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Sweetheart **Valentine** Chocolate Romance **Friends Flowers** Holiday Hearts Cupid Candy Gifts Love Kiss Date Card Hug



CLUBHOUSE



Soccer Program All new starting January 19th

Contact Josh at josh@trainatptg.com for more information

Progressive Rummy

Join us Monday nights, bring \$.50 to play 6:30pm



Women's Latin Dance Class

Saturday 10am Wednesday10am Thursday 6pm \$15.00 per class



Every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 6:30 pm





Restrative Flex and Stretch Class This program is designed for those with chronic pain and those who need body stability, flexibility, and strength. Tue

Watercolor Class

Mondays 3pm to 5pm No fee Bring your own supplies. Supply list available at clubhouse





Senior Coffee

every 3rd Friday of the month. No Fee, just enjoy good conversation

Wood Carving

Thursday's 10am to 12 noon. No fee. Bring your own supplies.





Silver Sneakers with instructor Gillian Dargan. Classes will run on Mon and Wends from 9am to 10am. Classes are free with your Silver Sneaker membership card or \$4.00 for non Silver Sneaker members.

1st Friday food truck

Enjoy fun friends family food and music.





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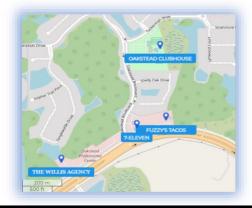


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New Year's Eve at the clubhouse was a blast! Many thanks to DJ Angelo for keeping us dancing all night long. Thank you to The Ale House for their delicious prime rib dinner and a huge thank you to all those who brought desserts to share. A great time was had by all. I have enclosed some pictures for you to enjoy. Have a happy and healthy 2024.













































Weymouth NEWS by Steve Shaw

Valentine's day is right around the corner and you may be struggling to come up with the perfect gift. Long after the chocolates have been eaten, and the teddy bear has been tucked in the closet, and the flowers have wilted, memories of great experiences will continue to bring a smile to loved one's faces. Here are a few ideas. None of them are more than a tank of gas away and all of them will be remembered for years to come.

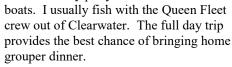
Ruth Eckerd Hall, The Capitol Theatre, and Tampa Theatre are three outstanding indoor music venues. Capacity ranges from 766 at the Capitol to 2180 at Ruth Eckerd. There isn't a bad seat in the house and the sound quality is exceptional. Upcoming shows include; Dave Mason, Don Felder, the Wallflowers and Don Mclean. If you prefer an outdoor venue, check out The Sound in Clearwater. Willie Nelson, Joe Bonamassa, and O.A.R. will be in town soon.

The Straz Center in Tampa features Broadway Theatre productions that are sure to please. I've been to three different shows and all were entertaining. Upcoming productions include; Moulin Rouge, Jesus Christ Superstar and Les Miserables. If you are an adventure seeker, you may want to experience a splash and dash in a seaplane. I gifted a 35-minute seaplane flight to my love, and it was something we'll never forget. We had to drive about 2 hours to the quaint little town of Tavares to catch our ride, but the low-level flight over the lakes and river was so worth it. I recommend booking with the Jones Brothers.

The manatees will be seeking warm water this winter, so a kayak trip along the Weeki Wachee River, the Rainbow River, or Crystal River will provide plenty of viewing opportunities in the crystal-clear water. Not sure about getting into a kayak? Check out the TECO manatee viewing area in Apollo Beach.

While fishing isn't permitted in the Oakstead ponds, there are plenty of tasty fish to be found in the Gulf waters. I recommend booking with Capt. Brian Caudill if you want a chance to land a Grand Slam (trout, redfish, and snook) along the spoil islands and mangroves around St. Joseph Sound. The mackerel should be running by late March and they are fun to catch. Anglers continue to bring in big

grouper, Key West grunts, and mangrove snappers on the full day party



It doesn't get more romantic than a sunset sailboat excursion. Schooner Clearwater offers a beautiful view of the setting sun from the 52' deck. Although it isn't as rowdy as Capt. Memo's pirate cruise, its a small group cruise. If you prefer a private cruise, the Three Moons, out of Palm Harbor offers a wine, wind and water sunset cruise.

Last but not least.......Your Weymouth HOA Board sent out several e-mail notifications in January. Unfortunately, they were only received by those homeowners that are subscribed to e-mail notification from the Greenacre 360 portal. There are a number of big events including painting the villas and an election of HOA Board members scheduled in 2024. Don't be left out. E-mail notifications from the portal will become the primary means of official communication in the community.



Every month I like to remind everyone we should read the Tanglewylde HOA Documents to become familiar with the HOA guidelines before submitting your Alteration Application. This will expedite the committee's review process. The documents can be found on Rizzetta's Portal. I bring this topic up because after residents receive their go ahead on their alteration, this approved application most times must be submitted along with the Pasco County Permit request. So do your research before you give your contractor the OK to start your project and make sure your project is approved by the county and Tanglewylde HOA.

I have noticed trees and shoots growing out of gutters on several of the villas. This is not an item the HOA is responsible for. Gutters should be checked periodically to be sure of proper drainage. Another homeowner responsibility is being sure to clean both the outside and inside of yard fences.

