



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 -January 2007



Lieutenant Kristen Roman, Detective Services 245-3654

Note: Below are incidents which have been selected for inclusion in this months 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
01/04	2801 N. Sherman Av. Box Office Video	Armed Robbery: Suspect approached the clerk, passed a note demanding money and threatened a weapon though no weapon was seen. Suspect fled the area on a bicycle. Suspect was described as a M/W, 45-60 yrs. old, 5'8"/180, wearing a black winter hat, down jacket and jeans.
01/06	2618 E. Washington Av. Tobacco Outlet	Attempted Armed Robbery: Suspect approached the business owner at the counter, demanded money and threatened to have a weapon, though no weapon was displayed. The victim was not convinced the suspect had a weapon and as the suspect reached over the counter toward the register, the victim grabbed hold of the suspect and attempted to strike him. The suspect broke free and fled from the store. Suspect described as a M/W, over 50 yrs. old, wearing a black coat, black hat, and jeans.
01/28	Packers Av. / Scott Ln.	Strong Arm Robbery: Victim was walking to the bus stop and was approached from behind and forced to the ground. The suspect reached into the victim's purse and removed cash from her wallet, then fled on foot in an unknown direction. Suspect described as a M/B, 30-40 yrs. old, 5'6", wearing a black jacket, black jeans, and a ski mask.

Person Crimes - Recklessly Endangering Safety:

Date	Location	Details
01/02	1900 Londonderry Dr.	Arrested Person/Recklessly Endangering Safety 2nd Degree: Robert L. Crapp (M/W, 10/18/63) was arrested for 2 nd Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety, Criminal Damage to Property, Disorderly Conduct, and Intimidation of a Victim, following an incident during which he threatened the victim with a knife.
01/12	3578 E. Washington Av.	Recklessly Endangering Safety: Officers responded to a disturbance involving possible injured persons. Upon arrival, officers located a victim who appeared to have been stabbed and who was later transported to a local hospital for treatment. Interviews at the scene led to a possible suspect in the incident, which is currently still under investigation.

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

Date	Location	Details
01/06	1625 N. Stoughton Rd.	Weapons Offense: Terryon J. Carter (M/B, 08/10/82) was arrested for Felon in Possession of Firearm, Possession of Cocaine Base with Intent to Deliver, Possession of Stolen Property, and Carrying a Concealed Weapon following a traffic stop by Officer Rene Gonzalez during which weapons and drugs were recovered from the vehicle.
01/19	North Transfer Point	Battery: A Madison Metro bus driver was battered by a passenger described as a M/B, 17 yrs. old, 6'/190. This incident remains under investigation.
01/24	2121 East Springs Dr.	Weapons Offense: Officers responded to a report of a man with a gun in the lot of Bowl-a-Vard. Witnesses provided information to responding officers that an argument had occurred in the parking lot between several subjects, one of whom was seen to retrieve a handgun from his vehicle. The suspect was described as a M/W, 5'5"/130, with brown hair. No clothing description was provided. Case currently under investigation.

Property Crimes - Burglaries:

Date	Location	Type	Entry	Target/Stolen
01/05	3200 Clove Dr.	Residential	Rear patio door	Nothing taken
01/06	20 block Clarendon Ct.	Residential	Garage door broken	Cash, beer
01/07	100 Kennedy Heights	Residential	Door kicked in	CD's, DVD's, misc.
01/08	1900 Huxley St.	Residential	Deadbolt door defeated	Nothing taken
01/11	5056 Autumn Leaf Ln.	Commercial	Construction site	Misc. tools
01/09	2600 E. Johnson St.	Residential	Storage locker	Bike
01/13	2526 E. Washington Av.	Commercial	Door kicked in	TV, CD's, misc.
01/14	4300 Melody Ln.	Residential	Underground parking garage door	Car stereo systems
01/15	79 East Towne Mall	Commercial	Gate pried	Cash
01/16	2500 E. Mifflin St.	Residential	Window	Laptop
01/27	2450 E. Washington Av.	Commercial	Skylight	Moped/recovered
01/28	2849 E. Washington Av.	Commercial	Entry attempted, not gained	N/A

Property Crimes - Possession of Stolen Property

Date	Location	Details
01/21	1726 Eagan Rd. (Princeton Club)	2 male juveniles were arrested for possession of stolen property following an investigation into property stolen from patrons at the Princeton Club.
01/04	2102 East Springs Dr. (Menards)	Andreas B. Enke (M/W, 03/20/75) was arrested for possession of stolen property when he attempted to return windows to Menards that were determined to have been stolen from Apex Property Management Company.

