

LA GRANGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Memorandum



To: Robert J. Pilipiszyn, Village Manager
From: Andrew M Peters, Acting Chief of Police
Date: February 13, 2017
Re: Monthly Report for January 2017

La Grange Police units responded to a report of an Armed Robbery involving a male juvenile victim, in the vicinity of Ashland and Maple Avenues. An unknown male black offender approached the victim from behind and demanded the victim's cellular phone. The offender raised his hoodie and displayed what the victim believed to be a handgun in his waistband. The victim handed over his phone and the offender fled the scene, entering a teal SUV type vehicle. The victim was uninjured. An immediate canvass of the area produced negative results in locating a suspect/offender. The case was turned over to Investigations who continue the effort in identifying suspects and track down leads in the case. The LGPD Investigators continue to work on the case with Western Springs PD who had a similar incident on the same night at Lyons Township High School.

MIDNIGHT SHIFT ACTIVITIES

INVESTIGATIONS:

Ofc. Kang and Ofc. Hon responded to the 100 block of Sawyer Ave. for the reported disorderly conduct, possible criminal damage to property incident. Complainant advised that she and other family members heard a noise at the front of the residence and discovered that a brick had been thrown at the front door. There was no damage to the door. It was learned that earlier in the morning, the complainant's sister, who also lives at the residence, had become involved in a verbal argument with the complainant and other family members who reside there. The sister then left the residence and presumably went to stay with her boyfriend who lives in Brookfield. The sister confirmed the story, both she and her boyfriend denied any involvement in the brick incident. Complainant wanted the incident as a matter of record only.

S/L Herrera, Ofc. Andries and Sgt. Rohlicek responded to L.T.H.S.-North Campus for the criminal trespass to property incident. The overnight School Security worker advised that he saw two male teenage subjects exit the building through a side door and walk away from the area. Officers searched the surrounding area for the subjects with negative results. Officers and School Security staff searched the interior of the school buildings. The doors were found to be secure, no other subjects were located inside and no damage, or other problems were discovered inside the school buildings. School administrators were notified of the incident and they will check school surveillance video to possibly identify the subjects.

Ofc. Andries, Ofc. McDermott, Ofc. Kang, Sgt. Rohlicek and Sgt. Ljubenko responded to the 0-100 block of Malden and Dover to assist the Fire Department with two garage fires. A detached garage on Malden caught on fire which then spread to a neighboring detached garage directly behind on Dover, which also caught on fire. Officers provided traffic control and other assistance while the Fire Department extinguished the fires. No one was injured in the incident.

Ofc. Hon and Ofc. Nemecek responded to the domestic disturbance in the 0-50 block of S. Spring Ave. A female subject and her boyfriend had become involved in a verbal argument only. Peace was restored and the boyfriend left to stay with friends in a neighboring town. Domestic violence information/forms were provided to subjects.

ARRESTS:

Ofc. McDermott arrested a 19 year old male subject from Oswego for an incident/investigation that occurred in Oct. 2016. Subject was charged with two counts of Possession of a Controlled Substance and one count of Possession of a Legend Drug with Intent to Deliver. Subject was transported to court for a felony bond hearing.

OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:

The Midnight shift completed 128 traffic contacts and investigated 2 property damage traffic accidents. Shift Officers issued 108 parking citations for overnight parking and other violations. Shift Officers conducted 90 Building/Business Premise Checks and Foot Patrols. Ofc. Andries taught an Internet Safety class to the students at St. John's Lutheran School and began teaching the D.A.R.E. Junior High course to the 8th grade classes at St. Cletus Catholic School.

TRAINING:

The shift successfully completed the January 2017 Police Law Institute online training along with the Lexipol Daily Training Bulletins. In addition, Ofc. McDermott completed the Ethnic and Cultural Awareness training course, Ofc. Kang attended the Field Mobile build/training program for the new CAD system and Ofc. Hon completed the 2-day Death Investigations, the 2-day Verbal Judo and the Cultural Competency training courses.

