

 **Oakland Terrace**   
**Neighborhood Association**  
Dallas, Texas

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**THINK - Clean, Safe and Prosperous!**

*Celebrating 7 Years of Service to our Community!*

The year 2007 ended on a high note with a new mayor and a new council member for district 5, with new interest and direction for Dallas. Count Oakland Terrace in on the idea of moving forward. Attaining our membership in the "Old Oak Cliff Conservation League" is just one of the many things that is moving us forward in a new direction. We have worked so hard, and the reward for hard work is paying off in great dividends. Our neighborhood continues to look better than it has in many years. Our community is more cohesive and focused. We are all working together toward one goal to make our neighborhood a better place to come home to.

The year 2008 began the Oakland Terrace Neighborhood Association's seventh year of serving this neighborhood and the surrounding community. As we look back on many of the accomplishments and improvements that our neighborhood have undergone, we can not help but feel a little pride and feel loads of joy over a job well done. However our work does not end with these accomplishments. It only gives us a starting point for the work we want to do to make Oakland Terrace a place that we can continue to call home and be proud of. There are ways you can be a Good Neighbor in 2008! Keep your property clean and attractive year round. Support community planned projects. Look for ways to improve your property such as painting the exterior, using earth tones and colors that blend well with the color of the brick. Remove old trees and shrubs from your landscape. After some planning, plant new trees and shrubs suited for the location. Consider more than the cost savings when buying plants and trees. This is not always the best way to go about buying plants or trees. Many trees and shrubs at full maturity will become too large in your landscape. So read the labels before purchasing. Many of our homes need new rain gutters. This is a good time of year to begin a replacement project like replacing or repairing those gutters and damaged wood. Replace weather worn windows, doors and fences with good quality materials that will last for another 45 or 50 years.

President, *David Klempin*

**You can make a Difference**

One person, one organization can positively affect the behavior of others  
in this Community



**Be a Good Neighbor! RECYCLE**

# **POLK STREET COMMUNITY WALK-A-THON AND HEALTH FAIR**

**June 7<sup>th</sup> 2008**

**Twin Falls Park**

(S. Polk Street @ West Redbird Lane)

**8 AM to 1 PM**

**Walk-A-Thon Award Categories:**

**Best Group (Civic Club, Church, School, etc)**

**Best Neighborhood Street**

**Best Homeowner/Neighborhood Association**

Health Screenings   Senior Health Info   Blood Pressure Checks  
Samples   Eating Healthy Tips   Kids Health Info   Alternative Healing  
Fitness Safety   Massage   Eye & Dental Screening   Clinical Trial Info

**EVERYTHING IS FREE!!!**

**5K WALK**

**1 MILE FUN WALK**



**ALL WALKS BEGIN AT 8 AM**

**JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS FOR A HEALTHY  
COMMUNITY DAY OF FUN**

## **Sponsors**

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Oakland Terrace Neighborhood Association  
April 8, 2008

The meeting was brought to order by President David Klempin at 7:10 p.m.

**Invocation:** Ms. Ruby Green opened the meeting with prayer.

**Crime Report:** Dallas Police Department Officer Janell Wickens reported that Beat #745 had 87 calls and 22 reports made with only 2 part-one offenses in OTNA area.

They were: 1- Burglary of coin machine at Laundromat  
1-Burglary of motor vehicle

Officer Wickens noted that the OTNA area continues to benefit from the watchful eyes of neighbors and the Association's leadership for our community. She recommended our continued vigilance on behalf of our neighborhood and wants the effort sustained. She again urged us to report any truancy since the students need to be in school.

She further recommends calling in and reporting any suspicious activity in the neighborhood.

Visiting police officers Corp.Pager, Officer Lett and Detective Nash were in attendance at the meeting. For general information questions, one may call 214 671-4505.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ending Balance \$620.99.

**New Business:** Members reported the location of a half-way house in the area and is the source of an increase in transient traffic in the neighborhood. Discussion focused on the possibility of perhaps two of these houses being located in the area. Members thought that the houses were going to serve as transitional housing for adult released back into the community. We are to call 311 or 911 if needed to keep our area serene and safe.

President Klempin provided an update on OTNA application for 501 © 3 recognition.

President Klempin and Ruby Green did the work on the 14 page packet that was submitted to the IRS with the change in amendments and turned in to Barbara Barbie who is directing the greater Oak Cliff areas application for 501© 3 standing. We should receive the 501 © 3status under the umbrella of the OOCCL.

We are part of the initial applying group since we keep accurate Association records. Remember, whenever we pay our \$25.00 a year fee, and make other donations for beautification projects, they will be tax deductible after we receive the new status. Also, applied for EIN number and should be receiving it within a few days. We went ahead and changed the name from Oakland Terrace Homeowners Association to **Oakland Terrace Neighborhood Association (OTNA)** to comply with the application for the 501© 3 status.

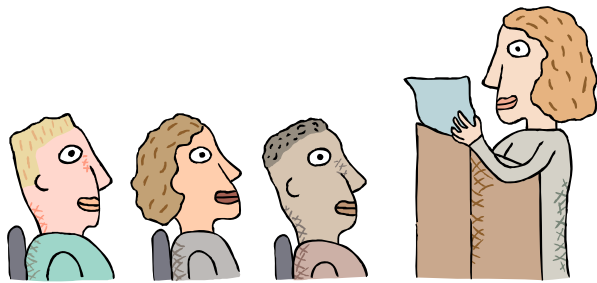
Our neighborhoods originated in 1962 and there were no (if any) homeowners associations organized. That is set-up when neighborhoods are constructed and they can legally, through deed of property, collect dues from all homeowners. Neighborhood associations are voluntary and our group is voluntary. Our web-site Oakland Terrace.net is still the same and will not be impacted by the name change and the 501 © 3 standing when approved.

President Klempin reported on the Earth Day Celebration scheduled for Sunday April 20, 2008 at Lake Cliff Park from 11:00 am to 5:00 PM. He had some posters and handouts on the celebration and encouraged members to participate.

Garden of the month was awarded to our neighbors at 930 Highfall Drive for their beautiful well-maintained landscape. CONGRATULATIONS

Door prize will be awarded at the next May meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.



**Be sure the  
Oakland Terrace Neighborhood Meetings  
Is on your Calendar!**

**May 13th 2008**

**Second Tuesday**

**7:00 to 8:00 PM**

**Polk Wisdom Library Auditorium**

**Oakland Terrace  
Membership  
\$25.00 per Household**

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And  
Volunteer Committee Chairpersons**

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**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