North District Patrol Operations & Traffic Enforcement



Lieutenant Brian Ackeret, Patrol Services 245-3653



I come to the North District with the assignment as a Lieutenant of Patrol Operations. Patrol Operations involves the uniformed officers serving the North District and includes five sergeants and 31 patrol officers working three different shifts, the Northport Corridor neighborhood officer, the East High School education resource officer, a traffic enforcement safety team liaison officer and the Community Policing Team officers working the north and east districts.

I have a connection to this area as I began my career as a patrol officer working the night shift in the north district for several years, and have previously been a resident of the North side for fifteen years. My experience in the Madison

Police Department includes working in patrol as an officer and supervisor, working as a neighborhood officer on Langdon St, and working as a supervisor in the Dane County Narcotics Task Force for seven years. My experience as a neighborhood officer has left me with a commitment to Community Policing and a focus on customer service. I am looking forward to working with residents, businesses, landlords, neighborhood associations, other City Agencies and other stakeholders committed to improving the North District.

The Madison Police Department and the North District will continue to make traffic enforcement a high priority. We are committed to respond to traffic complaints of speeding and other driving violations as well as analyzing traffic crash data in order address traffic safety issues.

From The North/East Community Policing Team (CPT)



Sergeant Chuck Weiss 266-5945

2007 brings two new officers to the North/East CPT. Officers Tom Finnegan and Steve Chvala joined the team on January 15th. Tom has been a member of the MPD for over 10 years. He has spent 6 years assigned to the North District. Tom is an active member of the Emergency Response Team.

Steve has been a member of the MPD for 8 years. He has been assigned to the North District for 5 years. Steve is the Truax Neighborhood Liaison Officer. In this position he will spend a portion of his work week in the Truax Neighborhood.

With the start of the new year we have continued to focus extra attention along E. Washington Ave between Marquette St and North St. Investigations starting in this area have resulted in individuals charged with Possession With Intent To Deliver Cocaine Base, Possession of Marijuana, Possession With Intent To Deliver Imitation Drugs, Felony Bail Jumping, Probation and Parole Holds, Unlawful Trespass, Operating After Revocation and other traffic charges.

With the recent rash of burglaries CPT members have adjusted work hours on select nights to look for suspects. One subject was arrested for burglary after team members observed him inside a closed business.

Several team members worked with NPO Kelly Donahue and several officers from patrol on a special project in the Woodland Park Neighborhood. This project was very successful resulting in the arrests in a number of people on warrants and drug related charges.

CPT officers cited a bartender for serving underage people at a North side bar. The two underage people that were served were 17 and 19 years of age. They were both also charged with alcohol related offenses and one had an additional charge of Casual Possession of Marijuana.

The warmer weather in January brought an increase in vehicular traffic on East Washington Ave on Friday and Saturday nights. Therefore, there was an increase in the amount of racing and other reckless driving observed. We will be targeting this type of dangerous behavior again this year.



Police Officer Pat Green 204-1673



As I settle into the school on my first few weeks I would like to express my appreciation for the confidence Principal Harris, Principal Rogness, and the North District Command Staff have shown in selecting me as their the next ERO at East High School. I have found that both the school personnel and students are very fond of Officer Graham's professionalism she used in her interactions during at the school. Office Graham's positive relationship with the school has made my transition into the school much easier. The promotion of Officer Lorie Graham to Investigator has given me the opportunity to, once again, work in a school setting. I have worked as an ERO for grades K-12 in the Monroe School District in Green County, WI and I have filled in for the ERO at both Memorial and West High Schools. I look forward to having a positive educational relationship with the staff, students and surrounding community during my tenure at East.

Based on my past experience in schools, I am impressed with the relationship East High School staff and administration has with the students. I am also noticing comments by the staff regarding how well the student behavior is at athletic events. I notice this positive interaction is consistent on a daily basis and believe this trend will continue.

- January 16- **Habitual Truancy.** The school requested a student be cited for Habitual Truancy.
- January 16- **Liquor Law Violation.** A student was cited for Underage Person Possess/Consume Off Licensed Premises after a teacher found the student sleeping in class. The student was released to a parent.
- January 19- **Weapons Violation.** A student was cited for being in possession of two knives on school property.
- January 22- **Bomb Threat.** A student was arrested for making a Bomb Treat against the school.
- January 23- **Bomb Threat.** A Bomb Treat was written on a hallway wall. No suspects at this time.
- January 24- **Bomb Threat.** A Bomb Threat was written on a bathroom wall. No suspects at this time.
 Disturbance. Two students were cited for disorderly conduct in reference to a fight on school property.
- Trespassing.** A former student, currently expelled, was cited for Trespassing after being located at the location of the above disturbance.
- January 26- **Battery.** A student was arrested for Battery after punching another student.



