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

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### **September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 – September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Happy Thursday, Muskego! I hope everyone was able to get outside and enjoy the gorgeous weather the past two days, especially since it's slated to stay below 60° for the next two. I meant to send this letter out last Friday, however a few things popped up that prevented me, then I was in Madison for training up until yesterday. I do apologize. As always, better late than never, right? Speaking of being in Madison, October 6<sup>th</sup> marks National Badger Day along with German-American Day, and (I kid you not) Transfer Money to Your Daughter Day. Yeah, I don't think so. My two are expensive enough and I haven't even paid for college let alone weddings yet. Anywho...

#### **Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>:**

- 9:55 a.m. – A 52 year old resident of the W18600 block of Jean Dr. was cited for OAR and advised to stop driving after being pulled over near the intersection of College Ave. and Shagbark Ln.
- 10:32 a.m. – A 66 year old resident of the W20800 block of Valerie Dr. called the police department to report giving an unknown subject her credit card number and personal email via telephone prior to realizing it was an attempt to defraud her. Yeah, don't do that. The phone call was transferred to a detective and I think they caught it in time.
- 10:41 a.m. – While on patrol, an officer was flagged down by a motorist near the intersection of Glen Cove Ct. and Janesville Rd. The 48 year old New Berlin resident had a large amount of white paint covering the back end of his vehicle and was unsure as to how it got there. Investigation revealed a can of spray paint being run over in the parking lot of a business he recently left may have been the cause, so that's where he was referred. Good luck with that.
- 12:48 p.m. – The parked vehicles of patrons at a rummage sale on the curves of Woods Rd. just east of Racine Ave. were enough of a concern for one school bus driver to call. An officer responded and kindly requested they choose one side of the road for parking as opposed to both, as well as avoiding blind spots for on-coming traffic.
- 12:51 p.m. – A 60 year old resident of the W18600 block of Jean Dr. responded to the police department to report fraudulent charges appearing on one of her financial accounts. An officer was summoned, investigation continuing.
- 2:34 p.m. – A 71 year old resident of the W21100 block of Field Dr. called the police department to report some rocky mountain canary had smashed the two front windows out of his '67 Mustang. Yeah, whoever did this better keep quiet, because if this was my car, I'd be finding you, so I can only imagine how this guy feels. An officer responded to photograph the damage and gather further intel. Investigation continuing.
- 3:40 p.m. – An 89 year old resident of the W13500 block of Loomis Dr. called the police department to report having a sick dumpster panda on her property. An officer responded to assess said panda and determined it wasn't sick, just sort of hangin' out. Our complainant was advised to call a pest control company if she wished to have it evicted.
- 7:46 p.m. – A 51 year old resident of the S8600 block of Douglas Dr. called the police department to report a group of yoots on bicycles were riding through the neighborhood, shouting profanities, and threatening residents. Sounds like gang activity to me. The group was located in the high school parking lot by responding officers and counseled on their choice of activities/behavior. Parents were notified.

