

**Law Enforcement Division  
Bi-Weekly Field Report  
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**DISTRICT 1**

CO Mark Leadman contacted three different groups of anglers on Deer Lake (a catch and release only/no live bait lake) using live bait and keeping walleye. One subject stated that he had called the District Office asking about rules for Deer Lake. Follow up by CO Leadman revealed the subject had been advised of special restrictions on the lake but chose to follow his own rules. Various other ORV and snowmobile violations were also observed. Enforcement action taken.

CO Mark Leadman responded to a complaint of a coyote caught in a snare. Upon arriving at the scene, the complainants stated that although they had not seen the coyote, they could hear it howling. CO Leadman quickly found that the “snared coyote” was actually a couple of beagles chasing rabbits behind a licensed hunter.

CO Mark Leadman was first on the scene of a traffic accident where a female subject left the roadway in her vehicle and struck a tree. Interviews with the subject revealed she had been dialing her cell phone when the accident occurred. It was also suspected that alcohol may have been a contributing factor. Enforcement action taken.

A subject, whose hunting privileges had been revoked through December of last year due to a conviction for possessing an illegal deer, was contacted by PCO Todd Thorn and CO Marv Gerlach regarding his purchase of hunting licenses during the fall of 2010. Enforcement action taken.

While patrolling a snow covered rural Menominee County road, PCO Todd Thorn and CO Marv Gerlach were almost struck head on by a subject driving a Suburban at a high rate of speed. The subject lost control of the vehicle on a curve while straddling the center line of the roadway, narrowly missing the patrol truck. The Suburban left the roadway, sliding backwards into the ditch. The subject then drove away from the scene before the COs could get the patrol truck turned around. The COs were able to get the subject stopped four miles down the road. The subject did not see a problem with his driving. Alcohol was not involved but a ticket for careless driving was issued.

CO David Miller was called out from home to look for missing 17 year old angler on Keweenaw Bay, by the boy’s mother. After a quick search, the angler was located and was fine. He forgot about the curfew his mother had set.

CO Jason Wicklund worked a late night group patrol with Wisconsin Wardens concentrating on border lakes. With sub-zero temperatures, very few anglers were out on the ice. The COs contacted several individuals fishing who said they caught “a few perch” and when checked, one undersized walleye was found. Other violations

encountered during the patrol included unattended lines, and failing to identify ice shacks.

CO Brian Bacon worked bluegill anglers on the Groveland Mine Pond system. One angler was found to be in possession of 68 bluegill. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Brett Gustafson heard of a rumor that a wolf was shot and killed during the predator hunt in Ontonagon County last weekend. He contacted the suspect, obtained a confession, seized the hunting rifle and filed charges for the illegal take of a grey wolf.

CO Dennis Gast checked a small lake in south Houghton County for fish activity. One angler was found in possession of a short pike, while driving his ORV without a helmet, while holding an open container of beer. Another short pike was found at the cabin. The subject was ticketed for possession of short fish.

## **DISTRICT 2**

COs John Wenzel and Reid Roeske worked snowmobilers in Grand Marias over the weekend. One subject was ticketed for careless operation. The subject was traveling at speeds close to 100 mph and had placed his trail permit behind his tinted windshield, which prevented COs from seeing it.

CO John Wenzel checked a permitted ORV race area after the race was over. He found a woman operating a pickup in a careless manner on the track area. Upon checking the driver and the male passenger, open intoxicants were found and a ticket was issued. A warning was issued for careless operation.

COs Reid Roeske and John Wenzel worked complaints of extra and unattended lines on Little Bay DeNoc. At one point, they observed two anglers leave their shanty and drive off the ice. The anglers returned almost an hour later. The COs contacted them and asked why they had left their lines unattended. With no answer forthcoming, tickets were issued.

CO Jeff Panich reports that several subjects from Mackinac Island contested snowmobile tickets in the 92nd District Court. They argued that the Island folk don't need to follow the snowmobile regulations. The court and prosecutor disagreed and all subjects paid their fines and costs.

COs Derek Miller and Mike Hammill observed a subject on a snowmobile who appeared nervous when he saw the two COs. Unable to establish enough probable cause the COs didn't make a stop at that time. Later in the day the subject was encountered again and observed that something was not right with his trail permit. Upon contact the COs found that he had used the bottom portion of his fishing license as a makeshift snowmobile trail permit. When questioned, he stated that he thought it was worth the gamble. Further investigation revealed that the subject was operating on a revoked or

suspended driver's license and that he had never transferred the snowmobile registration into his name. Enforcement action taken.

