

News from Town Hall

May 2019

Town Hall

Town Meetings:

- May 9** - Neighborhood Watch Meeting - 6:30 p.m. (OMH)
- May 13** - Trailside HOA Meeting - 7:00 p.m. (HTH)
- May 14** - School Advisory Committee- 4:00 p.m. (OMH)
- May 14** - Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m. (OMH)
- May 20** - Deer Island HOA Meeting - 6:45 p.m. (OMH)
- May 21** - P & Z Meeting - 6:30 p.m. (HTH)
- May 23** - Johns Landing HOA Meeting - 7:00 p.m. (HTH)
- May 28** - Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m. (HTH)

HTH = Historic Town Hall OMH = Oakland Meeting Hall

Police Department

May 15 of each year has been designated as "Peace Officers Memorial Day". The week of May 12 - 18 is recognized as National Police Week. There will be local, county, state and national services held throughout this period, in memory of those who lost their lives in the line of duty. So far this year, thirty-three law enforcement officers have made the ultimate sacrifice. One of those thirty-three was from Florida. The Oakland Police Department will once again take part in Orange Counties Memorial Service to honor those fallen officers.

As always, please be safe and remember to buckle up!!

Planning Department

In cooperation with the West Orange County Chamber of Commerce, the Town of Oakland has adopted a unified approach to doggie dining. This policy is embodied in an ordinance that will prepare the Town of Oakland for friendly but well-thought out provisions for dining with the pet dog. While the Town of Oakland does not actually have any restaurants at this date, we are eagerly anticipating our first sit-down restaurant establishment. We've recently updated our zoning code to permit restaurants to serve beer and wine by right in C-1, Commercial Zoning. With the "Dog-Friendly Restaurants" ordinance, the Town will be ready to compete in this highly competitive market. The ordinance passed the Planning and Zoning Board unanimously on February 19, 2019, and the Town Commission passed it at the March 26, 2019 reading.



Doggie Dining Ordinance passed.

Around Town

Jazz Night



Save The Date! Friday Night Jazz kicks off May 24 with its new time. The event will run from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Oakland Meeting Hall, with special guest, the Orlando Youth Jazz Orchestra. **Friday Night**

Jazz is presented by HAPCO Music Foundation and will run every fourth Friday through October. We hope to see you there!

Oakland Avenue Charter School

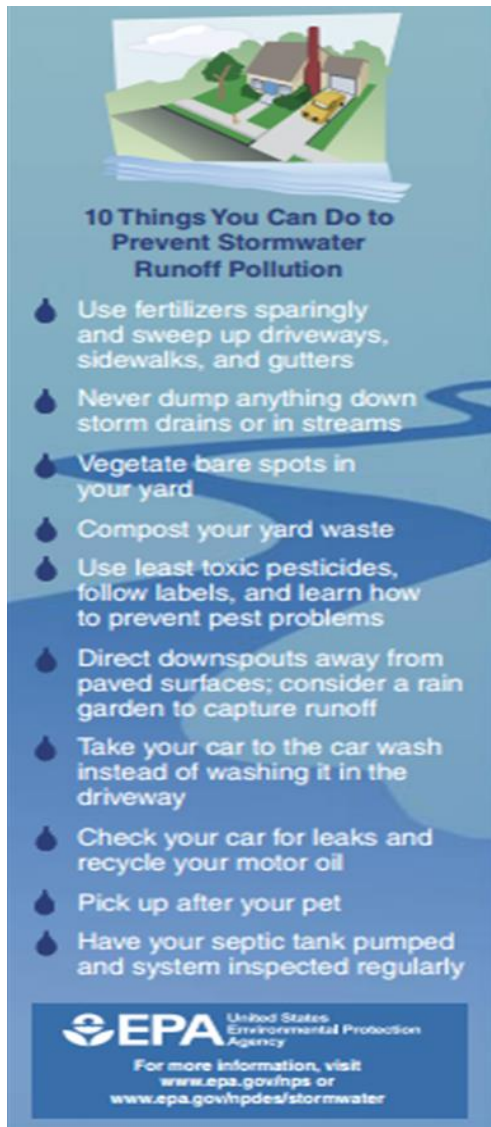
It's May and that means we are wrapping up the school year. The first two weeks we'll be finishing up FSA testing for 3rd, 4th and 5th grade. The annual Eagle Pride Parade is Wednesday, May 22 at 12:30 p.m. We invite all of Oakland to pull up a chair along Oakland Avenue near the school to enjoy the fun! The last day of school will be Friday, May 24. Have a safe, fun filled summer, Eagles! Anyone interested in enrolling for the 2019-2020 school year may complete an OACS Waitlist Application. Visit <https://oaklandfl.gov/FormCenter/Oakland-Avenue-Charter-School-5/OACS-Waitlist-Application-for-the-201920-77> to find the form, or contact the school at 407-877-2039 for more information.

