



Police Crime Alert

Community Services Section

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Crime Alert for Period ending March 9, 2007

Altercations/Disorderly Conduct:

Assaults:

Dorre, 3/3, 0000-0400 hrs.

Complainant came to the station to report that while riding in a car with a 24-year-old male from Warren, a 20-year-old male from Ferndale and a 21-year-old female from Ferndale; the 24-year-old struck the female, to which complainant took offense and in retaliation struck the 24-year-old. When they arrived at a residence on Dorre and he exited the car the two males assaulted him. He stated he passed out and later woke up in the street. Apparently a neighbor assisted him into the residence. He took himself to the hospital in the morning for treatment of his injuries.

Skateworld, 2825 E. Maple, 3/2, 2235 hrs.

Officers responded to a report of a fight in progress. Upon arrival a security officer pointed out a large group of older teens who arrived as Skateworld was closing and reportedly began to harass and intimidate a small group of 12 to 13-year-old males who were standing out in front of the building. A 17-year-old male from Sterling Heights was identified as an instigator among the larger group. When interviewed by officers he claimed he was jumped and punched by a male subject for no reason. He stated the suspect had already departed in a Dodge Durango driven by a female. A responding officer located and stopped the Durango in the vicinity. The 17-year-old male passenger from Sterling Heights explained he was trying to defend the younger kids from the older

Events & Programs

Please click or go to the below link for community events for the coming March 9th – March 16th Week!

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



The Troy Community Coalition is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for all who live or work in

teens. It appears his 15-year-old brother was among the group of younger kids. He claimed when he defended the younger group the aggression of the larger group turned towards him. He stated he was outnumbered and believed he needed to defend himself so struck the 1- year-old in the face and fled to his mother's waiting car. Officers reported receiving conflicting stories from both groups as to what occurred however other witnesses indicated there was talk the older group showed up to confront the younger group and that the older brother or brothers of the younger kids showed up to defend their siblings from the older group. All advised on procedures should they wish to prosecute and released at the scene.

Athens High School, 4333 John R, 3/7, 0725 hrs.

A 16-year-old female from Troy came to the station with her mother to report words were exchanged between her and a 17-year-old female from Troy that morning on the bus, during which the 17-year-old threatened to beat her up when they got to school. She stated that while sitting in the cafeteria with her friends the suspect approached her table with two of her friends and proceeded to punch her in the face three times. No apparent injuries.

Assist Other Department/Law Enforcement:

Auto/Vehicle Thefts:

Business Lot, 570 Executive, 3/2-3/4, 1500-0504 hrs.

A '05 Ford F-150 pickup was stolen from lot.

Oakland Mall Lot, 412 W. 14 Mile, 3-4, 1230-1300 hrs.

A '01 Dodge Caravan was reported stolen from lot.

Oakland Mall Lot, 412 W. 14 Mile, 3/3, 1600-2040 hrs.

A '05 Dodge Ram pickup was entered and steering column/ignition switch damaged.

Oakland Mall Lot, 412 W. 14 Mile, 3/7, 1400-1545 hrs.

A '00 Dodge Stratus parked on south side of Macy's was stolen. Investigating officers recovered a '99 Dodge Stratus stolen out of Auburn Hills on 3/6 parked directly next to where stolen vehicle had been that was reported stolen. The plate affixed to it was reported stolen from a '94 Dodge Intrepid in Detroit on 3/5.

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

The Selling of Addiction

“How marketing alcohol and tobacco creates new addicts”

When: Thursday, March 22, 2007 - 7-9 p.m.

FREE to first 40 people who register by calling:
248-823-5088

\$5.00 at the door

Where: Troy Community

Breaking and Entries:**Crash Investigations:**

- Chopin, 3/3, 0400 hrs.

Complainant attempted to report his '93 Mercury Cougar stolen from his drive. When officers made a computer query on the plate they discovered it had been impounded earlier at the scene of a hit and run crash in Troy. The Cougar had crashed into a parked car and the driver was reportedly observed by witnesses fleeing on foot from the scene. The complainant matched the description of the fleeing driver. When challenged with that information the 28-year-old complainant from Troy admitted driving, crashing it into a parked car and then leaving the scene. He was issued a citation for "Failing to Stop and Identify Self at the Scene of a Crash" and released at the scene.

Credit, Check, Identity Theft, and other Fraud:

- Complainant received notice via mail that her bank account was overdrawn. Upon investigating she discovered seven counterfeit checks generated and cashed using her account number but listed to a name and address of a female in Detroit. Total fraud: \$672.78.

Two separate reports taken regarding complainants receiving automated phone calls from someone claiming to be a representative from a bank requesting they contact the bank. One of the complainants has a loan from the bank but no other accounts. When she dialed the number an automated system requested her credit card account information. Neither complainant provided the requested information.