COs in Mackinac County along with Wildlife Division recovered yet another wolf and an investigation is underway. Within the same week COs in Chippewa County received a complaint of a wolf being poached. The investigation turned up a gunshot wolf and that investigation continues as well.

CO Kevin Postma responded to a call for help on Munuscong Bay. A husband and wife team was out enjoying a day of ice fishing when their Yamaha Rhino broke through the ice. The female subject had gone into the water with the ORV and was quite cold. CO Postma was able to winch their ORV from the water and get them on their way.

### **DISTRICT 3**

CO Steve Speigl was on Lake Charlevoix checking ice shanties for set lines when he observed a pickup truck on the ice and the driver of the truck checking several nearby tip-ups. The driver left the area in the truck and did not return. After several hours of surveillance, CO Speigl seized the tip-ups and contacted the angler the following day. He was issued a ticket for leaving nine fishing lines unattended and warned for failing to place his name and address on the tip-ups.

CO Eric Bottorff, Sgt. Greg Drogowski and Wildlife Division employees recovered a hound that had been killed by a sow bear and dragged into the den. COs had received a report of the incident the day it happened and met with the hunters on scene. The hunters had their dogs running a bobcat when they passed within a few feet of a bear den. The dogs apparently then switched to check out the bear scent and woke the hibernating sow bear with young cubs. A fight ensued in which the one dog was killed. The sow was later tranquilized and biological information collected from her and the cubs, and a radio collar was affixed for further research. At the same time, the remains of the hound were recovered, along with its tracking collars, and returned to the owner.

CO Michael Feagan and Sgt. Greg Drogowski found a group of people winter camping in a remote area of the Pigeon River Country state forest. The problem was that they had used snowmobiles and trucks in prohibited areas to get there, and to "look around the area". Enforcement action was taken on the motor vehicle for state land violations.

CO Michael Feagan and Sgt. Greg Drogowski watched a subject along with his young son tending eight fishing lines. Upon contact, the COs observed a live undersized pike on the ice. The subject quickly grabbed the pike and threw it into a hole, whereby the pike swam away. Enforcement action was taken.

Old habits die hard for recently retired Sgt. Chris Morris; while fishing for pike he noticed an angler with five tip-ups. He went and talked with the angler, who stated he had a child in the cabin. Sgt. Morris called in the complaint and CO Nick Torsky responded. No children were at the cabin and a ticket for fishing with too many lines was issued.

CO Mark DePew watched three anglers tending lines on a local lake with no success. Contact was made with the subjects, two of whom did not have fishing licenses and were also on parole. Tickets were issued for fishing without licenses.

CO Mark DePew was driving down the road and saw a vehicle parked on the side of road partially blocking traffic. CO DePew turned around to check on the occupants and observed the occupants stuffing something under their seats when he pulled behind them. The driver stated they had run out of gas and decided to drink some beer while they waited for a friend to come with some gas. A ticket was issued for possessing open intoxicants.

CO Bill Webster patrolled Beaver Lake during a tournament and located an empty ice shanty with tip-ups set up around it; he then tripped one of the flags and waited for the owners to check on it. Almost an hour later the angler finally came and checked the tip-up and was also issued a ticket for not having his lines under his immediate control.

CO Bill Webster continued his patrol on Beaver Lake and found 16 tip-ups with no one around them; he then set a couple of them off and waited for the owners to show up. He did not have to wait as long this time, only 14 minutes when three anglers came out and checked the lines. CO Webster asked about the 16 lines and they stated there were two more anglers at the cabin. CO Webster contacted the other two anglers and everybody had a license but were still one line over their limit of 15. A ticket was issued to one of the anglers for fishing with an extra line and given warnings for not having their lines under their immediate control.

#### **DISTRICT 4**

CO Justin Vanderlinde contacted two subjects fishing on Cedar Lake in Leelanau County and discovered that the subjects were fishing with 10 lines. One of the subjects was also fishing without a license. CO Vanderlinde ticketed each subject for fishing with extra lines and gave a warning for fishing without a license.

