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Weekend 2017

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A Cheektowaga Police officer on duty. (Jim Herr/Cheektowaga Chronicle)

CHEEKTOWAGA, N.Y. – Here's a look at the incident first responders were called out to over Memorial Day weekend (Friday, May 26 – Sunday, May 28). There were 488 calls to dispatchers over the three days. Here's a look at some of the calls.

Friday, May 26:

12:19 am – A mother called from Barbara Place. She is concerned because she has not heard from her son after she dropped him off downtown at the Hotel Lafayette for prom. He is not answering his phone, he went to the prom alone, and did not have plans afterwards. A report was filed. The son was not back home when officers checked at 11:00 am.

1:10 am – A call came in from Evergreen Place. The woman says she is being abused by her wife. Both women were drunk. One of the women was taken to the Quality Inn and was advised to call for an escort in the morning.

2:13 am – A call came in from Clover Place about a stop sign twisted and facing the house instead of the road. The highway department was notified about the issue.

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6:15 am – Someone noticed baby ducks stuck in a sewer grate on Kilbourne Road. The highway department was notified and the ducks were removed.

7:53 am – A call came in to report a car popping on Meadowbrook Parkway.

8:15 am – Mail was reported missing from a mailbox at Gardenvillage Drive. Police filed a report, it turns out nothing was missing, but the box was damaged.

8:16 am – A car popping was called in from Willowlawn Parkway. A two week supply of suboxone was taken along with change.

8:57 am – Firefighters from Bellevue were called out to the Glenwell Senior Living facility on Old Union Road to check out a fire alarm. It turned out to be burnt toast.

9:23 am – A person on Wanda Avenue called in about their neighbor. They say the neighbor places a cone on the street to “keep” their parking spot, and when they return the cone goes back into their truck (with New Jersey plates). No one was home when police went to go check out the situation.

9:48 am – A call came in reporting that someone appears to be stealing aluminum siding off a vacant house on Delavan Avenue.

10:39 am – Police were called about a dog bite incident on Melody Lane. A neighbor was walking her two pitbull type dogs. The dogs were pulling the neighbor when the dogs attacked her boston terrier.

11:08 am – A person was arrested for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle when they were pulled over on Pine Ridge.

1:11 pm – An ambulance was called to Walden Galleria after a man collapsed. He was taken to South Buffalo Mercy Hospital.

1:17 pm – A caller on Pinehurst Avenue says a friend stole checks to the total of \$1,250 from a man who is deceased. The caller says she is power of attorney.

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constantly doing this. The caller asked police to call the daughter and tell her to pick up her kids. The call was made and the grandmother was advised.

3:53 pm – A man was arrested for trespassing outside the 7-Eleven on Harlem near George Urban. A caller said he was begging for money outside the store.

4:00 pm – Someone called to complain about a garage sale sign blocking driver's view on Walden Avenue. It was checked out, there was no issue.

5:55 pm – A call came in about a dog bite on Century Road. EMS crews came to check out the victim, but she said she would get her own ride to the hospital. The dog warden was notified about the incident.

7:19 pm – A phone call came in from Harlem Road, near Huth. An elderly man had been standing outside next to the street for the past two hours. The man told police he thought it was a bus stop. It's not. Police gave him a ride to the stop in Thruway Plaza.

7:52 pm – A neighbor on Lemans Drive called concerned that kids were being left home alone. It turns out a 17-year-old was watching their younger siblings. They were just warned to keep the noise down.

8:42 pm – A young woman was arrested by police for shoplifting at Walden Galleria. She would not provide officers with information during the arrest, and started falling on the ground crying and using an inhaler. She is facing larceny and false personation charges.

10:56 pm – A woman on Deer Terrace called because she couldn't get a bat out of her house. She called later to say the bat appeared to fly out on its own.

Saturday, May 27:

12:54 am – A call came in from the Millenium Hotel, after the front desk was told to call police. They called back to say it was a domestic happening in one of the rooms. The incident was calm when police arrived. One person was arrested for criminal obstruction of breathing or blood circulation, and a domestic incident report was filed.

