

WEEKLY CRIME REPORT

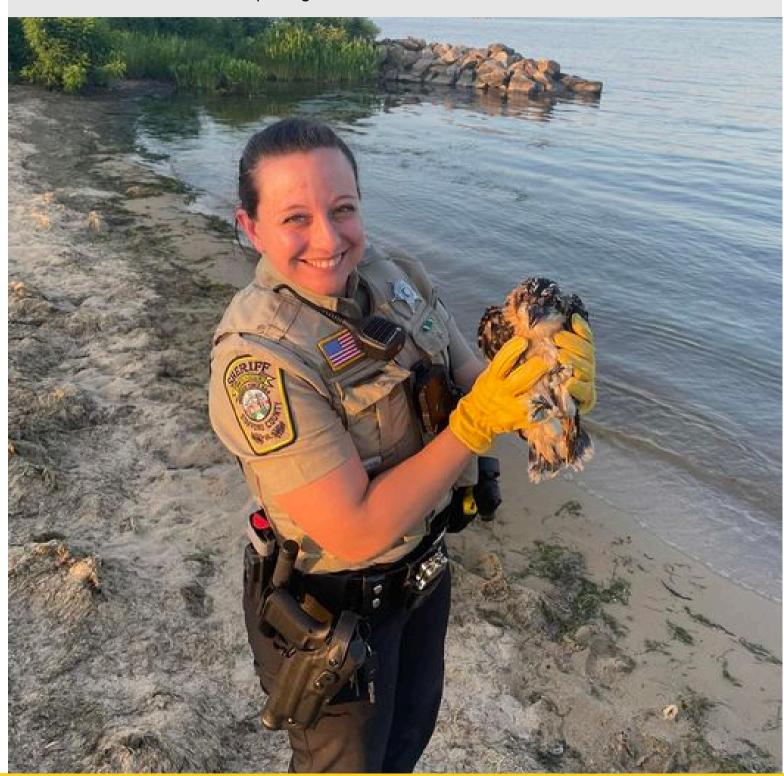


AUGUST 12TH - AUGUST 18TH, 2024

ALPHA ZONE

LARCENY

Target, 25 South Gateway Drive, deputy responded to a larceny. Staff advised they noticed a repeat shoplifter concealing items. He was stopped by staff, identified, and forced to return the stolen items. A warrant for shoplifting was obtained.



BRAVO ZONE

CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Meadow Drive, deputy responded to a disturbance. It was discovered a 17-year-old was in possession of a firearm. After running the serial number, it was discovered the firearm was stolen from New York back in 1976. While the investigation is ongoing for how a nearly 50-year-old stolen firearm ended up in Stafford, the juvenile received a criminal complaint for possession of a stolen firearm. Juvenile Intake was contacted and decided to detain the juvenile. He was held at the Juvenile Detention Center.

VANDALISM

Amazon, 181 Centreport Parkway, deputy responded to a vandalism. Eighteen company vehicles had their front right tire punctured. Hopefully the tires can be replaced quickly using Prime shipping.

PUBLIC INTOXICATION

Woodlawn Shopping Center, deputy responded to an unknown problem. While it is a good idea to get out into nature every once and awhile, the caller thought it was odd seeing a 38-year-old female rolling around in the grass. The deputy made contact with the suspect who not only had signs of intoxication, but seven (7) empty mini-bottles of vodka. She was charged with public intoxication.

Falmouth Beach, 401 River Road, deputy responded to a disturbance down by the river. It was advised a male was attempting to provoke women. When the deputy arrived, he made contact with the male, who was under the influence despite the no-alcohol-signs posted. He was charged with public intoxication.

Centreport Parkway, deputy responded to a disturbance. The caller advised a male was attempting to wave down vehicles. The deputy made contact with the shirtless suspect who had signs of intoxication. The suspect advised his vehicle broke down; however, no vehicle was located nearby. He was charged with public intoxication.

DUI

Forbes Street, deputy responded to a single-vehicle auto accident. The caller advised a driver decided to plant his vehicle into some bushes. The prickly situation blossomed when the caller further advised the driver appeared intoxicated and was falling over himself. The driver had signs of intoxication and admitted to consuming roughly five (5) beers prior to driving. While the driver requested to "just walk it off and walk home", deputies insisted on giving him a free ride to Rappahannock Regional Jail. He was charged with driving under the influence.

