

Twelve Oaks Acorn

Twelve Oaks Civic Association

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TOCA Meeting and Volunteer Reception

“...No matter how big government gets, and no matter how many services it provides, it can never take the place of volunteers.” (Ronald Regan)

Hillsborough County Commissioner Kevin Beckner, will recognize Twelve Oaks' community volunteers at the May 24 TOCA General Membership meeting. Volunteers improve the quality of life for our residents by performing valuable public service projects and / or serving in various community organizations. Twelve Oaks volunteers include: TOSD Trustees, TOCA Directors, Neighborhood Watch volunteers, our Webmaster, and residents who helped with the luminary distribution, holiday decorating, membership drive, "A Pawfect Valentine", the community clean-up (Dumpster Day), the Florida Coastal Cleanup, and the Great American Cleanup.

Jim Blinks and Paul Morales, Hillsborough County Code Enforcement Investigators, have been invited to be guest speakers. Vacant homes with over-grown yards and "green" swimming pools are problems not only in Twelve Oaks but everywhere. They will be on hand to answer resident's questions pertaining to these problems and other County Code issues.

The event begins at 7:00 P.M. allowing time for volunteers and residents to enjoy the usual array of good food, desserts, and drinks. The minutes of the April 26th TOCA business meeting and the current treasurer's report will be available. Drawings for door prizes will be held throughout the evening. TOCA meetings are open to all residents – homeowners and renters.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:
TOCA Meeting
Tuesday, May 24th, 7:00 P.M.
Recreation Center — Morgan Woods School

TOCA Membership

Linda Mann, TOCA's Membership Director, has put together a team of dedicated volunteers for a door-to-door membership drive during April and May. These volunteers are walking around our community calling on residents who have not paid membership dues for 2011. Their efforts are paying off and they are appreciated. There are 994 homes in Twelve Oaks and we currently have 387 members. If you have not joined or renewed your TOCA membership, please do it today. Complete the application on page 4 in this issue of the Acorn and mail it along with your check made out to TOCA @ P.O. Box 261012 Tampa, FL. 33685. With your financial participation and the dedicated efforts of volunteers, the Twelve Oaks Civic Association (TOCA) has and will continue to make noticeable improvements in our neighborhood.

The Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners and the Office of Neighborhood Relations recognized Twelve Oaks for having the "2010 Best Website" in Hillsborough County. The presentation to Rosemarie Middleton, TOCA President, took place at the awards luncheon during the Annual Neighborhoods Conference that was held April 2. TOCA would like to recognize and thank Julie Hirst, Webmaster, for her contributions of time and talent and her commitment to Twelve Oaks. Thank you Julie. You are truly a treasure. Residents are encouraged to visit the outstanding website www.TwelveOaksOnline.com



2011 Memberships received March 10th through April 6th

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Meetings and Business Hours
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May 11, 2011
7:00 PM

Recreation Center Morgan Woods School

TOCA Meeting
May 24, 2011
Recreation Center Morgan Woods School

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LUNCH AT RUBY TUESDAY

Ruby Tuesday

The Twelve Oaks Ladies Social Group will meet for lunch at Ruby

Tuesday located at 6254 GUNN HWY on Monday May 30th at 11:30 A.M. We would love for you to join us. Interested? Call: Marsha at 886-7323 or Rosemarie at 885-5753.

Thanksgiving is a day when we pause to give thanks for the things we have.




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Miller family, 6816 Mitchell Circle, for being the Yard of the Month recipients for May - June. They received a \$50 Lowe's gift card from TOCA.



Welcome Sunshine

Welcome New Residents

Eddie & Lindsay Boxquez.....8259 Malvern
 Eric Rivera & Yvonne Sierra.....7011 Summerbridge
 Samuel Maldonado.....7714 Palmbrook
 Ola & Megan Civil.....7305 Brookview
 John Diaz & Heather Kennison.....7509 Barry
 Shawn & Andrea Welch.....7006 Twelve Oaks

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO TWELVE OAKS!

