

5th Annual Taste of Oak Forest Slated for November 11th

On Saturday, November 11th, the Oak Forest Homeowners Association will hold the 5th Annual Taste of Oak Forest on the grounds of Hope Episcopal Church located at 1613 W 43rd Street in the heart of Oak Forest. The event will run from 7:00PM until 10:00PM and for the price of admission, residents and their guests can sample a generous helping of some of the best food, wine and beer on the planet.



Previously known as “Oak Forest Uncorked”, this year’s event will feature wine tastings from Kagan Cellars, LangeTwins Vineyards & Winery, La Fuente Winery and Michael David Winery which has participated and supported this event for the fifth consecutive year. Last year the traditional wine tasting event was expanded to also include craft beer tastings with the addition of Eureka Heights Brew Company. This year Eureka Heights will be back, and they will be joined by our area’s own local brewery, Great Heights Brewing Company.

Those who attend the Taste of Oak Forest will have an opportunity to also sample food pairings from some of the best restaurants in the Oak Forest and Garden Oaks neighborhood. Rainbow Lodge will return for a fifth consecutive year and will prepare their world famous smoked duck and andouille gumbo. They will be joined by the Barking Pig, Fusion Taco, Gatlin’s BBQ, Liberty Kitchen, Tacos A GOGO and the Union Kitchen. Starbucks will once again provide coffee and we are very proud to introduce a new neighborhood establishment, Sweet Cup Gelato and Sorbet Originale, which will provide a selection of creamy gelatos and fresh fruit sorbets to cap off the evening.

In addition to a Silent Auction and great Raffle prizes, this year’s event will also feature the Sonny Boy Terry Band. Sonny Boy Terry is recognized as one of Texas’, if not one of America’s top harmonica players. His performance will feature original up-tempo blues, some jazz and plenty of the roots of rock and roll. Those interested in knowing more about the band can go to sonnyboyterry.com for a free listen or you can also find his performances on YouTube.

We also want to recognize our Named Sponsor, Cindi Miller and Steve Ciapi, with Coldwell Banker United Realtors. Other sponsors include The Big Mamou Enterprises, Darlene’s Flower & Gift Shop, The Daniel’s Agency, Berkshire Hathaway Premier Properties, Village Liquors and SEAL Security Solutions. We would like to thank the many donors of items for our Silent Auction and Raffle! And a very special Thank You to Mario Barrera who has supported our community in so many ways!

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Oak Forest Neighborhood Patrol Program which is now in its fifth year of protecting the residents of Oak Forest. Martha Mears, President of the Oak Forest Homeowners Association, added "A Taste of Oak Forest is being held in conjunction with our 2018 Security Campaign. We are asking ALL Oak Forest residents to help us keep SEAL Security patrolling our neighborhood on a 24/7 basis. By working together with SEAL, HPD and the Constables, we can continue to reduce crime in Oak Forest."

A Taste of Oak Forest will definitely be the event of the year in Oak Forest! Come out and enjoy an evening with your neighbors and support your community in a fun way! For more information about the event, or to purchase tickets or support the event, please go to the OFHA Website, www.myoakforest.org/events.