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SEPO Election

Just a reminder. Your election ballots need to be in the ballot box outside the SEPO office by 1:00 PM on February 16.

If for some reason you have not received your ballot package please call the SEPO office (956-425-1420) and we will get a packet to you.

Chuck McEvoy Election Chairman

Woodworker's Club News

As is the case with everyone, the woodworkers are hoping for 2021 to be better than 2020. Shop cleanup has been moved to the first Tuesday of the month at 8:00 am. Thanks to Cathy Chajec for organizing and supervising that necessity.

Woodshop orientation classes have been held in January. The woodshop limit of seven persons has required multiple sessions. If you are new to the community and wish to use the woodshop, you must attend one of these sessions prior to be given access to the shop. Contact John Chajec (icsayjack@gmail.com) to get your name on the list for the next orientation.

Regretfully, due to Covid-19 protocols, there is no spaghetti dinner planned for this year.

Woodworkers Club meetings in January have been held using Google Meet. We will meet on February 12, 2021 in the Pavilion, weather permitting. The February 26 meeting will be virtual using Google Meet.

Jerry Wetherbee

Wall of Honor

This is a reminder for all our residents who served in the armed forces of all nations and the men and women in our community who served as police officers, fire fighters and first responders. The service wall is a work in progress. The wall display is to recognize residents living and deceased where the surviving spouse or other relation resides within the estates.

See the Sunshine Web site for additional information and picture (https://www.sunshinecountryclub.com/special-2020-2021)

The wall is a work in progress and similar to the ones in place to honor the golfing achievements that are in Retzlaff Hall. It is white with red trim and the placards are blue. There is a title at the top stating the

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purpose. The name plates below containing the name of the honoree, the type of service and dates of service. Accompanying the wall is a pedestal to hold a photograph album of the honorees.

If residents want their picture or their spouse's picture included on the wall they will need to fill out an application form. These forms are available from me and will be available in the office when it reopens after the Covid-19 crisis. My information is below.

The picture you provide for use will be copied and returned if you write in pencil on the back of their picture the name, address and phone number of where it is to be returned.

All name plates and pictures that are placed on the wall and in the book should remain there indefinitely.

Any questions contact:
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This is also a reminder that I still have veteran's patches while supplies last. They are for all veterans. Just stop by or contact me. If you see me around just ask as I usually have some with me.

Thank you all for your service.

Jim Tennant (USCG)



Sunshine Neighborhood Watch – CERT Team (Est. 2008)
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Lights On -- Lock Up and Look Out for each other!

Lenore J. Combs, Coordinator, 956 245 1276 LJCombs44@gmail.com

Dear Friends.

We had our first virtual NW-CERT meeting on 18 January 2021. Thanks to Pat Harvey for patiently training me, hosting it and to John for setting me up. If you wish to participate at future NW-CERT meetings, there will be a link sent out to the community a few days ahead of time with a code in which to login.

If you wish to view the January 18th meeting – send me an email request. You do not have to be a Volunteer.

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The January NW agenda was sent out to the community via Beth. We briefly followed this "virtual" agenda, several of us participated and it was fairly easy to get online. Call me with questions. This probably is the "new normal".

Currently we are having a Neighborhood Watch fundraiser. It is a virtual Finger Lickin' Chicken dinner. Back in the old days, before COVID-19, our Firefighters would come out to SCCE at o'dark:30 and stoke the mesquite and coals for a scrupdelicious dinner. Volunteers provided the fixin's. But – new times and COVID-19 Commandments prevail.

So, as an alternative for a donation - In the Library there is a supply of designated envelopes and a lock box in which to \$how your \$upport\$. You can please make your check payable to Neighborhood Watch. This opportunity will end 31 January and I hope you will take advantage to support us. Thanks.

For you - On one of the Library tables, in the Office area, there are several forms for your convenience. Please update your <u>Sunshine Emergency Contact form</u> for current records for the Office. <u>Operation ID form</u> - is an inventory list for your valuables in case of..... for insurance and police reports. A <u>RED envelope</u> and a <u>Health History form</u> is designed for your brief, current health history – complete it. Take a RED envelop for each family member and place it on your fridge or in a very conspicuous area for the EMS to find if the need arises. The ER luvs it.

We recently spoke about the "Be A Buddy" program – What's that? Briefly, let's say your spouse is feeling poorly and you are considering calling 911. Well, once you do call 911 – you are on the phone. If you call your "Buddy" ahead of time he, she, they can stay with you while the situation is under deliberation. If you decide to call 911, your Buddy can assist in getting local help from neighbors etc. Makes a stressful situation not so hectic. And send someone to the Front Gate to put on the red rotating light.

Don't forget SCCE has a ZOLL AED by the pool. If you need it, call 911 first.

We have a red, rotating light on the Front Gate indicating our location opposed to the RV park. This avoids EMS accidently hunting in Encore RV park for us. We also have a "S.O.S. yelper attached to the gate which is a component to allow Police, Fire and EMS thru the gate. Very common asset for a gate.

Now, I wish to pay a special thanks to a few neighbors, not all NW volunteers, who took some time the other day to do some brainstorming on possible security risks and surveillance tools. Most streets had a representative and we toured SCCE. Don't want to put too much in print but we discussed a Camera Task Force several months back, did some preliminary research and gave an in-service on what was available in SCCE. Bill Peterson and Tom Gossins were the Team Leaders for the project. The exercise was very productive. The Harlingen Police Department has offered to provide some input.

Classes available for 2021:

Hands-Only CPR, First Aid, Stop-The-Bleed can be taught COVID-safe per new guidelines. If interested, contact me - especially for any COVID updates.

IS 317 – A: Introduction to CERT - Community Emergency Response Team Available on-line thru FEMA – 2 hours - free

CERT Basic Training – 9 Core Units https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/ContactUs

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Next VIRTUAL meeting for NW-CERT is Monday 15 February 2021 3pm You may submit items for discussion.

Lenore J. Combs

FROM THE EDITOR

Thanks to all everyone who submitted articles for this Newsletter. Guidelines for submission each month are located on the Web site here: https://www.sunshinecountryclub.com/guidelines-sepo-newsletter. If you have any questions after reading these guidelines, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Happy Valentine's Day to all.

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