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## General Meeting Oak Lane Day By Fernando Jones



### Calendar of Upcoming Events:

- OICAA Ghost Walk. Stay tune for more information in the next Newsletter

### Website of Interest:

[www.recyclingpays.phila.gov](http://www.recyclingpays.phila.gov)

The OLCAA General Meeting/Elections were held on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Vice president Thurgood Mathews presided as Chair. Newly elected Board Members are: A.J. Jordan, Cathy Smith, Al Mitchell, Andrea Jones, Richard Stephens, and Jack Malley. Returning Board Members are: Marita Krivda Poxon, Carmen Jimenez, Kelly McShain Tyree and Sharon Williams Losier. Standing Board members are Thurgood Mathews, Keisha Mathews, Earlene Mitchell, Renel Sample and Wrenton Wright.

We wish to thank outgoing Board Members Pamela (P.J.) Thomas, and Evelyn Jones for their dedicated service to the Board and to East Oak Lane.

On June 9, 2007, scores of people gathered on Oak Lane Avenue to participate in the community's annual gathering, "Oak Lane Day." This warm Saturday, lead and planned by OLCAA and East Oak Lane residents, brought folks out to enjoy fantastic food, fabulous entertainment, and plain fun. "A Stroll Through East Oak Lane" was this year's theme, and the event stayed true to that as onlookers browsed through goods being sold by neighbors and even taking part in a Victorian Tea Party on the lawn of one of the many magnificent Victorian homes in the neighborhood. The day was kicked off by local news anchor for Fox 29, Sheinelle Jones, and from there the festivities began.

### Food, Fun, and Entertainment

In true Oak Lane Day fashion, the diversity and generosity of our neighborhood stood out with our wonderful array of food. From the traditional hot dogs and hamburgers to the international cuisine created and donated by the community, there was a multitude of food to choose from.

Oak Lane Day is known for its activities for all ages. As people practiced



their Salsa, many of the youth found their way to the Children's Corner. Mini-games such as a basketball shoot-out and the beanbag toss allowed patrons to win prizes from toys to candy. If you were in the more creative mood, kids were able to make prince and princess crowns, choose a balloon animal of

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## Oak Lane Day Continued

their choice to be made, have their face painted or create Father's Day placemats for the upcoming holiday. On top of all that, there was a moon bounce. Yes... a moon bounce. The youth of East Oak Lane also played their part by manning and running the Children's Corner, as well as volunteering at various booths.

From steel drums to pep bands, and bagpipes to salsa, the en-

tertainment for the day was as diverse as the community. Aside from the music, other forms of art were expressed. For those who attended the tea party, the soothing sounds of the viola and harp set the tone that complimented the beautiful setting. To further the feel of the theme, guests were invited to take in a stroll on a "mini-tour" of the neighborhood. Although limited to one street, the

the guide (Manny Ryder),



presented knowledge about the community's history and architecture that seemed unlimited.

The success of this Oak Lane Day is greatly attributed to the volunteers of its committee, Jean Savage (decoration/tea party), Smitty (set-up), Renel Sample (food), Keisha Matthews (children's game), Judy Becker (food), Marita K. Poxon, Kelly McShane Tyree (entertainment), and Oak Lane Day co-Chairs Sharon Losier and my mom, Evelyn Jones.

All in all, this turned out to be one of the most eventful and attended Oak Lane Day's.

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Oak Lane Presbyterian Church Events

**Guess what's swimming up ahead?**

**Great Bible Reef Vacation Bible School!**

**Place: Oak Lane Presbyterian Church**

**Date: June 25-29, 2007**

**Time: 6:30 - 8:30 PM**

All kids between the ages of 4 and 17 are invited to dive in! We will listen to great stories about Jesus, make cool crafts, sing fun songs, play zany games and make a school of friends! Register Today! Stop by the VBS registration table after worship to sign up, or call the church office at (215) 424-446.

See you at the Great Bible Reef!

### Summer Worship Service Hours

**On Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup> the time of the Worship Service will change to 10:00 AM for the duration of the summer through Labor Day, September 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

The 11:00 AM time of service will resume on Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.

### Outdoor Worship Service

On Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup> The Cathedral Brass will again visit us and play for our annual outdoor service, on the lawn outside the church. We always have fun on that morning, and this year should be no exception. Come join us and invite a friend!

