



March 2011

# BRADY REGISTER

BRADY HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.

## President Letter

By Nathan Pickard

In January we had our annual meeting and elected a great group of people to the eleven board member positions and four director positions. We are all looking forward to another great year. We would love for you to get involved so please feel free to email me or call me if you are interested.

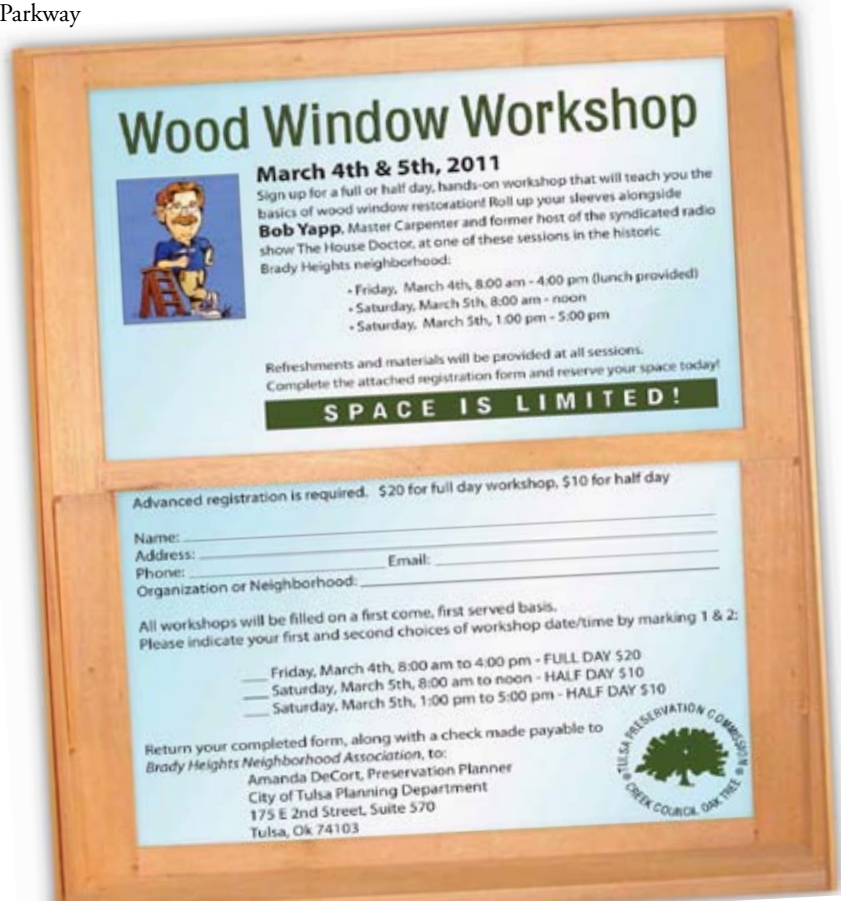
The board and officers met in February to devise a strategic plan for the neighborhood association. Here are some of the options we looked at:

- A Home Tour in September to showcase the historic homes of Brady Heights
- Updating the Neighborhood Directory and having them available so you know who your neighbors are and how to get a hold of them
- An initiative to help with the needs of our senior citizens in the neighborhood
- Brady Heights 2 Initiative – working with OSU and UCT to create a mixed use development on the open land to the east of our neighborhood.
- Catholic Charities Initiative – working to save the buildings owned by Catholic Charities from being demolished.
- Social Events such as a summer block party, neighborhood walks, and holiday parties.

- Meet your neighbor dinners where we put together dinners for more chances to get know our neighbors.
- Community awareness campaign – Figuring out ways to increase neighborhood pride in Brady Heights
- Arts Parkway – Keeping our Arts Parkway

(Denver Ave) beautiful

If any of these interest you, or if you have other ideas for our neighborhood association, let me know. We would love to include you in our action groups. We are looking forward to a great year. I hope you get involved.



