

[WEEK OF DECEMBER 23, 2013](#)

Waite Park Police: Theft from Vehicle

On 12/24/13 officers were called to a vehicle break in. The vehicle owner reported that his vehicle was unlocked and someone entered it and took 3 pairs of Oakley sunglasses, 1 Stereo, 1 Amp, 1 Sub and a black back pack with books.

Waite Park Police: Property Damage

On 12/23/13 officers were called to the 10 block of 1st St N for a damage complaint. The homeowner reported the front door to the home was broke open. Nothing was missing from the residence.

St Cloud Police: Business Burglary

On 12/23/13 officers were called to a business at 318 Lincoln Ave NE for a burglary complaint. The business reported a window screen was cut and a 32 inch TV was taken.

Waite Park Police: Theft from Vehicle

On 12/20/13 officers were called for a report of cash and medications missing from a vehicle at 4201 Division St W. The items were taken out of a purse that was left inside a vehicle. There were not any signs of forced entry, but the vehicle owner believes they locked their vehicle.

Foley Police Department: Missing Person

Jamie Robert Wylie, 31 from Foley has been missing since 12/10/2013. He was last seen in Sauk Rapids on 12/10 at about 11:30 am. Police do not believe Jamie has a vehicle.

White Male, 5'8", 160 lbs, Blue Eyes, Brown Hair

He also has two tattoos: One on this left wrist "Dana" and another on his right forearm "Jace"

If you have any information about his whereabouts please report it to Crime Stoppers or Law Enforcement.



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Waite Park Police: Theft of Tires and Rims

On 12/12/13 received a complaint that a vehicle parked in an apartment building parking lot on 15th Ave N had 2 sets of tires and rims taken off the vehicle. The vehicle is a 2011 Mazda 3.

Stearns County Sheriff: Daytime Home Burglaries

Between 12/9 and 12/16/13 two daytime home burglaries were reported. Both residences show forced entry and both had smaller safes taken containing large amounts of cash. One occurred in rural Munson Township and the other in Brockway Township. From the information they have it appears the Munson Township burglary happened in the morning to early afternoon hours.

[WEEK OF DECEMBER 9, 2013](#)

Waite Park Police: Theft

On 12/9/13 at 2111 hours officers were called to a home on 2nd Ave S for a report of a package stolen from a home. Delivery company has a time of delivery, but package was not at recipients home.

During this gift giving season many packages are being delivered to homes. When placing an order online please make sure it is a secure site to enter a credit card and try to have the package delivered to a location where it can be received and placed in a secure location.

St Joseph Police: Theft

St Joseph's Catholic Church in St Joseph reported figurines from their nativity display were stolen. After the news hit the paper a few of the figurines have been returned. They are still looking to have the rest of the figurines returned. They believe a cow and a sheep are still missing.

Waite Park Police: Theft

On 12/6/13 officers responded to a report of a stolen 1968 Jacobson lawn tractor. The tractor is described as having a 7 hp motor, a snow blower and a mower deck. The tractor is orange and has chains on the tires.

[WEEK OF DECEMBER 2, 2013](#)

Waite Park Police: Theft

On 12/2/13 at 1304 hrs Waite Park responded to a theft complaint on the 1000 block of 7th St S. The complainant reported he rents a garage at this location. When he arrived at his garage he noticed a set of rims and tires missing. The rims are Ion brand and the tires are Cooper Discover AT3's.

Waite Park Police: Theft from Vehicle

On 11/29/13 at 1356 hrs officers responded to a theft from vehicle complaint. The victim stated they may have left their vehicle unlocked and someone took a birth certificate, a social security card and a medal in the shape of California.

Waite Park Police: Theft from Vehicle

On 11/30/13 at 0842 hrs officers responded a theft from vehicle complaint on the 1000 block of Diamond Willow Circle. The vehicle was parked in the driveway and unlocked with someone entered the vehicle and removed a 3/8 reversible drill motor, a sawzall and a plastic tub of pennies.

Waite Park Police: Theft from Vehicle

On 12/3/13 at 2013 hrs officers responded to a theft from vehicle complaint on Arbor Street. The complainant reported she stopped to visit a friend between 1200-1600 hrs. When the victim returned to the vehicle they noticed their Dell Inspiron laptop (black and silver) with a Swiss Gear black laptop case, a college sociology text book and a computer charger were missing.

