LeDroit Park Crime Prevention News

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Crime on Your Corner...

And how to prevent it

PSA 306 Crime for the week

of Jan. 27- Feb. 2, 2013

PSA: 306 CCN: 13012069 RPT DATE: 01/28/2013 OFFENSE: **Theft F/Auto** BLOCK: <u>1800 B/O 3RD ST</u> <u>NW</u>

LOCATION: Restaurant START DT: 01/27/2013 START TM: 01:00:00 END DT: 01/27/2013 END TM: 01:15:00

PSA: 306

CCN: 13012459 RPT DATE: 01/29/2013 OFFENSE: Theft F/Auto BLOCK: <u>GEORGIA AVE NW &</u> V ST NW

LOCATION: Other START DT: 01/28/2013 START TM: 21:30:00 END DT: 01/28/2013 END TM: 23:50:00

PSA: 306 CCN: 13013982 RPT DATE: 01/31/2013 OFFENSE: **Robbery** BLOCK: **400 B/O T ST NW** LOCATION: Sidewalk START DT: 01/31/2013 START TM: 23:31:00 END DT: 01/31/2013 END TM: 23:31:00

PSA: 306 CCN: 13014748 RPT DATE: 02/02/2013 OFFENSE: **Robbery** BLOCK: **1900 B/O 2ND ST** <u>NW</u> LOCATION: Sidewalk

START DT: 02/02/2013 START TM: 15:35:00 END DT: 02/02/2013 END TM: 15:35:00

Mobile Theft Prevention Tips

Source: mpdc.gov & 3D Listserv Captain Aubrey Mongal

"While we are all enjoying the latest versions of cell phone technology, the criminals in our communities are looking to enjoy them also. The Third District continues to see a large number of robbery reports called in where citizens are having their cell phones snatched out of their hands or from their immediate possession. Many of these occur while the victim is **walking while talking or texting.** The alarming common factor in these cases is the victim's inability to get any usable information about the suspect because the **victim wasn't aware of their surroundings** and either didn't see the robber approach or even in the area leading up to the crime.

While we are experiencing a reduction in overall robberies in the Third District we want to continue to do everything we can to bring the number of robberies down to zero. We are asking all members that live, work or enjoy our communities to **pay more attention to their surroundings** and try to assist us in creating safer neighborhoods. Bad guys do not like attention and will try and operate as quickly as possible. That being said, try to **maintain eye contact as much as possible with others while using cell phones and or texting.** The **average criminal tries to find victims that are not paying attention, looking away, down to the ground or into a phone, to reduce the chances of being seen or identified to police later**. I have attached a list of categories all citizens should try to be able to answer prior to, during and after a critical event has occurred;

- gender
- race

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- height
- weight
- age
- facial hair
- uniqueness of hair
- hat or marks
- scars and tattoos
- clothing description
- car description
- direction of escape
- what was suspect doing before the crime and where
 - identifying serial & model [number on electronics]
- credit card numbers of property stolen as soon as possible is a big help also.." –Captain Aubrey Mongal, 3D



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MPD Announces Charges in Drug Take-Down

(Washington, DC)- The Metropolitan Police Department's Third District Vice Unit along with detectives from the Narcotics and Special Investigations Division and agents of the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives announced the arrest of **nine individuals** following a months-long investigation into violence and drug dealing in the Shaw community. **Charges include firearms violations, drug distribution and robbery.**

During the course of this investigation crack cocaine, drug paraphernalia and other evidence associated with these crimes were seized. Police served search warrants in various sections of the District of Columbia including the <u>Shaw area near</u> <u>8th and R Streets NW</u>, where the group was based. **Investigations are ongoing as MPD continues to address citizens' complaints of loitering and drug dealing**.

"This is significant for this community as many of the suspects who were charged did not reside in that neighborhood, but loitered there and committed violent crimes," said Police Chief Cathy L. Lanier. "This operation is part of the Metropolitan Police Department's continued commitment to reduce crime in our neighborhoods."

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MPD Announces Arrests in Recent Robberies

(Washington, DC)- Due to community concerns regarding robberies, the Metropolitan Police Department is releasing information on recent robbery arrests. Members of the public have been helpful in providing information that has led to arrests and MPD encourages members of the public to visit our YouTube page, view videos of cases, and contact police if they recognize persons of interest at http://www.youtube.com/OfficialDCPolice

Third District

Thursday, January 31, 2013, at approximately 11:31 pm, two complainants reported that while in the 400 block of T Street, NW, they were approached by a male suspect armed with a black semi-automatic handgun and demanded the complainants' property. Taken was a cell phone and wallet. An adult male was arrested for Robbery while Armed (Gun)

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