

The WedgeWord

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Newsletter of the Wedgewood Homeowners Association
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Welcome to the Neighborhood

- 1601 W Knoxville – Vernon & Deborah Baker
- 909 S Redbud Av – Kevin & Donella Jacobs
- 2017 W Oak Ridge St –Juanita Harris
- 1928 W Oak Ridge St –Michael Price & Amber Day

*Stop by and say hello to your new neighbors.
If you are interested in being a part of our Welcoming
Committee, call **Darrel Jones at 251-4166***

Landscape Update

Your Board of Directors has contracted with Blessed Ground Maintenance of Broken Arrow to do the mowing, fertilizing, and weed control of our common areas along Aspen, Houston and around the pool. We owe Greg Lantay much gratitude for scheduling a load of dirt and having the city of BA spread it to fill ruts left by utility trucks during the ice storm. Greg also arranged for the city to remove the tree debris that someone piled up in front of the Wedgewood sign at the Oakridge entrance. This will allow the new lawn crew to mow and weed the flower beds. Thanks Greg!

Tree Tips

Public Service of Oklahoma publishes an excellent planning guide for homeowners regarding to the planting of trees. You can request a copy by calling PSO Forestry at 1-800-305-6742, ask for "Tree Tips". Another great source of information concerning the ice storm damage to your trees can be found at www.forestry.ok.gov/ice-storm-damage.

A special THANKS to Bob Galley for his service the last several years as our Landscape Chairman. If anyone would like to join our Landscape Committee or just let us know of things you would like see done, please call or contact your area representative or any board member.

HOA Assessments

Thank you to the 82% of our residents who have already paid their 2007-08 assessments. An invoice is being mailed for any outstanding assessments.

Pool Opens Saturday, May 24th

WOW! Welcome back to another summer of fun at the pool! I am thrilled to manage the pool again this summer and look forward to meeting our new members and welcoming back the familiar faces! I hope that everyone is excited for the start of the season as we are!

The best kept secret came through again with extra help from the Fundraising Team. They collected almost \$2500.00 to replace the pool tiles. The **Modern Woodmen** will match for a total of \$5000.00. To receive the donation we are hosting a fund raiser during the Memorial Weekend on **Monday, May 26th**. We will sell Hotdog Meals (hotdog, chips, cookie and drink) for \$4.00; guests can swim for \$3.00! Please join us on Monday to show the Modern Woodmen our appreciation!

To keep cost down, there are always a few small items you could pick up at the store and donate to the pool.... ponytail holders, waterproof Band-Aids, sun block, water balls, diving stick and/or rings -- any water toys.

Don't forget the **concession stand**... It is full of great snacks, drinks and ice cream. We sell punch cards in the amount of \$5.00, \$10.00 or \$20.00 so that your child will not have to bring money to the pool each time and take a chance on it getting lost.

Swim Lessons will once again be offered. We have two instructors this year to offer more opportunity. If interested please call **258-6888** for more information.

Be sure and take advantage of the Early bird Special... take note of your **pool membership flyer enclosed**. We offer family memberships and individual rates for your child that is 13 years or older. There is also a grandparents' plan. If you are a Senior Citizen and a Wedgewood resident and would like to use the pool when family comes to visit for a week or weekend, please call for prices.

Teen Nights are back by popular demand on the first Tuesday of each month from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. You must be 13 to attend. Bring your friends and have a great time playing volleyball, diving, and just hanging out. We will have concessions available and maybe even order pizza.
June 3rd, July 1st, August 5th

I would like to say, "Thank you" in advance for making this season a success. It takes all of us to make things happen in this great neighborhood. The Life guards and I look forward to getting to know you and your family.

Kayla Cardenas, Pool Manager (**Pool: 258-6888**)

Creek/Greenbelt Update

Even though seven (7) good sized dams clearly and obviously are blocking the creek in the Green Belt, City of Broken Arrow's Flood Control Engineer stated that justifying clearance right now isn't a priority because water appears to be flowing satisfactorily. The City Engineer and Greg Lantay conducted a 45 minute walking inspection of the entire Greenbelt from S. Lions @ Jackson Place to S. Aspen south of Oakridge on March 6, 2008. The City Engineer verifies the creek from Knoxville to S. Aspen is City owned and in need of considerable tree trimming. Clearance and removal of limbs and debris is unquestionably necessary. His report will be forwarded to Steve Arrant for scheduling as ground conditions, water level, manpower allocations, and funding allow.

The City of Broken Arrow has assigned the following priority to Wedgewood II, III, IV:

- 1): Removal of tree cuttings from along Street – Done
- 2): Cleaning of streets with sweeper - late April/early May.
- 3): Storm Water Basin debris removal -- before the end of the summer 2008.

News from the City of Broken Arrow

The annual "**Free Spring Clean-up Day**" for BA has been set for **Saturday, May 3rd** at the Maintenance Center. BA residents can drive in with trucks, trailers or car loads of yard trash, old furniture and other items (no appliances with hazardous gases, such as Freon.) City crews will be available to help with unloading. If you still need assistance with limbs in your yard, please call your area representative.

Annual Elections

At the Wedgewood Annual Meeting – Part II (continuation of the November meeting), the following new officers of the board were elected:

- Vice President – Rick Smith
- Treasurer – Demory Green
- Area 3 Representative – Victoria Douthitt
- Area 4 Representative – Tim Thummel

Welcome Victoria (Tori) and Tim to the board and thanks to all the above for volunteering to work for the future of Wedgewood.

Audit Report

At the annual meeting in November, a motion was passed that we have a financial audit. After sifting through nine firms, the board engaged Morse and Company. In December, Craig Weaver and I met with Marvin Morse, explained our needs, and with his help, condensed the topics from the Audit Topic Committee into a workable plan. Mr. Morse was hired to perform an Agreed Upon Procedures Engagement based on those recommendations. He and an assistant looked at the QuickBooks entries, bank statements, supporting documentation for checks, taxes and payroll items. They found no major problems. They also advised us that QuickBooks could be reformatted to provide balance sheets and other statements in a more readable form. This service will cost approximately \$300, in addition to the \$1500 we paid for the engagement. If you would like a copy of the report, please contact your area representative or any Board member. It is also posted on our website. Submitted by Nancy Strothmann

City Action Line

258-3587

Is there an ongoing eyesore in your neighbor's yard? Call the City Action Line. All information regarding the caller is kept confidential.

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