

THE OAKRIDGE JOURNAL

ORIA EMPHASIS

Oakridge Neighborhood Night Out
(sponsored by ORIA)
October 12, 2019, 6 to 8 PM
Oakridge Community Center

**Free Hot Dogs
with All the
Fixin's!
&
A Hay-Ride!**

**Bring the entire
family!**



**Come meet your
neighbors ~
some of the
best neighbors in
Texas!**

**Share an evening
of laughter & fun!**



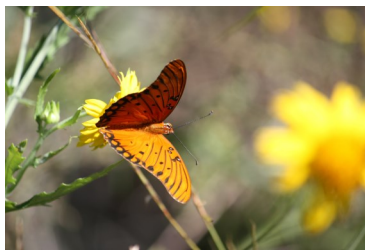
The Peacefulness of Oakridge Ranch

Thank you! Thank you!

A hearty "Thank You!" to the neighbors who volunteered and spent their time helping to repair our roads! We have wonderful neighbors at Oakridge who give of themselves to help where it's needed!

Remember: It's your annual POA Dues that funds road repairs.

Have you signed up for **CodeRed** Mobile Alerts? There's an "app" for that! Just connect with the Colorado County Sherriff's Office and get the app on your mobile device. To receive critical communications such as evacuation notices, bail-out notices for your area, missing child/senior alerts by phone, text messages, email and/or social media, simply click on the link below for the Colorado County Sherriff's Office and go to the section about CodeRed. It's easy! <https://www.coloradoso.net/>



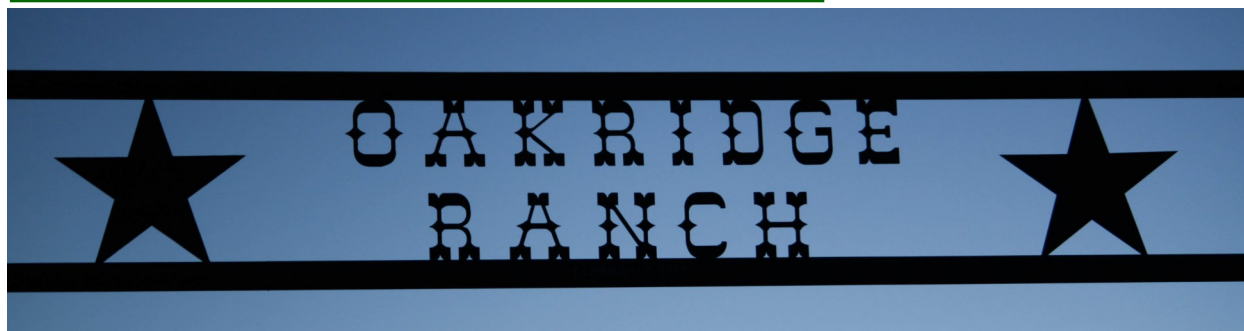
As a reminder: Oakridge Ranch Deed Restrictions state that no All Terrain Vehicles (those with handle-bars) are allowed on Oakridge Roads from October 1 through January 15.



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ORIA Board Meetings are the 2nd Sunday each month, 2 PM (except December) at the Community Center. Landowners are welcomed and encouraged to attend!



OAKRIDGE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



*OVFD Auxiliary Annual
Chili Cook-Off & Raffle*



Drawing, Auction & Chili Dinner

Saturday, November 9, 2019 ~ 6 to 9 pm

Oakridge Ranch Community Center / Station 10

Contestant Chili Cooking Teams are wanted! Contact Angie Konvicka at ruacajun2@yahoo.com to register. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place prizes will be awarded.

All proceeds go to OVFD. Come out and join in the fun with a Chili Dinner, Raffle & Auction!



Raffle Prize

Bad Boy 726cc ZT Elite
60" Zero-Turn Mower

Only 400 Tickets to be Sold!!!

Burn Ban Remains in Effect

The county-wide burn ban remains in effect. No open fires are allowed by judge's order. No brush pile burning of any kind is allowed. Please remember OVFD will be on stand-by for burning your brush piles once the burn ban is lifted by the county judge. Just contact OVFD by email (noted below) to request & schedule stand-by service.

To view the burn ban map that's updated on a daily basis for every county, click on the following link:

<https://tfsfrp.tamu.edu/wildfires/DecBan.png>

Come join OVFD!

