#### MILLER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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

# The Miller Messenger

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

www.neighborhoodlink.com/okc/miller www.millerneighborhood.org

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## JUNE CALENDAR

**02 MNA Meeting 07 Miller Playgroup 11 Big Junk Day** 14 Miller Garage Sale 15 Father's Day **21 Miller Playgroup** 26 MNA Board Mtg

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This Messenger is a Special Edition with a focus on neighborhood updates and activities for June and information for our renters in the neighborhood.



# WE LOVE A PARADE



Miller is hosting our First Annual Community 4th of July Parade this year. It will be held at

10 AM on July 4th. Start thinking of what you can decorate or ways you can decorate to join in the festivities! A potluck lunch/watermelon feast will be held afterwards.

The Parade Committee will present at the June MNA Meet-

ing. Be sure to attend for it is the only one before the parade starts. If you have a musical group that would like to entertain at the Gazebo sometime during the day, call and let's arrange. Contact Jimmy Vaughn, 948-0308 or Barb Reid at 602-5420.

Miller In May Was A Hit!	
and her team did an awesome job coordinating the event. A HUGE Thank	
You to all our sponsors and advertisers.	

## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Non Emergency Police #231-2121
Police Liaison:
MSgt. Michael Loruse <b>316-4525</b>
Gang Unit297-1196
Street Level Drugs Info297-1171
Action Center 297-2535
okc.gov/action/complaint
Animal Control297-2255
Animal Welfare297-3100
Trash/Recycle297-1950
Crime Stoppers297-7300
Councilwoman
Ann Simank <b>297-2402</b>

## MNA Committees

#### Website Coordinators www.neighborhoodlink.com/okc/miller Delaney Sheffield ......524-2995 www.millerneighborhood.org Membership Jimmy Vaughn......948-0308 **Park Maintenance Grant Writing** Melissa Freeling......370-2143 **Block Captains** Lisa Tompkins......528-3114 Welcome Committee Melissa Hawley......306-5348 gardengirlforever@yahoo.com **Neighborhood Watch** Eric Hilburn......326-0607 **Newsletter Editor** Alicia Lincoln......945-2230 sciguy35@yahoo.com

### IS YOUR NAME ON THE MNA DISASTER PREPARED-NESS LIST?

Miller Association is not planning on having a disaster and we certainly hope that there is never one. However, if there should be, it is too late to plan after the fact. SO, **MNA needs your name, contact information and a list of any special needs you have, just in case**.

Home owners names can be obtained from the County Assessor's files. **Renters? No source is available! We must depend upon you, the renter or new home owner, to provide us your name.** This chart is maintained by Membership VP, Jimmy Vaughn, 2632 NW 12th St. Call 948-0308 or 524-0305 if you think your info is missing.

It is very important to know our neighbors names, to watch their property when they are absent and ask them to watch our property when we are gone. It is possible that if we each introduced ourselves to our next door neighbors, we would all know everyone in Miller. Wouldn't that be nice?

# **UPDATES AND REMINDERS**

• The Miller Neighborhood Association Meeting is June 2nd at 7 pm at the World Organization of China Painters Museum at 2641 N.W. 10th. MSgt. Michael Loruse, OKC Police Department, will be the guest speaker.

• Training on **keeping the community area free from unauthorized signs** will be held at the OKC Council Chamber, June 3rd, 5th, 10th or 12th, 2 hours each evening. If you are interested call Bruce Hall to sign up at 948-8747.

• Miller Neighborhood will begin contracting with BPS Security to provide coverage a few times per week. See page 4 for more information and the payment slip.

• **Please fill out a membership application** if you have not, see page 8. <u>ALL</u> Miller Neighbors are needed.

• Want to join the Miller playgroup? Call Barb Reid at 602-5420. Playgroup meets every other Saturday.

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# Miller Garage Sale Saturday June 14th

To join with your neighbors for this annual event call the OKC license division at 297-2606 for a paperless permit. They will give you a number over the phone and add the charge to your water bill. Post the number on a sign at your sale.

Or you can download an application and send a check: www.okc.gov. **The permit costs \$7.00 and is good for 3 CONSECUTIVE days.** <u>Permits (or</u> <u>numbers) must be in plain view during</u> <u>your sale.</u> You can sell from Thurs-Sat or Fri-Sun to be in the Miller Sale.

## HERE'S WHAT MILLER WILL DO FOR YOU:

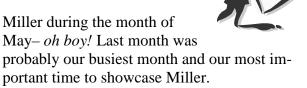
MNA will pay for advertising for one day, Saturday June 14th, furnish a list of garage sales in the neighborhood for shoppers and provide a sign to put in your yard on the day of the sale.

