

**MIDDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY REPORT**



OCTOBER 2013

CRIME PREVENTION/COMMUNITY RELATIONS **ACTIVITIES**

Community Events

On Tuesday, October 1, Middleton Police went to the Little Red Preschool to talk about Halloween Safety to the 4k class and gave a tour of the police car.

On Friday, October 4, Middleton Police went to the Justice for a Cure event in Madison.

On Saturday, October 5, Middleton Police hosted the first annual bowling event to raise money for the Community Awareness Fund which supports all community awareness programs.

On Thursday, October 10, Middleton Police gave two kids a ride to school, which was won in a silent raffle for charity.

On Wednesday, October 16, Middleton Police gave a presentation to all of Greenway Station on retail theft prevention.

On Friday, October 18, Middleton Police gave a tour of the police station to the MOMS club of Middleton organization.

On Saturday, October 19, Middleton Police, along with the Middleton Senior Center and Middleton Ford, came together to provide a great community service for senior residents by preparing their vehicles for Wisconsin's winter. The event was held at Middleton Ford and was dedicated to ensuring that vehicles were in good operating condition and letting the owners know of any potential problems their vehicle might have.

On Friday, October 25, Middleton Police participated in the Middleton downtown trick or treating event.

On Tuesday, October 29, and Wednesday, October 30, Middleton Police talked on the news about Halloween safety tips for the community.

On Wednesday, October 30, Middleton Police gave several tours of the Police Department to students from Sauk Trail Elementary.

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.

MIDDLETON
BUSINESS WATCH

PROGRAM IN FORCE



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 next academy will start in April of 2014 and class size is limited to 12 students.

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 September, Middleton Officers handled 1,584 calls for service, 609 were field initiated, 975 were dispatched, issued 415 citations and 74 written warnings, made 11 criminal arrests and investigated 37 accidents.

In October, Middleton Officers handled 1,454 calls for service, 528 were field initiated, 926 were dispatched, issued 376 citations and 74 written warnings, made 11 criminal arrests and investigated 45 accidents.

Significant Events in October:

Numerous case numbers, weekend of 10/5-6/13, Industrial Park, Thefts
Numerous thefts were reported occurring over the first weekend in October in Middleton's Industrial Park. In most cases, trailers and vehicles associated with the businesses were broken into and items taken.

MI13-6874, 10/06/13, 12:35 AM, 6600 block of Century Avenue, Battery/Attempted Strong Armed Robbery

A 22 year old woman reported she was walking on the sidewalk on the south side of Century Avenue, approaching Branch Street when three suspects came out of the tree line and one punched her in the face. She was struck in the head area at least two other times and her coat pockets were rifled through, although nothing was taken. The suspects then fled into the woods. No suspects have been developed, but there are similar incidents in Madison adjacent to bike and walking paths.

MI13-6940, 10/09/13, 1600 block of Blackwood Court, Burglary

Residents mistakenly left the garage door open overnight and the door leading from the garage to the residence unlocked. Overnight, unknown suspect(s) entered the house and took a purse and wallet, including credit cards, cell phones and cash.

MI13-6989, 10/10/13, 10:00 AM, 7700 block of Westchester Drive, Unlawful Trespass

A woman was upstairs in her home and heard her dog barking. She went to the stairs and observed a male who she did not know in her residence. He mentioned something about looking for his dog and left. It appeared he entered the house through the garage door, which was open.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

During the month of October, there were 42 reportable accidents of which nine were in parking lots. This compares to 2012 which had 35 accidents of which six were in parking lots.

Officers assisted on several special events with traffic control and direction. On the 10/11/13, officers closed off streets and directed traffic for the Annual Middleton High School Homecoming Parade. On 10/13/13, officers assisted with the Annual Gilda's Run hosted by the Middleton Chapter of Gilda's Club. On 10/26/13 and 10/27/13, officers assisted with the Annual Haunted Hustle runs. Halloween on the 31st had officers assisting with the Middleton Hills Annual Halloween Parade. Officers also spent extra patrol hours in residential neighborhoods during the Halloween trick or treating hours.

There were two deployments of the speed awareness trailer during the month. In addition, the traffic display signs were deployed on several occasions to educate the public about various traffic laws and activities that could affect regular traffic routes.

Approximately 24 hours were spent on directed traffic patrols during the month. Sixty-two enforcement actions were taken: 36 citations for Speeding with five warnings, eight Insurance related citations, five Registration related citations, two citations for Seatbelt violations, one citation each for No Driver's License and Operating After Suspension, and two warnings each for Failure to Obey Sign and Failure to Yield to Pedestrian. Roadways targeted were: Hwy 12, Hwy Q, Bristol Street, Century Avenue, Clovernook Road, N Gammon Road, N High Point Road, Parmenter Street and Pheasant Branch Road.

