 Newsletter 2
By Commissioner Keith

Here we are again, Newsletter 2! We hope you enjoyed the first newsletter. We don’t want to bore you but keep you updated and informed of events happening in District 2. If you know of something we miss, please don’t hesitate to bring it to our attention. This newsletter is for you. The newsletter will be emailed to you and shared on Facebook. If you don’t want to receive the newsletter, please let us know and you will be removed from the email grouping.

Tulsa County Neighborhoods
Lake Station
By Commissioner Keith

Lake Station in 1890 was known as the Billington family farm, it was later platted for a neighborhood, Billington Acres. Allen Billington’s grandfather, M.S. Billington, bought the original land, today Allen is considered the neighborhood historian.

Allen Billington shows off: A Place Called Home
Written by past & present residents of Lake Station

Allen says, “My grandfather partnered with Charles Page to replace the old Model-T road between Tulsa and Sand Springs with a modern paved highway now called Charles Page Blvd.”

The Billington name would disappear in 1911 replaced by “Lake Station,” as Oilman and philanthropist Charles Page and Salvation Army Captain Breeding named all the stops along old highway.

The Trolley was considered a luxury for residents giving everyone easy access to Tulsa and Sand Springs as well as all the neighborhoods “along the line.”

Gerald Crow fondly remembers riding the trolley. “We paid 10¢ to go to Tulsa or 5¢ to make the journey to Sand Springs or Bruner Hills. It got a little rowdy in the evenings, some of the locals would go to the bars in Tulsa then make their way back home! My favorite stop on the trolley was the amusement park by the lake in Sand Springs.”

By 1954 the last Trolley would make its final run but the name Lake Station would stick.

Mary Ann Mize McGinty and her husband, Bill, live in the home her parents built in 1920. They invited neighbors, David Threet and Gerald...
Crow to sit down with me to reminisce about their beloved Lake Station.

They all recall fondly their grade school days at Lake Station Elementary. Their principal Mr. Pogue (the father of astronaut Bill Pogue) was held in high regard, they recalled that he had nicknames for all the kids. Mr. Pogue also served as teacher and coach. He is likely responsible for all the successful athletes that came from this neighborhood.

They all remember the day the school’s cook Mrs. Foley got killed in her new car as she pulled out on the highway. Students ran outside to see what had happened. David’s mother, Mavis, was asked to fill in as the cook and never left the job. David remembers working for his lunch money. “I swept the floors of the cafeteria. It was a $1.40 a week or 35¢ a meal. It was considered a big deal to be asked by Mr. Pogue to help out in the cafeteria or to serve on the safety Patrol.”

The river and levee were an important part of their childhood. They would ride their bikes throughout the neighborhood and up on the levee. That levee was also perfect to slide down on cardboard! Gerald and David remember their dads fishing with trot lines, catching catfish and carp. They laughed that catfish would make it to the dinner table but the carp would be thrown back in the water.

Before the Keystone dam in 1964, the river frequently flooded the neighborhood making row boats the best way to get around.

Before city water and sewer everyone had wells.

Mary Ann’s father was skeptical about easy access to water, “He was amazed that the water table was so shallow that it would take less than an hour to get a pipe set and plenty of water for their homes. We relied on those wells. In the 1950’s it was too expensive to connect to city water at $500.00, that was too steep for most of our families. Their roads were gravel and dusty! Asphalt didn’t come till passage of county funding package years later.

Former resident Jim Sellers, says they continue to hold neighborhood reunions, “We were a poor community, but rich with family and friends that continue to communicate even today.” While money was scarce they supported as many as 3 small groceries at one time. Today though, not in the best of shape, this grocery is still standing.

Ed and Tracy’s
Ed and Tracy Donelson opened their patio and yard store 3 years ago at 7910 Charles Page Blvd. A great addition in the neighborhood! Their renovated home in Lake Station is a shining example of how this neighborhood can become a great place to live again.
Gilcrease Expressway Meeting

By John Fothergill

If you attended the Gilcrease Expressway meeting on February 15th at Chandler Park, the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA) along with their engineering group, Garver, presented the initial plan for the Gilcrease Expressway and Turnpike from South 51st over the Arkansas River to Edison. A copy of that presentation can be found here:

http://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/7181a5_4e1786c52558438eb3b3403be0508f3.pdf

After the initial meeting, OTA decided they should have another meeting to better facilitate communication with area residents and businesses on the North side of the river. That meeting is on Tuesday, March 6th. Should you want to submit a comment to the OTA, please fill out this form and submit it by March 15th as the deadline has been extended because of this additional meeting:

http://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/7181a5_4eefeo01c9e1437f8f48608d1d66a87d.pdf

District Business Highlight

Magellan Midstream, 1 Williams Center, Tulsa, OK, 74101

By John Fothergill

You may know of Magellan Midstream Partners, L.P from the storage tanks on W. 21st, but that’s just a small portion of this company’s storage and pipeline capacity. Magellan is a publicly traded partnership that primarily transports, stores and distributes refined petroleum products and crude oil. It operates in 24 states, has over 1,700 employees and is headquartered here in Tulsa. Magellan owns the longest refined petroleum products pipeline system in the country, with access to nearly 50% of the nation’s refining capacity, and can store more than 100 million barrels of petroleum products (that’s 4.2 billion gallons) such as gasoline, diesel fuel and crude oil.

