# Lakeview at Brandywine

Neighborhood Watch

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TRESPASSERS BEWARE Lakeview at Brandywine Neighborhood Watch



## **Lakeview Safety Updates**

Lakeview at Brandywine Neighborhood Watch Program (NWP) continues to get reports of suspicious vehicles in the neighborhood, most notably during the late night hour. The new construction continues to draw in thieves of opportunity and one of our NWP volunteers helped to catch a thief. The perpetrator was apprehended by police and stolen goods were recovered. We are so proud of our NWP volunteer! Thank you for helping us remain safe. As new construction continues on Owings and Zekiah, the NWP has increased their roving patrols. Immediately report any suspicious activity.

Community reminder — our neighborhood is a No Soliciting Area. If an individual knocks on your door or seeks to solicit your business on the street, let the individual(s) know this is a Non Soliciting area and they need to leave the neighborhood. Note the name of their company and call the police to report the activity. Only deal with reputable companies and never purchase anything from a company that you did not call yourself or one that you don't recognize.

Retrieve mail promptly from your mailbox and shred documents with your personal information. Identity theft is prevalent and increasing every day. Protect yourself and your belongings – remain vigilant of your surroundings.

Know your neighbors! Exchange phone numbers and let someone you trust know when you are away so they can keep an eye on your home. Learn which cars are normal on your street and report suspicious vehicles and individuals that seem out of place or loitering. Call the non-emergency 301-352-1200 to make a report.

BE GOOD EYES for your neighbors and community.

### **NWP TEAM**

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#### **SAFETY TIPS**

## Safety Tips in the Car:

- Make certain that the car is in mechanically sound and in top roadworthy condition.
- Check the belts, hoses, fluid level (oil), tires and breaks.
- Have nutritious snacks and at least a quart of water per person for those times when you might just have to become a vehicle dweller during an emergency.
- Basic things that should always be in your vehicle: flashlight, small but complete first aid kit (including your personal medications), flares, extra water and antifreeze.
- Changing a tire or repairing your car at the side of the road is dangerous.
   Whenever possible, call a tow truck. If you are unable to get to a phone, remember to pull completely off the road to work on your vehicle.