

NEWTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY WATCH
MINUTES FOR JANUARY 2018 MEETING
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We held our first NNSW meeting in 2018 last night (Tuesday, 16 Jan '18) from 7-8PM at the NECA Recreation Center. We had a good turnout, and discussed several things of interest as indicated below:

- Officer Ancog advised that each District sets a crime “threshold”, and District 3 has just about reached theirs. However, a recent arrest of 3 “bad guys” working in the Aiea and Pearl Harbor areas will hopefully result in the number of crimes committed in District 3 to fall well below the threshold again.
- Officer Ancog advised that he could not explain the difference between theft via larceny and theft via fraud because HPD does not use these terms. We see them only in conjunction with reports received from the National CrimeMapping reporting system.
- Officer Ancog then advised that HPD reps are available to participate in various community events. He discussed “Lunch with the Law” which was started by the Waikele Community. Once a month an HPD rep meets with interested Community residents (usually about 25) and he/she makes a presentation on items of interest to the attendees. The Waikele Community Association covers the cost of the lunch and provides the facility for the meeting. I requested Officer Ancog to please ask the Manager at Waikele who started this program to give me a call so we can gather information for possible presentation to the NECA General Manager to initiate a similar program in Newtown Estates Community Association.
- We then discussed our next proposed Safety & Security Program for NECA residents. We discussed various presenter options, with the subject of emergency management being the favored one. More

information will be forthcoming as a plan materializes. We are looking at a weekday morning at the end of April at this point.

- Our Block Captain in charge of resolving the “mailbox in the lobby” issue with both NECA and the US Postal Service indicated that the wheels are turning, albeit slowly.
- One of our Block Captains in attendance provided a hand-out his wife received recently at a presentation by the Head of the Emergency Management Agency, which provides “what do I do immediately up receipt of a warning notification” and also provides a guideline for “how to prepare for the first two weeks after the event” .
- I advised that the entire Newtown Estates Community Association neighborhood (2500+ residences) had reported only 64 crimes to HPD in all of 2017. This compares to 62 in 2016, 88 in 2015, 98 in 2014, 70 in 2013, and 66 in 2012. But we have to remember that of these 64 reported crimes, 13 were crimes in categories we were not receiving reports on until CrimeMapping changed their reports in late 2016. So, for comparison purposes our “normally” reported crimes totaled only 51 for 2017.
- NEXT MEETING: Our next scheduled NNSW meeting will be Tuesday, 20 March 2018.