

City of Middleton Police Department



"Making a Difference"

**Annual Report
2006**

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Mayor Doug Zwank,
City Administrator Mike Davis,
City Council Members,
Police Commission Members,
Public Safety Committee Members,
Citizens of Middleton

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On behalf of the members of the Middleton Police Department I am pleased to present you with the department's Annual Report for the year 2006.

2006 was another busy year for our department. We were fortunate to be one of the few departments in the state to receive grant funding to help pay for new technology that will help to enhance our crime fighting abilities and improve our day to day business operations. Our participation in a consolidated records management system with the Cities of Sun Prairie and Fitchburg enabled us to receive **\$172,000 in grant funding** to help pay for a new high speed Microwave connection between our cities, new modems for the laptop computers in our squad cars and redundancy to protect the integrity of our system. Our cities received **\$42,000** from the State of Wisconsin to complete the installation of the new **TRACS** computerized accident and citation system making our communities the first multi-jurisdictional computerized Accident and Citation system in the state. Grant funding from previous years enabled us to purchase an **Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS)** that will be used by all of our departments to speed up the process of identifying fingerprints left at crime scenes. The funding also helped us purchase a "**FAST ID**" fingerprint machine that gives us the ability to instantly verify the identities of persons taken into custody. Finally, we used grant dollars to purchase an **Automated Inkless Electronic Fingerprint Scanning Machine (LIVESCAN)** that allows us to fingerprint subjects taken in to custody and instantly send their prints to the Crime Information Bureau electronically which eliminates the need for messy ink and cards.

Community Outreach continues to be an important part of our mission. This years **National Night Out** was bigger and better than ever with an estimated crowd of over 400 people attending the event. This years event was held in Lakeview Park which proved to be a perfect venue. Citizens, and a few elected officials, enjoyed dunking our own City Administrator, Mike Davis, in the dunk tank. We graduated another 10 citizens from our **Citizens Academy** and continued to participate in many other outreach activities such as **Bike Safety, Shop with a Cop, the Packer and Brewer card programs and Senior Triad.**

We expanded on our **Child Safety Initiative** by developing a specific plan for responding to missing and abducted children cases. The plan includes forming response teams and providing training specific to these types of cases to all members of the department. Sgt. Barry Reynold's work in this area has been recognized by the **National**

Center for Missing and Exploited Children and he will be presenting our plan at the National Conference on Missing and Exploited Children in February of 2007.

We expanded our **traffic enforcement efforts and traffic educational efforts** in 2006 and saw a **15% reduction in traffic crashes** in 2006. **Our traffic crash rate for 2006 was the lowest in 6 years.**

While crime is increasing county-wide our **Overall Crime Rate dropped again in 2006** with the lowest amount of reported crime in Middleton since 2001. **Personal crimes** such as Battery, Disorderly Conduct and Robbery **dropped 15%** from the previous year. **Property crimes** such as Theft, Criminal Damage to Property and Burglary **dropped by nearly 10%. Overall crime declined by over 10%.** We did experience an increase in Robbery (both armed and unarmed) in 2006 from a total of 5 in 2005 to 11 in 2006. We are pleased to report that all of the suspects in our Bank Robberies have been identified and have been sentenced, charged or are facing charges for those robberies.

We look forward to continuing to meet the challenges of our growing community. We encourage you to visit our website at www.ci.middleton.wi.us/police/ to learn more about the department.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brad J Keil', written in a cursive style.

Brad J Keil
Chief of Police



Mission Statement

The mission of the Middleton Police Department is “to make a positive difference in the quality of life in our community”



- We will accomplish our mission by:**
- Partnering Proactively with stakeholders in our community in order to **Identify and Solve Problems** that are of mutual interest to the police and the community;
 - Protecting the Constitutional **Rights** and Personal Freedoms of all citizens;
 - Maintaining Order;
 - Facilitating the safe movement of persons and vehicles;
 - Mediating and Resolving conflicts;
 - Aiding those in need;
 - Promoting a sense of **Security** and helping citizens to feel safe;
 - Enforcing laws and ordinances;
 - Apprehending and Assisting in the prosecution of offenders;
 - Reducing victimization and the opportunities for Crime;
 - Providing emergency **Service**;
 - And;
 - Constantly **Evaluating** our **Effectiveness** in carrying out our mission



Crime Prevention /Community Outreach

Crime prevention and Community Outreach is an important function for the police department and helps us deliver our services in a community policing model.

Crime Prevention Activities

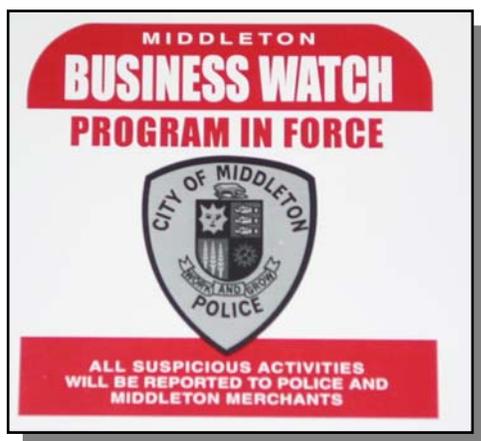
Middleton Business Watch:

In 2004 MIPD began a program to alert local businesses to crimes affecting their business and to provide crime prevention training. The Business Watch program has been very successful since its conception and currently has approximately 245 members. In 2006 the department distributed 21 crime and informational alerts to Business Watch members. The department also held two Business Watch informational seminars for members. The first, held on April 11, 2006, dealt with Violence in the Workplace and Employee Safety. The second, held on September 14th, dealt with Background Checks and Employee Safety. We plan on continuing the Business Watch seminars in the spring of 2007. Our fundraising efforts were very

successful this year, and we currently have \$1,300.79 in our checking account. We have been approved as an LLC in the State of Wisconsin and have received tax exempt status as a 501 (c) (3) organization.

Child Safety Initiative:

In 2005 the department began a Child Safety Initiative to increase community awareness of child safety issues. This program provides advanced training to department members on responding to reports of missing children, and also distributes crime prevention information and Child ID Fingerprint kits at community events. In 2006 the Middleton Community Bank joined the Child Safety Initiative by purchasing Child ID kits for use by the department. This program has been very well received by the community and department officers fingerprinted approximately 400 children at 7 different events. The department's Child Safety Initiative and Missing Child Response Team will be featured at a national conference on missing children in February, 2007.



Crime Prevention Notices:

Officers complete notices when they observe crime risks while checking businesses and neighborhoods. The notices identify the risk, such as a burned out security light or bushes covering windows, and are left at the business or residence for the owner as a way to provide feedback and help reduce the risk. During 2006 officers distributed 30 notices to local businesses and neighborhoods.

Building Plan Reviews:

A Crime Prevention Officer reviews plans submitted to the City for new or expanding businesses and offers suggestions to make them safer.

Vacation Checks:

Residents are encouraged to notify the Police while they are away on vacation, especially if it is for an extended period of time. It is valuable to know how to reach the homeowner and if anyone locally has keys in case a problem arises. Officers will periodically check the residence for problems.

Community Outreach

National Night Out:

The second annual National Night Out event was held at Lakeview Park August 3, 2006. Detective Patty Faust coordinated the event for the department which included participation of police, fire and EMS personnel, as well as the Med Flight Helicopter, a “Jaws of Life” demonstration, Dane County Sheriffs K-9, and a bike rodeo safety course. There were also booths on various aspects of safety and/or crime prevention from U.W. Health, Springs Window Fashions, Middleton Senior Center/Dane County Elder Abuse, West Madison-Middleton Rotary/MATC Motorcycle Safety Program.



Citizen Police Academy:

Middleton Police held its first Citizens Academy in the spring of 2005 and has since held two more sessions, including one in the fall of 2006. Eleven members of the community attended the 8 week course which consisted of curriculum including firearms training, emergency vehicle operation, defense and arrest tactics, investigations, proactive programs and a session by Middleton EMS and Fire Departments. The Citizens Academy has been very successful and community interest for this program has been very high. The MIPD Citizens Academy intends to continue with the next class scheduled for the fall of 2007.



Middleton Triad:

The Triad is a program where senior citizens and the Police Department work together to prevent crime against the elderly. Middleton Police and the Middleton Senior Center work closely together in this program. A monthly column by Sergeant Reynolds is included in the Senior Center monthly newsletter. In 2006 the department participated in a spring family safety event at the Senior Center, a summer safety information seminar, and the annual Senior Car Winterization Program (seniors bring their cars to Middleton Motors where the vehicle is checked over by a mechanic for free).

Private Tours and Safety Presentations:

The department regularly provides department tours and safety presentations for elementary school students. In 2006 the department hosted 11 tours for schools, civic and private organizations, with approximately 275 people touring the police department. The department also participated in 24 other events throughout the city, including 18 safety presentations to organizations, businesses and neighborhoods, and six other safety and informational events.



Meals on Wheels:

Middleton Police employees take turns delivering lunch to seniors every Tuesday.



Shop with a Cop:

Police Department employees volunteer their time to take children from underprivileged families shopping for Christmas gifts for their families for a day with donated funds so that those families can have a nice Christmas.



Safe Community Coalition:

The department is an active member of the Dane County Safe Community Coalition. As a coalition member we participate in a number of events throughout the year such as the *Safe Walk to School Day* and *Pedestrian Awareness* campaigns.

Special Olympics:

On June 8th, 2006, four Middleton Police officers ran in the Final Leg of the Law Enforcement Torch Run for The Special Olympics. This event raises funds and awareness as they carry the "Flame of Hope" on their route to the Special Olympics Summer Games Opening Ceremony which took place on June 8th in Stevens Point.

Lieutenant Charles Foulke, Officer Rick Wipperfurth, Officer Mike Wood, and Officer Jill Tutaj participated in the run. Retired Dane County Deputy Bob Shaffer was escorted by Sergeant Troy Hellenbrand in a Middleton squad car as he biked to Stevens Point for the Special Olympics.





2006 Traffic Safety Report

Traffic Crashes were down by over 15% from 2005 due in part to increased enforcement activities and educational efforts. The Middleton Police Department is engaged in a variety of traffic enforcement and educational programs that are described below.

The **directed traffic patrol program** in 2006 was modified somewhat in that second shift officers now are assigned, not by street, but by time with the targeted streets decided by their own discretion. This appears to have worked well as called in neighborhood concerns can be addressed quickly. Over all shifts a total of six hundred fifty-three hours were spent on directed patrols. The most common violation continues to be speeding. Seven hundred ninety-four citations and three hundred warnings were issued.

D.E.T.E.R. (Driver Education and Targeted Enforcement Response) enforcement was done starting in late April and ending in September. This initiative targeted Hwy 12 from Middleton to Cottage Grove and involved all the jurisdictions along the route. Middleton issued two hundred twenty-four citations and twenty-eight warnings during the months of D.E.T.E.R. There was heavy media coverage of this effort. The educational aspect came late in the year with a billboard at Vitense Golfland, citation holders and static window clings announcing the effort. Data from Madison Police show that the average speed on Hwy 12 has been reduced.

January saw the department honoring our adult school crossing guards during **Adult School Crossing Guard** recognition week. The guards were treated to a luncheon. These school district employees provide a valuable service for the city.

In March Officer Tom Wilson attended a **bicycle education seminar** in which he learned how to educate children on bicycle safety.

April saw Officers Tom Wilson, Mike Wood and Rick Wipperfurth attending a **bicycle safety enforcement** seminar where they were instructed on the causes of accidents involving bicycles and how to address those traffic infractions. This was part of a grant the department received which included during the summer when they performed directed patrols for bicycle accident related offenses.



