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From your President:

Hello everyone,

We are now into February and that means that the annual membership renewal drive starts the end of this month. As always, DANWA membership period will run from March 1, 2008 through February 28, 2009. The dues are \$1 per month, which totals to \$12 per year. Any money sent in addition to the \$12 dues will be considered as a donation. The money we raise during the membership drive is what the organization uses throughout the year to fund the projects we support. Some of the projects include Townsend school parties for the children moving to Jr. High; summer trips for the local Boy Scouts; donations to the Tinker Food Pantry and Mid-Del Food Pantry; purchase of giveaway items for parades and Halloween; equipment for patrollers and the organization. These are just a few of the things your membership dues do through the year. The Officers and patrollers all donate their time, fuel and use of their vehicle to the organization and receive no compensation for the jobs they do except for the thanks they receive from members and the good feeling they get from knowing that they have helped make our neighborhood a better, safer place to live.

Being on the subject of membership renewal, here is some information about our membership application. The information that we collect is only for the use of the Neighborhood Watch Group, Base Units and Patrollers, and is never given out. The membership forms have changed some this year. We like to have cell phone numbers as a contact for you if you are not home and we need to inform you if we find a problem at your residence. We need the emergency contact that you give us to be a local contact. It does no good to call a child or whomever in Texas to let them know that your garage door is open or about any number of problems we might notice. We are asking for only the names of the children actually living in the home. That way if we call and speak to someone, we know that they live in the home. We are now collecting safe room or cellar information to put in our data base to be passed along to the Emergency Responders if we should be unlucky enough to be struck by another tornado.

We would love to have more help. We can always use more patrollers to cover our neighborhood. If you could spare a couple of hours a week, or more, to patrol we could use your help. Think you cannot help because you work an odd shift or day schedule? No problem because we can use you any hour or day of the week. The organization provides you with the training and the equipment you use. So please consider helping out.

We are also looking at the Spring Free Dump coming up about mid April. So start thinking about the stuff you have that you may want to haul off. It's a great way to clean up the yard and garage and get rid of the stuff for free.

James Standfill 677-2333

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Dates to remember:

1. DANWA General Meeting will be at Calvary Christian Church in the annex just north of the church, 3900 Epperly Dr. at 7:00 pm, second Monday of the month.
2. CERT General Training Meeting, at 7:00 pm, Del City Community Center, second Tues day of the month.
3. Patrol Meeting, at 7:00 pm, Del City Court house, third Thursday of the month.

Web Site is up and working, check out the information available at your finger tips!!! www.danwa.org

A reminder to everyone, if you see something that doesn't look right, call the POLICE. If you see someone speeding up and down your street, call the POLICE. If you see someone breaking in to a house, call the POLICE. DANWA is not a policing organization, we are here to help thwart crime and be eyes and ears for the police but the **first action anyone should take is to call the POLICE—FIRST** if it is an emergency, call 911, if it is information or to report a car speeding and you have his tag number, call 672-2443

CALL POLICE FIRST...



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Need Block Captains for:

Holliday from 31st to 37th

Call Ron 677-7923 for details.

Oakbrook from Del View to Montrose

Lamar from Montclair to Montrose

Call Yvonne 670-3971 for details.

Del Aire (Vickie to Sooner) or it can be split from Sooner to Del View, and Del View to Vickie.

Call Steve 670-2878 for details.

Help help help help help

We need you, within our neighborhood watch, to help

distribute the newsletter.

Good exercise once a month.

Our thanks to the block captains who distribute the newsletters each month. Our intent is to get them out before or on the first week of the month. It's a minor job but one that is certainly appreciated in order to get the information out to all the people who read the newsletter. Thanks very much block captains!!!

For Sale: Computer, 1000 Mhz AMD processor, Samsung 753DF - 17" monitor, 13 Gig hard drive, 3.5 floppy drive, two RW/CD DVD-ROM drives, 640 MB memory, Windows XP installed, Nvidia GeForce MX 440 video card, 2 USB ports, Ethernet card, keyboard, and mouse. Ready to put to use, work, or play—**\$150**. Call 672-0409 or 850-2177.



