

# MIDDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT



## 2013 Annual Report

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

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 2013.

The photo on the cover of the 2013 Annual report is a reflection of the 2013 National Night Out event. This event has become one of the largest, free, public events in our community. The event allows our public safety personnel, as well as public safety personnel from other area departments, to interact with citizens on a more personal level.

The overall crime rate was down 23% in 2013 from 2012. This was the lowest rate of crime reported in Middleton in over ten years. Residential burglaries and thefts from motor vehicles, which make up a majority of our crimes, were down 42% and 21% respectively. We attribute this reduction to cooperation from citizens after outreach efforts through our use of social media and our Vehicle Report Card system.

Unfortunately, the use of Heroin continues to plague our community. Police officers and paramedics responded to six overdose calls in 2013. Two of those calls resulted in the death of the users. Arrests of those responsible for delivering the drug were made after the most recent death. Middleton Police continue to work with area law enforcement and others to try to curb this epidemic which is responsible for many of the crimes committed in our community.

We worked very closely with our School District again this past year on planning for and responding to critical incidents that might occur at schools or during school related activities. Joint training and a full scale exercise, paid for in part with a grant through the Office of Justice Assistance, was conducted in 2013.

Our goal to achieve Accreditation through the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group will soon become a reality. Work on revising and updating all Department policies and procedures in order to meet Accreditation Standards was completed in 2013. An assessment of the Department was conducted by members of WILEAG in early January of 2014. The WILEAG Board will meet in early 2014 to determine if our Department meets the 234 standards necessary to achieve accreditation. While nothing is official, I am confident that our Department has done the work needed to achieve accreditation. I want to publicly thank Captain Noel Kakuske, our Accreditation Manager, for all of his hard work over the past year and a half on this important achievement.

Please follow us on Facebook and Twitter and sign up for e-mail alerts through our website at [www.middletonpd.com](http://www.middletonpd.com). If you have any questions about this report, or if you would like to learn more about the Department, contact us at 824-7300 or through our website.

Sincerely,

Brad

Brad J Keil  
Chief of Police

# MISSION

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

# VISION

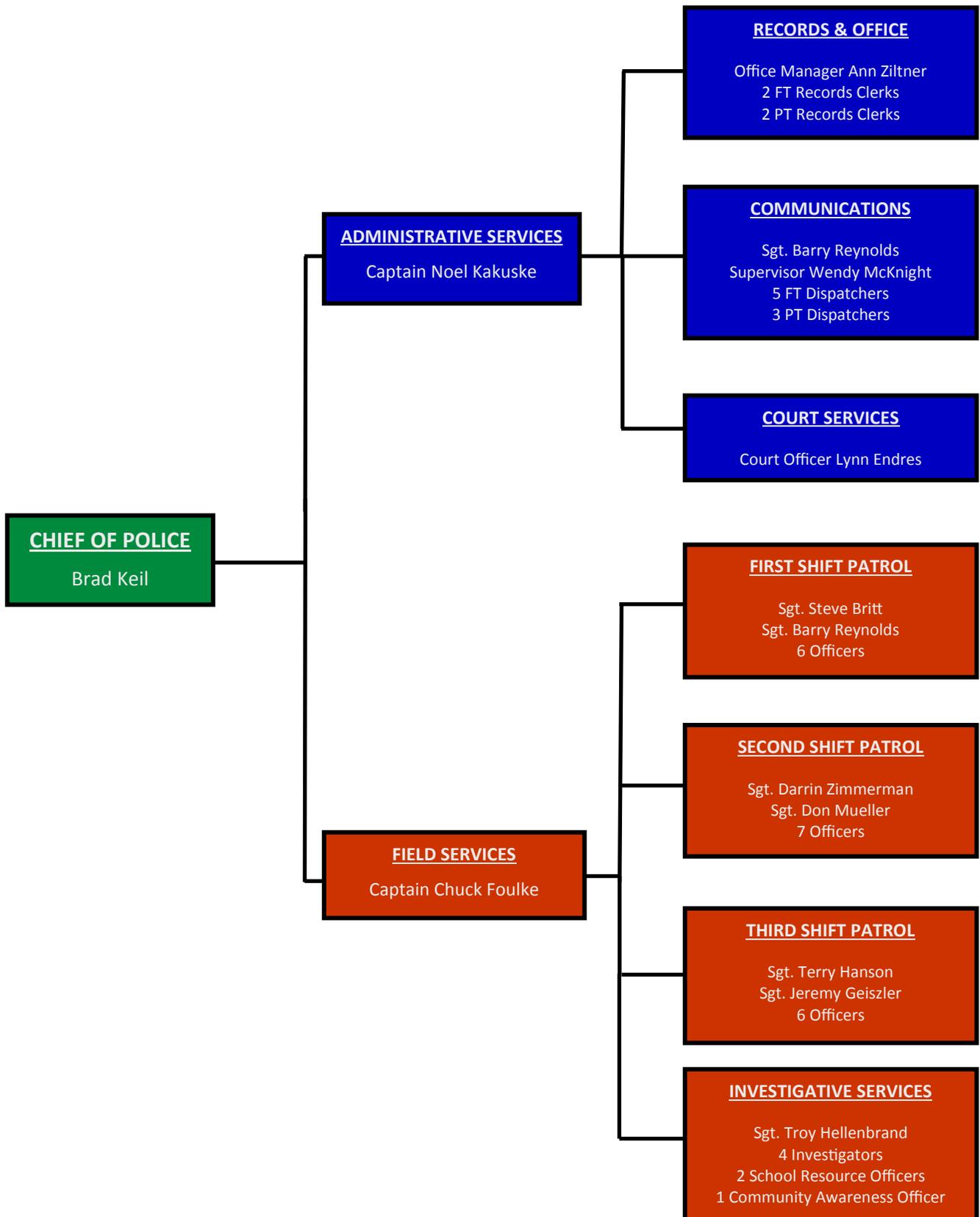
“We will be leaders in our community and among our peers. We will be a model for integrity, service, innovation and excellence.”

# VALUES

As members of the Middleton Police Department, our personal and professional values reflect the core ideology of our organization. These are the deeply held principles to which we are committed and which will not change over time. These values are what our organization lives and breathes, and are reflected in all of our efforts and activities.

- ◆ **Integrity:** We recognize the complexity of police work and exercise discretion in ways that are beyond reproach and worthy of public trust. We are honest in words and deeds. We demonstrate self-discipline, particularly when no one is watching or listening.
- ◆ **Respect:** We treat everyone in our community and workplace with courtesy and dignity. We are committed to a work environment that is safe and open. We recognize and foster the individual talents and strengths of our fellow employees, and we celebrate their successes.
- ◆ **Diversity:** We recognize that respecting the inherent differences in individuals is essential to creating an inclusive organization and community.
- ◆ **Trust:** We believe in the reliability, truthfulness, ability and strength of those around us, and we strive to be trustworthy in all of our words and actions.
- ◆ **Synergy:** We work together to accomplish more as a team than we can individually.
- ◆ **Leadership:** We seek to positively influence others to achieve goals that meet the needs of our organization and community. We accept our responsibility as leaders within the community and strive to be a model among law enforcement agencies.
- ◆ **Professional Development and Growth:** We recognize that our employees are our most valuable asset and we are dedicated to their mental and physical well-being. We constantly strive to provide opportunities for all of our employees to enhance their personal growth and job satisfaction. We recognize that this is a shared responsibility, and we encourage and support the initiative of all employees to seek out and obtain individual training and education.
- ◆ **Dependability:** We consistently and reliably provide quality service to our community, allied organizations, and fellow employees, as partners in the task of policing.
- ◆ **Accountability:** We are each responsible for the quality of our performance, and for the reputation and morale of the department. We are committed to conducting ourselves in accordance with our Oath of Honor.
- ◆ **Competence:** We are prudent stewards of the public’s grant of authority and resources. We are knowledgeable and proficient in the use of police strategies and skills, and we meet or exceed contemporary professional standards for service and performance.
- ◆ **Courage:** We accept our moral responsibility to take action against injustice and wrong-doing. We will exercise fortitude in the face of danger, and stand resolute against actions which compromise our values.

# 2013 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



# SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN 2013

## January

MI12-8224, Sexual Assault of a Child

James A. "Alex" Gillespie was arrested for Repeated Acts of a Sexual Assault of a Child based on an investigation which was initiated in December of 2012.

MI13-100, MI13-139, MI13-213, MI13-215, MI13-218, MI13-236, Residential Burglaries

Homes in the Stonefield neighborhood were forcibly entered and numerous items of value were stolen. Cases in 2013 were likely related to an increase of residential burglaries in the same neighborhood in late 2012.

MI13-524, 01/23/13, 3300 block of High Road, Theft of Motor Vehicle

The victim left his vehicle running, unattended to warm up. The vehicle was taken and a short time later the suspects were involved in a retail theft and theft of a license plate at the west Madison Walmart. The same suspects then committed a home invasion in Grant County and took a shotgun and another vehicle. The vehicle stolen in Middleton was recovered in Madison on 01/27/13 and a suspect arrested (although he is not believed to have taken the vehicle originally). Raequon Allen and Ferris Robinson were charged with the theft of the vehicle and numerous other offenses related to this crime spree.

MI13-660, 01/31/13, Subway-Middleton Springs, Armed Robbery

A suspect entered Subway, produced what appeared to be a handgun and demanded money. No arrests have been made in this case.



## Alcohol Compliance Checks:

In March, the Middleton Police Department conducted another round of alcohol compliance checks. The purpose of this effort was to determine the degree to which licensed establishments complied with laws relating to the sale of alcoholic



beverages to underage persons. **The current round of 35 checks yielded a compliance rate of 85%.**

All licensed establishments in the City of Middleton were notified by letter that compliance checks would be conducted. A citizen volunteer, who is currently 18 years old, was used to complete these checks. No attempts were made to misrepresent the volunteers' age or to distract the business employee. If requested, the volunteer provided his actual Wisconsin photo driver's license which clearly indicated that he was not of legal drinking age. The Wisconsin driver's license was printed vertically, indicating they were under the legal drinking age at the time of issuance, and also had the date that he would be 21 years old clearly printed on the front. If questioned by a business employee, the volunteer verbally provide their actual age. The volunteer worked under the supervision of police officers and was under continuous observation.

Three persons were cited for selling alcoholic beverages to an underage person, which could result in a \$366.00 fine. They may also face sanctions from their employers. The City's Alcohol Licensing Committee will review the compliance check results.