[WEEK OF NOVEMBER 25, 2013](#)

St. Cloud Police: Fraud/Theft Incidents

*****UPDATE: ARRESTS MADE*****

On 11/27/13 the St. Cloud Police Department reported two juvenile males have been arrested in connection with these crimes. Arrested was a 16 year old male from Waite Park and a 13 year old male from St. Cloud. The juveniles involved had already purchased over \$1,000 in merchandise with the stolen credit cards and attempted to purchase another \$2,000.

Original Alert

The police department has taken multiple theft/fraud complaints that appear to be similar in nature. Several juveniles will enter a business and will attempt to solicit donations for an organization (St. Cloud Junior High Baseball Team, a Basketball Team, Boys and Girls Club). The juveniles will then ask to use the bathroom to gain access into employee areas, and will steal purses and wallets, ultimately taking cash and credit cards. The juveniles will immediately use the stolen credit cards to purchase merchandise before the owner of the card is aware that it has been stolen, and cancel the card. Current investigations include incidents at Crossroads Mall and the St. Cloud Times.

The police department would like to recommend that local businesses refrain from allowing customers into areas in which employee property is kept. Businesses should make attempts to contact the organization in which the donation is being asked for to verify the validity of the solicitation.

Waite Park Police: Theft from Vehicle

On 11/23/13 at 2358 hours officers received a theft from vehicle complaint at 12 Division St. The complainant stated he left his vehicle parked in the lot from 0800-2358. During this time someone entered his vehicle and took two pairs of Oakley sunglasses, a MN driver's license, a bank card and a store card.

[WEEK OF NOVEMBER 18, 2013](#)

Sherburne County Sheriff: Stolen Vehicle and Theft from Vehicle

On 11/18/13 a crash was reported on near 293rd Ave NW and 144th St NW. Officers arrived to find the vehicle unoccupied. When they made contact with the vehicle owner he was sleeping and stated the vehicle was taken without his permission from his garage. Further investigation revealed that their other vehicle was broken into.

Sherburne County Sheriff: Burglary

On 11/10/13 at 1400 hours officers were called to a forced entry residential burglary complaint on the 12000 block of 3rd Ave N in Zimmerman.

Sherburne County Sheriff: Theft of Trailer

On 11/17/13 at 1332 hours officers were called to a reported theft of a trailer. The complainant reported that his trailer had lost a wheel so he left it on the side of road near Hwy 10 and County Road 14 NW. When the complainant returned his trailer was missing. The trailer is described as a double axle trailer with a blue tarp over 2 couches and misc trash bags.

Waite Park Police: Vandalism

On 11/18/13 at 2042 hours officers responded to a vandalism complaint on Aspen Circle. The complainant stated some time overnight someone broke the two front windows of his vehicle.

Waite Park Police: Property Damage

On 11/19/13 at 1453 hours officers responded to a property damage complaint. A business on Great Oak Drive reported that a pickup parked in a fenced in area near the business was damaged. Someone threw rocks at the vehicle causing damage to the windshield, driver's window, hood, driver's door and fenders.

Benton County Sheriff: Theft

On 10/13/13 at 0500 hours a theft occurred on Quail Road NE, Sauk Rapids. Taken from inside a secure fenced in area was a pull behind lawn vacuum, pull behind lawn mower and a homemade snowmobile trailer. A picture of the suspect vehicle is shown here.



Benton County Sheriff: Theft

In the overnight hours of 11/15 and 11/16/13, 60 tires and rims were taken off of vehicles belonging to a car dealership stored on 21st Ave NE, St. Cloud.

Waite Park Police: Attempted Entry

On 11/14/13 at 1127 am officers received a complaint about an attempted entry on the 1000 block of 2nd St S. Officers arrived to find the back door had been pried open, but no items were missing. Other businesses in this complex had been broken into earlier in the week.

Waite Park Police: Property Damage

On 11/17/13 it was reported that a home on Aspen Drive had all of the Christmas light cords cut during the night.

Waite Park Police: Theft from Vehicle

On 11/17/13 it was reported that 2 vehicles had been broken into on the 400 block of 33rd Ave S. One vehicle was missing a stereo system.

