



Police Crime Alert

Community Services Section

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Crime Alert for period ending date: Dec. 2, 2011

Assaults

1183 Combermere, 11/28/11, 9:15 am: Officers responded to report of a dispute between an employer and an employee that had turned physical. The employee had left the scene prior to the officer's arrival. Officers were able to negotiate the exchange of the employee's last check for power tools belonging to the company. The alleged assault remains under investigation.

Civil Issues

Troy Officers responded to one incident involving a landlord/tenant dispute in which there was no reason for formal enforcement action.

Troy Officers responded to a civil matter dispute concerning a judgment ordering the seizure of property.

Events & Programs

**Please click or go to the link
for community events**

<http://www.troymi.gov/calendar/>

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR TROY

DECEMBER 2011

December 3: **Christmas 1863 – An Old Fashioned Holiday, Troy Historic Village, 1-3 pm. The Village and Historic buildings will be bright with the holiday cheer. Visit with Santa, enjoy punch and cookies, and experience holiday traditions that originated during the Civil War. Special activities for children! Park at Zion Church, 3668 Livernois, and ride the free shuttle bus to the Village. Adults: \$8; Ages 6-12: \$3.**

Credit, Check, Identity Theft, Other Fraud

Two Identity Theft Reports

2000 block of Briarwood, 11/16/11-11/26/11: Complainant reports someone used his debit card account numbers to make four fraudulent on-line purchases. He has possession of his actual debit card and only the account numbers were used.

Macy's, 2850 W Big Beaver, 11/25/11, 3:30am: Complainant reports four fraudulent purchases were made on her VISA debit card at the store.

1000 block of Dorre, 11/28/11: Complainant reports someone used his identity to open a Home Depot account without his knowledge. The account is now in collections.

2000 block of Lovington, 11/1/11-1/28/11: Complainant reports someone used her identity without her knowledge to co-sign for a Sallie Mae loan. The loan is now in collections.

December 3: Deer Santa, Stage Nature Center, 9-11 am & 1-3 pm. Santa's reindeer are very famous and help him every year. Come out and discover all about our local deer on the special "Reindeer Trail." Inside, talk to Santa and receive a small gift. Ages: 3-8, Fee: \$14/person. Sponsored by Whole Foods.

December 7: Holiday **Christmas Tree Lighting, in front of City Hall, 7 pm. Santa comes to turn on the City's holiday lights. Sing-along with the Athens High Choirs, hear the Troy High Colts Drumline, enjoy hot cocoa, treats, and a visit with Santa. Sponsored by Genisys Credit Union. Bring a new, unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots, or mittens, hats & scarves for the Winter Warmer Tree.**

1000 block of Sutton Place, 11/5/11, 5pm: Complainant reports someone had their name added to his Chase business credit card. The complainant has never heard of the person who had their name added to his account. The card was used to get cash advances.

Macy's, 2800 W Big Beaver, 11/11/11, 2:48pm: Complainant reports someone used her Macy's credit card to make a fraudulent purchase from the men's department. The card was also used fraudulently at two other Macy's locations.

1000 block of Joshua, 11/25/11, 8pm: Complainant reports receiving an email from what appeared to be his Internet provider. The email stated there was a problem with his account and requested he update his information. The complainant replied to the email with his VISA card number and three-digit security code. He later became suspicious of the email request and contacted his Internet provider, who advised him that the email was fraudulent. Complainant encouraged to close the card account.

Domestic / Family Trouble

Check out an eBook: The Troy Public Library has eBooks for all of your tech devices. Downloading is easier than ever. Check out free eBooks and audiobooks for your smartphone, ereader, mp3 player, tablet and computer through the Overdrive Online Lending Library using your Troy Public Library card. Find classic and contemporary titles.

For more information, visit

<http://www.troylibrary.info/downloadable>

Troy City Council Members Seek Input from Residents & Business Community on Troy Multi-Modal Transit Facility

The Troy City Council would like input from residents and the business community at any of the remaining two 2011 City Council meetings on the proposed Troy Multi-Modal Transit

Troy Officers responded to eight incidents involving domestic disputes or family troubles during this reporting period. On-scene investigation of these incidents did not result in evidence of crimes being committed; however, Officers were required to take non-enforcement actions to either mediate the situation or keep the peace. Readers should be aware that although these incidents did not result in arrest or prosecution, they do represent significant law enforcement resources in terms of time, on-scene investigation, potential relocation of disputants, referrals to support agencies, peace keeping, as well as detective & prosecutorial review.

Drugs / Narcotics

I-75 & Crooks, 11/24/11, 1:41 am: A 24-year-old male from Detroit was arrested for “Driving While License Suspended.” Once in lock-up, the suspect was found to have a baggy of marijuana in his shoe and four MasterCard’s in his wallet that were not in his name. The suspect also had five outstanding warrants, one of which was for “Uttering and Publishing.” The suspect was issued a citation for “Possession of Marijuana.” The Troy Police Detective Bureau is following up on the credit cards.

Facility. Business leaders and residents are encouraged to give their viewpoints, pro and con during public comment as City Council members study this current issue.

The Troy City Council Meetings (Dec. 5 & 19) are held at Troy City Hall Council Chambers, 500 W. Big Beaver Road, at 7:30 pm. Comments can also be e-mailed to City Council Members at council@troymi.gov. City Council will make a decision at the December 19 City Council meeting to proceed with the Transit Center or abandon the project.

**Friends of the Troy Public Library
Friends Shop Ready for
Holiday Shopping**

Drunk/Intoxicated Driving Incidents of Interest

I-75 & Fourteen Mile, 11/23/11, 8:22 pm: Complainant reported a vehicle had struck his vehicle and fled the scene. Troy Police located and stopped the suspect vehicle south of the accident scene. The complainant told police that after the suspect vehicle struck his vehicle, both vehicles pulled off onto the shoulder of the expressway. The driver of the suspect vehicle got out of his vehicle, went to the rear of his vehicle, then got back into his car and fled the scene. Officers inspected the suspect vehicle and it appeared the suspect had bent up his license plate, presumably to keep the complainant from recording it. The accident deployed the airbag on the suspect's vehicle and caused major damage to both vehicles. The suspect smelled of intoxicants, had slurred speech and bloodshot eyes. The 39-year-old male from Redford Township failed sobriety tests and was arrested for "Operating while Intoxicated" and "Fail to Stop & ID at an Accident." Breath test results were .14%.

I-75 & Rochester, 11/24/11, 12:28 am: A citizen called 911 and reported that he was following a possible

Just in time for the holiday season, the Friends of the Troy Public Library Friends Shop is re-stocked and ready for shoppers. Located in the lobby of the library, the Friends Shop offers great gift items, toys for children, jewelry, stationary and more. Right now and through the holiday season, with the purchase of \$25 in the Friends Shop, customers will receive a free Friends Tote. The Friends Shop hours are Monday-Thursday noon to 6pm, Friday 10:30am-1:30pm and Sunday 1-4pm.

The Friends Shop carries a selection of books for a hint of the variety available in our popular downstairs Book Shop open Friday 10am-1pm and Sunday 1-4pm.

Donations for the Book Shop are always being accepted in the donation area next to the circulation desk. The Friends are excited to be back in business with both fundraising efforts

drunk driver. A Troy Officer located the suspect vehicle and observed it driving mostly in the next lane of travel. The vehicle was stopped and the officer noted the driver smelled of intoxicants, had bloodshot and watery eyes and appeared to be confused. The driver had very poor balance and failed sobriety tests. The 45-year-old male from Pontiac was arrested for "Operating while Intoxicated." Breath test results were .15%.

