

Oakridge News

January 2014

Vol. 22, No. 1



Scatter Shooting with Mike Rose

With the new year approaching and so many new people moving into Oakridge, I felt it was important to reiterate the purpose of the Oakridge Neighborhood Association (ONA) .

The ONA was established in 1992 as an incorporated association of homeowners and tenants residing in the Oakridge Addition to the City of Garland, Dallas County, Texas.

The ONA is a 501(c)(4) corporation consisting of a general membership, elected officers, Board of Directors, and committees. The purpose of the Association is to assure the beauty, safety, and stability of the area and the surrounding community; and to promote neighborliness and pride among the residents.

Please note that the ONA is not part of the golf course. The ONA does feel that the Golf Course is a critical part of the neighborhood but **none** of the ONA dues goes to the golf course.

The ONA sent an invoice last June at the start of the fiscal year. PayPal is a secondary option as requested by various members.

We need your support to help keep our neighborhood one of the best places to live in the Metroplex.

Dues are \$60 per year which goes toward:

- Annual ONA membership directories.
- Landscaping & maintenance of Oakridge neighborhood entrances
- Mowing, edging, fertilizing, weed control, trash pickup, water and utilities of the perimeter of the Oakridge neighborhood
- Holiday decorations throughout the neighborhood from Thanksgiving through New Year's Day
- Other capital improvements to the neighborhood (as funds allow)

District 7 City Council Scott LeMay

Council Updates-

We are continuing to evaluate options for relocating the Pace and Lyles Houses. This has been an ongoing issue since the start of construction on the City Center project downtown. We were presented two options for relocating them. One being in Central Park, the other being adjacent to the Central Library and the new home of the Santa Fe Depot and train car. The Central Park option didn't gain much favor since it would remove the historical homes from the Historic Downtown District. Either option comes at a cost that is estimated to be around \$600,000. That would include relocation and refurbishment to both structures as well as some ongoing maintenance funds. In November we held another public hearing on what should be done with the houses. The majority of those who spoke were in favor of saving them, although some did speak out that the city could do other things with that money. Both are very valid points. I was encouraged by one speaker who expressed an interest in establishing and collecting private funding to save and preserve them. This is really the best solution and I hope to have more information on this soon.

Speaking of fixing up houses we got an update about a new program called DIY Garland. It has the tag line, "Do it yourself, not by yourself." This program will kick-off in January 2014 and it will partner the city with Home Depot and Habitat for Humanity of Garland. The goal is to de-

velop grass roots partnerships between neighbors and neighborhood groups while providing technical and material support. By doing this we can not only improve homes but also establish better relations between neighbors. I am very excited about this and I will pass on additional information as it comes available.

Around The District-


I am happy to report that the pond work in Fred Harris Park at the corner of Shiloh & Campbell is complete. Getting this pond to hold water has been an ongoing challenge for many years. Our Parks Department has worked very hard to re-engineer the soil and base by treating and compacting it. After those efforts were completed we obtained a permit from Dallas Water Utilities to draw untreated water from Spring Creek to re-fill the pond. We would have loved it if Mother Nature had stepped in but unfortunately the amount of rain needed far exceeded all forecasts. I have to say it has dramatically improved the look of that corner and certainly enhanced the park for those who use it.

As always I encourage you to use the city's website for information about the city. When that doesn't work you can always contact me. My direct cell phone number is (214) 794-8904 and my direct email is scottlemayd7@gmail.com.

-Scott LeMay

Garland City Council- District 7

**ESTATE SALES
BY
GRANNY'S DISCARDS**



<p>Jerra Lewis <i>Owner</i> 972-670-0373 (Cell) 972-675-2191 (Home)</p>	<p>Jan Schrah <i>Owner</i> 972-670-2710 (Cell) 972-675-6678 (Home)</p>
--	---

janischrg@live.com
philjerralewis@hotmail.com

**People Helping People
in our hometown**



214 North 12th Street
Garland, TX 75040
Phone: 972-276-2263

**Rover won't go to the kennel?
The repairman is coming?
If the dilemmas get endless...**



Let Sue Do It

grocery shopping (especially for home bound)
mail and paper pickup (nominal charge)
errands (bank, cleaners, pharmacy)
pet sitting or house sitting



Oakridge area resident since 1988
Sue Hageland 972-530-5089
Reasonable Prices

Tony's Diner

*Southern Comfort Foods -Prepared Fresh Daily
Serving Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
Breakfast Served Anytime*

Sunday: 7am - 3pm
Monday & Tuesday: 6:30am - 3pm
Wednesday - Saturday: 6:30am - 9pm


