

Introduction

This newsletter is distributed by e-mail to district personnel, area alders, neighborhood groups and other interested citizens. The purpose of this newsletter is to share information about police incidents, community events and general police operations and will focus mostly on events taking place in the East Police District.

The mailing list of recipients has been developed from a variety of sources and I again encourage everyone to send me addresses of anyone else that you may hear of that is interested in receiving the newsletters.

EAST POLICE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

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 St and Olbrich Park area all the way east to the City limits east of Sprecher Road.

Greetings,

Do you ever see a convergence of police in your neighborhood and wonder what happened? Please feel free to call or email me with the time, date and location. I will be happy to let you know why police were in the area. My email is jkclubertanz@cityofmadison.com.

If you have any general questions about policing or our policies that you would like to see answered in the newsletter for everyone, please email them to me.

Captain Jill Klubertanz

BURGLARIES, THEFTS, DAMAGE TO PROPERTY REPORTS (Reported since April 1)

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES

- Camden Rd., 4/11, Unoccupied duplex has been broken into three times. This time entry was made by breaking a window. Gang related graffiti was located on the walls.
- Margaret St., 4/18, A window screen had been removed. There also were some pry marks on the window but entry was not made.
- Maher Av., 4/19, Door kicked open. Many items were taken.
- Margaret St., 4/19, The caller reported damage to his back door. There were pry marks but no entry.
- E. Winnequah Rd., 4/25, The suspect rang the victim's doorbell and when she did not answer he went around the back of the residence and starting kicking the back door. He saw the resident look out at him and ran to a nearby bike and fled the area. Suspect is a white male, 20's, 5'6", beard stubble, dark colored sweatshirt, yellow cotton hat and black backpack.
- Drexel Av, 4/25, daytime, Screen removed, entered through window, coins taken.

NON - RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES

- Lake City Church storage shed, 4909 E. Buckeye, 4/1, door kicked in. 2 tricycles, 1 red wagon.
- Kings Mill Way, 4/6, Three vehicles broken into in underground parking. No signs of any forced entry to the parking area. Items taken included CD players, CD's, satellite radio, braille and misc. paperwork.
- 2508 S. Stoughton Rd. Prophecy Auto Works LLC, 4/9, Two front windows were broken out. Did not appear entry was made.
- 4000 Nakoosa Tr. ,4/15, Petkovsek & Morgan,LLP. Laptop & monitor stolen. No forced entry.

- 4000 Nakoosa Tr., 4/15, Smart Solutions, Doors damaged.
- 917 Walsh Rd. Deck Records/TDJ Productions, 4/12, Entry through small window, Numerous items taken.
- 2050 S. Stoughton Rd. Brothers Main, 4/12, Window of the business was smashed out. Two TV's near the window were stolen.
- 4237 Lien Rd. Flaming Wok Restaurant, 4/14, Several items and food taken.
- 800 N. Thompson Dr., 4/15, Two vehicles broken into in the underground parking area of the apartment.
- 614 N. Fair Oaks Av The Brothers Three Bar & Grill, 4/21, Gambling machines broken into.
- 3030 Gateway Pl., 4.23 , Several items taken.
- 4901 Cottage Grove Rd. Wildwood Family Medical Center, 4/23, Window had been pried open and a Dell desktop computer was stolen.

THEFTS

- Theft from auto, 801 Vernon, weekend of 4/1, dashboard damaged, unsuccessful getting stereo.
- 3841 E. Washington, Howard Johnsons, 4/2, evening, Lock cut off change machine in game room. Unk. amt of money taken.
- Dunning St., 4/2, Caller reported her locked paddle boat, blue and white in color was stolen. Three teenagers she allowed to use the boat earlier are suspected.
- Wirth Ct., 4/20, Caller saw suspect take bike from neighbor's property. Described as a white male, 17-20 yrs, crew cut, red cloth sweat jacket and jeans.
- 2311 S. Stoughton Rd. Allbee Automotive, 4/23, Catalytic converter stolen from vehicle while it was parked outside of the auto repair shop.
- Maher Av., 4/23, The victim found his vehicle jacked up. Two Firestone R 690 tires and rims were stolen.
- Farm and Fleet, 4/24, at 12:20 am a car parked in the lot was broken into and the stereo taken. Incident on video.

