



Bloomingtondale Neighborhood Watch



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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING...

Our next meeting is set for Wednesday, November 16, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. We will not meet at the Village Hall for this meeting, but rather will meet at the new Homeland Security building at the College of Dupage Suburban Law Enforcement Academy. Director Bill Lawler will lead us on a tour of this new facility. This building is located on the southwest corner of Lambert and Fawell in Glen Ellyn. There is a parking lot on the west side of the building. We will meet at the west entrance to the building. If you plan on attending please try to be on time. You will see the most updated law enforcement and fire science training facility in the area.



2011/2012 Neighborhood Watch General Meetings:



November 16th 2011 (College of Dupage)
January 18th 2012
March 21st 2012
May 16th 2012

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS...

Our fifth Neighborhood Watch general meeting of the year took place on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at the Village Hall. There were approximately 20 residents in attendance at this meeting. Deputy Chief Sater discussed several recent crimes that have occurred in Bloomingtondale.

There were two Skyjack scissor lifts taken from the east side of Toys R Us sometime between Monday August 8th and Tuesday August 9th. The value of the construction equipment is valued at over \$51,000 dollars.

There were also two Magnavox 42 inch flat screen televisions taken from wall mounts at the Camden Apartment complex clubhouse. The theft occurred sometime between 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 10th and 7:00 a.m. the following day.

There was a residential burglary that occurred on Country Club Drive on Monday, September 19, 2011 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The

residence was entered by forcing open the front door. There did not appear to be anything taken.

Residents were also reminded that there are ruse type residential burglaries occurring in suburbs near us. Countryside Police Department investigators were investigating one such case that occurred on Monday, September 19th at 2:45 p.m. In this case, a homeowner had left his garage door open while he retrieved his mail from the mailbox located at the street. A newer model green Ford SUV with an unknown temporary license plate pulled up in front of his house. A tall, heavyset male white (olive skin) exited the vehicle wearing a tool belt. The subject asked the victim where his electric was located. The subject went to the rear of the victim's house with the victim following. The homeowners' girlfriend was sleeping on a chair in the living room when another offender walked in the house through the garage door. When asked what he was doing in the house this offender stated that he was there for the landscaping. He then immediately left the residence. Both of these subjects returned back to the vehicle which was occupied by a third male white subject.

Our guest speaker was Dr. Wayne Johnson who is the program Coordinator for the Law Enforcement and Justice Administration Forensic Science Programs at Harper College in Palatine Illinois. Wayne retired from the Chicago Police Department where he specialized in Organized Crime and Homicide Investigation. He spent some time with the Chicago Crime Commission and as an Acting Chief with the Cicero Police Department. Wayne provided a quick history lesson of organized crime in Chicago since the early 1920's. He provided our residents with several Powerpoint photographs of these various crime leaders. He also provided a handout that reflected the addresses of those identified on the Chicago Crime Commission's 1997 "Chicago Outfit" organizational chart. On the flip side of this handout was a map of Chicago that portrayed where various organized crime gangs



“turf” was loacted back in the early 1930’s. To say the least, this was a very interesting presentation.

As of October 2011 there are now over 84 Neighborhood Watch Block Captains. See how well your area is represented on the pin map that is located at the police station and is also on display at the N/W meetings.

CURRENT CASES



Theft- On September 11th between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. an unknown person removed all four tires (Toyo brand 18 inch chrome 5 spoke AMG rims) off of his 2002 Mercedes Benz. The value of the loss is \$4500.00.

Ruse Residential Burglary- On Thursday, September 22nd (day after Neighborhood Watch meeting) at 5:57 p.m. the police department investigated a ruse residential buglary that occurred on the 100 block of Euclid Ave. At approximately 5:00 p.m. the suspects made contact with the homeowner and stated that they were there to cut tree limbs down that were to close to power lines. The suspects had the homeowner exit the residence into the backyard. As they were in the yard, a third subject made entry into the home and removed a 12-gauge shotgun; miscellaneous ladies jewelry; cash and Vicodin prescription medication. Suspects used cellular phone- two way radios while at the residence. The two subjects observed by the victim were male whites and of Eastern European descent. They were both approximately 40 years of age. One was clean shaven, black hair short style on sides, longer length on the top. He had a round face and stocky build. The other suspect was heavy set. The vehicle was a newer white Chevy or Ford SUV in clean condition. It had a black compact roof rack.

Burglary- Sometime between 7:30 p.m. on September 25th and 5:45 a.m. on Monday, September 26th, an unknown person pried open the rear door to a dry cleaner’s business in Springbrook mall. Taken was just over one hundred dollars of coins from a cabinet.

Battery- On Sunday, September 25th at 3:49 p.m. Bloomingdale police officers were dispatched to Circle Park in reference to a fight involving several players and parents at the Bloomingdale Bears football game. The visiting team was from Hanover Park. A couple of people involved received medical attention. This case is currently under investigation.

Burglary- On September 29th at 12:40 a.m. Bloomingdale Police Officers responded to the Ross Dress for Less store in the Bloomingdale Court Shopping Center for a silent alarm activation. Upon the officers arrival they encountered and arrested three 18-year-old males from Roselle in the process of committing a burglary. They entered the store through a roof hatch. This store is currently under construction and next to

Best Buy. Their intentions were to attempt to gain entry into Best Buy to steal electronics. All three were charged with burglary.



Residential Burglary- On October 1st at 8:58 p.m. Bloomingdale officers responded to a delayed residential burglary located on the 300 block of Bristol Ct. Residents returned from vacation and discovered that forced entry was made to the rear door. Jewelry and quarters were taken from the residence. The theft occurred between September 27th at 9:00 a.m. and October 1st at 8:55 p.m.

The men and women of the police department would like to recognize the tremendous show of support that was offered at several 911 remembrance ceremonies that took place in Bloomingdale on this the 10th anniversary of 911. The students and staff at Westfield School were very accommodating as representatives from our police and fire departments as well as a local Iraq war veteran gave their perspectives of how that day affected them personally and how the events of that day will forever change our way of life. It is hard to imagine but our middle school students were only two or three years of age at the time of the attack.

On Sunday, September 11th, Lifetime Fitness Center also took a few moments from their employee training seminar to recognize our first responders. Brief comments were made by the Deputy Chief’s from the police and fire departments.

The final event that took place on the evening of 911 was a silent remembrance “run” that included several police squads and various fire department apparatus. This silent run started from the Fire Department on Bloomingdale Road to Edgewater Drive to Glen Ellyn Rd. to the Bloomingdale Church where a remembrance service was conducted by Pastor David Riemenschneider. The outpouring of community support to the police officers and firefighters that were present was truly amazing. Let us not forget those that gave the ultimate sacrifice to save others on that dreadful day.



A special thank you goes out to Patty Eagleton, a block captain from Langton Lane who has recently resigned from the Neighborhood Watch Steering Committee. She has been a part of this committee for over 12 years and could always be counted on to assist in various community events. Thank you Patty for your service to our community.

Stats: Jan. 01 through Oct. 09th 2011

Accident Reports-931

DUI Arrests-112

Case Reports-2153

Traffic Stops-8799 and Service Calls- 12270

