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FallFest: October 25, 3:00 PM

Focus on Community Safety and ISCA's Neighborhood Watch

By Tony Hausner, Neighborhood Watch Organizer

CRIME HAS INCREASED THIS YEAR in the County and in the Nation, and perhaps even more so in our neighborhood. As we move forward to address these issues, we hope that you, as a community will become more aware, educated, and involved in helping to protect our sense of security as a long-standing neighborhood. This article will not only provide information about neighborhood crime, but about what you can do to help avoid it and what to do when you witness it. The ISCA Board and ISCA Neighborhood Watch volunteers (remember your Block Captains—see the list online or in this newsletter) are available for questions and suggestions.

A Serious Incident in the ISCA Neighborhood

As you may or may not know, a shooting occurred on July 31st in our neighborhood. Please take note that this article written on September 1, provides and highlights the following: 1) information on the shooting; 2) information about crimes in general over the last 3 months in this neighborhood and 3) discusses some thoughts on what we can do about all these crimes.

During discussions with the police in several meetings, emails and phone calls, the following information was compiled. According to the police and victim, on July 31 between 10:30 and 11:00 pm, one of ISCA's

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Family Fun at ISCA Fallfest 2008

By Celeste Raker-Dillen

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS on Saturday, October 25th from 3–6pm at the IS Recreation Center for an afternoon of fun and food at the 2008 Indian Spring Fallfest and Chili Cook-off. Make a batch of your favorite chili and compete for the coveted “Golden Ladle” award. See if you can out cook your friends and neighbors! If chili cooking is not your thing, then bring a side dish, dessert or cornbread to

share. Families with last names beginning with A–N should bring a side dish or cornbread; those whose last names begin with O–Z should bring a dessert.

ISCA will provide hotdogs, ice cream floats, a moon bounce, arts and crafts activities, and plenty of games for the young and old! The renowned raffle will also be a part of the day's festivities. Win fabulous

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Walk to School Day, Wednesday, October 8 • Email eileenfisher@yahoo.com for more info.

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By Walter J. Gottlieb

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IS IT JUST ME, or did this summer fly by really quickly? The kids are back in school, the weather's gotten a little crisper, and the Sun's already down by 8pm (really 7pm if we weren't on Daylight Savings time). Anyway, didn't we just do the Taste of Indian Spring a couple of days ago? Feels like it.

Last Spring the board and I were re-elected to another term. As the Fall season begins, I want to thank you for your continued confidence in us. We look forward to serving this community for another year.

We are particularly concerned about the increase in crime in our neighborhood. I could tell by the turnout at the National Night Out Against Crime in August and the postings on the listserv that you're concerned, too.

Neighborhood Watch Coordinator Tony Hausner has written a comprehensive article about crime in this issue and I encourage you to read it. ISCA is continuing to dialogue and put pressure on the police to take crime in our neighborhood seriously and to step up patrols. But it still falls on us to take common sense preventative measures—and to report suspicious persons or activity to the police.

There has been some debate on the listserv about **how** to best report suspicious activity, but the police—on two different occasions—have been extremely clear: don't hesitate to report suspicious activity to 9-1-1. As Lt. Eric Burnett of the Montgomery County Police explained at the National Night Out, 9-1-1 calls go into a queue according to priority, so you aren't distracting the police from real emergencies by calling. Lt. Burnett suggests letting the police prioritize things.

The police have also counseled us not to be afraid of "crying wolf"—either as individuals, or as a neighborhood—to go with our gut feeling if something seems suspicious and, once again, let the police respond as appropriate. We have now heard this message twice directly from the police: they **want** to hear from us. So whether you choose to call 9-1-1 or the non-emergency number, the most important thing is to contact the police when you see anything or anyone that seems suspicious or out of place.

I want to thank Tony Hausner for his work this summer to assist the police and help keep our neighborhood safe. He and other members of the Board have been doing the lion's share of the work—keeping ISCA functional, publishing the newsletter, and coordinating excellent community functions like the Fall Fest, the Taste of Indian Spring, the Neighborhood Clean Up, and many more. We also greatly appreciate Celeste Raker-Dillen for all her efforts in organizing our social events. Some of these folks have been shouldering the burden for a long time and could definitely use some help. So please, step up to the plate—get involved in the social committee or Neighborhood Watch or any other aspect of ISCA that interests you. I know everyone's busy, but whatever time you can find to help out will be much appreciated! Here's to a happy and safe Fall season.

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Independence Day Celebration

By Arlene Montemarano

C HILDREN AND HAPPY FAMILIES EVERYWHERE. Lots of music, lots of color, watermelon, drinks, including home-squeezed limeade, ice pops, popcorn and LOTS of enthusiasm.... put that all together and you have the ISCA Fourth of July celebration for 2008.

