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Community Bulletin, March 2009



Message from Staff Inspector Larry Sinclair #88

UNIT COMMANDER OF 53 DIVISION

Greetings, and welcome to the March 2009 edition of our 53 Division Community Bulletin.

Reported incidents of crime in our Division, based on the seven major crime categories, are down an average of 10 % compared with the same period during 2008. However, there have been some slight increases in the number of reported break and enters, robberies and sexual assaults.

We have experienced significant reductions in reported motor vehicle collisions.

To date, Personal Injury and Property Damage collisions have decreased by 39% and 5% respectively compared with 2008. Remember during the winter months, road and weather conditions have a definite impact on how much time it takes to travel to a destination. The majority of collisions occur because we're in a hurry and we don't leave ourselves enough time to get to where we're going safely. Consequently, we take chances which result in speeding, following too closely and disobeying traffic signals and signs. The solution is simple-allow more time to account for weather, road and traffic conditions so we all get to where we're going safely.

Beginning March 16th, students in our community will be on their 'March Break'. Please keep in mind that, during this week, there will be many more children on the streets of our neighbourhoods during the daytime. When driving, particularly in our residential areas, be aware of these young people and drive with extra caution.

I thank you the residents and business people of our Division for your continued interest in and support of our initiatives to maximize our community's safety, security and quality of life.

I am pleased to announce that Pat Moore, a long time member of our 53 Division Community Police Liaison Committee, is the recipient of this year's 'Agnes MacPhail Award'. This award is presented annually to an East York resident who has made an outstanding contribution, as a volunteer, to social justice. Pat will be honoured on Tuesday, March 24th at 7:00 P.M. at the East York Civic Centre, 850 Coxwell Ave. Congratulations Pat.

Finally, congratulations to Staff Sergeant Tony Riviere, formerly of 53 Division, who is being promoted to Inspector effective Monday March 2nd. Inspector Riviere is being transferred to the Training and Education Unit at C.O. Bick College.

Regards.

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What is the Toronto Anti-Violence Intervention Strategy?

The Toronto Anti-Violence Intervention Strategy, or **TAVIS** for short, is the plan that the Toronto Police Service is using to reduce violence and fear in neighbourhoods. The plan uses *community mobilization* to:

- reduce crime and disorder,
- make neighbourhoods safer, and
- bring neighbours together to keep their neighbourhood safe and liveable.

How does TAVIS work?

Your local division is the frontline of TAVIS; all officers are involved. Your neighbourhood has been assigned a Neighbourhood Officer. This officer is now working with people in your neighbourhood to find lasting solutions to crime and disorder issues.

The Neighbourhood Officer, community members and other service providers in the neighbourhood are:

- identifying crime and disorder issues,
- developing strategies to address these issues,
- implementing these plans, and
- monitoring the effectiveness of the plans.

All officers of the Toronto Police Service, including the four Rapid Response Teams, the Toronto Drug Squad, the Gun and Gang Task Force, and Intelligence Services, support the divisions in carrying out the neighbourhood plans.

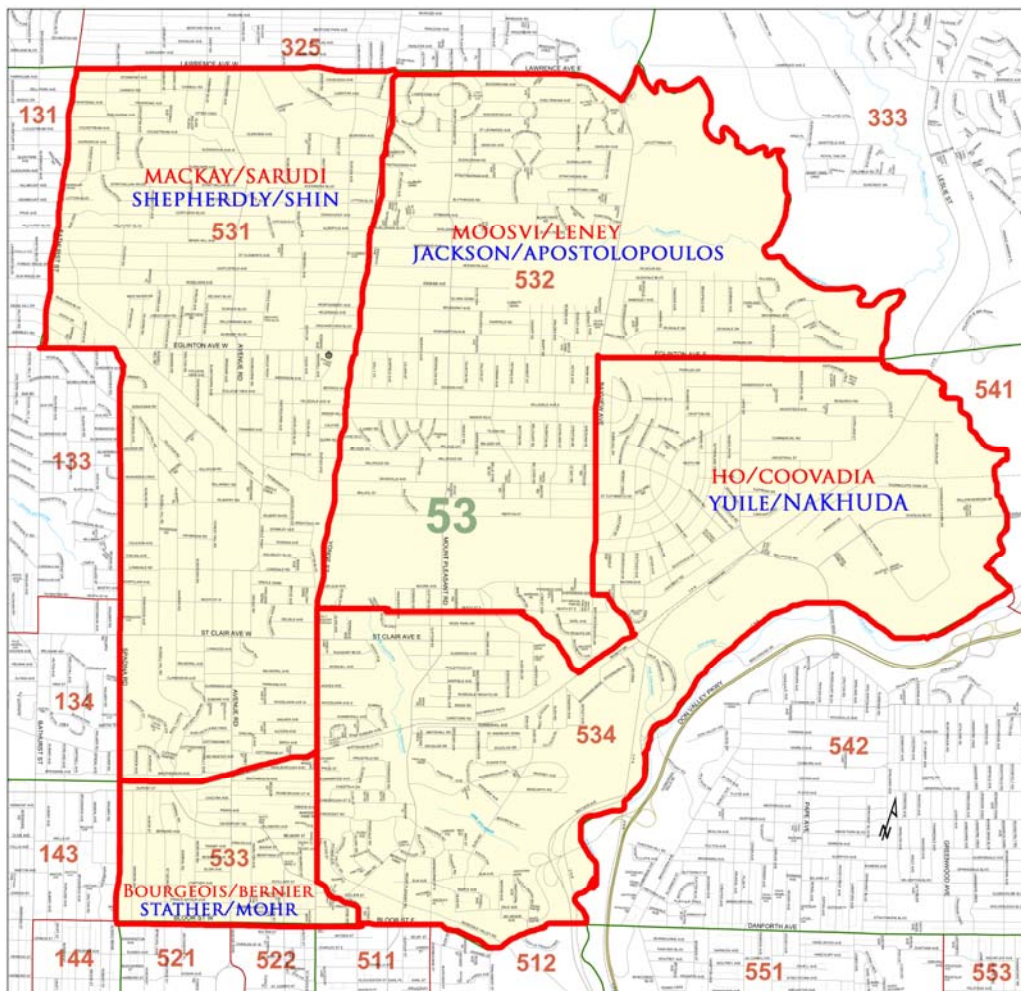
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Neighbourhoods in the 53 Division

Community members interested in speaking with their assigned Neighbourhood Officer(s) are encouraged to telephone the 53 Division Community Response Office at 416-808-5319.



