

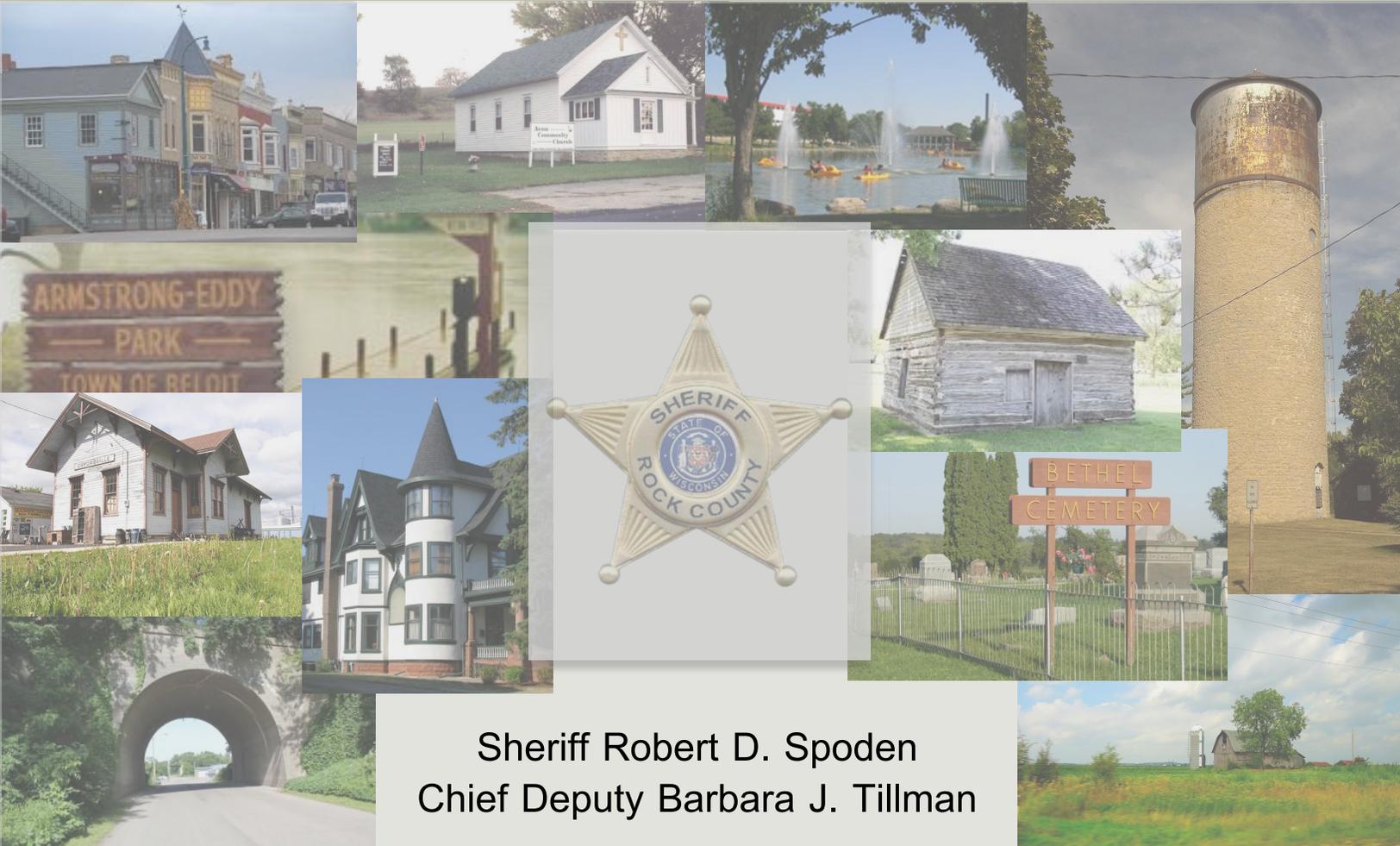
Rock County Sheriff's Office

2015 Annual Report



COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY

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TOWN OF HARMONY * TOWN OF JANESVILLE * TOWN OF JOHNSTOWN * TOWN OF LAPRAIRIE * TOWN OF LIMA * TOWN OF
MAGNOLIA * TOWN OF MILTON * TOWN OF NEWARK * TOWN OF PLYMOUTH * TOWN OF PORTER * TOWN OF ROCK * VILLAGE
OF FOOTVILLE * VILLAGE OF SPRING VALLEY * TOWN OF TURTLE * TOWN OF UNION * CITY OF CLINTON * CITY OF MILTON *
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Sheriff Robert D. Spoden
Chief Deputy Barbara J. Tillman

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A Message From Sheriff Spoden



Dear Citizens,

I am pleased and honored to present to you, the 2015 Rock County Sheriff's Office Annual Report.

This past year was a very busy time for the Sheriff's Office. As Rock County changes, so do the challenges we face in fulfilling our mission both in corrections and in protecting our communities. The common word you will notice in this report is "commitment" to our communities. Whether it is Beloit, Janesville, Milton, or any of the other communities in Rock County; we are committed to public safety.

We are also committed to serving our community in other ways such as Special Olympics, Cops and Bobbers, Hunter Safety, and National Night Out to name a few. We have women and men that give of their time and talents to make Rock County a safe place to raise your family.

I hope you enjoy this report. I have come to realize that the Sheriff's Office truly does have the best and brightest.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Spoden
Sheriff



The mission of the Rock County Sheriff's Office is to enhance the quality of life in Rock County by working cooperatively with the public to enforce the law, preserve the peace, reduce the fear of crime, and provide for a safe environment. Also, through the effective operations of the Rock County Jail, we must provide a safe, secure and humane environment for those persons consigned to our custody.

To accomplish this mission, we are committed to a set of values that guide our work and decisions and help us contribute to the quality of life in Rock County.

Mission Statement



HUMAN LIFE WE REVERE HUMAN LIFE AND DIGNITY ABOVE ALL ELSE.

INTEGRITY WE BELIEVE THAT INTEGRITY IS THE BASIS FOR PERSONAL AND PUBLIC TRUST.



Community Church-Town of Avon

LAWS AND CONSTITUTION WE BELIEVE IN THE PRINCIPLES EMBODIED IN THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN. WE RECOGNIZE THE AUTHORITY OF FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LAWS.

EXCELLENCE WE STRIVE FOR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE, DEDICATION TO DUTY, AND SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC.

ACCOUNTABILITY WE ARE ACCOUNTABLE TO EACH OTHER AND TO THE CITIZENS WE SERVE, WHO ARE THE SOURCE OF OUR AUTHORITY.

COOPERATION WE BELIEVE THAT COOPERATION AMONG OURSELVES, MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES, AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WILL ENABLE US TO COMBINE OUR DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS, SKILLS, AND STYLES TO ACHIEVE COMMON GOALS.

PROBLEM SOLVING WE ARE MOST EFFECTIVE WHEN WE HELP IDENTIFY AND SOLVE COMMUNITY PROBLEMS.

OURSELVES WE ARE CAPABLE, CARING PEOPLE WHO ARE DOING IMPORTANT AND SATISFYING WORK FOR THE CITIZENS OF ROCK COUNTY.

Executive Command Staff



**Sheriff
Robert D. Spoden**

- ◆ Serving as Sheriff since January 2007
- ◆ 27 years of service at the Rock County Sheriff's Office
- ◆ Graduate of Blackhawk Technical College; Associate Degree—Police Science
- ◆ Graduate of Upper Iowa University; Bachelor's Degree—Public Administration
- ◆ Graduate of Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command
- ◆ Graduate of National Sheriff's Institute



**Chief Deputy
Barbara J. Tillman**

- ◆ Serving as Chief Deputy since January 2007
- ◆ 33 years of service at the Rock County Sheriff's Office
- ◆ Graduate of Blackhawk Technical College; Associate Degree—Police Science
- ◆ Graduate of Upper Iowa University; Bachelor's Degree—Public Administration
- ◆ Graduate of Criminal Justice Executive Development Institute
- ◆ Graduate of U.S. Department of Justice National Institute of Corrections—Correctional Leadership Development Institute

Executive Command Staff



LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES DIVISION

- ◆ 27 years of service at the Rock County Sheriff's Office
- ◆ Graduate of University of Wisconsin—Madison; Bachelor's Degree—Sociology, Criminology, English, and Research Statistics
- ◆ Graduate of Boston University; Master's Degree—Criminal Justice
- ◆ Graduate of Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy Class 222



**Commander
Troy J. Knudson**

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DIVISION

- ◆ 20 years of service at the Rock County Sheriff's Office
- ◆ Graduate of Marian College; Bachelor's Degree—Administration of Justice
- ◆ Graduate of University of Wisconsin—Whitewater; Master's Degree—Occupational and Environmental Health and Safety
- ◆ Graduate of Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command



**Commander
Erik D. Chellevoid**

Personnel



1.00	Sheriff
1.00	Chief Deputy/Undersheriff
2.00	Commanders
6.00	Captains
22.00	Sergeants
6.00	Detectives
60.00	Deputy Sheriffs
1.00	Correctional Supervisor
81.00	Correctional Officers
1.00	Financial Office Manager
1.00	Administrative Secretary
2.00	Secretary II
1.00	Secretary I
1.00	Optical Imaging Specialist
3.00	Account Clerk II
11.00	Administrative Assistants
6.00	Public Safety Utility Clerks
.45	Vehicle Maintenance Supervisor
.30	Investigative Assistant
.30	Vehicle Maintenance Technician
<u>.30</u>	Sheriff's Clerk
207.35	Total Employees



Tiffany Bridge—Town of Turtle

Employees



Sheriff

Robert D. Spoden

Chief Deputy

Barbara J. Tillman

Commanders

Troy J. Knudson, Law Enforcement Services

Erik D. Chellevoid, Correctional Services

Adams, Jeff T.	Christiansen, Todd A.	Ford, Richard L.
Aldrich, Chadwyck R.	Cisneros, Eric C.	Fraser, Steven M.
Amador, Maria D.	Clark, Angela S.	Fuentes, Monica
Anacker, Zachary J.	Cleasby, Jaysen A.	Gajdosik, James R.
Anderson, Sarah R.	Coulter, Doug A.	Gajdosik, Janice L.
Arndt, David J. W.	Cowan, Charles R.	Garetson, Jolynn A.
Arneson, Andrew J.	Danielson, Bruce J.	Gerber, Jacqueline K.
Arnold, Jacquelyn M.	Dassow, Consuelo B.	Gladney, Ashley W.
Aubrey, Brian D.	Davis, Christopher M.	Glissendorf, Renee L.
Banks, Aubriana R.	DeBoer, Nathan W.	Groelle, Gary L.
Banks, Dan R.	deLorimier, Larry V.	Grosenick, Rhoda L.
Barr, Anthony J.	DeRemer, Brent S.	Hall, Cheryl I.
Barrington, Nicole E.	Dietzel, Austin R.	Halvorsen, Tim J.
Becker, Grace M.	Dodd, Douglas K.	Hansen, Wayne K.
Behm, Justin H.	Dodge, Donavon T.	Hanthorn, Bryan S.
Beltran, Chelsea F.	Douglas, Beau R.	Harding, Jason C.
Bennett, Neil J.	DuCharme, Luke A.	Hasseler, Christopher A.
Berg, Steven R.	EauClaire, Bradley A.	Helling, Sara A.
Betley, Ronald W.	Egger, Troy R.	Hemenway, Stephanie L.
Beutin, Caleb A.	Elliott, Kelly A.	Hill, Sandra M.
Bilhorn, Corene J.	Engeman, Donisia L.	Hillis, Jordan M.
Bittorf, Ryan C.	Enloe, Sue K.	Hoff, Jeremy R.
Boeche, Niles R.	Esquivel, Lucia	Holmberg, Regina D.
Bondehagen, Megan E.	Falk, Peter J.	Hubbard, Crystal R.
Borth, Alicia C.	Felde, John R.	Jackson, Lee R.
Brown, Jason T.	Fell, Curtis N.	Jackson, Sherry S.
Brown, Nicholas W.	Ferolito, Glenda R.	Jacobson, Matthew A.
Burdick, Aaron K.	Firkus, Cristine M.	Jeannette, Richard L.

Employees



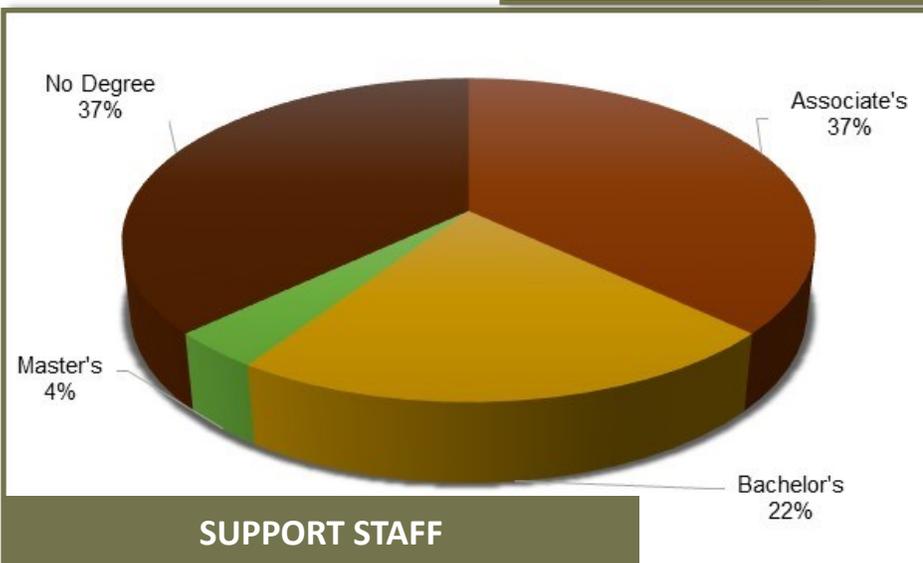
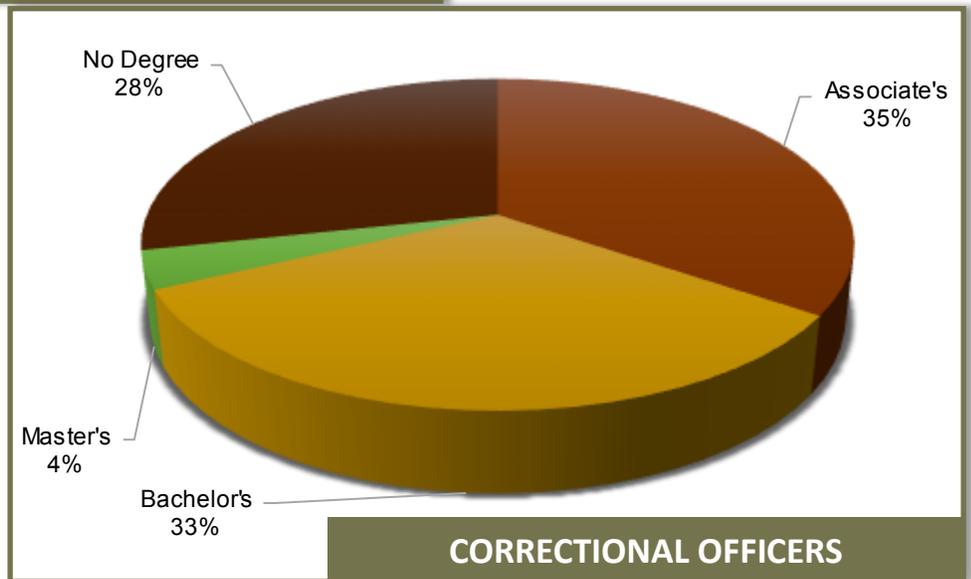
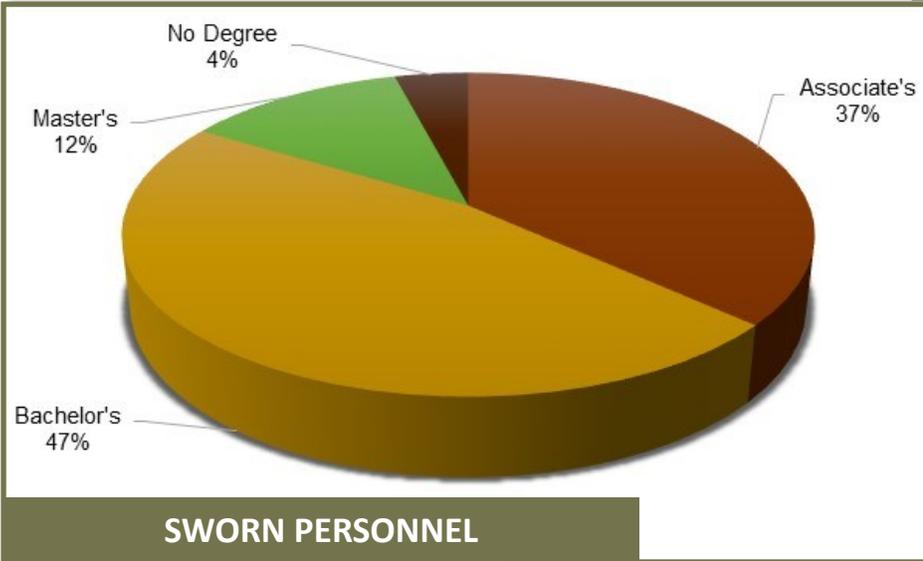
Train Depot - City of Edgerton

Johns, Mark J.
Johnson, Doug F.
Kaderly, Bradley J.
Kamholz, Richard A.
Karstetter, Janel K.
Keen, Dan D.
Keller, Craig C.
Kelly, Keegan J.
Kline, Beth E.
Klusmeyer, Larry L.
Knutson, Darrell C.
Kohler, Shena J.
Kowal, Diane K.
Krahn, Christopher J.
Krause, Sharon E.
Kunkel, Thomas W.
LaGrange, Joey G.
Larson, Robert E.
Laufenberg, Jason W.
Litsheim, Kimberly A.
Lochner, Christopher L.
Loehe, Jonathan E.
London, Bradley C.
Lund, Joshua J.
Lund, Trevor M.
Mansfield, Christy M.
Mareno, Cory A.
Marquardt, Kenneth J.
Mauerman, Timothy
Maurer, Jude G.
McElroy, Amanda L.
Meister, Barb A.
Meister, Brian L.
Merrick, Daniel J.
Meyer, Dennis J.
Michaelis, Diane M.
Mikel, Aaron J.
Millard, Elijah J.
Miller, Christine A.
Miller, Emily L.
Miller, Matthew J.
Moen, Christine L.
Molter, Joshua J.

Morwood, Mitchell K.
Morris, Aaron L.
Morrison, Perry C.
Mussomeli, Megan C.
Nash, Linda K.
Natter, Michael
Natter, Shawn M.
Negus, Richard J.
Noble, Holly S.
Nolan, Shawn P.
Nolan, Tara L.
Nouansacksy, Viengkhone
O'Connor, Jason R.
Olver, Mark D.
Ooms, Ryan A.
Ott, Bruce W.
Paulson, John R.
Pepper, Andrea M.
Peters, Daniel J.
Plach, Richard P.
Raby, Zach A.
Reckard, Matthew E
Reed, Andrew P.
Reilly, Brent D.
Reilly, Cory B.
Riemer, Benjamin J.
Riemer, Kristen M.
Roeder, Brian L.
Rossmiller, David E.
Roth, Thomas J.
Roth, Timothy D.
Rowley, Clint T.
Ruble, Rory L.
St. Michael, Cody A.
Schauer, Michael A.
Schilt, Corey W.
Schuler, James L.
Scott, Christopher A.
Scott, Robert R.
Selby, Steven R.
Shaw, Dwayne E.
Sherley, Michael M.
Sime, Brandon M.

