



Weekender

September 17, 2010

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Regular Board Meeting

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September 18, 2010 – 9:00 a.m.

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Note: The Board Room will open at 8:00 am to allow time for Board members to review and discuss agenda items and materials among themselves as needed prior to the start of the meeting.

Call to Order - Regular Board Meeting (Flood)

Safety in the Workplace (Flood)

Adopt the September 18, 2010 Regular Meeting Agenda (Flood)*

Approval of Minutes of the August 21, 2010 (Flood)*

Floor Comments (20 Minutes)

Old Business

Update on Volunteer/Staff Appreciation Dinner (Robinson)

New Business

2011 Board Goals – Board Discussion

RV Storage Lot Agreement (J. Williams)

Approval for Use of Contingency Funds to Purchase a Chlorine Feed Pump/Tank*

Communications

Incoming Correspondence

Outgoing Correspondence

Meetings & Contacts

Staff & Committee Reports

Comments (10 minutes)

Recess to Closed Session on Personnel, Legal, & Real Estate or Contract Issues or Employee Matters (If necessary)

Reconvene to Open Session for Action Items (If necessary)

Floor Topics for the Good of the Order

Adjourn*

Be sure and visit our web site
at

<http://www.surfsideonline.org/>

*** Requires Board Action**

BUDGET PROCESS

The Budget Committee has had three meetings to begin the process of developing the 2011 budget.

Work will continue on developing the budget, with every effort being made to keep costs down and still provide quality services to the homeowners.

Once developed the budget will be submitted to the Board of Trustees at their October 16th Meeting, then it will be mailed to the membership in late October. The Board will ratify the budget based on the Membership vote at the November Board Meeting.

REQUEST FOR DONATIONS FOR STUDENTS AT OCEAN PARK ELEMENTARY

The Community Relations Committee is sponsoring an Outreach Program for the students at Ocean Park Elementary. We are asking Surfsiders to donate new or gently-used clean sweats, socks and/or underclothes for students to change into after playing outdoors on the wet playground. Anything in a size range of Kindergarten through 6th Grade will be welcomed! A bin will be available for your donations at the Surfside Office. You may also drop off your donations at the compactor site. Thank you for your generosity (the teachers & children thank you, too!).

Sheila W.



P.S. The response to the clothing drive has been great, with the exception of socks, we are still in need of socks good clean used or new socks would be greatly appreciated!



WATER WORLD

BY BILL NEAL WATER AND FIELD SUPERINTENDENT (INTERIM)

This new column will appear in our Weekender once a month. We are providing this column to keep our members up to date on issues related to will help answer question you may you enjoy this column. It will be wri-tional and fun to read. This month we The Danube is blue, the Pacific Ocean the water at our tap is crystal clear. like the Mississippi and the Pacific our water has a yellowish tinge to it. carbons found in our well water. Our to the marshy areas located in our wa-lease tannic acids (organic carbons) and percolates into the ground. Percolate is this process most mornings in their thank God for Folgers in my cup. Now, of my shower? Our filtration system well water very nicely. It does not remove the tannins. The yellow color distracts from the appeal of the water but it will not harm you. The water delivered to the homes and businesses in Surfside is safe to drink. The Board of Trustees is looking at different measures to bring the water to a crystal clear appearance. They would love to hear from you on the issue. Until next month, keep the coffee hot and strong.



**What Does Dancing Goats
Have To Do With Coffee?**

We hope this column have about your water system and we hope ten in a manner that will be both informa-will discuss color. Does water have color? is blue/green, the Mississippi is muddy but Well the Danube is not blue it looks more Ocean comes in many different colors and The color in our water is due to organic water has an excess of organic carbons due tershed. Decaying vegetation matter re-these are absorbed by the rain water as it the correct word. Coffee drinkers imitate kitchen. As a coffee drinker I can only say, how do I keep Folgers in my cup and out removes Iron and Manganese from our

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Submitted by George Miller

THINGS BURGLARS WON'T TELL YOU:

BE SURE TO READ THIS ALL THE WAY THRU TO THE END - ESPECIALLY THE END.

