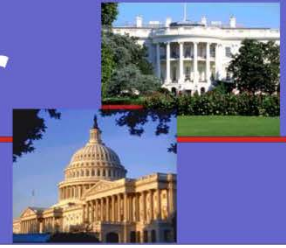




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Association Events

- **7.10.13 - STAA Golf Tournament**
Is being held on Wednesday July 10. 4 man scramble. Tee-off is 8am. Lunch, awards ceremony and prize raffle immediately following tournament. Go to www.southtexasalarm.com to register.
- **7.10.13 - MDBFAA Happy Hour**
The July 10th happy hour will be in down town Baltimore at Mex Tequila Bar 26 Market Place, Baltimore, MD 21236. From 5 to 8pm. We will be seated outside there is \$5 parking if you park at Pier V Garage, on the corner of Pratt St & President St (\$5 Vouchers Available). You will need to bring in their tickets to get a voucher.
- **9.19.13- OKBFAA Business Seminar and Golf Scramble**
September 19, 2013—Edmond, OK - 8:30—11:00 Seminar followed by Golf Scramble. [More Info](#)

Door to Door Sales



- **Vivint diversifying sales model**
6.26.13 - Provo, Utah - Vivint is not just a door-knocking company anymore. It's opening a new 400-employee sales center to diversity its sales model. Vivint's Josh Houser tells Security Systems News how much of an increase in inside sales the company is aiming for and what this new center means for the summer sales program. [More Info](#)
- **WV: Be Aware Of Scams**
6.26.13 - Wetzel Chronicle - The recording warns the alarm is necessary to protect against a long list of dangers, ... It claims that you can get an alarm system worth several hundred dollars ... [More Info](#)
- **Some security system sales are alarming**
6.27.13 - Allentown Morning Call - A few local homeowners are sounding the alarm against some alarm salesmen, saying they've acted just as deviously as the devils that security systems are ... [More Info](#)

Public Safety Updates

- **AR: Fmr. Bryant officer given the city's highest honor - KATV - Breaking ...**
6.29.13 – KATV - He responded to a burglar alarm going off at a Fred's store in Bryant to find Tommy O'Dell who was wanted in Mattoon, Illinois for murder. O'Dell shot him three ... [More Info](#)
- **CA: Running For Office In Santa Monica To Cost \$25**
6.29.13 - Santa Monica Mirror - Previously, a fine was assessed on the third occurrence of a false alarm. ... City staff estimates the fine for second false alarms would generate \$175,246 in ... [More Info](#)
- **MD: Pr. George's permit office to open Monday, pledging faster service**
6.28.13 – Washington Post - The new office in Largo will be a one-stop spot for permit and license applications, among other functions. [More Info](#)
- **MI: City of Plymouth Ordinance #2013-01**
6.24.13 - Hometownlife.com - Alarm user is defined as any person on whose premises an alarm system is ... If, however, an alarm system on a motor vehicle is connected with an alarm... [More Info](#)
- **NC: City considering false alarm fees**
6.26.13 - SecurityInfoWatch - Two officers arrive to find a sheepish homeowner and a false alarm. ... Of the 25,670 burglary alarm calls made to Wilson police in a recent five-year period, a full ... [More Info](#)




- **OK: Council votes to hike rates**
6.26.13 - The Lawton Constitution - City administrators had calculated the new fee could generate \$300,000 in new revenue, but council members removed that fee and a proposal for a new alarm ... [More Info](#)
- **ON: Windsor fire officials release results of smoke alarm campaign**
6.29.13 - CTV News - Windsor Fire and Rescue Services members and volunteers have completed its first round of the "Wake up! Get a Working Smoke Alarm" educational campaign. [More Info](#)
- **PA: Lower Macungie gets tough on false alarms**
6.26.13 - Allentown Morning Call - Lower Macungie Township is cracking down on businesses and homeowners whose alarm systems prompt what turn out to be needless responses to their ...[More Info](#)
- **TX: City Council works to revise renaming policy**
6.25.13 - Belton Journal - Police Chief Gene Ellis also presented an ordinance for approval to reduce the amount of false burglar alarms in residences and homes. The ordinance ... [More Info](#)