CO Justin Vanderlinde assisted the Benzie County Sheriff Department and the Michigan State Police (MSP) with a reported suspicious situation. Upon arrival of the officers, the suspect fled the area on foot. CO Vanderlinde assisted in the pursuit which led to a house in the woods. While at the house, the officers were made aware that the suspect had been given a ride to town by the homeowner. A short time later, CO Vanderlinde identified the subject walking in the downtown area and detained him for further investigation. The subject was an illegal alien and was placed into custody to await his second deportation.

COs Sean Kehoe and Justin Vanderlinde received a complaint of an abandoned snowmobile that was partially submerged and frozen into a remote lake in Grand Traverse County. Due to the amount of the snow, vehicles have been unable to get into this area for some time. The COs used a snowmobile and ORV to respond and recover

the abandoned snowmobile. Inspection of the 2011 snowmobile revealed that it was stolen from the Fife Lake area in early February. The snowmobile was removed from the lake and turned over to MSP.

CO Brian Brosky ticketed an Illinois resident for purchasing 11 resident deer kill tags, including several apprentice antlerless tags. This subject was originally contacted by Sgt. Kevin Hackworth after being stopped on a snowmobile for traveling down the middle of the road in Mason County. The operator was asked about his license purchases after it was observed that he was carrying multiple resident kill tags on his person along with an Illinois driver's license. A follow-up investigation by CO Brosky resulted in the discovery of the illegal license purchases.

CO Troy VanGelderren conducted an investigation of a subject who had purchased multiple deer hunting licenses. CO VanGelderren interviewed the subject and was informed that he had shot a five point buck. Before the interview was completed, CO VanGelderren observed a four point buck head in the backyard with a tag on it. The subject admitted that he had shot that buck as well. CO VanGelderren checked the license and confirmed that the license belonged to the subject's son. Tickets were issued to address the possession of the illegally taken buck.

Sgt. Mike Bomay was on patrol in Mecosta County when he observed the head of a buck deer hanging in a tree. Sgt. Bomay contacted a subject at the residence who stated that his father had shot the four point buck. Sgt. Bomay checked the deer tag still attached to the antlers and determined that the tag belonged to the wife of the alleged shooter. A records check with the retail sales system confirmed that the female had never purchased a deer hunting license before and this tag was purchased on November 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Sgt. Bomay interviewed the female who had purchased the license and obtained a confession of purchasing the license for her husband at his request after he had shot the buck on opening day. A ticket was issued for the tagging violation.

## **DISTRICT 5**

CO Chris Bowen responded to a litter complaint and located a large pile of trash along a remote county road. Among the trash, he found mail with a name and address, which led him to a subject who confessed to dumping his trash in lieu of taking it to the transfer station.

While on patrol, CO Jon Warner observed an area with heavy deer runways in the snow. He walked the adjacent state land along the property line and observed several mangers that had been freshly filled with hay. They were near a seasonal cabin and were accessible to deer. Also placed near the cabin was a large amount of corn scattered on the ground. Both deer and turkey were in the area. The property owner was contacted and admitted to placing the feed out for the deer.

CO Chris Bowen located a remote area where fresh wood cutting had taken place. He checked the area on several different days at various times and finally contacted a subject cutting firewood during the closed period.

CO Mike Hearn responded to a wood cutting complaint. Having run out of firewood for the season, the subject had filled a 6x6 military truck with wood.

CO Rebecca Hopkins responded to a complaint of road hunting and located the suspect vehicle parked alongside a road with the engine running. Inside the vehicle was a loaded rifle and the owner was standing next to the truck. Another subject was located just inside the woods with a rifle and was not wearing hunter orange. Tickets were issued.

CO Rebecca Hopkins located a vehicle matching the description of the suspect in a domestic violence and kidnapping case who had fled the scene. Officer Hopkins stopped the subject, identified him as the wanted individual, and turned him over to local police.

## **DISTRICT 6**

CO Nick Atkin responded to a complaint of a deer carcass that had been dumped. During the investigation, the CO contacted a subject who was wanted on an outstanding warrant. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Nick Atkin was checking anglers on Saginaw Bay when he observed two subjects come off the Bay on an ORV without wearing helmets and riding double. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Nick Atkin was dispatched to a situation where multiple anglers were reported lost on Saginaw Bay overnight. The CO was setting up search operations when the missing subjects came in. Both were identified and advised they were not injured or in need of medical attention.

