

ONA 2024-2025 Nominees

President



Vickie Litton When I originally moved to Oakridge in 1997, I was renting from people who had been residents of Oakridge for many years. I felt that it was important to be a member of the ONA even as a renter. Once I was a homeowner, I continued the membership. I am a corporate paralegal who retired in 2020. Retirement was not my cup of tea. So, I am now doing contract work specifically with Highgate Hotels. My husband, Lee, and I have been married for thirty years and have two daughters and six grandchildren. Both of us grew up in Garland. We love Oakridge and our neighbors and are thankful that our Lord led us here.

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Vice President



Yvette Bonavita My family and I joined the Oakridge neighborhood in June 2012 and love the neighborhood and wonderful neighbors we've met here! We have two kids, one in college who will be a sophomore this year and the other will be a Senior this upcoming school year. Lastly, we have our Australian shepherd, Lulu, who likes to greet neighbors in the alley and partake of treats! My husband, Shaun, and I love to play pickleball together and you'll sometimes catch us playing at the outdoor courts at the Duck Creek Golf Club. We are trying to get to the golf range more often this year and play at least 9 holes once a month since our golf game has become a bit rusty. Looking forward to serving the neighborhood and meeting new neighbors along the way!

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Secretary

TBD

Treasurer



Sarah Freeman, Incumbent My husband Ross and I have lived in Oakridge for 10 years. I am a CPA and Tax Partner with Carr, Riggs & Ingram in Dallas. We have two cocker spaniels, Gracie and Tanner. I am an avid Dallas Stars fan and season ticket holder. I look forward to serving the Oakridge neighborhood as treasurer.

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District 2



Charles Leonard I have been an Oakridge resident since 1985. I worked for Schudi Organ Company in Garland 1978-1989, building pipe organs for churches, then for R. L. Sipe Organ Company in Garland 1989-2020, and US Army, active 1969-1971 (Berlin Brigade 1970-1971). My hobbies and interests include gardening, hiking, mountaineering, history, and linguistics. I am a member Christ Episcopal Church Dallas and choir member since 1993, serving as vestry member since 2022 and member of the Garland Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors since 2023, and Garland Community Multicultural Commission since 2024.

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District 4



Oliver Harter, Incumbent My wife Vickie and I have been residents of Oakridge since 2009. I am retired after serving as an auditor/analyst with the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) and five years in the U.S. Army.

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District 6



Ruba Qewar I moved with my husband Walaa Shehata to the beautiful and peaceful Oakridge Neighborhood in December 2021. I feel right at home and everyone here is kind and nice and I love the diversity of the community. I am an Interactive 3D Modeler/Animator/Developer contractor. I am also the founder of "American Islamic Diversity (AID)", a Nonprofit organization for society development by helping to furnish the homes and cover the physical and emotional needs of the newcomer refugees and less fortunate. We also help in getting the right vocational training and jobs to better the income and have sustainable living. All the donations come to us goes 100% towards the projects. My slogan: "Don't Give Me a Fish but Teach me How to Fish!" I do not have any kids, but I have a mischievous goofy cat named "Halloumi" meaning White Cheese.

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**Crime & Safety
Director**



Lee Litton, Appointed I was in the Petroleum Industry with a Division of Hughes Tool Company in Alaska as well as California and Oklahoma. My wife, Vickie, and I were happy to move back to Garland where we grew up and have lived on and off since 1960. We have been residents of Oakridge since 1997. We love Garland and are proud of our neighborhood, neighbors, and welcoming environment.

The Oakridge Neighborhood Association (ONA) has meant a great deal to us; and we realize that the ONA continues to diligently work for the best interests of our neighborhood in so many ways with members voluntarily offering their time to continue to grow our ONA and keep our neighborhood beautiful and peaceful. Completing the Garland Citizens Policy Academy Class #53 in 2019 and joining the Garland Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (GCPAAA) the same year. I served on the GCPAAA Board of Directors for two years (one term was shortened due to the COVID outbreak) most recently serving as the Director of Fund Raising and continue to serve the Board with special events, flag days and other functions. The association with the GCPAAA encouraged me to join our Citizens on Patrol (COP) for our neighborhood also in 2019. I continue to serve the COP.

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**Communication
Director**

OPEN, Appointed

Volunteer or recommendation needed.