



MNPD NEWSLINE

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News from the Chief



Mayor Dean had high praise for the men and women of the police department during our budget hearing with him on Monday morning. He is very much aware of, and clearly indicated his deep appreciation for, your demonstrated outstanding work. The mayor remarked that, as he travels about the city, he hears frequent compliments about the police department's partnership with neighborhoods and businesses. Clearly, your collective professionalism, integrity and credibility are responsible for making this a great law enforcement agency.

After carefully analyzing our needs for the fiscal year that begins July 1, the police department requested an additional \$8.2 million. More than half of that money is needed to cover the costs of the 50 officers who were hired nearly three years ago with federal COPS grant funding (the grant will expire this year). It was that 50 officer expansion that allowed the police department to open the Madison Precinct. Mayor Dean on Monday expressed his full support for funding those officers with local dollars.

Also included in our budget request is \$1.3 million to hire 20 crime lab scientists in January of next year and to purchase laboratory chemicals and supplies. Our police department's first-ever full service crime lab is projected to open next April and will be using cutting edge technology to help us identify even more criminals. The potential exists for our lab to work more than 1,000 DNA cases per year. About 300 of those could be related to sexual assaults and other violent crime. More than two thirds could be property crimes, something the TBI just isn't presently able to work given its statewide caseload. In addition to DNA, personnel assigned to the new lab will have expertise in ballistics, toxicology, evidence processing and fingerprint analysis.

The police department's budget proposal requests an additional \$963,300 to fund three trainee classes at the academy next fiscal year (essentially a continuation of our aggressive hiring program so that we maintain full sworn staffing) and an additional \$246,000 to fund the special events overtime program so that officers are not taken out of neighborhoods to provide

protection for Nashville's expanding special events (such as the New Year's Eve Bash, the CMA Music Fest, the 4th of July Celebration and the Country Music Marathon).

Our request this year does not include funding to staff the upcoming Midtown Hills Precinct, which is now projected to open in late 2013/early 2014 on land at 12th Avenue South and Wade Avenue. The property acquisition process is progressing for what will be the police department's 8th precinct.

This is clearly one of the most exciting times for the Metropolitan Police Department in my 37-year tenure. Thanks to the priorities and support of Mayor Dean and the Metro Council, combined with the confidence of Nashville's citizens, public safety in this city has a very promising future. Thank you all for everything you do. I will keep you updated on the budgeting process as it moves forward.

Happenings

Chief Steve Anderson and Deputy Chief Louise Kelton on March 16th paid a surprise visit to the East Precinct's evening shift roll call to recognize Officer Nicholas Kulp. It was Officer Kulp's first day back to work after he injured his hand March 5th while climbing a barbed wire fence in his successful half-mile foot pursuit of a murder suspect.



Chief Anderson presented Officer Kulp with a 2012 Chief's Coin for his exemplary and heroic work on behalf of East Nashville's citizens. Pictured (l-r) are Deputy Chief Kelton, East Precinct Lieutenant Mike Gilliland, Officer Kulp and Chief Anderson.

Opry Mills Mall Reopening

Sergeant Dan Ogren and Officer Emily Davies joined the MNPD's Honor Guard in Thursday morning's opening ceremony for the restored Opry Mills Mall.



Citizen Police Academy

Mayor Karl Dean and Chief Steve Anderson March 15th welcomed the 70 citizens enrolled in the 25th session of the Metropolitan Police Department's Citizen Police Academy.

Participants will meet on Tuesday nights for the next 12 weeks to learn about the intricacies of police work from the perspective of veteran Metro officers assigned to a variety of department components. Electives, including a ride along with an officer and basic firearm instruction, will also be offered.

Since the police department began offering Citizen Police Academy classes in 1995, 1,098 persons have graduated from the program.



Mayor Dean



Chief Anderson

Youth Camp Donation

Aircraft Service International Group (ASIG), with operations at the Nashville International Airport, showed their support for the work of the Andrew Jackson FOP Youth Camp with the presentation of a \$15,000 check at the National Fraternal Order Police headquarters.

General Manager of the Nashville Operations Eddie Blount presented the check to Chief Steve Anderson and members of the FOP Youth Camp. "The important connection between officers, Nashville's youth and the corporate community are vital in continuing the success of the department and this city," said Sergeant Robert O Weaver, President of Andrew Jackson Lodge 5 of the Fraternal Order of Police. "We appreciate the acknowledgement of years of work and dedication in improving the lives of Nashville's youth and the future work this donation will provide," Weaver said.



