### February 2004



#### Dates to remember

- 1. **DANWA** Meetings are held at Sunnylane Southern Baptist Church, 3900 Epperly, 7:00 pm, enter from the North side middle of the building on the Second Monday of the Month. (February 9)
- 2. C.E.R.T. GENERAL TRAINING MEETING, February 10, at 7:00 pm, Del City Community Center.
- 3. Patrol Meeting—to be anounced 7:00 pm— Del City Courthouse

#### **DANWA Programs**

Townsend Elementary projects

Orval Ray Towers visits

National Night Out special events

DANWA Kids ID

Safety Fairs

Support Del City parades

Halloween patrol with glow sticks for safety

Assist Fire and Police Departments in times of emergencies (accidents, Fires and missing Children, etc...)

Vandalism cleanup

Vacation house watch

Supports Boy Scout Troop 60



# Mel Aire Mefender

Del Aire Neighborhood Watch Association (DANWA)
P.O. Box 55558, Del City, OK 73155

P.O. Box 55556, Del City, OK 7515

From your DANWA President:

Hello Neighbors,

I was glad to see all the new faces at the January meeting. The 2004 executive board is now in place and ready to serve DANWA. We look forward to increasing memberships and getting more people involved within the patrol, not because we ask you but because you find our programs beneficial to our neighborhood and your home.

I would like to address something I saw while blocking a street for our Fire Department, which was fighting a house fie. They had a pressurized hose across Del View Dr. and with a Police car with lights on blocking half the street; a vehicle drove across the hose. This is not only illegal but also dangerous for our firemen working an already dangerous job. This action could damage the hose, costing the city of Del City to purchase new ones and it could cause pressure changes in the hose, which could cause injury to the firemen manning the hoses. Please <u>Do Not Drive</u> over any hoses when the Fire Department is working a fire. Thanks.

March is coming soon and that means Membership Drive to DANWA. Everyone should receive a membership renewal form in the newsletter this month with an envelope returned so we can check our records and ensure everyone is listed with all the correct contact and emergency information. DANWA is worth \$1 per month, anyone who has lost a child in this neighborhood would agree. This year we hope to provide information to every home about how you can be safer, better prepared and secure in your home. I hope you agree with this goal and support our efforts. Look for all the programs we have listed in the newsletter. As a reminder for all Firemen and Police officers living in the Del Aire neighborhood, your membership is free, our way of supporting you and saying thanks for a job well done.

Mike Hucks

March is membership renewal month !!! Please use the attached application to renew your membership; and while you're at it, volunteer for something. . . .

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#### Councilman Corner, Dick Carter—Ward One

Hello DANWA Neighbors,

The Del Aire neighborhood is divided between Ward One and Ward Three. If you are unsure of which Ward you live in, if you vote at Townsend Elementary, you are in Ward One.

I will try and write an article for the DANW A newsletter at least every other month and if time permits, more often. The City has made some changes in the recently regarding disposal of large trash items at the Public Works department.

Effective January 2nd, 2004, the City has an agreement with the landfill located at I-240 and Bryant for Del City residents to use the newly created "Customer Convenience" area. The last Trash Day at the Del City Public Works department will be Saturday, January 17th 2004, and will operate from 8: 00 AM to 5: 00 PM.

The Customer Convenience area will be open from 6:00 AM to 5:30 PM Monday through Friday and from 7:00 AM to Noon on Saturday. Enter the landfill at the gate on Bryant and drive to the scales. You must have a current Del City utility bill and your driver's license. The person at the scales will record the information from the utility bill and a minimum charge of \$7.50 will be added to your next bill. Large trailers and trucks larger than pick-ups will be charged a higher rate. The City of Del City will be billed for the amount charged, so you will pay the \$7.50 to the City but the City will then send that money to the landfill.

It is hoped that this change in service will be more beneficial to the citizens of Del City and more cost effective for the City as well, since there will be no overtime for city employees.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please call me at 672-2600.

# **Note this change:**

Articles and ads for the **NEWSLETTER, the DEADLINE is** 

the **3rd** Saturday of the month. This helps us be able to get the letter out by the first of the month!!!

Something new may be coming to DANWA, YARD OF THE MONTH..... Could it be you?



Congratulations are in order to Captain Smith on his promotion to Deputy Chief. Our thanks to Joan for this submittal.

