



Canyon North Neighborhood Association Newsletter



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A Word From The President . . .

As we come to the end of our first year of reorganization, I can look back and honestly say that having a neighborhood association has really helped Canyon North take on a new appearance. We have accomplished many things in our first year and we're looking forward to a new year where we can keep our neighborhood on an upswing by continuing to educate all of us on city code and our Canyon North Restrictions and Covenants.

I am very pleased to announce that our Canyon North Juniors took top honors with the Youth Award at the recent Council of Neighborhoods 2003 Conference. This was the first year that a Youth Award was offered and our group won because they did something for their neighborhood that made a difference. We had 12 of our young people at the banquet and they were each presented with a certificate and free passes to Frontier City. I am extremely proud of each of these kids as they have given their time and energy each month delivering these newsletters. Without that we would not have had the valuable communication tool that has helped make the difference in Canyon North.

We are rapidly approaching our new year and with that will come renewal of membership along with our annual meeting on September 23, when we will elect officers and section chairmen. Our nominating committee is working on this endeavor and if there is anyone who would be interested in serving we would very much like to have you contact us. New ideas will help keep our momentum going. It truly is not that time consuming and it basically requires attending a board meeting once a month for about one to two hours. Please contact any officer or your section chairman if you are interested.

By now, you should have noticed that our new Neighborhood Watch signs have been mounted throughout our main thoroughfares. We continue to work towards keeping CN a safe place for all of us to live. The average price per square foot of home value continues to go up placing us above Lansbrook, Bluff Creek, and Eagle Lake. Are we maintaining the goals stated in our mission statement? I think we are, and we will continue to do so, as your board is dedicated to this statement and


we hope you as a Canyon North resident will accept it as your own goal.

We look forward to seeing many new faces at our annual meeting. Please plan to attend, as we'll have some nice door prizes to give away, refreshments and a full report on how we've done during our first year. ➤

Becky Rickard, President

CNNA Annual Meeting & Elections 7 p.m. Sept. 23

The Canyon North Neighborhood Association Mission Statement

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

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Mark Your Calendars
CNNA Annual Meeting
7 p.m. – Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2003
Church of the Servant



Annual Elections

It's hard to believe but we've come to the end of our first year and it's time to re-elect officers and section chairmen.



Our nominating committee is putting the slate together and if there is anyone who would be willing to give an hour or two each month to help keep CN a great place to live, we need you!

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 23 at the Church of the Servant., 14343 N. MacArthur. We'll elect our officers, give away some door prizes, have refreshments and give an update on our association and some of the important issues we'll be addressing this coming year such as a stoplight at Rockwell and Talbot and street resurfacing. We'd also like to know if there are any issues you'd like to address. By attending this one meeting your voice will be heard and we will make note of all suggestions as goals for our coming year. ➤

7 p.m., Sept. 23, Church of the Servant

Neighborhood Garage Sale. .

Do you need to rope in some extra money? Our first neighborhood garage sale is coming up rapidly. The sale will run on Fri. & Sat., Oct. 3 & 4.



Darin and Shannon Tedford and the Prudential real estate group are sponsoring the sale. You need to call and

let the Tedfords know that you want to participate. Their number is 720-6501. They will see that ads get placed in the newspaper and that signs are put up at the CN entrances. You may have your sale on both days or just Sat. If you would like to participate in the sale, you will need to apply and pay for a garage sale license with the city. You can do this by calling the License Division at 297-2606 for a "paperless permit." Instead of a paper form, you get a permit number over the phone to post at your sale. The cost is only \$5 and if your City utility account is in good standing, the City will add the charge to your next bill.

If you don't want to have a sale yourself, please donate some items to our CNNA sale. All proceeds from that sale will go to the CNNA budget. We've even heard rumors that our Juniors want to have a sale for their group. They think they can outdo the grown ups! If you have items to donate, please contact Becky Rickard at 721-9457. Save some of that big trash stuff this month and donate it to the sale.

CN Juniors are #1

As was mentioned in our president's column, the CN Juniors were the recipients of the first annual Youth Award that was presented by the Oklahoma City Council of Neighborhoods at their annual Conference on Aug. 15 & 16. Five of our board members accompanied 12 of our youth to the conference. The award was presented in front of an audience of about 200 people during the awards banquet. Attendees came from neighborhoods from across the state of Oklahoma. Our CN youth have made a difference in our neighborhood. Our juniors honored that night were Jonathon and Lindsay Walker, Tarrant and Alec Omohundro, Megan, Devon and EmiLee Hess, Kayleigh Burns, Kamber Broadhead, Katie Cawthon, Lucas Kong, and Devin Miley.

CN Juniors have spent many an hour walking from house to house delivering the newsletters and as their reward, we gave them a great party on Aug. 10. There were 15 CN juniors who attended the party that was held at Heritage Lanes Bowling Alley. We had two hours of Cosmic bowling and each junior with hours of service got to pick a prize all the way from CD players to autographed photos of Mat Hoffman of X Game biking fame. Our juniors range in age from 5-15. Don't be left out this coming year. We want all Canyon North youth to participate. You don't have to be an association member; you just need to be a youth who wants to join in on some fun right in his or her own neighborhood. ➤

Refreshments Elections Neighborhood Info

7 p.m. • Sept. 23 • Church of the Servant
Canyon North Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting

Friends of Canyon North. . . .

