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**CORBETT
NEIGHBORHOOD**

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The March meeting will be on the 11th of March in the Corbett Library.

The guest speaker will be Captain Nunez from the Tucson Police Department. He will be able to answer questions about Neighborhood watches and crime deterrents.

The missing air compressor has been located. It was bought and donated to the Zuni Bike club. Still no sign of the soda blaster.

Agenda:

- I. Meeting called to order.
- II. Treasurers report.
- III. Old business.
- IV. Guest speaker, Capt. Nunez from T.P.D.
- V. New business.
- VI. Meeting adjourned.

Membership:

Membership in the Corbett Neighborhood Association is FREE! to all residents of the neighborhood. To be a voting member the annual dues are \$5.00

THOUGHTS CORNER:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Schwenkler family that they will be given the strength they need to get through this illness.

A special welcome to the newest addition to the neighborhood. Makayla Danielle Keist was born February 18th.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

In the square mile of the Corbett neighborhood (22ND To Golf links and Craycroft to Wilmot) there are only three active neighborhood watches. They are on both sides of 32nd St. and 23rd St. to start a neighborhood watch; one person from your street must call Corrina Chavez from TPD at 791-5735 ext.202 to set up a meeting. You will need to get 50% of your street (corner to corner on both sides of the street) to attend the meeting, she will give you great and cheap tips on how to make your home safer. The leader of your watch will have to call and set up a meeting for your street to keep it active. This is the time to do it. The signs they put up at each end of the street are still free. The signs will not stop crime but it does deter the people who commit the crimes because they know everyone is watching out.

APRIL MEETING:

The meeting will be on Thursday the 8th at 6:30 in the library. The May meeting will be on the 13th.

I have the dates in this letter because of budget cuts in the city. This will be the last news letter until after June. 2010. We are looking into some options for the monthly notifications. One is e-mail, if you want your e-mail added to the list please contact Roger.

Landlords, this would be a great help if you live out of the area but have rental units in this neighborhood. People who rent, please contact your landlords to get their e-mail addresses. This way we can let them know when their properties get tagged.

The City of Tucson mails out about 2000 of these letters or post cards every time we ask them but we only see the same 10-15 people show up at meeting. This shows me everybody is happy with the crime and graffiti going on in the Corbett Neighborhood. In October 2008 the city sent out a post card notifying our neighborhood that the association was going to be dissolved. We had 300 neighbors at that meeting, new officers were elected and things looked promising. October 2009 we had 8-10 neighbors at the meeting. What happened? The police and people at Ward IV can't take us seriously and it shows by the rising crime rates in our neighborhood. The police can only do so much. They pay attention to the neighborhoods who try and help themselves. That is not us. We hear from you when your house is broken into or there is a drive by shooting. No one wants to call 911. We have welcomed the taggers by not removing the tags as soon as possible after they are put up. The City cannot remove tags from private property. This is an owner/landlord responsibility. We have allowed gangs to flourish by not reporting their activity because no one wants to get involved. No one wants to help clean alleys. Speaking of alleys why do some people think it's OK to trim their trees and throw the limbs in the alleys behind their house. The same goes for furniture. The City has a brush and bulky pick-up twice a year for this neighborhood. Please use it instead of just throwing the items in the alley. Better idea is to take it to the dump yourself. Yard sales are great but the signs left on roads and corners for weeks or until the next rain storm are not. Please take them down when the sale is finished.

Thank-you to Councilwoman Shirley Scott and her aide, Andy Squire for attending the February meeting. They addressed many concerns we have in the neighborhood and gave us a heads up on what's coming in the future as far as your water bill is concerned. To learn more, please attend the March meeting on the 11th at 6:30 P.M. in the Corbett Library.

School News:

Corbett school is collecting Betty Crocker box top points and Campbell Soup labels. You can take them to the school office or bring them to the meeting. April 17th is the school carnival. We have been ask to help with the activities. If you would like to volunteer please contact Kathi Finrock, at Corbett school.