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BRADY HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.

Brady Heights Neighbor-to-Neighbor Directory Coming!

In the next week you will be receiving a questionnaire from Brady Heights Neighborhood Association on your door.

In order to encourage neighborliness and to promote closer communication among the residents of our neighborhood, the Brady Heights Neighborhood Association is announcing plans to compile a directory of the residents of our neighborhood. Our association has printed directories in the past and it is time for an update. The directory will be produced for the **sole use of neighborhood residents and will never be publicly distributed.** The directory will include basic contact information about who our neighbors are, along with information about businesses that are operated by our Brady Heights residents.

The Neighborhood Association urges you to complete this short form. The

Association believes improving communication can improve neighborhood safety and security. Having information such as email addresses and phone numbers will also allow more efficient and quick response communication with residents by the Association, rather than relying solely on the monthly newsletter. With improved communication we can easily survey our residents about potential interest in new programs or services.

After all the resident information is collected, the Neighborhood Association will compile the directory. As a service to our Brady Heights residents, a directory will be provided at no charge to each household that returns this form by Labor Day. To protect the privacy of our residents, only households that provide contact information will receive a

directory. **The directory will never be distributed electronically.**

Do you own a business or have a hobby that you would like listed on our website? We plan to post a list of businesses and services on the Brady Heights website to give our residents the opportunity to patronize neighborhood businesses before we go looking elsewhere in the phonebook. If you're a business owner, the Association can provide free advertising on bradyheights.org and advertising space in our monthly newsletter from time to time, depending upon the availability of space.

The directory effort will also be used to compile a general occupational picture of our neighborhood. This information will not be published – a summary report will be used to help market Brady Heights on our website and in press releases.

Green Collar Energy featured at the Brady Heights meeting

Q: What's a "Green Collar"? A: An energy efficient home with a reduced carbon footprint that saves you money. Home energy costs run about \$3000 per year for an average home, yet much of that is lost through inefficiencies. Plan to attend the June BHNA meeting to learn how investments to improve air quality, add healthy filters and seal ducts can cut your utility bills and add value to your home. According to the EPA, for each \$1 saved on annual energy bills, a home's value jumps \$10 to \$25. Find out more at www.greencollarenergy.com.



Monthly Brady Heights Neighborhood Meeting

Saturday, June 21, 10 am

Centenary Methodist Church, Golden and North Denver

Brady Heights Blog coming soon

www.bradyheights.org

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Music news from the Aycock

Scott is having a house concert on June 14 with Johnathan Byrd and Karen Mal. It will be held at our home or at Tepecca Coffee House downtown. I will send out a reminder to the neighbors on my list when Scott nails down the details but if you don't usually get my house concert announcements then please email me at artistswaygallery@yahoo.com.

Son Dylan recently put out a new CD (The Doldrums) and is a major player on another new CD (Mar: The Sound). Both can be found on his website: <http://myspace.com/thedoldrumsmusic>, kind of ambient folk/electronic. Son Jesse is playing on the Dustin Pittsley CD that just came out and is in a new music video by TJ McFarland. You can check those out on his website at <http://myspace.com/jesseaycock>. Also if you can brave the smoke it is well worth it to hear Jesse and Dustin's Higher Education Show each Thursday night at Mc Nellies. It is tons of fun.

This Place Matters!

The National Trust's campaign for Preservation Month this year is called "This Place Matters" and they are asking people to submit photographs of their favorite place, holding a sign saying the same. To record your entry, take a picture of yourself or your group in front of your favorite Tulsa historic site. Email your photo and a paragraph about why "This Place Matters" to Amanda DeCort at the Historic Preservation Commission: adecort@ci.tulsa.ok.us. You can see other submissions, which already include some famous parts of Tulsa heritage at: <http://my.preservationnation.org/site/PageServer?pagename=thisplacematters>



Meet the neighbors: Tulsa Craft Mafia founder Tara Mason-Harris

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"For many, crafting is a hobby. For others, it's a way of life. The Tulsa Craft Mafia provides refuge for those who eat, breathe and live to craft." The Tulsa Craft Mafia provides an opportunity to preserve handicraft skills that have served our grandmother and mothers for generations but would not have become a Tulsa fixture without the efforts of Brady Heights neighbor Tara Mason-Harris. The Tulsa organization's founder Tara Mason-Harris (center in group photo) began the group in 2006 after having been a member of the Denton Craft Mafia. Tara and her husband, Luke, moved into the 1100 block of North Cheyenne at the end of 2007.

Harris has been a crafter for quite some time. Growing up, she spent a lot of

time creating original pieces at her grandmother's home. "I had free reign over her house, and crafting came naturally," she says. Her childhood creations were often fashioned from scraps of fabric or hand soap. Homemade Barbie clothes were a favorite project. "I remember rummaging through (grandmother's) garage to find different things that I could turn into a piece of art," Harris recalls. "It started in my childhood and over the years my mom or grandmother would teach me how to sew and how to make different crafts. Now I've taken that a step further and researched (crafting) and tried to figure out how to make it better." Harris feels her generation is taking up traditional pastimes such as knitting and crocheting as

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a means to keep those art forms alive.