Big Beaver & John R, 11/24/11, 2:47 am: An off-duty Troy Police Officer reported a vehicle that was swerving in its lane and that had hit the curb multiple times. A uniform Troy Officer was dispatched and located the vehicle. The officer observed the vehicle swerve, almost hit the curb, then overcorrect and swerve in the opposite direction. The vehicle was stopped and the officer noted the driver had bloodshot eyes and smelled of intoxicants. The 23-year-old female from Sterling Heights failed sobriety tests and was arrested for "Operating while Intoxicated." Breath test results were .12%.

Big Beaver & John R, 11/25/11, 10:08 pm: Troy Officer observed a vehicle speeding. The officer activated his emergency lights, however the vehicle failed to stop. The officer then activated his siren, and the vehicle still

to continue promoting and supporting the Troy Public Library children's programs, special needs collection, Job Seekers, E-readers and more.

Would you like to share some time with Friends? Consider volunteering in the Friends Shop or Book Shop. We are happy to get you involved. Stop by for a volunteer application or go to our website at www.friendstpl.org. You can also visit us on Facebook.

Membership in the Friends is a vital part of supporting the library. Membership for an individual is just \$10 and membership information is available in both shops and on the Friends website. Membership will provide updates on the Friends many activities, ways to help TPL and coupons for the shops. Join the Friends and continue the great community support for our nationally ranked public library.

did not stop. The officer then noted the vehicle was weaving. The vehicle finally stopped for a red light. When the light turned green, the vehicle reacted to the emergency equipment activation and pulled over. The driver, a 75-year-old male from Clinton Township, smelled of intoxicants and had slurred speech. He stated he had “been at a wedding.” He failed sobriety tests and was arrested for “Operating while Intoxicated.” Breath test results were .13%.

I-75 & Fourteen Mile, 11/26/11, 3:04 am: Troy Officer observed a vehicle driving with a flat and shredded rear tire. The vehicle was weaving in and out of its lane. When the officer stopped the vehicle, the driver seemed unaware that he had a flat tire. The driver smelled of intoxicants and had glassy eyes. The 33-year-old male from Detroit failed sobriety tests, and was arrested for “Operating while Intoxicated.” Breath test results were .16%.

John R & Long Lake, 11/26/11, 7:25 am: Troy Police responded to a report of a three car injury accident. A vehicle traveling north bound on John R had crossed the center line and struck a south bound vehicle. The north bound vehicle then continued and struck a second south bound vehicle. All three drivers were treated by EMS crews and transported to an area

City of Troy Residents will need to call Oakland County Animal Control for all of their animal control needs @ 248.391.4102.

But dog owners in the City of Troy may purchase Dog Licenses at the Police Records Public Counter. Hours: Mon-Thursday 8am-4:30pm, Questions: 248.524.3437.

Attention Troy Parents

The Troy Community Coalition and other coalitions throughout Oakland County are collecting information about parental opinions and attitudes regarding underage drinking and we need your help. Please visit the online survey link below and help us determine the focus and strategies for

hospital. The driver of the at-fault vehicle, a 20-year-old male from Rochester Hills, was placed under arrest for "Operating while Intoxicated." He was released at the hospital pending further investigation.

I-75 & Big Beaver, 11/27/11, 1:49 am: Troy Officer observed a vehicle traveling on I-75 at a low rate of speed. The vehicle had its right signal on for an extended period of time, during which it swerved into the left lane and over the right lane marker several times. When the vehicle was stopped, the officer found that the driver smelled of intoxicants and had bloodshot/glassy eyes. The 44-year-old male from Detroit, was arrested for "Operating while Intoxicated." Breath test results were .18%. When the man was fingerprinted, his fingerprints came back to a different name. It was determined that the man had provided the arresting officer with a fake name. The male has an outstanding warrant for drunk driving out of Troy District Court under his real name, and his driver license is suspended.

I-75 & Crooks, 11/29/11 6:28 pm: Troy Officers responded to a report of a car driving into the ditch on I-75. The driver of the vehicle smelled of intoxicants, and had red and bloodshot eyes. She stated she had

prevention programs in the years ahead. Thank you for your time!

Please help. The survey won't take long and your response is anonymous! Thank you! Due date: Dec. 15, 2011.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ACHC-ParentSurvey-2011>

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55+ Fall/Winter Volleyball

Act. #148970F - \$140; Res. Disc \$120

**Senior volleyball teams
for persons 55 and older
practice at the**

**Troy Community Center
3179 Livernois**

**on Mondays & Thursdays from
9:30-11am**

**Now through the end of March. These
teams play in a Tuesday morning
league in Warren from November**

stopped at a bar and had a few drinks prior to the accident. The 55-year-old female from Clarkston, failed sobriety tests and was arrested for “Operating while Intoxicated.” Breath test results were .17%.

Dequindre & Hill, 11/29/11 11:52 pm: A Troy Officer on routine patrol observed a vehicle driving in the left turn lane at a high rate of speed. The vehicle nearly hit a vehicle in front of it, then passed the vehicle and accelerated rapidly. The officer activated his emergency equipment in an attempt to stop the vehicle. The vehicle continued while crossing the left and right lane markers. After the vehicle almost hit a car traveling in the opposite direction, the vehicle pulled onto a side street and stopped. The driver had slurred speech, glassy/bloodshot eyes, smelled strongly of intoxicants and seemed lethargic. He stated he was coming from “three different bars.” The 23-year-old male from Troy, performed extremely poorly on sobriety tests (could barely stand on his own), and was arrested for “Operating while Intoxicated.” Breath test results were .20%. The 23-year-old has one previous conviction for drunk driving.

Rochester & Wheaton, 12/1/11, 1:17 am: A Troy Officer on routine patrol observed a vehicle traveling in the

through March. Registration is required.

The *Troy Fifty Forward* senior newsletter is a bi-monthly publication of the Troy Parks and Recreation Department that contains 16 pages of information about activities and services for people 50 and older in the Troy area. E-mail subscriptions to this newsletter are available free at www.troymi.gov.

Click on SUBSCRIBE in the upper left corner. Enter your e-mail address and click GO. Confirm email address and click on SAVE. Then select Troy Fifty Forward News & Updates and click SAVE. In addition to the bi-monthly newsletter, you will receive announcements and reminders about upcoming programs and services.

wrong direction on Stephenson north of Maple (a divided highway). The vehicle was traveling northbound in the southbound lanes. The officer stopped the vehicle and spoke with the driver, who stated she had just left an area restaurant. The woman had bloodshot eyes and smelled of intoxicants. The 45-year-old female from Grosse Pointe Park, failed sobriety tests and was arrested for "Operating while Intoxicated."

Embezzlements

Macy's, 2750 W Big Beaver, 11/23/11, 3:00 pm: An employee of Macy's was arrested after Loss Prevention observed him stealing a pair of jeans. The 18-year-old male from Farmington Hills, was arrested for "Embezzlement" due to his employment at the time of the theft. His employment was also terminated.

