

The Del Aire DEFENDER

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DEL AIR NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION ... JUST WHAT HAVE WE DONE???

Cut crime in our neighborhood *big time!*

Volunteered thousands of hours and miles to take
our neighborhood back from the bad element!

Made our streets a safer place to be!

- ☺ Helped beautify Cheyenne Park by planting trees! (Cheyenne Park is located at the South end of Vickie Drive.)
- ☺ Helped beautify Townsend Elementary School by donating money and labor to plant trees and bushes!
- ☺ Donated and helped get the Alternative to Violence (ATV) motor cycle program off the ground — and it's still going strong!
- ☺ Donated CB radios and a police bike to better communicate and work hand-in-hand with our police force!
- ☺ Contributed to the Halloween safe houses and the Halloween Bash!
- ☺ Bought gifts for 20 kids for Christmas!

☺ PLUS A WHOLE LOT MORE! ☺

**NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS . . .
THAT'S WHAT WE ARE ALL ABOUT!**

D.A.N.W.A. General Meeting for May 1997
7:00 p.m. May 12, 1997
Townsend Elementary School Cafeteria
COME ONE, COME ALL!!!

D.A.N.W.A. Officers

President:	John Morris	672-4273
Vice President:	Ron McCall	677-7923
Patrol Captain:	Ed Eakins	672-1299
Treasurer:	Lillian McCoy	677-9856
Assistant Treasurer:	Amanda Boston	670-5426
Secretary:	Nancy Palmer	677-3086
Assistant Secretary:	Sheila Simms	672-3411

OOPS!! In our April Newsletter, Joan Jones' name was accidentally omitted from the list of people who baked for our two Bake Sales. Sorry Joan for the mistake. Thank you for your assistance!

Yvonne Hirsch

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WA HOTLINE - 672-4434

For information about upcoming DANWA meetings and events, or to leave a message, please call the

MEMBERSHIP

Yes, Please renew my membership and update the following information.

Yes. Please register my household as a member of the Del Aire Neighborhood Watch Association, referred to as DANWA. Our membership is \$12.00 from March 1, 199* to March 1, 199*. In other words, \$1 a month. Here is a breakdown:

March - \$12.00	June - \$9.00	September - \$6.00	December - \$3.00
April - \$11.00	July - \$8.00	October - \$5.00	January - \$2.00
May - \$10.00	August - \$7.00	November - \$4.00	February - \$1.00

Additional contributions will gladly be accepted. Any fees collected in excess of those due will be considered a contribution. Make checks payable to DANWA. Send to DANWA, P.O. Box 55558, Del City, OK 73155.

Name: _____, _____, _____
Last First MI

Address: _____

Spouse Name: _____

Children's Names: _____

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

In case of emergency, please contact:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Comments: _____

FROM THE PATROL CAPTAIN ED EAKINS

First, I would like to thank all of the wonderful people of DANWA for the cooperation they have given me since I was elected Patrol Captain last month! We now have 21 active patrollers in DANWA who donated a total of 3,558 miles and 462.95 hours and 11 base stations who donated 273 hours during the month of March 1997.

DANWA will be starting a resident Ride-Along program to allow our DANWA members to ride with the patrollers and see first-hand what the neighborhood watch is all about. This will be a volunteer program. If anyone is interested in riding with the patrollers, please contact me at 672-1299. I will set up a ride-along

with the patrollers for you.

I would also like to recognize one of our patrollers as Patroller of the Month for March, 1997. This award is given to say thanks for their contribution to the neighborhood watch. My selection for Patroller of the Month is Jimmie Hendricks, Unit #38.

Unit #38 was born and raised in Southwest Missouri. He entered the U.S. Air Force in 1960 and retired from the USAF in 1986 with just over 25 years in active service as an Aircraft and Engine Technician. Unit #38's tours of duty included San Antonio, Texas; Wichita Falls, Texas; Salina, Kansas; Roswell, New Mexico; Sacramento, California; Saigon, Vietnam; Shreveport, Louisiana; Guam; Okinawa; Upper Heyford, England; Tinker AFB, Oklahoma; Saudi Arabia; Oman; Egypt; Sudan; and

France. Unit #38 is currently employed with Boeing Aerospace Operations as a Field Service Representative to the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Navy. Unit #38 has lived in Del City, Oklahoma in the Del Aire Neighborhood Watch area for past 16 ½ years and plans his second retirement here. Unit #38 and his wife have two sons and two daughters-in-law with four grandchildren, all live in Owasso, Oklahoma. As a member of DANWA for two years, Unit #38 has volunteered his time as a patroller for nine months. During the month of March, 1997, Unit #38 volunteered 50 hours and drove 337 miles!

