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Laguna Niguel Police Services

City of Laguna Niguel Community Publication

National Night Out

National Night Out has been celebrated annually across the country for 29 years in a fight for a safer nation.

For the last two years, Laguna Niguel Police Services provided many activities, displays and crime prevention information for the community at this very special safety event, and we are happy to announce our 3rd annual celebration of National Night Out 2013.

The primary purpose of this nationally known crime prevention event is to promote crime safety and unity within our very own community. A strong police-community partnership is an essential need in striving for a safer city and Laguna Niguel Police Services has continued its efforts to strengthen the partnership between members of the community and law enforcement through various avenues of crime prevention and awareness. National Night Out allows for the opportunity to promote crime safety and unity within our community. Through your support and cooperation, we can continue this great event for the third consecutive year while working together to make Laguna Niguel one of the safest cities in Orange County.

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For this year, National Night Out has been set for Tuesday, August 6, 2013. As a National Night Out tradition for that evening, we ask that you show your support by leaving your outdoor lights on as part of a vigil to show our unity as a city. In addition, please bring your families and join us to celebrate this year's National Night Out event. The celebration will be from 5:00pm to 8:00pm on the softball field at Crown Valley Community Park located at 29751 Crown Valley Parkway in Laguna Niguel. Our celebration will include Orange County Deputies, displays from various units within the Sheriff's Department, such as a mobile command post, mounted enforcement units, bomb squad, a fire engine, food from our local restaurants, games, giveaways, face painting, a petting zoo and much more. We will also have plenty of information on crime prevention, emergency preparedness, fire prevention, drug and alcohol abuse prevention and more.

We look forward to celebrating with you and your family on our special night against crime. Please call your Crime Prevention Specialists at (949) 362-4365 or (949) 362-4305 with any questions. We hope to see you there! 🌐



Tuesday, August 6, 2013
Crown Valley Community Park
Softball Field
5pm – 8 pm

FEATURING

Fire Engine

Games

Giveaways

Face Painting

Petting Zoo

Bomb Squad

Deputies displays

Safety Information

Food from Local Restaurants
including:





Auto Burglary / Car Phishing Prevention

Crime is like a table with three legs - it takes all three legs to stand. If you take away even one leg, the table isn't supported.

Desire, ability, and opportunity must all exist to support crime. Even though we may not be able to stop someone's desire to commit a crime, we can take away their ability and/or their opportunity to commit the crime.

DESIRE + ABILITY + OPPORTUNITY = CRIME

Curb Auto Burglary and Car Phishing

The simple act of placing valuables into the trunk of your car can significantly reduce the likelihood of being a victim of auto burglary and car phishing (a thief stealing from your unlocked car). It only takes a few seconds to put your valuables in the trunk and out of plain view. A laptop, cell phone, GPS, purse, or even a cup holder full of change can tempt a thief.

Sometimes we give the wrong impression to criminals. We put our valuables in the floorboard or seat and cover them. Actually this often has the opposite effect and broadcasts that there is something of value in the car.

Natural Surveillance

One of the techniques used in modern crime prevention is "natural surveillance." While this principle is usually applied to building and area design, you can use it to your advantage too. Park in an area where the likelihood is greatest that others will view it with the greatest frequency. Criminals do not like to commit their acts in plain view of many people, they like seclusion.

Prevention Tips

- Close your windows & lock your doors (the simplest & easiest prevention technique).
- Remove valuables or place them in the trunk of your automobile.
- Remove 'pull-out' style radio face plates (if equipped).
- Park in well-lit areas when possible.
- Park where your car will be easily & frequently viewed (natural surveillance).
- Park in your garage if you have one.
- Use a car alarm, it will alert anyone nearby.



By the Numbers

- 30 - The seconds it takes for a thief to break into your car and steal your valuables!
- 20 - The seconds it takes to put your valuables into your trunk, out of sight! 🌐

SAFE MEDICATION DROP-OFF



The Safe Medication Drop-Off is now open for business!

