
OR3 Newsletter February 2022

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Oaks Royal 3 Newsletter - February 2022

OFFICER AND DIRECTOR REPORTS

PRESIDENT - Ann Parks

Wow! What a month January was. The park was full of activities that helps make Oaks Royal 3 a special place to live. I would like to thank those who were involved:

- Harry Whitaker, Maintenance Director and the ground crew for cleaning up the ponds and the creek it looks absolutely awesome when you come into our park now.

- Sharon Pollard, Hospitality Director and helpers for the awesome soup and salad dinner. The clubhouse was filled with aroma and laughter.

If you haven't been to their awesome breakfast yet, the Men's Club is serving every other Saturday, you need to come out and join. You won't be sorry!

The Women's Group is in full swing to get their activities started for the rest of the season. Please come and join. You won't be sorry, we always have a good time!

VICE PRESIDENT - Mark St. Pierre

Not much to report at this time other than all three ballot questions have passed. I should have the final tally just before the next HOA meeting.

I would like to express my thanks and most sincere appreciation for what Kathy Swett has done for this community while serving as our Vice President.

SOCIAL DIRECTOR - Sharon Pollard

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the Fifth Annual Soup

and Salad....90 guests enjoyed a delicious meal.....Kathy Swett and her women did an amazing job on the soups..... and the salad bar and the cakes (thank you Mary Ellen) were the best I have ever seen and tasted.... Everything was yummy!!!

February Activities:

Wednesday Feb. 2nd” Heart Disease” and Resuscitation will be presented at Coffee Hour by Advent Health.... Please come! I will also be asking for help for the yard sale and sloppy joe luncheon!!

Sunday Feb. 6thBoard meeting at 4 p.m.
Birthdays and Anniversaries at
6 p.m.

Monday Feb. 7thAssociation Meeting at 7 p.m.....Memorial Service for 2021 deceased residents.

Wednesday Feb. 9thBring donated yard sale items to the clubhouse. Help is needed to re-arrange tables and chairs and to sort donated items. Let us know if you need something picked up for the sale.

Thursday Feb. 10thSorting and pricing items at clubhouse. Please help!!

Friday Feb. 11thSorting and pricing.....Bring bake sale items to clubhouse between 2-4 p.m.

Saturday Feb. 12thYARD SALE – BAKE SALE AND SLOPPY JOE LUNCHEON from 8 a.m.(may be earlier if people are at the door at 7:30) to 1 p.m. Come and support the Social Club.

Monday Feb. 14thBeef Cards at 6 p.m.

Thursday Feb. 17thPOTLUCK at 5 p.m. bring your own table service and a dish to share.

Monday Feb. 21stWomen's Club meeting at 6 p.m.

Monday Feb. 28thBeef Cards at 6 p.m.

Please join us for Coffee and Donuts every Wednesday morning at 8:30.....it is a good time to meet your neighbors and share some interesting stories.....laughter is good for you!!

THANK YOU in advance for the yard sale volunteers your help is greatly appreciated!!

HOSPITALITY DIRECTOR - Tena Gray

Please join me in welcoming the newest members of our Oaks Royal 3 Community:

Gene Mayotte and Holly Keys-Mayotte at [5413 Seville Drive](#)

Earl Smith and Nancy Dubois at [5438 Seville Drive](#)

Regina Violette (Donna's Daughter) at [36328 Bonney Drive](#)

Nancy Emond and Pierre Thibodeau at 5551 Regal Way

Joseph Bruschi at [5554 Regal Way](#)

James Wilds at [5427 Seville Drive](#)

MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR - Harry Whitaker

Here is an update on our projects for Oaks Royal 3. I want to thank all the men who volunteer and show up to assist with these projects. The “we” I talk about below is a dedicated group, who gives of their knowledge, experience and a lot of sweat equity to keeps our park in excellent shape and at the same time saves the HOA a boat-load of money in contract costs! I can not thank them enough.

January Projects (Completed):

1. Tree Trimmer - Trimmed all trees for HOA and for those residents who requested service.
2. We (the men and I) trimmed all the brush from the bridge to Dean Dairy Road and South of the bridge to the property line.
3. We weed-wacked both ponds, as well as cleaned weeds and debris from ponds.
4. We power washed the shed.

