

September 28, 2012

News from the Chief



As you know, a major crime detection/prevention strategy of the MNPD is vehicle stops. I watch this data very closely. When we closely monitor the location of the stops, insuring that our officers are where the crime data tells us we need to be ("hot spots"), the result will be favorable. That is evidenced by the continuing decrease in Part I Offenses over the last years, and this year is no exception. As of September 22, 2012, CompStat Week 38, there were 24,709 Part I Offenses reported compared to 26,562 for the same period in

2011—a decrease of 7 percent.

I also use vehicle stops as somewhat of a barometer of the motivation of officers on the front line. At least 99 percent of the time, vehicle stops are self-initiated activity. Year to date 2012 (Week 38), there have been 332,509 vehicle stops. This compares to 289,913 for the same period in 2011. There has been a steady increase in this self-initiated activity over the years:

•	2011	Approximately 389,000 vehicle stops.
•	2010	Approximately 312,000 vehicle stops.
•	2009	Approximately 282,000 vehicle stops.
•	2008	Approximately 294,000 vehicle stops.

I am aware that the vehicle stop strategy is often misunderstood by the public, and, sometimes, by our own personnel. Because we are highly visible, and the public is consistently and continually seeing blue lights and cars pulled to the side of the road, they surmise that a traffic citation is being issued on each occasion. The fact is, a citation is issued 16 percent of the time. This translates to approximately one (1) citation for every six vehicle stops conducted. We need to be more clear with this message.

Also interesting is the average number of traffic citations issued by each officer within the MNPD. The current average is 0.8 traffic citations per officer per week, or an average of 41.6 citations per officer per year.

I would expect our critics to immediately note that not all of our 1,373 sworn officers are out there writing tickets each day. That is correct. However, if we assume that just one half (687) of the MNPD sworn personnel routinely issue traffic citations, this doubles the 0.8 citations per week to 1.6 citations per week or 83.2 per officer each year.

Even if we were to assume that only one forth (1/4) of the MNPD sworn personnel routinely issue traffic citations, this quadruples the number to 3.2 citations per week or 166.4 citations per officer each year. Using this would amount to approximately 0.75 citations for each working day (using an average of 220 working days per year).

Note, also, information relating to citations issued by officers working Directed Mission One. After I heard it said that the only reason we continued the DMI program was so that traffic citations would be issued, I asked Matt Morley to do an analysis. On average, an officer working DMI issues one (1) traffic citation for each twenty five (25) shifts worked. We all know the value of the vehicle stop strategy and we all know the impact Directed Mission One has on the hot spots we focus on.

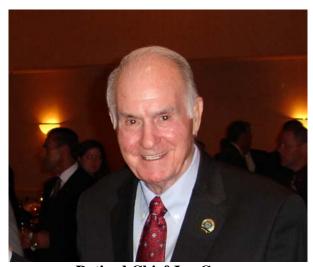
The bottom line is that our vehicle stop strategy is working. And, as we consistently say, the decision as to whether a citation is issued is left to the discretion of the officer.

Thank you for everything each of you does to enhance the safety of Nashville's families and our visitors.

Metro Council Plans Special Recognition for Retired Chief Joe Casey

The Metro Council on Tuesday night will honor retired Chief of Police Joe Casey by presenting him with a special copy of the ordinance that calls for the new West Precinct building at 5500 Charlotte Pike to be officially known as the Chief Joe D. Casey Building. The presentation will take place in the council chamber at 6:30 p.m. All are invited.

Chief Casey joined the Nashville police force in 1951. He served as Metro police chief from 1973 until his retirement in 1989.



Retired Chief Joe Casey

Happenings

The 2012 Law Enforcement Talent Showcase Tuesday night was a tremendous success raising an estimated \$10,000 for the Nashville Children's Alliance.

The talent showcase featured songs and dance by a number of Nashville police officers at B.B. King's Blues Club on 2nd Avenue downtown.

