

In Our Neighborhood	Von Elm East 	Yukon Police Department	
Email VonElmEast@cox.net		Non-Emergency (Crime is not ongoing.)	354-1711 or 354-2553
Facebook at Von Elm East		Emergency 911	
Cheryl Drabek, Volunteer NW Contact <i>Love your neighbor as yourself.</i> Newsletter provided/printed by <i>Community Action Agency</i> March 2016		www.CityofYukonOK.gov Online Incident Reporting at Police Dept. Link Crimes reported not requiring officer present Includes IDENTITY THEFT 354-6312 Animal Control...354-2553 if closed	

Yukon Police Department February 2016 Crime Stats

We are pro-active!



 The only incident we had was the vehicle running into house on Valley Road on February 8th. I can't go into detail about the outcome since it involved a juvenile.

Sgt. Zach Roberson, YPD



SIRENS CHANGE

OKC has changed their siren system. Sirens no longer go off across the entire county but rather in the area of immediate threat.

As always outdoor sirens are a warning for those outside to move indoors. Only

now that siren will be even more crucial for seeking IMMEDIATE shelter—the storm is on top of you! From the Yukon Emergency Management website:

- 1) **SEEK SHELTER IMMEDIATELY.**
- 2) *Tune to your favorite local radio or television stations.*
- 3) *DO NOT CALL 911 unless you have an emergency to report.*
- 4) *Don't go outside to see the tornado as you may be injured by hail or flying debris.*

NO "all clear" alert will sound. Once the sirens are activated, take the appropriate action and tune to your local radio station.

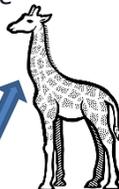


If you are like me, I have to retrain myself not to run outside. If I can hear the siren, I must first **SEEK SHELTER** --the siren is announcing the storm is in my immediate

area. Living close to OKC sirens within earshot of their siren, we actually have become conditioned just like the OKC Metro.



Practice with children being a
 **TURTLE** —Duck inside, then peek out
 instead of being a **GIRAFFE**
 Sticking my head up into the SKY.



VON ELM EAST NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE MAY 6-7 (FIRST FRIDAY IN MAY)



Permits are valid for 3 consecutive days which may include the day before or after our days posted on entrance signs.

Do you know what you need before you have a garage sale? Check out the brochure at:
http://www.cityofyukonok.gov/sites/yukon2/uploads/images/Development_Services/Garage_Sale_Brochure_2015.pdf

Permits: \$5 per location -- cash or check payable to the City of Yukon. \$5 fee is waived for non-profits. Permits at *Yukon Community Development*

334 Elm Street

405-354-6676 mhort@cityofyukonok.gov

Have your permit before beginning your sale.

Citations may be issued for sales that are conducted without a permit and/or signs that are not in compliance with Code of Ordinance.

Von Elm East Neighborhood Watch will post the sales on Craigslist the week of the sales. 2 entrance signs are posted. Any other advertising is up to the individual. Contact Neighborhood Watch if you would like to be added. Von Elm East Facebook or VonElmEast@cox.net

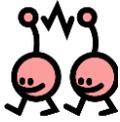
We practice the "Five House" Rule—Get to know the neighbors next door to the left and right and the three houses across from you.

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



Neighbors Share...conversations on email and Von Elm East Facebook of 270 neighbors. All neighbors can post positive comments directly on our timeline.

Feb 25th Bill: We received a telephone call that caller ID shows as "unknown" from 206-488-9070 telling us that we owe money to the IRS. It's a scam that you will want to ignore if you get one.



From AARP Fraud Alert for IRS

<http://blog.aarp.org/2016/02/26/tax-email-scams-surge-400-percent-this-filing-season/?cmp=SNO-OK-FB-N/A-N/A&socialid=386858169>

Remember, the IRS never initiates contact with taxpayers via email, text, social media or telephone — only by USPS-delivered letter. What else to know:

* Without clicking on links, forward to phishing@irs.gov any email or text message that's allegedly from the IRS. Recent examples include subject lines and underlying text about refund status, getting PINs to e-file, or a need to confirm personal information or update filing details (which can include references to a W-2).

* Beware of emails supposedly from tax software companies. Intuit, the parent company of Turbo Tax, recently warned that its customers were emailed fakes.

Hang up on or don't answer unsolicited phone calls supposedly from the agency, including recently revised robocalls claiming you face arrest or a lawsuit for supposed owed back taxes. Although "Internal Revenue Service" or its 1-800-829-1040 toll-free number may be displayed on your caller ID, these are scams. The IRS does not telephone to demand immediate payment without having first mailed a bill or given you the opportunity to question or appeal the amount allegedly owed. Nor will the agency threaten to have police arrest you, require that taxes be paid in a specific way (swindlers usually request prepaid debit cards because they are hard to trace and easy to use) or ask for credit card information over the phone.



