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ELEVEN DIVISION

A message from Peter Lennox, Unit Commander of 11 Division

In 1982, I joined the Metropolitan Toronto Police Force. Today, I am a proud member of the Toronto Police Service. The years have seen not only a change in name, but also in approach and philosophy. I have a deep respect for the police of earlier generations; their basic job was the same as ours today, which is "to serve and protect", investigating and preventing crime and disorder problems and working to improve quality of life. As an organization, however, we need and want community input and participation more than ever.

Community-based policing was introduced late in the 20th Century, and has evolved in the past few decades. Police services around the world are coming closer to the vision articulated by Sir Robert Peel in his "Principles of Policing"; in 1829, Peel wrote, "the police are the public and the public are the police". Through community policing and its related philosophies, the police are becoming one resource through which the community comes together to solve problems. The police are becoming more and more integrated into the other problem-solving processes across the community.

Today, this partnership between police and community has evolved even further to embrace *community mobilization*. "The goal of Community Mobilization is to identify shared community values and support and empower communities to build the capacity necessary to resist and or prevent crime and disorder." We are all equal community partners, working toward our strong, shared interest in having and maintaining safe, vibrant and prosperous places to live and work.

11 Division has much to offer with many diverse and wonderful neighbourhoods. It has many committed, involved and passionate residents' groups, business improvement associations and other organizations dedicated to community betterment. Similarly, the men and women of 11 Division are approachable, dedicated professionals who are committed to addressing crime and quality of life issues. I am deeply proud of them. Recent community and police partnerships have produced a number of significant successes and will continue to yield more in the future. Together, we do make a difference. Keep up the good work. Remember, be *aware*, be *safe*, be *informed* and be *involved*.

Regards
Peter Lennox, Staff Inspector, No. 11 Division

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ARREST OF THE MONTH



Thefts from Autos

Toronto has recently been experiencing an increased number of thefts from autos in specific areas. Vehicles have been damaged and property has been stolen. The impact on the community is easily identifiable. An initiative was created to address this concern within 11 Division. The combined intensified efforts of 11 Division's crime management team, plain clothes officers and uniform personnel have yielded results. A number of arrests have been made.

Operation "Broken Window" - 113 charges laid

The project focused on night-time thefts from vehicles in the neighbourhood around Symington Avenue and Dupont Street. The project ran between Wednesday the 20th January 2010 and Wednesday the 27th of January 2010.

In total, 86 people were investigated, 10 were arrested, 113 criminal charges laid and four arrest warrants were executed.

The following is a summary of arrests and charges:

1. Fatmir Krasnici of Toronto (34 years):
 - 1) 13 counts of Theft Under \$5000
 - 2) 10 counts of Mischief Under \$5000
 - 3) Possession of Stolen Property
 - 4) Attempt Fraud Under \$5000
 - 5) Personation with Intent
 - 6) Use Credit Card Obtained by Crime
 - 7) 33 counts of Fail to Comply with Probation
 - 8) 12 counts of Fail to comply with Recognizance
 - 9) Obstruct Police

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- 10) Wear Disguise with Intent
- 11) Assault with Intent to Resist Arrest
- 12) Assault Police
- 13) Possession of Burglar's Tools

2. Robert Carelli (48 years) of Toronto was arrested on two Warrants of Committal.

3. A 15-year-old boy (who cannot be named under the Youth Criminal Justice Act):

- 1) Obstruct Police Officer
- 2) Fail to Comply

4. Mirko Jaksic of Toronto (52 years):

- 1) Assault
- 2) Two counts Fail to Comply with Probation

5. James Vandewater (51 years) of Toronto was arrested on two Warrants of Committal.

6. Vladimir Golovnia of Toronto (47 years):

- 1) Break and Enter with Intent
- 2) Possession of Burglar's Tools
- 3) 16 counts of Possession of Stolen Property

7. Jason Mitchell of Toronto (19 years):

- 1) Mischief Under \$5000,

8. Mathew Quintyne (18 years), Nikolai Berda (18 years) and Sheldon Owusu (18 years) all of Toronto are jointly charged with:

- 1) Five counts of Theft Under \$5000,
- 2) Five counts of Mischief Under \$5000,
- 3) Possession of Stolen Property.