DANWA area Crime Statistics

December 2007

Auto Burglary = 1 (4)

43xx SE 39 ST	12/07/2007	17:23
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Larceny = 6 (9)

52xx SE 29 ST	12/31/2007	17:36
46xx SE 29 ST	12/29/2007	08:55
46xx SE 29 ST	12/24/2007	21:13
46xx SE 29 ST	12/24/2007	20:23
48xx SE 44 ST	12/23/2007	09:40
43xx SE 44 ST	12/08/2007	17:41

Parking Complaint = 2 (3)

WOODVIEW/VICKIE	12/20/2007	09:20
47xx SE 29 ST	12/04/2007	18:29

Residential Burglary = 1 (6)

43xx WOFFORD AVE	12/03/2007	18:05
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Robbery/Extortion = 0 (1)

Stolen Vehicle = 0 (1)

Vandalism = 2 (8)

47xx RIDGEWAY DR	12/30/2007	20:42
47xx SE 43 ST	12/17/2007	12:20

Prowler = 0 (0)

() = Prior months count

January General Meeting Highlights

The 19 members present were welcomed to the meeting.

The Treasurer's report and Crime Stats were reviewed. There was no old business.

Under new business; All 2007 Officers were re-elected for 2008.

The Audit results were postponed until the February meeting due to the December bank statement arriving the day of the meeting.

The membership voted to spend up to \$250 to purchase envelopes for the upcoming membership drive. The membership voted to give an additional \$1,000 to the Mid-Del Food Pantry due to the ice storm creating an additional demand on their food supply.

The cost of purchasing sweatshirts for the patrollers will be looked at for the next meeting.

The membership will look into ideas for a spring get together for all DANWA area member residents.

The door prize was won by George Brooks.



From the Desk of the Patrol Captain

Hello Friends and Neighbors,

We enjoyed a relatively crime free holiday season compared to some of those we've had in the past. I would like to say it was due to DANWA's diligence but truthfully we didn't do anything out of our ordinary except maybe pay a little extra attention to what was going on in our area. With so many homes being vacant during the power outage I would have expected even higher numbers than are normal for this period but we didn't see that either. Maybe the crooks were just as hesitant to get out in the cold and ice as we were! What I would really like to believe (and I think I will) is that all of you just did a better job of being cautious and aware. Whatever you did,, keep it up!!

Clean up is moving along fairly well and I expect by the time you receive our newsletter the city will have completed the first round of pick up in our area. As we understand it today there should be a second pass once the first is completed. The contractor has provided a web site (<http://www.bamaco.com/delcity.htm>) to give you an idea of the progress being made. If you have storm debris that has not been prepared for pickup because you are physically unable to do so please give me a call and we will try to help.

Once again many thanks to all of you who lend a hand or that occasional kind word.

Rex Warlick, Patrol Captain, 249-5927, rexwarlick@cox.net

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Note to DANWA readers—I am attaching all the information I have received regarding the December Ice Storm. It might be old by now but due to limitations and timing, this is the quickest I could get it in. Hope it helps.
Ed.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

• The City of Del City is currently working with Oklahoma Emergency Management as well as FEMA in an attempt to seek initial seed money to begin our debris cleanup. Many of our residence have asked if they could dispose of their debris at this time. Yes is the short answer.

In the interim if you would like to remove debris from your residence within the City the following locations will be set up for your use beginning Thursday afternoon.

• The locations identified below will be made available for Citizens of Del City to drop off their own tree debris if they choose.

(other household goods not accepted)

The City still plans to do curb side pickup either through city crews or through a contract service for those who choose to wait.

