



City of Troy

Police Crime Alert

Community Services Section

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Crime Alert for period ending June 13, 2008

Altercations/Disorderly Conduct:

Assaults:

Parkton, 6/10, 1544 hrs.

A 31-year-old male from Troy reported he was driving on Parkton approaching his driveway when he observed a black Mercedes stopped in the roadway in front of his drive. He sounded his horn, drove past the Mercedes, and then pulled into the drive and parked at the rear of his house. The Mercedes pulled into the drive and the male driver exited, yelling at the complainant, and advising he was going to "mess the complainant up," and challenging him stating, "Let's go!" Complainant stated the subject was holding a camo-colored folding knife with a blade that appeared to be 4-5 inches in his right hand down by his side during the exchange. When complainant advised the subject he was calling police, the subject returned to his vehicle and

Events & Programs

Please click or go to the below link for community events for the coming June 13th – 20th Week!

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

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE CITY OF TROY IN JUNE

June 14: Youth Summer Reading Program – "Catch the Reading Bug" – Kick-Off, Library. Register online or at youth services to track the books you read for prizes. Plan ahead to attend one of three Summer Reading Program celebrations in August. FREE.

June 14: Teen Summer Reading Program – "Metamorphosis" – Kick-Off, Library. Register online to track the books you read for prizes this summer. Earn tickets for the Grand Prize Drawing of a \$100 Visa gift card. Plan ahead to attend the Teen Summer Reading Program Finale on August 13. FREE.

drove off. Subject is described as a W/M, possibly Hispanic, approximately 30-years-old, 6'-0," 180 lbs.

Assist Other Department/Law Enforcement:

Auto/Vehicle Thefts:

Vehma, 1230 Chicago, 6/11, 0530-1110 hrs.
'90 Buick LeSabre stolen from lot.

Breaking and Entries:

Deli Square Café, 300 E. Big Beaver, 5/26, 1530-1630 hrs.
Entry into the office building forced by prying an entrance door. Entry into Deli/café located inside office building also achieved by prying a door. \$100.00 from a cash register was stolen, as was approximately \$300.00 of miscellaneous food items from the refrigerator. A review of surveillance cameras by security revealed an unknown male subject enter the building via the entrance door that was found forced/pried. He is then seen wandering the building, moving the angle of security cameras as well as covering his face as he walks the hallways. Troy investigators are interested in identifying and interviewing him regarding his presence in the building during the time frame of the break in. See below photo:

June 14: 2008 Hershey Youth Track & Field Meet, Troy High School, 8:30 am. Open to Boys & Girls ages 9-14 (as of 12/31/2008). Registration forms available at the Troy Community Center. FREE.

June 14: Library Babies, Library, 11:30 am. Six to 12-month olds and caregivers will have a blast with lively activities, fingerplays and singing stories. Register. FREE.

June 14: The Little Creatures, Library, 2 pm. Daniel Briere will help us mark the beginning of the Summer Reading Program by showing poisonous bugs, along with reptiles that eat insects. All ages. Tickets now Available. FREE.

June 14: Family Night, Community Center, 5-8 pm. An inexpensive, fun night out for the family to enjoy quality time together while playing at the Community Center. Register. Fee: \$5 per 2 people, members FREE.

June 14: Parents Night Out, Community Center, 5:30-9:30 pm. While Mom and Dad have an evening out, children 7-12 years old are invited to a "kids only" party at the Troy Community Center. Pizza, craft, swimming & gym time. Register. Fee: \$15.

June 15: Fathers' Day at the Aquatic Center, Aquatic Center. Fathers accompanied by children over 3 will be admitted free. Regular fees apply for children.

June 17: Homelife Tour & Buttermaking, Museum, 10:30 am-noon. Compare living in the log cabin (1830s, Caswell house 1860s and Parsonage 1910s). A buttermaking opportunity with tasty samples follows. Ages 3rd grade and up. Register; walk-ins accepted until full. Fee: \$3.

June 17: Anime Club, Library, 1-2:30 pm.

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Crash Investigations:

Credit, Check, Identity Theft, and other Fraud:

Domestics/Family Troubles:

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

Drugs/Narcotics:

Gabriel and John R, 6/5, 1810 hrs.

