22 February, 2011

City of Hamilton
71 Main Street West
Hamilton, ON
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Mayor and Members of Council:

Re: Hamilton Police Service Monthly Reports (PSB 11-021)

Attached for your information and attention, please find copies of the Hamilton Police Service Monthly Reports. These reports highlight the following:

- Victim Services Receives $10,000 Federal Grant
- Officer Perry Mason Receives Bud Knight Award
- Off-Duty Officer
- I.O.D.E. Police Community Relations Award Winner

If you have any questions or concerns that may arise from the reports please do not hesitate to contact myself or our office at the number below.

Sincerely,

Nancy DiGregorio
Chair
Hamilton Police Services Board

Attachments

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HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD
- RECOMMENDATION -

DATE: 2011 February 22
REPORT TO: Chair and Members
           Hamilton Police Services Board
FROM: Glenn De Caire
      Chief of Police
SUBJECT: Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report
         (PSB 11-021)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board direct the Administrator of the Board to refer this report, in its entirety,
to the City of Hamilton, for information.

Glenn De Caire
Chief of Police

FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

FINANCIAL – n/a
STAFFING – n/a
LEGAL – n/a
BACKGROUND:

Victim Services Receives $10,000.00 Federal Grant
For a second consecutive year, the Victim Services Branch was successful in its $10,000.00 grant application to honour victims of crime during the 6th Annual National Victim of Crime Awareness Week in April.

The theme this year is "Many Voices, Many Paths" and our focus will be to host a series of community workshops on working with victims across the age span e.g. children, youth, seniors. Plans are underway to open the week with a free community breakfast and a community information fair at Central Police.

Officer Perry Mason Receives Bud Knight Award
Every year, the Committee of Youth Officers of Ontario (COYO) accepts nominations for the annual Bud Knight Award. Bud Knight is a retired OPC instructor. He was instrumental in establishing a youth officers training course at OPC and also in creating the COYO committee in the province of Ontario. The award is presented to an Ontario Police Officer who has shown interest, commitment and dedication above and beyond the call of duty to youth. The officer’s exemplary youth service delivery can be related to on-duty responsibilities or to community volunteer work.

This year we are pleased to announce that Constable Perry Mason has been selected to receive this prestigious award. Perry has been a leader, not just within our Service but our community, both in the area of Restorative Justice and Bullying Prevention. Perry has facilitated well over 130 restorative justice circles both in schools and in the community. He has also delivered his Anti-Bullying presentation to hundreds of community and school groups. Perry’s work, both on-duty and off-duty has touched countless youth in a positive way.

Perry will receive the Bud Knight Award at the Annual COYO Conference on February 24th 2011. Congratulations Perry.

Off-Duty Officer
The following email was sent on January 26, 2011 from a citizen who was helped by an off-duty Hamilton Police officer:

"January 26, 2011  This evening I was jogging on Hamilton mountain and was struck by a vehicle. I was aided by a motorist who stopped to help. Fortunately for me, he was an off-duty Hamilton police officer. His name is Rod Allison. He immediately took control of the situation – made sure I was okay. Went to his vehicle and got two blankets to comfort me while I was lying on the ground. He
even offered twice to give me his jacket. I feel he went over and above his duty. I truly appreciate all the help and comfort he gave me. It is people like Rod Allison who make me appreciate and respect the Hamilton police force”.

I.O.D.E. Police Community Relations Award Winner
Detective Constable Peter Wiesner is the recipient of the 2010 I.O.D.E. Police Community Relations Award.

Each year, the I.O.D.E. (Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire) recognizes a full-time member of the Hamilton Police Service who devotes some of their off-duty hours to volunteer work in the community. The I.O.D.E. is a Canadian women's charitable organization whose mission is to improve the quality of life for children, youth and those in need through educational, social services and citizenship programs. As the successful candidate, Peter will be invited to a luncheon at the Scottish Rite on March 19, 2011, at which time he will be presented with a cheque in the amount of $500.00. This cheque, on his behalf, will then be given to a charity of his choice. As further recognition of this award, Pete's name will be added to a plaque as he joins past recipients from within the police service.

Peter has been volunteering his time in support of several different community agencies since 1993. He currently devotes upwards to 500 hours per year of his own time. Since 2006, Pete has been actively involved in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation ("J.D.R.F.") raising funds and awareness in the hope of some day finding a cure for the disease.

On May 12, 2011, as part of his dedication and community support, Peter, along with Officers Jim Callender and Nesreen Shawihat, will be riding their bicycles across Canada in an event dubbed the "Tour of Triumph." As they bike through the provinces, major fundraising events have been planned with other police services. The goal is to raise $100,000.00 for juvenile diabetes research.

Upcoming

Week of April 10: International Emergency Communicators Week
National Victims of Crime Awareness Week

Week of May 15: Police Week

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