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Important Orange County Fertilizer Rules

From June 1 through September 30: apply fertilizer with zero nitrogen and zero phosphorus.

From October 1, through May 31: apply fertilizer containing nitrogen only if it contains at least 65% slow release nitrogen. Always keep fertilizer at least 25 feet from natural water bodies. Always limit each application to 1-pound total nitrogen per 1,000 square feet with a maximum of 3 pounds per year.

Always use zero phosphorus unless a soil test cites a deficiency.

for more information, visit

www.ocfl.net/FertilizeResponsibly

https://www.orangecountyfl.net/

For information on Neighborhood Revitalization go to: https://www.orangecountyfl.net/NeighborsHousing/ CleanandAttractiveNeighborhoods.aspx

Clean and Attractive Neighborhoods Begin with You

Committee With

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Pine Castle Preservation Press

The Pine Castle
Safe
Communities
Preservation
Association,
Inc.

MEETINGS

First Monday of Every Month, Except Holidays, at 7 p.m. 5901 S. Orange Ave., Corner of Oak Ridge Road

Board Members

President June

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Secretary

Sandra Chandler

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Nancy Trout



Vision 2050 and the new Orange Code in Review: Smart Growth or Myopia? You be the judge – let your voice be heard. www.ocfl.net/vision2050

For videos of neighborhood meetings, go to: https://newsroom.ocfl.net/press-box/



Lake Jessamine Shores Residents Join Forces to Revitalize THEIR Neighborhood

Donating the materials and labor, a group of residents work together to build and maintain planters around entrance signs, remove blight, and seek enforcement of community codes, such as trash pick-up, and clearing of severely overgrown waterways and drainage ditches.

These planters will be popping up at the different entrances once Orange County approves and provides for the sign. Expected locations are Oak Ridge & Chipola, Oak Ridge and Makoma, OBT and Wakulla, and OBT and Woodsmere. If you would like to assist in the effort, contact Jackie Davenport at 407-855-8099.

~~ LOTS MORE TO BE DONE ~~

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO COMMISSIONER MAYRA URIBE

for the installation of the No Parking Signs on the swales of the entrances.

Hurricane Season is Here Plan for Safety

PREPARING AHEAD

Go to Ready.gov and search for hurricane.

Go to FEMA app for information about preparing for a hurricane

Evacuation Plan: Prepare and Practice going to a shelter. Familiarize yourself with evacuation zones, routes, and shelters. Plan for pets ahead of time.

Important Documents: Keep in a safe place and if possible, create password-protected copies.

Medications: Consider purchasing a portable safe (briefcase style) that you can take with you. Keep supply for at least one week that you can take with you or protect from the elements.

Supplies: Maintain supplies for several days, including non-perishables, water, soap, clothing, and pet food.

Alert Systems: Sign up for alert systems:

OC ALERT is an alert system that allows Orange County Government to contact you via email or cell phone text message during an emergency affecting Orange County. To sign up, go to OCAlert.net or https://member.everbridge.net/892807736724792 /login

PulsePoint Respond is a mobile app that supports first-responding agencies such as Orange County Fire Rescue. The app notifies CPR-trained citizens that an individual in a public area is experiencing sudden cardiac arrest in the event that they may be in a position to perform CPR until the arrival of emergency crews. The app notifies users through their mobile device which comes in the form of a push notification.

PulsePoint AED is an application that directs users to the closest publicly-accessible AED. The app enables users to upload the location of the AED, which is then verified, and becomes available to all users during an emergency. Today's AEDs are very user friendly, with many designed to provide clear verbal step-by-step instructions to the user.

Quick Phone Dialups

- 911 EMERGENCY
- 211 Crisis & Elder Hotline
- 411 Telephone Information
- 511 Traffic Information
- 611 Telephone Repair
- 711 Hearing Impaired
- 811 Call Before You Dig

For a County Directory and Contacts visit: https://www.orangecountyfl.net/ BrowseContacts.aspx

Protect Your Property: Inspect gutters and drains. Trim Trees if needed. Drive around your neighborhood and advise Orange County OCFL Alert of potential dangers, such as trash in drainage ditches, low cables, etc. Non-Emergency Number: Dial 311 or 407-836-3111. Online requests are available 24/7 visit https://www.orangecountyfl.net/Home/311HelpInfo.aspx

The Atlantic Hurricane Season runs from June 1through November 30. The Pacific Hurricane Season runs from May 15 through November 30.