Public Works Department

SPECIAL NOTICE

Stormwater Maintenance

A small maintenance project has begun in the area of North Daniels Street and Speer Avenue. The work consists primarily of re-grading of swale areas to facilitate restoration of historic stormwater flows. We anticipate the work to be completed well in advance of the onset of our traditional rainy season.



Spring Cleanup

The traditional Spring Cleanup underwent some changes last year. No longer does the Town place open top dumpsters at the traditional locations as we have done in the past. This worked when the Town's population and jurisdictional boundary was much smaller but is not the most efficient process anymore. As we did last year, the Town's contracted trash hauler will perform a special curbside pick-up on Saturday, May 11, and then again on Saturday, May 18, for our residential customers. Be sure to get items out to the curb before 8:00 a.m. or you might get missed. This is a great way to rid yourself of all the unwanted junk and old household items that seem to accumulate over time.

DO NOT place hazardous chemicals, old paint, electronic items, batteries, or anything else that might be hazardous out for pickup. The Town does not provide for pickup or disposal of hazardous materials. To identify and learn more about proper disposal of items such as these, please visit <http://www.orangecountyfl.net/watergarbagerecycling/householdhazardouswaste.aspx#.WrKKWS7wblU>.

Oakland Nature Preserve

Celebrating 20 Years of Education, Restoration, and Conservation



Save the Date!

Mark your calendars now for October 26, 2019, as the Oakland Nature Preserve presents the **2019 Oakland Heritage & Wildlife Festival**, located in Speer Park. Sponsorship and Vendor applications will be available on the 1st of May.

Summer Camps Filling Fast!

Some camps are now sold out. Register soon to secure a spot at <http://www.oaklandnaturepreserve.org/summer-camp>.

Youth Volunteer Opportunities

Eco-Interpreters

ONP Eco-Interpreters (EI) can be found doing a variety of tasks here at the Preserve! EI's main priority is engaging with ONP guests at activity stations on the porch of our Education Center. These include animal bio-facts and interactive games to help guests learn more about wildlife and the ecosystems where they live. Volunteers may also be asked to participate with special events such as Oakland Heritage Festival, ONP Open House, etc. Limited positions available.

- Must be 15 to 17 years old.
- Must attend EI and animal handling training.

(For additional information and registration, visit <http://www.oaklandnaturepreserve.org/youth-volunteer-opportunities>)

Volunteer Opportunities

(Pre-register at www.oaklandnaturepreserve.org)

- **Community Workdays:** Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.
- **Restoration Projects:** Mondays from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

Upcoming Events

- May 4 - Insect Safari
- May 4 - Visit our booth at the *Magnolia Blue Grass Festival*, Magnolia Park, 2929 S Binion Rd, Apopka
- May 11 - Blue Hike
- May 18 - Firefly Hike (*sold out*)

****Follow us on Facebook to see everything that is happening at YOUR Nature Preserve!**