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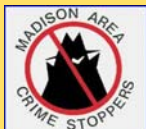
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### Safety Alert

MPD has noticed a recent rash of cases that occur late night/early morning that include victims being robbed on the west side of the square in downtown Madison. These cases involve three to five black male suspects, ages 17-21. Detectives are evaluating these cases to determine if they are related.

Any information related to observed suspicious activity can be directed to Crime Stoppers at 266-6014.



## WHY WASN'T THAT IN THE NEWSPAPER?

Have you ever heard sirens or seen police cars in your neighborhood, or even on your street, and wondered what was happening? Did you look in the newspaper the next day, expecting to read about what happened, and found nothing? Is there a media cover up or something the police aren't telling us? Why can't I find out what's going on in my neighborhood? Here is some information that may help you in these situations.

The Madison Police Department serves many needs. Not only do police fight crime, but they also serve as first responders in emergency situations, as well as a variety of other functions. Here are some situations police frequently respond to, which often will not find their way into the newspaper or the newsletter:

Medical Emergencies. When someone calls 911 with certain medical emergencies (such as a report of a child choking, or a "pulse-less non-breather", etc), not only is an ambulance sent, but dispatchers will also alert police nearby in the area. Madison Police Officers are trained in CPR and basic first aid, and some also have automatic defibrillators in their squad cars, and therefore can assist in a critical medical emergency until Madison Fire Rescue arrives. However, medical emergencies are generally not reported in the newspaper for two reasons: first, no "crime" has occurred, and secondly, to protect the privacy of the ill/injured person and their family.

Death Investigations. Many people pass away at home or in some other non-hospital environment. Police Officers always respond to these "non-attended" deaths (a death where no doctor is present) for the obvious reason that they need to establish if the death was natural, or if foul play is suspected. Many of these death investigations reveal that the deceased person died of natural causes, and these police investigations are not generally reported in the press for the same reasons listed above.



Suicides and Fatal Drug Overdoses. Unless a suicide occurs in a very public manner (such as jumping off a tall building), they are generally not reported in the newspaper. Likewise, fatal drug overdoses are considered confidential, and are generally not publicized. It is important to realize, however, that considerable police resources may be applied in these types of investigations. So, even though you may see a Police Investigator's Crime Scene van, several police officers, and possibly a Deputy Coroner, these situations are often not reported in the newspaper.

Sex Crimes. Investigations of some crimes, such as sexual assault, incest, and especially sex crimes involving children, require a high level of protection of the confidentiality of victims and their families. For this reason they are sometimes referred to as "sensitive crimes". While some sex crimes will be heavily reported in the media in order to solicit help and clues from the community (for example, the serial "Mall Rapist" about 2 years ago), victims are essentially never identified to protect their privacy.

Juvenile Crime. While some juvenile crime may be reported, the names of the juveniles involved are essentially never reported to protect the privacy of the juveniles. Juveniles by law have various special rights to privacy.

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The purpose of the newsletter is to provide information about incidents, criminal activities, and special events occurring in the Central District. If there is information that you would like to see in future editions of the newsletter, please contact Capt. Mary Schauf at [mschauf@cityofmadison.com](mailto:mschauf@cityofmadison.com). Further information available at: <http://www.madisonpolice.com/central.html>.

## CRIME OVERVIEW

The following represents an overview of police activity in the Central District. It does not include all cases.

**NOTE:** For the last two weeks district staff has been extremely busy and we have been unable to include all of the crimes that are usually reported in the summary.