DAY SHIFT ACTIVITIES

INVESTIGATIONS:

Investigative Case Reports taken this month included: Burglary (4), Fraud, Criminal Damage to Property, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Assault, Theft (4), Suspicious Incident, and Disorderly Conduct (2).

Ofc Falls handled a Criminal Defacement of Property report in the 800 blk 10th, where obscene pictures were drawn on a vehicle window-no permanent damage.

Ofc Falls handled a Possession of Drug Paraphernalia case at La Grange/Cossitt. A civil cannabis citation was issued.

Ofc Falls handled an Assault case at 10 W Cossitt reference threatening messages received over Facebook.

Ofc Wessendorf handled a Disorderly Conduct case at 100 S Brainard reference suspicious activity over You Tube.

Ofc Fulla handled a Theft case in the 100 blk N La Grange Rd in which a cell phone was stolen from the phone store. Case closed due to lack of cooperation by the business.

Ofc Kaiser handled a Fraud case at 6 E 47th regarding a õskimmingö device being located in the store by employees.

Ofc Falls handled a Suspicious Incident case in the 300 blk S Spring.

Ofc Falls handled a Disorderly Conduct case at 10 W Cossitt in which a subject was making inappropriate gestures to an employee.

Ofc Wessendorf handled a Theft case in the 00 blk S 7th in which jewelry had allegedly been stolen.

Ofc Moncivais handled a Garage Burglary case in the 500 blk S Spring in which unknown offender(s) entered an unlocked vehicle and stole item(s).

Ofc. Kaiser handled a Garage Burglary case in the 500 blk S Spring. The case is under investigation.

Ofc Kaiser handled a Theft case in the 1100 blk S Brainard in which jewelry was allegedly stolen.

Ofc Cassiberry handled a Burglary case in the 00 blk S La Grange in which property was stolen from a closed business-no forced entry.

Ofc Andries handled a Garage Burglary case in the 200 blk S Spring in which property was taken from an unlocked vehicle.

ARRESTS:

Ofc Wolf arrested 49 year old male subject of La Grange for an outstanding traffic warrant.

Ofc Kaiser arrested a 63 year old male for an outstanding warrant for Possession Stolen Motor Vehicle warrant.

Ofc Fulla arrested a 37 year old male for No CDL and traffic.

Ofc Fulla arrested a 28 year old female for an outstanding traffic warrant

OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:

The Day Shift completed 3 Parking Tickets, 17 Compliance Tickets, 24 Community Contacts, 39 Building Checks, 153 Traffic Stops, 3 Warrant Arrests, 26 Foot Patrols, 5 DWLS/Misdemeanor Traffic Arrests, and 20 Crash Reports during the month. Members of the Day Shift also conducted lock down drills at Spring and Gurrie schools.

TRAINING:

Ofc Wessendorf attended Death Investigation class, Ofc Kaiser attended Verbal Judo class, Ofc. Wolf attended regular NIPAS Training, Ofc. Falls attended Cultural Competency class, and Ofc. Fulla attended Field Mobile Build/Training. All officers completed Lexipol and Police Law

AFTERNOON SHIFT ACTIVITIES

INVESTIGATIONS:

Investigative Case Reports taken this month included: Identity Theft (3), Armed Robbery, Criminal Damage to Property, Fraud (3), Sidewalk Fall Down (2), Theft Under \$500 (3), Battery (2), Disorderly Conduct (5), Warrant Service (2), Domestic Trouble (5), Found Property, Suicidal Subject, Unlawful Possession of Cannabis, Missing Persons (2), Suspicious Activity, Damage to Village Property (2), Theft Over \$500.

Ofc Burrell, along with several La Grange police units, investigated the report of an Armed Robbery involving a 13-year old male victim, in the vicinity of Ashland and Maple Avenues. An unknown male black offender approached the victim from behind and demanded the victim's cellular phone. The offender raised his hoodie and displayed what the victim believed to be a handgun. The victim handed over his phone and the offender fled the scene, entering a vehicle. The victim was uninjured. An immediate canvass of the area produced negative results in locating a suspect/offender. The case was turned over to Investigations.

