

Wilmette Police Department

2011 Annual Report

Celebrating 125 Years of Service 1886-2011



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Chief Brian King with an Open House Visitor

It is my privilege to share with you the 2011 annual report.

2011 was a significant year for the agency. We celebrated the 125th year since the adoption of the ordinance that established the Wilmette Police Department. Historical photographs have been added to this year's report in recognition of this milestone. It was also a year in which we lost one of our most ardent supporters: former Chief Fred Stoecker. Chief Stoecker served the residents of Wilmette as Chief from 1965 until his retirement in 1991. During his tenure Chief Stoecker demonstrated an unwavering commitment to professional policing. In retirement he was an advocate, mentor, and friend. He will be sorely missed. This report is dedicated to his legacy.

The annual report is more than a compilation of crime statistics and trends. It conveys a snapshot of the men and women that proudly serve the community. We know that the strength of the agency and our effectiveness derives from the commitment of each of our members to provide professional and ethical policing to the community, the source of our authority. We are grateful for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Brian King

Chief of Police

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**FORMER WILMETTE
POLICE CHIEF
FRED STOECKER**



Former Police Chief Fred Stoecker passed away on November 16, 2011 at the age of 91. Chief Stoecker served as Chief of Police from December 1, 1965 until his retirement on January 15, 1991, a span of just over 25 years.

Chief Stoecker was deeply committed to the Village of Wilmette and the advancement of professional policing. He was a strong advocate of education and training. He recruited college graduates into the police department in 1970.

Under his leadership, the Wilmette Police Department obtained one of the highest percentages of college graduates in its ranks. During his tenure, in 1968, the Wilmette Police Department moved its headquarters from 825 Green Bay Road to its current location at 710 Ridge. Stoecker oversaw the implementation of many innovations that are still in effect today including the 911 call system, a regional police radio network, and the hiring of a full-time social worker. He was also one of the founding members of the Northern Illinois Police Crime Lab.

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On January 27, 2011, Commander Matt McConnell retired from the Wilmette Police Department following a 30 -year career. Matt was hired in 1981, promoted to Sergeant in 2001 and Commander in 2006. During his career Matt supervised and worked in Investigations and was one of the original members of the NORTAF Homicide Investigations Task Force.



On May 4, 2011, Commander Tom Welter retired from the Wilmette Police Department following a 31 -year career. Hired in 1979, Tom was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2001 and Commander in 2010. During his career, he worked investigations for 10 years, supervised the Field Training Program and was an original member of the NORTAF Homicide Investigations Task Force.



On August 5, 2011, Community Service Officer Don George retired from the Wilmette Police Department following a 29 -year career.



On September 2, 2011, Property/Evidence Custodian Ron Testa retired from the Wilmette Police Department following a 12 -year career.

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Officer Joshua Hornbacher was sworn in as a police officer for the Village of Wilmette on March 16, 2011. He was already a certified police officer in Illinois. Josh grew up in Michigan and is a 2002 Michigan State University graduate with a degree in Criminal Justice.

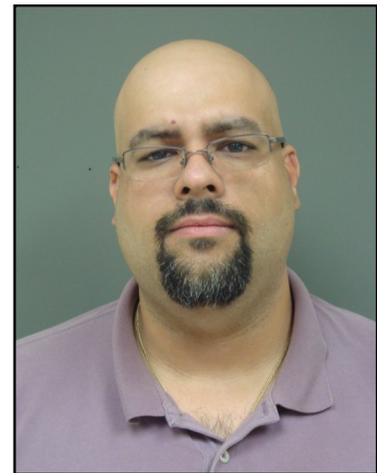


Officer Luke Handrick was sworn in as a police officer for the Village of Wilmette on March 16, 2011. He attended basic police training at the Police Training Institute in Champaign Illinois. He grew up in Eau Claire Wisconsin and graduated from UW Madison with a degree in Legal Studies and Justice Administration.



Chief King, Officer Pasquesi, Officer Cavanagh, Deputy Chief Perkins, Commander Welter and Sergeant Walsh

Officer James Pasquesi and Officer Connor Cavanagh were sworn in on March 28, 2011. Both attended the Police Training Institute in Champaign Illinois for basic training, graduation on June 30th, 2011. James Pasquesi grew up in Lake County IL and earned a degree in Film Studies from Boston College in 2004. Connor Cavanagh grew up in Woodridge Illinois and graduated in 2009 from Western Illinois University with a degree in Law Enforcement and a minor in Fire Science. Both have successfully completed the police department's patrol officer field training program and are currently assigned to the patrol division.



Basil Rigas was hired as a telecommunicator for the Village of Wilmette on August 16, 2011. He had previous communications experience with the Niles Police Department along with a degree in History from Kendall College.

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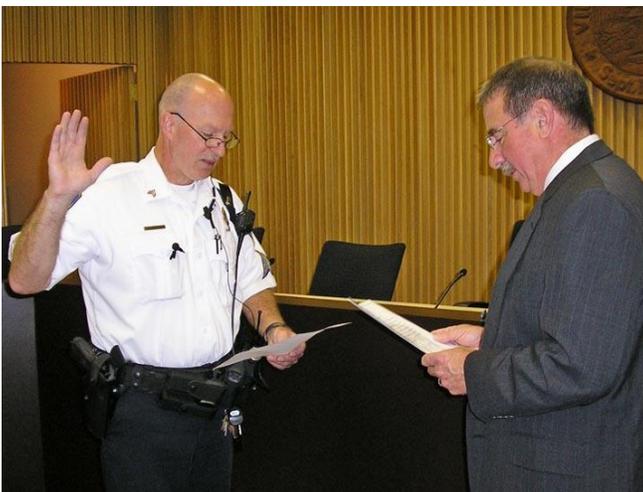
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Martin Paulson was promoted to the rank of Commander on March 16, 2011. Marty is currently assigned to the Patrol Division and is in charge of the department's Evidence Technician Program.