Call Bruce Hall at 948-8747 to get put on the list and get a yard sign.

**DEADLINE** to be on the list is Saturday JUNE 7th!

# Letter from the President:

Hello Neighbors!



I would like to personally thank all the people who volunteered during this year's Litter Blitz, and those who participated in the other scheduled clean-ups . A few highlights from their work are our clean neighborhood, the beautiful planting beds throughout, and the new entrance signs celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Miller Neighborhood Association.

I would also like to thank everyone who helped with Miller in May– the home owners who graciously allowed us into their homes; the coordinator, Kellie Zaragoza and her time and commitment to this great fundraiser and showcase for Miller; the planning committee; the volunteers; and our wonderful sponsors and advertisers, without whom it would not be possible.

I would venture to say that we are one of the hardest working neighborhoods in Oklahoma City. We strive to keep our neighborhood clean, safe, and a joy to live in. If you have not thanked your MNA officers, quadrant leaders, block captains, committee chairs, volunteers, city workers and the businesses that support Miller please do so NOW! It takes a lot of work to keep Miller on top, but isn't it worth it?!

Look around and be thankful that we live in Miller Neighborhood!

Sincerely, Bruce Hall, President Miller Neighborhood Association

#### JUNE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The Home Tour is over, the 4th of July Parade hasn't started marching yet, so it seems like a good time for memberships! We now have 138 individuals and 46 commercial members. That is **a total of 184 members**, <u>only 79 members short of our 2008 goal</u>. We still have lots of work but we have the time. A special thanks to the 32 new individual and 4 new commercial members.

Second renewal letters have gone to those 2008 members who have not renewed. Second letters will be going out to certain residents who have not become members but should! I am attempting to search what other communities are doing so we might steal some ideas. Several communities list in their newsletter the names of those folk who have not renewed their memberships. Now, that is an idea to encourage "over the back yard fence conversation." MNA has one of the largest paid memberships but there are those communities that are trying to knock us off the top. Don't let them!

If you need a membership application, if you have a question, if you have a concern, call Jimmy Vaughn at 948-0308 or 524-0305. Answers are always free, even sometimes lengthy.

A special thanks to all the residents in the 2600 block of NW 12th St. You have cleaned, you have painted, you have planted. This block looked just great for those guests attending the Miller-in-May Home Tour Head-quarters.

Jimmy Vaughn, Membership Chair, MNA

Oklahoma City, OK 73107

## 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. We need **80** neighbors to help out. Please fill out the form below and/or contact Steve Reid to sign up!

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Miller Neighborhood Association Security Patrol Participation
Name
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

#### WHY JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AS-SOCIATION IF YOU ARE A RENTER?

Joining your neighborhood group (Application Page 8) will provide you with a variety of benefits only Neighborhood Associations can provide:

- 1. Increased safety
- 2. A powerful voice in getting city services
- **3.** Decrease rates for renter's/car insurance (safer neighborhoods have lower rates)
- 4. An avenue for Leadership Development
- 5. Help shape the destiny of Miller
- 6. Possible business contacts
- 7. Personal growth
- 8. A sense of accomplishment
- 9. A feeling of community belonging
- 10. Someday you might just own a home in Miller

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### OKLAHOMA STATE LANDLORD TENANT LAW

This is quoted in part from the Landlord Tenant Act, furnished by the Deputy Director of Oklahoma House Research. For more information: www.okbar.org/public/brochures/tenbroc.htm

#### 41-118. Duties of Landlord.

A landlord shall at all times during the tenancy:

1. Except in the case of a single-family residence, keep all common areas of his building, grounds, facilities, and appurtenances in a clean, safe, and sanitary conditions;

2. Make all repairs and do whatever is necessary to put and keep the tenant's dwelling unit and premises in a fit and habitable condition;

3. Maintain a good and safe working order and condition all electrical, plumbing, sanitary, heating, ventilating, air-conditioning and other facilities and appliances, including elevators, supplied or required to be supplied by him; 4. Except in the case of one- or two-family residences or where provided by a governmental entity, provide and maintain appropriate receptacles and conveniences for the removal of trashes.

5. Except in the case of a single-family residence or where the service is supplied by direct and independently metered utility connections to the dwelling unit, supply running water and reasonable amounts of hot water at all times and reasonable heat.

