



City of  
**Troy**

# Police Crime Alert

## Community Services Section

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## Crime Alert for period ending October 3, 2008

### Altercations/Disorderly Conduct:

### Assaults:

### Assist Other Department/Law Enforcement:

### Auto/Vehicle Thefts:

930 John-R – UDAA – 9/26 between 19:30-21:30 hours: Unknown took a 1997 Mercury Villager from the parking lot.

### Breaking and Entries:

Navin Field construction site – Rochester rd. – Between 9/29-9/30 – 03:30-07:00 hours: Unknown broke into his company's tool trailer at the construction site. The suspect pried off the rear door clasp which allowed an opening big enough for someone to gain entry. Taken were numerous tools, but complainant was not able to give an exact account of what was taken. No suspects at this time.

### Crash Investigations:

5545 Corporate – Personal injury accident (PIA) – OWI Arrest – 9/28 – 20:00 hours: Officers responded to a PIA involving a vehicle that struck a pole near 5545 Corporate.

## Events & Programs

Please click or go to the below link for community events for the coming October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> week!

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE CITY OF TROY IN OCTOBER

October 4: Teen Video Game Tournament, Library, 12-2:30 pm. Come hang out and play in a Super Smash Brawl Tournament; also DDR and Guitar Hero. Bring your own controller if you prefer. Register. FREE.

October 4: Homelife Tour & Buttermaking, Museum, 1-2:15 pm. Compare living in the log cabin (1830s), Caswell house (1860s), and Parsonage (1910s). A buttermaking opportunity with tasty samples follows. Participants must have completed second grade. Groups of 10+ must register. Walk-ins accepted until full. Fee: \$5.

October 5: Fire Department Open House, 1 - 4 pm.

Upon arrival Officers made contact with the driver of the single motor vehicle crash. It was determined he was intoxicated and the driver admitted that he blacked out. The Intoxicated driver drove over the curb, struck a fire hydrant and sent it airborne into the woods over 105 feet during which time the hydrant while airborne struck a stop sign. The vehicle then traveled with no right wheel and struck an electric utility pole causing significant damage to the pole. The vehicle was severely damaged, however the driver suffered no visible injuries. Driver was arrested for OWI.

**Pedestrian Injury Accident – Maple @ Hartshorne – 10/2 @ 06:56 hours:** A pedestrian running south bound from the north bound curb was stuck by an east bound vehicle in the high speed lane of East bound Maple. The vehicle violated no traffic laws as it appears the pedestrian was wearing dark cloths and attempting to catch a Smart Bus when he ran in front of the vehicle. Minor injuries were suffered by the pedestrian.

#### Credit, Check, Identity Theft, and other Fraud:

**5498 Crooks – Charley’s Crab Restaurant – 9/27 – 16:00 hours:** Suspect waitress allegedly altered her tip amount on various credit card charges of the restaurant’s guests. It has not been determined yet as to how much money was lost due to these manipulated credit card receipts, however management at Charley’s Crab are continuing to investigate complaints.

**2800 West Big Beaver – Anthropologie @ Somerset Collections – 9/27 – 18:18 hours:** Suspect purchased a pair of woman jeans valued at \$ 158.00 with two one hundred dollar American Express Travelers Cheques as payment. After signing the Travelers Cheques the attendant verified identity with a Michigan Driver’s License that matched the name signed on the Cheques. After the suspect left the store it was verified through Bank of America that the Travelers Cheques were counterfeit. The Travelers Cheques were placed into evidence.

#### Domestics/Family Troubles:

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

#### Drugs/Narcotics:

#### Drunk/Intoxicated Driving Incidents of Interest:

**North Bd. I-75 @ Big Beaver Overpass – Leaving the scene of a one car crash – Drunk & Disorderly – Assault Police Officer arrest – 9/29 – 12:37 hours :** Officers responded to a one car accident that crashed in the construction zone at Big Beaver on I-75 where the

Stop by any of the six Troy Fire Stations for stop, drop & roll demos; fire extinguisher demos; ladder rides; Safety House demos; refreshments and more. FREE.

