



MADISON POLICE DEPARTMENT



North District Newsletter

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About The North District

The North Police District Newsletter is distributed electronically to district employees, area alder persons and other elected officials, business associations, school principals, media, North Side Planning Council members, neighborhood association leaders, North Neighborhood Resource Team members, East Neighborhood Resource Team members, interested citizens and staff of the Madison Police Department. The purpose of this newsletter is to provide information about incident reports and criminal cases as well as community events and activities occurring in the North District.

There are 25 neighborhood associations and 3 business associations represented in the North District. Some of the information shared in the newsletter is intended to serve as feedback to those associations on enforcement or problem solving efforts in the community. We are always open to improving the services we provide to north side residents. Your comments can be e-mailed to me or, if you wish to speak in person call me at 245-3652.

The North Police District is one of five geographic areas served by the Madison Police Department. The North District is bounded by Lake Mendota and Maple Bluff to the west, E. Washington Ave. and Highway 30 to the south, and I-90/94 to the east. It also includes the area east of I-90/94 and north of Highway 151 to the Sun Prairie border. You may see the boundaries of the district by visiting our website: www.ci.madison.wi.us/police/north.html. You will also find prior newsletters posted at this site.

North District Incident Summary - September 2006



Lieutenant Kristen Roman, Detective Services 245-3654

Note: Incidents are selected for inclusion in the monthly newsletter due to their particular interest to the community and are not intended to provide an account of all the incidents to which police responded in the North District during the past month.

Person Crimes - Robberies:

Date	Location	Details
09/02	4863 Hayes Rd.	Armed Robbery: Female victim approached in parking lot as she was entering her car. 2 suspects approached, displayed a gun, and demanded money. Suspects described as M/B, wearing jeans. No further description.
09/03	2602 Shopko Dr.	Arrested Person/Armed Robbery: Suspect approached service desk clerk, passed a note demanding money and threatened a weapon though no weapon was seen. Sven A. Heilskov (M/W, 12/14/71) was eventually arrested and charged with this armed robbery and several others.

09/08	1438 Northport Dr. (Home Savings Bank)	Arrested Person/Armed Robbery: Suspect approached a teller, passed a note demanding money, and threatened a weapon though no weapon was seen. Steven J. Conant (M/W, 11/27/67) was eventually arrested and charged with Armed Robbery as well as another robbery at Chase Bank.
09/15	2600 E. Washington Av.	Strong Arm Robbery: Victim was walking home, intoxicated, around bar time when a subject approached him from behind and grabbed keys out of the victim's pocket then ran off. No suspect description given.
09/16	2400 Calypso Rd.	Strong Arm Robbery: Victim was approached outside his residence by a group of 4 individuals known to the victim. The group battered the victim and stole money from his person. The victim refused to pursue any further investigation.
09/16	1500 Troy Dr.	Arrested Person/Armed Robbery: Elex G. Sturkey (M/B, 08/06/87) was arrested for armed robbery following an incident in which he confronted a victim acquaintance and demanded money. He threatened the victim with what appeared to be a gun but was later determined to be a lighter disguised as a small handgun.
09/18	4830 Hayes Rd. (Red Roof Inn)	Arrested Person/Attempted Armed Robbery: Suspect entered the hotel, loitered for some time, and eventually moved behind the service counter to attempt to take cash. When confronted by the clerk, the suspect displayed a knife and demanded to be taken to the safe. Ultimately, the suspect was frightened away by another employee entering the area. Robert E. Phipps (M/B, 02/15/79) was later arrested for this incident following a joint investigation linking Phipps to multiple violent incidents in the area.
09/20	1900 Londonderry Dr.	Arrested Person/Armed Robbery: Victim was walking home when he was confronted by 3 suspects. One of the suspects struck the victim in the head while a second suspect pointed a gun (later determined to be a pellet gun) at the victim and demanded money. Suspects fled on foot with cash from the victim. Officer investigation resulted in solid suspect leads which were pursued yielding the arrest of Monrico H. Franklin (M/W, 05/29/89) for the armed robbery as well as the identification of other juveniles involved in the incident.