Ofc Rogers responded to a business in the 00 Block of LaGrange Road in reference to a Theft. The store owner reported that he observed two employees making several monetary transactions with customers without ringing up the sales or placing the currency in the cash register. The owner reported a loss of approximately \$2,700 over a 6-month period. Both employees' employment was terminated and they were issued No Trespassing Orders by responding officers. The owner requested no further police action.

Ofc Irizarry, Ofc Nemecek and Sgt Wardlaw responded to a business in the 9000 block of West Ogden Avenue in reference to a male subject tampering with the ATM inside the business. Upon arrival, officers located the male juvenile, along with two additional juveniles who appeared to be retrieving a "skimming" device, in an attempt to fraudulently recover ATM customers' credit card information. During an on-scene search of an involved female juvenile, an additional device was recovered. The subjects were transported to the station for positive identification. The case was turned over to Investigations.

Ofc Cassiberry responded to the 00 Block of South 6th Avenue in reference to a Disorderly Conduct complaint. A woman reported receiving several lewd and harassing text messages from

her ex-husband who resides in Lombard, IL. Cassiberry contacted the man and advised him to cease all contact with the complainant, to which he advised he would comply.

Ofc Wessendorf responded to the PD lobby to take a Theft report. A male juvenile reported a female juvenile and her relative stole cash from him while they were located in the 00 Block of South La Grange Road. A short time later, the juvenile female came to the station and reported that the male threatened them and displayed a knife regarding the previous incident. The parties' respective parents were contacted in reference to both incidents, with neither wishing to pursue the matters criminally. The juveniles were both turned over to their parents.

Ofc Falls and additional La Grange police units responded to the 900 Block of South 7th Avenue in reference to a Suicidal Subject. Upon arrival officers spoke with the parents of a 16-year old male who advised he made statements indicating that he may harm himself. The juvenile was located a short distance away, at which time La Grange paramedics were contacted to provide initial care and transport. The juvenile was taken to LaGrange Hospital for further treatment and evaluation.

Ofc Niewold responded to the 1000 Block of South La Grange Road in reference to an Identity Theft report. A resident reported that an unknown offender used his identity to open a Comcast Cable television account in the city of Chicago. The resident indicated that the cable company suspended the account, and he would not be responsible for the accrued charges. The case was taken as a matter of record, as the victim suffered no financial loss.

Ofc Burrell responded to the 100 Block of South Brainard (LTHS-N) regarding a student found to be in possession of cannabis. Upon arrival, a school administrator advised that she conducted a well-being check on the male juvenile due to his lethargic action(s). She recovered a small amount of marijuana on the juvenile, which was turned over to officers for destruction. The juvenile was turned over to his father at the station. His father advised he would handle the matter and requested no further police action.

ARRESTS:

Ofc Niewold arrested 37-year old Chicago man on an outstanding Aurora PD Warrant for Criminal Trespass (Failure to Appear). LaGrange officers initially responded to a business in the 100 Block of North La Grange Road for a report of a Theft. The man was identified as an involved party in the theft, but the victim did not wish to pursue the matter criminally. The offender was taken into custody without incident.

Ofc Kaiser and Ofc Cassiberry arrested a 29-year old Lisle man on an outstanding La Grange PD Warrant for Driving While License Suspended (Failure to Appear). The man was picked up at the Lisle police department and transported to the station where he was processed without incident.

Ofc Falls cited a 69-year old Hickory Hills woman for Damage to Village Property after Falls conducted an single car accident investigation in the 300 Block of west Hillgrove. The woman reportedly backed her vehicle into a Village light pole, causing damage.

Ofc Burrell cited a 45-year old Burbank woman for damage to Village property after Burrell conducted a 2 car accident in the vicinity of Cossitt and Kensington Avenues. The woman reportedly failed to yield at an intersection causing the victim vehicle to strike a parkway tree, causing damage.

OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:

The Afternoon shift completed 167 traffic contacts which included 5 Misdemeanor Traffic Arrests for Driving While License Suspended/Revoked. Officers completed 29 crash reports (3 Personal Injury) and issued 2 parking citations. Shift Officers conducted 101 Building/Business Checks and Foot Patrols.

