



# MIND YOUR MANOR

Orwin Manor Westminster Association Newsletter

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## HOSPITALITY UPDATE

BY BOARD MEMBER KERRY MERRIGAN FALCONER

Born and raised just outside of London, Kerry emigrated to the US in 1997. "I immediately fell in love with the American way of life and Florida living," she says "Growing up in a place where the clouds are grey 80% of the time, makes you appreciate Orlando's blue skies and sunshine." In 2000, Kerry joined a Winter Park investment firm, where she ran operations and compliance for the next 18 years, "During that time my entire family moved to Orwin Manor, my sister and I both got married, had children, and now you can find us on Wilkinson St., Westminster Ave., and my parents and brother on Indiana Ave. We all love Orwin Manor and everything it has to offer. Our neighbors, the proximity to Park Ave., Downtown, and MCO. We're always just minutes from anywhere we need to be. Like most families at this time, you can usually find us at home, but we love to spend time at local parks, restaurants and supporting local businesses."

In 2005, Kerry met her husband Zach while finishing up his graduate studies at UCF. Zach's from Boston, and they were married in 2008 at the same hotel, Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress, where Kerry's family had enjoyed their summer vacations when living in England.

Zach works from home, kept company by their Olde English Bulldog (pandemic pup), 6-month-old Koda. Zach has studied Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu for the last 14 years under Bruno Malfacine, who recently opened a gym on Edgewater Drive. "We feel very fortunate that such a major part

of our life has become even more convenient." Their 10-year-old daughter Zofia attends Princeton Elementary, swims at Lake Highland, and always has her nose in a book. Their four-year-old son Ronan goes to Monarch Learning Academy, will start soccer in the next few weeks, and is currently obsessed with dinosaurs! In 2018, Kerry left the wealth management arena and joined her sister, Katie Bean at her company, My VIP Tour, where they specialize in luxury Disney tours. "We have since launched Katie Bean Travels, a luxury travel agency and Your Royal Concierge, a company that plans all aspects of the ever-changing, complex but very rewarding Disney vacation. "Last year was difficult with all the travel restrictions and Disney temporarily closing, but we're so encouraged to see many of our clients returning and eager to travel once again."

"Last night Zach and I walked Koda down Park Ave, the weather was gorgeous, the flowers in bloom, people were gathering in Central Park with their picnics. We talked about how truly fortunate we are to be in such a beautiful place. Life is good, even in a pandemic, we are very fortunate and grateful to call this place home."



### OMA NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE

Saturday, March 20, 2021  
(rain date March 27) 9 am-3 pm

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Mind Your Manor Number I Winter  
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Deadline – August 1  
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and event sponsorship opportunities and  
the advertising form.

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## AROUND THE CORNER

Art in Bloom: Festival of Fine Arts and Flowers will blossom, once again, at the Orlando Museum of Art, March 25-28, with show hours Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tickets are available through [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com). Antique dealers and breathtaking fresh floral arrangements, inspired by works from the Orlando Museum of Art's exhibitions, are only a sample of the show features. For more information, please go to [councilof101.org](http://councilof101.org).



### NEIGHBORHOOD BITS

#### OMA NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE



#### Garage Sale Saturday

March 20, 2021 (rain date March 27) 9 am-3 pm

Start collecting your items – it's only a few weeks away. We will once again place ads, create a map of all the sales and post it on our Facebook page. If you are participating (sales are at each home), please contact Stephen at [info@orwinmanor.org](mailto:info@orwinmanor.org) or 407-622-4886 so you will be added to the map.

### Noise Alert!

This is a reminder to all Winter Park (and, Orlando as well) residents that the noise codes of the city, (Chapter 18, section 18-17 (1) and Chapter 62, section 62-96 a & b) include nuisance dog barking. Within the last couple of months, there have been several instances of a couple dogs barking for over an hour, with no attention from their owners. One was late at night, after 11 pm. If anyone is bothered by a barking dog for this length of time, over and over, it is appropriate to call the code enforcement office, and they will send someone out to investigate. PLEASE, do not let your pet be a nuisance to your neighbors. Now that the weather is nice, and people have their windows open, it's even more important that we watch our noise levels.