Property Crimes – Graffiti:

Date	Location	Details
09/10	2222 E. Washington	Gang graffiti sprayed on exterior wall of East High
09/13	4700 Bunker Hill La.	Red markings – various letters – written on water tower
09/13	1113 N. Sherman Av.	Black letters sprayed on wall of business
09/24	400 Troy Dr.	Various profanities written on interior hallway walls
09/26	6000 N. Sherman Av.	Profanities and “420” sprayed in red paint on signs at Cherokee Marsh
09/30	1000 Havey Rd.	Letter “c” spray painted on vehicle windows and doors
09/30	2222 E. Washington	Tagging in spray paint on exterior walls of school

Person Crimes – Battery/D.C. Whiled Armed/Weapons Offense:

Date	Location	Details
09/13	2222 E. Washington Av.	Weapons Offense: A juvenile was arrested for Carrying a Concealed Weapon, Disorderly Conduct, and Dangerous Weapon Other than Firearm on School Grounds following a confrontation during which this juvenile threatened subjects with a knife.

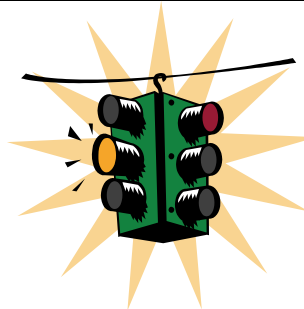
Property Crimes - Burglaries:

Date	Location	Type	Entry	Target/Stolen
09/02	3600 Packers Av.	Residential	None/ door lock tampered	Unknown
09/03	4000 Westport Rd.	Residential	Unlocked barn door	ATV ignition switch, wood box container
09/03	4200 Hanover St.	Residential	Pried door	Cash, iPod
09/03	1857 Northport Dr.	Commercial	Glass door shattered	Cash
09/03	4274 East Towne Blvd.	Commercial	Glass door shattered	Computers
09/05	1900 Spohn Av.	Residential	Open garage door	Bikes
09/05	1500 Troy Dr.	Residential	Chain lock broken	Nothing taken
09/06	2910 E. Washington Av.	Commercial	Drive-thru window	Cash
09/08	2300 Myrtle St.	Residential	Screen window	Unknown
09/08	2100 Packers Av.	Residential	Cut window screen	Arrested Persons: Jonathan L. Thompson (M/B, 03/24/88) and Antonio M. Thompson (M/B, 09/01/89) were later arrested for this incident.
09/09	2920 N. Sherman Av.	Commercial	Glass window shattered	Computer
09/13	89 East Towne Ml.	Commercial	Unknown	Shoes
09/16	1100 Graedel Ct.	Residential	Unknown	Cash
09/18	2803 Sherman Av.	Commercial	Glass door shattered	Cash
09/18	3550 Anderson St.	Commercial	Open classroom	Ceiling projector
09/19	200 N. Third St.	Residential	Unlocked door	X-box
09/22	2000 Elka La.	Residential	Pried door	X-box, DVD, safe
09/25	200 Mallard La.	Residential	Damage to door	Nothing taken
09/27	1500 Iowa Dr.	Residential	Rear door shattered	Safe with cash, jewelry, coins
09/28	5202 High Crossing Bl.	Commercial	Unknown	Coin boxes from arcade machines
09/30	2621 Anderson St.	Commercial	Open window	Nothing taken

Traffic Enforcement



Lieutenant Melissa Schiferl, Patrol Services 245-3653



The Traffic Enforcement Safety Team (TEST), the North/East Community Policing Team (CPT) as well as Patrol Officers did education and enforcement throughout the North District during the month of September. Some of the locations where that effort was concentrated:

DATE(S)	LOCATION
09/03,05,06/06	3000 E. Washington Ave.
09/08,19/06	Highway 30
09/06/06	4500 School Road
09/04/06	2100 Mifflin St.
09/01/06	2700 E. Washington Ave.
09/21/06	1400 Wright St.