Also in April we participated in the annual **Slow Down for Kids** campaign by distributing yard signs. This was highly popular as we ran out of signs and had to order more.

May had us participating in the annual **Click it or Ticket** campaign. No outside funding was available for this campaign, an incentive was having our agency placed into a drawing for

traffic safety equipment. Unfortunately we did not get picked.

We directed traffic for the Madison Gas and Electric annual stockholders' meeting at the Marriott West, something they have requested for the past several years.

In June the department did enforcement and education activities for the **Green-Yellow-Red** campaign. This was a federally funded enforcement, prevention and education activity run through the Safe Community Coalition of Madison and Dane County. It was a pilot program that may be adopted nationwide. Participation required us to make a presentation to the Planning Commission to obtain approval for an innovative motorcycle storage shed at Quaker Steak and Lube. Demonstrations at the kick off event were provided by the motorcycle officers of Madison PD, Dane County Sheriff and Wisconsin State Patrol. Middleton Fire and EMS Departments assisted in the educational aspect. We also participated in July and August.

Sgt. Mueller and **Pedestrian Safety Committee** chair Dan Googins gave a presentation to Middleton-Cross Plains school administrators about what the committee and police department can do for them.

The "Ride for Hope" motorcycle event was assisted with traffic control as they left from Quaker Steak and Lube.

During July the press conference announcing the **bicycle safety/enforcement** grant and initiative was held in Middleton by the Safe Community Coalition, kicking off our enforcement aspect.

Sgt. Mueller obtained, for no cost, a portable "**Traffic Enforcement Ahead**" roadside sign for the department in recognition for his work on the D.E.T.E.R. project.

September saw Middleton's first participation in the **Walk Kids to School** program after Sgt. Mueller and Dan Googins gathered information at an August meeting and contacted the school district about it. Northside School participated and children walking was up 30% for the day of the activity.

Sgt. Mueller and Dan Googins gave a **pedestrian safety presentation** to the Chamber of Commerce monthly meeting. Four members asked for copies of the DVD used so they could present to their own companies. Middleton Chief Brad Keil and Sgt. Mueller appear in the police only version of this DVD along with representatives of other departments statewide.

Sgt. Troy Hellenbrand assisted the Bruce Company with a Power Point they were to use in a **traffic safety** learning session with their fleet drivers. He posed for several photographs that were used in the presentation. In addition Sgt. Mueller showed the pedestrian safety DVD to about fifty drivers at this meeting. Additional DVD's were provided so that they could present to their drivers in two other cities.

Sgt. Mueller trained the new adult crossing guard for Sauk Trail School.

We escorted the Meriter Hospital **motorcycle ride** which started at Quaker Steak and Lube.

Sgt. Mueller participated in a panel discussion at the state Traffic Safety Officers convention held at the Marriott West hotel. The D.E.T.E.R. project was the topic.

October began the educational phase of D.E.T.E.R. and part of that was the radio airing of public service announcements, two of which were recorded by Sgt. Mueller.

MCPSD administrator Mike Harris and Sgt. Mueller attended two informational sessions

regarding **Safe Routes to School** in November. This initiative, a new one for Wisconsin, provides grant funding for infrastructure (traffic calming, sidewalks), enforcement (signs, lights, enforcement patrols, crossing guards), education (skill building for children) and encouragement (student surveys, special events). The city and school district have decided to apply for a grant.

Officer Greg Dixon met with US Post Office and city officials to discuss methods to better the traffic flow around the Post Office and adjacent streets. Thanks to Officer Dixon's efforts the drop off post boxes were moved onto Cayuga Street which has drastically lessened the congestion getting into and out of the Post Office parking lot.

December was our time for the **Booze and Belts** initiative. This was unfunded but qualifies us for a drawing for traffic safety equipment. The state-wide kickoff news conference was held at Middleton's own Capital Brewery and Lt. Charles Foulke spoke

on camera during it, appearing in that night's newscasts.

The City Council passed a resolution supporting the **Safe Routes to School** project.

Sgt. Mueller continued in his membership in the **Safe Community Coalition of Madison and Dane County** and the **Dane County Law Enforcement Traffic Safety Committee**. This helps to keep the department current on traffic safety matters and has also led to the department receiving grant money during the year.

The department also added two street crossings to the **Pedestrian Flags Over Dane County** program where orange flags are used by pedestrians at chosen intersections in the city in an effort to make motorists more aware of pedestrian rights.



Operations Division

Significant Cases Investigated by MIPD in 2006

January

06-65 01/03/06 5:57AM 7900 Block of Greenway Boulevard – Burglary

During December of 2005 the City of Middleton experienced several commercial burglaries, all with the same *modus operandi*. Similar burglaries were also experienced in Madison, Fitchburg and Monona. After

analyzing these reports, potential future targets were identified and a directed patrol plan was developed. During the early morning hours of January 3rd, 2006 Middleton Patrol Officer Ken Smith discovered a burglary in progress at one of these targeted buildings. Officer Smith was successful in apprehending one suspect, while another escaped.

Within 72 hours Middleton Police Detectives had identified the other suspect, obtained additional evidence, and requested a search warrant for an address in the City of Madison. With the assistance of Madison Police Department the search warrant was executed and a considerable amount of property was recovered. Initial estimates indicate that these efforts solved approximately 75 crimes in four different jurisdictions.

06-476 01/25/06 5:29 AM 7500 Block of Voss Parkway – Breaking and Entering

A 17 year-old female who was home alone once her mother left for work, reported being awakened by a male in her room. She reported that the male covered her mouth, but that when she screamed he ran out of the residence. The suspect has not been located.

February

06-752 02-07-06 9:53 PM 6900 Block of North Avenue – Barricaded Subject

Middleton Police received a report of a domestic dispute between a man and a woman in which the man fired two shots from a handgun. The woman was able to exit the house and drive away. Officers set up an outer perimeter around the house and attempted to make telephone contact with the subject in the house. The subject failed to answer the phone. Middleton Police requested the assistance of the Dane County Sheriff's Emergency Response Team. Middleton Police maintained an outer perimeter and activated the Special Events Team which set up an inter-perimeter and assisted the Emergency Response Team. Eventually, the Emergency Response Team went to the residence in armored vehicles and over loud speakers ordered the subject out of the house. He complied and was taken into custody.

06-848 02-12-06 2:46 AM 6300 Block of Pheasant Lane – Child Abuse

Middleton Police were informed that a woman was at the hospital with her five month old daughter. The child had ingested wart remover. Initially the woman's boyfriend indicated that he had accidentally spilled wart remover in the child's mouth while he was trying to comfort the child and simultaneously applying the wart remover to his hand. Subsequent police investigation showed that this story lacked credibility. The male subject was charged with recklessly endangering safety to a child. The suspect was ordered to have no contact with the victim's mother, yet continued to harass her. He was re-arrested and charged with felony bail jumping as well as stalking.

06-887 02-14-06 6:49 PM 5100 Block of Churchill Lane – Drug Arrest

A neighbor called the Middleton Police Department and reported smelling the odor of Marijuana coming from an apartment. Police officers made contact with the subjects in the apartment and developed probable cause to obtain a search warrant. Detectives from the Middleton Police and the Dane County Narcotics Unit executed the search warrant and seized 322 ecstasy pills with a street value of over \$7,000.00, 81 grams of Marijuana and numerous drug paraphernalia items. Two subjects were charged with possession of THC and ecstasy with intent to deliver, maintaining a drug dwelling and possession of drug paraphernalia. A third person has been charged with possession of THC with intent to deliver, maintaining a drug dwelling and possession of drug paraphernalia.

March

06-1280 03/07/06 1:18 AM 2100 Block of West Greenview Drive-Burglary

Middleton Police received a burglary alarm at Eagle Optics. Upon arrival, officers discovered that the business had been burglarized and a number of high end binoculars stolen. Subsequently, during a search warrant, many of the items were recovered and two subjects have been charged.

06-1460 03/16/06 11:15 AM 6200 Block of Century Avenue-Bank Robbery

Middleton Police received a silent hold-up alarm at Bank Mutual. While officers were responding, bank employees dialed 911 to report that there had been an actual robbery. The suspect, a lone male black carrying a handgun, held up the bank and received a significant amount of money.

April

06-2060 04/14/06 9:57 AM 6200 Block of Century Avenue – Armed Robbery

Police were notified via an alarm company of a bank robbery occurring at Bank Mutual. The suspect fled the area in a black 4 door vehicle. It is believed this is the same suspect who robbed the bank in March.

The two robberies of Bank Mutual were of concern to the police for many reasons. It was believed the robber was the same person in each case, he carried a pistol and aimed it directly at the bank employees, he herded the employees in to the bank vault, he obtained in excess of \$100,000 dollars (well over the average of \$1,500 for bank robberies in Dane County) from the two robberies and the bank's security procedures were lax.

Crime prevention officers worked closely with bank officials to improve security, including upgrading video/camera coverage, the amount of money kept in the bank and other

preventative measures. While there were two other robberies at this bank during the year, the amount of money taken was substantially less, usable video of the suspects were available and the other two robberies were solved quickly.

As for these two cases, Middleton detectives have developed a suspect who is currently incarcerated in Nebraska on unrelated drug charges. Several search warrants, telephone subpoenas, off-shore gambling site subpoenas and forensic work has been done on this case and Federal bank robbery indictments are expected presently.

06-2381 04/29/06 2400 Block of Allen Boulevard – Armed Robbery

Middleton Police were notified of an armed bank robbery occurring at Associated Bank. The suspect displayed a handgun and then fled in a smaller 4 door vehicle with an undisclosed amount of money, which included recorded serial number "bait" bills and an exploding dye pack.

Middleton detectives learned that two similar bank robberies had occurred in Madison and worked with Madison detectives and FBI Agents to solve this case. Security at Ho-Chunk (Baraboo area) and Pottawatomie (Milwaukee), notified investigators that currency which was stained with pink dye had been passed at the casinos. The stained money was indicative of an exploding dye pack from a bank robbery. The money was seized and serial numbers matched stolen money from the Middleton robbery. Surveillance photos were acquired from the casinos and sent out to area media outlets. Suspects were developed. One was arrested in Milwaukee, one in the Kansas City area by a Federal fugitive task force. Both subjects have been indicted on bank robbery charges in Federal Court.

June

06-3127 06/05/06 8:03 PM 5400 Block of Mathews Road – Fire

Middleton Police and firefighters were dispatched to 5404 Mathews Road on a report of a structure fire at the apartment complex. A number of people were displaced by this fire and there was hundreds of thousands of dollars of damage. Police and Fire Department investigators are still investigating this case, but the fire is suspicious in nature.

06-3500 06/23/06 5300 Block of Century Avenue – Drug Arrest

Middleton Police Department detectives, detectives from Dane County Task Force and Probation and Parole Agents searched an apartment after Middleton detectives developed information of significant drug trafficking. Heroin was located and the occupant of the apartment was arrested. In December, the suspect was indicted in Federal Court for Possession of Heroin With Intent to Deliver. If convicted, he faces 20 years in Federal prison.

06-3580 06/27/06 Skateboard Park – Strong Armed Robbery

Over the course of two days, three juveniles reported that they were threatened and had money stolen from them at the Skateboard Park. An 18 year old Middleton resident was identified as a suspect, arrested and placed in jail.

July

06-3740 07/06/06 3900 Block of Patrick Henry Way – Burglary

Complainant reported returning to her residence and observing that someone had broken into the front door. The residence was trashed and a TV was stolen.

