

# SAINT LOUIS COUNTY POLICE

## Neighborhood Watch Letter

April 2015



### *Wildwood Precinct*

16860 Main Street  
Wildwood, MO 63040  
(636) 458-9194



### What's Going on in Wildwood / Upcoming Events

For information on the below listed events please go to [www.cityofwildwood.com](http://www.cityofwildwood.com)

April 11 - Recycle that Bicycle

April 24 – Arbor Day Tree Hugger 5k Run

May 2 – Shredding & Electronic Recycling Event

May 15 – Brit Beat Concert

**It is time to start talking about Prom and Graduation** (Information provided by Rockwood Drug Coalition. Supported by St. Louis County Police)

Eureka Prom April 11, 2015

Graduation May 18, 2015

Lafayette Prom April 25, 2015

Graduation May 20, 2015

Marquette Prom April 11, 2015

Graduation May 21, 2015

Rockwood Summit April 25, 2015

Graduation May 19, 2015



### Simple Things That Assure Safety

#### **1. Know the Plans**

- Who's driving- to and from- Think twice about allowing your under-classman child to travel and party with upper-classmen.
- Who's going- names and numbers- for children and parents.
- Where and when- dinner, dance and after party locations, sequence and contact info.
- Curfew- they really don't *need* to stay out all night or until all hours.
- Touch base- text or quick calls to confirm all is well.
- NO PLAN CHANGES without your involvement.
- Wait up to happily hear all the fun stories.

#### **2. After-Party Safety**

- NO ALCOHOL or other drugs.
- Location, supervision and time frames.
- If kids leave the party, they can't return.
- Food and beverages available are provided, not brought in.
- If more than one party invitation, have your child pick one and avoid "party hopping".
- Offer to help the hosts, or if you're hosting, ask for help.

### **3. General Safe Practice**

- Keep garage doors closed- “Garaging” is a common means for bolder teens to access alcohol.
- Keep alcohol and medications safely locked out of sight to reduce temptations and access.

#### **Provide a Safety Net**

- Talk candidly with your child about balancing safety and fun. Ask about their expectations and concerns.
- Provide an “out” for your teen. Be available to “rescue” them from unsafe circumstances- provide the ride or money for taxi.
- Communicate/network with other parents to assure common expectations.
- Take stock of your alcohol and lock it up. Consider it “age appropriate cabinet latching”.

#### **Things to Know**

- Revised MIP Statute:** The Missouri Liquor Control Law (Chapter 311.325) states that if it can be shown that a minor has consumed alcohol, the minor can be charged with Minor in Possession (MIP). It is no longer necessary for possession of containers, open or otherwise, as a basis for arrest *and legal BAC for minors is .02.*
- Local Curfew Laws:** Throughout the Rockwood region, it is unlawful for anyone under the age of 17 to be in a public or unsupervised place between the hours of 11 PM and 6 AM Sunday-Thursday and 12 Midnight to 6 AM Friday-Saturday, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- Social Hosting Liability:** Numerous Rockwood municipalities and the state of Missouri have laws that specifically prohibit adults allowing underage drinking on their property- wittingly or not. Over 40 residents in the cities of Chesterfield, Clarkson Valley, Eureka and Wildwood have been found in violation of municipal social hosting ordinances in recent years. Don’t add to this number.

**Anonymous reports** of suspicious activity or party plans can be made to your local police departments at the following numbers:

Ballwin	636-227-9636	Chesterfield	636-537-3000
Clarkson Valley	314-615-0700	Ellisville	636-227-7777
Eureka	636-938-6600	Fenton	636-349-8120
Manchester	636-227-1410	Wildwood	636-458-9194
Winchester	314-615-0700		



## **Social Media**

If you keep track of what's going on thru the use of social media, I would like to make you aware of St. Louis County Police Social Media Sites.

Main Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/StLouisCountyPolice>

Wildwood Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/StlCountyPDWildwood>

St. Louis County Instagram Account - <https://instagram.com/stlcountypd/>

St. Louis County P.D. Twitter Account - <https://twitter.com/stlcountypd>

## **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

Wildwood Precinct	636-458-9194	Crime Stoppers	866-371-8477
Non-Emergency 911	314-889-2341	Safe Schools Hotline	314-889-7233
Wildwood City Hall	636-458-0440	Drug Hotline	314-863-3673
Animal Control	314-726-6655	Neighborhood Preservation	314-615-4151