Our neighborhood band, Three Drink Minimum, which has brightened so many community events here for years, played for us once gain. The sun was very hot in front of the bandstand because of the sad demise of the huge maple that has provided shade in the past. This is a problem we are working on for future Fourths. In 2008, we added a super duper feature: a Moonbounce and water slide combined. It was very popular, even with a few game adults who joined the children in coming down the slide. Charon Shifflette, the good sport operator of the equipment, (who really did have a good time), remarked to me that she loved working in this community in particular, because of the great spirit we all have.

Couldn't agree more.

Many thanks to the following who helped me:

Kristen Henley Mills and
Sophie Henley Mills
Celeste Raker-Dillen
Eileen Fisher
Leigh Dencker and
Millie Dencker
Catherine David
Jill Ortman Fouse
and helpful volunteers in
general who always seem
to show up.

See photos to the right,
taken by Toba Hausner
and myself.



The Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America receive ISCA donation.



Lining up for the Moon Bounce / Water Slide. All photos: Toba Hausner, Arlene Montemarano



Newlyweds David Schieber and Arlene Montemarano, Parade Organizer.



Ole Varmer and his band. Photos: Toba Hausner, Arlene Montemarano

National Night Out

By Joyce Stocker



Lt. Eric Burnett Speaks to Gathering

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT, observed on Tuesday evening, August 5th, brought together at the Rec Center, members of our community and several officers of the Montgomery County Police Department. LT Burnett gave a brief overview of concerns regarding crimes in our area, but stressed that we live in what he considers “a very safe neighborhood”. There was much concern among residents about the recent robbery attempt and shooting of an Indian Spring resident and LT Burnett invited the adults present to hear his review of what was known

about this crime. Residents asked many questions about this incident as well as other crimes in this area. LT Burnett shared that several arrests had been made for various crimes. In response to a question about the age of the perpetrators, he stated that they ran the gamut from teens to adults. Since the most reported crime in this area is car break-ins, he shared tips for avoiding being a victim of this crime. He stressed locking one’s car and not leaving valuables in view. He also stressed calling 911 for any suspicious behavior, urging us to let the police decide the priority of the call.

We would like to encourage everyone to report any suspicions or crimes to the police and to the neighborhood. Also please let us know of any arrests.

Information was available regarding home alarm systems, and car anti theft devices, as well as the 10 top guard dog breeds. More information is available on the neighborhood watch page at iscaonline.com including an excellent article on home safety by Washington Consumer Checkbook.

Ice cream was enjoyed by all as neighbors introduced themselves to each other and the sense of community, and the resolve to fight crime, was strengthened. Many thanks to Tony Hausner who is relentless in his goal of keeping our community safe.



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prizes and gift certificates donated by our local businesses and restaurants. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase (1 ticket for \$1 or 6 for \$5) during the Fallfest. Winners do not have to be present to win.

Volunteers are needed to make this day a big success. Please help set-up and clean-up, run the moon bounce, serve ice cream floats, grill hot dogs, and/or provide tables and chairs. For more information or if you are interested in volunteering or being a chili chef, please contact Celeste Raker Dillen at 301-585-8446 or at dillensl@aol.com.

Mark Your Calendars and Join the Fun

ISCA Fallfest 2008

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ISCA'S next BIG social event will be THE FALLFEST ON OCTOBER 25. This has always been a big success and many of our members eagerly look forward to it. Below is a list of those members who are paid through October 15 and beyond. If you are not on this list your membership has expired and you will have to bring it up-to-date to attend. You may send a check to our mail box, ISCA, P.O. BOX 3724, Silver Spring, MD 20918-3724, drop it off at 200 E. Indian Spring Dr. or pay online at iscaonline.com (includes small service charge). Of course you can always pay at the door, but we encourage you to avoid the line by paying in advance. The membership dues are still \$10.00 made out to ISCA. Your dues are always good for one year from the date you paid. Thanks, Phyllis Zusman.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME(s)	PAIDTHRU
Acosta	Carlos & Ann-Marie	4/1/2010
Acworth	Will	11/1/2008
Adamson	Vickie & David	10/1/2009
Agger	Sam & Paula	4/15/2009
Aley/Harris	William/Dan .	9/15/2011
Alsop	Edward & Lynne	12/1/2008
Anderson	Nancy	5/1/2009
Arbacher	Judith	10/1/2010
Auerbach	David & Laura	11/1/2010
Balazs	Stefani	RENTER
Barbiero/Gwynn	Daniel & Rosemary	12/15/2008
Barry	Lisette & Jerome	11/1/2010
Barry/Lea	Denis/Deborah	4/15/2009
Bathon/Melke	Matthew/Amy	6/1/2009
Beatty	Judy & Charles	9/1/2009
Berry	Charles & Janet	11/1/2008
Blaine	Margaret	6/1/2009
Blais/Smith	Catherine & Wayne	4/1/2009
Bonnette	Richard, Joanne & Olivia	7/1/2009
Boyar	Jay & Gail	4/1/2011
Boyer	Pete & Laura	12/1/2008
Bridgewater	Monica	6/1/2010
Brigham	Robert	10/15/2008
Brown	Christine & Geoff	11/1/2008
Bryce	Beverly	4/1/2010
Brzostowski/Shugart	Joseph/Erika	12/1/2008
Bullock	Ann & Robert	11/1/2010
Buonora	Barbara & David	6/1/2009
Burke/Bodammer	Robin & Andrew	2/1/2009
Caplen/Stuart	Natasha/Patrick	11/1/2008
Carlson	Lesley & Eric	11/1/2008
Caron/Dart	Liz & Tim	11/1/2008
Case	Donna & David	11/1/2008