### Brady Heights Neighborhood Association Meeting March 19, Saturday 10:30 am

At the March 19 meeting, the Tulsa Authority for the Recovery of Energy (T.A.R.E.) the local authority that oversees trash collection in Tulsa will give a brief informative talk to education us about the upcoming contract period so that they may provide their thoughts to city councilors, Mayor Bartlett and other

leaders as this process moves forward.

The contract for the City of Tulsa's refuse services ends on June 30, 2012. The new service provider(s) will be selected by late May 2011.

BHNA general meetings are held at the Centenary United Methodist, corner of Golden and North Denver. Meetings are

held on the third Saturday, every other month unless otherwise announced.

A sitter will be provided.

For more information  
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### Dennis R. Neill Equality Center 1st Thursday Exhibit

The The March Oklahomans for Equality (OkEq) showcase and exhibit of local artists at the Dennis R. Neill Equality Center (621 E. 4th Street in Downtown Tulsa), will present original works by mother and son team Linda and Ian Coward; the show is sponsored by The Garden Trug ([www.thegardentrug.com](http://www.thegardentrug.com)) and begins with a reception on Thursday, March 3rd from 6-9pm and continues throughout the month. A "Door Prize" of the artists work will be drawn at the opening - guests need not be present to win.

Linda chose to work in clay because it naturally reflects the feelings and vision of both eastern and western landscape. Ian has been making miniature architectural dream houses and ceramic masks. Lately he has been attaching his ceramic masks to the miniature houses. For more info: [www.okeq.org/](http://www.okeq.org/).

BHNA Membership is open to residents, property owners, churches, and businesses within Brady Heights. Annual dues are \$10 per year and tax-deductible donations are gladly accepted. To support BHNA, with dues or donations, make your check or money order out to BHNA and send to: Jana Aveilhe c/o BHNA, 1144 N. Cheyenne, Tulsa, OK 74106.

#### 2011 Brady Heights Officers

President: Nathan Pickard  
Vice President: Giles Gregory  
Treasurer: Jana Aveilhe  
Secretary: Marissa Carter

#### 2011 Brady Heights Board of Directors

New Members:	Returning Board Members:
George Aveilhe	Celina Burkhart
Jenna Brennan	Elba Kufdakakis
Jeremy Brennan	Jenifer Sparks
Kathy Gregory	Bill White
Mike Keim	
Carol Lambert	
Kandy White	

Tulsa Preservation Commission  
BHNA Representative: Tim Williams  
Coalition of Historic Neighborhoods  
BHNA Representative: Celina Burkhart

# Upcoming Events

**BHNA Meeting Saturday, March 19, 10:30.** See page 1 for details.

### Brady Arts District First Friday Art Crawl – March 4

Beginning at 6 pm in the buzzing district home to the Living Arts studio, arts bar Club 209, the Brady Theater and Cain's Ballroom. [www.TheBradyArtsDistrict.com](http://www.TheBradyArtsDistrict.com).

### Wood Window Workshop – Friday and Saturday, March 4-5

Bob Yapp is back by popular demand! We will once again be hosting hands-on window repair workshops with Bob, our favorite master carpenter and window repair guru. We have full-day and half-day workshops. These workshops sold out in 2009, so be sure to register now and save your spot! Refreshments and materials

provided, \$20. Visit the Tulsa Preservation website: [www.tulsapreservation.org](http://www.tulsapreservation.org).

**The New Genre Arts Festival** is a three-week-long interdisciplinary arts festival that includes music, dance, visual art and performance Feb. 28-March 12 including a light installation titled, Unsatisfied Desire, by Charles Matson Lume and a sound installation titled, Movements at Living Arts So Percussion, Tuesday March 8 at the Cascia Hall. See [www.livingarts.org](http://www.livingarts.org).

### Tulsa to Open Season at ONEOK Field – April 7

The Drillers will open the regular season at home by hosting the Corpus Christi Hooks on April 7 at ONEOK Field. See schedule at: <http://web.minorleaguebaseball.com>.



