

## **Weekly Police Beat for the Week Ending 11/4/2016**

### **Lock Your Car EVERY Time You Park (For Goodness Sake)**

October was quite interesting with 2 bait car activations and 3 thieves arrested as a result. The only reason that these thieves continue to return to the Village is because some residents persist in leaving their cars unlocked.

Our thieves simply walk through the Village in the dark of night and pull on car door handles. There's no need for them to break in because some of us simply invite them in by leaving cars unlocked. The thieves have learned that cars are left unlocked here, so they come back. And why shouldn't they? Experience has shown that they always find unlocked cars, so their odds are quite good.

Think of this analogy: Leaving cars unlocked is like leaving food in the campsite in bear country. They will come back looking for it until they realize that there's no food anymore. We have to stop doing this.

It is SO easy to simply push the lock button on the key fob. Those who leave their cars unsecured are impacting the larger community by contributing to the theft problem. Each of us has an obligation to lock up.

Just lock your car. Push that button. Please.