



City of Oshkosh
Auxiliary Police
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FEBRUARY 2015 NEWSLETTER

Oshkosh Auxiliary Police meeting, **Wednesday February 11, 2015, 6:00 PM** at the Oshkosh Police Department. As always, refreshments will be provided following the meeting.

EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY, MARCH & APRIL (Oshkosh, Wisconsin's Event City)

February 13,	Friday	O.W.H.S. Basketball vs Oshkosh North	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
February 20,	Friday	O.N.H.S. Basketball vs Kaukauna	5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	2-4 APO's
Feb. 19-20,	Thur-Fri	Special Olympics Polar Plunge (Security)	4:00 PM – 8:00 AM	2 ea. Shift
Feb. 20-21,	Fri-Sat	Special Olympics Polar Plunge (Security)	4:00 PM – 8:00 AM	2 ea. Shift
February 21,	Saturday	Special Olympics Polar Plunge (Traffic)	8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	6 ea. Shift
Feb. 25-26,	Wed-Thur	Battle on Bago (Security)	5:00 PM – 6:00 AM	2 ea. Shift
Feb. 26-27,	Thur-Fri	Battle on Bago (Security)	Noon – 6:00 AM	2 ea. Shift
February 27,	Friday	Battle on Bago (Traffic & Security)	6:00 AM – 4:00 PM	5 ea. Shift
February 27,	Friday	Battle on Bago (Traffic & Security – FishFry)	4:00 PM – 10:00 PM	6 ea. Shift
Feb. 27-28,	Fri-Sat	Battle on Bago (Security)	10:00 PM – 6:00 AM	2 ea. Shift
February 28,	Saturday	Battle on Bago (Traffic & Security)	6:00 AM – 6:00 PM	10 ea. Shift
Feb. 28-29,	Sat-Sun	Battle on Bago (Security)	6:00 PM – 6:00 AM	2 ea. Shift
March 6,	Friday	WIAA Basketball Regional at O.N.H.S	6:00 PM – 8:30 PM	3-5 APO's
March 7,	Saturday	E.A.A. Hops & Props	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM	6-8 APO's
March 14,	Saturday	UW-O Shamrock Shuffle 5K – Run/Walk	9:30 AM – 11:30 AM	4-6 APO's
March 14,	Saturday	3rd Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade	4:00 PM – 7:00 PM	6-8 APO's
April 4,	Saturday	South Park Easter Egg Hunt	8:30 AM – 10:30 AM	2-3 APO's
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 – 10:30 AM	4-6 APO's
April 25,	Saturday	5th Annual Walk for Suicide Awareness	8:45 AM – 10:00 AM	4-6 APO's

Social Committee Updates:

56th Anniversary and Awards Dinner

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

Reservations accompanied by a \$20.00 deposit (refunded at the dinner) must be made by March 31st with **Deputy Chief Footit**. Members and guest are invited, no children please. This event is open to all members regardless of the number of events worked. All members are encouraged to attend!

Wisconsin Timber Rattlers Baseball Game



Wednesday, May 6, 2015.

6:30 PM at the Fox Cities Stadium in 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.

Please get your ticket money to Joe as soon as possible so he is able to secure our group discount.

High School Basketball Games:

We've been advised that those of you working high school basketball games have as a normal course of action been patrolling the halls and other areas of the high schools.

This is just a reminder that your normal duties at basketball games should be in the gymnasium and lobby/entrance areas of the facility. If enough staffing is present, the parking lot may also be placed on your normal patrol while working the games.

Entering the general school facilities should only occur in unusual circumstances. Your primary responsibilities are those related to crowd control within the gymnasium.

Personnel:

Auxiliary Officer and FTO **Kyle Sorenson** submitted his letter of resignation to me just prior to our January meeting. Kyle has served with our Unit for the past seven years, and had been a truly exemplary member. His professionalism and dedication have made him the type of Auxiliary Officer others strive to model themselves after. Kyle's interests have branched out in several other areas over the past few years and he now finds it difficult to find the time to volunteer with our Unit.

I speak for the entire ranking staff when I Thank Kyle for his past service with us, and wish him well as he moves on to other opportunities.

Membership:

Maintaining an active membership is a never ending task every volunteer organization faces. We are fortunate to have a very talented Membership Coordinator in **Capt. Vicky Schroeder**. Vicky's efforts are often not nearly appreciated enough, but though her individual actions, many of you...our current members are with us today.