The following establishments unlawfully sold alcohol to a minor during this operation:

1. PDQ Convenience Store, 6519 Century Avenue
2. T.G.I. Friday's, 1610 Deming Way
- Abuelos Mexican Food Embassy, 2229 Deming Way

## April

MI13-2148, 04/04/13, 1:20 AM, 6400 block of Century Avenue, Home Invasion

Four individuals forcibly entered a residence in the 6400 block of Century Avenue. The victims in this case were uncooperative and it's believed this home invasion was related to drug distribution/possession.

## May

MI13-3108, 05/11/13, Middleton Hills Neighborhood, Damage to Property

Over the course of several weekends in late April and early May, suspects threw full cans of sodas at residences in the Middleton Hills neighborhood. In all, 11 homes were damaged, including one that had the front picture window smashed, with an estimated damage of over \$11,000.00. On 05/11/13, a witness observed a vehicle in the neighborhood with the occupants throwing cans of soda at homes and notified the police. Officers were nearby and stopped the vehicle. The occupants were questioned and admitted involvement and that the soda was stolen from Woodman's. Four male juveniles from the Middleton area were charged with Criminal Damage to Property and Shoplifting.

MI13-3713, 05/30/13, Northeast portion of Middleton, Weather Event

Strong winds blew off of the lake causing damage along the lake and then north of Century Avenue in the Orchid Heights neighborhood. Middleton Police, Fire and Public Works responded to at least 15



calls for service, which included downed trees, power lines, etc. No injuries were reported.

The worst damage appeared to be this residence on Baskerville Walk.

## June

MI13-3899,  
06/03/13, 1:59  
PM, Associated  
Bank, Robbery

A suspect entered the bank and presented the Teller with a threatening note demanding money.



The Teller complied and the suspect left with an undisclosed amount of money. No one was injured. Fingerprints left on the note, as well as investigative efforts by Middleton Detectives led to the identification and arrest of Phillip A Kallas, 30 years old, of Madison, with Armed Robbery.

MI13-3956, 06/05/13, 4:36 PM, 2600 Parmenter Street, Injury Accident

Police responded to a rollover accident on Parmenter Street, north of the roundabout. The driver, Jordan Ripp, of Middleton, was cited for Unreasonable and Imprudent Speed and is being required to have his license re-examined.



MI13-4089, 06/10/13, 3:56 PM, Willy Street Co-Op, Theft

A musician playing in front of the store left his fiddle, bow and case containing donations outside for a brief time as he went in the store. The fiddle, bow and case were stolen, valued in excess of \$2,300.00. Jonathyn Torgerson, NPA, was identified and charged with the theft and the fiddle was recovered and returned to the victim.

## **July**

MI13-5089, 07/23/13, 9:16 AM, 6100 block of Century Avenue, Weapons Violation

Residents reported a male marching back and forth near the pool and volleyball court in the Middleton Shores Apartment Complex, carrying an assault rifle. Officers arrived, set up a perimeter, formed a contact team and took the subject into custody. The rifle turned out to be a realistic looking "airsoft" rifle and the man was obviously undergoing a mental health crisis. He was taken to the VA Hospital.

## **August**

MI13-5735, 08/19/13, 6700 block of Maywood Avenue, Possession of Child Pornography

Todd W. Anderson was arrested and jailed on 12 counts of child pornography.

## **September**

MI13-6442, 09/16/13, 3800 block of Signature Drive, Theft

A complainant reported that over \$35,000.00 in jewelry was taken from her residence while she was out of town. She reported that her elderly mother also lived in the residence and was under constant care by aides. Middleton officers and detectives searched pawn shop data bases and learned that one of the substitute aides had pawned numerous items of jewelry. Lisa and Roger Johnson, of Stoughton, were arrested, questioned, confessed and were taken to jail. Much of the jewelry was recovered, but some was melted down.

## **November**

MI13-7713, 11/16/13, 3600 block of Napoli Lane, Death Investigation

A 20 year old Middleton resident was discovered deceased after an apparent Heroin overdose. Investigation resulted in the arrest and criminal charges for Davina L. Johnson and Karley M. Lamphier.

MI13-7859, 11/22/13, Middleton High School, Bomb Threat

School officials were notified of a bomb threat located in a student restroom. Due to the nature of the message, school officials made the decision to evacuate the school. Because of the frigid temperatures and inability to search the school in a timely manner, the Superintendent made the decision to cancel school for the High School. The school was searched with negative results.

MI13-7889, 11/24/13, 1:35 AM, Verizon Store, Burglary

Middleton officers responded to a silent burglary alarm at the Verizon phone store. A responding officer observed a vehicle in the vicinity of the store and noted the license plate. Upon arrival, officers discovered the business had been broken into by the suspect breaking the front window. Electronics were stolen from the store. Video was obtained from the store's security system. Investigation showed that several phone stores in the Madison area were broken into during the same time frame and video indicated the suspect was the same as the Middleton case. On 11/26/13, a phone store in Rhinelander, WI, was broken into. Responding officers observed a male in the business upon arrival and after a short foot chase, he was taken into custody. The suspect was driving the same vehicle observed in the vicinity of the Verizon Store in Middleton and he matched the images from the videos in the Madison area phone store break-ins. Siphanh Phongsavath, from Oak Creek, was charged with the Middleton burglary and several others.

## **December**

MI13-8153, 8154, 8156 and 8171, 12/07/13, 6:30 PM to 8:50 PM, 8500 block of Greenway Blvd., Burglaries

Four burglaries to apartments occurred in the early evening hours. Entry was gained through bedroom windows and patio doors. In at least two incidents, chairs were propped against the front door to prevent or slow entry if the resident returned while the suspect(s) were inside. Jewelry, cash and electronics were stolen.

## FIELD SERVICES PERSONNEL

The Field Services Division of the Middleton Police Department is made up of uniformed patrol supervisors and officers and the Investigative Services Bureau. The Field Services Division is supervised by Captain Charles Foulke.

The uniformed patrol division is divided into three shifts. First shift runs from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM and is supervised by Sergeants Britt and Reynolds. Second shift runs from 3:00 PM to 11:00 PM and is supervised by Sergeants Zimmerman and Mueller. Third shift runs from 11:00 PM to 7:00 AM and is supervised by Sergeants Hanson and Geiszler.

The uniformed patrol division consists of six supervisors and 19 officers, spread over the three shifts.



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The Investigative Services Bureau is supervised by Sergeant Hellenbrand. There are four detectives in the unit, two School Resource Officers and one Community Services Officer who handles proactive programs.

## ROTATING DETECTIVE POSITION



In January, Travis Kakuske began his “rotating detective” assignment. The Department assigns an officer to work in the capacity of a detective for 15 months. The officer is assigned to the Dane County Narcotics Unit Task Force for three months, then returns to the Middleton Police Department and is assigned a regular case load as a detective.

Detective Kakuske received positive reviews from his supervisors and colleagues while assigned to the Drug Task Force and has been invaluable in his role as a detective for the Middleton Police Department. Detective Kakuske has been with the Department since 2005 and prior to that was an officer for the Shorewood Hills Police Department. Detective Kakuske has a Bachelor’s Degree from Upper Iowa University and is working on his Master’s Degree from University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

## PROBATIONARY OFFICERS

Officer Steve Ziegler began employment with the Middleton Police Department in February of 2012. He completed his Field Training and probationary solo patrol. In August, the Field Training Team recommended that Officer Ziegler pass his probationary period. Chief Keil agreed and Officer Ziegler was officially removed from probation on August 13, 2013.





*Officer Tyler Loether completed Field Training in January and began solo patrol.*



*Officer Tyler Franks completed Field Training in February and began solo patrol.*



*Officer Matt Curran completed Field Training in May and began solo patrol.*

## NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICER PROGRAM

The Middleton Police Department’s Neighborhood Officer Program was created in 2005 to help the police and the citizens work cooperatively to identify and solve problems in the community. This past year saw some significant changes as the program continues to evolve in pace with our growing and diverse community.

Along with the implementation of the Department’s long range Policing Strategy Plan this past year, the Neighborhood Officer Program began a transformation process which will be completed in 2014.

In the first step of this process, designated neighborhood assignment areas were re-designed to more appropriately differentiate between distinct neighborhoods. Some designated assignment areas were consolidated into larger areas to make more efficient use of Department resources. Utilizing the Problem Oriented Policing model, which requires a greater awareness by the police of those issues, trends, and problems that impact the quality of life, the goal of the Neighborhood Officer Program is to respond to the needs of the community in the most effective and efficient ways possible. In 2014, the Department will be implementing a new organizational structure within the Neighborhood Officer Program which is designed to enhance the officer’s abilities to engage the community stakeholders in areas of mutual interest; identify and analyze problems and community needs; and develop long-lasting solutions.

During 2013, the Community Policing teams identified and addressed 18 neighborhood issues throughout the community. As traffic concerns are generally considered some of the most prevalent problems in Middleton, it is no surprise that traffic safety comprised the bulk of the neighborhood projects. Neighborhood officers worked on 12 traffic safety projects this year, addressing such things as speeding and high-traffic intersections. Public nuisance and public order projects were also addressed this year. These types of issues include chronic nuisance premises and other locations/persons that require an inordinate amount of police services.

One of the most recent significant success stories is the Neighborhood Officers’ efforts to reduce repetitive disturbance calls, trespassing, and criminal activity in the Lakeview Village area. Officers have closely engaged with the property management company to identify problem areas, worked with the residents to elicit support for efforts to reduce police-related incidents, and provided increased personal attention to the area in an effort to sustain the improvement of quality of life issues. During the summer, officers co-hosted a summer picnic for the residents of Lakeview Village and received a letter of thanks from the corporate property manager.



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For the past two years, the Department has published and distributed the “Safe Middleton” newsletter, a bi-monthly community policing and crime prevention information newsletter. The purpose of this newsletter is to help the Police Department keep our citizens informed of problems and issues in their neighborhoods, and to let you know what the Police Department can do to help make Middleton a safer community. In 2013, publication of the *Safe Middleton* newsletter was suspended so that work could begin on a more efficient and timely publication method.

In 2014, the Department’s community policing and crime prevention outreach efforts will be moved to the new community policing website, [www.SafeMiddleton.com](http://www.SafeMiddleton.com). By transitioning to a website format, the neighborhood officers will be able to actively engage individuals and neighborhoods and share information on an immediate basis, and the members of the community will have a single point of connection with their neighborhood officers. [www.SafeMiddleton.com](http://www.SafeMiddleton.com) will be launched in the spring of 2014. Watch the Department website for more information.

