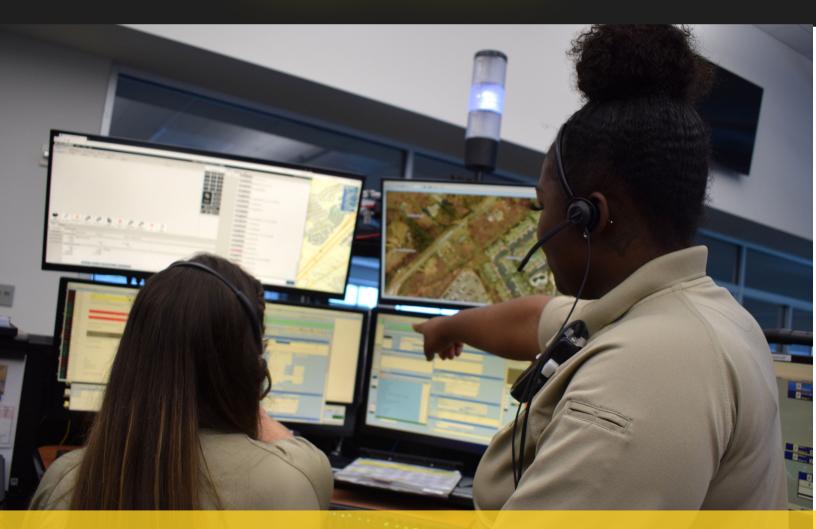


Stafford County Sheriff's Office

WEEKLY CRIME REPORT



MARCH 11TH - MARCH 17TH, 2024

ALPHA ZONE

DUI

Popeyes, 735 Warrenton Road, deputy responded to an auto accident. The suspect's vehicle drifted into the victim's lane and struck their vehicle. The driver of vehicle "1" had signs of intoxication and admitted to consuming approximately two (2) beers prior to driving. The driver was charged with driving under the influence, two (2) counts of reckless driving, and refusal.

Battery Point Drive, the deputy responded to a disturbance. The caller advised people were outside trying to kidnap him. When the deputy arrived, he discovered that was not the case. It was discovered that the caller drove to that location in an intoxicated state and the people trying to "kidnap" him were friends within the vehicle. One of the occupants in the vehicle was discovered to be wanted out of Stafford for contempt of court. She was also discovered to be in possession of suspected controlled substances. One of our deputies, a Drug Recognition Expert, was requested to conduct field sobriety tests on the caller. The caller attempted to flee from the sobriety tests but instead ran into the closed front door which stopped him in his tracks. He was charged with driving under the influence and obstruction of justice. He was held at Rappahannock Regional Jail on a \$1,000 secured bond. The female occupant was served on her outstanding warrant and was held on a \$1,500 secured bond. Charges for possession of controlled substances are pending.

LARCENY

Howell Library, 806 Lyons Boulevard, deputy responded to a larceny. The victim advised she accidentally left her phone in the library. When she returned to reclaim it, it was nowhere to be found.

Wawa, 9 South Gateway Drive, deputy responded to a larceny. Staff advised two (2) suspects rushed the counter and stuffed approximately \$765 worth of cigarettes in a trash bag. Both suspects then fled in an older light blue sedan.

PUBLIC INTOXICATION

Lee Coaches Bus Company, 1015 Thomas Lane, deputies responded to an intoxicated person call. The caller advised an employee was drunk. When deputies arrived, they made contact with the suspect who not only had signs of intoxication, but a beer in his hand. After the suspect put his beer down, he was placed in handcuffs. The suspect was transported to Rappahannock Regional Jail where he was charged with public intoxication.

WARRANT SERVED

Silver Collection at Celebrate Apartments, Setter Circle, deputies responded to a welfare check. The caller advised a resident was throwing items off his balcony. While attempting to check the welfare of the noncompliant subject, deputies discovered he was wanted out of Stafford County for a recent indecent exposure and obstruction of justice incident. He was arrested and during a search incident to arrest, suspected controlled substances were located on his person. He was charged with two (2) counts of possession of controlled substances, as well as, served on his outstanding warrant. He was held at the Rappahannock Regional Jail on a \$2,500 secured bond.

BRAVO ZONE



DUI

Morton Road, deputy responded to a single-vehicle auto accident. The caller advised a vehicle was on its side and the driver was entrapped. Fire and Rescue was able to safely remove the driver. It was discovered the vehicle veered off the road, struck an embankment, and turned on its side. The driver was unaware her vehicle was flipped, stating "there was no incident" and she simply "pulled over." She had signs of intoxication. Marijuana, Narcan, and numerous prescription bottles were located in the vehicle. Driving under the influence charges are currently pending depending on the results of her blood test.

LARCENY

Duff Park, deputy responded to a larceny. The victim advised her purse was stolen from her unlocked vehicle. She would later receive notification from her bank that her credit cards were fraudulently used at Walmart.

DISTURBANCE

McDonald's, deputy responded to a disturbance with a weapon. The caller advised she and a known party got into a verbal argument when the suspect brandished a firearm. Deputies located the suspect within the business and he was detained without incident. Charges are pending.