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

- Jupiter Dr., 4/3, Steven's Construction reported a senior apartment under construction had been vandalized. Light fixtures were damaged, uninstalled windows were smashed and it was spray painted with black paint
- Damaged/Stolen auto, 30 Dempsey, Dane County Parent Council, 4/4, overnight. Found van moved and steering column damaged.
- Stein Av, 4/7, 9 pm, witness saw a white male in his 20's break out a car's window and tail light with a baseball bat. Suspect's car was a silver minivan.
- Daffodil Lane, 4/8, Window pane located in the front of house with a rock with rock.
- 701 Meadowlark Dr., Park Shelter, 4/9, Caller reported several juveniles damaging the roof of a park shelter. The juveniles had climbed on roof and one tore of a shingle. Five juveniles, ages 14-16, were contacted. The one who pulled the shingle off was charged with Damage to Property.
- 3000 Darbo Dr., 4/16, Vehicle had been spray painted along the trunk and bumper with blue spray paint.
- Rosemary Av., 4/17, Several front screens of house were torn and windows were broken.

LAFOLLETTE HIGH SCHOOL (ERO Doberstein)

- On 4/13, school staff broke up a fight between a 16 yr old male and a 14 yr old male. The fight was over one making disrespectful remarks about the other's gang. The 16 yr old was arrested for battery.
- On 4/16, 4 male students were in the 200 blk of Pflaum. They passed an AT&T employee working in the area and attempted to walk away with a tool. The worker confronted them and they left the tool behind. The 4 students were charge with truancy and returned to the school.
- On 4/19, 3 males students were involved in a physical fight outside of LaFollette. The males, ages 14 and 15, were all charged with Disorderly Conduct.
- On 4/20, a staff member saw a small baggie of marijuana fall out of an 18 yr old students sock. He was charged with casual possession of marijuana.
- On 4/24, a 17 yr old and 14 yr old male got into a physical fight in the parking lot. Both were charged with

Disorderly Conduct.

WHITEHORSE MIDDLE SCHOOL

- On 4/7, two 14 yr old girls got into a physical fight in the hallway. Three staff members were needed to separate them while they continued to try to kick and hit each other. One who started the fight was charged with Disorderly Conduct.

GRAFFITI

- Elvehjem Park Shelter, on the temporary winter enclosure, GDLLDR, ZPA, NIGA, six point stars, pitchforks and eight balls.
- 734 Jupiter, 4/2 overnight, on apt. bldg under construction. "Konvict" and "Korn on the cob".
- Apollo Way, 4/3, The victim reported her garage door had been spray painted with black paint "GDFOLK".
- 718 Cottage Ct, 4/14, name spray painted on building.
- 3213 E. Washington Av. CV Pros, 4/18, Black spray paint on the east exterior wall of the business. The graffiti spells "BLAME" in capital block letters.

HOME INVASIONS

We had a number of reported home invasions this month. Although this is a descriptive term, "home invasion" is not an actual charge or law violation. The charge for most of these incidents is armed robbery.

- 4700 Milwaukee St.
The first incident occurred on April 1 at 10:30 am. A male visitor was the targeted victim. Three white males kicked in the door. The victim went downstairs to find out what was happening and was confronted by the men, one of whom had a handgun. The suspects demanded money owed to them.

When the first officer arrived, two of the suspects had fled and she confronted the remaining suspect and the victim. Of course, at the time, the officer did not know which was which. Both were uncooperative and the victim went back in the house. The officer attempted to take the suspect into custody, but he began to struggle with her. Additional officers arrived and the suspect was handcuffed. When the officers assisted the suspect to a standing position, a loaded handgun fell from his person to the ground. The incident remains under investigation.

