



The Reston Reliance



Reston District Station

“Providing Our Community a Solid Foundation Through Excellence”

April 2008

SAFE COMMUNITY FORUM

The Reston District Station of the Fairfax County Police Department is hosting a Safe Community Forum for residents to share their views and offer their input to the Fairfax County Police Department. This forum will be held on Wednesday, May 7th from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Reston Community Center, Lake Anne Village Center, 1609-A Washington Plaza, Reston.

Fairfax County Police Participate in Statewide Enforcement Blitz to Save Lives on Virginia’s Roadways

Beginning on Sunday, March 16, the Fairfax County Police Department began a crackdown on motorists not wearing their seat belts with a special “Click It or Ticket” enforcement mobilization in an effort to save more lives on Virginia’s roadways.

The FCPD officers were out in force with other state and local law enforcement agencies looking for motorists who were not buckled up. Special stepped-up enforcement activities were conducted from Sunday, March 16 through Sunday, March 23.



Too often people believe that fatal crashes will never happen to them; but they can and do happen every day. That’s why the Fairfax County Police Department increased enforcement this March to ensure that *all* passengers, in all vehicles, are always buckled up.

Regular use of seat belts clearly saves lives. When lap/shoulder belts are worn correctly, seat belts have proven to reduce the risk of fatal injury to passenger car occupants.

Results of DWI Enforcement Campaign in the Reston Police District

As a result of a special initiative, 10 arrests were made for Driving While Intoxicated and 57 summonses were issued for miscellaneous traffic offenses.

Officers from the Reston District Station conducted the educational and enforcement campaign aimed at reducing the number of alcohol-related motor vehicle crashes in their district. This campaign took place from Friday, March 15, through Saturday, March 22. The educational portion of the campaign included illuminated sign boards and posters strategically placed throughout the district.

The Fairfax County Police Department takes the issue of drinking and driving very seriously. We encourage everyone who intends to consume alcohol and get into a vehicle, to make use of a designated driver.



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Police Investigate Homicide in Vienna Area

Police responded to a report of a domestic dispute at approximately 2 a.m. Monday, March 3 in the 1400 block of Crowell Road. Upon arrival, officers discovered the body of Ronald K. Giguere, 60 at the home. He had been shot in the upper body.

Police have arrested the victim's wife Marysusan Giguere, 52 of Crowell Road. She was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and has been charged with murder.

Bank Robber Arrested After Pursuit in Great Falls

A man robbed the BB&T Bank located at 9915 Georgetown Pike on Tuesday, March 11, at 4:27 p.m.. As he left the bank, witnesses provided a description of the individual and his vehicle.

Alert officers responding to the bank spotted the vehicle and attempted to stop it. The driver would not stop and led pursuing officers through the immediate area until the officers boxed in his vehicle at Leesburg Pike and Downey Drive.

Charles Terrence Hoye, 55, of Bethesda, Maryland was arrested. He was charged with robbery, possession of a firearm by a felon, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, speed to elude, larceny and two counts of possession of narcotics. No one was injured during the robbery or the pursuit.

On Monday, March 17, at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, detectives closed another robbery case when Hoye was charged with the robbery of a bank in Chantilly on March 6.

Police Investigate Gang Activity; Nine Arrested

After a closely coordinated effort amongst school resource officers, the gang unit, and several astute patrol officers assigned to the Franconia District station, police have charged nine men with various gang-related activities that took place over the past three months.

Following a December 1, 2007, homicide at a Springfield Mall restaurant, graffiti was sprayed across the campus buildings of Lee High School between December 2 and 5. The writings were immediately identified as gang-related and an investigation began. The following men were charged with felony destruction of property and gang participation: Tarim Najmi, 28, of Springfield; Harold Guanilo, 21, of Alexandria; Carlos Perea, 22, of Arlington; and a 17-year-old from Arlington. They were charged between February 21 and March 14, 2008.



In January 2008, two students used markers to

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Cash Rewards for information leading to the arrest of criminals.

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1. Contact the Crime Prevention Office at (703) 478-0799.
2. Join the mailing list by contacting MPO Chip Cogan at Harry.Cogan@Fairfaxcounty.gov.
3. Sign up at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/newsletter to receive notifications to download current newsletters.

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scribble gang-related graffiti in a boys' bathroom of Mark Twain Middle School. These writings were identified as affiliated with criminal gang activity taking place across the region. Police arrested two boys, ages 12 and 13, and charged them with destruction of a public building.

As a result of this investigation, police were able to develop information surrounding additional gang activity in the community. Police charged three boys, two 13-year-olds and a 14-year-old, with gang participation and recruiting gang members during the week of March 10. The alleged recruitment took place at the middle school.

