

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,

We were all hoping for a longer Autumn, but I'm afraid Winter is nudging its way in. I am holding out for a little Indian Summer around Thanksgiving.

The good news is the Cottage Grove Rd bridge over the Interstate is predicted to open on Nov. 10. This should make for shorter trips for everyone who needed to get to the "other side" and should lessen the traffic cutting through the neighborhoods to Milwaukee St and Buckeye Rd. I'll be glad to not have all the traffic pulling into the East Station lot thinking it is a way to get across the Interstate.

I am happy to report that Halloween was successful and safe on the East side as well as on State Street. There were reports of huge bags of candy being carried by all sorts of characters and no reports of incidents involving trick or treaters.

Captain Klubertanz

KNOW SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO JOIN OUR DEPARTMENT?

This Sunday, our training staff will be hosting an Open House at our station for anyone who may be interested in pursuing a career as a Madison Police Officer. The Open House starts at 4:30 pm with an opportunity to ask questions about the hiring process and what our Department has to offer an employee. Following this discussion, anyone who is interested may take the written test. This test, which is a part of our hiring process, would normally be given after an application has been submitted.

Our next academy starts in May of 2007. Anyone interested in being hired at that time, must have submitted an application by December 1.

BURGLARIES, THEFTS, DAMAGE TO PROPERTY REPORTS (Reported since October 6)

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES

- 401 N. Thompson Dr. , The Meadows, 10/4, The model apartment across from the office was broken into.
- Littlemore Ct., 10/12, House under construction had 2 boxes of tan aluminum siding taken from the garage.

The suspect vehicle was seen in the area.

- 900 Jana La, 10/14, Attempted entry through patio door. Screen open and fork was found near the door.
- 3400 Wayne St., 10/15, Right rear window of vehicle parked in the garage was broken out. Door to the garage not locked
- 700 Powers Av., 10/17, Entry through an unlocked window. Teenager's computer taken. Other valuables left behind.
- Bradford La., 10/22, Small case containing ID missing. Entry was the patio door which was unlocked.

NON - RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES

- 917 Walsh Rd., Fantasy Customs , 10/4, The rear door of the business was pried open and items taken.
- 4222 Milwaukee St. #82 Natural Ovens and American Family Insurance Office #83, 10/7, The caller had arrived at work and saw the suspect run from the office next door. Suspect 5'10", thin build, gray hooded sweatshirt and gray and black backpack. Entry was made through a door leading to the insurance office.
- 99 S. Stoughton Rd. East Side Transmission, 10/20, Entry made through garage window.
- 2308 Atwood, Sound Logic, 10/23, 1 am, owner in closed store when heard noise and saw white male trying to break into store. Suspect fled.
- 220 Cottage Grove Rd. Wayne's Auto 10/24, Officers responded to alarm and found a partially broken plastic pane of the rear garage doors

THEFTS

- 4850 Helgesen Dr. A.J.Sweet, 10/2, Two industrial size Semi truck batteries were stolen.
- 4700 Ellestad Dr., 10/5, Misc. items stolen from an unlocked horse trailer.
- 6700 E. Broadway, 10/8, Side window of minivan shattered and purse stolen.
- 4600 Femrite Dr. 10/13, Victim found his truck had been put up on cement blocks and the two front tires had been taken. He saw a suspect running from the area. A truck was located nearby with lug nuts on the seat and the stolen tires nearby
- Park & Ride, 13 Collins Ct. 10/13, Vehicle had been broken into and both the front driver's window and front passenger's side window were shattered. Laptop and keys to another car taken. That car was stolen from his address in McFarland and later crashed into a business in Monona
- 13 Collins Ct., 10/13, Two additional vehicles were broken into at the Dutch Mill Park & Ride.
- 1600 N. Thompson Dr., 10/14, Vehicles driver side window shattered and an attempt to take stereo
- 1600 N. Thompson Dr., 10/14, Vehicle's driver and passenger side window shattered and the car stereo stolen.
- 800 N. Thompson Dr., 10/18, Driver window broken and damage done to the center console and frame around the stereo.
- 3800 Milwaukee St. Woodman's, 10/23, Victim came out to his truck and noticed someone by the back of his vehicle. The suspect had his toolbox and was running toward a blue vehicle. Tool box and hunting items taken. Victim got license plate of veh. Registered out of town. Suspect: White male, 20's, 5'8", 170 lbs, in a 1986 light blue Cutlass Supreme Brougham.

