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The next HOA Meeting is the 2nd Thursday of every odd numbered month at 6:00 pm at the Hardesty Library.

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Neighborhood Picnic on September 18th! See inside for details.

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8917 S. 71st E. Ave - AUGUST Yard-of-the-Month

# Yards-of-the-Month

Congratulations to Leon and Mary Stagg (FRONT COVER) and Christie Thomason and Douglas Friend for the beautiful Chimney Hills Estates yards.

We had a lot of great yards to choose from this year. The landscaping committee said that they had a difficult time since there were several yards, some on the same street, that could have easily won.

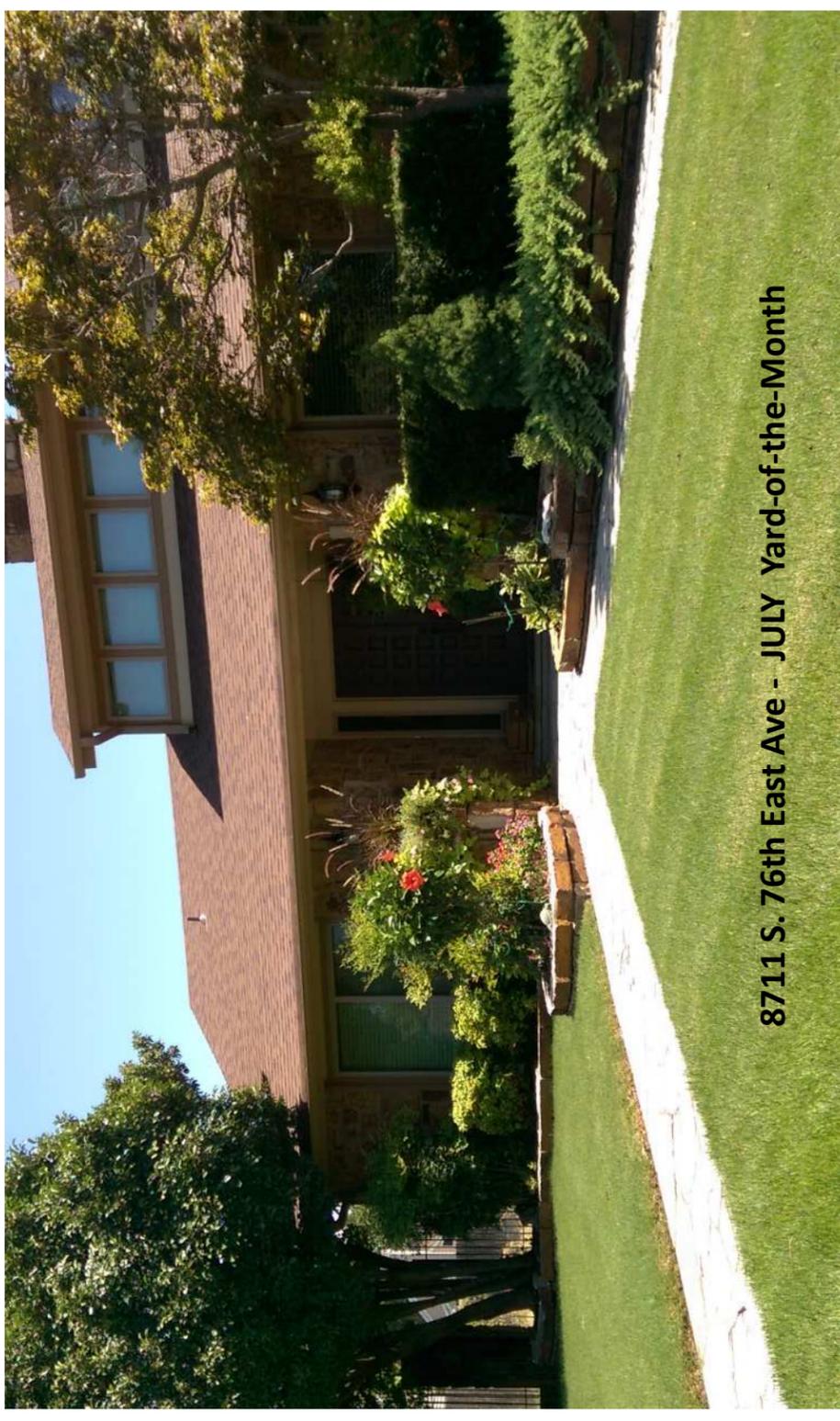
The winners receive a \$50 thank you prize from the Homeowner Association, plus a special sign is placed in the yard for bragging rights.

You can see from the photos that these owners pay as much attention to foliage and texture, as well as color. There are some attractive contrasts.

Careful placement of trees and shrubs enhance the front yards without hiding the house. If you're are working on landscaping, leave room to plan a grand entrance like Christie and Doug did.

Find a spot like the area around the mail box and be bold. Add a little drama and dimension to your yard like Mary and Leon did with the large flower bed in the front.

