

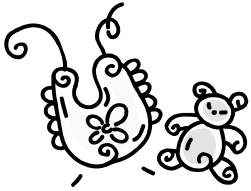


# St. Louis County Police Department INFORMATION DIGEST

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## DEPARTMENT FAMILY



Police Officer **Michael Jordan**, City of Fenton Precinct, and his wife, Lissa, adopted a baby boy, Austin Dwayne, on Saturday,

September 6, 2008.

## WELL DONE



On Saturday, September 20, 2008, Officers **Scott Gerard**, **Billy Curry** and **Danielle Durham**, North County Precinct, responded to a burglary that had just occurred at a residence. The

16 year old victim stated that he was taking a shower when he heard a window break. He said he immediately got dressed and called the police from the front yard. The officers found a rear window that led to the master bedroom broken inward but with three inches of jagged glass around the frame. It was obvious that no one entered through the window. Inside the bedroom, they observed an empty holster on a bed and the victim stated that his step-father's gun was missing. The owner of the gun stated that it was well hidden in the closet and that only his wife and her son knew its location. The 16 year old eventually admitted that he sold it to an acquaintance. The officers went to the other subject's home and retrieved the weapon. Both suspects were taken into custody.

On Tuesday, September 23, 2008, at approximately 12:05 AM, Officers **Christopher Ruder**, **John Struebing** and **Mark Vollmar**, Central County Precinct, responded to a burglary in progress in the City of Pasadena Hills. While en route the officers were advised that

the suspect was in the attached garage. When they arrived, the back door to the garage was open and no one could be found. The homeowner stated that the only thing missing was a blue mountain bike. The officers began searching the area and a 42 year old man was found nearby riding the bicycle. When stopped, the suspect stated that he just bought the bike from some guys in the nearby bowling alley. The officers went by the bowling alley and discovered that it was closed prior to the burglary. The suspect also had active warrants for stealing and trespassing.

On Tuesday, September 30, 2008 Officer **Charlie Rodriguez**, South County Precinct, was on duty as the school resource officer at Mehlville High School when an emergency call was broadcast that a student had collapsed in a classroom. Officer Rodriguez arrived moments after the school's registered nurse and together they began CPR on the unconscious 15 year old. Paramedics arrived and relieved them but continued CPR as they transported the student to the hospital. Doctors spent an hour trying to revive her but due to a pre-existing heart condition she unfortunately did not survive. The family was able to be at the hospital when their daughter passed away.

## WELCOME ABOARD



On Friday, September 26, 2008, **Brian E. Whalen**, **Aaron J. Welcome!** **Vinson**, **John P. Bradley**, **Antoine L. Anderson**, **Anjurr M. Henderson**, **Amanda M. Wilhelm** and **Michael P. Cavanaugh** started as police recruits at the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy.

## AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to Police Officers **Matthew Levy, Gary Robertson, Alim Poindexter, Richard Sand** and **Lawrence Fields**, North County Precinct and **Tyler Edgcombe** and **Scott Scarborough**, Police Canine Unit, for recently receiving the Department's Award of Excellence for their outstanding performance of duty.

### PROMOTIONAL PROCESS: SERGEANT

The written examination will be administered on Tuesday, October 28, 2008, at the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy, 1266 Sutter Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri, 63133. The test will be given at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM. The promotional examination will address areas of law, knowledge of general police procedures and supervisory skills. It is the responsibility of each officer to determine his/her eligibility to participate in the process, take the examination or to retain his/her eligibility. Officers must meet the experience requirements as indicated in the General Order entitled "Promotional Policy" on or before the date of the written examination. Also, only educational and training material submitted and received in the Personnel Services Unit or the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy prior to the written examination will be considered. Qualified officers interested in the promotional process should complete, sign and submit a Promotional Participation Request Form F-270 (Rev. 04/06, available on the Department intranet "forms" site) to the Director, Bureau of Staff Services by 4:30 PM, October 17, 2008.

### PROMOTIONAL PROCESS: LIEUTENANT

The written examination will be administered on Thursday, October 30, 2008, at the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy, 1266 Sutter Avenue, Wellston, Missouri. The test will be given at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM. The promotional examination will address the areas of law, knowledge of general police procedures and supervisory skills. The test may consist of a combination of multiple choice and true/false questions. Those taking the examination will have a maximum of two hours to complete the test.

## GUNS 'N HOSES



The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Guns 'N Hoses boxing match is Wednesday, November 26, 2008 (Thanksgiving Eve) at the Scottrade Center located at 1401 Clark Avenue. Tickets are \$30, \$25 and \$20.

Contact Lieutenant **Chuck Molla** at [cmolla@stlouisco.com](mailto:cmolla@stlouisco.com) or call 713-6031 to order tickets. Proceeds go to the St. Louis Backstoppers and so far the event has raised over \$2 million.

### FIRST THINGS FIRST

Our Department is once again participating in the Warner's Warm-up Coat Drive. Employees are encouraged to donate new or gently used winter coats that will be distributed to homeless shelters, outreach centers and schools throughout the metro area. The event will run from October 27 through November 9, 2008. Collection boxes will be at most precincts and Headquarters (Division of Patrol). Last year's effort was a huge success with over 10,000 coats collected.



### FROM THE CHAPLAINS

Excellence is never an accident.