



Captain's Corner

by Capt. Tom Snyder

This is an exciting time of year for MPD. As you will see, February brings great change to our organization as officers have the opportunity to work in different districts as a result of our annual seniority pick. While I'm sad to see some of our 2009 officers move on, I am equally excited about working with new staff here in our District. You will see some of our new staff profiled in this newsletter, but there are many others. As always, we are still committed to providing high quality service to our residents, and look forward to a great year serving you.



Captain Tom Snyder

In past newsletters, we have profiled the Department's Safety Education Unit and C.O.P.S. program. Those of you with grade school age children are likely familiar with this program. I would like to share a link to a video about the Safety Education Unit's C.O.P.S Program. The video was produced by MMSD-TV and it features Officers Emily Samson and Tom Grosse. The video was developed to promote awareness about the excellent work that is being done in the schools by MPD's Safety Ed Officers, who teach the C.O.P.S. program. Officer Emily Samson is a friend to fifth grade students on the east side of Madison. She is likely well known to your children and a popular figure in their schools. In this unique school/police partnership, students make a pledge to be good citizens and gain life-long character-building skills. Please take a look at this link: <http://mediaproductweb.madison.k12.wi.us/node/399>

LT. STRASBURG HONORED

On January 6, Lafollette High School Principal Joe Gothard made a surprise visit to the East District during an afternoon briefing. Mr. Gothard stopped in to thank our former East Lieutenant Carl Strasburg for his work over the last several years in helping to maintain a meaningful and positive working relationship between the school and MPD. Lt. Strasburg was recognized with a plaque for his service by LHS administration, staff and students, for his willingness to meet and discuss school safety issues and strategies. Mr. Gothard advised that even when safety issues took place in the community, Lt. Strasburg was always careful to consider potential school ramifications.

Thank you to Lt. Strasburg for his support of LHS, and continued success with his new assignment in the North District.

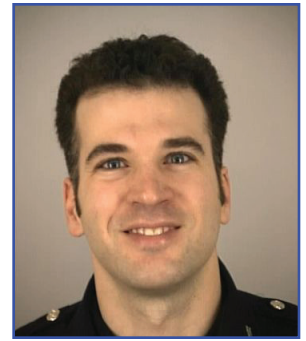


Please take the opportunity to visit the new and improved Madison Police website at www.madisonpolice.com. A great deal of effort has gone into making this a more user friendly and informative site. You may want to visit the "East District" section. Here you will find a map of our district which shows which of our Community Policing Officers are responsible for the areas in which you live and work.

LaFollette High

by Off. Greg Rosetti, LHS Educational Resource Officer

With the third quarter underway at La Follette High School, the 2009-2010 school year is more than halfway complete. LHS administration and the student body have had many successes in the first half of the year. Building will start this summer on LHS's new visitor center which will contain a Summit Credit Union Branch. The Credit Union Branch will allow students to be placed as interns right on site. LHS was chosen by the Summit Credit Union this school year to be the first high school in the area to have a credit union operating on its campus.



Officer Greg Rosetti

The LHS Youth Court had 60 students who participated in the program this year. Of these students, all 60 completed their sentences and did hundreds of hours of community service for their restorative justice obligations. Starting in February, Lancers interested in working with children after school will be able to participate in Glendale Elementary after school program run by MSCR. In the spring, this after-school experience will expand to the Leopold Conservancy. Students will be able to work in the conservancy after school doing reclamation work and general maintenance.

This year, La Follette High School offers a restorative justice class for students as an alternative for suspension. The class which is currently being developed by faculty and staff will be a half credit for all students completing the class.

Principal Joe Gothard and parents, Alice Pulvermacher and Sue Ella, are working with LHS staff and the East District Police Dept. to develop a prevention program regarding drug addiction especially around the use of opiates. There has been a steady increase in the use of opiates (e.g., oxycotin, heroin, etc.) county-wide, especially among teenagers and young adults. This group is a partnership between LHS, the community and the police to educate parents, staff and students around these issues.

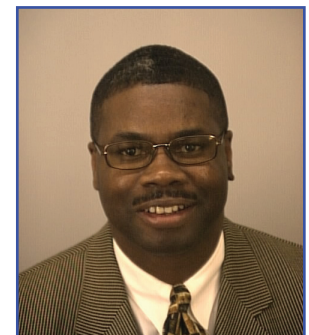
You may have also noticed a new permanently mounted speed board facing westbound traffic on Pflaum Road prior to the school. The eastbound speed board will be installed next summer. Thank you to the Pflaum Road Traffic Safety Committee for their work in making this a safer area for our kids.



Patrol Operations Update

by Lt. Wayne Strong

It is with great pleasure that I introduce myself to you as the new Lieutenant of Operations for the East District. Many of you have enjoyed a wonderful working relationship with my predecessor, Lieutenant Carl Strasburg. It is my sincerest hope to continue to foster those relationships and build new ones. I have been a member of the department since 1989 and am a classmate of Captain Tom Snyder. I also have a vested interest in the east side, as I have been a resident since 1996. Both of my children attended Hawthorne Elementary, Sennett Middle School and are graduates of LaFollette High School. I eagerly anticipate working with you and serving the district in the coming year.



