
CITY OF MUSKEGO POLICE BEAT NEWSLETTER

April 10th, 2020 – April 16th, 2020

Good afternoon, Muskego! I once saw a meme capturing the scene from the Saturday Night Live skit where Chris Farley is playing the character of motivational speaker Matt Foley and yelling at David Spade's character named Brian about living in a van down by the river. Maybe you know the meme of which I speak, the enclosed caption reads something to the effect of PLEASE STOP SNOWING, which is how I, along with many of you I would imagine, am feeling right now as I look out my office windows in the middle of April. Oh well, what are you going to do? Things should be warming up this weekend, at least enough to give us rain instead of snow. April 16th marked Wear Your Pajamas to Work Day, which I'm sure a lot of us working from home are already doing. When doing the laundry, keep it classy and don't forget to separate your daytime lounging/working from home pajamas from your nighttime sleeping pajamas. Changing times can vary by work day. Today however, marks National Cheese Ball Day (the actual food, not what you call someone who likes to make bad dad jokes). I like to think this appetizer is more of a Wisconsin tradition being the dairy state and all. The ingredients can vary, but the high cholesterol levels are pretty consistent across the board which is just how I like 'em! Enough about cheese balls.

April 10th:

- 7:51 a.m. – A 51 year old resident of the W19400 block of Lakewood Dr. called the police department to report several items had been stolen from her garage and vehicle overnight. The complainant did not recall as to whether the garage and vehicle had been locked or left open overnight. An incident report was assigned, investigation continuing.
- 2:00 p.m. – A 21 year old resident of the W19400 block of Parker Dr. called the police department to report a suspicious black van parked in the lot of a place of worship located near her residence. Prior to officers' arrival, the operator exited the vehicle and was seen pulling on several doors, however did not make entry. Contact was made with the operator, a 64 year old Greenfield resident who had arrived to work on a cement step he had been hired to repair. Movin' on.
- 4:19 p.m. – A high school employee called the police department to report several subjects had jumped the fence and were playing baseball on the diamond. Officers responded and made contact with one of the subjects, a 16 year old resident of the S7600 block of Rain Tree Ct. who advised he was a student and was working out. Well then, by all means, you deserve to stay and violate the stay at home order. Just kidding. He was advised to leave and should he return, he would be cited for trespassing. I want baseball as bad as the next person, but we have to abide by the rules.
- 8:26 p.m. – High school staff called back to report students had started gathering in the parking lot, but were staying in their vehicles. Perfectly fine, churches are gathering in the same way, okayed by Gov. Evers. High schools across the state illuminated their facilities for 20 minutes, starting at 8 o'clock in recognition of the senior class of 2020. Very cool. Vehicles and students eventually dispersed on their own.
- 9:03 p.m. – A 37 year old resident of the W12400 block of McShane Dr. called the police department to report a suspicious, early 2000s Ford Ranger had driven past his residence last Sunday?...and was possibly taking photographs. Contact was made with the complainant who wished to report the incident for informational purposes only. He provided a license plate listing to a 64 year old Milwaukee resident should we need it later.
- 9:22 p.m. – Officers responded to a residence located in the W16900 block of Woods Rd. for the report of a domestic altercation received from a 3rd party. Contact was made with a 45 year old homeowner and a 56 year old resident of the S10600 block of Karen Ct. The verbal nature of the argument was confirmed and both parties agreed to separate for the evening.
- 11:53 p.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report loud arguing coming from the upstairs unit in the W18400 block of Janesville Rd. Officers responded and made contact with the 49 and 42 year old residents who were advised of their bothersome quarrelling. The male party was later picked up by his sister with whom he stayed for the remainder of the night.

