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News from the Chief



The international Ebola crisis has resulted in a barrage of sometimes conflicting information over the past few weeks. Nashville is fortunate to have some of the best medical minds in the world. One of those persons, Dr. Corey Slovis, Vanderbilt's Chairman of Emergency Medicine, graciously accepted my invitation to stop by Compstat this morning to brief the department's leadership on the latest Ebola information, as it is presently understood, and to remind us all of smart safety precautions.



Dr. Corey Slovis addresses leadership at Compstat.

Here are some important points Dr. Slovis shared this morning:

- Three West African countries have significant Ebola outbreaks, Liberia, Sierra Leone, and Guinea.
- Keep in mind that flu season is upon us, and the symptoms of flu are exactly the same as early stage Ebola (they are both viruses). If on a call in which you encounter a person with an illness manifested by vomiting, diarrhea and fever, it is prudent to ask that person whether they have recently traveled internationally, specifically to Liberia, Sierra Leone or Guinea. If so, Medcom should be contacted.
- Ebola is not transmitted through the air. Symptomatic individuals with Ebola can shed the virus through body fluids, primarily diarrhea, vomit and blood. Doctor Slovis emphasized that unless there is direct contact with an infected person's bodily fluids, you cannot contract the disease as far as we know.
- It is possible for a person with symptomatic Ebola to shed the disease through droplets contained in sneezes/coughs. Persons in direct contact with such an individual can be protected by a face shield and being careful not to touch their own eyes, nose or mouth.
- Dr. Slovis noted that the rubber gloves officers carry **ARE YOUR BEST FRIENDS TO START...BUT AS SOON AS THEY ARE READY TO BE TAKEN OFF, THEY CAN BE YOUR WORST ENEMY.**
- Before you take off your rubber gloves on a call at which you have found it necessary to use them, **DISINFECT THEM WITH ALCOHOL.** "Alcohol kills Ebola aggressively," Dr. Slovis said, as it does other viruses and germs. As you remove the gloves, try not to let the exterior portion come into contact with your unprotected hands. **USE A SEPARATE ALCOHOL WIPE TO DISINFECT YOUR HANDS AFTER REMOVING GLOVES.**
- If arriving at a location where there appears to be extreme illness, do not touch anything, back away and notify Medcom.
- Make a conscious effort to avoid body fluids. If you should inadvertently step in blood, vomit or diarrhea, inform the Nashville Fire Department so that your footwear can be decontaminated at the scene.
- The incubation period for Ebola is a few days to 21 days. We have recently seen a period of 5 to 8 days.

As Dr. Slovis noted, there is a lot of rumor and misinformation about the Ebola virus. The above points will help us all be better informed. I deeply appreciate Dr. Slovis' support of the MNPd during his many years at Vanderbilt.

Thank you all for everything you do on behalf of Nashville's families and guests.

Happenings

The 8th Annual Law Enforcement Talent Showcase

This year's showcase and silent auction raised an estimated \$10,000 to benefit the Nashville Children's Alliance, a non-profit organization that provides services to children who have been victimized by sexual or severe physical abuse.

Special guests Allison Krause and Phil Vassar performed along with the talented men and women of the Metro police department.



Chief Anderson recognizes Nashville Children's Alliance CEO June Turner prior to the start of the talent show.





Pictured (l-r) are Dan Tyminski, Allison Krauss, Chief Anderson and ?



Special guest Allison Krauss performs with ? and Dan Tyminski



Special guest Phil Vassar



Pictured (l-r) are Sergeant Tiffany Rhea, Officer Barry Scarborough, and Officer Emily Davies.



Commander Marlene Pardue



Retired Deputy Chief & U.S. Marshal Louise Kelton



Rockness Monsters: Officer Carey Steel, Scott Weckerly, Dennis Shepard, Phil Bennett, Trevor Mathieson, David Crutcher, and Gordon Kennedy



Officer Calvin Graham



Officer Shaun Hardin



The Band: Officers Rob Shelton, Emily McAleesjergins, Jesse Johnson, Ron Ragsag, and Kevin Sparkman.



