



Crime Watch Newsletter

January 2012

Crime Watch 1109: www.universityterracecrimewatch.com

Hotline: 214.967.5180

University Terrace Crimewatch Meeting – February 9, 2012!

Please join us for our first 2012 Crime watch meeting to be held on Thursday, February 9th from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Wilshire Baptist Church in the James Gallery atrium located at 4316 Abrams Road, Dallas, TX 75214. We are delighted that our friends at Wilshire Baptist are allowing us to use their facilities as Ridgewood Recreational Center remains under construction. We plan to have two additional meetings this year at Ridgewood Rec. Center, dates forthcoming.

Our guest speakers will be our Neighborhood Policing Officers, Vana Hammond-Powell and/or Phil Gordon from Dallas Police NE Division. Our primary topic will be a recap of the incidents in 2011 and prevention suggestions for 2012.

Do We Get It?

UTCW – 2011 Crime Update

YES, we do! We're off to a fresh start in 2012 with our neighborhood meetings being scheduled (Ridgewood Rec. Ctr. opening mid February – YAY!), a couple of new team members and our message is clear for 2012!

- ◆ Get educated – talk with your block captain or check out our website
- ◆ Get involved – come to our meetings, volunteer for our VIP programs or let us hear from you on your best safety tip!
- ◆ Get proactive – Take all items out of your car. Add necessary exterior lighting and if have a vehicle wanted on the Top Stolen List (table on the right) – put it in the garage! Did you know you can get a free home security inspection by Dallas PD?

Hot List – Top Stolen Vehicles in Texas 2011

1	Chevrolet Pickup(Full Size)	1999
2	Dodge Ram	2004
3	Ford F250 Series/Pickup	2006
4	Ford F150 Series/Pickup	1997
5	Honda Civic	2000
6	Honda Accord	1996
7	Ford F350 Series/Pickup	2006
8	Chevrolet Tahoe	2004
9	Ford Explorer	2002
10	Toyota Camry	2007

By: The National Insurance Crime Bureau

We closed 2011 with 50 incidents, 14 of those occurred on Northwest Highway and 5 were domestic in nature, leaving us with 31 incidents in the neighborhood. The bulk of our incidents were: 8 auto thefts, 6 residential burglaries, 6 BMVs (burglary of a motor vehicle). We will discuss these incidents at our meeting in February and we encourage you to attend.

Our areas of focus continue to be in:
UUMVs/Car Thefts, Home Burglaries and Thefts

We need your committed attention to help us reduce our incidents. Make sure that you take all the necessary precautions to secure your home, vehicles and personal property.



UTCW Incidents: When and where do they occur?

- First Watch (1) 12:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.
- Second Watch (2) 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Third Watch (3) 4:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.

Stats by Watch	No. of incidents by Watch
1	21
BUCKNELL DR	1
TRAMMEL DR	1
CLEMSON DR	6
LEHIGH DR	1
ROCKHURST DR	1
RUTGERS DR	1
HAVERFORD DR	4
BENNINGTON DR	5
WAKE FORREST DR	1
2	5
HAVERFORD DR	2
WAKE FORREST DR	2
SYRACUSE	2
3	2
LEHIGH DR	1
MIDDLEBURY DR	1
UNKNOWN	3
RUTGERS DR	2
HAVERFORD DR	1
Grand Total	31

UTCW Volunteers

What program do we have here in University Terrace? We have a Volunteers In Patrol Group, which is comprised of 8 active members who have attended a Dallas Police held training and offering their own vehicle for use of patrol in our area and volunteer their time at no cost to us. We appreciate all of you who have patrolled in our area, past and present years. We invite anyone in our neighborhood to join this team and if you're interested in learning more about this program, please contact us at university_terrace@yahoo.com.

A more formal description is below:

Volunteers In Patrol (VIP) is a non-confrontational neighborhood patrol program designed to reduce crime through increased cooperation between citizens and police. Volunteers donate time to patrol their neighborhood by driving their own vehicles or vehicles provided by their community organization. They are trained by the Dallas Police Department to observe, recognize and report suspicious and criminal activity in their neighborhood.

The VIP programs allow citizens to take an active role in crime prevention by acting as the eyes and ears of the police department. It builds camaraderie between the residents of the neighborhood by creating a safer environment and better quality of life. It also sends a message that the neighborhood is aware, alert and will not tolerate criminal activity.

