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President's Message - Donna Dayhoff

Here it is almost time for my term as president to end. I would like to thank all the board members and members for their support during my tenure.

While serving as president of the ONA, I have seen our membership continue to increase. As we have increased our membership, it has allowed us to do monthly maintenance of our entryways and perimeters, have members involved in the "Citizen on Patrol" program, clean and paint our entrance signs and add irrigation at one of our entries. These are not all the tasks and may not seem to be large tasks but they are tasks that help us have a neighborhood where we can be "proud" to reside.

I know that the ONA members will support the new officers for next year as you have during my term. Hopefully, I will see all of you at our last 1998-99 membership meeting on Thursday, May 20th at Oakridge Country Club. We will have a social hour starting at 6:30 p.m. --- meeting at 7:30 Asst. City Manager Ron Jones will present our program "Neighborhood Revitalization". So be sure to come, meet your neighbors, elect the 1999-2000 officers, become a new member or renew your membership and enjoy the program.

Again thank you to the 1998-99 board members for volunteering your time and being so supportive. I know the new board members will work hard to keep Oakridge a great neighborhood to call H-O-M-E.

Have a great summer!

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Oakridge Neighborhood Association **General Membership Meeting** Thursday, May 20, 1999



Social Hour: 6:30 p.m. - Meeting: 7:30 p.m.



Program - Ron Jones, Asst. City Manager "Garland Neighborhood Revitalization"





Environmental Committee:

Cy Farver

Almost all the entrances with sprinkler systems have flowers planted. The exception is the entrance at Big Oaks and Shiloh, we have the electric meter installed but have been unable to get the water turned on. The city advises this has been done but no water. Our groundskeeper advises the city has not been returning his phone calls about this problem. Flowers will be planted as soon as we know they will have water.

We have planted flowers at Overview and Buckingham, but we have no water at this entrance. The sprinklers that were there, were destroyed by the builders when the homes were built on this corner. We will be getting a bid for replacing this system. In the meantime, they will be watered by hand.

Many thanks for the generous gifts to the flower fund. Contributions were received this month from:

> Ms. Dee Erwin M/M Ron Harbach Ms. Amy Jahnel Ms. Gladys McGhee M/M George Moore M/M James Nugent

In addition, Ms. Diane Owens and Ms. Sharon Parrish are donating Iris tubers for replanting as backdrop at some of the entrances. If anyone has similar cuttings to donate, call me. I'll be happy to help transplant them.

A special thanks goes to Ms. Sharon Parrish for volunteering and planting the flowers at the Overview entrance. It makes my job much easier when extra hands are able and willing to pitch in on the plantings in the spring and fall. Almost 600 flowers have been planted this spring to make Oakridge a more pleasant place for you and your guests.

We are making some progress on replacing the column caps around the perimeter. This project should be completed during the month. The Board has agreed to fund this initial replacement, but future replacements will be the responsibility of the homeowners owning the property.

LET SUE DO IT

The refrigerator repairman is coming today but you have an important meeting

LET SUE DO IT

You need a week away, but Kitty and Rover don't want to go to the Kennel

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The possibilities are endless (and the prices are reasonable)

- Pet/House Sitting
- Errands
- Taking kids to soccer, ortho, Etc.
- Shopping
- Grocery Shopping (Especially for Home Bound Seniors)
- Etc., Etc.

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OAKRIDGE DAYTIMERS

By Roberta Jones

Our "May Hats & Salad Luncheon" at Diane Owens on May 11th wrapped up the first season of the Oakridge Daytimers. We had a wonderful attendance and prizes were awarded for "Beautiful Bonnet", "Old Hat with a History", "Crazy Creation", "Hysterical Headpiece" and "Ribbons & Roses". Watch for photos of the winners in next month's newsletter.

During the summer months, we will replace our monthly Coffees with casual luncheon gettogethers at some local restaurants. Just come on the second Tuesday in June, July and August at 11:30 a.m.

♦ June 8th Cafe Max @ Campbell & N. Plano Rd.

♦ July 13th Oakridge Country Club
 ♦ August 10th Ryan's on Buckingham

We encourage all 38 members to attend these luncheons to keep our club active over these summer months. As always, an open invitation is extended to all Oakridge ladies who would like to come and experience the fun and friendship of neighbors.

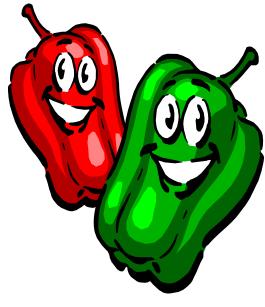
Also continuing for the summer will be the various activity groups. Just call the coordinators for the pertinent information.

♦ Craft Group: Norene Murphy 972-530-6669 or Sarah Traylor 972-414-5383

♦ Book Club: JoAnn Williams 972-530-2938
♦ Bridge Club: Jane Buchanan 972-530-4762
♦ Walkers Group: Barbara Brunette 972-530-4288
♦ Hospitality: Dianne Winter 972-530-6210
♦ Breakfast Group: Diane Owens 972-495-7383

A heartfelt thanks to so many of you for the encouragement, support and hard work you have given these past nine months. This "dream" of ours to help make Oakridge a more friendly and close-knit community is now coming true! Thanks!