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Cason	Jennifer, Tom,	11/1/2011
Chambers	Tracey	10/1/2009
Chambers/Kowell	Jennifer & Joseph	4/15/2009
Christopher/Spring	Diana/Heather	6/1/2009
Clark	Chris and Tim	4/15/2009
Clark	Heidi & Matthew	5/15/2009
Collins	Linda & Thomas	4/15/2009
Collins/Huang	Ann & Chris	2/1/2010
Cotterill	Philip & Sarah	11/1/2008
Curran	Janis & Richard	11/1/2008
Dalbey/Hunter	Matthew/Elizabeth	4/15/2009
Damare	Michelle & Ryan	6/1/2/09
David	Catherine & Brice	11/1/2010
Dencker	Leigh & Alex	6/1/2009
Despard	Jessie	11/1/2008
Dietz	Lou Ann & James	12/15/2008
Dillen/Raker	Celeste & Jeff	4/15/2009
Dorsey	Toby & Mollie	12/1/2008
Eisenhart	Ida	6/1/2009
Esherick	Nancy & Kirk	3/1/2009
Fee/Miller	Colleen, Jack & Jonah	11/1/2009
Filbert	Anabelle/Bryson	11/1/2008
Fisher/Valentine	Eileen & Harvey	6/1/2009
Flanary	Robin Neale	4/15/2009
Flood	Diane & Mike	6/1/2009
Fowler/Pressley	Susan & Nelson	12/15/2008
Freestone	Ed & Jane	12/15/2008
Friedman/Goldstein	Avi & Amy	8/15/2009
Fults	Jacob & Piper	12/1/2008
Gadbois	Catherine & George	12/15/2008
Gadol	Ellis	5/1/2009
Galbraith	Jeanne & Steve	11/1/2008
Gallagher	Jeffrey & Vivien	12/1/2008
Gannon/Saragivutz	John & Barbara	7/1/2010
Ganong/Khoury	Carylton & Mireille	11/1/2008
Ganzel/Schneider	Penny& Edwin	11/1/2009
Gavin	Marie&Robert	4/15/2009
Gilhooly	Johnathan & Jane	6/1/2009
Ginyard/Brian	Ethan & Sonia	6/15/2009
Gladmon	Sandy & Jim	6/15/2009
Gottesman/Kuehn	Laura & David	4/1/2009
Gottlieb/Granatstein	Becky & Walter	4/15/2010
Gottlieb/Miller	Arlene & Chaz	11/1/2008
Green	Dale	12/1/2008
Grenier	Lindsay	4/1/2009
Griffith	Charles & Gayle	11/1/2008
Gunn	Philip	12/1/2009
Haas	Rachel & Jeff	4/15/2009
Hammer	Jeanne	11/1/2009
Hankins	David	12/1/2008
Hanna/Srinivasan	Nancy & Suresh	12/1/2008
Harlen	Kevin & Sarah	4/15/2010
Hartnett	Johnette T.	10/15/2009
Hatcher	Mike & Betsy & Family	11/1/2009
Hausner	Tony & Toba	3/15/2011
Helsing	Stephanie & Jeffrey	4/15/2009
Hendler/Kuzsmerski	Alex/Natalie	4/15/2010
Hendricks	Jennifer, Ben & Sam	11/1/2008
Henson	Tessa & Ed	11/1/2008
Hess/Freedman	Mary Ann & Dan	4/15/2009
Higgins	Ann & Paul	3/1/2010
Hill/Cullen	Marcus/Theresa	4/15/2009
Hinderlie	Holly & Keith	11/1/2008
Hoelman	Malinda & Louis	6/1/2009
Hoffman	Marc	11/1/2008
Holland	Jennifer & Bruce	4/1/2010
Horton	Ann	11/1/2008
Howe/Ratkowski	Susan/Patrick	10/15/2008
Howell/Moga	Leah & Josh	12/1/2009
Hulsebus/Rose	Sage/Jon	3/15/2009
Ishak	Margaret	12/1/2008
Jacobs	Lara & Marty	7/1/2009
Jansen	Andrew & Mary	7/1/2009



