



# OAKSTEAD TIMES

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## HAPPY



# MEMORIAL DAY



JOIN US FOR THE  
OAKSTEAD MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION  
AT THE CLUBHOUSE

MAY 27th 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.



For telephone numbers and other important  
Community information, please go  
to [www.oaksteadcdd.org](http://www.oaksteadcdd.org) and click/tap  
on the link at the bottom.



# Weymouth NEWS by Steve Shaw

"Ch-ch-ch-changes" – David Bowie  
We start this month's article by focusing on the ongoing changes in Weymouth. Greenacre has adopted a new web portal. It can be accessed at [home.greenacre.com](http://home.greenacre.com). You should have received a communication from them last month via snail-mail. The letter contained your login ID and a temporary password. The website is powered by Vanteca. Once you sign in, you'll be able to change your password and toggle between the Weymouth site and Oakstead site by using the pull-down menu located in the upper right-hand corner of the dashboard. Look for answers to most of your questions in the FAQ section. You'll find helpful videos that will guide you through the website. The community calendar is a nice feature and I can't wait for us to start using it. If you did not receive your ID and password, please contact Greenacre Properties at 813-600-1100. Oak leaf and pollen season has passed us and our rainy season is right around the corner. Last month, I was sitting on my lanai watching a

rain storm and I noticed that I didn't see water flowing out of the downspout. I inspected my gutters the next day and found that they were filled with leaves. Maintenance of the gutters is a homeowner's responsibility. You may want to check your gutters to be sure that they are operating correctly.

The installation of mulch is not covered in our landscaping contract. However, mulch helps your garden retain moisture, helps prevent soil erosion and helps control weeds. I encourage you to join me in improving our curb appeal by installing mulch this month.

Speaking of landscaping, the Landscape Committee recently issued a request for proposal. Representatives from Pinelake Maintenance attended our last Board meeting and answered questions. Their proposal contains solutions to complaints some residents have voiced to the Board. However, the proposal would increase the amount we currently pay each month.

Would you be willing to pay \$10 more a month to your maintenance

fee in exchange for more customized landscaping services? Be sure to share your thoughts with the Board.

Several residents voiced concerns about vehicles blocking the sidewalks. Our property manager conducts two inspections each month, so it's impossible for her to address every violation. Community members can help by sending a photo of the infraction along with the address, time and date to [stirado@greenacre.com](mailto:stirado@greenacre.com).

Finally, last month I reminded owners that we need to submit proof of insurance to Greenacre every year as our policies renew. I just forgot to tell you where to send them. Please send proof of insurance to [homeownerinsurance@greenacre.com](mailto:homeownerinsurance@greenacre.com).



# Oakstead MASTER HOA by Jeff Conran



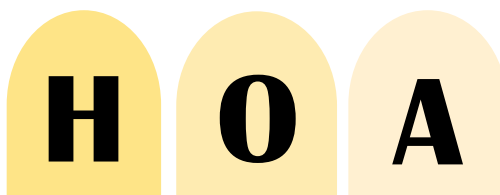
only makes our community better.

First and foremost, thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to get and keep their homes in compliance. Everything you do to make your homes better

As you should all know by now, our property management company has changed their online owner's portal. For most of us, that means changing what website we log into for our DRB applications and paying our annual dues. For those who have not registered for the old portal, now is your chance to sign up for online access.

Also, thank you so much for your patience

regarding the mailbox signs. I was informed that the new signs are at the clubhouse. If you need some, please stop by and grab them. They're not free, but the cost is minimal.



# Tanglewylde NEWS by Fred Krauer



## Tanglewylde Portal

Tanglewylde Homeowners are encouraged to register for the Association Portal at [www.rizzetta.com](http://www.rizzetta.com), if you have not already done so. The Association Portal provides access to your account information, as well as community documents, architectural guidelines and alteration applications. Work orders can also be submitted through the Portal. Please take a moment to register using the following steps. Go to [www.rizzetta.com](http://www.rizzetta.com), select Association Portal at the upper center of the page. Once on the

portal page, please select sign up. You do not need a registration key or account number to register. Click on "I don't have a portal key or account number." Fill in your email, name, phone number, property address and association. You do not need an account number. Then select "I'm not a robot" and Sign Up. You will receive an email within 48 business hours with your log in credentials.

