



*Thiensville Police Department  
2015 Annual Report*

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Chief Scott Nicholson

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

*On behalf of the men and women of the Thiensville Police Department, I welcome you to review our 2015 annual report. I trust you will find it both interesting and helpful. The 2015 report will show the activity of our department and the various types of calls for service.*

*The quality staffing levels and equipment has allowed us to be proactive in managing crime in our community. Our department maintains a good level of presence to provide comfort for our residents and uneasiness for those that choose to take away from our quantity of life. It our philosophy of this department to maintain a safe environment so our residents and visitors can continue enjoying the amenities and things that make Thiensville a great place to live, work, and shop.*

*As I've mention in past annual reports, drug use will always be a challenge for our department. We will continue to manage this through education and enforcement utilizing county wide programs and enforcement. Another challenge now and years to come is the increase in calls for service for the mental health. We are aware that these calls are more staff consuming and require more time for the officers than the majority of the calls we handle.*

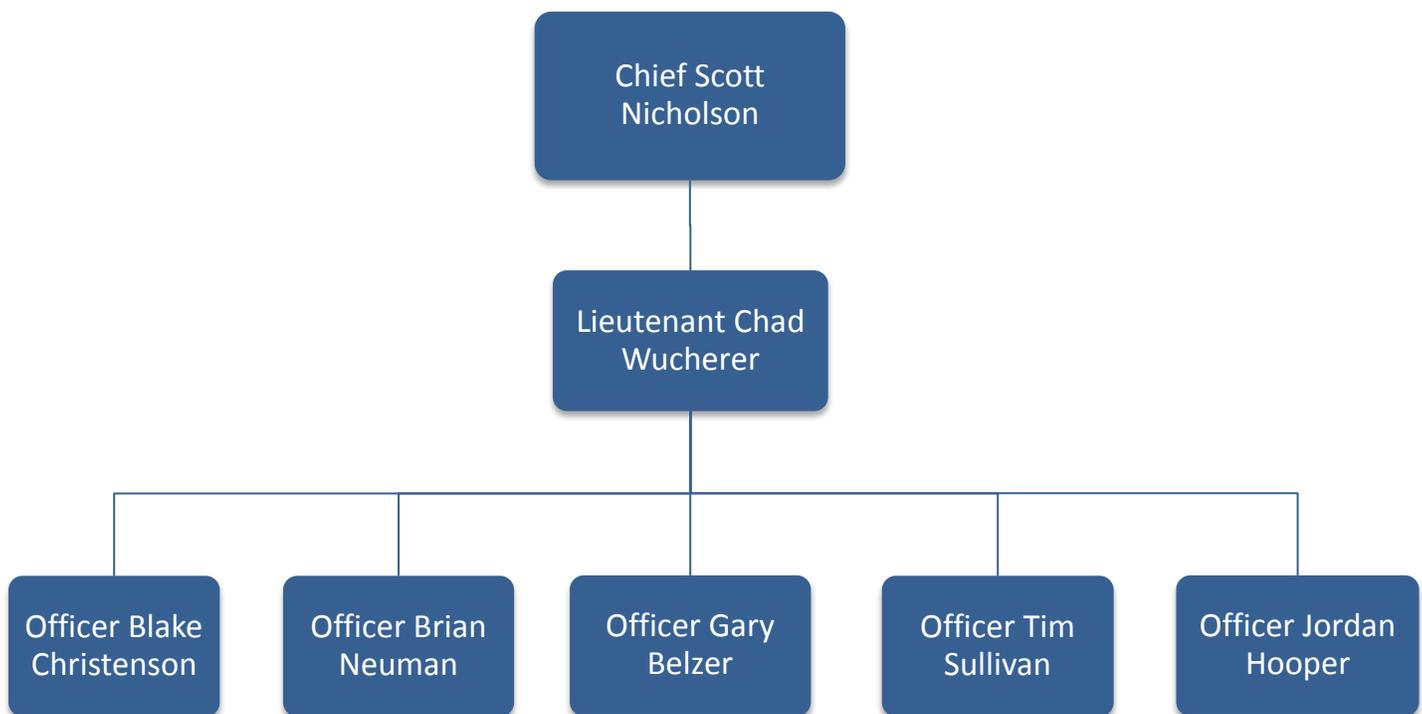
*Nationwide, 2015 was a difficult year for law enforcement with people questioning the trust and integrity of law enforcement officers. As Police Chief, it was disturbing for me to see our actions and conduct quickly judged by first impressions and emotions, rather than facts. It's my opinion there's a few reasons for this. One is the lack of knowledge the citizens have who we are and what we do and how we do it. In addition, we are always reaching out to the community maintaining and improving our community relations and interactions. Our annual report shows we have several programs in place that allows the community to learn more about who we are.*

*Absences from the 2015 news headlines were the names of the 133 officers lost their lives nationwide in the line of duty; two of those officers and a K-9 were from Wisconsin. These are heroes that have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to others. As a profession, we honor our fallen brothers and sisters in blue and through our continued commitment to individual excellence.*

*In closing, I want to thank all of you and our community for supporting our department. I am very proud of the officers who serve and protect our community with a high level professionalism, quality services which in turn provide the residents of Thiensville with the high quality of life to live work and play.*

Sincerely,

Scott H. Nicholson  
Chief of Police



## **Thiensville Police Department Staff Roster**

Chief Scott Nicholson - hired 10/16/84

Dispatcher/Administrative Assistant - Heather Boesch - hired 1/20/14

Lieutenant Wucherer - hired 1/7/02

Officer Christenson - hired 2/5/07

Officer Neuman - hired 7/3/12

Officer Belzer - hired 8/27/12

Officer Sullivan- 2/5/14

Officer Hooper - 9/17/14

## Bio's

Chief Nicholson started his career with the Thiensville Police Department in October of 1984. I was promoted to Youth Aid Officer in 1990. In June of 2012, I was promoted to Chief of Police. I was born and raised in Milwaukee and moved to Thiensville in 1985. I have been married to my wife Sue for 20 years and have grown children. I'm involved with the Ozaukee County Chapter of Special Olympics. My hobbies include volunteering for the Thiensville Fire Department as an Emergency Medical Technician and I enjoy working outdoors during the summer.



Lt. Wucherer started his career with the Thiensville Police Department in January of 2002. He was promoted to the Youth Aid Officer and then was promoted to Lieutenant in January of 2013. He is currently the Department's firearms instructor and heads up the Field Training Program for our new hires. He is an Emergency Medical Technician with the Thiensville Fire Department. He oversees the Special Police Unit, which is a volunteer organization that assists the Thiensville Police Department. He and his wife have two school aged children and live in Ozaukee County. He enjoys hunting, working outside and spending time with his family.



