

# BROADVIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## Police Watch



August 2012

This Police Watch newsletter is just one of the ways that the Broadview Police Department is trying to connect with our Community. By sharing information with you, we can keep you informed about what's happening in town. We hope that you'll find it informative. Please contact us with your suggestions. [COPS@broadview-il.gov](mailto:COPS@broadview-il.gov)

### *A Back to School Message from the Chief:*

The Broadview Police Department reminds motorists to take extra traffic safety precautions as students head back to school in Broadview as early as August 20th. The beginning of the school year is a time when children are at increased risk of transportation-related injuries from pedestrian, bicycle, school bus and motor vehicle crashes. Parents here are some tips for making back to school safer for students:

Parents—  
We all know that traffic flow around Roosevelt and Lindop schools can be hectic. The Police Department makes an effort every morning of the school year to be present and visible near school grounds. We hope that our presence deters speeders, stop sign violators and illegal parkers around the perimeter of the schools. As always, we ask for your cooperation too. Please remember to follow drop-off and pick-up procedure closely. These guidelines are there to protect the children, and they WILL be enforced. Officers will also be checking to make sure all Children are properly secured in vehicles near the schools. Car seats and booster seats must be used and installed properly.

Thank you!

**ANONYMOUS**  
Crime Tips can be  
Sent to:  
[COPS@Broadview-il.gov](mailto:COPS@Broadview-il.gov)



Next meeting  
Is  
August 31st  
6:30pm

- Pay special attention to all traffic signals and crossing guards.
- Never cross the street against a red light, even if you don't see any traffic coming.
- Wear reflective clothing and bright colors so drivers can see you easier.
- Plan a safe walking route to school or the bus stop. Choose the most direct way with the fewest street crossings and if possible, with intersections that have traffic controls.
- Advise children to arrive early for buses, stay out of the street, and to wait for the bus to come to a complete stop before approaching the street.

Have a safe and great school season!



## **\*\*CRIME ALERT: Burglaries\*\***

Over the past few months, the Police Department has been experiencing an increase in reports of Residential-Burglary in areas south of Roosevelt Road. These burglaries have primarily taken place during the day when residents are at work.

A comprehensive plan has been developed to address the issue. Burglary arrests HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE.

The Police Department would like to remind you that there are some important steps you can take to avoid becoming a victim of this type of crime.

- If you have an alarm system, make sure that it is working properly and set when you leave your home.
- Make sure all doors and windows are properly secured. Burglars are usually not sophisticated criminals. They're looking for easy opportunities to make entry.
- Report ALL suspicious activity to the Police Department immediately. Your call might be the tip we've been waiting for...

We appreciate your cooperation!

## Neighborhood Watch Committee elects Officers



Broadview's Neighborhood Watch initiative is well under way. On July 27th, Officers were elected to represent the group, and we thank those who volunteered to take charge and set us on our way.

In the near future, you'll begin seeing Neighborhood Watch signs being placed throughout the town. This will serve as a reminder that Broadview residents are serious about preserving this village.

**If criminals know that there is a high likelihood that the citizens of a given town will call the police when they observe suspicious activity, they're more likely to move onto a different town.**

Now is the time for us to stand together as a unified community and reject the notion that there is nothing we as residents and business owners can do to prevent and deter crime.

Now is the time to get involved. Our next meeting is August 31st, 2012 at 6:30 Village Council chambers.

We hope to see you there, and please spread the word!

### **Did you know?**

**The economic cost to US society of speeding-related crashes is estimated at \$27.7 billion per year.**

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