While we are still officially in the “fall” season, it’s not too early to start thinking about winter and safe travel for the upcoming holiday seasons. Snow, ice, and extreme cold can make driving treacherous. These safety tips from CDC, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the National Safety Council can help make winter car travel safer.

- Before winter arrives, have your car tuned up, check the level of antifreeze, make sure the battery is good and check your tire tread or put on snow tires.
- Keep emergency gear in your car for everyday trips:
 - Cell phone
 - Flashlight
 - Jumper cables
 - Sand or kitty litter (for traction)
 - Ice scraper, snow brush, and small shovel
 - Blankets
 - Warning devices (e.g., flares, reflectors)
- For long car trips, keep food, water, extra blankets and required medication on hand.
- Avoid driving in snow or ice storms. If you must travel in bad weather, drive slowly. Let someone know what route you're taking and when you plan to arrive so they can alert authorities if you don't get there.
- If your car is parked outside, make sure the exhaust pipe and the area around it are free of snow before you start the car. Snow packed in or around the exhaust pipe can cause high levels of carbon monoxide in the car.
- Don't sit in a parked car with the engine running unless a window is open. Do not let your car run while parked in a garage.
- If your car stalls or gets stuck in snow, light two flares and place one at each end of the car, a safe distance away. Make sure snow has not blocked the exhaust pipe. Then stay in your vehicle and open a window slightly to let in fresh air. Wrap yourself in blankets and run your vehicle's heater for a few minutes every hour to keep warm.

STAY SAFE!!

From The North/East Community Policing Team (CPT)



Sergeant Chuck Weiss 266-5945

During the month of September in the North District the North/East CPT again focused on a number of activities. During the first part of the month much of our attention was on East High School. CPT officers assisted Officer Graham with issues occurring at the school and the neighborhood around East High School. Throughout the school year we will attempt to have a presence at the school at the end of the school day and at least once weekly throughout the school day.

Some of the issues CPT officers are dealing with around East High School are, crime related to students occurring in the area of the school, nuisance complaints involving students, truancy issues, non- East students loitering in the area and traffic problems. We will continue to work with neighborhood residents and school staff to address other issues as the come up.

We have given more attention on the Woodlands and Trinity Apts. and have made several arrests at those complexes. We continued our attention on North St. and the prostitution issues that still occasionally happen there. We have been working with NPO Greg Rossetti in dealing with problems occurring around the Mobil gas station at E. Washington Ave and Marquette St. Subjects involved with problems there are often also loitering in the E. Wash. and Oak St. area near the Taco bell.

We focused on some traffic initiatives in the 3000 block of E. Washington Ave.

On September 7th we assisted Detective Woodyly with a search warrant.

Dan McFarlane continues his work with the motels in the North District. Nora Adams has been doing a lot of follow-up on mentally ill subjects in the district. She has been putting out officer safety information, and information on handling these subjects as well.

We were out of the North and East Districts for all or part seven days. We assisted on Allied Dr. for five days and with the UW football games for two days. CPT officers also covered numerous Staffing Contingency days in September.

From The East High School Educational Resource Officer



Police Officer Lorie Graham 204-3678



East High School *September 2006* Incident Summary

HAPPY FALL!!! It's been a busy start to the school year but Purgolder Pride is High! The following is a summary of the highlights from the month.

Fights

On September 15th five students were cited for disorderly conduct for fighting. An ex-student drove past the school at lunchtime and almost struck two students. Another student witnessed this and became angry at the driver and threw his sandwich at the vehicle. The driver exited the vehicle and the two began fighting. Other students immediately became involved, but were separated by staff.

On September 22nd Officer Kinney responded to the school to investigate a fight between two female students. The school did not refer this case to police.

On September 22nd Officer Beatty was assisting with a disturbance investigation at the school when a male and female student began a physical fight outside. Security staff had to wrestle the students apart, officers continued to struggle with the male subject and he was subsequently arrested for bail jumping.