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NEIGHBOURHOOD OFFICERS

FA-1

SGT. MATT MUNGAL #4201

- PC AB COOVADIA #874
- PC VICTOR SARUDI #8568
- PC JOSEPH HO #99438
- PC JEAN BOURGEOIS #5461
- PC RON MACKAY #99680
- PC ALI MOOSVI #5718
- PC TOM LENEY #9582
- PC JAMI BERNIER #9058

FA-2

SGT. RICK GIBILLINI #4677

- PC SEAN MOHR # 8614
- PC JANET STAHER #5374
- PC BRIAN YUILE #99750
- PC HANIF NAKHUDA #5466
- PC GORD SHEPHERDLY #1221
- PC WAYNE JACKSON #5049
- PC HAROLD SHIN # 8792
- PC JIM APOSTOLOPOULOS

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Contacting the Toronto Police Service



Emergencies or Crimes in Progress

If you require emergency assistance, or want to report a crime in progress, please call **9-1-1**. An emergency is any situation where people or property are at risk. (including but not limited to fires, crimes in progress or medical emergencies.)

Non-Emergency

If you require Police assistance, but are not in an emergency situation (e.g. Reporting thefts, vandalism, fraud) or for other situations where no person or property is in immediate danger, please call our non-emergency telephone number at **416-808-2222**.

TDD (TTY) - Telecommunications Device for the Deaf

For emergencies, dial **9-1-1** and **press the space bar announcer key repeatedly** until a response is received.

The Toronto Police Service non-emergency TDD number is: **416-467-0493**.

Crime Stoppers

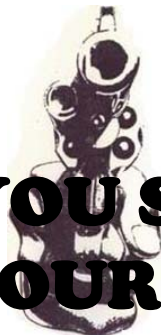
If you have information about a crime that you would like to report anonymously, please call Crime Stoppers at **416-222-TIPS** (8477), toll-free 1-800-222-TIPS, or visit their website: <http://www.toronto-crimestoppers.com/>.



WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?
CALL 416-343-GUNS (4867) or
e-mail: ReportingGuns@torontopolice.on.ca

TORONTO POLICE SERVICE
URBAN ORGANIZED CRIME SQUAD TIP LINE

- . Guaranteed confidentiality**
- . No call display**
- . Remain anonymous (if you wish)**



THE LIFE YOU SAVE COULD
BE YOUR OWN!



MAJOR ARRESTS



Robbery

On Tuesday February 3rd 2009, the two suspects were in Eglinton Park near the soccer fields. The victim at the time was walking through the park and was approached by both suspects. They made a demanded for money from the victim while producing a large folding knife.

The victim started to run before either of the suspects could grab hold of him, running through the park and into a nearby library. Both suspects gave chase following the victim. However they both fled when the victim made his way to the front desk and advised the clerk he had been robbed and to call police.

Police attended the area and located both suspects loitering in a nearby mall.

Both suspects were arrested and transported to 53 Division for further investigation.

Charged with robbery and carry a concealed weapon is **Kyle PECSKIE**, 20 years of no fixed address and a **Young Offender**. Both were held for a show cause hearing to answer to the charges.

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Break & Enter

On Monday February 9th, 2009 at 7:30am, the suspect was prowling around homes in the Yonge St and Summerhill Ave area. He went to the rear of an address on Tacoma Ave and located a rear door unlocked. He entered the kitchen area of the home and located the victim's wallet and digital camera and then left.

At approximately 9:10 am, the suspect attended the Circuit City store on Bloor St East and attempted to purchase an XBOX 360 Game console with the victims CIBC credit card. The sales associate became suspicious due to the appearance of the suspect and because the card indicated the authorized card holder was a Doctor. The store associate stalled the transaction and called Mall Security.

Security attended and the suspect fled the store, eventually being apprehended after a short foot chase. Police attended and continued the arrest.

The suspect was transported to 53 Division for further investigation. During the investigation it was revealed that the suspect's shoes matched the footprints that were obtained from a break & enter that occurred at a home on Rosedale Heights Dr earlier that morning at 2:30 am.

Charged with 2 counts of break & enter, fraudulently use credit card data, attempt fraud under \$5000.00, 2 counts of possession of property obtained by crime under \$5000.00 and fail to comply with probation is **Remington PUOPOLO**, 23 years of no fixed address. He was held for a show cause hearing at College Park Courts to answer to the charges.

Robbery

On Wednesday February the 11th around midnight, the victim was travelling west bound on the Bloor Street Subway when he was approached by the suspect, who attempted to grab the victim's I-PHONE out of his hand. There was a short struggle until the victim was overpowered. The suspect fled with the victim's I-PHONE at the Castle Frank Subway Station.

Police were called and after a search of the area, the suspect was located on the Bloor Viaduct still in possession of the victim's phone.

The suspect was arrested and transported to 53 Division for further investigation.

Charged with robbery is **Kory TYO**, 19 years of Toronto. He was held for a show cause hearing at College Park Courts to answer to the charge.