January Projects (Ongoing):

5. We have started to frame a new enclosure at the sheds by the clubhouse.

Future Pojects (Approved):

6. We will erect a flag at the benches on Antigua Drive.

WOMENS GROUP - Kathy Swett

Plans were made to put together Welcome Baskets for residents who joined our community in 2021. These were made and distributed on January 24th. Welcome to Michael & Andrea

Barton, Tracey Keeny, Holly & Gene Mayotte, Lisa Shaw, Judy Gonzalez, Robert Andrews & Karen Dillon, Dave & Gabrielle Bitner (& Kitty), Tom & Martha Gustafson, Mark & Deborah St. Pierre, Lisa & Greg Cooper, and Peter Premo. We are so happy you chose Oaks Royal III in which to settle and urge you to enjoy the many amenities and activities provided by this community. And we urge to you get involved!!

Prior to the start of the February HOA meeting, a memorial service will be held to remember those residents lost in 2021. This solemn service will be led by Sharon Pollard with Jan Burden lighting candles as the names are read.

The annual Board Appreciation Dinner will be held on Sunday, February 20, 2022 at 4 PM. Also included in this recognition will be those people who covered for Board members during the summer months. Games are planned following the meal. This is just a small way the Women's Group can say a big THANK YOU for all the volunteerism each board member provides to Oaks Royal III.

A Craft Fair will be held on March 12, 2022 from 9AM-1PM. Janet Sylvester is the person in charge of this event and will work with volunteers for table placement. The Women's Group will have a table with items to sell. 2 residents currently have tables of items as well.

The group voted to NOT hold a Spring Tea this year. Attention turned to other possibilities as a money raiser. A Baked Potato Bar, Mystery Dinner, Ice Cream bar, a Chocolate Dessert Event.

Kathy Swett will check with Carol Carmichael to get her feedback on these thoughts. Kathy will also ask peoples' thoughts on any of these ideas to discuss at the February meeting.

A big Thank You to all the women who attended this meeting. A lot got accomplished with great ideas shared by all attending.

MEN'S CLUB - Clair Marquart

First, thank you to all of residents who have joined us for the first two breakfasts. We have enjoyed bringing these meals to all of you and look forward to serving you again on February 5th and February 19th from 7:30 - 9:00 AM each day. If you haven't joined us yet please consider it and know that visitors and guests are welcome.

In addition, we are planning to have a dinner on Wednesday, February 23rd. The menu will be steak burgers w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cole slaw, dinner rolls and dessert. Take outs will be available and deliveries for those in need. Tickets will be available soon at coffee on Wednesday and from some members. Also, I will have them at my home on Le Sabre Way or call me at 607-738-3036.

Proceeds from all club meals are used for projects that beautify and enhance Oaks Royal III so please come out and support us.

Thank you,

AT THE LIBRARY - Donna Birch

Some of the new books for February are listed as follows:

“Tiger In The Sea” by Eric Lindner - “the ditching of Flying Tiger 923 and the desperate struggle for survival”

“Furthermore” by Andrew Greely - more memories of a parish priest

“Full Measure” by T. Jefferson Parker - an Afghanistan veteran comes back to California to help restore a family avocado ranch which has been destroyed by wildfire.....a page turner

“The Art of War” by Stephen Coonts - “a military thriller putting the US on high alert to stop the plot to destroy the US Navy.

“Send Down the Rain” by Charles Martin - “In this thrilling page

turner the author tries to come to terms with his Viet Nam war experiences”.

“Inheritance” by Dani Shapiro - a story of a woman’s quest to unlock the story of her own identity.

“Resistance Women” by Jennifer Chiaverini - a story of one of the many resistance groups in Germany during Hitler’s rise and fall of power.

“The Amur River” by Colin Thubron - follow the author’s three thousand mile trip down the border between China and Russia.

“Lighthouse” by Eugenia Price - the first book of St Simon’s Trilogy

“Letter to a “GREAT” grandson” by Hugh Downs who “shares his thoughts on topics ranging from relationships to science to life in general.”

For baseball fans: “Shoeless Joe” by W. P. Kinsella - this book is the basis for the movie “Field of Dreams”.

Two biographies:

 “Neverless” by Alec Baldwin

 “Gracie, a Love Story” by George Burns

Thanks to Kathleen Schultz for the donation of romance novels and to other unknown donations to provide diversity to the library.

Thanks to Norman and Lideth Brueggemann for the donation of jigsaw puzzles.

Puzzling is a great pastime for these cool days and there are some good ones to choose, especially from White Mountain. Thanks to whoever donated the National Parks puzzle.....it was a real fun one to do.