You did it! You have chosen the best location in Town 'N Country for your home. I encourage you to become involved in YOUR new community. Join TOCA, our civic association, attend meetings, ask questions, and become a volunteer. YOU can make a difference. Take the time to read The Acorn, our monthly community newsletter, visit our community website – www.TwelveOaksOnline.com, and sign up to receive Neighborhood Watch email notices. These are the best ways to stay informed about what is happening in and around our community. Twelve Oaks Civic Association (TOCA) general membership meetings are held quarterly. The next meeting is Tuesday, May 24. We would love to meet you and welcome you. Questions? Concerns? Please call any TOCA Board member. You will find our phone numbers and email addresses on page 2 of this newsletter.

A Special Message To Twelve Oaks Mothers — Year after year, you've enriched your family with your warmth, caring, and gentle understanding. Time after time, you've drawn your family closer with a hug, a comforting word, or just a smile. Mother's Day is May 8th and this is the perfect time to thank you for sharing so much of yourself and for giving your family the special gift of your love.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY.

MAY DATES TO REMEMBER:

May 2 - 6 — Teacher Appreciation Week -- Teachers agree that good teaching is its own reward, but Teacher Appreciation Week is a great time to let teachers know how they have touched kids' lives. Remember to say "thank you" to your child's teacher sometime during this special week. Thank you to all teachers, especially to the teachers living in Twelve Oaks.

May 8 — Mother's Day
 May 11 — TOSD Meeting
 May 21 — Armed Forces Day
 May 30 — Ladies Luncheon at Ruby Tuesday
 May 24 — TOCA Quarterly Membership Meeting
 May 30 — Memorial Day



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TOCA News In Brief

All Americans, wherever they are at 3 p.m. local time, are asked to pause for a moment of reflection on Memorial Day to honor those who have died for our country. The National Moment of Remembrance is not a ceremony. It does not replace traditional Memorial Day events. It's an act of conscience and heart, respect and appreciation. It can be a simple gesture -- such as placing your hand over your heart or bowing your head in silent prayer. The Moment of Remembrance not only serves to remind all Americans of the importance of remembering those who sacrificed for our freedom and what it means to be an American, but also serves to make Memorial Day more relevant, especially to younger Americans. Twelve Oaks residents are encouraged to join in the National Moment of Remembrance and to fly the American flag on Memorial Day.

Twelve Oaks Volunteers will be honored at the May 24 TOCA General Membership meeting. The event begins at 7:00 P.M. allowing time for volunteers and residents to enjoy the usual array of good food, desserts, and drinks. See article on the front page. TOCA meetings are open to all residents – homeowners and renters

Morgan Woods School News – Important dates for parents to remember:

- May 2 – Students return to school
- May 11 – Early Release (12:15)
- May 20 – Spring Fling
- May 24 – Music Extravaganza
- May 30 – Memorial Day – No school
- June 10 – Last day of school. Dismissal – 11:45

A Summer Program for ages 5 and up will be offered at the Morgan Woods Recreation Center located on the north side campus of Morgan Woods School. For registration information contact Kim Cannella, Park Director, at 813-323-2082 or 813-801-6844.

Town 'N Country Garden Circle will meet Wednesday, May 4, at noon, at the Town 'N Country Recreation Center on Hanley Road (next to Webb Middle School). Election of officers, planning for the next year, and the annual plant exchange will take place at this last meeting of the Garden Circle until September. Lunch will be served to members and guests. Twelve Oaks gardeners are welcome to attend. For additional information contact Kay Griffith, Membership Chair and a Twelve Oaks resident, at 243-9584.

Visit the Town 'N Country Library: Book discussions, computer classes in English and Spanish, activities for toddlers to teens, and more will be offered during May. (NOTE: Library closed Memorial Day, May 30.) A master gardener from the Hillsborough County Extension Services will discuss growing America's favorite flower, *Roses*, on May 12 at 6:30. A book discussion on *A Land Remembered* by Patrick Smith will take place May 18 at 3:00 P.M. The Friends of the Town 'N Country Regional Library Bargain Street Book Store is open at all times that the Library is open with books at bargain prices. For information call (813) 273-3652, Ex. 2 or (813) 801-6722.