Officer Keith Holley and Angie Johnson



Host Harry Chapman

2014 Good Guy Award

Chief Anderson on Tuesday was one of four Nashvillians to receive the 2014 Good Guy Award from the Women’s Political Cooperative of Tennessee during a lunch ceremony at the downtown Sheraton Hotel. Chief Anderson was nominated by YWCA President and CEO Pat Shea, who, during her introduction of Chief Anderson, stated: “Chief Anderson is part of our city’s solution to end domestic violence. He understands it. He is willing to publicly admonish those who should and don’t. He has refused to adhere to the social norms that value the freedom of an alleged abuser more than the life of an alleged victim. He has taken the responsibility that we wish all men would take—holding other men accountable for their behaviors and pointing out their role in the perpetuation of violence against the women who live in our community.”

Other Good Guy Award winners this year are Justin Wilson, Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury, Jeff Teague, President & CEO of Planned Parenthood of Middle & East Tennessee, and Luther Wright Jr., Nashville attorney.



Chief Anderson was nominated by YWCA President & CEO Pat Shea, who introduced him at the ceremony.



Titans Guard Chance Warmack attended the Good Guy event in support of Chief Anderson.

6th Annual Hispanic Festival

Several thousand people attended the annual Hispanic Festival at Coleman Park last month. This popular outreach initiative of the police department featured live music, food booths and displays set up by a number of local businesses.



Walk to School Day

Chief Anderson and Mayor Karl Dean on October 3rd joined Haywood Elementary School students, teachers, and families for Walk to School Day.



Community Outreach

Officers Clifford Mann and Bradley Rumbley attended the Community Block Party at the Foster Street Community Career Center.



Governor Recognizes G.R.E.A.T. Program

A proclamation signed by Governor Bill Haslam named October 1, 2014 as Choose to Be GREAT Day in recognition of the program's outreach to at-risk youth.



In honor of Choose to Be Great Day, School Resource Officers organized several events at area schools.



Bike Training

Twenty Metro police officers completed the five day International Police Mountain Bike Association (IPMBA) course at South Precinct September 29-October 3.



Precinct News

East

The two convicted felons who engaged in a brazen shootout with one another outside the Citgo station at 3056 Dickerson Pike will be prosecuted by the United States Government and will spend tonight in the Metro Jail as federal detainees.

The two are identified as (1) **Todd Lewis McQuiddy**, 31, who was convicted on a state felony cocaine charge in 2006, as well as a federal gun possession charge in 2008; and (2) **Darius Montez Edwards**, 24, who is currently on parole for 2006 convictions on charges of facilitating first-degree murder and facilitating attempted first-degree murder. Edwards received an effective 24-year sentence. He registered with the MNPD as an ex-con in June of this year. At the time of today's shooting, Edwards was free on \$13,500 bond in regard to a felony drug charge and an evading arrest count from August 29th.

The investigation to this point by East Precinct detectives shows that McQuiddy was in search of Edwards, believing that Edwards was the person who robbed him of \$4,000 and a cell phone outside his girlfriend's Glastonbury Road apartment on September 24th. McQuiddy saw Edwards outside the Citgo station at 10:45 a.m., pulled up and began shooting at Edwards through the windshield of the rented 2015 Toyota Camry McQuiddy was driving. Several of the rounds hit the awning over the gas pumps. Edwards fired several rounds at McQuiddy. The Camry appeared to have been hit at least three times. No persons were hit by any of the gunfire.

Metro Parks Officer Darrell Howse happened to be at the intersection of Dickerson Pike and Broadmoor when he heard the gunfire and immediately responded to the Citgo. Howse drew his weapon and ordered McQuiddy to stay put in the Camry until other officers arrived.

Detective Chad Young, who is assigned to the 20th Judicial District Drug Task Force, was also in the area and responded to the gunfire. He saw Edwards flee in a Nissan Altima and followed him to Dellway Villa Apartments. Upon seeing Detective Young, Edwards bailed from the Altima with a pistol, jumped a fence and tried to flee. Young gave chase and apprehended him. The gun was recovered nearby.

A Nashville man under indictment for murdering two persons in separate incidents on February 23rd and 24th is presently jailed in Louisville, Kentucky, with extradition to Tennessee pending.

Michael Dewayne Wright Jr., 21, is facing two counts of first-degree murder for the shooting deaths of Gregory Leon Johnson, 26, and Daresha Cole, 19.

Johnson was fatally wounded at 10:30 p.m. on February 23rd near the intersection of Joseph Avenue and Grace Street (East Precinct). He then drove a Volkswagen Jetta down Joseph Avenue and crashed through a fence on Salvation Army property at 631 Dickerson Pike.

Cole was fatally wounded at 2:15 a.m. on February 24th in the 3300 block of Chesapeake Circle (Madison Precinct) while seated inside her PT Cruiser.

