



# Cooper Neighborhood Association Newsletter

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## TOM McBay RECOGNIZED BY TULSA CITY COUNCIL



The Tulsa City Council recently presented Tom McBay a Proclamation recognizing his many years of outstanding community service in East Tulsa.

Using a model he envisioned for neighborhood organizations, Tom was instrumental in the founding of Cooper Neighborhood Association, served as its first President, and continues his volunteer service in an advisory capacity.

Tom has held leadership roles in East Tulsa Prevention Coalition, South and East Alliance of Tulsa, District 6 Advisory Council, and Cherokee Homeowners Association.



Among those congratulating Tom at the City Council meeting were Mayor Kathy Taylor, City Councilor Dennis Troyer, members of Cooper Neighborhood Association and East Tulsa Prevention Coalition.

Tom and his wife Beth are longtime residents of Cooper neighborhood.



## Everyone's Welcome

Come find out what's happening  
in your neighborhood

### Cooper Neighborhood Assn. Annual Meeting

**MONDAY, SEPT. 14th - 6:30 PM**  
Cooper Elementary School, 1808 S. 123 E. Ave.

**Presentation of Colors**

**Election of Officers & Zone Leaders**

**Major Walter J. Evans**  
Mingo Valley Div., Tulsa Police Dept.

**Scholarship Recipient Torrie Moreton**

**City Councilor Dennis Troyer**

**CNA Advisor Tom McBay**

**Open Discussion Committee Reports**

**.. Refreshments ..... Door Prizes ...**

## ¡Todos estan Invitados!

Vamos ver qué pasa en su vecindario

### La Asociación del Vecindario Cooper

**14 de Septiembre de 2009 - 6:30 PM**

En la Escuela Primaria de Cooper, 1808 S 123 E Ave.

La programa incluir:

- Elección de oficiales y los líderes de zonas CNA
- Al Comandante Walter Evans, del Departamento de la Policía de Tulsa
- Torrie Moreton que gana la becaria
- Consejero de la Ciudad de Dennis Troyer
- Consejero de CNA Tom McBay
- Presentar un informe de reporte de la Comite

Comidas y Premios



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It is important that East Tulsa take an active role in making our city and our neighborhood a better place to live and work by voting in the upcoming elections. Please take every opportunity you can to become informed about the candidates, one of whom will be representing our District at City Hall.

**VOTE** because you care about your community.

**VOTE** because you believe in free government & want to add your voice.

**VOTE** because it's the right thing to do.

**City of Tulsa Primary Election: September 8**

**City of Tulsa General Election: November 10**



#### COOPER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION POLICY STATEMENT

Cooper Neighborhood Association has historically declined to participate as an organization in political campaigns because its mission is not one of partisan politics.

The Cooper Neighborhood Association encourages its individual governing board members and constituents to make informed choices in voting and to participate fully in the political process as they wish. The individual political views of the governing board of the Cooper Neighborhood Association shall not be construed to be representative of the organization or its participants.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

While summer activities have kept everyone busy, we still found time to read. During August we read and enjoyed *bel canto*, an entertaining novel by author Ann Patchett.

Interested in attending? Simply ask the librarian at Martin Regional Library for the book club book and read it prior to our meeting.



We meet at Martin at 1:30 PM on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

#### IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES



Please make your \$10 check, payable to Cooper Neighborhood Association, and mail to:

Bill Shannon, CNA Treasurer  
1509 South 117 East Avenue,  
Tulsa, OK 74128

Cooper Neighborhood Association is a 501 (c) 3 organization. Our modest dues are important in helping us cover meeting, block party, scholarship and publication expenses.

#### EAST TULSA PREVENTION COALITION 10th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

#### "A TASTE OF EAST TULSA: CELEBRATING FAMILY & CULTURE"

**Sunday, September 13th - 1:00 - 5:00 PM**  
**Green Country Event Center - 12000 East 31st**

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*East Tulsa's 1st*

#### Green Country Farmers Market

Each Saturday and Sunday, 9 AM - 3 PM  
Green Country Event Center, 12000 E. 31st

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## TORRIE MORETON AWARDED NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOLARSHIP



Torrie Morton, Cooper Neighborhood resident and East Central High School graduate, has been selected as recipient of Cooper Neighborhood Association's 2009 scholarship.

An accomplished student and athlete, Torrie is also a leader! She served as East Central Senior Class President, National Honor Society President, Varsity Softball Captain and was All-Conference Catcher of the Year.

Torrie's experience as a volunteer therapist for a young autistic child has led her to pursue a career working with autistic and special needs children. She plans to attend Tulsa Community College (and later OSU) and major in Special Education and Speech Pathology.



Cooper Neighborhood Association President Misty Blevins and Vice President Pat Kendall recently presented Torrie with the \$500 scholarship check.



## COOPER NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME PREVENTION

This will be my last contribution to your newsletter as I am changing patrol divisions on August 30<sup>th</sup>. I hope you have found the information I have provided beneficial. In this article I thought I'd write about crime trends in your area since the first of the year.

