

The following information was received from our partner block watch, Village's of Park Place (the condo units on the corner of Tussing Rd. & Hines Rd). Anyone working or soliciting in the city is required to have an ID and a contact number to verify who they are. Please be on alert and if you see anyone fitting this description and/or trying to get information from you, ask for their ID and/or call CPD. If they are not able to present an ID, call CPD immediately at 645-4545. If you do not feel comfortable opening the door to someone, **DO NOT** until you verify who they are. If you find yourself asking whether you should call, **CALL**. It is better to be safe!

--- On **Wed, 3/11/09, Village's of Park Place** wrote:

From: **Village's of Park Place**

Subject: Fwd: FYI-suspicious activity

To: contact@tussingblockwatch.com

Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2009, 1:49 PM

Dear all-

Last evening (Tuesday the 10th) at about 7 pm a gentleman was going door to door stating he was from Columbia Gas (no ID, was not driving a Columbia Gas truck). He was asking when people would be home today (Wednesday 11th) because he stated "we are shutting off the gas in the area and need to be let in so we can relight the pilot lights".

I was on my way to the store when he stopped me, I did call Columbus Police to let them know –they said they would send a cruiser to our neighborhood.

I called Columbia gas this morning to let them know about the situation. They took a report so they could alert the legitimate dispatchers in our area to be aware this individual was misrepresenting himself as a Columbia Gas representative.

He was mid 30's, 5'10 about 150 lbs. black man driving a Silver Chrysler 3000.

I wanted our neighbors to be aware.

Per Columbia Gas they do give written notification prior to any work/shut off etc. and can be called at any time to check on a "representative". Columbia Gas: 800.344.4077

Be safe.

Sincerely,

(member information removed by TBW to protect their identity)