

ANNUAL REPORT

2017



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Section I

Introduction

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

As we close out 2017 and move into 2018, we enter the fourth year of the current five-year levy cycle. The police department has consistently maintained the projected fund balance above the Council-directed fifteen percent level and will be able to meet the directed twenty percent level for the 2018 proposed police budget.

The organization remains committed to state and national accreditation which emphasizes law enforcement agencies examine ways to expand community engagement efforts. Although community engagement and building successful community partnerships has been one of our core organizational strengths over the years, we conducted an extensive organizational review in early 2017. As a result of that review, the police department reorganized, creating more efficiency across the divisions with a less fragmented and more directed approach, especially in our community engagement efforts. The Investigations Division was renamed the Special Services Division, and the D.A.R.E. Program, Juvenile Operations, Citizens Police Academy and College Internship Program were moved under the Special Services Division. Also, the new position of Community Engagement Officer was created and will oversee our organization's community engagement efforts. This position will be filled in first half of 2018 when the department staffing of fifty (50) sworn officers is reached.

Additionally, in May 2016, the State of Ohio 9-1-1 Office established that all Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) have a minimum of two (2) communications operators on duty at all times. Failure to comply with this mandate by May 2018 would result in loss of 9-1-1 funding. Due to the increasing calls for service demands and liability considerations, we started compliance with this mandate on January 1, 2017. To maintain compliance and alleviate the overtime burden, the 2018 budget proposes increasing our Communications Operators from our current staffing of ten (10) to the proposed level of eleven (11).

Toward the end of 2017, the department invested in a technology upgrade by purchasing WatchGuard in-car video systems along with integrated body cameras and added new technology with drones to assist in servicing the community.

The commitment to professional excellence is the mission of this organization. In 2017 Beaver Creek was designated the 9th safest city on Ohio by SafeHome, which evaluates cities with populations over 42,000. This designation is a direct result of the positive collaborations we have with our community. I would like to thank everyone, including the men and women of the Beaver Creek Police Department, including our COPP volunteers, who are committed to keeping Beaver Creek a safe community.

As we go forward into 2018, working in partnership with our citizens continues to be a priority in our effort to make Beaver Creek a better community to live, work and play. I wish to thank the Mayor, each member of the Beaver Creek City Council, City Manager, and other Department Directors, along with our community partners for their support and assistance during 2017.

Dennis L. Evers
Chief of Police

Mission Statement

We, of Beavercreek Police Department, are committed to work in partnership with our community, to safeguard life and property while ensuring the rights of all people, and thereby enhancing the quality of life for our citizens.

Organizational Values

FAIRNESS

We will consistently treat everyone with dignity, compassion and respect without prejudice. We will protect the constitutional and civil rights of all people through impartial enforcement of the law.

INTEGRITY

We will strive to uphold public trust by being honest, competent and consistent in our beliefs and actions. We will hold ourselves accountable to the highest standards of professionalism through moral and ethical conduct.

LOYALTY

Members of this organization shall remain dedicated to the accomplishment of the mission and are willing to support one another in pursuit of personal and professional excellence.

Fundamental Goals

- Nurture the respect, confidence and trust of our community and other departments.
- Detection and apprehension of criminals.
- Increase pro-active/preventive initiatives throughout the community.
- Maintain order and safety through the community.
- Identify and address current and future needs of our community with regard to police service.

Section II

Organization

DEPARTMENT COMMAND STAFF



Chief Dennis L. Evers



Captain Jeff Fiorita
Operations



Captain Scott Molnar
Support Services



Captain Chad Lindsey
Special Services



Karen Mahaffey
Administrative Assistant



Sergeant Phil Wessler
Accreditation Manager

2017 DEPARTMENT TRANSITIONS

New Assignments:

- David Holley – to Detective
- Faith Lammert – to Records Clerk
- Sgt. Scott Spangler – to Operations Division
- Sgt. Shawn Sumner – to Special Services Division
- Greg Wiesert – to Technical Services Supervisor, Support Services

New Hire(s):

- Joel Schuler – Police Officer
- Deb Barber – Records Clerk
- Kristin Lay – Communications Operator
- Kathleen Gee – Police Officer
- Collin Peterson – Police Officer
- Meryl Westerheide – Police Officer

Retirements:

- Officer Rodney Curd – served October 1987- May 2017

Service Milestones:

- Officer Kevin Kovacs – 25 years
- Sergeant Shawn Sumner – 25 years
- Captain Jeff Fiorita – 25 years
- Officer Roger Hilderbrandt – 30 years
- Chief Dennis Evers – 35 years

