



Bay Village Press Release

02/19/2018

On 02/14/2018, at 2205 hrs, a Maple Heights resident called BVPD to report he had purchased a vehicle from a resident in the 23000 block of Lake Rd. After the purchase, the buyer realized that the title he was given did not match the vehicle. Police are investigating.

On 02/14/2018, at 1759 hrs, a BVPD officer stopped a vehicle on Cahoon at the railroad tracks for an equipment violation. After speaking with the 42 yoa female driver, the officer suspected the driver was under the influence of drugs. Field sobriety tests were administered, and as a result, the driver was arrested for OVI. The Lakewood resident will face charges at RRMC.

On 02/16/18, at 1104 hrs, a Bruce Road resident arrived at the Bay Village Police Department to report that he was the victim of identity fraud. The male had received a letter in the mail explaining that he owed almost \$3000 dollars to a loan agency. The male fears that this incident stems from a nationwide data breach in which millions of people had personal information potentially exposed. The Bay Village Police Detective Bureau is investigating.

ON 02/16/18, at 1933 hrs, a Columbia Road resident called Bay Village Police to report he was being targeted in a scam. The homeowner had placed an advertisement on Craigslist selling a \$75 vacuum. The homeowner was contacted by an interested couple, who then sent him a certified check for \$1,250. The homeowner realized this was a scam and destroyed the check.

Residents are encouraged to call police when they receive these kind of scams, even if they are not out any money. Contacting police allows us to keep track of growing trends used by these criminals.