THINGS YOUR BURGLAR WON'T TELL YOU:

1. Of course I look familiar. I was here just last week cleaning your carpets, painting your shutters, or delivering your new refrigerator.
 2. Hey, thanks for letting me use the bathroom when I was working in your yard last week. While I was in there, I unlatched the back window to make my return a little easier.
 3. Love those flowers. That tells me you have taste... and taste means there are nice things inside. Those yard toys your kids leave out always make me wonder what type of gaming system they have.
 4. Yes, I really do look for newspapers piled up on the driveway. And I might leave a pizza flyer in your front door to see how long it takes you to remove it.
 5. If it snows while you're out of town, get a neighbor to create car and foot tracks into the house. Virgin drifts in the driveway are a dead giveaway.
 6. If decorative glass is part of your front entrance, don't let your alarm company install the control pad where I can see if it's set. That makes it too easy.
 7. A good security company alarms the window over the sink. And the windows on the second floor, which often access the master bedroom - and your jewelry. It's not a bad idea to put motion detectors up there too.
 8. It's raining, you're fumbling with your umbrella, and you forget to lock your door - understandable. But understand this: I don't take a day off because of bad weather.
 9. I always knock first. If you answer, I'll ask for directions somewhere or offer to clean your gutters. (Don't take me up on it.)
 10. Do you really think I won't look in your sock drawer? I always check dresser drawers, the bedside table, and the medicine cabinet.
 11. Here's a helpful hint: I almost never go into kids' rooms.
 12. You're right: I won't have enough time to break into that safe where you keep your valuables. But if it's not bolted down, I'll take it with me.
 13. A loud TV or radio can be a better deterrent than the best alarm system. If you're reluctant to leave your TV on while you're out of town, you can buy a \$35 device that works on a timer and simulates the flickering glow of a real television. (Find it at <<http://www.faketv.com/%3E>;
<http://www.faketv.com/>)
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EIGHT MORE THINGS A BURGLAR WON'T TELL YOU:

1. Sometimes, I carry a clipboard. Sometimes, I dress like a lawn guy and carry a rake. I do my best to never, ever look like a crook.
2. The two things I hate most: loud dogs and nosy neighbors.
3. I'll break a window to get in, even if it makes a little noise. If your neighbor hears one loud sound, he'll stop what he's doing and wait to hear it again.. If he doesn't hear it again, he'll just go back to what he was doing. It's human nature.
4. I'm not complaining, but why would you pay all that money for a fancy alarm system and leave your house without setting it?
5. I love looking in your windows. I'm looking for signs that you're home, and for flat screen TVs or gaming systems I'd like. I'll drive or walk through your neighborhood at night, before you close the blinds, just to pick my targets.
6. Avoid announcing your vacation on your Facebook page. It's easier than you think to look up your address.
7. To you, leaving that window open just a crack during the day is a way to let in a little fresh air. To me, it's an invitation.
8. If you don't answer when I knock, I try the door. Occasionally, I hit the jackpot and walk right in.

Sources: Convicted burglars in North Carolina, Oregon, California, and Kentucky; security consultant Chris McGoey, who runs <<http://www.crimedoctor.com/%3E>; <http://www.crimedoctor.com/> and Richard T. Wright, a criminology professor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, who interviewed 105 burglars for his book Burglars on the Job

Protection for you and your home:

WASP SPRAY

Val Glinka teaches self-defense to students at Sylvania Southview High School . For decades, he's suggested putting a can of wasp and hornet spray near your door or bed.

Glinka says, "This is better than anything I can teach them."

Glinka considers it inexpensive, easy to find, and more effective than mace or pepper spray. The cans typically shoot 20 to 30 feet; so if someone tries to break into your home, Glinka says, "spray the culprit in the eyes". It's a tip he's given to students for decades. It's also one he wants everyone to hear. If you're looking for protection, Glinka says look to the spray.

"That's going to give you a chance to call the police; maybe get out." Maybe even save a life.

