



Action Items Summary:

- Coordinate with Atrium Court and The Lofts to advertise our National Night Out event (Sandra)
- Send invitations for our National Night Out event to Natomas Chamber of Commerce and Supervisor Roger Dickinson (Keith)
- Ask Bel Air for donation of barbecue briquettes and possibly watermelon for our National Night Out event.

Attendance

- Leadership: Keith Sharward (co-founder, Cafaro Circle), Judah Grossman (co-founder, Cowbird Court), Brandy Kollenborn (co-founder, Great Egret Court).
- Residents Within Boundaries: Becky & Rob (Groth Circle), Robert (Chimney Rock Way), Janice & Bill (Cafaro Circle), Kristie (Poppy Hill Way), Judith (Poppy Hill Way), Sandra (Duckhorn Drive), John & Tanya (Shrike Circle), Julio (Myotis Drive), Pat (Groth Circle)
- Guests: Don & Karen (Hornsea Way), Officer E. Hansen (Sacramento Police Department)

Socialize & Order Food *Optional*

Welcome

- Sign-in sheet
- Parking Lot
- Introductions
 - Officer E. Hansen attended meeting – this was a pleasant surprise as we hadn't expected an officer to attend our meetings until next month due to the short notice.
 - Q: Can we get a substation in our area?
A: Substation is not an option in the near term, but a "police service center" is in the works, which will be a convenient location for officers to take breaks and write reports and for volunteers to assist the public.
 - Caution about pattern of previous home invasions: robbers have entered through open garage door (large car bay door) and assaulted occupants often while groceries are being unloaded.
 - Q: Can the officers' beat be revised to include certain parks?
A: Officers' beats aren't restricted to specific routes, but we can ask the PD to pay particular attention to a park, and calls for service regarding disturbances will bring more attention to the park, too.
 - Q: What about calling in a disturbance at night?
A: If you don't tell the dispatcher that you want to be contacted as a follow-up, the call is less urgent



and will not be regarded the same as a request for follow-up.

- Q: How much lead time should we give to the officers (i.e., Capt Hahn or Officer Hanson) before we invite them to a meeting and ask them specific questions regarding safety or policing?
A: One week lead time with questions would help the officers best prepare for the topics.
- Q: Were any of the home invasions gang-related?
A: One incident at the time involved a gang member, but it does not appear that the general home invasion spree (involving 3-4 separate independent, unrelated groups of perpetrators) was gang-related.
- Suggestion: possibly contact the churches meeting in Witter Ranch Elementary, too?
- Suggestion: contact local media (TV? Sac Bee for North Sac pages?) to cover the event? Free publicity?

Our Kick-Off “Meet Your Neighbors” Event (National Night Out)

- Review
 - Date: Tuesday, August 5
 - Set-up: 5-6 pm
 - Event: 6-9 pm
 - Clean-up/Tear-down: 9-10 pm
- Flyer distribution update
- Status of Entertainment & Invited Guests:
 - Sacramento Fire Department
 - Station 18, North Market Blvd.
 - Sacramento Police Department
 - Capt. Daniel Hahn
 - CSO Kurt McCray
 - POP and/or Beat officers
 - City Council / Mayor
 - Bounce houses
 - Ben Ali Keystone Cop Patrol
 - The UPS Store – Children’s fingerprinting
 - Kovar’s (sp?) martial arts academy to demonstrate.
- Volunteer/Coordinator Roles:
 - Electricity (neighbor to provide electricity) – *Keith will manage.*
 - Banners/Signage – “...you can post signs up in the park but nothing hammered into the trees and you can post the sandwich board in the park, but not on the sidewalks. You can post the signs up 10 days prior to your event.”
*Erin Quinonez, Program Coordinator, Special Events Services
City of Sacramento, Department of Parks and Recreation*
 - Decorating? (5-6pm) – *Becky to help decorate.*



- Barbecue – supplies, set-up, management/monitoring, cleanup. *To start with one BBQ and fire up others if the demand is there.*
- WRCA Booth/Table – registration & name tags (name, street, move-in year)
- Roving Greeter(s) – registration & name tags (name, street, move-in year) – *Judah Grossman, John Medeiros, Becky and Rob Correia to alternate between Roving Greeters and WRCA booth).*
- VIP Greeter & Special Guest Handler – *Keith will manage.*
- Garbage – *Joe Goss & Juli -- Julio is not available from 6-8pm, but can help clean up later*
- Cell Phones

Governance

- History/Genesis
 - Perceived need, networking/partnering, preliminary discussions with co-founders and city's Neighborhood Services coordinator
 - Co-founders began governance/by-laws development discussions
 - Violent crime spree (June 1-24)
 - Front page "above the fold" news
 - Co-founders motivated by sense of urgency – "strike while iron is hot"
 - Governance discussions suspended to support National Night Out event time line
 - Rapid development and launch of Web site / National Night Out announcement
 - First WRCA meeting open to public 2 weeks ago – attended by 10 neighbors, all 4 co-founders, and city's Neighborhood Services coordinator
 - Outreach began in earnest with NNO event flyer distribution
 - Need to return to important governance matters
- Why is governance so important?
 - Rules and procedures for conducting association business
 - Ensures association's longevity as leadership changes occur over time
 - Allows *credible* representation to municipal entities
 - City Council
 - Planning commission
 - Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission (Sacramento LAFCo)
 - Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA)
 - Sacramento Board of Supervisors
 - Others as needed
 - Supports compliance with federal and state tax laws (non-profit organization?)
- How do we propose to develop our governance?
 - Governance team ("interim board") to convene over next several weeks
 - Goals: "Advanced Common Sense" (structured but not overly bureaucratic), must be nimble, checks and balances, support committee and "work group" concept



- Intent to present plan to group for comment and feedback in September
- Questions/Feedback

Socialize *Optional*
Adjourn

Next Meeting

Monday, August 25, 2008 – 6:30 to 8:30 PM
Arrive at 6 PM to socialize and/or to buy food
Round Table Pizza, 3290 Arena Blvd., Suite 600