

**NORTHEAST CITIZENS PATROL
COORDINATORS MEETING
NOTES**

January 20, 2009

- Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice permitted the NECOP to purchase the following equipment which is available to patrollers;
 - 8 batteries for Motorola HT 1000 hand held radios we currently use
 - 4 magnetic roof mounted high gain whip antennas
 - 5 new Motorola radios with batteries and chargers
 - The adapters and the connectors necessary to connect the coaxial cable from the magnetic mounted roof antennas to the new radios
 - 4 of the new radios connected to the high gain antennas are dedicated to be used by patrollers from Belair-Edison, Ednor Gardens Lakeside, Frankford, and the post covering Moravia-Walther, Beverly Hills, and Arcadia
 - There was some question from the coordinators from Beverly Hills, Belair-Edison, and Ednor Gardens Lakeside as to whether the utilization of the new equipment has eliminated the transmission and reception problems in their area. Further discussion indicated that some of the issues may be due to user error
 - To diagnose the specific problem and the eliminate user error Officer Blumberg agreed to do the following:
 - *Ensure patrollers from Belair-Edison, Ednor Gardens Lakeside, Frankford, and the post covering Moravia-Walther, Beverly Hills, and Arcadia utilize the new radios connected to the new high gain antennas*
 - *Conduct frequent transmission checks with patrollers from Belair-Edison, Ednor Gardens Lakeside, Frankford, and the post covering Moravia-Walther, Beverly Hills, and Arcadia in an attempt to identify problematic locations and determine whether the new equipment is resolving transmission and reception issues*
 - *Conduct roll training with patrollers to ensure they are using the radio properly*

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- The following equipment was requested for the NECOP in a grant application filed with the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention

- Submitted Budget:

Equipment Item	Cost/Unit	Quantity	Total
Engrave radios w/ HARBEL Insignia	\$20.00	9	\$180.00
Motorola CP 200 radios w/ charger and antenna	\$309.20	9	\$2782.80
Total:			\$2962.80

- We could potentially be advised of the results of this application in late March
 - Lisa Daniels questioned the use of \$180.00 to engrave the HARBEL insignia on the radios. She would have preferred this funding be utilized to request the purchase of new magnetic door signs or yellow revolving dome lights.
 - Mike Hilliard noted the grant application had been submitted and unfortunately the equipment request could not be altered at this time
 - Lisa suggested if this grant is received the radios be engraved with the NECOP insignia and not HARBEL's insignia
 - It was also suggested that if we receive this grant and purchase this equipment we still retain 8 HT 1000 radios to be utilized with the batteries for these radios we recently purchased

- The coordinators brain stormed concerning the planning for the NECOP's 10th anniversary in 2010, and they came up with the following suggestions:
 - A lock-up event in which people are arrested and held in a simulated cell. They are not released until there are sufficient pledges of donations to the NECOP, which suffices as their bail.
 - A bowling event
 - A basketball and/or baseball game in which members of the Patrol play police officers of the Northeast District
 - A cookout or picnic at a nearby waterfront park
 - A crab feast or a bull and oyster roast with music and an awards ceremony
 - A spaghetti dinner
 - It was suggested by Pat Huebner that at whatever event(s) we hold a PowerPoint presentation be made concerning the history of the NECOP

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- It was suggested that patrol volunteers be recognized at any event we hold
- Some coordinators suggested we hold a series or several events to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Patrol, as different events will attract different people
- Issues from coordinators
 - Ride Around on the National Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday, August 4, 2009
 - At last year's Ride Around on the National Night Out Against Crime, the leadership of Ednor Gardens Lakeside proffered that if we utilized the starting location of Hillen Road and 33rd Street, as we did in 2008, Ednor Gardens would consider sponsoring a cook out in the grassy area along the eastside of Hillen Road with a view of Lake Montebello at the end of the Ride Around.. Mat Ryon indicated Ednor Gardens would still be willing to sponsor this event.
 - Mat indicated he would query the Ednor Gardens community to determine if this was feasible
 - Coordinators raised several issues:
 - Restrooms
 - Mike Hilliard agreed to perform some research pertaining to the cost of "Spot A Pots"
 - Another suggestion was made that we could end the ride around at Stadium Place and hold the event there, as we would most likely have access to the YMCA's restroom facilities
 - A alternate location in case of rain
 - It was suggested that alternate locations in case of rain might be a facility within Stadium Place or the Lutheran Church at 33rd Street and the Alameda
 - In light of President O'Bama's recent call for people to participate in public service during his inauguration, several coordinators suggested we author a letter asking people to volunteer to participate in the NECOP based upon the President's call for people to engage in community service
 - It was also suggested the a letter be sent to the principals of the schools in Northeast Baltimore sharing with them the NECOP is a way for students and parents together can earn community learning credits and asking if we could solicit students to encourage their parents to participate with them in the NECOP so that they can earn service learning credits
 - Mike Hilliard agreed to draft the aforementioned letters along with Lisa Daniels
 - A discussion ensued concerning the number of people who arrive at the Northeast District to participate in the Patrol after the 7:30 PM starting point

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- The coordinators agreed to encourage their participating members to arrive at the District on time and no later than 7:30 PM
- *The next meeting of the NECOP Coordinators will be held on March 17, 2009 at 7:30 PM at HARBEL at 5807 Harford Road*
- The meeting was then adjourned at 8:50 PM