University Terrace #1109-Contribution Form/January 2012

Please make checks payable to University Terrace Crime Watch #1109

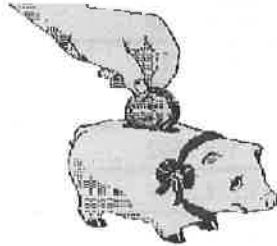
Name: _____ Amount: _____ Check : _____ Cash: _____
 Address: _____ Phone: _____

Send to: University Terrace Crime Watch #1109, P.O. Box 600493, Dallas, TX 75360

UTCW 2011 Expenses

Please note that our organization is funded solely on donations. We're entering our 15th year in operation. We thank everyone who has donated to our Crimewatch Group efforts. To the right is a summary of the Crimewatch group's expenses for 2011.

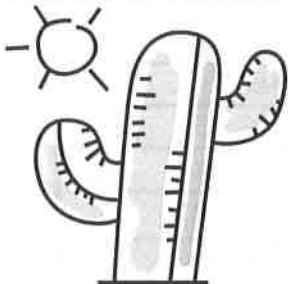
Balance of Funds as of 01.11.12: \$579



Actual Expenses:

Item	Expenses
Recurring Items	
Printing	\$160
Website	\$155
Post Office Box	\$60
Hotline	\$155
Fall Party	\$450
Fall Party Bounce House	\$95
Misc. Items	\$74
Subtotal	\$1110
One-Time Item	
Security Camera*	\$179
Total	\$1,289

*Security Camera paid for by a specific donation



Water Wise!

The City of Dallas has notified us of their 1st stage of water restrictions for 2012. Many of the local meteorologists and climatologists have indicated that 2012 will follow last year's drought season. The 1st stage consists of all outdoor watering being restricted to a schedule (below). Additionally the first violation will result in a warning and then fines can range from \$250 to \$2000.00. To learn more visit our website at: www.universityterracecrimewatch.com or www.dallascityhall.com

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Stage 1 Watering Schedule Dallas Drought Contingency Plan	Watering Days Allowed
Last Digit of Address	Watering Days Allowed
0,2,4,6 or 8 (even numbers)	Sundays and Thursdays
1,3,5,7 or 9 (odd numbers)	Saturdays and Wednesdays

If you are not receiving your e-alerts then please check your spam box.



University Terrace Crime Watch Team Roster 2012

Name	Roll	Home Address	Block	Phone
Albert, Karen	Block Captain	6849 Trammell	7200-7300	214.369.4254
Barthelemy, Suzanne	Block Captain	7204 Bucknell	7200-7300	214.503.1740
Bowles, Glenda	Block Captain	6932 Wake Forrest	6900-7200	214.349.9141
Burlou, Joanne	Co-Captain	7212 Bucknell	7200-7300	214.450.4775
Brewer, Sue	Block Captain	7212 Wake Forrest	7200-7300	214.850.1365
Cahill, Carole	Block Captain	7319 Rockhurst	7200-7300	214.503.1715
Crumley, Ed	Block Captain	7307 Syracuse	7200-7300	214.232.2318
Doing, Pat	Block Captain	7335 Clemson	7200-7300	214.348.1502
Engelkin, Rhonda	Co-Captain	6904 Wake Forrest	6900-7200	214.221.2501
Gonzales, Tracey	Block Captain	7015 Clemson	6900-7135	214.349.4944
Grau, Eve	Captain	7330 Bucknell 7000-7200 (Bennington)		214-348-4796
Haney, Erin	Co-Captain	7222 Wake Forrest	7200-7300	214.532.0703
Johnson, Willa	Block Captain	7230 Lehigh	7100-7300	214-343-0666
Lewis, Jack	Block Captain	7230 Haverford	7200-7300	214.558.0412
Linker, Randy	Block Captain	7151 Bucknell	7039-7151	214.340.0536
Johnson, Cacky	Block Captain	7031 Bucknell	6900-7035	214-349-3236
Johnson, David	Co-Captain	7031 Bucknell	6900-7035	214-349-3236
Poage-Dickson, Rheagan	Block Captain	7306 Bennington	7200-7300	214.454.4481
Russell, Alison	Co-Captain	7220 Syracuse	7200-7300	214.348.5034
Schucany, Carol	Captain	7109 Haverford	7000-7200	214.348.9184
Stevenson, Linda	Block Captain	7206 Clemson	7200-7300	stevenson896@hotmail.com
Weaver Sylvia	Chairperson	6920 Clemson		214.341.8743
Wegener, Laura	Block Captain	7305 Rutgers	7200-7300	214.221.7933

Exercise & Safety 2012

New Year's resolutions are here and we see many of you walking, biking, running, etc...and to keep everyone safe here are some safety tips to consider:

- ◆ If you use an iPod or a device to hear music check your volume – can you hear traffic coming or perhaps a distress call from a neighbor?
- ◆ If you exercise after dark, make sure to wear reflective clothing and/or add a light to your bike.
- ◆ Please make sure not to walk or run in the middle of the street, cyclists need to adhere to all traffic laws.
- ◆ Run against traffic – make sure you can see approaching vehicles.
- ◆ Make sure to take your cell phone in case there is an emergency!



