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## ***CITY OF MUSKEGO POLICE BEAT NEWSLETTER***

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### **November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 – November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Happy Thursday, Muskego! I hope you're staying warm on this frigid day. I'd argue everyone should have the day off when the air is so cold the trees are chopping themselves for firewood, but here I am. One benefit of the colder weather is if we get into a foot chase, we won't have to tell the suspect to FREEZE! Alright, I'll stop with the dad jokes. After all, it is January and we knew this weather would be coming sooner or later. By the way, we don't say freeze. Never did, never will. Speaking of January, I checked <https://nationaltoday.com/january-holidays/> and the 16<sup>th</sup> of January is National Fig Newton Day. You either love them or hate them, and if you love them, you eat them like Oreos, a row at a time. Contrary to popular belief, they're named after Newton, Massachusetts where they were first invented, NOT Sir Isaac Newton. There's your history lesson for the day. Let's get started.

#### **November 1<sup>st</sup>:**

- 4:00 a.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report a snow plow truck had been left running outside a residence located in the W12400 block of Emerson Dr. for the past 30 minutes causing a disturbance and would like the owner notified. Officers responded to find the truck turned off. How convenient.
- 5:19 a.m. – A 23 year old Waterford resident was cited for speeding (77mph in a 55mph zone) and operating with an unclear windshield, which was his excuse for speeding, following a traffic stop that occurred near the intersection of STH 36 and Loomis Dr. I'm not sure how he thought that excuse would qualify, but nice try. At the conclusion of the traffic stop, our operator thought it would be cute to burn out his tires before re-entering the lane of traffic and speed away. We didn't find it quite as amusing, so a pursuit followed; speeds again reaching 70+ miles per hour northbound on STH 36 into Franklin before it was terminated due to cool guy refusing to pull back over. We called him, however he indicated not having the time. He responded to the police department the following morning, though and was arrested/cited for fleeing and eluding. The threat of issuing a warrant sometimes does the trick. Congratulations.
- 11:33 a.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of Parkland Dr. and Briargate Lane for the report of a suspicious blue vehicle that had been parked in the middle of the road with its flashers on for approximately 20-30 minutes. Our caller indicated seeing two female occupants, one of which had approached a nearby residence before returning to the vehicle, which our caller felt was enough reason to make us aware. Contact was made with the occupants, a 45 year old from West Allis and a 24 year old Milwaukee resident, who indicated the vehicle had a flat tire. Miss Milwaukee had been seen by a resident urinating between two nearby dumpsters, classy. They indicated coming to Muskego to visit a friend whose address they did not know, and aside from providing the name Nate who is close to 30 years old, had no other identifying information for their "friend". Never mind why they couldn't use his bathroom. Sounds to me like someone is up to no good. The registration on the vehicle was suspended along with the operator's license. The West Allis resident was on probation for a felony cocaine possession charge and after contacting her agent, it was determined she had lied to her agent about with whom she was spending time.

So, the agent placed a hold and Miss West Allis was transported to WCJ. Miss Pee-body was released on scene with the vehicle. Just stay in your own cities, please.

- 12:40 p.m. – 3 students were cited for tobacco violations at the high school.
- 1:19 p.m. – A 45 year old resident of the S7300 block of Parkland Dr. was notified that should he choose to park his company vehicle in the *private* parking lot of the Post Office while not patronizing any of the nearby businesses he would be cited.
- 4:52 p.m. – Officers responded to a residence located in the S7700 block of Crowbar Dr. after receiving reports of a resident burning garbage. Contact was made with the 52 year old homeowner and the garbage was determined to be brush. Our brush burner was advised of the complaint. That must've been some stinky brush!
- 5:07 p.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of Moorland Rd. and Commerce Center Parkway for the report of a car vs. deer accident. The deer put up a fair fight causing substantial damage to the vehicle however, in the end it was the deer that was turned into summer sausage. No human injuries were reported. A tow removed the vehicle and a crash report was completed.
- 5:37 p.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report a vehicle was driving the wrong way down an aisle in the parking lot of a business located in the S6500 block of Moorland Rd. In my experience, this is an everyday occurrence and while frowned upon, not illegal. We responded anyway, but the vehicle was GOA. There wouldn't be much to enforce with it being a parking lot unless our operator was intoxicated.
- 6:34 p.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of Loomis Ct. and North Cape Rd. for the report of a 2 vehicle accident. A 29 year old Milwaukee resident was cited for running a red light, no insurance, and operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license. His passenger, along with the operator of the other vehicle were transported to nearby hospitals for non-life threatening injuries. There's a reason you need a license and insurance. Your ignorance could have cost lives, sir.
- 6:40 p.m. – A 70 year old resident of the W14500 block of Cornell Circle called the police department to report fraudulent activity on her credit card. Investigation continuing.
- 10:38 p.m. – Verbal warnings were given to 3 drivers under the age of 20 operating in a not so safe manner in the industrial park.