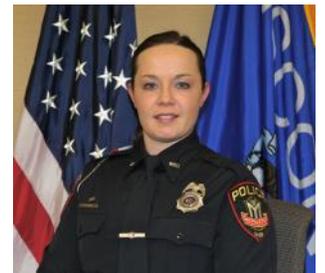
## TRAFFIC SAFETY REPORT

Traffic safety continues to be one of the top concerns for citizens in the City of Middleton. As such, the Middleton Police Department devotes considerable time and effort into the areas of traffic enforcement and traffic safety. The Department applies for traffic enforcement grants in order to place more officers on the road and to obtain additional traffic safety equipment. This past year, we received a free traffic laser device as part of the Dane County Sheriff’s Department SMART grant targeting the Highway 12 corridor. Officers are sent to traffic related training seminars as part of their ongoing training in order to enhance their abilities and knowledge in this important area.



*Officer Kathleen Riffenburg  
Drug Recognition Expert*

The local media in the past year has reported on the great increase in heroin and other drug abuse in Dane County. One of the results of that increase is an increase in the number of drugged drivers and accidents caused by them. Our Department is fortunate to have two highly trained officers in Kathleen Riffenburg and Jessica Quamme, both of whom are certified Drug Recognition Experts.



*Officer Jessica Quamme  
Drug Recognition Expert*

Their expertise is used not only by our Department but by other departments around the County who do not have such a valuable resource at their disposal. Their skill is needed in order for officers to identify the type of drug the driver is under the influence of. They can also ascertain whether an impairment may be medically related rather than drug related so that the driver can get the medical help he/she may need.



We are also fortunate to have two motorcycle officers in Mike Wood and Jesse Sellek. Both of these officers underwent a rigorous training regimen prior to being allowed to operate the Department motorcycle which was donated by Quaker Steak and Lube several years ago. They also partake in a yearly in-service training in order to keep up their skill level. Our motor officers accounted for 418 enforcement actions during the four months of motorcycle patrol in 2013. Officer Sellek also performed escort duty for the annual Ride for Kids motorcycle ride that leaves Fireman’s Park with hundreds of motorcyclists and he helped escort busloads of children from the Milwaukee airport to the Concerns of Police Survivors Children’s Camp which is held for the children of slain law enforcement officers.

Officer Sellek attended the Wisconsin Traffic Safety Officers Conference along with Sgt. Donald Mueller where they were updated on all the latest traffic law changes and other traffic safety related issues. Sgt. Mueller also attended the periodic meetings of the Dane County Traffic Safety Commission and the State lead Traffic Incident Management, both of which cover the latest updates in safety and incident management. Officer Cesar Salinas attended Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement training.

The speed awareness trailer was deployed around the City on numerous occasions in order to gather data on speeders and to notify drivers of their speed in an educational effort to reduce speeding.

Officers performed traffic safety functions such as traffic direction and control at numerous events around the City during the year. These ranged from the personnel intensive Good Neighbor Festival parades and the Haunted Hustle to mid-sized events such as the Ride for Kids and Gilda's Club Run to small events such as neighborhood children's Halloween parades.

There were 486 reportable accidents in 2013, compared to 405 in 2012, a 15 percent increase. The increase may be due to the increased traffic count and could also be attributed to a milder winter in 2012 as the four winter months alone saw a 29% increase.

Seatbelt, Speed and SMART grants were part of our enforcement package during 2013. Unfortunately, all three grants were cut short due to federal cuts in funding. Fortunately, funding became available late in the year and we received an OWI grant that began in November. Grants allow us to have the financial resources to assign additional officers to areas of traffic safety concern.

Grants provided the Department with an additional 248 hours of enforcement during 2013. Four hundred forty-nine traffic enforcement actions were taken by grant funded officers.

In addition to the grant patrols, officers devoted 255 hours of effort in directed traffic patrols to address areas of particular concern, frequently in response to citizen concerns voiced to the Department. Seven hundred forty traffic enforcement actions were taken during directed patrols.

The Department works in tandem with the Department of Public Works as engineering solutions can also address traffic safety issues.

# SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

For 2013, I again worked as the School Resource Officer for the Middleton High School (MHS) as well as Clark Street Community School. MHS continued to be one of the most active locations in the city in regards to police activity. I continued to be busy at MHS with a total of 532 calls for service for the calendar year. That is down from 542 calls in 2012. There were also fewer municipal citations and fewer criminal arrests at MHS for 2012 when compared to 2011. There were 77 municipal citations issued and eight criminal arrests referred to the Dane County District Attorney's Office from incidents that occurred at MHS.

The main police related calls at MHS were disturbances. Total crime was down approximately 28% in 2013 from 2012 at MHS.

In 2013, I focused on crisis response and safety planning for the Middleton Cross Plains Area School District (MCPASD). I was able to help with a mock bus accident that allowed Middleton Police, Middleton Fire, Middleton EMS and MCPASD administration the opportunity to see that their actual response plans, policies and procedures worked well in the event of an emergency.



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During the mock accident, several Middleton High School Students acted as injured students. They were helped from the crash scene all the way to reunification with their actor parents at MHS by emergency personnel and MCPASD staff. It was a great learning opportunity for all involved as well as an opportunity for emergency responders to meet and interact with different members of the MCPASD staff.

During this year, I also assisted in updating the safety response plans for the entire district. Students and staff now have more options on how to respond when an emergency occurs. Those options, along with practicing the plans, create a safer environment for students and staff of the district. During this process, MCPASD staff and I were able to put together some instructional videos describing the different emergency response actions for the district. The videos also explained what is expected of staff and students during the event of a crisis in the building. These videos are shown to the staff and students around the district.

Outside of safety, I continued to speak to different classes at the High School on several topics. I was able to speak to different health classes about drugs and alcohol, as well as to several other classes on different topics that met their specific curriculum. The students at MHS continue to be very curious about police work and the MHS Resource Officer position continues to be a great way for the Police Department to positively interact on a daily basis with students.

2013 was another busy year for me, Officer Tom Wilson, the Kromrey Middle School Resource Officer (SRO.) I finished up my first year as the SRO and started my second year in this position in the fall. The Kromrey Middle School position includes Kromrey Middle School along with the three elementary schools in the City of Middleton. It also includes assisting the Middleton High School SRO as well.

Aside from handling calls for service at the schools, going into classrooms, and making positive connections with staff and students, teaching students was one of my primary roles. In the spring, I worked with the social workers of the three elementary schools to teach the Keeping Safe Program to all of the kindergarten through fourth grade students. I also taught fifth graders internet safety as well as the dangers of alcohol, tobacco and marijuana.



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In the fall, I again taught the G.R.E.A.T. program to all of the sixth grade students. G.R.E.A.T. stands for Gang Resistance Education and Training and is a school-based, law enforcement officer instructed classroom curriculum. With prevention as its primary objective, the program is intended as an immunization against delinquency, youth violence and gang membership. The goal of the G.R.E.A.T. program is to help youth develop positive life skills that will help them avoid gang involvement and violent behavior. G.R.E.A.T. uses a community-wide approach to combat the risk factors associated with youth involvement in gang related behaviors. The lessons included in each curriculum are interactive and designed to allow students to practice positive behaviors that will remain with them during the remainder of their development years.

G.R.E.A.T. is a 13-week program and at the completion of the program all of the students were invited to participate in a graduation ceremony. Food and refreshments were provided and all of the students received a graduation certificate. The G.R.E.A.T. program was again very successful and the ceremony was attended by more than 250 students and family members!

During the year, school safety continued and will continue to be a top priority. I participated in numerous meetings and safety exercises to ensure the safety and security of students and staff. One of the exercises was a mock full scale school bus accident which occurred in August. I also assisted in the implementation of the new school video system which is in place at all of the schools in the district.

Lastly, 2013 continued to be an exciting time for staff and students at Kromrey Middle School. The new school building was in full construction mode and the majority of it should be completed by the start of the 2014-2015 school year. Fifth graders will then be welcomed into the middle school environment with a brand new state of the art facility!

# TRAINING

## Management Training

Sergeant Jeremy Geiszler graduated from the 252<sup>nd</sup> session of the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia on March 22, 2013. This class contained law enforcement executives from 49 states, 27 international countries, four military and five federal civilian organizations. The FBI National Academy, 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. Sergeant Geiszler received credit for four Master's Degree level classes through the University of Virginia.



*FBI Director Robert Mueller presents Sergeant Geiszler with his diploma during the graduation ceremony at the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA.*

FBI Director Robert Mueller was the principal speaker at the graduation ceremony. Chief Brad Keil, as well as Sergeant Geiszler's family, attended the ceremony. Sergeant Geiszler's father is also a past graduate of the National Academy.



*Chief Keil and Captains Kakuske and Foulke with Sergeant Zimmerman at his graduation ceremony.*

On November 22, 2013, Sergeant Darrin Zimmerman graduated from Northwestern University's 346th School of Police Staff and Command. This course was held in Madison. The course is an intensive ten week program that prepares law enforcement managers for senior positions within their department by combining academic principles with practical applications. Sergeant Zimmerman's project was on the subject of outfitting patrol officers with portable body cameras.

The Middleton Police Department emphasizes management training for its Command Staff. Chief Brad Keil, Captain Charles Foulke and Sergeants Steve Britt and Jeremy Geiszler are graduates of the FBI National Academy. Captain Noel Kakuske and Sergeants Troy Hellenbrand, Terry Hanson and Darrin Zimmerman are graduates of the Northwestern University School of Staff and Command. Sergeant Barry Reynolds is a graduate of the Wisconsin Executive Development Institute.

## Leadership in Police Organizations

Leadership in Police Organizations (LPO) is a three week course sponsored by the International Association of Chiefs of Police, developed by West Point Instructors, which teaches modern leadership and supervisory theories.

Sergeant Barry Reynolds graduated from the class in 2012 and was chosen to be one of seven regional instructors in the state. In March, Sergeant Reynolds attended a state certified Instructor Development Course and in June he graduated from the LPO Faculty Development Course and is currently working on his National Instructor Certification. Sergeant Reynolds was an LPO Instructor in classes held in Madison and Oshkosh during the year and is scheduled to teach several courses in 2014. Sergeant Reynolds is also an Adjunct Professor at the University of Phoenix in the Criminal Justice Department.

*Pictured at right is Sergeant Barry Reynolds (front row, center) with fellow LPO Instructors.*



In September, Sergeant Steve Brit graduated from the LPO program. Besides Sergeants Reynolds and Britt, Sergeants Hanson and Zimmerman are also LPO graduates.



Other management training received by Middleton Police supervisors: Wisconsin Police Leadership Foundation Conference, Accreditation Manager Training, Employment Practices Liability Training-ADA, Employee Differences and Performance Evaluations, School Crisis Preparedness Conference, Tactical Functional Training Instructor and Force Science Institute.

*Pictured at left is Sergeant Steve Britt receives his LPO diploma from Dave Zibloski from the Wisconsin Department of Justice.*

## Specialized Training

As part of the five year Strategic Plan developed in 2012, supervisors and officers meet at least annually to map the officers' career aspirations and chart out their training courses for the year, based upon that plan. The goal is for each officer to attend at least one specialized training course during the year. In 2013, Middleton Officers attended specialized courses totaling 3,180 hours.

