
[Test] June Newsletter OR3

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Oaks Royal III News

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Commissioner Ron Oakley Listens to Residents Concerns at Oaks Royal 3 Community Meeting

It was a Wednesday morning at Oaks Royal 3 Mobile Home Community, and residents gathered for their normal mid-week coffee and donuts and to catch up on the current going-ons with their friends and neighbors as well as current events. However, this May 26th something different was in the spring Florida air, dust! The long dry Florida winter, led into the normal hot dry Florida Spring; conditions which bring our annual inundation of gritty, dust billowing in from a road behind the park, Ryals Road, causing dangerous driving conditions on the road including accidents damaging residents homes, exacerbating the health of those with respiratory conditions, and sand blasting property, etching glass, ruining air handlers or clogging air filters!



Residents of Oaks Royal 1, 2 & 3

Residents of Oaks Royal 3 were joined by their neighbors from Oaks Royal 1 & 2, a separately incorporated senior community that also borders Ryals Road. Residents were eagerly awaiting the arrival of Ron Oakley, Pasco County Commissioner, District 1 and Chair of the Pasco Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Oakley asked to speak to residents at Oaks Royal 3 after a successful call-in campaign about the worsening conditions caused by Ryals Road organized by longtime resident Sandy Hauner, Acting Hospitality Director and Co-Social Director.

"This problem with Ryals Road had been going on for 40 years! I have put up with it as long as I have lived here. Others have worked with the County and something has been done, but it never lasts more than a couple of months, and the dust is back worse than ever! Even at my age, I figured if I wanted something done I had to try myself!"

Sandy Hauner, Resident Oaks Royal 3

Commissioner Ron Oakley, a lifelong resident of Dade City, arrived to a warm welcome by residents. He was presented with an additional twenty six (26) letters by residents of both parks passionately detailing their real-life issues caused by the accumulations of dust on, or coming off of, Ryals Road. Commissioner Oakley then spoke about his career and experiences, personally and on the governing board of Southwest Florida Water Management District and the Pasco Board of Commissioners. He commiserated with residents on the road dust problems, indicated they were pretty common in the county, and tended to move in cycles requiring patience.

"There are a lot of dirt roads in the county that get just like this. According to the weather reports the rains are going to start soon and that should push most of the dust down."

Ron Oakley, Pasco County Commissioner, District 1, Chair

Residents, looking for solutions more permanent than rain, began a lively discussion with Commissioner Oakley. Making it clear that they consider issues of rural dirt roads separate from dirt roads imbedded in suburban communities, residents pled their case for some kind of solution to the Ryals Road problem. Residents were passionate in describing conditions caused by the sand and dust from Ryals Road. June Bhem, a resident of Antigua Drive not only described the effects of the dust on her property, plants, air handler, etc, but brought physical examples of dust encrusted items that were left outside for only a matter of days! Bernie Sholtz, another resident of Antiqua Drive, vividly recounted, with pictures, the automobile accident on Ryals Road were a car

lost control on the bad road surface, after a series of accidents on the road, and went through the fence into her yard and house and had piece of fence forced into her bedroom and a piece of glass a foot long on the pillow where her husband was sleeping a few minutes before! After several accidents on the road caused by the surface conditions, Pasco County would not install guard rails on Ryals Road to protect residents in Oaks Royal 3 when requested. Other residents brought pictures of the dust billowing across the park from Ryals Road. One Resident, emotionally told of buying his home and having his wife with severe respiratory problems feeling trapped in her home, unable to even go outside, because she could not breathe due to the amount of dust in the air. These and many more residents gave evidence from their personal experience and Commissioner Oakley listened to each speaker with interest and compassion. Ann Parks, Oaks Royal 3 HOA President was attending the meeting on Zoom from her home in Michigan, and commented on how impressed she was by the crowd of more than fifty (50) people attending, the great evidence produced and the positive sharing back and forth in discussion.

"Oaks Royal 3 summer residents you did an awesome job explaining our concerns to Commissioner Oakley! Great turn out in numbers! Great examples by everyone who spoke! Loved June's evidence! This kind of dialog is how we build our relationship with the Commish!"

