

# A C O R N



NEW YEARS EVE!!!



VALENTINES DAY!!!



SPRING BREAK!!!

Well we made it through another year, every year I remember that old saying "if I knew I was going to live this long I would have taken better care of myself!!!" 2011 was some tough year not only for our members but for the Association and the country. So many of our members were job challenged, so many foreclosures, so many leaving the community. Your Association became self managed in 2010 and passed the 1 year mark in 2011. While the process is still ongoing we are making changes in the Deed Restriction enforcements so as to be more stringent in enforcing them. While no one on the board wants to take someone to court if we cannot get the homeowner to attend to a matter that is impacting the community in terms of value to other houses then we have to act. I know that a lot of people lost their yards last year and it will take time to recover, but even the weeds need to be maintained, so please lets make 2012 the year that we all become responsible members and maintain our homes in a manner that reflects pride in your home, if all of us do this the community will shine. Editor

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## Special points of interest:

- Calendar of Important Dates

The Annual Meeting of Oakwood Glen Association was originally noticed and held in October 2011, at the meeting we failed to have a quorum (90 ballots) to have an Annual Meeting, the By-Laws of this community allow for the members present at the Annual Meeting may vote to hold the next Annual Meeting without notice to the other members. The members present voted to have the Annual Meeting at the regular November Board Meeting, the same By-Laws allow for a smaller number of ballots at the second called Annual Meeting however again we had only 38 ballots and we needed 45, so the members voted to hold the Annual Meeting at the regular board meeting on January 17, 2012. It is hoped that we will have the necessary ballots to hold the meeting. If we do not have the requisite 45 ballots then your Association must give notice again to all members, this by 1st class mail,

which means mailing to all 904 homeowner's again, this is expensive to do. And we will have to set another date for the Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting is an important part of belonging to this community. It is were board members are elected, it is were members have a chance to discuss with other members any ideas or problems that may need to be addressed by the board.

Please try to make time to at least return your ballot to the back park by putting it in the black mailbox there. If you don't know any of the people running for the board and need some more information about them please email me at [johnhill@oakwoodglen.net](mailto:johnhill@oakwoodglen.net) and I will let them know of your interest and they can get back with you about there desire to sit on the board of your Association.

We have some very talented people in this community and a lot of them bring their expertise to the board, your input is necessary and appreciated.

You can email any of the directors, John L. Hill, Barbara Yates, Greg Gillis, Janet Rolston, Patty Inzana, Paulie Nichols, Ken Foster, Chris McCormick by using the name and [@oakwoodglen.net](mailto:@oakwoodglen.net), this will get the email to them for them to read and pass on to the board. John Hill, is the President, Barbara Yates is the Treasurer, Patty Inzana, is Secretary and is now handling the clubhouse rental, Ken Foster is our security director, Greg Gillis handles the website for us, Paulie Nichols is handling the park and pool keys, so all of us are actively involved in the management of this community.

Thanks, John L. Hill, President/  
Editor Oakwood Glen Association

# **2011 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS**

**JANUARY 17, 2011 AT  
17902 HAWK HAVEN  
BACK PARK CLUBHOUSE**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR BALLOTS/PROXIES TO  
THE MEETING OR DROP THEM OFF AT THE  
BLACK MAILBOX LOCATED THERE.**

**YOUR INPUT AND INVOLVEMENT IS BOTH NECESSARY  
AND APPRECIATED. PLEASE MAKE TIME TO BECOME IN-  
VOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY.**

**THANKS,  
JOHN L. HILL, PRESIDENT  
OAKWOOD GLEN ASSOCIATION**

<http://allrecipes.com/Recipe-Tosca/Pinto/Recipe.aspx?RecipeID=16885&origen=detail&Servings=6>



## Sage Pork Chops



**Rated:** ★★★★★

**Submitted By:** Tiffany Nixon

**Photo By:** MilkshakeNHoney

**Prep Time:** 30 Minutes

**Ready In:** 1 Hour 30 Minutes

**Cook Time:** 1 Hour

**Servings:** 6

"Pork chops rubbed with a pungent seasoning of dried sage, salt and pepper are pan fried in butter until golden brown then simmered in a simple beef bouillon."

### Ingredients:

2 teaspoons salt	2 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon dried sage	1 cup water
1 teaspoon ground black pepper	2 cubes beef bouillon
6 center cut bone-in pork chops	

### Directions:

1. Combine the salt, sage and black pepper in a small bowl and rub on both sides of the chops. Melt the butter or margarine in a large skillet over medium high heat and saute the chops for 5 minutes per side, or until well browned.
2. Meanwhile, in a separate small saucepan over high heat, combine the water and the bouillon and stir until bouillon dissolves. Add this to the chops, reduce heat to low, cover and simmer chops for 45 minutes.

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# VALENTINE DAY 2012

Fun Facts about Valentine's Day, February 3, 2009 by Nina Spitzer

At sheknows.com

## WHEN DID IT ALL START?

There are various theories on the origin of Valentine's Day, but the most popular dates back to the time of the Roman Empire during the reign of Claudius II, 270 A.D. Claudius didn't want men to marry during wartime because he believed single men made better soldiers. Bishop Valentine went against his wishes and performed secret wedding ceremonies. For this, Valentine was jailed and then executed by order of the Emperor on February 14. While in jail, he wrote a love note to the jailor's daughter signing it, "From your Valentine." Sound familiar?