## **In-Service Training**

As in years past, Middleton Police worked collaboratively with Sun Prairie and Fitchburg Police Departments in an in-service training consortium. Each officer attended four, eight hour training sessions. The training sessions consisted of 32 hours of firearms training. Officers must show proficiency in the use of the AR-15 rifle which is carried in all squads as well as their duty pistol, either a 9 millimeter or 40 caliber Glock. Each officer must qualify once a year with each weapon. In 2013, the Departments transitioned to the new Wisconsin Department of Justice qualification course for handguns.

Other in-service topics included: Taser recertification, less-lethal shotgun recertification, defense and arrest tactics, domestic violence/strangulation training, terrorism liaison training and rapid response to an active shooter.

The following staff members are on the Training Team:

- ◇ Coordinator: Foulke
- ◇ Firearms: Hellenbrand, Dixon, Kasdorf, Geiszler, O'Connor
- ◇ Rifle: Hellenbrand, Dixon, Kasdorf, Geiszler
- ◇ DAAT (Defensive And Arrest Tactics): Hellenbrand, Dixon, Kasdorf, Zimmerman
- ◇ EVOG (Emergency Vehicle Operations Course)/Vehicle Contacts: Britt, Moen
- ◇ Simmunition: Hellenbrand, Dixon, Kasdorf, Zimmerman, O'Connor, Geiszler
- ◇ ECD (Electronic Control Device): Dixon, Kasdorf, Hellenbrand
- ◇ Less Lethal: Dixon, O'Connor
- ◇ Rapid Deployment: Kasdorf, Dixon, O'Connor, Geiszler, Hellenbrand, Moen

## **Bus Accident Training Exercise**

During 2013, the Police Department worked with the School District, local emergency service providers and Dane County Emergency Management to plan a full scale mock bus accident. The exercise was designed to not only provide realistic training and practice for police, EMS and fire departments, but also to provide lifelike training for school personnel on handling such an event.

After numerous planning sessions, a “tabletop” exercise of a bus accident was held at the Police Department

in April. In August, a full scale exercise was held on Deming Way, using a school bus, City of Middleton dump truck, student and parent actors, school personnel and emergency service providers from numerous agencies. Many lessons were learned and taken back to the respective agencies.



## Wellness/Physical Fitness Initiatives



In 2013, the Middleton Police Department initiated a Wellness Committee comprised of members of the Department representing different work groups. The purpose of this Wellness Committee was to explore different methods of promoting a healthy lifestyle from nutrition habits, to exercising to mental health issues. The Wellness Committee has already explored different ways to get all police employees involved in some healthy habits including expanding the Department's physical fitness program to include all employees and not just sworn police officers, researching a healthy snack vending machine for the Police Department lobby, and organizing a 5k run in conjunction with the Annual Police Versus Fire Department

Charity Softball Game.

For the sixth year in a row, a number of sworn members of the Police Department participated in the Department's Annual Voluntary Physical Fitness Program. Sworn police officers who wish to participate had to pass fitness standards, once in the spring and once in the fall, to receive a set monetary reward. The test consists of a 1.5 mile run in less than 15:54; 300 meter run in less than 68 seconds; vertical jump of at least 15.5 inches; 25 sit-ups in less than one minute; and one bench press of 68% of body weight. Officers who passed the 2013 fitness testing included; Officer Nick Stroik, Officer Julie Normann, Officer Matthew Curran, Detective David Haselow, Officer Steven Ziegler, Officer Tyler Franks, Officer Jesse Sellek, Sgt. Darrin Zimmerman, Officer Jill Tutaj, Sgt. Jeremy Geiszler, Officer Richard O'Connor, Officer Michael Wood, Sgt. Steven Britt, Detective Travis Kakuske and Officer Scott Moen.

## 2013 Communication Center Phone Stats

Total Phone Calls	33,427
Incoming Non-emergency	21,635
Incoming 911 & Wireless 911	3,207
Incoming Tie Line	2,379
All outgoing calls	6,206
Busiest Day	June 19 173 calls
Slowest Day	January 25 9 calls
Busiest Hour of the Day	1:00pm
Slowest Hour of the Day	4:00am
Busiest Day of the Week	Tie: Tuesday & Friday
Monthly Averages	
Landline 9-1-1 Calls	128
Wireless 9-1-1 Calls	139
Non-Emergency Line	1,803
Tie Line	198
Ave. Monthly Total (inc. outgoing)	2,786
Ave. Monthly CFS	1567
Ratio of Phone Calls to CFS	1.8

# COMMUNITY AWARENESS PROGRAMS

## Jaycees Easter Egg Hunt

On March 23, Middleton Police participated in the Jaycee's Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Lakeview Park. This was an exciting event for all involved and the kids got a tour of a police car and were able to search for hundreds of eggs in the snow.



## Citizens Academy

In the Spring of 2013, the Middleton Police Department hosted a Citizens Academy. The purpose of the Citizens Academy is to familiarize members of the community with the Middleton Police Department in ten weeks of instruction in many of the same areas where officers receive training. Students of the Citizens Academy received training in traffic law, crime scene investigation, defensive and arrest tactics, emergency vehicle operation, emergency medical response, firearms, fire department response, and gang and drug enforcement as well as other basic police procedures.





### **Walk a Mile Event**

On May 4, Middleton Police Officers, Team "Shields in Heels," participated in the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event in downtown Madison to raise awareness of domestic abuse. Pictured left to right are: Paramedic Jennifer Hort, Officer Dave Kasdorf, Officer Julie Normann, Chief Brad Keil and Captain Chuck Foulke.

### **Bike Rodeo**

Officer Tom Wilson hosted a bike rodeo at Northside Elementary school in May. The whole school came out to participate in bike safety.



### **Law Enforcement Torch Run for the Special Olympics**

On June 6, Middleton Police Officers participated in the final leg of the Special Olympics Torch Run. Law enforcement carried the Flame of Hope and raised money for the Special Olympics.



Pictured left to right are Waunakee Officer Dustin Lybeck, Middleton Detective Travis Kakuske, Officer Ken Smith, Officer Jill Tutaj, Sergeant Darrin Zimmerman, Dispatcher Tim Hoeksema, Officer Steve Ziegler, Officer Scott Moen and Officer Mike Wood.

### **Hero Summer Camp**

In July, Middleton Police went to KEVA for their Hero Summer Camp. Kids from the camp learned about police work and were given a tour of a police car.



### **EAA Pancake Breakfast**

In July, Middleton Police attended the annual fundraiser at the Morey Field Airport.



### **Safe Harbor Child Advocacy Center**

On Saturday, August 17, Officer Jesse Sellek and other local motorcycle officers kicked off the 10th Annual Ron Boylan Memorial Ride to benefit the Safe Harbor Child Advocacy Center.



### **4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade**

Officer Dixon lead the neighborhood 4th of July Parade for the Northlake Neighborhood. Officers assisted with several neighborhood parades for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.



### **Charity Softball Game**

On August 10, the Middleton Police Department played against the Middleton Fire Department in the 2nd Annual Battle of the Badges Charity Softball Game to raise awareness of childhood cancer. Emergency responders raised almost \$3,000.00 in the 2nd Annual Battle of the Badges for five-year old Cole Truitt.



### **National Night Out**

On August 7, Middleton Police, Spring Window Fashions and members of Middleton Fire Company #1, hosted the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out at Lakeview Park. Hundreds of people came to this event and enjoyed dinner, prizes, games and contact with public safety workers.



### Middleton United Way Day of Caring

On August 23, Officer Jill Tutaj attended the Middleton Days of Caring and helped kids learn how to catch fish at Lakeview Community Park. Officer Sellek was also there and showed off the Police Department motorcycle.



### Family Safety Day

On September 14, the Middleton Police, the Middleton Fire Department and West Bend Mutual Insurance sponsored the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Safety Day at the Middleton Fire and EMS Stations. Families were able to get their car seats checked and watch several safety presentations by local companies.



### The Brittany Run

Officer Mike Wood, Dispatcher Tim Hoeksema, Officer Julie Normann, Detective Travis Kakuske and Officer Matt Curran participated in the Brittany Run 5K, an event sponsored by Madison Area Crime Stoppers to remember Brittany Zimmerman, Kelly Nolan & other victims of crime in our area.

### Halloween Safety at Little Red



Middleton Police gave a presentation on Halloween Safety and a tour of a police car in October at Little Red Preschool.

On October 25, Middleton officers attended Middleton's Downtown Business Association's 4th Annual Trick or Treating event. Below is Officer Jill Tutaj with Tesia, one of the winners in our "Trick or Tweet" Halloween photo contest. Tesia won a ride to school in a police car and lunch with Officer Tutaj.



### Reach-A-Child

Also in October, officers received a donation of children's books from Reach-a-Child. Reach-a-Child is a non-profit organization whose mission is to "put a smile on the face of a child in need," such as children who are in hospitals, victims of domestic disturbance or automobile accidents or are temporarily homeless. Reach-a-Child helps first responders engage these children in a positive way through the power of a book.



### Justice for a Cure

In October, Officer Jill Tutaj participated with hundreds of other local public safety officials in "Justice for a Cure" at the State Capitol.



**Operation Toy Drive**

On November 6, Middleton Police and other local law enforcement joined 96.3 Star Country for Operation Toy Drive 2013. Star Country teamed up with Anchor Bank, Blain's Farm & Fleet and Two Men & A Truck to help collect toys and make a difference in the lives of children all across South-Central Wisconsin with Operation Toy Drive.



**Fundraiser at Culvers**

On November 26, Middleton Police Officers delivered food to customers at Culvers. Culvers donated a portion of the sales of the Day to the Community Awareness Fund.



**Shop with a Cop**

On December 8, Middleton Police along with several other Dane County agencies donated their time to take nine Middleton kids shopping for their families. This event was held at Target East. This event was made possible by donated funds to the Community Awareness Fund.



**Sub for Santa**

Employees of the Middleton Police Department adopted a local family for the 'Sub for Santa' program. Police Department employees partner with Family Service Madison to identify an area family in need and volunteer to purchase gifts for the family members.