Industry News



- **School security by the numbers**
6.28.13 - Security Info Watch - Earlier this week, the National Center for Education Statistics in partnership with the Bureau of Justice Statistics released the 2012 edition of their annual "Indicators of School Crime and Safety" study, which included several positive findings with regards to security improvements made over the last decade in U.S. public schools. [More Info](#)
- **Fire alarm communicator offers choice of IP, 4G or cellular**
6.20.13 - SecurityInfoWatch - Northford, Conn., – Honeywell Power announces a fire alarm communications panel that allows installers to easily select IP, GSM (cellular) ... [More Info](#)
- **DirectTV Enters The Home Security Market With Lifeshield Security ...**
6.24.13 - Trefis -The siren detector can "hear" when a smoke alarm sounds and alerts the central ... Lifeshield offers good cellular based alarm systems with a simple setup and ... [More Info](#)
- **Report: U.S. government market for access control to see modest growth**
6.25.13 – SecurityInfoWatch - Despite spending cuts, market projected to reach nearly \$200M this year [More Info](#)
- **AT&T rolls out 'Digital Life' in five new markets**
6.27.13 - Security Info Watch - As of today, AT&T customers in Boston, Cleveland, Detroit, Portland, and San Antonio can purchase the company's "Digital Life" home security and automation service. In addition, the company also announced that its' Digital Life central station operators have achieved CSAA Five Diamond Certification. The company plans to introduce its home security offering in up to 50 markets by the end of 2013. [More Info](#)
- **Dynamark Security Centers Acquires Midwest Central Station**
6.27.13 - Security Sales & Integration - Dynamark Security Centers, an independent dealer program, has expanded its footprint in the Midwest following its acquisition of Security Service Center (SSC), a central station... [read more](#)

Legislative Report

Full Text	Brief Description and Current Status	History
DEHB00202 Text 	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 24 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS AND PRIVATE SECURITY AGENCIES. This bill changes the requirements for security guard and private investigator licenses by (a) making the qualifications uniform for both occupations; (b) providing that a license may still be issued for persons convicted of 2 or less drug or theft-related misdemeanors, so long as the misdemeanors are more than 7 years old; and (c) disqualifying juveniles adjudicated delinquent of a felony level offense unless they are at least 25 years old. Status: Jun 20, 2013 : Introduced and Assigned to Sunset Committee (Policy Analysis & Government Accountability) Committee in House	History

State Trends



- **Tax man cometh: New tax laws take effect July 1**
6.27.13 - Stateline- July 1 is the beginning of the fiscal year in most states, and the preferred start date for new or updated taxes. This year, legislatures changed tax rates on significant parts of the economy, including gasoline or fuel levies, sales taxes and property taxes... [More Info](#)
- **MI: Snyder signs bills for home alarm systems, backing off possible veto ...**
6.25.13 - MLive.com - Lansing, MI - Michigan Republican Gov. Rick Snyder on Tuesday signed a series of bills that his office said will remove regulatory "burdens" ... [More Info](#)
- **New laws on guns, drones, more start Monday**
6.30.13 - New state laws on everything from gun background checks to drinking on election day and more kick in around the nation starting on Monday. Richard Taylor, manager at Firing-Line gun store in Aurora, Colo., shows some of the pistols he won't be able to sell after Sunday because their magazines hold more than 15 rounds. Early July is about more than fireworks, cookouts and long weekends. It's also about hundreds of new state laws. [More Info](#)
- **News You Can Use: Consumer-Focused Laws Take Effect July 1**
6.30.13 - Stateline - Some of the hundreds of new state laws that are supposed to kick in on July 1, 2013 will be challenged in the courts. For example, opponents have sued to stop a new Alabama law [requiring](#) that abortion doctors have staff privileges at local hospitals... [More Info](#)
- **MD: New smoke alarm law taking effect**
6.29.13 - CapitalGazette.com - Beginning Monday, new smoke alarms required in Maryland homes are equipped with a hush button, which fire officials hope could cut down ...[More Info](#)