**Oak Lane Summer Camp - Spaces Still Available!**

The Oak Lane Summer Camp is in its fifth year and will run from June 25 - August 24, 2007. Camp hours are 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM, with extended hours from 7:00 - 8:30 AM and 3:30 - 6:00 PM. Reasonable fees are \$83 per week, plus an additional \$5 for extended hours.

Activities include trips, arts & crafts, computers, karate, chess, music & dance, daily library visits, outdoor activities and exercise. The camp participates in the Eagles Bookmobile and Philadelphia Reads Program.

**Registration information: Parents may submit applications between the hours of 3-6 PM, Monday - Friday at the church until June 19. Applications are also available in the Auditorium. Call the church office at (215) 424-4446 for more information.**

The **Cultural Arts Program** at OLPC will be offering a six-week summer session of music lessons for children and youth, starting the week of July 10, 2007. Call Harriett Atkerson for more information (215-888-9018).

## OLCAA AT WORK

- ◆ The Housing and Zoning Committee, has been working in conjunction with Marion Johnson of councilwoman Tasco's Office:
  - Attended community meeting for 6707 Old York Road, hosted by Rev. Bowden of the Hopeful Gospel Church and School, regarding the issues of high and amplified noise levels, as well as the disruptive activity of unsupervised youths trespassing on their property. Rev. Bowden committed to working with the community to ensure that the quality of life for neighbors would be respected and immediately addressed. The school is removing the basketball nets at 6pm daily and during weekend hours, and the Hopeful School is erecting a high quality fence in the rear to discourage trespassing on neighbors' properties. Members of their congregation have pledged to join OLCAA and have committed to participating in the East Oak Lane Town Watch.
  - The East Oak Lane Town Watch worked in conjunction with the Police Dept. to remove the abandoned RV Camper located on N. 9th Street near Oak Lane.
  - Attended community meetings for 6405 N. Broad Street hosted by the proprietor, regarding the petition to change the zoning designation to allow for catered events/nightclub activities on the first floor. The Zoning hearing was held on June 13<sup>th</sup> and was highly attended by OLCAA, Marion Johnson of Councilwoman Tasco's Office, many East Oak Lane neighbors from the SW quadrant, St. Mark's Evangelical Church and concerned citizens from either side of Broad Street. Compelling testimony was offered by many- a few supporters, the majority in opposition. Included was a comprehensive letter objecting to the conversion by Captain John McCloskey of the 35<sup>th</sup> District. The Board of OLCAA and Councilwoman Tasco also objected. Ultimately, the Zoning Board voted to not allow the space to be used for the proposed activities based on concerns for increased noise, trash, loitering and disruptive activity in and around the residential areas, based on the threat to quality of life for area residents and businesses, based on parking concerns and increased traffic accidents. Chairman Auspitz, a former East Oak Laner, spoke fondly of our community, of the impressive homes of the area and commended the revitalization movement at work in the neighborhood, and along N. Broad Street. Sharon Williams Losier, Chair of the Housing & Zoning Committee, presided as attorney for OLCAA.
  - ◆ The Oak Lane Tree Tenders, in conjunction with volunteers from LaSalle University:
    - Planted over 19 trees in and around the community: 11 at the St. Mark's Evangelical Church at Broad & Chelton, 6 at 6810 N. 12th St., 1 at Ellwood, 1 at Christ School for Living on Oak Lane. 16 were planted by Awbury Landscape Services, and 9 will be planted on Old York Rd. including in front of the Hopeful Gospel School at 6707 Old York Road.
    - Solicited for the Fall planting and received over 58 requests, including 8 trees to be planted at the EXXON station at the corner of Broad & Godfrey.
    - In conjunction with the Friends of the Oak Lane library, hosted a highly attended Gilbert and Sullivan Music Concert at the Korean United Church on May 12th.
  - ◆ The Beautification Committee:
    - Solicited funds for the Capitol Improvement Campaign and received donations from Ellis Steptoe, the 66th Avenue Garage, Saul Berger, The Event Solicited funds for the Capitol Improvement Campaign and received donations from Ellis Steptoe, the Place, Under the Oak Café, and Mr. & Mrs. Kim of Gallelli Tailors on Oak Lane, as well as The Shop Express at Old York Rd. & 69<sup>th</sup> Ave.
    - Received permission from Bruce Goodman Properties to place a Victorian bench on the CVS drug store on 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Broad St. at the Septa bus stop. Received a donation from Joseph Manero & Sons (Masons) for the paving of the base for the new bench.
    - Met and worked with Syed Ahmed, the owner of Shop Express, to help improve the appearance and safety of his store on Old York at 69th Avenue. As a result, Shop Express has landscaped their curb lines, cleaned the lot, painted his sign post and has donated \$275 for the placement of a Victorian bench at the bus stop on Old York Road. He has also purchased an additional tree to be planted next fall.
    - Attended planning session with fellow community organizations at SCRUBS, a non-profit agency committed to curbing urban blight throughout Philadelphia.
  - ◆ The Block Rep/ Town Watch Committees met to continue to plan strategies for the East Oak Lane Town Watch. There will be target areas for patrolling as well as general patrolling.
  - ◆ East Oak Lane Town Watch met with Officer Baynard & Captain McCloskey to address reported disturbances. Crime in East Oak Lane is down 50% thanks to increased Eyes and Ears as well as the effective patrolling of the 35<sup>th</sup> District. Please report any incidents to 911, as well as the OLCAA Hotline so that the Committee can follow up.
  - ◆ The Events Committee hosted the Annual Potluck Dinner for the neighborhood. Many politicians and judges accepted the invitation to meet residents of the community. Planning for Oak Lane Day continues on a weekly basis.

