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SPRING GARAGE SALE! April 21st

Mark April 21st on your calendar for the CAHOA sponsored Spring Garage Sale!

This is a great way to pass on some of your treasures or unwanted items and make some extra money.

The Board will put ads in the paper, notify the media and put signs around the perimeters to advertise the event. *(Just remember, if you put up your own signs, please remove them immediately after your sale is over.)*

This is a great way to make a little extra money and get a few things we no longer use out of the house... ***Good Luck!***

MARCH 6 - ANNUAL BOARD ELECTION MEETING at Peters Elementary, 7 pm. See From The Prez Article on page 2 for a description of the Officer Duties. Our community needs your skills!!

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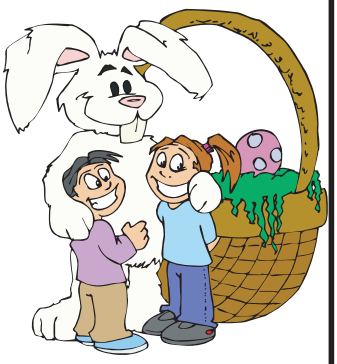
EASTER EGG HUNT!

Sat, April 7th 10:00 am



Easter Egg hunting is so much fun and the boys and girls are always so excited! Even though Easter is in April, we need to get our dates and plans made. We will be stuffing eggs at Kathy Dudley's on **April 3rd at 6:30 pm**, and the Easter Egg Hunt will be April 7th at 10 am in the Park. All kids 12 and under are invited to attend the hunt.

If you can help with stuffing or hiding eggs, call Kathy Dudley at 638-1145.

2012 CAHOA Dues are due and you may utilize the Membership Payment Coupon (page 7) and envelope in this issue to remit your $25.00 for the 2012 dues. *Thanks for your prompt payment.*

Upcoming Events

Mar 6 (Tue)	*Annual Meeting / Election*	7:00 pm - Peters Elem
Mar 15 (Thurs)	Board Meeting	6:30 pm - Coldwell Banker
Apr 7 (Sat)	Easter Egg Hunt!	10 am - the Park
Apr 19 (Thurs)	Board Meeting	6:30 pm - Coldwell Banker
Apr 21 (Sat)	Garage Sale!	All Day - Addition Wide
May 12 (Sat)	Entrance Planting	8:30 am 71st Entrance
May 12-15	Roster Days	Downtown Broken Arrow
May 17 (Thurs)	Board Meeting	6:30 pm - Coldwell Banker

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FROM THE PREZ

This will be our last reminder about our next annual meeting, which will be March 6, 2012. We are looking for people to run for the 2012 board. Election will take place at this meeting to elect officers and board members. I still have hopes that we will have a large turn out at this meeting. There are lots of things that need to be decided on for next year's budget. Cost of operations keep going up and we don't want to get behind in keeping up with these costs, so it is very important to stay in touch with what is going on in your community. We hope to see you there this year. We need some new ideas on how to make our association better.

It has been mentioned that maybe we should explain what the duties are for some of the positions. I know you most likely already know, but just in case you need a reminder here are some of the duties.

President – your duty is to preside at all meetings of the association, as well as any special or board meetings with any of the directors.

Vice President – your duty is to perform the duties of the president in their absence. You will assist the president in the development of new activities and assist with the committee chairpersons.

Secretary – your duties are one of the most important functions of most any organization. The success of the organization depends largely on the efficiency with which you perform the duties of this office. You are the president's right hand and under his direction and the board of directors, you are the liaison officer between the board and the general membership. You will keep all correspondence between any activities and the board and keep a file of all the meetings.

Treasurer – in this position you are responsible for all of the monies that go through the association account. You will invoice the membership for the annual dues and deposit all of the funds as you receive them in a timely manner. You will keep track of all transactions of money coming in and money going out. This will be reported at the monthly board meetings, with a hand out financial report of all transactions for that month. You will disburse funds as they are approved by the board and keep track of all receipts. There are two signatures required on each check written and all four officers can sign on a check.

Directors – the duties of the directors is to make sure the officers are operating in accordance with the bylaws of the association. You will set in on all meetings and have voting rights on all transactions to be voted on. Your position is as important as you will assist in formulation and executing the policies of the association.

Committee chairs – there are several committees that need to be chaired from time to time. It is important that someone can oversee the projects and report back to the association of any needs or problems that need to be taken care of.

Remember, we have our monthly board meetings, starting at 6:30 pm on the third Thursday of the month. Everyone is welcome, so don't feel afraid to stop by and see what is going on, who knows you might bring in some new ideas.

