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Fill the boots

Grimsby firefighters will be out at several locations this Saturday as they host their annual boot drive. This year - as shown by (L to R) campaign chair Andrew Medwid, Grimsby Firefighters Association president Christian Giovannini and event committee member Chris Decker - the volunteers will have a new tap feature to help with donations. For more details, please turn to Page 13 Williscraft - Photo

Grimsby, Beamsville see rash of break/enters

By Mike Williscraft
NewsNow

A rash of eight break and enters in Grimsby and Beamsville last week are still under investigation by Niagara Regional Police.

On Wednesday, March 20, 8 District officers responded to the homes finding the break-ins occurred between 1 a.m. and 5 a.m.

"Thieves entered homes when people were sleeping through unlocked exterior doors to residences and attached garages," said police.

"Thieves stole personal items including identification and credit cards. Detec-

tives determined that some of the stolen credit cards were later used in the Hamilton area."

The break and enters occurred in the areas of:

- Grimsby - Olive Street and Princess Boulevard
- Beamsville - Lincoln Avenue, Northgate Crescent, and Frances Crescent.

Damage and loss estimates are not completed.

"The investigation is in its early stages, but detectives believe three suspects were involved," according to a police statement.

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DIA's financial process changes to council April 2

Grimsby Garden Club raises communication concerns re DIA beautification matter

By Mike Williscraft
NewsNow

Grimsby Downtown Improvement Area board's announcement to members regarding proposed financial reforms is still premature, say Town of Grimsby officials.

Last Friday, the DIA emailed its first communication to members in several months under the heading

"Finance Reforms Announcement". The document outlined a series of good information about the "whys and wherefores" of the board's decision from earlier this month to create more financial separation from the Town of Grimsby.

A fly in the ointment may be that Town officials were not aware of the proposed changes and, more

importantly, have yet to approve the financial autonomy report.

"No board can move forward with procedural matters such as what has been proposed until council has approved their minutes. That is just basic administrative process for any board, including the Grimsby DIA," said Mayor Jeff Jordan, who also acts as a council liaison on the

DIA board.

"It still has to come to council on April 2."

In last week's edition of NewsNow, Coun. Delight Davoli, who is also a council liaison, noted several major issues she brought up at the March meeting when the matter was being discussed.

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