

High Point Civic Association
Sandy Springs, Georgia
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To preserve and enhance the integrity of our neighborhood by maintaining a consistent and unified adherence to sound land use.



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Community Safety Meeting Notes

Tuesday, April 22nd, 2008

At our Community Safety Meeting, we heard outstanding presentations from SS Police Sergeant Scott Levy, Officers Vik and Head, who are members of the H.E.A.T. team, SS Traffic Division. We learned about impaired driving causes and consequences. Bottom line: these guys are doing a super job enforcing the law and you don't want to get stopped by them. They told us that driving under the influence of prescription drugs is a serious problem. If they have not done a presentation at your child's school, please ask the administrators to invite them.

Another outstanding presentation was given by SS Police Investigator Jeff Thomas, the Gang Team leader, (officers devoted to gang problems) said they are not aware of gangs currently operating in this neighborhood. However, they are active around 285, especially to the north. We have had indications in recent past, with graffiti near Ridgeview School and Baroque Cir and on the 400 overpass bridge. Also, someone stated they heard of a gang operating on Roswell Rd, south of 285; Jeff will follow up and wants us to call SS Police with any reports.

Jeff discussed the way gangs operate and displayed gang signs (tattoos, symbols, etc.) for parents to watch out for. He also brought a display of bandannas taken from gang members (different colors for each gang).

What can parents do? Jeff asks that parents request school officials invite his team to make presentations to the students. Some schools have been hesitant and parents need to speak up.

Jeff will be at our HPCA Festival on April 27th, Sunday afternoon, along with other SWAT team members and it would be a good time to talk to him about gang activity.

Report from Council member McEnery re: 911 and SS Financials:

For "information on the new 911 and Ambulance services as well as hearing from the Fire Chief on response times in our district ; the police on gang activity (it's moved North of I-285 for the time being) and a current financial summary of the City's operations , please access the attached link on the SS web site.

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