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THE COUNTRY AIRE BREEZE

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BA HOLIDAY EVENTS

A Time For Christmas 2:
Branson-Style Show!

December 3, 2011, 2 p.m.

Presented by BAPC Foundation and BA Arts & Humanities Council

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With the immense success of last year's production, BAPAC Executive Director Mark Frie knew it was something he and his cast had to do again for the community.

"We were pleasantly surprised by the response to last year's show, so it felt right to give the gift again to the people of Broken Arrow," said Mark Frie. "We promise an even better show than last year with more local musicians, more great holiday classics and an afternoon where you can get lost in the Christmas spirit."

Joining Mark again for the show is his wife Kim Frie, vocalist Melinda Clonts and vocalist Adam J. Foreman. All four performers will be joined by a host of local talented musicians and special guests.

For more information, call the BAPAC Box Office at (918) 259-5778.

Civitans Annual Christmas Parade

Date: 12/3/2011 10:00 AM

Location: Main Street Broken Arrow

The theme of this year's Broken Arrow Civitan Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec. 3 at 10 a.m. is "An Old-Fashioned Christmas". It's a Main Street parade that begins at the intersection of Main and College. This is the 50th Anniversary of Broken Arrow Civitans. Santa will be there!!

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

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Upcoming Events

Nov 16	**(Wed)**	Board Meeting	6:30 pm - Coldwell Banker
Dec 3	**(Sat)**	Christmas Parade	10 am Downtown
Dec 3	**(Sat)**	BAPAC A Time For Xmas	2 PM - FREE
Dec 15	**(Thurs)**	Board Meeting	6:30 pm - Coldwell Banker
Jan 19	**(Thurs)**	Board Meeting	6:30 pm - Coldwell Banker
Feb 16	**(Thurs)**	Board Meeting	6:30 pm - Coldwell Banker
Mar 6	**(Tues)**	ANNUAL Elections	7:00 pm - Peters Elem
Mar 15	**(Thurs)**	Board Meeting	6:30 pm - Coldwell Banker

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FROM THE PREZ

Here we are with another summer gone and Christmas is just around the corner, seems like we just put the decorations away a couple of months ago. I hope everyone had a great summer and a good Thanksgiving.

Another year is about to come to an end and we will soon be getting ready for our annual meeting in March of 2012, which is our time to elect new officers and board members for the new year.

We continue to have a decrease in membership again this year, which will require us to cut back on expenses for next year. Most likely the first thing to cut is the mowing of the right of ways. This is our biggest expense so it will be the first to cut. The homeowners who back up to the right of ways will be responsible if they want the grass cut behind their homes.

The current board has done everything we can to make sure all bills are paid and we have run out of ideas. It appears to me nobody cares anymore as to how our addition looks. I have my doubts on how many people even read the Breeze, otherwise more people would pay their dues. I realize how tight money is these days, but this still is one of the best deals in town. Remember if we cut our lawn mowing out this could cause someone to lose their job with that company, so it goes. Our dues are only $25 per year, which is approximate $2.08 per month. Most additions dues are $50.00 per year or more, so we do have a good deal. If all 916 homes would pay, we would stay on track, and have money to put back into our addition. The board would be able to keep things going and pay the bills.

Now is the time to start thinking about what you can do to help your homeowners association. We need new ideas on what kind of annual events, to have, etc. Our next annual meeting will be March 6, 2012, at Peters Elementary, which is when we will elect new officers. I would like to see more than 20 people show up for this very important meeting. This is where you get a chance to voice your thoughts on what your homeowners association can do better.

I understand there are some who want to continue the Christmas Yard of the Week again, so it is time to get your Christmas lights out for our annual Christmas yard of the week contest. We will start the Saturday after Thanksgiving and ends the Saturday after New Years Day.

Don't forget to mark your calendar now for March 6, 2012. We need you there for our annual meeting at Peter's Elementary School, 7:00 pm.

Gene Redford, Cahoa President

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CAHOA MEMBERSHIP UPDATE, FALL 2011

John Maxwell, Treasurer

We made it through a long, very hot summer, now it is time to look ahead in a positive manner and keep it moving that direction. Hopefully, you saved most of your trees, shrubs, and treasured potted plants, and they are now looking much better during this fall weather. You have to remember all have undergone record changes during this year. We had record breaking low temperatures, record breaking high temperatures, and that is for both the day and night time readings. On top of those changes, we experienced high drought conditions, which have not improved even with the rain we have received. Again, this is Oklahoma weather and if you do not like it, then wait and it will change, but the changes just haven't occurred as they normally do.

