



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

January 20, 2012

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from January 13, 2012 – January 19, 2012. 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 MPO Bill Murray for further information at wmurray@viennava.gov)

INCIDENTS

Credit Card Fraud 12-00828

E Street Limo

396 Maple Avenue, East

November 20, 2011

An employee reported that on November 20, 2011 a customer rented a limousine. The credit card payment was processed a day later and was declined. Attempts to contact the customer have been fruitless.

This case is still being investigated.

Vehicle Tampering 12-00659

100 Block Church Street, NW

Between January 12 at 6:01 p.m. and January 13 at 10:15 a.m.

A citizen reported that during the listed times unknown subjects slashed 4 tires on his vehicle.

Domestic Issue 12-00649

300 Block Owaissa Road, SE

January 13 between 8:00 a.m. and 10:20 a.m.

A mother reported that her son had threatened her because she took away his cell phone.

Officer Tracy explained the options available to the mother.

Check Fraud 12-00878

Anita's Restaurant

521 Maple Avenue, East

Between January 13 and January 18, 2012

A business owner reported that he sent two checks to a merchant in Florida. The checks were cashed by an unknown subject using electronic means.

This case is still being investigated.

Fight Call 12-00677

100 Block Park Street, SE

January 13 3:58 p.m.

MPO Seitz was looking for a missing juvenile. During his investigation he located a large group of juveniles behind a shopping center. The kids were watching 2 other juveniles engaged in a fight.

As MPO Seitz approached, the juveniles scattered and ran. He was able to detain one of the combatants. The boy stated that the fight was prearranged and was mutually agreed upon. He further reported that this was part of a "fight club" which involves juveniles fighting at prearranged times.

The boy's father was contacted and MPO Seitz released him to the care of a responsible adult.

Suspicious Event 12-00810

Plum Street at Meadow Lane, SW

January 13 5:02 p.m.

On January 17th a concerned citizen reported that he observed a suspicious male in a car on January 13th. The man was watching young children at play and appeared suspicious.

Suspicious Event 12-00681
900 Block Echols Street, SE
January 13 5:15 p.m.

A concerned bill collector reported that a customer had threatened to shoot himself while conversing over the telephone.

Officer Tracy made contact with the customer and began investigating. His investigation revealed that the customer told the collector that they “were killing him” and that they might as well come shoot him because he can’t pay the bills. There were no actual threats to harm himself.

Arrest-Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor 12-00688
300 Block Beulah Road, NE
January 13 9:18 p.m.

A citizen reported that two vehicles were parked and that several kids inside them were being loud.

PFC Ruddy located the vehicles and then observed several juveniles walking behind a house in the area. Further investigation revealed that numerous juveniles were attending a party at which there were alcoholic beverages.

Additional investigation revealed that there was a 30 year old adult male on the premises and that the adult’s younger siblings were having the party.

The adult, Marcus Galen Mitchell, 30, of Beulah Road in Vienna was issued a summons for Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor. He was released after signing the summons. The parents of the attending juveniles were contacted and responded to retrieve their children.

Missing Person- Adult 12-00745
1000 Block Park Street, SE
January 14 5:30 a.m.

A husband reported that his wife had not come home the prior night.

A short time later the wife contacted their juvenile daughter and reported that she would be home shortly. When the wife did not return as stated, a police report was filed.

Case Update- On January 16th the wife contacted the Vienna Police and advised that she was at work and was fine.

Found Property 12-00718
300 Block Nutley Street, SW
January 14 4:45 p.m.

A citizen reported finding a wallet and its contents under a tree.

Sergeant Juelharte contacted the owner of the wallet and he responded to retrieve it.

Domestic Dispute 12-00720
400 Block Orchard Street, NW
January 14 7:02 p.m.

A citizen reported that his ex-wife was inside his home and he did not want her there.

After some investigation officers were unable to determine if the woman was on the deed to the house or not.

The two were counseled regarding their legal options.

Found Property 12-00741
300 Block Meadow Lane, SW
January 15 8:35 a.m.

A citizen reported finding a handgun underneath a tree.

Officer Tracy located the gun and determined that it was a BB gun. It was collected pending retrieval by its owner.

Arrest- Warrant Service- Fugitive From Justice 12-00744/ 12-0748

200 Block Battle Street, SW

January 15 10:34 a.m.

A police department in New Jersey asked that Vienna officers check on the welfare of an individual believed to be staying in town. The individual had made threats to harm himself.

Officers made contact with the adult male and he appeared to be in good physical health. The man agreed to go to a medical facility for evaluation and potential care.

While at the medical facility officers received word that an outstanding warrant was on file in New Jersey for the individual. The warrant charged the subject with violating a restraining order and stated that New Jersey would extradite him if arrested.

Officer Tracy secured a warrant of arrest for Fugitive from Justice and at approximately 3:00 p.m. 44 year old Anthony J. Smith of West Pine Avenue in North Millwood, New Jersey was placed under arrest and transported back to Vienna Police Headquarters. While there he began to complain of chest pains and stated that he had ingested a large amount of medication prior to his police encounter.

