
CITY OF MUSKEGO POLICE BEAT NEWSLETTER

April 24th, 2020 – April 30th, 2020

Good afternoon, Muskego! May the 4th be with you! Here's last week's edition of the newsletter as promised. My turkey hunt was unsuccessful, but still time well spent with friends enjoying Mother Nature. How was everyone else's weekend? The weather was gorgeous until about 7 o'clock Sunday night when the front came through and the temperature dropped 15° in a matter of 60 seconds. Was anyone else outside to experience this? It was crazy! Speaking of crazy, there's supposedly a giant hornet from Asia a.k.a. the murder hornet that has made landfall in the U.S. As if a pandemic wasn't enough. The article I read stated the hornet, which can grow up to two inches long, has a sting consistent with the feeling of having hot metal driven into your skin. I don't personally know what that feels like as I've never had an open wound cauterized by a hot piece of metal, nor do I want to. What's most troubling is their decapitation of entire honeybee hives in pursuit of the larvae, which is where their name comes from. I'm not a fan of any bees, or hornets for that matter, but our honeybees are already struggling without the presence of a decapitating, winged monster and if we run out of honey, I may go Dane Cook on these hornets and start punching them in the face. With a full body suit on of course. Anyway, tomorrow is Cinco de Mayo. I will be celebrating with tacos for dinner, what/where is everyone else doing/going?

April 24th:

- 9:35 a.m. – The former Lakeview Elementary employee from last Friday's incident, who decided to resign prior to being confronted regarding his possible use of marijuana while on the job on school grounds, was now reportedly threatening district staff via social media. A separate district employee called the police department to report the threats. Officers made contact with the 27 year old Wind Lake resident and suspect who agreed to respond to the police department to continue the conversation. Upon arrival, said suspect did in fact apologize for the threats not only to officers, but district staff as well. He also agreed to refrain from discussing the incident further on social media. In a day and age when admitting guilt and offering an apology has seemingly been replaced by continued defense of one's stance whether right or wrong, this was a refreshing case of the former.
- 10:17 a.m. – A 60 year old Milwaukee resident was caught shoplifting...again, at a business located in the W17000 block of Janesville Road...again. Officers responded and made contact with the business employees who reported the incident, as well as the suspect. Due to the suspect's continued negligence to learn from past similar incidents, charges have been referred to the district attorney's office on a state level, as citations haven't seemed to send the message home. Our suspect was also advised that from here on out, he's no longer allowed at the business lest he wish to be arrested for trespassing and given the business has multiple locations in our suspect's home town, this really shouldn't be an issue.
- 1:19 p.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of Janesville Rd. and Moorland Rd. for the report of a two vehicle accident. No injuries were reported and the damage to both vehicles was under the reportable amount. Parties exchanged information and agreed to handle amongst themselves.
- 1:22 p.m. – A 60 year old resident of the S8100 block of Edward Ct. called the police department to report receiving an email from an unknown subject stating they knew the complainant's passwords and would be exposing the complainant should he not pay up. Our caller didn't know which passwords the subject was referring to nor was he fearful of anything being exposed. Not all criminals think their plans through. I like to think most that do never in fact act upon them out of realization of their own stupidity. Our caller did not provide any personal information and had not incurred a financial loss, so he was advised to delete the email and the incident was reported for informational purposes only.
- 2:11 p.m. – A new to Muskego business finally initiated sales of their intended product after a couple months delay in the W15600 block of Commerce Center Parkway. Officers stood by to direct the large amount of traffic. Congrats and thank you for your production of hand sanitizer when it was needed most (which they are still selling)!
- 4:44 p.m. – More subjects were told to vacate the equipment at Moorland Skate Park.

- 10:00 p.m. – An employee of a business located in the W15400 block of Janesville Rd. called the police department to report two vehicles playing ring around the rosie, only instead of a rosie, they were using the gasoline pumps. Officers responded and made contact with one of the vehicle operators, a 33 year old New Berlin resident, who indicated subjects in both vehicles were playing Pokémon Go. Both operators were advised reference their driving habits. No other problems, 10-8.

April 25th:

- 2:13 a.m. – A 39 year old resident of the S7600 block of Lincoln Dr. decided that Saturday, April 25th, at 2:13 a.m. was as good of a time as any to light off fireworks. We, along with his neighbors, would respectfully disagree. Officers made contact with him at his residence and told him to stop as well as obtain a permit should he wish to light off fireworks in the future.
- 6:48 a.m. – A 30 year old Milwaukee resident and employee of a health care facility located in the W18600 block of Janesville Rd. called the police department to report being harassed by her co-workers. An officer was summoned. Investigation continuing, beginning with a phone call to the business's HR department.
- 7:08 a.m. – A 41 year old resident of the W14100 block of Ryan Dr. called the police department to report the construction crew across the street had started a little early for a Saturday, per the municipal noise ordinance (8a.m.). Officers responded and made contact with a foreman who agreed to shut things down for the next 52 minutes.
- 12:14 p.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of Janesville Rd. and Baylane Dr. for the report of a 2 vehicle accident. No injuries were reported. A 30 year old resident of the W17600 block of Clearbrook Dr. was cited for following too closely.
- 1:46 p.m. – A 47 year old resident of the S6800 block of Bristlecone Ct. called the police department to report a FedEx delivery driver had crossed over a roped off portion of recently paved sidewalk, causing damage. I guess this is why they ask you for any specially delivery instructions. It did not appear the damage was caused intentionally, although I might argue against the driver's thought process. Our complainant was advised and filed a claim through FedEx.
- 2:20 p.m. – Multiple subjects were advised that tennis courts, unlike golf courses, had yet to be opened to the public and were requested to leave after a U/I caller reported the violation at Kurth Park.
- 3:05 p.m. – A 39 year old resident of the S7500 block of Quietwood Dr. called the police department after observing 4 yoots on the roof of Baylane Elementary. I'm guessing they weren't looking for more homework. Officers made contact with the 4 boys, whose parents were called and responded to pick up the little trespassers. The only answers you'll find up there relate to breaking bones.
- 8:44 p.m. – A 29 year old resident of the S7700 block of Overlook Bay Rd. called the police department to report his wallet had been stolen from the outside of his residence. A white, male subject wearing all black clothing was reportedly seen in the area around the same time as the wallet's disappearance. Investigation continuing.
- 8:55 p.m. – A 43 year old resident of the W16900 block of Woods Rd. called the police department to report a male subject wearing a pink or red sweatshirt had attempted to gain entry into her residence. Our caller stated there was also a white sedan with a male occupant parked in her driveway at the same time. The subject in the pink or red sweatshirt and the vehicle were last seen westbound on Woods Rd. after unsuccessful entry into her home. Officers responded to check the area in an attempt to locate both subjects to no avail.
- 11:27 p.m. – A 63 year old resident of the S7700 block of Pioneer Dr. called the police department to report a loud party taking place behind a neighboring business. Officers responded and made contact with a 25 year old resident of the S6700 block of Bluegrass Dr. who was advised to quiet down.

April 26th:

- 12:10 a.m. – Another loud party, this one occurring in the W12900 block of Loomis Dr. Officers responded and advised the 26 year old host after receiving complaints from a 42 year old neighbor in the W13000 block of Champions Dr.
- 11:18 a.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report “devastating” smoke coming from a controlled burn in the W13000 block of Courtland Lane. Devastating: highly destructive or damaging. Officers responded and located non-devastating smoke. Bothersome? Potentially. Contact was made with the 43 year old homeowner who agreed to extinguish the flames until wind speeds had died and the direction had changed so as not to devastate anyone else.
- 12:08 p.m. – Officers and T.C.F.D. responded to a residence located in the S7000 block of Thornapple Trail for the report of a sounding carbon monoxide alarm. Contact was made with a homeowner who was not present and was unsure if another family member was still inside the residence or not after multiple failed attempts at calling them. Forced entry was made into the residence after contact could not be made, however no one was located. A vehicle left running in the garage for an extended period of time prior to departure was found to be the source of the alarm.
- 1:14 p.m. – Patrons of a business located in the W15400 block of Janesville Rd. were advised reference utilizing the picnic tables outside said business and agreed to leave. 4 minutes later we were back, doing the same thing. I’m unsure if it was the same patrons or a different group. The business was advised to remove or rope off the picnic tables until further notice.
- 1:36 p.m. – A 39 year old resident of the S9300 block of Prairie Meadows Dr. was advised of the dog at large ordinance after officers observed her four legged companion wandering unleashed throughout Park Arthur.
- 3:16 p.m. – Officers responded to the high school athletic fields after over 50 subjects were observed utilizing the facilities. Announcements were made and all parties vacated the premises.
- 4:06 p.m. – An officer stopped out with multiple subjects riding unregistered scooters near the intersection of Blue Heron Lane and Schaefer Dr. Contact was made with the owner of the scooters, a 44 year old Schaefer Dr. resident, who was advised of the scooters’ registration needs.
- 4:45 p.m. – A 44 year old Wind Lake resident was given a verbal warning for attempting to transport an assembled trampoline via trailer through Muskego to his residence down Racine Ave. The “load” in and of itself was too wide, so officers assisted the operator in disassembling his trampoline to make it legally transportable.
- 5:33 p.m. – An 86 year old resident of the S7700 block of Valley Dr. called the police department to report her neighbor’s loud music had reached bothersome levels. Officers responded and made contact with the 42 year old neighbor who agreed to lower the volume.
- 6:30 p.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of Kelsey Dr. and North Shore Dr. after receiving reports of a motorcycle vs. turkey accident. Contact was made with the 51 year old Delevan resident and motorcycle operator who was uninjured. The turkey’s feathers were ruffled to say the least and the bird was removed from the roadway. Its intentions will never be known, however it is safe to assume that the only place it will be flying in the near future is into a deep fryer to later be served alongside the green bean casserole and stuffing.
- 7:18 p.m. – A 52 year old resident of the W14900 block of Cornell Circle called the police department to report her 17 year old daughter was under the influence of drugs and refusing to give up her cell phone. Mom stated she was currently holding daughter down, to prevent her from doing what, I don’t know, perhaps leaving. Officers responded. No drugs were located on scene and the situation was mediated between parties.
- 8:09 p.m. – A 65 year old resident of the W19400 block of Hillview Dr. called the police department to report a loud party at a neighboring residence. Officers responded and made contact with the 19 year old host. All attendees not residing at the Hillview address were advised to leave and if they didn’t or returned, the host would be cited for violating the safer at home order.