Unit #38 is always willing to assist DANWA with his many skills and is always there when called upon. He is also active in handing out DANWA stickers to new members

and has been very active in public relations as well. Once again, I appreciate your efforts Unit #38!

With the Summer months coming, we will have an increase in activity in our neighborhood and we need to be reminded about leaving tools; lawn mowers; bikes; and toys unattended outside in front of our residences. It only takes a guy with bad intentions seconds to snatch a lawn mower or something else and be gone, believe me people, think before you leave any item laying outside!

Ed Eakins

Patrol Captain, Unit #1



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We should all be concerned about putting batteries, paints, acids, household cleaners, and other like items into our landfills. If you'd like information on recycling or some free battery collection bags, call COMEA (Central Okla. Metropolitan Environmental Association), 737-2287.

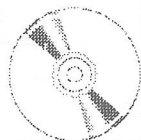
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- 5.) OU Football

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**DID YOU KNOW . . . DEL CITY
NOW HAS FIVE ACTIVE
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
GROUPS?!**

**GUEST SPEAKER FOR OUR
MAY 1997 MEETING:**

BETH PATTERSON,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
THE RETIRED AND SENIOR
VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

**D.A.N.W.A. GENERAL
MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL
BE HELD MONDAY, MAY 12,
1997 AT 7:00 P.M.**

**TOWNSEND ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

If you want to place an article or ad in The Defender, please contact Diane Chaney no later than the 15th of the month prior to the month you want your ad or article to appear. Call 670-1236 for placement of articles or ads. Thank you.

**Hey! What about those Crime
Statistics!?!? ☹**

I regret to inform the membership that our crime statistics for the months of February 1997 and March 1997 were part of the massive amount of information lost after a catastrophic computer failure at the Del City Police Station. The Police Department is making every effort to re-enter all of their data for those months, part of which includes the crime stats for our area. Since all police departments nationwide are mandated to produce a Uniform Crime Report (U.C.R.), you can rest assured we will have the crime statistics just as soon as the enormous amount of data is entered back into the police data bases. Thank you for your understanding

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**AS OF APRIL 14, 1997, WE
HAVE 616 MEMBERS!!!!**

YEA!!

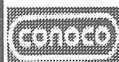
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SENIOR SECTION

DHEA: The Mother Hormone

From Holistic Health News

Written by Ray Gebauer

What single weakness would you guess that aging, cancer, heart disease, diabetes, obesity, osteoporosis, and chronic fatigue have in common? According to Dr. Julian Whitaker's health and healing newsletter (Feb 1994) *Having Low Blood levels of DHEA (Dehydroepiandrosterone) is the common factor*. DHEA: produced by your adrenal glands, is the most dominate hormone in your body. Dr. William Regelson, the most noted of DHEA researchers, calls it the "Mother Hormone" because your body converts it upon demand into whatever hormone the body needs, such as estrogen, testosterone, progesterone, and adrenaline.

If you would like more information, you can write to The R. Levine Company, 5400 Huddleston, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73135.

WHY IS IT THAT



Weather bulletins never interrupt commercials?

The express lane in stores for 8 items or less is seldom open?

If the letter "U" always follows the letter "Q", how come it's not next to it on typewriters and computer keyboards?

When your new car breaks a part, it is the only thing that is not covered by the warranty?

If you are a DANWA Member and would like an important family event or greeting to be announced in *The Defender*, (i.e. baby announcement, wedding announcement, scholarship award, special recognition, etc.) please contact Nancy Palmer, Secretary at 677-3086. Contact her early enough so she can get this information to The Defender Editor before the 15th of the month prior to when you want your family event, announcement, or greeting to appear in The Defender.

Also, if you want to send your sympathy to a DANWA member upon the passing of their loved one, contact Nancy Palmer and she will

arrange to have a card or other form of sympathy sent to that family in care of the Del Aire Neighborhood Watch Association.

