



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

February 27, 2015

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from February 20, 2015 – February 26, 2015. 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 Gary Lose for further information at Gary.Lose@Viennava.gov)

Vienna Seniors Expo

Saturday, March 14, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.
Vienna Community Center
120 Cherry Street, SE
Vienna, VA 22180

The Vienna Police Department will be hosting a Vienna Seniors Expo. The three hour event will include a presentation by Investigator Tom Polhemus of the Fairfax County Police Department. Inv. Polhemus will be presenting an informative message dealing with Financial Crimes and Scams currently on the rise in the area.

Also on hand will be representatives from various Fairfax County Agencies, such as Adult Protective Services, the Adult Day Health Care, Fairfax County Family Caregiver Support, Transportation Services, Medicare, Medicaid and Insurance, and Meals on Wheels to name just a few.

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INCIDENTS

Suspicious Event 15-001927

**Vienna Park Apartments, Leasing Office
212 Cedar Lane, SE**

Between January 31 at 12:00 a.m. and February 20 at 3:44 p.m.

An employee reported that while reviewing tenant surveys he came across one with extremely low ratings and comments that seemed threatening.

PFC Lyons contacted the tenant who had submitted the survey. The former tenant stated he was angry and intoxicated when he sent the survey and apologized for being over dramatic.

PFC Lyons informed the former tenant he was no longer permitted on the Vienna Park Apartments property.

Grand Larceny 15-002102

1100 Block Westbriar Drive, NE

Between February 01 at 6:00 a.m. and February 05 at 12:00 p.m.

The owner of a residence reported that after evicting a tenant from his property he discovered that a pool table and lamp had gone missing.

This case is being investigated.

Lost Property 15-002075

1000 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW

Between February 03 at 5:00 p.m. and February 23 at 11:00 a.m.

A resident reported he had lost his California Driver's License.

Found Property 15-001968

200 Block Owaissa Court, SE

Between February 14 at 12:00 p.m. and February 21 at 10:19 a.m.

A resident responded to the Vienna Police Station to turn in a set of keys he had found near his home.

The keys will be held at the station until the owner can be identified.

Grand Larceny 15-001976

400 Block Branch Road, SE

Between February 17 at 12:00 p.m. and February 19 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported someone had entered his unlocked garage and a pellet gun had been taken.

Civil Case 15-001868
400 Maple Avenue, West
February 19 1:27 p.m.

The owner of a business responded to the Vienna Police Station to report an ongoing problem with a neighboring business owner. He stated the neighboring business was informing their employees to park in his parking lot.

Officer Herrera spoke with both business owner and informed them this was a civil matter.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 15-001893
Lawyers Road at Upham Place, NW
February 19 11:41 p.m.

Officer Slebonick was on patrol when he observed the driver of a vehicle commit a series of traffic violations. As a result of those violations he conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the signs of possible impairment.

After failing to complete a series of field sobriety tests the 26 year old man from Herndon, Virginia was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated.

The driver was transported to the Vienna Police Station where he was given the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for analysis. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and held on a \$1,000.00 bond.

Arrest – Warrant Service 15-001929
1000 Block Fairway Drive, NE
February 20 4:58 p.m.

MPO Seitz was working a traffic assignment when he observed the driver of a vehicle commit a traffic offense. As a result of the offense he conducted a traffic stop. After speaking with the driver he determined a warrant had been issued for the driver for Failure to Pay Child Support from the Prince William County Police Department.

MPO Seitz arrested the 32 year old man from Vienna for the Failure to Pay Child Support Warrant. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the warrant was served. He was then released on a \$5,000.00 unsecured bond.

Animal Case – Quarantine 15-002074
300 Block John Marshall Drive, NE
February 21 7:00 p.m.

ACO Barker received a report from the Health Department reporting that a residents' son had been reaching for the family dog's bone and was bitten on the hand.

ACO Barker informed the owner of the quarantine process.

Domestic Dispute 15-001990

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

February 22 6:16 a.m.

A resident reported that he and his girlfriend had been involved in a heated argument when she refused to leave the apartment so he could sleep. The argument had not turned physical.

Arrest – Alcohol Violation 15-001999

1100 Block Westbriar Court, NE

February 22 3:43 p.m.

MPO Shaver responded to the area for the report of a suspicious vehicle occupied by three individuals. Upon his interaction with the driver and the occupants he detected the distinct odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle. After speaking with the driver and the passengers he located a bottle of Bacardi Limon Rum and a measurable amount of marijuana.

The 18 year old driver from Springfield, Virginia was issued a summons for Underage Possession of Alcohol and released. Both juveniles, one who was in possession of marijuana, were transported to the Vienna Police Station and released to their parents.

This case is being investigated.

Domestic Dispute 15-002056

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

February 24 12:12 a.m.

A resident reported her estranged husband showed up at the apartment and the two became involved in a heated argument.

Officer Digan responded and determined the argument had not turned physical.

Suspicious Event 15-002065

Locust Street, SE

February 24 7:51 a.m.

A resident reported a man came to her door and claimed to be conducting a government investigation and requested information about a neighbor. The resident informed the man she did not know the person he was asking about and requested he show her his credentials.

The man showed her a piece of paper with a badge printed on it. The resident closed her door and the man left the area in a white sedan.

Suspicious Event 15-002096
500 Block Stephen Circle, SW
February 24 9:15 a.m.

A resident reported she received a telephone message from an individual claiming to be "Officer John White" with the Internal Revenue Investigations. The caller stated there was a warrant for the resident's arrest.

The resident telephoned her husband and informed him of the message. The husband called the number and after refusing to provide his personal information the caller hung up.