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Jenkins	Shawn & family	1/15/2010	Robinson	Jolee & Ted	4/15/2009
Jordan	Diane & Stewart	7/31/2009	Ropeik/Shauer	Larry & Janet	10/15/2009
Kane	Stephan/Vicki	6/1/2009	Rothrock/Grovic	Holly & Mark	4/15/2009
Kay	Peggy & Fred	12/1/2009	Roule	Trifin & Jeannie	10/15/2010
Keenan	Chris & Corby	2/15/2009	Rupli	Brenda	3/1/2009
Kilmer	Jaquenette & Kelly	4/1/2010	Russell/Mason	Sage & Jeff	12/15/2008
Kirkham	Patricia & Paul	3/1/2010	Ryan	Ed	4/1/2011
Kleine	Andrew & Kelly	10/15/2008	Ryan	Katie & Leo	4/15/2009
Kornke	Grace & Michael	2/1/2009	Sahli	Barbara	4/15/2009
Kraemer	Amanda & Mark	3/1/2009	Sahli	Nancy	12/1/2008
Krafts/Ebert	Andrew&Tina	4/1/2009	Salon/Goldman	Rebecca & Jay	11/1/2009
Kruhm/Edgley	Gail & Jerry	12/15/2008	Samuel	Monique	12/1/2008
Kutzer/Monaghan	Carol, Ed, Sam, & Steve	4/15/2009	Sauter	Heather & Daniel	4/15/2010
Lander	Karl/Erin	4/15/2009	Schantz	Donna & Lloyd	11/1/2008
Landers/Denniston	Kathleen/Alan	11/1/2009	Schieck	Karen & Tony	6/1/2009
Lane/Kokkinakis	Rebecca & Steven	12/1/2008	Schubert	Frances & Lynne	4/15/2009
Legeer	Shannon & Sean	5/15/2009	Shah	Vrinda	1/1/2010
Leonard/Mintzer	Amber & Irving	6/1/2009	Shaw	Suzanne & Frank	12/15/2008
Lilly	Amy	1/1/2009	Shawer	Amy & Tariq	11/1/2008
Lilly	Terese	12/1/2010	Shiffer/Campbell	Rebecca & Robert	12/15/2008
Lindsay	Elaine&John	11/1/2008	Shindel/Romer-Friedman	Cory & Peter	10/15/2008
Link/Kelderman	Ann & Eric	11/1/2008	Siniawsky/Sutter	Beth & Doug	11/1/2008
Locraft	Mark and Monika	7/1/2009	Slagle	John/Kathleen	5/1/2009
Longenecker	Charles	4/15/2009	Smith	Steve	4/15/2009
Lorenzen	Laura	6/1/2009	Snail	Keith & Malika	4/1/2009
Luck	Susan & Andrew	4/15/2009	Solano/Stiers	Silvana & Gretchen	10/1/2009
Lynam	Kelly & Ben	4/15/2009	Sollod	William & Lauren	4/15/2009
Magno/Wolff	Linda & William	4/1/2009	Spahn	Carol & Andy	11/1/2008
Manale	Andrew & Shizumi	12/1/2008	Steinberg	Clarence & Marc	10/1/2009
Manning	Richard & Anita	4/15/2009	Stock	Tom & Alix	4/1/2009
Marchionini	Brian & Ashley	4/15/2009	Stufft	Julie & Tim	11/1/2008
Markulies	Alice & Marvin	5/15/2010	Sweitzer/Richert	Karen & Mark	10/1/2010
Marks/Klimaski	Katharyn & James	11/1/2008	Tabak	Carolyn	2/15/2009
Marston	Christopher & Julia	8/15/2009	Tasaki/Ng	Allegra/Brian	6/1/2010
Mattke	Lynette & Manuel	4/15/2009	Tellez	Carlos & Rachel	10/15/2008
McCann	S. Tony & JoAnn	12/1/2008	Thompson	Janet & Sherica	6/15/2009
