



Oakridge News

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**General Meeting
November 16
7:00 P.M..**

Oakridge Country Club

**Lt. Dave Swavey
Garland Gang Control**

**Lt. Swavey will present a very informative program on
the gangs in Garland**

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**ONA Meeting:
ONA Board Nov 2 7:00**

Membership Update

So far this year we've moved membership from 349 to 452. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to increase our membership this year. By now everyone should have received their new roster. If you have not please call Mary Musseman at 414-1098. A special thanks to those advertisers who have offset the expense of printing the roster.

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ONA CELEBRITY CORNER

We have two State Fair photography ribbon winners who live right here in Oakridge. Vance Payne won two honorable mention ribbons and his son, Ross, won a 3rd place and an honorable mention ribbon. This was the first time either had entered the State Fair and they are very proud to have placed out of the 930+ entries. Keep up the good work guys!

We hope to keep this special news article in every newsletter. If you have any special news please give it to Jo Ann at 2850 Laurel Oaks. We will put in as much as we have space for each month. Any articles in our newsletter are the opinions of the writer and not necessarily that of the ONA.

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Update on the Pumpkin & Bake Sale:

I wish I could report that we had as successful a sale as we did last year, but the pumpkin sales were down and there wasn't as many baked items donated. The weather was beautiful though for those of us who worked. I want to thank each of you who sent baked items over and each of you who worked. Without your help, we couldn't have done it. Each year I meet so many new neighbors and enjoy talking to each of you. This year we added some craft sales to this event which was quite interesting. There was a lady who donated several beautiful African Violets which she grows but it just wasn't the right time of the year to sell these. She also makes homemade potpourri. We even tried to sell a real classic car for a gentleman who stopped by to visit and bought one of our homemade pies. This really added some atmosphere to our bake sale! All in all, we had a great time and thanks again for your support.

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Crime Prevention and Safety

Luanne Payne


CRIME STATISTICS FOR SEPTEMBER 1995:

- 1-Burglary of Habitation Golden Oaks
- 1-Theft Under \$20 Stoneridge
- 1-Unauthorized Use Meadowridge
of Motor Vehicle

The statistics dropped dramatically from the month of August with 19 offenses reported. These are the kind of reports I like to get but as I am writing this report I have already been informed of several pumpkins being smashed and one car that continually gets the windows broken out.

I am pleased to report that we now have several volunteers signed up to take the course for the Citizens On Patrol (C.O.P.). When the session is completed we hope to get organized and set up a patrol schedule. I am sure there will be some bumps we will have to smooth out but the purpose of this patrol is to be the "Eyes" to report to the police any suspicious behavior. With this program, I feel like the offenses of criminal mischief, vehicle burglary and stolen vehicles will drop. The burglary of habitations is your responsibility since most of these occur through open garage doors and not as a break-in. This is why the police stress to keep your garage doors closed at all times even if you are just in the front or back yard. Open garage doors are just a temptation that some can't resist.

Remember this C.O.P. is a volunteer program and the more volunteers we have to take this course the better it will work. If you have any questions or comments about this once it is in effect, you may call the ONA Hotline, 220-2286, and leave your name, number and a brief message. Your comments are always welcome.



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Civic and Political Interest

More Rash Statements

by Jack Rash

At the October 17, 1995 meeting of the Garland City Council, unanimous approval was given the request of **Harold Pollman** to change the zoning of the vacant land on Buckingham (from Jupiter Rd. to the Richland Apartments) from multi-family and shopping center to planned development.

Kudos to the City Council.

Mr. Pollman, owner of the Richland Apartments, took considerable heat from several residents of the area for the "deplorable" condition of the apartment complex. More than one neighbor asked the Council to force Mr. Pollman to clean up Richland Apartments before granting any request to develop the vacant land.

Unfortunately, this was something the Council simply could not do. It is obliged to act only on the zoning change request.

By approving this request, the Council actually did the neighborhood a favor. Under its previous zoning, Mr. Pollman could have started construction tomorrow on a new set of apartments and a strip shopping center with only minimal appearance standards. As a planned development, Mr. Pollman will be required to reappear before the City's Planning Commission AND the City Council to present detailed specifications for the shopping center he hopes to build on this site.

Citizens (that's you and me) can comment on these plans on both occasions. And judging from the number of people who spoke (and cheered from the audience) Tuesday night, I'm sure there will be considerable comment on every aspect of this development. We will try to publicize the dates for these two public hearings in this newsletter and over the ONA Hotline as soon as they become available.

Widening Jupiter

One of the concerns expressed Tuesday night for Mr. Pollman's shopping center is the effect on traffic at the Buckingham-Jupiter intersection, which already is as busy as a Colin Powell book signing.

Neil Montgomery of the City Planning Office said a traffic flow study would be done to assess the impact of the development. He also told this reporter that the widening of Jupiter (from Buckingham to Forest) to three lanes is scheduled to begin in December, 1996. Whatever happens to Mr. Pollman's shopping center, it will be nice to have another lane on Jupiter. Prepare yourself now, however, for months of construction.

Block Party

Kudos, again to **Ken Davies** on Windy Ridge for organizing yet another block party for our street. He's done this a couple of times before, and each one has been a great success. Kids play together and adults sit and talk, and everyone enjoys a pot-luck dinner.

