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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO THE ORGANIZATION!



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FALL MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 15, 2007 JEANNIE WOMACK PARK

Michael Jones commenced the meeting at 4:00pm. In attendance were: Teresa Jones, Betty Hughes, Arnel Allmagnò, Eric Childers, Joy Wisniewski, Louaida and Raymond Martin, Denise Costello, Crime Prevention Specialist, Andrea Luckenbach, POP (Problem-Oriented Policing) Officer, Elk Grove Police Department. Motion to waive the reading of the minute's was made and approved. Treasurer reported as of 8/31/07, our balance was \$516.81. Motion was made to accept and approve the report. Denise described her experience working for Sheriff's Department 15 years and over four years with Elk Grove. She is in charge of large community events providing education, coordinating all neighborhood watches and planning new projects. Denise's department includes three POP Officers and a Sergeant. Andrea Luckenbach, Pop Officer, She mediates problems and works on long term problems including problem neighbors, loud music, and teenage mischief. POP Officers can administer warnings, a 1st citation for \$100; 2nd citation for

\$200; 3rd is \$500 and the 4th step is misdemeanor arrest. Denise uses our Neighborhood Watch group as the model for all groups. She praised Michael and all of the members for our concern and participation. Michael adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m. respectfully submitted Teresa Jones, acting Secretary.



ELK GROVE POLICE DEPT.

Visit the website for "Crime Prevention Tips" documents and "Online Reporting" at the Elk Grove Police Department.
<http://www.elkgrovepd.org>

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Emergency	911
Emergency Cell Phone	714-5111
24 Hour Non-Emergency	714-5115
Traffic Concerns	478-8300
POP Officers	478-8112
TIP LINE	691-0411
Community Service Center	478-8100
Towing Enforcement	478-8150
Parking Enforcement	478-8160

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH COORDINATORS MEETING

The City of Elk Grove Police Department Neighborhood Watch Coordinators Quarterly meeting was held Tuesday, October 9, 2007. The following is a summary of the meeting. Denise Costello, Crime Prevention Specialist conducted the meeting. Denise introduced Jennifer Rubin, Public Education

Office, CSD Fire Department as the first guest speaker. Jennifer mentioned this is Fire Prevention week and October 9th is Fire Prevention Day. She talked about having a “home fire escape plan” and home fire safety to prevent property loss, death and injury. We have fire drills in schools, at work, but not at home. We need to know how to get out of the house and teach our kids to make sure they know how to get out. Have a working smoke alarm and have everyone pay attention to it. Jennifer discussed the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training for citizens during a disaster. You receive special training to enhance your ability to recognize, respond to, and recover from a major emergency or disaster situation.

Dan Emerson, new Youth Officer discussed his duties and responsibilities for Youth issues. There are over 60 thousand kids in Elk Grove. In the future, there will be a Youth POP Officer assigned to each Elk Grove City Beat area zone.

Judy Nichols, Dispatcher briefly discussed the Communication Unit and her role and duties. She recommended we put into our cell phone the E.G.P.D. Emergency 714-5111, and Non-Emergency 714-5115. The #911 goes to CHP, and then transfers to 714-5111. It takes longer for a response.

Dave Feinberg works with Denise. He discussed major changes on Crime Definitions on the EGPD Website. There is an increase in home and car burglaries and on the website a

Daily Watch Summary that includes the Day and Night Watch list of crimes is posted. Also, Dave discussed the Crime Mapping Tool. You can query areas of Elk Grove and view crime information. Crime is reported in a specific area. He demonstrated on the website ways to use a tool that includes multiple search options based on type of specific crime, location and date range.

Because of an increase in residential burglaries, we need to be vigilant and keep our homes safe. Visit the website, click on Get Involve! Then Crime Prevention For Your Home and obtain Crime Tips For Your Home files, e.g., Burglary Prevention, Home Security, etc.

NO WINTERFEST 2007

This year we will Not have a Christmas light and decoration contest or any Christmas Activity We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

- Wear bright or reflective clothing when walking, jogging or riding bicycles at night.
- Avoid the holiday rush – shop early and during the day!
- Remember to make your home secure and appear lived in.
- Don't place purchases in your trunk and then leave to purchase more. Move your car. There are criminals watching and can get into trunks quickly and easily.
- Use the buddy system – shop with a friend.

- Drive extra carefully and slowly when weather changes.



DON'T DRINK & DRIVE!

**HAVE A HAPPY & SAFE
HOLIDAY SEASON!**

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**A Happy
New
Year!**