



Cooper Neighborhood Association Newsletter



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La Asociación del vecindario de Cooper

Lunes 8 de Marzo, a las 6:30 PM

Gimnasio de la escuela Cooper
1808 S. 123 E. Ave.

Presentar un informe de reporte
de la Comité

Al Comandante Walter Evans, del
Departamento de la Policía de Tulsa

Venga a la junta de asociación del vecindario de
Cooper y escuche a la oficial **Marcella Brannon**
hablar a favor de la commission de el crimen.
Aprenda como organizar un programa de alerta
del vecindario en la calle que vive.

**DEPENDE DE NOSOTROS
MANTENER NUESTRO VECINDARIO
SEGURO**

Todos son bienvenidos!

La puerta Aprecia Refrescos



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
AS TEST MONITORS AT
COOPER ELEMENTARY**

**APRIL 12 – 16th
(8 AM – Noon)**

Take advantage of this short term project
to help our local school. (State testing
requires that a monitor be present when
these tests are administered.) For more
info, contact Rita Kukura, 746-9480.

COOPER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 8TH – 6:30 pm

Cooper Elementary School
1808 South 123 East Avenue

Brief Committee Reports

Major Walter J. Evans
Mingo Valley Division, Tulsa Police Dept.

Officer Marcella Brannon
will speak on behalf of the **Crime Commission**.
Learn how we can help you set up an
Alert Neighbors program
on the street where you live.



THIS NEIGHBORHOOD IS WATCHED
CALL 911
Crime Commission

DON'T LET CRIME HIT HOME

**IT'S UP TO US
TO KEEP OUR NEIGHBORHOOD SAFE**

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Refreshments & Door Prizes

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DUES REMINDER: If you haven't yet paid your dues for 2009-10, you may send your \$10 check, payable to Cooper Neighborhood Association, to Bill Shannon, CNA Treasurer, 1509 S. 117 E. Ave., Tulsa, OK 74128.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST WINNERS

We look forward to the beautiful lights in our neighborhood each year. **We are pleased to award First Prize in our 2009 contest to the home of Aaron & Lou Ann Day** whose display was enhanced with music this year.



After much discussion, our committee decided to award the following four homes second place. Winners will be recognized at our March neighborhood meeting.



Community Action Project of Tulsa County is providing **free tax preparation** for families earning \$50,000 a year or less, individuals earning \$40,000 a year or less or people who have been laid off. Locations include:

Exchange Center, 4606 S. Garnett Road, Suite 100 Hours: Mondays-Thursdays, 9 AM - 7 PM; Fri. & Saturdays, 9 AM - 3 PM

Eastgate Metroplex Tax Center, ITIN and bilingual site 14002 East 21st Street

Hours: Tuesdays-Fridays, 10 AM to 6:30 PM; Saturdays, 9 AM to 3:30 PM.

Items to Take With You: Photo ID, Social Security cards for each family member, W-2 forms for 2009, 1099s, other tax-related documents, childcare provider name, address and tax ID number, voided check for automatic deposit, and copy of last year's tax return. If married (filing jointly), both spouses need to be present to sign return.



PLANiTULSA UPDATE

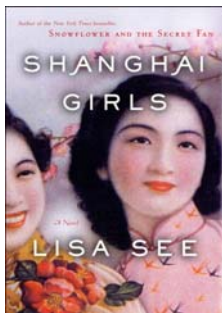
Over the last two years thousands of Tulsans helped produce a groundbreaking comprehensive plan for our City.

The Plan will guide the physical development of the City. Its policies will provide a framework within which individuals, businesses and public officials can make decisions that are consistent with the community's vision for the future.

A recent meeting at East Central High School provided District 6 residents an opportunity to hear first hand a review of the plan and to make comments.

You may review the plan at www.planitulsa.org and make comments there if you desire. A copy is also available for review at your local library.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB



We enjoyed *Shanghai Girls* as our February book selection. Staged in Shanghai in 1937, the story follows the life and relationship of two beautiful, pampered sisters. When the father gambles away the family fortune, the sisters are sold to suitors who have come to China to find a wife.

Actual historic events are woven in as the story progresses and the sisters lives are changed dramatically. The book provides an interesting behind the scenes look into Chinese culture.

Our book club is open to everyone. Simply go by Martin Regional Library and ask the librarian to check out our monthly book club selection. Read the book and join us at our next meeting.

Meetings are held the **3rd Thursday of each month at 1:30 PM** at Martin Regional Library.

MAY IS SPRING CLEANUP MONTH

Plan now to take advantage of **dumpsters** that will be brought in during the month of May. Specific dates will be announced in our May newsletter. Our **Garage Sales** will be held the following week.



