

## AIM Meeting Wednesday, March 3, 2010

Attendance: Major Johnson, Major Stephens, Captain Winkey, Captain Scalise, Lt. McGovern, Lt. Walker, Lt. Cummings, Lt. Mullennix, Sgt. Walter, PIO DeRuwe, Ryan Shaw, Larry Stevens, Tom Michaud, Carly Cortright, and Tyler Doucet.

Absent: Chief Kirkpatrick, A/C Nicks, Captain Braun, Lt. Richards, Lt. Drollinger, Lt. Olson, Lt. Arleth, David Lund, and Karl Thompson.

### Assessment from Prior Week

Lt. Mullennix provided an update on motor vehicle theft.

- Motor vehicle theft still remains high throughout the city of Spokane. This week, there were 46 incidents of motor vehicle theft (weekly historical average is 36).
  - Patrol, however, has developed probable cause for several vehicle theft suspects and is hopeful that these individuals will be arrested shortly.
  - Many stolen vehicles are being recovered in the West Central area.
  - [REDACTED] recently released from custody, is now suspected of attempting to steal vehicles in Spokane Valley.

Lt. McGovern provided an update on several ongoing SPD investigations.

- A suspect has been identified from a photo lineup in regards to the recent [REDACTED] robbery.
- A suspect has been identified in relation to the surveillance camera thefts from [REDACTED].
- Investigators are working on a home invasion that occurred on March 2<sup>nd</sup> at [REDACTED] E. 4<sup>th</sup>. Several of these home invasions in the past have been drug-related.
- There have been a couple of recent coffee stand robberies throughout the city.
  - [REDACTED] who was arrested about a month ago, had been responsible for several of these types of robberies. After his arrest, these robberies stopped occurring until just recently.

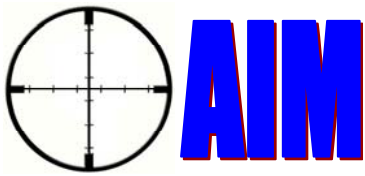
Captain Scalise provided an update on the NE Spokane Crime Focus

- The NE Spokane Crime Focus Plan was to be implemented by PACT.
- Now that PACT is currently dismantled, the plan will need to be reevaluated in accordance to the Patrol resources SPD currently has available.

### Crime Trend Debrief

Ryan Shaw provided an update on this past week's crime trends.

- Commercial burglaries increased over the past week (14 incidents compared to a historical average of 8.44).



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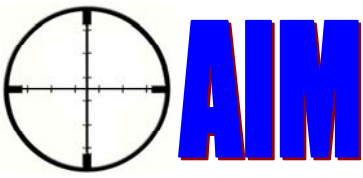
- A few espresso stands, primarily located on the North side and near Division, have been robbed.
- Surveillance footage during one of these espresso stand robberies captured one of the suspects on video, and pictures of the suspect will be sent out to media outlets shortly.
- It appears that a few of the commercial burglaries are related to the same suspect, who drives a [REDACTED].
- Residential burglaries have also spiked over the past week (41 incidents compared to a historical average of 32).
- There were two purse robberies over the past week—one occurring at Northpointe and the other in the Shadle area. The robberies appear to be unrelated.

### Weekly SPD Wrap-Up

#### NRO Round-Up:

##### Ofc. Draper

- [REDACTED] E. 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Neighbors have been complaining of this party house in recent weeks.
  - Patrol has responded to the residence several times since early December.
  - Ofc. Draper contacted the landlord and an eviction will be started from drugs Patrol discovered back in December. The proper paperwork for the eviction has been sent to the landlord.
- [REDACTED]
  - [REDACTED] was going door to door asking for employment to trim trees in the area of Division and 39th. At that time the caller thought it was a scam and called the police.
  - This week, Ofc. Draper received a complaint that an elderly female, in the [REDACTED] of E 19<sup>th</sup>, was charged \$225 for a branch to be trimmed by a male who stated his name was [REDACTED].
  - Ofc. Draper will look into the matter further and determine whether a criminal investigation can be started.
- [REDACTED] W. 10<sup>th</sup> [REDACTED] – Party / Drug activity
  - Two neighbors called this week after patrol officers were out over the past several weeks.
  - [REDACTED] seems to be the biggest problem per the neighbors.
  - There have been 8 calls for service (all at night) in the past 60 days between the apartments, but only one call qualifies for Nuisance.
  - The nuisances will continue to be monitored.