Lt. Wayne Strong

Over the course of the past few weeks, I have been getting acclimated to the district as well as making contacts with representatives from the various neighborhood associations. The East District has approximately 17 neighborhood associations. I have been making an effort to contact these associations in order to ascertain which ones are currently active. To date, I have heard from several of them and plan to attend their meetings in order to develop and/or maintain the positive working relationships we have built with them over the years. I am firm believer that neighborhood associations are a vital necessity for strong, vibrant neighborhoods. Various studies have shown that areas where neighborhood associations are active have lower incidents of crime, mainly as a result of increased neighborhood watch initiatives. In turn, these initiatives benefit the department by placing less of a strain on limited resources via calls for service.



Community Policing Team Update

by Sgt. Chuck Weiss

2010 has brought some changes to the East District Community Policing Team. Four new officers have joined the team. Although these officers are new to the Team, they bring a vast amount of experience with them.

Officer Kraig Knutson is the only returning member from last year. Kraig is a 10-year veteran of our Department and has been a member of a CPT for seven years. Kraig brings a great deal of experience addressing issues related to taverns and has taken the lead in our dealing with licensed establishments. Kraig has also been working closely with the managers of several apartment complexes in the East District helping them develop strategies to ensure a feeling of security for their tenants. In addition to his CPT responsibilities, Kraig is also an active member of the Department's Special Events Team (SET).

Officer Ryan Orvis joins us from the North Districts CPT. Ryan has been with the Madison Police Department for 10 years. Ryan will be our liaison with the hotels/motels in the East District, as well as our liaison with the State of

Wisconsin Sexual Offender Registry Program. Ryan has been a member of the Department's SWAT team for six years and the SET team for five years.

Officer Ryan Finnegan also joins us from the North CPT and has also been on the Department for 10 years. While with the North District, Ryan was the Truax Neighborhood officer working closely with CDA Housing staff. Ryan has been a member of the SWAT team for five years and spent three years on the SET team.

Officer Dave Meinert joined the East CPT in October of 2009. Dave has assumed responsibility for our initiatives involving heroin and has been working with Lafollette High School on a drug awareness campaign. Dave worked undercover for two years with the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force. This experience gives him a unique insight to the underbelly of our drug culture. Dave has been a field-training officer for seven years and was a member of the SET team for two years.

Officer Tim Smith is a fairly new member to the Madison Police Department but not to law enforcement. Tim joined MPD in 2008 and prior to that worked six years with the Fitchburg Police Department.

Please check the MPD website for an updated map indicating which of these CPT officers is assigned to your neighborhood.

Cell Phone Drive

by Dane County Crime Response Program

The Crime Response Program of Dane County is collecting used and unwanted cell phones to raise money that will provide crime victims with services and needs in the aftermath of victimization, such as lodging, food, gas and the response of a trauma specialist. Some phones may also be used as emergency 911 phones.

The Crime Response Program responds to all victims and witnesses living in Dane County. Crime-related trauma may include battery, robbery, home invasion, arson, hate crimes or homicide, just to name a few. It is an event outside the usual range of experience and is markedly distressing to most people. That's why the program was put in place: to help people in times of extreme distress when faced with crime-induced trauma. Used cell phones can be dropped into a collection box located in the lobby of the East Police District. Thank you for supporting this program.



