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A MESSAGE FROM SUPT. GOTTSCHALK, UNIT COMMANDER OF 22 DIVISION.



Greetings To All!!

I can't wait for spring! Like most of you, I have had my fill of the cold and I look forward to the warm days of spring and summer. In anticipation of the warmer weather I would ask that everyone be mindful of traffic safety. Traffic safety in a Toronto Police Service priority and with warmer weather and more of us outside, we sometimes forget that the rules of the road also apply to pedestrians. Tragically we have noticed an increase in collisions involving pedestrians. In most incidents involving pedestrians it has been shown that the collision was avoidable. As we have seen with the growing number of fatalities, losses can be devastating. So please, be aware of the rules of the road, pay attention to what you are doing and remind your children of the dangers of being inattentive near our roadways.

I would like to share with you my concerns over the continuing incidents of domestic assault. Unfortunately, on a daily basis we are called to the homes of domestic and spousal assault victims. Research has shown that invariably this type of criminal activity will increase and will not stop until there is intervention. Factors that make it difficult for victims to report these assaults include the tremendous emotional stresses that victims face, particularly within a marriage break-up, the potential loss of income if the assailant is removed from the home and the impact on any children. If you or anyone you know is being assaulted or abused there is help. The Toronto Police Service can assist in finding shelter for victims and their children to stop the abuse. Report the abuse.

Paul Gottschalk

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Crime Prevention Tip of the Month:

The Parent Responsibility Act

Recovering Losses in Small Claims Court

This brochure describes how victims of property crime can recover losses under the law that holds parents financially responsible for property loss or damage intentionally caused by their children under 18.

<http://www.attorneygeneral.jus.gov.on.ca/english/courts/scc/recoveringlosses.pdf>

For more information contact
Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General
Phone 416-326-2220
Web site <http://www.attorneygeneral.jus.gov.on.ca>

Police Constable Allan Benson
22 Division Crime Prevention Officer.

CRIME ANALYSIS:-

Crime analysis is a type of law enforcement analysis that is focused on the study of criminal incidents; the identification and analysis of patterns, trends, and problems; and the dissemination of information that helps a police agency develop tactics and strategies to solve patterns, trends, and problems.

Part of crime analysis is the study of immediate crime patterns and series ("tactical crime analysis"), often helping the agency to identify and apprehend the offender, sometimes by generating predictions about where and when the offender is likely to strike next. Another part involves long-term trends and chronic problems ("strategic crime analysis"), helping agencies to identify root causes of crime problems and develop creative problem-solving strategies to reduce crime. Analysts also provide general statistical, mapping, and data querying capabilities to police agencies ("administrative crime analysis"), and some of them study agencies' internal operations, helping to develop efficient and effective shift and beat allocations (police operations analysis").

Since most crime analysts work for local police agencies, and local police agencies vary considerably in size, crime analysts have a wide range of responsibilities. Some, in large agencies, study only particular crimes or particular districts. Others, in smaller agencies, spend as much time on non-criminal disorder and quality-of-life incidents (e.g., noise complaints, traffic accidents) as they do on crime.

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Since crime analysis bridges research and practice, it requires a wide variety of skills and abilities. To identify patterns, crime analysis must employ complex databases, mapping systems, and (in the case of some larger departments) artificial intelligence networks. Analysis of a crime pattern or trend involves thoughtful consideration of many factors: offender and victim characteristics, modus operandi, days and times, and geography and environment, to name a few. Analysts are often asked to forecast the date, time, and location of the next crime in a series—a complex process fraught with statistical dangers. Crime analysis products, in the form of bulletins and reports, are equally complex, requiring strong writing and desktop publishing skills. Choosing the best strategy to address a problem = is a difficult task that must be based on intelligent examination of the analyst's report. Finally, the now inextricable link between crime analysis and computer science means that the analyst must master complex word processing and desktop publishing programs, database applications, statistical packages, and geographic information systems (GIS).

In short, crime analysis draws upon many skills, to help front line and investigative personnel prevent crime, apprehend and prosecute offenders, solve problems, and allocate resources.

PROJECT BREAKWATER

22 Division, Major Crime Unit

Beginning in early December, a specific area within 22 Division has been plagued with a series of residential break and enters.

These residential break and enters have been occurring at all hours, however, the majority have been at night between the hours 7 p.m. until 7 a.m.

The perpetrators have been targeting anything of value, from laptop computers and electronics, to tools, and jewellery.

The purpose of this project is to therefore identify and apprehend the perpetrators responsible for committing these offences and / or prevent these crimes from plaguing this small community.

The Toronto Police Service has outlined in their Service Priorities that Community Safety and Security is paramount.

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Residents are reminded to be mindful of their properties, activate alarms at all times, and call Police for suspicious persons noticed in the area.

Project Breakwater Results:-

Persons Investigated - 260.

Highway Traffic Act Charges: - 85

LiQ Lic Act Charges: - 4

Trespass to Property Act Charges: - 14

Arrests: -10

Traffic Initiatives

From the Traffic Sergeant.

Traffic News

I have had to field calls from citizens involved in motor vehicle collisions numerous times when they do not understand why they were charged. One of the more common situations asked about is as follows:

You are travelling northbound in heavy traffic and are slowly approaching a side street where you are hoping to make a left hand turn into. You look up ahead at the southbound lanes and do not observe any traffic approaching you from the front. You begin to make your turn and are struck (or strike) a vehicle that came up from behind (north bound in the south bound lanes).