## MORE VALENTINE'S DAY-RELATED HISTORY

- The ancient Romans celebrated the Feast of Lupercalia on February 14th in honor of Juno, the queen of the Roman gods and goddesses. Juno was also the goddess of women and marriage.
- Many believe the "X" symbol became synonymous with the kiss in medieval times. People who couldn't write their names signed in front of a witness with an "X". The "X" was then kissed to show their sincerity.
- Girls of medieval times ate bizarre foods on St. Valentine's Day to make them dream of their future spouse.
- In the Middle Ages, young men and women drew names from a bowl to see who could be their Valentine. They would wear this name pinned onto their sleeves for one week for everyone to see. This was the origin of the expression "to wear your heart on your sleeve."
- In 1537, England's King Henry VII officially declared February 14th the holiday of St. Valentine's Day.

## CHOCOLATE

- Casanova, well known as "The World's Greatest Lover", ate chocolate to make him virile.
- Physicians of the 1800's commonly advised their patients to eat chocolate to calm their pining for lost love
- Richard Cadbury produced the first box of chocolates for Valentine's Day in the late 1800's
- More than 35 million heart shaped boxes of chocolate will be sold for Valentine's Day
- Over \$1 billion worth of chocolate is purchased for Valentine's Day in the U.S.

## FLOWERS

- 73% of people who buy flowers for Valentine's Day are men, while only 27 percent are women.
- 15% of U. S. women send themselves flowers on Valentine's Day

## ROSES

- The red rose was the favorite flower of Venus, the Roman goddess of love.
- Red roses are considered the flower of love because the color red stands for strong romantic feelings
- 189 million stems of roses are sold in the U. S. on Valentine's Day
- California produces 60 percent of American roses, but the greater number sold on Valentine's Day in the United States are imported, mostly from South America

### GREETING CARDS

- Approximately one billion Valentines are sent out worldwide
- Women purchase approximately 85 percent of all Valentines.
- Teachers will receive the most Valentine's Day cards, followed by children, mothers, wives, sweethearts and pets.

### AND.... MORE FUN FACTS ABOUT VALENTINE'S DAY

- In addition to the United States, Valentine's Day is celebrated in Canada, Mexico, United Kingdom, France, Australia, Denmark and Italy.
- The most fantastic gift of love is the Taj Mahal in India. It was build by Mughal Emperor Shahjahan as a memorial to his wife.
- Every Valentine's Day, the Italian city of Verona, where Shakespeare's lovers Romeo and Juliet lived, receives about 1,000 letters addressed to Juliet.
- About 3% of pet owners will give Valentine's Day gifts to their pets.
- In the US, 64% of men do not make plans in advance for a romantic Valentine's Day with their sweethearts.

Share these fun facts about Valentine's Day with a friend. Your sweetie might be especially interested in the last item.

**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!!!!**



## VALENTINE'S DAY JOKES

A young woman was taking an afternoon nap. After she woke up, she told her husband, "I just dreamed that you gave me a pearl necklace for Valentine's day. What do you think it means?"

"You'll know tonight," he said.

That evening, the man came home with a small package and gave it to his wife. Delighted, she opened it--only to find a book entitled "The meaning of dreams".

A guy walks into a post office one day to see a middle-aged, balding man standing at the counter methodically placing "Love" stamps on bright pink envelopes with hearts all over them. He then takes out a perfume bottle and starts spraying scent all over them.

His curiosity getting the better of him, he goes up to the balding man and asks him what he is doing. The man says, "I'm sending out one thousand Valentine cards signed, 'Guess who?'"

"But why?" asks the man.

"I'm a divorce lawyer," the man replies.

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A smart, handsome and sexy young man dressed in the most sophisticated manner walked into the bar. He noticed a woman staring at him without blinking her eyes with an open mouth. Flattered, he approached the woman and said in his sexiest deep voice - "I'll do anything you wish, beautiful lady, for just \$20 but on one condition." The woman was trapped in a moment and asked as if in a trance - "What's your condition?" The young man replied, "Tell me your wish in just three words." After a long pause, woman opened her purse, counted the money and handed it to the man along with her address. She then looked deeply into his eyes and whispered, "Clean my house."

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A couple came upon a wishing well. The wife leaned over, made a wish and threw in a penny. The husband decided to make a wish, too but he leaned over too much, fell into the well, and drowned. The wife was stunned for a moment but then smiled, "It really works!"

## OAKWOOD GLEN ASSOCIATION

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20	21—Board Meeting 7 PM 17902 Hawk Haven—Back Park	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29				

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:**

**OAKWOOD GLEN ASSOCIATION OFFICE: 281-251-1017, FAX 281-370-0739,  
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Animal Control	281-999-3191
Barbara Bush Library	281-286-4610
Harris County Sheriff's non-emergency	713-221-6000
Comm. "Don't Know Yet "	www.cp4.hctx.net
Field Reservation (Back Park)	281-251-1017
MUD Building Co-coordinator	281-251-5822
Republic Trash Service	284-446-2030
Hayes Utility (Water/Sewer)	281-353-9756
Poison Control	1-800-222-1222
Fire & Ambulance	911
Department of Public Safety	713.957.6192
Tax Office (License Plates)	713.224.1919
Animal Control	281.999.3191
Back Park Clubhouse Rental	281.251.1017 or email pattyinzana@oakwoodglen.net
Front Park and Tennis Court Keys	281.251.1017 or email paulienichols@oakwoodglen.net
Issues concerning the back park	281.251.1017 or email chrismccormick@oakwoodglen.net
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