



Crime Report – May 2016

Residents of Hedwig Village,

You are receiving this Crime Report because you are on the City of Hedwig Village email list. It is meant to provide you with information on what is taking place in your community. This information should be used to help protect you and your family from becoming a victim of crime. You can also see crime incident information at any time by visiting www.CrimeReports.com.

This month we had a reminder of the dangers of police work when two of our officers were assaulted by a male in mental distress. The officers responded to a call about the male assaulting his mother in front of the Memorial Antiques store in the 8700 block of the Katy Freeway. The male had just been seen by a psychiatrist and was resisting his mother's attempt to have him take his prescribed medication. The officers observed the assault taking place and attempted to arrest the male. He resisted arrest and struck both officers, causing one officer to receive some bruising to his face and the officer a concussion. The male was arrested and charged with two counts of Aggravated Assault of a Police Officer. Both officers have recovered and are back at work.

In a separate incident on May 31, 2016, night shift officers received an alarm call to the Bank of America. Once the officers arrived, they observed three black males standing out front of the bank with a large saw. Once seeing the officers, the males fled on foot. The officers gave chase and with the assistance of our surrounding agencies, two of the suspects were arrested. One of the suspects went into medical duress and died. Before losing consciousness, he claimed to have asthma and said he was having trouble breathing. The Village Fire Department EMS, who were on the scene, attempted lifesaving methods but to no avail. Cause of death is pending the medical examiner ruling. The other suspect was charged with Evading Arrest and Felony Theft. The males had been attempting to break into the ATM machine with the saw.

In May 2016, we had the following criminal incidents in the Residential District of Hedwig Village:

Burglary of a Motor Vehicle

On May 2, 2016, a pistol and some cash were stolen from an unlocked vehicle in the Memorial Green Condominiums.

On May 4, 2016, a vehicle was broken into in the La Renaissance Apartments and several items were stolen.

On May 8, 2016, a resident on Deepwell reported that two pistols were missing from his vehicle. It could not be determined how the vehicle was entered or when or where the break-in occurred.

Criminal Mischief

On May 2, 2016, the ignition switch to an unlocked vehicle was damaged in the Memorial Green Condominiums.

In the Commercial Districts, we had the following criminal incidents in May 2016:

- 1 Assault (see above, assault on officers)
- 1 Auto Theft
- 1 Burglary of a Business
- 7 Burglaries of Motor Vehicles
- 2 Criminal Mischief (damage to property)
- 1 Robbery
- 9 Thefts (6 shopliftings, 3 other thefts)

If you know another Hedwig Village resident who would like to receive these emails please refer them to the following link for signup -

<https://thecityofhedwigvillage.com/enotificationform.html>

Along with this information, there are some simple things you can do to protect you and your property: always lock the doors to your house, garage and vehicles; keep items out of view inside your vehicle whether shopping or at home; and the most important - be aware of your surroundings and **in the event anything seems wrong or out of place call the police department immediately.** Please review the Hedwig Village Police Department Safety Guide at the following link for more valuable crime prevention tips

<https://www.thecityofhedwigvillage.com/documents/2014/HVPD%20Personal%20Safety%20Guide.pdf>

In the event you want to commend the actions of a specific police department employee or have any questions or concerns you can contact me personally by calling the department at (713) 461-4797, or by e-mail at dgott@thecityofhedwigvillage.com

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