### **November 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

- 1:37 a.m. – A 23 year old Whitewater resident was cited for OAS and advised not to drive following a traffic stop that occurred near the intersection of North Cape Rd. and Hi View Dr. One of his two passengers with valid licenses resumed driving. Genius.
- 2:23 a.m. – A 21 year old resident of the W13400 block of Bristlecone Dr. was arrested for OWI – 1<sup>st</sup> Offense and carrying a concealed weapon with no permit (brass knuckles, which we don't see too often and yes, they count). The arrest occurred following a traffic stop near the intersection of Pioneer Dr. and Racine Ave. that was initiated due to a speeding violation. Speed Racer was doing 96 in a 45, so thanks for drawing attention to yourself and the easy stop. Mommy came and picked up tough guy after he was booked and photographed.
- 7:27 a.m. – A 52 year old resident of the S10400 block of Elizabeth Ct. called the police department to report hearing gun shots while walking in Denoon Park...in Wisconsin...during the fall.
- 9:18 a.m. – More gun shots heard, this time coming from Little Muskego Lake. Our caller believed a motorized duck blind was too close to shore and nearby homes. Officers responded and located a blind not found to be in violation. Happy hunting.
- 11:52 a.m. – A 60 year old Waukesha resident requested we escort him to a residence in the W13500 block of Janesville Rd. while he serve eviction papers to the 53 year old tenant. We obliged. That can never get easier.
- 12:22 p.m. – An employee of a senior living facility located in the W13700 block of Janesville Rd. called the police department to report what she believed to be an abandoned vehicle that after further investigation was determined to belong to a resident. The place is so great, he hadn't left in 2 weeks!
- 12:27 p.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of STH 36 and US 45 for the report of a 2 vehicle accident. One operator had to be extricated and transported to a nearby hospital for non-life threatening injuries. The other, a 56 year old resident of Twin Lakes, was cited for running a red light. Not smart.

- 2:26 p.m. – A 60 year old resident of the S9700 block responded to the police department to report receiving a fraudulent phone call from someone posing as a WE Energies employee. No financial loss occurred and our complainant was advised to ignore further calls.
- 4:16 p.m. – Waukesha County Communications called to report receiving a non-emergency phone call from a male subject claiming to have killed multiple people at a residence located in the S9200 block of Crowbar Dr. That's not creepy. New Berlin officers and Sheriff's deputies were contacted and requested for mutual aid and T.C.F.D. paramedics were put on standby, only to arrive and find multiple residents outside working on the property. The residence was cleared, everyone was alive, and all appeared in order. If that was a joke, no one laughed.
- 10:22 p.m. – A 49 year old resident of the S8300 block of Pasadena Dr. called the police department to report a credit card that did not belong to her was mysteriously synced to the virtual wallet in her smart phone and believed this was suspicious. It was later determined to be an error and no financial transactions took place.

