



SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY

One injured child is one too many!



Please be aware that OKC schools start **August 5th**
 Other area schools start on **August 19th**

BACK TO SCHOOL BUS SAFETY TIPS:



- Motorists coming to a school bus from **EITHER** direction **MUST STOP** when the bus displays flashing red warning lights and extends the stop signal arm. These signals show that children are getting on or off the school bus.
- Vehicles may not pass until the flashing red lights and signals are turned off.
- **NEVER** pass a school bus when the flashing red warning lights are on and the stop signal arm is extended. This is illegal and can have tragic results.
- Violation of these laws can result in a citation and fine. In many places, school bus drivers can report passing vehicles!

INFORMATION FOR PET OWNERS

Warr Acres requires a city license for all dogs and cats in the City. The cost is \$5.00 for a new license and \$2.50 for a renewal. This license is good for a calendar year, and must be renewed every January. This license may be obtained at the Police Department and requires certification of rabies vaccination by a licensed veterinarian with the last twelve months.

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOR OFFERS UPWARD SOCCER

Boys and girls, ages 4 years through 6th grade are now being registered for UPWARD soccer. All games will take place on Saturday mornings at the church - 5600 NW 63rd, starting Saturday, August 24th and ending November 9th. Children will discover and build athletic skills, values, self-confidence and a life-long love of the game. There will be a one hour practice session during the week and a one hour game on Saturday.



The four-year-olds and kindergarteners practice **AND** play on Saturday.

The cost is \$75.00 if paid by August 10th and \$85.00 after that. A short skill evaluation is required. The fee includes shorts, shirt and socks. Please contact Elizabeth at 721-5241 or 620-1381 or visit www.cotsokc.org for more information on this program.

Helpful Phone Numbers

City Hall	789-2892
Fax	787-5432
Police Department	789-3329
Fire Department	789-5912
Animal Control	789-9025
Municipal Court	495-3032
Inspections & Permits	789-2892
Sanitation Department	491-6474
Streets & Parks	787-1404
Sewer Department	491-6478
Community Center	789-9892
Putnam City Schools	495-5200

City Council Members

Mayor

Patrick Woolley 409-4944

Ward 1

Cathy Maxey
722-1045

Ward 3

Roger Godwin
473-2881

James Mickley
721-7959

Bill McClure
787-5374

Ward 2

Stephen Fuhrman
537-5415

Ward 4

Jan Blake
550-1605

Stewart Shapiro
721-8230

Donnie Ryan

Storm Shelters

Storm shelters are available at the following locations for citizens who are away from home when severe weather threatens the City of Warr Acres.

Cherokee Hills Park

NW 67th & Cherokee

Grandma Lily's Park

NW 40th West of MacArthur

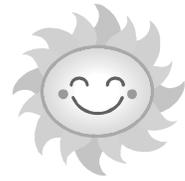
City Hall

5930 NW 49th

Recycling

Recycling dumpsters are available at Dorothy Cavener Park, in the area of NW 52nd and Hammond Avenue on the first Saturday (9-3) and Sunday (1-3) of each month. Recycling includes plastic, glass, aluminum and tin cans. Closed if temperature is over 95°F.

SAFETY TIPS FOR HOT DAYS OF SUMMER



1. Hydrate frequently; drink water before, during, and after outdoor activities.
2. Minimize time spent outside and take frequent breaks to cool off.
3. Plan laborious outdoor tasks for the cooler parts of the day.
4. Move to a cooler environment at the first signs of heat illness, which includes: headache, dizziness, nausea, muscle twitching/cramps, and dry, hot, flushed skin.
5. Check on the elderly neighbors and family daily.
6. Never leave a child or pet in a vehicle unattended.
7. Make certain pets have plenty of water and shade.
8. Seek medical attention for heat related incidents, calling 911 for an emergency.



THE WARR ACRES AND BETHANY POLICE departments have received several complaints about individuals posing as a utility worker or repairman and luring the homeowner outside the home under the pretense of explaining work about to take place. While the homeowner is outside, others burglarize the home.

The police believe these burglaries are being done by a band of traveling gypsies. They've used a number of ruses to get the homeowner outside including:

- Roof conditions
- Tree-trimming
- Burying cable lines

Oklahoma City police have stated that they believe this may be the same group behind a rash of home burglaries in their jurisdiction in January and February.

WHEN SOMEONE COMES TO YOUR DOOR claiming to be a representative of a utility company or repair service:

- 1) **DO NOT** volunteer any information about how many people are in the house. If they are there to burglarize, they will want to find out if you are the only one at home.
- 2) **ALWAYS** ask to see a badge. **ALL** OG&E employees have one. Contractors will not, but **ALWAYS CALL** OG&E at (405) 272-9741 to verify if they were sent by the utility company.
 - a) OG&E crews will have heavy machinery and large trucks with the company logo on them.
 - b) OG&E crews usually will do the work **WITHOUT** speaking to the homeowner at all. They will only knock if crews think a pet is in the yard they plan to occupy.
 - c) OG&E will usually notify the homeowner two weeks in advance if they're going to be in the area.
 - d) Tree-trimmers sent by OG&E are licensed arborists. They can go out and know what tree is a problem. They don't need the homeowner outside with them.
- 3) If you're truly uncomfortable, call the police.

BE AWARE. This group of scam artists tends to:

1. Drive nicer, newer model trucks that are usually well taken care of – often with nice rims.
2. Will park down the street and place orange cones around their vehicle.
3. Usually do jobs using multiple vehicles.
4. Usually are somewhat clean cut and are very smooth talkers.
5. Will wear standard work clothing, work boots, and hard hats.
6. Will sometimes speak to each other in their gypsy language.
7. Target elderly victims.
8. Will lure the homeowner out of the house usually into the backyard or off property.
9. Will occupy the homeowner with tasks such as holding their clipboard or holding a tape measure.
10. Sometimes have a small saddle hanging from the rearview mirror.