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# New DANWA Officers - email for patrol and newsletter

Mike Hucks—President—672-2940

Email: Danwapatrol@aol.com

Frank Jones—Vice President—677-8102

Sharon Hendricks—Secretary—677-1886

Jim Gordon—Treasurer—672-6705

Rose Mary Bolton—Asst. Treas.—670-3690

Jimmie Hendricks—Patrol Captain—677-1886

Email: ssnilla@aol.com

John Hirsh—Asst. Patrol Captain—670-3971

Joe Satterwhite—Newsletter Editor—672-0409

Email: danwanews@cox.net

**District Captains:** These are the people responsible for getting your newsletters to the block captains for delivery.

District 1: Steve Gold—670-2878

District 2: Ron McCall—677-7923

District 3: Jim Gordon—672-6705

District 4: John Hirsch—670-3971

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#### TROOP 60 Scout Corner



#### ON A TROOP NOTE.....

Nothing from the Scout Corner this month but the Scouts are doing a very good job with presenting the flag at our membership meeting. It is an event to watch these young men show pride in a job well done.

Editor Also see page 8.







# Crime Stats-December 2003

**Larceny Reported: 0** 

Vandalism Reported: 0

Auto Burglary: 2

41xx Angela on 12/23/03, between 12:30-6:20 am

42xx Angela on 12/28/03, 4:16 am

Residence Burglary Reported: 1

48xx Bismarc 12/17/03, 11 am—2:30 pm

Always be on the watch for suspicious happenings

### Reader's Corner: Questions from our readers.

Q: "What can we do to stop people from racing down our street like crazy maniacs? Woodview Dr. is VERY BAD when it comes to speeders. Especially running the stop signs, like the one on Woodview Dr. and Del View. Every day there is a crazy driver at least doing 40 mph on our street and we need to get these people to slow down. Could we get some kind of speed bumps or is there anything that could be done? Please help with this situation. A very concerned parent of toddlers/children."

A: Speed bumps cannot be used as the city could be sued for damage to vehicles. The city is aware of people running stop signs and speeding all over Del City. I am sure they are doing what they can to eliminate these problem situations. Another avenue would be to go to city hall and council meetings and be sure they are aware of the problem area. L.P. thanks for your submittal.

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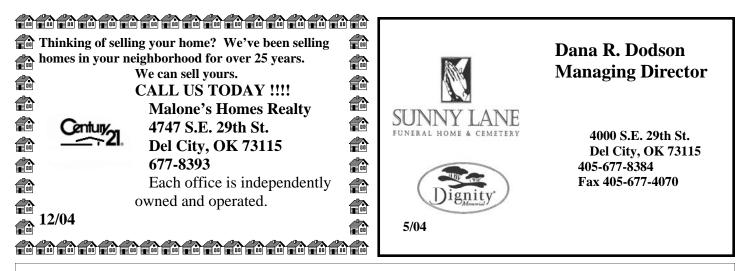
#### From the Patrol Captain Desk

Hello friends and neighbors,

I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve this year as your Patrol Captain. The previous years, officers of DANWA provided us with good leadership and a great beginning for a new year. We as neighbors and friends who care about our neighborhood have lots of work ahead of us. I don't want to be an alarmist but our vandalism and crime rate is on a minor upward trend. How can we prevent some of this? We can be observant of what is going on around us, report suspicious activities to the police. If you have a little time to serve as, a patroller, base operator for patrol, block captain to deliver newsletters, or serve on a committee to support your neighborhood organization we could greatly use you. It is very gratifying to help a neighbor when in need even if it only by notifying them that they failed to close their garage door, or did you know you left your garden tools in the front yard when you finished your yard work. Unsecured items can make a honest person a thief. We are always taking application for Patrollers, if interested please contact one of the DANWA officers or patrollers. Thanks for allowing me to ramble, and chase a few rabbits this month.

Jimie Hendricks,

Patrol Captain—677-1886 Email: ssnilla@aol.com



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Hi Friends and Family,

This is great! No nursing home for me. I am checking into the Holiday Inn! With the average cost for a nursing home per day reaching \$188.00, there is a better way when we get old & feeble. I have already checked on reservations at the Holiday Inn. For a combined long term stay discount and senior discount, it's \$49.23 per night. That leaves \$138.77 a day for:

- 1. Breakfast, lunch and dinner in any restaurant I want, or room service.
- 2. Laundry, gratuities and special TV movies. Plus, they provide a swimming pool, a workout room, a lounge, washer, dryer, etc. Most have free toothpaste and razors, and all have free shampoo and soap. They treat you like a customer, not a patient. Five dollars (\$5) worth of tips a day will have the entire staff scrambling to help you. There is a city bus stop out front, and seniors ride free.

