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

May 2004

#### From your DAWA President:

Hi Neighbors and Friends,

It's May already and that means schools out, some stormy nights and the Del City Shriners/Armed Forces Day parade. DANWA would like to congratulate all the Del City High School Seniors. Your time has finally arrived (Class of 2004); DANWA wishes each and every graduate the best of luck. For all the younger children it means a summer vacation. Time to play and relax until the next school year. I would like to remind everyone to have a safe summer, remember water safety (last year was not a good year on our state lakes) and drivers please watch our children while they play in and around our neighborhood.

It's springtime and DANWA has already begun some disaster preparedness. Our GPS program is getting some attention in both Del Aire and Hartsdale. If you ask why Hartsdale, its because this program is open to the whole city. You don't have to even be a member of a neighborhood watch to be put on a list of storm shelters that would need to be searched in the event of a storm. This is a safety program that is for everyone. The families that had their storm shelter marked using GPS units now feels safer knowing that if something happens we will know exactly where to look. Even if the neighbor's roof blew off and landed right on their shelter we will know they are there to rescue. We also still have the emergency beacon light bulbs for sale. They are \$6.50 for each bulb and \$1.00 off for DANWA members.

It's time again for the Del City Shriners/Armed Forces day parade. It starts at 10 am on May 22, 2004. DANWA patrollers will support the parade again this year by blocking streets and being in the parade (get ready to chase the super balls). We need to remember all our soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines stationed in war zones all over the world. May they stay safe and return home to all their families and let's remember the ones that gave the ultimate sacrifice (their lives).

I'm glad we are getting new faces in our monthly meeting and hope to see everyone at our next meeting on May 10, 2004 at 7pm. We meet at the Sunnylane Southern Baptist church by Townsend. Until then, stay safe and keep an eye out for your neighbor.

Mike



#### Dates to remember

- 1. **DANWA** Meetings are held at Sunnylane Southern Baptist Church, 3900 Epperly, 7:00 pm, enter from the North side of the building on the Second Monday of the Month. (May 10)
- 2. C.E.R.T. GENERAL TRAINING MEETING, at 7:00 pm, Del City Community Center. (May 11)
- 3. Patrol Meeting—third Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm— Del City Courthouse (May 20)

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1900 NW 10th OKC

We still need volunteers for the following committees:

Bylaws, Nominating, Membership/Publicity, and Auditing.

Call the president for details.

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For those who have Birthdays and Anniversaries this month, Happy Birthday and / or Happy Anniversary. If you have a special wish for someone,

send it in or email it. Editor

Happy Birthday to Mark Q. from Pat S.

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## Something <u>new</u> is coming to **DANWA**, **YARD OF THE MONTH**...

Here's how it works: The patrollers will present their nominations of some nice looking yards this summer. It could be you...... You <u>must</u> be a **DANWA** member.

## DANWA Officers & email for patrol and newsletter

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**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

#### **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

Reader's Corner: One evening in March, my daughter and I were coming into the neighborhood and commented on the number of patrollers we had seen out and about. I told her all about how good it feels that there are people who give their time to help our neighborhood be a better place.

After we had gotten home, we decided to sit on the porch since it was a nice evening. We continued to notice the presence of several patrollers.

While sitting there, we heard what sounded like a gunshot over on Sooner Road, then from the area of Sooner and SE 44, THEN straight south as if from Sooner Road. Needless to say, we decided to move inside.

A few evenings later, I flagged down a patroller and asked him about the gunshots. He stated that they had had reports of gunshots so decided to put as many patrollers on the street as they could to deter any bad guys from entering the neighborhood. At that moment, I realized all over again what a great watch association we have and was proud to be a member.

My heartfelt thanks to those who went above and beyond the call of duty that evening and many other evenings just to help keep our neighborhood a great place to live.

Good Job!!!

MC of Del City

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#### Mark Your Calendar's For

Del City's Annual

Armed Forces Memorial -Shriners Day Parade

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Join us for Special Event's at Eagle Lake after the parade

### From the National Crime Prevention Council.

Here are the stats they give for crime in the U.S. every hour.

2 murders

2 drunk driving deaths

28 rapes

58 robberies

67 attacks on women by someone they know

103 neglectful or abusive acts toward children

157 stalkings

163 violent attacks on 12 to 17 year olds in school

349 burglaries

523 assaults

1540 thefts

Mike

#### TROOP 60 Scout Corner

http://Members.cox.net/jslize9879./page1.htm

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

Springtime is here and Troop 60 is looking for a few good Scouts. We had a decline in our numbers due to PCS'ing and moves and we have a few positions available.

Some of the things we will be doing in the next few months are, the Busch race in Texas and work on the Space Exploration merit badge.

We will be in the Del City parade and participate in the 45th. Infantry Museum Flag ceremony in May, Summer camp in June, boating in July, car washes, visit the State Capitol, conducting a voter registration booth in May, and on and on.

