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Pride '99 a Huge Success

A huge thank you goes out to the entire community for their support of this year's Pride celebration. Several factors no doubt contributed to the great turnout for this year's events: the 1st Pride Parade in Tulsa; Congressman Barney Frank as the Grand Marshal and Featured Speaker; and the controversy caused by the Tulsa City Council and the usual slate of protestors.

Whatever the reason for the turnout, everyone seemed to have a great time this year. We thought last year's Picnic was a feat to pull off, but this year far

And Place in the OKC Pride Parade for Best Float!

expectations AND the receiver. Starting the day ic at 10:00 AM led by the Parade for Best Floats.

If you didn't

exceeded our expectations AND the results from last year. Starting the day with the picnic at 10:00 AM led by Grand Marshal Barney Frank, there were over 40 entries in the parade with scores of walkers. Few of our critics expected the over 1,000 participants in the parade. The finale of the parade was the 18 foot wide by 120 foot long Pride flag carried by a group of walkers. Look for this flag to continue as a fixture for many years to come.

Although the crowd of onlookers was sometimes sparse for the parade as it wound up Peoria to 31st Street to Riverside and ended at Veterans Park, there was a terrific group waiting at the park to welcome the marchers, floats and cars.

There were lots of great entries in the parade, including Best Float winners, the Gay Volleyball League, and Best Marching Unit, the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Gay & Lesbian Alliance.

The Picnic kicked off earlier than planned at 11:00 AM and was in full swing by Noon, when Congressman Frank spoke. The entertainment for the day was phenomenal. The variety of the booths was terrific. Everyone had an opportunity to really enjoy the day. Luckily the weather held out and, although a little muggy, it turned out to be a great day for a picnic. Turnout for this year's picnic is estimated at 2,000 to 2,500.

The Pride weekend kicked off with a showing of "Stonewall" on Thursday night at the Tulsa Gay Community Services Center. More than 30 people turned out for the showing, despite airconditioning problems and a lack of water early in the evening.

A smaller event was held later Saturday evening for those wanting to get a little dressed up. Co-hosted by TOHR and Cimarron Alliance and billed as "Pride & Power: An Evening with the Honorable Barney Frank," the dinner was preceded by two receptions. An open cash bar was available to everyone starting at 7:00 PM, and hour before the dinner. A VIP reception was also held at 7:00 PM for those willing to pay the extra money, giving those people an opportunity to meet Congressman Frank one-on-one.

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Attendance at the dinner was estimated at 200, VIP reception attendance at 85.

A final event for the weekend was held at Fellowship Congregational Church on Sunday morning. The Interfaith Prayer Breakfast was co-hosted by TOHR and the Parish Church of St. Jerome. Turnout was good for the breakfast but, unfortunately, Congressman Frank had to leave Tulsa before the breakfast even started, due to a schedule change. The breakfast still allowed the faith communities of Tulsa to come together in a common pursuit.

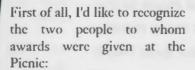
Again, thank you to the entire Tulsa community for the support of this year's Pride events. If we continue to work together in this way, there is nothing that we can't accomplish.

Thank You's From the President

What can I say? This was an incredible year for Pride. So many people are responsible for so many things that took place during the weekend. I'm sure I will forget someone. If I do, please do not take it personally. Let me know and I

will be sure to correct the

omission.



TOHR Volunteer of the Year Award for 1998-99 was given to Tim Gillean. Tim has given so much to TOHR over the last year, that there was no question for the board in deciding this award. Thank you, Tim, for all your hard work.

TOHR Pride '99 Volunteer Appreciation Award was given to Jason Reed. Jason put in as much work as any individual to make sure that this year's Pride events were great and he was always willing to do more. Thanks, Jason, for your hard work on the flag, the float, the picnic and parade.

Now to the Pride events:

Thank you to Congressman Barney Frank for being our special guest at this year's events. Congressman Frank was brought the Pride celebration to a new level and provided an incredible draw.

Pride Parade chair Mitchell Savage and Pride Picnic chair

Rick Martin put in a lot of work over many months to make the events happen. I really appreciate everything the two of you did to make this year happen!

