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## SUSPICIOUS ITEM INVESTIGATION

06/15/2021

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On 06/14/2021 at 2:41 PM employees of the St. Augustine Church and School, 221 E. Clinton St., observed a male subject enter the grounds of the Church property with a suitcase and go to an area behind the Rectory and the Playground. The subject then departed the area without the suitcase. Officers were called to the scene to investigate.

During the investigation, a highly suspicious series of circumstances were noted. Officers conducted an extensive search for the owner of the suitcase but were unable to locate the subject or any associates. For an abundance of caution, it was decided to contact the Northwest Ohio Bomb Squad from the Toledo Police Department for assistance and to evacuate the Church Property and the residences on the surrounding block.

Technicians from the Toledo Bomb Squad conducted an investigation into the item, and it was decided to destroy the suitcase with a type of water cannon. The suitcase was safely destroyed, and the contents were found to be clothing and personal items. No harmful materials were found.

The "All Clear" was given at 7:40 PM and residence were advised they could return to there homes. The Napoleon Police Department continues their investigation into this matter, and more information will be released as it becomes available.

The Napoleon Police Department would like to thank The Northwest Ohio Bomb Squad for there assistance in the matter, and a special thanks to the residents and citizen in the area of St. Augustine's Church whose cooperation assisted greatly to the safe and successful conclusion to this event.

  
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