06-4064 07/23/06 8:04 PM Shooting

Police investigated the shooting of a man on the northeast side of the city. Members of two rival gangs became involved in an argument near the PDQ store at the intersection of Hwy Q and M. This escalated into one group arming themselves with baseball bats and looking for the other group on foot, while four members of the other group got into a car. At least one of the persons in the car had a gun. Police were notified of the disturbance and officers were assigned to the call. The group in the car spotted three members of the other group, and one person in the car shot one of the men two times in the leg. A Middleton officer heard the shots, but did not see the car. He found the victim laying on the ground in the parking lot of Arbor Lakes Apartments on Roma Lane. The car left the area, but the group walking around fled into an apartment on Marino Court. Middleton officers cordoned off the area and set up a perimeter. The Dane County SWAT team was called and eventually several suspects surrendered and came out of the apartment.

There are several significant factors in this case. While some of the actors in this incident live in Middleton, others do not. The relationship the Middleton Police Department has with other area departments is critical, as well as the assignment of a detective to the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force. Middleton police officers train frequently on these types of tactical calls, even though they are infrequent in occurrence. We call them low

frequency, high risk events. Proper training in this area led to a safe resolution in this dangerous event.

The case is still under investigation, but detectives are getting little cooperation from the victim.

August

06-4817 08-27-06 5300 Block Century Avenue – Weapons Violation

Middleton Police received numerous reports of a young man with a firearm threatening people at the Sunrise Heights Apartments. Officers arrived, located the suspect and arrested him at gunpoint. It turned out that the suspect had a facsimile looking gun, which was very realistic looking. The suspect was charged with disorderly conduct while armed.

September

06-4949 09-04-06 2:14 AM Nitty Gritty 1000 Block of Gammon Road – Burglary

The manager of the restaurant/bar was in his office when he heard glass breaking near the front door area. He exited his office and observed a subject who had broken into the business attacking the ATM. The suspect fled upon the manager's arrival. Police arrived and set up a perimeter and located a suspect several

blocks away. He was arrested and charged with burglary.

06-4960 09-05-06 9:16 AM 2420 Allen Boulevard – Bank Robbery

Bank employees observed two male subjects walking towards the bank, both wearing masks over their faces. They were unable to lock the door in time. The suspects entered the bank,

one of them displayed a weapon and they robbed the bank and one customer of money. The suspects fled on foot to a nearby apartment complex parking lot and got into a vehicle. A witness provided a description of the vehicle, which was aired to area police agencies. A Madison Police Detective observed a similar vehicle on Northport Drive a short time later and initiated a felony traffic stop. Evidence in the vehicle indicated that the suspects were involved in the bank robbery and both were arrested.

06-5150 09-14-06 2100 Block of Clark Street – Disturbance

A woman left her residence, went to a neighbor's home and called the police reporting that her husband had attempted to commit suicide by cutting himself. Police had a previous history with this subject, in which he had produced firearms, therefore they responded with caution and set up a perimeter. The subject came out of his residence and got into his vehicle and attempted to drive away. Officers attempted to stop the vehicle with spike sticks, but the subject was able to avoid them, at one point driving through several neighbors' backyards. Police pursued the vehicle for a short period of time, but felt that the pursuit was too dangerous. The subject eventually was located in Sauk County and was transported to a Madison area hospital on a voluntary mental commitment. He was released later that evening, returned home, threatened to kill his wife and cut the telephone lines with a knife. He was then arrested and taken to jail.

06-5278 09-22-06 5:27 AM 3300 Block of Hedden Road – Robbery

Subject reported that he met an acquaintance in Madison and was given a ride home to Middleton by that person. When they arrived at an apartment complex in Middleton, the

driver of the car pulled a knife and attempted to rob the passenger. The passenger was able to get out of the vehicle and run away. The victim called the police and provided a description of the vehicle. The responding police officer observed the vehicle on Allen Boulevard, followed it to the intersection of University Avenue where a felony traffic stop was performed. The subject was arrested for armed robbery and jailed.

October

06-5444 10/01/06 2:32 AM 7500 Block University Avenue – Weapons Violation

A police officer, on normal patrol, observed a group of people in a parking lot who appeared to be arguing. As the officer investigated, he observed that one subject had a pistol, the other subject had a knife and they were getting ready to have a fight. Both combatants were arrested at gun point by the original officer as well as back-up officers and charged with weapons violations.

06-5470 10/02/06 3:32 PM Bank Mutual 6209 Century Avenue – Bank Robbery

Middleton Police received a bank alarm and then a 911 call from employees at Bank Mutual, indicating that they had just been robbed at gunpoint. The suspect fled on foot. The money was recovered outside the bank because an exploding dye pack went off, causing the suspect to drop the bag. Below is a composite sketch of the suspect by Det. Faga. (Note: The subject and his girlfriend are in-custody awaiting trial for this Robbery and the robbery listed below that took place in November).



November

06-6152 11/08/06 3:06 PM 6200 Block Century Avenue – Armed Bank Robbery

Middleton Police received a hold up alarm, then a 911 call from employees at Bank Mutual, notifying the Department of an armed bank robbery. Employees reported that a male and female entered the bank, one was armed with a pistol and that they held up the bank. The suspects escaped with an undisclosed amount of money. The suspects were subsequently arrested by a task force of detectives from Middleton, Madison, Monona, Dane County Sheriff and FBI Agents. It was determined that they were responsible for holding up nine banks in the area, including the Middleton bank robberies occurring on 10/2/2006 and 11/8/06. Both suspects were heavy heroine users.

06-6226 11/12/06 11:55 PM 5400 Block Century Avenue – Armed Robbery

Employees of Family Video reported that two males entered the store, one displaying a gun, announced “robbery” and left with an undisclosed amount of cash. This case is still under investigation

06-6336 11/18/06 3:28 PM 2500 Block Allen Boulevard – Armed Robbery

A male suspect entered Bergmann’s Pharmacy, was carrying a firearm and demanded Oxycotin and Oxycodiene drugs. This case is still under investigation.

December

06-6732 12/8/2006 2100 Bristol Street-Drug Arrest

The Police School Liaison officer arrested a student for selling drugs on campus and two students for possessing marijuana.

06-6744 12/8/2006 3300 Hedden Road-Sexual Assault of a Minor

Police investigated the report of inappropriate touching of an 11 year old by a 14 year old. Safe Harbor cognitive interviews have been taking place since and it is feared that several minors have been victimized by the suspect. This case is being referred to the District Attorney’s Office for charges.

06-6855 12/14/2006 5100 Churchill Lane-Burglary

Victim reported that while they were at work for the day, someone entered their apartment and took a TV, DVD player, digital camera, X-Box and a computer.



Neighborhood Districts

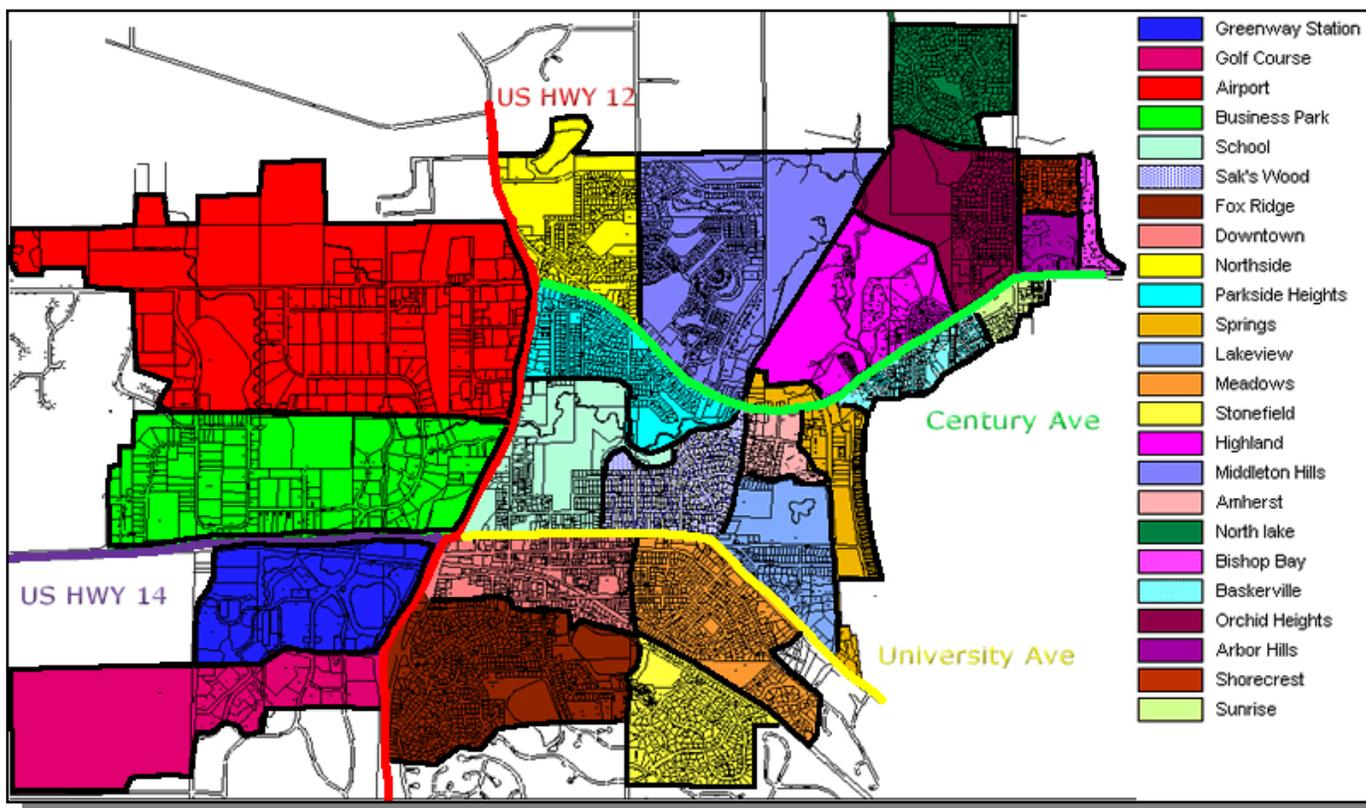
NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICER PROGRAM

We have broken the city down into 24 “neighborhoods”. Uniformed patrol officers are assigned to specific neighborhoods as primary or secondary officers. Even though they do not work or patrol in their neighborhood every day, the officers are responsible for learning of the problems affecting their neighborhoods as well as the people, groups, departments or organizations that can help them solve issues in their neighborhood. Police are seldom the only organization that can solve problems, but we can certainly facilitate problem solving by

identifying problems and getting the appropriate agency to help.

The map pictured below shows how the city is divided into neighborhoods. The map and additional information is available on the department’s website: www.middletonpd.com

Middleton officers have had many successes this year working with the stakeholders in their neighborhoods, other city departments and community groups.



Nuisance Premises Ordinance

One area of concern continues to be pockets of disturbances or disorder in neighborhoods or apartment complexes. The police lobbied the License and Ordinance Committee and City Council for an ordinance that identifies nuisance premises and allows us, after appropriate numbers of contacts and written warnings, to send police service bills to the owner of the property. In 2006, we sent one notice to the owner of a residence where we had been called to 3 times in one month. The tenants were then evicted.

Drug Abatement

The department has also been using drug abatement notices to notify landlords that their tenants have been arrested for significant drug violations and that the landlord is in danger of having their property seized if the violations continue. In 2006, we sent 5 drug abatement notices to landlords or property management companies. In 4 cases, tenants were evicted, in one, we have had no more problems.

