

Notes from the Boone Lake Security/Vandalism Issues Meeting

May 19, 2011

Barbara Laird was the meeting organizer and coordinator.

Lt. Kevin Hawkins from the State Police gave advice, answered questions, and addressed issues.

- An effective way to avoid a house break-in is to leave a TV or radio on, and to turn on a light in the living room when you are away.
- Since West Shore and East Shore Drives do not connect, there is only one way out of the lake, the way you drove in. A No Exit or No Outlet sign at the entrance might be a deterrent to a would-be vandal.
- The first place vandals look for expensive jewelry is in a bedroom top drawer. Store it elsewhere in your house, but don't forget where you put it.
- Record all serial numbers for appliances, computers, phones, cameras, and other valuables.
- Take digital photographs of all your valuable items.
- Store important information (logins and passwords, serial numbers, etc.) on a flash (also known as USB or thumb) drive and keep it with you.
- Alcohol, speeding, and failure to use seat belts are the leading causes of accidents and death.
- Report speeding on the roads, but be aware that the police will stop all who are driving over the speed limit and not just a person or vehicle reported for past speeding.
- If you find a hypodermic needle, carefully retrieve it and turn it in to the police for disposal.
- Monitoring systems for the perimeter of your house are inexpensive and can be set up to record to a DVR or to display on a monitor.

Report Violations

State Police Exeter Patrol: 401-267-0145

State Police Hope Valley: 401-539-2323