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### Ofc. McIntyre

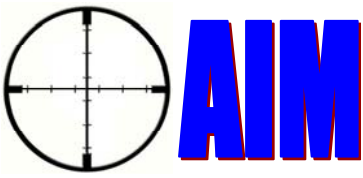
- Rogers High School
  - Ofc. McIntyre attended a meeting with Dist. 81 and Rogers High School Vice Principle regarding the students Smoking/Pedestrian Interference before and after school.
  - Several of the youth are no longer students at the school, but insist on hanging out on school property.
  - [REDACTED] measures will be initiated in hopes of educating students and their parents on their activity and second offense to cite them.
- County Detectives executed a search warrant at [REDACTED] E. Nebraska and arrested several people and located a significant amount of stolen property.
- [REDACTED] E. Wellesley has been a party house for young people recently. The owner, [REDACTED] has been contacted and agreed to give the tenants a 20 day eviction notice.
- [REDACTED] E. Lincoln [REDACTED] belongs to the asst. manager, [REDACTED] at this complex. Ofc. McIntyre met with him because patrol has had to respond 3 times in less than one month. He has had his ex girlfriend arrested and now has a restraining order against her.
- [REDACTED] E. Cozza is owned/occupied by [REDACTED] and her boyfriend, [REDACTED]. We have had 6 calls here in 2 months. [REDACTED] is the petitioner on 2 orders. She has been given 10 days to clean up her yard before Code Enforcement gets involved.
- [REDACTED] E. Sierra Ct. is yet another party house. Ofc. McIntyre contacted the owner, [REDACTED], and he will be evicting the tenants shortly.
- [REDACTED] E. Wedgewood [REDACTED] [REDACTED] has been evicted.

### Ofc. Thomas

- [REDACTED] E. Diamond
  - Neighbors have been experiencing retaliation for SIU S/W.

### Officers Downing and Redmon

- Ofc. Redmon has been working Riverfront Park attempting to identify the suspect in the rape of a 14 year-old jogger.
- Have been conducting biking patrols along the park and Centennial Trail.
- This past week, Officers Downing and Redmon have been dealing with [REDACTED]. Ofc. Downing arrested him last week when he became confrontational with him on a fight call. [REDACTED] can be difficult to deal with because he can become very violent suddenly.
- Also looking for [REDACTED] who is DOC active out of Port Angeles. His PO is looking for him and has a warrant in the system on him. He has been known to make suicidal threats. Ofc. Redmon contacted him last week which led to the warrant. At that time, he was taken to Spokane Mental Health, but is now on the streets in the downtown area.
- Gang activity near STA and the S/W corner of Wall/Sprague. The activity is centered on [REDACTED] who has been restricted from coming within a block of STA. Based on



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STA reports and our repeated phone calls to his PO [REDACTED] he was arrested on a detainer last week.

- Ofc. Redmon contacted a possible suspect in the Riverfront Park attempted attack on a HS student. He was picked out of a line up and Det. Cestnik needs to interview him. The suspect is [REDACTED] who is homeless and frequents STA and HOC. He was seen at both places his past weekend but Det. Cestnik was out of town so he couldn't interview him.
- There have been complaints about bikes and skateboarders on the sidewalks from downtown, and businesses want them to be cited. Officers Redmon and Downing have taken the opportunity to contact violators to explain the downtown sidewalk ordinances. In the downtown core, skate boards and bikes aren't allowed on the sidewalks.
- Downtown Partnership advised they have seen an increase in vehicle prowlers. Check of the lots in and around Spokane Club during the day and Davenport towers at night is requested.