Quality of Life Issues

Officers have forged a close working relationship with inspectors from the Fire Department, zoning, building inspection and the Code Compliance Manager to address property maintenance issues. Through this

collaborative effort, many properties which have been an eyesore have been, or are being cleaned up. The department subscribes to the community policing model of the broken windows theory: Evidence of decay in a neighborhood (accumulated trash, broken windows, deteriorated building exteriors, graffiti) causes people who live and work in the area to feel more vulnerable and begin to withdraw. They become less willing to intervene to maintain public order or to address physical signs of deterioration. Sensing this, teens and other possible offenders become bolder and intensify their harassment and vandalism. Residents become yet more fearful and withdraw further from community involvement and upkeep. This atmosphere then attracts offenders from outside the area, who sense that it has become a vulnerable and less risky site for crime. By working with our city partners, we feel we are positively impacting neighborhoods by slowing down, stopping or reversing neighborhood decay.

Middleton officers work closely with landlords, in large apartment complexes, small complexes, troubled streets or individual residences. Officers have been able to intervene or assist landlords in identifying problem tenants to have them removed and to prevent problem tenants from moving into the residence in the first place.



New Officers

Matt Sherry, sworn in as a police officer in April



On April 17, 2006, Matt Sherry was sworn in as a new Police Officer. Matt originally hails from Janesville. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin Parkside. Matt is shown receiving his Law Enforcement Oath of Office plaque from Chief Keil.

Police Officer Olson sworn in as a police officer in September



Police Officer Kim Olson began working for the Middleton Police Department in September. Kim is pictured below after taking the Police Officer Oath of Honor from Chief Keil and being sworn in as an officer by City Clerk Trish Amble. Kim is originally from the Black River Falls area and a 2005 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

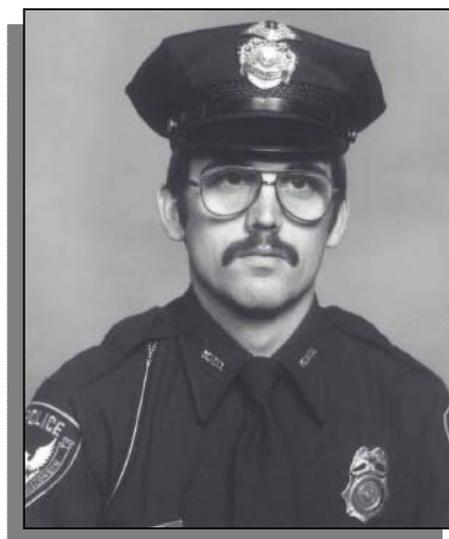


Retirements

Police Officer Keith Benson retires in March

Keith Benson became a police officer with the Middleton Police Department on March 17, 1980. He retired on March 17, 2006. During his time with the Middleton Police Department, Keith worked all 3 shifts, dispatched, and was a court officer, investigator and defense and arrest tactics trainer.

Keith will be missed by his friends, colleagues and those he served.



Keith Benson circa 1980



Keith nearing retirement

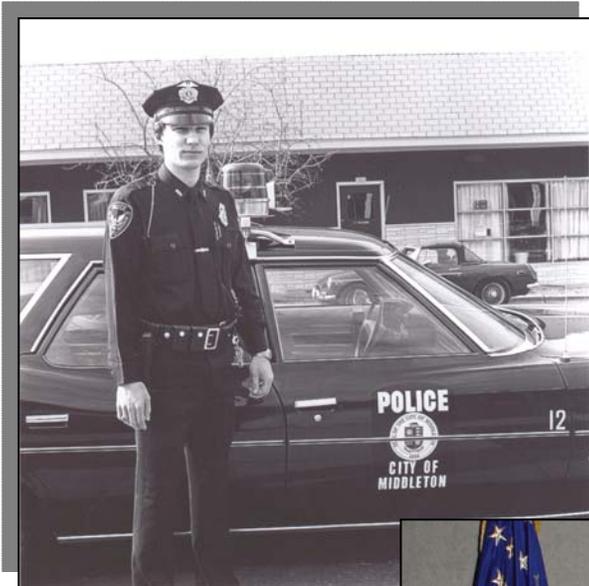
Police Officer Mark Walther retires in May

Mark Walther became a Middleton Police Officer on May 10, 1976 and retired on May 5, 2006. Mark was a valued Middleton employee and trusted friend to many in the department, city and community. During his career, Mark received an incredible 6 Life Saving's Awards, for actions which significantly prolonged a person's life. Mark embraced community policing and became very involved in the lives of people in his assigned neighborhoods and beats.

Mark and his wife Karil live in Middleton with their 3 children. The Walthers are also foster parent volunteers. Mark will be missed by all, good luck!

Mark has begun a second career with the City, he is now a Code Compliance Manager, assisting the police, zoning and building inspection departments.

**Mark Walther
(pictured here on his first day on the job)**



Mark nearing retirement



Police Officer Wipperfurth passes probation

Police Officer Richard Wipperfurth was hired in May of 2005. On November 9, 2006, he completed his probationary period of 18 months. Shortly before that date, an Employee Confirmation Board, comprised of the field training supervisor and staff, met to evaluate Officer Wipperfurth's field training and probationary period. It was the unanimous recommendation of the board that he be advanced from probationary status. Chief Keil agreed with that assessment and granted him permanent status with the department.

Officer Wipperfurth is a 2005 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. His father is a Fitchburg police officer.

Officer Wipperfurth will be assigned to 3rd shift (11PM to 7AM) patrol in 2007. He is the secondary Neighborhood Officer for the Parkside Heights, Springs, Downtown and Greenway Station Neighborhoods.





Investigative Services Bureau Report

The authorized strength of the Middleton Police Investigative Services Bureau (ISB) is a detective sergeant, four detectives and two Police School Liaison Officers (PSLO). The four detectives are: Craig Faga, Patty Faust, David Haselow and Darrin Zimmerman. The two Police School Liaison Officers are Jerry Raffel at the Middleton High School, and Jill Tutaj at Kromrey Middleton School. The unit is supervised by Detective Sergeant Barry Reynolds.

2006 was an extremely busy and challenging year for the investigative unit. There were a high number of major case investigations, including an unprecedented number of armed robberies. Although this was a very busy year, it was also very successful in terms of solving crimes. As indicated below, several major case investigations reached successful conclusions resulting in the identification and arrest of the

suspect(s). Middleton detectives have been recognized by the U.S. Attorney's office, Dane County District Attorney's office, and other local area departments for their efforts in solving these crimes.

Along with normal criminal investigations the detective sergeant reviews crime reports and by using an investigative model, makes the determination if the case has solvability factors or is of significant public seriousness to merit assignment to an investigator; many cases are not assigned; we also investigate worthless check complaints, all death investigations; coordinate the department's proactive programs, such as the Citizen's Academy, and conduct background investigations for prospective hires.

Case Statistics for

Assignment 2006

<u>CASES ASSIGNED</u>	
Total Assigned	281
Cases Closed	94
Cases Unfounded	9
Closure rate	35%
<u>Cases Assigned by Title</u>	
Fraud	63
Burglary	30
Sex Crimes	19
Drugs	12
Death Investigation	12
Robbery	9



Police School Liason Officers

MIPD has two PSLO's, one assigned to the Middleton High School (Jerry Raffel) and one assigned to Kromrey Middle School (Jill Tutaj).

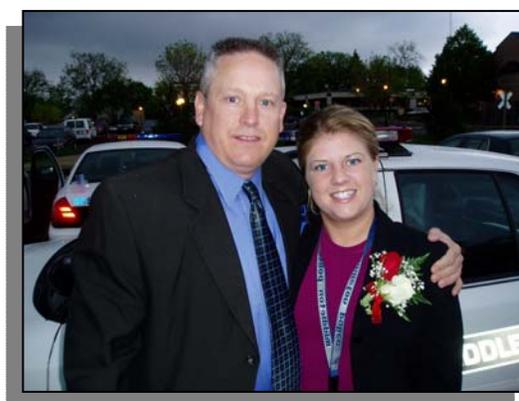
Officer Tutaj not only spends time at the Middle School, but also works in the elementary schools and in the neighborhood adjacent to the high school. Officer Tutaj makes many classroom presentations, including bullying prevention, sexual harassment, alcohol awareness, computer safety and attends pupil



services meetings. Officer Tutaj presents drug prevention and protective behavior classes in the elementary school. Officer Raffel conducts many classroom presentations, including Social Studies classes, Health classes, AODA issues, Sexual Assault Awareness and Drivers Education classes. Officer Raffel is also heavily involved in order maintenance issues within the school and has been successful in introducing initiatives aimed at reducing problems within the school.



Both officers serve an invaluable function in the schools and their presence is appreciated by the administrators, principals, teachers, students and parents.





2006 Training

Inservice Training

Middleton Police officers received 42 hours of in-service training in 2006, well above the 24 hours of in-service or specialized training mandated by the State. Four sessions were conducted with our training partners, Sun Prairie and Fitchburg police departments. MIPD also had one in-service session just for our department. Each department provides instructors for each session. In some cases, outside instructors are brought in for specialized topics.

1st quarter: firearms (including low light shooting), less lethal (bean bag shotgun and Electric Control Device (Taser)) and Defense and Arrest Tactics. 5 sessions were held in January and February at the MATC Commercial Avenue indoor range.

2nd quarter: firearms, gang update (instructed by two members of the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force), and police K-9 interaction (taught by a Sun Prairie police officer and his dog). 4 sessions were held at the Dane County Law Enforcement Training Center in March and April.

3rd quarter: firearms, Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC) and Vehicle Contacts. 4 sessions were conducted, the firearms sessions were held at the Dane County Law Enforcement Training Center, the EVOC and Vehicle Contacts course was held at the Columbus 151 Speedway in May and June.

Below are pictures of the driving course.





Middleton Police Department summer DAAT training: MIPD held a department only training session for Defense and Arrest Tactics (DAAT) and simunition shoot/don't shoot scenarios. 3 sessions were held in August in the Middleton High School wrestling room. Below are pictures

of officers training in the high school wrestling room.

4th quarter: firearms, annual qualification and rapid response to an active shooter. 4 sessions were held in September and October, the firearms qualifications course was held at the Dane County Law Enforcement Training Center, rapid response was held at an abandoned apartment complex in Fitchburg.





Specialized Training

The Middleton Police Department training budget for 2006 was \$25,100.00. The department also received \$6,000.00 from the Wisconsin Department of Justice Training and Standards Bureau to be used for training purposes. The combined budgets are to be used for training classes, travel, meal reimbursements, lodging, periodicals, membership to professional organizations and training supplies for sworn staff and civilians in the department. In 2006, the entire \$6,000.00 from the DOJ reimbursement was used and \$25,393.76 from the training budget was used.

A 2006 Training Unit goal was to find grants or other alternatives to fund training. *The department received funding grants in the amount of \$5,500.00 for management and problem oriented policing training, \$1,000.00 from the City's IT department for computer software training and found numerous classes for employees where there was no cost associated with attending.*

In total in 2006, 427 officers attended a total of 118 classes for 5,085 hours. The training supervisor, with input from shift commanders, develops a priority of training issues and then designate officers who have expertise in that area or have expressed an interest in the topic. Officers are then designated to attend the training course. A partial list of training classes that Middleton officers attended in 2006:

January

Emotional Survival for Law Enforcement, 8 hours, 9 officers.

Wisconsin, Community Oriented Policing Training Symposium, 20 hours, 1 officer.

Excited Delirium Training, 2 hours, entire department.

Special Events Team Training, 40 hours, 6 officers.

Middleton, Sun Prairie and Fitchburg Police Departments combined resources to form a Special Events Team. This team is trained in low risk search warrant entry, assisting the Sheriff's Department Emergency Response Team in setting up a perimeter in hostage or barricaded subject incidents and crowd control. The unit received initial training in early 2006, then periodically throughout the year.

