

# Canyon North Neighborhood Association Newsletter



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#### A Word From The President . . .

A new start is always something to which we look forward. The board of directors of CNNA is pleased that you, our neighbors, are rising to the call to join us in our efforts to make Canyon North an even better place to live.

During this past month, our Section Chairmen and their representatives have gone through the neighborhood distributing membership applications, Covenants and Restrictions and a



list of benefits of joining the CNNA. We have found that all of us have the same common desire to preserve our property values and create a sense of security in our homes and on our streets.

I have personally delivered all of the new membership packets to those of you who have joined, and I have truly enjoyed meeting our new members and sharing some time finding out what great neighbors we have here in Canyon North.

I urge those of you who have not yet taken a moment to read the information delivered to you, to please take 5 minutes to read it, fill out your membership application and mail it to us. If you have misplaced it, you will find one on the last page of this newsletter. Your Section Chairman or any association officer will be happy to answer any questions or concerns you might have. But, to make CN better, we need to hear from you. We want to know what you think it would take to make our neighborhood better and safer.

As you read through this first newsletter, you'll find that we're bringing back our Holiday Decorating Contest as well as a new special evening of holiday fun for the family. We hope to have the same great spirit and

enthusiasm as we had in past years with holiday activities.

I wish each of you a very Happy Thanksgiving. Here's to a new start for the Canyon North Neighborhood Association. ☆

Becky Rickard, President



# 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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CANYON NORTH
A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE!



# HO, HO, HO . . It's Holiday Decorating Time!

With the holidays upon us, it's time for Canyon North residents to go all out for the renewal of the Holiday Decorating Contest. In years past, Canyon North has provided some of the greatest decorations in our area. It's time to do it again, only bigger and better than ever before.

We'll present great prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners. We'll even give out a few honorable mentions! The contest will be judged by a group of unbiased professional holiday decoration judges. (Didn't know that there were people who did that did you?)

The judging will start at 7 p.m. on Saturday, December 14. So let's do it! Let's show northwest OKC that Canyon North is in the holiday spirit. Award winners will have signs placed in their yards and winners will be contacted by Santa's CNNA helpers.

By the way, did we mention you have to be a CNNA member in order to win the holiday decorating contest?

## Santa to Visit Canyon North

Canyon North's very own Candy
Cane Castle on Friday,
December 13, starting at 6:30
p.m. For \$5.00 per picture, you
can have your picture made
with Santa. You can have your

choice of Polaroid or digital disk format. Candy Cane Castle will be located at 6813 Blue Spruce Court. Debbie Cawthon, CNNA's Secretary, has provided the residents of CN this wonderful display for the past several years. As always, she is providing real candy canes for the kids to enjoy! Proceeds from the event will be split between the CNNA and St. Jude's Children's Hospital. This promises to be a wonderful evening of

family fun and holiday memories. Mark your holiday calendar now, because Santa will only be there one night!

# WARNING! Did you know there

**are maniacs on CN streets?** Yes, it's unfortunate but true. This has been a problem in our neighborhood for years. The CNNA wants to do something about it, but we need your help to stop these maniacs. Here's a real account of a direct confrontation with one of these maniacs. In order to protect the identity of our informant, her real name will not be used. We'll call her Susie.

Susie - "One evening I was out taking my usual evening walk around Canyon North and as I came towards the intersection on my street, this car came flying around the corner and nearly hit me. Honestly, the car had to have been going at least 30 mph. It scared me so badly that I had to sit down on the curb just to let my adrenaline level drop."

CNNA - "Did you get a look at the driver?"

Susie - "Well, yes, I did! Just after I screamed 'Look Out you MANIAC', I realized that it was well . . . my husband. Needless to say, when I realized that my husband was driving like a maniac in our own neighborhood, I took the keys away from him for a week."



How many of us are guilty of the above crime? The speed limit in our neighborhood is 25 mph. We can have the police come out here and sit and hide just to give ourselves tickets, but is that really what we want to do? There are speeders going through our

streets daily and 99% of them are CN residents.

Let's not embarrass ourselves by watching each other speed through our neighborhood.

### →→→CORRECTION NOTICE←←←

Please note that an error was made in the benefits description for our discount at the Red Carpet Car Wash on Hefner Road. It was written in the membership packets that the discount was \$2.00 off the Red Carpet Special. It should have been \$1.00 off. Please be sure that your family members are made aware of this error. We are sorry for any inconvenience this might have caused.