All proceeds raised benefitted the Nashville Children's Alliance, a non-profit organization that provides services to children who have been victimized by sexual or severe physical abuse.

In addition to the stage show, a silent auction offered a number of valuable items, including one year of gasoline donated by MAPCO (a \$1,700 value), hotel packages from a number of Nashville properties, including Loews Vanderbilt, Hutton, Renaissance and Sheraton, and autographed items from country and pop music superstars.

Nashville broadcasting veteran Harry Chapman again served as this year's master of ceremonies.



Mayor Dean and Chief Anderson welcomed the audience and thanked organizers and participants for making the fundraiser possible.



Host Harry Chapman introduces the performers to a full house.



Officer Henry Particelli



Canary Blue members pictured (l-r) are Officer Keith Holley, Shawna Hodges, and Officers Tiffany Rhea and Emily Davies.



Officer Calvin Graham



Travis Bibb



Showcase organizer West Precinct Commander Marlene Pardue (left) sings a duet with Deputy Chief Louise Kelton.



Retro Bob and Metro's Retros featuring retired Commander Bob Nash, Sgt. Dan Ogren, Joey Butler and Damon LaScot.

Mayor Dean & Community Leaders Congratulate New North Precinct Commander Terrence Graves Following His First Compstat Presentation





Mayor Dean expresses his confidence in Commander Graves and the entire MNPD command staff.



Commander Graves' friends and family join community leaders during his first compstat report.



Chief Anderson presents retired North Precinct Commander Anthony Carter with a commemorative blanket in recognition of his 38 years of dedicated service to the MNPD.



Retired Chief Emmett Turner congratulates Commander Graves.



Grand Avenue Announces Perpetual Gift to Nashville Police Support Fund

Grand Avenue, the leading ground transportation company in the Nashville area, has announced that it will donate \$1 per every reservation made to the Nashville Police Support Fund, which is housed within the Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee.

Grand Avenue CEO Carl Haley on September 14th presented Chief Steve Anderson with an initial check for \$1,500. The company's continuing donation to the Nashville Police Support Fund is expected to total at least \$2,000 each month.

"Our police department does tremendous work every day to keep our citizens and roadways safe," said Haley, a former police officer in Starkville, Mississippi. "By supporting the police fund, and through the creation of a new mobile app that makes it easier for persons to book transportation if they have had too much to drink, Grand Avenue is promoting a safer Nashville."

The app is available at GrandAvenueWorldwide.com/app and allows users to book travel from an iPhone, iPad or Android device. Individuals can also use the app to receive a quote on future trips, review details on past and scheduled trips, track the status of flights, chat live with customer service, or call Grand Avenue directly for last minute changes.

"Our police department is extremely grateful to Grand Avenue for this generous donation and for its commitment to support the fund for years to come," Chief Anderson said. "Our officers are on the streets every day risking their lives to promote public safety and protect Nashville's families and visitors. It means a lot when a local business like Grand Avenue steps forward and demonstrates its gratitude for their work."

The Nashville Police Support Fund was created in 2009 to fund higher education opportunities and other advanced training programs for Metro officers.



Chief Anderson talks with Grand Avenue CEO Carl Haley during a visit to the company's offices on September 14th.



Pictured with Chief Anderson and Mr. Haley are (l-r) Deputy Chief Louise Kelton, Community Foundation President Ellen Lehman and Deputy Chief Todd Henry.

Session 26 of Citizen Police Academy Underway

Mayor Karl Dean and Chief Steve Anderson kicked off the 26th session of the Citizen Police Academy by warmly welcoming the participants and thanking them for devoting their Thursday nights to learning more about the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department.

More than 50 Nashvillians are part of Session 26 of the Metropolitan Police Department's Citizen Police Academy, which began its 12-week run on September 13th. Participants will meet each Thursday from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. to hear from a variety of MNPD experts on topics such as Internet crime, traffic/DUI enforcement, gangs, domestic violence, crime prevention, identity theft, emergency preparedness and conducting criminal investigations. Class members will also have the opportunity to ride with on-duty patrol officers and attend demonstrations by specialized units.