Fairfax County EMS responded and transported Mr. Smith to an area hospital. The arrest warrant was served on him at the hospital as well as a commitment order.

Trespassing 12-00746

Palm Beach Tan

105 Center Street, North

January 15 7:20 p.m.

An employee reported that a customer came back after using a tanning bed and reported that it didn't work correctly. He then wanted a discount on subsequent tans.

The customer then left the store for a brief period, then returned and made some inappropriate statements to the employee and some customers.

PFC Ruddy investigated and told the customer to leave. He was then banned from the store.

Domestic Dispute 12-00753

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

January 15 11:58 p.m.

A citizen reported that her husband was accusing her of cheating on him. The two argued and then the husband left. There was no violation of law reported.

Vandalism 12-00757

1000 Block Park Street, SE

January 16 8:40 a.m.

A citizen reported that her husband called her at work and threatened to damage her vehicle.

Officers responded to the complainant's home and found that her windshield had been severely damaged.

Further investigation revealed that the husband had damaged the windshield. It was also learned that he had actually purchased the car and his wife drove it.

Both parties were counseled regarding the event and no violation of law was reported.

Suspicious Event 12-00785

7-11 Store

427 Maple Avenue, East

January 16 2:30 p.m.

A woman reported that her 16 year old sister and she were eating at Chipotle. During their meal 3 Hispanic males began smiling at the younger sister and made her feel uncomfortable.

The sisters then drove to another store and the trio followed them.

The women then drove to a 7-11 store and the men continued to follow. The men made gestures in an attempt to tell the young girl how beautiful she was and that they wanted her to call them. One of the men exited their vehicle and walked up to the younger sister's window and began tapping on it. The older sister yelled at the man and called police.

After calling the police the subjects left the area in a construction truck. The truck had "KCI General Contractors" on the door and several ladders on the top of it.

This case is still being investigated.

Domestic Dispute 12-00781

300 Block Owaissa Road, SE

January 16 3:43 p.m.

A father reported that after having an argument with his daughter she threatened to harm herself.

After and officer spoke with all parties the father transported the daughter to an area medical facility for evaluation.

Police Service 12-00786

300 Block Owaissa Road, SE

January 16 8:23 p.m.

A citizen reported that his ex-wife was enroute to his house to pick up their daughter. The wife was angry and the father requested a police presence during the meeting.

Police responded and the meeting took place without incident.

Arrest- Possession of Marijuana 12-00788

Church Street at Mill Street, NE

January 16 11:47 p.m.

Sergeant Taylor conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the vehicle's driver he detected the presence of suspected marijuana.

Further investigation yielded the marijuana.

The driver, David Paul Oster, 19, of Center Street in Vienna was issued a summons for Possession of Marijuana. He was released after signing the summons.

Arrest- Reckless Driving 12- 00790

200 Block Maple Avenue, SE

January 17 3:10 a.m.

Sergeant Taylor heard what sounded like a vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed during the early morning hours. He soon observed a vehicle on Maple Avenue travelling well above the posted speed limit of 30 miles per hour.

After verifying the vehicle's speed at 95 miles per hour he conducted a traffic stop. The driver, 36 year old Nawaf Alnuwaif of Montrose Avenue in Rockville, Maryland was issued a summons for Reckless Driving. He was released after signing the summons.

Suspicious Event 12-00795

1100 Block Glyndon Street, SE

January 17 5:31 a.m.

A citizen that rents a room in a home reported that another renter was banging on her door and using profanity.

Officer Vazquez spoke with all involved parties and counseled them regarding their behavior.

Medical Call 12-00852
The Women's Center
133 Park Street, NE
January 17 6:46 p.m.

A concerned citizen reported that a woman was making statements about harming herself.

Officer Lyons spoke with the woman and determined that she was not in need of services. She returned to her home without incident.

Arrest- Noise Violation 12-00867
400 Block Pine Street, SE
January 18 6:00 a.m.

Officer Vazquez observed a trash collection vehicle servicing a dumpster in violation of the Town of Vienna noise ordinance.

After a brief investigation 65 year old Roger Lee Dasher of Flag Rock Drive in Remington, Virginia was issued a summons for the violation. He was released after signing it.

Stolen Vehicle Report 12-00895
100 Block Berry Street, SE
January 18 2:17 p.m.

A citizen reported that her vehicle had been stolen from her driveway.

A short time later MPO Sheeran located the vehicle at a 7-11 store in the 400 block of Maple Avenue, East.

Further investigation revealed that the complainant had driven the vehicle to the 7-11 store in the morning. After shopping there she exited and walked home; forgetting that she had driven to the store and not walked.

Juvenile Case 12-00889
Vienna Elementary School
128 Center Street, South
January 18 12:43 p.m.

An employee reported that a young boy had not returned from recess.

Officers and school staff began searching for the boy. He was located a short distance away by MPO Oliver. He was then returned to the school and found to be unharmed.

Open Door 12-00890
300 Block Moore Avenue, SE
January 18 12:46 p.m.

