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Neighborhood Update with ONA President Dwight Davis

by Dwight Davis **ONA President**

ONA Membership Drive at 190 members

There are 190 homes in Oakridge that have now joined the Oakridge Neighborhood Association (ONA) for our 2017-2018 year that begins on June 1, 2017 and goes back page for more information about the to May 31, 2018. Our membership dues has remained at \$60.00 for nearly a decade, although our neighborhood maintenance service firm just increased our new contract to nearly 10% in monthly charges to the ONA. We are looking for all memadditional 50 to 75 more of you to consid-

nance and beautification of the nine entrances.

"Spring into Summer" **Annual ONA Parking Lot Party**

We are having our Annual "Spring into Summer" Annual ONA parking lot party on Thursday, May 25, 2017 from 5:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. rain or shine on the Duck Creek Golf Course parking lot just off Big Oaks Drive past the

Diamond Oaks intersection. Start looking Room, just following the "Spring into Sum-There will be a lot of fun and fellowship we can so we can get out by 8:15 P.M. and IT IS ALL FREE!!! See the article on the food and activities.

ONA Membership Meeting and 2017-2018 Officer Election

bers from last year to renew again with an General Membership meeting on Thurs- that you can review them. They will be day, May 25th at 7:20 P.M. in the Duck considered and voted on by the entire er supporting the ONA in its ONA mainte- Creek Golf Course Club House Meeting ONA membership at our Annual Member-

for our reminder signs that will go out on mer" parking lot party. Please plan to Friday, May 19th at all neighborhood en- attend. The ONA will be electing the 2017trances. We have opened it up to ALL of 2018 Officers and Directors and also Oakridge residents (prospective mem- voting on the newly revised Bylaws (see bers), whether you are a member or not. details below). We will keep it as short as

Proposed ONA Bylaws Now Available on ONA Website

Our ONA Bylaws has been updated, expanded, reviewed, and approved by the ONA Board. We have placed them on line The ONA will be having the Annual on our ONA web site (oakridgena.org) so

> ship Meeting on Thursday, May 25th at 7:20 P.M. in the Duck Creek Golf Course Club House Meeting Room, just following the "Spring into Summer" parking lot party. Don't miss it.



ONA MEMBERSHIP MEETING - 7:20 P.M.





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Daytimers Say See You in September

by Dianne Winter Oakridge Daytimers

Forty Daytimers gathered at Into My Garden Tea Room to celebrate another year of fun, food and the fellowship of neighborhood. A special guest and founder, Roberta Jones, was welcomed.

Gloria Turner opened the meeting with a prayer and Gloria Watkins introduced harpist Carol Tatum, who played soothing, beautiful music as the members mingled.

In addition to the delicious food that was served, the well known speaker, Rose-Mary Rumbley, entertained with a light-hearted litany of stories that highlighted Dallas history, motherhood and aging. The memorable line that will be repeated many times from her visit was "Rise, Stabilize and Mobilize."

The president solicited workers for the upcoming ONA event and Chris Beyers organized the "Cookie Brigade" to add to the food supplies for the Summer Party on Thursday, May 25th.

The meeting highlighted a year of gatherings of caring women of the community, led by strong women who contribute to the progress of the group. Many of these women will continue to serve next year with few changes. The incoming president will be Shirley Heald and Jan Perry Loyd will co-lead with Susan Conner preparing the programs for the coming

The officer volunteers will use this this summer to plan for another special year. Watch for the announcement in the newsletter for the location of the September meeting on Tuesday, September 12th, that will begin another year to look forward to. You won't want to miss it.

Daytimers is a social organization that requires residence in Oakridge and \$20.00 annual dues. Daytimers promotes the Oakridge community and the Oakridge Neighborhood Association. Any questions should be directed to Shirley Heald - 972 414 0817.



An Environment Oakridge Can Love

By David Parish
ONA Environmental Director

"God Almighty first planted a garden. And indeed, it is the purest of human pleasures."

-Francis Bacon

Your Environment Committee is indeed working to beautify the nine entrances of our neighborhood. The plan is straight forward. First, we are completing a few necessary repairs to our five perimeter sprinkler systems. Next, we will add some seasonal color plants before the weather gets too hot to all nine entrances. Then over the summer we will develop a plan to begin introducing more drought tolerant flora during the fall planting season. And all through the process we look to you, our neighbors, for your support and guidance.

If you see a broken sprinkler or another issue with the gardens, please let us know. If you wish to join the Environment Committee, great, the more the merrier. Either way we can be reached at ONAenvironment@gmail.com.



To help your own lawn and save water, program your irrigation system to split runtimes into several shorter cycles can save a substantial amount of water. This method allows more time for water to soak into the soil than if you water all at once.

Cycle and soak watering is especially beneficial on compacted or clay soils or landscapes with steep slopes where infiltration is slow. Modern irrigation controllers can be easily programmed for cyclic watering, and some are already equipped to perform this special function.

For manual irrigation, move sprinklers around instead of completely watering one area at a time. Learn more at: http://dallas.tamu.edu/media/75308/cycle_and_soak_irrigation method.pdf



ONA Crime Watch

Debra Pandak—ONA Safety Director

Emergency: Please Call 911
Non-Emergencies: 972-485-4840 Garland Police

To help keep the neighborhood safe, report any concerns you think the neighborhood should be aware of to ONAcrimewatch@gmail.com.

If you would like to receive the monthly Siren Report that provides a summary of all events in and around Oakridge, please email the address above and say that you wish to be added to the Siren Report distribution list.









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Oakridge Neighborhood Block Party–May 25

by Dylan Hedrick
Oakridge Communications Director

The preparations are complete and the decorations are ready. Now all we need is you to make our "Spring into Summer" ONA Neighborhood Block Party a success.

The fun starts at 5:00 p.m. in the parking lot of the Duck Creek Golf Club. A general meeting of the Oakridge Neighborhood Association will follow the party in the golf clubhouse.

As in the past, we will be serving hot dogs and burgers (with all the fixings) along with chips and beverages. The Oakridge Daytimers will provide homemade cookies for dessert. Once again this year, we'll have popcorn and cotton candy machines, a ring toss game and a bounce house for the kids.

Local politicians scheduled to appear include Representative Angie Chen Button (or one of her staff) and newly elected Garland District 7 Councilman Scott LeMay.

A Fire Team from either Station 3 or 11 will bring along some of their equipment and our neighborhood Officer Tommy Barnes will represent the Garland Police Department.



The students of Progress 1 Taekwondo will be giving a demonstration of their martial arts skills and representative of the Duck Creek Golf Course will be there to answer all of your golfing questions.



We can't wait to see you out there with all of the other great residents of Oakridge.

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