Brady Heights snow photos: Chris Carter and Celina Burkhart

# Emerson School News

Emerson takes great pride in our former students and the staff always enjoys hearing about their successes.

Three of our former students, who are seniors at Booker T. Washington, have achieved great honors this year. Micheal Lovell and Paul Williams are National Merit Semi-Finalists and Isaac Bennett achieved great honors for helping the BTW football team win the 5A championship. He was recruited by Todd Graham and will be playing for the University of Pittsburgh in the fall. All three of these young men attended Emerson for six years and two live in the Brady Heights neighborhood. [www.tulsaworld.com/sportsextra/highschool/article](http://www.tulsaworld.com/sportsextra/highschool/article). Here is an especially nice quote. Bennett rushed for 1,372 yards, on 9.5 yards per carry, and scored 17 touchdowns in 2010 as he helped the Hornets win the Class 5A state championship. In the title game, he rushed for 222 yards and two TDs and passed for another. Last May, he won the 5A state long jump title and finished third in the 100 meters.

## BOK Donates Funds for New Emerson Playground

Emerson is very proud of our new playground equipment. We welcome Brady Heights to come and enjoy it with your children. Bank of Oklahoma recently announced a \$15,000 gift to Tulsa Public School's Emerson Elementary, the bank's Partner in Education school, for the purchase of new playground equipment, says Steven Nell, chief financial officer for BOK. The donation is being given in commemoration of the Tulsa-based company's 100th anniversary.

"Our partnership with Emerson has been a strong and mutually-beneficial one for more than 20 years," says Nell. "It's our pleasure to celebrate our century of banking in Tulsa by providing them with the much-needed funds to replace their seriously dilapidated playground equipment."

The financial gift covers the cost of six new playground toys, many with unique features that stimulate students' minds, while also giving them a place to play.

Tammy States, Emerson's principal says, "Our partnership with the Bank

of Oklahoma is truly one that grows every year. The bank and its wonderful employees support us in so many ways, financially and through volunteering. The need for new playground equipment became the bank's wish for our school. Through the dedication of the BOK employees, they were able to hand us the check for \$15,000. The students are having so much fun on the new equipment, and they are very thankful that BOK is our partner."

The new equipment includes a toy that plays music featuring the sounds of chimes, drums, horns and bells. Another piece helps develop basic motor skills by facilitating climbing up and through. Additionally, there's new tetherball poles, heavy-duty swings and a "Triple Shot Out" game.

Leslie Paris, manager of community relations for BOK, says this gift is just another display for BOK's commitment to Emerson, which is located just a few blocks north of downtown Tulsa. More than 100 BOK employees volunteer each year at the school with projects like Pen Pals, the Martin Luther King Essay Contest, literacy and reading projects, school carnivals, fundraisers, and serve as test monitors during state testing.

"Our partnership with Emerson is so strong because our employees are so committed to the students – they really want to make a difference," says Paris. "We're honored to have a connection with Emerson and to celebrate that during our centennial year."

Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., is a subsidiary of BOK Financial Corporation, a financial services company that provides commercial and consumer banking, investment and trust services, mortgage origination and servicing, and an electronic funds transfer network. Other holdings include Bank of Albuquerque, N.A., Bank of Arizona, N.A., Bank of Arkansas, N.A., Bank of Texas, N.A., Colorado State Bank and Trust, N.A., Bank of Kansas City, N.A., broker-dealer BOSCO, Inc., Southwest Trust Co., Cavanal Hill Investment Management and the TransFund electronic funds network. Shares of BOK Financial are traded on the NASDAQ under the symbol BOKF.

For more info visit [www.bokf.com](http://www.bokf.com).



Get neighborhood updates in your Facebook News Feed! Brady Heights now has a fan page on Facebook. Just search for "Brady Heights", click "Like" and stay up to date on meetings and events!