Paul Barby came in as chair of the Pride Dinner at a very late date and helped to organize a great evening. Thanks for all your hard work!

Father Rick Hollingsworth took over as chair of the Interfaith Prayer Breakfast less than a month before the event and organized an outstanding event. Your hard work is greatly appreciated!

Kris Kohl deserves so much recognition for organizing the entertainment for the Picnic. It was not an easy task, but Kris came through with style and flair. Thank you Kris!

TOHR Board Members Greg Gatewood and Kerry Lewis deserve a lot of credit for the work they put in on the Pride events this year. Without their efforts, a lot of things would not have gotten done, including the TOHR float. Thanks guys, for all the time and effort you put in. You went well above and beyond in everything that you did!

TOHR Board Members Lynn Mostoller, Kathy Dales and Ken Draper also gave a lot of themselves to make sure that everything went without a hitch. I appreciate all of your hard work!

Others making a tremendous contribution to the Picnic and Parade were (in no particular order): Robin Leach, Melody Wittman. Barnard. Michael Davies, McGoveran, Fernando Este, Mark Humes, Michael Smith, Kathy McKnight, B. J. Mcdley and Walt Rockabrand.

Another set of people were instrumental in pulling off the Dinner: Martha Hardwick, Jack Wallace, Ken Southard, Mitchell Savage and Terry Gatewood.

Thank you to the members of the Council Oak Men's Chorale. Your participation in every phase of this year's Pride events went above and beyond what was expected.

Other contributors to this year's events included: Triangle, Tulsa Family News, The Storm and Pepsi-Cola/Dr. Pepper Bottling Co. of Tulsa

The Pride Picnic and Parade would not have been successful without the help of our sponsors for this year. Bud Light, as our rainbow sponsor, provided so much to make this year's event a success. Our other corporate sponsors were: Cimarron Alliance, Council Oak Men's

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Chorale, MCC United, PFLAG Tulsa, and Parish Church of St. Jerome.

Again, thank you to all that helped with this year's Pride. Without your help, it would not have happened.

Steve

Congressman Frank Has Much to Say

Congressman Barney Frank spoke at both the Pride Picnic and the Black-Tie (optional) Dinner that followed on Saturday evening. Congressman Frank had much to say at both events. but there are a couple of points that are most important. First of all, he made the point at both events that the one thing of utmost importance is that we all be registered to vote, first of all, and that we follow through and actually vote in every election. That is the way that we make our voices heard most effectively. And the voting doesn't just count once every other year or every four years. We have to vote in each and every election from the City Council all the way to the Presidency.

The second point is very much related to the first. We must become active participants in the legislative process. We have to be organized and actively contact our legislators and other elected officials. Other groups, including the National Rifle Association (NRA) and the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) have already recognized this importance and are know for organizing and executing effective letter-writing and phone call campaigns to influence legislation. Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender people have the same ability and opportunity to effect change in the country. If we all work together, along with our family and friends, we can change the oppressive attitude in this country.

Now is the time for the GLBT Community in Tulsa to pull together. TOHR is an organization serving the entire community regardless of any differences. By working together, we can change the attitudes in Tulsa, the state of Oklahoma and the United States; we can improve our Community Center and provide service to the entire community; we can fight for equal rights for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people. Please work with TOHR by joining us in our fight for equal, not special, rights.

TOHR Meetings for July

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

▼ Board Meeting: 6:00 PM ▼ Membership

Meeting: 7:30 PM The July Membership Meeting for TOHR is scheduled for Tuesday, July 13, 1999 at 7:30 PM. We will be discussing the results of the Pride '99 Events, forming a committee to look at real estate options, and discussing future events for TOHR, including a Coming Out Film Festival the weekend prior to Coming Out

Day (October 11) culminating in a Dance & Party. We will also be discussing the Holiday Dinner & Silent Auction scheduled for the beginning of December.

The TOHR Board Meeting for July is being moved this month due to scheduling conflicts. This month's Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 12, 1999 at 6:00 PM, prior to the Membership Meeting. If necessary, the meeting will be continued after the Membership Meeting.



Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays promotes the health and well-being of gay, lesbian and bisexual persons, their families and friends through: support, to cope with an adverse society; education, to enlighten an ill-informed public; and advocacy, to end discrimination and secure civil rights.

Helpline: 918.749.4901 P.O. Box 52800 Tulsa, OK 74152



July 1999 Community Calendar

ONGOJNG WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, July 7 -

Fellowship Congregational Church - FELLOWSHIP & SUPPER - 5:45 P
OK Spoke Club - SHORT LEISURE RIDE - Zeigler Rec Park (3903 W 4th) - 6:30 P
Helmet & Water Bottle Recommended

Free Spirit Woman's Center - LESBIAN COMING OUT GROUP - Call for Location - 7

The Storm – WICKED WEDNESDAY'S SHOW WITH EBONY HALL No Cover – \$3 Beer Bust – 10 P – 1 A

Thursday, July 8 -

Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – CENTER CINEMA – TBA - 7:30 P
The Storm – THUNDEROUS THURSDAY SHOW WITH CATIA LEE LOVE, FROSTY
SOMMERS & DOMONIQUE DANIELS—\$2.00 COVER—11 P & 12:30 A

Saturday, July 10 -

N.O.W. – MEETING – Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – 12:30 P Renegade's – DOMINIQUE'S DOLLS SHOW – 11P

Sunday, July 11 -

PrimeTimers - MEMBERSHIP MEETING - Tulsa Gay Community Services Center - 4

The Storm - SUPER SUNDAY SHOW WITH MAYA DOUGLAS, CATIA LEE LOVE & VERONICA DEVORE - \$3.00 Cover - 11P & 12:30 A

Monday, July 12 -

PFLAG - CHAT - Fellowship Congregational Church - 6:30 P
SUPPORT GROUPS - Fellowship Congregational Church - 6:30 P
EDUCATIONAL MEETING - Fellowship Congregational Church - 7:30 P

Tuesday, July 13 -

Tulsa Oldahomans for Human Rights

BOARD MEETING - Tulsa Gay Community Services Center - 6 P MEMBERSHIP MEETING - Tulsa Gay Community Services Center - 7:30

Wednesday, July 14 -

OK Spoke Club - SHORT LEISURE RIDE - Zeigler Rec Park (3903 W 4th) - 6:30 P Helmet & Water Bottle Recommended

Free Spirit Woman's Center - LESBIAN COMING OUT GROUP - Call for Location - 7

Thursday, July 15-

<u>Tulsa Gay Community Services Center</u> – CENTER CINEMA – TBA - 7:30 P

<u>The Storm</u> – THUNDEROUS THURSDAY SHOW WITH CATIA LEE LOVE, FROSTY

SOMMERS & TARA T'NEIL – \$2.00 COVER – 11 P & 12:30 A

Friday, July 16-

Fellowship Congregational Church - CHURCH SCHOOL - 9:30 A
WORSHIP - 10:30 A
House of Holy Spirit Ministries - SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:30 A
WORSHIP - 10:45 A

Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation - WORSHIP - Community of Hope- 11

MCC United - WORSHIP - 11 A
St. Jerome's -HOLY EUCHARIST - 11A

Sacred Rock Ministries - BIBLE STUDY-Tulsa Gay Community Services Center - 4 P

Community of Hope - WORSHIP - 6 P

Renegade's - \$2 SMALL PITCHERS - 2 P - 4 P \$2 FIRST GLASS, 50 CENT REFILLS - 4 P - 8P

FREE POOL - 6 P - 9 P KARAOKE IN THE RAW - 9 P - 1:30 A

The Storm - SUPER SUNDAY SHOW - 2 Shows-\$3 Cover - 11 P and 12:30 A

MONDAY

HIV Outreach Prevention Education - HIV TESTING BY APPT - 9 A - 6 P
HIV WALK-IN TESTING - 6 P - 8 P

GAY / LESBIAN VOLLEYBALL GAMES - Helmerick Park, 71st & Riverside - 6 P for more info call Shawn @ 243-5190

