### MESTA PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

News and information for ALL residents of the Mesta Park Historic Preservation District

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# **GET INVOLVED!**



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# **GET PROUD!**

#### HALLOWEEN DECORATING COMPETITION RESULTS 2023

Another successful Halloween Decorating Competition! We had 12 entrants and raised over \$500 dollars for our beautiful streetlights. Thank you so much to all who entered the competition and donated. I was blown away by your creativity! Congratulations to all of the Winners!

Big thanks to our wonderful judges: Beloved lighting guru Joe (Buz) Goodrich, president of the beautiful Gatewood Neighborhood Association Patricia Downey and Jade Urash of Chirp and Cheers in Midtown. We truly appreciate the time you all took to judge our competition.

RESULTS:

Graveyard: 1. 801 NW 16th st 2. 900 NW 19th st

Too Cute to Spook: 1. 601 NW 19th St 2. 609 NW 18th st and 900 NW 19th st

Scariest: 1. 801 nw 17th 2. 1917 N Shartel Ave

Block of Horrors: 1. 800 Block of 17th

2. 800 Block of 16th







by Jackie Arnold

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#### THIRD ANNUAL HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST

As we approach the holiday season, one of the things we most look forward to is the enthusiasm with which our neighborhood embraces festive decorating! Year after year, we continue to share our holiday vision with each other both inside and outside our homes. As we carry on the tradition of fantastic outdoor decor, we encourage all who share in this love to participate in **Mesta Park's Third Annual Holiday Decorating Contest**! The street lights that lend so much character to our neighborhood have been undergoing major refurbishment, and we would love to keep the project moving forward! All entry proceeds will go directly to supporting this cause. We would so welcome any or all to participate! Winners get bragging rights and an awesome sign to proudly display in their front yards!

Applications to be a part of the competition are due by December 15th and can be found on the Mesta Park Website under events. The entry fee is \$25. If this is a cause you would like to support further, donations in excess of \$25 are welcome and so appreciated. All judging will be completed Friday, December 15th through Sunday, December 17th. Winners will be announced on Monday December 18th.

#### Categories

**Griswold Award**: Go as over the top, bold and bright as possible. **North Pole Award**: Involve your whole block, and create a display together. **Best Character Use**: Bring in any of your holiday favorites. **Traditional**: Create a classic, down home holiday display.

#### SIXTY-PLUS GATHERING ENJOYED BY ALL

by Mary Clark

The 60+crowd from Mesta Park and some friends from Heritage Hills gathered at the back yard of Claudia Conner and Jerry Carter's home on 18th street for a pre-Halloween happy hour on October 26th. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks were provided by the Mesta Park Association. Costumes were optional and some came prepared. This is a bi-annual event started to bring together those in our neighborhood who have passed six decades or more. All have made new friends, even those who have lived in Mesta Park for years. If you missed this one, look for the next party in the spring, especially if you are new to Mesta Park. For more information, contact Mary Clark, <u>marywalkerclark@hotmail.com</u>.







### Dates to Remember

Holiday Decorating Contest Dec 15 - 17 2023 Cocktail Party Dec 1, 2023, 7 - 9 pm Jones Assembly **2023 Holiday Home Tour** Dec 2, 2023, 4 - 8 pm

Dec 3, 2023, 1 - 4 pm

Watch Mesta Park social media for details on these events!

by Jackie Arnold

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#### FRIENDS OF MESTA PARK CELEBRATE 28 YEARS OF MESTA FESTA

by Lindsey McCarty

Combine a little neighborly merriment with the best local food, beer, live music, sponsors, shopping, volleyball, and sunshine, and you get the 28th Annual Mesta Festa. The community showed up in a big way on September 24<sup>th</sup> to participate in this time-honored tradition, bringing people together across OKC to support this unique urban community.

All funds raised at the event benefit the Mesta Park Neighborhood Association, a nonprofit organization, and its efforts to improve and maintain the park, neighborhood, and greater OKC community.

Event sponsors deserve a final shout out for their incredible support in making this yet another successful event:

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This event simply would not be possible without the consistent support the MPNA receives from local breweries, including: 405 Brewing Co, Clubby, COOP Ale Works, Cross Timbers Brewing Co, Kahloseum Brewing, Lively Beerworks, Roughtail Brewing Company, Stonecloud Brewing Co, The Big Friendly, Red Earth Brewers, Sleeping Dogs Brewing, Capital, and Anheuser-Busch. One Thank you all for the beers and cheers!

The heartbeat of this neighborhood is its people, and with a volunteer-led committee, there are a few that certainly deserve to be recognized. Thank you, thank you, THANK YOU to the Mesta Festa Committee (pictured above): Dave Beylund, Beth Wilson, Justin Brannon, Olivia Mitchell, Justin Lawrence, Denver Tracy, Linda Tracy, Matthew Vaughan, Lindsey McCarty, Boston Tracy, Justin Grose, Jeff Gockstetter, Jason Hsu, Noah McCarty, Joshua Newberry, and Amy Newberry. We were lucky to have Seth Lewis and his team lend their talents to Mesta Festa this year- thank you for everything! We are also deeply grateful to JB Schuelein for his outstanding dedication to keeping Perle Mesta Park beautiful and to Andy Burnett for championing all things volleyball at the park.

One final thanks must also go to all the neighbors and friends who volunteered or came to enjoy the day and support the neighborhood. It takes a village! We are counting down the days to Mesta Festa 2024 - if you are interested in getting plugged into this fun event next year, email officersandboard@mestapark.org.

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December 9 | 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.







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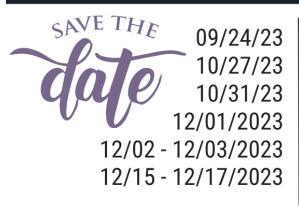


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MESTA FESTA HALLOWEEN DECORATING CONTEST TRICK-OR-TREAT BLOCK CLOSURES HOLIDAY COCKTAIL PARTY HOLIDAY HOME TOUR HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST

### 📂 MORE DETAILS 💛

- Contest judged Fri 10/27 Sun 10/29
- Entry fees will fund maintenance &
  - upkeep of our beautiful street lights
- Register at mestapark.org/contests
  Multiple categories listed on website
- \$25 entry fee (enter own home or a
- szs entry ree (enter own norme of a neighbor's home \*please ask first\*)

- Fri, 12/1 : 7PM 9PM
- At Jones Assembly
- Tickets on sale in October
- Space will be limited
- Proceeds will go toward beautification/maintenance of the park & neighborhood
- Want to close your East/West block to
   vabioular traffic for acfety on Halloward
  - vehicular traffic for safety on Halloween?
- Each block responsible for approx \$30
- barricade rental & gathering signatures
- MPNA will coordinate & pay for OKC permits & coordinate barricade delivery
- Contact hollyjarolim@gmail.com w/?'s
- Tour beautiful historic homes
- Sat, 12/2: 4pm-8pm
- Sun, 12/3: 1pm-5pm
- Refreshment porch with Santa & cookies
- Tickets on sale in November

HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST • Check mestapark.org/contests on 11/1 for details



Interested in volunteering for neighborhood events?

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