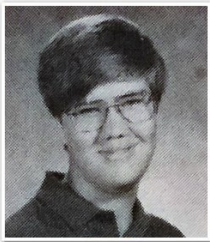


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Hey, Oakwood!!



So, we meet again, Oakwood!

I'm not going to bend your ear a whole lot up front here because the really good stuff is later in this issue. There's so much going on, and there aren't many sources better to get to know your community and what's

happening than this newsletter. I'm going to bounce across a lot of topics here, so buckle up!

At our February OHA Board meeting we were fortunate to have Westmont Police Department Sergeant Craig Gomorczak join us to talk about security around the neighborhood. He shared a lot of great information, but one of the big takeaways was that the best security for a community is vigilant neighbors. All of us should take note that the Westmont Police have a **Crime Tip Line at (630) 981-6310**, and people should feel free to use it whenever there is something suspicious.

Our social calendar is lighting up for the year. See page 2 and start blocking out your own calendar (**BACK COVER**).

Our Landscape Committee is in need of a new leader. After many, many years of tremendous dedication to our neighbor-

hood, Mark Nelson has had to move on, and we need help taking on the reins.

Our Annual Meeting is coming up in April. Watch for an e-mail blast from us updating the time and location, and a mailing will be sent out in advance, so watch the mail for an announcement / agenda / proxy form. We will have a door prize drawing at the end of the meeting for attendees (must be present to win), but also a drawing for a prize for a single proxy form winner.

Several of you reached out to me this winter with some challenges with snow plow services. There is a very nice letter on page 4 that I hope you take a moment to check out.

Steve Nero and Gregg Pill dominate this issue with a TON of exciting updates around the Village, **INCLUDING A WORLD CLASS WESTMONT UPDATE**, so if you really want to know what's going on you have to check out pages 6-11!

While not an Oakwood event, don't forget that election day is March 20th... one of Oakwood's biggest supporters is running, and while the OHA doesn't take sides in elections, this is a nice opportunity to support him in return.

On the topic of public service, in January I had to step down from the CUSD 201 Board of Education. The past 5 1/2 years on the School Board were an amazing experience, and while it certainly held a lot of challenges, it was an incredible experience and a way that I hope I was able to make a positive contribution to more of the Westmont community. I loved it and stepped down only because I needed to be able to dedicate more time to my family. Given the opportunity, I hope that some day I may have

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Oakwood - Community Updates

In This Issue:

Big things come in small packages! Here's a look at what you have to look forward to in this issue:

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Oakwood - Social Committee

We're well into 2018 and this year's calendar is taking shape. Update your family calendar to be sure not to miss the events below!!

2018 Oakwood Social Calendar:

- Annual Egg Hunt: Saturday, March 24th
- Fishing Derby / Beach Party: Saturday, June 2nd
- Annual Community-Wide Garage Sale: Friday-Saturday, June 19-20
- End of Summer BBQ: Sunday, August 26th
- Halloween Costume Party: TBD

Hey Oakwood! (Continued from page 1)

a chance to run again, but I wanted to thank all of you who supported me in running for that position and in my time there.

We have a new advertiser in this issue. Stephanie Kramer of Keller Williams Realty has a new ad on the page opposite this one. Advertisers help defray much of the cost of efforts like this to maintain contact with the Oakwood community, so we want to take every opportunity to thank them for their contribution, and to help make their efforts aid them in return. Our advertisers can also be seen on the Sponsors page on our website at www.oakwoodha.org.

Speaking of staying in touch with the community, I'm very happy to report that we have 374 people on our e-mail list right now. E-mail notices are one of the best ways we have to stay in touch with all of you and let you know when something comes up, and while we know this doesn't cover all of our residents, it's an amazing leap forward.

The 2018 Oakwood Homeowners Directory will be coming out later this year. Watch for the form to put your family in the directory with your dues notice shortly. Always be aware that there is turnover in the neighborhood, so we ONLY put people in the directory when they submit their information for the year. Being in it a prior year does NOT automatically put you in it this year.

Well, that's about enough out of me. Dig in and enjoy, Oakwood!



-Matt "I need to update my profile picture" Johnson
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Oakwood - Landscape Committee

HELP WANTED!

The Oakwood Landscape Committee is in need of a new chairperson. Mark Nelson has given many years of his time to this initiative and has helped bring about numerous improvements to the look of our community, but his time is being pulled in other directions now and we need help to run things.