972-675-1040

3112 N. Jupiter Rd., Suite 307 (at Beltline Rd.) Garland, TX 75044

NEW SCHOOL ORGANIC FERTILIZER, INC
WWW.NEWSCHOOLORGANICFERTILIZER.COM

SAFE, SLOW RELEASE, OMRI CERTIFIED ORGANIC FERTILIZER WITH
NATURAL TRACE MINERALS AND BENEFICIAL MICRO-ORGANISMS
FROM MIGHTYGROW ORGANICS IN PELLETS, CRUMBLES, & POWDER

DAVE MORGAN
PHONE: 972-824-7499
FAX: 855-711-6763
EMAIL: DAVE@NSOF321.COM



* NON-BURNING; NON-EXPLOSIVE;
NON-POLLUTING; AND NON WATER
SOLUBLE

* TWO APPLICATIONS PER SEASON

* INTRODUCTORY PRICING (\$15 PER
40 POUND BAG + SALES TAX) &
FREE LOCAL DELIVERY

Salvage Pub & Grill Restaurant Review by Keith Engler

Salvage Pub & Grill located in the heart of the Historic District in Downtown Garland Texas, on the 601 W. State St. On the site of the former Corner Pocket, Salvage's interior elements creatively intertwine a modern bar with fixtures and materials left behind from days gone by. The new owners were having a birthday party so my wife and I had the pleasure of meeting some members of the Harris family. They were all excited about the prospects of downtown Garland almost as much as we where to have them here.

My wife and I were just touring the downtown Christmas lights when we noticed the open sign. Curiosity led us to immediately park the car and go on in. It is a nice layout with a beautifully designed bar and a nice selection of draft beers. Their pub type menu looked good and very affordable, but we just ate so Karen ordered a Cabernet Sauvignon and I order a Samuel Adams Summer Ale. We feel that Salvage made a good choice to enter into downtown Garland. There is a real need for them with the new apartments and it will be a good place for the evening crowds after the Granville Arts events let out.

We feel this just the beginning for other pubs to follow Salvage as the vitality of downtown Garland progresses. It is imperative that Garland also change some of their strict rules and allow restaurants to have outdoor patios. Texas has great weather and patios certainly are a great place to enhance community. Currently, I know of only two patios in Garland where you can have a drink outside; Gloria's and Fish City Grill.

Daytimers by Diane Winter

The Daytimers met at the home of Ann Conrath to celebrate the Christmas holiday season with food and Christmas songs. Ann had prepared the perfect surroundings with Christmas decorations and Sharon Carlton presented the legend of the poinsettia.

There was a gift exchange of favorite decorations but the greatest gift of the gathering was the laughter of the 30 women in attendance as they exchanged the gifts. A new member enrolled and 2 new guests attended.

Begin the New Year of 2014 by attending the Daytimers meeting on Tuesday, January 14th, at 10am at the home of Linda Tucker – 2802 Winding Oak and get in shape with exercises led by Oakridge resident, Christina Davis. See you there.

Daytimers is a social organization that requires residence in Oakridge and \$15.00 annual dues. Daytimers promote the Oakridge community and the Oakridge Neighborhood Association. Any questions should be directed to president, Chris Beyers – 972 530 8292.

Code Violation Refresher by Dale Rouze

Listed within this website are **some of the common code violations found to exist in Garland neighborhoods:**
<http://www.garlandtx.gov/gov/cd/code/violations.asp>

High Grass and/or Weeds are limited to 12 inches in height to include front, back, side yards and right-of-ways (area between the sidewalk and curb). Grass in any alley and/or easement (area behind the property) must be maintained to the mid-point.

Encroachment (obstruction) is defined as any object, structure, or vegetation that fails to allow the lawful passage of vehicular and pedestrian traffic on any street, alley, easement, or sidewalk. These must be eliminated and/or maintained at all times. This includes trimming to the curb and all tree limbs and shrubs over the street to a minimum of 14 feet high from the ground. Those over sidewalks must be trimmed to the edge and 8 feet high from the sidewalk. Alley limbs and shrubs must be trimmed one foot from the fence and also up to 14 feet from the ground. Items not made for outdoor use should not be stored outdoors. Further clarification is on the website under "Improper Storage".

It is **unlawful to allow a fence** to lean more than 10 degrees, have missing, loose, or have broken slats or panels. Only signs, symbols, writings, or other graffiti pertaining to the address or occupancy of the property are permitted. Electric fences, barbed wire, hog wire, chicken wire, used materials, corrugated metal or fiberglass, sheet metal are prohibited.

A permit is required to build a **pool fence** and can be obtained from Building Inspection at 800 Main Street or by contacting Building Inspection at 972-205-2300. See website for more details.

Illegal Signs – see website.

