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| <b>In Our Neighborhood</b>  | <p><b>Von Elm East</b></p>  | <b>Yukon Police Department</b>  |                         |
| Email <a href="mailto:VonElmEast@cox.net">VonElmEast@cox.net</a>  |  | Non-Emergency<br>(Crime is not ongoing.)  | 354-1711 or<br>354-2553 |
| Facebook at Von Elm East  |  | Emergency 911   |                         |
| Cheryl Drabek,<br>Volunteer NW Contact  |  | <b><a href="http://www.CityofYukonOK.gov">www.CityofYukonOK.gov</a></b>   |                         |
| <p><i>Love your neighbor as yourself.</i></p> <p>Newsletter provided/printed by<br/><i>Community Action Agency</i><br/>January 2016</p> |  | <p>Online Incident Reporting at Police Dept. Link</p> <p>ONLINE News @ <a href="http://www.CityofYukonOK.Gov">www.CityofYukonOK.Gov</a><br/>&gt;Police Department&gt;&gt;Neighborhood Watch</p> <p>354-6312 Animal Control...354-2553 if closed</p> |                         |

## Yukon Police Department December 2015 Crime Stats

*We are pro-active!*



 Great news. There was nothing reported in your neighborhood during the month of December.

(4 months without crime reported to YPD)

*Sgt. Zach Roberson, YPD*

## 2015 Year in Review

Jan 2015 ...solicitor given warning  
Feb 2015...accident with car window busted out on Sylvan Sand  
Mar 2015...verbal warnings given to different solicitors on Chimney Hills Road and Skytrail  
Apr 2015...no reported crimes, just verbal warnings given to a great number of roofing solicitors  
May 2015...7 months in a row with no reported crimes... few calls of suspicious activity and solicitors  
June 2015...8 months in a row with no reported crimes... several calls of solicitors in the area but nothing else.  
July 2015... Two different vehicles were broken into on July 3rd. Both vehicles had items stolen from inside. One burglary took place near the 1300 block of Wilcox Lane and the other took place near 4600 block of Deer Creek.  
Aug 2015... On August 22nd near the 1400 block of Von Elm Place a mailbox was hit by an unidentified driver—and later came forward to the homeowner.  
Sept 2015...No crime reported  
Oct 2015...No crime reported; one suspicious solicitor  
Nov 2015...No crime reported  
Dec 2015...No crime reported

## 2016 Begins:

From: Von Elm East Neighborhood Watch

Sent: Sunday, January 10, 2016 8:12 AM

Subject: NW: Attempted theft being reported

Neighbors are reporting on Facebook activity this Sunday morning:

1:42 am Valley Road: Just called the police. Man in between vehicles trying to steal gas out of them. White Tahoe.

1:53 am same Valley Road Neighbor: White ford explorer. Report filed.

7:11 am Wilcox Lane: My husband was up at three am and saw a man walk through out front yard and between our cars, "1400 block of Wilcox." Thank you for reporting.

Please report all suspicious activity first to Yukon Police Department and then Neighborhood Watch. Stay safe and report the unsafe.

**We practice the "Five House" Rule**—Get to know the neighbors next door to the left and right and the three houses across from you.

**We are eyes and ears for our community.**

**Our Mission...**We agree to work together, in respect for each other, for the purpose of protecting property, human life, deterring crime through cooperation and crime prevention actions.

**Neighborhood Watch** is a non-profit organization that is not directly or indirectly related to the Yukon Police Department. It is separate entity that receives support through guidance. Neighborhood Watch agrees to notify the Yukon Police Department of any suspicious activity or areas of concern.

**Von Elm East Borders: north WAGNER RD, east SARA RD, south SYLVAN SAND, west DEER CREEK**

Thank you, Newsletter Volunteers -- Bois D'Arc Dr EVA SUDDUTH • Chimney Hills Rd, Hunton Terrace, & VIOLA DRIVE  
TRECIA STATON • Deer Creek DICK SPEAR • Deer Creek Ct MARGARET ALBRECHT • Elk Run CAM DOOLEY • Osborn Lane  
CALAWAYS • Oswego Drive KATHY RICE • N. Sky Trail NOWLINS • S. Sky Trail SHIRLEY PFIEFFER • Sylvan Sand & Prue Sand  
ROHWERS • Valley Road JESSUPS • 1300 Von Elm Place CHERYL VASCELLARO • 1400 Von Elm Place BILL WALKER •  
Wilcox Lane JENNIFER ASHTON • • Sub MICKEY QUOTONE