FINAL APPROVED LIST

- o North end of Leonhardt on vacant city property to the west
- o Cheyene park parking lot (4300 Vickie)
- o Ray Trent Park at end of Judy Drive
- Eagle Lake parking lot.
- Del City High School Parking lot to the east of the stadium starting on Saturday 12-22-07

GUIDANCE CONCERNING COMMERCIAL DEBRIS, PRIVATE ROADS

GATED COMMUNITIES AND SCHOOLS

1. A decision was made between FEMA-HQ and the FCO concerning debris removal from commercial properties. It was decided to allow commercial properties to place manageable amounts of storm generated debris on the public ride-of-way curbside and this debris will be considered eligible. The commercial owners will be required to use their own workforce to gather and place debris on the public ride-of-way curbside. The exception being, commercial properties which have excessive amounts of debris which generally requires a contractor to remove and dispose of will be the owner's responsibility and that debris will not be considered eligible. This effort is being used to assist applicants and communities in expediting the recovery process. Types of properties include apartments, mobile home parks, etc. to name a few.

2. On gated communities and private roads, if the eligible applicant is responsible for normal services such as trash pickup, water, sewer etc. on these roadways, reimbursement for the debris removal will be approved. However if the eligible applicant does not provide these services, the debris within these communities will be considered non-eligible and the removal of the debris will be the sole responsibility of the owner. It is highly suggested that the eligible applicant obtain a Right of Entry and Hold Harmless Agreement with the Owner's or Association of the property for their protection prior to any debris removal operation begins.

3. In the event a contractor while working for an Eligible Applicants enters private property or commercial property to remove debris, the collected debris will be considered non-eligible. The key is very basic; debris placed on the public ride-of-way curbsides will be considered eligible, subject to the restriction in paragraph #1 above, limiting excessive volumes of debris coming from commercial property.

4. Schools are typically their own applicant but for this disaster event, the ruling is; if debris is placed on the public ride-of-way curbside it will be considered eligible as long as the schools do not request reimbursement for the removal of the same debris.

**MEDIA ADVISORY****CITY OF DEL CITY**

Contact: City of Del City
(405) 671-2800

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**Del City to Participate in Electrical Reimbursement Program for Storm Damaged Electrical Services**

DEL CITY – The City of Del City has elected to participate in a reimbursement program designed to assist residents with the cost of repairing storm damaged electrical services.

Residents with storm damaged meter bases, weather heads and service connections can register for the program by calling 1-800-627-3464.

The program will reimburse licensed electrical contractors \$500 per job for repair of storm damaged meter bases, weather heads, and electrical service connections. Contractors are required to obtain permits and inspections, although permit fees have been waived. Residents will not be responsible for any charges associated with repair of their basic service connection.

Contractors who wish to participate in the program can obtain more information by calling 405-671-2814. Contractors must hold a valid Oklahoma Electrical Contractors License. City licensing requirements have been temporarily waived for those contractors participating in the program.

This program only applies to repairs that are contracted as part of the program and that commence after the start of the program. Federal disaster relief regulations do not allow public assistance programs to be made retro-active. As such, only customers who enroll in this program from this point forward will be eligible for reimbursement.

--END-- *manager@cityofdelcity.com*

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
405-671-2800 phone / 405-671-2897 fax

December 19, 2007

RE: Reimbursement Program for Electrical Work Related to Storm Damage

Dear Resident:

The City of Del City is pleased to announce its participation in a reimbursement program designed to assist residents with the cost of repairing damage to electrical service equipment caused by the recent ice storm.

Residents who have sustained storm damage to meter boxes, weather heads, and other electrical connection equipment can sign up for the program by calling 1-800-627-3464. Once a customer has registered, the City will assign the job to a licensed contractor who has enrolled in the program. The contractor will then contact the resident to arrange a time to complete the work.

It is important to note that this program only applies to jobs that are contracted as part of this program and that commence after the official start of the program. Federal regulations do not allow public assistance programs to be made retro-active. As such, only customers who enroll in this program from this point forward will be eligible for reimbursement.

After completing the job and having it approved by the City's inspector, contractors will be reimbursed \$500. The electrician is not permitted to charge a fee to the resident for completion of this contracted repair work.

Again, the telephone number for this program is 1-800-627-3464. Please feel free to call with any questions or concerns regarding this program.

manager@cityofdelcity.com



BE WARY OF FRAUD

Be wary of fraud. That is the warning issued to individuals and business owners affected by the Ice Storms from officials with the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management (OEM) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Home owners should be sure they are dealing with FEMA officials before providing any personal information. There is never a fee or charge for any FEMA services.

