

OAK CREEK MEADOWS

HAPPY 2020!

During the annual HOA meeting, Amanda and Tyler were re-elected to the Board. We're also happy to welcome Allie Spencer as our Secretary!

The following are enclosed with this newsletter:

- Invoice for 2020 dues
- Meeting minutes from the annual homeowner's meeting that took place on 12/02/2019
- Balance Sheet and P&L for 2019

HOLIDAY DISPLAY CONTEST

We're happy to announce that the winner of our first Holiday Display Contest was 1704 Black Bear!

We hope that everyone had a chance to drive around and look at our beautiful neighborhood. It was wonderful seeing so many different types of designs. We will be holding another contest in 2020. Watch for more details in the June newsletter and November meeting notice.

KEEPING YOUR PROPERTY SAFE

This year our neighborhood has had many instances of items being stolen from unlocked cars. The Albany Police Department started their #9PMRoutine campaign on Social Media to help remind residents to lock up. Below are some tips for keeping your property safe.

- Anytime you are not home, make sure you lock the doors to your home. Most burglaries happen during broad daylight when everyone is at work
- Make sure you lock your car doors and do not leave valuables in your vehicle. Glove boxes and center consoles are car prowlers number one spots to check. If you do become a victim of a car prowl, check the surrounding bushes on your block. Car prowlers tend to stash the items they take in bushes and come back for them later
- Turn your outdoor lights on at night and leave them on until the morning. This extra light is a deterrent to prowlers
- Report all crimes to the Albany Police Department. This will assist them in assigning patrols and knowing what to look for
- APD Community Resource Unit members are available to conduct a free security survey of private residences. They can offer suggestions regarding external and internal lighting, security locks, exterior foliage and fencing, alarms, etc. To schedule a security survey for your home, contact the Community Resource Unit at 541-917-7680

BASKETBALL HOOPS

This is a reminder that basketball hoops should only be placed on your private property. Hoops that are in the street, or on the sidewalk, create hazards for drivers and pedestrians. They can create issues with the water not draining correctly from the street, along with complications during the City's leaf removal and street cleaning.

TREE TRIMMING

Many of us have trees that hang over a street or sidewalk. As part of keeping the sidewalks clear, the City also requires that trees should be trimmed periodically to ensure there is a clear path for pedestrians and prevent injuries. Below are the requirements provided by the City.

- Sidewalks: Trees should be trimmed 8 feet above the height of the sidewalk
- Streets: Trees should be trimmed 14 feet above the height of the street

LANDSCAPING ON 53RD

The new irrigation was installed this year and seems to be working well. This allowed us to save approximately \$300 on our water bill this year! We will continue to look for ways to update the landscaping to fit our new watering system. If you're interested in helping with the planning process, please let us know.

ARCHITECTURAL CHANGES

Please remember that making visible changes to your home or property might require Board approval. This includes exterior paint, major structural changes to the interior, etc. If you're planning any projects, please take a moment to review the Architectural Change requirements detailed in the CC&Rs. This can be found under Article C. An Architectural Change Request Form is available on the HOA's website, or can be requested by contacting a member of the Board. We do our best to respond promptly.

OWN A SMALL BUSINESS?

We're looking for small businesses owners that live in our HOA. This year, we would like to feature these entrepreneurs on our Facebook group, Nextdoor.com, and the HOA website. Contact us for more information.

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

If you would like to receive our newsletters by email, you can sign up at <http://www.oakcreekmeadowshoa.org/signup.html>. Invoices and meeting notices will continue to be sent through the US Mail as required by the HOA By-laws. You can opt out at any time. If you choose not to sign up, you will continue to receive all communications through the US Mail.