



# St. Louis County Police Department INFORMATION DIGEST

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## THANK YOU

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the employees of the Department for their generous support and prayers during the recent unexpected loss of my daughter, Amy. The support received was not only of great comfort to Sandy, David and I but was also of great comfort to Amy and David's mother and to all of Amy's extended family. I take great pride in my association with this Department and the wonderful people who serve here.

Sincerely,  
**Ken Williams**

## WELL DONE

On Wednesday, April 23, 2008, at 12:30 AM, Officers **Mark West**, **John Williams** and **Derek Maguire**, North County Precinct, responded to a burglary that had just occurred. The victim stated that his back door was kicked in and his game station was taken along with 20 games and a home safe. As they were talking to a homeowner just seven homes from the burglary, they could hear a disturbance upstairs. As they went upstairs, they saw an open window and the stolen items. The homeowner advised that her 18 year old son was upstairs but must have climbed out the window. She called him on his cell phone and he returned and admitted to the burglary.

On Thursday, April 24, 2008, a call for a burglary in progress was dispatched in north St. Louis County. Officer **Robert Dean**, Police Canine Unit, responded and saw two subjects coming out of the house. As one subject ran into the backyard, the other got into a vehicle with a big screen television on its roof. Officer Dean followed the vehicle and pulled it over with the assistance of Officer **Seth Everett**, Community Action Team. Inside the vehicle were stolen items and credit cards from the burglary. The suspect stated that he did not know his accomplice's name and didn't realize they were burglarizing the home. He stated that he thought he was buying the items from the second suspect but couldn't articulate why he fled when police arrived.

On Friday, April 25, 2008, Officer **Joseph Percich**, North County Precinct, was on patrol when he heard two gunshots coming from a wooded area near an apartment complex. Officer Percich contacted Officer **Elizabeth Berardi** who had also heard the gunshots. The officers went to the area and found an isolated vehicle near where the shots originated. As they approached the car, they could see it had three subjects sitting within. As the driver rolled down the window, the officers smelled a strong odor of marijuana. All three subjects' records were checked and they all had active warrants. The suspects were taken into custody and the vehicle was searched. Marijuana and prescription drugs were found in the vehicle as well as a recently fired short-barreled pistol grip shotgun.

On Monday, May 5, 2008, Officers **William White III**, **John Bowman** and **Michelle Mininni**, Central County Precinct, responded to an armed robbery call outside a residence. The victim stated that an armed subject pointed a handgun at him and took his jewelry. The suspect then fled on foot and the victim noticed that the gunman had some unique tattoos. The officer began an area canvass and Officers Mininni and Bowman saw the suspect walking just a few blocks away. The suspect ran when he saw the police but was caught after a short foot pursuit. The suspect had active warrants for assault and armed criminal action. A search of where he ran from resulted in finding the weapon but not the stolen jewelry. The suspect admitted that he robbed the victim but said he took his marijuana, not his jewelry.

## AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to Police Officers **Neil Scognamiglio**, **Candace Crenshaw** and **Christopher Pignataro**, North County Precinct; Detectives **Jeffery Warner** and **Anthony Berardi**, Burglary Unit and Sergeant **Maria Gomez**, DCI, for recently receiving the Department's Award of Excellence for their outstanding performance of duty.



## DEPARTMENT FAMILY



Officer **Mark Beiner**, City of Wildwood Precinct, and his wife, Linette, had a baby girl, Marisa Gail, born Wednesday, February 20, 2008.

Officer **Greg Flinn**, West County Precinct, and his wife, Wendy, had a baby boy, Connor Reese, born Tuesday, May 6, 2008.

Officer **Ryan Guckes**, MetroLink Unit, and his wife, Sarah, had a baby boy, Nicholas William, born Sunday, May 18, 2008.

## WELCOME ABOARD

On Monday, May 12, 2008, **Ashawnti L. Hamilton** started as a police report clerk in the Bureau of Central Police Records.

On Monday, May 19, 2008, **Allison Williams** and **Christina L. Linder** started as police report clerks in the Bureau of Central Police Records.

## UNIFORM SUPPLY

Please remember when obtaining uniforms that a completed F210 form must be faxed or emailed to Uniform Supply and then returned to you prior to going to Leons. There have been a few issues resulting in ordering problems due to a lack of proper paper work. Leons will be turning away personnel who do not have a Uniform Request form that is completed with a supervisor's approval signature and a purchase order number issued from Uniform Supply. If you have any questions, call **Tim Devine** in Uniform Supply (615-3750) or refer to G.O. U2.

## CHIEF'S COMMITTEE

Congratulations to the recently elected members of the 2008 Chief's Committee.

<u>BUREAU/PRECINCT</u>	<u>REPRESENTATIVE</u>	<u>ALTERNATE</u>
North County Precinct	PO Matthew Steinmetz	PO August Mercurio
Central County Precinct	PO Jeff Milam	PO Brandt Wathen
Affton Southwest Precinct	PO Shawn McGuire	PO Aaron Schafer
South County Precinct	PO Ed Neff	PO Jason Neuman
City of Fenton Precinct	PO Scott Grobelny	PO Aaron Dilks
City of Wildwood Precinct	PO Al Richmond	PO Bernie Widdis
West County Precinct	PO Lou Major	PO Brad Hollenback
City of Black Jack	PO Candace Crenshaw	PO Chris Pignataro
Village of Marlborough	PO Dennis Cook	PO Haywood Henderson
City of Valley Park	PO Kevin Templeton	PO Greg Flinn
Division of Special Operations	PO Doug Wiese	PO Bill Matthews
Division of Criminal Investigation	PO Garry Miller	PO Keith Wildhaber
Bureau of Drug Enforcement	PO Diane Leonard	PO Andria VanMierlo
Bureau of Criminal Identification	Kelly Taylor	PO Richard Vencill
Office of Information & Technology	Ron Weidenhaft	Lisa Saffell
County & Municipal Police Academy	PO Loren Godsil	PO Colby Dolly
Bureau of Staff Services	David Jones	Heather Jewell
Bureau of Security Services	SO Al Baldwin	PO Mattie Williams-Johnson