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News from the Chief

The year was 1990. George Herbert Walker Bush was in his second year of the presidency; Al Gore was still the Senator from Tennessee, having not yet been elected Vice President. "Driving Miss Daisy" was the movie of the year. "Wind beneath My Wings," by Bette Midler, was the record of the year. And, the city of Nashville had a population of 488,374. It was also the last year that Nashville saw crime lower than in 2006.

It is with great pride in the fine work of our police officers, professional support staff, and our community partnerships that I report overall major crime in 2006 fell for the third straight year to a 16-year low. Last year's major crime total was 4.9% below that of 2005, with both violent and property crime categories reflecting reductions.

Rape last year declined 5.13% to its lowest reported level since 1983; auto theft declined 7.67% to its lowest reported level since 1989; larceny declined 7.63% to its lowest reported level since 1991; aggravated assault declined 2.78% to its lowest reported level since 2003; and homicide declined 16.49% to its lowest level since 2004.

The two crime categories showing increases were burglary and robbery. Burglary, which in 2005 dropped to a 36-year low, reflected a 3.06% increase last year, still resulting in a reported burglary rate equal to 1969. Robbery, which in 2005 showed a 13.47% rise, reflected a much smaller increase last year of 3.92%.

The 2006 overall crime rate, a standard calculation used by the FBI which is based on Nashville's U.S. Census Bureau population estimates of 607,413 residents, was the lowest since 1989. The violent crime rate last year was the lowest since 1990, a 16-year low. The property crime rate in 2006 was the lowest since 1979 (when Jimmy Carter was president). Every MNPD Precinct experienced crime reduction in 2006.

Despite our progress, there is much work to do, both here at the police department and in the community. We are not safe as a city until every neighborhood feels safe. We realize that crime continues to influence certain areas, and we fully accept the challenge to continue our

work to make differences in those communities. One of the key measures of our success is the growth in active Neighborhood Watch and community groups. Between January 2004 and December 2005 our active groups had increased by 33%. At the end of 2006 we witnessed another increase of 14%. We now work with a total of 353 active groups!!

During 2007, look for the police department to continue its efforts to encourage community leaders to help families regain control of wayward youth. The Juvenile Court of Davidson County is a strong partner as we work to strengthen family accountability and relationships. Our weekly partnership with Juvenile Court probation officers checking on the status of offenders under the court's jurisdiction has resulted in nearly 2,300 visits. Metro Youth Services detectives have also met with 692 families with children identified as "at risk," in an effort to provide resources to assist these families and their children. The Department of Children's Services has committed to work closer with the police department than ever before, as we work to find solutions to juvenile crime and recidivism, as well as seek out and apprehend dangerous absconders.

In the coming days, look for the Metropolitan Police Department to add its voice to that of police chiefs, sheriffs, and prosecutors from across Tennessee in encouraging the state legislature to enact stiffer sentencing guidelines for convicted or armed felons who continue to commit crime following their release from state custody. It is simply wrong that of the 439 persons we arrested for Robbery last year, 63% had **PRIOR CONVICTIONS** in their past!

I am humbled and proud to be associated with the fine men and women of the Metropolitan Police Department and our community partners throughout Nashville. We will never give in, and we will never stop searching for ways to improve. But, when it comes to youth crime and dangerous repeat offenders, we need your careful consideration and help. Thank you all for the successes of 2006. Thank you, also, for working to build on those successes in 2007.

Happenings



The 8th Annual Polar Bear Plunge benefiting Tennessee Special Olympics was a huge success.

Sponsored by the Metropolitan Nashville Police Law Enforcement Torch Run program, with assistance from the Metro Fire Department, the event featured 35 brave souls who plunged into the icy waters of Percy Priest Lake and raised \$6,350.00 for Special Olympics.

The Metropolitan Police Department has a long-standing commitment to raise awareness and funds for Special Olympics, the nation's largest provider of athletic events and sporting activities for mentally challenged children and young adults.

Thanks to Officer Herb Kajihara, Kay Holder, Sergeant Anna-Maria Williams, and Glenda Taylor for preparing the plunge site.

The Middle Tennessee Football League kicks off their season Saturday, February 24. The Metro Lawdawgs has a roster of 38 police officers, family, and friends of the MNPd. Please come out and support the team.

