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March 2009

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330 1662

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Newsletter Vacant

Beautification Denise Smith

Events
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1212 Brookhaven Dr
340-6852

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From the President's Pen

The \$8.33 Bargain.

The best bargain in Edmond is right here in Brookhaven North! For \$8.33 a month, your HOA dues provide a lot of value. It keeps our entrances beautiful and our common areas maintained. It provides neighborhood events to bring friends and neighbors together. It helps us keep and improve our property values. Unfortunately, current dues barely cover costs and do

Unfortunately, current dues barely cover costs and do not allow for new improvements unless everyone participates. It really is a great neighborhood so let's keep improving it. Thank you.

> Allen Smith President



Register at

www.BrookavenNorth.org
for a chance to win a \$25 gift card!

By registering, you will:

- Get neighborhood news faster.
- Get website updates immediately.
- Save the HOA printing and postage expense.
- Support our great neighborhood by signing up.
- Get news about the Covell widening and other neighborhood projects sent to your inbox.

For your chance to win:

- Neighbors must register by April 4, 2009.
- Neighbors must include current address and phone number.
- Winner must be a current resident of Brookhaven North subdivision.
- Officers and committee chairs are excluded from winning.

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In the Park

Saturday, April 4, 2009 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Join us for an Easter egg hunt, fun, games, refreshments and prizes.

We will draw for a \$25 gift certificate for all who register at www.BrookhavenNorth.org.



2009 Calendar of Events

2009

April

May 1

Jan to April 4 Webpage Signup Promotion Feb 28 Spring Newsletter Issued

March 28 Block Captain Orientation Meeting March 12 Covenant Committee Orientation Mtg.

April 4 Easter in the Park &

Webpage Signup Drawing
Covenant Committee Survey
Summer Newsletter Issued

May 30 Spring Workday

June 27 30th Anniversary Block Party &

Annual Meeting/Election of Officers

September 1 Fall Newsletter Issued

September 26 Fall Workday

October 3 Neighborhood Garage Sale

October 31 Fall Fun in the Park
November 1 Winter Newsletter Issued
December 13, 14, 15 Christmas Lighting Contest

2010

January 7 Annual Budget Meeting February 4 Annual Planning Meeting

Block Captains

We have recruited most of the Block Captains. A BIG thank-you to all who have volunteered to serve our Neighborhood!



There will be an orientation meeting for all new Block Captains on Saturday, March 28, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at Allen and Denise Smith's home, 2205 Brookhaven Court, 330-1662. We will be notifying all Block Captains again by email of the meeting date.

Congratulations Christmas Decorating Contest Winners!

Best All Around

John and Mary Oseland 2600 Brookdale Ave.

Most Traditional

Connie Ward 2300 Brookside

Most Colorful

Larry Brandenburg & His Daughters 2105 Brookwood Place

Most Animated

Joe and Crystal Moss 915 Northbrook

All winners received a \$25 gift card from Lowes.



That's right, through the years BNHOA lost corporate seal. If any former officer locates please call Allen or Denise at 330-1662.



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Brookhaven HOA 2009 Approved Budget

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Mowing/Chemical Contract	\$5,945	
Utilities	2,750	
Spring and Fall Workday	1,175	
Maintenance	650	
Total Beautification		\$10,520

Technical:

Renew domain name	\$20
Hosting	85
Web Signup incentive	50
Total Technical	\$155

Events:

Easter in the Park	\$200	
30th Anniversary Block Party	400	
Fall Fun in the Park	125	
Christmas Lighting Contest	100	
Misc.	<u>25</u>	
Total Events		\$850

Welcoming:

Baskets \$100

Newsletters:

Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter \$880

Administrative Costs:

Neighborhood Plus	\$1,500	
Gifts	200	
Office (Postage, etc.)	40	
PO Box	60	
Computer Software (Quicken)	80	
Promotional Signs	240	
Misc.	<u>380</u>	
Total Administrative		\$2,500

Grand Total \$15,005



A big Note of Thanks to Jennifer Withers for helping the Beautification Committee with the Christmas Decorations in December.

And to Brian Connelly who graciously provided Landscaping suggestions on how to improve our entrances.



Tucker Holcomb at 1400 Brookhaven Drive Welcome to Brookhaven!

