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A Note from Our HOA President Social Update New Year/New Decade Calendar of Events



**Quarterly Newsletter for the Oakmont II Community** 



# From our President...

HAPPY NEW YEAR to all!

Annual Homeowners Association Meeting – The annual Oakmont II Homeowners Association meeting will be held on March 2, 2020 at 7:00 pm. Note that there is a change in venue; <u>this</u> <u>year's meeting will be held at St. Patrick Presbyterian Church, 710 West White Road</u>. This church is located diagonally across the street from our previous meeting place, The Faith Lutheran Church.

**Architectural Review Committee (ARC)** – I would like to remind everyone that our By-Laws provide that any major changes / improvements to the outside of your home require prior approval by ARC. This includes painting, roof replacement, major landscape replacement, tree removal, window replacement etc. Over the past several months we have had a number of these kinds of improvements initiated without ARC consent. The purpose of this requirement in the By-Laws is to ensure that we maintain consistency in the neighborhood and compliance with the By-Laws. Fortunately, after the fact review of each of these improvements revealed no problems. You should be aware that in the event someone installed something like a red metal roof, they would be required to remove it, thus incurring a needless costly expense. The Architectural Review Committee can be contacted by sending an email to the HOA. That email can be accessed at the HOA web site: www.oakmont2hoa.com.

If you have not read the Association's By-Laws and Declarations of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions I would urge you to do so. These documents, and recorded amendments, are posted on the HOA web site.

**Yard Signage Restriction –** Since the inception of Oakmont II, the By-Laws have included a provision that prohibited any yard signage other than a "For Sale Sign". At the 2018 annual meeting the HOA members voted 91%+ to retain that provision and to include a "Home Security sign" as the only permitted signage. There are a number of non permitted signs beginning to show up in the neighborhood; I would ask that we all respect what over 91% of the members voted to approve in 2018 regarding yard signs.



## **DECADE DEBATE**

The coming new year has been widely heralded as the start of a new decade: the 2020s. But an old timekeeping conundrum has led some to contend we're celebrating too early and that we should actually wait until Jan. 1, 2021. A decade is a period of 10 years — that isn't disputed. But a glitch in our calendar system creates a problem if you think decades should begin in years ending with a zero. If you continue the pattern back about 2020 years, you run into a major issue. That's because there is no "year zero" in our calendar system, explained Craig Callender, a professor of philosophy at UC San Diego who has studied the physics and experience of time. The lack of a year zero means the only consistent way to measure decades — or centuries or millennia — is to start them in years ending in one: That's the theory presented in explanations of the debate published by the <u>Farmer's Almanac</u>, timeanddate.com, the New York Times and others. Either way you look at it, the dawning of a new year is not in dispute, so your challenge— make the best of the upcoming year!! <u>Source: usatoday.com</u>

**~Oakmont II Calendar of Events~** Monthly Bookclub- at capacity

## 2020 Upcoming Holidays

#### January

New Year's Day
Martin L. King, Jr. Day
February
Valentine's Day
Presidents' Day
March
St. Patrick's Day

Oakmont II Events 2– HOA Membership Meeting

# Your Board of Directors

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**Donnie Wilemon** Architectural Review Committee\* (ARC) **Greg Laux** Website

The quarterly Oakmont II Homeowners Association meetings are open to all residents of our development. If you would like to attend any meeting please contact any board member either in person or by clicking the " Contact Us" link on our website: www.oakmont2hoa.com

### **DID YOU KNOW...**

JANUARY

...2020 is a leap year.? A leap year is defined when a calendar day is added once every four years in order to synchronize the calendar and astronomical years. This day is added in February, hence, there will be 29 days in February this year! Enjoy the "extra" day!

Source: cbsnews.com

## 2019 SOCIAL RECAP

Here we are in 2020 and another year has come and gone. In 2019 we had several great social events in our neighborhood with a record crowd for the Fall Festival in October. A grand total of 70 of our residents came out to our park area for hamburgers, hot dogs and brats.

And let's not forget the best homemade pastries this side of the Mississippi River. A great time was had by all. This year we will be planning social events for all of our residents to participate in. After our Annual Meeting in March we will plan the first Social Committee meeting to determine the events calendar for this year. I will be asking for volunteers at the Annual Meeting to assist us in our planning and execution of the events. I hope we get several of you to sign up. It truly is a lot of fun.

We ended 2019 with the Holiday Decorating Contest and we had many homes decorate that allowed the neighborhood to look festive. Take a look at our neighborhood web site (<u>www.oakmont2hoa.com</u>) to see the winners if you missed the signs in yards. We named several Honorable Mentions this year and they are on the site.

If you have any comments about our social events or would like to go ahead and volunteer for the 2020 Social Committee now, my name is Doug Smith Vice President of the Board and Social Committee Chairman. Call or text me at 901-491-9055. Thank you in advance.