The Lawdawgs take on the Sumner County Xpress Saturday at 9 a.m. at Hunters Lane High School. For a complete schedule you can visit the team's website at <http://metrolawdawgs.tripod.com/>



Mayor Bill Purcell and Chief Serpas welcome Session 53 to the academy



Armorer Joe Daniel instructs Session 52 on proper maintenance and handling of departmental shotguns

The Precinct News

Hermitage

Information from the Riverside, California, Sheriff's Department indicated that a serial child molester was living in the Hermitage Precinct. Officer Craig Christie and Sergeant Jon McWright went to a residence on Maxwell Place and were able to locate and apprehend Jonathan Morris, 19, who was wanted in California on four outstanding felony child molestation warrants.

Sergeant Paul Harbin and Officer Ken Mahoney stopped a car on Lafayette Street. A search of the vehicle led to the seizure of 25.7 grams of crack cocaine, 13.5 grams of powder cocaine, and 9.2 grams of marijuana. The driver was charged with possession of marijuana and cocaine for resale, evading arrest, and driving on a suspended license.

Flex Officers Doug Bell and James King stopped a car with expired tags at Old Hickory Boulevard and Interstate 40. The officers noticed several mason jars full of marijuana inside the vehicle. Five ounces of marijuana were seized. The driver was charged with possession of marijuana for resale and driving on a suspended license.

Flex Officers David Hacker and James King stopped a Pontiac Bonneville for a seatbelt violation. A passenger, Bryce Russell, had an outstanding parole violation. During a search, the officers seized 16.7 grams of cocaine.

South

Flex Officer Neil Wolfe noticed that a man putting gas into a minivan appeared nervous when he saw the officer. Officer Wolfe ran the tag on the vehicle and it came back stolen. Officer Wolfe tried to initiate a traffic stop, but the driver sped off. The pursuit ended when the driver and two occupants bailed from the vehicle and fled on foot. One of the passengers, a juvenile, was captured after a brief foot chase. C Detail helped to set up an immediate perimeter and did an excellent job cordoning off the area while aviation and K-9 were called in. The second passenger, Brandon Vernon, 19, was captured. A .38 caliber handgun was recovered from inside the minivan.

Three juveniles charged with aggravated robbery in a carjacking will remain in custody pending a hearing April 13 to determine if they will be tried as adults.

A woman drove a 1994 Toyota 4Runner into her Edmondson Pike apartment complex at 10:30 p.m. when three suspects approached her and demanded her car and money. One of the suspects held a gun to her head. She complied and the carjackers fled in the SUV.

The suspects abandoned the stolen vehicle on Packard Drive and fled on foot, but were quickly apprehended due to the quick on-duty response of South Precinct Flex officers, Gang Unit detectives, Auto Theft detectives, and the Special Response Team.

The victim identified Jose Navarro, 15, of Benita Drive, and Javed Ayube, 17, of Harding Place, as the carjackers. The K9 Unit located the third suspect, Jude Sanchez, 17, of McMurray Drive, and took him into custody. A .40 caliber handgun was also recovered.

Officer Lynn Hampton assisted by Flex personnel located James Spain. He was taken into custody for two outstanding felony probation violations.

Neighbors reported a suspicious person outside a home on Cherrywood Drive. When officers arrived they saw that the rear windows of the residence had been broken out. The suspect was identified by his vehicle which was still running and parked in front of the home. David Hilliard was taken into custody without incident. He was out on parole for burglary and has been linked to six additional burglaries.

Officer Ken Alexandrow gave a safety presentation for children ages two-to-five years old at a local day care center. He gave the children safety-oriented coloring books and future officer badges.

Flex Officers Neil Wolfe and Robert Durbin stopped a vehicle for a taillight violation. The driver consented to a search and the officers seized nine grams of marijuana and 6.7 grams of cocaine.

Detective Marvin Rivera spotted the suspect in a Dollar Store robbery and followed him into the Target parking lot on Cain Ridge Road. The suspect was taken into custody and charged with armed robbery.

East

Officer Mike Wilson stopped a car for a taillight violation. The driver was charged with marijuana possession and driving on a suspended license. His passenger, Eric Lakeith Owens, had been on the East Precinct's Ten Most Wanted List. He was charged with four felony capiases, one aggravated assault, and misdemeanor vandalism.