Aircraft Service International Group generously donates \$15,000 to benefit the FOP Youth Camp.

Volunteer Chaplain Program

Chaplain James Duke visited LUZ 900 AM Hispanic Radio on Thursday morning to talk about the MNPd's Volunteer Chaplain Program and to encourage Latino clergy members to join.



The Precinct News

Hermitage

Kentucky fugitive William C. Todd faces multiple criminal counts following his arrest on the roof of the powerhouse/cooling tower behind the Opryland Hotel.

Hermitage Precinct officers were called to Opryland property at 11:47 a.m. after a taxi driver reported that a man refused to pay the required fare and threatened him with a knife.

Opryland security witnessed the incident and followed the suspect, subsequently identified as William Todd, as he fled on foot to the powerhouse/cooling tower.

Canine Officer Brent Gibson, along with Hermitage Precinct Sergeant Robert Haught and Officers Mike Eva, Eric Knight and Keith Holley, devised a plan of action. Several of the officers climbed the ladder on the side of the powerhouse. Todd was found in a water pit. He was disarmed by the officers. The Metro Fire Department responded and assisted in removing Todd from the roof through the use of a basket and a ladder truck.

Todd, 24, was taken to a hospital to be checked out for apparent recent heroin use. He was medically cleared and has been booked on three counts of aggravated assault (for threatening the cab driver and two other men with a knife), theft of cab services and being a fugitive from justice out of Kentucky.



Officers and firefighters prepare to lower William Todd from the roof of Opryland's powerhouse.

South

Eight days of outstanding, focused police work by South Precinct officers and detectives led to Thursday afternoon's arrest of James Wesley Towry for entering a home in the Bradford Hills subdivision in the early morning hours of March 22, terrifying the 33-year-old female resident.

Towry, who was a total stranger to the Bradford Hills family, was taken into custody at his Brentwood landscaping job. He refused to be interviewed by detectives and is being booked on a felony charge of aggravated burglary.

Towry, 30, of 140 Ridgewood Drive in Brentwood, is accused of entering a home in the 6000 block of Bradford Hills Drive through an open garage door at approximately 2:30 a.m. on March 22. The 33-year-old resident and mother was lying in bed watching television. Her two children, a seven-year-old boy and nine-year-old girl, were asleep across the hall. The victim got up after hearing her children's bedroom door open. She found both children sound asleep. After seeing something in her peripheral vision and turning toward the children's bedroom closet, the victim was horrified to see a man, now alleged to be Towry, hiding inside the closet. She screamed and the man fled the bedroom. She described him as being a white man who had a short military-style haircut and wore a red sleeveless shirt.

Using the description provided by the victim, day shift Flex officers and detectives from the South Precinct worked diligently to identify the suspect. Towry was developed. The victim positively identified him from a photo lineup as the individual who was in the home.

In a disturbing 2001 case, Towry was convicted of stalking and telephone harassment. That year, a resident of Crestfield Drive in South Nashville reported that a man had been repeatedly calling his 27-year-old daughter speaking obscenities. The resident believed it was the same person who showed up in his backyard nude except for a mask over his face. Towry received 60-day sentences for each of the two charges.

Towry was convicted of aggravated criminal trespassing and misdemeanor assault in Rutherford County following his arrest in the restroom of a women's high rise dormitory at MTSU in the early morning hours of October 24, 2001.

State records reflect that Towry was convicted of criminally negligent homicide in Williamson County in 2006. He also has arrests for DUI and other driving offenses in Williamson County.

Towry is jailed in lieu of \$50,000 bond.

South Precinct detectives are charging transient Eric Linnell with criminal homicide in connection with the February 29th murder of Hugh Hunt at a homeless camp near the I-65 Harding Place northbound exit ramp.

Hunt, 55, was found brutally beaten by one of his friends. Evidence collected at the crime scene has now been analyzed by the TBI Crime Laboratory. The results of DNA testing link Linnell to Hunt's murder.

Linnell was identified March 2nd as the man last seen with Hunt before he died. He has been jailed since March 4th when he was arrested for trespassing underneath an 11th Avenue North bridge.

Diligent and determined work by the South Precinct's investigations team led to the arrest of two of the four suspects, and the identification of a third, who kidnapped, assaulted and robbed a newspaper deliveryman and his friend in Antioch on March 17th.