Council Oak Men's Chorale - REHEARSAL - Call for Info - 7 P Tulsa Gay Community Services Center - GAMES NIGHT - 7 P Renegade's - \$2 SMALL PITCHERS - 2 P - 4 P \$2 FIRST GLASS, 50 CENT REFILLS - 4 P - 8P

TUESDAY

HIV Outreach Prevention Education - HIV TESTING BY APPT - 9 A - 6 P

COMING OUT GROUP-Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – 6

<u>Tulsa Gay Community Services Center</u> - YOUTH DROP-IN - AGES 14-21 - 2:30 P - 5 P

Red Rock Testing Clinic -HIV TESTING-Tulsa Gay Community Services Center- 5P-8P

AA - MEETING - Community of Hope - 6 P

HOW TO SURVIVE THE LOSS OF A "LOVE" SUPPORT GROUP –
Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – 7 P

Renegade's - \$2 SMALL PITCHERS - 2 P - 4 P

\$2 FIRST GLASS, 50 CENT REFILLS - 4 P - 8P CATIA LEE LOVE SHOW -- 11 P -- 1 A

Saturday, July 17 -

OK Spoke Club - LONG RIDE (20 miles or longer) - Zeigler Rec Park (3903 W 4th) - 7

Helmet & Water Bottle Required

TulPAC – MEETING – Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – 7:30 P Renegade's – KRIS KOHL'S GIRLS NIGHT OUT SHOW – 11P

Dignity / Integrity of Tulsa - TAHLEQUAH FLOAT TRIP - Call 745-2363 by July 7

Sunday, July 18 -

Dignity / Integrity of Tulsa TAHLEQUAH FLOAT TRIP — Call 745-2363 by July 7
The Storm — SUPER SUNDAY SHOW WITH CHELSEA PEARL, APRIL STEVENS &
AMBER SHAYE — \$3.00 Cover — 11P & 12:30 A

Monday, July 19 -

PFLAG -BOARD MEETING- Fellowship Congregational Church- 7 P

Wednesday, July 21 -

Free Spirit Woman's Center - LESBIAN COMING OUT GROUP - Call for Location - 7

The Storm – WICKED WEDNESDAY'S SHOW WITH EBONY HALL No Cover – \$3 Beer Bust – 10 P – 1 A

Thursday, July 22 -

Tulsa Gay Community Services Center - CENTER CINEMA - TBA - 7:30 P

Saturday, July 24 -

OK Spoke Club - LONG RIDE (20 miles or longer) - Zeigler Rec Park (3903 W 4th) - 7

Helmet & Water Bottle Required

Renegade's - MISS NEW AGE TRASH PAGEANT - 11P

Sunday, July 25 -

The Storm - ILLUSIONS '99 SUPER SUNDAY SHOW WITH RACHAEL MICHAELS (REBA McENTIRE), CATIA LEE LOVE (CHER) & TAYLOR BRYAN'S (ANNIE LENNOX) - \$3.00 Cover - 11P & 12:30 A

Monday, July 26 -

PFLAG - CHAT - Fellowship Congregational Church - 7 P

Wednesday, July 28 -

OK Spoke Club - SHORT LEISURE RIDE - Tulsa Gay Community Services Center - 6:30 P - Helmet & Water Bottle Recommended

Free Spirit Woman's Center - LESBIAN COMING OUT GROUP - Call for Location - 7
P

Thursday, July 29 -

Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – CENTER CINEMA – TBA - 7:30 P
The Storm – THUNDEROUS THURSDAY SHOW WITH CATIA LEE LOVE, FROSTY
SOMMERS & VICTORIA TERRELLE – \$2.00 COVER – 11 P & 12:30 A

Saturday, July 31 -

OK Spoke Club – LONG RIDE (20 miles or longer) – Tulsa Gay Community Services
Center – 9 A – Helmet & Water Bottle Required
Renegade's – HELGA PRESENTS: "WHORE WARS" – 11P

\$2 FIRST GLASS, 50 CENT REFILLS - 4 P - 8P CATIA LEE LOVE SHOW - 11 P - 1 A The Storm - \$3 BEER BUST - No Cover - 10 P - 1 A

