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Worthington Police News

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Officer Profile: Dan Walton

The officer profile for the month of August is Officer Dan Walton.

Officer Walton grew up in Maplewood and attended North St. Paul High School where he graduated in 2007.

After graduating high school, Officer Walton attended Minnesota State University in Mankato where he graduated in 2011 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Law Enforcement.

Officer Walton then applied for the Worthington Police Department where he was hired in 2012.

After successfully completing an intensive field training program, Officer Walton was assigned to the patrol division on the float shift.

Officer Walton has a promising career ahead of him as he strives to become a member of the Emergency Response Unit and a K-9 officer.

Officer Walton is the first generation of peace officers in his family and is working hard and making his family proud.



Community Calendar

August 7	Community Blood Drive	Sanford Hospital (9:00 am to 1:00 pm)
August 7	Community Blood Drive	Pioneer Village (3:00 pm to 7:00 pm)
August 7	Night to Unite	Pioneer Village (Starting at 5:00 pm)
August 9	Nobles County Fair Starts	
August 12	Nobles County Fair Ends	
August 21	School Starts for High School, Middle School and ALC	
August 22	School Starts for Prairie Elementary	

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Heroes Behind the Badges

For the sixth year in a row, the police will be battling the fire fighters and EMTs to see who can bring in the most blood donors for the Community Blood Bank.

This year's blood drive will be held on August 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Sanford Regional Hospital- Worthington and from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Pioneer Village during the Night to Unite event. The Community Blood Bank is the sole source of blood for the Sanford Regional Hospital – Worthington and 28 other regional hospitals.

So stop in and support your favorite police department as we work to defeat the fire fighters and EMTs while supporting this important cause.



Night to Unite

Join us on August 7 at 5:00 p.m. at Pioneer Village for *Night to Unite*.

Night to Unite is an opportunity for the public to meet with our local police officers toward the common goal of crime prevention.

There will be plenty to do with the Emergency Response Unit being on hand along with the Worthington Fire Department, DNR Boat and Water Unit, Southwest Crisis Center, and the Sanford Air Ambulance.

In addition to the events, there will be hamburgers, pop and chips served.

The event is free and open to the public.

We hope to see you there!



Ask an Officer

Did you ever have a question for police officers, but didn't want to ask them in person?

Each month, one question will be selected and answered in this newsletter. So here is your chance. Send your comments and questions to:

chillesheim@co.nobles.mn.us and it may be answered here.



Scam Alert: Telephone Cramming

A scam that is making a comeback recently is telephone cramming.

Cramming is where a telephone company enters into a deal with a marketing company to sell you "services" that are billed onto your telephone bill.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, 19 out of 20 people who fall victim to telephone cramming do not notice these charges and routinely pay them each month.

What is worse is that even

if you do notice the charges, the telephone companies will typically only credit you charges made during the past 60 days.

The easiest way you can protect yourself from being a victim of telephone cramming is to go through you bill each month and look for charges you do not recognize.

If you do see a charge you do not recognize, call up your telephone company and question them about the charge and dispute the charge. After all, you are the person best able to protect yourself from these scammers.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Detective Nathan Grimmius for being selected as the head coach of the Worthington High School Boys Hockey team.

Detective Grimmius has dedicated countless hours toward improving the hockey program and we expect great things to come from him and his team.





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Dumb Criminal of the Month

After a hard afternoon of drinking, our dumb criminal of the month was just trying to get home when she came across a couple of men checking out a lawnmower.

Our dumb criminal approached the men and started to beg them for a ride. The men asked her to leave them alone and quit bothering them.

Not to take no for an answer, our dumb criminal became more aggressive and demanding. She resorted to assaulting one of the men and threatening to have her boyfriend kill him.

The man, who just happened to be an off-

duty Worthington Police Detective, was able to push her away and call for assistance.

For all her trouble, the dumb criminal was arrested for Terroristic Threats and Assault.

On the bright side, our dumb criminal was able to sleep it off in the safety of the Nobles County Jail under the watchful eye of the Nobles County correctional officers.



Mission Statement

Serving Worthington with honor and integrity by providing community oriented law enforcement and emergency services to all people.

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