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For those who have never experienced Halloween in Heritage Hills, be prepared for a busy night! People come from all over to trick or treat in our neighborhood and you will go through lots of bags of candy. This year will be even busier since Halloween falls on a Saturday night.

HAPPY TRICK OR TREATING!



COME SUPPORT SAINT ANTHONY'S AT
SAINTOBERFEST
Friday, October 16th
6:30PM-9PM
NW 9th & Walker

What a better way to thank Saint Anthony's for all their neighborhood support by attending their inaugural Saintoberfest. Dozens of beers, snack, food trucks, live music, and games. Helping others never tasted so good! Tickets are \$35 in advance (\$40 at the door). Go to stahf.ejoinme.org to purchase your tickets or contact Celena McCord at 405-272-6430

HOME TOUR THANK YOU!

The 49th Annual Home Tour was a success - beautiful homes and weather, good crowds, food, and fun! Come to the General Meeting October 8th (see below) to hear more!

A big thank you to our homeowners: Ron & Denise Suttles, Tom & Elizabeth Richards, Russ & Rickie Fray, Tom Brown, Ruffin Family Home, Ed & Courtney Blau, and of course to Preservation OK for the Overholser Mansion.

We also wanted to thank all our volunteers that helped make the weekend a success! It started out with the sold out Twilight Tour organized by Som Carman and ended with the well deserved Volunteer Party run by Merideth Ferris and Chelsea Smith. Oklahoma Contemporary Arts Center, our soon to be new neighbor, taught our guests how to make yarn dolls and Mike Parr's Vintage Ford V-8 Cars made the event special. All the local musicians, food trucks, and pop-up shops just added to the enjoyable atmosphere!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Please look through the Tour catalog and support the businesses that generously sponsored the Home Tour. Without their support, our event would not be possible!

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| 110 Events | Good Egg Dining Group | Notting Hill Antiques |
| 23rd Street Antique Mall | Grand Dental Studio | Pirates Alley |
| 822 Salon | In The Raw | Prairie Thunder Baking Co. |
| Accel Staffing | Interior Gilt | RCB Bank |
| Broadway Clinic | Joullian Wine | Red Rock Landscape & Design |
| Broadway Wine Merchants | The Learning Tree | Sonic |
| Byrons Liquor | Lillian Strickler Lighting | St. Anthony Hospital |
| Café Do Brasil | Lola Baker | Stella |
| Classen View Vet | Mariposa MedSpa | Urban Kitchens |
| digiPrint | McBride Clinic | Verbode |
| EdmondEstateSales.com | Mercedes-Benz of Oklahoma City | Viceroy Grille |
| Emerson Events | Minick Materials | Westminster School |

WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD!

Ryan McDonald & Roxanne Coberly
300 NW 16th Street



OCTOBER HERITAGE HILLS GENERAL MEETING

OCTOBER 8th, 2015
6:30PM
THE EDGE ROOFTOP
1325 N. Walker Avenue

Guest Speaker: Meg Salyer, Ward 6 Councilman for Oklahoma City

COME MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS & LEARN ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON IN OKLAHOMA CITY!



OCTOBER HAPPENINGS

Oct. 1 – Fall Pictures

Oct. 12-24 – No School, Fall Break

Seeking an Afternoon Crossing Guard

Wilson is looking for someone to help children cross Walker & 22nd from 3pm-3:30pm. Please contact Wilson School at (405) 587-7100 for more information.

Tutors Needed for Wilson

Wilson is looking for tutors to spend 30 minutes a week to tutor students. If you cannot commit to weekly sessions, find a friend and split the time! If interested, contact Katy Leffel at (405) 922-5420.

Congratulations to Brenton Massey

George and Susan Massey's son, Brenton Charles Massey, D.O, graduated from the Oklahoma State University Medical School this past May. He is now doing his Neurology Residency at the University of Kansas Medical Hospital in Kansas City, KS.

Gaylord-Pickens Happenings

Thursday, October 8th 6PM-7PM

Bert Seabourn: American Expressionist Exhibit Lecture

Join Oklahoma City artist Bert Seabourn as he leads a lecture and demonstration in conjunction with the current temporary exhibit. Seabourn is a painter, printmaker, and sculptor. He will provide a painting demonstration and discuss themes and inspiration for his work.

Thursday, October 15th 10AM

Storytime & Craft

On the Third Thursday of each month come listen to a story followed by a craft. \$3 admission; children under the age of 5 are free.

GARAGE APARTMENT

Available Immediately

2 BR/1 Bath, Full kitchen, W/D

Alarm System, On-site parking, pool privileges

\$530/mo plus utilities

Feed/walk dog/water plants in owner's absence

No pets

Please call 524-3206

New OKC App for Code Compliance Issues

If you have questions or issues regarding code compliance in Heritage Hills, go to codecompliance@heritagehills.org or call Diane Worthington at 405-816-9835.



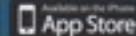
Download OKC's Free Mobile App!



