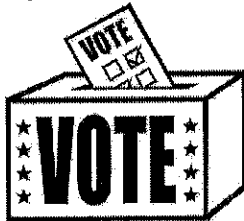


# City of Orchard Lake Village

## Quarterly Newsletter

### *A message from the Mayor:*



### Election Day, November 8<sup>th</sup>

Bruce McIntyre, Mayor

You are asked on your November ballot if you want to permit the sale of a piece of city property. It's on the ballot because under our City Charter the sale of such property must receive the approval of a voting majority of our citizens.

This land is the undeveloped end of a City street called Willow Lane, which is on the west shore of Orchard Lake. It is 20 feet wide and 40 feet long, and to the naked eye no actual street is visible. But because of the way the lots were laid out originally in this area, this 800 square foot intrudes sideways into a privately-owned piece of lakefront land.

The owner of the lot wants to sell to a buyer who will build a house. However the existence of this piece of street interferes with the best location for a house. So the City was asked to abandon the street.

The City received an appraisal that values this piece of street at \$75,000, largely due to the effect it has on the value of the residential lot that surrounds it. The owner planned to submit another appraisal but at this time it has not been received. Approval by the voters does not necessarily mean that sale will happen; it simply gives the City Council the authority to make the sale if a price is agreed upon.

**ONLY RAIN**



**DOWN THE DRAIN**

### Storm Water Management

Gerry McCallum, Director of City Services

Storm drains and roadside ditches lead to our lakes. Oil, pet waste, leaves, or dirty water from washing your car that enters a storm drain or ditch gets into our lakes and rivers without being treated. With almost four –five million people living in Southeast Michigan, we all need to be aware of what goes into drains. How can you help?

- **Keep it clean.** Whether in the street or in your yard, remember to keep leaves, grass clippings, trash and fertilizers away from storm drains.
- **Sweep it.** Do you have extra fertilizer, grass clippings or dirt on your driveway? Sweep it back onto your lawn. Hosing your driveway sends pollutants into drains that lead directly to our lakes.
- **Only rain in the drain.** Never dump oil, chemicals, pet waste, dirty or soapy water or anything else down the storm drain. All of these pollute our lakes.

For more easy steps on protecting our lakes and rivers visit the City's website at [www.cityoforchardlake.com](http://www.cityoforchardlake.com) and click on downloads for links to the watershed councils and SEMCOG' websites.

## What's New with the Police

### Department



Joseph George, Police Chief

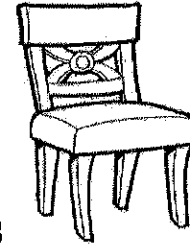
We have hired three part time police officers.

- 1- David Sims who is a retired Sergeant with Orchard Lake is a welcome addition.
- 2- Rick Mitchell is a retired Lieutenant with White Lake Police Department and the current Communication Director with Novi Police Department.
- 3- Garett Mallot is a newly certified officer and the brother of a Farmington Hills officer and the son of a recently retired Southfield Police Officer.

We have also gone through some changes in the office area of the Police Department. We were mandated by the State to have the Police Department completely enclosed and secured from the City Offices. We are also in the process of setting up a video system for the interior of the Police Department as well as for the exterior of the City Offices.

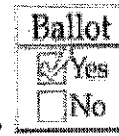
**CAUTION:** All area Police Departments have noticed an increase in Larceny from Vehicles. PLEASE make sure that expensive items are not left on the seats of your vehicle to be viewed. Take the time to secure these items out of the line of sight.

**SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES and/or PEOPLE-** Please call the NON EMERGENCY number (248) 975-9200 if you view something deemed to be suspicious. If you witness a crime in progress; please call the EMERGENCY LINE 911.



## Council Seats

This November two seats on the City Council will be up for election. Mayor Pro Tem, former Mayor, and long term Councilmember Jim Talpos' term will expire and the City Charter provision providing for term limitations prohibits him from re-election this year. We thank Jim for his long service. Councilmember Ann Hartzell's first term will expire. She and, Norman Finkelstein now a Planning Commission member, are the only candidates on the ballot.



## Sample Ballots

Sample ballots have been posted on the City Website [www.cityoforchardlake.com](http://www.cityoforchardlake.com) and are available from City Hall via e-mail or fax. The ballot contains partisan offices, non-partisan offices, and state and county ballot proposals. As record voter turn out is expected, the clerk's office encourages you to study the ballot in voting booth on Election Day.



## Sanctuary Tour

Naturalist Carol Fink will conduct a Fall Tour at the Orchard Lake Nature Sanctuary, 4700 Pontiac Trail, on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 2:00 p.m. It is a great opportunity to learn more about this pristine land in the City.

# City of Orchard Lake Village 2012 Calendar

## January

01/02/12 Closed New Years  
01/03/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
01/09/12 7:00 PM Sanctuary Board Meeting  
01/10/12 7:00 PM Tri City Fire Board Meeting  
01/16/12 Closed Martin Luther King Day  
01/17/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting

## February

02/07/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
02/14/12 4:00 PM Last Day to Pay Winter Tax  
02/20/12 Closed President's Day  
02/21/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting

## March

03/06/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
03/19/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting

## April

04/02/12 7:00 PM Sanctuary Board Meeting  
04/03/12 Yard Waste Collection Begins  
04/03/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
04/06/12 Closed Spring Break  
04/10/12 7:00 PM Tri City Fire Board Meeting  
04/16/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting

## May

05/01/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
05/21/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting  
05/28/12 Closed Memorial Day

## June

06/05/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
06/18/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting

## July

07/03/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
07/04/12 Closed Independence Day  
07/09/12 7:00 PM Sanctuary Board Meeting  
07/10/12 7:00 PM Tri City Fire Board Meeting  
07/16/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting

## August

08/07/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
08/20/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting

## September

09/04/12 4:00 PM Last Day to Pay Summer Tax  
09/03/12 Closed Labor Day  
09/04/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
09/17/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting

## October

10/01/12 7:00 PM Sanctuary Board Meeting  
10/02/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
10/09/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting

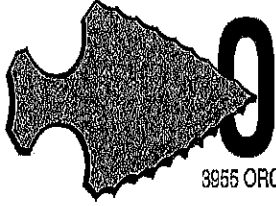
## November

11/06/12 Election Day  
11/13/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
11/19/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting  
11/22/12 Closed Thanksgiving  
11/23/12 Closed Thanksgiving  
11/27/12 Last Day Yard Waste  
Collection

## December

12/04/12 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting  
12/17/12 7:00 PM City Council Meeting  
12/24/12 Closed Holiday  
12/25/12 Closed Holiday

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## Reminders

- Please do not put your trash out for collection until Tuesday morning. This will help avoid litter on City streets and keep neighborhoods neat. **Last day for yard waste pick up is November 29, 2011.**
- Lakefront owners should be reminded that docks and hoists must be removed from the water by December 1<sup>st</sup>, under our Ordinance.
- Open House Museum Hours, Second Sundays, 1-4 p.m. free admission. (248) 757-2451



- **Trick or Treating-October 31<sup>st</sup> Halloween Hours** for the City of Orchard Lake will be from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Have a comment or complaint about your City government? The City Council meets the third Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and the Planning Commission meets the first Tuesday of each month, both in City Hall. You are invited to attend and share your thoughts.