Mathew Quintyne is additionally charged with Fail to Comply with Undertaking.

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Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 416-808-7400, Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-TIPS (8477), online at www.222tips.com, or text TOR and your message to CRIMES (274637).

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES



Drinking and driving

Drinking and driving remains the number one criminal cause of death in Canada. In Ontario, approximately one quarter of all road fatalities are alcohol related. The Toronto Police Service recognizes the danger that drinking and driving pose to all our citizens. We are vigilant in our measures to recognize, intervene and deal with those people who endanger us all.

The message is, and always will be, "If you drink, don't drive."

We would also remind everyone that choosing a responsible option to driving is the first step. Public transit, designated drivers, taxis and hotels are all excellent choices.

It is also worth noting that walking while intoxicated is extremely dangerous. Many pedestrians have been seriously injured or killed from walking, stumbling or falling into traffic.

As a reminder, if you see someone who appears to be, or you know is driving, or about to drive impaired call 911 immediately.

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Distracted driving campaign results

Traffic Services - 416-808-1900

On Monday the 1st of February 2010, the Toronto Police Service launched a week long enforcement campaign dubbed "Control Your Fate, The Message Can Wait,"

This initiative was designed to support Bill 188, the Distracted Driving Legislation, enacted to curb the dangerous activities associated with drivers who use cell phones and other hand held communications and entertainment devices while driving.

During the seven day program, which ended on Sunday the 7th of February 2010, the Toronto Police Service issued:

- 95 charges for a Display Screen Visible to the Driver,
- 1,321 charges for Hand Held Communication Device,
- 83 charges for Hand Held Entertainment Device.

On the positive side, these numbers indicate a higher level of compliance than for seatbelt laws which have been in existence for over 35 years.

Related to the distraction charges, a further:

- 157 charges were laid for Careless Driving,
- 3,799 charges were laid for other distraction related hazardous driver offences.

The Toronto Police Service will continue its efforts to minimize the potential for danger that distractions while driving pose to all of the people who use Toronto's roads through continued education and enforcement.

TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS

Police Constables Dan Rohde and Susie Fassbender of the 11 Division Traffic Office are responsible for the monitoring and enforcement action related to any and all traffic concerns received by the division. If you have any traffic related concerns please contact them at 416-808-1152 or at Danny.Rohde@torontopolice.on.ca or Susan.Fassbender@torontopolice.on.ca

Please let us know if you see traffic safety problems in our community!

REMEMBER: IF YOU DRINK, DON'T DRIVE!

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CHILD SAFETY SEATS



The Toronto Police Service offers free inspection of your child safety seat installation at many of our stations. As Toronto Police Service members provide this inspection in addition to their regular duties, please call ahead and book an appointment. If you just show up at a station you may be disappointed. New parents please call well in advance of your expected due date.

To properly install your seat, please read both your child safety seat instruction booklet and your vehicle owner's manual. We will happily inspect your installation. Any seat that is installed incorrectly will be made right before you leave.

Where can I get help in Toronto and the Greater Toronto Area?

The Toronto Police Service offers car seat inspection at many divisions. This free service is offered on an **appointment-only** basis. Additionally, the T.P.S., in conjunction with Child Safety Seat Coalition, offers open seat clinics at various times during the year. Please contact your nearest division for an appointment.