Beavercreek Police Department

Organization by Function

The Beavercreek Police Department is the primary law enforcement agency for the City of Beavercreek. The department's fundamental responsibilities include the prevention of crime, protection of life and property, suppression of criminal activity, apprehension and prosecution of offenders, regulation of non-criminal conduct, and preservation of the public peace. Under the command of the Chief of Police, the Police Department's responsibilities are further divided into three sections: **Operations Division, Support Services Division and Special Services Division (formerly the Investigations Division).**

The department reorganized mid-2017 to gain more efficiency across all divisions and to expand its philosophy of community-based policing. The **Investigations Division** was renamed the **Special Services Division** to create a more directed approach to community engagement by moving the DARE program, Juvenile Operations, Citizens Police Academy, and College Internship Program all under Special Services. This reorganization also included the addition of a Community Engagement Officer.

The **Chief of Police** oversees all police operations and coordinates, organizes, directs and controls activities, implements policy, and makes necessary personnel and procedural changes to ensure the effective operation of the police department. The three Division Captains and the Administrative Assistant are directly accountable to the Chief of Police. The Administrative Assistant also provides assistance to the Chief of Police on Budgeting and Purchasing matters.

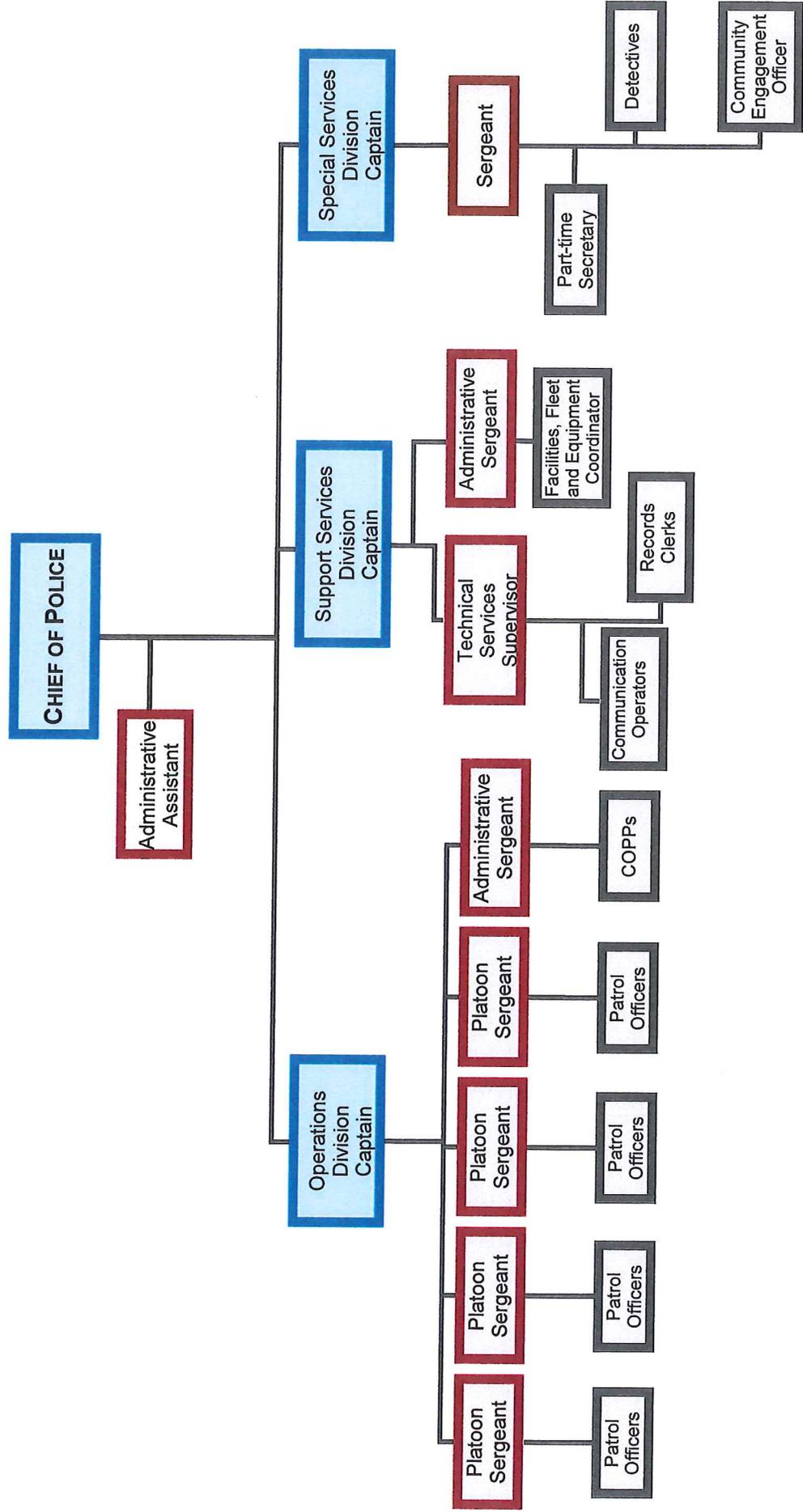
The **Operations Division**, commanded by a Captain, includes all primary police functions, such as: Patrol duties, Traffic section (including crash investigation), Bicycle Patrol, Legal Process, Collection and Preservation of Evidence, Community Oriented Policing, Crisis Intervention Team, Scheduling, Field Training, School Resources, Canine Officer, Explorer Program, and Citizens on Preventive Patrol (COPP).

