

Neighborhood Watch

Dear Crosswinds Neighbor,

Did you know that 85% of the home breaking and entering crimes are committed during the day? Most of the entries are accomplished by kicking in a door and the burglars are gone in 3 minutes!

Did you know that Crosswinds recently had a home break-in, cars vandalized, and a stranger attempting to talk his way into an occupied home?

We are establishing a Community Watch in our community under the direction of the New Hanover County Sheriff's Department. 1st Sergeant J. R Sigman from the New Hanover County Sheriff's Department will help train us in personal safety and security for our homes.

Community Watches are: neighbors watching out for themselves and each other to make their communities a safer place to live. Community Watches all across the country let neighbors get to know each other better, and help to reduce the chance of criminal activity in their neighborhoods and communities. We can reduce the chance of criminal activity by better securing our property and reporting suspicious activities to the Sheriff's Department. This program does not include patrolling the neighborhoods.

Community Watches cost only the time it takes for us to care about our neighbors. This is how our Community Watch will work. Most of the Communication committee's Block Captains agreed to act as contact points for the Community Watch. We will establish email and phone lists for the Block Captains. Your Block Captain is listed in an attachment. Please contact your Block Captain and provide your contact information. The Block Captains will provide information to you on a regular basis as well as bulk e-mails from the Association.

We will need additional volunteers to become Block Captains to make this program work. Please contact Dave Powell at 910-350-8936 if you'd like to help.

If you'd like to learn more about the Community Watch program, and ways to better secure your home and community, 1st Sergeant J.R. Sigman, New Hanover County Sheriff's Department will present an overview at the annual community meeting.