April 27th:

- 11:19 a.m. – A 43 year old resident of the S7900 block of Ancient Oaks Dr. called the police department to report his dog had been bitten by another dog while at a residence located in the S9700 block of Rockridge Court over the weekend. An officer was summoned. Investigation continuing.
- 11:45 a.m. – A 48 year old Muskego resident called the police department to report her 12 year old son was being harassed by 3 juveniles of similar age via a smartphone app. An officer was summoned. Racial comments were determined to have been made. Two of the suspects reside in Muskego with the 3rd residing in Wind Lake. Follow-up contact with the suspects and their parents is underway. Investigation continuing.
- 3:30 p.m. – A 63 year old Franklin resident called the police department to report the locks on four storage units in the W12500 block of Loomis Ct. had been cut. An officer responded to meet with the complainant. Contact was made with the property owner to determine ownership of each entered unit. The units were re-secured. Investigation continuing.
- 4:37 p.m. – A 21 year old resident of the W15000 block of Cornell Circle called the police department requesting information on how to have her 29 year old sister removed from the residence. The complainant was informed that the police department does not aid in the removal of tenants until the completion of a proper eviction process. Our caller was advised that this is a civil matter as well.
- 6:37 p.m. – A 52 year old resident of the W13400 block of Fennimore Lane called the police department to report a neighboring residence was burning construction materials and the smoke was bothersome. An officer responded to check the area, however was unable to locate the fire. The complainant was re-contacted and advised to call the police department should the bothersome smoke return provided he knows which residence it is coming from.
- 9:51 p.m. – Officers and T.C.F.D. responded to the intersection of Woods Rd. and Edgewater Ct. for the report of a single vehicle vs. pole, rollover accident. The operator of the vehicle, a 38 year old Waterford resident, was transported to an area hospital for injuries sustained. Charges of OWI – 2nd Offense, possession of drug paraphernalia, and three counts of bail jumping are forthcoming. WE Energies responded to repair the downed electrical pole and a tow removed the victim/arrestee's vehicle.

April 28th:

- 2:16 a.m. – Officers responded to the area near the intersection of Racine Ave. and Henneberry Dr. after a passerby called the police department to report the operator of a red SUV was asleep behind the wheel and blocking the intersection. Upon arrival, officers made contact with the 84 year old Waterford resident who was in fact just sleeping. Officers had pulled the operator over one week prior due to inability to maintain his lane, which the operator explained was due to recent cataract surgery. A driver condition report had already been completed. The operator was chauffeured home and advised not to drive.
- 3:58 a.m. – A 53 year old resident of the W18300 block of Martin Dr. called the police department to report suspicious activity at his neighbor's home, who is currently in Florida. The complainant explained that another neighbor was watching over the home while the owner was away, however indicated seeing someone inside as well as noticing that the garage door was open approximately 1 foot and the garage light was on. Officers responded and cleared the residence to find nothing amiss. The garage door was secured and the homeowner was later contacted and advised.
- 11:39 a.m. – Employees from a financial institution located in the W17100 block of Janesville Rd. called the police department to report observing a male subject driving a white sedan throw a cell phone into the bushes outside the business. An officer responded to recover the phone and after observing video surveillance footage, determined the operator of the vehicle to be a 17 year old Wind Lake resident. Phone contact was made with the phone thrower's mother and both parties subsequently responded back to the business. The explanation? He threw the phone into the bushes to avoid being tracked via GPS while he went to an ex-girlfriend's residence to return items. Well, that plan backfired. I'm guessing mom or someone else tracking the GPS on your phone told you not to go there. The bushes though? Why not just ask a teller to hang on to it for you? Or "accidentally" leave it inside. Phones these days aren't cheap, so the bushes would be my last resort, especially with all the rain we've been getting.