### Property Crimes: *Burglaries*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Entry</i>	<i>Targeted/Stolen</i>
Mar 28	600 blk Howard Pl	Residential	Kicked in door	Food
Mar 29	10 blk Randall St	Residential	Unlocked door	Laptop, iPod
Apr 1	1100 blk Curtis Ct	Residential	Broken window lock	DVD's, bike
Apr 1	300 blk E Mifflin St	Residential	Friends believed to have taken victim's computer	
Apr 1	300 blk E Mifflin St	Residential	Forced window	Nintendo, change
Apr 2	1100 blk Elizabeth St	Residential	Unknown	Coat, wallet
Apr 2	1300 blk Williamson St	Residential	Unknown	DVD's
Apr 4	10 blk N Broom St	Residential	Broken window	Change
Apr 5	1200 blk E Dayton St	Residential	Unknown	Laptop, iPod, and other electronics
Apr 6	500 blk W Main St	Residential	Unknown	Laptop, iPod
Apr 6	10 blk N Bassett St	Residential	Unknown	Laptop
Apr 8	10 blk N Orchard St	Residential	Unknown	Credit card
Apr 11	1900 blk Linden	Non-Residential	Smashed front door	Cash
Apr 13	500 blk W Doty St	Residential	Unlocked door	Electronics
Apr 18	100 blk N Bassett St	Residential	Victim woke to sounds of someone in apt., gone before police arrived. No sign of forced entry.	
Apr 29	900 E Johnson St	Non-Residential	Broken window	Suspect arrested in building

### Property Crimes: *Thefts*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Entry</i>	<i>Targeted/Stolen</i>
Mar 21	500 blk W Johnson St	Theft from Auto	Broken window	Cooler
Mar 21	McCormick Parking Ramp	Theft from Auto	Broken window	Radar detector, CD's, clothes
Mar 26	100 blk W Washington Av	Theft from Auto	Broken window	Camera
Mar 31	200 blk Bernard Ct	Theft from Auto	Unlocked door	Walkman, clothes
Apr 1	400 blk State St	Male arrested for breaking into vehicle. Charged with Theft/Criminal Damage.		
Apr 3	2000 blk Winnebago St	Two juvenile males caught going through cars		
Apr 4	Carroll St. Ramp	Theft from Auto	Unknown	CD player
Apr 5	100 blk E Johnson St	Theft from Auto	Unknown	CD's, dash board broken
Apr 8	400 blk W Doty St	2 males arrested for slashing tires and attempted Theft from Autos.		
Apr 10	100 blk N Bedford St	Theft from Auto	Broken window	Camera, purse, stereo
Apr 16	Kanopy Dance	Theft	Two purses stolen, two females arrested—one from Milwaukee	
Apr 20	1000 blk E Dayton St	Theft	Open door	Bicycle taken from basement
Apr 20	600 blk E Main St	Theft of Auto		
Apr 22	2000 blk Jenifer St	Forgery	Woman used altered checks to make purchases.	
Apr 23	500 blk W Main St	Theft of Auto		

### Person Crimes: *Disturbances, Others*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>
Apr 9	2:41 am	200 blk W Gilman St	Friend let unknown male she met at the bar into her apartment then left. Woman woke to man standing in her bedroom.
Apr 22	2 am	Kimia Lounge	Disturbance between four women in the bar. Bar staff physically removed patron from the bar. Case was investigated at approx. 10 pm.

## CRIME OVERVIEW CONTINUED

### Property Crimes: *Damage to Property, Others*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Damage</i>	<i>Details</i>
Mar 24	Wisconsin & Gilman	Damage to Auto	Broken window	Nothing missing
Mar 24	200 blk Langdon St	Arson	Dumpster fire, started by 4-5 unknown males	
Mar 27	500 blk University Av	Arson	Fire started in 2 elevators of apt. building	
Mar 27	University Square	Damage to Property	Brick thrown through window of Army Recruiting Center.	
Mar 28	300 blk W Washington Av	Damage to Auto	Mirrors, windows, wipers; keyed on hood and side	
Mar 28	Northern Court	Damage to Auto	Ignition damaged	Car ransacked
Apr 1	S Thornton Av	Grass fire	12' x 18'	
Apr 3	Star Liquor	Counterfeit bill passed		
Apr 8	500 blk W Johnson St	False Fire Alarm	Intoxicated underage suspect struggled with firefighters.	
Apr 9	Henry & Langdon St	Arson	Officers observe two males lighting papers on a kiosk. One arrested after foot chase; other arrested the next afternoon. Charged with Arson, Obstructing, Underage Drinking.	