Many civic and fraternal organizations that rely on volunteer members are on the decline. Membership in clubs such as the Elks, Eagles, Lions, Rotary and Kiwanis have declined by 60 percent in the past 25 years, and the result has been the disbanding of many of these organizations.

An active, engaged membership is our lifeblood. We've had a membership goal of attracting and retaining 40 active members for the past several years. Each time we get close to reaching that goal, one or two members leave.

This is where each of you can contribute. Who better to act as a membership advocate than our current members? We're asking that each of you consider your family or friends...think about those in your circle of influence and consider if they have an interest in serving the public like each of you. If so, begin the conversation with them, and perhaps invite them to attend one of our meetings. If we could secure 5 or 6 members this way in 2015, we could finally reach our goal.

For a membership application, please see Capt. Schroeder, or our new website has an on-line application also.



The upcoming February episode of Beyond the Badge will highlight the Oshkosh Auxiliary Police and City of Oshkosh School Crossing Guards.

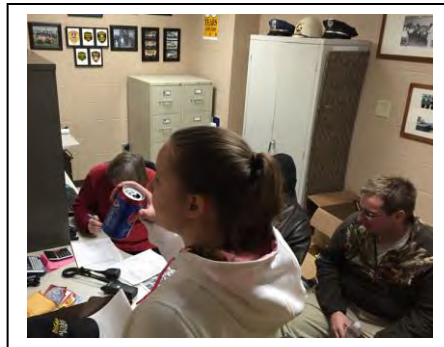
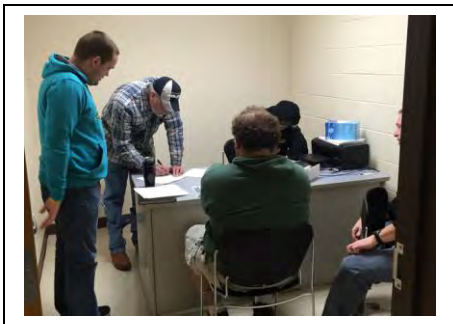
Show host, Crime Prevention & Public Information **Officer Joe Nichols** will interview **Auxiliary Captain Vicky Schroeder** regarding our Unit and **Shawna Russell**, regarding crossing guard service.

Beyond the Badge is a monthly TV show in collaboration between the Oshkosh Police Department and Oshkosh Community Media Services that gives viewers and listeners an inside look at the Oshkosh Police Department and its programs. Beyond the Badge can also be heard on WOCT 101.9 and seen in some of the outlying townships with cable. For replay times of Beyond the Badge, check out our home page or Oshkosh Community Media Services at www.oshkoshcommunitymedia.org.

Scheduled air times on CitiCable 10:

Monday: 6:00 PM & 8:00 PM
Wednesday: 3:00 PM
Thursday: 4:30 PM
Friday: 7:30 PM
Saturday: 8:30 PM
Sunday: 3:00 PM

Incident Command – Table-Top Exercise and Training



Child Abduction Response Team (CART):

The **Child Abduction Response Team (CART)** is in a developmental stage within Winnebago County. This is a Winnebago County project involving multiple jurisdictions (Police, Fire, EMS, DA, Probation & Parole, etc) The Oshkosh Police Department is a supporting agency.

Capt. Schoeni and Winnebago Sheriff **Capt. Mack** serve as co-coordinators. **Sgt. Harris** is also involved in the leadership of the Search component of the program. **Sgt. Harris** has identified several groups that he would like to assist in the Search part of the program (Oshkosh Auxiliary, Menasha Auxiliary, Police Explorers, Victim Response Groups, etc)

Our Unit has been identified as a prime candidate and a potential significant resource to provide assistance. We have extensive experience and an established structure to muster and provide trained manpower to a variety of emergency/urgent situations. If a situation were to occur in Oshkosh that was related to child abduction and required manpower beyond normal city services, we would be called to assist. Given that fact, our involvement with this group is not an option...we will provide whatever assistance possible as volunteers.

The Ranking Staff received some basic information about the CART program at the January Ranking Staff meeting. After the presentation, discussion occurred. The only question was, as this is a group which expands beyond the city limits, would we still be able to assist...the answer is yes. We have several cases where we've went beyond city and county lines to assist with extensive and unusual circumstances...one example is the Wautoma tornado.