MNPD Crime Lab Management Team Now in Place

The Metropolitan Police Department's crime laboratory management team is now in place and has begun making preparations in anticipation for the opening of the department's first-ever full service lab in mid-2013. Pictured (bottom row, l-r) are Phil Smith (Drug Identification Supervisor), Allen Smith (Information Technology Manager), Ann Talbot

(Quality Manager), Ray DePriest (Lab Director), Heather Watson (Business Manager), Larry Turner (Toxicology Supervisor);

(top row) Don Carman (Firearms Supervisor) and Tabitha Bandy (DNA Supervisor).



When it begins full operation, the MNPD Crime Laboratory will assist in enhancing Nashville's safety by:

- Decreasing Criminal Casework Turnaround Time
- Accessing Local, State and National DNA, Firearms & Fingerprint Databases
- Processing Evidence from Property Crimes
- Expediting Suspect Exclusions
- Expediting Communication and Reporting
- Decreasing the Backlog of Requests for TBI Forensic Services
- Increasing the Number of Victims Assisted
- Decreasing Costs to the Court System
- Decreasing the Number of Lengthy Trials

Hispanic Festival

The El Protector Program in partnership with the office of Nashville Mayor Karl Dean presented the 4th annual Hispanic Community Festival on September 22nd at Coleman Park on the corner of Nolensville Pike and Thompson Lane.



South Precinct Commander Mike Alexander addresses festival attendees with Mayor's Office of Neighborhoods Community Relations Coordinator Scott Wallace.

Battle of the Badges

Chief Anderson accepted the traveling "Battle of the Badges" plaque from Sheriff Daron Hall after police department personnel, family and friends made the most donations during the American Red Cross "Battle of the Badges" blood drive, a friendly competition between the MNPD, Sheriff's office and Fire department.



Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command

Special Operations Division Captain Dhana Jones and Hermitage Precinct Investigations Lieutenant Bob Bell graduated from a rigorous ten week course in police management at the highly respected Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command.



Pictured (l-r) are Lieutenant Doug Bell, his wife Barbara and Chief Anderson.



Pictured (I-r) are Freddie and Bloyce Swope, Captain Dhana Jones and Chief Anderson.

Drill & Ceremony Team Presents Colors at Titans Home Opener





Pictured (l-r) are Officer Michael Hotz, Detective Cliff Knight, Officer Joel Bontrager, Sgt. Morgan Ford and Officer Tevares Hockett.

The Precinct News

Hermitage

The partnership between Hermitage Precinct officers and citizens in the Cottage Lane/Dellrose Drive neighborhood led to the arrest of two men moments after they allegedly committed home burglaries on both streets.

A citizen called police at 6 p.m. to report that two men were attempting to break into a home in the 200 block of Cottage Lane. Sergeant Kurt Reddick and Officers Andrew Grega and John Wheeler quickly responded to the neighborhood. Sergeant Reddick saw the two suspects jump a fence behind a home on Dellrose Drive. Officers Grega and Wheeler chased and apprehended Omar Grant-Raines, 22, at Brookview Drive & Crestline Drive.

Sergeant Reddick then saw the second suspect, James Brennan Jones, 23, run east across Cottage Lane. Officer Grega began a chase of Jones and apprehended him on Revere Place.

The investigation revealed that after forcing a window to become ajar at the first home on Cottage Lane, the suspects went to a home in the 100 block of Dellrose Drive. The resident was in his living room when the two walked in. One of them was armed with a shotgun and demanded the victim's belongings. The victim struggled with the suspects and was able to run to a neighbor's home for help. Folks on the street called 911 and provided a description of the burglars and their direction of flight. By that time, the officers were already engaging in the chase.

