

MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT

DEPARTMENT: POLICE

COVERING THE MONTH OF: NOVEMBER 2008

1.) NORMAL DEPARTMENT PROJECTS REQUIRED TO BE ACCOMPLISHED EACH MONTH. (PROVIDE SPECIFICS ON ACTIVITY LEVELS, e.g. CIRCULATION NUMBER, MAINTENANCE CALLS, ETC.)

- ◆ Please refer to Attachment titled “*MONTHLY STATISTICAL DATA – NOVEMBER - 2008*”

2.) CHIEF’S ACTIVITIES DURING THIS MONTH.

- ◆ Gave a presentation at the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner’s Statewide Forensics Seminar
- ◆ Led the Annual Hartford Christmas Parade
- ◆ Attended and presented at the Common Council Meeting on November 11, 2008, regarding several recent procedural issues with the Mid-Moraine Municipal Court.
- ◆ Presented Graduation Certificates to this year’s Citizen Academy class
- ◆ Attended a meeting of the Hartford Chamber of Commerce on behalf of Hartford Project Care
- ◆ Attended and presented at the Common Council Meeting on November 25, 2008, regarding amendments to the current fee structure for various police services and false private alarm responses

3.) SPECIAL OR SPECIFIC PROJECTS/TASKS/ACTIVITIES ACCOMPLISHED DURING THIS MONTH.

- ◆ Police School Liaison Officer Jim Zywicki coordinated a canine search at the Hartford Union High School in November. This was the first time in the recent past that the dogs did not alert on any vehicles or lockers. This is an encouraging sign!
- ◆ The winners of the 3rd Annual Hartford Police Department/Allison Sentry Coloring Contest rode in the Squad 7 at the front of the Christmas Parade. All of us here at HPD have enjoyed a long working partnership with the crew at Allison Sentry, and we look forward to working with them in the future to make Hartford an even better place to live and work!



- ◆ The Second Annual Hartford Police Department Citizen's Academy session graduated in November. This year's group of 15 recruits tackled some new topics to the program. Here is a little of what they had to say:



Session 1: Introduction to the Department, its staff, and programs/Department facility & equipment tour

“Seeing the way the Hartford P.D. is using technology – very proud! You need more space!” Karen VanHandel

Session 2: Vehicle Contacts & Professional Communications

“It was really interesting to know all of the little things that officers have to look out for.” Sadie Marx

Session 3: Emergency Vehicle Operations Course

“Without a doubt the best part of the entire course was this portion. Fun level was top!” Chuck Starr

Session 4: Crime Scene Evidence Processing

“Learning how to process a crime scene, and the tools you use was very interesting.” Melvin Kegel

Session 5: K-9 Investigations

“I was surprised at how the dogs are trained. I thought this was very interesting.” Barb Radschlag

Session 6: Drug Recognition Expert Program

“I really enjoyed the whole powerpoint – Chief Groves was able to keep our interest.”
Sadie Marx

Session 7: Firearms Simulation Drills

“Great Class! I Can’t say enough about this experience!” Chris Schoenwetter

Session 8: Taser Training

“I got tasered twice! What an experience!” Chris Schoenwetter

General Graduate Comments:

“This program was a great insight into the police department. It definitely gives me a more profound appreciation of what you do... I would recommend this program to everyone. Thank you!” Barb Radschlag

“Great program. It shows the “average” citizen why HPD is one of the best departments in Wisconsin.” Dennis Albrecht

“This whole course was fun and insightful! I have recommended it to everyone. Thank You!” Sadie Marx

“I found the entire Citizen’s Academy to be a very rewarding experience...I’m very proud to have been a part of the Citizen’s Academy of Hartford!” Melvin Kegel

“I now have more knowledge of what officers do. Thank you for the opportunity.” Kim Graham

“I want to thank the entire department for their support of the Citizens Academy. This was a learning experience and very informative. All instructors did a great job in their presentations and explained how, what, and why. This is a great community program. I would recommend this program to everyone that would like a better understanding of police policies and work ethics. THANK YOU ALL!” Chuck Starr

4.) SPECIAL OR SPECIFIC PROJECTS/TASKS/ACTIVITIES EXPECTED TO BE ACCOMPLISHED DURING THE UPCOMING MONTH.

- ◆ The Hartford Police Department will partner with Walmart to kick off our “Shop With a Cop” Program. Officers and Staff will volunteer their time to take kids Christmas Shopping with funds generously donated by the Hartford Walmart!



5.) **TRAINING/STAFF DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES OCCURRING DURING THIS MONTH.**

- ◆ Sergeant Cummings attended SWAT training with the Washington County Sheriff's Department
- ◆ PSLO Zywicki attended the Identifying Deceptive Behavior program at Volk Field.
- ◆ Administrative Assistant Moratz attended a training session on the Tax Refund Intercept Program at the University of Wisconsin, Green Bay



6.) **OVERTIME OCCURRING DURING THE MONTH.**

- ◆ Attached please find copies of the documents which track overtime usage in the Department for the month. For purposes of brevity, the data regarding department overtime has been presented in a summary format. If you have specific questions regarding overtime feel free to contact me.

7.) **CASES OF INTEREST THIS MONTH.**

- ◆ 11-11-08, after receiving information regarding subjects possibly dealing drugs and possibly cooking meth at the Silver Bell Motel, 720 Grand Ave, officers were able to perform a traffic stop on one of the suspect vehicles. With the assistance of Trooper Senkbeil and his K-9 unit, the K-9 alerted officers to the presence of illegal narcotics inside the vehicle. Officers were only able to find loose tobacco which was removed from a cigar. Based on their training and experience they recognized this to be consistent with individuals hollowing out cigars to insert the controlled substance marijuana. Officers then gained consent to search two hotel rooms. The K-9 unit found illegal narcotics in one of the rooms and confiscated four individually packaged mini ziplock baggies of marijuana weighing .80, .85, .77 and .22 grams. Officers also located more loose tobacco and cigar rings. Three adult males from Missouri were arrested in this incident.
- ◆ 11-19-08, a 15-year-old Hartford juvenile was arrested on three counts of disorderly conduct and possession of a weapon on school grounds. The suspect had made their shoe into a makeshift weapon by sticking tacks out of the toe of their shoe. The suspect then kicked three different subjects with the shoe, causing a one-inch laceration to the back of one of the victims.

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Groves

David A. Groves, Chief of Police