Simler, Nicholas M.
Simon, Christopher J.
Skatrud, Kevin S.
Stalker, Mike L.
Steeber, Scott M.
Stoeber, Andrea M.
Stoikes, Bambi L.
Streuly, Curtis L.
Strouse, Craig L.
Swartout, Patricia L.
Taft, Ryan M.
Techmeier, Shannon L.
Thompson, Mark E.
Titus, Kimberly K.
Townsend, Emma R.
Trewyn, Krista L.
Twitty-Cleasby, Jill M.
Vera, Maria E.
Villalpando, Christopher D.
Vukovich, Mary Kay
Walsh, James E.
Weberg, Craig A.
Weberg, Karl R.
Wecker, Todd C.
Wenger, Ross D.
Wescott, Jason A.
Westness, Gregory N.
Williams, Jay M.
Wilson, Cedrick
Wilson, David C.
Wilson, Erin W.
Wolff, Grant G.
Wood, Jay L.
Young, Cassi L.

Employee Education



Personnel Changes



Ice Age Trail—Town of Harmony

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Jacob Arneson	Correctional Officer	February 16, 2015
Beth Kline	Administrative Assistant	February 16, 2015
Aaron Mikel	Correctional Officer	February 19, 2015
Amanda Huenefeld	Correctional Officer	February 24, 2015
Justin Behm	Correctional Officer	March 16, 2015
David Arndt	Correctional Officer	March 18, 2015
John Felde	Correctional Officer	March 21, 2015
Ashley Gladney	Correctional Officer	March 30, 2015
Tyler Eckert	Correctional Officer	March 31, 2015
Matthew Jones	Correctional Officer	April 13, 2015
Cory Mareno	Correctional Officer	April 15, 2015
Nicole Barrington	Administrative Assistant	July 6, 2015
Ryan Taft	Correctional Officer	July 12, 2015
Matthew Johnson	Correctional Officer	July 17, 2015
Austin Dietzel	Correctional Officer	July 20, 2015
Zachary Anacker	Deputy Sheriff	November 23, 2015

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Corene Bilhorn	Detective	January 17, 2015
Caleb Beutin	Sergeant	May 5, 2015
Stephanie Hemenway	Deputy Sheriff	June 1, 2015
Zachary Raby	Deputy Sheriff	July 13, 2015
Elijah Millard	Deputy Sheriff	September 19, 2015

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Benjamin Hein	Correctional Officer	March 20, 2015
Mark Olver	Correctional Officer	June 24, 2015
Jacquelyn Arnold	Correctional Officer	July 22, 2015
Tyler Eckert	Correctional Officer	July 27, 2015
Mitchell Morwood	Correctional Officer	August 15, 2015
Matthew Johnson	Correctional Officer	November 17, 2015

Retirements



RETIREMENTS

Warren Yoerger	Detective	January 16, 2015
John Cowan	Sergeant	April 4, 2015
Patrick Garvin	Deputy Sheriff	May 1, 2015
Gregory Niles	Deputy Sheriff	May 31, 2015
Timothy Roth	Deputy Sheriff	September 18, 2015
Steven Selby	Sergeant	December 23, 2015



Detective
Warren Yoerger
27 Years



Sergeant
John Cowan
26 Years



Deputy Sheriff
Pat Garvin
28 Years



Deputy Sheriff
Gregory Niles
25 Years



Deputy Sheriff
Timothy Roth
29 Years



Sergeant
Steven Selby
29 Years

With great recognition and appreciation for your years of loyal and dedicated service to the Rock County Community and the Rock County Sheriff's Office.

Award Recipients



Aerial River View — City of Janesville



Deputy of the Year—Deputy Sheriff
Bambi Stoikes

Deputy Stoikes has been a certified Humane Officer of the Rock County Sheriff's Office for the past three years. Deputy Stoikes has assisted in placing more than 300 animals in healthier living conditions, which has allowed the animals to receive the appropriate care they require.

Deputy Stoikes conducted a four month investigation which resulted in locating 61 caged roosters and items indicative of the roosters being bred to fight. During this investigation, 16 pounds of marijuana was also discovered.

Deputy Stoikes is positive, professional, and an excellent representative of the Rock County Sheriff's Office.

Correctional Officer Jason Brown has been with the Sheriff's Office since 2005 and excels in every position within the jail. As a rover, Officer Brown consistently assists others and completes additional tasks. Officer Brown is an active member of the CERT Team and is also responsible for the proper removal of property left at the jail longer than 30 days.

Officer Brown served his country in the U. S. Marine Corps and upon his suggestion, service member employees are recognized with a military pin worn on their work uniforms.

Officer Brown's work ethic, job enthusiasm, and dedication to the Sheriff's Office serves as an exceptional example to his co-workers.



Correctional Officer of the Year—Officer Jason
Brown



Civilian Employee of the Year—Public
Safety Utility Clerk Aubriana Banks

Aubriana Banks has been employed at the Rock County Sheriff's Office since 2012. She quickly learned her job duties and soon became the person others went to for assistance. Aubriana completes her duties in a timely manner. When she finishes one task, she finds another, often outside her required duties. Aubriana frequently assists other areas of the jail, including booking.

An active member of her community, Aubriana also volunteers at the Beloit Volunteer Center and CASA.

Aubriana's job performance is stellar, as she is a dependable and hard working individual, earning the respect of her co-workers and supervisors.

Award Recipients



Citizen Award—Byron Hill and David Yungen (not pictured)



Citizen Award—Kerry Ingredients



Citizen Award—Aramark Corporation



Citizen Award—Jim Haseman, Deb Grams, Barb Guse, Beverly Drew, RECAP Garden



Citizen Award—Shawn B. D. Smith, Midwest Patrol Investigations



Citizen Award—Mercy Health System

Award Recipients



Magnolia Bluff—
Magnolia Township



Commendation—Commander Troy Knudson

On February 6, 2014, Commander Troy Knudson was assigned to coordinate the investigation into the kidnapping of five-day-old infant Kayden Powell. Commander Knudson exhibited outstanding leadership skills when collaborating with the many agencies involved in this complex investigation. Under the leadership of Commander Knudson, information was gained that subsequently led to the Iowa search, resulting in the miraculous, safe recovery of Baby Kayden. Commander Knudson is a dedicated law enforcement administrator who is to be commended for his significant contribution to the successful outcome in this complex criminal investigation.



Unit Citation—Crash Reconstruction Team—Sgt. Ryan Ooms, Deputy Alicia Borth, and Deputy Chris Hasseler

The Rock County Sheriff's Office Crash Reconstruction Team responded to 13 emergency calls for service which included fatal traffic crashes, injury crashes, and assisting other jurisdictions. On April 20, 2015, the Reconstruction Team assisted with the investigation of a fatal hit and run traffic crash resulting in the death of two motorcyclists. With the Team's assistance, the driver was later located and charged with Hit and Run Causing Death.



F. Joseph Black Leadership Award—Captain Todd Christiansen

Captain Todd Christiansen is in charge of the Detective Bureau, SWAT Team, Special Investigations Unit, Mobile Field Force, and the Bureau of Identification. Under his leadership, the Detective Bureau has enhanced technological methods for investigations, the SWAT Team has implemented a threat matrix, and the Bureau of Investigation has been completely updated and computerized evidence tracking. Through the initiative of Captain Christiansen, these areas have come to the forefront of law enforcement in the Rock County community. The leadership he exhibits is in the highest tradition of the Sheriff's Office.

Award Recipients



Community Service Awards



Sgt. Jay Williams



Dep. Luke DuCharme



Director Kathy Sukus



Supv. Jason O'Connor



Dep. Josh Molter



Dep. Bradley London



Dep. Monica Fuentes



Dep. Chad Aldrich

Lifesaving Awards

Lifesaving Awards



CO Jaysen Cleasby



CO Jeremy Hoff



CO Andrea Stoever



CO Krystle Hubbard



Dep. Chris Krahn



CO Erin Wilson



Brandi Malcook, LPN



Chaplain David Kinnick

Sheriff's Award

Community Partnerships



POLAR PLUNGE



On February 14, 2015, eight staff members of the Rock County Sheriff's Office jumped into a pool of freezing water for the Whitewater Polar Plunge and raised \$2,800 for Special Olympics Wisconsin.

TORCH RUN



Many Sheriff's Office personnel ran in the 2015 Torch Run in support of Special Olympics Wisconsin on June 3, 2015. They jogged down Highway 14 to the Janesville Buffalo Wild Wings where they enjoyed lunch.

COPS ON A ROOFTOP



On the morning of August 14, 2015, several deputies and correctional officers climbed ladders to stand on the rooftops of both Janesville Dunkin Donuts locations to raise awareness and donations for Special Olympics Wisconsin. A total of \$2,000 was collected.

REGIONAL BOWLING AWARDS



Sergeants, deputies, and correctional officers presented awards at the Regional Special Olympics Wisconsin Bowling Tournament held October 10, 2015, at Black Bridge Bowl in Janesville.

Chief's Hiring Page



Red Bridge—City of Milton



During 2015, the Training Bureau staff, in collaboration with the Chief Deputy and Human Resources Department, assisted in a recruitment testing process for deputy sheriff in February, as well as correctional officer processes in February and August. As a result, 7 deputies and 12 correctional officers were hired in 2015.

Subsequently, in 2015, to become certified as Wisconsin Law Enforcement Officers, 5 new deputies attended the 520-hour Basic Law Enforcement Academy at Madison College. To prepare for filling upcoming vacancies in 2016, four correctional officers from the deputy eligibility list also attended the 520-Hour Basic Law Enforcement Academy at Madison College in the fall of 2015. To become certified as Wisconsin Jail Officers, 8 correctional officers attended the 160-hour Basic Jail Academy at Blackhawk Technical College. While the recruits attend an Academy, their academic performance is closely monitored by the Training Bureau staff.

Upon Academy graduation, the deputy sheriffs entered the 15-week Sheriff's Office Police Training Officer Program, and the correctional officers entered the 10-week Sheriff's Office Jail Training Officer Program. Both field training programs are managed by the Training Bureau staff. Training is a key component of our successful delivery of public safety services.



Speaker of the House Paul Ryan



Rock County
Sheriff's Office

December 2015



Commander of Correctional Services



2015 was a busy year for the Correctional Services Division. The Sheriff's Office continued to explore new ways to better serve the inmate population. One of the most significant undertakings was a rewrite of all General Orders and Standard Operating Procedures of the Division. These changes were necessary due to the State of Wisconsin publishing changes to the Administrative Code that governs correctional facilities (DOC 350). The changes are complete and have



Commander
Erik D. Chellevoid

Currently, the Wisconsin Databank Unit receives 12,000 DNA samples annually. It is anticipated that this number will increase at least fivefold.

The inmate tablets continue to be a significant inmate management tool which allows them to have access to such things as music, movies, news, games, magazines, religion, job search, education, law library, and the inmate rulebook. We have gradually expanded the options available to the inmates, and



been submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Corrections.

The Correctional Services Division purchased a new jail management software package through Spillman Corporation. A team of selected individuals coordinated this configuration project and it was successfully trained and installed in December. I am happy to report that this program is functioning as envisioned. This system is linked to our other county law enforcement partners and is giving officers on the street access to much more information.

In April, correctional staff took steps to comply with Wisconsin Act 20 which requires DNA samples to be collected from a new subset of criminals.

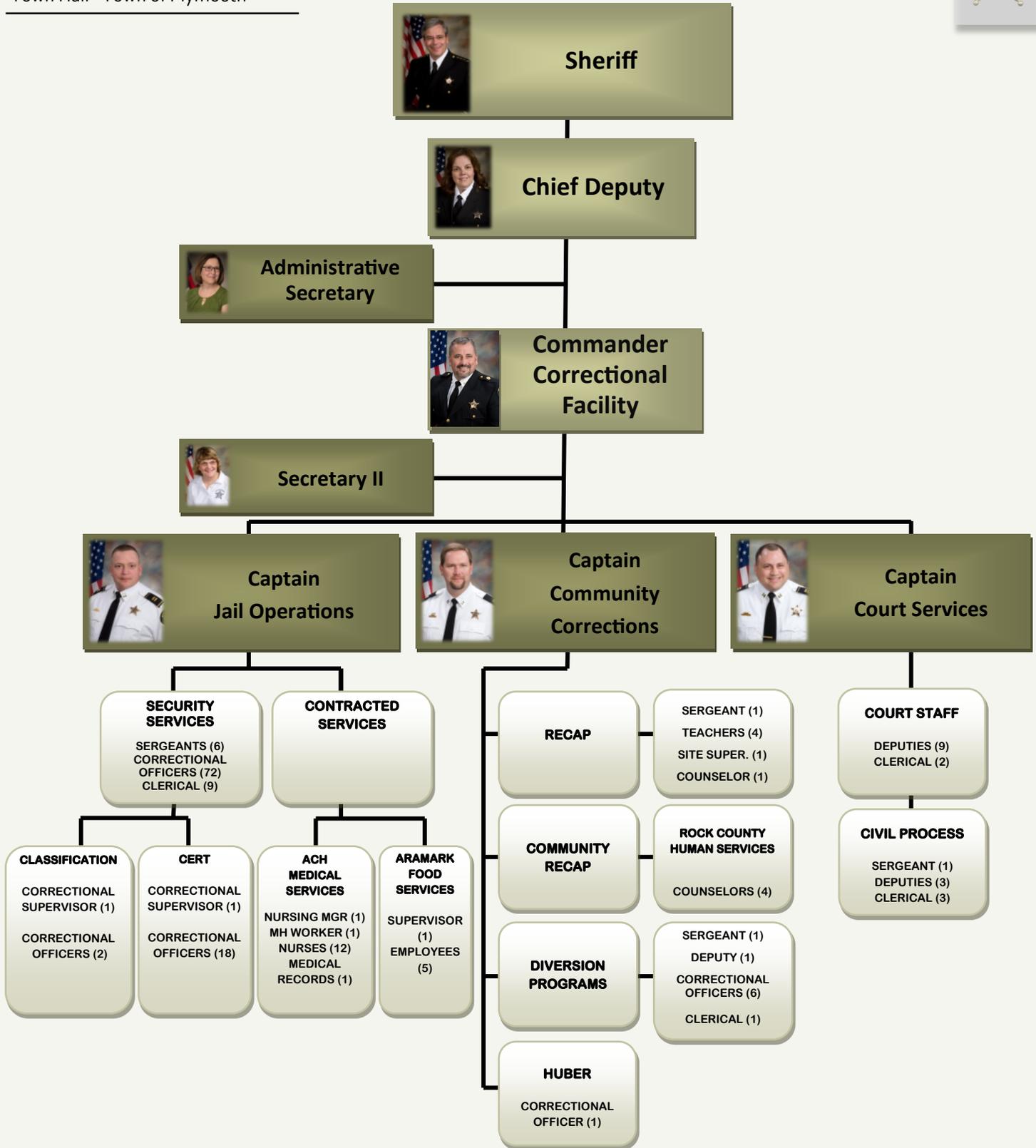
the average minutes utilized per month is over 200,000. We are informed by our vendor that our site is one of their top accounts in terms of usage.

In our continuing effort to offer inmate programming, we have entered into two agreements this past year. The first was with the United States Probation Office. This program is entitled "The Rock County Confined Treatment Alternative Program". Under this agreement, we agree to house working federal probation inmates for short jail stays, as a way to assist them with their re-entry efforts. In turn, the U. S. Probation Office compensates Rock County at the rate of \$35 per day. The second agreement was with the Wisconsin Department of Corrections (DOC). We have agreed to allow the DOC to offer "Thinking for Change" to select probation inmates within the secure portion of the jail. This program is a cognitive behavior change program for offenders that includes cognitive restructuring, social skill development, as well as, problem solving instruction. This program is taught by contracted staff through Lutheran Social Services.



Town Hall– Town of Plymouth

Correctional Services Organizational Chart



Correctional Facility



Captain
Craig L. Strouse

The most valuable resource in any organization is the first line staff that complete the mission. Staffing in corrections has been identified in news reports and by my colleagues as a significant issue facing many Sheriff's Offices and State Correctional Facilities. As the Operations Captain of the jail, I'm proud to report that the staff in the jail are well trained and committed to the Mission of the Sheriff's Office. The jail hired and trained nine new correctional officers in 2015. This included approximately 400 hours of in-house training and 160 hours of state mandated training to become certified as a correctional officer.



As we move into 2016, four additional officers are being trained in-house and two remain at the academy. Three other individuals have received tentative offers, which will bring our staffing levels to 100%. Those seven officers are projected to attend the academy in February of 2016 and should be fully trained by May. I project that overtime costs by month should then decrease through the end of the year.



Staff training is manpower intensive and stressful for staff. Training directly impacts overtime costs as a newly hired correctional officer does not fill an assigned post during the 560 hours it takes to completely train one officer. Those posts must be staffed at all times by trained personnel.



The jail is also a training grounds for future deputy positions. Law enforcement certification requirements are increasing significantly in 2016. That requirement was considered by administrators in 2015 as they made decisions about deputy positions. Seven correctional officers attended the Law Enforcement Academy at the reduced hours in an effort to save future costs. This did put additional strain on jail resources, but the Sheriff's Office as a whole benefited and will benefit again in 2016.

AVERAGE DAILY INMATE IN-HOUSE POPULATION

2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
423	397	426	431	401



Sergeant Aubrey



Sergeant Coulter



Sergeant Rossmiller



Sergeant Falk



Sergeant Scott



Sergeant Reed



Sergeant Beutin



Condensery—Village of Footville

Correctional Facility



2015 Jail Revenue	
Medical Co-Pay	\$ 14,704
U.S. Marshal	\$ 61,655
SCAAP/SSI	\$ 61,785
Commissary	\$119,524
Huber	\$149,229
WI DOC Felony Holds	\$155,761
Diversion	\$162,310
Municipal Holds	\$172,380
WI DOC RECAP	\$288,000
WI DOC Extended Supervision	\$336,188

The operational aspect of the jail went through numerous noteworthy changes. The jail policies were reviewed and updated to be in compliance with the new Administrative Code DOC 350. Many of the updates to the code were already being done as a part of previous practice, but additional physical checks and inspections now being completed increase the workload on the part of correctional staff.

Changes to the DNA collection laws also increased workload in 2015. The workload in the jail between 11:00 am and 7:00 pm (Monday through Friday) was identified as being the busiest times. New working hours were created and an officer was reallocated from second shift to increase staffing levels during the jail's busiest times. A second officer will be reallocated to this new shift from first shift staffing in the near future. This position will blend additional resources towards the busiest times and reduce workload from officers that had been doing DNA collection.

Other noteworthy changes include adding "Thinking for Change" (T4C) programming for select probation inmates and installing a new jail management software system (Spillman). T4C is an integrated, cognitive behavior change program for offenders that includes cognitive restructuring, social skills development, and development of problem solving skills. Offenders who participate in this program are less likely to relapse into criminal behavior after release. The program is twenty-five lessons currently being taught by Lutheran Social Service's Staff.



The Spillman project was a significant investment in training time, and conversion time that impacted the jail's overtime budget. The software transition was relatively smooth and the benefits of this new system are easily recognized in the jail. Law enforcement in general also benefit by having an integrated system to the records system they use. The surrounding agencies have access to our records, which includes being able to view offender photos in their squad.

From January 1, 2015, to December 31, 2015, 158 inmates went on Suicide watch. Officers conducted 43,566 suicide watch checks. Crisis intervention workers completed 227 evaluations throughout the year. The following lists the number of inmates evaluated each month.

