

**MIDDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MONTHLY REPORT**



**MARCH 2010**

## **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

### **Sergeant Britt Graduates from the FBI National Academy**

Middleton Police Sergeant Steven Britt graduated from the FBI National Academy at Quantico, Virginia, on March 19.

Law enforcement officers from 49 states, the District of Columbia and 21 other countries attended the National Academy's 240<sup>th</sup> session. The class had 253 graduates.

FBI Director Robert S. Mueller II was the main speaker at the graduation ceremony. Middleton Police Chief Brad Keil and Captain Charles Foulke attended the ceremony to congratulate Sergeant Britt on his accomplishment.

The academy offers ten weeks of advanced investigation, management and fitness training for selected officers. On average, participants have 19 years of law enforcement experience. They usually return to their agencies to serve in supervisory or executive-level positions.

Training at the academy was provided by FBI instructional staff, special agents and other experts. The training, travel, food and lodging were provided by the FBI.

Sergeant Britt is a native of Middleton. He has worked for Middleton Police for 17 years, prior to that he was a Trooper for the Montana Highway Patrol for six years. Sergeant Britt is in charge of the Investigative Services Bureau which includes Detectives, School Resource Officers and Proactive Programs.

Chief Keil and the Middleton Police Department Training Team have made supervisory training a priority. Two other Middleton Police Department members, Chief Keil and Captain Foulke, have attended the FBI National Academy. Captain Kakuske, Sergeant Hellenbrand and Sergeant Hanson have attended the ten week Northwestern University School of Staff and Command and Sergeant Reynolds has attended the ten week Wisconsin Executive Development Institute.

Pictured below (l to r) are Captain Foulke, Sergeant Britt and Chief Keil.



### **Officer Ken Smith Returns to Middleton PD from Iraq**

Officer Ken Smith, a ten year veteran of the Middleton Police Department, returned to work in March after being deployed in Iraq. Officer Smith is a Sergeant in the 32<sup>nd</sup> Military Police Company based out of Milwaukee. Officer Smith left the Department in January of 2009, first being sent to Fort Bliss, Texas, for training, then to Baghdad, Iraq. Officer Smith returned to the States in January of 2010 and was welcomed back to Middleton PD in March. Officer Smith is currently working Patrol on 3<sup>rd</sup> detail, 11 PM to 7 AM.

Officer Smith is on the right and foreground of the two respective pictures.





MI10-1712, 03/13/10, Club XS, 8152 Forsythia Street, Alcohol Violation  
The liquor license for Club XS was revoked by the Middleton City Council for repeated violations on Thursday evening, March 11. The Council allowed the bar to stay open until 2:00 AM on Friday morning, March 12. On Saturday morning, March 13, shortly after midnight, the bar was found to be open. The owner claimed she misunderstood the Council's instructions on what date the closing was to occur. Officers shut down the bar without incident and it is permanently closed.

MI10-2036, 03/23/10, 8:54 PM, Family Video, 5430 Century Avenue, Robbery  
MIPD received a 911 call from the clerk of Family Video, reporting he had just been robbed. The victim reported the suspect implied he had a weapon and received cash, but also took the DVD he had walked up to the checkout counter with: "Saw 6". A short time later, DeForest Police stopped a vehicle for speeding. As the vehicle was pulling over, the officer noticed the driver was throwing cash out of the window. Putting two and two together, Middleton Police were notified that the suspect of the robbery may be in custody. Officers and Detectives responded to DeForest and arrested Middleton resident Jon Fenkenheuer for Armed Robbery. The money was recovered, as well as the DVD "Saw 6".

## **CRIME PREVENTION/COMMUNITY RELATIONS** **ACTIVITIES**

### **Community Events**

On Wednesday, March 10, Middleton Police attended the Safe Communities Annual Breakfast/Business Meeting at the Goodman Center in Madison. One of the new programs they are promoting is "Alive at 25" which targets young drivers.

On Monday, March 15, Middleton Police gave a presentation on "Personal and Home Security for Women" at Asbury Church in Madison.

