

Whitney Oaks Community Association October 2025 Newsletter



Happy Halloween!

Spooky season is upon us, and we're thrilled to see the neighborhood come alive with festive spirit! Whether you're carving pumpkins, hanging cobwebs, or planning a costume parade, we hope your Halloween is filled with fun, laughter, and safe trick-or-treating.

To keep our community safe and welcoming for all, please remember to follow the Association's seasonal decoration policies. Decor should be put away no longer than 2 weeks after the holiday.

Thank you for helping us maintain a beautiful and respectful neighborhood. Have a happy Halloween!



Board Meetings

The Board of Directors meets monthly to discuss community updates, review committee recommendations, and make decisions that shape our neighborhood. Homeowners are encouraged to attend the Open Session and share feedback during the open forum.



Upcoming Open Session Dates:

- November 5, 2025, at 6:00 PM, **and Annual Meeting (Election)**
- December 3, 2025, at 6:00 PM
- January 7, 2025, at 6:00 PM

Meetings are typically held at the Rocklin Event Center, located at 2650 Sunset Blvd, Rocklin, CA 95677. Details and agendas will be posted in advance on the Whitney Oaks Hillcrest Pool bulletin board and will be sent out by email.

2025 Pool Season

The Hillcrest Pool is closed for the season to accommodate scheduled resurfacing work. We are pleased to share that the Black Oak Pool will remain open through October 15th, following its usual seasonal schedule.

We hope you've enjoyed another great pool season!



Board of Directors

President Mike Miles
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A Moment with the Managers

We're excited to be part of your community and look forward to working together to keep it thriving. Thank you to everyone who joined us for the recent Welcome Event. It was a wonderful success and a great opportunity to connect with residents. Here's to a positive partnership and a bright future ahead!



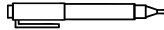
Architectural Review Committee

As a reminder to all homeowners, most exterior modifications, including fence replacements, staining, and painting (even when using existing colors), require review and approval by the Architectural Committee before any work begins.

Upcoming Architectural Review Committee Meeting Dates:

- October 15, 2025, at 6:00 PM via Zoom - [Submittal Deadline is October 10, 2025](#)
- November 19, 2025, at 6:00 PM via Zoom - [Submittal Deadline is November 14, 2025](#)

Applications must be submitted by email to Alla Kolesnikov, the Assistant General Manager, or mailed to 12009 Foundation Pl, Suite 310, Gold River, CA 95670 for consideration.



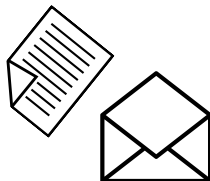
We appreciate your cooperation in maintaining the standards and appearance of our community.

Board of Directors Elections

The annual Board of Directors election is right around the corner! Homeowners can expect to receive their ballots in early October from our Inspector of Elections, Bellwether Election Solutions. We encourage everyone to take part in this important process. The

The following candidate names will appear on the ballot:

- Richard K. Abdalah
- Brooks Borrer
- Phillip M. Johnson
- Rich Jordan
- Simi Keechilot
- Stephen Montgomery
- Patrick S. Scott



All **Ballots are required to be returned** and received by the Inspector of Elections **no later than 5:00 PM on November 3, 2025**.

Ballots may be returned by mail or hand-delivered to **Bellwether Election Solutions LLC**, 1508 Eureka Road, Suite 230, Roseville, CA 95661.

Annual Meeting Information:

November 5, 2025, at 6:00 PM via [Zoom Link](#) or in person at the Rocklin Event Center – Garden Room, 2650 Sunset Blvd, Rocklin, CA 95677

Meeting ID: 826 2492 1952

Passcode: 366521

Mobile # US +1 669 900 683



Welcome Event - Hillcrest Pool - September 11, 2025

Security

Blue Knight Community Patrol

24/7 Dispatch: 916-299-0911

Guard Direct Line: 916-512-5144

Your call will be routed directly to the guard on duty during the timeframe that the guard is on-site from approximately 10:00 PM – 6:00 AM daily.

Whitney Oaks Community Association has a contract with Blue Knight Patrol to review to review WOCA common areas, facilities and street parking – excluding the Springfield Association.

Please note that 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 non-emergency number 916-625-5400. Of course, if it is a true emergency, please dial 911.

Purchasing Keys and Remotes

To purchase remotes or keys, please send a check made payable to Whitney Oaks, along with a note of what you would like to purchase.

Mailing Address:

Whitney Oaks Community Association (WOCA)
c/o FirstService Residential
Attn: Josh Peters, Alla Kolesnikov
12009 Foundation Pl, Suite 310
Gold River, CA 95670

Parking



Please be advised that street parking within the Association is not permitted between 12:00 AM and 6:00 AM.

