

# *Straight From The Heart*

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**NOTICE: Beginning with this issue, the newsletter will be published every other month. It will be delivered in May, July, September, November, January, and March. Hopefully this change will give the block captains a much deserved break, because it is getting harder to find volunteers that are willing to give a few minutes of their time to distribute the newsletter. At this time we need volunteer block captains for Dentwood Terr and Neighbors Ln. We also need a District Representative for district 6 (Chetwood to Overland/Bryant to Leonhardt). If interested please call Dallas Miller at 672-9495.**

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Neighbors,

As you have read, or will read, this newsletter will only be published every other month. Dallas Miller, with the help of his lovely wife Marilyn, has been the editor of this newsletter for over 15 years. Thanks Dallas and Marilyn for your loyal dedication to this Association. The newsletter will continue and Dallas and Marilyn will still put it together but only 6 times a year instead of 12.

By the time this newsletter is delivered, school will be out. Two reasons to sharpen your skills of observation. First, kids will be out playing, second, the hoodlums will be out playing. Keep in mind that the speed limit in ALL residential areas of Del City, is 25 miles per hour. You never know when a little one is going to chase a ball into the street and not look to see if the coast is clear.

The hoodlums on the other hand will have a lookout to make sure the coast is clear for their dash into the street after kicking in your door and helping themselves to your property.

I hope you had the opportunity to hear the presentation on drugs by Agent Mark Woodward from the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs. He is a dynamic speaker and well worth the time spent listening to him.

The next two association meetings will be June 2nd and July 7th at 7:00 PM at Sunnyslane Free Will Baptist Church, SE 41st and Sunnyslane.

Questions, comments or concerns?

Dick Carter  
672-2600  
dick73115@cox.net

## Upcoming Events

General membership meetings June 2 and July 7 at the Sunny Lane Church, 41<sup>st</sup> and Sunnyslane, at 7p.m.

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**NOTES FROM THE MAY,  
2009 MEMBERSHIP  
MEETING**

**Patty Raychel, Secretary**

The guest speaker was Deputy Kelli Brookshire from the Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office. Kelli spoke about mail thief that is happening here in Del City. People are stealing out going and incoming mail. With information they get they can steal your identity. Take your mail to the post office, a mail box or hand it to the mail person. Do not leave mail on your mail box for the mail person to pick up. Be sure to watch your mail closely.

The Sheriff's office has a program called Triad. Triad is the Sheriff's Office, Municipal Police Departments and senior adults who work together to prevent seniors becoming victims of crime. If you have any questions, you can contact Kelli at 713-1950 or email sokelbro@oklahomacounty.org.

The funds were increased for beautification.

Christian Heritage Academy students painted all the fire hydrants in Hartsdel and reworked the volleyball court.

It was motioned to donate \$250.00 to Christian Heritage Academy. The motion passed.

It was motioned to donate \$500.00 to the Sunny Lane Church. The motion passed. The church always lets the neighborhood watch use their facility at no charge.

It was suggested and approved we send out the newsletter every other month instead of every month.

We need more volunteers to help pass out the new letters. Please contact one of the officers if you would like to volunteer.

The City will be moving into the new City Hall June 19, 20 and 21. There will be an open house sometime in the future.

When the City Hall is occupied the old one will be demolished and a new police facility will be built.

It was reported that several vehicles were broken into and items were stolen. None of the cars were locked. Please be sure your vehicles are kept locked.

Thirteen people attended this meeting. Samuel Webb won the monthly drawing, a \$25.00 gift certificate from Wal Mart.

(Ed Note: By not attending the monthly meetings, you not only miss out on good information but also the chance to get a \$25.00 gift certificate from Wal Mart.)

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**Did You Know?** The bread twist tie was invented in Maysville; the shopping cart was invented in Ardmore in 1936; the first Girl Scout cookie was sold in Muskogee in 1917; the nation's first parking meter was installed in Oklahoma City in 1935.

