

From: Mayor
Sent: Friday, January 6, 2017 3:34 PM
To: Heather Mallow
Cc: Steve Pappalardo; Robert Cole; Andrew A. Matturro
Subject: Fw: Burglary Information Update

Dear Ms. Mallow -- See the email below from Chief Matturro responding to your email of January 3, 2017 on the subjects discussed.

Very truly yours, Jon Mark

From: Andrew A. Matturro
Sent: Friday, January 6, 2017 12:13 PM
To: Mayor; Steve Pappalardo
Subject: Burglary Information Update

Mayor Mark and Village Manager Pappalardo,

I received a copy of Ms. Mallow's email regarding "Security in Fox Meadow". I appreciate Ms. Mallow's assistance, continued concern and support of our efforts.

In furtherance of our recent conversations, it is important to provide Ms. Mallow with accurate information regarding the scope of the issue and the continued efforts of the Village and the Police Department. During the holiday time frame mentioned, the village experienced 2 completed burglaries and 2 attempted burglaries. These include; 12/22 an attempt on Hampton Road, 12/24 an attempt on Haverford Ave, 12/26 a completed burglary on Church Lane and on 12/28 a completed burglary on Harvest Lane. As such, the Fox Meadow area as well as the West Quaker Ridge areas were affected. Throughout the year, several other neighborhoods have been affected.

Prior to the end of 2016, our department began deploying both of our License Plate Readers (LPR's) in Fox Meadow and East Scarsdale. I authorized additional burglary patrol and we have deployed a covert camera in the Fox Meadow area. I have met with the District Attorney's Investigation Squad and requested additional cameras and LPR's. It is important that we do not disclose the location of these cameras as it would compromise our investigative efforts. We must consider apprehension just as important as prevention and deterrence.

In addition, our increased patrol has yielded positive investigative results. Over the past several weeks our officers, on the 3PM-11PM and 11PM-7AM tours, have stopped and identified individuals on separate occasions, in areas that have been affected. These individuals were identified and Field Investigation Reports were completed related to the stops, 2 of the individuals were arrested on charges unrelated to burglary during the investigations. The information has been shared with the Westchester Intelligence Unit and the Westchester County Crime Analysis Unit which will be distributed throughout the County. There are several other positive leads that I cannot elaborate on at this time so as not to compromise the investigations.

As I mentioned in my recent presentation to the Village Board, we continue to work with several other agencies as they have been experiencing burglaries in their jurisdiction over the same time period. As a result of 2 of our burglary arrests in 2016, we learned that our suspects had committed burglaries in neighboring jurisdictions as well. In particular, we have worked with Eastchester, Greenburgh, Harrison, New Rochelle, Bronxville and Ardsley Police Departments.

The total number of completed burglaries for 2016 was 32. That is a slight increase from 2015.

During my Village Board presentation, I encouraged residents to contact us if they observed any suspicious or criminal activity. There has been an increase in reported calls and I would like to emphasize the importance of receiving these types of reports, the community's assistance is invaluable. We would also like to encourage homeowners that have alarm systems to make sure they are activated. We will be posting additional crime prevention tips on the Village's Web Site and the Investigation Section will be available to pass along further crime prevention material.

We will continue these efforts and I will keep you informed as to the results. If I can provide any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Chief Andrew Matturro



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