



Crime Watch Newsletter

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CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS

Nowadays many companies have undergone security breaches. Please be aware you may be affected if you perform online purchases or have online accounts. Neiman Marcus, Target, Home Depot and JPMorgan Chase are just several companies who have had security breaches, in the last several years.



How may you be affected? There are several types of breaches:

Phishing – most common attack and typically can be via an email attachment. These types of attacks are to gain personal information and have the user surrender personal information.

Spear Phishing – this type of attack is usually from a direct source and is disguised as an official email from an individual or business. The sender hopes to gain access to the recipient’s account and many times it often is accompanied with a sense of urgency. These types of emails may not be personalized which is a dead giveaway that it’s a SCAM. Delete these emails ASAP!

Voice Phishing – this type of attack comes from a live person with the hopes to have the recipient surrender personal information or to take action by saying:

- “I work for Microsoft and have identified that you have Windows problems” and refers to one’s computer warranty stating it has expired. The attempt is to provide credit card information and any other personal information. etc.
- IRS call stating they owe the IRS money. They should NOT call the number provided in the message. Often an attempt to get residents to call in and "verify" their information. Please get updated information on reported IRS scams on the link below:

<https://www.irs.gov/uac/IRS-Urges-Public-to-Stay-Alert-for-Scam-Phone-Calls>



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Crime Update!

University Terrace Crime Watch Team wants to congratulate each diligent neighbor for doing your part in 2015 and for supporting our crime prevention efforts. We are happy to report 2015 ended with a total of **13 incidents** for our reporting area, which is a 32% reduction vs. 2014 and 55% reduction as compared to 2013. CONGRATS!

Our main message is to report all crime incidents to 911. We have always maintained having a strong community and a safe one takes all of us working together. All of us reporting incidents and sharing with our community builds the power of knowledge for each resident. It's also important to note another key component of a safe community is being a good neighbor, take time to know your neighbor this year!

First Watch (1) 12 a.m. to 8 am
Second Watch (2) 8 am to 4pm
Third Watch (3) 4pm to 12 am

Statistics for 2015	Number of Incidents
1 Watch	4
BENNINGTON DR	1
BMV	
CLEMSON DR	1
BMV	
HVERFORD DR	1
BMV	
SYRACUSE DR	1
BMV	
2 Watch	2
BUCKNELL DR	2
THEFT	
FOUND PROPERTY	
3 Watch	5
CLEMSON DR	1
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/ VANDALISM	
ROCKHURST DR	2
BURGLARY	
RUTGERS DR	1
FRAUD	
SYRACUSE DR	1
BMV	
U (Unknown Watch)	2
BENNINGTON DR	1
BURGLARY	
RUTGERS DR	1
BURGLARY	
Grand Total	13

Statistics for 2014	Number of Incidents
1 Watch	4
BENNINGTON DR	1
BURGLARY	
CLEMSON DR	1
ASSAULT	
SYRACUSE DR	2
BMV	
UUMV	
2 Watch	7
BUCKNELL DR	1
THEFT	
CLEMSON DR	2
ACCIDENTAL INJURY - PUBLIC PROPERTY	
THEFT	
RUTGERS	4
BURGLARY	
THEFT	
3 Watch	5
BUCKNELL DR	2
ASSAULT	
THEFT	
WAKEFORREST DR	1
ASSAULT	
HVERFORD	2
BMV	
Criminal Mischief	
U - Unknown Watch	3
BENNINGTON DR	1
THEFT	
BUCKNELL DR	1
BURGLARY	
ROCKHURST DR	1
THEFT	
Grand Total	19

Statistics for 2013	Count
1 Watch	16
BENNINGTON DR	1
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/ VANDALISM	
CLEMSON DR	5
BURGLARY	
FOUND PROPERTY	
THEFT	
HVERFORD DR	4
AUTO THEFT-UUMV	
THEFT	
LEHIGH DR	1
THEFT	
ROCKHURST DR	1
THEFT	
SYRACUSE DR	2
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/ VANDALISM	
THEFT	
WAKE FORREST DR	2
BURGLARY	
THEFT	
2 Watch	8
BUCKNELL DR	2
BURGLARY	
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/ VANDALISM	
CLEMSON DR	3
ANIMAL BITES	
FOUND PROPERTY	
OTHER OFFENSES	
HVERFORD DR	1
THEFT	
LEHIGH DR	1
OTHER OFFENSES	
WAKE FORREST DR	1
BURGLARY	
3 Watch	4
BUCKNELL DR	1
AUTO THEFT-UUMV	
CLEMSON DR	1
BURGLARY	
HVERFORD DR	1
THEFT	
TRAMMEL DR	1
ASSAULT	
Unknown	1
HVERFORD DR	1
THEFT	
Grand Total	29

