



# Oakridge News

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## President's Letter

By Mark Monroe, ONA President

Hello Friends and Neighbors,

Well it is the beginning of October and we are trying to start the fall season out with a real bang! Brenda Olive, Rebecca Chanez, Sharon Carlton and Trecia Hamilton have been working diligently on the **National Night Out** event on October, 7th at the Oakridge Country Club. We have banners, DJ, food, door prizes, games, children events, local retailers, Fire and Police Departments, and Careflite, etc. Well all of this is coming together to be a great event BUT it will not mean much if you do not bring yourself, your family and your friends. So I am expecting to see at least a couple of hundred of you!

The ONA is in need of some people to fill some vacancies on our boards and committees. We could use some help forming a 3-5 person communication team to help and assist in making sure that the ONA is running like a fine oiled machine. If you, your spouse or children have time and a little talent, please contact me. I am looking for those that enjoy working on websites and have the time and desire to help the ONA. Keith Engler has done a terrific job for us but we need to relieve some of the responsibilities that Keith has been shouldered with. By the way, the pay is terrific (voluntary) and I promise a ton of "great jobs."

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## National Night Out in Oakridge — OCTOBER 7th

**WHEN:** October 7th, 6:30 pm—9:00 pm

**WHERE:** Oakridge Country Club parking lot.

Join us and numerous local businesses in celebrating **2008 National Night Out** in Oakridge. **Food, fun, music, and more!!**

**Door Prizes** (must register & be present to win), **Fun GAMES** for Adults, **Bounce House** for Kids, **Special Drawing** for a ride along with a Garland Police Officer for a full 8 hour shift!! (must be 21 years of age and pass a criminal background check)

PLUS, bring the whole family and check out Police Vehicles, Fire Trucks & the Careflite Helicopter!

And don't miss the food!

**Hot dogs, BBQ** (by our very own ONA President, Mark Monroe), **Delicious Homemade Cookies** from our Daytimers members

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Oakridge Neighborhood Association  
Oakridge Daytimers  
Oakridge Women's Club

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***Don't Miss It!!***

## Oakridge Daytimers Celebrate Tenth Anniversary

By Dianne Winter

More than half of the original 17 members of the 1998 newly formed Daytimers Group were present for the celebration of the tenth year of friendship, support, service and information that this organization has provided. The founder, Roberta Jones, who now lives in Fairview, was present. Sharon Carlton, president, presented her with an engraved crystal clock and Roberta expressed thanks and appreciation to the group of forty ladies who were in attendance at the home of past president, Cecile La Bossiere on September 9, 2008.

In recognition of the anniversary, a proclamation from the mayor of Garland was read and presented by Rick Williams, City Councilman, and a letter from former councilman and present Oakridge Neighborhood Association president, Mark Monroe, was read by Shirley Mohler. JoAnn Williams designed and produced new name tags to commemorate the anniversary. Also there was a slide show featuring photos of the past years of Daytimers.

President, Sharon Carlton, presented the plans for an exciting upcoming year. Jo Dietz, vice president, announced the need for food and house hostesses. Treasurer, Mary Pattie, collected dues of \$15.

Sharon introduced 2 visitors who later joined the group: Brenda Olive and Betty Cosgray. Loren Titorenko, Cecile's niece, was also introduced and helped hostess the meeting. In addition Mary Musseman was visiting from Alaska and the Daytimers welcomed back Emily Krause. A previous member, Gail Durbin, who moved to St. Louis, sent a nice letter of congratulations. A *Thinking of You* greeting card was circulated to be signed and sent to Norene Murphy, previous member.

Peggy Crenshaw, Book Club leader, invited readers to the next meeting when No Water for Elephants by Sara Gruen will be discussed. Peggy also produces the calendars each month to keep the Daytimers "up to date" with activities. Audrey King will be congratulating members who are celebrating birthdays and Becky Thomas will keep in touch with those with health problems or other concerns.

Suzanne Snow will be planning programs for some of the meetings and JoAnn Williams will be planning some "Fun on the Run" activities. Interest groups such as *Stitch and Chat*, *Bridge, Canasta* and *Mah Jongg* were introduced with sign up sheets for those interested.

