

# HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

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16 January 2011

City of Hamilton 71 Main Street West Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

Mayor and Members of Council:

# Re: Hamilton Police Service Monthly Reports (PSB 11-123 & PSB 12-006)

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

- Grateful Mom thanks Officer for Saving Baby
- Movember
- HPS Helps Area Food Banks
- Hamilton Police Issue Tickets in RIDE Lanes
- A Grateful Father Responds
- New Hires Event
- Hamilton Police RIDE Lane Results for 2011

If you 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.

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Nancy DiGregorio
Chair
Hamilton Police Services Board

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# HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

## - INFORMATION -

DATE:

2011 December 19

REPORT TO:

Chair and Members

Hamilton Police Services Board

FROM:

Glenn De Caire

Chief of Police

SUBJECT:

Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report

(PSB 11-123)

### **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:

# Grateful Mom thanks Officer for Saving Baby

In late October, 2011, Hamilton Police received a 911 call about a four-week old baby gasping for breath and becoming unconscious. HPS was first on the scene and Division Three Officer Jack Vanderpol took control of the situation.

Officer Vanderpol was able to revive the baby. Paramedics attended and after a lengthy examination of the child, determined the child should stay at home with mom. The grateful mom sent along the following e-mail:

I just wanted to express to you my sincere thanks and appreciation for the assistance that Officer Vanderpol gave my family last Friday night. We made a 911 call on Friday last as my 5 week old son was choking on his feed and I felt he was having difficulty breathing. Officer Vanderpol was the first emergency personnel to respond at my home in less than two minutes. He ran immediately upstairs and went into "take charge" mode and provided the necessary assistance that resulted in a good outcome for my son. Shortly after his arrival, EMS and Fire followed.

I would just like to say that Officer Vanderpol was extremely calm and reassuring to us during this very stressful event. He treated us with such respect and compassion that I felt the need to just let you know how grateful we are to have such dedicated and professional public servants such as Officer Vanderpol working for us in our communities.

Officer Vandepol stayed with us until all the other emergency personnel left and since then has stayed in contact with us to make sure that our son is still doing well. He even stopped by on Saturday to drop off a gift for the baby.

I am so appreciative of all his efforts to assist our family and I would just like to ensure that you know that. Such effort is not unnoticed and Officer Vanderpol should be given the recognition that he is due.

#### Movember

During the month of November, over 30 Hamilton Police members grew moustaches to support the Movember movement. For the entire month, members received pledges and a "Shave Off Gala" was held on December 1st. The combined contribution from the pledges and Shave Off was an impressive \$4,180.00, which has been donated to Prostate Cancer Research.

## **HPS Helps Area Food Banks**

East End 'A' Squad held their  $7^{th}$  Annual Food Drive for the Stoney Creek Food Bank on Saturday, December  $10^{th}$ . From 11:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. officers filled a police wagon with food donations and held a fundraising barbecue.

Each Hamilton Police Station is a depot for the annual city-wide Food Share Drive and Service members and citizens have made numerous donations.

#### Hamilton Police Issue Tickets in RIDE Lanes

It is one of the few crimes that is 100% preventable. It is impaired driving and the Hamilton Police Service will be increasing its number of RIDE Lanes for the holiday season in its ongoing attempt to increase safety on our roads. So far, in 2011, there have been over 126,000 cars pulled over in RIDE Lanes, which are conducted throughout the city. Hamilton Police have made 750 alcohol related arrests and, sadly, there have been two (2) fatal collisions where alcohol was a factor.

The Service has partnered with the Hamilton Bulldogs Hockey Club and is handing out vouchers for Bulldog tickets at its RIDE lanes.

GD/C. Martin

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DATE:

2012 January 16

REPORT TO:

Chair and Members

Hamilton Police Services Board

FROM:

Glenn De Caire

Chief of Police

SUBJECT:

Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report

(PSB 12-006)

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Glenn De Caire Chief of Police

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FINANCIAL -

n/a

STAFFING -

n/a

LEGAL -

n/a

#### BACKGROUND:

A Grateful Father Responds

The following e-mail was received by Hamilton Police Service from a grateful father, on the safe return of his missing son.

"I would like to commend one of your officers for a service my wife, my son and myself received last night.

The name of this great man is Officer Kasturi. I reported my son missing dialing 911 last night since we had not heard from him for over 24 hours and it is not like him not to call. He was not in school all of yesterday and after talking to friends and not knowing where he was got horribly worried and thought of the worse...Did he accept to meet someone he met on the web... is he in trouble...last night was one of the most difficult of our life until officer Kasturi came into our house. He calmed us down, his experience dealing with emotional situations was not ordinary. Quickly we felt that we were in good hands and that the best attention was brought towards our desperate situation; finding our son.

And he did, answered his call, he was with new friends and did not realize how hurt his parents were...Anyhow, officer Kasturi was with us for a few hours and got our son to call us and on top of this, gave us advice to handle this situation with our 17-year-old and took the time to inform and advise us for the future.

Our son is home tonight and he is safe. We sure hope that we will not have to live another situation like this...but it is important for you to know that we feel so privileged living in this area knowing that officers like Mr. Kasturi are around to protect but also care for our family. Please let him know that my wife and I are thankful and please let everybody you feel appropriate know how important it is for us and our society to count on police officers like Mr. Kasturi. Please accept our sincere appreciation for your work since we understand you are responsible for his squad".

#### **New Hires Event**

On January 12, the Service held an event to welcome new hires and recognize promotions. Over 400 members, family and friends attended. There were 27 new members welcomed to the Service: 13 sworn and 14 civilian. In addition, the promotion of 23 members was recognized.

The evening also included a special presentation. The Service has on display at Central Police Station a Roll of Honour that lists members of Hamilton Police who served in World War II and Korea. There are 22 retired Hamilton Police members surviving who are on the list and they were presented with a special replica of this Roll.

#### **Hamilton Police RIDE Lane Results for 2011**

It was a record. In 2011, Hamilton Police stopped 167,766 vehicles in its RIDE lanes. The previous best one-year total was 152,333 in 2009.

In the month of December alone, there were 40,264 vehicles pulled over for RIDE. Again, this was a new record, surpassing December of 2009's total of 29,000.

Some other Impaired Driving Statistics for 2011(2010):

- 363 (336) Impaired charges
- 400 (358) Over 80 mg charges
- 14 (7) Impaired by Drug charges
- 180 (153) Operation Lookout arrests
- 4 (1) Impaired cause Death charges

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