Ballot for 1999-2000 ONA Officers & Directors Mary Musseman

The following list of names will be presented by the nominating committee and voted on at the May 20th General Membership meeting to represent the new Officers and Directors for the upcoming year.

OFFICERS

President: Mike Rose Vice-President: Jim Griffin Secretary: Fern Cook

Treasurer: Joanne Schmerheim

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District 1: Joan McDole

(Sec. 1)

District 2: Karen Hearn

(Sec. 10)

District 4: Bill Johnson

(Sec. 11)

District 7: Donna Visneau

(Sec. 7 & 8)

MEMBERSHIP:

Mary Musseman

The ONA currently has 437 members. Your renewal invoice will be mailed out soon. You'll receive a small envelope with the ONA's name and address to be used to mail back your form and check. We THANK YOU for your continued support and look forward to seeing you at the May 20th General Membership Meeting.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Police & Fire Emergencies 911 **Police Non-Emergencies** 972-205-2150 **Lone Star Gas** 1-800-817-8090 Sanitation 972-205-3500 **Environmental Code** 972-205-3800 **Animal Control** 972-205-3570 **Poison Center** 1-800-764-7661 Street Light Repair 972-205-3483 **Electricity Emergency** 972-205-3000 Water & Sewer 972-205-3210 Councilman, Lowell Hyatt 972-495-9394 Off. Stephanie Webb, NPO 972-205-2740 **ONA Hotline** 214 -967-5136



CRIME STATISTICS FOR APRIL 1999:

Luanne Payne

The April crime statistics were not available at the time of printing. Both April and May reports will be printed in the June newsletter.

TAKE TIME TO TRAVEL

OAKRIDGE WOMEN'S CLUB

Libby Morse



At the Last Meeting:

We need Oakridge Residents to volunteer to help with the fourth of July Parade! Opportunity knocks...If you own your own business please consider sponsoring the OWC's Fourth of July Parade by donating a free prize or service. You will receive free advertisement as well as a great feeling of supporting this event that is enjoyed by many in Oakridge.

Call Vicki Scott at 972-414-3397 if you can help with set-up, clean up or donate money or items for raffle! This is a fun tradition for the kids in the neighborhood!

Have all of the kids and grandchildren start planning for the parade! They just need to decorate themselves, their bikes, tricycle, wagon, stroller etc... and meet at the Oakridge Country Club at 9 A.M. on the 4th of July! The parade route will be listed with more information in the June newsletter.

<u>Couples</u>: The May couples activity was a dinner and a play "Pirates of Panzance". It was great!

In June we are planning to see the "Caveman". Call Sharron at 972-530-3873 if you are interested.

<u>Next Month:</u> The next meeting will be held on Tuesday June 2nd at Pam Trutna's house. The meeting begins at 7:30 P.M. We will finalize plans for the Parade.

About the OWA: Come and join us at the Oakridge Women's Club. We meet the first Tuesday of each month! It is a great way to get to know your neighbors, their families and have fun! Outings are scheduled with a variety of interests in mind. We have holiday parties for the kids, nights out for the girls, and couple only activities! Please join us! Our dues are only \$15 dollars per year. This is used for children's activities and printing costs.

If you are interested in joining please call Mary Anne Cullum at 972-495-9312 for membership information.

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- * Return everything you borrow
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- * Admit it when you make a mistake
- * Give clothes not worn in three years to a charity
- * Do something nice and try not to get caught
- * Listen more, talk less
- * Everyday take a 30 minute walk
- * Strive for excellence, not perfection
- * Be on time
- * Don't make excuses
- * Don't argue
- * Get organized
- * Be kind to kind people
- * Be even kinder to unkind people
- * Let someone cut ahead of you in line
- * Take time to be alone
- * Reread a favorite book
- Cultivate good manners
- * Be humble
- * Realize and accept that life isn't always fair
- * Know when to say something
- * Know when to keep your mouth shut
- * Go an entire day without criticizing anyone
 - * Learn from the past
 - * Plan for the future
 - * Live in the present
 - * Don't sweat the small stuff
 - * It's all small stuff

From Oakridge Country Club:

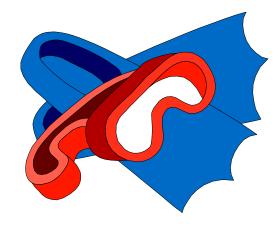
Summer is definitely just around the corner. The kids will be out of school, the grass will be greener, the swimming pool will be open and the tennis balls spinning. We are very pleased of the many improvements that will be going on at the Club this summer. We would like to take this opportunity to ask that you do not use the cart paths or the golf course as it will be temporarily closed for improvements. It is very tempting to use them as a walk trail or a bike trail. Our staff and our marshals will appreciate your cooperation. I hope that your summer is very enjoyable.

Sincerely;

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