Officer Broderick Jones stopped a car for a registration violation. The driver, Charles Ray Blakeman, had five outstanding felony aggravated child abuse warrants. He was also in possession of 1.9 grams of Marijuana.

Flex Officer Brad Bracey stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation near Hart Lane and Ellington Parkway. The driver had an outstanding federal warrant for fraud against the government. She was charged with being a fugitive from justice.

Officer Bracey also conducted a traffic stop for an equipment violation. During the stop, the driver consented to a search and admitted he was in possession of Xanax pills without a prescription. Seized were 17.5 Xanax pills and \$897.00 cash.

Crime Suppression Unit and Flex officers executed a search warrant at a Riverside Drive residence. Seizures included 2000 various pills, 93 grams cocaine, and \$2000.00 cash. This is the second time that a search warrant has been executed at this residence. The charges from the first search warrant are still pending.

Flex Officer Marty Reed stopped a vehicle near Hart Lane and Jones Avenue for a traffic violation. During the stop, K-9 Officer Terry Burnette responded to the scene with his partner, Laz. Officer Burnette walked Laz around the vehicle and Laz signaled that narcotics were present in the vehicle. A probable cause search revealed approximately one pound of marijuana in the trunk and a loaded Glock .45 caliber pistol in the center console of the vehicle. The driver, who was out on bond for possession of a controlled substance for resale and a weapons violation, admitted the drugs and the gun were his.

Two juveniles are charged with stealing a car that had been left running and unattended while it warmed up. The owner saw the car being driven away and called police. Officers in the area quickly responded and were able to apprehend the suspects near Dalewood Middle School. The vehicle was returned to its owner.

The Bike Unit received a tip that several juveniles were skipping school. They patrolled the James Casey Homes area looking for the truants. Officers arrested six juveniles for loitering. Two of the juveniles had outstanding petitions for their arrest.

Sergeant Dan Whitley and Officer Julian Pirtle stopped a vehicle for various non-moving traffic violations on Dickerson Pike near Trinity Lane. The driver of the vehicle, William Lee Wade, gave officers permission to search his vehicle. Officers found a secret compartment within the console of the vehicle and seized 25.4 grams of powder cocaine, 18.4 grams of crack cocaine, 16 Ecstasy pills, 23.3 grams of marijuana, Wade's 1998 Chevrolet Suburban and \$760.00 cash. Wade was charged with three counts of possession of a controlled substance for resale and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Officer Pirtle also stopped a driver for a seatbelt violation which resulted in the seizure of 43.9 grams of marijuana from a passenger.

Officer Brian Theriac stopped a car for a tag violation. Officer Derek Keeler arrived to back him up. During a consent search, the officers seized 28 grams of cocaine. The driver, who had two previous drug possession charges, was arrested.

Officer Theriac also stopped a 1998 GMC Sierra East because a taillight was out. He ran the tags and discovered the vehicle was reported stolen. The driver, Johnny Young, was charged with theft and driving on a suspended license. The passenger in the vehicle, Tony Brown, had five outstanding warrants and was also arrested.

Officer Mickey Yentes noticed a car that matched the description of a stolen vehicle. He ran the tag and confirmed that it had indeed been reported stolen. Officer Yentes stopped the car and arrested the driver, Cameron Noel, who was charged with theft, possession of marijuana, and driving on a suspended license.

Officer Curtis Hafley was at the 100 block of Lucille Street on another matter when the driver of an SUV pulled in and asked a woman for directions. Officer Curtis got out to talk to the driver and noticed a strong smell of alcohol. The driver, Thomas T Porter, Jr., consented to being searched. Officer Hafley found 25.6 grams of marijuana in Porter's pants pocket. Officer Hafley seized \$406.00 cash and the 2002 Ford Explorer Porter was driving. Porter is a registered ex-convict and served time for selling drugs.

Patrick Giardono was arrested on multiple felony warrants including one for aggravated assault against a police officer in Portland, Tennessee.

North

Sixteen people from the North Precinct's most wanted list have been captured so far this year.

Crime Suppression Unit officers performed a knock and talk at a residence. They were given permission to search the home and during the search, a suspect showed up to deliver a large quantity of marijuana. He was taken into custody and charged with possession of marijuana for resale. Seized were 15.3 ounces of marijuana and \$633.00 cash.