Investigator Christenson has worked for the Thiensville Police Department since January of 2007. His job responsibility is patrol, with an added responsibility of maintaining our computer data base and electronic programs to investigate crimes. He was promoted to Investigator in late 2015 and is responsible for the investigations and follow-up with victims and the court system. Blake came here from Missouri where he was raised and attended school to obtain his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice. When he's away from work, he enjoys spending time with his family and resides in Washington County.



Officer Neuman started working for the Thiensville Police Department in July of 2012. He came from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. He is actively involved with the Fredonia Fire Department where he is a firefighter, as well as an Emergency Medical Technician. Brian attended Concordia University and Milwaukee Area Technical College, where he earned his degree in Criminal Justice. When he is not at work, he enjoys camping and fishing and resides in Ozaukee County with his family.



Officer Belzer started his career in 1992 with the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department as a part-time Deputy. He was promoted to full time and assigned to the Jail Division in 1997. In 2004, he was hired as a patrolman at the Thiensville Police Department. In 2010, he continued his career, leaving Thiensville and started in Bullhead City Arizona. In 2012, Gary returned to his home in Ozaukee County with his family and was re-hired with the Thiensville Police Department, where he is currently the Crime Scene Investigator. Outside of the department, he is involved as a coach on several teams that his boys are involved with.



Officer Sullivan was hired by Thiensville Police Department in February of 2014. He attended the Plymouth State University in New Hampshire and graduated with a Bachelors of Science Degree. He started his career with the New York Police Department and worked there as a Police Officer for 2 years. He left New York City and returned to his home state where he worked for the Alton Police Department in Alton, New Hampshire. He has been assigned to patrol. He enjoys spending time with family and outdoor sports, especially fishing.





Officer Hooper started his career with the Thiensville Police Department in September of 2014. He attended the University of Milwaukee and graduated with a Bachelors of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. He was hired by the Lake Geneva Police Department in 2013 as a part-time Officer. He was raised in Northern Wisconsin and currently lives in Milwaukee County. Away from work, he enjoys working out, hunting and fishing and resides in Ozaukee County.



Dispatcher/Administrative Boesch joined the Thiensville Police Department in January of 2014. She came to the department with years of experience. She started her career in Law Enforcement 13 years ago with the Port Washington Police Department and then took a job at the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department as a dispatcher due to talks of consolidation. She went through extensive training which assists dispatchers during hostage or high risk calls for service. She dispatches for any SRT call-out and practices with the team twice a year. She lives in Ozaukee County with her husband and grown son. When away from work, she enjoys vacationing in Upper Michigan, taking walks and being a church council member. Heather was also chosen as one of several instructors that participate in the Mentorship Program at the Port Washington High School. This program focuses on bridging the gap within the students in their schools.

## Training

Every year each officer has to go through twenty four hours of continuing education to retain their certification as a law enforcement officer in the State of Wisconsin. This training can vary from officer to officer with some training being mandated by the State of Wisconsin Department of Training and Standards Board.

Some of the required classes mandated by the State of Wisconsin are Firearms qualification and pursuit driving biannually. In 2015 the department completed these mandated training courses.

The Thiensville Police Department has trainers/experts in the following skills firearms (pistol and rifle), evidence collection, Taser, less lethal weapons, active shooter, computer investigations and crisis intervention. Officers excel in many other areas that are also imperative to daily operation.

Every officer on the department was also trained using MILO. MILO is an interactive training/scenario computer based training in which the officer reacts to an event playing out in front of them on a large screen. The officers' actions dictate the outcome. The outcome can range from verbal resolution to a use of force scenario. The officer sees his actions change the events in front of him. This training allowed officer's to be placed in complex situations with the ability to debrief each outcome in a controlled learning environment.

In total, Thiensville Police Department sworn personnel received 529 hours of training in 2015. The police department strives to train officers so they have the most up to date information on laws and tactics. This allows them to stay safe and make them better prepared to handle every situation they encounter.

The following is a list per officer of the training/education they received in 2015:

### Chief Nicholson

- Chiefs Training Conference
- Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Handgun Qualification Course 15-16
- Wisconsin Public Records Law
- MILO Interactive Scenario/Decision making
- Taser X26P Training
- Increasing Understanding of Force Encounters
- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

## Lieutenant Wucherer

FBI Command College  
Executive Training Series  
Supervisory Legal Update  
Police Applicant Background Investigations  
Increasing Understanding of Force Encounters  
Taught Basic and Advanced Active Shooter Classes  
Taught Department Firearms Training Pistol/Rifle  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 13-15  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 15-17  
MILO Interactive Scenario/Decision making  
Active Threat Integrated Response Course  
Emergency Medical Technician Basic Transition Course  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Handgun Qualification Course 15-16  
Child Abduction Search and Tactics – Field Training  
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

## Officer Christenson

LESB Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 13-15  
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 15-17  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Handgun Qualification Course 15-16  
Taser X26P Training  
MILO Interactive Scenario/Decision making  
Interview and Interrogation  
Internet Profiling and Intelligence Gathering

## Officer Neuman

LESB Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 13-15  
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 15-17  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Handgun Qualification Course 15-16  
Taser X26P Training  
Emergency Medical Technician Basic Transition Course  
Crisis Intervention Training  
MILO Interactive Scenario/Decision making

## Officer Belzer

LESB Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 13-15  
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 15-17  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Handgun Qualification Course 15-16  
MILO Interactive Scenario/Decision making  
Basics of Cyanoacrylate Fuming

## Officer Sullivan

Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 13-15  
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 15-17  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Handgun Qualification Course 15-16  
Taser X26P Training  
MILO Interactive Scenario/Decision making  
Identifying Deceptive Behavior  
Active Shooter Level 2 Training

## Officer Hooper

Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 13-15  
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Biennial Vehicle Pursuit Training 15-17  
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Handgun Qualification Course 15-16  
Taser X26P Training  
MILO Interactive Scenario/Decision making  
Active Shooter Level 1 Training  
Active Shooter Level 2 Training  
Child Abduction Search and Tactics – Field Training  
Terrorism Response Tactics: Basic Active Shooter

## Support Staff Summary

This section of the annual report is to share with you the responsibilities of the Administrative Assistant/Dispatcher for our department.

Heather works Monday through Friday, 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. Her responsibility is one of the key roles to keeping the Thiensville Police Department functioning. She is responsible for providing customer service to the citizens that come into the police department every day. Added to her responsibilities is support to the management staff and the police officers in the department. Heather assisted over 200 people face to face at the department window along with countless phone calls and emails with questions they needed answers to.