After receiving a complaint about a large amount of litter dumped in a ditch, CO Seth Rhodea was able to retrieve numerous letters with addresses on them. Upon contacting the subject listed on the address, the subject stated that his daughter's boyfriend had taken the trash and said he was going to throw it away. When CO Rhodea contacted the boyfriend, he admitted that he had put the trash in the ditch instead of paying to haul it to the dump. Enforcement action was taken.

While patrolling on Saginaw Bay, CO Seth Rhodea located a waterfowl blind that had not been removed after the close of waterfowl season. CO Rhodea was able to determine who the owner was and issued a ticket for failing to remove his blind.

While conducting an inspection of a taxidermy business, CO Daniel Lee located a large eight point rack with a suspicious tag. The tag had been validated on November 15,

2010, but had been purchased that same day at 7:00 p.m., well after legal hunting hours. The taxidermist's records indicated that the deer had been taken on the 15<sup>th</sup> and there was even a newspaper clipping with a picture of the deer hanging at a buck pole on the 15<sup>th</sup> as well. The information was passed to CO Quincy Gowenlock who contacted the hunter to discuss the tagging issue. The hunter admitted to shooting the deer without a license, left it lay until after dark and returned to retrieve it with the freshly purchased tag. Tickets were issued and the large set of antlers and the firearm used were seized.

CO Chad Foerster conducted numerous minnow dealer inspections during the last several weeks and came across a business who failed to get his 2011 license. The CO inspected the same business two years prior and ticketed the business for failing to obtain his minnow dealer license. The store owner told the CO that the fines and costs amounted to \$300 for that year. When asked why he failed to get his license this year, he stated that it must have slipped his mind. Another ticket was issued.

CO Quincy Gowenlock has been attempting to locate several subjects operating snowmobiles in the Gratiot/Saginaw State Game Area. The CO observed four sleds drive around a locked gate and foot traffic only signs off Buchanan Road. The CO was able to apprehend and ticket the subjects.

While on patrol in Montcalm County, CO Ken Lowell located an angler on an inland lake. While watching the angler the CO observed him catch a northern pike and not measure the fish. The angler was using three tip-ups and one jigging rod. Upon contact with the angler, the CO measured the fish and determined that it was not 24 inches. The angler also admitted to using too many lines. Enforcement action was taken.

COs Larn Strawn and Quincy Gowenlock arrested two subjects on warrants for the illegal taking of a deer. The arrest warrants stemmed from a previous investigation conducted by CO Strawn. The persons killed two antlerless deer with firearms during the closed season. During the course of the investigation CO Strawn served a search warrant at a residence. While searching for the antlerless deer, CO Strawn discovered the hide of a spotted fawn that was salted and stretched to a board. The hide bore an entry and exit wound consistent with a large caliber firearm. The subject explained that they took the fawn the previous summer because they were going to teach themselves to tan deer hides and needed a specimen.

## **DISTRICT 7**

While on patrol in west Barry County, CO Patrick McManus watched three subjects operating snowmobiles down the middle of the roadway near Yankee Springs Recreation Area. When contact was attempted one of the subjects fled the scene. Sgt. Jeff Rabbers located the subject at a nearby residence and escorted him back to the scene. An admission was obtained from the subject for leaving the scene due to his

suspended license. It was also discovered that the subjects were short on registrations and trail permits, and one other subject also had a suspended license.

While on patrol for area fishing activity, CO Mike Mshar located a subject sitting in her vehicle at an access site. Contact with the subject revealed she had been operating a vehicle while suspended and had an outstanding warrant. The subject was lodged on the warrant and given a warning for operating while suspended.

CO Mike Mshar reported that an illegal deer cases from this past fall resulted in fines and costs over \$1,200 and restitution of \$5,500.

CO Mike McGee completed an investigation regarding a non-resident who had purchased resident licenses. The subject had made the purchases over the last two years and restitution in the amount of \$285 for the difference in the price of the licenses is being requested, along with the court assessed penalty.

COs Jeff Robinette and Andy Bauer were patrolling for hunting activity when CO Bauer was contacted by a subject who stated that someone was operating a snowmobile on the closed snowmobile trail. Almost all of the area snow is gone, with very small amounts in a few spots. The COs located the two snowmobilers, and found that they had been ticketed for various violations earlier in the year. They stated that even though almost all of the snow was gone, they were trying to get in one more ride for the year. They were warned for the violation and advised to return home.

