



## JANUARY 2014 NEWSLETTER

Oshkosh Auxiliary Police meeting, **Wednesday January 8, 2014, 6:00 PM** at the Oshkosh Police Department. As always, refreshments will be provided following the meeting.

### EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY and FEBRUARY (Oshkosh, Wisconsin's Event City)

January 10	Friday	O.N.H.S. Basketball vs Kaukauna	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
January 14	Tuesday	O.N.H.S. Basketball vs Menasha	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
January 14	Tuesday	O.W.H.S. Basketball vs Neenah	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
January 17	Friday	O.W.H.S. Basketball vs Oshkosh North	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	4-6 APO's
January 24	Friday	O.N.H.S. Basketball vs Appleton East	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
January 28	Tuesday	O.N.H.S. Basketball vs Oshkosh West	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	4-6 APO's
January 31	Friday	O.W.H.S. Basketball vs Appleton West	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
January 31	Friday	Otter Street Fisheree (Concert & Traffic)	5:30 PM – 10:30 PM	2-4 APO's
February 1	Saturday	Otter Street Fisheree (Traffic)	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	6 ea. Shift
February 4	Tuesday	O.N.H.S. Basketball vs Neenah	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
February 6	<u>Thursday</u>	O.N.H.S. Basketball vs Appleton North	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
Feb. 13-14	Thur-Fri	Special Olympics Polar Plunge (Security)	4:00 PM – 8:00 AM	2 ea. Shift
February 14	Friday	O.N.H.S. Basketball vs Kimberly	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
Feb. 14-15	Fri-Sat	Special Olympics Polar Plunge (Security)	4:00 PM – 8:00 AM	2 ea. Shift
February 15	Saturday	Special Olympics Polar Plunge (Traffic)	8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	6 ea. Shift
February 20	<u>Thursday</u>	O.W.H.S. Basketball vs Kimberly	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
Feb. 21-22	Fri-Sat	Battle on Bago (Security)	10:00 PM – 6:00 AM	2 ea. Shift
February 22	Saturday	Battle on Bago (Traffic)	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	6 ea. Shift
February 28	Friday	WIAA Basketball Regionals at O.N.H.S	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
March 1	Saturday	WIAA Basketball Regionals at O.N.H.S	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's

(Regional Playoff games are tentative. Subject to complete season standings and seeding meeting held late in February)

### Unit Treasurer Position:

Discussion was held at the last Ranking Officers Meeting related to our Treasurer Position. This position is held by Marti Steele. Marti volunteered for the position and her appointment was ratified by a membership vote. Marti has performed the role of Unit Treasurer in an exemplary manner.

As Unit financial information is often needed during discussions at Ranking Meetings, and the Unit Treasurer was not a ranking member, the lack of quick access to financial data was hindering our ability to make some necessary decisions. The ranking staff as a group determined that the Treasurer position must be one held by a ranking member, so that Unit financial records would be available at each Ranking meeting.

Auxiliary Captain Chad Gutche volunteered to accept the responsibility and take on the task of Unit Treasurer. After the yearly Audit is performed, the records, associated documents and authority of Unit Treasurer will be transferred from Marti Steele to Chad Gutche.

We sincerely thank Marti for her assistance in performing the Treasurer duties during her time as Unit Treasurer.

## **Audit Committee:**

Per Article III Section 6 of the Oshkosh Auxiliary Police Association by-Laws-

**Audit** An audit of the Treasurer's report shall be conducted each year.

### **Audit Committee**

**Mission:** The Audit Committee is organized to provide a standardized yearly review of the financial standing of all Oshkosh Auxiliary Police Association funds.

**Purpose:** An Audit Committee shall consist of three (3) Oshkosh Auxiliary Police Officers in good standing. These Officers shall perform the audit. The Audit Committee members must be non-probationary Auxiliary Officers, with at least one (1) year of active service with the Unit. If more than three (3) members wish to serve on the Committee, the selection method shall be by drawing names. The results shall be reviewed and approved by the Officers of the Association.

- **Each November – Committee Chosen**
  - **Each January – Audit performed, reviewed and approved by the Officers of the Association.**
  - **Each February – The Committee shall present their report to the membership.**
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## **Personnel:**

**We are happy to announce a new Auxiliary Officer joining our Unit.**



### **Jacob Decker**

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**Squad B**  
**Badge # 44**

Jacob is a criminal justice student as well as a security officer at FVTC. He enjoys playing guitar and skateboarding. His future plans are in law enforcement.

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## **Minutes from Oshkosh Auxiliary Police Meeting November 13, 2003**

Meeting took place in the OPD training room with 27 officers attending including OPD Officer M. Harris

Training: Scene Security presented by OPD officers J. Krueger and C. Vang

### Details:

Past details were discussed and officers signed up for new details.

Special detail of security for the 3rd Street Evidence Impound area is needed while the roof on one building is being replaced. Officers signed up for that detail with Deputy Chief Footit.

### Audit Committee:

Officers signed up for the committee for a February 2014 report. Capt. Schroeder will Chair the committee.

### Challenge coin:

The following officers earned a OAP Challenge coin for working four (4) details in one day: Officers G. Kargus, S. Russell, A. Williams and W. Welch. Congratulations and thank you for your efforts.