SAFETY CELL CHECKS

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
30	0	13	42	52	0	0	0	0	31	0	7

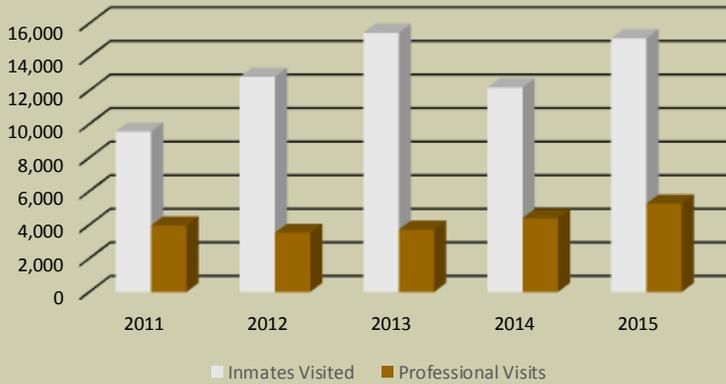
INMATES SEEN BY ROCK COUNTY CRISIS WORKERS

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
19	25	26	19	16	17	16	16	18	28	13	14

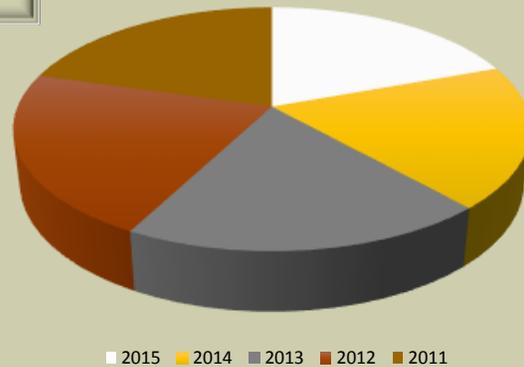
Correctional Facility



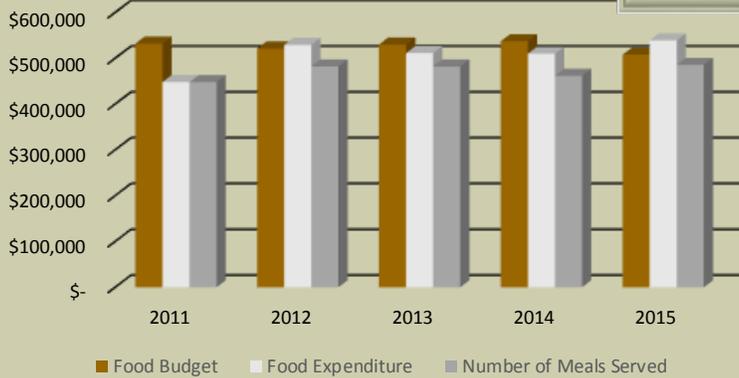
Visitation



Video Visitation



Expenditures/Meals Served



Medical Services





Leedle Mill Road Bridge—Town of Union

Correctional Facility



Classification Unit

Classification manages the housing of inmates within the Rock County Jail based on an objective classification system. Other responsibilities include data collection, filling open record requests, and the collection of fingerprints and DNA samples.

With new laws being implemented in 2015, the collection of DNA samples significantly increased from 2014 by 332%. An increase of fingerprint collection for the public from 2014 by 187% has developed these functions into one of the main responsibilities of the classification staff. Two days a week have been set aside for the public to come in for these services.

The Rock County Jail processed in 5,894 inmates in 2015 and the average length of stay was 28.77 days.



Correctional Supervisor Klusmeyer



Officer Meister



Officer Dodd

2015 Classification Statistics

New RSCO fingerprints	1451
Disposition sheets sent to courts	2015
Fingerprints done for public	219
Photo requests processed for media or other agencies	131
Phone recordings (discs)	67
Video recordings (discs)	59
DNA samples taken and submitted to state	372



Correctional Facility



Round Barn– City of Orfordville

Correctional Emergency Response Team (CERT)



The Rock County Correctional Emergency Response Team (CERT) is used for incidents within the Rock County Correctional Facility. Team members are trained in non-lethal tactics for situations such as fights, riots, and cell extractions. Each year members are certified in the use of tasers (Electronic Control Device) and pepperball launchers. The team is made up of correctional officers and a jail supervisor.

In 2015, CERT was activated four times with each incident resulting in compliance of the inmates upon the teams' arrival on scene. During the year, CERT provided a demonstration at National Night Out in Clinton, Wisconsin. Three new members were brought onto the team this year to replace outgoing members who were promoted or retired from the team.



Correctional Facility



Gang Intelligence Unit (GIU)



The Rock County Sheriff's Office Gang Intelligence Unit (GIU) currently consists of one Sergeant and three Correctional Officers. The GIU collects vital Intel on numerous gang members both in and out of the Rock County Jail. The GIU will often provide the information obtained on the gang members to correctional staff and deputies, along with outside agencies.

In 2015, the GIU dedicated a full-time position for 7 months in a support role to the "Stop the Violence" initiative in Beloit, WI. During that time the GIU interviewed numerous gang members about multiple shootings which took place in Beloit. The GIU also listened to numerous phone calls and watched video conversations, gaining valuable information in regards to retaliation shootings.

The GIU was able to identify over 40 new gang members who have not been incarcerated at the Rock County Jail. A majority of these individuals are juveniles who have attained the age of an adult and being placed in the Rock County Jail.

A goal in 2016 for the GIU is to provide additional awareness training to teachers and staff at local schools.



Sergeant Beutin



Officer Gajdosik



Officer Mauerman



Officer Hoff

Community Corrections Bureau



Captain
Curt N. Fell



Jail overcrowding and the expensive housing of inmates in other facilities, prompted the Rock County Sheriff's Office to create the Community Corrections Bureau. Electronic Monitoring and Workender programs were established to curb the jail overcrowding. These programs, along with the Rock County Criminal Addictions Program (RECAP) and Drug Court, make up the Community Corrections Bureau. The Bureau's main focus is to reduce overcrowding through community service and housing jail inmates in their own residences utilizing a virtual tether, as well as treating the reasons that inmates commit repetitive offenses resulting in a revolving door of inmates being incarcerated, released, reoffending, and incarcerated again.

The Bureau was created in 2007 and since the beginning, the Electronic Monitoring and Workender Program have saved millions of dollars for Rock County. Inmates serve their time at home, reducing overcrowding and expensive out-of-county housing and transportation costs. Prior to 2007, our inmates were housed in up to 14 different facilities statewide.

The Workender Program concentrates on not only having inmates serve their sentence out of jail but provides the inmate with an opportunity for positive contributions. They work at numerous charitable and non-profit organizations. These inmates provide a valuable service and are taking the first steps towards restorative justice by giving back to the community.



Sergeant Hansen



Sergeant Williams



Deputy Miller



Officer Roth



Officer Weberg



Officer Helling



Officer Karstetter



Officer Davis



Officer deLorimier



Assistant Esquivel

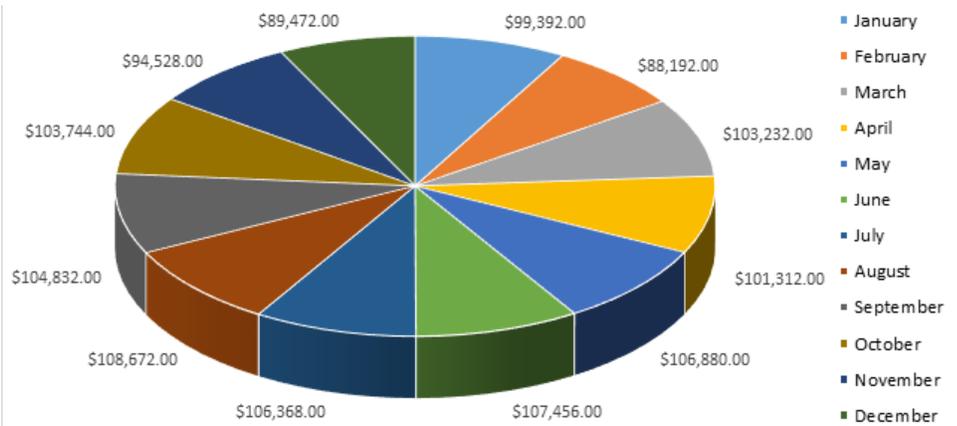
Community Corrections Bureau



Electronic Monitoring Program



The program utilizes Transdermal Alcohol Detector (TAD) and Global Positioning System (GPS) bracelets to track and restrict inmate movements. Offenders are screened for acceptance either during jail incarceration or prior to reporting to jail for their sentence. While on the program, they are frequently monitored by deputies assigned to the Community Corrections Bureau, as well as patrol deputies. During 2015, deputies performed 3,043 checks on these inmates to ensure their compliance. Correctional officers and administrative staff assigned to the Community Corrections Bureau, track inmate movements daily. The Diversion Program averaged 52 inmates daily and saved Rock County \$1,214,080 in jail bed days.



Workender Program

The Workender Program allows low risk inmates to work off their fines rather than be housed in the jail. The program places these sentenced inmates into an environment of serving the community such as shoveling snow and raking leaves for the elderly (through Council on Aging), Kandu, Salvation Army, Beloit Mobile Food Bank, local churches, cemeteries, and parks.

The inmate reports during designated days (two to four per week) and are transported and supervised at a work site by a Rock County Correctional Officer. The inmate reports for these assignments until their fine amount is satisfied. The inmate is credited \$50 per day worked. Each of the organizations served is governmental, non-profit, or charitable. During 2015, three hundred and eighty-nine inmates participated on work crews and accumulated over 10,500 hours of community service. The Workender Program served 118 organizations and cleared \$159,716 in arrest warrant commitments, that otherwise would have resulted in a higher and more costly jail inmate population.



Community Corrections Bureau



Community RECAP

Established in 1992, the Rock County Education and Criminal Addiction Program (RECAP) continued providing services to Rock County inmates who were either sentenced to the Program or referred by Probation and Parole as an alternative to revocation (ATR). One other way of entry into the program is for a sentenced inmate to voluntarily participate in the program. RECAP is a 5 month in-house drug and alcohol treatment program that focuses on the participant's addictions, provides educational services where needed, requires extensive community service hours, and assists the participant in reintegrating into society. Completion times vary based on individual progress and behavioral issues that may arise. Successful completion of the program occurs after all program requirements are met.



The Rock County Sheriff's Office works with the Cooperative Educational Services Agency 2 (CESA 2), Blackhawk Technical College, and the Wisconsin Department of Corrections (DOC). Blackhawk Technical College again received an Adult Education and Family Literacy Grant which helped offset the Sheriff's Office budget for RECAP. Blackhawk Technical College provided 4 teachers to assist with programming. The Department of Corrections allocated \$288,000.00 for RECAP services that are provided for individuals on probation who were facing revocation (ATR). The program counselor was again assisted throughout the year by the use of 3 different graduate level interns from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater who provided individual and group counseling to program participants

Community RECAP Program Components

- **Cognitive Intervention Program:** Thinking for Change (T4C)
- **Education:** Basic math, reading and writing, computer skills, employability training, parenting classes including a simulated baby, GED/HSED and/or continued education services
- **Restorative Justice:** Victim impact and crime reflection papers read out-loud in a group setting along with a minimum of 85-hours of community service
- **AODA:** Treatment and programming to include one-on-one and group counseling
- **Anger Management:** 12-lesson program used to reduce anger and understand the reason for anger



Indian Ford Dam-Town of Fulton

Community Corrections Bureau



Ninety inmates were admitted to RECAP in 2015. Seventy-three inmates successfully graduated from the RECAP program, which was the second highest rate since inception. Marijuana continued to be the most frequent drug of choice for participants while alcohol abuse came in second. Crack cocaine came in third and opiate abuse, including pills and heroin, continued to be on the rise as a drug of choice either primarily or secondary to other types of drugs.

A total of 123 jail inmates received educational services. Fifteen RECAP and two jail inmates received their HSED. The newly implemented computerized testing that began last year, continued into 2015. Due to changes to the entire testing procedure, GED testing became more challenging for the students that are incarcerated. Along with testing through Blackhawk Technical College, RECAP piloted the Ready, Set, College Program whereby students who showed interest in continued education were placed in a cohort that assisted them through the admission process. Two cohorts were used and a total of 15 students were assisted with several still attending BTC after discharge from RECAP.



Many inmates were assisted by the Department of Corrections program called Windows to Work. The program provided RECAP inmates with job training and related services in order to obtain and retain work either before or shortly after their release. In 2015, there were 21 RECAP inmates (12 new referrals) who received assistance from the program. Of the participants, 19 found employment, 2 obtained apartments (housing), 3 were assisted with driver license assessments with 1 receiving a license, and 11 received assistance with interviewing and related items such as clothing.

The RECAP inmates completed a total of 19,516 community service work hours for various not-for-profit organizations in 2015 with 5,576 hours dedicated to the RECAP Garden alone. The Salvation Army received the second highest hours of service with 2,086. Fifty-six distinct locations received community service hours from the RECAP participants throughout 2015.

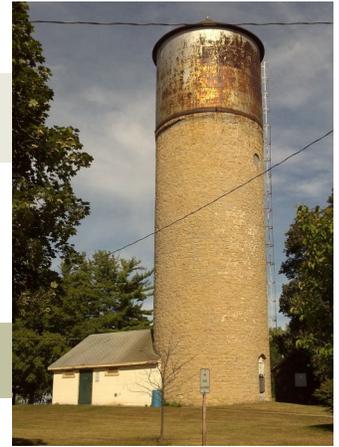
Canine Corrections Academy



Curly

The Canine Corrections Academy, which began in 2014 as a partnership between the Sheriff's Office RECAP program and the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin, continued this year. Select RECAP inmates were tasked with training a stray or abandoned dog in obedience and socialization so that it could be adopted to a good home. All related costs were covered completely through donations and no added costs were incurred by the Sheriff's Office. The Academy took in 7 dogs in 2015, four of which were adopted, with three of those completing the program.

Community Corrections Bureau



Water Tower— City of Clinton

RECAP Garden Program



The RECAP Garden is a 1½ acre plot on the old county farm. Inmates spent a total of 5,576 hours tending to the garden to include preparation, planting, weeding, and harvesting various fruits and vegetables. An annual open house and garden tour was held, providing inmates the opportunity to showcase what goes into planting and harvesting the garden. We held bi-weekly garden sales and continued the Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Program. Ten shares were sold and all those involved received an abundance of produce throughout the growing season. Once again, a CSA share was used for the Rock County Rock N' Wellness Program where county employees participating had the chance to win a basket throughout the growing season.



RECAP Supervisor O'Connor



Through the hard work and dedication of volunteers, the garden produced approximately 15,000 pounds of produce. Of that amount, approximately 12,000 pounds was donated to food pantries and other organizations throughout Rock County. The remainder went toward educational aspects for the RECAP participants and to the CSA shares and market sales. In an effort to reduce waste, produce that was unusable was taken to Sportsman's Park to feed the deer and to local pig farmers.



Drug Court

- Established in 2006 through a Treatment Alternatives and Diversion (TAD) Grant through the Office of Justice Assistance
- Cooperative agreement and partnership between the Rock County Courts, Sheriff's Office, District Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office, Rock County Human Services, and the Department of Corrections
- Participants enter through a post-conviction plea and agreement between the District Attorney's Office, which is then presented to the court for approval, OR through a referral by the Department of Corrections as an alternative to incarceration (ATR)
- Upon successful completion of the program, the participant may have their charges dismissed or significantly reduced
- Program is designed to provide treatment to offenders with substance abuse and/or co-occurring conditions which often result in criminal activity and arrest
- Program consists of 3 phases and lasts a minimum of 12-months

TREATMENT

AODA Programming

Cognitive Interventions-Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT)

Anger Management

Individual and Group/Family Counseling

Referral services for employment, housing, education, and any identified specialized needs

Mental health and medication-assisted treatment as necessary

In 2015, the Drug Court Program partnered with the Rock County Human Services Department for all in-house treatment and case management. That partnership proved to be a great decision in that participants began receiving a higher level, type, and quality of services, to include services that were either sourced out or unable to be provided in past years.

A total of 44 participants entered the Drug Court Program in 2015. Nine successfully competed and graduated from the program. Overall, 511 participants have been involved in the program with 245 successfully completing the program since January, 2007.

Similar to past years, AODA statistical data shows cannabis, or marijuana, continues to be the most abused drug across the population of Drug Court participants. Opioid abuse, including pills and heroin, are the second most commonly abused drugs but are catching up quickly to other drugs of choice.

Since its inception, Drug Court participants have averted a total of 77,872 jail and/or prison bed days which has been a significant cost savings to the tax payers of Rock County and the State of Wisconsin. More importantly, Drug Court has saved lives, reunited families, and assisted in integrating participants back into society as productive members.

Community Corrections Bureau



Cabin—Town of Clinton

Success Stories

RECAP

A 36-year-old male who had participated in the RECAP Program when he was 18 and is now 36 years old says when he was younger, he was so involved in negative things, that he had no idea where his poor choices were going to lead him. He states, "I came to the program this time run down emotionally and looked long and hard in the mirror. I have accepted my alcohol problem and now am ready to begin my new life. I have learned so much from this program and changed many of ways of thinking. I am very grateful for having been given the opportunity again to participate in RECAP. I am taking full advantage of all of the areas of this treatment. And I hope that someone out there is able to learn from my mistakes and make changes earlier in life. Thank you!!"

A 29-year-old male entered the program who admitted to being an addict and alcoholic who didn't want to listen to what anyone said because he thought he knew everything. The male was previously part of the Drug Court Program but had been terminated for various violations and continued use. He was then sentenced to RECAP. He claims to have lost everything, including family and friends. He stated, "At one time the only thing I owned was a needle and a cooker." He had been through previous treatment. He further stated, "This program helped me realize what needs to be done . . . I want to change and I was given the chance to. I have learned about where my addictions come from and what I can do to prevent myself from going back to where I was." While in RECAP, this male showed great improvement, insight, and the willingness to do what he needed to. He was also the main handler for two of the Canine Corrections Academy dogs.

DRUG COURT

A 28-year-old female was referred to the program by her probation officer because she was pregnant and continued IV heroin use. She was accepted into our program while two months pregnant and was referred immediately to the psychiatrist and started on the Subutex program. She participated in our intensive outpatient treatment which included group and individual counseling, as well as work on parenting skills. While in the program, she was able to reconnect with her 9-year-old daughter who is now living back in the home. She was able to remain drug free throughout her pregnancy and recently gave birth to a healthy baby girl.

A 26-year-old male was referred to the program by his probation officer as part of an ATR for his continued IV heroin use which was a problem for the last five years. He had just been treated in an outpatient group for the same problem. He struggled with alcohol and cocaine use while in the program. After being placed on jeopardy status and being required to attend additional treatment groups, as well as, community support meetings, he was able to recognize his addictive behaviors and has remained drug and alcohol free for the last eight months. He has developed healthy relationships with individuals in the recovering community, as well as improving his relationships with family. He is now scheduled to graduate the program in February of 2016 and intends to continue attending support meetings as an aftercare plan.



Court Services

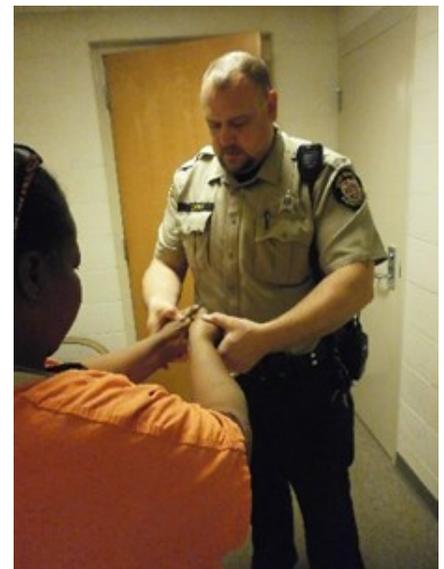
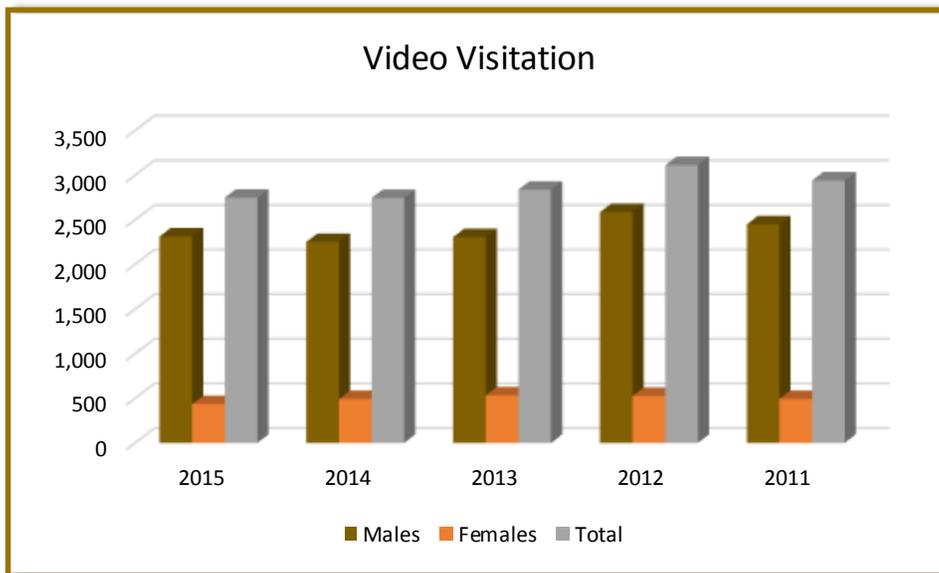


The Court Services Bureau's main responsibilities are ensuring safety. This includes securing the Rock County Courthouse; also, transportation of adult and juvenile inmates to and from the Courthouse, other correctional facilities, and mental health institutions.