CO Andy Bauer obtained a six count warrant for a non-resident who had been purchasing resident licenses for a number of years. On top of court fines, CO Bauer is seeking restitution of \$870 for the difference in license prices.

CO Greg Patten was alerted by Ottawa County COs Ivan Perez and BJ Goulette of heavy smoke observed at a location in Muskegon County. CO Patten responded to the scene to find a subject burning a large quantity of household refuse he had removed from a rental unit and chose to burn rather than legally dispose at a landfill. CO Patten requested assistance from the local fire department and ticketed the subject for violation of the Solid Waste Management Act. A records check indicated this subject was wanted on an outstanding warrant and was lodged at the Muskegon County Jail.

CO BJ Goulette ticketed a hunter who had taken a bobcat with a firearm while predator calling in Mason County, which is closed to bobcat hunting.

CO BJ Goulette assisted local deputies with charges against a coyote hunter for trespassing and reckless discharge of a firearm. The hunter fired numerous rounds from a centerfire rifle while standing on the centerline of a roadway next to a residence. This incident involved coyote hunters hunting with dogs while trespassing on private land.

CO Dave Rodgers, while checking anglers on Reeds Lake, approached a small shanty and peered into the window and observed two anglers. CO Rodgers announced his presence and watched one angler hand his rod to the other stating "You're the only one fishing". Rodgers verbally reminded them that they were sitting in a tent which is not soundproof. One subject was ticketed for fishing without a license.

CO Cary Foster in Ionia County reported late season snowmobile activity near the Ionia Recreation Area. During his patrols he ticketed one operator for driving while suspended and another for careless operation after the driver approached 90 mph along a roadway. Other violations included no trail permits and unregistered snowmobiles.

CO Mike Mshar investigated a panfish overlimit at a local lake after receiving numerous complaints of subjects double tripping to take overlimits each day. COs Mshar and Patrick McManus detained and ticketed two subjects found taking their second daily limit of panfish at the lake and further discovered 1200 panfish being stored at a local establishment where the subjects were supplying fish for fish fry dinners. The COs had received complaints from other anglers at the lake during past seasons regarding the subjects and the large number of fish they take each day.

CO Mike Mshar responded to a call after a local deputy observed a fresh deer leg on the porch of a home he recently visited. CO Mshar interviewed the homeowner who admitted shooting the deer in February with his muzzleloader.

CO Patrick McManus worked the Pine Creek Flooding in Allegan County in plain clothes in response to continued panfish overlimit complaints during the past few seasons. One subject told the CO that he had taken his limit that morning and that he had 21 more fish that afternoon already. CO McManus identified himself as the angler was leaving the lake, and after follow up at the subject's residence, issued a ticket for taking 21 bluegills over the daily limit.

## **DISTRICT 8**

CO Dan Prince contacted two subjects trespassing on the railroad tracks while hunting for rabbits. One subject was not wearing the required hunter orange garment. Enforcement action was taken.

COs Dan Bigger and Jeff Walker contacted numerous subjects hunting small game on state land. Two of the subjects contacted were hunting without hunting licenses. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Dan Bigger was almost run off the road by an erratic driver. CO Bigger stopped the offending vehicle and found that the driver was operating the vehicle with a suspended license. The subject posted the required bond and a legal driver took over the driving duties. Enforcement action was also taken.

CO Shane Webster contacted numerous individuals on a local lake ice fishing with too many lines. The excuse was that their friends who were fishing with the extra lines had "just run to the house". Enforcement action was taken.

Sgt. Troy Bahlau reports that a Jackson County deer season case has been finalized through the courts. The subject who was charged with four illegal deer was found guilty on all charges. The subject was sentenced to 21 days in jail, paid \$4,000 restitution, paid \$250 fines and costs and lost his hunting privileges for four years.

While working an area known for illegal road hunting activity, CO Brad Brewer observed a subject climb on the toolbox in the bed of a pickup truck and shoot a coyote with his 22-250 rifle. The vehicle then proceeded down the road with the subject still holding his loaded firearm. The subjects were also hunting without the required hunter orange garments. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Dan Prince reported that two subjects were convicted on numerous charges from last fall's deer season, including hunting without licenses, hunting over illegal bait, no hunter orange, possess illegally taken deer, firearm deer hunt in zone three with rifles, and possession of marijuana. The subjects paid fines, costs, and restitution of \$2,991.

