



## Report to the Board: Community Services

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### **School/Youth Programs**

- Cst. Thuss continues to attend SDCI and HCC on an informal basis as well as when contacted by administration.
- SCPS hosted a RAD (Racing Against Drugs) planning meeting for the upcoming RAD event hosted by SCPS in April.
- Cst. Thuss attended two high school law classes, discussions included impaired driving, use of cannabis and its legalization.
- Cst. Thuss attended Mary Wright PS for the first session of the KIDS program.
- Cst. Thuss attended a meeting with the "Risk Watch" safety committee, an injury prevention program for youth.
- Cst. Thuss attended SDCI grade 11 law class assisting with the students mock trial prep.

### **Media**

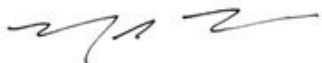
- Media releases and corporate website updates are ongoing with co-ordination with the Town Hall.
- Cst. Thuss completed 5 Radio interviews.
- Officers have tweeted/retweeted on 52 occasions, updating that Strathroy-Caradoc twitter account with information/ongoing events (@scpsofficer).
- Press releases are also being sent to our media partners where applicable.
- 40 Facebook updates on the Strathroy-Caradoc Facebook account. These updates consisted of General Updates, Community Updates/Events, and information on Investigations.
- SCPS continues to post wanted persons on Facebook, two wanted people are posted weekly on Tuesday and known as "turn'em in Tuesdays". Officers are also answering questions and responding to concerns from followers in the Strathroy-Caradoc Police private message area.
- Cst. Thuss attended London City Police to record information videos regarding the criminal record check process.
- Cst. Thuss attended a local farm with Rogers TV Strathroy, to assist with a promotional video on Farm Safety and the importance of giving farm vehicles space on the roadways.

### **Community Events**

- The first week in November was "Crime Prevention Week" highlights included focus on Elder Abuse, SCPS Camera Initiative, Lock it or Lose it and the VIP and KIDS programs.
- Cst. Thuss attended a meeting with the London Middlesex Road Safety Committee as part of The Vision Zero traffic initiative.
- Hometown Hockey was a big highlight this month. SCPS officers were present for the whole event, including walking the downtown during the day and through the night.
- Cst. Thuss attended a meeting with the London Middlesex Elder Abuse committee, Cst. Thuss sits on this committee.

- SCPS hosted an information session on the topic of Elder Abuse at All Saints Catholic Church.
- SCPS had the first “Cram A Cruiser” food drive event at Giant Tiger Strathroy, the cruiser was crammed with food and toys. All proceeds are donated to Strathroy Salvation Army. The next Cram A Cruiser is scheduled for the first week in December at the Real Canadian Superstore.
- Cst. Thuss attended a Suicide Postvention training seminar.
- Cst. Thuss assisted with the planning of the annual Lions Santa Claus Parade in Strathroy. Cst. Thuss along with other officers assisted with traffic control for the parade.
- Cst. Thuss and D/Cst. Graham attended the annual Victim Services volunteer appreciation dinner to represent SCPS.
- Cst. Thuss attended The “Be Well Serve Well” PTSD and mental wellness seminar held in London SCPS Sgt. Cartwright assisted with the planning of this successful event. Over 350 emergency services personnel attended the one-day seminar.

**Respectfully Submitted,**



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