**Volunteer Needed for Wolf Lane; please contact [VonElmEast@cox.net](mailto:VonElmEast@cox.net).**





### In Real Estate - Our Addition

For real-estate related questions and current market pricing specific to your home call

Greg Ouren 405 630 4695

[gregsells@kw.com](mailto:gregsells@kw.com) [www.2potatoes.com](http://www.2potatoes.com)

Address BUILT BED/BA/GAR SqFt LIST/CLOSED

#### ACTIVE:

4505 PRUE SAND 1985 3/2/2 2193 188,000

#### PENDING:

4825 ELK RUN 1982 3/2/2 1698 154,500

1209 VALLEY RD 1983 4/3/3 3729 329,900

#### CLOSED:

4529 SKYTRAIL 1983 3/2.5/2 2522 213,000/84.46

#### YUKON SCHOOL DIST STATS:

334 ACTIVE AVE \$229,730 /109.82 111 PENDING AVE \$196695/101.27

62 SOLD \$155,138/93.57 65 DAYS ON MARKET

METRO STATS: AVERAGE SELL PRICE \$185,364 (DEC)

GETTING 97% OF LIST PRICE



### The Green Thumb for February

From: Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service

<http://pods.dasnr.okstate.edu/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-1136/HLA-6408web.pdf>

- Base any fertilizer application on a soil test. For directions, contact your county Extension Educator.
- Fertilize ornamental, fruit, and nut trees and shrubs.
- Finish pruning shade trees, summer flowering shrubs, and hedges. Spring blooming shrubs such as forsythia may be pruned immediately after flowering.
- Most bare-rooted trees and shrubs should be planted in February or early-March.
- Apply first pre-emergent summer annual herbicide to turf areas from February to Mid-March.
- Begin the vegetable garden with cool-season crops such as potatoes, onion, and radishes.
- Dormant oil can still be applied to control mites, galls, overwintering aphids, etc.
- Spray peaches and nectarines with a fungicide for prevention of peach leaf curl before bud swell.
- A product containing glyphosate plus a broadleaf herbicide can be used on dormant Bermuda in January or February when temperatures are above 50°F for winter weed control.
- Place Nantucket pine tip moth pheromone traps by March 1.
- Pre-emergent crabgrass control chemicals can still be applied to cool and warm season turfgrasses. Heed label cautions when using any weed killers near or in the root zone of desirable plantings.

### Tis the season for.... home invasions?

#### By Family Watchdog

**Do you know what to do in case of a home invasion? Do some research! Talk about installing ADT or some other security alarm system.**

- Talk to your kids, make a plan IF a home invasion ever happened – And practice it!
  - If you're home alone and someone knocks on the door, yell "I'll get it!" giving the impression you're not alone.
  - Demand identification from anyone (utility worker, repair workers) who comes to your door. Look up the company name YOURSELF and call to confirm.
  - If someone comes to your door needing help, tell them you'll call 911 for them. Do not open the door.
  - Keep mace/gun (only if you have no kids!)/baseball bat/phone/wasp spray by the front door so you don't have to leave it to get it.
  - Plant large thorny bushes around first floor windows. They can prevent people from getting to the window and collect DNA or clothing shreds from anyone who comes into contact with them.
  - If you don't have an alarm, hang a bell on your door knob and don't fix squeaky hinges. (Finally, an excuse!)
  - Place alarm stickers on windows or doors even if you don't have one.
  - If you have an alarm, make sure it's not near a door or window where someone can see from the outside if it's set or not.
  - Regularly make sure all of your doors and windows are locked, especially the ones you rarely use. Kids, guests, or utility worker could easily unlock them without you knowing.
- We hope you never experience a home invasion, but if you do, you will know how to handle it!



#### Neighbors Share...highlights of some

conversations on email and Von Elm East Facebook with 260 neighbors. Facebook is open for anyone living in Von Elm East-- just request to join on Facebook.

2 Ice Storms kept our trees falling and neighbors communicating heavily on Facebook. 40 hours without power for some. OG&E replaced several power polls on Wagner Road.

**Jeanifer on F/B:** Thank you so much to all the hard workers that helped us with the power!! You don't realize what you got till it's gone, lol!!

**Sue:** Thankful indeed! Grateful for OG@E. Know they are cold and weary!

**Michael:** We celebrated with microwave popcorn – just so we could use the electricity!

**Rhonda:** you can purchase a "power bank" to recharge cell phones and iPads during outages. We purchased ours several months ago at an Eddie Bauer store for about \$30. Worked great for us.