### **November 3<sup>rd</sup>:**

- 1:06 a.m. – Officers responded to an establishment located in the S7200 block of Lannon Dr. for the report of fighting occurring inside and out. Upon our arrival, our suspects had fled the business and shockingly, no one on scene wanted to provide us with their information and where they were going, including a 25 year old Waterford resident who was injured while attempting to referee the melee, but denied needing medical attention. Our caller was anonymous, we didn't have anything to go on, so no enforcement action was taken. Thanks for calling (insert eye roll here).
- 1:58 a.m. – A 43 year old Union Grove resident was arrested for OWI – 1<sup>st</sup> Offense, drug related, following a potential disabled vehicle check that occurred near the intersection of Moorland Rd. and College Ave. Our arrestee had pulled over for fear of getting sick in her car when officers pulled over behind her vehicle to make sure she didn't need help, as is customary, which is when it was discovered she had been smoking marijuana. Karma?
- 12:26 p.m. – A 47 year old resident of the W12800 block of Emerson Dr. called the police department to report a male subject had come to her house looking for his dog, which was in fact in her yard and had bitten her dog. Officers responded and an incident report was completed.
- 2:23 p.m. – Officers responded to the W15400 block of Janesville Rd. for the report of a 2 vehicle accident. No injuries were reported. A 57 year old resident of the W13000 block of Acker Dr. was cited for the unsafe backing of his vehicle.
- 3:25 p.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of North Cape Rd. and Ryan Dr. for the report of a 3 vehicle accident. 3 subjects were transported to area hospitals for non-life threatening injuries. A 17 year old resident of the W13700 block of Loomis Dr. was cited for inattentive driving.
- 3:44 p.m. – A 47 year old resident of the W18600 block of Agate Dr. called the police department reference another member of his household abusing a cat. Officers responded and made contact with both parties. No abuse was determined to have occurred and our caller felt it best to stay elsewhere for the evening, so that's what he did. I'm sure the cat appreciated his advocacy.
- 6:40 p.m. – A Palmyra resident called the police department to report hearing about a horse that was "stuck in the mud" somewhere in the W13700 block of Loomis Dr. from a passerby that had called her. We had an idea of where she was referring to, checked the area, and found no horses stuck in mud. Walking in mud, yes. Stuck? No.
- 7:46 p.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report hearing gunshots southwest of Deback Drive...during the fall...in Wisconsin. A possible trespassing complaint? Possibly. The area was checked. Nothing and no one was found to be in violation.

### **November 4<sup>th</sup>:**

- 2:41 a.m. – While on patrol, officers came across a vehicle stopped in traffic near the intersection of Tans Dr. and Racine Ave. I say stopped in traffic, but there really was no traffic at 2:41 a.m., they were just stopped in the middle of the road. Officers made contact with the 60 year old Franklin resident who advised she was waiting for someone in a green truck. That's fine, but you can't stop in the middle of the road. While out with the early morning mid-lane stopper, the green

- truck drove past slowly, however didn't stop. Both vehicles were later spotted in the parking lot of a business located in the W18800 block of Janesville Rd., a much better meeting spot at 2:41 a.m.
- 9:44 a.m. – A 68 year old resident of the S7200 block of Briargate Lane called the police department to report a hit and run accident he believed occurred the night of 10/29 at an establishment located in the W21600 block of Janesville Rd. He first noticed the damage on 11/01 and for whatever reason waited another 3 days before reporting. Investigation continuing.
  - 10:21 a.m. – An 82 year old resident of the W16800 block of Briargate Lane called the police department to report the vehicle from our incident on the 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:33 a.m. was still parked on the side of the road, blocking mailboxes. Shocking. The vehicle was tagged with a 72 hour sticker meaning the fine individuals involved had 3 days to get it moved or it'd be towed. Again, just stay in your own cities if you can't behave in ours.
  - 11:00 a.m. – A 93 year old resident of the W12900 block of McShane Dr. called the police department mistaking us for AARP. I thought of making a joke about our dispatchers then thought better. Not the first time, won't be the last. I wonder how many times AARP gets called and requested for emergency services.
  - 11:13 a.m. – The manager of a business located in the W15300 block of Janesville Rd. called to report a retail theft that occurred on 10/31. The suspects, two African American females, were seen on camera entering the store, selecting a large number of items, running out of the store without paying, and entering a silver Nissan SUV before fleeing the scene. The estimated total of stolen items varying from coats to men's athletic clothing reached \$1,400.00. SMH. Investigation continuing.
  - 11:56 a.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of Tess Corners Dr. and College Ave. for the report of a 2 vehicle accident. No injuries were reported. A 22 year old resident of the S6900 block of Hale Park Dr. was cited for following too closely.
  - 4:40 p.m. – A 60 year old resident of the S8400 block of Woods Rd. called the police department to report being harassed via telephone by subjects claiming to work for the "Windows Refund Department" whatever that is. You would think someone trying to scam you out of money would come up with a better ploy. Then again, this is why they don't have real jobs. No personal information was given and our complainant was instructed to block the number.
  - 5:10 p.m. – A 53 year old resident of the S9200 block of Crowbar Dr. returned home from work only to find someone had hit her mailbox. Officers responded to assess the damage. Investigation continuing.
  - 5:22 p.m. – Another deer failing to arrive at their destination on the other side of the road. This accident occurred near the intersection of Racine Ave. and Henneberry Dr. and a 49 year old Waterford resident was the operator of the vehicle.
  - 8:25 p.m. – A 42 year old resident of the S7500 block of Racine Ave. waited 12 hours to report a suspicious vehicle parked in front of his residence that turned out to be a Lyft driver waiting for a neighbor.
  - 11:02 p.m. – A 23 year old Milwaukee resident was cited for OAS following a traffic stop that occurred near the intersection of Pioneer Dr. and Racine Ave.

