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SPECIAL NOTICE !!!

The July issue will be the last newsletter distributed to <u>non-members</u>. If you enjoy this monthly newsletter and want to continue to receive it, <u>now</u> is the time to send in your membership forms with your \$36.00 annual dues. You can find a membership form on the back of this newsletter with the mailing address at the top of the form. <u>Members</u> will be receiving their copy via mail with the August issue. Thank you Block Captains for delivering your streets during May, June & July.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

Mary Musseman

As of July 13th, the ONA has 379 paid members. I appreciate all the families (renewals and new) who sent their checks in so quickly. For those who haven't renewed or joined yet, it is not too late. Take a moment to write your \$36.00 check and mail to the address below:

Oakridge Neighborhood Association P. O. Box 450145 Garland, Texas 75045-0145

I would like to extend a special thank you to my two children, Bobby and Miranda, who opened all the envelopes, separated checks from membership forms and typed eight pages of names and addresses to give to Wally and JoAnn Schmerheim to update the membership information for the 97-98 ONA directory. I will begin working on the directory August 15th so all money must be in before that date if you want your name in the roster and also to receive your copy.

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Join the ONA

ENDORPHIN POWER

We thought you would find this article of interest, hope you enjoy it!

Peggy Richey, CRS, GRI

Have you ever thought about humor playing a vital role in your good health? Putting humor and laughter into our lives can make a tremendous difference in our overall health and well-being. Norman Cousins, the late editor of *Saturday Review Magazine*, proved through his research with endorphins and adrenaline that feeling good has a large influence on our physical being. Finding the humor in life and laughing turns on the endorphin flow. Are you getting your share of laughter? Begin planning today how you can get more laughter and feeling good into your life.

Motivational Minute #24 Written by Don Essig An Oakridge Neighbor since 1986 Office Close to Home

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- Residents can have 3 garage sales a year.
- Signs are not allowed in the medians, on utility poles or in right of ways.

Garage sale signs must be on private property – they are not allowed in the parkway in front of the house or on telephone poles.

If a sale is not properly registered, tickets cost \$150.00, and a illegal sign is \$250.00.

FYI...

Garland Power & Light has a GUARD LITE program that can provide your home with increased security from dusk to dawn with an outdoor guard light for a very reasonable cost. For residential areas a 100 watt high pressure sodium light is available for a monthly service charge of \$5.34 per light. The monthly service charge covers all maintenance and energy. Installation charges vary by the type of installation requested. Some of the typical costs are:

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Alison Radford

*High school student
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*References from Oakridge residents

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CITIZENS ON PATROL (C.O.P.)

Luanne Payne

The C.O.P. program is growing stronger and we are able to patrol more frequently. We hope you appreciate our efforts to help prevent crime. Many times some of us will knock on your doors to inform you that your garage doors are open. So far we haven't had anyone slam the door in our face but most of you are very thankful that we did stop and let you know.

If you are interested in attending the next training class, please contact me, Luanne Payne at 530-9323 and I will bring you an application form. These forms will need to be turned in to the police department no later than August 14th. The 6 hour class will be held at the police station on Saturday, August 16th. The more volunteers we have the safer our neighborhood will be. If you are a daily walker, you are qualified and should try to attend the class. Most of us patrol one hour a week and if you walk, your hour can be counted in our weekly report. Please consider volunteering for this job as we always need any help we can get. So mark your calendars for the date below:

DATE: Sat., August 16th TIME: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

LOCATION: Garland Police Department

Just look at what we've done together!

30 homes have sold in Oakridge this year and I've participated in 33% of those transactions... AND I have 2 more listings that are contract pending!

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR REFERRALS!

PEGGY RICHEY, CRS, GRI

Someone Who Cares

Office: 972-732-6000 Voice Mail: 972-733-9186 KELLER WILLIAMS R E A L T Y 18383 Preston Road, Suite 150 Dallas, TX 75252

OAKRIDGE WELCOME WAGON:

Lila LaGrassa

The following families were welcomed into Oakridge in May and June:

Big Oaks: Jim & Sally Kersey

Diamond Oaks: Mike & Janice Goodspeed

Herman & Joy Truitt

Greenview Circle: Ted & Christina Chong

Oak Point: Don & Margie Cass

Gary & Wendy Day

Overview: Bryan & Sophia Dobbins

Stoneridge: Chris & Cindy Rizzi

Thanks go out to Jim & Sally Kersey and Chris & Cindy Rizzi for joining the ONA at the May general membership meeting. Mike & Janice Goodspeed joined when they were greeted with the "goody basket". If you notice a new neighbor moving in on your street, please give Lila LaGrassa a call at 530-8618 or leave a message on the ONA Hotline at 214-967-5136. We really appreciate your help in welcoming these new neighbors into Oakridge.