Weapons

On September 13th a student reported being threatened by another with a knife during a physical education class the day before. Two witnesses reported seeing the student with the knife. The suspect admitted to having the knife at school the day before. The knife was turned over to police by the parent. The student was arrested for DC while armed and Dangerous Weapon Other Than Firearm On School Property.

Drugs

On September 28th a student was cited for possession of marijuana in a public place. A student reported seeing the suspect with a knife. When the suspect was searched, he was in possession of the marijuana but no knife was located.

Misc.

October 2nd thru the 6th is Homecoming! A parade will be held on Thursday October 4th at 4pm beginning at Dickinson and Mifflin and ending at Breese Stevens for the powderpuff football game.

Officer Lorie Graham can be reached at 204-1673 or lgraham@cityofmadison.com so, please do not hesitate to make contact with any questions or concerns.

From The Northport/Kipling Dr. Neighborhood Officer



Police Officer Kelly Donahue 245-3679

The month of September remained very busy. Most notably, on 9/20, officers and myself arrested 7 people following an armed robbery investigation (06-114531). With the help of video surveillance cameras, we were able to identify 3 individuals involved in the robbery. Two of the individuals were arrested that night, and a third the following day as Detective Vicki Anderson conducted follow up. During the hours immediately following the robbery we contacted a number of other individual which resulted in the 4 other arrests. All had outstanding warrants including Burglary, Disorderly Conduct, Retail Theft and Non-support. One of the individuals was also charged with Obstructing for providing us with a false name in an attempt to avoid the outstanding warrants he had. We also received help from a Dane County Deputy, Keith Kelly, and his K-9 partner Indy. Deputy Kelly assisted us in a track of the individuals leading us to the area where one of the suspects was arrested. This required a lot of resources and was a great example of teamwork from patrol to the detective bureau, other district and other agencies. The case is now being work on by the District Attorney's office.

I have been pleased with the improvement in the Woodlands and Woodland Park's physical appearance from the outside. We continue to respond to a high number of calls for service in the neighborhoods. I recently attended a Northside Planning Council meeting to discuss concerns with area stakeholders. Hopefully as a community we can intervene in a positive way and engage those who live in the neighborhood to become involved in positive changes.



Police Officer Lori Chalecki 245-3678

With the elimination of the Truax/Straubel Neighborhood position in January of 2007, the process of phasing out of the neighborhood has begun and will continue through January. As a result, the time spent directly in the neighborhood has been limited and more concentrated with management to determine continued needs. This has been done so everyone from management to residents can determine how problems will be dealt with and what other resources are available to them. Through this process, the goal is that the neighborhood will become self sufficient without the constant presence of a police officer.

News for You...

Halloween Safety

With Halloween only a few weeks away, I thought I would remind everyone of a few safety tips to ensure your family's Halloween is a fun and safe event. We all know that Halloween is fun for kids, but can be a bit worrisome for parents.



Welcome trick-or-treaters by turning on your exterior lights. Remove any objects in your yard that may be a hazard to visitors. Drive slowly all evening, and watch carefully for creatures crossing your path.

Check that costumes are flame-retardant so little ones are not in danger around candle-lit jack-o-lanterns. Keep costumes short enough to prevent tripping or falling. Encourage kids to wear comfortable walking shoes for safety reasons. Try makeup instead of a mask so your child's vision will not be obstructed, and they can navigate stairs and cross streets safely. Make sure kids wear light colors or put reflective tape on their costumes and/or carry flashlights.

Make sure your kids go trick or treating with friends or an adult. Younger children should be accompanied by an adult. Set a time limit for children to go trick-or-treating. Map out a safe route so you know where they'll be and remind them not to take short cuts through backyards, alleys or playing fields. Remind kids never to enter a strange house or car, and to only trick or treat at houses with outdoor lights on.

Last but not least, remind kids not to eat treats while they are trick or treating. Require kids to bring treats home so they can be checked out in a well-lit location. Only eat unopened candies and treats in their original wrappers. Inspect fruit and homemade goodies for anything suspicious, or only eat such items only from neighbors you are familiar with. Have a Happy Halloween!