There are only a handful of tasks that have to be maintained, but there is a lot of room for someone to really make this their own if they want to.

If you're interested in chairing or just helping out, let us know by e-mailing us at:

info@oakwoodha.org.

Thank you!

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Meet the Board

Name: Brian Stouffer

Board Member Since: 2017

Favorite Quote: "I'm a pessimist because of intelligence, but an optimist because of will." -Antonio Gramsci

About Brian: My family and I moved to Oakwood two years ago — we have three kiddos under five years old, so having a good neighborhood for the little monsters to run around in has been great. When I'm not chasing after kids, I work as a videographer and animator. And when I'm not doing that, I like to play ice hockey and occasionally sleep.

Why is Brian on the OHA Board of Directors?: A combination of my passion for representative democracy and the opportunity to sit in a quiet library for an hour a month.



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I would like to take a moment to thank all of you who have let TJ's Land Care service your lawn maintenance and snow removal needs over the years. Oakwood has been a wonderful community to work with, and we value your business. While we are gearing up for a new lawn-mowing and landscaping season, we wanted to take a moment to talk about this past winter. As some of you are aware, our snow removal service this past season did not really allow us to put our best foot forward. Unlike lawn care which is more dependent on the calendar (and occasionally on rain), snow removal creates numerous logistical problems, and worst of all, when it hits, it hits for all of our customers at once. This means we go from having no work, to having more than can be handled in a way that meets everyone's expectations in a very short period of time, especially for the larger snow falls. In addition, we make sure to let our clients know that our corporate obligations contractually mandate that they take precedence, and this unfortunately results in unavoidable delays for some of you at times. It is critically important to us that our client's experience with our services is a positive one, and that was at times not possible this past winter.

Because of this, while we look forward to being able to continue with your lawn maintenance and landscaping services (see our ad on the right side of this page for 2018 rates), we will not be providing snow removal services after this current season. We appreciate those that have hired us, and wanted to make sure that you had plenty of time to make arrangements for next winter. Should there be any other snow falls this season, we will do our best to deliver the service you expect, but we do appreciate your patience.

Thank you for this opportunity to be of service to the Oakwood Community.

-John Marotto

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Oakwood - Dining Around Town



It seems Westmont is in the midst of a restaurant renaissance as we may see the addition of 10 or more new restaurants in our Village over the next 2-3 years. With over 100 dining options, we have one of the highest per capita ratios in the suburbs. The first three

are featured below in ***Up & Running!***

Last year's Inaugural Westmont Restaurant Week will be back for the 2nd year running from March 2 thru 11. Last year, ABC7 and Judy Hsu picked up the story and featured several of our 23 local choices on television. Our goal includes even more participating restaurants and expanded coverage for this year's event. A full list will be posted along with menus on the Westmont Chamber's website.

We will also bring back for the 3rd year in a row, the Westmont People's Choice Awards. With 28 dining categories and over 200 voting choices, we have seen nearly 15,000 online votes in the past two years. This year's voting will be open from March 15th thru April 4th. The link will be posted on the Westmont Chamber website and winners announced at the Community Awards Banquet in April.

Stepping Out:

Easter Brunch is right around the corner and once again, The **Hilton at Oak Brook Hills** is setting the standard for Holiday Brunches and family gatherings. On Sunday, April 1st, two seatings (11:30 am and 2:00 pm) will give way to an unforgettable family holiday experience featuring a lavish chef driven buffet, a petting zoo, a children's crafts area and a visit from the Easter Bunny.

Look locally for more Easter Brunch opportunities!

The **Westmont Chamber** will host their annual awards dinner on Monday, April 30th at Oak Brook Hills. Tickets for the dinner event are available on-line at www.westmontchamber.com and the evening will involve several local groups making their annual awards presentations. Included will be the Westmont Citizen of the Year, Business of the Year, Public Safety Officer of the Year, Education of the Year as well as all 27 first place winners in our 3rd annual Reader's Choice Awards.

Up and Coming:

The Sweet and Savory Spot returns to Westmont after a brief departure and will occupy the location just south of the tracks in the old Brown's Chicken building. A focused menu, baked goods and catering will be the focus in this smaller venue. This will be our 6th new restaurant in the last few months to open.