Some of the daily tasks over and above helping the public would be overseeing our records management system, mailing, collections of money, open records requests, answering the phone and dispatching officers, but most of all is providing that one on one customer service that this department is known for.

Data entry is a very significant part of Heather's day. This can range from entering the officer's daily reports, traffic warning, citations, and entering all that information to the records management system. Entering the correct information is important because that information may lead to finding suspects, linking other department's cases together and solving cases.

Additionally, Heather is responsible for reporting the crime statistics to the Office of Justice Assistance, and the FBI. Other tasks she has are the Time Agency Coordinator or (TAC) officer, Train Administrator, and Validations Officer. The Time System is a tool used for law enforcement agencies to access confidential records such as Driving Records, Criminal Histories, and Wanted Person files. The Train Administrator is responsible for registering personnel for training, while the Validation Officer is responsible for validating records; which could consist of stolen/lost/found property, missing persons, and would include warrants for the agencies that issue warrants in the TIME/NCIC System.

Municipal Court as described in the annual report is where our traffic and ordinance matters are heard. Heather is responsible for managing, compiling, and acting as the court clerk on the day of trial. A large majority of her week is allocated to overseeing all the citations and communications between our department and the Mid-Moraine Municipal court.

In most police departments, the above list of responsibilities are shared with multiple employees designated to do a specific task.

See the attached chart outlining the number of transactions made through the Wisconsin Crime Information Bureau.

## Special Police Officers 2015

Special Police Officer	Lt. Mike Catena
Special Police Officer	Sgt. Bob Eisold
Special Police Officer	P.O. Don Molyneux
Special Police Officer	Sgt. Douglas Koerner
Special Police Officer	P.O. Elmer Prenzlow
Special Police Officer	P.O. Laurie Catena
Special Police Officer	P.O. Ryan Campbell
Special Police Officer	P.O. Patricia Heinritz
Special Police Officer	P.O. Joe McGinty
Special Police Officer	P.O. Renee Dahman
Special Police Officer	P.O. Matt Anderson
Special Police Officer	P.O. Nicole Schneider
Special Police Officer	P.O. Joel Deutsch
Special Police Officer	P.O. Derek Dobratz
Special Police Officer	P.O. Elliot R. Schneider
Special Police Officer	P.O. Brian Kucharski
Special Police Officer	P.O. Kaye Redeker
Special Police Officer	P.O. Toni Ihler
Special Police Officer	P.O. Karen Erickson
Special Police Officer	P.O. Kirk Gagnon

## Thiensville Special Police Officers

Dedication, service and professionalism that is the description of the volunteers that make up the Thiensville Special Police Unit. Their assistance and unwavering dedication make Thiensville a great place. It is the members of the Special Police Unit that allow the Police Department to handle large scale events that take place in our community that would otherwise be impossible. These men and women give time away from their families, jobs and school work to better our community.

The Special Police take part in every festival, parade and community activity. They direct traffic, assist with crowd control and maintain security during events. The Thiensville Special Police continue to assist in providing security in the music tent and on the park grounds during Lions Fest. During community events, they help give directions, find lost children and assist in providing security. During emergency situations they can be called in to assist the police department at any time, day or night. They can also be seen performing ride alongs with sworn officers.

Each year the Special Police attend training to keep them up to date on current police tactics and procedures. This training occurs the second Thursday of every month and is two to three hours long.

In 2015, the Special Police gave a total of 1059.75 hours of service to the Village of Thiensville. Of that time, 796.75 hours were for special events and ride alongs and 263 hours of training.

In 2015, the Special Police had 21 officers on the roster. One of the officers, Don Molyneux, continues to serve since starting in 1967. This year resulted in a few people leaving the Special Police Unit, but in a short time three new people joined the ranks.

The Thiensville Police Department looks forward to the continued support we receive from the Special Police Unit, and the professionalism and commitment they provide to the Village of Thiensville.



# Crime Index-Part I and Part II Offenses

Crime reports are classified as Part I or Part II offenses under the guidelines of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Uniform Crime Reporting, (UCR) standards.

During 2015, a total of 26 Part I Crimes were reported. The majority of the Part I crimes were property only crimes. There were three battery offenses which were reported. Three arrests were made which is a 100% clearance rate.

Sadly, the Village of Thiensville was victim to an outsiders coming into our community and committing burglaries. In January of 2015, a criminal from Vernon Wisconsin focused in on our community one evening and attempted to break into three businesses and entered another. By the use of DNA evidence processed through the State of Wisconsin Crime Lab and cell phone records, we were able to identify and send a request for charges to the District Attorney's Office. The man was responsible for burglaries in southeastern Wisconsin.

Around a month after our burglaries, the man was trapped in the ceiling of a strip mall in the Village of Greendale after he broke into several businesses. The Village President and a Trustee came face to face with the burglar and was taken into custody. We are waiting for our cases to go through the court system.

This same person was responsible for three other attempts in the early morning hours in January. At those businesses, the suspect was not able to gain entry.

This case as with many others, Police Department from around the state work together using everyone's resources to bring to justice the people involved in these types of crimes.

One motor vehicle was taken and an arrest was made of one of the two people that stole the vehicle. Unfortunately, the vehicle has not been recovered yet, and the juvenile is awaiting adjudication in the Milwaukee County court system.

Part II Offenses are those incidents that are less serious, still investigated. In 2015 the department saw a bit of a decrease, with one of the categories, drug violations we saw an increase.

<b>PART I OFFENSES 2010 - 2015</b>						
<b>Offense</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	0	3	3	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0
Battery	4	9	3	3	2	3
Burglary	2	4	3	2	2	1
Theft	9	15	10	9	18	18
MV Theft	1	1	0	0	1	1
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>

<b>PART II OFFENSES 2012 - 2015</b>				
<b>Offense</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
Other Assaults (Simple)	5	4	2	4
Forgery and Counterfeiting	2	0	1	1
Fraud	4	1	1	2
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	0	1	0
Vandalism	1	6	2	2
Weapons	1	0	1	1
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	2	7
Drug Violations	2	5	6	9
Gambling	0	0	2	0
Family Offenses	3	1	0	2
OWI	16	8	7	6
Liquor Laws	11	18	20	7
Drunkness	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	15	8	6	3
Vagrancy	0	1	0	0
All Other Offense Municipal Ordinance	6	30	95	94
Warrants	26	30	36	39
Curfew and Loitering Law	2	4	2	2
Runaways	0	0	1	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>179</b>

## Property Stolen and Recovered by Type

Last year a total of \$17,709.00 worth of property was stolen as a result of crimes which are around 140% less than in 2014. A total of \$5430.00 or 28.5% was recovered. We had two large thefts that the property has not been recovered yet, around \$5,000.00 of jewelry from a home where the family was having a family gathering and a vehicle theft which the value of the vehicle was about \$5,000.00.

