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Woodlake Property Owners Association Neighborhood Watch Newsletter

The publication of this newsletter is unofficial and does not reflect any opinion, directive, or policy of the Woodlake Property Owners Association members or Board of Directors.

The primary purpose of the newsletter is to convey information designed to assist us to reduce or prevent crime in our community.

The information presented is available through various public access sources, personal interview, or observation. Your comments as to how we can better improve this effort are welcome.

1. Bell County Sheriff Tip Line: Wanted

<http://www.bellcountytexas.com/cscd/cscdwanted.htm>

Five foot – two, 117 lb, Kimberly Anderson is a 51 y/o, W/F with hazel eyes and brown hair and 23 y/o, 5'5", 160 lbs, Miguel Cardenas with brown eyes, black hair are both from Temple are wanted for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Also from Temple is 29 y/o Clinton Eubanks, 6', 160 lb, W/M, has brown eyes and brown hair and is wanted for driving while intoxicated (DWI) with a child passenger.

24 y/o, 5'8", 130 lb Shawnrey Jimenez, is a B/M with brown eyes and black hair from Belton is wanted for aggravated assault by strangulation on a family member.

From Copperas Cove is 6', 20 y/o, 150 lb, B/M with brown eyes and black hair, Kenneth Taylor, wanted for burglary of a habitation with intent to commit theft.

Richard Allen is a 29 y/o, 5'-9", 130 lbs, W/M, with green eyes and brown hair from Troy is wanted for injury for a child.

If you have any information regarding these individuals, please call the Bell County Sheriff's Office at 254-933-5400, your local law enforcement, or **CRIMESTOPPERS AT 1-800-729-TIPS** (Local 526-TIPS). **ALL CALLS WILL BE KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.**

2. Crime Update -

Killeen - Friday, February 3, five teenagers landed themselves in some serious trouble after police found them inside a residence on Tortuga Lane Wednesday morning.

A man accused of breaking into a home in Killeen is behind bars thanks to some watchful neighbors.

A 28-year-old Killeen man has been arrested after being linked to several local burglaries.

Harker Heights - A soldier came back from Iraq to find all his belongings were being sold by two squatters living in his Houston area home. A relative drove by the military family's house made the report.

Temple - A man is behind bars for reportedly holding up a Temple gas station and then returning to the scene of the crime just hours later.

A robber is on the loose in Temple, after he held up a convenience store early Saturday morning.

(Source: KXXV.Com)

3. Part Two of the Ongoing Series to Review the Fundamentals of the Neighborhood Watch Program, Responsibilities and Ongoing Training -

An effective Neighborhood Watch Program doesn't just happen. Nor, is it sustainable without continuous interaction, heightened awareness, and evolution.

One of the most difficult processes is at the onset – Identifying problems, concerns, and issues and establishing priorities. This requires opening-up the discussion, input and feedback, from as many (preferably everyone) community members as possible. Just getting out the information can be a challenge. Every community member must have a voice in addressing concerns, identifying priorities and implementing strategies. Several volunteers are necessary to help achieve milestones and to assess the effectiveness of the program.

In our case, a Neighborhood Watch program was implemented early on but a significant population spurt in the community created a lot of vacuums and gaps in the communications network that had to be reestablished.

Once the new priorities were set the formal training materials were distributed and the National Neighborhood Night Out was celebrated, residents got the chance to interact with their Neighborhood Watch Law Enforcement Liaison, Deputy Sgt. De La Rosa. Our law enforcement trained representatives will be able to provide a variety of crime prevention services.

Another aspect of sustaining a revitalized Neighborhood Watch program depends upon the involvement of as many members as possible.

I've designated several households within the community to act as primary points-of-contact (P.O.C. in lieu of the traditional "Block Captains") to coordinate a communications network among clusters or cells of 4 to 6 households. They're responsible to establish follow-up contact with their cell members (e-mail, phone, or in person) to provide source materials and instructional CDs, etc., and identify those in households that may need special assistance. But, their primary responsibility is to pass along critical information related to terrorism, suspicious activities or a crime in progress, disaster relief, mass casualty assistance and evacuation.

Natural disasters like tornados and earth quake can never be accurately predicted so it is important that all the pertinent material be reviewed frequently.

From time-to-time members may be called upon to assist with NW coordinators, cell POCs, and law enforcement liaison to give presentations or help with Operation Identification (O.I.) conducted severally or in small group sessions and to encourage others to actively participate in crime prevention measures.



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4. On The Horizon -

First of all, I've arranged for our law enforcement liaison, Deputy Sgt. De La Rosa to attend our annual association meeting.

This year's gathering will be at the Schoepf's BBQ restaurant in Belton, at 3PM on the 18th of March.

Sgt. De La Rosa's presentation is aimed at familiarization with our relationship with the Sheriff's office, what services they provide, and some fundamental home security suggestions that will help deter burglary. I highly recommend being there and please help pass the word along. The first line of defense against crime is a well informed citizen.

I'm pleased to report that this phase - identifying and assigning volunteers for duties as main points-of-contact (P.O.C.s in lieu of the traditional Block Captains) has been accomplished. I will be providing the P.O.C.s the necessary tools they'll need to get started on their objectives.

Primary POCs responsibilities will be limited, for now, to helping establish a solid communications network.

As the program progresses, I will be calling on each POC for input and suggestions as to how we can best address any know problems and attempt to identify future issues so we can re-set our priorities.

For the time-being, study-up on your fundamentals provided in the instructional CD or on-line at:

<http://woodlakeneighborhoodwatch.com/>

Neighborhood Watch Leadership training - training the trainers:

- Purpose, objectives, and functions of NWP.
- Sources materials and references.
- Interaction - surveys, interviews, and feedback.
- Problem identification and resolution.
- Threat response and reaction.
- Techniques of observation and reporting.

Prerequisite for participation in the Advance Neighborhood Watch Leadership Training is to have completed all 5 instructional units of the Woodlake NWP CD. Please let me know if hadn't received your copy.

I'll be in touch.