PUT YOUR CAR KEYS BY YOUR BED AT NIGHT

Tell your spouse, your children, your neighbors, your parents, your Dr's office, the check-out girl at the market, everyone you run across. Put your car keys beside your bed at night.

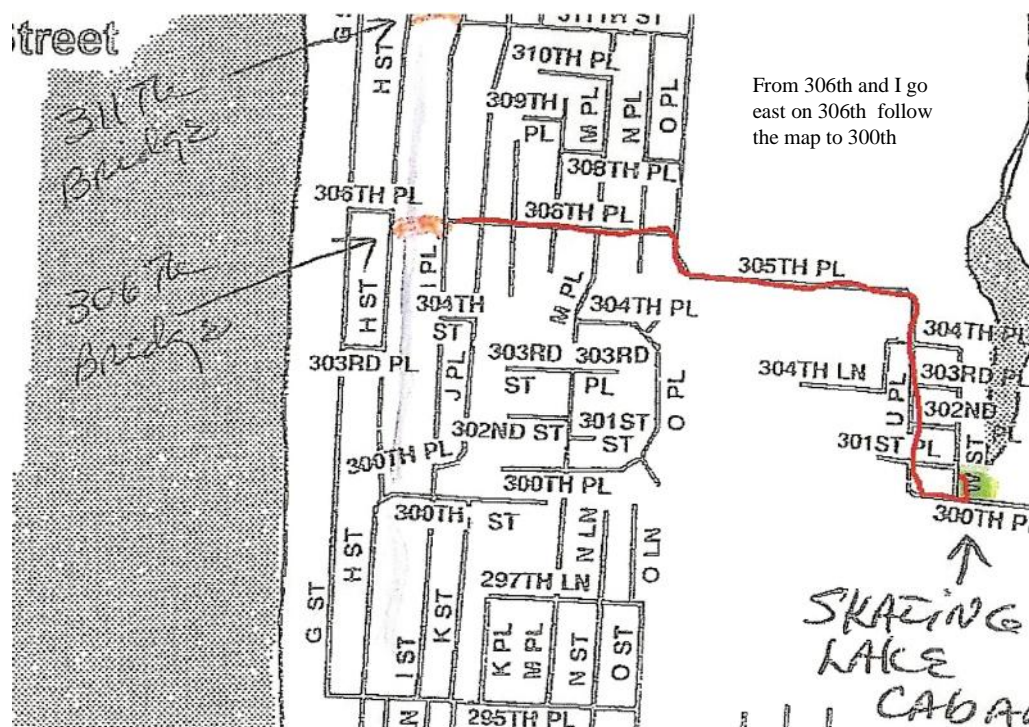
If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies. This tip came from a neighborhood watch coordinator. Next time you come home for the night and you start to put your keys away, think of this: It's a security alarm system that you probably already have and requires no installation. Test it. It will go off from most everywhere inside your house and will keep honking until your battery runs down or until you reset it with the button on the key fob chain. It works if you park in your driveway or garage. If your car alarm goes off when someone is trying to break into your house, odds are the burglar/rapist won't stick around. After a few seconds all the neighbors will be looking out their windows to see who is out there and sure enough the criminal won't want that. And remember to carry your keys while walking to your car in a parking lot. The alarm can work the same way there. This is something that should really be shared with everyone. Maybe it could save a life or avoid a sexual abuse crime.

CHILI COOK OFF AND HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

Entrance fee for the Cook off and Horseshoe Tournament a pair of new or good clean socks for the Ocean Park Elementary School.

This year the contest will encompass chili, salsa and cornbread, so bring any one or a combination for judging. The contest starts at 1:00 PM Saturday September 18, 2010 with judging at 1:30 PM . There will also be a Horseshoe Tournament, so bring a partner and join Alan in a rousing game of horseshoes!

Below is a map with directions to Skating Lake Cabana



September 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
12	13	14 Architectoral Committee Meeting 9:00 AM Bunco 6:30 PM	15	16 Sara Chase 	17	18 Board Meeting 9:00 AM Chili Cook Off 1:00 PM Skating Lake Cabana 
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