

# City of Middleton Police Department



## Annual Report 2007

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# *"Making a Difference"*

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

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



February 2008

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 2007. 2007 was a year of great accomplishments for our community and our department. We are proud to be an integral part of the "Best Place to Live in America."

We continue to see an increase in calls for service due to the continued growth in and around our community. Our **calls for service increased by over 11% in 2007**. Although we are busier as a department, we are pleased that reported **crime has declined** once again from the previous year and has declined by **22% since 2004**. **Personal crimes** such as Battery, Disorderly Conduct and Robbery **declined 40%** from the previous year. **Property crimes** such as Theft, Criminal Damage to Property and Burglary **declined by over 2%**. Overall crime **declined by over 7% in 2007**. The **crime rate (crimes per population) was at its lowest rate since 1999**.

Middleton is now one of only two agencies in Dane County that receives **Wireless 911 Calls**. This advance in technology greatly increases response times for our public safety personnel and adds to the quality of service to our community.

We continue to explore **grant opportunities** and have been successful in obtaining funds to help us achieve our mission. Our participation in a consolidated records management system with the Cities of Sun Prairie and Fitchburg enabled our cities to receive over **\$490,000** in the form of a **COPS (Community Oriented Policing)Technology Grant** that will help pay for future technology and information sharing with our partners and other Law Enforcement Agencies. Our Department received a **\$47,000 COPS Safe School Grant in 2007** to help improve safety and security in our schools.

Community Outreach continues to be an important part of our mission. This year's **National Night Out** was bigger and better than ever with an estimated crowd of over 500 people attending the event. We graduated 13 citizens from our **Citizens Academy** and continued to participate in many other outreach activities highlighted in the body of this report.

We expanded our **traffic enforcement efforts and traffic educational efforts** in 2007. The issuance of traffic **citations increased by 15% in 2007** and we continue to participate in county-wide special enforcement programs aimed at reducing speeds and driving behavior that often leads to traffic crashes.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions regarding this report. If you have any other questions or concerns, you can contact us through our general number at 827-1000 or through the contacts listed at our website at [www.middletonpd.com](http://www.middletonpd.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. J. Keil".

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



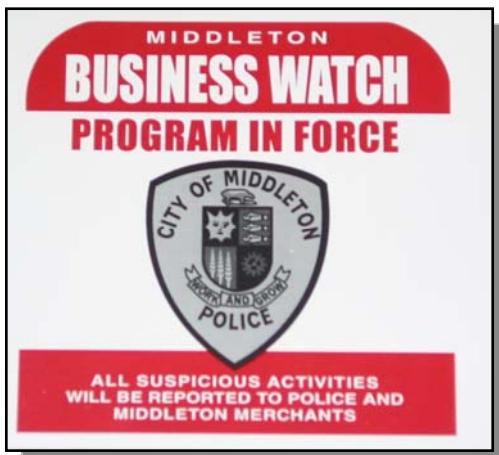
# Crime Prevention /Community Outreach

*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 Middleton Business Watch program has been very successful since its conception and currently has approximately 350 members. In 2007, the Department distributed 19 crime and informational alerts to Business Watch members. The Department also held two Business Watch informational seminars for members. The first, held on April 10, 2007, was a Security Expo and offered the opportunity for members to learn from security, safety, and electronic surveillance professionals. The "open house" format allowed attendees to meet individually with security professionals, discuss individual problems and concerns, and learn about new technology.



The second informational seminar combined the MBW Annual Membership Meeting with a very informational session on identity theft. This seminar was held on October 14, 2007, and was hosted by Fitzgerald's of Middleton. The keynote speaker at this event was Special Agent Dennis Drazkowski of the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation. Special Agent Drazkowski, of the Milwaukee Region Office of the WI Department of Justice, specializes in Identity Theft investigations and the Wisconsin identity theft laws.

MBW plans on continuing the Business Watch seminars in the spring of 2008.

### **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. This past year was a very successful year for the Child Safety Initiative, as several community events were held to increase community awareness. Walgreen's of Middleton hosted two Child Safety Days during the

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year, featuring McGruff the Crime Dog and the Department's Child ID Kits. Walgreen's also contributed free child ID photo's for all families in attendance. The Exchange Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse also hosted a Child Safety event at Copp's Food Store, and the Middleton Senior Center hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "4 the Ones You Love" family safety event.

The Department's Child Safety Initiative and the "Missing Child Response Plan" developed by Sgt. Barry Reynolds have been recognized as model community and law enforcement plans for child safety. The "Missing Child Response Plan" is now being utilized by the State of Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation as a model for local law enforcement investigators. Sgt. Reynolds has again been selected as an instructor at the annual National Conference for Investigating Missing Children and Adults.

#### **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.

#### **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

## Citizen Police Academy:

The Department held its first Citizens Academy in the spring of 2005 and has since held three more sessions, including one in the fall of 2007. Thirteen members of the community attended the eight 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 2008.



## Shop with a Cop:

In 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. Officer Jill Tutaj organized the Department's Shop with a Cop program again this year and has done a tremendous job soliciting donations from local businesses to be used towards the program. She also organizes Department volunteers who agree to give their time to help kids and families in the Middleton area. Middleton officers meet with the

kids at a Madison area Target store and, using the funds donated, help the children to buy holiday gifts for themselves and their families. Thanks to Officer Tutaj, Middleton's Shop with a Cop Program is one of the most successful in Dane County.



## National Night Out:

The third annual National Night Out event was held at Lakeview Park, August 10, 2007. 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 Sheriff's K-9, and a bike rodeo safety course. There were also booths on various aspects of safety and/or crime prevention from U.W.



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Health, Springs Window Fashions, Middleton Senior Center/Dane County Elder Abuse, West Madison-Middleton Rotary/MATC Motorcycle Safety Program.

### Middleton SCAN:

The Middleton Police and the Middleton Senior Center have worked closely together in the Middleton TRIAD program for the past several years. The Triad program involved senior citizens and the Police Department working together to prevent crime against the elderly. In an effort to become more inclusive of all community members, the Triad program was re-named Middleton SCAN.



SCAN is the Middleton Safety and Crime Awareness Network, an initiative of the Middleton Police Department and the Middleton Senior Center. The goal of SCAN is to develop a communication network within the Middleton community which can be used by the Police Department and citizens to share information on crime and crime prevention. SCAN will form partnerships with local residents, neighborhood groups, Middleton Outreach Ministry, church organizations, local businesses, and the local media, among others, to develop a fast and efficient means of communication to disseminate information. Following the success of the Middleton Business Watch partnership, SCAN will follow a similar model to keep residents more aware of crime and safety events within their community. For more information on SCAN, watch our website at [www.middletonpd.com](http://www.middletonpd.com)

A monthly column by Sergeant Reynolds is included in the Senior Center monthly newsletter. In 2007, the Department participated in a spring family safety event at the Senior Center, 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).

### Family Safety Day:

On September 8, 2007, the first annual Family Safety Day was held at the Wisconsin Trade Center at 8400 Greenway Boulevard. This event, co-sponsored by West Bend Mutual Insurance/NSI and the Dean Foundation, featured exhibits, demonstrations, and presentations on a variety of family safety topics. The Police Department hosted two information sessions for parents on internet safety and cyber-bullying. The event was very well-attended, with approximately 350 people coming to the event throughout the day. The planning for this event took several months and the event sponsors have already committed to hosting the event again in 2008.



### Meals on Wheels:

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



### 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

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throughout the year such as the *Safe Walk to School Day* and *Pedestrian Awareness* campaigns.

**Private Tours and Safety Presentations:**

The Department regularly provides department tours and safety presentations for elementary school students. In 2007, the Department hosted ten tours for schools, civic and private organizations, with approximately 230 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.



# 2007 Traffic Safety Report

2007 was a busy year in the traffic safety field for the Middleton Police Department with participation in several enforcement and safety programs along with the Safe Routes to School initiative.

## Community-Wide Initiatives

### Safe Routes to School

January saw Assistant City Planner Mark Opitz and Sgt. Don Mueller giving a presentation to the Middleton High School Environmental Studies classes about the Safe Routes to School Grant Initiative. One week later, student study groups presented their ideas and artwork for the program. They also presented the findings from their surveys to the area elementary schools regarding pedestrian safety. This was all included in our grant application. Middleton's application was accepted and several traffic calming and safety infrastructure items will be constructed in 2008 near elementary schools using the grant monies.

Sgt. Mueller attended the planning session for the Walk Your Kid to School initiative that Safe Communities does yearly. Northside School participated this year and children walking to school on the special day were about 50% greater than the usual number.

The Middleton Pedestrian/Traffic Safety Committee met several times during the year and pedestrian safety around the schools was of particular concern. Committee member James LaGro, a UW professor, made a class assignment for some of his students where they were tasked to survey the elementary school areas for safety deficiencies and ways they can be addressed. The students gave a presentation of their findings and ideas to the Middleton Public Safety Committee in December that was very well received.

The department did its first Fail to Yield to Pedestrian enforcement effort in November. A plain clothes officer would cross the street and vehicles that failed to yield were stopped. This proved to be a rather labor intensive effort with down time when the enforcement officers were on stops so the street crosser had to wait for them. It was a success with numerous stops over two hours and will be repeated in the future.

Code Enforcement Manager Mark Walther was utilized to move the Speed Awareness Trailer to streets where there had been citizen complaints about speed and to streets where history shows there is a need for the trailer's educational value.

Directed traffic patrols were performed throughout the year. Special attention was given to intersections where study has shown are our most frequent accident sites.

Four hundred seventy-five hours were spent on directed traffic patrols with seven hundred twenty-six enforcement actions taken.

### Bike Nights

Quaker Steak and Lube Bike Nights once again offered many opportunities for officers to talk to motorcyclists about traffic safety. We also participated in the second year of the Green-Yellow-Red campaign that is designed to lessen intoxicated riding by motorcyclists. G-Y-R was promoted heavily and there was television coverage of the main event at Quaker Steak and Lube.

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## **County-Wide Collaboration**

Sgt. Mueller attended the Dane County Traffic Safety Committee meetings and hosted one as well. Exchange of ideas is one of the activities during these meetings. SpeedWatch, a program by the DeForest Police Department, which allows citizens to borrow a portable radar unit is one program that we are considering for the coming year.

### **SMART**

Sgt. Mueller and representatives from six other law enforcement agencies had several planning meetings for the SMART program and it was initiated in June. SMART was a program of intense multi-jurisdictional traffic enforcement on the Hwy 12 corridor. This received media coverage throughout the summer which helped to spread the message about traffic safety even further than the actual enforcement could do on its own. Lt. Charles Foulke attended the kickoff press conference.

We also participated in the County-Wide Stop on Red campaign.

### **Slow Down for Kids**

Our participation in the Safe Communities' annual Slow Down for Kids campaign went over well as usual. Red slow down signs popped up all over the city in the spring reminding motorists to slow down. Media coverage helped spread the word to the public as well. Middleton received a state grant of \$6,000 for the annual Click It or Ticket campaign. Only one other Dane County agency received funding. Media coverage of the program's

kickoff and ads spots on radio and television helped to spread the safety message. The campaign was a success, post campaign survey showed a slight increase in seatbelt usage in Middleton. Chief Brad Keil participated in the press conference for the kickoff. One hundred ten hours were spent on Click It or Ticket patrols, one hundred seventy-five stops were made with two hundred forty-six enforcement actions taken.