April 11th:

- 10:56 a.m. – A 52 year old resident of the W16100 block of Mariner Ct. called the police department requesting officers stand by while his 26 year old son retrieved property from the residence. Our complainant admitted to having an argument with his son earlier that morning, after which son left the residence. Father believed there was a high likelihood of physical violence occurring upon son's return. Assistance provided, peace maintained.
- 1:34 p.m. – A 21 year old resident of the S7400 block of Richdorf Dr. called the police department to report two subjects sitting inside of a vehicle at the Durham Boat Launch smoking marijuana. I'm not sure what you were smelling, because officers responded and made contact with the vehicle occupants, one from Burlington, the other West Allis who were found to be marijuana-less. Moving on.
- 3:52 p.m. – A 50 year old resident of the W17000 block of Briargate Lane called the police department after observing a broken window to one of the units in the new apartment construction in the S7300 block of Lannon Dr. Officers responded and made contact with a construction worker on site. The remainder of the building was cleared and no items were reported missing. Investigation continuing.
- 9:28 p.m. – A 20 year old resident of the W18400 block of Dean Ct. called the police department to report her neighbor, with whom she shares a driveway, had intentionally damaged her vehicle. Officers responded and made contact with our complainant and her 45 year old neighbor. No damage to the vehicle was determined to have occurred. The situation was mediated and both parties mutually agreed on a different parking arrangement.
- 11:22 p.m. – A U/I complainant called to report a fire down at the landfill. Been a while since we got one of these. An officer responded and confirmed it was the methane flame.
- 11:37 p.m. – While checking on what appeared to be a disabled vehicle near the intersection of Janesville Rd. and Lincoln Dr., it was determined that the operator of the vehicle, a 52 year old Illinois resident, was intoxicated and there was nothing wrong with the vehicle. He was arrested for OWI – 1st Offense as well as possessing open intoxicants inside the vehicle. A tow removed the vehicle and our arrestee was transported to WCJ once the booking process was complete.

April 12th:

- **Happy Easter!**
- 1:09 p.m. – A 22 year old Wind Lake resident called the police department to report a reckless driver in the area of Janesville Rd. and Moorland Rd. The operator was reportedly swerving in and out of her lane and seemingly yelling at other vehicles out her window. The vehicle was located in the W16500 block of Janesville Rd. and contact was made with the 60 year old Milwaukee resident who was not under the influence of intoxicants contrary to our caller's beliefs, but rather on her way to pick up her prescriptions. She was advised reference her driving habits, which she of course denied.
- 1:25 p.m. – Back to Dean Ct. for more neighbor disputes. This time, the 45 year old previously accused of damaging a neighbor's vehicle was now calling the police department to report being harassed by her roommates and fearful for her safety while staying there, but didn't want to be bullied out of her living space. An attempt at temporary living arrangements was made to no avail. Contact was made with the landlord of the property who stated our complainant would be evicted due to her continued erratic behavior. All parties were advised to desist contact with one another and made aware that the eviction process is a civil matter.
- 2:34 p.m. – Contact was made with a 58 year old resident of the S7800 block of Castle Glen Ct. after a 9-1-1 misdial was received. Our contact blamed Siri. C'mon Siri, that's really yootish.
- 7:45 p.m. – A 24 year old resident of the W18700 block of Jean Dr. called the police department to report her debit card had been used fraudulently at a business located in the W15400 block of Janesville Rd. An officer was summoned, investigation continuing.

April 13th:

- 2:39 a.m. – Meanwhile on Dean Court...the 45 year old resident called the police department to report her landlord had entered her residence and stolen various items. Officers responded and it was deemed no theft had actually occurred. Our complainant doesn't seem to be helping her case.
- 7:59 a.m. – Why not? The landlord called to report previously advising the 45 year old tenant not to park her vehicle in the driveway amidst the on-going dispute, however the tenant was not following the rules. An officer responded and advised the landlord that due to it being her property, she could remove the vehicle via tow at her own expense, if she felt so inclined.
- 9:14 a.m. – Officers and T.C.F.D. responded to a residence located in the S6900 block of Catalina Dr. after receiving a call from a neighbor indicating she could hear her 82 year old neighbor yelling inside but was unable to make entry in order to check on her. Forced entry was made. She was ultimately transported to an area hospital for alcohol related detox.
- 12:06 p.m. – A group of yoots were told to vacate the high school football field.
- 12:08 p.m. – Officers and T.C.F.D. responded to a residence located in the S7000 block of Cornell Circle for the report of a structure fire. Hot ash from a cigarette is believed to be the source. Minimal damage was incurred.
- 2:53 p.m. – A 20 year old New Berlin resident called the police department to report her vehicle was stolen while parked at a residence located in the W19400 block of Lakewood Dr. This is the same residence where a burglary was reported 4 days prior. The vehicle was entered into the appropriate database as stolen and the investigation is continuing.
- 4:16 p.m. – Employees of a business located in the W15600 block of Janesville Rd. called the police department to report an unruly patron. Apparently the 44 year old Franklin resident threw a fit from the drive-thru when he didn't receive the sauce he had ordered. Considering the business he was patronizing is known for giving you enough sauce packets to bathe in, I'm sure had he asked politely, the problem would have been rectified. Or, go home and open your kitchen drawers, because odds are this isn't your first time eating there and you probably have some laying around like 75% of American households. Our saucy subject was identified via the complaint card he filled out and left at the business, because your opinion is going to change the way a multi-billion dollar corporation operates. An officer called him up and reminded him that it's fast food, not a 5 star, downtown chophouse and to mind his manners. Business management did not wish to pursue the matter, so he's welcome back whenever, but considering this business is a chain, why don't you stick to the one in your own city and quit antagonizing the employees at ours?
- 4:36 p.m. – A 63 year old resident of the W18900 block of Lembezeder Dr. called the police department to report his Social Security Card as missing. Our complainant was prompted to contact local law enforcement by the Social Security Administration in order to create and obtain a case number. Case number created, reported for information only.
- 6:37 p.m. – A 55 year old resident of the W18700 block of Jean Dr. called the police department to report the screen to her bedroom window had been cut. An officer responded to observe the damage. Investigation continuing.
- 6:54 p.m. – A 78 year old resident of the S7000 block of Rosewood Dr. responded to the police department to report being involved in a physical altercation with her 81 year old husband. Officers responded to the residence and the husband was arrested on domestic related battery charges and later transported to WCJ.
- 8:56 p.m. – An 18 year old resident of the S8400 block of Summeridge Ct. called the police department to report being attacked by his 54 year old father and requested officer assistance before disconnecting. Officers responded and made contact with father, son, and an uninvolved brother. After speaking with all 3 subjects, it was determined no physical altercation occurred and the involved parties were counseled reference their behavior and use of 9-1-1.

April 14th:

- 9:04 a.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report a nearby dog constantly barking for the past hour. Officers responded to the S7800 block of Kristen Dr. and wouldn't you know it, the dog had stopped barking.

- 10:42 a.m. – A 60 year old resident of the W17800 block of Martin Dr. called the police department to report several yoots had stolen broken shovels, tubing, and fencing off of a trailer in her yard. An officer was summoned, and investigation revealed the items had simply been removed, then used to construct a fort at the rear of our caller's property which borders Park Arthur. One woman's junk is another yoot's fort.
- 2:02 p.m. – While working in the area, D.P.W. employees reported receiving complaints from nearby homeowners regarding two residents in particular who continually park in the grassy median located in the S6700 block of Fleetwood Rd., which causes damage. Contact was made with the 53 year old wife of the registered owner of the suspect vehicle who stated everyone residing in the cul-de-sac parks there. Well I guess that makes it okay then. Not. She was advised.
- 2:32 p.m. – A custodian at Mill Valley Elementary called the police department to report subjects riding motorized bikes in the school's parking lot. Officers responded and advised the 39 year old father and his two children that their choice of activity was not authorized by the district for school grounds, nor were the bikes allowed on city streets. The residents of the S6400 block of Hillendale Dr. heeded word and headed home.
- 6:04 p.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report a black, 4 door sedan had been parked at the end of the cul-de-sac for the past two weeks in the S8400 block of PROVIDENCE WAY. The caller was U/I, so who knows? Anyway, officers responded and made contact with the 37 year old registered owner of the vehicle who was advised to use his driveway or even his own garage to park his vehicle instead of a city street.
- 9:40 p.m. – A 72 year old resident of the W17100 block of Briargate Lane called the police department to report observing a suspicious male subject near her residence, that when confronted, ran at her, but was scared off by her barking dogs. That is strange. Officers responded to check the area to no avail. Our complainant was advised to call back if/when the suspicious subject was seen again.

