



## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT

**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council  
**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police  
**DATE:** January 06, 2009

| December 11, 2008 – December 24, 2008 |      |                  |    |
|---------------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service                     | 1221 | Parking Summons  | 9  |
| Case Reports                          | 63   | Impounds         | 7  |
| Traffic Summons                       | 27   | Adult Arrests    | 24 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons               | 8    | Juvenile Arrests | 5  |

### FORT MORGAN "PUFFERS" – UNATTENDED RUNNING VEHICLES

This is the time of year I notice that many citizens leave their vehicles running and unattended to "warm them up" before driving them, which can lead to an increase in the number of motor vehicle thefts. The Fort Morgan Police Department warns motorists that leaving a vehicle unsecured while it is unattended, running or not, violates city traffic code. You could be fined for failure to remove your keys from a running vehicle. The fine is \$40 under the Fort Morgan Model Traffic Code Section 1206.

Officers can opt to write a ticket rather than issue a warning, but more departments are writing tickets as thieves are looking for "unattended running vehicles" to steal. Don't give any thief the perfect opportunity to steal a vehicle.

If you have a tip on a crime or information that will assist in solving a crime call the Fort Morgan Police Department at 970-867-5678.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE

- The Fort Morgan Police Department provided law enforcement protection for the Town of Log Lane Village on December 25<sup>th</sup> and December 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Provided police security for a weekend night event at La Cascada Dos Restaurant.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

- Mayor Jack Darnell and police administrative staff met with representatives of the Morgan Humane Society to discuss their 2008 achievements and 2009 goals. The Fort Morgan Animal Shelter and the Morgan Humane Society has had a partnership offering spaying, neutering and assistance in locating new pets for adoptions.
- Administrative staff is preparing the 2008 Fort Morgan Police Department Annual Report and public awards recognition to be held at the council meeting on February 03, 2008.
- Staff attended the following meetings and events: Northeastern Colorado District Attorneys Meeting • Northeast Drug Task Force Meeting • Lions Club • SARRT meeting • Morgan Floral Open House • B-106 Morning Talks • City Management Meeting • FMPD Supervisor's Meeting • One Morgan County • IT Governance Meeting • After Action Presentation – Active Shooter Exercise

# FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police 

**DATE:** January 20, 2009

| December 25 2008 – January 14, 2009<br>(3 week reporting period) |      |                  |    |
|--|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service  | 1674 | Parking Summons  | 21 |
| Case Reports   | 88   | Impounds         | 2  |
| Traffic Summons  | 60   | Adult Arrests    | 68 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons  | 40   | Juvenile Arrests | 8  |

## CRIME OF THE WEEK

Recently there have been some specific incidents of underage possession and/or use of alcohol. Parents, teenagers, and adults under the age of 21 need to be aware of the potential ramifications when the choice is made to consume or possess alcohol. The law regarding underage consumption or possession of alcohol states that any person under twenty one years of age who possesses or consumes ethyl alcohol has committed this crime. Possession of alcohol is defined as a person that has ethyl alcohol within his immediate presence and control. This crime is punishable by a fine and the person could lose their drivers license for a period of up to one year. If you have questions regarding this law or if you have a tip on a crime or information that will assist in solving a crime, call the Fort Morgan Police Department at 970-867-5678.

## COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- January 12<sup>th</sup>-CRO Roger Doll presented a Senior Safety and Self Defense class for 15 seniors at the Senior Center. RAD (Rape Aggression Defense) techniques were used in the presentation. This event was covered in the Fort Morgan Times on the Front Page.
- January 13<sup>th</sup>- CRO Roger Doll gave a presentation to the Fort Morgan Rotary Club and shared information on several programs that the FMPD has including the Newsletter, Citizen Academy and RAD.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- The Fort Morgan Police Department has 5 officers attending P.O.S.T. sponsored Police Supervisor Training in Brush, CO from January 19<sup>th</sup> through the 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Detectives Steve Brown and Steve Vosburg attended a 2 hour class on SIDS(Sudden Infant Death Syndrome) on January 14<sup>th</sup> and the Morgan County Department of Human Services.
- Chief Kuretich attended the 2009 Colorado Police Chiefs Mid-Year Conference January 7th-9th. Conference discussion centered around updates from other state agencies, P.O.S.T., Cold Cases, CBI ID Theft, and the Law Enforcement Memorial. General Sessions topics were *Technology Symposium* and *Profiles of Police Impersonators*.
- Chief Kuretich and Lieutenants Sagel and Crone attended a one-day workshop in setting up a Red Cross Emergency Shelter. We also signed up as Red Cross Disaster volunteers for this region.
- Police administrative staff participated in a complimentary web seminar presented by Maritz; Keeping Up in a Down Economy: Creating a Culture of Recognition.

## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

Administrative Staff have been involved with the following city projects: *Circle Drive Project and Public Transit System*. Staff attended the following meetings and events: Northeastern Colorado Peace Officers Association Dinner/Meeting • Lions Club • January Supervisors Meeting • SARA USDA Rural Development ceremonial presentation for the Community Facility Grant to S.A.R.A., Inc. • City Management Meeting • One Morgan County's Coffee & Culture • Fall Harvest Car Show Committee • Rainbow River Festival Committee

**MONTH END REPORT  
DECEMBER 2008**

**Fort Morgan Police Department  
Month End Report - December, 2008**

| Monthly Activity  |         |                   |                 |                          |                 |
|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Calls For Service | Arrests | Traffic Summonses | Other Summonses | Overtime Parking Tickets | Offense Reports |
| 2369              | 82      | 75                | 41              | 15                       | 173             |

| Warnings          |                  |         |                         |                            |            |
|-------------------|------------------|---------|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------|
| Animal Violations | Traffic Contacts | Parking | Snow Removal Violations | Local Ordinance Violations | Other      |
| 14                | 167              | 26      | 100                     | 48                         | 55         |
|                   |                  |         |                         | <b>Total</b>               | <b>410</b> |

| Alarms Responded To |             |                |              |        |         |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|--------|---------|
| Reason -            | Malfunction | Employee Error | Valid Alarms | Other  | Unknown |
|                     | 1           | 5              | 1            | 1      | 6       |
| Type                | Audible     | Silent         | Burglar      | Motion | Other   |
| <b>Total: 14</b>    | 2           | 6              | 2            | 2      | 2       |

| Animal Shelter             |         |          |             |          |           |
|----------------------------|---------|----------|-------------|----------|-----------|
|                            | Adopted | Released | Transferred | Disposed | Remaining |
| FMPD                       | 12      | 19       | 1           |          | 10        |
| Sheriff's Office           | 11      | 5        |             | 3        | 3         |
| Log Lane                   |         | 1        |             |          |           |
| <b>Total Impounded: 65</b> |         |          |             |          |           |

| Hours of Duty  |          |          |                        |                     |              |
|----------------|----------|----------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Administrative | Patrol   | Court    | Accident Investigation | Other Investigation | Other Duties |
| 112            | 1890.75  | 26.25    | 10.25                  | 815.75              | 386.25       |
| Overtime       | Training | Clerical | Miles Driven           |                     |              |
| 98.62          | 24.5     | 516.5    | 9396                   |                     |              |

| Police Department Collections |         |               |                   |          |             |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------------|-------------------|----------|-------------|
| Parking                       | Bicycle | Photocopies   | Animal Shelter    | DUI      | Restitution |
| \$555.00                      | \$1.00  | 124.75        | \$575.00          | \$241.50 | \$602.19    |
| Other                         | \$38.00 | <b>Total:</b> | <b>\$2,137.44</b> |          |             |

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** February 3, 2009

| January 15, 2009 – January 28, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|-------------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service                   | 1208 | Parking Summons  | 28 |
| Case Reports                        | 76   | Impounds         | 2  |
| Traffic Summons                     | 40   | Adult Arrests    | 33 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons             | 27   | Juvenile Arrests | 9  |

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The police department announces the hiring of Officer Ted Thyne who fills one of two vacant positions. Officer Thyne was recently with Morgan County Sheriff's Department and began his law enforcement career in 1999 with the Phillips County Sheriff's Office.

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

#### Take Charge: Fighting Back Against Identity Theft

In the course of a busy day, you may write a check at the grocery store, charge tickets to a ball game; rent a car, mail your tax returns, change service providers for your cell phone, or apply for a credit card. Chances are you don't give these everyday transactions a second thought. But an identity thief does.

Identity theft is a serious crime. People whose identities have been stolen can spend months or years and thousands of dollars cleaning up the mess thieves have made of a good name and credit record. In the meantime, victims of identity theft may lose job opportunities, be refused loans for education, housing, cars, and even get arrested for crimes they didn't commit. Humiliation, anger, and frustration are among the feelings victims experience as they navigate the process of rescuing their identity.

The Fort Morgan Police Department in previous months has arrested several individuals who have assumed fictitious identities and possessed false immigration documents. The identities that were assumed by these individuals are usually real people and legal residents of the United States.

You can help safeguard your identity from theft by: keeping your personal documents in a safe location, sharing limited information, understand your legal rights, knowing what steps to take and how to handle specific problems you may encounter on the way to clearing your name, and what to watch for in the future. To find out more contact the police department at 970-867-5678.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- Detective Todd Zwetzig gave an informative presentation at the "So You Think You Know Chamber Luncheon" on Robbery and Theft.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Administration attended a presentation on a new internet-based program called Coplink. This new program was used during the case against the Washington-area sniper suspects in which this system helped trace their movements across the country. It allows the sharing of intelligence with police department's nation wide to establish links quickly among their own files and to those of other departments. Funding alternatives are being researched in order to establish this program for law enforcement agencies in Eastern Colorado.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

Administrative Staff have been involved with the following city projects: Wiggins Water Purchase Discussions • Proposed Golf Course Concessions RFP Review • Public Transit Bus Stop Review.

Staff attended the following meetings and events: • Lions Club • Morgan County Family Preservation Commission • City Management Meeting • Fort Morgan Area Chamber Luncheon • Adult Protection Team • Hillcrest Neighborhood Watch meeting.

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** February 17, 2009

| January 29, 2009 – February 11, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|--------------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service                    | 1430 | Parking Summons  | 38 |
| Case Reports                         | 68   | Impounds         | 3  |
| Traffic Summons                      | 80   | Adult Arrests    | 24 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons              | 22   | Juvenile Arrests | 3  |

### ANNOUNCEMENT

February 11<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup> is the *Click it or Ticket* campaign. The goal of this statewide enforcement campaign is to increase seat belt use and save lives on our highways and roads. The police department received a mini grant to cover approximately \$900 in salaries for additional enforcement of seat belt usage during this statewide campaign. In 2008, 389 drivers and passengers died on Colorado highways and 206 (53%) of them weren't buckled up. Teens are particularly at risk. Last year, nearly 62 percent of teens killed in traffic crashes were not wearing seat belts.

### CRIME OF THE WEEK Animal Neglect/Animal Cruelty

Animal cruelty generally occurs as direct violence or neglect. All 50 states have animal cruelty laws, and Colorado has laws that contain provisions making certain types of cruelty a felony offense. Recently, the Fort Morgan Police Department has responded to several cases of animal neglect or cruelty. The most common type of animal cruelty has been neglect or abandonment - that is, people not providing adequate care for animals in their charge. These types of cases often involve situations where an animal is left without food, water or shelter, or when proper veterinary care was not obtained. In many of these cases, the underlying reason can sometimes be explained by the caretaker's ignorance. This is why many animal control officers and law enforcement officers will first attempt to educate the neglectful caretaker, rather than immediately citing them or arresting them.

The Fort Morgan Police Department investigates these violations and those convicted of animal cruelty may face fines, imprisonment, or both. If you observe or suspect the mistreatment of an animal, please contact the Fort Morgan Police Department at 867-5678.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- The city electrical department has completed the street lighting installation on east Railroad and south Barlow Road. These improvements will allow better visibility and safety of motorist and pedestrians on the roads during the nighttime. Improvements along Gateway Avenue will soon be completed with signage warning motorist of impending curves.
- Officer Roger Doll met with citizen academy alumni Bob Clendenning regarding Citizen on Patrol programs he has been involved with.
- About 6 Tiger Cub Scouts toured the department as part of the requirements for obtaining a merit badge. Sergeant Loren Sharp assisted by giving the tour and discussing what it takes to become a police officer.
- On February 11<sup>th</sup>, Officer Roger Doll met with employees at the Bank of Colorado and gave a presentation on robbery. As part of the presentation, Officer Doll reviewed their procedure with them on what to do in the event of a robbery.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Police personnel have attended recertification this month in CPR and Basic First Aid.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

Staff has been involved with the following city projects: Wiggins Water Purchase Discussions • Proposed Golf Course Concessions RFP Review • Public Transit Bus Stop Review • Ehrlick Toyota Incentive Package Review • Downtown Main Street Open House • Review of Workman Comp Cases with Pinnacol Insurance Representatives. Staff attended the following meetings and events: • Lions Club • Rainbow River Festival Committee • B106 Talk Show • Fort Morgan Area Chamber Board Meeting • Community FORT • Fall Harvest Car Show • Hillcrest Neighborhood Watch meeting.

**Fort Morgan Police Department  
Month End Report - January, 2009**

| Monthly Activity  |         |                   |                 |                          |                 |
|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Calls For Service | Arrests | Traffic Summonses | Other Summonses | Overtime Parking Tickets | Offense Reports |
| 2714              | 105     | 95                | 62              | 56                       | 179             |

| Oral/Written Warnings              |                  |                    |                  |                      |                |
|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Animal Violations                  | Traffic Contacts | Parking Violations | Abandon Vehicles | Ordinance Violations | Other warnings |
| 24                                 | 227              | 67                 | 20               | 35                   | 63             |
| Total Oral & Written Warnings: 436 |                  |                    |                  |                      |                |

| Alarms Responded To |             |                |              |              |         |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|---------|
| Reason:             | Malfunction | Employee Error | Power Outage | Valid Alarms | Unknown |
|                     | 2           | 3              |              |              | 7       |
| Type:               | Audible     | Silent         | Intrusion    | Burglar      | Other   |
| Total: 12           | 4           | 5              |              | 1            | 2       |

| Animal Shelter      |         |          |             |          |           |
|---------------------|---------|----------|-------------|----------|-----------|
|                     | Adopted | Released | Transferred | Disposed | Remaining |
| FMPD                | 10      | 21       | 5           | 1        | 11        |
| MCSO                | 3       | 5        |             |          | 4         |
| LLPD                |         | 2        | 1           |          | 2         |
| WPD                 |         | 1        |             |          |           |
| Total Impounded: 66 |         |          |             |          |           |

| Hours of Duty  |          |          |                        |                     |              |
|----------------|----------|----------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Administrative | Patrol   | Court    | Accident Investigation | Other Investigation | Other Duties |
| 144.00         | 2,222.25 | 27.50    | 12.00                  | 1,032.00            | 265.00       |
| Overtime       | Clerical | Training | Miles Driven           |                     |              |
| 91.25          | 464.00   | 259.75   | 11,554                 |                     |              |

| Police Department Collections |         |                   |                |          |             |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------------|----------------|----------|-------------|
| Parking                       | Bicycle | Photocopies       | Animal Shelter | DUI      | Restitution |
| \$740.00                      | \$0.00  | \$104.25          | \$495.50       | \$293.63 | \$108.84    |
| Other                         | \$55.00 | Total: \$1,797.22 |                |          |             |

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council  
**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police  
**DATE:** March 3, 2009

| February 12, 2009 – February 25, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|---------------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service                     | 1511 | Parking Summons  | 24 |
| Case Reports                          | 82   | Impounds         | 2  |
| Traffic Summons                       | 97   | Adult Arrests    | 44 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons               | 36   | Juvenile Arrests | 7  |

### ANNOUNCEMENT

During the week of February 11<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>, the police department participated in the *Click It or Ticket* Campaign. The goal was to increase seat belt usage and promote safety on our highways and roads. We discovered through a pre-survey to the campaign that there was a 63% seatbelt compliance rate. After the campaign it raised to a 73% compliance rate. There were five officers assigned during a 28 hour enforcement campaign that netted 27 seatbelt tickets and 55 warnings for various other violations.