The two victims in this case, both 24, were walking to an apartment in the Hickory Trace complex between 3:30 a.m. and 4 a.m. when they were approached by two men who spoke with distinctive African accents. The victims said they could not understand what the two were saying. One of the suspects struck one of the victims, causing his friend to throw a cup of coffee into the suspect's face. The victims said two more suspects appeared and started beating them. One of suspects then pulled a large knife and forced the victims into a small, dark, older model four-door car.

For approximately the next hour to 75 minutes, the victims were driven to ATM machines in the immediate Hickory Hollow area. They were forced to give the suspects their PIN numbers and money was withdrawn. Shortly after 5 a.m., the suspects ordered the victims out of the vehicle on a remote section of Franklin Limestone Road. After the suspects drove away, the victims walked to a home on Billingsgate Drive from where police and an ambulance were called.

The two victims were taken to Vanderbilt University Medical Center where they were treated for serious injuries.

On March 19th, SWAT officers assigned to the Special Response Team, working in conjunction with South Precinct detectives, arrested 21-year-old Duol Wal without incident at

his 3009 Beechmist Way home. He is charged with especially aggravated kidnapping, especially aggravated robbery and four counts of aggravated rape.

Also arrested in the case was 15-year-old Tut Tut, who is believed to be Duol Wal's cousin. He was taken into custody at a Nashville high school and is now confined at juvenile detention on charges of especially aggravated kidnapping, especially aggravated robbery and two counts of aggravated rape.

The third suspect in this case has been identified as 18-year-old Yangreek Wal, Duol Wal's brother. Warrants for his arrest are outstanding.



South Precinct Community Coordinator Sgt. Taylor Schmitz visits St. Ignatius School.

East

Investigation by East Precinct detectives led to the arrest of Rimon Botrous, 20, and his employees, Kerols Karout, 22, and Mounir Ibrahim, 20, for knowingly purchasing what were represented as stolen gift cards at Botrous' three Gallatin Pike cell phone store locations:

- Tornado Wireless at 1401 Gallatin Pike
- Tennessee Wireless at 2828 Gallatin Pike
- Tennessee Wireless at 513 Gallatin Pike in Madison

They are alleged to have bought more than \$6,000 worth of gift cards for just \$819 during the investigation. Botrous is charged with six counts of felony theft and one count of misdemeanor theft. He is being held in lieu of \$26,000 bond. Karout is charged with three counts of felony theft and Ibrahim is charged with two counts of felony theft.

All cell phones and electronics were seized from the three stores as part of the investigation.

North

Officer Alfredo Arevalo attempted to stop the driver of a Dodge Ram pickup on Whites Creek Pike at Trinity Lane for a seatbelt violation. The truck did not stop and took off at a high rate of a speed. Officers soon stopped the suspect vehicle but the driver had fled, and his passenger was behind the wheel. Further investigation led to the identification and arrest of the original driver, Devion Campbell, 20, who was located on Flintlock Court standing next to a Dodge Stratus. Recovered from the Dodge were 36.2 grams of marijuana, 37 grams of cocaine and 171 Xanax pills.

Campbell is charged with felony drug possession in a drug-free school zone and evading arrest.

Officer Jason Frank approached four persons in Hadley Park when he detected a strong odor of marijuana inside their car. Seized during a subsequent search of the vehicle were a loaded nine-millimeter handgun, two sets of digital scales and 18.2 grams of marijuana.

Coordinated police work led to the arrest of two teens who admitted to burglarizing two homes on Scovel and Albion Streets.

North Precinct Flex officers quickly responded and spotted the suspects, both 16, near an alley on Hermosa Street. Officers checked several vacant houses searching for the teens before they conducted a Knock and Talk on the 2100 block of Hermosa Street where both suspects were located and taken into custody.

Officers recovered items taken during the burglaries including six TVs, two laptop computers and three Xbox game systems. The stolen property was returned to the homeowners. Both teens are charged in Juvenile Court with two counts of burglary each.

A citizen's tip combined with outstanding police work led to the arrest of three burglary suspects after they allegedly broke into a Woodward Drive home.

A witness saw three teens enter the house through a side window just before 11 a.m. and carry out a large screen T.V. They drove off in a red Chevrolet Impala. She called police and provided officers with a partial tag number of the getaway car which led to the identification of the driver, Gregore Raybon, 18, by North Precinct Flex officers who stopped the car just 30 minutes later on Trinity Lane near Whites Creek Pike. Raybon and two 17-year-old passengers were taken into custody. The T.V. and a Sony PlayStation were found inside the car and returned to the homeowner. Officers also recovered a loaded nine millimeter handgun.

