

EVENDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT

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OUR MISSION

The members of the Evendale Police Department are committed to the principles that define democracy, including the protection of constitutional rights and equal protection under the law. We will at all times exercise the authority granted to us in an ethical, consistent and lawful manner.

OPEN CONTAINER

Officer Ward conducted a traffic stop for a speeding violation. The car was occupied by five individuals, and the driver gave permission to search the vehicle. Located was an open Bud Light beer bottle which was half full and cold to the touch. One passenger, Chad Morgan, admitted to ownership of the alcohol. Morgan was cited for open container and released.

THEFT

On 1/6 Officer Curry met with a representative from Duke Energy reference copper wire stolen from their substation in Evendale. Person(s) unknown cut the fence and gained access, helping themselves to 2 1/2-3 feet sections of copper ground wire. There were no suspects or witnesses, and the complainant was advised the case would be suspended inactive.

A patron of the Valley Thrift Store advised Officer Parr that unknown person(s) stole her purse from her shopping cart. Valley Thrift's manager viewed security video which showed a suspect going through the purse while pushing her own cart, taking money, and ditching the purse under a rack of clothing. Following the offense, the suspect left the store without purchasing anything. Photos of the suspect and her vehicle were e-mailed to Crime Stoppers and SWOP Intel on 1/9/12. The investigation resulted in the arrest of Patricia Ann McAfee for theft.

On 1/8 WalMart reported that

a suspect concealed merchandise and left without paying for the items. Total value of the items stolen was \$55.68. Officer Wedig arrested Joshua Clark and charged him with theft.

Based on an investigation by WalMart security, it was discovered that an employee stole a ring valued at \$399. The defendant, Brianna Moore, admitted to pawning the ring for \$40. Lt. Phillips arrested Moore and charged her with theft.



A complainant reported that four truck batteries from two separate vehicles were stolen while they were parked in the lot of Crown Lift Trucks. Due to a lack of witnesses, suspects, or video surveillance, Officer Parr advised the complainant the case would be suspended inactive.

Officer Titgemeyer was dispatched to WalMart for a theft in progress. Upon arrival, the store associate stated that a male suspect asked her to retrieve a Sony Play Station game system from the electronics section. It is store protocol that the associate escort the person purchasing electronics to the cash registers. Once at the register, the suspect entered the checkout lane and took the merchandise from the associate's hands. He then ran out the grocery exit doors. A partial license plate number was obtained before the vehicle left the lot. Loss Prevention man-

agers were not available to view video of the offense at the time. Follow-up investigation provided a suspect, but the WalMart associate was unable to positively identify the person. Sgt. Lantry and Officer McCormick also interviewed the suspect, and determined that he was not the person who committed the offense. Case was closed by exceptional means.

WalMart Loss Prevention reported that a suspect tore open a package of head phones and walked past the point of sale without paying for same. They also observed a suspect fail to scan all of her merchandise at the self checkout and pass the point of sale without paying for all of the merchandise. Subsequently, Rashawn E. Stenson and Kelsey M. Vogel were arrested by Officer Shope. They were charged with theft cited to Evendale Mayor's Court.

On 1/17 Officer Ward met with Mike Albert Leasing reference misuse of a credit card by an employee. The employee had 17 unauthorized uses of the company fuel card valued at \$561.44 which occurred over a 4-month time period. All transactions occurred at Thornton's Gas on Sharon Rd. Case remains under investigation.

A WalMart employee was working when he opened a computer box, removed the contents, and concealed them under his hoodie. He then walked past the point of sale without paying for same. Total value was \$248, and the items were not recovered. Of-

ficer Titgemeyer arrested Demarcus A. Kelley-Higgins and charged him with theft.

Officer Wedig located a vehicle with person(s) inside suspected in a theft offense at WalMart. Upon stopping the vehicle, the front seat passenger admitted that he was responsible for stealing items at WalMart. A rear seated passenger was also involved in the theft offense. Harold C. Enoch was charged with theft and criminal trespassing, as he had previously been informed he was no longer welcome on WalMart property due to prior theft offenses. Antoinette Bonner was also charged with theft. Case closed by their arrest.