### PROPERTY BY TYPE AND VALUE

#### MONETARY VALUE STOLEN

Type of Property	2013 Stolen	2013 Recovered	2014 Stolen	2014 Recovered	2015 Stolen	2015 Recovered
<i>Currency, Notes, etc.</i>	\$306.00		\$364.00		\$1,252.00	\$1,120.00
<i>Jewelry</i>	\$12,300.00	\$10,800.00	\$9,921.00	\$300.00	\$7,300.00	
<i>Clothing</i>	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$1,175.00	\$257.00		\$102.00
<i>Stolen Motor Vehicles</i>			\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$5,000.00	
<i>Office Equipment</i>			\$2,223.00		\$501.00	\$501.00
<i>Television, Radio, Stereos</i>			\$1,290.00	\$75.00		\$567.00
<i>Firearms</i>						
<i>Household Goods</i>				\$441.00	\$30.00	
<i>Consumable</i>	\$430.00	\$403.00	\$301.00	\$731.00	\$491.00	\$50.00
<i>Livestock</i>						
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	\$510.00	\$290.00	\$2,894.00	\$94.00	\$3,135.00	\$3,090.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$13,571.00	\$11,518.00	\$43,168.00	\$26,898.00	\$17,709.00	\$5,430.00

# Adult Arrests and Juvenile Apprehensions

The crime statistics for the Village of Thiensville are submitted monthly to the Wisconsin Department of Justice, which then forwards the information to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The FBI compiles nationwide crime statistics and publishes the Uniform Crime Report.

In 2015, adult arrests decreased slightly from 137 to 124 and juvenile apprehension went down from 7 to 4. One important juvenile arrest was that of a stolen vehicle taken from a resident that had the vehicle for sale on Craig's List. The juvenile and the male came to test drive the vehicle, as they returned, waited for the owner to step out of the vehicle; one of the suspects drove the vehicle away while the other sped away in their own vehicle. The vehicle has yet to be recovered.

Adults that commit crimes are referred to the District Attorney's Office for criminal charges and juveniles are referred to the Department of Human Services then to the juvenile court.

ADULT AND JUVENILE ARREST BY CATEGORY						
2013 – 2015						
Offense	Adult			Juvenile		
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Murder/Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assaults	0	1	0	0	0	0
Burglary	1	1	1	0	0	0
Larceny / Thefts	3	4	1	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Thefts	0	1	7	0	0	1
Arson	0	0	1	0	0	0
Other Assaults (Simple)	6	7	5	1	0	0
Forgery/Counterfeiting	0	1	0	0	0	0
Fraud	1	1	4	0	0	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	3	1	0	0	0
Vandalism	2	3	1	0	0	0
Weapons	2	1	0	0	0	0
Prostitution/Vice	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offense	0	0	0	0	1	0
Drug Violations	5	12	11	1	0	2
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0
Family Offense	2	0	0	0	0	0
OWI	3	4	6	0	0	0
Liquor Laws	6	17	14	2	2	0
Drunkenness	0	0	0	6	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	7	7	2	2	0	0
Vagrancy	1	0	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses Municipal Ordinance	24	40	30	3	2	0
Warrants	28	34	39	2	0	0
Curfew and Loitering Law	0	0	2	2	2	0
Runaways	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>

## Traffic Crashes

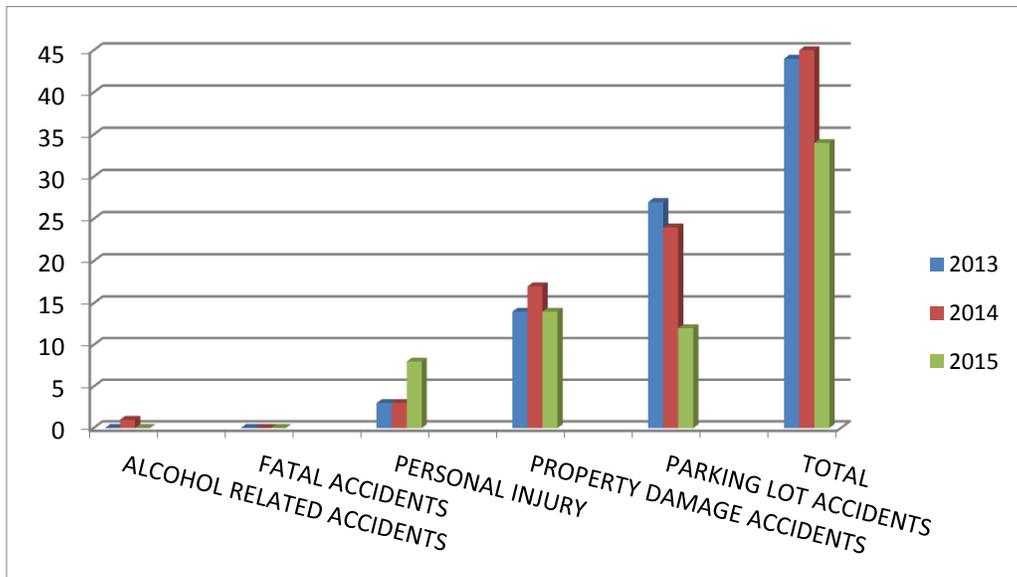
Last year the Thiensville Police Department investigated a total of 34 crashes. None of the crashes involved serious injuries and no fatal crashes were reported. A total of 6 personal injury crashes were reported, which is an increase from 3 reported in 2014. It should be noted that if a driver complains that he or she may not feel well due to the crash, it must be reported to the State of Wisconsin as an injury accident.

Again, during the winter months, the crash numbers were extremely low. Several reasons for the low numbers would be, Andy Lafond's crew keeping the road clear from ice and snow and our ongoing enforcement of traffic laws pro-active traffic enforcement seeing the squad cars on the road. September appeared to be the month where we registered 10 of our 34 crashes. I believe with the roadwork on Main Street and other projects in the Village, it may have caused confusion for some of our drivers. One other highlight, there were no crashes that were alcohol related which we are all proud of. Law enforcement in Southeastern Wisconsin is wrestling with alcohol related crashes where injury and sometimes fatalities result. We will continue to address the current trend and attempt to keep our roads safe.