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2:24 am – A call came in from Slate Creek Drive. A woman was allegedly not being allowed to leave a parked vehicle by a man also inside the car with her. Everyone was advised by police at the scene.

2:32 am – A call came in from Halstead Avenue about a drunk man kicking over lawn ornaments and stepping on lights. Another man was standing next to him watching the damage. One of the men was found by police at Halstead and Reiman, the other was further north on Halstead. They were both arrested for criminal mischief, and a police report was filed.

7:03 am – Police were called about a dog running outbound on the inbound 33. The dog was picked up and placed in the town kennel.

7:16 am – Officers called to deal with an issue between neighbors at the Gardenvillage Apartments. A woman was apparently telling the neighbors who called she would “take matters into her own hands” if they kept calling police on her. She was not there when officers arrived. Officers told the couple who called to avoid their neighbor.

7:38 am – A call came in from Meadow Place about a suspicious man in a tie-dye shirt looking in at cars in the neighborhood. He said he’s from Florida and “doesn’t know north from south”. He was found on Evergreen and arrested for aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

9:05 am – An elderly woman was trying to escort some baby ducks across Union Road, but some were already hit. By the time police got to the scene, they made it across the road.

10:07 am – A call came in from French Road to check out a car parked in the parking lot. Three people were sleeping inside the car. They were told to be on their way.

10:47 am – A person on Anthony Drive says they were chased inside by their neighbor’s loose pitbull. This is an ongoing issue. The dog was back in its yard when police arrived. Everyone was spoken to about the issue.

11:10 am – A driver was pulled over on Union Road near Taco Bell. He was advised to have his dog ride in the cab of his truck, and not the back truck bed.

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kids were picked up safely.

12:07 pm – A caller on Creekside Drive says her front window was shot at around 3:00 am. She did not want to call police at the time because her children were at home. A domestic incident report was filed.

12:40 pm – One woman was arrested for shoplifting at Walden Galleria.

1:55 pm – A mother called from Eggert Road. She said her son and his friends were burning paper in the garage. The son is on PINS (person in need of supervision). It turned out to be one piece of paper. Everyone was advised.

2:27 pm – Police were called to a fight at Losson Garden Apartments. A couple was physically fighting in the hallway before heading into their apartment. The man has a pistol permit, and there were guns in the house. When police got to the scene, the woman was outside and the man was inside. A domestic incident report was filed. One person was arrested, and two handguns along with the pistol permit were confiscated.

2:49 pm – Police were called to look into an unattended death on E. Delavan Avenue.

2:59 pm – Two men were arrested for shoplifting at Walden Galleria.

3:07 pm – A domestic incident report was filed after a man called to say he gave his mother permission to file his taxes, and she kept the refund.

4:10 pm – An underage female and underage male were both arrested for shoplifting at Walden Galleria.

5:05 pm – A caller on Shanley Street says a few men are checking out the vacant house next door. Would not give more information. Police found a man at the back door. He's the resident.

5:27 pm – A woman was arrested for shoplifting at Walden Galleria.

6:12 pm – A call came from Concord Drive. They say their dog was stuck in the back of the couch. They finally got the dog out and it was unresponsive. The callers were advised about 24

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7:17 pm – A man was detained for shoplifting at AutoZone on Walden Avenue. He was told he was no longer welcome in the store, and he would be arrested if he entered it again.

7:25 pm – A man was passed out in a pickup truck in the Tops Plaza on Union. He was arrested for narcotics.

7:59 pm – Police were called just outside of Macy's in Walden Galleria to deal with some harassment. It turned out to be a lover's triangle, and everyone was advised.

8:39 pm – A neighbor on Miami Parkway called to complain about a motorcycle racing up and down the street all day. The rider was advised by police.

8:59 pm – Police were called to meet security at the grocery entrance of Walmart on Walden. A woman was inside the store after she had been banned. She was advised by police to leave and not go back unless she wanted to be arrested.