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

#### Pedestrian Safety

Twice in recent weeks two pedestrians were struck by a vehicle while crossing a street. Fortunately, the pedestrians survived without serious lasting effects. These incidents involved crosswalks but both could have been avoided if the persons using the crosswalks were more aware of the vehicles in the vicinity. While the law assigns pedestrians the right of way, it does not relieve pedestrians of using due care for their own safety. It is important that both pedestrians and drivers understand their shared responsibility when crossing the roadway, whether it be at a crosswalk, or a location other than a crosswalk.

The Fort Morgan traffic code clearly states that when crossing the street at a location other than a marked crosswalk or at an intersection, the person walking *shall* yield to all vehicles on the roadway. In addition- pedestrians are prohibited from crossing in the middle of the street when there is a traffic control signal at an adjacent intersection; this is commonly known as "J-Walking." The law also specifically states that "no pedestrian shall suddenly leave a curb"... "and walk or run into the path of a moving vehicle which is so close as to constitute an immediate hazard." This means pedestrians should wait until it's safe to cross.

Drivers too must constantly be aware of their surroundings and avoid distractions. Drivers should understand that whenever a pedestrian is crossing the street in a crosswalk, both marked and un-marked, the pedestrian is given the right-of-way and drivers should slow down or stop. While fines for violating any of these provisions range between \$30 and \$70 dollars, the emotional cost of seriously injuring someone is much higher. The best bet for all of us is to remember to be respectful of everyone's rights to use our roadways and walk & drive responsibly and share the road.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- The police department presented information along with other city departments at the CPMC Health Fair.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Officer Roger Doll attended "Basic and Advanced Identity Theft" course presented by CBI.
- Officers Kuretich, Sagel, Crone, Parks, Malone, Thyne, Cantin and Schossow attended an 8 hour training on the Beslan School siege.
- Officer Steve Brown attended a week long school in Advanced Accident Investigation.
- Officer Tim Malone attended a class on Recognition of Disguised and Concealed Weapons.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

Staff attended the following meetings: • Regional Quiet Zone Presentations • Rainbow River Festival • Northeast District Attorney/Chiefs Meeting • NE CO Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning Meeting • NECALG Annual Meeting • Morgan County Communications Board • MEAN • Ehrlich Toyota Incentive Discussion • Public Transit Bus Stop Review • Family Preservation Commission • Lions and Rotarians Joint Meeting • One Morgan County Transition Team Meeting • Morgan County Domestic Violence Task Force •

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** March 17, 2009

### February 26, 2009 – March 11, 2009

|                         |      |                  |    |
|-------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service       | 1394 | Parking Summons  | 22 |
| Case Reports            | 55   | Impounds         | 5  |
| Traffic Summons         | 72   | Adult Arrests    | 42 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons | 29   | Juvenile Arrests | 11 |

### ANNOUNCEMENT

We would like to announce that after almost 25 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Fort Morgan and this department; Sergeant Tom Davis has retired. Sergeant Davis began his career with the Fort Morgan Police Department in July of 1984. Please stay in contact with him and wish him well as he will be missed by us all. A reception will follow in the upcoming weeks.

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

Recent days have seen an increase in theft from motor vehicles. Many of these included the theft of in-dash radios. The resulting damage to the vehicle's dash-panel was often more costly than the value of the radio. What did most of these victims have in common? They left their car doors unlocked. The trend in the recent thefts appears to be that the crooks check car doors until they find one that is unlocked, then loot the vehicle and attempt to steal the vehicle's stereo, causing a great deal of damage.

Thieves will try to take anything. Never leave anything inside your vehicle. Even an empty duffle bag can be enticing to a crook that is curious about its contents. There may be nothing to steal in the bag. But a hefty repair bill for your car's busted window or dashboard repair may be awaiting you. To learn more visit our website at [www.fortmorganpolicedept.com](http://www.fortmorganpolicedept.com) or call 867-5678.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- Community Resource Officer Roger Doll gave a presentation to Alzheimer's support group about law enforcement's requirements during a domestic violence call. Potential future meetings to form advocacy group.
- Officer Doll attended the TRIAD meeting. Seniors, Law Enforcement and Community groups meet to discuss issues relating to senior citizens. Items discussed were the upcoming "Shred Event", the Elder Watch program and our Newsletter
- Officer Doll attended the Colorado Crime Prevention Association meeting in Wheat Ridge

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- All department members attended a 4 hour annual recertification on Taser
- Sgt. Sharp, Officers Joshua Kaber, Dominick Lucero, and Ken Jansma attended a gang summit.
- Police Clerks Elliott, Holt, and Harman attended two-4 hour CCIC courses on CCIC Coordinator Training and Sex Offender Registration.
- Code Enforcement Officers Simpson and Cook attended an eight hour course on "Situational Awareness" and Tactical Training on Communications.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION PROJECTS

- In Line of Duty Death and Critical Injuries Procedure
- Multiple Morgan County Agency Contract for use of City Gun Range
- Critical Incident Response Team Memorandum of Understanding
- Police Officer Recruitment Retention Contract
- Homicide and Questionable Death Investigation Policy
- Police Department 5-Year Accreditation Self Assessment

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

Rainbow River Festival • Northeast Peace Officers Association Dinner/Meeting • Lions & Rotary Joint Meeting • Community FORT • Retired Sterling Police Chief Bill Finch Funeral • B106 Talk Show • Fall Harvest Car Show Committee • DV Audit Meeting • Morgan County Child Fatality Committee

Fort Morgan Police Department  
Month End Report - February, 2009

| Monthly Activity  |         |                   |                 |                          |                 |
|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Calls For Service | Arrests | Traffic Summonses | Other Summonses | Overtime Parking Tickets | Offense Reports |
| 2932              | 102     | 200               | 61              | 61                       | 157             |

| Oral/Written Warnings              |                  |                    |                      |                |                  |
|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Animal Violations                  | Traffic Contacts | Parking Violations | Ordinance Violations | Other warnings | Abandon Vehicles |
| 30                                 | 343              | 169                | 38                   | 57             | 32               |
| Total Oral & Written Warnings: 637 |                  |                    |                      |                |                  |

| Alarms Responded To |             |                |         |              |       |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|---------|--------------|-------|
| Reason -            | Malfunction | Employee Error | Unknown | Valid Alarms | Other |
|                     | 5           | 1              | 10      |              | 2     |
| Type                | Audible     | Silent         | Burglar | Motion       | Other |
| Total: 18           | 1           | 11             | 4       | 1            | 1     |

| Animal Shelter      |         |          |             |          |           |
|---------------------|---------|----------|-------------|----------|-----------|
|                     | Adopted | Released | Transferred | Disposed | Remaining |
| FMPD                | 4       | 9        | 8           | 3        | 8         |
| MCSO                | 4       | 2        | 1           | 1        | 6         |
| LLPD                |         |          |             |          |           |
| WPD                 |         |          | 1           |          | 1         |
| Total Impounded: 49 |         |          |             |          |           |

| Hours of Duty  |          |              |                        |                     |              |
|----------------|----------|--------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Administrative | Patrol   | Court        | Accident Investigation | Other Investigation | Other Duties |
| 144.00         | 2,307.50 | 13.00        | 21.25                  | 894.00              | 562.25       |
| Overtime       | Clerical | Miles Driven |                        |                     |              |
| 168.00         | 520.50   | 12,268       |                        |                     |              |

| Police Department Collections |         |                   |                |         |             |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------------|----------------|---------|-------------|
| Parking                       | Bicycle | Photocopies       | Animal Shelter | DUI     | Restitution |
| \$1,260.00                    | \$7.00  | \$65.75           | \$467.00       | \$51.00 | \$392.24    |
| Other                         | \$4.00  | Total: \$2,246.99 |                |         |             |

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** April 7, 2009

| March 12, 2009 –April 1, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|-------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service             | 2061 | Parking Summons  | 42 |
| Case Reports                  | 143  | Impounds         | 12 |
| Traffic Summons               | 98   | Adult Arrests    | 73 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons       | 56   | Juvenile Arrests | 9  |

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

#### Gangs in Fort Morgan

We may feel that by living in a rural community we are immune from big city problems, but often times that is not the case. Many times urban issues eventually find their way into our communities. The problem of gangs is no exception. Fort Morgan Police are aware of several persons in our city who openly admit to gang affiliation. The department recently implemented a method to identify these gang members and their associations. If we fail to recognize or deny the existence of this activity, it will increase the gang's ability to gain a foothold in our community and evolve into a more serious threat. In the near future, the department plans on presenting information at a community forum to educate the public on this issue.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- The TRIAD meeting was held on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Seniors, Law Enforcement and Community groups meet to discuss issues relating to senior citizens.
- On March 18<sup>th</sup>, Officer Doll attended the Colorado Crime Prevention Association meeting in Wheatridge. A new Robbery Prevention program was presented by Wheatridge Police Department.
- The Neighborhood Watch meeting of the Hillcrest/Fremont apartments residents was held on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Officer Julie Ramstetter assisted with a presentation on Identity Theft. She covered topics on how it can happen, and what to do if you become a victim.
- The Fort Morgan S.A.L.T (seniors and law enforcement together) committee meeting was held on March 23<sup>rd</sup> as well. Officer Doll discussed the elder-watch resource program sponsored through the Attorney General's office and also informed the group of a telephone scam we have seen in Fort Morgan known as the "It's me" scam.
- The Second Annual Community Shred Event was held on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Partnering with Morgan Federal Bank and APEX Shredding, the event was held in Morgan Federal Bank's parking lot. Citizens brought a variety of documents that contained personal information to be securely shredded.
- On March 25<sup>th</sup>, Lieutenant Darin Sagel, Officer Roger Doll, and Detective Todd Zwetzig attended the check presentation to SARA from the USDA Rural Development, Colorado DOLA and the Division of Housing for funds to purchase the new office for SARA that will provide services and resources to the community, law enforcement and victims of sexual assault.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Detective Steve Vosburg attended a twenty-four hour Child Interview training class.
- Lieutenant Darin Sagel attended a Taser Liability class in Westminster, CO.
- Lieutenant Crone attended a presentation at MCC on the Weld County tornadoes
- Lieutenant Jared Crone and Code Enforcement Officers Simpson and Cook attended a webinar on the new Colorado Spay and Neuter Laws.
- Lieutenant Sagel presented two classes on local laws at MCC's Adult Basic Education facility. There were a total of 76 attendees.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

Tour at ErgoMed Facility • Rainbow River Festival Committee • Lions Meeting • Community FORT • B106 Talk Show • Fall Harvest Car Show Committee • Morgan County Law Enforcement Meeting • City Budget Family Preservation Commission • Morgan Communications Board • Morgan County School Security Council • OMC Coffee & Culture • IT Governance Board • U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Detention and Removal Project Briefing • SARA Board Meeting • Toastmasters

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** April 21, 2009

| April 2, 2009 –April 15, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|-------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service             | 1540 | Parking Summons  | 21 |
| Case Reports                  | 85   | Impounds         | 2  |
| Traffic Summons               | 39   | Adult Arrests    | 45 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons       | 32   | Juvenile Arrests | 8  |

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

The police department investigated a shooting that left a Fort Morgan man in critical condition. Police were called to McDonalds Restaurant on Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> on the report of a shooting. The shooting victim, 25 -year-old Jeremy Alan Bornmann, was taken to a local hospital and then to Denver General. He died of his injuries on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. At this time, police have no probable cause for an arrest and no charges to be filed. Investigation of the incident continues in determining if any criminal charges would be recommended as the result of the actions of this case.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- On Easter morning the police department assisted with Phil Keoghan's "Ride Across America Presented by GNC". Keoghan arrived in Fort Morgan on Saturday and we provided a police escort for his entourage as they departed Sunday heading toward Wray Colorado.
- CRO Roger Doll and SRO Tim Malone assisted Baker School with their "AmeriTown Project. This project has students engage in a variety of interactive lessons regarding banking, civics, free enterprise, laws, job interviews, and various other subjects related to business and working. Officers assisted school officials with the interviewing students.
- CRO Roger Doll chaired the S.A.R.A Board Meeting, this being the first one held in their new building.
- Department personnel presented the department Homicide and Questionable Death Investigation Policy for consideration by other northeast regional law enforcement.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Detective Steve Vosburg attended a Victims Compensation Conference in New Mexico. All expenses were paid through the local S.A.R.A. advocacy organization.
- Department personnel attended April In-Service Training on Firearms and Search and Seizure presented by the City Attorney's Office.
- Department personnel performed semi-annual qualifications on all firearms.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

- Department Monthly Supervisor Meeting • Rainbow River Festival Committee • Lions Meeting • Pipeline Group
- Fall Harvest Car Show Committee • NE Chief and Sheriffs Meeting • Community FORT • Morgan County School Security Council • Public Transit Meeting • FPPA • Domestic Violence Audit Team • ISST • CACP Accreditation Meeting • S.A.R.A. •

Fort Morgan Police Department  
Month End Report - March, 2009

| Monthly Activity  |         |                   |                 |                          |                 |
|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Calls For Service | Arrests | Traffic Summonses | Other Summonses | Overtime Parking Tickets | Offense Reports |
| 3069              | 126     | 144               | 37              | 63                       | 261             |

| Oral/Written Warnings              |                  |                    |                  |                      |                |
|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Animal Violations                  | Traffic Contacts | Parking Violations | Abandon Vehicles | Ordinance Violations | Other warnings |
| 26                                 | 276              | 107                | 21               | 68                   | 75             |
| Total Oral & Written Warnings: 573 |                  |                    |                  |                      |                |

| Alarms Responded To |                |                |        |           |         |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|--------|-----------|---------|
| Reason -            | Malfunction    | Employee Error | Valid  | Unkown    | Robbery |
|                     | 7              | 8              | 2      | 13        | 1       |
| Type                | Audible/Silent | Burglar        | Motion | Intrusion | Other   |
| Total: 30           | 10-/-8         | 15             | 5      | 1         | 2       |

| Animal Shelter      |         |          |             |          |           |
|---------------------|---------|----------|-------------|----------|-----------|
|                     | Adopted | Released | Transferred | Disposed | Remaining |
| FMPD                | 10      | 20       | 3           | 7        | 9         |
| MCSO                | 4       | 2        | 3           | 1        | 7         |
| LLPD                |         | 1        |             |          |           |
| Total Impounded: 67 |         |          |             |          |           |

| Hours of Duty  |          |              |                        |                     |              |
|----------------|----------|--------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Administrative | Patrol   | Court        | Accident Investigation | Other Investigation | Other Duties |
| 227.00         | 3,189.63 | 51.50        | 36.00                  | 1,196.50            | 1,122.25     |
| Overtime       | Clerical | Miles Driven |                        |                     |              |
| 180.75         | 752.00   | 17,655       |                        |                     |              |

| Police Department Collections |         |                   |                |     |             |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------------|----------------|-----|-------------|
| Parking                       | Bicycle | Photocopies       | Animal Shelter | DUI | Restitution |
| \$1,140.50                    |         | 149.42            | \$698.00       |     | \$387.24    |
| Other                         | 460.91  | Total: \$2,836.07 |                |     |             |

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** May 5, 2009

| April 16, 2009 –April 29, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|--------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service              | 1733 | Parking Summons  | 33 |
| Case Reports                   | 79   | Impounds         | 3  |
| Traffic Summons                | 88   | Adult Arrests    | 61 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons        | 20   | Juvenile Arrests | 5  |

### ANNOUNCEMENT

During the recent 2009 Rural Seat Belt Enforcement campaign, our agency was one of several that was the most cost effective and productive agencies that participated. The average state cost per violation was \$62.47. We were considerably below that mark which shows that we used the grant funds efficiently. We were asked to share our strategies and tactics so the state coordinator can put together a "best practices" list for the agencies participating in the upcoming May Mobilization Seat Belt Enforcement campaign.

