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## **August 2009 Newsletter**

### **What's New on the Police Front**

The expansion of jurisdictional authority for UNC-Wilmington (UNCW) Police Officers was recently approved by City Council. Deputy Chief David Conklin and Lieutenant Cochran met with UNCW Police Chief Donaldson last week to discuss UNCW's new jurisdictional authority and the impact it will have on WPD operations. Both agencies are looking forward to working more closely together.

Just a short update on the License Plate Recognition (LPR) vehicle we introduced to you in last month's newsletter. The LPR vehicle is being used daily and has had a few hits in recent weeks. A hit & run was solved based upon information retained by the LPR, a vehicle with a stolen license plate was stopped and the suspect charged, and a hit was also received on a stolen vehicle, but due to heavy traffic on S. College Rd. the vehicle could not be relocated. The results from the short time we have utilized the LPR vehicle are encouraging.

Students are returning to school in the upcoming weeks. This past weekend new students moved onto the UNCW campus, with returning students moving into the various apartment complexes around the area. As a result of the returning students, vehicular traffic around UNCW may be unusually heavy. Please take this in to consideration when choosing the best route to reach your destination and exercise patience as a lot of these new students will be from out of town and unfamiliar with the area. Classes for the UNCW Academic Year begin Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>.

Classes for Cape Fear Community College started on Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup> and the start of traditional classes for the New Hanover County School System will be on Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. Please remember that with the start of the academic school year, traffic will be heavier everywhere, particularly around areas frequented by School Buses and in the School Zones. Allow yourself plenty of travel time, be alert to your surroundings, and be aware of your speed, especially in residential areas, near school bus stops, and school zones.

The Wilmington Police Recreation Association (WPRA), a 501(c)(3) organization made up of sworn and non-sworn WPD employees, has been designated by The Wilmington City Council as the organization to raise funds to erect a Police Officer Memorial. The Memorial will be built in front of department headquarters (615 Bess St.) and will be a special place for citizens, friends and family members to visit, reflect and honor our brave fallen officers. WPD has partnered with the New Hanover County Sheriff's Department, Wrightsville Beach PD, Carolina Beach PD, and Kure Beach PD in fundraising for the construction of this Memorial.

The WPRA will be hosting a Sports Autograph Session at Independence Mall on Saturday, September 12, 2009 from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. to raise funds for the Police Officer Memorial. Visit the Association's website at <http://www.wilmingtonpoliceofficers.org/> for more details.

### Know Your Southeast (SE) Patrol Personnel

Each month we would like to introduce you to one of the officers serving your community. This month we would like to introduce you to Officer Adrienne A. Dillon.

Officer Dillon has served with WPD for 6 years. She has been assigned to Patrol and the Problem Oriented Policing Unit. She also serves on the department's Honor Guard Team as a collateral duty. Officer Dillon is a graduate of Hoggard High School and has a BS in Accounting from UNCW. She coached National Championship Cheerleading Squads through the "Wilmington All-Stars" for 8 yrs. Officer Dillon has attended Police Law Institute, dealing with laws of arrest, search and seizure and the DEA Concealed Compartment Training. In her off-duty time she enjoys working out and spending time with her husband and son. Officer Dillon is one of 14 family members that are active or non-active law enforcement officers. She works District 6.



Officer Adrienne Dillon

### Police Beat

**6,943-** Number of calls for service SE Patrol Division Officers responded to during July 2009. This number includes **3,190** calls that were officer initiated.