WEDNESDAY

HIV Outreach Prevention Education – HIV TESTING BY APPT – 9 A – 6 P
Red Rock Testing Clinic – HIV TESTING – Red Rock – 5 P – 8 P
Sacred Rock Ministries – BIBLE STUDY-Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – 6:30 P
House of Holy Spirit Ministries – FELLOWSHIP – 6 P
BIBLE STUDY – 7 P
Lambda AA – MEETING – Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – 7 P
Renegade's – \$2 SMALL PITCHERS – 2 P – 4 P
\$2 FIRST GLASS, 50 CENT REFILLS – 4 P – 8P

JUKEBOX – YOUR CHOICE MUSIC ALL DAY ALL NIGHT

The Storm – \$3 BEER BUST – No Cover – 10 P – 1 A

WICKED WEDNESDAY'S WITH EBONY HALL

THURSDAY

HIV Outreach Prevention Education – HIV TESTING BY APPT – 9 A – 6 P
HIV WALK-IN TESTING – 6 P – 8 P
Red Rock – O'RYAN Youth Group: 18–24 Year-Olds - 6 P
Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – CENTER CINEMA—
See Detail for Weekly Movie Title - 7:30 P
Renegade's – \$2 SMALL PITCHERS – 2 P – 4 P
\$2 FIRST GLASS, 50 CENT REFILLS – 4 P – 8P
MALE DANCER – TAZ'S EYE CANDY – 10 P – 1:30 A
The Storm – THUNDEROUS THURSDAY SHOWS – \$2 Cover – 11 P and 12:30 A

FRIDAY

Renegades - \$2 SMALL PITCHERS - 2 P - 4 P \$2 FIRST GLASS, 50 CENT REFILLS - 4 P - 8P OPEN DANCE FLOOR The Storm - FREE MUSIC FRIDAY WITH DJ "MOTHER" TUCKER - \$3 Cover FREE DRAW BEER - 9P to 10:30 P

SATURDAY

H.O.P.E. – HIV TESTING – Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – 4P–8P

Lambda AA – MEETING – Tulsa Gay Community Services Center – 5:30 P

House of Holy Spirit Ministries – PRAISE & PRAYER – 6 P

AA – MEETING – Community of Hope – 6:30 P

NA – MEETING – Community of Hope – 11:00 P

Renegade's – \$2 SMALL PITCHERS – 2 P – 4 P

\$2 FIRST GLASS, 50 CENT REFILLS – 4 P – 8P

FREE POOL – 6 P – 9 P

DRAG SHOW – 11 P – 1 A

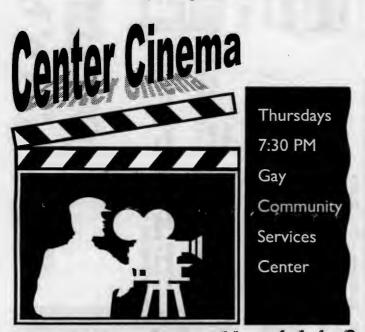
The Storm – "DANCE YOUR ASS OFF" WITH DJ "MOTHER" TUCKER – \$3 Cover FREE DRAW BEER – 9P to 10:30 P

ATTENTION GAY AND LESBIAN COUPLES IN THE TULSA AREA

You are invited to join other Gay and Lesbian couples in the formation of a couples group in Tulsa.

This is your opportunity to meet and know other couples, giving us a feeling of a "Tulsa Family" We will meet once a month for a "pot luck dinner" (usually with a fun theme) by a hosting and co-host couple. Anyone can participate that is at least 18 years of age participating in an ongoing same gender monogamous relationship. We will provide a social, educational and humanitarian forum for gay and lesbian couples. We will also promote the validity of same gender relationships and endorse the gay couples and lesbian couples as socially responsible units. We respect the privacy of all couples. Name and other information about member couples will not be published or released except to other members. If you would like to meet other fun and interesting couples contact:

Tim Van Meter or Larry Flanagan (918) 745-9119



My Girlfriend's Boyfriend-July 8
Love and Death on Long Island-July 15
Gods and Monsters-July 22
Object of My Affection-July 29





