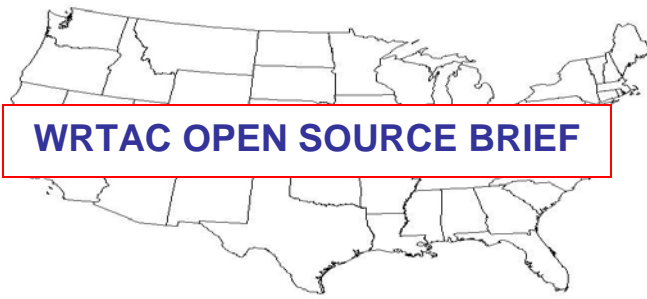


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Submit a Tip

In an Emergency Call 9-1-1

202-727-9099 (CIC)

1-888-919-CRIME

Text Tip: 50411



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Suspect Sought in Robberies of Establishments

(NCR RFI)

The Metropolitan Police Department is seeking the public’s assistance in attempting to identify and locate a suspect who is believed to be involved in two robberies in the Fourth District which occurred in the 5500 block of Georgia Avenue, NW and 5300



block of Georgia Avenue, NW. On Wednesday, March 16, 2011, just after 7:00 p.m., units from the Fourth District responded to the 5500 block of Georgia Avenue, NW for the report of a robbery. Upon their arrival, they located two victims who were robbed at gunpoint of US currency by a single suspect who was last seen heading northbound in the 5500 block of Georgia Avenue, NW. On Monday, March 21, 2011, shortly before 7:00 p.m., units from the Fourth District responded to the 5300 block of Georgia Avenue, NW for the report of a robbery. Upon their arrival, they located two victims who were robbed at gunpoint of US currency by a single suspect who was last seen heading southbound in the 5300

block of Georgia Avenue, NW. In both incidents, the suspect was described as a black male, 40 to 45 years of age, approximately 5-feet-10 to 6 feet-3 tall, with a medium complexion, brown eyes, gray hair, and gray facial hair, wearing a black hat and eyeglasses. In the incident on Wednesday, March 16, the suspect was further described as wearing a black hat, black jacket, blue pants, gray shirt, and armed with a handgun. In the incident on Monday, March 21, the suspect was described as wearing a black shirt, black pants, black hat, and armed with a handgun.

<http://newsroom.dc.gov/show.aspx/agency/mpdc/section/2/release/21309/year/2011>

Anyone who has knowledge of these cases, knows the suspect’s identity or sees him should take no action, but should immediately call police at 202-727-9099 or 1-888-919-CRIM [E] – 1-888-919-2746. The Metropolitan Police Department currently offers a reward of up to **\$10,000** to anyone who provides information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for any robbery committed in the District of Columbia. Additionally, anonymous information may be submitted to **DC CRIME SOLVERS** at **1-866-411-TIPS** and to the department’s **TEXT TIP LINE** by text messaging **50411**. If the information provided by the caller to the Crime Solvers Unit leads to an arrest and indictment, that caller will be eligible for a reward of up to **\$1,000**.

Police Ask For Public's Help in Restaurant Slaying

(NCR RFI)

Frederick police are handing out fliers and putting up two electric signs asking the public for information that could lead to the killer of the manager of a fast-food restaurant last week. Officers handed the fliers, in both English and Spanish, on Tuesday near the Burger King restaurant where 32-year-old Jacinta "Patty" Ayala's body was found on the morning of Friday, March 18, 2011 by an employee. She had been shot. Starting Thursday, two temporary electric signs, in the area of East Patrick Street and Monocacy Boulevard, will ask people to call the crime tip line with any information about the crime. The signs will be in place through the weekend. Anyone with information is asked to call the Frederick Police Department at 301-600-TIPS (8477).



