

**Neighborhood Watch
Board of Directors' Meeting
Columbia Police Department Conference Room
March 12, 2007**

| Name | Present | Absent | 1st 3 year | 2nd 3 year | Expire |
|------------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| Conrad Howe | X | | X | | 09/08 |
| James Russell | X | | X | | 09/07 |
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| Brenda Campbell | X | | | X | 09/07 |
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| Dan Adams | X | | X | | 09/08 |
| Arthur Rikli | X | | | X | 09/07 |
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| Jim Dyer | X | | X | | 09/08 |
| Mike Hayes | X | | | | |
| John White | | X | | | |

The mission of Neighborhood Watch is to provide information and assistance which encourages neighborhood involvement to be effective watchful neighbors with the goal of reducing crime.

Meeting called to order at 8:10 AM by Mr. Howe.

Approval of: February 2007 meeting minutes approved as written.

Treasurer report: Mrs. Campbell reported that on February 28, 2007, the bank balance was \$887.86.

Old Business

Web – Page: The Web page is up and running. Part of the crime statistics has a format problem and Mike needs to send Sam the information in a different format. Add a page for upcoming events and a page for special events.

Fund Raising: Officer Hayes asked that the board add Quaker Oats to the list of Business. Mr. Howe reported that he has not heard back from Sam's club yet.

Home Show: Officer Hayes has gotten several calls about the Captains training since the home show. He also had several good comments about the flyer that was handed out.

Cost of printing: Mr. Adams reported that General printing was the only one willing to print 500 – 1000 of the pamphlet "Neighborhood Watch Guide". General printing quoted \$969 for 500 or they would do 1,000 for just a few dollars more. Mr. Adams is going to see if he can make contact with Farmers Insurance Group to see if they still supply this guide. Farmers are the ones who put the guide out originally.

New Business:

The board interviews two prospective for the three openings on the board.

Dr. Richard Heimbürger is a retired plastic surgeon. He has had a practice in Columbia and doing some teaching. He lives in Thornbrook subdivision and is active in getting Neighborhood watch going in Thornbrook.

Richard "Dick" Gray is a former city manager for Columbia. He has always thought that Neighborhood watch and crime stoppers were excellent programs. He lives in the Highlands.

A motion was made to appoint Dr. Heimbürger and Mr. Gray to the board until September when they will be voted on and will start their first full 3year term. Motion passed and the board welcomed them on board.

Other Business:

Officer Hayes reported that Water & Light would be moving out of the 3rd floor of the building. That floor will then be renovated and the Community Services will be moving to that floor. So the NW board meetings will be moving from the conference room. Also the board may need to some other site also while renovations are going on. Officer Hayes is going to look into the Armory meeting room.

Officer Hayes also reported that a member suggested that Captains be trained to do the basic membership training. The board discussed this possibility and thought it was a good ideal.

A motion was for Officer Hayes/ committee to proceed with setting up and the feasibility of captains doing the basic membership training.

Officer Hayes passed around the informational flyer that sent out to all schools promoting the Safety Poster Contest. See attachment 1.

Report from Sgt White & Officer Hayes

Officer Hayes reported that his report was done during the Old, New, and other business. He did say that Sgt. White was sick but that he had another prospect for the last opening on the board.

Motion made to adjourn – motion passed meeting was adjourned at 9:25 am

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Russell
Secretary

Next meeting will be April 9, 2007

Downtown Optimist Club/ Neighborhood Watch Association

2007 Safety Awareness Poster Contest

All Young Artists Are Encouraged To Enter The 2007 Safety Awareness Poster Contest

Age
Group

6-10

(Grades 1-5)

Safety is
Everyone's
Business



CONTEST THEME: Safety Awareness

At School and at Play, At Home, and Away

CONTEST RULES:

1. The Downtown Optimist Club/ Neighborhood Watch Poster Contest is open to all public, private, and home school students who are between the ages of 6 and 10 as of September 1, 2006.
2. Only one entry per student will be considered.
3. Students must design and complete their posters WITHOUT the help of friends, parents, teachers, or siblings.

ENTRY SPECIFICATIONS

The entry must meet the following specifications:

- Size: 11"x14", either vertical or horizontal. Regular posterboard is preferred, no foamboard.
- Color or Black & White entries are acceptable.
- Medium: Art two-dimensional medium (charcoal, watercolor, marker, crayon cut-and-paste, etc.)

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

All entries must have an official entry form taped securely on the back of the poster. Entry forms may be downloaded from our website at: www.downtownoptimistclub.org without an entry form will not be considered.

PRIZES

Winner At Each School

\$50 Savings Bond

City Overall Winner

\$150. First Place
\$100. Second Place
\$ 75. Third Place
- plus--

School

\$100 to the teacher of the city overall winner for classroom support.

CONTEST DEADLINE

Entries must be postmarked and send to the address below by Friday, March 30, 2007. Winners will be notified during the week of April 23, 2007.

REMINDERS:

- Posters will be judged on originality, clarity of message, and quality of artwork by a panel of judges. Judges' decision is final.
- Entrants agree by entering the contest to give the Downtown Optimist Club ownership of the artwork and the right to reproduce it.
- Only the winners will be notified by mail; individual entries cannot be recognized because of the number of entrants.
- Posters will not be returned.
- Posters without Entry Form will not be considered.

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Questions?

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Entry Postmark Deadline: March 30, 2007