Use the OKC Gov app to report code violations in Oklahoma City such as tall grass and weeds, graffiti, potholes, yard parking, illegally placed signs, park concerns and junk and debris. The easy-to-use app uses global positioning to determine your location and allows you to take a photo of the problem to submit with the report. The report will be sent to the appropriate City department.

The app also allows you to report missed trash, review City job openings, see the bus schedule, view the ward map, watch Channel 20 and get disaster preparedness information.

find the app at okc.gov/action



Plant Stand is Back & Urban Teahouse Open at the Rise

The Plant Stand is returning to Midtown this fall season! He will have mums, pansies, cabbage, kale and a large variety of pumpkins, including the very large Big Mac pumpkins. He is doing a give back of 5% to neighborhood associations, so mention Heritage Hills!



urban teahouse

The Urban Teahouse has opened at the Rise, known as a place for community, for tea (coffee too!), and local art. They serve over 100 varieties of loose leaf teas that can be savored at the teahouse or purchased by weight to take home. Entrance is from the north side of The Rise.

New Editor for Heritage Newsletter

Katy Leffel will be taking over the Heritage Newsletter starting with the November issue. Thank you for all your submissions and helping me continue the tradition of the Heritage Newsletter to keep you informed of all the happenings in our great neighborhood! Please continue to send any information to newsletter@heritagehills.org.

Heritage Hills Helps Bring New Technology to Classen School of Advanced Studies

written by Patty Grotta

As Margaret Mead once said, “Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.” Heritage Hills residents exemplify this sentiment every day. And education is but one of many areas in which Heritage Hills residents have made a difference over the last decade. This is so because residents recognize that providing quality education in neighborhood public schools improves the quality of life for us all.

In 2005, a small group of thoughtful, committed Heritage Hills residents (Miles & Molly Tolbert, Leslie Batchelor, Chuck & Renate Wiggin and Amy & Dean Sergent) formed Wilson Arts, Inc., a non-profit corporation providing community support to Wilson Arts Integration Elementary School. They approached HPI—a slightly larger thoughtful, committed group—for aid in their efforts to change the world of education for the many Heritage Hills children who attended the school. The HPI board voted to support Wilson Arts, Inc. and provided crucial funding for building renovations and the historic fencing around the school.

Last year, another small group, including resident Patty Grotta, banded together to form the non-profit corporation Achieving Classen Excellence, Inc. (ACE), whose purpose is to provide community support for Classen School of Advanced Studies (CSAS). Many children from Heritage Hills, Mesta Park and Heritage Hills East attend CSAS which is both a middle school and high school. The school is unique and has the Oklahoma City Public School District’s (OKCPS) only International Baccalaureate program as well as a renowned visual and performing arts program. One of the critical issues facing CSAS at that time was its lack of current technology. Unlike most district schools, CSAS does not qualify for federal Title I funds, which is how the district funds technology projects in other district schools. ACE approached HPI about providing seed money for its fledgling group to address the lack of technology resources at CSAS. With the belief that the improvement of schools in historic districts, especially those serving children in our neighborhood, are critical to the continued success and desirability of our neighborhood, HPI voted to support ACE with a \$10,000 gift over two years.

With encouragement and support from resident and former School Board Chair Cliff Hudson, ACE board members and ACE supporter, education advocate and resident Linda Schulz met with OKCPS Superintendent Rob Neu, OKCPS Board Chair Lynn Hardin and School Board Member Laura Massenat to discuss possible solutions to resolve the disparity issue in technology between CSAS and other district schools. The District agreed the lack of parity in technology required correction.

This past summer the District purchased and installed nine new Smartboards as well as Mac computers for arts classrooms. Every other classroom was outfitted with a new projection and screen system. HPI’s generous donation allowed ACE to provide the necessary licensing fee for this new technology. This much needed technology upgrade allows CSAS students the capability to connect locally and internationally for collaboration in science, math and language labs as well as the ability to arrange and compose music. CSAS is also receiving a windfall from some left over technology dollars from a 2007 city tax initiative that will be used to replace the wireless infrastructure down to the classroom level. This project will allow students and staff to have hundreds of devices in common areas and access the Internet with their own devices. The value for such a replacement is \$46,750 at \$850 per device. ACE, Principal Dr. Ashley Davis and CSAS students and staff are grateful to Heritage Hills for its support.

HPI’s commitment to improving education is also evidenced by the recent formation of its Education Committee chaired by Mary Kay Gumerlock. The committee will explore ways Heritage Hills residents can support the efforts to improve our neighborhood schools with volunteers and partnerships. The committee hopes to create a stronger connection between Heritage Hills and OKCPS and to publicize and educate the larger community about options within the OKCPS. Heritage Hills is changing the world of education and is a great place to live.



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Event Calendar at a Glance

**OPEN
STREETS
OKC**

NW 23RD ST
between
Western&Robinson



3-22-15

12 to 4

PROMOTING AN
ACTIVE & HEALTHY COMMUNITY

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Boathouse

, NW 5th

6:30PM, Th



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