The **Support Services Division**, commanded by a Captain, consists of a variety of functions that include: Police Communications, Accreditation, Records, Technical Services, Training, Evaluations, Grievance Administration, Inspections, Planning and Research, Regional Emergency Response Team, Recruitment and Selection, Fleet, Facilities, Uniforms and Equipment, Property Room Management, Planning & Research, and Grant Administration.

The **Special Services Division**, commanded by a Captain, encompasses several functions supporting department operations, including: General Investigations, Juvenile Operations, Vice, Narcotics, Organized Crime, Interagency Investigative Unit, Crime Analysis, Criminal Intelligence, Internal Affairs/ Discipline, Forensic Services, Alarm Administration, Victim/Witness Liaison, Community Engagement, Citizens Police Academy, College Internship Program, DARE program, Social Media Administration, and Public Information.

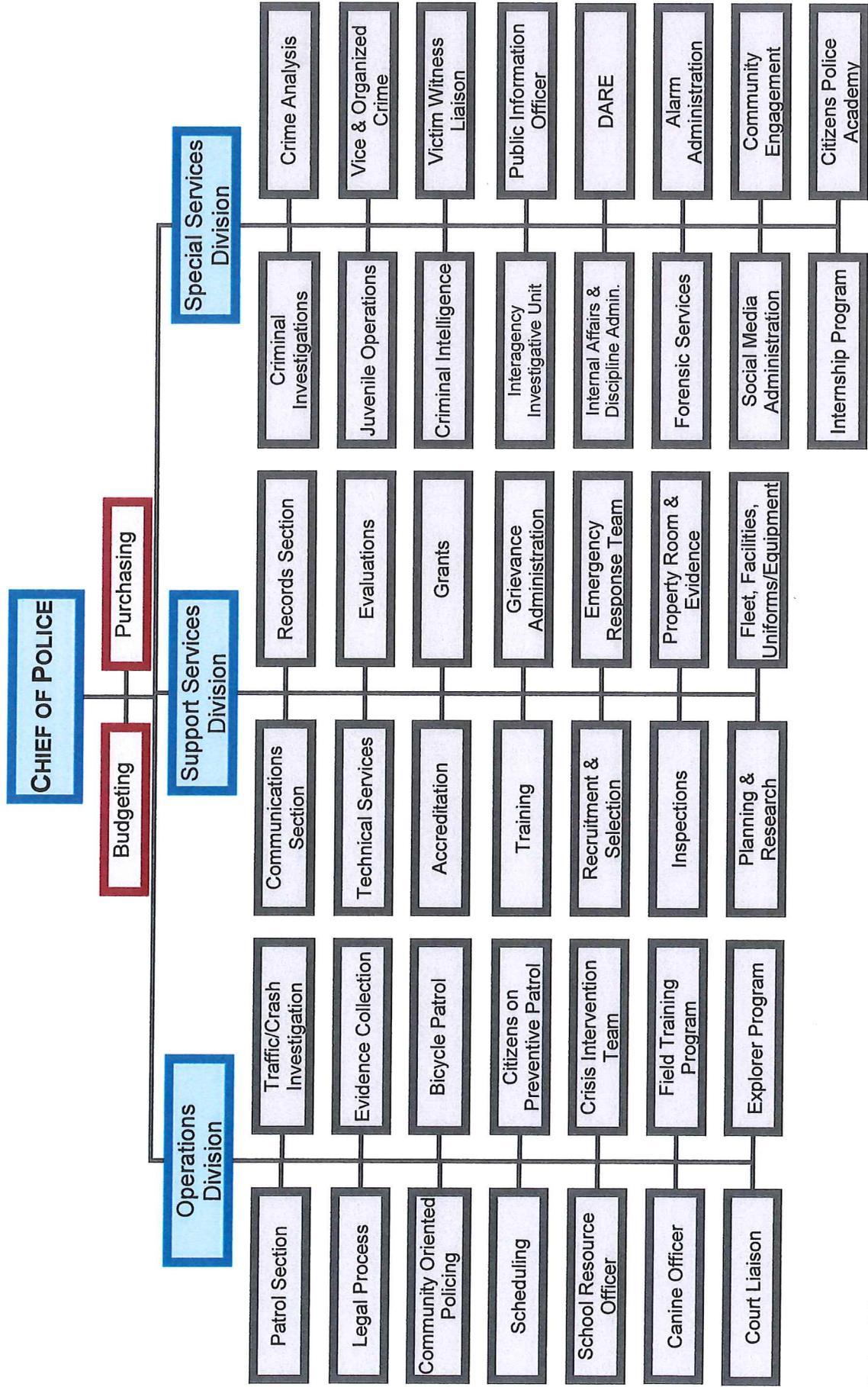
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ORGANIZATION BY STRUCTURE



