

# Oakridge News

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## Neighborhood Update with ONA President Dwight Davis

by Dwight Davis  
ONA President



I trust you had a very, Merry Christmas with your family and friends. This year is slipping away fast and will soon be ending. I am wishing you a Happy New Year at this time.

Thanks to our ONA directors, for wrapping many of the light poles, stop signs and the bridge on Diamond Oaks near the golf course with bows, wreaths, and festive green garland for the holidays. It certainly makes the Oakridge community more festive and bright.

Thanks also to the Directors and ONA members who supplied food

for our remen and for even some in our community who also provided food our Police Department during the holidays.

Be very mindful and courteous to all our Oakridge neighborhood members. For safety sake, please keep your sidewalks swept on a regular basis. We wouldn't want

anyone to slip and fall when they are on walks down our sidewalks.

Also, watch the parking of your cars and friends cars. Be sure to allow safe passage for cars, especially on narrow streets and corners. Fire safety and emergency vehicles are larger vehicles and need access to our Oakridge homes in case of re or a medical emergency. Consider their ability to have access when you are parking.

The tough fought presidential election is now over and a new president will be inaugurated on January 20, 2017. Let us come together as one United States of America and see what good things may happen in our country in the next few years. Believe for the best. Our God is still in charge of all things. So, I encourage each of you to hope for the best and keep the best loving attitude and actions going forward.



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Thank You to the Oakridge Neighborhood Association for another Great Year!





ONA District 7 Director David Parrish (center) and his son Jared, and delivered Christmas dinners to Fire Stations #3 and #11 on Christmas Day.

The firefighters were truly appreciative for the ONA members who took time from their family and festivities to think of them.



If you have a community event you would like your Oakridge neighbors to know about or would like to be featured in the Meet Your ONA Neighbors section, please contact the ONA Communications Director Dylan Hedrick at [dylan.hedrick@gmail.com](mailto:dylan.hedrick@gmail.com).



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# Daytimers are Grateful for the Season

by Dianne Winter  
ONA Daytimers

All of the things you can picture that are embodied in the spirit of Christmas are the same things that are embraced by Daytimers. Fellowship, food, gifts, songs, merriment, decorations, joy, peace and love were all celebrated at the December meeting of the Daytimers at the home of Lila La Grasse on Tuesday, December 13th. More than 40 women gathered at this beautifully decorated home.

The hostesses had covered the table with food and after a prayer by president, Gloria Turner, everyone enjoyed the various dishes that were provided. The theme was Christmas memories and many members discussed events that included clothing they wore, relatives they remembered, decorations that are no longer the same, pranks that were played and a favorite Christmas movie.

A beautifully written and illustrated book *Three Trees* was read by Ann Conrath and the ever popular sing-along ended with a jovial—if somewhat scrambled and adlibbed—rendition of *Twelve Days of Christmas*. Ann Williams and Suzanne Snow led this time of musical fun.

Thanks to program directors Susan Conner and Glenda Watkins for the work they do to organize such meaningful programs.

At this meeting Susan had prepared a sheet of ideas entitled *Everyday is Christmas* and gave one to each member to help them share the joy of the holiday.

Another unique thing about Daytimers and Oakridge is that there are two sets of sisters in the membership who live in Oakridge in addition to an aunt with her niece. A new member, Georgia Peraza, joined the group this month to add to the growing list of participation. Joan Mc Dole was able to stop by and several members who hadn't been available to attend earlier in the year were present. You knew everyone had enjoyed the meeting because they lingered to visit after the announcements such as door prizes and birthdays were complete. Other interest groups of Daytimers celebrated Christmas with luncheons and gatherings. The book club members exchanged books and game groups all met with special events to recognize the holidays.

If you would like to be a part of Daytimers just come to the next meeting at the home of Ann Conrath, 2131 Windy River, on Tuesday, January 10th, at 10 am. Come meet them and begin a Happy New Year!

Daytimers is a social organization that requires residence in Oakridge and \$20.00 annual dues. Daytimers promote the Oakridge community and the Oakridge Neighborhood Association. Any questions should be directed to president, Gloria Turner, 972-530-0082.

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