

Private Security

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Greetings to all Lake Holiday resident, family and friends! This month, I will be addressing some questions that were presented to me recently by a few residents.

Q: Does the monthly Security report in the Board Meeting minutes include every criminal call that occurred within Lake Holiday?

A: No. Our report is limited to calls that were initially received by the Lake Holiday Security staff. Some of these calls involved criminal activity, while others did not. If your call involved criminal activity and you notified the Sheriffs Department and not Lake Holiday Security, your call would NOT be included in the Security report. We stay in day-to-day contact with the Sheriffs Department and we notify them whenever we receive a criminal call from a Lake Holiday resident. All criminal activity calls that derive within Lake Holiday are the responsibility of the LaSalle County Sheriffs Department.

Q: I am going out of town and I would like to have LHPS watch my house while I'm away. I will be leaving the keys with family nearby. How will LHPS watch my house?

A: If you are planning a vacation or if you are going to be absent from your residence for an extended duration of time, you have the option of completing a "house check" form with LHPS. These forms are available at the LHPS office or on the LHPOA website. Once we receive the completed paperwork, we will check your residence once per shift (three times in a 24 hour period) until your return date. We walk around the residential structures of your property to notice if anything is out of place or damaged. We do not physically check doors, door locks, windows, docks, gate and fence locks, garage doors, alarm systems, watercrafts or vehicles. We do not check pets or animals. LHPS staff will walk the perimeter of your property during daylight and darkness hours while you are away.

Q: Do I have to bring my 2010 amenity pass with me every time I go fishing at a green area?

A: Yes. You must always carry your amenity pass when you are using a Lake Holiday amenity. Whether you are fishing, boating or going swimming at a Lake Holiday beach, you must carry your pass. Failure to carry a LH pass while using an amenity is a violation of the Lake Holiday rules and you may be fined and asked to leave the area until you have your pass with you. Do not give your pass to unregistered family members or friends. This is also a LH rule violation. Your pass has your name typed on it because YOU are the only person allowed to use it.

BOATING CHECKLIST – Time to register your watercrafts!

Is your watercraft registered with the State?

Do you have a life jacket for everyone on board?

Are your LH red numbers properly affixed to both sides of your watercraft?

Are your State numbers affixed to both sides of the bow on your watercraft?

Do you have a valid State sticker?

Do all the navigation lights on your boat work properly?

Please check and make sure you have completed all of these guidelines before you get underway. And always carry your LH pass when you take your boat out. Please operate your watercraft safely.