



## Erie County Sheriffs Office Media Release Summary

**Dates: 3/8/2014 to 3/14/2014**

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The Erie County Sheriff's Office responded to 157 calls the week of this report. Below is a sampling of the noteworthy incidents on Grand Island.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Street</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Narrative</b>
3/8	Love Rd.	Larceny	The complainant states that sometime during the night, an unknown person(s) smashed her car window and stole a purse from inside. Erie County Sheriff's Detectives processed the scene for evidence. Investigation Ongoing.
3/8	International Dr.	Youth Activity	The complainant states that kids in the neighborhood were repeatedly putting a basketball net in the street.
3/8	West River Rd.	Pistol Permit Investigation	Deputies conducted a background investigation of a subject who applied for a pistol permit.
3/8	Havenwood La.	ATV Operation	The complainant states that ATV's were operating on Town Property. Deputies checked the area but were unable to locate the ATV's.
3/9	Baseline Rd.	Accident PDO	Deputies responded to a report of a 2 car motor vehicle accident. No injuries were reported.
3/9	Grand Island Blvd.	Larceny	An employee of Tim Hortons stated that an unknown male subject paid for his items with a \$50 bill and when the employee gave him his change, the male subject took the \$50 and left the store.
3/9	Bedell Rd.	Burglary Alarm/Open Door	Deputies responded to a report of a burglary alarm ringing. Upon arrival, Deputies located an open door to the business. The premise was searched but no persons were found inside. The open door was determined to be an oversight by employees.
3/9	East River Rd.	Accident Hit & Run	The complainant states that an unknown vehicle struck a speed limit sign and then left the area in an unknown direction.
3/9	Stony Point Rd.	Reckless Operation	The complainant states that a dark colored vehicle was tailgating and speeding down the roadway. The complainant was able to get the license plate of the suspect vehicle. Deputies located the vehicle parked at the registered owner's address, where they spoke to the driver and advised him.
3/9	Blackmon Rd.	Criminal Mischief	The complainant states that an unknown person shot his parked vehicle with a paintball gun. Deputies located several youths in the area who admitted to striking the

			vehicle on accident. The youths were advised at the request of the complainant who did not wish to pursue charges.
3/9	Pin Oak Cr.	Residential Fire	Deputies assisted the Grand Island Fire Department with a report of an appliance fire. No damage was reported.
3/9	Grand Island Blvd.	Road Rage	The complainant states that a vehicle cut him off and when the complainant parked his car in a parking lot nearby, the driver of the other vehicle followed him. The driver then got out of his vehicle and kicked the complainant's car before fleeing the scene in an unknown direction. Deputies were unable to locate the suspect vehicle by the description given.
3/10	Baseline Rd.	Motorist Broke Down	Deputies assisted a motorist whose vehicle had become disabled.
3/10	Whitehaven Rd.	Warrant Arrest	Deputies arrested 31 y/o Henry Nowak of Amherst on an outstanding Bench Warrant from the Village of Kenmore. Nowak was transferred to the custody of the Kenmore Police Department.
3/11	Long Rd.	Deer Struck	Deputies responded to a report of a 1 car motor vehicle accident involving a deer. No injuries were reported.
3/12	Whitehaven Rd.	Reckless Operation	The complainant states that a vehicle was swerving all over the roadway. The complainant was able to follow the vehicle which pulled into the Country Glen Apartments. Deputies found the vehicle illegally parked in the parking lot and blocking several vehicles in but no driver was in sight. The vehicle was towed from the scene and issued several citations.
3/12	West River Rd.	Reckless Operation	The complainant states that several trucks were revving their engines and causing a lot of noise. Deputies checked the area but were unable to locate the vehicles by the description given.
3/12	East River Rd.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant states that a black and orange floatation type device was floating near the shoreline at the South Grand Island Bridge. Deputies were able to see the object which seemed to be some floating debris. The Coast Guard was notified.
3/12	Whitehaven Rd.	Criminal Mischief	A Town employee states that sometime in recent days, an unknown person(s) smashed a window on a Town owned vehicle that was parked at the Nike Base.
3/12	Bedell Rd.	Criminal Mischief	A Town employee states that sometime in recent days, an unknown vehicle drove over the grass at Veterans Park and caused damage.
3/12	Stony Point Rd.	Accident PDO	Deputies responded to a report of a 1 car motor vehicle accident. No injuries were reported.
3/12	East River Rd.	Accident PDO	Deputies responded to a report of a 1 car motor vehicle accident. No injuries were reported.
3/12	South State Pkwy.	Accident PDO	Deputies responded to a report of a 1 car motor vehicle accident. No injuries were reported.
3/12	Lang Blvd.	Welfare Check	Deputies responded to a 911 hang up call at a local manufacturing business. Deputies checked the business which appeared secure and in order. No persons were observed inside.
3/12	Alvin Rd.	Accident PDO	Deputies responded to a report of a 2 car motor vehicle

			accident. No injuries were reported.
3/13	Tracey La.	Pistol Permit Investigation	Deputies conducted a background investigation of a subject who applied for a pistol permit.
3/13	Grand Island Blvd.	Accident Hit & Run	Employees from Tops stated that a vehicle struck a pedestrian in the parking lot and then fled the scene. Deputies located the vehicle nearby after a witness was able to get a license plate number. Their investigation led to the arrest of 25 y/o Amber Smeal of Grand Island for Reckless Endangerment 2 <sup>nd</sup> Degree (Class A misdemeanor), Leaving the Scene of an Injury Accident (Class B Misdemeanor) and other traffic infractions. Smeal was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the Town of Grand Island Court.
3/13	Whitehaven Rd.	Pistol Permit Investigation	Deputies conducted a background investigation of a subject who applied for a pistol permit.
3/13	Bedell Rd.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant states that strong smell of marijuana was emanating from a nearby apartment in her complex. Deputies spoke to the occupant of the apartment in question, who gave Patrol permission to search inside his apartment. No illegal substances were found and the subject was advised.
3/14	Waterford Pk.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant states that there were footprints in the snow going from house to house through the front yards. Deputies observed 1 set of footprints described by the complainant which were seemingly going to each of the houses gas meters to conduct routine readings.
3/14	Lang Blvd.	Welfare Check	Deputies responded to a 911 hang up call at a local manufacturing business. Deputies checked the business which appeared secure and in order. No persons were observed inside.
3/14	Island Park Cr.	Snowmobile Operation	The complainant states that a snowmobile drove across his property without permission. Deputies located the snowmobile and advised the operator.
3/14	West River Rd.	Accident PDO	Deputies responded to a report of a 1 car motor vehicle accident. No injuries were reported.

**Deputies responded to 4 Burglary False alarm calls and 7 Fire Alarms during the dates of this report.**