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Florida CPTED Network Newsletter

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FCN 2006 Seminar & Election Results

A great turnout for this years 2006 seminar! Thanks to everyone involved and to all of our speakers. Congratulations and best of luck to our new chair, new board members, and to all that participated in the election. The 2007-2008 FCN Board of Directors....

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I would like to thank CPTED Ontario for their gracious hospitality while I attended their 2006 conference. The conference was well attended with excellent speakers and topics. This has become a bit of a tradition with representatives from the FCN attending the last three CPTED Ontario conferences. While there, I was asked to speak about the upcoming United States CPTED Conference and the Florida CPTED Network. I also highlighted our involvement with LEEPAC in California

FCN Past Chair Art Hushen with CPTED Ontario President Tom McKay and the Board of Directors



11th Annual Florida Neighborhoods Conference

June 14 - 16, 2007

Sarasota, Florida

HYATT
City of Sarasota Municipal Auditorium

Hosted by the
 City of Sarasota
 Sarasota County
 Manatee County
 SCOPE

JUNE MEETING REMINDER **Thursday June 14, 2007**

The Florida CPTED Network meeting will be held at the Hyatt on Sarasota Bay in conjunction with the Florida Neighborhoods Conference. Do not forget to make arrangements to attend. Additional information will be posted on the FCN web site at www.flcpted.org

Check the FCN web site at
www.flcpted.org

Other web sites to check out!!

Designing Out Crime Association
www.doca.org.uk
 European Designing Out Crime Association
www.e-doca.eu
 American Planning Association
www.planning.org

Training Announcements

Advanced CPTED Training

WHEN: April 18 - 20, 2007

WHERE: Orlando, Florida. The course will be held at the Rosen Plaza 9700 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819. For hotel reservations call 1-800-627-8258. The room rate is \$92 single or double + 12.5% tax. Room block is lifted thirty days prior to class.

OFFERED BY: The National Institute of Crime Prevention. Tuition is \$395. For additional information please check our web site at www.nicp.net

Advanced CPTED Training

WHEN: June 11 - 13, 2007

WHERE: Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. The course will be held at the Sheraton Suites Cypress Creek, 555 NW 62nd Street, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309. For reservations call 954-772-5400. The room rate is \$87 and the reservations must be made by May 20, 2007

OFFERED BY: The Florida Attorney General's Office. Tuition is \$265. For additional information contact the Florida Crime Prevention Training Institute at 850-414-3359.

United States Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Conference.

WHEN: July 30 – August 1, 2007

WHERE: Las Vegas, Nevada. The conference will be held at the Riviera Hotel and Casino 2901 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, NV 89109. For hotel reservations call 1-800-634-6753. The room rate is \$79 single or double + 9% tax. Room block is lifted June 30, 2007

OFFERED BY: The National Institute of Crime Prevention. Early registration fee is \$350. Registration after June 30, 2007 is \$395. For additional information please check our web site at www.nicp.net

Basic CPTED Training

WHEN: September 26 - 28, 2007

WHERE: Orlando, Florida. The course will be held at the Rosen Plaza 9700 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819. For hotel reservations call 1-800-627-8258. The room rate is \$95 single or double + 13.5% tax. Room block is lifted August 24, 2007.

OFFERED BY: The National Institute of Crime Prevention. Tuition is \$395. For additional information please check our web site at www.nicp.net

CPTED Update

WHEN: October 1, 2007

WHERE: St. Augustine, Florida. The course will be held at the Comfort Suites World Golf Village, 475 Commerce Lake Drive. St. Augustine, FL 32095. For reservations call 904-940-9500. The room rate is \$87.96 and the reservations must be made by September 2007.

OFFERED BY: The Florida Attorney General's Office. Tuition is \$125. For additional information contact the Florida Crime Prevention Training Institute at 850-414-3359.

Basic CPTED Training

WHEN: November 28 - 30, 2007

WHERE: Las Vegas, NV. The course will be held at the Excalibur Hotel 3850 Las Vegas Blvd. South Las Vegas, NV 89109. For hotel reservations call 1-877-750-5464. The room rate is \$57 single or double + 9% tax and \$5 resort fee. Friday rates \$99 single or double + 9% tax and \$5 resort fee. Room block is lifted October 29, 2007.

