



Police Crime Alert

Community Services Section

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Crime Alert for period ending August 10, 2007

Altercations/Disorderly Conduct:

Assaults:

Assist Other Department/Law Enforcement:

Woods behind Leonard Elementary School, 4401 Tallman, 8/3, 1005 hrs.

Officers responded with Troy Fire Dept. on a report that a makeshift tree house constructed in a tree in the woods behind the school was on fire. It was extinguished. Initial investigation indicates it may have been deliberately set. Complainant stated when he noticed the smoke; he also noticed two 13-14 year-old males and a 12-year-old female leaving the school parking lot on bikes. It is not known if those subjects were involved in the fire.

Auto/Vehicle Thefts:

Sears, 300 W. 14 Mile, 8/4, 1558-1610 hrs.

'03 Dodge Caravan dropped off for service by owner. Several minutes later an employee observed the vehicle being driven off by an unknown B/M, approximately 30-years-old, 5'-9," 160, corn rolls.

Breaking and Entries:

Baker Middle School, 1291 Torpey, 8/1-8/2, 1515-0710 hrs.

Events & Programs

Please click or go to the below link for community events for the coming August 10th – 17th Week!

<http://www.ci.troy.mi.us/calendar/>

Chase the Traffic Blues Away and Stay in Troy for "Jazz on the Corridor"

(TROY, MI) - The Columbia Center at 101 W. Big Beaver will be the backdrop for some fabulous music on select Thursdays this summer. Stay after work, grab a bite to eat and listen to music from 6-8 pm. Bring lawn chairs or blankets and relax with friends as cool jazz, R&B, swing, and classic sounds fill the air. Food will be available from Gateway Deli. The musical lineup is:

School entered by unknown means and four 37" LCD TV's, two desk top computers, five video projectors, three 32" LCD TV's, one 26" LCD TV, twelve computer signal amplifiers, a computer server, and assorted electronics tools in a pouch were stolen from the Technology Room.

Complainant stated he checked the exterior doors of the school when he left and all were secured on 8/1. There were no signs of forced entry. A review of school door records indicated the Media Room exterior door was opened and closed at 2245 hrs. and then opened again at 2345 hrs. and closed at 0200 hrs. School video cameras picked up two subjects inside the school near the south main entrance around 2208 hrs. They were also recorded in various parts of the school, including the Media Room. Suspects: W/M, approximately 20 years, brown hair, medium build, light blue shirt. Suspect #2 is described similarly except he was wearing a dark shirt. There was no sensitive data stored on the computers that were stolen.

Great American Mortgage, 888 W. Big Beaver, 8/3, 1730-2100 hrs.

Entry gained into locked office suite possibly through the ceiling, as a Security Officer discovered a ceiling tile pulled down inside the suite. Manager responded and advised nothing appeared missing. He advised several individuals' employment with the company was ended last week. He changed the locks and relocated the computers/files. Suspect possibly ex-employee seeking computer files.

Bangkok Café, 5377 Crooks, 8/4-8/5, 2200-1900 hrs.

Rear door pried to gain entry, cash stolen from cash register and a charity bin.

Crash Investigations:

Credit, Check, Identity Theft, and other Fraud:

Complainant discovered one of her checks was used to make a fraudulent purchase for \$159.95.

Complainant received notice from a collection agency regarding an unpaid cell phone bill in the amount of \$219.95 opened in her name and billed to a location in Detroit with which she is not familiar. Complainant stated she never opened the account.

TCF Bank, 2138 E. Big Beaver, 8/3, 0800 hrs.

Complainant stated he performed a drive-up ATM transaction and inadvertently left his card. He discovered the discrepancy before leaving the lot and returned to find a female at the ATM. He stated he asked her if she found his card and she replied no, grabbed a card out of the ATM and quickly drove away. When he reported the incident with the bank, he was advised a \$200.00 withdrawal was made using his card at the ATM which was time stamped one minute after he completed his transaction. The plate on the car the female was driving registers to a 46-year-old female from Madison Heights who matches the description of the subject he spoke to at the scene.