The Fairfax County Police Department trains school staff and faculty on gang recognition. Once gang activity is recognized, officials move quickly to eradicate it. There is a zero tolerance policy in Fairfax County for these activities. Residents are urged to take quick action and contact police officials when they see graffiti appear.

Around the County

Cars Seized After Street Racing

Fairfax County Police impounded two cars on Tuesday, February 26 after the 18-year-old Fairfax drivers were charged with street racing. An officer witnessed a 2003 Volkswagen GTI and a 1987 Toyota Supra stopped at the light on Burke Centre Parkway at Roberts Parkway, each driver was allegedly revving the engines and spinning the tires. The light turned green around 10:15 p.m. and both drivers sped



off at a high rate of speed.

Oscar Cornejo, of the 10600 block of John Ayers Drive, and Louis Violetta, of the 5100 block of Lavery Court, were both charged with racing on a highway. They were released on summonses and both cars were impounded, awaiting court proceedings.

The Fairfax County Police Department is dedicated to keeping streets safe. Street racing in Fairfax County will not be tolerated. Anyone racing is subject to loss of vehicle, license suspension for up to two years, imprisonment for up to 12 months and a maximum fine of \$2,500.



E-mail Extortion Scam

Fairfax County Police have received several complaints of extortion attempts over the last few months. The e-mails are a scam. In many cases, a person opens an e-mail explaining that the sender was hired and already paid by someone to kill them. The e-mail further states that the person could pay a fee to spare their life. The sender requests an e-mail reply to discuss the money transfer.



Do not reply to these e-mails. The investigation into these e-mails revealed they are not legitimate, but instead a ploy to obtain financial or personal information. Giving this type of information could lead to identity theft. Fairfax County Police are urging anyone who receives this type of e-mail to report them to the Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) at www.ic3.gov. The IC3 is a partnership between the FBI and the National White Collar Crime Center.

CRIME TRENDS

There were 50 reported cases of vehicles being broken into and property stolen between March 1st and March 31st in the Reston District. The vehicles were either left unlocked, or were locked and had their windows smashed out to gain entry. The following dates and locations are where these larcenies from vehicles occurred:

- 3/1 - Elm Tree, Meadow Willow, Weeping Cherry, Striped Maple**—The stolen property consists of GPS units and an iPod.
- 3/8 - Harvest Green Ct.**—GPS units and an iPod were stolen.
- 3/9 – Bennington Hollow**—GPS units and cash were taken.
- 3/14 – Sunset Hills Rd, Freedom Dr, Centre Park, Jefferson Way, William Short, Fox Hunt**—GPS units, coins and a laptop were stolen.
- 3/18 – Ivy Oak, Charter Oak, Sycamore Valley, Jonathan Way**—GPS units and an iPod were stolen.
- 3/19 – Herndon/Monroe Park & Ride, Captiva Ct, Preston White, Sunrise Valley Dr.**—GPS units, a DVD/CD player, and a backpack were taken.
- 3/21 – Stoneview Sq.**—A GPS unit and cash were stolen.
- 3/23 – Clover Field Cir.**—A GPS unit was taken.
- 3/24 – Rock Chapel Rd, Cliff Edge Dr.**—GPS units were stolen.
- 3/28 – Winterthur Ct Viking DR, Summer Pl Reign, Kettering Dr.**—A GPS unit was stolen.



- 3/29 – Riva Ridge Dr, Wynkoop Dr.**—GPS units, a CD player, an iPod, a wallet, a briefcase, and a black leather jacket were taken.
- 3/30 – Esplanade Dr.**—GPS units, a CD player and an iPod were stolen.
- 3/31 – Wainwright, Mediterranean, Greywing Sq.**—GPS units were stolen.

Tips for Deterring Thefts

- Lock your vehicle everywhere you go, even in your driveway.
- Do not leave valuables in your vehicle.
- Remove the cradle of your portable GPS unit from the windshield and clean the suction cup mark off of the windshield.
- Call the police to report any and all suspicious activity at 703-691-2131.



**Keep Kids Safe!
Don't Provide Alcohol to Youth
Under the Age of 21!**

The Countywide Initiative To Reduce Underage Drinking is endorsed by Fairfax County Public Schools and Fairfax County Government

Call 703-691-2131, TTY 711 to report underage drinking parties to the police.

Contact 571-423-4270 for further information about the initiative.

Funds for this ad provided by a Drug Free Community Support Program Grant awarded to the Unified Coalition of Fairfax County from the Office of National Drug Control Policy in partnership with SAMHSA.

