

In Our Neighborhood		Yukon Police Department	
Email VonElmEast@cox.net		Non-Emergency (Crime is not ongoing.)	354-1711 or 354-2553
Facebook at Von Elm East Cheryl Drabek, Volunteer NW Contact		Emergency 911	
<i>Love your neighbor as yourself.</i> Newsletter provided/printed by Community Action Agency Nov 2014 Vol 6 Issue 11		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	

Christmas Neighborhood Caroling

A gift to Von Elm East

By
Putnam City West High School
Concert Choir

Thanks to
Jenny Reynolds
Our Elk Run Neighbor

Tuesday Night, December 9th
Between hours of 7 and 8 p.m.



Yukon Police Department Last Month Crime Stats

We are pro-active!



On October 22nd, around the 4800 block of Hunton Terrace a vehicle was stolen from a driveway during the night.

Sgt. Zach Roberson

3 Crimes that are currently common

- **Green Dot pre-paid visa cards** should be treated like cash and when you give out the number on the card it is the same as giving a Scammer cash. They can be purchased at a variety of stores—easily attainable. The card is not a credit card—it is pre-loaded cash onto a card.



The scam may be a call saying “You just won a large sum of cash and the check will be delivered to your door for a processing fee. We need the number off a Green Dot card for the fee.” Even if a check makes its way to your hands, it could be worthless unlike the amount of money you just put onto the Green Dot card.

Another scam may be a call that one of my family members—perhaps, a grandchild, is in trouble or hurt, needing cash right away. They’ve gained information through social media of someone in my family that causes me to believe the scenario—someone that may be hard to contact instantly—perhaps traveling abroad. In a panic, I purchase the Green Dot card and while still in the store—call the Scammer back to give them the number I just scratched off on the card.

In this day of facebook, twitter, and social media it doesn’t take much to know who in my family can be used as a “victim lie.” Do I buy the card, scratch off the number, and then give the number to the scammer?

Sometimes the cash amount is so low that I feel comfortable taking the risk. After all, wouldn’t the bad guy demand more? I actually might be one of many

being scammed; a little money multiple times adds up quickly to be quite a lot.

There is a fraud alert on the back of the card warning consumers.

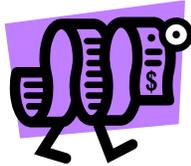
• Tis the Season for Gift Cards

At the cash register I'll find gift cards hanging there just in case I can't find that perfect gift. Only the bad guy is one step ahead of me. With the card number clearly in sight, he's snapped a picture or wrote the number down on the visible cards trusting that he can use the card number quicker than Christmas coming—when the real card depleted of cash falls into the hands of the intended. What can I do? Ask the cashier for a gift card behind the counter and be sure to keep the receipt for the card.



• Thief loves to Recycle My Receipts

The cost of business theft gets passed to the consumer. Yet unwillingly we are very good at enabling the theft. How? A cash receipt in the hands of a thief is like cash. He can choose an item from a found receipt, walk into many stores, pick the item off the shelf, and return the item using my misplaced receipt—never having purchased the item.



Where did he get the receipt? We leave it behind in the store or let them blow away or leave them in our dumpsters without shredding.

Placing anything including our dumpster at the curb moves the property from private property to public property. Contents of dumpsters at the curb are no longer our property. It isn't a crime to dumpster dive when the dumpster is at the curb. Nor is it a crime to pick up the high volume of receipts that blow against fences in shopping parking lots.

Who is flying overhead?

In our neighborhood it is not uncommon to hear and see helicopters overhead—News, Medical or Police copters. The Oklahoma City Police Department has two police copters that are great for monitoring activity on the ground. OKC Police boundary is the close proximity of Sara Road to our east. Their copter may fly over our flood plain creeks and the Canadian River. Also OKC works closely with our Yukon Police Department when Yukon needs a fly over.



Not by Copter, but by Boat



While OKC has helicopter to the rescue flying over primarily land; Yukon Fire Department has boats to the rescue on our many water tributaries that may flood.

Report all crimes

What may seem like a small crime for one can be a lucrative crime as it multiplies for the criminal. When every crime is reported, our Yukon Police Department can profile crime—getting the big picture and becoming pro-active towards preventing it from spreading through Yukon.

Crime should not happen to me, but when it does, I have opportunity to help prevent it from spreading by reporting.

