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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 **TBD, 2019** at Jeanne Womack Park on Castlevue Drive. Guest Speaker, **TBD**



### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

**National Night Out** was held Tuesday, August 7, 2018. It was a great success made by all who attended and brought delicious and nutritious food. We could not succeed without all of you! The friendly ambience created by those who care about others and joyful children made it extra special.



### 2018 National Night Out

Photos are on our website

[www.lagunagreens.org](http://www.lagunagreens.org)

### FALL MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 15, 2018 WOMACK PARK

After the welcome and introductions, the meeting commenced at 4:10 pm. Michael welcomed everyone. Teresa, acting Secretary read the Minutes of July 7, 2018 Meeting. Teresa read the Treasurer's report.

September ending balance was \$209.52. Each report was unanimously accepted.

Michael discussed the following:

#### Identity Theft

Be conscious of what and where you give your personal information; shred all documents with personal information. Identity Theft continues to be a serious crime as thieves are getting more sophisticated in obtaining information where government and commerce takes place and by hacking into computers. Credit cards are equipped with electronic chips that make it more difficult to hack.

#### Nextdoor.com

This is a social media tool that Elk Grove Police Department is partnering with. Our area is Elliot Ranch East and Michael is the lead. Also, Nextdoor.com has an app. This is a free and private social network for neighborhoods, to build stronger, safer communities with the help of residents. To join our Nextdoor Elliot Ranch East (Laguna Greens Watch, Inc.) neighborhood, visit the Nextdoor website above to sign up.

**Guest Speaker** – Bryan Noblett, Chief of Police, City of Elk Grove presentation included the following: The City population is over 170K. There is little violent crime city wide. The Chief lives in Elk Grove; his children went to

Elk Grove schools; he's been in Law Enforcement Elk Grove for 9 ½ years. There is no question he is invested and committed to Elk Grove. There are 146 sworn Officers. Our police force will grow incrementally. Although the City is committed to hire more officers; however, more space is needed for police officers and support staff.

Under Technology: Body cameras are being piloted and policy is being developed. Police cars have their own cameras.

A Real Time Information Center is being planned. It will have a huge wall monitor that can review each camera posted in our city. This monitor will help support and connect the community and neighbors with police.

Elk Grove does not own helicopters and the city cannot let us know what's going on in real time. There will be information on Facebook page updated by Jason Jimenez, Public Information Officer.

As far as Interns, EGPD is looking into a program for Elk Grove High School students to participate.

Community Advisory Board (CAB) was created by the Chief with 14 members made up of a diverse group (ethnicity, gender, age, religion, etc). Their goal is to discuss issues important to the community. This group is working well and informs the Chief of these issues from their perspective. Information about this group and their Meeting Minutes can be found on EGPD website.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:55 pm.  
Respectfully submitted by Teresa Jones, Acting Secretary.

## ELK GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT

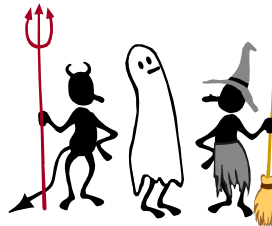
[www.elkgrovepd.org](http://www.elkgrovepd.org)

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

## SAFETY TIPS FOR TRICK OR TREATING

1. Wear reflective or light colored costumes.
2. Take a flashlight or small light.
3. Go in groups.
4. Don't eat candy until it is inspected.
5. Always be aware of your surroundings.
6. Look before you cross streets!
7. Homes with no lights on are not participating in trick or treat. Do not disturb them. Watch your step as it may be very dark around these homes.

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN!**



## HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

- At night, wear bright or reflective clothing when walking, jogging or riding bicycles (helmet always).
- Avoid the holiday rush – shop early and during the day! Or go with a friend at night.
- 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.
- Do not leave valuables visible in your car.
- Be Aware of Surroundings. Do not be distracted by your telephone or earphones. You may become a target.



**DON'T DRINK & DRIVE!**

**DON'T USE CELL PHONE OR TEXT WHEN DRIVING!**

**DON'T SPEED ON OUR STREETS!**

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**A Happy New Year!**