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

- 5200 Milwaukee St., 10/8, Pumpkin thrown at mailbox causing damage to it.
- 3950 Commercial Av. Hobart Sales, 10/13, Company van had the front passenger window broken apparently with a rock.
- 10/25, Woodman's, Shopper returned to car to find window broken out. Nothing taken.

LAFOLLETTE HIGH SCHOOL

- On 10/10, a fight broke out between 2 girls outside of the school. The 16 yr old girl (suspect) thought the 17 yr old girl (victim) had said something to her. The suspect pushed the victim and began punching her in the head. The suspect had something similar to a carabineer in her hand while punching the victim. Several

other kids tried to intervene and the victim was able to run over to her boyfriend. The suspect, meantime, had armed herself with a short length of a large metal chain. She wrapped the chain around her hand and ran after the victim. The suspect punched the victim several times in the head with the chain. Another girl tried to help the victim by putting her hand on her head and was struck in the hand by the chain. The suspect ran when she heard police had been called. She was taken into custody a few blocks away. She admitted to everything described above. She had been given a citation and suspended from school earlier that day for slapping another student. The suspect had not left the school as instructed and became involved in this second incident.

- On 10/13, a student reported 3 juveniles breaking into a car in the LaFollette High School parking lot. School staff and police chased the suspects and caught them near by. The 3 juveniles, ages 14, 15 and 16, were Sun Prairie High School Students. They were all arrested for attempting to break into the car and possession burglar tools.
- On 10/13, a fight broke out in the school between 2 female students. I will use letters to depict the various students. Apparently Girl A told her cousin, Girl B, that Girl C had said something negative about her. Girl B confronted Girl C and a fight broke out. School staff was able to separate the girls and while one principal was holding Girl C down on the floor, Girl B broke loose and kicked her in the face. The girls were finally controlled and moved to the office. Meantime the brother of Girl C came to the office and caused a disturbance. He was threatening to "deck someone" and yelled "this school is going down". When the first officer arrived, the brother refused to calm down and continued to make threats. He was eventually handcuffed and taken out of the school.
- On 10/13, two 16 yr old female students at the football game when they appeared to be intoxicated. One tested .19 and the other .23. The legal limit for driving is .08. Both were cited for underage drinking and released to parents.
- On 10/17, the Principal received information that a 16 yr old female student may have a knife with her. The Principal contacted the girl and found a knife in her purse. The girl said she brought the knife because she heard that 2 other girls were going to "jump her". She stated she planned on stabbing them if they tried to fight her. She was charged with carrying a concealed weapon and having a knife on school grounds.
- On Nov. 2, a 20 yr old male was dropping his 17 yr old girlfriend off at LaFollette when he saw a 15 yr old male student who he believed had been involved in an incident with his girlfriend. The 20 yr old attacked the 15 yr old on a lawn across from the school. The LaFollette School Officer saw the fight and attempted to break it up. The 15 yr old stopped fighting but the 20 yr old continue to punch him in the head. The officer deployed his taser at the 20 yr old, which caused the 20 yr old to stop striking the juvenile. The 20 yr old was arrested for Physical Abuse of a Child. The 17 yr old girlfriend was arrested for Obstructing when she tried to interfere with the arrest.

WHITEHORSE SCHOOL

- On 10/6, a 12 yr old reported that another student, who doesn't like her, punched her in the face several times while on the bus going home from school. The 12 yr old assailant was charged with battery.
- On 10/10, at approx. 11:30 am, a student reported finding a bomb threat written in a bathroom. The threat gave a specific time when a bomb would go off. School staff evacuated the school while bomb sniffing dogs checked the interior. The students returned to school about 2 hours later.
- On 10/23, a 14 yr old and 11 yr old began to fight on the playground because they were members of rival gangs. Both were charged with Disorderly Conduct.

DISTURBANCE ON BUS

- On 10/16 at 7:30 am, several juveniles created a disturbance on a Metro Bus transporting students to O'Keefe School. A 12 yr old female started a confrontation with a 14 yr old female about something that happened at a party. When the bus driver stopped the bus to wait for police, a 14 yr old male threatened to have all the students "beat the bus". The 12 yr old female and 14 yr old male were charged with disorderly conduct. When the officers removed the 2 students from the bus, several others got off the bus as well and did not continue on to school.

14 YEAR OLD ARRESTED FOR SPEEDING

- On 10/7, at approx. 4:20 pm, an officer was running radar on Pflaum Rd. near the schools. She stopped a

vehicle that was traveling 38 mph in the 25 mph zone. When the officer contacted the driver, she found the driver was a 14 yr old girl who had taken her mother's car without the mother's knowledge. She was with 2 other 14 yr old girls who had also driven the car. All three were arrested for driving without a license and operating a motor vehicle without owner's consent.