### **Training**

Sgt. Mueller and Officer Dan Jones attended the Wisconsin Traffic Safety Officers' Conference. Officer Jones is showing an increasing interest in the traffic safety function of the Department and such training will help him when he takes over running some of the programs.

In August, *Sgt. Mueller* attended the three day Governor's Conference on Highway Safety. During the conference he *was presented with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Bureau of Traffic Safety Director's award for outstanding efforts in traffic policing and traffic safety.* Included in that award is a trip to the Lifesavers' Conference in Portland, Oregon, held in April 2008. This national conference is well known for its excellence in bringing the latest in the traffic safety field to its practitioners

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# Operations Division

The operations division of the Middleton Police Department consists of uniformed patrol and the Investigative Services Bureau. The operations division is supervised by Lt. Charles Foulke. In 2007, five sergeants supervised the patrol shifts:

Sergeants Mueller, Kromm, Britt, Hellenbrand and Hanson. Detective Sergeant Barry Reynolds was the ISB supervisor, supervising four detectives, two school liaison officers and in charge of proactive programs.

## Significant Events in 2007

### **12/28/06, 06-7028, Advanced Interiors, Embezzlement:**

In a case which was first reported in late 2006, but investigated in 2007, an employee of Advanced Interiors was suspected of writing herself numerous checks from the company account. Stephanie Onsrud of Stoughton was charged with 22 counts of Forgery.

### **01/02/07, 07-28, Harbor Wellness Center, Burglary:**

Employees of Harbor Wellness Center reported numerous electronic items stolen from the business, while the business was open. Surveillance footage showed the suspect in the business, stealing the items. He was located a short time later at the nearby McDonald's. Ashley Weaver of Madison was arrested and charged with burglary.

### **02/19/07, 07-874, 6200 Block of Maywood Avenue, Possession of Heroin:**

Middleton officers were made aware that Kevin Barker of Middleton was wanted on a Parole Violation. Officers on foot patrol in Lakeview Village located Barker and took him into custody. A search of Barker revealed heroin hidden in his sock. Barker was charged with Possession of Heroin as well as a Parole Violation hold.

### **02/21/07, 07-892, 1915 Branch Street, Possession of Cocaine:**

Officers who were assigned to work at the Club Tavern for the annual Mardi Gras event, arrested 22 year old Guillermo Vivanco of Fitchburg for

possession of cocaine. Vivanco was discovered snorting cocaine in a stall in the men's bathroom.

### **03/02/07, 07-1040, Chalmers Jewelers, Fraud:**

Chalmers Jewelers reported that a woman purchased two rings valued at \$2,876.04 with a counterfeit check. Kari Sundstrom of Fitchburg was arrested for forgery.

### **03/03/07, 10:01 PM, 07-1065, 6323 Pheasant Lane, Shots fired, reckless endangerment:**

MIPD dispatch was notified that a man pointed a shotgun at several people in the lobby area and parking lot of 6323 Pheasant Lane. As officers were responding, dispatch learned that at least one shot had been fired in the lobby. Officers and detectives determined that the suspect lived in the area and that he believed that a group of men living in the complex had sexually assaulted his girlfriend (an allegation that was not proven). The suspect became intoxicated and confronted the men he believed responsible for the assault. Middleton officers and detectives produced a photo lineup and the suspect was positively identified. His apartment was placed under surveillance and he was taken into custody the following afternoon. A shotgun was found hidden behind the refrigerator and shells were found hidden in a cookie jar. Jeremy Dubois, 32, of Middleton was arrested and charged with Endangering Safety by Use of a Dangerous Weapon and 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Reckless Endangerment.

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**03/27/07, 07-1597, 6315 Century Avenue, Search Warrant, Maintaining a Drug Dwelling:**

Middleton detectives and officers developed information indicating that drugs were being sold from an apartment on Century Avenue. Henry Pickett of Middleton was charged with various drug offenses including maintaining a drug dwelling. A drug abatement letter was sent to apartment management and Pickett was expelled from the apartment.

**04/09/07, 07-1889, 8400 Market Street, Strong Armed Robbery:**

Rafael Careaga of Middleton was arrested for strong armed robbery. Careaga befriended a man from France, staying in Middleton on an extended business trip. The victim and Careaga got into a vehicle when Careaga threatened to harm him if he did not give him money.

**05/20/07, 8:36 AM, 07-2979, 6800 Century Avenue, Weapons Violation:**

An officer on patrol spotted a 16 year old Middleton male who had been reported as a runaway by his parents. He stopped the male and detained him. When he patted the male down, he located a loaded 45 caliber pistol in his waistband. The pistol had been stolen from a vehicle in Madison. Investigation produced additional charges for possession of controlled substances, robbery and burglary.

**06/25/07, 07-4169, 3311 Parmenter Street, Hardee's, Fraud/Identity Theft:**

Several Identity Thefts were committed by Aneisha Jones, an employee of Hardee's, who used customers' credit card numbers. Jones was charged with 14 counts of Identity Theft.

**06/26/07, 4:01 AM, 5400 Block of Larkspur, Robbery:**

A 71 year old Middleton resident was the victim of an armed robbery after he returned from a winning night at Ho-Chunk Casino. Video surveillance photos from the Casino revealed the suspect and his picture was released to the media. A number of people called the Police Department to identify the suspect, who resided on the east side of Madison. Middleton detectives obtained a search warrant for his residence. The Dane County Tactical Response Team made entry to the residence and Middleton

detectives and officers searched it. Valuable evidence was located, but the suspect was not there. Investigation revealed the suspect fled to his native Brazil. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Leonardo Mendonca and the Police Department has requested the assistance of the US Marshall's Service and FBI in tracking him down.

**07/03/07, 07-4245, 7509 Voss Parkway, Parental abduction:**

The Department authorized an Amber Alert for three missing Middleton children in conjunction with the Madison Police Department, also looking for a missing child (same father, different mother). This was the first time MIPD had issued an Amber Alert (the Alert actually goes through the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation). The Amber Alert was remarkably successful, the children were located less than 24 hours after the alert was issued in Minnesota and they were reunited with their mothers. Craig Underkoffler of Middleton was arrested and charged with Interfering With Parental Rights. Dispatchers McKnight and Zimmerman, Sgt. Reynolds, Detectives Faga, Faust, Zimmerman and Officer Wilson received commendations for their efforts in this case.

**07/04/07, Yahara Quarry, Accident:**

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, technology, skilled dispatchers and determined police officers combined to rescue five people who had been in a vehicle that plunged at least 75 feet over a cliff in a nearby quarry. Even though this incident happened in the Sheriff's Department jurisdiction, Middleton dispatchers, police, fire and ambulance personnel were the first responders. A group of six people went to the Yahara Quarry (north end of Parmenter Street near Hwy 12) to watch and set off fireworks. As they were leaving, the driver took an incorrect path and drove over a cliff, the vehicle dropped at least 75 feet onto the nose of the vehicle, then rolled onto the roof. One person in the vehicle was able to call out on a cell phone. GPS technology, used by both Middleton and Dane County Dispatch Centers, was able to pinpoint the exact location of the accident. Middleton Dispatchers spoke to the caller, learning the location within the quarry, the extent of injuries and eventually were able to guide emergency responders to the victims. Middleton police officers were the first to respond, but initially were thwarted

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in gaining entry because the quarry was secured by a fence locked by a large padlock. Two officers climbed the fence and ran at least 3/10ths of a mile until they finally reached the victims. Another Middleton officer, unable to cut the padlock with bolt cutters, cut off the hinges of the gate so that other emergency responders could get to the victims. Although one person died in the accident, the others were taken to the hospital and will survive. Dispatchers Buechner, Hoeksema, Sgt. Kromm and Officers Sherry and Kasdorf received commendations for their efforts in this case.

**8/15/2007, Fugitive apprehended:**

On August 15<sup>th</sup> the U.S. Marshals Service, Gulf Coast Violent Offenders Task Force apprehended Jesus A. Reyes in Houston, Texas. Reyes had fled his residence in Middleton in 2003 and was wanted on numerous arrest warrants, including one warrant for Attempted 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Intentional Homicide. Reyes was also sought by the Wisconsin Department of Corrections for failing to comply with the Wisconsin Sex Offender Registry Program, and was one of Wisconsin's Most Wanted Sex Offenders. Reyes has been a fugitive for the past four years and was the subject of an intense manhunt by the U.S. Marshal's Service, U.S. Border Patrol, Middleton Police Department, and assisting law enforcement agencies in Texas. Reyes is currently awaiting extradition to Wisconsin where he faces several charges.

**08/31/07, 07-5872, 7400 Block of Friendship Lane, Burglary:**

Three Middleton juveniles were arrested for entering an occupied residence in the middle of the night and stealing thousands of dollars in electronic equipment. The investigation into this case led to one of the juveniles being charged for a residential burglary which occurred in June on Patty Lane in Middleton.

**09/19/07, 07-6393, 2420 Amherst, Home Invasion:**

Police responded to a report that a man kicked open a door and threatened a woman in the residence. Prince Kellogg of Middleton was arrested and charged with Disorderly Conduct and Criminal Damage to Property.

**10/26/07 and 10/27/07, State Street, Madison, Assist Other Department:**

On October 26 and 27, the Middleton Police Department Special Events Team was requested to assist the Madison Police Department in policing State Street during the annual Halloween celebration. In recent years, this event has degenerated into a drunken riot, but for the last two years, things have been relatively peaceful due to a heavy police presence as well as charging patrons admission to attend the gathering. Middleton officers joined Madison Police, Dane County Sheriff, University Police, Sun Prairie Police, Fitchburg Police and the Wisconsin State Patrol.

Pictured below are members of the team before leaving for State Street. From left to right: Sgt. Britt, Detective Zimmerman, Officers Kasdorf, Geiszler and Dixon.



**11/04/07, 1:51 AM, 07-7487, 4887 Parmenter Street, Graffiti:**

For several months, Middleton officers had been discovering unique graffiti on buildings, in apartment complex basements and in park shelters. A Middleton officer discovered two young men spray painting cars at the park and ride at Parmenter Street near Hwy 12. He recognized the drawings as being similar to the graffiti seen citywide. Seventeen year old Trevor Jansen of Cross Plains and a 16 year old juvenile from Black Earth were arrested and charged with numerous counts of damage to property.

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**11/04/07, 8:49 AM, 07-7491, Rainbow Insulators, 6223 Middleton Springs Drive, Burglary:**

Employees arriving at work reported that every truck in the fleet had flat tires. As officers were investigating, the employees discovered a fire in the office. When the fire was extinguished, it was determined the office had been burglarized and that a credit card, among other items, had been taken. The credit card was used at a nearby convenience store and detectives were able to recover the video tape surveillance. Business employees viewed the tape and identified a former employee. James Stanley of Middleton was charged with Damage to Property, Burglary and Arson.

**11/21/07, 07-7967, 2310 Parmenter Street, Burglary and Operating a Motor Vehicle Without Owners Consent:**

A family went out of town for Thanksgiving and upon their return found that their apartment had been burglarized and a work truck stolen. Investigation revealed that a friend of the teenage daughter broke into the residence and took the truck. Maurice Withers of Madison was arrested and charged with Burglary and Car Theft.

