Message From the Chief

2012 was an eventful year for the Monroeville Police Department. It saw the resignation of Officer Buderer as part time police officer and the hiring of Officers Travis Wyczalek and Michael Wagner to fill vacant part time positions.

Drug Task Force

Officer Troy Kimball continues to work in his capacity as a Special Deputy for the Huron County Sheriff's office and has participated in numerous cases with METRICH the multi-county-Drug Task Force. A number of notable arrests have occurred so far this year that include possession and the sale Heroin and Meth-Amphetamine. I have received numerous compliment from Sheriff Dane Howard and others in task force operation on his enthusiasm for the job and the professionalism that he shows. The hours spent helping in the investigations are being funded by money in the police department's drug fine money and has not had an impact on the day to day budget.

Community Outreach Programs



Hooked on Fishing.

On Saturday June 30th the Monroeville Police Department held its annual Hooked On Fishing event at Marsh Park. Hooked On Fishing is designed to provide alternatives to youth and promote the joys of fishing. Funds to sponsor the event were provided for in part by a grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and private donations from businesses and individuals in and around the Monroeville area.

Approximately 60 people participated in the event. Food and beverages were provided and prizes were awarded to the youth angler who caught the largest fish, the smallest fish, and the most fish.

The Monroeville Police Department would like to thank Underground Utilities, Norwalk Wal-Mart, John Flicker and Cold as Ice Drive Thru, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Watt for their generous donations and support. In addition we would like to thank all of those individuals who generously volunteered their time ensuring the continued success of this program. Many of these people were Village employees who donated their time for this worthy cause. The police department would like to give special recognition to Kyle Long for his many years of service as a volunteer for this event.

Winners this year were: Matthew Schaffer(biggest fish- 12 ³/₄ inches), Case Zehnder (smallest fish- 3 ¹/₂ inches), and Landin Hershiser (most fish- 6).

Safety Town

During the week of July 9th, the Monroeville Police Department along with the Huron River Joint Fire District Fire Department conducted its annual Safety Town. Safety Town focused on many safety issues such as bicycle and pedestrian safety, fire safety, use of 911 system, and stranger danger awareness Sgt. Frank Gleason and Mr. Phil Charville represented the police department. We would also like to thank the many volunteers of the Fire Department who donated their time for this event. Approximately 40 children graduated from Safety Town this year. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

Senior Citizen Outreach

The Monroeville Police Department has been contacting senior citizens who reside in the Village of Monroeville. The goal is to increase communication and identify those who may have special needs that the department can be of assistance. This is an ongoing effort with the first contact designed to see who may have any special needs during the winter months.

New Police Cruiser



The Village of Monroeville recently purchased a new police cruiser for the department. On August 17th it was delivered. The police cruiser is a 2013 Ford Police Interceptor. Since Ford no longer builds the tradition Crown Victoria police vehicle that this department has used in the past, it gave us an opportunity to redesign our look. The new cruiser promises greater reliability and has shown much better fuel economy than models in the past.

The fleet currently consists of the new 2013 Ford Interceptor and one 2010 Ford Crown Vic Police Interceptors. The 2008 Ford Crown Vic Police Interceptor was sold to the highest bidder, Terra State Community College September 2012.

Cruiser	#Year Odometer Reading December 31,2012		Miles Driven 2012	Condition
3	2010	70,628	27,183	Good
4	2008	78,000*	15,700	Good
12	2013	6,526	6,526	Excellent

^{*}Odometer on #4 does not always function. The above is a close approximation.

Cost Recovery

In 2012 the Monroeville Police Department entered into an agreement with Cost Recovery Corporation. The goal of this project is to recover some of the Villages cost when their police department responds to motor vehicle accidents. Only those who are at fault are billed, then only nonresidents.

In 2012 Cost Recovery billed those individuals \$5,484.98 compared with 1,915 for 2011 for services provided by the police department. \$1,449. 60 has been collected as of the December 31, 2012 compared to \$820 for 2011.

Norwalk Municipal Court-Fines

In 2012 Norwalk Municipal Court assessed \$33,114 in traffic fines compared to \$43,472 in 2011. \$3,005 was assessed in criminal fines compared to \$5,556 in 2011.

Sincerely,

Gary M. Lyons, Chief of Police