OFFERED BY: The National Institute of Crime Prevention. Tuition is \$395. For additional information please check our web site at www.nicp.net

Florida Attorney General's Office Crime Prevention Training web site

<http://myfloridalegal.com/crime>

“SchoolWatch” is CPTED in Action: A Crime-Prevention Partnership between School Campuses and Caring Neighbors

***By Rick de Treville, CPP,
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Criminals do not want to be observed when they commit a crime. The basic CPTED principle of “natural surveillance” understands this. Now, a new program called *SchoolWatch* asks for organized assistance from residents whose homes or apartments provide “line of sight” opportunities to observe school properties.

Certain campuses within school districts tend to be routinely challenged by street-level crimes such as burglary, grand theft, criminal mischief, and vandalism. Most often, neither school administrators nor the local police are able to stabilize the severity and frequency of attacks against these particular properties.

These high-crime schools tend to have negative environmental factors in their immediate neighborhoods. However, amidst a sometimes bleak background, caring people who want to protect their schools will invariably emerge. The closer these concerned neighbors live to the campus, the more protective they tend to be. They will become a crime fighting resource when they practice basic CPTED. Provide them with organized structure, teach, praise, motivate, and challenge them, and they will respond with impressive crime-prevention results.

SchoolWatch Program Objectives:

- To reduce criminal activity at schools with a history of crime problems
- To offer school districts and administrators a professional crime-prevention solution at a time when they may be frustrated and lack answers

Program Overview:

A school campus is most vulnerable to crimes after-hours. Serious events such as vandalism, burglary, and arson usually occur when the staff has left the campus. A truly comprehensive school security and safety program goes beyond alarm and camera systems. Full-service protection for schools must include “observe and report” participation by nearby residents whose homes or apartments surround a school.

SchoolWatch participants are nearby neighbors who have been trained by a *SchoolWatch* coordinator to recognize and report suspicious campus activities. Routine watching of the campus, coupled with regular communications with school staff, will teach them the difference between normal school events and what is out-of-the-ordinary.

Here’s what makes a good *SchoolWatch* neighbor:

- Their place of residence provides them with good line-of-sight visibility of a school campus.
- They are of good moral character with a clearly-defined sense of right and wrong.

They are somewhat “street smart”; have knowledge of the particular people and activities in their neighborhood.

They have a child who attends or attended the school. (optional)

Resources that need to “buy-in”:

- School PTA leadership
- Local law enforcement and fire department

School district security

Steps to Organize:

- Present the *SchoolWatch* program overview to school and/or school district administration and law enforcement. Include “success stories” where an alert nearby resident prevented a crime.
- Provide a marketing plan, which may include door-to-door visits of surrounding residences.
- Create and print a marketing flyer.
- Locate and print the aerial pictures of the campus (available online).

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- Set first meeting date and ensure invitations are extended adjoining families.
- Conduct a vulnerability assessment of the campus.
- Analyze campus' prior criminal history through the use grid and police reports from local law enforcement

Optional Additional Resources:

- 24-hr. telephone "hotline" to report suspicious activities and/or criminal intelligence
- A "telephone tree" that logs the phone numbers of the neighboring residences onto an aerial photograph (found on *Google Earth*).

Every community has people that care about the security of their neighborhood schools. Within this group are people who can practice CPTED's *natural surveillance*. Locate, organize, and encourage them and they will become an effective tool to detect and deter campus crime.

Special thanks to FCN Treasure Rick de Treville for his newsletter article.

A reminder that newsletter articles are **required** from all FCN Board Members. Articles are to be sent as a Word Document and not as a link. They may be your own work or of an article that would be of interest to the membership. Please, no links.

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Director Margaret Levins presents Past Chair Art Hushen with a plaque thanking him for his dedication and service to the FCN. Art served two terms as Chair, one term as Vice Chair, and one term as District 3 Director.



