

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

December in Florida is a wonderful time because you don't have to shovel snow. I hope that you all have a Blessed Christmas as we celebrate the 2019<sup>th</sup> Birthday Anniversary of Jesus. I also wish you a Happy New Year.

So many nice things have been planned for the Holidays in Oaks Royal III: The Golf Cart and Bicycle Parade, Cookie Exchange, Pot Luck and Gift Exchange, Christmas Dinner and New Year's Eve Party. Also, the regular schedule of events that happen every month will take place. I hope that you will take advantage of the events that are planned.

We look forward to seeing friends and neighbors still arriving to Oaks Royal III. We originally started coming in January and went home in April. We are now six-month residents and are happy that we made the choice to buy in OR III.

Jack Horner

## **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

I can't believe it is December already!!! Where did the year go!!! 2020 (isn't that a TV show?) is right around the corner...I do believe the older you get the faster time flies!!!

December is very busy so here goes:

Sunday Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>.....Birthdays/Anniversaries at 6 p.m. - come for cake and ice cream and socialize.

Monday Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>.....Association Meeting at 7 p.m. - these are very important, so please come!!

Monday Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>.....Women's Club meeting at 6 p.m.

Thursday Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>..... Pot Luck and Gift Exchange at 5 p.m.

Friday Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>.....Christmas Golf Cart Parade at 5:30 p.m. with hot chocolate, a Cookie Exchange and Sing-Along immediately following at the Clubhouse. Clarence and Kathy Herman will be providing the music with a special addition to be added this year. Oaks Royal I and II are invited to participate also. Come for an evening of fun and laughter!

Tuesday Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>..... .Christmas Eve Luminaries...Please notify Janet Sylvester if you will not be home, and if you have candle holders from previous years, please return them to her or the Clubhouse...this is to cut down on expenses...Thank you for your cooperation.

**Wednesday Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>.....MERRY CHRISTMAS!!! Dinner plans are yet to be determined and will be announced when finalized.**

**Tuesday Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.....HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! Party starts at 7:30 and music provided by Clarence and Kathy starts at 8:00. BYOB and a snack to share...hats and noise makers will be provided. Come and eat, dance and be merry and usher in the New Year with friends!!!**

**Sharon Pollard**

## **CRAFT FAIR**

**Our Annual Oaks Royal 3 Craft Fair & Bake Sale  
Saturday, December 14th, Time: 9:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.**

**The signup sheet for the bake sale you will find on the bulletin board. Hope to see you all there. We have some new vendors this year. Looking forward to another great event. Just to give you an idea what will be here that day.**

**There will be pottery, table top Christmas trees, a gal with lots of nautical sea shore ornaments and such, handmade soaps, bow makers, toaster tongs, soap decks, trivets, tee shirts and sweatshirts, mesh wreaths, aprons, adult bibs, jewelry made from paper, decorated glass bottles with lights inside, handmade purses, hand painted wooden signs, etc. If I kept going I could fill a whole page or more with everything being sold. You will just have to come see for yourselves.**

**Come on in and check it out. We have a fun group of vendors; some have been with us from the start and we have some new vendors this season too.**

**Janet Sylvester**

## **DECLARATIONS UPDATE:**

**The Declarations Committee and the Board of Directors have reviewed the changes suggested by our Attorney Robert Todd, who is recommending updates to bring us in line with current state statutes and laws. Changes include protecting us from corporations buying up properties for sale here in OR III. Following the Board's final review, a letter was sent to Attorney Todd to consider a few minor changes made by the Board.**

**Once finalized, two informal informational meetings will be held to share the proposed changes. Timing of these meetings will depend on how soon we hear back from Attorney Todd. It is expected these meetings will be in January. Formal voting would then take place at the February Association meeting. Attorney Todd has been invited to attend that meeting to answer questions from homeowners.**

**As chairman, I would like to thank my Committee members for their dedication to getting these updates reviewed, prepared and to the Board for their approval. Members are Shirley Finefrock, Ann Parks, Pam Champeau and Rebecca Enck. Thank you, each and every one for your willingness to server.**

## **NOMINATING COMMITTEE:**

The three director positions being vacated at the end of 2019 are president, hospitality and clubhouse. Herb Schultz and Ann Parks have agreed to place their names on the ballot. Therefore, there is a need for at least one more person to agree to run, Sally Lapetina has one year left as Treasurer and has offered to sit with anyone who would be interested in running for this position to show them what this position entails.

Nominating Committee members are Louise Harmer, Clair Marquart and Kathy Swett. Please see or call any of these members if you are interested in supporting your community by becoming involved with the operations of Oaks Royal III.

Kathy Swett, Vice-President

## **COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE:**

The Board unanimously voted to continue with the Compliance Committee in 2020. Kathy Swett has volunteered to meet with interested homeowners who are willing to review the Declarations and By-laws to set guidelines to follow and determine how compliance should be conducted and enforced. Once completed and approved by the Board, they will be shared with all homeowners.

Anyone interested in working on (or have thoughts about) this project is asked to contact Kathy.

Jack Horner, President

## **HELP WANTED:**

These jobs are high paying positions starting at \$0.00 and ending at \$0.00. But they have a lot of benefits by having people say thank you and feeling good that you are helping the Community be a great place to live.

**Board Member:** One vacancy to fill; contact Kathy Swett for more information.

**Newsletter Editor:** This is a very fulfilling position, and it is to put out a Newsletter for the Community from November through April. People will submit articles to you and you copy them into the Newsletter and email them out to our email lists. You have to print about 30 Newsletters for residents that do not have computers and have them in the Clubhouse for pick-up. See Jack Horner about this position.

