

**MIDDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY REPORT**



APRIL 2013

ITEMS OF INTEREST

After a long and drawn out winter, everyone is itching to get outside and enjoy some nice weather. From gardening, to biking, to taking a walk through the City's wonderful conservancy trails, everyone can find some enjoyable outdoor activity as the weather starts to warm up. With the increase of outdoor activity, the Police Department also sees a reoccurring trend of certain crimes during this time of the year. A few helpful reminders are listed below to help prevent you or your family from being a victim during this beautiful time of year.

- When leaving your house, even if you are only going to be gone for a short period of time, secure your house by locking your doors and closing your windows. Burglars will take advantage of an open window or an unlocked door if the opportunity presents itself.
- Secure your valuables, including lawn mowers, garden tools and other miscellaneous items when not in use.
- Secure your bicycle by using a secure locking device. Additionally, obtain a free City of Middleton bike license to help in the recovery and return of your bike if it does go missing. You can obtain a free bike license by visiting: www.middletonpd.com
- Secure your vehicle, including locking all of your doors, even if your vehicle is parked in your driveway. Theft of valuables from automobiles continues to be a crime which the Police Department responds to frequently.
- Report any suspicious activity to the Police Department immediately. Weekly, the Police Department takes belated reports of crimes or other incidents which had occurred in the city and many times witnessed by a neighbor or the victim themselves. Report any suspicious incident to the Police Department in a timely manner as this helps with the solving of many crimes and the apprehension of those responsible.

CRIME PREVENTION/COMMUNITY RELATIONS **ACTIVITIES**

Community Events

On Tuesday, April 2, Middleton Police did a security check of The Little Red Preschool and also gave a presentation to employees about active shooters.

On April 5, Middleton Police did a security check of Middleton Outreach Ministry.

On Tuesday, April 9, Middleton Police went to the Middleton 50 Year Anniversary celebration at the Middleton Fire Department. Police interacted with children and handed out baseball cards and stickers.

On Thursday, April 11, Middleton Police gave an elementary student a ride to school and visited students at St. Maria Elementary School.

On Thursday, April 11, Middleton Police attended a job fair at Black Hawk Technical College.

On Wednesday, April 17, Middleton Police gave a presentation to employees at TDS on active shooters.

On Thursday, April 18, Middleton police gave a student a ride to school and also gave a short presentation to his class at Country View Elementary School.

On Thursday, April 25, Middleton Police participated in Career Day at Windsor Elementary School.

On Monday, April 30, Middleton Police gave a tour of the Police Department to a Girl Scout troop.

If you would like more information or would like to involve the Police Department in a community presentation or event, please contact Community Awareness Officer Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.



If you would like to join the Middleton Business Watch or need to update your contact information, please contact Community Awareness Officer Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.

Citizens can subscribe to receive Middleton Business Watch email alerts and other informational emails on the Police Department's website at middletonpd.com.



Citizens' Academy

The 2013 Middleton Police Citizens' Academy started in April. Classes this month were Orientation/Problem Oriented Policing, Traffic/OWI/Radar, Investigations and Drugs/Gangs. A Dane County Sheriff's Office Detective also gave a presentation on gangs and a K9 officer from the Fitchburg Police Department demonstrated a vehicle search for drugs.

If you live or work in Middleton and are interested in attending a future academy, please contact Community Awareness Officer Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.



VIPS assist the Middleton Police Department by performing tasks which free up officers to work on more important police matters. VIPS help at events like GNF (Good Neighbor Festival), National Night Out and Family Safety Day and with programs like Speed Watch and Safe Assured IDs.

Junior VIPS are teens age 14 to 17 years old. We also have an Associate VIPS program where family members of VIPS and civic groups can assist VIPS with events without having to become individual VIPS members.

If you are interested in the Middleton Police Department VIPS program, please contact Community Awareness Officer Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.



Safe Assured ID Kits

Middleton Police will take reservations for having kits made. Kits are free for Middleton residents or MCPASD students.

If you would like to register, have the ID system at an event or if you would like to donate money for the purchase of more kits, please contact Community Awareness Officer Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.

