

August 2011

Type of Incident	Date/Time Reported	Location of Incident	Reporting Officer
Trespassing	8/1/2011 6:42am	Athletics & Fitness Center – Gym	T. Suggs
<p>At approximately 6:42am on August 1, 2011, an Environmental Services Technician, called Security from the Athletic and Fitness Center to report a disturbance (he stated that he observed an individual “banging on the glass doors” in the AF Center lobby). Security instructed the Mobile Officer, to proceed to the AF Center to assess the situation. The Security Sergeant arrived on scene at approximately 6:48am. The Lieutenant arrived on scene at 6:55am. The Security Officer determined upon her arrival, that HCPD needed to be contacted regarding a disorderly trespasser at the AF Center. At approximately 6:48am, the Security Dispatcher/Console Operator called HCPD and advised them of the situation.</p> <p>The Security Officer spoke with the trespasser and he stated that he had been left on the side of the road on Route 32 by his girlfriend and he walked to the HCC campus looking to use a phone.</p> <p>The subject stated to Security that his girlfriend had his cell phone in her possession. The subject stated that he had struck the door to the Athletic and Fitness Center out of frustration when he was unable to gain access to the AF Center to use a phone.</p> <p>HCPD dispatched units to the AF Center to assess the situation. HCPD Police responded to this incident. The HCPD Officers escorted the subject away from the premises at approximately 7:00am.</p> <p>HCPD identified the subject as a white male with blue eyes, blonde hair and approximately 160 pounds, wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans. The subject gave the Security officer his cell phone number: The subject is not a student.</p> <p>HCPD has assigned a case number to this incident. The Crisis Communication Manager was notified of this incident at approximately 7:09am. Video footage of this incident has been obtained and copied to a CD, which is attached to the original copy of this report.</p>			
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For the Record	8/8/2011 11:48pm	Clark Library Bldg.	L. Houston
<p>On Monday, August 08, 2011 at approximately 11:48pm, an Environmental Services staff member radioed for assistance with an item she found. Upon arrival, she handed the Security officer a small zip lock bag. The contents of the small zip lock bag appeared to be cannabis (marijuana). Security asked her to identify the exact location where the item was found. Security immediately contacted dispatch and notified him on the area in which it was found. Security confiscated the item and brought it to RCF where the Security Lieutenant placed it into a small envelope. The item was not found on camera due to it being so small. Investigation is still ongoing.</p> <p>On Tuesday, August 09, 2011 at approximately 4:19pm, the Security Director and Human Resources Director disposed of the cannabis by flushing it down the toilet.</p>			
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Trespassing	8/11/2011 1:24am	ST Veranda	O. Nsi

On Thursday, August 11, 2011 at approximately 1:24am, the Security Sargeant noticed an individual walking toward the ST Veranda and notified other officers to the area. Upon arrival, Security observed the individual walking near the Drier Stage toward the TA trailers taking off his shirt; the individual heard dispatch through the Security radio from a distance and turned around to see the officer walking toward him in which he proceeded to walk North on Campus Drive toward the West Garage . When Security got to the West Garage, the officer met with another officer who was the mobile officer. Security proceeded to follow the individual until he left campus via lot F. Stationed at lot F, Security observed the individual walk across Little Patuxent Pkwy. When the individual noticed Security were still observing him, he proceeded to walk back toward us with his hands inside of his pants. When the individual reached Security,he said "why y'all following me, you ain't no real cops." The individual proceeded to walk away still talking while giving Security the middle finger until he left off of campus. The individual is currently not enrolled at HCC but as of Wednesday, August 17, 2011 at 8:00am, the student stated that he plans on re-enrolling for the Fall semester at HCC. No further information provided.

Disposition	On Aug. 17, 2011 at approximately 7:45 am, Security was advised by another officer of a incident involving a possible trespasser inside of the Cafe on the Quad area, who other officers had engaged last week; Security approached the individual at the computers inside the cafe to conduct a field interview. The subject stated he was waiting for registration to open so he can register for the fall semester. The student advised Security he was unaware of his student ID number and he was only on-site to register for class. It was later founded the subject was a student as he is registered in the student ID badging system.
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For the Record	8/16/2011 7:05pm	RCF Bldg.	C. Richardson

On 8/16/2011, at approximately 7:05 pm, Security was dispatched to the Counseling and Careers Services (CCS) department on the 3rd floor of the RCF Building for an unruly student. Upon arrival, Security observed a staff member Evening Counselor standing in the entrance lobby of the Career Services department. He stated that he had a black male student sitting in the computer library that needed to be removed due to failure to adhere to CCS library policy. The staff member stated that on the previous week (8/10/2011), between 7:50-7:58pm, the student was asked to shut his computer down at the established 15 minutes prior to closing time, but the student refused to do so stating that he pays his money and that he had one minute more left. On this occasion, when the student arrived at the CCS library, the staff member went to speak to the student to clarify CCS policy, but the student ignored him and began using his cell which was also prohibited in the library. When the student refused to hang up his cell phone, the staff member contacted security (the staff member's written statement is attached to this report).

