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A Message from Chief Knight

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Captain Jon Kehrberg



On May 16, 2010, Chief of Police Scott Knight promoted Investigations Commander – Sergeant Jon Kehrberg to the rank of Captain, and he thereby holds the official designation of Second-In-Command of the Chaska Police Department.

Captain Kehrberg began his career with the Chaska Police Department in 1988, as a Community Service Officer. During his tenure, Kehrberg has held the positions of patrol officer, patrol sergeant, field training officer (FTO), D.A.R.E officer, detective, and Investigations Commander.

Captain Kehrberg holds a degree in Human Resources from Concordia University – St. Paul. He will continue as our Investigations Commander. In that role Kehrberg is responsible for directing and supervising all major investigations as well as the day-to-day functions of the investigations unit. In addition, he is responsible for the oversight of our School Resource Officers, school safety strategies, the CPD Gang Unit, and our illegal drug detection/interdiction efforts.

Kehrberg is responsible for CPD Information Technology (IT) needs, and evolutions. In this capacity he interfaces directly with the city's IT staff, and vendors. He researches hardware and software serviceability functions including timely and forward looking procurements. He is responsible for the pursuit of grant funding, and advising the Chief of Police of IT budgeting needs and development.

A vital function and responsibility of Kehrberg's has been – and will remain – the maintenance of CPD Professional Standards. In that capacity he is responsible for the investigation of citizen complaints and concerns with regard to police officer conduct. It is imperative that citizens know any concern is thoroughly reviewed, and it is equally important that our police officers have trust and confidence in our internal process. Captain Kehrberg's ability and steadfast professionalism is so widely recognized that often other police agencies request his services, when they require an independent investigation.

Kehrberg will continue to conduct our pre-employment background investigations on all staff persons we are intending to hire. During a recent routine audit of the police department, by the Minnesota Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) Board, the auditor made a special note that Kehrberg's work was among the best in quality and thoroughness in the entire state.

"I am very proud to promote Jon Kehrberg to the rank of Captain of the Chaska Police Department. He is of unquestionable character, and a consummate professional. While this is indeed a significant career highlight for Jon, the police department and our community are the true beneficiaries of his promotion", said Chief Knight.



Around the Clock -Sgt. Ben Anderson

Chaska Officers issued 77 citations and 41 warnings during this reporting period. There were 285 calls for service

DWI:

Officer George stopped a vehicle for failing to signal a turn on Hwy 41. The female driver was intoxicated and failed field sobriety evaluations. She was arrested and charged with DWI.

Disturbances:

During an argument at their residence, a man pushed his wife and knocked her to the ground. Police responded to the home and arrested the man for domestic assault.

During morning rush hour on May 13, a three-car crash occurred at the intersection of Hwy 41 and County Road 61. One vehicle involved in the crash rolled over. There were no serious injuries reported. Two drivers were transported to a hospital for minor injuries.



A female called the police to report an intoxicated relative. The relative was sober. The female caller was severely intoxicated and was placed in a detox facility.

Emergency personnel responded to a dumpster fire on Crystal Lane. The Chaska Fire Department extinguished the flames. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Notables:

Divine Incarceration...

A woman called 9-1-1 and reported she had been in an argument with her ex-husband, who was extremely intoxicated and had left the area on foot. She was concerned for his welfare, due to his high intoxication level. A short time later, officers located the ex-husband in an area near a church parking lot. He refused officer's commands and struggled with officers as they attempted to take him into custody. He repeatedly yelled he could not be arrested, because he was on "hallowed ground" and in "sanctuary" where no arrests can occur. He continued to yell, referencing how it is immoral and illegal to arrest someone on sacred ground.



Officers disagreed with the man's religious beliefs and placed him under arrest. He was placed in a detox facility and cited for obstructing the legal process without force.



Caught Red Haired...