### Ofc. Taylor

- [REDACTED] N. Monroe has received noise complaints due to a live band.
- [REDACTED] N. Cedar is a suspected drug house that will be closely monitored.
- [REDACTED] N. Alameda: [REDACTED] has been recently evicted.

### Ofc. Strassenberg

- Conducted a career fair at Shadle that was quite successful.

### Around the Room:

#### PIO DeRuwe

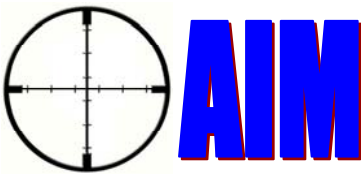
- SPD will be releasing a vehicle prowling video to be aired on Channel 5 to help car owners better protect their vehicles (**see attached for video**).
- Officer Bartlett noticed a stolen vehicle on his way home from work. Officer Bartlett notified police dispatch and continued to follow the vehicle to the Shadle area, where the driver was later arrested (See "Other Notable SPD Efforts..." for more details).

#### Carly Cortright

- Mayor Verner has requested for our weekly AIM reports to be further distributed to additional members of the Spokane community. SPD will reach out to several community organizations, including faith-based groups, to extend our readership and keep citizens informed on how their police department is working to keep the streets of Spokane safe.

#### Lt. Walker

- Gang members have been congregating near the [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] have been recently arrested.



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### Weekly Police Team Efforts:

#### TEAM 10

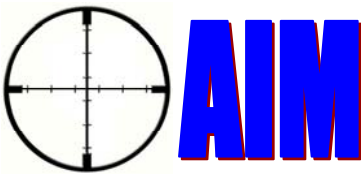
- [REDACTED] E. Wellesley continues to be a party house problem. The renter/tenant refuses to talk to officers when they respond to this house.
- [REDACTED] N. Division: numerous bar fights have occurred on the weekends, known gang members have also been hanging around there.
- There was a robbery at Safeway on Newport Hwy. Physically disabled female victim had purse stolen from her by a Hispanic male who had two other males with him.
- [REDACTED] N. Ash [REDACTED] has reportedly been selling marijuana.
- [REDACTED] W Nora: tenant [REDACTED] is reportedly selling drugs out of this location.
- There has been several incidents of malicious mischief in the area of Monroe and Indiana
- Two stolen vehicles were recovered from [REDACTED] W. Rowan.
- [REDACTED] were arrested for DOC violations.
- [REDACTED] was arrested at [REDACTED] E. Olympic [REDACTED] for burglary.

#### TEAM 11

- Officers have continued to monitor the transient camps downtown with no problems.
- Several officers assisted with the Bank Robbery at the Safeway at Mission and Hamilton and the search for the suspect.
- Corporal Vigesaa initiated a pursuit of a stolen vehicle. Team 11 members successfully spiked the vehicle and assisted in taking the two occupants into custody.
- Officers worked two traffic complaints on 17<sup>th</sup>/Cook area and on Qualchan.
- Officers spent a significant amount of time looking for a stolen vehicle belonging to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

#### TEAM 13

- [REDACTED] E 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - A total of three stolen vehicles were recovered from this parking lot
- [REDACTED] E. Mallon
  - There have been squatters in and out of the house, causing disturbances within both the house and the neighborhood.
- [REDACTED] E. 37<sup>th</sup> [REDACTED] is a suspected drug house.
- [REDACTED] E. 30<sup>th</sup> [REDACTED] has received several noise/nuisance complaints over recent weeks.
- Fights and assaults have frequented the residence of [REDACTED] S. Fiske
- There have been several complaints of nuisances and bar fights surrounding [REDACTED]-[REDACTED] W. Sprague.
- The [REDACTED]
  - Drug dealing has occurred out of several rooms.
  - [REDACTED] has been acting as a “lookout”



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### TEAM 15

- For most of the week, the bars were not busy. Friday night brought a few more people downtown, but night officers only responded to a couple fights around closing time.
- East officers are continuing to monitor the area of [REDACTED] N Smith and the surrounding industrial areas for prostitution activity.
- Officers have also increased patrols in the Sprague/Havana area due to an increase in stolen vehicle activity in the area.
- One stolen vehicle was recovered in the K-mart lot during the week.
- Officers have also focused on pedestrian stops in the Garry Park neighborhood in an effort to reduce vehicle prowling and vehicle thefts.
- A new T-4 house at [REDACTED] E. 8<sup>th</sup> [REDACTED] was discovered during a party call on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

