

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

September 6, 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

August 29 – September 5, 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)

INCIDENTS

Grand Larceny 19-009239 500 Block Orchard Street, NW Between April 1 at 12:00 p.m. and July 30 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that an unknown person made unauthorized charges to two of her credit accounts.

Assist Fire Department 19-009080 Don Pollo Restaurant 146 Maple Avenue, West August 30 12:12 a.m.

Officers responded to assist the Fire and Rescue Department with a fire alarm. When the firefighters arrived, they observed smoke in the kitchen area of the restaurant. The cause of the smoke was determined, and the restaurant was secured.

Destruction of Property 19-009082 Courthouse Road and Roland Street, SW August 30 2:17 a.m.

A citizen stated they were driving down Nutley Street when someone threw something over a fence in the area of Roland Street, leaving scratches on their vehicle. Officers searched the area and found branches and a large rock in the road. They also observed a tree where it appeared someone ripped branches from it. They did not locate anyone in the area.

Fraud 19-009098

Karin's Florist

527 Maple Avenue, East

Between August 13 at 11:21 a.m. and August 29 at 12:00 p.m.

An employee who handles the payroll received an email from an employee requesting a change in their paycheck deposit to a new account. The changes were made, and two payroll deposits were made in the new account when it was discovered the request was made fraudulently without the employee's consent.

Civil Dispute 19-009103

McDonald's Restaurant

544 Maple Avenue, West

August 30 between 11:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

An employee reported issues with the construction employees at the site adjacent to their building parking in their lot, occupying their customers' spaces.

Suspicious Event 19-009214

600 Block Hine Street, SE

August 30 2:00 p.m.

A resident reported damage to an outer pane glass of a window on his house. The officer was unable to determine if the damage was by accident or a criminal act.

Animal Case - Quarantine 19-009233

600 Block Meadow Lane, SW

August 30 4:00 p.m.

A juvenile was playing at her neighbor's house when she was bitten by the neighbor's dog. ACO Barker advised the dog's owner of the 10-day quarantine procedure.

Destruction of Property 19-009124

700 Block Meadow Lane, SW

August 30 11:05 p.m.

A citizen reported that he was visiting a friend's house when an unknown person damaged his vehicle.

Police Service 19-009131

Vienna Jewelry

131 Maple Avenue, West

August 31 10:00 a.m.

An employee at Vienna Jewelry reported an ongoing issue with customers of Orange Theory Fitness parking in their lot. An officer spoke to an employee at the fitness studio who agreed to warn their staff and customers of the parking issue.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 19-009132

Vienna Police Station

215 Center Street, South

August 31 10:15 a.m.

A woman came to the police station suffering from a mental health issue. An officer spoke to the woman and determined she was not in danger and was able to assist her.

Police Service 19-009133

Hillcrest Drive, SW

August 31 10:53 a.m.

Officers responded to assist a resident with their juvenile daughter, who was upset.

Assist EMS 19-009141

Glen Avenue and Wade Hampton Drive, SW

August 31 5:11 p.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with an intoxicated man who had fallen off his bicycle into a ditch. The man was transported to an area hospital for evaluation.

Suspicious Event 19-009143

Maple Avenue and Courthouse Road, SW

August 31 5:55 p.m.

A citizen reported a man driving recklessly and throwing bottles out of his window. The vehicle was located at Maple Avenue and Center Street. The driver advised he was stopped at a traffic light when the other driver pulled up next to him and began yelling at him and throwing bottles at him. The initial reporting citizen responded to the police station and advised he was at the stoplight where he yelled at the other driver for driving recklessly. The other driver responded by throwing an open bottle of cleaner into his vehicle. The citizen did not wish to pursue charges.

Vehicle Tampering 19-009157

500 Block Yeonas Drive, SW

Between August 31 at 9:00 p.m. and September 1 at 9:00 a.m.

A resident reported that an unknown person threw paint on her vehicle. The resident was able to clean the paint off before notifying the police.

Petit Larceny 19-009200

1000 Block Lynn Street, SW

September 1 between 3:00 a.m. and 3:30 a.m.

A resident reported that a stroller was taken from his carport. The resident reviewed his security cameras and observed a male and a female, who appear to be teenagers, enter the carport and take the stroller.

Suspicious Event 19-009169

Giant Food

359 Maple Avenue, East

September 1 4:40 p.m.