MESSAGE FROM CHIEF OF POLICE DAVID BROWN

Chief of Police David O. Brown thanks the hard working officers and the supportive citizens for the largest crime reduction in Dallas' history, "It's not just the absence of crime, it's the presence of justice." Please check out these links—<https://youtu.be/a8ZcrPi05V8> or <http://dpdbeat.com/2016/01/12/a-thank-you-message-from-chief-david-o-brown/>

2015: UNPRECEDENTED 12TH CONSECUTIVE YEAR OF CRIME REDUCTION

2004-2015, A 53% CRIME REDUCTION: THE LARGEST CRIME REDUCTION IN THE CITY'S HISTORY, THE LOWEST OF ANY LARGE TEXAS CITY, AND THE LOWEST OF ANY BIG CITY IN THE COUNTRY

2015, 4TH LOWEST MURDER RATE IN OVER 86 YEARS

2014, 2ND LOWEST MURDER RATE

2011, 5TH LOWEST MURDER RATE

2013, 6TH LOWEST MURDER RATE

2010, 10TH LOWEST MURDER RATE

2015, A 45% REDUCTION IN POLICE-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS

2015, A 67 % PERCENT REDUCTION IN EXCESSIVE FORCE COMPLAINTS

OVERALL CRIME RATE AT 50 YEAR LOW

VIOLENT CRIME RATE AT 40 YEAR LOW

SAVE THE DATE! CORRECTION

2016 University Terrace Crime Watch Party!

We are already preparing for our annual party. The party has always been held at the corner of Bennington/Middlebury but this year we've made a location change. This year the party is scheduled for **April 16th from ~~1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.~~ at Ridgewood/Belcher Rec. Center.**

We are all excited and will be asking help from the Mom's Group and residents for volunteers to help with the party! We need your help feel free to contact university_terrace@yahoo.com.

Party Details

Date: Saturday, April 16th

Time: 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: Ridgewood/Belcher Rec. Center

MOM'S GROUP!

University Terrace has a great Mom's Group. They organized the Halloween and 4th of July Celebration, if you're interested in learning more please contact Lee Sizer at lee.sizer@gmail.com and get on their e-mail list. Their next social event is scheduled for February 21st from 3pm to 5pm and will be held at the Spellicy Home at 7117 Wake Forrest. . All neighbors and children welcome.

HAVERFORD STOP SIGN

Last year we looked at ways to help keep our residents safe and in speaking with many of the families, the feedback we received was the traffic on Trammel had increased. There is no doubt when there is an issue on Northwest Highway we see an increase in traffic and speeders. We have received a petition from the city which is required when an installation of a stop sign is requested. We will keep you posted on this progress and in the meantime, you will see some of us go door-to-door asking for signatures.

KEEP YOUR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION SAFE!

Do's and Don'ts

Instead of clicking a link in an unsolicited email, go to the company's webpage

- Hover over a link to confirm the target before clicking on it
- Be careful when opening email attachments if you don't recognize the sender
- Don't provide personal information if you did not initiate the contact or don't know the person requesting it
- **Question** and/or **report** any suspicious activity
- Always use strong passwords or PINs
- Don't publish or post private information (test: would you tell a stranger?)
- Always check for proper privacy and security settings
- Keep software and security software (per device and app) up-to-date
- Don't use "auto-fill" for passwords
- Disable "3rd party cookies" in all browsers
- Be wary of "location services", which is in a option on most smartphones
- Connect only with people you personally know and trust
- Understand – more people than you realize see what you post

TIP OF THE MONTH!

Call the Hotline!

214.967.5180 [24-7]

Or visit our website:

universityterracecrimewatch.com

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