National News

- No items this week



Business Tips

- **Ask great questions: Leadership skills of Socrates**
6.18.13 - Forbes - Building a successful venture means consistently making good decisions. The question is how to become great at making good decisions. The answer is to look to Socrates. This ancient philosopher holds the key to an essential leadership skill: ask great questions. The challenge is that too few leaders, managers and employees ask great questions. This is a big problem. Cultures that embrace a culture of questioning thrive and those that fear it either fail or are doomed to mediocrity. [More Info](#)
- **You lost them at hello**
6.24.13 - MultiBriefs - When you greet people, how long do you shake their hand? Authorities on business etiquette suggest no more than three or four seconds. A handshake that goes on for too long can produce the opposite effect of what is intended, making the other person feel ill at ease rather than welcome. The same holds true for communication, especially spoken communication. A greeting and a few brief introductory remarks help you connect with your audience, but then it's time to get to the point — or risk losing them altogether. [More Info](#)
- **Forget Multitasking, Work in Batch Mode**
6.21.13 - CIO Insight - Follow Donald Knuth's advice and focus only on the task at hand so you can efficiently create your best work. [More Info](#)
- **Is This the New Golden Age of Customer Service ...**
6.19.13 - AMEX - Look around and you'll notice plenty of evidence that the golden age of customer service is dead. Gas stations make drivers pump their own ... [More Info](#)



Fire News



- **CO: Family Displaced After House Fire in Colorado Springs**
6.26.13 - KKTU 11 News - A Springs family was fast asleep when the blaring sound of their smoke alarm jolted them awake. A fire had started inside their home in the middle of the night. [More Info](#)
- **IN: Carmel man awakened by smoke alarm, no one injured in blaze**
6.24.13 - Indianapolis Star - A Carmel man was awakened by a smoke alarm this morning before 4:30 a.m., went outside to investigate and found the roof of his house on fire, a Carmel Fire ... [More Info](#)
- **NC: Smoke alarm for hearing impaired helps Haw River family**
6.30.13 - Burlington Times News - Members of the Haw River Fire Department with 11-year-old Ivan Jimenez. The department installed a special smoke alarm for the hearing impaired for the boy, ...[More Info](#)
- **NJ: Carneys Point Fire Dept. and Rescue Squad respond to alarm ...**
6.26.13 - The Bridgeton News - NJ.com - Carneys Point Fire Dept. and Rescue Squad responded at 1:33 p.m. Tuesday for an alarm system call and remained in service for 15 ...[More Info](#)
- **ON: A squirrel to blame for a slew of outages and fire alarms?**
6.30.13 - globalnews.ca - KELOWNA – A busy few hours for fire crews in Kelowna Saturday. Firefighters dealt with upwards of 15 calls in just two hours between 11:15 am and 1:15 pm. [More Info](#)
- **PA: Cheltenham home saved by fire alarm**
6.25.13 - Montgomery Newspapers - A fire that broke out in the kitchen of a home June 23 turned out to be minor, thanks to a fire alarm, according to ... [More Info](#)

Crime News



- **BC: Police Dog Helps in Arrest Twice at Same Business**
6.24.13 - News Talk Sports AM 1150 - A Vernon business's new alarm and video system has resulted in three arrests in the past week. RCMP Spokesperson, Gord Molendyk says the owner of Vernon ... [More Info](#)
- **BC: Thieves hit new store**
6.29.13 - Coquitlam Now - The alarm company was also set to install an alarm on Wednesday. Soltani isn't the only business owner dealing with crime. According to Coquitlam Mounties, ... [More Info](#)
- **CA: Alarms Stopping Burglars Just in Time**
6.26.13 - KTXL - One break-in is a crime. Two in a row, perhaps a coincidence. But seven in a two mile stretch of Kettleman and Ham in Lodi? That's definitely a crime trend. [More Info](#)
- **CA: Burglars break into Fresh & Easy grocery store in Point Loma**
6.25.13 - 10News - 10News learned that the suspects, who wore masks, smashed a side-door window and set off an audible alarm. Witnesses called 911 and police responded to ... [More Info](#)
- **CA: Oakland residents shaken after brazen home burglary**
6.24.13 - abc7news.com - 2. Bay Alarm sign · Oakland residents shaken after brazen. ... Bay Alarm sign · Oakland residents shaken after brazen burglary.... [More Info](#)
- **CA: Thieves Using Alarm Company Name to Break Into Claremont Homes**
6.27.13 - Patch.com - According to multiple resident reports, the male is driving an unmarked white van, and claiming to be servicing ADT alarms, changing keypads at the request of ... [More Info](#)
- **CT: Burglary, theft under investigation**
6.30.13 - My Citizens News - At about 1 a.m. Troop I in Bethany received an alarm from Margot's Flowers state police said in a release. Troopers responded and found ... [More Info](#)
- **FL: \$55K in lawn equipment reported stolen**
6.24.13 - Ocala - The alarm system at the business had been disabled at about 9 p.m. Tire tracks and several shoe prints were found in the sand leading up to the front door, ... [More Info](#)
- **FL: Miami Beach Police Release Surveillance Video Related to Burglary ...**
6.25.13 - NBC 6 South Florida - Bosh told police there was surveillance video and an alarm at the home. The alarm was not activated because the babysitters were home. But police noticed that ... [More Info](#)
- **FL: Trio arrested in rash of Wesley Chapel business burglaries**
6.27.13 - Northwest News and Tribune - Goin' Postal owner Tom Geng said he found out about the burglary when his alarm company called him. Based on the alarm system's records, he said, the ... [More Info](#)
- **IL: Fatso's Works to Recover from Monday Night Burglary**
6.27.13 - Patch.com - Although the restaurant is equipped with an alarm system, Vitoulkas says the alarm didn't go off. He is uncertain whether the restaurant had power when it was ... [More Info](#)