Police Officer Kelly Donahue 245-3679

Normally, this is the time of the year when officers can breathe a sigh of relief and calls for service tend to slow down. This year, however, there doesn't seem to be a slowing of calls for service. Beat officers, the North/East CPT, DCNGTF and I have had a very busy month in my neighborhood and the surrounding area.

A search warrant was conducted at 2002 Scott Lane where drugs and money were recovered. A Task Force Officer was doing some follow up, when she encountered a wanted person. This led to the search warrant and seizure. A drug abatement letter was sent to the landlord. The landlord contacted police and was cooperative and willing to work with us to improve the neighborhood.

Task Force also conducted a search warrant at 1518 Troy Dr. This led to the seizure of drugs, money, and a loaded handgun. I was invited to assist on the search warrant which was written after an investigation by a Task Force detective. A drug abatement letter was sent to the landlord.

Officers and I were sent to a domestic at 529 Northport Dr. This led to a drug investigation where a marijuana grow operation was located in a bedroom closet. The male residing at this apartment was charged with the drug offenses as well as numerous domestic charges. Although the suspect fled prior to our arrival, he was later spotted in the neighborhood by an astute officer. This led to a foot pursuit and the suspect was captured near Morrow Ct. He now has bail conditions, which were given to him at his trial, prohibiting him from being in the area.

PO Katie Adler was patrolling the 500 block of Northport Dr, when she saw a possible wanted person operating a vehicle in the lot. Officer Adler contacted the male who then fled from her. After a long foot pursuit, the suspect was taken into custody with the help of Detective J. Grann. A long story short, a K9 assisted and drugs were recovered from the area where the suspect ran. Later, more drugs, a gun and cash were recovered.

We continue to gather information and work on leads that we receive from citizens. It truly is a community effort to make a neighborhood safe and enjoyable. Stay warm!



CSI Madison: The Forensic Services Unit (City of Madison Police Department)

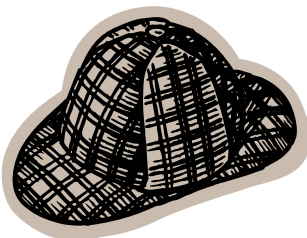
Snow prints, tread wear, footwear impressions ...the path of the crime scene remains. During this winter season our unit based of 11 investigators respond to requests of evidence left behind in the snow. The crimes vary but all have a common thread. Humans move in an upright manner, and looking down we can find another way to identify.

Each print has the potential to show a brand, size, wear pattern, trace evidence and movement or direction of the suspect. We like to see Police Officers checking downward as the incidents of burglaries and robberies increase. Wouldn't it be the catch to have a Wisconsin State Crime lab specialist certified in footwear impression analysis place the print at the scene of a crime?

Remember, not only snow can leave prints but mud, dirt, sand and even ceramic tile can be processed for footwear impressions. We have the means to lift, cast and photograph those prints. One-step forward... Looking down!



Detective Corner



SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION COMPLIANCE

There are some basic steps we as citizens can take to assist the WI Corrections Dept with monitoring subjects who are listed as being on the lifetime Sex Offender Registry Program (SORP). These subjects are more commonly known to most of us as **Registered Sex Offenders**.

All **Registered Sex Offenders** in our state are REQUIRED by law to notify the State of WI Sex Offender Registry Program (SORP) of the following information:

1. Any Change of Address
2. Any Change of Job

This means the only requirement or restriction the State imposes on a registered sex offender is that they **MUST** notify the State of WI Sex Offender Registry unit of any change of address or job for the rest of their

lives. Needless to say, that does not always happen, and many Registered Sex Offenders consequently fall off the radar and can end up in your neighborhood without any law enforcement authority or beat cop knowing about it.

What you also need to know is that Registered Sex Offenders are NOT assigned to a Probation or Parole Agent for supervision unless they are still on Probation or Parole status. That means once a Registered Sex Offender has served all their time in prison, and all their time under court ordered probation or parole supervision, there is NO ONE out there monitoring their behavior except their neighbors and co-workers.

Unfortunately, there are only 10 SORP staff persons responsible for monitoring thousands of lifetime registered sex offenders in our state. They simply do not have the personnel or resources to track down all the registered sex offenders in WI to find out if they are still living or working where they last said they were.

The Sex Offender Registry Program is meaningless without the help of citizens and local beat officers who have contact with and can help monitor sex offenders in their neighborhood. Police officers who become aware of registered sex offenders in their beats will try to monitor their activities, however, without the help of neighbors and co-workers notifying us of a sex offender who has moved or changed jobs, we will likely never know.