## Landscape Update

I was asked to keep my article short this month. The short version is, Tanglewylde

HOA asked two landscapers for an estimated price to service

Tanglewylde. The first company said no, because Tanglewylde was too labor intensive, and they were no longer going to service HOAs. The second company has not even given us a return call.

We are waiting for a price to replace the mulch in the village.

# History OF MEMORIAL DAY PBS.org

"We do not know one promise these men made, one pledge they gave, one word they spoke; but we do know they summed up and perfected, by one supreme act, the highest virtues of men and citizens. For love of country they accepted death, and thus resolved all doubts, and made immortal their patriotism and their virtue."

— James A. Garfield, May 30, 1868, Arlington National Cemetery



Originally called Decoration Day, from the early tradition of decorating graves with flowers, wreaths and flags, Memorial Day is a day for remembrance of those who have died in service to our

country. It was first widely observed on May 30, 1868 to commemorate the sacrifices of Civil War soldiers, by proclamation of Gen. John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization of former Union sailors and soldiers.

During that first national commemoration, former Union Gen. and sitting Ohio Congressman James Garfield made a speech at Arlington National Cemetery, after which 5,000 participants helped to decorate the graves of the more than 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers who were buried there.

This national event galvanized efforts to honor and remember fallen soldiers that began with local observances at burial grounds in

several towns throughout the United States following the end of the Civil War, such as the May 1, 1865 gathering in Charleston, South Carolina organized by freed slaves to pay tribute and give proper burial to Union troops.

In 1873, New York was the first state to designate Memorial Day as a legal holiday. By the late 1800s, many more cities and communities observed Memorial Day, and several states had declared it a legal holiday.

After World War I, it became an occasion for honoring those who died in all of America's wars and was then more widely established as a national holiday throughout the United States.

In 1971, Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act and established that Memorial Day was to be commemorated on the last Monday of May.

Memorial Day is commemorated at Arlington National Cemetery each year with a ceremony in which a small American flag is placed on each grave. Traditionally, the President or Vice President lays a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

*Post Office: Please expedite delivery of newsletter into community.*



## May 2024 Oakstead Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> Dominos 1pm Silver Sneaker 9am Latin Dance 10am	<b>2</b> Silver Sneaker 9am Latin Dance 6pm	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Latin Dance 10am
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Social Cards 6:30pm Silver Sneaker 9am	<b>7</b> Silver Sneaker 9am CDD Workshop 10am	<b>8</b> Dominos 1pm Silver Sneaker 9am Latin Dance 10am	<b>9</b> Silver Sneaker 9am Latin Dance 6pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Latin Dance 10am
<b>12</b> 	<b>13</b> HOA Meeting 7pm Social Cards 6:30pm Silver Sneaker 9am	<b>14</b> Silver Sneaker 9am	<b>15</b> Dominos 1pm Silver Sneaker 9am Latin Dance 10am	<b>16</b> Silver Sneaker 9am Latin Dance 6pm	<b>17</b> Senior Coffee 9am	<b>18</b> Latin Dance 10am
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Social Cards 6:30pm Silver Sneaker 9am	<b>21</b> Silver Sneaker 9am CDD Meeting (usually 1pm)	<b>22</b> Weymouth HOA 6:30 pm Dominos 1pm Silver Sneaker 9am Latin Dance 10am	<b>23</b> Silver Sneaker 9am Latin Dance 6pm Tanglewylde 2pm	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Latin Dance 10am
<b>26</b> 	<b>27</b> Social Cards 6:30pm Silver Sneaker 9am Memorial Day Celebration 12-5	<b>28</b> Silver Sneaker 9am	<b>29</b> Dominos 1pm Silver Sneaker 9am Latin Dance 10am	<b>30</b> Silver Sneaker 9am Latin Dance 6pm	<b>31</b>	

**Notes:** Weather permitting starting May on Tuesday and Thursday Silver Sneakers will be water aerobics.