Complainant reported being contacted by his credit card company regarding a change in billing address on his account to Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He had not authorized the change. When he

August 16: One Beat Back Orchestra

This premier Detroit Big Band formed in 1991 as a high-energy band playing for the love of "Swing Music." With vocals, brass, reeds and a swinging rhythm section they play favorite classics like Frank Sinatra, Count Basie, Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey and Benny Goodman.

For more information, please call the Community Affairs Department at 248.524.1147.



The *Troy Community Coalition* is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for all who live or work in Troy, by promoting a lifestyle free from the abuse of alcohol and drugs.

Please feel free to contact any **staff member** for additional information or contact our office at (248) 823-5088

Troy Community Coalition 4420 Livernois Rd. Troy, MI 48098

We urge you to join us for one

checked his other accounts, he found similar changes had been made. No reported losses as of yet.

Domestics/Family Troubles:

Troy Officers responded to two incidents involving family trouble/domestic disputes where investigations revealed no assaults or other crimes occurred, therefore no formal enforcement action was taken.

Drugs/Narcotics:

7-11 Lot, 2891 Crooks, 8/4, 2020 hrs.

Officers observed a blue Pontiac Grand AM pull up and park adjacent to the store. Two males exited the car and entered the store, while a female remained inside the car. The males exited separately. One appeared to have something in his waistband. Officers approached to investigate and discovered 9 grams of marijuana in the trunk. One of the males, an 18-year-old, stated he "put the marijuana in the car the day before after taking it from his girlfriend." He was cited and released at the scene for "Possession of Marijuana." The 21-year-old male from Royal Oak provided a receipt for an alcohol purchase. The female was identified as 18-years-old. The 21-year-old was advised not to provide the alcohol to his associates and released.

Big Beaver and Rochester, 8/4, 0133 hrs.

Officers stopped a black Buick in response to cell phone callers reporting it was driving

erratically. The 21-year-old female driver/lone occupant from Troy was arrested for "Drunk Driving." She blew .10 on a breath test. After her arrest, a small packet of heroin was located inside her purse, which she claimed was "not hers/she was holding onto for a friend." An empty Rx bottle of Oxycontin was also found in her purse in the name of a male whom she claimed was "another friend." It had been issued on 7/11/07 and originally contained 120 pills.

Drunk/Intoxicated Driving Incidents of Interest:

Embezzlements:

Taco Bell, 3268 Rochester, 8/4-8/5, 2000-0345 hrs.

Manager reported the 24-year-old male from Troy assigned to the drive through window advised he "had to use the restroom." When he didn't come back to his station, they checked for him and found he was gone. When the manager checked his cash drawer, she discovered approximately \$900.00 missing. Investigation continues.

Mobil Gas Station, 1881 E. 14 Mile, 6/1-7/31

Manager reported discovering approximately \$600.00 in fraudulent refunds and \$4530.00 in voided/stolen lottery tickets that he suspects a former 19-year-old male clerk from Troy as being responsible

of our many exciting upcoming [community events.](#)

"It's Fore the Kids" Boys & Girls Club Golf Outing

The Boys & Girls Club of Troy host their 31st Annual Golf Outing on August 31st Annual Golf Outing on August 20 at the Oakhurst Country Club in Clarkston.

The outing includes time on the driving range, 18 holes of golf, lunch, cocktail reception, dinner, silent auction, and awards banquet. Tickets to just the dinner are also available. Call 248.689.1687 to register and help the Boys & Girls Club.



The *Troy Police Department* offers the following free talks/seminars:

- * Work place safety
- * Alcohol abuse and prevention
- * Safety with Strangers
- * Home Security Audit
- * Personal Security
- * Got Caught (Shoplifting talk for teens)
- * Choose Wisely (Right

for. Apparently the suspect worked with an older female who approved all the transactions in her capacity as shift manager at the time. When the manager confronted him, the male admitted stealing from the business and the female claimed no knowledge of the fraudulent transactions.

Residence Inn, 2600 Livernois, 6/22

Manager reported being contacted by a customer who indicated when he checked in he provided a traveler's check, as well as a credit card as security. When he checked out, he provided additional traveler's checks to pay the \$600.00 bill and directed the credit card not be charged. He later discovered his credit account was in fact charged, and contacted the manager to complain. The manager investigated and discovered the checks were cashed under the name/signature of the clerk who processed the checkout. When confronted by management, the 25-year-old female clerk from Detroit denied knowledge/involvement. Shortly thereafter she quit.

