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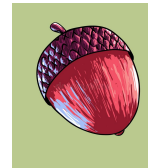
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Oak Terrace residents

It would be an understatement to say that a lot has happened in these past few months! As we continue to adjust to our new 'normal', moving from sheltering in place to slowly venturing out, the Coronavirus pandemic has changed day-to-day routines for everyone. Children and parents wrapped up the end of an unusual school year and now Summer is upon us, at least we have Oak Terrace to Enjoy!

One of the silver linings to 'staying home' was seeing so many people out walking in the streets. Maybe not so many now as at the start of the Pandemic but still a lot of activity out in the neighborhood. It has been lovely to connect with the community with an easy 'hello' or a passing wave. Unfortunately, many community events had to be cancelled. The Easter egg hunt and Parade is always well attended and I know the kids missed it. Deb Fedro of Elmwood suggested people decorate their houses for Easter. The winners were The Cisneros of Willow. Thank you Deb for your suggestion and Thank you to those who participated. The Spring clean up was also cancelled but fortunately we don't need a 'day' for that. We all have an opportunity to walk with a bag in hand and pick up any trash that we see. A little goes a long way and with more people pitching in, the more we can clean up. Last Year's spring clean up event saw garbage bags full of debris collected around Oak Terrace, along Diamond Lake road and 60/83. Please consider these areas if you do intend to collect trash. The community garage sale was also cancelled. If you have been spring cleaning over the last couple of months, Good will, The Sparrows nest and other donation centers are open for business. This year's Summer fest also had to be cancelled. The Board proposed the idea of having an 'Oktoberfest' event in late September (if permitted). A fun, BYOB, socially distant time at the Beach park. If you have any ideas for this 'Oktoberfest' event or would like to volunteer, please email OakTerraceneighbors@gmail.com



June 3rd Board Meeting

The Board decided to host this month's meeting at the Beach Park in order to facilitate social distance requirements. Attendance at this meeting was much higher than normal, it was wonderful to see many new faces along side long standing residents also in attendance. The location and weather were ideal and it was discussed to hold the August 5th meeting at the Beach park too. Please look out for an email/social media updates and message board reminder notifications as to where the meeting will take place.

The Highway Commissioner addressed the following issues that were raised at the June Board Meeting:

- Graffiti and offensive phrases and words on the Bridge have been removed. If any were missed or new ones appear, please contact the OTIA or the Highway commissioner directly.
- Rip rap and filtration fabric will be used in the eroded area on the NW side of the boat launch area as it seems to be significantly worse than when it was inspected back in January.
- Lastly, they are tentatively planning on painting the speed humps during the week of June 30th, if staffing and weather allow.

Treasurer's report

As of May 31st, we have \$28,850.03 in operating funds, \$32,455.70 in cash and \$19,974.22 in receivables, leaving us with total assets of \$81,279.95. Statements for 2020 assessments went out on January 31st and already a large number of payments have been received. Also, one of the delinquent accounts that had been in collections has been settled. Due to Covid-19, future collections of dues were on hold.

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Oak Terrace Community



NEXT BOARD MEETING
August 5th

NEXT ACORN/STATEMENT MAILING: October

Lake health

At the end of April, Clarke Aquatic conducted their annual plant survey, documenting what plants are growing and where. Following that they applied the herbicide application on June 11th to effected areas of invasive weed species. The cost of the treatment was \$290 per acre and as Oak Terrace owns 9.65 acres the cost totaled \$2800. The Budget had been approved for \$2,135 for General maintenance and so the Board remotely approved the additional \$665 from the reserve fund. As soon as Clarke or MPD notify us as to any Lake findings or treatments, we send a community email , post to social media and update the message boards with all pertinent information. Please keep a look out for any Lake health/mapping/surveys and Treatments through these mediums. We will also communicate any Algae PSA's throughout the Summer.

A question was posed by a resident at the June 3rd Board meeting as to the algae in the lake and the frequency that the water is tested. Some of the algae in the lake is normal, whereas when there is blue algae that can be harmful. The Park district is constantly testing the lake for bacterial levels to determine safety of swimming. These findings are passed on to the OTIA and relayed to you via email and social media. The OTIA Beach can be tested twice a month by the Lake county Health department which issues the beach permit. It is because of this that residents are reminded that pets are not allowed at the beach park.

Boat Slips / Launch keys access fobs

Thus far, 30 keys for the OTIA Boat launch have been distributed. Boat launch keys are also still available and will remain the same cost at \$25 for the year. As of June 3rd, 11 of the Oak Terrace community pier boat slips have been rented leaving two available. The cost of a slip is \$300 for the year.

Beach park access fobs were due to be replaced this year. We were aiming to have this complete by April 1st 2020. Due to Covid-19, the Board agreed to postpone this re-programming and re-issuance of fobs until 2021. Any resident that currently needs a fob, please contact Ken Hohs as he will be distributing Boat launch keys and Fobs for the 2020 season. Residents can email Ken at kenhohs22@gmail.com or call/text 847-732-7370. Keys, slips and fobs are only available to Members in good standing.

Beach park phone and signage

In accordance with agreement and compliance, the beach park phone has been removed, the phone line disconnected and as a final payment had been made, a credit was received. With the credited funds, three signs totaling \$45 were purchased, two signs reading 'CELL PHONE REQUIRED' to be placed by the gate and where the emergency phone was previously placed. One sign reading 'PLEASE REMEMBER TO CLOSE AND LOCK THE GATE' to be placed by the entrance/exit.

Beach park rules and FOB agreement

A motion was approved (Feb meeting) to remove the 'No fishing' rule from the Boat slip rental and FOB agreement forms.



*** Please note that the Beach Park is a 'No Dogs Allowed' space. Please utilize the two other neighborhood parks, Hansen and Lakeview. Also, Do NOT park under the 'No Parking anytime' signs around the Beach park, this area is to be kept clear for emergency vehicles and boat launching!



Beach Park Porta potty

The Board had budgeted \$545 to have a Porta potty at the Beach park for 4 months (Memorial day to Labor day). Due to additional cleaning requirements surrounding the Covid-19 Pandemic, the price has increased to \$665. The Board approved the additional cost and the Porta potty has been installed

Parks and maintenance

A Big thank you to Dave Gnadl for replacing the Water Ski bouys with new ones this year. Thank you also to Rich Rieck and Ken Hohs for placing the Swim area bouys and Swim raft . We appreciate it!

Please visit our website for the complete June 3rd meeting minutes and other pertinent Oak Terrace information and resources



**OAK TERRACE 2020
CALENDAR OF
EVENTS:**

TBD: SNOW MAN BUILD OFF

APRIL 11: EASTER PARADE

APRIL 18: SPRING CLEAN UP

MAY 16/17: COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

JULY 11: SUMMER FEST

**SEPTEMBER:
OKTOBERFEST
TBD**

OCTOBER 31: TRICK OR TREAT

NOVEMBER 26: TURKEY TROT



**2020 OAK TERRACE
BOARD MEETING
DATES**

FEBRUARY 5TH

APRIL 1ST

JUNE 3RD

AUGUST 5TH

OCTOBER 7TH

ANNUAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 4TH

DECEMBER 2ND

