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The Canyon North Neighborhood Association Mission Statement

To unite as neighbors to preserve
the safety, beauty and value
of our homes, property and families.



Don't Forget
Mother's Day
May 9

**Plan to attend the
CNNA Quarterly
Meeting
7 p.m. – Thursday
Apr. 22, 2004
Church of the Servant**



Message from the President:

Oklahoma, where the wind comes sweeping down the plains. . . was certainly the case during our recent CNNA garage sale! With over 30 of you participating in the sale, we hope it was profitable for you. As well, we hope it helped clean out things around the house. I know my garage is certainly much better off and I even managed to clean off my ever-cluttered workbench. We will have another sale in the fall.

We would like to thank Darin & Shannon Tedford and their Prudential Alliance Realty Group for sponsoring our sale. We had many visitors to Canyon North during the sale, which helps drive the point that keeping our neighborhood looking good is important. Those visitors could end up as your neighbor, so putting on a clean face for these sales is an important way to tell visitors that CN residents value their homes.

Perhaps we should all take a moment for a personal look at our property. If you were to list your house for sale tomorrow, would you be able to get the best price for it or would a coat of paint, a well-manicured yard, or mended fence help? Remember a CNNA membership will provide you with a discount coupon to our Home Depot on the highway. We want to help everyone keep property values up, and taking care of your own home is the best way to do this.

Becky Rickard, President



Memorial Day and July 4 are just around the corner. Let's show our patriotic spirit by flying the flag on these dates. The CNNA has U.S. flags & banner flags available for sale.

Call Becky Rickard at 721-9457 to purchase yours!

More Perimeter Clean Up

On May 1, we are going to have another small perimeter clean up on Rockwell. We have a few trees on that side that are apparently dead and we are going to rent equipment again to cut these trees down.



We need some manpower to do this. If you could volunteer only an hour of your time, it will really help make this task easier. Ask yourself if it's worth an hour of your time on a Saturday morning to help your neighborhood look a bit better! We simply do not have enough help during the clean ups to get everything done. The more help we have the quicker and easier the job.

If you can donate an hour, please meet at the Rockwell entrance at 9:00 on Saturday, May 1.

Your Tree Limbs Removed

Since we are doing the additional tree removal on May 1, we decided to take advantage of the pole and chain saw we are renting.



We have noticed that there are many trees throughout CN that still have broken limbs in them from the ice storms we've had over the past several years. If you have a broken limb you would like to have removed from your tree now is your chance to have that done and at a very reasonable rate. All you need to do is call Becky Rickard at 721-9457. It's a first come, first serve basis so don't hesitate to pick up the phone and call. We will only be able to do a limited amount of trimming.

Do you have to be a CNNA member to have your limb removed? The answer is NO! We want to help our neighborhood look better and we are offering this to any home in CN. All limbs will be cut and left on your curb for big trash pick up that



following Monday. What we ask is that you make a minimum of a \$15.00 donation to the association and that you be at home during the trimming to help. If you are not a CNNA member and you make a \$25 donation, you will get a membership through September. This will give you all of the benefits of the Home Depot discount coupon as well as other benefits of our membership. It is a win-win for everyone. Do not wait to call, as we will be limited based on time and labor available.

Silver Spade Award

On April 24, we awarded the first of our six Silver Spade Awards. We have many residents who take great pride in keeping their yards looking great and want to reward them for this. Their hard work helps Canyon North look better and this helps all of us. The award can be based not only on appearance but on improvement as well, if merited. Winners will get to proudly display the coveted Canyon North Silver Spade award in their front yard and they receive a nice prize to keep.



The April Silver Spade Award Winner is: **Hugh & Cathy Joy** **7608 Laurel Road**

Hugh and Cathy have a yard full of beautiful flowers and it certainly adds a lot to the appearance of their street. Be sure to congratulate on their award and thank them for making Canyon North look better.

If you notice a yard that you think should be nominated for the award, please contact any CNNA board member. **You must be a CNNA member in order to be eligible to win the award.**



It's not too late to join the CNNA. Dues help keep our perimeters mowed. If you like the way your neighborhood looks when it is mowed please join if you haven't.

