



# 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](http://www.ci.madison.wi.us/police/north.html). You will also find prior newsletters posted at this site.

### North District Incident Summary -December 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 - Battery/DC/Weapons Offense/Recklessly Endangering Safety:**

Date	Location	Details
11/8	500 Northport Dr.	<b>Arrested Persons, Weapons Offense: John D. Robinson, M/B, 8/22/69, Antwan P. Windom, M/B, 3/3/84:</b> Citizens reported hearing gunshots. Responding officers located the apartment involved and suspects were arrested. Officers recovered the weapon used as well as drugs.
11/16	1601 N. Sherman Av. (Shabazz )	<b>Arrested Juvenile, Battery:</b> Female juvenile arrested after she cut another student with scissors.

Person Crimes - Robberies:

Date	Location	Details
11/17	2958 E. Washington Av. (Kentucky Fried Chicken)	<b>Strong Arm Robbery:</b> Suspect gave note to clerk, then ripped cash register from counter and fled with it. Male black suspect in his 40's.
12/2	1600 Rowland Av.	<b>Armed Robbery:</b> Dispute over dog led to suspect striking victim with a crescent wrench and taking money from his pocket. Suspect is acquaintance of victim.
12/10	2025 Shopko Dr. (Copps)	<b>Strong Arm Robbery:</b> Purse Snatching. No suspect info.
12/13	1423 Northport Dr. (Shell)	<b>Armed Robbery:</b> Suspect armed with handgun robbed clerk. Male black suspect in his 20's.
12/14	231 North St. (Milios)	<b>Armed Robbery:</b> Male white suspect robbed the clerk. No further information.

Property Crimes - Thefts/Burglaries:

Date	Location	Type	Entry	Target/Stolen
11/6	1700 Commercial Av.	Theft from Auto	Windows	Tools
11/16	10 N. Seventh St.	Theft from Auto	Open door	Tools <b>Arrested Person: Chad S. Walsvick, M/W, 10/2/79</b>
11/16	1900 Sheridan St.	Residential	Unknown	DVD's, Video Game
11/19	1500 Trailsway St.	Residential	Storage Locker	Weapons
11/22	200 North St.	Residential	Door kicked in	Computer, wallet
11/23	1500 Troy Dr.	Residential	Unlocked door	DVD Player, DVD's
11/24	5000 Autumn Leaf La.	Residential	Construction site	Extension cords, copper pipe
12/2	400 W. Village Green La.	Residential	Door pried	Jewelry, leather jackets
12/5	3600 Hovde Rd.	Residential	Broken window	Playstation 3
12/11	5000 Autumn Leaf La.	Residential	Construction site	Tools from trailer
12/11	1500 Troy Dr.	Residential	Pried door	No entry made.

Property Crimes - Graffiti:

Date	Location	Details
11/15	2100 E. Johnson St.	Graffiti spray painted on building and soda machines.
11/16	300 N. Third St.	"KNVCT" spray painted on building and garage door. <b>Arrested: Jacob L. Stark, M/W, 5/30/89 and John R. Broadnax, M/W, 4/8/89.</b>
11/17	2100 E. Johnson St.	Ongoing graffiti to bus shelter.
11/20	1500 Troy Dr.	Gang graffiti in apartment building hallway.
11/24-11/28	2920 N. Sherman Av. (Mallard Stadium)	Graffiti to signs and building.
11/22-11/27	601 N. Sixth St. (Demetral Field)	Graffiti sprayed on building, signs, and structures.
11/22-11/27	1201 Woodward Dr. (Warner Park)	Graffiti sprayed on boat launch bathroom building. (Same graffiti as at 601 N. Sixth St.)

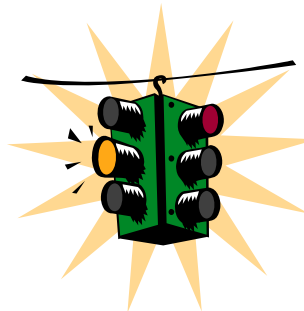
Of Note:

Date	Location	Details
11/9	2400 E. Washington Av.	<b>Arrested Person, Possession with Intent to Deliver, Parole Violation: Rudolph R. Jackson, M/B, 6/4/60.</b> Officers arrested Jackson subsequent to a drug investigation. Officers recovered a large quantity of crack cocaine and cash.
11/14	500 Oak St.	<b>Possible Enticement:</b> Female juveniles walking to school were approached by a male black subject driving a maroon mini van. The driver attempted to engage in conversation, but the juveniles ran away and reported this to their parents who called police.
12/11	1111 N. Sherman Av. (Cash Store)	<b>Arson Investigation:</b> Police and Fire Dept. responded to a possible structure fire. On arrival, Officers found what appeared to be the remnants of a molotov cocktail that was thrown through the window of the business.

