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Libby Morse

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At the Last Meeting: We met at Tia's Tex Mex in May. It was fun. We seem to have a great turnout where Good food is involved! We planned an outing in September to Tony's Wine Warehouse. Mark your calendars.

Next Month: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday June 6th at Trisha's house. The meeting begins at 7:00 P.M. We will finalize plans for the Parade. Please call Trisha for further information: 972-414-9141

About The OWC

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 per year! Just call Kay Steelman at 972-495-4879 for information, or E-mail Libby at tom-lib@home.com.

GET WELL SOON SHARRON! WE MISS YOU!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY SURPRISE PARTY

By Laverne Wilcox

On Friday, April 21st, Oakridge resident, Jewel Wooldridge was surprised with a lavish birthday celebration at Royal Oaks Country Club. Hosted by her son and daughter-in-law, Gene and Sharon Wooldridge, and daughter, Cheryl Beard, the Cocktail/Buffer was attended by her immediate family, many relatives and personal friends. Oakridge Country Club members and neighbors in attendance included: Doris Autrey, Margaret Barnes, Martha Boyette, Jo Bristol, Hal and Norma Brixby, Bevo and Betty Burrage, Melvia Coppedge, Bill and June Edwards, Audrey Golden, Emily Krause, Eleanor Nelson, John and Dot Mohrie, Gladys McGee, Margaret Roberts, Wally and JoAnn Scherheim, Dick and Hazel Toberney, LaVerne Wilcox and Ed and Charlyne Winborn. Everyone enjoyed the cocktails and delicious food as well as the great fellowship.

Jewel is an avid supporter of Oakridge Country Club and the Oakridge Neighborhood Association where she has been a member and resident since 1985. Her party was a tribute to a great lady and friend on her very special birthday.

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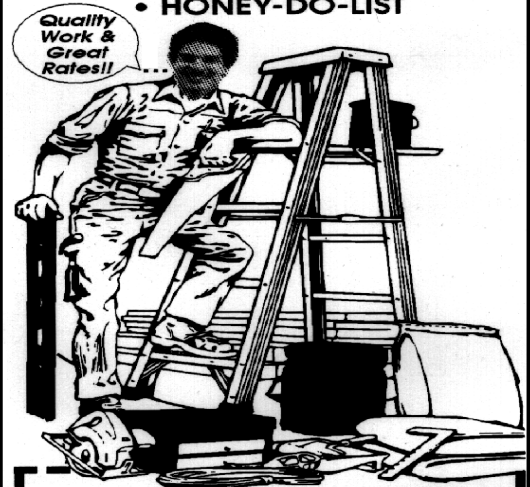
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OAKRIDGE TRAVELERS

Dianne Winter

On Good Friday, Howard and Suzanne Pelton left for their third trip to New Zealand, a favorite vacation destination. In August they will travel to the French Riviera for the first time where Howard will present a paper at the InterNoise 2000 meeting in Nice.

Margaret Fowler returns to the country of birth - England. Spending 12 days in London, Waterford, the Cotswolds, Shopshire, Ludlow, and the Shakespeare area of Stratford-on-Avon, she will be not only enjoying the countryside, but visiting relatives.

Also visiting relatives in her birthplace will be Trudy Schmidt. She will rendezvous in Chicago with daughters from Seattle and Houston and meet cousins that she hasn't seen in many years.

Sue Pauley reports that they will be roaming near and far this summer and will view the spectacular Niagara Falls.

The Patties have returned from attending a wedding in Chattanooga, Tennessee. They also included some sight-seeing.

The Ray Williams have returned from some southwestern Rand R in Santa Fe.

Congratulations Graduate

Alison Panasik graduates from Garland High and plans to attend Baylor University. GO BEARS! Alison served as Varsity Cheerleader and cheered the '99 GHS Football Team to State victory. She participated in Celebration-GHS Show Band and she traveled with the a cappella choir to Austria for the International Music Festival.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Irene Arbuckle was surprised with a 75th birthday party in her honor at Oakridge Country Club. Husband, Wally, had made the arrangements along with daughter, Vicki, and Irene was very surprised! Along with daughter, Vicki Eakin, and husband, Kenney, and son David Arbuckle and wife, Kay, about 25 other relatives and long-time friends attended. Irene had just returned from a trip to Bermuda with Vicki and will be traveling soon with Wally on a trip to Las Vegas.