The unit was used for search warrants in each community, assisted in setting up a perimeter in a barricaded subject incident in Middleton and participated in crowd control for Halloween on State Street in Madison. Below are pictures of the team practicing entry to a residence.



February

Uniting in the Search for Missing Children and Adults, 20 hours, 1 officer.

March

Excel XP-Level I, 8 hours, 5 officers and office staff.

Delinquency Control Institute, 40 hours, 2 officers.

Responding to Missing and Abducted Children, 24 hours, 1 officer.

FBI Interview and Interrogation, 16 hours, 1 officer.

Law Enforcement Training Officers Association Spring Conference, 16 hours, 1 officer.

Wisconsin Traffic Safety Officers Association Conference, 14 hours, 1 officer.

Emergency Police Dispatching, 24 hours, 8 dispatchers, 4 officers.

Investigation and Community Response to Stalking and Strangulation Cases, 16 hours, 1 officer.

April

Clandestine Meth Lab Investigations, 24 hours, 1 officer.

Teaching Safe Bicycling, 8 hours, 1 officer.

Interview and Interrogation for Law Enforcement, 16 hours, 1 officer.

Pedestrian and Bicycle Law Enforcement, 16 hours, 3 officers.

Strategies for Investigating Personal Crimes, 8 hours, 1 officer.

May

Cognitive Graphic Interviewing, 24 hours, 1 officer.

Handling School Bomb Threats, 8 hours, 1 officer.

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design, 40 hours, 1 officer.

June

Technical Crash Investigation, 40 hours, 1 officer.

Carbine Operators Course, 24 hours, 1 officer.

Unified Tactical Instructor Course, 8 hours, 6 officers.

July

Meth Awareness and Interdiction, 4 hours, 7 officers.

Defense and Arrest Tactics Instructor, 80 hours, 2 officers.

August

Crimes Against Children, 8 hours, 1 officer.

FBI Officers Killed and Assaulted, 8 hours, 4 officers.

Governor's Conference on Highway Safety, 12 hours, 1 officer.

Traffic Law Enforcement, 35 hours, 2 officers.

Internet Crime Prevention, 8 hours, 1 officer.

September

Spanish I, 20 hours, 1 officer.

DOJ Criminal Justice Conference, 20 hours, 2 officers.

Stalking and Strangulation for Law Enforcement, 8 hours, 1 officer.

Dane County Gang Summit, 6 hours, 3 officers.

Wisconsin Juvenile Officers Association Conference, 20 hours, 1 officer.

Taser Instructor Recertification, 16 hours, 2 officers.

October

Field Training Officer Conference, 20 hours, 3 officers.

International Association of Financial Crime Investigators Seminar, 8 hours, 2 officers.

November

Instructor Development Course, 32 hours, 1 officer.

December

DNA and Crime Scene Management, 16 hours, 4 officers.

NCIC, An Investigative Tool, 4 hours, 2 officers.

Remedial Firearm Train the Trainer, 8 hours, 1 officer.

Management Training

Management Staff members were involved in over 600 hours of training that included such topics as: Innovations in Police Accountability; Patrol Deployment and Scheduling; Internal Affairs; Legal and Operational Issues; Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Forum;

Surviving the Pandemic Flu Epidemic; Policing Diverse Populations; Media Relations for Law Enforcement, Problem Oriented Policing for the Executive;

Incident Command System levels 200 and 300; Managing the Training Unit; and the Problem Oriented Policing Conference.

Police Management Long Schools

A training goal for 2006 was for members of the Command Staff to attend a police management long school. Lt. Kakuske and Sgt. Reynolds were able to attend a course of this nature in 2006. Lt. Foulke will be attending the FBI National Academy beginning in January of 2007.

Executive Development Institute, Appleton, WI, 10 weeks, Reynolds.

Northwestern School of Staff and Command, Milwaukee, WI, 10 weeks, Kakuske.

FBI National Academy, Quantico, VA, 10 weeks, Foulke (1/8/07 to 3/16/2007)



Communications, Records & Court Activity

Middleton Police Dispatchers completed the 24-hour **National Academy of Emergency Police Dispatch** Course and certification exam in March

MIPD and TDS have installed a back-up **9-1-1 system for disaster scenarios**. Under this system, if a 9-1-1 call made from a TDS exchange could not get out of Middleton to the publicly switched network because of some calamity, the call would automatically be routed to the MIPD 9-1-1 center. Heretofore, the caller would have received a rapid busy signal. This is the only such system in the area.

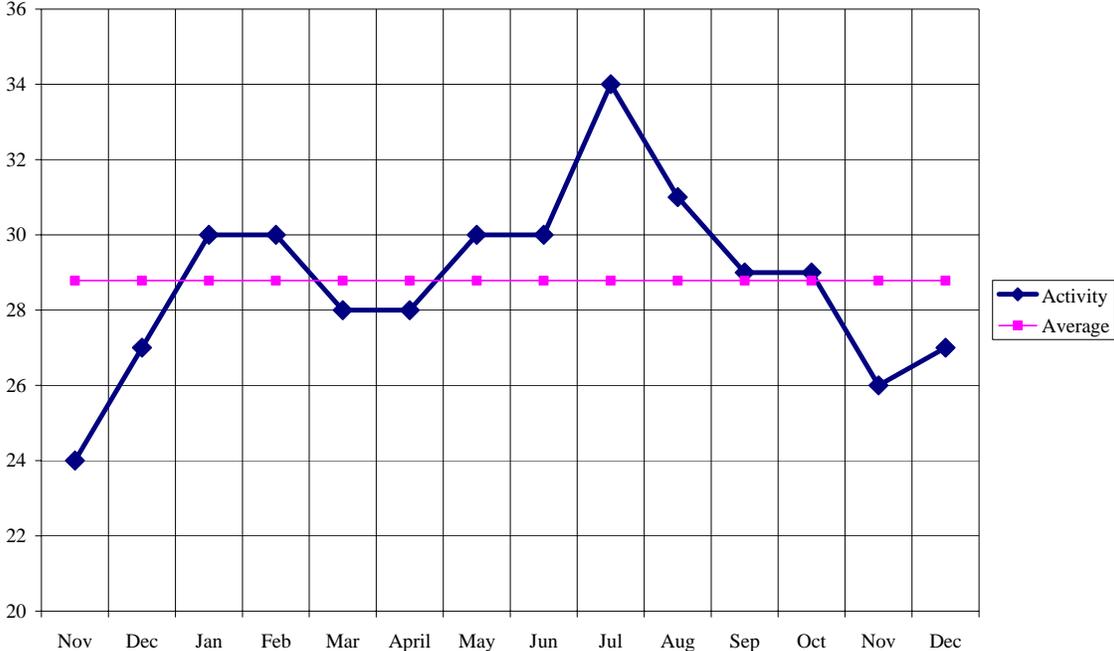


MIPD implemented a **Field Reporting** system where by simple reports are submitted completely electronically from squad cars in the field. This was followed by **TRACS** Accident Reports, and TRACS citations will be implemented in early 2007. These systems allow the importing of data from query returns directly into police reports accidents, and citations. Once data is captured, it flows from the officer, to the records and CAD systems, and then to the Court and the Department of Transportation.

incident locations, the sector would be permanently routed to Middleton. If not, they would be permanently routed to Dane County. With the agreement in hand, it was agreed that the system would be turned on and Dane County would take the first 90-day test period. Data for December 2006 has been collected. A motion to endorse the agreement between Dane County and Middleton failed at the December 20, 2006 Dane County Public Safety Communications Board meeting.

Implementation of **Phase I and Phase II Enhanced Wireless 9-1-1 service** by MIPD has been delayed for a year after Dane County disputed the routing of Wireless 9-1-1 calls to MIPD. Middleton and Dane County have since entered into a signed agreement wherein Dane County would test Middleton 9-1-1 call routing for 90 days, followed by a MIPD test of the call routing for 90 days. The agreement established that final routing for each cell sector in dispute would be determined by the percentage of calls with an incident location in the City of Middleton during the test periods. If 75% or more of the calls from a specific cell sector had Middleton

Communication Center Activities by Month



Communications Center Activities & Tasks	
2006	2006
Shift Hours Staffed	8,760
Activity Total	253,207
9-1-1 Calls	2,243
Non-Emergency Phone Calls	43,511
Counter Service	2,665
Citizen Assist - Dispatcher Answer/Solve	307
Tagged Freedom Calls	33
Warrant Preparation	1,165
Warrant Entry/Cancellation	1,081
Other Crime Bureau Processing	14,776
Business Watch File	0
CAD File Update/Entry	750
Pawn Record Entries	533
Alibis	27
License/Permit History Check	378
Special Searches - Special Details	2,975
Parking Tickets Entered	1,657
RMS Reports Entered	134
Receive Payment, Bail, or Fee	191
Hours & Activity Reporting	488
Training - Attending or Providing	243
Validations	609
Web Page Update Hours	38
QA Hours & Scheduling Hours	17
Number of Incidents	7,086
Number of Calls for Service	17,230
CAD Transactions	155,070
Activity Rate per Hour =	29
Activity Rate per Shift Per Dispatcher =	231



Department Awards / News

2006 Awards Presentation

SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARY AWARDS

Janelle Zimmerman, 5 years: June 18, 2001

David Kasdorf, 15 years: August 5, 1991

Barry Reynolds, 20 years: February 10, 1986

Chuck Foulke, 25 years: July 1, 1981

Mark Walther, 30 years: May 10, 1976

OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS

Mark Walther: Mark retired from the Middleton Police Department on May 5, 2006. Mark accomplished many things during his 30 year tenure, among them six life saving awards and the way he embraced Community Policing and was a positive force in the neighborhoods and beats that he patrolled. Mark Walther was the type of officer you would want to show up at your door if you needed help.

Wendy Marquardt: Wendy has been a dispatcher for the Middleton Police Dispatcher since 1997.

The first words out of her mouth when someone calls or comes into the police station is: "How can I help"? In the past year Wendy has worked exceptionally hard to upgrade the professionalism of Middleton Dispatchers. She tirelessly worked on researching and improving our Emergency Medical Dispatch response and has recently been working in implementing Pro QA software, a computer program which assists Dispatchers in obtaining the correct information from emergency callers. Middleton will be the first agency in Dane County to use this state of the art program.

LIFE SAVINGS AWARDS

The Middleton Police Department awards Life Savings Awards to employees whose actions significantly prolong the life of another.

Greg Dixon: On April 10, 2006, Officer Dixon and Middleton Paramedics were dispatched to a Middleton residence on a reported “man down” call. Upon arrival, it was determined the man was not breathing and had no pulse. Officer Dixon performed CPR while Paramedics prepared IV’s to administer to the patient. Due to the efforts by Officer Dixon and Paramedics, the patient regained his pulse and began breathing on his own prior to transport to the hospital. Although the patient ultimately died in the hospital several days later, his family appreciated the fact that they could better prepare for his death and allowed them to say their goodbyes.

Greg has been an officer with Middleton PD since 1989 and is assigned to first shift patrol.

Michael Wood and Richard Wipperfurth: On 4/13/2006 at 6:30 PM, the Middleton Police Department was notified that a passenger in a vehicle had suffered a heart attack and was not breathing. Middleton Paramedics and Police Officers were dispatched to the 6600 of University Ave. Police Officer Michael Wood was the first on scene. He found a female relative of the

stricken man attempting to perform CPR. Her attempts were largely ineffective, in large part because the man was still seated in the vehicle. Officer Wood requested the assistance of several nearby onlookers. Officer Wood and the onlookers pulled the man from the car and laid him on the terrace. Officer Richard Wipperfurth arrived next and began performing rescue breathing on the man, while the female relative delivered chest compressions. Officer Wood hooked up the Automatic External Defibrillator (AED), which he had retrieved from his squad car. The AED confirmed the man had no pulse and was not breathing. The AED indicated a shock was appropriate. Officer Wood administered the shock. Middleton Paramedics arrived and began supplying advanced life support efforts. The man was transported to the hospital. On the way to the hospital, the man’s heart began beating normally, he began breathing and he even engaged paramedics in conversation. The man was subsequently released from the hospital.