The Highway Traffic Act states:

142. (1) The driver or operator of a vehicle upon a highway before turning to the left or right at any intersection or into a private road or driveway or from one lane for traffic to another lane for traffic or to leave the roadway shall first see that the movement can be made in safety, and if the operation of any other vehicle may be affected by the movement shall give a signal plainly visible to the driver or operator of the other vehicle of the intention to make the movement. R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8, s. 142 (1).

What this means is that it is the responsibility of the driver making the turn to first make sure it can be done safely. Before making any turns, you have to check for traffic approaching from all directions.

Until next time, drive safely.

Sergeant Antonio Macias

22 Division - Traffic Response Unit.

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Spot Checks:

Royal York & Evans
Bloor & The Kingsway

Bloor & Prince Edward

Unit Initiatives

Additional Patrols

West Mall high rises,
Islington Subway
Kipling subway,
Sherway Gardens
Lakeshore & Twenty-Fifth
East Mall complexes

Centennial Park
Queensway Big Box stores
Father Redmond School
Mabelle / Cordova area
Lakeshore, Twenty-Seventh to Forty-
Second

NEWSWORTHY EVENTS & ARRESTS

ROBBERY FAST FOOD RESTAURANT:-

On 31st Jan 2010 at 17:55 hrs, the victim was at a fast food restaurant, on Rathburn Road when the victim was approached by the suspect indicating that he had a firearm and relinquished his I-Pod & cell phone from the victim, he suspect fled the restaurant via the rear door.

Suspect:- male, black, 16 yrs, 5'7" to 5"10, 150 lbs, two blemishes on his right cheek, black denim hat, pants and a hood.

ROBBERY - Bank:

On Friday February 5th, 2010 three males entered the CIBC, located at Lloyd Manor Road. Suspect #1 and # 2 went behind the counter and demanded the victim open her till. The suspect then grabbed a quantity of money. Suspect #3 armed with a silver handgun waited by the door.

All suspects fled the bank on foot northbound where they dropped a quantity of money, and were seen entering a vehicle located in the parking lot just east of the plaza on the south side of Eglinton Ave. West.

Suspect #1 - Male, black Med. build, 20-25 yrs, 5' 8" to 5' 10", 160-170 lbs

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Wearing Jacket; dark possibly army pattern, with hood up and a white; face covering

Suspect #2 -Male, black, med. build 20-25 yrs, 6' tall. Wearing White Cloth face covering and a Jacket military color with hood up

Suspect #3 - Male, black, 20-25 yrs, 5'8 to 6' Medium build

Wearing - Jacket; dark with hood up and a face covering, armed with a silver handgun.

ROBBERY – Bank:

On Wednesday, February 17th, 2010 three male suspects entered the CIBC, customers using the ATM back inside the bank. One suspect armed with a handgun stood by the door while the remaining two suspects proceeded to the wicket counter, removing a quantity of cash and coins. The suspects then left the bank and fled in a Dark Green Toyota Camry driven by a fourth suspect.

Suspect #1. M/B, 5'10"-6', 175-185 lbs, dark bomber jacket, hood worn over head, white running shoes.

Suspect # 2. M/B, 5'9", 170 lbs, dark hooded jacket, light colored pants.

Suspect # 3. M/B, 6', 180-200lbs, Black bomber jacket, jeans.

Suspect # 4. Driver - Male, light skinned.

NEWSWORTHY EVENTS & ARRESTS

On Saturday January 31, 2010, officers from Guns & Gangs task force executed a search warrant in an apartment on The West Mal.

Inside they found a quantity of cocaine (8.59g, 2.63g & 6.09g) and marihuana (4.64g). The accused and his brother were arrested at the scene, and were charged accordingly. They were held for a show cause hearing.

Arrested: - Ranglin Ricardo 1986.03.13. / Ranglin Sheldon 1988.08.20

Charged: - Possession for the Purpose Cocaine C.D.S.A. 5 (3) (a)

Possession for the Purpose Marihuana. (Under) C.D.S.A. 5 (4)

Fail to comply Recognizance C.C. 145 (3)

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NEWSWORTHY EVENTS & ARRESTS

On Wednesday, February 10th, 2010, members of the Major Crime Unit received information of a male in possession of Ammunition. As a result of their investigation the male was arrested, and a metal magazine containing 17 live rounds of ammunition for a 9mm caliber handgun was seized, including a quantity of cash, marihuana, and possession of controlled substance.

Arrested: - John Himraj. 1982.05.26

Charged: - Unauthorized possession of a prohibited device,
Possession for the purpose Marihuana
Possession of controlled substance
Possession of proceeds from designated substance offence.

Here is a list of upcoming activities for *March*. If you would like a Toronto Police Service representative from 22 Division to attend your community event, please contact Staff Sergeant Khan at 416-808-2219

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT

A Note regarding the contents of this document:

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This bulletin is a compilation of significant events that occurred in the division in the past month. It is not a complete list of offences or arrests, but rather a representation of the range of serious occurrences that took place during the period. By current count 219 people were arrested in 22 Division in February. The matters detailed here are allegations that have not yet been put before the courts.

The same is true of the calendar, since a good number of our events take place on short notice. If your organization has an event in conjunction with the police service that you would like included please contact us.

The bulletin will be issued monthly and be available at 22 Division's webpage on the Toronto Police Service site, www.torontopolice.on.ca/d22, at our front desk at both the main and sub-station.

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