**12/17/07, 07-8353 8600 Block of Greenway Boulevard, Sexual Assault:**

A woman reported that an acquaintance sexually assaulted her in which she was held for hours, battered, strangled and sexually assaulted three times. Raphael Martinez-Mateo was charged with three Sexual Assaults, Recklessly Endangering Safety, Battery, and False Imprisonment.



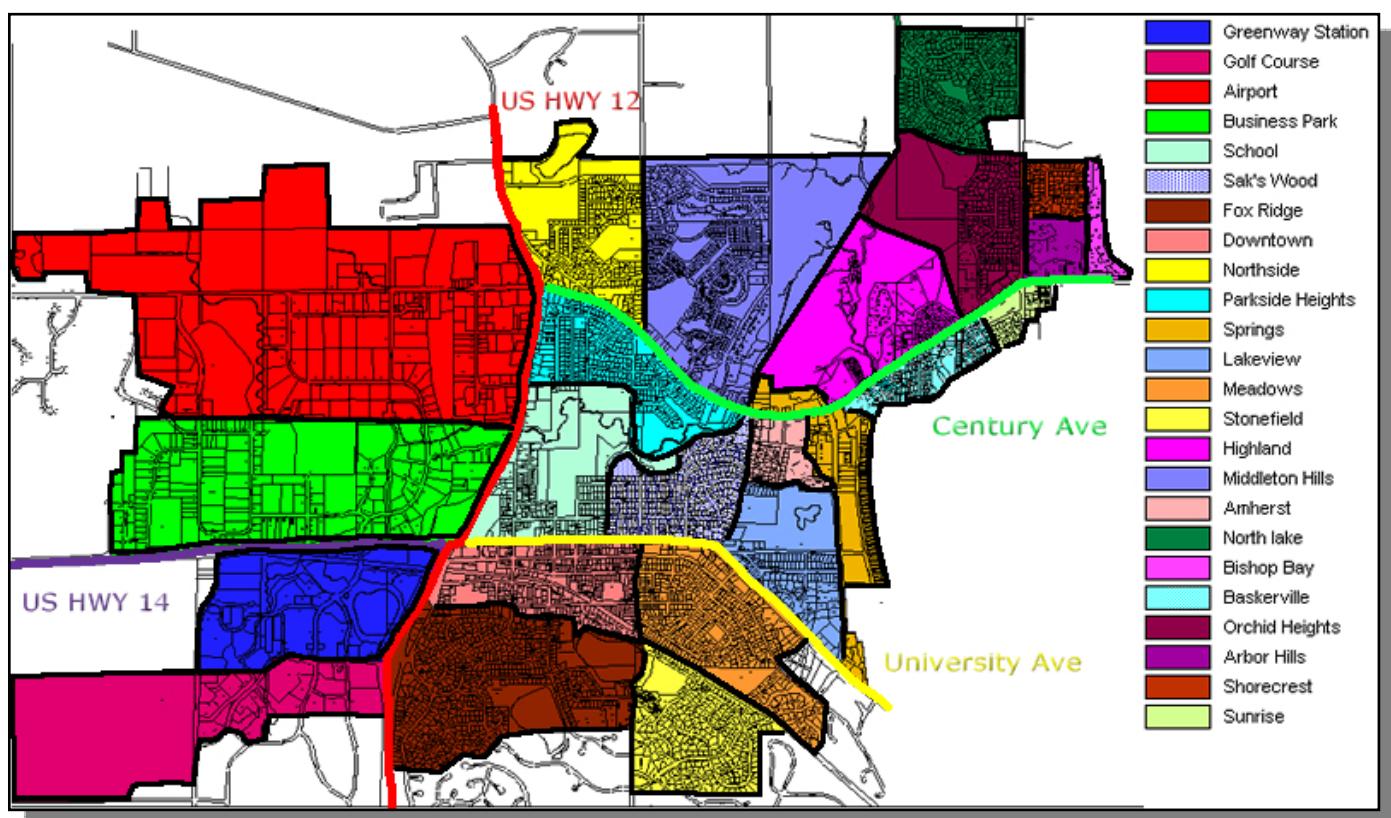
# Neighborhood Districts

## 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](http://www.middletonpd.com)

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



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## **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 2007, we sent one notice to the owner of a residence where we had been called to three 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 2007, we sent drug abatement notices to landlords or property management companies when drug activity was positively verified occurring at a property. In four cases, tenants were evicted from the property. In one case, we have had no more reported drug activity occurring.

## **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.

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## **2007 OPERATIONS PERSONNEL HIGHLIGHTS**

### **Officer Travis Kakuske passes probation**

Officer Travis Kakuske passed his 18 month probationary period in February and was granted permanent status with the Department. Travis began work at the Department in August of 2005. He was previously employed as a Shorewood Hills police officer. Travis has an Associate Degree in Police Science and is currently working on obtaining his Bachelor's Degree. Travis is a third generation police officer in his family.



### **Officer Sherry off probation**

Officer Matt Sherry began employment with the Middleton Police Department on April 17, 2006. On September 25, 2007, an Employment Confirmation Board, made up of field trainers and supervisors, was convened and unanimously recommended that Officer Sherry be granted permanent status with the Department. In the personnel order granting Officer Sherry permanent status as a police officer with the Department, Chief Keil wrote: "Congratulations on your performance and success to date! We are excited to have you on our team and look forward to working with you long into the future as we continue to make

Middleton the number one place to live." Officer Sherry has a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Wisconsin-Parkside.



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### **Det. Faga recognized by the FBI**

On March 14, Middleton Police Detective Craig Faga was recognized by the FBI for his work on a string of bank robberies in Dane County. Detective Faga was one of five local detectives who were recognized for their work on a joint task force, which investigated several bank robberies in the fall of 2006. The investigation by the task force, which also included the local FBI office, resulted in the arrest of two individuals: Jeffrey Dempsey and Amanda Green. Dempsey and Green are accused of committing eight bank robberies in Dane County, including two in Middleton.

At a ceremony held at the Madison FBI Office, Detective Faga received a certificate of recognition,

signed by FBI Director Robert S. Mueller. Detective Faga received this certificate from Supervisory Senior Resident Agent Thomas Trier.



### **Other Personnel Matters**

**Police Officer Kim Olson** was hired in September of 2006. She continues to progress well as a probationary officer and is scheduled to complete her probationary period in March of 2008.

**Sergeant Dave Kromm announced his retirement in 2007**, although his last official day was 01/05/08. Dave joined the Department on 11/02/84 as a part time Dispatcher. He became a Middleton Police Officer on 09/09/85 and was promoted to Sergeant on 12/15/90. Sgt. Kromm was a certified trainer in numerous law enforcement areas, was the lead trainer for the Middleton Police

training team and worked for the MATC Police Academy for over 20 years, training new officers attending the police academy.

Although it will be difficult to replace Sgt. Kromm's experience and dedication, members of the Department wish him well. The Department is currently in the process of promoting an officer to replace Sgt. Kromm.

Sgt. Kromm is pictured below training a member of the Citizen's Academy how to properly handle an AR-15 rifle.





# 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 the Kromrey Middleton School. The unit is supervised by Detective Sergeant Barry Reynolds.

2007 was another very busy year for the investigative unit. The total number of cases assigned to the ISB unit increased only slightly, however the overall percentage of property crimes investigated by the unit increased significantly from past years. This trend was led by a significant increase in the number of financial fraud and identity theft cases which were reported and investigated. As indicated below, the number of fraud cases amounted to nearly one-quarter of all cases investigated throughout the year. The investigation of financial crimes can be extremely complicated and time-consuming, and require detectives to obtain financial records and documents from a variety of sources. The increase in this type of crime mirrors the increase that law enforcement has seen statewide and nationally.

This past year the Department also saw a significant increase in the number of drug investigations that

resulted in search warrants, arrests, and convictions. In 2006, Detective Zimmerman was temporarily assigned to the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force. Upon completing that assignment, Detective Zimmerman effectively used the training and resources he had received to successfully investigate a number of drug cases in Middleton. As indicated by the arrest statistics shown below, 2007 was a very successful year in terms of addressing the growing problem in Middleton.

Along with cases that were reported throughout the year, detectives also spent time completing a number of large investigations that began in 2006. Several major cases, including a number of armed robberies of financial institutions, 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.

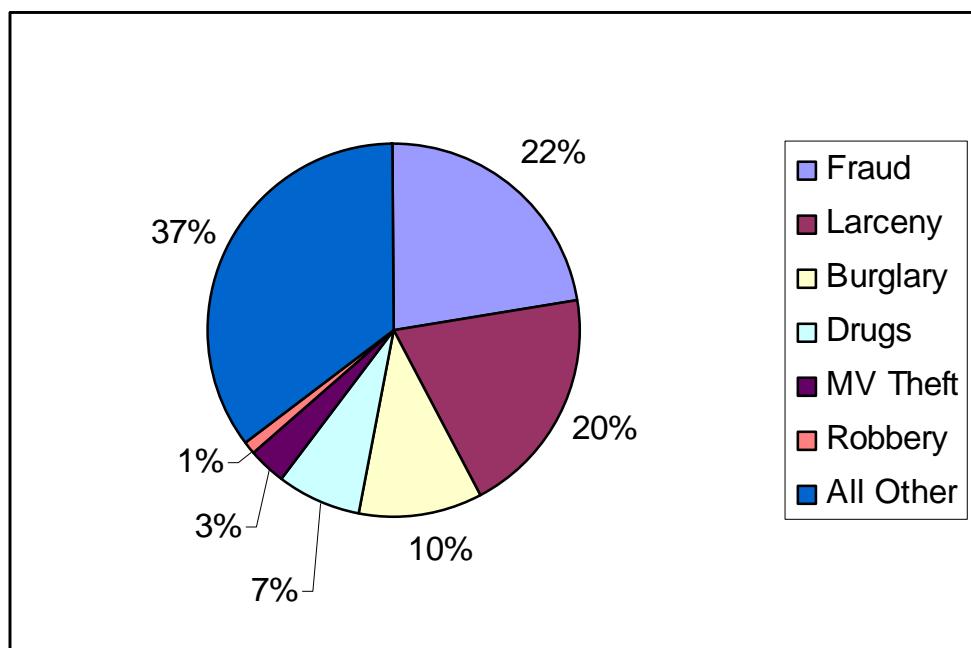
# Case Assignment Statistics for 2007

## CASES ASSIGNED

Total Assigned	286
Cases Closed	186
Cases Unfounded	7
Closure rate	65%

## Cases Assigned by Title

Fraud	64
Larceny	57
Burglary	30
Drugs	21
MV Theft	9
Robbery	3



Percentage of Cases assigned to Detectives

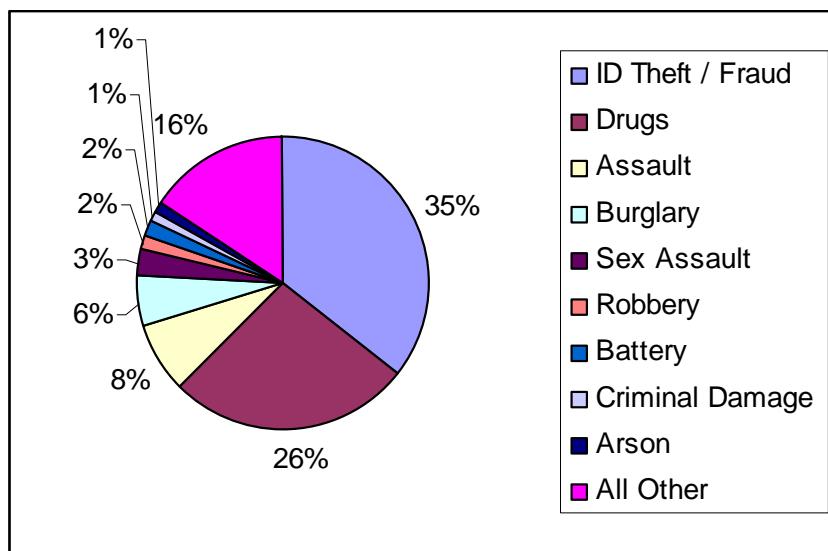
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### **DETECTIVE ARRESTS FOR 2007**

	Citations	Misdemeanors And Felonies
Detectives	65	157
School Liaison Officers	150	20
Total	215	177

### **Breakdown of Criminal Arrests for 2007**

Fraud / ID theft	63
Drugs	47
Assault	14
Burglary	10
Disorderly Conduct	7
Sexual Assault	5
Robbery	3
Battery	3
Criminal Damage	2
Arson	2



### **Percentage of Criminal Arrests**



# 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. In 2007, Detective Patty Faust assisted with the Kromrey Middle School Liaison duties while Officer Tutaj was on family leave.