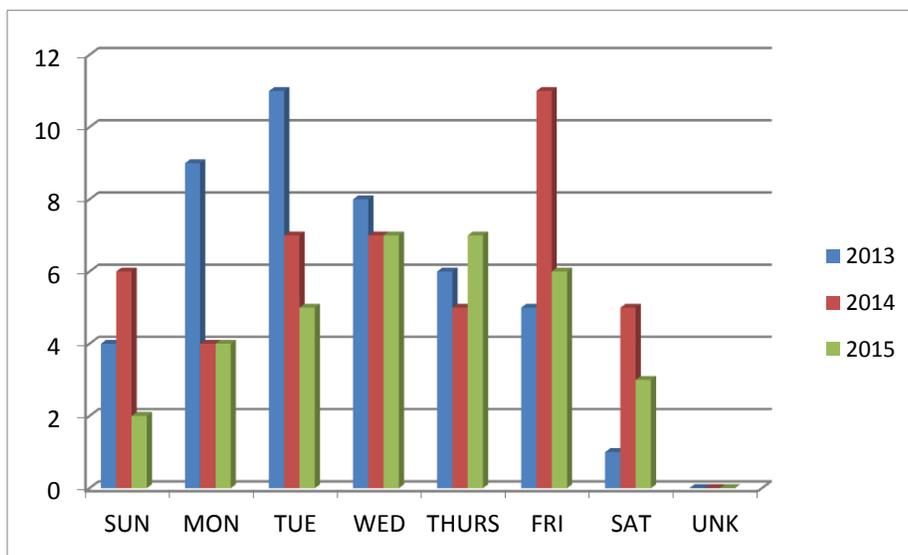
## ACCIDENT COMPARISONS

	2013	2014	2015	Change
ALCOHOL RELATED ACCIDENTS	0	1	0	100%
FATAL ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	0%
PERSONAL INJURY	3	3	8	167%
PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENTS	14	17	14	-18%
PARKING LOT ACCIDENTS	27	24	12	-50%
<b>TOTAL</b>	44	45	34	-24%



## 2015 ACCIDENTS BY DAY

	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	UNKNOWN	TOTAL
JAN	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	3
FEB	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	4
MARCH	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
APRIL	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
MAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JUNE	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	4
JULY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUG	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	0	5
SEPT	1	0	3	2	2	2	0	0	10
OCT	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
NOV	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
DEC	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34</b>



# TRAFFIC AND PARKING ENFORCEMENT

The following tables represent a three year comparison of traffic and parking enforcement for the Village of Thiensville. In 2013, there were 597 citations issued for various traffic related violations, 154 of those were for speeding. In 2014 a total of 605 citations were issued for traffic related violations with 140 for speeding. In 2015 there was an increase to 849 citations for various traffic related violations with 182 for speeding. Dramatic increases in 2015 in seatbelt enforcement, traffic light and sign violations, and all other violations not listed in a category on the chart. In 2015, the State of Wisconsin sponsored a campaign called "Click it or Ticket it". Police departments throughout Wisconsin during certain times of the year focus their activities on seat belt enforcement. Awards are given to police departments that achieve a high level of compliance. 2015 the Thiensville Police Department was awarded a \$4000.00 grant for excellence in that area of enforcement.

Also new for 2015, all the Police Departments and Sheriff's Department mobilized and formed the Ozaukee County Multi Jurisdiction OWI task force. This task force is sponsored by the State of Wisconsin and allows all the law enforcement agencies to combine their forces and target certain dates and areas during the spring, summer, and fall. Funding for the task force is through the State of Wisconsin with the local municipalities responsible for paying for the officers benefits.

A total of 21 deployments were made from May through September with a total number of 133 officers deployed over the 4 month assignment. Of those 133 officers, the Thiensville Police Department dedicated 17 officers during that time frame. A total number of 729 traffic stops were conducted with 287 citations issued and 24 drivers arrested for Operating While Under the Influence. Some of those arrests were driver's that had multiple convictions prior to this arrest.

In 2106, the task force started in February and will continue into September. Area of enforcement will be the interstate, jurisdictions that have special events such as Lion's Fest and other festivals around the county. This task force has been well received by the residents of Ozaukee County and the goal is to reduce the number of drunk or impaired drivers on local and county roads.

<b>TRAFFIC AND PARKING ENFORCEMENT 2012 – 2015</b>				
<b>Enforcement Type</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
Traffic Citations	551	597	605	849
Traffic Warnings/15 Days	633	870	712	1171
Parking Citations	168	382	458	573
Parking Warnings	32	32	45	10
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,384</b>	<b>1,881</b>	<b>1,820</b>	<b>2,064</b>

All of the traffic citations written by the Thiensville Police Department are heard once a month using the Mid-Moraine Court System. The court is held in the board room and is presided over by the Honorable Judge Steven Cain.

The following tables represent a three year comparison of traffic citations issued and the type of violations in the Village of Thiensville.

Violations	2013	2014	2015	Violations	2013	2014	2015
Speed Violation	154	140	182	Reckless/Inattentive	4	6	9
Registration Violations	98	112	112	Lane/Passing Violations	4	11	6
Driver's License Violations	106	130	125	Hit & Run	2	2	4
Seatbelt Violations	33	26	92	Miscellaneous Rules	86	93	191
Equipment/Lighting Violations	13	25	34	Traffic Signs/Signals & Markings	65	29	60
OWI	6	7	5	Turning/Stopping/Required Signal	12	12	1
Prohibited Alcohol Violations	8	6	5	Right-of-Way Violations	2	0	10
Open Intoxicants	4	0	5	Handicap/Prohibited Stopping	0	2	0
Absolute Sobriety Law	0	4	8	<b>TOTAL</b>	597	605	849

## Warnings

Month	Traffic		Municipal		Parking		15 Days	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
January	11	65	2	3	21	0	30	59
February	30	60	5	2	5	2	19	29
March	52	53	0	1	39	0	35	53
April	20	55	2	0	21	4	9	39
May	19	74	1	0	44	1	16	53
June	26	73	1	2	45	0	17	34
July	34	47	2	4	84	0	28	30
August	19	28	10	0	48	0	23	22
September	41	66	5	0	11	0	62	25
October	56	56	5	0	57	2	6	38
November	50	55	0	0	61	0	23	28
December	26	59	4	0	22	1	23	48
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>691</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>458</b>

### 1171- Warning/15 Days

Warnings and 15 day equipment violations increased in 2015 to 1171, compared to 712 in 2014, a 64% increase. The department takes great pride in keeping the village streets safe for bicycle riders, pedestrians and families to walk around and take in the great beauty of the Village.

I am very proud that the department was chosen to win a \$4,000.00 equipment grant for the "Click it or Ticket" campaign which was held early in 2015.

## Services

The following shows a three year comparison of the services provided and the miles patrolled by our officers. Our calls for services have increased again, up 13% over last year. Our miles patrolled were up also, spending an increased amount of time in the residential area. During 2015, there were a rash of burglaries and home invasions in all the communities that surround Thiensville. The staff was directed to make our presence visible to our residents and any would be criminals looking at our community as an easy mark. Our business checks were down, in years past the doors were counted, officers are now recording the actual buildings checked instead.