Formerly a part of Williams Companies, in September 2003, they changed the name to Magellan Midstream Partners and began trading under the stock ticker MMP.

In 2004, Magellan purchased significant assets from Shell, including more than 3,000 miles of refined product pipelines as well as terminals and storage capacity. In 2007, another acquisition expanded Magellan’s footprint again with increased capabilities in Texas. In 2009, they purchased the Longhorn Pipeline running from Houston to El Paso. In 2010, Magellan purchased another 100 miles of pipeline and 7.8 million barrels of storage from BP. In 2013, Magellan acquired approximately 800 miles of refined petroleum products pipeline, four terminals and 1.7 million barrels of storage from Plains All American Pipeline. This purchase added assets in Colorado, New Mexico, South Dakota and Wyoming.

Today, Magellan has 9,700-mile refined products pipeline system with 53 connected terminals as well as 27 independent terminals and a 1,100-mile ammonia pipeline system. In addition, they own approximately 2,200 miles of crude oil pipelines and storage facilities with an aggregate storage capacity of about 26 million barrels. They also operate five marine terminals located along coastal waterways with an aggregate storage capacity of approximately 26 million barrels.

With the recent rains and flooding in Cherokee County and way down stream in Arkansas, we just wanted to let you know about what we are doing here in Tulsa County. We have two sets of levees, the Tulsa-West Tulsa levee system known as Levee District 12 and the Jenks Levee. Both systems are inspected and maintained on a routine basis. For Levee District 12, we have a monthly SWIF (System Wide Improvement Frameworks) initiative that was implemented in 2011 to help address changes in the national standards of levees. SWIF is a plan developed by the levee sponsor and accepted by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for local implementation of improvements to levee systems. The plans address unacceptable inspection items in a prioritized way to optimize flood risk reduction. The SWIF process allows levee sponsors to remain eligible for federal rehabilitation assistance (P.L. 84-99 program) while addressing deficiencies. In June 2012, USACE approved the Tulsa County Drainage District 12 request for conditional reacceptance into the P.L. 84-99 program and a two-year period to develop a SWIF plan.

To begin the SWIF process, Drainage District 12 initiated an engineering assessment of the three levee systems. This approach will provide a better understanding of the condition of the levees, the estimated cost to bring them up to current standards, and a prioritization of repairs.

This additional data will help communities continue to advance comprehensive flood risk management planning and associated prioritized implementation of alternatives, with the ultimate goal to reduce the risk of flooding along the Arkansas River Corridor in Tulsa County.

Todd Kilpatrick, Levee Commissioner, will provide a levee update at the March 27, 2018 Breakfast with Karen meeting, 7:30 a.m., Crescent Café, 347 South 113th West Avenue, Prattville, OK, 74063.
Sand Springs Rotary Downhill Derby

By John Fothergill

The Sand Springs Rotary Club will be hosting this year’s Downhill Derby, Saturday, March 31st from 9:00AM until 3:00PM at the Sand Springs Triangle at Main St and Broadway St in beautiful downtown Sand Springs, OK. This year’s event will be a great day of fun for the whole family. They will feature soapbox car racing in both competitive and novelty divisions for adult and youth entries and will include prizes for the winners including trophies.

Here is the link to enter a car: http://www.jotform.us/form/5232077656
Here is the link if you would like to be a vendor: http://www.jotform.us/form/5231839713

If you have any questions, please contact Sand Springs Rotary here: http://www.sandspringsrotary.com/?s=contact

Josh Driskell, Jenks Chamber President & CEO, Appointed to National Board of Trustees of Institute for Organization Management

By John Fothergill

The Institute for Organization Management, the professional development program of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, has appointed Josh Driskell, IOM, President and CEO of the Jenks Chamber of Commerce, to the National Board of Trustees. As a member of the trustees, Driskell will help set the strategic direction of Institute and will take an active role in advancing Institute’s standard operating and curriculum policies.

Since its commencement in 1921, the Institute program has educated tens of thousands of association, chamber, and other nonprofit leaders on how to build stronger organizations, better serve their members, and become strong business advocates.

