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**WELCOME NEW
MEMBERS TO THE
COMMUNITY!**

The Laguna Greens Guardian is the official publication of Laguna Greens Neighborhood Watch, Inc. The next quarterly meeting will be scheduled in **June 21, 2008** at Jeanne Womack Park on Castlevue Drive.



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>

SPRING MEETING MINUTES MARCH 15, 2008 JEANNIE WOMACK PARK

Our Neighborhood Watch Meeting was held Saturday, March 15, 2008. Those in attendance were, Michael & Teresa Jones, Anabel Crouch, Betty Hughes, Arnel Alimagno, Louaida & Raymond Martin, James & Melody Scullary, Ronald Bland, and our Guest Speaker, Jim Miller. Michael brought the meeting to order at 4PM. Introductions were made by all.

Anabel read the minutes from 09/15/07 meeting. Teresa Jones made a motion to accept, Betty Hughes made a second. Unanimously accepted.

Teresa gave the treasurers report. Starting balance 02/01/07 = \$479.54, less expenses of \$33.03 (supplies), plus a donation of \$100.00 (Tim & Maureen Treichelt), ending balance of \$546.51. Anabel Crouch made a motion to

accept, Louaida Martin made a second. Unanimously accepted.

Michael spoke about home invasions, home security and reminded all that our Police Department has a Residential Security Check Application which is available to all residents, where upon filing; the Police Department Volunteers will provide security checks at our residence while we are out of town. It is a good service.

Spring Activity – Saturday, May 10, 11AM – 1PM. We will provide BBQ hot dogs, polish sausages and beverages. Neighbors are asked to bring pot luck sides or desert to share. Giggles will visit; provide face painting and balloon art for all. Great Fun!

Guest Speaker – Jim Miller, Youth Services Program Manager, City of Elk Grove.

Previously, Jim and his wife ran the Elk Grove Youth Center. Lyn Corbet is the Youth Services Program Manager, City of Sacramento. Both positions are new and both men are coordinating, pulling resources to create a better community for our Youth/Families/Grandparents. Jim is creating a Resource Manual of 31 (currently) non-profit services available to the community. Jim is planning to start a Police Activities League, PAL which is not just sports but focusing on intervention and prevention. The PAL Board is made up of Police, School District, and Community heads. Jim is also creating a Youth Master Plan Commission. He is looking for 10 – 15 adult volunteers. This commission is designed to reach a LARGE group of our youth and hopes to provide a multitude of programs including courses on etiquette, how to get a job,

nutrition, life skills, to name a few. The city is ever watchful of potential hazards for our youth and community. They are in the process of closing down a drug paraphernalia shop and a smoke house that have opened in our neighborhoods. The city has also been working with landlords in regards to problem tenants by recommending that their Section 8 status be removed and or revoked. Jim ended by extending an invitation to all citizens to get involved with our community, our youth. We can make a difference.

Michael adjourned the meeting at 4:45PM.

Respectfully submitted by,
Anabel Crouch
Secretary/Laguna Greens NW

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Emergency	911
Emergency from Cell Phone	714-5111
24 Hour Non-Emergency	714-5115
Traffic Concerns	478-8300
POP Officers	478-8110
Service Center	478-8100
Graffiti Hotline	478-8231
Parking Enforcement	478-8160

SPRINGTIME GET TOGETHER

The Spring Activity will take place Saturday, May 10, 2008, 11:00 am in Jeannie Womack Park. Hotdogs, polish sausages and beverages will be provided. Bring your favorite dish to share. Come and meet new people and acquaint yourself with friends. Giggles the clown will be entertaining. Watch for flyers.

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

DO NOT BECOME COMPLACENT

- Identify theft continues to be a threat. Shred documents.
- Car theft and vandalism is the #1 crime in our area. Always secure your vehicle doors, windows, hood and trunk.
- Put all packages and valuables out of sight including telephones and garage door opener.
- Lock both your car and inside garage door. Keep garage door closed.
- If you must park outside your garage, an alarm helps to scare thieves.
- Pay attention to all alarms.
- Keep your purse close to your body.
- Never attach a tag with your name and address to a key ring.
- Teach your children not to open any door to strangers.
- Avoid planting large shrubs that can hide intruders near your doors or windows.

When parking:

- Park in well lit areas (under lights, as close to the building as possible).
- Always be aware of your surroundings-even at home!
- Leave malls with a

friend/have someone walk out with you if it is dark.

- Do not enter or leave your vehicle if you spot someone suspicious.
- Stay away from large bushes or dark places that could hide someone.

When driving:

- Watch to see if anyone is following you home.
- At a stop light/sign leave enough space between you and the car in front of you to maneuver out if necessary.
- Have a map and flashlight (with fresh batteries) in the car for emergencies.

DON'T DRINK & DRIVE!

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