

O'Fallon Police

Neighborhood Watch Newsletter - April 2019



On March 19 we met with citizens at the McDonald's on East Hwy 50 for another successful **Coffee with a Cop** event. Great conversation was shared by all.

Thank you to everyone that was able to come out and participate. We look forward to our next Coffee with a Cop so **please pay attention to our posts for the next scheduled event!**



YOUTH Police Academy



OPD is hosting a summer Youth Academy at Carriel Jr. High from **June 24 – 28**. The class is limited to 20 Students and will fill quickly. Admission will be on a "first come, first serve" basis, with preference given to O'Fallon residents and students. There is a cost of **\$25.00** to be paid on the first day of the academy. For more info and application:

www.ofallon.org/programs/pages/youth-police-academy



Crime Prevention Tips

Do you have surveillance cameras on your home or business? If so, please let us know so we can use your footage to help solve crimes in your neighborhood!

Register Here: <https://www.ofallon.org/police-department/webforms/private-video-surveillance-camera-registration>

- All we need is your contact information so we can ask you to review your video if a crime is reported in your area





REMINDER! OPD hosts a **Drug Take Back Event** the first Saturday of every month in the lobby from 11AM – 1 PM.

Safely disposing of medications:

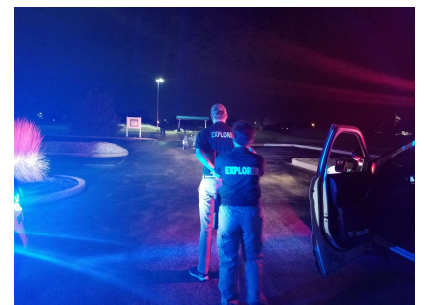
- Keeps the medication out of our water supply
- Keeps addictive and dangerous medicine from falling into the wrong hands

***We cannot take any needles, inhalers or liquids**

In addition to our monthly safe drug disposal event, the **DEA National Take Back Day is Saturday, April 27**. OPD is participating in this event, which lasts from 10 AM – 2 PM. According to the 2016 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, **6.2 million Americans misused controlled prescription drugs**. The study shows that *a majority of abused prescription drugs were obtained from family and friends, often from the home medicine cabinet.*

The O’Fallon Police Department Explorer Post has been busy the last few months. Our members have participated in numerous events to include Cops and Kids, Breakfast with Santa, Special Olympics Polar Plunge, as well as training on traffic stops, first aid, building searches and crime scene processing. Many of the members have participated in ride-alongs with officers, as well as observation time in the communication center.

The Police Explorers are affiliated with Scouts and are open to young men and women, **aged 14-20 who are interested in law enforcement**. An Explorer must maintain at least a “C” average in school and keep their private life clean. Applications may be found at: www.ofallon.org/programs/pages/police-explorers

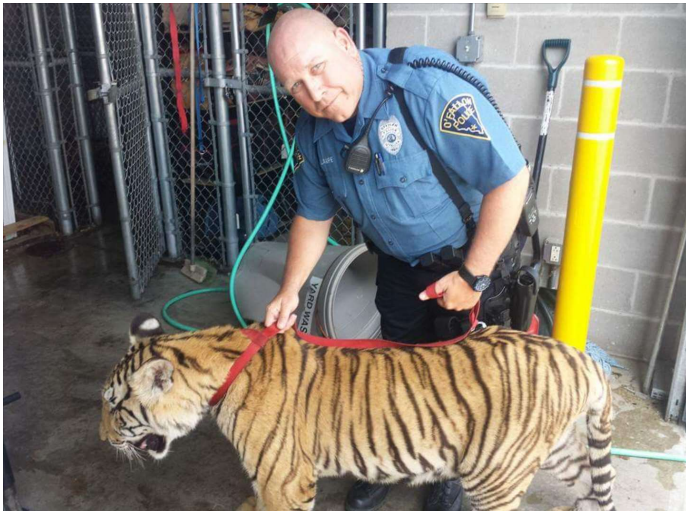


Get to Know Your O'Fallon Police Department

A new feature in the Neighborhood Watch Newsletter

Detective Andrew Lampe

- O'Fallon Police Officer for 14 ½ years (Hired October 2004)
- US Army Veteran (1987-1995)
- Former Sergeant with Cahokia PD (1996-2004)
- Currently assigned to Criminal Investigations Division
- Member of OPD Honor Guard
- Post Advisor for OPD Youth Explorers
- Enjoys working on firearms, target shooting, and scuba diving vacations in his spare time



Save the Date!

O'Fallon-Shiloh EMS will be hosting their annual open house on **May 15, 2019 from 4 – 7 PM** at the Public Safety Facility. Follow "O'Fallon-Shiloh EMS" on Facebook for additional details as the date gets closer!



OPD Recruitment

Testing for Police Officer candidates will be conducted on May 18, 2019 at Southwestern Illinois College in Belleville. If you or someone you know is interested in a career in law enforcement, please go to www.wearthebadge.com for more information. OPD will host a test prep course to help prepare candidates for the written exam.

Important Contacts

Police/Fire/EMS **Emergency – 911**
Non-Emergency Police – 624-4545
Non-Emergency Fire – 624-4519
City Hall – 624-4500
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