An OVFD application may be obtained from any OVFD member. The application will be reviewed & voted on by membership of OVFD. No prior experience is required. Once approved, your training provided by OVFD will begin.

OVFD Invited to Training at San Bernard Electric Coop

SBEC will be providing training in November for all OVFD firefighters relating to downed power lines, maneuvering around them & avoiding them. Training will be held at the San Bernard Electric Coop site in Columbus and will also include how to handle burning transformers and vehicle accidents with downed power lines.

Know our equipment!

OVFD Tanker ("1055" to us at OVFD) - pictured to the right. The Tanker is used to transport water to a fire scene to be used by the Pumper, Brush Truck or UTV. The Tanker holds 1500 gallons of water.



Colorado County EMS has plans to take an ambulance around to the different fire departments in the county, including Oakridge VFD, giving all firefighters and first responders an opportunity to become familiar with the setup inside an ambulance, how to assist in loading up a patient or accident victim, etc. Colorado County EMS, the Sheriff's Department and OVFD are continually working & training to bring you the best in service & protection.



OVFD BOARD

Vernon Wallace, President
R. C. Lumpkin, Vice-President
Wayne Wolfford, Fire Chief
Dane Stewart, Asst. Fire Chief
Gary LaVergne, Secretary/Treasurer

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Weimar, TX, 78962**

oakridgefiredepartment@gmail.com



DEER SEASON CHANGES:

All deer harvested on Oakridge Ranch need to be checked in to a deer checker. A list of deer checkers will be posted at the North & South bulletin Boards. You should have received a list when you got your doe tag. **NEW THIS YEAR, CHECK IN DEER BEFORE FIELD DRESSING.** Repeat **DO NOT** field dress your deer until **AFTER** it has been checked in. If you wound a deer, let one of the checkers know. There are dogs and trackers available to help find your deer. **FYI: If you go across your neighbor's fence line without prior written permission, that is TRESPASSING. If you go across your neighbor's fence line without prior written permission and you have a firearm, that is CRIMINAL TRESPASSING.**

TPWD/ORWMA TEXAS YOUTH HUNT

Texas Youth Hunt Program will be held November 15 – 17. Approximately 20 youth hunters, along with 20 Guardians/ Parents and 4 Adult Sponsors, will camp out at the Oakridge Community Center. Youths will only hunt with their Guardian/Parent in a 2 person blind. If you have volunteered a blind, please make sure it is safe to use. Planning is still in progress, so watch your email and the bulletin boards.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

If you are interested in serving on the ORWMA Board, elections will be October 5th at 10 am at the Community Center. We are especially looking for a Events Director. Responsibilities include but not limited to planning and overseeing of ORWMA events such as Fish Fry, Ice Cream Social, Christmas Party, Youth Hunt Program, etc.

County Road 215 Clean Up is being planned for October. Date has not been set yet, but we will email and post on bulletin board.

Annual Christmas Party date has not yet been set. Watch your email and the bulletin boards.

Visitors are always welcome at ORWMA Board Meetings. We always need volunteers and we gladly accept donations.



<u>Hog Count</u>	
<u>2018</u>	<u>YTD 2019</u>
580	647
10 traps	30 traps

ORWMA Hog Busters are always looking for volunteers to help check, bait & reset traps, as well as help with the "Getter". See Doug Mason, JD Ray, or one of the Hog Busters for more information. We have a vest that will fit you!



2019 ORWMA OFFICERS

- President: Earl Fly
- Vice-President: Steve Jaap
- Secretary/Treasurer: Angie Konvicka
- Events: Jean Herring
- Turkey: Keith Peters
- Predator Control: Douglas Mason
- Birding: (vacant)
- Habitat: Vernon Wallace

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Archery: Sept 28—Nov 1, 2019**
- Youth: Oct 26-27, 2019 / Jan 6-19, 2020**
- Muzzleloader: Jan 6-19, 2020**
- General Season: Nov 2, 2019 - Jan 5, 2020**

Doe Tags from Oakridge Ranch MLD are required to take a doe at Oakridge.

MLD requirements for Oakridge landowners/hunters: all deer taken must be checked in at Oakridge by an ORWMA Deer Checker.

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