### GET READY TO VOTE

Two former Winter Park commissioners are campaigning to be the city's next mayor. Voters decide on March 9 whether Phil Anderson or Sarah Sprinkel will replace outgoing Mayor Steve Leary to represent the city of about 30,000 residents. Early Voting: March 1-5, 8am-5pm daily (at the Supervisor of Elections office only). Election Day: Tuesday, March 9, 7am-7pm.

### MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS

Please welcome Annie and Jordan Mason, who moved in to 1367 Canterbury Road last September, and are expecting a little boy in June. Congratulations!

### BECOME AN ORWIN MANOR WESTMINSTER ASSOCIATION MEMBER

Our dues are \$25 per year. They help cover neighborhood events, newsletters/flyers, P.O. box and storage unit rental fees. You can send a check payable to Orwin Manor Westminster Association and mail it to: Orwin Manor Westminster Association, P. O. Box 2367, Winter Park, FL 32790-2367. Or you can now pay the Orwin Manor Westminster Association dues through our website: [www.orwinmanor.org](http://www.orwinmanor.org). See page 6 for all the details.

### CITY ONLINE SERVICE

The city launched a new online service, @YourRequest. This new service is accessible from [cityofwinterpark.org/AtYourRequest](http://cityofwinterpark.org/AtYourRequest) and allows users to easily submit questions and requests for city services right from their mobile device or computer.

Examples of what can be reported using @YourRequest are:

- Broken or cracked sidewalks
- Code compliance concerns
- Potholes
- Non-emergency issues
- Power outages (or call 1-877-811-8700)
- Repair or maintenance of city facilities or amenities
- Utility turn on and off services

This service is for non-emergency questions and requests only.



## KUDOS

The Orwin Manor Westminster Association is in the process of acquiring a Little Free Library to add to Orwin Manor Park. Little libraries inspire a love of reading, build community and spark creativity by encouraging book exchanges around our neighborhood. They function on the honor system; anyone can add or take books. We also are lucky to have one located in front of the house at **1412 Devon** courtesy of our generous neighbors Donovan and Ginger Myrie.







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## OMA 2021 Events Calendar

- Saturday, March 20 – Garage Sale – 9am-3pm (rain date March 27)
- Sunday, March 28 – Neighborhood B.Y.O.Brunch (in Orwin Manor Park) 11am-2pm (Please bring your own refreshments and chairs and join us for a socially distant gathering)
- Sunday, October 10 – Oktoberfest (in Orwin Manor Park) 4:30pm onward
- Thursday, October 21 – Great Pumpkin Judging after 6pm
- Sunday, October 31 – Witches Walk (in Orwin Manor Park) 6:30-8pm
- Monday, December 13 – Orwin Manor Aglow Judging after 6pm
- Tuesday, December 14 – Holiday Party, starts at 5pm – Susan and Scott Ellis's home at 1415 Buckingham Rd.
- Friday, December 24 – Luminaries, 6pm (rain date December 25)
- Tuesday, January 4, 2022 – Annual Meeting, 7–9pm at Commerce National Bank & Trust

### Board Meetings Third Tuesday Every Other Month 7:30-9 p.m.

- April 20, 2020 – Zoom
- June 15, 2020 – TBD
- August 17, 2020 – TBD
- October 19, 2020 – TBD
- December 14, 2020 – (Susan Ellis, 1415 Buckingham Rd.)

*Please join us! Call 407-257-1874 to place an item on the agenda.*

## NEIGHBORHOOD GATHERINGS

Join us at the historic clubhouse at Dubsread Golf Course, 549 West Par Street, Orlando every second Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

We have reserved the long high top table adjacent to the bar in the Taproom.

