



Erie County Sheriffs Office Media Release Summary

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The Erie County Sheriff's Office responded to 165 calls the week of this report. Below is a sampling of the noteworthy incidents on **Grand Island**.

Date	Street	Type	Narrative
3/21	Greenside Dr.	Open Door	Deputies located a new build home with an unsecure door during the early morning hours. The premise was checked and no persons or damage was observed.
3/21	Whitehaven Rd.	Motorist Broke Down	Deputies assisted a motorist whose vehicle had become disabled.
3/21	Grand Island Blvd.	Disturbance	The complainant states that 2 males and a female subject were arguing loudly outside of Certified Auto Brokers. Deputies located the subjects who were having a disagreement. The subjects were advised and left without incident.
3/21	Tracey La.	Property Found	The complainant states that a bicycle was observed on the footpath between Tracey Lane and Grand Island High School and had been there for some time. Deputies brought the bicycle to the Grand Island Substation to await an owner to come forward.
3/21	Center Ct. South	Loud Music	The complainant states that loud music was blasting from a neighboring apartment and shaking the whole building. Deputies spoke with the occupant who agreed to turn down the music.
3/21	Bedell Rd.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant states that the hallway in his apartment smelled of marijuana. Deputies checked the premise but were unable to locate any subjects using the substance.
3/22	Staley Rd.	Deer Struck	Deputies responded to a report of a 1 car motor vehicle accident involving a deer. No injuries were reported.
3/22	Bedell Rd.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant states that a smell of marijuana was emanating from a nearby apartment in her complex. Deputies checked and determined the complaint was unfounded.
3/22	Sandy Beach Rd.	Suspicious Person	The complainant states that a neighbor has been looking into the windows of a vacant house nearby. Deputies spoke with the subject and advised him to stay off the property per the owner.
3/22	Grand Island Blvd.	Larceny	The owner of Rocky's Mountain Pizza stated that an employee admitted stealing money from him and then left the store. Deputies investigation led to the arrest of

			28 y/o Michael Irons of Grand Island for Petit Larceny (Class A Misdemeanor). Irons was already in custody at the Erie County Holding Center on an unrelated matter at the conclusion of the investigation.
3/23	East River Rd.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant states that he heard a loud noise near his dock during the late hours of the night. When he went to investigate he noticed the noise was caused by a boat wake but did not observe any boats on the water. Deputies checked the area but were unable to locate any boats in the water.
3/23	Bedell Rd.	Loud Music	The complainant states that loud music and laughter was coming from a nearby apartment during the late hours of the night. Deputies spoke with and advised the occupants from the apartment in question.
3/23	Stony Point Rd.	Animal Loose	The complainant states that his dog ran off from his vehicle while he was at a local business. The Dog Control Officer was notified and the animal was reunited with the owner.
3/23	Long Rd.	Road Obstruction	Deputies removed a large construction tarp from the roadway that was causing a traffic hazard.
3/23	Carter Creek Dr.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant states that a neighbor came onto his property and tried to enter the residence. Deputies spoke with the subject who states he wanted to speak with the complainant about his dog. The subject was advised and left without incident at the satisfaction of the complainant who did not wish to pursue charges.
3/23	Love Rd.	Assault	An employee of 711 states 3 male subjects “jumped” another male in the parking lot of the business. The victim was treated for seemingly minor injuries and refused to pursue any charges against the subjects.
3/23	Whitehaven Rd.	Motorist Broke Down	Deputies assisted a motorist whose vehicle had run out of gas near the intersection of Stony Point Rd.
3/24	West Oakfield Rd.	Welfare Check	Deputies responded to a report of a 911 hang up call but were unable to make contact with the owners of the residence.
3/24	Love Rd.	Traffic Arrest	Following a traffic stop, Deputies arrested 62 y/o Lawrence Johnston of Grand Island for Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 2 nd Degree (Misdemeanor) and other traffic infractions after a DMV check showed his license was currently suspended. Johnston was transported to the Erie County Holding Center in lieu of \$500 bail.
3/24	West River Rd.	Vehicle Off the Roadway	Deputies responded to a vehicle in the ditch on West River Rd. The vehicle was winched out.
3/24	Laurie La.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant stated to Erie County Sheriff’s Office dispatchers that she had messages on her phone from a subject claiming to be from the IRS. Deputies attempted numerous times to contact the complainant to speak with her about the incident but were unable to reach her.
3/24	Whitehaven Rd.	Fraud	The complainant states that an unknown subject opened a National Grid account in her name without her permission. Deputies’ investigation revealed the complainant’s daughter had opened the account. The

