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A Message from Chief Knight

National Aboriginal Gang Conference Edmonton, Alberta – Canada



School Resource Officers/Gang Experts Mike Kleber and Trent Wurtz were asked to share their knowledge with our Canadian neighbors, in Edmonton, on May 27th and 28th. Trent and Mike were requested to give presentations on "Law Enforcement's Changing Role in Aboriginal Gang Prevention and Gang Awareness", and "How to Build a Gang Unit for Smaller Communities and Police Agencies". Their audience was made up of law enforcement officials, corrections officers, school administrators/staff/faculty, civic organizations and a wide cross section of the community.

"These officers – Trent and Mike – have developed a reputation and level of respect that has grown locally, across Minnesota, nationally, and now internationally", said Chief Scott Knight. "We are very fortunate to have their expertise at our "finger tips", and our community and schools are, without question, safer because of their work", Knight emphasized.

Canadian authorities, and conference planners paid all expenses related to bringing Mike and Trent to Edmonton.

Five-Year Anniversary



Detective Rachel Nelson recently marked her fifth year as CPD's certified Drug Recognition Expert (DRE). Rachel – who graduated at the top of her certification class in 2004 – assists in the investigation of incidents wherein persons are suspected to be under the influence of substances other than, or in addition to alcohol.

Rachel's expertise is not restricted to DWI scenarios. She has assisted officers in the Chaska schools, and in various criminal investigations. Her training allows her to determine if drugs, alcohol, or other chemicals are the cause of the subject's impairment. And, then classify the substance used; e.g., stimulant, depressant, narcotic, hallucinogen, inhalant, dissociative anesthetic, and/or cannabis.

PGA Championship News

<http://wcco.com/sports/pga.championship.hazeltine.2.1027405.html>



Around the Clock
-Sgt. Ben Anderson

Chaska Officers issued 49 citations and 29 warnings during this reporting period

DWI:

Police received a report of a woman sleeping in the driver's seat of her vehicle, which was parked in a gas station parking lot. Store employees saw her drive in the lot a short time prior to contacting the police. Officers were able to wake the woman. She was obviously intoxicated and thought she was in the state of Georgia. She was arrested for DWI.



Disturbances:

A male was driving at high rates of speed in the Chaska Community Center lot and the surrounding public roads. Police located the male a short time later. He was charged with careless driving.

While arguing at their residence, a man grabbed and pushed his girlfriend. He was arrested and charged with domestic assault.

Officers responded to a bar parking lot for a damage to property complaint. A parked moped had accidentally tipped over and struck a parked vehicle, causing damage. Officers observed the moped owner watching them from a distance outside the bar. He then ran from the officers when they approached him to talk about the incident. They stopped him a short time later and asked him why he was running. The man stated he did not know they were police officers (even though they were in uniform) and thought it was someone he owed money to. He continued by stating all he wanted to do was to go buy a fishing license so he could go fishing. He was charged with fleeing police officers on foot and released.



A woman backed her vehicle into another parked vehicle as she was leaving a coffee shop parking lot. She drove away without attempting to contact the owner of the other vehicle. Witnesses reported her license plate to the police, who located her a short time later. She was cited for property damage hit and run.

While riding his bicycle, a man failed to stop for a stop sign on Oak Street and struck a moving vehicle. Paramedics responded and examined the man for any serious injury. He was not transported to a hospital.

Notable:

Two for One...

A male called 9-1-1 from his residence and reported he and his friend observed a gun being fired from a vehicle in the area of Von Herten Circle. By chance, an officer happened to be in that exact area on an unrelated matter when the gunshot was reported. The officer never heard any noises, certainly not gunshots. The officer quickly searched the area and could not find any car or evidence to support the report. The officer then drove to the reporting male's residence and discovered no one was home, so the officer talked to him via the phone. The male stated he and his male friend were now at the Super America station on Hundertmark Road, waiting to talk with the police. However, the calling officer knew this was not true as the officer was already in that parking lot and no other vehicles were

present. The male friend then took the phone and acted as if he was an Super America employee and was currently working at the store. The officer finally called them on the lie and they admitted they were not at the store, nor employed there. They stated they were driving in a van and were not sure where they were, but wanted to be at the store to report the incident to the police. Finally, the police located the van as it pulled into the station lot. Both the male driver and his friend appeared to be intoxicated.

The male driver did not know why he lied about being at the gas station earlier. The friend did not know why he lied about being an employee, saying only the driver told him to say it. The friend also stated he never saw or heard any gun, and stated the driver insisted he saw a gun. He continued by saying the driver is a police officer somewhere so if he said he saw a gun, it must be true. Both the driver and friend stated they had jumped into the van to look for the shooter after calling 9-1-1. Both men admitted to driving the vehicle at different times while conducting their search. They were intoxicated and both were arrested for DWI. Police also learned the driver had been a reserve officer at a metro police department, but was let go for impersonating an officer



CSI-Chaska
-Sgt. Det. Jon Kehrberg

Numerous Graffiti Cases Solved



On June 1st, School Resource Officer Julie Janke received a photo album full of graffiti from a Chaska Middle School East Teacher. Officer Janke recognized some of the photos as being consistent with graffiti vandalism that had been reported to the Chaska Police Department. Officer Janke spoke to the album owner, a 7th grade student from Victoria, who admitted to spray painting graffiti at numerous locations in Chaska, Victoria and Eden Prairie. The student admitted to painting graffiti on the Chaska Community Center, the Lake Grace pedestrian tunnel, Village Road area electrical boxes, the Chaska McDonalds, the Victoria Subway, a Victoria tunnel, Victoria electrical boxes and an Eden Prairie highway sign.

The juvenile has been referred to the County Attorney's Office for multiple acts of criminal damage to property.

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Police Service: 952.361.1231

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24 hour Emergency

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612.335.5000

Crisis Connection
612.379.6363

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612.347.3161

Suicide Prevention
612.347.2222



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT - August 4TH
CITY OF CHASKA TO JOIN CITIES NATIONWIDE FOR
"AMERICA'S NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME"

On Tuesday, August 4th, neighborhoods throughout Chaska are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "25th Annual National Night Out" (NNO) crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by Chaska Police Department.

National Night Out is designed to (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (3) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

From 5 to 10 p.m. on August 4th, residents in neighborhoods throughout Chaska and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police. Many neighborhoods throughout Chaska will be hosting a variety of special events such as block parties, cookouts, parades, visits from police, flashlight walks, contests, youth activities and anticrime rallies. There will be visits to the neighborhood parties from the Chaska Police Department, Chaska Fire Department, McGruff Crime Dog, Target and Xcel Energy and Ridgeview ambulance. Chief Knight will also be making visits to area parties.

Contact: Officer Janke, Chaska Police Department 952-448-4200
or e-mail: jjanke@chaskamn.com if you are interested in having your neighborhood participate.