Officer Ed Draves responded to a shots fired call. Officer Draves encountered Antonio Rankins with about eight other individuals. Officer Draves saw Rankins walk over and discard something near a trash can. When the officer realized it was a handgun, he ordered Rankins to the ground. After taking the suspect into custody, Officer Draves recovered a second loaded

handgun in Rankins' coat pocket. Officer Draves showed great restraint in preventing the situation from escalating into an even more dangerous one.

Officers Donald Richer, Sung Park, and Tim Codling arrested Antwain Mays in Madison. Mays was served with several outstanding warrants including unlawful possession of a weapon by a felon, violating probation, and a felony evading arrest warrant out of Wilson County. Mays was charged with possession of cocaine for resale and has a lengthy criminal history including evading and resisting arrest, possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful possession of a weapon, criminal impersonation, and assault.

Officer Sung Park got behind a pick up truck on Dickerson Pike that matched the description of a suspect wanted for a robbery at the Rivergate Mall. Officer Park did an excellent job in following the suspect vehicle and waiting for assistance to arrive before stopping John Ferguson and Angela Shankle. They were taken into custody.

Officer Park assisted Goodlettsville officers in transporting the pair back to the mall where the victim was able to identify both suspects.

The victim had placed her purse into a baby stroller and was putting her child into a car when it was stole. The suspects attempted to run her over with their truck when she tried to retrieve her purse.

Officer Justin Pachciarz conducted a terry stop on a vehicle at the Cumberland View Homes after residents reported drug dealing in the area. Michael Money had an outstanding out-of-county warrant and was charged with unlawful possession of a weapon and trespassing. A search of the vehicle uncovered a loaded handgun and four grams of marijuana.

Officer Byron Carter stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation. A passenger, Jean Joseph, had an NCIC hit out of Florida. She had outstanding warrants for assault against a police officer and resisting arrest. Joseph was arrested as a fugitive from justice.

West

Crime Suppression Unit officers executed a search warrant at a Meharry Boulevard residence. Officers seized five Hydrocodone tablets, 46 Diazepam pills, 27 Viagra pills, 300 various Schedule III tablets, 158 gram of marijuana, and 29 grams of cocaine. Officers arrested two people on felony drug charges.

Sergeant John Drake was searching for a missing girl when he noticed a fire at the Riverwood Apartments on Cabot Drive.

Sergeant Drake called for help and went door to door to evacuate residents. The fire destroyed two apartments, but no one was injured, in large part, due to Sergeant Drake's efforts.

The missing 10-year-old girl was found at a friend's house.

Officer Paul Reynolds, Officer Paul Cooper, and Detective Rick Chmielewski were all involved in the arrest of one suspect, and in the field interview of two other teenagers in a probable vandalism case.

Officer Cooper was in his patrol car on Belle Forest Circle when he saw a black SUV spot him, turn around, and leave the area. Officer Cooper noticed a brake light was out on the vehicle and stopped the SUV on Highway 70 South. Officer Cooper thought the trio could possibly be involved in several spray painting/vandalism cases in Bellevue.

Officer Reynolds came to assist Officer Cooper who performed a consent search after noticing several spray paint cans in the vehicle. The officers seized 32 Lexapro pills, 30 spray paint cans, several bottles of alcohol, and drug paraphernalia. Robert Hueneke, 18, was issued a traffic citation, three state citations for possession of a prescription drug without a prescription, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of alcohol by a minor. The other two suspects, Christopher Hehnen, 19, and a juvenile, were interviewed and released. These three teenagers are possibly involved in numerous acts of graffiti throughout the west Nashville area. Identification also took pictures of the items.

Officer Christopher Lucci was driving to the precinct in his unmarked car on Interstate 40 when he saw a suspicious vehicle parked in front of an Oldsmobile Cutlass on the shoulder of the road. Officer Lucci and Sergeant Mikel Wiggs, joined by Flex Units, returned to the scene. The driver admitted to officers that he was going to tow the Oldsmobile to a scrap yard. A search of the suspect's car uncovered a loaded handgun, the Oldsmobile's steering column, and burglary tools. Terry Eugene Williams, Jr., was taken to booking and charged with theft, possession of burglary tools, unlawful possession of a weapon, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Central

Officer Tiffany Rhea stopped Jonathan Graham, 28, for a traffic violation at 8th Avenue North and Church Street. He appeared intoxicated and was arrested for DUI, his second offense. A search of his vehicle uncovered a marijuana pipe. Graham's blood alcohol level was more than three times the legal limit.