- 1100 Wayridge
On April 2 at 12:45 am, Residents had just moved into duplex that day. One of the residents heard glass breaking and then 1 shot. A suspect entered the residence yelling for them to give him the money. Additional shots were fired inside the residence. The suspect fled after getting some money. It is likely the prior resident was the target.
- Droster Rd.
On April 9, victim returned home to find garage door open. Two suspects wearing ski masks confronted her and restrained her hands. Victim was able to get free and call the police. Suspect #1 Black ski mask, dark blue hoodie, blue jeans and Suspect #2 Blue ski mask, dark brown sweatshirt and blue jeans. Suspects seemed interested in adult son's room. Victim reported a very similar incident a few years ago.

POSSIBLE ARMED ROBBERY THWARTED

- On 4/3 at 12:30 am, Papa John's driver saw vehicle following him. He stopped on Annestown to call police and vehicle pulled in front of him and started to back up to front of his car. Pizza driver pulled out and went to next delivery on Radford. When he went in with pizza, he saw the suspects' car parked down the street. When he returned to car and began to back out of driveway, he struck suspects' car. The suspects had apparently turned off their lights and pulled behind him after he got in car. The suspect driver got out of car, looked at front end damage and left area. He was stopped a short distance away by officers coming into

the scene. Suspect driver said he was trying to contact the pizza driver to ask for gas money. Passenger suspect said he didn't know why they were following the pizza car. Knife found under front seat. Two 17 year old males were arrested for Disorderly Conduct.

SUSPECT ARRESTED IN BURGLARIES

- A suspect was arrested during a burglary in the Central District. He is suspected of the two following burglaries in the East District.
- N. Marquette St., 4/10, 8:35 am, Resident next door saw suspect trying to kick in back door. Also tried to get in window. Neighbor knocked on her window, suspect saw her and fled. M/B, 5'1"- 6', navy blue parka, dark knit cap with stripes on it.
- Wirth Ct, 4/10, 8:50 am, Resident heard noises. Found suspect in his house. Told him to leave and suspect left. M/B, 25-30, 165, dark skin, pock marked face, wearing navy blue knit cap, dark blue waist-length puffy coat, Neighbor saw suspect leave house and leave in a light purple or pinkish car.

JUVENILES ARRESTED THROWING ROCKS AT VEHICLES

- A semi driver reported his windshield was suddenly damaged when he was driving on Hwy 30. He did not know if the windshield had been shot with a gun or some other object struck it. A short time later, citizens reported two boys standing near Hwy 30 throwing rocks at the passing cars. Two boys, ages 12 and 11, were contacted and admitted hitting the semi with a rock.

MAN ARRESTED TRYING TO GET INTO HOUSE

- On 4/18, on S. Fair Oaks, a resident answered the door and found a man asking for a woman. The resident told him no one by that name lived there. The man tried to push his way in. When he was unsuccessful, he went behind a car and returned with a shirt wrapped around his hand as if he may have a weapon. He threatened to kill the resident. The resident was able to lock the door. Police located the man a short distance away. He had no weapon and stated he was looking for someone who was dealing drugs to this girlfriend. The man was arrested for criminal trespass.

SHOOTING INVESTIGATION

- On 4/18 at 8:40 pm, residents in the 10 blk of Walbridge heard and saw a fight in the street between 2 men. They then heard a gunshot and saw a vehicle leaving the area. A man was located at a different address who had a gun shot wound to his leg. The 18 yr old victim reported that he had set up to meet an unknown person and believes the person wanted to rob him of the large amount of money he had in his pocket. The incident is under investigation.

JUVENILES WITH GUNS

- On 4/13, a citizen reported seeing 3 young males with guns on Broad Creek Blvd. The citizen did not know if the guns were real or not. Three 12 yr olds were contacted. Each had a BB gun. The BB guns were confiscated and the boys were counseled. The parents requested the guns be destroyed.
- On 4/20, a citizen reported a young male with a rifle. A 13 yr old boy was contacted. He had a BB rifle. He agreed to let police confiscate the rifle.

