

Discovery Harbour Civic Affairs Committee

Neighborhood Watch Program

Report for March 12, 2016 Annual Board Meeting

Our February NW meeting was rescheduled until the 22nd because of the holiday on the 15th. There were no reported thefts in Discovery Harbour since our last meeting but you may have heard about the bomb scare at the Kau Learning Academy. The news stated a child brought an explosive device to school, when it was shown to others the staff was told and authorities notified. The use of the school was modified until the device was disposed of.

For information on home security, check out the Hawaii Police Department home security checklist on the DHCA website. It is located under "Owners Corner", then click on "Protect your property checklist". It is recommended that people mark their property to help identify it should it be stolen. The Police Dept. has engravers that can be borrowed. It also is recommended to take pictures of your personal property and be sure to include the serial number and model plate info. This can really help the police identify stolen property and return it to the owners. Having pictures and serial numbers will be very useful should you need to file a claim with your insurance company.

Property owners who want us to check their house while away can now fill out and submit the "house check form" on the website under "Neighborhood Watch". If submitted on line the office staff will contact you to verify your intent or you can still stop by the office and fill it out.

If you don't have a return date when you fill out the house check form please notify the office at least one week before your return date to give us time to notify neighborhood watch drivers.

Neighborhood Watch committee meets the third Monday of each month at 5 PM.

If you see illegal activity, call the police first, and then notify DHCA. If possible, get license numbers of suspicious vehicles and report them to the police.

CIVIC AFFAIRS

We are still compiling a list of residents interested in taking CERTeam training. There is a signup sheet available for those interested in taking CERT classes. This is not the actual sign up but a list of interested people.

CERT basic training is the doorway into CERT and is a 27-hour certification course. Class attendance requires personal commitment as the course takes 4 consecutive Saturdays to complete. Upon successful completion a Certificate of Completion is given. One must pass a written test and perform well on a practical exam.