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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

*DONNA DAYHOFF*

The Oakridge Neighborhood Association had their first General Membership Meeting in September. The Board and myself want to thank all of the members, who attended and hope that at our next membership meeting we will have a larger turnout.

We, the Board, try to bring programs to you that are of interest and informative for our members.

One of the items of business at the meeting that was discussed and a motion made and passed was to have the minutes from the meeting printed in the newsletter. By doing so, this will help keep the members better informed of the discussions that take place at the meeting. Even though you will be receiving the minutes in your newsletter, we hope that this will not keep you from attending the membership meetings. Your input is important to us!

Another item of discussion at the meeting was the Deed and Code Restrictions for each of the eleven (11) areas in Oakridge. A lot of the homeowners did not receive copies of these at the time of purchasing their home. If you are interested in obtaining a copy, please call the Hot-Line Voice Mail (214-967-5136) leave your name, address, and telephone number and we will get back to you.

I would like to thank everyone, who has joined the Oakridge Neighborhood Association this year but we can always use more members. Please ask your neighbors and friends to join us if they have not. It is with the support of your dues (\$36.00 per year) that we can make Oakridge a nice friendly, attractive and safe place to live!

### OAKRIDGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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### THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

The ONA sends a big thank you to Wayne & Dorothy Miles for helping get the ONA directories ready to be mailed. This is another big job, stuffing the envelopes and putting the mailing labels on. It is very time consuming and we appreciate your help. Thanks!

## ONA HOTLINE

*Luanne Payne*

The ONA Hotline is a great way to communicate information to the residents of Oakridge and for the residents to talk back to the ONA. There are times when people call and leave us messages for various reasons, which may not require an answer, so they do not leave their name or number. Whether you call to let us know about a lost or found pet, a new neighbor that has moved in or just to voice your opinion, good or bad, we would like to know who is calling us.

The other day I received a call from someone complaining about not informing Oakridge via the Newsletter that Traffic Control would be set up. This person did not leave their name and automatically assumed the ONA was trying to control the traffic in Oakridge. The ONA does not request Traffic Control to set up radar or issue tickets for rolling thru stop signs. Any resident in Oakridge can call the Traffic Control office and request to have the police set up patrol due to excessive speeding or not stopping at stop signs. When the police department get enough complaints, they go into action. The police department has the right to set up patrol wherever there are trouble spots whether a neighborhood complains or not. The ONA is not responsible if you violate a traffic law and are issued a ticket. There are laws and when broken, if you are caught, you pay the price. It is no ones fault except that of the driver. Many of us are guilty of speeding or rolling thru stop signs, but if neighbors feel this is a potential problem and they want to call the police, it is their privilege to do so.

As far as informing the residents when and where this is going to happen is unknown to the ONA. It is calls like this that bother us since we cannot respond to the complaint because you did not leave your name or number. Oakridge has always had a problem on the major streets with excessive speeding which have caused several bad wrecks. Most of the violators are residents of Oakridge and should be more concerned about the safety in their own neighborhood. This is the first call we have ever received trying to blame the ONA for someone else's mistake. I am sure you are not the only person to receive a ticket that day, but those that did, did not try to blame it on us.

We appreciate you supporting the ONA by paying the annual dues of \$36.00 and hope you will not stop just because of this incident. The ONA is here to provide important information concerning Oakridge via the Newsletter. We are all volunteers and take pride in keeping Oakridge a safe, beautiful and neighborly place to

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**CRIME STATISTICS FOR SEPT. 1997:**

*Luanne Payne*

**Habitation Burglary**

**Diamond Oaks**

Burglar cut screen door in rear of house to enter and stole TV, VCR, golf clubs, phone & various other items. Occurred on Sun. 9/26 between 7:50 am and 5:45 pm.

**Building Burglary**

**Diamond Oaks**

Burglar broke in Country Club snack bar and stole 4 cases of beer and 6 cartons of ice cream. Occurred on Thurs. 9/4 between 10:30 & 11:00 am. A second offense occurred the next day, 9/5 between 4:00 & 7:30 pm. Several cases of soft drinks were stolen.

**Vehicle Burglary**

**Diamond Oaks**

Thief stole checkbook and driver's license from minivan parked on Country Club parking lot. Occurred on Mon. 9/8 between 10:00 am & 3:00 pm.

**Vehicle Burglary**

**Hickory Bend**

Thief stole a vending machine, box of coins, camera and various other items from pick-up. Occurred between Mon. 9/8 and Tues. 9/9 from 6:00 pm and 7:30 am.

