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**WELCOME NEW
MEMBERS TO THE
ORGANIZATION!**

The Laguna Greens Guardian is the official publication of Laguna Greens Neighborhood Watch, Inc. The next quarterly meeting is scheduled **June 6, 2009** at 4:00pm Jeannie Womack Park on Castlevue Drive. Guest Speaker: **Don Nottoli, Supervisor 5th District** Sacramento County Board of Supervisors.



SPRINGTIME GET TOGETHER

The Spring Activity will take place Saturday, May 16, 2009, 11:00 am in Jeannie Womack Park. Hotdogs, buns and chips will be provided. Bring a drink and your favorite dish to share. Bring a chair or blanket. Come and meet new people and reacquaint yourself with friends. We will have Giggles the clown entertaining. Watch for flyers.

SPRING MEETING MINUTES MARCH 21, 2009 JEANNIE WOMACK PARK

Michael Jones commenced the meeting at 4:05p.m. In attendance were: Teresa Jones, Guest Speaker, Michelle Orrock, Board Member Cosumnes Community Services District, Todd Eberle, Travis Hanna, Eric & Colleen Childers, Anabel Crouch, Danielle Cullum, Betty Hughes, Mitch Jang and Victor Negrete. Michael announced the opening for a Secretary. The minutes

were read and a motion was made to approve. Approved unanimously. Treasurer reported as of 2/28/09, our balance is \$844.94. Motion was made to accept and approve the report. Approved unanimously. Michael discussed Identity Theft tips which are on the our website; an increase in residential burglaries and to notify Elk Grove Police if suspicious activity is seen. Our Guest Speaker, Michele Orrick, Board Member, Cosumnes Community Services (CSD), Elk Grove presented an update on the Jeannie Womack Park renovation. The Insurance Company needs to get bids. Jeannie Womack Park will have two play grounds in 2010. CSD beginning to prepare proposals for Fall 2009 and hoping work is done in 2010. One member asked why it is taking so long. Michele indicated the Insurance Company process takes time and specifications are being redone. Also, they are behind in the work and have fewer staff. Another member mentioned the fence signs around the playground invite more vandalism and some parents let their children climb fence. She promised to make these issues known to CSD. (The signs have been changed) The meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm. Respectfully submitted by Teresa Bello Jones, Acting Secretary.

CRIME ALERT

South Sacramento Burglaries up 59 Percent from 4/1/09
Sacramento Police Department
Since February 2009, the

south area of Sacramento has seen an increase of residential burglaries. Burglaries have increased by over 59% in comparison to the 2008 identical time frame. The Sacramento Police Department has increased its staffing using specialized units to combat the burglaries. Many of the recent arrests resulted from neighbors calling in burglaries in progress or suspicious activity. Residents are asked to continue to be on the look out for suspicious activity and/or persons in their neighborhoods. The best method to combating burglaries is having neighbors look out for one another by calling the police on suspicious activity. The majority of the burglaries are occurring during the day when most people are at work. The suspects will normally knock on the door and when they get no response, go into the backyard of the residence. The suspects make entry into the house by breaking a window or door. Over the last month over 17 individuals have been arrested for burglary or prowling in this area. Some of the suspects are known burglars that have been arrested for the same crime numerous times. Many of the suspects are juveniles. The following are some crime prevention tips people should consider:

- write down serial numbers for all your electronic devices (ie, plays station, ipod tvs);
- install audible burglar alarm to scare away suspects;
- lock the gate to your backyard;
- make sure all your windows and doors are locked;
- participate in neighborhood watch- get to know your neighbors and watch out for each other;
- keep bushes trimmed so suspects can't hide behind them;
- keep blinds and/or curtains closed so intruders can not see inside your home.

ELK GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Visit the new website for "Crime Prevention Tips" documents and "Online Reporting".
<http://www.elkgrovepd.org>



Don't forget to mark **Tuesday, August 4, 2009, 6:30pm** on your calendars. Come and meet law enforcement partners and other members of our community. Watch for flyers.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Citigroup Foundation
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gives monetary awards to their employees for volunteering on behalf of the public. Laguna Greens Neighborhood Watch, Inc. was awarded \$500 due to the work of Michael Jones. On behalf of our organization, the Editor commends Citigroup Foundation for its volunteer recognition program and Michael Jones for his unwavering commitment to making our lives safer. Through the United Way many of our State employee neighbors contribute funds. Thank you all for your continued support of the Laguna Greens Neighborhood Watch, Inc.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Emergency	911
Emergency cell phone	714-5111
24 Hour Non-Emergency	714-5115
Traffic Issues	478-8300
POP Officers	478-8110
Service Center	478-8100
Graffiti Hotline	478-8231
Parking Enforcement	478-8160

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