## Friends of Oak Lane Library

By P. Michael Poxon  
President



The Gilbert and Sullivan Concert held May 12, 2007 was a success, resulting in funds being raised for the East Oak Lane Tree Tenders and the Friends of the Oak Lane Library. Thanks to all who contributed their time, energy, and resources to make the event an inspired evening of music and good food. Hilda Gross, Treasurer, and her group of bakers and chefs, are to be



commended. The raffle resulted in some very happy winners, too. Highlights included printing of advertising banners, paid for by More Bank and Apple Roofing Co., that were hung on several telephone poles. The singers appeared wearing tuxedos and gowns. They sang 29 songs

from 11 Gilbert & Sullivan operas.

Summer Reading program begins for the Library on June 18th, while the Friends of the Library Summer Reading program begins on Wednesday, June 27th. The Friends will have an enrollment party on Wednesday evening, June 27th at 6:30 pm. All parents and children who wish to participate in the Friends' Summer Reading program should try to make the first meeting. What is the difference between the two summer reading programs? The Friends' Summer Reading Program will have some structure, a point of view, led by skilled and experienced volunteers who will lead discussions and verify the reports of the children. The children will have lots of fun. Please look for brochures at the Library announcing the "Reading Takes You Around the World" summer reading event and send your children to the Library to read books this summer.

On Monday, July 23, the Friends will sponsor a book party to welcome the publication of the last of the seven Harry Potter books, **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hal-**

**lows.** Look for the announcement of the July 23rd book party. Children are encouraged to wear their own costumes depicting the Harry Potter stories. The party will occur in the afternoon.

## Food Committee By Judy Becker

I'd like to thank my assistant, Rich Stephens, and all the volunteers who donated food and/or hours helping serve food, setting up the tables and cleaning up afterwards on Oak Lane Day. Without all of their help we wouldn't have had the great success that we did. For me, a lot of the enjoyment was getting connected by phone and in person with some many of our wonderful neighbors. The process was as much (or more) fun as the goal.

## Call to All Neighbors

We have heard on the Hotline and from many neighbors at our various meetings that our streets in East Oak Lane are in need of repaving. We understand that many have called the Streets Department to complain and all they have done is send a crew who only fill in the pot holes but not repave.

We need to unite and each neighbor on each street that needs their street repaved, call the Streets Department Customer Affairs at 215-686-5560 and complain. Maybe as a collective we can make a difference and get their attention and they will repave our streets to match our beautiful homes.

Let's give it a try and let OLCAA know by calling the Hotline 215-224-2777 of your experience.



## At Home in Oak Lane

Having lived in Philadelphia for all of my life, I am a city girl, through and through. Will Smith's popular *Fresh Prince* theme song could have been written for me, as I too, am "*West Philadelphia born and raised.*" I spent my life growing in and loving the inner-city neighborhood where my family lived, attended public schools, and completed my college education at the University of Pennsylvania, just minutes away from my family's home on 34<sup>th</sup> Street. I then worked at the University for several years, skipping to work from my apartment in half the time that it takes me to walk to the Fern Rock Station.