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. For example, during the 2006-07 school year there was a significant increase in the amount of thefts at the high school reported to the police. Officer Raffel worked closely with school staff to analyze and respond to this issue. Officer Raffel developed a plan to increase security at various locations within the school, in an effort to reduce the opportunities for criminal activity. As a result of the efforts by Officer Raffel, and with the assistance of the school staff, the total number of thefts during the first semester of the 2007-08 school year decreased by 48% from the previous year.

Having fewer crimes to investigate allows the school liaison officers to spend more time on the crimes that are reported, which increases the likelihood that a crime will be solved and property recovered. The percentage of theft cases at the high school that were solved increased 38% during this 2008 fall semester, the total value of stolen property recovered during these investigations increased 437%.

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



# 2007 Training

## In-Service Training

The State of Wisconsin mandates 24 hours of training for each sworn police officer per year. The Middleton Police Department, for many years, has had this training level as a minimum amount of training, received by every officer in in-service training. Most, if not all officers, receive substantially more specialized training, but in-service is the core training received by each officer every year.

For several years, the Middleton, Sun Prairie and Fitchburg Police Departments have teamed up to provide in-service training. Each department has a group of state certified trainers who teach courses such as: firearms, defense and arrest tactics, less lethal option tactics (bean bag shotgun and electronic control device), simunitions, emergency vehicle operation and vehicle contacts. Other in-service topics are covered by outside instructors brought in to teach in their area of expertise. The in-service training is divided into 4 quarters, 8 hours each.



In 2007, the in-service training topics included the following:

- 16 hours of firearms training and re-qualification

### Defense and arrest tactics

- Electronic control device (taser) and less lethal (bean bag shotgun) re-certification
- Excited delirium training
- Domestic violence issues by the Dane County District Attorney's Office
- Rapid response to an active shooter in a target rich environment
- Mental health training and scenarios

Middleton officers were also re-certified in CPR/AED and the Intoxilyzer in 2007.





## Specialized Training

The Middleton Police Department provides a wide variety of specialized training to members of its staff. In 2007, officers attended 83 courses (in many cases multiple officers attended the same class), totaling 3081 hours. The specialized training classes range from supervision/management, patrol procedures, investigations, community oriented policing, officer safety, juvenile issues, drug investigations, gangs, traffic enforcement, proactive programs, firearms, forensic drawing and tactical response, among others.

In preparation for, and eager anticipation of, building a new police facility, several members of the Department participated in training related to that project in May and June.

Sergeants Britt and Reynolds completed a 32 hour certificate program in Project Management through the University of Wisconsin in May and Sgt. Britt attended an 8 hour training session on "preparing RFP's." Chief Keil attended a 32 hour training seminar in early June

June through the International Association of Chief's of Police on planning, designing and building a new police department. Sergeant Reynolds completed a project on "moving a police department" while attending the Executive Development Institute training in Appleton.

In June, the Special Events Teams (SET) of Middleton, Fitchburg and Sun Prairie trained with the Dane County Sheriff's Emergency Response Team in Middleton. The suburban SET teams worked on a scenario where they set up a perimeter on a house with an armed barricaded subject. After controlling the scene and setting up the perimeter, they called for the Sheriff's Emergency Response Team which forced entry. These teams train together frequently which is invaluable when they need to work together for real. Below is a picture of the combined teams standing in front of the Bearcat, an armored vehicle used for safely approaching dangerous positions.



# Management Training

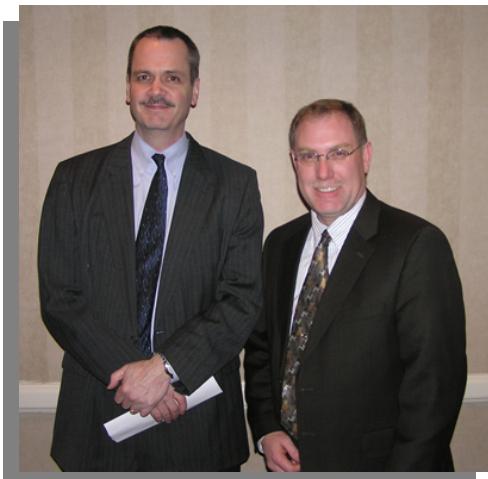
A Department goal is to have members of the Command Staff (Sergeants and above) attend a long course supervisory training session. The four major police command schools are the FBI National Academy, Northwestern University School of Staff and Command, Southern Police Institute and the Executive Development Institute.

These courses typically last eight to ten weeks. Chief Keil is a past graduate of the FBI National Academy and in late 2006, Lt. Kakuske graduated from the Northwestern University School of Staff and Command. In 2007, two members of the Command Staff graduated from supervisory schools.

# Police Management Schools

## **Detective Sergeant Barry Reynolds**

In February 2007, Detective Sergeant Barry Reynolds graduated from Fox Valley Technical College's 10th Annual Criminal Justice Executive Development Institute. The program was established to address the professional growth needs of current and future leaders presently serving in criminal justice agencies. The program met during eight one-week sessions from March 2006 through February 2007. The program focuses on topics such as management concepts, media relations, cultural diversity, leadership skills, personnel development, communication skills, community policing issues, and various social and legal issues related to policing. Sergeant Reynolds is pictured below on the right. Chief Keil joined Sergeant Reynolds at the graduation ceremony in Appleton.



## **Lieutenant Charles Foulke**

On March 16, 2007, Lieutenant Charles Foulke graduated from the FBI National Academy, held in Quantico, Virginia. Over 260 law enforcement officers from 48 states, the District of Columbia and 23 international countries participated in the academy. Internationally known for its academic excellence, the National Academy Program, held at the FBI Academy, offers ten weeks of advanced investigative, management, and fitness training for selected officers having proven records as professionals within their agencies. FBI Director Robert Mueller was the principal speaker at the graduation ceremony, which was also attended by Chief Keil. Lt. Foulke is pictured below.

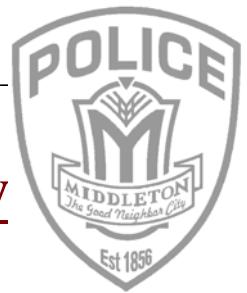


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While the loss of command staff officers for an extended period of time can be difficult for a department the size of Middleton, Chief Keil, the command staff and training team feel that the knowledge gained and the contacts made are invaluable. The cost to attend such courses comes

from grants and the Department's training budget (although there is no cost for the training, room and board for the FBI National Academy for those chosen to attend).

Sgt. Troy Hellenbrand is scheduled to attend the Northwestern University School of Staff and Command in the Fall of 2008 and Sgt. Steve Britt is in cue to attend the FBI National Academy within the next two years.



# Communications, Records & Court Activity

The City of Middleton and Dane County completed a 180-day trial period and determined final routing for **Phase I and Phase II Enhanced Wireless 9-1-1 service** in the Middleton area. The routing had been in dispute. Generally speaking, cell tower faces in the City of Middleton with a north orientation are routed to Middleton PD, all other towers and faces are routed to Dane County Public Safety Communications Center. Both Communication Centers answer 9-1-1 calls the same way, "9-1-1, what is the address of your emergency," so callers don't hang-up if they are routed to a Communications Center they had not intended. When necessary, Dispatchers transfer callers to the appropriate Communications Center, dependant on incident location and call nature. The transfer of 9-1-1 calls has routinely been done with wireline calls for some time.

The Department hired and trained a **new Dispatcher**, to replace a Dispatcher who took a police officer position.

In May of 1976, the Middleton Police Department opened its Communications Center and staffed it with one dispatcher 24/7/365. Since that time, Middleton has grown by more than 50%, and the number of police officers has increased over 100%. In the last decade, the number of calls for service has increased 29%. The work of today's dispatchers is dramatically greater in both quantity and complexity than in 1976. We are now annually handling 2,300 9-1-1 calls, 2,500 walk-ins, and 40,000 non-emergency telephone calls. All tasks considered the Communications Center is doing a quarter million activities annually. These tasks are not encountered in neat sequential intervals but rather often arrive concurrently or in waves. This temporal ebb and flow of activity can be anticipated through past activity patterns. We know that it is 500% busier at 4PM than at 4AM, and yet, heretofore, both hours were staffed the same, just as in 1976.

In 2007, the department requested that one **additional full-time dispatcher position be added** to improve

staffing during some peak activity periods and that one of the current dispatchers be promoted to **Supervisor** status, to improve operations and quality assurance. These requests were approved in the 2008 Budget for implementation in the spring of 2008.

The number of **Municipal Court Citations** has increased 71% since 2005. Two existing Police Records Bureau personnel were trained and began performing Municipal Court Officer Duties for Municipal Court Arraignments, to relieve the Court Officer. The Court Officer continues to be responsible for all District Attorney and Circuit Court intakes and processing, and has been given additional duties as Property/Evidence Manager.

