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DEL AIRE NEIGHBORHOOD
WATCH ASSOCIATION

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> **DANWA Website** <
> **www.danwa.org** <

Dates to remember:

DANWA General Meeting—
Calvary Christian Church in
the annex just north of the
church, 3900 Epperly Dr. at
7:00 pm, second Monday of
the month.

CERT General Training
Meeting, at 7:00 pm, Del
City Community Center,
second Tuesday of the
month.

The February Patrol Meeting
will follow the General Mem-
bership meeting at the Cal-
vary Christian Church annex

Hello everyone,

It is time for membership renewal. The membership period is from March 1st through February 28th of each year. For those that do not know; all memberships expire on February 28th, 2010 no matter when you sent in your prior year application. Membership is still \$1 per month (\$12 per Year). Any amount over the \$1 per month is considered a donation. All the dues collected are used to purchase equipment and supplies for the watch group as well as fund our projects throughout the year. Some of these projects are Orval Ray Towers cookout for the residents; a donation to the Townsend Elementary School graduation party; a donation to support the Del Quest program for Del City High School juniors; a donation in support of the National Night out for Del City residents and donations to the Mid-Del Food Pantry for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

As always, all Officers, Patrollers and Base Units of the Del Aire Neighborhood Watch are volunteers and receive no pay or compensation. All Officers, Patrollers and Base Units volunteer their time and use of their vehicles just to help make our neighborhood a safer place to live. The equipment such as signs, lights and radios are provided. We can always use more help. If you are interested in helping out; just contact a DANWA Officer or put that information on your membership renewal application.

In reviewing the crime statistics for the month of December, it is noted that all but auto burglaries were down from November; some a little and some a lot. The stats also showed vandalism and larceny activity in the 4800 block of several streets (where they meet Sooner Road). This may be a result of easy access to those areas from Sooner Road. As for the auto burglaries, please remember to remove any items of value or use out of your car. If you must keep items in your vehicle put them in the trunk if your vehicle has one. Auto burglaries are crimes of opportunity. Usually if the perpetrator cannot see usable items or items of value when looking through the window they will move on, especially if the car is locked! If they see something that they can use or sell, and the car is locked, they just use a screwdriver to pry out and break the window (makes very little noise) reach in and grab the item. They will not open the door as it might set off the alarm. It is not advantageous to break into a vehicle just the look around for something. So remove your stuff and lock the doors! Be safe.

Patrollers **patrollers** **patrollers** **patrollers** **patrollers**
We will hold the February patrollers meeting directly after
the General Membership Meeting.

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The Membership form is located on page 4.

**Lend a hand!****We Need block captains for:**

1. Newport from Vickie to Del View
2. Ridgeway from Vickie to Del View
3. Elmview from Vickie to Ridgeway

Please call Steve at 670-2878

1. Vickie between 37th to south end of Vickie
2. Epperly between 41st to 42nd Terrace

Please call Jim at 677-5044

A block captain is a vital part as a volunteer who delivers the newsletter to the neighbors.

Our most sincere gratitude to these block captains for their volunteering efforts—WE APPRECIATE IT ENORMOUSLY!!

Good exercise one day a month.**January Meeting Highlights**

The 16 members present were welcomed to the meeting. The Treasurer's report and Crime Stats were reviewed.

Under old business: The 2009 financial audit can be completed now that the December bank statement has been received.

Under new business: There was no new business.

The door prize was won by James Vaughn.

**DANWA area Crime Statistics for****December 2009****plus City wide stats****Prowler = 1 (3) [0] {3}**

48XX Elmview	12/12/09	4:44A
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Parking Complaint = 1 (3) [3] {27}

48XX SE 41 st St	12/08/09	2:01A
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Vandalism = 6 (7) [12] {31}

41XX Angela Cir	12/16/09	6:42A
48XX Bismarc Dr	12/01/09	1:01P
48XX Kristie Dr	12/01/09	5:53P
48XX Bismarc Dr	12/01/09	8:57A
48XX Bismarc Dr	11/30/09	9:49P
48XX Bismarc Dr	11/30/09	7:47A