Failure to report a minor crime makes it easier for the criminal to return to my home or my neighbors.

When a crime is discovered after the criminal has come and gone, I can call the Yukon Police Department non-emergency #354-2553 or report many types of crime on-line without a police officer coming to the scene.

Go to Online Incident Reporting where a form and training video is available at

<http://www.cityofyukonok.gov/city-departments/police-department/communications-jail/>

Once my online report is received it will be verified within 6 hours by a call or email from a police officer. Complete the form at this website beginning with choosing one of these:

- Larceny of Yukon City Trash Can
- Extra Patrol (residence or business)
- Larceny of gas (drive off)
- Petit Larceny (less than \$500)
- Lost items or property
- Vandalism
- Harassing/threatening/obscene phone calls
- Hit & Run Vehicle Accident (private property)
- Identity Theft

I cannot report on-line the following crimes:

- ❖ Stolen vehicles
- ❖ Larceny of any medication

A good example of a crime to report online is the theft of a UPS package from my porch by selecting "Petit Larceny (less than \$500)".



**November
Yard of the Month
Congratulations,
Logan Family
1308 Elk Run**

See photos at Von Elm East Facebook.

Logans' commented: "Thanks Von Elm East! We hope you enjoy the results of our hard work as much as we do!"



**In Real Estate
Our Addition**

Questions? / Resources? / Home Valuations?

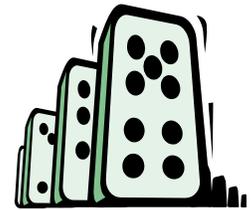
Greg Ouren Keller Williams 405 630 4695
www.2potatoes.com

ADDRESS	BUILT	BED/BA/GAR	SFT	LIST/CLOSED
ACTIVE:				
1409 CHIMNEY HILL RD	1993	3/2/2	1473	\$142,900
1409 BOIS D QRC DR	1996	3/2/2	1953	\$169,900
PENDING:				
NA				
CLOSED:				
NA				
YUKON SCHOOL DIST STATS:				
241 ACTIVE AVE \$219,491/ 103.52				
133 PENDING AVE \$184,347 / 97.16				
99 SOLD \$183,684.00 / 95.97 51 DAYS ON MARKET				
METRO STATS: AVERAGE SELL PRICE \$182,086				
GETTING 98% OF LIST PRICE				



We Need YOU!

Ever consider being a voice for a child, making a difference in a child's life? Have 10-12 hours a month to volunteer? Here is your opportunity! Canadian County CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) is recruiting volunteers to help children in Canadian County. Canadian County is the 3rd Highest County in Oklahoma with Abused and Neglected children. We have over 300 Cases (case is a family so it can be several children) in Canadian County that need CASA Advocates to be a voice. A CASA Advocate can make a real difference in a child's life. Pass a background check, attend 30 hours of training, be court appointed and be a voice for a child in your community. We have a training session starting in November. If interested please contact us at www.canadiancountycasa.org or 405-264-5508. ~Neighbor, Diana Bast



**Ladies Domino Group
Starts in 2015**

Ladies, ever wonder who is like you during the day moving around in their quiet home?

Take a break once a month and join some neighbors for a fun, light-hearted game. The host home chooses what variation of dominoes to play. A great deal of the fun is in learning the rules along with everyone else at the table. The game ends at the completion of the hand nearing two hours.

The first Ladies Domino Group started in May and continues to meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month between 1-3pm. Once a group has more than 8 ladies—crowding one table, we create a new group.

The NEW 2nd Ladies Domino Group will kick off Tuesday, January 20th at Cheryl Drabek's home, 4713 Elk Run, from 1-3pm. RSVP to guarantee a player's spot at the table or just come and see. No obligation whatsoever to commit; no mandatory attendance or requirement to host if you choose to join us. It's all about taking a break to play once a month with some neighbors—something women often don't give themselves enough of—PLAY--more fun than having a cup of tea.

Men, this group is for Ladies. However, you do have an option. For those 55+ our Dale Robertson Senior Center has on-going daily games with the majority being male players. Just show up to the table!

