

# Belle Isle Buzz

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**Belle Isle  
Enterprise Middle School  
5904 N. Villa Ave.  
7 / 8 Grade Site**

The Belle Isle Enterprise Middle School (BIEMS) in our neighborhood is in the process of administering state mandated end-of-school tests. The exams take place over a three-week period and cover language arts, (8<sup>th</sup> grade also having a writing test), science, and math.

This has been a most unusual school year, but the students are in school, in class Tuesday through Friday. Mondays are still remote learning. All teachers were vaccinated for COVID-19. The last day of the school year is May 26.

Sports are back at the school. Both baseball and soccer are in action. There is soccer for both girls and boys, and the baseball team is having an outstanding season with an undefeated record.

Families who are interested in more information or about enrolling at BIEMS next school year should contact the middle school at (405) 587-6600.

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

## **Speeding in Residential Neighborhoods**

Everyone knows not to drive too fast in neighborhoods but many still do it. The Oklahoma City Police has been watching drivers going down Villa Ave.; I do not know how many speeders caught/tickets issued. On 3 occasions in the last few weeks, I have seen a police car in the school parking lot facing NW 58<sup>th</sup> Place. I sure hope this helps our situation.

Sincerely, Shelli Wasson

## **Storm Shelter Registry - Contact the Action Center**

All storm shelters need to be registered. First responders need to know where to look for you in case of an emergency. If a tornado blows through the neighborhood, you want someone to know you are in a storm shelter under the floor in your garage. Remember how the May 3, 1999 tornado in Moore, OK demolished neighborhoods? For registry, contact the Action Center, (405) 297-2535 or

<https://app.okc.gov/Applications/StormShelter/>

Registering your storm shelter is a simple process. Provide your Oklahoma City address, the type of shelter you have, where it is located.

You may also provide the name and phone number of an emergency contact person. This additional contact information is optional and not required to register your shelter.

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Villa Ave. and 2400-2412 NW 63<sup>rd</sup> St. –  
Brooks Taylor



## **Metropolitan Library System**

**Belle Isle Library** – 3621 NW Expressway, OKC Temporary Location; (405) 843-9601

The Belle Isle Library update and expansion is in full swing with completion scheduled for early 2022. The walls are going up so if you have not driven by the library lately, you will be happy to see the progress. In the meantime, continue to access the library at the temporary site 3621 NW Expressway, near the Buy for Less grocery. In addition, multitudes of individual and family opportunities are offered at their web site, [www.metrolibrary.org](http://www.metrolibrary.org). Currently, the library is observing COVID-19 safety guidelines so you have to wear your mask. Starting May 1, all libraries will advance to the “Sit & Stay” stage, so you can read your book in the library. If you have any questions, chat with a librarian on the website or call (405) 843-9601.

In addition to checking out books for reading, many other experiences and programs are available too. There are take home kits for all ages from preschool through adults as long as they are available. For example, the last half of April offered preschool kits for learning about fireflies. There is also the tailored reading program for which one can register where a librarian will suggest books for your needs and desires with an email monthly to your web address.

Go to the Facebook page from the library site to see many other special programs offered during the month ranging from gardening presented by a Master Gardener to the public program of the US Poet Laureate Joy Harjo, native Oklahoman. These are among many of the unique experiences that the library offers. Take advantage of some of these opportunities that enrich life in our community.

## **Be Prepared for Electricity Outages During Storm Season: OG&E (405) 272-9741**

Every household losing power should contact OG&E. Neighborhoods reporting the most calls of outages are prioritized.

**HeartLine 211**

**Social help for Oklahomans in need**

**211 or (405) 286-4057**


Mail dues to:  
**Belle Isle West NA**  
5030 N. May, Box 118  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

2021 Belle Isle West  
Neighborhood Association Dues  
**BIW** Neighborhood Association Dues



Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phones(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your canceled check  
is your receipt.

◆ **Annual dues are \$35.00 per household.** ◆  
 (Make checks to BIW Neighborhood Assn.) *Thank*  
I have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ *You!*

**MANY THANKS FOR YOUR DONATIONS!**

Several people add a little (or a lot) to their dues check each year to help fund projects in our neighborhood. We would like to send out a BIG thank you to the following generous neighbors who recently contributed a total of \$255 over and above their \$35.00 yearly dues:

They are Mike & Earlene Parr, Marjorie Long, Susan MacHugh, Stephen Parker, James Weber, Marveta Williams, Christie & Tim Baker, Cherokee Clark, Steven & Sarah Smith, and Tanya Turner.

Our non-profit organization is educational, social, voluntary, intended to improve our neighborhood and because you receive no goods or actual services from the association, your dues and any amount you choose to donate (up to \$250) are tax deductible because we hold a 501(C)3 designation with the IRS. If you have further questions, you may consult with your tax expert.

If we failed to list anyone who donated an amount over your dues, please let us know and we will recognize you in the next newsletter. Thanks!

**31<sup>st</sup> Garden Festival at Will Rogers Park**

**Event ID: 36986**

Join us at our annual Garden Festival in the Park. If you are looking for gardening related products there will be potted plants, nursery plants, ironworks, wood as well as natural products to use in your home. Activities geared towards children, fairy home scavenger hunt and Alpacas as well as scheduled guided tours of the Gardens.

Date: Sat., May 15, 2021    Time: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM    Location: Will Rogers Gardens  
Ages: All Ages    Cost: Free    3400 NW 36<sup>th</sup> St; (405) 297-1392

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**Calendar of Events in 2021**

**Business Meeting via Zoom**  
June 1 at 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. The meeting lasts one hour.

All residents of BIW are invited to attend electronically. Contact Greg Hall, [hallgreg05@gmail.com](mailto:hallgreg05@gmail.com) by May 27 for instructions to join the meeting.

**Future Business Meetings:**  
June 1, August 3, October 5, December 7.

**Neighborhood Activities!!**  
As we come out of our COVID-19 Pandemic, we can start planning some activities for this summer and fall. This could be as simple as having a Food Truck come to Ross Park. We need your input, ideas, and help!!

**Missing Bicycle**  
If your bicycle was stolen, please contact Bud Johnson to claim. (405) 842-4261.