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OAKRIDGE WOMEN'S CLUB

Mary Macejewski

THANK YOU!

The Fourth of July parade was a big success! The Oakridge Women's Club would like to thank those who helped make it happen. Thanks to all who participated in the parade. It was great seeing our neighbors all decked out in red, white, and blue! Also, we would like to thank the spectators along the parade route who cheered us on.

The following sponsors donated some wonderful prizes:

Applebee's, BeautiControl - Diane Owens, Best Signs, Black-Eyed Pea, Dunkin' Donuts, Entenmanns, J.Pepe's, Jaletta Cooley - Massage Therapist, Kentucky Fried Chicken, McDonald's, Nedley's, Pampered Pets, Pampered Pinkies, Ryan's, Royal Car Wash, SpeeDee Oil Change, Subway, and Northstar 8 Movies.

Thanks for your support!

Special thanks to our major contributors:

Albertsons, CiCi's Pizza, Chuck E. Cheese, Gail Gatcomb (Re/Max Realty), Oakridge Country Club, and Peggy Richey (Keller-Williams Realty).

We really appreciate your generosity!

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, August 11th. If you've been thinking about getting involved in the Oakridge Women's Club, now is the time! Join us at 7:00 at the country club to elect new officers. Make some new friends for yourself and your kids right here in Oakridge! Questions? Call Chetna (530-9362).

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Street Light Repair	205-3449
Electricity Emergency	205-3000
Water & Sewer	205-3210
Richard Fricks, City Counc	eil 495-7932
ONA Hotline	214 -967-5136



CRIME STATISTICS FOR JUNE 1997:

Luanne Payne

Habitation Burglary

Golden Oaks

Thief stole weed cutter from open garage door. Occurred on Thurs. 6/5 at 8:00 pm

Vehicle Burglary

Peakwood

Thief stole stereo, cell phone, CD's, tire tool, & pellet gun from pickup parked on rear driveway. Occurred on Wed. 6/4 between the hours of midnight and 7:00 am.

Vehicle Burglary

Golden Oaks

Thief stole color TV from van. Occurred on Thurs. 6/10 between 7:00 pm and 8:00 am on Fri. 6/11.

Vehicle Burglary

Lone Oak

Thief stole change dispenser and cash from pick-up. Occurred on Sat. 6/19 between 10:00 pm and 7:00 pm on Sun. 6/20.

Vehicle Burglary

Overview

Thief stole briefcase, cell phone & tools from van parked on rear driveway. Occurred on Sat. 6/26 between 9:00 pm and 7:15 am on Sun. 6/27. NOTE: The police arrested the suspect and the stolen items were returned to the owner.

Vehicle Burglary

Meadowridge

Thief broke window in van and attempted to steal vehicle. Car alarm sounded and thief fled the scene. Occurred on Sun. 6/27 at 1:30 am.

Stolen Vehicle (UUMV)

Diamond Oaks

Thief stole 1985 Ford, cordless drill, 3 toolboxes & tools from residence. Occurred on Thurs. 6/10 between 5:00 pm and 2:05 am on Fri. 6/11.

Theft \$50 - \$500

Golden Oaks

Thief stole girl's mountain bike off back porch. Occurred on Wed. 6/4 between 10:00 pm and 4:30 pm on Thurs. 6/5.

Theft \$50 - \$500

Diamond Oaks

Thief stole cement fountain out of front yard. Occurred on Tues. 6/22 between 8:00 am and 8:00 am on Wed. 6/23.

The June statistics increased by 2 offenses from the previous month of May. Out of the nine offenses reported, one recovered their stolen possessions and the other did not have anything stolen. Although, they were out money and time for having their vehicles repaired.

AMENDMENTS TO MAY CRIME REPORT:

Luanne Payne

Home Maintenance by Steve Brandt

- Carpentry
- Sheetrock Repair
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- Plumbing
- Replace Shower Pans
- Fence Repair
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Burglary of a Building

Greenview Cir.

Thief stole various yard tools and equipment from storage building in back yard. Occurred on Mon. 5/19 between 5:00 am and 8:00 pm.

Theft Under \$50

Bending Oaks

Thief stole purse & money that was left unattended at a garage sale. Occurred on Fri. 5/2 at 2:30 pm.

The May statistics were not available at the time of publishing the June newsletter. There were only two offenses that were not reported. There was a total of 6 offenses for May which was an increase of only 1 offense from the April report.



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