11 Division 416-808-1124	22 Division 416-808-2210
12 Division 416-808-1251	23 Division 416-808-2324
13 Division 416-808-1324	31 Division 416-808-3124
14 Division 416-808-1524	32 Division 416-808-3219
52 Division 416-808-5224	33 Division 416-808-3325
53 Division 416-808-5324	41 Division 416-808-4124
54 Division 416-808-5424	42 Division 416-808-4324
55 Division 416-808-5524	51 Division 416-808-5124

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Pedestrian Safety Advice

Traffic Services
416-808-1900

Pedestrian deaths on our roadways have represented a greater percentage of all traffic fatalities over the last few years.

To ensure pedestrian safety, police would like to remind the public of their responsibilities crossing the roadways.

To lawfully cross a signalized intersection with pedestrian controls, you may only enter the roadway when the walk signal is illuminated for your direction of travel.

It is illegal to enter the roadway if the "do not walk signal" is flashing or is solid.

When there are no pedestrian controls, you may only enter the roadway on a solid green signal for your direction of travel.

Where there are painted lines on the roadway indicating either a pedestrian crosswalk or pedestrian crossover, you must cross within those lines.

It is illegal to cross a street mid block and interfere with traffic.

The Toronto Police Service is encouraging pedestrians and motorists to be alert and take the necessary steps to ensure their safety by following these tips:

- cross with traffic controls and be cautious when crossing any intersection,
- pay attention to surroundings when entering and leaving TTC vehicles,
- make sure you are visible; wear bright or reflective clothing,
- make an effort to get eye contact with drivers before stepping off the curb,
- be patient and courteous and respectful of all road users,
- cross on a fresh signal and watch out for vehicles turning across your path.

Pedestrians have the same responsibility as motorists to follow the rules of the road and not compromise their safety or that of any road users. No matter who has the right of way, pedestrians should always be prepared to stop, look and listen for other traffic to avoid a collision.

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NEWS RELEASES

Three young offenders face nine charges in break-and-enter investigation - 11 Division

On Tuesday the 19th of January 2010 at 8:20 p.m. police responded to a break and enter call at a home on Pasadena Gardens.

It is alleged that the homeowner returned home and found that a door window had been smashed. After further inspection it was realized that a number of items had been stolen. Officers from 11 Division attended in conjunction with Police Dog Services. The three accused youths were tracked to a nearby address and arrested.

Three 16-year-old boys, who cannot be named under the Youth Criminal Justice Act, have each been charged with:

- 1) Break and Enter Commit
- 2) Possession of Burglars Tools
- 3) Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Under \$5,000.00

CRIME PREVENTION BULLETIN

Thefts from vehicles

Recently, there have been a number of thefts from autos in 11 Division.

It is important to remember not to leave valuables of any kind in your vehicle. This includes global positioning systems, laptops, cell phones, wallets, purses, briefcases, cash or identification including vehicle ownership and insurance. An empty gym bag or a handful of change may be significant enough to draw criminal interest in your vehicle. Even leaving the suction cup mounting system for the GPS on the windshield may cause the criminal to believe something of value has been left in your car. Thieves have even been known to look for the residual ring on windshield glass when the suction cup is removed!

Although nothing of value may be available to be stolen, the cost of repairs to broken car windows and the inconvenience caused to you makes it advisable to remove all such accessories from sight. This is true even if the vehicle is parked in an underground garage.

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- If you must leave valuables in your vehicle, while shopping for example, please ensure all items are locked in the trunk.
- Personal safety and theft prevention are always important things to keep in mind. Remember many crimes are crimes of opportunity. Criminals are people watchers and they are mobile.
- Always be aware of your surroundings. Look and listen. Walk with a purpose and with confidence. Do not overburden your hands with parcels. Have your car keys ready and available to unlock your vehicle. Have your car keys and house keys on different key rings.
- When parking your vehicle always lock it and roll up the windows. **Never leave the vehicle running while unattended.** You should try and park in areas that are both well lit and well travelled. Never leave a spare key in the vehicle. Before getting into your parked car look into the front and rear compartments.
- All crimes should be reported to the police immediately. Hesitate only long enough to ensure your safety.
- **All suspicious events and people should be reported to the police immediately. Confrontation with suspicious people or suspected criminals is not recommended.**
- If a crime has occurred do not touch anything or clean up until the police have inspected for evidence. Note the description of any suspicious person and the licence plate of any suspicious vehicle.