While searching for a missing juvenile MPO Sheeran discovered an unsecured door at his home. An interior search yielded nothing unusual and the boy was not located inside the home. He was, however, located a short time later by another officer.

Commercial Alarm 12-00893
Maple Avenue Dentist
301 Maple Avenue, West
January 18 1:34 p.m.

Officer Tracy responded for a commercial intrusion alarm. Upon his arrival he discovered an unsecured door.

An interior search of the office yielded nothing unusual. An employee responded to reset the alarm and lock the door.

Suspicious Event 12-00898
600 Block Maple Avenue, West
January 18 3:30 p.m.

A citizen reported that while driving along Maple Avenue a man driving an SUV pulled alongside her and told her she was driving too fast. The complainant gestured back towards the man.

A short time later as the two vehicles came to a stop the man in the SUV approached the woman's window, banged on it, and made a disparaging remark about her.

Arrest- Warrant Service- Shoplifting 12-00901
Vienna Police Headquarters
215 Center Street, South
January 18 4:38 p.m.

Sergeant Juelharte attempted to serve a warrant from Fairfax County on an individual at an area business. She was unsuccessful but contacted the individual named on the warrant.

A short time later 40 year old Kevin Kaminski of Clares Court in Fairfax, Virginia responded to Vienna Police Headquarters and took service of the warrant. The warrant (a releasable summons) charged Mr. Kaminski with Shoplifting. He signed the summons and was released.

Death Case 12-00904
1300 Block Ross Drive, SW
January 18 6:10 p.m.

A relative returned home and discovered that his brother had passed away. There did not appear to be any signs of foul play.

A detective will follow up on this case.

Suspicious Event 12-00937
500 Block Yeonas Drive, SW
January 18 9:15 p.m.

A citizen reported that a telephone solicitor from a club called "Great Fun!" called her and wanted her to join the club. She declined. A short time later the same individual called stating he would enroll her and already had her credit card information.

The woman contacted her bank to ensure that this was not true and took the necessary precautions to protect her account.

CRASHES

300 Block Maple Avenue, West 12-00376
Hit and Run
January 7 6:13 p.m.

As one vehicle was waiting to pull on to Maple Avenue from a parking lot, it backed into a second vehicle. The driver and striking vehicle then fled from the scene.

Parking Lot of 325 Maple Avenue, East 12-00437
January 9 11:10 a.m.

A legally parked vehicle was struck by a vehicle that was pulling into a parking space.

300 Block Locust Street near Charles Street, SE 12-00498
January 10 7:36 p.m.

A legally parked vehicle on Locust Street was struck by a westbound vehicle. It is believed that the driver became distracted by his GPS unit.

The driver of the striking vehicle was charged with Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

Nutley Street at Orchard Street, NW 12-00575

January 12 8:58 a.m.

Two perpendicular vehicles were stopped at a 4 way stop sign. Both vehicles began moving through the intersection at the same time and collided.

The driver without the right of way (the one to the left of the other driver) was charged with Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

1000 Block Country Club Drive near Manor Drive, NE 12-00634

January 13 2:05 a.m.

A vehicle was travelling along westbound Country Club Drive. The driver looked away from the roadway to retrieve a cell phone and struck a legally parked vehicle.

The driver of the striking vehicle was charged with Reckless Driving.

400 Block Maple Avenue near Nutley Street, SW 12-00808

January 17 10:06 a.m.

One vehicle was travelling along eastbound Maple Avenue. Another vehicle was travelling along westbound Maple Avenue and turned left in front of the first vehicle. The two vehicles collided.

The driver of the turning vehicle was charged with Failure to Yield the Right of Way.

MEDIA RELEASES

None.

CASE UPDATES

From the January 13, 2011 Vienna Police Highlights:

Domestic Disturbance/ Discharge of a Firearm 12-00449

1400 Block Cottage Street, SW

January 9 8:14 p.m.

On January 9th at approximately 8:14 p.m. officers from the Town of Vienna Police Department responded for a domestic disturbance. A woman reported that her adult brother discharged a handgun inside the residence in the 1400 block of Cottage Street, SW.

Investigation revealed that the subject was threatening to harm himself with the weapon and it discharged accidentally.

The woman and another brother safely exited the home and officers confronted the suspect in the front yard. The suspect disregarded officer's commands and ran back into the home. Officers pursued him into the home and detained him.

The suspect was eventually transported to an area medical facility for evaluation and treatment. The case remains under investigation.

Case Update- Arrest- Discharge a Firearm Inside an Occupied Dwelling

January 13 10:27 p.m.

Subsequent to the investigation of the disturbance officers obtained an arrest warrant for Juan Carlos Gutierrez, 34, of Cottage Street in Vienna. The charge on the warrant was Discharge a Firearm Inside an Occupied Building.

On January 13th Mr. Gutierrez reported to Vienna Police Headquarters. He was then arrested and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

OF INTEREST/ CITIZEN NOTES

NOTE- Citizens are urged to please remove all valuables from an unattended vehicle and most importantly, lock the vehicle doors.

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Please contact MPO Bill Murray for further information on any of these cases at
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