A complainant advised Officer Roach that his dump-trailer was removed from 10265 Spartan Dr. without his permission. There were no witnesses or suspects, and pending further investigative leads, the case was suspended inactive.

Officer Akers responded to WalMart for a theft report. When approached by Loss Prevention, the suspect gave up the merchandise and fled the store. Suspect information was gathered, however, after officers checked the area, the suspect could not be located. Pending further information, the case was suspended inactive.

WalMart Loss Prevention observed a suspect remove infant items and place the items in her diaper bag. She paid for some merchandise, but failed to pay for the

items placed in her diaper bag. During the time of the theft, another suspect was the "look-out" person. Officer Roach responded and arrested Gypsy Walls and Laquisha Brooks. Walls was charged with theft and Brooks was charged with complicity.

While attending a teen dance at The Sphere, a victim advised Officer Ward that she left her purse along the east wall. At the end of the dance, she discovered that her I-Pod Touch and \$40 in U.S. currency were missing. Due to a lack of further information, the case was suspended inactive.

Another patron of The Sphere teen dance reported to Officer Ward that her I-phone was missing. She had left it in her jacket pocket which she had placed under the bleachers along the east side wall. She, too, was advised the case would be suspended inactive.

Two other juveniles were victims of theft at the Sphere teen dance. Both reported placing their purses under the bleachers, and at the end of the dance, found that their phone and cash were missing. They were advised that the cases would be suspended inactive.

LOST/STOLEN PROPERTY

Officer Ward responded to WalMart for a report of a lost/stolen purse. The complainant stated that she left her purse at the register inside WalMart after paying for her merchandise. It wasn't until she got home that she real-

ized her purse was missing. She returned to WalMart and learned that no one had turned in or located her purse. Officer Ward watched the video surveillance which showed the complainant putting her purse on her arm after paying for her merchandise. She then exited the store. Due to the poor quality of the outside video, he could not determine if she left her purse in the shopping cart. Later that day, the complainant called and advised that she found her purse on her back porch. Case closed by exceptional means.

DECEPTION TO OBTAIN DANGEROUS DRUG

On 1/10 an office manager for a doctor in Liberty Twp. called Evendale Police to advise that a fraudulent prescription was ready for pick-up at the Evendale WalMart Pharmacy. The pending prescription was for ninety 1 mg.

tablets of Alprazolam. The officer manager confirmed through her own investigation that the doctor did not have

any patients under the name which was on the fraudulent prescription. Officer Wedig contacted WalMart's Pharmacy, and the on-duty pharmacist confirmed that the prescription was in their system and that it would be immediately cancelled. He requested that Evendale Police be contacted if the suspect responded to the pharmacy to pick up the prescription. Sgt. Abrams also coordinated with the Drug Task Force for further investigation.



DRUG ABUSE

While on patrol Officer Titgemeyer ran a query on a license plate which came back with two registered owners. One owner was under a court ordered driving suspension for OVI. After comparing the driver to the picture on the license plate query, it was confirmed that the driver was the person under suspension. Officer Titgemeyer activated his overhead lights, and the driver acted like he was going to pull over, but then continued driving and eventually turned onto Landy Ln. in Reading. He made an immediate right turn at the last business on Landy Ln., sped up, and drove around the east side of the building. He did not attempt to catch up or maintain speed with the vehicle, but did continue to drive in the direction the vehicle was traveling. After driving the length of the east side of the building, Officer Titgemeyer then drove north where there was a locked fence blocking his path. By this time, Sgt. Asbrock arrived. They entered the building through an open bay door near the locked fence. While inside Officer Titgemeyer spotted the vehicle driving back toward the door he had just entered. At this point, the driver was a different person than Officer Titgemeyer had previously seen driving the vehicle. The suspect stated he did not know the driver nor did he know where he went. The suspect was searched and found to have 12 grams of marijuana in his pocket. Carl Campbell was arrested and charged with drug posses-

sion and obstructing official business. Campbell was transported back to the station at which time he cooperated and said that the driver was Jamel Laster and that he knew Laster had fled from the vehicle when they reached a dead-end in the building. Jamel Laster was not located, however, warrants were entered for Failure to Comply and Driving Under Suspension. Case closed.

During a routine traffic stop, Officer Ward detected an odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. The driver was questioned about the odor and produced a plastic baggie of marijuana from the center consol. As a result, Chad E.



