



DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

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The following is a summary of reported incidents involving licensed businesses, including reported tavern violations and calls for police service during the month of November and one incident from October 26.

Incident reports:

Case # 12-009527, 10/26/2012, at 2226 hrs – Burnham Bowl, 6016 W. Burnham St.

On 10/26/2012, at 2226 hrs, Officers responded to Burnham Bowl, 6016 W. Burnham St. regarding a large fight on the parking lot. Upon officers arrival there were approximately 12 individuals actively fighting and many more watching. Officers' investigation revealed that a fight between two individuals initiated inside the bar, which led management to force numerous parties outside the building and onto the parking lot, where additional altercations broke out.

It is not clear from the police report how our department was notified of the large fight; however, Lt. Nohelty who was in the station when the call came in and sent squads from both 2nd and 3rd shifts to assist with this chaotic incident. It does not appear any arrests were made at this point due to lack of cooperation from the individuals involved.

Case # 12-010343, 11/24/2012, at approx. 2200 hrs – Big Dog Sports Grill, 9427 W. Greenfield Ave

On 11/24/2012, at 2200 hrs, our department received a call from a neighbor of Big Dog Sports Grill, 9427 W. Greenfield Ave. The complainant said the music coming from the band playing

at the bar was too loud. This individual making the complaint said he made numerous complaints against the bar for its loud music, but nothing has been done.

Sgt. Clementi investigated this complaint and drove through the alley directly behind the bar; he indicated in his report that the music did not appear to be unreasonable, but based on the complainants statement and willingness to testify he was going to issue the owner of the Big Dog Sports Grill a citation for Disorderly Conduct.

I know Alderman Barczak and May have been working with the bar and the complainant in effort to resolve this matter, which included decibel readings at the bar when the music is playing. However, the matter has not been resolved.

In addition, I had Officer Nelson canvass the neighborhood around the bar to see if other residents have been negatively impacted by the music coming from the bar. He spoke with 9 neighbors and none of them had issues with the music coming from the bar. Officer Nelson is working on scheduling a mediation meeting with the bar owner and the complainant to resolve their issues. It appears both sides were receptive to mediation.

Case # 12-010482, 11/28/2012, at approx. 2331hrs – Drunken Duck, 5906 W. Burnham St; Fiddler’s Green, 6108 W. Burnham St; Calanan’s Parkway Pub, 11505 W. National Ave.

Recently, ACA Jenna Merten was asked by a tavern owner to see whether he could host poker nights at his bar. I did some research and discovered that he couldn’t because it would be gambling. When I called him back, the bar owner told me that there are at least 2 leagues in operation in Wisconsin hosting these types of poker tournaments: Pit Bull Poker and Badger Poker. Upon looking at their websites, I saw that some West Allis bars were hosting these tournaments: The Drunken Duck, Fiddler’s, and possibly Callanan’s.

Accordingly, I am requesting that someone from the PD investigate these allegations and notify the taverns that they can no longer continue these types of tournaments. I spoke with the village attorney of Menomonee Falls (see below) and MFPD is also doing this same kind of investigation. I have also notified the Milwaukee city attorney office, but have not heard back from them yet.

Any questions please let me know. The investigation should be recorded in a report and sent to the License and Health Committee when completed.

Thanks,
Jenna

Det. Eric Sturino spoke with the owners of the aforementioned taverns and apprised them of ACA Merten’s findings. Det. Sturino advised the owner’s that he was sharing this information for their knowledge and to serve as a warning that poker tournament are illegal. Det. Sturino filed report # 12-10482 (attached).

Lt. Evenson and I are also planning on disseminating this information to other taverns located in our city.

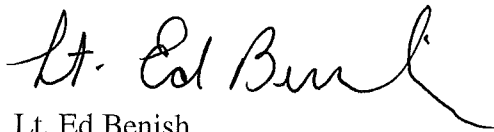
Tobacco and Alcohol Compliance checks:

- No tobacco compliance checks were conducted during this reporting period.
- No alcohol compliance checks were conducted during this reporting period.

Violation of Wisconsin Clean Air Act Smoking Ban:

- No violations reported during this reporting period.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lt. Ed Benish". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the letter "h".

Lt. Ed Benish