Fly The Flag

We have American Flags available for sale. Please call either Nicole Miley at 603-6164 or Becky Rickard at 721-9457 to purchase your flag. We have them in stock and ready for delivery!



Prices are: \$16.00 - 3x5 flag with grommets
\$28.00 - 3x5 flag, banner pole & bracket
(We paid \$33.00 last year for the same set)

What's Coming in Canyon North

May 1 – Rockwell tree removal and trim your broken limb day.

May 31 – Memorial Day – Fly your flag!

June 26 – Adopt-A-Street Quarterly trash pick up on our perimeters.

July 3 – CN Patriotic Youth Parade & Ice Cream Social.

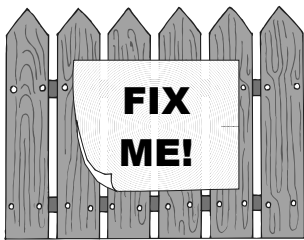
July 22 – Quarterly meeting (watch for special details on this meeting, it's going to be fun).

August 3 – National Night Out in Canyon North.

Last Saturdays – Newsletters delivered each month by the CNNA Junior Group.

Mending Fences

Almost every home in Canyon North has a fence. Most of them are growing old and are in much need of repair.



If this is the case for your fence, let the CNNA help. As a member, you have available to you a Home Depot discount coupon

that can help you save money on supplies if you choose to do the work yourself. If you need help finding a fence company to do the repairs we can make recommendations.

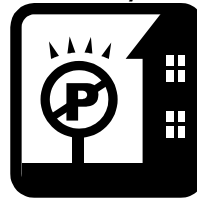
The city has codes that require property owners to keep their property in good maintenance. Examples, but not limited to: roof, paint and fence. If you are adding a fence or expanding what you currently have, you will need to call the city at 297-2525 to apply for a fence permit. Cost is \$20 and fines can be imposed. Be sure your fence contractor

has taken care of getting the permit if you are not doing the work yourself.

Take this time to not only mend fences literally but mend those fences that might have been broken with your neighbors if your fence is or has fallen down. What is behind your house is as important as what's in front. Fences affect your neighbor and when replacing them, talk to your neighbor and try to use the good neighbor rule of sharing the expense to do this.

Neighborly Reminders

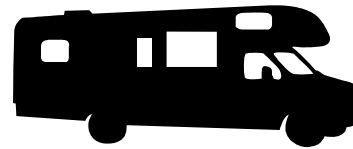
As everyone should know, our neighborhood like all others has Restrictions & Covenants that help us keep our neighborhood looking the way it should when it was originally planned.



We would like to remind everyone of one of the most abused clauses in our R&C's. Our Restrictions & Covenants state that no motor homes, trailers, campers or boats, should be parked



or stored between the building line of your home and the front property line of your lot, or the side property line if you are on a corner lot. The intent of this covenant is to prohibit the



parking or storage of any or all vehicles or equipment other than conventional passenger automobiles in operating condition.

Now that you are aware of this policy, we do not plan to disturb you if you have your boat or camper on the drive for an overnight clean up. Just be conscious that all of us know the policy and we do not want any neighbor to face penalties or fines from the city because they were unaware.

Remember, as a CNNA member we can provide you with discounts to self-storage units located on Hefner Road.

CNNA Officers & Section Chairmen

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To locate your section, visit our Web site at
www.neighborhoodlink.com/okc/canyonnorth

Prepare for Spring Storms



As we mentioned in our last newsletter, April and May bring stormy weather to Oklahoma. Be sure you have a safety plan for your family. Find out if any of your neighbors have storm shelters. It can save the life of you and your children. If your children are home alone in the late afternoons, be sure they know where the shelters are in case of a severe storm. If no shelter is close by, please show your children where they should go in case of bad weather. Better to be safe than very, very sorry later.

Want To Advertise Your Business?

Business card ads are available in the newsletter for a rate of \$10 per month, per ad. If you wish to put your business card in the newsletter, please get your card to Becky Rickard by the 15th of the month. You can call Becky at 721-9457 to make arrangements to deliver your card. You must be a CNNA member to place an ad.

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