### Property Crimes: *Graffiti*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>
Mar 18	400 blk State St.	
Mar 27	900 blk Williamson St	Star Photo
Mar 27	Overture Center	20' red line
Mar 27	100 blk S Broom St	House spray painted with white paint
Mar 28	400 blk W Wilson St	Multiple locations
Apr 2	2100 blk Winnebago St	Black paint
Apr 10	100 blk S Broom St	
Apr 10	700 blk E Johnson St	
Apr 11	700 blk E Mifflin St	
Apr 11	100 blk W Johnson St	

### Person Crimes: *Batteries*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>
Apr 4	2 am	Monday's Bar	Fight outside bar after an altercation inside. Male arrested for 2 counts of Battery.
Apr 5	6 pm	100 blk N Franklin St	Domestic Battery. Female arrested for 3 counts of Battery to her roommate.
Apr 15	2 am	600 blk Langdon St	Several males battered by several other males.
Apr 20	6:29 pm	100 blk S Blair St	Dispute ends in one female battering another. Suspect was arrested.
Apr 21	11:55 pm	400 blk N Bassett St	Suspect battered 3 males for no apparent reason. Suspect was arrested.
Apr 22	3:11 am	900 blk Spring St	Male punched another male who fell to the ground. Victim hit his head—lost consciousness and received head lacerations.
Apr 28	1:27 am	100 blk S Butler St	Battery to P.O. Officers found suspect passed out on the terrace. Suspect was conveyed to the Detoxification facility. On arrival he became belligerent and combative. During the struggle, he battered the police officer, who was punched in the face.

### Person Crimes: *Weapons Offenses*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>
Apr 12	8:09 am	BP Gas Station 1130 Williamson St.	Officer Involved Shooting. Officer shot man after he attacked and stabbed Officer Kellogg. This case has been released through numerous press releases. The officers involved are known to many neighbors since they have worked downtown for many years. Officer Kirby Harless has returned to duty. Officer Kip Kellogg is still recovering from his injuries and it is unknown when he will return.

## CRIME OVERVIEW CONTINUED

### Person Crimes: *Robberies*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>
Mar 30	2 pm	300 blk S Baldwin St	Strong Arm Robbery. Female knocked to ground, purse taken. Witness got lic. plate from suspect vehicle. 1-1/2 hrs later Monona PD stopped car on separate investigation. Male arrested for 2 counts Robbery, Battery, Possession of Cocaine, Drunk Driving, Reckless Endangering.
Apr 1	1 am	200 blk W Lakelawn	Robbery. Wallet taken. 2 suspects fled.
Apr 1	4:30 am	200 blk W Gilman St	Attempted Robbery. Victim at friend's, vague about details.
Apr 1	7 pm	200 blk W Lakelawn	Attempted Robbery. Victim knocked to ground, 2 suspects fled.
Apr 2	3 am	100 blk W Gilman St	Robbery. Victim punched/kicked by suspect, cash stolen.
Apr 5	8:10 pm	1300 blk E Washington	Strong Arm Robbery. Female's purse grabbed, punched by suspect. K-9 tracked to location where purse was found.
Apr 18	1:25 am	200 blk W Gilman St	Four young males charged with Armed Robbery. Victim was walking home from restaurant on State St.
Apr 22	1:30 am	Frances @ Langdon	Robbery. Male victim pushed down by 4 males, punched, cash stolen.
Apr 22	3:30 am	300 blk W Dayton St	Male victim approached, punched, various items stolen.
Apr 29	midnight	500 blk State St	Male victim punched and restrained by several subjects, pockets gone through.
Apr 30	1 am	1000 blk W Dayton St	Carjacking, Armed Robbery. Male victim contacted while walking to car, eventually he is forced into the car and driven around. Suspects in this case are described as four black males, 17-21 years old. Handgun was used.

### Person Crimes: *Sexual Assaults*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>
Mar 24	12:35 pm	10 S Fourth St	Male, 40's in age, masturbating in car on street by East High School.
Apr 4	1 pm	200 blk King St	Sexual Assault. Victim attacked on the street, groped. Male arrested.
Apr 9	3:30 am	Henry & State St	Female walking down street, forcibly fondled under her shirt.
Apr 22	8:27 am	100 blk E Gorham St	Female victim attended house party, intoxicated, and went to bed. Woke briefly to find male assaulting her.
Apr 30	1 am	400 blk Hawthorne Ct	Extremely intoxicated female met male at Mifflin party. She was later allegedly assaulted by him.