Bell Electric

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Do you have an outlet or several that look like this? It can be very dangerous...call us and we will correct the problem for you!

Before you DIG, OG&E reminds us:

Warmer weather often means tree planting and other outdoor projects. Remember to keep electrical safety in mind before planting or starting construction project. Before you dig, call 811 for Okie. Check www.oge.com for more tips for digging safely.

March 8 LauraLynn:

Dear friends and neighbors, My name is Triston Brooke and I am 14 years old. I am looking for ways to earn money to help pay for basketball activities this



summer. I play for Yukon Middle School and am also on a competitive tournament team. I will need money for camps, tournament fees, travel, and uniforms. I have experience in lawn care, construction cleanup, and have also helped my dad with other things like digging post holes for fences, laying hardwood floors and roofing. If you have any jobs that I can do, I would love the opportunity to work for you.

Thank you, Triston Brooke

Text or call 405-694-7896

Or email llynok@gmail.com

Consider a Backpack for the Storm Shelter

Whether it is your neighbor's or your own shelter, there are some essentials to pack. For families, it is easier to have one backpack rather than multiple—especially if there are children to round-up. Time is critical if one waits for the siren to grab bags and family member hands.

- Medicines
- Phone Charger
- Water & Snacks
- Emergency Rain Ponchos
- Flashlight and/or 12-hour Lightsticks
- Work Gloves
- Dust Masks
- Tissues
- Whistle
- First Aid Kit
- Survival Blankets
- Baby Supplies & Toys
- Insurance Papers on home and car in plastic bag
- Cash because ATM's may have no power
- Extra set of keys

Backpacks also free the hands when coming out of a shelter after a tornado.

Wear or pack

- o Sturdy closed-toe shoes
- o Long pants
- o Long sleeve shirt

**MARCH YARD OF THE MONTH
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE HICKS**

1433 Bois D'Arc

The Hicks have lived there since 1994.

Oleda mentioned that what they like about the neighborhood is how quiet and friendly it is.



Thank you, Shirley and Marsha for your work on Yard of the Month. The Vascellaros will be knocking on doors for Yard of the Month.



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 www.2potatoes.com

Address BUILT BED/BA/GAR SqFt LIST/CLOSED

ACTIVE:

1326 SYLVAN SAND 1983 3/2.1/2 1989 174,000

1321 SYLVAN SAND 1983 3/3/2 2843 190,000

PENDING:

4505 PRUE SAND 1985 4/3/2 2193 188,000

1316 VIOLA 1988 3/2/2 1730 164,900

4825 ELK RUN 1982 3/2/2 1608 154,500

1209 VALLEY RD 1983 4/3/2 3729 329,900

CLOSED:

1333 VON ELM PL 1995 3/2/2 1558

LIST 140,000 / SOLD 138,000

YUKON SCHOOL DIST STATS:

371 ACTIVE AVE \$232,480 /106.61

145 PENDING AVE \$182,662/99.23

55 SOLD \$185,630/98.32 75 DAYS ON MARKET

METRO STATS: (JAN) AVERAGE SELL PRICE \$180,791.00

(JAN) GETTING 97% OF LIST PRICE

Homeowners always want to know what they can do to ensure that their homes fetch top dollar when they're ready to sell. With spring finally here, why not throw open the windows and tackle those projects that you've been putting off all winter!

The checklist below is a great start to keeping your home in great shape, and at its maximum value.

- Remove and donate unwanted items, reorganize and clean attic and garage
- Power wash exterior walls, porch floors, deck, patio, driveway and sidewalks
- Clean outdoor furniture, umbrellas and outdoor light fixtures
- Clean out gutters
- Clean out refrigerator and freezer, making sure to vacuum the grill and coil
- Reorganize closets, donating unwanted items
- Remove lint from the hose attached to back of clothes dryer
- Vacuum baseboards, walls and ceilings, wipe down walls
- Steam clean carpets and area rugs and upholstery
- Reseal natural stone surfaces (travertine, etc)
- Reseal and repair grout in bathtubs and showers
- Clean window treatments, dust and clean blinds and shutters
- Remove items from all shelves, dust and clean
- Oil hinges

When you're ready to know the value of your home, give me a call! Sincerely, Greg Ouren



Thank you, Nicole Church,
for volunteering!

Nicole is our Newsletter Volunteer for
both Elk Run and Wolf Lane!



