Burglary and Motor Vehicle Break-in Prevention Tips

I hope this email finds each of you doing well! With summer fast approaching and the end of the school year near, we generally see an increase in open garage burglaries and larceny from autos. Officers have already begun taking reports involving these types of offenses. These types of crimes are very preventable using the burglary and motor vehicle break-in prevention tips below. With your help, we will continue to make Cary one of the best places to live, work and raise a family.

Burglary Prevention Tips:

- * Lock all doors and windows.
- * Activate your alarm system, if applicable.
- * Use a keyed deadbolt or a deadbolt with a removable thumb latch if you have a window within 48" of a deadbolt.
- * Make sure valuables are not visible from the street.
- * Work together with your neighbors to watch out for one another.
- * Don't leave your garage door up unattended.

Motor Vehicle Break-in Prevention Tips:

- To help prevent these types of crimes, please do not leave valuables or cash in your car.
- * Never leave a firearm in an unattended vehicle.
- * Park in well lighted areas.
- * Always roll up the windows and lock the car, even when it is in front of your home.
- * Hide items from view If you have a trunk place these items there. If you have an SUV with an open back consider the glove box or other storage bin underneath the seats.
- * Limit buying expensive items and leaving them in your car for long periods of time.
- * Never leave GPS units/ mounts visible when vehicle is unattended.
- * Remove after market stereo equipment from the dash.
- * Take care not to leave personal identification in your vehicle.
- * If you have an alarm on your vehicle activate it.

<u>Please report any suspicious vehicles or pedestrians in your neighborhood, especially during overnight hours.</u> Should you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact the on-duty District 2 supervisor directly at 919-621-7978. Additionally, our District Commander is Capt. Toni Dezomits and she can be reached at 919-380-2132.

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