#### 41-127. Duties of Tenant.

The tenant shall at all times, during the tenancy:

1. Keep that part of the premises which such tenant occupies and uses as safe, clean and sanitary as the condition of the premises permits;

2. Dispose from such tenant's dwelling unit all ashes, garbage, rubbish and other waste in a safe, clean and sanitary manner;

3. Keep all plumbing fixtures in the dwelling unit or used by the tenant as clean and sanitary as their condition permits;

4. Use in a safe and nondestructive manner all electrical, plumbing, sanitary, heating, ventilating, airconditioning and other facilities and appliances including elevators in the premises;

5. Not deliberately or negligently destroy, deface, damage, impair or remove any part of the premises or permit any person, animal or pet to do so;

6. Not engage in conduct or allow any person or animal or pet, on the premises with the express or implied permission or consent of the tenant, to engage in conduct that will disturb the quiet and peaceful; enjoyment of the premises by other tenants;

7. Comply with all covenants, rules, regulations, and the like which are in accordance with Section 126 of this title; and

8. Not engage in criminal activity that threatens the health, safety or right of peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other tenants or is a danger to the premises, and not engage in any drug-related criminal activity on or near the premises either personally or by any member of the tenant's household or any guest.

<b>Attention Renters</b> Living in Miller Neighborhood:
This is a survey for Miller residents who do not own their home so the Miller Neighborhood Associa- tion Board of Directors can know how MNA can better serve you!
<u>Returning this survey enters you in a drawing for a free 2008 MNA membership (or 2009 if already a member)</u> . Value of prize is \$30. Return completed form to Membership Chair, 2632 NW 12th St, 73107 Office 948-0308 or E-mail jimmy4nonprofit@sbcglobal.net for email survey.
NAME (1) NAME (2) CHILDREN'S NAME'S (optional) Street Address
Telephone Number(s) Email:
Length of time in Miller: years months
1. Do you live inHouseDuplexAptGarage Apt
2. Are you a member of the Miller Neighborhood Association (MNA)? If NO, why not?
<ul> <li>3. List at least 3 things you like about living in Miller community</li> <li>(1)</li></ul>
<ul> <li>4. What would you like the Directors do to make improvements to Miller?</li> <li>(1)</li></ul>
<ul> <li>5. What current Neighborhood Association practices or policies would you like to see changed?</li> <li>(1)</li></ul>
6. If you have children, 6 yrs to 18 yrs, could you help with special programs for them? YesNoN/A
7. If you have children, 13-18 yrs, could you help support a "mentoring" program ? Yes No N/A
<ul> <li>8. Where would you like to volunteer to make a difference in Miller? (Examples include: mentoring youth, neighborhood cleanups, security patrol, neighborhood meetings, holiday parties, median watering, etc.)</li> <li>(1)</li></ul>
9. Do you <u>regularly</u> (at least 10 times per year) get a copy of the Miller Messenger? Yes No

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME!



	Please complete and detach the MNA Membership Application below and send it and a check to:
	Mike Stuart, MNA Treasurer
	1221 N. Miller
	OKC, OK 73107
	(Memberships are effective from January through December )
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	MILLER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
	2008 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
	This is my renewal I am new member
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Please pri	nt
(1) NA	ME
(2) NA	ME
Addres	s Zip if not 73107
Phone I	HWC
	Yr moved to MNA
	Own my home Rent my home
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CHECK (	ONE OF THE MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES BELOW:
	\$20.00 Individual (one name only)
	\$20.00 Business Friend (one name only- Living outside of MNA but own/manage property)
	\$30.00 Couple (List two names)
	\$45.00 Commercial (list commercial name & one individual)
	Centennial Diamond (free membership - 85 years or older)
Please che	eck one and include the amount of the donation:
\$	General Fund (Provides administrative costs such as postage)
\$	Median Beautification & Watering (Provides water, shrubs)
\$	Neighborhood Watch & Security Patrol (Prevent crime)
\$	Park & Playground (Maintain grounds and equipment for children)
\$	Coats for Kids (Provides coats to Hawthorne Elementary students in need)
\$	Not designated (To be used for the most benefit to MNA)
\$	Total Enclosed
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vided in tl your dona	<b>CONS ARE OPTIONAL</b> -donations and membership fees are tax deductible to the extent pro- he IRS Code. MNA is a $501(c)(3)$ nonprofit organization, EIN 73-1317159. The entire amount of tion is used to make Miller community a safer, more beautiful place to live, and the friendliest
communit	ty of all. Watch your donated money help make the difference in MNA!