On Saturday, March 27, Middleton Police attended the Jaycee's Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Lakeview Park.

On Monday, March 29, Middleton Police participated in a discussion group at Capital Brewery on "Youth Programming in Our Community". The meeting was hosted by MAGIK.

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 David Kasdorf at 827-7457 or [dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us](mailto:dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us).

### **Middleton Business Watch**

Middleton Business Watch is planning the Spring Seminar which will be held on Tuesday, May 11. Middleton Police Detectives will give a presentation on internal theft.

The new MBW signs are in and will be installed soon.

If you would like to join the Middleton Business Watch or need to update your contact information, please contact Community Awareness Officer David Kasdorf at 827-7457 or [dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us](mailto:dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us).

### **Police Citizens' Academy**

The Middleton Police Citizens' Academy has been cancelled for 2010 due to construction of the new Police Department and budget cuts. The Citizens' Academy will start up again in the spring of 2011.

The Academy runs for ten weeks and is open to adults that live or work in Middleton. Class size is usually limited to 12 students.

If you live or work in Middleton and are interested in attending a future academy, please contact Community Awareness Officer David Kasdorf at 827-7457 or [dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us](mailto:dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us).



### **Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS)**

If you are interested in the Middleton Police Department VIPS program please contact Community Awareness Officer David Kasdorf at 827-7457 or [dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us](mailto:dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us).

### **Safe Assured ID Kits**

Middleton Police are also looking at taking reservations for kits being done one Wednesday night a month once the new Police Station is open.

If you would like to 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 David Kasdorf at 827-7457 or [dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us](mailto:dkasdorf@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 Volunteer Partnership Inc.**” or “**MVP Inc.**”, 7426 Hubbard Avenue, Middleton, WI, 53562.

### **Together we can make a difference.**

If you have any questions about donations or programs please contact CAO David Kasdorf at 827-7457 or [dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us](mailto:dkasdorf@ci.middleton.wi.us).

## **OPERATIONS DIVISION**

In February, Middleton Officers handled 1373 calls for service, 688 were field initiated, 685 were dispatched, issued 428 citations, made 18 criminal arrests and investigated 41 accidents.

In March, Middleton Officers handled 1602 calls for service, 694 were field initiated, 908 were dispatched, issued 476 citations, made 31 criminal arrests and investigated 16 accidents.

### **SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN MARCH:**

MI10-1433, 03/02/10, UPS, 8350 Murphy Drive, Theft

Theft of numerous extension cords leading to delivery trucks. This is a continuing trend to steal items which can be sold at salvage yards.

MI10-1436, 03/02/10, Walden Condominiums, 7106 Fortune Drive, Burglary

Numerous storage lockers broken in to.

MI10-1437, 03/02/10, 3:45 PM, Nitty Gritty, 1021 N. Gammon Road, Theft

Customers came into the restaurant in the afternoon. While the manager was occupied with something else, a bank bag containing currency was stolen.

MI10-1443, 03/02/10, 6300 Pheasant Lane, Burglary

A woman came home and discovered her apartment had been broken into. A lap top computer, DVD player, digital camera and TV were stolen.

MI10-1747, 03/14/10, 2000 Block of Allen Blvd., Burglary

A woman returned home from a trip out of town and discovered her apartment had been burglarized. A TV, laptop, Xbox and Xbox games were taken.

MI10-1775, 03/15/10, 2521 Allen Blvd., Theft

Medical equipment was taken from a Sports Medicine Clinic.

MI10-1787, 03/14/10, 6300 Block of Maywood Avenue, Sexual Assault

The caretaker of a 19 year old severely cognitively disabled woman reported she had been sexually assaulted by the friend of a friend. A forensic medical exam and Safe Harbor interview was performed on the woman. Police obtained a search warrant for the apartment where the assault occurred and arrested Middleton resident Kenneth Mosley on 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Sexual Assault charges.