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS



Crime Stoppers is a partnership of the public, police and media that provides the community with a proactive program for people to assist the police anonymously to solve crimes and, thereby, to contribute to an improved quality of life.

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How Crime Stoppers Works:

Each week, the media appeals for information about unsolved crimes that are highlighted in television re-enactments, radio spots and newspaper articles. Individuals who know of anyone responsible for a crime or have information that will assist investigators, can call Crime Stoppers at 416-222-8477 (TIPS) or use the toll free number, 1-800-222-TIPS. Crime Stoppers takes information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You never have to identify yourself or testify in court. If the tip leads to an arrest, you may earn a reward of up to \$2,000. People providing information are given a secret code number. Calls are not recorded and no one involved with Crime Stoppers knows the identity of the callers. Crime Stoppers doesn't have call display.

A record breaking year for Toronto Crime Stoppers

In 2009, Toronto Crimes Stoppers received 10,249 tips, a record breaking number of anonymous tips.

2009 final statistics:

- 401 arrests
- 953 cleared cases
- 2,000 charges laid
- \$3.4 million in recovered property
- \$10.7 million in seized drugs
- 53 seized guns
- 29 other weapons recovered

416-222-TIPS - Crime Stoppers - Report anonymously to police any information regarding a crime (or online at www.222tips.com) Text TOR and your message to CRIMES (274637)

CPLC REPORTING – Community Police Liaison Committee

WHO ARE WE?

The Community Police Liaison Committee is made up of representatives from the community, business, youth, and police. We are dedicated to increasing safety and security for the public by identifying community and policing concerns. Our members live or work within the geographical area. We have a voice in local policing initiatives and are part of the decision making process. The Committee

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usually meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month with the exception of July and August usually at the divisional police station or a community facility.

WHO CAN JOIN?

- You must be interested and committed to participating
- Represent a group or area within the community
- Ideally, live or work within the 11 Division community
- Be knowledgeable of community
- Be willing to be actively involved in CPLC activities
- Be willing to problem solve

WHAT DO WE DO?

Advocacy

- Identify and increase public awareness of crime issues

Education

- Develop and organize community information meetings and workshops related to crime prevention and public safety

Communication

- Share information and establish linkages with other organizations concerned with community and public safety
- Increase dialogue between the community and police to address issues relating to crime, disorder, and violence
- Be available to members of the community
- Arrange community information meetings
- Provide inclusive consultation with the community and police in problem solving

Implementation

- Provide support for various programs and activities to achieve and maintain a safe community

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

If you know of a safety or security problem in your neighbourhood, contact the committee. Members of the committee are available to discuss your concerns. We encourage you to become involved. Your input is important and welcomed.

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For more information contact 11 Division at:

Phone: 416-808-1119 / E-mail: 11division@torontopolice.on.ca

<u>CPLC Dates for 2010</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Tuesday 23 February	7:00PM	66 Roncesvalles Avenue
Tuesday 23 March	7:00PM	To be announced

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

**Interested in a policing career with the Toronto Police Service?
Information session for women, Saturday, March 6, 2010, 9:45 a.m. to
noon, Toronto Police College, 70 Birmingham Street**

Employment
416-808-5646

A general information session and practice physical training session will be presented on Saturday March 6, 2010 from 9:45 a.m.– noon. This event is for women interested in a career in law enforcement with the Toronto Police Service. The session will be held at the Toronto Police College, 70 Birmingham Street, and will be conducted by members of the Toronto Police Service Recruiting Unit. The practice session will include the PREP portion of the Selection Process. Those interested in attending the session are requested to contact the Recruiting Unit at 416-808-JOIN (5646). Registration is required, as space is limited. Gym attire is required.