Waite Park Police: Burglary

On 11/18/13 at 0654 it was reported that a burglary occurred at a business located on the 500 block of Sundial Drive. The suspect(s) broke a window and took an undisclosed amount of money from the business.

[WEEK OF NOVEMBER 11, 2013](#)

Waite Park Police: Theft from Vehicle

On 11/10/13 it was reported that a vehicle was broken into on the 10 block of Division St. The complainant had left their purse on the floor of the front seat. There was no sign of forced entry. Cash and credit cards were taken, but the purse was still in the vehicle.

Waite Park Police: Burglary

On 11/10/13 it was reported that a window was broken and items were missing from an apartment unit on the 200 block of 3rd St S. A Sansuni TV, Samsung laptop computer, Xbox and 5 pairs of Air Jordan shoes were taken.

Waite Park Police: Burglary

On 11/11/13 a burglary was reported on the 1000 block of 2nd St S. There was no sign of forced entry, but cash was taken from the business. Another business reported their business appeared to have been gone through, but nothing was missing. There were signs of forced entry on a third business, but nothing appeared to be missing.

Stearns County Sheriff's Dept: Theft from Vehicles

In the late hours of Nov 3rd to the early morning hours of Nov 4th, many vehicles, located in the housing addition just North of Avon in the area of County Road 155 and Parkwood Circle, were entered and miscellaneous items were taken. All of the vehicles entered were unlocked and parked in the driveway. Items taken included money, checkbooks, keys and a small caliber handgun.

Avon Police Department: Theft from Vehicles

On 11/4/13 Avon Police also took reports of vehicles being broken into. Electronics such as iPods and cash that had been left in the vehicle were taken.

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3, 2013

Benton County Sheriff's Dept: Theft of Mail

Around 10/31/13 Benton County Sheriff's Dept was called to a rash of mail thefts from several business mailboxes along Quail Road. The suspects washed and rewrote many checks and cashed them at several stores and banks in the St. Cloud and Sauk Rapids area.

Benton County Sheriff's Dept: Theft from Vehicles

Benton County Sheriff's Dept received 13 reports of thefts from vehicles in the residential areas between Oak Hill Golf Course and Little Rock Lake. Unlocked vehicles were targeted and money, electronics and purses were taken.

Waite Park Police: Theft

On 10/30/13 it was reported that 4 metal racks were stolen from behind a business on 3rd St NE in Waite Park. The racks are solid metal and custom made.

St Cloud Police: Burglary

A garage on the 1400 block of 2nd St SE was burglarized. A large number of radio controlled cars, boats and planes were taken.

St Cloud Police: Stolen Vehicle

A 2001 Silver Cadillac Deville 4 door sedan, MN license VPD 454 was taken from the 1900 block of Veterans Drive.

St Cloud Police: Robbery

On 10/21/13 at 1418 hours a male victim reported that 4 male suspects took property from him on the 10 block of 12th Ave NE. The victim also reported that one of the suspects was in possession of a firearm during the incident. No injuries were reported.

St Cloud Police: Robbery

On 10/22/13 at 2009 hours a male victim reported that 2 males robbed him at gunpoint on the 10 block of 5th Ave S. The suspects took property from the man, but no one was injured.

WEEK OF OCTOBER 14, 2013

Waite Park Police: Burglary

On 10/10/13 at 0411 hours officers responded to an alarm on the 1000 block of Division St W and found the door to the business to be smashed with a large rock. A cash register was taken.

Waite Park Police: Theft

On 10/9/13 at 1609 hours it was reported that a homemade trailer was taken from the 300 block of 33rd Ave S in Waite Park. The trailer is described as a 7 ½ by 18 foot long with grey diamond plating around the bottom. It has a white roof

and the steel frame is black except for 2 ft in the back that is grey. The inside has pine tongue and groove with forced air in the interior.

[WEEK OF OCTOBER 7, 2013](#)

Waite Park Police: Stolen Motorcycle

On 10/3/13 at 1805 hours it was reported that a black Kawasaki Ninja motorcycle was taken from the 1100 block of 7th St S.