Cornelius was cited for drug abuse and released.

On 1/27 Officer Ward conducted a traffic stop for an equipment violation. Upon contact with the driver, he noticed a strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. After questioning, the driver produced a baggie of marijuana from the center console. Subsequently, Jennifer C. Irwin was charged with drug abuse and issued a warning citation for the equipment violation.

Officer Vonderhaar stopped a defendant with two open warrants. Upon approach, he detected a strong odor of marijuana coming from the inside of the vehicle. Carlisa M. Williams admitted to just finishing smoking a "joint". Evi-

dence was collected and Williams was cited to Evendale Mayor's Court for drug abuse.

MISUSE OF CREDIT CARD

A complainant came to the station and reported that her Capital One credit card had been used without her consent. The transaction took place at Swifty on Glendale-Milford Rd. Fifty Dollars was charged to her account. Officer Akers responded to Swifty and was told that there was no video of the offense. Pending further leads, the case was suspended inactive.

A complainant came to the station to report that her debit card had been used without her authorization. She had a transaction denied on 1/29 and it was then that she was alerted to the unauthorized use. The complainant will obtain statements from GE Credit Union detailing the \$330 in unauthorized charges on her account. Investigation pending.

An employee of Riverfront Steel spoke with Officer Vonderhaar to report fraudulent charges on his Visa card issued to him and Riverfront Steel. He was contacted by Visa security about charges made in Detroit, MI totaling around \$1,204.81. The card was cancelled. Case remains under investigation.

CRITICAL MISSING

On 1/14 Officer Roach received a call to a Glendale-Milford Rd. residence for a missing suicidal person. The complainant stated that his wife had left the residence fol-

lowing an argument. She told her husband she felt like killing herself and that she was going to check herself into University Hospital. She had a large kitchen knife when she left the residence. The complainant spoke to his wife via telephone and she said she was in the area of the University of Cincinnati, but could not find the hospital so she was just going to go somewhere and kill herself. She quit answering the phone following that conversation. An all county broadcast was put out and University Hospital was contacted and advised to contact Evendale Police if the complainant's wife showed up. A few minutes later, Evendale Police were advised that she had checked herself into the emergency room. After confirming that she had been located, Officer Roach cancelled the broadcast, and the case was closed.

NON-CRIMINAL EVENT

Evendale police were dispatched to WalMart reference a suicidal subject. Information obtained was from a third party caller who was not present. Officer Wedig located the suicidal subject who was reluctant to expound on what was troubling her, but voluntarily agreed that she needed professional help. She voluntarily left with Evendale paramedics and was transported to University Hospital for evaluation.

A Hillsboro resident contacted Evendale Police and advised that his girlfriend, an Evendale resident, was going to kill herself with pills. Officers Shope and Parr made contact with the suspect's soon to be

ex-husband who stated that she had left their residence five minutes prior. Contact was made with her boyfriend and he advised that the suspect was en route to his residence in Hillsboro. Highland County Sheriff's Office located the suspect and transported her to Dearborn County Hospital. Case closed.

MENACING

An Evendale resident came to the station and reported that his wife threatened to have one of her friends physically harm him. He stated she then made a phone call to an unknown person and told them to "do it". The resident did not wish to press charges, but wanted the incident documented. Officer Titgemeyer advised that he would generate a report and that if there were further problems, he should contact the police department. Case closed.

Evendale officers responded to the Social Security Administration reference possible trouble between 2 male subjects. The complainant/victim stated that the suspect became irate with him after he cut him off when turning into the Social Security parking lot. An independent witness saw the explosive reaction and said the suspect stated "if you ever do that again, I will kill you, I will kill you". By the time police arrived, the suspect had left the scene. The complainant did not wish to pursue the matter and the case was closed.

PASSING BAD CHECKS

A Sharefax Credit Union account holder advised Officer Ward that an unknown person

tried to pay their Duke Energy bill with his account information. Due to that transaction, the complainant's account was charged \$28 for insufficient funds and another \$28 when Sharefax tried to process the check a second time. The complainant responded to Sharefax and advised them that the bounced check was not his. The account was then frozen by Sharefax. The case is under investigation.

