



First Quarter Newsletter

January, February, March

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P.O. Box 472685
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OHNA Annual Meeting 2015

Who Moved My Cheese?

The Classic business study referenced in our title refers to the challenge and rewards of accepting change. Whether you are talking about the location of a food item, the workings of the business world, or the dynamics of our neighborhood, change is inevitable. At our OHNA Annual Meeting, we will have the chance to hear about possible positive changes in South Garland and our neighborhood. Mayor Douglas Athas and Councilman Billy Mack Williams will speak on changes that are here or could be coming to our section of the city. Some of the vacant "big box" buildings are gone or going. The old Mervyn's is now a new LA Fitness. The Centerville Target building has been demolished and a new Winco Supermarket will soon take its place. More projects are in the works for the "Centerville Marketplace" zone. There even might be news on the Orchard Hills Shopping Center. You will want to hear what our city leaders have to say on these changes.

Important local elections will be coming up in May. We aren't able to say what local political races will be contested, as filling has not yet been completed. Our Mayor is running for re-election, but there may not be a challenger(s). Mr. Williams is mid-term and will not run again until next year. There are two school trustees whose terms are up: Mr. Rick Lambert and Mr. Steve Knagg. We will know next month if those positions are contested. All candidates will be invited to the Annual Meeting whether their election is contested or not.

Speaking of elections....the officers and Board of Directors of OHNA will be elected at this year's Annual Meeting (as stated in our bylaws). If you are interested in serving, we welcome self-nominations. The officers are Chair (or co-chairs), Secretary, and Treasurer, and three At-Large positions.

Please don't forget: **Thursday...April 9th, 6:30-9:00pm**, Saturn Road Church of Christ at the Corner of Saturn and Kingsley.



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Tuesday

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Calendar

February

12,26 *Recycle*
9 Board Meeting
28 Work Day

March

12, 26 *Recycle*
9 Board Meeting

April

9, 23 *Recycle*
9 Annual Meeting
13 Board Meeting
25 Plant Sale

May

7,21 *Recycle*
11 Board Meeting
23 Work Day

June

4, 18 *Recycle*
8 Board Meeting
13 Annual Picnic

July

2, 16, 30 *Recycle*
13 Board Meeting
18 Workday

“There are Parties for Hosting...”

Our December party was hosted by Mike and Joylene Penfold, assisted by Gizmo, just a short distance down Glenbrook from last year's Gathering at the Andersons'. The party had an excellent response with some 50+ neighbors attending. We were happy to have Mayor Athas and our Councilman Billy Mack Williams in attendance. As usual, the food was excellent and the conversation was lively. Many folks made new friendships or renewed old ones. OHNA wishes to thank the Penfolds, who went out of their way to make everyone feel comfortable and welcomed. Their home provided the perfect venue for our celebration. The OHNA holiday celebration continues to provide a high point for our neighborhood. We hope to see all of you next year for our party on December 4th.



Neighborhood Work Day

8am – 12 noon

Saturday Feb. 28

We need your manpower! Come out and help beautify and clean up our landscape beds for spring bloom. Bring your gloves, pruners, shovels and rakes. We will be pruning out last year's growth, trimming up the roses and rosemary, raking out leaves and transplanting to fill in where any plants have died. Meet at the south entrance to Rick Oden Park on Briarwood.

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Mr. Johnson

The Johnson family lived at 2836 Glenbrook Drive since the mid 1960s. Mr. Bill “BG” Johnson and his wife raised their family there. Mrs. Johnson died several years ago. Their grandson Doug Haefner was living with his grandfather.

On November 19, Mr. Johnson who is 86 was home alone when he heard a “whoosh” noise and discovered a fire had started in the house. He did try to put out the fire but was forced to leave the house. Thankfully, he had only minor injuries and some smoke inhalation. One theory is the fire was caused by a gas leak.

The house was a total loss. Mr. Johnson was much concerned about an urn which held his wife's ashes. He and Mrs. Johnson wanted their ashes scattered together. When he was able to get in the house, he found the urn. He was also glad to find the family pictures in a dresser drawer.

Mr. Johnson went to his daughter's house. They were able to secure the house behind her for him to live in. His daughter is pleased to have him nearby.

Before Christmas neighbors donated more than \$100 to show they care. Patrick Mayes, his neighbor across the street, delivered the cards and money to him.

Thanks to **Saturn Road Church of Christ** for hosting our monthly and annual meetings!

3030 Saturn Road
Garland, Texas 75041

Services:

Sunday Morning	8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening	6:00 PM
Hispanic Assembly	10:30 AM & 6:00 PM

<http://www.saturnroad.org>



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Greetings,

I hope all is well for all OHNA members. I pray all members and citizens of District 5 survived the holidays in good health.

I am not proud of the progress of the streets that are being replaced. There were circumstances beyond control in some for the construction delays.

I attended the January 2015 meeting along with Mayer Athas. We discussed the updates of Orchard Hills Shopping Center and Hypermart. We have some great possibilities happening in those two areas.



The city budget is complete and we as a council are very busy and working very conservatively to put the budge in motion.

I know OHNA is preparing for a wonderful year and I plan to be a part.

Thanks!

Billy Mack Williams
Councilman District 5



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District 5 Councilman
Billy Mack Williams (pic above)
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OHNA Plant & Garden Sale

Saturday April 25 9am – 2pm

OLD ORCHARD ISLAND

900 BLOCK of Old Orchard Rd.

All you gardeners out there, while you are in the garden these beautiful days in Feb, March and April prepare plants for OHNA's Plant & Garden Sale Saturday April 26. Pot up perennials you wish to divide; start seeds in 4" pots; divide irises and lilies and pot starts of plants that come up from seed. The funds from the sale help OHNA with landscape maintenance. Contact Christi christi@ohna.us or 972-822-4262 if you are interested in donating plants or helping out in any way; we would be glad to have you.



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MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Phone: _____ eMail: _____

The Orchard Hills Neighborhood Association newsletter and reminders of our meetings and events will be sent to you by email if you have a current e-mail address, otherwise we will deliver newsletters and notices to your door.

The annual fee is \$15 per household, renewed annually at the annual meeting in April.

Send completed form along with a check made payable to:

Orchard Hills Neighborhood Association (OHNA) to

P.O. Box 472685 Garland, TX 75047-2685

Membership in the Orchard Hills Neighborhood Association is an unbelievable \$15 a year. With this fee you contribute towards making this neighborhood a better place to live. Elected representatives work on ideas and agendas that will make Orchard Hills safer and prettier. Neighborhood associations are a strong voice that gets heard by city government. We communicate through newsletters, monthly meetings and an active website. One of the most attractive things about a good neighborhood is getting to know each other. OHNA stimulates "knowing your neighbor" through a variety of social events during the year.

These are only a few of the benefits to a neighborhood association. Even though the fee is minimal, it can be mountainous as we put the funds to work. The majority of funds pay for the newsletters and flyers that are distributed to your doorstep throughout the year; funds are spent to put on events like the Annual Meeting, Plant Sale, Annual Picnic, Neighborhood Garage Sale, and Christmas Party. Additional money is spent for administrative costs and matching funds for grant funded improvements on such as sidewalks and landscaping.

The list can go on and on, but as you read, your dues are very important, valuable and necessary...so keep them coming...and Thank You for your support. We would not have an Orchard Hills Neighborhood Association without YOU!! If you are not a member sign up today! There is no better way to spend \$15



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