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Current Events

- This newsletter is online at www.myorha.org with a link on the home page, top banner.
- Community Yard sale—Bigger, better than ever. The key is advertising, (and a classic Model A Ford doesn't hurt).
- Road to Progress— Group 1
 Copperfield, job complete. Group 2 and Group 3 are pending Pasco County scheduling with the contractor, DAB paving. Group 4, Morningsun is pending the County ballot mailing.
- Christmas Eve Luminary December 24th is the date. Gentlemen, light your candles.
- Christmas thoughts— Prayers and well wishes to our Servicemen and family's
- What's the Poop? Someone wants to look into your septic.

David Rosin, President; Mike Brescia, Vice President; Julie Rosin, Treasurer; Gayne Roberts, Secretary

Oak Ridge Luminaries— Dec 25

Be a part of the traditional Luminaries on <u>Christmas Eve</u> luminaries are made from paper bags weighted down with sand and illuminated from within by a lit candle. These are typically arranged in rows to create large and elaborate displays. The hope among Roman Catholics is that the lights will guide the spirit of the Christ child to one's home.

Members and non-members of the association are welcome to participate to create a great festival of lights in our Oak Ridge Neighbor hood that will be the envy of neighborhoods that surround us.

Additional details and the necessary safety precautions are available at the web site: http://myorha.org/Luminary.shtm

You may purchase your luminaries from the asso-

ciation for a discounted price as a member. Non-members price is slightly higher.

Help light up Oak Ridge on Christmas Eve with Luminaries lining your frontage.



Can you or someone you know benefit by advertising with ORHA?

Product or Service.

Maybe just to say Happy
Anniversery to your
spouse.

WWW.MYORHA.ORG for details

December is the second Electronic Oak Ridge Newsletter

Your friends and neighbors who didn't 'opt in' are missing out on the happenings in Oak Ridge. We saved approximately \$200 in postage with the electronic mailing of the September newsletter and another \$200 with this mailing. In addition to the dollar savings, we help save the forest by eliminating the printing, folding and collating of 1200+ pieces of paper.

The newsletter is also available as a link on the first page of the website at: www.myorha.org.

The only planned printed copy of the Oak Ridge Homeowners Association newsletter will be the **April edition**, which will be published prior to the annual meeting of the members.

The June, September and December editions of the newslet-

ter will be completely electronic and sent to individuals who Opt in and provide their email address.

If you've already opted in, you will receive your copy of the news as you have in the past. If you not opted in, please do so at http://www.myorha.org/aboutUs.htm

The executives of the Association want you to remain informed on the activities within Oak Ridge and urge you to Opt in.

The link to the page that provides you the ability to Opt in, also provides you with the ability to give us feedback on any topic you choose. What is Oak Ridge doing right? What are we doing wrong?

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Oak Ridge Community Yard Sale—Big success, lots of people

The annual Oak Ridge Community Yard Sale held Friday, Saturday, and Sunday; November 12, 13 and 14 scored big for the residents of Oak Ridge. The St Pete times print ad in combination with the online edition of the Flyer and Craigslist motivated people from Pinellas, Hillsboro and Pasco county's to flock to tables at the multiple sales held the three days.

A Big **THANK YOU** to Oak Ridge Board of Director, **Joe Watkins** for getting the roadside signs in place and located just right to attract the passerby's.

Friday encountered a heavy traffic flow, much bigger than one would expect for a work day, and Saturday was double Friday's count.

Did you see the one person who placed his Model A Ford out front as an eye catcher? The people swarmed over the car and then, moved on to the tables where that Oak Ridge Resident cleaned up! Now that is smart.

The Association received one comment about the Craigslist ad. First, it was complementary (thank you), but the comment was that the ad was

'missing' the address of Oak Ridge.

Oak Ridge has 9 entrances spanning 2 miles and 3 major traffic arties (East Lake, Seven Springs and Perrine Ranch). Included in the Craigslist Ad was a Google map and each of the 9 entrances were pinpointed in the hopes that the potential yard sale shopper would visit each of the 9 entrances.



The Oak Ridge Resident did have a valid point and with next years yard sale advertising, I will pass this information on to the next President of the Association such, that the next ad will include some type of address. Thank you for your feed back!

Road to Progress— Group 1 complete

The newly paved roads at the Copper field entrance and beyond is a pleasure to drive. Gone are the potholes, cracks and deteriorating shoulders the residents in group 1 have endured for 10 years.

The State of Florida wants to look into your Septic.

Here's the poop-The Florida legislature passed a bill and the Governor signed into law. legislation the requires the Florida Department of Health to inspect your septic system. In 2011, the Florida Legislature is reviewing the impact of the Law they passed in 2010 with an eye to revising the legislation to minimized the impact on Florida home owners. Stay tuned in this breaking news in 2011.

Christmas thoughts

The holiday season affects different people different ways. Now is the time to find it in your hearts to have goodwill towards all men. Extend a friendly handshake to a neighbor you rarely talk too. Learn their names and invite the person from down the street, that you've chatted with briefly and liked so much, over for coffee or an evening drink and talk about their family and their friends to gain a better understanding of their position in life.

Hug someone you normally don't hug (and get someone to take a picture of the expression on their face). You'll treasure the picture for years!

While war rages on in Afghanistan and brave service men continue to die in Iraq, I have a heavy heart for the families of these men and woman who are separate from their love ones during these holidays. I'm thankful for their service to our country.



I offer these thoughts in hopes that our neighborhood can become a little tighter knit, little more community, a little better interrelated such that when one of our neighbors needs us, needs help, we can be there. God bless all of the residents of Oak Ridge.



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President's Corner

Christmas is a busy time for all. I have been in Georgia for most of November and am only now making plans to return to Florida for the Christmas pageantry.

Our daughter is excited about hosting a Christmas eve party with family and friends and celebrating her second year in their new home.

May God bless you during these holidays and may 2011 bring you the happiness you deserve.

If you like, you may leave comments on your holiday celebrations and family traditions at:

http://www.myorha.org/aboutUs.htm

As always, if you don't know me, introduce yourself, my phone and email are on the web site: www.myorha.org

I look forward to 2011, the conclusion of my second term as president of this association and the meeting of the members in April. See you there.

David Rosin

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