BEAVERCREEK POLICE DEPARTMENT

ORGANIZATION BY FUNCTION



Section III

Organizational Awards

2017 Beavercreek Police Department Awards

The Beavercreek Police Department's annual department meeting was held on January 28, 2018 to recap 2017 events and achievements and present 2018 goals and objectives. Numerous letters of recognition and awards were presented to department employees acknowledging their efforts throughout the past year.

The following individuals received **"Letters of Recognition"** - **Officers Matt Barber, Mark Brown, Kristopher Brownlee, Brian Burkett, Nick Coltrane, Joel Diaz, David Durkin, Charmaine Hall, Kenneth Harris, Matt Hickey, Kevin Kovacs, David Majercak, Cynthia Peffly, Collin Peterson, James Spicer, Jennifer Stephens, Todd Suchy, and Christopher Unroe; Detectives John Bondy, David Holley, Robert Lee, and Brad Piasecki; Sergeants Nick Amato, David Darkow, Michael Hummel, and Shawn Sumner; and Communications Operators Sara DeBorde, Heather Jolly, Jennifer Kochaney, Lori McIntosh, Chelbie Peters, Yalonda Weber, and Lisa Wessler.** **"Department Commendations"** were awarded to: **Officers Christopher Beisner and Keith Duncan; Detectives John Bondy, Adam Kempf and Robert Lee; and Communications Operators Heather Jolly and Lori McIntosh.**

C.O.P.P.s Diana and Ray Blowers were honored as **"2017 C.O.P.P. of the Year"** for dedicating their time and talents to community policing, preventive initiatives, and special events throughout the Beavercreek area as members of the volunteer organization Citizens on Preventive Patrol for over ten years; **Records Clerk Robert Eggleton** was recognized as **"2017 Civilian Employee of the Year"** for his proficiency, initiative and spirit of cooperation; **Detective Adam Kempf** was named **"2017 Officer of the Year"** for his initiative, professionalism and commitment to teamwork. **Communications Operator Lisa Wessler** was presented the **"Chief's Award of Merit."** **Officer Kevin Kovacs, Sergeant Shawn Sumner and Captain Jeff Fiorita** were recognized for achieving twenty-five years of service in 2017.

The following individuals were honored by the community in 2017: **Officer Joel Diaz** received the **Knights of Columbus "Blue Coat" Award**; **Officer James Burton** received a **"MADD Award of Excellence"**; **School Resource Officers Mark Brown and Matt Hickey** received the **"Greene Optimist's Respect for Law Award"**; **Detective Brad Piasecki** received a **"Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award"** from Miami Valley Crimestoppers and was also named **"2017 Top Forensic Examiner"** by the United States Secret Service; and **Karen Mahaffey, Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police,** was named **"2017 City of Beavercreek Employee of the Year."**

The Beavercreek Police Department is proud to acknowledge these individuals for a job well done. Their consistent level of achievement towards our Mission Statement and personal and professional excellence in service to our community inspire great confidence in the agency and are to be commended.

