



MUNSTER CRIME WATCH

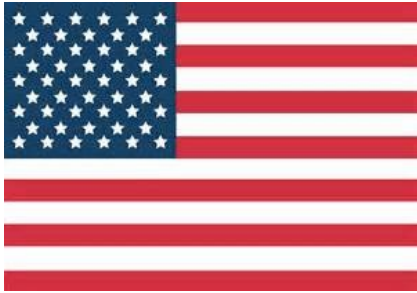
Weekly Report



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MUNSTER'S INDEPENDENCE DAY WEEKEND EVENTS

MUNSTER'S INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE will be held this Saturday, July 3rd starting at 2:00pm. The parade will run north on Calumet Avenue to Ridge Road then east on Ridge to the Center for Visual & Performing Arts building (1040 Ridge Road). The reviewing stand will be at the Munster Town Hall. The parade is sponsored by the Munster Lions Club.

MUNSTER'S FIREWORKS SHOW will be held this Saturday, July 3rd at Centennial Park. The park will open at 6:00pm and live music (featuring One Night Band) will take place from 7:30pm to 11:00pm (with a brief pause during the fireworks show). The Fireworks Show will begin at 9:30pm and is sponsored by the Munster Civics Foundation. Food trucks and a beer garden will be located on-site. Residents are reminded that alcohol is not permitted in the park (coolers and bags are subject to search by the Munster Police Department).

MUNSTER'S KIDDIE PARADE will be held this Sunday, July 4th at 10:00AM. The parade will begin at the corner of Foliage Lane and Oriole Drive and will end at the Old White Oak Association Building (8952 White Oak Avenue). Decorate your bikes, wagons, big wheels or yourself! Food and drinks will be available and prizes will be awarded! The parade, which will feature a flag ceremony by Munster Boy Scout Troop 533, is sponsored by the Firefighters Association of Munster with additional sponsorship provided by Barbara Shaver-Attorney at Law and McDonalds.

The Munster Police Department wishes everyone a safe and fun Independence Day weekend!
Please note the reminder about our town's fireworks ordinance on page 3 of this newsletter.

Charges Filed in Last Month's Reported Shooting Incident

On May 30th, the Munster Police Department investigated a shooting that occurred near Beverly Place and State Line Avenue which stemmed from a reported confrontation at Cheap Tobacco, located at 15 Ridge Road. Three relatives who were at the store were leaving and as they backed out of a space, the driver of the vehicle next to theirs became irate, got out of his vehicle, and struck the window of the relatives with his fist. The victims exited the lot and observed the driver of the other vehicle begin to chase them.



The victims reached speeds of 60-70MPH in an alley north of Cheap Tobacco, fearing they were going to be rammed by the suspect. Subsequently, the relatives observed this suspect/driver to roll down his window and fire a gun at their vehicle. The bullet missed the victim's vehicle and struck an unoccupied, parked car on Beverly Place.

Munster Police detectives located evidence that led them to the alleged driver/shooter who admitted to being involved in a disturbance at the above location. **The suspect, who remains at large, was charged by the Lake County Prosecutor's Office with three counts of criminal recklessness and one count of criminal mischief.**

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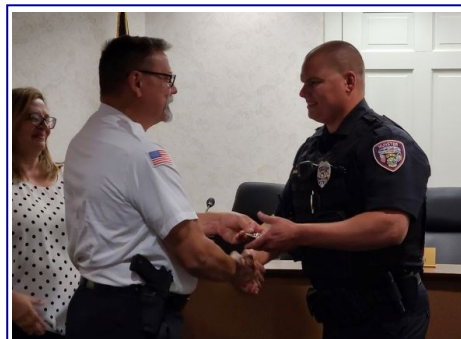


POLICE BLOTTER

- **DISTRACTION BURGLARY**, 0 Block of Terrace Dr (6/26, 12:50PM). Two male suspects (described as having darker skin tone, 40's-50's, wearing black pants and white shirts) reportedly came to the door advising that a tornado had come through the area and that they needed to check the water. While the resident was removing items from underneath of his kitchen sink at the request of one suspect, the other suspect stole jewelry from a bedroom. The suspects also went through a desk advising that they needed money and stole approximately \$100 in cash before leaving in a white pick-up truck with black trim.
- **THEFT FROM VEHICLE**, 1600 Block of Camellia (6/25, overnight). A wallet was stolen from a vehicle that had been left unlocked outside of the condominium building.
- **ATTEMPTED THEFT FROM VEHICLE**, 1900 Block of Azalea (Reported 6/25; occurred 6/18, overnight). An unlocked vehicle was entered and rummaged through. Nothing was reported stolen from inside.
- **THEFT**, The Hammond Clinic-7905 Calumet (6/24, 5:10PM). The reporting party advised that while going through a procedure that he placed a watch into a collection bin and forgot to retrieve it later. When he did so, the watch was missing.
- **SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT**, 9200 Block of Beech (6/21, 5:03PM). A white male (middle-aged) subject driving a black vehicle (possibly a Nissan Maxima) reportedly stopped in front of the residence and appeared to take a photograph of the resident's young daughter who was standing in the front yard. The vehicle then drove away southbound.
- **THEFT FROM VEHICLE**, 1400 Block of Camellia (6/21, overnight). A wallet was stolen from an unlocked vehicle which had been parked in the garage area of the condominium complex.