<http://www.wusa9.com/news/maryland/article/143126/189/Police-Ask-For-Publics-Help-In-Restaurant-Slaying->

Pedestrian Involved in Fatal Hit-and-Run Crash in Fort Washington Still Unidentified

(NCR RFI)

The Prince George's County Police Department's Collision Analysis and Reconstruction Unit (CARU) are asking for the public assistance in identifying a pedestrian who was fatally struck in a Hit-and-Run Crash in Fort Washington, Maryland. On January 3, 2011, at approximately 7:49 a.m. the victim was found with extensive trauma to her body, consistent with a pedestrian collision. **She is described as a black female, approximately 50 years of age, around 5'5" tall and 120 lbs. She was wearing a light blue jacket, blue jeans, and black shoes.**

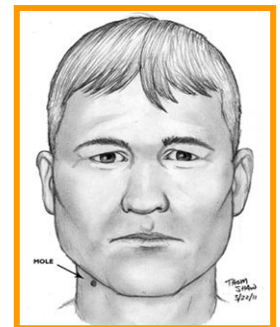


Preliminary investigation revealed the victim was walking along the southbound shoulder of Indian Head Highway just past Old Fort Road when she was struck by a vehicle traveling southbound on Indian Head Highway. CARU investigators are seeking information from anyone who may have information on the victim's identity as well as anyone who may have witnessed or been in the area at the time of the collision. Anyone with information about this case is asked to call the Prince George's County Police Department's Collision Analysis and Reconstruction Unit at (301) 731-4422. Callers wishing to remain anonymous may call Crime Solvers at 1-866-411 TIPS (8477) or text "PGPD plus your message" to **CRIMES (274637)** on your cell phone or go to <http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/police/> and submit a tip online. A cash reward is being offered for the tip that leads to the arrest and indictment of the suspect(s). The investigation is ongoing. <http://cms.princegeorgescountymd.gov/PoliceNews/default.aspx?itemid=3039>

Loudoun County Sex Assault Suspect Sought

(NCR RFI)

Loudoun County Police released a sketch of a man they believe sexually assaulted a woman early Friday Morning. It happened after the assault victim got into the suspect's car in the parking lot of O'Fallion's restaurant at the Ashburn Plaza Shopping Center, police said. She asked to borrow his cell phone and got into the car, "After the victim voluntarily got in the Jeep, the suspect drove off and refused repeated requests to stop and let her go. He then sexually assaulted the victim before releasing her," police said in a news release. Police released this description of the man: **The suspect is described as being a white male in his early 30s with blonde hair, approximately 5'10" tall with a medium build, though he was described as being fit. He is said to have a "flat" nose that is bent to his right. He also has a large mole or freckle on his neck. His teeth were described as having gaps in them. He was wearing a gray hoodie-style sweatshirt with several knots in the string.** Anyone with information about this man should call the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office at 703-777-0475.



<http://www.wusa9.com/news/virginia/article/143106/188/Police-Searching-For-Sexual-Assault-Suspect>

PGPD to Partner with DEA for Second Nationwide Prescription Drug Take-Back Day in April

The Prince George's County Police Department will be participating in a nationwide initiative seeking to prevent increased pill abuse and theft. On Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., the Prince George's County Police Department, along with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), will be collecting potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs for destruction. The Prince George's County Police Department will have three collection points across the County to include:



- District I Station at 5000 Rhode Island Avenue in Hyattsville
- District III Station at 7600 Barlowe Road in Palmer Park
- District IV Station at 5135 Indian Head Highway in Oxon Hill

The Prescription Drug Take-Back program addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. The DEA cites studies that show a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, often from a home medicine cabinet. In addition, many citizens do not know how to properly dispose of their unused medicine, often flushing them down the toilet or throwing them away – both potential safety and health hazards. This event will offer the opportunity for the community to surrender any expired, unused, and unwanted prescription medications. This service is free and anonymous, no questions asked. For more information, contact the Community Services Division at (301) 909-7126 or go to <http://www.dea.gov/>. <http://cms.princegeorgescountymd.gov/PoliceNews/default.aspx?itemid=3040>