**“CPTED for the Practitioner”
Las Vegas, Nevada
July 30 - August 1, 2007
Riviera Hotel
www.nicp.net**

Scheduled presenters:

- Tim Crowe, Criminologist
- Tim Passcoe, President DOCA
- Paul van Soomeron, President EDOCA
- Terry Cocks, London Metropolitan Police, General Secretary DOCA
- Robert Otterstatter, National Crime Prevention Council
- Steven Walker, Grampian Police, Scotland, UK
- Randy Jamieson, OALA, CSLA City of Mississauga, Canada

- Wayne Nishihama, OALA, CSLA City of Mississauga, Canada, CPTED Ontario
- Inspector Armando Jorgejan, Dutch Police Force
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Street Closed to Deter Dealers

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MANATEE

-A concept used to deter drug dealing around the country will soon be tried on for size in one of Manatee's most crime-ridden areas. Starting next week, the Bermuda 100 neighborhood in southern Manatee will offer only one way in and one way out, with the elimination of one route into the area.

Manatee County commissioners unanimously approved placing temporary barricades on the north side of the intersection of 57th Avenue East and Seventh Street Court East as an experiment to determine its effect on the area's crime rate, according to assistant transportation director Harry Mendenhall.

"After 90 days, we'll check in with the sheriff, who will report if the closure serves as a crime deterrent, and whether we should continue with it or not," Mendenhall said.

The only way in and out of the neighborhood will be at the intersection of 56th Avenue East and Ninth Street East.

By blocking one of routes into the neighborhood, people will have a tougher time committing quick drive-through crimes, such as open-air drug deals and drive-by shootings, according to Maj. Chuck Hagaman of the Manatee County Sheriff's Office.

A complaint from a property owner regarding the neighborhood, which has a long history of drug activity, prompted this attempt at a solution.

"The property owner contacted the sheriff's office about the problem, at which time the agency came forward and suggested this as an idea for reducing criminal activity in the area," Mendenhall said.

The commission approved the road closure, saying that it likely would deter crime, said County Commissioner Ron Getman, whose district includes the Bermuda 100 neighborhood. "We know it contributes to the ease of criminal transactions," he said.

"We're anxious about anything we can do to heighten the amount of safety in a community." If it proves effective, the concept, known as "crime prevention by environmental design," may be tried elsewhere. "It's been highly effective in tackling drug dealing in the past in other communities throughout the country," Hagaman said. Under Florida statutes, if the closure becomes permanent, the county would have to vacate the property, Mendenhall said. Sections of portable, water-filled barricades will be connected at the intersection, in combination with a sign notifying drivers of the road closure. Each of the sections weighs at least 75 pounds and holds 100 gallons of water, creating a nearly 900-pound structure, Mendenhall said.

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Article contributed by Region 3 Director David Segall.

Board members. Submit your articles early!!

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**DOCA & DAC International Seminar
March 30, 2007
Central Saint Martins College
London, UK**

Special thanks to the Designing Out Crime Association for their invitation to present at this years DOCA and DAC International Seminar. With close to one hundred attendees it was an excellent seminar. Having had the opportunity to speak at the European Designing Out Crime Association Seminar last year it was great to see familiar faces and catch up with the members of the two associations. A few of the topics at this years seminar were Reducing Thefts in Bars and Cafes by Dr. Kate Bowers, The Estonian Experience by Anu Leps, Reducing Identity Theft by Prof. Martin Gill, Public Art and CPTED by Art Hushen, and Drug Use Shelters by Dr. HJ Korthals Altes.

A hospitality venue was provide after the event by Central Saint Martins College of Art and Design and was hosted by Professor Lorraine Gamman. A pub crawl followed the hospitality event with many members attending and touring many of the historic districts of London which I can say I thoroughly enjoyed!!

Thanks again to all that made my visit to the UK a great one.



FCN Past Chair Art Hushen and DOCA President Dr. Tim Pascoe at this years DOCA Seminar.



For more information on the Designing Out Crime Association visit their web site at www.doca.org.uk



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