### **Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>:**

- 2:56 a.m. – A 40 year old resident on Freedom Ave. called the police department to report the unwanted text messages and phone calls from a 34 year old Oak Hill Dr. resident were keeping him up. An officer was summoned and counseled him on the notification options of his cell phone as well as the instructions for obtaining a restraining order.
- 7:06 a.m. – Someone mowed over the northbound stop sign on Tess Corners Dr. at the intersection of Woods Rd. A few passing motorists called the police department to report the hazard. A really fancy temporary sign with a tire for a base has since been deployed until D.P.W. can get out there with a new post and sign. Hit and run crash report completed.
- 8:51 a.m. – Never fails. A 50 year old resident of the W14800 block of Woods Rd. called the police department to report having political signs stolen from her front yard. Freedom of speech, people. She didn't want an officer to investigate, but simply wanted the incident reported in case it continued to be an issue as I'm guessing she was planning to replace them.
- 10:39 a.m. – A 58 year old resident of the W14400 block of Pilgrim Dr. forgot to pay for his gasoline. An employee of a business located in the W15400 block of Janesville Rd. called the police department to report the oversight. Phone contact was made with the vehicle owner who agreed to return and pay for the fuel.
- 12:15 p.m. – A 28 year old Waterford resident called the police department to report while exchanging custody of his children with their mother in our front parking lot, the 22 year old Racine Ave. resident became physical with him by attempting to move him out of the way, and he was now hoping to speak with an officer. Next time, just come all the way into the lobby. An officer was summoned an ultimately advised our complainant to speak to his attorney reference custody arrangements.
- 1:52 p.m. – A 67 year old resident of the S10200 block of Racine Ave. called the police department to report being contacted by someone claiming to be a representative of Amazon. This Amazon employee had told our complainant that his account had been compromised and he was now on the hook for \$1,500.00 to be paid out with...Walmart gift cards. Makes perfect sense. An officer responded to his residence. Investigation continuing.
- 4:49 p.m. – A 71 year old resident of the S8900 block of Boxhorn Dr. was arrested for OWI – 1<sup>st</sup> Offense after being pulled over near the intersection of College Ave. and Tess Corners Dr. The traffic stop occurred as the result of a reckless driving complaint as our arrestee had been observed swerving all over the road by our caller. He was transported back to the department, booked, and later released to his wife whom I'm sure was thrilled.
- 7:48 p.m. – A 51 year old resident of the S8300 block of Racine Ave. was cited for operating a motor vehicle without a valid license after being pulled over not too far from her residence. Surrendered was the official status. The 18 year old passenger in the vehicle had a valid license, so I'm guessing he took over, unless they were home for the night.
- 8:26 p.m. – A juvenile age Muskego resident walked across the street to the police department to report her ex-bf had entered her locked residence via the doggy door and struck her. An officer was summoned to the front lobby. Further investigation revealed no physical altercation had occurred between our complainant and the 16 year old suspect from Waukesha. Ex-bf had actually been invited over with other friends. Older sister, who had accompanied little sister to the P.D., stated ex-bf was no longer welcome at the residence, so the officer spoke to ex-bf and ex-bf's dad and advised them accordingly. Alllllrighty then.

### **Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>:**

- 1:32 a.m. – A 54 year old resident of the S7400 block of Lannon Dr. was arrested for OWI – 1<sup>st</sup> Offense after being pulled over near the intersection of Janesville Rd. and Parkland Dr. He was transported to the police department, booked, and later released to his daughter.
- 10:23 a.m. – Officers responded to the W18600 block of Jean Dr. for the report of a domestic altercation. Upon officers' arrival, the suspect, a 43 year old Green Bay resident, had already fled the scene. The victim indicated having been thrown to the floor and choked, however denied the need for medical attention. Turns out, ole boy was already on probation, so we called up his agent and they've since issued a warrant. You can run...

- 10:31 a.m. – Officers responded to the intersection of Durham Pl. and Cornell Dr. for the report of a two vehicle accident. No injuries were reported, not counting the vehicles. Crash report completed.
- 3:31 p.m. – A 48 year old Manchester resident with the same name as a Latin singer who found limited success in the late 90s (poor guy) called the police department requesting an officer escort him to a residence, his mother's, in the S6500 block of Tess Corners Dr. to retrieve a motorcycle. We were happy to oblige, however upon arrival, the officer determined that our non-famous bike rider was not the registered owner of said motorcycle. While he did have the keys and title in hand, he was advised to contest the bike's ownership in small claims court.
- 5:58 p.m. – A 25 year old resident of the S7200 block of Lannon Dr. called the police department to report the mother of his child was speaking to him via the court ran communication portal reference things that didn't have to do with their child, violating the terms of his restraining order against her. An officer responded and determined the 27 year old Racine resident hadn't done anything wrong. Movin' on.
- 6:24 p.m. – A 22 year old resident of the S9300 block of Racine Ave. called the police department to report a 28 year old Waterford resident was harassing her by continuously calling her cell phone as well as her place of employment. Our complainant simply wished for her unwanted caller to be advised to contact her attorney instead of him, so he was.
- 9:41 p.m. – A 32 year old resident of the W14800 block of Dartmouth Circle called the police department after hearing what she described as 12 gun shots. An officer responded to the area, however the sound was not heard again, nor was the source located.

**Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>:**

- 9:27 a.m. – Our 22 year old complainant from 6:24 p.m. the day prior responded back to the police department to report believing the 28 year old Waterford resident she didn't want contacting her had purposely locked her keys in her vehicle along with her purse and child's safety seat. Apparently, he still has the other set. An officer responded to the residence in an attempt to break in, however was unsuccessful. Our complainant was again advised reference the dispute of property, how child custody was a civil matter, and how to obtain a restraining order.
- 5:20 p.m. – A 59 year old resident of the W17900 block of Riese Dr. responded to the police department to report having his identity stolen. An officer was summoned. Investigation revealed our complainant had not lost any money, so he was advised to contact the credit bureaus reference the theft.
- 5:19 p.m. – A passerby in the S7600 block of Crowbar Dr. called the police department to report a discarded hot tub partially blocking the northbound lane of traffic. An officer responded to assess and determined it was not a hazard. The Department of Public Works was contacted to respond and remove the container for reusable bath water. Yeah, I'm not a fan of 'em.
- 5:23 p.m. – A 65 year old resident of the W19200 block of Youngwood Ct. responded to the police department to report believing a drill set that was stolen from his garage was now being pawned at a business outside the city. An officer was summoned. Investigation determined that no proof existed to substantiate the claim. Our complainant indicated he would be purchasing the drill from the pawn shop. Hopefully at a discounted price.
- 7:51 p.m. – A 35 year old resident of the W18400 block of Janesville Rd. called the police department to report her downstairs neighbor, 58 YOA, had thrown rocks at one of her windows as well as opened the door of her unit, solely to yell at her. An officer responded and counseled both adults reference appropriate and inappropriate behavior. They were encouraged to contact us or management prior to taking matters into their own hands should there be another incident.
- 8:54 p.m. – A 16 year old Muskego resident was pulled over near the intersection of Woods Rd. and Ruth Lane for a speeding violation. While speaking with the operator at the driver's window, the officer couldn't help but notice the large amount of two-ply bumf in the back seat. C'mon, everyone knows you go with single ply when returning it to its natural habitat. He was given a verbal warning for the speeding violation and encouraged to use the paper product wisely. His mother was notified.

### **Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>:**

- 12:36 a.m. – WCC called the department requesting an officer attempt to make contact with a 21 year old resident of the S6700 block of Jo Ct. due to him abandoning his stuck vehicle in a construction zone in the 4400 block of S. Racine Ave. Now why would he do that? Flash forward...
- 1:23 a.m. – An officer escorted New Berlin P.D. over to Jo Ct. and stood by while they conducted field sobriety tests on not so cool Jo Ct. He was ultimately arrested for OWI – 1<sup>st</sup> Offense. Fleeing the scene will get you nowhere...except arrested with additional charges.
- 11:19 a.m. – A 59 year old resident of the W18400 block of Sue Marie Lane frantically called the police department after not being able to find her 2 year old granddaughter. It had been approximately 15 minutes since granddaughter had last been seen when grandma called. Officers responded and ultimately located a set of pigtails hiding in the pantry closet. I used to crawl under the clothes racks at Kohl's. Drove my mom nuts.
- 5:07 p.m. – A 42 year old resident of the S7500 block of Park Dr. called the police department to report what she believed to be an abandoned vehicle. The vehicle that didn't have any registration plates had been parked alongside the road and not moved for the past 3 days. The responding officer was able to obtain a VIN number that when queried indicated the vehicle had been stolen out of Milwaukee. Great, they're coming out here to ditch them now. It was ultimately towed and Milwaukee P.D. was advised.
- 7:51 p.m. – A 12 year old New Berlin resident decided to take a bike ride through our city, but when it came time to head home, became lost. He did the smart thing by riding to our department and requesting assistance. When mom didn't pick up, grandma was contacted and she ultimately responded to pick Jr. up and take him home.