Up and Running:

Zazzo's Pizza – Opening on Saturday, February 17th in the site formerly housing Pompei along with numerous other dining establishments, Zazzo's Pizza has been continuously jammed since opening. Attractively redecorated, Zazzo's is a second location following in the footsteps of their Darian branch. A full Italian menu with sandwiches, dinners and pastas, weekday buffet and all styles of pizza preparation has customers waiting in line most evenings.

Now Open #5!

<http://www.zazzospizza.com/>

Fremont Bar and Grill – Another sports themed restaurant and bar has opened shortly after the New Year. Located at the site formerly occupied by The Neutral Zone in the NE corner strip mall at Fairview and 63rd Street, Fremont Bar and Grill features a full menu, large beer selection, full bar service and 21 full size TV's!

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<https://www.fremontbarandgrill.com/>

DelCarmen Mexican Restaurant – A family owned Mexican restaurant at 214 E Chicago Ave. With 3 additional locations, **DeCarmen** brings experience to the food game. Seven days and a full menu.

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<http://www.delcarmenrestaurant.com/>

ItaliAmo – A new Italian fast food restaurant has opened at 6232 S Cass Ave. The site was formerly occupied by Stax. The menu is large with pizza along with many appetizers, pasta, panini and other Italian specials. Service is pick-up, drive through or limited standing.

Now Open #2!

<http://www.italiamo.com/>

Johnny's Blitz – A new sports themed restaurant has opened downtown Westmont in the space formerly occupied by LaLaLi Patisserie. The menu is simple and straightforward with burgers in the forefront. The gourmet burgers feature a 505 sirloin, 25% brisket and 25%

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short rib mix. On a fresh brioche bun along with nine different cheese selections including the rarely seen ghost pepper cheese, these burgers are delicious. The interior has an urban feel and I love the city-style front windows which will open to allow the streetscape in. *Now Open #1!*
<https://www.facebook.com/JohnnysBlitz/>

Gone But Not Forgotten:

Hanbun – last day February 2nd – will re-open in larger quarters

Tap House Grill – Closed on New Year's Day – the other 4 locations remain open.

Recently Reviewed (last six months):

Westmont Restaurant Week 2018 – release March 7th!

Westmont Restaurant Week 2018 Preview

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Chinese Kitchen	http://shawurl.com/384g
Bohemian Crystal	http://shawurl.com/37gs
Holiday Fare 2017	http://shawurl.com/379o
Grill 89	http://shawurl.com/36zn
Bakersfield Wood Fired Grill	http://shawurl.com/36cg
Katy's Dumpling House	http://shawurl.com/35rz
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Ultimate Guide to Westmont Pizza	
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Gregg Pill – Oakwood Resident



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Westmont News: From the Village Board



Hello neighbors!

I hope everyone is kicking off the year to a great start. Below are a few updates on items addressed at the Village Board and upcoming events.

Natatorium Construction

It is finally official! The Natatorium will begin construction mid-April. The groundbreaking ceremony is set for April 18th. This project is a huge asset for the Village and surrounding communities. Stay tuned for progress updates and more.

Business Publicity Grant Program

Earlier this year, the Village Board approved the Westmont First Committee's Business Publicity Grant. The program is designed for Westmont businesses to request monies to promote specific types of business-related projects, events and programs that the business is coordinating which are not part of their regular business operations. This grant is restricted solely to reimburse businesses for the costs of promotion for such projects, events and programs.

For more information visit:

<http://westmont.illinois.gov/documentcenter/view/958>

Grant application form:

<http://westmont.illinois.gov/documentcenter/view/959>

Insurance Benefits Cooperative

Recently, the Village Board approved a resolution to join a new municipal insurance benefits cooperative. This coop is comprised of multiple local governments that provides the Village better coverages and lower premiums. It truly is an innovative solution to an ongoing issue that will save upwards of \$155K annually in tax dollars!

Elevator Inspections

In January, the Village Board approved a contract with Thompson Elevator Inspection Services, Inc. to perform elevator inspections within the village. Previously the Village utilized the State Fire Marshal program, however their service level did not meet our expectations. The State had minimal staff resulting in businesses having unacceptable wait times. With our new service provider, business will pay the same and get vastly improved service.