Detectives believe that Johnson was shot during an attempted robbery and that Cole was subsequently killed because she knew the details of what had taken place.

Additional arrests have not been ruled out.

Wright is facing concealed weapon, cocaine and fleeing/evading charges in Louisville. Nashville police will be notified when those matters have been resolved.

West

The men suspected of robbing the Walgreens at 5600 Charlotte Pike were arrested after allegedly shoplifting items from a second Walgreens. Ronnie Thompson Jr., 29, and Gregg Lomonaco, 44, entered the Walgreens at 5600 Charlotte Pike at 4:15 a.m. and told the clerk they were robbing the store. They fled on foot with cash.

At 11:15 a.m., a loss prevention officer at Walgreens' 1804 Charlotte Pike location called police to report that two men who matched the suspect descriptions were taking items from the store without paying for them. Thompson, of Illinois Avenue, and Lomonaco, of Knoxville, were taken into custody.

They are each charged with aggravated robbery and trespassing.

Madison

Madison Precinct Flex officers & members of the police department's Special Response Team apprehended Woodland Hills escapee Kuyvonta Cain as he walked near the intersection of 12th Avenue North & Cass Street.

Cain was one of two teens still at large from the group escape that occurred on September 1. De'Mario Fisher, 17, is still on the run.

Madison Precinct Flex officers had been pursuing Cain most of the day. He was spotted on Doverside Drive earlier, but was able to get out of the area before a perimeter could be established. Officers then developed information that he was likely in the vicinity of 14th Avenue North. He was taken into custody without incident shortly thereafter.

Madison Precinct hosted a police vehicle display at Rivergate Mall, including a helicopter and mounted patrol.



Hermitage

Special cards and treats from preschoolers at Mt. Juliet Christian Academy were delivered to the precinct in recognition of Thank a Police Officer Day.



North

Accused convenience store serial robber Cameron Morton surrendered at the North Precinct and is jailed in lieu of \$150,000 bond. Morton, 19, had apparently gone to his hometown of Memphis before returning here.

Working from information provided through a Crime Stoppers tip, a task force of detectives identified Morton as the suspected gunman in a series of convenience market armed robberies in various parts of Nashville.

Morton is charged with two counts of aggravated robbery, one count of attempted aggravated robbery, and one count of aggravated assault stemming from:

- the robbery of Daily's Shell, 2112 Charlotte Avenue, on October 7;
- the robbery of Mapco, 2101 Murfreesboro Pike, on October 8; and
- the attempted robbery of Kwik Sak, 2804 West End Avenue, on October 9.

Additional charges are expected.

A search warrant was executed at Morton's dorm room in Boyd Hall on the TSU campus with the assistance of TSU Police. Morton was not present.

Detectives are also continuing in their efforts to identify an accomplice in the robberies who served as a lookout. Anyone knowing the identity of the accomplice or his whereabouts is urged to contact Crime Stoppers at 615-742-7463 or through an electronic tip by texting the word "CASH" along with the message to 274637 (CRIMES) or online at www.nashvillecrimestoppers.com. Those who contact Crime Stoppers can remain anonymous and qualify for a cash reward.

Central

During the execution of a narcotics search warrant at 1515B 21st Avenue North, Central Precinct undercover detectives seized 332 grams of marijuana, 76 grams of cocaine, and recovered three guns.

The cocaine and marijuana were discovered hidden in a compartment in the back of a kitchen drawer after police dog Striker alerted to the area.

The resident, parolee Derrick Dandridge, 35, was charged with felony possession of marijuana and cocaine in a drug-free school zone. Dandridge has previous convictions in Shelby County for aggravated assault, voluntary manslaughter, and drug possession. He is being held in lieu of \$83,000 bond.

His neighbor, convicted felon Antonio Graham, of 1515A 21st Avenue North, gave officers consent to search his apartment. Officers recovered three guns (two handguns were on a window sill next to the front door and the third handgun was found in a camera case inside a closet). He was charged with felon in possession of a handgun. Graham has previous felony drug convictions and for robbery. He is free on \$13,000 bond.



Midtown Hills

Quick response by officers to reports of a woman being beaten outside a Harding Place apartment complex led to the arrest of parolee Allen Bradford, 26, who now faces multiple charges.

When officers arrived, Bradford was attempting to leave the scene in a grey Impala. He bailed from the vehicle and was taken into custody after a foot pursuit. During the investigation, officers discovered that Bradford assaulted the victim, who was his girlfriend, held her against her will, and forcefully took her keys, phone and cash.

