



**City of Oshkosh
Auxiliary Police**
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APRIL 2015 NEWSLETTER

Oshkosh Auxiliary Police meeting, **Wednesday April 8, 2015. 6:00 PM** at the Oshkosh Police Department. As always, refreshments will be provided following the meeting.

**EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL & MAY 2015
(Oshkosh, Wisconsin's Event City)**

April 11,	Saturday	Spring Pub Crawl	6:30 PM – 2:00 AM	AMAP
April 15,	Wednesday	UW-O – LGBTQ Ally March	6:15 PM – 7:15 PM	4-6 APO's
April 18*,	Saturday	Explorer Competition (FVTC Appleton)	7:00 AM – 5:00 PM	4-6 APO's
*Please note that this detail is on the same day as our Anniversary and Awards Dinner				
April 19,	Sunday	Oshkosh Marathon, Half Marathon & 5K	6:15 AM – 11:00 AM	AMAP
April 25,	Saturday	Run Away to the Bay (Oshkosh to Green Bay Relay)	6:45 AM – 9:30 AM	4-6 APO's
April 25,	Saturday	5th Annual Walk for Suicide Awareness	8:45 AM – 10:00 AM	4-6 APO's
April 25,	Saturday	Webster Stanley 5K Walk/Run	9:45 AM – 11:30 AM	2-4 APO's
May 15	Friday	Beer Gardens (UW-O Graduation)	7:00 PM – 2:00 AM	AMAP
May 15-16	Fri-Sat	Paine Festival of Spring (Overnight Security)	7:00 PM – 8:00 AM	1-2 per shift
May 16	Saturday	Paine Festival of Spring (Traffic/Security)	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	2 per shift
May 25	Monday	Memorial Day Procession	8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	AMAP

Group Photo:

Prior to the April meeting, we will be taking a group photograph. We want everyone possible to attend and be part of this photograph as we haven't taken a group picture in several years. Please mark this on your calendar and plan to make attending a mandatory event on your schedule.

Wednesday, April 8, 2015 – 5:45 PM – 6:15 PM

Uniform-of-the-day:

Dark navy trousers, short sleeve uniform shift, large badge, whistle & lanyard, name tag. If you have rank insignia or commendation bars for years of service, those should be worn as well. No duty belts or head gear.

Social Committee Updates:

56th Anniversary and Awards Dinner Reminder-

*Robbins Restaurant
Saturday April 18, 2015
Cocktails at 5:30 PM, Dinner at 6:30 PM
Service awards presentation to follow.*

Wisconsin Timber Rattlers Baseball Game-



Wednesday, May 6, 2015
6:30 PM at Fox Cities Stadium, Grand Chute
Wisconsin Timber Rattlers vs. Cedar Rapids Kernels
"Bang for your Buck night"
Cher-Make hotdogs, Sodas or Miller beer for just \$1.00 each!
This is a Family Event!
Please contact **Capt. Youngbauer** for further information.

Personnel:

Dave and Grace Pable have submitted their letters of resignation to me. Although they have enjoyed the time they've served with us, they find it necessary to withdraw their membership due to medical reasons. Dave has been a member since 2005 and Grace since 2011, serving as just one of a very few husband and wife teams ever to serve with our Unit.

Both Dave and Grace have been wonderful, dedicated well liked members. We will miss their participation and wish them success as they tackle the medical issues facing them.

Mark Tharnish has submitted his letter of resignation to me. Mark has served with us since September of 2014. Mark indicates that his decision to resign is based largely on his schedule and personal life. He states that the free time he has, he would prefer to spend with his girlfriend or working overtime at his employer. He further states he wishes to thank the entire organization for the time he has spent with us and that in his relatively short time serving, he enjoyed the camaraderie.

We are happy to announce three new Auxiliary Officers



Brandon McMullin
Squad C
Badge # 37

Brandon is a Criminal Justice student graduating in December 2015. Recently married, he enjoys spending time with his new two sons. He also enjoys college basketball.