Fire Department Annual Report

In February, the Westmont Fire Department presented their 2017 Annual Report. The report highlights achievements in operations, fire prevention, EMS and public education. Some of the 2017 highlights include:

- Received first ISO Class 1 rating from the Insurance Services Organization - a rare distinction with Westmont Fire Department possibly being on the only accredited department in the United States using part-time staff and having a Class 1 ISO
- Relocated Westmont's dispatch communications center from Downers Grove to the Addison Consolidated Dispatch Center
- Received delivery of a new 2017 Pierce Ladder Truck
- Received fourth reaccreditation from the Commission on Fire Accreditation International
- EMS Director Lynn Dralle received the 2017 Earl J. Field Leadership Award, which recognizes dedication to the promotion of EMS excellence

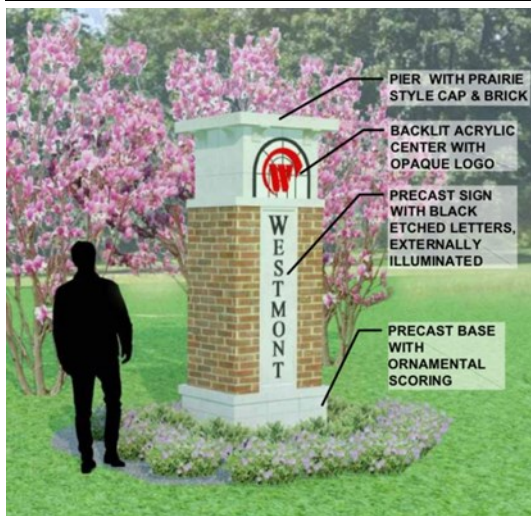
Check out the full report here:

<http://westmont.illinois.gov/DocumentCenter/View/971>

Citizens Fire Academy

The Westmont Fire Department announced open registration for the 2018 Spring Citizens Fire Academy. The Citizens Fire Academy will meet Tuesday evenings from 6PM to 9PM for five weeks from March 20th through April 17th. The Citizens Fire Academy program is designed to help citizens better understand the Department's firefighting and rescue operations as well as the multitude of services it provides to the community. CPR and first aid is also covered during the course. Participants must be at least eighteen years of age, of good standing within the community and reside

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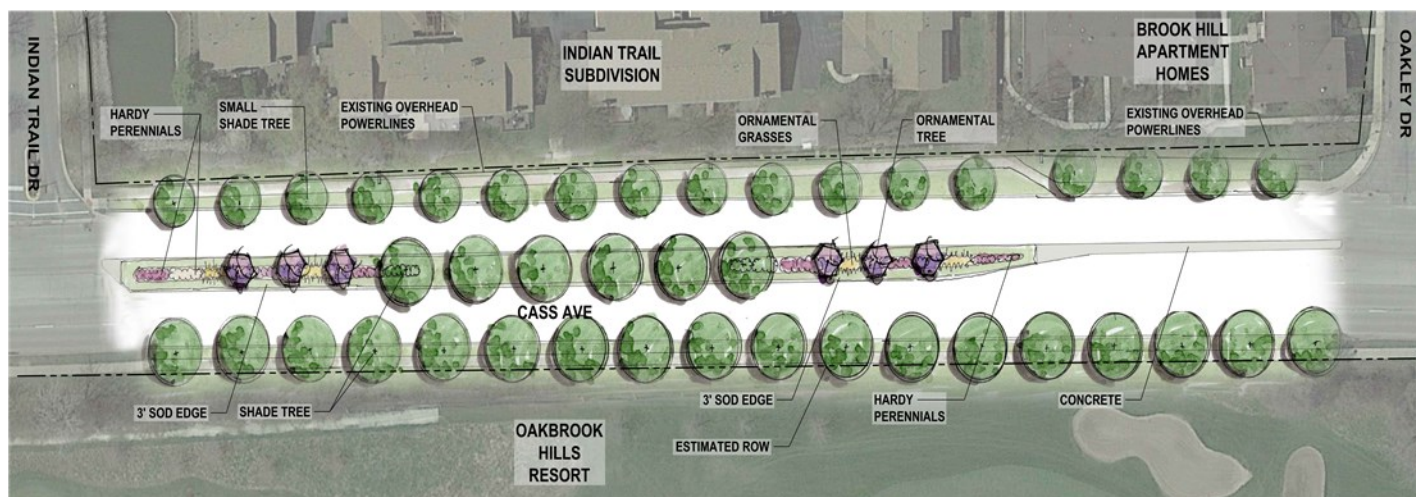
or work within the Village of Westmont. There is no fee to attend. For further information or to request an application, contact Chris Hardy at the Westmont Fire Department, 630-981-6400 or chardy@westmont.il.gov.