Officer Wood has been a Middleton Officer since 2004 and works 2nd shift patrol

Officer Wipperfurth has been an officer with Middleton PD since 2005 and is currently working 3rd shift patrol.



OTHER AWARDS

On May 5, 2006, Officers *Mark Walther, Det. Patty Faust and PSLO Jill Tutaj* were honored for their work by the *Downtown Exchange Club in Madison at their annual Awards Ceremony.*

On May 15, *PSLO Jerry Raffel* was awarded for his work with youth from the Middleton Optimist Club when he received an award for “Officer of the Year.”

Wisconsin Victim/Witness Professional Association 2006 Victim Advocacy Award

Presented by Dane County District Attorney Brian Blanchard, Dane County Assistant District Attorney Ishmael Ozanne and Domestic Violence Specialist in the Victim/Witness Division of the District Attorney’s Office Marlys Howe.

In November 2004, the Middleton Police Department investigated the kidnapping, sexual assault and murder of Jennifer Hitchcock, a young woman from Nebraska. In October of 2005, Bennie Frier and Maurice Mason were sentenced for their roles in these crimes as well as the homicide of a cab driver in Baraboo and the kidnapping and imprisonment of a man in Mauston which left him with grievous injuries.

Middleton Police employees *Lt. Charles Foulke, Sgt. Troy Hellenbrand, Sgt. Steve Britt, Det. Craig Faga, Det. Mike Miller and Court Officer Lynn Endres* received a 2006 Victim Advocacy Award for “Outstanding Victim Advocacy” from the *Wisconsin Victim/Witness Professional Association.*

Also attending the ceremony was Jennifer Hitchcock’s grandmother and 2 aunts, who drove to Middleton from Nebraska to participate in the awards ceremony.



Other News

Kakuske Graduates

Lt. Noel Kakuske graduated from the School of Police Staff and Command in December 2006.

Kakuske successfully completed the ten-week Staff and Command program held in Milwaukee from Oct. 2 through Dec. 15 of 2006. The program, which was implemented by the Center for Public Safety in 1983, has graduated over 7500 students both nationally and internationally.

Kakuske was a student in SPSC 236th Class, which accommodated a total of 30 students for a ten-week period.

The School of Police Staff and Command provides upper-level college instruction in a total of twenty-two core or mandatory blocks of

instruction and utilizes nine additional optional blocks of instruction during each session. The major topics of study include: Management and Management Theory, Organizational Behavior, Human Resources for Law Enforcement, Budgeting, Staffing Allocation and Personnel Development.

The Center for Public Safety was established at Northwestern University in 1936 with the specific goal of expanding university –based education and training for the Law Enforcement Community. Since its inception, the Center has broadened its original objective and now provides a variety of courses and programs in the area of Police Training, Management Training and Executive Development. *(Source Middleton Times Tribune)*

Department Began Using Virtual Partner In June

MIDDLETON, Wis. - Middleton police have a new high-tech way of catching law breakers.

Since June, officers have been patrolling the streets with a virtual partner.

The new technology uses voice response when officers run license plate numbers. "We want to pay attention to the people that are in the car, see what they're doing, and if our attention is focused on the computer screen to get all the information, it's a little harder that way," said Officer Greg Dixon. Dixon has been on patrol for 17 years. He said in the last few years, he's seen a surge in new technologies for his car; gadgets such as GPS locators, light-activated cameras and personal computers. "I think initially there were just a lot of things to do," said Dixon. "People are becoming accustomed to them. They really do help us a lot."

The Virtual Partner is designed to improve access to vehicle information and personal safety.

"The advantage would be we don't actually have to take our eyes away from the road to look at the screen to get the information," said Dixon. "If we had a person, it would say their driving status, if they were revoked, suspended, a valid license, if they were wanted." Dixon said Middleton is the first local police station to adopt the equipment, but other departments might see a Virtual Partner in the future.

"The feedback that I've seen when I've shown it to other departments has been really positive with the officers," said Dixon. "I wouldn't be surprised if this becomes the standard."

Currently, 20,000 officers nationwide use virtual partner. *(Source Channel 3000 News)*

Continued federal funding for the joint records/technology consortium announced



Representative Tammy Baldwin, 2nd Congressional District of Wisconsin, announced further federal funding for the joint records/technology consortium of the Middleton, Fitchburg and Sun Prairie Police Departments

Middleton Police and Culvers Raise Money for the Holidays

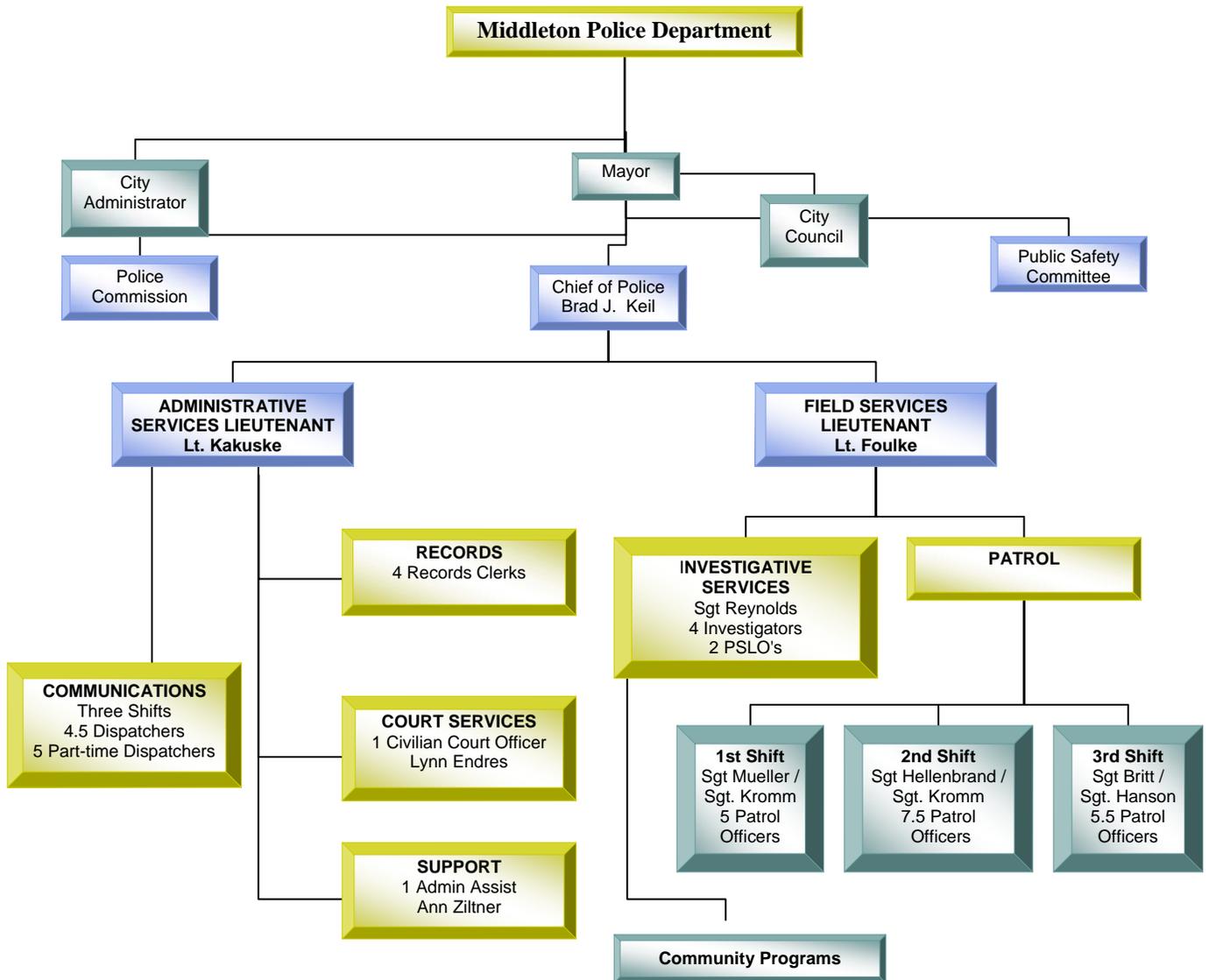


Police Officers Mike Wood, Jill Tutaj and Sgt Troy Hellenbrand volunteered their time to work at the local Culvers restaurant to raise money for the annual Shop with a Cop program. Ten percent of all sales that day were donated by Culvers restaurant to the charity.



Appendix

2006 Organizational Chart



2006 Crime & Arrest Data

Category	2006	6-Year Average	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Total Crimes	520	589	581	622	620	621	569
Personal Crimes	66	72	78	81	71	75	63
Property Crimes	454	517	503	541	549	546	506
Sexual Assault	3	3	6	2	3	1	2
Robbery	11	5	5	4	4	4	3
Assault/Battery	52	64	67	74	64	70	58
Burglary	63	69	94	95	54	63	44
Theft	373	427	392	418	475	469	432
Motor Vehicle Theft	18	21	17	28	20	14	30
Clearance Rate	31.7%	28.3%	22.0%	29.4%	25.6%	27.0%	34.2%
Stolen Property Value	\$516,422	\$458,283	\$365,952	\$375,948	\$387,201	\$337,575	\$766,599
Recovered Property Value	\$98,219	\$174,748	\$142,922	\$91,203	\$108,493	\$93,555	\$514,098
Recovery Rate	19%	34%	39%	24%	28%	28%	67%
Calls	17,230	15,451	15,654	15,637	15,843	14,017	14,326
Incidents	7,086	6,102	6,055	-	-	-	-
Accidents	695	742	821	825	705	696	712
Traffic Complaints	341	359	434	367	293	-	-
Traffic Stops	4,260	3,368	2,691	2,957	3,654	3,149	3,496
Total Traffic Citations	3,986	2,694	2,560	2,430	2,589	2,360	2,237
Speeding Citations	1,746	1,001	835	797	966	985	678
OWI Arrests	239	202	191	217	222	150	195
Total UCR Arrests	1,266	1,328	1,329	1,403	1,330	1,279	1,359
Drug Arrests	112	107	91	125	143	104	69
Disorderly Conduct Arrests	222	245	232	274	260	274	207
Resisting Officer Arrests	50	67	68	72	65	63	85
Possession of Tobacco	35	55	31	50	63	79	74
Alcohol Citations	203	210	215	190	222	235	196
Noise Citations	39	21	41	24	11	9	4

Crimes per 100K Population						
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total Crime Rate*	3,579	3,860	3,789	3,782	3,467	3,071
Personal Crime Rate*	396	466	434	493	465	390
Property Crime Rate	3,183	3,394	3,355	3,290	3,001	2,681

