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Dates to remember:
DANWA General Meeting— Calvary Christian Church in the annex just north of the church, 3900 Epperly Dr. at 7:00 pm, second Monday of the month.

CERT General Training Meeting, at 7:00 pm, Del City Community Center, second Tuesday of the month.

Greetings Friends and Neighbors,

The Saturday prior to February's DANWA meeting, I put out six realtor size signs reminding the neighborhood of the upcoming happening. We already had these signs buried in our storage unit and it was apparent they hadn't been used for quite a while. Several who attended that meeting confirmed our hope that they had seen the signs and they were a helpful reminder. We did by the way have a great turn-out, including some old friends we hadn't seen there for a while and some new friends we hope will return. Since the signs did seem to have a positive impact, we are already looking at acquiring more.

Not only is DANWA looking for ways to increase attendance at our meetings, but also ways to increase general membership, which we have seen on the decline for the past several years. We have tried explaining various ways being a part of the DANWA family can be of benefit to you and the community, which are all valid. Now we are taking a different approach, thus the "Win a new TV" give-a-way. Even if you don't win the TV, it's still a great deal.

Quote from Guillaume Apollinaire:

"Now and then it's good to pause in our pursuit of happiness and just be happy".

May the Lord bless you and yours. See you March 13th 7 pm.

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Spring Bulk Trash pick up is scheduled to be the week of May 31st

Are You Ready to WIN A New TV ?

DANWA is giving a new 40 / 43-inch HD TV Valued at over \$ 200.00!

To be eligible, your 2023 DANWA membership form must be filled out and received along with your \$12.00 membership fee by April 30, 2023. The winning DANWA household name will be drawn at the May 8th meeting.

The winner does **NOT** need to be present to win, but wouldn't that be exciting.

As a matter of clarity, DANWA members do not have to be homeowners. That means, if you are renting, you are welcome to be a member of DANWA.

DANWA Officers and all member businesses are not eligible to win.



We could use YOUR HELP!! We need "block captains" for the following areas:

Bismarc Dr. (27)
from Montclair to Montrose

Contact David Ellison 405-641-2193

If you can spare some time, we can use block captains to help deliver the DANWA newsletter. Some blocks only have 20 homes to deliver to, most are less than 25 homes. If you can help with any of these please contact any of the District Captains above. It takes me about 15 minutes to deliver 23 and I even get a little exercise.

You don't have to be a member to volunteer to deliver the newsletters.

This came out too late for the February newsletter but the fact remains—**SCAMMERS ARE STILL AT IT** even in the old time ways.

It may be no coincidence that last month, Social Security recipients are beginning to see a big increase in their benefits and is precisely when scammers have dusted off a couple of old Social Security scams.

All across the country, seniors have reported receiving letters from someone who claims to be from the Social Security Administration (SSA), informing them their Social Security number will be suspended within 24 hours.

The reasons for the suspension vary. Residents of Eastern Pennsylvania say the letters cite "fraudulent activity" associated with the number. One version of the letter claims the recipient's Social Security number is associated with \$14 million in fraud.

When WGAL-TV in Lancaster, Pa., examined one of the letters, a few things were immediately obvious. For starters, the letter wasn't addressed to anyone. Also, the date was in the European format, with the day before the month.

Of course, the biggest tip-off of all is the fact that your Social Security number is never suspended for any reason. The object of the scam is to extract money from the victim, as well as their personal information.



DANWA Area Crime Statistics

December 2022

Prowler = 0 (0) [0] {0}

Vandalism = 1 (0) [3] {8}

43xx SE 43rd St. 12/19/2022 09:45

Larceny = 3 (2) [0] {15}

45xx Brentco (Business) 12/02/2022 16:47
55xx SE 29th St. (Business) 12/02/2022 23:14
47xx Loch Ln. (Gated) 12/06/2022 09:20

Residential Burglary = 0 (0) [0] {4}

Robbery/Extortion = 0 (0) [1] {1}

Stolen Vehicle = 1 (0) [1] {9}

47xx Del Aire 12/04/2022 07:24

Auto Burglary = 0 (1) [1] {6}

Burglary of Business = 0 (1) [2] {1}

X = Current Month

() = Prior month counts

[] = Same month prior year

{ } = Del City wide counts for same period

Phone calls and texts

In Montgomery, Ala., seniors have also reported receiving fake communications, purporting to be from SSA. Consumer advocates suggest the motive is to steal money as well as the victim's Social Security number. Most of the communications are in the form of texts or phone calls.

"We've been hearing reports from folks who have been receiving phone calls or text messages purporting to be from the Social Security Administration," Jamie Harding with AARP Alabama.

Harding believes there is a strong connection between the increase in Social Security benefits that began last month and the uptick in Social Security scams. The monthly benefit payment is increasing 8.7%, the largest increase in four decades.

"They can look at demographic data around the country, look for pockets of population where it's more likely that folks are over 65, and then just basically start spraying that area with robocalls."

LOOK FOR MISPELLED WORDS as another flag of fraud.



