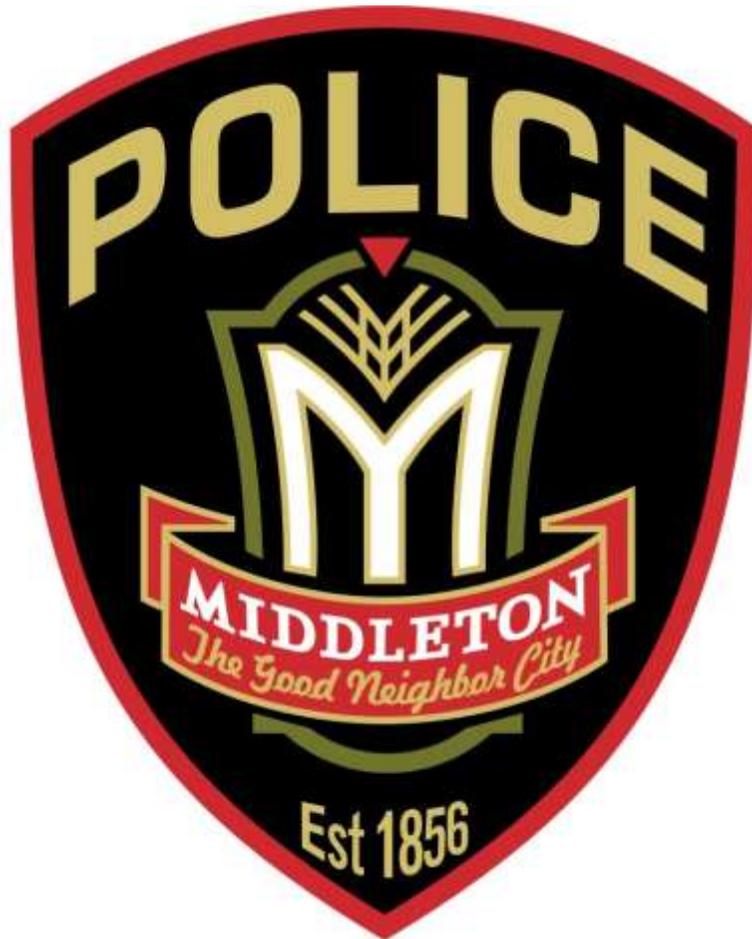


**MIDDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MONTHLY REPORT**



**MARCH 2014**

## **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

On March 28, Chief Brad Keil retired from the Middleton Police Department after nearly 10 years of service to Middleton and 29 years of service in law enforcement to take a job in the private sector. Chief Keil will be missed by members of the Department, city staff and members of the community.



The Middleton Police Commission chose Charles Foulke as Chief Keil's replacement.

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

### **Community Events**

On Monday, March 3, the Middleton Police Department held a meeting for the Volunteers in Police Service. They were trained on the Safe Assured ID system.

On Thursday, March 6, Middleton Police did three Safe Assured IDs for community members.

On Thursday, March 6, Middleton Police gave a tour to a Cub Scout troop of the Police Department and the Municipal Court.

On Tuesday, March 11, Middleton Police attended a job fair in Platteville.

On Wednesday, March 12, Middleton Police gave a tour to Boy Scouts of the Police Department and the Municipal Court.

On Saturday, March 15, Middleton Police gave a presentation on crime prevention and fingerprinting to a group of Boy Scouts.

On Tuesday, March 25, Middleton Police attended a job fair in Milwaukee.

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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://middletonpd.com).



*Citizens' Academy*

The 2014 Middleton Police Citizens' Academy will start in April.

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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us).

## **OPERATIONS DIVISION**

In February, Middleton Officers handled 1,226 calls for service, 395 were field initiated, 831 were dispatched, issued 283 citations and 56 written warnings, made 11 criminal arrests and investigated 43 accidents.

In March, Middleton Officers handled 1,350 calls for service, 513 were field initiated, 837 were dispatched, issued 399 citations and 96 written warnings, made 10 criminal arrests and investigated 53 accidents.