Larceny = 5 (11) [7] {50}

48XX SE 44 th St	12/22/09	9:17A
48XX Del View Dr	12/18/09	1:45P
48XX Newport Dr	12/15/09	6:21P
44XX S Sooner Rd	12/02/09	2:07P
48XX Elmview Dr	12/29/09	12:46P

Residential Burglary = 3 (6) [7] {21}

42XX Oakbrook	12/14/09	9:08P
43XX Spiva Dr	12/12/09	7:05P
47XX Ridgeway Dr	12/01/09	10:40P

Robbery/Extortion = 3 (0) [1] {5}

50XX SE 29 th St	12/17/09	9:42P
47XX SE 29 th St	12/16/09	4:50P
45XX SE 44 th St	11/29/09	2:15A

Stolen Vehicle = 0 (0) [0] {15}**Burglary of Business = 2 (1) [1] {4}**

47XX SE 29 th St	12/22/2009	7:41A
47XX Ridgeway Dr	12/18/09	3:45P

Auto Burglary = 6 (3) [6] {21}

50XX SE 29 th St (apartment)	12/28/09	3:37A
47XX Del Port Rd	12/13/09	10:55A
31XX Del View Dr (apartment)	12/13/09	10:23A
45XX SE 37 th St	12/04/09	9:38A
48XX Del Aire Dr	12/02/09	9:32A
32XX Wofford Ave	12/02/09	3:27A

() = Prior month counts**[] = Same month prior year****{ } = Del City wide counts for same period****FREE ESTIMATES*****Choice of 20 Colors**

The
**Gutter
Guy**

5/10**Seamless Guttering****Larry Smith****447-7100**



Scout Corner

Hello DANWA,

Last month we went to the Locomotive Operators of Central Oklahoma L.O.C.O club to work on the railroading merit badge. LOCO is a club that runs and maintains a scale railroad big enough to ride. The club is located on 5 acres in SE OKC county. You can check out their website at <http://oktrains.com/loco.html>



We had fun learning about how the RR operates. We watched some videos and got some hands on training on the rail. They even let us load hopper cars with gravel and operated the trains around the tracks. They are open to the public on the 1st Sunday of the month and they give rides on the trains.

If you want to see some photos of us at LOCO, check us out at... <http://photobucket.com/Troop60SFSR> and click on RR merit Badge.

If you have a son interested in getting out and learning some interesting stuff, come down to one of our meetings

Please save your aluminum cans for us. We need the money to help repair stuff from our last campout. If you have cans you can call (John- 672-0633) or drop them off. Remember each bag helps pay for dues, equipment and the cost of events down.



The community action agency is looking for someone to represent the southeast area of Oklahoma City at their board meetings. If you are interested or would like further information, please contact Joe at 672-0409



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: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Last First

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 Sunnyslane 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: _____



The following information (the next two pages) was released by the Oklahoma County Sheriff's office and is good information to know:

Haitian Earthquake Relief Fraud Alert and Census Cautions and awareness

The FBI today reminds Internet users who receive appeals to donate money in the aftermath of Tuesday's earthquake in Haiti to apply a critical eye and do their due diligence before responding to those requests. Past tragedies and natural disasters have prompted individuals with criminal intent to solicit contributions purportedly for a charitable organization and/or a good cause.

Therefore, before making a donation of any kind, consumers should adhere to certain guidelines, to include the following:

Do not respond to any unsolicited (spam) incoming e-mails, including clicking links contained within those messages.

Be skeptical of individuals representing themselves as surviving victims or officials asking for donations via e-mail or social networking sites.

Verify the legitimacy of nonprofit organizations by utilizing various Internet-based resources that may assist in confirming the group's existence and its nonprofit status rather than following a purported link to the site.

Be cautious of e-mails that claim to show pictures of the disaster areas in attached files because the files may contain viruses. Only open attachments from known senders.

Make contributions directly to known organizations rather than relying on others to make the donation on your behalf to ensure contributions are received and used for intended purposes.

Do not give your personal or financial information to anyone who solicits contributions: Providing such information may compromise your identity and make you vulnerable to identity theft.