Our feedback to Sgt Harris is that our Unit is open and willing to serve as a resource to the CART program. The next step will be for the CART Leadership Team to develop and provide some sort of training program. We expect that this training will be provided to some or all of the ranking staff and then our staff will take that knowledge and train our remaining membership. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

Additional information on the CART program may be found at:
<https://www.ncjtc.org/AmberAlert/Courses/Onsite/CARTandCert/Pages/default.aspx>

March Meeting:

Wednesday March 11, 2015.

Sgt Harris has made arrangements for our Unit to tour the newly constructed
**Fox Valley Technical College
Public Safety Training Center**

We will hold our normal monthly meeting in one of the facilities meeting rooms following our tour.

Tour: 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM
Meeting: 7:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Following the meeting, we will adjourn for refreshments. Further information on this will be published in the newsletter next month.

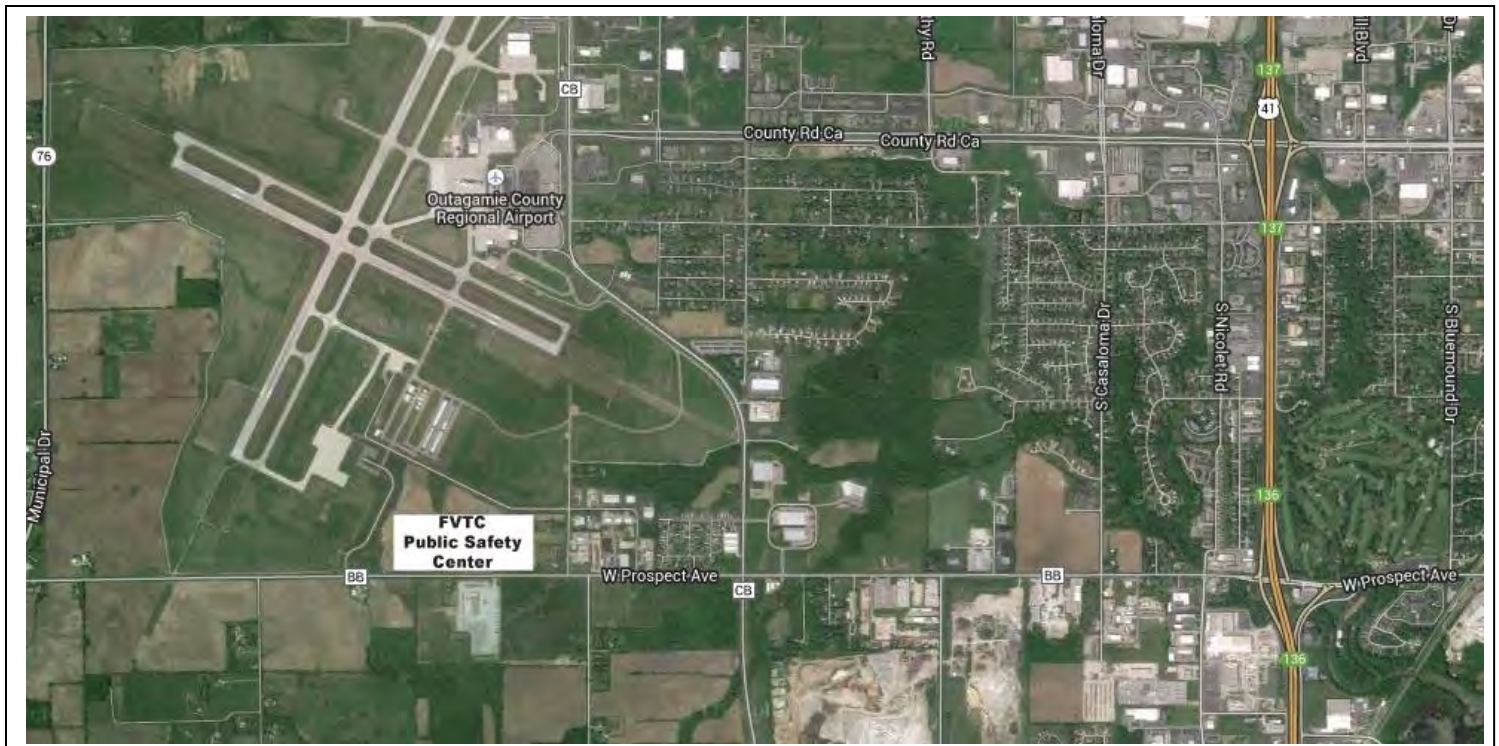
The Unit will not be providing transportation to the meeting. Everyone is to find their own transportation. You may choose to make your own car-pooling arrangements, or drive to the site on your own.