Ann Parks, President, Oaks Royal 3 HOA

Commissioner Oakley discussed why paving Ryals Road was not a option for the County. Like the roads in Oaks Royal 3, the county considers Ryals a private road and as such paving can not be paid out of the general tax fund but only by the PVAS method, where those who use the road are assessed for cost of paving of the road. The PVAS or Paving Assessment can be paid by homeowners effected by the road upfront or by a 10 year lien on their property. Ryals Road is paved through the last access road to the Sandalwood Mobile Home Community but has not been requested by the Meadowbrook Trailer Estates community which is serviced by the remainder of Ryals Road and would have to bear the cost.

Guy Engelhardt, resident on Riviera Drive raised the question of taking advantage of Oaks Royal 3's repaving project, already approved by the Pasco Board of Commissioners possibly to begin this Fall/Spring, utilizing the old road surface being removed as new crushed road surface for Ryals Road.

Commissioner Oakley said that the vendor who received the contract to do the roadwork in Oaks Royal 3 would receive the old road surface as part of the contract to use as part of his fees. It is standard in the county road contracts. In addition, he said currently we are experiencing "white dust" or lime dust and sand, if the county was to replace the surface of Ryals Road with recycled crushed road surface in this manner we would just replace the type of dust with "black dust" or tar dust. Sand mixed with tar and asphalt dust from the road surface as it breaks down.

"The big school busses race up and down that street so fast every morning! The dust just comes out over the houses in huge clouds. It is not right!"

Bernice, Resident Oaks Royal 1 & 2

Commissioner Oakley said annual dust relief occurs each year when the rains start in June. If the Road surface is bad the county can order grading equipment brought in at that time to engineer the surface. Residents said the county just had a grading crew in, shortly after the call-in campaign. They discussed the problems that happened after re-grading: if drainage ditches are not cleared, and road is not sloped correctly, when the heavy rains start in summer properties in Oaks Royal 3 bordering Ryals Road have flooding issues. In addition, residents stated that summer rains eroded the surface of Ryals Road creating a "washboard" or rippled surface, holes and other unsafe driving surfaces. Between the sandy dry surfaces and the eroded summer surfaces Ryals Road is always unsafe and traffic along road drives erratically because of it according to residents. Residents told of not only cars but trash collectors and school buses racing up and down Ryals Road in order to make it through the sand.



Left: Pasco Commissioner Ron Oakley, Larry Way, Vito Ingargiola, Barbara Ingargiola, Louise Harmer, Jerry Wozniak, Sandy Hauner, Joyce Engelhardt, Guy Engelhardt, June Bhlem

Commissioner Ron Oakley thanked everyone for sharing their concerns. When asked directly if we could expect anything to happen about Ryals Road, he said in the short term immediate relief of the dust would come from the start of the summer rain. However, he did say he would take a team of people and ride the road, go over residents issues and see what could realistically be done. Then he would come back and report, one way or the other. Residents gave Commissioner Oakley a warm round of applause and thanked him for coming to the Oaks Royal 3 community to speak with them. He stayed and spoke to several residents individually before leaving.

Sympathy for the family of Gerald Overholt

Please join us in extending condolences to resident Deborah Overholt and her family on the passing of her husband Gerald. Gerry and Debbie are active residents and live on Bonnie Drive. Gerry had been ill.

OR3 Friends can send sympathy cards to:

Deborah Overholt
36403 Bonnie Drive
Zephyrhills, FL 33541

<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/tampabaytimes/obituary.aspx?n=gerald-overholt&pid=198835340&fhid=29508>

Published in Tampa Bay Times on May 29, 2021.

OVERHOLT, Gerald R. 72, of Zephyrhills, died May 26, 2021. He is survived by his family. Coastal Cremations Zephyrhills.

No memorial events are currently scheduled. To offer your sympathy during this difficult time, you can now have memorial trees planted in a National Forest in memory of your loved one.

Funeral services provided by
[Coastal Cremations - Zephyrhills](#)
[4911 Allen Rd](#)
[Zephyrhills, FL 33541](#)
[\(813\) 395-6988](#)
[Plant Memorial Trees](#)

Invitation to Celebrate Vito & Barb's 60th Anniversary June 9th.

All residents are invited to come and help Vito and Barbara Ingargiola celebrate 60 years of wedded bliss! Vito & Barb will be hosting coffee & donuts & anniversary cake at Coffee Hour on Wednesday June 9th at 8:30am, so everyone can help them celebrate their special day amongst their friends here at Oaks Royal 3.