For full details, go to <http://local.nixle.com/alert/846824/>

WARNING: 2010 Census Cautions from the Better Business Bureau.

THIS IS GOOD INFORMATION TO PASS ON TO EVERYONE YOU KNOW:

Be Cautious About Giving Info to Census Workers

With the U.S. Census process beginning, the Better Business Bureau (BBB) advises people to be cooperative, but cautious, so as not to become a victim of fraud or identity theft. The first phase of the 2010 U.S. Census is under way as workers have begun verifying the addresses of households across the country.

Eventually, more than 140,000 U.S. Census workers will count every person in the United States and will gather information about every person living at each address including name, age, gender, race, and other relevant data.

The big question is - how do you tell the difference between a U.S. Census worker and a con-artist? BBB offers the following advice:

** Census workers are currently only knocking on doors to verify address information.

DO NOT give your Social Security number, credit card, or banking information to anyone, even if they claim they need it for U.S. Census.

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**REMEMBER, NO MATTER WHAT THEY ASK, YOU REALLY ONLY NEED TO TELL THEM HOW MANY PEOPLE LIVE AT YOUR ADDRESS.**

While the Census Bureau might ask for basic financial information, such as a salary range, **YOU DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER ANYTHING AT ALL ABOUT YOUR FINANCIAL SITUATION.**

The Census Bureau will not ask for Social Security, bank account, or credit card numbers, nor will employees solicit donations. Anyone asking for that information is **NOT** with the Census Bureau.

AND REMEMBER, THE CENSUS BUREAU HAS DECIDED NOT TO WORK WITH ACORN ON GATHERING THIS INFORMATION. No ACORN worker should approach you saying he / she is with the Census Bureau. (Editorial comment: If they do, contact your local police or sheriff's department).

Eventually, Census workers may contact you by telephone, mail, or in person at home. However, the Census Bureau will not contact you by email, so be on the lookout for email scams impersonating the Census.

NEVER click on a link or open any attachments in an email that are supposedly from the U.S. Census Bureau.

PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

For full details, go to <http://local.nixle.com/alert/840713/>

Timeline regarding Census

February, March: Census questionnaires mailed or delivered to homes.

April 1: Census Day, the last day when census questionnaires should be returned.

May through July: Census takers visit households that didn't return the questionnaire by mail.

This last bit of information is from your editor: Anytime you see and email that says forward this on to '10' (or however many) of your friends, sign this petition, or you'll get bad luck, good luck, you'll see something funny on your screen after you send it, or whatever, it almost always has an email tracker program attached that tracks the cookies and emails of those folks you forward to.

The host sender is getting a copy each time it gets forwarded and then is able to get lists of 'active' email addresses to use in SPAM emails, or sell to other spammers. Even when you get emails that demand you send email on if you're too ashamed of God/Jesus....that's email tracking and they're playing on our conscience. (editors note: you don't have to pass an email along to X number of people for God to know you love him, he knows....) These people don't care how they get your email addresses—just as long as they get them. Also, emails that talk about a missing child or a child with an incurable disease 'how would you feel if that was your child'....email tracking!!!! Ignore them and don't participate!!

Almost all emails that ask you to add your name and forward on to others are similar to that mass letter years ago that asked people to send business card to the little kid in Florida who wanted to break the Guinness Book of Records for the most cards. All it was, and all any of this type of email is, is a way to get names and 'cookie' tracking information for telemarketers and spammers - - to validate active email accounts for their own profitable purposes.

You can do your friends and family members a great favor by providing this information to them; you will be providing a service to your friends, and will be rewarded by not getting thousands of spam email in the future!!

Do yourself a favor and stop adding your name(s) to those types of listings regardless how inviting they might sound!...or make you feel guilty if you don't!... It's all about getting email addresses—nothing more!

ALSO: Email petitions are **NOT** acceptable to Congress or any other organization— i.e. social security, etc. To be acceptable, petitions must have a signed signature and full address of the person signing the petition, so this is a waste of time and you're just helping the email trackers. Check this information out on Snopes.com.