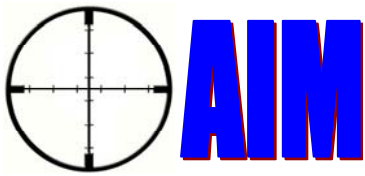
### TEAM 16

- Team 16 worked [REDACTED] E Decateur looking for [REDACTED] on all three occasions that Officers Boothe and McMurtrey went there they did not see him in the residence and they were greeted with hostility. [REDACTED] is a career criminal with felony wants.
- Officer Ames and Yinger worked [REDACTED] E North for SIU. There has been no drug related traffic on graveyard that Det. Langford has had during graveyard.
- Ofc. Boothe has been working a personal project at [REDACTED] E. Joseph. This house has been linked to several residential burglaries and is next door to a SCSO jail corrections officer who has been victim to them three times.

### OTHER NOTABLE SPD EFFORTS WEEKS FEB 22 – MAR 3:

#### February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010: **Bank Robber Caught**

- Last week, Spokane Police patrol officers responded to the Safeway at 933 E. Mission. Officers had received a report of a robbery from inside the Banner Bank.
- The suspect had approached a teller, presented a note, indicated he had a gun and demanded money.
- Major Crimes Detective Ferguson was assigned the case the following morning and immediately began receiving tips. She was able to develop probable cause to arrest [REDACTED] for 1st degree Robbery and Attempted 1st degree Robbery.
- Later on, patrol officers responded to a suspicious persons call at [REDACTED] N. Market.
- Employees of the Banner Bank inside the North Market Safeway were aware of Monday's robbery suspect description. They observed the male pacing back and forth in front of the store, and he matched the robbery suspect description.
- Ofc. Aspaas arrived and contacted [REDACTED] outside the Banner Bank. He arrested [REDACTED] for Monday's robbery.



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### March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010: **Off Duty Officer Locates Stolen Vehicle – Ninth in one Week**

- Officer Glenn Bartlett was off duty when a black Nissan Pathfinder pulled in front of him. He immediately recognized this vehicle as being stolen .
- Officer Bartlett contacted police dispatch and continued to follow the vehicle to the Shadle Wal-Mart parking lot.
- Investigative Sergeant Dan Torok was also off duty and on his way home when he responded to assist while waiting for on duty units to arrive and recover the vehicle.
- Officer Erin Raleigh, Officer Frank Erhart and Officer Nick Geren arrived on scene and contacted the occupants of the vehicle. Officers later placed the driver, [REDACTED] under arrest for Possession of a Stolen Vehicle.
- Since February 25th, there has been an increase in stolen vehicle activity in the area of 12th Ave and South Ivory St. Several vehicles have been stolen from and recovered in a six mile radius of that location, including the Nissan Pathfinder recovered by Officer Bartlett.
- Over his last five day work week, which ended yesterday, Officer Bartlett has recovered nine stolen vehicles.

### **Action Plan – For Wednesday, March 10th, 2010**

#### Vehicle Theft Update (Lt. Mullennix will take lead)

- What are the recent vehicle theft trends?
- Has there been any significant arrests over the past week?
- Have the numbers declined at all in the Emerson-Garfield area?

#### Follow up on several on-going investigative cases (Major Stephens will serve as point)

- Assaults/burglaries
  - Any updates? Any new information from Crime Analysis? Have there been any further arrests?
  - Any updates on the recent espresso shop robbery?

#### New Printers in Records Department (Captain Winkey will take lead)

- Have these printers been installed and has it led to faster information sharing?

#### Discussion on elert and other community distribution of AIM (A/C Nicks)

- How do we widen distribution?

### City of Spokane Weekly Citywide Selected Incidents

Adam

Baker

Charley

David

