
CITY OF MUSKEGO POLICE BEAT NEWSLETTER

September 18th, 2020 – September 24th, 2020

TGIF, Muskego and a good lookin' one at that! Even better, we have Warrior football tonight! Let's gooooo! The police department would like to wish its best to the young men in their pursuit of a 3rd consecutive state championship. It starts today. Today also marks a plethora of nationally observed holidays including Comic Book Day, Daughters Day (of which I can now celebrate as I have one), and Lobster Day. I love me some fresh steamed east coast crustacean goodness with a side of warm Maitre d. Enough about my dinner plans, on to the week's events!

September 18th:

- 12:02 p.m. – A 54 year old resident of the S7300 block of Quietwood Drive responded to the police department to report receiving a phone call from a 56 year old Mukwonago resident that was harassing in nature. An officer was summoned and made contact with the Mukwonago resident who admitted to “voicing his frustrations”, but clarified to the officer that he meant the complainant no harm. There's definitely a difference between the two. Both parties were advised to cease contact.
- 3:37 p.m. – A 48 year old resident of the W16700 block of Bridgeport Way called the police department to report her vehicle had been damaged while parked in the lot of the high school. An officer responded to assess said damage. The investigation is continuing.
- 10:03 p.m. – A 63 year old resident of the W16400 block of Woods Rd. with whom we have had numerous contacts for his less than beloved pets was yet again advised by officers that the neighbors were tired of listening to his dogs' incessant barking. The dogs were retrieved from their outdoor kennels and taken in for the evening.
- When Friday activity is this minimal, you start to worry and knock on wood.

September 19th:

- 3:28 a.m. – An 18 year old resident of the S7700 block of Annes Way was advised of park hours after he was located inside of his vehicle which was parked in the lot of Bluhm Park. Go home!
- 6:10 a.m. – Officers responded to an establishment located in the S7000 block of Hillendale Drive for the report of an audible burglary alarm sounding. You may have already seen the video posts on Facebook. If not, this was the first of two establishments to be victimized by the same burglar. The second, approximately 10 minutes later, is located in the W18200 block of Martin Drive. The suspect was caught on surveillance cameras at both locations rummaging through things that don't belong to him and eventually stealing monies from both establishments, specifically targeting the gaming machines. A detective diligently investigated both cases and I am pleased to report that the suspect has been identified, charges have been referred to the district attorney's officer, and a warrant has been issued for this schmuck's arrest. By schmuck, I'm referring to a 48 year old Milwaukee resident.
- 6:43 a.m. – A 31 year old resident of the W19700 block of Thornapple Court was cited for blowing through the stop sign at Thornapple Trail and Racine Avenue. Well done.
- 10:41 a.m. – A 51 year old resident of the W13300 block of Boxhorn Drive called the police department to report her neighbor's dog constantly barks no matter the time of day or night. She attempted talking to her neighbor initially prior to contacting the police department, however was met with the response “that's just how the dog behaves”. Well, we do have an ordinance for this type of issue, so in the event the 51 year old dog owner can't seem to quiet Sparky down, he may end up with one of our officers knocking on his door, citation in hand, because “that's just how we handle these situations.” A voicemail has been left and is hopefully the sole warning needed.
- 11:28 a.m. – Participants in some sort of car rally were advised reference following traffic laws and regulations after calls were received at the police department due to certain participants stopping in traffic, exiting their vehicles, and otherwise impeding the natural flow. They were located in the lot of a newly opened business located in the W15800 block of Commerce Center Parkway and warned.