**October 5: Art Workshop, Library, 2 pm.** Design a unique art project by using our stamps to create your masterpiece. Ages 3+. Registration begins on Sept. 19. FREE.

**October 7: Write @ TPL, Library, 12:30-2:30 pm.** Express your creativity in a supportive environment at TPL’s annual poetry writing workshop. The group meets every Tuesday through April 2009. Register. FREE.

**October 7: Far Away Places, Library, 7 pm.** Listen to fascinating travel accounts as this month features Lori Feret’s lighthouse tales and ghost stories. No registration. FREE.

**October 8: Troy Police Honor Guard Spaghetti Dinner, San Marino Club (1865 E. Big Beaver), 6-9 pm.** Tickets at event: Adults- \$8; Seniors- \$7; Kids- \$4. Family Advanced Ticket Special: \$20 (for 2 adults and 2 kids). For more information and ticket orders call Sgt. Dan Daniel at 248.524.3556 or Sgt. Jim Clark at 248.524.3462.

**October 8: “Buying a House” – Embracing a Changing Economy Workshop Series, Community Center, 7-9 pm.** Listen to our guest speakers as they discuss foreclosures, appraisal issues, financing options, loan options and more. No registration. FREE.

**October 9: Little Acorns, Nature Center, 10-11 am (ages 1-3) and 1-2 pm (ages 3-4).** Explore the sights, smells, and sounds of fall with your young child. Children will experience nature with their senses through various activities in the outdoors. Ages 1-4; accompanied by adult parent/caregiver. Register. Fee: \$4 per child; accompanying adult is FREE.

**October 9: International Story Time, Library, 7 pm.** Drop in for stories told in Arabic. All ages. No registration. FREE.

driver left the accident scene. Shortly thereafter Officers responded to a trouble with customer at TGIF restaurant, 585 West Big Beaver. The customer causing trouble matched the description of the registered owner of the Oldsmobile from the crash on I-75. The management at TGIF stated the extremely intoxicated subject sat down at a table of people that he did not know and started buying drinks of which he refused to pay for and became irate. Subject became disorderly with Officers at which time he was arrested for drunk and disorderly. After being handcuffed and escorted to the Police vehicle the arrestee stomped down on an Officer's foot and kicked that same Officer twice in the leg. Subject was ultimately charged with "Assault and Batter upon a Police Officer," "Disorderly Conduct," and "Leaving the scene of an accident."

**Police Flee and Elude Arrest – East bound Big Beaver/Livernois – 10/2 – 01:00 hours:** An Officer of the Troy Police Department attempted to stop a dark colored Ford Expedition for traffic law violations using emergency lights and siren, when the female driver accelerated attempting to flee police. In an effort to escape police, the driver of the Ford Expedition intentionally collided with a Troy Police Patrol Car. Officers were able to stop this vehicle in the area of Big Beaver and Dequindre with no one being injured. Driver of the fleeing vehicle smelled of intoxicants. Subject was arrested and transported to the Troy PD lock-up.

#### Embezzlements:

**1099 Rochester Rd. – H & H Wholesale – 9/25 – 13:00 hours:** Based upon internal video tapes management of this company were able to view one of their employees removing boxes from the dumpster that appeared to be full of their product. After company management interviewed suspected employee he admitted to the theft of low value items from the business.

#### Home Invasions:

**Willow Creek – Between 9/28- approximately 19:30-23:30 hours** unknown entered open garage and took 3 cases of beer and 6 bottles of wine from a refrigerator.

#### Larcenies:

**4509 Briggs – Theft of Mail – 9/26 – 11:00 hours:** Taken from complainant's mailbox were 2 Netflix CDs and 2 Birthday cards with personal checks inside. Complainant was notified that he found the birthday cards opened and laying on the ground, but the checks were missing. Neighbors who saw a couple of suspicious individuals in the area around the time of the theft described both in their teens, one being a W/F and the other a W/M.

