



Community Crime Update
Zone 5 Police Station
Week of August 31st-Sept 6th, 2015



Homewood / East Hills

9/4/15 Aggravated Assault (Domestic) – Madeira Street & Rosedale Street, 6:10pm. A 22 year-old victim reports that she was involved in an altercation with her ex-boyfriend. During the incident, the victim stated her ex-boyfriend began striking her while they were inside of his vehicle. He then dragged her out of the car, injuring the victim's face and arm. When the victim approached the vehicle to get her cell phone back, her ex rolled the window up on her arm and drove away, dragging her several feet. She then fell to the ground and the suspect drove away. The suspect was identified as **Deon Williams, 29, of N. Braddock**. Officers will obtain a warrant for his arrest. *Williams will be charged with Aggravated Assault and Theft.* (168076)

9/4/15 Aggravated Assault (Shooting) – 2100 block Park Hill Drive, 12:15am. Officers were patrolling along the 2100 block of Park Hill Drive in East Hills when they heard gunshots being fired in the immediate area. Moments later, they were approached by a 31 year-old male victim who reported that he had been grazed by a bullet after an unknown male put a gun to his face and pulled the trigger. After ensuring the victim was safe and was not seriously injured, the officers began checking the area. Within moments, responding officers saw a male, fitting the description of the shooter, run into the woods. Officers pursued the male into the woods, eventually locating and apprehending him without further incident. A firearm was recovered in close proximity to the suspect, who was identified as **Michael Owens, 40, of Lincoln-Lemington**. The victim was brought to the scene and made a positive identification of Owens as the shooter. Owens was arrested and charged with Aggravated Assault, Attempted Homicide, Reckless Endangerment, Firearms Not to be Carried without a License, Possession of a Firearm with an Altered Serial Number, Persons Not to Possess Firearms. (1675198)

9/5/15 Aggravated Assault (Shooting) – 8500 block Frankstown Avenue, 2:50am. Officers responded to a report of a male who had been shot in front of Simmie's Restaurant. Officers arrived to find a 31 year-old male shot in the abdomen. He was transported to UPMC Presbyterian Hospital in serious condition but is expected to survive. **Witnesses at the scene observed a black male driving a dark-colored (blue or black) Ford Crown Victoria (or Mercury Grand Marquis) fleeing the scene, heading up Swissvale Avenue towards East Hills.** (168445)

Larimer / Lincoln-Lemington

9/1/15 Burglary (Domestic) – 1200 block Montezuma Street, 8:00am. A 35 year-old female victim returned home to find her front door and front window open and her TV and sound bar missing. The victim suspects her ex-boyfriend as they rented the items together before they broke-up and the property has been in dispute between them.

9/2/15 Burglary (Domestic) – 1400 block Oakdene Street, 5:10am. A 41 year-old female victim reported that her ex-boyfriend, **Duane Levitt, 34, of Lincoln-Lemington**, entered her home without permission, punched her in the face, and tried to choke her. According to the victim, Levitt was highly intoxicated. He fled the scene, but responding officers heard his description over the radio and found him in the area. *Levitt was arrested and charged with Burglary and Simple Assault.* (166131)

9/3/15 Aggravated Assault (Shooting) – 6400 block Winslow Street, 2:30am. Officers responded to a ShotSpotter activation at the above location and arrived on scene to find a 20 year-old male who had been grazed by a bullet in the face. The victim was completely uncooperative with officers and refused to give any information about who shot him. The victim refused to be seen by the Paramedics. (166827)

9/6/15 Aggravated Assault (Domestic) – 100 block Hartman Lane, 12:30am. Three individuals who all reside together were involved in a domestic dispute that turned violent. One individual was bitten and another was struck with a saw. All parties were intoxicated and sustained injuries. The following people were arrested: **Laquita Drummond, 31, Richard Hanner, 44, and Malaysha Pennix, 19, all of Lincoln-Lemington.** Additionally, Drummond kicked one of our officers in the knee while he was attempting to lead her to the police car. (169138)

9/6/15 Aggravated Assault (Domestic) – 400 block Larimer Avenue, 8:00am. A 32 year-old female victim reported that her estranged husband broke into her home, punched her in the face, ripped out her hair, and threatened to kill her. The suspect was identified as **Darrell Lee Fuller, 31 (No Address Available).** Fuller then went outside and smashed the victim's car windows with a brick then went back inside and broke the victim's television. Officers arrived on scene before Fuller was able to leave. He was placed under arrest and charged with Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Terroristic Threats, Criminal Mischief, and Endangering the Welfare of Children. (169280)

Bloomfield/Garfield/Friendship

8/31/15 Burglary – Hertz Car Rental – 5634 Baum Blvd, Occurred between 8/28 at 5:00pm and 8/31 at 7:10am. Victim reports that someone broke into the Hertz Car Rental over the weekend. The business had been ransacked but nothing appeared to be missing. (164591)

8/31/15 Burglary – 200 block Morewood Avenue, Occurred on 8/30 between 11:00am and 10:00pm. Victims report someone broke into their house and stole (2) Dell Model 5548 laptop computers, a set of blue earbud head phones, and a Dell laptop charger. It appears as though the burglar may have entered through an unlocked window. (164437)

9/1/15 Burglary – 200 block N. Aiken Avenue, Occurred between 8/31 at 10:00pm and 9/1 at 12:00am. Victim reports someone broke the glass out of his front door and forced his back door open as well. Victim reports his house was ransacked but nothing appeared to be missing. (165545)

9/1/15 Burglary – 5450 Penn Avenue, 1:35am. Officers responded to a burglar alarm at Refresh PGH clothing store and arrived to find the glass front door had been completely shattered. It is unknown at this time exactly what was taken. (165275)