Plain clothes officer observed the front seat passenger in a vehicle driving next to him smoking a joint in a cloud of smoke. The vehicle was stopped. The partially smoked marijuana cigarette was recovered from the floor next to the passenger's feet. Several roaches were recovered from a tin, also on the floor next to his feet. The 25-year-old male from Hazel Park was cited and released for "Possession of Marijuana."

Drunk/Intoxicated Driving Incidents of Interest:

Students who enjoy Anime and Manga are invited to join the Anime Club to meet others with similar interests. No registration. Teens. FREE.

June 18: Teen Day at the Aquatic Center, Aquatic Center. Bring Troy School ID or driver's license and pay evening rates all day.

June 18: Walk With a Naturalist, Nature Center, 10-11 am. Have a naturalist guide you through various habitats; after the hike, sign up to win a trip to Mackinac Island. Ages 3 – adult. FREE.

June 18: Sparkle and Shine!, Library, 2-4 pm. Moms, teens and tweens come to make fashionable bracelets with our supplies. No registration. FREE.

June 18: Dazzling Dragonflies, Library, 2 pm. Design a dragonfly that glitters and glows and then watch the sparkles as you wave it in the wind. Register beginning June 6. Ages 8+. FREE.

June 19: Video Game Day, Library, 11 am-12:30 pm. GameCube Super Smash tournament. Bring your own controller and DS to compete. Register beginning June 6. Ages 9-13. FREE.

June 19: Check Out New Video Games!, Library, 1-4 pm. Now is your chance to show off how good you are DDR, Guitar Hero and Nintendo Wii. Stop by and hang out with friends. Includes snacks/beverages. No registration. Teens. FREE.

June 19: Butterflies are Free!, Library, 2 pm. Butterflies hatched from our cocoons will be released into the Peace Garden. After make a butterfly to celebrate the Summer Reading Program. All ages welcome. FREE.

June 19: Evening Family Story Time,

Big Beaver near Rochester, 6/5, 1630 hrs.

Cell phone caller reported a blue Dodge Durango was driving erratically. Officers located it N/B on Rochester south of Big Beaver. As the marked units came into view, the vehicle pulled into a nearby restaurant lot. Officers followed and spoke with the 23-year-old female driver from Leonard. Her 5-year-old daughter was in the back seat in a child seat, however not secured in the seat. The driver was confused and was having difficulty keeping her eyes open. She stated she "did not have her license in her possession." She stated she "did not know where she was." She listed several prescriptions she was taking. She failed sobriety tests. She blew zero on a PBT (Preliminary Breath Test). Her license was found to be suspended. A hypodermic needle was located under the driver's seat of her car that contained suspected heroin. She was arrested. Her daughter was turned over to her father. A blood test was obtained. Charges for "Driving under the Influence of Narcotics," "Child Endangerment," "Driving on a Suspended License," and "Possession of Narcotics Paraphernalia" are pending toxicology results.

Embezzlements:**Home Invasions:****Larcenies:****Office, 3290 W. Big Beaver, 5/30, 0800-1700 hrs.**

Complainant reported his wallet was stolen from his briefcase at his office. His credit cards have since been used to make fraudulent purchases in other cities.

Michigan College of Beauty, 3784 Rochester, 5/16, 1100 hrs.

Complainant stated she observed an 18-year-old female classmate from Detroit going through her purse. When she asked the subject what she was doing, she replied "looking for change." She retrieved her purse from the subject and went to lunch to discover \$20.00 missing.

Grape Leaves, 6/6, 2045 hrs.

Complainant stated he left his Blackberry Pearl cell phone on the table when he departed. When he discovered it missing and returned, the phone was gone.

Panera Bread, 1325 Coolidge, 6/11, 1630-1700 hrs.

Complainant stated she left her purse on a table when she exited the restaurant. When she returned to retrieve it, she was advised an employee found it and turned it over to management. When management returned the purse to her, she stated the wallet was missing.

Spencer's, Oakland Mall, 412 W. 14 Mile, 6/10, 1810 hrs.

Complainants, both 18-year-old females, stated that two male subjects tricked them out of \$50.00 in a quick-change scam. One apparently distracted one of the complainants while the other purchased a \$2.00 item from the other complainant and began asking for different amounts of

Library, 7 pm. Visit the library for bug stories, stay for milk and cookies. All ages welcome. FREE.