To: Residents!
From: University Terrace Crimewatch Team
Date: January 20, 2012
Re: Crime Alert - BMVs/Theft/Rifled Through Vehicles

As we have seen from the incidents we experienced over the last couple of months, we've had our fair share of BMVs (burglary of motor vehicles), rifled through cars and miscellaneous thefts to name a few in 2011. We would like to inform you that we are working diligently with the NE Dallas Police and our NPOs (Neighborhood Policing Officers) on a homeless issue (two individuals/camp) that was brought to our attention under the Trammel Bridge.

It is important to be aware of this homeless issue and make sure that your vehicles are locked and homes are secured to include front and back gates. If you see suspicious activity/persons, **please call 911** which is the protocol we should always follow. We are working collectively with the Dallas Police NE Division to resolve this issue and have these individuals removed.

We also want to share some other information we received from our neighbors at Merriman Park/University Manor regarding an issue with a suspicious person seen in their area. Information on this suspicious person Darius Portley can be seen on the back of this flyer.

If you have any questions, please contact your block captain or leave a message on the Crimewatch hotline [214.967.5180] or email us at university_terracecrimewatch@yahoo.com.

At right, is a picture of the homeless person's belongings under the bridge.

Thank you for your attention to this matter!

University Terrace Crimewatch



----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "mpumlist@lists.mpum.com" <mpumlist@lists.mpum.com>

To: mpumlist@lists.mpum.com

Sent: Friday, December 2, 2011 12:41 PM

Subject: [Mpumlist] Be On the Lookout

We have a situation with a known burglar, Darius Portley, in our neighborhood and we need all of you to keep your eyes open and call 911 immediately if you see him or if you think you see him. See his picture below:



Darius Portley was arrested for two separate burglaries in our neighborhood last year and in each case spent some amount of time in jail for each of those two offenses. We recently had a burglary on Walling which was in one of the same houses Darius burglarized last year. This time he was not caught, and while it cannot be proven to be Darius, there is strong indication that he was the one responsible for this break-in yet again.

This morning, our ENP Officer Phil Gordon stopped a young African American male walking down the middle of Walling at approximately where Winchester intersects Walling. It turned out to be Darius Portley. Our ENP officer issued him a ticket for walking down the middle of the street, which he most likely will not pay. This will offer a way to track him through the system and the opportunity to arrest him later for an outstanding warrant should he be found in our neighborhood again.

Last year the Walling burglary was broken up while in progress and Darius Portley was arrested and taken to jail. Later, again last year, he broke into another house on Arboreal – Darius Portley was caught again. You might recall the Arboreal burglary because that arrest was as a result of our VIP patroller, Stephen Arruda, and our ENP Officer Phil Gordon working together to stop the burglary in progress. In fact our ENP Officer apprehended Darius after a foot chase down Arboreal.

What do we know about Darius? He lives in Oak Cliff, uses the DART rail to various neighborhoods such as ours. Since he was arrested here last year, he has acquired a tattoo of a star on his right cheek that is about 1" in diameter. He has absolutely no reason to be in or around our neighborhood and we all need to all watch closely for any sign of him. If you have a neighbor without email, make sure you print a copy of this email to further spread the word.

He is definitely on the NE DPD Division's radar and he is being watched. But your help is needed - the more eyes we have the better!!

Here is a copy of Darius Portley's jail record after he was caught burglarizing the Arboreal home last year. Again, the picture below does not show the star tattoo he has since acquired so look for that too as a distinguishing mark. Most of all, please call 911 if there is any doubt in your mind at all. Do not hesitate at all!! Don't be concerned if it turns out to be a false alarm because there are other times your call could be instrumental in apprehending this criminal before he is able to break into anymore homes in our neighborhood.

Name PORTLEY, DARIUS

Address DALLAS, TX

Citizenship NONE

Race Black

Sex Male

DOB 1991-12-08

Attorney Name

Jail Location Decker

Tank Location 06-14

Bookin Number 10900157

Book in Date 2010-06-04 09:44 AM

Criminal
Background

Record Detail

Charge	BURGLARY OF HABITATION
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Bond Amount 0.00

Warrant Number F1056329

Case Number F1056329

Magistrate

Bond Forfeiture N

Bond Held

Bond Remark

Total Bond Amount: 0.00 as of 2010-06-07 13:07.859