Kyle Murphy was promoted to the rank of Commander on May 26, 2011. He had been the Investigative Division Sergeant prior to his promotion and is currently assigned to the Patrol Division. He is in charge of the department's Awards Recognition Program.



Thom Dworak was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on May 19, 2011. Sgt. Dworak is assigned to the Patrol Division and is in charge of the Departments' Field Training Officer (FTO) Program



Michael Robinson was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on March 16, 2011. Mike had been a detective prior to his promotion and is currently assigned to the Patrol Division. He oversees the Department's Asset Seizure Program.

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Top Intersection Accidents

	Location	2011	2010	2009	2008
1	Lake Ave. & Skokie Blvd.	19	18	16	17
2	Green Bay Rd. & Wilmette Ave.	13	14	12	12
3	Hibbard Rd / Lake Ave.	12	3	9	7
4	Lake Ave / Ridge Rd	12	6	4	6
5	Central Ave / Green Bay Rd	10	5	6	4
6	Glenview / Skokie Blvd	10	8	6	6
7	Lake Ave / Laramie	9	9	4	13
8	Old Glenview rd / Skokie Blvd	9	1	6	8
9	Illinois Rd. & Skokie Blvd.	8	13	14	5
10	Wilmette Ave. & Hunter Rd.	4	9	7	2
11	Green Bay Rd. & Lake Ave.	7	8	9	15
12	Lake Ave. & Locust Rd.	5	8	8	7
13	Skokie Blvd. & Hibbard Rd.	4	4	7	5



Traffic Accidents

	Property Damage	Injury	TOTAL
2011	771	79	850
2010	792	113	905
2009	826	114	940
2008	1115	95	1210
2007	959	102	1061
2006	964	103	1067

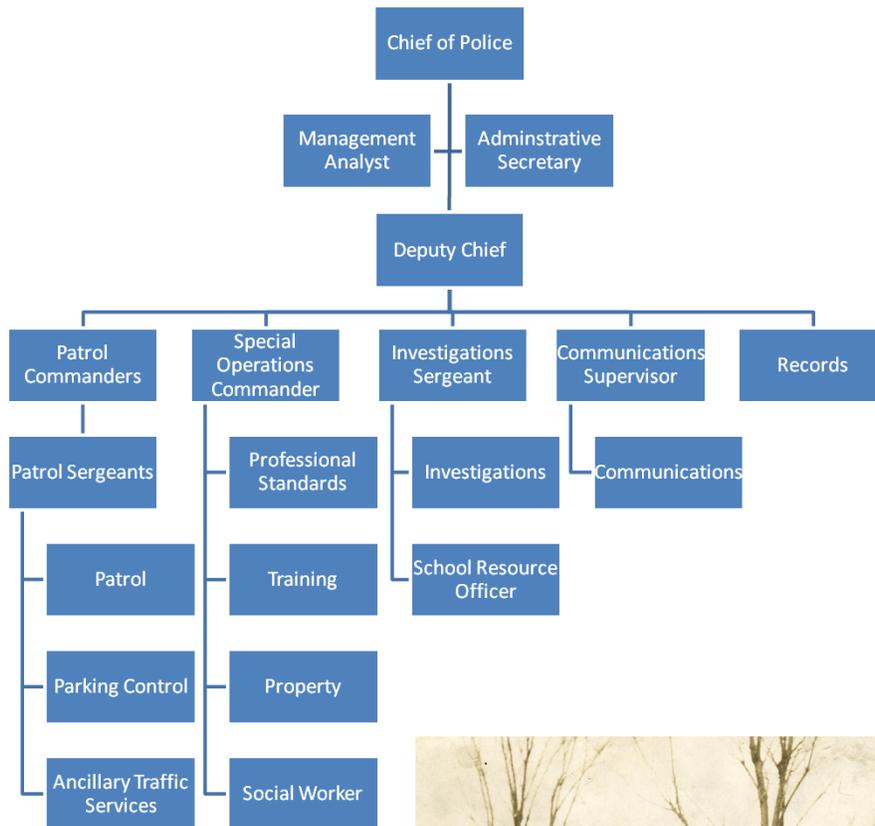
Five Year Crime Statistics

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Homicide*	0	0	2	3*	0
Criminal Sexual Assault	2	2	0	6	1
Robbery	0	6	9	3	4
Aggravated Battery	5	0	5	10	1
Aggravated Assault	2	2	1	2	2
Burglary**	57	110	112	88	80
Burglary to Motor Vehicle	67	134	72	53	109
Theft	230	252	215	230	212
Motor Vehicle Theft	6	4	2	4	6
Arson	1	3	5	2	1

Wilmette experienced two reckless homicides in 2010 and one domestic homicide.