Home Invasions

1000 block of Woodside, 11/23/11, 11am-1pm: Homeowner reports someone entered her home thru an

SUPPORT WATTLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Wattles Elementary School is part of the Oakland Mall "Will Your School Rule?" program. The program runs October 1st thru March 31st and we need your help! We get one point for every dollar our friends and families spend at the Mall. When you shop or eat at Oakland Mall, take your receipts to the information booth at the mall and tell them you are from Wattles. They will record how much you spent and give you back your receipt. The top 5 schools at the end of the program win cash prizes.

Please help us by telling all your friends, family and neighbors. Their purchases will also count toward our school. Just tell them to make sure

unlocked first floor window and stole a laptop computer. The homeowner's daughter had left the window unlocked after she climbed through it herself after being locked out of the house.

1000 block of Chopin, 10/20/11 – 10/21/11: Complainant reports that someone entered the home and stole a large amount of copper plumbing and heat registers. There were no signs of forced entry and the complainant has no suspects.

100 block of E Square Lake, 11/24/11, 10am-10pm: Homeowner returned home to find the back door standing open. Jewelry and electronics were discovered stolen from the home. The back door did not show any signs of forced entry; however, the homeowner believes the door was locked when she left for the day.

1000 block of Merriweather, 11/23/11-11/28/11: Homeowner returned after being out of town for several days and discovered his home had been broken into. Jewelry, electronics and cash were stolen. It appears likely that entry was made through a rear door wall. There are no suspects.

they say it's for Wattles Elementary.

Oakland Mall has over 100 stores and restaurants including Macy's, Sears and JC Penney. Several stores located in the Mall parking lot area also count toward this program including ABC Warehouse, Chili's, Henry Ford OptimEyes and Classic Auto Showplace.

CITY NEWS & INFORMATION:

Contact Numbers:

Community Affairs Dept: 248.524.1147

Troy Public Library: 248.524.3538

Stage Nature Center: 248.524.3567

Troy Community Center: 248.524.3484

Troy Museum: 248.524.3570

Golf Courses: 248.619.7600

1000 block of Kirts, 11/1/11 – 11/29/11: Complainant reports that clothing, jewelry and purses have been stolen from her apartment over the past month. When she first noticed items missing, she believed she must have misplaced them. Now due to the amount of items taken, she believes someone has been entering her apartment without her permission. There are no signs of forced entry. Investigation continues.

3000 block of Gloucester, 11/29/11 – 11/30/11, 11:00 pm – 6:00 am: Complainant reports returning home to discover her apartment had been broken into. Clothing and electronics were stolen and furniture and appliances were damaged. Entry may have been made through the living room window. An ex-boyfriend is suspected.

Larcenies

Athens High School, 4333 John R, 11/22/11, 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm: Student reports her iPod was stolen while she attended basketball practice. The iPod was stolen from her backpack, which had been left outside of her gym locker.

The Troy Police Department
offers the following free talks/seminars:

**Work place safety
Alcohol abuse and prevention
Safety with Strangers
Home Security Audit
Personal Security
Got Caught (Shoplifting talk for teens)
Choose Wisely (Right choices for teens)
Home alone (home personal safety for teens and children)
Drug and drug paraphernalia talk for adults and also teens
Identity Theft
Internet Safety for adults & teens
Harassing and Bullying Prevention for children
Retail Fraud Prevention**

If you or your organization has a program or discussion idea or need that a police officer can deliver please

StyleCraft, 1820 Brinston, 11/23-11/25/11, 6:30pm-9am:
Business representative reports five aluminum dies were stolen from a fenced yard. The complainant believes someone may have climbed the fence and thrown the dies over.

Kohl's Dept Store, 1265 Coolidge, 11/25/11, 8:15 pm:
Complainant reports leaving her purse on a store counter where she had set it down while making a purchase. The purse was stolen. When she telephoned her credit card company to report the theft, she was advised her credit card had been fraudulently used at the Troy Wal-Mart at approximately 8:30 am- Investigation is continuing.

100 block of Sheffield, 11/12/11: Complainant reports when she was moving from Troy to Lapeer she hired two subjects to assist her with the move. The subjects had approached the complainant's daughter looking for work, indicating they were homeless and living in a motel. The complainant hired "Al" and "Tonya" to help her move. The two took a bus to the complainant's home in Troy. They accompanied her in the rental truck to Lapeer, where they assisted her in unloading the truck. After the move, the complainant paid the couple and drove them back to their motel. Two days

call!

For more information or to schedule an officer to present a program please call:248.524.3464 or e-mail the crime alert at:

TroyPDCrimeAlert@troymi.gov

"Operation Medicine Cabinet"

Old medicine & prescriptions can be dropped off at the Troy Police Department Lobby during the hours the front desk is staffed. Mon-Fri: 7am-10pm and Sat & Sun: 8am-4pm.

Opening the World Through Words

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later she discovered the jewelry that had been in her jewelry box was missing.

TJ Maxx, 350 John R, 11/25/11, 8:50 pm: Complainant reports hanging her purse on a clothing rack so that she could try on an article of clothing. When she returned to the rack, her purse was gone. The complainant later located her purse under a clothing rack in another part of the store. Only the cash was missing.

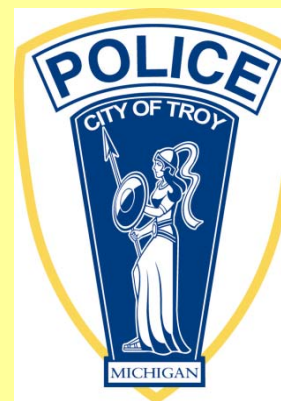
Troy High School, 4777 Northfield, 11/26/11, 11:45 am: Complainant reports setting her purse down on a table in the vendor area while attending a craft show. The purse was stolen.

1000 block of Rockfield, 11/27/11, 4:42 am: Troy Officers were dispatched to a larceny in progress. The homeowner reported that when she got up to let the dog out, she observed a subject carrying her husband's air compressor out of their shed. The homeowner yelled at the subject, who dropped the air compressor and fled on foot. The shed is under construction and can be easily accessed. The homeowner found numerous power tools missing from the shed. A Troy Officer and his K-9 partner tracked

English language instruction each year.

If you would like to experience the life-changing rewards of becoming a tutor, or if you know of anyone needing our help, please call the Oakland Literacy Council at 248.253.1617 or email us at: info@oaklandliteracy.net.

Make a difference in your community and someone's life!



Crime Prevention Tips

the subject. The track ended at a set of fresh tire marks in the mud. Officers found a plastic tarp with all of the complainant's stolen tools underneath it. The suspect is described as a white male, approximately 6 feet tall, wearing dark clothing.

Speed Industries, 1668 Thorncroft, 11/22/11, 9am-9:30 am: Business representative reports two catalytic converters were stolen from the rear yard of the business.

Restaurant Depot, 1304 E Maple, 11/25/11-11/26/11, 8pm-9am: Business representative reports industrial shelving beams were stolen from the rear of the building. It is believed they were stolen for their scrap metal value.

MedKas Hydraulics, 1419 John R, 11/23/11 – 11/25/11, 6pm-9:30 am: Business representative reports someone stole a 5 foot lighted wreath, with a Santa face in the middle, from the front of the building.

Kramer Triad Management, 320 E Big Beaver, Suite 190, 11/29/11, 4:30 pm – 7:15 pm: Employee reports an envelope containing cash was stolen from her purse when she left the office to attend a meeting.

If you would like to have the security of your residence or business inspected please contact the Troy Police Crime Prevention Officer at 248.524.3464

Home Invasion / B&E

Always secure your doors & windows.