North District Traffic Enforcement



Lieutenant Melissa Schiferl, Patrol Services 245-3653



At neighborhood meetings, through our website, and in general contact with citizens, traffic continues to be the most common concern citizens of Madison voice to our department. A quick look at some State of Wisconsin crash facts compiled by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation confirms that these concerns are valid and traffic safety deserves to be a priority for our department.

- In 2005, 60 billion vehicle miles were driven in Wisconsin.
- One traffic crash occurs in Wisconsin every 4.2 minutes.
- One injury or fatality traffic crash occurs in Wisconsin every 13.8 minutes.
- One person is killed in a traffic crash in Wisconsin every 10.9 hours.
- One person killed or injured in a speed related crash in Wisconsin every 45.2 minutes.
- One person is injured or killed in an alcohol related crash in Wisconsin every 83.1 minutes.

( <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/safety/motorist/crashfacts/docs/crashfacts.pdf> )

Looking at these numbers, and considering that there are over 1,000,000 more registered vehicles on the road in Wisconsin than there were only 10 years ago, there is little doubt that we will continue to make traffic enforcement a priority in our city.

The department's Traffic Enforcement Safety Team (T.E.S.T.), the North-East Community Policing Teams (CPT), and North District patrol officers will continue to enforce traffic laws in and around the North District in 2007. We will be paying particular attention to those streets, highways and intersections that have shown high crash rates in the past in an effort to reduce the number of crashes resulting in property damage, injuries and fatalities in those areas.

As of January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007, I will report to my new position downtown as late night Officer-In-Charge. Effective that day, Lt Brian Ackeret will be the new Lieutenant for patrol operations at the North District. I would like to wish all of you warmest wishes and a very safe Holiday Season!

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**From The North/East Community Policing Team (CPT)**

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Sergeant Chuck Weiss 266-5945

During the Month of November and the first half of December the North/East CPT was again involved in numerous activities in the North District. At the end of November we began operation "Holiday Presence" in the East Towne Mall area. This is the third year that we have conducted this initiative. The idea for this operation came from Officer Kraig Knutson, who started it in 2004. Officer Scott Beckfield, with input from Officer Pete Baio (who patrols the East Towne area on second shift), have brought the operation to its current status.

As part of this operation on most work days several members of the North/East CPT spend at least part of their shift working in the East Towne Mall area. Activities include foot patrol in the mall handling calls for service there, patrol business parking lots, traffic enforcement and education, and plain clothes operations looking for criminal activity.

Two prostitution operations were conducted in the North St area. Eleven men were arrested attempting to pick up prostitutes and several prostitutes were arrested. On both of these operations we were assisted by the Central CPT. Officer Corcoran assisted Officer Chalecki with surveillance at suspected locations of prostitution and drug activity.

We were involved in numerous drug investigations. A knock and talk on Moland St resulted in the arrest of the resident on a warrant and the recovery of drug paraphernalia. Arrests were made for possession with intent to deliver crack cocaine on a traffic stop on Commercial Ave. During a traffic stop in the parking lot at PDQ on Northport, two individuals were arrested for possession of cocaine base. During this stop officers observed a wanted person in the lot who was also arrested and found to be in the possession of several rocks of cocaine base. This subject was also arrested for possession with intent to deliver. There were also additional charges of resisting arrest. Two of the three subjects began actively resisting when they were being taken into custody. Individuals not directly involved in the incident began moving in on the three officers making the arrests and numerous other officers responded to assist. One officer received a minor injury.

Officers also assisted patrol by working staffing contingency days. During our normal shifts we assisted patrol on numerous calls. This included everything from accidents and check areas, to bank robberies and a stabbing.

We again spent several days assisting with activities at and around East High School. Officer Nora Adams assisted with a CPR class given for the senior coalition at Warner Park. Other activities included traffic enforcement and assisting the Central and South Districts on November 18<sup>th</sup>, which was the last UW home football game this season. In addition to these activities we were involved in similar activities in the East District.

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**From The East High School Educational Resource Officer**

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Police Officer Lorie Graham 204-3678



### **East High School Incident Summary**

Now that first quarter teacher conferences and the Thanksgiving holiday have passed and we are looking forward to Winter Break beginning December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Historically, the last day before the break has been a bit hectic and we are taking extra measures to ensure a safe and festive day.

This month Officer Graham was promoted to Investigator so Principals Richard Rogness and Alan Harris worked with MPD Captain Richard Bach and Lieutenant Melissa Schiferl to find a replacement. After interviewing six candidates, Officer Pat Green was chosen. We look forward to welcoming Officer Green to the East High School Team in January!

