





#### Call for Volunteers

We currently have an open position on the Board of Directors, as well as the Social Committee. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Board or joining a Committee, please contact our Association Manager Dawn Scott for more information and a Volunteer Form. ■



#### 2024 Goat Grazing

The 2024 Goat Grazing season is coming to an end at Whitney Oaks, but the goats are going to be revisiting some areas due to the rapid regrowth of the weeds. The purpose of the annual grazing project is to ensure that open space grassy areas are abated prior to fire season.

#### Advisements:

• Please do not place any yard clippings, pesticides, or potted plants in the open areas where herds will be grazing.

• Please keep pets and children away from electrified fencing, herds, shepherds, or shepherd dogs.

• Please be sure to protect any plantings within two feet of fence lines by trimming, moving, or covering.

• Grazing containment fences will be placed near fencing that is adjacent to open spaces. For concerns regarding fencing placement near your property please contact CAPRA directly.

Additional Project Resources: Grazer Contact Information: CAPRA - 916.952.4628

Association Management Contacts:

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#### https://whitneyoaks.org/projects/

Please visit the Whitney Oaks website for additional project information and updates.

#### www.rocklin.ca.us/grazing

Please visit the City of Rocklin website for general grazing information and Rocklin grazing maps.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



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# ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

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## ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT



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#### RockRidge Residents

In preparation for fence maintenance projects later this year, we ask all residents on Sterling Drive and Abby, Kensington & Lawton Courts begin to cut all vegetation away from wrought iron and wood fences. This includes all vines and potted plants. Look for more information soon on specific dates & scope of work!

#### Pool Season

The 2024 Pool season began May 1st and will continue through October 13th. The Hillcrest Pool and the Black Oak Pool will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. All members must have their numbered "**Member Identification Tag**" attached to their common area key to access the pool. If you would like to reserve the pool area for use you must complete and return the Recreation Facilities Agreement to Management. The reservation is not for private use and a maximum of eleven (11) guests are allowed. Please review the Association's Pool Rules for more information at <u>https://whitneyoaks.org/documents/</u>. ■

#### Springfield at Whitney Oaks

Springfield at Whitney Oaks is a sub-association within the Whitney Oaks Community Association. Springfield is a 55+ community Association. Springfield members pay dues to the Springfield association to maintain their common areas like a pool, bocce ball courts, and the Oaks buildings. Please be reminded that these areas are for the exclusive use of Springfield members and residents. ■

#### Architectural Application Process

Most exterior projects on your home, including fence replacements and staining as well as painting of homes (even if you are painting the home to match existing colors), require the Architectural Committee's review and approval before work can commence. Recently, Homeowners have been completing work on their homes without going through the architectural process for approval from the Architectural Committee. Architectural applications and the Association's Architectural Guidelines can be found on the Whitney Oaks website at https://whitneyoaks.org/documents/. Architectural meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month, via Zoom. For additional architectural application guestions please contact Dawn Scott via email at dawn.scott@managementtrust.com. ■



#### Pet Etiquette

It is a perfect time of year to take our furry friend for a walk. Remember all pets must be leashed and under the control of the owner at all times. And don't forget to bring some doggie bags on your trip. Your neighbors will appreciate the effort!

#### Blue Knight Community Patrol



24/7 Dispatch: 916.299.0911 Guard Direct Line: 916-512-5144 Please note that this will be routed directly to the guard on-duty during the timeframe that guard is onsite from approximately 10:00 PM – 6:00 AM daily. ■

Blue Knight Patrol has been contracted by the Whitney Oaks Community Association to review WOCA common areas, facilities and, street parking – excluding the Springfield Association.

Please note the Association is not responsible for the safety and security of residents, invited guests or personal property. In case of a safety or security incident please call the Rocklin Police Department – 911 or non-emergency number 916-625-5400. ■



Have questions about gate remotes, keys, or other access devices? Check out some commonly asked questions and answers on the Whitney Oaks website at:

https://whitneyoaks.org/remoteskeys-patrol/

While you are on the site, be sure to check out the projects page for additional upcoming project information.

https://whitneyoaks.org/projects/

# Whitney Oaks Wildlife Notes

## Ed Price

A few months ago, I wrote about the many Western fence lizards we see in Whitney Oaks. There is one other lizard found here that I see from time to time. It is the **Southern Alligator Lizard** which is found in the Sierra Foothills as well as along the coast of California. It often frequents urban areas with moist vegetation.

There are two major differences between alligator lizards and fence lizards in this area. First, alligator lizards are much larger than fence lizards reaching up to 12 inches in length from the tip of their snouts to the tip of their tails. I have only seen one that large since we moved to Whitney Oaks 24 years ago. He took up residence in one of our bluebird nest boxes near the house. I called him "Charlie" (see photos of Charlie below).

While fence lizards have a rough, scaly-looking skin, alligator lizards have a much smoother-looking skin resembling that of most snakes. In fact, I think alligator lizards look like snakes with legs. Although their legs are short, they can move very fast.

Like many lizards they can "drop" their tails when attacked by predators. Tails of many lizards have "breaking points" so that when attacked, a strong contraction of the muscles at these locations will sever the tail, disconnecting blood vessels, nerves and skin, a phenomenon called "autotomy". It is believed to help them escape from their attackers.

The diet of alligator lizards consists of small arthropods (e.g. insects, spiders, centipedes, beetles), slugs, baby birds and bird eggs. I have read they can eat black widow spiders without succumbing to their venom.

Mating typically occurs in April and May. Eggs are laid in May and June and hatch in late summer and early fall. Females lay two clutches of eggs each year and guard them until they hatch.

Alligator lizards can be aggressive toward humans. I once had one exhibit an open-mouth display toward me when I encountered it. Needless to say, one should not try to handle them; they can bite.

Going back to Charlie, Marti (my wife) told me she would not go into our backyard until I got rid of him. How I accomplished that mission is a story for another time.