Services	2012	2013	2014	2015
Calls for Service	1,424	1,367	1,409	1591
Miles Patrolled	40,787	44,477	43,121	47,525
Business Checks	14,796	15,327	17,372	5,687
Home Checks	248	581	1,021	414
Open Doors	56	58	122	56
Field Interrogations	12	30	14	1
Juvenile Referrals	13	9	2	1
Warrants	26	30	39	39

## EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE SUMMARY

The 2015 budget for personnel, commodities, and contractual services was \$837,903.00. During the year, the department expended a total of \$805,480.78 for our operation leaving a surplus of \$32,422.22. In 2015 is the first year in many years we were at full staff. As the tables below show the surplus in all three areas.

In the revenue category, the department budgeted \$35,600.00 for collection of traffic fines, parking tickets, bike license, report copies, and fingerprinting. We exceeded projected our projections by 9.5% showing our revenue at \$38,953.25.

I am very pleased that our department met its budgetary goals without sacrificing the safety and programs for the citizens of Thiensville.

<b>OPERATIONAL BUDGET</b>				
Account	Services	Budget	Expended	Balance
100	Salaries – Wages	\$404,318.00	\$403,541.00	\$777.00
101	Overtime	\$10,872.00	\$9,853.50	\$1,018.50
105	Holiday Pay	\$12,428.00	\$13,001.99	(\$573.99)
113	Chief Salary	\$76,951.00	\$75,639.71	\$1,311.29
115	Chief Training	\$150.00	\$310.00	(\$160.00)
116	Chief Holiday	\$2,655.00	\$2,895.36	(\$240.36)
197	Chief Fringe	\$38,296.00	\$40,303.20	(\$2007.20)
199	Fringe Benefit	\$240,163.00	\$219,087.42	\$21,075.58
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$785,833.00</b>	<b>\$764,632.18</b>	<b>\$21,200.82</b>

## REVENUE SUMMARY

Revenues	Budget	Receipts	Variance
<b>Court Fines</b>	\$29,000.00	\$28,734.43	\$265.57
<b>Parking Fines</b>	\$6,000.00	\$9,893.50	(\$3,893.50)
<b>Miscellaneous Fees</b>	\$600.00	\$325.32	\$274.68
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$35,600.00</b>	<b>\$38,953.25</b>	<b>(\$3,353.25)</b>

Account	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	Budget	Expended	Balance
<b>200</b>	Printing	\$400.00	\$14.50	\$385.50
<b>201</b>	Postage	\$300.00	\$711.03	(\$411.03)
<b>202</b>	Dues and Subscriptions	\$400.00	\$283.50	\$116.50
<b>213</b>	Office Equipment	\$0	\$0	0
<b>215</b>	Police Training	\$4,000.00	\$4,126.05	(\$126.05)
<b>216</b>	Animal Boarding	\$300.00	\$366.00	(\$66.00)
<b>217</b>	Citations	\$0	\$16.00	(\$16.00)
<b>218</b>	Special Police	\$2,000.00	\$2,111.15	(\$111.15)
<b>219</b>	Teletype	\$1,900.00	\$2,154.00	(\$254.00)
<b>220</b>	Radar/Maintenance	\$550.00	\$175.00	\$375.00
<b>221</b>	Juvenile Programs	\$1,000.00	\$992.25	\$7.75
<b>222</b>	Emergency Government	\$2,000.00	\$472.80	\$1,527.20
<b>223</b>	Radio Maintenance	\$5,000.00	\$2,433.40	\$2566.60
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$17,850.00</b>	<b>\$13,855.68</b>	<b>\$3,994.32</b>

Account	COMMODITIES	Budget	Expended	Balance
<b>300</b>	Office Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$844.33	\$1,155.67
<b>301</b>	Reference Material	\$400.00	35.93	\$364.04
<b>303</b>	Telephone	\$2,400.00	\$2,607.24	(\$207.24)
<b>307</b>	Copy Machine Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$365.97	\$634.03
<b>310</b>	Fuel	\$14,000.00	\$10,686.13	\$3,313.87
<b>311</b>	Recruitment	0	0	0
<b>312</b>	Uniform Allowance	\$3,620.00	\$2,876.36	\$743.64
<b>313</b>	Photo Supplies	\$300.00	\$229.52	\$70.48
<b>314</b>	Investigation	\$1,500.00	\$1,492.06	\$7.94
<b>315</b>	Tires	\$1,000.00	\$1,203.40	(\$203.40)
<b>316</b>	Vehicle Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$1,730.05	\$269.95
<b>317</b>	Ammunition	\$2,000.00	\$1,490.00	\$510.00
<b>350</b>	Body Armor/Leather	\$1,500.00	\$1,749.45	(\$249.45)
<b>398</b>	Miscellaneous	\$2,500.00	\$1,682.48	\$817.52
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$34,220.00</b>	<b>\$26,992.92</b>	<b>\$7,227.08</b>

<b>Account</b>	<b>CAPITAL OUTLEY</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Expended</b>	<b>Balance</b>
<b>400</b>	Office Equipment	0	0	0
<b>401</b>	Vehicles	\$22,000.00	\$81,284.47	(-\$59,284.47)
<b>402</b>	Equipment	\$3,000	\$7,278.55	(-\$4,278.55)
<b>403</b>	Radios	\$4,500		\$4,500
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$29,500.00</b>	<b>\$88,563.02</b>	<b>(-\$59,063.02)</b>

## MUNICIPAL COURT

The Thiensville Municipal Court is held monthly in the board room at the Thiensville Village Hall. The court is run under the umbrella of the Mid-Moraine Municipal Court which we are one department of sixteen departments that the court serves. Heather Boesch, our administrative secretary/dispatcher is responsible for processing all the traffic and local ordinance cases, recording the case dispositions, entering the warrants for defendants that don't appear, and submits reports to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and the clerk of court for Ozaukee County.

For the monthly court, a Thiensville Police officer is assigned to the court and acts as the liaison between the department and the court responsible for the safe running of the court while it is in session. The officer has to offer testimony on every case that goes before the court and makes any recommendations to the court for the outcome of the case. A total of \$28,734.43 was collected for the year of 2015. This compares to \$26,688.03 for 2014 and \$18,212.61 for 2013. A total of 859 cases were run through the Mid-Moraine court compared to 680 cases in 2014 which is an increase of 26.32% and is 3.65% of the courts workload.

