

May 8, 2008

Area residents

Re: WHPS case 08002273 Attempted Residential Burglary

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On 05/07/08 West Hennepin Public Safety (WHPS) was notified of an attempted residential burglary that was likely to have occurred on Tuesday 05/06/08. The report was in the 4600 block of South Lake Sarah Dr. The suspect(s) were not able to gain entry but did use force to make the attempt at the front door.

In cases such as this, it is often the case that the burglar will knock on the door to see if anyone is home. They usually do not want to enter a home that is occupied. If someone comes to the door they may make up an excuse as to something or somewhere they are looking for, and they need directions.

If this occurs, or if any other suspicious circumstance occurs, WHPS is encouraging all residents to call 911. Attempt to get a license plate and description of the suspect and vehicle if possible. WHPS needs the assistance of the citizens to call in suspicious activity. The lack of reporting crucial information such as suspicious people and or vehicles results in WHPS not being able to identify the criminals or stop the burglary from occurring. WHPS officers welcome the suspicious circumstance calls and will check them out immediately.

WHPS also encourages residents to lock their doors and make sure they have quality deadbolts installed. This will not always prevent a burglar from entering, but may thwart their efforts and cause them to look elsewhere for an easier target. If you want assistance in having WHPS inspect your home for safety and security, Sgt. Gary Kroells is the WHPS crime prevention officer and would be happy to assist you.

Also of concern in the South Lake Sarah area is the continued use of Tamarack Park by ATV riders. Witnesses have seen youths using four wheelers in the park and suspect they are from the area. City Ordinance prohibits motor vehicles from the park for the safety of park users and the prevention of damage to city property.

If you have any concerns please feel free to contact me at 763-479-0500.

Sincerely,

West Hennepin Public Safety

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ray McCoy".

Director Ray McCoy

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