Captain
Brent S. DeRemer

In 2015, the Court Services Bureau added a correctional officer position to the staffing at the Courthouse. The correctional officer is assigned to the Rover duties in the lock-up area of the Sheriff's Office jail at the Courthouse. This allows Court Services to better utilize a deputy position for transports and court room security. In the future, two more correctional officers will be added to the staffing to assist courts with DNA collection and fingerprinting at the courthouse.

Video Court is held at 3:00PM, Monday through Friday. This video transmission allows the court to conduct several types of hearings without the necessity of transporting inmates to the Courthouse.



Deputy Wecker



Deputy Reckard

Deputy Johns



Deputy Hanthorn

Deputy Harding



Court Services



Deputy Streuly



Deputy Lund



Deputy Keller



Deputy Boeche



Officer Sherley



Officer Morrison



Clerk Engeman



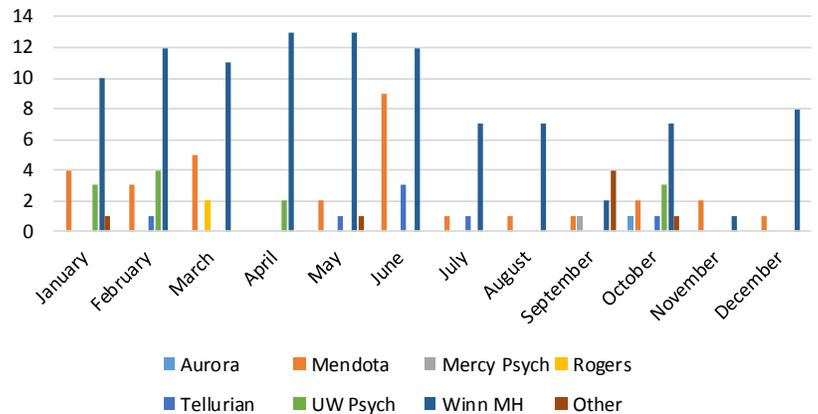
Clerk Clark

Law Enforcement Services Patrol Bureau continues to assist with mental health transports. Overtime for these transports in 2015 exceeded \$30,000.

In addition to the mental health trips, Court Services deputies transported 60 inmates to medical appointments during 2015.

Also during 2015, Court Services drove a total of 109,415 miles and transported 3,784 inmates to the Courthouse and return with no negative incidents (medical issues, escapes, misconduct by inmates).

Mental Health Transports



	Trips to Other Correctional Institutions	Trips from Other Correctional Institutions	Extraditions	Warrants Cleared
2014	551	540	43	351
2015	593	520	46 *	265

* 32 by Deputies and 14 by contracted services.

Civil Process and Warrants



Wisconsin State Statute 59.27(4) provides a statutory duty of the Sheriff to “Personally, or by the undersheriff or deputies, serve or execute all processes, writs, precepts and orders issued or made by lawful authority and delivered to the Sheriff”. A wide range of papers, including injunctions, temporary restraining orders, subpoenas, eviction notices, notices of foreclosure, and other legal documents are accepted for service.

The Civil Process/Warrants Bureau is staffed with one Sergeant, three Sheriff Deputies, and three Administrative Assistants covering two shifts.

The Civil Process Bureau received 4,957 new papers for service in 2015. The Civil Process Bureau Administrative Assistants log, prepare, and do billing/invoicing for all papers received. The Sergeant and Deputies’ primary responsibilities include serving civil process, foreclosure sales, and evictions. The bureau has two first-shift and one second-shift clerical positions that serve as both civil and criminal process administrative assistants and are Advanced T.I.M.E. System certified. Sgt. Wood served as the Sheriff’s Office T.I.M.E. System Coordinator.

The Warrant Bureau is comprised of two civilian administrative staff that are responsible for processing, tracking, verifying, and entering of all warrants into the local Spillman System along with entering of warrants into NCIC (National Crime Information Center). The Warrant Bureau coordinates with the Court Services Bureau for the pickup of prisoners at other institutions, including pickups for other agencies from Rock County. The Warrant Bureau records and keep files on domestic abuse, child abuse, and harassment temporary restraining orders and injunctions for all of Rock County. The Warrant Bureau enters all stolen property and missing persons into the T.I.M.E. System as well. At present, two administrative assistants are trained in validating all T.I.M.E. System entries on a monthly basis.

Due to the seriousness of handling warrants, there are strict Federal and State guidelines, as well as time limits that have to be met in the process of tracking and verifying warrants on a daily basis. On average, this division receives approximately 3,300 warrants a year. The administrative assistants maintain the validity of these warrants on a continuous basis and also assist officers with warrant checks and unlocking the mysteries of those evading capture by giving false and/or no identifying information.

During 2015, the Warrant Bureau received 2,883 new warrants. 1,997 warrants were served and 775 warrants were recalled.



Sergeant Wood



Deputy Garvin



Deputy Negus



Deputy Bittorf



Assistant Miller



Assistant Krause



Assistant Firkus

Correctional Staff



CO Roth



CO Noble



CO Gerber



CO Ruble



CO Danielson



CO Weberg



CO Meister



CO Helling



CO Karstetter



CO Pepper



CO Halvorsen



CO Jeannette



CO Gajdosik



CO Mauerman



CO Vukovich



CO Schuler



CO Davis



CO Keen



CO Cleasby



CO Meyer



CO Techmeier



CO Hoff



CO Wilson



CO Brown



CO Roeder



CO Mansfield



CO Ford



CO Reilly



CO Simon



CO Dodd



CO Larson



CO Hillis



CO Schilt



CO deLorimier



CO Cleasby



CO Elliott



CO Banks



CO Wilson



CO Plach



CO LaGrange



CO Young



CO Wolff



CO Garetson



CO Vera



CO Stoever



CO Titus



CO McElroy



CO Berg



CO Morris



CO Bondehagen



CO Dassow



CO Miller



CO Mussomeli



CO Sime



CO Trewyn



CO Hubbard



CO Simler



CO Arneson



CO Fraser



CO Loehe



CO Townsend



CO Kelly



CO St. Michael



CO Mikel



CO Huenefeld



CO Behm



CO Arndt



CO Felde



CO Gladney



CO Jones



CO Mareno



CO Taft



CO Dietzel



Assistant Riemer



Clerk Enloe



Clerk Banks



Clerk Glissendorf



Clerk Kowal

Correctional Staff

Commander of Law Enforcement Services



Commander
Troy J. Knudson

The year 2015 will certainly be remembered for the “Stop the Violence” initiative in Beloit. From late February through August, Sheriff’s deputies devoted more than 5,000 hours to patrolling the streets of Beloit. As a result of their efforts, the city did see a significant reduction in the amount of criminal violence and citizens regularly expressed their appreciation for our high-profile presence. This successful initiative could not have been accomplished without significant personal sacrifice on the part

of our relatively small staff of sworn law enforcement personnel. I was extremely proud of their willingness to serve, as well as, their proactive and professional policing. Additionally, the pursuit of professionalism and continual improvement remained one of the highest priorities for this past year. All sworn staff receive daily training on updated policies and national best practices for law enforcement. The Sheriff’s Office spearheaded another successful effort to secure grant funding to provide law enforcement officers throughout the county with additional training to improve our response to those suffering from mental health related concerns. Lastly, we received a significant grant from the Hendricks Family Foundation to improve and update outdated recording equipment in our interview rooms. This acquisition strongly bolstered our philosophy and efforts to increase transparency by providing the best video documentation of our interaction with citizens as possible.

Finally, as you review the following pages, you will see where our staff has, once again, responded and successfully resolved a wide variety of natural and man-

made emergencies and disasters. While many of the criminal investigations, SWAT deployments, and highway interdiction efforts make good reading, I think that it is worth highlighting a few of the more innovative and unusual efforts that we were involved in. For instance, it was very rewarding to witness the safe and speedy return of an elderly, disoriented man who was a participant in the Project Lifesaver program. It was also interesting to observe how the Recreational Safety Team was able



to coordinate with the Janesville Fire Department to remove toxic smoke from a building utilizing the Sheriff’s Office airboat as a giant fan.

Lastly, it was gratifying to observe the Emergency Management office respond to a tornado in Rock County in July, where its planning and coordination efforts were tested and exercised. In many ways, the role of the Sheriff’s Office continues to expand year after year.

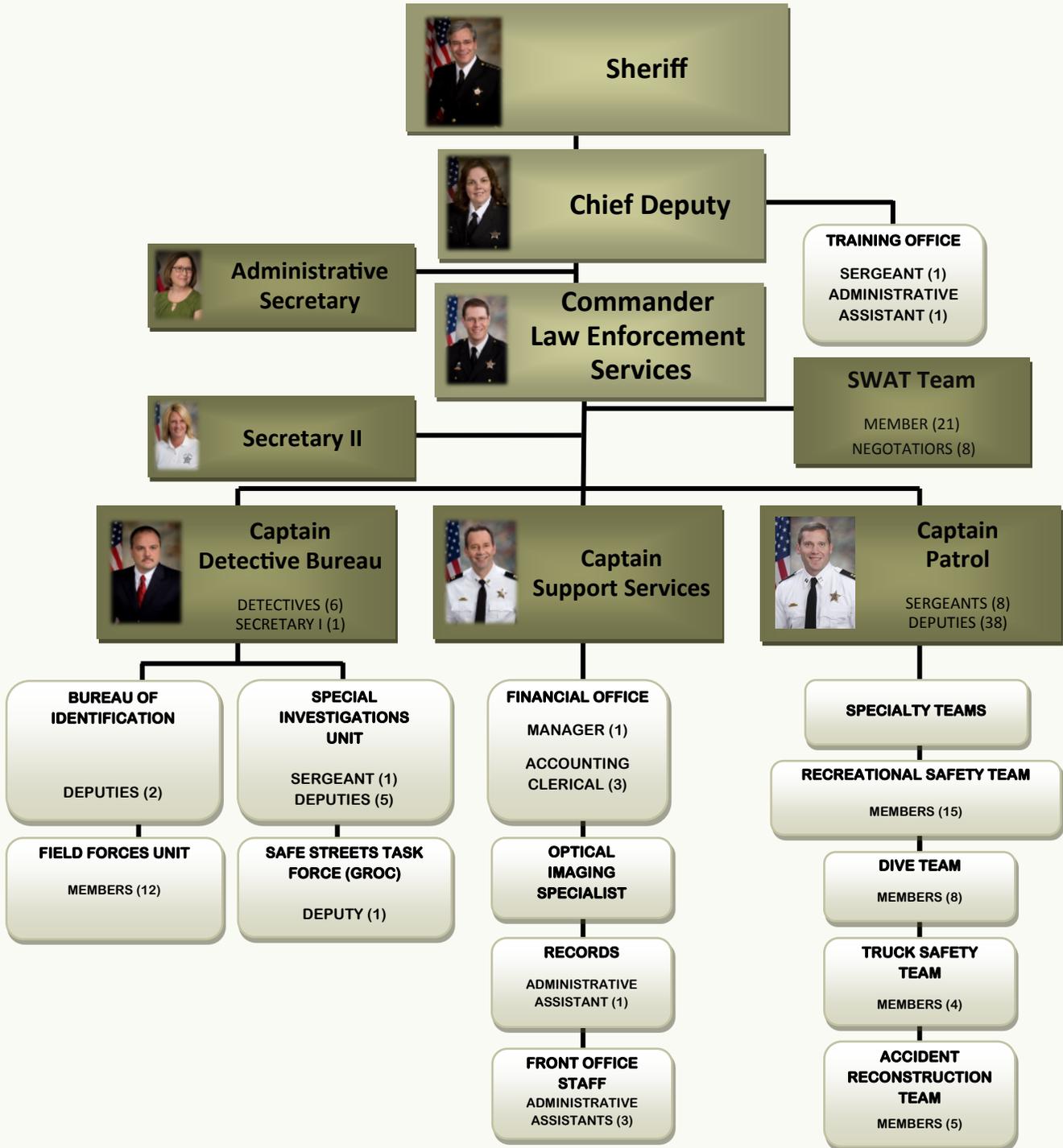


Through innovation, cooperation, and continual improvement, the Sheriff’s Office always strives to have a positive impact on our community and our citizen’s lives.



The Armory—City of Janesville

Law Enforcement Services Organizational Chart



Patrol Bureau



Captain
Jude G. Maurer

In 2015, the Patrol Bureau received 22,549 calls-for-service, which is a 4.3 percent increase from 2014. During the last five years, calls-for-service have increased an average of 7 percent per year. Despite the unsolicited rise, the number of deputies assigned to the Patrol Bureau has remained unchanged for years.

Aside from patrolling rural Rock County and municipalities not represented by a full-time law enforcement agency, the past year was unique and challenging due to a request Sheriff Spoden received from Beloit Police Chief Norm Jacobs on February 26, 2015. The request was for Sheriff Spoden to assign deputies in patrolling the City of Beloit – exclusively. The need for collaboration in creating a surge of law enforcement efforts in the City of Beloit was directly related to acts of violence, including eight homicides in 2014 and frequent reports of shots fired incidents.

On February 27, 2015, at 11:00 a.m., deputies began patrolling two neighborhoods of Beloit most prone to violence: Target Area East and Target Area West. Their mission was to help Beloit police reduce disorder through problem solving and gaining the community’s cooperation through a strategy called “Stop the Violence Initiative.” The strategy led to numerous praises from citizens for returning order to their neighborhoods, as well as reducing “shots fired” complaints by 30 percent.



Patrol Bureau



By year's end, deputies provided 7,459 law enforcement service hours to the City of Beloit at a cost of \$369,487. Further, deputies made 350 warrant arrests, 201 fresh arrests, conducted 2,865 traffic stops, issued 2,402 citations, 1,523 warnings, and assisted Beloit officers on 2,116 calls-for-service. In addition to these figures, deputies assisted in multiple, joint warrant sweeps in which violent, wanted persons were targeted and arrested.

As in previous years, but especially in 2015, deputies demonstrated resiliency, commitment, professionalism, and an unwavering desire in restoring tranquility throughout our Rock County community.

<p>JANUARY 16</p> <p>Allen F. Brown, 80, was found deceased by a hunter in the area of Highway 59 and Riley Road after having been listed missing by the Milton Police Department on January 7. Mr. Brown's death was attributed to cold weather exposure, following a single-vehicle accident in which he was the driver.</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 7</p> <p>Deputies offered snowmobile education to area residents at the Rock County Job Center. Anyone born on or after January 1, 1985 is required to complete a snowmobile safety course.</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 8</p> <p>Deputies arrested Derik Cree, 27, of Mineral Point after he exposed his genitals to employees while in the drive-thru of the McDonald's Restaurant in Newville. Cree admitted to exposing himself similarly on several separate occasions in late 2014. Ultimately, Cree was charged with two felony counts of Exposing Genitals in a Public Area and four counts of Lewd and Lascivious Behavior.</p>
<p>FEBRUARY 15</p> <p>Speed and failure to wear seatbelt were contributing factors in the death of 22-year-old Cody L. Radar of Brodhead. The single-vehicle accident occurred on Highway 11 near Potter Road.</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 27</p> <p>Sheriff Spoden, at the request of Beloit Police officials, agrees to assign deputies to patrol the City of Beloit. The request and agreement is in response to the increase in violence and the Beloit Police Department's "Stop the Violence Initiative and Community Engagement Program".</p>	<p>MARCH 6</p> <p>In response to the Beloit Initiative, deputies and officers cleared 17 warrants in the arrest of 8 persons.</p>
<p>MARCH 13</p> <p>Following threats to kill police and civilians, deputies arrested 45-year-old Timothy S. Votaw of Janesville after a lengthy pursuit on Interstate 90. During the pursuit, Mr. Votaw swerved his vehicle at law enforcement personnel who were trying to deploy tire deflation devices. Mr. Votaw was charged with Felony Fleeing and Recklessly Endangering Safety.</p>	<p>MARCH 27</p> <p>Deputies and detectives were summoned to a residence in 12000 block of Highway 81 for a child sexual assault complaint. A search warrant was executed, which led to the arrest of the homeowner David G. Wenzel, 57, on the charges of Sexual Exploitation of a Child, 70 counts of Possession of Child Pornography, Representations Depicting Nudity, Possession of THC, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.</p>	

Patrol Bureau



APRIL 11

On April 11 and 18, deputies conducted Hunter Education training for area residents at the Edgerton Conservation Club.

APRIL 25

A Boater Safety Education Course was taught to area residents by deputies at the Rock County Job Center. Anyone born on or after January 1, 1989 is required to complete the course.

MAY 6

While working the Beloit Initiative, deputies spotted a stolen vehicle, which led to a pursuit. Ultimately, the driver, 22-year-old Miguel A. Hernandez of South Beloit, jumped from the stolen vehicle and tried to flee on foot. Mr. Hernandez was caught in short order and charged with Fleeing, Recklessly Endangering Safety, OWI, Operating a Motor Vehicle Without the Owner's Consent and numerous traffic charges.

MAY 18

Jessica L. Kay, 41, of Edgerton died when the operator of the vehicle in which she was a passenger failed to stop at a stop sign, resulting in a collision with a semi-tractor. The accident occurred in the intersection of Highway 11 and Highway H.

JUNE 3

Deputies and other area law enforcement officers participated in the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run. The run began at the Sheriff's Office and ended at Buffalo Wild Wings. The event raised money and awareness in providing year-round sports training and competition for athletes with intellectual disabilities.

JUNE 11

Eighteen arrest warrants were cleared after deputies and officers from Beloit arrested six persons during a warrant sweep. The joint warrant sweep was in support of the "Stop the Violence Initiative".

JUNE 23

Cops and Bobbers, a fishing event in which youth fish alongside deputies, was held at the Anchor Inn. Twenty-five area youth participated in the event; aside from fishing, the youth received free T-shirts and lunch.

JUNE 25

A single-vehicle accident on Highway Y resulted in the death of 57-year-old Donald Rortvedt of Milton.

JULY 15

Deputies were informed Hermes D. Miller, 83, of rural Janesville was missing, according to family. Extensive efforts in tracing Mr. Miller's whereabouts allowed deputies to find him lost, but safe, in Redfield, South Dakota. With assistance from Redfield authorities, Mr. Miller was eventually reunited with his family.

AUGUST 1

A homeowner in the 11000 block of N. Ridge Road in Milton Township, held an intruder at bay until deputies could arrive. 31-year-old James S. Hergert of Milton was subsequently arrested for Burglary and Attempted Theft.

JULY 14

The second event for Cops and Bobbers was held at Riverside Park Lagoon in Beloit.