- Complainant received a call from his credit card company that someone had made suspicious purchases on his credit card. He advised the credit card company representative that he had not made the purchases. He discovered additional information that the items being purchased were being shipped to an address in Detroit with which he is not familiar.

- Somerset North, 2800 W. Big Beaver, 3-4, 1430-1800 hrs.

Complainant reported losing his credit card at the mall. When he reported it to his bank he discovered the card was used to make fraudulent purchases at an unknown location.

Domestics/Family Troubles:

Troy Officers responded to four incidents involving family troubles/domestic disputes

Center 3179 Livernois

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where investigations revealed no assaults or other crimes occurred, therefore no formal enforcement action taken/required.

Drugs/Narcotics:

- N/B I-75 N/O Big Beaver, 3/3, 0330 hrs.

While impounding a '01 Ford Ranger from a crash scene, officer located 4 grams of marijuana and a marijuana pipe in the center console. The 21-year-old male from Oak Park that had been driving was arrested and charged with "Possession of Marijuana."

Big Beaver and John R, 3/2, 0946 hrs.

Complainant reported observing the driver of a green Mitsubishi Mirage "smoking marijuana/ganja/a fatty." When officer located and stopped it, he could smell the odor of burning marijuana coming from inside the car. The 22-year-old male driver from Troy admitted smoking just prior to being stopped. He pointed to a tin box on the front passenger seat that he stated contained a marijuana pipe. When the officer opened it he located the pipe, which was still smoking. Two small baggies of marijuana were recovered from a canvas bag that was inside the car. Subject was arrested and charged with "Driving under the Influence of Marijuana" and "Possession of Marijuana." A blood test was obtained with toxicology results pending.

John R and Big Beaver, 3/2, 2206 hrs.

Complainant flagged down an officer on patrol and reported observing the occupants of a green Jeep rolling a marijuana blunt/fatty while parked in a nearby parking lot. Officer located and approached the vehicle. While so doing he could smell the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. The 22-year-old male driver from Troy turned over a small baggie of marijuana from his pants pocket. He was cited and released at the scene for "Possession of Marijuana." His 22-year-old passenger from Troy was released with no enforcement action taken against him due to no violations.

Drunk/Intoxicated Driving Incidents of Interest:

- 6000 Block of Rochester, 3-4, 0240 hrs.

Complainant reported a Ford Taurus was stuck up to its front axle in his front lawn with the driving revving the engine and spinning the wheels in the mud trying to get it un-stuck. Responding officers located a 20-year-old male from Royal Oak on foot at the house next door. When asked, he denied being the driver however a witness identified him. At that point he explained he was "attending a party at the house next door when someone wanted to leave." His car was apparently blocking that car in the drive so he drove onto



TROY PEOPLE CONCERNED
Help from the Heart

Troy Rotary Raffle is helping
Troy People Concerned!

Our big fundraiser is being held on April 22, 2007 at LaSalle Bank, 2600 W. Big Beaver from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and we are having a raffle along with dinner to raise much-needed funds. To obtain raffle tickets go to:

www.troyrotaryraffle.org

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

- * Alcohol abuse and prevention
- * Safety with Strangers

the front lawn of complainant's house to let that car out and got stuck. He failed sobriety tests and was arrested. He blew .08 on breath test.

S/B I-75 S/O Adams, 3/6, 0013 hrs.

Cell caller reported observing a silver Bonneville traveling at extreme speeds and swerving all over the freeway. The vehicle reportedly had no plate. The caller was unable to keep the Bonneville in sight. Responding officers located the vehicle near Rochester Road. It was traveling at speeds around 110 mph. It was observed swerving around slower traffic. Officers were able to get into position to stop it S/O 12 Mile and activated their emergency equipment at which point the driver abruptly cut over to the right shoulder and stopped almost striking an ambulance that was traveling in the right lane. The 25-year-old male driver from Flint smelled of alcohol. There was an open and almost half empty pint of Cognac under the front passenger seat with the cap off. There was also spilled liquor on the front passenger seat floor area. The driver claimed he had had "nothing to drink in two hours" and had "drank only two beers." He failed sobriety tests and was arrested. He blew .18 on a breath test. A license plate was found inside the vehicle with the driver claiming he "just purchased the car and hadn't put it on the car yet." His license was also found to be suspended for which he was also charged.

Embezzlements:

Delphi, 1441 W. Long Lake, 6/13/06-9/28/06

Company representative came to the station to initiate an investigation against a 35-year-old female from Rochester Hills who is a former contract employee that made several laptop computer purchases, had them charged to the company but had them shipped to her attention at various addresses other than the company's. Investigation continues.

Home Invasions:

Home Invasion, 2000 block of Rochester, 3/3, 0608 hrs.

