club meeting of 2019 will be on **November 19**, the **third** Tuesday, because of Thanksgiving in the fourth week. We will meet at the home of Carol Bright with Laura Johnson as discussion leader for the popular book, *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. We will also choose books for January through May 2020, so it will be a busy meeting.

Delia Owens has written this #1 *New York Times* bestseller and first novel in 2018. Previously she had co-authored three internationally bestselling non-fiction books about her life as a wildlife scientist in Africa. She holds a B.S. in zoology from the University of Georgia and a Ph.D. in animal behavior from the University of California-Davis. She has also won the Burroughs Award for Nature Writing.

Her nature writing talent is most evident in this coming-of-age novel with beautiful and realistic descriptions of the North Carolina marshy coastal area. Kya Clark is a young “marsh girl” who survives alone for years after her mother, then her siblings, and finally her father all leave her for puzzling reasons. She finds friends in nature, but then two young men from the nearby town become intrigued by her. From the book jacket this is “a surprising tale of possible murder. Owens reminds us that we are forever shaped by the children we once were, and that we are all subject to the beautiful and violent secrets that nature keeps.”

To join us or for further information about the Book Club, contact Kathy Hall, Coordinator, 281-569-4967.

## Be a Community Volunteer!

Your Olde Oaks/Waterford Park community committees need your leadership skills to organize activities or just be there to help get the job done. Some committees are focused on serious topics – Finance, Nominations, and Governing Documents – while others are more social in nature – Christmas Holiday Décor, Community Beautification, and Community Events.

Most committee participation only requires participation at certain times of the year, or perhaps quarterly or annually. Getting involved helps everyone enjoy our community’s potential benefits and provides you, the volunteer, with a way to connect with others in the neighborhood. **We really need your help!**

For more information go to [www.occia.org](http://www.occia.org) – or contact any of our current Board Members (listed on pg. 2)

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# New Countywide Voting Centers in Harris County, TX

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On **Tuesday, November 5**, Harris County voters are encouraged to cast their votes on several important initiatives including 10 Constitutional Amendments. This November, you can vote at any location in Harris County during Early Voting and on Election Day. Find a location near you at [HarrisVotes.com](http://HarrisVotes.com) or text VOTE to 1-833-937-0700.

## Countywide Voting Centers

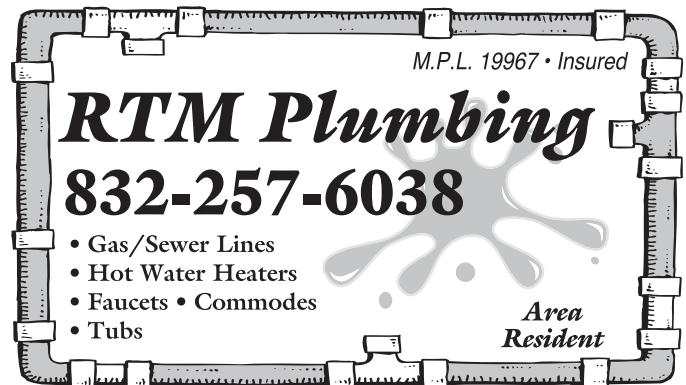
### What are they and how do they work?

Election Day vote centers (EDVC) can be precinct-based or non-precinct based locations for voting, depending on the county plan.

- All polling locations are open to all eligible voters in Harris County.
- All locations are located based on population density.
- Prioritization is on convenience for the voter.
- Vote at your neighborhood precinct location or where you work, shop or go to school.
- Locations can be any existing precinct location, large or small.
- Recommended plan: Leave all Election Day polling locations open including some Early Voting locations as well.

### Why are EDVCs better?

- Increases voter convenience and satisfaction
- Continuation of the same successful style of voting as during early vote
- Solves the confusion so many voters have about where their assigned location is on Election Day
- Reduces the costs of administering an election over time
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## Kinsmen Lutheran Church Invites the Community to a Thanksgiving Feast

For the 10th year, Kinsmen Lutheran Church will host a free Community Thanksgiving Feast on Thanksgiving Day, **November 28**.

All are welcome to this free event, which centers around a delicious meal of turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet potato casserole, green bean casserole, corn, cranberries, rolls and pie.

"This meal is for everyone – young, old, singles, families, neighbors and friends," said the Rev. Dr. Beth Warpmaecker, senior pastor of Kinsmen Lutheran Church. "As a church, we consider this community to be part of our extended family. So we want to warmly welcome everyone in, gather around the table, and celebrate together."

In preparation for the holiday, a Thanksgiving Eve worship service will be held at 7 p.m. on **Wednesday, November 27** at the church, 12100 Champion Forest Drive, Houston 77066.

Thanksgiving Day begins bright and early with the 8th Annual Run for Your Turkey 5K/10K walk or run. The run starts at 8 a.m. Thanksgiving Day at the church, winds through the tree-lined neighborhood of Greenwood Forest, then brings participants back to Kinsmen to cross the finish line.

Registration for the 5K/10K walk or run is \$30 through **November 27**, or \$40 on the day of the race. Proceeds from the event help fund the Thanksgiving Feast. To register, please visit [www.kinsmenlutheran.org](http://www.kinsmenlutheran.org).

Then it's time for the big Thanksgiving Feast, which will be served from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day at Kinsmen. Along with great food and conversation there will be other traditions as well – including crafts and moonwalks for the kids. Reservations are not needed. Last year more than 700 people enjoyed the day.

Kinsmen Lutheran Church is a congregation that strives to be rooted in faith and relevant to life. For more information, please visit [www.KinsmenLutheran.org](http://www.KinsmenLutheran.org) or call 281-444-3126.

## Register for the Northwest Flyers Kids' Track Club 2020 Season

Ready, set, go! Calling all youth ages six to 18! Join the Northwest Flyers Youth Track Club for its 33rd anniversary season by attending a free team registration/orientation breakfast on **Saturday, February 1, 2020**. The breakfast starts promptly at 8:30 a.m. at the Cypress Creek Christian Community Center Forum, 6823 Cypresswood Drive, Spring 77379.



This event is an opportunity for you to learn about the team, and to meet the Northwest Flyers coaches, staff, and other new and returning athletes. The event will be highlighted by a special presentation from a member of the USA Track and Field Olympic organization (USATF). All athletes and parents who wish to join the Northwest Flyers must attend the orientation before registering.

The Northwest Flyers Track Club is a member of USA Track & Field (USATF) and offers a full program of sanctioned "track" events such as sprints, hurdles, middle distance, distance and relays, and "field" events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, pole vault, shot put, discus and javelin.

For additional information on the Northwest Flyers Track Club, please visit [www.northwestflyers.org](http://www.northwestflyers.org), contact [linette.roach@sbcglobal.net](mailto:linette.roach@sbcglobal.net), or "Like" the club on Facebook.



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Wednesdays at 10 a.m. .... Senior Game Morning  
Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. .... Toast and Jammies Bedtime Stories  
November 2 at 2 p.m. ... North Houston Space Society Meeting  
November 4 at 7 p.m. .... Friends of the Library Board Meeting  
November 7 at 4:30 p.m. .... Teen Game Night  
November 12 at 7 p.m. .... Evening Book Club  
November 18 at 7 p.m. .... Great Books Book Club  
November 20 at 5 p.m. .... Wizards Unite Battle  
November 21 and 22 at 2 p.m. .... Afternoon Book Club  
November 23 at 2 p.m. ... Native American Heritage Story Time

The library will be closed November 28-30 for Thanksgiving!

**\*\*For full list of events, visit [hcpl.net/events](http://hcpl.net/events)\*\***

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