I met my husband in a neighborhood church and we bought a home around the corner from both of our parents, where our own family expanded to include four children. I loved the fact that my neighbors knew us, and knew my children. I loved the portrait of diversity painted by our community, as within a 4-6 block radius you could find lawyers, teachers and postal workers, ministers, families and college students. [There were also a fair number of not-quite-legal proprietors, but that's another story.] The sights and sounds of the City came alive in my neighborhood as people gathered to watch fireworks from the front porch, cooked for block parties, jumped double-dutch in the street and kept on top of the latest

news: "*Did Martina have her baby yet?*" "*Somebody was at your door earlier this morning.*" "*We need to call the City and tell them about that broken street light....*"

When our family moved to East Oak Lane in early 2003, I resolved that for all of the things we loved about our new house and new neighborhood, some of the things I had experienced and treasured about my old neighborhood would be lost. However, the beauty of a city like Philadelphia is the diversity of its neighborhoods. While we have had a different type of experience, we have been rewarded no less by the blessing of good neighbors in a community that we love.

Our arrival to our new home was welcomed with home-cooked meals by empathetic moms, flowers from another neighbor, plenty of warm greetings and introductions, and an impromptu lecture on the history of Oak Lane and specifically, our house, by one of our neighborhood historians, Saul Berger. Since that time, we have had snow-shoveling "parties" together, taken advantage of having a next-door-neighbor who is a hairdresser, enjoyed a backyard barbecue with other neighbors, and done our own share of welcoming to new neighbors with fruit, cookies and play dates.

The highlight for me was

this past Christmas when several of my 11<sup>th</sup> Street neighbors shared in the joy and spirit of giving by Christmas caroling and bringing gifts to the residents at the neighboring nursing home, Marwood. I felt such pride as we told the residents and staff workers, "We are your neighbors, and we are praying for you." I knew then that I was a part of a unique community of neighbors. I realized that it is the *people* who make a neighborhood great. I knew that I was still a city girl, in a city neighborhood, and that I was at home.



**Photo:** Oak Lane neighbors celebrate with Karen at "*Philly Girl Turns 40*" birthday party at **The Event Place** on Oak Lane. February 2007

### WISSAHICKON SCHIST LOCAL STONE ABUNDANTLY USED IN EAST OAK LANE HOMES

By Marita K. Poxon, MS  
Historic Preservation Committee

When I have the time to stroll along East Oak Lane sidewalks and look

at the stunning Victorian homes & churches lining our byways, I have often admired the glistening stonework on the buildings. I have come to learn that this stone is unique to North & Northwest Philadelphia and is locally quarried stone, known as Wissahickon Schist. This stone has distinctive flecks of shiny mica and tones of gray, blue, tan, brown and black. Much of Oak Lane is built on bedrock and builders in the late 1800s & early 1900s used stone from local quarries along Germantown Avenue. There were quarries in East Oak Lane itself and a quarry even existed on Moss Street (currently 10<sup>th</sup> Street - where there still is the remains of this quarry!). East Oak Lane builders & architects used the native stone from rock outcroppings that lay in great veins under our Wissahickon Valley. They simply dug into the ground right under their feet to unearth the local stone. East Oak Lane builders fashioned homes in the Gothic Revival, Italian Villa, Colonial Revival, and Georgian architectural styles. Even though East Oak Lane homes are of varying styles, the buildings are tied together by the common use of Wissahickon schist quarried from native stone outcrops. The stone in East Oak Lane buildings, walls, gateposts, and walkways coalesces to form a harmonious look despite

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## A Letter from the President

Dear Neighbors of East Oak Lane,

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Board of Directors, to the Committees of OLCAA, and to supportive neighbors over the past two years for the work, dedication and passion they've exhibited for improving the quality of life for East Oak Laners. As neighbors, we set out to revitalize the community, and I'm proud to say that we've accomplished just that!

