

Leilani Neighborhood Watch Newsletter—April 2009

Hi Neighbor,

Through the efforts of our Neighborhood Watch volunteers and increased community police presence the past month we only had a single robbery on Kahukai street while the Puna district overall has experienced increases in burglaries (52 reported), vandalisms (38 reported), and thefts (59 reported). Please join us in thanking police chief Harry Kubojiri for additional Puna police officers and his continued support of the community policing efforts.

Thanks to everyone that attended our meeting March 31st to wish Roberta a final N/Watch farewell. Her many years of commitment and dedication to making Leilani Estates a safe place to live will certainly be missed !

We are getting more and more complaints about aggressive dogs either not tied up or fenced and running at large on other residents' property. Leilani has a 'leash law' that we need everyone's help to enforce. We've requested the Humane Society's assistance during the month of May to target Leilani Estate to round up any loose dogs so hopefully that will help.

Our Community Center is looking better daily thanks to a small group of resident volunteers building new picnic tables and re-painting the playground equipment. YES, the seesaw will be back in place soon along with a tetherball for all to enjoy.

We want to continue the eradication efforts of Miconia plants that appear around our properties so if you see any growing on the vacant lots please call Jean at the Community Center so we can remove them.

At our last Neighborhood Watch meeting we were given an update on the Puna Geothermal Venture business and per that update several residents have requested that we organize a tour of the PGV plant. If you are interested in joining us one afternoon next month email us at leilaniwatch@live.com.

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Our Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members have been busy the past month attending training on incident management systems and will be volunteers in a mock WMD exercise later this month as we prepare ourselves for any future emergencies. If you are concerned that we may have another local wild fire, lava flow, earthquake, or coastal hurricane that we are not prepared for please join our team and help us to get equipped and organized –email us at **leilanicert@live.com**.

We want to distribute this newsletter via email as we move forward, so please continue to send your email contact to : leilaniwatch@live.com

Upcoming events :

- April 28—Neighborhood Watch monthly meeting @ 7pm at the Community Center. We need more patrol volunteers, so please come join us
- May 2—Community Garage sale 0700-11am at the Pavilion. Come to buy or sell !
- May 7—Leilani Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- May 16—Community trash pick-up starting at 0800 from the Comm. Center

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