			complainant was advised and did not wish to pursue charges.
3/24	Townhall Terr.	Unknown Trouble	An anonymous complainant stated that there was a male and female fighting in the parking lot of his complex about 20 minutes ago. The complainant would not provide any more information before hanging up. Deputies checked the premise extensively but found no evidence of a disturbance or any persons in need of police assistance.
3/24	Bedell Rd.	Loud Music	The complainant states that loud music was coming from a neighboring apartment during the late hours of the night. Deputies checked and determined the complaint was unfounded.
3/25	Grand Island Blvd.	Suspicious Vehicle	While Deputies were conducting a premise check at U-Wash they located a suspicious vehicle with fresh damage and a flat tire parked in the lot during the late hours of the night. No subjects were observed in the area and Deputies were unable to make contact with the owner.
3/25	Havenwood La.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant states that within the last hour, an unknown person(s) shot out the windows of his bulldozer which he was using to work on a nearby lot. Deputies and Detectives investigation led them to a nearby residence in which evidence that a pellet gun had been used recently was observed on the ground. Deputies spoke with the occupant who admitted to damaging the windows on the bulldozer and agreed to pay for the damages to the satisfaction of the complainant.
3/25	Whitehaven Rd.	Welfare Check	Deputies responded to a report of a 911 hang up call at Byblos Niagara Resort and Spa. Deputies spoke with employees on location and determined the calls were stemming from a problem with the phone lines.
3/25	Stony Point Rd.	Traffic Arrest	Following a traffic stop, Deputies arrested 25 y/o Joel Ficorilli of Grand Island for Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 3 rd Degree (Misdemeanor) and other traffic infractions after a DMV check showed his license was currently suspended. Ficorilli was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the Town of Grand Island Court.
3/25	Grand Island Blvd.	Suspicious Person	The complainant states that a female subject came to her door during the late hours of the night and appeared to be lost. Deputies spoke with the subject who stated she thought a friend lived at the residence. The subject was advised and left without incident.
3/26	Stony Point Rd.	Traffic Arrest	Following a traffic stop, Deputies arrested 35 y/o Janelle Kaifas of Grand Island for Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 2 nd Degree (Misdemeanor) and other traffic infractions after a DMV check showed her license was currently suspended. Kaifas was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the Town of Grand Island Court.
3/26	Schutt Ct.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant states that there is a truck parked in the driveway of a nearby vacant home and the occupants were yelling at each other. Deputies spoke with and

			advised the subjects who were working on the property.
3/26	West River Pkwy.	Motorist Broke Down	Deputies assisted a motorist whose vehicle had become stuck and broke down on West River Pkwy.
3/26	Whitehaven Rd.	Traffic Arrest	Following a traffic stop, Deputies arrested 31 y/o Abby Seitz of Grand Island for Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 3 rd Degree (Misdemeanor) and other traffic infractions after a DMV check showed her license was currently suspended. Seitz was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the Town of Grand Island Court.
3/26	Bedell Rd.	Vehicle Off the Roadway	Deputies responded to a report of 2 cars that became stuck in the snow in Veterans Park. 1 Vehicle was able to be freed by tow truck but the other was too far off the roadway.
3/27	Settlers Row	Suspicious Vehicle	The complainant states that 3 vehicles were parked near the tennis courts during the late hours of the night. The vehicles left prior to the arrival of Patrol. Deputies checked the area but were unable to locate the vehicles by the description given.
3/27	Ransom Rd.	Suspicious Incident	The complainant states that a teen subject was sitting in his vehicle in the parking lot of the Grand Island High School smoking marijuana. Deputies located the subject and detected the odor of marijuana but found none during a subsequent search.
3/27	Industrial Dr.	Welfare Check	Deputies responded to a report of a 911 hang up call from Pool Deal. Deputies spoke with employees on scene and determined the call was a misdial.
3/27	Stony Point Rd.	Warrant Arrest	Deputies arrested 22 y/o Thomas Gilewicz of Grand Island after serving an arrest warrant from the Town of Cheektowaga at his residence. Gilewicz was turned over to the custody of the Cheektowaga Police Department.

Deputies responded to 3 Burglary False alarm calls and 5 Fire Alarms during the dates of this report.