

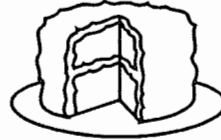


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October 8th 2ND ANNUAL O.N.A. PUMPKIN & BAKE SALE

Well, October is here and it is time to think of the fall holidays. The ONA is going to have some great homemade baked goods to buy that you can serve now or freeze for the big Thanksgiving family dinners.

We will have a variety of sizes of pumpkins for you to pick from so plan on buying them from us to help support the ONA. Also, we will have on display from the Fire Department, a fire engine and ambulance for the kids to explore and ask questions. And, an added visit from the Police Department to sign up the little ones as Junior Detectives!

We are asking for volunteers to help work this event. The hours are from 9:00 until 3:00 (or until we are sold out) on Saturday, October 8th. If you could spare 30 minutes or so it would be greatly appreciated. We would like to have a few games for the kids to play and would need assistance with this. We are trying to bring this neighborhood together so we can know our neighbors like back in the good old days.

So mark your calendars for Saturday, October 8th, 9:00 - 3:00 to stop by the Country Club parking lot. We will be set up on the corner of Diamonds Oaks and Big Oaks. To volunteer you may call me, Luanne Payne at 530-9323 or leave a message on the ONA voice mail at 220-2286 after listening to our message.

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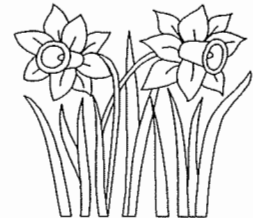
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OAKRIDGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 450145 Garland, TX
75045-0145
Phone: 220-2286

O.N.A. Bulb Sale

Be sure to buy your bulbs from the ONA. Monies earned will be used for beautification projects. Sale Begins Sept. 15 thru Oct 8th. Call our information line (220-2286) and leave your name and number. We will return your call.



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| each | 20 Mixed Tulips |
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| \$12.00 | Amaryllis Gift Box |
| each | Holland Box: |
| | 12 Tulips |
| | 8 Daffodils |
| | 30 Grape Hyacinth |

Crime Prevention and Safety

Luanne Payne, Chairperson

CRIME STATISTICS FOR AUGUST:

2 - Burglary of Habitation	Pepperidge Overview
2 - Burglary of Building	Big Oaks (2)
3 - Criminal Mischief	Big Oaks Diamond Oaks (2)

After receiving the July report last month with 20 offenses, I can say I was relieved to get the August report with only 7 offenses. This decrease of 13 offenses was a dramatic drop from the previous month. Only one of these crimes was committed after August 15, the date Garland schools reconvened for the 1994-95 school year.

I would like to comment on the Oakridge Homeowners Association (ONA) meeting, held September 15th at the Country Club. We had the privilege of having Mr. John Sholden, who is currently running for Justice of the Peace and Detective Joe Harn, who is assigned to the Intelligence Unit to monitor gangs in Garland. Mr. Sholden was the former Dallas County Assistant District Attorney in charge of gang prosecutions. He and his family are also residents of Oakridge. The program was very well presented and all those who attended left much more informed on the gang problems and what is being done to prevent it from growing in the City of Garland.

The month of October is Crime Prevention Month, so let's try to stay on our toes and be alert! As McGruff says, "Take a bite out of crime!"

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PERSONAL DEFENSE TACTICS

HANDS ON SELF DEFENSE CLASS WILL COVER
THE MOST COMMON TYPES OF
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EFFECTIVE ESCAPE TECHNIQUES

LEARN TO USE PEPPER SPRAYS

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THIS COURSE WILL MAKE WOMEN MORE
AWARE OF THEIR SURROUNDINGS AND
TEACH THEM TECHNIQUES THAT ARE EASY
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MOMS WANTED!

POSITIONS are now (and are always) available for Oakridge Family Co-Op Members.

TO QUALIFY, you must be a mother, either young or young-at-heart, with infants, toddlers, adolescents, teens or even grown kids (who you think are now out of the house)! In other words, all Moms qualify!

