

## Chief

Michael Cumiskey

## Captain

Chris Dybevic

## Sergeants

Bill Bolt  
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Tim Gaul  
Brett Wiltrout

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

## Investigators

Troy Appel  
Shawn Elsing  
Nate Grimmus  
Dave Hoffman

## School Resource

Jacki Bomgaars

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## Officer Profile: Dan Brouillet

The October Officer of the Month is the Worthington Police Department's newest officer, Dan Brouillet. Officer Brouillet attended St. Cloud State University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree.

After graduation, Officer Brouillet worked at the St. Cloud Police Department on the support side, where he learned about the post-arrest process. Officer Brouillet is married and is currently living in Worthington with his wife, cat and dog.

When Officer Brouillet is not working, his hobbies include hanging out with his wife, fixing things around the house, playing with his German Shepherd, and watching Wild hockey and Vikings football.

Officer Brouillet found the job of a police officer to be challenging, because he did not have prior police experience before working in Worthington.



## Highway 59 to Open

Highway 59 north of Worthington is projected to open by Wednesday, October 16, unless weather is a factor.

**Animal Control**  
Virgil Veen

**Community Service**  
Andrea Barrios  
Myra Onnen

**Chaplain**  
Pastor James  
Sickmeyer

**Reception**  
Barb Hussong

**Records**  
Shari Droll  
Julie Jeppesen

**TAC/IT**  
Gary Gerdes

**Dispatch**  
Tonya Aanenson  
Stephanie Culham  
Hannah Huls  
Larry Rogers  
Nancy Veen



## Halloween Safety Tips

The Halloween season is here once again and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention has some safety tips to keep our little ghosts and ghouls safe this season.

- Swords, knives and other costume accessories should be short, flexible and soft.
- Don't allow children to trick or treat alone.
- Walk in groups and have a trusted adult along.
- Use reflective tape to help drivers see the children.
- Examine all treats for choking hazards and tampering before allowing the children to eat them.
- Use a flashlight or other light source to allow others to see you.
- Look both ways before crossing the streets and use crosswalks whenever possible.
- Walk on sidewalks whenever possible. If sidewalks are not possible, walk against traffic and stay as close to the curb as possible.
- Wear well-fitting masks, costumes, and shoes to avoid blocking vision and to prevent trips and falls.
- Avoid eating homemade treats made by strangers.
- Enter homes only if you are with a trusted adult.
- Don't stop at dark houses and never accept rides from strangers.
- Finally, never walk near lit candles or luminaries.

By following these simple tips, you can keep your children safe this Halloween.



## Law Review: Driving Through Property to Avoid Traffic Signal

Driving through Property to Avoid Traffic Signal is one of Worthington's shortest ordinances. With just 22 words, this ordinance makes it unlawful to avoid a traffic control device such as a traffic light or stop sign by driving through private property.

For example, if you were waiting at the stop light by Bob and Steve's, it is unlawful to cut through their lot to avoid waiting for the light to change.

### 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: Do Not Call List Scam

The newest scam to make the rounds is the “do not call list” scam.

In this scam, the victim will receive a call from a person posing as a representative of the National Do Not Call Registry.

The caller will claim to provide you with an opportunity to register your phone number, which will limit the number of telemarketing calls.

The caller will then ask you for personal information such as your name, address, Social Security number. Some scammers will also try to charge a fee to join the registry.

In either case, the call is a scam and you should just hang up the phone.

The National Do Not Call List is a free service of the federal government so they would never ask you for a fee.

In addition, private businesses cannot register phone calls on behalf of consumers.

If are interested in registering for the National Do Not Call List, you can go to [donotcall.gov](http://donotcall.gov) or you can call 888-382-1222 and register your telephone number.



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: Levels of Crimes

What is the difference between the different levels of crimes, such as felonies and misdemeanors?

In Minnesota, there are four levels of offenses that include felony, gross misdemeanor, misdemeanor and petty misdemeanor.

The highest level of crime in Minnesota is a felony. A felony is any crime in which a sentence of imprisonment for more than one year can be imposed.

The next level of crime is the gross misdemeanor. A gross misdemeanor is any crime that does not constitute a felony or

misdemeanor. A gross misdemeanor can include a jail sentence of up to a year and a \$3,000 fine.

A misdemeanor is a crime for which a sentence of not more than 90 days or a fine of \$1,000 or both may be imposed.

A petty misdemeanor is a petty offense, which is prohibited by statute, but does not constitute a crime for which a sentence of a fine of not more than \$300.00 may be imposed. A typical petty misdemeanor can be an offense such as a speeding ticket.

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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Community Service Officer  
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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

The Criminal of the Month for October is someone who could not leave well enough alone.

A couple weeks before he became our Criminal of the Month, a car backed into our criminal's car.

Instead of exchanging information about the traffic crash or calling to police for assistance, he decided to take the matter into his own hands.

Late one night, our criminal found the vehicle that had backed into his vehicle and decided to get a little payback for the earlier traffic crash.

The criminal took a BB gun and proceeded to

shoot out two windows on the vehicle.

This act of revenge was quickly foiled by a video camera.

What started out as a simple traffic crash turned into a Criminal Damage to Property charge, which is a gross misdemeanor due to the amount of damage to the car. In this case, there was over \$700.00 in damage to the broken windows.

Instead of receiving some insurance money to repair his vehicle after the accident, this criminal will be paying the other party \$700.00 restitution, in addition to court fines, and possible jail time.



## Mission Statement

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

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