Just the Facts

OCTOBER 7, 2016

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Friday, Sept 30 to Thursday, Oct 6
- Busiest Day of Week: Monday—102 events
- Busiest Hour of Day: 2:00 PM—52 events
- Total # of Events: 558
- Average Events/Day: 79.71
- Average Events/Hour: 3.32
- Average Traffic Stops: .74 per hour
- DWIs for the week: 0

Citizen’s Academy Week 2

The 2016 Citizen’s Academy is underway. Chief Hiller led off the campaign on October 3rd when he gave an overview of the department and led the group on a tour of this facility. This past week, Captain Eric Rethemeier led the group through a virtual tour of the Patrol Division, including staffing, equipment, patrol initiatives & procedures, and laws of arrest. Detective Christian Berg finished off the evening by leading the group through the world of organized retail theft & fraud and how it affects our community. Stay tuned for an update from next week’s academy session!

Reckless Discharge of a Firearm—Back in early August, officers responded to the 100 block of 18th Place NE for a report of suspicious activity. Officers arrived and spoke with the reporting party—Lacey Mae Skorr. Officers also obtained a statement from a party that said they were playing “Ding Dong Ditch” on their friend who lived near Skorr’s residence. The party said they were hiding behind a car when they heard two shots that sounded like those that come from a 9mm gun. When an officer returned to Skorr’s residence to follow-up, he learned that she saw the kids, yelled at them, and fired her gun into the air twice. Skorr said her gun is a 9mm Hi Point and gave it to the officer. The officer then observed one 9mm casing in the driveway approximately 10 feet from the garage door to residence and another approximately 20 feet away from the garage door. On September 30th, Lacey Skorr, age 28, was charged with Dangerous Weapons—Reckless Discharge of a Firearm Within a Municipality—a Felony.

City of Owatonna Ordinance Code, Chapter 133: Weapons & Dangerous Devices

§ 133.01 Discharge of Firearms
No person shall shoot or discharge any firearm, air rifle, sling shot or any instrument used to expel, at high velocity, any pellets, darts, arrows or projectiles of any kind within the corporate limits of the city, except as specifically authorized in § 133.02 of this chapter.

§ 133.02 Exclusions
The discharge of firearms and other weapons as prohibited in § 133.01 of this chapter shall not apply to the persons set forth in divisions (A), (B) and (C) below:
(A) Persons duly authorized to act as law enforcement officers or members of the military forces of the United States or the state in the discharge of their duties;
(B) Persons engaged in archery, target or trap shooting on archery, target or trap shooting ranges approved as such by the Council; and
(C) Persons acting in self-defense when use of firearms for that purpose would not be unlawful under laws of state.

§ 133.99 Penalty
Any person(s) violating the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a penal offense and, upon conviction thereof, in addition to fine or imprisonment or both, any weapons used or carried & the carcass of any bird or animal taken shall be seized/impounded and destroyed or otherwise disposed of on order of any court of competent jurisdiction.

OPD Hosts DWI Training—On Wednesday, Officer Dupic—a certified advanced impaired driving instructor led the first of a three day course to 14 local law enforcement officers at OPD as continuing education to certify police officers for the Toward Zero Death grant enforcement shifts. The training included controlled drinkers of community volunteers that ranged in various impairment levels to give the police officer students practical testing experience.

5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance. Was it Really Batman? In the evening of October 3rd, an Owatonna Police Officer was on patrol when he observed 3 males sitting on the west side of the Owatonna Public Library—one wearing a Batman shirt who matched the description of a male with an outstanding warrant. The officer made contact and positively identified Martin Klaustermeier as the male with the warrant. Klaustermeier advised that he had a pipe in his front pocket. The officer located the pipe as well as a digital pocket scale, rolling papers, and a small clear plastic baggie with a hard crystal-like substance that later tested presumptive positive for Methamphetamine in the amount of 1.8 grams. Martin Klaustermeier, age 21, was formally charged with a Felony 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Klaustermeier, Martin

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