McCaw	Deb & Jeff	11/1/2008	Tiller	Elaine & Bob	4/15/2009
McClay	Brian & Sharon	11/1/2008	Tilson	Rich	12/1/2008
McClay	Ida & Bill	12/1/2008	Toledo	Elza	12/1/2008
McDonald	Sarah & Eric	11/1/2008	Topmiller	Margie, Greg, Alex	12/1/2008
McGuinness	Liz	4/15/2010	Tortorelli/Allen	Valeria & Jan	11/1/2009
McGuire	Juanita&John	5/1/2010	Townsend	Georgia	2/1/2009
McKee	Gloria & Kevin	12/1/2008	Tyler	Diane & James	4/15/2009
Metcalf	Anne & Ed	3/15/2009	Underwood	Janis & Michael	12/1/2008
Miller	Jolynne	10/15/2008	Vanhorne	Virginia	4/1/2009
Miller/Komatsoulis	Ann/George	4/15/2009	Varmer/Philbin	Jeanne & Ole	5/15/2009
Mitrano	Catherine & Nicholas	2/1/2010	Verburg	Denise	10/15/2008
Montemarano	Arlene	12/1/2009	Vogt	Marie & David	11/1/2008
Mookherji	Sangeeta & Sarbani	7/1/2009	Wallace/Vink	Kim & Robin	12/15/2008
Moorin	Bernard & Aida	6/1/2010	Walterman	Frances & Scott	12/15/2009
Morris	Anne & Willard	11/1/2008	Warburton	Karen	12/1/2008
Morris	Jeff&Jan	10/15/2008	Ward	Karen & David	11/1/2008
Morrison	Anita/William	12/1/2008	Washington	Susan	4/15/2010
Nader	Kristine & Richard	4/15/2009	Weaver	Marilyn	4/15/2009
Nasser	Michael & Hayat	12/1/2008	Weinzimer	Leah & Robert	10/16/2008
Neri	Judith & Umberton	5/15/2009	Weppler	Reid & Audrey	11/1/2008
Newhouse	Corliss	12/1/2008	Wertz	Pamela & Erik	11/1/2008
Niefeld	Todd & Chrissy	12/1/2009	Whalen	Jennifer	11/1/2008
Noyes	Kristin & Scott	4/15/2009	Whitlock/Jones	Victoria/Kevin	12/1/2008
Oriol/Andrews	Steve/Dare	9/1/2009	Wiliamwoski	Dorothy & Edward	5/15/2009
Orr	Lisa	4/15/2009	Williams	Emma	6/1/2009
Ortman-Fouse	Jill & David	11/1/2008	Wilson	David & Sue	11/1/2009
Paleologos	Peter & Elli	12/1/2008	Winfield	Frank & Dorothy	7/1/2010
Parachini	Elaine & Lawrence	8/15/2010	Winick/Carley	Iantha & Paul	10/6/2009
Peterman	Donnell & Michelle	12/1/2008	Wong	Sophia & Wylie	4/15/2009
Petz	Dena & Robert	2/1/2009	Wood	Robert & Kelly	5/1/2009
Pizer	Gerald & Stephany	2/1/2010	Woodhams	Jim & Marca	4/1/2009
Plank	Steve and Holly	11/1/2008	Woods	Dorothy & Kent	12/1/2008
Pokras	Bob & Olivia	4/15/2009	Wyss	Susanne	6/1/2009
Pritzlaff	Charles & Olivia	12/15/2008	YMCA Fam.Serv.		6/1/2009
Raue	Elaine & Francis	4/1/2009	Young/Holland	Dave/Stacey	5/1/2013
Ravitz	Karen & Alan	4/15/2009	Zaudtke	Mary Teresa & Peter	11/1/2008
Reser/Swope	David/Dom	3/1/2010	Zusman	Phyllis & Fred	10/1/2009
Reynolds	Pat & Bill	12/15/2008			
Riley	Mick & Kelly	12/1/2008			