- Garages and door walls are targets for thieves.
- Always ensure your garage door and pedestrian doors are secured.
- Do not leave garage door remote controls in cars not parked in the garage.
- Use 1 ½” dowel rod in the track of all sliding glass windows and doors to help prevent them from opening.
- It has been proven time and time again that the proper use and application of physical security will

Tire Wholesalers, 1735 E Fourteen Mile, 11/23/11 – 11/25/11, 7pm-8:30 am: Complainant reports two 24 foot trailers, containing appliances, furniture, tools and tires, were stolen from the site. Employees locked the gate on Wednesday evening. When they returned to the business following the Thanksgiving holiday they discovered the lock missing from the gate.

Zales, 212 W Fourteen Mile, 12/1/11, 1:51 pm: Store employee reports a man entered the store and asked to see some rings. The employee states that when she was taking back one ring and presenting the man with another, the man fled the store with a diamond ring. The man is described as a black male in his middle twenties, 5'6" tall, with a slim build. He was wearing an orange striped hoodie and baggy jeans.

Larcenies from Autos

2000 block of Lovington, 11/23/11, 9:15 pm: A citizen reported seeing a vehicle cruising the area. The citizen then saw a man kneeling between two vehicles and heard a reciprocating saw. The citizen approached the kneeling man, who fled on foot. Troy Police checked

stop a would-be burglar.

- **Burglar alarms are only as reliable as the person setting them. If you have an alarm, make sure that every resident or employee knows how to activate and deactivate it, as well as the security code.**

Larcenies from Autos / Car Theft

Things that can be done to combat auto theft and larcenies from autos include:

- **Installing a car alarm.**
- **Using steering-wheel locking applications like the club etc.**
- **Applications of a hidden kill switch to the ignition system.**
- **Park in a well lit well traveled area if possible.**
- **Always maintain security of vehicle**

the area and discovered a Pontiac Montana with the catalytic converter missing. The suspect is described as a larger black male, in his middle thirties, wearing a brown Carhartt jacket and a beanie cap.

2000 block of Somerset, 11/13/11-11/27/11: Complainant reports the catalytic converter was stolen from his Chevrolet Cavalier.

5000 block of Longview, 11/24/11, 6 pm-9:30 pm: Complainant was a visitor at the home. When she returned to her car, she realized she had left the vehicle unlocked. She checked the trunk, where she had left her wallet, and discovered that all of her credit and gift cards had been stolen.

Malicious Destruction of Property

Flagstar Bank, 2897 W Maple, 11/22/11, 9:15 am: Complainant reports a co-worker observed a vehicle intentionally drive over two curbs and crash into the front of his vehicle, then flee the scene. The vehicle is described as a black Chevrolet Tahoe, driven by a white female, with dark hair. The complainant has no idea who the suspect is, but believes it may be an

keys.

- **Do not leave anything of value in your vehicle in plain view.**
- Always lock your vehicle doors.
- Never leave a vehicle unattended while running.
- There is a trend of things being stolen from vehicles in the parking lots of fitness centers and fun centers. While going to these places, be extra careful to remove all items of value and secure your vehicle.

Fraud Prevention

- Remember that nothing that is worth anything is free.
- If someone that you do not know offers to do you a favor, they probably have an ulterior motive.

unhappy customer.

**5000 block of Faircastle, 11/27/11, 4:20 pm - 6:20 pm:
Mailboxes were run over at two separate residences.
There are no suspects.**

**30000 block of Dequindre, 11/23/11 - 11/27/11:
Homeowner returned home to find her mailbox had
either been run over or struck with a heavy object.**

**2000 block of Robert, 11/26/11 – 11/27/11, 9pm-2am:
Homeowner reports a glass bottle was thrown through
the rear window of a car parked at the home.**

Neighbor Troubles

**Troy Officers responded to three incidents involving
neighbor troubles in which there were no reasons for
formal enforcement action.**

Ordinance Violations

**2000 Bolingbrooke, 11/25/11, 4 pm: A 34-year-old male
from California, and a 19-year-old male from Detroit,**

➤ **Never give any personal information
out to an unknown source over the
phone or Internet.**

**(If someone asks for personal
information, ask to speak to his or her
supervisor and inform him or her you
will be calling the Police to make a fraud
report.)**

**No reputable business will call you
or email you for this information!!!**

➤ **If you receive a phone call or email
telling you that you have won
something that you did not apply for,
it is more than likely a fraud.**

➤ **No legitimate organization will ask for
any money or a Credit Card number
in order to claim a prize**

➤ **Protect yourself against identity theft
by shredding all documents and safe
guarding your account numbers,**

were issued citations for “Soliciting without a Permit”, after officers responded to a complaint that the two were going door-to-door selling magazines without a City of Troy permit.

Other

Troy Police responded to four sudden deaths during the time period covered by this report. No foul play suspected.

Phone Calls/Harassment/Threats

Five harassing or threatening telephone call/text message reports
One threat report
Three stalking reports

Retail Fraud

Macy’s, 500 W Fourteen Mile, 11/23/11, 2:30 pm: Macy’s Loss Prevention reported a Retail Fraud in progress.

social security numbers and credit card numbers.

- Always maintain your credit cards and secure the credit card numbers.
- If you suspect that you have been the victim of credit fraud, call your credit card company and have them run a query of your charges.
- Never give your bank account numbers over the phone. Especially if unsolicited!

Identity theft continues to be the fastest growing crime in the world, and the city of Troy is no exception. We continually get reports of identity theft and fraud on a regular basis.

While it may not be totally avoidable, detecting the early signs of identity theft is one of the best ways to avoid extensive losses and damage to your credit history.

The suspect selected a jacket in the men's department, carried it around for a short while and then proceeded to put the jacket on. Plainclothes Troy Officers arrived at the store; they observed the suspect at a cash register with a friend. The friend made a purchase, but the suspect carried the bag with the purchase inside. The suspect then selected a winter hat and concealed it in the Macy's shopping bag. After the suspect left Macy's and entered the mall, he was arrested by Troy Police. He was still wearing the stolen coat. The officer also observed the price tag sticking out of the back of the coat. The 20-year-old male from Warren admitted to stealing the coat and hat and was arrested for "Retail Fraud III". His friend was released at the scene.

Saks Fifth Ave, 2901 W Big Beaver, 11/23/11, 3:20 pm: An 18-year-old female from Pontiac, was arrested for "Retail Fraud II" after Loss Prevention observed her steal a pair of jeans. The woman has an outstanding warrant out of a neighboring jurisdiction for Retail Fraud III.

TJ Maxx, 350 John R, 11/23/11, 4:10 pm: Troy Officers were dispatched to a report of a retail fraud in progress where one of the suspects had pushed the Loss Prevention Manager to the ground and fled on

If your wallet/purse etc. gets stolen, cancel all stolen credit and ATM cards immediately.

Checking your credit history regularly is a great way to keep apprised on the status of your credit.