Bigamy Suspect Nabbed

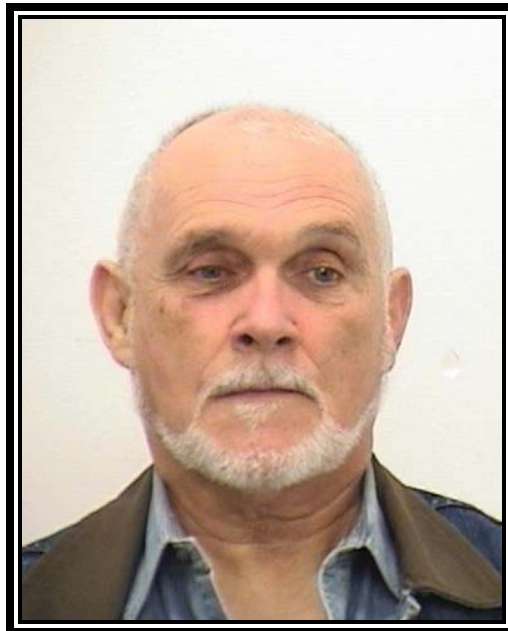
On Thursday, February 12, 2009, police arrested a man for bigamy.

It is alleged that the suspect married a number of women in Ontario and in other parts of the world. The accused has never obtained a legal divorce for any of his previous marriages.

Oliver John Killeen, 71, of Toronto, has been charged with bigamy and is scheduled to appear in court at College Park, on Tuesday, March 24, 2009.

Police believe there may be more victims.

Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 416-808-5300, Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-TIPS (8477), online at www.222tips.com, or text TOR and your message to CRIMES (274637).



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Robbery Suspects Arrested

On Friday, February 13, 2009 at approximately 4:25 pm, the two suspects entered the Mac's Milk store located at 250 Laird Drive armed with knives and wearing disguises.

Both suspects approached the front counter where the victim was standing. They both pulled out large butcher knives and pointed them at the clerk, making demands for cigarettes and cash. When the victim picked up the phone, the two suspects walked around the counter and grabbed the victim to stop him from calling the police. The victim managed to break hold of their grasp and jumped over the counter in an attempt to get away.

Both suspects chased the victim hitting him on the back of the head numerous times with their knives. The victim was knocked to the ground and grabbed by the suspects and pushed back behind the counter. They held open their duffel bags and forced the victim to fill the two bags with cigarettes. After filling their bags, the victim jumped back over the counter and fled the store.

A witness who had entered the store while the robbery was taking place called 9-1-1 as the two suspects fled on foot.

Police arrived and observed the two suspects fleeing. A brief foot pursuit ensued and the two suspects were arrested along with the property from the store.

Charged with robbery, weapons dangerous, assault with a weapon and disguise with intent are **two 14 year old Young Offenders**. They were both held for a show cause hearing.

Prowler Arrested

On Saturday the 14th of February 2009 at approximately 3:50am, the complainant in this matter woke up after hearing a noise outside. The victim looked outside and saw the suspect sitting inside the driver's seat of a vehicle parked in the driveway of a home on Dunvegan Road.

The suspect left the vehicle and start walking towards another vehicle in the driveway. The complainant yelled and the suspect ran off.

Police were called were given a thorough description of the suspect. After a search of the area, the suspect was located near a bus shelter at Archer Road and Spadina Road.

The suspect was arrested and transported to 53 Division for further investigation.

Charged with prowl by night and attempt theft under \$5000.00 is **My HUYNH**, 51 years of no fixed address. He was held for a show cause hearing at Old City hall Courts to answer to the Charges.

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Prowler Arrested

On Sunday February 15th 2009 at approximately 3:00am, the suspect was observed by the home owner on Dale Avenue coming from the side of her home to the front of her driveway. The suspect then attempted to enter the victim's vehicle with no success. He was then observed trying to enter several other vehicles which were parked on Dale Avenue.

The suspect then made his way to Hawthorn Ave where he entered two vehicles that were parked on the street. Police were called and located the suspect near Hawthorne Ave and Dale Avenue.

The suspect was arrested and transported to 53 Division for further investigation.

Charged with prowl by night, attempt theft under \$5000, theft under \$5000 and possession of property obtained by crime under \$5000 is **Paul DOWNEY**, 42 years of Toronto. He was held for a show cause hearing at College Park Courts to answer to the charges.

Robbery

On Tuesday February 17th 2009 at 12:30 pm, the victim was walking westbound on Roehampton Avenue towards Mount Pleasant Rd.

At this time he was approached by the four suspects. One of the four suspects asked the victim for a cigarette. The victim felt uncomfortable as all four suspects moved closer to him. The victim attempted to continue walking but was stopped and then punched in the chest. The victim was winded and the force of the punch caused him to fall to the ground. The victim was held to the ground while the suspects began to search through the victims pockets removing a quantity of cash. All four suspects then fled the scene.

The victim was able to attend Northern Secondary School and advise he had just been robbed. Police were called and searched the area eventually locating and arresting two of the four suspects.

Charged with robbery are **two Young Offenders**, 14 & 16 years. Both were held for a show cause hearing to answer to the charge. The investigation is continuing for the outstanding suspects.

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Break & Enter Bandit Arrested

On Thursday February 19th 2009 at approximately 2:35am, the suspect went to the rear of a restaurant located on Yonge Street near St Clair Ave. At this time he forced the rear door gaining access to the premises, locking the door behind him.

The owner of the Restaurant, who lives above, was alerted by her alarm. She went to the rear of the restaurant, turned on the lights and saw the suspect attempting to force the front door with a large meat cleaver. The victim, fearing for her safety, fled and as she was leaving noticed Police Officers who were in the area. The victim gave the officers a description of the suspect. Police began a search of the area and located the suspect walking on Yonge Street towards St. Clair.