- 11:48 a.m. – A 41 year old Muskego resident called the police department to report losing her cell phone earlier that morning while attending an athletic event at the high school. The phone was tracking to Pewaukee, leading her to believe that it was actually stolen and not just misplaced. She was subsequently transferred over to the Pewaukee Police Department. Waukesha County Communications later called back to inform us that the phone had been found and returned. Good.
- 12:11 p.m. – Officers made contact with a 21 year old Milwaukee resident near the intersection of Martin Drive and Muskego Drive after she was called in as a suspicious person walking in the area. She indicated working for a company that was sub-contracted by AT&T, but was encouraged to obtain a permit through city hall before continuing her work. No other issues were reported.
- 12:22 p.m. – A 67 year old resident of the S7900 block of Audrey Ct. called the police department to report his neighbor's dog bit his own while the two were fighting and in the midst of attempting to separate them, he too was bitten. An officer responded to the scene of the fight and photographed the wounds sustained. Contact was also made with the biting dog's owner. Investigation continuing.
- 2:13 p.m. – A 54 year old resident of the W14700 block of Roger Drive called the police department to report her riding lawn mower had been stolen from her front yard sometime within the last hour. She advised that the key was in the ignition and attached to a ring containing keys to her home and vehicles. An officer was summoned. Upon arrival, it was discovered that our complainant had forgotten she parked the mower behind the shed in the back yard. Crisis averted.
- 4:11 p.m. – Continuing with the lawn mower theme. Officers and T.C.F.D. responded to a residence located in the S8800 block of Settlement Ct. for the report of one on fire. Firefighters extinguished the flames and normalcy was returned. Hopefully they were done cutting.
- 5:32 p.m. – A 69 year old resident of the W19400 block of Timberbrook Drive called the police department to report one of the fire trucks responding to the lawn mower ablaze had struck his mailbox and damaged his driveway in the process. Oops! An officer returned and photographed the damage. I think T.C.F.D. is good for it.
- 5:42 p.m. – Two female yoots were caught by a passerby stealing a sign from the front yard of a residence located in the S6400 block of Sherwood Ct. An officer responded to the area and located the yoots walking westbound on Janesville Rd., sign in hand. Contact was made with parents of both little thieves. The yoots were escorted back to the residence, returned the sign, and apologized to its owner. 13. Years. Old. These girls might think they are old and educated enough to have formulated their own opinions regarding political matters, but I also thought I'd be playing in the NFL by now at the age of 13. You're entitled to your own opinions. What you're not entitled to is the property of others, or infringing upon their first amendment rights. Red or blue, just disgusting.

September 20th:

- 12:35 a.m. – An 18 year old Waukesha resident was probably having what she considered an awesome night before being pulled over near the intersection of Martin Drive and Ranch Drive. Officers first noticed her vehicle due to it being parked in the lot of Park Arthur after hours. She was subsequently arrested for OWI – 1st Offense, possession of moon cabbage and associated paraphernalia, as well as possessing open intoxicant containers inside her vehicle. All sorts of smart decisions being made. She was transported to a nearby medical facility for a blood draw, back to the P.D. for booking, then released to a sober friend. Night ruined.
- 1:47 a.m. – A 24 year old resident of the S7100 block of Lannon Drive called the police department to report being approached by a seemingly intoxicated male subject in a hooded sweatshirt while sitting around a bonfire in his back yard. Our caller stated the subject was last seen running towards Lannon Drive, however responding officers were unable to locate him.
- 10:40 a.m. – A 19 year old Muskego resident called the police department to report finding a shoe, sock, and a pack of Newport's outside her bedroom window. She suspected the ex-boyfriend, however this could not be confirmed. Further investigation revealed the items were located in the yard and after making contact with a couple of her neighbors, it was discovered that they had seen a male subject searching for his cell phone in the area earlier that morning. I'm not a betting man, but if I had to put money on it, I'd say our male subject from the previous entry and this entry's suspect are one in the same.