**G.R.E.A.T. Graduation**



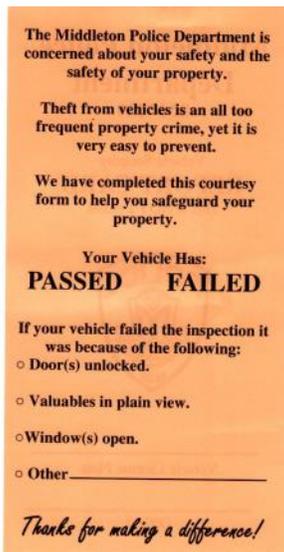
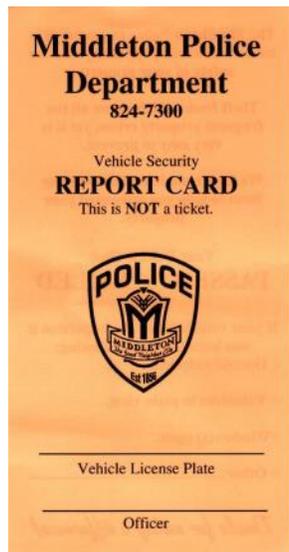
On December 17, School Resource Officer Tom Wilson held the annual 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Gang Resistance Education and Training Graduation party at E.G. Kromrey Middle School. VIPS helped out at the event serving pizza, soda and cookies.

**VIPS Volunteers in Police Service**

The Middleton Police Department has over 40 active volunteers. The Volunteers assist the Middleton Police Department with fundraising, special events, parades, Safe Assured ID and more. Members of the VIPS serve on the Middleton Community Police Partnership (MICOPP) board.



**Crime Prevention Notices**



To help promote safety in the Middleton community, Middleton Police will issue Crime Prevention Notices to a residence or a business to inform them of potential crime risks. Officers will also do this for vehicles. Middleton Police have a bright orange report card that will be placed on a vehicle grading it on a pass/fail scale on whether the vehicle is locked and if valuables are left in plain view.



### **Speed Watch**

Volunteers in Police Service members are trained in the use of portable radar units. VIPs monitor traffic at numerous locations in the city, recording vehicle speeds.



### **Middleton Business Watch Partnership**

The Middleton Business Watch has over 300 members. The Middleton Business Watch is used to alert local businesses about criminal activity which could potentially affect your business.

### **Pedestrian Flag Crossings**

The Middleton Police Department has partnered with Safe Communities to provide orange pedestrian flags at dangerous crossings. These flags are tools that pedestrians can use to signal motorists of their intention to cross the street.



### **Crime Prevention Surveys**

The Middleton Police Department takes requests for Crime Prevention Surveys for businesses and residents. A police officer will conduct a physical survey on request and will make suggestions and provide a report on how to minimize criminal opportunity.



### **Safe Assured ID**

The Middleton Police Department has a digital identification system that was purchased with funds donated from American Girl and the Mattel Toy Store. This system can be used for children, adult and seniors. The Middleton Police will take reservations for having kits made. Kits are free for Middleton residents or

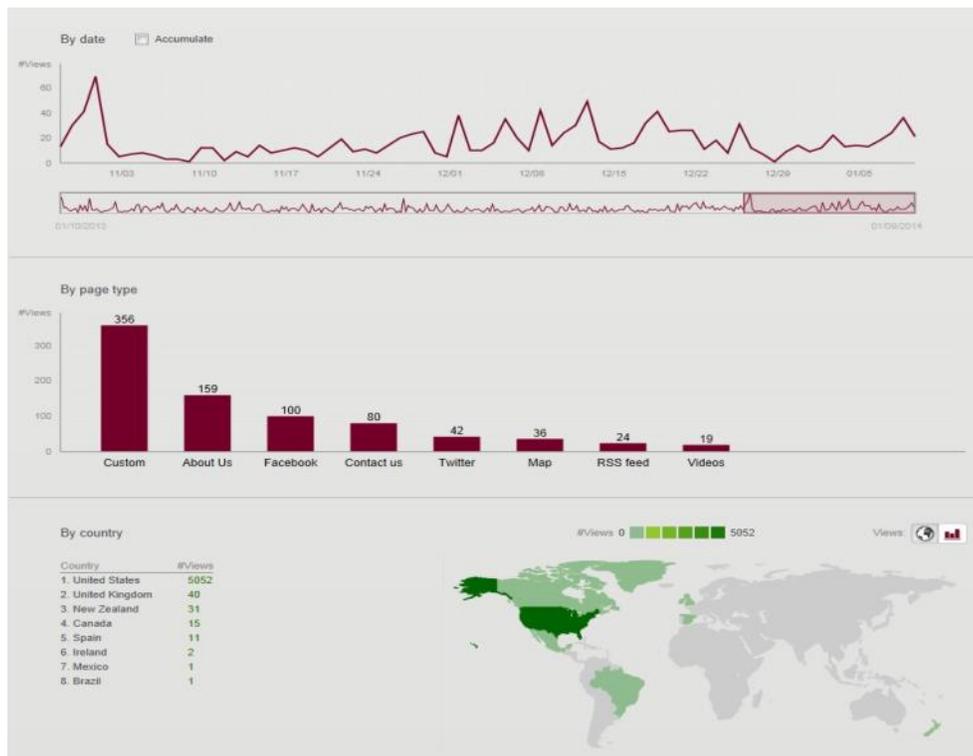
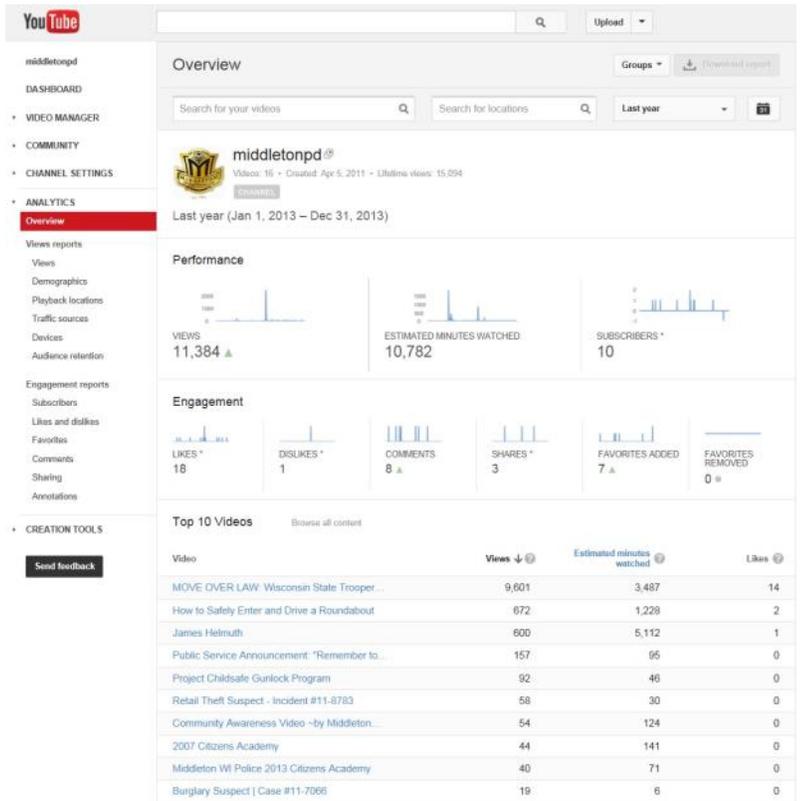
MCPASD students. Families will receive a full-color photo data card and a Parents' Guidebook with prevention tips. It records a digital record of picture, video and audio all on a secure mini





Our YouTube channel has been used to share surveillance videos from unsolved crimes, traffic safety tips and other public service announcements, as well as media videos related to our area and videos of other local public safety agencies. The videos posted to our YouTube channel have been viewed over 11,384 times over the past year; a 318% increase over last year. Videos have been viewed by people in the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Saudi Arabia and Thailand.

Our free smart phone app, [MIPD Mobile](#), launched in 2012, provides mobile device users quick access to submit crime tips, view crime reports, download forms and more. Over the past year, our mobile app has been used 5,133 times by 2,677 mobile users in the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand, Ireland, Mexico and Brazil. This is a 26% increase in use over last year.



The Department also utilizes email and text message alerts to send out crime alerts, traffic alerts, press releases and monthly reports. Anyone can sign up for this free service, called "Notify Me" by clicking on the "Sign Up Now" button on our website.





On November 1, 2013, we joined 365 law enforcement agencies across the world in the second worldwide police Tweet-a-Thon (#polwtw). This was the third time we had done this type of “virtual ride-along” and our goal was to increase awareness of our use of social media and give citizens a behind-the-scenes look at daily activity of the Police Department.

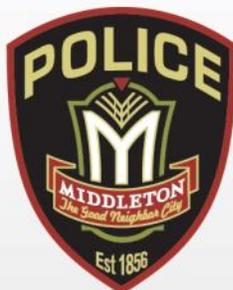
During our 8-hour tweet-along from 3:00 PM – 11:00 PM, we sent out 29 tweets/posts on Twitter and Facebook each, which reached 8,375 people and engaged 273 people by means of likes, comments, shares and re-tweets. We increased our Twitter followers by 16 and Facebook followers by 23.



# Now taking your texts!

Go ahead, give it a try:

(608) 824-7300



In September 2013, the Police Department teamed up with [Zipwhip](#), the world’s first text message carrier, to text-enable our regular non-emergency phone number. This is a cloud-based service that allows citizens to send a text message to the police dispatcher at 608-824-7300, the same familiar number that has been used for non-emergency calls and general questions.

At the time of the [press release](#), we were told that we were the first law enforcement agency in the nation to provide this type of service to our citizens.

Since launching the text message service, we have received almost 300 text messages and sent over 250 messages. Some of the benefits of offering text messaging include:

- Fewer phone calls for questions (ie, power outages, parade times, ordinance questions, etc.)
  - Shorter on-hold time for callers
  - Increased citizen engagement
  - Safe, silent way for citizens to report suspicious activities
- Ability to quickly send group messages to Department staff in the event of a major incident

Through continued positive interactions with community members, such as offering text messaging and Tweet-Alongs a couple of times a year, our social media program has increased awareness of what the Police Department does and what services we offer. Social media has also allowed us to continue to expand globally, as evidenced by the statistics above showing who we have reached across numerous cities, states and countries around the world.

# 2013 AWARDS CEREMONY

The Police Department holds their Annual Awards Ceremony at the beginning of a City Council meeting which is scheduled during National Police Week. In 2013, the ceremony was held on May 7. The following employees and citizens were recognized:

## OUTSTANDING SERVICE COMMENDATION

*“To be awarded to employees in recognition for the sustained delivery of a high level of performance.”*

A Police Officer spends the majority of their day in their squad car. The interior and exterior design of the car is extremely important to those officers as it is their office. The care and maintenance of those vehicles is paramount in ensuring the safety of an officer, particularly during an emergency response. Our first two award recipients are responsible for this important duty.

### **Police Officer Jeff Winer:**

Officer Winer has been employed by the Middleton Police Department since 1982 and is currently assigned to dayshift patrol. Jeff performs all of the duties of a police officer in a superb manner and is well respected within the Department and in the community. Jeff makes traffic safety a priority in his daily patrol routine and consistently leads his shift in the number of traffic citations issued and calls for service that he takes.