The suspect was arrested and transported to 53 Division for further investigation.

During the investigation, it was revealed that the suspect was also responsible for numerous breaks & enters on Bloor St West during the month of February.

Charged with 9 counts of break & enter, weapons dangerous, 2 counts of mischief under \$5000 and possession of property obtained by crime under \$5000 is **Gerald MORIN**, 43 years of no fixed address. He was held for a show cause hearing at College Park Courts to answer to the charges.



MAJOR NEWS RELEASES

City of Toronto employee faces three charges in fraud investigation.

In January 2009, the Toronto Police Service received information from the City of Toronto regarding the actions of one of their employees.

Currently, the City of Toronto offers a water service repair program when water pressure in a home is measured at a rate of less than fifteen litres per minute. Should the water pressure in a home exceed fifteen litres per minute, the home owner would not qualify for the grant.

It is alleged that the suspect would check the water flow, then request cash from the home owner in exchange for ensuring they would qualify for the City of Toronto grant.

On Wednesday, February 4, 2009, **Gordon Gautreau**, 47, of Toronto, charged with three counts of Receive Secret Commission.

He is scheduled to appear in court at College Park on Monday, March 16, 2009, 2 p.m., room 505.

Investigators believe there may be additional victims.

Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 416-808-7334, Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-TIPS (8477), online at www.222tips.com, or text TOR and your message to CRIMES (274637).

The Toronto Police Service would like to thank the City of Toronto for their cooperation and assistance with this investigation.

Detective Sergeant Jim Farrell, Fraud Squad. 416-808-7300

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Robbery (Financial Institution) - 53 Division

Two females ages 24 years and 25 years, employees of The Bank of Montreal, 419 Eglinton Avenue West and a 45 year old female report that on February 7, 2009 at approximately 1215 hours, three male suspects, wearing disguises, entered the premises. One suspect brandished a knife and ordered everyone to get on the floor. Two male suspects jumped over the counter and approached a victim. One suspect took a set of keys from one victim and ordered a second victim to open the drawers, while pointing a knife at her neck. The victim complied. The suspects ordered the victim back on the floor and removed a quantity of cash from the drawers. One suspect then removed a wallet containing identification from a third victim. The suspects fled the scene westbound on Eglinton Avenue West. The victims did not sustain any injuries. Police are requesting the assistance of the public in identifying the following described persons in connection with this offence. Description of Suspect #1: Male, south asian, 18 to 20 years, 5'8" to 5'11", thin build. Suspects #2 and #3: Male, 18 to 20 years, 5'8" to 5'11", thin build

Homicide #24/2007, Glen Davis, 66, Update, Reward announced

The Toronto Police Service has announced a \$50,000 reward in Homicide #24/2007, the murder of Glen Davis, 66.

On Friday, May 18, 2007, at 2:14 p.m., police received a call for a collapse at the underground parking lot of an apartment in the Eglinton Avenue East/Mount Pleasant Road area. Officers located a man suffering from obvious gunshot wounds to the torso. The victim was taken to hospital where he was pronounced.

The person of interest is described as male, white, 20-25, 6'2"-6'4", 170-180 lbs. with short, black hair. He was last seen wearing blue jeans and a black shirt.

The male suspect is described as white, 20-25, 5'9", heavy build with short hair. He was last seen wearing a grey jacket with a hood, blue jeans, blue baseball hat, a dark-coloured knapsack and white running shoes.

Visit the new Homicide Squad web page for more details of the Rewards program. Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 416-808-7400, Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-TIPS (8477), online at www.222tips.com, or text TOR and your message to CRIMES (274637).

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HOMICIDE SQUAD BULLETIN
Homicide # 24/2007



MURDER at 245 Eglinton Ave. E (53 Division)

PERSON OF INTEREST & SUSPECT SOUGHT FOR IDENTIFICATION

On Friday May 18th, 2007 shortly before 2:00 PM Glen Davis was discovered in the P2 underground parking lot of 245 Eglinton Ave. E. He died as a result of injuries sustained during a confrontation with a suspect who was armed with a gun.

The Person of interested (pictured below) was captured on video near the scene of the murder. He is described as : Male / White, approximately 6'2" – 6'4", 160-170 lbs, slim build. The POI was recorded in the company of the suspect.

Investigators believe the suspect to be in his early to mid-20's, 5'6" – 5'9", heavy build, short hair. He was last seen to be wearing a Grey Jacket (with a hood), Blue Jeans, Blue Baseball Hat, a dark coloured knapsack and white running shoes.



IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION CONTACT:
Detective Sergeant Peter Moreira (416) 808-7394 or
Detective Sergeant Michael Barsky (416) 808-7422
HOMICIDE (416) 808-7400



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TORONTO POLICE SERVICE
HOMICIDE SQUAD

\$50,000 REWARD

GLEN DAVIS WAS MURDERED ON **MAY 18TH, 2007**, SHORTLY AFTER **2:00 P.M** IN THE UNDERGROUND PARKING GARAGE OF **245 EGLINTON AVE. EAST**.



I AM AUTHORIZING A REWARD OF **\$50,000** FROM THE **TORONTO POLICE SERVICE** FOR EVIDENCE LEADING TO THE IDENTIFICATION, ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE PERSON OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER OF **GLEN DAVIS**. MEMBERS OF **LAW ENFORCEMENT** AND **CORRECTIONAL AGENCIES** ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO COLLECT THIS REWARD.