Landscaping & Gateway Signs

During the last budget, we allocated funds for new Village gateway signs. These signs will be installed at the entry points to the Village. This is a big upgrade to our existing signage. Currently, the signs are in phase two of design. Expect to see them soon. (Images to the left)

Additionally, in an intergovernmental agreement with DuPage County, the Village was able to negotiate terms to allow the Oak Brook Hills development to maintain and install new landscaping on the median along Cass Avenue (south of 35th Street). Check out the rendering below. This will beatify one of the main arteries of our Village at no cost to tax payers!

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MEDIAN CONCEPT
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GRO-LOW SUMAC
Rosa rugosa 'Purple Pavement'
PURPLE PAVEMENT ROSE
PERENNIALS
Achillea 'MOONSHINE'
MOONSHINE YARROW
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Hemerocallis 'Little Grapette'
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2018 Green Speaker Events

After a successful series of green events last year, the Westmont EIC and Westmont Library will present the following topics this year. All presentations will be held at the Westmont Library:

- Winter Seed Sowing Class
March 14th, 2:30 – 3:30PM
Learn how to sow seeds in winter and make two mini-greenhouses in this hands-on class led by expert gardener and local conservation specialist, Pat Miller. You'll choose from herb, flower and vegetable seeds. Materials will be provided.
- Beautiful Gardens for Pollinators
April 24th, 7 – 8PM
Learn how to support bees, pollinators, and other wildlife by including well-chosen native shrubs, perennials and trees in your landscape. Native plants work in any type of garden if you choose plants well suited to your unique garden conditions. Master Gardener and author Beth Botts, a senior writer at The Morton Arboretum in Lisle and former editor and reporter for the Chicago Tribune, will provide tips.
- Energy Efficiency Ideas
May 8th, 7 – 8PM
Learn how to save money and energy with the ComEd Energy Efficiency Program. A ComEd representative will show you how to sign up for weekly usage reports, receive high-usage alerts, enroll in peak time savings to earn bill credits, or hourly pricing to shift electricity use when the market price of electricity is lower to save money and energy. Prizes will be given away!

Residents can call the Library to register or register online at westmontlibrary.evanced.info/signup.

Electronics Recycling Program

Every 3rd Saturday, 8am-Noon
at the DG Township Hwy Dept.,
318 E. Quincy in Westmont



Campaign Update - DuPage County Board

The primary election is around the corner! Please remember to vote early or on election day (March 20th). I look forward to the opportunity to continue to serve all Oakwood residents as their representative on the County Board. Please visit my website @ nerofordupage.com or Nero for DuPage County Board on Facebook to learn more.



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The Westmont Village Board meets every other Thursday at 6:00pm in the Village Hall. If you cannot make the meeting, they are televised and available on our YouTube channel.

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Westmont News: From the Westmont Planning & Zoning Commission



Go big or go home...looks that will be the motto for our next several months. But first a quick recap of the past 3 months beginning with December...

December brought the Oak Brook Hills Hilton project to a close, for the 2nd time, from a Planning & Zoning perspective. With over a year and a half of hearings and modifications by the Oak Brook Hills Group, we unanimously passed and sent this project to the Village Board for approval. The Village Board finished the year by approving the project.

To recap, a multi-story apartment building, new ballroom, golf cart storage facility, revamped parking and a World Class Natatorium are all part of the project. Currently, the Natatorium (Phase 1) is scheduled for ground breaking April 18th! This will be a game changer as far as putting Westmont on the map. This is a great example of the process as hearings were conducted over an 18 month period of time and many constructive changes were made after public input.

In January we had an interesting presentation from a home builder on North Grant Street. During routine planning, it was discovered that the property was home to a 100+ year old crab apple tree. With an average lifespan of 25-30 years, this may be the oldest of its kind in the nation. The builder agreed to move the home forward 10 feet to provide the tree the best opportunity for survival during the construction process. Once the tree begins budding, Village Arborist Jon Yeater will determine the sub-species and we may have a National Champion within our Village.

Finally, in February we supported the potential relocation of a Pilates Studio from Clarendon Hills

to Westmont. The new, expanded studio would occupy the old bank building (Don's Meat Market) across from Village Hall on Quincy.

