



North Coronado Heights Neighborhood Association

MAY 2024

Next Meeting

Our next bi-monthly meeting is on Tuesday, **May 28 at 6:30 p.m.** at Messiah Lutheran Church, on the southeast corner of Portland and N.W. Expressway. Our guest speaker will be Oklahoma County Sheriff Tommie Johnson III. We've asked Sheriff Johnson to tell us a bit about a few of the major issues facing county law enforcement, including the latest information on the location and cost of the proposed Oklahoma County Detention Center. There will be time for you to ask questions at the end of his presentation. Join us for an informative session!

Celebrate the Start of Summer: Meet Us in the Park!

NCHNA will host a "School's Out" Bash in N. Rotary Park on Saturday, June 1 from 12 to 2 p.m. With the Putnam City Schools term ending in mid-May, it's a good time for families to kick off their summer!

N. Coronado Heights residents of all ages are invited to come for a free hot dog and other treats. It's a good chance to



meet your neighbors, especially if you are relatively new to the area. Just bring a lawn chair

and relax in the park with a classic summertime lunch. There will be active games for the kids, including Kickball, Yard Yahtzee, Whiffle Ball, and Bean Bag Toss. We will be in the part of the park that is east of Tulsa Avenue, near the playground equipment. Turn east off N. Tulsa Avenue at 57th Street and park near the Satellite Gym.

Leaders Re-elected at Annual Meeting

Our current NCHNA leaders were re-elected to another one-year term in office at the March 26 Annual Meeting. No other candidates offered their names for consideration. The returning officers are: Greg Brunsman, president; Jason Warfe, secretary, and Connie Scharbor, treasurer.

Each year, members vote on an amount for voluntary dues, which members are asked to pay to help defray the cost of NCHNA projects and

routine operations. This year, the board recommended an increase from \$10 to \$15 per household per year. However, a motion was made by one of the members to increase dues to \$20 instead, and the vote of the membership was overwhelmingly in favor of this change.

Members were asked what issues were of concern for the coming year. Speeding along Tulsa Avenue was a top concern, along with "hot rodding" type behavior in

the parking lot at N. Rotary Park. The need for repairs to lighting in the park was also mentioned. Members asked that we have signs made publicizing our upcoming meetings to replace the signs we lost due to vandalism a few years ago.

An estimated budget of \$1,750 was approved by the members to cover anticipated 2024-25 expenses. These include signage, event costs, postage, copying, website hosting, and miscellaneous expenses.

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**NCHNA
News in Brief**

◆ **Police Holding Town Hall on RTIC.** The OKC Police Department is hosting a Town Hall meeting on the Department’s Real Time Information Center, the system now in development which will be used to enhance the PD’s ability to prevent and solve crimes through use of electronic surveillance. Officers will answer questions about the system and will conduct a demonstration of drone technology. The session will start at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21, at the Healthy Living Center, 11501 N. Rockwell Avenue. Register by

visiting the Neighborhood Alliance website at <https://nacok.org> and clicking on the Events link.

◆ **Remember Odd/Even Watering.** We’ve had good spring showers, but it won’t be long until the heat sets in and most of us will want to supplement Mother Nature by watering our lawns. Remember to follow the odd/even system, whereby residents with house numbers ending in odd numbers water only on odd-numbered days of the month, and those with even house numbers water on even-numbered days. The system helps balance demand on city water supplies while still permitting sufficient water usage to keep our lawns green and healthy.



Sheryl Bacon, left, and Darlene Michael were two of the crime patrol volunteers attending an NCHNA-sponsored appreciation lunch on April 24. Patrollers received a small gift card for gas as a Thank You for their service to the patrol program.

◆ **Volunteers Fight Neighborhood Litter.**

Thanks to a group of NCHNA volunteers, major streets in our neighborhood got a cleanup on April 27 during our annual Litter Blitz project. We appreciate the work of McKayla Carpenter-Robertson, Tavis Robertson, Jana Pitt, Jason Warfe, Ava Warfe, Greg Brunsman, Ted Stevens, and Jon Jameson, and we thank Lydia Hedrick for donating supplies. Litter Blitz is sponsored by Oklahoma City Beautiful and the City of Oklahoma City.



Litter Blitz volunteers Jana Pitt, left, and Jon Jameson.

◆ **Are We Able to Reach You?**

If you have not yet supplied NCHNA with your phone number, or if your number has changed, please update us so that our watch patrollers can reach out to you in case they see something suspicious or hazardous at your address. Your number will not be shared or published, just used by our crime patrol volunteers in these kinds of situations. Email us with your name, address, and phone number at northcoronado@gmail.com.

◆ **Patrol Training Scheduled.**

The next training session for those who wish to become part of our crime watch patrol will be held Saturday, June 8 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Santa Fe Division of the OKC Police Department, 9000 S. Santa Fe Avenue. Remember, completion of training is required before you can join the watch patrol program. Register by visiting <https://nacok.org> and clicking on the Events link.