And that's only in the next 5 months. Think you can handle that? Come visit us any Tuesday at Townsend Elem. from 7 - 8:30 pm.

Also, please continue collecting those aluminum cans for us. Each bag of cans helps put a Scout thru summer camp.

#### John S. Scout Master







#### Crime Stats-March 2004

**Larceny Reported:** 0

Vandalism Reported: 0

Auto Burglary Reported: 4

40xx Kim on 3/23/04 between 5 am —11:14 am

32xx Epperly on 3/23/04 between 6 pm—7:30 am

43xx S.E. 38th on 3/23/04 between 11 pm—4 pm

43xx S.E. 38th on 3/23/04 between 10 pm—11 am

Residence Burglary Reported: 0

Always be on the watch for suspicious happenings

The paper recycle bins will continue to be open at
Townsend throughout the Summer. Please continue to
support the Tigers with your recyclable paper.

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#### From the Patrol Captain Desk

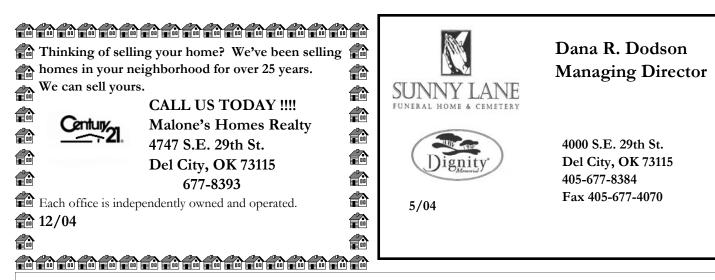
Hello friends and neighbors,

I don't like to begin with a negative note, but the March crime statistic for our area was not some thing to be proud of. The four reported Auto burglary's were disturbing to me. What can we do to stop these? One make sure vehicles are locked. Two, if you have to leave valuables in your vehicle, make sure they are **not visible** through the windows. Three, keep areas lighted. Four, put more DANWA patrollers on the street, day and night. We are in the process of adding two new patrollers this month, # 31 and # 13. If you are interested in volunteering a couple of hours a week please contact me. The Base operators and Patrollers reported 387 hours of time put into to patrolling the area in the month of March. I am proud to announce that during the membership meeting for April, we recognized three of our patrollers for hours of service. The awards were to Sharon Hendricks for 900 hours, Yvonne Hirsh for 700 hours, John Morris for 700 hours. A sincere thanks to these volunteers, please if you see them tell them thanks.

Well day light savings time is here and that means that CHILDREN are out playing ball and other games or riding bikes. PLEASE BE WATCHFUL AND CAREFUL they don't always think before getting into the street.

If you failed to renew your membership in March it is not too late. If you have misplaced your membership form call one of the DANWA officers or stop one of the patrollers we will get you a membership form. We value your membership and it provides us a means to contact you if during patrol activity we see some thing askew. Thanks for the opportunity to serve you.

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



#### Please Be Careful Ladies

Be aware of new car-jacking scheme. You walk across the parking lot, unlock your car and get inside. Then you lock all your doors, start the engine and shift into REVERSE. **HABIT!** 

You look into the rear window to back out of your parking space and you notice a piece of paper, some sort of advertisement stuck to your rear window. So, you shift into PARK, unlock your doors and jump out of your vehicle to remove that paper (or whatever it is) that is obstructing your view...when you reach the back of your car, that is when the car-jackers jump out of nowhere ... jump into your car and take off—- your engine was running, your purse is in the car, and they practically mow you down as they speed off in your car. **BE AWARE OF THIS NEW SCHEME**. Just drive away and remove the paper that is stuck to your window later...and be thankful that you read this article and please share it with your friends and neighbors. From the Council of Neighborhoods.

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#### **Driving after Dark**

An officer who works with the dare program has passed along the following warning and asked that it be shared with all If you are driving after dark and you see a car without its head-lights on ... DO NOT flash your lights!! drivers. DO NOT blow your horn or make any signals to the other car... there is a new common gang initiation 'game' going on the streets.

The new member being initiated drives along without his headlights on until someone notices and flashes their headlights or makes some sort of other action to signal him (her). The gang member is now required to chase the car and shoot at or into the car in order to complete his (her) initiation requirements.

Make sure you share this information with your family, friends, and anyone else you can reach. If you have any questions or information, please call your local police department. It's not a joke, please take it seriously. Pass it along to those you know, it could save a life. From the Council of Neighborhoods.