RESPONSIBILITIES include getting together with other moms once a month (sometimes more, when family activities are planned) to discuss the joy and not so joyous moments of motherhood, enjoying good food, having lots of fun, and best of all, making new friends. No experience necessary!

TO APPLY (rather, be welcomed with open arms!), you are graciously invited to attend our next social on Tuesday, October 11 at 7:30 p. m. (see details below). All Oakridge Moms are welcomed and encouraged to attend!

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: In addition to our monthly socials, the Oakridge Family Co-Op also plans many other family activities, including Easter Egg Hunts, Pool Parties, 4th of July Parades, Halloween and Christmas parties. Because of costs associated with these activities, annual dues are \$10 which will carry your membership through August, 1 1995. We are now having our annual membership drive and the more members we have, the more fun, friendships and festivities we can enjoy!

CONTACT: If you are unable to attend the social but would still like to know more about the Oakridge Family Co-Op, please call Sharron Smith at 530 -3873.
BABY -SITTERS WANTED!

Although the Oakridge Family Co-Op started out being a baby -sitting co-op where Mom's traded baby-sitting with each other, with everyone's hectic schedules, we are finding a need to find people, outside of the Co-Op, who may be interested in baby-sitting for pay. So, the next meeting/social of the Oakridge Family Co-Op will be focused on baby-sitters.

We would like to invite ANYONE (teenagers, adults, guys or gals) who would be interested in baby -sitting for pay to attend our next meeting on Tuesday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m. We will meet at the home of Sarah Traylor, 3222 Bending Oaks Trail. If you need directions, please call Sarah at 414-5383.

We will have a brief meeting to finalize our Halloween Party plans and then we'll spend some time getting to know each other over pizza and other refreshments. We will also have a short information sheet that we will ask all interested baby-sitters to complete. Hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please call Sharon Smith at 530-3873.

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ACCESSORIZING TIPS

From Susan Sanchez, Decorating Den

Give your rooms a pleasing personality -choose the right accessories. A home should reflect the personality of those who live in it through its accessories. You may want to display your prized collections, family heirlooms, or choose the things that give the room a pulled together look. Accessories are grouped as functional or decorative. The functional group includes mirrors, clocks, lights, books, and pillows, while paintings, sculptures, plants, and small antiques are in the decorative category.

A good starting place is to consider everything you presently have. It can be challenging to find the right spot for your favorite things. Keep those that are the right color and size for your bare places. Do you want to achieve a clean or cluttered look? A contemporary room usually has few accessories while a country room may have dozens.

The design principles of balance and proportion are important in the arrangement of accessories. A single tiny cup and saucer would be out of scale on a large coffee table and a large ginger jar lamp would overwhelm a small coffee table. There are two things to remember when working with a grouping: an odd number of anything is more pleasing than an even number and nothing should be displayed by itself unless it deserves to stand alone.

If your budget won't allow you to do everything you want to do, consider investing in one "good" item instead of ten cheap ones. This will aid you in making a visual statement.

The right accessories correctly placed help give the room rhythm and reflect your personality

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**Pumpkin - Bake Sale
October 8th
Oakridge Country Club
Parking Lot**



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APATHY IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

By: Peggy Richey

Are we so **BUSY** in our **DAILY LIVES** that we no longer care to get involved in our **NEIGHBORHOOD**? We no longer seem to care about what we can do for each other but rather what one is going to do for us. We laugh at the days of "Leave It To Beaver", but we have lost that neighborhood togetherness. What kind of legacy are we leaving our children?

Those ONA members that have worked hard to build the organization could use some help. We all know that Rome was not built in a day, but over time we have the opportunity to work toward the good of the neighborhood. We have found a general lack of involvement and concern. We thank those of you who have worked hard and we also apologize to those whose concerns may have been met with less enthusiasm. We are trying with the few people who are involved to do everything. This is a monumental task. We are not as effective as we could be because of the lack of participation.

