

Oakridge News

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READY OR NOT ???

The weather is warming. You are ready to head for the lake. Is your boat ready??

Don't allow your beautiful sunny afternoon on the water to be spoiled by your boat's refusal to cooperate.

Some of the most common equipment failures are easy to prevent.

- 1. Charge and test your batteries. Most shops will test for free.
- 2. Check fuel lines and fittings for leaks and wear.
- 3. Change your oil
 - a) crankcase
 - b) lower unit
 - c) check power tilt and trim
 - d) also check towing vehicle oil levels
- 4. Inspect life jackets for wear and tear. Don't try to mend the jackets. Replace them instead. Be sure the size fits the person.
- 5. Make sure your fire extinguisher is charged. Extinguishers without a gauge don't tell you all the important information you need to know about the extinguisher.
- 6. Leave a note: As to where you are going, description and TX number, number of persons on board and when you expect to return.

THERE ARE SEVERAL MORE ITEMS YOU SHOULD CHECK BEFORE YOUR BOATING SEASON BEGINS

For a free safety check, or to enroll in a safety course contact:

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ONA Board Meeting April 20
Environmental Committee May 10
ONA Board Meeting May 19
ONA General Meeting May 22

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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE Patricia Downing, Chairperson

A large percentage of the homes in this neighborhood have fences built around them. Most of them only in the back. And thank goodness for that.

Many folks will tell you they don't know their next door neighbors very well. Sometimes we feel secure with the "fences" we build around us.

But I know for a fact there are a large number of very caring and compassionate people still left in this world and many of them are right here in Oakridge.

We would like to know of occurrences or events among our residents that any good neighbor would respond to. This might be birth announcements, illness, deaths, personal accomplishments, promotions, honors or awards to name a few.

The Membership Committee has talked this over. We are asking you to leave a message on the ONA Voice Mail if you are aware of a situation that warrants some acknowledgment. Or if you are willing to volunteer as a bearer of goodwill, we welcome your support.

Speaking of fences, many of you may not be aware of the deed restrictions for your section of the development. At the time you purchased your home, you should have received a copy for your records.

There are 11 sections of residential neighborhood. Depending on your location, you may have unique or common conditions and limitations with other parts of Oakridge.

If you would like a copy of your deed restrictions or would like to anonymously send a copy to your neighbor, leave your name and address on the Voice Mail along with the request. We do charge \$1.00 per request. to cover copying costs.

We are getting plans firmed up for the Spring/Summer outing. There are a number of ways you can volunteer from light to heavy duty. Give us a call!!

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NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

The ONA will be having its annual meeting in May. At this meeting we will be electing new officers and three new board members. If you are interested in serving as an officer or board member, or if you know someone you would like to recommend please call the ONA secretary Donna Dayhoff or contact:

ONA Voice Mail 220-2286.



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Crime Prevention and Safety Luanne Payne, Chairperson

Crime Statistics for February 1994

1 - Burglary of Habitation

Fulton

2 - Burglary of Vehicle

Bending Oaks

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Ridgeview Lane

2 - Criminal Mischief

Lone Oak
Oak Springs

1 - Assault Class C Misdemeanor

Hickory Bend

The number of offenses remained unchanged from the January report of only 6. This is good and I know we can keep these crimes even lower if we continue the work we are doing. The more block captains representing each street makes a stronger network with your neighbors. We must continue to contact the police with any suspicious behavior and especially if you have been victimized. No matter how small the crime, the police want to know about it. They will make the report over the phone but if you wish for them to visit you they will be happy to.

With spring coming and a lot of yard work being done, be sure to keep

your garage doors closed while you are working in the front yard or even mowing. Some of these people just walk right up in the garages while you are in the back yard. So keep your eyes and ears open.

Block Captains, the weather is getting just right to plan a block party and get to know your neighbors with a pot luck gathering. If you need help in planning one, call and I can give you suggestions and guidelines. The police have procedures to follow and I can help you with this information. Give me a call at 530-9323 (Luanne Payne).

"Taste of Garland"

The 5th Annual "Taste of Garland" will be held Saturday, April 2, 1994 at the Hella Temple, 2121 Rowlett Road in Garland from 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm. Tickets are \$15.00 each and can be purchased at the door or you may call

328-438 or 205-2122. All funds from this activity will go to the Garland Crimestoppers Program. Area restaurants will have booths providing their specialties. There will be entertainment and lots of door prizes and an auction. Tasting is from 7:00 - 9:00 with door prizes and auction the last hour. Come and enjoy the fun! I've heard it is much better than the "Taste of Dallas"!



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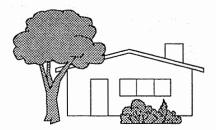
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- 1. Paint any part of the house that needs it.
- 2. Cut and trim the lawn and take care of the landscaping.
- 3. Clean carpets, stretch or replace if necessary.
- 4. Organize closets.
- 5. Clean windows and repair screens.
- Remove clutter and put away. Keep counter tops, sinks and desk tops clean.
- 7. Remove excess furniture to make the room look larger.
- 8. Open drapes or keep lights on to show off the home.
- 9. Clean light fixtures, plates and mirrors.
- 10. Maintain a clean and spotless kitchen.
- 11. Remove items not apart of the sale such as a valued chandelier etc..and replace with items that are apart of the sale.
- 12. Clean garage and storage area.
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Environmental Committee Ron & Pam Harbach

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What else can we say !! We asked for donations for entryway beautification and your response has been great. You will see the money at work as you read this. Watch the changes at the entryways.

