



HILLIARD DIVISION OF POLICE BLOCKWATCH NEWSLETTER



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Peace Officer's Memorial Day is held annually in the United States on May 15 in honor of federal, state and local officers killed or disabled in the line of duty. It is observed in conjunction with Police Week.

We will be honoring those officers on May 15, 2014 at 7PM at First Responder's Park. Please join us as we remember their service and sacrifice.

SOCIAL HOST LIABILITY

Social host liability laws in Ohio allow for persons to be held criminally responsible when furnishing alcohol to those under 21 years old.

Ohio Revised Code 4301.69(A): No person shall sell beer or intoxicating liquor to an underage person, shall buy beer or intoxicating liquor for an underage person, or shall furnish it to an underage person, unless given by a physician in the regular line of the physician's practice or given for established religious purposes or **unless** the underage person is supervised by a parent, spouse who is not an underage person, or legal guardian.

Ohio Revised Code 4301.69(B) further states; that **No** person who is the owner or occupant of any public or private place shall knowingly allow any underage person to remain in or on the premise while possessing or consuming beer or intoxicating liquor, **unless** the intoxicating liquor or beer is given to the person possessing or consuming it by that person's parent, spouse who is not an underage person, or legal guardian and the parent, spouse who is not an underage person, or legal guardian is present at the time of the person's possession or consumption of the beer or intoxicating liquor.

Whoever violates division (A) of section 4301.69 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor, shall be fined not less than five hundred and not more than one thousand dollars, and, in addition to the fine, may be imprisoned for a definite term of not more than six months.

Whoever violates division (B) of Section 4301.69 is guilty of a 1st degree misdemeanor.

DRUG DROP DAY IS APRIL 26th

This event is sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (D.E.A.), and is a great opportunity for citizens to dispose of expired or unwanted prescription drugs. You can drop off these items only on Saturday, April 26 between 10 am and 2 pm at the Hilliard Division of Police headquarters, located at 5171 Northwest Parkway. (No liquids or syringes can be accepted)

DO YOU HAVE AN ALARM SYSTEM FOR YOUR HOME?

Hilliard City Code Section 709.02 requires any residence or building located within the City that is equipped with an alarm system for the purpose of detecting and signaling the presence of unauthorized intrusion or fire must obtain an alarm permit, before using the system.

To obtain the alarm permit go to the Hilliard Division of Police website and type in "Alarm Permit" in the search box, then follow the directions, or you can contact the Police Administration Office at (614) 334-2439. The fee is \$25.00 for a two year permit. The fee will be waived on residential alarm applicants who are 65 years of age or older, but they must file for a permit. Failure to obtain a permit could result in the issuance of a citation and fine.

SPRING TIME CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

Spring brings us warm weather and sunny days. Flowers start to bloom and so does neighborhood crimes. We forget about the little things that can make us potential victims of a crime.

Neighbors watching out for each other is one of the best crime prevention tools. Get involved in your community, and help us keep your spring happy and safe.

Here are just a few things to remember this spring to stay safe:

- During the spring weather, many people open windows or sliding glass doors while they are at home. Always remember to close and lock your windows and sliding doors when you go to bed or leave the house.
- Keep doors locked at all times. If you are working in the back yard, keep your front door and garage door closed and locked; and lock your back door when you are in the front yard. Always lock your doors when you leave, even if you only plan to be gone for a few minutes.
- Be aware of home improvement scams. If you did not solicit the contractor or salesman who shows up at your door unannounced, be cautious of doing business with that person. This type of worker or salesman will usually ask for money up front for costs and only accepts cash. Reputable contractors do not ask for all the money up front. Some might tell you it's a "today only price", don't fall for that either. Please remember that order to solicit sales door-to-door in Hilliard, the person must have a permit issued by the City of Hilliard, so ask for it. If not, contact police and do not conduct business with them.
- Prune trees & cut back shrubbery: Trees and shrubbery should be trimmed 6 inches below windows and at least 3 feet away from doors. Shrubbery such as rose bushes or other thorny varieties serve as a good deterrent to thieves trying to use windows.
- Warm, sunny days invite drivers to roll down the windows, and for some, drive with the top down on their cars. Drivers and passengers are reminded to be cautious when leaving a vehicle open. Please lock up your vehicles and take your keys.
- Bicycles should be secured in the garage or a shed. Residents of Hilliard can register their bikes with the Hilliard Division of Police. For information on bike registration call 334.2487.



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"Despite the forecast, live like it's Spring." - Lilly Pulitzer