It dawned on me, while gnawing a chicken leg, that the last time I saw some of my neighbors was at the last Block Party. How sad. But, how fortunate that one of my neighbors is willing to go to a little bit of trouble to make this happen.

It would be nice to see more Block Parties in the neighborhood. Give it a try. You might meet some people who need your help, or who can provide you some help if you need it. At the very least, you'll feel better about your neighborhood, because you'll know more about the people who live here.

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If you missed our Wine and Cheese party, you missed a great time! We also planned a spooky treat for the children at our annual Halloween Party to be held Saturday, October 28. It's not too late to get in on the fun so join us today!



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BLOCK CAPTAINS

We desperately need some new volunteers for Block Captains on each street. As you can see by the list on page 8 of the newsletter almost every street has a block captain. Some streets only have one and this means that person has to deliver the newsletters every month. This gets to be very tedious when we deliver these newsletters to everyone in Oakridge and we only have 460 members in the ONA. There are several reasons why we deliver to all 1130 homes in Oakridge; 1) crime statistics, 2) updates on ONA developments, 3) advertisements, and 4) neighborhood communication. These all seem very important items to me and to several of you. Sometimes we have often thought about not delivering to the non-members simply because if you can't support the ONA by paying \$36 per year then why should you receive the Oakridge News. It takes a lot of volunteer hours to put this newsletter together and get it distributed. We do not have the funds to mail these newsletters, therefore that is why the block captains are asked to deliver only on their street. This only takes 30 to 45 minutes for one block captain to do but the other people who make it happen spend many hours out of their busy schedules to get this communication out to all our neighbors. So that is why we are asking for more volunteers on each street, especially the ones that have only one block captain. When there is more than one, it is done on a rotation basis when means you only have to deliver every other month or maybe every two months. So please call and volunteer. You may call the ONA Hotline at 220-2286 or call Luanne Payne at 530-9323.

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BENDING OAKS (27)	3314 - Sue Cole 3222 - Sara Traylor 3202 - Hazel & Dick Toberny 3317 - Mary Fowler	OAK POINT (59)	2713 - Stephanie Hall 2906 - Art Dietz 3026 - Vince Golbeck
BIG OAKS (148)	2502 - Mary Macejewski 2509 - Mark Edwards 2706 - Scott Youzva 3010 - Kathy Cypert 3014 - Joan Nichols 3032 - Trisha Klimko	OAK SPRINGS (26)	3001 - Mary Musseman
CREIGHTON (18)	2517 - Elaine Centorbi	OVERVIEW (50)	2018 - Betty Glover 2107 - Pam Lowry
CRESTEDGE (13)	2504 - Erin Burgin 2522 - Lynn Hamilton	PEAKWOOD (30)	2119 - Jack Treadway
DIAMOND OAKS (68)	2125 - Harry & Lila LaGrassa 2101 - Doris Autrey 2226 - Sharon Smith 2110 - Victoria Gobeli 2001 - Debbie Stucker	PEBBLESTONE (21)	2537 - Deborah Meals 2545 - Patricia Downing
FULTON (29)	2433 - Jake Benner 2405 - Chris Orth	PEPPERIDGE (19)	2502 - Sandy Dean
GOLDEN OAKS (23)	2405 - Bonnie Hill	RICHLAND (22)	2625 - Nancy Hoffman
GRAND OAK (23)	2906 - Virbol & Ruth Bartlett 2822 - Mary Anne McFall	RICHOAK (10)	2505 - Kathleen Bailey
GREENVIEW CIR. (4)	2709 - Betsy Pugh	RIDGE OAK DR. (51)	3405 - Kim Gingerich 3202 - Ann Kennedy 3201 - Talou Miller 3229 - Donna Dayhoff
GREENVIEW DR. (27)	3310 - Kim Eubanks 3422 - Beverly Prater 3425 - Annette Dzanski	RIDGE OAK CT. (8)	2501 - Cathy Murphy
HEARTHSIDE LN (34)	2006 - Penny Nail 2107 - Madalina Watkins	RIDGE OAK PL. (13)	2601 - Cheryl Wood 2618 - June Edwards
HICKORY BEND (62)	2629 - Clara Mae Meurer 2610 - Suzanne Pelton 2814 - Clifton Boyd	RIDGE VIEW LN. (6)	NEEDED
LAUREL OAKS (57)	2850 - Jo Ann Schmerheim 2730 - Bert Littlejohn	ROCKY TRAIL (6)	2302 - Ron & Becky Yen
LAUREL OAKS CT. (22)	3202 - John Mohrle	ROLLING OAK (32)	2217 - Jim Cook 2005 - Sue Hageland 2221 - Karen Hearn
LONE OAK (18)	2313 - Julie Briner 2405 - Toledo Mulder	SHADY OAKS CT. (11)	2201 - Charles & Valerie Derryberry
MEADOWRIDGE (29)	2522 - Velva Crawford 2625 - Katherine Rackley	STONERIDGE (64)	2810 - Weldon Martindale 2814 - Judy Kopczynski
		SUNCREST (19)	2605 - Kay Yates
		WILLOW RIDGE (19)	2813 - Luanne Payne 2902 - Karen Sullivan
		WINDING OAK (21)	2805 - John Sholden 2813 - Vance & Elena Smith
		WINDY RIDGE LN. (18)	2113 - Jack Rash 2114 - Ken Davey 2117 - Paul Muller

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. The number in parenthesis is the number of homes on that street 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.