*** The category burglary includes commercial, residential, and non-residential burglaries.*

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2011 Employee/Agency Complaints and Investigations

	<i>Sustained</i>	<i>Exonerated</i>	<i>Unfounded</i>	<i>TOTALS</i>
Bias Based Policing	0	0	1	1
Harassment	1	0	2	3
Improper Procedures	1	1	1	3
Rudeness	1	0	1	2
TOTALS	3	1	5	9



*Off. Schaefer,
Lake Ave. and Seventeenth St.
Wilmette, Ill.*

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Current
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"Black &
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patrol car



1929
Dodge
Police Car



1934 Police Car



1944 Pontiac "Black & White" Patrol Cars

Patrol Division

The largest and most visible unit within the police department, the Patrol Division, provides the community with continuous police service 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This Division is responsible for handling emergency and non emergency calls for service. On any given day, calls for service range from a driver whose vehicle has broken down in traffic to more in depth investigations of fatal traffic crashes and felony violations of the law. In 2011, the police handled approximately 17,300 calls for service. This is up from 2009 and 2008 when the department handled 16,247 and 15,594 calls for service each year respectively.

Community Service Officers, or CSO's, are uniformed, unarmed, civilian members of the police department engaged in local ordinance enforcement, animal calls, public assists and assisting with crossing guard duties, greatly reducing the number of service calls sworn personnel handle.



This photo is of the 1959 "Camp Perry Pistol team: Matthew Schwall, Richard Yohe, Ken Hoffman and Jerry VanHelterbrake.

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Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System - ILEAS

Mobile Field Force - MFF

The ILEAS Mobile Field Force (MFF) is designed to provide rapid, organized and disciplined response to civil disorder, crowd control or other tactical situations involving the distribution of pharmaceuticals from the National Strategic Stockpile, weapons of mass destruction incidents as well as other more conventional events.

The MFF is basically a platoon of police officers of various ranks with a leader. Tactics used are based on small squad tactics deployed by the Office of Domestic Preparedness as well as the more traditional Mobile Field Force Tactics. A team generally consists of four squads and may be supplemented by specialized units from ILEAS member agencies.



The MFF may be utilized to:

- Provide security at sites where pharmaceuticals from the National Strategic Stockpile are being distributed.
- Provide evacuation assistance related to weapons of mass destruction incidents.
- Rescue victims or police officers under hazardous conditions.
- Apprehend multiple offenders in crowd situations.
- Isolate areas of civil disorder and disaster by the use of large, organized perimeters.
- Control or disburse unruly crowds.

Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System - ILEAS

Weapons of Mass Destruction - WMD

Detective Alex Mercado has been a member of the ILEAS WMD SRT since its inception in 2005. He is an instructor for ILEAS teaching the WMD Equipment Basic course at the ILEAS training facility in Urbana. During regular training, which is held twice a month, the activities have been heavily geared toward preparedness for the G8/NATO Summit scheduled to occur in Chicago May of 2012.

Northern Illinois Police Alarm System NIPAS

The Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS) represents a joint venture of suburban municipal police departments in the Chicago metropolitan area. Fifteen police agencies created NIPAS in 1983 to ensure effective police mutual aid in times of natural disasters. From these humble beginnings, the system has grown to include law enforcement agencies of cities, villages, and towns in several counties.



Member agencies can deploy the Emergency Services Team for hostage/barricade incidents, high-risk warrant service, major crime scene searches, search and rescue missions, dignitary protection, and similar tactical incidents. The team follows the original principles of NIPAS, agencies pooling their resources to provide the best service possible for their communities, the retention of local control, and cost savings through the sharing of specialized equipment. Member agencies participate in the Emergency Services Team voluntarily.

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I N V E S T I G A T I O N S



In 2011 the Investigations Unit was staffed by Sergeant Michael McGarry, Detectives Alex Mercado, Christopher Morgret, David Sweet and Landon Girard. This unit is responsible for conducting thorough follow-up investigations of all cases brought to the attention of the Department, including: identifying, apprehending and assisting in the prosecution of criminal offenders; locating witnesses; collecting physical evidence; recovering property; and preparing cases for court.

Investigators are responsible for tracking crime patterns, collecting and disseminating intelligence information to patrol personnel and to representatives of other law enforcement agencies, and maintaining open lines of communication between the Wilmette Police Department, the schools, community groups and court officials. Wilmette Investigators also serve as the Department's Juvenile Officers and are certified as such by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.

Several of the significant investigations the Wilmette Police Department conducted in 2011 are detailed in this section. Some of the cases are still awaiting adjudication and did not have court dispositions at the time of this publication.

Drug Enforcement

In January and February of 2011 Wilmette Detectives conducted a multi jurisdictional drug operation concentrating on several mid to high level marijuana dealers. At the conclusion of the investigation several marijuana dealers were arrested. Detectives executed search warrants and recovered numerous narcotics and over \$55,000.00 USC was recovered.

In July of 2011 Wilmette Detectives conducted a drug operation regarding the sale of large amounts of cannabis in the area. 5 arrests were made and a search warrant was executed at a Skokie man's apartment resulting in the seizure of over 4 pounds of cannabis and \$26,000.00 USC.

Fake Identification Sting

During the summer months of 2011 Wilmette Detectives worked several details around local liquor stores focusing on the use of fake ID's to purchase alcohol. Detectives made several arrests and confiscated 10 fake ID's that had been used to purchase alcohol.

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Bicycle Thefts

In June of 2011 Detectives were working surveillance details in the area of the Wilmette Metra bicycle racks. This was in response to numerous bicycle thefts from that location and other area Metra stations. Wilmette Detectives subsequently identified two suspects and followed them to Winnetka and Glencoe where they were observed cutting locks and stealing bicycles.