Train Depot—Town of Orfordville

Patrol Bureau



<p>AUGUST 3</p> <p>An 81-year-old rural Rock County man was found safe by deputies assigned to the Project Lifesaver Program after the man went missing for more than 30-minutes. The man was wearing a bracelet provided by the Lifesaver Program, which enabled deputies in locating him quickly.</p>	<p>AUGUST 4</p> <p>The annual Sheriff’s Office National Night Out event was held in Clinton. Hundreds of families throughout Rock County enjoyed free food, free raffle prizes, games, kids’ activities, and demonstrations performed by Sheriff’s Office specialty teams.</p>	<p>AUGUST 14</p> <p>Deputies and correctional officers participated in the Special Olympics “Cops on a Rooftop” event held at the Milton and Center Avenue Dunkin Donuts Stores. All proceeds went to support Wisconsin Special Olympic Athletes.</p>
<p>AUGUST 17</p> <p>Cortez M. Tucker, 25, of Rockford was found possessing 62.5 grams of cocaine, 4.5 grams of crack cocaine, and \$3950 in cash. A deputy observed Mr. Tucker partake in a drug transaction, and when the deputy tried to stop Mr. Tucker’s vehicle, Mr. Tucker fled. The pursuit ended when Mr. Tucker’s vehicle tire was deflated by a tire deflation device. Mr. Tucker was arrested on several felony charges related to drug possession.</p>	<p>AUGUST 22</p> <p>The third and final event for Cops and Bobbers was held at the Janesville Kiwanis Pond.</p> <p>SEPTEMBER 19</p> <p>On September 19 and 26, deputies conducted Hunter Education training for area residents at the Edgerton Conservation Club</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER 21</p> <p>A single-vehicle accident on Highway K near Hafeman Road resulted in the death of the driver, Patrick C. Zweifel, 25, of South Wayne, WI.</p>
<p>OCTOBER 3</p> <p>Deputies and personnel from the Sheriff’s Office hosted Gutter Busters at Janesville’s Rivers Edge Bowling Alley. The community-based program, which is offered through the Cops and Kids Foundation, helps steer youth away from crime. Twenty-five area youth participated in the event.</p>	<p>OCTOBER 19</p> <p>Deputies arrested Jeffery M. Helin, 41, of Edgerton after he eluded Troopers on Interstate 90. Mr. Helin fled on foot into Rock River Leisure Estates where he drove off in a golf cart after crashing his vehicle near the Newville Bridge. He was arrested minutes later on Kidder Road for Operating a Motor Vehicle Without the Owner’s Consent, Resisting Arrest, and warrants for Domestic Violence.</p>	<p>OCTOBER 26</p> <p>Deputies assigned to the Project Lifesaver Team were called to the 16000 block of W. Dorner Road for a missing 82-year-old man. Within minutes of activating the equipment and zeroing in on the signal coming from the man’s bracelet, deputies found him safe.</p>

Patrol Bureau



NOVEMBER 1

Ralph E. Kottke Jr., 58, of Albany, died in a single-vehicle accident in the 8000 block of N. Highway H.

NOVEMBER 7

The second Gutter Busters event was held at Beloit's Diamond Lanes Bowling Alley.

DECEMBER 5

Deputies conducted ATV Education training for area residents at the Rock County Job Center.

DECEMBER 7

After crashing his vehicle at the intersection of Highway 213 and Plymouth Church Road, deputies arrested Paul D. Fromandi, 49, of Janesville for 6th Offense OWI.

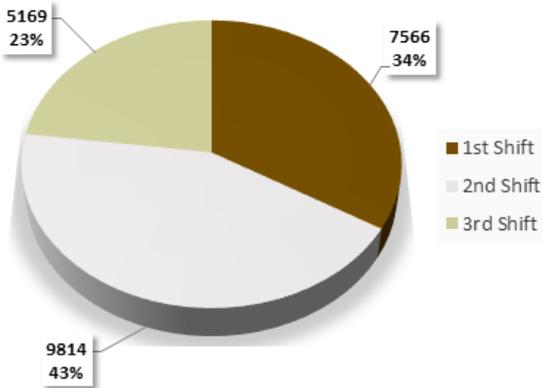
DECEMBER 12

Deputies conducted Snowmobile Education training for area residents at the Rock County Job Center.

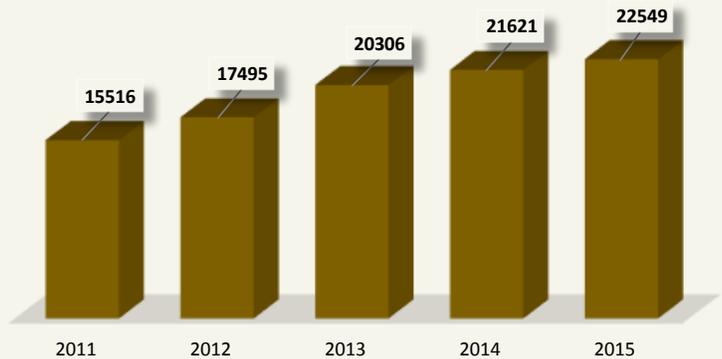
DECEMBER 28

A single-vehicle accident led to the arrest of Robin S Martinez, 45, of Janesville for 3rd Offense OWI, and two counts of OWI Causing Injury. Two passengers in Martinez's vehicle were treated and released for injuries sustained in the crash.

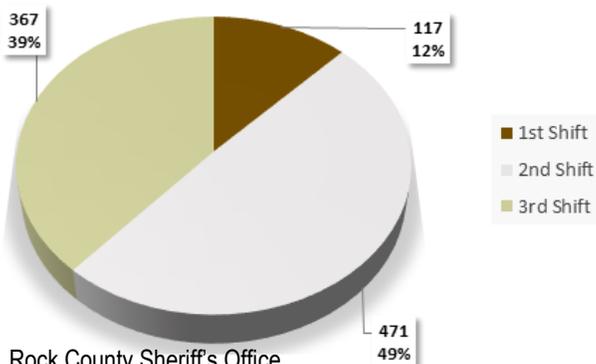
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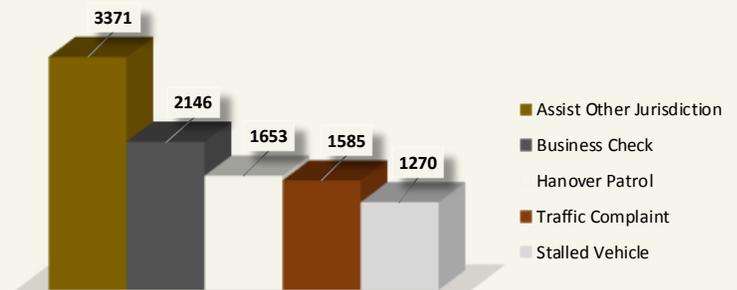
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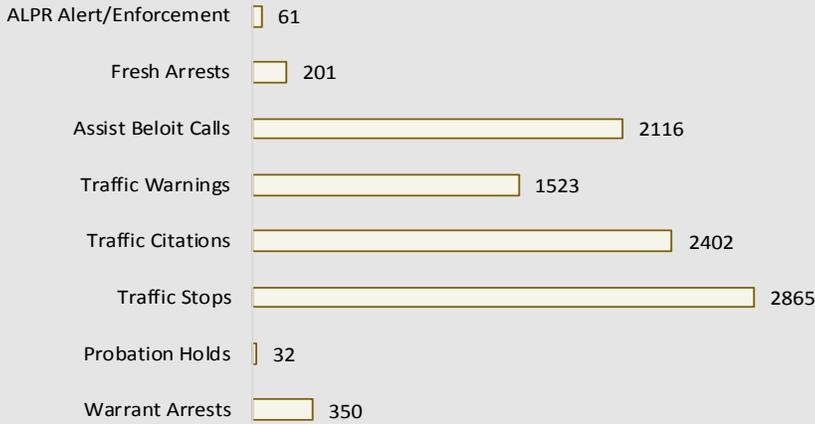
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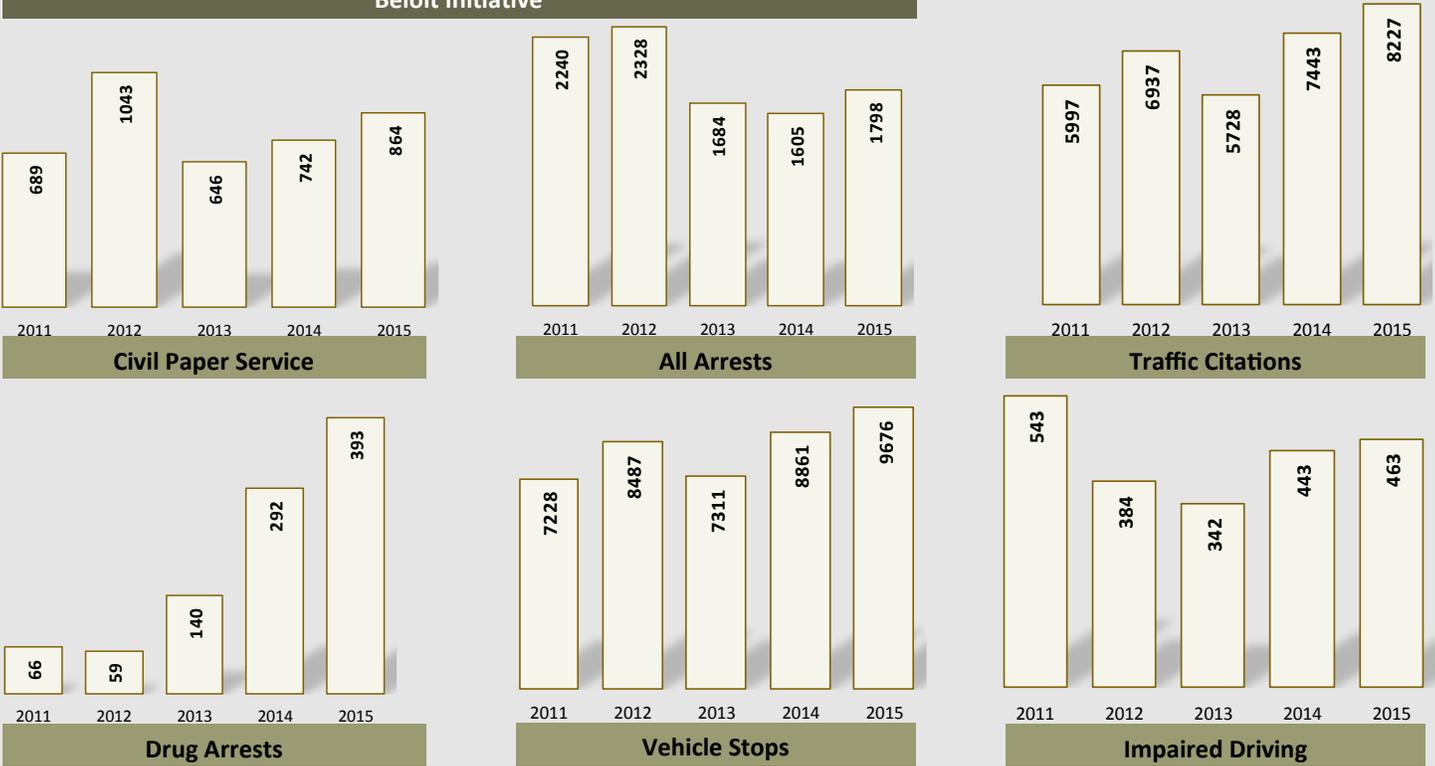
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Patrol Bureau



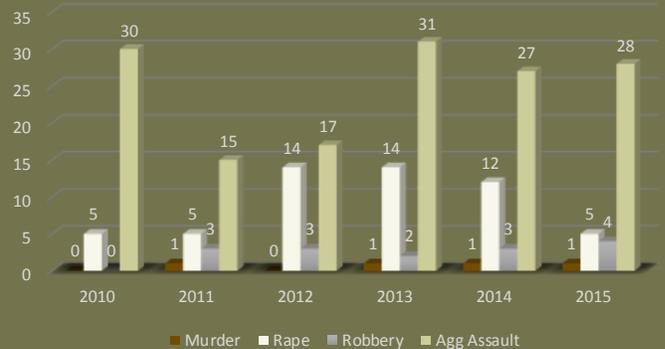
Beloit Initiative



Property Crimes



Violent Crimes



Detective Bureau



Captain
Todd A. Christiansen

The Rock County Sheriff's Office Detective Bureau is comprised of one Captain, six Detectives, one Secretary I, and a part-time Investigative Assistant. The investigative assistant is a non-sworn position and that person works part-time completing background investigations. The detectives are split between two shifts. Four work first shift 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and two work second shift 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. The detectives are considered general detectives, meaning they investigate any type of crime assigned to them. Detectives investigate a variety of crimes against people and property. Most of the criminal investigations are felonies such as homicides, sexual assaults (adults and children), burglary, robbery, arson, computer crimes, and theft over \$2,500. The Detective Bureau also assists other police departments in Rock County with criminal investigations when requested. The Special Investigations Unit (SIU) is closely associated with the Detective Bureau. SIU and the detectives often assist each other with investigations.



Det. Bilhorn

Detective Yoerger retired from the Sheriff's Office in January 2015. He joined the Sheriff's Office in 1988, was promoted to detective in 2006, and the last 8 years was working in the Detective Bureau. Det. Bilhorn was promoted to detective in January of 2015 and took over for Detective Yoerger.

In 2015, Rock County Sheriff's Office detectives initiated 213 new criminal investigations. The detectives served 38 search warrants, made 271 arrests and referred 67 cases to the District Attorney's Office for arrest warrants. 137 background investigations were also completed in 2015.



Det. Kamholz



Det. Knutson



Det. Meister



Det. Reilly



Det. Betley



Secretary Hill



Investigator
Johnson

The following are a couple of the higher profile cases that the Rock County Sheriff's Office detectives investigated in 2015.



In March of 2015, Rock County Deputies were called out to STH 81 in the Town of Newark for a suspicious person complaint. An adult female was using the bathroom at a relative's house when she observed a camera that was being concealed in a heat vent in the bathroom. The camera was pointed at the toilet. The reporting person became concerned and reported this to the Sheriff's Office. Detectives were contacted and began the investigation. The suspect had a prior sexual assault conviction. A search warrant was served on the suspect's address by

detectives. The camera was located along with other evidence of child pornography and evidence of the suspect manufacturing child pornography. The suspect was arrested for 69 counts of Possession of Child Pornography and 1 count of Manufacturing Child Pornography. The Manufacturing Child Pornography count was charged in federal court. The suspect remains in custody and is awaiting sentencing.

Detective Bureau



In May of 2015, officers from the Town of Beloit were sent to an address in the 1900 block of Dewey Avenue in the Town of Beloit for a check welfare complaint. During the course of their investigation, they discovered a body being concealed in the garage of this residence. Rock County deputies were called for assistance and shortly after that the adult male resident at that location was taken into custody. Rock County detectives were called shortly after that and asked to take over the investigation for the Town of Beloit. Detectives, along with Rock County Sheriff's Office Evidence Technicians, processed the scene pursuant to a search warrant detectives had obtained for this property. The victim was identified and it was discovered that she had met the suspect through a Back Page ad on the internet. Evidence at the scene led detectives to believe that the victim and the suspect got into a physical altercation at that location and the suspect ended up killing the victim. Detectives later interviewed the suspect and he eventually confessed to the crime and told detectives what occurred on the night in question. His account of what happened that night and early morning confirmed what evidence at the scene suggested happened. The suspect has been in custody at the Rock County Jail since the homicide and is currently pending trial.



In July of 2015, officers from the Town of Beloit, City of Beloit, and deputies from the Rock County Sheriff's Office responded to the 1900 block of Harrison Avenue in the Town of Beloit for a shots fired complaint. Officers soon learned that one person had been shot in the leg at that location and was in need of medical attention. The victim was transported to Beloit Memorial Hospital for the gunshot wound to the leg. The wound was not life threatening and the victim survived. Rock County Sheriff's Office detectives were asked to investigate this shooting. Detectives responded to the scene and hospital, and began their investigation. Through interviews of the people present at the time of the shooting, and talking with the victim, a possible suspect was developed. The victim told detectives he was not sure who shot him and other witnesses said they could not positively identify the suspect. The suspect was eventually contacted by detectives but he refused to talk. This case remains open as detectives do not have enough probable cause to make an arrest in this case at this time.

During the early morning hours of September 5, 2015, officers from the Town of Beloit, City of Beloit, and the Rock County Sheriff's Office were called to the 1900 block of Nelson Avenue for a shots fired complaint. The first responding



officers were told that an eight-year-old child had been struck by a bullet. The child was in her bed inside the house when the shots were fired. It was later determined that she was hit by wood splinters from one of the rounds that went through her bedroom wall and struck the headboard of her bed. The child received minor injuries that did not require hospitalization. Rock County Sheriff's Office detectives were asked to investigate this case. They responded to and processed the scene, looking for evidence. It was discovered that two houses in this area were struck by bullets from this incident. A neighborhood canvas was completed. No suspects were identified and this case remains open.

Detective Bureau



The Rock County Sheriff's Office continues to be an Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) affiliate. The Sheriff's Office has one detective that dedicates a significant amount of his time investigating ICAC cases.

The Rock County Sheriff's Office Detective Bureau remains a team of dedicated detectives that proudly serve the citizens of Rock County by conducting professional, objective, and complete criminal investigations centered on solving crimes and holding perpetrators accountable.

DETECTIVE BUREAU STATS	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
New criminal offenses	293	173	167	148	213
Criminal offenses worked from prior years	55	96	23	41	36
Total criminal offenses worked	348	269	190	189	249
Cases assisting other agencies	638	662	584	683	581
Cases on information only/intelligence reports/ incidents	2	1	1	0	0
Background/internal investigations	106	102	122	104	137
Total reports worked	1,094	1,034	897	976	967

CLEARANCE RATES	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Criminal offenses solved	40%	57%	58%	67%	78%
Criminal offenses unsolved	60%	43%	42%	33%	22%
BREAKDOWN					
Criminal offenses solved	134	138	101	108	174
Criminal offenses unfounded	6	15	9	19	19
Criminal offenses unsolved	208	116	80	65	56
Total	348	269	190	189	249



Special Investigation Unit (SIU)



Rock River Bridge—City of Janesville

The Special Investigation Unit (SIU) consists of one Sergeant and five full-time Deputy Sheriffs. Officers from other jurisdictions, to include Clinton, Edgerton, Evansville, Milton, and Beloit Township, provide intelligence on criminal activity and assist SIU investigations on a part-time basis. While the focus of the SIU is drug investigations, they also assist the Detective Bureau and Patrol Division in other types of criminal investigations.

The Rock County Sheriff's Office is part of the South Central Drug Task Force – Rock County of the Wisconsin High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA), as well as the Safe Streets Task Force of the FBI (GROC). All SIU Deputies have federal deputation to assist with federal investigations. As members of these federal initiatives, the Rock County Sheriff's Office has access to HIDTA-sponsored training, investigative funds, funds for equipment, and overtime reimbursement on qualified cases.

The SIU unit allows the Sheriff's Office, along with the smaller jurisdictions in Rock County, to pool their resources and assist each other in investigations that require more manpower and equipment than a single jurisdiction can deploy. By working together, we are making Rock County a safer place to live.

Arrests	Methamphetamines	Marijuana	Powder Cocaine	Crack Cocaine	Heroin	Community Presentations	Cash Seized
48	1,181.3g	16.8 lbs.	570.9g	196g	83.3g	9	13,344.03

Bureau of Identification



State Bank—Village of Footville

The Bureau of Identification (B of I) is a support unit of the Rock County Sheriff's Office that primarily manages property and evidence associated with criminal investigations. This bureau is staffed with a Sergeant and two Deputy Sheriffs.

