

Public Safety Committee – February 2012
Betsy Shand, Chair

Crime Prevention

Commander Day who oversees Central Precinct joined us in February to discuss his approach to community policing. It gave us a chance to meet this new Precinct Commander right in the middle of one of the biggest vandalism sprees in SW PDX history. We had just suffered a rash of over 30 broken car windows in South Burlingame and over 100 in West PDX. Commander Day, Officer Hughes and DA Laurie Abraham spoke to the need for residents “to say something if they see something” as it helps community policing follow up on patterns of questionable activity on our streets. Call 503.823-3333 for non-emergency reports and 911 for emergency requests. We are grateful for time and their presentation. We are ready to use our grant funds to create a banner for our annual Community Policing Event and if you want to help, now is the time to give your input.

Public Safety

A sub-committee met to work on an Emergency Preparedness PowerPoint presentation for residents, neighborhood watch groups and businesses to use to help them get ready for any disaster. The work has been completed and the presentation is available on the SWNI website under Committee and under Public Safety. Scroll down the home page for this committee and you will see Part 1 identifying the hazards in our area and Part 2 advising you on supplies and storage methods for emergency kits for your home, school and work. We can come present the slide to you or your group or you can use them yourself and the accompanying speaker notes that are part of the two presentations.

We are here to help, but we need your input too. We would like to offer this presentation to the other entire coalition offices city wide. Come joins our efforts to build a more resilient community.