Last but not least, create a sensational yard by keeping it simple. *There is elegance in simplicity.* That is what I love about the July winners. Everything points to the lovely entrance and double wood door entrance. It is lovely.



8711 S. 76th East Ave - JULY Yard-of-the-Month

## Note from the Beth Davis, HOA President.

The storm winds blew through Chimney Hills and caused some neighbors a lot of damage. If you're still looking for someone to repair fence or roof damage, please call our advertiser Nichteck Roofing, they can help you.

This year the board decided to pursue legal action in order to collect on delinquent homeowner dues. We are your neighbors too, so it's not a fun thing to do, but it had to be done since it's not fair when some pay and others don't. As a result, the attorney has been able to collect a good amount of the delinquent dues. At the next HOA meeting on August 11th, we will look at how much we have recovered.

Also, with the help of Debbi, our Treasurer, we will look at our budget in order to gauge how we're doing compared to past year.

Our Facebook group is very active with around 351 members. Our community is working together to keep each other alert. I highly recommend that you join the **Chimney Hills Estates HOA group on Facebook** if you want to keep up on what's happening in the neighborhood. Like this morning someone posted about a lost dog and that the Braums restaurant on 91st was closing.

### Here is a short list of upcoming events:

- The September 18th CHE Picnic at Hunter Park.
- Get ready for the Christmas Light contests.
- The Annual Homeowners meeting is in December.

The Chimney Hills board meetings at are held on the 2nd Thursday of even month at the Hardesty Library from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Please join us.

**The picnic was a big hit last year! Please come! It's a great way to meet your neighbors. The HOA will supply Nathan hot dogs, chips and water. Please bring dessert or anything else you want to share. There will be fun, prizes and giveaways! If you play an instrument bring it and we can sing-along. Fun activities for the kids and adults!**

CHIMNEY HILLS  
NEIGHBORHOOD

PICNIC

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 18TH  
HUNTER PARK  
1:00pm to 3:00pm



## Don't shave your dog in the summer.



FREE house calls in Chimney Hills

1. **Your dog's coat helps keep your dog cool.** A dog's coat provides natural air conditioning. How? Dogs have tiny muscles connected to their hair shafts that allow the hairs to stand up and catch a breeze. The double coats of some northern breeds like Akitas, Huskies and Malamutes, for example help insulate them from the summer heat.
2. **Fur is a natural sunscreen.** The coat protects your dogs skin from direct contact with sunlight and UV rays that can cause sunburn and skin cancer.
3. **All that fur helps to keep allergens away.** The fur acts as a natural barrier to dust mites, pollen and grasses that can cause allergic reactions in dogs.

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**4. The fur might not grow back evenly after a shave.** In most cases, your dog's coat will grow back completely normal. But sometimes, especially if the skin gets infected for any reason, the growth may not come back the same.

Sometimes, there can be a good reason to shave a dog. If your dog has a severe flea allergy, a quick shave may help the flea medicine go on more smoothly.

**Worried about how to keep your dog cool?** Groom your dog on a regular basis and maybe just shave her belly. Keep fresh water available and a cool place for her to rest out of the sun.

Walk your pet during the cooler hours of the day to avoid scorching sun and burning hot concrete. If you're uncomfortable walking then your pet probably is too.

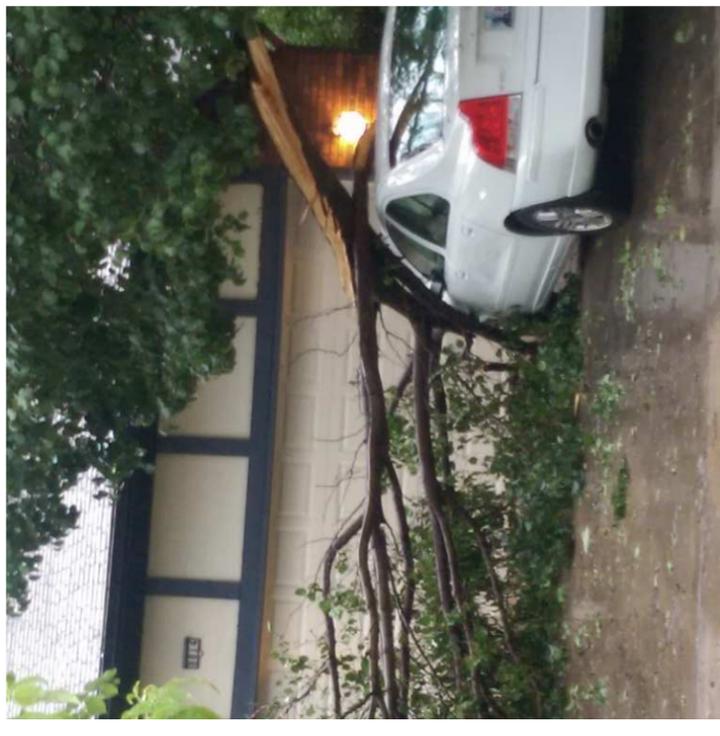
**Dr.Carolynne Cash is a Chimney Hills Estates resident and Vet.**

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## 5 Ways to prepare for high winds.