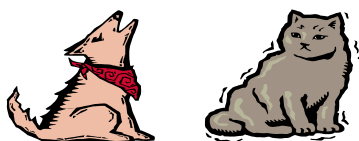
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## Oakridge Daytimers Celebrate Tenth Anniversary

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Charlotte Vaughter and assistants will be messaging by phone and Sally Weiss will message by email. Sharon Carlton is featuring a new idea in recipes. If you have an appetizer recipe you would like to share, please email it (or them) to Sharon and she will distribute them to the group by email.

Shirley Mohler announced the National Night Out for Texas and Oakridge to be celebrated on October 7th at the Oakridge Country Club from 6:30- 9:00 pm. Daytimers' responsibility will be to provide cookies and cupcakes. There are many great activities planned for you. Call Shirley to donate cookies.

The format of the meeting was changed for the convenience of those who need to leave early so the business meeting is now conducted first and the social time follows. The food hostesses who provided the special refreshments for this meeting were Suzanne Snow, Jo Dietz, Becky Parks, Mary Pattie and Cecile who contributed her famous biscuits and gravy. The occasion called for a special decorated cake that congratulated the Daytimers.

Kim Gingerich, Hospitality leader, gathered the name tags for the door prize drawing and Cecile's niece, Loren, drew the winning name – Shirley Mohler.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Suzanne Snow, 2722 Big Oaks, on October 14th at 10 am. The Daytimers invite

you to join them for the friendship, fun and information that the organization provides.

Daytimers is a social organization that requires residence in Oakridge and \$15.00 yearly dues. Daytimers promotes the Oakridge community and the Oakridge Neighborhood Association. Any questions should be directed to Sharon Carlton at 972 530 4317.



Rick Williams presents a proclamation from the mayor to Shirley Carlton (left) and Roberta Jones (right).

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**DATE:** SATURDAY OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>

**TIME:** 1 TO 5 PM

**LOCATION:** 2921 OAK SPRINGS DRIVE.

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.

INFORMATION & DIRECTIONS:

972-495-8776 or [beckyandsonny@verizon.net](mailto:beckyandsonny@verizon.net)

**President's Letter**

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Please know that we are continuing to make strides in our neighborhood revitalization plan. You will soon see the new street lights being placed throughout the neighborhood and the continuation of landscaping of our entrances. I think our new entrance signs look phenomenal and many thanks to Joe Fagan for doing the leg work.

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments,

Mark Monroe

**Volunteers Needed for  
ONA committees**

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## October is National Community Planning Month

**Garland, Texas** – The City of Garland continues opportunities for public input related to the *Envision Garland* comprehensive plan project. This fall's *Growing the Vision!* workshop is scheduled during National Community Planning Month.

How do you get to work or school? Where do you live? Where do you shop? Many citizens do not realize that these decisions are all impacted by planning.

October has been designated National Community Planning Month by the American Planning Association (APA) as a way to highlight the role of planners and planning in our community. The month-long celebration is an opportunity to recognize how planning shapes Garland, including the work of planners and the planning profession in creating communities of lasting value.

Residents, businesses, and property owners are invited to participate in this upcoming community workshop, referred to as – Growing the Vision! The purpose of the upcoming workshop is to gain deeper insight into previous comments. The workshop format will be similar to the summer's Community Visioning Workshop, that is, presentations and discussion, including a hands-on activity. There are four different opportunities to participate. Each workshop will have identical discussions; the various dates and locations are intended to aid public attendance.

Participants are encouraged to attend one of these Garland workshops:

**Tues., Oct. 14:** 6 – 8:30 p.m. S Garland High School (600 Colonel Dr)

**Thurs., Oct. 30:** 6 – 8:30 p.m. Naaman Forest High School (4843 Naaman Forest Blvd)

**Tues., Nov. 11:** 6 – 8:30 p.m. Seller Middle School (1009 Mars Dr)

**Sat., Dec. 6:** 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon Bradfield Elementary School (3817 Bucknell Dr)

For more information about the workshops, call 972-205-2445, send an email ([EnvisionGarland@ci.garland.tx.us](mailto:EnvisionGarland@ci.garland.tx.us)) or visit the website ([www.EnvisionGarland.org](http://www.EnvisionGarland.org)).



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