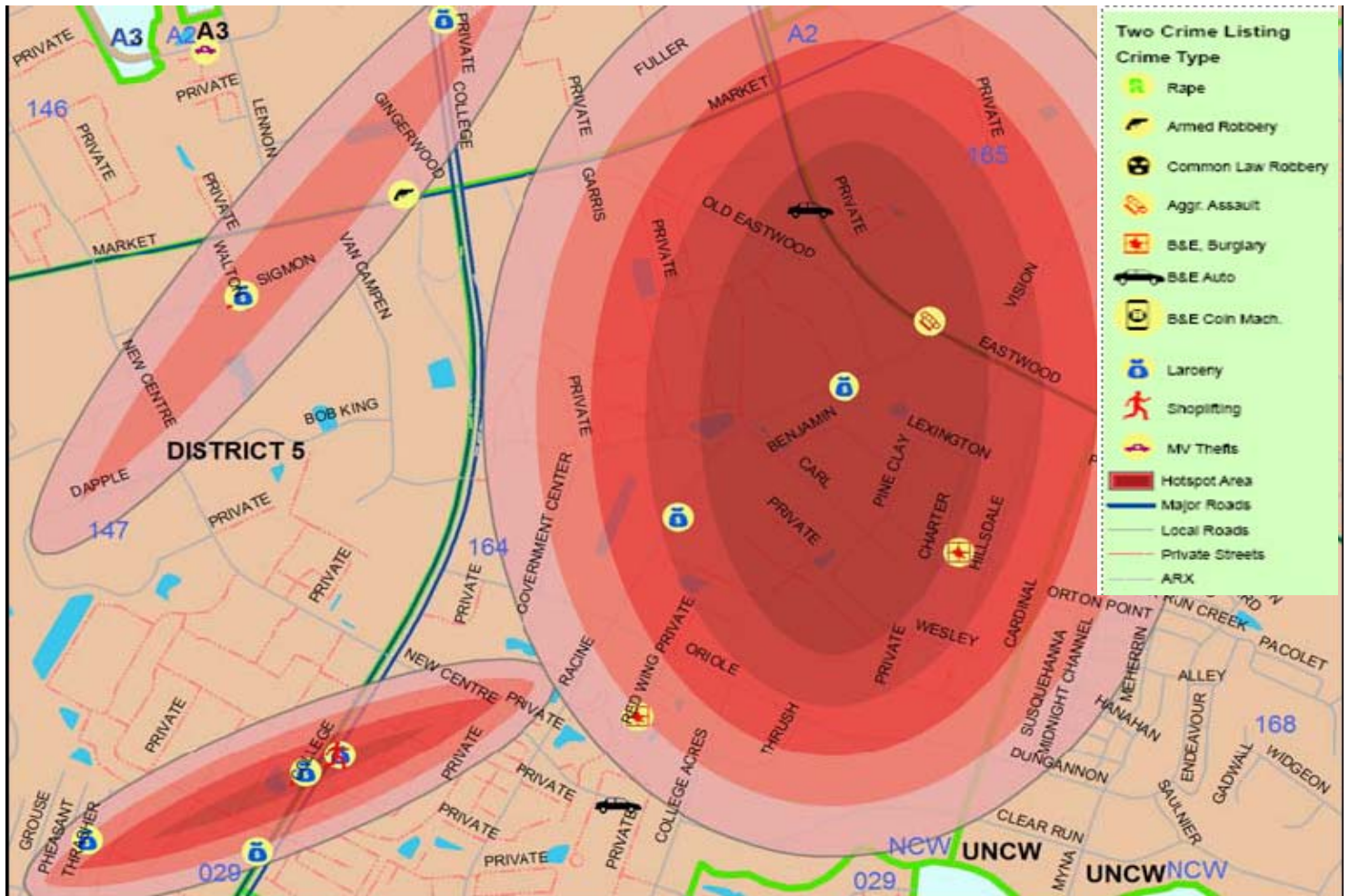
Below is an end of month breakdown of SE Patrol activity for July 2009.