Grant-Raines and Jones are charged with two counts of aggravated burglary, aggravated assault, resisting arrest and evading arrest. Grant-Raines is being held in lieu of \$160,000 bond. Jones' bond is set at \$181,000.

Fast police response to a robbery call at US Bank's 3865 Lebanon Pike branch led to the apprehension of the suspect less than ten minutes later.

Randy Fielder, 47, is charged federally with bank robbery.

The Emergency Communications Center received a report at 3:37 p.m. that the bank had just been robbed by a man armed with a knife. Hermitage Precinct Officer Russell Freeman arrived in the area of the bank very quickly. Citizens on nearby Juarez Drive directed his attention to Fielder, who was outside about 75 yards away. When Fielder saw Officer Freeman, he sprinted to his home at 220 Juarez Drive and went inside. Officer Freeman and other officers went to the house and ordered Fielder to come outside. Fielder was taken into custody.

Information provided by a citizen led to the arrest of the man suspected of robbing Phillips 66 at 5805 Old Hickory Boulevard.

Vincent Carter, 27, was positively identified as the man who entered the store at 11:15 p.m. Thursday, assaulted the clerk, and fled with cash from the register in a blue four-door 2005 Toyota Corolla. A witness alertly wrote down the suspect car's license number and gave the information to responding officers who located Carter at his Lake Chateau Drive residence.

Carter is charged with aggravated assault and aggravated robbery.

South

SWAT & Special Response Team Officer Bob Doak arrested the man suspected of shoving an 84-year-old Kentucky woman to the ground while robbing her of her purse outside a South Nashville medical building on September 19th.

Todd Drewes, 46, was taken into custody at 24 Lafayette Street moments after Officer Doak saw him emerge from a building on Ash Street.

An investigation headed by South Precinct Detective Bill Stewart led to the identification of Drewes as the man believed responsible. Stewart traveled to Central City, Kentucky, to show the victim a photo lineup. She identified Drewes. In addition, Drewes, during an interview with police, admitted to the crime.

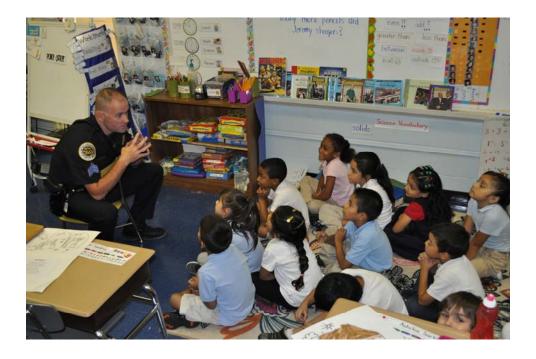
The victim and her husband had traveled to Nashville for a medical appointment at Premier Orthopedics at 394 Harding Place. They encountered the robbery suspect at the entrance to the building at 12:20 p.m. on September 19th. They briefly engaged in a casual conversation before the robber suddenly shoved the elderly woman down and took her purse. He fled on foot.

At the time of the attack, Drewes, who is believed to be homeless, was wanted for failing to appear on two misdemeanor citations issued in July charging him with theft and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Community Coordinator Sergeant Taylor Schmitz attended several community events including the Cane Ridge High School Open House, career day at Haywood Elementary School and first responder appreciation day at Una Baptist Church.







East

At least once a month, George and Ophie Osment provide delicious, personally prepared meals to officers at the East Precinct.

In appreciation, Commander Imhof presented a Chief's coin in recognition of the couples' generous and heartfelt support of the men and women of the East Precinct.



Pictured (l-r) are East Precinct Commander David Imhof, Ophie and George Osment and their son, Officer Darrell Osment.

North

North Precinct detectives, accompanied by SWAT officers assigned to the Special Response Team, arrested the suspected shooter in the murder of 17-year-old Demarcus Jordan-Ellis on Vanderhorst Drive.

Jerome Stone, 20, was taken into custody at his 333 Rio Vista Drive apartment.