**1975 E. Long Lake – Calvary Chapel – Between 9/26-9/27 – 21:00-13:00 hours :** Taken

**October 9: Applying and Paying for College, Library, 7-8:30 pm.** Topics of this seminar include creating a list of colleges to apply to, organizing the application process to meet all deadlines, hints on when and how to write the essays, and a quick tour of financial aid. Students are encouraged to bring their parents along. No registration. FREE.

**October 9: Writing Grant Proposals for Non-Profit Organizations, Library, 7-8:30 pm.** This first session of this two-part series will explore locating and contacting foundations, as well as using online and print resources. Register. FREE.

**October 10: Parent and Tot Bus Trip – Preschool Halloween Pumpkin Hunt, Community Center, 9:30 am-12:30 pm.** Bring your preschooler ages 18-months to 5-years to a special Halloween celebration at Westview Orchards in Romeo. Register. Fee: \$15 per person.

**October 10: Technology Club, Library, 4:15-5:30 pm.** Share educational fun on the Internet. Ages 9+. Register – space is limited. FREE.

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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

from a utility trailer in the parking lot was a large riding lawnmower on the north side of the church. Complainant advised that the trailer was unlocked due to a broken lock. No suspects at this time.

4571 John R – St. Anastasia Catholic Church – 9/28 – between 17:00-18:00 hours: While complainant was attending the 5 p.m. mass unknown suspect stole her purse. The purse contained a wallet, however no cash.

1750 Blaney @ Hamilton Asphalt – 9/26-9/29 – between 18:00-07:30 hours : Taken from an unsecured area parked at Hamilton Asphalt was a Beuthling Model B-100 Heat Exchanger. Complainant states that he believes that the culprits took the Heat Exchanger for the copper value. No suspects at the time

#### Larcenies from Autos:

4700 Investment Dr. – Lifetime Fitness – 9/27 – Between 11:50 – 13:45 hours: Unknown suspect broke out the side rear window of a blue Ford Explorer. Taken was complainant's purse containing various credit cards, cell phone, store credit slips and a wallet with various I.D.

1265 Coolidge Hwy – Rear of Kohl's – Vehicles owned by Saturn of Troy- 9/28 – between 04:00-10:30 hours: Attacked vehicles were parked at this location as the lot is an overflow lot from the Saturn dealership on Maplelawn. Multiple vehicle wheels were taken. No suspects at this time. Follow up by DB to see if there was security video that may have captured this crime. No suspects at this time.

658 Colony – Between 9/26-9/27 – 16:00-16:00 hours: Taken were 4 tires from a gold Toyota Camry that was left on cement blocks in the parking lot. No suspects at this time.

Greensboro St. – Between 9/28-9/29 – 23:00-2300 hours: Taken from victim's vehicle that was parked on the street in front of his house was the face plate of his stereo. There was no sign of forced entry and complainant admits that he may have left his car unlocked.

Bellows Dr. – Between 9/29-9/30 – 23:00-07:00 hours: Unknown broke the window on complainant's vehicle that was parked on the street in front of his address. The suspects searched through the vehicle, however nothing was taken. No suspects at this time.

Pasadena Dr. – Between 9/29-9/30 – 23:00-06:30 hours : Unknown suspect broke the rear window on the complainant's Suburban that was parked on the street in front of his residence. Taken was fishing equipment valued over \$1500.00.

- \* 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](mailto: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!*

#### Larcenies from Autos / Car Theft

**Things that can be done to combat auto theft and larcenies from autos include:**

**350 John-R – T J Maxx – 10/1 – approximately 18:00 hours: Unknown suspect gained entry by unknown means (possibly unlocked) into a GMC Trail Blazer. Taken was complainant's gym bag containing: tennis shoes, Sony digital camera, diamond stud earrings, 5lb wt., and a mouth splint. Culprit also took two wheel covers and cut the wire connecting On-Star to the rear view mirror.**