As to my opening line, several major projects which could alter the face of Westmont are in discussion. With the Oak Brook Hills project close to a starting point, attention is being focused on the NE corner of Cass and the railroad tracks where a multi-story building is in the design phase. Relocation of the S-curve and parking lot next to Amber would also be included.

Another large scale project on the SE corner of Cass and the tracks will be previewed at the March Economic Development Meeting. And finally, the large scale project at 63rd Street and Cass Ave continues to move slowly forward with rumors of a P&Z appearance in the Spring.

The Village of Westmont Planning and Zoning Commission meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm in the Village Hall. All meetings are televised live on local cable access channel 6 and then replayed at 10:00am Monday through Friday. Agenda items are then sent to the Village Board with the comments of the Commission for final disposition. You can also view the agenda on the Village website – www.westmont.il.gov. The next meetings will take place April 11th, May 9th and June 13th – tune in!

Gregg Pill – Oakwood Resident



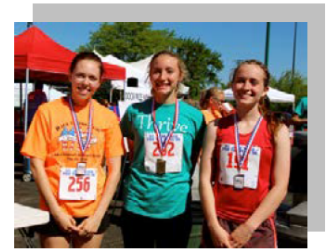
Oakwood to Host 5K Race in Support of People's Resource Center - PRC



On Sunday, May 27th at 8am, Oakwood will once again play host to the 9th annual Race to The Flag 5K Race. This the year, the race will support People's Resource Center located right here in Westmont. The race is part of the Red, White and BBQ Event hosted at TY that weekend featuring premier BBQ contestants in a sanctioned National BBQ Event.

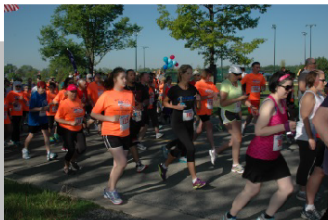
About the Event...

The 9th annual Race to The Flag 5K Run/Walk will once again begin and end at beautiful TY Warner Park and travel throughout the Oakwood subdivision. Part of the Red, White and BBQ weekend, race participants join the Lion's club pancake breakfast in the park immediately following the race. The event is a fundraiser for the People's Resource Center and is supported by many Westmont organizations and associations. Race to The Flag is a CARA & USATF certified event and the first 400 participants receive a beautiful race shirt, a breakfast ticket and sponsor information all while supporting a great cause as well as personal & family fitness.



About People's Resource Center....

The Westmont Park District Board of Commissioners has partnered together with the local nonprofit People's Resource Center (PRC) so that proceeds from the race can benefit neighbors in need right here in our community. As a partner in the community, PRC helps to meet neighbors' basic needs such as food, shelter, and clothing assistance services. In addition, PRC provides job, computer, and literacy training programs and art empowerment classes to help neighbors in need here in DuPage County...and they are located immediately adjacent to TY Warner Park!



Recap of 2017 Race....

- Honorary Race Starter – Judy Hsu from ABC7
- 424 registered runner
- Over \$7,000 raised for People's Resource Center
- Awards for overall male & female winner and various age groups
- Awards for male & female winner in 5 year increments
- Participants as young as 4 years old and as experienced as 82 years old

How to get involved....

Oakwood residents have many ways to get involved. All ages are welcome to enter to run or walk by signing up at www.racetotheflag.org. Sponsorship information is also available on the same website. You can also join us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/Race-to-the-Flag-5k-314886225193144 With the weather forecasted to be near perfect, take your choice. Set-up front of your house if you are on the race route and cheer The runners and walkers on or walk up to TY and join the festivities at the start & finish lines! It would also be nice for Oakwood residents to display the American Flag in honor of the event. There will also be a pancake breakfast sponsored by the Westmont Lions Club immediately following.



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OAKWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
 (An Illinois Not-For-Profit Corporation)

FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
 (With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

To The Board of Directors of:
 Oakwood Homeowners Association

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balances of Oakwood Homeowners Association (An Illinois Not-For Profit Corporation) as at December 31, 2017 and the related Statements of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Balances - Cash Basis, and Schedule of Detailed Expenses - Cash Basis for the year ended December 31, 2017. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of Oakwood Homeowners Association. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.