Eastern European Burglary Groups

Throughout the year the Great Falls area, especially corner lots, is hit with residential burglaries. These burglaries result in the loss of thousands of dollars worth of jewelry, silverware, and cash. Although the primary target areas are Great Falls and McLean, we should all be aware, and take note of strange vehicles and people in the area, as these professional burglary groups can and will strike anywhere.

These groups specialize in residential burglaries. They typically target affluent and upper middle class residential areas, and prefer large homes on corner lots. These groups are considered a professional criminal group, who are experts in avoiding detection. In a majority of the cases, nobody is seen, and the property is rarely recovered.

Who to look for: Most of the burglary groups we see are from Eastern Europe (Poland, Hungary, Yugoslavia, and Romania). They generally speak broken English or various European languages. They are often described as “Hispanic looking” by our burglary victims. The groups consist of both men and women. The women generally have dark hair and eyes, are most commonly heavy set, and vary in ages. It would not be surprising to find a mother/daughter team. The men are usually described as looking “Hispanic” and are generally in their 40’s.

What to look for: We typically find that the Burglary groups travel in groups of three to four, one of the males will be driving the getaway vehicle and the females will perpetrate the actual burglary. They frequently use SUV (Sport Utility Vehicles) and rental 4-door sedans. The vehicles most often display out-of-state license plates, most commonly from Pennsylvania, Illinois, New York, and Florida. The group will most frequently park the get away vehicle in the turn off lanes on the closest major roadway to the targeted burglary victim.

How and When they do it: Most of the burglaries occur between 10am and 1pm. Most commonly we find that the female will knock or ring the doorbell first, even if the homeowner is working in their yard. At this point, the females will enter the home, undetected, and commit the burglary. If no one is home, and the doors are locked, they will break window panes, throw rocks through rear doors, or kick open French Doors. If they happen to be

confronted inside the home, the suspect(s) will use statements such as “I’m looking for my dog” or “I’m looking for a place to rent.” If stopped or prevented from leaving, this group will go to any extreme to avoid apprehension and have become extremely violent with victims.

What can you do?: The most important thing you can do is **Report** any strange people or vehicles in your neighborhood.

- Call **911** immediately if you see someone other than the homeowner entering a house!
- Call the police at **(703) 691-2131** immediately if you think you see anyone matching these types of professional burglars in your neighborhood. The police will check the area if a call is made about someone strange walking around a house.
- If you see something strange at your neighbor’s house, **Report It!** At the very least it will make them aware they are being watched, and the police can identify them. Remember these professionals travel in groups and in vehicles.
- Write down any license plate numbers or vehicle descriptions that you may see in or around your neighborhood if you notice anyone fitting the description of the Eastern European Burglars in your area.
- If you are at home, in your backyard, or just “popping over to a neighbor’s,” **lock** your doors. These professionals are looking for unlocked doors and have entered houses while the residents are just outside in their yards.
- Hide your jewelry. The first place the women go is the master bedroom, looking for jewelry.
- If you are out of town, make sure you let your neighbors know that no one is to be in your home or driveway, and have them watch your house.
- If you have an alarm, **use it**. Set your alarm even if you are home and inside your house.
- Consider starting a Neighborhood Watch in your neighborhood.



Reston Business Crime Watch

Violence in the Workplace — How to Protect Your Employees

By PFC Katy Fernbacher

The Reston District Crime Prevention Office will hold a workplace violence workshop for businesses in May. This workshop will address some workplace violence issues that all businesses could come in contact with. The date of this event is still to be determined. More information will follow as it becomes available.

In the past year, the Reston Crime Prevention Office has answered an abundance of questions about workplace violence for businesses of all types. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) defines workplace violence as violence or the threat of violence against workers. It can occur at or outside the workplace and can range from threats and verbal abuse to physical assaults and homicide, one of the leading causes of job-related deaths. However it manifests itself, workplace violence is a growing concern for employers and employees nationwide.

Workplace violence includes domestic assaults and disturbances, sexual harassment, and verbal abuse by co-workers, disgruntled employees and random attacks of violence but is not limited to these. OSHA suggests the best protection employers can offer is to establish a zero-tolerance policy toward workplace violence against or by their employees. The employer should establish a workplace violence prevention program or incorporate the information into an existing accident prevention program, employee handbook, or manual of standard operating procedures. It is critical to ensure that all employees know

the policy and understand that all claims of workplace violence will be investigated and remedied promptly.

Employers should also consider addressing domestic situations like protective orders, restraining orders and no contact orders their employees or clients may have. Employees should be encouraged to notify their employer about any situation that might be potentially violent for that employee, whether or not it is work related. Usually court orders are very specific and can include specific instructions about how far away someone must stay from another. These instructions can include the exact address of your place of business, or specifically named person. This can also pertain to children. Employees should feel they can communicate this information confidentially to their employer. If some kind of written policy exists from the employer, employees will know their information will be protected and the employer will be able to provide the necessary protection for their employees.