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NOTICE

You will notice in this months newsletter the yearly application for Del Aire Neighborhood Watch Association membership renewal. Your membership is greatly appreciated. February and March is when our yearly membership drive occurs and we hope to keep you as a member or gain you as a new member. Please take a few moments and provide the information listed to include emergency information as quickly as you can. **Be advised all information is confidential and not used in any way except to contact you as needed in case of emergency.**

Note that **all cases listed below** are actual and have occurred within the Del City neighborhood watch areas. Respectfully, DANWA

Do you know what your \$12.00 a year DANWA membership (\$1.00 a month) actually does for you?

It helps the patrollers notify, locate, contact, and watch for:

- Seeing someone in a back yard or elsewhere they aren't supposed to be, the patroller can contact you and or the police.
- Maybe notice water running out of the house or garage due to a broken water pipe.
- Possibly spot a strange light (say a flashlight) moving around within a house when nobody is supposed to be there; that is the owner of the residence is gone on vacation or the house is VACANT.
- Possibly an open garage door; it's dark around the residence and nobody answers that home phone, nobody answers their emergency phone number—DANWA calls the police.
- Maybe an alarm is sounding and DANWA assists by notifying the police and continues to watch the house while waiting for the police to arrive and assists the police with an emergency number to call.
- Possibly a dome light remains illuminated in your vehicle and you aren't aware of it.
- Your car door's open and everything else is dark—nobody is around.
- Elderly might live alone and newspapers or mail start piling up—need to contact someone to see if the occupant of the residence is okay or needs attention.
- You go on vacation—DANWA patrollers make extra attempts and safety measures to watch the house.
- There might be a lost of stray animal or even a child—DANWA can help watch for them.
- Many times a child or elderly person gets lost—DANWA helps watch for them, no matter what neighborhood they are in.

Whether you are a member or not, your eyes are valuable to contact the police in situations such as these.

Be cautious and informed of what to do.



Regarding

the membership application, please fill this form as complete as possible. If you visit the information on page three, wouldn't you want to know if your hot water tank had developed a leak and water was running out of the garage and a patroller noticed it but didn't have any phone numbers to notify you or you didn't have an emergency contact that we could call that knew another way of getting hold of you?

Patrolling, Volunteering

as a reminder, none of our officers, patrollers, committee members are paid for anything they do for DANWA, everything is strictly volunteer. No reimbursement for gas or vehicle maintenance, no reimbursement for the use of their phone while patrolling, no reimbursement for eating while patrolling. **Because you don't see blinkies running around does not mean we aren't watching!** **Even if you aren't a member, be a good citizen if you see something that is unusual and call the police!**

WINTER

is still not over, those cold days are still around the corner. Double check those outdoor spigots and make sure your hose is not attached during a freeze, double check your vehicle's antifreeze that it is in the safe range. Check your tires and tire pressure for proper inflation, especially during snow days. And finally, place an extra blanket in the back seat or trunk of the car just in case you get stranded that blanket will help keep you warm till help arrives.

Membership

The Del Aire Neighborhood Watch Association would like to take this opportunity to FIRST thank you for becoming a member, SECOND thank you if you are on a committee, and THIRD a **special thank you** for those who have sent in their dues plus extra amounts over and above the \$12.00.

!!!!!!!!!! Statistics !!!!!!!!!!!

Thanks to James Standfill for providing the following yearly comparison of 2009 and 2022 to demonstrate how crime has changed with the help of the neighborhood watch programs and the increase of police presence. The question is—can you see the difference and importance of your membership and presence in the neighborhood watch program is?

	2009 Year Total	2014 Year Total	2018 Year Total	2022 Year Total
Prowler	14	18	8	0
Vandalism	90	22	27	1
Larceny	68	52	57	3
Residential Burglary	71	38	30	0
Robbery/Extortion	6	6	5	0
Stolen Vehicle	24	17	27	1
Auto Burglary	50	41	33	0
Burglary of Business	0	1	1	0

Local trash pickup regarding your trash containers and extra bags

I see it happen every week somewhere along my travels, the trash cans need to be separated so the driver can get the claws between the bins to pick it up. If you have extra trash bags of leaves for instance, leave room for the claws to pick the containers up, generally the driver will get out and work with the extra bags.

Phone scammers paradise (similar occurrences happen by email)

Scams occur every day and while the circumstances may differ, nearly all schemes have common threads that indicate you are about to be scammed. These just touch the surface but beware!!!

You are asked to confirm a large order — when you haven't ordered anything.

Connecting two unconnected entities — the caller says he can connect you with the fraud department at your bank.

Asked to help police solve a crime — fake police officer attempts to build credibility by providing fictitious name and badge number.

The scammer stays on the line — while you go to the bank, he doesn't want to lose connection with you as he could if you hung up.

Told to buy gift cards — while still on the line instructs you to purchase gift cards with the money you just withdrew from the bank.

Personally the use of caller ID is a benefit. If I don't recognize the number I don't answer, second if it is important they will leave a message on voice mail, same with home phone answering machines, they can leave a message, third if no message is left I google the number and if it comes up suspicious or not showing a legitimate business, I block that number. Over the years I have blocked over 700 numbers. Can you imagine if I would answer those calls.....