The Town 'N Country Senior Center / Adult Day Care program provides stimulating activities including health, wellness, and educational programs, opportunities for socialization, and nutritious meals in an enriched environment for active adults and senior citizens. The Center, located on the first floor of the Town 'N Country Commons Library, is open from 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. Monday through Friday. (NOTE: Center closed Memorial Day, May 30.) Jazzercise, Zumba, Line Dancing, Tai Chi, and exercise classes are offered. On any given day, guests could be working out in classes or alone in the fitness center, scrap booking, watching movies, participating in crafts, playing billiards, Wii games, bingo, mahjonn, or card games. Special programs / events in May include the Book of the Month Club meeting, a Senior Health Fair including health screenings, an Armchair Travel to Spain, and more. For additional information about the Town 'N Country Senior Center or for class and activity schedules call (813) 873-6336.

Town 'N Country Youth Council will meet Sunday, May 1 from 2 - 3:30 P.M. at the Town 'N Country Regional Library located at the corner of Ambassador and Paula Drive. The Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners recognized the Youth Council as the "2010 Most Successful Youth Program" in Hillsborough County. The presentation took place at the awards luncheon during the Annual Neighborhoods Conference. The YC is open to all Town 'N Country teens ages 12-17 who are attending school. Teens interested in joining the Youth Council and having an opportunity to earn community service hours can obtain a membership application by contacting Cindy Baron at 886-8791 or e-mail ppbaron@verizon.net

Need Help? Who Do You Call? Contact the "Hillsborough County InfoLine" at 272-5900, a one-stop county service and information center! The center provides comprehensive information and referral to all government, health, and social services in the community. It coordinates government service requests and handles complaints quickly and courteously. Operators work with all county departments to ensure you receive accurate and timely responses. **Hillsborough County InfoLine – 272-5900 – Se Habla Espanol – TTY (hearing impaired) – 301-7173**

Twelve Oaks Special District	
Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 10/11 to 9/12	
Suggested Assessment for 2012 remains at \$120.00	
994 homes X 120.00 =	\$119,280
Less County collection expense	4,200
Gross Income from Tax =	\$115,080
MAINTENANCE:	
Maintenance – Contracted with Nanak	28,800
Emergency Repair Expense and New Projects	16,935
Maintenance – Lakes	6,720
Maintenance – Street-Sweeping	5,000
Maintenance - Utilities	<u>5,000</u>
Total Maintenance	\$62,455
SECURITY:	
Security – FHP Patrols	
(19 shifts per mo.x185x12)	36,000
Neighborhood Watch & Patrols	2,500
Total Security	\$38,500
ADMINISTRATION:	
Admin Expenses	8,125
State Required Audit	<u>6,000</u>
Total Administration	\$14,125
TOTAL PROPOSED EXPENSES:	\$115,080
NOTE: All of the above are approximations.	
Submitted by: James M. Fenimore, Treasurer Twelve Oaks Special District	

Your Tax Dollars At Work

The Twelve Oaks Special District (TOSD) is sprucing up our neighborhood. Work began in April and will continue through June. The yellow curbing and stripes around each of the traffic calming islands have already been repainted with reflective safety paint. The ironwork that is on the low walls is being ground, primed, and painted "black" to match the stripe on the walls. From April 15th to May 30th, the perimeter walls, posts, and entrance signs will be pressure washed, repaired, and painted. (NOTE: Residents whose property backs up to the wall are advised of possible over-spray.) In late June, the black and gold entrance signs will be refurbished. In addition, new shrubs will be planted at each entrance and on each island as needed. These projects will improve the look and feel of Twelve Oaks as well as help to increase property values.

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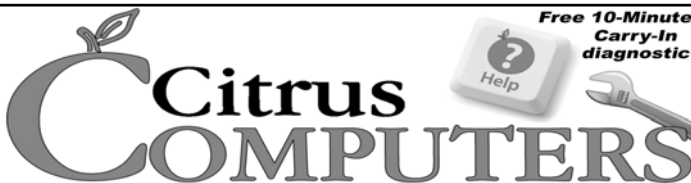
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