

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

A group of concerned SLCCV residents have worked with the Saint Lucie County Sherriff Crime Prevention Unit to make SLCCV a neighborhood watch community.

### *Neighborhood Watch IS:*

- A crime prevention program which enlists the active participation of the entire community of residents here in SLCCV
- Cooperation with the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office to reduce crime in our community
- A program that relies on the best crime fighting tool ever intended – a watchful neighbor

### *Neighborhood Watch IS NOT:*

- A vigilante force working outside the normal procedures of law enforcement
- A program designed for residents to take personal risks to prevent crime
- A 100% guarantee that crime will not occur in our community

In order to be “certified” a neighborhood watch community, several of our residents attended 3 training sessions peovided by the Sheriff's Office to learn about home security, Operation Identification and reporting suspicious activities.

On December 10, 2015, Sherriff Ken Mascara and deputies in the Crime Prevention Unit presented the sign that makes us an official Neighborhood Watch community to Judy Strouth and Linda Mongrain, Co-Chairpersons of the Neighborhood Watch Committee.

Neighborhood Watch is different from Neighbors Helping Neighbors and the C.O.P. However, working together with those two groups, we will be an unbeatable force in our community. Our main goal is to become the “eyes and ears” of local law enforcement.