

# The Waite Hill Police Beat

September - December 2020

Hello to all residents.



**I hope everyone is safe and healthy especially during these trying times with Covid-19. I am sorry to say that we have decided to cancel the Halloween Party for this year due to the Covid-19 issues.**

The school year has started, which means school buses are out on the roads. Drivers need to be aware of children at bus stops. When you are heading out for work in the mornings, be aware of school bus activity and children crossing the roads. Drivers should also maintain a safe distance when driving behind school buses.

## **Police Department**

Lt. Brian Beaumier is no longer with the department. We have hired a full-time officer; Brett Beckwith, he also works part-time with Kirtland Hills PD. Currently, he is in our training program and progressing well.

**We have received a few complaints of golf carts being operated on the roadways with children driving them. So everyone is aware, these types of vehicles are not permitted to be operated on our roadways. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me or anyone else at the police department.**

**There has been an influx of motor vehicle thefts throughout Lake County recently. Please make sure you are locking your vehicles and not leaving your personal items in plain view. If you park your vehicles in your garage do not leave the keys in them as thefts have occurred while people have left their garage doors open.**

Deer season is approaching fast and they are already on move throughout the Village. Unfortunately, the deer are not too traffic “savvy” and think they own the roads. So please be extra careful when driving. Also, we are aware of the coyote issues and I am working with our hunters to assist us with keeping the population down.

Now that summer is about gone and the dreaded winter is just around the corner, we have to remember to take care with pedestrian traffic. Residents please reminder your snow plow operators to not push snow across the street when plowing your driveway. This causes hazardous driving conditions. We will be citing the operators if our officers observe this.

With our recent new residents our officers continue to obtain signatures for our “Unwanted Visitors” list. The Village offers each resident the opportunity to sign a form that will indicate whether or not they wish to allow uninvited visitors on their property. Residents who sign the form will have their names placed on a list of persons who **do not** wish to have any uninvited visitors. Those who do not sign the form will be placed on a list of persons who **do not object** to uninvited visitors coming on to their property for canvassing purposes. This list is issued to persons who wish to canvass Village residents. Those canvassing commercially must register with the Village. Canvassers who wish to speak on non-commercial matters (candidates for political office, ballot issues, religion, etc.) are not required to do so.

**The Waite Hill Village Police Department, as always, looks forward to serving the community. Your safety and security is always our concern!** Please remember, if you notice anything that does not look right or looks suspicious, please contact us. The best way to reach an officer is through the dispatcher at 440-942-1660. If it is an emergency, please call 9-1-1.

Respectfully submitted,  
Keith A. DeWitt, Chief of Police