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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 for March 26, 2011, 4pm at Jeanne Womack Park on Castleview Drive. Guest Speaker TBD.



EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 18, 2011

The meeting commenced at 6:30pm with introductions by Mitch Jang, Colleen Childers, Eric Childers, Teresa and Michael Jones. The following schedule was discussed and approved.

Meetings:

Spring, March 26, 4pm Summer, June 4, 4pm Fall, September 17, 4pm

Activities:

Spring – Potluck- May 21, 11 am-1 pm. Summer - National Night Out August 2, 6pm-9pm. Winter – Winterfest –Dec. 17.

ALL MEETINGS AND **ACTIVITIES TAKE PLACE** IN JEANNIE WOMACK PARK, EXCEPT WINTERFEST

1. Incidents:

a. Foreclosures & Squatters 2. California State Employees Charitable Campaign (CSECC): a. Laguna Greens receives contributions from CA State Employees.

3. Treasurer Report:

a. Teresa read the Treasurer Report that indicated ending December balance of \$1.047.39

4. Scheduled Meeting Dates

4:00 pm in Jeannie Womack Park:

SPRING: Saturday, March 26th. Michael will ask Officer Julius Lewis, from the POP unit to be our guest speaker.

SUMMER: Saturday, June 4th. Volunteers In Police Service (VIPS); Michael will ask Denise Costello of the EGPD Crime Prevention Unit to also be our guest speaker.

FALL: Saturday, September 17th, 2010. Michael will ask Jim Cooper, Elk Grove City Councilmember to be our guest speaker to give an update on the Sacramento Valley

Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force.

5. Scheduled Activity Dates and Times

SPRING: Saturday, May 21st, 11:00am-2:00pm: Springtime Activity - pizza, potluck side dishes. Giggles the Clown will be hired. Colleen and Eric will provide a piñata; Michael will mention this in the May/June edition of the Laguna Greens Guardian.

SUMMER: Tuesday, August 2nd, 6:30pm: National Night Out—hot dogs, brats, Polish

dogs, potluck side dishes. **WINTER:** Saturday, December 17th, 6:30pm: Winterfest. Respectfully submitted, Colleen Childers.

FORECLOSED & VACANT HOMES

There is an increase in these homes which become vulnerable to squatters and illegal entry. Keep watch on these homes in your block and report suspicious activity to the police.

2011 NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH COORDINATORS MEETING DATES

The City of Elk Grove Police Department Neighborhood Watch Coordinators Quarterly meeting will be held at 6:30pm at City Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way on February 22nd, May 17th and November 15th.

CRIME STATISTICCS

CRIMEREPORTS.COM: This website allows you to look up crimes which have occurred in a neighborhood.

ELK GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT

www.elkgrovepd.org

Website for "Crime Prevention Tips" and "Online Reporting".

SMOKE DETECTOR

Not only should you change batteries during the time change, but every 10 years get a new smoke detector.

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

DO NOT BECOME COMPLACENT

- Always be aware of your surroundings-even at home and shopping! Watch for suspicious acting people.
- Identify theft continues to be a threat. Do not leave bills overnight in mailbox. Shred any personal information.
- Home Invasions have increased. Use dead bolt locks and 3 inch screws to attach them.
- Watch to see if anyone is following you home.
- Car theft and vandalism is the #1 crime in our area.
 Always secure your vehicle doors, windows, hood and trunk.
- Put <u>all</u> packages and valuables out of sight including telephones and garage door opener.
- Never wear extravagant jewelry when going out alone.
- 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 or use your pockets.
- Never attach a tag with your name and address to a key ring.
- You and your children must not open any door to strangers.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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

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