

December 2008 BlockWatch and Safety Committee meeting

The December BlockWatch and Safety Committee meeting was attended by Michael Rosenberg, Greg Stanford, Gary Haertlein, Lyn Rivera, Joey Bolstad, Marty Radocha, Christopher Miller and Scott Silet.

Christopher was introduced as a new blockwatch contact for 48th Street.

The updating of the entire blockwatch network for the neighborhood is almost complete. The remaining updates/changes to our list will be emailed to Marty in the next few days so that we have the most current roster. All Block captains (new and old) will be invited to attend our February meeting to learn new tips, meet neighbors, and share their successes and concerns.

Regarding problem properties: Jim and Joey will get the contact info regarding a property on the 2100 block of 49th. Once we have that info we will send a letter to the owner stating the concerns of neighbors. Marty will contact the owners of a property on the 1400 block of Hawley to let them know that neighbors are concerned about the condition of the property.

Greg suggested we send a mailing to all neighborhood absentee landlords regarding minimum standards that WHNA as well as any reasonable people might want to see upheld throughout our neighborhood —he will work on a rough draft. Christopher is working on pulling together resources to create a database so that we can easily identify these property owners for a mass mailing.

Scott will be reviewing recent volunteer lists from WHNA membership. He will be contacting those interested in blockwatch to see how our committee might be able to assist them as well as extending the open invite for any who would like to attend our meetings.

Michael suggested we post the MPD crime analysis meetings on WHNA.net.

Submitted by Marty Radocha