June 20: Insects Do the Strangest Things, Library, 2 pm. Professor Anson Pantz of the Kalamazoo Nature Center investigates the strange things insects do. Lots of fun with this zany professor. Limited tickets available on June 6. Ages 5+. FREE.

June 20: JamFest for Teens, Aquatic Center, 8-11 pm. Swimming, volleyball, water hoops, live music by the bands Second Strike and Strange Habits, dancing, free drawings for door prizes. For high school students. Fee: \$5, includes \$3 food voucher.

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 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

change. After the subjects left, the complainant that conducted the transaction was confused as to what occurred, so they counted the cash drawer and discovered it was \$50.00 short. Suspect that made the purchase: B/M, 35, medium height, muscular build, wearing a purple shirt. Subject #2: B/M, 35, 6'-2," wearing a green polo shirt.

Redwood, 6/9-6/11

Complainant reported a diamond ring was stolen from her jewelry box in her bedroom. Apparently her adult daughter had a friend, her friend's 14-year-old son, as well as a 19-year-old male associate of the 14-year-old at the residence during the period the ring came up missing.

Parks Landscaping, 1401 Souter, 6/9-6/10, 2100-0640 hrs.

Five trailers stored in fenced lot had locks cut off and several Shindaiwa weed whips, Red Max back pack blowers and Shindaiwa stick edgers stolen.

Lab Corp, 2265 Livernois, 6/9, 1830-1930 hrs.

Medical lock box stolen from front entrance. Apparently the company performs drug testing and the box contained blood and urine samples waiting for testing.

Larcenies from Autos:

Malicious Destruction of Property:

Portsmouth, 6/8-6/9, 2000-0800 hrs.

A '02 Buick Rendezvous and '96 Plymouth Voyager parked in the driveway were both keyed. Rendezvous had an obscenity carved into the passenger side. (Non racial/ethnic.) Complainant stated the area was dark due to power outage. (No similar incidents reported in the area.)

Troy Marriott, 100 W. Big Beaver, 6/5-6/7

'07 Chrysler Sebring parked in lot was keyed along the passenger side.

Minors and Alcohol:

Apartment Complex Pool, Somerset Boulevard, 6/10, 1710 hrs.

A 19-year-old male lifeguard from Troy reported a female that was at the pool appeared ill and was throwing up. Officers located the 17-year-old female from Birmingham. She had been drinking, could barely talk and was not very responsive. She blew 0.18 on a PBT (Preliminary Breath Test). EMS transported her to the hospital for evaluation. She was issued a ticket for MIP (Minor in Possession). Apparently there was an unknown male with her. When he found out police were called, a bystander heard him say, "Well then, I have to leave." He was not located.

Neighbor Troubles:

Peace Officer/Civil:

* 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



Crime Prevention Tips

Ø If you would like to have the security of your residence or business inspected please contact the Troy Police Crime Prevention Officer at 248-524-3464!

Alcohol / Drugs

Somerset Inn, 2601 W. Big Beaver, 6/5, 1117 hrs.

A 29-year-old male complainant stated a 23-year-old male co-worker spit on him. An argument ensued during which the subject made threats against the complainant. Suspect was gone when officers arrived.

Phone Calls/Harassment/Threats:

One obscene telephone call report taken.

Two harassing telephone call reports taken.

One harassment/stalking report taken.

Four threats reports taken.

Retail Fraud:

DSW, 600 John R, 6/4, 2025 hr.

Complainant stated two female subjects entered the store. One asked where the Michael Kors shoes were. They were directed to the appropriate aisle. When a sales associate approached them to offer assistance, they immediately left the store. As they exited the store, they took off running and entered a blue Chevy Silverado pickup which fled the lot. Upon checking the boxes of shoes the subjects were last seen near, two empty boxes were discovered. The shoes are valued at \$49.99 each. One of the suspects was described as a B/F, approximately 20-years, 5'-3," 115, long black hair, wearing a plaid jacket, brown hat, brown shirt and blue jeans.

Robberies:

Suspicious Incidents:

Andover, 6/3-6/5

Complainant stated someone has been coming to her door and ringing her doorbell between 0130 and 0330 hrs. for the last three mornings. She has not approached the door, and in checking from the window has been unable to see anyone.

Business, 34769 Dequindre, 6/10, 1200 hrs.