During the April 14, 1997 meeting, those DANWA members present voted to donate \$300.00 to help defray costs of the "After Prom Party" which was held at Kerr Jr. High Friday, April 11, 1997.

During the April 14, 1997 meeting, those DANWA members present voted to set aside \$1,000.00 for a DANWA Picnic this summer. All monies remaining will be returned to the general fund.

During our April 14th General Membership Meeting, Bud Dolan from the Del City Horticulture and Beautification Committee spoke about the virtue of trees and the value of urban trees. He said that 3 out of 4 Americans live in urban areas and there is approximately 3,500 new acres of urban forest.

Bud Dolan also answered questions from the members about planting seasons, taking care of grass, bag worms, and etc.

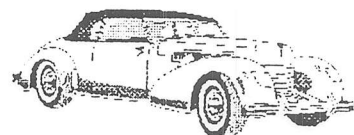
DANWA GENERAL MEETING - MAY 12, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. - TOWNSEND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA



DEL CITY FESTIVAL '97

Friday May 30

Sock Hop at the Del City Community Center
on SE 15th just east of Sunnyslane
7:00 p.m.
till everyone has hopped the last hop



Saturday May 31

American Legion Park
Linda & 24th Street
Car Show

(with prizes for various categories)

Arts & Crafts
Live Entertainment

Food Booths
Children's Games

All going on from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

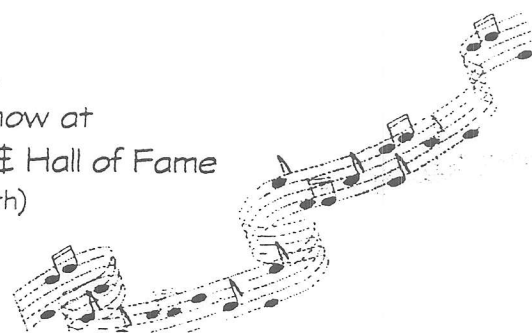
Parade

starting at Ray Trent Park, down Sunnyslane
to 29th and east to Vickie
10:00 a.m.

Parade Marshall: Ok County Sheriff John Whetsel
Parade to also include Political Dignitaries, Miss Del City
and the Shriner's

and to Wind it all down....

A Live Country & Western Show at
Oklahoma Country Western Museum & Hall of Fame
(just west of Sunnyslane on 29th)
7:00 p.m.



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- Stationary Bike, excellent condition, call 677-9693.
- New 20" Blue Workman 3-wheel, 3 speed bicycle, call Mr. Hall - 672-3046.
- Kawasaki Generator \$1,450.00 and a Quincy Air Compressor \$850.00, call 672-7262.
- King size bed \$350.00, drop leaf desk with bookshelves \$100.00, entertainment cabinet \$75.00, call 672-3563.
- 2 bolts of upholstery fabric (both peach colored, one tweed and one suede) \$60.00 each, 3 white porcelain Elvis decanters (McCormick Collectors pieces) \$100.00 each, call 672-8106 and ask for Kathy.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

- Male white rabbit for breeding purposes, call 677-2510.

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REMINDER: If you are a DANWA member and are going out of town, we can keep an extra close look on your house. Call Ed Eakins at 672-1299 and let him know.

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*******GARAGE SALE*******

DANWA is considering holding a Garage Sale for a fund raiser sometime this summer. Watch for more information in The Defender.

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?????Do you have any suggestions for fund raising events????? If so, please contact John Morris, President.

SPRING IN ATV (ALTERNATIVE TO VIOLENCE)

Well, spring is upon us and the kids couldn't be happier. With the end of school happening in just a few weeks we are gearing up for an exciting and fun filled summer of riding.

A couple of weeks ago I was asked if I would let the neighborhood watch groups know what was going on each month with the ATV program. Well we have been teaching new members the basics of riding and safety. The more advanced have been doing timed runs on different courses and brushing up on the basics.

We now have 83 members and look to have even more once school gets out. Many of the older members have been out buying new bikes for their own personal use. At this point in writing we have nine adults in the program. What a great way to spend some time with your child and have fun exercising.

We are in the process of getting some of the smaller 70's and some 200's also. We have many of the teenagers that are ready to go on to bigger bikes, so we will accommodate them if possible.