St Cloud Police: Bank Robbery

On 10/3/2013 at 1544 hours officers were dispatched to a robbery in progress at TCF Bank. *Photos of the suspect were released to the public.* The suspect is a white male wearing a black, zip up hooded sweatshirt with "Asian Foods" across the back and on the front left side.

[WEEK OF AUGUST 12, 2013](#)

St. Cloud Police: Multiple Garbage Dumpster Arson Fires

On 8/12/2013 between the hours of 1:30 am and 2:30 am St. Cloud Police Officers and St. Cloud Firefighters were dispatched to multiple complaints of garbage dumpsters on fire in close proximity on the Southside of St. Cloud. Fortunately all fires were extinguished before causing any structural damage to any nearby structures.

There have been a significant amount of these types of fires over recent months with a particular emphasis on occurring on the Southside of St. Cloud in the general boundaries of N/S MN HWY 23 to University Drive S and E/W 5th Ave S to 9th Ave S.

The St. Cloud Police Department in conjunction with the St. Cloud Fire Department and State Fire Marshal's Office are seeking the public's help in identifying the suspect(s) of these crimes.

Citizens with any information relating to these crimes, no matter how insignificant you may think it is are urged to call the St. Cloud Police Department at 320-251-1200 or Tri-County Crime Stoppers at 320-255-1301, 1-800-255-1301, or at www.tricountycrimestoppers.org

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St. Cloud Police: Bank Robbery

On 08/09/2013 at approximately 1700 hours, Saint Cloud Police Officers responded to a robbery at 3210 Division Street West (American National Bank of MN).

A male described as Caucasian, 5'10"-5'11", light to medium build, approximately 60-70 years of age, grey hair with a scruffy face, displayed a handgun and demanded money. The male was given an undisclosed amount of money and left the bank. The male was observed leaving the scene in a newer Dodge hatchback, red or maroon in color, similar to a Caliber.

The suspect was further described as wearing blue jeans, a long sleeve tan or grey shirt/jacket, and a dark colored

undershirt. The suspect was wearing a dark colored baseball cap with an unknown logo on the front of the hat.

Anyone with information on this male suspect is asked to contact the Saint Cloud Police Department at (320) 251-1200 or Tri-County Crime Stoppers at (320) 255-1301. The Saint Cloud Police Department is working with the local Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office to investigate this matter.



[WEEK OF JULY 1, 2013](#)

Tri-County Crime Stoppers: Fund Raiser Brat Sale

Tri-County Crime Stoppers will be conducting our annual brat Sale fund raiser on Tuesday, July 2nd; and Wednesday, July 3rd, at the Coborn's Superstore in Sauk Rapids.

Hours are from 11:00am to 6:00pm on both days.

Your support will be appreciated.

St. Cloud Police: Traffic Accident with Injuries, Witness Information Needed

On 7-2-2013 at 1036 hours, officers responded to 13th Street North and 9th Avenue North for an accident with injuries. Upon arrival Officers determined that a small sport utility type vehicle driven by 43 year old Abdulkadir Aden Arab of St. Cloud, left the roadway and struck a semaphore pole at the Southwest corner of the intersection.

Prior to the collision the vehicle had been traveling Eastbound on 13th Street in the 900 block when for unknown reasons the vehicle left the roadway.

The driver, Arab, was cited for Careless Driving. Two passengers in the vehicle, 45 year old Abdi K Dahir of St. Cloud, and 66 year old Amina Shire Abdi of St. Cloud were also injured in the accident. All three occupants were transported to the St. Cloud Hospital by Gold Cross Ambulance with serious but non-life threatening injuries. No other vehicles or pedestrians were involved in the accident.

Assisting with the accident scene was the Minnesota State Patrol, and the St. Cloud Fire Department.

Any persons that may have witnessed the accident are asked to call the St. Cloud Police Department at 251-1200 or Tri-County Crime Stoppers at 320-255-1301.

St. Cloud Police: 2 – Separate Gunshot Incidents

Officer's responded to (2) separate gunshot complaints; the first being on 6/23/2013 in the 1000 block of 9th Ave South at 2302 hours, and the second being on 6/24/2013 in the 10 block of Rivercrest Dr at 0053 hours.

Responding officers did confirm that shots were fired at both scenes. Nobody was injured, and the victims were the same in both incidents. No arrests have been made.