Complainant reported being awakened when her bedroom door opened. She looked toward the door and observed an unknown male subject crawling across the floor of the bedroom on his hands and knees. Both she and her boyfriend challenged him and he walked out. They heard a car start and drive off from a nearby parking lot. A window was found open on the residence and the screen had been cut. Nothing stolen/missing. Suspect description: B/M, approximately 20 years, 6'-3," 185, wearing a dark colored wool pea coat, acid washed jeans, and a dark skull watch cap.

Larcenies:

- * Home Security
- * Personal Security
- * Got Caught (Shoplifting talk for teens)
- * Choose Wisely (Right 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@ci.troy.mi.us

St. Lucy's Croatian Catholic Church, 200 W. Wattles, 3/3-3/4, 1830-0050 hrs.
Complainant stated while attending a function she hung her black mink coat up in the self-serve coatroom. When she returned it was missing.

Store, 740 John R, 3-4, 1400-1600 hrs.
Three employees left coats and purses in the employee break area. When they went to retrieve their belongings they discovered some money and two cell phones stolen.

DHL Express, 1170 Souter, 3/2, 1322 hrs.
Package shipped from complainant's business containing a diamond ring found tampered with and the ring missing upon delivery/receipt at its final destination in Madison Heights.

Dalesford, 3/3-3/4, 1630-1100 hrs.
Portable generator stolen from house under construction.

Rock Financial/Quicken Loans, 800 Tower, 2/28-3/1
Five electronic store gift cards valued at \$20.00 each stolen from a desk drawer. They were reportedly used to pay for a portion of a \$278.74 purchase at a store in Roseville and the balance was apparently paid with a stolen credit card.

Somerset Drive, 2/10-2/17
Complainant reported he applied for a new driver's license and never received it. When he contacted Michigan Secretary of State he was advised it had been mailed.

Larcenies from Autos:

Malicious Destruction of Property:

Millpond, 2/28-3/1
Complainant stated her '05 Chevy Malibu would not start. It was transported to a mechanic who reported finding some type of substance had been poured in the gas tank that clogged the fuel lines.

Minors and Alcohol:

Neighbor Troubles:



Crime Prevention Tips

Fraud Prevention:

- Ø Remember that nothing that is worth anything is free.
- Ø If someone that you do not know offers to do you a favor, they probably have an ulterior motive.
- Ø Never give any personal information out to an unknown source over the phone or Internet.

(If someone asks for personal information, ask to speak to the supervisor and inform him or her you will be calling the Police to make a fraud report.)

No reputable business will call you or email you for this information!!!

Complainant reported being informed that when he is away his neighbor has been walking onto his property and taking photographs. Complainant and neighbor are apparently involved in some sort of civil dispute. Complainant stated he came home recently to discover neighbor backing out of his (complainant's) drive. When he tried to talk to him the neighbor took his photo, made an accusation and drove off.

Peace Officer/Civil:

Officers responded to a business on a report of an argument between company rep and delivery driver over money delivery driver was alleging business owed him. Both advised it was civil and directed to make a civil claim. Delivery driver advised not to return to property.

Phone Calls/Harassment/Threats:

One harassment report involving an ex-husband taken.

Complainant stated a male subject has repeatedly shown up at her place of employment asking her out on a date. She has repeatedly told him no and asked him not to return. Officer was unable to contact him at time of this writing.

Retail Fraud:

Robberies:

Suspicious Incidents:

Golfsmith, 288 John R, 3/2, 1715 hrs.

Complainant reported observing a male in the corner of the store handling several golf drivers. When complainant made eye contact with subject he left. Upon checking the area she discovered two security alarm sensor tags had been removed from two of the clubs - one valued at \$500.00 and the other at \$450.00. Complainant located the broken tags discarded in a bag near the clubs in question. The subject was last seen entering a dark colored Ford SUV. Suspect is a B/M, 5'-10," 180, 25-years-old, wearing a tan jacket and jeans.

2000 block of Rochester, 3/7, 0558 hrs.

Complainant reported observing an unknown male standing/milling around the carports

Ø If you receive a phone call or email telling you that you have won something that you did not apply for, it is more than likely a fraud.

Ø **No legitimate organization will ask for any money or a Credit Card number in order to claim a prize**

Ø Protect yourself against identity theft by shredding all documents and safe guarding your account numbers, social security numbers and credit card numbers.

Ø Always maintain your credit cards and secure the credit card numbers.

Ø If you suspect that you have been the victim of credit fraud, call your credit card company and have them run a query of your charges.

Ø Never give your bank account numbers over the phone. Especially if unsolicited!

Identity theft continues to be the fastest growing crime in the world, and the city of Troy is no exception. We continually get reports of identity theft and fraud on a regular basis.