PFC Vazquez informed the resident the call was a scam.

Animal Case – Quarantine 15-002145
600 Block Bruton Place, NW
February 24 12:00 p.m.

ACO Barker received a report from the Health Department reporting that a resident had been bitten on the hands by Max, the dog. Max is normally walked by the residents' wife however on this occasion she asked her husband to walk Max for her.

ACO Barker informed the Max's owner of the quarantine process.

Trespassing 15-002183
500 Block Plum Street, SW
Between February 24 at 12:00 p.m. and February 26 at 11:08 a.m.

The owner of a property that is due to be razed returned to his property and found an open door.

PFC Lyons responded and after checking the inside of the house he determined nothing appeared to be out of place.

The owner requested extra patrols in the area as he is concerned someone may enter the house and become injured.

Domestic Dispute 15-002100
200 Block Park Terrace Court, SE
February 24 4:00 p.m.

A resident reported that she and her daughter had been involved in a heated argument.

MPO Shaw responded and spoke with both the mother and daughter who stated the argument had not turned physical. The daughter agreed to leave at her mother's request.

Arrest – Narcotics Violation 15-002101

100 Block Maple Avenue, West

February 24 4:30 p.m.

MPO Nelson responded to the area after a caller telephoned the Vienna Police to report he was being followed by another vehicle and the driver had threatened him. After locating both vehicles and speaking with the drivers MPO Nelson determined the original incident had occurred outside the Town of Vienna. He also located a measurable amount of marijuana in the vehicle belonging to the driver who had reported the incident.

The driver, an 18 year old man from Falls Church, Virginia was released after signing his summons for Possession of Marijuana.

Petit Larceny 15-002142

200 Block Courthouse Circle, SW

February 25 9:30 a.m.

A resident reported a white male driving a black SUV had pulled up to his mailbox and took an envelope containing a check. The resident was unable to provide any further description of the vehicle or the individual who had taken the envelope.

Suspicious Event 15-002150

Patrick Henry Library

101 Maple Avenue, East

February 25 12:00 p.m.

A citizen reported she had been walking through the parking lot when the driver of a Chrysler PT Cruiser drove passed her and yelled a racial slur.

The citizen wanted to make the police aware of the situation and then left the police station.

Suspicious Event 15-002166

300 Block Park Street, NE

February 25 5:45 p.m.

A resident reported that while she was walking home the driver of a small silver 4 door pulled next to her and parked. She stated the driver exited the vehicle and beckoned for her over the roof of the vehicle.

The resident stated the driver did not say anything and then she ran home. The driver was described as an older white male with gray and white hair. He was wearing a black jacket with a gray shirt and nice pants.

MPO Sheeran determined that although the driver's actions were suspicious there had been no violation of law.

Animal Case 15-002186

Peterson Lane Park

575 Malcolm Road, NW

February 26 1:00 p.m.

ACO Barker responded to the park for the report of a female Black and White Border Collie running at large.

ACO Barker was able to capture the dog after which he determined it had no identification to determine the owner.

The dog was transported to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter where she will be held until her owner is identified.

CRASHES

300 Block Mill Street, NE 15-001925

February 19 11:30 p.m.

The owner of a legally parked vehicle discovered his vehicle had been struck by an unknown vehicle.

Maple Avenue near Center Street, West 15-001911

February 20 8:17 a.m.

The drivers of two vehicles were traveling east bound on Maple Avenue and stopped at the red light at the intersection with Center Street.

The driver of the second vehicle stated his foot came off the brake causing his vehicle to roll forward and struck the first vehicle.

Maple Avenue near Center Street, West 15-001972

February 21 11:00 a.m.

The drivers of two vehicles were traveling west bound on Maple Avenue and stopped for the red traffic signal at Center Street, in adjacent lanes.

The driver of one of the vehicles opened her driver's door to get the attention of the snow plow driver in the lane adjacent to her vehicle. As the light turned green the snow plow driver, who had not seen the driver open her door, pulled forward and struck her door with the plow blade.

Center Street at Cherry Street, South 15-001973

February 21 11:17 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling south bound on Center Street, South.

The driver of the second vehicle failed to observe the first vehicle in the intersection, due to snow on his windshield, and collided with the first vehicle.

Maple Avenue near Pleasant Street, NW 15-001998

February 22 11:52 a.m.

The driver of a vehicle was attempting to back out of a parking lot and struck a second vehicle that was attempting to enter into the parking lot.

100 Block Center Street, South 15-002053

February 23 7:55 p.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was entering a parking lot when she was struck by a tow truck. The driver of the tow truck did not stop to exchange information.

Maple Avenue at East Street, East 15-002138

February 25 8:08 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling west bound on Maple Avenue and entered into the left turn lane in an attempt to turn left onto East Street, SE. The driver stated that as the traffic signal cycled to red she attempted to clear the intersection and was struck by an east bound vehicle that disregarded the red traffic signal.

The driver of the east bound vehicle did not stop to exchange information.

CASE UPDATES

None.

MEDIA RELEASES

None.

CITIZEN NOTES

TAX SEASON SCAM

Note to Citizens – *During this time of year, Tax Season, many residents report receiving calls from individuals claiming to be employees of the IRS. The callers claim the resident has either committed tax fraud or had improperly filed previous tax returns. The caller informs the resident to send a Western Union payment or purchase a prepaid debit card, for payment, or the resident will be arrested. This type of call is a scam. **Never send a payment unless you have verified the validity of the caller.***

Note to Citizens: *Please remove all valuables from an unattended vehicle and most importantly, lock the vehicle doors.*

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, 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.**

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