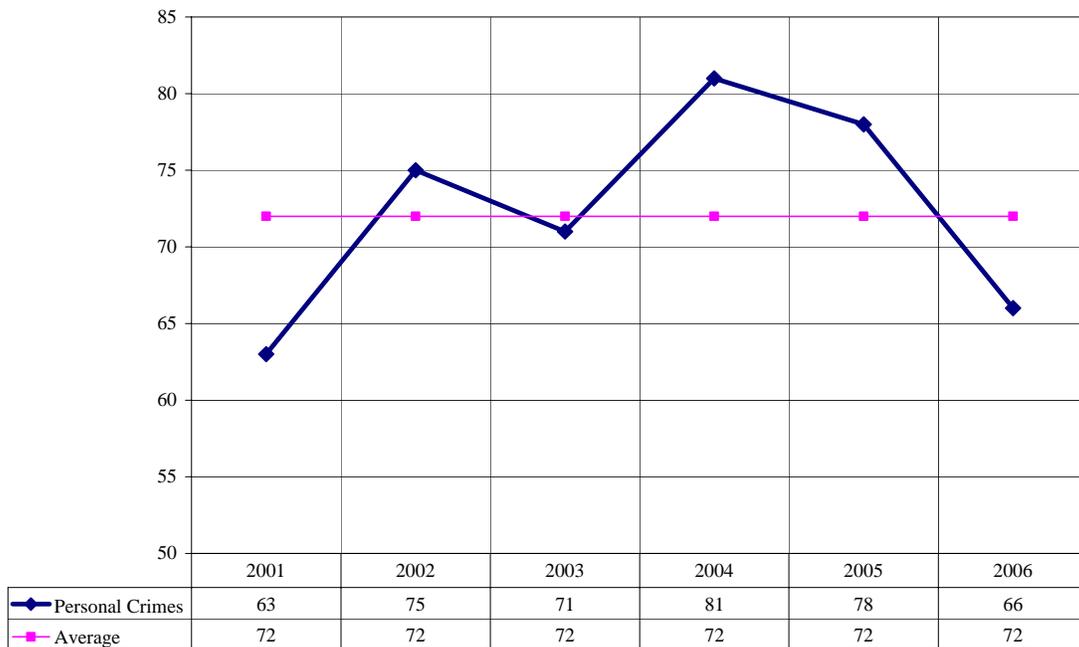
Total Crimes per 100K Population
(Includes Simple Batteries)



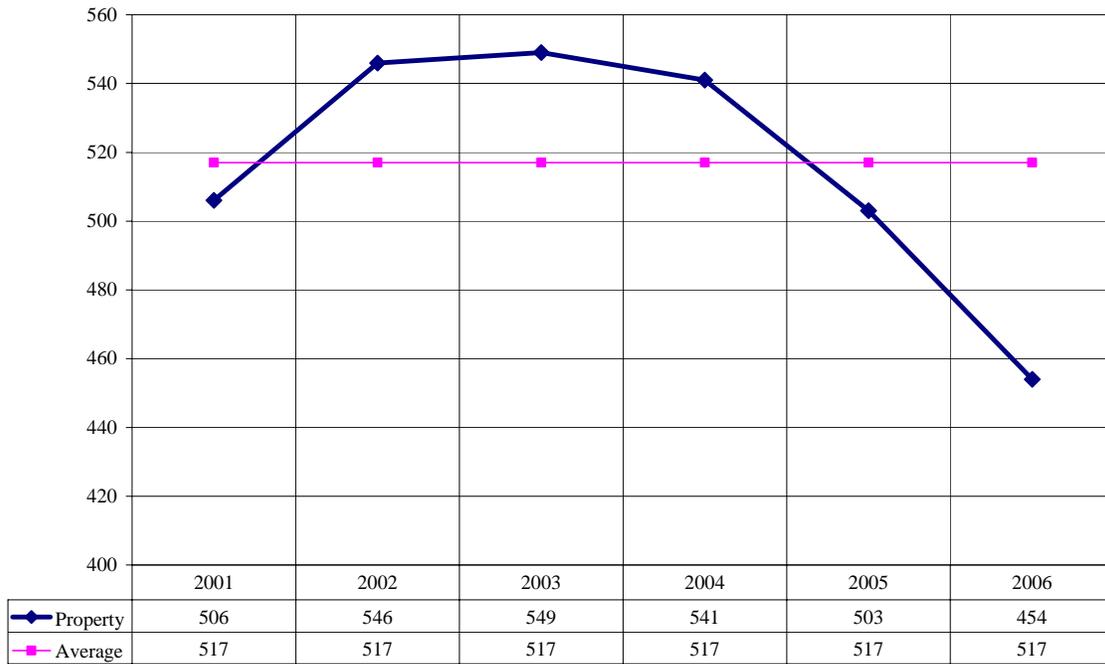
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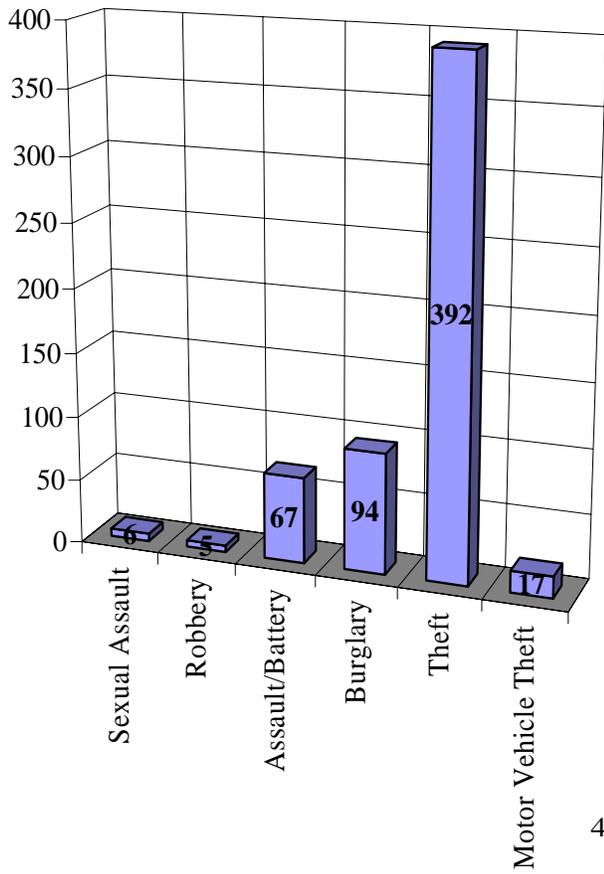
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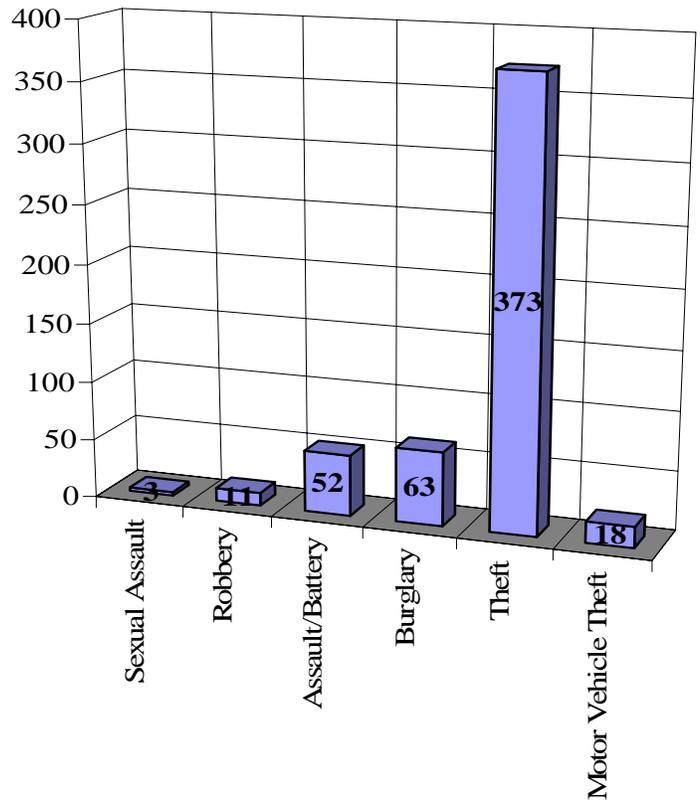
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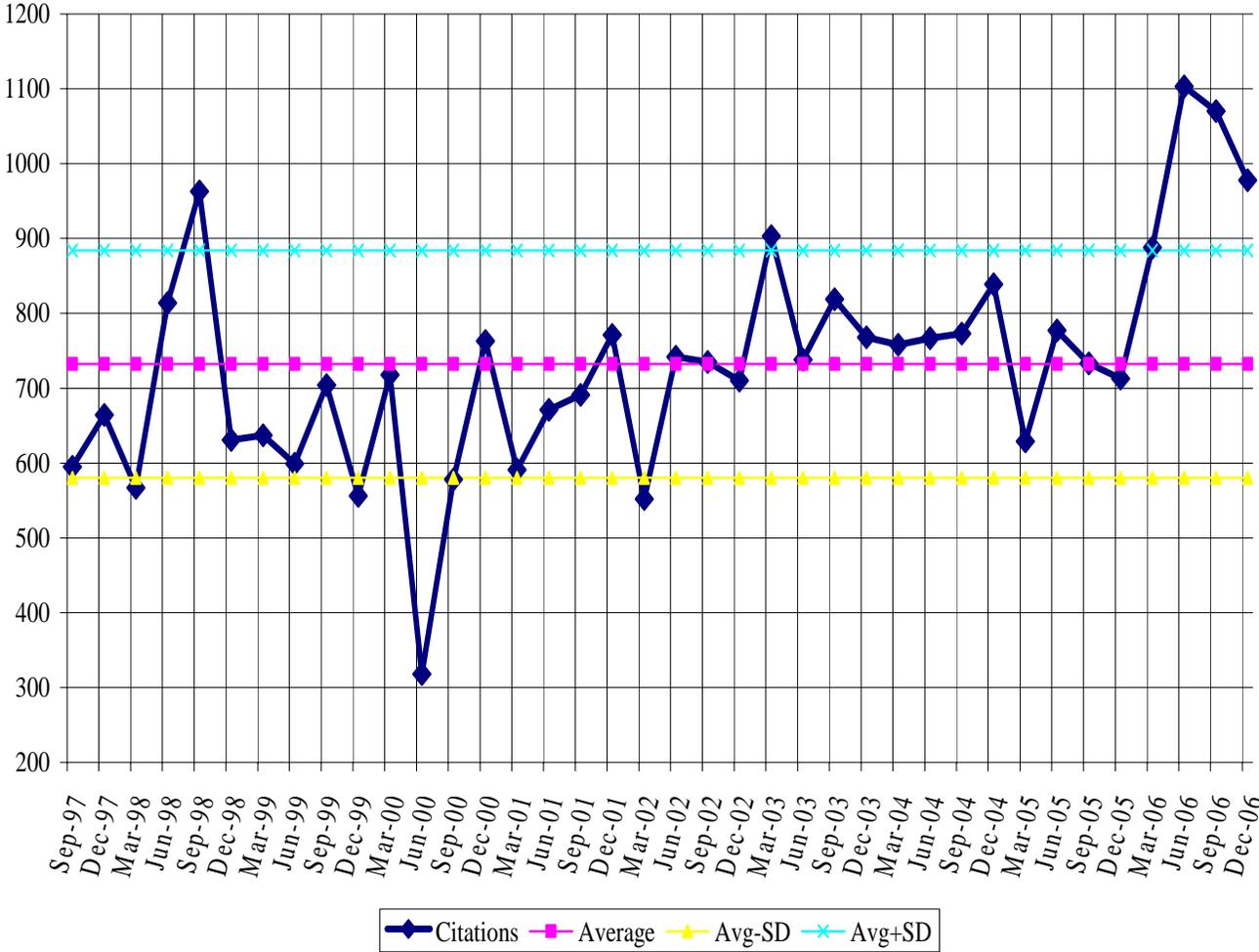
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Municipal Citations by Quarter



