



# St. Louis County Police Department Valley Park Detail Community Newsletter

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## Summer Safety Tips

### Home Safety Tips

Be aware of what's happening in the neighborhood. Share information about any suspicious activities in your neighborhood with police.

Lock your doors, including the car, garage, and shed doors. Unlocked doors are open invitations to criminals.

Ask a trusted family member, friend, or trusted neighbor to keep a watchful eye on your home and have your mail held at the local post office when you are away on vacation.

Put lights on timers to give the impression that someone is home.

Do not post on social media that you are leaving town, and wait to post photos until after you return from your trip.

### Vacation Tips

Lock your hotel room. Don't give out your room number or invite strangers into your hotel room.

Be friendly but be vigilant. Watch for and report any suspicious behavior.

Plan your route – stay within well-traveled routes and walk in groups. There's safety in numbers.

Keep purses securely closed, backpacks zipped, and keep wallets in your front pocket. When dining in restaurants, do not hang your purse or backpack on the back of your chair.

### Tips for Parents

Be proactive – make a backup plan in case the group gets separated during a family outing and have a scheduled meeting place and time.

If your child or teen will be alone for a significant amount of time, have him/her check in with you. Also, have them check in if they plan to leave the house and when they arrive back home.

Monitor internet and social media activity to ensure children and teens are visiting appropriate sites and following guidelines.

### Car Safety Tips

Always lock the doors and roll up the windows when you leave your car.

Do not leave valuables in the car. If you must leave prized possessions in your vehicle, keep them out of sight or hidden in the trunk.

Before you get into your car, check the backseat and around the car. Lock your doors once inside the car.

These prevention tips are simple steps to avoiding summertime crime.

### Meet Your Officers

**Officer Schaumann** has been a police officer for 8 years, 5 years in the City of Valley Park.



### Favorites

Food- Maraschino Cherries  
Drink- Tang  
Team- Valley Park Hawks  
Movie- Speed 2: Cruise Control  
Hobbies- Table tennis, cooking



## PIPES & DRUMS

After performing at the State Police Memorial Memorial Services in Jefferson City, members of the St. Louis County Pipes & Drums were personally thanked by Governor Parson who presented each band member with a Governor's Challenge Coin for their participation in the service. The recognition came as a surprise to the members who were thankful to Governor Parson. The State Memorial Service is just one example of the types of events where SLCPD Pipes & Drums performs.

DEA NATIONAL <sup>Rx</sup>  
**TAKEBACK**



| Location                      | Pounds         |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| North County Precinct Station | 20             |
| Central County Precinct       | 3              |
| Afton-Southwest Precinct      | 48             |
| Marlborough City Hall         | 40             |
| Green Park City Hall          | 40             |
| Grantwood Village Hall        | 18             |
| South County Precinct         | 132            |
| Fenton City Hall              | 201            |
| Wildwood City Hall            | 86             |
| Valley Park City Hall         | 12             |
| West County Precinct          | 15             |
| Twin Oaks City Hall           | 12             |
| Jennings Precinct             | 15             |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>642 lbs</b> |

We want to thank everyone who participated in National DEA Drug Take Back Day on April 30, 2022. Our department collected over 600 pounds of unwanted medications. If you need to safely dispose of unused or unwanted medication, please contact one of our precincts to see if there is a collection box near you.

<https://www.stlouiscountypolice.com/precincts>



Congratulations to the Valley Park Hawks baseball team on a great season and a 4<sup>th</sup> place finish at the Class 3 State Baseball Tournament!



June 14<sup>th</sup> is the 247<sup>th</sup> birthday of the United States Army. We are thankful to our officers and all those who have served and are currently serving our country.

## #9PM Routine

- ✓ Cars Locked?
- ✓ Garage Closed?
- ✓ Windows Shut?
- ✓ Doors Secured?

Don't be an easy Target.  
Do the #9PMRoutine

### Contact Us

Valley Park Police Station  
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Police Dispatch  
(636) 529-8210



ST. LOUIS  
**COUNTY**  
DRUG TASK FORCE

**DRUG HOTLINE**



**314-863-DOPE (3673)**

The anonymous telephone hotline is to report drug activity in St. Louis County. All information reported will be treated as confidential and will be investigated as such. The Hotline is active 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Help keep your neighborhood drug free!