

The NORTH BEACON

DEL CITY NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

"Shining a light on issues important to Del City North Community"

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It is Now Time to Renew Membership



The Del City North Neighborhood Watch (DCNNW) fiscal year begins September 1 each year and ends August 31 of the year. We have begun our new year as you read this newsletter. Our annual membership dues are \$24 for households and \$120 for businesses. The funds we collect are used in a variety of ways to further the goals and objectives of the DCNNW as well as Del City overall. Among our "projects" for next year are, new signs to advertise meetings, mailing of membership dues notices, supporting the

Senior Activity Center, and improved patrol equipment and signs along with sponsoring our annual special night out event. The back page of this newsletter is an application that you may complete and send along with your check to DCNNW Inc. by any of four methods shown on the form.

Major Change to Newsletter Coming in December

In view of the fact that we now have our new Web Page up and running, this newsletter will now be available on line for members to read. Next quarter, starting in December this year, we will publish this newsletter electronically on the Web Page and not print and hand distribute door to door as we have in the past. Although out block captains have been reliable to distribute the North Beacon we simply don't have enough hands involved. We are and have consistently been four volunteers short, requiring those who do step up to do double duty. We welcome members comments regarding this change.

Del City Senior Activity Center Getting Underway Soon

A meeting to organize and initiate activities for the Del City Senior Activity Center in the Old Library Room at the Community Center was held August 12. The meeting was hosted by Del City Management and attended by members of the DCNW Leadership Council and representatives from multiple organizations who provide support for senior citizens health and activities. The Del City Library, Arch Well Health, OSU Extension and Homestead Living were all represented and made offers to help support the Center. Everyone in attendance is excited to get this project going. Stay tuned for more information.

Del City North Watch New Web Page is Working

On July 9, 2025, the Del City North Neighborhood Watch Association proudly announced the introduction of their new Web Page. The DCNNW began to explore creating a web page in late December 2024. We actually signed a contract on March 11, 2025 with two local developers, Zach Garett and Garrett Carroll to design and develop a custom web site with the needs of our membership in mind. We submitted our ideas and they made it all happen. Our Web Page is easily accessible via computer, lap top, or phone by logging on at **dcoknorth.com**. Our web page can be accessed by all residents of Del City and beyond, you need not be a member of DCNNW to log on. You cannot post information directly but can call or email to any number of contacts listed. The focus is on information important and pertinent for the "North" Community. Here is a list of portals you can click to inquire and get details on the subject.

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The Jail Saga Continues...

Oklahoma County is proceeding with the construction of a new Retention Center and Mental Health complex on county-owned land within Oklahoma City on Del City's west border, despite the city's zoning objections following a favorable opinion by the Oklahoma Attorney General, Gentner Drummond. Work on the Behavior Mental Health facility is now ongoing.

Bolstered by Federal ARPA funds Oklahoma County commissioners broke ground on the behavioral health facility but questions remain on how to fund the jail itself ...where will the money will come from. The commissioners are now thinking they may start and build only a portion of the jail with funds they already have access to and then it is expected they will ask voters to authorize a "sales tax" to cover the rest of the costs. However, the County is experiencing various obstacles with the site itself (poor soil for example) that has caused delays and they have a hard stop of spending the ARPA funds by 12/31/26. Lastly, the hope is that a County Sales tax of 1% (equivalent of 1 cent) will be approved by the voters to offset the jail build costs. While our County is one of the few that DOES NOT currently have a sales tax and we understand their goal, neither Oklahoma City or Del City is excited by this solution. All DCNNW Members should watch out for this election!

Del City Neighborhood Watch Leadership Council Organized

In a Breakfast meeting August 2, the officers of all the Del City Neighborhood Watches agreed to formally organize as a separate group under the name, DCNW Leadership Council. This group has been meeting informally for the past year and was instrumental in planning the Neighbors' Night Out this past June. It is expected this council will be the governing force behind future city wide efforts of the neighborhood Watches. The council has met with Del City Chamber of Commerce on August 6 to begin planning for a City Wide night out event next year. The next meeting October 8, will firm up plans for 2026.