Andrew Pelot
Squad B
Badge # 45

Andy currently attends UW Platteville. He enjoys sailing, skiing and wants to pursue a carrier in law enforcement upon his graduation in a few years.



Scott Leipzig
Squad B
Badge # 30

Scott is retired and now enjoys many activities including skiing, running, weight lifting, volunteering as an assistant youth baseball coach and spending time with his family.

Personnel:

After serving with the Oshkosh Auxiliary Police for 32 years, **Auxiliary Lieutenant Lacy Papenfuss** has submitted his letter of resignation to me. He indicates that after long consideration and with a great deal of sadness he has decided it was his time to leave the Unit.

During his long service with the Auxiliary, he has experienced the many changes that have occurred within the Department and Unit, some of which ultimately lead him to his decision. For the most part he has enjoyed his years of service and had the pleasure of working with a great many members, past and present.

Lacy was the fourth longest tenured member currently serving with the Unit, beginning his service in 1983. Lacy was promoted to Sergeant in 2004 and has served as Lieutenant since 2006.

32 years of volunteer service is a remarkable record that Lacy can be proud of. His dedication and commitment to the Oshkosh community for over three decades is a legacy that few others could match. Those of us who've known and serviced with Lacy, know him to have been an honorable, principled member. The entire ranking staff joins me in wishing Lacy and his family, health and happiness as he moves on to the next chapter of his life. We who have served with you are proud to have done so.



Procedural Change – Radio Frequency:

The Oshkosh Auxiliary Police normal frequency of use will be: **LOCAL INTEROPS - WISPEVT4** Channel 9 on the local Interops talk-group.

There are a few procedural things that need to happen when taking a radio to work an event.

- Make sure the radio is on LOCAL INTEROPS - WISPEVT4
- OIC will call into Dispatch via the phone (236-7507) ID yourself as Auxiliary Officer #__, tell them that you'll be logging on for a special detail. Tell them what location you'll be at. (example: Auxiliary 2, I'll be logging on, special detail at EAA for the Farm Show).
- Advise dispatch that you'll be using WISPEVT4.
- If there is a conflict with that frequency, they will advise you what channel to use.

For events that have several officers working, the OIC can be the one to call into dispatch. This is so that we don't have every single person calling dispatch on the phone to log on. Just the OIC needs to do this.

From this point forward, OPDTAC1 will only be used for Tactical purposes. All other Special Events will use a Special Event Channel on the Local Interops Talk group.

Auxiliary will no longer use OPDTAC1. It is for TACTICAL use only.

If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact Deputy Chief Footit.

High School Athletic Events - Detail Update:

Based on the feedback given by those working high school football and basketball games this year, the following letter was sent to all three high school Athletic Directors.

As you know, for literally decades members of the Oshkosh Auxiliary Police have been providing security services for high school sporting events. Our history supporting football games goes back to games held at the Jackson Street Athletic Field prior to the construction of Titan Stadium.

As you might expect, with all those years of service, our members have experienced a wide range of challenges when faced with maintaining safety, security and order for those attending games. Our Auxiliary Officers understand their role as volunteer, non-sworn Officers associated with the Oshkosh Police Department.

When you put on a uniform and assume an authoritative role you are often faced with unpleasant situations. Our members are trained and are generally able to use the skills developed from that training to address and defuse most situations. The most significant tool we possess is that of uniform presence. Once uniform presence is defeated, our effectiveness is compromised significantly.

