

Daily Report 04/30/14

In the last 24 hours Annapolis Police officers responded to 96 calls for service and arrested 8 people.

Flooding

This morning Compromise St and Dock St are closed due to flooding. The water is expected to recede once the tide has lowered, but the heavy rain may cause the roads to be closed longer than expected. Please check for updates throughout the day on our Facebook and Twitter accounts. Do not use the Eastport Bridge to enter downtown. Motorists driving into downtown can use West St, Rowe Blvd, and King George St. Expect heavier traffic and delays in the area due to the closure of Compromise St.

Theft from Vehicle – 201400002112 – 600 block of Genessee St – 04/27 at 9pm to 04/28 at 12pm: A Coach wallet was stolen from an unlocked vehicle.

Burglary – 201400002132 – 900 block of Jackson St – 04/27 at 1:30pm to 04/29 at 2pm: The rear door to the home was forced open and a black 45” Samsung flat screen TV was stolen.

Bicycle Theft Prevention

With the weather getting warmer, bicycle theft is on the rise. We had six reported bicycle thefts in April, so far. To avoid becoming a victim of bike theft, every cyclist should have a sturdy bicycle lock as standard equipment, and choose lit, well-frequented places to leave your bike. Protect it every time and everywhere. Not only lock your bicycle, but lock it to something at least as secure as the lock itself.

April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month

The Annapolis Police Department Traffic Unit will be conducting special enforcement details throughout the month looking for drivers violating the Maryland handheld device laws. Remember that when a vehicle is in motion the driver may not use their hands to use a handheld telephone, other than to initiate or terminate a wireless phone call or to turn the handset on or off. Using a hands-free device, while driving, is not a violation of the law, but both ears may not be covered by ear plugs, headset, or earphones. Drivers under the age of 18 are not allowed to use handheld cell phones regardless of whether a hands-free device is used. While there are other ways drivers can be distracted while driving, cell phone use combines visual, cognitive, and manual distractions. The Maryland Highway Safety Office reported that for the five years ending in 2011 an average of 47% of traffic fatalities and 65% of traffic injuries in Maryland were from accidents caused by distracted driving.

If Your Tip to the Hotline Leads to an Arrest and Indictment of the Individuals that Committed the Above Crimes, You may be Eligible for a Cash Reward of Up to \$2,000!!!

If you have information on the above crime contact:

Metro Crime Stoppers Hotline Toll Free 1-866-7LOCKUP.

You can also provide information confidentially online through

<http://www.metrocrimestoppers.net/> or

by texting “MCS plus your message” to CRIMES (274637)

Calls are NOT Recorded AND Callers Remain Anonymous