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Pride Flag Thefts and Damage to Property

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This morning the Batavia Police Department has received four (4) reports involving thefts of Pride flags that were displayed on the exterior of multiple residences. These events happened in the overnight hours between June 14th and June 15th, 2022. As of this time, the reports indicated two incidents in the 500 block of Houston Street, one incident in the 1200 block of Creek Lane and one in the 600 block of Church Rd. The incident in the 600 block of Church Rd happened between 1:57 AM and 2:03 AM. The damage includes broken flag poles and mounts on which the flags were displayed with the flags themselves being stolen.

Batavia Police is actively investigating these crimes. Police ask that everyone in the affected areas check their video/security cameras as well, and if any applicable footage is located, please call Batavia Police at (630) 454-2500.

Anyone having additional information regarding these incidents or if you are a victim and have not yet reported it, please contact the Batavia Police Department at (630) 454-2500. Any press inquiries, please contact Public Information Officer / Sergeant Michelle Langston at (630) 454-2500.

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