**POLICE STATISTICS  
(4/1/09 to 4/30/09)**

Vandalism

4100 blk Monica Dr, 4/26  
3400 blk Eastwood Cir, 4/26  
3100 blki Greenbriar Terr, 4/06  
Sequoyah Park, 4/06

Larceny

3300 blk Lazy Lane, 4/24  
3300 blk Lazy Lane, 4/2  
4100 blk SE 43<sup>rd</sup> St, 4/1

Residential Burglary

3300 blk Greenbriar Terr, 4/24  
3900 blk Greenway Terr, 4/23  
3000 blk Overland Dr, 4/17

Auto Burglary

3700 blk Greenway Terr, 4/29  
3800 blk Greenway Terr, 4/28  
3000 blk Lazy Lane, 4/25  
3200 blk Simmons Dr, 4/25  
3200 blk Hillside Dr, 4/25



**RADIO CONTROL BOAT  
RACES**

I.M.P.B.A. District 6 Sanctioned Race

Hosted by the Oklahoma Model Boat Association

Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 8am to 5pm  
Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 8:30am to approximately 3pm

Eagle Lake, Del City  
Some of these boats are capable of 80 mph.

Spectators Free – Bring your lawn chairs and ice chests.

For entry information, go to - -  
[www.oklahomamodelboatassociation.com/](http://www.oklahomamodelboatassociation.com/)

or email - - [harald31@start.no](mailto:harald31@start.no)

## BEAUTIFICATION REPORT

Della Scott

Thanks to the twelve HNWA volunteers that helped on clean-up and spruce-up day Saturday, April 25 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Stan and Carol Sweat picked up tree limbs and dug out sprouts between concrete in the Leonhardt drainage ditch. That amounted to three truck loads to the dumpster provided by Del City for HNWA clean-up day.

Bob McCracken hauled seventy-five bags cedar mulch and a few bags of dirt to gardeners who met at Sequoyah Park at 9 a.m. then delivered some to gardeners who couldn't work Saturday. Bob also transplanted a Barberry bush to a more desirable location.

Nine of the fifteen neighborhood flower gardens were weeded then enriched by dirt and/or mulch by Steve, Myrna, & Courtney Clapp, Tiffany Washburn, Bob McCracken, Jackie Moody, Janet Diehl, David Bloodworth, Carol Wolf, and Della Scott. The added mulch will help continue our challenge to **Keep It Simple Soil-diggers** by eliminating as much weeding as was required in the past. One water connection has been repaired by the city so hopefully the other nine will be ready when the water is needed, after all the May rain.

From now until frost look for the colorful perennials and reseeded flowers to provide pleasing aesthetic value at nine Hartsdel entrances along Bryant, four on 44<sup>th</sup> St, one at Simmons Circle, and one at Sequoyah Park entrance.

Offers to help are needed and always welcomed by Della Scott at 670-2366.

## GREATER OKLAHOMA BLUEGRASS MUSIC SOCIETY CONCERT/JAM

The Greater Oklahoma Bluegrass Music Society (GOBMS), a nonprofit organization, presents its monthly concert/jam, June 13, 2009, 6:30 PM, at the Oklahoma Country-Western Museum & Hall of Fame, 3925 SE 29, Del City (just west of Wall's).

Featured bands this month are *Olen Davis & The Travelers*, Eufaula OK, *Tom Uhr & The Shady Grove Ramblers*, Irving TX and *Henderson Family*, Doyle Community OK.

General admission is \$6.00 (GOBMS members \$5.00). Children 12 and under are free, but must be accompanied by parent or adult.

Jamming rooms are available for musicians who wish to come and jam. Doors open at 5 PM for jamming.

For further information regarding performances, please call 405-485-2370; 405-677-7515 or 405-632-8945.