Institute’s 24-member National Board of Trustees serves in an advisory capacity to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and has policy-recommending responsibilities. Each trustee is nominated by their peers.

Driskell graduated from Winter Institute at the University of Arizona in Tucson, Ariz. in 2017. He has served as President of the Jenks Chamber of Commerce since 2010. A graduate of the University of Tulsa, Driskell currently serves as Chair of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce Executives, a statewide professional development organization for chamber of commerce professionals.

Please help us congratulate Josh for his leadership in Jenks, for the State of Oklahoma and now on a national stage to guide Chambers to help their member succeed.

Berryhill Fire Station

By Fire Chief Michael Hall

The Berryhill Fire Protection District has come a step closer to realizing a five-year dream. In March the culmination of years of planning and budgeting, an election will come to fruition with a completed fire station and Firehall “community space”. The thousands of hours spent by both board members and firefighters to provide this jewel for the Berryhill community has been a labor of love. The citizens have been there for us on so many occasions when we have asked for their support, this facility should give all of us some sense of civic pride and a much more functional space. The Firehall boasts state of the art multimedia capabilities and a functional fireplace. The entire space was designed with civic use in mind. There are not many fire stations that provide a comfortable sitting and mass communications area, but that is what we wanted here. A place where information is exchanged with the community daily. The other benefits of a space like this is you can come to us with your concerns and ailments. The facility will be available to all district assessed people for free. The space will include a kitchenette, sitting areas, and bathrooms as well as a conference/breakout room. Reservations for the facility will be taken by the fire department beginning in the next few weeks.

Expo Square Public Events

3-1, 2018: Just Between Friends Spring Sale
3-8 through 11, 2018: Greater Tulsa Home & Garden Show
3-10, 2018: Tulsa Flea Market
3-13, 2018: Tulsa World Jobs.com Career Fair
3-15 through 18, 2018: Tulsa Dog Training Club
3-17 through 18, 2018: RK Shows Inc. Gun & Knife Show
3-23 through 24, 2018: OK Pinto Spring Premier
3-24, 2018: Tulsa Flea Market

County Offices and Court House Closed for Good Friday

By John Fothergill

County Office and the Tulsa County Court House will be closed on Friday, March 30th, 2018. Jenks, Sand Springs and Tulsa City Halls will be closed as well. The complete listing of Tulsa County Holidays can be found here:
Do You Need A Public Speaker?
Commissioner Keith and Deputy Commissioner Fothergill are available to speak to your group. From Boy Scouts to Rotary to a church group, we will do our best to be available to speak or answer questions on a wide range of topics that deal with Tulsa County. If you would like to check their availability, please contact Sherry Langston at slangston@tulsacounty.org or call 918-596-5016.

BOCC United Way Project
Would you like to purchase a Tulsa County logo front vanity license plate for your vehicle or “just because” it looks so good? Proceeds go to the Tulsa Area United Way campaign. Please contact Sherry at 918-596-5016 and she will take care of it. Cost is $10.00.

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## March 2018

County meetings are held at: Ray Jordan Tulsa County Administration Building  
500 South Denver, Avenue, Tulsa, OK

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|   |   |   |   |   | BOCC Meeting, 9:30 am, Room 119 | Gilcrease Expressway Charles Page Neighborhood Meeting, 5:30 pm, Grace Church, 519 S. 49th W. Ave. | Vision Authority, 10:00 am, Room 119 | BOCC Management Conf., 9:30 am, Room 315 |   |   |   | BOCC Meeting, 9:30 am, Room 119 |   | Tax Roll Corrections Board Meeting, 3:00 pm, Room 119 |   |   |   | Public Facilities Authority Meeting, 8:00 am, Expo Square Culinary Training Center, 3902 E. 15th, Tulsa | Juvenile Justice Trust Authority, 2:00 pm, 315 Gilcrease Museum Rd, Tulsa |   |   |   | BOCC Meeting, 9:30 am, Room 119 | Industrial Authority Meeting, 10:30 am, Room 315 | Budget Board Meeting, 2:00 pm, Room 119 |   |   |   |   |   | Breakfast With Karen, Crescent Café, 7:30 am, 3417 S. 113 W. Ave., Sand Springs Chandler Park Community Meeting, 5:30 p.m., 6302 West 21st Street, Tulsa | Criminal Justice Authority Meeting, 8:30 am, Room 119 |   |   |   |   |   | COUNTY OFFICES CLOSED - GOOD FRIDAY HOLIDAY |   |   |   |   |   | Sand Springs Rotary Downhill Debry, 9:00 am, Broadway & Main St., Sand Springs |