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

A graffiti menace has struck several different locations this last week in the south east part of town scarring several buildings, city property and items at JC Park. In many incidents the moniker "14" or "NS" in red paint was used in different writing styles. We ask members of the community to report any suspicious activity that may assist in apprehending these individuals. Calls can be made to the police department at 867-5678 or Morgan County Crime Stoppers at 542-3411.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- Assisted Baker School with their AmeriTowne Project. Students engage in a variety of interactive lessons that focus on banking, civics, free enterprise, advertising, laws, philanthropy, job interviews and more. Students prepare for their opportunity to run a life-size town by interviewing for jobs, conducting employee business meetings, and attending job-training sessions.
- Officer Malone and I met with the Administration of the Fort Morgan High School to discuss a plan for the upcoming school year in handling the traffic congestion and related parking issues around the high school. We discussed several ideas that will sanction students and staff from using public streets and providing a formal traffic analysis that may result in changes in traffic control and landscaping.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- School Resource Officer Tim Malone attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual School Safety Symposium held in Denver, CO on Friday April 24<sup>th</sup>
- Officers Ken Jansma and Zeb Smeester attended a 2 day training class on advanced roadside maneuvers. This class is designed to assist officers in administering field sobriety maneuvers that relate to alcohol and drug impairment.
- Lt. Crone and Lt. Sagel attended a three day LECC Conference in Vail Colorado. The training is made possible through grants from the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office, US Department of Justice or the Colorado Peace Officer Standards & Training Board. It covers a variety of information.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

April Supervisor Meeting • Rainbow River Festival Committee • Lions Meeting • LaCascada Security • HAZ Mitigation Meeting • Quiet Zone Analysis Meeting • Red Cross Shelter Debriefing • Platte Express Open House • ICE Operation • Public Transit Meeting • 911 Board • Family Preservation Commission • DBA Meeting • KFTM Emergency Signal Meeting • MCC ABLE Ribbon Cutting • Downtown Business Association Meeting

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** May 19, 2009

| April 30, 2009 – May 13, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|-------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service             | 1763 | Parking Summons  | 4  |
| Case Reports                  | 111  | Impounds         | 4  |
| Traffic Summons               | 68   | Adult Arrests    | 49 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons       | 32   | Juvenile Arrests | 13 |

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 18<sup>th</sup> thru May 31<sup>st</sup> is the Click it or Ticket Campaign. All of the department will be aggressively working seatbelt violations during the campaign. The project is partially funded through a CDOT grant for reimbursement of fifty-two hours of overtime.
- To ensure Fort Morgan parents and community members are educated about the emergence of gang activity in our local community, the Fort Morgan Police Department will host a program on Gang Awareness on May 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m., at the Fort Morgan Middle School. The session will provide information on recognizing local gang activity, the warning signs of gang involvement, intervention tips and a description of how the police and Fort Morgan Schools are working together on solutions to this problem.
- On June 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will conduct a community notification of a "Sexually Violent Predator" who is moving to the northwest part of town in the month of June. By state law a community notification containing the name of the predator, the predator's address, the offense for which the predator was convicted, a statement that the person has been designated to be a sexually violent predator and a photograph of the sexually violent predator will be shared with the community.
- On June 11<sup>th</sup>, the police department will host a Neighborhood Community Meeting in Ward III (residents living in the northwest part of town) to discuss crimes and concerns specific to their particular neighborhood. The police department wants to enlist the active participation of residents in cooperation with law enforcement to reduce crime, solve problems, and improve the quality of life in their area. The meeting will be held at the police department at 7:00 p.m.

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

- The police department's month of May CRIME PREVENTION CONNECTION has information on Home Security 101: It gives great safety tips in securing the outer premise of your home by trimming down vegetation and other enhancing measures for home security. The newsletter can be obtained on the police department website or notifying us and requesting a regular monthly electronic version.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- A presentation at Pioneer School on Conflict Resolution and Bullying Prevention was given to the entire 4<sup>th</sup> grade class. Sgt. Doug Schossow and CRO Roger Doll talked about steps to take to resolve conflict and what to do in a bullying situation.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

- DV Task Force • CLEOA Annual Conference • NECPOA Meeting • Rainbow River Festival Event • Centennial Mental Health Forum • CARGILL Community Meeting • Morgan Humane Society • Community FORT • Criminal Code Review • B-106 • Annual Police Department Staff Meeting •

**April End of Month Report**

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** June 2, 2009

| May 14, 2009 – May 27, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|-----------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service           | 1888 | Parking Summons  | 17 |
| Case Reports                | 84   | Impounds         | 12 |
| Traffic Summons             | 120  | Adult Arrests    | 37 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons     | 27   | Juvenile Arrests | 5  |

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Fort Morgan Police Officers cited nearly 50 people for not wearing their seat belts during the first weekend of the two-week Click It or Ticket campaign. The purpose of the seat belt enforcement campaign is to help create a national seat belt usage rate of 83 percent. Before 1980, usage of seat belts in the United States lingered around 11 percent despite volunteer and educational campaigns at the local, county, and state levels. Since then, a combination of public education, incentives and laws have been used to increase the use of seat belts. Our preliminary survey prior to beginning enforcement showed a 62% compliance rate in the City of Fort Morgan. Most violations are "secondary" as in Colorado no driver in a motor vehicle shall be cited for a seatbelt violation unless such driver was stopped by a law enforcement officer for another alleged violation.
- On Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Fort Morgan Police Department will host a public meeting to notify residents about a currently registered sex offender that has been classified as a sexually violent predator. Pursuant to Colorado Law the meeting being held is to provide information concerning the release of this individual and will take place at Morgan Church of the Nazarene-Gymnasium, 211 West Seventh Avenue, Fort Morgan. Due to the content of the information that will be presented, it is not advisable to bring children to the meeting.
- On Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m., the police department is hosting a community meeting entitled "Neighborhood Safety Meeting" for the residents and business owners in the northeastern area of the community in Fort Morgan. (Ward III, defined as those residents living between the borders of Railroad Avenue and Riverview Avenue, between Main Street and Barlow Road.) Come and meet the staff and learn about specific crime activity in your neighborhood. The meeting will be held at Fort Morgan Police Department at 901 East Beaver Avenue, from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

The figures are familiar: 40,000 people die each year in car accidents, the leading cause of death for people under the age of 35. Safety belts can prevent death in about half of these accidents. If you know this and are still not wearing a safety belt, you may need to ask yourself why not. But first, let's look at what happens when a car crashes. Imagine running as fast as you can - into a wall. You'd expect to get pretty banged up. Do you think you could stop yourself if the wall suddenly loomed up when you were two feet away from it? This is exactly the situation you face when the front of your car hits something at only 15 miles an hour. The car stops in the first tenth of a second, but you keep going forward at the same rate you were going in the car until something stops *you* - the steering wheel, dashboard or windshield - if you're not wearing your safety belt. Bad enough at 15 miles an hour, but a 30 miles you hit "the wall" four times as hard as you would at 15. Or to put it another way, with the same impact you'd feel as if you fell three stories. Please consider the importance of seat belt use.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- On May 20<sup>th</sup>, CRO Roger Doll gave a presentation for the Older Adult Resource Fair at MCC was given on personal safety and fraud prevention.
- On May 21<sup>st</sup>, CRO Roger Doll gave a presentation on R.A.D. Self Defense for Women was given to a church group. The one hour program was on basic avoidance, awareness and response to assault.
- The Fort Morgan Police Department began a traffic analysis at the Fort Morgan High School and surrounding area. This review is to look at existing conditions and estimated future impacts with proposed improvements on the surrounding street system and neighborhood. Traffic counts were recently at area intersections before the school year ended.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

Gang Awareness Public Meeting • Lions Club • 911 Board Meeting • Family Preservation Commission • "So You Think You Know" Chamber of Commerce Luncheon • State Wide Strategic Tobacco Planning Session

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** June 16, 2009

| May 28, 2009 – June 10, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service            | 1938 | Parking Summons  | 7  |
| Case Reports                 | 104  | Impounds         | 5  |
| Traffic Summons              | 63   | Adult Arrests    | 56 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons      | 45   | Juvenile Arrests | 5  |

### What Time Should I be Home?

As parents, we often hear this question from our children before they go to a movie or to a friend's house. Most parents have set curfews for their children as to when they should be home. Younger children playing outside during the day may have to be home before dark. Teenagers may have to be home by 10:00 p.m. or 11:00 p.m. depending on the day of the week.

We also hear the question: "Why do I have a curfew?" Well, we have a couple of good reasons. First, the City of Fort Morgan does have a curfew ordinance for children under the age of 18 who are not in the company of a parent or guardian. On Sunday through Thursday, curfew is 11:00 p.m. On Friday and Saturday nights, curfew is 1:00 a.m. There is an exception for teenagers who are driving to and from work or home from an event that ended late.

Second, children and teenagers who are contacted by officers after curfew are issued a summons for violation of the curfew ordinance. Parents will be contacted to come to the Police Department to pick up their child and are required to appear in court with their child. We want to keep everyone safe and that includes your children. We need the parents help and support by setting and enforcing curfews for their children.

### TRAINING

- SRO Tim Malone attended training for School Resource Officers from June 8<sup>th</sup> – June 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Chief Keith Kuretich attended the annual Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP) conference held June 8<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> in Steamboat Springs. This year's theme was "Values and Visions for a New Era in Policing".
- Officers Zeb Smeester and Dominick Lucero attended a 40 hour Special Weapons and Tactics course hosted by the Greeley Police Department.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- CRO Roger Doll attended the TRIAD meeting on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

SVP Community Meeting • Lions Club • Chamber Meeting • FMPD Supervisor Meeting • TRIAD • Older Adult Resource Council • B106 Talk Show • Statewide Strategic Policy Planning Session • Child Fatality Team

Fort Morgan Police Department  
Month End Report - May, 2009

| Monthly Activity  |         |                   |                 |                          |                 |
|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Calls For Service | Arrests | Traffic Summonses | Other Summonses | Overtime Parking Tickets | Offense Reports |
| 4083              | 142     | 224               | 91              | 26                       | 270             |

| Oral/Written Warnings                          |                  |                    |                 |                      |                |
|--|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Animal Violations                              | Traffic Contacts | Parking Violations | Weed Violations | Ordinance Violations | Other warnings |
| 44   | 365              | 84                 | 364             | 108                  | 128            |
| <b>Total Oral &amp; Written Warnings: 1093</b> |                  |                    |                 |                      |                |

| Alarms Responded To |             |                |         |             |       |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|---------|-------------|-------|
| Reason -            | Malfunction | Employee Error | Unknown | Valid Alarm | Other |
|                     | 2           | 10             | 4       | 1           | 1     |
| Type                | Audible     | Silent         | Burglar | Motion      | Other |
| <b>Total: 17</b>    | 3           | 5              | 5       | 2           | 2     |

| Animal Shelter             |         |          |             |          |           |
|----------------------------|---------|----------|-------------|----------|-----------|
|                            | Adopted | Released | Transferred | Disposed | Remaining |
| FMPD                       | 9       | 17       | 5           | 5        | 11        |
| MCSO                       | 4       | 8        | 4           | 1        | 11        |
| LLPD                       |         |          |             | 1        | 7         |
| WPD                        |         | 1        |             |          |           |
| <b>Total Impounded: 84</b> |         |          |             |          |           |

| Hours of Duty  |          |          |                        |                     |              |
|----------------|----------|----------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Administrative | Patrol   | Court    | Accident Investigation | Other Investigation | Other Duties |
| 141.5          | 2337.25  | 14.75    | 39.25                  | 794.75              | 578          |
| Overtime       | Training | Clerical | Mile Driven            |                     |              |
| 163.75         | 145.5    | 437.90   | 12113                  |                     |              |

| Police Department Collections |         |                          |                |          |             |
|-------------------------------|---------|--------------------------|----------------|----------|-------------|
| Parking                       | Bicycle | Photocopies              | Animal Shelter | DUI      | Restitution |
| \$655.00                      | \$11.00 | 178.75                   | \$691.00       | \$234.34 | \$719.56    |
| Other                         | \$20.00 | <b>Total: \$2,509.65</b> |                |          |             |



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## Meth – It Takes a Serious Toll

May 2009



### METHAMPHETAMINE

You've probably heard of it, read the news of those impacted by its use or even seen the devastating effects, but do you really know what all the fuss is about this drug? It begins with addiction; this IS an extremely addictive drug that can destroy the lives of users and producers, as well as, those around them.

Methamphetamine (Meth) alters the brain's level of dopamine, a naturally occurring chemical that influences feelings of pleasure, motivation and appetite. As users become more addicted and their use of the drug expands, there are significant psychological and physiological impacts.