Both cases are actively being investigated by the Central Minnesota Violent Offender Task Force in conjunction with the Criminal Investigation Unit of the Saint Cloud Police Department.

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Post Storm Damage: Scam Alert

After severe storms caused extensive damage in the tri-county area Friday night, authorities and consumer advocates are warning homeowners to be on guard against unscrupulous roofing and contracting firms, who can be quick to collect insurance payments but then do little, if any, work.

Despite increasing public awareness and the best efforts of law enforcement, consumers nationwide continue to fall victim to unethical contractors. It is suggested that consumers protect themselves by researching any contracting business thoroughly before signing a contract.

Typical consumer complaints involve shoddy or incomplete work, lengthy delays, difficulty communicating with the company, an unwillingness to honor warranties and issues with billing.

Alarm bells should go off:

- * Anytime a homeowner is approached by a stranger claiming he or she can get your roof replaced for nothing or next to nothing.
- * Traveling salesmen who come knocking on your door immediately after a disaster
- * High-pressure sales tactics
- * Demands for up-front payments
- * Demands for an immediate decision
- * Advance-fee loans that "guarantee" a loan to rebuild your home or business

The following are some tips for consumers looking to hire a contractor to repair storm damage:

- * Before signing any agreement, check with your insurance company and read your policy carefully to determine the extent of your coverage. In many instances, your insurer already has relationships with well established, reputable companies.
- * Know who you are dealing with. Find out where the company is headquartered and how long it has been doing business in your community. Does the company have an established office in your area or simply a postal box? Watch

for out-of-state phone numbers and license plates.

- * Find out whether the contractor is bonded and insured against accidents or issues with workmanship. Ask to see copies of this paperwork. If a company is soliciting business door-to-door, does it have a legitimate soliciting permit? If you are unsure, call your local government officials to find out.
- * Ask the company for references and call those property owners. Ask them whether the jobs were performed as agreed and if they were satisfied with the results.
- * Ask for a written contract and read it to ensure that everything mentioned by the salesperson is included. Make sure it includes all details of the work as well as when and how payments are to be made and when work will be completed.
- * Find out if there is a cancellation penalty if you terminate the contract before the work begins.
- * Beware of any company that suggests you do not have to pay your insurance deductible. Such a claim is illegal in many states.
- * Get more than one estimate. Obtain at least three bids for major repair work and check references. Be cautious if one of the bids is much lower than the others.
- * Do not pay the entire amount in advance. Hold back a portion of the payment until all work is completed to your satisfaction. In many instances, materials represent about one third of the total cost to the contractor. It is reasonable for the contractor to secure their interest in the materials upfront, but withholding payment beyond this puts you in a better position to ensure the work is completed properly and on time.

Anyone with information regarding possible scams should contact their local law enforcement agency: or Crime Stoppers at 255-1301, or at www.tricountycrimestoppers.org

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[WEEK OF JUNE 10, 2013](#)

St. Cloud Fire and Police: 3 – Arson Trash Bin fires

The St. Cloud Fire Department is looking for information about a number of trash bin fires that have been occurring in the city.

Early Wednesday the fire department was called to three trash bin fires. They were all reported around 5 a.m. and occurred in the 300 blocks of Sixth Avenue South, Seventh Avenue South and Eighth Avenue South. Battalion Chief Leon Faust said there has been a rash of trash bin fires this spring.

Anyone with information regarding the above incidents is urged to contact the arson hotline at 800-723-2020 or Crime Stoppers at 255-1301, or at www.tricountycrimestoppers.org

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Foley Police: Kidnapping

Police are looking for a suspect who kidnapped an employee at the Coborn's in Foley early Wednesday and forced the employee to drive him to the Twin Cities.

The incident happened at 2:50 a.m., according to Foley's interim police chief Katie Lang. The employee was released in

the Twin Cities uninjured. The Chief declined to release information about the suspect, but said late Wednesday morning that the suspect had not been detained.

The suspect forced the employee from the store, into the parking and into the employee's vehicle.

Anyone with information about the incident can call Foley police at 968-0800 or the Benton County Sheriff's Office at 968-7201.

