

In Our Neighborhood	<p>Von Elm East</p> 	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	
<p>Cheryl Drabek, Volunteer NW Contact</p> <p><i>Love your neighbor as yourself.</i></p> <p>Newsletter provided/printed by <i>Community Action Agency</i> December 2015</p>		<p>www.CityofYukonOK.gov</p> <p>Online Incident Reporting at Police Dept. Link Crimes reported not requiring officer present Includes IDENTITY THEFT</p>	
		354-6312 Animal Control...354-2553 if closed	

Yukon Police Department November 2015 Crime Stats

We are pro-active!



 There were no reported crimes in your neighborhood this month which is just great. Another great month. (3 months without crime reported to YPD)

Sgt. Zach Roberson, YPD



Security Alarm

Residential Alarm Permits need to be renewed by December 31st for each calendar year the alarm is active.

To keep your permit compliant, please remit \$10 renewal fee either by visiting the city website or mail a check (made payable to City of Yukon) to:

Yukon Police Department
Attn: Alarm Administration
100 S. Ranchwood Blvd.
Yukon, OK 73099

<http://www.cityofyukonok.gov/pay-online-alarm-permit/>

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

Driving and Texting

From: Sgt. Zach Roberson, Yukon Police Department

Sent: Thursday, November 12, 9:08 AM

To: Cheryl Drabek

Subject: RE: Oklahoma texting law

(In response to Cheryl asking about a video:

I'm thinking the officer says that you can handle your phone when stopped but if it creates any question in their mind, then they will pull you over. Sadly, most people just hear "Yes, I can use my phone when stopped at a light.)



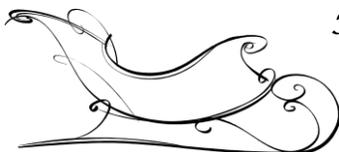
If you are caught texting (sending an electronic telecommunication) while driving, sitting at stop light/ stop sign, waiting to turn onto a public road, etc.. and an officer believes that you could cause harm to others on the road, then an officer could pull that driver over. Again the officer must observe some type of danger to others while driving. As a result the driver could be cited. An officer can't stop someone just for being on their phone; the officer must observe a danger to others on a public road.

However, the law does not enforce making or receiving calls with your phone, looking at a map, or any other thing that does NOT consist of sending or receiving a telecommunication (emails are included). But, if you are using your phone and an officer believes that you could cause harm to others on the roadway, then you could be stopped and cited for inattentive driving.

Yes, Cheryl you can use your phone at any time while you're stopped or traveling. However; if you cause a danger to others while stopped or driving you will be stopped, and if the officer believes that you were sending an electronic telecommunication then you can be cited for the new texting law.

Some people think that they can drive and look at their phone (be at a map, change their music, find a phone number, etc...) at the same time which is legal. But, doesn't make it a smart choice. Until they become a danger to someone else, they won't get stopped. When they do get stopped and say "Well, Officer I wasn't texting, but I was doing X, Y, or Z" --well this could result in an inattentive driving warning or ticket.

Again yes you can be cited for being stopped at a red light/ stop sign while texting. As long as the officer sees some sort of inattentive driving action or distraction.



*Merry Christmas,
Happy Holidays,
Happy New Year
Neighbors!*

Sled safely on our streets.

RUN. HIDE. FIGHT.

Surviving an Active Shooter Event

Like every disaster having a plan is key. The following are excerpts taken from the video on the FBI.gov website <https://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cirg/active-shooter-and-mass-casualty-incidents/run-hide-fight-video>

Run. When an active shooter is in your vicinity:

- If there is an escape path, attempt to evacuate.
- Evacuate whether others agree to or not.
- Leave your belongings behind.
- Help others escape if possible.
- Prevent others from entering the area.
- Call 9-1-1 when you are safe.

Hide. If an evacuation is not possible, find a place to hide.

- Lock and/or blockade the door.
- Silence your cell phone.
- Hide behind large objects.
- Remain very quiet.

Your hiding place should:

- Be out of the shooter's view.
- Provide protection if shots are fired in your direction.
- Not trap or restrict your options for movement.

Fight. As a last resort, and only if your life is in danger:

- Attempt to incapacitate the shooter.
- Act with physical aggression.
- Improve weapons.
- Commit to your actions.

