



CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MAJOR ACTIVITY

OFFENSES – APRIL 2011	NUMBER
Burglary of a Residence	2
Burglary of a Business or Building	0
Burglary of a Motor Vehicle	3
Theft / Other	6
Theft of a Motor Vehicle	1
Juvenile Offenses	1
Assault	1
Robbery	0
TOTAL	14
Total Calls for Service	1963

The above referenced two residential burglaries both occurred on April 1st. The details of these incidents were discussed in a previous bulletin published on April 2nd and can be accessed from the city’s website at http://www.springvalleytx.com/health/police/crime_reports/documents/CrimeActivityAlertApril2011.pdf.

I am pleased to report that we have experienced no additional residential burglaries since that date. The investigation into the suspects believed responsible for this series of home burglaries continues. Investigators from Spring Valley Village PD, Houston PD, and the Harris County Sheriff’s Office made an additional arrest on Friday, April 22nd, at a residence in north Harris County. This arrest resulted in charges of Felony Theft being filed on a female suspect. In addition, at least two of the suspect’s vehicles were seized and numerous articles of suspected stolen property were recovered.

On Thursday, April 28th, a bond hearing was held in the 178th District Court to review the status of one of the suspects in these burglaries who had been allowed to post bonds on previous charges of Burglary of a Habitation, Felon in Possession of a Firearm, and Felony Theft. After several hours of testimony, the judge raised the bonds to \$200,000 on each of the three charges, and the suspect was taken into custody. He is currently being held in the Harris County Jail on these charges.

Although these latest developments are certainly “good news for the good guys”, we would ask that you remain vigilant and continue to report any suspicious or unusual activity immediately.

You may have already learned from Mayor Andrews’ recent letter to citizens that the Spring Valley Village Police Department will begin utilizing a new communications service, Nixle Wire, that will allow important and valuable community information to be sent directly to residents using the latest technology.

Nixle Wire will allow us to create and publish messages to be delivered to subscribed residents instantly via cell phone text message and/or email. Notifications can also be accessed online at Nixle’s Web site at www.nixle.com.

Nixle Wire is intended to supplement, not replace, our other existing forms of communication (DeltAlert emergency notifications and Constant Contact e-mails from the city). The primary purpose of this service is to keep residents informed on current police activity status.

To receive up-to-date information affecting your neighborhood, go to www.nixle.com, click “Sign Up Now”, create an account by choosing a User Name and Password, enter an e-mail address and/or cell phone number where you would like to receive messages, enter your address (or a nearby intersection), and click “Sign Me Up”. You will need to uncheck the default Nixle groups that are automatically recommended and confirm that the Spring Valley Village Police Department group is checked. If you want to receive notifications via text message, follow the instructions you receive in the invitation text message.

A Nixle link has been posted on the city’s website at www.springvalleytx.com that will take you to the Nixle registration page.

I hope that each of you will subscribe to this new communications tool. Nixle Wire will assist us in exchanging information between you and your police department in a timely fashion.

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Chief of Police