We conducted our audit in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 2, these financial statements were prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

In our opinion the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Oakwood Homeowners Association at December 31, 2017, and the results of its operations and its cash flow for the period ended December 31, 2017 in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 2.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information included in the accompanying supplementary exhibits is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information, except for the budget information, has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The budget information has not been subjected to the above-mentioned auditing procedures, and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Very Truly Yours,



Brad Kmetz
 Certified Public Accountant

February 21, 2018

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

OAKWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
(An Illinois Not-For-Profit Corporation)
Statement of Assets, Liabilities & Fund Balance - Cash Basis
December 31, 2017

Assets	Operating Fund	Replacement Fund	Total
Current Assets			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 52,041.18	\$ 0.00	\$ 52,041.18
Investments	0.00	83,512.23	83,512.23
Total Current Assets	<u>\$ 52,041.18</u>	<u>\$ 83,512.23</u>	<u>\$ 135,553.41</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 52,041.18</u>	<u>\$ 83,512.23</u>	<u>\$ 135,553.41</u>
Liabilities & Fund Balance			
Fund Balance	\$ 32,697.60	\$ 102,855.81	\$ 135,553.41
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	<u>\$ 32,697.60</u>	<u>\$ 102,855.81</u>	<u>\$ 135,553.41</u>

Oakwood News: 2017 Audit

OAKWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
(An Illinois Not-For-Profit Corporation)
Statement of Revenue, Expenses & Change in Fund Balance - Cash Basis
December 31, 2017

	<u>Operating Fund</u>	<u>Replacement Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Budget (Unaudited)</u>
Revenue				
Homeowner Assessments	\$ 57,974.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 57,974.00	\$ 58,325.00
Interest	0.00	783.38	783.38	1,020.00
Advertising	840.00	0.00	840.00	1,000.00
Legal Reimbursement	180.00	0.00	180.00	120.00
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 58,994.00</u>	<u>\$ 783.38</u>	<u>\$ 59,777.38</u>	<u>\$ 60,465.00</u>
Expenses				
Administrative	\$ 18,485.85	\$ 0.00	\$ 18,485.85	\$ 20,735.00
Repairs & Maintenance	39,160.39	0.00	39,160.39	39,730.00
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 57,646.24</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 57,646.24</u>	<u>\$ 60,465.00</u>
Excess (Deficiency)	<u>\$ 1,347.76</u>	<u>\$ 783.38</u>	<u>\$ 2,131.14</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Fund Balance:				
December 31, 2016	\$ 31,349.84	\$ 102,072.43	\$ 133,422.27	
Transfer Between Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Prior Period Adjustments	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Fund Balance:				
December 31, 2017	<u>\$ 32,697.60</u>	<u>\$ 102,855.81</u>	<u>\$ 135,553.41</u>	

	<u>Operating Fund</u>	<u>Replacement Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Budget (Unaudited)</u>
Administrative				
Accounting & Audit	\$ 3,250.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,250.00	\$ 3,300.00
Bank Charges	380.77	0.00	380.77	0.00
Committee Administration	108.42	0.00	108.42	860.00
Committee Administration - Social	4,316.82	0.00	4,316.82	5,450.00
Dues and Subscriptions	252.00	0.00	252.00	0.00
Insurance - Liability	6,398.00	0.00	6,398.00	6,500.00
Legal & Professional	505.00	0.00	505.00	975.00
Meetings & Events	681.31	0.00	681.31	1,150.00
Miscellaneous	52.87	0.00	52.87	0.00
Postage and Delivery	343.00	0.00	343.00	260.00
Printing and Reproduction	1,996.63	0.00	1,996.63	2,140.00
Website Development	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Office Supplies and Expense	101.03	0.00	101.03	0.00
Total Administrative	<u>\$ 18,485.85</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 18,485.85</u>	<u>\$ 20,735.00</u>
Repairs & Maintenance				
Repairs & Main. - Beach	\$ 14,130.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 14,130.00	\$ 1,500.00
Repairs & Main. - Lake Charles	17,483.25	0.00	17,483.25	17,200.00
Repairs & Main. - Easten Shoreline	300.00	0.00	300.00	650.00
Repairs & Main. - Common Area	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,680.00
Repairs & Main. - Irrigation	2,275.14	0.00	2,275.14	2,500.00
Repairs & Main. - Entrance	4,972.00	0.00	4,972.00	5,200.00
Total Repairs & Maintenance	<u>\$ 39,160.39</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 39,160.39</u>	<u>\$ 39,730.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>57,646.24</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>57,646.24</u>	<u>60,465.00</u>

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OAKWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
(An Illinois Not-For-Profit Corporation)
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2017

1. Nature of Organization

The Association was incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois as a not-for-profit corporation to administer and operate the property known as Oakwood Homeowners Association located in Westmont, Illinois, pursuant to and in accordance with the Homeowners Association Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The accounts are maintained on the cash basis. Accordingly, no liabilities or receivables have been recorded.