- 1:55 p.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report observing a subject target shooting with what appeared to be a shotgun in their back yard. Officers responded to assess the situation and confirm that the shotgun use (which is legal) was following the proper distancing guidelines. The residence was located and determined to be in Wind Lake. The Racine County Sheriff's Department was called and the shooting was determined to be permitted for the area. The complainant was advised.
- 3:15 p.m. – A 60 year old resident of the W17400 block of Rossmar Dr. called the police department to report a fraudulent rental listing on Craigslist for a residence located in the W13000 block of Tess Corners Dr. The complainant was referred to a detective for follow investigation.
- 3:41 p.m. – Officers responded to a residence located in the S7400 block of Bellview Dr. for the report of a domestic altercation in progress. Upon arrival, the suspect, a 32 year old Franklin resident, was seen walking behind the attached garage to the residence. The suspect was detained at gun point due to past contacts where he has displayed violent tendencies until further investigations had concluded. Officers then proceeded to enter the residence where they located the victim, the suspect's 65 year old father, underneath the bathroom door which the suspect had kicked in, landing on top of the victim. After interviewing the victim, the suspect was subsequently arrested on charges of burglary, domestic related battery, criminal damage to property, and later transported to WCJ.

April 29th:

- 1:43 a.m. – A 29 year old Milwaukee resident was cited for OAS following a traffic stop that occurred near the intersection of School Dr. and Hillendale Dr. His 28 year old passenger took over driving responsibilities, because her license was valid, so she should have been driving the whole time. Some people prefer citations.
- 4:09 p.m. – A 64 year old resident of the W18100 block of Island Dr. called the police department to report a 41 year old family member from Burlington was at his residence, under the influence of drugs, and causing a ruckus. Officers responded and made contact with the causer of the ruckus who had apparently used all his drugs, but was still arrested for possessing the paraphernalia. He was transported to the police department, booked, cited, and released.
- 8:40 p.m. – Officers and Tess Corners paramedics responded to a residence located in the S6400 block of Glenbrook Dr. for the report of a drug related overdose for which the administration of Narcan was successful in reversing the effects. The 47 year old patient was transported to an area hospital for further treatment and is facing charges of controlled substance possession as well as felony bail jumping.

April 30th:

- 11:32 a.m. – A 65 year old resident of the S6500 block of Ruby Dr. called the police department to report a fraudulent charge in excess of \$500 on her debit card. An officer was summoned, investigation continuing.
- 12:30 p.m. – A 63 year old resident of the S6900 block of Hale Park Dr. called the police department to report being the latest recipient of the “give us money or we’ll release embarrassing information about you” scam. He was advised it was a scam, nothing more and had not fallen victim.
- 12:33 p.m. – A 49 year old resident of the S7500 block of Kingston Dr. called the police department to report finding her neighbor's dog running loose through her yard. Instead of returning the dog to its owner however, she decided to hold the dog hostage due to the dog running at large on a regular basis, which our records could in fact confirm. I guess she felt the owner needed to be taught a lesson? Sorry, but you can't do that. Just drop the dogs off at the department if you don't want to return them yourselves and we'll handle it. Officers responded to take custody of the animal, which was returned to its owner, a 44 year old resident of the W18500 block of Cook Dr., who was issued a citation for continued violations of the dog at large ordinance.

- 3:47 p.m. – A 29 year old Rochester resident was arrested for, get ready for it...possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, obstructing officers, four active warrants, two counts of bail jumping, and a partridge in a pear tree. While we're at it, let's tack on a citation for OAR. A U/I caller reported a black sedan parked near the intersection of Lannon Dr. and Joel Dr. for over an hour and felt this was suspicious enough to let us know. We're glad they did. Officers responded and made contact with the seemingly professional rap sheet builder who gave multiple fake names in an attempt to avoid being arrested for his warrants, because that always works. He was transported back to the department, booked, cited, and then provided a ride to Wind Lake because we towed the vehicle he's not supposed to be driving. During the investigation, he asked us to call his dad, who willingly provided us with his correct ID. Thanks dad.
- 10:27 p.m. – A 20 year old New Berlin resident was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia following a traffic stop that occurred near the intersection of Racine Ave. and Apollo Dr. The traffic stop was initiated due to the subject's poor driving. He had recently been arrested for a similar offense not too long ago, so it would appear we are either a slow learner or enjoy giving our money away.
- 11:22 p.m. – A 30 year old resident of the S7600 block of Racine Ave. called the police department to report being bit by his neighbor's dog while returning it home. The 57 year old dog owner was issued a compliance order for the lack of dog license and a citation for the bite.

During this week, the following traffic contacts were made:

Citations: 2 Written Warnings: 0

Number of sets of keys retrieved from locked vehicles: 0

Number of butt dials received: 16

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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