ANYONE WITH INFORMATION IS ASKED TO CALL THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS AT THE
TORONTO POLICE SERVICE HOMICIDE SQUAD.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT PETER MOREIRA 416-808-7394
A/DETECTIVE SERGEANT MICHAEL BARSKY 416-808-7422

WILLIAM S. BLAIR
Chief of Police

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Robbery (Business) - 53 Division

A 34 year old female employee for Esso Gas, 866 Avenue Road, reports that on February 11, 2009 at approximately 2207 hours two male suspects wearing disguises entered the premises. The suspects produced knives and came behind the counter. Both suspects made a demand for the victim to open the cash register. The victim did not comply. One suspect removed a quantity of cash from the register and the second suspect removed a quantity of cash from a cash box. The suspects fled the scene eastbound on Chaplin Crescent. No injuries were sustained by the victim. Police are requesting the assistance of the public in identifying the following described persons in connection with this offence. Description of Suspect #1: Male, 5'7"-5'8", 140 pounds, thin build. NO FURTHER DESCRIPTION AVAILABLE. Suspect #2: Male, 5'11", 150 pounds, thin build. NO FURTHER DESCRIPTION AVAILABLE.

Robbery (Mugging) - 53 Division

A 17 year old male reports that on February 13, 2009 at approximately 0117 hours he was in the area of Yonge Street and Lawrence Avenue West when he was approached from behind by two male suspects. One suspect grabbed the victim and pushed him against a wall and produced a knife. The suspect made a demand for cash. The victim complied. The suspects fled the scene in an unknown direction. No injuries were sustained by the victim. Police are requesting the assistance of the public in identifying the following described persons in connection with this offence. Description of Suspect #1: Male, black, 18-22 years, 5'10"-6', 180-200 pounds, brown eyes, black hair. Suspect #2: Male, black, 18-22 years, 5'8"-5'9", 150-169 pounds, medium build, brown eyes.

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Public Safety Alert, Police request assistance with break and enter investigations. 53 Division

In December 2008, police started an investigation into several break and enters in the Annex area, Bloor Street to Dupont Street, west to Bathurst Street and east to Avenue Road.

It is reported that the suspect(s) specifically targeted ground-floor apartment units, accessing them through the fire escapes.

The majority of entries have occurred during daylight hours, and during the entry a knife has been used.

Police are reminding residents to be cautious, be vigilant in ensuring your doors and windows are secured, even when you are home.

Any suspicious activities should be reported to police immediately.

Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 416-808-5300, Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-TIPS (8477), online at www.222tips.com, or text TOR and your message to CRIMES (274637).

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Sexual Assault - 53 Division

A 32 year old female reports that on February 22, 2009 at approximately 1305 hours, she was in the area of Broadway Avenue and Yonge Street when she was sexually assaulted by a male suspect(s). The victim did not require medical attention. Police are requesting the assistance of the public in identifying the following described person in connection with this offence. Description of Suspect: Male, white, 20 to 23 years, 5'6" to 5'7", 169 pounds, medium build, blond hair.

Robbery (Purse Snatch) - 53 Division

A 58 year old female reports that on February 20, 2009 at approximately 2326 hours, she was in the area of Bernard Avenue and Avenue Road when she was approached by a male suspect on a bicycle. The suspect grabbed the victim's purse and fled northbound on Avenue Road. No injuries were sustained by the victim. Police are requesting the assistance of the public in identifying the following described person in connection with this offence. Description of Suspect: Male, black. NO FURTHER DESCRIPTION AVAILABLE.

Robbery (Home Invasion) - 53 Division

Five male victims report that on February 24, 2009 at approximately 01:50 hours, they were inside an apartment building in the No. 53 Division area when a female suspect knocks at the door. One of the victims opened the door and three male suspects, one wearing a bandana forced their entry into the premises, then the female suspect fled the scene in an unknown direction. Once inside, one suspect produced a handgun and pointed it at one of the victims' neck, at which time, another suspect retrieved a knife from the kitchen. The suspects ordered the victims to the ground and demanded money. The suspects removed a quantity of cash, cell phones and wallets from the victims. One of the victims was taken to a bedroom and the other victims were taken one by one to a closet. All the suspects then fled the scene in an unknown direction. No injuries were sustained by the victims. Police are requesting the assistance of the public in identifying the following described persons in connection with this offence. Description of Suspect #1: Male, black, 22 to 25 years, 5'8". Suspect #2: Female, black, 22 to 24 years, 5'0", thin build, short black hair. Suspect #3: Male, black, 22 to 24 years, 5'10" to 5'11", medium build. Suspect #4: Male, black, 22 to 24 years, 6'2" to 6'4", stocky build.

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”Have Your Say”

In 2008, the Toronto Police will be producing its Environmental Scan. This document is an assessment and review of major issues and trends and it is used by the Police Services Board, Chief of Police, and Deputies to set the priorities and goals in the Service's Business Plan. Public consultations are a very important part of the environmental scanning process. You are not asked for your identity and your answer will be added to the information reported in the Scan, helping to set the Service's priorities for the next few years.

These surveys are designed to find out how you feel about certain issues. New surveys will appear every three weeks. The results of the previous survey will be available on our Surveys page. Your participation is appreciated.

Simply go to the Toronto Police Service web site at www.torontopolice.on.ca. Then click on the " Have Your Say Fill Out Our Surveys" box.