Anxiety, violent behavior, paranoia, hallucinations, delusions, sensations of bugs crawling under your skin; all these effects sure don't sound like an enjoyable experience! Unfortunately these are many of the effects that potential users fail to think of before they begin using the drug. As usage of the drug progresses, users begin to show physical signs - extreme weight loss leading to anorexia in some cases, damage to teeth, sores and abscesses due to itching.

Meth is extremely dangerous to produce causing toxic gases and the potential for fire or explosion. Anyone involved in the production of this illegal drug puts themselves at risk, as well as, anyone in close proximity to their "lab" or production facility.

If you know of someone who uses or makes Methamphetamine, every day of inaction is another day in the progress of addiction. To find a treatment program visit the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services treatment plan locator at [www.findtreatment.samhsa.gov](http://www.findtreatment.samhsa.gov).

\*Information from the Office of National Drug Control Policy contributed to this article.

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## HOME SECURITY 101 Plants: The Good, the Bad and the Thorny

Are you nervous about someone jumping over a fence or getting into an area of your yard that may be vulnerable? Shrubbery can be an excellent tool for enhancing home security. You can make a potential access point less desirable by planting an attractive collection of thorny or sharp shrubs. A cactus, rose bush or other beautiful, but "untouchable" plant can be just the deterrent to the person thinking about jumping over a fence.



Plants must be carefully selected and MAINTAINED as they can also hurt your prevention efforts when they aid a burglar by providing concealment around your home. Shrubbery that blocks the view of your front door or windows can be an invitation to trouble. Be sure to keep your plants well-trimmed so that they do not block the view from the street of your doors and windows. Also, keeping shrubs, hedges and other plantings thinned and cut from the ground up will prevent someone from hiding from your view.

Keeping plants trimmed up at least 12 inches from the ground, no taller than an average person and thinned out will enhance your prevention efforts.

## Vacation? Lock Up Your House!



It's the season for travel and whether you are gone for a day, a week or a month you want to be sure that your home is secure while you are gone. The "lived in" look is a great deterrent for a thief looking for a home to burglarize. The look begins with setting lights and TV's/radios on timers so that they come on (and off) during your normal hours of usage when you are home so it looks as realistic as possible.

Newspapers and mail piling up can be a give-away that you are not home, so be sure to have a trusted neighbor or friend pick them up while you are gone. You can add to the "lived-in" look by asking your neighbors to park in your driveway and asking them to bring in your garbage cans. While you are at it, be sure to give them an emergency number that you can be contacted at in case of a problem at your home.

Finally, **LOCK UP!** Be sure to take time before leaving to check every door and window and confirm that they are locked and secure. Now, go and enjoy wherever your travels take you.

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## Phishing – Be Careful of the Lures

Identity theft continues to be a national problem as thieves use personal information to access the credit of others, steal hard-earned money from bank accounts and pretend to be someone they are not. One method for committing this theft that continues to grow in popularity is phishing on the Internet. Phishing is all about using "lures" to get you to provide your personal and confidential information.

An email from "your bank" that looks official may, in fact, be a phishing lure. The email can look almost exactly like something your financial institution would provide, complete with a similar logo, text and maybe even some information that makes it sound like they know you. The problem is it isn't really from your financial institution but instead from a thief.

Some of these thieves can be very creative and know just what to say to encourage you to act. A message of urgency or a threat to suspend your credit or an alert that something has happened to your account can be very tempting to respond to. However, that is exactly when you need to stop and check into the legitimacy of the information before you enter your information, visit a website or click on a link.

Be familiar with your financial institution's privacy policies as well as their Internet and email policies. Don't respond to unsolicited emails with personal information and without verifying that it is, in fact, a legitimate message from your bank, credit union, e-commerce company or creditor. If you are not completely sure about the legitimacy of the message, contact them by phone using a number that you obtain from your actual account statement or the phone book. **DO NOT** click on links in the suspicious email or webpage.

If you have a fraudulent email that is "phishing" for your information, you can forward it to the Anti-Phishing Group at [reportphishing@antiphishing.org](mailto:reportphishing@antiphishing.org), the FTC at [spam@uce.gov](mailto:spam@uce.gov) or file a complaint with the FBI at [www.ic3.gov](http://www.ic3.gov).

### The Monthly 2do List

A long stretch of highway, the stereo playing your favorite tunes, a little too much pressure on the accelerator... before you know it, you're exceeding the speed limit. The dangers are obvious but can easily be forgotten or ignored.



A car stops abruptly in front of you; an animal runs across the road; a child darts out into a traffic. All of these unfortunate situations and more can happen in the blink of an eye. With every additional mile per hour, you are increasing your stopping distance and reducing your ability to avoid a collision. Speed limits are set to maximize the potential for safe driving based on road type, size and conditions. Exceeding the speed limit isn't only a violation of the law; it is a life safety issue. **TODAY** and everyday monitor your speed to make sure that you are not exceeding legal limits or traveling faster than is safe for conditions.

## National Police Week 2009



The month of May includes National Police Week starting on May 11<sup>th</sup> and during the week National Peace Officer's Memorial Day is honored on May 15<sup>th</sup>. On October 1, 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed the resolution into law, recognizing police officers across the nation.

It was not until May 15, 1982, that the first National Peace Officers' Memorial Day Service was held. Activities during National Police Week now include the annual Candlelight Vigil at the National Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial in Washington D.C. and National Police Survivors Seminars, as well as the National Peace Officers' Memorial Day Service.

The resolution also directs Government officials to display the flag of the United States at half-staff on all Government buildings on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

During this week we remember two Fort Morgan law enforcement officials who died in the line of duty while serving the citizens of Fort Morgan; Marshal Charles Eysler and Officer Fred Rehmer.

This year we will be proudly displaying a United States flag that was flown over the U.S. Capitol earlier this year, in honor of both of these devoted officers who made the ultimate sacrifice

### Blue Ribbon Campaign

During National Police Week you are encouraged to display blue ribbons on your car antennas. Concerns of Police Survivors, a support group, distribute blue ribbons to thousands of law enforcement agencies nationwide, including the Fort Morgan Police Department.

Everyone is encouraged to tie blue ribbons to their vehicle antennas. These blue ribbons are a reminder of law enforcement personnel who have made the ultimate sacrifice and in honor of those men and women who serve their communities 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, every year.

Feel free to stop by the front office and pick up a blue ribbon for your vehicle and view the display in the front lobby.

### **Take 25 to talk to your children**

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children is sponsoring a valuable event called "Take 25" and encouraging you to talk to your child about safety.

What is Take 25?

A program of the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children®, the goal of Take 25 is to heighten awareness about children's safety issues. With a focus on prevention, the campaign encourages parents, guardians, and other trusted-adult role models to spend time talking to kids and teaching them ways to be safer.

Take 25 was started to commemorate National Missing Children's Day on May 25th. First proclaimed by President Ronald Reagan in 1983, the day serves as an annual reminder to the nation to renew efforts to reunite missing children with their families, remember those who are still missing, and make



child protection a national priority. It's a time of reflection and renewed hope for millions of families in communities across the country.

### Why Take 25?

Childhood is full of rewards and potential risks. As babies become toddlers, they are more prone to bumps, bruises, falls, and wandering. As children grow into teenagers, they become increasingly independent and are more apt to explore, live life, and socialize with less family supervision.

Fortunately, potential risks children face throughout their lives can be lessened when parents and guardians teach safety concepts. While it may not be possible for parents and guardians to be with their children every minute of the day, they can spend time talking to them, setting appropriate limits, and helping them make good choices.

Just minutes of prevention can make a huge impact in the life of a child.

For more information and additional resources about this opportunity go to [www.take25.org](http://www.take25.org)

Date 06/04/2009

INCIDENT ANALYSIS - DAY

Time 11:06:16AM

Agency Fort Morgan Police Dept

Report CFS03

Dates 05/01/2009 Thru 05/31/2009

| Activity                       | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Total |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-------|
| Agency Fort Morgan Police Dept |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |       |
| 00400 Assault                  | 4   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 0    | 1   | 3   | 12    |
| 00500 Burglary                 | 0   | 2   | 1   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 1   | 5     |
| 00600 Theft                    | 3   | 6   | 7   | 6   | 6    | 7   | 5   | 40    |
| 00700 M/V Theft                | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 1     |
| 01100 Fraud                    | 0   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 0    | 1   | 0   | 4     |
| 01400 Vandalism/crim Mischf    | 4   | 4   | 2   | 4   | 3    | 6   | 3   | 26    |
| 01510 Firearm/Shots Fired      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0   | 1   | 2     |
| 01800 Drug/narcotics           | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 2    | 1   | 0   | 4     |
| 02000 Off Agnst Fam & Chld     | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 02300 Drunkeness               | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 1     |
| 02415 Domestic Violence        | 0   | 3   | 0   | 2   | 1    | 0   | 1   | 7     |
| 02420 Breach Of Peace          | 1   | 1   | 0   | 2   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 4     |
| 02430 Loud Noise               | 10  | 4   | 3   | 10  | 3    | 14  | 16  | 60    |
| 02620 Trespassing              | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 2    | 2   | 2   | 7     |
| 02660 Harass/threat            | 2   | 4   | 5   | 9   | 3    | 2   | 4   | 29    |
| 02670 Local Ordinance Viola    | 3   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 5    | 6   | 3   | 22    |
| 02671 Dog At Large             | 22  | 14  | 15  | 11  | 21   | 10  | 22  | 115   |
| 02675 Loose Livestock          | 1   | 1   | 0   | 2   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 4     |
| 02679 Weed Violation           | 20  | 52  | 73  | 89  | 63   | 97  | 49  | 443   |
| 02681 Garage Sales Permit      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 2   | 2   | 4     |
| 02700 Susp Pers/veh/inc        | 4   | 14  | 14  | 8   | 23   | 7   | 9   | 79    |
| 02900 Runaway/missing Prsn     | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0   | 0   | 3     |
| 03010 Assist Other Agency      | 7   | 10  | 14  | 6   | 6    | 6   | 8   | 57    |
| 03020 Bar Check                | 13  | 0   | 0   | 2   | 7    | 11  | 18  | 51    |
| 03021 Bar/liquor License       | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0    | 1   | 1   | 3     |
| 03030 Building Check           | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 03040 Civil Service            | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 03050 Escort                   | 10  | 4   | 6   | 6   | 3    | 4   | 4   | 37    |
| 03055 Remove A Party           | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 2   | 1   | 4     |
| 03060 Funeral Assist           | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0    | 3   | 2   | 6     |
| 03070 Keep The Peace           | 4   | 1   | 5   | 2   | 0    | 2   | 3   | 17    |
| 03080 Medical Assist           | 11  | 4   | 4   | 4   | 8    | 8   | 4   | 43    |
| 03090 Open Door/window         | 1   | 0   | 1   | 2   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 5     |
| 03100 Welfare Check            | 5   | 7   | 4   | 2   | 4    | 6   | 5   | 33    |
| 03110 Salvation Army Assist    | 0   | 0   | 2   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 2     |
| 03120 Extra Patrol             | 17  | 21  | 22  | 34  | 39   | 29  | 19  | 181   |
| 03121 Vacation House Check     | 0   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1    | 2   | 2   | 10    |
| 03542 Bicycle Contact          | 3   | 2   | 0   | 3   | 3    | 2   | 2   | 15    |
| 03590 Traffic Ctrl             | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 4   | 6     |
| 03600 Driving Complaint        | 4   | 3   | 2   | 4   | 2    | 3   | 1   | 19    |
| 03605 Parking Off Street       | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 1   | 2     |
| 03610 Parking Complaint        | 13  | 14  | 23  | 15  | 12   | 8   | 19  | 104   |
| 03615 Parking Control          | 0   | 6   | 1   | 1   | 3    | 0   | 0   | 11    |
| 03620 Traffic Hazard           | 2   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 4    | 2   | 1   | 19    |
| 03640 Animal Control           | 0   | 6   | 7   | 3   | 7    | 7   | 4   | 34    |
| 03641 Dar-animal Control       | 2   | 0   | 3   | 2   | 6    | 2   | 0   | 15    |
| 03642 Animal Disposal          | 0   | 1   | 2   | 0   | 1    | 2   | 0   | 6     |
| 03644 Vicious Dog              | 3   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 4     |
| 03650 Cat At Large             | 2   | 0   | 2   | 0   | 1    | 0   | 1   | 6     |
| 03670 Animal Bite              | 1   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 2   | 5     |

Date 06/04/2009

INCIDENT ANALYSIS - DAY

Time 11:06:16AM

Agency Fort Morgan Police Dept.

Report CFS03

Dates 05/01/2009 Thru 05/31/2009

| Activity                              | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Total |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-------|
| 03680 Warrant Attempt/arres           | 7   | 3   | 9   | 1   | 1    | 1   | 10  | 32    |
| 03690 Neighborhood Dispute            | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 1   | 1   | 3     |
| 03695 Family Dispute                  | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0   | 1   | 4     |
| 03710 Vehicle Impound Relea           | 0   | 2   | 3   | 3   | 1    | 1   | 1   | 11    |
| 03720 Bicycle License                 | 1   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0    | 1   | 0   | 4     |
| 03730 Lost/found                      | 4   | 3   | 3   | 5   | 4    | 5   | 6   | 30    |
| 03750 Meet Party                      | 9   | 44  | 53  | 38  | 42   | 76  | 35  | 297   |
| 03760 Information                     | 8   | 36  | 27  | 18  | 13   | 17  | 10  | 129   |
| 03770 Return Phone Call               | 34  | 58  | 84  | 66  | 78   | 102 | 61  | 483   |
| 04000 Alarm                           | 4   | 2   | 2   | 5   | 1    | 5   | 3   | 22    |
| 05000 Misc                            | 2   | 2   | 2   | 0   | 2    | 2   | 4   | 14    |
| 05007 Restraining Order Vio           | 2   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 1   | 5     |
| 05599 Littering                       | 0   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 0    | 1   | 0   | 3     |
| 07410 Disturbance                     | 8   | 4   | 0   | 2   | 4    | 5   | 1   | 24    |
| 07510 Abandoned Vehicle               | 2   | 4   | 2   | 3   | 4    | 2   | 3   | 20    |
| 07520 Motorist Assist                 | 1   | 1   | 0   | 5   | 5    | 3   | 2   | 17    |
| 07530 Traffic Contact                 | 63  | 65  | 63  | 60  | 70   | 104 | 83  | 508   |
| 07531 Pedestrian Contact              | 7   | 11  | 14  | 12  | 11   | 10  | 13  | 78    |
| 07570 Unlock Vehicle                  | 14  | 16  | 11  | 7   | 8    | 15  | 10  | 81    |
| 07580 Vehicle Inspection              | 0   | 9   | 5   | 4   | 6    | 10  | 0   | 34    |
| 07700 Juv Problem                     | 4   | 2   | 6   | 3   | 5    | 6   | 6   | 32    |
| 09000 Fire Investigation LE           | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 0   | 1     |
| 09001 Welfare Check E911              | 10  | 12  | 5   | 5   | 5    | 5   | 13  | 55    |
| 09002 Non-emergency Informa           | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 09003 No Answer/Call Back             | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 09006 Registered Sex Offend           | 0   | 0   | 0   | 2   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 2     |
| 09007 Welfare Ck.-Animal              | 0   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 3    | 5   | 0   | 13    |
| 09900 Invest/follow Up                | 27  | 58  | 71  | 51  | 70   | 79  | 37  | 393   |
| 09901 Summons Service                 | 1   | 6   | 6   | 5   | 6    | 9   | 2   | 35    |
| 09911 Victim Notification             | 0   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 0    | 1   | 2   | 9     |
| 09912 Refuse                          | 6   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 3    | 0   | 1   | 18    |
| 09913 Door To Door Sales              | 1   | 2   | 0   | 4   | 0    | 3   | 1   | 11    |
| 09914 Advertising                     | 2   | 3   | 3   | 1   | 3    | 5   | 4   | 21    |
| 09915 Building Permit                 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 1   | 0   | 2     |
| 09917 Special Events                  | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 3   | 5     |
| 35CO Accident-cold Report             | 2   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 0   | 3     |
| 35DU Dui Investigation                | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 35HR Accident-h&r                     | 2   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 0    | 2   | 0   | 9     |
| 35LT Lights Traffic Contac            | 5   | 2   | 3   | 8   | 6    | 13  | 25  | 62    |
| 35PD Accident-pd                      | 6   | 4   | 2   | 6   | 3    | 9   | 2   | 32    |
| BN Burlington Northern                | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 2     |
| K9 K-9 Unit                           | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| REPO Repossession                     | 0   | 0   | 1   | 2   | 1    | 1   | 0   | 5     |
| Fort Morgan Police Dept. Agency Total | 410 | 561 | 614 | 568 | 599  | 763 | 568 | 4,083 |
| Total                                 | 410 | 561 | 614 | 568 | 599  | 763 | 568 | 4,083 |