### SENIOR CITIZENS TOP WISDOMS

©*I started with nothing. I still have most of it.*

©*When did my wild oats turn to prunes and all bran?*

©*I finally got my head together, now my body is falling apart.*

©*It is easier to get older than it is to get wiser.*

©*I went to school to become a wit, only got halfway through.*

©*I wish the buck stopped here. I could sure use a few.*

©*If you are living on the edge, make sure you are wearing your seatbelt.*

©*The only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth.*

## FIGHT THE BITE

Summer is almost here and so are the mosquitoes! West Nile virus can infect humans, birds, mosquitoes, horses and some mammals. It is spread through the bite of an infected mosquito, usually the Culex mosquito. These mosquitoes pick up the virus when they feed on infected birds. The virus is then transmitted to animals and humans when bitten by the mosquito.

Culex mosquitoes are most active in Oklahoma from July through October. Later this summer as the Culex mosquitoes become active, persons are advised to apply a DEET based mosquito repellent to their exposed skin and clothing. DEET contains the chemical N,N-diethyl-m-toluamide, which repels the mosquito, making the person unattractive for feeding.

### **Things you can do to FIGHT THE MOSQUITO BITE**

→Take a very hard look at areas around the outside of your home that could breed mosquitoes.

→Drain outside items that hold water (tires, cans, etc.)

→Cover wading pools, boats and rain barrels when not in use

→Keep rain gutters clean

→Don't over water plants and lawns

→Change water in pet bowls and birdbaths often (at least weekly).

Look for breeding areas in your neighborhood, such as abandoned pools; drainage ditches holding water, or other items that will hold water. Report these problem areas so they can be corrected, drained, or treated for mosquitoes.

*The government is like a baby's alimentary canal, with a happy appetite at one end and no responsibility at the other.*

*Ronald Reagan*

**HNWA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

You do not need to own your home to join! To become a member of the HNWA costs a household \$12.00 per year payable on September 1. Dues will be prorated at \$1.00 per month, starting in September for \$12.00 and ending in August for \$1.00. Members joining in July or August will receive 14 or 13 months membership for \$12.00.

\_\_\_ YES, please renew my membership  
 \_\_\_ YES, please register my household as a member of the HNWA.  
 \_\_\_ YES, I would like to volunteer for \_\_\_\_\_ (You do not have to volunteer to be a member.)  
 \*\*\*Is anyone in your household dependent on electricity for health reasons? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of persons in household \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (Optional – for periodic news updates - will  
 Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ not be shared outside of HNWA)  
 Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to the HNWA and send to:  
**HARTSDEL NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION, PO BOX 15071, DEL CITY, OK 73155-5071**

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**THINGS MY PARENTS TAUGHT**

**To appreciate a job well done.** “If you’re going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning.”  
**Religion.** “You better pray that will come out of the carpet.”  
**Time Travel.** “If you don’t straighten up, I’m going to knock you into the middle of next week!”  
**Logic.** “Because I said so, that’s why.”  
**More logic.** “If you fall out of that swing and break your neck, you’re not going to the store with me.”  
**Foresight.** “Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you’re in an accident.”

**Irony.** “Keep crying, and I’ll give you something to cry about.”  
**Contortionism.** “Will you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!”  
**Stamina.** “You’ll set there until all that spinach is gone.”  
**Hypocrisy.** “If I told you once, I’ve told you a million times. Don’t exaggerate!”  
**Circle of Life.** “I brought you into this world, and I can take you out.”  
**Behavior Modification.** “Stop acting like your father!”  
**Anticipation.** “Just wait until we get home!”  
**Receiving.** “You are going to get it when you get home!”

**ESP.** “Put your sweater on. Don’t you think I know when you are cold?”  
**Humor.** “When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don’t come running to me.”  
**How to become an adult.** “If you don’t eat your vegetables, you’ll never grow up.”  
**Roots.** “Shut that door behind you. Do you think you were born in a barn?”  
**Genetics.** “You’re just like your father.”  
**Wisdom.** “When you get to be my age, you’ll understand.”  
**Weather.** “This room of yours looks as if a tornado went through it.”  
**Osmosis.** “Shut your mouth and eat your supper.”  
**Justice.** “One day you’ll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you.”