

The Waite Hill Police Beat



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Hello to all residents.

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 and school buses. Our Village has had an increase of traffic over the years. There have been a few incidents with crashes and near misses of pedestrians versus vehicles. We are trying to be diligent with the speeding vehicles on our roadways, contact us with any areas of concern that you may have.

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. While such deer-involved crashes can occur anytime, most mishaps happen between the hours of 5 and 10 p.m. and 5 and 8 a.m. because deer are "crepuscular" — meaning that they are most active at dawn and dusk. Defensive driving is the best way to avoid hitting these animals. Be particularly cautious at dusk and dawn when deer are the most active.

During the last couple of months we had three residents that were possible victims of identity theft. Fortunately, the suspects were not able to obtain credit after fraudulently filling out credit applications out-of-state with the resident's information. As a reminder, you should shred your documents that have any personal identification on them. This includes the mailings you may receive offering credit cards or loans that are already started in your name or other family members and are just waiting for activation. The criminals are using your name after they find your date of birth online and then changing the address to a false location they choose. The following link can be copied to your browser for additional information on preventing identity theft.

<http://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/>

We have tentatively set a date for the Halloween Party which is October 21st this year. We are working out the details for this year's events.

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.

The Waite Hill Village Police Department, as always, looks forward to serving the community. Your safety and security is always our concern!

Respectfully submitted,
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