

**CRIME PREVENTION  
TIP OF THE MONTH**

**FEBRUARY**

**HOUSE KEYS**

Give a duplicate house key to a trusted friend or neighbor in case you are ever locked out. You may also give a duplicate key to the Merchantville Police Department. **DO NOT** hide keys in mailboxes, planters, under door mats, or in other places on the exterior of your residence.

**DO NOT** put any personal identification on key rings.

Be able to separate your car key from all of your other keys. You can purchase a detachable ring for this purpose. Leave only your car ignition key with the car when it has to be valet- parked, serviced, or repaired. You may also give a duplicate car key to the Merchantville Police Department.

If you lose the keys to your home, change the locks **IMMEDIATELY**.