Public Safety Training Center



**W6400 County Road BB
Appleton, WI 54914
(920) 735-2482**



Radar/Speed Board Team:

One of the more unsung duties our Unit has been involved with is performed by members of our Radar/Speed Board Team. To better understand the responsibilities of the work this Team performs, we need to start with when the Team was formed.

The year was 1998. **Retired Sgt. Bill Schumacher** was at that time responsible for writing and submitting grant requests for the Department. One of the newer tools various departments were using at that time to assist with speed management efforts were Radar Trailers. Radar trailers were custom built to house portable radar speed detection equipment. Trailers had large displays, batteries as a power source and were fairly secure so the equipment, when set-up wouldn't be vandalized.

Sgt. Schumacher was successful in his efforts to obtain a grant which would fund the purchase of a Radar Trailer for the Oshkosh Police Department. Upon receipt of the unit, **Retired Chief David Erickson** approached our Unit with the concept of placing the responsibility of managing Radar Trailer operations part of the duties performed by the Oshkosh Auxiliary Police.

We gladly accepted the challenge and have been managing the speed awareness program ever since. The original Radar Trailer was used heavily and totally restored during its service life. But several years ago some key components of the electrical system could no longer be repaired. The Trailer was then retired and placed out of service, being replaced by newer and even more portable Speed Board equipment.



Original Radar Trailer - 1998



Restored Radar Trailer

The Team is currently looking for additional members as they will be receiving another Speed Board this summer. **Sgt. Winkler** develops a schedule for each member of the Team listing the dates of their assignment and the location the board is to be deployed. Team members receive detail credit on the days they are assigned to manage the Speed Boards movement.

A huge Thank You to each member of this Team!

You provide a very worthwhile service to the citizens of Oshkosh. I encourage anyone interested in assisting, to contact **Sgt. Winkler** for more information.

We are fortunate to have Auxiliary **Sgt. Jeff Winkler** as the current Auxiliary Officer heading up this Team. He along with his Team which consists of **Lt. Oestreich, Officers Kargus, G. Pable and D. Pable** spend countless hours each year deploying the speed board equipment through-out the City, primarily focusing on school zones.

2014 Speed Board Deployment Data

Various Elementary and Middle Schools – 198 Days
Various other locations through-out Oshkosh – 22 Days



Current Speed Board

Oshkosh Auxiliary Police Meeting Minutes - January 14, 2015

Meeting was held in the OPD training room with 30 officers attending.

Training was Incident Command scenario that was presented by Deputy Chief Footit. Officers were divided into groups and each group worked out the scenario which was followed by a discussion on the situations.

OAP Officer and FTO Kyle Sorenson announced his resignation. Kyle was with the unit for 7 years. Our thanks to Kyle and wish him all the best in his endeavors.

Officers signed up for new details.

Any address changes, please let Chief Suess and Lt. Oestreich know.

Timber Rattler game for the unit to attend is May 6th. This is a family/friend social event. If interested, contact Capt. Youngbauer.

Meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted by
Sgt. Mary Knudsen, Secretary

Oshkosh Auxiliary Police Ranking Officer's Meeting - January 21, 2015

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

The topic of discussion was Child Abduction Response Team (CART) which was presented by Todd Sweeny from the Town of Menasha FD and Chuck Keuhn from Winnebago County Reserves. Their presentation included what is involved, areas of involvement and how it becomes a part of the community if needed. They are in the process of putting together a CART team and for certification as an area team. Our unit has been asked to be a part of the team due to our experiences and background.

Discussion of our involvement showed that it would be an extension of what we as a unit already do. It was agreed that our unit would join the CART organization and OPD Sgt. Harris would be our liaison. Additional training will be needed and would be sometime in the spring.

More on this will follow and be discussed at our next officers meeting.

Thank you to Todd and Chuck for their time to present this and for asking our unit to be a part of their efforts and team.

There was a discussion on the high school football games situation. Chief Suess will be following up on this.

Meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted by
Sgt. Mary Knudsen, Secretary.

Next General Meeting:

March 11, 2015. 6:00 PM – FVTC Public Safety Training Center, Appleton

Next Ranking Officer Meeting:

March 18, 2015. 5:00 PM – Oshkosh Police Department, Erickson Meeting Room