9-1-1. When law enforcement arrives:

- Remain calm and follow instructions.
- Keep your hands visible at all times.
- Avoid pointing or yelling.
- Know that help for the injured is on its way.



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:				
1408 VON ELM	1985	4/2/2	2284	189,990
PENDING:				
1209 VALLEY RD	1983	4/3/2	3729	329,900
4825 ELK RUN	1982	4/3/2	1608	154,500
4520 SKYTRAIL	1983	3/2.5/2	2522	214,000
CLOSED:				
1412 CHIMNEY HILL RD	1984	3/2/2	1308	123,999/122,000
YUKON SCHOOL DIST STATS:				
357 ACTIVE AVE \$228781 / 106.01				
116 PENDING AVE \$188757 / 97.76				
68 SOLD \$196807/99.90 86 DAYS ON MARKET				
METRO STATS: AVERAGE SELL PRICE \$189,147 (OCT)				
GETTING 97% OF LIST PRICE				



The Green Thumb for January

From: Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service

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

- If precipitation has been deficient (1" of snow = 1/10" of water), water lawns, trees, and shrubs, especially broadleaf and narrow leaf evergreens. Double check moisture in protected or raised planters.
- Check on supplies of pesticides. Secure a copy of current recommendations and post them in a convenient place. Dilution and quantity tables are also useful.
- If you did not treat young pines for tip borers in November, do so before March.
- Check that gardening tools and equipment are in good repair—sharpen, paint, and repair mowers, edgers, sprayers, and dusters.
- Inspect your irrigation system and replace worn or broken parts.
- Control overwintering insects on deciduous trees or shrubs with dormant oil sprays applied when the temperature is above 40°F in late fall and winter. Do not use "dormant" oils on evergreens.
- A product containing glyphosate plus a post-emergent broadleaf herbicide can be used on dormant Bermuda in January or February when temperatures are above 50°F for winter weed control.



Neighbors Share... highlights of some conversations on email and Von Elm East Facebook of 252 neighbors. Facebook is open for anyone living in Von Elm East-- just request to join on Facebook.

Nov 13, Robbie: Offering some green tomatoes...

Nov 15, Two Neighbors on Elk Run spotted a suspicious white moving van that was pulling into driveways—left area and believed to be lost—perhaps trying to locate an address on Elk Street (neighborhood to the west).

Nov 17, Melissa: Cam found a cute little dog...

From: Von Elm East Neighborhood Watch
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 5:34 PM
Subject: **Mail Tampering on Wolf Lane**
Neighbor emailed:



Hi Cheryl,

I am notifying you at the request of one of my neighbors. On Thursday, November 20, 2015, my neighbor placed an envelope in their mailbox to be picked up by the mail carrier. Today my neighbor received a notice from the post office that someone had apparently taken the envelope out of the mailbox, ripped it open, but when they did not find money, a check or whatever they were hoping to find. The thieves placed the ripped apart envelope in another neighbor's mailbox and it was picked up by the mail carrier. The envelope contained.....

Please be alert. Tampering with mail is a Federal Offense. Should this happen to you, please contact the Yukon Police Department. Consider calling or reporting the incident online at www.cityofyukonok.gov > Police Department > Online Incident Report
<http://www.cityofyukonok.gov/city-departments/police-department/communications-jail/>

Sent: Saturday, November 21, 7:53 PM

Subject: NW: **SECOND mail tampering reported**

September 15th a Von Elm Place neighbor is reporting his letter that included a check payment was taken. The red flag on the mailbox was up. A stop payment was placed on the missing check.

Please continue to report all crimes--especially of this nature--so we can see if a pattern continues.

Report to Yukon Police Department and then Neighborhood Watch so we can alert our neighbors.

Boyd on Facebook: Good to know. I know everyone can't do this, but we never put our outgoing mail in our box. We go to the post office or mail from work.

From our Neighborhood Yukon Police Officer Cheryl, when this happens, you can also let the Post Office know and I believe they will document the theft as well.

This is not uncommon anymore. This happens a lot, and usually people don't know about it until they discover that either their check didn't go through or a bogus check with all their banking information is passed at a random store throughout the OKC metro.

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November 24 at 9:19am, Troy on Facebook: Anyone have any idea who is going to door to door on Deer Creek? There are two men.