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residents got off the bus on Colesville Road and Leighton avenue. He started walking on Leighton avenue (that is the 400 block) going east. Shortly after he started walking, he encountered four males. The victim has described at least one of the suspects as being in his late teens or early twenties and possibly Latino. One of them asked him to hand over his possessions. The resident started to run away and the alleged robber shot him. The resident initially thought it was a minor wound.

He called 911 and within minutes police in several cars met him near Franklin and Leighton. The police initiated a k-9 search, but did not find any trace of the suspects. He has subsequently reported that when he went to the hospital, the staff informed him that it was a .22 caliber bullet. Fortunately, the physical wound was not very serious. Nevertheless, this has been a very disturbing experience for this resident and his family.

I have spoken and emailed several times with a number of members of the Silver Spring 3rd district police division about this incident, including Commander Johnson, two lieutenants, a Sergeant, key detectives, and our community relations officer. All of them were initially very responsive to my requests and suggestions. A number of them have had several contacts with the resident and his family, including Commander Johnson.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the victim and his family as they deal with this terrible experience. We also pray that the police are able to capture these criminals.

How Neighbors (You!) Can Get Involved

National Night Out

For those of you who did/could not attend, Lt. Burnett addressed our neighborhood at National Night Out about general crime issues and how to keep safe. He then met separately with just the adults at National Night Out and discussed much of the information in this article. Also featured were crime prevention methods illustrated on large poster boards and heightened awareness about avoiding crime in our neighborhood.

ISCA Neighborhood Watch

ISCA and our neighborhood watch, including our president, Walter Gottlieb, and myself, take this event and the increase of thefts and burglaries extremely seriously, we have been working to assist the police with their investigation of the shooting and are committed to continuing to help fight crime and keep our neighborhood safe. Many of our other citizens have been helping the

family and/or have been supplying useful information to us, as they have in the past with other less serious crimes. This truly has been a community effort and as exemplified by the large turnout and interaction with the police leadership at National Night Out on August 5th. Since then, the police have not provided any additional details on the investigation of this incident as they do not want to compromise the investigation. However, they have increased patrols in this neighborhood in response to this and other incidents. While we urge neighbors to report suspicious activity directly to the police, we also urge you to communicate with your block captains and me to help facilitate the investigative process. As you are aware, details such as license plates, make and models of cars, descriptions of clothing such as color, and gender, approximate age, and number of potential suspects involved, are needed by police to make arrests and provide evidence in building a case.

We plan to soon have a future meeting with police leaders to talk further about crime in our neighborhood.

Recent Crime Statistics for the ISCA Neighborhood

The following is a summary of crimes that have occurred in our neighborhood between 5/22 and 8/16/08. Please note that the majority of the crimes involve vehicle thefts and burglaries, crimes that can be prevented if we all work together. This information is primarily based on data from crimereports.com compiled by Joyce Stocker of our neighborhood.

Breaking & entering	Vehicle burglary	Theft from vehicle	Theft	Theft of vehicle	Other *	Total
Total 6	7	10	3	2	2	30

* Includes an unspecified property crime and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon (the shooting).

Of the 16 streets where crime occurred, those with the most frequent serious crimes included in no definite order: Leighton Ave, Franklin Ave, Caroline Ave, Evergreen Street, Biltmore Ave, Normandy Drive, Brewster Ave, University Blvd., Hastings including the Y, E. Melbourne, and Moss Ave. So crime was pretty widespread in our neighborhood. I have shared this data with the Silver Spring Community Relations Officer, Joy Patil. I do not have data from previous years but it seems to me that crime has increased significantly this past year in this neighborhood. This is the first shooting that I can recall. Officer Patil will pull data from 2007 and 2008 and compare trends in our area.

What to Do If You Witness or Are Aware of A Crime Happening

If you see or know of a crime, or see something suspicious, please report it to the police immediately and also report to the listserv and to the block captain. If no one else reports it to the listserv, please take the initiative to report it. Some in our neighborhood are not comfortable in reporting such incidents. If need be, just list the block number, e.g., 400 block of Leighton. It is critical no matter what the seriousness of the incident, to report to the police. If for no other reason, the more calls the police get from a neighborhood, the more likely they will patrol and investigate. If you know of an arrest and then later a conviction, please let us know. Letting your neighbors know that progress has been made in solving a crime and that the perpetrator involved may not be committing the crime again, can really help us all feel better about working and living together in ISCA.

Crime Prevention in ISCA

Based on my years of involvement and experience, I have the following advice for the neighborhood. Please visit our website iscaonline.com and review the neighborhood watch section. There are very useful materials, including a valuable article by Washington Consumer Checkbook on making your home more secure.

Join our neighborhood watch. There is material on the website with a list of current block captains (see below). There is very little time expected of a block captain. Even if there is already a block captain, we can use more than one per block. To volunteer, please contact Michelle Gins at michelle.gins@gmail.com or 301-495-7881 or myself at thausner@gmail.com or 301-587-6943.

One final note, here is a brief recap of what Lt. Burnett said at National Night Out:

- Residents are the eyes and ears of the police. Report suspicious activities or persons (and noises) to the police at once by calling 9-1-1. The calls go into a queue according to priority; so you don't have to worry that your call will tie up resources for responding to actual emergencies.
- Go with your gut feeling about what's suspicious or unusual and don't be afraid to report something that might turn out to be nothing. The police will check it out.

- Be cautious when walking the dog, taking a walk, or jogging at night, and try not to go alone late at night.
- Join ISCA's Neighborhood Watch program and become a block captain.

In a subsequent email, here is his advice on dealing with thefts from vehicles:

1. Take all valuables out of your car or remove from sight (during the day) when you leave your vehicle and lock your vehicle at all times.
2. Do not leave spare change in the center console.
3. Remove all computer equipment from your vehicle (lap tops, PDU, I-Pods etc)
4. Remove your portable GPS from the vehicle, and the mounts you place on the windshield. (Do not place in Glove compartment, take in house)

Our watch brochure provides further guidance, e.g., on what is suspicious activities. The National Crime Prevention Council also has useful information.