When Security approached the student, the officer observed that there were several signs posted indicating that cell phones were prohibited, and that students were to begin shutting down their computers 15 minutes before closing time. Security asked the student for his student ID, but he refused stating that he had only recently arrived and was just using his cell phone to contact a ride for himself. He stated that nobody said anything to him about the non-use of cell phones in this area. Security advised the student that he could give his side of the story, but for now, Security would need to step outside as others were in the computer room trying to work. The student continued to refuse stating that he felt that he was being harassed by the staff member, and instead wanted to speak with his superiors. Security advised the student that whatever his issues were with the staff member could be addressed outside of the computer library but that at this time, HCC policy requires that he display his ID when requested by an HCC official, and that if he refused, he would be asked to leave the campus. The student instead got on his cell phone and called Howard County police.

At approximately 7:35pm, Howard County police officers arrived on site and interviewed the student. The officer's then obtained the student's driver's license and student ID and provided them to Security. The student was then escorted out of the building and Howard County police left the premises at approximately 7:45 pm. The Crisis Communication Manager was notified by Security concerning this incident.

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For the Record	8/18/2011 2:50pm	Campus Drive	A. Brereton

On August 18, 2011 at approximately 2:50pm, Security observed from lot F, Mr. a non-student standing at the Campus Drive main traffic circle. He then walked half way down the sidewalk (nearest the metal railing) towards the Little Patuxent Parkway traffic light and stopped and placed his hands on the railing. The individual appeared to be unstable on his legs while trying a few times to let go of the railing. After observing this, Security approached the individual and asked him if he was okay and if he needed any medical attention. The individual explained he did not want medical attention. The individual then said he didn't know the heat would get to him that fast. Security then asked him if he would like to sit in the building until he cooled off and Security could get him a bottle of water. The individual agreed and wanted an escort to the Rouse Company Foundation building. Security called the Sergeant to meet the officer at the RCF circle in case the individual needed help getting out of the vehicle.

While driving to the RCF circle, Security passed another Security officer and asked him to meet at the circle as well. At approximately 2:55pm, Security arrived at the circle. The Security officer offered the individual a cold bottle of water, Security asked the individual if he wanted to go inside the building and/or have the paramedics called so they could check him out, which he declined again. The Security officer informed the Lieutenant of the situation and grabbed a wheelchair for the individual in case he needed one.

At approximately 3:00pm, the Security Lieutenant asked the individual the same questions, which the individual declined for a third time. The Lieutenant then informed the individual of the campus policy and the individual asked if he could be taken in the direction of the medical buildings. Security escorted him over to the Hickory Ridge building Howard County bus stop. At approximately 3:05pm, the individual left the campus premises. There is no further information to provide at this time.

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For the Record	8/22/2011 2:40pm	Hickory Ridge – First Floor	A. Brereton

A Con Ed staff member first requested to speak with Director of Security concerning the following matter. At approximately 2:41pm, Security received a phone call from the Director of Security and gathered all available information from the Con Ed staff member. The officer immediately dispatched the description of the individual (a 17 year old minor) to the Alfa shift officers. It was reported that the individual left his class room HR120 (Preparation for SAT, XK132-6149 # 3664) at approximately 12:30pm for lunch. Upon leaving his class for lunch, his teacher explained to him that it was a lunch break and he needed to return to class by 1:30pm. The individual mistook this information and called his grandmother to come pick him up, explaining to her that his class let out early. At approximately 2:52pm, Security called the Con Ed staff member to obtain more information on the individual, The Con Ed staff member then explained the individual was now located at home with his grandmother. Security immediately dispatched to all officers to relinquish their search for the individual and informed them he was located. No further information to provide at this time.

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Theft	8/22/2011 9:50pm	Student Activities Bldg. 2 nd Floor	L. Houston

On Monday, August 22, 2011 at approximately 9:50pm, Security was dispatched to the Student Life office in regards to a stolen wallet. Upon arrival, Security met with a student volunteer who reported that her red tri-fold wallet had been stolen. The student stated that at approximately 4:30pm, she placed her purse inside SA 201-C on the couch among many other volunteer's possessions. At that time, she stated that her wallet was inside the purse. When she returned at approximately 9:50pm, she retrieved her purse and found that it was half-way unzipped and the red wallet was not inside. Another student volunteer stated that he turned off the lights and pulled the door closed to SA 201-C at approximately 5:30pm. According to the male student's knowledge, there was no abnormal activity in the area at the time he closed the door. The contents of the red wallet included the student's driver's license, 2 Bank of America debit cards, department store cards, 50 dollars cash, and two student IDs including her HCC ID.