Primary job duties are:

- Control and management of all evidence and property seized by the Sheriff's Office
- Crime scene processing (e.g. photographs, evidence collection & documentation)
- Processing and maintaining all criminal and traffic-related audio, video, and photo archives
- Facilitate the transport of evidence that requires processing by the Wisconsin State Crime Laboratory
- Prepare evidence for court proceedings
- Provide basic evidence technician training for Rock County Sheriff's Office personnel



Deputy Paulson



Deputy Nounsacksky

Personnel assigned to B of I require specialized training to perform these job functions. These personnel are encouraged to attend yearly training to build and expand upon their skill set. Some examples of these training topics are:

- Evidence Technician School
- Property Management Training
- Criminal Photography
- Criminal Investigation Training
- Pathology & DNA Training

In 2015, the Rock County Sheriff's Office purchased a new crime scene van for B of I. This new van will allow B of I personnel to better process crime scenes by adding new functions and capabilities. Some of these new capabilities are:

- ⇒ More cargo room for crime scene processing equipment.
- ⇒ Walk-in cargo area and bench area to process evidence.
- ⇒ Outdoor lighting.
- ⇒ Professional appearance.



	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Evidence Submitted	1,699	1,786	1,675	1,385	1,809
Evidence Disposed	938	1,113	1,243	548	368
Cases Involving Media Evidence	1079	1,237	1,332	1,332	1,705
Evidence Submitted to Crime Lab	208	209	189	295	467
Evidence Processed in RSCO Lab	127	49	456	141	173
Crime Scenes/Vehicles Processed	36	54	45	30	30

Bureau of Identification's goals for 2016:

- Conduct an inventory of all property and evidence at the Sheriff's Office.
 - Facilitate in-house evidence collection training.
- Expand evidence processing capabilities by attending training courses related to evidence collection and property management.



Captain
Gary L. Groelle

Support Services



The Support Services Bureau is one of the most diversified bureaus in the Rock County Sheriff's Office. This bureau performs a variety of duties and responsibilities for the Sheriff's Office. The bureau's staff is designed to help and support the men and women of the Sheriff's Office in completing their daily mission of serving and protecting the citizens of Rock County. This bureau also aids the correctional facility with their requests as well.

Within the Support Services Bureau, the following individual sections are maintained: Information Technology, Accounting, Purchasing, Budget, Records Management, and Vehicle Maintenance. Those sections are supported with a Finance Manager, four Administrative Assistants, three Account Clerk II's, a User Support Specialist, a .30 Sheriff's Worker, a .45 Vehicle Maintenance Supervisor, a .30 Vehicle Maintenance Technician, and a seasonal Vehicle Support Assistant.

Accounting Office



Financial
Office Manager
Diane Michaelis

One Financial Office Manager supervises three Account Clerk II's, within the Accounting Office. The Accounting Office is responsible for:

- Managing the Budget and Grants
- Processing Vendor Invoices for Payment
- Carrying Out Jail Accounting Functions
- Collecting and Processing Employee Payroll Data



Account Clerk II Hall



Account Clerk II Ferolito



Account Clerk II Moen

Front Office/Records Staff



Optical Imaging Specialist Nash



Assistant Jackson



Assistant Gajdosik



Assistant Holmberg

The Sheriff's front office/records staff consists of four Administrative Assistants under the direction of the Support Services Captain. The front office staff handles a variety of duties and responsibilities including greeting and professionally assisting all citizens that come into the Rock County Sheriff's Office with questions, and those that call our main telephone line. Some of those questions deal with completing Civil Process service papers and obtaining copies of crash reports.

Additionally, the front office personnel are responsible for data processing all incident reports, arrest reports, traffic citations, and traffic crash reports. Daily the staff transcribes dictated reports and then forwards those reports for supervisory review.

Support Services



The Records section of the Sheriff's Office continues to process a steady flow of records. The categories and numbers reflected below highlight the variety and volume of events captured by the Administrative Assistant in the Records Office during the period 2011-2015. Our new Record Management System, Spillman, has proven to help make data for crime analysis and crime prevention efforts more efficient.



Assistant Anderson

Another big responsibility for our Records Office is producing and transacting copies of all public open records requests. The records most often requested are arrest records, police reports, arrestee mug shots, photos, videos, and criminal histories. The total number of open records requests that were filled in 2015 was 1,999.

YEAR	INCIDENTS	ARRESTS	CITATIONS	ACCIDENTS	TOTAL
2011	2294	1834	5974	706	10,808
2012	2284	1960	7007	730	11,981
2013	2598	1894	6220	793	11,505
2014	3410	2081	8205	842	14,538
2015	3955	2362	9369	773	16,459

Vehicle Maintenance



Bruce Ott



Mike Natter

There are two civilian part-time employees assigned to our Vehicle Maintenance section. In 2015, the Sheriff's Office maintained a fleet of 90 vehicles which included squad cars, SUV's, vans, tactical vehicles, five boats, two motorcycles, two snowmobiles, and one ATV.

The Vehicle Maintenance Supervisor tracks the usage of every vehicle, in addition to scheduling maintenance and equipment installation. In 2015, Sheriff's Office vehicles used over 104,100 gallons of gasoline. The total mileage traveled by all Sheriff's Office vehicles was 1,550,000 for the year. Some of the duties, tasks, and responsibilities that our vehicle maintenance staff handle are listed below:

Normal Preventative Maintenance

Other Non-Preventative Maintenance Duties

Oil Changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare vehicle and maintenance budgets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purchase parts for general maintenance
Brakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create purchase orders for parts and equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete vehicle registrations
Alignments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change over squads from year to year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warranty repairs
Transmission Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drivability issues Emergency equipment repairs Repair squad radios 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collision repairs Keep fleet washed and clean Repair mobile vehicle recorders

Support Services



Information Technology (IT)

Staff from the Rock County Information Technology Department coordinate the technology needs for the Sheriff's Office. The staff works on various technology equipment including: mobile data computers (MDC), printers, radios, in-car video systems, and the automatic license plate recording (ALPR) system, which are all located in our squad cars. In addition, they handle computer software issues and updates, phone lines, wireless connectivity, electronic submission of records for crashes and citations, researching/testing/deploying software, and maintaining hardware.



User Support
Specialist Herzig



User Support
Specialist Butler

The Support Services Bureau, with the help of the Rock County IT Department, continues to identify new technology needs to support the Sheriff's Office. In 2015, some of the advancements that have been implemented at the Rock County Sheriff's Office to assist our staff with their daily operations include:

Spillman Jail – Spillman Jail replaced Offendertrak for keeping track of the inmates processed by our jail. By using Spillman for our jail management system, we have an integrated system between Records, Mobile and Jail. Deputies now have access to inmate data and mugshots which helps them make positive identifications while out in the field.

Migration to Outlook – By switching to Microsoft Outlook, the Sheriff's Office is now utilizing a more standardized system for email. It integrates better with smart phones which are being used more and more throughout the county.

Office 2013 Upgrade – By upgrading from Microsoft Office 2000/2003 to Office 2013 it improved our ability to work with attachments and more easily share documents with other agencies both within and outside the county. It also provides us with additional functionality and improvements.

Spillman 6.3 Records Upgrade – The Spillman 6.3 upgrade provided some "bug" fixes and added some more functionality to the Spillman system. With the 6.3 upgrade, it provided an electronic signature for the Jail to use when receiving and releasing inmate property.

Accident Reconstruction Upgrade – Upgraded the laptop used for Accident Reconstruction to a supported platform.

Spillman SAA Certification – Shelly Zartman and Sara Herzig attended the Spillman Application Administration (SAA) class to learn more about the administration of Spillman, and each passed the Spillman certification exam. This training enables us to fix some of the issues in-house rather than having to call support for help, which speeds up the process.

Statelink Migration. – To meet the CJIS requirements of being NCIC 2000 compliant, we chose to go with Spillman's Statelink 2.0. This allowed us to replace MobileCop in the squads so the deputies can run people/plates without having an additional application installed in the squads. This also eliminated the maintenance expense that came with MobileCop.

Emergency Management Bureau



In 2015, the Rock County Sheriff's Office marked the third year overseeing Emergency Management in Rock County. The Emergency Management Bureau continued efforts of effective emergency planning, disaster mitigation, and response. Through strong partnerships with local and state government agencies and non-profit organizations, Emergency Management was able to provide community partners with training and exercise opportunities, emergency plan development and guidance, hazard vulnerability assessments, and reliable sources of public information to share with their constituents.

In daily operations, the Emergency Management Bureau manages several grants for programs including Emergency Management, the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), and the County Haz-Mat Team. This includes developing and revising emergency plans, identifying available mitigation efforts that could minimize potential damages following a disaster, and maintaining partnerships with local stakeholders.

At times, emergencies of various magnitudes impact Rock County requiring the Emergency Management Bureau to switch hats and focus on response and recovery efforts. The response efforts

include the activation and management of the County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) when appropriate, and maintaining a National Incident Management System (NIMS) compliant structure, consistent with the training and exercise guidance applied in Rock County. Recovery efforts include coordinating the return to normalcy in Rock County, managing the documentation necessary for reporting to the State of Wisconsin, providing guidance to citizens impacted by disaster, and partnering with state agencies for appropriate government assistance including the Wisconsin Disaster Fund, which Rock County last received in 2013.



Sergeant Kohler



Assistant Kline



Active Shooter Tabletop Exercise—Clinton

Large Scale Initiatives in 2015

- Awarded a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Planning grant through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the amount of \$24,935.35, leading to the update of the latest Hazard Mitigation Plan for Rock County
- Authorized purchase of a new Ford F-350 Hazardous Materials Response Truck for the Rock County Hazardous Materials Response Team, providing a safer response to Haz-mat incidents. As a member of the Wisconsin Hazardous Materials Response System, the purchase was partially funded through annual funds Rock County receives from the State of Wisconsin to assist in equipment needs
- Approved for the purchase and placement of a new Outdoor Warning System Siren in Evansville, replacing the oldest siren in Rock County





Milton House—City of Milton

Emergency Management Bureau



In 2015, the Emergency Management Bureau responded to the following major incidents in Rock County:

March 27, 2015 – Hazardous materials response for a large-scale chemical spill on Interstate 90 in Janesville following a traffic crash. A semi-trailer carrying multiple drums of chemicals used to clean pools collided into a stalled semi-trailer parked on the shoulder of the interstate. Responding agencies including the Rock County Sheriff's Office, Rock County Hazardous Materials Response Team, Janesville Fire Department, Janesville Police Department, Wisconsin State Patrol, City of Madison Hazardous Materials Response Team, National Guard 54th Civil Support Team, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and Wisconsin Department of Transportation.



April 20, 2015 – Grease fire at the Pine Tree Inn in Janesville, leading to the full evacuation and temporary displacement of several residents. Those in need of sheltering services were accommodated through partnerships with the American Red Cross.

July 19, 2015 – EF-1 tornado struck down on East County Highway A in Johnstown Township, causing damages to several outbuildings and one residence.



Training Bureau



The Training Bureau is staffed by Sergeant Troy Egger, who was assigned to this Bureau in March of 2015, and Administrative Assistant Nicole Barrington, who was hired in July of 2015. The Training Bureau is responsible for the following facets of training and related tasks:

- ◆ Assisting in the Hiring Processes for Deputy Sheriff and Correctional Officer Positions
- ◆ Recruiting Applicants, Administering Written Exams, and Serving on Oral Interview Panels
- ◆ Monitoring Progress of RSCO Recruits at the Law Enforcement Academy and the Jail Academy
- ◆ Overseeing the New Hire Training Programs for Deputy Sheriffs and Correctional Officers
- ◆ Coordinating the Required State Recertification Training for all Sworn and Correctional Staff
- ◆ Leading the Training Committee
- ◆ Planning Spring In-Services and Fall In-Services for Law Enforcement and Correctional Staff
- ◆ Identifying Instructors, Preparing Lesson Plans, and Scheduling All Staff
- ◆ Maintaining Training Rooms and Equipment
- ◆ Approving Specialized Training and Registering Attendees
- ◆ Tracking all Training Hours in the ACADIS System and Maintaining Training Files for all Staff
- ◆ Compiling Training Data in a Monthly Training Summary Report
- ◆ Posting Lexipol Daily Training Bulletins and Checking Personnel's Progress
- ◆ Recording Staff's Collegiate Degree Progress and Current Education Level
- ◆ Drafting Training Bureau Pre-Budget Document
- ◆ Selecting and Supervising Interns
- ◆ Scheduling Yearly Body Armor Replacement
- ◆ Organizing the Annual HR-218 Retiree Firearms Qualification Range



Sergeant Egger



Assistant Barrington



Training Bureau

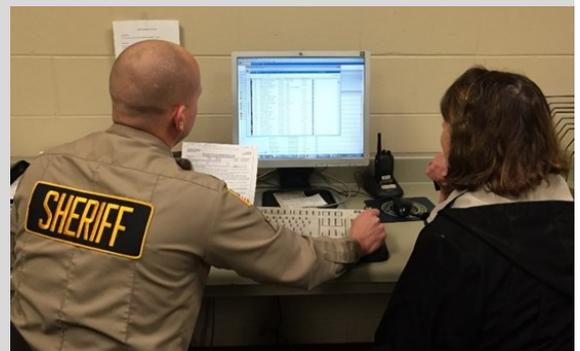


In 2015, the Training Bureau began evaluating the Sheriff's Office's In-House Training Programs with the goal of further professionalizing our agency's training culture. One of the first changes the Training Bureau implemented was a new logo and motto for our Training Team. As our new motto "Success Starts With Training" indicates, the Sheriff's Office recognizes the importance of imparting quality training to all personnel as the foundation to ensure staff are providing the best services to the citizens of Rock County. Other ways the Training Bureau has elevated our agency's training are by updating both Training Rooms, increasing the role of the Training Committee, and purchasing new equipment including an enclosed trailer for transporting supplies to training sites and community outreach events.



Fall 2015 Correctional Staff In-Service

In late 2015, the Correctional Staff transitioned to utilizing Spillman software for jail records management. Project team members attended the annual Spillman Users' Conference September 29 through October 2, 2015, in Salt Lake City, Utah. In preparation for the roll out of the Spillman software, the Fall 2015 Correctional Staff In-Service consisted of a four-hour basic or a twelve-hour advanced session of Spillman computer training provided by Spillman Trainers at the Rock County Information Technology Computer Lab.



To meet the varying needs of different staff job assignments, the project leader, Sergeant Andrew Reed, and his team provided additional individualized Spillman training. The project team also created training videos and conducted supplemental training at shift briefings.

Training Bureau



Fall 2015 Sworn Staff In-Service



The Fall 2015 Sworn Staff In-Service consisted of eight hours of State-mandated Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training held at Madison International Speedway in Oregon, Wisconsin. With the additions of recently trained instructors, a new partnership with Madison International Speedway, and the purchase of new equipment, this marks the first time that the Rock County Sheriff's Office has been able to design, implement and instruct our own Vehicle Pursuit Training. Our staff received higher quality training as smaller class sizes allowed for more practical application of emergency vehicle operation skills. This training had a substantial cost savings compared to prior pursuit trainings. In addition to Rock County Sheriff's Office staff, we trained personnel from Edgerton Police Department and Town of Turtle Police Department.

Due to the success of Pursuit Training, the Training Bureau intends to organize additional training events in 2016 in order to provide more quality training to our staff and host other law enforcement officers.





Community Outreach

As part of the Sheriff's Office's commitment to community, the Training Bureau is responsible for the organization and execution of several of the many different community outreach events that the Sheriff's Office participates in each year. These efforts by the Training Bureau are vital to increasing and maintaining community relationships and accomplishing the overall mission of the Sheriff's Office. Below is a list of just some of the Training Bureau's community outreach efforts:

- ◆ Planning the Annual National Night Out Event
- ◆ Managing the Rock County Sheriff's Office Facebook Page
- ◆ Leading the Crime Prevention Team
- ◆ Serving on Local Public Safety Committees
- ◆ Ordering and Distributing Sheriff's Office Promotional Items
- ◆ Maintaining a Partnership with Special Olympics Wisconsin
- ◆ Attending Various Community Events (Pancake Breakfast, etc.)
- ◆ Partaking in Student-Centered Activities at Local Schools (Career Panel, Reality Maze, 4K Talk, etc.)
- ◆ Organizing the Rock County Law Enforcement Association Tent at the 4-H Fair
- ◆ Participating on the Pre-Service Selection Panel at Blackhawk Technical College
- ◆ Assisting the Recreational Safety Bureau at Cops and Kids Foundation Events
- ◆ Helping at Registrations for Recreational Safety Education Courses



Crime Prevention Team



Downtown-City of Evansville

The Crime Prevention Team Deputies often represent the Sheriff's Office at the many different community outreach events our agency attends each year. Current Crime Prevention Team Members include Deputy Barr, Deputy Lund, Deputy Miller, and Deputy Wenger. This team is led by the Training Coordinator, Sergeant Troy Egger.



Sergeant Egger



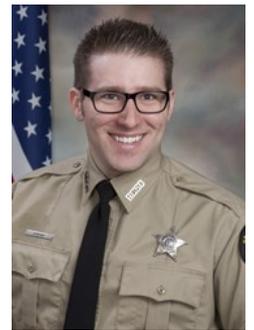
Deputy Barr



Deputy Lund



Deputy Miller



Deputy Wenger



Honor Guard



The Rock County Sheriff's Honor Guard was requested to assist in the planning and actively participate in, the Line of Duty Death Funeral of Officer Ryan Copeland and the Active Duty Death of Commander Eric Lyons in Grant County. The Rock County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard worked with other ceremonial Honor Guards from Wisconsin to ensure that both fallen officers received the honor and respect they earned.

At the end of 2015, the Rock County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard lost one of their plank members and Team Commander, Sgt. Steven Selby, to retirement. Sgt. Selby through his tireless dedication, made the Rock County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard one of the most well respected, highly trained, and most requested Honor

Guards in the state. Sgt. Selby turned over the team to Assistant Commander, Deputy Luke A. DuCharme, who now assumes Command. Deputy Greg Westness was promoted to Assistant Team Commander. We thank Sgt. Selby for his service and wish him the best in his retirement. Thank you for teaching us, "With Duty, There is Honor", and always pushing us to "temper their grief with awe".

Handpicked to serve as a member of the Rock County Sheriff's Office Guard, my standards of conduct and level of professionalism must be above reproach, for I represent all others in my service.

Others earned the right for me to wear the ceremonial uniform, one that is honored in a rich tradition and history. I will honor fallen Law Enforcement members by wearing it properly and proudly.

Never will I allow my performance to be dictated by the type of ceremony, severity of the temperature, or size of the crowd. I will remain superbly conditioned to perfect all movements throughout every drill and ceremony.

Obligated by my oath I am constantly driven to excel by a deep devotion to duty and a strong sense of dedication.

Representing all Honor Guard members, past and present, and all heroes who have given their lives in the line of duty, I vow to stand sharp, crisp, and motionless, for I am a Ceremonial Guardsman.



5 Line of Duty Death Funerals, including 3 from Wisconsin



Trooper Trevor Casper

Wisconsin State Patrol
End of Watch 03/24/2015



K-9 Officer Ryan Copeland

McFarland Police Department
End of Watch 11/23/2015



Firefighter Lawrence Millard

Endeavor-Moundville Fire Department
End of Watch 11/22/2015

2 Active Duty Deaths

Lieutenant Karey Clark

Oregon Police Department
End of Watch 01/09/2015



Commander Eric Lyons

Cuba City Police Department
End of Watch 11/07/2015



5 Retiree Funerals and 18 Community Events, including numerous parades and ceremonies



Deputy DuCharme

Team Commander



Deputy Westness

Assistant Team Commander



Sergeant Roseniller



Deputy Stalker



Deputy Adams



Officer Miller



Officer Fraser



Officer Berg



Officer Arndt

Rock County Sheriff's Office

2015 Annual Report

Special Weapons And Tactics (SWAT)



The Rock County Sheriff's Office SWAT Team is an elite and highly trained response unit called upon for high-risk incidents. The team is comprised of 21 Sheriff Deputies, Supervisors, and a Doctor who are available day or night to respond to emergencies within Rock County or to assist nearby jurisdictions. Team members are dedicated to the citizens, their fellow deputies, and to each other in maintaining a disciplined, constant readiness to respond to and resolve high-risk situations. A Doctor with the Mercy Health System continues to volunteer his time and services to the Sheriff's Office SWAT Team. The Doctor practices monthly with the team and responds to all incidents with the team. The Doctor provides life support and emergency medical care in the field for any team training or SWAT incident.

