

Oakridge News

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Neighborhood Update with ONA President Dwight Davis

by Dwight Davis
ONA President

ONA President Dwight Davis has Resigned Effective November 18, 2017

After meeting with my pastor in October, I have taken on a full time pastoral assignment at my church that requires me to spend approximately 40 hours a week. Some requirements will be days, nights, and weekends in pastoral services to families and visitors with evening visits and phone calls, and hospital visitation at all hours. I reviewed my requirements and came to the conclusion that I needed to immediately resign as President of the ONA Board, effective November 18, 2017.

I provided my letter of resignation to the entire ONA Board on October 18, 2017 to give them 30 days notice. In accordance with the By-Laws, the ONA board has an additional 30 days until December 18, 2017 to nominate and ratify a new ONA President by a two-third majority vote.

I certainly have enjoyed being your President for the last 2+ years. I trust that the ONA Board Team has achieved some significant successes in improving the ONA

and making Oakridge a more beautiful and pleasant neighborhood in which to live.

I know the Board team will be able to



select a replacement President, who will likewise be able to faithfully serve the ONA. I am still serving as the District 2 and District 3 Director, primarily until we have located permanent replacements with people other than those now serving on the ONA Board.

Volunteers still needed to serve the ONA

We need a President along with District 2 and District 3 Directors to better serve the ONA membership and prospective members. In several weeks, Nancy

Whitson, our District 1 Director, will have her house sold and will move out of Oakridge. We will also need a replacement District 1 Director. We will certainly miss her for all the years of service she has performed on the ONA Board.

Please earnestly consider these opportunities where you might serve on the ONA Board with your volunteer support in any of these open positions, or just come in as an Assistant Director in various positions within the ONA organization as needed.

Be sure and contact me to discuss these at 972-675-9195 or dwight@dwightdavis.org. I will get you in touch with my replacement whenever that should take place. You should be notified in the next ONA newsletter, after the replacement President has been chosen and ratified by the board. The new President should plan to serve through the end of the annual term ending May 31, 2018.



Brick Wall Repair Responsibility Falls to the Property Owner

by David Parrish
ONA Environmental Director
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Property owners along the perimeter of the Oakridge Neighborhood are responsible for the repair or replacement of damaged brick walls on their property. If damage is due to an automobile accident then property owners must work with the driver on insurance payments to repair the wall. ONA strongly encourages owners to match the original brick (or to clean and reuse brick from the damaged wall).



The original brick styles on Oakridge exterior walls are:

- Jupiter, Beltline, and Shiloh north of Big Oaks Drive — Acme Brick “Blend 10”
- Shiloh south of Big Oaks and Buckingham — mostly U.S. Brick “Old Town”
- Exceptions- some repaired areas

Gartex Masonry Supply, 10310 Plano Road, Dallas (phone 214/343-0571) stocks small quantities of these bricks. Owners are responsible for locating a masonry contractor to repair or replace damaged walls.

Some recent improvements to the Oakridge landscaping include the removal of seven dead trees in the perimeter, 14 dead shrubs at Laurel Oaks and Beltline, and numerous diseased rose bushes at several entrances.

New shrubs have been planted at the Laurel Oaks entrance and fall/winter color has been added throughout the neighborhood. Bushes have been trimmed for improved visibility at the Winding Oaks entrance.

Be proactive, join the Environment Committee. Contact David Parrish at 972-530-3351 or ONAenvironment@gmail.com with any Oakridge environmental concerns.

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Tips to Help Find Your Lost Pet

Dylan Hedrick
ONA Communications Director

We have all seen the heartbreaking posters around the neighborhood and posts on Nextdoor from pet owners desperately pleading if anyone has seen their lost pet. While these traditional and social media methods to find our lost furry friends are worthy efforts, the Garland Animal Services department (garlandanimalservices.org) has a list of additional helpful steps to follow to help increase the likelihood that a pet will be reunited to its owner.

The Department recommends:

1. First, go to petharbor.com
2. Next, enter your zip code and select "Lost my Pet."
3. Select the animal type (Cat, Dog, Other Animals).
4. Check the box for Garland Animal Services and click on the "Search Selected Shelters" button.
4. You may enter additional attributes to help narrow your search and click the "Search Now" button to pull up pictures of the animals that have been found.

The Petharbor.com website has a similar method for posting that a lost pet has been found. A picture of the found animal may also be posted to the website to help an owner identify his or her pet.

Please remember that current city registration tags are required by city ordinance on all cats and dogs ages three months and older. Garland Animal Services has a holding period of six days for tagged animals and three days for untagged animal. All animals are also scanned for micro chips as they enter the shelter.

Also, I urge you to contact the Abe J. Tuggle Animal Shelter and Adoption Center staff at 972-205-3570, press 4 for more information. You are encouraged to leave a voicemail if staff does not immediately answer or e-mail the staff at animalservices@garlandtx.gov.

In addition, the Garland Animal Services Department is also responsible for responding to more dangerous animals such as coyotes which may carry rabies. Coyotes are a particular issue due to their habitat ranging along creeks and wooded areas such as Duck Creek which runs directly through our subdivision.

Citizens wishing to report a problem coyote should contact Garland Animal Services at 972-205-3570, press 1. An Animal Services Officer will respond and determine what measures are necessary to remove the problem animal. Coyotes exhibiting unusual behavior such as aggressiveness towards humans should be reported immediately by calling 911.

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Sunday School 9:15 A.M.

Morning Worship 10:30 A.M.

Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday Service 7:00 P.M.

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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, which provides a summary of all events in and around Oakridge, please email the address above and ask to be added to the Siren Report distribution list.



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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