Date 06/04/2009

OFFENSE ACTIVITY - DAY

Time 11:07:19AM

Agency Fort Morgan Police Dept

Report OFF03

Dates 05/01/2009 Thru 05/31/2009

| Activity   | ALL                             | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Total |
|------------|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-------|
| Agency     | Fort Morgan Police Dept         |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |       |
| 0000001303 | Aggrav Asslt - Family-stgarm    | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000001305 | Aggrav Asslt- Nonfamily-weapon  | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000001306 | Aggrav Asslt- Nonfamily-stgarm  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 1     |
| 0000001313 | Simple Asslt                    | 0   | 2   | 1   | 0   | 0    | 2   | 1   | 6     |
| 0000001316 | Intimidation                    | 0   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0    | 0   | 2   | 4     |
| 0000002203 | Burgl - Forced Entry-nonresid   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000002303 | Shoplifting                     | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000002304 | Larc - Parts From Veh           | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 1   | 3     |
| 0000002305 | Larc-from Auto-theft From Mv    | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 2    | 0   | 2   | 6     |
| 0000002308 | Larc-from Bldg (theft)          | 0   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 0    | 2   | 2   | 8     |
| 0000002309 | Larc - From Yards               | 1   | 0   | 3   | 1   | 1    | 1   | 1   | 8     |
| 0000002404 | Vehicle Theft                   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 1     |
| 0000002602 | Fraud - Swindle                 | 0   | 2   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 0   | 3     |
| 0000002901 | Damage Prop - Business          | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 2     |
| 0000002902 | Damage Prop - Private           | 1   | 4   | 1   | 2   | 3    | 5   | 2   | 18    |
| 0000003550 | Narcotic Equit - Possess        | 1   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0    | 2   | 1   | 5     |
| 0000003560 | Marijuana - Sell                | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000003562 | Marijuana - Possess             | 1   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 0    | 0   | 3   | 8     |
| 0000003805 | Contrib.to Delinquency Of Minor | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000003850 | Runaway                         | 1   | 2   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 3     |
| 0000003899 | Family Offense (free Text)      | 1   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 0    | 1   | 2   | 6     |
| 0000004104 | Liquor - Possess                | 1   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 1    | 0   | 0   | 3     |
| 0000004200 | Intox Pedestrian In Road        | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000004801 | Resisting Officer               | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000004803 | Making False Report             | 0   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 2     |
| 0000004899 | Obstruct Police                 | 0   | 2   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 2     |
| 0000004902 | Fugitive From Justice           | 1   | 0   | 2   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 3   | 7     |
| 0000005005 | Contempt Of Court - See Mis     | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0   | 0   | 2     |
| 0000005006 | Obstructing Justice             | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 1   | 2     |
| 0000005007 | Obstructing Court Order         | 1   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 1    | 1   | 1   | 6     |
| 0000005015 | Failure To Appear - See Mis     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 1    | 0   | 1   | 3     |
| 0000005199 | Bribery                         | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000005212 | Possession Of Weapon            | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 1     |
| 0000005213 | Firing Weapon                   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 1     |
| 0000005299 | Weapon Offense (free Text)      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 1     |
| 0000005311 | Disorderly Conduct              | 2   | 5   | 1   | 4   | 2    | 3   | 2   | 19    |
| 0000005313 | Curfew                          | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 2   | 0   | 3     |
| 0000005403 | Driving Under Influence Drugs   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 2     |
| 0000005404 | Driving Under Influence Liquor  | 9   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 8   | 18    |
| 0000005406 | Nonmoving Traffic Violation     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000005444 | Habitual Offender               | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 1     |
| 0000005499 | Traffic Offense                 | 4   | 2   | 1   | 0   | 1    | 1   | 2   | 11    |
| 0000005707 | Trespass Of Real Property       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 2    | 1   | 0   | 6     |
| 0000007099 | Crimes Against Person See Mis   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 1     |
| 0000019099 | Animal Bite                     | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 2     |
| 0000029099 | Assist Other Agency             | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 1    | 0   | 0   | 2     |

Date 06/04/2009

OFFENSE ACTIVITY - DAY

Time 11:07:19AM

Agency Fort Morgan Police Dept.

Report OFF03

Dates 05/01/2009

Thru 05/31/2009

| Activity            | ALL                          | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Total |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-------|
| 0000047399          | Dog At Large                 | 5   | 3   | 1   | 2   | 4    | 0   | 6   | 21    |
| 0000049099          | Death, Attended              | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| 0000079099          | Found Property               | 2   | 0   | 0   | 3   | 0    | 1   | 2   | 8     |
| 0000087399          | Illegal Use/Poss. Of Tobacco | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1   | 0   | 2     |
| 0000099099          | Information                  | 3   | 2   | 6   | 4   | 0    | 4   | 2   | 21    |
| 0000107399          | Loud Noise                   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 1   | 2     |
| 0000109099          | Lost Property                | 2   | 1   | 1   | 2   | 1    | 2   | 0   | 9     |
| 0000127399          | Rabies Tag                   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0   | 1   | 2     |
| 0000167399          | Vicious Dog                  | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0   | 1   | 3     |
| 0000187399          | Weed Violations              | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 1    | 6   | 5   | 13    |
| 0000189099          | Unattended Death             | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0   | 1     |
| <b>Agency Total</b> |                              | 45  | 37  | 30  | 28  | 26   | 42  | 62  | 270   |
| <b>Total</b>        |                              | 45  | 37  | 30  | 28  | 26   | 42  | 62  | 270   |

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** July 7, 2009

### June 11, 2009 – June 30, 2009 (3 week reporting period)

|                         |      |                  |    |
|-------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service       | 2398 | Parking Summons  | 10 |
| Case Reports            | 148  | Impounds         | 5  |
| Traffic Summons         | 80   | Adult Arrests    | 73 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons | 53   | Juvenile Arrests | 11 |

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Fort Morgan Police Department recently made an internal promotion and transfer at the supervisor level. The promotion of Detective Steve Brown to the position of Patrol Sergeant, and the lateral transfer of Sergeant Loren Sharp from the Patrol Division to the Investigations Division as Detective Sergeant.

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

Calls can be made to the police department at 867-5678 or Morgan County Crime Stoppers at 542-3411.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- June 11<sup>th</sup> was the first of a series of Community Meetings in Ward 3. Information on particular crime and patterns were shared along with concerns from those residents attending.
- A presentation on RAD Self Defense for Women was given to a local church group. This is a 1 hour program on basic avoidance, awareness and response to assault.
- Officer Trevor Greenwood presented a Bicycle Safety Class at the Fort Morgan Police Department to a group of Boy Scouts and issued bicycle licenses to those who did not have one.
- The Fort Morgan Police Department provided fingerprinting services for children at the June Jubilee on June 20<sup>th</sup> at City Park. The event was sponsored by Caring Ministries.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Several patrol officers attended Alzheimer's training for first responders at Department of Human Services on June 18<sup>th</sup>.
- The Detective division attended a Multi-Disciplinary Sexual Assault Team training sponsored by SARA.
- Chief Kuretich attended a training session on "Top 10 Things You Should Expect from Your Police Department" presented by the Upper Midwest Center for Police Innovation.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

- Met with City Clerk Strand and representatives of Elks Lodge to discuss liquor license process and issues.
- Met with Community representatives, Lutheran Family Services and State Refuge Services to discuss local issues and concerns.
- Staff is meeting with BOB Stock organizers for the pre-planning of the July event.
- Staff recently completed training on the Everbridge Alert System. In case communication failures occur this system will increase our ability to respond to and minimize the human, operational, and financial impact of routine incidents and disasters.
- Met with City Engineer Curtis to review several traffic engineering projects; High School, Columbine School and Industrial Park.

- NE DA/LE Executive Meeting in Sterling CO • Fort Morgan Area Chamber • FPPA Meeting • Community FORT  
• 911 Board • Family Preservation Commission • B106 Radio Show • SARA • Toastmasters

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** July 21, 2009

| July 1 – July 15, 2009  |      |                  |    |
|-------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service       | 1927 | Parking Summons  | 5  |
| Case Reports            | 108  | Impounds         | 3  |
| Traffic Summons         | 72   | Adult Arrests    | 62 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons | 52   | Juvenile Arrests | 12 |

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

The police department has been handling several animal complaints throughout the city. Allowing a domesticated animal such as a dog or cat to run amuck is against the law. More concerning is the discovery of a rabid bat and skunk within the city and that there has recently been several dog-mauling incidents. Last week Dr. Thimmig, a local veterinarian, warned the community against any contact with bats and other wild animals and that rabies should never be taken lightly under any circumstances. It is a deadly viral disease. People can get rabies from the bite of an infected warm-blooded animal, such as a bat, raccoon, skunk, feral cat or domestic animals. Pet owners need to be cognizant of these facts and aware of the dangers that they are exposing to themselves, their pets and the community when animals are allowed to run at large. They can come into contact with almost anything.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- The Fort Morgan Police Department held the second of three Community Meetings. Information such as crime patterns, types of crimes, and crime prevention methods was shared with Ward 1 residents
- The police department assisted with security at the BOB Stock event over the weekend.
- The Adult Protection Team meeting was held on July 16<sup>th</sup> at the Department of Human Services. Cases of abuse/neglect of elderly or disabled adults in Morgan County were reviewed.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Chief Kuretich and Lt. Sagel attended the Colorado Police Chiefs Association Seminar on Budgeting in the "New" Economy. This was an open discussion with several other police chiefs regarding their trials and tribulations regarding the budgeting process with the current economic climate.
- Staff attended a discussion about what the defense looks for in trying a case of sexual assault.
- Code Enforcement Officers Simpson and Cook attended a Mini-Academy for Animal Control

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

- Chief Kuretich, City Clerk Andrea Strand met with Colorado OEM to complete the NIMS Compliance reporting for the city in the last several years.
- Staff met with the Morgan Humane Society in order to transition operations of the Animal Shelter. MHS will take over operations beginning August 1, 2009.
- Staff met with area law enforcement and schools staff to review an upcoming exercise.
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Morgan County Law Enforcement Executive Meeting • Department Supervisor Meeting • City IT Advisory Board • CIRSA Training on the City Charter

Fort Morgan Police Department  
Month End Report - June, 2009

| Monthly Activity  |         |                   |                 |                          |                 |
|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Calls For Service | Arrests | Traffic Summonses | Other Summonses | Overtime Parking Tickets | Offense Reports |
| 3963              | 138     | 122               | 91              | 15                       | 174             |

| Oral/Written Warnings                         |                  |                    |                 |                      |                |
|---|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Animal Violations                             | Traffic Contacts | Parking Violations | Weed Violations | Ordinance Violations | Other warnings |
| 25  | 253              | 92                 | 209             | 105                  | 102            |
| <b>Total Oral &amp; Written Warnings: 786</b> |                  |                    |                 |                      |                |

| Alarms Responded To |             |                |         |        |         |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|---------|--------|---------|
| Reason              | Malfunction | Employee Error | Valid   | Other  | Unknown |
|                     | 7           | 9              | 1       | 3      | 2       |
| Type                | Audible     | Silent         | Burglar | Motion | Other   |
| <b>Total: 22</b>    | 5           | 5              | 9       | 4      | 2       |

| Animal Shelter             |         |          |             |               |           |
|----------------------------|---------|----------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
|                            | Adopted | Released | Transferred | Disposed/Died | Remaining |
| FMPD                       | 8       | 17       | 6           | 3             | 21        |
| MCSO                       | 3       | 7        | 3           | 3             | 4         |
| LLPD                       |         | 1        |             |               |           |
| <b>Total Impounded: 76</b> |         |          |             |               |           |

| Hours of Duty  |          |          |                        |                     |              |
|----------------|----------|----------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Administrative | Patrol   | Court    | Accident Investigation | Other Investigation | Other Duties |
| 159.25         | 2433.25  | 35.5     | 21.25                  | 937.95              | 224          |
| Overtime       | Training | Clerical | Miles Driven           |                     |              |
| 104.5          | 219.5    | 426      | 12,665                 |                     |              |

| Police Department Collections |         |                          |                |        |             |
|-------------------------------|---------|--------------------------|----------------|--------|-------------|
| Parking                       | Bicycle | Photocopies              | Animal Shelter | DUI    | Restitution |
| \$405.00                      | \$44.00 | 84.75                    | \$375.00       | \$7.00 | \$282.84    |
| Other                         | \$15.00 | <b>Total: \$1,213.59</b> |                |        |             |

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** August 4, 2009

| July 16 – July 29, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|-------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service       | 1663 | Parking Summons  | 8  |
| Case Reports            | 95   | Impounds         | 3  |
| Traffic Summons         | 39   | Adult Arrests    | 42 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons | 34   | Juvenile Arrests | 7  |

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

Fort Morgan Police are asking for your help in solving two recent burglaries where cigarettes were stolen from local gas stations. In both crimes, cartons of cigarettes were stolen from the convenience stores during the week in the early morning hours, well after the stores had closed.

In both cases the thief entered the store by breaking the glass in the front door and went directly to where the cigarette cartons were stored and the burglar was only in the store for a short time and took only cigarettes, leaving other valuables behind.