8 YR OLD ASSAULTED BY JUVENILES

- On 10/11 at about 2 pm, an 8 yr old girl was walking home from school when she was approached by 3 boys who have been harassing her in the past. One of the boys, hit her butt several times, so she tried to chase them. At that point, the 11 yr old boy pushed her to the ground and held her hands down. The two other boys, brothers ages 6 and 10, ran up and the 6 yr old laid on top of her. The 10 yr old brother began to move the 6 yr old up and down in a "humping" motion while telling him to "freak" the girl. "Freak" is a slang word meaning to have sex. A woman drove by and yelled at the boys. The girl was able to run home.

JUVENILE ARRESTED FOR BATTERING ANOTHER JUVENILE

- On 10/17, the 11 yr old victim got off the bus after leaving Sennett School. The 11 yr old suspect admitted that he got off another bus at the same location because he wanted to beat up the victim. The victim was knocked to the ground and kicked. The suspect was arrested for battery.

JUVENILE RESPONSIBLE FOR CRIME SPREE

- On 10/13, a credit card was stolen out of a locker at Ford's Gym at 2509 E. Washington. A suspect was seen running from the gym and fleeing in a car. The witness got the license plate and it was determined that the car had been stolen over the weekend. The credit card owner immediately went home to cancel the credit card, only to learn it had already been used several times. The suspect turned out to be a 15 yr old male. He is also the suspect in several incidents where a group of juveniles have entered a store and grabbed merchandise and fled. He is also the suspect in an attempted burglary and was present when a fight occurred in the Darbo neighborhood where shots were fired. He was also the juvenile who threatened to come to East High and shoot students. He has been charged with some of these offenses, but we do not have enough evidence to arrest him on the others. He has been taken to detention twice after being arrested, but has been released both times.

FIRE IN PARK MAY BE WORK OF JUVENILES

- On 10/16 at 5:40 pm, officers responded with the Fire Dept for a report of a fire in a trashcan at Eastmorland Park. Four juveniles, ages 13, 14, 14, 16, were seen near the trashcan when the fire started. They denied any involvement.

ARMED ROBBERY

- A very intoxicated 23 yr old male was walking along Stoughton Rd. near Lexington when 2 Hispanic males approached him and demanded his wallet. One had a knife and the other claimed to have a gun. Both suspects were about 20 yrs old, 5'7". One was thin, and the other was stocky. The victim's money and cell phone were taken.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON

- On 10/16 at about 4 pm, a 13 yr old girl was walking on Meadowlark near Hermsmeier, when a white car pulled up. The male driver asked her twice if she wanted a ride. He left the area. Car was an older white 4dr with some rust and black trim along the bottom. Driver was a black male, about 30, with very short hair.

RACERS STOPPED

- On 10/14, shortly before 7 pm, an officer saw 2 cars racing at approx. 85 mph on Stoughton Rd near Cottage Grove Rd. She stopped one of the cars and issued the 21 yr old driver a citation for racing. He

admitted to the offense. The officer ran the plate of the other car and later cited the 17 yr old driver for racing and driving with a suspended license.

ARMED ROBBERY OF CAB DRIVER

- On 10/27, at 11 pm, a cab driver had picked up a male in the uptown area and took him to the area of Kurt Dr. and N. Thompson. As they approached this intersection, the male held a knife to the cab driver's neck and demanded money. The suspect then fled on foot. Description: Black male, 20-25, 5'8", thin, short black hair, black T-shirt, blue jeans and a yellow bandana around his neck.

SHOTS FIRED IN DARBO/WORTHINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD

- On 10/29 at 8am, officers responded to Worthington Av. after a resident reported finding shell casings from a gun laying in the parking lot. The officers recovered the shell casings. The caller reported that she heard the gunshots and saw someone shooting a gun in the parking lot at about 2 am, but did not call police. In checking neighboring apartments, the officers found 7 other residents who heard the gunshots, but did not call police.

VICTIM BATTERED AFTER CHASING SUSPECTS

- On 10/31 at 11 pm, 21 yr old male was getting gas at the Mobil station at 3019 E. Washington when his car was shot by a paint gun. The victim saw a male with a paint gun who was with 2 other males. The victim chased and tackled the male with the paint gun. At that point, the other 2 males began to hit and kick the victim. The victim was also struck in the head with the paint gun. The victim was able to wrestle away the paint gun, but the 3 suspects fled the area. The victim sustained severe cuts to his forehead. The suspects were described only as 2 black males and 1 Hispanic male.

