

**MIDDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY REPORT**



JULY 2015

CRIME PREVENTION/COMMUNITY RELATIONS **ACTIVITIES**

Community Events

On July 12, a Middleton Police Officer and vehicle participated in the EAA Pancake Breakfast at Morey Field.

On July 18, Middleton Police and volunteers from the VIPS program promoted the Safe Assured ID program at the Mattel Store and provided several kids and family with Safe Assured ID.

On July 21, Middleton Police went to the Middleton Library and read books to kids and also gave a tour of the police car.

On July 22, Middleton Police gave a presentation to a driver's education class about rules of the road.

On July 23, Middleton Police gave kids from the recreation camp a tour of the Police Department.

During the month of July, Middleton Police conducted several Safe Assured ID kits at the Middleton Police Department.

Also in July, several car seat checks/installations were completed at the Middleton Police Department and at other various departments by Middleton Police.

If you would like more information or would like to involve the Police Department in a community presentation or event, please contact Community Awareness Officer Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.



If you would like to join the Middleton Business Watch or need to update your contact information, please contact Community Awareness Officer Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.

Citizens can subscribe to receive Middleton Business Watch email alerts and other informational emails on the Police Department's website at middletonpd.com.



Citizens' Academy

The next academy will start in April of 2016 and class size is limited to 12 students.

If you live or work in Middleton and are interested in attending a future academy, please contact Community Awareness Officer Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.



VIPS assist the Middleton Police Department by performing tasks which free up officers to work on more important police matters. VIPS help at events like GNF (Good Neighbor Festival), National Night Out and Family Safety Day and with programs like Speed Watch and Safe Assured IDs.

Junior VIPS are teens age 14 to 17 years old. We also have an Associate VIPS program where family members of VIPS and civic groups can assist VIPS with events without having to become individual VIPS members.

If you are interested in the Middleton Police Department VIPS program please contact Community Awareness Officer Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.



Safe Assured ID Kits

Middleton Police will take reservations for having kits made. Kits are free for Middleton residents or MCPASD students.

If you would like to register, have the ID system at an event or if you would like to donate money for the purchase of more kits, please contact Community Awareness Officer Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.

Community Awareness Fund

Middleton Community Awareness Programs such as GREAT, Speed Watch, National Night Out, Citizens' Academy, Bike Safety Day, NSI Family Safety Day and Shop with a Cop are funded almost entirely from community donations. **We need your help!**

If you would like to donate money to the Community Awareness Fund, please send a check or money order to “**Middleton Community Police Partnership Inc.**” or “**MICOPP Inc.**”, 7341 Donna Drive, Middleton, WI 53562.

Together we can make a difference. If you have any questions about donations or programs please contact CAO Jill Tutaj at 824-7323 or jtutaj@ci.middleton.wi.us.

OPERATIONS DIVISION

Calls for Service

In June, Middleton Officers handled 1,886 calls for service, 809 were field initiated, 1,077 were dispatched, issued 321 citations and 323 written warnings, made 32 criminal arrests and investigated 37 accidents.

In July, Middleton Officers handled 1,866 calls for service, 761 were field initiated, 1,105 were dispatched, issued 390 citations and 300 written warnings, made 28 criminal arrests and investigated 40 accidents.

Significant Events in July:

MI15-5304, Tanner's Bar & Grill, 1611 Deming Way, Attempted Burglary

On 07-01-15, at 4:06 AM, Middleton Police received the report of a burglary alarm being activated at Tanner's Bar & Grill. Officers located three juvenile suspects who had attempted to gain entry to the business through a roof vent. All three suspects were arrested and charged with Criminal Trespass.

MI15-5307, Lakeview Park, 6300 Mendota Avenue, Criminal Damage to Property

On 07-01-15, at 8:03 AM, Middleton Officers responded to the report of damage to this City of Middleton Park. Officers documented the clogging of several toilets, the flooding of the shelter and the spreading of food around the walls and mirrors in the building.

MI15-5294, Veterinary Emergency Services, 1612 North High Point Road, Theft

On 07-01-15, Middleton Officers took the report of an employee theft of cash from the Vet Clinic. This investigation resulted in the arrest of a 17 year old employee.

MI15-5332, 2000 block of Lakeview Avenue, Domestic Disturbance

On 07-01-15, at 7:00 PM, Middleton Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in a vehicle. The complainant stated that the male suspect appeared to have struck a child and was currently on top of a female and about to strike her. As a result of this investigation, a 29 year Middleton man was arrested for Domestic Disorderly Conduct and Felony Abuse of a Child.

MI15-5407, Private Apartment, 3500 Salerno Court, Domestic Disturbance

On 07-04-15, at 4:13 PM, Middleton Officers responded to the report of a verbal domestic dispute at an apartment within the Arbor Lakes Apartment Complex. This investigation resulted in the arrest of a 20 year old Middleton man for two counts of Domestic Disorderly Conduct.

