

MILLER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

NW 10th Street to NW 16th, N May Ave to Villa



The Miller Messenger

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Miller Mission: To make Miller a safe and pleasant place to live

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**Miller Neighborhood Association Meeting is April 7th
at 7 pm at the World Organization of China Painters
Museum at 2641 N.W. 10th.**

Miller Home Tour 2008

The home tour is fast approaching, and we still need more houses. To date there are only two houses on the tour and two gardens. Remember, this is Miller's biggest fund raiser and those funds go towards making Miller a better place to live.

If you or someone you know is interested in being on the tour, please contact Kellie Zaragoza at 863-3007 or by email at kelliezaragoza020704@yahoo.com.

FYI: Thursday March 20th, 6:30 PM at the General Pershing Center (2400 General Pershing Blvd) MSgt. Loruse will be conducting a training on volunteer security patrols for neighborhoods. Call him at 316-4525 for details.

APRIL CALENDAR

01 April Fool's Day

07 Miller Mtg.

12 Miller Playgroup

24 Miller Board Mtg.

26 OKC Litter Blitz

SAVE THE DATE

Miller In May

May 17th

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Non Emergency Police #..231-2121

Police Liaison :

MSgt. Michael Loruse.....316-4525

Gang Unit.....297-1196

Street Level Drugs Info....297-1171

Action Center..... 297-2535

okc.gov/action/complaint

Animal Control.....297-2255

Animal Welfare.....297-3100

Trash/Recycle.....297-1950

Crime Stoppers.....297-7300

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OKC LitterBlitz

Miller Neighborhood will be participating in this year's OKC LitterBlitz on April 26th from 10:00AM- 2:00PM.

Lunch will be served at the Miller Park (2804 NW 13th St) at 12 noon for all participants. Trash bags and gloves will be provided by the city.

Let's clean up our neighborhood so it shines for the Miller in May tour. Can we do it? YES WE CAN!

UPDATES AND REMINDERS

- The Miller Neighborhood Association Meeting is April 7th at 7 pm. This month's speaker is
- Thank you to everyone who has sent in their membership applications and surveys. Need a new application or survey? Call Mr. Jimmy Vaughn, Chair of Membership, and he will be more than happy to assist you. His number is 948-0308.
- The next neighborhood clean-up is Saturday, May 10. It will be a very important one as it is before Miller in May, please plan to participate in whatever way you can.
- Miller Neighborhood will begin contracting with BPS Security to provide coverage a few times per week. The cost must be offset by individual donations. Some home insurance and renters insurance companies may offer discounts to residents participating in the program. **We are asking for \$20 per month, personal perks will be included for those paying.** However if you cannot afford it you can volunteer to patrol on the evenings BPS is unavailable. **See page 4 for more information and the payment slip.**
- Want to join the Miller playgroup? Call Barb Reid at 602-5420. Playgroup meets every other Saturday.

Letter from the President.....

Hello Neighbors!



Work has begun on the NW 12th to NW 16th and Miller Project. The water lines have been installed along with the water hydrants. We will need some volunteers to water trees when we get them. The next step is installing electricity to the Gazebo. This should begin shortly. More excitement for Miller Neighborhood.

LitterBlitz: April 2008 will be held in Miller on Saturday, April 26th this year. We will be picking up litter throughout the neighborhood from 10:00AM to 2:00 PM. Lunch will be served at Miller Park (2804 NW 13th St) at noon. Trash bags and gloves will be provided. Please come out and help, even if only for a short time. If you have any questions please call me at 948-8747.

Be sure to attend the April 7th Miller Neighborhood Association Meeting. Our guest speaker is Iyla Griffin, Urban Forestry Coordinator. See page 4 for her bio and page 5 for information about her program and what it can and will do for Miller. She promises information galore. Think Green!

Sincerely,

Bruce Hall, President

Miller Neighborhood Association

Three Easy Ways to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle:

1. **Use your "little blue" recycling bin** for all paper, plastics (marked 1-7), aluminum/tin cans, and glass bottles and jars. Don't have a recycling bin? Call 297-2833 to get one.
2. **Stop unwanted credit card applications.** Call 1-888-5-OPT OUT to take your name/family off the list and save a few trees (and reduce your risk of identity theft).
3. **Buy a re-usable water bottle and use filtered water from your tap** instead of purchasing disposable, pre-filled bottles. It takes 3 liters of unfiltered water to fill a ONE liter disposable bottle of water.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU.....

Iyla Griffin lives and works in Oklahoma City. She is pursuing her Master's Degree in Landscape Architecture at the University of Oklahoma and is currently working as an Urban Forestry Coordinator for the City of Oklahoma City. A community minded person, she is interested in sustainable landscape practices, community gardens and riparian areas.

As Urban Forestry Coordinator, she is working with Oklahoma City residents in the NeighborWoods Program to promote and plant trees in low to moderate income areas. At the next Miller Neighborhood Association, she will be speaking about the newest NeighborWood's project in the Miller Neighborhood!

Miller Neighborhood Association Security Patrol

Miller has contracted with BPS Security to provide professional security throughout the neighborhood. We have worked out a price with them of \$20 for 1 hour per month. We are asking for our members to sponsor 1 hour a month.

For your hour sponsorship, we give your address to BPS and if you are ever out of town you can have them personally pick up your mail and walk the perimeter of your property to ensure all your windows and doors are secure. Our goal is to sign up 100 sponsors. Please fill out the form below and/or contact Steve Reid to sign up!