Sunoco, 201 Emancipation Highway, deputy was on Butler Road when he observed a motorcycle without any rear lights on. The deputy conducted a traffic stop on the bike, but prior to the bike stopping, witnessed the driver lose control and nearly crash. The driver had signs of intoxication and admitted to consuming three (3) beers. The driver was charged with driving under the influence and having improper tail lights.

CHARLIE ZONE

DUI

Best Western, 2868 Richmond Highway, deputies observed a vehicle stopped on Richmond Highway with the driver slumped over. The vehicle was still in drive and the only thing preventing the vehicle from rolling was the driver's foot on the brake. Deputies put the vehicle in park and woke up the driver. The driver had signs of intoxication, admitted to consuming beer prior to driving, and had a red solo cup sitting in the center console that had the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from it. The driver was charged with driving under the influence with a blood alcohol content between .15 and .2, drinking while driving, and stopping on a highway.

7-Eleven, 2842 Richmond Highway, deputy was in the parking lot when he observed a truck traveling at a high rate of speed enter the property complex. The deputy conducted a traffic stop and made contact with the suspended driver. The driver had signs of intoxication, an open container of alcohol next to him, and an expired inspection sticker. The driver was charged with driving under the influence, drinking while driving, driving while suspended, refusal, and the expired inspection.

PUBLIC INTOXICATION

Intersection of Richmond Highway and Woodstock Lane, deputies responded to a suspicious vehicle that had been in the area over two (2) hours. Deputies made contact with the occupant of the vehicle, who had signs of intoxication and admitted to using whippets. Eighteen Nitrous Oxide canisters were located within the vehicle. The suspect was charged with public intoxication and inhaling chemicals.

7-Eleven, 1947 Richmond Highway, deputy responded to an intoxicated person call. The caller advised a male was stumbling around the business knocking things over. When the deputy arrived, he made contact with the shirtless suspect who had signs of intoxication. The suspect, who identified himself as "Demon" was charged with public intoxication.

HIT AND RUN

Intersection of Garrisonville Road and Richmond Highway, deputy was making a left-hand turn from Eastbound Garrisonville Road when he heard a loud crash behind him. The school bus behind him was struck by a gold sedan before the sedan continued on. With the help of an Aquia Harbour Officer, the suspect vehicle and driver were located at Brent Park. It was discovered the suspect was also attempting to turn left, but from a straight-only lane and struck the bus. It was also discovered she had numerous traffic offenses. The driver was charged with hit and run, driving without a valid license, driving without insurance, having fictitious tags, as well as, operating an unregistered vehicle.

LARCENY

First Auto Gallery, 24 Derrick Lane, deputy responded to a larceny. Staff advised they arrived at the business and discovered a Mercedes missing. The vanishing vehicle was entered as stolen into a law enforcement database.

DELTA ZONE

FASSAULT

Goose Pond Road, deputy responded to an assault. It was discovered a juvenile female arrived at a residence she was trespassed from in an attempt to fight a juvenile male. She would force her way into the residence and assault the male. The female received criminal complaints for breaking and entering, two (2) counts of assault and battery, as well as, trespassing. Juvenile Intake detain her at the Juvenile Detention Center.

Colonial Forge High School, deputy was conducting his SRO duties when he was informed of an assault. One student assaulted another first thing in the morning. When the victim's friends attempted to stop the assaulting student, she would assault them as well. Four (4) criminal complaints for assault and battery were filed.

Mountain View High School. Despite it only being the first week of school it would seem one student had a beef with another. The deputy was conducting his SRO duties when he was informed of a fight. After an assembly one student assaulted another. Criminal complaints for assault and battery were filed for the predominant aggressor.

LARCENY

ABC, 356 Garrisonville Road, deputy responded to a larceny. Apparently, it was tequila time, for a suspect stole two (2) bottles of Casamigos Tequilas before fleeing in a blue Nissan.

Frasier Drive, deputy responded to a larceny of a vehicle. The victim advised she did not know her vehicle was stolen until she was woken by a call from a Prince William Officer who found it on the side of the road.

Boyd Drive, deputy responded to a larceny. The victim advised he had a package of phones dropped off at his residence. Moments later, Ring camera footage showed a black male wearing a blue vest steal the package and flee in a white sedan.