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[WEEK OF JUNE 3, 2013](#)

Waite Park Police: Theft from Storage Units

On 6/6/2013 at 0814 hours Waite Park Officers responded to a report of a few storage units that were broken into overnight on the 3000 block of 3rd St S. Entry was gained by cutting the locks off the storage units.

There has been an increase in storage unit thefts over the last year. Make sure to secure your property and report any suspicious activity especially around storage unit facilities.

Anyone with information regarding the above incidents is urged to contact the Waite Park Police Department at 320-251-7393 or Tri-County Crime Stoppers at 320-255-1301, 1-800-255-1301, or at www.tricountycrimestoppers.org

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Waite Park Police: 3 New Cases

Theft from Vehicle

On May 26th and May 27th, Waite Park Police responded to two reports of vehicles being broken into. One was on 2nd Ave S and the other on Frontage Rd N in Waite Park. One person reported their driver's side door handle was broken and the other reported their window was broke out. Both were missing items out of their vehicles.

Burglary

On May 25, 2013 Waite Park officers responded to two reports of burglaries at businesses located on the 700 block of 2nd St S. An undisclosed amount of cash was taken from the business.

Theft

On June 1, 2013 Waite Park officers responded to a report of plants and flowers being stolen out of a yard in the 200 block of 4th Ave N. Someone dug up plants and flowers around the yard and took them.

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Investigation into an armed robbery complaint continues

St. Cloud Police: Attempted Residential Burglary

On Friday, 5-31-2013 at 10:15pm, officers responded to a report of an attempted burglary on the 900 block of Ninth Avenue Southeast.

A witness told police that someone rang the doorbell at the residence and while the home was occupied at the time, no one responded. The witness later heard the screen of a bathroom window being taken off and the bathroom window being opened. According to police, the witness yelled and the suspect fled,. No one was injured and nothing was taken in the incident.

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[WEEK OF MAY 20, 2013](#)

St. Cloud Police: Gunshot Complaint

Police are seeking public help regarding gunshot complaint.

On 5-18-2013, at 2041 hours, police responded to a gunshot complaint in the 3700 block of 3rd Street North. Caller advised hearing and seeing shots being fired in the area of Short Stop Restaurant. The suspect(s) left the scene prior to police arrival in a vehicle described as a red or maroon colored PT Cruiser with a sunroof and tinted windows.

Officers confirmed that a firearm had been discharged at the scene. No injuries were reported. Investigation continues.

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St. Cloud Police: Armed Robbery

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An Orlando Michael Jravha Walker, 28 of St. Cloud, was arrested yesterday morning, during an investigation into an armed robbery complaint. Walker and another male suspect brandished a handgun and stole several items from the victim in this incident. Walker and the other male left the scene in a motor vehicle, that was later located by police and

Walker was taken into custody. Walker is currently being held at the Sherburne County Jail on charges of Aid and Abet Aggravated Robbery.

Investigators would like to speak to the citizens that were in the area at the time of this incident, as this investigation is ongoing, and more arrests are likely. The Criminal Investigation Unit assisted with this investigation.

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[WEEK OF MAY 13, 2013](#)

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Investigation into an armed robbery complaint continues

[WEEK OF MAY 6, 2013](#)

Waite Park Police: Vehicle, Mailbox Break Ins and Thefts

Waite Park Police has been receiving numerous calls about vehicles being broken into all around town. Please take your personal belongings out of your vehicle and lock your doors. It is also important to record serial numbers of your stereo, iPod, cell phone or any other electronics you have in your vehicle. Having the serial number to give to police will increase the chances of getting your property back.

We have also experienced a few thefts of mail from mailboxes. Please keep an eye out for anyone who may be acting suspiciously or attempting to check mailboxes. Report this behavior to the police department immediately. Any description of the suspect, vehicle, or license plate number is very helpful.

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St. Cloud Police: Pipe Bomb Incident

On 5-4-2013 between 10:00am and 11:00am, a citizen discovered a suspicious object in the 10 block of 29th Avenue No. Officers responded and located an object that is consistent with a possible incendiary device. At this time, the item is being treated as an explosive; however it has not yet been confirmed. The area was blocked off and people were evacuated.

