

## Twin Oaks Neighborhood Watch August 2009

### **Captain's Corner**

I would like to extend an invitation to all of you to attend our "Meet the Police Night" event to be held September 23, 2009, at Parkway South Middle School, 760 South Woods Mill. The program will begin promptly at 6:30PM. Officers and Supervisors, as well as myself, will be present to inform you about our department, crime trends and concerns. As always, we need your input to have success in keeping our community a safe place to live and work. The normal Neighborhood Watch Coordinator's meeting will not be held this month so that we may host this program. The St. Louis County Government Planning Department will be in attendance to explain their programs involving subdivision issues and neighborhood problems. New residents in our community may find this event particularly informative. If you have the time, come by and say hello!

### **Neighborhood Watch Coordinator Meeting**

The Neighborhood Watch Coordinators meeting that was scheduled for Wednesday, September 16, 2009, has been canceled. Instead, the watch meeting will be included in the "Meet Your Police Night" event that is scheduled for Wednesday September 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the Parkway South Middle School, 760 South Woods Mill Road. Everyone participating in the Neighborhood Watch Program is invited to attend this event. Thank you very much for your help in making this program a success.

### **Citizen Police Academy**

The West County and Fenton Precincts will be hosting a Citizen Police Academy that will begin on September 17, 2009, at the Rockwood Bank Meeting Room located at 1037 Majestic Drive. The academy will run for eight consecutive Thursdays with graduation on November 5<sup>th</sup>. Classes will be from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. To register for this class or for more information, please contact Officer Lou Major at 636-256-7075, [lmajor@stlouisco.com](mailto:lmajor@stlouisco.com) or Officer Aaron Dilks at 636-349-8120, [adilks@stlouisco.com](mailto:adilks@stlouisco.com)

### **Save the Date!**

"STRIKE IN THE NAME OF THE LAW!" There will be a bowling fundraiser to benefit the St. Louis County Police Welfare Association on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, at the Olivette Lanes. The event will start at 3:00 PM.

Enjoy bowling, games and raffles. You can register as a person or team. Teams of six will be given personalized t-shirts and discounted entry fees, so get your teams together. Contact Rachel Major at [rmajor@stlouisco.com](mailto:rmajor@stlouisco.com) for more information. More details to follow.

### **"Meet Your Police" Night Has Been Scheduled**

On Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, the West County Precinct will host a "Meet your Police" night. This event is open to everyone; however, new residents may find that this event will answer many of their questions concerning police services. The Precinct Commander, Watch Commander and Watch Supervisors will address the participants and be available to answer questions. A promotional video on the St. Louis County Police Department will be shown. The event will be held at the Parkway South Middle School located at 760 South Woods Mill Road and will go from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. Seating is limited, therefore we request you R.S.V.P. by calling 636-256-7075.

### **Alumni To Host BBQ Fund Raiser**

The West County Chapter of the St. Louis County Police Alumni Association will be hosting a fundraiser for the organization on Thursday, September 3, 2009. The event will be held at Fenton Park, Shelter #2. The BBQ will start at 5:00PM. Suggested donations are \$10 for adults, \$5 for 7-13. Donations are not expected from anyone 12 and under. Hot Dogs, hamburgers, brats and numerous side dishes are on the menu. For questions or more information, please contact the treasurer, Sharon Moore, at 636-225-8542 or [trollex@sbcglobal.net](mailto:trollex@sbcglobal.net)

### **Please Lock Your Parked Vehicles**

If you leave your vehicles unlocked, you risk becoming a crime victim. In this newsletter, we report time and time again numerous occurrences of thefts from unlocked motor vehicles. Most of the time, the thieves are looking for currency and loose change or other small valuable items such as wallets, purses, laptops, other electronic devices, CD's, or even expensive sunglasses or items of clothing. However, it seems that if it is not properly secured, thieves will steal just about anything they can get their hands on. A professional musician reported that his 6'3" Engelhardt bass instrument was stolen from his unsecured van on June 25<sup>th</sup> while parked in the 900 block of Bellestri Drive. The investigation of this crime continues.

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