2017 Department Awards



Robert Eggleton
2017 Civilian of the Year



Diana Blowers
2017 C.O.P.P. of the Year



Ray Blowers

(Detective Adam Kempf – not pictured)

Department Commendations



Officer Chris Beisner



Detective John Bondy



Officer Keith Duncan



Detective Robert Lee



C.O. Heather Jolly



C.O. Lori McIntosh

Service Anniversaries



Captain Jeff Fiorita
25 Years of Service



Officer Kevin Kovacs
25 Years of Service



Sergeant Shawn Sumner
25 Years of Service

Chief's Award of Merit



C.O. Lisa Wessler
30 years of service to Beaver Creek Police Department
prior to retirement in February 2018

2017 Community Awards



Officer Joel Diaz
KOC Blue Coat Award



Officer James Burton
MADD Award of Excellence



SRO Mark Brown
Greene Optimist
Respect for Law Award



SRO Matt Hickey
Greene Optimist
Respect for Law Award



Det. Brad Piasecki
Miami Valley Crimestoppers
Law Enforcement Officer of the Year
United States Secret Service
Top Forensic Examiner



Karen Mahaffey
City of Beavercreek
Employee of the Year

OFFICER RODNEY CURD RETIREMENT



Officer Rodney Curd

Served Beaver Creek from October 1987 – May 2017



Section IV

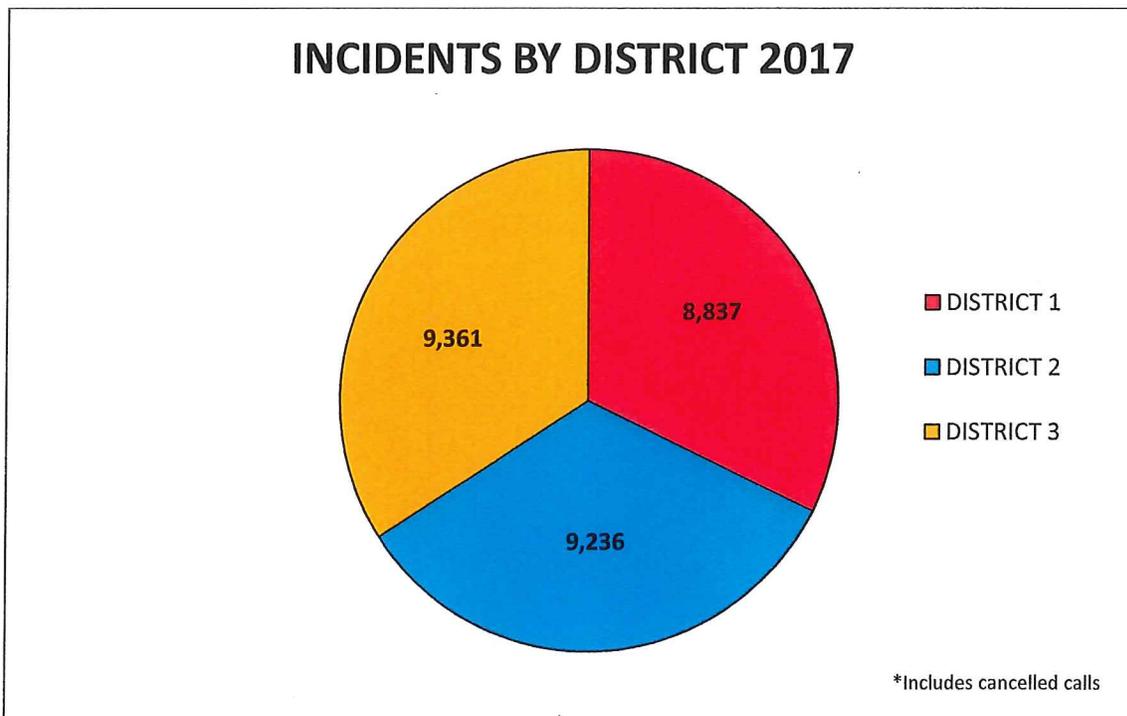
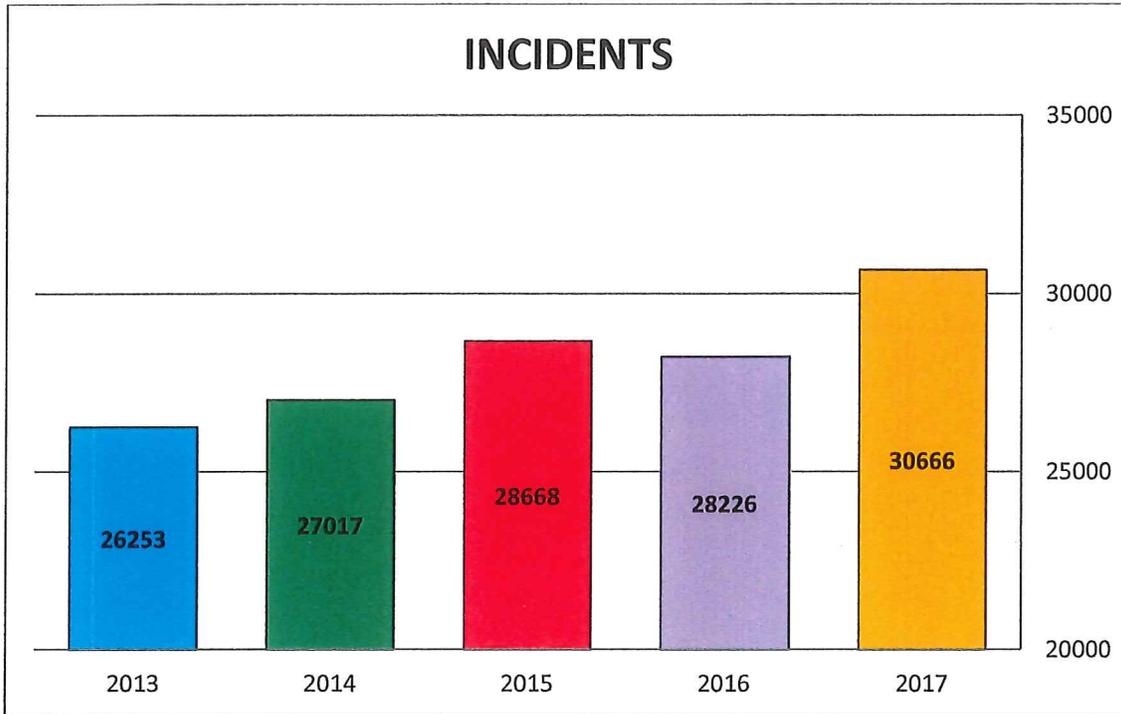
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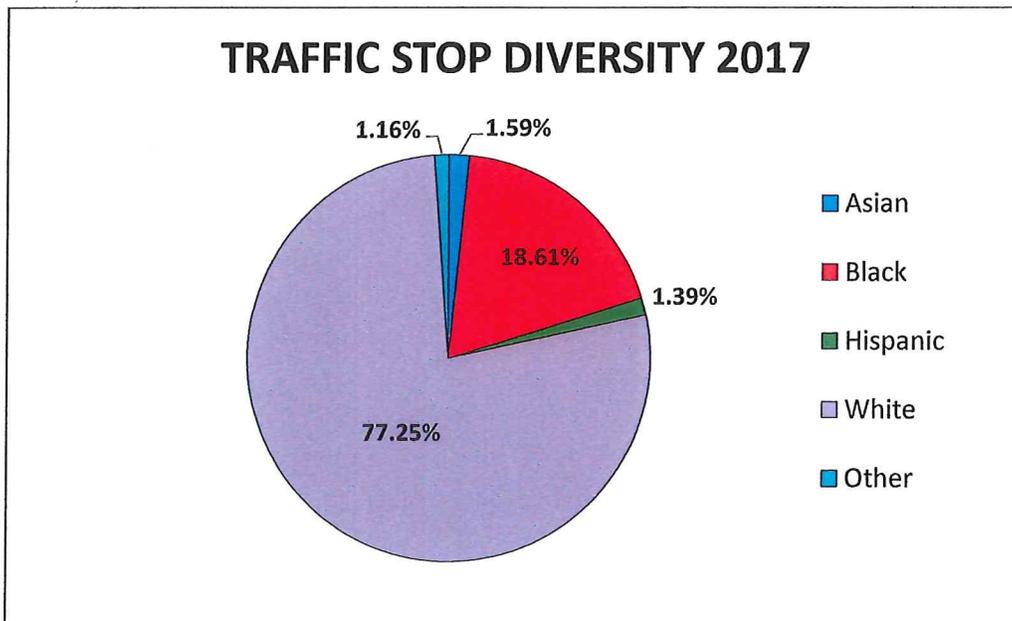
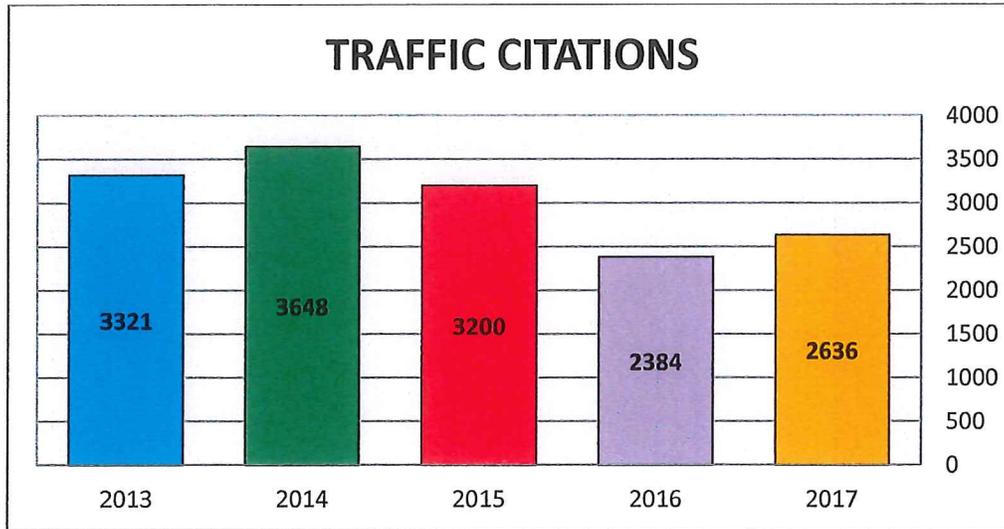
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INCIDENTS BY DISTRICT 2017