Wilmette Detectives arrested the offenders and were able to obtain consent to search a storage facility being used by the offenders to store other stolen bicycles. Detectives searched the storage facility and recovered a gun and 27 stolen bicycles with a total value in excess of \$10,000.00. The recovered bicycles were identified as being stolen from Wilmette, Winnetka, Glencoe, Deerfield and Chicago. The offenders were indicted on several felony charges.



Chief Edwin Whiteside 1965

Residential Burglary

In December of 2011 Detectives and Patrol Officers worked several tactical details in response to numerous residential burglaries occurring in the evening hours. Thanks to the efforts of a local resident, detectives were able to identify and arrest two offenders believed to be involved in this spree of residential burglaries. Patrol Officers were able to recover proceeds at the scene linking the offenders to the burglary while Investigators later secured admissions solidifying the criminal case. Both offenders were charged with felony residential burglary.

Graffiti Cases

Between July and August of 2011, 22 instances of spray paint graffiti occurred at several locations around Wilmette to include; High Crest Middle School, McKenzie School, Wilmette Jr. High School, Harper School. Wilmette Patrol Officers as well as Detectives worked several surveillance details around the targeted schools and eventually arrested four subjects for criminal damage to property after they admitted to spray painting graffiti at the Wilmette Jr. High School and Regina Dominican H.S. The four were charged with multiple counts of criminal damage to property.

Unlawful Use of a Credit Card

In September Detectives investigated a pickpocket theft that occurred at Five Guys Restaurant in Wilmette. They were able to identify two offenders after reviewing hours of surveillance footage and with the assistance of the Indiana Gaming Commission obtain the true identities of the offenders. Gaming Commission Investigators were able to link the offenders to ongoing credit card fraud investigations within the casinos and charge them with 18 felony counts of fraud in Indiana.



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Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT)

Bias Based Profiling Report

Bias Based profiling is the selection of an individual for enforcement actions based solely on a trait common to a group. This includes but is not limited to, race, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age, cultural group or any other identifiable group. Bias based profiling of individuals by members of the Wilmette Police Department is strictly prohibited by state statutes and by departmental directives.

Law enforcement agencies in Illinois have been required to collect profiling data on all traffic stops since 2004 and to publish such data since 2005.

Although not required by law, the Wilmette Police Department further analyzes the data to ascertain if enforcement actions are consistent when comparing gender, race and residency. Providing impartial enforcement is a guiding principle of the agency which is evident in the stop and enforcement data.

In 2011, the Wilmette Police Department had over 17,000 contacts with residents or the public in terms of calls for service or self-initiated activity, including traffic stops and field investigations. In the past 4 years (June 2007 through December 2011),

2011 Traffic Stops Data Collection and Analysis						
	Caucasian Driver		Minority Drivers			
Total Stops	3020		796			
Percentage Stops	79%		21%			
Estimated Driving Population	80.39%		19.61%			
Ratio	1: .98		1: 1.10			
Reason For the Stop						
	Caucasian Drivers		Minority Drivers			
Total Number of Stops	3020		796			
Moving Violations	2534	84%	638	80%		
Equipment Violations	215	7%	88	11%		
Licensing/Registration Violation	271	9%	70	9%		
Outcome of the Stop						
	Caucasian Drivers		Minority Drivers			
Total Number of Stops	3020		796			
Citation	1677	56%	443	56%		
Verbal Warning	1343	44%	353	44%		
Vehicle Searches						
	Caucasian Drivers		Minority Drivers			
Total Number of Stops	3020		796			
Consent Searches (performed)	12		7			
	Wilmette Residents	Non Residents	Caucasian Drivers		Minority Drivers	
Total Stops	1041	2775	Male	Female	Male	Female
Outcome of the Stop	570	1550	922	755	270	173
	471	1225	743	600	224	129

agency personnel have had over 88,000 contacts without a single verified or founded complaint of bias based policing. This is a significant number of public contacts. The lack of any founded complaints in 8 years is clearly a solid factor in determining the Department is not engaging in biased based policing.

The Wilmette Police Department devoted a great deal of time providing training to agency personnel in those disciplines that would lend themselves to preventing bias based policing.

In 2011, Wilmette Police Officers made a total of 3816 traffic stops. Of the total stops 79% of the drivers were Caucasian and 21% were minorities. There is less than a 1% difference in the actual stop ratio and the estimated driving population in Wilmette.



* as determined by the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety

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Professional Accreditation

The police department was first accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) on November 1986. Agencies that receive this award must undergo a re-accreditation process every three years to ensure continued compliance. For Wilmette, accreditation is an ongoing endeavor for excellence, the department works daily to maintain compliance with the standards. In anticipation of our three-year re-accreditation review in 2012, a team of experienced law enforcement professionals scrutinized the policies and procedures of the department to comply with the updated accreditation standards as well as changes that have occurred with the past three years in the law and criminal procedures. Police accreditation has served as a strong foundation to assist the Wilmette Police Department in attaining the high level of professional service it provides to the public. Currently there are 60 accredited law enforcement agencies in Illinois and 582 nationally.



CALEA is a national organization formed in 1979 by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), the national Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE), the National Sheriff's Association (NSA) and the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF). The Commission developed a comprehensive set of 462 written standards, which cover every aspect of law enforcement policies, procedures, practices, and operations. These standards exemplify the best practices an agency must adhere to in order to achieve an accredited status.