#### Cub Scout Summer Programs Wish List for Day Camp

The Cub Scouts have a need for the following materials, if you can help, it certainly will be appreciated:

White or off-white fabric for making Den Flags Tacky Craft Glue Bandage adhesive strips, regular size Plastic Lacing Antiseptic wipes or wet wipes individually packaged Jute, 58m Tree limbs 6 to 8 inch circumference cut Cotton Balls Color wire, pulled out of cable wire Birdseed Nylons, nylon knee-highs, pantyhose. Q-tips Bamboo poles, 6 ft lengths Grass seed Zip-lock sandwich bags Potting Soil Washable Markers Sawdust Medium size Eye Hooks Chenille stems Stick on labels, 3 1/2 X 15/16 Lard or Suet Wiggly Eyes Scrap felt Permanent Markers, asstd colors, fine or chisel point Film Canisters

Bangles of all sorts (jewels, flat beads, beads, buttons and so forth)

Paper cut-out shapes or foam shapes (stars, circles, animals and so forth) in 11 to 12 inch lengths.

Please contact Mary at (405) 390-3172, email: mmhyman@cox.net, or take the items to the Scout Service Center, Last Frontier Council, 3031 NW 64th St., Oklahoma City. Mary and the Cub's thank you in advance for your help.

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#### For you dog lovers...

This might be a dogs new year's resolution:

- 1. I will not play tug-of-war with Daddy's underwear when he's on the can.
- I will remember the garbage collector is NOT stealing our stuff.
- 3. I will not suddenly stand straight up when I'm lying under the coffee table.
- I will shake the rainwater out of my fur BEFORE entering the house.
- 5. I will not eat the cat's food, before, or after, he eats it.
- 6. I will stop trying to find new places on the carpet when I am about to throw up, and I will not throw up in the car.
- 7. I will not roll on dead things.
- 8. I will stop considering the cat's litter box as a cookie jar.
- 9. I will not wake up Mommy by putting my cold, wet nose up her bottom end
- 10. I will not chew my human's toothbrush and not tell them.
- 11. I will not chew crayons or pens, especially not the red ones, or my people will think that I am hemorrhaging.
- 12. When in the car, I will not insist on having the window rolled down when it's raining outside.
- 13. I will not drop soggy tennis balls in the underwear of anyone who is sitting on the can.
- 14. We do not have a doorbell. Therefore, I will not bark each time I hear one on the television.
- 15. I will not steal my Mommy's underwear out of the laundry basket and then dance all over the back yard with them.
- 16. I will remember the sofa is not a face towel and neither are Mommy's & Daddy's laps.
- 17. I will remember my head does not belong in the refrigerator.
- 18. I will not bite the officer's hand when he reaches in for Mommy's driver's license and car registration. Thanks MC

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#### Editor's note:

Thanks to the City of Del City and many volunteers for planting 33 more trees along the Memorial Path on South Sooner Road. There are now approximately 66 trees along the trail with 34 more to come next year for a total of 100 to have been donated by an organization in Del City. Take a walk on the path and enjoy the new landscape. You might see your neighbors out there too.



As editor of the DANWA newsletter, I am looking forward to exchanging ideas and information with the other neighborhood watch associations. We all share a common bond—**To inform our readers as to what is going** 

on around our neighborhoods.



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S.E. 31st, S.E. 33rd

and S.E. 37th.

Will Rogers, who died in a plane crash with Wylie Post in 1935, was probably the greatest political sage this country has ever known.

Enjoy the following:

- 1. Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.
- 2. Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.
- 3. There are 2 theories to arguing with a woman...neither works.
- 4. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
- 5. Always drink upstream from the herd.
- 6. If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.
- 7. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back in your pocket.
- 8. There are two kinds of men: The ones that learn by reading. The few who learn by observation.
- 9. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.
- 10. If you're riding' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.
- 11. Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back.

#### And finally:

12. After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him.

The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut. Thanks to Ron and Linda for these bits of info.

## Poison Awareness Month has come and gone.

I wasn't aware of it until the first of April. Do you have a poison control number? Do you know what to do if...?

#### Be aware and help other be aware.

Did you know that March is Poison Awareness Month? More than 90% of poisonings occur in the home, more than half involving children under the age of six. Each year, more than five million poisonings are reported in the U.S. alone. How poison aware are you? Are you familiar with the (U.S.) toll-free phone number you can call if you suspect someone has been poisoned? How about the various symbols used to identify poisons in the home: The Mr. Yuk or the more widely identifiable skull and crossbones? Are you following best practices to prevent household poisonings? (oh, and did you know that Poison Control Centers nationwide are on the front lines of national preparedness and response in the event of biological or chemical terrorist attack? Now you do!!!)

More information is available through these great downloads:

www.oklahomapoison.org

www.labelitpoison.com/poison awareness mo.html

www.npd.org/safetytips/poisonawareness.htm

www.inhalants.org

Thanks to the A-OK Ham Radio Report—March issue for this information. Editor

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## Pointing The Way...

## BAILEY SMITH GARY MATHENA

May 9 - 10:45 & 6:00 May 10 - May 12 - 7:00 Sunnylane Southern Baptist Church 3900 Epperly - 677-0591

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