TRAINING

Northwestern University School of Staff and Command, 400 hours, Zimmerman
Financial Crimes Seminar, 8 hours, Jones
TRACS User Conference, 8 hours, Hanson, Stroik and Salinas
SUV Emergency Vehicle Operator Training Course, 8 hours, Britt
Response to Active Shooter, 8 hours, O'Connor and Moen
Special Events Team Tactical Training, 20 hours, Geiszler, O'Connor, Stroik, Sellek and Moen
Force Science Institute, 16 hours, Hellenbrand, Geiszler and O'Connor
2013 Dispatch Conference, 28 hours, McKnight
VIVMIC Employee Practices Training on Performance Evaluations, 2 hours, Kakuske, Foulke, Britt and Ziltner

INVESTIGATIVE UNIT REPORT

Traditionally as the leaves begin to fall and as the cooler temperatures come upon us, the Police Department receives fewer calls for service. As everyone prepares themselves for the upcoming winter months, outdoor activities decrease and our citizens spend more time indoors in the comforts of their home, resulting in fewer opportunities for criminals. As a result of fewer calls for service, the Investigative Unit reviews a few less cases during the fall and winter months. For the month of October, the Investigative Unit reviewed a total of 62 cases, approximately 20 fewer cases than in September of 2013, with 25 of these cases being assigned to a detective for further follow up. A summary of some of the cases assigned to a detective for follow up include:

- 4 domestic incidents
- 1 battery complaint
- 9 larceny investigations
- 3 burglary reports
- 2 heroin overdoses
- 4 fraud complaints

Additionally, as recently reported in the local news, Detective Kakuske made an arrest of a local resident and former employee of the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District. After a very thorough and time intensive investigation, Detective Kakuske arrested Middleton resident Todd Anderson on multiple counts of possession of child

pornography. An investigation involving Mr. Anderson was initiated after the Police Department received some concerning information from the local school district. Based on Detective Kakuske's investigation and interviews, Mr. Anderson was arrested in October and charged with six counts of possession of child pornography. This investigation is still ongoing.

In October, another significant case investigated by the detective division came to a conclusion as former St. Luke's Music Director James Alex Gillespie was sentenced for two counts of 2nd degree sexual assault of a child. Detective Faust spent a great deal of time investigating this case from earlier in the year and based on this investigation, Mr. Gillespie, after pleading no contest, recently received a one year jail sentence and 15 years of probation for his actions.

Lastly, a human trafficking case, which started in late 2011 and early 2012, came to a conclusion with the recent plea agreement for Alvin Siller. Mr. Siller received a 20 year prison sentence for orchestrating a very in-depth and disturbing prostitution business involving multiple victims, weapons and drugs. Detective Jessica Quamme spent countless hours working on this investigation and based on her hard work and determination, was able to build a very successful case resulting in the imprisonment of a very unscrupulous individual.

SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER REPORT

Middleton High School Officer Scott Moen

October was a relatively busy month at the Middleton High School (MHS) and the Clark Street Community School (CSCS). This month there were 63 calls for service at MHS and five calls for service at CSCS. Some of those calls included alcohol violations, disturbances, thefts and weapons violations. From those incidents, there were several municipal tickets issued for offenses including theft, disorderly conduct and obstructing an officer. There were also two criminal arrests made at MHS during this month stemming from a fight.

Officer Moen was involved in other activities in October as well, such as attending multiple Dean Meetings with MHS administration, speaking to some Law and Justice classes, and creating some public service announcements for driver and pedestrian safety. MHS Homecoming was also during the month of October, and Officer Moen and Officer Richard O'Connor helped chaperone the dance. Officer Moen also attended training related to active shooter situations and helped with a lockdown drill at Northside Elementary school.

**Kromrey Middle School
Officer Tom Wilson**

October was another steady month of activity at Kromrey Middle School. A lot of the month was again spent teaching the GREAT Program to all of the 6th grade students. I have started to make plans for the upcoming graduation taking place in December. I also started my coordination with the elementary schools to teach K-4th grade students the Keeping Safe Program.

I also attended several school meetings including the Dane County School Resource Officer Meeting. I handled several calls for service during the month. One of these incidents was a physical disturbance in which two students were referred for disorderly conduct charges.

COURT ACTIVITY

Dane County Adult Criminal Referrals

19 Adults
46 Criminal Counts
2 Civil Forfeitures

Dane County Juvenile Criminal Referrals

4 Juveniles
5 Criminal Counts
0 Civil Forfeitures