



CPD

Crime Fighters

WEEKLY TOP PERFORMERS

Week # 08-10 February 26, 2010

Message from Chief John S. Thomson...

The dedication and expertise of our officers here at the Camden PD often goes unnoticed, but that does not mean that our officers are not some of the best trained and dedicated in the business. Our Officers are trained to not settle for the obvious or the easy, but to be inquisitive and to listen to our residents. There may be no better illustration of this than the recent actions of Detectives Shawn Donlon and Robert Perkins.

The detectives were called to investigate the death of Kimberly Trimble, who was found laying underneath a belt tied to a tree. The obvious answer was that this was a suicide, but Detectives Donlon and Perkins did not settle for the obvious. Through repeated questioning and investigation it was determined that Ms. Trimble had been a victim of a homicide. This led to the arrest of Joseph Foy, Ms. Trimble's boyfriend.



TOP Cops of the Week

Team Arrests Juvenile in Armed Robbery and Seizes a Shotgun!



Sergeant Zsakhem James



Detective Robert Borger



Officer Ryan Bell

The dedication and hard work of a team during a cold & sleet filled night, comprised by K-9 Unit Sergeant Zsakhem James, Detective Robert Borger and Officer Ryan Bell, led to the arrest of a 17-year-old male involved in an Armed Robbery with a shotgun, which occurred on Monday night in the City of Camden.

On Monday, February 22, 2010, at approximately 9:21pm, after a brief foot pursuit, Sergeant James along with Detective Borger and Officer Bell apprehended the suspect, identified as a 17 year-old male, of the 700 block of Wheatland Court, hiding in the rear bed of a pick up truck, parked on the 800 block of Atlantic Avenue. During the pursuit, officers observed the suspect tossing the shotgun used in the crime in an alleyway, near the site where he was arrested.

The suspect was identified by two of his victims, after he robbed them at gun point in front of a corner store, located on the 1400 block of 10th Street in Camden, minutes before his apprehension.

The 12 gauge double barrel sawed off shotgun was located in an alleyway near 8th Street. The stolen money was recovered and returned to the victim.

The suspect was charged with Armed Robbery, Possession of a Weapon, Possession of a Weapon with an Unlawful Purpose, Resisting Arrest and Eluding an Officer. He was remanded to Lakeland Youth Detention Center.



Officer Daniel Torres

**Officer Daniel Torres
seizes
Loaded .44 caliber Handgun
&
Arrest Dangerous Person!!**

On Thursday February 26, 2010 at around 2:08 am, while on proactive patrol within the vicinity of 25th and Howell Streets, Officer Daniel Torres was approached by the victim who stated that his vehicle had been vandalized and his life threatened by Christopher Purnell, 29, of the 400 block of Earlham Terrace in Philadelphia. Officer Torres immediately circulated the area and spotted Purnell driving a 2009, burgundy Mazda with PA registration, near the corner of 26th and Federal Streets. The vehicle was stopped and Purnell was immediately placed under arrest and transported to the Camden Police headquarters.

A loaded .44 caliber black handgun was recovered from inside the glove compartment of the vehicle that Purnell was driving at the time of his apprehension. Purnell has been charged with numerous weapons offenses, Terroristic Threats and Criminal Mischief. He was remanded to the Camden County Correctional Facility with \$250,000 bail.

The Camden Police Department is hiring part-time School Traffic Guards to work during the school year.

All applicants are required to live in the City of Camden.

For information contact Anita Floyd at 856-757-7137

***The Camden Citizens' Anonymous Tip Line
1-877-345-TIPS (8477)***

\$250 REWARD for the Arrest of ANY Person

Sounds of Gunfire lead to the recovery of Loaded Semi-Automatic Handgun and Arrest of Suspect!!

The quick response of Camden Police Officers Brian Razzi, Neal Long and Gregory Young led to the apprehension of a 43 year old male, in possession of a loaded handgun last Thursday, in the City of Camden.

On Thursday, February 18, 2010 at around 10:57 pm, Officers Brian Razzi and Long responded to the area of Pfeiffer and Westminster Streets, in reference to a report of gunfire. Officer Young, who was in proactive patrol at the McGuire Garden projects, also heard similar sounds and proceed to assist them.

Meanwhile, near the location, Officer Razzi spotted two individuals running from the scene and entering an abandoned house, located on the 100 block on Avenue B, through the rear door. Officer Razzi proceeded to the front door and observed one of the males attempting to exit the property. Upon seeing police, the male reentered the property and was quickly placed under arrest. Inside the property, Officers Long and Razzi located the second suspect, identified as Steven McClain, 43, of the 1000 block of Merrimac Street in Camden, inside the bathroom of the property trying to conceal a black handgun inside the toilet.

The weapon was loaded with 11 live rounds and found to be stolen from Florida.

Both males were transported to the Camden Police Investigative Bureau. McClain was placed under arrest and charged with Unlawful Possession of a Weapon, Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose, Receiving Stolen Property and Certain Person not to Possess a Weapon. He was remanded to the Camden County Jail with bail to be set.



Officer Brian Razzi



Officer Neil Long



Officer Gregory Young