**Theft \$500 - \$1500**

**Hearthside**

Thief stole lumber from construction site. Occurred on Tues. 9/2 between midnight and 9:30 am.

**Theft Under \$50**

**Big Oaks**

Thief stole green trash bin. Occurred between Sat. 9/27 and Sun. 9/28 from 9:30 pm and 9:30 am.

**Criminal Mischief**

**Big Oaks**

Vandal threw brick at minivan parked on street. Occurred between Fri. 9/12 and Sat. 9/13 from 8:30 pm and midnight.

**Criminal Mischief**

**Big Oaks**

Vandal threw rock through bedroom window. Occurred on Mon. 9/29 at 4:00 am.

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Crime was down considerably from August which reported 15 offenses, 5 being habitation burglaries. During September, 8 offenses were reported with only one habitation burglary. The next few months everyone should take preventive measures to protect your property. With the holidays ahead, we get busy and forget to lock our doors and remove the keys. We may forget to set our alarms because we are in a hurry. These are the times when we are taken advantage of. So take a little extra time to remove the keys from your doors and set the alarm. Leave a radio or TV on, set lights on timers. Always remember, if you think something or someone is suspicious, go ahead and call the police. If it is something happening right now, call 911. If it has already happened and you would feel better letting the police know, call 205-2150 (non-emergency).



OAKRIDGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
September 25, 1997

President Donna Dayhoff called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM. Approximately 45 members were present.

Minutes from May 29th meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer reported balance as of 9/15/97 was \$20,422.70. Expenses thru 9/15/97 was \$1,451.87.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: Mary Musseman reported we have 458 paid members. We asked for a volunteer for civic and political.

Environmental: Cy Farver has purchased locks and will be putting them on next week. Cy will also be talking to our landscaper about doing pre-emergent for next year.

Crime Watch: Luanne Payne reported there were 15 offenses recently. A car was stolen in one instance. Five burglaries alone were on homes that had no alarm systems.

Discussion: A motion was passed that the minutes from the meetings be published in the newsletter, which will be done and started immediately. Another homeowner wants the deed restrictions put in the newsletter and we voted no.

On 4 way stop signs - A petition will be going around for approval to have them put in at certain locations.

We had guests from the City of Garland - James Balloweis, San. & Recycling Ops. Mgr. Anita Russellman, Planning Comm. Assist. Dir. & Larry Cervenka, Asst. Trans. Dir. They all talked about some new things going on in our areas. Comm. Credit Union is moving next to Super 1. A dart station will be going in at Jupiter & Forest Ln. A new recycling program will be started on 1/6/98. The schedules will be in our upcoming utility bills.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Beverly Thomas

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**MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

Mary Musseman

As of October 13th, the O.N.A. has 444 paid members. Thanks to all who have renewed or joined. We really do appreciate your support. After a few delays, the roster is finally in the mail to you. If you have not received your copy, please call me at 414-1098. I'll be glad to drop one off

**OAKRIDGE WELCOME WAGON**

Lila LaGrassa and Vicki Hanas

The following families were welcomed into Oakridge in October.

Big Oaks	Linda Dax
Diamond Oaks	Amber Roy
Fulton	Dennis and Lesley Croysdale
Hearthside	Charles Robinson
Oak Point	Larry and Cindy Stinnett
Overview	Diane Edwards
Oak Springs	George Adams
Peakwood	Paul and Sharon Mayer
	Nancy Williams
Ridge Oak	Leon and Mallory Brown

Thanks to the Stinnetts and Diane Edwards for joining the O.N.A.

The Welcome Wagon is maintained by Lila and Vickie and their work is very much appreciated. As always we would like to receive any info. you can give us about new move-ins. Please leave a message with Lila at 530-8618 or the O.N.A. hotline at (214) 967-5136.



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**OAKRIDGE WOMEN'S CLUB**

*Karen Wheeler*

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We will be meeting Wednesday, November 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Oakridge Country Club to discuss plans for the Christmas parties. The children's party is currently scheduled for December 14th, 2:30-5:00 p.m. and the adult's party for December 4th.

**MAKE NEW FRIENDS!!**

The primary purpose of the Oakridge Women's Club is to develop friendships with others in the neighborhood. Our monthly meetings are held at a member's home, a local restaurant or at the country club. We plan monthly activities for our children, plan seasonal events, and enjoy socializing with other families in Oakridge.

If you are thinking about checking us out...now is the time! We have some great things planned this year. Our dues are only \$12 per year and are used for children's activities and printing costs.

If you have any questions or would like to join the Oakridge Women's Club please call Lisa Kolacz at 496-5188.

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