All three are charged with aggravated burglary. Additionally, Raybon, of 63rd Avenue North, is charged with unlawful handgun possession, contributing to the delinquency of a minor and possession of drug paraphernalia (digital scales). He is being held in lieu of \$45,000 bond.

The 17-year-olds were truant from Whites Creek High School.

Madison

The Madison Chamber of Commerce hosted the Great American Cleanup Day on March 24th. More than 50 volunteers, including retired detective and Metro Council Member Bill Pridemore, Madison Precinct Commander Brian Johnson, Lt. Jimmy Wheeler, Lt. Dana Lyon, Sgt. Mitch Kornberg, Sgt. James Vivrette, Officer Pete Lynch, and their families, canvassed the community picking up a total of 235 bags of trash.



Madison Precinct personnel and their families participate in Great American Cleanup Day.

Natasha Nance, 27, who is suspected of being a member of a shoplifting ring targeting T.J. Maxx stores, surrendered herself to police on March 26 on a felony theft warrant. Nance is believed to be one of the four persons (two men and two women) who this month have taken items including designer purses from five Middle Tennessee T.J. Maxx stores including two in Nashville.

Clearing another felony theft case, Madison Precinct detectives arrested Christy Davis, a suspect in the thefts of Dyson vacuum cleaners from four different Target stores in the Middle Tennessee area. She and a second suspect took the vacuums to area pawn shops and sold them for \$200.

An arrest warrant charging felony aggravated assault has been issued against Ashleigh Cox, the suspected shoplifter who sideswiped a Madison Precinct detective sergeant in the parking lot of Rivergate Mall on the evening of March 19th.

Madison detectives arrested Jason Howard, 20, who is charged with robbing an E. Webster Street homeowner at knifepoint and is a suspect in other hold-ups in the area. In a separate case, convicted robber William Henderson, 26, was arrested for allegedly walking up to a man in a parking lot and attempting to rob him at gunpoint.

Construction is coming along on the new Madison Precinct. Even though it is currently a shell, progress has been made. The first floor will be the Madison Police Precinct complete with a community room. The second floor will house the DNA/Crime Lab.



Madison Precinct and crime lab under construction.

West

Officer Gregory Lindstrom stopped the driver of a Volkswagen Jetta, Michael DeCristoforo, for failing to have two working headlights. DeCristoforo, 30, appeared to be very nervous and after further investigation Officer Lindstrom learned the driver is a known drug user and dealer. After DeCristoforo denied consent to search the car, a canine unit was requested. The police dog alerted to the presence of narcotics in the vehicle. Seized in a subsequent search were 3.3 grams of crystal methamphetamine in multiple baggies.

DeCristoforo was charged with intent to sell a schedule II drug. His car was also seized.

A citizen's tip led to the arrest of four teens accused of breaking into two Doge Place apartments. Officers quickly responded to the burglary in progress and took three suspects into custody. The fourth was later captured after he emerged from a wooded area. The teens, ages 15, 16, 18 and 19, are each charged with aggravated burglary.

Central

A citizen complaint about possible drug activity at an Arthur Avenue home resulted in the arrest of convicted felon Joseph Stoll, 27, who is now charged with repeatedly burglarizing the 15th Avenue Baptist Church at 1203 9th Avenue North.

Central Precinct undercover detectives performed a Knock and Talk at Stoll's residence. During a consent search of the house, officers recovered a safe that had been taken March 22nd during a burglary at the church.

Stoll admitted to that break-in and to burglarizing the church twice in February. He is now charged with three counts of burglary. His girlfriend, Andrea Mendoza, 24, is charged with facilitation of burglary for her involvement.

Stoll has previous robbery and burglary convictions.

Gang Unit, Cold Case-Homicide & Precinct Investigations

A federal jury in Nashville has convicted two Bloods gang members for their roles in the murder of three individuals, a racketeering conspiracy and committing firearms offenses.

Keairus Wilson, 22, aka "Key-Thang," of Nashville, and Rondarius Williamson, 21, also of Nashville, were convicted in U.S. District Court in Nashville.

Wilson was found guilty on eight counts, including the murders of Michael Goins and Alexandra Franklin. He also was convicted of racketeering conspiracy, using and carrying firearms during and in relation to crimes of violence, and conspiracy to use and carry firearms during and in relation to crimes of violence.