Update. The Crow Wing County Bomb Squad responded to the scene and detonated the item in place. Police confirmed about 5:30 p.m. that the item, which was destroyed around 4:45 p.m., did contain explosives.

No other details about the object were being released and the investigation was continuing. There were no injuries in the incident. The area is now deemed safe and traffic is moving normally.

Investigation continues police looking for any information from the public about the incident. Details about the device are currently not being released. No injuries reported.

UPDATE (5-6-13 @ 1025 Hours)

Item was consistent with a "cricket" bomb, or an explosive device made from an empty CO2 cartridge. The device did not contain any shrapnel, and had a non-timer type fuse. Attached is a photo depicting a similar type of device, but is not the actual device in this incident. There is no current information regarding the location in which the item was located.



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The store employees struggled and fought off the suspects by throwing items at them, which caused the suspects to leave the store and flee on foot. The employees sustained minor injuries during the incident.

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[WEEK OF APRIL 1, 2013](#)

St. Cloud Police: Church Burglary, Theft and Damage to Property

An unknown suspect(s) broke into St. Robert's Academy, sometime between 1800 hours on 3/29/13 and 1000 hours on 3/30/13, and stole a priest's cloak, and caused damage inside the building.

The item, valued at \$1000, is described as white with gold trim cope/priest cloak, with a handmade cross on the back. The suspect(s) also etched obscene language on a bulletin board while in the building.

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Waite Park Police: 2 - Theft Reports

On 3/30/2013 it was reported that someone had taken a Matco tool box with a large amount of miscellaneous tools inside. The tools were missing from a garage on St. Andrew's Drive in Waite Park.

Officers responded to an alarm on 3/31/2013 at a business located on the 100 block of 4th Street N in Waite Park. When officers arrived they found forced entry and damage inside the building.

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Waite Park Police: 2 – Thefts from Businesses

The Waite Park Police are investigating two separate thefts from local businesses.

On March 22, 2013 it was reported that a business on the 3000 block of 4th Street S had scrap metal taken from behind their businesses in Waite Park.

On March 23, 2013 a theft was reported on the 2000 block of Frontage Rd S. Complainant stated several items were taken from a trailer. Items taken include a marine battery, chains and ratchet straps.

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Stearns County, Benton County, and St. Cloud Police: Copper Thefts

Update: On 3-21-2013, St. Cloud Police made four felony arrests in this case and recovered approximately \$15,000 worth of stolen copper.

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[WEEK OF MARCH 18, 2013](#)

Stearns County Sheriff: Residential Burglary, Property Damage and Theft

On 03-19-2013 at approximately 0057 hours the Stearns County Sheriff' office responded to a burglary complaint on East Shore Drive in Maine Prairie Twp.

The residence was entered sometime between midnight on 03-15-2013 and midnight on 03-18-2013, by damaging the main door to the residence. Once inside the suspect/s started throwing all of the belongings around. They also gained access to a vehicle parked in the driveway using a key from inside the residence. The key for the vehicle is still missing along with financial paperwork.

Anyone with information should contact the Stearns County Sheriff' office at 320-251-4240 or crime stoppers at 320-255-1301.

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Waite Park Police: Stolen Vehicle

On 3/18/2013 at 0746 hour's officers responded to the 100 block of 10th Ave N for a report of a stolen vehicle. Vehicle was last seen at approximately 12:30 am on this date. Vehicle is described as a 2008 Hyundai Santa Fe, 4 door, MN license 055ANZ.

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Waite Park Police: 3 – Theft Cases

Waite Park Police are investigating 3 separate Theft cases in their community.

- * 3/6/2013, Claremont Street, Waite Park; Report of 4 Interstate batteries stolen out of a semi

- * 3/8/2013, 200 block of 4th Ave N; Report of a theft of a purse taken from a table between 2200 hours and 2300 hours.

- * 3/14/2013, 100 block 7th Ave S; Report of a theft of a full size violin

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Stearns County, Benton County and Waite Park Police: Storage Facility Burglaries and Thefts

Multiple law enforcement agencies are reporting a rash of storage facility burglaries. Because of their often-times remote locations and limited lighting, thieves are able to work undetected. Thieves are using bolt cutters to remove the pad locks and gain access to the storage units and remove their contents.

