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Letter from the President Coleman Nash

Hello Neighbors!

If you're like me, you're wondering what happened to Spring! It's hard to believe that we are already having weather in the 90s, but then again, this is Oklahoma, so let's just wait a bit, and it should change. If you are not aware, Edgemere Park is celebrating its 100th Anniversary this year! Our Social Committee – led by Monica Sexton – is planning several special events this year (in addition to our annual 4th of July Party and Oktoberfest), so please be on the lookout for information about the festivities. If you have any interest in helping with these events or just getting more involved with the neighborhood, please reach out. We are always looking for more volunteers. If you have not paid your dues, please do so as soon as you can. These dues not only help pay for our regular activities and the preservation of our park, but will also help fund the 100th Anniversary activities we are planning. You can pay by check or via our website: edgemereparkokc.com. If you attended our Annual Meeting in February, you heard that our Security Corporation needs a new Chair to restart our security patrol. If you are interested – or if you know of anyone that might be – please reach out to me ASAP. Our Security Corporation adds a great deal to our neighborhood, and we would love to continue to offer this service.

Another event that has quickly sprung upon us, the Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon will be coming through our neighborhood on April 26th. I invite each of you to come out and cheer on the runners. It truly is one of my favorite annual events in this city. In anticipation of this monumental event, we will be doing our Annual Park Clean-up on April 18th and April 19th from 1 PM – 4 PM each day. We will have supplies at the pavilion, so please bring the whole family out for one or both afternoon sessions. The marathon provides a great opportunity to show the community how much pride we have in our beautiful park.

Summer will then be upon us! The Paseo Arts Festival will be going on between May 23rd and the 25th; then our Annual 4th of July Celebration will come as always with: food, beer, and the neighborhood parade.

Again, to all our neighbors, please know that we love our community and are looking for more of you to be involved. If you have any interest in joining our wonderful board or just participating in a committee, please reach out to me directly or to your block Trustee.

I am looking forward to a great year with you all and can't wait to celebrate our Centennial together!

Coleman Nash, President, Edgemere Park Preservation Inc.
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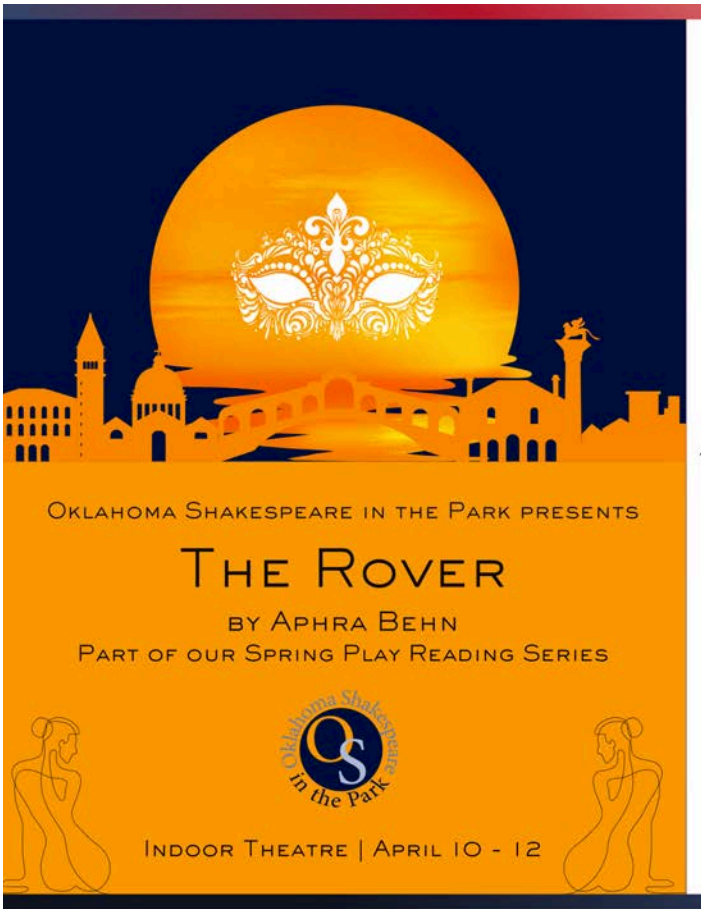
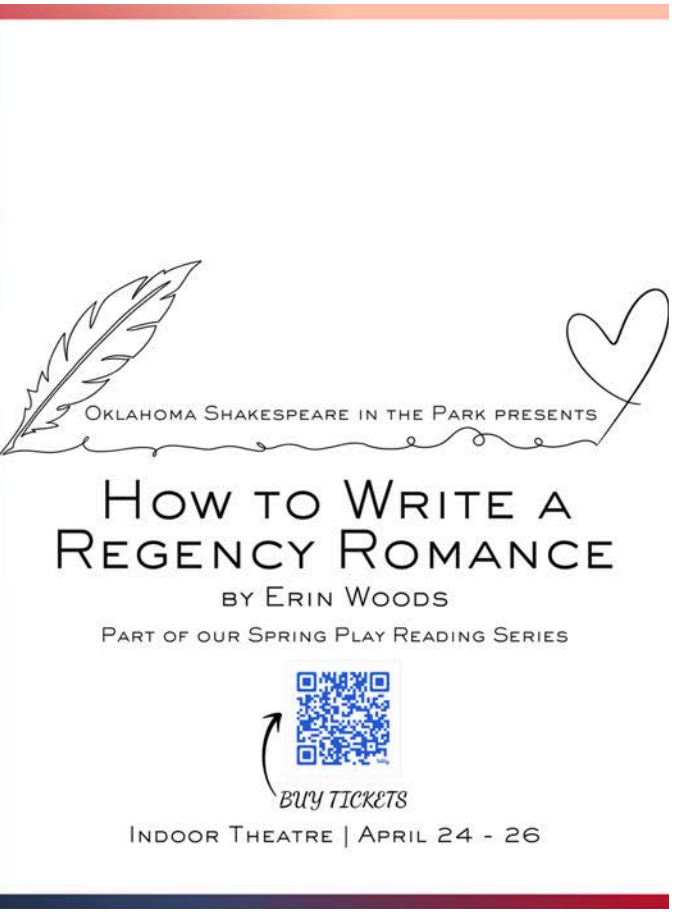
Facebook: Edgemerepreservationokc
Twitter: EdgemerePark
Instagram: EdgemerePark