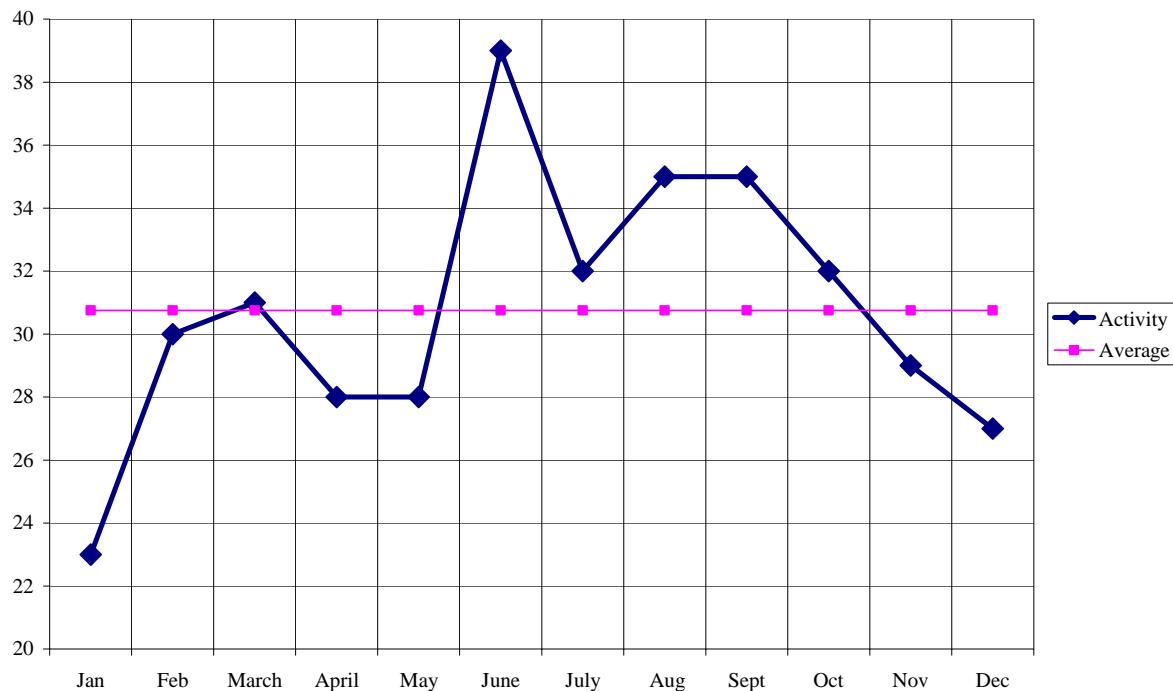


The Records Bureau and Patrol Component have completed implementation of **Field Reporting, and TRACS** Accident Reports, Citations and Warnings. These systems allow the importing of data from query returns directly into police reports, accidents, citations, and warnings. Once the data is captured, it flows wirelessly to the records and CAD systems, and then electronically to the Court and Department of Transportation. Much of police "paperwork" is now paperless. The efficiencies offered by these systems has thus far allowed the Department to maintain Records Bureau service levels at current staffing levels, despite burgeoning call, citation, arrest, and accident numbers.

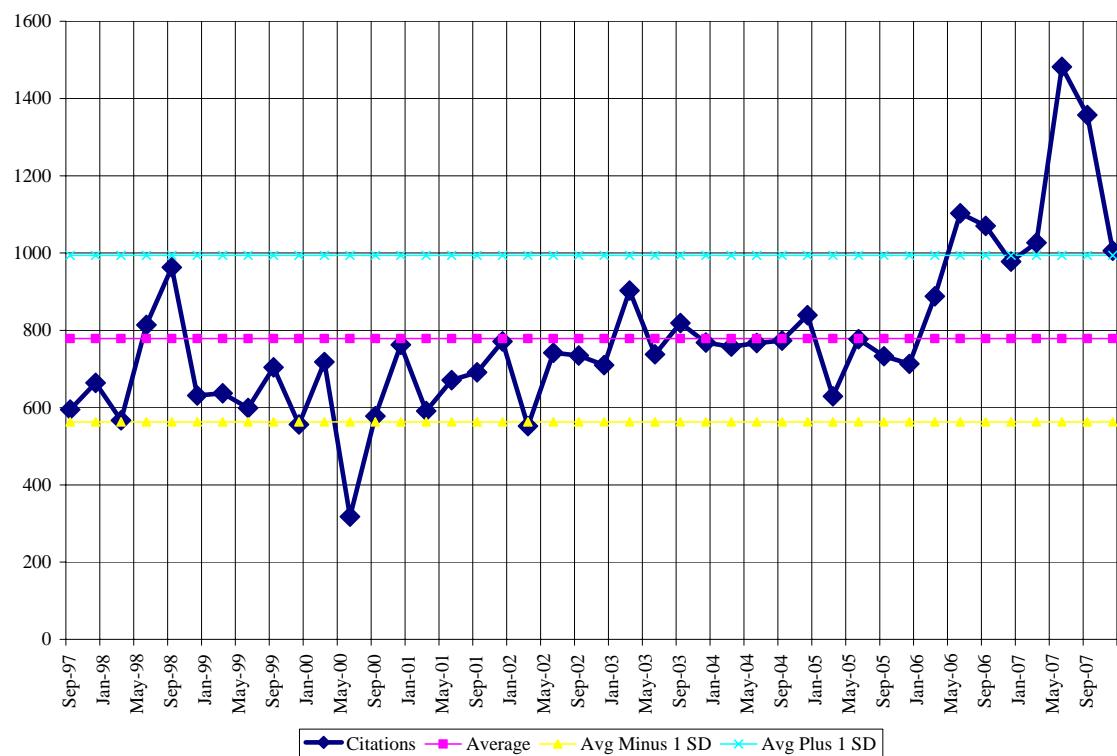
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<b>COMMUNICATIONS CENTER</b> <b>Activities &amp; Tasks</b> <b>2007</b>	
Shift Hours Staffed	8,760
Activity Total	248,474
9-1-1 Calls	2,741
Non-Emergency Phone Calls	40,407
Counter Service	2,487
Citizen Assist - Dispatcher	964
Tagged Freedom Files	7
Warrant Preparation	25
Warrant Entry/Cancellation	195
Other Crime Bureau Processing	8758
Business Watch File	0
CAD File Update/Entry	372
Pawn Record Entries	372
Alibis	14
License/Permit History Check	254
Special Searches - Special Details	2,328
Parking Tickets Entered	1,498
RMS Reports Entered	0
Receive Payment, Bail, or Fee	156
Hours & Activity Reporting	458
Training Hours	727
Validations	518
Web Page Update Hours	5
QA Hours & Scheduling Hours	0
Number of Incidents	7,763
Number of Calls for Service	17,843
CAD Transactions	160,576
Activity Rate per Hour =	31

### Communications Center Activities by Month



### Municipal Court Citations





# Department Awards / News

## 2006 Awards Presentation

### SIGNIFICANT SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

5 years: Officer Jill Tutaj (12/06/01)

5 years: Officer Donna Hamilton (03/25/02)

15 years: Sgt Terry Hanson (04/06/92)

20 years: Officer Michael Ash (02/01/87)

25 Years: Dispatcher Barbara VandeLoo (10/06/81)

### OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS

**David Kasdorf:** Dave has been a Middleton Police Officer for 15 years. He has truly embraced the concepts of Community Policing and being a Neighborhood Officer. Specifically, Dave has worked closely with management of the Sunrise Heights Apartment complex. Dave tracks trends in the complex and notifies management of trouble tenants or apartments. In many cases, providing services and warnings to the tenants have been successful in reducing or eliminating the problems. In other cases, tenants have been evicted. Dave has also been instrumental in working with management in identifying problem tenants before they sign a lease or move into the complex. Sgt. Troy Hellenbrand, Dave's direct supervisor, reports that he believes Dave's proactive measures and positive working relationship with apartment management has prevented countless calls to the complex. Dave has also worked with a number of officers on Amherst Road. Veteran officers comment that Amherst Road is much quieter call wise and much cleaner than in years past. Dave worked closely with a property owner and County Housing officials on a problematic residence, resulting in a positive outcome.

**Patricia Faust:** Patty has been with the Middleton Police Department for 17 years, much of that time as a Detective. Patty has a reputation in the Department, area law enforcement circles and the District Attorney's Office as a hard working, dedicated, professional investigator who consistently shows good judgment and compassion towards victims. At the beginning of the 2006/2007 school year, the Middleton Police School Liaison Officer assigned to Kromrey Middle School became pregnant and was unable to perform her police duties at the school. Patty was pressed into action, not only performing her Detective duties, but also spending a great deal of time at the Middle School, including attending extra-curricular activities, well outside her assigned work time frame. Patty has worked well with school officials, staff, parents and students in what has become a successful school year, thanks in no small part to Patty's work and presence in the school. Patty accepted this assignment and the extra work it created without complaint and with enthusiasm.

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**Darrin Zimmerman:** Darrin has been a Middleton Police Officer for seven years and is currently assigned to the Investigative Services Bureau as a Detective. In January of 2006, Darrin began a six-month assignment with the Dane County Narcotics and Gangs Task Force (DCNAG), which was a tremendous commitment on his part in terms of time and dedication. Sgt. Disch, his supervisor at DCNAG, gave Darrin only the highest praise for his efforts while at DCNAG, and often mentioned to MIPD supervisors what an outstanding job Darrin had done and how pleased he was to have Darrin as part of the DCNAG team. During this time, Darrin was also requested to assist other MIPD investigators due to a rash of bank robberies and the need to have additional investigators for these cases. Darrin not only responded without complaint, but also asked to take the lead in an investigation even though he had simultaneous responsibilities at DCNAG. Darrin tracked one of the suspects all the way to Kansas City and obtained a full confession from a second. Darrin's efforts resulted in the conviction of one suspect in three local bank robberies and charges against a second suspect.

Darrin followed that effort with an investigation and arrest of a suspect responsible for the two most costly bank robberies in Middleton history. The investigations, which were several months in duration, started with little more than a masked gunman at a bank. Darrin developed information from his contacts at DCNAG, researched the suspect's financial and gambling history, executed search warrants, and gathered integral pieces of evidence. It is anticipated that the suspect, who is now in custody, will be indicted on federal charges directly resulting from Darrin's investigation. In addition to being the primary investigator responsible for solving five bank robberies (three in Middleton and two in Madison), he also made two major drug arrests (including one with federal drug charges); investigated a drug death which lead to an arrest and conviction for first degree reckless

homicide; and continued to handle an investigator's case load and achieve one of the highest case clearance rates within the ISB unit for the year.



Above, Detective Zimmerman receives his award from Mayor Sonnentag.

**Rebecca Weiss:** Rebecca has worked for the City of Middleton for two years as a Court Clerk. Although Rebecca does not work for the Police Department, she works side by side with MIPD sworn and non-sworn staff. Many times, the first person people see when they come to the Police Department, or speak to on the telephone, is Rebecca. They typically do not know or care if the person they are talking to is a police officer, administrative assistant, records clerk or court clerk. They want answers and assistance. Rebecca consistently provides helpful, courteous, professional assistance to those she deals with in person or on the telephone. Her professional, considerate attitude reflects positively on the City, Police Department and Municipal Court.

### LIFE SAVINGS AWARDS

**Travis Kakuske and Richard Wipperfurth:** On March 8, 2007, at 3:46 AM, Officer Travis Kakuske and Officer Rick Wipperfurth assisted EMS with a 78 year old male pulse-less non-breathing patient at 6711 North Avenue. Officer Kakuske arrived on scene at 3:47 AM and learned from the patient's wife that she

had just talked with her husband minutes before he stopped breathing. Officer Wipperfurth arrived on scene at 3:49 AM and assisted Officer Kakuske with CPR and administered two AED shocks. The patient regained a pulse and started limited breathing due to the officers' efforts. At 3:52 AM, Middleton

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Paramedics arrived on scene and both officers continued CPR until the patient was loaded in the ambulance. The patient, Raymond E. Michaels, made a full recovery from the incident. Paramedic Ryan Kitterman, who was one of the paramedics on the call, gives total credit for the save to Officer Kakuske and

Officer Wipperfurth. Officer Kakuske has been a member of the Middleton Police Department for almost two years, Officer Wipperfurth for a little over two years. This is Officer Wipperfurth's second Life Saving Award.