OFFICERS CONTACT POSSIBLE ARMED MAN IN BATHROOM OF PDQ

- On 11/1, officers responded to the PDQ on Milwaukee Street for a report of a man acting suspicious in the bathroom. The clerk reported the man was bleeding and appeared to be impaired by alcohol or drugs. She stated that the man had said something about having a gun and shooting police. When the first officer on the scene approached the bathroom, the suspect was standing in the bathroom. The suspect reached into his shirt as if reaching for a weapon. The suspect then exited the bathroom and left the store. The officers attempted to stop the suspect outside, but the suspect again reached into his shirt and began to walk away. After the suspect continued to ignore officers' commands, the officers deployed a taser and the suspect was taken into custody. He was arrested on warrants including one for possession of cocaine.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON

- On the afternoon of 10/28, a woman was walking on the bike path between Dennett and Dempsey when she noticed a black male walking toward her on the bike path. After she passed the man, she looked back and saw that he had begun to follow her. The woman left the bike path to get away from the man and the man yelled at her asking why she was doing that. The man stopped following the woman. Susp: black male, 20's, 5'7", 155, brown winter coat.
- On 10/29 at 3:45 am in the 800 blk of Jana, a resident was in her kitchen when she heard a noise outside. She looked out the window and saw a white male about 40 yrs old standing on her deck. The man fled when she yelled at him. He was wearing a white 3/4 length coat.

WORTHINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICER RECOGNIZED BY DANE COUNTY JOINING FORCES FOR FAMILIES

Officer Gregory Rossetti has been recognized by the Dane County Department of Human Services' Joining Forces for Families (JFF) program for helping make a difference in the lives of area children and families.

JFF encourages cooperation between agencies in supporting families and building strong communities. 14 JFF community social workers staff 25 JFF teams across Dane County to help deliver, front end, prevention and early intervention services to families on a voluntary basis.

Every year JFF sponsors a Friends of JFF event to recognize citizens and organizations that have made contributions to supporting children and families in their local communities.

Officer Rossetti represents the best that community policing has to offer. He goes the extra 10 miles for the kids he "watches over". He is a tireless advocate who provides support to the kids and families of the Darbo/Worthington neighborhood. For example, he has developed block parties, fundraisers, and celebrations to benefit residents. Without Greg's efforts the Darbo Worthington Block Party would not have occurred this year. He has also provided conflict resolution services to families in conjunction with a school colleague.

Many residents and professionals acknowledge that Officer Rossetti is a great asset to the Darbo community. JFF Community Social Worker Fabiola Hamdan spoke enthusiastically about Officer Rossetti, "He demonstrates his personal and professional commitment through his actions and brings a fresh optimism to the job each day. He clearly sees the strengths in people and helps them find how they can be used for their benefit. Finally, Greg is constantly working to bring resources into the neighborhood. We are pleased to have such a fine officer and JFF member on our team."

Staff from schools, police, and human services organizations join with local faith-based organizations and residents in JFF teams to keep families stable and avoid crisis that lead to homelessness or involvement with the court system.

In 2005 JFF community social workers responded to over 47,000 requests for service, provided funds and case management services to keep over 1300 families stable in their households, and partnered with others to raise over \$150,000 in private funds to assist vulnerable families

EAST DETECTIVE GOES THE EXTRA STEP FOR HER VICTIM

Recently we received a handwritten police report filled out by an 80 yr old East side resident. The woman reported that her bike was stolen from out side of Walgreens while she was shopping. She stated that she needed the bike to run errands and get her groceries. The bike was described as a 3 speed with balloon tires and a basket.

Normally this case would not be assigned for any further action because there was no suspect information or other clues as to who might have taken the bike. But when Det. Clare McCoy heard of the incident, she felt something had to be done for this victim. The woman lives alone and has no family living nearby.

Det. McCoy started by asking all of the employees of our Department if anyone had a bike similar to the description of the stolen bike. One of our civilian employees had a bike that she was willing to donate to the cause. But when Det. McCoy took the bike to the victim, she stated it wasn't like the one she had lost. Not easily deterred, Det. McCoy took the bike and the woman to the Budget Bike shop. The employees of the bike shop were extremely accommodating and were able to work a trade and add in the extra reflectors, etc to make it just the way the victim wanted. Det. McCoy paid the approx. \$50 in charges out of her own pocket. The victim and her bike were delivered home with a new bike lock.

This is just on small example of the caring and sympathy our detectives put into their cases. It takes extra time to provide this quality of service, but our detectives always seem to find a way to squeeze it into overbooked schedules.

That's all for now.

Be careful. Be safe.

Captain Jill Klubertanz
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Madison Police