



# Ole Windmill Estates

## Home Owners Association Newsletter

March 2014



### The Annual Ole Windmill Estates Home Owners Association Meeting

will be held April 17, 2014 at the Anglican Church of the Holy

Cross at 6:00 PM. The church is located at 10509 N. Council Rd. Please bring your proxy in order to vote on the annual budget, and other topics the board feels necessary to discuss. If your neighbor(s) are unable to attend, we encourage you to bring their proxy's, and vice versa, if you are unable to attend. The annual dues are \$100 for every OWE home owner. These dues fund the upkeep and maintenance of the front entrances to the neighborhood and the greenbelt, the utilities necessary to do so, neighborhood events, and other expenses which benefit Ole Windmill Estates. The annual meeting, as well as other meetings by the Home Owners Association throughout the year, provide an open forum for you to express you thoughts and concerns about your immediate community. We look forward to seeing and hearing from you!

### Ole Windmill Estates Easter Egg Hunt



The Ole Windmill Estates Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 19, 2014. Hop on over to the southeast end of the greenbelt at 1:00 PM to join the fun! Preschoolers—6th graders are welcome to participate and will be divided into groups based on age upon arrival. Should there be

rain or any other type of inclement weather situation, we will reschedule the hunt for Sunday, April 20, 2014 at 3:00 PM. See you there!



### Ole Windmill Estates Neighborhood Garage Sale

The Ole Windmill Estates Neighborhood Garage Sale is scheduled for Friday, June 6, and Saturday, June 7, 2014. The City of Oklahoma City requires that each, individual home obtain a garage sale permit before a sale, and mandates that you may sell anything except motor vehicles. The permit is \$7 and can be purchased online at [okc.gov/services/garage\\_sale/index.html](http://okc.gov/services/garage_sale/index.html), or you may obtain a paperless permit by calling the License Division at (405)297-2606.

### Volunteers Needed

The Ole Windmill Estates Home Owners Association is currently looking for new members to join the board. Please join us and help make a difference in our community! If you're interested, please contact Lisa Roberts at **president@olewindmillestates.com**

### Community News

- Upcoming Neighborhood Events
- Volunteer Request
- Social Media Resources
- Reminders/Events
- Recognition to City of OKC
- Broken Window Theory

### Attached

- Crime Watch - Nine House Model

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## Reminders



One of the simplest things you can do to keep your neighborhood safe is to be an aware neighbor. The Oklahoma City Police Department suggests the first step to becoming an “aware neighbor” is to know your neighbors on a more personal level. Knowing what kind of car they drive or what visitors most usually look like may seem a bit intrusive, but it could help to prevent burglaries and other types of crimes from occurring in our community. Attached to this newsletter is the “**9 House Model**”. It is a self-explanatory directory tool to help you keep track of your neighbors information in case of suspicious activity or an emergency. Also, if you or any of your neighbors witness suspicious activity (unfamiliar persons/cars in the area, cars driving especially slowly through the street, any type of loitering, etc.) please remember to call 911 and report what you see. If the situation is not an emergency, simply tell the operator it is a “non-emergency” call. Help us keep our neighborhood safe!

## Community Events



### April 20, 2014 - Free Shred Day

Shred and recycle your financial and personal documents during Waste Management Recycle America and the Utilities Department’s free shred day from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. at 5519 NW 4th in Oklahoma City.

### April 27, 2014 - Household Hazardous Waste Recycle Day



A special household hazardous waste collection will be held for ammunition, tires, computers and pharmaceuticals from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the State Fairgrounds. The collection is open to Oklahoma City residents only. Bring your current Oklahoma City water bill stub to prove residency. The event will be held on the south side of the fairgrounds, east of the arena. Sorry, televisions, tires with rims and off-road tires will not be accepted.

For more Earth Month community events and services by the City of Oklahoma City, visit [okc.gov/sustain/earthmonth.html](http://okc.gov/sustain/earthmonth.html).

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### **Thank You to the City of Oklahoma City!**



Earlier this month we spotted the City of Oklahoma City hard at work for Ole Windmill Estates! The clean-up and upkeep of the drainage system effects many different issues in our homes and is imperative to our home values. We appreciate all of the City’s diligence and efforts!

## Broken Window Theory

In the mid 1970’s two criminologists from New Jersey, James Q. Wilson and George L. Kelling, produced the **Broken Window Theory**. In the simplest terms, the theory suggests that something as minor as a broken window in a building can effect the numbers on crime in a community, and can effect the attitudes of citizens toward crime and criminal behavior. While many cities have tried to apply the “broken window” approach to their efforts on crime, none succeeded more than New York in the 1990’s under Mayor Rudy Giuliani. Giuliani increased the number of New York police officers by 35%, increased the number of officers patrolling on foot as opposed to patrolling in vehicles, made graffiti clean up a top priority, and, yes, literally fixed broken windows throughout the more urban areas of New York. These efforts resulted in a **56% decrease in violent crime**, as well as a **65% decrease in property crime**. Although there has been some criticism of the actual effectiveness of this theory, no one can argue with the numbers. As citizens, we can learn from the broken window theory and apply it to small nuances in our daily lives. The broken down refrigerator on your front porch, the excessive peeling paint on the exterior of your house, or, yes, the broken window that can be seen from the street, are not only eye sores for your neighbors, but may be promoting criminal activity in our community. This spring we will be devoting time and effort into fixing our broken windows, please join us and help keep our community safe.

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