Throughout the year, there have been many people, other than your board of directors, who have helped make our first year a success. Without their help, we would not have been able to accomplish all that we have. We'd like to recognize each of them in this



THANK YOU

newsletter and we hope that you will show your support by shopping at these local merchants or thanking them if they're your neighbor.

Home Depot, Kwik Kar Lube & Tune, Red Carpet Car Wash, Sonic, America's Drive-In, Homeland, Westlake Ace Hardware, OKC Police Department, Neighborhood Alliance, Council of Neighborhoods, Church of the Servant, Wiley Post Elementary School, OKC Arts Council, Holiday International, Mary's Maid Service, Cooper's Nursery & Garden Center, Five Star Lawn Care, City Councilman Mick Cornett, Sharonita's Specialties, Pro Lawns of Oklahoma, Creative Curbside House Numbers, Putnam North Animal Hospital, Terminix, AXA Financial Advisors, Flowerama, Darin & Shannon Tedford, Warner Bailey, O'Connor's Lawn and Garden Center, The Silver Monkey, Ignacio Pallisides Mowing Service, Teena Dunn and finally, The Community Action Agency.

All of those listed have either given the CNNA discounts or donated items or services for our events throughout the year. We are very thankful to all of them, as they've each played a role in making our neighborhood a great place to live.

We also thank those who have served on our board giving their time and guidance and other CN residents who have volunteered their help with perimeter clean ups and committee work.

Who Let The Dogs Out

by: Nicole Miley

On August 16th I attended the Oklahoma Neighborhood Conference sponsored by the Council of Neighborhoods and attended several

seminars. I would like to share with you some of the things I learned. One seminar was presented by animal control and wildlife expert Toni Canady. When most of us think of animal control we think of the dog catcher, but there is much more to it than that, not to mention many city and state laws that most of us don't know about. For instance, did you know that it is illegal to kill any animal, wild or domestic, except for three types of birds in Oklahoma? This includes, skunks, snakes, opossums and rodents. The only exception is if your life or the life of others is in danger. Another interesting tidbit is that opossums are attracted to dog food. If you feed your dogs outside and leave the remnants on your porch, you are inviting opossums into your yard. Many of you might think, since we live in the city, there are not going to be any wild animals, especially opossums in our neighborhood. Well, think again. We are not that far from the lake, the creek with a small amount of wooded area or Martin Nature Park. Plus there are still some empty fields around us. I know I've found a 2-foot snake, two turtles and numerous toads in my bushes and back yard. I also know of a neighbor who has seen an opossum in her yard on numerous occasions this summer.

Toni also reminded us that there is a leash law in the city limits and you can be fined if your dog is running wild. If animal control is called for a loose dog, they will seize it, take it to the shelter and you will be charged \$35 a day until you pick your dog up. Keep in mind too that you are required by law to have your animals vaccinated for rabies every year. She also gave us some helpful numbers in case you need to report a loose dog, pesky wildlife or if you have questions about wildlife. The Game Warden at the Wildlife Department is David Warren and can be reached at 405-521-3855. Kim Rayno is the wildlife contact at the Health Department and can be reached at 405-271-5600. One more thing to keep in mind, if you have standing water anywhere in your yard, a bird bath, kiddie pool, or low lying area, buy a mosquito disk which can be found in most garden centers and toss it into the water. This will kill any larvae and prevent the spread of disease such as West Nile. ➤

CNNA Officers & Section Chairmen

Becky Rickard, President	721-9457
John Paschal, Vice President	722-5225
Nicole Miley, Sec./Treasurer	603-6164
Trudie Burns, Section 1	722-2818
Gagelene Tyree, Section 2	773-4109
Nicole Omohundro, Section 3	773-7438
Jim/Ana Johnson, Section 4	773-5229
Sharon Panick, Section 5	722-8877
Stamatis Hondronastas, Section 6	728-2442

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

CN Babysitters Club. .

Do you need a babysitter? Here's a list of Canyon North youth who are available to baby sit your children. Give them a call, they're waiting to hear from you.

Chelsea Shelfey	621-5715
Rachel Liotine	728-3317
Kati Liotine	728-3317
Julie Funderburg	722-8309
Rachel Funderburg	722-8309

CNNA Silver Spade Award. . .

The July winner of the Silver Spade Award was Ray and Chris Bitsche who live at 6804 Blue Spruce Ct. The Bitsches not only got to proudly display the Silver Spade Award for the month, but they also received a nice lawn ornament courtesy of the Silver Monkey located at 8450 NW Expressway. Our thanks go to them for their donation. Ray and Chris worked hard keeping their lawn beautiful all summer. Be sure to tell them how great it looks.



The August Silver Spade Award Winner is **Jeanne Craig** **10512 White Oak Canyon Rd.**

Jeanne's yard is full of beautiful and colorful flowers. She's always out watering and keeping it looking great. If you drive by, you're sure to see her out there working on it, be sure to thank her for helping make Canyon North a great place to live! Congratulations Jeanne.

The Silver Spade award is presented the last Saturday of each month, right after the monthly newsletter is

delivered. The winner for the month will be listed in that newsletter. If you notice a yard that you feel should be nominated for the Silver Spade Award, please call Gagelene Tyree or Lori Bozarth, our Beautification Committee Chairpersons, at 773-4109. Winners must be CNNA members.

Newsletter Ads Available . . .

Business card ads are available in the newsletter to CNNA members for a rate of \$10 per month, per ad. 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. Payment for your ad will be due upon delivery of your card. If you are a local merchant and would like to place your card in the newsletter, please contact Becky for rates. They're very reasonable.



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