1. **Build an emergency kit.** Your kit should include: A three-day supply (minimum) of water and non-perishable food for each family member, First-aid supplies, Personal hygiene items, Portable radio, Flashlight, Fresh batteries, Basic tools, Work gloves, Portable lanterns, Signaling device (such as an air horn), Prescription medications, Extra car keys, Extra eyeglasses, Cash, Important contact numbers (such as medical centers, insurance agents, utilities, neighbors and family members), Copies of important documents (such as identification, insurance policies, ownership certificates and banking information)
2. **Maintain trees and shrubbery in your yard,** remove weak branches and eliminate trees that could fall on your home during a storm. Falling trees and blowing debris in storms can cause fatalities and severe structural damage.
3. **Replace rock or gravel landscaping material** with shredded bark, which won't cause damage if it is blown around by strong winds.
4. **Identify the safest area of your home,** a place where you can take shelter when the storm hits.
5. **Stay away from windows and doors** when the storm arrives, and keep all exterior doors and windows closed to prevent rain and falling debris damage in your home's interior. Keep children inside when there is high wind and lightning.

(Adapted from Mother Nature Network online. www.mnn.com)



# Temperature Range for Painting Your House.



The maximum and minimum recommended temperatures for exterior paint vary depending on the type (oil or latex) and specific brand of paint used, but a general rule of thumb is that oil-based paint can be applied when the temperatures are between 40° - 90° F and latex between 50° - 85° F. The best drying will occur when the relative humidity is 40% to 70%.

Too high or low a temperature can cause the paint to not bind together properly, which can lead to cracking and peeling. Latex can also be difficult to apply at high temperatures, since it will dry too quickly to brush out properly.

When you're painting outside, work your way around the house during the day so that you're not painting in the sun, since the actual temperature on a sunny surface will be much higher than the weather forecast "in the shade" temperature.

([www.todayshomeowner.com](http://www.todayshomeowner.com))

## Help! My grass is too tall to mow!

When time has gotten away from you or you've been on vacation or the lawn mower broke, how do you mow tall grass and weeds?

First attack it with a weed eater and bring it down to a height of about 5- 6 inches. Then, rake up all the trimmings so you won't have to worry about the quantity of clippings. Then, set your mower to the highest setting and slowly begin to mow.

Start with your first pass about 1/3 the width of the mower and see how that goes. If that is too much, try 1/4 the width of the mower. Make sure you have a nice sharp blade on the mower for best results.

Better yet, you can hire a professional to mow it for you.



# Can I do this in Chimney Hills Estates?

Have you ever wondered what the Covenants say about certain things? You are always welcome to contact any of the board members if you have questions. You can also download the Bylaws and Covenants from our Facebook Group.

Here are a few questions that have come up within the last year:

## Can I have chickens?

Sorry, only for dinner. You are not allowed to raise livestock on your property in Chimney Hills Estates. No animals, livestock, or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred, or kept on any lot, except that dogs, cats or other household pets may be kept provided that they are not kept, bred, or maintained for any commercial purpose.

## Can I choose any color I want for my roof?

We have some great color choices for you but in order to keep the beauty of Chimney Hills consistent, the roofing colors are limited to certain weathered wood choices. Please contact us before you roof.

## Are there covenants about dogs barking?

If a neighbor's dog is a nuisance, that is a city ordinance violation. Please report it at [www.cityofTulsa.com](http://www.cityofTulsa.com).

## How long can I park my RV in front of my house?

Thank you for asking. 72 hours is the limit. If you see a trailer, boat or RV parked longer, please contact us and the HOA will send them a letter requesting that it be moved. It is a covenant violation.

## Can I put a Tiny House in my back yard for my Mom to live in?

Sorry, Mom can't stay in the yard. No trailer, tent, shed, garage, barn or other out building shall at any time be used as a residence or business, temporarily or permanently.

## Do I need permission to put in a pool?

Not from us. Although you may want the contractors to check with the city and get the proper permits.

## My neighbor's yard is ugly. Can I put in a really tall fence?

Talk to us. The covenants say no fences more than 6 ft. 6 inches in height will be permitted on any lot, except privacy fencing adjacent (within 3 feet) to patios, may be 8 ft. in height. Although, some higher and unique fencing has been allowed under certain circumstances.

## How long can I leave a political sign in my yard?

30 days

## Do I need permission to add on to my house?

Depends. Please contact us about any additions or if you are installing an outbuilding or a shed. Also, check with the city about any permits or restrictions that may apply.

## A neighbor's dog bit my dog. Can you send them a letter or fine them?

Your Homeowner's Association can not help you with violent dogs. We recommend that you call the police.

## How big can my shed be?

No out building shall be constructed in excess of **nine feet in height**, measured from the ground to the highest point on the structure, nor exceed a ground area of **120 sq. ft.** without the approval of the Architectural Committee of Chimney Hills Estates.

### BOARD MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION: In case of an emergency, call 911 or the appropriate authority.

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