

NORTH FOND DU LAC POLICE DEPARTMENT

NORTH FOND DU LAC NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING TIMES

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CHIEF LAMB'S WELCOME

Welcome to the Summer 2008 edition of the North Fond du Lac Neighborhood Policing Times. This newsletter was designed to help you learn more about our department, reporting crimes and community problems and to keep you informed about incidents and events occurring in your neighborhood and throughout the community. If you're taking the time to read this newsletter, you're obviously interested in the overall quality of life in the community – and for that we thank you! It's people like you that help us keep this a safe and peaceful community to live, work, and play.

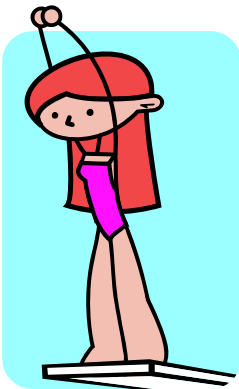
Please have a safe and enjoyable summer, and always remember that you should never hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT FAMILY POOL PARTY

The Police Department will again be hosting a National Night Out Family Pool Party at the Village Pool located at 125 McKinley Street. The pool party will be held on August 5, 2008 from 6:00 pm until 8:30 pm. The public is invited to come and enjoy swimming, relaxing, refreshments, music and a good time. The event is free of charge.

In the event of inclement weather, the pool party will be moved to the High School gymnasium. A number of activities, including a movie, will be arranged at the school.

We sincerely hope that residents will come out to join over 34 million people nationwide to let criminals know that our neighborhoods are truly united and we are dedicated to building a safer community. An informed, alert public working together with law enforcement is our best defense against crime!



UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 5 - National Night Out Family Pool Party
- August 8 - 9th Annual Golf Shoot-out
- September 1 - Labor Day
- September 2 - First Day of School

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Winners of:

2005 WCPA 'Crime Prevention Program/Project of the Year'

2001 WACOP 'Sir Robert Peel Award'

2000 WCPA 'Outstanding Crime Prevention Program'

CAR SEAT SAFETY

Child safety seats work best when they are installed correctly. More than 3 out of 4 are installed incorrectly. Is yours one of them?

The North Fond du Lac Police Department is pleased to announce an added service to the community—child safety seat inspections and hands-on assistance with installation. Sergeant Colette Jaeger has recently earned national certification through Safe Kids Worldwide and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) that qualifies her to provide this free service to parents and caregivers.

“It’s the responsibility of every single parent and caregiver out there to make sure their children are safely restrained – every trip, every time,” says Jaeger. “We are urging everyone to get their child safety seats inspected and to ensure proper installation. When it comes to the safety of a child, there is no room for mistakes.”

According to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration research, 8,325 lives of children under age 5 have been saved by the proper use of child restraints during the past 30 years. In 2006, among children under 5, an estimated 425 lives were saved by child restraint use. Research shows that child restraints provide the best protection for all children up to age 8; after age 8, seat belts provide the best protection.

For maximum child passenger safety, Jaeger said parents and caregivers should refer to the following *4 Steps for Kids* guidelines for determining which restraint system is best suited to protect children, based on age and size:

1. For the best possible protection, keep infants in the back seat, in rear-facing child safety seats, as long as possible up to the height or weight limit of the particular seat. At a minimum, keep infants rear-facing until at least age 1 and at least 20 pounds.
2. When children outgrow their rear-facing seats, they should ride in forward-facing child safety seats, in the back seat, until they reach the upper weight or height limit of the particular seat (usually around age 4 and 40 pounds).
3. Once children outgrow their forward-facing seats, they should ride in booster seats, in the back seat, until the vehicle seat belts fit properly. Seat belts fit properly when the lap belt lays across the upper thighs and the shoulder belt fits across the chest (usually at age 8 or when they are 4’9” tall).
4. When children outgrow their booster seats, they can use the adult seat belts in the back seat, if they fit properly (lap belt lays across the upper thighs and the shoulder belt fits across the chest).

For more information on child passenger safety, or to schedule an appointment to have your child’s safety seat inspected and to learn more about proper installation, contact Sgt. Jaeger by phone at 920-907-6327, extension 610, or by email at cjaeger@nfdl.org.