### **Significant Events in March:**

MI14-1069, 02/27/14, Harbor Athletic Club, Theft

At the end of February, Middleton Police investigated the theft of a watch valued at \$10,000.00 from a locker at Harbor Athletic Club. The serial number of the watch was entered into a national pawn data base and a suspect was identified selling the watch at a Madison area pawn shop. Further investigation confirmed that the suspect was in the Athletic Club during the time of the theft. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of the suspect.

MI14-1180, 03/05/14, Guaranty Bank (inside Copps), Bank Robbery

Area police departments were warned by Madison Police Department Crime Analysts of a serial bank robber in the metro area who was robbing banks located within grocery stores. Suspecting that the robber was a heroin user and analyzing the amount he was obtaining from his robberies, the Crime Analyst provided a list of possible dates and times the suspect may strike again. Two detectives were assigned to do surveillance on the bank. They observed a suspicious person enter the bank who matched the description of the suspect. When the suspect exited the bank, he was approached by the detectives. When they identified themselves, the suspect tried to run away. He was quickly taken into custody. Scottie T. Patterson, of Madison, was taken to the Dane County Jail and charged with multiple bank robberies.

MI14-1408, 03/15/14, 5301 South Ridge Way, Robbery

A 16 year old male, from Middleton, arranged to sell marijuana to Alex Griffin of Madison near the PDQ Store on South Ridge Way. Instead of buying the marijuana, Griffin pulled a gun on the juvenile and robbed him of his drugs. Griffin was subsequently arrested for armed robbery and the juvenile was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance with the intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Deliver.

MI14-1519, 03/20/14, Good Neighbor Liquor, Theft

A female stole alcohol valued at \$150.00 from the liquor store.

MI14-1631, 03/26/14, 1200 block of Sweeney Drive, Burglary

Unknown person(s) entered an apartment, probably through the patio door and stole electronics, cash and electronics.

## **TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES**

On March 6, Mark Walther attended the regional Traffic Incident Management meeting in Madison. Upcoming West Beltline construction was discussed. Several practical applications of emergency control and scene management were gone over in detail, videos of actual accidents involving highway workers and law enforcement officers were viewed and discussed. Mr. Walther and his work truck assist not only our Department but others in the area with accident scene control and scene management so this type of training is invaluable in his being able to provide us with the best and safest means to do so.

Sgt. Mueller was unable to attend the above meeting as he was attending the annual breakfast for Safe Communities of Madison and Dane County where he was recognized for his years of dedication to traffic safety. Safe Communities is our partner who hosts the annual Slow Down Kids and Stop on Red campaigns, among others.

On March 11, Sgt. Mueller attended the Dane County Traffic Safety Commission meeting. Six fatality accidents that occurred since our last meeting were reviewed. The new private property tow law was discussed. This takes effect in July. It will allow private property owners to tow illegally parked vehicles without having to notify police and have a citation issued. DOT is working on promulgating the rules that will need to be followed by the property owners and will provide them to all municipalities once they are finalized.

In March there were 51 reportable accidents of which 11 were in parking lots, compared to last March with 42 and nine in parking lots.

There were 22 hours of directed traffic patrol performed during the month. There were 40 enforcement actions taken: 20 Speeding citations, nine Insurance citations, four Failure to Stop for Stop sign citations and three warnings, two Operating After Revocation citations, one Registration citation and one municipal ordinance citation for Possession of THC.

The OWI grant patrol with three officers on four hour shifts was performed on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup>, St. Patrick's Day. Ten enforcement actions were taken: two Speeding citations with one warning, two Operating After Revocation, one Insurance citation, three Equipment warnings and one Registration warning. In addition, officers dealt with a severely intoxicated individual who had to be transported to Detox for his own safety as no regular patrol officers were available due to other priority calls.

## **TRAINING**

### **Specialized Training**

Heroin Training – Quamme, 16 hours

Best practices in Forensic Interviewing – 4 hours, Faust, Haselow and Jones

Wisconsin Traffic Safety Officer Association Conference, 24 hours – Mueller  
Contemporary Issues in Tactical Leadership, 24 hours – Zimmerman and Geiszler

### **In-Service Training**

March 18, 27, April 8 and 14. AM session is firearms, PM session tactical medic training.