"Please come and help us celebrate!" Vito & Barb Ingargiola

There will be no charge for coffee and donuts that day. If you can not attend and wish to send special greetings for Vito and Barb, please mail them to Oaks Royal 3 C/O Sandy Hauner, [36312 Impala Way, Zephyrhills, FL 33541](#). OR email to Guy Engelhardt at gengelha@gmail.com.

Memorial Day Picnic on May 31st.

Louise Harmer And Sandy Hauner have organized a Memorial Day Picnic on Monday May 31st at 2:00 pm at the Oaks Royal 3 clubhouse. The meal will be sloppy joes, potatoes salad and the fixings, and of course dessert! Resident only need to bring their own table service, and be prepared to have a great time!

The event is free to OR3 residents and \$3 to guests.

If you agreed to make a salad or dessert please remember to bring it to the clubhouse by 1:00pm for set up. Thank you.

Get Well and Sympathy Coverage

Sandy Hauner, Acting Hospitality Director will be on vacation during June. If you know of a resident who is sick or hospitalized and is in need of a Get Well Card OR if you know of a resident who dies and their spouse or family is in need of a Sympathy Card, please contact Guy Engelhardt by email at gengelha@gmail.com or by phone at either (813) 779-9244 home (813) 957-4851 cell and he will hop right on it!

June Calendar

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Tuesday 01 June 2021

6:30 - Bingo
8:00pm

Wednesday 02 June 2021

Recycle pick-up
8:30 - Coffee & Donuts
9:30am
6:30 - Domino
8:00pm

Thursday 03 June 2021

all day Trash pick-up

Friday 04 June 2021

12:30 Penny Bingo

1:30

Sunday 06 June 2021

Birthday: Herbie Schultz

Anniversary Wilson, Edwin & Diana

Monday 07 June 2021

Birthday:Dennis Kramer

Anniversary: Smith, Buck & Sharon

Trash pick-up

Tuesday 08 June 2021

6:30 -
8:00pm

Bingo

Wednesday 09 June 2021

Recycle pick-up

8:30 -
9:30a
m

Coffee & Donuts
Vito&Barb Party

6:30 -
8:00pm

Domino

Thursday 10 June 2021

Anniversary: Ingargiola, Vito & Barbara

Trash pick-up

Friday 11 June 2021

Birthday: Barbara Wozniak

12:30 -
1:30pm

Penny Bingo

Saturday 12 June 2021

Birthday: Edna McKendree

Sunday 13 June 2021

Birthday: Regina Dunham

Anniversary: Zikeli, Peter & Joyce

8:00 -
8:00pm

Reserved

Monday 14 June 2021

Birthday: John Sherwood, Stephen Hussey

Trash pick-up

Tuesday 15 June 2021

Anniversary: Marquart, Clair & Nora

Birthday: Sherry Hammond

6:30 -
8:00pm

Bingo

Wednesday 16 June 2021

Anniversary: Nadeau, Donald & Therese

Recycle pick-up

8:30 -
9:30a
m

Coffee & Donuts

6:30 -
8:00pm

Domino

Thursday 17 June 2021

Trash pick-up

Friday 18 June 2021

12:30
1:30pm

Penny Bingo

Sunday 20 June 2021

Father's Day

Birthday: Joan McDowell

Monday 21 June 2021

Trash pick-up

Tuesday 22 June 2021

Anniversary: Engelhardt, Guy & Joyce

6:30 -
8:00pm

Bingo

Wednesday 23 June 2021

Birthday: Larry Way, Rosemary Whitaker

Recycle pick-up

8:30 -
9:30a
m

Coffee & Donuts

6:30 -
8:00pm

Domino

Thursday 24 June 2021

Birthday: Franklin Jordan

Trash pick-up

Friday 25 June 2021

12:30 -
1:30

Penny Bingo

Saturday 26 June 2021

Birthday: David Schneider, Harry Whitaker

Anniversary: Dunham, Arthur & Regina

Sunday 27 June 2021

all day
8:00 -
8:00pm

Norma Bernard

Club Rented

Monday 28 June 2021

Trash pick-up

Tuesday 29 June 2021

Anniversary: Borges, Richard & Barbara

all day Birthday: Carolyn Mortimer

6:30 -
8:00pm

Bingo

Wednesday 30 June 2021

Recycle pick-up

8:30 -
9:30a
m

Coffee & Donuts

6:30 -
8:00pm

Domino

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