ALERTS

- On June 1, someone entered a covered boat parked outside a residence in the 100 block of McKinley Street. The suspect(s) removed a tackle box containing approximately \$3,000 worth of fishing tackle. No arrests have been made.
- On June 2, officers were notified that a vehicle had left from the Stretch Truck Stop on North Pioneer Road without paying for gas. Someone had pumped approximately \$40 worth of fuel into their vehicle and drove away before paying. The suspect(s) have not been identified.
- On June 6, a bicycle was stolen from a garage in the 1500 block of Thurke Avenue. The custom bike is valued at approximately \$900. The suspect(s) have not been identified.
- On June 10, someone wrote obscenities and other graffiti on playground equipment at Village Park. The suspect(s) have not been identified.
- On June 12, a student reported to police that her flute had been stolen from the band room at the high school. No arrests have been made.
- On June 17, someone threw rocks onto the roof of the Community Center and broke a window on the building. No suspect(s) have been identified.
- On June 17, someone wrote obscenities and other graffiti on playground equipment at LeMieux Park. The suspect(s) have not been identified.
- On June 22, a resident in the 400 block of Wisconsin Avenue reported that someone damaged a lawn statue, mailbox and shrubs in the yard. The resident also reported that a window on the home was broken. No suspect(s) have been identified.
- On June 30, a resident in the 600 block of Indiana Avenue reported that his garage door had been shot with a pellet gun. No arrests have been made.
- On June 30, unknown suspects damaged toilet paper holders in the mens room at Village Park. No suspect(s) have been identified.
- On July 1, residents in the 700 block of Illinois Avenue reported that two swings had been stolen for the play set in the backyard. The suspect(s) have not been identified.
- On July 1, several residents in the 200 blocks of Center Street, Clinton Street and Marcoe Street reported that clotheslines and hammocks had been vandalized and yard lights had been stolen during the night. Police have not identified any suspect(s).

The cases listed in the newsletter are not all of the calls that have been reported to NFPD. These are cases that NFPD believes can be solved with information provided by the public.

HELP

North Fond du Lac
Police Department
Tipline:
906-4777 ext. 3
You can remain
anonymous.

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CITIZENS
TIPS HELPED
POLICE
SOLVE
MANY OF
THESE
CRIMES



CALL THE
NORTH FOND
DU LAC POLICE
FOR A FREE
HOUSE CHECK
WHILE YOU ARE
AWAY ON
VACATION

- On May 26, a resident in the 1100 block of Michigan Avenue reported that someone had entered their home while they were away and had stolen a Wii game console and games. The investigating officer identified and spoke with two suspects; the juvenile suspects were arrested for theft.
- On May 28, police responded to a report of a disorderly patron at a restaurant on North Pioneer Road. A female customer had passed an obscene and harassing note to a male patron. The suspect was located and issued a citation for disorderly conduct.
- On June 10, officers responded to a call of a man physically abusing a young child at a motel on North Pioneer Road. After interviewing several people, including neighbors and family, the suspect was arrested for Physical Abuse of a Child.
- On June 11, police received a report from a business in the 300 block of Prospect Avenue that two females had entered the store and removed four beverages from the store without paying. The clerk was able to provide a license number to the responding officer. The suspects were identified and issued citations for Theft.
- On June 24, police were notified of people yelling in the 400 block of Harrison Street. Officers investigated the incident and found a loud party in the area. While speaking with residents, officers discovered marijuana at the apartment. The suspect was issued citations for loud & unnecessary noise and for possession of marijuana.
- On July 2, a resident in the 500 block of Wisconsin Avenue reported that a house guest had left the residence with the homeowner's 2001 Oldsmobile Alero. The suspect was located and arrested for Operating a Motor Vehicle without Owner's Consent.
- On July 5, a resident in the 200 block of North Street reported that someone had thrown eggs at their house. The suspect was located and was issued a citation for Deface /Destroy Property.
- On July 8, police received a report from a mother on Chickadee Court that her son had come home with several bikes that he said he had found. Police investigated and learned that the boy's friends had stolen the bicycles. That subject was arrested for Receiving Stolen Property and police continue to investigate the incident.
- On July 9, a resident near the Village Park reported that he was being harassed by two juvenile males. The man reported that the boys had made inappropriate and offensive remarks to him outside his residence. Police located the boys and they were arrested for disorderly conduct.

NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MEMORIAL FUND

On October 19th, 1984, President Ronald Reagan signed public law 98-534, authorizing the Law Enforcement Officers Fund to establish a memorial in Washington, D.C. to honor law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty. This memorial and associated foundation, The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF), continue the tradition of honoring Law Enforcement Officers who have given the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

On October 15th, 1991, the National Law Enforcement Memorial was dedicated in Washington, D.C. Today it stands as a growing tribute to fallen officers throughout the country. To date, it bears the names of over 17,500 officers who have been killed in the line of duty dating back to the first known death in 1792. Each year, thousands of people visit the memorial to pay their respects with the largest gathering occurring during National Police Week each year.

National Police Week is held around the second week in May each year and brings hundreds of thousands of officers, loved ones, friends and the general public to Washington, D.C. to remember those that have been killed in the line of duty. Events including walking tours, conventions, guest speakers, run/walks, memorial motorcycle rides and a candlelight vigil all encompass an emotional week of remembrance.

In 2000, the National Law Enforcement Memorial continued to grow with the joint declaration from Congress and President Clinton authorizing the establishment of a National Law Enforcement Museum which is currently in development stages today. This museum will be a natural extension to the National Law Enforcement Memorial and will be the nation's largest and most comprehensive museum honoring the duty and sacrifice of America's Law Enforcement Officers. Dubbed, "A Matter of Honor", this museum will allow visitors to experience interactive exhibits allowing them to walk in an officer's shoes from the academy to the streets. The museum will also offer an astounding, large-scale look at the history of Law Enforcement throughout the United States and the world.