OSHA has various publications, standards, technical assistance, and compliance tools to help you, and offers extensive assistance through its many safety and health programs: workplace consultation, voluntary protection programs, grants, strategic partnerships, state plans, training, and education. This and other information are available on OSHA's website at www.osha.gov. The information for this article was taken from the Workplace Violence OSHA Fact Sheet, www.osha.gov/OshDoc/data/General_Facts/factsheet-workplace-violence.pdf.



CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Would you like to become more involved in the Reston District? You can, by attending the Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings. The CAC was established in 1979 to enhance the Police Department's ability to communicate with and better serve the community.



The CAC meeting can involve presentations about any aspect of the Police Department and may cover the helicopter division, identity theft, the K-9 division, or child safety. In addition, you will find out what is going on in your community and will have the opportunity to talk to the Commander of the Reston District Station and express your concerns directly.

The formal meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. and runs about 1½ hours. (The Neighborhood Watch meeting precedes it at 7:00 p.m.). The meetings are normally held the third Thursday of each month in the community room of the Reston District Station at 12000 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. There are no dues or membership requirements, and dress is casual. Late arrival/early departure is OK. This is time well spent, and we hope to see you there. For more information, contact the Crime Prevention Office at (703) 478-0799. Everyone is welcome to join us!

Crime Solvers Launches New Website!

Fairfax County Crime Solvers has launched its own website. It was designed to aid the program and the Police Department. There are pages to advertise wanted fugitives, cold cases, suspects caught in the act, and more at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org.

Community Crime Statistic Information Line

Residents interested in receiving a report based on the frequency of calls dispatched to a specific area of interest over the previous 12-month period are now able to do so. Call (703) 246-7932 and you will be directed to leave your name and phone number, fax, email or mailing address. Requests take approximately 5-7 days.

Fairfax Police Department Programs

Fairfax County Police Department SAFE (Sexual Assault Free and Empowered)

Women's Self Defense Program: SAFE teaches realistic self-defense tactics and techniques. The program begins with awareness, prevention, risk reduction, and avoidance. It then progresses to the basics of hands-on defense training. To learn more or to register for the course, call (703) 246-7806.

Reston Police Station Services

For more information regarding the following services, please contact the Crime Prevention Office at (703) 478-0799 or e-mail the Crime Prevention Officers Katy Fernbacher at katy.fernbacher@fairfaxcounty.gov or Chip Cogan at Harry.Cogan@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Reston Police Newsletter: Please visit the link below to access the Fairfax County Police newsletter service center to sign up to receive The Reston Reliance: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/newsletter>.

Home/Business Security Assessments: If you are concerned about the safety and security of your home or business, call us to schedule a free security assessment. We will make recommendations and offer suggestions to better safeguard your home or business.

Neighborhood Watch Training: If your community is interested in receiving Neighborhood Watch training, please call us and we will schedule a time to come to your community to give the training.

Child Safety Seat Inspections: Inspections are scheduled through voicemail by calling (703) 478-0904 x5208. If you are interested in this service please allow enough time before your due date to have your child safety seat inspected. Scheduled BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.

Reston Business Crime Watch: This e-mail alert system is designed to give businesses up-to-date and specific crime information pertaining to the type or location of the business.



Community Resources

Cut out and hang near your phone for easy reference

POLICE— Non-Emergency	703-691-2131
EMERGENCY	911
Reston District Police Station.....	703-478-0904
Alcohol and Drug Services (Youth Services).....	703-961-1080
Center for Multicultural Human Services.....	703-533-3302
CrisisLink Crisis Hotline (Suicide, trauma, life crises).....	703-527-4077
Community Services Board (Prevention services).....	703-324-7000
Emergency Mental Health Services (24 hour).....	703-573-5679
Department of Family Services.....	703-324-7938
Fairfax County Dept. of Community and Recreation Services—Teen Services...	703-324-8336
Fairfax County Gang Coordinator.....	703-246-2396
Fairfax County Health Dept.....	703-246-2411
Fairfax Co. Health Dept.—Tattoo Removal Program.....	703-246-7182
Fairfax County Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.....	703-246-2495
Fairfax County Police Gang Prevention Coordinator.....	703-246-7844
Fairfax County Public Schools—After school programs.....	703-246-6740
Northern Virginia Gang Task Force—Tip Line.....	1-866-664-2647
Youth Employment (NVWIB job hunt).....	703-368-0775



To request this information in an alternate format, call the Fairfax County Police Department at (703) 246-7562 and TTY (703) 204-2264.



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