Here are three sources for checking your credit history:

(The titles are links to the webpages)

[Equifax](#)

1.800.525.6282

[Experian](#)

1.888.397.3742

[TransUnion](#)

1.800.680.7289

Check out these videos from the Federal Trade Commission on Identity Theft:

foot. Troy Officers searched the area, and were able to circumfuse the female suspect in Logan's Roadhouse Restaurant, sitting in an area where she was unlikely to be noticed. When the suspect saw a Troy Officer, she attempted to flee from the restaurant via the kitchen; however another keen officer was able to apprehend her. The 21-year-old female from Detroit, was arrested for "Retail Fraud I". The second suspect, a 23-year-old female from Detroit, cooperated with Loss Prevention when they approached her. She was also charged with "Retail Fraud I'. The second suspect had her 5-year-old son with her at the time of her arrest. He was turned over to a family member. Both women were observed by Loss Prevention stealing merchandise and concealing it in their purses. Both women have previous Retail Fraud convictions. The Loss Prevention Manager did not report being injured.

Neiman Marcus, 2705 W Big Beaver, 11/25/11, 1:20 pm: Two 18-year-old females, both from Birmingham, were arrested for "Retail Fraud I" after Loss Prevention observed them steal several articles of clothing. The women worked together, with one acting as a look-out, while the other selected and concealed the merchandise. Loss Prevention also

<http://www.ftc.gov/multimedia/video/scam-watch/fraud-inside-look.shtm>

<http://www.ftc.gov/multimedia/video/identity-theft/ddd-avoid-idtheft.shtm>



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TNS mission is to provide resources and education to inspire the appreciation and preservation of nature.

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recovered merchandise the women had stolen from the LuLuLemon store at Somerset.

Saks Fifth Ave, 2901 W Big Beaver, 11/25/11, 1:30 pm:
A 17-year-old female was arrested for “Retail Fraud I” after Loss Prevention observed her steal a jacket and two scarves.

Nordstrom, 2850 W Big Beaver, 11/25/11, 2:20 pm: A 15-year-old male was arrested for ‘Retail Fraud III’ after Loss Prevention observed him steal a pair of jeans.

Saks Fifth Ave, 2901 W Big Beaver, 11/25/11, 7:46 pm:
A 17-year-old male was arrested for “Retail Fraud II” after Loss Prevention observed him steal a Burberry scarf.

Loehmann’s, 805 E Big Beaver, 11/25/11, 9:15 pm:
Troy Officers were dispatched to a retail fraud in progress, in which the suspect had fled the store and had an approximately 5-year-old child with her. Loss Prevention reported they observed the woman steal 3 pieces of merchandise and conceal them in her purse. When Loss Prevention attempted to detain the woman, she resisted arrest and fled the scene with the

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child. Loss Prevention was able to recover the woman's purse which contained the stolen merchandise. The purse also contained the woman's personal belongings. Troy Police used the woman's driver license to identify her. Officers went to the 26-year-old female's residence in Sterling Heights and arrested her for "Retail Fraud II".

Sears, 300 W Fourteen Mile, 11/26/11, 1:48 pm: A 25-year-old male from Sterling Heights, was arrested after Loss Prevention observed him steal a video game.

Wal-mart, 2001 W Maple, 11/26/11, 9 pm: A 17-year-old male was issued a citation for "Retail Fraud II" after Loss Prevention observed him steal a camera and a charger.

Bath and Body Works, 440 W. 14 Mile, 11/27/11, 10 am: Store representative reports a woman stole 9 items of merchandise from the store. The store did not contact the police department until well after the incident had occurred.

Designer Shoe Warehouse, 600 John R, 11/28/11, 2:42 pm: Store representative reports observing a woman



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remove a pair of boots from their box and concealing them in her purse. When the woman was confronted, she stated she was going to purchase the boots; however, she placed them on the floor and left the store. The store representative discovered the woman had cut the security sensor off the boots. A separate security sensor was found lying on the floor, allowing the store to discover the woman had stolen a purse. The suspect is described as a black female who fled the scene in a red Dodge Stratus.

Champ's Sporting Goods, 412 W. 14 Mile, 11/28/11, 3:04 pm: Store employee reports a man and woman entered the store and asked to try on a pair of boots. The man asked to see the boots in a different size. The employee went to the back room to retrieve the requested boots. When he returned, he realized the couple had stolen the boots and fled the scene. The employee chased the couple and confronted them, but was unable to recover the merchandise. The suspects were described as a black male, and a black female, who fled in a red Chevrolet Impala.

Saks Fifth Avenue, 2901 W Big Beaver, 11/27/11, 6:08 pm: A 14-year-old male from Oak Park was arrested for "Retail Fraud II" after Loss Prevention observed him



The Troy Community Coalition is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for all who live or work in Troy, by promoting a lifestyle free from the abuse of alcohol and drugs.

Please feel free to contact any staff member for additional information or contact our office at 248.823.5088

Troy Community Coalition 4420
Livernois Rd. Troy, MI 48098

www.troycoalition.com

PARENTS...

Some say
"They're going to do it anyway."

stealing two shirts. He provided Troy Officers with a fake name, but officers were able to correctly identify him after speaking with his mother.

Lid's, 412 W Fourteen Mile, 11/30/11, 1:49 pm: Store employee reports a woman entered the store and stole merchandise from a sales rack. The employee recognized the woman from previous retail frauds at other Lid's locations. When the woman exited the store, she set off the security alarms. The employee approached the woman and requested she reenter the store. The woman dropped her coat and hat, and fled on foot. Eleven hats from Lid's were found in a garbage can near Macy's. The hats were returned to the store. Troy Officers found a cell phone in the discarded coat and were able to identify the suspect using the phone. The 23-year-old female from Detroit has outstanding warrants for her arrest, as well as previous convictions for retail fraud. The case has been turned over to the Troy Police Detective Bureau.

Sears, 300 W Fourteen Mile, 11/30/11, 3:00 pm: A 21-year-old female from Auburn Hills was arrested for "Retail Fraud II", after stealing three bottles of cologne.

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The harder we make it for them to drink, the less likely they will drink.

✓ Talk about it.

It's 10 o'clock.

Do you know where your child is?

Do you know what your child is drinking?

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We have tough decisions to make.

Here is an easy one.

Say "NO" to alcohol use.

NOT at home, NOT at a party,

NOT until 21. It's the law.

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**Troy Community Coalition for the
Prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse
www.troycoalition.com**

Attention Troy Parents

The Troy Community Coalition and other coalitions throughout Oakland County are collecting information about

Suspicious Incidents

Iowa & Dequindre, 11/24/11, 10:51 pm: A Troy Officer on routine patrol observed a vehicle pull into several driveways and turn off its headlights. The male passenger would exit the vehicle and then return to it seconds later. The officer stopped the vehicle. The driver, a 31-year-old female from Detroit was found to have a suspended driver license and 6 outstanding warrants for her arrest. The couple stated they were out “scrapping”. The male has a criminal history that includes home invasion and stolen property. The woman was arrested and transported to the Troy lock-up. The passenger, a 27-year-old male from Detroit, was released.

100 block of Kirts, 11/28/11, 12 pm: During a remodeling project, the homeowner discovered several sheets of counterfeit bills hidden inside of a wall. The family has lived in the home for over a decade. The bills have been forwarded to the United States Secret Service.

100 block of Barclay, 11/29/11, 1 pm: Homeowner reports her dog began barking and growly aggressively. When she looked in the backyard, she

parental opinions and attitudes regarding underage drinking and we need your help. Please visit the online survey link below and help us determine the focus and strategies for prevention programs in the years ahead. Thank you for your time!

The survey won't take long and your response is anonymous!
Please help. Thanks!

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ACHC-ParentSurvey-2011>

Due date: December 15, 2011.