I want to thank, once again, all the officers and board members for all their help and support, this past year. Our treasurer John Maxwell is working on ways to improve how we invoice for our dues, as everyone is aware how much money stamps cost these days. We have some hard working people covering lots of different tasks in order to keep everything in order and working. I wish we could get more homes paying dues though, so we don't have to raise our dues again. With the cost of everything going up it gets harder and harder to keep our cost down.

Spread the word and lets get 100 members this year for our annual meeting. Hope to see lots of people at our next annual meeting on March 6, 2012, 7 pm at Peters Elem.

Gene Redford, Cahoa President

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John Maxwell, Treasurer

You probably noticed a "Dues Now Due"" sign at our Country Aire Entrances. They were donated by one of our members who is very concerned about the association being able to continue our goals of keeping our area looking great. We have been steadily receiving dues checks in the mail and appreciate those who have paid our very reasonable dues.

Remember, we use these dues to keep the Country Aire perimeter mowed and many other projects we have mentioned in previous communications. Thank you if you have paid 2012 dues and if you have not sent in your check as yet, please remember it is a small fee to keep our neighborhood a place we are proud to call home.

We have again included with this newsletter an addressed envelope for you to send us your dues payment of $25.00 for 2012. To insure proper credit, please enclose with the payment the dues coupon from this issue.

We are looking forward to our annual meeting on March 6, 2012, 7:00 PM at Peters Elementary School Gymnasium. We need your input as to what you would like to see the Homeowner Association accomplish during the next year. Officers and the Board of Directors are elected at this meeting and we need members of our homeowners to step up and run for one of the positions. Many of us have served for several terms and we believe that there are some great leaders out there to step up and guide Country Aire Homeowners in the future.

HEY DOG OWNERS!

Submitted by a Resident.

I realize picking up after your dog is not the most pleasant job, but dog poop carries diseases that can effect dogs as well as humans—especially children. It can also be a danger to our water supply and people certainly don't want to step in it.

When you take your dog for a walk, please take several plastic bags (grocery bags work well or you can purchase bags especially made for this job). You might even carry extras for people who "forget" and need a bag.

Place the bag on your hand like a glove.

Grab the bottom of the bag with your fingers—grasp the poop and pick it up in the bag.

Use your other hand to pull the top of the bag over your fist — leaving poop inside the bag.

Then tie the bag shut and dispose of it in a trash receptacle.

It's that easy and it's your RESPONSIBILITY as a dog owner.

The park path is really *gross* right now—nearly solid poop on one side. Do you really want your child or dog to walk through that?

ENTRANCE BEAUTIFICATION!

We will be planting the spring flowers on May 12th. The more people who help, the faster we will be done. We will meet at the 71st (Kenosha) & N Fir entrance at 8:30 am. If you need to reach me call 918-760-9899. I would like to thank Carol Kennedy (145th & College), Linda Maxwell (81st & S Fir), Don Wilson (129th & W El Paso), & all the other people, who have helped with the other entrances.

— *Ginny Talley*

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Gardening Club Update

The next meeting will be March 12th to plan our activities for the next few months.

In the past we have attended the Tulsa Garden Club Spring Garden Market. This event will be held again this year on April 13-14th.

June is the Master Gardeners Annual Garden Tour. I'm sure we will be wanting to attend these events again this year.

If you are needing more information on the club or events, contact Frankie Baker at 918-258-9939.

TULSA HOME&GARDEN SHOW

March 8 to 11, 2012

The Greater Tulsa Home & Garden Show is Oklahoma's largest and longest-running home and garden products trade show, with more than 450 exhibitors. For a one-stop shopping experience for everything you need for your home, garden and so much more, it is the one home and garden show not to miss!

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2621 W. El Paso St.
2401 W. Galveston Pl.

Area 4 Winners

3107 W. Broadway Pl.
105 S. Kalanchoe Ave
3101 W. Broadway St.
3005 W. College St.
3106 W. Broadway Pl.

BA Central Park Community Center

Moms and Tots Gym Time: Jan 24th - March 15th, 2012

During cold, dreary winter days – moms are invited to bring kids indoors for a place to run, ride & play.

The City of Broken Arrow's Central Park Community Center will be hosting an indoor play day for moms and tots. Ages 18 months to 4 yrs can bring their Big Wheels, trykes, or other plastic riding toys and push toys and enjoy the warmth inside where an entire gymnasium will be set aside for just them.

Each Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9:30 – 11:30 am a gym will be set aside for exclusive use by the kids. Each parent/adult will need to register for a Broken Arrow Parks ID card to use the facility. There is no charge for the card and it can be issued when you arrive to play.