Last September, I advised you of a situation our Auxiliary Officers were experiencing. The conduct of some of the middle school students involved in the Eagles and Flyers programs had gotten beyond the point where our Officers could maintain order with their limited authority. I received reports from Auxiliary Police Ranking Officers working games that a potentially dangerous situation was developing. As outlined in that letter, some of the specific disruptive activities included:

- Passing footballs and scrimmaging in grass areas inside the fenced stadium areas
- Running throughout the stands and concourse area
- Gathering in stairwells and socializing, often blocking general use of stairwells
- Horseplay in restrooms
- Leaning, sitting, tossing items over any end of the stadium seating area
- Milling about, socializing and causing general disruption in the concourse area of the stadium
- Disrespect and not following directions given by Oshkosh Auxiliary Officers security personnel

Through the efforts of the associated coaches and others, some behavior improvements were made; but unacceptable behavior, disrespect and disregard to directions given by Auxiliary Officers was still occurring, mostly associated with middle school students. Furthermore, some of that same behavior has now been occurring at basketball games.

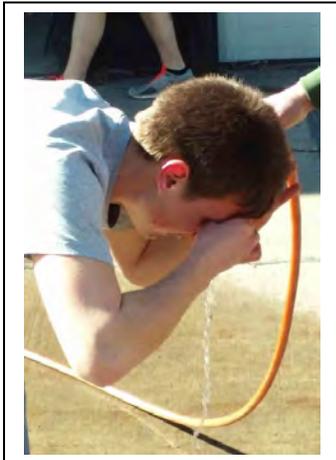
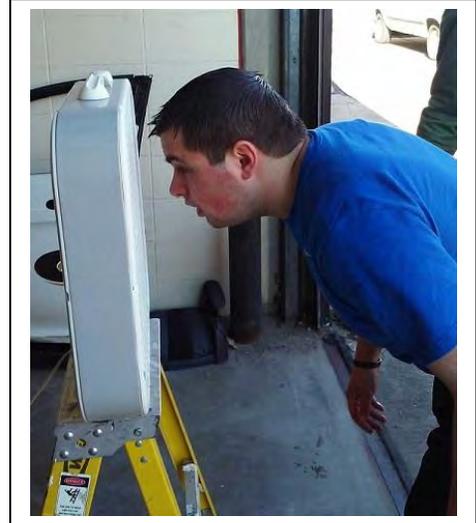
Our organization has held significant discussion on this subject. The result of that discussion is our members have reached the point where they no longer have a desire to volunteer to work future high school sporting events.

The purpose of my letter is to advise you that as of this notice, the Oshkosh Auxiliary Police will no longer be able to furnish security services for high school athletic events. Hopefully I've given you enough advance notice to allow you to make alternate arrangements if you so desire.

O.C. Exposure:

Saturday March 21st, several members participate in exposure to O.C. (Oleoresin Capsicum)
Those participating were:

Andrew Pelot, Jake Wallner, Eddie Wick, Lance Yoder, Dennis Edwards



Applications for promotion:

Per Article III, Section 8 of the Oshkosh Auxiliary Police, Rules and Regulations, we will begin the process of appointing a Lieutenant for Squad C.

Notice is hereby given; all those interested in being considered for the open Lieutenant position are requested to submit their written application to me, per the instructions published in the Rules and Regulations manual. In order to be considered for this position, I must receive your written application no later than Saturday, April 25, 2015. Submission methods to be used are either postal mail or my home e-mail. If submitting via e-mail, you must attach your application to the e-mail as a PDF file or Word document.

The Position Description shown below is a list of tasks and responsibilities assigned to this position. In order to be considered, you must be prepared to commit to undertaking these responsibilities. If you can not commit your time and effort, please do not submit an application.

Oshkosh Auxiliary Police **Position Description**

Position: Lieutenant

Squad: C - Vehicles

Reports to: Captain of Squad C - Vehicles

POSITION SUMMARY

The Lieutenant of the Vehicle Squad has the primary responsibility for caretaking of the Unit's vehicles. (Currently - two squad cars, one cargo van, and one command trailer) The Lieutenant of vehicles will ensure that all vehicles are in good working order, clean, fueled, and equipment functioning properly. Being in the rank structure, the Lieutenant will also function as Officer-in-Charge during events as needed.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The following duties are normal for this position. This list is not to be construed as all-inclusive. Other duties may be required and assigned as needed.