An officer observed a vehicle parked in front of the store with the engine off, the windows up and a teenage juvenile and two younger children in the car. The children did not appear to be in any distress. The father of the children came out of the store and advised he had only run in for a minute to bring his wife a credit card for the groceries. The officer explained the dangers of leaving the children in the vehicle alone with the windows up.

Open Door 19-009179

Peet's Coffee

332 Maple Avenue, East

September 2 4:41 a.m.

Officers responding to a business alarm found an open door. The building was searched, and nothing appeared to be out of place.

Suspicious Event 19-009185

200 Block Park Terrace Court, SE

September 2 9:46 p.m.

A resident reported that his vehicle had been tampered with by an unknown person. An officer examined the vehicle but found no evidence indicating that anyone had done anything to the vehicle.

Suspicious Vehicle 19-009190 100 Block Locust Street, SW September 2 10:10 p.m.

A resident reported a vehicle partially parked blocking the apron of his driveway and on the roadway. A window was left open on the vehicle, the hazard lights were on, and the keys were left on the roof of the vehicle. Officers were unable to locate an owner for the vehicle. The vehicle was towed for safekeeping.

Destruction of Property 19-009216 Windover Avenue and James Madison Drive, NW September 3 between 7:45 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

A resident reported that his son left his vehicle parked on Windover Avenue while he was in school. When his son returned to the vehicle, he found someone had damaged it.

Animal Case 19-009220 600 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW September 3 8:00 p.m.

A resident advised that her roommate owns a dog and that she witnessed the roommate kick the animal earlier in the evening. ACO Barker will follow up on this case.

Open Door 19-009247 300 Block Ayito Road, SE September 4 6:48 p.m.

A resident returned home to find her door was unlocked. Officers searched the house and found nothing appeared to have been disturbed. It was later determined that the door had accidentally been left unlocked by another keyholder to the residence.

CRASHES

100 Block Maple Avenue, East 19-009096

August 30 9:43 a.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound in adjacent lanes approaching a yellow traffic light. Vehicle-1 was in the right lane. Vehicle-2 was in the left lane. Vehicle-1 quickly changed lanes and collided with Vehicle-2.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Improper Lane Change.

CASE UPDATES

Stolen Vehicle 19-009035 Patrick Henry Library 101 Maple Avenue, East

August 28 between 1:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

On August 31 at 2:00 p.m., the stolen vehicle in this case, was located by a Fairfax County Police officer at the Tyson's Galleria. The County officer located the man who had been driving the vehicle and placed him under arrest on charges with their department. Detective Simon and the Fairfax County officer transported the 23-year-old man from Beech Stone Lane in Fairfax, Virginia to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. Detective Simon obtained a warrant for this case charging Grand Larceny of an Auto. The warrant was served on the man, and he was held without bond.

Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information on any of these cases at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov or 703-255-6324.

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

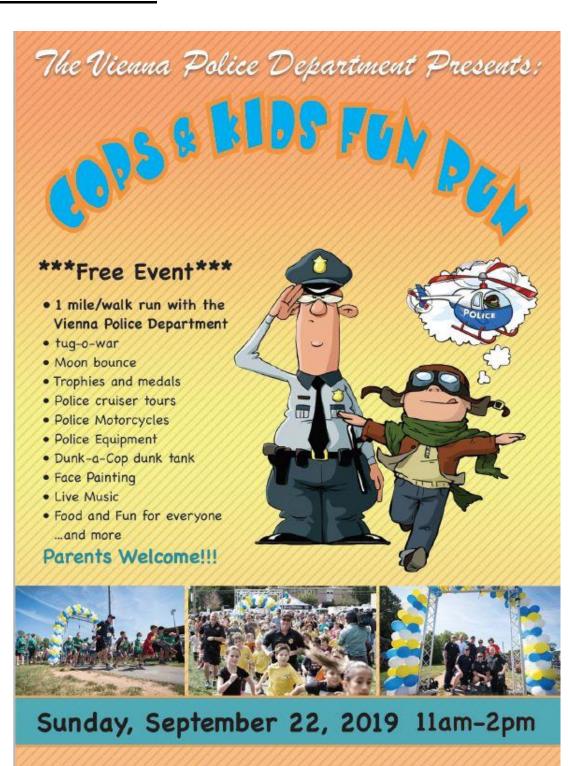
In some cases, the subjects have been observed wearing several layers of clothing, not consistent with the weather conditions. This is used to conceal stolen items and also to make identification difficult as they will shed layers of clothing as they flee the area when they suspect they have been observed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





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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.