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A Message from Chief Knight

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Target is deeply committed to actively supporting law enforcement and criminal justice agencies to build stronger, safer, more vibrant communities across our nation. They demonstrate this every day, week, and month of the year.

Via the "Target and Blue" Equipment Donation Program – a Minnesota pilot program – gently used equipment like desktop computers, laptops, scanners, printers, etc. are provided to agencies, at no cost.

The Chaska Police Department has benefited in the past from Target's generosity. And, just this week we were awarded four laptop computers. This equipment will serve us very well. We can now fill a big operational need, for which – especially in these times – budget resources are thin.

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National Stalking Awareness Month

January is "National Stalking Awareness Month". The crime and terror of "stalking" is not new; however, many are not aware of the strong correlation between domestic violence and stalking. For more information go to:

www.stalkingawareness.org

"Fast \$50"

Recently the Chaska Middle Schools, Chaska Community Center, and the Brandondale area had graffiti painted on signs and exterior walls. CPD School Resource Officer Julie Janke solved these crimes, and has referred the offending juveniles to court.

A major "help" in breaking the case was the in-school announcement of the "Fast \$50" payable to anyone who could provide information leading to the identity of the suspect(s).

If you or your organization would like help us solve crime, please consider making a contribution to the Chaska Police Department "Fast \$50" Fund. Each time we have a success story; I will personally let you know the details (as allowed by law), and we would also be happy to address your group or organization.

If you have any questions, please call me – Chief Knight – at: 952.448.4200, or contact me via e-mail: sknight@chaskamn.com.





Around the Clock -Sgt. Ben Anderson

Chaska Officers issued 38 citations and 25 warnings during this reporting period

DWI:

Officer Reinhardt stopped a vehicle on Hwy 41, after observing numerous traffic violations. The female driver was intoxicated and was arrested for DWI. A partial 12 pack of beer was found in the vehicle. She was charged with DWI and minor possession of alcohol. A female passenger was also cited for minor possession and minor consumption of alcohol.



Police received a report of a possible impaired driver in the area of Hwy 41 and Pioneer Trail. Officer Personius located the suspect vehicle and observed it spinout into a road median. Officer Personius stopped the vehicle and arrested the male driver for DWI. The driver was placed in a detox facility.

Disturbances:

Six parked vehicles were broken into at an apartment complex on Engler Blvd. The windows were shattered and items were missing from inside the vehicles. Investigation continues.

A woman reported an assault by her boyfriend, who kicked and slapped her, during an argument at their residence. The boyfriend was located and arrested a short time later. He was charged with domestic assault and 5th degree assault.

Officers responded to a residence on White Oak Drive, after receiving a complaint referencing a juvenile drinking party. Five juveniles were cited for minor consumption of alcohol. One juvenile was cited for violating the social host ordinance.

A man became involved in an argument with family members. During the disagreement, he used a knife to intimidate them. Officers arrived and arrested the man for 2nd degree assault and domestic assault.

Police responded to an unknown disturbance complaint at a residence on Village Road. Officers located the male who was causing the disturbance in his residence. The male was intoxicated and had thrown items in his home, causing damage. He also threw a computer through a glass window. When questioned by police, he provided a false name and date of birth. Officers learned he had an active arrest warrant and took him into custody. He was transported to jail. While at the jail, a ten-dollar bill was found in his pocket. The bill was coated with a white substance, which tested positive for cocaine. The offender was charged with possessing a 5th degree substance and providing a false name and DOB.

Notables:

Perhaps they should watch a tennis match instead...



Two male friends were drinking and watching a football game in a bar. They began arguing over the game and began pushing each other. One male punched the other in the head, causing him to fall. He ran from the bar when he learned the police had been called, leaving his victim friend. Officers arrived and spoke to the victim, who stated he simply slipped and hit his head while drinking at the bar. He changed his story after officers spoke to witnesses and stated he had been arguing with his friend, but does not remember being hit. He continued by stating the current month was November, and he was certain because it was only a few days before Thanksgiving (actually, it was December and only a few days before Christmas). He was transported to a hospital for treatment for a possible concussion. The male offender was located a short time later and admitted to hitting his friend after arguing over the game. He was cited for 5th degree assault – otherwise known in the NFL as “Unnecessary Roughness”.

A little assistance from Old Man Winter...

Officers responded to a prowler complaint in downtown Chaska. The reporting party told police a male had attempted to enter a garage and vehicle, then ran from the area. Freshly fallen snow enabled the police to easily track the male suspect. They made contact with him a short time later as he walked along Stoughton Avenue. The male denied attempting to enter any garage or vehicle. He quickly changed his story, when the officers directed his attention to the to the obvious clue on the ground, being his shoeprints in the snow. He admitted to entering two parked vehicles and attempting to enter a garage, in an attempt to steal money. He was arrested and charged with attempted 1st degree burglary and tampering with a motor vehicle.



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-Det. Sgt. Jon Kehrberg



Alcohol Server Awareness Training

The Savage Police Department will be hosting Server Awareness Training offered by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety. Owners and employees of Chaska businesses involved in the sale of alcoholic beverages, both on-sale and off-sale, are invited to attend. This training covers a wide range of legal issues related to the serving and sale of alcohol and attendees will be provided with Verification of Attendance Certificate by the State of Minnesota.

The Server Awareness Training is being offered:

- 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on January 28, 2009.
- 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM on January 29, 2009.
- 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM on January 29, 2009.

All classes will be held at the Savage Police Department, 6000 McColl Drive, Savage MN. Interested people should contact Detective Jeff Appel, Savage Police Department, 952-882-2623.

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