Illinois Special Olympic Torch Run 2011



The Special Olympics Mission is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with physical and intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympic athletes and their community. The Special Olympics began in 1968 with a total of 1,000 athletes from the U.S. and Canada. In 2011 there are more than 32,000 athletes served in Illinois alone.



The Wilmette Police Department takes a very active role in fund-raising and promotion of this program. Agency personnel participated in the June Torch Run where the funds raised added to the \$2.75 million dollars raised in Illinois during 2011.

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NORTH REGIONAL MAJOR CRIMES TASK FORCE



May 2011

The North Regional Major Crimes Task Force (NORTAF) consists of investigators and forensic specialists from thirteen local police departments. NORTAF assists member municipalities in the investigation of homicides, non-parental kidnappings, and school shootings. Two Wilmette Police Department personnel, Officers Solveig Gehrken and Commander Kyle Murphy, are assigned to the task force.

The Evanston Police Department requested activation for investigation of a homicide. Police were called to a disturbance complaint involving gunfire and found the victim, a cabbie, shot in his auto. The NORTAF Forensic Team secured and processed the scene for evidence. The victim survived for three days before succumbing to his wound. NORTAF Investigative team along with the Evanston Detective Unit conducted a thorough investigation that included several interviews, evidence review and investigative tactics. The offender was identified and arrested. The investigation revealed that the offender, a Chicago man on parole for robbery, was picked up by the victim and asked to be driven to the area of the shooting. The offender produced a gun and demanded money. The victim attempted to flee and was shot once in the head. The Cook County's States Attorney's Office reviewed the case and approved charges of first -degree homicide and attempted aggravated robbery. The defendant is in custody awaiting trial.

2011 Activation Summary

NORTAF was called out to assist member agencies on 6 investigations during 2011.

January 2011

The Glenview Police Department requested activation for the investigation of a suspicious death. The victim, an unidentified female, was found dumped outside of the Glenbrook Hospital Emergency Room during frigid weather. There were no signs of obvious trauma to the deceased and she had no identification on her person. The NORTAF Forensic Team secured and processed the scene collecting several pieces of evidence. The victim was identified after reviewing missing persons reports. The investigation revealed the victim was a 27 year-old with a history of drug use, she had been released from jail earlier that day and was picked up by a male friend. A suspect was developed from multiple interviews. The suspect was questioned on the events and revealed he and the female were using heroin and she overdosed at his home in Northbrook. The case was turned over to the Glenview Police Department for additional follow-up with the Cook County Assistant State's Attorney in determining if charges will be filed.

July 2011

The Evanston Police Department requested activation for investigation of a homicide. Police were called to a home for the report of an unresponsive person. They found a 34 year-old male victim with suspicious trauma. Witnesses related that there was a drinking party the night before and the victim had been fighting with someone. The NORTAF Forensic Team secured and processed the scene for evidence. NORTAF Investigative team along with the Evanston Detective Unit conducted a thorough investigation that included identifying and interviewing over 25 witnesses from the party. The offender was identified and arrested. The investigation revealed that the offender was upset with the victim and punched him in the face and kicked him about the body. The Medical Examiner revealed that the victim was suffering from internal bleeding. The Cook County's States Attorney's Office reviewed the case and approved a murder charge. The defendant is in custody awaiting trial.

The Kenilworth Police Department requested activation for the investigation of a suspicious death. A 27 year old male was found dead at his friend's residence. The victim sustained a single shotgun wound to the head. The NORTAF Forensic Team secured and processed the scene for evidence. There was a limited Investigative team activation to conduct a background of the victim, home and his friends. The investigation revealed that the victim had been discharged from the military that day, broke up with his girlfriend and committed suicide at her home.

September 2011

The Evanston Police Department requested activation for the investigation of a homicide. Police were dispatched to the area of Howard and Chicago Avenue for a man down on the sidewalk. They located a man lying unresponsive on the sidewalk bleeding from the face.

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There was little evidence at the scene for NORTAF Forensics. They processed the scene and the victim. The Medical Examiner ruled the death a homicide from blunt trauma to the head caused by an assault. The investigation revealed that the victim was a disabled person who was confronted on the street for a robbery. The offenders are seen on video surprising the victim with a single punch to the face. Investigators developed a suspect and apprehended him. He admitted to his involvement relating that the motive was a robbery that yielded ten dollars. The second offender was identified and apprehended. The Cook County's States Attorney's Office reviewed the case and approved a murder charge on the offender who punched the victim but declined any charges on the second offender. Trial is pending.

October 2011

The Skokie Police Department requested a limited activation for a double homicide. A Skokie resident called 9-1-1 and stated that he stabbed his daughter and granddaughter at his apartment. The police arrived to find the caller's 18 year-old daughter dead and her 2 year-old baby bleeding and unresponsive. The man was taken into custody and the scene was secured for NORTAF Forensics. The team processed the apartment for evidence while Skokie managed the investigation with their Investigation Division. Both victims succumbed to their injuries and the offender made a statement. The case was reviewed by the Cook County's States Attorney's Office and homicide charges were filed. The defendant is in custody awaiting trial.



Thieves stopped after robbing the 1st Federal Savings and Loan located on Wilmette Ave. February 1956

The following is a summary of NORTAF cases court dispositions in 2011:

A 2006 Lincolnwood case was concluded when the offender was found guilty and sentenced to 60 years for killing his brother. James McDurmon, 50, of the 7000 block of North Tripp was convicted of first-degree murder of his brother, 53 year old Lester McDurmon. The conviction came in September 2011 after a jury rejected his claim of insanity. The Lincolnwood man was sentenced on November 30th at the Skokie Courthouse.