Bring your unwanted, unused, and expired prescription medications and over-the-counter medications to Laguna Niguel Police Services' Safe Medication Drop-off box. No appointment is needed. This service is safe, free, and anonymous. No questions will be asked, no forms to fill out, just bring your unwanted, unused and expired medications to Laguna Niguel Police Services for safe and proper disposal. South Orange County has seen a dramatic increase in the illegal use of prescription drugs by high school and middle school students. Because these drugs are readily available, and as close as your medicine cabinet or grocery store aisle, our youth have an ample supply to use and abuse daily. With your help of properly ridding your homes of any unused or expired prescription medications, we can continue our efforts in fighting this problem together.

The drop-off box is located in the Laguna Niguel Police Services office at 30111 Crown Valley Parkway, Laguna Niguel. **The drop-off box is available Mon-Fri 8:00am to 5:00pm.** NO syringes, illicit drugs, medical waste, or hazardous waste. These items will NOT be accepted. 🌐

Back To School Safety

Keeping kids safe with the new school year is a number one priority.

As we approach the new school year just a couple months away, here are some important safety tips to be aware of.

- Make sure that your child has some way to contact you. A cell phone for use after school or a trusted neighbor who can allow your child to make a call are good things to have in place.
- If your child walks to school, both you and your child should plan and know the regular route your child will take. Make sure you plan the most direct route keeping in mind intersections that use crossing guards. Advise your children to stay away from vacant lots, fields or parks.
- Teach your kids to obey all traffic signals, signs, and traffic officers. Remind them to take extra precaution when the weather is foggy.
- Make sure they walk to and from school with other kids; a friend, neighbor, brother or sister.
- When carpooling, drop off and pick up children as close to the school as possible. Make sure you are pulled to the curb and stopped before children exit the vehicle. Don't leave until they have entered the school.
- Teach your child never to talk to strangers or accept gifts or rides.
- Avoid putting your child's name on anything that is visible to others. This would allow someone to call your child by name.
- Use the crosswalk. Remember the rules to look left, then right, then left again before crossing if there is no crossing guard.



After School Tips

- Set up rules for locking doors and windows, answering the door or telephone.
- Talk to your children about strangers and not to give the impression that they are home alone after school.
- Make sure she/he checks in with you after school.
- Agree on rules for inviting friends over and for going to a friend's house when no adult is home.
- Take time to listen carefully to children's fears and feelings about people or places that make them feel uneasy. Trust their instincts.

Most important is to communicate these tips with your children and make sure it's clear you are both on the 'same page' as you start off the school year in a safe manner. Communication and setting guidelines are the first step in prevention. 🌍

Vacation Checks



Summer is nearly here which means the kids are out of school and family vacations have just begun.

Before you head off for your vacation this summer, it's always a great idea to have a neighbor or close friend make frequent checks on your home while you are away. Vacation home checks are one of the free services the City of Laguna Niguel Police Services volunteer staff offers to residents while you are away on vacation. Vacation checks are performed Monday-Friday and also include checking the perimeter of the home. The service does not include collecting mail or entering the home. Just knowing there are an extra set of eyes checking on the exterior of your home while you are away can bring a great sense of security.

To request a vacation home check for your next scheduled vacation, please call 949-362-4346 at least two weeks in advance.





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Upcoming Events

3rd Annual National Night Out Tuesday, August 6, 2013, 5:00pm- 8:00pm

Crown Valley Community Park
29751 Crown Valley Parkway

Shredding Event Saturday, August 10, 2013

7:00am- 12:00pm or until shredding trucks reach capacity

Laguna Niguel City Hall
30111 Crown Valley Parkway

Emerging Drug Trends Thursday, August 29, 2013, 6:30pm- 8:30pm

Laguna Niguel City Hall
30111 Crown Valley Parkway
No reservation necessary
For further information, please call 714-647-1806