#### Arrests:

- 2 – Robbery (Armed/Common Law Robbery)
- 5 – Breaking and Entering (Residential, Business, Auto/Larceny: Misdemeanor & Felony)
- 7 – Narcotics Related
- 4 – Resisting Arrest/Assault on Law Enforcement Officer
- 1 – Interfering with Emergency Communications
- 1 – Weapons Related
- 8 – Assaults
- 2 – Child Abuse (Misdemeanor)
- 23 – Larceny/Shoplifting/Fraud Related (Embezzlement)
- 28 – Traffic Related (DWI, No Operator's License, Driving During Revocation, Hit & Run)
- 3 – Quality of Life Violations (affray, panhandling, trespass, disorderly conduct, etc.)
- 58 - Warrants served (just in Districts 5 & 6)
- 792– Citations issued (just in Districts 5 & 6 for Traffic Violations/On-view Misdemeanors)

### District 5:

The below map indicates hotspot areas of criminal activity in District 5. As you can see from the key provided the majority of the crimes are larcenies (8). Most larcenies are crimes of opportunity. Also captured on the map are residential and automotive Breaking & Entering (2), Armed Robberies (1), Assaults (1), and Motor Vehicle Thefts (1). The peak hours for these crimes occurring are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and the peak days of the week are Mondays, Fridays, and Sundays.



A good portion of District 5 crimes in recent weeks have been cleared by arrest. Officers have done some excellent investigative follow-up, leading to the identification and arrest of persons committing these crimes. We appreciate all of your phone calls reporting suspicious persons in your neighborhoods and/or lurking around shopping center parking lots. We have followed up on all of your phone calls. Please continue to be alert and report any suspicious activity.

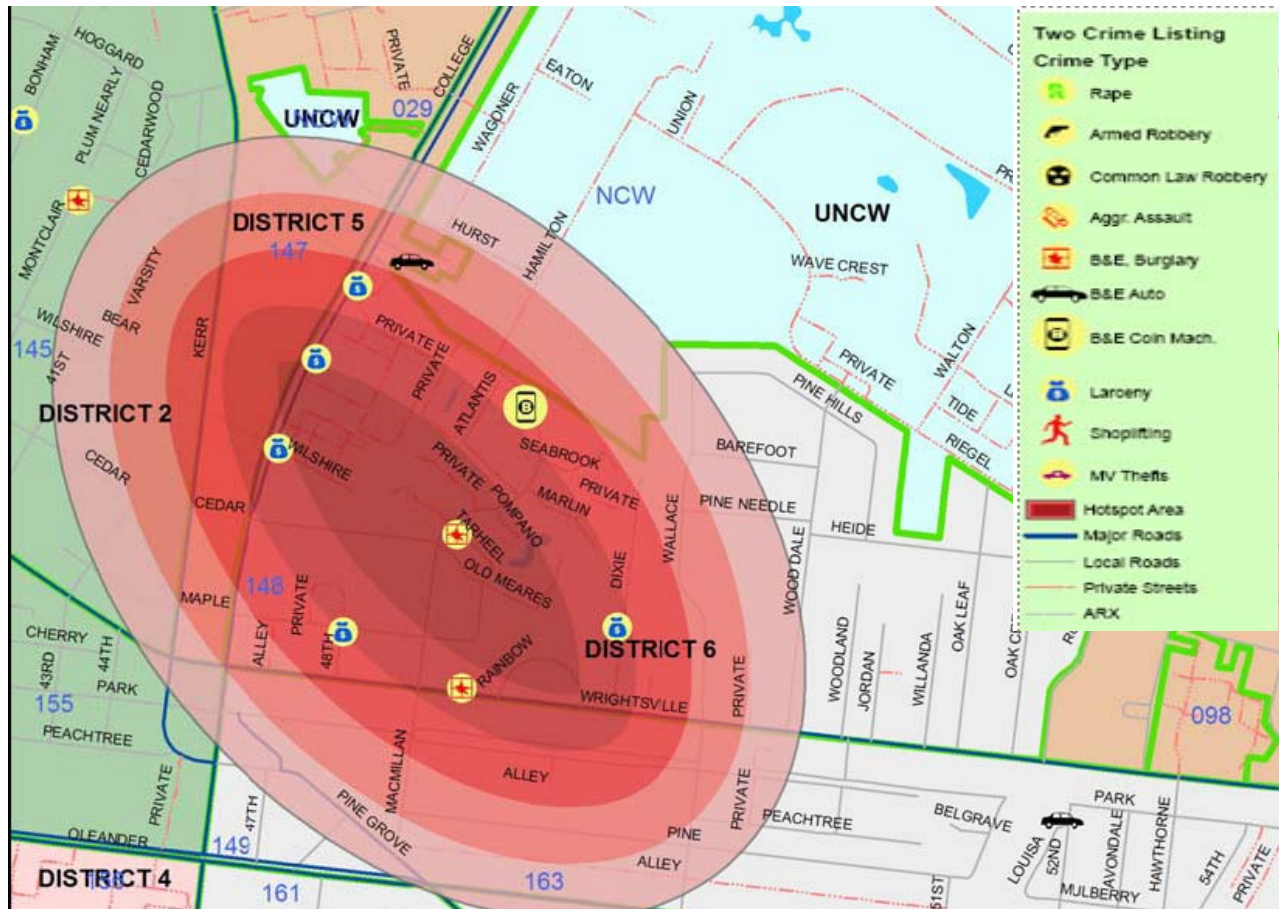
Summarized below are some of the notable arrests made by officers for crimes committed in District 5.