Group Mission:

observed two subjects dressed in all black standing on the deck. Troy Police searched the area, but were unable to locate the subjects. It does not appear anything in the yard was tampered with.

5000 block of Windmill, 11/30/11, 11:14 pm: Homeowner reports that the motion activated flood light in his backyard activated. He looked out and saw two male subjects on the north side of his back yard. He yelled and the subjects took off. Troy Police set up an area perimeter and conducted a K-9 track. The track terminated a short distance from the area; likely due to the subjects entering a vehicle and driving away. Nothing appears tampered with at the home.

1000 block of Woodside, 12/1/11, 9:45 am: Complainant reports when she woke up in the morning she discovered the rear sliding glass door and screen partially open. Tire tracks were found in the grass, leading from the parking lot to the north side of complainants address. It does not appear entry was made to the home.

Vandalism

**Prevention of
juvenile delinquency and neglect
through citizen involvement and
volunteer activities.**

www.troyyouthassistance.org

248.823.5095

Troy Youth Assistance is committed to strengthening youth and families by preventing and reducing juvenile delinquency, child neglect and child abuse through community involvement.

Troy Youth Assistance is sponsored by the Oakland County Circuit Court-Family Division, the City of Troy and the Troy School District with major funding through the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

**Troy Youth Assistance Office,
4420 Livernois Troy, MI 48098.**

3000 block of Colwell, 11/23/11, 10:45 pm: Homeowner reports her home was “egged”. This is not the first incident in which eggs have been thrown at the home.

100 block of Miracle, 11/19/11, 3pm-7:15pm: Homeowner reports a large amount of dog feces was placed in his mailbox.

Welfare Checks

Troy Officers responded to one incident(s) involving a person(s) with emotional or psychological issues and assisted with transport to a hospital for evaluation and possible commitment.

Miscellaneous

CJ Mahoney, 2511 Livernois, 11/18/11, 6:45 pm: An employee was counting the register when he discovered three counterfeit twenty dollar bills. The bills appear to be photocopies. There are no suspects. The bills have been turned over to the United States Secret Service.



Troy People Concerned (TPC) is a service organization supporting Troy residents in times of need with assistance, information and referrals.

During these tough economic times, Troy People Concerned helps Troy residents who find themselves in crisis situations through job loss, illnesses, or various other dire situations. Assistance comes in the form of financial help for utilities and house payments or rent; transportation to

Rochester & I-75, 11/23/11, 7:12 pm: A Troy Officer observed a vehicle pulled over on the entrance ramp to I-75. A woman was outside the vehicle with her pants down, urinating. It was determined the woman was the vehicles passenger. She stated they were lost and that she had to urinate badly. She smelled of intoxicants. The driver, a 64-year-old male from Mount Clemens, was arrested on an outstanding warrant. When he was searched, a glass pipe used for smoking crack cocaine was located in his pocket. He was issued a citation for "Possession of Narcotic Paraphernalia." The passenger, a 29-year-old female from River Rouge, was arrested for "Urinating in Public". She also had an outstanding warrant. When officers impounded the vehicle they located additional narcotic paraphernalia, as well as an open and cold 40 ounce beer in the car. Once in lock-up, it was determined the female had provided officers with a fake name. Under her true name, the woman was found to have one felony warrant and four misdemeanor warrants. She was issued an additional citation for "Hindering and Obstructing a Police Officer."

John R & Fourteen Mile, 11/25/11, 7:20 pm: Troy Officer heard a prolonged car horn sounding and observed a male standing in a travel lane of John R. The man's

medical appointments; referrals to food and clothing pantries; and referrals to organizations and agencies that assist with job placement or job training.

Troy People Concerned relies solely on donations from individuals, local houses of worship, civic groups and businesses for its support. If you are interested in helping TPC, please mail donations to Troy People Concerned, 2045 Austin, Troy MI 48083. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer driver or adding your name to the list of people who provide leaf raking and yard clean up to Troy senior citizens, please call 248.528.9199.

Troy People Concerned...connects the community to provide a helping hand in times of need.

The Troy Community Chorus is looking

companion pulled him out of the roadway and onto the median. The male walked into the roadway a second time, and had to be retrieved by his friend. Officers spoke with the two, both of whom acted as if they were under the influence. Officers found the 17-year-old male from Madison Heights, who had stood in the roadway, in possession of Salvia (K2), and an empty bottle which smelled of marijuana. His friend, also a 17-year-old male from Madison Heights, admitted he had smoked marijuana. Both teens were turned over to their parents.

Somerset Collection, 2800 W Big Beaver, 11/27/11, 1:15 pm: Troy Officers on patrol were alerted by Mall Security of a possible shoplifter. The male was entering and exiting stores, repeatedly setting off the store security alarms. The suspect was carrying a Pier One bag (there is no Pier One at the Somerset Collection). Officers stopped the suspect and found he did not have the Pier One bag he had previously been seen with. Mall Security found the bag stuffed under some merchandise in the Express store. The bag contained merchandise stolen from three separate stores. The suspect admitted to stealing items from the stores and concealing them in the bag. The 42-year-old from Washington, Michigan was issued a citation for "Receiving and Concealing Stolen Property".

for people who like to sing. No audition required to participate in the full Chorus. Interested individuals need not be a Troy resident. Rehearsals on Tuesdays at Troy Athens High School, room 1620, 4333 John R Road (1/2 mile north of Wattles). The Troy Community Chorus has been providing musical entertainment for over 30 years. For more information, please contact Shirley Darge at 248.879.0138 or visit the Troy Community Chorus website: www.troycommunitychorus.org

The Benevolent Association of AFSCME Local 574 is comprised of members and friends of American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 574, which is one of the collective bargaining units with the City of Troy. These members

Vineyards & Vineyards Court, 11/28/11, 5:16 pm: Troy Officers were dispatched to a report of a suspicious vehicle parked in the area. Officers determined that the vehicle belonged to two individuals who were soliciting door-to-door. Both of the individuals had outstanding warrants for their arrest out of other jurisdictions.

2000 block of Charnwood, 11/20/11, 11 pm: Neighbor reports hearing a noise in his rear yard. When he went to investigate he found a man dragging a dead deer through the yard. When the neighbor asked the man what he was doing, the man dropped the deer and fled in a newer model charcoal gray GMC pick-up. The man is described as a white male, in his late thirties, 5'10" tall and 200 pounds. He was wearing a dark green coat and a matching knit winter cap with a brim. Troy Officers found the deer had been killed with a bow and arrow. The Department of Natural Resources has been notified.

Arrest Summary

In addition to those outlined above, the following arrests were made during the period:

work in these various departments within the City: Parks and Recreation, Water and Sewer, Streets and Drains, Fleet Maintenance and Engineering.

AFSCME Local 574, represents employees in Troy, Clawson, Rochester & Huntington Woods, and has established the charitable organization to, among other benevolent causes, fund a scholarship program for students in those communities.

The Troy Foundation awards an average of \$50,000 each year in educational grants for teachers and students in the school district. There are openings for golfers and opportunities for sponsorship. Visit www.troyfoundation.org/ for more information on how to become a part of the activity.

