



First Quarter Newsletter

January, February, March
2016

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Garland, TX 75047

THE MOST IMPORTANT LOCAL MEETING THIS SPRING!

OHNA's annual meeting will be held this April 14th at Saturn Road Church of Christ. Why is it so important?

- ☐ Meet the neighbors whose "roots" go deep in Orchard Hills
- ☐ Meet OHNA Officers
- ☐ Meet School Board Candidates
- ☐ Meet City Council Candidates
- ☐ Learn about important issues that affect your neighborhood

Why are these important to you? Orchard Hills has a rich history in its residents. Many started out as returning military from WWII or Korea. Others were starting families after college on the GI Bill. We included skilled workers or managers from the many manufacturers or other businesses which came to Garland in the boom of the 50's. These folks hold a vast storehouse of knowledge on the beginnings and past of our neighborhood. The neighborhood association and its leaders are important factors in the quality of life in your neighborhood. This not only affects your quality of life, but also affects the value of your property. Local government has the most direct impact on you of any level of government and you can influence it more than any other level of government. You say "I don't have kids in the schools. How can they affect me?" The quality of your local schools is one of the greatest factors in the value of your home or business. Good schools produce a quality workforce for business. Effective schools reduce crime. (It costs 3 times as much to send someone to prison for four years than it does to send them to college.) Your city council decides the funding for roads (potholes), police and fire protection, water and sewer service, garbage collection, and, for many of us, electric service. All of these folks are elected in a non-partisan election held in May. There are no long lines and no party lines. These folks will (usually) actually listen to you and vote accordingly. You can drop them an email, corner them in the grocery store, or even attend their meetings. If you think your vote doesn't count, think of this. Last year a local election in Garland was decided by 12 votes. Our roots go deep. At our Annual Meeting, you can meet with long-time residents, leaders of the Association, and local candidates and office holders. For all these reasons and more....come on out on April 14th at 6:30 pm for our Annual Meeting!

OHNA Annual Meeting
April 14, 2016 6:30 pm.
Saturn Road Church of Christ
Kingsley at Saturn



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Calendar

February

11,25 *Recycle*
 8 Board Meeting
 27 Work Day

March

10, 24 *Recycle*
 7 Board Meeting

April

7, 21 *Recycle*
 14 Annual Meeting
 11 Board Meeting
 30 Plant Sale

New Neighborhood Officer

Effective Feb. 28th, you will have a new NPO – Officer Brandi Dial for your area (District 42). I have been assigned to the Criminal Investigations Unit as a Detective effective the same date.

I have enjoyed serving the community the past six years as a Neighborhood Police Officer and hope I have made a positive impact.

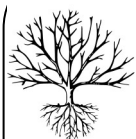
Please contact Officer Dial for any further assistance and feel free to contact me with any questions.

Officer Dial contact information:

Phone: 972-485-4896

Email: dialb@garlandtx.gov

Thanks again,
 Detective J. Summers



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<http://www.ohna.us>
 City of Garland
<http://www.GarlandTX.gov>
 City Maps:
<http://www.garlandgis.com>

OHNA Garden Work Day

8 am – 12 noon

Saturday February 27

Calling all gardeners and able bodied OHNA residents. We need your help! Bring your spouse, bring the family! We will have jobs for everyone. This is a great opportunity to meet a new neighbor. It's time to spruce up our garden beds and get them ready for Spring. Bring your gloves, pruners, shovels and rakes. We will be trimming the roses, pulling weeds, raking leaves and replacing plants that have died. Meet at the south entrance to Rick Oden Park on Briarwood. This job pays: You will feel proud when your neighborhood garden bed comes alive this spring. Contact Margi Bice: 214-587-5206 or margi@ohna.us

The roots run deep,

The greatest things to come back to this neighborhood are the people I grew up with and the great friends I still have. Most have moved away but will be in my heart till the day I die. Memories of the Hopson's, the Crawford's, the Axe family, the Yates, and meeting what turned out to be my mother-in-law at Warren Elementary School. Though I did not move very far away, in the same zip code, these people will be dear to me from now on and making new friends of the new neighbors has been very fulfilling.

Ronnie Spurlock



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>



OHNA Contacts

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Roger roger@ohna.us

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Jan jan@ohna.us

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Margi margi@ohna.us

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Party at the Penfold's

Mike and Joylene Penfold once again opened their home to OHNA members for our December Holiday Party. Mike went to heroic efforts to repair a sewer line problem at Thanksgiving, which backed up in the master bedroom and soaked the carpet! He had to take up the carpet and dry that area. So we owe them a huge "Thank You"! Mike had asked for more lights this year and OHNA elves (Christi Baughman and Betty Roberts) decorated the drive and front yard. We saw some first time attendees this year.

Everyone enjoyed great food and fellowship! It's always a wonderful time to visit with old friends, and meet new neighbors. The excitement began when one of the hostesses opened a large bottle of soda and it spewed all over the freshly mopped floor! This event always allows everyone to catch up on the year's events and family stories. We will soon begin searching for a family to host next year's holiday extravaganza. So mark your calendars now for Friday, December 2nd.



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(972) 205-2098

Graffiti
(972) 205-3999

Streets
(972) 205-3555

Neighborhood Patrol Officer
Brandi Dial
dialb@garlandtx.gov
(972) 485-4896

District 5 Councilman
Billy Mack Williams (pic above)
bmwilliams@garlandtx.gov
(214) 500-5460

OHNA Plant & Garden Sale

Saturday April 30 9am – 2pm
OLD ORCHARD ISLAND
900 BLOCK of Old Orchard Rd.

To all the 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 30. 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 Baughman, christi@ohna.us or 972-822-4262 if you are interested in donating plants or helping out in any way. We need your help!

Note:

At the Annual meeting, the board will propose an increase in yearly dues to \$20



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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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