WARRANT SERVED

Wawa, the deputy was on his way home when he received information of a wanted suspect being within the business. The deputy identified the suspect due to his distinct tattoos and attempted to detain him. While at first, the suspect resisted, with the help of an off-duty Fredericksburg Police Officer, he was detained. He was served on his outstanding warrants and held at Rappahannock Regional Jail without bond.

CHARLIE ZONE

PUBLIC INTOXICATION

Cavalier Skating Rink, deputy responded to a traffic offense. Staff advised a man was parked in a handicapped spot and was refusing to move. The deputy made contact with the suspect who had several signs of intoxication, including dilated pupils. He was charged with driving under the influence and refusal.

LARCENY

Potomac Crest Circle, deputy responded to a larceny. The caller advised that he observed an unoccupied vehicle that looked rummaged through. The deputy contacted the owner who advised that his vehicle was unlocked. Multiple shoes and a firearm were stolen. Later, the deputy received a video of four (4) males in a gray sedan stealing the items.

TRAFFIC OFFENSE

Sheetz, the deputy observed a vehicle with a year-old inspection sticker and conducted a traffic stop. The deputy would further discover that the registration was also expired and the driver was not wearing a seatbelt. When the deputy requested the driver's license and registration, the driver stated "nah." After a few attempts to have the driver comply, even citing Virginia Code 46.2-104, the deputy informed the driver he could be arrested for the offense. The driver would continue being noncompliant. When the deputy placed the driver in handcuffs, the driver requested to be let go with a few tickets. The driver was charged with refusal to provide license and registration, having expired registration, having expired inspection, no proof of insurance, and failure to wear a seatbelt. He was held at Rappahannock Regional Jail on a \$2,000 secured bond and his vehicle was towed.

ASSAULT

Corporate Drive, the deputy responded to an assault. Two (2) security guards got into a heated argument over a cell phone. The argument escalated when one security guard grabbed the other and threatened him. The suspect was charged with assault and was released by the magistrate on personal recognizance.

DRUGS

Rappahannock Regional Jail. Detectives responded to a drug report. Staff advised that they located a baggy filled with an unknown substance in a laundry bin. The substance was seized.

WARRANT SERVED

Quantico Marine Corps Base, deputy responded to a wanted subject being located. Military Police advised they had someone in their custody wanted out of Stafford County for assault and battery. The deputy took custody of the suspect and served him on his outstanding warrant. He was held at Rappahannock Regional Jail without bond.

DELTA ZONE

ASSAULT

Navy Federal Credit Union, deputy responded to an assault. The victim advised while at the ATM she was inappropriately touched by a stranger. When the suspect was informed the Sheriff's Office would be called, he fled into Outback Steakhouse. Deputies located the suspect in an intoxicated state who could not remember events prior to deputies' arrival. He was charged with assault and battery, as well as, public intoxication.

DISTURBANCE

Mountain View Road, deputy responded to a call regarding a shooting at a moving vehicle. The victims advised they were traveling down the road when a reckless driver began to pass them using the oncoming lane. As it did, a passenger produced a shooting device and shot the victim's vehicle, causing damages. The investigation is ongoing.

LARCENY

Embrey Mill Soccer Fields, deputy responded to a larceny. The victim advised her purse was stolen from her vehicle. She had received notification from her bank that her credit cards were fraudulently used at Walmart.

PUBLIC INTOXICATION

Red Roof Inn, deputies responded to a fight in progress. It was advised two (2) females were fighting in the parking lot. Deputies made contact with both parties and discovered neither wanted to press charges due to them being friends with each other. They were also discovered to be heavily intoxicated. Both were charged with public intoxication and held at Rappahannock Regional Jail until sober.



SCAM-AWARE

Victim received a call from a male who identified himself as Mr. Frank Leek. This individual stated he was with the Amazon fraud department and asked if she had ordered a computer and had it shipped to an address in New York. She stated she told him she had not, so he informed her that her Amazon account had been hacked. "Frank" then went on to tell the victim that her bank accounts had been hacked, and two (2) properties in Texas had been rented using her financial and identity information. The caller insisted the victim empty her bank accounts to avoid having the money stolen. The victim stated she became suspicious and wanted to verify their identities. She stated "Frank" conferenced in another male who identified himself as the Inspector General of Baltimore and they directed the victim to a county website with a picture and a name that matched the name he had given, so the victim felt she could trust him. "Frank and the IG" then instructed her to purchase three (3) \$500 Apple iTunes gift cards and send pictures of the cards and the numbers along with a photo of the receipts. Victim complied and was promised this would help verify if her accounts had been hacked and that a member of the IG's office would meet her at her bank to reimburse her for the \$1,500. After sending the iTunes codes, a different number called the victim stating they were with the Border Patrol. The victim states they claimed to have intercepted a package at the border containing \$96,000 in cash and six (6) various passports containing her information. It was for this reason the caller urged the victim to empty her IRA/ retirement accounts for safekeeping. She stated she called her broker, but he didn't answer so she called a friend who helped her realize this had all been a scam.

Victim advised that she was contacted by someone pretending to be with Exotic Travelers. The suspect advised the victim if they paid a current debt they would give her a free vacation. When she did not receive a free trip, she contacted the real Exotic Travelers who informed her that she had been scammed.

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 <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

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



COFFEE WITH A COP

Wednesday March 27 9:00 am - 11:00 am 3846 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.



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Saturday, April 27 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

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