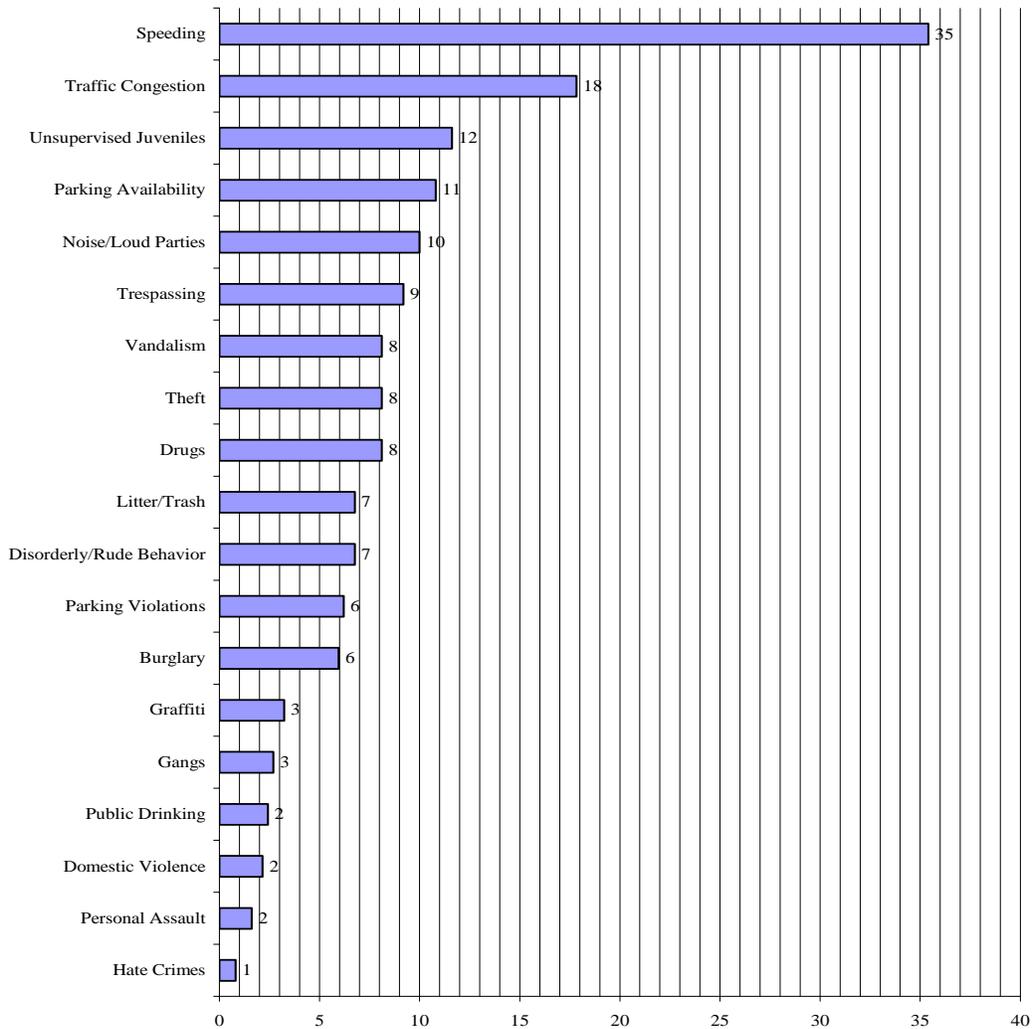
MIDDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Middleton Police Department developed a community survey form to determine what concerns the citizens and how the police department is meeting their needs. A total of 600 survey forms were hand-delivered by Middleton Police Officers in the fall of 2006. A total of 370 survey forms were returned and

tabulated and represent 100%. On some surveys, some questions were not answered and this resulted in less than a 100% response rate for that question. This survey was sponsored and paid for by the William Sonny Simon VFW Post #8216.

How serious of a problem are the following in your neighborhood?

**2006 City-Wide - Percent Reporting
Moderate or Major Problem**



Please circle the answer that best reflects your opinion.

I live / work / both in Middleton.

62% 9% 27%

I have had contact with a Middleton Police Officer either in person or on the phone:

A. Within the last year B. Within the last 5 years C. Never

50% 32% 15%

I have had contact with another Middleton Police employee (Dispatcher, Records Clerk, Administrative Assistant or other) (please circle one).

A. Within the last year B. Within last 5 years C. Never

37% 23% 37%

A year from now, do you think your neighborhood will be a better place to live, worse place or stay about the same?

A. Better place B. Worse place C. Stay the same

8% 8% 82%

How safe do you feel when you are at home at night?

A. Very Safe B. Safe C. Somewhat Safe D. Unsafe E. Very Unsafe

43% 43% 9% 0% 0%

How often do you see Middleton Police Officers in your neighborhood?

- | | | | | |
|--------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|----------|
| A. Very Frequently | B. Frequently | C. Occasionally | D. Rarely | E. Never |
| 4% | 27% | 46% | 20% | 2% |

How courteous are Middleton Police Officers?

- | | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| A. Very Courteous | B. Courteous | C. Somewhat Courteous |
| 57% | 35% | 5% |
| D. Discourteous | E. Very Discourteous | |
| 0% | 0% | |

How professional are Middleton Police Officers?

- | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| A. Very Professional | B. Professional | C. Somewhat Professional |
| 52% | 43% | 3% |
| D. Unprofessional | E. Very Unprofessional | |
| 0% | 0% | |

How ethical are Middleton Police Officers?

- | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| A. Very Ethical | B. Ethical | C. Somewhat Ethical |
| 43% | 40% | 4% |
| D. Unethical | E. Very Unethical | |
| 1% | 0% | |

How satisfied are you with the Middleton Police response to calls for service?

A. Very Satisfied B. Satisfied C. Somewhat Satisfied

49% 34% 4%

D. Dissatisfied E. Very Dissatisfied

1% 0%

Overall, how satisfied are you with the performance of the Middleton Police Department?

A. Very Satisfied B. Satisfied C. Somewhat Satisfied

51% 42% 4%

D. Dissatisfied E. Very Dissatisfied

1% 0%

How effective are the Middleton Police in handling problems in your neighborhood?

A. Very Effective B. Effective C. Somewhat Effective

36% 44% 7%

D. Ineffective E. Very Ineffective

1% 0%

Please circle the following programs provided by the Middleton Police Department that you are aware of:

Business Watch School Liaison Officers Neighborhood Officer Program

22% 45% 22%

Bike Safety Program Senior Triad Shop With a Cop National Night Out

38% 4% 13% 23%

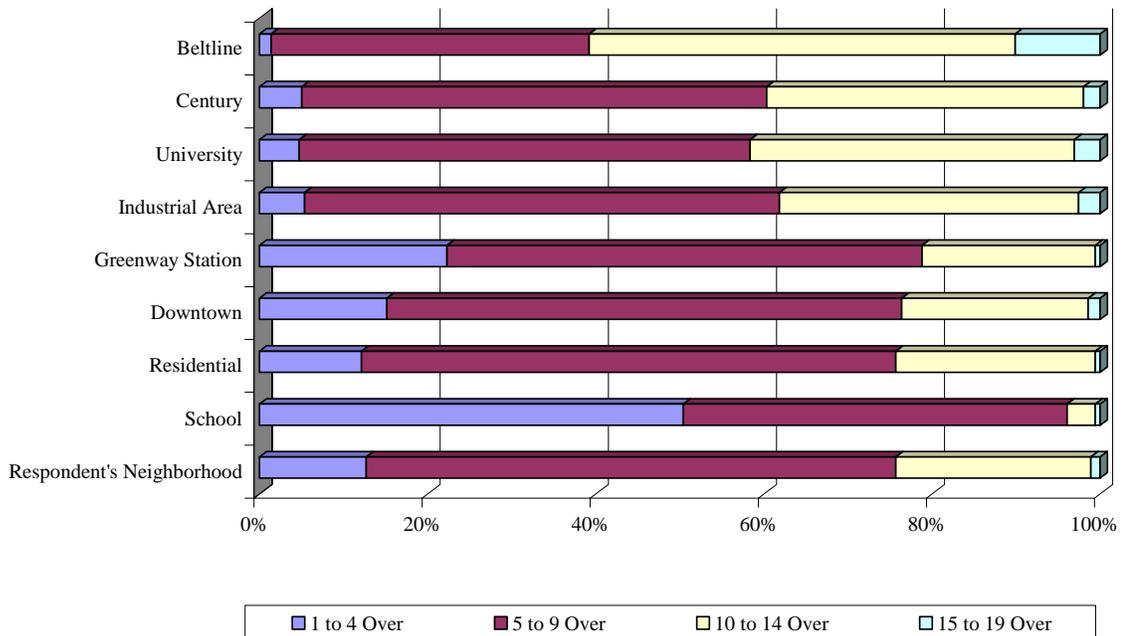
Child ID Program Citizen's Academy

23% 7%

If you or someone else is driving over the speed limit, at what speed would you expect the police to issue a traffic citation?

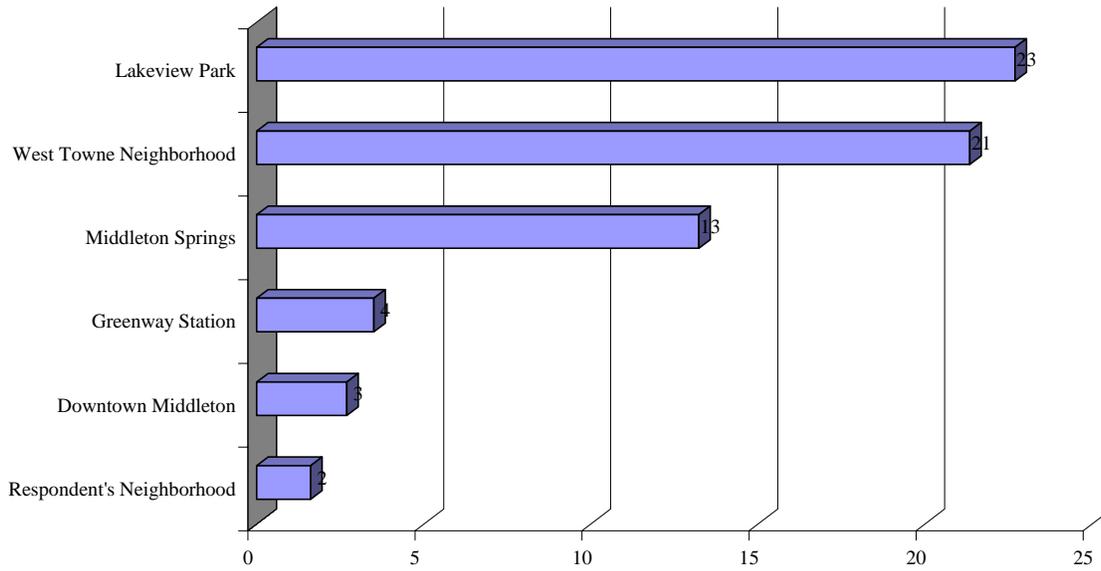
Type of Area	1 to 4 MPH Over the Limit	5 to 9 MPH Over the Limit	10-14 MPH Over the Limit	15 to 19 MPH Over the Limit
Your Neighborhood	12%	62%	23%	1%
School (15 mph zone)	49%	44%	3%	1%
Residential (25 mph zone)	12%	61%	23%	1%
Downtown (25 mph)	15%	59%	21%	1%
Greenway Station	21%	54%	20%	1%
Industrial Area	5%	54%	34%	2%
University Ave	5%	52%	37%	3%
Century Ave	5%	54%	37%	2%
Beltline	1%	37%	49%	10%

Speed at Which Police Should Start Issuing Traffic Citations



How safe is it to walk around the following areas after dark?

Unsafe or Very Unsafe After Dark



Satisfied or Very Satisfied

