

**** NEWS ALERT ****

Attn: Claybrook Homeowners

From: Jill Werth, President, Claybrook Homes Association

Door-to-Door Solicitor Arrested 9-15-05

Yesterday at approximately 8:30pm, the police were called to our neighborhood due to concerns about a door-to-door solicitor walking between homes and knocking on doors after dark. The police arrested a young man, dressed in black slacks, shirt, and tie. The man claimed to be with a group selling magazines but was the only participant seen in the neighborhood.

The homeowner who called the police had their “NO SOLICITING” sign posted clearly. Police acknowledged that posting of the sign would help in prosecution and further visits from this group or person to our neighborhood.

In a follow-up call this morning to the North Precinct, Officer Watts indicated that several calls were made regarding this solicitor and that charges were filed. The court date is pending.

Help keep solicitors (and potential criminals) out of the neighborhood:

1. Be aware of strangers and solicitors and don't be afraid to call the police if you have concerns.
2. Communicate with your neighbors.
3. Get your “NO SOLICITING” sign and post it where it can be seen.

You can get one from either Chuck Weber @ 468-9389
or I @ 436-9009 –just give us a call!

An article in the Dispatch stated:

“POLICE SAY OPEN DOORS ON GARAGES – OPEN DOORS TO CRIMINALS”

Police states thieves drive around looking for opportunities to steal anything of value. Open garage doors are such an opportunity. If you notice a neighbors door open, especially at night, please give them a call just to confirm they are aware of it. Everyone should have a directory with phone numbers. Those with email should receive updates as they happen.

neighbors helping neighbors makes Claybrook a great, and safe, place to live!

Thank you,

Jill Werth

Pres., Claybrook Homes Assoc.