The first incident occurred in April at the North Main Shell gas station. In this case a single male entered the store by breaking the glass in the front door, stole approximately \$2,000 worth of cigarettes and left in a vehicle that may have been parked behind the store. The most recent incident occurred on July 15<sup>th</sup> at the I-76 Conoco Station. Again someone entered the store by breaking the glass in the door and stole approximately \$500 in cigarettes.

In both cases, officers arrived on scene shortly after the burglar alarms in the stores had been activated, but the perpetrator had already left the scene, indicating the thief quickly entered the store, took only the cigarettes and quickly left. In one incident, a white quad-cab, dually, pickup truck was seen in the area shortly before the burglary occurred. It's unknown if this vehicle is involved with the crime or may have information helpful to the investigation.

Police are asking anyone with knowledge about these burglaries or any suspicious circumstances involving a large number of cigarettes to contact Morgan County Crime Stoppers at 542-3411 and remain anonymous and may be eligible for a cash reward.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- The Fort Morgan Police Department assisted the Fort Morgan Chamber of Commerce with the annual "Kidnap a Tourist" day. The "tourist" that are contacted are treated to lunch, tours, and are presented with a gift basket full of local items.
- Community Resource Officer Roger Doll hosted the quarterly Chaplains luncheon at the Fort Morgan Police Department on July 22, 2009.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Officers of the Fort Morgan Police Department and other Morgan County Law Enforcement Agencies are attending Active Shooter Training. There are 3 dates that have been set.
- Administrative Assistant Sheila Bass attended an 8 hour Colorado Open Records Act class at the Westminster Police Department.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

- Lieutenant Darin Sagel attended a demonstration on wireless infrastructure and the potential it can offer rural areas given by VIAERO Wireless at the Fort Morgan Public Library on Saturday, July 25.

CLEOA Board • Budget Review • Community FORT • City of Fort Morgan Website Redesign • Communications Board • Victim's Compensation Board • School Safety Meeting • City Council • Sex Assault Response Advocates • Adult Protection Team

# FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council  
**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police  
**DATE:** August 18, 2009

| July 30, 2009 – August 12, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|---------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service               | 1560 | Parking Summons  | 8  |
| Case Reports                    | 118  | Impounds         | 0  |
| Traffic Summons                 | 64   | Adult Arrests    | 55 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons         | 35   | Juvenile Arrests | 6  |

## CRIME OF THE WEEK

The Fort Morgan Police Department is actively investigating a hit and run involving a pedestrian which resulted in the injury of a female juvenile. The incident occurred on July 31, 2009 in the 500 block of Southridge Road around noon. The suspect vehicle is a green passenger style vehicle. The Fort Morgan Police Department has received several calls from the community in regards to the possible sighting of the vehicle. While following-up on these tips, there were two incidents involving a vehicle that matched the description that occurred in Fort Morgan and Weld County. One involved a property damage / hit and run traffic accident in the Fort Morgan area. The other incident was a roll-over traffic accident in Weld County. The vehicle involved in the roll-over is being processed for evidence and results are pending. The department has received information on potential witnesses and officers are attempting to contact them. The department also received a report of an alleged similar car vs. pedestrian incident that occurred; however, we have been unable to substantiate the information. If anyone has any information regarding this incident or witnessed the incident, please contact the Fort Morgan Police Department at 970-542-3930.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Fort Morgan Police Department and the Morgan County Sheriffs Department was notified that they were awarded a Department of Justice JAG (Justice Assistance Grant) in the amount of \$16,249. The acceptance process underway. The award will be used to purchase ballistic helmets and other safety equipment for the Fort Morgan Police Department and the Morgan County Sheriff's Office. This grant is part of the "2009 Recovery Act"

## COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- The police department held its third Community Meeting for the southeast portion of town (Ward 2) at Pioneer School. Crime trends, programs and specific concerns of citizens in the area were discussed.
- An informative neighborhood meeting regarding a Sexual Violent Predator who had moved to the northeast part of town was presented.
- Lt. Darin Sagel and Det. Sgt. Loren Sharp presented information about "gang awareness" to the Town of Log Lane Village Town Council.
- The department has applied for mini-grant from the Colorado Department of Transportation for DUI enforcement during September and October. If awarded, grant would pay for approximately 36 hours of overtime enforcement totaling \$1,044

## LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Morgan County law enforcement officers concluded the "active shooter" training conducted at various schools throughout the county.

## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

- Administrative Staff met with two police psychologist regarding professional services offered to law enforcement personnel.
- Staff has met with multiple entities in the planning of a fall school exercise scenario in Brush coming in September 2009.
- Approved street closures for the Cavalry Baptist Church Neighborhood Block Party & Mountain States Industrial Contractors for a project at CPMC.
  - B 106 Radio Show • Police Supervisor Monthly Meeting • Red Cross Committee Meeting
  - Fall Harvest Car Show Committee • City Council •

Fort Morgan Police Department  
Month End Report - July, 2009

| Monthly Activity  |         |                   |                 |                   |                 |
|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Calls For Service | Arrests | Traffic Summonses | Other Summonses | Parking Summonses | Offense Reports |
| 3802              | 146     | 124               | 95              | 14                | 277             |

| Oral/Written Warnings                         |                  |                    |                 |                      |                |
|---|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Animal Violations                             | Traffic Contacts | Parking Violations | Weed Violations | Ordinance Violations | Other warnings |
| 35  | 299              | 67                 | 216             | 183                  | 106            |
| <b>Total Oral &amp; Written Warnings: 906</b> |                  |                    |                 |                      |                |

| Alarms Responded To |             |                |              |              |         |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|---------|
| Reason -            | Malfunction | Employee Error | Power Outage | Valid Alarms | Unknown |
|                     | 7           | 9              |              | 1            | 10      |
| Type                | Audible     | Silent         | Burglar      | Motion       | Other   |
| <b>Total: 27</b>    | 4           | 7              | 15           |              | 10      |

| Animal Shelter          |         |          |             |          |           |
|-------------------------|---------|----------|-------------|----------|-----------|
|                         | Adopted | Released | Transferred | Disposed | Remaining |
| FMPD                    | 6       | 17       | 6           | 9        | 21        |
| MCSO                    | 4       | 9        | 2           | 0        | 20        |
| LLPD                    |         |          |             | 1        | 0         |
| WPD                     | 0       | 3        |             | 0        | 1         |
| <b>Total Impounded:</b> |         |          | <b>99</b>   |          |           |

| Hours of Duty  |          |          |                        |                     |              |
|----------------|----------|----------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Administrative | Patrol   | Court    | Accident Investigation | Other Investigation | Other Duties |
| 139            | 2456     | 45       | 19                     | 870.5               | 284.51       |
| Overtime       | Training | Clerical | Miles Driven           |                     |              |
| 84.25          | 35.5     | 451      | 12,685                 |                     |              |

| Police Department Collections |         |               |                |                   |             |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Parking                       | Bicycle | Photocopies   | Animal Shelter | DUI               | Restitution |
| \$415.00                      | \$6.00  | 179.5         | \$767.75       | \$85.46           | \$247.46    |
| Other                         | 20      | <b>Total:</b> |                | <b>\$1,721.17</b> |             |

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council  
**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police  
**DATE:** September 1, 2009

| August 13 – August 26, 2009 |       |                  |    |
|-----------------------------|-------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service           | 1,548 | Parking Summons  | 10 |
| Case Reports                | 88    | Impounds         | 3  |
| Traffic Summons             | 59    | Adult Arrests    | 27 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons     | 20    | Juvenile Arrests | 1  |

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

The police department is investigating a sexual assault that occurred in the early morning hours on August 25<sup>th</sup> in the 400 block of East Riverview Avenue. The victim was home alone with her children when she heard a knock on the door and answered it. A male suspect forced his way into the residence and threatened the victim with a knife. The suspect is described as about 20-30 years of age, possibly Caucasian, 5'11, athletic build, short dark hair, wearing oval-shaped prescription glasses. The suspect was dressed in a dark colored T-shirt and knee-length shorts. If anyone has any information regarding this incident or witnessed the incident, please contact the Fort Morgan Police Department at 970-867.5678.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- August 21<sup>st</sup> CDOT Mini-grant awarded. Grant will pay for approximately 36 hours of Overtime DUI enforcement over two weekends in September (Sept, 18, 19, 20 & 25, 26, 27) 100% of request was awarded totaling \$1,044.
- August 25<sup>th</sup> Applied for 2010 LEAF DUI grant. If successful, funding would provide approximately 20 hours each month for overtime enforcement of DUI's including special enforcement periods around holidays.
- The police and several city departments are having a Public Surplus Auction on September 19, 2009 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at 1300 East Burlington Avenue. The auction will feature household glassware, electronics, bicycles, and other police evidence.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- Meet with Principal of Pioneer School along with Sgt. Schossow. The principal is interested in providing some safety and anti-bullying training for students. Reviewed curriculum discussed possible dates.
- Provided security detail for Congresswoman Betsy Markey at Historic City Hall regarding a public presentation on Health Reform
- To Serve & Protect Your Spouse Police Chaplain training offered by Police Chaplain Bob Schreiner. Topic involved relationships between officers and spouses

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Three police officers attended 40-hour grant funded course on marijuana eradication.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

City Staff meetings: FPPA Old Hire Pension Plan • Fiber Optic Enterprise • Ft. Morgan Humane Society • 5- Year CIP Plan • CIRSA Security Review • Appointed Officials Weekly Meeting • NE Chiefs & Sheriffs Meeting • OneMorgan County Community Forum • Community FORT • Fort Morgan Area Chamber's Monthly "SYTYK" Luncheon • City Council

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council  
**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police  
**DATE:** September 15, 2009

| August 27 – September 8, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|-------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service             | 1378 | Parking Summons  | 3  |
| Case Reports                  | 95   | Impounds         | 5  |
| Traffic Summons               | 55   | Adult Arrests    | 37 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons       | 25   | Juvenile Arrests | 3  |

### ANNOUNCEMENT

Now that we are several weeks into the start of the school year, the police department wants to remind motorists to be careful. Motorists are reminded of the following:

- Watch out for children on bicycles or walking.
- Drive at the posted speed limit or slower where hazards dictate.
- Stop at least 25 feet from any school bus when its red lights flash. The fine for failing to stop for red flashing lights is \$150 plus court costs, six points on your license and a possible jail sentence of 10-90 days.
- Remember the speed limit through a school zone is 20 MPH when the amber lights are flashing and/or signs are posted.
- All fines for traffic violations occurring in an active school zone are doubled.

Using these precautions as well as common sense will greatly reduce vehicle accidents and tragedies along the roadways.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- The Older Adult Resource Council meeting was held on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Officer Doll discussed programs and partnerships that can assist older adults in Morgan County.
- On the B106 Radio spot, Officer Doll discussed the upcoming Citizen Police Academy and other recent crimes of concern occurring in Ft Morgan.
- On September 9<sup>th</sup>, Officer Doll presented Shoplifting Prevention/Response training to bookstore employees at Morgan Community College.
- September 14<sup>th</sup> was the first class of the Citizen Police Academy with 13 participants.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Five police officers attended a 24-hour fire and arson investigation course. This course was hosted in Fort Morgan by the Northeast POST Region and is offered through the Public Agency Training Council.
- Fall Firearms training for half of patrol staff.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

City Staff Meetings • NE All Hazards Regional Meeting • Pre-Harvest Car Show Meeting • City Council

Fort Morgan Police Department  
Month End Report - August, 2009

| Monthly Activity  |         |                   |                 |                          |                 |
|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Calls For Service | Arrests | Traffic Summonses | Other Summonses | Overtime Parking Tickets | Offense Reports |
| 3423              | 108     | 173               | 84              | 20                       | 234             |

| Oral/Written Warnings              |                  |                    |                 |                      |                |
|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Animal Violations                  | Traffic Contacts | Parking Violations | Weed Violations | Ordinance Violations | Other warnings |
| 17                                 | 258              | 81                 | 77              | 96                   | 101            |
| Total Oral & Written Warnings: 630 |                  |                    |                 |                      |                |

| Reason -      | Malfunction | Employee Error | Power Outage | Valid Alarms | Unknown |
|---------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|---------|
|               | 3           | 6              |              |              | 6       |
| Type          | Audible     | Silent         | Burglar      | Motion       | Other   |
|               | 3           | 5              | 4            | 3            | 8       |
| <b>Total:</b> | <b>15</b>   |                |              |              |         |

| Animal Shelter |                            |           |             |          |                     |
|----------------|----------------------------|-----------|-------------|----------|---------------------|
|                | Adopted                    | Released  | Transferred | Disposed | Transferred to FMHS |
| FMPD           | 6----82                    | 12----132 | 32----98    | 9----46  | 25                  |
| MCSO           | 5----34                    | 9----41   | 21----54    | 0----12  | 19                  |
| LLPD           | 0----3                     | 0----7    | 0----10     | 1----2   | 1                   |
| WPD            | 0----8                     | 4----6    | 0           | 0        | 0                   |
| Aug----Total   | Total Impounded: 99----529 |           |             |          |                     |

| Hours of Duty  |          |          |                        |                     |              |
|----------------|----------|----------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Administrative | Patrol   | Court    | Accident Investigation | Other Investigation | Other Duties |
| 134            | 2575.25  | 24.25    | 25.5                   | 847.5               | 363.75       |
| Overtime       | Training | Clerical | Miles Driven           |                     |              |
| 164.25         | 229.5    | 408      | 12415                  |                     |              |

| Police Department Collections |         |             |         |          |             |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------|---------|----------|-------------|
| Parking                       | Bicycle | Photocopies | Other   | DUI      | Restitution |
| \$605.00                      | \$11.00 | 118.45      | \$62.00 | \$277.03 | \$298.46    |
| <b>Total: 1371.94</b>         |         |             |         |          |             |

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council  
**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police  
**DATE:** October 6, 2009

| September 10 –September 26, 2009<br>(3 week reporting period) |      |                  |    |
|---|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service   | 1738 | Parking Summons  | 22 |
| Case Reports  | 102  | Impounds         | 7  |
| Traffic Summons   | 76   | Adult Arrests    | 42 |
| Criminal/Ordinance Summons                                    | 34   | Juvenile Arrests | 6  |

### ANNOUNCEMENT

Recently the police department has seen an increase in the amount of complaints regarding dogs running at large. In the past few weeks we have investigated several complaints of dogs biting or otherwise acting in a vicious manner towards citizens in our community. Thankfully, we have not had any serious injuries reported, but the potential is certainly present for this to occur. I would like to remind residents of the City Ordinances currently in place to handle dogs running at large, and the potential liability associated with dog owners not properly containing their pets.