A 2006 Evanston case was concluded when the offender pled guilty on charges of possession of a firearm, obstructing justice, and endangering the life of a child. Pierre Miller, 19, was convicted and pled to seven years. Pierre was responsible for the death of his 4 year-old nephew after a weapon he was handling went off and fatally wounded the child.

A 2007 Niles case was concluded when the offenders pled guilty to charges stemming from the home invasion and murder of Michael Childers, 28. Rafael Diaz, 21, and Frank Limardo, 25, were convicted on first-degree murder and home invasion charges. Sentencing took place at the Skokie Courthouse in December 2011, Diaz was sentenced to 15 years while Limardo took 16 years for his involvement.

A 2009 Skokie case was concluded in November 2011. The trial of Steven Bibbs, 19, was awaiting the jury verdict that could have brought a 60 year sentence when he decided to plead guilty in exchange for a 20-year prison sentence. Bibbs was convicted in the first-degree murder of his friend; Dashaun Davy, 17.

A 2009 Niles case was concluded in November of 2011 when the offender, Francisco Moran, 18, pled guilty to using a car to run down and kill the 16 year old victim, Edgardo De La Torre. Moran was sentenced to 20 years in prison for the murder of De La Torre. Moran drove the stolen vehicle at a group of kids walking and struck one, leaving him slightly injured. He then turned the auto around and deliberately chased down and fatally struck De La Torre. Moran also pled guilty to attempted first-degree murder of the first victim and was sentenced to six years. The sentences will run concurrent.

A 2010 Wilmette case was concluded in November 2011. The defendant, Anthony Rapoport, 24, pled guilty to the bludgeoning death of his aunt; Nancy Rapoport, 49. On Christmas Day 2010 Anthony Rapoport intentionally struck his aunt about the head with a bat and caused her death. Rapoport then staged the scene to make it appear like self-defense. Rapoport was sentenced to 30-years in prison.

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BURGLARY TASK FORCE

In April 2005 the thirteen NORTAF member agencies authorized the permanent addition of the Burglary Task Force for the purpose of investigating burglary patterns that affect multiple member agencies. Two Wilmette Police Department personnel are assigned to the Burglary Task Force.

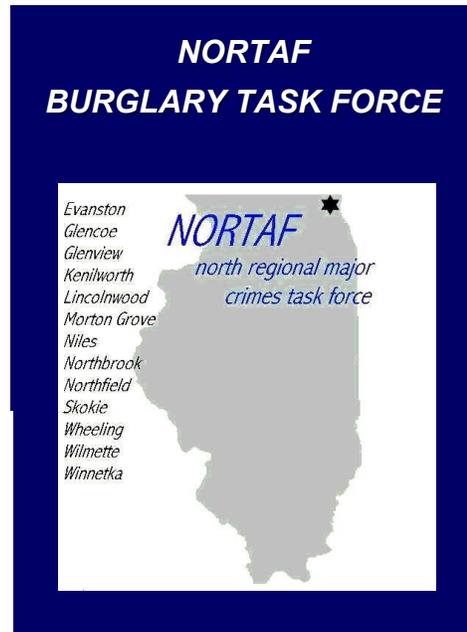
2011 Activation Summary

- February 2011** This activation was for a ruse entry style Burglary pattern involving offenders targeting elderly homeowners in Highland Park, Lincolnwood, Morton Grove, Northbrook, Skokie and Wilmette. Surveillance was conducted on several suspects and vehicles during the investigation. The Task force assisted Northbrook Police during the execution of a search warrant where jewelry, a coin collection and weapons were recovered. Two suspects were arrested and charged with residential burglary.

Days activated:	9
Outside agencies involved:	0
Arrests:	3
Cases cleared or attributed to these offenders	5
- April 2011.** This activation was for a sporadic dayshift Residential Burglary pattern consisting of small prisms to doors and/or windows where jewelry and cash were stolen in Glencoe, Glenview, Highland Park, Kenilworth, Lincolnwood, Northbrook, Skokie and Wilmette.

Days activated:	10
Outside agencies involved:	3
Arrests:	0
- July 2011.** This activation was for a ruse style Residential Burglary pattern involving offenders targeting elderly homeowners in Glenview, Niles, Wilmette, Riverside, Burbank, DeKalb County, Pleasant Prairie, WI and possibly several other jurisdictions. Members conducted surveillance on a vehicle suspected of being involved in these offenses.

Days activated:	4
Outside agencies involved:	2
Arrests:	3
Cases cleared or attributed to these offenders	9



- September 2011.** This activation was for a pattern of dayshift Residential Burglaries using a pattern of brute force or prisms to windows and doors suspected in Skokie, Niles, Lincolnwood and Morton Grove. Subsequent investigations revealed that this offender was also responsible for burglaries in Park Ridge and Buffalo Grove. The primary targets were electronics, US currency and jewelry.

Days activated:	7
Outside agencies involved:	2
Arrests:	1
Cases cleared or attributed to these offenders	29
- September 2011.** This investigation focused on two Commercial Burglary suspects who were found to be in possession of several pry tools, gloves and a mask in a strip mall in Mt Prospect.

Days activated:	4
Outside agencies involved:	6
Arrests:	2
Cases cleared or attributed to these offenders	36
- October 2011.** This activation was for a Residential Burglary pattern occurring primarily on weekday evenings affecting Skokie, Wilmette, Niles and possibly Evanston and Glenview over the past few months.