For many years, Jeff has been in charge of the Police Department's fleet. The Police Department has over 20 vehicles and through the years the equipment in the squads has become more advanced and sophisticated. We have gone from 2-way radios and hand held radar units to digital radio units with hundreds of channels, front and back mounted radar units, automatic digital license plate readers, exterior and interior squad videos, digital dictation equipment, laptop computers capable of receiving calls from Dispatch and wireless data downloads that allow us to access information from our records management system as well as local, county, state and federal data bases and the full resources of the internet to aid in investigations.

Someone needs to keep up to date on the advancing technology in this field, make recommendations on equipment and keep everything running. Jeff and his colleague at the City Garage, Brian Gebhard, keep the Middleton Police Department's fleet up to date, working and the envy of other police departments.

### **City Mechanic Brian Gebhard:**

Brian manages and maintains not only the Police Department's fleet but also the entire City fleet. You can imagine how busy he was during this last snow plowing season. Brian works closely with Officer Winer on recommendations for equipment in squad cars. Recently, the Police Department changed vehicles, from the old Ford Crown Victoria's to Ford SUV's and Taurus'. The change in vehicles resulted in significant work for Brian as he had to re-design the interior of the squad to house equipment in a comfortable, convenient and safe way for the officers.

Brian is described by officers as hard working, friendly and incredibly accommodating to our every request.

### **Officer Kathleen Riffenburg:**

Ten year old James Helmuth was diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer. Kathleen met him through her son, Micah. James loved all things police related and he and Kathleen formed a special bond. Kathleen was able to get James rides in squad cars and arranged to get him a police uniform. Kathleen arranged for James to go to the Dane County Range with officers and introduced him to members of the Dane County SWAT Team who let him participate in some of their training. Kathleen organized a softball game fundraiser for childhood cancer between the police and firefighters and James scored the winning run for the Police Department.



James lost his battle with cancer this spring. There was a huge outpouring from the community at his funeral. Kathleen flawlessly and eloquently spoke at his service, sharing better than any of us could, her feelings towards James and the profound positive effect he had on our Department, public safety members and our community.

It seems like such a short time ago that Kathleen Riffenburg brought James Helmuth into our lives and now he's gone. We hope she enriched James' last months with us, we know that through their actions, both James and Kathleen enriched our lives.

Thank you Kathleen for reminding us of the importance of serving others.

### **LIFE SAVING AWARD**

***"To be awarded to any employee whose action(s) directly contributed to saving or significantly prolonging a human life."***



### **Officer David Kasdorf:**

On September 23, 2012, at 8:56 AM, the Middleton Police Department received a report of a pulseless and non-breathing male in a vehicle in the 6500 block of Century Avenue. Officer Kasdorf responded and upon arrival determined that the victim had suffered an overdose of heroin and was not breathing. His companion was administering rescue breathing and the man appeared to be lifeless. Officer Kasdorf retrieved his pocket valve mask from his squad and took over rescue breathing. He determined that the patient did have a pulse and he maintained rescue breathing for the patient until paramedics arrived at the scene.

Upon the arrival of paramedics, Officer Kasdorf continued to assist by providing rescue breathing while the paramedics assessed the patient and administered two doses of Narcan.

The victim was then revived and eventually fully recovered. Officer Kasdorf's quick, decisive actions, directly contributed to the saving of a human life.

**Officer Jerry Raffel:**

On October 8, 2012, at 12:41 PM, Officer Raffel responded to the 2600 block of Branch Street with Middleton EMS for the report of a 50 year old male with difficulty breathing and slurred speech. Upon their arrival, Officer Raffel and Middleton paramedics identified and began interviewing the patient. During this initial interview, the patient became increasingly disorientated and suddenly became unconscious. His condition deteriorated rapidly and, within less than ten minutes of Officer Raffel’s arrival, he was not breathing and was without a pulse.

Officer Raffel and Middleton paramedics immediately began CPR. Officer Raffel performed chest compressions as he simultaneously radioed for additional assistance. Middleton paramedics intubated the patient and began intravenously administering medications.

The lifesaving efforts of Officer Raffel and the Middleton paramedics brought the patient back to life. Prior to his being transported to an area hospital, he was breathing on his own and had established a steady heart rhythm.



Officer Raffel’s quick, decisive actions, directly contributed to the saving of a human life.

**SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARIES**

10 years: **Sergeant Jeremy Geiszler and SRO Thomas Wilson**

15 years: **Detective David Haselow, Officer Richard O’Connor and Dispatch Supervisor Wendy McKnight**

30 years: **Officer Jeffrey Winer**

**MIDDLETON GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD**

*“This is an annual community award to recognize citizens or volunteers in the City of Middleton area who have made a significant contribution to the law enforcement field”.*

**Tom Wohlleber, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services for the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District:**



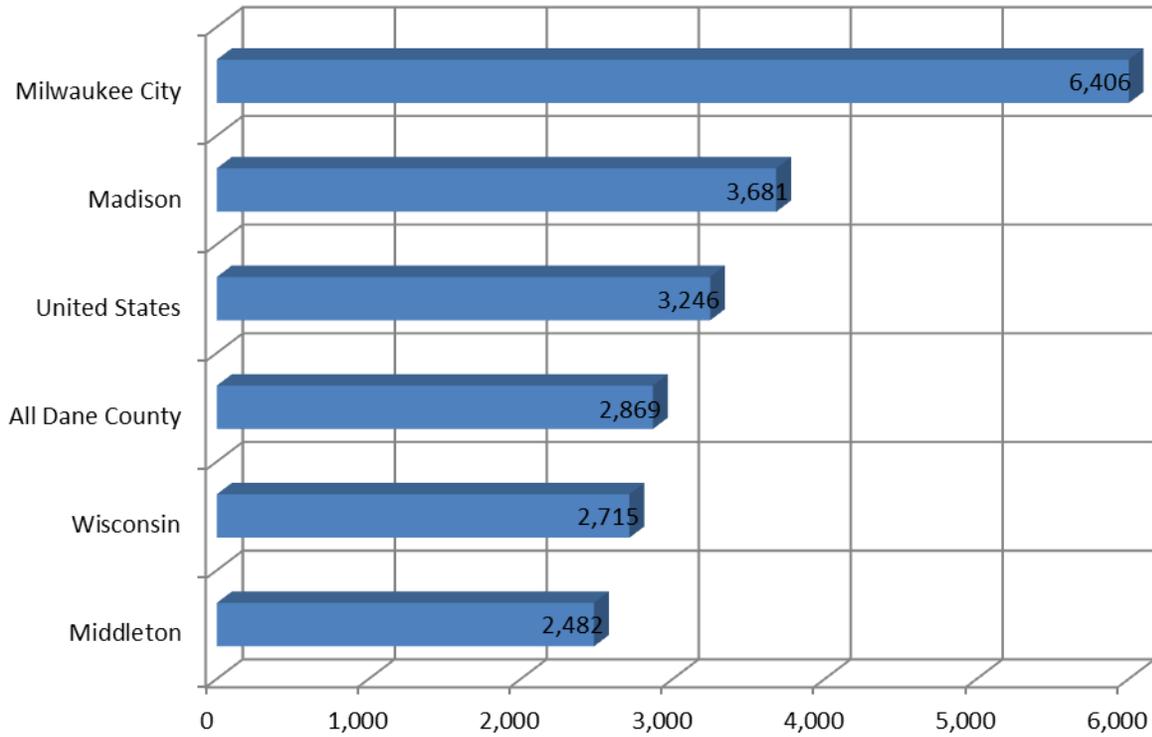
Assistant Superintendent Tom Wohlleber wears many hats for our school district. One of the most important roles, and one that allows him to work closely with the Middleton Police Department, is his role as the School Safety Coordinator. Tom has been a tireless advocate of safe schools by architectural design and physical security upgrades, staff training, threat assessment and collaborating with the many public safety agencies that provide services to the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District.

Some of Tom’s many accomplishments include secured entrances to the schools, cameras, working with the Secret Service and Homeland Security on threat and vulnerability evaluation, staff training and several years of table top exercises involving Situational Response Teams from all schools as well as public safety responders from Middleton, Cross Plains and Dane County. Planning is currently underway for a full scale exercise this summer involving a bus accident, testing not only first responders’ actions, but also school district responses in uniting students with their parents.

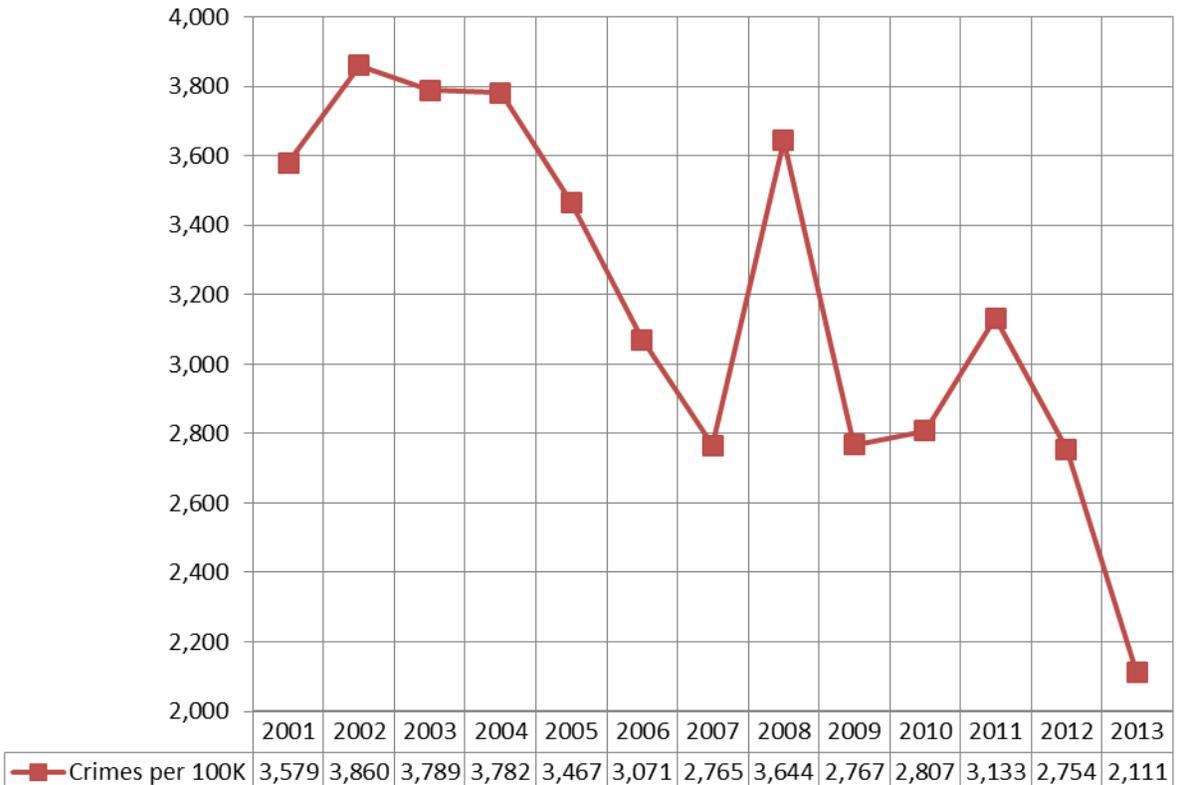
Under his leadership, the School Safety Planning Team, which includes members from the school and area public safety practitioners, are tackling issues such as emergency response procedures before and after school, passing times, lunch times and at athletic events, active shooter response, additional training drills and threat assessments. Long before Sandy Hook, the school district and public safety have been working collaboratively to better ensure the safety of our students.