Investigative Update

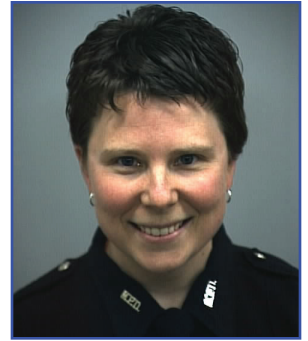
by Melissa Schiferl

Date	Addr	Info
01/18-19/10	Burglary/Theft from Autos Herndon and Harrington Drs.	The underground parking areas were entered and several vehicles broken into. Vehicles were damaged upon entry and miscellaneous items taken from inside.
01/30/10	Burglary 4818 Dutch Mill Rd. (Dutch Mill Sports Club)	Upon arriving for work an employee noticed the front window broken out and the front door unlocked. Undetermined amount of cash taken from inside.
02/02/10	Armed Robbery 3177 E. Washington Ave. (Budget Host Motel)	Three subjects entered the motel with a gun and demanded money. The suspects fled on foot and officers later contacted two of them. The investigation identified a third individual. The two were immediately arrested and the third was arrested at a later date. An air pistol was later recovered.
02/05/10	Fight/Arrested Person 100 Jackson St.	Suspect contacted victim at his home where he had made an appointment at his in-home business. As the victim turned to lead the suspect into the converted garage area, the suspect hits him in the neck with a stun gun. The victim's roommate came to his assistance and the suspect fled the residence. The victim and his roommate chase the suspect who is later contacted by police. The suspect later admitted that he wanted the victim to repent for committing crimes against God. The suspect was charged with possession of an electronic weapon, battery and carrying a concealed weapon.
02/08/10	Armed Robbery 4416 Pflaum Rd. (Subway)	A suspect entered the Subway sandwich shop and pointed a handgun at the clerk. Suspect ordered a second employee to the floor and took his wallet. After checking the register, the suspect ordered the employees into the freezer and left the store on foot. A small amount of money was taken from the register during the robbery. Suspect described as a M/B 5'10" to 6'0", medium to stocky build, wearing a blue coat with a small white emblem on the back between the shoulders, white tennis shoes with a mask covering half of his face.
02/08/10	Criminal Damage to Property 4122 Sycamore Ave. (Lycor Corp)	Several pieces of heavy equipment behind the business had windows broken out or other damage done to them. Some items from inside the vehicles were thrown on the ground. Three vehicles appeared to have had a fire extinguisher discharged inside them. Several thousand dollars in damage was caused. Any information on this or any other crimes, please contact Crime Stoppers at 266-6014. Callers can remain anonymous and be eligible for a cash reward.
02/14/10	Burglary 3717 S. Dutch Mill Rd. (Toby's Supper Club)	Suspect(s) made entry to the business through a window. Taken was cash and loose change.
02/17/10	Suspicious Person 216 Cottage Grove Rd. (Anchor Bank)	Bank manager reported that a white female entered the bank and appeared to be scoping it out. The woman asked questions regarding bank hours and was given a brochure with the hours and locations. She walked around the bank interior before stopping in a manager's office and finally left the building. Once outside she stopped and looked back at the building. She was later seen driving a lap around the bank and was observed taking a photo of the bank with her cell phone. There have been no other reports involving this female, but we request that any suspicious behavior observed by citizens be reported to police.
02/17/10	Armed False Imprisonment Fair Oaks Ave./ Milwaukee St.	Janesville PD contacted MPD to report they were in contact with a victim of an armed robbery that occurred in the city of Madison. Victim reported that a W/M approached his vehicle at the intersection and pointed a gun at him. The suspect got into the victim's car and ordered him to drive, ultimately ending up in the lot of the Janesville mall. Nothing was taken from the victim and he was not injured during the incident. A suspect composite was released by Janesville PD.
02/18/10	Burglary 3717 Dutchmill Rd. (Toby's Supper Club)	Business entered after closing. Undisclosed amount of money taken. This is the second occurrence within a week.
02/22/10	Theft 3401 Milwaukee St. (Seversin's Citgo)	Clerk thought the suspect had been casing the store all afternoon. She was on one side of the store when he entered, walked to the counter, took the cash drawer and left the store. She said he didn't say anything. Officers searched the area and didn't find him. Suspect described as a M/B, 6'02", wearing a white hoodie or coat with a both on the front and back, dark pants and white/black tennis shoes.
02/23/10	Entry into Locked Vehicle Parkside Dr. (CC Riders Clubhouse)	Two juveniles were arrested after they entered into a party bus owned by a CC Riders member. Several items that were on the bus had been taken out prior to a member of the CC Riders becoming aware of the incident. CC Riders members caught the juveniles and some of the property that was taken was located nearby or on the juveniles. Some property is still unaccounted for.

Darbo / Worthington Neighborhood Update

by Off. Kelly Beckett

Hello! My name is Kelly Beckett and I am the new neighborhood officer for Webb/Worthington/Darbo area. I have been a patrol officer in the East District for most of the last five years, so I feel very much at home here. I am very excited to begin this new position and I look forward to working with community residents who are invested in continuing to make this neighborhood a positive and safe place to live. Over the past couple of weeks, I have been attempting to familiarize myself with ongoing issues in the neighborhood, and of course to meet as many people as possible! If you see me out walking, please stop me, introduce yourself and let me know what's on your mind. My immediate plans are to continue the good relationships that MPD has with the Worthington Park Neighborhood Association, Joining Forces for Families, the organization Mentoring Positives and with the Salvation Army. All of which are vital resources for the neighborhood. Additionally, I am always looking for creative ways to engage our youth, so if you have any ideas please feel free to get in touch with me. In the coming months, keep your eyes peeled for a new girls youth basketball team to hit the hardwood along with an announcement for the date of the annual (and not to be missed) Block Party. Lastly, please know that I will continue to place an emphasis on working collectively with you to solve problems in the neighborhood, and I look forward to celebrating our successes!



Officer Kelly Beckett

East District Survey

Earlier this year, we asked readers of our newsletter as well as other residents and business owners in our district to complete a survey. This was done as a way to gauge your opinions on neighborhood safety your beliefs regarding the priorities of the Madison Police. We take the information you provide very seriously. I would like to thank those of you who responded and offer you the opportunity to view the results for yourself.

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The East Police District is one of five geographical areas served by the Madison Police Department. The East District coverage area extends from Lien Road (south of East Towne Mall) on the north to the McFarland Village limits on the south. The west boundary is Lake Monona including the Division Street and Olbrich Park area all the way east to the City limits east of Sprecher Road.