Miller Neighborhood Association Security Patrol Participation

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Monthly \$20____ Quarterly \$60____ Semiannually \$120____ Annually \$240 ____

Make your check out to "Miller Neighborhood Association" and send with this slip to:
Steve Reid

2700 N.W. 11
Oklahoma City, OK 73107

Miller's Crime Watch program is working to keep Miller a safe place to live.

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REPORT FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR: APRIL 2008

MNA Members:

MNA welcomes **Clear Drinks Property Management** as a new member for 2008. Clear Drinks Property owns rental property within MNA boundaries. We are proud of those property owners and/or property managers who live outside the boundaries of MNA but wish to support our efforts to maintain a safe, healthy, and pretty community. This benefits their property interest and attracts new residents to the area! We also welcome 5 new first-time members. What happened to the 83 members from 2007 that have not renewed? We miss you.

Some neighbors are calling in the names of their rental neighbors so that I can add the names to the Disaster Plan. I appreciate this more than you know. Should I already have the name, we can still have a lively conversation.

If you have reached the age of 85 or better, please let me know so that I can give you a free membership in MNA. This is something that the Board of Directors wishes to do just for you!

For the first time in two years, there are more male MNA members than females. Well, it is nothing to brag about for it is only 49 to 48. Of this number, 4 females and 4 males live outside of MNA. So if you are interested in your gender making a greater difference, there is no waiting line to submit your application, whether it be a renewal or a new membership.

This is our 25th MNA Anniversary year, we would really like for those people who moved into our neighborhood in the year 1983 to become members so you can receive recognition in 25th Anniversary Directory. If you moved in before 1983, you might want to send in your membership application for we also list our MNA Pioneers and Settlers.

Spanish-speaking residents, if you currently are not a member, please fill out the Spanish application in the newsletter (for those of you who know some of our Spanish speaking residents, please pass this message along). This is the last month the Spanish application will be printed. Please use this special application so that Barb Reid, our translator, will be believe me the next time I tell her something "is definitely" worthwhile.

Please e-mail me at jimmy4nonprofit@sbcglobal or give me a call at the office, 948-0308, if you have membership questions or concerns. I will either give you a direct answer or will find the answer if I need to.

Jimmy Vaughn
Membership Chair



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PLANNING DEPARTMENT



Congratulations!

Contingent upon business sponsorship, the Miller Neighborhood will be the next NeighborWoods project. NeighborWoods is a program which facilitates Urban Tree Planting through community Partnerships. The following list shows the general NeighborWoods process and provides an overview of what to expect over the next 4-6 weeks, pending finalization of sponsorship.

PROCESS OVERVIEW FOR THE MILLER NEIGHBORHOOD

1. Letters are mailed to residents within the Miller neighborhood offering the program.
2. Residents choosing to participate in the NeighborWoods Program will agree to attend a tree care workshop and to maintain their free NeighborWoods tree by signing and returning the reply card.
3. Neighborhood residents are encouraged to volunteer as *Tree Tenders*, who are residents that receive special training in tree care, pruning and maintenance. The Tree Tenders serve as resources for residents in the neighborhood who may have questions regarding their trees.
4. Once reply cards are received, the NeighborWoods Coordinator orders trees and schedules planting dates. Tree species are subject to nursery availability. All species planted will be Oklahoma hardy.
5. A celebration (date to be announced) will be held in conjunction with Arbor Week (March 24th-28th) at a local school or other neighborhood facility where a ceremonial tree planting will take place. Tree care and maintenance workshops will be held at this event.
6. The NeighborWoods Coordinator will contact *Call Okie* to mark utilities in the yards of participating residents prior to planting.
7. Trees are professionally planted in the front yard of participating residents during the first few weeks of April 2008. Tree species and location are carefully selected by the landscape professional for each home site. The resident becomes the caretaker of the tree and is responsible for its watering and maintenance.
8. 30 days after planting a "Thank You" and watering reminder is sent to all participants.
9. After one complete growing season a drive-by survival survey is completed.

For more information contact:
Iyla Griffin, Urban Forestry Coordinator
iyla.griffin@okc.gov
405-297-2283

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Por favor, complete y separe la calidad de miembro de MNA y lo manda y un cheque a:

Mike Stuart, MNA Tesoro

1221 N. Miller

OKC, OK 73107

(Calidad de Miembro es para Enero por Diciembre)

LA ASOCIACIÓN DEL VECINDARIO DE MILLER 2008 CALIDAD DE MIEMBRO

_____ Este es mi renovación _____ Yo soy un miembro nuevo

Please print

(1) NOMBRE _____

(2) NOMBRE _____

DIRECCIÓN _____ Zip, si no 73107 _____

TELÉFONO (Casa) _____ (Cell) _____

E-Mail _____

Año cuando movió al vecindario de Miller _____

Cheque uno de los categorías de miembro:

_____ \$20.00 Individuo (un nombre)

_____ \$20.00 Business (vive a fuera de Miller)

_____ \$30.00 Negocio una pareja (lista dos nombres)

_____ \$45.00 Agente (lista el nombre del agente)

_____ Centennial Diamond- Miembro Especial (gratis- - 85 años o más)

Por favor, cheque uno y incluye la cantidad de la donación:

\$ _____ Fiesta de Cinco de Mayo

\$ _____ Fundo General

\$ _____ Embellecían del avenida Miller (provenir agua para árboles, arbustos, etc.)

\$ _____ Prevención de Crimen

\$ _____ El Parque de Miller

\$ _____ Cualquiera

\$ _____ Total

Los Donativos Son Voluntarios-donations and membership fees are tax deductible to the extent provided in the IRS Code. MNA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, EIN 73-1317159. The entire amount of your donation is used to make Miller community a safer, more beautiful place to live, and the friendliest community of all. Watch your donated money help make the difference in MNA!