**One Personal Protection Order Violation arrest
Two Domestic Violence arrests
One Domestic Assault & Malicious Destruction of
Property Arrest
One Defrauding an Innkeeper arrest
One Felony Warrant arrest
Four Misdemeanor Warrant arrests
One Driving While License Suspended/Expired Plates/
Three Misdemeanor Warrants arrest
One Driving While License Suspended arrest
One Driving while License Suspended &
Possession of Marijuana Arrest**

**17th Annual Troy Police and Troy VFW Post Announce
Annual Holiday Food & Gift Drive**

**Every year the Troy Police Department and Troy VFW
Post 4037 co-sponsor a Holiday Food/Gift Drive. This
program includes food as well as gifts for Troy
Residents in need of assistance. Persons in need are
single individuals, senior citizens, couples, single**

***The mission of the Troy Foundation is
to strengthen the educational
experience of Troy School District
Students by funding innovative
learning opportunities, entirely
through private support. Proceeds
support educational programs,
enhance student development and
encourage creative teaching in the
Troy School District.***

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law.**

parent families, or entire families facing crisis. Troy People Concerned provides the list of those in need and the Troy Police Department and VFW Post 4037 assemble food and gifts for delivery in time for Christmas. VFW Post member and Troy resident, Charlie Solis started the Food/Gift Drive 17 years ago.

This partnership with the VFW Post, Troy People Concerned, and area businesses reflects Troy Police Department's mission to partner with the community and organizations to "enhance the quality of life in our community."

This year, the Police Department has experienced significant staff reductions and has had to reassess some of the services we have been able to provide, including several of our community service projects. Given the tradition and positive impact this project represents to not only the men and women of the Troy Police Department, the Troy VFW Post, and the community in general, it is our intent to remain committed to the program this holiday season, however we will scale back our involvement somewhat from past years. There are still other resources in the greater Troy community to assist those who normally would be receiving assistance



www.troychamber.com

On a bi-monthly basis, the Troy Chamber sends out an e-newsletter geared toward area residents. Each issue contains discounts and events being offered by local businesses. To receive it, e-mail: deb@troychamber.com

**Philanthropy Brooks' Way: A Case for Goodwill in Life & Business--
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during this holiday season and Troy People Concerned will be a referral source to match donors with recipients.

Non-perishable food can be dropped off at the Troy VFW Post during business hours. Monetary donations are also accepted in the form of a check made out to the Troy VFW Post 4037 (not the Police Department). Checks can be dropped off at the Police Department or the VFW Post.

For many businesses and families seeking to share their blessings this time of year, it has become a holiday tradition to sponsor a person or family from the list. Troy People Concerned is able to identify families with children who would otherwise not receive gifts at Christmas. We provide sponsors with the number of individuals, kids' ages, whether they are boys or girls, and in some cases, a wish list to assist in the purchase of appropriate gifts and food for the specific family. We will match your ability to assist with an appropriate person or family. The target date for this year's delivery is Friday, December 16th 2011. The Police Department and VFW Post 4037 oversee the deliveries to the families. We keep those we assist in complete confidence.

guests/\$29 non-members. Rsvp to: 248.641.8151, theteam@troychamber.com or www.troychamber.com/cal

Featuring *Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson*

Typically, when you think of Brooks Patterson speaking at an event, you think of economic forecasts and state of the county announcements. At this breakfast meeting, though, Patterson will take an unconventional approach. His content will contain more of his philanthropic side. Making a business as well as a personal case for involvement in the nonprofit community, Patterson will share his success with the Rainbow Connection and the Brooksie Way, a half marathon which was started and named in honor of his son who passed away unexpectedly in 2007. Also, he will share his passion for

The Troy Police Department Contact is Officer Andy Breidenich, 248.524.3464. The VFW Post 4037 contact is Mr. Charlie Solis, 248. 689.7289. VFW Post 4037 is located at 2375 East Maple, on the north side of Maple Rd., between John R and Dequindre. Troy People Concerned: 248.528.9199

City of Troy Residents will need to call Oakland County Animal Control for all of their animal control needs @ 248.391.4102.

But dog owners in the City of Troy may purchase Dog Licenses at the Police Records Public Counter. Hours: Mon-Thursday 8am-4:30pm. Questions: 248.524.3437.

**City of Troy Meets the New State Standards
for Accountability and Transparency**

getting involved and reasons it can and should become part of a company's culture.



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<http://www.troychamber.com/business.aspx>

The City of Troy has a long history of fiscal transparency, evidenced by the information contained on its comprehensive website, its community conversations and best practices of cost reduction and fiscal responsibility. City Management engaged in a massive restructuring initiative to take control of its future to assure that Troy would deliver municipal services in the most cost efficient and effective manner.

When the State of Michigan introduced the Economic Vitality Incentive Program (EVIP), it was easily determined that Troy could meet the new state standards. The Performance Dashboards proposed by Governor Rick Snyder would include those financial and operating measures that are most important to the government and its citizens. The Dashboards provide a quick assessment of a community's performance in five key areas that affect families today: economic strength; health and education; value for government; quality of life; and public safety.

"Troy has always been a very lean operation with a history of being fiscally responsible," City Manager John Szerlag said. "This Dashboard gives us one more way to provide transparency, accountability and a

2012 Winter Master Gardener Class

The MSU Extension-Oakland County Master Gardener Training Program will begin on January 26th and run through April 26th. The 13-week class, meets on Thursdays from 6-10pm. Each session focuses on a different horticultural topic that will prepare you to fulfill a 40-hour community service commitment to earn Master Gardener Certification.

Classes will be held at
Oakland County Service Center
Executive Office Conference Center
2100 Pontiac Lake Rd, Waterford
Call MSUE-Oakland County 248.858.0887
or email smithlin@oakgov.com
to request an application.

Applications also available at
www.oakgov.com/msu

Seats will be offered on a first come-first served basis so don't delay.

The application fee is \$25 and the class fee is \$300.

comparative analysis to our citizens. For more than 15 years, the City of Troy has worked to put best practices in place including engaging in a massive restructuring initiative during these tough times as well as many public and private partnerships.”

Troy’s Dashboard, along with providing the State’s mandatory requirements, which also include the Popular Annual Financial Report, also contains additional information such as its Best Practices Report and the Three Year Budget (2011/12 – 2013/14).

Residents can visit the City of Troy website at <http://troymi.gov/dashboard> to monitor trends and obtain detailed information.

**Troy Police Department Pistol Team Wins
9th Consecutive State Governor’s Cup**

The Troy Police Pistol Team competed in the state match pitting police departments against each other in

Deadline for applications Jan. 2, 2012

a test of pistol shooting accuracy and for the 9th consecutive year won first place. The team took home the Governor's Cup with a 5 person score of 1305 (out of a possible 1500 points). This score also included 13 direct hits on the center "x." The match was held at RV Grey Pistol Range in Jackson, Michigan on September 9, 2011 and the Troy team competed in the highest classification for comparative size departments-Class "A." All teams had to contend with a heavy rainfall that made the shooting more difficult, though it did not stop the Troy team's ability to garner their 9th consecutive title. The members of the team included: Sergeants Robert Wolfe and Frank Nastasi; Officers Milton Stansbury, Russell Bragg, Craig Fitzpatrick, Antonio Cascioli, Greg Stopczynski, and Peter Minton.

Discontinuation and Transfer of Animal Control Services

The Troy City Council Approved the transfer of the Troy Police Department "Animal Control Service" to the Oakland County Animal Control Services at the City Council meeting on Monday March 28, 2011.