Words of Wisdom too good not to share: *“Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a tupperware lid that doesn’t fit any of your containers”*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Card making group has been changed to Thursday morning at 9:30 at my house. Everything is furnished and beginners are welcome. I must hear from you by noon on Sunday so I can provide a card setup for you. Call 813-406-1792. - Bernie Scholz

Please help me help the less fortunate. We have an amazing number of homeless children that have to sleep outside during the winter. Louise Harmer and I have crocheted many blankets for them but arthritis prevents us from continuing our past efforts. If you know how to crochet a simple treble crochet or are willing to learn, Louise and I have yarn that has been donated. Please see or call Bernie Scholz at 813-406-1792 for further info. - Bernie Scholz

If you have announcements or articles for the newsletter please get them to Guy Engelhardt at home or via email gengelha@gmail.com by the 15th of each month to be included in that month's newsletter.

FEBRUARY FESTIVALS IN FLORIDA

[Artfest Fort Myers](#), Fort Myers, Feb. 5-6, 2022

The free festival takes place on the waterfront in historic downtown Fort Myers and features a juried exhibition of 290 fine artists from all over the country. Along with the art, the festival features interactive art exhibits, children's activities, live music, and demonstrations.

[Mount Dora Arts Festival](#), Mount Dora, Feb. 5-6, 2022

Charming Mount Dora is a city of festivals, and this free fest attracts 250,000 for top art, food and entertainment. Florida Rambler story on [things to do in Mount Dora](#) .

[Florida State Fair](#), Tampa, Feb. 10-21, 2022

It boasts “the largest midway in the USA,” but its core purpose, celebrated for more than 100 years, is to showcase Florida’s agriculture and its history. Florida Rambler story on [Florida State Fair](#)

State Fair Tickets available At the gates (Adult & Child only), at participating WAWA stores (Eiland & 301 in Zephyrhills is selling tickets), or [Advance Gate Admission online](#):

Valid One Day Only

** Child ages 6-11. Ages 5 and under free*

** Senior tickets valid only Mon-Fri, Feb. 10-11 and 14-18, 2022*

Adult Admission \$10.00

Child Admission \$6.00

Senior Admission \$8.00

[Everglades Seafood Festival](#), Everglades City. Feb. 11-13, 2022

This free event in Florida’s Stone Crab Capitol packs ’em in for fresh seafood, country music, carnival rides, crafts booths. An estimated 50,000 people attend each year in this small town (population 500) for the three-day event.

[South Florida Garlic Fest](#), Wellington, Feb. 12-13, 2022

A big event with food and top musical performers, it started as a fundraiser for several non-profits. The festival outgrew Delray Beach and moved to Wellington Green.

[9th Annual Scottish Highland Festival](#), Mount Dora, Feb. 19-20, 2022

This gated event with a \$10 admission ticket features Scottish bands and musicians all the weekend at Donnelly Park. and an afternoon of Highland Games in Gilbert Park on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

[The Battle of Olustee Civil War Re-Enactment](#), Sanderson, Feb.

18-20, 2022

Florida's largest Civil War battle is re-enacted, with gun smoke, booming cannons and cavalry.

[Cortez Commercial Fishing Festival](#), Cortez, Feb. 19-20, 2022

Cortez started as a fishing village, and it still has a working waterfront and fishing boats. The festival offers music, nautical arts and crafts, children's activities, environmental exhibits and lots of fresh seafood.

[Coconut Grove Arts Festival](#), Coconut Grove, Miami. Feb. 19-20, 2022

A huge fair (covering many blocks with 350+ exhibitors) and a beautiful waterfront setting make this one of the most popular art festivals in Florida. As a result, it attracts top entertainers, food vendors and artists. Held annually on Presidents Day Weekend.

[ArtiGras Fine Arts Festival](#), Jupiter, Feb. 19-20, 2022

A top juried festival with 300 artists, Artigras is celebrating 37 years of family fun this year.

[Naples National Art Festival](#), Naples, Feb. 19-20, 2022

Ranked among the top art festivals in the state, the event takes place in scenic Cambier Park and along 8th Street South in downtown Naples.

[Swamp Cabbage Festival](#), La Belle. Feb. 26-27, 2022

For 50+ years, this authentic Florida town east of Fort Myers has been celebrating swamp cabbage in a down-home festival and parade. A unique highlight: Armadillo races. Florida Rambler story on the [Swamp Cabbage Festival](#).

CALENDAR

Pease click on a link below to print a January Oaks Royal 3 calendar or review the February 2022 events below.

