



NPD-10 Mary District

June 2007

## Crime Watch Newsletter



### Teen Curfew Ordinance

Summer time is here! Swimming pools, Ice Cream and the hot, hot sun! This is the time of year that our children try to stay outside and play all day and all night long. So, let's review the city ordinance for Curfew. The city's curfew ordinance (Section 23-19) applies to anyone UNDER 17 years of age. Curfew hours are 11:00pm-6:00am on Sunday night through Thursday night and 12:01am-6:00am on Saturday and Sunday morning. This is a year round curfew, including the summer.

A minor commits an offense if he/she remains in any public place or on the premises of any establishment within the city during curfew hours. A parent or guardian of a minor commits an offense if he/she knowingly permits, or by insufficient control allows, the minor to remain in any public place or on the premises of any establishment within the city during curfew hours. The owner, operator, or any employee of an establishment commits an offense if he/she knowingly allows a minor to remain upon the premises of the establishment during curfew hours.

It is a Class C Misdemeanor offense, a ticket in other words, to violate this ordinance. There are obviously several good reasons why a minor would be outside during curfew and your teen will not automatically be ticketed. However, they will be questioned as to why they are out and if they don't have a reasonable excuse they may be bringing a ticket home. Also, if the officer is unable to locate a parent or guardian to take custody of the child they will be transported to the juvenile detention center until a responsible party can be located.

For the complete Fort Worth City Code go here: <http://www.municode.com/resources/gateway.asp?pid=10096&sid=43>

### Buckle Up for Traffic Safety

By the time you read this, the annual National Click it or Ticket campaign will be coming to an end. This is a campaign which helps promote seat belt usage among Motor Vehicle occupants. The reasoning is simple: Seat Belts Save Lives. According to data compiled by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; for the years 2002-2004, the leading cause of death for people aged 4-34 was Motor vehicle Traffic Crashes. More than 43,000 people were killed in Motor Vehicle Crashes in the United States in 2005. 3,504 of those deaths were in Texas alone! 1,215 (48%) of those people killed were NOT wearing seatbelts. There is no guarantee that if they had been wearing seat belts they would still be here today but there is a guarantee that their chances of surviving would have increased considerably. So put your dang seat belt on! And buckle up your kids too.

### Please Help Prevent Property Crimes!

Most crimes, especially property crimes are crimes of opportunity. Burglars will generally walk through a parking lot or down a residential street and look into each car they pass. If they see a laptop on the front seat or a purse or Ipod on the center console; then they just hit the jackpot at the burglar lotto! Sure, some burglars will break into a car to pull out the stereo but for the most part burglars want whatever is easy to grab. And even if they do break in to take your stereo they will be happy to take the GPS receiver you left for them as well. It doesn't matter if you are at a restaurant, a shopping mall or your own house. It is possible that burglars are there too. And it doesn't matter to them that you are "only going to be there for a few minutes". That's all the time the bad guy needs to steal your stuff.

So please take all that extra property out of your car and reduce your chance of becoming a victim.

## TOP COPS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

We at NPD-10 would like to recognize the following officers for their awesome efforts to help make this NPD the safest and best NPD in the city!

**The Big Fish Award**.....**MW MOORE** #3176 for Arresting 7 felons!

**The Officer 10-15 Award**.....**AD VALENCIA** #3422 for Arresting a total of 32 suspects!

**The Stopper Award**.....**JM ABRAMOSKI** # 3552 for Stopping 4.42 violators per day!

**The Caffeine Copper Award**.....**AD VALENCIA** #3422 for Averaging 16.81 calls per day!

**The Interrogator Award**.....**JT DAWLEY** # 3502 for Writing 8 Field Interview cards!

**The Starsky and Hutch Award**.....**JC WILLIAMS** #3498 and **JT DAWLEY** # 3502 for Confiscating \$40,000.00 worth of Illegal Narcotics!

### **2007 Auto Etching/H.E.A.T. Registration West Division / Schedule of Locations**

**This is a free service provided by the Fort Worth Police Department. We will permanently etch your vehicle's unique vehicle identification number into all window glass. The police department also applies a sticker that lets the car thief know that the vehicle has been marked, therefore, making it difficult for**

<b>June 13</b> <b>(Wednesday)</b>	<b>9 am - 1 pm</b>	<b>Cowgirl Hall of Fame</b> <b>1700 Montgomery St.</b>
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<b>June 23</b> <b>(Saturday)</b>	<b>9 am - 1 pm</b>	<b>Target</b> <b>301 Carroll St.</b>
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<b>June 27</b> <b>(Wednesday)</b>	<b>9 am - 1 pm</b>	<b>Minyards Food Store</b> <b>3563 Alton Rd.</b>
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## West Division, NPD 10 Neighborhood Police Officers

NPD 10	5320 Trail Lake Dr (817) 392-4750		
Beat	Officer	Telephone	Area of Responsibility
M410	<b>Sgt M.A. Thorne</b> <i>Mark.thorne@fortworthgov.org</i>	(817) 392-4753	<u><a href="#">NPO Sergeant</a></u>
M411	<b>L.E. Charlesworth</b> <i>Laura.charlesworth@fortworthgov.org</i>	(817) 392-4758	<i>Southwest Corridor, Overton Woods</i>
M412	<b>R.E. Demore</b> <i>Richard.demore@fortworthgov.org</i>	(817) 392-4776	<i>Hulen Bend, Southwest Triangle, Quail Ridge</i>
M413	<b>T.M. Schmidt</b> <i>Thomas.schmidt@fortworthgov.org</i>	(817) 392-4760	<i>Wedgwood Central, Wedgwood West</i>
M414	<b>T.J. Chromaster</b> <i>Travis.chromaster@fortworthgov.org</i>	(817) 392-4759	<i>Wedgwood East, Westcreek</i>
M415	<b>R.D. Williamson</b> <i>Ross.williamson@fortworthgov.org</i>	(817) 392-4765	<i>Wedgwood South, Candleridge</i>
M416	<b>I.L. Pierce</b> <i>Ivory.pierce@fortworthgov.org</i>	(817) 392-4766	<i>Southmeadow, Meadowcreek Southgate</i>
M417	<b>M.A. Vargas</b> <i>Miguel.vargas@fortworthgov.org</i>	(817) 392-4777	<i>Parkwood East, Hulen Creek Meadows, Candle Chase, Candleridge West, Meadows of Candleridge, Panther, Panther Heights, Sunset Pointe</i>

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