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Michael Cumiskey

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Chris Dybevic

Sergeants

Bill Bolt
Kevin Flynn
Tim Gaul
Brett Wiltrout

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Ted Buhner
Chris Hillesheim
Kirk Honius
Joe Joswiak
Randy Liepold
Josh McCuen
Mark Riley
Kirk Schelhaas
Bruce Stugelmeyer
Dan Walton

Investigators

Troy Appel
Shawn Elsing
Nate Grimmus
Dave Hoffman

School Resource

Jacki Dawson

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Worthington Police Department (507) 295-5400

Officer Profile: Sergeant Tim Gaul

The officer profile for September is Sergeant Tim Gaul.

Sergeant Gaul was born and raised in Worthington, graduating from the Worthington Senior High in 1984. He went on to attend Mankato State University, graduating in 1992 with a degree in Law Enforcement.

Chief Don Linssen hired Sergeant Gaul as a patrol officer on April 20, 1990.

Sergeant Gaul joined the Emergency Response Unit in 1992 and was

promoted to unit leader in 1998.

In 1994, Sergeant Gaul became a Use of Force and Firearms instructor. In addition, he was selected as a Field Training Officer (FTO) and rose to running the FTO program by 2000.

On January 1, 2001, Chief Mike Cumiskey promoted Sergeant Gaul to Sergeant.

Sergeant Gaul oversees the following for the Worthington Police Department: FTO



Program, Firearms, Use of Force, scheduling and vacation requests, squad car ordering and maintenance, POST License maintenance, along with various other daily functions that keep the Worthington Police Department running smoothly.

Minnesota Chief of Police Scholarship

Each year, the Minnesota Chief of Police Association awards ten scholarships in the amount of \$750 to law enforcement students.

This year, Worthington Police Reserve Officer Kaylynn Meinders was selected to receive this scholarship

Congratulations Reserve Officer Meinders on your selection and best of luck with your studies.



Animal Control
Virgil Veen

Community Service
Myra Onnen

Chaplain
Pastor James
Sickmeyer

Reception
Barb Hussong

Records
Shari Droll
Julie Jeppesen

TAC/IT
Gary Gerdes

Dispatch
Tonya Aanenson
Candy Malmquist
Larry Rogers
Regan Roloff
Nancy Veen

New Telephone Number

The Worthington Police Department recently upgraded the telephone system to a VOIP system.

VOIP stands for Voice Over Internet Protocol and is a telephone system where the calls are routed over a broadband internet connection.

With the new telephone system, comes a new telephone number. The new Worthington Police

Department telephone number is 507-295-5400.

Currently when you call the police department, your telephone call will automatically roll over to the new number. Within a couple months, if you call the police department's old telephone number, you will receive a message prompting you to call our new number.

This change in telephone numbers will not affect the 911 system at all.

Besides a new telephone number, the only difference most people will notice is their caller ID will show "State of Minnesota" when someone from the police department calls you.

Call of the Month

The Call of the Month involves an off duty detective jogging around the lake one night.

As our detective reached Centennial Beach, he heard a loud banging noise coming from the Beach Nook.

The detective soon discovered the source of the noise, two juveniles trying to break into the concession stand door.

The detective quickly called for officers to respond and monitored the juveniles while they tried to gain entry to the building.

Officers soon arrived on scene and took the juveniles into custody.

Thanks to the quick thinking of the detective and the willingness to get involved, a potential burglary was prevented.



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

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.



National Preparedness Month

Would you know what to do in case of a national disaster or manmade disaster?

September is national preparedness month and Minnesota Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management is encouraging everyone to take a few simple steps to protect yourself and your loved ones in case of an emergency.

Be Informed:

Learn about local hazards and their risks.

Build an emergency kit:

Be ready to survive on your own.

Make a communication plan:

Have a plan to keep yourself and your family in touch.

Get Involved:

Find out about preparedness in your community.

For more information on emergency preparedness, you can go to Ready.gov, FEMA.gov or to the Minnesota Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management webpage.



Ask an Officer

We recently received a question from Linden on what Gary Gerdes does as a TAC/IT person.

There are many of us around the police department that wonder what Gary actually does around here as well.

All kidding aside, Gary is actually very busy with his duties.

The first duty he has is as the Terminal Agency Coordinator (TAC).

As the TAC for the Worthington Police Department, Gary has

the responsibility to ensure all Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and Federal Bureau of Investigation policies are being followed in regard to accessing data bases operated by these agencies.

In addition, he is responsible for overseeing the criminal history record information, managing records, auditing and sanction process for users of these records.

The second part of Gary's job is IT or

information technology. Gary is in charge of ensuring all of the computer systems used by the police department are kept running. He is also assisting with the IT needs at the new Worthington Fire Station.

This includes mobile computers used in the patrol cars along with devices such as printers, ticket printers, evidence label printers, as well as driver's license scanners.

Hope this answered your question.



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See us at:

www.ci.worthington.mn.us

Dumb Criminal of the Month

September's dumb criminal of the month found out the hard way that Marijuana can and does affect your ability to drive.

While driving to Wal-Mart, our dumb criminal went into a marijuana induced "fog" and ran a red light on Oxford Street.

When the dumb criminal ran the red light, he struck a car traveling through the intersection. That car just happened to be a Worthington police car.

While the crash totaled the police car and the dumb criminal's car, nobody was seriously injured.

After an investigation by the Nobles County Sheriff's Department into the crash, the dumb criminal was arrested for Criminal Vehicular Operation, Driving While Intoxicated and Possession of a Controlled Substance.



Mission Statement

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

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