Quarterly Watch Patrol and Police Report

In August 2025, our volunteer patrolmen logged 328 miles keeping an eye on our neighborhood. Police reported a total of 11 crime events in our watch area. You can now access crime statistics by using our new Web Page. Log on at DCOKNORTH.COM, click on Crime Statistics to see the number and types of criminal activities reported over the past few years. We are trying to develop the means to report the activity trend over time of the various events.





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Del City, Deep Roots, Relentless Pride, Competition - Summer 2025



The "Deep Roots: Relentless Pride" home owner competition is a Del City initiative advertised on social media, and local flyer in the Utility Billing office, Permits office, and entry points throughout City Hall. The nomination process is usually a month long but was only two weeks this year due to late planning. Residents of Del City may nominate fellow residents and businesses to be recognized for their exceptional appearance. Nominees are judged and selected to be winners by the Parks and Beautification Committee. Once they are selected the winners receive a letter to inform them and a City Council presentation of a Certificate of Recognition and Yard Sign to display their at their residence.

At the August 4 Council Meeting, The home of Larry and Debbie Jones, 321 Hisel Road, was recognized for their exceptional home and yard appearance in Ward 4. We thank them for showing what pride in our community looks like, one beautiful lawn at a time! This is a great reflection upon the Del City North Watch which covers the north east sector of Ward 4.

Bulk Trash Scheduling Has Changed One More Time

You have to pay close attention to keep up with Del City Sanitation Department Bulk Trash Scheduling. Here is the latest plan. Bulk Trash is picked up every week, somewhere, on the following schedule. The week of your area pickup is determined by which Ward of Del City you live in. Ward 1 pickup will be during the first full week of the month, Ward 2 is the 2nd week, , Ward 3 Is the 3rd week, and Ward 4 the fourth week of the month. You can determine your ward by logging on our website, dcoknorth,com. You need only call for pickup if your trash exceeds 4 cubic yards in volume. The system is simple. You must sit your trash at the curb by 6:00 AM on Monday of the week your ward will be picked up. Do NOT set you trash out more than 24 hours before Monday morning. (See guidelines below)

Bulk Trash Guidelines

- It is imperative that you're trash/items for disposal are at the curb NO LATER THAN 6AM ON THE MONDAY OF YOUR SPECIFIED PICKUP WEEK to ensure collection during this time.
- Items placed outside of your scheduled pickup week MAY RESULT IN A CODE ENFORCEMENT VIOLATION. To help keep our neighborhoods clean and safe, please only place items out by 6AM on the Monday of your designated pickup week.
- ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY OVER 4 CUBIC YARDS Approximately 3FTx6FTx6FT. For reference: (4) washing machines are approximately equal to (4) cubic yards. (This includes tree limbs.)
- MORE THAN 4 CUBIC YARDS = A FEE OF \$15 PER ADDITIONAL CUBIC YARD (UP TO 8 CUBIC YARDS) assessed to Resident's Utility Billing account.
- 9+ CUBIC YARDS Call 405.671.2873 for more information.
- **DO NOT** place bulk trash in cul-de-sac's or street for pick up.
- Bulk trash MUST be placed on YOUR property. (Property in which you have a utility account established.)
- DO NOT set bulk trash on top of city water meters.
- Small bulk trash (clothes, toys, etc.) MUST be bagged or boxed. Loose items will NOT be picked up.
- Items should be at least **(5) FEET** from any obstructions, including mailboxes, gas meters, cars, shrubs, trees, signs, or anything else that could interfere with the mechanical lifting arm.
- Items should be at least (10) FEET away from the utility poles to prevent contact with any overhead power lines. Piles should NOT be placed under any high line wires or overhanging tree limbs.
- This service is for the residents within the city of Del City ONLY. Commercial businesses are NOT included
 in the bulk trash program.
- Unacceptable Waste (NOT ELIGIBLE FOR PICKUP) includes the following:
- Hazardous waste (i.e., radioactive, flammable, explosive material)
- Construction and demolition debris (i.e., materials resulting from construction, remodeling, repair, or demolition such as concrete or rocks)
- Special waste (i.e., asbestos-containing material, PCB wastes, toxic material, paint, batteries, tires, oil or untreated medical waste)
- Items or material resulting from a flood, tornado, major storm, or other act of nature or act of God or dead animals.
- **NO MORE THAN (4) CUBIC YARDS** will be picked up. Approximately 3FTx6FTx6FT. For reference: (4) washing machines are approximately equal to (4) cubic yards. (This includes tree limbs.)

