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# New Year, New Adventures

Corporal Nick Lang and Officer Divas Alibasic

**The Brentwood Police Department has partnered with St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy to assign an officer, full time, to the academy as an instructor. Corporal Nick Lang was handpicked by the command staff at the academy as one of their newest academy instructors. We are very proud of Corporal Lang and are confident he will be an exceptional representative of the City of Brentwood.**

While we will miss Corporal Lang, we are excited to announce we were able to onboard Officer Divas Alibasic. Officer Alibasic comes to us with several years of experience with the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department. Below is a brief biography of Officer Alibasic.

Divas Alibasic moved here with his family from Bosnia in the late 1990's and grew up learning Bosnian and American culture, simultaneously. Divas practiced Shindo Jinen-Ryu Karate for over ten years and is still very passionate about traditional martial arts. He developed a hobby with cars and motorcycles and strives to help his family in any way possible.

Officer Alibasic has wanted to be a police officer since he was a child. When he was 21 years old, he began his law enforcement career with the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department. After four years of service, Divas took the next step in his career and applied with the Brentwood Police Department. Officer Alibasic is proud to serve a community that cares about each other and their police officers.

If you see Officer Alibasic, please say hello, introduce yourself, and welcome him to our fine city.

# Officer Recognitions

October, November 2022 Officers of the Month



**During the month of October Officer Mundorf was selected as Officer of the Month and below is a snapshot from his nomination.**

On 10/10/2022, Officer Mundorf conducted a traffic stop on a suspicious vehicle in the Hanley Industrial Ct. After initially investigating the driver for traffic violations, it was determined she was in possession of methamphetamine. The driver was also wanted for Tampering 1st from Jefferson County.

On 10/11/2022, this department received a call from a suicide hotline in reference to a guest at the Springhill Suites. Officer Mundorf responded and after determining the location of the guest in question, he was given entry to the hotel room where the subject was located unconscious. Officer Mundorf removed the cord surrounding the subject's neck, causing him to gasp for air and regain consciousness. The subject was then transported to the hospital in stable condition.

On 10/24/2022, Officer Mundorf, along with Corporal Wurth, responded to the YMCA in reference to a male subject attempting to capture a photograph of a male juvenile in the locker room. Upon his arrival, Officer Mundorf observed a male subject matching the description given to dispatch by the juvenile's father. That subject was immediately taken into custody. Officer Mundorf interviewed the subject who admitted to placing his iPhone over a bathroom stall occupied by a male juvenile.

During the month of October, Officer Mundorf was assigned 90 total incidents. That included 19 traffic stops resulting in 26 citations.



**During the month of November Officer Alex Wilcox was selected as Officer of the Month and below is a snapshot from his nomination.**

In November of 2022, CRO Wilcox began an investigation into numerous thefts of power tools from Home Depot. CRO Wilcox was able to determine the subject stealing the power tools was working with another suspect who was utilizing several online platforms to sell the stolen items across the United States and Europe. CRO Wilcox spent countless hours investigating, planning, coordinating, and preparing documents that culminated into the issuance of a search warrant. CRO Wilcox coordinated with the St. Louis County Tactical Operations Team to execute the search warrant on November 15, 2022. Approximately 50 stolen power tools, from Home Depot, with a value of \$21,244.00 were recovered from the suspect's residence. During an interview, the second suspect admitted they had been purchasing stolen Home Depot power tools, on a weekly

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basis, for approximately a year and a half.

## Saturation Details

More than ten law enforcement agencies teamed up in November and December to saturate central and west county municipalities in an effort to curb violent crime. Brentwood Police Department participated in two of the three dates that were selected for this effort of targeted enforcement.

Overall, these efforts were very successful yielding numerous felony arrests, seizure of weapons, and recovered stolen vehicles.



A meeting is planned in early January of 2023 to review procedure, policy, and to include more agencies who have shown interest in participating. Also, as a part of the 2023 efforts, we aim to operate these details in conjunction with St. Charles County's saturation detail, St. Louis County's targeted enforcement, and St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department's Anti-Crime unit.

Our hope is to collaborate with other agencies in our region to combat the rampant vehicle-related and violent crime we've seen over the last several years.

As I say in every newsletter, please lock your doors, keep guns and valuables with you, and call 911 if you see something suspicious.