GET WELL WISHES

Best of Health to Sharon Smith in her recovery.

PIANO RECITAL

Beverly Panasik will reward her 18 piano students with numerous awards for piano practice, performances, and theory during their May recital.

GRANDPARENTS

Dan and Roberta Jones join Harold and Judy Whittington as proud grandparents of TWINS. Is this an Oak Point thing? Congratulations! All grandparents, parents, and babies are doing well.

MEMBERSHIP

Mary Musseman

As of May 10, 2000 our membership is at 420 members. We'll be mailing newsletters out to the entire neighborhood. I've already received some renewal checks and I appreciate your effort to get them to me early. It's always nice to get your checks in May because then I don't need to send you an invoice for your 2000-2001 dues.

I will be stepping down as Membership Chairman as of May 31, 2000. I've enjoyed working with so many neighbors the past five years and I appreciate all the help that I've received from FRIENDS too numerous to mention over this period of time. I'm proud of the fact that the O.N.A. is starting its ninth year. I do regret that we've never been able to reach 500 members, but I won't give up hope. Hope you have a great summer.



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As the new ONA Board takes over, look for the times of their regularly scheduled meetings to be published on the web site. Perhaps the monthly agenda will appear there too.

There are several committee positions open. Please contact any officer or director to see where your talent may best be utilized. It is not hard demanding work but someone must do it or there will be no ONA.

The Oakridge Neighborhood Association would like to offer our whole hearted thanks to those who are stepping down from their area of responsibility within our organization. Many of these folks have given of their time above and beyond what is normally expected. Without people who are committed and involved there would be no Oakridge Neighborhood Association. Thank you.

SEE YOU AT THE MAY 25th MEETING. Don't forget to check the web site to find out about your organization.

NOMINEES

These are the nominees for the 9th year of the ONA. The committee was headed by Nelson Prater.

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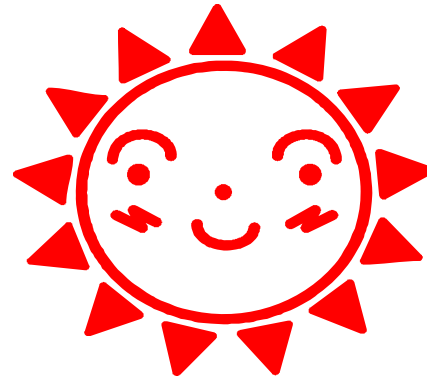
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NOTABLE NEIGHBORS

Dianne Winter

While enjoying our April Oakridge Neighborhood Association Meeting, it occurred to me that the most notable of all neighbors are the officers of the ONA who have accepted the volunteer positions in the organization and give their time and effort for the benefit of our community.

The history of ONA seems to begin with the development of the community-approximately 15 yrs ago- but was interrupted by a lack of successful organization until about 8 yrs. ago when, it is reported, John Gay spearheaded an effort to reorganize.

Several people have held the position of president since then - Scott Youzva, Jo Ann Schmerheim, Jack Rash, Luanne Payne, and Donna Dayhoff. These people organized committees that would clean up the perimeter of the area. Due to the growth of ONA and all the residents who support it now, the job of keeping the perimeter of Oakridge clean is now paid for by membership dues. The perimeter continues to require landscaping and someone to oversee the care of it, and Cy Farver, Environmental Chairman, has handled that job faithfully.

Currently serving as president is Mike Rose. Mike moved to Oakridge in June, 1990, and has been active in ONA for about 2 1/2 years. His family includes his wife Janet and a married son and granddaughter. He has been in Commercial Real Estate since 1971 and enjoys playing tennis and eating. He appreciates Oakridge for its good location, pleasant environment, and diversity in the age of people. Mike feels it is an advantage to have a community that includes young people as well as retirees.