Officer Keith Johnson was on patrol when he saw Anthony Lyons, 36, throw a rock through the front window of the Industrial Rubber and Gasket Company at 601 Lafayette Street. Officer Johnson apprehended Lyons and prevented the business from likely being burglarized. Lyons has a lengthy arrest history including charges of aggravated assault, theft, and vandalism.

Flex officers worked with the Crime Suppression Unit on a Valentine's Day prostitution sting. Officers concentrated on the North 1st Street area where they have received numerous complaints of prostitution and drug activity.

A total of 10 people were arrested. All the officers involved did an outstanding job and both units worked very well together.

Officers continue to conduct cold weather welfare checks on the homeless and to offer them rides to shelters.

Promotions

Chief Ronal Serpas announced the promotion of one new captain, two new lieutenants, and 25 new sergeants to fill supervisory vacancies in various police department components.

"The 28 persons being promoted are highly dedicated, exceptional individuals who are committed to the safety of Nashville, its families, and guests," Chief Ronal Serpas said.

The 28 persons are:

- New Captain Eric Snyder, a 15-year police department veteran who most recently led the Central Precinct's day shift. He will now supervise the Metropolitan Park Police.
- New Lieutenant Jason Starling, a 9-year police department veteran who most recently supervised the East Precinct's afternoon shift Flex team. He will now lead the Central Precinct's day shift.
- New Lieutenant William Watkins, a 9-year police department veteran who most recently served on the South Precinct's overnight shift. He will now lead the Hermitage Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Jeff Bauer, a 14-year police department veteran who most recently served on the North Precinct's overnight shift. He will now be a supervisor on the South Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Doug Bell, a 7-year police department veteran who most recently served on the Hermitage Precinct's Flex team. He will now be a supervisor on the East Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Greg Blair, a 9-year police department veteran who most recently served as the South Precinct's crime analysis officer. He will now be a supervisor on the East Precinct's day shift.

- New Sergeant Preston Brandimore, a 7-year police department veteran who most recently served as a narcotics detective in the Specialized Investigations Division. He will now be a supervisor on the West Precinct's afternoon shift.
- New Sergeant Christopher Bryant, a 6-year police department veteran who most recently served on the MDHA Task Force. He will now be a supervisor on the East Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Matt Chance, a 10-year police department veteran who most recently served as a gang detective in the Specialized Investigations Division. He will now be a supervisor on the East Precinct's afternoon shift.
- New Sergeant William Denton, an 8-year police department veteran who most recently served on the Hermitage Precinct's afternoon shift. He will now be a supervisor on the Central Precinct's afternoon shift.
- New Sergeant Joseph Donofrio, a 9-year police department veteran who most recently served on the West Precinct's afternoon shift. He will now be a supervisor on the East Precinct's afternoon shift.
- New Sergeant John Drake, a 19-year police department veteran who most recently served on the West Precinct's day shift. He will now be a supervisor on the North Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Michael Dudley, a 6-year police department veteran who most recently served as a member of the Aggressive Driving Unit. He will now be a supervisor on the West Precinct's afternoon shift.
- New Sergeant Robert Durbin, a 6-year police department veteran who most recently served on the South Precinct's day shift Flex team. He will now be a supervisor on the Hermitage Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Sebastian Gourdin, a 7-year police department veteran who most recently served on the East Precinct's afternoon shift. He will now be a supervisor on the West Precinct's afternoon shift.
- New Sergeant David Leavitt, a 12-year police department veteran who most recently served on the West Precinct's overnight shift. He will now be a supervisor on the Central Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Lee Kendall, a 5-year police department veteran who most recently served on the Hermitage Precinct's afternoon shift. He will now be a supervisor on the North Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Anthony McClain, a 9-year police department veteran who most recently served as a Sex Crimes detective. He will now be a supervisor on the East Precinct's day shift.
- New Sergeant Daniel Newbern, a 6-year police department veteran who most recently served as a South Precinct detective. He will now be a supervisor on the West Precinct's overnight shift.

