

Summertime Crime

In 1957 Sam Cooke recorded the great Gershwin standard "Summertime."

"Summertime and the living is easy
Fish are jumping and the cotton is high
Your daddy's rich and your mama's good-looking"

A nice picture, but summertime can be much different if you, your family or your home fall victim to crime. Unfortunately 2010 has brought an increase in crime to San Marino. The most significant portions of that crime have been in burglaries and thefts. As part of its ongoing effort to keep our community safe your San Marino Police Department is asking you to remain alert and diligent as we move into the summer months.

Remember:

Lock your doors and windows when you go out;

Don't leave cash and jewelry in plain sight. Lock up your valuables and only tell their location to people who need to know;

Close pet doors whenever possible

Do not leave valuables unattended and visible in your car;

Never leave your car running unattended, even to dash into a business or store;

Personal identification documents, credit cards or vehicle ownership title should not be in your car;

If you are going away for an extended period of time ask a neighbor you know to watch your home or ask the police department to place your home on our House Watch list;

Have your neighbor pick up your newspaper and mail while you are away;

Report suspicious individuals or activity immediately;

Get involved with Neighborhood Watch.

If you have questions about crime or general safety, please feel free to call the police department (626) 300-0720.