The list is long of what we've collectively been able to accomplish together:

Since 2005, we've introduced the East Oak Lane Paper and the East Oak Lane Website. We've planted over 100 trees along our corridors and throughout the community, have beautified the area islands and bridges, and have helped to inspire a cleaning, greening and restoration movement in the neighborhood. We have reintroduced the annual Potluck Dinner and Oak Lane Day, and have added Garden Tours and Ghost Walks. We've held wonderful musical concerts and have hosted community programs and events in conjunction with our sister organizations: The Friends of the Oak Lane Library, the Oak Lane Presbyterian Church, Holy Trinity Catholic Church and the Korean

United Church. We've launched a Block Captain system for the neighborhood with monthly meetings. We've relaunched the East Oak Lane Town Watch and have developed a wonderful working relationship with Captain John McCloskey and Officer Ben Baynard, our Community Liaison, from the 35<sup>th</sup> District. As a result, **Crime in East Oak Lane is down 50%!** We are one of the only neighborhoods of the City where it is down- not up. Pretty exciting news, isn't it? It's so encouraging for us to not only continue, but to step up our efforts for strong and positive community development.

Bringing vision and passion to the table has been crucial to help get us to this point. As a re-elected Board Member, as the Chair of the Beautification Committee, and as a member of the Communications, Tree Tenders, Housing and Zoning and Historic Preservation Committees, I will continue to work for the betterment of East Oak Lane. OLCAA is growing as an organization of neighbors, and as a result I feel we now need a leader who can effectively navigate and organize the next chapter so we can best maintain our momentum- electing a new president will help us to keep our machine well oiled and properly functioning. I'm confident that whoever is chosen by the Board on June 20<sup>th</sup>, will demonstrate a commitment to East Oak Lane, and to the continuity of the

positive work we've all accomplished.

We now have wonderful newly elected Board Members, who will bring their fresh perspective and vision, their impressive talents, education and experiences, and will add to the strengths of the present and returning Board Members. Together, and with the continued support of the Committees and of East Oak Lane neighbors, we will keep the vision of a 'fully realized' community moving forward.

Warmest regards,  
Kelly McShain Tyree  
OLCAA President  
2005-2007

creative with flowers and shrubbery, with window boxes and planters. Do you enjoy a simple well-manicured lawn, or a cottage garden filled with a plethora of roses, dahlias, and hollyhocks? Whatever your pleasure- how wonderful to have fun expressing yourself, and at the same time, to create joy for those who are passing by. Enjoy this precious time with your family, friends and neighbors. Although each season in East Oak Lane brings its own beauty and adventure, this time of year is truly meant to be shared and treasured.

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## OLCAA AT WORK (Continued)

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### The Beautification Committee

By Kelly McShain Tyree

Summertime is here, and East Oak Lane has become green once again. This is truly when our neighborhood shines like few others in the City. Rarely do you find such amazing architecture combined with mature trees, beautiful gardens, and an abundance of open green space. We are truly blessed.

As we move outside, take a look at how neighbors are showcasing their homes and properties. It can be quite inspiring. We have an opportunity to be

◆ The Communications Committee published the East Oak Lane Paper and updated the East Oak Lane Website: [www.EastOakLane.org](http://www.EastOakLane.org)

◆ Continued to solicit for advertising to help send the paper out to the entire community. In order to receive the Paper in a timely fashion please mail your membership/ renewal dues to "OLCAA" PO Box 2926, Philadelphia, PA 19126.

## WISSAHICKON SCHIST (Continued)

the diversity of architectural styles of its buildings.



ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH, OAK LANE

A fine example of the use of Wissahickon Schist is St. Martin's Church (currently The Refuge Temple House of Prayer) at the corner of 10<sup>th</sup> Street & Oak Lane. In 1891, the Philadelphia architect, Harrison Albright, commissioned by Oak Lane founder T. Henry Asbury, built St. Martin Episcopal Church in the English gothic style using "native gray stone" – Wissahickon Schist. In 1903, architect, Isaac Pursell, built the matching English gothic rectory right next door to St. Martin Church with the same stone. St. Martin Church looks much the same today as it did when this photograph was taken in 1892.

Many significant homes and churches in East Oak Lane were built before the Depression in 1929. These older buildings have walls that are at least 18-inch thick. Today new stone houses are not really stone but cinderblock faced with 8-inch stone – if you are lucky! When East Oak

Lane was developed it was relatively inexpensive to quarry the stone and hire stonemasons to build all stone homes with 18-inch thick walls. Many of the stonemasons that built buildings in Chestnut Hill, Mount Airy, & East Oak Lane were first or second generation Italians from families of skilled masons.

