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A Message from Chief Knight

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Gun Show Loop Hole



Background Checks

** Chief Knight was requested to appear before the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee, to offer testimony, on the behalf of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) ** (14 July 2010)

Excerpts... and explanatory additions:

The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) strongly supports H.R. 2324, and indeed, feels that it is desperately needed.

There are approximately 5,200 plus "gun shows" held annually in the United States, with vendors who are Federal Firearms Licensees (FFLs) and non-licensed firearm sellers. In these gun show venues one who would fail a background check can bypass an FFL, and purchase any assortment of guns from a non-licensed seller. These sales are "cash and carry", and often no form of identification is asked for. This secondary market is ripe for purchases by legally prohibited persons (felons, gang members, the adjudicated mentally ill and those guilty of domestic violence), straw purchasers, and gun traffickers. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATFE) identified gun shows as the second leading source of guns trafficked into the illegal market.

We know background checks work. Since the inception of the Brady Bill (1993) over 1.5 million legally prohibited persons have been prevented from making a gun purchase from an FFL. And, poll after poll reveals that background checks are seen as necessary by the majority of gun owners and non-gun owners alike – no surprise.

The IACP calls on Congress to swiftly pass H.R. 2324.

(Chief Knight's travel and lodging expenses were paid for by the IACP.)



Around the Clock -Sgt. Ben Anderson

Chaska Officers issued 56 citations and 37 warnings during this reporting period. There were 275 calls for service

Officers responded to a domestic assault report at a residence on Siefert Street. During an argument, a man pushed and threw his wife in their garage, causing her to suffer numerous injuries. He ran from the residence prior to police arrival. The man faces domestic assault and 5th degree assault charges.

Disturbances:

An officer stopped a vehicle for a stop sign violation on Innsbruck Drive. Three passengers had consumed alcohol and were under the age of 21. They were cited for underage consumption.

Potato waste byproduct spilled from a trailer on Hwy 41 at Third Street. MNDOT employees initially cleaned the spill. Chaska Fire Department members later cleaned the area with soap and pressurized hoses, as the area was still slippery and dangerous for drivers. The MN State Patrol is investigating the incident.



A male driving in a suspicious manner was stopped by police on Crest Drive. His license was revoked and he was cited. Five occupants inside the vehicle were cited for minor consumption. They had consumed alcohol at a male friend's home. This male was also a passenger and he was charged with violating the city's social host ordinance.

Notable:



A Mature Response...

A man was upset at his female neighbor, due to her cat repeatedly defecating in his yard. The cat chose a sandy area under some bushes on the side of this house as its sandbox. He spoke to the woman about the issue several times. She attempted to dissuade her cat from going to that area by cutting some of the man's thorn bushes and stacking them in the cat's bathroom area. The man did not give her permission to cut his bushes, which made him even more upset. The woman later came over to his house to apologize. He observed she was intoxicated, so he avoided her and would not speak to her. His shun upset the woman, so she later threw an egg on the windshield of his parked car. Not the most mature decision by a fifty-year old person. The man happened to be looking out of a window in his home when she threw the egg and called the police. Officers responded and spoke to the woman, who admitted her anger got the best of her and she acted "childish". You think?

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CSI-Chaska
- Captain Jon Kehrberg



Detective McClure Arrests Tool Thief

On July 15th, an auto repairman at a local business reported the theft of numerous tools valued at over \$ 1300.00 and was able to identify another employee as a potential suspect. Detective Lee McClure quickly located the tools and arrested the suspect. The victim received all of his tools back and a 27year-old man from Prior Lake faces a felony theft charge.

Ask For Identification

Two metro-area police agencies recently reported that a man posing as a police officer scammed two elderly women out of large amounts of cash. This is an old scam that involves a person posing as a police officer, often with a fake badge, asking the victim for help in a fraud or counterfeiting case. The victim is asked to withdraw cash from their personal bank account and turn it over to the “officer” with the promise that it will help the investigation and be returned.



Real police officers do not ask private citizens for money to help with investigations.

- Ask plain clothes officers for identification. Detectives carry their badges and police identification with them. It is surprising how many times people will let plain clothes officers into their homes without asking to see any identification.
- If in doubt, make a call and check on the person. Keep in mind that badges can be stolen or ordered online and counterfeit identification can be made by anyone with a computer. Real officers will have no problem providing a publicly verifiable contact number for their agency. You can also get their agency telephone number in any phone book. And, you can always call “9-1-1” and a CPD officer will be happy to come to your home and verify the persons identity.

Need Help?

Assistance for Domestic Assault Victims
952.873.4214

Assistance for Sexual Assault Victims
952.448.5425

Statewide Referral Service (24hr)
1.800.247.0390

24 hour Emergency

First Call for Help
612.335.5000

Crisis Connection
612.379.6363

Crisis Intervention Center
612.347.3161

Suicide Prevention
612.347.2222

Chaska Human Rights Commission
HOTLINE:
952.448.9200 EXT- 7103

Telephone Numbers

Emergency: 911
Police Service: 952.361.1231
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Confidential Tip Line
952.227.2479

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