### **Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>:**

- 7:55 a.m. – A trucking company based in Stallis was cited to the tune of \$4,000+ after their driver was pulled over near the intersection of Janesville Rd. and Moorland Rd. for an overweight vehicle violation. The operator, a 43 year old from the Land of Lincoln, was released after a percentage of the bond was posted.
- 8:59 a.m. – A 47 year old resident of the W13500 block of Woods Rd. responded to the police department to report an unknown subject had been captured, via her home surveillance cameras, walking through her yard...on the 11<sup>th</sup>...17 days prior. Okey dokey. According to our complainant, there had been a white hatchback parked in a neighboring driveway, that did not belong to the homeowners. Further review of the surveillance cameras did not depict the suspect as having returned. This was all reported for informational purposes only.
- 1:27 p.m. – A U/I complainant called the police department to report a Great Dane belonging to some homeowners in the S6900 block of Hiawatha Dr. was wandering the neighborhood, unsupervised. This is not our first incident involving this residence and their lack of care for their animals. Our caller indicated the owners were not home, shocker. An officer responded and ended up speaking to a friend of the family who assisted with getting Scooby back inside.
- 1:34 p.m. – A 43 year old resident of the S7100 block of Meadow Dr. responded to the police department to report the 46 year old Waterford resident against whom she had a restraining order was in violation of said order, a copy of which we had just received approximately 50 minutes prior. That didn't take long. Evidence showed our respondent placing over 100 phone calls to the petitioner. Contact was eventually made with the respondent who agreed to turn herself in and did.
- 2:10 p.m. – A 66 year old resident of the S7500 block of Racine Ave. called the police department to report her mailbox, as well as her neighbor's on the same post, had been struck and damaged. An officer responded to photograph said damage. Hit and run crash report completed.

### **Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>:**

- 9:59 a.m. – A trucking company outta Belleville, MI was cited to the tune of \$10K after their driver was pulled over near the intersection of Racine Ave. and Woods Rd. for an overweight load violation. The operator, a 41 year old Gary, IN resident, was released after a percentage of the bond was paid. Ouch.

During this time period, the following traffic contacts were made on land and sea (lake):

Citations:	6	Written Warnings:	2
Number of sets of keys retrieved from locked vehicles:			2
Number of butt dials received/medical pendants accidentally pushed:			12

\*\*\*HOMECOMING WEEK SHENANIGANS\*\*\*

If we received one phone call, we received two dozen reference vandalism and damage to property complaints associated with homecoming week pranks. It seems as though the days of solely using toilet paper and plastic utensils are long gone as investigations included the use of paint balls, glue, condiments, discarded appliances, and even a boat. Of course, retaliation must always supersede the prank in which the retaliation is in response to (sarcasm), causing even more damage and inconvenience to its recipients. While we cannot realistically expect the pranks to stop entirely come next year, we do strongly encourage parents to sit down with their yoots and explain to them the repercussions of their actions, the amount of financial strain some of these pranks can and have caused, as well as the fine amounts associated with *Criminal Damage to Property* charges (\$500+) that don't even include restitution amounts if/when they're caught. As a perpetrator, ask yourself, is it worth it? The response is always no, even to "just" the toilet paper, because if Mr. Smith does not want you on his property, you're looking at a citation for trespassing at minimum. I had a teacher in high school that was famous for telling students, "if your fun is ruining someone else's, stop."

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 classy Muskego!

*Jeff Sartorius*

Your friendly neighborhood Community Resource Officer

**\*\*\*For more information about the City of Muskego Police Department, visit us in person at W182 S8200 Racine Ave., online at [www.cityofmuskego.org/policedepartment](http://www.cityofmuskego.org/policedepartment) , <https://www.facebook.com/cityofmuskegopolice> , or <https://twitter.com/MuskegoPolice> \*\*\***