NET 8-8-16 Meeting Minutes - Carisa Bohus

Eight people were at the meeting tonight. We discussed NET outreach in general, and the two local street fairs, as well as the Buckman Picnic. Buckman picnic is this weekend, Sunday, August 14. Hawthorne Street Fair is Sunday, Aug 28, and Belmont Street Fair is Saturday, September 10. How best to do outreach? Take it from a higher level, or take a look at all the events that happen in our neighborhood? For example, the Buddhist Oboe Festival attracts many people. How can we evaluate events for NET Outreach potential?

We need people for the Buckman Picnic Outreach Table this weekend. It was suggested to put the call out to other NET groups. They will help. Also we can get a BEECN person to staff the table with us.

What do we bring to the outreach events? The city has provided a lot of great handouts. Our own map was also suggested. The map of our neighborhood is being produced and will be included in our Operations Plan. The Plan is also available at our tabling events. Sunnyside NET is organizing the table volunteers, and Chris has sent out an email with details of how to sign up.

Chad said that he will brave the WordPress environment and put up some basic information for our NET on a web page. The vision is that we will be able to post upcoming neighborhood events, training sessions, our Operating Plan, and meeting minutes. Most interest is in future NET training events. We lamented if we had more advance notice, more people could plan to support our events and attend trainings. The web site will help with this, and Chris says he passes things along as he gets them.

NET TRAINING is happening at the end of this month, Saturday, August 27 at Scenario Village. They need victim volunteers, and also another NET team. Chris felt we were not ready to field a team. At the last Buckman NET meeting participants spoke of how valuable this experience is for everyone.

Jiro mentioned that there are other spaces that we can request. A basement space to practice low-visibility rescues, and a 6-story structure to practice in.

William is available for NET meeting check-ins by radio. Before or after the meeting seems to work. If before, use ch 2, and observe a 5:45p check in time with William.

Chris says it is likely a go for the NET meeting to be held at Martha's at Revolution Hall on 14th and SE Stark. He will make that clear for the next meeting announcement.

Chris would like to do some other functions/projects in the NET world, and is looking for some new leadership for our NET group. Perhaps this fall would be a good time to get someone installed. Chris says he will support the new person. Think it over, take this on!

There was interest in the Map Your Neighborhood, which is another city program helping individual blocks organize and information is found at Where to Get Map Your Neighborhood Materials | PREP - Neighbor by Neighbor, Block by Block