#### **A Neighborhood Watch Tip**

by: John Paschal, Vice President

A good neighborhood watch system is more than just patrolling the streets every day in a car or truck. Although we will soon have this element in place, we'd like to ask all CN residents to participate in being the Eyes of the



Neighborhood Watch. Exactly what does this mean? It means that if every house in the neighborhood keeps an eye on just five houses - the one on either side of your house and the three houses across the street - our neighborhood would be safer.

So, if we put a sign prominently at each entrance that says the Eyes of the CNNA Neighborhood Watch are Upon You, that's exactly what we want the unwanted criminal to know.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with the CNNA Security Watch, please contact me at 722-5225.

#### **CNNA Officers & Section Chairmen**

Becky Rickard, President	721-9457
John Paschal, Vice President	722-5225
Nicole Miley, Treasurer	603-6164
Debbie Cawthon, Secretary	720-8484
Trudie Burns, Section 1	722-2818
Laura Bazzell, Section 1 co-chair	621-5715
Gagelene Tyree, Section 2	773-4109
Jim Thomas, Section 3	721-8952
Jim Johnson, Section 4	773-5229
Sharon Panick, Section 5	722-8877
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#### The CNNA Web Site

Through the courtesy of OG&E, every neighborhood association in the state has Internet access to Neighborhood Link. This is a Web site, where any neighborhood can set up their own Web site for FREE.



We have asked fellow CNNA member, Chris Gaylord, to be our Webmaster. He is working on the site, and it's up and running. We'll be adding information throughout the set up

period. It's a great site and offers lots of valuable information. There's even a place where you can add you own personalized family Web page. Let your children get creative and help you set up your family page. The link you need to enter is <a href="https://www.neighborhoodlink.com/okc/canyonnorth">www.neighborhoodlink.com/okc/canyonnorth</a>. Let us know how you like it and send us your suggestions. A

#### Extra! Extra! CNNA's Next

#### **Neighborhood Meeting.....**

Our next full neighborhood meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on January 21, 2003. (January 28<sup>th</sup> will be a back up date in case of bad weather.) The meeting will be held in the cafeteria at Wiley Post Elementary School located at 6920 W. Britton Rd. Please join us to start off the new year with discussion about our Spring Clean-Up, Yard of the Month, perimeter mowing and front entrance beautification. We'll also discuss the formation of our committees. Suggestions are Security Watch, Beautification and Membership/Welcome committees. You can't have a voice in the decisions of the CNNA unless you attend these meetings and offer your suggestions. \$\frac{1}{2}\$

#### Why Should I Join CNNA?

by: Nicole Miley, Treasurer

One of the best reasons to join CNNA is because it will help YOU! As a group, we will be able to help preserve our property values and establish a more secure place to live. We've already provided many tangible benefits that come with your membership the Home Depot discount coupon and the vehicle identification decals which not only provide a security measure but also gives some other great discounts at a few of our local merchants. If these benefits work for us, then we'll work even harder next year to provide even more advantages to belonging to the CNNA. What a great deal! With a minimal \$25 investment, you can not only live in a better neighborhood but actually have opportunity to get your money back through the discounts offered.

During our first month of the membership drive, we have had a great response. We still have new memberships coming in daily. Let's keep the momentum going. If you haven't joined yet, please fill out the membership application on the back of your newsletter and send it in with your payment. Your benefits will start as soon as you get your membership packet - usually within 10 days of receiving your payment.

# Treasurer's Report – October 31, 2002 <u>Income:</u>

39 members @ \$25.00		\$975.00
Expenses:		
P.O. Box	\$36.00	
Office Supplies	\$54.58	
Incorporation Fees	\$25.00	
Total Expenses		\$115.58
Balance as of 10-31-	02	\$859.42

(At the printing of this newsletter our membership has already increased to 73 members.)

## Canyon North Neighborhood Association Membership Application

## PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name: First:	Last:	
Spouse/Significant	Other/Roommate Name:	
Are you: Married	Single □ Divorced □ Widowed	
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Townhouse Village as		and Restrictions of the Canyon North Addition/White Oak on. A copy of which has been provided to me by the Board
I also agree to the mis	ssion statement as set forth by the CNNA.  To unite as neighbors to pre  and value of our homes,	eserve the safety, beauty
Signature:		
Date:		
CNNA Use Only: Paid by Check □	Cash □ Date Received:	