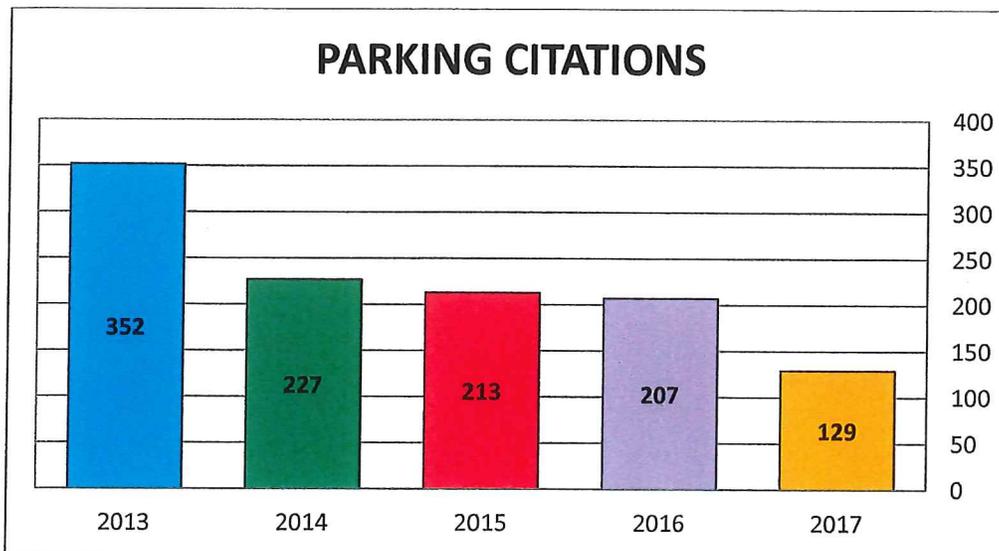
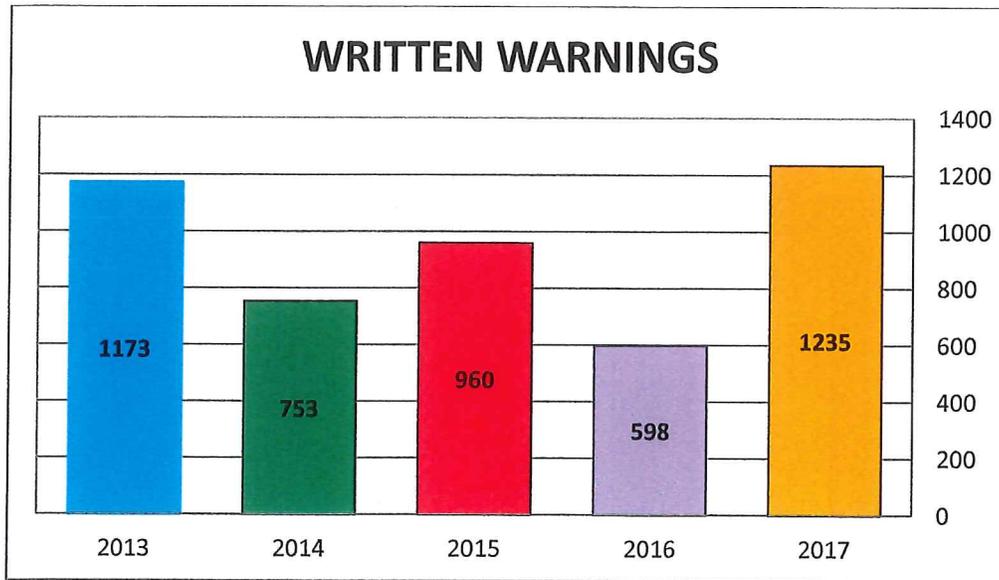