**Malicious Destruction of Property:**

**Minors and Alcohol:**

**Neighbor Troubles:**

**Peace Officer/Civil:**

**Phone Calls/Harassment/Threats:**

**Retail Fraud:**

**Robberies:**

**Suspicious Incidents:**

**Pasadena Dr. Beaver Trail Park – 9/25 – 16:30 hours: Three 5<sup>th</sup> grade students from Barnard Elementary School were approached by a suspicious person described as an older W/M with no teeth, wearing baggie torn clothes, gray hair, and smoking. The suspicious male gave one of the females a bag of M&Ms candy and stated “tare and share.” When the youth stated she was going to drop the bag of candy in the drain sewer the suspicious male became angry and proceeded to yell and swear at the multiple students from a distance. It is reported that the suspect did not threaten any of these students and left without further incident. A Juvenile Detective has been notified of incident and extra patrol requested in the area.**

**Bywater Street – Prowler – 9/27 – 20:00 hours: Complainant states that she observed a suspicious B/M in his twenties, approximately 6', thin built, collar length hair which was braided into about 5 corn rows wearing blue jeans and a dark t-shirt who was looking into the house from the backyard. Complainant states that this unknown male has been seen in her neighborhood before.**

**Hale, Lila, and Prentis Dr. – Suspicious Vehicle - 9/30 – 07:12 hours: There have been several complaints in reference to a suspicious vehicle that has been seen in and around the bus stops during the a.m. pick up of students. This same vehicle has been seen in the area for several days and is described as a Red 2000 Chevy van driven by a heavy set black male. The only overt act reported was that the driver of this van was shining a**

Ø **Installing a car alarm.**

Ø **Using steering-wheel locking applications like the club etc.**

Ø **Applications of a hidden kill switch to the ignition system.**

Ø **Park in a well lit well traveled area if possible.**

Ø **Always maintain security of vehicle keys.**

Ø **Do not leave anything of value in your vehicle in plain view.**

Ø **Always lock your vehicle doors.**

Ø **Never leave a vehicle unattended while running.**

Ø **There is a trend of things being stolen from vehicles in the parking lots of fitness centers and fun centers. While going to these places, be extra careful to remove all items of value and secure your vehicle.**

## **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**

flashlight into the area residences as he cruised the neighborhood. There has been no report that this individual has made any contact with any student. On 10/1, approximately 07:30 hours Officers from the Troy Traffic Safety Unit stopped this van and verified that that driver is a newspaper delivery service for the Detroit Free Press and Wall Street Journal. The driver was using his flash light because he is new to this job.

#### Traffic Altercations:

#### Vandalism:

#### Weapons Offenses:

#### Welfare Checks:

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

#### Special Events Information:

Troy Police Traffic Safety Unit worked a grand funded Alcohol Enforcement event for TIA over this past weekend. TSU Officers arrested 3 individuals for OWI of which two of these arrests were for felony OWI 3<sup>rd</sup> degree.

### **Troy Coalition Seeks Community Support for the Annual Celebrity Night Dinner**

This year's annual Celebrity Night Dinner hosted by the Troy Community Coalition for the Prevention of Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco Abuse will be held at the San Marino Club on Thursday, October 23, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. The San Marino Club is located at 1685 E. Big Beaver in Troy.

The Coalition partners with several agencies in the city to provide a myriad of prevention and education programs unique to Troy both in the schools and general community. Topics include drug and alcohol abuse prevention and awareness for teens and parents; the impact of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco on health and development; dealing with peer pressure; responsible life choices; the impact of bad choices on college, career, and health. The Coalition sponsors youth dialog days where teens meet and share perceptions, problems, and ideas with community and business leaders. In addition, the Coalition is a major sponsor of the summer Jam Fest Concert Series for middle and high school teens, Spring Break Troy Style where organized activities are provided

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.