#### **CALLS FOR SERVICE:**

On November 2, Officer Graham cited a student for resisting who was “playing” with another student. This playing was perceived to be escalating and when the officer stepped in, the student resisted.

On November 3, the school was evacuated to Emerson school due to a bomb threat found in the boys’ locker room bathroom.

On November 4, two ex-students were cited for unauthorized presence on school property because they were in the building.

On November 6, a student was cited for underage person consuming alcohol off licensed premises. A teacher noted an odor of intoxicants on the student’s breath and referred her to the principal’s office.

On November 7, the school was evacuated to Demetral Field due to a bomb threat written in a girls’ bathroom.

On November 14, a written note bomb threat was found in a boys’ bathroom, but because of the information in the note, the school was not evacuated.

On November 30, three students were caught in the bathroom by a staff member conducting, what appeared to be a drug transaction. One of the boys threw a box of marijuana cigars into the trash and another student had additional marijuana with them. The student was cited for casual possession of marijuana in a public place prohibited.

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

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**From The Northport/Kipling Dr. Neighborhood Officer**

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Police Officer Kelly Donahue 245-3679

No calls of great significance this month. We continue to be very busy responding to calls for service. The Northport Apartments and Packer Townhouses continue to maintain themselves with little assistance. Kipling Drive and surrounding area are also doing well from a police perspective. I appreciate the time and effort of those living in the neighborhood who choose to get involved and active in their neighborhood. It truly is a community effort.

The Woodlands and Woodland Park continue to generate a fair number of calls for service. We continue to work with management to try to ease the demand on police services to those areas. We also met with the Mayors office and other members the Neighborhood Resource Team again, to work on a team approach to some of the issues in these complexes. I have seen a lot of maintenance going on in both complexes, and hopefully change is underway.

If you are traveling this holiday season, please wear your seat belt and watch your speed. Please watch over the homes of anyone that you know is not home, and call if you see suspicious behavior. Looking forward to a great New Year on the Northside.

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**From The Truax/Straubel St. Neighborhood Officer**

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Police Officer Lori Chalecki 245-3678

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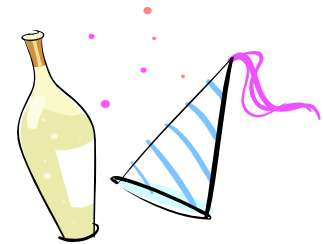
Congratulations to the East Housing Management Office in the Truax Neighborhood as they were recently recognized by the Apartment Association of Wisconsin as the 2006 Property Management Team of the Year. The Team includes June Garvin - CDA Housing Manager, Larry Hamlin - Resident Services Representative, Janet Corcoran - Office Manager, Andrea Potter - East Madison Community Center Program Director, Tom Moen - EMCC Director, and John Harmelink - EMCC Youth Director.

Madison Police Officer Steven Chvala has selected a 2007 assignment to the North/East Community Policing Team and has been chosen as the Neighborhood Liaison Officer for the Truax Neighborhood. Steve is an eight year veteran of the Department and has worked the past several years as a Patrol Officer in the North District. Officer Chvala will be cross training with Neighborhood Officer Lori Chalecki prior to assuming his Community Policing Team assignment on 01/14/2007. You can meet Officer Chvala at the Truax neighborhood Association meeting on 01/08/2007 at 6:00pm at the East Madison Community Center.

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**From One of Our Own...**

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***Another all-too-familiar accident...***

A few years ago I was dispatched to a hit and run accident. I was on scene perhaps 2 minutes later and found an off-duty officer already on scene speaking with the occupants of a severely damaged vehicle. I remember a woman in the passenger seat, obviously injured, and a young child in the back seat crying. He wasn't screaming, and didn't sound like he was in much pain, but he was crying.

Other Officers and the Fire Department arrived on scene, we did our jobs, and eventually made ourselves available for other calls, just like we do on an all-too-familiar basis. It wasn't until a few hours later that I heard from other responding officers that the young crying child, who had been transported to the hospital, had died a short time later. The driver of the other vehicle was caught and arrested. He was drunk.

According to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, alcohol is involved in more than 1/3 of all fatal traffic crashes in the state, making alcohol-related traffic deaths the single largest component of all Wisconsin traffic fatalities. Throughout the year, the City of Madison Police Department urges you to plan ahead if you are going to drink, and designate a driver. If only this one drunk driver would have done so, there would have been one more happy 2<sup>nd</sup> grader opening presents this year.

**Please remember to drink responsibly and don't drink and drive!**