

## PRESS RELEASE

August 20, 2016; Theft from Auto; Between 2 PM and 830 PM, a vehicle was entered and a wallet was taken. The vehicle was parked in a driveway on Jacoby St. The wallet was later recovered on the front lawn of a residence on the 400 block of Boyden Ave. The vehicle did not sustain any damage.

August 29, 2016; Theft from Auto; Between 8 PM (8/29/16) and 9 AM (8/30/16) vehicle parked in a driveway on Hoffman St. was entered however there were no items reported missing.

August 30, 2016; Theft from Auto; Between 930 PM (8/29/16) and 830 AM (8/30/16) a vehicle on the 500 block of Ridgewood Rd. was entered and several items were taken. Most of the items were recovered in the back yard of a residence on the 500 block of Ridgewood Rd. The vehicle did not sustain any damage.

August 30, 2016; Theft from Auto; At approximately 8 PM, a vehicle was entered on Kendal Ave. and a hammer was taken from the vehicle. There was no damage sustained to the vehicle.

August 30, 2016; Residential Burglary; Between 11 PM (8/29/16) and 630 PM (8/30/16) an unsecured residence was entered on Kendal Ave. A lap top computer and car keys were taken. Further investigation revealed that the homeowner's vehicle was stolen from the driveway.

### Valley Street NJAWC Project Update

The Maplewood Police Department has contacted NJAWC to clarify the schedule of work for the Valley Street project. Barring any unforeseen emergencies the plan for the Valley Street Project is as follows:

- The primary work on Valley Street which has required extensive road closures from Baker St to Millburn Ave is scheduled to be concluded on September 3, 2016.
- Except for brief periodic finishing work including backfilling holes and water testing, all traffic will be allowed to flow on Valley St after 09/03/16 between Baker Street and Millburn Ave.
- No further long term with detours are anticipated after September 3rd, 2016 for this current project.
- Periodic short term finishing roadwork will continue in the area of Valley Street from 09/05/16 to approximately 09/09/16. This work is expected to be conducted between 9AM and 2:30 PM to minimize disruption to school traffic. Once the water has been tested and determined to be clean, the temporary water piping will be removed. This removal should have minimal impact to traffic and will not normally require a road closure.
- Work will continue on Millburn Ave in Millburn for approximately 1 more month and some work will take place in the future on Pierson Rd
- No work will take place on Harvard Ave near Tuscan School, the valve at Valley and Harvard has been replaced already. .
- If any major work needs to be done where Valley St will need to be detoured, this will be done on a Saturday where commuter and school will not be effected (unless emergent repair situation arises).
- The contractor will hire officers for traffic control as needed for any additional work for the remainder of the project in an effort to maximize safety and minimize traffic disruption.
- With regard to the impact to traffic at Tuscan School, parents are still encouraged to always use caution, obey the law and whenever possible, minimize driving in the area of Tuscan School. Maplewood Police will provide police patrols in the area of Tuscan School on the first day of school, and periodically thereafter to assist with traffic flow and enforcement.
- Nixle traffic advisory messages will be used until the conclusion of the project to provide daily updates to the public.
- The Maplewood Police Department thanks the community for their cooperation and understanding during this lengthily and complex project.