#### **November 5<sup>th</sup>:**

- 10:58 a.m. – A 64 year old resident of the S8200 block of Hillendale Dr. called the police department to report his former roommate, a 38 year old Milwaukee resident, had thrown a party at his residence while he was out of town and during the fun, some of his property had been damaged and an attempt to steal one of his vehicles was made. Circumstances are odd enough as it is, but I'd like to know the criteria set for picking roommates. Either way, investigations were unable to determine who had in fact caused the damage and considering the vehicle had not in fact been stolen, there was no proof that an attempt to steal it had actually occurred.
- 3:19 p.m. – A 57 year old Milwaukee resident was cited for operating a motor vehicle with an expired driver's license following a traffic stop that occurred near the intersection of Moorland Rd. and Commerce Center Parkway. Her vehicle registration was also expired as was her insurance card. Talk about living in the past. Time to update! Compliance orders were written for the registration and insurance violations and she was advised not to drive.
- 3:39 p.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report a woman in a white sedan parked near the intersection of Kingston Dr. and Lincoln Dr. and found this suspicious due to the

- woman whispering what he believed was her dog's name while walking the area. I'm not sure how you would hear her if she was truly whispering, and given dogs' great sense of hearing, yelling probably isn't necessary. How else is she supposed to find the dog? Would you have called if she was yelling loudly? We responded and did not find the vehicle or the whispering woman, so hopefully she found her dog.
- 6:31 p.m. – A couple residing in the S7200 block of Lochcrest Blvd. responded to the police department to report being harassed by their neighbors in the form of video surveillance cameras and their placement around the residence. Officers responded to the residence in question to make contact with the homeowners and alleged harassers. Investigations revealed no violations were occurring.
  - 7:07 p.m. – Muskego Public Library staff called to report yoots mooning one another in the parking lot. The cheeky subjects were GOA and unlike Principal McGee from Rydell High, no images were captured for FBI database recognition and referred for federal charges. Let's just keep our pants on in public places from here on out please and thank you.
  - 9:32 p.m. – A 44 year old Wind Lake resident was arrested for an active warrant she held through the County Sheriff's Department following a traffic stop that occurred near the intersection of Racine Ave. and South Denoon Rd. The traffic stop was initiated due to an equipment violation for which a verbal warning was given. Our arrestee's driver's license was also revoked. So, she was cited for that and advised not to drive after being released once her bond amount was paid in full. Whole lotta nope going on there.
  - 9:34 p.m. – Dizziness was reported by residents of a home in the W19500 block of Muskego Dam Dr. after an electric fireplace was turned on and the smell of gas was detected. GET OUT! Tess Corners Fire Department was contacted and responded to assess the situation. Somewhere Clark Griswold is yelling "Don't drop that match!"
  - 9:35 p.m. – Another car vs. deer accident. This time the deer survived. Officers responded to the intersection of Loomis Dr. and Union Church Dr. to assess the damage. No injuries were reported and there was minimal damage to the vehicle. Everybody won!

#### **November 6<sup>th</sup>:**

- 7:09 a.m. – Officers responded to a tree line in the W14000 block of Loomis Dr. for the report of a vehicle resting there after having driven off the road. Contact was made with the 17 year old Muskego resident who was fortunately uninjured. A tow removed the vehicle from said tree line and an accident report was completed.
- 8:56 a.m. – A citation to the tune of \$3,700.00 was issued to a business based in Oakbrook, IL after their driver was located near the intersection of Durham Dr. and Priegel Dr. The semi-trailer was called in by a passerby due to the truck breaking down in that area. Bad timing, karma, maybe both. The road is clearly marked, not sorry.
- 1:19 p.m. – A 32 year old resident of the S7900 block of Ladwig Dr. called the police department to report the theft of a package from her mailbox. Our complainant indicated receiving confirmation from Amazon that her package had been delivered, however discovered nothing but the packaging material upon opening her mailbox. Footprints around the mailbox were determined to belong to DPW employees working in the area and a bad wrapping job was thought to be the cause of the missing item. Amazon was contacted and agreed to send a new item at no cost. Amazon is pretty good about that.
- 2:56 p.m. – A 57 year old resident of the W17100 block of Briargate Lane called the police department to report being scammed out of \$200.00 by someone claiming to work for the Social Security Administration. Some might consider it a scam either way. Investigation continuing.
- 5:42 p.m. – A 54 year old Milwaukee resident was cited for following too closely and causing a 2 vehicle accident in the W18800 block of Janesville Rd. No injuries were reported. Officers responded and a crash report was completed.
- 7:24 p.m. – Another accident, this one a single vehicle that left the roadway. Again and luckily, no injuries. The 18 year old Wind Lake resident's vehicle was removed by a tow truck from the intersection of Muskego Dam Dr. and Kelsey Dr. Another crash report completed.
- 8:54 p.m. – 3 in a row! Not good. Officers responded to the intersection of Prospect Dr. and Westlyn Dr. for the report of a single vehicle accident involving multiple struck street signs.