We wish to thank each of the watch groups for their help in promoting the ATV program, helping out at the field each Saturday, and donating money to the program. If each city nationwide would think of the kids half as much as we do here in Del City, it would be a great place just like Del City is to raise a child. We will do our part to enrich the minds and bodies of these kids in the program, and to help enhance their knowledge of the people that have helped them by instructing, promoting and keeping this program going.

Come out and join the fun or call for info at 677-3661, ask for Sue.

ATV STAFF

"HAND ME ANOTHER BRICK PLEASE"

If you haven't noticed, drive down Del Aire off of Sooner road and you'll see at the entrance to our neighborhood, there are some walls under construction. There once were decorative walls at each of the entrances to this neighborhood from Sooner road, but they have since fallen to the elements or vandalism. DANWA has been talking about repairing/rebuilding these walls for a long time and now, we are working on those walls! Old bricks and new bricks will be used together to form new, welcoming entrances to our neighborhood! Thank you to all of those who pushed for this and to those who so enthusiastically support their efforts! A special thanks goes to Carmen Donnell who was instrumental in doing some cleaning at certain areas.

SEVERE STORM INFORMATION

Tornadoes: Most occur from April to June, usually between 3 p.m. and 9 p.m., but they have been known to occur at all hours of the day or night. Wind speeds can reach 250 mph or more, with damage paths in excess of 1 mile wide and 50 miles long. In an average year, 800 tornadoes are reported nationwide resulting in 80 deaths and more than 1,500 injuries. We all know how high the risk is of a tornado touching down in this area of the country, so please, always heed the warnings of our weather forecasters!

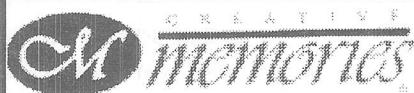
Hailstorms: Mainly a threat in spring and summer. Hail can travel at speeds faster than 100 mph and reach the size of a grapefruit! Hail causes nearly \$1 billion in damage annually to

U.S. hailstorm was in Denver on July 11, 1990. Total damage was \$625 million!

Wildfires: Can occur anytime during dry conditions. If followed by heavy rains, can lead to landslides, mud flows and floods. More than four out of five forest fires are started by people. The 1991 wild land fires in Oakland, California caused 26 deaths and resulted in \$1.5 billion in damages. Always, always, always adhere to the fire danger alerts and burn bans published during dry weather!

In Sympathy - flowers were sent on behalf of DANWA to the family of Sophie Beech upon her passing. Ms. Beech is the mother of our Custodian at Townsend Elementary School, Douglas Beech.

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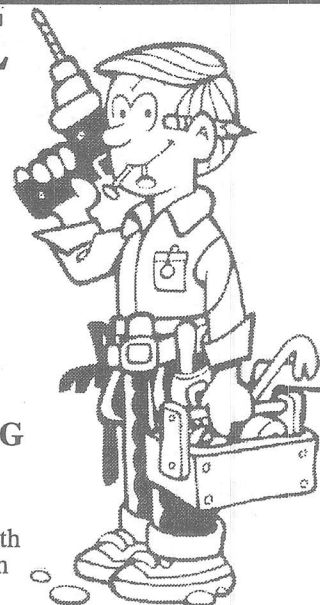
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- Hold your car keys in your hand as you approach your parked car. Don't wait until you reach the car to grope around in your purse. Experts say you're most vulnerable to harm when you enter or leave your car.
- Check the back seat before entering the car, even if you've left it with the doors locked.
- Lock all car doors and roll up the windows while you drive.
- Keep the phone number of your AAA emergency road service in the car as well as in your purse.
- Never pick up hitchhikers.
- Sound the horn in potentially dangerous situations.
- Consider having your car equipped with an alarm that goes off a few seconds after you enter the car unless you switch it off. This can help deter abductions in your own car.
- If your car becomes disabled, lock yourself in and turn on the 4-way flashers until police come.
- If you drive alone in the winter, keep such items as a traction mat, a shovel and a bag of sand or kitty litter in your trunk. Other useful emergency equipment includes flares, blankets, water, flashlight, canned food and a reflectorized sign that asks for help.
- If you have a flat tire in a dark or dangerous location, drive slowly to the nearest service station or public place. Even if you ruin a tire, you have not risked your life.
- Always park in a central, well-lighted place, preferably where there are attendants on duty or people passing by. Try to park so that you will approach the driver's side of the car when you return. You won't be surprised by someone who has crouched by the door.