Target, 1090 Stafford Market Place, deputy responded to a larceny. Staff advised they observed a juvenile shoplifting nearly \$100 worth of items and stopped him. A criminal complaint for shoplifting was filed.

Target, 1090 Stafford Market Place, deputy responded to the 2nd Target treachery of the day. Staff advised a male suspect, who had been seen stealing previously, was back at it again. This time he stole nearly \$160 worth of items. Using business cameras, the deputy was able to identify the suspect and would later locate him. The suspect was charged with one count of shoplifting for this incident, and three counts of shoplifting for previously unsolved larcenies at the business.

THREATS

Colonial Forge High School, deputy was conducting his SRO duties when he was informed of a threat. A student sent a threatening message to another using his school issued email. A criminal complaint for using a computer for harassment was issued.

SCAM-AWARE

Victim received an email regarding her renter's insurance policy, indicating her policy was due to expire and needed to be renewed. The victim called the number listed in the email and provided her policy number. She explained to the agent that her policy was not due to expire until October and was uncertain about the situation. The agent insisted that if the victim did not pay, her policy would be canceled and requested her debit card number. Monica provided this information, and the following day, there was a charge of \$131.00 from Florida on her account. Additionally, the victim then received a text from a different phone number stating that her vehicle insurance policy was expiring and requesting her bank information. Monica found this suspicious and contacted the official 1-800 number for GEICO and the customer service representative informed her that the person she spoke with was not an employee and advised her to contact her bank to initiate an investigation and contact the Sheriff's Office to file a report. An attempt to contact both these phone numbers resulted in the lines being disconnected, and the calls are unable to connect.

Victim advised that she had received an email indicating that a PayPal account had been opened up in her name and that she owed approximately \$10,000. The victim contacted the number provided in the email and was eventually connected with a person who identified himself as "Richard J. Smith". "Mr. Smith" told her that the money had already been taken out of her account and that he could help her get it back. "Mr. Smith" provided the victim instructions to purchase gift cards. Per there instruction, the victim proceeded to a CVS to purchased Apple gift cards. The victim advised that she couldn't find Apple gift cards but instead purchased \$2,000 worth of Disney gift cards. She told "Mr. Smith" about her purchase and said he became upset that they were not Apple. She was then provided instructions to proceed to a Walmart and purchase additional Apple gift cards. The victim went to the Walmart and purchased \$1,500 worth of Applebee's gift cards, she advised this was the closest thing she could find to Apple. With \$3,500 worth of gift cards in hand, the victim proceeded home where she continued to follow instruction from "Mr. Smith", instructing her to log on to her laptop, providing "Mr. Smith" remote access. With "Mr. Smith" now in control of her computer, he accessed her web camera so she could provide him the security codes for each gift card. The victim scratched off each security label and held the codes up to her camera for "Mr. Smith". Several days later, the victim noticed a withdrawal of approximately \$7,000 from her personal bank account, also believe to have been withdrawn when "Mr. Smith" had remote access to the victim's computer, accessing the victim's account.

This report does not encompass all of the reported crimes that may have occurred in the county, but only those noted for media interest. Anyone with information regarding the incidents listed in this report is asked to contact the Stafford County Sheriff's Office at (540) 658-4450. For ongoing updates, follow us on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

Community + Cops + Conversations + Coffee = Building and Maintaining Relationships

COFFEE WITH A COP



Wednesday
August 28th
9:00 am - 11:00 am

3845 Richmond Highway Stafford, VA 22554

Stafford County Sheriff's Office invites community members, businesses and organizations to join us for coffee and conversations. An informal community conversation to ask questions, share your ideas, discuss concerns or issues, to learn more about each other and share what's on your mind.

Our mission is to build trust, build better relationships and breakdown barriers as we all strive to make our community of Stafford County a community of one.





POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

STAFFORD MARKET PLACE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST, 2024

5:00PM - 8:00PM



Drive-thru style!!!

Join the Stafford County Crime Solvers for a safe and secure way to dispose of documents!



Sat. Oct 5th, 2024 9am – 11am (or until full)

Stafford County Sheriff's Office (1225 Courthouse Rd. Stafford, 22554)



Contact CRIME PREVENTION UNIT with questions 540-658-4030

WANT TO SEE CRIME TRENDS NEAR YOU?