Supplement to the above incident report:

On Tuesday August 23, 2011 at approximately 4:30pm, Secirotu reported to the Student Life Office and interviewed the staff for further information concerning this incident. According to the Director of Student Life, all student volunteers were instructed to place their belongings in room 201-C, and that the door would be closed and secured. This instruction came from the Assistant Director. Security interviewed the Assistant Director who informed the officer that this was their typical policy to keep the common area clear. According to the Assistant Director, the doors are fixed in the "locked" position and should have secured the door when closed. Therefore, no one was left with the specific responsibility of securing the door. The Assistant Director stated that in the pervious years, they have never had an issue like this. Security asked her if any other volunteers had reported stolen/missing property, and she advised that no one had reported anything stolen except for this student volunteer. Security asked if the student volunteer had volunteered with Student Life in the past, and/or if she was aware of anyone who might have reason to target her belongings over the others. The Assistant Director referred Security to the Co-curricular Coordinator for that information. The Co-curricular coordinator stated that this was the first time the student had volunteered for them, and that she knew of no one or no reason anyone would single out her bag. She advised that when the male student volunteer discovered the door open at approximately 5:30pm, he simply turned off the light and pulled the door shut.

According to the Assistant Director, during the hour in question, there were more than 25 student volunteers, not including staff or student leaders who were passing in and out of the office. There were no cameras positioned in the Student Life office, and exterior cameras were unable to reveal anything. As Security left the office, the officer checked room 201-C and found that it was secured at that time.

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Graffiti	8/30/2011 2:05am	Duncan Hall First Floor	J. Green

On August 30, 2011 at approximately 2:05am, Security discovered graffiti on their first patrol of Duncan Hall. The graffiti is in the first floor men's room in the second stall behind the door. The graffiti was written in large black marker. Pictures were taken and will be attached to the e-mailed incident statement. Plant Operations has been notified of the graffiti.

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Damaged Property	8/30/2011 3:58pm	Parking Lot C	A. Brereton

On August 30, 2011 at approximately 3:58pm Security was dispatched to parking lot C for a reported hit and run by a registering student. Upon arrival, the student stated she parked her vehicle (green, Volkswagen, Passat) in lot C, at approximately 2:00pm and returned to her vehicle at approximately 3:50pm and observed scrapes and a transfer of red and white paint to the corner of her vehicle's rear driver-side bumper. The Security Sargeant arrived on the scene at 4:04pm and took photos of the vehicles' damage while Security gathered the student's information. It was confirmed that the vehicle currently parked next to the student was not involved in the incident. The student left the campus at approximately 4:11pm. Further information for this report is pending.

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Fire	8/31/2011 7:20pm	HVPA Bldg.	L. Houston

On Wednesday, August 31, 2011 at approximately 7:20pm, Security received a call from HVPA 260 stating that someone smelled smoke. The name of the individual was not given to Security. Security immediately went over to HVPA at approximately 7:21pm and saw smoke coming out of HVPA 155. After pulling the door open he saw flames coming from underneath the piano. A student grabbed a fire extinguisher and put the fire out. At approximately 7:23pm, Security radioed another officer to report to HVPA 155. While in route, Security was approached by HVPA division office staff near HVPA 200 and the officer advised them to go outside immediately. Upon arrival, Security could smell a strong odor and there was a huge cloud of smoke throughout the hallway. All Security units on scene assisted in evacuating the building and blocking off the area. As the building was being evacuated, Security approached the student who had just finished putting out the fire. Security immediately interviewed him and he notified Security that he ran out of classroom HVPA 165 because another student told the class there was a fire. He also stated that he immediately ran over to HVPA 155 and put the fire out with the closest extinguisher. Security then asked him to write his statement on paper which Security obtained and attached to the report. After obtaining the report, Security immediately searched for the other female student who noticed the fire while walking by HVPA 155 back door which was open. Security interviewed her and she stated that she walked out of class for a bathroom break. After coming from the bathroom she noticed smoke and glanced up and noticed a fire coming from HVPA 155. She immediately ran and told the class there was a fire. As the class ran to the fire she stated that the male student extinguished the fire and one student pulled the fire alarm. Security completed the interview and asked her to put her statement in writing. Security immediately interviewed the student who pulled the fire alarm. He stated that he was in the hall when he heard a student yell "where is a fire alarm." He then immediately ran and pulled the fire alarm. Security also had this student write down his statement. While obtaining a statement from this student, another student notified Security that she had taken a photo of the fire right before the other student put the fire out. Security had her email the photo which is attached to the report. All statements are attached. After collecting all interviews, Security returned to HVPA 155. Security met a Plant Operations staff member inside and asked him how the fire started. The staff member notified Security that the piano's attachment, which is a humidifier, ran out of water and caught on fire. While burning, the humidifier dislodged from underneath the piano and continued to burn on the floor. Howard County Fire Department was not notified because Plant Operations had advised us that there was no need for the fire department. After getting permission from Plant Operations staff members, the HVPA lobby area and the Main building was ok for people to enter. The room has locked and secured and is not to be used until the insurance company can further investigate. The dispatcher was unable to view the footage because the camera was not functioning. There were pictures taken and attached. The Evening Administrator notified the HCC Crisis Communication Manger at the time of the incident.

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