ALERT NEIGHBOR LEADS TO ARREST OF 4 BURGLARS

- On 4/27 on Waywood Cir., a resident saw some people sitting in a car near his neighbor's house and noted that the garage door was kicked in. He immediately called police with a description and license plate of the car. The Traffic Unit was doing speed enforcement near by and saw the car. The 4 occupants, two men and two women were arrested for burglary. Several stolen items, including a gun, were recovered in the car.

OUT OF CONTROL MAN ARRESTED

- On 4/27 on Ruth St., a woman reported a man trying to get into her house. The woman was going to call the police, but the man grabbed her cell phone. She ran to a neighbor's house and the man followed her and broke the window in a door at the neighbor's house. The man was also reported trying to get into a 3rd house in the area. The 17 yr old man was contacted and found to be intoxicated. After being arrested the man began kicking the window of the squad and had to have his feet hobbled. The man also threatened to beat up the officers. He was taken to the Dane County Jail.

STABBING OCCURS NEAR HORSESHOE BAR

- On 4/29, a man, the victim, approached the suspect to confront him about how he treats his wife. The suspect stabbed the victim with a box cutter. The suspect was later arrested at this residence in Sun Prairie.

CHILDREN ABUSE 911 SYSTEM

- On 4/30, the 911 Center received approx. 30 calls to 911 where the caller immediately hung up. All of the calls came from two cell phones. The 911 Center was able to determine an approx. location of the phones. An officer in the area saw 2 girls sitting on a porch who immediately looked concerned when they saw the officer. The officer was able to determine that the girls, ages 7 and 8, had been making the calls as a prank. The girls were counseled and parents contacted.

WORKING TOGETHER TO SOLVE PROBLEMS

- We recently received a complaint of ATV and dirt bike riders using Wagon Trail to access vacant land on either side of the Interstate. The noise from these vehicles was becoming a frequent annoyance to neighbors in the entire area. One of our Community Policing Team (CPT) officers was assigned the problem. He first contacted citizens who could tell him the location and times of the problem. He then researched who owned the property and contacted the property owners. They agreed to post the property with no trespassing signs. The officer then spent many hours in the area contacting the ATV and dirt bike riders. On one occasion, an ATV rider was on his way to urgent care for a shoulder injury from tipping over his ATV. All of these drivers were cooperative and agreed to no longer use the property. By putting in several hours up front to remedy the problem, our patrol officers will not have to spend time responding to repeat calls regarding this nuisance. This makes them available for other priorities. Neighbors will no longer need to listen to the noise.

OTHER CPT ACTIVITIES

- During the month of April the North /East CPT the North/East CPT continued to be involved in numerous activities. On weekend evenings we conducted several traffic initiatives on E. Washington Av. The main focus was on hazardous driving behavior such as racing.
- On April 18th we participated in the anthrax drill at the main post office.
- On April 11th a North/East CPT officer attempted to contact two subjects who been seen loitering in the parking lot of the Mobil gas station at E. Washington Av. and Marquette St. The subjects both fled on foot. After a foot pursuit both subjects were apprehended. Both were juveniles who were wanted by the Department of Corrections. In addition to this one was charged with Possession of Cocaine Base with Intent to Deliver. Patrol Officers from the North and East District assisted in the apprehension of both subjects.

HERE COME THE HORSES

Many of you may have heard the recent news coverage about mounted police being at the Mifflin St. block party this weekend. I thought I would bring you up to date on our Mounted Patrol Unit. The last 2 years, we had one

officer who used his own horse to help patrol at Halloween on State St. All of the other horses come from the State Fair Park Mounted Unit. They are officers from a variety of Departments who work at State Fair Park events.

When our officer retired at the beginning of this year, the Department asked me to take over. Since the horses are owned by the officer and not the Department, I bought a horse to use as a mounted patrol horse. Two other officers, who had access to horses, joined me in this venture.

