

ALSIP NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Working Together To Make Alsip A Great Place To Live

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Halloween this year is on Tuesday, October 31st. The Alsip Police Department would like for you and your family to enjoy a safe Halloween by practicing the following tips;

- Younger children should be accompanied by an adult.
- Visit people you know
- Remind children not to enter a strange house or car.

- Stay in well-lit areas.
- Make sure your costume lets you see and hear perfectly (watch and listen for cars)
- Check out treats when you get home.
- Make sure your costume fits properly to avoid tripping or falling
- Wear brightly colored clothing or put glow-in-the-dark objects on your costume so cars can see you

- Carry a flashlight
- Set a time limit for children to Trick-or-Treat.

The Village of Alsip ordinance provides that all Trick-or-Treat activities, on October 31st, will be conducted between 3:30pm-7:30pm.

Make this and every Halloween a safe and happy one.

IDENTITY THEFT Tips on Protecting Your Good Name

Identity theft is a serious crime. It occurs when your personal information is stolen and used without your knowledge to commit fraud or other crimes. Identity theft can cost you time and money. It can destroy your credit and ruin your good name.

- Never leave your purse or wallet unattended
- Don't carry anything with your social security number printed on it in your purse or wallet.
- Remove delivered mail promptly. Deposit any outgoing mail at your local post office or US Postal drop box.
- Unless you initiate the transaction, NEVER give personal information over the phone or internet.

- Shred all documents you are discarding, including credit card info, personal forms, and account statements.
- Never click on links sent in unsolicited emails; instead, type in a web address you know.
- Don't use an obvious password like your birth date, your mother's maiden name, or the last four digits of your Social Security number.
- Match credit card receipts to monthly statements.

Annually request a copy of your credit history and review it for unauthorized activity. To request an Annual Credit Report call: 877-322-8228 or www.annualcreditreport.com

If you become a victim contact the 3 major credit reporting agencies and report the incident to your local police department.

Credit Reporting Bureaus
Equifax Credit Bureau Fraud Department: 800-525-6285 or Equifax.com

TransUnion Credit Bureau Fraud Department: 800-680-7289 or transunion.com

Experian Information Solutions: 800-397-3742 or Experian.com

Visit the Alsip Police Department to request an Identity Theft informational brochure.



Lock Out Crime
– Protect your
home from
intruders

Use sturdy
doors

Use safe locks

Install a
viewfinder

Consider
window pegs

Secure sliding
glass doors

Consider
various outdoor
lighting options

Never allow
strangers into
your home

Put some
electrical
equipment on
timers

Burglary From Motor Vehicle

9-9: 11500 BLK LEE RD.: White Honda entered and phone charger taken; vehicle unlocked

9-11: 11900 BLK LOCKWOOD AVE.: (1) vehicle entered and check stolen; other vehicle stolen & recovered

9-13: 11900 BLK LOCKWOOD AVE.: Multiple vehicles entered and loose change taken; vehicles left unlocked

9-14: 4200 BLK 118th PL.: Loose change & lotto tickets stolen from white GMC; unlocked vehicle

9-15: 11800 BLK HARDING AVE.: Wallet stolen from unlocked black Dodge

9-21: 12200 BLK SPENCER AVE.: Electronics & glasses stolen from silver Honda; unlocked doors

9-25: 12400 BLK 45th AVE.: I.D. card stolen from unlocked Chevrolet

Burglary – Residential

9-5: 11700 BLK TRIPP AVE.: Television stolen from residence

9-12: 12300 BLK KOSTNER AVE.: Jewelry stolen from residence

Criminal Damage & Defacement to Property

9-10: 4000 BLK 127th ST.: Paint scratched on black Ford parked in lot; unknown subject

9-24: 12500 BLK KOSTNER AVE.: Window damaged on building by unknown subject

9-18: 11700 BLK KARLOV AVE.: Rear windshield & tires damaged on silver Toyota parked in lot; unknown subject

Identity Theft Crimes

9-1: 11900 BLK RIDGEWAY AVE.: Victims personal information used to access personal finances

9-19: 3900 BLK 117th ST.: Victims personal information used to access account and make payments

Fighting Back Against Identity Theft

**Deter
Detect
Defend**

Safe guard you personal information

Routinely monitor your financial accounts and billing statements

Defend against ID Theft as soon as you suspect it

Visit AnnualCreditReport.com or call 877-322-8228, to order your free credit reports each year.

Motor Vehicle Thefts

9-4: 3600 BLK 120th PL.: Black Honda stolen from parking lot of residence

9-30: 4100 BLK 127th ST.: Green Ford stolen from parking lot

9-7: 3800 BLK 124th PL.: White Toyota stolen from parking lot of residence

Theft Over/Under \$500.00

9-1: 11800 BLK KOMENSKY AVE.: Money stolen from victim's residence by unknown subject

9-21: 12500 BLK ALPINE: Pistol stolen from residence; returned to owner no complaints signed

9-9: 4500 BLK 122nd ST.: Two bicycles stolen from backyard of victim's residence



Awareness is
the Key
to Your Safety.

VILLAGE OF ALSIP DIRECTORY

ALSIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

EMERGENCY.....911

Police Non-Emergency.....708-385-6902

Crime Prevention Unit.....708-385-6902 x249

Crime Free Housing Program.....708-385-6902 x249

Village of Alsip Departments

Building/Clerks/Water Department.....708-385-6902

Fire Department Non-Emergency.....708-385-6902 x233

Health Department.....708-385-6902 x336

Public Works Department.....708-385-6902 x364

We're on the Web!

www.alsippolicedepartment.com

Alsip Police at Trick or Trunk

The Alsip Police will be joining the Alsip Park District at their annual Trick or Trunk FREE community event scheduled for Saturday, October 28th from 11am to 1pm at the Apollo Recreation Center Parking Lot, 12521 S. Kostner Avenue.

The Alsip Police Department will be handing out treats along with other local families and businesses. Don't forget to dress up in your favorite

costume and bring some non-perishable foods for the park districts food drive.

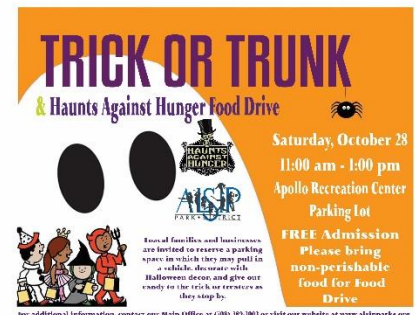
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Event Update!

The Alsip Police Department would like to thank all who donated to Illinois Special Olympics during the Cop on Rooftop, Torch Run, and National Night Out events. With your generosity the Alsip Police Department collected \$6,212.64