| <b>Suspect</b>       | <b>Address</b>   | <b>Crime</b>       | <b>Crime Location</b> |
|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Jason D. Stukes      | Tulane Dr.       | Comm Law Robbery   | S. College Rd.        |
| James T. Stewart     | Martin St.       | Comm Law Robbery   | Market St.            |
| Brian A. Jones       | Leland, NC       | Narcotics Related  | Sigmon Rd.            |
| Crystal R. Vancleave | Myrtle Grove Rd. | Narcotics Related  | Sigmon Rd.            |
| Andrew W. Rudd       | Ringo Dr.        | B&E Auto/Narcotics | New Centre Dr.        |
| James E. Bosworth    | Greendale Dr.    | Narcotics Related  | New Centre Dr.        |

**District 6:**

Thanks to the help of an off-duty Wilmington Fire Fighter who observed property damage being done at Wade Park and called 911, an arrest was made. Additionally, Officer's were able to identify other suspects from photos obtained by the city. As a result, five individuals have been charged, two of whom were juveniles. The juvenile's parents were contacted and they have been trespassed from returning to the park. Subsequent to their arrest there have been no further incidents reported at Wade Park. Thank you to the City Parks & Facility employees, the Wilmington Fire Fighter and neighbors who have called WPD with information. WPD will continue to monitor the situation and the suspects through contacts with School Resource Officers. It is also our goal to try and identify any issues involving students this year and head them off at the school level through intervention programs.

The most recent District 6 crime hotspots are shown in the below map. District 6 is such a large area, and continuing to grow, that hotspots are consistently changing. The crimes shown in the hotspot area are: Larcenies, Breaking & Entering & Entering, (B&E)/Burglaries, B&E of Auto, and B&E Coin Operated Machine. These crimes are mostly occurring on Tuesday and Friday anytime between 12:00 PM and 2:00 AM. Possible suspect information indicates involvement of two black males, ages 16-20, riding bicycles. Therefore, we ask that if you see suspects matching this description or anyone suspicious in your area that you contact 911 and have an officer to respond and identify these individuals.



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| Suspect                 | Address         | Crime                         | Crime Location        |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Michelle B. Darling     | Pine Valley Dr. | Interfere with Emergency Comm | Pine Valley Dr.       |
| Christopher A. Marchese | Park Ave.       | Breaking & Entering           | Park Ave.             |
| John F. Kelliher        | Greenville Ave. | B&E Auto                      | White Ave./Solera Rd. |
| Jordan L. Faulk         | Devonshire Ln.  | Property Damage/Wade Park     | Bethel Rd.            |
| David. H. Pridgen       | Seabreeze Blvd. | Property Damage/Wade Park     | Bethel Rd.            |
| Marianna J. Rozanski    | Buffington Pl.  | Property Damage/Wade Park     | Bethel Rd.            |

Remember you can now receive important traffic alerts and other notifications by following WPD on <http://twitter.com/WilmingtonPD>. Join today!

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