So currently, our Department has 3 mounted police officers. We do our regular full time jobs, and ride mounted patrol for special events. Because our horses are new to their job, it will take a lot of time to make them comfortable with city life and unruly crowds. We have attended a one week training to be certified as mounted officers. Among other things, we learned how to make arrests, search and handcuff from horse back. We practiced emergency dismounts and how to teach our horses to not be afraid of strange new things. Next week, we will travel to the State Fair Park to train with Milwaukee Police Department's unit and the State Fair Park mounted unit. In order for our horses to be ready for Halloween, they will need to spend many hours on the job getting used to all of the strange sights and sounds and interacting with groups of people. Our horses will be used to help patrol the downtown area this summer as part of the downtown safety initiative which will add to their experience. In addition, we spend many hours on our own time, having our horses practice the skills they need to do their job.

Mifflin St. block party will be Beau, Missy and Hawk's first "big" event. We recently helped escort the Immigration Rally participants down W. Washington Ave. Considering the banners, air horns and megaphones, the horse did fairly well. In addition to the MPD horses, we will have a mounted officer from University Police and one from Maple Bluff Police at Mifflin St. We have trained with these officers and their horses and are excited to have them working with us at Mifflin and other future events. Two other area mounted officers, one from Capitol Police and one from Shorewood Police had conflicts and were unable to "join the party".

At the Mifflin St. block party, we will have 2 concerns. One will be exposing our horses to the bands and unruly crowds in a manner that continues to build their confidence and comfort with these events. The other concern is the possibility that someone may accidentally or intentionally injure our horses. Intoxicated people often engage in behavior that disregards the safety of others. We anticipate that as our horses become more exposed to larger events, they will become an invaluable asset. Our experience is that horses are much more effective in dealing with crowds than an officer on the ground. Most people will more readily move aside for a horse that they will for an officer. Typically, horses are seen as less intimidating than a line of officers on foot.

We are hoping that in the near future the City will consider funding a mounted patrol where the City owns the horses and pays the expenses associated with having this valuable program. Under a program where the City owns the horses, the mounted officers could work nearly full time providing mounted patrol to various parts of the City. Currently our officers own the horse and all of their tack. We pay for all of the horse's board, farrier and vet expenses. We transport the horses to work with our own truck and trailers. We are working on an agreement with the City for compensation if our horses are injured or permanently disabled.

If you see us out, please feel free to come up and meet our horses and ask questions. We know that many people, especially kids, want to pet the horses, and we are willing to allow that when we are able. However, sometimes, when we are working, we may ask that you not touch the horses. Likewise, we don't allow anyone to feed the horses. We don't want them to become panhandlers for food.

CHRONIC NUISANCE ORDINANCE WINDS IT'S WAY THROUGH THE PROCESS

A chronic nuisance ordinance is working it's way through the Common Council. The ordinance is intended to help police hold landlords accountable for the behavior of the renters they bring into your neighborhood. Usually, if a problem develops with a renter causing ongoing problems in a neighborhood, the police contact the landlord and discuss options for changing the behavior or eliminating the source of the problem. But every once in a while, the police encounter a landlord who refuses to work with the police to solve the problem. Sometimes these landlords actually just refuse to talk to us or even acknowledge us. They are only interested in the income the renter generates and not the problems the renter causes for the neighborhood.

Under this new ordinance, we have developed a list of "nuisance violations" such as unreasonable noise, disorderly conduct, and battery. If a specific number of arrests are made at or near an address, the police will contact the landlord to try to stop this behavior. If the landlord is uncooperative, the police can declare the property a nuisance property. At that point the police will notify the landlord and the landlord is required by ordinance to work with the police to stop the behavior. If the landlord refuses to work with the police or fails to take the actions he promised, he or she is in violation of the ordinance and can be fined. In addition, if any additional arrest occurs at that property for a "nuisance violation", the landlord can be required to reimburse the City for the cost of the officers responding and making that arrest.

The most important part to remember about this ordinance is that it will only be applied when landlords or property owners refuse to work with police to solve a problem being cause by their renters.

That's all for now.
Be careful. Be safe.

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