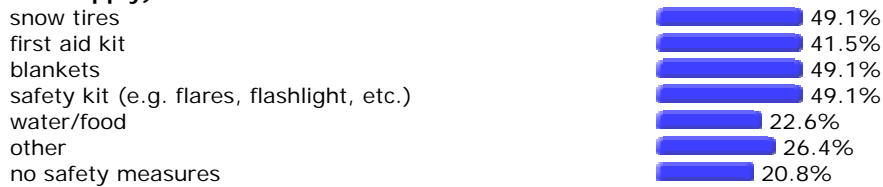


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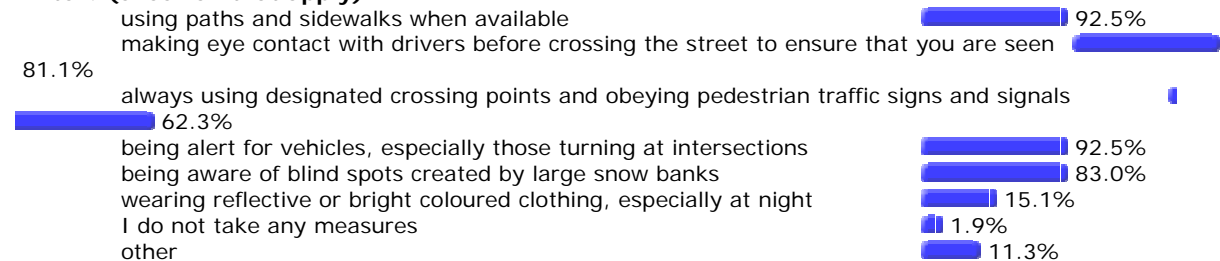
Have Your Say – January 26 to February 15, 2009

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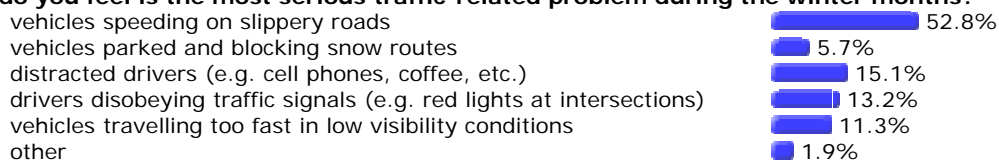
1. In the winter months do you typically use any of the following safety measures in/on your vehicle? (check all that apply)



2. What safety measures if any, do you take as a pedestrian, to avoid personal injury during the winter? (check all that apply)



3. What do you feel is the most serious traffic-related problem during the winter months?



4. Do you live or work in Toronto?





CRIME PREVENTION TIP OF THE MONTH
POLICE CONSTABLE RICK LANGSTONE #6281

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Privacy is having the ability to control how your personal information is collected and used. Canada's banks understand the importance of protecting their customers' personal information and take great effort to ensure that the information that they have about you remains safe and secure.

In the wrong hands, certain personal information could be used to carry out different financial crimes, ranging from debit and credit card fraud to email scams and real estate fraud, or it could be used to commit identity theft. All banks have privacy policies in place and dedicated privacy officers who ensure that their customers' information is being protected.

The banking industry has long been a leader in privacy protection. In fact, many of the voluntary policies initially developed by the banks were adopted by the federal government and are now reflected in the *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA)*, which governs how organizations collect, disclose and provide access to personal information.

Guiding principles that banks follow when dealing with your personal data include:

- Ensuring individuals understand why information is being collected before it is collected
- Obtaining customers' consent regarding the collection, use or disclosure of this information
- Using information only for the purposes for which it has been collected and for which consent was granted
- Providing customers with access to the information held about them and allowing customers to amend or correct their personal information

Working to protect yourself – online and off

Banks work hard to protect the information they have about you, and you should too. Both online and off, savvy criminals are waiting for you to let your guard down and unintentionally provide access to personal data that can be used to steal your money or commit financial fraud.

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Today, the Internet lets you shop, bank, and even interact with friends around the world, all from the comfort of your own home. And because it is so easy and convenient, people often get lulled into a false sense of security. The unfortunate reality is that as Internet use grows, the number of criminals who use online means to commit crimes is also growing.

When using the Internet it is important to safeguard your personal information. Here are some steps you can take to ensure your personal information is secure:

When online, know who you're dealing with and be aware of potential security leaks. You wouldn't give information to just anyone in the off-line world, apply the same common-sense discretion online.

Change your passwords regularly, use hard-to-guess passwords (e.g. using a combination of letters and numbers), and never share your password with anyone – not even close family.

Install and frequently update proven anti-virus software and also maintain a firewall to guard against unwanted access to your computer.

Look for a company's privacy policy or link to its privacy statement when you visit its website. Pay attention to what information the company gathers, how it's used, and with whom it's shared.

Use caution if you receive e-mail from a business or person requesting personal information or directing you to websites that request your password, Social Insurance Number, or other highly sensitive information. If unsure of the legitimacy of a request, call the organization for verification.

When using social networking sites, limit the information you share publicly, avoid posting your phone number, address or birth date and only accept friend requests from people you know.

File sharing websites are popular with online criminals and should be avoided. Legitimate downloading sites have security measures in place to protect your personal data and are a much safer option.

Just shred it

The Internet isn't the only place criminals can access unguarded personal information; they may also be able to find valuable data at the bottom of your driveway.

If you are like most Canadians, each week you probably throw away numerous bills, letters, financial statements and other documents containing personal information. A criminal can easily rummage through your garbage or recycling bin for an old income tax return or credit card bill and gather your personal information.

Luckily there is an easy way to protect yourself; shred all documents containing personal information before they are put into the recycling bin. Personal shredders are easy to use, inexpensive and widely available at office supply and department stores across the country. Shredding documents before you recycle them will go a long way to ensure you do not become a victim of identity theft or financial fraud.

Below is a list of documents that should be shredded before they go out to the curb:

Financial statements from your bank or investment advisor

Bills from phone companies, credit cards and cable and Internet providers

Expired credit cards, insurance claims and old prescription forms

Un-used credit card convenience cheques – Provided by your credit card issuer, these cheques work the same as a personal cheque, but the payment is drawn from your credit card account instead of your bank account. Banks take steps to prevent these cheques from being intercepted and used fraudulently.

Cardholders are not responsible if fraud occurs but it can be an inconvenience so it's still a good idea to shred all convenience cheques that you don't use.



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Crime Prevention



'PROTECT YOUR NEIGHBOUR – PROTECT YOURSELF'

Minimize The Risk of Your Home Being Broken Into

**These are some simple and inexpensive
methods to reduce the chances of being
VICTIMIZED**

Install good quality deadbolt locks and security plates on all exterior doors.