<u>Driveways</u>

Spring is coming close which means it is time to look over our driveways and sidewalks. Over the years I have written about pressure washing driveways and what should be used, and most residents did not read the articles that I have written. When I closed on my property back in 2004 while doing the walk through, I was told not to use more than 2,000 psi of pressure to clean the cement and the reason for that was it takes the cream off the top of the cement. What was this guy telling me? But over time I realized he was right; I used an 1,800 psi and very little of the top layer of my cement

was removed by my pressure washer, but neighbors had their driveways cleaned with 4,000 psi and now you can see the stones coming off

the top and the so-called cream of the cement was washed into the street. I also bought a non-slip sealer and now I only have to pressure wash every three or four years.

Our next Meeting will be in March watch for the meeting sign.



Oakstead MASTER HOA by Jeff Conran



Welcome to 2024! As was mentioned last month, the HOA board is looking to make some changes to our declarations and covenants. In addition, we're going to make some

pretty significant adjustments to our community standards. These are things that the

board can change without needing the 66% vote that declaration and covenant changes require. These are things like color schemes (garage doors matching house body colors, etc) and the grid bars on street facing windows. Look for these changes in the coming months.

We're also looking for some volunteers to help support the HOA. We need members for the fining committee, as well as the architectural review panel. We would love to have several people to volunteer to support these efforts. The time commitment isn't much but the impact is huge across our community. Please send an email to Stephanie (STirado@greenacre.com) and Myself (JeffConranOaskteadHOA@gmail.com) to volunteer.

Also, please don't forget to make your HOA annual payments. They're only \$75 this year but if you don't pay on time (payments must be made by 31 January 2024) you'll get a late fee added to it. Like I mentioned in last month's newsletter, this can get very expensive if you don't take care of it.

As a reminder, please slow down, don't park on the street or across sidewalks, and clean up after your pets.

Note from BOARD SUPERVISOR by Norm Keith



Why would anyone want to live in a deed restricted community? Who would want to pay dues to have an organization tell them they are violating the rules? Why would someone put up

with a Community Development District that requires them to contribute money to maintain community landscaping, roads, a clubhouse, nature trails, swimming pools, tennis courts, basketball courts, fences, ponds, village gates, village walls, and conservation areas? The answer is simple; so that they can be assured of living in a community that presents the highest possible standard of appearance in all public and private areas.

Upon purchasing property in Oakstead every owner became a member of the Master Association and signed a contract agreeing to abide by the Oakstead

Covenants. Owners of rental property are responsible for ensuring that renters abide by the covenants. It is the responsibility of each owner to fully understand all deed restrictions. All members of the Oakstead community have an inherent responsibility to look out for the community common areas. If all residents made a sincere effort to stop littering, report vandalism, stop blocking village roads by parking on both sides of the streets overnight

night and driving with caution and courtesy. Everyone's personal safety would be increased.

Many residents have complained about the wild and crazy traffic on Oakstead Boulevard. The curves, blind villages exits, numerous cross walks and slippery when wet areas all add to the dangers while driving on this road. Numerous accidents have occurred, including a fatality on Oakstead Boulevard. Street light poles have been knocked down, walls have had complete section knocked out, several trees have been smashed into, Deer have been killed and several vehicles have run into the swamp on Manassas. It seems like driving on the Daytona Speedway is safer than driving on Oakstead Boulevard. A recommendation to petition Pasco County to do a comprehensive traffic study of Oakstead Boulevard culminating with placing of recommended safety measures was made by a resident at a recent CDD Board Meeting. A large percentage of resident signatures on the petition would be required before submitting to Pasco County. In the meantime, extreme caution should be used while traveling Oakstead Boulevard. Needless to say, the speed limits will be strictly enforced.

How about taking a short quiz about incidents that commonly occur in Oakstead? "Common Sense Quiz"

<u>T/F</u> 1. Bike riders on the Nature Trail should not notify walkers when approaching from the rear.

<u>T/F</u> 2. Walkers should rush out into the cross walk at the blind curve by Weymouth to challenge drivers to stop.

<u>T/F</u> 3. It is OK to park cars on both sides of Village Streets when having a party.

<u>T/F</u> 4. The covenants allow parking of large All Terrain, business, Vehicles on grass in residential front yards for weeks at a time

<u>T/F</u> 5. It is OK to let your dog mess on other residents' property because they enjoy picking it up.

<u>T/F</u> 6. Speeding is allowed on Oakstead roads if I am driving.

<u>T/F</u> 7. It is OK to roll STOP signs because STOP really means Spin *Tires on Pavement*.

<u>T/F</u> 8. It is OK to dump fast food bags, whiskey bottles and other unmentionable things in the Clubhouse parking lot because the Clubhouse Staff gets paid extra to police the parking lot.

The CDD and HOA have tackled these problems many times but at some time and point it becomes an individual responsibility to just do what is right. Common sense should rule.

We live in a beautiful community where homes sell quickly. When perspective home buyers consider property in Oakstead they will find great schools, nearby emergency support, and numerous shopping sites. Why not complete the picture by having impressive, manicured neighborhoods with friendly helpful residents?

Let's all strive to make Oakstead a truly great place to live where everybody's can say

welcome home.

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