Just the Facts

June 10, 2016

Weekly Highlights

Friday, June 3 to Thursday, June 9

- Busiest Day of Week: Friday — 85 events
- Busiest Hour of Day: 5:00 PM — 33 events
- Total # of Events: 493
- Average Events/Day: 70.43
- Average Events/Hour: 2.93
- Average Traffic Stops: .86 per hour
- DWIs for the week: 0

Curfew

As summer break begins, now is a good time to remind students & parents about the city curfew ordinance.

- Applies to those persons under 18 years of age who are in public places and private places w/o the owner’s consent.
- 16 & 17 years of age, midnight—5 am (Fri & Sat) and 11 pm—5 am all other days of the week.
- Under 16 years of age, 10 pm—5 am all days of the week.

Steele County Safety Camp—The 2016 Steele County Kid’s Safety Camp took place Thursday, June 9 and Friday, June 10 at Lake Kohlmier as well as at the Steele County Fairgrounds. This was a two-day camp that is held annually for students that just completed the third grade in schools across Steele County. There were 227 kids attending this year who enjoyed learning about the safety of some of their favorite activities—fishing, boating, camping and biking. They also gained some very important knowledge in first aid, electrical & equipment safety and weather safety. Other classes and presentations were from our police K9 team, a state patrol helicopter, Sparky’s Fire House, NetSmartz internet safety and the South Central Mn EMS Systems Roll-Over Simulator and a vehicle extraction by the Owatonna Fire Department. The kids were excited to receive some fun stuff to include a t-shirt, water bottle and draw string backpack to take home. A graduation and ice cream social was held at the conclusion of the camp for the kids and their families to wrap up a successful event.

Just Sleeping—At 01:15 on Wednesday morning, a night shift officer observed a vehicle parked in the Burger King lot with blankets covering all windows. Upon checking the car, two persons were seen inside the car. The officer made a quick observation and saw drug paraphernalia in the car and a search was conducted. As the passenger exit, a pipe with a white residue was left on the seat which was tested positive for methamphetamine. Inside the passenger’s purse was a butane torch and a glass bowl with marijuana. She admitted to owning the pipe that was used to smoke meth and was in the process of cleaning it. Jessica L. Alwes, age 25 of Blooming Prairie, was arrested and charged with a 5th degree controlled substance crime—a felony that carries a 5 year sentence and/or a $10,000.00 fine.

Evening Stroll—On Tuesday at 01:30 a.m. officers responded to a woman being assaulted in the area of Roosevelt Community School on West McKinley Street. A resident sleeping woke to the disturbance and observed three persons walking on the sidewalk—two men and a woman. The witness saw the female victim pushed (or punched) and knocked to the ground. The third party that was present during this incident confirmed that the woman was kicked and tackled by her estranged boyfriend who was identified as Christopher Powers. The victim and a man were on a walk and Powers continued to follow them against their wishes. Powers was arrested and charged with a felony level domestic assault which was not based on the level of injury to the victim, but the result of two or more previous domestic violence-related convictions within the last ten years.

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