

## Chief

Michael Cumiskey

## Captain

Chris Dybeck

## Sergeants

Bill Bolt  
Kevin Flynn  
Tim Gaul  
Brett Wiltrout

## Patrol Officers

Dan Brouillet  
Chris Hillesheim  
Kirk Honius  
Joe Joswiak  
Randy Liepold  
Tyler Olson  
Josh McCuen  
Colby Palmersheim  
Brandon Peil  
Mark Riley  
Kirk Schelhaas  
Dan Walton

## Investigators

Troy Appel  
Shawn Elsing  
Nate Grimmus  
Dave Hoffman

## School Resource

Jacki Bomgaars

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Worthington Police Department (507) 295-5400

## Officer Profile: Brandon Peil

The November Officer of the Month for the Worthington Police Department is Brandon Peil.

Officer Peil has just finished the rigorous field training program and started his patrol duties on October 21.

Officer Peil is a Worthington native and graduated from the Worthington High School in 2006.

After high school, Officer Peil attended the law enforcement program at Minnesota West where he earned an Associate of Science degree in law enforcement.



After finishing college, Officer Peil began his law enforcement career with the Lakefield Police Department. Later he was employed by the Jackson Police Department and also the Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

Officer Peil is also active with the Lakefield Ambulance where he works as an Emergency Medical Technician.

When Officer Peil is not working, he enjoys spending his time hunting and fishing.

## 2014-2015 City of Worthington Animal Licenses

Now is the time to purchase your 2014-2015 pet license(s) at the Worthington Police Department or Veterinary Medical Center in Worthington. The licenses are available for \$20 for spayed or neutered animals or \$30 for non-spayed or non-neutered.



Office hours to purchase your license are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please bring along proof of a current rabies immunization.

The new licenses are good for two years and need to be purchased by February 1, 2014 to prevent a citation.

**Animal Control**  
Virgil Veen

**Community Service**

Andrea Barrios  
Derek Claar  
Myra Onnen

**Reception**

Barb Hussong

**Records**

Shari Droll  
Julie Jeppesen

**TAC/IT**

Gary Gerdes

**Dispatch**

Tonya Aanenson  
Stephanie Culham  
Hannah Huls  
Larry Rogers  
Nancy Veen

## Continuing Education for Police Officers

A common question that police officers are asked is what type of training or education do you need to become a police officer.

However, no one ever asks what type of training is needed to continue to be a police officer.

The Minnesota Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST Board) is the state agency that licenses police officers for the State of Minnesota.

While the POST Board requires each officer to have 48 hours of continuing education per 3 year license period, most officers receive far more

training than required.

Each year, police officers are required to have certain trainings. These trainings include: a firearms qualification, a cold weather shoot, a Use of Force Class, which includes a review of the use of force laws and a hands-on training, as well as OSHA required classes such as a Bloodborne Pathogen Class.

Every two years, police officers receive refresher courses for first responder or emergency medical technician training.

Every five years, police officers also attend an Emergency Vehicle Operations Course or EVOC for short.

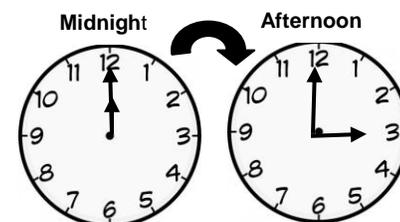


Many Worthington police officers are trained as instructors for these various classes. Currently we have firearms instructors, defensive tactics instructors, first responder and EMT instructors, CPR instructors, and an EVOC instructor on our officer staff.

## Law Review: Odd Even Parking

It's that time of year again when snow is just around the corner and Worthington's odd/even parking ordinance goes into effect. Starting November 15<sup>th</sup> until March 31<sup>st</sup>, you have to alternate the side of the street you park on based on the day. If the day is an odd number, then you need to park on the odd side of the street and if the day is an even number then you need to park on the even side of the street.

The odd/even ordinance goes into effect at 12:01 a.m. (just after midnight) and is in effect until 3:00 pm. Violators are subject to a \$25 fine and to potentially having their car towed.



**Text Anonymous  
Information**

Send confidential tips to the  
Buffalo Ridge Drug Task Force

Text 372DTF with your tip  
Send to 847411 (tip411)

**tip 411**

\*100% Anonymous\*

## Scam Alert: The Red Box Scam

There is a new scam making the rounds that involves the Red Box machines.

The scammer will rent a movie or video game from the Red Box machine and will either photocopy the front of the disc or peel off the sticker.

The scammer will then attach the photocopy or sticker to a blank cd and replace that into the

case. This in turn tricks the Red Box machine into thinking the video disc was returned.

This scam will go undiscovered until next time someone rents that particular disc.

If you found one of these discs, you should report this to the Worthington Police Department, as well as contacting Red Box to file a fraud report.



Do you have a question about a scam or have been a victim of a scam that you would like to warn others about? If so, please email [chillesheim@co.nobles.mn.us](mailto:chillesheim@co.nobles.mn.us). You may remain anonymous.



## Ask an Officer: Abandoned Vehicles

Recently an Ellsworth High School student had an interesting question for me. He asked, "What can you do if someone parks or abandons a car on your property?"

The first thing you should do is to call the Worthington Police Department so we can check to see if the vehicle is stolen. Each year the police department recovers vehicles that are abandoned around town.

If the vehicle does turn out to be stolen, we will tow the vehicle and take custody of it. If the vehicle is not stolen, then police involvement ends and the home owner can either leave the vehicle or have it towed.

The police are commonly asked to tow vehicles from private property, however Minnesota statutes prohibit us from doing so except for limited exceptions.

While they will be a charge to tow the vehicle from your property, you can seek reimbursement from the vehicle owner for this expense.

Do you have a question for a police officer, but never had the chance to ask?

Here is your chance! Each month, one question will be selected and answered in this newsletter

Send your comments and questions to:

[chillesheim@co.nobles.mn.us](mailto:chillesheim@co.nobles.mn.us)

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We're on the Web!

See us at:  
[www.ci.worthington.mn.us](http://www.ci.worthington.mn.us)

**Criminal of the Month**

As we have said in the past, many of our criminal stories revolve around the abuse of alcohol and this story is no different.

Our story starts late one afternoon when our criminal and a friend decided to drive home after spending an afternoon drinking at a friend's house.

While driving home, our criminal drove off the roadway and sideswiped a tree. If that was not bad enough, our criminal

proceeded to over correct, cross the street and drive through a storage shed in the backyard of a local residence; destroying the shed and scattering property everywhere.

If that was not enough, a 2x4 went through the windshield of the car.

Our criminal then proceeded to run from the scene on foot, only to be caught by a sharp eyed officer when he observed the criminal being chased by a witness!

**Mission Statement**

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

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