



Current Issues

Association Meeting Notes

May 17th meeting at Festival foods was lightly attended with key discussion on: Ridgeway Drive design resolved for now; retention pond is an eye-sore but is a city owned drainage area; it is not for dumping etc. Other topics discussed: Thrift sale plans, dog issues, survey results, stop signage placement, Briarcrest children playing in street, annual picnic plans, business owner classifieds, potential craft sale, election planning, neighborhood watch, and more

Treasurer's Report - as of May 31, 2005

Funds in checking account.....	\$813.51
Funds in savings account.....	\$ 5.06
Invoices Payable.....	\$ 0.00
Uncollected Receipts.....	\$ 0.00
Net Worth.....	\$818.17

Next OCNA Meeting

is Sept 16th 7pm at the Festival Foods conf room. Please plan to attend. Your participation is important to the success of the association.

Our Annual Thrift Sale was a happening place to be!

Sell, Sell, Sell, was what was happening the weekend of May 20 & 21st. If you were out of town and did not notice we had our 4th Annual Thrift Sale in our neighborhood. I was very pleased that our weather held out for us this year except the gusts of winds that seem to blow over everyone's stuff and our Food Tent.

This year we had the most participation we have ever had with 29 houses taking part in the sale. The shoppers had a ball moving from one house to another finding more and more stuff to buy. I even noticed several shoppers back the next day to take a second look around. It's takes a lot of work to sort through, clean out, organize, price, stack and hang, so I give everyone a lot of credit. I hear our Otter Creek Neighborhood has become well known for this Annual Sale now. I did recognize a lot of shopper from last year. It was nice to say "hi" and see them shopping again this year.

One young shopper said to me " you have one happening neighborhood"! I had to laugh and just replied "Yes I think we do"!

I hope that all that participated were very successful in selling all their treasures. Over all I think that hard work pays off; you clean out your old stuff, put smiles on shoppers' faces, make some cash and donate your left overs to a good cause. It's all over by Saturday afternoon so when the sunrise the next morning the street is back to normal.

So as I said before, we are the "happening neighborhood" and it's time to wrap up another year for this neighborhood sale. It could not have been as successful with out each of you. So thank you all and start saving for next year. Plan on the last weekend in May again in 2006.

By the way if anyone happens to see our red "Huge Sale" sign around town please notify Paula Gozner 552-8363. We are missing one and believe me they are not cheap!

Paula Gozner-Vice President of Otter Creek Neighborhood Association and Thrift Sale Planner

Thank you notes: A big thank you to all the wonderful neighbors that helped make meals, walk her dog and make cookies/muffin for Beverly Spallees. Beverly had fallen and was laid up for a few weeks recovering. Beverly wanted all to know she really appreciated all the help and all the meals everything was very tasty. I want everyone to know it gave Beverly and our OCNA board a warm feeling to know so many different neighbors helping out in this time of need. It is always nice to know we can count on our gracious neighbors.

A Special thank you to the following families that pitched in: Peggy & John Hakala, JoAnne & John Applebaugh, Erica Zack, Stacey Powells, Jennifer Solin, Kathy Dawald, Paula Gozner & the kids, Rebecca Zimmerman, Tess Lokken, Theresa Anderson, Kristel Tavare, Sherry Mohr, Karol Machmeier Joyce Farren, Connie & Jerry Pelzek and anyone else that I are unaware of that helped Bev in her time of need. Thank you all!

OCNA Board

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Secretary

Records meetings and keeps minutes

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Attend meetings to represent block options

If you have neighborhood welcome news, please contact:

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If you have any newsletter comments or newsy items, please contact:

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OCNA's very active vice president Paula Gozner

Otter Creek Neighborhood Association Advertisers

If you are interested in placing an ad or know of a business owner who would like advertising space, please email Duane at dberg581@aol.com or Russ at rustus_1447@yahoo.com. The cost for a business card size ad is \$75 for three issues or \$30 for one issue. Larger sizes available. The OCNA newsletter is distributed three times each year.

Neighborhood Businesses

Beginning with the Fall newsletter issue, we want to feature businesses & services in our neighborhood. If you are a resident within the OCNA boundaries, and have a business or a service that you own or offer, or a business where you work, please email basic info to Duane at dberg581@aol.com.

The OCNA Spring Computer Club

was a happy time each Saturday morning for five weeks. Come join us this Fall for a basic session on Internet, email, & scanning/managing photos. ----->



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