We would appreciate your support. Collectively we have more and better ideas and more energy to get tasks done. I encourage all of you to get involved and prevent our association from burning out due to lack of involvement.

DID YOU KNOW !!!

As residents of this community, we all have a responsibility for the maintenance of our home and property. Studies have shown that individuals do not violate City ordinances because of neglect or lack of concern. Most often, violations are noted when average citizens are unaware of their current responsibilities regarding municipal residential regulations.

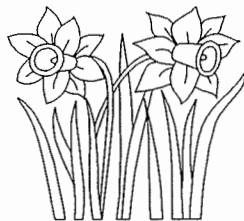
One of the major areas of concern handled by the Code Enforcement Division.

High Grass or Weeds on Premises

High grass/weeds are considered a violation of municipal codes when growth exceeds 12 inches in height. When grass/weeds exceed 12 INCHES in height on the following residential property a violation is noted

- Front Yard
- Back Yard
- Side Yard
- Alley
- Parkway.

Normally, a period of ten (10) days is allotted to residents for corrective action to be taken.



Order Your Bulbs Today
Sale ends October 8th

From The City of Garland Code Enforcement Department

A garage sale shall include "yard sale," "patio sale," "plant sale," "sample sale," or other similar terms. Garage sales require a permit. Such permit shall be issued for a sale period not to exceed more than three consecutive days, excluding holidays, and not more than three garage sales shall be permitted for the same location in any calendar year. Provisions of the sign ordinances shall apply. To apply for garage permit call 205 -3374
Fine(150.00)

Signs on public property (sec. 30.91) except as specifically authorized in this chapter, no person shall attach any sign, paper, or other material or paint, stencil, or write any name number or otherwise mark any sidewalk, curb, gutter, street, tree, utility pole, traffic sign, traffic light standard, public building, public fence or public structure. This section shall not prohibit the posting of government signs or the painting or attaching of street address numbers to curb.
Fine (250.00)

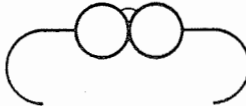
Signs in right-of-way prohibited (sec.30.90) except as specifically authorized in this chapter, no sign shall be erected or affixed within or project over any public right-of-way. This section shall not be construed so as to prohibit the carrying or displaying of signs by any person so long as such sign is not connected or affixed to the real property comprising the public right-of-way, its fixtures and appurtenances. Structures in the central area zoning districts may have signs projecting over the public sidewalk

1. Garage sales
2. Business
3. Real estate weekend directional signage (allowed)
 - A. 45" from intersection
 - B: Additional emergency lighting on sign trucks
4. Political sign -handled by neighborhood code enforcement
Fine (250.00)

BLOCK CAPTAIN GUIDELINES

1. Serve as a liaison between residents and coordinator.
2. Recruit new watch members, striving for 100% participation in the block or blocks for which you are responsible.
3. Assist coordinator in planning meetings and activities.
4. Maintain list of participating members, including name, address, phone numbers.
5. Distribute newsletters to each home on your street. (DO NOT PUT THEM IN MAILBOXES, as this is a federal offense.) Newsletters should be placed under doormats or on door handle if there is no doormat.
6. Check on empty homes and remove door hangers or other ads.
7. Maintain checking of members homes when on vacation.
8. Attend all block captain meetings whenever possible.

These are guidelines set by the Police Department for each Crime Watch program to go by. I always tell my block captains that they are probably already doing most of these things by being a good and trustworthy neighbor.



