



Community Crime Update
Zone 5 Police Station
Week of January 30th - February 5th



Homewood / East Hills

1/29/17 Robbery (Domestic) - 7400 block Monticello Street, 11:00 PM. On 1/30/17 at 4:00 PM, a 29 year-old female victim called 911 to report a domestic violence incident that occurred the previous day. The victim reported that she was asleep the previous night when her ex-boyfriend entered her home. The ex-boyfriend, **Howard Palmer, 29, of Wilksburg**, grabbed the victim's cell phone and began going through her messages, then pulled out a gun and pistol-whipped the victim. Palmer then took her expensive sunglasses and fled. Officers will obtain an arrest warrant. (18413)

1/31/17 Robbery – Frankstown Avenue & N. Homewood Avenue, 10:40 AM. A 22 year-old female victim reported that she was robbed by a male known only to her as "Black." The victim indicated that she owed "Black" \$20.00 and met him at Frankstown & N. Homewood to repay him. When "Black" entered the victim's car, he took her cash at gunpoint and punched her several times in the face. The victim sustained facial injuries. (18912)

2/2/17 Burglary (Domestic) - 2200 block Wilner Drive, 2:30 AM. A 23 year-old victim reported that her children's father, **Baylon Jamil Grace, 32, of Wilksburg**, came to her residence. When she cracked the door to speak with him, Grace forced his way inside and attacked her, then fled. The victim suffered bruises and swelling to her face. Officers will obtain an arrest warrant for Grace. (20069)

2/2/17 Theft from Vehicle – 7000 block Kelly Street. (20105)

2/3/17 Stolen Vehicle – 1000 block Gerritt Street. A 2007 silver Hyundai Elantra (PA plate JTT-8617) was stolen. On 2/5/15, officers stopped the vehicle and arrested the driver, **Jaymerie Washington, 18, of Larimer.** (20951)

2/3/17 Attempted Homicide – N. Lang Avenue & Hamilton Avenue, 12:57 AM. A 38 year-old jitney driver (victim) reported that the suspect, **Dominic Sharif James, 25, of Rankin**, asked him for a ride to East Pittsburgh. When the victim told James it would cost \$20.00, an argument ensued and James pulled out a gun and fired several times at the victim. James then fled on Hamilton Avenue on foot. Responding officers could see James in the street and observed him firing his gun as he fled. Officers pursued James and eventually subdued him using a Taser. Officers recovered a black Glock model 26 pistol as well as heroin and crack cocaine. James was arrested without injury to any officers and very minimal injury to James. *Exceptional work by all involved!* (20682)

2/4/17 Robbery (Domestic) - 1000 block Blackadore Street, 10:18 AM. A 28 year-old female victim reported that her boyfriend, **Anthony Carlos Hill, 30, of Penn Hills**, grabbed her by the throat during an argument and choked her. He then stole her cell phone out of her hand as well as her house phone, so she could not call 911. Hill returned to the scene while officers were taking the report and he was arrested without incident. (21531)

2/4/17 Burglary – 1000 block Blackadore Street. (21653)

Larimer / Lincoln-Lemington

1/29/17 Aggravated Assault (Domestic) - 1100 block Paulson Avenue, 8:21 PM. Officers responded to a family domestic and arrived to find a 46 year-old male victim physically restraining his **15 year-old son**. The son was subsequently transported to a hospital for a mental health evaluation. The father later realized that he had been bitten several times and either stabbed or cut by his son during the scuffle. Officers will file charges against the son once he is released from the hospital. (17937)

1/30/17 Robbery – Mayflower Street & Tyler Way, 11:00 PM. On 1/31/17 at 11:30 AM, a 24 year-old male victim reported that he had been robbed the previous night. The victim indicated that he was "jumped" while walking home and unknown suspects stole his Glock pistol. The victim was unharmed and it is unknown why he waited 12 hours to call police. (18886)

Bloomfield/Garfield/Friendship

1/30/17 Burglary – 300 block N. Mathilda Street. (18355)

1/31/17 Burglary – 4900 block Dearborn Street. (19157)

2/2/17 Burglary – 5100 block Jordan Way (20129)

2/2/17 Robbery – Gem Way & N. Atlantic Avenue, 1:45 PM. A 16 year-old victim reported that he met **Laurence Jerome Cotton, 18, of Wilksburg**, in order to sell him a watch and two gold chains. The victim and Cotton met on Gem Way and started walking. As they were talking, Cotton pulled out a silver pistol and robbed the victim of his belongings. Cotton then fled. Officers will obtain an arrest warrant for him. (20319)

2/3/17 Stolen Vehicle – 400 block S. Aiken Avenue. A 2013 light blue Toyota Prius was stolen. The car was later recovered by State Troopers on I-79. (22263)