What to do with Hazardous Materials ... see next page

What to do with Hazardous Materials

In Del City, the correct way to dispose of hazardous items is to take them to the Midwest City Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Facility located at 8725 SE 15th Street (behind Cocopellli's Salon on south side of 15th) You must first make an appointment to drop off your items. The number to call is 405-739-1049. If you are uncertain about an item, call this number and ask. This service is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 8AM to 11:30 and 12:00 until 3:00

Del City Continues to Pursue Code Enforcement

Del City Code Enforcement continues to investigate complaints from citizens about property that is not being maintained. Del City North Neighborhood Watch (DCNNW) will continue to monitor this situation. In a recent week the four Del City Code Enforcement Officers wrote over 160 tickets charging property owners with code violations. In a recent city council meeting almost 20 items on the agenda concerned an assessment against property owners to have property cleaned up at the owners expense to meet city code standards. As we look around we see slowly but surely a gradual improvement of the appearance of our city. The process to correct all code violations may take years but our city officials are on board to get this done. The key to begin the abatement of an unsightly nuisance from private property begins with a complaint filed by a concerned citizen. When confronted with a bad situation a citizen can contact code enforcement at 405-677-5741. Sometimes the property owner or resident at a blighted site may not be able to comply with requirements due to financial or health issues. DCNNW has notified Del City they may be able to help by offering neighborly assistance to clean up a situation. To date we have not been approached to provide any assistance.

DCNNW Volunteers Maintain City's "Front Door" Signage



The Del City Welcome Sign at the corner of E Reno and Sooner Road contributes greatly to the appearance of our neighborhood. It's appearance makes a statement regarding the pride and character of the Del City North Community. Volunteers from the Del City North Watch have adopted this sign and have planted the shrubbery, flowers and vines that decorate this city entrance feature. They also regularly water the plants, remove wind-blown and auto discharged trash and mow and edge the traffic island where the sign sets. We appreciate the hard work of our volunteers, Ted Garrett and Troy Mize who oversee this.

We Need Members to Fill Block Captain and Patrolmen Positions

The work of the Del City north Neighborhood Watch (DCNNW) is done strictly by volunteer members. Our community is divided into 11 zones to be covered by individual block captains. Each zone has approximately 85 houses on two streets. A Zone can easily be covered by a block captain is a couple of hours or less when distributing newsletter or petitions. We are currently short three block captains. Could you find time to volunteer to help out? At this same time we have roughly 12 miles of streets in our area that need to be patrolled regularly to make unwanted visitors and bad actors aware they are being watched. We could use the eyes and ears of three more patrolmen to get this job done more thoroughly. Could you spend an evening or two a week keeping our community under surveillance. Contact any officer if you are interested.

Del City North Neighborhood Watch Association Membership Registration Form

Plan to attend our meetings the third Thursday each month 7:00 PM At the Del City Community Center 4505 S.E. 15th Street (Old Library building)

Effective September 1, 2022; Membership dues are \$24 annually. If you join as a new member any time after September 1, you pay \$2 per month for the number of months remaining until September 1, next year. Only one membership required per family/address.

- You may join by completing the information below and bring this form to the next meeting. You can pay your dues there.
- You may also complete this form and mail with your check to:
 Del North Neighborhood Watch Association
 923 Hisel Road, Del City, OK 73115
- You may save postage and drop your form and check at our Drop Box at the above address Make check payable to DCNNW, Inc. Your canceled check will be your receipt.

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