City of Troy Residents will need to call Oakland County

Animal Control for all of their animal control needs @ 248.391.4102. But dog owners in the City of Troy may purchase Dog Licenses at the Police Records Public Counter. Hours are Mon-Thurs 8am-4:30pm. Questions, please call: 248-524-3437.

Their web site:

http://www.oakgov.com/petadoption/animal_control/

Oakland County Animal Control Services will responsible for the following:

- Respond to and investigate animal bites on any animal that may carry rabies.
- Respond 24/7 to calls involving animals that put the public at risk.
- Sell, process, and record the licensing of dogs.
- Impoundment, care for, and attempt to reunite stray dogs.
- Annual dog census.
- Investigations of reported animal cruelty.
- Support and administration for shelter operations and enforcement.
- Enforce the Dangerous Dog Act, including any vicious animals.

TROY RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES:

Do you want to receive future Troy Police Crime Alert Emails?

Email your name, address, phone number, & email address to:

TroyPDCrimeAlert@troymi.gov

Archives of crime alert

can be found at our website:

www.cityoftroypolice.com

[CrimeAlert Archive](#)

- Investigate and enforce multiple animal control law violations to include: wolf/dog breeding, ban on large carnivores, dog fighting, and suspected rabies cases.
- Sick and injured animals with the potential of rabies causing hazard to the public.
- Any wild animal in a residence living area, and a public hazard to the community.
- Animals running at large, other than cats.
- Found animals, other than cats which must be dropped off at the county facility.
- Welfare checks on animals left in vehicles. (Cruelty)
- Respond to assist police where animals are involved. (Arrest's, drug raids, etc.)
- Investigate and prosecute Dog Fighting Charges.
- Investigate suspected rabies in domestic and wild animals.
- Inspection and issuance of licenses to Kennels within Oakland County.

Oakland County Animal Control Services will not respond to the following (and neither will the Troy Police Department):

- Pick up stray and or nuisance cats, provide cat

impoundment, or return cat's to owners.

- **Noise/barking dog complaints.**
- **Number of dogs allowed in residence.**
- **Disturbance of birds and bird nest.**
- **Permits for domestic livestock or dangerous animals.**
- **Coyote complaints (DNR matter)**
- **Geese problems (DNR matter)**
- **Pick up injured wildlife and transport to wildlife or sanctuary.**
- **Annually inspect kennel facilities, unless claim of cruelty.**
- **Pet shop inspections, unless cruelty.**
- **Tethering, unless claim of cruelty.**
- **Feeding waterfowl.**
- **Hunting and trapping of animal violations, unless cruelty.**
- **Delivery of rabies specimens to Lansing for testing.**
- **Provide shelter quarantine of attack animals.**
- **Euthanasia of sick or ill-tempered animals for residents.**
- **All animal give-ups must be taken to the county facility. (costs incurred by resident)**
- **Picking up of dead animal carcasses on roadway.**

Troy DPW will pick up dead animals on the roadways. Dead animals on Private Property will be the private property owner's responsibility.

The Troy Police Department will respond to emergency calls concerning dangerous animals, such as a dog attacking a person.

**City of Troy Ranked as
the Safest City in Michigan**

On November 22, 2010, CQ Press released City Crime Rankings 2010-2011: Crime in Metropolitan America. CQ Press uses six crime categories to establish crime rate rankings for all cities with a population of at least 75,000 that report crime data to the FBI. The crime categories include: murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary and motor vehicle theft. The rankings in the CQ report are based upon data reported to the FBI for 2009.

According to the CQ report, Troy has the lowest crime

rate ranking in Michigan for cities with a population between 75,000 and 99,999. Nationwide, for cities with a population between 75,000 and 99,999, Troy is ranked 10th safest overall. For cities in the United States with a population of 75,000 and above, Troy is ranked 13th. Troy was ranked as the safest city in Michigan for cities with its population in 9 of the last 13 ranking periods, including the current one. Troy achieved “Safest City” rankings as high as 5th and 6th in the United States for cities with populations between 75,000 and 99,999 in 2006 and 2005, respectively. Troy has consistently ranked among the top 25 safest cities in the United States with populations over 75,000 since 1998.

The crime categories used by the CQ Press include all FBI Part 1 crimes, except larceny and arson. The City of Troy has experienced a general downward trend in the incidents of Part 1 crimes over the last 10 years, and crime in all categories for Troy reflects a similar downward trend over the same period. The number of Part 1 crimes reported to the Troy Police Department for 1999 – 2009 are as follows:

1999: 2,411 incidents	2004: 1,979 incidents
2000: 2,387 incidents	2005: 2,044 incidents
2001: 2,316 incidents	2006: 2,090 incidents

2002: 2,061 incidents 2007: 1,971 incidents

2003: 2,107 incidents 2008: 1,950 incidents

2009: 1,957 incidents

In 2009, there were only 74 violent crimes reported to the Troy Police Department, which represents less than 3.8% of the total Part 1 crime in Troy.

Murder:	0
Rapes:	17
Robberies:	14
Aggravated Assault:	43

Incidents of violent crime, which include murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault, are extremely low.

It should be noted that although 17 acts of criminal sexual conduct that occurred in Troy are classified as “rapes” in the FBI statistics, these types of assaults in Troy do not usually involve a victim being attacked by a stranger. They generally relate to incidents of criminal sexual conduct where one of the actors is a minor, complaints where incest or molestation by family members are alleged, or non-consensual acts between individuals who are acquainted with one another. In 2009, there was only one sexual assault involving a rape where the victim was forcibly assaulted by a suspect that she did not know.

This ranking represents a significant achievement not only for the men and women who work for the Troy Police Department, but for the community in general. It is a tribute to the residents; an excellent school system; strong prevention programs such as provided by the Troy Community Coalition, Boys and Girls Club, Troy Youth Assistance, and many others; an effective District Court; and an active business community. The current ranking for the lowest crime rate in Michigan, as well as the city's long term record in this regard reflects the high priority this community places on public safety. It reinforces the high quality of life that is offered in Troy. The Troy Police Department is dedicated to continuing to work with the community we serve, as well as City Management and City Government to assure this city remains a safe and attractive place to live, raise families, work, and recreate.

The current challenges this community faces in terms of budgets and shrinking resources are significant. However, results such as those reflected here not only reinforce Troy's strengths, but also place this city in a position to remain attractive to both residents and businesses as we attempt to face

these challenges and move ahead into the future.

In commenting on the latest ranking, Troy Police Chief Gary Mayer not only reinforced the overall accomplishment this represents for the community, but the dedication and quality of the employees of the Troy Police Department. The Chief stated, “The Troy Police Department is made up of professional men and women who work hard to solve problems and provide this community with a level of law enforcement service that is second to none. We value the resources we have been provided to both prevent and solve crime. As we move forward in the face of current challenges, this organization will remain dedicated to utilizing these resources both efficiently and effectively to maintain Troy’s exceptional record for public safety.”

City Manager John Szerlag also reinforced these latest rankings as a significant accomplishment. Mr. Szerlag stated, “Both City Management and City Government have worked closely with the community to ensure public safety remains a priority, even in the face of these difficult times. In addition to the excellence of the Police Department that is reflected in these rankings, this achievement

also underscores the contributions that the Fire Department and other city departments involved in public safety contribute to the overall quality of life in this community. We look forward to continuing to work with this community to ensure that this demonstrated record of success does not become a tribute to the past, but is a strength that we carry forward and maintain into the future.”