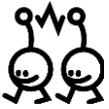
RSVP by contacting VonElmEast@cox.net or message on our Facebook page with subject: Ladies Domino Group Reserve My Seat. Please give your name and Von Elm East address. ~Cheryl



The Green Thumb for December

From: Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service
HLA-6408 Landscape Maintenance Schedule
From: Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service
<http://pods.dasnr.okstate.edu/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-1136/HLA-6408web.pdf>

- Continue mowing cool-season lawns on a regular basis.
- Remove leaves from cool-season grasses or mow with a mulching mower.
- Continue to control broadleaf weeds in well established warm or cool-season lawns with a post-emergent broadleaf week killer.
- If soil is dry, irrigate all plantings at least 24 hours before hard-freezing weather.
- Review the year's schedule and make plans for next year's improvements.



NEIGHBORS SHARE...

Oct 13, 5:05pm posted on Facebook by

Neighbor on Sylvan Sand: Watch for Package Thieves!

My mom had bought us a baby swing for our baby girl which has not arrived yet. She said the shipping email said it was delivered OCT 8th and we didn't discover until today! We live on Sylvan Sand. Thank goodness the company will resend it. But it's terrible to think your neighbors could do it or just someone driving around. Either way since the holiday season is approaching I'm sure this isn't an abnormal thing.

Von Elm East: Have you reported this to Yukon Police Department? It is very important so they can compare if this is happening city wide, etc.

Neighbor: I did not know it mattered! Thank you. I will report it.

VonElmEast: Yes, it makes a big difference! I'm sorry this happened to you, but letting us know keeps everyone alert as well. From what I understand delivery trucks are followed by would-be thieves—It's pretty common. And it's possible that a neighbor may have seen suspicious vehicles or people on your property.

Neighbor: Yes, I assumed that was probably what happened. Sylvan Sand is a pretty quiet street so it was pretty shocking to find out that it was stolen.

PICKUP STOLEN

Via Facebook October 23rd: a Wilcox Lane neighbor is reporting a Hunton Terrace neighbor had pickup stolen from driveway the prior night, Wednesday night.

No further information at this time.

Please report all crime activity directly to the Yukon Police Department before alerting Neighborhood Watch at VonElmEast@cox.net. Facebook does not always send alerts that something has been posted at our page.

Oct 29th Von Elm Place Neighbor's response after contacting Buyer's Edge: I talked to a lady and she was very helpful and seemed to understand my plight. I told her that I had picked up about 3 flyers one day and that the person who was delivering them totally missed the property. In listening to her tone of voice, I believe she will take care of it. She said she would pass this to Mr. Maxwell. Again, thanks.

Oct 31st email...Political endorsement is Not Neighborhood Watch Activity...response to neighbor submitting political opinion column:

Hi Neighbor,

Neighborhood Watch does not participate in the political election process or advocate for candidates; we work with the elected leadership of the City of Yukon.

We actually have guidelines as to what is permitted to be posted in newsletters concerning politics; those guidelines are applied to our emails as well.

However, any neighbor is free to post whatever they desire on our Facebook page given that it is not viewed as offensive. Neighborhood Watch does not do this type of posting for any neighbor; we are about being pro-active against crime.

Any neighbor, including myself, can go door to door for support of candidates or an issue. I would encourage anyone to let VonElmEast@cox.net know so that neighbors have a heads-up and don't report the door knock to our Yukon Police Department as possible illegal solicitation.

~NW Contact, Cheryl

Deer Creek Newsletter Volunteer NEEDED!

Contact Cheryl at VonElmEast@cox.net.

Thank you so much, Stephanie Taylor for serving for years and Jennifer Ashton, for choosing to become Wilcox Lane's Volunteer!

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Newsletter ONLINE @ www.CityofYukonOK.Gov

>Police Department>>Neighborhood Watch



Thank you, Newsletter Volunteers -- Bois D'Arc

WADE WARDLOW • Chimney Hills Rd & Hunton Terrace TRECIA

STATON • Deer Creek NEEDED • Deer Creek Ct MARGARET

ALBRECHT • Elk Run CAM DOOLEY • Osborn Lane CALAWAYS • Oswego Drive

KATHY RICE • N. Sky Trail NOWLINS • S. Sky Trail SHIRLEY PFIEMER • Sylvan

Sand & Prue Sand ROHWERS • Valley Road JESSUPS • Viola Drive MARK

BUMGARNER • 1300 block Von Elm Place CHERYL VASCELLARO • 1400 block

Von Elm Place BILL WALKER • Wilcox Lane JENNIFER ASHTON • Wolf Lane

GLORIA BOZARTH • Sub MICKEY QUOTONE

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.