- New Sergeant Jason Proctor, a 6-year police department veteran who most recently served as a West Precinct detective. He will now be a supervisor on the South Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Robert Smith, an 8-year police department veteran who most recently served in the Warrants Division. He will now be a supervisor on the South Precinct's afternoon shift.
- New Sergeant Keith Stephens, a 5-year police department veteran who most recently served on the South Precinct's Flex team. He will now be a supervisor on the Hermitage Precinct's afternoon shift.
- New Sergeant Suzanne Stephens, an 18-year police department veteran who most recently served as a Sex Crimes detective. She will now be a supervisor on the North Precinct's day shift.
- New Sergeant Brad Turner, a 9-year police department veteran who most recently served on the South Precinct's overnight shift. He will now be a supervisor on the Central Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Chris Upchurch, a 9-year police department veteran who most recently served as a fatal crash investigator. He will now be a supervisor on the South Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Charles Widener, a 6-year police department veteran who most recently served as a Domestic Violence detective. He will now be a supervisor on the Hermitage Precinct's overnight shift.
- New Sergeant Kenneth Walburn, a 7-year police department veteran who most recently served on the Hermitage Precinct's afternoon shift. He will now be a supervisor on the East Precinct's afternoon shift.
- New Sergeant Joe Winter, a 6-year police department veteran who most recently served as a South Precinct detective. He will now be a supervisor on the North Precinct's afternoon shift.

The following officers in the Field Operations Bureau were chosen Patrol, Police, and Investigator of the Month for January 2007:

Patrol Officer



East Precinct Officer Joshua Black

Police Officer



East Precinct Officer James King

Investigator



North Precinct Detective James O. Fuqua

El Protector

El Protector Officer Rafael Fernandez from the Hermitage Precinct spoke about the home invasion robbery cases that have targeted members of the Hispanic community and offered safety tips on La Latina and La Sabrosita radio stations.

Specialized Investigations Division

Detective Jim Lambert, Specialized Investigations Division Security Threat Section, was honored by the United States Capitol Police February 22. Detective Lambert was presented with the Capitol Police Medal of Merit for his service as the primary liaison between the department and the Capitol Police during their many visits to Nashville with former Senate Majority Leader Dr. Bill Frist.

Project Safe Neighborhoods

Detective Joe Batey, an 18-year police department veteran, will receive the 2006 United States Attorney's Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement on Wednesday, February 28, during a ceremony at the Nashville Public Library, 615 Church Street. Detective Batey is the Project Safe Neighborhoods detective for East Investigations.

Blue Notes

Strategic Development Division

Strategic Development Division (SDD) provides support to all areas of the MNPd. SDD consists of three major sections; Special Projects/Grants, Accreditation, and Crime Analysis.

Special Projects/Grants Section develops policies and procedures for the department and ensures they are consistent with the best practices throughout the country. Another important area is finding grants that will assist the MNPd in funding important programs to reduce crime.

Accreditation Section makes sure policies and procedures in the MNPd are consistent with internationally recognized standards for law enforcement. Through an accreditation process by CALEA, the MNPd is demonstrating its voluntary commitment to excellence in law enforcement. Currently there are 459 standards within the CALEA process that have to be addressed by the MNPd, with many of these having multiple parts.

Crime Analysis is an integral part of the success of the MNPd. Rich Kilburn, Matt Morley, Eric Cardinal, Officer Glen Hicks, and Jason Wyatt review crime stats that provide the MNPd with the information necessary to recognize where crime is occurring, and to help precinct Commanders place personnel where needed for crime reducing initiatives.

New features in crime analysis include zone intensity maps which provide one method of evaluating exactly what is happening in a specific zone, district, or precinct. We are already seeing some of the brilliant work by the crime analysis team on recidivism and its effect on crime rates, and will be seeing more of this in the future.

With Rich Kilburn out on military leave, Matt Morley is doing an excellent job utilizing innovative methods of crime analysis to assist the MNPd in reducing crime. Enough cannot be said for the work they do everyday!!

Background and Recruiting

By Lt. Michele Donegan

Below is a list of recruitment events scheduled for the next few months. Many of you belong to civic groups, schools, churches, and other outside organizations. With spring just around the corner, many organizations will be planning block parties, picnics, job fairs, career fairs, and health fairs. I encourage you to keep Recruitment in mind and contact our office if

you are aware of an event that we could participate in. Remember – you are our number one recruitment tool!