2/4/17 Burglary – 630 S. Millvale Avenue (Sonny's Tavern). The owner reported that money was missing from the bar. Doors that are usually locked were found unlocked this morning but there was no sign of forced entry. (21564)

2/4/17 Theft from Vehicle – Morewood Avenue & Baum Blvd. (21371)

Highland Park/East Liberty

2/1/17 Robbery – 5900 block Station Street, 5:30 PM. A 35 year-old male victim reported that he arranged (through Craigslist) to meet an male known only to him as "Grant" in order to purchase an iPhone. The exchange was to take place in the parking lot of the Advance Auto in East Liberty. Once the victim and "Grant" met, "Grant" robbed the victim at gunpoint, then fled. "Grant" is a white male, 20-30 years old, 5'7", with a Southern accent. (19821)

2/3/17 Aggravated Assault (On Police Officer) - 5900 block Centre Avenue, 7:01 PM. Officers responded to a report of highly intoxicated individuals on the sidewalk near BRGR restaurant. Officers arrived to find the female, **Enique Nigel Nickens, 40, of Carrick**, was incoherent. Officers requested EMS and when paramedics arrived, Nickens became combative. While attempting to secure her to the stretcher, Nickens punched a paramedic in the face then kicked him in the chest. Officer Patton intervened at which point Nickens swung at him, punching him in the face and causing a bloody nose. Nickens was restrained then moved from the stretcher to a police car. She was taken to jail after a stop at UPMC Mercy to get medically cleared. (21163)

Stanton Heights/Morningside/Waterworks Mall

1/31/17 Robbery – 1800 Morningside Avenue (Rite Aid), 10:30 AM. Store employees reported that an unknown suspect entered the store and produced a black semi-automatic pistol. The suspect demanded cash and fled the store with an unknown amount of \$10 and \$20 dollar bills. The suspect is a white male, 20-30 years old, 6'0" tall, with a black jacket, blue jeans, and a black & gray scarf covering his face. If you have any information about this robbery, please contact our Violent Crime Unit at 412-323-7161. (18897)

2/2/17 Stolen Vehicle – 1000 block Chislett Street. Victim reported that his **2007 white Nissan Xterra (Ohio plate GNA-6121)** had been stolen. The victim later found that the spare key to his car had been stolen from his girlfriend's car which was parked nearby. (20157)

2/2/17 Theft from Vehicles – 1200 block Morningside Avenue. (20160)

7100 block Baker Street (20186)

1000 block Chislett Street (20232)

Chislett & Stanish Street (20135)

1600 block Chislett Street (20122)
6900 block Manistee Street (20459)
1600 block Villanova Road (20174)



Notable Arrests

1/30/17 at 5:17 PM – Monticello Street & N. Lang Avenue (Homewood): Officers Shawn Spinnenweber and MJ Lepkowski were on patrol when they came across a stolen 2012 green Honda CRV. Officers followed the vehicle and called for back-up. They were eventually able to get the car stopped and take the driver into custody. The driver was identified as **Clayton Sowell, 23, of Homewood**. Sowell was charged with Receiving Stolen Property. (18477)

1/31/17 at 11:38 PM – N. Homewood Avenue & Kelly Street (Homewood): K-9 Officer Bob Stroschein and recruit Hans Wiedenhofer were following-up on a citizen tip regarding drug activity. The officers encountered a male who fit the description given in the complaint. When the officers approached the male, he dropped heroin and crack cocaine to the ground. The male was identified as **Roland Garrett Kemp, 49, of East Hills**. Kemp was arrested. (19321)

2/4/17 at 8:34 AM – Frankstown Avenue & N. Homewood Avenue (Homewood): Officer Chris Mosesso and recruit Jonathon Timmons were patrolling the area when they observed a tan Lincoln parked, but occupied by two individuals. Officer Mosesso was familiar with the vehicle and the driver since he had recently warned him about his expired state inspection and about driving on a suspended license. Officers exited their vehicle and approached the Lincoln. The inspection was still expired. They could also smell a strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. The passenger, **Kurtis Haddock, 18, of East Hills**, exited the car. Haddock appeared nervous and admitted to having just smoked marijuana. Officers detained him and found him to be in possession of a bag of marijuana, a digital scale, a loaded Glock .40 caliber pistol with a 22-round extended clip, and nearly \$700.00 cash. Haddock was arrested. (21481)

2/5/17 at 12:02 PM – 7400 block Frankstown Avenue (Homewood): Officer Mosesso conducted a traffic stop after witnessing what he what he believed to be a drug deal, and noted that passenger **Bridgette Irene Turnbow, 22, of Bridgeville,** appeared very nervous. Turnbow was acting erratically and gave conflicting stories to Officer Mosesso. She was subsequently found to be in possession of a bundle of (10) heroin "balloons." Turnbow was arrested. (22184)