April 15th:

- 7:11 a.m. – A 61 year old resident of the W16900 block of Avon Ct. called the police department to report finding a pipe he believed was used to smoke weed near the boat launch at Idle Isle. Imagine that, someone under the influence of drugs forgetting their pipe. An officer responded and confiscated the pipe which was returned to the police department and destroyed.
- 11:09 a.m. – A 51 year old Milwaukee resident contacted the police department regarding the theft of his identity with leads in Muskego. Investigation continuing.
- 2:01 p.m. – A 24 year old resident of the W18600 block of Lions Park Dr. called the police department requesting assistance after hitting the fire sprinkler inside of her apartment with some furniture she was moving and not knowing how to turn the water off. The monsoon scene from Jumanji came to mind. T.C.F.D. responded, shut the water off, and reset the alarm. At least she won't have to water the house plants. Too soon? Seriously though, who decided to make fire sprinklers as sensitive as a house of cards in a fan factory? Fire hydrants are made of steel...steel, and you literally have to use a wrench made out of, you guessed it, steel, in order to open it. Fire sprinklers in apartments however are made of (according to google) brass, which is not as strong as steel. They're always placed in the worst areas too. They often come in a brass finish, which seems fitting considering that's the metal used to recognize 3rd place a.k.a. not the best and you'd think we'd want to use something strong to protect the little glass vile containing the mercury so as not to break it and expose us to something known to cause liver damage. I'm sure manufacturers have their reasons though.
- 4:52 p.m. – A 64 year old Muskego resident called the police department to report following a vehicle that was "all over the road". Sounds like an Easton Corbin song. She followed the vehicle until it pulled into a driveway located in the W17400 block of Woods Rd. where officers made contact with the 32 year old operator who was not intoxicated. His excuse was being tired after just finishing a 16 hour shift. Obviously his job is deemed essential, so thank you for the work, however your license is still revoked therefore you shouldn't have been driving in the first place. He was cited for the offense and his parole agent was contacted, but did not place a hold.
- Whole lotta business checks conducted.

April 16th:

- 11:18 a.m. – A 55 year old resident of the W19200 block of Wentland Dr. responded to the police department to report an unknown subject had hacked her computer by spamming it with alarms and pop-up messages. She was prompted not to turn off her computer and call the number on the screen, so she did (bad move). She then provided the subject on the other end of the line access to her computer and paid them for their “services” via credit card (worse move). She later got wise, cancelled the payment, and came to talk to us (good move). Investigation continuing.
- 11:57 a.m. – A 38 year old resident of the S7800 block of Overlook Bay Rd. called the police department to report fraudulent charges in excess of \$600 on her credit card. She did a little digging of her own and contacted one of the businesses where a purchase was made. They provided her with the name, phone number, and address of a 16 year old resident of the W19300 block of Lakewood Dr. where a few of the packages were being delivered. Pretty sloppy work, but we are dealing with a 16 year old, so the fact he was ignorant enough to think no one would investigate this and put things together is not all that shocking. An officer was summoned. Investigation (most likely a very short one) continuing.
- 2:39 p.m. – Yoots were again advised that the high school athletic fields are off limits and sent home with the warning that should they return, trespassing citations would follow. Sorry, no means no.
- 6:14 p.m. – The group of pickup truck operators that normally congregate in the parking lot between businesses located in the S7800 block of Racine Ave. were also again asked to leave the area.
- 10:45 p.m. – An 82 year old resident of the W18800 block of School Dr. called the police department to report 2 vehicles parked behind his residence on Gold Dr., the occupants of which were last seen walking into the nearby wooded area. Officers responded and made contact with 4 yoots who were fishing and had permission from the property owner.

During this week, the following traffic contacts were made:

Citations:	4	Written Warnings:	0
Number of sets of keys retrieved from locked vehicles:	1		
Number of butt dials received:	14		

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

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

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Community Resource Officer

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