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Department of Public Safety

Weekly Public Safety Activity Summary
February 10th- 16th 2013

Crime Map for the Week of February 10th - 16th 2013



COMMUNITY EVENTS – INFORMATION

Community Alert: Home Invasions - Open Garage and Patio Doors - Unlocked Vehicles to Access Garage Door Openers

On February 16th 2013, Pittsfield Township Police responded to three home invasions. These incidents occurred through open garage doors and unlocked vehicles where garage door openers are kept and then used to gain access to the house. All of the reported incidents are believed to have occurred between 11pm-4am in the morning. Items stolen were Smartphone's, tablets, laptop computers, purses, and wallets. Residents are encouraged to double check garage doors to make sure they are closed. Keep service doors to your home locked and keep vehicles locked that have a garage door opener inside. It is also a good idea to record serial numbers of Smartphone's, laptops, and tablets. Keep numbers in a safe place to provide to law enforcement if those items are stolen from your home. There are apps for tracking lost or stolen cell phones provided by Apple, and other Smartphone providers. These incidents are occurring throughout Washtenaw County. Click on the garage image below for home safety tips.



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Business Watch Meeting:

When: February 28th 2013, from 12 noon to 1p.m

Where: 6201 West Michigan Avenue in Morris Hall.

Details: The Pittsfield Township Department of Public Safety would like to invite members of our business community to a meeting designed to provide information regarding our departmental services. Information will be provided on police and fire, police and fire crime trends, and responding to emergencies. There will also be information on utilizing CrimeMapping, Nixle (text and email) alerts, and security surveys.

For more information, please call or email:

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Facebook: Website Hacked Into January 2013

Facebook was the recent victim of a sophisticated cyber-attack discovered in January 2013. In this incident, a virus or malware was installed on employee's laptops. In a blog entry posted by Facebook Security on Feb. 15, 2013, the company said it found no evidence that Facebook user data had been compromised. For tips on protecting your personal data on social media sites click on the image below to watch an ABC News special regarding this topic.



WEEKLY FIRE REPORT

Total Calls for Service year to date: **336**

Significant Fire Events:

Type of Incident: Structure Fire

Complaint#: 13-305

Information: On February 12th 2013, at 10am the Pittsfield Township Fire Department was dispatched to a structure fire in the 2800 block of Gross Road. Fire crews arrived to find a duplex with smoke and flames coming from the windows.

Fire fighters extinguished the fire and overhauled the building. There were no injuries. Fire investigators determined the cause of the fire to be electrical in nature. A damage estimate was not available.

WEEKLY CRIME SUMMARY

Significant Police Events:

Total Calls for Service for the week: **256**

Total Calls for Service Year to date: **1,802**

Type of Incident: Stolen Vehicle / Felonious Assault

Complaint # 12-1598

Information: On February 11th 2013, at 1:26pm Pittsfield Township Police responded to the Belle Tire store located in the 3200 block of Carpenter Road for a report of a stolen vehicle and a felonious assault. A female stole the keys from the counter, ran from the store, and got into a 2007 Ford Focus driving it away. The owner of the vehicle attempted to stop the female but was unsuccessful and received minor injuries. The suspect has been identified, as the victim knew her. The Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department recovered the vehicle a short time later. Charges are pending.

Type of Incident: Home Invasion

Complaint # 13-1644

Information: On February 12th 2013, at 3pm Pittsfield Township Police responded to the 2700 block of Morgan Road. The homeowner reported his front door had been kicked in. A television and Kindle tablet were stolen from his home sometime between 7:45am and 2:45pm.

Type of Incident: Larceny

Complaint# 13-1652

Information: On February 12th 2013, at 7:46pm Pittsfield Township Police responded to the 4200 block of Cloverlane Drive for a report of a larceny of a UPS package from the porch. An unknown female who did not reside at the address signed for the package. The incident occurred sometime between 12noon and 7:46pm.

Type of Incident: Assault with Intent to Commit Murder, Flee and Elude Police

Complaint#: 13-1710

Information: On February 14th 2013, at 1:38pm Pittsfield Police responded to 6190 West Michigan Avenue (Burger King Restaurant) to investigate a pair of disorderly subjects at the drive-thru window. Upon arrival, officers located two male subjects inside a 2003 Ford Taurus at the drive-thru lane and noticed the subjects were causing a disturbance with employees. Initial investigation by the officers revealed the driver was possibly intoxicated. The officers attempted to have the driver park the Taurus vehicle. The driver disobeyed several orders. As officers continued to attempt to have the driver pull over, he accelerated at a high rate of speed and struck an officer before exiting the parking lot. The officer was knocked to the ground and sustained minor injuries. As the suspect vehicle exited the parking lot and headed westbound

on Michigan Avenue, officers initiated a vehicle pursuit, which ended a short distance later at Michigan Avenue and Sauk Trail Drive. The driver resisted arrest and was taken into custody. The incident remains under investigation. At this time, a passenger in the vehicle will not be charged.

Injuries: Injuries, non-life threatening

Arrested: One person arrested

Further Investigation: Charges pending involving 40-year old Ypsilanti resident

Type of Incident: Home Invasion

Complaint# 13-1774

Information: On February 16th 2013, at 3:14am Pittsfield Township Police responded to the 3900 block of Highlander Way West to a report of a home invasion. The homeowner reported that someone had gained access to an unlocked vehicle and used the garage door opener to gain access to their home through an open service door. The resident reported that an Apple iPhone, two purses, and a Nikon camera had been stolen from the home.

Type of Incident: Home Invasion

Complaint #13-1781

Information: On February 16th 2013, at 8:11am Pittsfield Township Police responded to the 3900 block of Highlander Way West to a report of a home invasion. The incident occurred through an open garage door between 11pm and 6:45am. The suspect gained entry to the home through the garage then through the service door. A wallet, cell phone, and medications were taken.

Type of Incident: Home Invasion

Complaint # 13-1782

Information: On February 16th 2013, at 8:37am Pittsfield Township Police responded to the 3000 block of Appleridge Drive to a report of a home invasion that occurred at 3:30am. The homeowner reported that her dog was barking and woke her up. She discovered the garage door was opened and a laptop, tote bag with her purse in it, cell phone, work keys, a back pack with school supplies, and a digital camera had been stolen.

Type of Incident: Larceny from a vehicle

Complaint# 13-1783

Information: On February 16th 2013, at 9:25am Pittsfield Township Police responded to the 5000 block of West Michigan Avenue for a report of a larceny of copper and tools from two work trucks. Locks were cut from the doors and the items stolen. The property was valued at \$1,900.00.

The above named incidents remain under investigation. If anyone has been a witness to any of these crimes, please contact the Pittsfield Township Department of Public Safety at 734-822-4911 or the confidential tip line at 734- 822-4958.