- 6:04 p.m. – A passerby called the police department to report a downed stop sign near the intersection of Lannon Drive and Woods Rd. An officer responded and made contact with a 58 year old resident of the S8100 block of Lannon Drive who informed the officer that she had observed a dark colored sedan run into the stop sign a short time ago. In observing the sign, it was determined to be damaged, but also able to be propped up and visible until it could be replaced by D.P.W. who was advised. An incident report was assigned and the investigation continuing.
- 9:01 p.m. – Date night ended in an absolute sobriety arrest for a 20 year old Illinois resident. Yup, it's 21 up here too, Albert. I only assume it was date night as his passenger was a 27 year old female from Franklin. I guess no one told him that dating an older woman doesn't make you older, just cougar meat. Oh well. He was transported to an area medical facility for a blood draw, transported back to the department, processed, and released to a sober friend, also from Illinois. That's true friendship right there. His passenger had been drinking as well, so she too received a ride from a sober friend...also from Franklin. It's good to have friends. I just wonder if their friends feel the same way.

September 21st:

- 8:09 a.m. – A cement truck lost a portion of its contents while traveling near the intersection of Racine Ave. and Woods Rd. The County Highway Department had to be contacted in order to clean up the roadway. No additional problems were reported.
- 11:26 a.m. – A 70 year old resident of South Dakota was pulled over near the intersection of Apollo Drive and Racine Ave. due to the ramp of the trailer he was towing, dragging on the asphalt. You'd think he would have heard that. Guess not. The ramp was re-secured and our operator was sent on his merry way. Racine Avenue was really taking a beating this morning.
- 12:52 p.m. – A 17 year old Wind Lake resident is the suspect in question reference a reckless driving incident that occurred in the parking lot of the high school back on the 18th. The school resource officer is handling the investigation.
- 1:54 p.m. – Back to the S6900 block of Brentwood Drive for the two bickering neighbors. This time the 59 year old called the police department to report believing the 62 year old shot his "Keep Out" sign with a pellet gun after finding pellet sized damage to the sign. An officer responded to document the damage and will be following up with the suspect at a later time.
- 3:51 p.m. – Officers responded to the W14300 block of Janesville Rd. for the report of a two vehicle accident. No injuries were reported. A crash report was completed.
- 5:20 p.m. – An employee of a business located in the W13600 block of Janesville Rd. called the police department to report the business was receiving harassing phone calls from an unknown subject. An officer was summoned. The investigation into our harasser's identity is continuing.
- 6:24 p.m. – The music pumping up participants of an outdoor Zumba class was too loud for a 53 year old resident of the S7400 block of Quietwood Ct. I believe the class was actually occurring closer to the intersection of Janesville Rd. and Bellview Drive, so unless our complainant works near there, I'm not sure why it was bothering him. Either way, an officer responded and made contact with the Zumbists who agreed to lower the volume. C'mon man, just get in the groove!
- 10:20 p.m. – A 48 year old Milwaukee resident was cited for operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license and advised not to drive following a traffic stop that occurred near the intersection of Racine Ave. and Thornapple Trail.
- 11:49 p.m. – A 58 year old Lyons resident (halfway between Burlington and Lake Geneva) was arrested for OWI – 1st Offense after being pulled over near the intersection of Moorland Rd. and Princeton Drive. She too was transported to an area medical facility for a blood draw before being transported back to the department, processed, and released to a sober Muskego resident, most likely the one she was visiting.

September 22nd:

- 8:21 a.m. – A clean sniff report was given by K9 Officers after checking the high school grounds. Well done everyone!
- 11:05 a.m. – A 37 year old Milwaukee resident's passenger called the police department to report the driver had just struck a parked car near the intersection of Fairway Lane and Ryan Drive. That's always a confidence booster. An officer responded and determined the damage was under the reportable amount. Contact was made with the owner of the struck vehicle and both parties exchanged information.
- 12:41 p.m. – A 61 year old resident of the S7900 block of Parkland Drive called the police department to report a red Acura with no registration plates had been parked on Parkland Drive just north of Woods Rd. and believed it was stolen and/or possibly involved in a crime. Wow, got all that just from looking at it? An officer responded and determined the vehicle was legally parked and belonged to a 29 year old resident on Ruth Lane. Crisis averted. Two more people would call in the coming days while the owner's driveway was being repaved. That's one scary looking Acura.
- 3:03 p.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report an elderly man sitting in a wheel chair outside a residence in the S6900 block of Brentwood Drive wearing nothing but his Hanes and felt this was indecent. Some people feel a speedo at the pool is indecent, yet here we are. An officer responded and located the older gentleman, who by all means has probably earned the right to sit in his chair in his underwear if he wants to, but was in fact wearing shorts. Moving on.
- 6:25 p.m. – A 33 year old Saint Francis resident was taken into custody for multiple warrants he held through his home town's police department. Officers stopped out with his vehicle after it was located disabled near the intersection of Ryan Drive and North Cape Rd. He was released on scene after his probation agent was contacted and he signed a personal recognizance bond. His friend, a 23 year old Oak Creek resident, responded to the intersection to pick him up. Turns out that was a violation of her bail restrictions as her license was suspended for a previous OWI conviction, so we took the cuffs off him and slapped them on her. She was transported to the police department, processed, and released once her mommy posted her bond money. Cute couple.
- 8:29 p.m. – Officers responded to a residence located in the W16600 block of Jacob Ct. for the report of a father-son domestic altercation. Son had reportedly left on a bicycle after the incident, however was located by officers shortly after their arrival. Investigation revealed the altercation was verbal in nature, so both parties were counseled reference their behavior.
- 11:09 p.m. – A 19 year old Illinois resident was cited for OAS, failing to notify the DMV of her address change, speeding, and advised not to drive after being pulled over near the intersection of Woods Rd. and Parkland Drive.
- 11:27 p.m. – A 25 year old Milwaukee resident was also cited for OAS and advised not to drive following a traffic stop that occurred near the intersection of Loomis Rd. and Loomis Drive.
- 11:46 p.m. – A 33 year old Milwaukee resident was taken into custody for two active warrants he held through the Hales Corners Police Department. He was unable to post bond, so a personal recognizance bond was faxed over and signed prior to his release. He was also issued a citation for OAS and advised not to drive. The traffic stop occurred near the intersection of STH 36 and Muskego Dam Drive. Twas the night of suspended drivers licenses I guess.

September 23rd:

- 5:48 a.m. – A 26 year old Franksville resident was cited for speeding, OAS, and advised not to drive after he was caught in the S9500 block of Racine Ave. doing 69 in a 45 which will get you pulled over right quick every time.
- 8:56 a.m. – Just because you are a teen with a license and a pickup truck does not mean you should drive like a Duke brother or the two knuckleheads in the Dodge Ram commercials from nearly two decades ago. This is becoming an increasingly annoying problem throughout the city, so parents, please speak with your children before we have to cite them like the 17 year old that was caught doing burn outs in the parking lot of the high school. Play dumb games, win dumb prizes. By the way, it's not always just pickup trucks. Case and point, the next entry.
- 2:29 p.m. – A 16 year old Muskego resident was cited for excessive acceleration in the parking lot of the high school after being caught driving recklessly in his '04 Hyundai Elantra. Congratulations.

September 24th:

- 6:35 a.m. – An 18 year old Franklin resident was found sleeping in a hammock located in the back yard of a Candlewood Estates resident. The HOA treasurer called the police department after receiving a phone call from the resident whose hammock was occupied by the sleeping trespasser. Officers responded and learned the 18 year old had been kicked out of the house by mom. So, sleeping in a random person's backyard until you could go to the nearby skate park seemed like the logical option? A verbal warning was issued and he was escorted off the property per the owner's request. Seriously, dude.
- 9:06 a.m. – A 56 year old resident of the W18400 block of Janesville Rd. called the police department to report a female subject continually walks her dog without a leash, allowing it to enter resident's yards and defecate on their lawns. Our caller indicated confronting the dog walker who reportedly claimed that the city does not have a leash law so she may do as she pleases. An officer responded to the area, however was unsuccessful in locating her. We do in fact have a leash ordinance, it's 6 feet. So, if she in fact exists, when caught, she will be spoken to.
- 12:28 p.m. – A 60 year old resident of the W18500 block of Kelsey Drive has called the police department multiple times in the past few weeks to report subjects trespassing on the DNR lands near his residence. Today it was a 21 year old Milwaukee resident who was caught in the act and advised by responding officers of the boundary lines.
- 12:43 p.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of Island Drive and Muskego Drive for the report of a two vehicle accident. No injuries were reported. A crash report was completed.
- 1:40 p.m. – If you didn't hear, there was a bit of a commotion over in the W13200 block of Saroyan Rd. that lasted the better half of the day. Officers initially responded for the report of a domestic altercation taking place due to a 20 year old female subject taking issue with her 38 year old boyfriend becoming friends with her ex and the father of her child. I won't get into the nitty gritty of their relationship, but let's just say it's Springer worthy. These two were already under investigation for the abuse of aforementioned child. Once the altercation was deemed verbal in nature and no further questioning was needed, the scene was cleared. About 90 minutes later, a neighbor called the police department to report the female subject was outside screaming for help and appeared to be bleeding from her hand. I failed to previously mention that both subjects are known drug users and common logic, reason, and thought processes are no longer present in their beings. Officers raced back over to find the female subject in the roadway. T.C.F.D. paramedics responded and administered first aid. Once it was determined that probable cause existed for arrests to be made is when the real show began. The female subject, who had little more than a scratch mind you, could be heard screaming for blocks after being placed in handcuffs. Once properly restrained, she was transported to an area hospital for treatment before being dropped off at WCJ. Officers made entry to the residence in dealing with the male subject, who was also subsequently transported to WCJ, where in was located a large amount of drug paraphernalia as well as the materials and equipment used for the manufacturing and distribution of narcotic drugs for which he had already been to prison for once (probation/parole will be coming into play). Due to the nature of the materials and equipment found, the residence was evacuated and the surrounding area was closed off to local traffic until additional resources, including the Waukesha County Metropolitan Drug unit, could be implemented to ensure its safety. I couldn't tell you exactly when, but eventually peace, order, and safety was 100% restored. I don't foresee either member of our power couple returning to the residence in a very long time...if ever.
- 3:35 p.m. – A 52 year old resident of the W19500 block of Kelsey Drive called the police department to report her 13 year old daughter had arrived home after school to find the front door of their residence open and no one home. Officers responded, cleared the residence, and ensured it was safe for re-entry after which our caller was able to walk through and confirm nothing had been taken. No other signs of suspicious activity were located.
- 10:20 p.m. – The owner of the frequently barking dogs who resides in the W16400 block of Woods Rd. was finally cited for the same. A neighbor called the police department to report the dogs, who have also been convicted of biting subjects walking past the residence, were back outside and creating a disturbance. Again, if you're not going to care for them and give them the time of day, just get rid of them. They don't deserve to be left outside in a kennel for hours on end. Citation issued, dogs inside, 10-8.

During this week, the following traffic (land and sea) contacts were made:

Citations: 12 Written Warnings: 4

Number of sets of keys retrieved from locked vehicles: 1

Number of butt dials received: 24

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

*****REMINDER*****

Please find something to use other than your cell phone to occupy your child's attention. 24 butt dials this past week is not terrible by comparison, but it certainly could have been avoided as the majority of the no-cause 9-1-1 calls we receive are made by hands less than 6 years of age. If pots and pans won't get the job done, how about some scissors or a can of lead-based paint? I'm kidding, but you get the picture. I may end up eating my words when my child is of age, but I promise it will not be my cell phone in her hands!

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

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Community Resource Officer

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