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*Without a sense of caring,
there can be no sense of
community*

--(Anthony D'Angelo)



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Appleblossom

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Success!

Thank you to all who attended our first neighborhood watch meeting on January 27th. We had 33 people brave the elements and attend. Our meeting started off with a bang, as we were shuffled outside when the fire alarm sounded. Investigator Trevor Materasso from the Westminster City Police Department presented the program and answered questions from our community. He was very impressed with the turnout!

Our next step is to assign street leaders. Each leader will be responsible for approximately 10 houses. They will gather information for their assigned houses and then report the information to me. I in turn will contact Investigator Trevor and he will alert the Neighborhood Watch signs department.

When the street leaders come to your home, they will have papers for you to fill out. It is general information such as auto info, license plates, and phone numbers. This will help with any police reports in case of emergency. Please note that info you will be providing is part of the public record, so it isn't something that is not available to the general public.

Street leaders will also provide a sheet for your own records. This sheet is where you should record any serial

information on things of value. Keep that sheet in a safe place. Any items of value that do not have serial numbers should be engraved. The police department allows us to use their engraving tools for this purpose. In the past, the police departments would come to your home and help you do this, however that policy has changed.

Each month your street leader will give you a call just to check on you. If you have concerns or notice something you think should be brought to the attention of the neighborhood, please contact your street leader.

Those of you who have already expressed an interest in becoming a street leader, I will be in contact with you within the next month.

Please be patient as we move forward with this next step. There is a lot of work involved. However if you should have any questions you may always contact me, Laura Key 720.939.1401

Citizens Academy

The Westminster Police Department offers a Citizens Academy class twice a year. The first class of the year began on Feb. 21st.

Through classroom lectures, hands-on experience and demonstrations, participants will learn the importance of civic

awareness and citizen/police cooperation.

Topics include: ethics, officer survival, criminal law, forgery/fraud, sex offender, investigations, communications, building searches, traffic stops, police pursuit driving, vice and narcotics, K-9 demonstration, patrol procedures, victim services, taser, bicycle patrol, DUI enforcement traffic, arrest control, SWAT and crime scene investigation.

If you would like more information, please call 303.430.2400 x. 4421 or visit their website listed below: www.ci.westminster.co.us

As your Community Leader I am attending and participating in the hands on activities of the classes.

Community Notes

Do you have an old cell phone you are no longer using? The Westminster City Police Department can put them to good use. Drop off your cell phone at the main office located at 9110 Yates Street, Westminster, CO 80031

Neighborhood Website

To view the website go to... WWW.LKEYREALTOR.COM Click the "Neighborhood Watch" link listed on the left! There you will find more detailed crime reports and a copy of our newsletters.

Jan/Feb 2007 Crime Reports

Appleblossom Ln = 2 incidents
(criminal trespass/vehicle)

Green Ct = 1 incident (welfare check)

Grove St = 0 incidents

King St = 0 incidents

Hooker St = 0 incidents

Knox Ct = 0 incidents

Irving St = 0 incidents

Julian St = 0 incidents

79th Ave = 2 incidents
(theft/burglary)

Graffiti...

There has been a noticeable increase of graffiti in our neighborhood. The City of Westminster is currently developing an Anti-Graffiti Program. I will keep you updated as this program develops. Feel free to report any incidents to me or the police department.

Neighborhood Homes

For Sale

7920 Irving Street
(\$214,900)

7931 Julian Street
(\$179,900)

7921 Appleblossom
(\$153,900)

7861 Appleblossom
(\$174,900)

**prices subject to change since this printing.*

Overall home values are decreasing in our neighborhood.

Crime Prevention Tips

- Keep spare keys with a trusted neighbor or family member who lives outside of the home, not under a doormat or planter, on a ledge, or in the mailbox.

- Lock gates, garage doors, and shed doors after every use.
- Illuminate or eliminate places an intruder might hide: the spaces between trees or shrubbery, stairwells, alleys, hallways, and entryways

Crimes of Opportunity

I would like to share with you my reprimand from Investigator Trevor during our Neighborhood Watch Meeting in January. I was so excited about the meeting and making sure I was introducing myself to everyone that I created a "Crime of Opportunity." I left my purse and iPod unattended. It would have been very easy for someone to pick up both and walk out the door. Please use my example to take notice of the small things you do not currently think about.

My Gift To You...

I have enclosed a Kwal Paint discount card with each newsletter this month. Spring is around the corner. I hope this helps with your spring home improvement plans.

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Oh by the way...If you or any of your friends or relatives are thinking about buying or selling a home, I'd love to be of service! Just give me a call with their name and number. Customer service is my #1 priority!