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NOVI: Masked men offer candy to kids

Novi police are asking parents to be on the lookout after three children were approached Thursday by three men in a truck wearing masks and offering candy.

The children were at a bus stop at Irvine Drive and Violet Lane at about 7:45 a.m. when three men in a gray Dodge truck drove up. The men did not try to get out of the truck or hurt the children. The children notified their bus driver. Anyone with information can call 248-348-7100.

ROCHESTER: Armed men enter house, tie up grandmother

Two armed men bound a Rochester grandmother and left her in a garage after pretending to deliver flowers and forcing their way into her home.

The woman was taken to Crittenton Hospital Medical Center as a precaution, but was not seriously injured.

Her two grandchildren -- both younger than 4 -- who were at the home in the Stoney Creek subdivision were not approached and nothing was taken, according to Rochester police.

Although the department said it appears the home was not randomly selected, officials did not disclose why investigators say they believe the woman was targeted. A news release by the Oakland County Sheriff's Office said the motive was robbery. Anyone with information is asked to call 248-651-9621.

TROY: 18-year-old arrested in locker room thefts

Police said they iced a series of hockey rink locker room thefts with the arrest of an 18-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man.

Skaters at Troy Sports Center at John R and East Big Beaver Road reported cell phones, money and credit cards stolen from locker rooms between 7 and 8 p.m. Wednesday. Investigators spotted a suspect through the rink's security camera system, according to Troy police. With help from Grosse Pointe Woods police, they found a number of the stolen items at the 18-year-old's home.

Photo of carjacking suspect released

Troy police issued a composite photo Wednesday of a man they said carjacked a vehicle from a car

salesperson at gunpoint Monday. The suspect stole a 2010 Ford Fusion from a salesperson at Elder Ford on John R, police said. Anyone with information can call the department at 248-524-3477.