ARRESTS

- **TRAFFIC OFFENSE**, 8000 Block of Calumet (6/25, 8:20PM). Following a traffic stop, a charge is pending against a subject for allegedly operating as an unlicensed driver.
- **DRUGS/WARRANT**, 45th/Calumet (6/24, 12:18AM). Following a traffic stop and investigation at the scene, the driver was arrested on an active warrant with charges pending for allegedly operating as an unlicensed driver and possession of marijuana.
- **DRUGS/TRAFFIC OFFENSE**, Ridge/Beech (6/23, 8:45PM). Following a traffic stop and investigation at the scene, charges are pending for alleged possession of marijuana and operating as an unlicensed driver.
- **TRAFFIC OFFENSE**, Calumet/Ridge (6/23, 8:26PM). A charge is pending against a subject for allegedly operating as an unlicensed driver following a traffic stop.
- **TRAFFIC OFFENSE**, 7900 Block of Calumet (6/22, 11:45PM). A charge is pending against a subject for allegedly operating as an unlicensed driver following a traffic stop.
- **WARRANTS**, Calumet/Braden Way (6/21, 10:10PM). Following a traffic stop, the driver was arrested on two active warrants.
- **SHOPLIFTING**, Jewel Osco-716 Ridge (6/21, 2:52PM). A charge is pending against a subject for alleged conversion after a report of shoplifting involving a bottle of alcohol and package of batteries.



Munster P.D. Welcomes Our Newest Police Officer

During last week's Town Council Meeting, **Officer Luke Tambrini** was sworn-in as the newest member of the Munster Police Department by Munster Clerk-Treasurer Wendy Mis and presented with his badge by Chief Steve Scheckel. Please join us in welcoming Officer Tambrini to our police department and town!



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Reminder - Munster's Fireworks Ordinance

- Fireworks may be discharged from 1) June 29th through July 3rd, and from July 5th through July 9th, between the hours of 5PM and two hours after sunset; or 2) On July 4th in between the hours of 10AM and midnight.
- Fireworks **MUST** be discharged on your own property (not in the streets or parks) or on the property of someone who has given you permission.
- You must be 18 years of age to possess or discharge fireworks, or be accompanied by an adult.

Violators can be cited by the Munster Police Department. Please respect the safety and peace of your neighbors by following our town's fireworks ordinance and please also make sure to discharge fireworks in a safe manner while properly supervising children who are in the area.

Residents can report possible violations of this ordinance by calling 911.



Please Mark Your Calendars!
**MUNSTER'S 26TH ANNUAL
 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
 AGAINST CRIME CELEBRATION**

Tuesday, August 3rd

4:30PM - COMMUNITY PARADE - Our parade will run south on Columbia Avenue from Park Drive to the south lot of Munster High School and will include emergency vehicles, safety mascots, student groups, and community organizations. You can then follow the parade to the main event at the pool!

5:00PM - MAIN EVENT - Our family night at the Munster Community Pool is for residents of all ages and will include free swimming for Munster residents, a performance of the National Anthem, door prizes, kids games, approximately 100 booth participants, a police helicopter landing, emergency vehicle displays, K-9 demonstrations, safety information, a SWAT vehicle and equipment exhibit, special guests, a blood drive, Citizenship Award presentations, student performances, crime prevention information, food vendors, glow necklaces for kids, music, and an awesome closing **FIREWORKS SHOW** at 8:30PM generously sponsored by Krazy Kaplan's Fireworks.

For more information, please visit our Facebook event page below or contact Officer James Ghrist at 219-836-6639 or jghrist@munster.org. We hope to see you there!

<https://www.facebook.com/events/munster-community-pool/munsters-national-night-out-against-crime-celebration/1816132361890190/>



**MUNSTER
 CRIME WATCH
 MEETING**

**Thursday, July 22nd
 at 7:00PM at the
 Munster Town Hall**

- Recent crime statistics and updates
- A presentation from a member of the **Northwest Regional SWAT Team**
- A chance to ask questions/raise concerns
- A **\$30 Target gift card** and several other gift cards will be awarded as door prizes

**For more information, please contact
 Officer James Ghrist at 219-836-6639.**

Additional Class Opening for Fall!!!

Preschool

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