### **MIDDLETON GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARDS**

**Robert Hudson:** Bob Hudson is the President and co-owner of Middleton Ford, a car dealership that has been in Middleton and in the Hudson family for over 60 years. Bob has been an active member of the Middleton community and a good friend to the Police Department for many years. Bob is on the board of directors of the Middleton Business Watch, a joint effort between the Police Department, business community and Middleton Chamber of Commerce to alert local businesses of crime trends and provide educational seminars to members and non-members alike. Since 2002, Bob and employees at Middleton Ford have hosted the annual Car Winterization Program, in conjunction with the Police Department and the Middleton Senior Center. The program, typically held in the fall of the year, allows senior citizens to bring their vehicle to Middleton Ford for a free checkup, including headlamp and taillight, tire pressure, anti-freeze, battery charge, etc. Whenever the Police Department needs a vehicle, Bob does not hesitate to provide one at no cost. We have used Middleton Ford vehicles to transport children for our annual Shop With A Cop program, to transport members of our Special Events Team to their assignments on State Street during Halloween, a

vehicle for the high school liaison officer and undercover cars for our drug investigators. Bob is a valued member of the business community, never hesitates to assist the police when asked and is deserving of this award.

**Johnnie Bester:** Johnnie is the night shift clerk at the PDQ store, located at the intersection of Branch Street and Century Avenue. This PDQ store is located between two popular bars. Johnnie has zero tolerance for impaired drivers. When patrons come into her store that she believes are incapable of driving safely, she gives them two options. She tells them they can leave their car in the lot and she will call them a cab, or she will call the police. Johnnie is a woman of her word. Middleton Police records show an average of three calls a month from Ms. Bester, reporting an impaired driver. Ms. Bester never hesitates to contact the police when there are problems in the store or nearby area; she is always a good witness and will help customers in need. Members of the Middleton Police Department's 3rd shift unanimously nominated Ms. Bester for this award and are appreciative to her help in the community.

### **Other News**

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Wisconsin Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony was held at 12:00 noon on Friday, May 18, 2007, at the State Capitol in Madison. Chief Keil, Lt. Foulke, Sgt. Hellenbrand, Detective Zimmerman and Officer Ash represented the

Middleton Police Department. The event was even more poignant than most with the recent murder of Kenosha County Sheriff's Deputy Frank Fabiano, killed in the line of duty on May 17, 2007.

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### **Special Olympics Torch Run**

On June 7, several members of the Middleton Police Department participated in the Wisconsin Special Olympics Torch Run. Sgt. Troy Hellenbrand escorted several bicyclists, including Middleton resident Bob Schaeffer, as they rode their bicycles from the Capitol Square in Madison to Stevens Point. Middleton Officers Jill Tutaj, Kim Olson, Jeremy Geiszler, Mike Wood and Chuck Foulke ran three miles from the Capitol Square to Olin Park. Both efforts were to raise money for Special Olympics. Since its inception 26 years ago, over \$25 million has been raised for Special Olympic athletes by law enforcement officers.

### **Sgt. Mueller recipient of Traffic Safety Award**

Middleton Police Department Sergeant Don Mueller was the recipient of the 2007 Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Safety “Director’s Award” for outstanding efforts in traffic policing and traffic safety. The award was presented to Sergeant Mueller by Superintendent Dave Collins of the Wisconsin State Patrol and Major Dan Lonsdorf, the Director of the Bureau of Transportation Safety, at the 2007 Governor’s Conference on Highway Safety in Stevens Point on August 22. As a recipient of this award, Sergeant Mueller will be sent by WI DOT to the National Life Saver Conference in Portland, Oregon next spring. Sergeant Mueller has been a member of the Middleton Police Department since 1975. He has devoted much of his career to the area of traffic enforcement and safety.

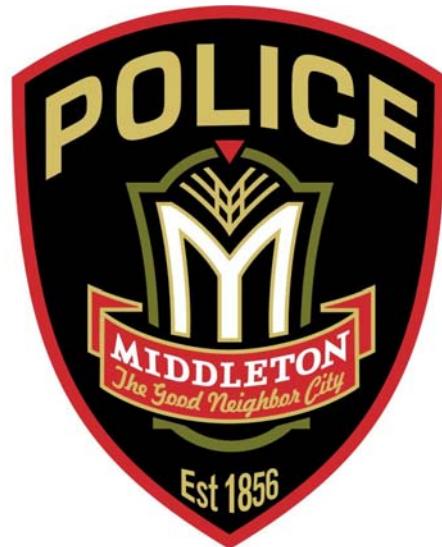


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### New Police Patch

This past spring, the City developed a new seal. Officer Greg Dixon, with input from other officers and police employees, designed a new uniform patch, which incorporated the new city seal. Beginning in September, the department slowly began making the transition to the new patches, initially by new uniforms as needed and replacing the old patches on our winter uniforms and jackets.

This patch is the fifth version since the Police Department began wearing uniform patches in the 1950's.

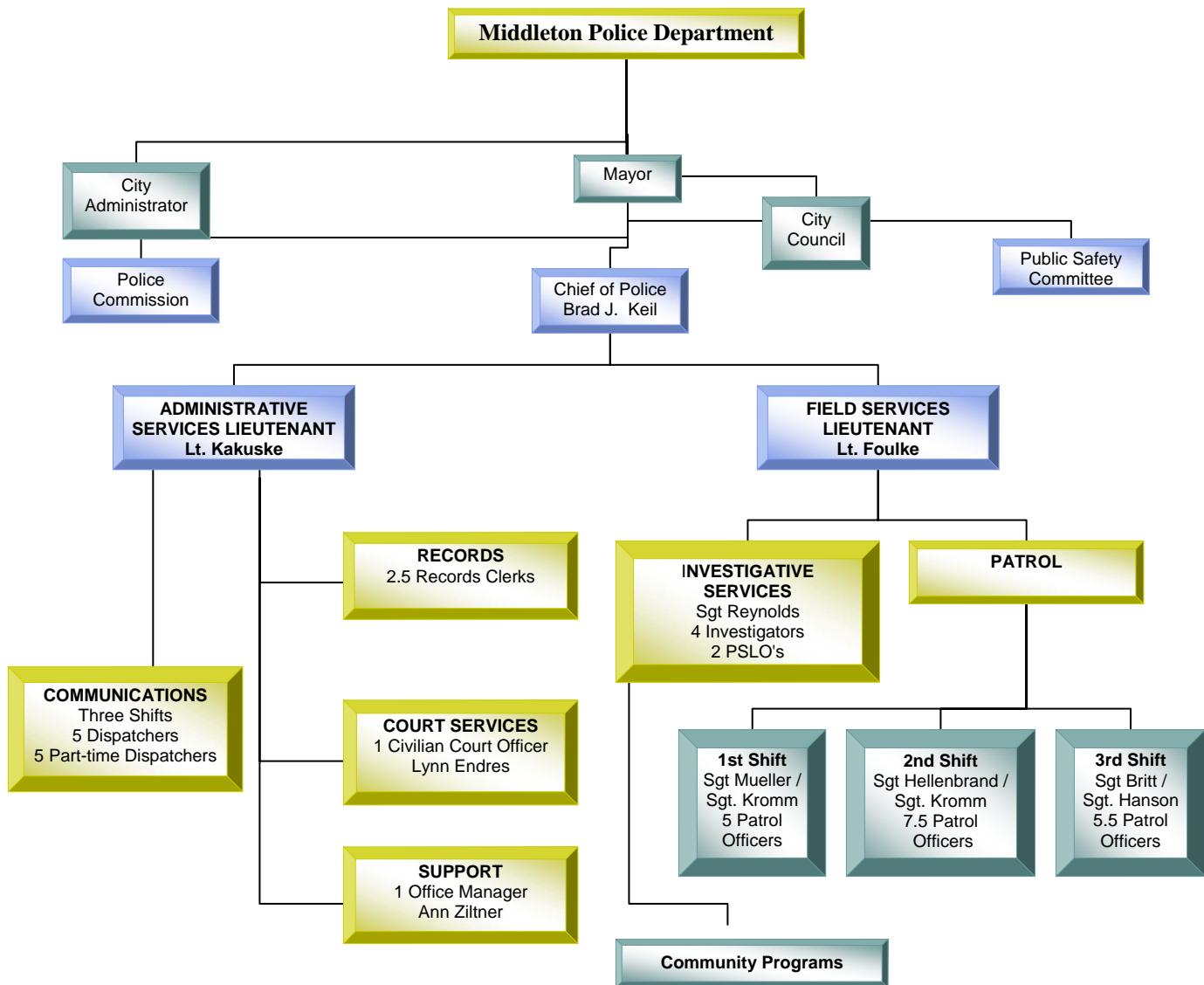


**Previous versions of Middleton Police patches  
(circa 1956 – 2007)**



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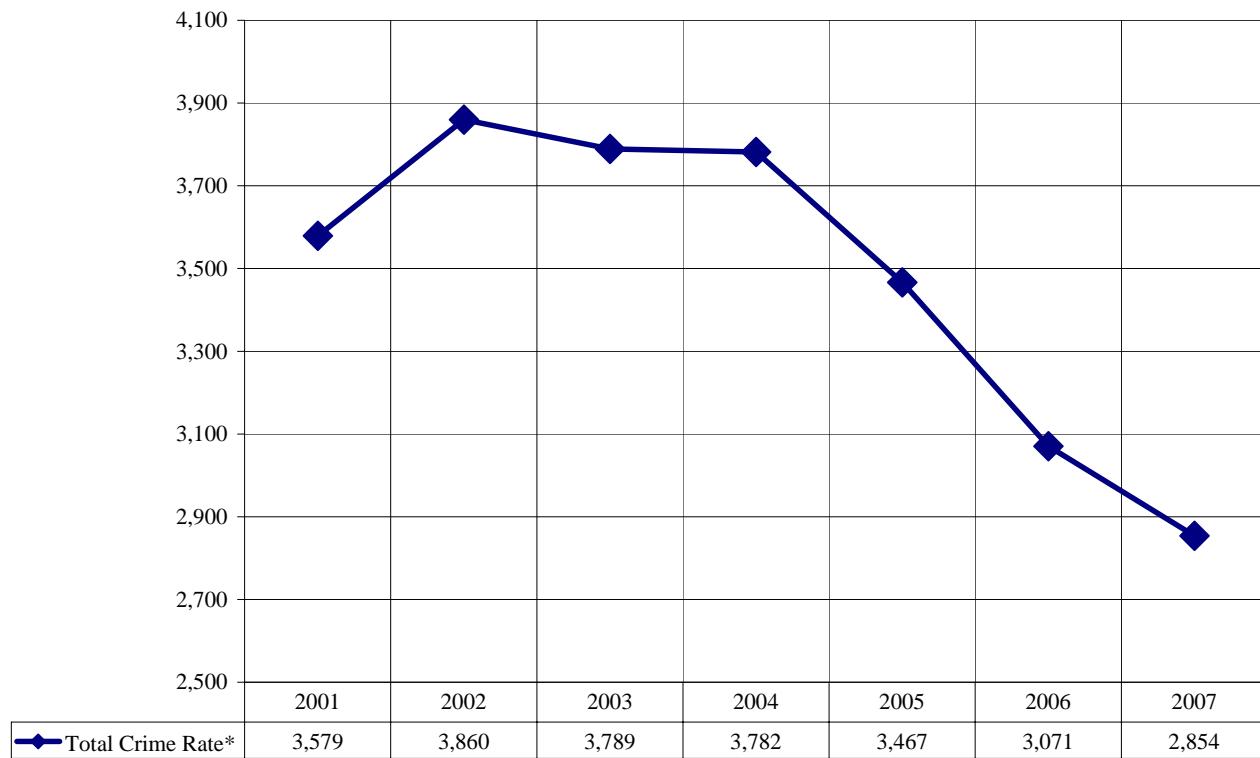
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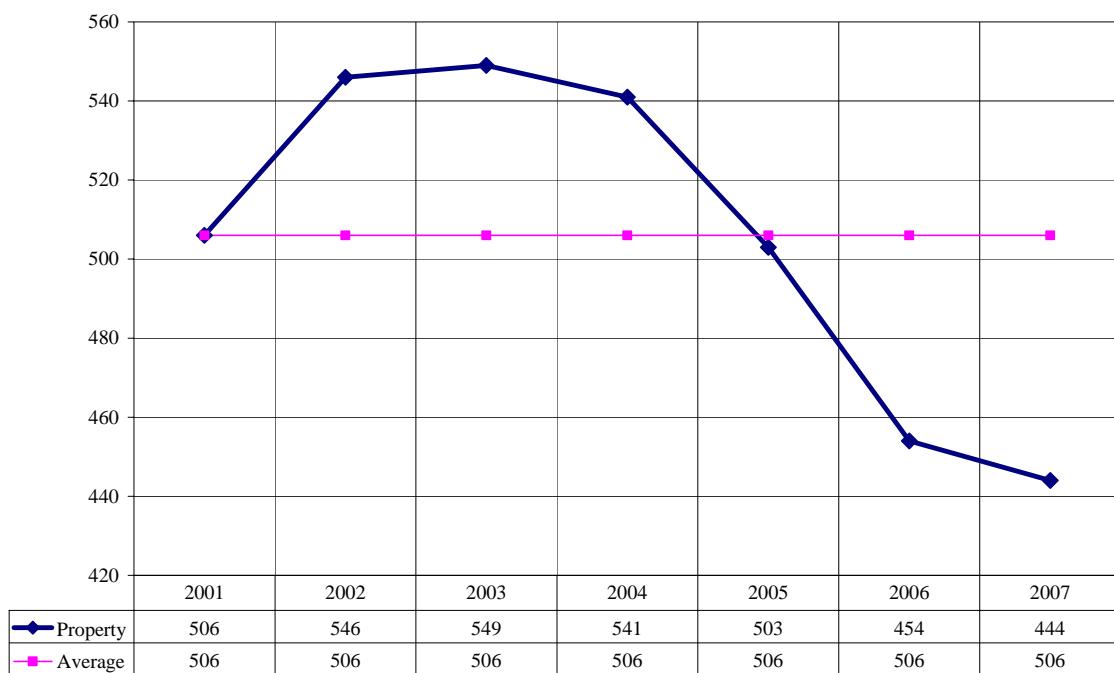
# 2007 Crime & Arrest Data