MI15-5419, Private Apartment, 1300 North Gammon Road, Domestic Disturbance

On 07-04-15, at 4:13 PM, Middleton Officers responded to the report of a domestic battery that occurred within an apartment at the Lagoon Apartment Complex. This investigation resulted in the arrest of a 56 year old Middleton man for Domestic Battery, Disorderly Conduct and False Imprisonment.

MI15-5609, Subway Restaurant, 2522 Allen Boulevard, Battery

On 07-10-15, at 9:10 AM, Middleton Officers responded to the Subway restaurant on the report of a physical altercation taking place within the store. It was eventually determined that both the victim and suspect worked together at Cocina Real. As a result of this investigation, a 45 year old Middleton man was arrested for Battery.

MI15-5628, Lakeview Park, 6300 Mendota Avenue, Uniformed Controlled Substance

On 07-10-15, at 11:43 PM, Middleton Officers were performing a security check at Lakeview Park when they observed a vehicle in the parking lot after hours of closing. This investigation resulted in the two occupants of the vehicle being cited for Curfew Violations and Possession of Marijuana.

MI15-5806, Parisi Park, 2405 Park Street, Uniformed Controlled Substance

On 07-15-15, at 11:20 PM, Middleton Officers were performing a security check at Parisi Park when they observed two male subjects in the park after hours of closing. This investigation resulted in the two juvenile suspects being cited for Curfew Violations and Possession of Marijuana.

MI15-5819, Private Apartment, 5300 Century Avenue, Stolen Motor Vehicle

On 07-16-15, at approximately 8:00 AM, Middleton Police were investigating a string of theft from automobile cases on the east side of the City when they located an abandoned vehicle that had been stolen out of the City of Verona. A short time later, officers received the report of a stolen vehicle from the Overlook Pass Apartment Complex. This

vehicle was recovered later that same morning as it was abandoned on Aster Court in the City of Madison. No arrests have yet been made in this case.

MI15-5875, McDonald's Restaurant, 8308 Greenway Boulevard, Fraud

On 07-18-15, Middleton Police took the report of a fraud at the McDonald's restaurant. The suspect came into the store on the previous day and stated that he wished to purchase \$10,000.00 in McDonald gift cards to be later given away to the needy. The suspect used a stolen credit card to make this purchase. Further investigation revealed that a similar fraud had occurred earlier in the same week when \$9,000.00 worth of gift cards were purchased with a fraudulent credit card at the Odana Road McDonald's. This case is currently under investigation by Middleton Police Detectives.

MI15-6021, Quaker Steak and Lube, 2259 Deming Way, Battery

On 07-22-15, at 11:41 PM, Middleton Officers responded to Saint Mary's Hospital on the report of a battery that had occurred earlier that evening. After a lengthy investigation, it was determined that two intoxicated males, one 43 years old and one 33 years old, got into a verbal altercation at a Quaker Steak and Lube Bike Night event. The argument began as one of the suspects was continuously beeping his vehicle horn as he was trying to get his girlfriend to exit the bar. The argument eventually became physical and the 43 year old was punched in the face and head butted. This investigation resulted in one of the subjects being charged with Disorderly Conduct and the second being charged with Battery.

MI15-6262, Middleton High School, 2100 Bristol Street, Uniformed Controlled Substance

On 07-30-15, shortly after midnight, Middleton Police Officers were called to the MHS parking lot on the report of a motor vehicle being stolen from this location. Upon arrival, officers made contact with the 19 year old reporting party/victim who informed them that he had now determined that his vehicle was taken as a prank. The victim informed officers that some friends had taken the car and had since abandoned it in the Costco parking lot. Officers located the vehicle within minutes and in doing so found that it contained drug paraphernalia in plain view. The victim was eventually cited for Possession of Marijuana.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

Our Department is fortunate enough to have two officers qualified in Child Passenger Safety with both Officer Jill Tutaj and Officer Julie Carbon being certified. Our CPS certified officers assisted five families this month with installing their car seats. This ensures infants and children are properly secured while traveling in vehicles.