Speaking of changes, mark your calendar for, Tuesday, March 6, 2012, as that is the date for the Country Aire Homeowners Association, (Country Aire 1 through Country Aire VI), annual meeting, 7:00 PM, Peters Elementary School Gymnasium. This is where your Association Officers and Board of Directors are elected for the new year. Most of the current officers have served for several terms and are not on schedule to run for an additional term. It is your association, it is your neighborhood, it is to keep Country Aire a great place to own your home. Any of us that have served as an officer or director will be willing to work with you in the transition of the position from us to you. We still have a big interest in the association and especially in our investment in our home in Country Aire, but we feel that it is time for changes in leadership of the association. Consider running for one of the offices; contact us for any information pertaining to that office or position and then step on up to the plate.

The current Officer's and Board have been moving forward with activities, events, and making decisions that affects all residents of Country Aire. There are many new homeowners in Country Aire, and still a majority of homeowners that have been residents for numerous years. In the past few years, we have experienced fewer and fewer of the homeowners taking an interest or active part in the association. Some have expressed concern over some of the actions taken, while others have not expressed any opinion. Why? We have asked that many times at our board meetings, which are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM, and this is published in each Breeze issue. It has been some time since we have had a resident visit us at the board meeting. We encourage everyone to attend, anytime.

We did make one change that we heard about and that was only producing the Breeze in an electronic edition. That brought numerous complaints from residents, and the Board then reversed our decision and again issued a paper copy for the residents. To continue with the paper edition it would be nice if some of you that have businesses consider purchasing an ad, even if only a business card size at a cost of $25.00. Remember too, that there is still an electronic edition that is available worldwide. So your business card ad does receive quite a bit of exposure.

"Santa in the Park" has been cancelled this quarter. This was for the children in Country Aire and an opportunity for them to talk to Santa Claus. This was held at one of the Pavilions in Country Aire Park and refreshments for all were available. The attendance for the past two years just did not justify the means, so it has been cancelled for 2011.

Some of the other activities have been discussed, but as of this time, no decision has been made regarding these events such as: Easter in the Park, Yard of the Week, Spring Garage Sale, and the Summer Social, which was cancelled in 2011, due to lack of residents involvement.

There are other items that are continuing such as the mowing of the perimeter, entrance beautification, and publication of the Breeze. The Board works with the city of Broken Arrow, attending some of their meetings, and even meeting with city officials regarding community and neighborhood matters.

Again, all of the above does work to protect your investment and keeps Country Aire a very nice and attractive place to reside, and more importantly, increases the opportunity of selling your home in case you do have to relocate to another area.

Again, remember March 6, 2012, and consider running for one of the Officers of Country Aire Homeowners Association.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST

Once again it's time for the Country Aire Homeowners Christmas Yard of the Week contest. Our addition is divided into 4 areas with a judge for each. Beginning Thanksgiving weekend thru the first Saturday of the New Year they will be looking for the brightest, cheeriest and best decorated yard each week.

Lets all put out the lights and holiday decorations and see if we can't show some true Christmas spirit in our neighborhood. Look for the signs in your yard or your neighbor's yard. If you aren't the lucky one, show that true holiday spirit and congratulate your neighbors that do win. Who knows, the sign might appear in your yard.

— CAHOA Christmas Yard of the Week Committee

Gardening Club Update

We are having a Holiday gathering — On December 5th, at 2:00 pm at Frankie Bakers House.

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

No matter what someone else has done, it still matters how we treat people.

- Judith Butler

REJOICING GENERATES GOOD WILL

From Pema Chodron's Newsletter

The next time you go out in the world, you might try this practice: directing your attention to people—in their cars, on the sidewalk, talking on their cell phones—just wish for them all to be happy and well. Without knowing anything about them, they can become very real, by regarding each of them personally and rejoicing in the comforts and pleasures that come their way. Each of us has this soft spot: a capacity for love and tenderness. But if we don't encourage it, we can get pretty stubborn about remaining sour.