Sgt Wardlaw and Ofc Irizarry completed a station tour for La Grange Cub Scout Pack #33, comprised of several fourth and fifth grade scouts. The theme was entitled "duties of the Police job."

TRAINING:

The shift successfully completed the January 2017 Police Law Institute online training on New Laws: Illinois Controlled Substances Act, Uninsured Motor Vehicles (Bodily Harm), Vehicular Endangerment, Approaching Disabled Vehicles, Undercover Operations, Investigating Sex Crimes Inside Residences, Investigating Kidnappings (Death of Victim), and Weapons in Public Supported Buildings and Land.

Officers Cassiberry and Niewold completed Report Writing for Patrol Training at Romeoville PD. Ofc Irizarry completed Ethnic and Cultural awareness Training at Hanover Park PD. Sgt Wardlaw and Ofc Wessendorf attended Field Mobile (MDT) Training at Western Springs PD. PTO Egan completed his LEADS (less-than full access) re-certification.

INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION ACTIVITIES

INVESTIGATIONS:

Investigative case reports taken/followed up on this month include: Financial Exploitation of the Elderly (1), Criminal Sexual Assault (1), Armed Robbery (2), Residential Burglary (2), Attempted Child Luring (1), Habitual Missing Juvenile (1), Disorderly Conduct (1), Theft (1) Commercial Burglary (1), and Unlawful Use of Credit Card (1).

Inv. Uher conducted follow-up investigation into a Forgery. Inv. Uher presented facts of the case to the court and was able to obtain an Arrest Warrant for an offender wanted in connection to the Forgery. Case pending arrest of offender.

Inv. Coleman conducted follow-up investigation into a Criminal Sexual Assault. Inv. Coleman collected additional evidence related to the incident. Inv. Coleman and Inv. Uher also interviewed several potential witnesses tied to the case. Case pending.

Inv. Uher conducted follow-up investigation into an Armed Robbery that occurred at Radio Shack in October 2016. Inv. Uher learned evidence submitted to the Illinois State Police Crime Laboratory was being analyzed for the presence of DNA.

Inv. Coleman assisted the Day Shift with investigating a Disorderly Conduct. Inv. Coleman is in the process of identifying a suspect and whether or not they may be associated with the victim. Case pending.

Inv. Uher conducted follow-up investigation into an Armed Robbery that occurred at Verizon Wireless in August 2015. Inv. Uher learned evidence submitted to the Illinois State Police Crime Laboratory was analyzed for the presence of DNA and was found to be insufficient samples or not suitable for comparison. Case Closed.

Inv. Coleman conducted follow-up investigation into a Habitual Missing Juvenile. Inv. Coleman provided information to the National Center Missing and Exploited Children in order to help locate the juvenile. Inv. Coleman also obtained dental records as required by Illinois Statute. Case pending.

Inv. Uher conducted follow-up investigation into a Theft. Inv. Uher was able to obtain and review surveillance video from a local church of the incident and get a partial description of the offending vehicle. A Critical Reach Flier was distributed to local agencies in an attempt to identify the vehicle and offender(s). Case closed.

Inv. Coleman conducted follow-up investigation into an Attempted Child Luring incident. Inv. Coleman arranged a Forensic Interview of the child/victim through All Our Children's Advocacy Center (AOCAC). Prior to the interview Coleman and Inv. Uher checked the area of occurrence and located a subject matching the same description as the suspect. After speaking to the subject, investigators did not attend the Forensic Interview. It was determined no criminal intent was committed by the subject and the incident was a misunderstanding. Case closed.

Inv. Uher assisted the Midnight Shift with processing a Commercial Burglary scene at the Sprint Store. Inv. Uher was able to recover and review surveillance video of the incident. A Critical Reach Flier was distributed to local agencies in an attempt to identify the offender. Case closed.

Inv. Coleman assisted the Day and Afternoon Shift with a Death Investigation. Inv. Coleman processed the scene for evidence and documented the scene. Inv. Coleman also coordinated with the Cook County Medical Examiner's Office during the investigation. Case closed.