Bradford is charged with violating his parole, false imprisonment, robbery, domestic assault, and evading arrest. He has previous convictions for domestic assault and cocaine possession.

South

Alert police work by South Precinct Flex Officer Joe Hooper led to the apprehension of suspected bank robber Raymond Penn Jr. less than 15 minutes after the hold-up of the Region Bank branch at 5236 Hickory Hollow Parkway.

The robber entered the bank and passed a teller a note that demanded money. The teller complied and the robber, who was described as a black man in a trench coat with distinctive blemishes/bumps on his face, fled the scene.

Minutes later, Officer Hooper was at the intersection of Harding Place & Antioch Pike when he saw a driver with facial features that matched the description of those broadcast over

the police radio. Hooper stopped the car at Donelson Pike and Old Ezell Road. On the floorboard was a trench coat. Penn was subsequently positively identified as the robber.

Penn will be federally charged with bank robbery Friday by the FBI's Violent Crimes Task Force.

Accused murderer Javon Jolarry Spivey is back in Nashville and is being held in the Metro Jail in lieu of \$2.63 million bond.

Spivey, 24, was returned from Gulfport, Mississippi, where he was apprehended by a U.S. Marshal's Fugitive Task Force on September 12th.

Spivey is named in arrest warrants charging first-degree murder, attempted first-degree murder and especially aggravated robbery in connection with an August 30th home invasion and shooting death on Ascot Drive in Antioch that claimed the life of Charles Peterson, IV, 48. Peterson's mother, Ann, 70, was wounded. Spivey is also facing charges of aggravated robbery and especially aggravated kidnapping for pistol-whipping and robbing an employee of the Mapco store at 2301 Murfreesboro Pike on August 28th.

Spivey was on the TBI's Top Ten Most Wanted list. A tip to Nashville Crime Stoppers led to his arrest in Mississippi.

Specialized Investigations Division

An investigation begun in August by Specialized Investigations Division narcotics detectives into two major heroin distribution groups operating in the Nashville area culminated in the seizure of 8 pounds of heroin (worth more than \$400,000) more than \$80,000 cash, 12 vehicles, and the arrest of 10 individuals.

The two organizations are based in Mexico. Dispatchers in that country with 615 area code telephone numbers took orders from prospective heroin buyers and arranged for drivers here to meet customers in parking lots throughout the city.

The arrests began when undercover officers arrested Noah Lepisto, 26, and David Hummel, 28, both of Nashville, for delivering/selling heroin.

Based on information received over the past 2 months, detectives executed a search warrant at the Enclave Circle home of Keaton Joel Elwell, 28. A significant amount of heroin, 1 gun and money were recovered. Elwell was charged with possession of heroin for resale, selling heroin, and unlawful gun possession.

Edward Hunter, 40, of Madison, was under surveillance as he met with two persons inside a local mall and accepted cash from them. Hunter then met with an individual at nearby restaurant and transferred the money to that person for the purchase of 2 pounds of heroin. The heroin and cash were seized. Hunter was arrested. A subsequent search of Hunter's apartment led to the seizure of additional cash. Hunter is charged with engaging in a heroin conspiracy and possession of heroin for resale.

Detectives arrested members of both organizations as they attempted to distribute heroin in various public parking lots.

Members of one group, Pedro Perez, 19, Fredy Barrios, 25, Joe Arellano, 21, and Daniel Dodson, 39, were taken into custody in a grocery store parking lot on Lebanon Pike in Hermitage. A search warrant was then executed at 805 Bradley Place in Hermitage (Barrios' residence) where large quantities of heroin and cash were seized.

Also, members of the second group, Phillip Anciani, 48, and Roberto Bogarin, 40, were taken into custody in a parking lot at Murfreesboro Pike and Thompson Lane as they were in the process of selling heroin. Detectives believe that Anciani and Bogarin have been distributing heroin in the area for more than two months through meetings with customers in various locations throughout South Nashville and Brentwood. After their arrests, these two were taken to their base of operation at a local motel where more than 2 pounds of heroin and a large amount of money were seized.

“Heroin abuse in Nashville and throughout the United States is on the rise as abusers of prescription pain killers seek more potent and cheaper highs,” Chief Steve Anderson said. “Law enforcement and medical professionals across the country are extremely concerned about the heroin influx due to the large number of overdoses and deaths in communities large and small. Heroin interdiction investigations will remain a priority of this police department.”



