



Bay Village Press Release

08/09/2021

On 08/06/2021, at 2150 hrs, a resident in the 24000 block of Lake Rd. reported that she was the victim of a scam. The resident reported that she received an email from Amazon indicating she had ordered some merchandise, which she had not. She called the number provided to dispute the purchase and was instructed to purchase several thousand dollars of various gift cards in order to correct the misunderstanding. She complied, and sent pictures of the cards and activation numbers to a number that was provided before she realized she was being scammed. Police are investigating. BVPD reminds residents that no legitimate business/organization will request payment in the form of gift cards.

On 08/06/2021, at 1638 hrs, a resident on Turnbridge reported she had been the victim of a scam. The caller sold a clothing item on line, and the buyer requested to send a check. The seller received a check in the mail several days later for \$1,580 for the \$65 item. The enclosed instructions told the seller to deposit the check, take out the \$65.00 for the dress, and purchase gift cards with the remaining money. The seller was then to send pictures of the gift cards and activation numbers to a provided number, which she did. After doing this, the check that was sent did not clear, and the gift cards had all been used. The seller is out \$1,580. Police are investigating.

During the overnight hours of 08/06/2021, numerous vehicles were entered in the area of Columbia and Lake Forest. Police are investigating. BVPD reminds residents to remove valuables from your cars and lock them.

On 08/04/2021, at 0018 hrs, a BVPD officer stopped a vehicle on Dover Center at Normandy for a traffic violation. After speaking with the male driver, the officer suspected the driver had been drinking. Field sobriety tests were administered, and as a result, the 31-ya Cleveland resident was arrested for OVI. He will face charges at RRMC.