## Neighborhoodly friends,

Ah, yes, the beauty of living and working downtown. While the rest of Tulsa was bookended into their homes from block to block, we (at least on Denver) got out relatively quickly and if you're lucky enough to work down here too, well... lucky you!

And... if you'd like to work downtown and you profess yourself as a working creative, here's an invitation to join our studio as the newest Loose Leaf.

Loose Leaf is on the hunt for a couple of new suite mates. We are in the Blue Dome District (which really just makes everyone happy) and rent is low for the area. The studio is great for shooting and collaborating. We are looking for creative professionals from a variety of mediums, not just photography. So, designers, painters, you probably get dibs... if you're not a complete flake.

If you're interested, let me know and we can coffee at JoeBots (another nice perk down the corner) and you can have a "tour" of the studio. There will be a test.

Let me know if you're interested. I couldn't think of a better place to work. [mlukenbaugh@gmail.com](mailto:mlukenbaugh@gmail.com)

## Have You Caught The Bus?

INCOG's new Tulsa Regional Transit System Plan is underway, destined to educate the citizens and determine the best long range transit plan for the Tulsa metropolitan area. So everyone has a chance to participate, INCOG has turned a bus into a mobile transit lab which is currently visiting multiple sites a day, to give everyone a chance to learn and provide feedback. If you haven't caught the bus yet, check the schedule to see when it will be in your area: [www.fastforwardplan.org/](http://www.fastforwardplan.org/)

## Local, Downtown, Organic and Coming Soon?

A new group is exploring the option of putting a new grocery store in the south side of Downtown Tulsa, providing local and organic food options. All they ask is you fill out their survey: [www.surveymonkey.com/s/J8TX3ZJ](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/J8TX3ZJ) and give your opinion. Fill it out today!

## For sale in Brady Heights

**912 N. Denver Ave.** Great starter home. Needs updating. Could be a great investment for the future. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, garage, built in 1909. \$78,000. Listed by Tulsa Realty.

**657 N. Cheyenne Ave.** Brady Heights District craftsman bungalow w/classic architectural detail and modern features. Builders own home. High ceilings, wood floors, 2 master closets, island kit, stainless appliances. Shady flagstone patio w/outdoor potting shed. 3 bedroom, 2 baths, 1,637 sq. feet, New constructions, built in 2003. \$158,900. Listed by Tulsa Realtors.

**1151 N. Cheyenne Ave.** Great investment opportunity near many new downtown Tulsa developments. One zone of central H/C new in 2006. Home needs additional updating and is priced to allow for this investment. 5 bedrooms, 3 bath, 2,600 sq. feet, garage, built in 1930. \$83,000. Listed by Remax.

**1158 N. Cheyenne Ave.** New zoned heat/air, new sheet rock, updated electric and plumbing, 1 car garage, new garage roof, handcrafted wood countertop, new woodwork in bathroom, large master bedroom, formal living and dining room, enclosed sun porch, large front porch. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, 2005 sq. feet, built in 1920. \$158,000. Listed by Greater Tulsa Realty.

## Fun loving dog for Adoption

Male, fixed, all shots and tests. house and crate trained, walks on a leash. Good bark, never has bitten. Loves other dogs and kids. Despite his long beautiful white hair he does not shed much. Great garbage disposal. Estimated to be a year old now. Needs someone who wants to play catch and tug-o-war but also knows how to chill out and chew on a bone. Contact [codeman84@gmail.com](mailto:codeman84@gmail.com) for more info. If interested or know of someone who might be interested : Cell - 918.931.8306.

## Margee's Gardening Tips

Hello all you gardeners. You may start planting your cool weather crops now. You can plant lettuce, spinach, kale, chard, beets and more, as seeds and you can also set out cold weather plants like broccoli and cauliflower and cabbage. As always, I would encourage you to plant without pesticides and herbicides. We will be the healthiest neighborhood around with all of our fresh, organically grown veggies.