- Perform and document monthly vehicle inspections on all unit vehicles to ensure that vehicles are in good working order.
- Perform and document monthly equipment inspections to ensure that all equipment stored within the vehicles are in good working order.
- Submit documentation and inspection packet to the Deputy Chief Monthly.
- Ensure that all rosters and vehicle info sheets are up to date and current.
- Perform routine cleaning of vehicles both interior and exterior.
- Communicate any needed repairs to Captain of Vehicles.
- Ensure that Command Trailer orderly, all systems are operable and consumables well stocked and ready to be deployed if needed.
- Any other duties as assigned by the Captain of Vehicles, Deputy Chief, Chief.



Wisconsin State Patrol Trooper Trevor J. Casper

End of watch March 24, 2015



Members of the Oshkosh Auxiliary Police participated in the funeral visitation service for Wisconsin State Trooper Trevor Casper in Kiel Sunday March 29, 2015.

Our thanks to all those that represented our Unit; they joined members of hundreds of other agencies from across the country that came to pay their respects to Trooper Casper.

Those attending were:

Deputy Chief Footit

Capt. Youngbauer

Sgt. Knudsen

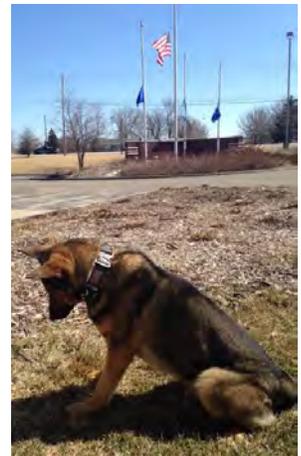
Sgt. O'Bright

Officer Russell

Officer Lewis

Our contingent drove to Elkhart Lake and then boarded a bus to take them and other area law enforcement officers to the service in Kiel. The service was held at the Kiel High School. Once they arrived, they stood in line for approximately 40 minutes as the line progressed.

Also noted attending were former Oshkosh Auxiliary Police members Kyle Sorensen, Greg Anderson and Amanda Dempsey...along with former OPD CSO Matt Ackley (Ackley and Trooper Casper were best friends and attended the Trooper Academy together)



Oshkosh Auxiliary Police Meeting Minutes – March 11, 2015

Meeting was held in the OPD training room with 20 officers attending.

No training was presented.

New officers were introduced.

Officers signed up for new details.

Reminder of the Anniversary Dinner April, 18.

Discussion on high school football and basketball games was held.

Reminder of the Timber Rattlers game May 6th. Cost is \$7.00 per ticket. If interested, contact Capt. Youngbauer.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by
Sgt. Mary Knudsen, Secretary

Oshkosh Auxiliary Ranking Staff Meeting Minutes - March 18, 2015

Meeting was held in the Erickson Room at OPD. In attendance were Chief Suess, Deputy Chief Footit, Capt. Youngbauer, Capt. Gutche, Capt. Schroeder, Lt. Oestreich, Sgt. Knudsen, Sgt. Winkler, and Sgt. O'Bright. Lt. Schouten was excused.

A presentation of software used to track officers and activities during an event was done by OPD Sgt. Harris and Deputy Chief Footit. After discussion, it was agreed to purchase the software. Deputy Chief Footit will follow up on having the software programmed specifically for the unit's needs.

Discussion on continuing to work the high school athletic events, football, basketball games and track and field, resulted in a vote not to work events in 2015. Chief Suess will send a letter to the appropriate individuals to let them know of the decision.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by
Sgt. Mary Knudsen, Secretary

Next General Meeting:

May 13, 2015. 6:00 PM – Oshkosh Police Department, Training Room

Next Ranking Officer Meeting:

May 20, 2015. 5:00 PM – Oshkosh Police Department, Erickson Meeting Room