Threats from hurricanes include heavy rainfall, flooding, storm surges, tornadoes, and powerful winds.

REMEMBER:

- *Listen for Emergency information &alerts.
- *When told to, Evacuate.
- *Use generators outdoors, away from windows.
- *DO NOT walk or drive through flood waters.
- *DO NOT touch electrical equipment.
- *Save calls for Emergencies.
- *Safeguard Documents.
- *Set up and test Family Communication Plan

Review insurance policies and make sure that you have the correct types and amounts of coverage. In the event of a disaster, contact your insurance company as soon as possible. For assistance options, contact DisasterAssistance.gov, visit a Disaster Recovery Center in your community, or dial 211 for a referral to community-based resources.



Insurance Scams

Entities pretending to be Citizens (Florida's "home insurer of last resort") are offering fictitious insurance products through a fake website that appears as if operated by Citizens. The site asks for credit card or other personal information for the purpose of issuing a new policy or paying a claim. Citizens does not sell property insurance directly over the Internet. The only way for a homeowner to secure a Citizens property insurance policy is through a network of licensed insurance agents.

Floridians with questions should contact their agent or directly: (https://www.citizensfla.com/contactus) or call Citizens at 866.411.2472.

Note: Citizens does not sell car insurance.

Commissioner's Corner Mayra Uribe, District 3



Dear Neighbors,

As summer comes to an end, it's a perfect time to reflect on the memories and experiences we've gathered over the past few months. From beach trips to family barbecues, summer always brings a sense of joy and relaxation. I hope that each and every one of you had the opportunity to enjoy the summer to the fullest.

With the arrival of fall, it signifies the return to school. While the transition from carefree days to structured routines can be challenging, it also brings new opportunities for growth and learning. We encourage parents, teachers, and community members to support our students in settling back into the rhythm of school life.

As school resumes, it's crucial to prioritize the safety of our children during their daily commute. Whether they walk, bike, or take the bus, we must always remain vigilant by being mindful of speed limits, crosswalks, and designated school zones. Together we can create a safe environment for our young ones as they travel to and from school.

As we look ahead to the upcoming holiday season, I am excited for the return of our annual turkey giveaways. This long-standing tradition serves as a gesture of gratitude towards our community members. I understand that the holiday season can pose financial hardships for some, and my aim is to provide support and nourishment for those in need. Stay tuned for more details on how you can be a part of this heartwarming initiative and make a difference.

Stay safe, cherish the moments, and get ready for the joyous holiday season ahead.

Warm Regards,





Mayra Uribe, District 3 Commissioner

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Pine Castle/Skylake Safe Neighborhood

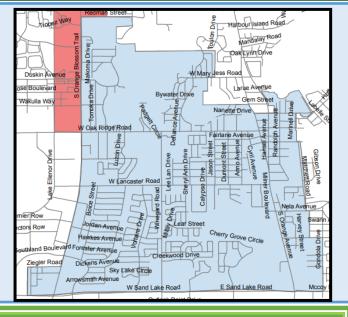
To the West Orange Blossom Trail, to the East City of Belle Isle, to the North Redman Street and the City of Edgewood, and to the South by Sand Lake Road.

Pine Castle Safe Communities Preservation Association, Inc.

Meets the first Monday of the Month at 7 p.m.
Pine Castle Women's Club
5901 S. Orange Ave. — Corner of Oak Ridge Road

Pine Castle Safe Communities Preservation Association, Inc.

is a volunteer association for Residents and Businesses of Pine Castle that is recognized as a 501(c)(3) organization.



Orange County Wetlands Conservation Areas Ordinance: Proposed changes for adoption in December 2023

- Identify & protect priority wetlands & surface waters
- Balance wetland protections with property rights
- Make processes more streamlined, predictable & consistent
- Make the ordinance easier to understand

For important Documents & Resources, to share an idea, or to Attend a Meeting, go to

https://ocfl.net/environment/wetlands.aspx
To speak with a specialist:

Dial 311 or 407-836-3111