<b>MIPD 2007 Crime &amp; Arrest Data Estimate</b>								
	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	7-Year Average
Personal Crimes	<b>40</b>	66	78	81	71	75	63	<b>68</b>
Property Crimes	<b>444</b>	454	503	541	549	546	506	<b>506</b>
Sexual Assault	<b>1</b>	3	6	2	3	1	2	<b>3</b>
Robbery	<b>4</b>	11	5	4	4	4	3	<b>5</b>
Assault/Battery	<b>35</b>	52	67	74	64	70	58	<b>60</b>
Burglary	<b>57</b>	63	94	95	54	63	44	<b>67</b>
Theft	<b>352</b>	373	392	418	475	469	432	<b>416</b>
Motor Vehicle Theft	<b>20</b>	18	17	28	20	14	30	<b>21</b>
Clearance Rate	<b>27.9%</b>	31.7%	22.0%	29.4%	25.6%	27.0%	34.2%	<b>28%</b>
Stolen Property Value	<b>\$348,629</b>	\$516,422	\$365,952	\$375,948	\$387,201	\$337,575	\$766,599	<b>\$442,618</b>
Recovered Property Value	<b>\$151,472</b>	\$98,219	\$142,922	\$91,203	\$108,493	\$93,555	\$514,098	<b>\$171,423</b>
Recovery Rate	<b>43.4%</b>	19%	39%	24%	28%	28%	67%	<b>35%</b>
Calls For Service	<b>19,152</b>	17,230	15,654	15,637	15,843	14,017	14,326	<b>15,980</b>
Accidents	<b>758</b>	695	821	825	705	696	712	<b>745</b>
Traffic Complaints	<b>333</b>	341	434	367	293	-	-	<b>354</b>
Traffic Stops	<b>4,613</b>	4,260	2,691	2,957	3,654	3,149	3,496	<b>3,546</b>
Total Traffic Citations	<b>4,302</b>	3,646	2,560	2,430	2,589	2,360	2,237	<b>2,875</b>
Speeding Citations	<b>1,502</b>	1,597	835	797	966	985	678	<b>1,051</b>
OWI Arrests	<b>308</b>	239	191	217	222	150	195	<b>217</b>
Total UCR Arrests	<b>1,437</b>	1,266	1,329	1,403	1,330	1,279	1,359	<b>1,343</b>
Drug Arrests	<b>141</b>	88	91	125	143	104	69	<b>109</b>
Disorderly Conduct Arrest	<b>303</b>	222	232	274	260	274	207	<b>253</b>
Resisting Officer Arrests	<b>90</b>	50	68	72	65	63	85	<b>70</b>
Possession of Tobacco	<b>18</b>	35	31	50	63	79	74	<b>50</b>
Alcohol Citations	<b>249</b>	204	215	190	222	235	196	<b>216</b>
Noise Citations	<b>49</b>	39	41	24	11	9	4	<b>25</b>

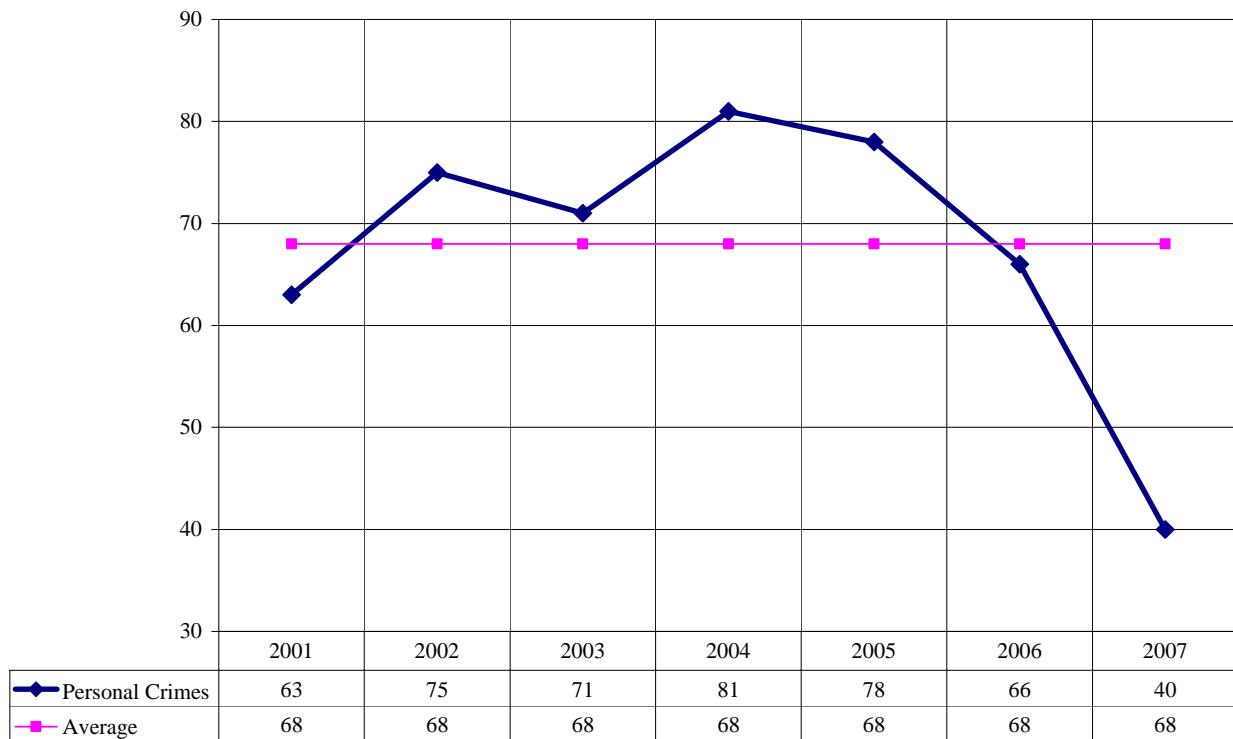
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### Property Crimes



