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Woodlake Property Owners Association Neighborhood Watch Newsletter

Special Advisory Issue

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>

Four of our suspects this issue were last known to have lived in Temple: Wanted for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon is 32 year old, 5'8", 200 lbs, James Garcia is a W/M with brown eyes and black hair. Tonya Schiller is a 5'2", 150 lbs, 36 y/o, W/F, with brown eyes and brown hair, wanted for burglary of a habitat. Morris Shelton, 5'11", 180 lbs, is a 50 y/o, B/M with black eyes and black hair who is wanted for DWI w/child passenger. And, Gilbert Jimenez is 31 yrs/o, 220 lbs, W/M with brown eyes and black hair wanted for possession of a controlled substance.

From Killeen, suspect Bryan Harrison is 26, 6'2", 175lbs, B/M with brown eyes and black hair and is wanted for assault of a family member. Ondria Hardeman is a 29 y/o, B/M that is 6', 164 lbs with brown eyes and black hair. Hardeman is wanted for robbery and is also from Killeen.

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 - A man is in jail after assaulting his grandmother. A husband is jailed after being accused of stabbing his wife and her ex-husband. Two people were hospitalized, Thursday, after a vicious stabbing at a home in Killeen.

Temple - Police are investigating a robbery where a woman had her purse stolen by a man who claimed to have a gun.

3. Part Five of the Ongoing Series to Review the Fundamentals of Neighborhood Watch - Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security.

Communities are encouraged to take an expanded role in developing emergency preparedness plans and taking measures to prevent terrorism. Residents have to work in unison with law enforcement to protect the community and promote awareness.

Key to safety and protection is having a well informed citizenry. Developing a disaster preparedness plan is complex but should be comprehensive and dynamic. Residence must be trained to recognize and report the signs of terrorism.

Terrorists use fear to get attention by leaving their victims with an unforgettable impression. Their main objective is to cause panic and disruption of services and daily activities beyond the

impact of the immediate victims and to attack our psyche by shocking or paralyzing us into inactivity.

The new focus on neighborhood watch expanded role includes awareness and prevention strategies. Education in what terrorists do, who they are and what they believe, and what and who their likely targets are is required. Education and training dovetail with effective and efficient use of available resources. Practical application of practicing common sense guidelines for observing and reporting re-enforce neighborhood watch initiatives and encourage greater participation which increase safety and security against terrorism and crime.

What neighborhood watch activities are related to homeland security? Report any suspicious activity to the appropriate law enforcement agency. If the suspicious act is known to be terrorism it should be reported to the FBI, otherwise get help from local law enforcement of the emergency management office.

Develop a neighborhood evacuation plan that includes a directory and plans for children and seniors who may need help. And, encourage members to develop emergency preparedness plan.

If a disaster strikes, will you be ready?

First - Evaluate what you need to have and do to ensure your family will stay safe and healthy during and after a disaster.

Next - Get emergency supplies together.

Then - Use old suitcases to pack disaster clothing and personal items; they are easy to grab in a hurry. Ask your fire department for a list of items needed for disaster kits. Let your watch group know if you have disabilities and special needs. Also, plan for the supplies your pets will need.

Finally - Practice fire escape and disaster evacuation plans a couple of times a year.

Every Emergency Supply Kit Should Include:

- Water - One gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation.
- Dust mask - To help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place.
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries.
- Food - At least a three-day supply of non-perishable food.
- Flashlight and extra batteries.
- First aid kit.
- Whistle to signal for help.
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags, and plastic ties for personal sanitation.
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities.
- Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food).
- Local maps.

Additional Items to an Emergency Supply Kit:

- Prescription medications and glasses.
- Infant formula and diapers.
- Pet food and extra water for your pet.
- Important family documents: insurance policies, identification, bank records.
- Cash or traveler's checks and change.



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- Emergency reference material such as a first aid book or information.
- Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person.
- Complete change of clothing.
- Household chlorine bleach and medicine dropper.
- Fire Extinguisher.
- Matches in a waterproof container.
- Feminine supplies and personal hygiene items.
- Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils, and paper towels.
- Paper and pencil.
- Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children.

Check out the <http://www.ready.gov/> web-site for more information.

4. On The Horizon -

If there ever was an opportunity to illustrate the value of having primary P.O.C.s within the community to help disseminate critical information, it would be now.

I can't say if the incidence of sexual offences is increasing or there is a heightened awareness I'm trending toward the later. But, not having children, I'm not as sensitive about the crime as others. That doesn't mean I don't give it the same amount of attention.... It's still a serious crime none-the-less, and one with far

reaching and often more emotionally damaging than any other crime. I just never made it a priority in the maturation of our Neighborhood Watch Program until now that a convicted child molester has moved into our neighborhood.... There, I said it.

That does not give us reason for alarm or to organize a lynching mob but it does warrant vigilance and better education on how parents can protect their children from known pedophiles.

As soon as I was notified there was a convicted child molester living in our neighborhood I wanted to make sure that there were not being any false accusation being made. You can verify the charges at: https://records.txdps.state.tx.us/DPS_WEB/SorNew/index.aspx Being forewarned is being forearmed and the information is available for public access. Don't become a victim. Also see: <http://www.kxxv.com/story/15164328/soldier-arrested-on-child-porn-charges>.

We've made some great evolutionary strides to improve our Neighborhood Watch Program however; it will continue to be a work in progress.

I can't, nor would I presume I've the ability, resources, or the time to do it all by myself, and I haven't but, there is still a lot of work to be done.

My thanks to everyone who's contributed their time, experience, and knowledge helping keep the ball moving. Feel free to comment or suggest your ideas of what can be done to improve our efforts.