

Cantiague Elementary PTA Meeting

Wednesday, 03/02/2022 | 07:00 pm | *President: Jennifer Camhi*

Agenda

Cantiague families and west birchwood neighbors coming together to discuss protection and safety of our neighborhood.

School and PTA updates.

Board

Dr. Sapienza, Michael Adrian, Jennifer Camhi, Chris Lovelace from PDCN joined us for the meeting along with west birchwood residents and Cantiague families to discuss protection and safety of our neighborhood in the light of recent incidents.

Officer Chris Lovelace introduced himself and thanked Jennifer Camhi and Michael Adrian for putting together the meeting on a quick notice. He mentioned it is very important to get the word out about the recent incidents and make our families aware of the recent crimes around the neighborhood. Crime analysts scanned the cases at the headquarters with inspectors and deputy inspectors and found the following stats:

2 residential robberies - 2021

None - 2022

2 residential burglaries - 2021

2 residential burglaries - 2022

3 commercial burglaries - 2021

None - 2022

Make sure your car is locked, keep your car key out. They roam around the streets pulling doors. The main target areas are Jeicho, Brookville, Syosset, Muttontown, Old Westbury. They look for the open side view mirrors which is usually in the cse when the car is unlocked. Some people also keep their garage door remote in the car, which means if the car is unlocked the thieves will get access to your house too. Officer Lovelace stressed upon keeping your cars locked and keeping the key in the house. Even if you visit a grocery store, make sure to turn off engine and lock the car. If the car is stolen, by the time you figure that out and call 911, the car already reaches NJ.

He mentioned, they have tried to rectify and made some arrests too but there s a big group targeting our neighborhood.

Burglaries have subsided but they still look for cash business families. If you see a car outside that you feel doesn't belong to our neighborhood or look suspicious in any way, say out of NY license plate or paper license plate, call 911 right away.

There has been a pattern that shows they are hitting people with cash.

They look for houses that are dark and no noise from inside. Try leaving your tv or radio on or a light that goes on automatically around 5 o'clock. They hate dogs too. They usually break in from the back door.

Response time for 911 is usually 2-5 minutes unless the circumstances are different, like a heart attack call which is given more priority over theft calls.

Three police posts cover our entire area. 210, 209 and 213.

Cameras and security always helps, not just for you but also for any incidents that may happen on your street.

Jennifer Camhi thanks everyone and concludes the first part of the meeting.

Dr. Sapienza gives the updates.

First day with change in protocol and ease in mask mandate. There was a meeting of the administrative cabinet and a faculty meeting at school to discuss the health and safety of staff and kids. **Our morning began with student-led announcements in celebration of World Language Week.** I addressed our faculty and students to extend the message of respecting and appreciating any family or individual's decision to wear or not wear a mask. I explained how we respect each other as individuals and the decisions we make. I want to recognize and thank our faculty and staff who were diligent in keeping an eye and ear open for any student questions or concerns throughout the day. During today's visits to classrooms, I was pleased to see students laughing, learning, and enjoying their time at school. Over the next days and weeks, we will continue to monitor our students and emphasize the same sentiments of understanding and respect.

Jennifer camhi announces the great news about our upcoming Aloha event. Parents who make a purchase of tickets will get to see a very special video of their kids that will be featured during the event, produced by a production company with music and animation.

Enjoy an evening together full of laughter and fun. We have partnered with a production company for a virtual, adult-only gala that will feature:

- interactive mixology workshop
- high-tech gameshow with prizes
- professionally produced videos of our students!

Our Preferred Box Ticket entry includes a fun-filled Aloha Box, FIVE raffle tickets, AND access to a free BONUS family event on April 25th! You'll get everything you need for TWO people to participate alongside our expert mixologist (to make our custom non-alcoholic mocktail) and includes other themed surprises! *Additional raffle tickets are available for purchase.*

We have an amazing lineup of prizes for the raffles, game show, and the silent and live auctions!

Game Show Prizes will be announced two weeks prior to our event.

Silent Auction items will open one week prior to our event. **SCROLL all the way DOWN PAST TICKET OPTIONS** to take a look at all of our amazing silent auction items!

Live Auction items will happen during the event!

Raffle Draws will happen during the event - see descriptions under Preferred / Premier Boxes and Raffle Tickets for current list of prizes!!