

Weekly Police Beat for the week ending June 17, 2016

Key Used to Steal Car on East Irving Street *House and car keys were left in the front door overnight*

On Saturday morning, June 11, 2016, a resident called to report that her sedan was stolen overnight from in front of her home on East Irving Street. A significant amount of golf equipment was inside the car at the time, and all of it was stolen, as well.

The victim stated that she believes that she left her house and car keys hanging in the lock in the front door after she went inside. Apparently, the thief took the keys from the lock and drove away in the car sometime during the night.

Unusual Phone Calls Received By 2 Village Residents

The first resident received a strange call on Friday, June 3; the second resident received a similar call on Friday, June 10. Both calls came in between 5pm and 6pm, and in each case, the caller expressed his dislike for the appearance of the residents' properties. One of the call recipients lives on Cedar Parkway on the west side of the Village, and the other lives on Western Avenue on the east side.

On each call, the male caller claimed to be a Village resident. The caller's voice was described variously as 'somewhat high-pitched' or 'effeminate.' On the June 3 call, the caller complained about the style of the bricks on the resident's home. On the June 10 call, the caller complained about the appearance of the homeowner's shrubbery, as well as the brickwork on the home.

The caller did not make any threats, but he wanted the homeowners to make changes to their properties. He told one of the two homeowners that the poor appearance of the homeowner's property adversely impacted the caller's property value. The caller provided sufficient information during the calls such that the call recipients believed that the caller was very familiar with the Village and with their properties. The caller refused to provide his name or address, and his phone number did not display on the caller ID system of the recipients. Understandably, the calls were disturbing to each of the homeowners.

The Village Police Department recommends that you ignore calls from unfamiliar numbers or from any caller who has withheld their phone number in order to prevent their number from displaying on your caller ID system. If you do receive a call like the ones described in this announcement (or any unwanted call):

- Tell the caller that you deem the call to be harassment,
- that you do not want any further calls,
- hang up the phone, and
- call the Village Police Department so that we can document the occurrence.