Install good quality locks on all windows.

Lock your doors and windows when you're away from home or retire for the night.

Activate any home security system.

Leave outside lights on during the night and have interior lights on timers.

Install motion sensor lights in driveways, walkways and at the rear of your home.

Don't leave vehicle keys in plain sight.

Immediately report any suspicious activity you see happening in your neighbourhood to the police. If possible please provide any details regarding person(s), vehicles and licence plate numbers.

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If you're away from home for an extended period:

Arrange to have the exterior maintained (snow shovelled and lawn cut)

Arrange for a neighbour to pick up newspapers and mail.

Arrange for a neighbour to place some garbage, recycling or compost containers on your property for pickup.

A Security Audit for your home or business can be arranged by contacting the 53 Division Crime Prevention Officer.

IT'S A MATTER OF DOLLARS AND SENSE

Phone Numbers and Contact Information

9-1-1 is the universal number for emergency response by Ambulance, Police and Fire Services and is available in the Toronto area, 24 hours a day. Remain calm and speak clearly. Identify which emergency service you require (Police, Fire or Ambulance) and be prepared to provide the following information:

What is happening? What is the location? What is your name, address and telephone number.

416- 808-2222 for anything that is not an immediate threat to life or property such as a parking complaint, a noisy party, or lost and found articles.

Crime Stoppers anonymously at **416-222-TIPS (8477)**, online at www.222tips.com, or text TOR and your message to CRIMES (**274637**).

53 Division, 75 Eglinton Ave West M4R 2G9, **416-808-5300** or 53@torontopolice.on.ca

Community Response Unit Manager, Staff Sergeant Peter Henry #4570, **416- 808-5319**

53 Division Crime Prevention Officer, PC Rick Langstone # 6281, **416-808-5337** or richard.langstone@torontopolice.on.ca



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COMMUNITY ALERT / BUSINESS ALERT

53 Division offers a service via the internet to help keep the public informed and it's simple to subscribe to.

Simply log onto the Toronto Police Web Site at: www.torontopolice.on.ca

In the left hand margin, click on police stations.

On the right hand side of the page, click on 53 Division.

On the top right. Click on Sign - up for Community Bulletin and follow the instructions.

Once you send your message to subscribe. You will get a message bounced back to you. This is to confirm that you were the intended subscriber. You **MUST** answer this message to allow the system to send you messages.

NOTE: You can remove your e-mail address at anytime.

For further information, please feel free to contact the 53 Division Crime Prevention Officer, Police Constable Rick Langstone #6281 at 416-808-5337 or at

www.richard.langstone@torontopolice.on.ca



IT'S NEW



TPS LINKS

Police and Community Automated Notification System



*Pilot project
32 & 53 Division*



53 and 32 Divisions will be the pilot divisions for the new “TPS LINKS” System. This system will now replace the old “AUTO DIALLER”. In the near future you will be notified of the procedure for signing up for the new system.

If you have any questions regarding the transition. Please contact the 53 Division Crime Prevention Officer at 416-808-5337 or via e-mail at richard.langstone@torontopolice.on.ca

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53 Division Community Police Liaison Committee

SAVY Award deadline approaching

The Scholar, Athlete, Volunteer, Youth (SAVY) Award created by the Community Police Liaison Committee (CPLC), in cooperation with the Social Committee of 53 Division, which was announced in last month's *Community Bulletin*, will support local youth making positive life decisions, and acknowledges the difficult balance for youth who strive for academic excellence, athletic participation and community volunteerism. Applications must be received by March 6th 2009.

The \$1,000.00 award will be given to a graduating student who is a resident of 53 Division and who displays a combination of: a minimum academic average of 80%, participation on an athletic team, and outstanding community commitment.

Educators/community leaders are welcome to nominate a student or individual students may apply on their own. A selection committee will be appointed by the 53 Division Social Committee and the CPLC whose decision as to the award winner will be final. For further information please contact Josie Aceto at 416 808-5369.

53 Division and the youth of Thorncliffe Park.

On Saturday March 7th officers from 53 Division will be displaying their net skills by taking on the Jenner Jaguars at Thorncliffe Public School. These games are intended to build relationships between youth and the police. They also give the officers and youth a thorough workout!! All are welcome to come and see how they make out! This game was rescheduled from February 21st.

Next Workshop on Crime Prevention set for April 18

The Community Mobilization Unit of Toronto Police Services holds workshops intended to provide people with problem-solving and crime-prevention skills they can take back to their neighbourhoods. The next workshop, which is open to all members of the community 18 years or older, will be held on Saturday, April 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Toronto Police Headquarters, 40 College Street, Toronto. It will cover a variety of topics including what the Toronto Police Service do, and how to properly utilize their services. Participants will learn about personal safety, home security and how to use 9-1-1. They will also hear from representatives from Forensic Identification Services, Domestic Violence, Crime Stoppers and other services. The workshop is free but prior registration is required – to register for the workshop please go online to www.torontopolice.on.ca and click on the Community Mobilization link, or call 416 808-7070.

Did you know that March is Fraud Prevention Month and you can find out more about how to prevent fraud whether in your personal or business life. Find out more by calling the Canadian Anti-Fraud Call Centre at 1-888-495-8501.

Our CPLC welcomes your input with any questions and concerns on community safety issues from all parts of the Division. Please call Debbie Sands-Soderstrom at 416 808-5319. The next CPLC meeting is on March 31, 2009

Thank you

Geoff Kettel
Community Co-Chair
53 Division CPLC

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S scholar
A athlete
V volunteer
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53 Division SAVY Award

The Community Police Liaison Committee (CPLC), in cooperation with the Social Committee of 53 Division of the Toronto Police Services, is pleased to announce the creation of the Scholar, Athlete, Volunteer, Youth (SAVY) Award. The SAVY Award will support local youth making positive life decisions, and acknowledges the difficult balance for youth who strive for academic excellence, athletic participation and community volunteerism.

