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Forsyth County Sheriff's Office website Facebook Twitter

The Neighborhood Watch program of the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office has over 320 Neighborhoods now, which is almost half of the neighborhoods in our County of over 175,000 people. They have expanded their Business Watch program to nearly 1000 businesses. The Community Relations Unit started a Facebook page in July of 2011 in an effort to communicate with the citizens in "real time". They interact with citizens daily, answering questions, announcing community events, and sharing breaking news and traffic alerts. They have just fewer than 2600 "likes" on their page. They also have a twitter account which is posted directly with the Facebook page. There are almost 650 followers on their twitter pages. As an agency, they are about five months into the "Project Lifesaver Forsyth" program. They take part of Project Lifesaver, a program for adults and children who wander due to medical conditions such as dementia and autism. The goal is to find people and get them home safely in the shortest time possible. They currently have thirteen adults and five children on the program. Here is a link to Operation Lifesaver's website for more detailed information http://www.projectlifesaver.org/. The unit also began "Safe Kids Forsyth" in December of 2010. A grass-roots coalition of Safe Kids Georgia and Safe Kids USA, Safe Kids Forsyth works with hospitals, civic groups, businesses, schools, and citizens to develop and institute programs dedicated to reducing the incidence of unintentional childhood injury in children ages 0-14. Lead Agency, Forsyth County Sheriff's Office, along with partners from Forsyth County Fire Department, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Georgia State Patrol, and others work together to provide educational information, interactive events, and safety products such as child safety seats to all kids and parents in Forsyth County.

Bath Police Department website

In 2012, the Bath Police Department has volunteers that volunteer over 400 hours of time. Although it's a small, they are a very dedicated group of individuals that do a variety of tasks for the department. It has numerous different watch groups consisting of Neighborhood Radar Speed watch where volunteers are trained in the use of portable radar units to prevent speeding thru neighborhoods. There is also a Neighborhood Vacant House Watch where a team of two volunteers where reflective wests and a well-marked vehicle to notify the Police dept. of a vacant house while they are away on vacation of for other reasons. There are numerous other watch groups that the Bath Police Department works closely with to help stay active with the members of their communities. Island property watch: There are 4 islands that belong to Bath on the Kennebec River. All of these islands have cottages on them. A team of two VIPS members operates a 21' boat and visits these cottages on a more or less weekly basis. Any problems would be promptly forwarded to the Bath Police Dept. This program is run from early spring to late fall. The Juvenile resolution program includes several VIPS members who have been trained by the State Dept. of Corrections to provide an alternative to 1st time youth offenders to avoid the court system. The offender and the offended meet in a small community setting to discuss the ramifications of the offense and a resolution is agreed upon. Community service and the offender taking financial responsibility usually is the resolution. The department has even made "Go Bags" which are emergency equipment bags provided to elderly resident who are involved in our "Project Good Morning". When monies permit, VIPS and the Bath Police Dept. conduct an 8 week program, for citizens of Bath, to educate on many activities involved in police work. VIPS and Bath Fire provide this free service to any resident who request a safety check of their home. (This program is currently on hold as we have had difficulty managing schedules.) Bath Police Dept. patrol members give a coupon called "cool kid coupon" to a kid "caught in the act of doing a good deed". It can be redeemed at a local ice cream store. Program is funded by VIPS.

Menomonee Falls NW website **Twitter:**@MenomoneeFalls

The Neighborhood Watch program began in 1986 in Menomonee Falls when the first group started with just 60 homes and less than 100 people. Today, there are 154 specific Neighborhood Watch groups, which include about 4,500 homes and their residents. In addition, personalized home security surveys are offered by Menomonee Falls Police officers, which are available to any Village resident who requests this service. Several Menomonee Falls Police officers have been specially trained in this Crime Prevention sub-specialty, which assists residents in "target-hardening" their residence in order to promote residential safety and hopefully minimize thefts, burglary, and other serious crimes.