



4th DIVISION NEWSLETTER

October 2010



Fourth Division Advisory Board Christmas Project for Shelby Elementary

Each Christmas, the Fourth Division Advisory Board reaches out to a needy elementary school to provide the students with a special Christmas gift. The school selected this year is Shelby Elementary, located at 735 Ziegler Street. Each year, the Advisory Board gives the students a uniform polo shirt with the school mascot, a water bottle and Christmas candy. This year students will also receive a backpack. Additionally, the Fourth Division Advisory Board will be giving the students an end of semester party before they go home for Christmas. Students will be entertained by Philip & Henry Amazing Magicians. The board members, officers and volunteers will visit each class and deliver snacks and gifts. Santa will make the day extra special with his early visit.

This year the Fourth Division Advisory Board has partnered with Deputy Sheriff's Lodge 25 FOP in the primary fundraiser for this event. They are raffling off footballs and basketballs autographed by the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville coaches.

If you would like to help in any way, please contact the Fourth Division at 574-7010 and ask to speak with a District Resource Officer.

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Significant Activity

On **October 2**, officers observed a subject coming out of a broken window of a closed business in the 3100 block of South Second Street. The subject was attempting to take three bottles of tequila and receipts from a restaurant. The subject was taken into custody by Sergeant Kaufling.

On **October 2**, Fourth Division officers responded to the 200 block of West Hill Street on shots fired. Several officers were in the area and heard the shots fired. Once officers were on the scene, they found evidence that a shotgun had been fired and two victims reported being shot at, but not hit. Officers were able to determine that the suspect had fired the shotgun and hid the weapon in an apartment. Detective Joey Davis secured a search warrant for the location. The search revealed a pistol grip, pump action shotgun hidden in the kitchen. Suspect arrested on charges of WE 1st (2 counts).

On **October 6**, officers responded to the 3900 block of South Fifth Street on a break-in, in progress. The homeowner had the suspect cornered in the basement with a baseball bat. The subject was taken into custody without incident. An employee at a local business in the area also identified the subject as someone who had stolen the tip jar money earlier that evening. Subject was arrested.

On **October 14**, the Fourth Division Impact Unit conducted a search warrant in the 700 block of Camp Street. Officers found numerous pills and marijuana, a little powdered cocaine and numerous tools that were confiscated as proceeds from drug transactions. Detective Boone will be following up on these tools to ascertain if they are stolen or not. According to a confidential informant, the subject of the warrant takes in any stolen items as currency for narcotics. Three subjects were arrested.

Officer of the Month September Officer Shelby Sears

Officer Shelby Sears is a proactive officer that is always going the extra mile to get the job done. He is very engaged with his duties and beat assignments and is never afraid to put himself in harm's way to protect the public. On September 17, Officer Sears responded to a robbery of an individual that was in progress. He approached the rear of the location and heard the victim being beaten. Sears saw the suspect leaving the scene with blood on his hands. Officer Sears ordered the suspect to drop an object in his right hand. The suspect threw the object and started to approach him. Officer Sears immediately took the suspect into custody and recovered the item, a .380 auto pistol, which he had used in the commission of the robbery. The victim suffered extreme trauma to the head, was unresponsive and unable to move. The suspect had pistol whipped him repeatedly and took his money. Officer Sears should be commended for his quick actions and responsiveness. Due to his quick arrival on the scene, he may have prevented a serious assault and robbery from turning into something far worse. His assertive handling of the suspect, who had a loaded pistol and an obvious disposition for violence, turned a potential deadly force encounter into a manageable situation.

Halloween Safety

- **Plan costumes that are bright and reflective.**
- **Consider adding reflective tape or striping to costumes and trick-or-treat bags for greater visibility.**
- **Because a mask can limit or block eyesight, consider non-toxic and hypoallergenic makeup or a decorative hat as a safe alternative.**
- **Obtain flashlights with fresh batteries for all children and their escorts.**
- **Teach children their home phone number and how to call 9-1-1 if they have an emergency or become lost.**