Officers received a shoplifting complaint from a grocery store. Employees reported a male had stolen red hair dye from the store. They were unable to stop him before he left the building. Officers recognized the physical description of the man from past police-related contacts and knew he would probably be at the home of an acquaintance, which is a brief distance from the store. A short time later, officers were let into his residence by the female acquaintance, and located the Clairol criminal in a bathroom. Officers were convinced he was indeed the offender, as he had already dyed his hair red. The water in a nearby tub was colored red. Obviously, the male could not deny his offense and admitted to the crime. He was charged with theft.

An Odd Relationship...

Recently, a man and woman (who did not know one another) exchanged messages through a Myspace site. They conversed further and decided to meet each other in person. They met and continued to talk over several weeks. During this time, the man told her about his difficult childhood due to his parents. They had left him a large inheritance, but he could not stand the money because it was from them. The conversations then took a sharp turn, when the man told her he needed "re-enactment therapy" in order to move on with his life. He asked the woman if she would be willing to kidnap him, tie him up and assault him while asking for a ransom.



He would give her a large sum of money to do so. She unwisely agreed and they further agreed he would be "kidnapped" at a hotel. The woman rented a hotel room with her own money for a week. During the week, the man repeatedly skipped their planned rendezvous, always at the last minute with an excuse for his absence (perhaps he feared he may be kidnapped?). Frustrated, the woman finally told him she would no longer participate because she was wasting her own time and money. He became upset and threatened to have her arrested for conspiracy to commit kidnapping and terroristic threats. Concerned, she called the police to report him. However, no crimes had been committed. She was advised to discontinue conversing with the man.

Bike Registration a Huge Success!

The police department partnered with Tommy's Malt Shop for a bike registration on May 18th. Each child, 12 and under, registering a bike received a FREE child's malt from Tommy's. A DJ was provided by Kidsdance. There were contests such as hula-hoops and dancing, all winning cool prizes.

The department registered 102 bikes, obtaining the serial number and putting an Operation Identification sticker on the bike. If the bike is lost or stolen and is found, the Chaska Police Department can locate the owner and quickly return the bike.

The police department is selling bike helmets, that retail for \$22.95, for only \$10.00. Fifteen helmets were sold at the bike registration. Contact Officer Janke at 952-448-4200, if you are interested in getting your bike registered or purchasing a helmet.



Summer Safety Camp

The Chaska Police Department will be holding a two-day Safety Camp on **July 21 st and July 22nd**. Participants will learn about fire, bike, water, personal and vehicle safety as well as first aid. In addition, there will be a special appearance by the MN Department of Military Affairs helicopter and the pilots will talk about the dangers of drugs. There will also be a K-9 demonstration showing the skills of our friends and protectors, the K-9 officers. At the end of the camp, participants will be presented with a certificate of participation and a group picture to remember all the excitement of the Chaska Safety Camp!

A rectangular button with a green background and a dark green border. The text "Register Now!" is written in a bold, yellow, sans-serif font with a slight shadow effect.

Checks should be made payable to Chaska Police Department for \$25.00, which includes both days, lunch, snacks and a t-shirt. The application is available on the police department website at www.chaskamn.com

Scam Alert



A resident of Chaska was contacted today by the Federal Trade Commission and told that she had won \$350,000 from Random House if she paid a 1% tax. A check was promised by 4 PM today. This is a SCAM! The Federal Trade Commission issued an alert regarding this scam along with a letter from Random House advising that someone was using the "Random House" name in a scam. Please contact the Chaska Police Department if you have received a similar call.

Did You Know?

During Star Wars The Empire Strikes Back's famous asteroid scene, one of the deadly, hurling asteroids is actually a potato

Kangaroos can't pass gas. They convert the small quantity of methane they produce into an energy source which their body reuses.



A gruesome form of self-defense, the hairy frog or "horror frog" intentionally breaks its own bones to turn out a wicked set of cat-like claws that break through its skin.

In 1990 there were about 15,000 vacuum cleaner related accidents in the US



Telephone Numbers

Emergency: 911
Police Service: 952.361.1231
Administration: 952.448.4200

Confidential Tip Line
952.227.2479

District 112 Student Tip Line
952.227.7448

Chaska Student Text Tip Line/Email
HawkTip@chaskamn.com

Website

www.chaskamn.com/cityhall/ns_policehome.cfm
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