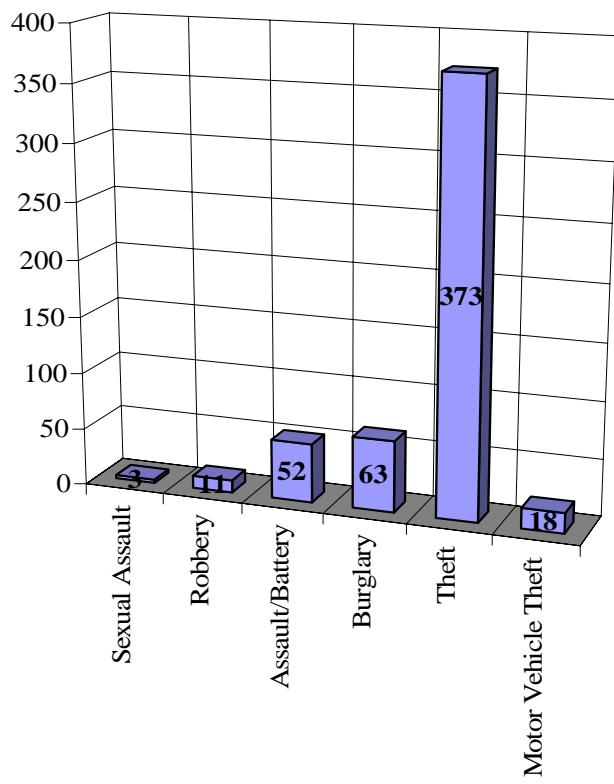
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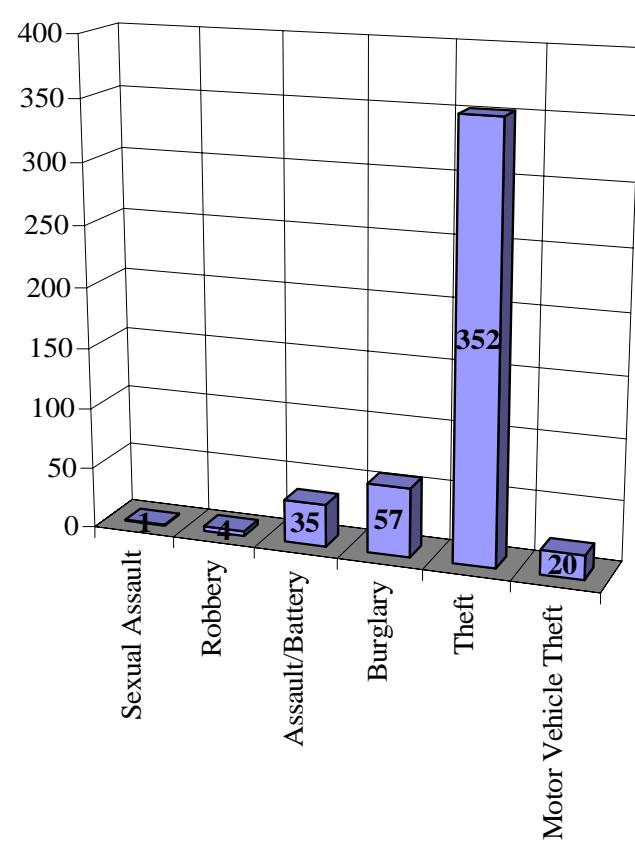
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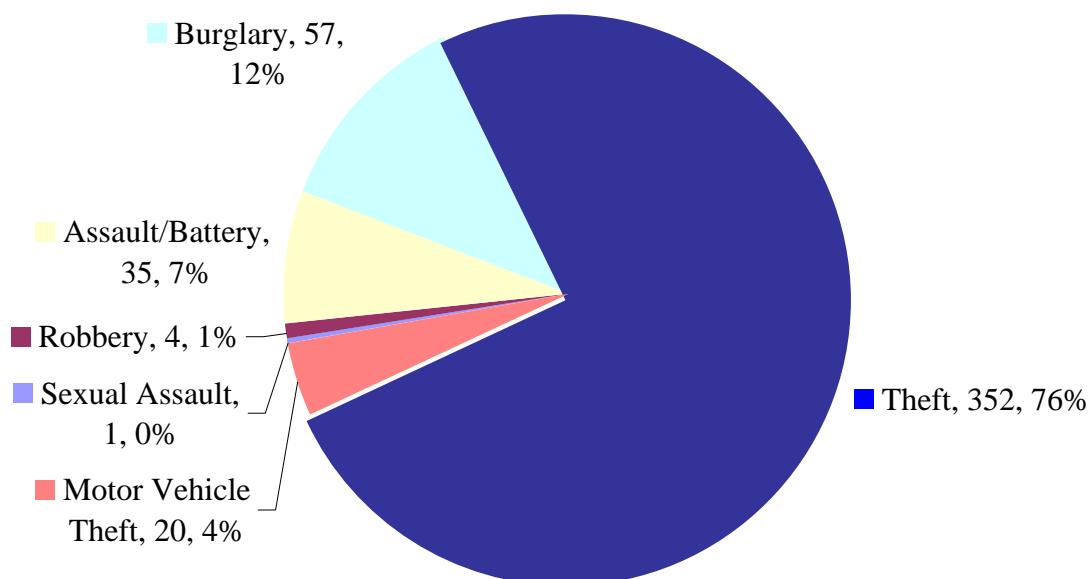
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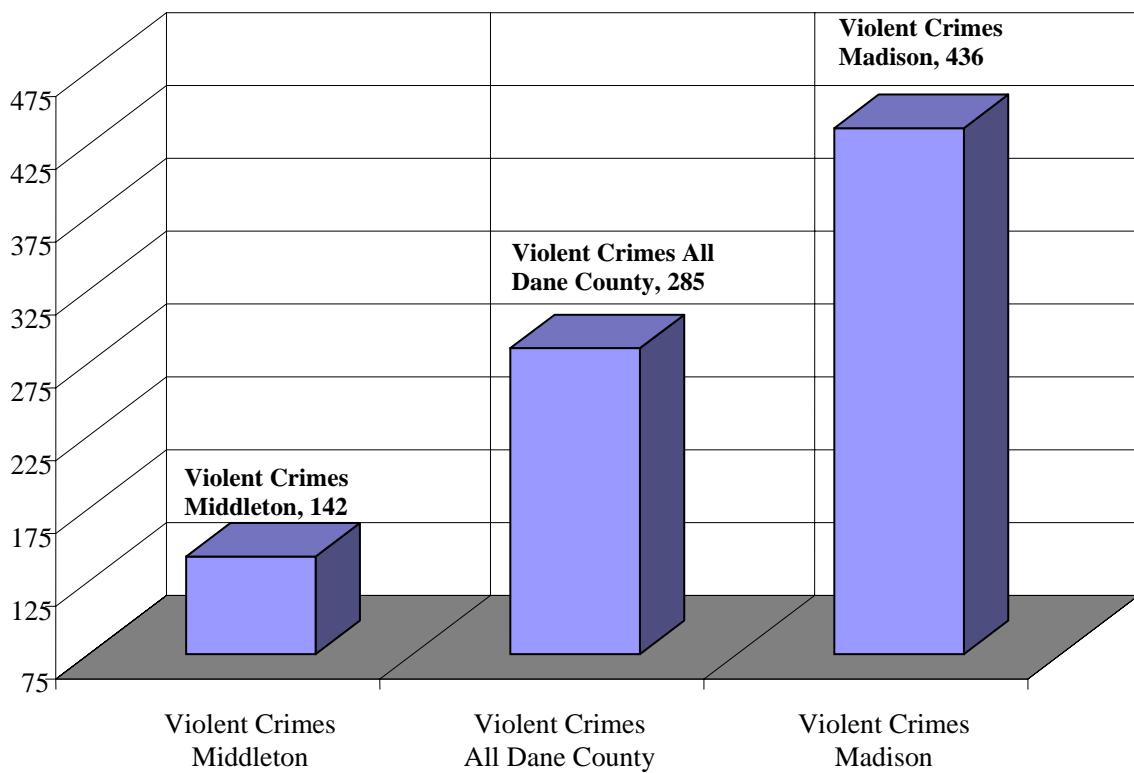
**Middleton 2007 Crimes**



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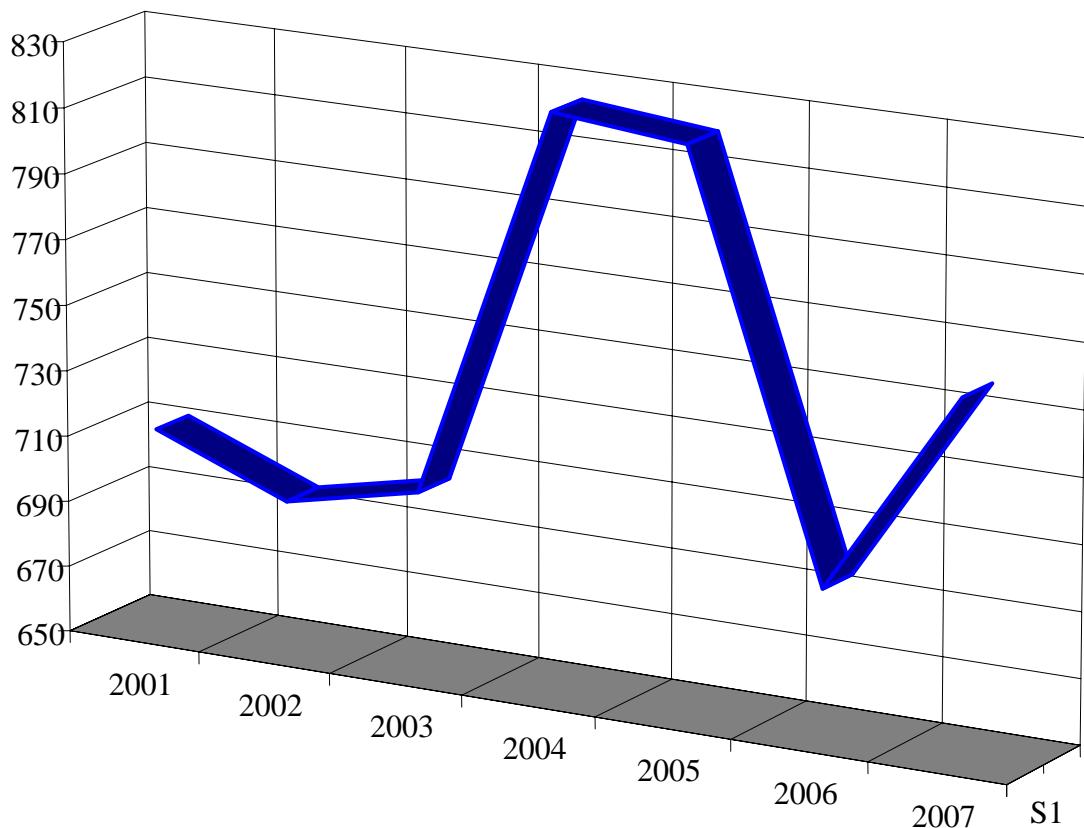
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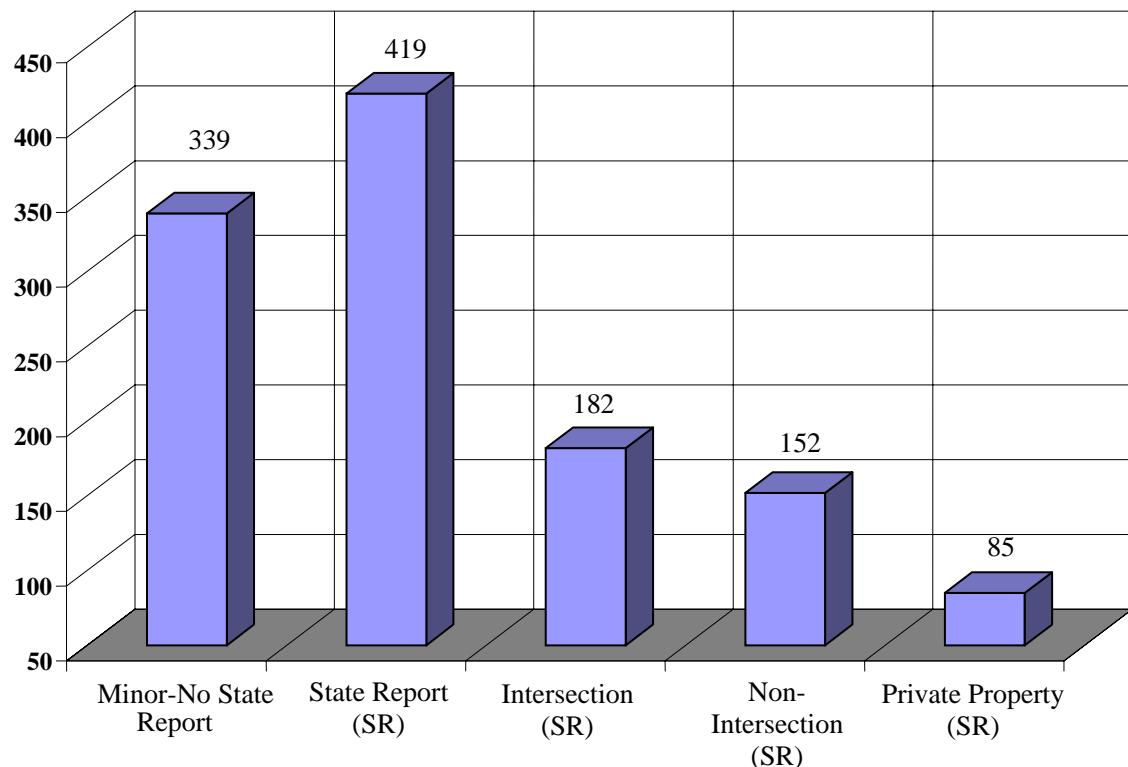
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### Traffic Crashes By Year



### 2007 Accidents



### **Police Calls For Service by Year**