TPS LINKS

Welcome to the Toronto Police Service Community Automated Notification System

In support of Community Mobilization efforts, The Toronto Police Service (TPS) is pleased to introduce the TPSlinks system. TPSlinks is community automated notification system that delivers vital information to residents and business owners within the city of Toronto. TPSlinks will utilize sophisticated software by strategically sending information to a selected geographic area made possible through a community member sign-up webpage. Messages will be prepared and

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delivered by local Divisional Toronto Police Service officers through voice and text messaging. Message types and user delivery profiles can be tailored to meet the needs and preferences for each registered community member. Community members can choose to change their profile or unsubscribe at anytime.

Types of Messages

TPSlinks will transmit messages using landline and cellular telephone options. The registration page enables community members to create a user profile which will specify the message types that the community member wishes to receive and restrict the types that are not desired. TPSlinks will send informative messages ranging from city events to safety notifications and emergency incidents. The following are examples of message types that will be delivered:

- Special Events
- Community Meetings
- Road Closures
- School Lockdowns
- Critical Incident Notifications
- Missing Person Notifications
- Citizen Evacuations
- Suspicious Person Notifications

How do I register?

Residents and business owners within the city of Toronto who wish to enrol to TPSlinks are provided with two registration methods as described below.

They can register online via the Toronto Police Service internet site or complete a hardcopy form available online and at their local police station. Community members will be required to create a TPSlinks user profile by completing all required fields on the TPSlinks registration form. The user profile will increase the speed in which the system delivers messages, and will identify the geographic area where the messages are to be delivered. Community members also have the option to edit their online user profile or unsubscribe at any time. To unsubscribe, simply go to the registration page, open your user profile and select the deregister button at the bottom of the page. Your information and all identifiers will be removed and subsequent messages will not be delivered. To change an

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existing user profile, select edit with the user profile and make the appropriate changes. The changes will occur immediately.

What to Expect

Phone Message Option

Community members who select messages to be delivered to their home or cellular telephone will receive calls from TPSlinks with a pre-recorded message. If the telephone is not answered, the TPSlinks will leave a message at the end of the voice mail greeting.

Text Message Option

Community members who choose the text message option will receive text messages from TPSlinks on their cellular or blackberry devices. Please note your phone carrier may charge you for incoming text messages.

Who will Receive Messages?

TPSlinks is available to all community members who work or live in the city of Toronto. Long distance phone numbers will not be accessible and messages will not be delivered to these numbers.

Requirements

Community members signing up for TPSlinks, dependant upon the mode of messages receipt, will require:

- a telephone or cellular telephone number that is currently in service
- or a valid e-mail address for login purposes

When the Toronto Police Service sends a message, the address provided by the community member on the registration page will be used and all community members who are within the selected geographical area will receive the message. If information was not entered, or entered improperly, the appropriate message will not be delivered.

For more information or to register please visit www.torontopolice.on.ca

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SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD INFORMATION



The Toronto Police Service invites you to apply for the position of School Crossing Guards to work in 11 Division.

Your main duty will be to ensure that all school-aged children up to including grade six students cross the street safely. You may as a courtesy assist older children, adults, elderly citizens, the disabled or any other person you feel would benefit from your assistance. The salary for this position is \$10.67 per hour, with a 12% travel allowance and 4% vacation pay equal to a total of \$12.38 hourly. Positions are available for either regular shifts or on an on call basis.

Qualifications required:

Applicants must be eligible to work in Canada.

Applicants must be a minimum of 18 years of age.

Applicants must have the ability to communicate in English.

All applicants must pass a vision test.

All applicants must provide a Certificate of Fitness from their family physician confirming that they are physically fit to carry out the duties of a crossing guard.

Applicants must not have been convicted of a criminal offence for which a pardon has not been obtained. If a pardon was obtained, proof of pardon must be provided.