Home Invasions:

Larcenies:

East Lake Restaurant, 5087 Rochester, 7/26-8/2

Aluminum exhaust fan valued at \$1871.77 stolen from roof of restaurant. It was installed on 7/23 and cleaned on 7/26 by different contractors. The hole in the roof where the fan had been was covered with foam insulation weighted down with an old electrical box. Restaurant was closed during this period for remodeling.

Pier One Imports, 388 John R, 8/5, 1210 hrs.

Complainant reported noticing a B/M, approximately 20-years-old, 5'-9," 180, wearing a dark shirt, jeans and dark baseball hat loitering around the office. He quickly fled the store. When she checked, she discovered her purse missing from the office.

Larcenies from Autos:

Camp Ticonderoga, 5501 Rochester, 8/2, 1630-2040 hrs.

'07 Ford F-150 pickup parked in lot had passenger's side window smashed out and briefcase stolen.

Congress, 7/26-7/30, 2300-0900 hrs.

'07 Chrysler Jeep parked in street with windows partially down had wallet stolen from front dashboard. Credit card from wallet was used to make fraudulent purchases in another jurisdiction.

Shagbark, 8/4, 0030-0900 hrs.

'00 Ford Focus parked in drive had right rear vent window smashed out and a purse removed from inside. Complaint stated there was nothing inside the purse and it was discarded by the suspects on the rear deck lid of the car. A locked '97 Chevy Cavalier parked in the street in front of the same residence was entered via a partially open window, rifled, and a small amount of change stolen.

choices for teens)

- * Home alone (home personal safety for teens and children)
- * Drug and drug paraphernalia talk for adults and also teens
- * Identity Theft
- * Internet Safety for adults and also teens
- * Harassing and Bullying Prevention for children
- * Retail Fraud Prevention
- * In addition, if you or your organization has a program/discussion idea or need that a police officer can deliver please call!

For more information or to schedule an officer to present a program please call: (248) 524-3464 or e-mail the crime alert at:

TroyPDCrimeAlert@troymi.gov



Self Defense Class for Women
Monday, August 13, 5:30-7 p.m.
Troy Sports Center, 1819 E. Big Beaver

Malicious Destruction of Property:

Evangel Baptist Church, 2900 Lovington, 7/29-8/1, 2300-0600 hrs.
Church marquee spray-painted.

Century, 8/3-8/4, 2130-1130 hrs.
'02 Chrysler Seabring had front windshield smashed.

Shopping Plaza, N/W corner of Crooks and South Boulevard, 8/3
Complainant reported the rear brick wall has be repeatedly spray painted with graffiti.

Minors and Alcohol:

Stratford, 8/3, 0107 Hrs.

Officer stopped to investigate a parked occupied vehicle that was not running. When he approached he made contact with an 18-year-old male from Warren and a 19-year-old female from Troy. Both had been drinking. 10 full beers and an open bottle of Vodka were recovered from inside the car, as was a marijuana pipe. The pipe belonged to the male, for which he was cited and released. (Possession of Marijuana Paraphernalia.) The alcohol belonged to the female, for which she was cited and released.

Officers responded to a report of a fight in progress in an apartment complex parking lot that turned out to be a verbal argument between a 20-year-old male from Troy and his 20-year-old girlfriend from Howell. Both had been drinking. The male blew 0.17 on a PBT (Preliminary Breath Test); the female blew 0.15. Both were cited for MIP (Minor in Possession) and released.

Berwyck and Winchester, 8/4, 0440 hrs.

Officers located an occupied white '95 Mercury parked, not running on a residential street. The 18-year-old male from Rochester stated he "had been at a party in the area and was trying to locate a friend." He blew 0.13 on a PBT, was cited for MIP, and released.

Neighbor Troubles:Peace Officer/Civil:Phone Calls/Harassment/Threats:

Three threats reports taken.

Retail Fraud:

(west of John R)

\$15 per person/\$25 for two registering together

RSVP to 248-641-8151 or

theteam@troychamber.com.

