

This week in police news...

Shelburne Police Service responded to 79 calls for service between October 27th and November 3rd 2013.

Toronto Man Faces Eight Charges For Thefts in Shelburne:

Since 2009 several Shelburne businesses have fallen victim to a 'Quick Change Artist' cash theft scheme. Shelburne Police and numerous other services throughout southern Ontario have been trying to identify a male who travels towns and cities using an act causing confusion when using large bills when paying for small purchases. As a result the accused walked out of the store with the large bill as well as the change for the large bill.

In September Shelburne Police was able to identify this male and put out a warrant for his arrest. This identification by Shelburne Police resulted in two other police services putting out warrants of arrest as well.

On Monday October 28th Toronto Police arrested 36 year old Kibrom Yemesegen of Toronto and returned him to Shelburne Police by executing the warrant. Yemesegen was charged with a total of eight theft and possession of property related criminal charges and provided a court date in Orangeville in early December. Yemesegen was further held on the warrants held by Brockville Police and Smith Falls Police.

Dealing with 'Quick Change Artists' is one of the topics to be presented at the Crime Prevention Week presentation for local businesses. This presentation hosted by the Shelburne Police takes place at 7 p.m. on Wednesday November 6th at Grace Tipling Hall.

Man Charged in Early October with Criminal Dangerous Driving Caught Breaching Conditions:

On October 2nd 45 year old Carey MICKS of Dundalk was arrested and charged with dangerous operation of a motor vehicle under the Criminal Code after the vehicle he was driving ran over some gardens on a private residence on Wellington Street. The vehicle came to rest in some cedar hedges. One of the conditions MICKS was placed on was not to be found in the driver's seat of a motor vehicle.

On Friday November 1st MICKS was spotted by Shelburne officers driving a pick-up truck on Pine Grove Avenue. As a result he was arrested and charged with breach of undertaking and provided a court date in early December.

Youth Charged With Drug Possession at Shelburne Arena:

During the evening hours of Friday November 1st Shelburne officers launched an investigation in the parking lot of Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex. The investigation revolved around alcohol and drug possession by a group of youth. As a result of the investigation a quantity of marijuana was seized along with open alcohol. As a result charges were laid in relation to drug possession under the Controlled Drugs and Substance Act and the Liquor Licence Act. Under the provisions of the Youth Criminal Justice Act the youths involved cannot be identified.

It Is Crime Prevention Week in Ontario:

The Ministry of Safety and Correctional Services designated this as Ontario Crime Prevention Week.

This year the Shelburne Police Service is putting the focus on preventing crimes at our local businesses. As part of this initiative Shelburne Police is hosting a Business Crime Prevention presentation on Wednesday November 6th at 7 p.m. The presentation taking place at Grace Tipling Hall (Town Hall) will focus on two main areas: Fraud prevention and Crime Prevention through Environmental Design.

Remember to always call police immediately?. even for minor incidents or simply suspicious situations?.

In partnership with our community the police can better prevent or solve crimes. This means immediate notification of even the most minor or simply suspicious events. The sooner police are notified the better chance potential crimes can be averted, potential criminals can be identified and completed crimes can be solved.

Too often people wait for the next morning, or even wait for a chance meeting of an officer to report a suspicious person, car or a minor event. The police work 24 hours a day, seven days a week ? and it is never a bother to call them. You never know what information may be the key to solving or preventing a crime so please don't hesitate to call! Call 9-1-1 for emergencies or when a crime is in progress. Call 519-925-3312 immediately with any information.

Or leave an anonymous tip through crimestoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS(8477). Your tips could result in a cash reward!