The \$1,000.00 award will be given to a 53 Division graduating student who displays a combination of: a minimum academic average of 80%, participation on an athletic team, and outstanding community commitment.

Educators/community leaders are welcome to nominate a student or individual students may apply on their own. All applicants must meet the criteria outlined in the attachment. A selection committee will be appointed by the 53 Division Social Committee and the CPLC whose decision as to the award winner will be final.

Application forms must be received by March 6, 2009. All forms, documents, letters of reference are to be enclosed in an envelope and addressed to:

Toronto Police Services - 53 Division
75 Eglinton Avenue West
Toronto, ON M4R 2G9
Attention: Josie Aceto, SAVY Award Committee

The recipient will be contacted by May 1, 2009 and confirmed the final week of the academic calendar upon final confirmation of academic standing and awards. If possible the award will be incorporated into the Graduation or Commencement ceremony of the recipient's school

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53 Division Social Committee and CPLC Student Award Criteria

The following is a list of criteria for the 53 Division Social Committee and CPLC Student Award:

- 1. Reside within the boundaries of 53 Division** (South of Lawrence / North of Bloor / East of Bathurst / West of the Don River) **and be a graduating student at one of the area Secondary Schools**
Eligibility confirmed by address on school registration.
- 2. Student must at the time of their application be achieving an average mark at or above 80%.**
Eligibility confirmed by student submitting copy of report card with application
- 3. Student must be a participant of an Athletic Program.**
Eligibility confirmed by a letter from a school administrator/coach/mentor outlining the team, coach and role of the student on the team/program.
- 4. The student must demonstrate having made a meaningful contribution to improve the quality of life within the community.**
Eligibility confirmed by the student submitting a letter outlining his/her contributions and shall include contact information for references and letters of reference.
This is above the mandated 40 hours of volunteer time.
- 5. The student must outline their intentions for the use of the money.**
If a student plans to use the funds to pay for post secondary education, a letter of acceptance from a post secondary institution shall be sufficient.

A student not pursuing post secondary school is eligible for the Award however a detailed outline of what the money will be used for will be required. An example of this situation may be a student planning on conducting aid work in a developing nation. In this situation a student will be required to provide an outline of the activities and associated expenses that need to be covered. References will be required.

An overview of anticipated costs will be used by the selection committee and given consideration.

All other bursaries/scholarships and awards must be declared. The Committee shall review all bursaries/scholarships and awards with any proposed winner prior to announcement of the winner.

In addition, the selection committee will decline any applicant already receiving bursaries, scholarships or awards totaling twice the amount offered by the 53 Div/CPLC Award.

- 6. Student must complete the academic year with an average mark at or above 80%.**
This will be confirmed by copy of the student's final report card or letter from the school.

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53 Division SAVY Award Student Award Application Form

Personal Information:

Name: _____
Address*: _____
Home Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____
Date of Birth: _____ Email Address: _____

*please attach proof of address

Academic Information:

School Attending: _____
Overall Average*: _____

*please attach most recent report card

Athletic Information:

Team(s): _____

Position(s): _____

Coach/Mentor Contacts*: _____

*please attach letter(s) of reference confirming your athletic participation

Community Involvement*:

How do you contribute to your community? Please outline the roles/organizations with which you are affiliated. Attach any pertinent letters of reference/correspondence with contact information.

*Beyond the minimum 40 hour Provincial requirement.

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53 Division Student Award Application Form - continued

Future Plans:

Please outline your goals/ambitions after graduation and how you plan to achieve them. _____

Impact of the Award*:

Outline your plans of how the money from the award will be used.

*attach documentation for confirmation (ex: College/University letter of acceptance, international aid programs, references, contact information)

Have you applied for any additional scholarships, bursaries or awards? If so, please provide details* _____

*All other awards must be declared. Any applicant receiving more than a total of \$2000.00 in scholarships, bursaries and awards in this academic year will be ineligible for this award.



People and Organizations in North Toronto

Do You Need Legal Advice?

**POINT in partnership with
West Toronto Community Legal Services
is offering legal services in the
following areas of law:**

- **Housing and Tenant/Landlord**
- **Homeless Prevention**
- **Employment Insurance and Standards**
- **Ontario Works**
- **Ontario Disability Support Program**
- **Canada Pension Plan**
- **Assistance with government form-filling**
- **Statutory Declarations**

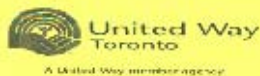
**When: Every second Friday: January 9 + 23,
February 6 + 20 and March 6 + 20, 2009**

Time: 9:30 am to 12 noon

**Where: POINT (People & Organizations in North Toronto)
200 Eglinton Ave. West, 1st Floor**

*Clients must meet Legal Aid Ontario financial eligibility criteria
No legal aid certificate is necessary*

Clients must make an appointment - Call POINT at 416-487-2427



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6 Deadline for SAVY Award applications	7
8 Change Your Clock	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20 Spring Begins	21
***** MARCH ***** BREAK *****						
22	23	24	25	26	27 OAS/ CPP Payment	28
29	30	31 CPLC Meeting Mounted Unit (CNE)				

UP COMING EVENTS FOR APRIL

9 th April	Passover Begins
10 th April	Good Friday
12 th April	Easter Sunday
13 th April	Easter Monday
15 th April	Passover Ends

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INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD?

The School Crossing Guard Co-ordinator for 53 Division is
Police Constable Wai Lau #3765.

Please contact

416 808-5327 *Office*

or e-mail:

Wai.Lau@torontopolice.on.ca

