

Neighborhood Association Newsletter

West Highlands I

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Next Meeting

The next meeting will be July 25 at 6:30p.m. at the Zarrow Library. The following meeting will be Oct 24 at 6:30p.m.

Important Emails:

West Highlands I
 Neighborhood Association:

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 District Two City Council Rep: dist2@tulsacouncil.org

A Note from Rich Perkins, President

Hi Neighbors,

We are pleased to present the first West Highlands I newsletter for your enjoyment and information.

We have been working with W.O.R.T.H. to get a small area plan approved for West Tulsa. We were successful, with the City Council voting 9-0 in favor of the small area plan. The mayor attempted to send the Tulsa Hills Small Area Plan and funding to north Tulsa, but was unsuccessful in the end. He approved the plan and the money is in next years budget. There will be more information about this

money as we get closer to next year.

As you have noticed, the landscaping at the two entrances has been completed. While this part of the project is complete, it will be an on going project to maintain the flowers. We have received many positive comments on the addition to our neighborhood. A special thanks is needed for Bill and Linda Young, Hugh McCullough, Paul and Deborah Arnold, Margaret Hitchcock, and John and Deanne Fingerlin in helping to build and maintain the flower beds. Crime continues to be a concern in our area. We will

start to discuss changes in our next meeting that we can make to our neighborhood to try to be proactive in our fight against the crime in our community. We are open to suggestions and ideas on how to make these improvements. We are also looking at ideas on the internet. Please let us know your thoughts on this.

Rick Perkins

West Highlands I President

Important Numbers:

- Tulsa Sherriff: 918-596-5697
- Tulsa Police: 918-596-
- Crime Stoppers: 918-596-2677 (COPS)
- DVIS: 918-585-3143
- Mayor's Action Line: 918-596-2100

Membership Update

We are currently up to 53 households and 88 members. This is a fantastic start! We have grown so much over the last year. We ask you to talk to your neighbors that are not members and encourage them to become involved with the neighborhood association. The greater the number of members we have, the greater the impact that we can have upon our neighborhood,

community and surrounding areas. A stronger association will also allow us to have a larger voice in the continued expansion at Tulsa Hills and the West Side of Tulsa. This voice can be used to express our desires for the area, and not just what the City of Tulsa wants.



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Going on Vacation This Summer?

If you are going on vacation this summer, let a neighbor know! They can keep an eye on your house and help out with anything you might need. Let your neighbor know if there is anyone that should be stopping by. We need to look out for each other!



Crime Prevention Tips:

- Park your car in your garage, if you can't, be sure to lock the door and don't leave valuables in your car
- Lock your doors
- Install motion lights and keep the area around your house lit
- Consider installing an alarm system
- Keep the shrubs around your house trimmed, don't give a burglar a good hiding place
- If you walk early in the morning or later at night, walk with someone

A Note From the Treasurer, Liz

Hello Neighbors. I'm the current Treasurer and you will be hearing from me as I give updates at our meetings. It is inspiring to see the wonderful response in our neighborhood endeavor of getting our association established and going strong. There are so many positive aspects of having a strong and active association such as neighbors interacting more often, getting to know one another, sharing concerns and solutions. I do understand there are concerns that has kept some

neighbors from joining our association. I hope with time, the positive results will motivate all to not only join, but be active participants.

For now, I would like to encourage you whom may have interest in a special area and would like to contribute to the newsletter to contact the association. Articles such as a "Gardener's Corner" sharing information on gardening, landscaping, etc., "Cook's Kitchen" sharing recipes, etc. could be helpful. Also, if you have

specific interest in starting or attending social groups such as playing horseshoes, walking in the neighborhood or local parks, Bible study, etc. you can share your information for others to contact you.

I hope you are all enjoying this beautifully hot summer.

Liz Endicott, Treasurer

A Note From the Vice President, Hugh

I contacted the Mayor's Action Line last week about the status of the house that burned down last fall at 6443 S. Vancouver. I received a case number (653408) and was then transferred to Michael, the city inspector that has been assigned to the

I explained to him that the high winds had blown down the fence that the owner was ordered to erect due to safety issues. Michael stated that Adaman Sassan was suppose to be in the process of applying for a building permit. Michael then stated that he will keep in touch with Adaman and myself and that he will take any other action necessary action if Adaman does not act in a timely manner.

Hugh, Vice President

A Note From the Secretary, Katrina

I hope that you enjoy the first newsletter. Please take the time to read over it, there is a lot of information in it. If you have any ideas, comments, suggestions for what should go into the newsletter, please let us know! I look forward to the seeing the neighborhood association take off and becoming a force of change for our area.

Katrina

Neighborhood Improvements!

Over the past few months we have had a few activities to improve the looks of our neighborhood.

On April 16th, we had a clean up day. Several of the neighbors participated in the two hour event, where we picked up trash along Union Ave. It was a great turn out and we were able to get Union Ave. looking much bet-

ter

During the month of May, a few of the neighbors installed flower beds at each of the entrances to West Highlands I. These flower beds are a major improvement and help to make our neighborhood an inviting area. The cost of the project was just under \$400.00.

Email Address

We have an official email address for our association business, it is:

westhighlandsone@gmail.com

Please use this to email questions, comments, ideas or other information to the officers of the association.