MI10-1842, 03/18/10, 4:00 PM, Harbor Athletic Club, Stolen Vehicle

A man reported his keys were stolen out of his sweat pants as he was warming up at Harbor Athletic Club. He then discovered his car was stolen. The car was recovered the following day in a Middleton apartment complex parking lot.

MI10-1862, 03/18/10, 7500 Voss Parkway, Theft

A homeowner noticed rings were taken from her residence and suspected the cleaning service to be responsible. Detectives interviewed a housecleaner who confessed to stealing the rings. The rings were not recovered because the suspect said he lost them through a hole in his pocket.

MI10-2054, 03/24/10, 2:54 PM, Parisi Park, Robbery

A 16 year old Middleton male attempted to sell marijuana to a car full of young men at Parisi Park. Instead, he was beaten up and robbed of money and drugs.

MI10-2162, 03/29/10, Tobacco Outlet, 6621 University Avenue, Burglary

The morning manager of Tobacco Outlet discovered that the business had been broken into overnight. Investigation showed the telephone lines had been cut, thereby preventing the alarm to go to the alarm company (this has since been rectified by the alarm company). Furthermore, the recording device inside the store had been taken. Fifty-five cartons of cigarettes were stolen. The recording device has been recovered and images of the suspect have been developed. This crime is a pattern crime happening in the area. Measures have been taken to prevent this type of crime including modifying alarms and being able to identify what businesses cigarettes come from.

MI10-2163, 03/29/10, Middleton Cleaners, 6619 University Avenue, Burglary

Business was forcibly entered and cash taken.

## **TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES**

During the month of March, Sgt. Mueller attended the annual Wisconsin Traffic Safety Officers conference in Wisconsin Dells. Wisconsin DOT provided updates on important new legislation that will be taking effect later this year, such as the vehicle insurance laws and the stricter OWI laws. A policy is being developed on how to address the new insurance laws since this is a major change for Wisconsinites. Expect to see a huge increase in the number of Ignition Interlock Devices installed in OWI offenders' vehicles after June 1<sup>st</sup> and increased jail sentences for OWI as well. He also gained insight into enforcement of motorcycle traffic offenses.

During the month of March, approximately 46 hours were spent on directed traffic patrols. Streets and intersections targeted were: Airport Road, Allen Blvd, Branch Street, Branch/University Avenue, Branch/Maywood Avenue, Century Avenue, Greenway Blvd, N Gammon Road, N High Point Road, Parmenter/Kenyon, Parmenter/University, Pheasant Branch Road, Pleasant View Road and Highways 12, M and Q. One hundred eight enforcement actions were taken: 43 citations for Speeding with 21 warnings, seven citations for Registration with nine warnings, eight citations for OAR/OAS/DL violations



with two warnings, eight citations for Seat Belt violations, five citations for Sign/Signal violations with one warning, one OWI citation, one Permitting Unauthorized Person to Drive citation, one warning for No DL on Person and one warning for Disorderly Conduct With M/V.

There were 16 reportable accidents during the month and ten non-reportable accidents. That compares to 27 reportable accidents in 2009. A mild March with little inclement weather may have had something to do with that significant reduction in reportable accidents.

## **TRAINING**

### **March 2010 Specialized Training**

Wisconsin Safe Schools Seminar, 8 hours, Kasdorf, T Kakuske and Sherry  
Public Records for Law Enforcement, 3 hours, Kakuske, Ziltner and J Zimmerman  
Wisconsin Traffic Safety Officers Association Conference, 20 hours, Mueller  
2010 Juvenile Law Conference, 24 hours, T Kakuske and Sherry  
Intoxilyzer re-certification, 2 hours, Smith  
Major Case Management, 24 hours, Foulke, Faga (instructor also), Faust, Haselow and Olson  
Safety Management II, 16 hours, Hellenbrand  
FBI National Academy, 400 hours, Britt: graduated March 19, 2010

### **In-Service**

2<sup>nd</sup> quarter in-service was held March 3, 12, 15 and 24. AM: Firearms. PM: Rapid Response at Sun Prairie High School.