Currently, there are thousands of Registered Sex Offenders who have failed to comply with the registration requirements and have moved or changed jobs in order to avoid any kind of oversight or monitoring of their activities. This allows them to live more secret lives and potentially find new victims on which to perpetrate.

If you want to know if you live or work near a Registered Sex Offender, simply log onto the Internet and access the SORP public website: widocoffenders.org. This is the WI Dept of Corrections Sex Offender web site. You can enter a person's last name or zip code and pull up the information you need to know.

If you discover there is a registered sex offender living in your neighborhood, you should let police or the SORP unit know if that person ever moves or changes jobs, or if you notice any other suspicious behavior. Likewise, if you look up a sex offender on the web site and you know they are no longer living at the address they listed on the Registry, it is imperative that you notify police or the WI SORP unit to report the transgression.

You can report tips by either clicking on the 'safe tip line' under the WI DOC Offender web site, widocoffenders.org and email your tip to the Registry directly, or you can do so by calling the Registry's toll free number **800-394-2403** to report the information. Your information will be treated confidentially.

Unfortunately, there are no rules that prohibit a Registered Sex Offender from having contact with children, but if you see an offender making an unusual effort to talk to children in the neighborhood, please notify police. Any information you provide to police will assist law enforcement with monitoring Wisconsin's thousands of registered sex offenders. The information can be treated confidentially, documented, and also routed to the SORP unit. The SORP unit will crosscheck the information you provide against what the sex offender has reported to the Registry.

Registered Sex Offenders who fail to comply with the rules to notify SORP of any change of address or job, can be immediately arrested for a violation of **WI State Statute 301.45 (6)(a)**. By reporting infractions in the subject's current address and job that you are aware of, you will be providing the SORP Registry staff and law enforcement with the tools they need to effectively monitor and arrest those who are in violation of WI Sex Offender Registry Program rules.



Many of you have likely seen media reports about a in the way the Madison Police Department responds to intrusion alarms. As background, most intrusion alarms are comprised of sensors that can detect when a door is opened, when a window is broken, or when movement happens in an area. When an alarm is activated, an alert appears in a monitoring center – usually in another state – run by the alarm company. The alarm company then calls the local authorities who respond to the alarm. These mechanically activated alarms are different from “panic” or “hold-up” alarms, which are manually activated by a person. The alarm companies charge their customers for the alarm’s installation and a monthly monitoring fee.



MPD officers respond to thousands of mechanically activated alarms every year. Unfortunately, the vast majority (probably more than 98%) are false; meaning that no crime is occurring and that something else (a faulty alarm, wind/weather, human error, etc.) has caused the alarm to activate. This creates a huge drain on our limited police resources while benefiting the alarm companies (who essentially make money by selling a police response). Many cities across the country have confronted this issue, using a variety of strategies. One approach is known as verified response. This means that alarm/security companies must respond to their own alarm activations; if they verify that a problem – such as a burglary – exists, then police will respond. A version of this verified response model was implemented by the Madison Police Department as of January 1, 2007. Highlights of the plan:

- Madison Police will no longer respond to mechanically activated **commercial** alarms unless verification that a problem may exist has been received by MPD. There is no expectation that a citizen will be asked to enter a potential crime scene. Any observation that leads a reasonable person to believe that a crime may be in progress or may have already taken place will suffice. Police will be dispatched following this verification. Please note, the verified response ordinance as written does not prohibit the use of audio/video monitoring for the purposes of verification. In other words, video and audio monitoring which can be reproduced and turned over to the police that “verifies” a point of entry, actual intruder, or other serious incident will be recognized as verification for purposes of this ordinance.
- Madison Police Officers will continue to respond to **residential** burglary alarms as they currently do. Residential alarms account for approximately 12 % of all City Of Madison false alarms. Our response to these calls will remain as they were prior to adoption of the verified response model.
- Madison Police Officers will also continue to respond to manually activated alarms (such as bank “hold up” alarms and “panic” alarms) as they currently do.
- Madison Police will implement a “broadcast and file” protocol. This means that when a mechanically activated commercial burglar alarm is received by the 911 Center, the information will be broadcast to officers working in the vicinity of the address where the alarm occurred. This is information for district officers, with no expectation that a police response will occur. Officers may elect to respond if they are available. Their decision to respond is generally based on the totality of circumstances involved with the broadcast.

It is anticipated that adoption of the Verified Response model will greatly reduce the time officers have spent responding to false alarms, freeing them up to respond to other calls.