

Squad 99 Police Blotter

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Bikes, bikes and more bikes!

More bike Cops coming to a street near you...

Summer is here!! As I write this we are almost half way through the month of June. Many of you miss a certain unit that patrolled the streets of downtown and Canal Park over that past 3 years, and are also wondering what the Police Department has done to supplement patrols in the downtown and Canal Park areas. Well, have I got news for you!!

Your Police Department's Administration realizes the importance of added patrols in these areas during the summer months. There has been much thought, preparation and planning that has gone into a sustainable plan for this year and years to come. If the title of the article didn't give it away, you guessed it!! You will be seeing increased bike patrols this summer!

This has been a plan in the making for MONTHS. It is nice to finally see things coming together. We held one of our first training courses this past week and things went great! We have one more training course coming up this week and when all is said and done we will have added 12 new Officers to the Bicycle Patrol. All of these Officers currently work in Patrol or Investigations and the Bike Patrol Certification allows them to take on additional shifts outside of their primary duties.

If you happen to be wondering who you will see patrolling on bikes this summer, I'll break it down! As in other years, you will see the department's School Resource Officers (SROs) this summer. Officer June Sackette (Lincoln Park Middle SRO), Officer Bill Stauber (East High School SRO) and Officer Jason McClure (Denfeld High School SRO) will all be out and about this summer. In addition to the SROs, you will also see members of your Community Policing Unit on a very regular basis. We will likely mix it up a bit between Foot and Bike patrols, but will be there nonetheless. Wait there is more... on an almost daily basis for the month of June there will be up to 3 additional shifts per day. The times and number of shifts vary, but you can look for additional Bike Officers during the hours of 10:00 am and Midnight most days of the week.

Fun Facts from May



Miles Walked – 85

Miles Biked- 36

Business Contacts - 152

Parking Enforcement
Contacts - 6

Meetings (hours) - 18

Self-Initiated Field Activity
and Community Engagement
Events - 26

Citations – 5

Arrests- 3

Here are some photos from last week's training course. This course consisted of some classroom lecture, but the majority of the class was spent outside learning and developing a skillset that can be applied while working Bike Patrol shifts. The cone courses help Officers develop skills in slow, precise and controlled riding. We also worked on numerous other skills throughout the course such as emergency stopping, road riding in traffic both safely and effectively, traffic stops, subject stops and many more!