The court will give the defendants time to pay for their citations, if they can't pay the day of court. If the defendant fails to pay within the time given by the court, a warrant is put out for the person's arrest. A total of 93 warrants were issued by the court, down from 102 warrants in 2014. When the defendant is picked up on a warrant he either pays the fine along with a court fee, or is transported to the Ozaukee Jail. The municipal court also utilizes the Wisconsin Tax Intercept Program from the Department of Revenue to collect unpaid fines. Wisconsin state statute allows taxpayers refunds intercepted to collect the funds.

## Crime Prevention

The Thiensville Police Department stresses crime prevention programs to keep the community informed and protected. Putting crime prevention information out to the community helps to protect the safety and financial security of Village residents. This year we have updated the new home owner packets to include fraud and identity theft information. Each officer is responsible to perform these activities which include:

Officers speak to various groups, ranging from kindergartners to seniors. We speak to business owners on a variety of personal safety and theft prevention techniques. Proactive response to these situations prevents crime from occurring in the community.

Crime Prevention alerts and tips appear on the Quarterly Village of Thiensville newsletter and on the web page for the Thiensville Police Department. The Police Department is also connected with a state wide network that puts out crime bulletins on recent crime trends and suspects.

Home and business security inspections are available upon citizen's request. An officer will respond to the citizen's home or business and make recommendations to improve security and safety for their home or business. Numerous businesses, churches, and schools did take advantage of this service in 2015.

The Thiensville Police Department received a generous donation from the Lion's Club enabling us to buy Green Bay Packer trading cards. The cards were handed out during the fall and to all the kids during Beggar's Night. The cards give officers contact with the youth of the community which helps to build strong relationships.

The annual Village Safety Day allows citizens of all ages to get to know officers in non-stress circumstances and develop a positive relationship with the community which may benefit the department in the future. We provided new items for the public to view this year including a board with various drug paraphernalia and weapons that have been confiscated by the Police Department. Letting the public be aware of the items gives them better understanding of drugs and the items used by drug addicts. Most property crimes that have occurred in recent years have been related to people stealing to get valuables to sell for drugs. Different types of locks and security devices are also on display and explained to community members in so they can actually see items that can make homes and businesses more secure.

To prevent crime in the community homeowners and businesses need to be proactive by placing security devices, alarms, and making sure businesses are secure when they close for the night. Residents also need to secure vehicles and homes before going to bed.

The Police Department continues to conduct business checks and home checks for people on vacation to prevent crime in the Village.

The combination of business/residents being proactive and the Police Departments working with everyone helps to prevent crime as a community effort.

# Juvenile Programs

The juveniles in our community are our future. To protect them and to give them knowledge to be safe the Police Department conducts several programs throughout the year. By having contact with the children we can help them learn skills to keep them safe, and present a positive image of what the Police Department can provide for them and their families.

The first program that is offered is a protective behaviors class. This class is taught to kindergarten, second grade, and fifth grade students attending the Mequon Thiensville School District. This class is taught along with Ozaukee County Family Services and the Mequon Police Department. The children are taught about strangers, child abuse, and internet safety. The class teaches them how to stay safe and how to speak out against the different types of abuse.



Our Second program is Bike Day. Bike Day is held the first Saturday of June. Bike day has teamed up with the Mequon-Thiensville Bikeway Committee and the Mequon-Thiensville Lion's Club. Both provide volunteers to help with the day's activities. Around 55 kids of various ages showed up for a fun day in the park this year. The kids complete a skills



course where our volunteers from the Lions Club and Special Police Officers help instruct the kids on proper signals and handling of bikes. We would also like to thank, Suburban Motors Harley Davidson, Grube's Service and Towing, and the Mequon-Thiensville Lion's Club for monetary donations that helped to purchase giveaways for the Children including two bikes. The Lion's club members also donated ice cream that was given to each child that participated. Along with a monetary donation, Grube's Towing and Service also donated two bikes to giveaway.



Safety Town is the third program. This Program is offered to local children that are entering Kindergarten. This program is conducted in cooperation with the Mequon Police Department. This two week



program is held two hours a day and has an early morning and late morning session. Safety Town Graduated 50 students in 2015. Safety Town covers a wide range of safety topics including fire safety, bus safety, strangers, rules of the road, and many more. This is a highly sought after program and



parents start calling early in the year to sure they know when they can sign up volunteer instructors to help teach the positions and the instructors call early in We even had parents asking when their instructors. Thanks goes out to The their continued support of Safety Town.



make their children. This program uses teenage children. These to are sought after the year to confirm their spot to teach. kids get older if they could be Mequon-Thiensville Optimist Club for

Safety Day's is yet another great community activity that is put on with Thiensville Fire, and Police. We have several different Police cars, and equipment that is used by police, on display for the general public to look at and ask questions about. We are assisted by several officers form other departments as well as our own Special Police Officer's to assist in answering the public's questions. This year we displayed a "drug board". This is a board filled with Drug Paraphernalia that was confiscated by Thiensville Officer's. This board sparked a lot of positive interaction with our residence.



Juvenile programs and events present a great opportunity for children to interact with Officers and to learn while having fun. The positive interaction between the Police Department and the community helps to establish a trust between residents and the Police Department. The safety and education are



part of the Police Departments continued operations. The department continues to adapt programs with current trends and changes in technology that create new risks to the children. The Police Department continues to strive to make the community part of the Police Department and the children are a large part of that community.

## Miscellaneous Programs

### *Mentorship Program*

The Mentorship Program is a six week program that was held during the Spring and Fall of 2015. The program allowed the adult (mentors) the opportunity to spend time with students from the Port Washington High School.

Each group has a student mentor and three or four other students that are classified as Tier 1 (High Risk), Tier 2 (On the Fence) and Tier 3 (Peer Student). The Peer Student is a high functioning student who is respected among the student body and volunteers to be a part of this program.

The topics we discussed were Integrity, Success, Value, Goals, Never Giving Up and Courage. Last year we also discussed Wisdom, Honor and Respect.

The students take turns reading, the mentor asks questions between readings and adds wisdom/experience about the topic. The mentor asks the students to write down weekly thoughts about the topic and a quote that is selected to remember for the following week. The questions that the mentor asks between the readings are to generate conversation among the students.

The goal of the program is to reduce truancy, bridge school/social gaps, improve self-image, provide role models, demonstrate equality among the groups, demonstrate that others care, decrease juvenile crime and to provide conflict resolution.

The interaction with these students is a 1 hour commitment each week from the mentor, our goal is to make it the most valuable time of the week for our students.

Several of the students have said that this is the best part of their week, that it is nice just to have someone listen to them. Many of the students come from broken homes and have been in trouble with the law. It is great to be able to give back to the High School that I graduated from in 1992.

I look forward to returning to the program in Spring of 2016!

I am extremely grateful and blessed to have been asked to participate in this program and look forward to seeing what the future holds for them!