This information is pulled from our department's COMPSTAT program. To include your neighborhood the geographic area I looked at was bounded between Garnett Road to 129 EA and Admiral Place to 21<sup>st</sup> Street. The following compares year-to-date 2009 with the same time period last year.

Burglary reports in the area are down 4% from last year. Burglary arrests are up 40%. Robberies are down 8%. Six arrests for robbery were made this year; none last year. Auto thefts are down by 16%. At least by this data you can easily see that by making arrests you can lower a crime rate. I do note that in the last 28 days there has been an up-tick in reported burglaries in the area. Many of these are daytime crimes so remember the tips from earlier; watch your streets and neighbor's homes and call us if anything is suspicious.

Lastly, school has started. So watch those crosswalks, bus stops and school zones!

I believe you will receive the same type of communication and service from the supervisors and squad coming in to your area at the end of August. It has been my pleasure providing information for your newsletter.

**Sgt. Jeff Cealka**

**The Nominating Committee** is charged with bringing a slate of Board Member nominees to the Sept. 14th meeting. Committee members include: Eric Paschall, Nancy Troyer, Sue Lawrence, and Pat Kendall.

If you have recommendations for nominees, please contact one of the committee members. While additional nominations may be submitted at the meeting, all nominees must have given previous approval to their name being placed in nomination.



### FREE HOT MEALS

for Cooper Elementary Students & their Guardians  
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Wednesday Evenings, 5 - 7 PM  
Green Country Event Center, 12000 E. 31st

*(The Neighborhood Kitchen is brought to you by Garnett Church of Christ, Green Country Event Center and the community of Cooper Elementary.)*



Casas Guanajuato invites you and your family to join in their celebration of the independence day of Mexico at their **Noche Mexicana, September 18th .. Salon Mexico, 11675 East 21st Street ... 3 PM - Midnight**. Celebrate Mexican culture, the culinary art and the beauty of Mexico. There will be a civic ceremony celebrated with Mariachis, Estudiantina Universitaria del estado de Guanajuato, live music and dance. There will be authentic Mexican dishes and a beauty queen coronation. *For more information, contact Simon Navarro, 282-0959.*





## COUNCILOR'S CORNER

Hello, CNA.

We recognized one of our GREAT members at City Council a few weeks ago by presenting Mr. Tom McBay a proclamation for all his great work in CNA and District 6 and Tulsa. GREAT job, TOM, and THANK YOU and your family for what you have accomplished. You've MADE a difference in Tulsa and you have done it the right way, FROM YOUR HEART. We love you and Beth .... that's the good news :)

What's been going on in the past month or two in the City? We managed to *pass a budget* and, to say it was a normal thing, was an understatement. You're aware of Tulsa's tough times right now and people are wondering when we're going to recover. I'm like most of you, hopefully soon, but every day we hear about more layoffs and people being cut back on hours. The Council also *passed a CDBG funding*. That too was a struggle with so many good projects to fund and so little money to work with.

*Elections* (for Mayor and for City Council) *are just around the corner*. Sept. 8th is the primary date. The general election will be Nov. 10th. It's important for us to be involved and the primary is very important to District 6.... your district. Each party has a primary and the *League of Women Voters* will *host a forum* at Martin Regional Library on Sept. 1st. If you're not sure about the candidates you may want to be there to hear what we have to say and get to know us/them better. PLEASE do not take this lightly. If you are registered, take that couple of minutes to cast your vote.

The next couple of years are going to be very important to YOUR neighborhood and YOUR district. *Fix Our Streets* will get started in the next few months. You'll be able to follow the progress on line at [cityoftulsa.org/fixourstreets](http://cityoftulsa.org/fixourstreets). Also, remember it is a five-year program. CNA will be having some projects going on, but not every street will be repaired. The worst first.

CNA let me say again code enforcement is still a BIG item on your minds. Knocking doors in Cooper I've heard two things that you are most concerned about ... YOUR neighborhood and YOUR safety.

Cooper, we NEED to take care of COOPER. Nobody else is going too. YOU want to see things get better in CNA?? YOU NEED to be INVOLVED. You need to attend the meetings. You need to step up. Not only complain about things but also be part of the solution. HELP. You want code enforcement to be tougher? You need to help ... call 596-2100. You want tougher, better safety and stop crime? You need to watch out for your neighbor, get to know each other. **There is no better place to get to know one another than by coming to YOUR neighborhood association meetings.**

Thank you.

Dennis K. Troyer, District 6 City Councilor



## HELPFUL NUMBERS

**596-2100** Mayor's Action Line  
**596-9777** City Bulky Waste Pickup (free)  
**2-1-1** Free, Confidential Telephone Service for Health & Human Service Info. 24 hours a day information, referral, and problem solving. Available in English and Spanish.

Want to be included on our **NEIGHBORHOOD E-MAIL COMMUNICATIONS** list? Send an e-mail to [suelawrence@cox.net](mailto:suelawrence@cox.net) and put the words "Cooper Neighborhood" in the subject line.



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