To register call or come by the Central Park Community Center between 7:00 am and 9:00 pm, Monday – Friday.

Other programs at central park community center:

Citizens may enjoy these other events offered at the Community Center year round:

Line Dancing – Mondays @ 1:30 pm – NO FEE – geared for over 55 but everyone is welcome.

Women's volleyball league – Wednesday @ 9 am – 15.00 per session – next session starts Feb 29th.

Open Volleyball or Basketball Play – Wednesday @ 6:00 pm, NO FEE

Zumba Fitness – Tues – Thurs @ 6:00 pm - $5.00 drop in - $30 for 8 classes.

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The next pollutant collections is April 14 & 15, 10 am to 3 pm.

Items accepted include: household cleaners, pesticides, fertilizers, automotive fluids, cooking oil, batteries, all fluorescent light bulbs, small ammunition, smoke alarms, aerosol paint, hobby paint, pool chemicals, items containing mercury, and unused or out-of-date prescription medications.

Items NOT accepted at the event: latex paint, tires, computers, radioactive waste and commercial waste. Latex paint is not accepted because it is not hazardous. It is water-based and can safely disposed of by being dried out. Remove the lid and let the paint completely dry. Tulsa residents can place 2 cans of dry paint next to regular residential trash for pick up.

Transport pollutants to the event in the trunk of a car or the bed of a pick up truck. Trained volunteers will remove pollutants from your vehicle for you.

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And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

— Marianne Williamson

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June 1-3, 8-10, 2012

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Men are not prisoners of fate, but only prisoners of their own minds. They have within themselves the power to become free at any moment.
- Franklin D. Roosevelt

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- Rachel Carson

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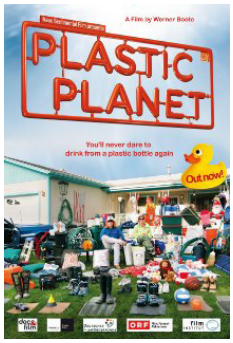

I watched a documentary on Netflix Streaming Movies in January called, **Plastic Planet**. It was more than disturbing to see in an hour and a half, all the plastic we have inundated into our lives and overwhelmingly clear evidence of how harmful it is to human beings (and anything living and breathing, not to mention the earth). The amount of plastic in the ocean is heartbreaking and it is wrecking havoc in our health and our ecological systems because so much of it is going everywhere but the recycling center.

There is overwhelming evidence that plastic toxins leach into the containers when heated (as in dishwasher), scratched or are damaged from use. Even tho I have gotten rid of all container plastic in my kitchen, I look around my house and still see so much — in the kitchen: blender containers, serving spoons and spatulas, dishwasher soap, Windex bottles, etc., then there's toothbrushes, telephones, speakers, computers, scanners, printers, desks, clocks, shampoo containers, etc. If you haven't heard, BPA that is heated has been shown to be extremely toxic. In 2009, plastic baby bottles with BPA were actually recalled when my grandson was using them, for leaching toxins into the formula. HORRIFYING to a grandmother that is a protector of this child 2 days a week. I'm going to make a great effort to rid myself of plastic as much as possible, and it is effecting how I'm shopping. Remember, consumer demand is driving much of this system.

Let me return to recycling, something so doable for all of us. I drove down commercial one day on my way to the bank a few weeks ago and someone's trash had blown all over the street. There were many plastic pop bottles, food cans, plastic grocery bags, a cereal box and tons of papers. I would say, conservatively, that 60% of that trash could be recycled at the MET. They are approximately 1.3 miles from our addition. It made me realize that there are plenty of people that still don't understand the importance of recycling (the sheer amount of trash bags out for pickup around the addition is our first clue).

Since I've setup my bins and have a system in place, I would say it takes me NO TIME to flow with the recycling system daily — because it is a habit and it is important enough to me that I do it like brushing my teeth. It would not occur to me to put a cardboard box or plastic container on the curb for the landfill. I go to the MET twice a month. It takes about 15 minutes each time. I take the short cut through Detroit Ave from 145th and follow it right back home, and listen to good music that relaxes me on trip. All of your paper (newspaper, junk mail, magazines) can be put in the bins at Peters Elementary and earns money for the school.

Please know that this is important to your family's future generations, and I urge everyone to watch this documentary as it will bring it home to you in a clear way. It's these little choices we make everyday that have great effects on everyone else in our world. Please know that all your choices are vital. 2012 is a time of awakening more than anything, and we can start today to teach our children and grandchildren not to use more than they need and to recycle everything we possibly can.

— Dianna Burrup, Breeze Editor

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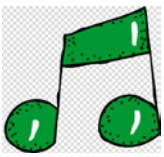

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