

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP POLICE WEEKLY CRIME BULLETIN

JANUARY 26, 2007

MALL AND VICINITY

THEFT - SHERATON PARK RIDGE HOTEL: Occurred 01/18-19/2007 between 1730 and 0710 hours. An unknown person entered the reserved Brandywine room and removed an Optima LCD projector valued at \$4000 from within.

RETAIL THEFT - NEW YORK SHADES: Occurred 01/19/2007 at 1714 hours. Complainant reported that a male was at the kiosk looking at sunglasses and walked away with two pair of sunglasses. The victim observed this and chased the person through the mall ultimately losing sight of him. The thief is described as a black male, 20's, approximately 5'6", medium build wearing a crocodile printed leather jacket and a baseball type hat and had a band aid on his left cheek.

RETAIL THEFT - ZUMIEZ: Occurred 01/20/2007 between 2130 and 2200 hours. Complainant reported that two females entered location, looked around then left. They returned a few minutes later accompanied by four males. Complainant observed one of the females conceal a sweatshirt in a shopping bag. The two females and one of the males began to run out of the store and the complainant gave chase. Subsequently the females dropped the bags they were carrying and one was seen entering a silver Dodge mini-van bearing a Maryland registration (possibly XPV39L). The other female entered a white Chevrolet Cavalier and drove off through several red lights.

ROBBERY - SHELL STATION: Occurred 01/21/2007 at 0601 hours. Complainant reported that a black male entered location, went to the cooler section and removed a Mountain Dew soda then walked to the front counter. The male handed the clerk a ten dollar bill and when the register opened, the black male produced a silver colored hand gun and demanded money. The clerk was ordered to the ground and the robber left in an unknown direction. The gunman and a getaway driver have been identified through a joint investigation of several robberies with neighboring departments.

RETAIL THEFT - VICTORIA'S SECRET: Occurred 01/24/2007 between 2145 and 2149 hours. Four unidentified thieves were stuffing bags with merchandise at location when an employee approached. A male and a female each pushed the employee and all four thieves ran out of the store. They were last seen entering an older model, late 80's Lincoln, dark blue in color with several dents. The description of the thieves is as follows: black male, 25-30 yoa, 6'2", 200 lbs wearing a Roco Wear jacket and blue jeans; black male 25-30 yoa, 5'8", 175 lbs; black female 25-30 yoa, 5'4", 150 lbs, wearing pink pants; and black female 25-30 yoa no further description. Approximately \$3,000 worth of merchandise was taken from the store.

THEFT - CHRISTIAN BERNARD: Occurred 01/24/2007. A male ran off with a 1.65 ct diamond ring valued at \$6,000 when the manager at location went into the back room to steam clean another ring. The thief is described as: black male, 20-25 yoa, 5'7", 170 lbs, thin build, clean cut short black hair, no facial hair, clear complexion, no glasses wearing a tan/brown cloth jacket with a brown shirt on underneath that had unknown writing on it with white sneakers.

RETAIL THEFT - BLOOMINGDALES: Occurred 01/21/2007 at 1417 hours. A female and male entered location and removed a designer Burberry handbag from location and fled into the parking lot. Loss prevention officers pursued the male who entered a grey colored Ford Contour Delaware registration 554382 and drove off.

AREA NORTH OF RT 202 AND WEST OF HENDERSON RD

THEFT FROM & MISCHIEF TO VEHICLE:

300 Block Old Fort Road: Occurred 01/14-15/2007 between 2250 and 0930 hours. An unknown person threw an unknown object at the windshield of a 2001 Pontiac Grand Marquis causing it to crack.

AREA EAST OF HENDERSON RD

THEFT FROM & MISCHIEF TO VEHICLE:

700 Block Tose St: Occurred 01/22/2007. An unknown person removed the registration plate of GBY3707 from a 1995 Honda Civic.

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BURGLARY ARREST- 300 BLOCK W CHURCH RD: Occurred 01/23/2007 at 1220 hours. A neighbor reported she observed a white male on the left side of her neighbor's residence then saw him move to the rear. When she observed the male walking out from the rear carrying a bag, she called UMPD. A responding officer spotted the male and he was arrested for burglary.