



#### 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 June.

### **Incident reports:**

## Case #15-23304, 05/31/2015, 1118 hrs: 11904 W Greenfield Av. - Brass Monkey

On 05/31/2015, an Officer conducted a tavern check at Brass Monkey that resulted in a bartender being cited for operating a license premise without a licensed person. The agent was mailed a municipal citation.

### Call #15-23997, 06/04/2015, 2050 hrs: 6300 W. Lincoln Av. - Johnny Hammers

On 06-04-15 at 2050hrs, officers responded to Jonny Hammer's, 6300 W. Lincoln Ave. for a 911 hang-up. The female caller indicated she was inside of the bar and that her nephew had been assaulted. The caller was unable to be reached, or identified. On arrival, Officers entered the bar and was immediately blocked by the owner, Marie R. Cervantes, F/W 03-15-61. Cervantes asked officers to leave the inside of the bar, stating she would speak to us outside, because our presence inside of the bar disturbs her customers. Cervantes was spoken to outside and advised of the complaint. Cervantes admitted to being aware of the physical altercation that took place inside of her bar. She stated a Hispanic male in his 30's, approx. 6'00", average build was acting overly intoxicated (possibly on drugs), so she asked him and his girlfriend to leave. Cervantes stated her cook (off-duty) got involved, asking the pair to leave the bar. The Hispanic male punched the cook and a brief altercation occurred. The Hispanic male and female left the bar. Cervantes stated the male began punching numerous parked cars near the bar, as he walked north on S. 63 St, screaming and being disorderly. Cervantes did not know who called 911 about this altercation, but advised she never contacted the police. I asked to speak with the cook, as I wanted to make sure he was not injured. Cervantes stated his first name was Richard, but was

unsure of his last name. I asked if she could reference her employee roster, so that I could obtain Richard's complete information and call him. Cervantes told me that she does not know any of Richard's information and does not keep that information at the bar. Cervantes also stated his phone number was not in her cell phone. Overall, Cervantes was uncooperative with the investigation and very blasé about the altercation that took place in her bar. Cervantes did not allow officers to speak with her inside of the bar, nor did she report the physical fight, and she claimed to not keep an employee roster accessible at the bar. Cervantes was advised of these violations, which again did not seem to cause her concern.

### Case #15-24456, 06/08/2015, 0108 hrs: 6201 W. Mitchell St - The Hideout

On 06/08/2015, Officers responded to the Hideout for a report of an individual striking another individual with a baseball bat. The victim was standing outside smoking a cigarette when a known offender arrived in a car. The Offender exited the car with a baseball bat and struck the victim with the baseball bat 4-5 times in the abdomen, ribcage and back. The victim was transported to Froedtert. The Offender was located a short time later and was arrested for Battery/Use of a Dangerous Weapon.

### Call#15-25446, 06/14/2015, 0033 hrs: 6000 W. Mitchell St - Buzzard's Nest

Officers responded to an anonymous complaint of loud music and people inside the tavern. The bartender was advised of the complaint and turned down the music. He also closed the door. His personal bartending license 16-225 and the tavern license 14-1965 were found to be current. No further complaints the rest of the night.

## Case #15-26639, 06/21/2015, 0037 hrs: 6500 W. Greenfield Av - 6500 Bar

Officers smelled the strong odor of burning marijuana emanating from the outdoor patio area of the 6500 Bar. A male party was observed finishing smoking a marijuana joint. Due to the very small amount of substance and evidence he was given a verbal warning for possession of THC. There was no security in the outdoor patio area at the time. Security was informed of the incident and a tavern report was completed. Two other females were sitting directly next to the male at a picnic table, both were argumentative, denying any knowledge of anyone smoking marijuana and accused officers of harassment.

### Call #15-26946, 06/22/2015, 2312 hrs: 837 S. 108 St – Kip's Inn

On 06/22/2015, Officers responded to Kip's Inn for a suspicious activity of a male who was passed out in the parking lot of the business. Investigation revealed the male was highly intoxicated and was told to go outside to sleep it off by the bartender. The male was outside for an hour and a half until the bartender became concerned for his safety and called 911.

### Case #15-27159, 06/24/2015, 1125 hrs: 2079 S. 69 St - The Corner Spot

On 06/22/2015, the West Allis Special Investigations Unit & Detective Bureau, Wisconsin Department of Health Service, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (Office of Criminal

Investigations), Wisconsin Department of Revenue (Criminal Investigation Section Alcohol & Tobacco) conducted pre-arranged sale of 60 cases of baby formula to The Corner Spot, along with conducting two search warrants. Arrests were made and charges are pending. (Report is not complete and therefore, not included.)

#### **Tobacco and Alcohol Compliance checks:**

Case #15-24568, 06/08/2015, 2031 hrs: 7527 W. Becher St – Flappers Tavern 8423 W. Greenfield Av – O'Connor's Perfect Pint 903 S. 84 St – Town Beer and Liquor

On 06/08/2015, Officers conducted eight tavern checks at randomly selected West Allis businesses that have a license to serve alcohol beverages. The check was completed through the use of a 19 year old male who entered each tavern and attempted to purchase a beer without providing identification. Out of the eight businesses, fives asked for identification and would not provide the beverage without it. Employees from the three taverns that did not require identification were issued citations through the mail. The owners from the three businesses were issued citations as well.

### Case #15-27524, 06/26/2015, 1517hrs: All compliant

On 06/26/2015, an Officer conducted an alcohol compliance check at 13 randomly selected West Allis businesses that have a license to sell alcohol. The check was completed through the use of a 20 year old female who attempted to purchase a six pack of Miller Lite beer. All of the 13 businesses requested identification from the 20 year old female and did not complete the sale.

Case #15-27875, 06/28/2015, 1500 hrs: 1112 S. 108 St – Mini Mart 2203 S. 108 St – Quick Pick Food Mart 8323 W. Becher St – Jasleen Citgo 9111 W. National Av – Speedway

On 06/28/2015, an Officer conducted a tobacco compliance check at 14 randomly selected West Allis businesses that have a license to sell tobacco. The check was completed through the use of a 17 year old female who attempted to purchase a pack of Newport Cigarettes. Out of the 14 businesses, 10 asked for identification and would not complete the sale without it. Four of the businesses completed the sale and allowed the 17 year old female to purchase a pack of cigarettes without identification. Employees from the businesses who completed the sale without identification were issued municipal citations for selling Tobacco Products to Minors. Owners from all four businesses were also issued citations through the mal.

# Violation of Wisconsin Clean Air Act Smoking Ban:

• No violations reported during this reporting period.

Respectfully submitted,

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