Garage Sales require prior permit from Code Compliance at 972-485-6400 and are limited to three consecutive days and three times per calendar year. Signs are restricted to seller's property, three on private property with owner's permission and are never allowed on public property such as medians, parkways, poles, or right of ways. Signs must have seller's address, sale dates, and permit number and removed by 9pm of the last day of sale.

Home Business: An occupation customarily carried on in the home by a member of the occupant's family **without** the employment of additional persons, **without** the use of a sign to advertise the occupation, **without** offering a commodity for sale on the premises, **without** the use of materials and equipment not usually found in a home and does not create obnoxious conditions to abutting or neighboring property such as noise, odor, increased traffic, light, or smoke.

- A) This includes parking, stopping to load or unload anything, and stopping to pick up or drop off passengers. Not more than one vehicle shall be parked at the premises at any one time.
- B) There is no outside storage of anything connected with the business, except one vehicle used in connection with the business. Such vehicle may be no larger than a passenger van or pickup truck.
- C) The business is conducted indoors.
- D) The business is operated by a person residing in the home.




Lunch and Dinner • Live Music
10% Off • 10 TV's
 Any Food Order • Shuffleboard

972-231-9365

Food, Friends, Fun
 2121 Buckingham Rd. @ Jupiter • Richardson

Sir Fixalot LLC

Keith Engler
Handyman Services
 Electrical, Lighting,
 Painting, Computers
 See website or call
 972-414-3272
www.SirFixalotLLC.com
 Oakridge Resident
 Retired Engineer
Fixing broken relationships between you and your home



MR. FIX-IT-ALL
 WE FIX ^{ALMOST} ANYTHING
 Home Repairs and Remodeling
www.Mr.FixItAllTexas.com
 972-272-3700 FREE ESTIMATES

TLC Finishes
 Painting, Staining, Drywall,
 Texturing, Quality
Marvin Larson
 972-535-9220
 Since 1990
www.TLCFinishes.com



Oakridge Paint & Paper

Painting: Interior, Exterior
 Wallpaper: Hanging & Removal
 Carpentry • Molding • Crown
 Drywall • Repair • Texture

Philip Hanas Cell: 214-724-1912
 Free Estimates Email: coachphil57@aol.com



Important Dates:

Membership Meetings

February 27, 2014
May 22, 2014

Join the
ONA Today!



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

PRSR STD
ECRWSS
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
EDDM RETAIL

Meeting Time & Location:

6:30pm social, 7pm meeting
Achievement Center of Texas
2950 N. Shiloh Rd.
Garland, Texas 75044

Local Postal Customer



We have had requests from several people regarding a cart inclusive Senior Golf Membership at Duck Creek.

Since we have just gotten underway recently and 2014 will be our first full year of operations, we have decided to create a special membership offering for the coming year.

Give James a call at the golf shop or stop by to sign up. It won't stay cold forever and we are alerting residents of the Oakridge community first regarding this opportunity.

Contact Duck Creek Golf for more details:
www.duckcreekgc.com 214-440-2229

Senior Golf Membership ...\$600 / Year
Senior + Spouse ...\$900/Year
Including Prepaid Access Fees ...\$1,800 / \$2,700
Unlimited Golf, Cart & Range - Non-Holiday Weekdays or after 1:00 pm on Weekends
\$10 Access Fee Required on the Day of Play

2014 Annual Memberships

Golf Membership....\$75 / Month
Family Golf Membership...\$125 / Month
Single Payment Option...\$825 / \$1,400
Unlimited Golf, Cart & Range Balls 7 Days a Week - Access Fee Required on Day of Play
\$15 Weekdays (Non Holiday) or Weekends 1 – 4 pm,
\$10 Daily After 4 pm
\$25 Weekends & Holidays Before 1 pm

Player Development Membership...\$29 / Month
Family Player Development Membership...\$59 / Month
Single Payment Option....\$319 / \$649
Unlimited Golf, Cart & Range Balls

All In One CONSTRUCTION
www.allinoneconstruction.com
Joe Wrinkle

kitchens
bathrooms
additions
windows
siding

Established 1984!

214-542-1302 • joe@allinoneconstruction.com

N The Green Construction
Irrigation Specialist
Sprinklers, Boring
Running Wires

Lyle Bradley
214-995-1138
www.nTheGreenConstruction.com

EXCEL AIR & HEAT
LET ME BE YOUR AC MAN

DENNIS BUTNER
SALES & SERVICE

SERVICE ALL MAKES & MODELS
FREE ESTIMATES
CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED
972-841-5103
TACL36068E
excelairheat@ymail.com

EST-1977
ExtraSpace Storage

Extra Space Storage
2809 Belt Line Road
Garland, TX 75044
972-530-7039

✓ Competitive Rates ✓ Extended Access Hours
✓ Satisfaction Guaranteed ✓ 100% Drive-up Units

www.ExtraSpace.com