Block Captains

Block captains have the following responsibilities. They primarily are a point of contact if any crime or

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suspicious activity occurs on the block. In addition to posting information on the Indian Spring listserv, the residents of the block would notify the captain or ask them about such activity. Secondary duties that are helpful but not essential are to convene a meeting of your block so that everyone knows each other, hand out once every couple of years the watch brochure, put together a list of residents on the block, and let your block know of the availability of an engraver. Many blocks have block parties that serve the meeting goal. These activities only require a few hours per year at most.

Blocks with confirmed Captains (47)

- Baden Street: 200–224 (Caroline Ave. to Worth Ave.)—Walter Gottlieb
- Biltmore Drive: 9401–9413—Bernie Moorin
- Biltmore Drive: 9500–9521 (Franklin Ave. to E. Indian Spring Dr.)—Fred Zusman
- Brewster Avenue: 200–220 (Worth Ave. to Caroline Ave.)—Tony & Toba Hausner & Jerry Edgely
- Brewster Avenue: 300–400s (Colesville Rd. to Worth, including Brewster Pl.)—Linda Collins
- Caroline Avenue: 9405–9503 (Franklin Ave. to Brewster Ave.)—Vicki Adamson & Vanessa Krabacher
- Caroline Avenue: 9505–9517 (Brewster Ave. to Indian Spring Dr.)—Enid & Mike Nolan
- Clearview Place: 9600–9619 (Flower Ave. to E. Granville Dr.)—Stephanie Peterson
- E. Franklin Avenue: 200–305 (Seminole St. to University Blvd.)—Bernie Moorin
- E. Granville Drive: 4–12 (Flower Ave. to Clearview Pl.)—Beth Siniawsky
- E. Indian Spring Dr.: 3–110 (Flower Ave. to Biltmore Dr.)—Azeb Seifu
- E. Indian Spring Dr.: 200–214 (Biltmore Dr. to University Blvd.)—Fred Zusman
- E. Melbourne Avenue : 404–416 (Long Branch Pkwy to Univ. Blvd.)—Sharyn Moreau
- Evergreen Street: 9503–9519 (Franklin Ave. to E. Indian Spring Dr.)—Kelly Kilmer
- Evergreen Street: 9600–9624 (E. Indian Spring Dr. to Garwood St.)—Barbara & Dave Bounara
- Flower Avenue: 9500–9519 (Franklin Ave. to Indian Spring Dr.)—Kay Anderson
- Flower Avenue: 9600–9625 (Indian Spring Dr. to Granville Dr.)—Mary Anne Hess
- Franklin Avenue: 307–403 (Colesville to Leighton Ave.)—Amy Lilly
- Franklin Place (off Leighton Ave) - Sharon Theimer
- Garwood Street: 9500–9518 (E. Franklin Ave. to E. Indian Spring Dr.)—Ed Freestone
- Granville Drive: 4–14 (Flower Ave. to Lawndale Dr.)—Meghan Crowley
- Granville Drive: 102–122 (Lawndale Dr. to Caroline Ave.)—Maura Kane
- Granville Drive: 200–229 (Caroline Ave. to Hastings Dr.)—Feliz Contreras
- Granville Drive: 301–303 (Hastings Ave. to Colesville Rd.)—David Ward
- Hastings Drive: 9613–9708 (Normandy Dr. to Shorey Rd.)—David Ward
- Indian Spring Drive: 1–100 (Flower Ave. to Wire Ave.)—George & Linda Gimourginas
- Indian Spring Drive: 101–121 (Wire Ave. to Caroline Ave.)—Gail Boyar/Jim Woodhams