Community Awareness Fund

Middleton Community Awareness Programs such as GREAT, Speed Watch, National Night Out, Citizens' Academy, Bike Safety Day, NSI Family Safety Day and Shop with a Cop are funded almost entirely from community donations. **We need your help!** If you would like to donate money to the Community Awareness Fund please send a check or money order to "**Middleton Community Police Partnership Inc.**" or "**MICOPP Inc.**", 7341 Donna Drive, Middleton, WI, 53562.

Together we can make a difference. If you have any questions about donations or programs, please contact CAO Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.

OPERATIONS DIVISION

In March, Middleton Officers handled 1,602 calls for service, 729 were field initiated, 873 were dispatched, issued 568 citations and 128 written warnings, made 14 criminal arrests and investigated 42 accidents.

In April, Middleton Officers handled 1,540 calls for service, 601 were field initiated, 939 were dispatched, issued 534 citations and 87 written warnings, made 12 criminal arrests and investigated 36 accidents.

Significant Events in April:

MI13-2119, 04/02/13, 5:52 PM, 1500 N Gammon Road, Accident
Witnesses reported a vehicle travelling north on Gammon Road exceeding 70 mph and then observed the vehicle travel in the opposite lane of traffic. The vehicle struck a southbound vehicle head on. The driver of the suspect vehicle, Charles Butler, of Madison, WI, was not injured and was charged with 1st Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety, Causing Injury while Intoxicated, Unreasonable and Imprudent Speed, Operating Left of Center, Operating while Suspended and Obstructing the Police. The operator of the victim vehicle was transported to a local hospital with non-life threatening injuries, but did undergo surgery.

MI13-2148, 04/04/13, 1:30 AM, 6400 block of Century Avenue, Armed Robbery
A neighbor reported hearing a struggle and people yelling in a nearby apartment. Police determined that an armed robbery had occurred. The victims were less than cooperative and would only report that PS# and Xbox video games were taken, although the police are certain this was a drug rip. Latif Williams, of Middleton, was battered and had a

broken nose. He was arrested for a Parole warrant. Martha Salazar, of Middleton, was arrested for Obstructing the Police because she put a cell phone in her bra and would not turn it over to the police. The phone was recovered at jail, where the couple spent the night.

MI13-2315, 04/10/13, 3700 block of Parmenter Street, Construction Site Burglary
Copper wire, extension cords and phone wires were taken from a construction site.

MI13-2390, 04/12/13, 9:51 PM, Marriott, Underage Drinking and Theft
Marriott hotel security notified the police of underage drinking from a UW Fraternity party. Five UW students were cited for Underage Drinking, one for Supplying Alcohol to Underage Persons and one for Theft.

MI13-2467, 04/15/13, 7600 block of Voss Parkway, Residential Burglary
Forced entry to a rear door leading into the garage. Nothing was taken. A K9 was brought in with negative results.

MI13-2549, 04/19/13, 1:42 PM, 1700 Deming Way, Theft from Vehicle
A vehicle's window was broken out and a purse and contents were taken. Cash, prescription medications, identity cards and a cell phone were among items taken.

MI13-2534, 04/19/13, 10:49 PM, 6900 Century Avenue, OWI Injury Accident
The driver of a vehicle rear ended another vehicle, injuring the other driver. The driver fled the scene, but was arrested a short distance away. Paul Rost, of Middleton, was charged with OWI 5th Offense, Hit and Run Causing Injury, Operating after Revocation and Possession of Marijuana.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

Officers attended several different traffic safety related training sessions during April. Officers Kathleen Riffenburg and Jessica Quamme attended Traffic and Impaired Driving Law as part of the Drug Recognition Expert annual training, Officer Mike Wood attended Motorcycle Officer In-Service, Officer Jesse Sellek attended the two week Basic Motorcycle Officer training and is now certified to be our second motor officer, and Cesar Salinas attended Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement.

Officers Wood and Sellek will begin traffic patrol duties on the motorcycle starting in mid-May, with two officers now assigned we will have coverage every day of the week for this important function. Sgt. Terry Hanson has also been assigned as the supervisor for the unit.

In April, the Department received the new compact laser speed detection device that is SMART grant funded through the Dane County Sheriff's Department. Officer Greg Dixon will train new officers in its use since it is a different model than our current ones.

There were 33 reportable accidents of which ten were in parking lots. Last year in April, there were 19 reportable accidents of which ten were in parking lots.

