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# Oak Ridge Homeowners Association, Inc.

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## Why repave now?

### Current Events

- **BLOCK PARTY** The Oak Ridge exploratory committee continues to seek volunteers.
- **Road to Progress—Overview** APasco County Ballots mailed to parcel owners. Last day to cast a vote-May 7, 2010
- **Road to Progress - Copperfield** Parcel owners approve the repaving, scheduled for Pasco County Commissioners' vote May 25, 2010.
- **Road to Progress—Millstone** Voting received to date running 2 to 1 FOR the repaving. Last day to cast a ballot-April 31, 2010
- **CCW group forming.** Looking for additional Oak Ridge members who would be interested in attending a group class. Contact [myorha@myorha.org](mailto:myorha@myorha.org) if you're interested.

The short answer is repaving will cost us a lot more in the future.

The Florida DOT (FDOT) produced a report on highway construction costs, two crucial excerpts from the report help paint the picture:

"it appears unlikely that oil prices, and by relationship, prices of diesel fuel and asphalt, will fall significantly any time soon. It is more likely that the price of oil will fluctuate between \$55 and \$65 per barrel, with occasional spikes above this range, triggered by any number of global climatic, political, and/or economic events"

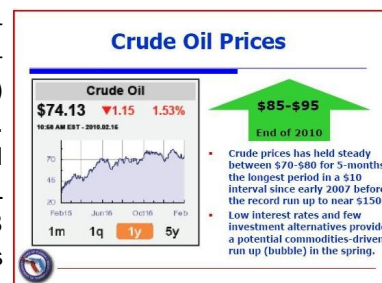
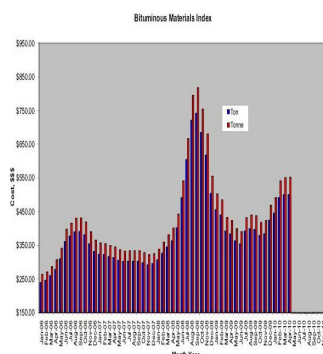
"Despite recent observations that the upward pressure on highway construction costs is lessening, the indications are that FDOT will continue to face higher rates

of construction cost growth moving forward than it was used to prior to 2004. Projected population growth in the State of Florida is such that the slow down in residential construction is likely to be short-lived."

<http://www.dot.state.fl.us/planning/policy/costs/Update-0407.pdf>

The graphs at right give an indication where the price of oil and asphalt (Bituminous) are heading.

Our roads are at end of life and there is a unique opportunity to refresh the asphalt on the existing roadbed. Group 1 (Copperfield) has voted FOR repaving. Group 2 (Millstone) is well on it way with voting 2 to 1 FOR the repaving. Group 3 (Overview) voting has started.



## ROAD TO PROGRESS-Copperfield, Millstone and Overview

The ORHA paving committee handling the Copperfield (Group 1) and Millstone (Group 2) entrances are having great success. Copperfield has obtained the required 50% approval from the parcel owners. Group 2, Millstone, is well on their way to accomplishing the same, with a

voting response of 2 to 1 voting FOR the repaving. As of this writing, Overview (Group 3) parcel owners have been mailed the Pasco County ballots this week.

You can find more details at the web site:  
<http://www.myorha.org/roadToProgress.htm> and  
<http://www.myorha.org/roadToProgressFAQ.htm>

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## Pasco County Fire protection—Life saving emergency services

By Doug Lines  
Contributing Editor

According to Mr. **Mike Ciccarello**, Assistant Fire Chief of Operations, at the Pasco County Fire Department, here is the fire response protocol that is in place for Oak Ridge fire protection and what we could expect from the call for help.

The initial call to 911 will route the call to the appropriate fire station that responds to our area. Our closest fire station is #17 on Seven Springs Boulevard.

All fire calls are treated the same and the fire department dispatches two fire engines, two rescue units, and a Battalion Chief. The two fire engines each carry 750 gallons of water.

Upon the arrival of the Battalion Chief an assessment is made as to the necessity of additional water trucks being dispatched to the scene. If additional water is determined to be required then additional tanker trucks that hold between 1500 and 3000 gallons are dispatched. A fire truck has a

maximum pumping output of 1200 gallons *per minute*.

In most cases the pumping capacity required to battle a blaze is normally at a rate of 250 gallons per minute with two lines operating.

A common layman misconception is the water in your swimming pool. Swimming pool water **cannot** be used to battle a fire because of access and proximity to the fire. The fire trucks are also limited on their ability to lift the water out of the pool. The fire trucks must remain on paved road surfaces to keep the heavy trucks from becoming disabled.

Our Pasco County firefighters do an excellent job of protecting our community and we appreciate the information from Assistant Chief **Mike Ciccarello**.

