



NEWSLETTER 10

18 April 2008

Dear Resident

In the week of 08 April-14 April , **24** calls were made from VICTORY PARK to **086 18 000 18**. Our target is **100 calls per week** - let's keep on calling to report any suspicious activity. Please get **everyone** to call. This week, not one Domestic nor child called our Control Room. We need to shift our mindset from assuming others will protect us. More calls means **less** crime - it's as simple as that.

BLACKOUT BLOCKWATCH

We would like to introduce a **second** shift for Blockwatch on the nights that Victory Park has load shedding. We would prefer to keep this roster separate from the regular roster. The second shift will operate from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. We are therefore appealing to you to **VOLUNTEER** for occasional extra shifts. Please contact Mickie (083 451 9176) or Melanie (082 451 4197) if you are prepared to support this additional (and we hope temporary) Blockwatch.

DEBIT ORDERS AND RESIDENT INFORMATION

Even if you have already signed a debit order, please make sure to contact your street captain to provide your telephone numbers and e-mail address to ensure that you are receiving information.

FUNDRAISING update!

Victory Park CAP has signed up approximately **90** debit orders, yielding just over

R67 500.00 per month in contributions. **WELL DONE AND THANK YOU !! TO ALL OF THOSE RESIDENTS THAT SIGNED.**

Since the vehicle costs over R160 000 per month to run, we require at least another **130** debit orders to break even. Remember that if we don't receive your financial support, we stand a chance of losing our security!

Thank YOU To Steven Goldberg from First Badge for sponsoring the embroidered VICTORY PARK CAP badges and caps for the VP CAP staff. **Thank YOU** to Azar from the Sunnyside Garage for his ongoing support!

The committee would like to wish all the Jewish Residents a happy and kosher Pesach!!

CRIME STATISTICS

BRILLIANT!! Since launching VPCAP on 22 March 2008, there have been **NO** reported incidents in the VPCAP demarcated area. On Saturday the 12th of March, there was a stabbing near Beaconsfield Club, and our **SUPER VPCAP PATROL TEAM**, apprehended the two suspects and arrested them, they then handed them over to the SAPS Linden. Well done **GUYS**, Great Job!!

BE ALERT

Make sure that you remember details of any activity you spot.

BE RESPONSIVE

Call **086 18 000 18** to report all suspicious activity. Don't make a judgement, don't delay - if you see two or more males walking or driving together, call it in to **086 18 000 18**.

BE RESPONSIBLE

Do not leave gates or garage doors open. Do not spend too much time saying goodbye to guests. Do not leave children unsupervised in public spaces. Only with the community taking accountability for its own actions can we ultimately succeed in our battle against crime. Tell your family, friends, relatives, housemates, staff - anyone who lives or travels through the Victory Park areas:

TWO OR MORE MALES WALKING OR DRIVING TOGETHER MUST BE REPORTED TO

086 18 000 18.

MAKE IT A SPEED DIAL ON YOUR PHONE NOW!

There's no such thing as too many calls

There's no such thing as a false alarm

There's no such thing as being too cautious.

When returning home from any risk area, drive around the block - any block, even a small one - before driving into your driveway. This simple tactic will make it obvious whether the vehicle you see in your rear-view mirror is following you. It only takes about 30 seconds of your time, but could save your life!

PICNIC IN THE PARK.
PLEASE DIAIRISE THIS!

Sunday 18 May at 11h00



RSVP: lauretta@adoutpost.co.za

Bring your family, picnic basket and blanket.

Use the Entrance at Road no.3 & Road No.5 at the SWINGS, straight ahead!!!

FOR THE COMMUNITY - BY THE COMMUNITY

DOMESTIC WATCH

Penny Steyn was a victim of crime when two people tried to strangle her on Heritage Day in October 2001. In Parkview, where she started her training, Penny has had enormous success working with the Police and to quote Superintendent Loubser from Parkview Police Station: *"Penny has done what no one else has been able to do and her training has become the talk of the town in local police circles.* Penny is regularly invited to be a motivational speaker in the Corporate Business environment. Her motto is:

"Lets get MAD and Make a Difference!" - Penny Steyn and Associates

*The committee will fund the **first** four lessons, Domestic and their employers can choose to continue afterwards by paying R20 a head per lesson. (32 lessons in Total) Penny suggested the last Friday of the month at 2pm. Minimum 40 and more people to proceed with the mini - introductory course. If you are interested to enroll your domestic please send an e-mail to lauretta@adoutpost.co.za. We will inform you about the venue and dates.*

Topics:

1. Know Your Neighbour - Our first lesson given in each new suburb - a critically important lesson and some extremely important messages come from this first presentation
2. Habits and Routines - this covers all aspects of security that the domestics need to implement
3. Who is Attacking You and What to Do - this covers what kind of tactics are used and methods of getting through to the properties.
4. Make a Commitment to Yourself - this is a controversial power packed presentation that will motivate the domestics to take full responsibility for becoming the security of the properties where they work and live.

URGENT: WARNING!!!

JOHANNESBURG WATER WARNING ISSUED.

TO ALL VICTORY PARK RESIDENTS,
PLEASE BE ADVISED: AN URGENT WATER WARNING HAS JUST BEEN
ISSUED BY JHB WATER TODAY ,18TH APRIL 2008.

ALL WATER TO BE BOILED BEFORE USE!!!

PRESS RELEASE!

Johannesburg Water (JW), the Municipal Owned Entity responsible for water and sanitation services in the city, wishes to inform residents living in our supply area of Northcliff, Fairlands, Cresta, Linden, Blairgowrie and surrounding areas of a possibility of water quality being compromised.

This was picked up during our routine drinking water sampling exercise. It is through this rigorous testing and monitoring process that JW is able to respond quickly to any water quality problems. This exercise ensures that the quality of every drop of water that passes through our network per day is well within the drinking water standard SANS 241 Drinking Water Quality. JW is currently conducting further investigations within the affected supply.

Whilst this further investigation is ongoing, the residents are advised, as a precautionary measure, to boil their water before consumption and to limit exposure to sensitive groups such as babies and the sick. Residents will be notified when it is again safe to drink the water without boiling.

JW apologizes for the inconvenience caused and wants to assure customers that we will ensure compliance to quality standards in the shortest time possible.

JW is well poised to meet the challenges of this growing City. We remain committed to ensuring that service levels improve continuously as we strive towards providing Johannesburg, Africa's World Class City, with world class water and sanitation services. Residents can obtain more information by calling the company's 24 Customer Service on 011 688 1500 to obtain a full list of affected surrounding areas.

Regards and stay safe,

Victory Park CAP Committee

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