Detectives located the gold Chevrolet Impala that witnesses had seen in front of Jordan-Ellis' home at the time of the homicide. The owner of the car was also identified, located and interviewed. According to the car's owner, he drove Stone to Vanderhorst Drive so that he could buy marijuana from Jordan-Ellis (the police department had previously established that the victim dealt marijuana from his residence). The car's owner said that during the marijuana transaction inside 705 Vanderhorst Drive, Stone pulled a gun on the victim, prompting him (the car owner) to run outside. As he did so, he said gunshots rang out. The car owner said as Stone emerged from the home, the victim was screaming. He said Stone then reentered the residence and additional shots were fired. He said when Stone ran to the Impala, he was carrying a plastic grocery bag containing marijuana that the victim had retrieved prior to the gunfire.

Investigation by North Precinct detectives led to the arrest of 17-year-old Ladarius Nelson who is charged in Juvenile Court with aggravated robbery for the September 11th hold-up of a 16-year-old on Hardys Court at Houston Lane.

Nelson was positively identified as one of three men involved in taking cash from the victim at gunpoint at 6:15 p.m. The victim reported that he was out jogging when the incident occurred.

Coordinated police work coupled with citizen assistance led to the arrest of a 17-year-old burglary suspect who allegedly broke into a Scovel Street home.

North Precinct Sergeant Scott Billingsby quickly responded to the scene and spoke with the victim and a witness when he alertly spotted the teen running down Scovel Street. The teen was taken into custody after a brief foot pursuit. Officer Melody Saxon located the suspect's shirt and a pair of socks that he had used to cover his hands during the burglary in a nearby alley.

The victim and citizen both identified the suspect as the burglar.

The teen is charged with aggravated burglary and loitering during school hours.

Commander Graves invited community leaders and elected officials to meet with him at the North Precinct.



Madison

19-year-old James Ray Parker Jr. was charged with aggravated robbery after he allegedly demanded cash and prescription pain medication from the victim inside her Rio Vista Drive apartment.

The 56-year-old woman complied and Parker fled on foot. Madison Precinct Officer Craig Reese spotted Parker a short time later walking on N Dupont Avenue where he was taken into custody. Parker was positively identified as the robber. He was in possession of the victim's pain medication.

West

Outstanding cooperation between Green Hills Mall personnel and West Precinct officers led to the arrest of a gunman a short time after he fled the Louis Vuitton store with six purses valued at \$22,000.

Kenneth Anyanwu, 40, of 25th Avenue North, entered the store at 7:40 p.m. A security guard attempted to stop Anyanwu when he left the location without paying for the purses. Anyanwu produced a handgun and pointed it at the guard. Anyanwu then ran to a parking garage and got into the passenger side of an older model gray 4-door Pontiac Grand Prix. Another security guard attempted to block the suspect vehicle from leaving. Anyanwu also pointed the gun at him. The driver of the Pontiac then drove up to the third floor deck and subsequently exited without Anyanwu.

West Precinct Officer Ryan Finnegan spotted Anyanwu in a nearby parking lot. He was taken into custody after a brief foot chase. Anyanwu is charged with four counts of aggravated assault (for pointing a handgun at the security guards and witnesses), felony theft of merchandise, evading arrest and resisting arrest. He is now also charged in the following shoplifting cases from Best Buy at 2311 N. Gallatin Pike:

- September 18, two computers valued at \$2,800
- August 22, one computer valued at \$1,800
- August 18, one computer valued at \$600
- June 19, one PlayStation valued at \$300
- June 16, one PlayStation valued at \$300
- June 15, one PlayStation valued at \$300

Additional charges against Anyanwu are anticipated in two recent, similar thefts from the Louis Vuitton store at Green Hills Mall. At the time of his arrest, Anyanwu was free on \$5,000 bond for a September 5th shoplifting case involving a flat screen TV from Walmart at 3035 Hamilton Church Road.