Authorities are recommending that storage renters check into the use of hardened steel pad locks. Facility managers should be able to assist you.

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[WEEK OF FEBRUARY 4, 2013](#)

SARTELL — Sartell police are investigating a possible prowler.

Officers are investigating reports of suspicious activity Monday night, 2-4-2013, and Tuesday morning, 2-5-2013, according to Sartell Police Chief Jim Hughes.

At 9:53 p.m. Monday, a caller told police there was a man looking in a home's window in the 1500 block of Mockingbird Loop. Footprints were found leading to and from the home and the driveway.

At 10:33 p.m. Monday there was a report of noise outside a home's window in the 1900 block of Birch Circle. The resident went outside and did not find anyone, but found footprints and tire tracks to and from the road and one of the home's windows.

An officer was checking surrounding areas because of the two calls at 12:06 a.m. on Tuesday. He found fresh tire tracks in front of a home in the 1400 block of Ninth Avenue North. Footprints were found in several nearby yards and back to the vehicle.

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[WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2013](#)

St. Cloud Police: 1st Degree Residential Burglary

On above date and time, officers responded to a complaint of a residential burglary in progress in the 900 Block of 9th Avenue South. A suspect entered the residence without consent, and was confronted by a resident. Suspect left without incident. Case is still active, and further details are currently being withheld.

St. Cloud Police: Shoplifting and Assault (From week of 1-21-13)

On 01/24/2013 at 1121 hours, officers responded to a shoplifting complaint in progress, at Target East, 100 block of Lincoln Avenue Southeast. Target loss prevention was attempting to detain an individual suspected of stealing electronic merchandise from the business.

An altercation occurred between the suspect and loss prevention outside the business, at which time the suspect displayed a folding knife, with the blade extended towards the employee.

Suspect left the scene in a white minivan, possibly a Dodge with a dark luggage rack on the roof. Suspect was described as a white male, early to mid-20's, wearing a dark blue coat and a dark blue hoodie with some white lettering on the front.

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[WEEK OF JANUARY 24, 2013](#)

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St. Cloud Police: Residential Burglary and Theft

Police are investigating a burglary at a south St. Cloud residence in which a woman had a ring taken that was worth more than \$11,000. The woman who lived at a residence in the 1600 block of 28th Street South called police Tuesday to report that the ring was missing.

She told police that she was in the hospital from Dec. 10-15 for surgery and noticed that her residence had been burglarized sometime after she returned home.

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St. Cloud Police: Armed Robbery with Shot Fired

On 01/19/2013 at 0209 hours, officers from the St. Cloud Police Department were dispatched to a complaint of a robbery in progress in the 600 block of 7th Avenue South. A firearm was discharged during the incident. Additional information regarding the incident is currently being withheld as the case is actively being investigated.

UPDATE :

Due to the ongoing nature of the investigation, descriptions of the suspects will continue to be withheld.

Additional information regarding the incident - Three males, in their early 20's were walking to a residence on the southside of St. Cloud. While walking in the alleyway, they were confronted by 2 male suspects. One suspect displayed a handgun and demanded property from the three males. During the confrontation, the suspect discharged the handgun, but did not injury any of the victims. After the shot, one of the victims was pushed to the ground, and physically assaulted, receiving minor injuries. Suspects are believed to have left the scene in a motor vehicle. Investigation indicates this was a random incident.

Additional information will be released as the case allows

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[WEEK OF JANUARY 7, 2013](#)

St. Cloud Police: Hit-and-Run with Injuries

On 01/07/2013 at 0229 hours, officers were dispatched to motor vehicle versus pedestrian crash in the 10 block of 5th avenue south, City of St. Cloud, Stearns County. A male victim, age 27 from Waite Park, was found lying on the ground in front of the Red Carpet, and had sustained injuries from being struck by a 1994 Maroon Ford Taurus, 4 door sedan, which was abandoned in the middle of the roadway. The victim was transported to the St. Cloud Hospital Emergency Room to be treated for his non-life threatening injuries. The driver of the vehicle has not yet been identified. Due to the ongoing investigation into this incident, further information is currently being withheld. The St. Cloud Police Department needs the public's help to identify the driver of the vehicle at the time of the accident and anyone who may have witnessed this incident.

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