Be prepared—class starts promptly at 5:30 p.m. Bring your daughter (over 16, please) or a girlfriend and attend this informational, hands-on presentation. Just in time for heading back to college, this is a great class for students! The class will be instructed by John Parks of Anshinkan Aikido Dojo. John will teach simple, yet effective techniques.

Dress comfortably.



Whether you need

a rose,

a hose,

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or someone to clean your carpets, the Troy Chamber of Commerce probably has a member to help you! Visit the Business Directory anytime at: www.troychamber.com

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Macy's, 500 W. 14 Mile, 8/5, 1107 hrs.

LPO's (Loss Prevention Officer) reported observing two suspects enter the shoe department carrying plastic shopping bags. When they left the department, both bags were noticeably full. No purchases had been made and both left the store. When LPO's tried to detain/investigate suspect #1 who exited first, he dropped the bag and ran out of the mall. When they approached the second suspect as he exited and tried to detain him, he resisted, broke free and ran out of the mall, leaving his jacket behind which the LPO had been holding in the attempt to prevent his escape. He was last seen entering a green '98 Chevy Malibu being driven by the first suspect. It was last seen fleeing the lot onto John R, and then west on 14 Mile. LPO's recovered two pair of Timberland Men's boots valued at \$145.00 each from the first suspect's bag. The second suspect's bag was also recovered with two right-footed Timberland boots inside valued at \$65.00 each. The plate on the vehicle registers to a 19-year-old male from Detroit. Suspect #1: B/M, approximately 19, 5'-11," 140, wearing long baggy jean shorts, black jacket, black baseball hat with two flags white letters and a white brim, red shirt under the jacket, white socks and dark colored shoes. Suspect #2: B/M, approximately 20, 5'-9," 160, wearing long baggy jean shorts, no shirt, boxers under the shorts, dark shoes.

Robberies:

Suspicious Incidents:

Rochester and Rochester Court, 8/2, 2323 hrs.

Officer stopped a red Honda Civic driven by a 56-year-old male for a traffic violation. When the officer walked up, she noted the driver had his short pants pulled down. He was wearing gray boxers under his shorts, which were partially undone. When asked about his clothing arrangement, he claimed he "was hot." He first indicated he "was coming from Meijer's." He later indicated he "was coming from Borders," but claimed he "just stayed in the lot, as he realized he didn't have his driver's license." He stated he "was staying with a friend in a nearby apartment complex, however he didn't know the address of the friend." He did not have a driver's license and had a warrant from another jurisdiction, for which he was arrested. A wallet was located inside the car with a social security card in another male's name. The subject claimed he "found it at Border's and intended to go back and return it." Another wallet was found in the back seat with \$600.00 in it, which he claimed, "was all the money he had left." He later claimed he "got it from collecting bottles." A BB gun was located in a paper bag in the trunk that had the orange tip taped over with black electrical tape. Other area departments alerted regarding contact with the suspect in this incident for possible contacts with him. Subject is a W/M, 6'-0," 175, gray balding hair, blue eyes.

W. Wattles, 8/4, 0440 hrs.

Complaint reported an unknown subject yelling/screaming and pounding on the front door of his residence. Officers arrived and located a 20-year-old male from Troy wearing a red shirt, boxer shorts and no shoes pounding on the garage doors. He was highly intoxicated and yelling, "there are people dying in the house." He initially identified himself as "John Doe." He provided no explanation as to what he was doing at the address. His clothes and wallet were found on the back

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porch. The garage door sustained a small amount of damage. Subject was arrested.

Mobil Gas Station, 25 E. 14 Mile, 8/3, 2009 hrs.

Complainant discovered a 4-inch pipe with caps on both ends on top of one of the trashcans in the lot. It resembled a pipe bomb and MSP Bomb Squad was summoned. They were able to open it and discovered a ripped up plastic bag, rolling paper, and a marijuana roach inside. Investigation revealed that at approximately 1929 hrs. a burgundy Intrepid pulled up which was occupied by three subjects. The front seat passenger, a W/M, 30-35 years old, crew cut, wearing brown clothing, exited the vehicle with an unknown object in his hand. He threw the object in the garbage can where the "pipe" was found as he walked towards the gas station.