## Studio available at the 3rd St and Kenosha:

\$250 per month includes all bills paid, 250 sq ft with adjustable lighting, 24 hr. access, alarm system, Kitchen facility, Wi-Fi as a part of your monthly fee, Private, lockable studios, 8 other artists' studios in the LAB (camaraderie), Interested or know someone who is? Contact: Steve Liggett, Artistic Director, Living Arts of Tulsa, 307 E Brady St, Tulsa, Ok. 74120, 918-585-1234, [steve@livingarts.org](mailto:steve@livingarts.org)

# Winter Gardening

By Judy Crumrine-Pekarcik and Carol Lambert

Carol: "Well, Judy. . .now that I've got my compost pile built and I'm adding to it every day, I need ideas on how to use it when it's ready in a few months. What do you suggest?"

Judy: "Hey, Carol! I like to add it to new plants as they go into their ground homes – perennials, shrubs, and small trees. It really starts those good worms working to stir up the soil."

Carol: "That's a great idea! I think I'll try mixing it into my vegetable beds this spring, and also, in the summer, it would make a good top-dressing around the vegetable plants. Doing that every year should create some really fertile soil for my vegetable beds."

"And, speaking of vegetables – isn't it time to start seeds for those warm-weather crops like tomatoes and peppers?"

Judy: "Yep, March is the time for getting those seeds started. Many seeds need 6-8 weeks from seeding until they're ready to plant out, so starting them in mid-March would make them ready to put in the ground around the first of May. In our section of Oklahoma nothing should be planted for spring/summer until after April 15."

Carol: "You know, when I start seeds, I like to re-use containers like plastic take-out boxes or butter containers. Just punch a few holes in the bottom for drainage, fill with moist seed-starting mix, and plant the seeds. What kind of containers do you use?"

Judy: "Good question, Carol, my old standby & also readily available are egg cartons (not the styrofoam ones). . .just place a spoonful of dirt or planting mix & poke seed(s) in. . .you will have several sprouts. . .as they get bigger choose the larger/healthier ones and continue in larger containers... And, one thing extra to add to your compost are the leftover tubes from paper towels/toilet paper. . . they help aerate the compost"

Carol: "Neat idea about the cardboard tubes in the compost pile! Hey, remember that after the seeds sprout, they need lots of light to grow strong and sturdy. I use a shop light setup that

has two fluorescent bulbs; it's hung from the ceiling on an adjustable chain so I can change the distance between the light and the seedlings as they grow. It's cheap and easy!"

Judy: "Sounds good. . .only a month until Spring!"

## To Do in the Garden

Finish pruning shade trees and summer flowering shrubs. Wait to prune spring blooming shrubs until after they've flowered.

It's a great time to plant bare-root trees and shrubs, including roses. The nurseries and garden centers are gearing up for spring already!

Speaking of planting - potatoes, onion, radishes, and other cool-season crops can be planted in late February into early March. Dig up a spot, throw in some compost, and you've got yourself a vegetable garden!

If you've had a problem with mites, aphids or scale on a particular landscape plant, now is the time to apply dormant oil sprays to the plant to kill those overwintering pests. Dormant oil is a very fine horticultural oil that is applied to a plant when it's dormant, hence the name. It is safe to use, and has very little impact on beneficial insects. It's best used when the wind is calm, as with any pesticide.

Also, if you've had problems with summer weeds in your lawn areas, February to mid-March is time to apply the first pre-emergent herbicide to those areas. This includes crabgrass pre-emergent control which can be applied to both warm and cool season turfgrasses.

If you missed the fall application of pre-emergent for winter weeds, you can use a glyphosate product (i.e. Roundup) on those weeds in your dormant bermuda lawns when temperatures are above 50 degrees during February and early March. Glyphosate will damage cool season turfs, such as fescue, so use another method for weed control on those turfs.

With any chemical – pre-emergent, fertilizers, insecticide – always read and follow the label directions, and wear appropriate personal protection!