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Everybody Can Be Part of Neighborhood Watch

Kettering- Often times during the winter months people go away for extended periods. It is crucial that the vacationing homeowner advises a trusted neighbor that they will be away and perhaps leave contact information with that neighbor or a near by family member. The homeowner may ask that the neighbor or family member check on the house on a regular basis and make it appear as if there is some activity at the residence. Mail and newspaper delivery should be stopped and driveways should be cleared of snow. Vacation house checks can be provided by the Kettering Police Department by calling 296-2555.

The Kettering Police Department strongly promotes neighbors looking out for one another. It is recommended if a resident observes suspicious activity around a home at any hour that the police department is contacted. In the event of an emergency or a crime in progress, the caller may dial 911. If possible, the caller should safely attempt to obtain a description of the suspect or suspect vehicle. If the caller is reporting suspicious activity after the incident or if it is a non emergency, the police department can be called at 296-2555.

To learn more about the Neighborhood Watch Program with the Kettering Police Department simply log on to www.ketteringoh.org and click on programs for Police. Some regions are in need of coordinators and involvement. If your particular neighborhood is not in need of a coordinator, you can still be observant and be the eyes and ears of the police. Many crimes are solved with the assistance of witnesses stepping forward.

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