

Let Police Know When You're Planning to be Away

Sylvania Township police continue a program which is nearly as old as the department, although Chief Robert Boehme said recently he's not sure how many residents know about it.

Within the department it is known as a house check, and that's just what it is.

If a resident is going to be away from home for an extended period, typically on vacation, one step that should be taken is to notify the police department.

Chief Boehme said that not only is that a generally good idea, but in Sylvania Township it comes with a bonus service of an officer walking around the house twice in every 24-hour period.

He added that there is no set time for the walk-around, but that it is taken seriously by members of the department.

He added the department wants departure times and expected return times, and also asks residents to be sure to call when they return, since that doesn't always stay the same as expected.

They also should let police know if someone is coming over, for instance to water plants or for some other purpose. If police know in advance it could avoid a misunderstanding, the chief said.

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