Again, a tow truck was needed to pull the vehicle of the 26 year old Muskego resident from the ditch and the crash reports just kept piling up!

**November 7<sup>th</sup>:**

- 3:49 a.m. – A passerby called the police department to report a truck and trailer in the ditch near the W17800 block of College Ave. Officers responded and located the vehicle and its operator, a 26 year old Milwaukee resident. Assistance was provided. No crash this time.
- 6:23 a.m. – Franklin P.D. transferred a call for assistance. An SUV and the 36 year old West Allis resident behind the wheel had lost control and they too ended up in the ditch near the intersection of North Cape Rd. and Durham Dr. A tow arrived and removed the vehicle without incident.
- 8:48 a.m. – A 42 year old resident of the W12800 block of Empress Ct. called the police department to report on 11/04 between 8-8:30 p.m., a male subject in a reflective vest had come to his residence while his mother was there and attempted to gain access by stating he was there for an appointment and quote our caller did not make/request. The subject never stated what the appointment or quote was for and eventually left after being denied entrance to the caller's home. Good job mom! The incident, concerning as it was, was reported for informational purposes only and no similar occurrences have been reported since.
- 10:40 a.m. – An 18 year old resident of the W18600 block of Lions Park Dr. called the police department to report overnight damage to the rear window of his vehicle. No leads were gained from contact made with neighbors. Investigation continuing.
- 1:37 p.m. – Our dispatchers received an emergency call from an unknown subject and heavy breathing was all that could be heard in the background. That's not creepy. Upon identifying themselves, the dispatchers were disconnected. Officers responded to a residence in the W16300 block of Hedgewood Dr., where the call was plotting. While en route, dispatchers were able to re-make contact with the original caller, an 82 year old resident, who stated she was trying to get someone out of her house, then set the phone down and quit answering questions prior to disconnecting the phone call once more. Upon arrival, officers made contact with our caller who stated she was attempting to remove a 57 year old Montello resident from her home and was unsuccessful until retrieving and displaying her firearm. That'll do the trick! Our caller declined to pursue charges against the suspect and attempts at making contact with him went unanswered. A voicemail was left reference harassment and trespassing.
- 4:29 p.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of Crowbar Dr. and Parker Dr. for the report of cows getting out. Upon arrival, contact was made with the 76 year old cow owner who believed all loose cows had found their way home, but would be counting them to verify. I wonder if that's how he falls asleep at night instead of sheep.
- 4:50 p.m. – A 35 year old Pleasant Prairie resident was cited for OAS and advised not to drive following a traffic stop that occurred near the intersection of Durham Dr. and Woods Rd.
- I'm noticing Thursdays have a tendency of being pretty quiet. Everyone must be resting up for the weekend.

During this week, the following traffic contacts were made:

Citations: 15

Written Warnings: 5

Number of sets of keys retrieved from locked vehicles: 7

Number of butt dials received and check welfares conducted: 14

As always, if you have information on these or any other incidents, contact the City of Muskego Police Department at (262) 679-4130.

\*\*\*POLAR PLUNGE 2020\*\*\*

...is less than a month away! Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, at Muskego County Park marks the last year the event will be held in our city before moving to Oconomowoc. Please put together a team, register, and raise money by gaining sponsors for Special Olympics of Wisconsin to whom all proceeds will go! Yeah, you'll freeze your cajones off, but it's for a great cause! I'll be there along with members of our cadet unit, because apparently I work with a bunch of chickens afraid of some chilly water (for the record, I'm not looking forward to it either, but I'll suck it up). They even have options for those of you too chicken to plunge. There will be live music, food from Matty's Bar and Grille, T-shirts and other cool souvenirs, so mark your calendars! Visit: <https://www.specialolympicswisconsin.org/event/muskego-polar-plunge-5/> to learn more and get registered. Hope to see you there!

As always, thanks for reading and you stay classy, Muskego!

*Jeff Sartorius*

Community Resource Officer

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