**The owner or person having control or charge of any dog shall have the animal under restraint at all times. Under restraint, meaning to be controlled by a leash or by competent person and immediately obedient to that person's command or within the property limits of its owner.**

Criminal charges could also be applied in cases where injures to another party occur. In addition, animal owners have a civil liability in regards to controlling their animals. Medical bills, pain and suffering claims and other litigation may be initiated against the owner of an animal when that animal acts in a vicious manner and causes injury to another. The majority of animal owners are responsible and keep their animals under their control at all times. Please report those who do not by calling the police department at 867-5678.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- Students from the Weldon Valley Pre-School attended a safety talk and toured the department.
- The second and third Citizen Police Academy Classes were held. Information on Tasers, Chaplains, Code Enforcement, Constitutional Law and the Special Response Team (SRT) was presented.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Several FMPD officers attended a Grade Crossing Collision Course presented by BNSF.
- On September 18<sup>th</sup>, Brush Police Department hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Active Shooter Scenario. Officers and responders from various Morgan County emergency services and law enforcement participated.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

City Staff Meetings • Inter-Agency Social Support Team • CPMC Pre-Disaster Planning Meeting • Lions Club • Community FORT • Fall Harvest Car Show • Muslim Ramadan • East African Community Meeting • 911 Board Meeting • Family Preservation Committee • SARA Dedication • CML Meeting • FMHS Homecoming Football Game, Parade and Event

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council  
**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police  
**DATE:** October 20, 2009

| September 10 –September 30, 2009<br>(3 week reporting period) |      |                  |    |
|---|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service   | 2128 | Parking Summons  | 23 |
| Case Reports  | 129  | Impounds         | 7  |
| Traffic Summons   | 98   | Adult Arrests    | 59 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons                                       | 44   | Juvenile Arrests | 7  |

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The police department has reviewed the process that was requested regarding the compliance of the City's truck route system. We noted some gaps and redundancies to the enforcement and we have completed a process to inform truckers and businesses in the trucking industry of the routes and local truck laws. The street department has begun installing additional signs that should assist with identifying the recent changes in routes.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- The Police Department assisted with providing security at Legion Field for the Denver Broncos Thank You Fans visit for Morgan County residents.
- The Citizens Police Academy has covered the following topics in their classes; Investigations Unit and Drug Enforcement
- Completed the analysis of the police department citizen surveys collected during the summer community meetings- See Attachment

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Chief Kuretich and Lieutenants Sagel and Crone attended the International Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference in Denver CO from October 3-7. The conference has a long reputation for providing top-notch education in law enforcement. That is why more than 14,000 law enforcement professionals attended. There were renowned international and national keynote speakers including Vice President Joe Biden, forums, technical workshops and over 150 educational sessions offered to the attendees. Some of those attended were strategies in police culture, less than lethal issues, operational support, violent crime, use of force issues and case studies.
- Sgt. Loren Sharp and Det. Todd Zwetzig attended a Computer Voice Stress Analysis (CVSA) re-certification course in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- All department members attended a 3 hour legal updates on new laws that were enacted in 2009.
- Officers Cindy Brackett, Ken Mooney and Sergeant Loren Sharp attended the annual NAFTO Conference for field training officers in Denver CO.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

City Staff Meetings • Inter-Agency Social Support Team • CPMC Pre-Disaster Planning Meeting • Lions Club • Morgan County Child Fatality • Fort Morgan Credit Union Appreciation BBQ • Morgan County Red Cross Crisis Team • FMHS Homecoming Football Game, Parade and Event • One Morgan County Advisory Board •CLEOA •

### SEPTEMBER MONTH END REPORT

# Fort Morgan Police Department Citizen Survey 2009

During the months of June, July and August, the Fort Morgan Police Department hosted community meetings throughout the city. One meeting was held in each ward of the city and residents were invited to attend. In addition to police personnel, other city officials participated as well, including city council members.

Information was presented on crime trends and statistics as well as information on the department structure, gangs, and sex offenders. Attendees were encouraged to ask questions about any topics that were of a concern to them. We are constantly seeking ways to improve our service to the citizens, so we asked that those attending community meetings to evaluate our level of service by completing a brief survey and returning it to us.

The purpose of the citizen survey was to provide us another means of obtaining citizen feedback of the services received from the Fort Morgan Police Department. We consider this survey as a valuable tool that can be used to monitor customer service, address citizen concerns, identify potential problems and even offer solutions.

We truly appreciate the effort made by everyone returning a completed survey. All comments, whether they were complimentary or critical in nature, will assist us in better serving the citizens of Fort Morgan. To simplify completion of the responses the survey was condensed from a longer, previously used survey, to basic questions including: perceptions, feelings of safety, enforcement focus, crime concerns, and general comments.

Keeping in mind the results received are but a small sampling of all residents, this survey of citizen perceptions of the Fort Morgan Police Department should serve to inform the public and police administrators who make management decisions regarding the priorities, budgets, staffing and operational planning. Information obtained from this survey may be used to help identify concerns and determine progress of meeting the expectations of the citizens of Fort Morgan.

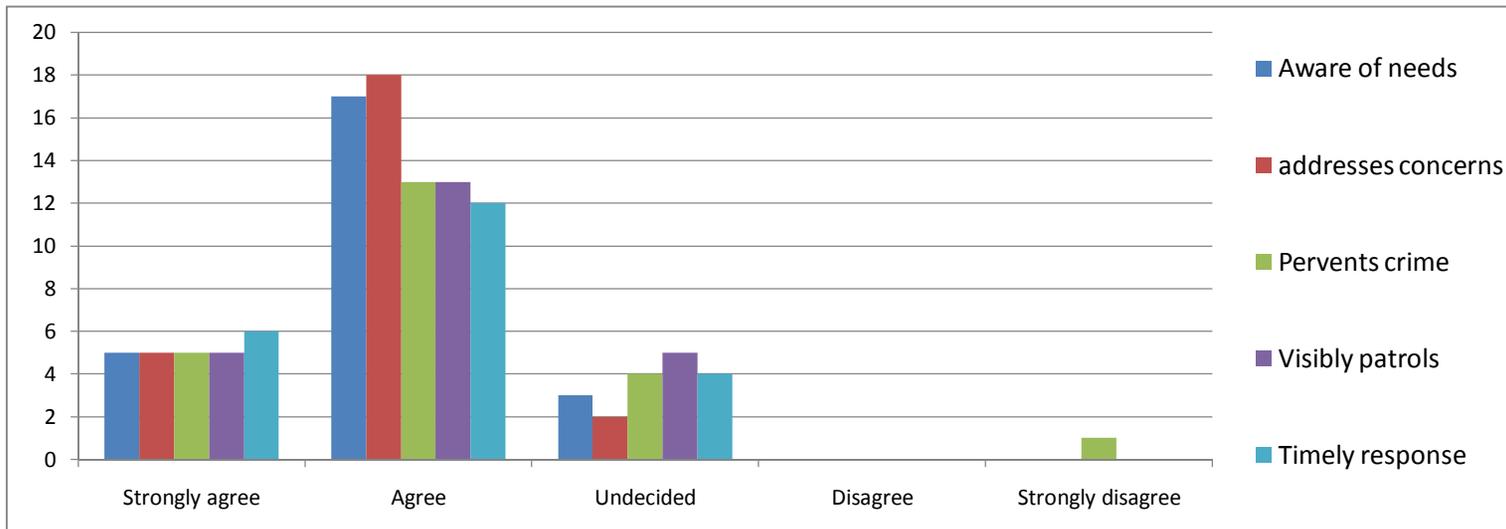
## Fort Morgan Police Department Community Survey results 2009

Attendees at community meetings conducted in each of the city's three wards were asked to complete a survey. Surveys were distributed at three community meetings, one in each ward of the city between June – August

### PERCEPTION

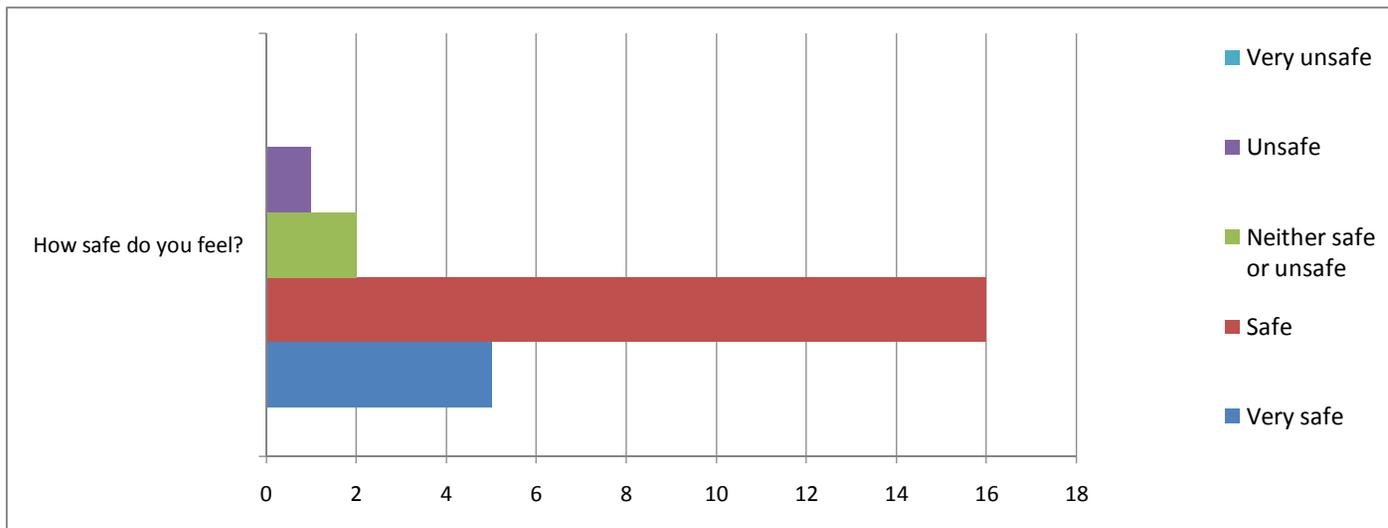
Public's perception of the Fort Morgan Police Department

1. Is aware of public needs and concerns
2. Addresses community concerns
3. Prevents crime in my neighborhood
4. Visibly patrols my neighborhood
5. Responds in a timely manner



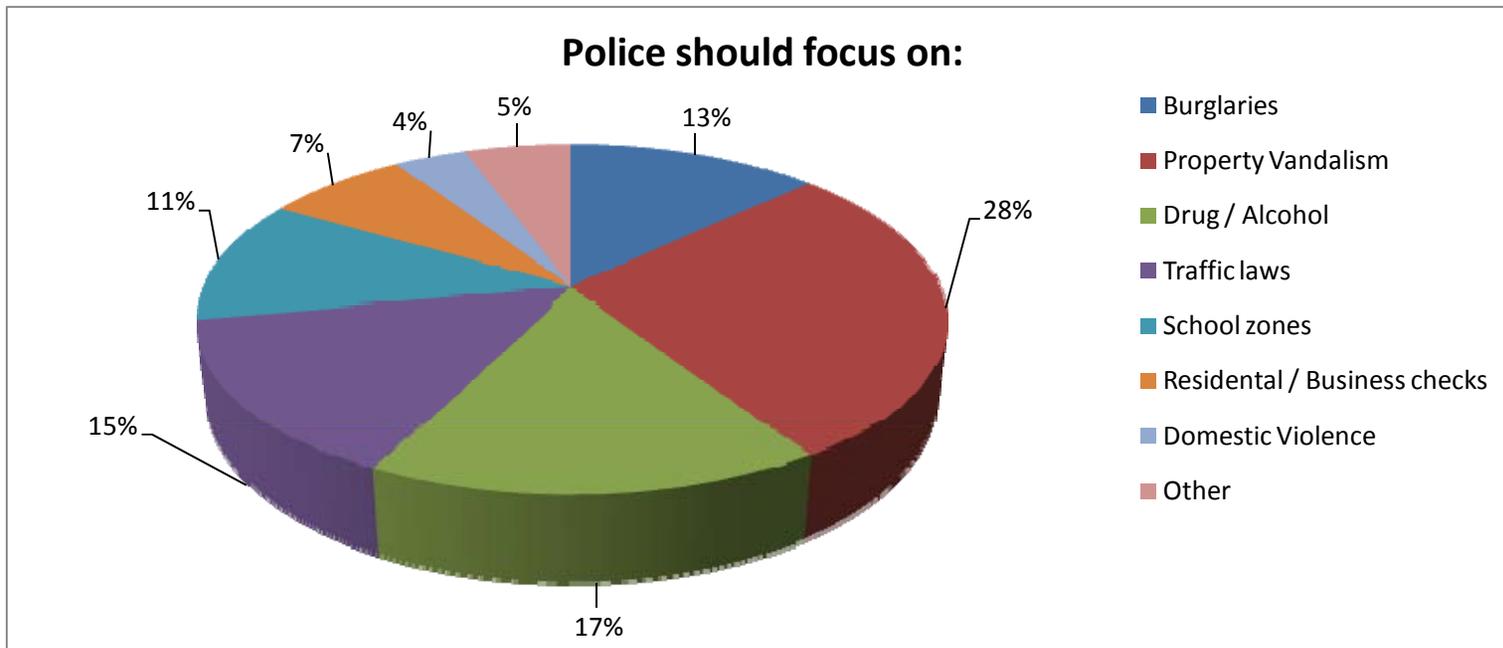
## SAFETY

Please rate how safe you feel in your community



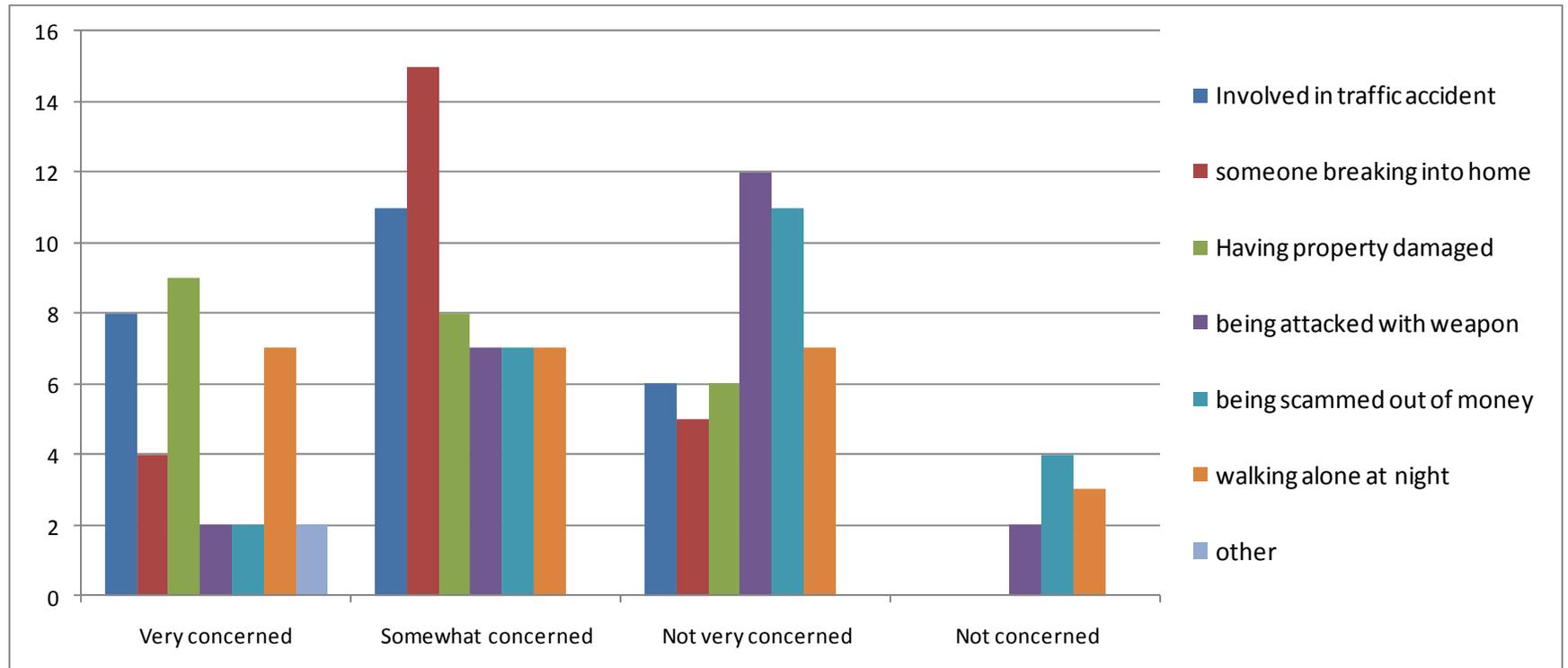
## ENFORCEMENT

Check two areas you would most like to see the police department concentrate their efforts



## CONCERNS

Please check your level of concern on the following issues



The Fort Morgan Police Department strives to inform the community of current issues that may be of importance to them through various venues including: newspaper and radio spots, sex offender meetings, gang presentations, monthly newsletters, various presentations to local groups, and of course community meetings. We look forward to reconnecting with residents of all three wards in the future.

