

2016 Calendar

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Meet New Neighbors Coffee
 Saturday, SEP 17th, 9-11am
 @ the Gazebo in the Park

WE NEED YOU!
Board Member Nominations
 contact Misty Meador at
mistymeador@hotmail.com

**National Night Out
 OPNA Annual Meeting
 w/Dinner & Board Elections**
 Tuesday, OCT 4th, 6-8pm
 @ Richardson East
 Church of Christ,
 1504 Campbell Rd at Owens

Qtr Crime Watch MTG
 Thursday, OCT 6th, 5:30pm
 @ Huffines Rec Ctr

OPNA Halloween Bash
 Monday, OCT 31st, 5:30pm
 @ the Lookout Park Pavilion

Qtr Crime Watch MTG
 Thursday, DEC 1st, 5:30pm
 @ Huffines Rec Ctr

Holiday Cheer
 Still working on details...
 Watch Nextdoor for more info!

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A Clear Vision for Our Future

Submitted by Misty Meador

We believe Owens Park is a great place to live and we want everyone else to know that too! The board has been working on a number of things that will enhance the neighborhood in order to remain an attractive location in Richardson.

This year we worked with the city to upgrade Lookout Park. Improvements include a new playground triple the size of the old one, an additional water fountain, BBQ grills, completion of the sidewalk around the field, and leveling of the soccer fields.

In addition, we have collaborated on rebranding the neighborhood with an original Owens Park logo. Soon you will see new signage announcing events at the entrances/exits of the neighborhood. In the coming months, our website will be completely transformed to a place you will want to visit regularly to obtain information on upcoming events and updates on the neighborhood.

There are several aesthetic improvements throughout the neighborhood we plan to work on over the next few years. These include Owens Park entrance sign at the intersection of Owens/Campbell, Owens Park street sign toppers, stop sign upgrades, and overall beautification of the neighborhood.

In order for our neighborhood to continue moving forward, we need to increase participation in our OPNA membership (a minimal \$30/year) and add additional volunteers to help plan events. We need YOU to get involved!

Thanks!
 Misty Meador
 OPNA President
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National Night Out & Annual Meeting Combined

Submitted by Misty Meador

Mark your calendar, circle it, AND star it, and come on out to meet and mingle with your neighbors on Tuesday, October 4th from 6-8 pm. This year we will be hosting National Night Out at Richardson East Church of Christ at 1504 E Campbell, which is at the intersection of Campbell and Owens. We are thrilled that they are allowing us to use their facilities so that we can have a larger, safer, indoor event.

We will be combining National Night Out and OPNA Annual meeting so come ready to vote for the board positions and hear an update on 2016 activities. Membership is required to vote. You never know who may join us as Ms. Texas stopped by last year and let the kids wear her crown!

OPNA will be providing Raising Cane's chicken, ice tea, lemonade, and water. Please bring a dish or dessert to share!

This year we will also have TWO bounce houses to accommodate all of the kids in our growing neighborhood!

*If anyone in the neighborhood provides services they would like to volunteer to make this event extra special, please contact me!

Thanks!
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Introducing Our Newest Resident

Submitted by Misty Meador

We are lucky to live in an established neighborhood that is heavily treed. All of these wonderful trees bring so many squirrels to the neighborhood, that it's time to include them in our membership! Now we need a little help naming our squirrel!

We are having a contest to name the SQUIRREL! Please submit names to board@owenspark.org by October 1st, 2016. Come on out to National Night Out and vote for your favorite name! We

cannot wait to see what clever names you all come up with!

We are so thankful to have creative people in our neighborhood! Special thanks to Leonor and Julian Gallegos for designing a new logo especially for OWENS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION!



Run for the Board...We Need You!

We need volunteers to serve on the 2017 Owens Park Neighborhood Association Board. All positions are a one-year commitment. Volunteer time ranges from 1-5 hours a month. You must be an OPNA member. Elections will be held at our National Night Out/Annual meeting on Tuesday, October 4th.

2016 OPNA
board@owenspark.org

BOARD MEMBERS
President: Misty Meador
Vice President: Barbara Fullerton
Secretary: Katherine Cargile
Treasurer: Victor Hugo Garza
Social Events: *Still Needed!*
Membership: Michael Enoch
Social Media Tools: Ylde Sola
Crime Watch Coordinator:
 Nancy & Curt VanLandingham