### Bike Patrol:

Training has been completed and equipment/uniforms are being considered and ordered. Helmets and gloves have been issued. First deployment will be the Holiday Parade with Lt. Schouten, Sgt. Knudsen and Officer Welch riding.

### Color Guard:

Members of the Color Guard will march in the Holiday Parade and will meet for practice. Sgt. R. O'Bright and Officers M. Steele, D. Edwards, M. Kirby, A. Lewis, S. Russel, and J. Strassburger have signed up to march.

Bowling for Special Olympics:

The unit entered a team to bowl in the fundraiser held in Menasha. Sgt. Ron O'Bright headed up the team and said that they did very well in the standings and had a good time.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Sgt. Mary Knudsen, Secretary

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**Minutes from Oshkosh Auxiliary Police Ranking Officer's Meeting November 20, 2013**

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

Shirts:

Polo shirts are being reviewed for use in some situations. Capt. Schroeder brought some examples of shirts for review. A decision was made and she will be getting sizes needed for officers. The Bike Patrol officers will wear the same shirt for their uniform shirt.

Budget:

Deputy Chief Footit reported on the budget for the remaining of this year and for next year. Not many changes.

Detail donations:

Some organizers of details the unit worked have not paid the promised donation for our services. There was a discussion regarding this.

Special teams:

Color Guard... There were discussions regarding the Color Guard's current uniforms/equipment, practice and number of members.

Speed Board... Sgt. Winkler gave an update on the speed board situation and scheduling. He requested another speed board so there would be one for each side of the river.

Bike Patrol...Lt. Schouten reported on the first deployment of the Bike Patrol at the Holiday Parade. He said for the first time out, things went well. Capt. Schroeder said she heard positive comments regarding their presence and thought it went well.

Vehicles:

The jump pack needed to be used on the van in the Osborn garage and it worked well.

Scanner is being installed in one squad so far so OPD channel can be monitored.

The refrigerator in the Command Trailer didn't work. Capt. Gutche will have it replaced.

The garage door at the Osborn garage isn't working so the squads and van will be kept at OPD until it's fixed.

After use of the vehicles, clean them out and gas them up if needed.

Request for a 3rd cell phone has been placed and waiting for approval.

Personnel:

The roster was reviewed and updated.

Certain positions and duties were discussed and will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Equipment:

When picking up radios, they are not always on the channel they should be on. Check that before using. If in doubt or get into an area or zone not sure of, press the "home" button. That should take the radio settings back to default settings. Then go to channel 11.

55th Anniversary Dinner:

Discussion on whether to stay at Robbins for our dinners brought an agreement to do that due to the good service the unit gets from them as well as the food selection. There was a discussion on what special things to do for this anniversary dinner.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Sgt. Mary Knudsen, Secretary

## School Sporting Events:

As we are now well into the high school basketball season; it's a good time to review our procedures when covering school sporting events. Our first primary responsibility is to provide an official uniformed presence to the events we cover. Players, parents, fans and officials see our officers in uniform as a security force who must be prepared to address threats and negative issues that might occur. Officers working these events must always provide a command presence and be ever vigilant for any activities that might be disruptive to the game. Some specific procedures that should always be followed at sporting events:

- 1) Never congregate and remain in groups. Officers should be deployed by the OIC to various areas thought-out the facility.
- 2) Provide visible security at all entry points. Again, the OIC should have these positions identified as part of their event briefing and personnel deployment action plan.
- 3) Never eat or drink soda in areas visible to the public. If a break is needed, advice the OIC and take a snack or beverage break in a discrete area.
- 4) Remain aware, alert, vigilant. Don't just focus on the game and act as a spectator; scan the crowd, watch the corners and doorway aisles. Take note of those standing in out-of-the-way areas.
- 5) Be aware of "things" that look out of place. A person wearing a long overcoat at a warm early in the season football game should be a person of interest and brought to the attention of a Liaison Officer.
- 6) Patrol. The OIC should generally be on patrol, covering non-staffed areas associated with the facility. If troublemakers see a uniformed APO moving and patrolling areas around the event...even the parking lot if warranted, they will be far less likely to create a disturbance.

I shouldn't need to remind you that people watch us. They watch how we conduct ourselves and make judgments and opinions based on what they see.

If they see a group of APO's leaning against a wall talking, laughing and eating pizza during a basketball game...what impression is that giving them of the professionalism of our Officers?

Contrast that impression against one where they see our APO's reasonably deployed throughout the facility, focusing on entry points, with heads on swivels watching the crowd, spectators and entire venue, alert and reactive during a basketball game...that is how we conduct ourselves!

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## Next Meeting:

### **February 12, 2014. 6:00 PM – Tour of the Winnebago County Jail and Dispatch Center**

Meet at 6:00 PM in the Rick Meyer Room (In the main foyer of the building)

NO cell phones, purses, jackets, knives etc allowed in the jail.

You may leave your belongings in your vehicle, or in our meeting room.

## Agenda:

6:00 – 6:45	Group #1 Tour Dispatch	Group #2 Tour Jail
6:45 – 7:30	Group #1 Tour Jail	Group #2 Tour Dispatch
7:30 – 8:00	General meeting held in the Rick Meyer Room	
	Pizza and refreshments served following meeting	

## Next Ranking Officer Meeting:

### **January 15, 2014. 5:00 PM – Oshkosh Police Department, Erickson Meeting Room**