Central

Central Precinct detectives formally accused parolee Napoleon Harvey of murdering a Nashville homeless woman earlier this month.

Stephanie Alexander, 39, was found beaten to death on September 5th in an alley between 4th and 5th Avenues near Buchanan Street. Investigation by Detectives Leonard Peck and Steve Ray, combined with valuable citizen assistance, led to the identification of Harvey, who was arrested on a parole violation charge on September 6th. During an interview with detectives late Wednesday afternoon, Harvey admitted to killing Alexander during an argument inside his car on the night of September 4th.

The state issued a parole violation warrant against Harvey on the afternoon of September 5th for a DUI conviction. Harvey was sentenced to 50 years for robbery in 1983. He was paroled in 2006.

Gang Unit

Keairus Wilson, 22, a/k/a "Key Thang," and Rondarius Williamson, 22, both of Nashville, have been sentenced to life in prison by United States District Judge Aleta Trauger. Wilson was sentenced on September 10, 2012 to life, plus 35 years, in prison and Williamson was recently sentenced to life, plus 65 years, in prison. Both were convicted by a federal jury on March 22, 2012 for their roles in three murders, racketeering conspiracy, and firearms offenses, all of which were related to their membership in the Bloods street gang.

Wilson was found guilty on eight counts, including the murders of Michael Goins, in June, 2008 and Alexandra Franklin in July, 2009. 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 in May, 2009. 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.

"The life sentences handed down this week are the culmination of more than three years of investigation and litigation involving the Bloods gang. This case exemplifies the commitment of law enforcement in the Middle District of Tennessee to end gang violence by dismantling and prosecuting gang members for their various gang related crimes - from falsified court records, to drug dealing, to murder," said Jerry Martin, United States Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee. "These sentences should serve as a reminder to all current or would-be gang members that the consequences for choosing to engage in gang-related crime are serious."

The investigation was a joint operation conducted by the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; the U.S. Marshals Service; the LaVergne, Tennessee Police Department; and the Davidson County Sheriff's Office. The case was prosecuted by Cody L. Skipper, formerly a Trial Attorney assigned to the Depart of Justice's Organized Crime and Gang Section and Assistant United States Attorney Scarlett M. Singleton for the Middle District of Tennessee.

"The expertise and dedicated work of the police department's Gang Unit, in partnership with the ATF, U.S. Attorney's Office and other law enforcement agencies, without question is positively impacting Nashville's safety," said Metro Police Chief Steve Anderson. "The message continues to be sent that criminal gang behavior will be met with a very strong response by detectives, agents and prosecutors. Life sentences should catch everyone's attention."

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. Specifically, Wilson was a

member of the Eastside Skyline Piru set of the Bloods, and Williamson was a member of the Tree Top Piru set of the Bloods. 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.

More than 30 individuals have pleaded guilty in the Middle District of Tennessee to various crimes related to their involvement in the Bloods gang. Kenneth Gaddie, aka "K.G.," remains a fugitive. Persons with information as to his whereabouts are asked to contact Crime Stoppers at 74-CRIME or their local law enforcement agency.

Lonnie Greenlee, 54, of Nashville, 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 and was sentenced to 24 months in prison on April 2, 2012.

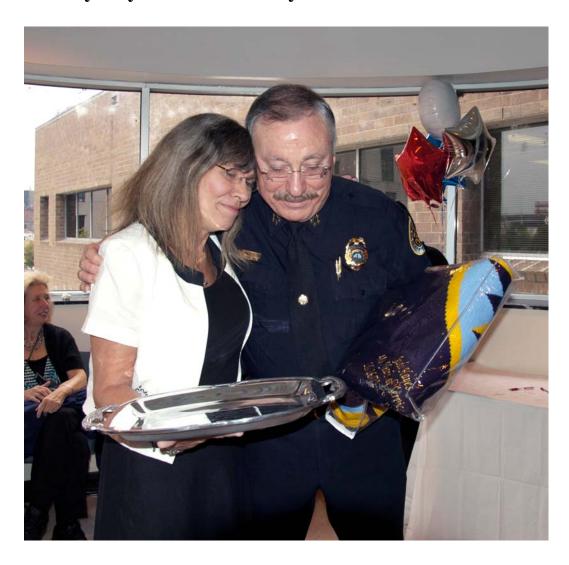
The remaining defendants and prior sentences imposed include:

Montez Hall a/k/a "Tez," 22, of Nashville, 360 months: Anthony Brooks a/k/a "A.B.," 25, of Nashville, 300 months Lonnie Newsome a/k/a "Big Lonnie," 26, of Nashville, 240 months: Kerry Pettus a/k/a "Lil Kerry," 24, of Nashville, 240 months; Tim Allen a/k/a "Lil Tim," 22, of Nashville, 216 months: Cedric Woods a/k/a "Lil Ced," 23, of Nashville, 210 months; Jeffrey Albea a/k/a "Lil Jeff," 20, of Nashville, 120 months; Aaron Gooch a/k/a "A-Ron," 23, of Nashville, 120 months; Deshaune Jones a/k/a "Mexico," 23, of Nashville, 120 months; William Walden a/k/a "Wild Bill," 23, of Nashville, 120 months; Anthony Lampkins a/k/a "Doo Daddy," 23, of Nashville, 96 months; Antonio Washington a/k/a "T.O.," 23, of Nashville, 96 months; William Bartlett a/k/a "Face Mob," 29 of Gallatin, Tenn., 88 months: Ricky Williams a/k/a "Big Rick," 26, of Nashville, 85 months; Jermaine Tate a/k/a "Maine Maine," 23, of Nashville, 85 months; Alonzo McLaurine a/k/a "Zo," 22, of Nashville, 84 months; Shayne Gibson, 20, of Nashville, 84 months; Karlos Taylor a/k/a "Los," 22, of Nashville, 80 months; Alexander McDonald a/k/a "Dominique," 22, of Nashville, 60 months; Anthony Campbell a/k/a "Dante," 22, of Nashville, 57 months; Jermaine Coward a/k/a "Maine Maine," 21, of Nashville, 52 months;

Joedon Bradley a/k/a "Jo Jo," 24, of Nashville, Adrian Montgomery, 21, of Nashville, Donald Dowell a/k/a "D-Dow," 26, of Nashville, Torey Cohen Boseman, 26, of Nashville, James House a/k/a "Bam," 39, of Nashville, Shawn Howell, 25, of Nashville, Rodney Britton, 24, of Nashville, Kaylon Cunningham, 26, of Nashville, Corneilus Primm, 27, of Nashville, Brandon Prince, 24, of Nashville, 48 months;
48 months;
47 months;
36 months;
30 months;
27 months;
24 months;
60 months probation;
36 months probation;
36 months probation.

Retirement Celebration

Judy Hayes celebrated 40 years of dedicated service



Officer Thomas Simpkins celebrated 25 years of dedicated service



From the District Attorney's Office

Director of Communications Susan Niland

A Davidson County criminal court jury deliberated for less than three hours before finding Kevin French guilty of first degree murder and especially aggravated robbery in the 2008 murder of Andre Veals. Veals was at a car wash on Gallatin Road when he was carjacked, shot, and run over by his own car. The car was later driven to Millersville where it was burned beyond recognition. The case remained cold for two years before French and his co-defendant Leangelo Ramey were developed as suspects and arrested.

French will receive an automatic life sentence of at least 51 years with the first degree murder conviction. He will be sentenced on the especially aggravated robbery charge later. Ramey's charges in the case are still pending.

Katherine Holmes was convicted of attempted first degree murder in the August 24, 2011 shooting of her estranged husband Joel Holmes.