To meet other nice people, call a church bus on Sundays. For a change of scenery, take the airport shuttle bus and eat at one of the nice restaurants there. While you're at the airport, fly somewhere. Otherwise, the cash keeps building up. It takes months to get into decent nursing homes. Holiday Inn will take your reservation today; and, you are not stuck in one place forever, you can move from Inn to Inn, or even from city to city. Want to see Hawaii? They have a Holiday Inn there too. T.V. broken? Light bulbs need changing? Need a mattress replaced? No problem. They fix everything and apologize for the inconvenience. The Inn has a night security person and daily room service. The maid checks to see if you are ok. If not, they will call the undertaker or an ambulance. If you fall and break a hip, Medicare will pay for the hip, and Holiday Inn will upgrade you to a suite for the rest of your life. And no worries about visits from family. They will always be glad to find you, and probably check in for a few days mini-vacation. The grandkids can use the pool. What more can you ask for?

So, when I reach the golden age I'll face it with a grin. Just forward all my email to: me@Holiday.Inn. submitted by R.F. New

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Advertisers, in the corner of your advertisement there is a date (1/04 or similar). That is the last month your which your ad is paid up to. The Editor

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#### Editor's note:

**GPS corner...** Once again, we are still waiting on more information from the City Manger and Mayor on what their plans are. Hopefully in a few weeks we will all know. Last we heard, the Boy Scouts are working with the Police Department in trying to document the location of storm shelters. In the meantime, let me know what you think about the idea......If you want to know the latitude and longitude of your storm shelter, I will be happy to bring my GPS along and provide your coordinates. Drop me an email or give me a call and we coordinate the time.

GPS provides latitude and longitude for the location where you are. Waypoint is also known as that location. For example, according to Garmin (the company who made my GPS) Del City's Longitude and Latitude is approximately N 35 degrees 27 minutes and W 97 degrees 26 minutes.

Joe

This polite note from the police department:

**WARNING!!!!** Watch out for cars from the other direction that might be running a red light....**Don't** become a casualty of a <u>Red Light Runner!</u> Don't want to sound like a broken record but running stop signs and speeding is widespread so watch for that too!

Is there anyone who might be interested in trading a Harley or Goldwing motorcycle for a 1986 Corvette with new paint and really good shape? Approximately \$9500 value.

#### REMEMBER TO FEED THE BIRDS

**TIDBITS: FIRM FOOTING** — **WHEN ICE** turns your sidewalk into a skating rink, try scattering harmless bird seed instead of deicing salt. It should provide just enough traction— and because the birds will eventually eat it, when the ice melts, there should be no cleanup!!

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## One Fine Nine Tis the Season

**One Fine Nine** 

#### **Christmas Decoration Winners**

The Christmas Decorations in the DANWA area were the greatest ever. It was a wonderful Christmas season and we hope we to do this again next year. We want to thank everyone for their efforts and the beautiful displays. We wish we could give an award to everyone but the following addresses were chosen by popular vote of your DANWA neighbor's:

 4201 Angela
 3904 Bismarc
 4537 41<sup>st</sup>

 4337 Wofford
 4521 37<sup>th</sup>
 3901 Bismarc

 4813 Bismarc
 3407 Holliday
 3912 Kim

Three of the award winners were able to attend the DANWA membership meeting and received the awards.



Your advertisement or comments could be in the newsletter reaching 1600+ homes — check us out, think about it, give us a call, we'll look forward to seeing your ad here next month.

Planning a garage sale? If you are a resident and a member of DANWA, while space permits, this space could be yours.

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# Did you know?

that at military funerals, the 21-gun salute stands for the sum of the numbers in the year 1776?

Have you ever noticed the honor guard pays meticulous attention to correctly folding the American flag 13 times? You probably thought it was to symbolize the original 13 colonies, but we learn something new every day!

The 1st fold of our flag is a symbol of life.

The 2nd fold is a symbol of our belief in eternal life.

<u>The 3rd fold</u> is made in honor and remembrance of the veterans departing our ranks who gave a portion of their lives for the defense of our country to attain peace throughout the world.

<u>The 4th fold</u> represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in time of war for His divine guidance.

<u>The 5th fold</u> is a tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our Country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong.

The 6th fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that We pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States Of America, and the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

<u>The 7th fold</u> is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.

The 8th fold is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day.

<u>The 9th fold</u> is a tribute to womanhood, and Mothers. For it has been through their faith, their love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great has been molded.

The 10th fold is a tribute to the father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since they were first born.

<u>The 11th fold</u> represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies in the Hebrews eyes, the God of Abraham. Isaac and Jacob.

<u>The 12th fold</u> represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in the Christians eyes, God the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit.

The 13th fold, or when the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost reminding us of our nations motto, "In God We Trust."

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington, and the Sailors and Marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones, who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges and freedoms we enjoy today.

There are some traditions and ways of doing things that have deep meaning. In the future, you'll see flags folded and now you will know why.

Share this with the children you love and all others who love the symbol of "Liberty and Freedom"

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