

VILLAGE OF BRONXVILLE EMERGENCY ANNOUNCEMENTS PAGE



**FRIDAY, JULY 30, 2010
9:00 AM**

A COYOTE WAS OBSERVED ON PARADISE ROAD NEAR SUNSET AVENUE AND ON PRESCOTT AVENUE. WE ARE ISSUING THE BELOW SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR ALL RESIDENTS.

PLEASE CONTACT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AT 914-337-0500 IF YOU SEE A COYOTE IN THE VILLAGE.

- DO NOT LEAVE SMALL CHILDREN UNATTENDED OUTDOORS FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME.
- FENCE PET AND ANIMAL ENCLOSURES COMPLETELY, IF POSSIBLE INCLUDE A TOP.
- KEEP CATS AND SMALL DOGS INDOORS. WHEN WALKING SMALL DOGS, ALWAYS KEEP THEM ON A LEASH.
- COYOTES ARE MOST ACTIVE DUSK TO DAWN. AVOID WALKING PETS AFTER DARK.
- BRING ALONG PEPPER SPRAY OR A STICK IN CASE A COYOTE GETS AGGRESSIVE. IF YOU SEE A COYOTE, WAVE YOUR ARMS, SHOUT, SPRAY IT WITH A HOSE. BE A THREAT! (SCREAMING OR YELLING AND WAVING ARMS SOMETIMES WON'T WORK ON COYOTES THAT HAVE LOST THEIR FEAR OF HUMANS.)
- ANY PET SMALLER THAN 45 POUNDS SHOULD NEVER BE LEFT OUTSIDE PAST 4 P.M.
- FEED PETS INDOORS. ELIMINATE POTENTIAL FOOD AND WATER SOURCES SUCH AS FALLEN FRUIT OR VEGETABLES AND STANDING WATER.
- STORE TRASH IN COVERED, HEAVY-DUTY CONTAINERS.
- KEEP YARDS FREE OF POTENTIAL HIDING PLACES. REMOVE THICK BRUSH AND WEEDS. ENCLOSE THE BOTTOMS OF PORCHES AND DECKS.
- IF YOU ENCOUNTER A COYOTE THAT BEHAVES AGGRESSIVELY, YOU HAVE PROBABLY GOTTEN TOO CLOSE TO ITS PREY OR ITS FAMILY. THROW ROCKS, STICKS OR OTHER OBJECTS. DO NOT TURN AWAY AND RUN.
- DO NOT FEED COYOTES. DOING SO CAN MAKE THEM LESS AFRAID OF HUMANS AND POTENTIALLY MORE DANGEROUS.

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