Traffic Altercations:

Vandalism:

Weapons Offenses:

Welfare Checks:

Officers responded to a possible heroin overdose at a residence and located a 51-year-old male unresponsive. There was a spoon, needle, and packet of heroin next to him. He eventually became responsive, was transported to the hospital, treated and later released. He was then arrested for an outstanding warrant from Troy. Additional charge for "Possession of Heroin" pending.

Troy Officers responded to one incident involving an individual experiencing emotional/psychological difficulties and assisted with transport to the hospital for evaluation/commitment.

Special Events Information:

Miscellaneous Information:

Avalon and Cedar Crest, 8/4, 2314 hrs.

Officers responded to a report that a resident had observed a black '92 Chevy Blazer with several subjects inside driving slowly along the street without lights. The complainant observed one of the occupants exit the vehicle, approach his mailbox and reach inside. He confronted the subject, who ran. While trying to catch him, he slipped in the street, at which point the Blazer drove directly at him. He got up and caught the male in a backyard. When officers arrived, the complainant was still trying to hold onto the 17-year-old male from Troy. Initially the subject physically and verbally resisted officers' attempts to detain him. He eventually advised officers "he and his friends thought it would be "neat" to put a firework inside a mailbox and blow it up." A firework was recovered from inside his pocket. He was arrested. Two other subjects who had been with him were located on foot in a nearby park. They may be charged with being in the park after hours.

Alcohol / Drugs

Be responsible, if you drink, **DO NOT DRIVE!**

If you serve alcohol, make sure that your guests make it home safely.
Don't serve alcohol to underaged children

We all must share the roads, don't risk the lives of others or yourself. It is not a good idea to mix Alcohol with other activities like boating or swimming. If you drink, do it in moderation and don't drive or put yourself and other at risk.

- DO NOT use illegal drugs
- DO NOT drive and endanger the lives of everyone if you have consumed alcohol or drugs.
- If you are under 21 years of age, IT IS ILLEGAL to consume or possess alcohol.

If you have any information on illegal drug activity call our tip line at 248-524-0777.

Retail Fraud

All store personnel should be trained on the store policy that deals with retail fraud (shoplifting) and how the company wants them to respond.

Store personnel should have the phone numbers to call readily available if they suspect retail fraud or any other crime. A lone employee should not try to

Case Updates:

Arrest Summary:

In addition to those outlined above, the following arrests were also made during the period:

Domestic Assault: 1

Drunk Driving: 10

Driving Under the Influence of Rx Medications: 1

Retail Fraud: 4

Drove While License Suspended: 5

Warrants: 5

apprehend retail fraud suspects themselves. Call your Mall Security or the Troy Police Dispatch Center at 248-524-3477 for in-progress crimes or assistance apprehending fleeing criminal suspects.

Surveillance video has shown that cameras that are obvious to criminals are a good deterrent to crime. Criminals can be seen trying to hide from the camera, or dropping the merchandise they tried to steal when they spotted the camera.

The Troy Police offers training to store personnel on theft prevention and detection, fraud, and other retail-related crimes. Contact the Retail Liaison at 248-524-3464 for more information.

Suspicious Incidents / people

If it appears that someone is up to no-good, they probably are. Call the Police immediately. We are trained to investigate suspicious circumstances and determine if criminal activity is afoot.

The best security system that you can have is a "Nosy Neighbor." Encourage your neighbors to be "Nosy," especially if there is strange activity around your property. Return the favor by keeping a watchful eye on their property and reporting it immediately. This is the basis for the Neighborhood Watch program.

If someone or something seems “suspicious” to you or makes you feel uncomfortable, there is probably good reason for it. Don’t get into the habit of second-guessing your intuition and instinct.

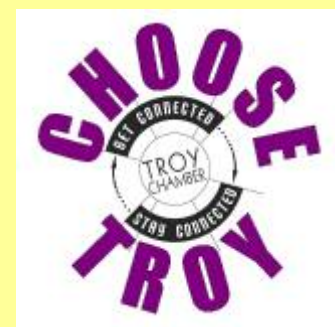
Sexual predators are usually progressive, starting out with public exposure and leading to more risky and dangerous behaviors. You can check the state of Michigan registered sex offenders list at www.mipsor.state.mi.us for offenders that live in your area.



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