- **IN: Police investigate robbery at adult novelty store**
6.29.13 - WSBT-TV - It all went down around 11 p.m. Wednesday when officers responded to a holdup alarm at the business. "These idiots walk into the store and the clerk asks, 'Can ... [More Info](#)
- **KS: Police respond to burglary of Ark City business**
6.29.13 - Winfield Daily Courier Online - The break-in was discovered after officers responded to an alarm at 11:57 p.m. Monday at the store. They found that one or more people had entered the ... [More Info](#)
- **KY: Burglar Alarm Finds Honesty Instead Of Burglary**
6.26.13 - WTVQ - Officers said the alarm company watched surveillance that showed a woman entering the store, shopping around for a few minutes, then bringing her items to ... [More Info](#)
- **LA: Sheriff: Alarm system catches man burglarizing Tickfaw home**
6.25.13 - WDSU New Orleans - Sheriff: Alarm system catches man burglarizing Tickfaw home ... Pelicans GM Dell Demps talks 2013 NBA Draft 5min; Sheriff: Alarm system catches man ... [More Info](#)
- **MA: Lincoln police log news**
6.25.13 - Wicked Local - 10:23 a.m. Police responded to a burglar alarm. Officer reports workers on scene, will contact alarm company. 12:15 p.m. Police ... [More Info](#)
- **ME: Kennebec Journal area police log, June 30, 2013**
6.30.13 - Kennebec Journal - 5:51 a.m., a burglar alarm sounded at American Legion Post 205. 8:05 a.m., there was a report of a recent burglary at Prince of Peace ... [More Info](#)
- **MI: 2 arrested; breaking into Boost Mobile**
6.27.13 - WOOD-TV - The Berrien County Sheriff's Department said the store's alarm went off, and when they arrived, they found the window smashed out. Officers then searched for a ... [More Info](#)
- **MI: Police find broken glass but no suspects in apparent Burton ...**
6.24.13 - The Grand Rapids Press - MLive.com - SW on Sunday, June 23, but did not find the person who triggered the school building's alarm. Police undertook the search after finding a broken window at the ... [More Info](#)
- **MI: Police Investigating Attempted Break-In at Local Business**
6.25.13 - Patch.com - ... were called to Sherwin-Williams June 16 at 5 a.m. after an alarm was set off. ... broke out one of the doors to the store with a hammer and set off the alarm. [More Info](#)
- **MI: Police release photos of suspect they say robbed Hampton ...**
6.27.13 - Bay City Times - Staff triggered an emergency alarm at 9:47 a.m., after the robber left the building. The suspect is described as a white male, standing 6 feet to 6 feet 2 inches tall, ... [More Info](#)
- **NC: Early morning break-in thwarted by alarm and teamwork**
6.25.13 - Roanoke Rapids Daily Herald - A residential burglar alarm and teamwork by police led to the capture of a man trying to enter a Zoo Road residence early this morning, authorities said. [More Info](#)
- **NH: Break-in, theft wipes out Amherst computer store**
6.26.13 - Nashua Telegraph - The store's alarm system includes the rear door, which, when opened without ... The alarm likely was activated when the suspect or suspects fled through that ... [More Info](#)
- **NM: Multiple arrests in 4 separate area burglaries**
6.29.13 - Clovis News Journal - ... 19, of Clovis, was arrested about 9 p.m. near Clovis Cycle and RV, after a short foot chase by officers responding to a burglar alarm. [More Info](#)
- **OH: Near Drowning Prompts Family To Buy A Pool Alarm**
6.25.13 - NBC4i.com - A Central Ohio family is using the near drowning of their toddler to improve the safety of the pool at their home. Last year, Jenny Ratliff's young son, Carson, ... [More Info](#)
- **OK: Home Security Camera Catches Possible Burglary Suspect In SW ...**
6.27.13 - news9.com KWTW -He told officers his burglary alarm sounded around 3:30 p.m., but he assumed his wife had accidentally set it off so he told the alarm company not to send police. [More Info](#)
- **OR: Burglar escapes after break-in at Macy's - KPTV - FOX 12**
6.24.13 - KPTV.com - They responded to an alarm at 4:10 a.m. and discovered evidence that a burglar had accessed the store through a door. A security guard spotted someone ... [More Info](#)
- **PA: Cops: Norristown police investigating robbery at Getty gas station**
6.24.13 - The Times Herald - Norristown - Police responded to a silent alarm after two men robbed the Getty gas station on June 23. The employee ... [More Info](#)
- **PA: Security system sends burglars fleeing in Lackawanna County**
6.24.13 - Pocono Record - ... second door in order to get into the house. When they entered the house, they set off the ADT alarm system and left the house without taking anything of value. [More Info](#)
- **SC: BCSO Arrests Suspect In Pharmacy Burglaries**
6.26.13 - WSAV-TV - At 5:45 am Sheriff's deputies had responded to Burke's in reference to an activated alarm. Upon arrival, a front window was found shattered. More than \$3,500 in ... [More Info](#)
- **SC: Home alarm leads to drug bust**
6.26.13 - GwdToday - The Greenwood County Sheriff's Office responded to an alarm at a home in Saddle Hill that ended with an arrest on an active arrest warrant for drug distribution. [More Info](#)
- **SC: Man arrested in string of pharmacy burglaries**
6.25.13 - Thecoastalsource - At 5:45 am Sheriff's deputies had responded to Burke's in reference to an activated alarm. Upon arrival, a front window was found shattered. More than \$3,500 in ... [More Info](#)