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Recruiters

Officer Greg Bisch
Officer Calvin Graham
Officer Gerald McShepard
Officer Angie Page

Background Investigators

Read Majors
Gordon McGuire
Mike Mitchell
Grady Pinchon

Assistant

Ms. Alice Murphy

RECRUITMENT 2007

March 2007

01	UT Martin Career Fair
07	Murray State Career Fair
15	Hunters Lane High School (Career Fairs)
16	Whites Creek High School (Alumni Association)
27	ACAP Job Fair (Fort Campbell, KY)
26, 27, 28	TSU Recruitment Sessions to College Classes

For those of you who are in a position that requires you to order business cards (M.P.D form 115), I would like to encourage you to choose “Join Our Department” for the reverse side of your card. (Choice #2) The back of your card would have the following information:

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On How to Become a Metro Police Officer

Police Recruitment Unit

(615) 862-7341 or 1 888-638-7633

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WE ARE AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Having this information on your business card is a great recruiting tool!

Congratulations:

Officer Jamie Scruggs, Specialized Investigations Division, and his wife, Erika, are the proud parents of Camila Isaza, born February 8th.



In Prayers:

Officer Archie Spain, Central Precinct, as he recovers from a heart attack.

Officer Danita Marsh, North Precinct, as she continues her recovery.

Officer Joseph Haywood, East Precinct, as he continues his recovery.

Detective Rob Carrigan, Sex Crimes, as his four-year-old son continues chemotherapy treatments.

Condolences:

Pearlie Mai Covington, mother of Beverly Buchanan, Information and Technology, passed away February 19.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Brannom, mother of retired Officers Robert Ferguson, Impound, and Ronald Brannom, Youth Services, passed away February 13.

Mr. Charles Locke, retired South Precinct officer, passed away February 10.

Morgan Corbitt, niece of Mary Goins, Youth Services, passed away February 9.

Mr. Barney Rosalia, grandfather of Detective Jason Rosalia, Hermitage Precinct, passed away February 7.

FYI:

Property and Evidence Hours of Operation Change

In September 2005 the use of property & evidence drop boxes began at all patrol precincts. Thanks to your cooperation, this change has been a major success and improved our ability to serve the men and women of the Police Department as well as continuing to provide access for private citizens to recover their property.

The Property & Evidence Division has reviewed data for the last six months of operation and determined that almost 50% of all property submitted to the Property Division is by using drop boxes. The data also revealed that because of drop box usage, the amount of property actually brought to the Property Division after 1800 hrs or during the week-end is minimal. Based on this data, effective March 1st, 2007 the days and hours of operation for the Property Division will be Monday – Friday, 0600 – 1800 hrs. Any property or evidence submission after those hours or on weekends will be handled via a drop box or, when necessary, through the use of “call out” procedures.

We have converted the viewing room to an officer work room and given all sworn personnel card key access. Any item that will not fit in a drop box can be brought to the Property Division on Trinity Lane and placed in one of the secured lockers located in the officer work room for that purpose. We have added 17 various sized lockers to better serve you.

If an item won't fit in a locker or if there is currency over \$5000, then “on call” personnel will respond to the Property Division. These personnel can be reached through normal call out procedures.

All paperwork should be attached to the outside of any property submitted so that Property & Evidence personnel can note on the MPD Form 110 Property & Evidence Report the date, time and drop box location the property was picked up from.

If you have any questions concerning this change, please contact the Property and Evidence Division.

Respectfully,
Sgt. Neil M. Cook

COUNTRY MUSIC MARATHON & 1/2 MARATHON

Nashville ★ April 28, 2007

"Doing It For Danita"



Officer Danita Marsh

Commander Louise Kelton of the North Precinct will participate in the April 28, 2007 *Country Music Marathon* in honor of Officer Marsh.

Danita has not had the first regret and is glad she was there to make a difference in someone's life. **Pledge** to make a difference in hers.



Commander Kelton

CAMPAIGN PLEDGE FORM

I pledge (check one) ___ \$1/mile, ___ \$1/year of Commander Kelton's age (51),
___ \$1/every day of the year (365) -- OR --

I pledge \$_____ as a gift in support of Danita Marsh.

PLEDGE INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

*Please make all checks payable to, The 100 Club of Nashville and include "Danita Marsh" on the memo line. **Contributions are tax deductible.** Thank you!*