

Oakridge News

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Neighborhood Update with ONA President Dwight Davis

by Dwight Davis
ONA President

ONA now has approximately 330 members

There are 370 Oakridge homeowners that have now joined the Oakridge Neighborhood Association (ONA) for our 2017-2018 year that begins on June 1, 2017 and goes to May 31, 2018.

Thank you for all you that have joined the ONA this year. It is through your participation that we can continued with our scheduled perimeter maintenance and the nine entrances with beautification. We started our membership drive at the second week in April and we are nearly completed with our membership drive that concludes at the end of August 2017.

We will be taking the membership drive signs down in the next week or so. However, we will still accept your memberships, if you want to join with us and help 370 of us (or about 32% of Oakridge), as we support the Oakridge community requirements.

ONA Beautification and Flowers of Color

Qualicare, our maintenance vendor, has installed Lantanas, at the largest of our entrances. We are working with them now to install the annual fall planting with individual flowers of color. It will one

more month before timing will be right for the planting of these at all nine of our entrances.

The flowers should carry us through the winter with flowers of color that will be "frost resistant" and will carry Oakridge entrances through to the 2018 spring planting that will be heat resistant to carry us through the summer of 2018.

Planting timing and considerable maintenance repairs on our watering system with replacement heads and winterization protection updates have consumed much time before the planting could begin.

ONA September Membership Meeting at our New Meeting Location

Plan now to attend the next ONA General Membership meeting on Thursday, September 28th at the Duck Creek Golf Course Club House Meeting Room.

The membership voted unanimously to have all our future meetings at the Duck Creek Golf Course Club House meeting room. It is centrally located within Oakridge, and there is plenty of parking. We hope more of you will attend this meeting because of the convenience of the location and plenty of adequate parking.

Also plan to come at 6:30 P.M. for the social time before our meeting. Bring some names and contact information on

people and companies that you have used for various services that you could recommend to other ONA members, for things like: roofing repairs, painting, home construction and repairs, plumbing, electrical, and yard and landscape maintenance, and sprinkler repairs. We would like to get a list of these, and share these with each other.

Two Directors still needed for ONA Board Team

Our ONA Board is still short two Directors for our team. We need someone to fill the Director 3 spot for streets on the Southwest side of Oakridge and District 5 for the North side of Oakridge around the Laurel Oaks area.

While several of our other directors are temporarily covering these districts, we really need additional volunteers to share with our ONA Board Team and assist us. These volunteer positions puts out membership flags once a year during our membership campaign and pass out a few membership applications/envelopes on doors of prospective members. They pass out welcome bags to new members in their district. They also attend 9 - 10 monthly board meetings each year.

We need these volunteers to be a part of our ONA Board to help all of us make better decisions for the ONA.

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Daytimers Meeting Set for September 12

by Dianne Winter
ONA Daytimers

The weather may not tell you but the calendar will. It is time to gather for a new year of Daytimers meetings. Neighbors will be there to visit and share about the past summer activities and the upcoming events.

The group was so happy to have several new members that joined last year, so add your name to the list for the 2017 - 2018 year.

Arrive at the home of Betty Prickett, 2013 Diamond Oaks, on the second Tuesday, September 12th, at 10 am to be greeted by other women who are

neighborhood residents. President, Shirley Heald, will lead the meeting and the food, fellowship and fun will begin!

Members express concerns and have interest groups and programs to entertain and inform you. Bring your \$20 dues or visit and pay later. Invite a neighbor. There is lots of chatter...come join in!

Daytimers is a social organization for women 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.

We've Got New Neighbors!

by Cheryl Jones
ONA Membership Director

On behalf of the ONA, please join me in a hearty welcome to the Ayele, Tekabo, Messeye, Hung, Nguyen, Kelbe and Cuellar families to Oakridge! Our goal is to make Oakridge a great place to call home. The Oakridge community is

sectioned by street and divided up into seven Districts; each with an assigned District Director.

To find out who your District Director is, please go to the ONA website oakridgena.org. We invite you to join the ONA!

If you have any membership questions, contact us at ONAmembership@gmail.com. Welcome again and we hope to see you around.



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Debra Pandak—ONA Safety Director

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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.

A key note from this month's report is that 2017 is trending to be on average a lower incident year for Oakridge. District 14 is reporting fewer incidents than 2016 which is great news for the safety of our community.



Keep up the watchful eye, frequent our streets by riding your bikes, walking etc. These activities let potential no-gooders know we are an active neighborhood looking out for one another.



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Neighborhood Update

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We need these volunteers to be a part of our ONA Board to help all of us make better decisions for the ONA. This last thing will be the majority of where your time will be spent going forward to the end of the 2017-2018 year at the end of next May. Also we have need for a Marketing Director, Social Director, and several other volunteer positions.

For these openings, contact: Dwight Davis, President at 972-675-9195 or dwight@dwarddavis.org. I am also really looking for someone who really wants to be an officer and leader in the ONA.

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August Rains a Welcome Relief to Summer Heat

by Dylan Hedrick
ONA Communications Director



After receiving some much needed rain last week, our lawns in Oakridge are looking much greener. Although the humidity was high, we received some much needed relief from the high temperatures for a few days.

The water over the Duck Creek dam (right) just north of the Diamond Oaks Drive bridge was flowing full the morning of August 14th.



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.

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