Joel Holmes arrived at an apartment complex just after 7 p.m. to meet his estranged wife for the purpose of dropping off their two children, ages five and one. Shortly after Holmes arrived, Barry Dean Haislip, by his admission, walked up and shot him. South Precinct detectives arrested Haislip for shooting Holmes the morning following the shooting.

Joel survived. Haislip's case is still pending. Katherine Holmes will be sentenced November 1.

A Nashville cab driver was found guilty of raping a woman he picked up as a fare in November 2009. The then-27 year old Franklin woman was leaving a Hillsboro Village-area bar when she hired a cab driven by Joseph Newton to take her home. Instead, the cab driver took her to an area near Hillsboro Road and I-440 and raped her inside his cab.

Newton was arrested several months later after returning to the United States from his home country of Ghana, Africa. Newton had volunteered to DNA swabs for comparison prior to leaving the US and initially denied knowledge of the victim or of the assault. The victim was also able to identify him from a photo lineup. Kudos to Detective Rob Carrigan for his work on this case.

Sentencing is scheduled for November 7. His conviction of the B felony carries a standard range of 8-12 years.

Condolences:

Thomas "Leon" Taylor, retired MNPD police officer and husband of Glenda Taylor, Field Operations Bureau, passed away on September 9th.

Manfred Straube, father of Sergeant Michael Straube, South Precinct, passed away on September 11th.

Effie Bearden, grandmother of Detective Rickey Bearden, South Precinct, passed away on September 14th.

Rosolene Bowling Jones, the grandmother of Sergeant Anthony Brooks, West Precinct, passed away on September 18th.

Sara Alice Johnson, the mother-n-law of Regina Johnson, Central Records, and the mother of Metro Firefighter Roy Johnson, passed away on September 20th.

FYI

The second of this year's biannual Community Shred Days has been set for <u>Saturday</u>, <u>October 13th</u>, <u>from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.</u>, <u>at the Tennessee State Fairgrounds (500 Wedgewood Avenue</u>.

Shred Day events are designed to help prevent families and businesses from becoming the victims of identity theft, while, at the same time, helping ensure the viability of Nashville's Crime Stoppers Program.

Middle Tennesseans are welcome to bring all of their sensitive documents they no longer want or need to the fairgrounds (enter from Nolensville Pike) on October 15th, where the paper will be destroyed on the spot by a mobile high-speed cross shredder provided by Shred-it, a Securit Company, the world's leading on-site document destruction firm. The only cost is a minimum \$5 tax deductible donation to Crime Stoppers per banker box of records. All

proceeds will go to Crime Stoppers' reward fund, which is used to help solve serious felony crimes in the Nashville community.

Detectives from the police department's Fraud Unit will be on hand to pass out tips on identify theft prevention and to answer any questions from citizens.

Included on the same site will be Crime Stoppers' Pharma Trash Disposal. Metro police officers will collect prescription medications that are outdated and/or no longer needed and dispose of them in an environmentally safe manner. It has been estimated that up to 89% of consumers dispose of their medications improperly by putting them in household trash or flushing them down a toilet.

Auto Theft detectives will also be on hand on October 13th offering VIN etching for a minimum \$10 donation to Crime Stoppers. VIN etching involves the use of acid to etch small vehicle identification numbers into every window of the vehicle and is a deterrent to theft.

For 29 years, Nashville Crime Stoppers has provided an avenue for persons to anonymously report information on crimes and criminal suspects to the police department. Literally thousands of tips have been received, resulting in the clearance of more than 200 murders, 700 armed robberies and 300 burglaries. Those tips have also led to the apprehension of more than 4,000 fugitives. Crime Stoppers' reward payout since 1983 totals more than \$530,000. The funds come from donations made by area businesses and individuals. No tax dollars are ever used to pay Crime Stoppers rewards.

The first of this year's Community Shred Days on April 21st raised a total of \$3,555.

Hermitage Precinct Officer Charles Shaw, pictured with his wife Tuwanda Coleman, was named one of Nashville's most beautiful people in Nashville Lifestyles Magazine!