Complainant stated approximately three weeks ago a subject entered the business claiming to be a representative from UPS requesting complainant fill out some paperwork. Complainant did not fill out the form. The subject would not leave the paperwork or produce a business card. On 6/10, a different subject came into the business, produced a business card from UPS and requested complainant fill out similar paperwork. The subject claimed the law required complainant to fill it out and if he didn't he would be fired. Complainant requested he leave the documents and come back. Complainant stated he attempted to contact someone at UPS regarding the legitimacy of the visit, but was not able to speak with anyone. He suspects a scam, as he stated he was similarly victimized by a Western Union scam in the past. There is no

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.

Home Invasion / B&E

Always secure your doors and windows.

Ø Garages and door walls are targets for thieves.

Ø Always ensure your garage door and pedestrian doors are secured.

Ø Do not leave garage door remote controls in cars not parked in the garage.

Ø Use 1 ½'' dowel rod in the track of all sliding glass windows and doors to help prevent them from opening.

letterhead on the paperwork.

Continental, 6/7-6/11

Lock broken off back yard storage shed with nothing missing.

Comerica Bank, 1495 Crooks, 6/11, 1645-1710 hrs.

Complainant reported a male subject was outside taking pictures of the bank. It appeared when the subject noticed he was being watched, he stopped taking the photos and walked away. As he did, he removed his sweatshirt and put it into his backpack. He crossed Maple and proceeded north. As he arrived at the 7-11 N/O Maple on Crooks, he removed his hat and met up with a second male subject who was also on foot. Both walked south and were last seen in the area of the gas station at the N/E corner of Crooks and Maple. Subject described as a B/M, approximately 30, carrying a blue backpack, wearing a blue sweat -shirt, grey T-shirt, blue hat with an old Detroit Tiger "D", jeans, and white shoes. The second subject was described as a B/M, approximately 30, wearing a white T-shirt and red backpack.

Traffic Altercations:

Vandalism:

Weapons Offenses:

Welfare Checks:

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:

Looking for the Owner of a Macaw Parrot

755 W. Big Beaver, 6/10, 1630 hrs.

Complainant located a full grown Macaw Parrot in a tree outside the building. He was able to capture it and place it in a box. A Troy PD Animal Control Officer picked it up. It is currently being housed in the Troy PD Animal Control area at the station. We are attempting to locate the owner. The parrot will be transferred to the Oakland County Animal Shelter late this afternoon if an owner can not be located by then. A photo of the bird is shown below:

Ø It has been proven time and time again that the proper use and application of physical security will stop a would-be burglar.

Ø Burglary alarms are only as reliable as the person setting them. If you have an alarm, make sure that every resident or employee knows how to activate and deactivate it, as well as the security code.



Upcoming programs at the:

Stage Nature Center

6685 Coolidge Highway

Troy, Mi 48098

248-524-3567

<http://www.troymi.gov/ParksRec/NatureCenter/SpecialPrograms/>



The *Troy Community Coalition* is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for



Case Updates:

The Macaw Parrot noted above was re-united with its owners last night. They are a family in Royal Oak. When Troy PD put out an area wide broadcast regarding the bird, we received notice that Royal Oak PD had taken a missing parrot report. The complainant was contacted and indicated the bird flew away the previous Friday when its cage was being cleaned. They produced documentation the bird was theirs and picked it up at the police station. They wish to convey their thanks for all who covered the story, as well as neighbors and friends that tried to assist them locate and re-capture their pet.

N/B I-75 between Rochester and Big Beaver, 6/8, 1330 hrs.

A 55-year-old male complainant from Detroit reported the vinyl bed liner of a '08 Chevy Silverado pickup driving in a lane ahead of him blew out. A car driving behind the pickup hit the liner. The liner flew over that car and struck the complainant's '07 Ford Mustang breaking the grill, cracking the front bumper, and damaging the side panel. He and the driver of the other car were able to catch the pickup and get the 20-year-old male driver from Goodrich to stop and exchange information. Complainant indicated winds were somewhat high at the time.

Beach and Square Lake, 6/9, 1034 hrs.