## **INVESTIGATIVE UNIT REPORT**

Did you know that approximately 900 cases are referred to the Investigative Services Bureau for review annually? Out of these 900 cases, traditionally approximately 200 of these cases are assigned to a Detective for follow up. Many of these cases, and the related hard work of the Detectives assigned for follow up, never make the local news or generate much interest from the general public. However, the Middleton community is very fortunate to have a very dedicated, experienced and well trained group of Detectives who can investigate a wide-range of cases including worthless check complaints, frauds, robberies, death investigations and homicides.

Two recent cases which will be highlighted this month show the outstanding work of the Investigative Services Bureau and its staff. Both cases show the great work which is being completed daily by the hard working members of the Middleton Police Department and our goal of keeping our community safe.

On March 5, Middleton Detectives were conducting surveillance at a local bank based on information received from the Madison Police Department and specifically a Crime Analyst. Due to a recent increase of bank robberies in the City of Madison, a Crime Analyst predicted a number of dates and locations throughout the metropolitan area of future bank robberies. Based on this information, Middleton Detectives were monitoring the activities of the Guaranty Bank located inside of the Copps Food Center. Forty minutes after starting this surveillance, a Detective observed an individual matching the description of the suspect in the previous robberies and who appeared to be entering doors near the location of this bank. Within one minute the suspect, who had robbed the bank, exited the building and was immediately confronted by the Detective. After a short foot pursuit, Scottie T. Patterson, was apprehended a short distance from the bank. No bank employees were injured during this incident and evidence was collected connecting Mr. Patterson to this robbery. While being questioned by Middleton Detectives, Mr. Patterson confessed to not only the Middleton robbery but also to three previous bank robberies in the City of Madison.

In late February, the Middleton Police Department received a report of a very expensive and keepsake wristwatch being stolen from a local health club. This unique watch was entered into a national pawn shop database, LeadsOnline, which the Middleton Police Department participates in. On March 11, the day the stolen watch was pawned at a Madison pawn shop, the Middleton Police Department received emails indicating a subject had pawned the same model wristwatch as which was stolen. Detectives quickly

contacted the pawn store, placed a hold on it and later recovered this expensive watch, and obtained video of the suspect pawning this stolen item. Video from the pawn store was matched with video from the business where this watch was stolen and detectives are actively seeking the whereabouts of the suspect, who has been identified, involved in this incident.

## **SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER REPORT**

### **Middleton High School Officer Scott Moen**

March was an active month for police call activity at the Middleton High School (MHS) and Clark Street Community School (CSCS). There were 69 police calls for service at the Middleton High School and one call for service at Clark Street Community School. Some of those calls included: disturbances, fights, thefts, weapon violations, and controlled substance calls. From those incidents, there were seven municipal tickets issued.

Officer Moen was involved in other activities in March as well, such as attending multiple Dean Meetings with Middleton High School administration, attending a meeting for the Middleton Coalition to end underage drinking, and helping to film a video for a students' presentation.

Students have already begun their countdown towards summer vacation. There is only two more full months at the Middleton High School before the school year ends.

### **Kromrey Middle School Officer Tom Wilson**

Even with only three weeks of school during the month of March because of spring break, Kromrey Middle School was a busy place. The annual Spirit Knight was held and was attended by over 600 kids with no problems reported. I continued to teach the Keeping Safe Program, assisted with elementary school lockdown drills and table top exercises, and also spoke to a high school driver's education class.

During the month, I also handled numerous calls for service. Some of these included two sexual conduct cases, five disturbances, a preserve the peace, a warrant arrest, a threats complaint and a domestic incident.

## **COURT ACTIVITY**

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

18 Adults  
30 Criminal Counts  
1 Civil Forfeitures

## **Dane County Juvenile Criminal Referrals**

- 1 Juveniles
- 1 Criminal Counts
- 0 Civil Forfeitures