The Griffins, Jim and Jackie are long timers at Oakridge having moved here in 1985 along with Checkers and Sadie, their dogs. Their PC stays busy with Jim at PrimeSearch and Jackie and her projects. Jim serves as vice president of ONA and Jackie as Newsletter chairman. This newsletter is sent to ONA members and is one of the great perks of joining the ONA. Jackie also enjoys sewing, crafting, crocheting and reading. Jackie also started the Lone Oak Trail red light decorations for Christmas that we all enjoy. The Griffins feel that ONA has helped them be more involved in their environment and helped them to meet neighbors.

The Cooks, Jim and Fern, have lived in Oakridge since 1988 and Fern served on the Finance Committee for 6 years. She is retired from the position of manager of Kraft General Foods, now Kraft America Credit Union and currently serves as the secretary of ONA. She has one child, 2 grandsons, and 4 great-grandchildren. She loves to spend her time with these great grandchildren and they are now her hobby. Fern reports that she loves living here in a neighborhood that has residents who have pride in their property and keep it maintained well.

Jo Ann Schmerheim has lived in Oakridge since 1985 and has worked with ONA "since it started". She has held many positions including newsletter chairman, treasurer, and president. She currently serves as treasurer and continues to give to the community in spite of poison ivy and illness. Jo Ann contributed much of the historical information for this article. Although previously you could find Jo Ann on the golf course or at the bridge table, she has slowed her schedule somewhat, but still serves ONA.

Chairmen who faithfully serve are Mary Musseman, who has given many hours to the acquisition of members as Membership Chair-

man, and Luanne Payne, who has worked on practically every committee and offered more volunteer hours than you can count.

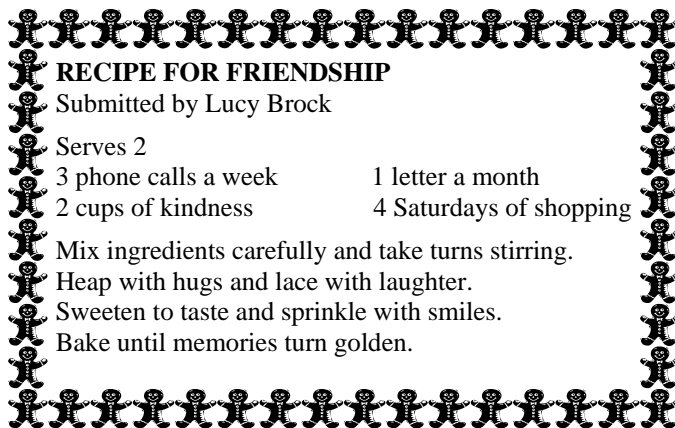
Luanne has served as Citizen on Patrol Chairman and Welcome Wagon Chairman. She organizes the decoration of the street light posts in Oakridge at Christmas and oversees the delivery of food to our district firemen who serve at Christmas. These 2 volunteers are model neighbors.

Also serving is Bill Johnson who serves as Citizens on Patrol Chairman but has helped in many capacities. Gary and Peggy Richey serve on the Architectural Committee and are great cheerleaders for our area.

There are also directors who serve our 7 districts. They are, in order of their district: Joan Mc Dole, Karen Hearn, Diana Edwards, Bill Johnson, Kathy Cypert, and Nelson Prater.

We owe many thanks to these people who serve to keep our neighborhood notable. They make great neighbors and the good thing about the situation is that they are OURS. Let's help them in any way that we can. The first step is to be sure you have joined ONA - that helps everyone!

If you have a notable neighbor call me at 972-530-6210 or send an e-mail to ddwinter@home.com



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OAKRIDGE DAYTIMERS

by Dianne Winter

Raindrops could not dampen our spirits or our chapeaus as we celebrated our second annual hat luncheon at the lovely home of Diane Owens on May 9. Salads galore and desserts tickled our taste buds while we visited and then listened to stories about the hats.