Treasury Report

As of December 31, 2008

Income and Expense

Balance Forward 1/1/08 \$12,560.74

INCOME

Dues Collected	10,788.50
Total Available	\$23,349.24

EXPENSES

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Neighborhood Plus	\$ 1,307.75
Beautification	9,420.13
Committee Expenses	66.80
Computer Expense	19.38
Events	552.37
Gifts	155.95
Legal	390.00
Office	180.78
Postage	123.00
Utilities	3,961.28
Website Hosting	80.00
Other	20.00
Total Expenses	\$16,277.44

Balance Available 12/31/08 \$ 7,071.80

Email address <u>bhtreasury@hotmail.com</u>; please email for any clarification of the report.



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from the Beautification Committee?

Winter Watering

Some of you expressed concern about the freezing water around the sprinklers after watering this winter. Landscape specialists have advised us to water all bushes and grass at least once a week for 30 minutes. To conserve water we are watering once every two weeks. The sprinkler system operates by a valve box, meaning water is released into the system only when a value is opened. Therefore, there is no need to turn the water off and winterize the system. Those sprinkler heads that remain up after watering are worn out and need replaced and do not effect the operation of the value system. We have had a very dry winter. If you have not watered your planting materials this winter, now would be a good time to do so, as lack of water will kill out your grass and bushes and stress your trees. We are, however, concerned with sprinklers covering the roads with freezing ice. If you see this happening, please let us know. We appreciate you caring about your neighborhood.

Creek Bed Debris and Erosion

Our neighbor, Gary Worley, researched the question some of you have been asking for several years and here is the response he received. We thank Gary for taking the initiative to gather and share this information with us.

The OSU extension Center advised not to use branches to control erosion in creek beds, as it will cause further erosion by slowing or blocking the runoff from yards into the creek. While they did not think leaves, grass clippings or small twigs could cause a problem with runoff, they were not certain that these would help to prevent erosion.

The Edmond city engineer's office advised that homeowners are responsible for clearing tree debris and fallen trees from their property that spans the creek, should it threaten to inhibit the flow of water drainage and cause erosion or accumulation of such debris downstream that could bock drainage. Additionally, property owners are responsible for maintaining certain pipelines that span the creek from their home. These pipelines can be damaged from flowing debris rushing through the creeks when water drainage reaches high levels.

Some properties on the creeks have deep back yards or shallow creek beds. Other properties have little or no yards on the creek with deep creek beds that are inaccessible, making erosion a serious problem, and debris removal difficult and expensive, if hired out. To be responsible and neighborly, all property owners on the creek are encouraged to take these potential problems seriously, and keep the creek beds clear as well as using appropriate means to dispose of branches, trees and refuse from their yards and home, rather than putting them in the creek and causing problems for other and themselves. With notification, the city will haul away such debris for a nominal charge. They will also clean out creek beds if necessary to restore property drainage at the expense of negligent homeowners or by increasing our public service rates, if clean out is needed in common property areas. Thank you to our neighbors who cooperate to minimize these problems for all homeowners.



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Would you like to advertise your business?

For \$25 a quarter or \$75 a year, we will place your business card in our newsletter and on the website. Wayne Hlinicky provided mowing services to Brookhaven HOA last year and is our contractor again this year. Gloria (Harper) Vass lives in our very own addition.

All proceeds go to offset newsletter costs. Call Denise Smith at 330-1662.



Gloria Harper Phone (Home) 359-7943
Red Cross Water Safety Instructor (Cell) 205-7202

Red Cross Swimming Lessons
Group and Private Lessons
Discounts for siblings 2113 Brookhaven Dr.
Edmond, OK

Covell Widening Project

In November 2008, several BNHOA officers attended the initial City of Edmond community meeting of the Covell Widening Project. We learned the City plans to widen Covell in sections between Hwy 74 to I-35. The City projected it would widen the Covell street section between Broadway and Bryant, next to Brookhaven, to four lanes in 2013.

The Covell Road Corridor Environmental Assessment (noise levels) and the aerials with the proposed roadway improvements are located on the Triad Design Group web page at www.triaddesigngroup.com. On their website, go to NEWS. Under the heading Transportation, select 'Covell Road Public Hearing, November 13, 2008' and then select the document or aerial you wish to view.



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Brookhaven North HOA Information Update		
Are you new to Brookhaven or have things changed? Please provide us with an update.		
Resident's Name(s):	Comments/Ideas:	
Resident's Address:		
Edmond, OK 73034		
Home Phone:		
Cell:		
Fax:Email Address:		
	Mail to:	
	okhaven North HOA	
	PO Box 30251 ond, OK 73003-0005	

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