## Medicine Collection Program



The federal government cut off funding for this program in late 2014. The State of Wisconsin picked up where the feds left off and provided a drop off point two times a year that we can dispose of the medications that we collect during the years. In May of 2015, the Department of Justice collected 39,783 pounds of unwanted drugs in Wisconsin. Our department was responsible for over 100 pounds of unwanted drugs.

## Tip-A-Cop



The Ozaukee County division of the Special Olympics partnered with the Highland House again this year in the Tip-A-Cop program. Officers from the Mequon and Thiensville Police Departments serve as waiters at the restaurant while raising money for Special Olympics. Officers Belzer and Hooper participated in the fun filled event. Everyone involved had a good time and it's a great program to interact with the Highland House customers for a great cause

## Coffee with a Cop



In April of 2015, our department partnered with the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Office at the Prime Minister in a new program call Coffee with a Cop. The officers needed to do two things, pour coffee and talk to people. The program was well received and gave our residents and visitors another venue to meet and chat with our officers with no stress or agendas or speeches. Feedback was very positive with residents and visitors thanking us for taking the time to listen as well as answering questions that they always wanted to ask an officer.

## National Night Out



On August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Ozaukee County National Night Out was held at Grady Park in Saukville from 5-9pm.



Hundreds of families participated in this event. National Night out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in local anticrime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and Police-community partnerships, and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. Here in Ozaukee County we celebrate National Night Out by bringing our law enforcement together. Officer Belzer and Administrative Assistant Boesch participated in this year's event. We use the day to get to know you and for you to get to know us. We use National Night Out as a night to allow our kids to get to know the local law enforcement and learn that we are helpers in situations, not people to be feared.



## *Shop with a Cop*



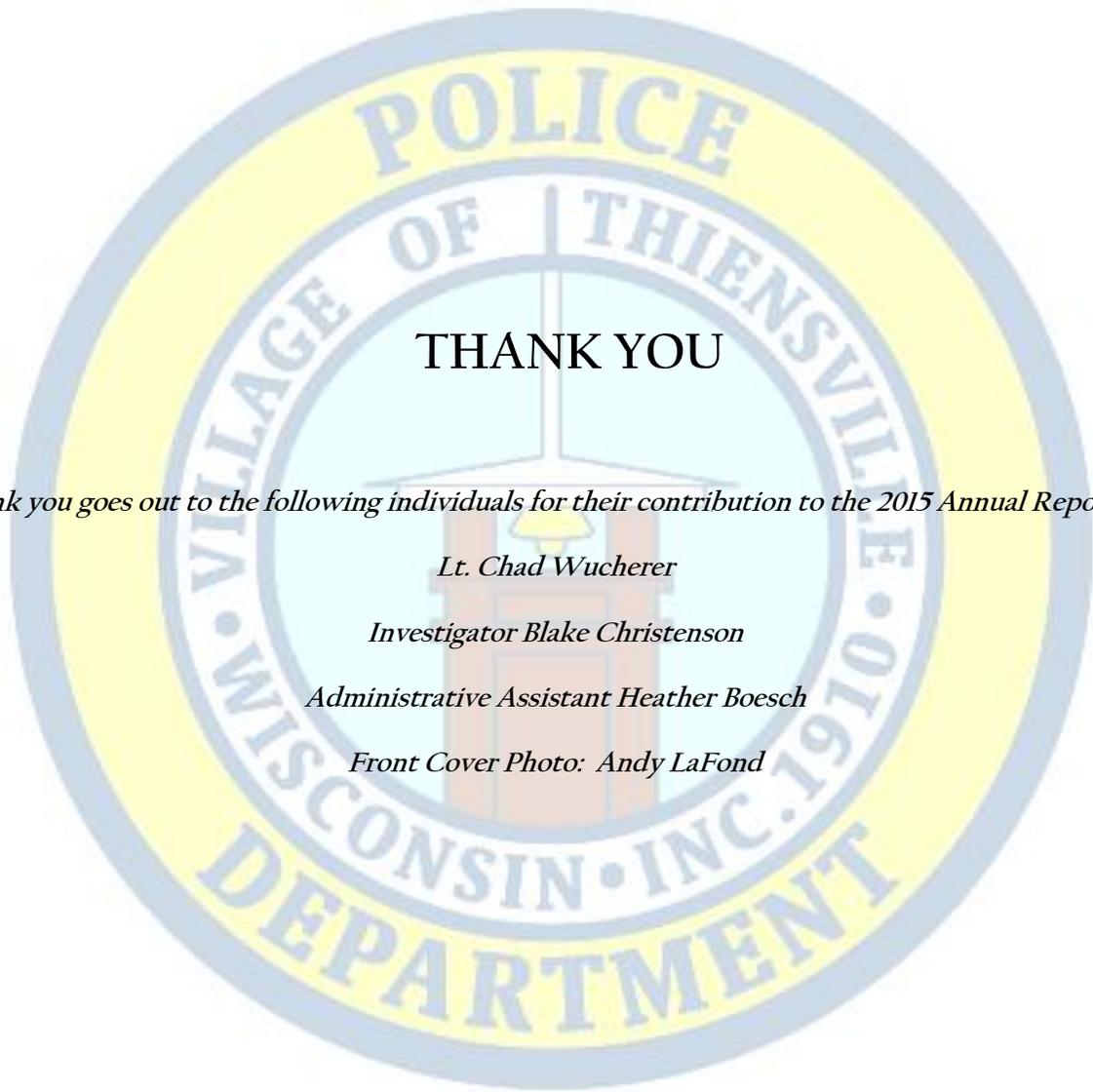
Once again, the Saukville Police Department sponsored “Shop with a Cop” during the holiday season. Officers from every department in the county pitched in to meet with the children and shop at the Saukville Walmart. The day started out with a breakfast at the police department where the kids made a list of items they wanted to buy for their families. Once breakfast was done, the officers, Lt. Wucherer and Officer Belzer along with the rest of the group of officers descended on Walmart and did all the shopping.

Everyone returned to the police department and a group was ready to wrap the present, Administrative Assistant Boesch was one of the helpers. The day was a complete success and look forward to expanding the program for 2016.

## *Toys for Tots*

A very popular program for the Thiensville Police Department is the Toys for Tots program. Local businesses, Schmit Ford, Suburban Harley, Great Lakes Pool and Spa, and Glaze assist Lt. Wucherer in being drop off points for a toy drive for the children. We also collected toys at the Turkey Trot in November which resulted to be a good location for our donation boxes. Bags and bags of new toys were collected and transported to Kapco in Grafton for their Kids to Kids toy drive. We thank all the generous donors that made this program a success.





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