CO Pete Purdy contacted a subject who stated that he was a very avid angler and that he fished almost every weekend. When CO Purdy asked for his fishing license the subject stated he left it at home. Further investigation revealed that the subject had not purchased a fishing license since 2007. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Jason J. Smith observed two subjects fishing and keeping undersized pike. CO Smith observed a third subject walk up to the first two subjects to advise them that it was illegal to keep undersized fish, to which the two subjects responded "Oh well". CO Smith contacted the first two subjects and also located illegal marijuana. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Shane Webster worked on a timber trespass case that involved a subject who was cutting down trees on state land to use as firewood. When interviewed the subject stated that he knew he was taking the wood from state land and had planned to only take a little but when he got greedy he couldn't stop cutting down trees. Enforcement action was taken and restitution will be sought.

## **DISTRICT 9**

CO John Borkovich assisted in the investigation of a complaint where a screwdriver was used to break in to a residence and a credit card was stolen and used. CO Borkovich followed boot tracks leading to the residence of a man who had a previous record of home invasion. CO Borkovich obtained a confession from the subject and he was taken into custody by the sheriff's department. The sheriff's department is attempting to tie this subject with several other break-ins.

While on patrol CO Dan Walzak happened upon an accident where a vehicle slid off the icy road and rolled over into a ditch. CO Walzak was able to open the rear door of the SUV and assist the young driver and his dog out of the vehicle as the driver's side was taking on water. The driver was uninjured and the incident was turned over to local law enforcement.

CO Lacelle Rabon was checking Belanger Park for fishing activity when he encountered two boats at the marina. There were two subjects in a flat bottom boat and three subjects were in a 20 foot boat. All five subjects were cold and almost frozen because they had to re-chop the ice to get back to the boat ramp as it had re-frozen. Due to the ice in the boat ramp being frozen, they had to walk on the ice to get up to the dock and to their vehicles. After extensive chopping of the ice, they were able to back their boat trailers onto the ice close to open water and get their boats onto the trailers. After several minutes the subjects were all safe on land and their boats and equipment secured. All subjects had licenses and they even had a few perch.

CO Todd Szyska checked several anglers, one of whom was a Tennessee resident who had not purchased a fishing license. CO Szyska also contacted three subjects riding on an ORV designed for one and none of them were wearing helmets. Enforcement action was taken. Officer Szyska also took enforcement action after stopping a couple of snowmobiles that were illegally operating on a nearby roadway.

CO Todd Szyska approached a shanty to check the subjects inside for fish, and was overcome by the odor of marijuana coming from the shanty. The subjects were surprised to see the CO when they opened the door. One subject admitted to smoking marijuana and CO Szyska found a pill container with marijuana in it. Another subject in the shanty had a misdemeanor warrant for his arrest and did not have a fishing license. CO Szyska is seeking a warrant for the possession of marijuana and took enforcement action on the other violations.

CO Kris Kiel and PCO Mike Drexler received a complaint of a sinking shanty on Lake St. Clair. By putting together information provided by several individuals the COs were able to develop a suspect and interview him. Enforcement action was taken.

While working Lake St. Clair, CO Kris Kiel and PCO Mike Drexler made several fishing contacts. The COs contacted two subjects with 103 perch between them. A ticket was issued for an overlimit. The COs contacted a male and female walking off the ice. The couple claimed to have about 50 perch but upon inspection were found to have a total of 63. The male subject stated he forgot his license at home and the woman provided one. A better look at the female's license revealed a junior license. The female admitted to not purchasing a license and that she borrowed the license from a friend's younger sister. During the questioning, it was also determined the male subject had never purchased a license. Enforcement action was taken.

## **DISTRICT 21**

Det. Bill Ford reports that on March 4, 2011, while conducting hazardous waste hauler patrol activities at the I-94 Welcome Center, he observed a truck/tanker eastbound with a hazardous waste placard. The vehicle was stopped for an inspection and the driver was found to have a criminal bench warrant for dangerous drugs out of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department. The warrant was confirmed and the driver lodged in the Berrien County jail pending pickup.