**Cheryl D:** Is it time to get a generator? It is for our home caught in the dark this week.

Tuesday, Jan 12-- Neighbor Eric Bell of Bell Electric is scheduled to talk with neighbors about generators.

**Bells on F/B:** Yes, there are many options but would need to decide if you want a permanent installation or a temporary /portable generator. Permanent generators are more expensive but can be connected to automatically come on when power is out. Portable generators are hooked up when needed but can also run all of the necessities for your house. There are people in our neighborhood that we have helped with both types. We can always come and discuss the options with a homeowner and determine the solution that works best within their budget!

During a disaster Facebook becomes our "Go To" that opens the door for all of us to help each other. Half a dozen people asked to join our Facebook Von Elm East during the disaster.

Be ready for disasters and crime--sign up today.

Our current City Councilman Mike McEachern will be soliciting votes in our neighborhood -- probably between the hours of 4-7pm. **The election will be Tuesday, February 9th.** FYI: He does not need a permit.



### **GATES BEING OPENED**

#### **letting out dogs:**

Neighbors, we may have a pattern establishing itself-- backyard gates being opened by someone other than the homeowner.

3 Back gates opened within a few days:

- 1) December 15--Tuesday--Gate opened on Von Elm Place releasing their dog from the backyard.
- 2) December 13-- Sunday night or early Monday home on Deer Creek Court releasing their dog--and the gate is not easily opened.
- 3) December 11 --Sky Trail Court Neighbor: Our backyard gate that opens up to the creek area was opened by someone Friday afternoon. Our dog got out and thankfully we found her. We will be putting a lock on it.

Please be alert and report any suspicious activity. If the crime is not happening at the time, please report to the Yukon Police Department non-emergency number either 354-1711 or 354-2553. Yes, if someone enters your property, especially your backyard, without your knowledge or approval, it should be reported.



### **Motorcycle in Creek**

Sent: Tuesday, December 15

Cheryl,

There has been a young person riding a motorcycle across private property along the creek for some time now. I have tried to flag them down to let them know that they are trespassing, but have been unsuccessful. There is significant tree damage because of ice in the area of the creek behind the houses on Sky Trail Court. There are large trees down and the ground is covered with branches and limbs. It is not even safe to walk across, yet this evening the motorcycle appeared from the bridge, crossed private property leaving ruts in the soft ground, and ran over the branches as they made their way towards the apartments. Once again I tried to get their attention, but they either ignored me or did not see me. I have been forced to call the police and report the trespasser on the motorcycle. It is not safe for anyone to be in this vicinity right now and I would hate for this young rider to be injured. Please alert everyone and ask the parents of this young rider to make sure they stay off private property.



### **Broken Mirror**

Dec 27 Boyd on Facebook: Sarcastic thank you to whomever drove by and broke my son's mirror off his car last night. Yes, it was legally parked in front of our home.



### **Who is walking a dog? Good or Bad?**

Dec 29 Neighborhood Watch on F/B:

Neighbors be aware that we are vulnerable to crime when the power is out. Be ready to report any suspicious activity --like we just got this evening with people walking and looking at mailboxes.



### **Tree Removal**

#### **Partial Facebook Post from City of Yukon:**

They plan to do the second sweep through town to pick up additional debris starting December 28, and it will last 3-4 weeks. For immediate removal, the debris disposal site at Taylor Park will remain open for free tree debris disposal until January 31. Our Public Works Department would be the best source to contact for any additional questions or concerns about possible leftover tree debris. They can be reached at 350-8940.



Jan 4 Janet wrote on F/B regarding **Manna**

**Pantry**—local food pantry: I would like to ask

for assistance from my neighbors. Let's start of 2016 with the HEALTH, KINDNESS, & GIVING

that so many of us resolved for the New Year. You can message me & I'll pick up your donation or you can drop it off at my home on Deer Creek Ct.

# My "Five House Rule" Block Map (post on the frig AND make a copy for work)

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| Non-Emergency<br>(Crime is not ongoing.) | AFTERWARDS<br>VonElmEast@cox.net | EMERGENCY |
| 354-1711 or 354-2553                     |                                  | 911       |

Use 911 emergency system for all law enforcement matters that are a crime-in-progress, fire or medical **emergency.**

State clearly what kind of assistance you need—Police, Fire or Medical

If you are not reporting a crime in progress, tell the operator "This is a non-emergency."

Stay on the phone and answer all questions. Do not hang up until the dispatcher tells you to.

Give your specific location.

Use your block map to give a neighbor’s address if necessary.

Remain calm and speak clearly.

**Email or Facebook Von Elm East Neighborhood Watch AFTER contacting Yukon Police Dept.**