



Sunshine Neighborhood Watch – CERT Team (Est. 2008)

SCCE - Harlingen's premier NW & CERT Team.



Lights On -- Lock Up and Look Out for each other!

Meeting Agenda – Monday – 18 March 2024 - 3pm - Retzlaff Hall

**Lenore J. Combs, Coordinator 956 245 1276 LJCombs44@gmail.com
Sgt. Manny Tovar, Officers Lopez, Bravo and Moreno, HPD District Rep.**

Mary Grande – NW Patrol Schedule

Liz Dietrick - Treasurer

Jean Burgoine – NW Car Decals and NW Golf Cart Decals

Marian Young – will check the Patrol Flashlights (batteries) weekly

Tom & Debbie Gossman – will check McGruffmobile Golf Cart batteries monthly

Hoppy & Jean Hopkins – assist with NW evening Golf Cart Patrol orientation

Judy Boyachek – Sunshine Street Strutters – information contact (or Lenore)

Dear NW- CERT Volunteers, Residents and Friends,
This is an open meeting – you are always cordially invited. We welcome your constructive input. We wish to get as many helpful hints and opinions as possible. You matter. Sunshine matters. If you cannot attend, please send me your 2 Cents on this agenda.

Welcome -- Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence – Thoughts for your special intentions.

Introductions of Guests, new members and new volunteers

**A huge heartfelt thanks to each and every NW – CERT volunteer
YOU ARE APPRECIATED.**

Treasurer's report:

Bank statement available.

Agenda:

Old Business: Audience choice

New Business: Anything you wish to bring up for discussion is most welcome.

NW Orientation: Lenore Combs

Anyone wishing to become a volunteer for this project will be fully oriented.

Basic tenants: Look out for suspicious activity and how to report it

- Keep an eye out for your neighbors
- Create a community network thru which neighbors keep each other informed
- Best practices for safety & security
- Come to meetings.

NW Evening Patrols: Mary Grande

Thanks to Mary for her due diligence on making our Patrol Calendar happen.

Thanks to those of you who help her make it happen. We can always use help.

Winter: October thru March has 2 patrols 8:30pm ~ and ~10:30pm.

Summer: April thru September has 1 evening patrol.

HELP WANTED !!!!! Many hands make light work. You will be fully oriented to the many aspects of our NW and your effort is most appreciated. Here are some opportunities:

1. Block Captains: - We have 9 streets – Depending on the number of homes per street determines the number of a Block Captain and Co-Captains who play a role in keeping an eye out and sharing information. How 'bout signing up ? This can be a yearly assignment or a *Winter Texan* commitment.

2. CERT Team:

We update our Sunshine Readiness Plan each April for PD, FD, EMT and Comm Center. You do not have to be a CERT member to assist. In March, we generally prepare some hints on how to get your home ready when heading “up North”. But April is reserved for Disaster Preparedness.

3. Vendor Program

As a homeowner, we all share responsibility in supporting a *Vendor management* program. Our Board has reviewed our SEPO & NW strategic plan and we are all encouraged to participate so as to mitigate potential risks. (details under separate cover).

4. McGruffmobile: NW Golf Cart

(Lenore – contact me for any concerns 956 245 1276)

Marian Young – checks the Patrol Flashlights (batteries) weekly.

Tom & Debbie Gossman – check McGruffmobile Golf Cart batteries monthly.

(Manny is standby for major issues and a local Golf Cart dealer (Mario).

Duty: keep an eye on the Golfcart. (batteries, water – general routine – bring concerns to Lenore).

Please share any ideas you may have about upgrading it such as LED lights and the rotating “bubble gum light” on the top of the golf cart.

5. Dog Watch - Bike Patrol – Sunshine Street Strutters

These are 3 important “*undercover*” volunteer tasks.

If you see something – say something! for your vigilance as always – your intel is a big help. - Any volunteers?

Surveillance: all of us are responsible. *If you see something – say something!!!*

6. Locking up the Buildings

This has always been a Board responsibility. _____ is currently the SEPO Director for this area.

This still does not *unobligate* residents to be most vigilant about this issue. Bad Guys luv when you leave doors open – they don’t have to bust the lock. (goes for your house & car too etc). So just be sure to shut the door and check it twice.

SEPO Projects:

Cameras – a SEPO project – Tom Perrier SEPO Board Member recently installed this project. May we have an update on the status?

SEPO Sensaphone IR System (This is a Board responsibility – Tom Perrier)

Status: This apparatus is staged in the Woodworkers Shop in the Storage Lot.

Tom Gossins (a NW volunteer) was covering this.

Plan – update current statis. It is a SEPO project.

NW – CERT Projects:

Operation ID – Officer Bravo & Moreno HPD

Contact Lenore 956 245 1276 so we can make arrangements with you. First, you complete your **Personal Inventory List** then we can set up the engraving process & give you the Operation ID decal. Additional Personal Inventory Lists are available in the Library next to the NW display.

Vial of L.I.F.E. decals - available. What about “*Who’s Your Buddy*”? This is especially useful to have a friend or neighbor to call upon if an emergency arises.

RED Envelope - with current health history.

Complete the health hx, place in red envelope.

If you have a DNR make sure it is in there too – same for special medical documents.

“**Sunshine Emergency Contact**” forms are available in the Office. Please keep your info current. Has the Office a spare key or your designate here in case of ???

Refrigerator Magnets to call in at HPD **956 216 5940** report suspicious activity. Have your story together – not an epistle. You will be speaking to an Officer who simply wants to know who, what, where, how and why! (any drugs or guns?)



EVERYONE INVITED



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