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Weekly Public Safety Activity Summary
October 14th – 20th, 2012

Crime Map for the week of Oct. 13th - 20th, 2012



COMMUNITY EVENTS – INFORMATION

Regional Neighborhood Watch Meeting:

Residents will have the opportunity to meet with Public Safety Director Matt Harshberger along with police and fire staff regarding discussions on crime and fire trends in residential areas. Residents will also receive tips on how to prevent crimes of opportunity. An overview of Pittsfield's police and fire "Lock Down / Fire Drills" for our local schools will be provided for parents. Information will also be provided on how Crime Mapping and Nixle's text and email alerts have enhanced the Neighborhood Watch program's effectiveness.

October 23rd 2012: 6:30-7:30pm, Harvest Elementary School at 1155 Campus Parkway Drive.

Please pass this information on to your neighbors.

The Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA): What Parents Should Know

Congress and the FTC have taken special steps to assure that children under 13 years of age don't share their personal information on the Internet without the express approval of their parents. Congress passed the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act in 1998 and the FTC wrote a rule implementing the law. The FTC has taken law enforcement actions against companies that failed to comply with the provisions of the law and has issued a report to Congress assessing how companies have complied with it. The FTC charged that the website operator, Artist Arena, violated COPPA and the FTC's COPPA Rule, which require that website operators notify parents and obtain their consent before they collect, use or disclose personal information from children under 13. The settlement will impose a \$1 million civil penalty on Artist Arena, bar future violations of the Rule, and require that Artist Arena delete information collected in violation of the rule. Click on the image below for tips.



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WEEKLY FIRE REPORT

Total Call for Service – Year To Date: **2,136**

Significant Fire Events:

Fire Prevention Week: Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Although the popularity of carbon monoxide (CO) alarms has been growing in recent years, it cannot be assumed that everyone is familiar with the hazards of carbon monoxide poisoning in the home.

Often called the silent killer, carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel are potential sources of carbon monoxide. Vehicles or generators running in an attached garage can also produce dangerous levels of carbon monoxide. Click on the image below for more details.



WEEKLY CRIME SUMMARY

Total Calls for Service for the week: **237**

Total Calls for Service year to date: **11,843**

Significant Police Events:

Type of Incident: Armed Robbery

Location: 2411 Carpenter Rd. (Bob Evans)

Complaint # 12-11767

Information: On October 19th 2012, at 1:19am Pittsfield Township Police Officers were dispatched to the Comfort Inn on Carpenter Rd. for a report of a man with a knife. Officers arrived on scene and discovered that a man had been robbed in the Bob Evans parking lot across the street. The victim, a 20 year old Howell male, reported that one of the three suspects used a knife to rob him. A witness observed the suspects running into the Comfort Inn and that one of them had a knife. Further investigation revealed that the suspects entered a room in the Days Inn motel which is located on the same property as the Comfort Inn. Officers responded to the room and three suspects were apprehended.

Narcotics were found in the room with the suspects and they were confiscated along with the knife used in the robbery. The suspects were lodged at the Washtenaw County Jail pending review of charges by the Washtenaw County Prosecutors Office.

Injuries: None

Arrested: 28 year old Harrison Twp. Michigan male

26 year old Harrison Twp. Michigan male

33 year old Marine City Michigan male

Further Information: Pittsfield Detective Bureau