Officers responded to a complaint that two youths were driving what appeared to be a golf cart reportedly causing damage to lawns in the area. One of the youths reportedly lived at a residence on Tewksbury. Officers responded there and spoke to a 44-year-old female who advised her 11-year-old son was out with his 11-year-old friend driving their dune buggy. While officers were there, the boys drove up. The driver's mother was advised the buggy was not legal to drive on the public roadway. Both were released to parents with follow-up on possible property damage in area pending.

Hollins Hall Lane, 7/2007-11/2007

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 of our many exciting upcoming

Community Standards for Alcohol Use



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

Complainant reported his Browning .380 handgun turned up missing from a dresser drawer it was stored in. Apparently complainant has a second home in another state and checked for the weapon there. After not locating it at either residence, he made the report. Gun entered in the computer system as missing/stolen.

Stoneyridge and Oak Hill, 6/8, 2155 hrs.

Officers responding to a report of a downed power line in the middle of Oak Hill reported several subjects on bikes in the area that appeared intoxicated. One began yelling obscenities at officers using the “F” word, demanding they do their jobs, and asserting he paid their salaries. He proceeded to flee the area on his bike. A second member of the party dumped his bike and fled the area on foot. Some time later the original subject was observed by an officer on a nearby street. He took off on the bike again, eventually dumping it and fleeing on foot. The two remaining subjects were located and stopped on another street. They were a 19-year-old from Birmingham and a 20-year-old from Troy. They stated they were “riding to a friend’s house in the area.” They claimed they “owned the bikes they were riding.” Officers contacted a 57-year-old female at the residence the subjects claimed to be heading to. She confirmed the two bikes belonged to her and she hadn’t given either of the subjects permission to take them. She requested the bikes be returned and she did not wish to pursue charges. The two subjects claimed they didn’t know who that person was that yelled the obscenities. They were released. Meanwhile, Troy Dispatch received three 911 calls from an unknown male using profanity, as well as advising the police need to do their jobs and shut down the streets due to the downed wires. Officers located a City of Birmingham ID number on the bike the subject that yelled the obscenities dumped when he fled. Birmingham was contacted and advised it was listed to a female on Paddington in Troy. A computer query on the female revealed a 20-year-old male from Troy associated with her at that address. Officers pulled up his driver’s license photo on computer and confirmed he was the individual that had fled. Another computer query using the number from which those 911 calls came in matched the phone number used by that same 20-year-old male from Troy on police reports on file from the past. Officers located him at his Troy residence the next day. He admitted involvement in this incident, apologized for shouting the obscenities on the street, as well as for the 911 calls. He claimed he was not drinking, pointing out he is on probation and is required to take PBT’s every morning. He was issued a citation for “Using Obscene Language in a Public Place,” as well as “Hindering and Obstructing Police” and released.

4000 block of John R, 6/11, 1400 hrs.

Officers responded to a report of the resident cutting the top off of what appeared to be an electrical transformer and pouring the liquid from inside onto the ground. Officers arrived and spoke to a 25-year-old male resident from Troy. He advised his roommate was working behind the garage, but had left to pick up his girlfriend. Officers located 50-100 metal step-down transformer capacitors stacked up against the fence, as well as many others laying in a pile. They were cut open from the top. Officers observed a dark looking patch of ground 10-15 feet in diameter that appeared oily and smelled like chemicals. Officers requested the subject contact his roommate and have him return to the residence. The 25-year-old returned home and

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explained he had found the transformer boxes discarded in the woods behind the residence. He stated he went on-line and discovered the cores contained aluminum and copper, as well as transformer oil. He stated his research on-line indicated the transformer oil was not hazardous to his health, so he began cutting them open, removing the cores, and selling them at scrap yards. The Fire Department and Hazardous Materials Team responded to the scene. They determined the substance inside the transformers is an insulating/cooling lubricant. Older model transformers of this nature contained PCB's. Many of the cut/open transformers contained labels indicating they did not contain PCB's. Some, however, did not contain similar labels. Preliminary chemical testing of the soil did not detect PCB's. Air sampling of the area came back negative for any hazards. There was no need for evacuation. The residents of the house in question were not required to leave. The affected area in the yard was taped off. The DEQ was summoned and are investigating. They took additional soil samples. They will determine if and what charges may be forthcoming.

Case Updates:

Arrest Summary:

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

Drunk Driving: 4
Drove While License Suspended: 4
Drove While License Expired: 1
Retail Fraud: 3
Warrants: 2

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