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Safeguarding your mobile phone •

As many as 10,000 mobile phones are stolen every month. Two thirds of the victims are aged between 13 and 16. Many phones are also stolen from unattended cars. Here are some practical measures you can take to keep your mobile phone safe.

Remember to...

- * Keep your phone out of sight in your pocket or handbag when not in use.
- * Use your phone's security lock code, if it has one.
- * Record details of your electronic serial number (ESN) and consider separate insurance.

- * Some phones have an IMEI number which is a unique identifier for the phone; you can obtain this number by typing *#06# (star hash 06 hash) into your mobile phone and it will display a 15 digit number.

- * Property mark your phone with your postcode and door number to help police identify stolen ones.

- * Report a lost or stolen phone to the police immediately.

- * Inform your service provider if your phone is stolen or lost.

Don't Do...

- * Attract attention to your phone when you are carrying or using it in the street.

- * Park in isolated or dark areas.

- * Leave your phone in an unattended car - if you must, lock it out of sight. It only takes seconds for a thief to smash a window and steal your phone.

By taking these simple precautions, you can protect your phone.

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GARDEN CITY POLICE
COMMUNITY SERVICES

**CITY DEPARTMENT
PHONE NUMBERS**

EMERGENCY- 911

POLICE 793-1700

DETECTIVE BUREAU 793-1710

CITY HALL 793-1600

21ST DIST. COURT 793-1680

BUILDING DEPT. 793-1650

CITY CLERK 793-1620

LIBRARY 793-1830

MAPLEWOOD CTR. 793-1850

PARKS & REC. 793-1880

Credit Card Safety Tips

- * Only give your credit card account number to make a purchase or reservation you have initiated. And never give this information over a cellular phone.
- * Save all receipts, and compare them to your monthly bill. Immediately report any discrepancies.
- * Always report lost or stolen cards to the issuing company immediately.
- * Never give your credit card to someone else to use on your behalf.
- * Keep a master list in a secure place at home with the account numbers and phone numbers for reporting stolen or lost cards.
- * This limits any unauthorized use of your card and permits the company to begin the process of issuing a new card.
- * Watch your credit card after giving it to store clerk to protect against extra imprints being made.
- * Carry your credit cards separate from your wallet.
- * Destroy any carbons. Do not discard into trash can at the purchase counter. Keep charge slips in a safe place.

Remember....

Neighborhood Watch meeting will begin again soon. As a reminder, the meetings are still held at the Garden City

Community Center on the first Tuesday of the following months:

OCTOBER
DECEMBER

MARCH

MAY

I will look forward to seeing you there. Thank you.
Det./Sgt. Brian Aure'

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCK / CITY CRIME STATS

July Crime Statistics - Offenses that were attempted or completed

Arson 0
Breaking & Entering 21
Larceny 61
Sexual Assault 2
Stolen Vehicles 8
Assaults 54
Murder 0

Robbery 4
Public Peace 102
Fraud 22
Drug Violations 8
Property Damage 28
Weapon Offenses 46
Drunk Driving 11

ARRESTS

97 Adults were arrested this month.

The numbers listed are statistics for the entire city during the month listed