### **Field Training**

Officer Normann passed field training and went solo patrol on March 6 and began working 3<sup>rd</sup> detail (11:00 PM to 7:00 AM).  
Officer Riffenburg transitioned to 2<sup>nd</sup> detail (3:00 PM to 11:00 PM).  
Officers Jones and Smith completed returning officer field training in March and are assigned to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> detail respectively.  
Detective Olson went to the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force on March 1.

## **INVESTIGATIVE UNIT REPORT**

A jury trial the week of March 22 culminated the 16 month investigation into the heroin related death of Jason Swanson of Middleton. Nathan Kimbrough, 24, of Madison, was convicted of First Degree Reckless Homicide for providing the heroin that caused Swanson's death. A number of Middleton Detectives and Officers testified during the trial. Kimbrough faces 40 years in prison and extended supervision and was jailed pending sentencing in June. Tanya Mack, 19, of Middleton, and Kyle Shebilske, 24, of

Madison, plead No Contest to the same charges and are expected to be sentenced in June also. Mack and Shebilske testified for the prosecution in the case. Adriana Martell, 23, of Madison, is also expected to plead No Contest to the charges at a later date.

## **SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER REPORT**

### **Middleton High School** **Officer Travis Kakuske**

The month of March continued to be busy at Middleton High School (MHS). Although students had a week of vacation for spring break, there were still 71 total police calls at MHS, representing the second busiest month of the school year (February – 72 calls). Of the calls for service in March, some of them included nine status offense calls, seven assist citizen calls, six check person calls, three accidents, two thefts, two disturbances, two fights, and one alcohol violation.

From those incidents, there were 14 municipal tickets written at MHS in March. Some of those included four truancy tickets, two for disorderly conduct, two for loitering, two for retail theft, and one for underage drinking, battery, and receiving stolen property. In addition to municipal citations, I also referred two charges of disorderly conduct to the Dane County District Attorney's Office.

In March, I participated in other activities as well, including attending three Dean meetings, and a Peer Court meeting that was also attended by the Middleton Municipal Judge. I also appeared as a guest speaker at the March Parent Connection meeting held at the MHS Performing Arts Center, where the topic was drugs and alcohol. In March I also attended the Dane County SRO meeting at the Cambridge Police Department. These meetings are held monthly with the goal of SRO's from around Dane County sharing information about the activity in their schools, new trends, etc. Finally, I also attended two trainings in March, including a three day Juvenile Law Conference in Madison, and a Safer Schools Seminar featuring Michael Dorn, a nationally recognized school safety expert.

### **Kromrey Middle School** **Officer Matt Sherry**

March was a short month, due to Spring Break for the district. However, March was a relatively busy month with various things.

I attended two attendance committee meetings, the weekly building consultation meetings, and the monthly school resource officer meeting in Cambridge. I was able to read to a few kindergarten classes at Northside Elementary and Sauk Trail Elementary schools. I read Dr. Seuss books to the kids. I attended a School Safety Seminar at Middleton High School. After this seminar, I conducted a building safety check of Kromrey. This report was shared with Principal Soeteber as well as the district safety coordinator. I spoke at the Kromrey staff meeting about these safety concerns as well. I

will be conducting similar safety checks of Northside, Sauk Trail, and Elm Lawn schools. I also attended a three-day Juvenile Law Conference with the high school resource officer. At the end of the month, I spoke to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Health classes about drugs and alcohol.

During the month of March, I took seven calls for service. These calls included one status offense, one theft, one suspicious activity, one assist citizen, one disturbance, and two information calls. One municipal citation for disorderly conduct was issued along with one State charge of disorderly conduct.

## **COURT ACTIVITY**

### **Dane County Adult Criminal Referrals**

43 Adults  
74 Criminal Counts  
6 Civil Forfeitures

### **Dane County Juvenile Criminal Referrals**

5 Juveniles  
5 Criminal Counts  
2 Civil Forfeitures

### **Municipal Court Citations Issued**

437 Adult Citations