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DEPARTMENT FAMILY

Detective **Robert Tubbe**, DCI, and his wife, Annie, had a baby boy, William Robert, on Tuesday, July 28, 2009.

Police Officer **Matthew McClanahan**, MetroLink Unit, and his wife, Alena, had a baby girl, Kiera, on Thursday, August 6, 2009.

WELL DONE

On Saturday, June 26, 2009, Officer **Amir Mustic**, Affton Southwest Precinct, responded to a larceny that just occurred. Officer **John Zensen**, Prisoner Conveyance Unit, was nearby and also responded. A pawn shop owner showed the officers a surveillance tape of a suspect stealing a ring. The officers began looking for the suspect and Officer Zensen saw him going into another pawn shop on Telegraph Road. As the officer entered the pawn shop, the suspect was trying to sell the stolen ring. The suspect still had the tag from the first pawn shop in his pocket.

On Sunday, June 28, 2009, Officer **Kristina Fosdick**, Affton Southwest Precinct, was on patrol when she saw a distraught young man leaning over the edge of a bridge. The man stated that he was contemplating suicide because of a broken heart. The subject then opened his shirt and showed the officer that he had carved a broken heart on his chest. CIT Officer **Steven Park** also responded. Officer Fosdick called for an ambulance and the officers were able to convince the subject that he needed medical attention and help.

On Thursday, July 9, 2009 at 2:30 AM, Officer **Dennis Cook**, Affton Southwest Precinct, was on patrol when he smelled a strong odor of smoke near the intersection of Valcour and Heege Roads. The strong smell of smoke led him to a fire in the office building of a chemical company. Responding firefighters contained the fire before it reached the nearby storage tanks. The cause of the fire is under investigation.



On Tuesday, July 21, 2009, Officers **William Biesiada** and **John Grosman**, Central County Precinct, were assisting another police agency with an arrest attempt at an apartment complex. While looking for the wanted suspect, the officers saw marijuana plants growing in planters on a nearby balcony. The apartment's door was open and there was a strong smell of burning marijuana. Other drug paraphernalia and marijuana leaves were observed in the apartment. No one answered when the officers originally announced their presence but the occupant of the apartment eventually came out of the bedroom and admitted to owning the marijuana plants.

On Thursday, July 23, 2009, at 11:00 PM, South County Precinct officers responded to a robbery at an ATM located at 4566 Lemay Ferry Road. One armed male suspect approached a woman withdrawing money from her account and demanded \$500. The suspect fled on foot with the cash and the victim's purse and was not found. Several nights later, Officer **Andrew Whelehon** was on patrol and saw an individual who matched the suspect's description. The officer obtained the subject's identification and passed the information onto Detectives **Robert Morley** and **Robert Hirtz**, DCI. A photo line-up revealed the subject was the robbery suspect and was taken into custody.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Recently, the North County Precinct Explorers, led by Explorer advisor Officer **Danielle Durham**, attended the St. Louis Area Law Enforcement Explorer Academy at Babler State Park. Explorers Kyle Bashaw received Top Overall Explorer, Deandre McBee received Top Obstacle Course Performance and Matthew Lipham received Top Physical Fitness Performance.

COMMENDATIONS

Commendations were presented by Chief Fitch at the August 5, 2009 Police Board meeting to Sergeant **Dan O'Neil**, Detectives **Robert Bayes**, **Timothy Burke**, **Mike Bradley** and **Pete Stollhans**, DCI; Sergeants **Dana Fulton**, **Mark Dougherty**, Bureau of Computer Services; Public Safety Dispatcher III **Janet Rice**, Bureau of Communications; Officers **Adam Lane**, **Gary Robertson** and **Bret Lively**, North County Precinct as well as the Bureau of Communications and CARE Unit.

AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Recently, Police Officers **Eva Becker** and **Matthew Levy**, North County Precinct; **Donald Jacquin**, **Joseph Patterson** and **Matthew Taylor**, Affton Southwest Precinct and **Brian McCauley**, Police Canine Unit, each received an Award of Excellence for their outstanding performance of duty.

WELCOME ABOARD



On Monday, August 10, 2009, **James M. Patterson** started as a probationary police officer in the South County Precinct; **Paul A.**

Elias started as a probationary police officer in the West County Precinct and **Allen C. Whitney** started as a security officer in the Bureau of Security Services.

On Monday, August 17, 2009, **Breshawn S. Jeffery** started as a public safety dispatcher in the Bureau of Communications.

COMPUTER REMINDER

Please report all computer related problems to the REJIS Helpdesk (535-9497). This includes all hardware and software issues, including the car laptops. The Helpdesk will create an issue for tracking and send it to Computer Services for follow up. Please DO NOT call/email the techs directly as this becomes unmanageable and your issue may be lost. If you wish to email your issue to the Helpdesk, select "Helpdesk, REJIS" in the Global address book. The Helpdesk will create an issue the next business day.



GOLF TOURNAMENTS



The Third Annual AFS Charity Golf Tournament to benefit the St. Louis Metro Airborne Law Enforcement Foundation will be held on Saturday, August 29, 2009. The 18 hole four person scramble will start at 11:00 AM at the Falls at Turtle Creek located in O'Fallon, Missouri. The cost is \$85 per person or \$340 per team and includes golf, prizes, beverages, lunch and dinner. Contact Bob Bass before August 14th at 636-300-5214 to register.

The First Annual St. Louis County Police Masters Golf Tournament is tentatively scheduled for September 23, 2009 at the Normandy Golf Course. More information and registration forms will be sent out soon.

The St. Louis County Employees Golf Tournament is September 14, 2009 at Sunset Lakes Golf Course. Contact Jamie Carver, Parks Department, at 615-7273 or go to <http://www.stlouisco.com/parks/golf/2009SunsetLakesGolf.pdf>.

The 4th Annual Jeremy Chambers Memorial Golf Tournament will be on Saturday, September 26, 2009, at the Clinton Hills Golf Course. For further information, please contact Cahokia Police Department at 618-410-8596.

TRIVIA NIGHT

Backstoppers Trivia Night in memory of fallen Officer Grant Jansen, St. Charles Police Department, will be held on Friday, September 25, 2009, at the Memorial Hall in Blanchette Park. Doors open at 6:30 PM. To reserve a table contact Jana Conoyer at 314-750-4579.