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Tuesday 01 February 2022

Birthday: Margie Phillips

06:30 PM 08:00 PM - Bingo

Wednesday 02 February 2022. Recycle pick-up

Birthday: James Russell, Mary Ellen Wood

08:30 AM 09:30 AM - Coffee & Donuts

09:00 AM 09:30 AM - Heart Disease & Resuscitation

06:30 PM 08:00 PM - Domino

Thursday 03 February 2022. Trash pick-up

Birthday: Joan Bovee-Vink

06:30 PM 07:30 PM - Cards - Hand & Foot

Friday 04 February 2022

12:30 PM 01:30 PM - Penny Bingo

Saturday 05 February 2022

07:30 AM 09:00 AM - Breakfast - Men's Club

Sunday 06 February 2022

Birthday: Jean Taylor

04:00 PM 05:00 PM - HOA Board Meeting

06:00 PM 07:00 PM - Birthday & Anniversary

Monday 07 February 2022. Trash pick-up

01:00 PM 03:00 PM - Shuffleboard

07:00 PM 08:00 PM - HOA Members Meeting

Tuesday 08 February 2022

06:30 PM 08:00 PM - Bingo

Wednesday 09 February 2022. Recycle pick-up

Birthday: Deborah Overholt

08:30 AM 09:30 AM - Coffee & Donuts

10:00 AM 05:00 PM - Bring Donations for Yardsale

06:30 PM 08:00 PM - Domino

Thursday 10 February 2022. Trash pick-up

Birthday: Harry Glossner

09:00 AM 05:00 PM - Sorting & Pricing Yardsale Items

06:30 PM 07:30 PM - Cards - Hand & Foot

Friday 11 February 2022

Anniversary: Brueggemann, Norman & Lideth

Birthday: David Bitner

09:00 AM 05:00 PM - Sorting & Pricing Yardsale Items

12:30 PM 01:30 PM - Penny Bingo

02:00 PM 04:00 PM - Bring Bake Sale Items

Saturday 12 February 2022

Birthday: Patty Hettescheimer, William Davis

08:00 AM 01:00 PM - Yard Sale, Bake Sale, Sloppy Joe Luncheon

Sunday 13 February 2022

Anniversary: Gatz/Birch, Phil & Donna

Monday 14 February 2022. Valentines Day. Trash pick-up

Anniversary: Vink, John & Joan

Birthday: Cecelia Doknovitch

01:00 PM 03:00 PM - Shuffleboard

06:00 PM 08:00 PM - Beef Cards

Tuesday 15 February 2022

Anniversary: Sherwood, John & Janet

Birthday: Pat Sweeney
06:30 PM 08:00 PM - Bingo

Wednesday 16 February 2022. Recycle pick-up
08:30 AM 09:30 AM - Coffee & Donuts
06:30 PM 08:00 PM - Domino

Thursday 17 February 2022. Trash pick-up
06:30 PM 07:30 PM - Cards - Hand & Foot

Friday 18 February 2022
12:30 PM 01:30 PM - Penny Bingo

Saturday 19 February 2022
Birthday: Richard Borges
07:30 AM 09:00 AM - Breakfast - Men's Club

Sunday 20 February 2022
04:00 PM 05:00 PM - Board Appreciation Dinner

Monday 21 February 2022. Trash pick-up
Birthday: Diane Deaton
01:00 PM 03:00 PM - Shuffleboard
06:00 PM 07:00 PM - Women's Group

Tuesday 22 February 2022
06:30 PM 08:00 PM - Bingo

Wednesday 23 February 2022. Recycle pick-up
Birthday: Marcia Meredith
08:30 AM 09:30 AM - Coffee & Donuts
05:00 PM 06:30 PM - Dinner -Men's Club
06:30 PM 08:00 PM - Domino

Thursday 24 February 2022. Trash pick-up
Birthday: Bernard Scholz, Clarence Herman
06:30 PM 07:30 PM - Cards - Hand & Foot

Friday 25 February 2022

Birthday: Fred Gauthier

12:30 PM 01:30 PM - Penny Bingo

Saturday 26 February 2022

Anniversary: Carmichael, Ronald & Carol

Sunday 27 February 2022

Anniversary: Cynthia Lavoie Simmons, Dale & Judy

Monday 28 February 2022. Trash pick-up

Anniversary: Mayotte, Gene & Holly

Birthday: Ruth Boboltz

01:00 PM 03:00 PM - Shuffleboard

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