If you suspect contractor fraud, contact the Oklahoma Attorney General's Consumer Protection Unit at **1-405-521-2029** or online at www.oag.state.ok.us your local **Better Business Bureau**.

Those who suspect anyone of committing fraudulent activities should contact the FEMA Fraud Hotline at **1-866-720-5721**. This includes claims made by a contractor, inspector or someone posing as any of these.

To safeguard against disaster-related fraud, officials recommend the following precautions:

Ask for ID. If someone represents themselves as a federal employee, such as an inspector, but does not produce identification, residents are urged to ask to see it. A FEMA or U.S. Small Business Administration shirt or jacket is not absolute proof of someone's affiliation with the government. Federal employees carry official photo identification and applicants may receive a visit from more than one inspector or verifier.

Safeguard personal information. Do not give personal information such as social security and bank account numbers to individuals claiming to be affiliated with the federal government. FEMA inspectors never require this information.

Under no circumstances are FEMA representatives allowed to accept money. If someone claiming to be a federal employee or federal contractor attempts to collect money for their help, report the person and their vehicle number to your local police department.

FEMA inspectors verify damage, but do not hire or endorse specific contractors to fix homes or recommend repairs.

Use care when hiring contractors

Do research on contractors. You may also check with the local Better Business Bureau, homebuilders' association or trade council to see if the contracting firm has any unanswered complaints against it. Be suspicious of anyone who offers to increase the amount of your disaster damage assessment.

Ask for proof of insurance. If a contractor is uninsured, you may be liable for accidents on the property. Make sure the contractor has disability and workers' compensation insurance.

Get it in writing. Ask for a written estimate and check to make sure it includes all the work you expect to have done, as well as taxes and other fees. Keep in mind that some contractors charge for an estimate. Once you decide to use a particular contractor, ask for a written contract, including all tasks to be performed as well as associated costs, a timeline and payment schedule and who is responsible for applying for necessary permits and licenses. **Never sign a blank contract.**

Ask for a written guarantee. It should state what is guaranteed, who is responsible and how long the guarantee is valid.

Do not make advance payment in cash. Pay by check in order to keep a record and avoid double charges.

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FEMA coordinates the federal government's role in preparing for, preventing, mitigating the effects of, responding to, and recovering from all domestic disasters, whether natural or man-made, including acts of terror.

For more information on Oklahoma disaster recovery, visit www.fema.gov or www.oem.ok.gov

To the City of Del City from DANWA

We want to thank the crews and the city workers for the outstanding limb cleanup—it appears to be going GREAT!



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR THE
Del Aire Neighborhood Watch Association

PO Box 55558
 Del City, OK 73155



Please RENEW ____ / REGISTER ____ my household as a member of the Del Aire Neighborhood Watch Association, referred to as DANWA.

Membership is \$12.00 per year from March 1st to February 28th or **\$1.00 per month**. (Example: June thru February would be \$9.)

If you would like DANWA stickers for your house and cars, please indicate number of stickers needed. Sample shown to right.

Number needed ____



Please fill out form and return entire application for proper entry in the data base. Any additional money collected in excess of those due will be considered a contribution unless otherwise noted. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: DANWA and mail to the address at the top of membership form.

Please Print Information:

Address: _____

Name: _____ Last _____ First _____ Cell Phone: _____

Spouse/Other in home: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Names of Children in home: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone _____

Spouse/Other Work Phone: _____ Storm Cellar: ____ Safe Room: ____

Local Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Additional information or comments: _____

This registration is for the sole possession of the Del Aire Neighborhood Watch Association (DANWA) and is protected from any unauthorized disclosure other than to local law enforcement officials and the officers of DANWA to include the neighborhood watch association patrol and is for official use only.

Attention: The boundaries covered by the watch program are as follows: From S.E. 29th to S.E. 44th, and Sunnylane to Sooner. Excluding any and all apartment complexes and gated communities.

Please circle any of the following positions if interested in volunteering for DANWA:

Patrolling Block Captain Committee Member Special Projects Other: _____