County Launches Website to Educate Residents about New Code Enforcement Laws

Montgomery County has launched a new website to educate residents about new zoning laws recently enacted that are designed to help protect and maintain the residential character of neighborhoods. The new website, found at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/goodneighbors, is available in both English and Spanish. The new laws, which go into effect on April 24, 2011 deal with home-based businesses, off-street parking and paving of front yards. A law, which went into effect in July 2009, prohibits on-street parking of heavy commercial and recreational vehicles in residential neighborhoods. The new laws were proposed by County Executive Ike Leggett two years ago based on recommendations from a Code Enforcement Work Group that he appointed. The Work Group reviewed a number of housing and zoning code issues that were causing adverse impacts and public safety issues in residential neighborhoods. The County Council approved zoning text amendment 09-03 last October. The website is part of a comprehensive public education campaign by County officials. A series of community meetings were held in early March around the County to present the changes in the law and answer questions from County residents. Brochures and posters – in English and Spanish – are being distributed. Other advertising includes posters in Ride On buses and at bus shelters. For more information, call 240-777-6507. http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=7433



Smart Traffic System to Reduce First Responder Deaths

(Emergency Safety Initiative)

Nearly 13 percent of the firefighters and police officers who die in the line of duty are killed in vehicle-related incidents, and fire trucks are involved in 10 times as many collisions as other heavy trucks. University of Arizona (UA) researchers have teamed up with the Arizona's Maricopa County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) to create a system to make intersections safer for emergency responders and the general public. Their efforts are part of a national push to create smart vehicles that communicate with one another and with traffic control systems. The MCDOT intersections at Anthem will be equipped with dedicated short-range communications radios. Daisy Mountain Fire District trucks, Maricopa County REACT vehicles, and some transit vehicles also will carry the short-range radios. All the vehicles will be tracked by GPS. The vehicles also will communicate with the Arizona 511 network to alert motorists to the traffic problems, allowing them to select alternate routes. This will help cut down on congestion and prevent secondary accidents that often occur when distracted motorists are faced with traffic disruptions. The UA researchers and Maricopa County also plan to adapt the system to freeway entrance ramps that are controlled by traffic signals.



<http://homelandsecuritynewswire.com/smart-traffic-system-reduce-first-responder-deaths>

Illegals Wearing USMC Uniforms Caught in Allegedly Stolen Gov't Van

(Criminal TTP)

About a week before the authors of a Center for a New American Security report warned the most dangerous threat to the United States and its allies in the Western Hemisphere is the growth of powerful transnational criminal organizations (TCOs), the U.S. Marine Corps Operations Center received a disturbing OPREP-3 report from the Marine Corps Air Station at Yuma, Arizona. It was a situation report that counter-cartel authorities told Homeland Security Today could represent a troublesome new development in the smuggling of illegals into the United States. It alerted that on March 11, 2011 undocumented aliens who had managed to enter the U.S. from Mexico had been caught wearing U.S. Marine Corps Marine Pattern (MARPAT) desert digital Battle Dress Uniforms (BDUs). When they were stopped by alert Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents near Campo, California, the 11 illegals and the 3 U.S. citizens (who were wearing Marine woodland digital BDUs) traveling with them were driving an allegedly stolen official government vehicle with altered U.S. Government license plates. The three U.S. citizens apprehended with the illegals were processed on "alien smuggling charges," an official said. In Mexico, it is not uncommon for legitimate law enforcement to encounter members of TCOs either wearing or having in their possession Mexican military and law enforcement uniforms and other official gear and equipment, including military munitions.



<http://www.hstoday.us/blogs/the-kimery-report/blog/updated-illegals-wearing-usmc-uniforms-caught-in-allegedly-stolen-van-with-gov-t-plates/e852532c1109bd86f30cc0ec1b7ff164.html>

U.S. Looks to Safeguard Medical Isotopes from Terrorists

(Terrorist TTP)