A Security check will be conducted.

For information about the school crossing locations available and the hours of work please contact Luisa Brown 416-808-1235 or Meera Gooool at 416-808-1061.

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COMMUNITY ALERTS

Community alerts are e-mails used to warn citizen subscribers in a timely manner of criminal events or other police related matters that are going on in the division (their neighbourhood) and that may affect them, their family or their business. To receive community alerts directly to your desktop please follow the instructions below.

1. Go to www.torontopolice.on.ca
2. Once the Toronto Police Service web site home page is displayed then click on Police Stations (found on the left hand side of page under subtitle "Serving Toronto").
3. A page entitled "Divisional Policing Command" will be displayed. On the right hand side of the page under the heading Central Field, 40 College St. will be found 11 Division, 209 Mavety St. among eight other stations. Click on 11 Division.
4. The 11 Division web page will be displayed. In the top right corner of the page is a blue box with the phrase " Sign-up for Community Alerts". Click on this.
5. You will then be shown a page entitled " Toronto Police Service Mailing Lists". Directly below this title you will find "Sign-up" or four lines below this title you will find "Sign-up here to start receiving news and information today". Click either one.
6. You will then be shown a "Toronto Police Service Mailing Lists - Sign Up" page, asking for name, e-mail address (twice) and a password. Fill in the fields requested and then just to the right mid-page is a blue box asking for you to "Select mailing lists". Pick the ones you want.
7. Subsequent to this procedure you may receive an e-mail asking you to confirm that you have signed up to receive community alerts. Just follow the directions found in the e-mail and will start receiving community alerts.

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General Toronto Police Contact Information

9-1-1 - Should be used for the following emergencies:

Crime in progress: situations in which the safety of people or property are at risk

Fire

Medical emergencies

416-808-2222 - Should be used for non-emergency situations

416-222-TIPS - Crime Stoppers - Report anonymously to police any information regarding a crime (or online at www.222tips.com) Text TOR and your message to CRIMES (274637)

11 Division Contact List

Unit Commander – Staff Inspector Peter Lennox – 416-808-1113

Second in Command – Inspector David Saunders – 416-808-1112

Criminal Investigations -

Detective Sergeant Niels Sondergaard – 416-808-1141

General Number – 416-808-1104

Community Response Unit –

Officer in Charge - Staff Sergeant Bruce Morrison - 416-808-1183

Neighbourhood Officers – Sergeant Blain Young – 416-808-1137
Sergeant Sean Lenfesty – 416-808-1137

Traffic – Sergeant Inkeri McCormack – 416-808-1124

Crime Prevention/Community Relations – PC Russ Golding - 416-808-1108

11 Station – 11 Division front desk – 416-808-1100

11 Division fax – 416-808-1102 - e-mail address 11division@torontopolice.on.ca

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11 Division Toronto Police Service NIGHT LISTING INFORMATION

The information below is required by the personnel of your local police division to enable them to locate a responsible representative of your company outside your business hours. Contact will only be made in an emergency situation involving your company.

Name of Company

Address of Company

Telephone Number Fax

Type of Business

Type of Building

Safe on Premises ? YES NO

If Yes indicate Location

Safe visible from street ? YES NO

Security Officer on site ? YES NO

Alarm on premise ? YES NO

Name of Alarm Company

Telephone No

Indicate location of lights left on or check "None" if all lights are off.

None

Please indicate specifically if you have on your premises any substances, packages or chemicals which are dangerous:

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY NOTIFY:

Name (Surname, Given) Address, Telephone, Position with Company

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Please **mail or fax** this completed form to: Toronto Police 11 Division
209 Mavety Street
Toronto, Ontario M6P 2M1
Attention: Russ Golding P.C. 3791
Fax # (416) 808-1102

PLEASE INFORM 11 DIVISION OF ANY CHANGES IMMEDIATELY.

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