9:02 pm – Police were called to check out a fight on Cedar Road. Some men were fighting in the street, no weapons were spotted. Everyone who was fighting had taken off in a car within 10 minutes.

9:21 pm – A call came in from the Gulf Station on Harlem Road. A woman used the bathroom there, and it's suspected she used narcotics. She was pulled over by police north of Genesee Street, and arrested for narcotics.

10:41 pm – A group tried skipping out on paying their bill at Longhorn Steakhouse. Everyone was advised by police and the bill was paid.

11:57 pm – Police were called to Gates Street to check out reports of fireworks going off. Everyone was advised to stop. Ten minutes later officers were called back to the same address for open burning and fireworks. The fire was put out and everyone was advised again.

Sunday, May 28:

12:35 am – Police were called to Mighty Taco on Walden Avenue. A woman would not pay her cab bill. She took off on foot, and police were unable to locate her.

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1:03 am – A father on Losson Road said three drunk girls were in his driveway, calling out for his daughter. They were advised by police and sent on their way.

1:05 am – A call came in from Kensington with a woman saying she heard shots fired and there were people all over the place. A bunch of people left by car and by foot. A person living on Burke called to say there was a group of men hiding in their yard. The men were not found. A police report was filed on the incident.

2:24 am – A man walked into Bebe's Place in Sloan already drunk. Bartenders would not serve him. Two other patrons walked the man outside and placed him on a bench. Man was not outside the bar when police arrived. Spotted in his driveway. He was advised.

4:42 am – An employee at NOCO Express on Cleveland Drive says a man is revving his car's engine in the parking lot, and he may be drunk. Officers found the man asleep in his car. He was given a ride home.

4:48 pm – A son called 911 to say his mother's boyfriend is drunk and pushing her around. One arrest was made, a domestic incident report was filled out.

8:32 am – A person on Wagner Street called to complain about open burning last night in the neighbor's yard. They say the fire is still smoldering, and now their home smells like smoke. Everyone was advised.

9:01 am – A woman called 911 and just said "OMG". She called back and said she thinks her father is suffering from alcohol poisoning. He turned out to be very intoxicated but said he would sleep it off.

9:34 am – Officers noticed a loose dog around Olcott Place, and they shortly reunited the pooch and owner.

10:22 am – The owner of Pine Ridge Pizza and Subs called to report a robbery. They noticed the door to the shop was pried open. A police report was filed and evidence was collected and brought back to police headquarters.

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man followed her in a pickup truck before returning home. The woman was going with the kids to stay with her mother.

11:47 am – An officer noticed what looked like a broken down car on Aero Drive. It turns out the owner was just kayaking in the creek.

12:13 pm – Firefighters from Doyle 1 were called out to a car fire on the Thruway. It was extinguished on arrival.

12:43 pm – A sinkhole was reported on Dick Road. The highway department was notified.

12:58 pm – Police were called to a home on Windwood Place twice in one hour. A woman called saying her children's father locked her out of the house and would not give her cell phone back. The phone was retrieved and a half hour later the man called to say she came back and sliced tires on a car in his driveway. Police didn't notice any damage to the car, but they warned the woman to stay away or else she would be arrested.

1:43 pm – Police were called about a dead deer on Beach Road. Highway was notified about the issue yesterday. Now, kids in the neighborhood were petting the deer and trying to open its eyes to wake it up.

2:29 pm – A call came in from Victoria's Secret PINK at Walden Galleria. The store has footage of nearly \$2,000 worth of merchandise being stolen. A police report was filed.

2:57 pm – Police were called out twice to deal with a dispute on Wagner Drive. A neighbor called to complain about a landscaping crew parking on both sides of the street. They say they asked the landscaper to move one of the vehicles and the landscaper told them off. Police asked the landscaper to move, and they complied. Officers were called again because the landscaper says the neighbor flipped him off. Everyone was advised.

3:11 pm – Police were called by a woman on Creekside Drive. She said her neighbor threatened to punch her and cut off his nose. He was holding a knife or scissors at the time. They both agreed to stay away, everyone was advised.