Twenty- eight members related their hat happenings while judges made decisions. Thanks to Carol Kerbel and Sandra Moore for judging. The winners in each category were:
 Beautiful Bonnet - Janice Schaddegg (Golden bird theme)

Hats with a History - Betty Roberson (keepsake of her father's hat)

Tale-Telling Tams- Roberta Jones (tea party theme)

Crazy Creations- Brenda Britton (garden hat)

All the ladies were winners though, as we viewed Audrey Golden's crazy creation with sunflowers that her friend made for her, Norene Murphy's complete ensemble as a tribute to her son's cotton gin in Weinert, Jackie Tucker's hat with heirloom jewelry, Molly Wood's beautiful bonnet, Luanne and Mary Jo's invisible hats, Jane Buchanan's bridge hat and Diane Owen's boa hat, JoAnn Schmerheim and Betty Thomas' planting hats along with Sue Pauley's mask hat and Mary Musseman's memory repeat hat, Gail Durbin's daughter assisted hat and many other great and creative stories and hats. Even our new member, Betty Sloane, joined the festivities by wearing a hat.

We are all looking forward to summer activities. The Book Club will be reading, but no meetings after May until September. The Walkers and Bridge groups will continue on their same schedule as will the Craft group.

Daytime and Nighttime Canasta have been added. Call Barbara Brunette (972-530-4288) for Daytime and Margaret Fowler (972-530-8585) for Nighttime schedule. The next special event will be a **Luncheon at Cappuccino's on June 27th**. Call Diane Owens (973-530-6513) for details. **High Tea at Lavendou's on July 7th**. Call Brenda Britton (972-530-6722) or JoAnn Williams (972-530-2938) for reservations.

Call president, Roberta Jones, (972-414-7277) for information concerning the organization. Our membership has steadily increased and we invite you to join us.

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Welcome Wagon

Luanne Payne

The ONA Welcome Wagon is back in business after being off for two months because of my Mother's illness and unexpected death. But I am back and welcomed 12 fairly new residents to Oakridge this past week. Like always, if you know of someone who has moved in on your street, please give me a call so I can welcome them. The May newsletter is delivered to the entire neighborhood and if you are new to Oakridge and have been overlooked, please give me a call and I will get a basket of cookies and information about the ONA delivered to you. If any of the names listed below happen to be your neighbor, take a few minutes to walk over and say hello.

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3110 Ridge Oak Drive

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Pamela Stephens
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2125 Rolling Oak

Barbara Olsen
2222 Rolling Oak

Dist. 4 Jeff & Ellen Biggs
2722 Winding Oak Trail

Don & Janice Schadegg (Joined ONA)
2805 Oak Point

Harold & Betty Stevens
2817 Laurel Oaks Drive

I hope you have seen the new Oakridge Membership Drive signs that are posted at each of the nine entryways. This means the ONA will be starting its ninth year showing our dedication and commitment to making Oakridge a stronger, safer and more beautiful neighborhood to live in. Remember, this association is run by volunteers and we need everyone's support to make this a successful association. There are 1180 homes in Oakridge and we have a little more than a third membership. The annual dues of \$48, which is only \$4/month, doesn't even compete with other neighborhoods in our area. If you haven't joined the ONA yet, please consider doing so this year. If you are a member, then Thank You for your continued support.

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ONA POET'S CORNER

by Bill Johnson

This little rhyme is by Natalie Brannian, who lives in Oceanside, CA. I found it in a Dear Ann Landers column. Enjoy – especially all of you tea drinkers!

Tea Drinker's Lament

Won't someone please take pity on me.
For, in a restaurant, I order hot tea.
My friends who drink coffee are filled with glee.
Their cups are kept full – but no seconds for me.
With coffee in hand, the waitress walks fast.
I try to say, "Please," but she's already passed.
I feel I'm neglected, rejected, and gee ...
Are those who drink coffee all that better than me?

Okay, I know there are those in Oakridge who like to rhyme. Send me your poems and see yourself in print in our newsletter. Surprise your spouse and embarrass your children (for a change)!

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