

POLICE DEPARTMENT

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS



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- * At approximately 11:07 p.m. on August 11, 2012 an investigation was initiated after a 5 year old child was found standing on the sidewalk outside a Bay Avenue residence. The investigation revealed that the father left his two children, ages 3 and 5, home alone for more than two hours while he drank at a local bar. As a result Adam Dametz, 35 years of age, was arrested and charged with (2) counts of endangering the welfare of a minor.
- * On August 17, 2012 officers arrested a 62 year old Highlands man for masturbating in public at Eastpointe Condominiums. The subject was charged with lewdness and released on his own recognizance pending a court appearance.
- * On August 18, 2012 at approximately 1:45 a.m. George L. Monath, Jr. knocked on the door of an acquaintance asking for help. The 26 year old woman reported that it appeared that Monath had blood on his arm and leg. After the woman let Monath inside her residence a struggle ensued during which the victim was assaulted. Warrants were signed charging George L. Monath, Jr., 35 years old, Atlantic Highlands, with attempted aggravated sexual assault, sexual assault, criminal restraint and aggravated assault and he turned himself in at the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office. Mr. Monath's bail was set at \$100,000.00 and he was subsequently transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution, Freehold.
- * On August 24, 2012, a resident alerted officers to a suspicious male parked in a Navesink Avenue parking lot. Upon arrival officers found the man to be disoriented and having a hard time staying awake. The officers also observed "fresh" needle marks on the man's arm and obtained a consent to search the vehicle. As a result of the search officers found (2) full bags of suspected heroin, (7) empty bags of suspected heroin and a hypodermic syringe. Michael Vuilleumier, 31 years of age, Long Branch was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance and paraphernalia. Vuilleumier was processed and later released on his own recognizance pending a court appearance.

* **Administration:**

- Budget
 - New Patrol Vehicle
 - Delivered but is being sent back to Ford due to the vehicle having a dent
 - Coordinating with various companies for the installation of the new equipment
 - 1703 continues to have problems; vehicle needs to be replaced within next budget
- Statewide Narcotic Action Plan
 - Stationed at schools during the arrival and dismissal times
 - Ensure that vehicles and pedestrians are travelling safely
- Grants
 - Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund (DDEF)
 - Borough to receive \$4,500.00 from the State
 - Monies received are directly related to this department's proactive enforcement.
- Ordinances
 - Traffic
 - Request the Governing Body to establish an ordinance to prohibit motor vehicles or boats from being operated on any public roads or highways that are flooded. We have found a model ordinance from another jurisdiction that we are amending with the help of the borough attorney.

* **Community Policing:**

- Explorers
 - Attended and participated in a training session on traffic stops
 - Law Enforcement Service Commendation
 - Explorers must complete 100 hours of volunteer service learning communications
 - (2) explorers are working to complete the required hours for this commendation
- Domestic Violence Response Team (DVRT) – The Highlands Police Department partnered with 180 Turning Lives Around in June 2006 to form a Team. Within the first year of its inception the department saw a decrease of approximately 13 percent in domestic violence calls which was partly attributed to the commitment and dedication of the volunteer advocates.
 - Advocates (needed)
 - Must Apply
 - Volunteer
 - Training Provided

* **Investigations:**

During the month of August the detective division handled a total of **12** new initial investigations which included thefts, burglaries, criminal mischief, assaults, sexual assault, endangering the welfare of a child and bias intimidation.

- Total Investigations - 12
 - Closed – 7
 - Cleared w/o Arrests – 2
 - Arrests – 4
 - Warrants – 1 (issued/pending arrest)
 - Open Investigations – 5

* **Patrol:**

- Burglary
 - Total Calls – (5)
 - Residential – (5)
- Thefts
 - Total Calls – (9)
- Lewdness
 - Arrest (1)
 - Masturbation in Public
- Hindering Apprehension
 - Arrest (1)
 - Individual provided officers with false information during an investigation to avoid arrest
- Domestic Violence Complaints – (9)
 - Criminal Mischief – (3)
 - Burglary – (2)
 - Simple Assault – (3)
 - Harassment – (1)
 - Restraining Orders - (1) issued
- Disorderly Persons
 - Complaints (5)
 - Arrests (5)
 - Under the Influence
 - Alcohol (5)

- Criminal Mischief
 - Total Complaints – (6)
 - Vehicles – (3)
 - Other Property – (3)

- Controlled Dangerous Substance
 - Arrests (6)
 - Possession (5)
 - Distribution (1)

- Motor Vehicle Stops
 - Total – (170)
 - Arrests – (4)
 - CDS Possession – (4)

- Mental Health/ Crisis Calls
 - Total Calls – (7)
 - Transports to other facilities – (2)

- First Aid
 - Total Calls – (45)

* Total Calls for Service: 593

* Arrests: Adults: 32 (5 for possession of CDS)

JV: 2

* Summons: Total: 177

Moving Violations: 65

Non-Moving: 55

DWI: 4

Borough Ordinance: 53

(Statistical Information is from August 1 – 31, 2012)