**Shuffle Board Manager:** Make a sheet for people to sign up to play. We can handle eight teams of two and have a meeting to see what is the best day and time for them to play. Arrange a substitute list if someone is going to be unable to play. Hopefully we can arrange for a Championship game with Oaks Royal 1 & 2. Also encourage residents to use the courts at anytime that they are not being used for competitive play. See Paul Grizenko about this position.

**Compliance Committee:** We need three residents to see Kathy Swett and say they will be on the Committee. This is an important committee, as it helps to keep the value of our homes up, if there are neighbors that don't keep their property up. See Kathy Swett about this position.

## **WOMEN'S GROUP:**

This group meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at the clubhouse at 6:00 PM. Any OR III woman is welcome to join us to meet our goals to provide assistance to OR III residents in need, be philanthropic to the Zephyrhills community at large when able, and consider an annual donation to an OR III project when funds are available. This is accomplished by raising money through annual events.

Activities currently underway are the Annual OR III Craft Fair and Bake Sale (December 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-1:00), OR III sponsored tree at Advent Health Zephyrhills annual tree display, sale of RADA knife products, welcome baskets for new owners, provide a casserole for Thomas Promise's annual Christmas dinner for those in need, \$200 worth of items for pre-teen to teenage kids via Toys for Tots, and luminaries used for our community-wide celebration Christmas Eve.

Women interested may join us Monday, 12/2 and 12/9 at 9:00 AM to work on items to use for decorating the tree for Advent Health and to work on items to sell at the OR III table at our craft fair. At that time plans will be made to determine what craft projects people would be interested in doing.

## **RADA KNIVES:**

The Women's Group will have the following knives available for sale during the month of December: Paring knives, peelers, tomato knives, chef's knives (small and large), Granny paring knives and sharpeners. Catalogs will also be available if there are items other than those mentioned that people would be interested in ordering for Christmas gifts. These knives are of excellent quality at a reasonable price and made here in the USA.

## **BIBLE STUDY:**

Bible Study will start Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM. We have three lessons left in our book "Seven Letters to Seven Churches". If you would like to attend, I have a few books left and can make copies for you. There will be a sign-up sheet for people who want to come to the next session that will start December 26<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up by December 15<sup>th</sup> so I will know how many books to order.

Jack Horner

## **BINGO:**

Regular Bingo meets on Tuesday evening at 6:30 PM. Four cards for a dollar and a quarter per card for "Speedy Bingo". You are requested not to bring bills larger than a dollar as the prizes are usually \$3.00 or \$4.00.

Penny Bingo meets on Friday at 12:30 PM. You play with 10 cards for 12 games. You need to bring \$1.00 in pennies and \$.40 in dimes for the 2 cover-all card games.

**DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:**

1	Ian Bernard	17	Rodha Safa
2	Vicki Croghan	18	James Clem
2	Janet Sylvester	19	Walt Sweeney
5	Janice Glotzbach	21	Elizabeth Eisenhower
5	Joyce Zikeli	22	Sally Schneider
7	Karen Wightman	22	Gloria Hettler
8	James O'Connor	24	Judy Simmons
8	Claire Hilt	25	Richard Sylvester
10	Judy Shiner	25	Buck Smith
11	Patricia Austin	26	Chuck Wood
11	Tom Gearhart	30	Lideth Brueggemann
13	Dale Hammond	31	Jeannette Cook
14	Carol Carmichael		
16	Levi Violette		

**DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:**

3	Harley & Ann Parks	19	Stephen & Deborah Weadick
5	Jerry & Julie Nash	29	John & Wanda Snell
13	Jean & Carolyn Pardy		

**RECYCLE DAYS ARE EVERY WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH.**

**OUR DAYS FOR TRASH PICKUP ARE MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS.**

## Oaks Royal III Activities for December, 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Board Meeting 3:30 pm Birthdays and Anniversaries Ice Cream & Cake 6:00 pm	Trash Women's Group 9:00 am  Association Meeting 7 pm	Bowling 12:15 pm  Bingo 6:30 pm	Recycle Coffee & Donuts 8:30 am  Dominoes 6:30 pm	Trash Bible Study 10:30 am  Hand & Foot Cribbage 6:30 pm	Pinochle & Kings Corners 6:30 pm	
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	Trash  Women's Group Meeting 6:00 pm	Bowling 12:15 pm Bingo 6:30 pm	Recycle Coffee & Donuts 8:30 am  Dominoes 6:30 pm	Trash Bible Study 10:30 am  Pot Luck & Gift Exchange 5 pm  Hand & Foot Cribbage 6:30 pm	EPROC 9 am Penny Bingo 12:30 pm  Golf Cart & Bicycle Parade & Cookie Exchange 5:30 pm	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Trash	Christmas Eve Bowling 12:15 pm  Luminaries 5:00 pm	Christmas  Christmas Day Dinner 1:30 pm	Boxing Day Canada Trash Bible Study 10:30 am Hand & Foot Cribbage 6:30 pm	Penny Bingo 12:30 pm  Pinochle Kings Corners 6:30 pm	
29	30	31	January 1	January 2	January 3	
	Trash	New Year's Eve  New Year's Eve Party 7:30 pm	Recycle Coffee & Donuts 8:30 am  Dominoes 6:30 pm	Trash Bible Study 10:30 am  Hand & Foot Cribbage 6:30 pm	Penny Bingo 12:30 pm  Pinochle Kings Corners 6:30 pm	
Be sure to sign-up on the Bulletin Board	at the Club House for all events					