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Oak Terrace Annual General Meeting Wednesday, November 2nd, 7:00 p.m. Countryside Fire Station, Midlothian Road

Advance notice everyone! The Annual General Meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the upper meeting room—the same meeting room monthly Board meetings are held in, and the directions are at the bottom of page two. Handicapped friendly.

There will be the annual election of Board members. **Six seats are open**, so any of you eager, willing or prepared to take your turn at contributing some time to our Board, and particularly in representing your street, please contact **Cara Cuny**, Board secretary, at **cacuny@comcast.net** or **847-254-8073** and asked to be placed on the ballot. The ballots will be distributed to all residents-in-good-standing some time during October.

Also, if you have Oak Terrace issues, questions or suggestions you'd like to bring up at the meeting, please contact President **Greg Denny** at **gdenny@emt.com** or **847-566-8368** so he can include you in the agenda. It's important that all our residents participate in the running of/spending in Oak Terrace in an open forum.

The general meeting will be followed by a Board meeting for the new Board members at which time officers will be elected.

Please put the date and time on your calendar.

Street Repaving

As you've realized by now, the repaving of our streets was delayed, mostly due to extensive storm sewer work that needed to be done. Work should begin shortly, if it hasn't started by the time you receive your Acorn.

The Board received much-appreciated input on the speed humps, and the diverse opinions expressed. All will be taken into consideration.

Condolences

To **Frank and Fran Cirrincione** of **Willow** on the death of **Frank's** 93-year-old mother recently. We are very sorry for your loss.

Burning

With an avalanche of leaves due to fall over the next few months, please keep in mind the burning restrictions—**illegal on the street, but okay safely in your yard, but not in the drainage ditches**. Here's the # again to call should there be problems: **Lake County Sheriff at 847-549-5200**.

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Summer Fest 2011 Bridge Park



The venue was wonderful, with many residents enjoying each other, and the lake, games, food, drink, and music. Thanks to **Kevin Shifley of Lake View** and all his gracious helpers, and to **Michael Mathy of Hickory** and his group who played the afternoon away to everyone's enjoyment.

The cardboard boat race was an unmitigated success and a lot of fun for spectators and participants alike.

And, when you're walking by the park, take a look at the new yellow OT swim raft. Many thanks to those of you at Summer Fest who helped contribute to it, and also to **Munsen Ski and Marine of Lakemoor** who were kind enough to discount it for us. Kids, young and older, really enjoy it. High Five to **Dan Griffin of Oak** for pushing it through, and to he and his son for installing it.

Stray? Cats

Several 'outdoor' cats have been seen in the neighborhood, and it's unclear as to whether they belong to someone in Oak Terrace. There is a non-profit organization called **Spay and Stay: www.spayandstay.org, 847-289-4557** which works mostly with feral cats and, if you choose, you may become a "registered caretaker." They will come out and trap them, spay/neuter them, administer rabies/distemper shots and flea/tick treatment, and bring them back and release them. They charge \$25, although they do have an assistance program with grants.

It's important that all our OT animals have their regular shots and treatments and, of course, we're all aware that if we feed the 'strays' *they will return*.

Thank you to **Dina Lepczynski of Oak** for this useful information.

Dina has also been working on a Face Book Page for Oak Terrace, which is now accessible. Just go onto your Face Book home page and search **Oak Terrace Community**, Illinois, and indicate you 'Like' it. That way you'll have it available.

Key Fobs for Bridge Park

Due to a delay with the manufacturer, fobs didn't get issued this year. They'll be in your hands for next season. Meanwhile the double gates will remain unlocked through the winter for the convenience of the snowmobiles, et al.

Oak Terrace Board Meetings

Meetings are held on the **first Wednesday** of each month at **7:00 p.m.**, at the **Countryside Fire Department on Midlothian Road**, south west of **60/83**.

Turn west at that junction and you'll see the fire station on your left just beyond the shopping plaza. Enter through the side main door and take the stairs or elevator to the second level conference room. The building is handicap-friendly. All residents are warmly welcome.