TCM offers several events throughout the year to their members. Last year the group helped sponsor Tulsa's first Indie Emporium, a two-day event that brought craft vendors, an art gallery, workshops and demonstrations under one roof. Last

year's event brought out 40 vendors from across the state and plans are in the works for this year's event. Their products are also available in local stores, including Dwelling Spaces, and on-line from etsy.com and indiepublic.com.

Brady Heights Neighborhood Walk

The Brady Heights Neighborhood Association invites you to walk the neighborhood with your neighbors. Every Sunday evening at 6:00 pm we start our walks at our beautiful community garden located at 1146 N Cheyenne. We walk around the neighborhood and end up back at the community garden.

This is healthy way to enjoy the neighborhood, get to know your neighbors, and get some exercise. Please join us. Strollers welcome!

We plan to continuing walking until the cold weather comes. If you would like an email reminder for the walk, please email marissa@feelingismutual.com.

Congratulations to Steve Liggett and Living Arts of Tulsa

Living Arts of Tulsa is proud to announce that it has been selected by the National Performance Network to become a full Partner. Living Arts of Tulsa will now become the first Partner in NPN from Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota (the Midwestern Region). The National Performance Network (NPN) is a group of diverse cultural organizers, including artists, working to create meaningful partnerships and to provide leadership that enables the practice and public experience of the arts in the United States.

This new partnership will help Living

Arts of Tulsa to support more programs designed to create, produce, present and provide training in the performing arts. It will also boost our abilities to 1) actively work with local artists to help them reach a national audience; and 2) bring in artists from the national arena to enrich our local community. NPN Partners share information about trends in the field, best practices, and the performing artists whose works circulate within, between, and beyond their communities. Together, the NPN Partners function as an applied learning community through which new ideas, techniques, and art move around the country.

Brady Heights featured by "This Old House" National Preservation Conference

"This Old House" website is developing a feature about the Best Old House neighborhoods in America – one from each state. Representing the state of Oklahoma, Brady Heights was selected for its historic homes, sense of community, affordability and ongoing revitalization. Look for our BH historic district on the web soon!

In addition, Brady Heights will be featured at the National Historic Trust's Annual Preservation Conference, which will be held in Tulsa in October of this year. Our neighborhood will be part of a half-day field session highlighting the transformation and preservation of historic structures to accommodate modern living.

Living Arts of Tulsa June Events

ART 365 – Installations by Joseph Daun, Sarah Atlee, and Live4This, continues through June 14 at Liggett Studio. Art 365, the exhibition from the Oklahoma Visual Arts Coalition, offered six Oklahoma artists a year and \$10,000 to hone their unique approaches to art and to develop a body of work that expresses their identities as artists. Sarah Atlee, Joseph Daun, and Darshan Phillips and Aaron Whisner in a collaboration called Live4This were each selected from a statewide call for proposals. For more information about Art 365, please visit www.Art365.org

New Arts Camp p - A Special Art Camp that weaves together Sound, Movement, Video and Sculpture. June 16-27. There are still scholarships available!

Momentum Tulsa: Art Doesn't Stand Still 2008 - June 21, 8-12 pm. Art doesn't stand still. Well, at least not at the Oklahoma Visual Arts Coalition's annual event Momentum Tulsa: Art Doesn't Stand Still. Now in its fifth year, the exhibit and party will take place on Saturday, June 21, from 8pm-Midnight. Once again, it will take over Living Arts and Liggett Studio at 308 and 314 S. Kenosha Ave., as well as the street, creating a block-party atmosphere.

Make Your Concerns Known – Tulsa Streets

Town hall meetings have been scheduled through the months of June and July for discussion about needed citywide street improvements and possible funding sources. Tulsa residents are encouraged to attend any of these meetings to offer comments and receive information.

The City Council, Mayor's Office, Finance, Public Works and Legal departments are working to prepare project lists and ballot questions for Tulsa voters to consider in an election later this summer. Meeting locations have been distributed throughout the city corresponding to City Council districts; however, all Tulsa residents are welcome at all the meetings. Each meeting will begin at 6:30 pm. The remaining schedule is as follows:

June 16 - Zarrow Regional Library, 2224 W. 51st St. (District 2)

June 30 - East Central High School, 12150 E. 11th St. (Districts 5 and 6)

July 7 - Salk Elementary School, 7625 E. 58th St. (District 7)

July 14 - Hardesty Library, 8316 E. 93rd St. (Districts 8 and 2)

July 21 - Rudisill Library, 1520 N. Hartford Ave. (District 1)

