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July Police Report

July Crashes

In July there were 3 crash reports made for the month of July. The crashes were located in the following locations: 1-500 block of A Avenue SE, 2- Oak Ridge Drive SE, 3-Casey Parking lot.

Department Training

Officer Moel attended a recertification course to maintain his Clandestine Lab certification and Sgt. Shannon attended training on financial related Investigations.

Police Car Update

The 2014 Ford Interceptor SUV has had equipment installed and was placed into service last week.

Cornell College Students returning

Athletes with the exception of the Football players reported last Friday August 15th. Football players report tomorrow August 19th. Freshman report August 27th and the remaining students report Saturday August 30th. Classes begin on Monday September 1st.

Reserve Officers

Mount Vernon Reserve testing will be conducted August 23rd, 2014. Currently we have 5 applicants for 3 positions. Applicants complete a written exam a physical agility section that requires applicants to run 1.5 miles, complete a specific number of pushups and sit-ups as well as a flexibility test. Applicants are fingerprinted and thorough background investigation is conducted also.

GTSB- s.T.E.P. Enforcement

Officers will be conducting additional traffic enforcement throughout August but more specifically August 25th through September 7th. Additional enforcement during this time period is in an effort to slow traffic down and ensure the roadways remain safe during the high volume of traffic that routinely takes place in conjunction with the Labor Day Holiday traffic.

R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense) Class

Once again Officer Todd Gehrke will team up with Brenda Lovstuen of Cornell College in teaching this class. The Cornerstone of R.A.D. Systems, this course has its foundations in education and awareness. The course includes lecture, discussion and self-defense techniques suitable for women of all ages and abilities. Classes range from a minimum of nine to twelve hours plus in length, depending on the Instructor. The dates and times for this have not yet been set however we would like to hear from those that might be interested in participating in the course this fall.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Chief of Police