## Total Crime Rate

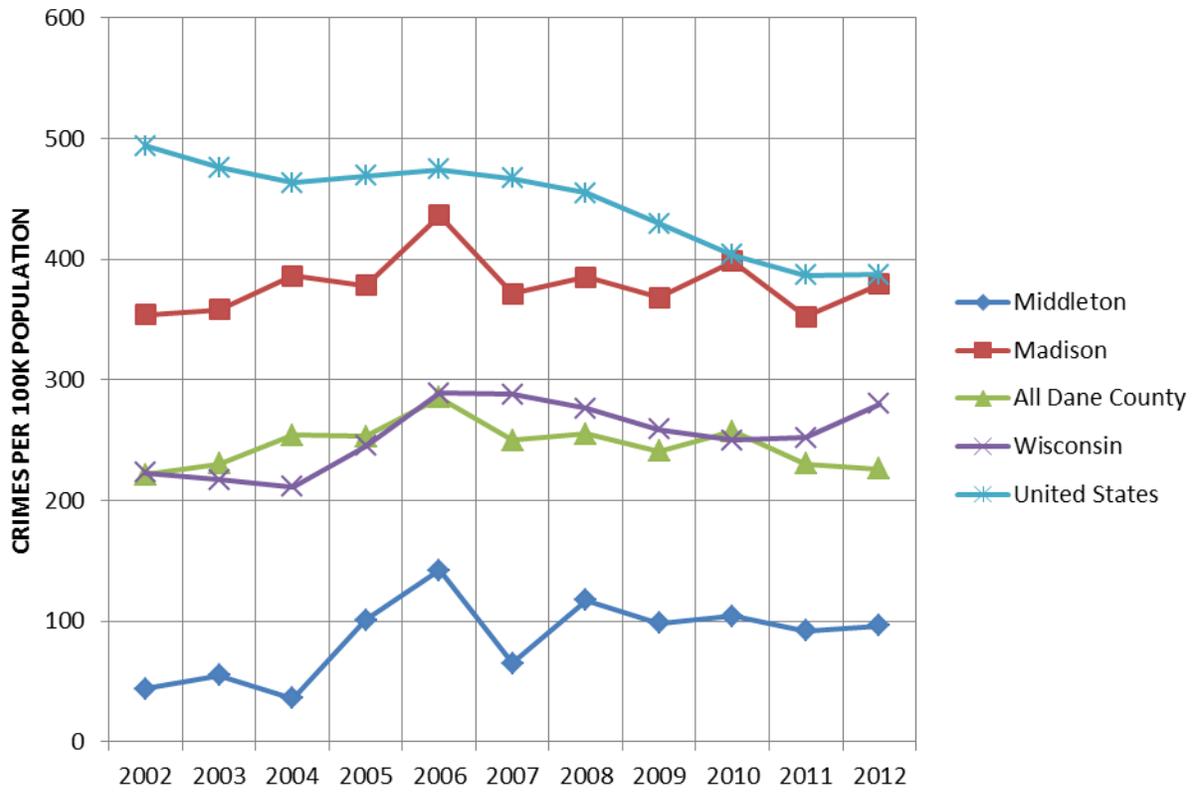
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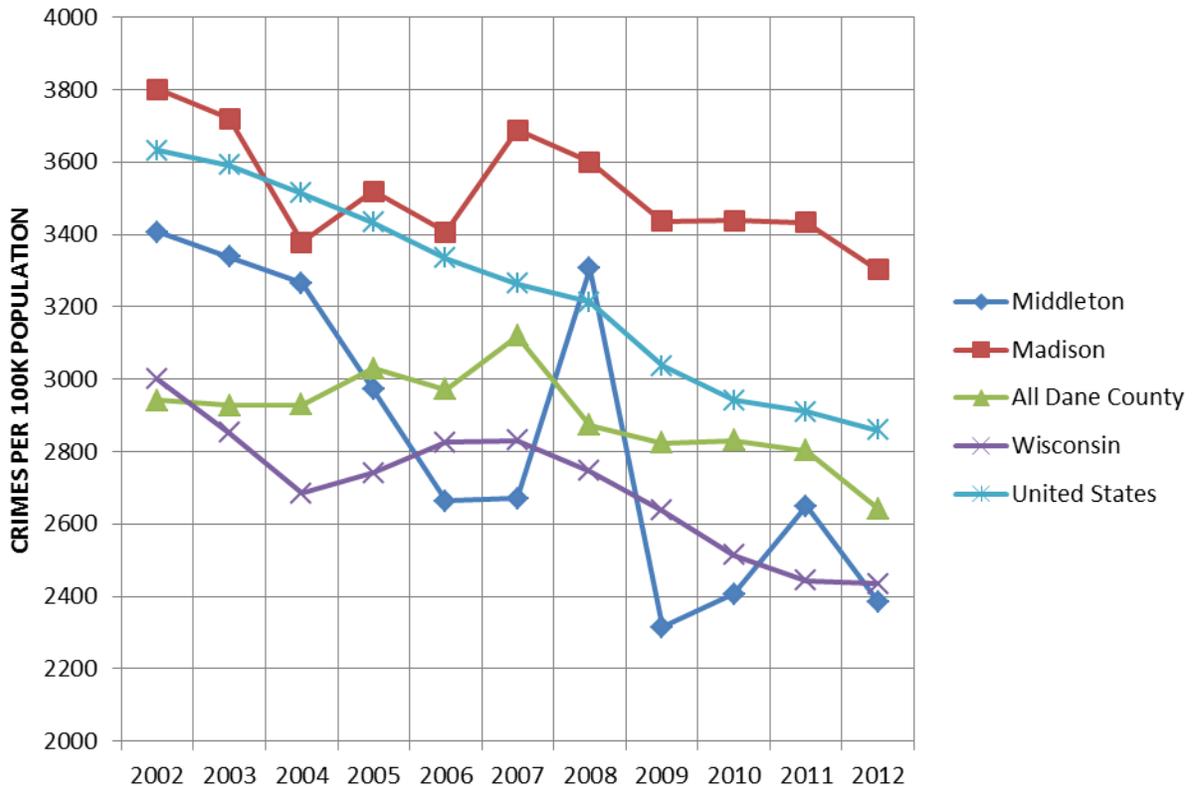
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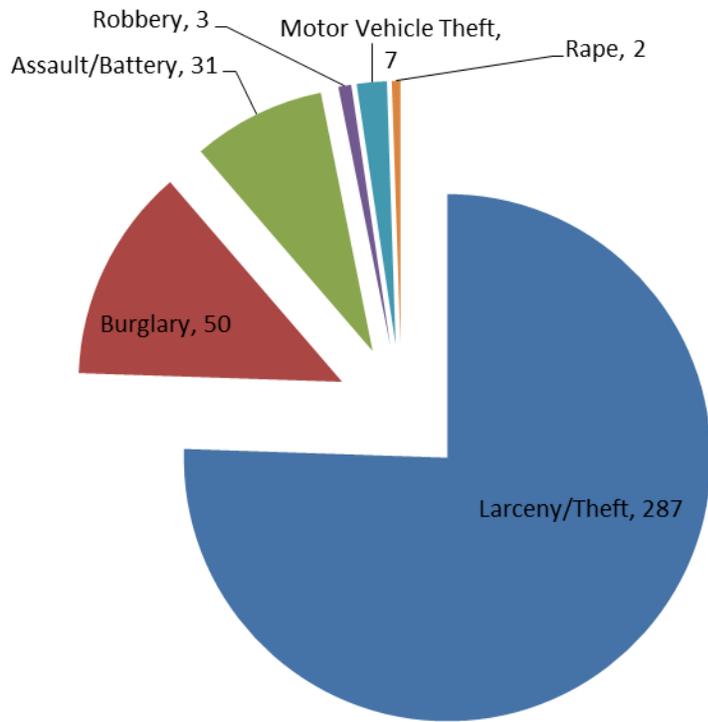
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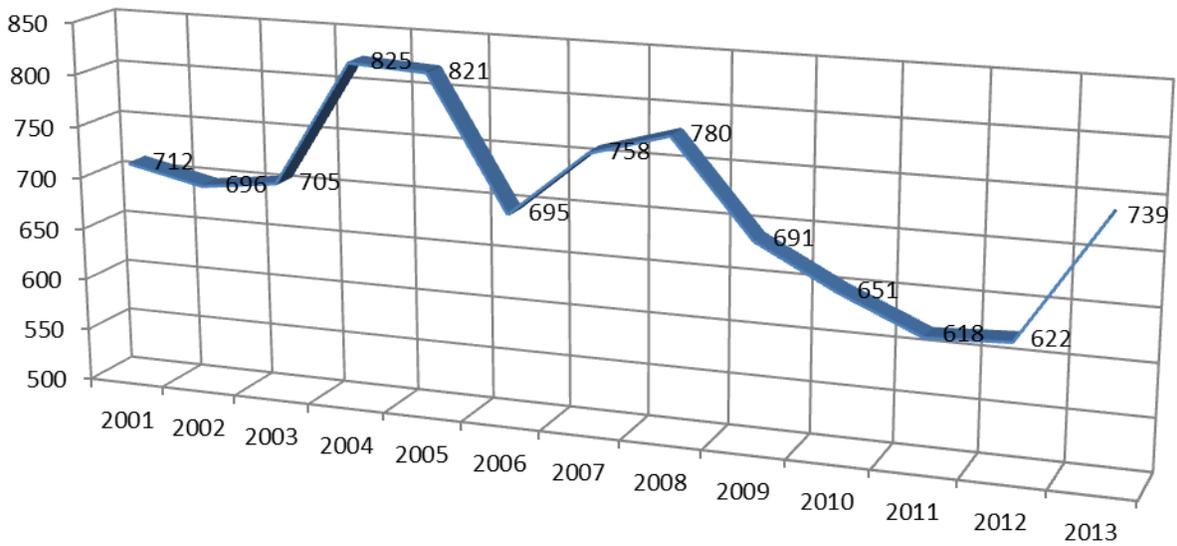
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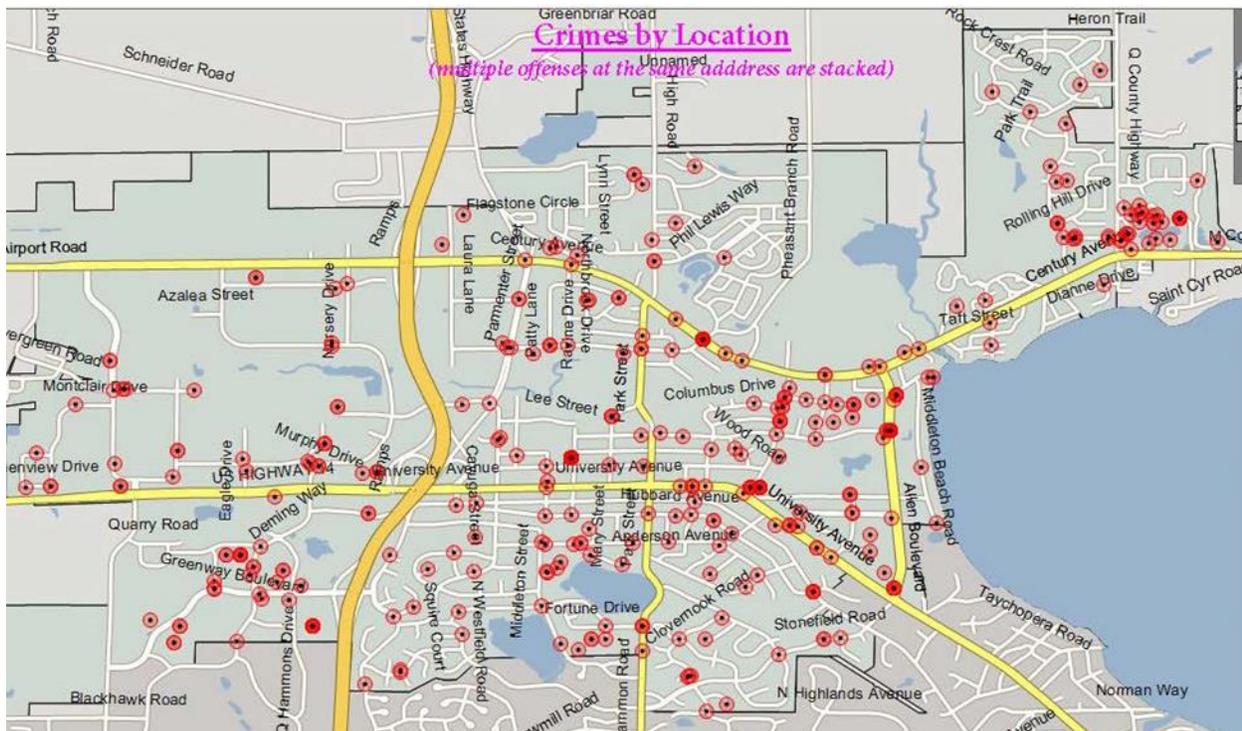
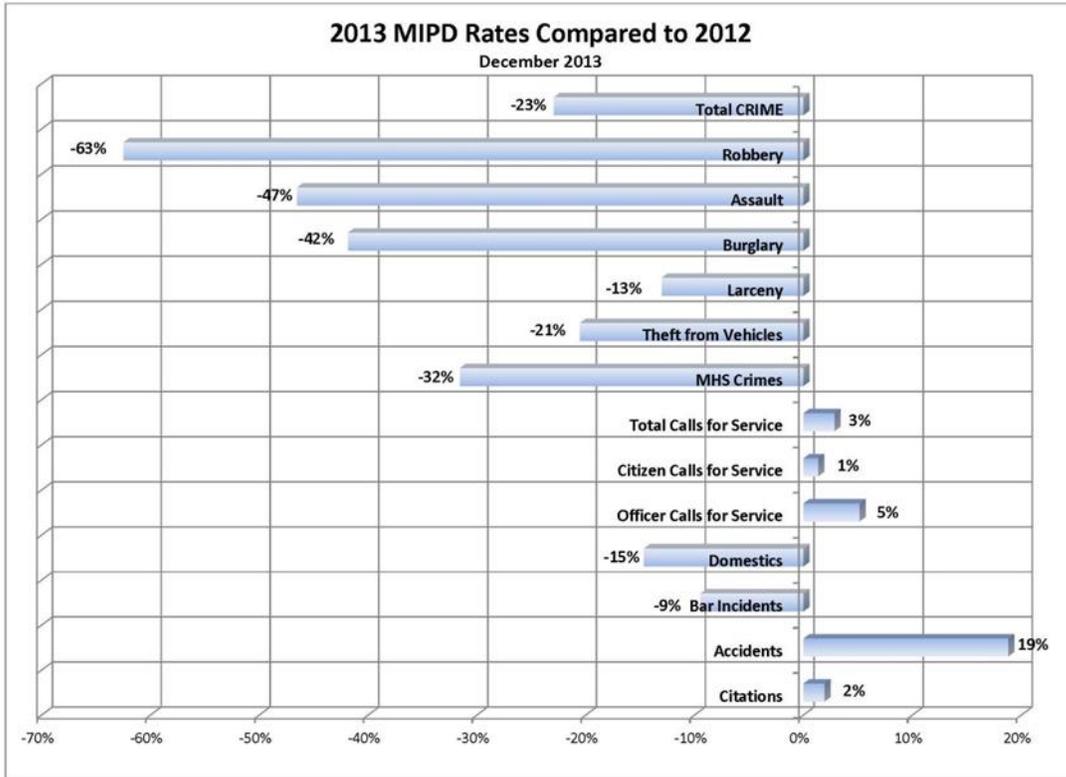