The NLEOMF is largely funded by the general public with help from corporate sponsorship. Interested parties can make a tax deductible contribution to the fund to help finance engraving of the names of fallen officers onto the memorial. Contributions are also being accepted towards the development and building of the museum. NLEOMF donations are accepted online at www.nleomf.com.

North Fond du Lac Police Officer Nic Teachout is an ambassador for the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund. If you are interested in receiving additional information pertaining to this cause, please contact Officer Teachout at 920-929-3760 x616.

ON AVERAGE,
MORE THAN
56,000 LAW
ENFORCEMENT
OFFICERS ARE
ASSAULTED EACH
YEAR, RESULTING
IN OVER 16,000
INJURIES.

THERE ARE MORE
THAN 900,000
SWORN LAW
ENFORCEMENT
OFFICERS NOW
SERVING IN THE
UNITED STATES,
WHICH IS THE
HIGHEST FIGURE
EVER. ABOUT
12% OF THOSE
ARE FEMALE.

A TOTAL OF
1,691 LAW
ENFORCEMENT
OFFICERS DIED IN
THE LINE OF
DUTY DURING
THE PAST 10
YEARS, AN
AVERAGE OF ONE
DEATH EVERY 53
HOURS OR 167
PER YEAR.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE



Property Maintenance = Reduced Crime

One of the many duties of the North Fond du Lac Police Department is to help ensure the safety and well being of your community. Studies from many institutions have shown that communities and neighborhoods that are well maintained, and those that do not have junk vehicles or debris around homes, have lower crime rates. Lower crime, obviously, is one of our main objectives. The theory, known as the “Broken Window Theory”, basically states that where one violation exists, more will follow. Neighborhoods that contain junk and properties that are not maintained give the impression of neglect and a lack of care or pride. Neglected neighborhoods and areas where abandoned vehicles, debris, and weeds accumulate make people feel unsafe. These same areas seem to be an invitation for an increase in criminal behavior. In an effort to continue to make North Fond du Lac a great place to live, work, and play, the Village Board adopted a municipal ordinance regarding property maintenance many years ago.

Municipal Ordinance 9.18 regulates the maintenance of all properties located in the Village of North Fond du Lac. Items such as unlicensed or inoperable vehicles; accumulations of rocks, wood, construction materials and debris; and the presence of rubbish, metal, discarded items and other items of “blighting influence” to the neighborhood are all violations of the ordinance.

While some property owners feel they should be able to have whatever they want on their property, we have to remember that we all share our community. Property that is not maintained can have a negative effect on the value of neighboring homes, the quality of life to area residents, and the image of the community as a whole.



The Police Department has been granted the authority to enforce this ordinance and make sure properties are in compliance with the law. While police officers try to gain voluntary compliance through working with property owners and pointing out violations, sometimes citations must be issued. A citation for up to \$676.00 can be issued to the property owner for each day the property remains in violation of the code. For continued violations and lack of compliance, the police department can petition a Judge to order the removal of any items in violation. The cost of such removal will be at the expense of the property owner and would be in addition to any citation costs.

The police department appreciates the voluntary compliance of citizens with this and all other laws. It is through this compliance that we all help to continue to make North Fond du Lac a great community.





9th Annual Golf Shoot-out

Steak Fry & Banquet after Golf

Pro Shop Gift Certificates for 1st & 2nd Place

18-hole scramble

\$75 per person

Date: Friday, August 8, 2008

Shotgun Start: 11:00 a.m.

Rolling Meadows Golf Course

Hwy 151 & USH 41, Fond du Lac

PLAYER 1 _____ PLAYER 2 _____

PLAYER 3 _____ PLAYER 4 _____

BANQUET ONLY (\$25 EACH) _____ NO. GUESTS _____

Unable to attend, but please accept donation: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: NFDL Police Benevolent Association

Mail registration & payment to: *Detective Sergeant Brian Liethen*
16 Garfield Street
North Fond du Lac, WI 54937

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Emergency: 911
Administrative: 920-929-3760

COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE

WINNERS OF:

2005 WCPPA 'CRIME PREVENTION
PROGRAM/PROJECT OF THE YEAR'


2001 WACOP 'SIR ROBERT PEEL
AWARD'

2000 WCPPA 'OUTSTANDING
CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM'

WE'RE ON THE WEB:

WWW.NFDL.ORG

LAW ENFORCEMENT
OATH OF HONOR



On my honor,
I will never betray my badge,
my integrity, my character,
or the public trust.

I will always have the courage
to hold myself and others
accountable for our actions.

I will always uphold the Constitution,
the community and
the agency I serve.

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cussed in the newsletter, please contact:

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