Williamson was found guilty on seven counts, including the murder of Andreus Taylor. He also was convicted of racketeering conspiracy, using and carrying firearms during and in relation to crimes of violence, and conspiracy to use and carry firearms during and in relation to crimes of violence.

"This Nashville jury has convicted two dangerous members of the Bloods gang for acts of murder and other violent crimes," said Assistant Attorney General Lanny Breuer of the U.S. Justice Department's Criminal Division. "The evidence showed, among other things, that Mr. Wilson shot and killed two people and Mr. Williamson shot and killed another person. For their terrorizing conduct, they now each face mandatory life prison terms. To date, 37 individuals have pleaded guilty or been convicted at trial in Nashville for their involvement with the Bloods."

This case was investigated by the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department's Gang Unit, Cold Case-Homicide Unit, precinct-based detectives and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives, with assistance from the U.S. Marshals Service, the LaVergne Police Department and the Davidson County Sheriff's Office.

According to evidence presented at trial, Wilson and Williamson were both members of the Bloods, a violent street gang that originated in Los Angeles in the 1970s and ultimately migrated to cities throughout the United States, including Nashville. The Bloods gang has a hierarchal structure and a long-term and often lethal rivalry with the Crips gang.

From approximately 2006 until December 2011, Bloods gang members committed and conspired to commit acts of murder, attempted murder, robbery and drug trafficking. Evidence at trial showed that the Bloods gang members met regularly to plan and agree upon the crimes to commit, including murder; maintained and circulated a collection of firearms for use in criminal activity by Bloods members; distributed cocaine, cocaine base, marijuana and hydromorphone; and used the proceeds of those drug transactions to help finance the gang's illegal activities. Bloods gang members committed murder and other acts of violence against rival gang members and others during the course of the conspiracy.

According to evidence presented at trial, Wilson and Williamson committed or conspired to commit numerous racketeering acts, including shooting at three different individuals and possessing and selling drugs. In addition, evidence specifically showed that Wilson shot and killed Goins on June 14, 2008, and shot and killed Franklin on July 19, 2008. Evidence also showed that Williamson shot and killed Taylor on May 18, 2009, and robbed and carjacked an individual on Oct. 31, 2009.

Lonnie Greenlee, co-founder of the Galaxy Star Drug Awareness and Gang Prevention Center in Nashville and father of lead defendant Lonnie Newsome, allowed Bloods gang members to use the facility to conduct gang meetings. According to evidence presented at trial, Greenlee provided numerous Bloods gang members with fraudulent documentation of court-ordered community service hours in exchange for money. Greenlee pleaded guilty in May 2011 to one count of racketeering conspiracy. His sentencing is scheduled for April 2, 2012.

Specialized Investigations Division

For the second time in less than two months, undercover detectives have put a stop to the activities of a drug organization that has been distributing heroin throughout the Nashville area. This group was well stocked. The heroin seized carries an estimated wholesale value of \$500,000.

After several undercover buys and countless surveillance hours, narcotics detectives assigned to the Specialized Investigations Division today identified and arrested the organization's "dispatcher" who would take orders from heroin customers, and the primary courier who would make the deliveries.

Adrian Gonzalez Ortega, 35, also known as dispatcher "Alejandra," and a man claiming to be Juan Alvarez Garcia, the courier, were arrested inside a unit at Mission Priest Apartments on Bell Road. Recovered from the apartment were seven ounces of brown powder heroin, a large number of small balloons filled with heroin ready for street distribution, several phones, electronics and \$13,500 cash.

A search of the vehicles used by the organization yielded another 3.3 pounds of brown powder heroin, making today's total seizure approximately 4 pounds.

After the arrests of Ortega and Garcia, detectives used their phones to receive heroin orders from 13 customers. Undercover officers posing as couriers met those persons in various Nashville neighborhoods today and issued them state misdemeanor citations for attempting to purchase heroin.

Another courier tied to this organization, Alberto Ruiz, 31, was arrested by West Precinct undercover detectives on the afternoon of March 9th after making a heroin delivery on Todd Pries Drive. A total of 38 small heroin-filled balloons were recovered from Ruiz. He is jailed in lieu of \$90,000 bond.