About 22 hours of non-funded directed traffic patrols were performed during the month. Streets targeted were Highway 12, Highway Q, Pheasant Branch Road, North Gammon Road and Airport Road. Fifty-four enforcement actions were taken: Speeding 42 citations and two warnings, five Insurance citations, one citation each for Operating After Suspension, Registration and No driver's license and one warning each for Equipment and Seatbelt.

SMART patrol was performed on Highway 12 on April 23rd by three officers. Twenty-two citations were issued: 17 for Speeding, two for Operating After Suspension, one for Registration, and two for Insurance.

Speed grant patrol was performed on April 4th by three officers. Seventeen citations and one warning were issued for Speeding, two citations for Operating After Revocation, six citations for Insurance and one citation for Registration.

Seatbelt grant patrol was performed on April 11th by three officers. Ten citations were issued for Seatbelt with one warning, two citations for Speeding with one warning, two citations for Insurance and one warning.

TRAINING

MARCH/APRIL IN-SERVICE TRAINING

March 25, 26, 29, April 16 and 19. AM: Firearms with emphasis on State qualification course. PM: Suspicious Activity Reports by Terrorist Liaison Officers.

APRIL SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Traffic and Impaired Driving Law Program, 12 hours, Quamme and Riffenburg
Advanced Concepts for Law Enforcement Crisis Management, 16 hours, Keil and Foulke
Motorcycle In-service, 24 hours, Wood
Wisconsin Problem Oriented Policing Conference, 12 hours, Raffel, Salinas and Wilson
Manual Breaching, 8 hours, Zimmerman and Sellek
Gordon Graham Risk Management, 8 hours, Mueller, Ash, Riffenburg, and Kasdorf
Search Warrants, Affidavits and the Development of Probable Cause, 16 hours, T
Kakuske
Basic Motorcycle Officer Training, 80 hours, Sellek
Managing Multiple Priorities, Projects and Deadlines, 8 hours, Endres
Sharpening Death Investigation Skills, 20 hours, Haselow and Jones
Workplace Violence Workshop, 8 hours, Tutaj
Advanced Roadway Impaired Driving Enforcement, 16 hours, Salinas
Report Writing, 8 hours, Normann
FBI Active Shooter/Mass Killing Training, 16 hours, Foulke

INVESTIGATIVE UNIT REPORT

Note: Crime Prevention tip provided by the unit under “Items of Interest” at the beginning of this report.

SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER REPORT

Middleton High School Officer Scott Moen

April was an active month for police call activity at the Middleton High School (MHS) and Clark Street Community School (CSCS). There were 58 police calls for service at MHS and 13 calls for service at CSCS. Some of those calls included: disturbances, thefts, weapon violations, damage to property and controlled substance calls. From those incidents, there were 12 municipal tickets issued. There were also four criminal charges that were filed against students over the distribution of controlled substances.

Officer Moen was involved in other activities in April as well, such as attending multiple Dean Meetings with MHS administration, attending a meeting for the Middleton Coalition to end underage drinking, attending several school district threat assessment meetings, and speaking with a class of French exchange students about local laws and school rules. Officer Moen also attended a functional bus accident scenario exercise that involved local first responders, Dane County Emergency Management and members of the Middleton Cross Plains Area School District. Officer Moen also gave presentations to seven different health classes in April on the topic of the consequences of drug and alcohol use.

The fourth and final quarter of the school year has begun and students are beginning to get more active as they count their days down towards graduation or summer vacation. There is only one more full month at MHS before the school year ends.

Kromrey Middle School Officer Tom Wilson

During the month of April, a lot of my time was spent at the three elementary schools teaching. I finished up the Keeping Safe program to all of the K-4th graders. I then transitioned into teaching all of the 5th graders about Internet Safety. I also attended several school safety meetings along with a functional bus exercise.

During the month, I handled several calls for service. These included two sexual assault investigations, a disturbance on a school bus, an annoying phone call complaint, and a check welfare complaint. I also assisted in several investigations at the Middleton High School.

COURT ACTIVITY

Dane County Adult Criminal Referrals

38 Adults
74 Criminal Counts
8 Civil Forfeitures

Dane County Juvenile Criminal Referrals

1 Juveniles
1 Criminal Counts
0 Civil Forfeitures