**We had another very productive North Hampton Neighbors Network (NHNN) meeting on 9/26. I received the notes and wanted to share them with all of you.  Also, our next meeting is 10/24 at 6 pm at Machacek Library Conference Rm. If you have any questions, please let me know. Hope to see you then.**

**9/26 North Hampton Neighbors Network meeting:**

\*\*Presentation by Officer Gus Karagiannis.  He is our community outreach officer/2nd district with our police department. He encourages us to call with ongoing problems, providing as much detail as possible.  His contact info:  phone 314-444-0161; email: [GKARAGIANNIS@SLMPD.ORG](mailto:GKARAGIANNIS@SLMPD.ORG). Our 2nd district captain is Mike Mueller.

**If you wish to get on his periodic crime alert emails, contact Officer Gus at**[**gkaragiannis@slmpd.org**](mailto:gkaragiannis@slmpd.org)**.**

**I am attaching several sheets that he gave us on Citizens Service Bureau info, when to call 911 or non-emergency number info, burglary prevention tips, 2nd district special bulletins, and auto theft safety tips. He also mentioned that you can get a club for your auto at the Five Star Senior Center located at 2832 Arsenal St. (open Monday – Friday 8-3 each day) for $15.**

\*\*Oct 4 is National Night Out.

 Flyer presented by Marilyn (see attached):  Block Party 6-9pm, Tuesday, Oct. 4,  on 5000 Block of Parker at Brannon.  BYOB, lawnchair, snacks to share. Meet new and old neighbors!   Please attend and support neighbors who are building stronger communities!!

\*\*Nick from State Representative Donna Baringer's office let us know she will be attending our next meeting (Oct 24) and will explain the latest State budget . Come with any questions on how our money is being spent and how we can effectively get funding for what is important for our neighborhoods.

\*\*Ann Rolf passed out a survey to determine our members' concerns for the neighborhood.  Also what interests and skills they want to contribute towards solutions. This will be ongoing and  help us plan community activities.

\*\*We had a sign-up for volunteers who want to help maintain the sapling trees in Tilles Park. 6 people signed up!  These have been passed on to Michael Lapusan who coordinated and planted 100 trees in the park. He will follow-up with folks.

We also talked other possible future activities including art in the park information table, social gatherings, spring cleaning at the parks, and future speakers (possibly Rep. Peter Merideth who also represents part of Northampton, possibly Alderman Joe Vollmer who will take on our area in the Spring 2023).

**If you would like to be on the agenda, please contact Tina Wong at**[**tinaawong@gmail.com**](mailto:tinaawong@gmail.com)

Above is end of 1pg summary that went out.

Below is addition from Teresa Heilich on Oct 21:

With crime substantially on the rise in the North Hampton/Kingshighway Hills neighborhoods (with vehicle, license plate (us), catalytic converter, and garage tool/equipment thefts (us) being the most common**), I would like to request two small things of you:**

1. Would you consider attending the once-a-month Northampton Neighbors Network meetings?  Currently, we meet at Machacek Library at 6424 Scanlan (at Watson), though that may change in the future.  The next meeting is **Monday**, **Oct. 24, 6-7:45 pm at 6424 Scanlon Ave**.  We gather to hear a speaker, ask questions and discuss issues important to the neighborhood.  In these days of high crime, it’s important that we get to know our neighbors, support each other and do what we can to deter criminals.  I urge you to attend and get involved, if at all possible. Bring a friend and spread the word.
2. The law enforcement officer that spoke at our most recent meeting strongly recommended everyone **turn on their front porch lights at night** to help light up the block.  With the tall trees on our block often shading out the street lights, it is crucial that we at least light up the fronts of our homes.  As crimes are frequently committed in darkness, would you join me, if you’re not doing so already, in lighting up our neighborhood?  It may help to deter some crime on our nice homes. He  also recommended **putting up a RING or other video system to watch your property**. The police do review the videos. He recommended **motion detector lights for the front and back yards, garages**.