Garcia has been identified through his fingerprints as Oscar Martinez-Gonzalez, 24, who was arrested by Metro police for distributing heroin in August 2011. He was convicted last October and received a nine-year probated sentence to be served through the Community Corrections Program. This man's true name has not been determined, as the FBI knows him to be Jose Eduardo Ramirez. Regardless, this person is now in the custody of the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, as is Adrian Gonzalez Ortega. Both will be prosecuted federally given the amount of heroin involved.

In January, three men were arrested for running a similar heroin distribution operation out of a home on Saturn Drive.



Less than three weeks after registering with the Metropolitan Police Department as a federal ex-convict on supervised release, Marquis Lemoire Dunn is back behind bars.

Gang Unit Detective James King stopped Dunn, who was driving a 2001 Mercury Grand Marquis, at 7:15 p.m. on March 21st for speeding on Briley Parkway near McGavock Pike. During the stop, Dunn, 35, of Santa Maria Cove in Madison, admitted that he was presently on federal probation for a drug conviction. Detective King asked Dunn if there was anything illegal in the vehicle. Dunn ultimately replied, "In the trunk." Inside the trunk was a shoebox containing six plastic baggies of cocaine weighing a total of 1.7 pounds. In the backseat of the car was another shoebox containing \$50,000 in cash. That was in addition to the \$721 in cash Dunn was carrying.

Dunn is presently jailed in lieu of \$150,000 bond for possessing nearly two pounds of cocaine for resale. He is also facing potential sanctions from the federal courts.

Technical Investigation Section

Members of the Technical Investigation team attended a course on bloodstain pattern identification, a critical tool in crime scene analysis.

Basic Bloodstain Pattern Identification



Instructor Jan Johnson
Lieutenant Frank Ragains, MNPD
Deputy Chief Louise Kelton, MNPD
CST Sharon Tilley, MNPD
Chief Steve Anderson, MNPD
CST Lynnette Mace, MNPD
Tom Anderson, SLCPD



Claudemir Dias, SP Brazil
CST Charles Linville, MNPD
Sergeant John Nicholson, MNPD
CST George Ward, MNPD
Sergeant Lance Suggs, MNPD
CST George Bouton, MNPD
Alex Ursini, CP Brazil

Training Academy

Session 67





Defensive tactics



Vehicle stop



Officer Mike Fisher handcuffed during foot pursuit training.



CPR training.



Physical training on Whites Creek greenway.



Members of Session 67 work on carry techniques for injured persons.

Retirement Celebrations Reflect a Combined 129 Years of Service

Detective Norris Tarkington celebrates 32 years of dedicated service



Chief Anderson congratulates Detective Norris Tarkington.

Officer Steve Underwood celebrates 32 years of dedicated service



Madison Precinct Commander Brian Johnson congratulates Officer Underwood on his retirement.

Officer Mike Sawyers celebrates 33 years of dedicated service



Pictured (l-r) are Lt. Keith Stephens, Chief Anderson, Officer Sawyers and Captain Dhana Jones.

Sergeant Scott Robinson celebrates 32 years of dedicated service



Sgt. Robinson pictured with a congratulatory “dancing bear” cake. Central Precinct Commander Jason Reinbold presented Sgt. Robinson with a commemorative plaque.

The following officers in the Field Operation Bureau were chosen Investigator, Patrol, Police and Special Operations Officer of the Month for February 2012

Patrol Officer of the Month
Central Precinct Officer Paul Sorace

Police Officer of the Month
West Precinct Officer Gbewa Mustapha

Investigator of the Month
East Precinct Detective Brian Brown

Special Operations Officer of the Month
Aviation Unit Officer Johnny Hansel

The following civilians were chosen Employees of the Month for January, February and March 2012

January
Executive Assistant to Deputy Chief Damian Huggins Vanessa Sponaugle

February
Secondary Employment Unit Police Operations Assistant Julian Sampedro

March
Administration Services Officer Mickie Sherrell

From the District Attorney's Office

Director of Communications Susan Niland

A judge sentenced convicted killer Demeko Duckworth to serve at least 108 years in prison for the July 2010 murder of his girlfriend Asia Wade and her cousin Clarence Goins.

A jury in February found Duckworth guilty of two counts of first degree murder, one count of attempted homicide and one count of employing a firearm during a felony.

Criminal Court Judge Cheryl Blackburn Wednesday sentenced Duckworth to a total of 108 years in prison, including two life sentences of at least 51 years each to be served consecutively, a 22-year sentence for attempted homicide and a six-year sentence on the gun charge.