COOPER NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME PREVENTION

Hello again to all of the residents, friends & family in the Cooper Neighborhood Association. It has been an interesting fall and winter to say the least and, to throw in weather and politics, makes it hard to keep track of it all. Most importantly, we want to reassure everyone involved in your Association that we, as a police department, are still responding to basic, fundamental "public safety/police" core services without any problems and just as we have in the past. Even though it is extremely unfortunate that we have lost many very valuable, highly-intelligent, and outstanding young officers recently, we want all of our Cooper Neighborhood residents to know that we are still out here "taking care of business" and doing our jobs!

Along those lines, please remember that the "Spring Break" recess will soon be here. This will mean that numerous school-age & adolescent kids will be out of school for a while and "out and about" in all neighborhoods. Help your District Officers if you see anything "suspicious" (e.g., kids running & hurriedly climbing fences in your backyards, unfamiliar children/kids peeking into your neighbor's house windows, etc). Do NOT dismiss these suspicious actions as possibly bothering the police - you may just be the only one who has the valuable "tip" to help us catch a serial residential burglar! Don't hesitate to call 911 when you see these things.

Other recent "trends" include the thefts of general utility trailers. These trailers include single and double-axle, uncovered/covered type trailers that people use to haul a variety of items (i.e.: tree limbs, brush, ATVs, etc.) If you or your neighbor has such a trailer, please be aware of this problem. Most trailers are left unsecured and are easily stolen. Many have been secured and locked up by their owners, only to see them stolen as well. Please secure, and lock-up any parked trailer to the best of your ability and, if possible, apply a permanent identification number of some sort somewhere on the trailer. If the trailer is ever spotted by law enforcement, it can be identified or traced back to you, once it is located or recovered.

Until next time, keep an eye out for your neighbor, and live safe!

Sgt. Ted Umbarger
TPD – Mingo Valley Division

NEIL'S GARDENING TIPS

MARCH *Cheer up! Spring's around the corner.* Apply Preemergent herbicides to prevent crabgrass and other weeds in February and no later than March 15. Preemergents need to be applied before weed seeds germinate. Note: Applications may be applied later than March 15 if the soil temperatures have remained below the 50 to 60 degree germination temperature of crabgrass. A half inch of water or rain is required to activate the preemergent. Do not apply preemergent if you plan to over seed your lawn. For a better understanding of preemergents see, "Selecting and Using Preemergent Herbicides"***.

Fescue, bluegrass .. apply one pound of actual nitrogen per 1000 sq. ft. using a complete N-P-K formula in a 3-1-2 ratio. Slow release fertilizers are NOT recommended for use on fescue lawns.

Dormant fruit trees and other plants and shrubs at risk for aphids, scale and spider mites should be sprayed now with an all-purpose horticultural oil. Spray per label on a calm day with temperatures above 40 degrees, but not within 24 hours of a hard freeze.



If you missed planting trees and shrubs last fall, now is a good time to plant them. Late winter and early spring is the only time you should plant bare root trees and shrubs; this gives them a head start on the summer heat. The saucer technique, see "*How to plant Trees in Clay Soil*" **, is the preferred method for planting trees in the predominately clay soils found in our area. Research has shown that young trees will grow two to three times faster in the early years if a two to three foot band of mulch is applied around tree. Mulch reduces competition from weeds and grass, maintains cooler soil temperatures and conserves moisture

APRIL Fertilize warm season grasses when they start to green up in April. Quick release fertilizers, apply one pound of actual Nitrogen per 1000 sq ft three to five times per year and water in to prevent burning of the grass. Consider using a sulfur coated urea (e.g. 46-0-0), a slow release form that reduces run off in spring rains. Apply 1 2/3 lbs of actual nitrogen per 1000 sq. ft. two to three times per year during the growing season, refer to the label.



Remove the spent bloom on spring flowering bulbs and allow the foliage to die back naturally to insure great blooms for next year.

MAY Plant summer bulbs, e.g. cannas, dahlia, elephant ear and gladiolas. To prevent rotting wait until the ground temperature is above 60 degrees to plant caladium bulbs. Wait till the soil warms up to plant zinnias, periwinkle and other heat loving plants.



***Available OSU Extension Center

FREE GARDENING CLASSES at Tulsa OSU Extension Center, 4116 E. 15th. Each Tuesday, 5:30 to 6:30 PM.

April 6: Soil Fertility & Lawn Maintenance
April 13: Vegetable Gardening
April 20: New Perennials
April 27: New Annuals,
May 4: Ground Covers for Tulsa
May 11: Drip Irrigation
May 18: Landscaping for Low Maintenance
May 25: Plants of the OSU Demonstration Garden

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