

FORT SMITH POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Fort Smith Police Investigating Museum Theft

UPDATE: As of Saturday morning, March 24th, the stolen pin has been recovered and returned to the FS Museum of History. The investigation into how the pin was stolen from the museum continues, and for that reason no further details will be released at this time.

On Thursday, March 22nd, at approximately 2:30pm, Officers were called to the Fort Smith Museum of History, 320 Rogers Avenue, in reference to a theft. Museum workers discovered a display had been moved, and upon closer inspection, discovered that a gold, lizard shaped, tie pin had been stolen. This artifact is one of very few items remaining that was the personal property of Judge Isaac C. Parker. FSPD Detectives are investigating the case and ask that any person with information regarding this theft come forward.

The Fort Smith Museum of History has offered a \$1300 reward for information leading to the recovery of the priceless artifact.

Individuals with information may also call Crimestoppers at 78-CRIME, where any information leading to an arrest in this case may also be eligible for a cash reward up to \$1000.

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