Security Corporation Closing Down

As a notice to all neighbors, the Edgemere Park Security Corporation will be closing down operations. The entity will cease collecting funds, and daily security patrols have been halted. Due to a lack of long-term financial viability, we no longer have a neighborhood-specific private security service. Please continue to practice individual responsibility in reporting any persons or activities that may require the presence of police or emergency response professionals within the confines of our park and neighborhood. If any neighbors would like to reimagine the Security Corporation, reach out to the board.







PETS AROUND THE PARK

Meet one of the many pets of our park, Dali. She is a 13-year-old rescue pet, owned by John Thompson and Jocelyn Lupkin. Within 24 hours of being adopted, Dali quickly picked up a variety of commands, showing her intelligence and knack for learning new tricks. Her owners have been walking around Edgemere Park since the 80s, and they continue to meet new people and pets during daily trots from the Central Park neighborhood nextdoor.

One of Dali's favorite spots for a treat is right here in the park. In particular she looks forward to stopping by the 34th street corner, where one neighbor regularly offers her a pit stop snack around the park.

Keep an eye out for this sweet pup.





MARATHON CELEBRATIONS

The OKC Memorial Marathon runs through our park every spring. On April 26th please come out to show your support for the marathoners and enjoy some of the neighborhood traditions.

You might see a man dressed finely and smoking a cigar. Or you might find some generous neighbors offering up an early celebration for the runners with mimosas, and many more exciting encouragerments.

One set of neighbors has begun a new tradition in an effort to compete with the prestige of Gorilla Hill up the road. If you find yourself surrounded by inflatable gloves or miniature plastic hands while on the 35th street bridge, join in on the fun of high-fives, fist-bumps, and clapping palms to encourage the runners over the Deep Fork.

Come join in on the fun and make some memories for yourself and for the runners.



Arts Corner

With Assurance

Rains wash away yesterday's
Sediment. Petrichor and ozone flash
Today's stench. Heat calms cool to humid quays
Again wrenched. Circles once appear closed: fresh
Then desiccant. Voltage falls in sunburst
Sheets opaque, climbs changed. We have fragileist
Resilience in reins.
Close-ups smooth turbulence.





HISTORIC PRESERVATION REMINDERS

Below, you can find a quick view guide on the expectations for reviewing updates to your house, along with an opportunity to meet the city's historic preservation professionals.

Certificate of Appropriateness Cheat Sheet

COMMON WORK THAT REQUIRES A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

- Replacement of windows
- Replacement of doors
- Installing or replacing storm windows or storm doors
- Construction of additions and garages
- Demolition
- Construction of landscape features such as decks, pergolas, and swimming pools
- Installation or replacement of fencing
- Replacement of driveways or sidewalks

Anything that results in a visible change to the exterior of the building, or that introduces new materials, or that requires a building permit, is likely to require a Certificate of Appropriateness!

COMMON WORK THAT MAY NOT REQUIRE A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

- Minor repair,* exactly matching the existing, of wood elements like siding, trim, porch flooring

*Must be less than 50% of a material on any one side – for example, repair/replacement of less than half the wood siding on the west side of a house, with siding that exactly matches the dimension and shape of the historic siding.

- Spot -repointing brick to match historic mortar in color, texture and composition (repointing more than 50% of a wall requires a CA)
- Replacement of non-historic, composition roofing with architectural-grade composition roofing

*Removal of historic material underneath composition roofing, such as wood shakes, may require CA.