Days activated:	6
Arrests:	0

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Major Crash Assistance Team (MCAT)



Ofc. Chris Morgret
Crash Specialist



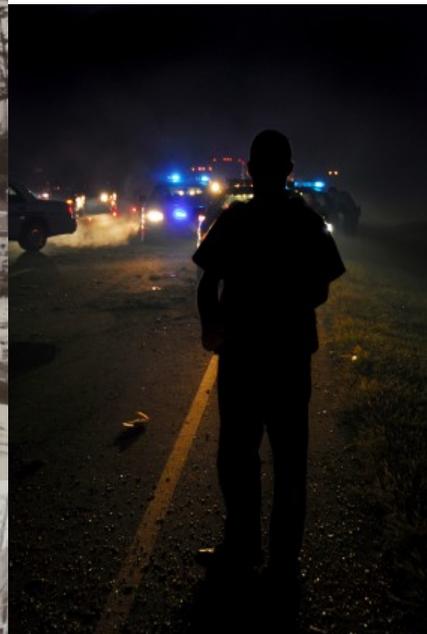
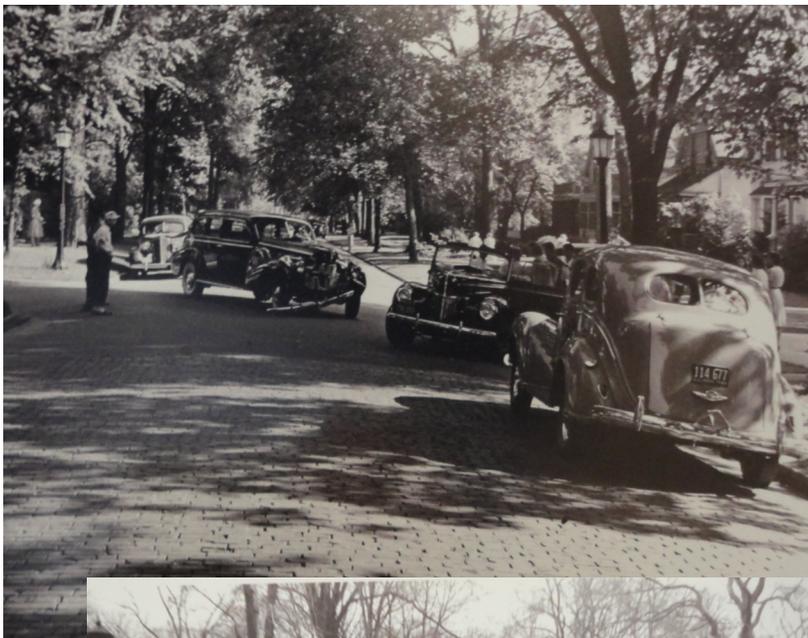
Ofc. Stephen Leigh
Team Leader



Ofc. Larry Betz
Forensic Specialist

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Traffic Crash Photos

Clockwise from lower left

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Forest Avenue, July 1940 12th
Street & Forest Avenue & July
2011 Skokie Valley Road.*

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Records

The Records Section is responsible for all the records created by the WPD. In 2011, the Department issued 3035 traffic citations, made 698 arrests, wrote approximately 2000 reports and investigated over 900 traffic accidents. The documents generated by officers and civilians in the department are submitted to the record's section on a daily basis. These documents are inspected and the information is entered in the WPD's Record Management System. This information is then used to develop maps and other reports to assist staff in identifying crime patterns. The Records Section also handled approximately 150 public record requests, purged old and outdated records and distributed records

to numerous other local, county and state agencies. Records Clerks perform a variety of other tasks in a demanding multi-tasking environment. Clerks are responsible for processing and maintaining citations (5030 in 2011), subpoenas, documents required for court proceedings, government requests, audits as well as responding to citizens walking into the police department for assistance.

Another function of the Records Section is to collect the data required to satisfy state law mandating data collection in regard to racial profiling and bias based policing.

The police department Records Section prides itself on its professionalism and its dedication to providing prompt courteous customer service.

Social Work

For over thirty years, the Wilmette Police Department has maintained a Social Services Unit, which provides services to our residents who are referred by the Police Officers and by staff members from the Fire Department and Village Hall. Frequent reasons of referrals include the following:

- Domestic Abuse
- Victim/Witness Assistance
- Elder Concerns
- Child Abuse /Neglect
- Drugs & Alcohol Issues
- Mental Health
- Family Conflicts
- Youth Problems
- Limited Emergency Financial Assistance
- Crisis Intervention
- Assessment and Referral



Depending on the needs, issues and appropriateness, assistance provided may range from consultation, short term counseling for families, individuals, adolescents; court advocacy, assistance in obtaining an Order of Protection as well as home visits to better assess the circumstance in cases involving vulnerable seniors. Referral and resource information are also provided for cases that require longer term, specialized services.

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Circa 1978



At old Police Station on Green Bay Road pre 1968



Communications

The Communications Center of the Wilmette Department is staffed by a Supervisor, six full-time and six part-time employees who serve the 27,000 residents of the Village of Wilmette. The personnel assigned are responsible for answering administrative and emergency telephone lines as well as all 911 calls that originate from within the village. Their duties include dispatching police units, monitoring various radio frequencies used by Village departments and ensuring the safety of individuals in custody. The Center handles approximately 20,000 calls for service each year utilizing a UHF conventional radio channel which is shared by the other police departments in New Trier Township. Telecommunicators have access to the state Law Enforcement Agency Data System (LEADS) and the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) which allows them to be in contact with all levels of law enforcement. An emergency telephone notification system Code RED, is in place to notify residents when a village wide emergency exists. Sign-up information for the Code RED system is available on the village website at www.wilmette.com. The Communications Center is under the direction of Eric Peterson, Communications Supervisor, who is responsible for staffing and the day-to-day operations.



