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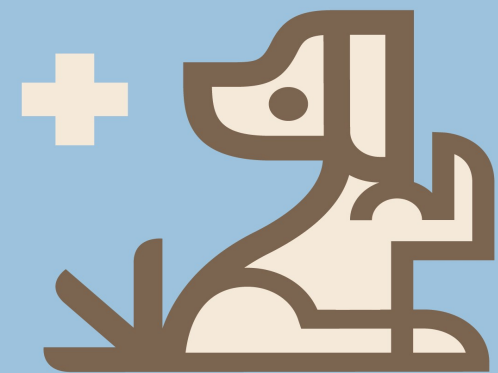
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 P.O. Box 60774  
 Oklahoma City, OK 73146

You may also pay dues online at <https://www.gatewoodokc.com/why-join-ghd>.

Thank you for supporting neighborhood events and keeping Gatewood looking beautiful! Your involvement is part of what makes our district so awesome!



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THE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE GATEWOOD HISTORIC DISTRICT

Winter 2020

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Neighbors,

The Gatewood Historic District Neighborhood Association is dedicated to supporting and promoting a positive quality of life in our neighborhood by

- providing a forum for neighbors to communicate on items of mutual interest.
- identifying, encouraging, and promoting interests and concerns of the neighborhood including safety and neighborhood improvements.
- representing neighborhood interests by promoting communication with other neighborhood associations, civic entities, and other groups.

We have reflected back on 2019 and it was a year of re-evaluating our existing commitments and delivering. We recognize that we are not a perfect organization, but we have learned from our successes and failures. With this being said, we are very excited for what is to come in 2020.

We have planned out our 2020 goals, and I wanted to share some of these with you all.

1. We are in the process of designing a new T-shirt and will be listing these soon. We are thankful for our partnership with Oklahoma Shirt Company.
2. We are in process of finalizing a design and pricing for sign toppers. Please reach out if you are interested in partnering to put a sign topper near you!
3. We want to host a spring planting / Litterblitz day in Gatewood. We will need your help! As you will see in rest of the newsletter, there is plenty more to come!

## HOME TOUR 2019

The day of the home tour was a beautiful October day. All the homes were awesome. Many favorable comments were heard throughout the day. Almost 200 tickets were sold for the tour. Approximately \$4,500 was earned to be spent for the benefit of the neighborhood.

The Board of Directors spent a Saturday in January discussing plans for the next year and options for capital improvements that can be undertaken. Look for more information in the next newsletter.

## Upcoming Events in Gatewood

- LIVE! on the Plaza: Love on the Plaza – 2/14/2020
- LIVE! on the Plaza: Spring Break – 3/13/2020
- Open Streets OKC @ Uptown 23rd – 4/5/2020
- Skyline / Gatewood Easter Egg Hunt – 4/11/2020
- LIVE! on the Plaza: Earth Day – 4/12/2020
- Litterblitz Event/Spring Planting Day – 4/25/2020
- Gatewood Annual Meeting @ Skyline – 4/19/2020
- Gatewood Garage Sale – 5/2-5/3, 2020
- LIVE! on the Plaza: deadCENTER Takeover, 5/8/2020

Neighborhood meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at OKC Improv (1755 NW 16th Street) at 7pm.

Gatewood Historic District  
 Neighborhood Association  
 Board of Directors

- Tyler Holmes, President  
 Ricardo Montoya, Secretary  
 Terry Williams, Treasurer  
 Kyle Bishop  
 Chris Black  
 Scott Liner  
 Sam Rothblum

Roger Wonderly

*One vacant position. Nominations are currently being accepted.*

Please contact us at [okcgatewood@gmail.com](mailto:okcgatewood@gmail.com)

**ANNUAL MEETING**  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH, 2020**  
**2:00PM TO 3:30PM**  
**SKYLINE CHURCH**  
**1901 N. DOUGLAS AVE**

Annual elections will be held at the meeting. Four board positions are coming up for election/re-election. You can nominate someone else or yourself! Dues must be paid at least 10 days prior to the meeting to be eligible.

To find out if your dues are current or when they are due, please contact Terry Williams, Treasurer at [ghdtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:ghdtreasurer@gmail.com)



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# Seen Around the Neighborhood

If you have neighborhood pictures you'd like to share please send them to [okcgatewood@gmail.com](mailto:okcgatewood@gmail.com)



Some neighbors celebrating Halloween on the newly painted Gatewood sign in Triangle Park!



Some people cycled from home to home in the 23rd Annual Gatewood Home



Board members at the Annual Planning Meeting

## City Relations and Development

As you all are aware, things are quickly changing around Gatewood Historic District – whether we all like it or not.