- **TN: Memphis police identify officers involved in latest shooting**
6.24.13 - Memphis Commercial Appeal - The officers responded to an alarm call there and heard a noise coming from the rear of the house, police said. When they went to investigate, the officers found ... [More Info](#)
- **TX: Out-of-shape thieves foiled by police during breastaaurant burglary**
6.27.13 - CultureMap Houston - Responding to a security alarm just before 3 a.m., law enforcement arrived at the restaurant's Kirby location to find two plasma screen televisions sitting by a side ... [More Info](#)
- **TX: Surveillance Video Shows Burglars in Action at Lubbock Liquor Store**
6.29.13 - EverythingLubbock.com - For added protection Hill is now using a chain to lock the door and is installing a new alarm system. This burglary is just one of three thefts in Lubbock in less ... [More Info](#)
- **TX: VIDEO: Suspect apprehended after police respond to hold-up alarm ...**
6.26.13 - KLTV - On Wednesday June 26, 2013 at 11:00 AM officers responded to a hold-up alarm at the Pilgrim Bank. While responding to the ... [More Info](#)
- **WA: Burglars steal kitchen sink — and nothing but the kitchen sink — out ...**
6.25.13 - Bonney Lake and Sumner Courier-Herald - Alarm: At 10:21 a.m. June 12, officers were dispatched to an alarm from a residence. They found no sign of forced entry, and went around ... [More Info](#)
- **WI: Deputies search for burglar, information after Corner Store break in**
6.27.13 - WEAU - Eau Claire County Deputy Sheriff Jeff Wilson said the burglar damaged doors, a safe, the ATM and the alarm system. He said investigators were checking on ... [More Info](#)
- **WV: Man accused of attempting to disarm police officer after Family ...**
6.26.13 - Martinsburg Journal - Martinsburg - A man who tripped a burglar alarm inside a closed Family Dollar store in Martinsburg Monday night was arrested following a foot pursuit and ... [More Info](#)

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