Inv. Uher and Coleman conducted follow-up investigation into a Residential Burglary incident. Investigators processed evidence collected from the scene for latent prints. A check of Leads Online was conducted for items taken during the burglary with negative results. Case closed.

Inv. Coleman conducted follow-up investigation into an ongoing Financial Exploitation of Elderly case. Inv. Coleman is in the process of obtaining banking information as well as video surveillance. Case pending.

Inv. Uher conducted follow-up investigation into an Unlawful Use of Credit Card incident. Inv. Uher was able to obtain and review surveillance video of the offender(s). A Critical Reach Flier was distributed to local agencies in an attempt to identify offender(s) and the vehicle they used. Case closed.

Inv. Coleman assisted the Day Shift with a Residential Burglary incident. Inv. Coleman processed the scene for evidence and documented the scene. Inv. Coleman also collected surveillance video from the area and developed two suspect vehicles. A Critical Reach Flier was later created and distributed to local agencies. Inv. Coleman obtained a detailed list of items taken during the burglary.

ARRESTS:

N/A

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Lyons Township Area Communications Center Executive Director Kim Knutsen spent the month of January working diligently on the CAD project coordinating training and software builds in preparation of the Centers õgo liveö date. Construction of the new Parking and Records Office is continuing and has a projected completion of mid-March.

AUXILIARY AND PART-TIME POLICE UNITS

The Auxiliary Unit volunteered 73 hours during the month of January. Time was spent conducting house checks, street lights out lists and various patrol duties. They also serve as a partner to patrol officers out on the beat.

The Part-time Officers made 18 traffic contacts, which included 12 citations. They were also active during the month conducting directed traffic patrols and assisting the full-time officers where necessary.

PARKING DIVISION

The parking division registered \$10,976 in parking fines through conventional payments, on-line payments, or collection efforts.

TRUCK ENFORCEMENT

The following totals represents the truck enforcement conducted by the patrol division as a part of their regular tour of duty for the month of January.

January 2017	7-3 SHIFT	3-11 SHIFT	11-7 SHIFT	TOTAL
Total # Of Traffic Stops	2	0	0	2
Stop Cards	0	0	0	0
Verbal Warnings For Violations	4	0	0	4
Parking Citations	0	0	0	0
Local Ordinance Violations	0	0	0	0
Compliance Citations	1	0	0	1
State Citations	4	0	0	4
DWLS/DWLR/No CDL/No DL	1	0	0	1
Warrant(s) Served	0	0	0	0
Misdemeanor Arrests	1	0	0	1
Felony Arrests	0	0	0	0
Trucks Weighed-Scales	1	0	0	1
Overweight (axle/gross/registration)	0	0	0	0
Overweight Bond Amounts	\$	\$	\$	\$
Truck Inspections Conducted	1	0	0	1
Overlength/Overwidth/Overheight	0	0	0	0
Safety Violations	1	0	0	1
Moving Violations	1	0	0	1
Non-Moving Violations	2	0	0	2
Registration Violations	1	0	0	1
Lane Violations (La Grange Rd)	0	0	0	0
Outside Agency Citations/OOS	0	0	0	0

Summary of Activities

PATROL ACTIVITIES	January		January		2017	2016
	2017		2016		YTD	YTD
NUMBER OF CALLS TAKEN	1,447		1,316		1,447	1,316
ACCIDENT REPORTS TAKEN	52		52		52	52
FELONY ARRESTS	1		1		1	1
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS	0		4		0	4
DUI ARRESTS	0		3		0	3
WARRANT ARRESTS	5		2		5	2
TRAFFIC VERBAL WARNINGS	225		176		225	176
COMPLIANCE CITATIONS ISSUED	38		55		38	55
TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED	80		26		80	26
PARKING TICKETS - by Officers	115	675	241	848	675	848
PARKING TICKETS - by Parking Div.	560		607			
JUVENILE ARRESTS	6		3		6	3
PRISONERS HELD IN LOCK-UP	15		9		15	9