



# Gatewood Newsletter

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The Board of Directors meetings are always held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Meerschaert House at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. Any neighbor interested in attending is welcome!

## Hello Again!

Winter is officially over and spring officially begins this month! Our neighborhood will only get livelier by the week with more community and family activities! We have many upcoming events including the Annual Gatewood Neighborhood meeting, the neighborhood-wide garage sale, and the beginning of Yard of the Month season! Please be sure to check our neighborhood calendar on our website at [www.GatewoodOKC.com](http://www.GatewoodOKC.com) for even more information on activities going on in and around our neighborhood, such as Live on the Plaza and the Arts Counsel of OKC Arts Festival.

## Gatewood Seed & Plant Exchange



Do you have a surplus of plant materials and want to exchange them for plants and seeds you don't have? If so, please attend the Gatewood Seed and Plant Exchange on Saturday morning from 9:00 am to noon, April 17<sup>th</sup>, at Triangle Park (located at the intersection of 21<sup>st</sup> and Indiana Avenue). Exchanges are free and it's simple: just bring something and take something away. For more info, please call Janet Seefeldt, 525-9441.



## Litter Blitz

April is Litter Blitz month and each year OKC Beautiful sponsors this City wide effort to pick up trash and beautify neighborhoods. Gatewood has participated in the Litter Blitz event for many years by targeting two or three selected areas of our neighborhood. OKC Beautiful supplies the trash bags and gloves and we supply the labor! If you would like to volunteer a few hours of your time, please show up at 9:00 am on Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. We meet on the south side of Classen High School (on the corner of NW 17<sup>th</sup> and Douglas) to hand out the gloves and bags. All ages are welcome but young children do need to be accompanied by a parent. We normally work until about Noon and the bags of trash are placed in a local dumpster. If you have any questions, please call Janet Seefeldt at 525-9441.

## Gatewood Annual Garage Sale



For the last 12 years Gatewood has held a garage sale weekend event and it has become very popular with both residents and garage sale goers! The date of this year's garage sale weekend is May 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday). Start collecting those castoffs and get 'em ready to find a new home!

For those of you new to the neighborhood, this event often draws customers by the hundreds and we

have had as many as 47 Gatewood garage sales on that designated weekend. This is a benefit offered to Gatewood residents, not a fundraiser. You keep your profits. The newspaper ad which shows Gatewood neighborhood boundaries and generic start and end times, is paid for by the neighborhood. Each neighbor who signs up to have a garage sale that weekend gets fliers listing each sale address to hand out to their customers. This way, everyone gets good advertising ensuring good attendance. We also place signs at the neighborhood entry points alerting motorists that it's Gatewood Garage Sale weekend!

The only cost to you is the garage sale permit (\$7.00) required by the City. You can get your permit by calling 297-2606 and, as long as your account is in good standing, the \$7.00 fee is added to your water bill. You will be given your permit number, which is good for three consecutive days, and you must display it during your sale.

Please send an email to [jkseefeldt@aol.com](mailto:jkseefeldt@aol.com) or call 525-9441 and ask for Janet Seefeldt by May 11<sup>th</sup> to register for the sale. If you don't get an answer, just leave your name, address, phone number, and the days you want to hold your sale. Your fliers will be delivered to you no later than May 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Gatewood Featured Business:

### SWEET TEA

Let's support our local neighborhood businesses! Sweet Tea is a neighborhood restaurant on the corner of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street & Douglas.

Sweet Tea is open from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm, Monday through Saturday and 11:00 am to 5:00 pm on Sunday. If you bring in this Newsletter you will get 10% off your meal!

Please let us know if you are a business owner in the Gatewood neighborhood so we can feature your business in our Newsletter!

### Christmas Lighting Contest Winners



It's never too late to congratulate our winners! Remember, we are quickly approaching that Yard of the Month time of year so let's keep those flower beds and sleepy lawns in mind!

#### **First Place:**

Residents of  
1941 NW 19<sup>th</sup>

#### **Second Place:**

Lynn and Judith Albright of  
1900 N Indiana Avenue

#### **Third Place:**

Greg and Rhonda Stevenson of  
2020 N. Indiana Avenue

### What impact has the OKC Thunder had on Oklahoma City?

Dr. Bryan Finch from OSU and Dr. Aaron Clopton from LSU are examining the impact that the OKC Thunder have had on the community in Oklahoma City. If you would be willing to take an anonymous online survey, please go to [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/okc\\_community](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/okc_community). Results from the study will be presented at an international academic business

conference this May and Dr. Finch has promised to follow up with us on the findings of the survey. Further details appear on the survey website, or questions can be directed to Dr. Finch at: [bryan.finch@okstate.edu](mailto:bryan.finch@okstate.edu). This link is also available on our Gatewood neighborhood website.

### Architecture Tour



The American Institute of Architects Central Oklahoma Chapter will host the ninth annual Architecture Tour on Saturday, April 17, from noon to 5:00 p.m. as part of Architecture Week 2010. Architecture Week is a week-long series of events that promotes the important role that good design plays in every community. The self-guided tour includes residential homes and commercial buildings that capitalize on the design talents of Oklahoma architects, as Oklahoma City celebrates 100 years as Oklahoma's Capitol City. Buildings include the Flaming Lips Home, the Fitzsimmons Residence, RR Residence, the Oklahoma Case Study House, Infant Crisis Services, Visual Image, and United Way of Central Oklahoma. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 the day of the tour. Please go to [www.aiacoc.org](http://www.aiacoc.org) for more event details and information on purchasing tickets.

#### Note from the Editor

If you are holding a fun event on your block and would like to invite the neighborhood or if you have any questions or something you would like to contribute to this Newsletter, please send an email to [gatewoodeditor@yahoo.com](mailto:gatewoodeditor@yahoo.com). It's nice to hear about Gatewood happenings and it encourages others to do the same!

# Plant the Plaza: Donate Now!

**April 10**

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spring planting event

To help the Plaza District Association, donate plants, dollars for plants, and materials to any Plaza District business through April 10th. The following are needed items: **Plants:** - Potato Vine & Geraniums - **Donations:** - can be made at Velvet Monkey Salon, Collected Thread, Everything Goes Dance, Shop Good, Bad Granny's Bazaar, and Warpaint Clothing or at [www.plazadistrict.org/getinvolved.html](http://www.plazadistrict.org/getinvolved.html) - **Materials:** - Potting Soil, Garden Tools, Large Pots - "Plant the Plaza" is also seeking **Volunteers** - for a March 25th and April 10th workday event. Please contact [kristen@plazadistrict.org](mailto:kristen@plazadistrict.org) to sign up as a volunteer. "Plant the Plaza" is also held in conjunction with Keep Oklahoma Beautiful's "Great American Clean-Up".

Spring is near, and the Plaza District is gearing up for a beautiful season. Help the Plaza District Association "Plant the Plaza" by donating plants, dollars for plants and materials to plant in the district for a volunteer event on April 10th. In conjunction with the Central AIA Architecture Tour scheduled for April 17th, the Central AIA chapter will host a community service event to spruce up the Plaza District for spring. In addition, Wayne Coyne, whose home will be featured on the tour will make an appearance at the volunteer event to thank the community. To help the Plaza District Association, donate plants, dollars for plants, and materials to any Plaza District business through April 10th.

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