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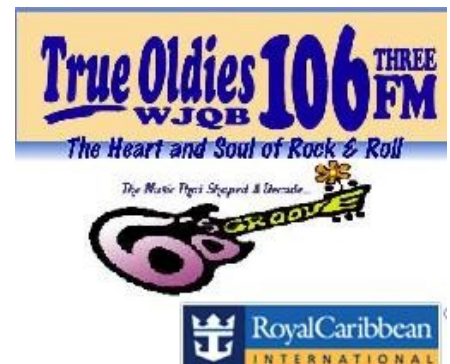
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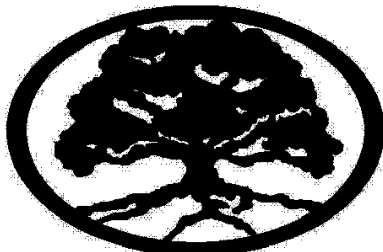
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Member Appreciation

## CCW—interest

Concealed Carry Weapon or shortened to CCW, a number of Oak Ridge residents have expressed an interest in obtaining additional firearms training and possibly obtaining their Concealed Carry Weapon permit.

Whether you are experienced or have limited firearms handling expertise, but have an interest in improving your firearms skills through training, we are interested in hearing from you.

Are you still 'on the fence' about purchasing a handgun? Revolver?

Automatic? Derringer?  
Lady Colt? .32 caliber, .40 caliber? 9mm?  
Hollow point? Soft point?  
Hydra shock?

You should join this group to get the necessary input as to why and what you should purchase for your personal protection.

Contact David Rosin,  
[drosin@dcrassociates.com](mailto:drosin@dcrassociates.com)  
for additional information and to place your

name on the list of interested parties.

When sufficient interest is obtained, we will negotiate with a **local NRA certified instructor** to obtain the best possible price on the firearms training that is applicable to the group.

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## Adding Appeal

Despite a weak economy, Oak Ridge homeowners are looking to put some time and money into their yards. A worthwhile investment as many foresee spending their summer vacations at home.

When designing any outdoor area, it's important to create a series of places that you can inhabit, whether it's a covered space to entertain in or a vegetable bed to attend to, said Sarah Susanka,

an architect and author of "The Not So Big House" series of books. Don't forget your garden's view from the inside either, she added.

"When I was designing my garden, I designed a view from my kitchen window," so it could be enjoyed while standing at the kitchen sink, she said. "If you can see something that you find attractive day after day, you're much more likely to sit out

there," she said.

And while many homeowners are making these outdoor improvements to their homes so they can enjoy them, they also improve curb appeal.

A well planned and maintained garden and outdoor area will serve an owner at the time of resale too, she said.

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## Are you a Class 5 or Class 9?

By Doug Lines  
Contributing Editor

Because Oak Ridge is not protected by fire hydrants we must rely on trucked water for fire fighting capability. Insurance agents may list the fire protection classification as a number 5 which requires fire hydrants to be available. Fire protection class 5 applies to properties within 1000 ft of a fire hydrant and within 5 road miles of a responding fire

station.

Your Insurance agent may have assumed that your parcel is a class 5 because we have a New Port Richey city address. Most (not all) Oak Ridge parcel's fire protection class is actually a number 9. Fire protection class 9 applies to properties that are beyond 1000 ft from a fire hydrant and within 5 road miles of a responding fire station. Fire protection class

5 carries a lower premium than fire protection class 9. Check your policy and determine the fire protection classification that is listed. We all know that insurance premiums are expensive, but if you are one of the unfortunate homeowners within Oak Ridge to have a fire loss you would be glad that you are insured with a correct fire protection class when trying to put your home and life back together.

*"It is the stated goal of each of the ORHA executives to serve the Oak Ridge Homeowner Association members".*

**Be a member.**

## Presidents Corner

I hope you are making plans to join ORHA for the 2010-2011 year and to attend the meeting of the ORHA members on Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at the **Loyal Order of the Moose, Lodge 1429, 1936 Abacus Rd., Holiday, FL 34690** (directly across the street from the Pasco County Public Library on Mile Stretch Rd), to help

elect the next President, VP, Treasurer, Secretary and 4 board of directors.

### AGENDA:

7:00pm-Call the meeting to order  
7:05-Pledge of Allegiance  
7:08- Introductions:  
7:15-Treasurers report  
7:25-President's report  
7:35- Floor open to Questions  
7:50-Nominations Committee chair

- Reading of the Slate

- solicitation for nominations

- Member Voting

8:28-Motion to close

8:29- Await a second

8:30-meeting adjourned

Look for additional information regarding the members meeting on the web site, [www.myorha.org](http://www.myorha.org)

### Top 5 things that increase home

#### Value

1. An updated kitchen
2. Modern bathrooms
3. A well-appointed master suite
4. Natural materials
5. Curb appeal



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## **Members Meeting—April 20, 2010**

The **meeting of the members** to elect Executives and Board of Directors is scheduled for Tuesday, **April 20, 2010 at the Loyal Order of the Moose, Lodge 1429, 1936 Abacus Rd., Holiday, FL 34690 (directly across the street from the Pasco County Public Library on Mile Stretch Rd.)**

You can join the Oak Ridge Homeowners Association (ORHA) online at [www.myorha.org](http://www.myorha.org) using your credit card, mail a check to the ORHA Treasurer, C/O Jeff Fontaine, 2225 Amity Ct., New Port Richey, FL 34655.

The current Executives and Board of Directors look forward to meeting you. Your help se-

lect new executives and Board of Directors will be solicited by the Chairman of Elections and Nominations Committee, to run the organization for the coming year. Please plan to attend for this important once a year event.

The meeting will also offer an open question and answer period following the Treasurer's and President's report.

