

# UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP POLICE



## WEEKLY BULLETIN

For the week ending on **March 9, 2017**

Upper Merion Police Officers responded to 554 calls for service including 39 automobile crashes, 10 Retail Thefts, 10 domestics, 9 disabled vehicles, 15 meet complainants and 50 alarms. Some notable incidents from the same are detailed below:

### MALL AND VICINITY

#### Retail Theft

**West Elm 690 West DeKalb Pike – occurred 3/6/17 at 1515 hours**

An employee stated that a female walked into the store with several bags one being a West Elm bag. The female stated she was there to return bedding items that did not work out for her. She then walked to the back of the store and placed items in the West Elm bag and then went to the register to return what she just picked up. When asked about her receipt she left the store with the merchandise.

#### Theft Report

**Microsoft 160 North Gulph Road – occurred 3/3/17 at 2012 hours**

A store employee noticed a Surface Book missing from a front display table. When reviewing the CCTV it shows a male taking the computer.

**Primark 160 North Gulph Road – occurred 3/4/17 between 1940 and 1950 hours**

Victim stated she sat her purse down on the floor for several minutes and when she returned the purse was gone. LPA reviewed the video and it shows a male with two females and a baby stroller. The male notices the purse, picks it up and the three leave the store abruptly.

**Auntie Anne's Pretzels 160 North Gulph Road – occurred 3/6/17 at 2008 hours**

The victim and her boyfriend made a purchase and sat a Foot Locker bag down on the floor. When they were getting ready to leave the mall they realized they did not have the bag and it was gone when they returned. Security viewed the video which showed two males and a female. The one male and female walk through the doors to the back hallway and the second male kicked the bag to the doorway. Security stated the female worked at another kiosk. When questioned she did not know anything about the bag and did not know the guys. At 2103 hours UMPD received a call that the bag was turned into customer service. Officers picked up the bag and returned it to the victim.

## AREA NORTH OF ROUTE 202 AND WEST OF HENDERSON ROAD

### **Scam**

#### **2000 Valley Forge Cr – occurred 3/6/17 at 1345 hours**

Complainant stated in February she had a problem with the internet connection on her computer and Hewlett-Packard Company fixed it. She stated that days later she received a call from a subject stating there was a problem with billing and she needed to send \$2000.00 to a subject in Florida via a Walmart money gram. Walmart denied the transaction. So the complainant bought 28 iTunes gift cards for \$1200.00 and sent them to the Ukraine. She then realized this was a scam and went to the bank to close her account.

### **Retail Theft**

#### **Bed Bath and Beyond 224 West DeKalb Pike – occurred 3/7/17 at 1424 hours**

The manager stated that a male entered the store and picked up an espresso/cappuccino machine and leaves the store with a female; they were observed leaving the area in a blue vehicle.

## AREA EAST OF HENDERSON ROAD

### **Criminal Mischief**

#### **600 block of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street – occurred between 1830 hours on 3/6/17 and 3/7/17**

Resident returned to his vehicle parked in the driveway to find his windshield was damaged by two BB gun style holes.

## GULPH MILLS AND VICINITY

### **Damage to Property**

#### **200 block of South Gulph Road – occurred between 3/3/17 and 3/4/17**

Resident reports that sometime overnight his mailbox and the mailbox next door were damaged.