## CRIME BY TYPE



## TRAFFIC CRASHES



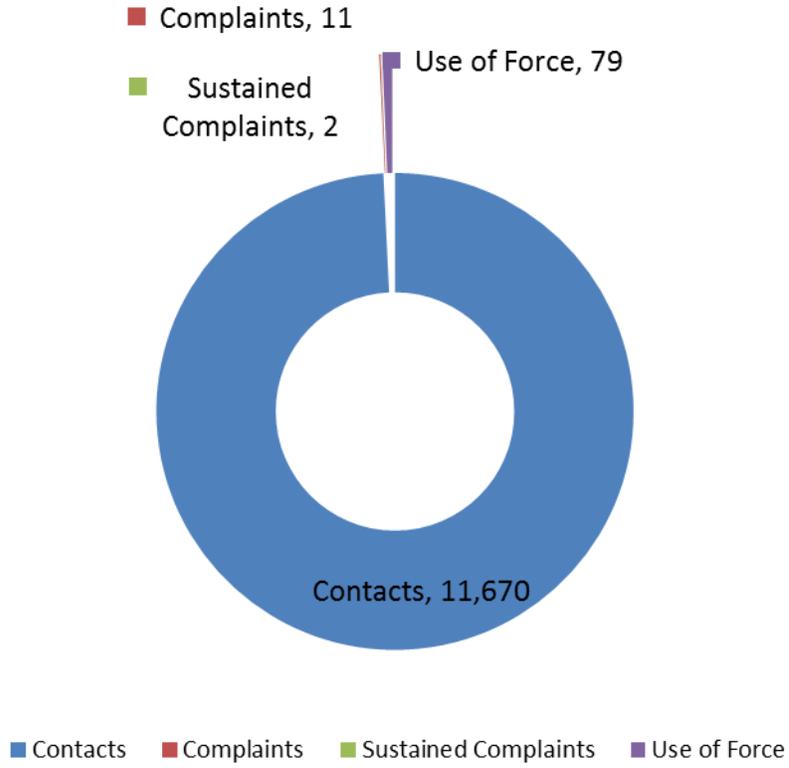


ANNUAL COMPARISONS								
Category	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	Average
Total Crimes	380	493	550	482	471	618	469	495
Personal Crimes	36	69	85	63	94	82	36	72
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	2	3	2	3	3	3	1	2
Robbery	3	8	6	10	8	4	4	6
Assault	31	58	77	51	83	75	31	58
Property Crimes	344	424	465	419	377	536	433	428
Burglary	50	86	73	60	59	89	49	67
Larceny/Theft	287	330	381	347	308	431	327	344
Motor Vehicle Theft	7	8	11	11	10	16	17	11
Clearance Rate	28%	36%	33%	36%	38%	32%	29%	0
Value of Property Stolen	\$374,801	\$512,652	\$519,309	\$331,776	\$286,780	\$338,875	\$361,436	\$389,376
Value of Property Recovered	\$110,601	\$85,182	\$81,931	\$124,108	\$105,694	\$150,759	\$151,337	\$115,659
% of Property Recovered	30%	17%	16%	37%	37%	44%	42%	0
Incidents	8,554	8,514	8,835	9,244	9,455	8,455	8,584	8,806
Calls for Service	18,803	18,281	19,229	19,226	20,404	19,195	18,502	19,091
Accidents (TRACS)	498	416	383	375	391	473	427	423
Warnings	1,161	1,151	1,878	2,022	1,872	1,771	1,748	1,658
Citations	5,428	5,235	6,001	5,879	6,154	4,820	5,440	5,565
Criminal Arrests & Charges	465	622	619	640	736	700	607	627

In 2013, Middleton Police Department Officers filed 465 criminal charges, issued 5,428 citations, 1,161 written warnings, 1,983 parking tickets and wrote 8,554 police reports, all stemming from 18,803 calls for service. During the course of the year, officers had documented contact with 11,670 different individuals, some on multiple occasions. Officers used force 79 times including Escort Techniques (6), Compliance Holds (10), Decentralizations (23), Vertical Stun (2), Punched/Knead (2), Kicked (1), Conducted Energy Weapon (10), Firearm displayed (21), Firearm Discharged – Animal (4), Firearm Discharged – Person (0). Eighty-three actions were reviewed by supervisors, and twelve by the Critical Incident Review Board. All were found to be within policy. Officer involved shootings and serious officer involved accidents, of which there were none this year, are investigated by outside agencies and internally.

The Department received 11 formal and informal complaints against employees in 2013 for Communications (2), Conduct (1), Use of Force (4), Procedures (3), and Disparate Treatment (1). After investigation, eight of the complaints were determined to be unfounded, employees were exonerated in one case, and in two cases the complaints were sustained.

# Contacts Complaints & Force



## CITIZEN CALLS FOR SERVICE BY HOUR