### Upcoming Dates:

- ~~Wednesday, March 10 (Cancelled)~~
- Wednesday, April 14
- Wednesday, May 12
- Wednesday, June 9

## WINTER PARK PRIDE PROJECT'S 1000 FLAG INITIATIVE

Long-time Winter Park resident and business owner, Thor Falk, announced the formation of The Winter Park PRIDE Project, a not for profit 501(c)(3) corporation. The mission is to promote and celebrate that Winter Park is a diverse and inclusive community where everyone is welcome.



The initiative for 2021 is to provide 1,000 residents with free Pride flags to fly outside their homes in Winter Park during PRIDE month, June 2021. Fundraising efforts will cover the cost of the Pride flags and excess funds will be dedicated to organizations and programs benefiting LGBTQ+ youth or promoting diversity and inclusion in Winter Park.

Explaining his motivation, Falk said, "I believe these flags will give Winter Park residents an opportunity to show their support and, in doing so, help LGBTQ+

people of all ages to know they are a valued part of the Winter Park community."

Falk is in the process of assembling a Board of Directors for the Winter Park PRIDE Project and hopes to include

members of the LGBTQ+ community as well as allies. The organization will be reaching out to Winter Park businesses and organizations for support and collaboration.

Winter Park businesses can support and participate in the PRIDE Project through sponsorships, donations, or even featuring special PRIDE themed products, services,

# WINTER PARK PRIDE PROJECT

and items where a portion of the proceeds go to the Winter Park PRIDE Project initiatives.

The Winter Park PRIDE Project is modeled after the Hingham Pride Project of 2020. Hingham is outside Boston, MA and is similar in size and demographics to Winter Park. Upon learning about the success of their project from his niece who lives there, Falk reached out to the organizers to learn more and ultimately decided to promote a similar program in Winter Park.

For more information about the Winter Park PRIDE Project: [www.winterparkprideproject.org](http://www.winterparkprideproject.org), or email [winterparkpride@gmail.com](mailto:winterparkpride@gmail.com).

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# NEIGHBORHOOD PRO SPRING GARDENING TIPS

BY BOARD MEMBER & ORANGE CO. MASTER GARDENER PENNY POTTER

Since it is now time to start pruning your shrubs and perennials, this article is on proper pruning methods. Let's start with deadheading. This is a term referring to cutting off spent flowers. Most perennials and annuals benefit from deadheading, not only because it makes them more attractive, but because it gets rid of dead material and rejuvenates the plant. As I walk the neighborhood, the plant I most see



that needs dead-heading is the *ubiquitous penta*. Please, neighbors, get out there and dead-head your pentas!

A penta covered in brown dried up flowers is so unattractive! Once the dead flowers are gone, the plant then sets about to produce more blooms. It only takes checking the yard just once a week to see what needs

attention. Most annuals benefit from deadheading – there are some exceptions, petunias for one, but go ahead and cut them off when in doubt. If your shrubs and perennials have been “bitten” by the cold, now is the time to prune off the brown portion back to where the stem is still green. You can find this point by gently scratching the bark to find where the green starts. Make your cut slightly diagonal, at a leaf or twig node. It's important to use sharp pruners (the knife sharpener at the Winter Park Farmers' Market also sharpens garden tools). For shrubs, generally, it's best to take off no more than a third of the plant's size. For flowering shrubs, wait until blooming is over. Remember that pruning will encourage plants to produce new growth, so it's a good idea to give them the first dose of fertilizer of the year. As always, be sure to follow label instructions for applying fertilizer. It is recommended that you use a slow release granular type.

There is a wealth of gardening information available by calling the Orange County Master Gardener plant clinic, phone number 407-254-9200, which is now open for limited in-person service, or by going to the following websites: [www.solutionsforyourlife.com](http://www.solutionsforyourlife.com) and [www.ifas.ufl.edu](http://www.ifas.ufl.edu).

## CONGRATULATIONS TO ALAN AND GERRY HATCHITT AT 1535 BERKSHIRE AVE. FOR EARNING THE JAN/FEB 2021 YARD OF DISTINCTION



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Email us at [info@orwinmanor.org](mailto:info@orwinmanor.org) with any questions.

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