



Oakland Terrace
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New Opportunities are on the Horizon for Oakland Terrace Neighborhood Association!

The officers of Oakland Terrace Neighborhood Association are pleased to announce that our application for 501 c 3 status through the umbrella of the Old Oak Cliff Conservation League has been approved by the Internal Revenue Service. This means great opportunities for Oakland Terrace Neighborhood Association to raise monies through tax deductible gifts and contributions from its members and granting organizations. Some of the ways we can receive tax deductible donations include:

- Neighborhood residents can make tax deductible donations to OTNA toward our general fund or for a special neighborhood project.
- You can select to donate your rewards from your Tom Thumb Reward Card, Albertson's Card, and other reward card programs to OTNA for the general fund or for a special neighborhood project.
- Methodist Hospital offers a yearly matching grant of \$200. to Oak Cliff Neighborhoods that have 501 c 3 status. We will apply for this matching grant!
- The Old Oak Cliff Conservation League offers OTNA the opportunity to apply for a matching grant of up to \$900. for an approved project that improves the safety, security or beauty of a the neighborhood. We will apply for this matching grant!
- OTNA can receive other gifts, donations and matching grants from businesses, employers, and organizations as a tax deductible donation to OTNA.

You may remember that as a group we have made some great improvements to our neighborhood. We installed 15 Oakland Terrace sign toppers that grace the corner street signs and strengthen neighborhood identity. We also raised the money for the installation of three speed bumps on Woodwick Drive that have greatly reduced speeding and through-traffic. The OTNA officers are looking at some proposals for neighborhood improvements that could be funded by these tax deductible donations. These proposals will be presented at the October 4th OTNA National Night Out event. Among these are:

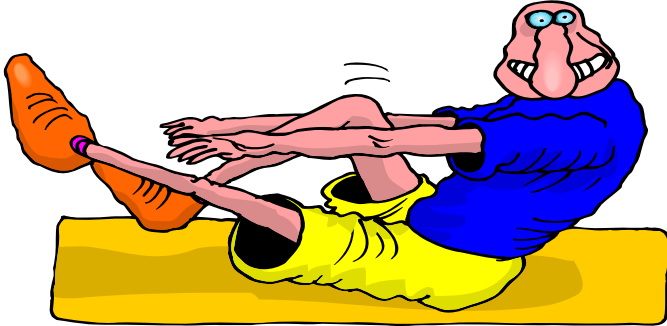
- Install beautiful historic-style street lights at street corners throughout Oakland Terrace neighborhood in place of the telephone pole mounted lights. Other Oak Cliff neighborhoods have recently installed these lights to improve both security and aesthetics.
- Install landscape plantings and other improvements at the three main entrances to the neighborhood: Golden Trophy, Woodwick and Racine Drive.

It is important to be a good steward of our neighborhood and to keep it secure, up to date and desirable for our homeowners as well as for future homeowners. Please think about our new possibilities and what we want to do first!

David Klempin
President,
Oakland Terrace Neighborhood Association

It's Back to Business, but Not As Usual

September means we will be resuming our regular membership meetings in the Polk Wisdom Library Auditorium for the 2008 -2009 year. Our team is ready to move forward with new and exciting ideas. So you get ready to share your ideas and be prepared work to make Oakland Terrace the neighborhood we know it can be and a place you can be proud to call home. This is not a time to forget about where we have come from, but reflect on it as we to look ahead to where we can go. The possibilities are there, but we must all be willing to work harder to achieve the goals.



What could prevent Oakland Terrace from reaching our goal to make our neighborhood a sparkling neighborhood? Surely it is not the age of our homes. Older homes are showcases in some of the most beautiful neighborhoods in Oak Cliff.

It's not necessary to make big changes to your property. You already have a beautiful, unique home in an exceptional neighborhood. Just simple cleaning to make sure your property is tidy year round. Spend a little time properly trimming trees and shrubbery to enhance your homes beauty. Cutting, edging every week and watering your lawn before 10:00 am and after 6:00 pm can give the simplest structure that beautiful drive up appeal. Removing grass from the sidewalk cracks. Sweeping and collecting grass clipping from the gutters gives your property that sparkle that it deserves. Some of the most eye appealing properties are well painted homes with lawns and trees groomed nicely. The curbsides are clear of trash and debris. And don't overlook the alley. Keep it clear of overgrown trees and foliage and clean trash weekly, making it easier for passage. Make sure back yards are well maintained and pets are properly cared for.

REACH for the GOAL Oakland Terrace, we can do it



Oakland Terrace Homeowner Meetings
Mark your calendar

September 9th 2008

Second Tuesday

7:00 to 8:00 PM

Polk Wisdom Library Auditorium

National Night Out!

There has been a date change

The City of Dallas has finally made the decision to move the National Night Out from the **First Tuesday in August** one of the hottest months in Texas to the **First Tuesday in October**.



There are no changes to the NTWA program that is currently in place other than the date change. We look forward to seeing you at Oakland Terrace National night Out in October.

The National Association of Town Watch (NATW) is a nonprofit, crime prevention organization which works in cooperation with

thousands of crime watch groups and law enforcement agencies throughout the country. Since 1981, NATW has been dedicated to the development, growth and maintenance of organized crime and drug prevention programs nationwide. The NATW network has grown to include over 6,500 crime, drug and violence prevention organizations.

NNO has proven to be an effective, inexpensive and enjoyable program to promote neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships in our fight for a safer nation. Plus, the benefits your community will derive from NNO will most certainly extend well beyond the one night.

City Of Dallas

Budget Town Hall Meeting

Tuesday September 2, 2008

7:00 p.m.

The Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center



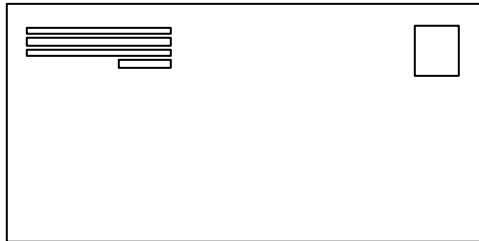
The Honorable Vonciel Jones Hill, Dallas Council representative of District 5 requests your presence at the "Budget Town Hall Meeting" in September. We encourage Oakland Terrace residents to attend this meeting.

Oakland Terrace Membership

\$25.00 per Household

Mail your membership to us

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CALL 911

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Dallas Animal Services

Animal Bites

Animal Noise

Animal Production

Animal in Your Yard

Dead Animal Pickup

Horses

Manure

Number of Animals

Pens

Animal Shelter

Dog and Cat Registration

Vicious Dog

Pooper Scooper Law



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Celebrating our memberships in
The Dallas Homeowner League since 2001
The Old Oak Cliff Conservation League since 2006