

ALSIP NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Working Together To Make Alsip A Great Place To Live

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SECURE YOUR HOME FOR SUMMER VACATION

Going on a trip? Take precautions to keep potential intruders away from your property.

Arrange for mail and newspapers to be held while you are away. They can pile up quickly, and overflowing mailboxes are a sure sign you are *not* home.

If you have an alarm system, show it off by placing an easy to see sign on your door, window or front lawn.

Improve your doors kick-in resistance by replacing ½-inch brass mounting screws with 3-inch screws that reach the door's studs.

Secure all doors and windows but leave some drapes and window treatments slightly open. Put some indoor lights on timers.

Invest in motion sensing floodlights for your backyard or driveway. Glaring light will

deter potential intruders.

Leave a radio or television on in your home and a vehicle in your driveway.

Take a walk around your house before you leave and give your house sitter a spare key. **DO NOT** hide the key under a rock, doormat, or in the BBQ grill.

Alert a neighbor, family member, or friend that you will be away, so they can keep an eye on your home. Avoid making comments on



social networking websites of your plans to go on vacation.

Complete an Alsip Police Department Security Check Report Form at no cost and Alsip patrol officers will perform a daily premise check of your home while you are away.

Forms are available at the front desk of the Alsip Police Department or contact the Crime Prevention Unit 708-385-6902 ext. 249.

School is Out – Drive Safely

As the school year ends, the Alsip Police Department would like to remind everyone to drive safely.

Please help kids enjoy their summer vacation by being aware of pedestrians, bike riders

etc. Obey posted speed limits and use extra caution at stop signs and in residential areas.

Illinois law now requires ALL vehicle passengers, including back seat passengers, to wear seat belts. Remember to buckle

up and secure children under 8 years old in age-appropriate child safety seats.

Contact Ofc. R. Merlo at 708-385-6902 ext. 249 to schedule a safety seat inspection.

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

5-3: 13000 BLK SPENCER CT.: (2) vehicles entered and several power tools stolen ;(1) vehicle window shattered and (1) vehicle unlocked

5-9: 4100 BLK 127th ST.: Currency stolen from center counsel of unlocked vehicle

5-23: 4100 BLK 116th ST.: Power tools stolen from grey Jeep; unlocked parked on street

Burglary – Residential

5-5: 4300 BLK PARK LN.: Prescriptions & jewelry stolen from residence

5-12: 12800 BLK BLOSSOM DR.: Forced entry made into residence in attempt to steal items

5-13: 11800 BLK KARLOV: Laptop stolen from residence; entry forced

5-19: 5500 BLK 127th ST.: Unlocked patio door opened in attempt to steal items from residence

5-23: 12000 BLK LAVERGNE: Forced entry into attached garage; vehicle then burglarized

5-25: 11600 BLK KEDVALE: Forced entry to residence; unknown items stolen

5-28: 4200 BLK 118th PL.: Forced entry to residence; unknown items stolen

Criminal Damage & Defacement to Property

5-10: 3700 BLK 120th ST.: Window of residence damaged; suspect named

5-14: 12600 BLK KEDZIE AVE.: Window shattered on black Chrysler parked in lot

5-16: 11800 BLK LAVERGNE: Tires and paint damaged on white Chevrolet; arrest made

5-16: 11800 BLK JOALYCE: Rear window damaged on red Ford

5-22: 3900 BLK 117th ST.: Tires damaged on silver Hyundai; Arrest made

5-23: 11800 BLK KARLOV: Table & door damaged on residence by named subject

5-28: 12000 BLK KILDARE AVE.: Tire damaged on silver Chevrolet; suspect named

Identity Theft Crimes

5-6: 5500 BLK CAL SAG RD.: Unauthorized transactions made on victims account

5-12: 12000 BLK KILDARE AVE.: Victims personal info given to scam

5-16: 11900 BLK RIDGEWAY AVE.: Victims personal info used to obtain lines of credit

5-21: 4000 BLK 127th ST.: Victims personal info used to open account with utility company

5-26: 12700 BLK LACROSSE AVE.: Fraudulent accounts opened using victim's personal info

5-25: 4300 BLK LINECREST DR.: Multiple unauthorized transactions made using victims account number

5-27: 4700 BLK 115th PL.: Victims personal info used to open account with out authority

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

5-6: 4300 BLK PARK LN DR.: Gold Chevrolet stolen from parking lot; recovered

5-19: 12700 BLK KENNETH AVE.: Silver Audi stolen from the parking lot of residence

Theft Over/Under \$500.00

5-6: 11200 BLK LECLAIRE AVE.: Children's rollercoaster toy stolen from front of residence

5-17: 4100 BLK 127th ST.: Back pack & headphones stolen inside residence; suspect named

5-24: 3600 BLK 123rd PL.: Prescriptions stolen from residence; suspect(s) named

5-25: 3900 BLK 124th ST.: Cell phone stolen from inside residence; suspect named

5-27: 12300 BLK TRUMBULL AVE.: Men's mountain bike stolen from back yard; unknown offender

5-30: 4300 BLK LINECREST DR.: Air compressor & nail gun stolen from inside property; suspect named

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



Awareness is
the Key
to Your Safety.

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Police Chief Chris Radz Retires !

After 32 years the Village of Alsip says good bye to Police Chief Chris Radz. Radz was hired in 1985 as a dispatcher and worked his way through the ranks. Radz was appointed Police Chief in 2009 and held this position for eight years until this May when he retired.

Radz has been a lifelong resident of Alsip. His legacy in the village is interaction with the residents and the police department. He was instrumental with parents and teachers to help combat bullying and its effects on school children. He gave his time for this by facilitating workshops and

classes to help train professionals to help children who experience bullying.

Radz has received accolades for his public relation skills that touched not only the department but the citizens and businesses of the community.

During a recent board meeting Mayor John Ryan stated, "Anyone who knows Chris knows that they could have contacted him at any time and they would get his help where he could give it, or he would find a viable solution to problems. Chris Radz has made a significant difference in countless lives in a myriad of ways".



Radz stated "It was his privilege to have served the community as a member of the police department as well as a member of the community".

Thank you to Chris Radz for your dedicated service to the Alsip community for all these years. Best wishes to you for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

