## The Waite Hill Police Beat

## September - December 2019

Hello to all residents.



Now that summer is about gone and the dreaded winter is just around the corner, we have to remember to take care with pedestrian traffic. Residents please reminder your snow plowers to not push snow across the street when plowing your driveway. This causes hazardous driving conditions. We will be citing the operators if our officers observe this. Our Village has had an increase of traffic over the years. There have been a few incidents with crashes and near misses of pedestrians versus vehicles. We are trying to be diligent with the speeding vehicles on our roadways, contact us with any areas of concern that you may have.

## School Year 2019

The school year has started, which means school buses are out on the roads. Drivers need to be aware of children at bus stops. When you are heading out for work in the mornings, be aware of school bus activity and children crossing the roads.

Drivers should also maintain a safe distance when driving behind school buses and be aware that the yellow flashing lights mean the bus is coming to a stop, while the red flashing lights mean children are getting on and off that big yellow taxi.

We have received a few complaints of golf carts being operated on the roadways with children driving them. So everyone is aware, these types of vehicles are not permitted to be operated on our roadways. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me or anyone else at the police department.

Deer season is approaching fast and they are already on move throughout the Village. Unfortunately, the deer are not too traffic "savvy" and think they own the roads. So please be extra careful when driving. Also, we are aware of the coyote issues and I am working with our hunters to assist us with keeping the population down.

Our officers continue to obtain signatures for our "Unwanted Visitors" list. The Village offers each resident the opportunity to sign a form that will indicate whether or not they wish to allow uninvited visitors on their property. Residents who sign the form will have their names placed on a list of persons who **do not** wish to have any uninvited visitors. Those who do not sign the form will be placed on a list of persons who **do not object** to uninvited visitors coming on to their property for canvassing purposes. This list is issued to persons who wish to canvass Village residents. Those canvassing commercially must register with the Village. Canvassers who wish to speak on non-commercial matters (candidates for political office, ballot issues, religion, etc.) are not required to do so.

We have tentatively set a date for the Halloween Party which is October 19<sup>th</sup> this year. We are working out the details for this year's events. You will be receiving a flyer soon.

Please remember, if you notice anything that does not look right or looks suspicious, please contact us. The best way to reach an officer is through the dispatcher at 440-942-1660. If it is an emergency, please call 9-1-1.

The Waite Hill Village Police Department, as always, looks forward to serving the community. Your safety and security is always our concern!

Respectfully submitted, Keith A. DeWitt, Chief of Police