- Indian Spring Drive: 201–213 (Caroline Ave. to Saginaw Ave.)—Robert & Ann Bullock
- Indian Spring Drive: 210–311 (Saginaw Ave. to Colesville Rd.)—Kirk Esherick
- Lawndale Drive: 9619–9630 (Flower Ave. to Granville Dr., including Lawndale Court)—Heather Powers Sauter
- Lawndale Drive: 9700–9711 (Granville Dr. to Fairway Pl.)—Jennifer Holland
- Lawson Place: 9701–9709 (Granville Dr. to Fairway Pl.)—Pat & Bill Reynolds
- Leighton Avenue: 300–317 (Franklin Ave. to Worth Ave.)—Steve Pierce
- Leighton Avenue: 400–410 (Worth Ave. to Colesville Rd., including Leighton Pl.)—Dave Reser
- Marshall Avenue 9700-9710 (Granville Dr. to the Rec Center)—Heanne and Steve Galbraith
- Moss Avenue: 9900–9960 (E. Melbourne Ave. to University Blvd.)—Sharyn Moreau
- Normandy Drive: 3–9 (Flower Ave. to Lawndale Dr.)—Roy Best
- Normandy Drive: 100–127 (Lawndale Dr. to Caroline Ave.)—Chaz Miller & Arlene Gottlieb
- Normandy Drive: 200–311 (Caroline Ave. to Hastings Dr.)—Marian Lally
- Saginaw Avenue: 9500–9511 (Brewster Ave. to Indian Spring Dr.)—Robert & Ann Bullock
- Saybrook Avenue: 9501–9509 (Franklin Ave. to Indian Spring Dr.)—Amy & Tariq Shaver
- Seminole Street: 9400–9413 (Dearborn Ave. to E. Franklin Ave., including 9325 Long Branch Pkwy)—Margaret McDermott
- Seminole Street: 9500–9521 (Franklin Ave. to E. Indian Spring Dr.)—Penny Ganzel
- Shorey Road: 220–228—David Ward
- Wire Avenue: 9408–9509 (Franklin Ave. to Indian Spring Dr.)—Normandy Bragan
- Wire Avenue: 9600–9614 (Indian Spring Dr. to Normandy Ave.)—Chaz Miller & Arlene Gottlieb
- Worth Avenue: 9404–9505 (Leighton Ave. to Indian Spring Dr.)—Anne Morris

Blocks without Captains: (15)

- Biltmore Drive: 9300–9413 (Long Branch Pkwy to E. Franklin Ave.)
- Colesville Road: 9400–9421 (Franklin Ave. to Leighton Ave)
- Colesville Road: 9500–9609 (Leighton Ave. to Normandy Dr.)
- Dearborn Avenue: 200–305 (Long Branch Pkwy to Univ. Blvd)
- E. Franklin Avenue: 9–108 (Flower Ave. to Seminole St.)
- Franklin Avenue: 1–23 (Flower Ave. to Wire Ave.)
- Franklin Avenue: 101–121 (Caroline Ave. to Wire Ave.)
- Franklin Avenue: 201–215 (Leighton Ave. to Caroline Ave.)
- Garwood Street: 9400–9413 (Dearborn Ave. to E. Franklin Ave.)
- Garwood Street: 9600–9609 (E. Indian Spring Dr. to Evergreen St.)
- Ocala Avenue: 9403–9516 (Franklin Ave. to Indian Spring Dr.)
- Saybrook Avenue: 9501–9509 (Franklin Ave. to Indian Spring Dr.)
- University Blvd. East: 213–235 (Beltway to E. Franklin Ave.)
- University Blvd. East: 301–331 (E. Franklin Ave. to E. Melbourne Ave.)
- Worth Avenue: 9300–9318 (Franklin Ave. to Leighton Ave.)

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<i>My Listing</i>	9616 Flower Avenue	\$515,000	\$480,000	Colonial	3	2	1
	9412 Garwood Street	\$424,900	\$415,500	Cape Cod	4	2	
<i>My Listing</i>	9705 Fairway Avenue	\$579,000	\$580,000	Colonial	3	2	1
	9409 Caroline Avenue	\$569,000	\$542,500	Cape Cod	4	2	
<i>My Listing</i>	9603 Clearview Place	\$515,000	\$477,000	Colonial	3	3	
	9940 Moss Avenue	\$354,900	\$340,000	Cape Cod	5	2	1
	9521 Seminole Street	\$610,000	\$610,000	Colonial	3	2	1
	9622 Flower Avenue	\$564,247	\$565,000	Colonial	3	2	1
	9937 Moss Avenue	\$450,000	\$445,000	Cape Cod	3	3	
	9935 Moss Avenue	\$459,000	\$459,000	Cape Cod	3	2	

Partial List of Indian Spring Homes Currently Under Contract/Active *

Address	List Price	Status	Style	BR	FB	HB
9404 Ocala Street	\$475,000	Contract	Rambler	3	3	
9624 Flower Avenue	\$550,000	Contract	Colonial	4	1	1
119 Indian Spring Drive	\$550,000	Contract	Colonial	3	1	2
9605 Clearview Place	\$449,900	Active	Colonial	5	3	1
235 University Boulevard E	\$405,000	Active	Colonial	5	2	1
9405 Seminole Street	\$449,999	Active	Colonial	3	2	1
9614 Lawndale Court	\$459,500	Active	Colonial	3	2	1
9411 Flower Avenue	\$579,900	Active	Cape Cod	5	2	1
9613 Clearview Place	\$509,000	Active	Colonial	3	1	1
16 Indian Spring Drive	\$530,000	Active	Colonial	3	2	1

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