

NEWTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY WATCH
MINUTES FOR MARCH 2018 MEETING
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The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. The attendance was very small due to people travelling and illness. The following was discussed:

- **CAR BREAK-INS** -- Officer Ancog discussed an increase in car break-ins in the USS Arizona Visitor Center, Waialeale Premium Outlets (upper part), and Pearlridge Shopping Center areas. In most cases, it is a “smash (window) and grab (visible valuables)” or just going around trying doors to find ones that aren’t locked. Usually it is rental cars (tourists) that are targeted, except at Pearlridge.
- **STORAGE FACILITIES** - A storage facility in Waipio had units broken into. Thieves broke/dug through the outside walls into the units. In previous cases at other storage facilities, thieves merely rented a storage unit and then had access to the facility, oftentimes 24/7.
- **CHILD KIDNAPPING/SEXUAL ASSAULT** - There was a recent kidnapping/sexual assault case with a child at Ala Moana Shopping Center. This is a good reminder to make sure younger kids are accompanied by/watched at all times when out in public. Bad things do happen in Hawaii! Discuss “Stranger Danger” situations/strategies with all kids. Make sure you know what your kids are doing on social media. Don’t let them put too much personal information on the web.
- **NNSW & NECA SECURITY & SAFETY PROGRAM** - Our next program will be on Disaster Preparedness on Friday, April 27, 2018, from 9-11 a.m. in the Upstairs Lounge of the recreation center. A representative from the Oahu Department of Emergency Management will be our speaker, with possible “fill in” about how the Honolulu Police Department fits in during an emergency, provided by our own, Officer Ancog.

The following “jobs” were spoken for -- 1) refreshments - Eileen and Jeanne; 2) lei - Jeanne; 3) water dispenser - Jan (is that okay with you Jan?); sign-in - Claire; and chair set-up and take-down - all available Block Captains. We still need somebody to be responsible for picking up our trash and putting it in the NECA dumpster when the event is over. Hopefully our speaker will be able to provide a microphone and “machine” to display slides if he needs one. Refreshment people - remember that NECA will provide up to \$50 reimbursement for event costs. Block Captains - if you intend to come, even if it is to help, please sign up with the Front Desk as there is a person limit upstairs of 150. I think this program is going to be a big draw! We are discussing a second presentation on an evening in May for those residents who work during the day. Please let me know if I’ve forgotten anything on this subject.

- **NEXT MEETING:** Our next scheduled NNSW meeting will be Tuesday, May 15, 2018.