



# UNION STATION NEWS

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## Yard of the Month for holiday decorations:

Nov.: The family at 1205 N Willow Ave.

Dec.: The Touthang family at 1009 N Willow Ave.

- Congratulations to these families! Several homes in Union Station had had beautiful Christmas decorations. Thanks to all who participated!
- The Yard of the Month Award will begin again in May.

## Dues

- **2021 dues are \$180; invoices will be mailed this month, due 4/15/2021.**
- Your HOA Board works very hard to get several bids for each job in order to keep our dues low. Please note that our annual dues are \$30-\$50 less than they were a few years ago. Several of us cleaned out our rented storage unit, thus saving \$35/month.
- 2020 dues (\$193) are past due and have been accruing interest since May 15<sup>th</sup>. If your income has been adversely affected by COVID-19 or if you need to arrange a payment plan, contact Judy Martin (Text/call 903-815-2725) or Steve Sumrall (text/call 918-521-1249 to discuss).

## Park

- If you see a broken light bulb or broken sprinkler head in our park, please contact the Board via our website Contact Page.

## US HOA Entry

- Many of you have noticed the damage done to the landscaping in the median in our entry on December 5th. Using residents' cameras, we were able to see a huge white dump truck plow through and proceed into our neighborhood at 3:10am. The truck evidently stopped at the park for 30 minutes, then left out the same entry. There were no identification marks on the truck; a police report was filed. Fortunately, it appears that no sprinkler heads were damaged. However, several shrubs will have to be replaced in the spring.

## Ice and Snow

- At the request of a homeowner, the Board discussed the possibility of snowplowing the streets and/or having salt spread when conditions warrant. Unfortunately, we decided that it

would not be feasible to try to find someone at the last minute. An area in BA did have the streets plowed today. However, the plow left a wall of snow along the driveways, making it very difficult for sedans to leave. Another problem is the number of our residents who park on the street. If anyone knows of a company/person who can spread salt, we could get a bid to consider for the next time we have an ice storm, but it is doubtful that we can compete with businesses and shopping areas. The City of BA does not plow or spread salt in neighborhoods.

### Trash Bins

- We have our new trash & recycle bins! Most residents are putting them away after the trucks pick up; thank you! Please remember that these bins must be kept in the garage or backyard or placed neatly alongside your home, except the evening before or the day of trash pick-up. The bins have certainly minimized trash day litter!

### US HOA Board

- Sadly, treasurer is leaving the area. We would like to find a replacement. If you are interested in being on the Board, please contact Steve Sumrall via our HOA email address in the heading.

### HOA Garage Sale

- If you are interested in having our annual May garage sale, please notify the USHOA Board via our email address above. As there was little participation in 2019, we won't have one unless residents request it. Of course, COVID-19 prevented having one last May.

### Architectural Review Committee

- Please contact the Architectural Review Committee via our website to get your project approved **before** replacing your roof shingles, painting your home, replacing your fence, installing an outbuilding, or making any significant improvement/change.
- We all want our properties to maintain their values. The appearance of our neighborhood is very important to potential buyers. Please keep your property looking its best, free of clutter and trash. Thank you!
- **Do not store items in areas that can be seen from the street.** Excess items should be stored behind your fence or in your garage. Thank you!

### See it, Click it, Fix it

- Broken Arrow participates in a website called SeeClickFix.com. Several potholes were repaired via notification to BA through this website. It's easy & free to sign up and participate. Take a picture of the pothole, provide a description & the address, answer a

couple of questions, and submit it. The repairs have been made within a couple of days of the photos being submitted.

### **Union Station HOA Newsletter**

- Newsletters will be emailed quarterly or when required to give information.
- Residents who have not shared their email address will need to read the newsletter at **unionstationba.org**. We have email addresses for about half of our homeowners. Thank you all for helping us save time and money! If you want a newsletter emailed to you, please send your name and email address to our HOA email address above. **If you have new neighbors, please share this information and encourage them to submit their email addresses.**

### **USHOA**

- Our website *unionstationba.org* has been updated and includes our Union Station By-Laws and Covenants, newsletters, and HOA Board member names and contact information.
- If you have any suggestions, questions, or issues, please contact the Board via our email: [ushoa@unionstationba.org](mailto:ushoa@unionstationba.org). This is also the place to send information for our next newsletter.