The SWAT Team is called upon when the situation or call requires a higher level of training and/or skills that most officers do not have. In 2015, the SWAT Team conducted eight operations. This was up from the six operations that the team conducted in 2014. The following is a brief synopsis of each operation.

February 11, 2015, the Rock County Special Investigations Unit (SIU) had a high-risk search warrant for an address on Spruce Street in the City of Beloit. This was a heroin case in which the suspect had purchased heroin from SIU deputies. There were multiple people believed to be living at this residence along with some children. Several of the adults had gang affiliations and weapon violations in their criminal histories. The search warrant was executed and two suspects were taken into custody without incident. They were arrested for delivery of heroin and maintaining a drug house.



Riverside Overpass—City of Janesville

Special Weapons And Tactics (SWAT)



March 13, 2015, the SWAT Team had a practice scheduled. The practice was cancelled and the SWAT Team conducted a Domestic Highway Interdiction in the City of Beloit. SWAT members were in their patrol uniforms and were paired up in marked squads. SIU Deputies were undercover and were watching known drug locations. When they observed what they believed to be drug transactions take place, SWAT Team members were called in to make a traffic stop on the suspect vehicle. Over the course of this deployment SWAT members made 40 stops, issued 23 citations, 24 warnings, made 11 warrant arrests and had one vehicle flee. The driver of that vehicle was identified and a warrant for his arrest was later requested.

March 24, 2015, SIU had a high risk search warrant for an address on Nelson Avenue in the City of Beloit. SIU had delivery of cocaine charges on the subject that lived at this address. There were multiple people associated with this address. The suspect and several of the other adults in the house were believed to be involved in a recent shooting in Beloit. The search warrant was served without incident. The suspect was taken into custody for delivery of cocaine within 1000 feet of a park.

March 26, 2015, Rock County Detectives had a high-risk search warrant for an address on STH 81 in the Town of Newark. The search warrant was for video and electronic equipment. The suspect had a prior conviction for an attempted sexual assault in which he used a “stun gun” in an attempt to subdue his victim. It was reported that the suspect currently had a sawed-off shotgun in his residence. The SWAT Team served this warrant and took the suspect into custody without incident. He was subsequently arrested for 69 counts of possession of child pornography and 1 count of manufacturing child pornography.



April 30, 2015, the FBI Safe Streets Task Force (GROC) had multiple high-risk search warrants to serve in the City of Beloit as a result of “Operation Money Grab”. The Rock County Sheriff’s Office SWAT Team was assigned to serve one of the high-risk warrants at an address on Wisconsin Avenue in the City of Beloit. The suspect had sold guns to the ATF and as a result had a federal arrest warrant in his name. The Rock County Sheriff’s Office served the warrant and took the suspect into custody without incident.

Special Weapons And Tactics (SWAT)



May 20, 2015, SIU had a high-risk search warrant at an address on Henry Street in Edgerton. The search warrant was the result of a joint investigation with Edgerton Police Department into prostitution and the sale of drugs at that location. The suspect was a convicted felon and was reported to be armed with a handgun. The search warrant included three apartments on the second floor of this address. The suspect had cameras outside the building and inside so he could monitor who was coming into the building. The SWAT Team executed this search warrant without incident. The suspect was taken into custody, along with three other subjects.

June 3, 2015, SIU had a “No Knock” high-risk search warrant for an address on Harrison Avenue in the City of Beloit. This search warrant was the result of a SIU investigation into the sale of cocaine from this location. The suspect was a known gang member with a criminal history of armed robbery, battery and resisting. SIU also had information that this suspect was looking to kill the informant from “Operation Money Grab”. The SWAT Team served this search warrant and took the suspect into custody without anyone getting hurt.

December 23, 2015, Rock County Sheriff’s Office Detectives had a high risk search warrant for an address on St. Lawrence Avenue in the City of Beloit. This residence is where a subject lived that was involved in a burglary in which he stole a firearm and physically assaulted the home owner. As detectives were working on getting the search warrant signed by a judge, SIU was watching the house for the suspect. While they were conducting surveillance, they observed a suspicious male approaching a house next door to our target location. As they attempted contact with that subject, he ran away and SIU deputies gave chase. They caught the subject and took him into custody. They also found a handgun that the suspect got rid of as he was running. They later learned that the handgun was reported stolen. Because of the suspicious person, SIU was unable to keep watch on the target location. When the SWAT Team served the warrant, no one was home at that location.



The SWAT Team practices monthly on various tactics such as firearms, breaching, chemical munitions, distraction devices, room clearing, and hostage rescue. In 2015, the SWAT Team was unable to travel to Volk Field and Ft. McCoy to use their training facilities because of the Sheriff’s Office’s commitment of assigning deputies to the City of Beloit.

Training and outfitting SWAT Team members continues to be a priority for the SWAT Team. The Team will continue to improve its advanced response tactics to ensure that it is prepared for the most serious situations that the county may face.



Farm—Town of Plymouth

Hostage Negotiations Team



The Hostage Negotiations Team works with the SWAT team to try to resolve high risk crisis situations peacefully. Our negotiators train throughout the year to maintain the skills needed to address all sorts of crisis situations.

In August, two of our team members attended the 2015 Hostage Negotiator Annual Conference, where numerous guest speakers gave debriefs of past hostage situations. They also learned about new advancing technologies available to be utilized during crisis situations.

In the middle of the year, Sgt. Karl Weberg stepped down as the Hostage Negotiator Team Leader and the position was taken over by Sgt. Caleb Beutin. The current team has a total of 6 members consisting of 1 Sergeant, 4 Deputy Sheriffs, and 1 Correctional Officer. Each team member has years of experience and training making each one a valuable asset to the team. The current team has been together for over 6 years and plans to add a couple new team members in the coming year. The team continues to look for advanced training courses to continue sharpening their skills for handling crisis situations.

The Hostage Negotiations Team did not respond to any negotiable incidents in 2015; however, it did have multiple trainings including scenario-based training.

The team goals for 2016 are as follows: To obtain two more team members so there will be two teams of 4 members. To train with more scenario-based training with SWAT and other agencies to build a more cohesive bond between teams.



Dive Team



Boy Scout Camp—Town of Janesville

The Rock County Sheriff's Office Dive Team consists of two Sergeants, two Sheriff Deputies, and four Correctional Officers. The team is overseen by the Law Enforcement Services Patrol Bureau Captain and is immediately supervised by the two team Sergeants. All Rock County Sheriff's Office Dive Team personnel are PADI certified. Most team members are certified Dive/Rescue I.

The RCSO Dive Team operates as an active part of the Lake Koshkonong Water Rescue District. The team conducts eight hours of training each month with training sessions focused on specific team objectives and maintaining rescue readiness.

The Dive Team recently added two new divers, Officer St. Michael and Officer Mussomeli, and the Dive Team has largely trained around familiarizing these two divers with dive operations. Deputies Scott and Keller were recently certified for Ice Diving in Michigan.



Deputy Scott signals everything is "okay" during an ice dive in Michigan during training.



Deputy Keller waits to dive under the ice during ice dive training. He is a veteran dive member and one of the most experienced on the team.

The Dive Team upgraded some of its equipment in 2015. The Dive Team purchased two new dive suits which are used by divers to protect them from the elements when completing dives. The Dive Team upgraded its communications with the purchase of new communication gear. This gear assist line tenders in communicating with divers below the water.

The Dive Team was called out multiple times during 2015:

On October 1, 2015, the Dive Team was called out to assist in the search for a male subject who had been missing near the N. River Road Boat Landing. The team deployed to the boat landing and set-up a Z-Drage across the river just north of the bridge. A Z-Drage is a rope stretched across the river. Boats are attached to the rope, allowing the team to maintain a specific area on the river to conduct searches. The dive team was on standby to assist if the remotely operated vehicle (ROV) located the subject.

Dive Team



Pictured (left): Officer Mussomeli observes the setup of a Z-Drage System. Officer Mussomeli is a new dive member and this is the first time she saw the system set-up.

On June 3, 2015, and July 2, 2015, the Dive Team assisted the Beloit Police Department with searching for a shotgun that was used in an attempted homicide. The Beloit Police Department had limited information on the exact location of the shotgun, but the Dive Team searched the Rock River behind the Beloit Memorial High School.

Pictured (right): RSCO Recreational Deputy Krahn, anchors the boat and puts out the dive flag as notice to area boaters a diver is below the water line.

Pictured (below): The Rock County Dive Emergency Response Vehicle parked behind the Beloit Memorial High School. The Rock County Sheriff's Office has equipped this vehicle for emergency response for the Dive Team because a quick response to any emergency is pivotal in the saving of lives and the recovery of crucial evidence. Everything the Dive Team needs is contained in the vehicle, and it allows divers to prepare for emergencies while in transit to scenes.



On July 1, 2015, the Dive Team was called to assist in the removal of a vehicle from a creek. The vehicle was involved in a crash on Johnson Road near Lowry Road. The Dive Team searched for any other persons in the vehicle, and attached the vehicle to a tow.



Pictured (right): Sgt. Scott attaches a tow line to a vehicle that is submerged in the creek near Johnson Road.



Recreational Safety Team



Recreational Patrol Deputy

In 2014, The Rock County Sheriff's Office created a full-time Recreational Patrol Deputy position. The primary focus of this position includes boat and snowmobile patrol, which are funded in large part by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources through a reimbursement program.



Deputy Krahn

Deputy Krahn is responsible for patrol/enforcement of Rock County lakes and rivers year round. There are 20 different lakes and the Rock River within Rock County. During the patrol/enforcement season, the bodies of water primarily patrolled are Lake Koshkonong and busy sections of the Rock River. Lake Koshkonong spans roughly 10,500 acres through Rock, Dane, and Jefferson County.

During the summer boating season, this deputy becomes busy with the enforcement of boating laws, investigation of accidents, and rescue operations.

The Recreational Patrol Deputy is also responsible for patrol/enforcement of the 208 miles of marked snowmobile trails throughout Rock County during the

snowmobile season. These trails allow residents and non-residents the opportunity to explore what Rock County has to offer. The primary goal of this enforcement is keeping the trails safe, through the enforcement of laws.

Deputy Krahn is certified as a lead instructor for Snowmobile, Boat, ATV, and Hunter Education through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and instructs several safety education courses annually to certify students in recreational safety courses required by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

The Recreational Patrol Deputy attends specialized training throughout the year to ensure he/she is current on state laws and regulations involving recreational activities.



Recreational Safety Team



Recreational Safety Team



In 2008, the Rock County Sheriff's Office formed a Recreational Safety Team (RST). The Recreational Safety Team consists of fifteen members, including Sergeants and Sheriff Deputies. The team is overseen by the Patrol Bureau Captain.

RST trains monthly to ensure familiarization with all of the recreational equipment. Each team member is required to complete a boat, ATV, and snowmobile safety certification course offered by the Department of Natural Resources.

RST members are trained and specialized in search and rescue techniques. Several RST search and rescue practices are conducted throughout the year with the Rock County Sheriff's Office Dive Team. RST members are cross trained in several dive functions to ensure a more efficient search and rescue response.



RST members assist the full-time Recreational Patrol Deputy during the boat and snowmobile patrol seasons. RST members receive updates on state and local laws throughout the year.

Several RST members are certified boat, snowmobile, ATV, and hunter education instructors through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. They assist the full-time Recreational Patrol Deputy throughout the year instructing these classes.

Recreational Safety Team



Dam—Spring Valley

On May 22, 2015, two deputies assigned to boat patrol stopped a boat with improper registration display on Lake Koshkonong. After further investigation it was discovered the operator had consumed alcohol and could not pass the standardized field sobriety testing. The operator was arrested for boating under the influence.

On May 31, 2015, the Recreational Safety Team responded to a boat in distress near the Indianford Dam. It was discovered the boat had mechanical issues and they were floating downstream towards the dam. The boat and passengers were safely pulled back to dock.

On July 4, 2015, four deputies assigned to boat patrol responded to a residence on the Rock River near N. River Road for a report of shots fired. It was reported that an individual was being shot at by his neighbor. Several deputies, as well as Edgerton Police Department, arrived on scene and the subject was safely taken into custody.

On July 4, 2015, the Recreational Safety Team responded to Lake Koshkonong for an intoxicated female refusing to re-board a personal watercraft. The intoxicated female was pulled to safety and escorted back to shore where she was released to a responsible person. Wisconsin DNR Wardens assisted with the incident.

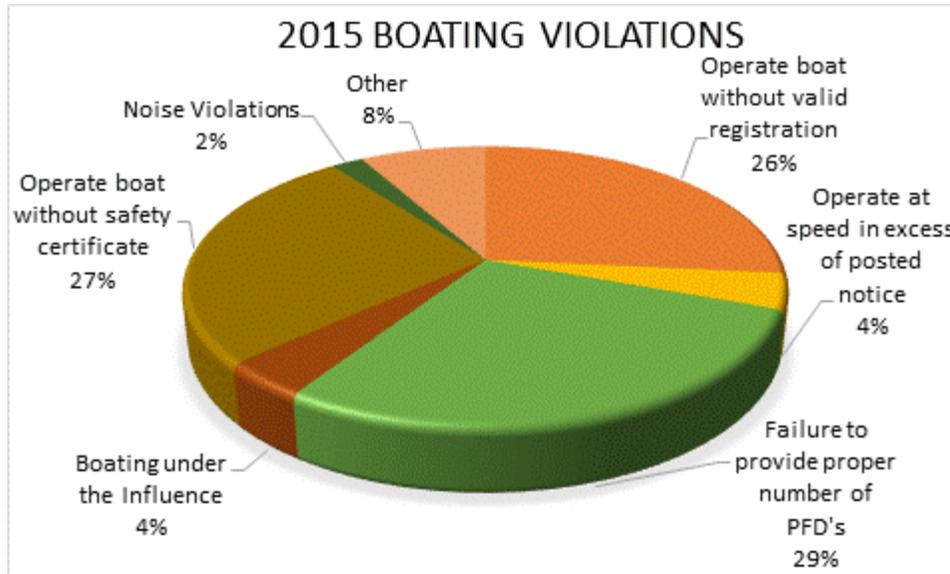
On July 13, 2015, the Recreational Safety Team responded to Lake Koshkonong for a water rescue. Once on scene, it was discovered a personal watercraft had overturned and both passengers were in the lake yelling for help. Both individuals were brought to safety and the personal watercraft was later recovered.



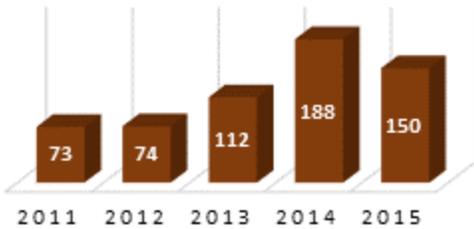
On July 20, 2015, the Recreational Safety Team responded to Lake Koshkonong for a boat in distress in the middle of the lake. It was discovered after arrival that the boat had mechanical issues and could not run. The boat and passengers were safely pulled back to dock.

On October 13, 2015, the Recreational Safety Team responded to a report of a sunken boat on Lake Koshkonong, near the Koshkonong Mounds Golf Course. Upon arrival, deputies discovered a commercial carp boat had sunk to the bottom of the lake and the operator was floating in the water nearby. The individual was pulled to safety and the boat was later recovered.

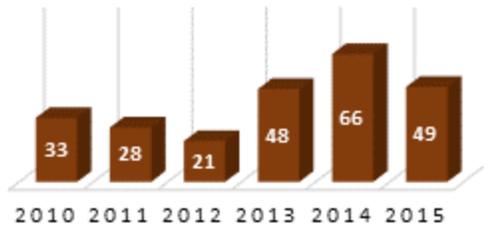
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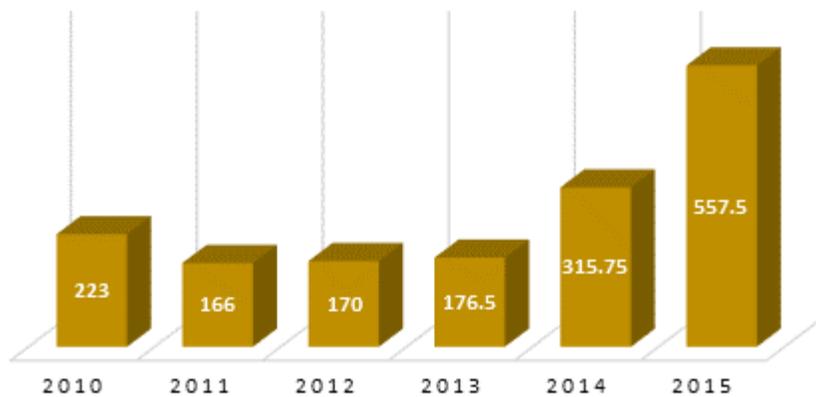
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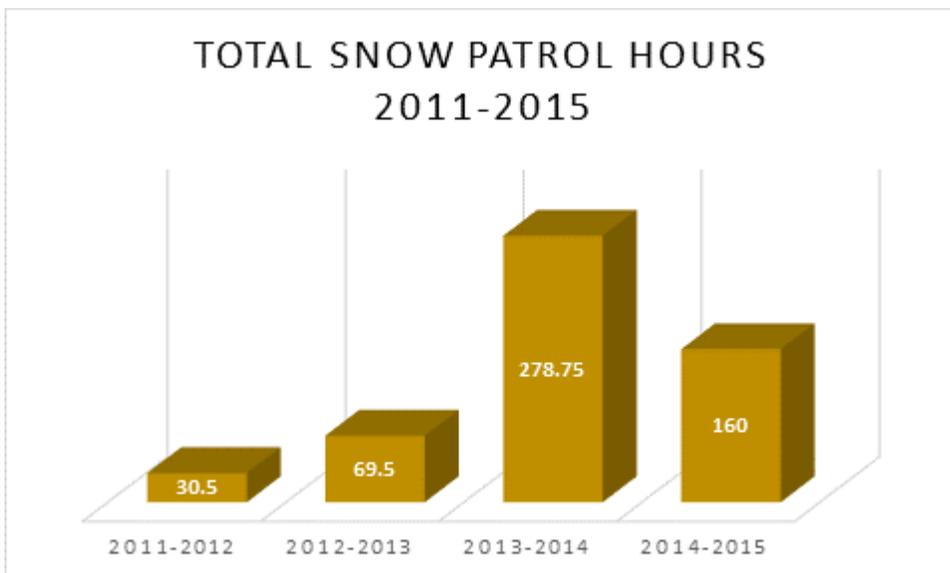
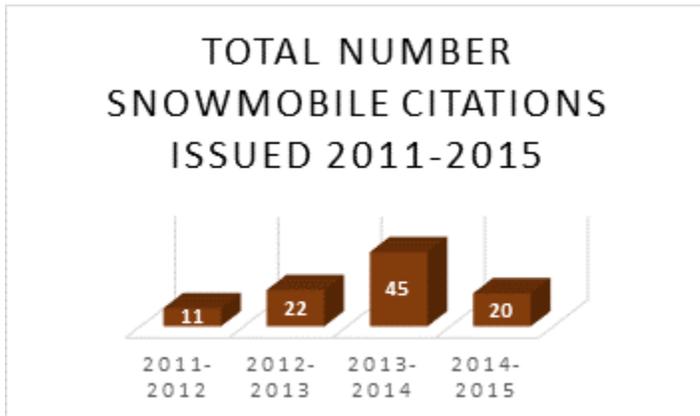
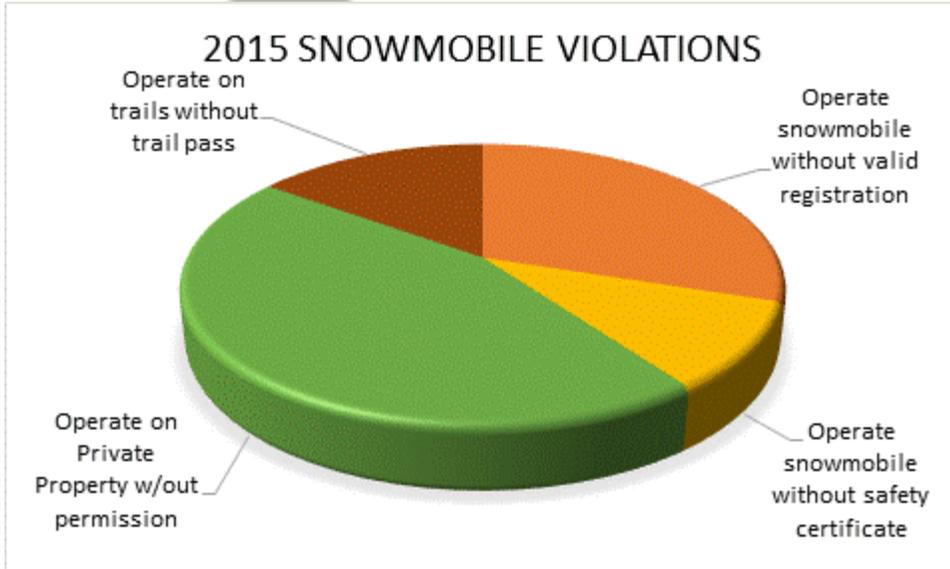
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TOTAL BOAT PATROL HOURS 2010-2015



Recreational Safety Team





Bethel Cemetery—Town of Center

Recreational Safety Team



2015 ATV Accidents

On April 12, 2015, deputies responded to a residence on W. Hwy 14, for an ATV accident with injuries. It was reported a 7-year-old had rolled over an ATV on the property and was injured. The 7-year-old was transported to the hospital by a family member.

