

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

August 2, 2019

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from July 26, 2019 – August 1, 2019. Readers are reminded that an "arrest" is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court's website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov)

<u>INCIDENTS</u>

Petit Larceny 19-007807 Vienna Sunoco 102 Maple Avenue, West July 23 between 7:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

On July 25, an employee reported a larceny that occurred on July 23. The employee stated that two juveniles came to the gas station, and one of them stole a Juul and some Juul pods. Ofc. Nesbitt contacted the juveniles and their parents regarding the theft. The owner of the business agreed not to pursue charges if the juveniles paid for the items. The juveniles were trespassed from the gas station and advised the may be charged if they return to the property.

Suspicious Event 19-007843 Glyndon Park 300 Glyndon Street, NE July 26 10:30 a.m.

A childcare provider left a child in the park unattended for a short amount of time to take care of a personal matter. Officers spoke to the child's parents who will follow up with the provider concerning the issue.

Grand Larceny 19-007856 Westwood Country Club 800 Maple Avenue, East

July 26 between 2:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

A citizen reported that someone entered her unlocked vehicle and stole credit cards from her purse. The cards were then used in an attempt to make unauthorized purchases in Fairfax County.

Alarm 19-007866 Social Burger 350 Maple Avenue, West July 27 4:48 a.m.

Officers responded to an alarm at the restaurant and found one of the doors was unlocked. The officers searched the business and found nothing appeared to be out of place.

Animal Case 19-007867 1300 Block Ross Drive, SW July 26 7:00 p.m.

A resident found an injured bat in her yard that she believed may have come into contact with her dog. Sgt. Kiley transported the bat to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter for rabies testing.

House Fire 19-007918 400 Block Old Courthouse Road, NE

July 28 between 1:41 p.m. and 3:45 p.m.

Ofc. Gucwa was on patrol when she was alerted to smoke coming out of the house windows. The fire department was notified while officers attempted to locate anyone who may be inside the residence. It was determined that no one was home except the family dog who made it out safely.

Police Service 19-007944 Dominion Road near the W&OD Bike Trail, SE July 29 11:00 a.m.

A citizen reported a man along the bike trail loading wire into a vehicle. PFC Sterling located a man who was with a power company doing work in the area over the next few weeks with Dominion Power. The man advised it was his company's employees who were loading the wire.

Police Service 19-007952 600 Block Orrin Street, SE July 29 4:02 p.m.

Officers did a welfare check on a resident who has been receiving medical treatment. The officers spoke to the woman and offered to call rescue personnel to respond, but she refused.

Suspicious Event 19-008001 USAA ATM 527 Maple Avenue, East July 30 7:52 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of two men possibly tampering with the ATM. The men left the area before officers arrived. Officers did not observe any damage to the ATM. USAA was notified and will further inspect the machine.

Police Service 19-008002 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE July 30 8:32 p.m.

A resident reported that he and his family had been away on vacation since July 10. When they arrived home, they found signs that someone had been in their apartment. Multiple items were moved, some items were missing, and kitchen items had been used. A neighbor advised they saw multiple people inside the residence and assumed they were family friends.

It was later determined that the resident's juvenile son gave his key to friends and allowed them to use the apartment while the family was away. Officers counseled the juvenile in regards to providing false information to the police. It was determined that no charges would be placed and the parents will handle the matter.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 19-008005 Starbucks 411 Maple Avenue, East July 30 10:05 p.m.

An employee reported that a disorderly man was refusing to leave the premises. Officers located the man and, upon their interaction with him, detected signs of impairment.

Ofc. Colligan arrested the 47-year-old man with no fixed address. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with being Drunk In Public.

Petit Larceny 19-008006 Giant Food 359 Maple Avenue, East July 30 10:15 p.m.

An employee reported two juveniles took beer from the store and left without paying for it.

Destruction of Property 19-0080014 Cameo Coins 444 Maple Avenue, East July 31 4:20 a.m.

An employee reported that an unknown person damaged the front door during the night.

Police Service 19-008022 600 Block Roberts Drive, NW July 31 5:02 p.m.

A concerned resident reported issues with children riding in vehicles unsafely on her street.

<u>CRASHES</u>

Maple Avenue, East and Center Street, North 19-007825 July 25 8:17 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue attempting to turn left onto Center Street when it was struck by Vehicle-2 which was traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

300 Glyndon Street, NE July 26 10:45 a.m.

Vehicle-1, a Town of Vienna truck, backed into Vehicle-2, a legally parked vehicle, in the parking lot causing minor damage to both vehicles.

CASE UPDATES None.

MEDIA RELEASES



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Reminder

Prevention of Stolen Vehicles/Vehicle Tamperings

With the advent of warmer weather, the Town of Vienna Police Department would like to remind all Town of Vienna residents to secure their vehicles and personal belongings. Recently there have been several vehicle tamperings to include stolen vehicles from Vienna and the neighboring jurisdictions.

The Vienna Police Department would like to remind citizens of the following steps to assist in the prevention of your vehicle being tampered with or stolen:

Lock your Car Doors.

The majority of the vehicles being entered and/or stolen have been unlocked.

Remove all Valuables.

In most cases, the subjects responsible for these acts have been targeting vehicles which contain valuables such as, but not limited to, laptop computers, GPS's, pocketbooks/purses, loose change, cameras, etc. If you must leave valuables in your vehicle, please be sure to conceal the items, in the trunk, under the seats or use any other means to make them undetectable. Also, make sure to record all serial numbers, and if possible, engrave them or permanently mark the items with easily identifiable markings, in the event the items are recovered.

Remove all Keys.

The subjects who commit these crimes are aware that most new vehicles come with valet keys. Most of these keys are kept inside the vehicles, either in the center consoles, or the glove compartments or other areas easily accessible. In some instances the owners have left their keys rings containing their house keys, providing access to their homes.

Report Suspicious Activity

In some cases, the subjects have been observed wearing several layers of clothing, not consistent with the weather conditions. This is used to conceal stolen items and also to make identification difficult as they will shed layers of clothing as they flee the area when they suspect they have been observed committing a crime.

The Town of Vienna Police Department is dedicated to the safety and protection of all persons and property in the Town of Vienna. However, much of our success comes from the assistance of its concerned and observant residents.

**A reminder to secure your vehicles and remove all valuables! **
Even if your vehicle is parked in your driveway, please secure all windows and doors and remove all valuables.



CITIZEN NOTES

Vienna Police Department Construction Project Updates

Updates about the police department construction project will be posted regularly to the "Police Department Renovation" page, located under the Police Department section, at **viennava.gov**, or follow the below link.

** As we move forward with designing and ultimately constructing a new facility, Chief Morris is committed to keeping the Vienna community informed and involved in the process. To begin that effort a link has been established on the police department page of the Town of Vienna website (https://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=1225), and we will be providing regular updates about the process in these Highlights.

Interested in becoming a Vienna police officer?

Consider joining one of the premier law enforcement agencies in Northern Virginia. The Town of Vienna Police Department offers a competitive salary and excellent benefits.

For application information, please call 703-255-6350 or visit: http://agency.governmentjobs.com/vienna/default.cfm

Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

See or Hear Something? Say Something! We *WANT* to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.