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council  
**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police  
**DATE:** November 3, 2009

| October 4, 2009 – October 17, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|------------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service                  | 1415 | Parking Summons  | 16 |
| Case Reports                       | 66   | Impounds         | 10 |
| Traffic Summons                    | 67   | Adult Arrests    | 28 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons            | 23   | Juvenile Arrests | 8  |

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

Burglaries have been on the rise in recent months both in business and residential areas. This crime is the most common threat to our homes or businesses. According to the FBI, a burglary occurs somewhere in the United States every 15.4 seconds. In 2009 the police department has seen 43 burglary offenses. The majority of home burglaries occurred during the day when people are at work or school. The intruders know that most people are out of their homes during this time. Most non-residential burglaries occur during the evening since this is when most businesses are closed.

A burglary can have a long-lasting emotional impact on victims, leaving them feeling isolated and vulnerable. However, by taking just a few simple measures you can reduce the chances of it happening to you. Most burglaries tend to be opportunistic, rather than planned. Burglars usually choose houses and businesses that have little or no visible security. Understanding what burglars look for when choosing their target will help you identify weak spots in your in your home or business security. The police department can provide a wealth of simple and practical advice on how to deter thieves, so you feel more secure in your home or business. Call the police department at 867-5678 to learn more.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- Presented an information program on Neighborhood Watch at the Senior Center on October 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Conducted a Child Safety program with Charlie Check-First at Pioneer School on October 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Captain's Meeting for Hillcrest Neighborhood Watch Program.
- Conducted departmental tours and safety talks on Halloween for 125 Sherman School children.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- All department members attended recertification in PPCT- defensive tactics.
- Clerk Stephanie Harman attended training on registering Sexual Offenders.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

- Department is finalizing the application process for professional accreditation through the Colorado Chiefs of Police & County Sheriffs of Colorado.
- Staff attended an educational class on Marijuana Dispensaries on October 20<sup>th</sup> in Fort Lupton.
- Staff met with the Community Relations Service representative of the US Department of Justice to discuss community issues.

### CITY STAFF MEETINGS

Ehrlich Toyota Open House • TIMES Open House • Lions Club • Morgan County Family Preservation Commission • Community FORT • 911 Board • Morgan County Immigration History • City Snow Removal Planning • SYTYK

## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT



**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council  
**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police  
**DATE:** November 17, 2009

| October 18, 2009 – November 7, 2009 |     |                  |    |
|-------------------------------------|-----|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service                   | 645 | Parking Summons  | 4  |
| Case Reports                        | 42  | Impounds         | 4  |
| Traffic Summons                     | 20  | Adult Arrests    | 19 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons             | 14  | Juvenile Arrests | 3  |

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

This is an update regarding the enforcement of overweight truck compliance which are using Main Street rather than designated truck routes. In October, from the 13<sup>th</sup> through the 23<sup>rd</sup>, a traffic counter recorded 24 hours a day for nearly 10 days. It recorded all vehicles on Main Street, south of Platte Avenue where the weight restrictions begin. The results showed the majority of daily directional traffic was heading northbound. On average in a 24-hour period, approximately 5300 vehicles were counted with a total of 51,000 during the survey period. The busiest time was between 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. The majority of vehicles speed was between 19 and 25 MPH. The classification of vehicle types was 75% passenger cars and .02% of overweight trucks (four axels or above). Other vehicles recorded were motorcycles or larger passenger vehicles. Officers issued 10 summons and nearly 20 warnings regarding truck routes in October. As we continue to enforce the violations, a survey will be done in the next couple months to determine our progress.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

In the last couple weeks you may have noticed there have been a couple high profile incidents involving the police department. An unfortunate homicide, narcotics round up, and assisting with an emergency shelter for stranded travelers. This is just a few examples in the day of a police department. While not unusual in a large city, it is unusual for a small community such as Fort Morgan. These individuals don't often get or expect any acknowledgement of their deeds or devotion to their careers. I'm proud of our police force and they do a great job with the resources they are given. Several officers spent many labor intensive hours collecting evidence, interviews, exhaustive investigation, and coming out to assist strangers in a snow storm. Perhaps because it's their job or expected because of their role, but many times because they have the perseverance that transcends into the community they call home. They often make sacrifices of family, absorb public criticism, and at the same time, remain an advocate for victims of crimes while not losing their focus on their duties and responsibilities, but continue to make a significant difference in our effort to fight and prevent crime. When an officer is walking by red eyed, cracking a smile, without complaint, exhausted from going nearly 48 hours non stop, I am reminded of what a great department we have serving our community.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- On October 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> department tours and Halloween Safety presentations were conducted for Sherman School Head Start Classes.
- The Citizen Police Academy met on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and covered Traffic Enforcement and DUI.
- Hosted the Older Adult Resource Council meeting on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- B106 Morgan Matters. Discussed current events at the FMPD including Homicide, Drug Round up, and Medicare Scam.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- On October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, all staff attended a Department sponsored PPCT training and in-service.
- On November 5<sup>th</sup>, Sgt. Doug Schossow and Officer Julie Ramstetter attended a free Stalking and Domestic Violence training in Yuma.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

- Police Monthly Supervisor Meeting • Salvation Army Board • Lions Club • B 106 • Progressive 15 Morgan County • Toastmasters • Victim's Compensation Meeting • Community FORT • NECPOA

### October Month End Report

Fort Morgan Police Department  
Month End Report - October, 2009

| Monthly Activity  |                    |                     |                   |                  |               |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Calls For Service | Arrests            | Total Offenses      | Animals Impounded | Animal Summonses | Semi Contacts |
| 2936              | 76                 | 182                 | 56                | 12               | 31            |
| Traffic Summonses | Criminal Summonses | Ordinance Summonses | Parking Summonses | Graffiti Reports |               |
| 150               | 32                 | 2                   | 48                | 3                |               |

| Oral/Written Warnings                         |                  |                    |                  |                      |                |
|---|------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Animal Violations                             | Traffic Contacts | Parking Violations | Snow on Sidewalk | Ordinance Violations | Other Warnings |
| 28  | 274              | 83                 | 14               | 63                   | 91             |
| <b>Total Oral &amp; Written Warnings: 553</b> |                  |                    |                  |                      |                |

| Alarms        |             |                |         |              |         |
|---------------|-------------|----------------|---------|--------------|---------|
| Reason -      | Malfunction | Employee Error | Unknown | Valid Alarms | Unknown |
|               | 4           | 6              | 5       |              | 3       |
| Type          | Audible     | Silent         | Burglar | Motion       | Other   |
|               | 6           | 4              | 7       | 3            | 8       |
| <b>Total:</b> | <b>18</b>   |                |         |              |         |

| Hours of Duty  |          |          |                        |                     |              |
|----------------|----------|----------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Administrative | Patrol   | Court    | Accident Investigation | Other Investigation | Other Duties |
| 156            | 2421.25  | 29.5     | 27.25                  | 710.25              | 380.5        |
| Overtime       | Training | Clerical | Miles Driven           |                     |              |
| 127.5          | 349.75   | 365.75   | 11587                  |                     |              |

| Police Department Collections |          |               |                |            |             |
|-------------------------------|----------|---------------|----------------|------------|-------------|
| Parking                       | Bicycle  | Photocopies   | Animal Shelter | DUI        | Restitution |
| \$565.00                      | \$2.00   | \$192.00      |                | \$12.50    | \$399.55    |
| Other                         | \$206.70 | <b>Total:</b> |                | \$1,377.75 |             |



## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT

**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** December 01, 2009

| November 8, 2009 – November 21, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|--------------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service                    | 1259 | Parking Summons  | 19 |
| Case Reports                         | 82   | Impounds         | 1  |
| Traffic Summons                      | 40   | Adult Arrests    | 24 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons              | 18   | Juvenile Arrests | 10 |

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

The Fort Morgan Police Department is stepping up enforcement efforts regarding dog's off-leash in the nature area of Canfield Park. The department is again receiving information from park users about dogs being off-leash and safety concerns. Most recently, a jogger was chased by an aggressive dog after being pre-warned by the dog owner.

None of the city parks are "leash-optional." The city code (5-12) is very clear that all dogs are to be kept under control by the means of a leash, cord or chain. The mandatory fine if convicted for this violation is between \$35 and \$300. Our greatest concern is for the safety of all our park patrons. The law does not distinguish between trained and untrained dogs, friendly versus aggressive or responsible from non-responsible dog owners. Dog owners should also consider the possible "liability" of an undesirable incident stemming from a case in which "negligence" could easily be proven in a park that requires a leash law.

The city will be aggressively issuing citations to dog owners who are caught with dog's off-leash. If you have any questions, please contact me at 542-3931 or [chief@cityoffortmorgan.com](mailto:chief@cityoffortmorgan.com).

### CRIME PREVENTION MESSAGE

Along with festive lights, parade Santa's, and Christmas trees, counterfeit money is becoming a hallmark of the holiday season. Recently, Edwards Right Price Market received two counterfeit twenty dollar bills. They passed the counterfeit pen test, but lacked the security thread and watermark.

This is a reminder that during this time of the year, both consumers and businesses should expect to see more bogus bills. Take the time to look at your money. Counterfeiting is a crime of opportunity. And it can be devastating on a business, a family, and our economy.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- The Police Citizen Academy Graduation Ceremony was held on the evening of November 16<sup>th</sup>, with a presentation from Mayor Jack Darnell.
- A Safety Village presentation was given on November 13<sup>th</sup> at Trinity School. The Safety Village teaches children about pedestrian safety and sign recognition.
- On November 24<sup>th</sup>, the police department provided traffic control for Baker School students who formed a "food chain" delivering collected items between the school and Caring Ministries.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- Police administration met with Department of Human Services, Morgan County Sheriffs Department, District Attorney Office, and Sexual Assault Response Advocates regarding the protocol in handling investigations.
- On November 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, Sgt. Schossow and Officer Ramstetter attended a 4 hour training class on Victims Rights and Vicarious Trauma. This was a free course in Washington County put on by COVA.
- Sergeants Steve Brown and Jim Parks attended a "Supervising Challenging Employees" class on November 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

H1N1 Clinic • Family Preservation Commission • Lions Club • Cargill Community Meeting • Fort Morgan Area Chamber of Commerce Board • Communications Board • Community FORT



## FORT MORGAN POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT

**TO:** City Manager Pat Merrill, Mayor, and City Council

**FROM:** Keith Kuretich, Chief of Police

**DATE:** December 15, 2009

| November 22, 2009 – December 5, 2009 |      |                  |    |
|--------------------------------------|------|------------------|----|
| Calls For Service                    | 1283 | Parking Summons  | 16 |
| Case Reports                         | 84   | Impounds         | 4  |
| Traffic Summons                      | 52   | Adult Arrests    | 39 |
| Penal/Ordinance Summons              | 35   | Juvenile Arrests | 14 |

### WINTER WEATHER REMINDER

As winter is now upon us, I'd like to take this opportunity to remind the residents of our community of a few laws and ordinances that are commonly violated during winter -- like how parking trailers and vehicles for an extended time is prohibited, how shoveling snow onto the street is prohibited and how people are supposed to clear their car windows completely before driving.

Although Fort Morgan doesn't have an ordinance that requires people to move their vehicles off the roadway anytime several inches or more of snow falls, moving cars off the roadway until the plows remove the snow or the snow melts can make a difference when navigating roadways. Keeping the roadways clear of vehicles when it snows prevents potential accidents, and increases accessibility for snow plows.

Our city does have an ordinance preventing people from shoveling, plowing or blowing snow from private property onto a public street or alley. We've discovered when people put snow onto the roadway; it could cause a motorist to slide and crash. Colorado law requires people to clear the snow and ice from their windshields and to maintain operational windshield wipers.

Although those are the main laws and ordinances that apply at this time of year, Fort Morgan Police agree the biggest concern for police is actually people who continue to drive fast and follow too closely when the roadways are slick. Bad winters have always led to there being more crashes than any other time of the year. Slow down and allow more braking time.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- Chief Kuretich presented to the Optimist Club a history of Law Enforcement in the United States and Fort Morgan.
- Police Department personnel provided the escort and traffic control at the Parade of Lights Downtown Parade.
- The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Blue Santa program was a success after the collection of food, personal care items, grocery shopping cards and a small gift (blankets, gloves or scarves), and a visit from Santa Claus on December 12<sup>th</sup>. All items or funds received through the Blue Santa program are redistributed to locals who have been identified as needing some additional assistance during the holiday season. We focus on older adults and disabled persons living alone. Many of the recipients have no family living close by and spend the holidays alone. The need became evident years ago when the program helped families and began receiving referrals for older adults. Again, this couldn't have been possible without city employees, police families, department volunteers, and most importantly the generosity of the citizens of Fort Morgan who contributed so much.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

- None to report these last two weeks.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEETINGS & APPEARANCES

- Ft Morgan Humane Society • B 106 • Lions Club • 13<sup>th</sup> Jud SB 94 • Community FORT Meeting

### NOVEMBER MONTH END REPORT

ATTACHED