The Green Thumb for April

From: Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service

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

- Control cedar-apple rust. When the orange jelly galls are visible on juniper (cedar) begin treating apple and crabapple trees with a fungicide. Treat hawthorns accordingly.
- Fire blight bacterial disease can be controlled at this time. Plant disease-resistant varieties to avoid diseases.
- Diplodia tip blight fungicide applications at bud break.
- Control of powdery mildew disease can be done with early detection and regular treatment. Many new plant cultivars are resistant.
- Most bedding plants, summer flowering bulbs, and annual flower seeds can be planted after danger of frost. This happens around mid-April in most of OK.
- Let spring flowering bulb (daffodil, tulip, etc) foliage remain as long as possible before removing it.
- Fungicides for leaf spot diseases can be applied.
- Warm-season grass lawns can be established beginning in late-April from sprigs, plugs, or sod.
- Warm-season grasses can be fertilized 3 to 5 times per season using 1 pound of actual nitrogen per 1,000 sq ft in each application. Apply 1 lb. in April, May, June, August, and Sept. for a high quality lawn. Water in nitrate fertilizers.
- Mowing of warm-season lawns can begin now. Cutting height for Bermuda and zoysia should be 1 to 1 ½ inches high. Mow buffalo at 3" high.
- Damage from Spring Dead Spot Disease becomes visible in bermudagrass. Perform practices that promote grass recovery. Do not spray fungicides at this time for SDS control.
- Be alert for both insect pests and predators. Some pests can be handpicked without using a pesticide. Do not spray if predators such as lady beetles are present. Spray only when there are too few predators to be effective.
- Remove any winter-damaged branches or plants that have not begun to grow by late-April.
- Clean out water garden and prepare for season. Divide and repot water garden plants.
- Begin feeding fish when water temperatures are over 50° F.



Health Insurance Exchange Calling? No, it's a Scam!

A new scam has surfaced, with a threatening twist.

How It Works:

You get a robocall purporting to be from the Health Insurance Marketplace, saying you need to purchase insurance or pay a fine. If you do as instructed and "press 1," an operator will ask for your personal information, including your full name, date of birth, phone number, income information and Social Security Number.

What You Should Know:

- If you get a recorded call, hang up. Unless you signed up to receive recorded calls, the call is illegal.
- Don't press 1 to speak to the operator this puts you at risk for receiving more calls.
- If you do speak to an operator who asks for personal information, hang up!
- If you get a call like this, report it to the FTC and warn others on the Fraud Watch Network Scam-tracking map.

This is just the latest twist on scams involving health insurance. Some scammers offer to help you navigate the new health care law for a fee. Scam alert! Others will tell you need a new Medicare card, because of the new health care law. To learn more about health care scams, visit the FTC's website

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0394-suspect-health-care-scam>



Tornadoes and Severe Weather Insurance Commissioner John D. Doak

https://www.ok.gov/oid/Consumers/Prepare_Yourself/Tornadoes_and_Severe_Weather.html

The start of spring traditionally marks the start of severe weather season and an increased risk of property damage from wind, rain, hail, floods and tornadoes.

The first steps to prepare for spring storms is to conduct an [insurance checkup](#) to make certain an individual or business has the right coverage and for the right amounts. Three questions should be asked:

1. What type of coverage do I have?
2. How much coverage do I need?
3. What are my discounts and deductibles?

If you are a victim of tornado or severe weather damage, the following advice for dealing with damage should be taken:

What to Do if Your Home is Damaged:

Call your insurance company or agent with your policy number and all relevant information as soon as possible.

Cooperate fully with your company or agent, asking what forms, documents and data you will need to provide in order to process your claim.

- Take photos or video of the damage.
- Make the necessary repairs to prevent further damage to the property (for instance, covering broken windows, leaking roofs and damaged walls), but do not have permanent repairs made until your insurance company has inspected the property and you have reached an agreement with them on the cost of appropriate repairs.
- Save all receipts, including those from the temporary repairs that might be covered by your insurance policy.
- If your home is damaged to the extent that it is unlivable, ask your insurance provider if you have coverage for living expenses incurred while repairs are being made. Save all receipts to document these costs.

What Damage to Your Home is Covered?

Damages caused by wind, wind-driven rain, trees or other falling objects, and the collapse of a structure are covered under most standard homeowners policies. However, you should review your individual insurance contract to determine specific coverage and exclusions. Check your policy and call your insurance agent or company for clarification with specific questions.

What Damage to Your Home is Not Covered?

The following weather-related events are usually not covered by standard homeowner's insurance policies:

- Interior storm-water damage when there was no damage to the home's roof or walls
 - Flood damages
 - Removal of fallen trees from the property, unless those trees land on and damage the roof and walls of the home
 - Food spoilage due to power outages
 - Water damage from backed-up drains or sewers
- Oklahomans should also take steps to protect their personal safety as the severe storm season nears. More information on preparing before an emergency strikes can be found on the Office of Emergency Management's website: www.oem.ok.gov.



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 & Wolf Lane NICOLE CHURCH • 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

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