On June 13, 2015, deputies responded to a residence on Skinner Road for an ATV accident with injuries. It was determined a female operator had crossed the road at a high rate of speed and struck a tree. The operator was injured during the accident and was transported to a local hospital. She had not completed an ATV safety course and was not wearing a helmet at time of incident.



On August 1, 2015, deputies responded to 4499 CTY TK C, for an ATV accident with injuries. Once on scene, it was discovered the male driver and female passenger were both injured and transported to the hospital. During the investigation, deputies determined the male driver was traveling at a high rate of speed and failed to negotiate a corner causing the ATV to roll across the roadway. It was also determined the male driver was under the influence of alcohol and was arrested for OWI Causing Injury.

On August 23, 2015, deputies responded to 3099 Emerald Grove Road for an ATV accident with injuries. Deputies arrived on scene and the 14-year-old driver was transported to the hospital due to injuries sustained during the crash. It was determined the ATV was traveling in the ditch when the driver lost control and struck a tree. The driver was ejected and was wearing a helmet at time of crash. The driver had not completed an ATV safety course prior to the crash.



On September 6, 2015, deputies responded to 4218 N. Hall Road for an ATV accident with injuries. Deputies arrived on scene and the female driver was transported to a hospital due to injuries sustained during the crash. It was determined the female operator was traveling around a mud oval track when she lost control and rolled the ATV. The female driver was ejected during the crash and was not wearing a helmet. This was the operator's first time on an ATV and she had not completed the required ATV safety course prior to the accident.

Recreational Safety Team



Dairy—Town of Bradford

Cops & Bobbers

In 2015, the Rock County Sheriff's Office again teamed up with the Cops and Kids Foundation to offer the popular Cops and Bobbers fishing program. The primary goal of the Cops and Bobbers program is to teach kids how to fish. The goal of Cops and Bobbers is to get kids hooked on fishing rather than drugs and crime. Kids will get to interact with local cops and form a positive and everlasting relationship.

Event #1 - Lake Koshkonong

June 23, 2015

The first event, held on June 23, 2015, took place on Lake Koshkonong at the Anchor Inn Bar and Grill. Nineteen kids participated in this event.

Volunteers and kids fished from pontoons for this event. Areas fished during the event included Lake Koshkonong and the Rock River. Fishing conditions were tough, but the smiles never stopped. Several fish were caught throughout the morning event.



Event #2 - Riverside Lagoon

July 14, 2015

The second event, held on July 14, 2015, took place at the Beloit Riverside Lagoon at the Harry Moore Pavilion. Thirty-one kids participated in this event. Thirteen of the thirty-one kids were from the Merrill Community Center.

Volunteers and kids fished from shore around the lagoon for this event. Tons of fish were caught and released back to the lagoon during the event.

Event #3 -Kiwanis Pond

August 22, 2015

The third and final event, held on August 22, 2015, took place at Kiwanis Pond. Fourteen kids participated in this final event.

Volunteers and kids fished from shore around the pond for this event. Fish were very active and lots of fish were caught during the event.





Gutter Busters

In 2015, the Rock County Sheriff's Office has teamed up with the Cops and Kids Foundation to offer the Gutter Busters bowling program. The Cops and Kids foundation is an area nonprofit organization whose programs and services provide law enforcement with the tools necessary to implement award-winning community service.

The primary goal of the Gutter Busters bowling program is to teach kids how to bowl. Kids will learn proper bowling etiquette, technique, and scoring. The goal of Gutter Busters is to teach kids sportsmanship, integrity, and respect for others. Kids will get to interact with local cops and form a positive and everlasting relationship.



Event #1 – Rivers Edge Bowling Alley

October 3, 2015

The first event held on October 3, 2015, took place at Rivers Edge Bowling Alley in Janesville. Seventeen kids participated in the first event.

Event #2 – Diamond Lanes Bowling Alley

November 7, 2015

The second event held on November 7, 2015, took place at Diamond Lanes Bowling Alley in Beloit. Twelve kids participated in the second event.



Recreational Safety Team



Kids Don't Float Loaner Station



In 2015 the Rock County Sheriff's Office has teamed up with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to offer the "Kids Don't Float" life jacket loaner station. The purpose of this program is to promote safe boating and help ensure all boats are properly equipped with personal flotation devices, as the law requires.

We encourage all boaters to complete a pre-inspection before launch to ensure all safety items are on board. Wisconsin Law requires all vessels (including canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards) must have at least one USCG Approved Type I, II, III, or V life jacket for each person on board. In addition to the requirement for life jackets, one USCG Approved Type IV PFD, must be on board vessels 16 feet or longer and be readily accessible. Life jackets must also be in good/serviceable condition and of proper size for the intended wearer.

If after pre-inspection you find a required life jacket is missing, you will now be able to borrow one at no cost and return it after use. This station is equipped with adult, children, infant, and Type IV personal flotation devices. This program is honor based and deputies will inspect the station weekly.

Recreational Safety Team



Hunter Safety



In 2015, the Rock County Sheriff's Office offered a total of five Hunter Safety Courses at our new location, the Edgerton Conversation Club. A total of 127 students completed and graduated from the DNR Hunter Safety Course in 2015.

Boater Safety

In 2015, the Rock County Sheriff's Office offered one Boater Safety Course at the Rock County Job Center. A total of 19 students completed and graduated from the DNR Boater Safety Course in 2015.

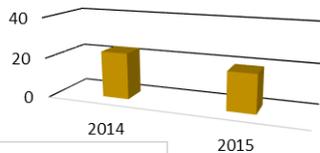
Snowmobile Education

In 2015, the Rock County Sheriff's Office offered one Snowmobile Safety Course at the Rock County Job Center. A total of 37 students completed and graduated from the DNR Snowmobile Safety Course in 2015.

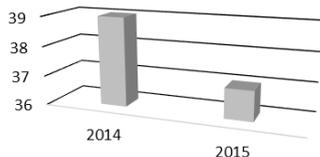
ATV Education

In 2015, the Rock County Sheriff's Office began offering the ATV Safety Course at the Rock County Job Center. A total of 41 students completed and graduated from the DNR ATV Safety Course in 2015.

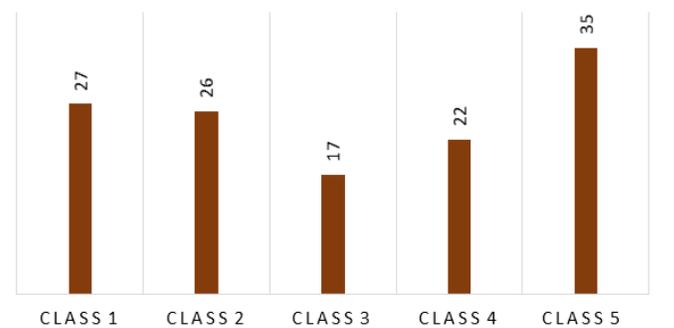
BOATER SAFETY



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2015 HUNTER SAFETY



Crash Reconstruction Team

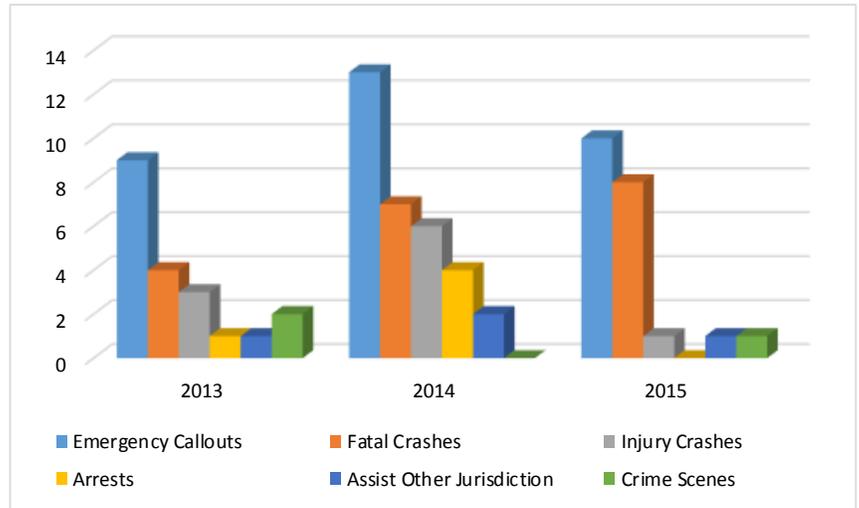


Park—Town of Beloit

The Rock County Sheriff's Office Crash Reconstruction Team currently consists of one Sergeant and two Sheriff Deputies. Members receive specialized training for investigating serious traffic crashes including fatal traffic crashes, serious injury traffic crashes, or criminal traffic crashes.

To aid with investigation, each scene is mapped using a device called a Total Station. The Total Station allows for precise measurements of a scene. In addition to responding to traffic crashes, the Crash Reconstruction Team has been used to measure outdoor crime scenes for criminal cases.

In 2015, the Crash Reconstruction Team responded to 10 emergency calls for service. Of those calls, eight were fatal crashes, one injury only crash, and one crime scene.



A new member of the team began taking training courses and deputies began using new equipment to take aerial photographs.



Mobile Field Force Team



The Rock County Sheriff's Office Mobile Field Force Team was formed in 2012. This eleven member team has trained with teams from the Janesville and Beloit Police Departments. These three teams would, by design, form a multi-jurisdictional response to situations requiring units that are prepared and equipped for crowd management.

The Mobile Field Force Team consists of a team commander, assistant team commander, and nine operators. Within the operator ranks, four members received advanced training in Field Force Extractions in Anniston, Alabama. This "Cutting Team" would be assigned to extract embedded protestors. Two Mobile Field Force members are cross-trained as grenadiers to deliver chemical and non-chemical crowd management and dispersal products. Additionally, in 2015, three operators attended Dane County Sheriff's Office crowd control training.

Mission Statement: The Rock County Sheriff's Office Mobile Field Force Team was established to maintain peace and order during varying levels of civil unrest. The duty of the Rock County Sheriff's Office Mobile Field Force is to ensure that the protection of the First Amendment and other civil rights are upheld for all individuals and groups. The Rock County Sheriff's Office Mobile Field Force through fair and impartial standards, will enforce laws, protect individual's life and property, and protect vital facilities.



K-9 Unit



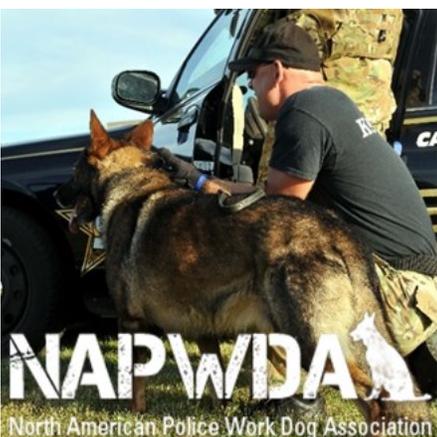
In 2015, Deputy Shawn Nolan and his K-9 Dex, and Deputy Nathan DeBoer and his K-9 Sasha were assigned to 1st and 2nd shift patrol respectively.



Both teams were certified by the North American Police Working Dog Association in the Wisconsin Dells in May of 2015. In 2015 both K-9 units were involved in 2 apprehensions of burglary suspects and 3 gun recoveries. They assisted the FBI and local jurisdictions for narcotic searches. The K-9 units searched for and found abandoned property and tracked the driver of a vehicular crash to a local establishment which resulted in an arrest.



Both K-9 units handled over 14 demonstrations for organizations throughout the county. They continue training on narcotic detection, obedience, and searching for suspects in unconventional places (crawl spaces, up in trees). The K-9 units clear buildings and assist our department's SWAT team for perimeter control.



During normal patrol functions, both teams searched for, detected, and made arrests for the following finds:

- 429.2 grams of Marijuana
- 203.11 grams of Cocaine
- 5.5 grams of Heroin
- 305.8 grams of Meth
- 7 Oxycodone Pills
- 28 pieces found and 7 arrests for Drug Paraphernalia
- 59 Drug related arrests





Town of Union

Grants



\$111,426—Highway Safety Project: The Highway Safety Project is designed to reduce traffic accidents, deaths, and injuries on the highways. The project has three segments which are Alcohol Enforcement, Speed Enforcement, and Seatbelt Enforcement. Funds were spent on overtime saturation patrols and equipment.

\$110,931—Treatment Alternatives and Diversion (TAD): The TAD program provides grants to counties to develop treatment and diversion alternatives to jail and prison sentences for non-violent offenders for whom substance abuse was a contributing factor in their criminal activity.



\$88,026—Emergency Management Planning Grant (EMPG): The federal government, through the EMPG Program, provides necessary direction, coordination, and guidance, and provides necessary assistance to support a comprehensive all-hazards emergency preparedness system. The funds were used to support the Emergency Management Division.

\$59,142 – Hendricks Family Foundation Interview Room Upgrade: The funds were used to upgrade the audio and video recording equipment in four interview rooms.



\$59,000—High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA): The HIDTA program mission is to measurably reduce drug trafficking and associated violent crime. The funds were spent on overtime and equipment.

\$40,377—Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) Grant: EPCRA establishes requirements regarding emergency planning and “Community Right-to-Know” reporting on hazardous and toxic chemicals. Communities, working with facilities, can use the information to improve chemical safety and protect public health and the environment. The funds were used to operate the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC).



\$28,221—Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training: CIT is a training program for law enforcement officers that includes basic information about mental illnesses and how to recognize them. Thirty-one officers from eight Rock County law enforcement agencies were trained.

\$24,883—Department of Natural Resources State Aid for Water Patrol: The Sheriff’s Office partners with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to perform search and rescue missions and to enforce state and local ordinances on local waterways.



\$20,785—State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP): SCAAP provides federal payments to states and localities that incur correctional officer salary costs for incarcerating undocumented criminal aliens. The funds may be used only for correctional purposes.

\$15,462—State Aid for Hazardous Materials Response System: The Response System is made up of taskforces comprised of hazardous materials response teams strategically located throughout the State. Funds were used for training and equipment for the County Hazardous Response Team (Janesville Fire Department).

Grants



\$12,347—Department of Justice Asset Forfeiture Program/Equitably Shared Funds: The Asset Forfeiture Program is a nationwide law enforcement initiative that removes the tools of crime from criminal organizations, deprives wrongdoers of the proceeds of their crimes, recovers property, and deters crime.

\$10,811—Department of Natural Resources State Aid for Snowmobile Patrol: The Sheriff's Office partners with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to perform search and rescue missions and to enforce state and local ordinances on the trails.

\$8,160—Computer and Hazardous Material Equipment Grant: Funds were used to purchase equipment for the Hazardous Materials Response Team.

\$6,489—Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG): The JAG program is a partnership among federal, state, and local governments to create safer communities. Grants may be used to provide personnel, equipment, training, technical assistance, and information systems. In 2015, the Sheriff's Office teamed up with the Beloit and Janesville Police Departments, and the three agencies were awarded a grant totaling \$32,189.

\$5,695—Safe Streets Violent Crime Initiative: The Safe Streets Initiative is designed to address violent street gangs and drug-related violence through the establishment of FBI sponsored long-term, proactive task forces. The funds were used for overtime.

\$4,915—Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF): The OCDETF Program reduces the availability of drugs by disrupting and dismantling major drug trafficking organizations and money laundering organizations and related criminal enterprises. The funds were used for overtime.

\$2,079 – South Central Healthcare Coalition: Funds were used to purchase an automated external defibrillator (AED).

\$1,500 – Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC): Funds were used for training and for supplies.

\$1,000—Cops and Kids Foundation: The Cops and Kids Foundation is a nonprofit organization which provides law enforcement with funds to implement programs benefitting youth. The funds were used to support the Rock County Cops and Bobbers fishing program and Gutter Busters bowling program.



Rock County Sheriff's Office Goals for 2016



Professional Development – The single most important resource of the Sheriff's Office is the staff that we have working for us. As a result, the most important goal of the Sheriff's Office in the upcoming year is their professional development. A coordinated and comprehensive general training plan, as well as, specialized training will be crucial for our staff to meet the demands of the future. Additionally, it is important to develop an improved evaluation program to help guide their development and identify any issues that may develop. Lastly, the development of an officer wellness program will help to ensure that our staff is prepared and supported as they face the challenges of this occupation.



Coordination – It is extremely important that the various law enforcement agencies within Rock County work together in order to ensure that services are comprehensive, efficient, and effective. Coordinated investigative resources would provide a much better overall assessment of the problems facing our community, as well as, leads that may not have been otherwise recognized. Technology and equipment are growing increasingly expensive and where they can be shared, it seems prudent to do so. Even sharing the expertise of officers who have received specialized training can help to ensure that Rock County gets the greatest return on training investments.

Crime Analysis – Never before has there been such a rich source of information available that would be useful to guide the use of law enforcement resources or to guide investigations. However, developing that data into actionable intelligence is expensive and technical. Sheriff's Office personnel, in conjunction with experts from other Rock County agencies, need to work together to develop a plan to take advantage of the information that currently exists.

Communication – The ability to communicate during an emergency is always a source of concern. This needs to become a priority in the upcoming year to ensure that the Sheriff's Office and other area communities can be as effective as possible during emergencies. Additionally, a rapid and accurate exchange of information with the community is necessary to protect our citizens and to ensure that all available investigative leads are acquired. Developing these abilities will require an investment in technology, but even more importantly, an investment in the training of our personnel.

K9 Replacement – It is sad to think of the inevitable retirement of Deputy Nolan's faithful canine partner, Dex. They have been an exceptional team that has been a fantastic resource for the past six-and-a-half years. Despite receiving the best of care, Dex is aging and is likely to begin to experience medical issues that will likely interfere with his ability to continue with the demanding work that he is called on to perform in the course of his duties with the Sheriff's Office. As a result, we must begin to work towards his replacement. The basic cost of the dog, equipment, and handler training is approximately \$15,000. Raising the funds will be a priority during 2016 and the goal would be to add a new K9 in 2017.



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