The United States is spending millions of dollars to help hospitals reduce the potential for terrorists to acquire sufficient amounts of medical isotopes to build a radiological “dirty bomb,” New York Newsday reported March 21, 2011. The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) is funding the effort as part of its initiative to assess and improve radioactive substance safeguards at almost 2,700 sites no later than 2020, according to the NNSA deputy director. In excess of 120 of the sites covered by the program are in New York State, including 50 facilities in New York City. Thirty facilities have already been examined in the city, including 18 hospitals. Before the end of 2011, officials want to see safeguard studies completed for all New York City hospitals. U.S. counterterrorism experts fear widely used and inadequately secured devices that house radioactive materials could create an opening for terrorist organizations such as al-Qaeda to produce a dirty bomb, which would use conventional explosives to disperse radiological substance over a wide area. The Presidential administration requested \$25 million in fiscal year 2011 for a program to secure radioactive materials. Congress has not passed a final budget for the current budget year, which ends September 30, instead approving a series of continuing funding resolutions. The White House is seeking to increase funding for the program to \$51 million in fiscal year 2012. Washington is also training state and local law enforcement officials and hospital security guards, among others, at a specialized security facility in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The training includes countering a terrorist attempt to invade a hospital in order to obtain radioactive substances.

http://gsn.nti.org/gsn/nw_20110322_7770.php

Lasko Recalls Box Fans Due to Fire Hazard

(Public Safety)

Lasko Products Inc., of West Chester, Pennsylvania, has issued a recall March 24, 2011 for about 4.8 million box fans. An electrical failure in the fan’s motor poses a fire hazard to consumers. Lasko has received seven reports of fires associated with motor failures, including two house fires and one barn fire, resulting in extensive property damage. No injuries have been reported. The box fans were sold at mass merchandisers nationwide from July 2002 through December 2005. <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prereel/prhtml11/11183.html>

Whey Protein Recall Now Nationwide

(Public Health)

Ten days after whey protein was recalled by Vitalabs of Jonesboro, Georgia, a New Jersey company has announced a nationwide recall of its whey protein products because of the possibility they may be contaminated with Salmonella. Universal Nutrition of New Brunswick March 21, 2011 recalled specific lot numbers for Gain Fast, LAVA, Real Gains, Super Whey Pro, Torrent, Ultra Mass 4500, Ultra Whey Pro, and Uni-Syn because one ingredient, whey protein, has the potential to be contaminated. The products were offered in all 50 states through health food stores, gyms, and Internet-based, ecommerce sites. There have been no reports of illnesses associated with the whey protein.

<http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2011/03/whey-protein-recall-now-extendsnationwide/>

Resources

GlobalIncidentMap.com

A Global Display of Terrorism And Other Suspicious Events

DomesticTerrorMap.com

Washington DC Links

Live Traffic Reports <http://ddot.dc.gov/DC/DDOT/On+Your+Street/Traffic+Management/Live+Traffic+Reports>

Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency <http://hsema.dc.gov/dcema/site/default.asp>

DC Department of Health <http://dchealth.dc.gov/doh/site/default.asp>

Sign-up for Alerts <https://textalert.ema.dc.gov/index.php?CCheck=1>

To request a DC Government Service, call 311 or 202-727-1000, also online at <http://src.dc.gov>

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SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORT



Transmit report immediately to SAR@dc.gov
WRTAC 202-481-3007 (day) CIC 202-727-9099 (evenings & weekends)
 General email WRTAC@dc.gov

Choose Urgency:	SAR Type:	SAR Source:
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Date of report:	Time of report: :	Badge Number:	Unit:
Submitters Name:			

Suspicious Activity Type: _____ **Crime Type:** _____

Anonymous? Y - N	Hearsay?	Can we contact source? Y - N
Source Name:	Contact number:	State:
Address:	Date of Info:	Time of Info: :
Source disposition:		

Location of Suspicious Activity:

Business Name:	Type of Business:
Address:	State:
Cross Street:	Location Type:
Property type:	Designated area:
	District: PSA:

Details of Suspect:

Date of Occurrence:	Time: :	Last seen date:	Time: :
Is suspicious person involved? Y - N	Name/Nickname:		
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Eyes:	Physical descriptors (Complexion/Scars/Mustache/Facial hair/Hat/Jacket/Pants/Shirt/Tattoos):		
Describe physical:			
Race/Ethnicity:	Other:		State:
Known address:			
Group/Gang affiliation? Y - N	Name:		
Additional persons? Y - N	Names:		

Vehicle Information:

Associated Vehicle?: Y - N	Stolen?:	VIN:
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