Congratulations:

Officer Benjamin Holman, North Precinct, and his wife, Elizabeth, are the proud new parents of a baby boy, Matthew Scott Holman.

Officer Samuel Tetterton, South Precinct, and Julie Carter, ECC dispatcher, are the proud new parents of a baby boy, Samuel Aiden Tetterton, who was born on March 24th.

Detective Fred Nelson, East Precinct, is the proud new father of Andre Nelson who was born on March 26th.



Condolences:

Officer Dustin Maynard passed away on March 13th. Dustin was a veteran of the U.S. Army Reserves. A fund has been created for his children, Bryson, 6, and Presleigh, 2, at the MPD Community Credit Union. The account is under the name of Dustin's wife, Brittany Maynard. Donations may be made at:

MPD Community Credit Union
2711 Old Lebanon Road
Donelson, TN 37214

Angelo Garafola, father of retired Sergeant Mark Garafola, passed away on March 9th.

Newton S. Holiday, Jr., the father of Ernesto "Doc" Holiday, South Precinct, passed away on March 15th.

Retired Officer William D. Rose passed away on March 10th. Officer Rose retired in 1989 after 21 years of service.

Lucille Rigney, the stepmother of School Crossing Section Sergeant Brenda Steinbrecher and mother-in-law of Canine Sergeant Kerry Fowler, passed away on March 15th.

Dolly Knight, the mother of retired officer Jimmy Knight and the mother-in-law of retired Sergeant David Elmore, passed away on March 15th.

Retired Officer Oscar Clell Davison passed away on March 17th. He retired from the MNPD in 1993 after 24 years of service.

Donna Sarver, the mother- in-law of SWAT Officer Brian Gregory passed away on March 18th.

Retired Captain James David (J.D.) Roberts passed away on March 19th.

Walter Fields, the grandfather of Session 68 Trainee Brian Etchison, passed away on March 18th.

FYI:

Promotion Process Important Dates & Information

Metro Human Resources, in collaboration with the promotional consultants (CWH) will be administering these exams and assessment centers. While Capt. Mike Hagar serves as the MNPD liaison to Metro HR for the process, Ms. Mary Emigh is the assigned Metro HR coordinator. If you have any questions or concerns moving forward, please email Ms. Mary Emigh with Metro HR or Capt. Mike Hagar.

Sergeant

FINAL FILING DATE: 4/16/12

- The reading list/bibliography for the written exam has been electronically published on MNPD bulletin boards. For your convenience and as an option to the digital version, printed copies will be available for pick-up at the HR Recruitment Center, 222 Third Avenue North, Suite 158.
- The orientation sessions will be held at the South Precinct Community Room – Session 1 on Thursday, April 19th at 2:00 p.m. and Session 2 on Friday, April 20th

at 9:00 a.m. Orientation handouts have been already been distributed to candidates via email and by posting on the electronic bulletin board.

- A minimum number of 75 candidates plus ties will be sent to the assessment center.
- The written examination is scheduled for Monday July 2rd, 2012 at the Municipal Auditorium.
- The Assessment Center is scheduled for August 9-10 and the week of August 13-16, 2012 at Lake Providence Baptist Church.

Lieutenant

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- A minimum of 30 candidates will be sent to the Assessment Center.
- The written exam will be administered on Tuesday July 3rd, 2012 at the Municipal Auditorium.
- The Assessment Center is tentatively scheduled for September 7 and the week of September 10-14, 2012 at Lake Providence Baptist Church.

Captain

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ALSO INCLUDED IS PHARMA TRASH DISPOSAL


The improper use of prescription medication should be a concern to everyone. Metro police officers will be on site to collect the prescription medications that you no longer need and we will properly dispose of them to protect our environment.


Metro Nashville Police Department's Auto Theft Unit Offers VIN Etching:

The MNPD's Auto Theft Unit will be teaming up with Crime Stoppers for VIN etching during this year's event at LP Field. These etchings will be performed free with a \$10 donation to **Nashville Crime Stoppers, Inc.**

VIN etching involves the use of acid to etch your vehicle identification number (VIN) into every window of your vehicle and is used as an anti-theft deterrent. It not only provides law enforcement with easy access to your VIN number in the unlikely event your car is stolen, it also provides identification of your car if it happens to be sold for parts. For more information on the VIN etching, please contact the Auto Theft Unit, 862-7612 or 862-7609.

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