### Larceny

- Ø Always keep control of all your property.
- Ø Your belongings are not safe while you are playing sports or at work unless you have them properly locked or are in possession of them.
- Ø Thieves wait for the right time and will take property quickly.
- Ø Unfortunately you cannot always trust co-workers or other business associates.
- Ø Do not rely on others to watch your belongings. If they fail, you will be the victim, not them.

throughout the community during spring break, and a summer camp that provides an organized and chaperoned program for kids that would otherwise remain unsupervised during the day time hours in the summer. Community forums are sponsored on a variety of topics including media influence on teens, prescription drug abuse, and Internet safety. The Coalition advocates with community, political, and business leaders on issues that affect the quality of life for all who live, work, and do business in this community.

Funding for these efforts is derived from grants, donations, and fund raisers. The challenging economy has significantly reduced the availability of grants, resulting in greater reliance on fund raising and donations to maintain these high quality programs. The Celebrity Night Dinner is the key annual fund raiser the Coalition depends upon to insure its efforts remain sustainable.

This event is a very entertaining, positive, and upbeat night out. The event is not solely for Coalition members. Parents, groups, organizations, and businesses that are similarly concerned about youth related issues are especially asked to consider attending and supporting this event. Tickets are \$125.00 per person, \$90.00 of which is tax deductible. Businesses in town are asked to consider sponsoring a table, perhaps taking out a program add, or even becoming a sponsor of the event. Several businesses in town choose to sponsor an entire table of ten and then select employees to attend as a reward for great performance over the year. Silent auction items are also needed to assist make the event a complete success.

This year's guest entertainer is Mike Rayburn "The World's Funniest Guitar Virtuoso." The event offers alcohol free beverages, hors devours, a sit down dinner, silent auction, a raffle for a Palace Suit for a Piston's Basketball Game, in addition to the evening's featured entertainer. This year's Master of Ceremonies will be Ms. Karen Drew from WDIV Channel 4 News.

Please consider supporting this most worthy cause and assist the Troy Community Coalition in its continuing efforts to promote a healthy and safe community in which our youth can reach their true potential.

For additional information, please contact the Coalition office at 248- 823-5088.

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# Child Car Seat Check!

Ø Be cautious of who you allow into your home. If you invite guests that you really do not know into your home you are inviting trouble.



**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 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

**It is the law that children under age 8 and under 4'9" tall MUST be in a car seat or booster seat!**

## Free Car Seat Checks at:

**Troy Union Elementary  
1340 E. Square Lake  
Troy, MI 48085**

***Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>  
4pm-6pm***

- \*Child MUST be present**
- \*MUST have vehicle with lap/shoulder belt available for child receiving booster seat**
- \*NO appointments necessary**

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](http://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](mailto:deb@troychamber.com) or call 248.641.1606.

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For information Call:  
Jaime Sinutko  
@ (248) 561-7596

Miscellaneous Information:

Below listed trend is going on with area youth. It is not unlawful to possess the Jimson weed seeds, however if you come across a youth with the below listed seeds or symptoms, it could be a case of jimson weed poisoning.

Jimson Weed is becoming very popular again with the youth. Royal Oak Beaumont has seen several cases in their Emergency Room.

Jimson Weed is found in the common plant called the moon flower. This time of year the flower buds turn into a prickly pods that contain the seeds. Youth will chew these seeds to get a high. As with any drug experimenting, youth do not know how much is too much.

Jimson Weed use causes extreme pupil dilation, elevated temperature, rapid heart beat, slowing of the intestines and jerky movements. Overdoses can lead to a coma, respiratory arrest and seizures. Extreme cases have resulted in death from the above effects.

Case Updates:

Arrest Summary:

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

OWI: 10  
DWLS: 11



a Troy Chamber-sponsored program, encourages residents to think about doing business in Troy by choosing products and/or services provided by Chamber member businesses.

**!** Sign-up to receive B2C4U—a bi-monthly email listing of events and discounts offered by Troy Chamber member businesses. E-mail your name, email address and phone number to: [deb@troychamber.com](mailto:deb@troychamber.com).

[Click here](#) for more information

**Retail Fraud: 7**  
**Warrant Arrest: 6**

**TROY RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES:**

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Email your name, address, contact telephone number,  
and email address to:

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website:**

[www.cityoftroypolice.com](http://www.cityoftroypolice.com)

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