Evidence/Property Control

The custody and control of evidence is of the utmost concern to any police department. The proper handling, accountability and processing of evidence can mean the difference between a conviction or an acquittal of a suspected offender. The Wilmette Police Department's evidence room and its policies and procedures are designed for compliance with standards set by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement (CALEA). These policies and procedures ensure that evidence is properly documented and handled and that appropriate inspections and inventories are conducted as required by the accrediting agency.

In 2011, the evidence room received 1,098 new items. Upon being received, each item is issued a barcode number and logged into the department's evidence tracking software. This software allows for accurate accounting for all items stored in the evidence room and for detailed reports on those items.

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2011 Bike Safety at McKenzie School being conducted by Officers Parisi and Perez.

1939 Bicycle Safety at Saint Francis School being conducted by Officer Whiteside and Chief McGuire.

School Resource Officer

Since the 1980's the Wilmette Police Department has enjoyed a close partnership with local schools. In 2010, the department transitioned from a curriculum specific program to a resource program. With this transition, the department is able to interact with a large range of students in a proactive and meaningful way. In addition to providing instruction on current health and safety issues, the School Resource Officer is a resource to school administrators, students and families that may require specific services..



The Wilmette Police SRO is on campus periodically at the pre-K, grade, middle and high schools. The presence of a uniformed police officer provides for positive interaction with children and promotes a heightened level of security.

The SRO provides support and training for school staff on issues of juvenile law, substance abuse, and school safety. She investigates crimes committed by juveniles and is involved in planning and executing several enforcement programs throughout the year, such as juvenile drinking suppression, Internet Safety, alcohol & marijuana laws.



Project Sticker Shock

On April 28th, the Wilmette Police Department and volunteers from New Trier High School organization, Voices in Prevention (VIP) kicked off "Project Sticker Shock," by visiting local liquor stores in an effort to promote a change in adult attitudes about selling and providing alcohol to minors. Shelby Degina, a member of VIP said, "We are a social organization that visits junior high and middle schools in the area to talk about alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. We are a prevention group that provides students with information they can use, to make informed decisions based

on facts we provide." Some of the members of VIP placed posters and stickers on packaged goods, warning customers, it's illegal to provide alcohol to a person under 21 or to use a fake ID.

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CROSSING GUARDS *Then and Now*



The Village of Wilmette provides protection for children crossing the streets on their way to and from school by employing trained adult crossing guards. Community Service Officer Ronald Andrews supervises the crossing guards and conducts the necessary traffic studies and training. We are grateful for their dedication and professionalism. Wilmette's 2011 Crossing Guards and their years of service are listed below by their assigned locations:

Central School/St. Francis School

Alec Childress 5 years
Sue Daniels 9 Years
Dudley Fair 2 years
Herb Sheriff 20 years

Harper School

Richard Terry 6 years
Conrad Wolski 14 years
Jean Bodnik 14 years

Highcrest Middle School

William Walsh 4 years

Wilmette Jr. High

Joe Childress 7 years

McKenzie School

Terrance Wright 6 years
Thomas Haltom 6 years
Larry Daniels 5 years
Gwendolyn Hall 7 years

Romona School

Betty Smith 5 years
James Wrzala 2 years

St Joseph's School

Glyndean Lane 12 years



Chief Brian King, Deputy Chief Kyle Perkins and CSO Ron Andrews along with the 2011 Adult School Crossing Guards

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Chief of Police

Brian King

Deputy Chief

Kyle Perkins

Commander

Patrick Collins

Kyle Murphy

Martin Paulson

Sergeants

Thomas Dworak

Michael McGarry

Roger Ockrim

Michael Robinson

Edmund Trage

Daniel Walsh

Police Officers

Lawrence Betz

Sally Bullock

Connor Cavanagh

Michael Clark

Valerie Davis

Ronald Drag

Steven Eder

John Falk

Mark Gamba

Solveig Gehrken

Landon Girard

Luke Handrick

Jeffrey Hemesath

Josh Horbacher

Daniel Huck

Andrew Jurmu

Kevin Kiddle

Stephen Leigh

Alex Mercado

Christopher Morgret

Chris Neubauer

Jeffrey Newman

Claudia Olivo

Julie Parisi

James Pasquesi

Raimond Pavely

Jose Perez

Chris Przekota

Nicholas Rizzo

Ray Santana

David Sparks

James David Sweet

Andrew Swithin

Communications Supervisor

Eric Peterson

Administrative Secretary

Susan Budd

Management Analyst

Syndy Nugent

Community Service Officers

Ronald Andrews

Thomas Manning

Ronald Testa

Police Social Worker

Olivia Chui LCSW

Parking Control

Don George

Allen Stec

PT/Telecommunicators

Bruno Alvarez

Lynda McGarry

Laurie Moran

Ted Moran

Nigel Serbe

Telecommunicators

Freddie King

George Miagusko

Matthew Siegel

Barry Weiner

Data Processing Operators

Susan Green

Joan Miller