ICE STORM & TREES ...Nov 28

Cheryl V. on Facebook: Has anyone in Von Elm East lost power?

Paul, Rhonda, Joann, Carmen, Cindy, Shandra, Becky, Leslie, Marka, Tony, Bob, Rick, Troy, Douglas, Amanda, William commented during the storm.



Boyd responded: I've been out. We seem to be the minority in N Yukon. Trees/power lines down everywhere. I-40, Garth Brooks closed. No power downtown Yukon and South to Walmart on Garth Brooks. I did see some transformers flash early this morning that I thought were in Von Elm East.

Because our lines are underground, Von Elm East usually keeps the lights on while other areas of Yukon can't.

Douglas on F/B: We just went to Walmart they are throwing out thousands of dollars of groceries because they lost power for an extended period

do1thing.com posted on Facebook November 10

Stash some cash in case ATMs and credit card machines are not usable in a disaster.

Many things that we take for granted are not available when there is no power. ATM machines may not work. Grocery stores and other businesses may not be able to accept your credit or debit card. Cash could be the only acceptable means to make a purchase. Some experts say you should have at minimum \$150.00 in cash stashed away. Realizing this may not be possible for everyone, any amount is good to start with.

Tree Trimming Recommendations

Two Tree Trimmers recommended in June 2014 Newsletter:



Andrea on FB: We had Jolliff Tree & Tractor Service Inc, out of Yukon, come work on our big Red Oak in our front yard. We loved them. Highly recommended. (405) 354-4155 "Saved it! Had bad wind/hail damage. He trimmed/pruned the tree and put some kind of wind strap on it. He knows his stuff. OSU horticulture degree."

Tree Removal: The gentleman I recommend for removing trees is with San Filippo Stump Grinding and Tree Service. His name is Chris; phone # is 426-9225. He is insured, dependable, does a great job and is very reasonable. Several of us on Sky Trail Court have used him and we have all been happy with his service.

Kristina on F/B: San Filippo is great to work with. Fast, reliable and very reasonable.

Douglas on F/B: A lot of people will probably need these guys in the coming days. I still hear trees breaking

Joann on F/B: Had a recommendation from a friend that had used this tree service before. Salas Tree Service..205-9763

City of Yukon on F/B: Thank you to the Southern Baptist Disaster Relief for their help in our community. If you still need chain saw assistance, please contact them using the information below.

443-7583 388-6912 415-5261

Dear Santa, all I want for Christmas is: _____

Jeanifer on F/B: For all to believe Christ came & died for our sins & to accept him as YOUR Personal Savior. (Romans 10:9-10). Also a cure for Cancer for ALL US citizens.

Dec 6, Becky on F/B: Are there any home daycares in our neighborhood that have an opening for an 18 month old to start immediately

LauraLynn: I have an in home daycare but don't have openings. You could go to providers.com to get a list of in home day cares in Mustang and Yukon. Most have been updated with the correct availability. Hope this helps. Website is uproviders.com.



Dec 8 Neighborhood Watch Email:

Solicitor on Elk Run at 5:30pm. A neighbor is reporting a tree-trimmer, Brad H., knocking on the door and the Yukon Police was called.

Yuletide Lighting by FEMA

Hanging holiday lights can be a fun family activity and adds a festive touch to your home. But if you're not careful, yuletide illuminations can also increase your risk of a home fire. According to the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA), one of every three home holiday tree fires is caused by electrical problems. Here are tips from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission to keep your decorations from going up in smoke:

- On average 1 of every 40 reported live home Christmas tree fires result in death.
- Whether it's indoors or outside, use only lights that have been tested for safety. Make sure your lights have a label from an independent testing laboratory;
- Check each set of lights, new or old, for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or loose connections. Discard damaged sets or replace them before using;
- Use no more than three standard-size sets of lights per single extension cord;
- Turn off lights on trees and other decorations before going to bed;
- Connect no more than 50 bulbs for screw-in light sets;
- A heat source too close to the Christmas tree causes 1 in every 6 of the fires. Make sure your tree is at least 3 feet away from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, candles or heat vents;
- Get rid of your live Christmas tree when it is dry;
- 2 out of 5 home decoration fires are started by candles. Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that burns.



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 **MICKY QUOTONE**

Volunteer Needed for Wolf Lane; please contact VonElmEast@cox.net.



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