Fund Accounting

The Association's governing documents provide certain guidelines for governing its financial activities. To ensure observance of limitations and restrictions on the use of financial resources, the Association maintains its accounts using fund accounting. Financial resources are classified for accounting and reporting purposes in the following funds established according to their nature and purpose:

Operating Fund - This fund is used to account for financial resources available for the general operations of the association.

Replacement Fund - This fund is used to accumulate financial resources designated for future major repairs and replacements.

Cash Equivalents

The Association considers all highly liquid instruments with maturities of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents; these are typically used for the Operating Fund. Cash balances do not exceed insured limits for federal deposit insurance at any one bank.

Estimates and Assumptions

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Since these financial statements have been prepared on the cash basis, no liabilities have been recorded.

Income Taxes

The Association has the option to file income tax returns as a homeowners association under Section 528 of the Internal Revenue Code, or as a regular corporation.

For the year ended December 31, 2017, the Association has elected to file as a regular corporation. This will allow the Association to pay the least tax possible.

For the year ended December 31, 2017, the Association had a loss, and has elected to carry the loss forward. These returns will be filed by the Association and are due by March 15, 2018.

Property and Equipment

Real property and common areas acquired from the developer and related improvements to such property are not recorded in the Association's financial statements as assets because those properties are owned by the individual unit owners in common and not by the Association. There were no such items added during the 2017 year.

Member Assessments

Association members are subject to yearly assessments to provide funds for the Association's operating expenses, future capital acquisitions, and major repairs and replacements. Assessments for the year ended December 31, 2017 were made on the basis of a budget of operating expenses adopted by the Board of Directors and allocated to unit owners in proportion to their relative ownership interests in the common elements of the condominium property.

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3. Investments

Investments held to maturity consist of four Certificates of Deposit with maturities typically in excess of one year. A \$6,080.98 Certificate is held at TCF Bank with an interest rate of 1.0% matures on 01/17/18. A \$7,921.13 Certificate is held at TCF Bank with an interest rate of 1.49% matures on 10/07/2018. A \$48,895 Certificate is held at Oxford Bank with an interest rate of 1.36% matures on 02/09/2019. A \$20,000 Certificate is held at Republic Bank with an interest rate of 1.391% matures on 11/11/2018. Funds of \$40,033.58 are deposited into a Money Market account with an interest rate of 1.00% at PNC Bank.

The investments are used for the Replacement Fund and are recorded at cost since the Association is on a cash basis.

4. Replacement Fund

Certain funds of the Association are restricted by the Declaration of Ownership as well as by Board designation for the long-term maintenance of the Association's common property.

The Association has not conducted a study to determine the remaining useful lives of the components of common property because of the limited amount of common elements. When replacement funds are needed to meet future needs for major repairs and replacements, the Association has the right to increase regular assessments, pass special assessments, or delay replacement unit until funds are available. The effect on future assessments has not been determined at this time.

5. Commitments

The Association has entered into various maintenance, management and service agreements for the upkeep and operations of the property.

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Please Join Us for the
**OAKWOOD
EASTER EGG HUNT**
Saturday, March 24th

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Westmont Junior High

All children, walkers and up, are invited to join their neighborhood friends in finding Easter eggs. Hunts will be grouped by age.

There will be a special guest appearance by the Easter Bunny!

Doughnuts, coffee, and juice will be served.



Don't forget to bring your Easter Basket to collect the eggs!

**Everyone who pre-registers will receive a special prize!
Please RSVP for planning purposes by Sunday, March 18th**

You can RSVP using the Google form sent to your email, this form, or by email. Also, if you are willing to help the day of the event (take pictures, help with the eggs, set-up, or clean up), please let me know that too. Junior High Students can get SSLC volunteer hours for helping.



For questions and to RSVP, please contact

Vicki O'Malley

423 Arlington Ave.

630-230-0235 (landline), using the Google form sent to your email, or vomalley@maine207.org

Family Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ E-mail: _____

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____

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I would like to help with _____