Pete Marcolina of Marcolina Brothers comes from such a family and owns a working quarry. Four generations of his family have been stonemasons in the area since the late 1800s. His working quarry where you still can purchase Wissahickon Schist is at 1A Waverly Road, Glenside, and is called Chestnut Hill Stone Limited. (Quarry is currently owned by Herbert Lorenzon.) It has stockpiles of Wissahickon Schist stones and the stonemasons still carve great blocks using wedges and pickaxes. Marcolina has said: "The beauty of the stone is that when it is first quarried, you can literally carve it with a hatchet or saw. But when it becomes exposed to air, and oxidized, it gets hard as steel."

While Wissahickon Schist stonewalls are durable & strong, they can be damaged. Water can wear away stone or mortar. Mortar is the soft lime or cement based compound between the joints of stonewalls. Cracks in the stone or mortar can allow water into the stone. As water expands when it freezes,

it can lead to cracking of the stone. Salts in water can cause a white powdery residue on the surface of the stone. Ivy can slowly destroy stone construction by breaking mortar and allowing water to enter into the stone. When Wissahickon Schist stone needs repointing (i.e. the replacement or repair of the mortar joints between the stones), it is important to use the right mortar. East Oak Lane buildings built before 1929 used softer lime-based mortars and this type of mortar should be used. Modern mortars made of Portland cement can cause Wissahickon Schist to crack. Also be mindful to repoint the stone matching the color, texture and hardness of the original mortar. De Gruchy's Lime Works, a local lime works masonry restoration company, can help East Oak Laners select the correct mortar to repoint stonewalls and can advise on how to do the restoration of the Wissahickon Schist stonework. (Andrew deGruchy – email:

[begreen@limeworks.us](mailto:begreen@limeworks.us))

Wissahickon Schist that built the great buildings in Northwestern Philadelphia has been called Germantown Stone or Chestnut Hill Stone. As Philadelphia homes in the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century were pictured in magazines, the style of stonework became the ideal of country living. I would like to add to the names given to Wissahickon

Schist, Oak Lane Stone, after the amazing stone buildings that grace the avenues of East Oak Lane. Next time you pass by a stonewall whose shiny mica gleams like a diamond with tones of gray and blue, just tell yourself you are looking at our historic Oak Lane Stone.

## News from Urban Forest

By Charles Phillips

Oak Lane Tree Tenders will meet on **Wednesday, September 19** at Allegra Mucha's house, 6727 Lawnton Avenue at 7:30 pm. Agenda: Fall tree planting.

**Orders** are being taken **for trees** to be planted in March 2008. Trees are \$40 for homeowners. Call 215-924-1722.

This spring Oak Lane Tree Tenders **planted of 62 trees** in East Oak Lane and helped plant 5 in West Oak Lane. On March 24 18 trees were

planted, and 44 were planted on April 14 with help from LaSalle students and alumni. This brings the total to more than 360 since 1996.

In late October or early November approximately 66 trees will be planted.

Oak Lane Tree Tenders, committee of OLCAA, 6605 Lawnton Ave. Phila 215-924-1722.



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**If you have any questions please contact:**

Complete form and return with your check payable to Friends of Oak Lane Library

Joanne Balitzky - Membership

6342 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street Philadelphia, PA 19126

**OAK LANE COMMUNITY ACTION ASSOCIATION (OLCAA)  
MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Date Mailed: \_\_\_\_\_

(Full Membership for residents of, or own businesses located in, East Oak Lane;  
and will receive a free subscription to OLCAA's bimonthly newsletter.)

- New member
- Renewal

**Choose a membership category:**

- Individual \$15
- Family \$25
- Student \$ 6
  
- Senior (65+) \$ 6
- Business/Organization \$50
- Associate Non-Resident \$25

**Please call the Communications  
Committee to place an AD  
215-224-2777  
Option #2**



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- \$100-499 (Maple Club) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \$500+ (Oak Club) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
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Committees of OLCAA:**

- Beautification
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- Communications
- Education & Culture
- Historic Preservation
- Hospitality & Membership
- Housing & Zoning
- Oak Lane Tree Tenders
- Town Watch

**Membership Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Zip code:** \_\_\_\_\_

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