While it may not be totally avoidable, detecting the early signs of identity theft is one of the best ways to avoid

wearing a dark coat and dark pants. The subject was gone when officers arrived however tracks observed in the snow confirmed someone was out on foot. Given the same general area and overnight/morning times of occurrence it is possible this is related to the home invasion listed above (under "Home Invasions") and re-printed below. (*), as well as the suspicious incidents that occurred on Beech Lane also re-printed below. Beech Lane is in the same general area. (**).

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** Beech Lane, 2/21, 0230 hrs.

Complainant reported hearing her dog barking on 2/20 and 2/21 at about 0200 hrs. each morning. (The dog was inside the home). On 2/21 she discovered the rope that was holding the back-yard gate closed was cut and there were footprints in the snow. The footprints stopped short of the rear of the house at about the spot her barking dog would be visible from someone outside the home. On 2-23 officers were called back to the address during which time complainant reported that around 2230 hrs. on 2/22 she heard crunching noises in the snow outside the bathroom window as if someone was walking outside. Tracks were observed in the snow in the backyard.

FedEx/Kinko's, 1341 Coolidge, 3/7, 2000 hrs.

Complainant reported when he opened the rear door of the building where his truck was parked he observed a B/M, 20-30 years old, thin build, leap out of the back of his Fed Ex truck carrying a box. The suspect entered a waiting early 90's Pontiac Bonneville or Olds driven by a heavysset B/M, 20 to 30-years-old that fled from the lot. Unknown on what if anything was taken from truck at time of report.

Traffic Altercations:

Vandalism:

Weapons Offenses:

extensive losses and damage to your credit history.

If your wallet/purse etc. gets stolen, cancel all stolen credit and ATM cards immediately.

Checking your credit history regularly is a great way to keep apprised on the status of your credit.

Here are three sources for checking your credit history:
(The titles are links to the web pages)

[Equifax](#)

1-800-525-6282

[Experian](#)

1-888-397-3742

[TransUnion](#)

1-800-680-7289

Alcohol / Drugs

Be responsible! If you drink - **DO NOT DRIVE!**

If you serve alcohol make sure that your guests make it home safely.

Do not serve alcohol to under-aged 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

Welfare Checks:

An intoxicated adult female located in the area of Coolidge and Big Beaver required transport to the hospital for detox.

Troy Officers responded to four incidents involving individuals experiencing emotional/psychological difficulties and assisted with transport to the hospital for evaluation/commitment.

Special Events Information:The Selling of Addiction

The Troy Community Coalition, Troy Youth Assistance and Troy Families for Safe Homes are co-sponsoring a lecture on how *marketing alcohol and tobacco creates new addicts*. The featured presenter is Doctor Donna Learmont who is a media literacy expert. The presentation will be on Thursday, March 22, 2007 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Troy Community Center, which is located on the west side of Livernois just north of Big Beaver. Register at 248-823-5088.

Miscellaneous Information:

Dollar Carwash, 1300 W. Maple, 3/5, 1615 hrs.

Complainant reported 59-year-old female customer from Oak Park entered the wash and put her '99 Ford Taurus in reverse instead of neutral, striking the car behind her. Apparently there was no damage as neither driver wanted a report. When employees assisted the driver get her car in neutral she entered the wash, apparently shifted it into drive, drove through the wash, going off the track as she did and struck some pipes/equipment, causing some minor damage. There was a minor crack in the front bumper of the Taurus. The driver provided officers with a similar account of the day's event, but claimed the car wash was somehow responsible for her accident.

Your Carwash, 366 W. Maple, 3/5, 0017 hrs.

A dark SUV, possibly a Chevy Trailblazer, drove into the rear lot from an adjoining lot by driving over the lawns that separate the businesses. The SUV approached a dumpster and then backed up, striking the cash booth and damaging it. The driver exited the car inspected the damage and then drove off. Driver: W/M, 35 to 40-years-old.

Case Updates:

activities like boating or swimming. If you drink do it in moderation and don't drive or put yourself and others 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.

Assaults

Don't let the traffic, gas prices, cold weather and unhappy people



cause you to lose your temper. If someone says or does something to you to make you angry, stop and allow yourself to calm down before taking any action. All too often, people react to a driver cutting them off or a rude neighbor by sinking to their level and getting involved in a physical confrontation. A better course of action is to allow the other driver/person some space to work out their issues sans you! If you feel antagonized and that the situation is escalating call the police and let us help to settle the matter in a calm, legal and non-violent way.

Arrest Summary:

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

Domestic Assault: 2

Drunk Driving: 5

Retail Fraud: 11

Drove While License Suspended: 7

Warrants: 10



Whether you need a rose, a hose, clothes, 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

[Click here](#) to view the Troy Chamber's new eNewsletter geared toward residents. Included you will find everything from discount offers on pizzas to gym memberships and upcoming events presented by Troy Chamber member businesses. To sign-up to receive it automatically on a bi-monthly basis, please e-mail: deb@troychamber.com or call 248.641.1606.

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BUSINESSES:**

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