For longer-term parking needs, please complete the Parking Variance Request Form available at:

- <https://whitneyoaks.org/documents/>

Guest Parking: We're happy to welcome your guests to our community! Guests may park on private streets for up to 72 hours within 7 days. Longer stays must be registered with Management (including make, year, and license plate). No parking in areas marked with restriction signs..

School Parking: Per the Whitney Oaks Owner Manual, parking on the private streets in the Hillcrest neighborhood to access to Rocklin High School is prohibited, including for residents of the Whitney Oaks community. To enforce this restriction street parking in the Hillcrest neighborhood (on Hillcrest Drive from Crest to Western Way (nearest Old Oak Tree), Vivien Way, Pheasant Lane, and Chasen Court) shall be limited to a maximum of three (3) hours per day on school days and during school events. Vehicles parked on the private streets in the Hillcrest neighborhood on these streets in excess of three (3) hours on school days or during the school events will be towed without notice.

California Native Plants Bring Color to Whitney Oaks Yards **Meghan Snow**

October through December is the perfect time to switch out that tired lawn for a drought-tolerant, colorful, native plant landscape. There are hundreds of California native plants that work well in landscaping, including California fuchsia, foothill penstemon, and desert globemallow. With just a little bit of water, native plants will stay green even in the hot summer months. Last year, this Whitney Oaks homeowner replaced their lawn with a range of native plants that attract hummingbirds, butterflies, and bees with colorful flowers. Not only did the yard meet all HOA requirements, but also qualified for a rebate from Placer County Water Authority. Native plants can be easily selected to fit the Home Owners' Association requirements, and once established, only need to be watered a couple of times a month.

Notes from Management: Any changes made to your front yard will need to be submitted to the Architectural Review Committee for approval.

AT&T Work Within the Community

AT&T is still completing work in the community. Crews will continue to connect fiber to prepare the neighborhood for broadband fiber services with near-gigabit speeds as an option to cable.

Some landscaping may be temporarily impacted. AT&T has committed to working directly with affected homeowners and will repair or replace any damaged areas. Please report any damage to the Whitney Oaks Management Team.

Watch for email updates with specific details as work progresses. AT&T will notify you when fiber is available.

If additional trenching is required to connect your home, you may need to submit an Architectural Change Application, available at:
<https://whitneyoaks.org/documents/>



Financial Committee Volunteers

With hopes to restart our Finance Committee, the Whitney Oaks Board of Directors is actively seeking volunteers. The Finance Committee is broad based and advises the Board on financial matters, including budget, through research and recommendations.

If you are interested, please contact our Community Managers for more information and volunteer requirements.



Mallow Root Design, Miridae Mobile Nursery and Terrain California native plants fill this Whitney Oaks yard created by Creations.

Whitney Oaks Wildlife Notes

Ed Price

A few years ago, I set up a trail camera by the pond nestled in the big loop on Clubhouse Drive to get some photos of a nesting Canada goose. To my surprise, my camera recorded photos of an **American Mink** (see photos). I had no idea mink were living in our neighborhood. I was also surprised to see a dead mink that had been hit by a car on Whitney Oaks Drive not far from Park Drive.

Mink are in the family of carnivores that include weasels, otters and ferrets. American mink have long slender bodies, 12 to 20 inches in length, not including a 5 to 9 inch tail. Their pelts consist of a soft underfur covered with silky brown or black guard hair. Mink pelts were highly prized in years past for fur coats and stoles. In fact, mink were raised commercially in the US until recently when the mink fur industry largely collapsed.

Mink are largely nocturnal so it is unusual to see them in daylight. Sightings are most likely near wetlands such as marshes, ponds and along rivers and small streams. A case in point occurred last year when I was hiking around Coyote Pond Park off Twelve Bridges Drive in Lincoln. On that day, I spotted an animal shaped like a mink swimming across the inlet of the pond (see photo). It promptly disappeared into a stretch of impenetrable briars along the bank of the pond. Thinking the animal might follow the bank near the water, I quickly made it to the water's edge. Unexpectedly, the mink came out of the briar patch off to my side about 10 feet away. There was no way I could move myself or my camera without alerting the mink to my presence. Sure enough, when I moved, the mink darted back into the briars.

Mink are aggressive predators and will sometimes attack and kill animals as large or larger than themselves such as rabbits and muskrats. Most of the time they feed on small rodents such as mice, aquatic animals such as fish, frogs, crayfish and salamanders and occasionally birds and bird eggs.

Mink live solitary lives most of the year in individual territories which they mark with a scent from their anal glands. Pairs form during the February to April breeding season. Males may mate with more than one female during that time. Litter size averages four young which the female takes care of herself. Young mink, called "kits", become independent about six months after birth.

I would be curious to know if any of you have seen a mink in Whitney Oaks. If so, I can be reached via my email at eoprice@ucdavis.edu.

