

# Crime Prevention Newsletter

## Omaha Police Department Northwest Precinct



March 2017

### 52 New OPD Recruits Graduate

**3/3/17**– The Omaha Police Department welcomes 52 new officers to the force following their graduation ceremony on Friday, March 3rd. Newly sworn officers will begin hitting the streets within days of their graduation to begin the Field Training phase. Officers are paired with an experienced training officer and begin responding to real-life calls. This training lasts 15 weeks before new officers are allowed to begin responding to calls on their own. We wish the new class best of luck with your new career and we are excited to have you join the ranks of the Omaha Police Department!

## Recent Crime Trends

**Business Burglaries**– Multiple reports have been made of businesses city-wide having their front glass broken out and being burglarized during closed hours. Burglary and the Crime Prevention Unit have been actively working to determine if these cases are related and to identify the suspects responsible.

**Theft of Motor Vehicle**– District 12 reported the highest incidents of stolen vehicles in the past month. Some of the incidents were related to leaving vehicles unlocked with or without keys inside, or leaving vehicles running with the keys in the ignition. A district map can be viewed on the OPD website.

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### Upcoming Events!

3/14/17- 6:00 p.m.- PAC Meeting, NW Precinct- 10245 Wiesman Drive

3/17/17– 8:30 a.m.– Coffee with a Cop, Hy-Vee– 7910 Cass Street

# Spring Break Safety

So you finally decided to take a relaxing vacation. Keep these tips in mind so your R&R doesn't turn into a vacation nightmare!

- Familiarize yourself with the area you are visiting. Avoid walking around with a map so you are easily recognized as a visitor.
- Keep a card from the hotel with you in case you get lost and need help getting back
  - Use hotel safes and utilize extra deadbolts to lock the doors
  - Use ATMs wisely. Avoid using one alone and be aware of your surroundings.
  - Avoid traveling with expensive jewelry and large amounts of cash
    - -Use well-traveled and well-lit streets

## Good News!

**Monday, Feb. 27th @1158hrs, 56th and Ames-** Beat officers and UPB officers were conducting a targeted operation in the area when they stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation. The stop was initiated and officers made contact with the driver. While checking their information, the front passenger ran from the vehicle. Two of the officers chased him on foot and captured him. While the foot pursuit was taking place, the back seat passenger became agitated and began reaching for his waistband. Those officers struggled with the suspect and detained him. He was searched and had a loaded firearm in his possession.

**Tuesday, Feb. 14 @0337hrs- Near 112th and Maple-** Officers responded to a call of a found child. A citizen was leaving for work when he saw a toddler wandering around near his front yard. The citizen took the child inside his home and called 911. When officers arrived they asked his he knew which car outside was his mom or dad's. The child pointed across the street and officers noticed the door was ajar. Officers located the child's parents who explained that their baby had been disturbing the child's sleep so the mother, father and baby were sleeping in the basement to avoid waking the toddler. When the toddler went to look for his parents in the middle of the night, and they weren't in their bed, he went out to look for them. There were no citations issued.

### Important Numbers

**Emergency: 9-1-1**

**Telephone Report Squad: 402-444-4877**

**Drug Activity: 402-444-5680**

**Non-Emergency: 402-444-5600**

**Crime Stoppers: 402-444-7867**

**Mayor's Hotline-402-444-5555**

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