House of Holy Spirit Ministries

Come... Let Your Spirit Soar



10:45 am Sunday 7:00 p.m. Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Saturday 3210 S. Norwood, #B Tulsa, OK 74135 Sunday - July 11th Maya Douglas from Dallas, Texas

Catia Lee Love & Veronica Devore





with

Sunday - July 18th Chelsea Pearl

April Stevens & Amber Shaye

Sunday - July 25th Tulsa's Only "Illusions '99" Super Sunday Show

Featuring - Rachael Michaels from Louisville, Kentucky with Catia Lee Love & Taylor Bryan's

TULSA'S GAYEST PLACE TO PARTY

Open

Tuesday thru Sunday

9:00 pm until 2:00 am

2182 South Sheridan Tulsa, Oklahoma - 918/835-2376 Must be 21 to enter - Use West Entrance

Opening soon!

Chasers

Formally Zippers

Tulsa's New Upscale Gay & Lesbian Restaurant and Club

Is now accepting applications for Experienced Wait Staff, Bartenders, Kitchen Staff and other positions

4812 East 33rd - Tulsa, Oklahoma - 918/7/12-2324



Men Attracted to Men

A psychology doctoral student who is studying at the Illinois School of Professional Psychology is conducing a research project and needs your help. He is investigating the attitudes and feelings of gay men toward their appearance and body. This project is intended to help gain a better understanding of the role of appearance and body image in lives of gay men. This study is his doctoral dissertation. He is asking self-identified gay males who are at least 18 years of age, to participate in his study. Complete confidentiality is assured.

Should you decide to participate, you will be mailed a demographic information sheet and 4 additional short questionnaires which will take about 25 minutes to complete. Participants in the project will have the opportunity to have their names entered into a raffle to win \$100 for their time. However, you should understand that you will receive no guaranteed financial benefit from this research. Upon completion of the project, a summary of the results will be made available to individual participants, if they so desire. The directions to obtain the results are included in the survey package. To participate or to receive further information, please contact C. Berry at P.O. Box 13288, Chicago, IL 60613; or by e-mail at Gayproject@aol.com or by phone (toll free) at (888) 422-0320 (PIN 1358).

Organization and Business Listings

Community of Hope

747-6300

2545 S Yale Ave 74114

Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation

749-0595

2545 S Yale Ave 74114

Council Oak Men's Chorale

585-2662

P O Box 1062 74104

Dignity / Integrity of Tulsa

355-3140

P O Box 701475 74170

Fellowship Congregational Church

747-7777

2900 S Harvard Ave 74114

Free Spirit Woman's Center

587-4669

HIV Education & Recreation Center

4138 Charles Page Blvd 74127

HIV Outreach Prevention Education (H.O.P.E.).

834-8378

3503 E Admiral 74115

House of the Holy Spirit Ministries

224-4754

3210 #B S Norwood 74104

Interfaith AIDS Ministries

438-2437

P O Box 691438 74169

MCC United

838-1715

1623 N Maplewood

National Organization for Women (N.O.W.)

365-5658

P O Box 14068 74159

OK Spoke Club

P O Box 9165 74157

Oklahoma NARAL

494-9585

P O Box 702503 74170

PFLAG

749-4901

P O Box 52800 74152

Parish Church of St Jerome

582-3088

205 W King 74106

PrimeTimers

P O Box 52118 74152

Red Rock

584-2325

1724 E 8th Street 74104

Regional AIDS Interfaith Network (RAIN)

834-4195

409 S Pittsburg 74112

Renegade's

585-3405

1649 S Main 74119

The Storm

835-2376

2182 S Sheridan 74112

Tulsa C.A.R.E.S.

834-4194

3507 E Admiral 74115

Tulsa Gay Community Services Center

743-4297

1307 E 38th Street 74105

Mailing Address: P O Box 2687 74101

Tulsa Oklahomans for Human Rights (TOHR)

743-4297

P O Box 2687 74101

Tulsa Positive Advocacy Coalition (TulPAC)

743-4297

TGCSC 1307 E 38th St 74105

Tulsa Uniform/Leather Seekers Assoc (T.U.L.S.A.)

838-1222

UCO Women's Research & BGLTQ+ Center 100 N. University Dr Edmond, OK 73034