



Annual Easter Egg Hunt Returns April 23

Mark your calendars for the Venice Neighborhood Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 23.

You won't want to miss this exciting event. As usual we'll meet at 10 a.m. at the Gazebo on the Winter Drive Median.

There will be a Moon Bounce, candy and prizes. Bring the little ones, meet your neighbors and have some fun!

Help Plan the Event

Want to help plan the Easter Egg Hunt? Be sure to attend the next Venice Neighborhood Association Meeting at 7 p.m. March 21 at Northwest Classen High School in the Cafeteria.

More Photos

Logon to our website at veniceneighborhood.com to view more photos from the 2010 Easter Egg Hunt.



Community Calendar

March 1

Ward 2 City Council Elections

March 21

VNA meeting at 7 p.m. at Northwest Classen High School in the Cafeteria.

April 23

Easter Egg Hunt @ the Gazebo on the Winter Drive Median

Future Events

Just a heads up our next newsletter will go out in May and our next neighborhood association meeting will be in June.

Stay Connected

Stay up-to-date on all of the latest Venice Neighborhood news and events, sign up to be a part of our email list. Sign up online at veniceneighborhood.com.

Want to Get Involved? Volunteer as a Block Captain.

Would you be willing to volunteer as a Block Captain?

This is a new opportunity we have in the Venice Neighborhood. Block Captains can help get the word out to the community as well as host small events. This past Christmas Season a few block parties were held throughout the neighborhood. Simple small gatherings that gave us an opportu-

nity to get to know our neighbors and enjoy a time of fellowship.

If you are willing to volunteer as a Block Captain please let us know. We would enjoy having your help.

If you would like additional information please contact Gary Shelton by email gdselton67@yahoo.com or by phone/text (405) 708-0974.

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A new year is always a wonderful time to reflect on happy memories of the past year as well as creating plans for the future. As the new president of the Venice Neighborhood Association I am excited to see what we can accomplish as an association in 2011. There are a great number of possibilities and each one simply needs a little time and effort to come to pass. Annually here in Venice we have a wonderful time with the Easter Egg Hunt, Neighborhood Garage Sale, and the National Neighbors Night Out. Each of these events give us an opportunity to build a stronger community that adds to friendships, property values, and a safe and secure neighborhood.



Gary Shelton

I consider it a privilege to serve with board members, Pam Paul (Vice President), Robyn Arn (Treasurer), Victor Gorin (Secretary), and Nathan Altadonna (Newsletter Editor). It is our goal to serve as a team and to assist one another in developing a stronger association. Each one of us bring a different talent to the table and we want to use those talents for our community.

Community is a sense of family and family is what we can become. We NEED your assistance to grow the association and to provide more for our community. With this being the first of the year, you guessed it, annual dues are requested. Venice annual dues are \$25.00. Comparing to other neighborhoods in Oklahoma City this is very low and very doable. Your support of the annual dues drive is needed. If your dues are paid by March 31st, you will be entered into a drawing for a \$100.00 gift card. Let's set a goal to double the amount of homes participating in annual dues this year. I know we can do it!

The board and I realize that everyone is busy. Making monthly meetings may not be an option for you. We want to minimize the meetings and maximize the benefit. As you will see in the next few months and through the newsletter we want to streamline things for you. Please be encouraged to participate in YOUR neighborhood. Meeting information, special nights, and events will be noted in the Newsletter as well as through email and Facebook. Be sure and sign up so you can be informed.

Let's make 2011 our best year yet in the Venice Neighborhood. It's OUR association and let's make it MARVELOUS! Happy New Year and may you be blessed.

If you have any questions or suggestions please feel free to contact me. I can be reached by email at gdselton67@yahoo.com or cell phone (405) 708-0974.

Gary



2011 Dues and Treasurer's Report

It's the start of a new year and time again for the annual dues campaign. Please note that this newsletter is the only one you will receive with the dues form and envelope. If you have been and wish to continue paying your dues later in the year, please save this page and the envelope for future mailing.

2010 Budget Report

I'm pleased to report our income was back up last year to \$1,825.00 from a much lower \$1,486.00 for 2009. However, our expenses were just over \$1,774.00 so we didn't have much left over for savings. The expense breakdown is as follows:

Neighborhood Alliance	\$ 50.00
Easter Egg Hunt	\$ 90.00
Christmas Light Awards	\$ 50.00
Night Out Food	\$ 36.15
Electricity	\$ 1,086.75
City of OKC	\$ 461.13
TOTAL	\$ 1,774.03

Win \$100 Gift Card!

If your dues are paid by March 31st, you will be entered into a drawing for a \$100.00 gift card.



Cut along this line and place in envelope so Robyn's address shows through window. Thanks for paying your 2011 dues!

Name

Phone

Address

Venice Neighborhood Association
 c/o Robyn Arn
 2715 NW 33rd Street
 Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Make your checks payable to:
 VENICE NEIGHBORHOOD
 ASSOCIATION

2011 Dues: \$25.00

Resources and Helpful Phone Numbers

Big Trash

Find out about Big Trash collection and other city related news:
<http://www.okc.gov/trash/index.html>

Crime Stats

Find out about crimes stats for our neighborhood:
<http://www.nacok.org/CrimeReports/>

Neighborhood News and Facebook

Sign up for the VNA email list at veniceneighborhood.com.

VNA on Facebook

Join our Facebook group by clicking on the link at veniceneighborhood.com.

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297-2255

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