

# Lakeview at Brandywine

## Neighborhood Watch

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TRESPASSERS BEWARE  
Lakeview at Brandywine Neighborhood Watch



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### Spring Safety Tips

#### Safety Tips at Home

- Replace door screws to at least 3 inches to solidify the integrity of your door.
- Check smoke detectors and replace batteries.
- Clean the lint trap in your dryer to prevent fires.
- Parents know the law concerning young children home alone such as latch key kids. Children aged 8 through 12 may be left alone for brief periods but must have support systems in place, such as phone numbers of parents, other family members or neighbors, information about personal safety, and what to do in an emergency. Children in this age group may not be left to care for children under the age of eight.
- Keep doors and cars locked, especially at night, in order to prevent theft and protect your home and property.

## Lakeview Safety Updates

During March, our community COPS officer met with the community and provided a crime update as well as answered a number of questions from the homeowners. We are proud to report that our community neighborhood watch volunteers are effective and we have a very low crime rate in our neighborhood, especially when compared with our immediate surrounding area. Our COPS officer commended our volunteers and lauded us for our diligence and tenacity in conducting our roving patrols and immediately reporting all suspicious activity.

We also want to welcome our newest NWP volunteers on Zekiah and Nanjemoy. We have neighborhood watch volunteers for almost all streets in Lakeview, but we still need volunteers for Colmar Manor, Sudley, Chicamuxen, and Solomon's Court. Have you seen our neighborhood watch signs? We now have signs at both entrances and throughout the neighborhood.

Slow down and remind others to slow down. Warm weather is approaching and we have more children outside. In addition, we have lots of new construction and an increase in dump trucks and other official cars out and about. We have addressed speeding construction vehicles, and will continue to remind all to S-L-O-W D-O-W-N.

Thank you for your diligence in keeping our statistics low. We all need to make a concerted effort and look out for each other as good neighbors should. Get to know your neighbor and become familiar with the people and cars on your street so you are aware when something is out of the ordinary. Call 9-1-1 for an immediate emergency or 301-352-1200 for a non-emergency.