

police department

quarterly report



April 13, 2006

To: Doug Baker, City Administrator
From: Mike Vandiver, Chief of Police
RE: First Quarter Report - 2006

1. Criminal Activity

Tumwater, along with other jurisdictions in Thurston County, has continued to experience a high number of auto thefts during this quarter. Vehicles stolen include a Mercedes Benz SL600, various Nissan trucks and Pathfinders, and several Hondas. Investigations placed a "bait car" in the parking lot of the Montaire Apartments as a result of several thefts from that area. Two suspects were arrested after entering the vehicle and damaging the steering column in an attempt to steal the vehicle. Those suspects could not be tied to the other thefts, however the number of cars stolen declined drastically while they were incarcerated.

Two vehicles were burned while parked in the parking lot of an apartment complex on 6th Avenue. These fires appeared to be part of a series of arsons in that particular area. Items burned include vehicles, trash receptacles, an apartment laundry room, a vacant house, building materials, and an apartment building under construction. Usable evidence has not been recovered from any of the fires and repeated use of the media and Crimestoppers has not resulted in suspects being identified.

Numerous residences in Tumwater had White Supremacist flyers distributed on their lawns in February. Investigation determined that the items were distributed by a group known as the NSM (National Socialist Movement). It was determined that the flyer distribution was not a criminal offense and appears to be part of a build-up towards a large White Supremacist rally planned for Olympia in July.

A report was received and investigated of a vehicle being shot with a handgun from a second vehicle while traveling on I-5 near Tumwater Blvd. The victim advised that a vehicle followed him from the area of Jack-n-the-Box and pulled up alongside him while he was on the freeway. An occupant of the vehicle allegedly leaned out the window and fired two rounds from a handgun into the windshield of the victim's vehicle, causing him to crash. Investigation into the incident raised questions about his account and the matter is still under investigation.

An investigation into a large identity theft operation was initiated and is ongoing. The suspects in this case acquire their victim's personal information and then make fake Oregon identification cards which are used up and down the I-5 corridor to open accounts at retail stores where large amounts of merchandise are purchased prior to the fraud being discovered. Some suspects have been identified, however the investigation continues.

Several referrals were received from CPS regarding both physical and sexual abuse of children. Those cases were investigated by detectives. One case resulted in a mother voluntarily giving up custody of her children after admitting to physical abuse.

A large-scale fraud/theft case is currently being investigated involving Ebay auctions. The suspect in this case collected money from numerous buyers for gold and silver coins. The victim's checks were cashed, however the merchandise was never delivered. This matter remains under investigation.

2. Personnel

Anniversaries:

<i>Don Stevens</i>	<i>18 years</i>
<i>Debbie Zimmerman</i>	<i>18 years</i>
<i>Glen Stahle</i>	<i>17 years</i>
<i>Patti Mize</i>	<i>16 years</i>
<i>Rosco Rollman</i>	<i>8 years</i>
<i>Carlos Quiles</i>	<i>4 years</i>

3. Training

	<i>Hours</i>
<i>CBSS Training (Wiretap Usage)</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Crime Scene Investigations - Basic</i>	<i>40</i>
<i>Criminal Investigations</i>	<i>40</i>
<i>Defensive Tactics</i>	<i>200</i>
<i>Dive Team</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Field Training</i>	<i>407.5</i>
<i>First Aid/CPR/BBP/AED</i>	<i>80</i>
<i>Less Lethal/Chemical Munitions</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>NIMS IS-100</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>NIMS IS-700</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>NIMS IS-800</i>	<i>2.5</i>
<i>Northwest Leadership Seminar</i>	<i>60</i>
<i>NICB-Auto Theft Investigations</i>	<i>32</i>
<i>Pharmaceutical Drug Investigations</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Radar/Lidar Instructor</i>	<i>80</i>
<i>Range</i>	<i>84</i>
<i>Report Writing</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>Singleton International MP5 Instructor</i>	<i>96</i>
<i>Survival Skills for Public Safety</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>SWAT</i>	<i>64</i>
<i>SWAT Basic</i>	<i>65</i>
<i>Tactical Team</i>	<i>112</i>
<i>Tactical Vehicle Take Downs</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Technology Summit</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>True Lies-Detecting Deception</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>WCIA-Conducting Internal Investigations</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>WMD-First Responders Course</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>Women's Conference-Career Track</i>	<i>16</i>
TOTAL	1,521

4. Quantifiable Activities

<u>Activity</u>	<u>2006 ytd</u>	<u>2005 ytd</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Calls for Service	6,180	5,878	5%
Reports	778	810	-4%
Arrests			
Adult	45**	238	n/a
Juvenile	3**	25	n/a
UCR Crimes			
Cases Cleared	8**	36	n/a
Actual Offenses	21**	166	n/a
Investigations			
New Cases	39	39	--
Active Cases	45	33	-36%
Citations Issued	1,697	1,192	42%

* Does not include those cases closed by originating officer as having leads exhausted.

** Data entry is not current (numbers are 01/01/2006 – 01/12/2006)

	<u>2006 ytd</u>	<u>2005 ytd</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Overtime	780.5	786	-0.7%
Annual Leave	274	387	-29.2%
Sick Leave	531.5	604	-12%

5. Budget

At the end of the first quarter, the Police Department budget was 17.6% spent.

6. Citation/Infraction Activity

	<u>Criminal Non-Traffic</u>	<u>Criminal Traffic</u>	<u>DUI</u>	<u>Infraction Non-Traffic</u>	<u>Infraction Traffic</u>	<u>Parking</u>
1 st Quarter	118	165	21	24	1,390	23
2 nd Quarter	--	--	--	--	--	--
3 rd Quarter	--	--	--	--	--	--
4 th Quarter	--	--	--	--	--	--
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7. Commendations

Commendations were received by Officer. Weiks and Detective Kolb from O' Bee Credit Union for the security training they put on.

Christina Keonitzer and Patti Mize were recognized by the Puget Sound Blood Center for their efforts in organizing the blood drive in honor of Chief Mike Vandiver.

Officer Stahle received a card from a thankful citizen.

The Chief Deputy of Corrections wrote to thank Detective Elliott for his assistance in providing the critical incident debriefing for the Sheriff's Office regarding the hostage situation in the hail.

Officer Eikum was thanked for his professionalism by the housing manager at an assisted living facility.

A thankful mother sent a card for Det. Kolb, thanking her for her help.

One of our citizen ride-along wrote to thank Ofc. Clark for sharing a patrol shift with him.

A family "in crisis" sent a card thanking Lt. Mize and Ofc. Hedin-Baughn for helping them sort through some of their issues.

Lieutenant Brenna and Officer Hedin-Baughn both received a letter of commendation from the Thurston County Prosecutor's Office for helping put away a robbery suspect.

A letter of appreciation for the entire TPD staff from Sheriff Gary Edwards for our support and assistance in the untimely death of a deputy.

Officer Rollman received a thank you note from the victims of a auto theft, he found their car for them.