9/2/15 Robbery – Subway – 4778 Liberty Avenue, 11:15am. Officers responded to a report of robbery at this location. The victim/employee reported that the suspect entered the store and ordered a sandwich. Once the last customer left, the suspect reached over the counter and stole cash from the register. No weapon was seen. The suspect is described as a white male in his late 40's, wearing a white long-sleeve shirt and a tan baseball cap. (166310)

9/3/15 Robbery – GetGo Gas Station – 4928 Baum Blvd, 12:45pm. An 86 year-old victim reported that she pulled into one of the gas pumps and placed her credit card into the reader. As she was pulling her card out, an unknown male approached her and snatched her credit card out of her hand, then ran away. The suspect is described as a black male, 6'2", 40-50 years old, with short hair. The victim's credit card was used at the Walgreens in Penn Circle and the Family Dollar on Shakespeare Street within minutes of the robbery. (167092)

9/5/15 Robbery – K2 Convenience Store – 4900 Penn Avenue, 8:00am. Officers responded to a report of an armed robbery at this location. Upon their arrival, the store clerk stated that the suspect entered the store and pointed a small handgun at him and demanded all of the money. The suspect fled with cash. He is described as a black male, 30-40 years old, 5'5", thin build, with a dark complexion. (168538)

Stanton Heights/Morningside/Highland Park/East Liberty

8/31/15 Burglary – 700 block Chislett Street, Occurred on 8/30 between 4:00pm and 8:00pm. Victim reports he returned home today to find his rear window open. Granola bars and popsicles were missing and the wrappers were found in the rear of his house. The victim suspects neighborhood children (6-8 years old) as they are always in his yard and asking him for food. (165164)

9/1/15 Robbery (Domestic) – 1800 block Jancey Street, 3:05pm. A 55 year-old male victim reports that his ex-girlfriend, **Rita Adrian, 56, of Morningside**, came to his job site and attacked him. During the attack, Adrian grabbed the victim's glasses and fled. Officers will be obtaining an arrest warrant for Adrian. *She will be charged with Robbery and Trespass.* (165767)

9/2/15 Robbery – 800 block Portland Street, 9:00am. A 25 year-old male victim reports that he was working on a property in this block when a man came along and began talking to him about doing construction. **The victim described the suspect as white, between 30-40 years old, medium build, scruffy facial hair, gray and black "shaggy" hair, wearing a gray tank top and blue jean shorts.** After asking him for a cigarette, the suspect pulled a knife on the victim and demanded everything the victim had on his person. The victim turned over his wallet with cash and a bus pass. The suspect then fled the area on foot. The victim waited until the end of his work day to report the crime so police did not have an opportunity to search the area for the suspect. (166480)

9/4/15 Aggravated Assault (Shooting) – East Liberty Gardens, 4:30pm. Officers responded to a call for a man shot in the head on Ipswich Court in the East Liberty Gardens housing complex. Officers arrived to find a 14 year-old male victim shot in the head. He was transported to UPMC Children's Hospital in critical condition. No suspect information is available at this time. Homicide Squad is handling this case. (168001)

9/5/15 Burglary – Advanced Auto Parts - 5905 Station Street, 2:00am. Officers responded to a burglar alarm and found the front glass door shattered. A witness on scene told officers she saw a black male wearing all black clothing, carrying a white shopping bag, running from the scene. It appears the suspect stole (2) window tinting kits. (168400)

9/5/15 Burglary – 100 block Hawthorne Court, 8:00am. Victims reported someone burglarized their residence while they were asleep, by climbing in through an open bedroom window. An Acer laptop computer and an LG tablet were stolen. The victim believes the suspect is a friend of her son. (169078)



Notable Arrests

8/31/15 at 1:10pm – 1200 block Mohler Street (Homewood): A Zone 5 detective was following-up on a theft of an iPad Mini from a vehicle in Homewood near the Homewood Senior Center. Det. DiSanti learned that this particular iPad had a tracking feature. Det. DiSanti was able to track the stolen iPad to the 1200 block of Mohler Street at which point officers set-up a perimeter around the area. The victim was able to activate an audible alarm on the iPad that alerted to the officers to a **15-year old male from Larimer** who was walking down the street with the stolen iPad. Upon hearing the alarm, the juvenile discarded the iPad but was quickly arrested by officers in the area. The juvenile was charged with Receiving Stolen Property. (164777)

9/2/15 at 6:15pm – Frankstown Avenue & N. Braddock Ave (Homewood): A Zone 5 officer was on patrol in the area when he witnessed **Melissa Sue Birch, 29, of Natrona Heights**, flagging-down cars in the area. The officer witnessed a car approach Birch, hand her something, then drive off. This is an area well-known for prostitution and drug trafficking. The officer stopped to investigate further, at which point Birch attempted to walk away. When stopped, Birch became violent with the officer and assaulted him. Birch then attempted to run away. After a brief struggle, Birch was placed in handcuffs without incident. The officer recovered heroin and a crack pipe. Birch was arrested and charged with Aggravated Assault, Resisting Arrest, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. (166568)

9/3/15 at 12:00pm – 600 block N. Negley Avenue (East Liberty): Between 7/1/15 and 8/25/15, **Erica Harris, 34, of East Liberty**, has made (17) false calls to 911 requesting police, and (14) false calls to 911 requesting an ambulance. On each of these calls, valuable City resources were dispatched (thus unavailable to respond to real emergencies) only to find that Harris had no real need for police or EMS. A warrant was obtained and Harris was arrested on 9/3/15. She was charged with False Alarms to Agencies of Public Safety. (161046)