Seized heroin & cash

Specialized Investigations Division narcotics detectives arrested two men for allegedly trafficking more than two pounds of crystal methamphetamine from Georgia to Nashville.

Michael Lee Dill, 31, of Sandy Creek Road, and Zachary Mendenhall, 25, of Riceville, Tennessee, are each charged with possessing meth for resale. They are being held in lieu of \$100,000 bond each.

Dill and Mendenhall were stopped by Interdiction Unit officers on I-24 west near Bell Road in separate SUVs based on information received from confidential sources. Mendenhall was closely following Dill. Inside Mendenhall's vehicle was a box with Dill's name on it. The box held two Tupperware containers, each filled with one pound of meth.

These arrests are part of a continuing methamphetamine investigation.



Seized methamphetamine

A 15-pound bundle of marijuana wrapped with peanut butter, Vaseline and plastic. That's what Interstate Interdiction Unit Officer Thomas Spence discovered in the rear of a rental van that was stopped Tuesday afternoon for following too closely and making improper lane changes on I-40 near Bellevue.

The passenger in the minivan, Ivan Squire, 34, of Hamilton, Virginia, admitted to traveling from Virginia to Texas to purchase the marijuana at a wholesale price of \$8,250. He said he expected to double his investment by reselling it in Virginia.

Squire is charged with possessing marijuana for resale. His bond is set at \$76,000.

Squire claimed full responsibility for the marijuana. His girlfriend, who was driving the minivan at the time of the stop, was not charged.



Specialized Investigations Division narcotics detectives Wednesday evening charged three persons with manufacturing and possessing meth at 4645 Artelia Drive in Antioch.

A consent search of the basement area of the residence led to the discovery of meth lab remnants, including plastic bottles used for manufacturing meth, Drano, lithium battery shells,

cold compression packs, pseudoephedrine and aquarium tubing. Also located was a book that contained a recipe for meth making. Eight grams of meth were also seized from the scene.

Jailed are John Wesley Carpenter, 39 (\$71,000 bond), Melinda Sweeney, 31 (\$71,000 bond), and Shane Chaloux, 24 (\$60,000). Carpenter acknowledged to making meth for profit. All three defendants had a pattern of purchasing pseudoephedrine that is consistent with meth manufacturing. Chaloux was convicted in May 2013 of promoting the manufacture of meth and unlawful gun possession. He received a two-year suspended sentence.



Training Division



MNPD recruits visit Nashville's Holocaust Memorial as part of their Cultural Diversity & Civil Rights training.



Session 76 participated in the Heart Walk/Run

The following officers have been chosen Police, Patrol, Investigator, and Special Operation officers of the month for September 2014.

Police

Midtown Hills Precinct Officers William Chambers and Ryan Potts

Patrol

East Precinct Officers Zachary White and Greg Lyons

Investigator

South Precinct Detective David Bruce

Special Operations

Canine Officer Spencer Harris

Congratulations:

Leland Greer and his wife, Amber, welcomed their daughter, Avery Elise Greer, born on October 16th.

Officer Joshua Hollins, Central Precinct, and his wife, Kayla, welcomed their son Jack, born on September 22nd.

Officer Billy Estes, Madison Precinct, and Detective Patricia Estes, Youth Services, are the proud grandparents of Nora Alyse Hutchison born on October 13th.

Condolences:

Retired Officer Michael Singleton, who served from 1971-1992, passed away on September 26th.

Sheldon Sofer, the father of Detective Michael Sofer, Youth Services, passed away on September 26th.

Ruth Richards, the grandmother of Officer Jason Rader, Training Division, passed away.

William T. Tuttle, the father-in-law of Officer Carey Steel, Traffic Division, passed away on September 28th.

Retired Officer Hank Meek, who served from 1974-2002, died on October 2nd.

Morris "Buzzy" Hyde, the father of Lieutenant Floyd Hyde, Special Operations Division, passed away on October 7th.

Bertie "Pee Wee" Johnson, the father- in-law of Regina Johnson, Records Division, passed away on October 9th.

FYI

Last year the Christmas Basket Program provided food and toys to 176 families, including 214 adults and 475 children. Additionally, the program provided 62 baskets of food for elderly persons.

If you have a neighborhood group, business, or civic group that would like to partner with the Christmas Basket Program, please contact "Chief Elf" Hermitage Precinct Commander Michele Donegan at 615- 880-1776.

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