CLEAN UP DAY

Oakridge clean up day was Saturday March 12th. We had a small turn out (10 people) but they all worked like beavers. We mowed and picked up trash around the perimeter walls (Jupiter, Beltline, Shiloh, Buckingham), cut down several small trees and edged the walls. The Country Club donated coffee. Many Thanks to Tim McNutt, Club Manager.

How Is Oakridge Looking Now!!!



Don't stop now! This month Lets fix up / Paint up/ Straighten up/ our mail boxes.

Lets put our best foot forward as this is one of the first things our visitors see.

Thanks again for all your support.



DOGS, DOGS, DOGS!!!!

Dogs are man's Best Friend or are they? It would seem so since more families have dogs as pets than any other animal. Most people who own dogs take good care of them. They make sure that they are fed, watered, groomed and cleaned when necessary, inoculated for rabies and dipped for fleas, kept in an area that is kept clean and where they can run. They walk their dogs in the neighborhood and keep them on leashes and when the dogs exercise their bodily functions some even make sure it is removed.

Most people and especially children like dogs and won't hesitate to try to pet one. Who can resist those big eyes looking up at you and that wagging tail. Not many!! However, not all dogs have a friendly disposition. Not all dogs are cared for properly. Some for whatever reason manage to get loose and run free in the neighborhood. Sometimes they are harmless and sometimes they are not. They can become a nuisance, scaring people who are out walking or jogging, children playing or mixing it up with other dogs that are being walked on a leash. They run everywhere in the street after cars and bicycles and through peoples yards. Sometimes for whatever reason they bite someone. This is a serious matter. If serious enough to require a doctor visit, the incident must be reported to Animal Control and the dog will be quarantined for ten days to make sure it doesn't have rabies. If the attack is serious enough the animal can be ultimately destroyed.

Owners can be held accountable for their dogs activities. They can be cited and fined and sued for damages and medical expenses. These dogs can be picked up by animal control authorities and the owners required to pay a fee to get them out of the pound.

We in Oakridge have invested a lot in our homes and we like having a clean safe community to live or raise a family. Please if you own a dog make sure that the area where it is kept is secure so that in your absence it cannot get loose. Your neighbors will appreciate it and Oakridge will be a cleaner, safer place.

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	3229 - Donna Dayhoff	WINDING OAK	2813 - Vance & Elena Smith
RIDGE OAK PL.	2601 - Cheryl Wood 2618 - June Edwards	OVERVIEW	2018 - Betty Glover
RIDGE OAK CT.	2501 - Cathy Murphy	PEAKWOOD	2119 - Jack Treadway
RIDGE VIEW LN.	NEEDED	HEARTHSIDE LN.	2008 - Bettelyn Howard
GREENVIEW DR.	3310 - Kim Eubanks 3422 Beverly Prater	LAURELOAKS	2850 - Jo Ann Schmerheim 2730 - Bert Littlejohn 2839 - Stephanie Hall
GREENVIEW CIR.	2709 - Betsy Pugh	LAUREL OAKS CT.	NEEDED
BENDING OAKS	3314 - Sue Cole 3222 - Sara Traylor 3202 - Hazel & Dick Toberny 3317 - Mary Fowler	BIG OAKS	2502 - Mary Macejewski 2509 - Mark Edwards 2706 - Scott Youzva 2821 - Sharon McDonald 2833 - Bill Smart
BEAVER RUN GOLDEN OAKS	NEEDED 2502 - Dana Burk		2843 - Bettie Bishop 3014 - Joan Nichols 3109 - Sue Sweetnam
DIAMOND OAKS	2405 - Bonnie Hill 2125 - Harry & Lila LaGrassa 2101 - Doris Autrey	HICKORY BEND	2622 - Pat Woods 2811 - Diane Cooper
	2321 - Dennis Cheatham	STONERIDGE	2810 - Weldon Martindale 2870 - Edward Carpenter
OAK POINT	2906 - Art Dietz	MEADOWRIDGE	2625 - Katherine Rackley
OAK SPRINGS	3001 - Mary Musseman	RICHLAND	NEEDED
LONE OAK	2317 - Joi Stowe 2401 - Pam Hubbard	SUNCREST	2502 - Lisa Wilson
ROCKYTRAIL	NEEDED	CREIGHTON	2517 Elaine Centorbi
MOSS TRAIL	2221 - Vicki Fitzgerald	CRESTEDGE	2504 - Natalie Burgin 2522 - Lynn Hamilton
ROLLING OAK	2271 - Jim Cook 2005 - Sue Hageland	FULTON	2433 - Jake Benner
SHADY OAKS CT.	2201 - Charles & Valerie Derryberry	PEPPERIDGE	2502 - Sandy Dean
WINDY RIDGE LN.	2113 - Jack Rash	PEBBLESTONE	2537 - Deborah Meals 2545 - Patricia Downing
GRAND OAK	2114 - Ken Davey 2906 - Virbol & Ruth Bartlett 2822 - Mary Anne McFall	RICHOAK	NEEDED

You do not have to be a member of the Oakridge Neighborhood Association to serve as a Block Captain. You need just to be a loyal and trustworthy neighbor who is willing to keep an eye on your neighbor's house while they are away, pick up newspapers and mail, and report any suspicious activities.

* NEW BLOCK CAPTAINS

Our goal is to have a Block Captain for every 6 to 10 houses. With approximately 1,200 homes in Oakridge, we have a long way to go.

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