CAHOA Yard of the Week Winners!

We've selected the "Yard of the Week" winners this summer. We had several repeat winners as well as many new yards sprouting the green and white sign. As always everyone was excited to be selected as the yard of the week and thanks to those of you made suggestions to the judges for neighbors that should be considered. We appreciate the effort that everyone makes to keep your yards well groomed and maintained. As always keep up the good work!

We also wish to thank the people who take time each week to survey their neighborhood areas and select the winner. The selected yards during the contest are listed in the next column.

Area 1 Winners
2500 W College
201 W Elder Ave
701 N Dogwood Ave
2501 W College St
2504 W Hartford
2300 W College St
2602 W Hartford St
2605 W Detroit St
2520 W Iola
2600 W Freeport
2601 W Juliet Ct
404 N Elder Ave

Area 2 Winners
2604 W Dallas St
2316 W Fort Worth St
2501 W Commercial
300 S Dogwood
2528 W Commercial
305 S Dogwood
2520 W Commercial
2605 W Ft Worth St
2621 W Dallas St
2500 W Dallas Ct
2505 W Dallas Ct
2504 W Dallas Ct

Area 3 Winners
2705 W Houston Pl
602 S Fir Ct
614 S Fir Ct
2801 W Galveston Pl
2708 W Houston Pl
611 S Fir Ct
2620 W Houston Pl
2604 W Galveston St
2625 W Houston Pl
2624 W El Paso
505 Hemlock Ave

Area 4 Winners
2053 Joshua Ave
2815 W College St
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Signs put up in the city right-of-way are in violation of a city ordinance and fines can be assessed of up to $750.00 per violation. These signs are subject to being removed by the city, or by designated trained volunteers by the City of Broken Arrow.

A recent change in the ordinance regarding garbage has been made. Your garbage must not be placed on the curb for pickup any earlier than 5:00 PM the day before scheduled pickup. Trash containers, cans, etc., must be moved off the curb no later than 12 hours after scheduled pickup.

If you see a violation regarding any of the above items or any other type violation just contact the Broken Arrow Action Center: (918) 258-3587, and report the violation. You will have to provide your name, telephone number and your address, but your identity is not revealed to anyone. You will also receive a call back from the City advising you of their investigation and action taken on a call.

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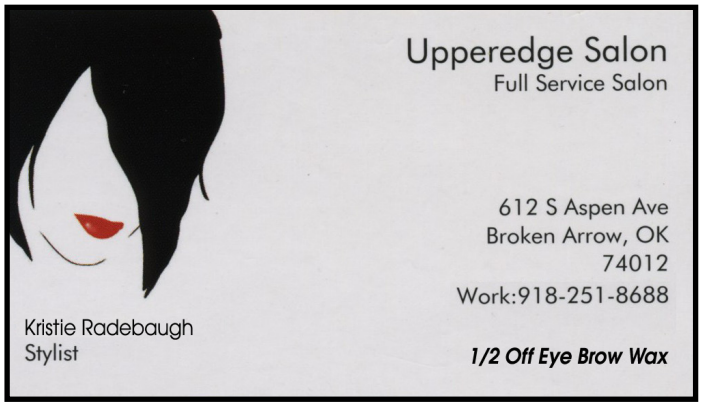

Broken Arrow PAC Events!

December 3, 2011- 2 p.m.	A Time For Christmas 2
December 17, 2011	Ernie Haase & Signature Sound
January 26, 2012	St. Louis Brass
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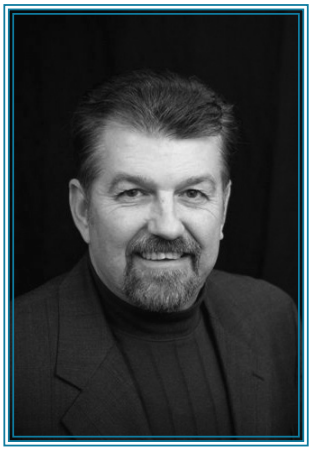

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- Aung San Suu Kyi

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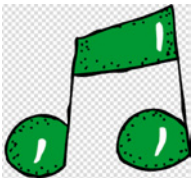

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❑ I would like to help with: ❑ Easter in the Park ❑ Santa in the Park ❑ Entrance Improvement

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