

Upcoming Events

March

3/3 Recycling Day

3/17 Recycling Day

3/19 Garden Work Day

3/21 Board Meeting

April

4/14 Recycling Day

4/16 Garden Work Day

4/18 Board Meeting

4/21 Annual Meeting

4/21 Recycling Day

4/28 Recycling Day

May

05/12 Recycling Day

05/16 Board Meeting

05/26 Recycling Day

05/30 Memorial Day Flags

June

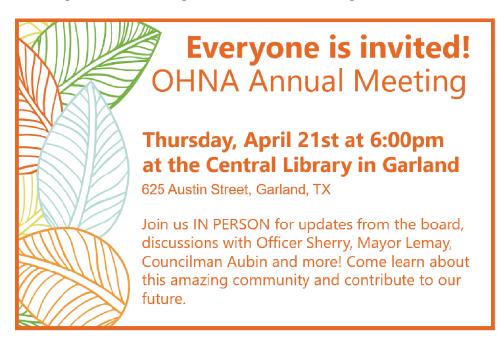
06/09 Recycling Day

06/20 Board Meeting

06/23 Recycling Day

Orchard Hills Neighborhood Quarterly Newsletter

First Quarter 2022 | It's a new year with new opportunities for our neighborhood and community! We hope you will join us at the annual meeting and upcoming garden workdays. We look forward to meeting all our new neighbors and reconnecting with friends.



New Year and New Opportunities



There are opportunities big and small to get engaged in the neighborhood and make a difference.

Please consider serving at any capacity on the OHNA board or on an event committee.

- **Publication Distribution** (help deliver newsletters and flyers to homes in the neighborhood)
- USA Flag Display (help put out flags 3x a year)
- Annual Block Party
- Annual Fall Garage Sale
- Garden Work Days

There are so many places where you can join in, meet some neighbors and bring about the change you want to see in your neighborhood! We promise you will have fun! Contact us at Volunteer@OHNA.us for more information.

Neighborhood Food Drive 2021

Thanks to all of those who drove by Old Orchard Circle on Saturday Dec. 4th and brought pantry items to our volunteers. OHNA was able to present **297 pounds of pantry items** to Good Samaritan's of Garland on December 6th.



Good Samaritan's was thrilled to restock for a season when many will be challenged to have enough to eat.

Thank you again for volunteering, participating, donating and showing compassion for others.

Article contributed by Jan Alexander



Help Us Welcome Neighbors

Do you have new neighbors? Is a new family moving in on your street? We need your help to connect and meet them too!



Go introduce yourself, get their name and address and forward that info to OHNA. We have put together a Welcome Package that we would love to deliver.

The package includes a brochure on Orchard Hills, refrigerator magnet with City of Garland phone numbers, brochures on dining in Garland, the Landmark Museum, Visit Garland, Bankhead Highway, Firewheel (Gaillardia) seeds and a number of other local things.

Please send new neighbor info to welcome@ohna.us so we can make sure that all newcomers to our neighborhood feel welcomed.

Article contributed by Rhonda Spence



Home Improvement Incentive Rebate for 2022

There are 480 properties in Orchard Hills Neighborhood that meet the qualification of being over 30 years old and valued below \$200,000. Are you one of them?

The city is offering a 50% cash rebate (up to \$10,000) on approved exterior remodeling. All applications must be approved prior to any work starting. Minimum investment for this program is \$1,000.

Items covered:

- Re-shingle roof with 30-year shingles
- Replace windows with energy efficient windows
- Replace exterior doors, including garage door
- Replacement of soffit and fascia
- Replace entire driveway with concrete

- Replace or repair fence
- Replace siding
- Add or repair garage
- Install or replace gutters
- Add or repair front porch
- Foundation repair
- Removal of accessory buildings





Yard the Yard of the Season Goes to...2706 Glenbrook

The house at 2706 Glenbrook, built in 1959, is now called a midcentury modern ranch. Craig and Sandy Hokenson moved there twenty-one years ago. The original owners used great detail in the design from the front door with two glass side lights on each side to the four sliding doors on the back. The yard is neat, clean and tidy beginning at the street. The deep front yard starts with yucca plants and boulders set in gravel. The asian jasmine along the driveway is controlled by metal edging. The large trees in the front are enclosed by concrete tiles.









The area is covered in gravel – because grass will not grow under the trees but other plants do. A large red leaf lantana and a small one are bright spots of color with the green hew. Maybe the Japanese Maple survived the freeze. The vibrant orange door, a mid century modern color, and green nandinas along the front of the house complement the architecture. The simple lines of the house are matched by the simple lines of the landscape. Along the outside of the driveway is a large bed of monkey grass, another lovely spot of green. The back yard is wide, but not deep. Once upon a time it was, before the Corp of Engineers widened Duck Creek and built a concrete retaining wall. It is still a great view and a place to sit and enjoy. There are benches in the yard and on the long patio that they spend much of the time on in the spring and summer.

They have bird feeders and watch the ducks on Duck Creek. Craig said he watched two ducks being chased by a coyote! A large area in the back is laid with flagstones and filled with gravel. Sandy said she did those not long after they moved in but were recenty redone by Greenway Landscapers. Several pots along the patio are filled with succulents that succumbed to the freeze. An arbor leading to the back vard is covered with English Ivy that has worked its way into a grove of trees shared with the neighbors. The lot has a lot of trees: twelve Pecans, an Oak, Japanese Maples, a Laurel. The big trees were there when the Hokensons moved in. Sandy has designed the flower beds and sitting areas. Most of the stone, boulders and gravel came from AAA Sand and Gravel. Some stepping stones are from Home Depot. Some work was by performed by JB Landscaping but Greenway helps maintain the yard. A small bed by the front door and a pot contain purple pansies. The yard and beds are classic shades of green. The house and yard are neat, clean, simple. The property is dignified, in a mid century modern way.

Article contributed by Betty Roberts



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Garden Work Days

Join us for our upcoming Garden Work Days where we will do some Spring cleaning in the 7 gardens around our neighborhood.

We will be gathering March 19th & April 16th.

Bring gloves and water but most importantly, just bring yourself. We will meet at the south Rick Oden Park entry garden at 9 am.

Welcome Our New NPO, Officer Sherry

Nicholas Sherry is a husband to his wife Maranda and father of three children (3yo Lucy and 2yo twin boys Jack and Ben). He worked for the San Francisco Police Department for four and a half years and has been with GPD two and a half years. He graduated from University of Las Vegas, Nevada (UNLV) with a bachelors in Political Science and also played quarterback for their football team from 2011-2014.

Welcome Officer Sherry!



Important Contacts

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