- Planting or removing trees or other plantings
- Painting previously-painted materials (wood, previously painted brick or concrete)
- Work that is interior ONLY

When in doubt, contact staff and find out! cpud@okc.gov or 297-1624

Historic Preservation Q & A with City Staff on April 18

Have burning HP questions? Don't miss this opportunity to meet with the City's Historic Preservation staff to get answers. Get to know the City staff dedicated to supporting you in your efforts to preserve the historic character of your property and neighborhood! Meet with HP staff outside of your busy work week, free from parking fees and downtown traffic, to discuss your upcoming projects or simply learn more about the process for doing work in Oklahoma City's Historic Districts.

Saturday, April 18, 2026, come-and-go from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
Belle Isle Library, Room AB, 5501 N Villa Avenue, Oklahoma City

Application forms, copies of the Standards and Guidelines, and sample application materials such as site plans will be available. Questions may be directed to CPUD at 405-297-1624.

Trinity School at Edgemere

Trinity Wraps Up the Year with Growth and Celebration!

Spring has arrived with energy and momentum, and there is much to celebrate at Trinity.

ONE Award Nomination

We are honored to have been selected as a finalist for the Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits ONE Awards, an exciting recognition of the work happening within our school community. This season reflects the heart of Trinity: a place committed to student growth, strong partnerships, and plenty of Tiger pride.

Winter & Spring Events

Throughout the winter and spring, our students enjoyed several special events, including the Christmas Program, Homecoming, school dances, and many other holidays and celebrations. These moments are a wonderful reminder of how much our students thrive in an environment designed to nurture their confidence, talents, and potential.

Parking Improvements

We also want to thank our neighbors for their patience as parking improvements continue on campus. Construction is underway, and we hope the project will be completed shortly after Spring Break. These updates will improve safety and accessibility for students, families, and visitors. We are grateful for the support and flexibility of our surrounding community as we make these improvements.

Volunteer Opportunities

Trinity welcomes neighbors and friends who would like to support the school through volunteer service. Opportunities arise throughout the year to assist with campus projects, student events, and community initiatives. If you're interested in volunteering, contact casullivan@trinityschoolokc.org to learn more. Interested in teaching part-time electives for middle or upper school? Visit trinityschoolokc.org/about/careers.

Summer Programs at Trinity

Registration is open for our Summer programs at Trinity. Trinity offers students the chance to build skills, make friends, and stay engaged in a supportive environment. **Our Summer Programs Include:**

- **Read Up:** A summer reading program for students in grades 2-8 with dyslexia or reading challenges, led by Certified Academic Language Therapists. June 8-19, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.
- **Summer Up:** An academic enrichment program for students in grades K-8 that strengthens core skills and encourages creativity and exploration. July 13-24, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.
- **Scholarships available.** Learn more and register at trinityschool.org/academics/summer-programs

Trinity is grateful for the support of our families, friends, and community as we close another year of growth and learning.

2026 ONE Oklahoma Nonprofit Excellence Awards FINALIST







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Trinity School at Edgemere | 3200 N Walker, Oklahoma City, OK 73118 | 405-525-5600 | TrinitySchoolOKC.org

Parents at the Park

by Hallie Waugh

Parents at the Park is a monthly meetup for parents and caregivers in Edgemere and Jefferson Park. The goal is to connect neighbors, make new friends, and build low-barrier community. We meet the last Saturday of every month, weather permitting. All are welcome! Snacks and activities provided. Scan the QR code to join the GroupMe.

Community Voting Information

by Caroline Dennis

As in every even-numbered year, 2026 will include opportunities for voters to make their voices heard for a slate of elective offices. Governor Kevin Stitt and various other statewide elected officers will be term-limited, and we will elect a new United States Senator to fill the vacancy created by Senator Markwayne Mullins's move to Secretary of Homeland Security. Please keep the following dates in mind:

- June 16 - Primary Election, at which voters of each party select their candidates (deadline to register, May 22)
- August 25 - Runoff Primary election, at which voters of each party select their candidates if none receive at least 50% of the vote at the Primary Election (deadline to register, July 31)
- November 3 - General Election, at which all voters are eligible to vote (deadline to register, October 9)

If you are unsure if you are registered or would like to update your registration information (address, party affiliation, etc.) or see sample ballots, the online Oklahoma Voter Portal is a good place to start. The polling place for our neighborhood is at Crown Heights Christian Church at N.W. 40th and Western, and it is staffed by Edgemere-ites Brian Wilkes and Robert and Caroline Dennis.

Hope to see you there in June!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Park Cleanup

April 18th and April 19th

From 1 PM – 4 PM

OKC Memorial Marathon

April 26th

Begins at 6:30 AM

Neighbors, as the board contemplates ways to keep the park and neighborhood safe, we are considering speed mitigation. Please email edgemerepresident@gmail.com with your preference:

(1) Installation of speed hump(s)
(2) Installation of lighted speed control device "Driver feedback light" (shows the driver their speed relative to the limit)

The board will take the neighbor's preference into consideration when deciding. We are working with Ward 2 Traffic and Transportation Commissioner Rob Littlefield and the OKC Public Works Department. If you would like to be involved in this effort, please indicate so when you email your preference.