BLOCK CAPTAINS

Woodoak Dr (1400s)
 Nancy VanLandingham

Woodoak Dr (1500s)
 Shawn O'Neill

Woodoak Dr (1600s, 1700s)
 Jean Kooda

Woodglen Dr (2300-2324)
 Dan & Lisa Carr

Woodglen Dr (2325-2349)
 Dan & Lisa Carr

Woodcreek Dr (1400s)
 Mike Smith

Woodcreek Dr (1500s)
 Kelly Smith

Woodcreek Dr (1600s,1700s)
 Arva & Pete Smith

Windsor Dr (2200)
 Janet Centol

Windsor Dr (2300)
 Sherrill Bodie

Shannon Ln / Ct
 Michael Enoch

Jennifer St (1400s)
 Michael Enoch

Jennifer St (1500s)
 Michael Enoch

Yorkshire Ct / Dr (1500s)
 Michael Enoch

Yorkshire Dr (1600s, 1700s)
 Victor & Tiffany Garza

Victoria Ln
 Maitri Smithhisler

Chelsey Ln / Cir
 Evelyn Roberson

Summertree Ct
 Niky Bukovcan

Owens Blvd (2200)
 Jennifer Tiner

Owens Blvd (2300)
 Michael Davis

To volunteer, contact Michael Enoch at michael.g.enoch@gmail.com

Welcome Friends

Submitted by Michael Enoch

We look forward to welcoming all of our new neighbors and seeing familiar faces on Saturday morning September 17th, at Lookout Park! A locally owned business, **Lattes on Location**, has offered to provide smoothies and coffee from 9am-11am under the park Pavilion. Free. Donations are accepted.

Halloween Bash



Submitted by Misty Meador

We had so much fun last Halloween we decided to do it again! OPNA is serving pizza at Lookout Park at 5:30pm on Monday, October 31st, 2016. Join us to see the costume parade before the trick-or-treaters head out!

About Membership

Submitted by Michael Enoch

Owens Park Neighborhood Association (OPNA) is a volunteer organization that works to improve the quality of life in the neighborhood by organizing social events to unify the neighborhood and create a safer environment. We currently have 65 members, 17 of which are new for 2016! OPNA has 2 main membership drives each year. Many people renew for \$30 at the annual National Night Out event held the first Tuesday in October. We also have an annual membership drive from January to March. Your membership is good for an entire year from when you last renewed. Therefore, if you renewed at National Night Out 2015, your membership is good until National Night Out 2016 held on October 4th this year. When we have the annual membership drive in the first part of 2017, you should **NOT** pay if you signed up during National Night Out 2016. Donations are also accepted.

Seeking Block Captains

Submitted by Michael Enoch

Please contact us if you would like to be a block captain for the following streets: **Timberway, Springtree, and Summertree**. We are in NEED! What do block captains do? Currently, they help distribute flyers 4-6 times a year on their block.

The board is discussing having block parties beginning in 2017. The block captain would help with organizing and/or hosting a block party for their block. This would be a very casual gathering in someone's front yard with refreshments and potluck.

Crime Watch Patrol Stats for Summer

Submitted by Nancy VanLandingham

Patrol Hours - (June, July, & August)	34
<i>(This number includes Patrol & Meeting hours—as you can see we could use more patrollers!)</i>	
Types of Observations	
Open Garage Doors (OGD)	66
Other Property Observations (OPO)	3
<i>(broken cable box, goat in alley, removed 3ft grass snake from a property)</i>	
Suspicious Persons (SP)	2
Suspicious Vehicles (SV)	2
<i>(dirt bike motorcycle & ATV driving on park fields)</i>	
House Watches	2

The following people patrolled/attended meetings for the months of June, July, and August: Marty Brady, Michael Brown, Barbara Fullerton, Larry Hyde, Curt VanLandingham, and Nancy VanLandingham.

We would like to give a SPECIAL SHOUTOUT to **Marty Brady, Michael Brown, and Larry Hyde**. These 3 individuals have served on our Crime Watch Patrol and watched over us since the beginnings. Without them, the Crime Watch Patrol wouldn't be what it is today. They all average at least 2 patrols a month. THANK YOU for help in keeping us SAFE! You guys are AWESOME!

We are in need of Crime Watch Patrollers. As you can see our numbers are low. The RPD would like to see us average at least 20-25 hours per month. The commitment is minimal with just 1-2 hours of patrol a month. You must take a one-time RPD Crime Watch Patrol Class. If you are interested, please contact us at crimewatch@owenspark.org.

SEE something SAY something Most crimes are crimes of opportunity. Help us stop crime by reporting what you see! Close your garage doors even when you're at home or working in the yard. Lock your cars. Keep your valuables out of site. **Report ALL Suspicious Activity!** Call 911 for emergency and 972-744-4800 for non-emergencies. Give us a shout and let us know what's going too...crimewatch@owenspark.org.

The Numbers

Submitted by Victor Garza

Balance from April 1, 2016	\$ 4,403.91
Expenses	
Newsletter Printing	\$ -99.59
Bank Fee	\$ -4.00
Trash Bash Expenses	\$ -42.18
Incoming	
Membership Deposit	\$ +120.00
Balance as of Sept. 10, 2016	\$ 4,378.14



Thanks Victor for keeping us in balance!