In the past, the neighborhood association has been looked at as a potential solution to support or oppose zoning changes, and we wanted to address our stance on this particular issue. The Gatewood Historic Neighborhood Association is a resource to aid in the process, such as organizing neighborhood meetings with Ward 6 City Councilwoman, Planning Commission, applicable city staff, etc. Going forward, we will not be voting as board to support or oppose any application/proposal as we believe it is in our best interest to bring the neighborhood together versus tear us apart. Some neighbors may feel one way and others another. If you are ever concerned with any issues going forward, please reach out to us and we will help connect you.

## Parks Management

Soon there will be a bit of a new look to Triangle Park. The crepe myrtles are growing into overhead power lines and are, in general, growing out of control. To begin making ready for future plans, Sunday January 13th, the third Sunday of the month, SOME of the crepe myrtles will be removed (Weather permitting). The third Sunday is chosen because “big trash” is the third week of the month and we can save considerable money in dump fees.

Volunteers are needed for cutting down the trees, clean up and accept- ing delivery of a tree laid in a neat pile in front of your home for big trash. If you are willing to volunteer contact Roger Wonderly 405-830-6722 text or phone call is welcome.

The removal of the crepe myrtles will begin a long range plan for beautification and making Triangle Park a place of gathering for Gatewood Residents.

## Find Us Online!

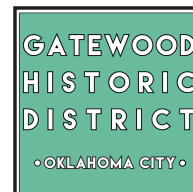
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	Connect with your neighbors on Nextdoor, <a href="https://nextdoor.com/">https://nextdoor.com/</a> , a private social network for neighborhoods
	See our posts on Instagram ( <a href="https://www.instagram.com/okcgatewood/">https://www.instagram.com/okcgatewood/</a> )

## Neighborhood Survey

The Gatewood Historic District Neighborhood Association needs your input. Visit the online link below and let us know how we can do better!  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C5NM5CV>

## GATEWOOD STICKERS

We have new branded stickers! Find them at any one of our neighborhood events for \$3 each. Bonus, each 2020 membership will come with a GHD sticker!



## GATEWOOD TRIVIA

What is registered title of the only building within the Gatewood Historic District currently listed on the National Register of Historic Places?

Send in your responses to [okcgatewood@gmail.com](mailto:okcgatewood@gmail.com) with the Subject line GHD Trivia!

Respondents with the correct answer will be entered into a raffle for a grand prize!

### Last Issue's Winner!



The correct answer to last issue's trivia question was submitted by Jason Johnston! He received a \$25 gift certificate to Empire.

The answer to what house is on the original Gatewood Historic District logo is that Steve and Lynn Garman came up with this piece of clip art and it has survived all these years to see the amazing place that owes so much to those early Urban Pioneers. So, there is no house anywhere here...

## GHD 2020 T-SHIRTS

New year, new shirts! We have partnered with Oklahoma Shirt Company to deliver this awesome design. We will also post a link to purchase on our website when they are ready.



## Safety and Security

This article is prompted by the recent events in an Oklahoma City Mall and multiple postings on the Next Door App.

There is a term for the state of mind for people who experience a potentially dangerous situation and fail to respond in an immediate and self preserving manor. Normalcy Bias is defined as a belief people hold when there is the possibility of a disaster. It causes people to underestimate both the likelihood of a disaster and its possible effects, because people believe things will always function the way things normally function.

The sound that is heard and the question asked on Next Door is. “did anyone hear the

fireworks or was it gunshots?” The fireworks part of that question is normalcy bias. The real answer is almost always gunshots. Both answers are illegal acts in the city limits and should be reported to the police by calling 911. The gunshot part of this question is the most likely to be personal disaster and is the focus of this brief lesson.

Whether at home or in a mall when you hear a gunshot your first and immediate response should be to seek cover and determine from which direction the shots came. Then assess the situation for the safety of your surroundings and a possible safe and secure way out of immediate harm. Learn Situa-

tional Awareness. This may mean waiting until the panicked crowd has trampled over each other or mean that you are leading the group to cover, a safe exit or a safe place that can be barricaded against the attacker.

This article is not meant to be training for emergency evacuation but is aimed at making you aware of normalcy bias. The author hopes you will do a little research on your own and learn to keep yourself, your family and those around you safe when disaster is approaching. Check out [modernsurvivalblog.com](http://modernsurvivalblog.com) and a few videos on Youtube to be more effective in your journey to being safe in all situations.

## HOLIDAY DECORATIONS CONTEST



Three homes were chosen by a committee to receive First, Second and Third prizes in Holiday Decorations. The owners will receive \$75/\$50/\$25 gift cards.