Motorcycle Patrol Officer Jesse Sellek was able to conduct motorcycle patrol four days this month for a total of about 18 hours. Officer Sellek also assisted with Bike Night at Quaker Steak & Lube on two Wednesday nights this month. Officer Sellek assisted with the Safe Harbor motorcycle escort on July 11th. The following is a list of the enforcement actions taken by Officer Sellek while on Motorcycle Patrol:

- 16 citations for Speed with 2 warnings
- 3 citations for Driver License Restrictions
- 1 warning for a Moving Violation
- 3 warnings for Equipment Violations
- 1 citation for Child Seat Violation

Regular directed traffic patrol was performed for about 12 hours in July. The following is a list of the enforcement actions taken during the directed traffic patrols:

- 1 Municipal citation for Possession of Controlled Substance
- 10 citations for Speed with 9 warnings
- 1 citation for Insurance violations with 2 warnings
- 2 citations for Driver's License violations
- 1 citation for Traffic Control Signal violation with 1 warning
- 2 citations for Registration violations with 1 warning
- 1 warning for an Equipment violation

Middleton Officers also made nine arrests for Operating While under the Influence. These traffic stops yielded the following citations:

- 9 citations for OWI
- 1 citation for Speed
- 2 citations for Open Intoxicants in Motor Vehicle
- 5 citations for Driver's License Violations
- 1 citation for a Moving violation
- 1 citation for Failure to Obey Sign
- 2 citations for Equipment violations
- 1 Municipal citation for Possession of Controlled Substance
- 1 arrest for Resisting Arrest
- 1 arrest for Bail Jumping

In total, Middleton Officers made 488 Traffic Enforcement stops, issuing 322 traffic citations and 297 warnings for the month of July.

There were 340 reportable accidents during July, of which seven were in parking lots. This is compared to 46 reportable accidents in July 2014, of which 12 were in parking lots.

TRAINING

Specialized Training – June 2015:

SRO Training Conference – 20 hours (O'Connor)

SWAT Basic Training – 40 hours (Ziegler)

CIVMIC Coaching Employees – 14 hours (Hanson/Quamme/Kakuske/Ziltner/Geiszler)

G.R.E.A.T Training – 60 hours (Salinas)
Conference for Women – 8 hours (Endres)
CIT Mental Health Training – 40 hours (Kasdorf/Tutaj/K. Wood)
Equity Institute Training – 20 hours (O'Connor)
Identity Theft Training – 8 hours (Jones)

Specialized Training – July 2015:

DRE Recertification Training – 8 hours (Quamme/Riffenburg)
Handgun and Rifle Instructor Course – 56 hours (Sellek)
Advanced Sexual Assault Investigations – 16 hours (Riffenburg)
Excel Basics – 8 hours (Raffel)

2015 3rd Quarter In-Service Training:

July 23, 29, August 10 and 19 – Dane County Law Enforcement Training Center

Morning session will consist of Firearms Training and more specifically the Annual Qualification Courses.

Afternoon session will be a presentation on Domestic Violence by a member of the Dane County District Attorney's Office.

INVESTIGATIVE UNIT REPORT

During the month of July, the Investigative Services Bureau (ISB) reviewed a total of 92 cases and 16 of those were assigned to detectives for follow up. Those assigned cases included sexual assault, theft of a motor vehicle, several frauds, drug cases, worthless checks and thefts.

Throughout the summer we tend to see an increase in the number of thefts of bicycles as well as thefts from vehicles. The common theme among the victims in these incidents is that the bikes and vehicles are rarely locked up. Although this may seem like an inconvenience, the simple act of locking up your valuables may save you in the long run. In addition to locking up your belongings, make sure items of value are not in plain view in your vehicle. Both of these are crimes of opportunity and you greatly reduce the chances of becoming a victim if you limit the opportunity for the criminal.

Throughout the year we recover more bikes than those that are reported stolen. However, many people do not register their bikes and that makes it very difficult to return them to their rightful owners. The Middleton Police Department offers online bike registration for free. If a bike with a license is recovered, we can check a database and make sure it is returned to the rightful owner. The online license application can be found at <http://www.middletonpd.com/bicycle.htm>. The relevant ordinance can also be located at this web address.

We also continue to get a high number of fraud calls involving debit and credit cards. It is very important to frequently monitor the use of your cards to ensure nobody else is using them without your knowledge. Internet crimes have become more common and the anonymity of the web makes solving those crimes very difficult. If you suspect your card has been fraudulently used, contact your local police department and cancel the card as soon as possible.

In addition to credit and debit card fraud, there have been several reports of attempted fraud over the phone. Many of these scams involve someone claiming to be a police officer or a representative of the IRS threatening some sort of legal action if you do not immediately send them money. Be aware that this is not how these agencies regularly do business so please be skeptical of anybody who is doing this. Do your research and ask for names and phone numbers before taking any action. You can also use the internet to look up the phone numbers for the agencies these people are claiming to be from. If necessary, contact those agencies at those phone numbers to verify the validity of the call. Again, some diligence on the front end may save you a lot of time and money in the long run.

COURT ACTIVITY

Dane County Adult Criminal Referrals

26 Adults
48 Criminal Counts
6 Civil Forfeitures

Dane County Juvenile Criminal Referrals

0 Juveniles
0 Criminal Counts
0 Civil Forfeitures