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Oakridge Crime Watch Block Captains

RIDGE OAK DR. (51)	3405 - Kim Gingerich 3229 - Donna Dayhoff	WILLOW RIDGE (19)	2813 - Luanne Payne
RIDGE OAK PL. (13)	2601 - Cheryl Wood 2618 - June Edwards	WINDING OAK (21)	2813 - Vance & Elena Smith
RIDGE OAK CT. (8)	2501 - Cathy Murphy	OVERVIEW (50)	2018 - Betty Glover
RIDGE VIEW LN. (6)	NEEDED	PEAKWOOD (30)	2119 - Jack Treadway
GREENVIEW DR. (27)	3310 - Kim Eubanks 3422 Beverly Prater	HEARTHESIDE LN (34)	NEEDED
GREENVIEW CIR. (4)	2709 - Betsy Pugh	LAUREL OAKS (57)	2850 - Jo Ann Schmerheim 2730 - Bert Littlejohn
BENDING OAKS (27)	3314 - Sue Cole 3222 - Sara Traylor 3202 - Hazel & Dick Toberny 3317 - Mary Fowler	LAUREL OAKS CT. (22)	3202 - John Mohrle
BEAVER RUN (5)	NEEDED	BIG OAKS (148)	2502 - Mary Macejewski 2509 - Mark Edwards 2706 - Scott Youzva 2821 - Sharon McDonald 2833 - Bill Smart 2843 - Bettie Bishop 3014 - Joan Nichols 3109 - Sue Sweetnam
GOLDEN OAKS (23)	2405 - Bonnie Hill	HICKORY BEND (62)	2622 - Pat Woods 2629 - Clara Mae Meurer 2811 - Diane Cooper
DIAMOND OAKS (68)	2125 - Harry & Lila LaGrassa 2101 - Doris Autrey 2321 - Dennis Cheatham	STONERIDGE (64)	2810 - Weldon Martindale 2870 - Edward Carpenter
OAK POINT (59)	2713 - Stephanie Hall 2906 - Art Dietz 3026 - Vince Golbeck	MEADOWRIDGE (29)	2625 - Katherine Rackley
OAK SPRINGS (26)	3001 - Mary Musseman	RICHLAND (22)	2625 - Nancy Hoffman
LONE OAK (18)	2401 - Pam Hubbard	SUNCREST (19)	2502 - Lisa Wilson
ROCKY TRAIL (6)	NEEDED	CREIGHTON (18)	2517 - Elaine Centorbi 2525 - Robin Yaklin
MOSS TRAIL (16)	2221 - Vicki Fitzgerald	CRESTEDGE (13)	2504 - Natalie Burgin 2522 - Lynn Hamilton
ROLLING OAK (32)	2217 - Jim Cook 2005 - Sue Hageland	FULTON (29)	2433 - Jake Benner
SHADY OAKS CT. (11)	2201 - Charles & Valerie Derryberry	PEPPERIDGE (19)	2502 - Sandy Dean
WINDY RIDGE LN. (18)	2113 - Jack Rash 2114 - Ken Davey 2117 - Paul Muller	PEBBLESTONE (21)	2537 - Deborah Meals 2545 - Patricia Downing
GRAND OAK (23)	2906 - Virbol & Ruth Bartlett 2822 - Mary Anne McFall	RICHOAK (10)	NEEDED

To be 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.

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
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to go. The number in parenthesis is the number of homes on that street **Volunteer to be a Block Captain by calling the O.N.A. Crime Watch and Information Hotline at 220-2286.** Leave your name and number and we'll call you back.

Return the completed form with \$25.00 dues to
Oakridge Neighborhood Association, P.O. Box 450145, Garland, TX 75045-0145

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Street Address _____

Home Phone _____

Date _____

According to the by-laws of the Association each household is entitled to 2 (two) voting members. Please complete the following information for each voting member. Indicate any information you do not want published in the ONA Membership Directory.

Member # 1

Last Name First Name MI Birth Month/Day Preferred or Nickname

Employer Occupation Business Phone

Member # 2

Last Name First Name MI Birth Month/Day Preferred or Nickname

Employer Occupation Business Phone

MEMBER # 1

MEMBER # 2

- Actively participating on a committee.
Please contact me.
- Learning more about the association.
Please contact me.
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(Advertising, Resources, etc.)
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Prioritize your interests in the Association: 1-4 (1-Most Important 4-Least Important)

- Social Activities
- Beautification Projects
- Civic and Political
- Crime Prevention
- Senior Citizen
- Youth Organization
- Other _____

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CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD

Name Birthday

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