### Traffic

*Traffic Enforcement Safety Team Activity in the Central District:  
March 20, 2006 — April 14, 2006*

<i>Location</i>	<i>Violation</i>	<i>Citations</i>	<i>Warnings</i>
Doty @ Hamilton	No Turn on Red/Operating After Revocation	1/1	1
John Nolen/Olin	Speeding	1	0
John Nolen Dr., 100 blk	Registration/Operating After Suspension	1/1	0
N Park St., 10 blk	Speeding	9	1

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Protective Custody Conveyances. Consuming an excessive amount of alcohol or some other drug may result in a person becoming “incapacitated” and unable to care for him/herself. Police have the legal right and responsibility to take persons incapacitated by alcohol into custody and place them in a safe environment. The person may be taken to a detoxification facility or a hospital. Often, no “crime” has occurred. But again, for the sake of confidentiality, these situations are essentially never reported in the news media. It is important to be aware that “Protective Custody Conveyances” occur frequently in the downtown area. It is not unusual for persons incapacitated by alcohol to be confused or combative with police, creating rather dramatic scenes.

Low-Level Criminal Activity. Some police situations sound serious at the outset because of how they are reported but, upon investigation, prove to be minor. It is not uncommon for several officers to race to a scene with lights and sirens, only to learn that no serious crime occurred and no danger exists.

Nuisance-Type Behaviors. Some behaviors drain large amounts of police resources, often with no reported result in the papers. Many of these behaviors occur downtown (though in other areas as well), and can include social disorder problems such as loud house parties, drunken and rowdy behavior on the streets, cars “cruising” in the summertime, and spontaneous fights which often occur at bar time. Other nuisance behaviors that are more prevalent during the day include aggressive panhandling or general disorderly behavior.

Other Situations. Police respond to many domestic disputes, but unless there are weapons or injuries or a threat to the public, domestics are not always reported in the paper, mostly to protect the privacy of the family. Police also deal with numerous situations — such as car crashes, injuries, and other urgent situations. The vast majority of these situations are resolved quickly, and generally do not rise to the level of being newsworthy.

It is very important to be aware that downtown Madison, in particular, has many occurrences of the above types of incidents every year. It is ironic that many of these types of calls for police service make up a very large share of the police “work” that is done downtown, and yet most are rarely seen in the newspapers and thus go “below the radar”. There are many services provided by police that extend beyond investigating and preventing crime. These are important things to keep in mind when thinking critically about quality of life issues, and issues involving taxes, police resources, local government, and city budgets.

Many people, especially those from Wisconsin, are familiar with small town newspapers that have a “police blotter” column where they list every police or fire call dispatched over a given period. However, this would not be practical in a city the size of Madison, where thousands of calls for service come in every month, the vast majority of which are not really “newsworthy”.

## MADISON'S SESQUICENTENNIAL — 1856-2006

The City of Madison celebrated a Sesquicentennial Birthday the weekend of April 7-9, 2006. The Birthday celebration started out with a press conference from the Mayor and guests from the 150 Commission, descendants of Jairus Fairchild (Madison's first Mayor), and the Mt. Zion Baptist Church. On Saturday, hundreds of Madisonians took part in walking tours of various historic neighborhoods.



Officer Susan Krause helps with answering questions.

The celebration ended on Sunday with an event at the Monona Terrace Convention Center. Thousands of residents enjoyed live performances, city agency displays, and ate birthday cake with the Mayor. Madison Police participated with a display table and an agency timeline, pointing out some of the changes in the department. The display was staffed by Officers Tammi Droessler, Susan Krause, and retired investigator Pia Kinney James. Tammi, Susan and Pia assisted with developing the presentation along with Officer Mary Ann Thurber, Nicole DeMotto, and Catherine Heffron.



Pia Kinney James (left), and Officer Tammi Droessler staff the display.