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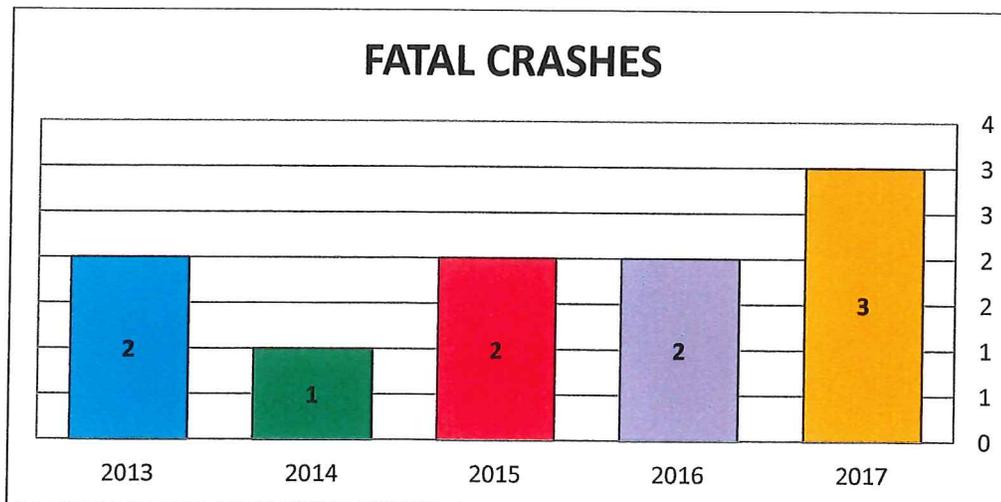
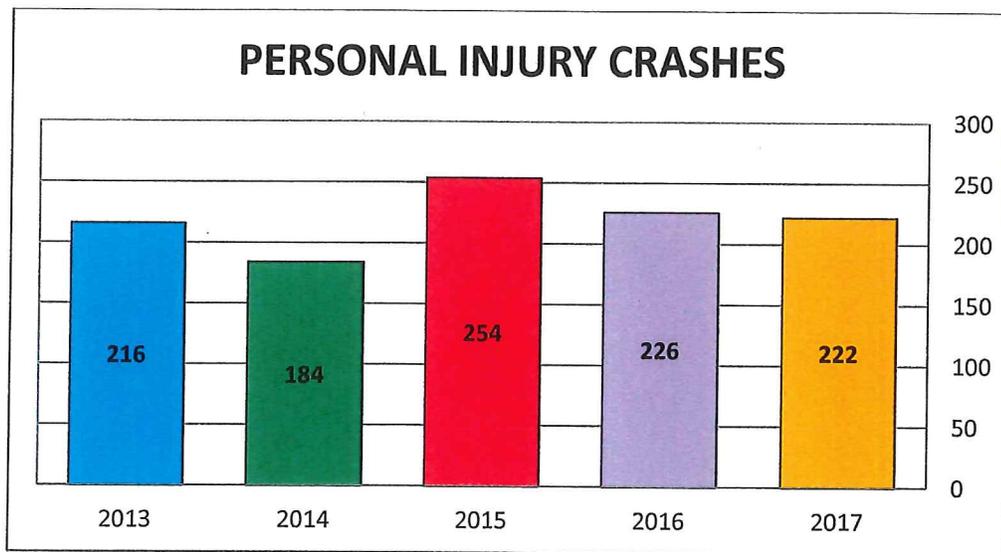
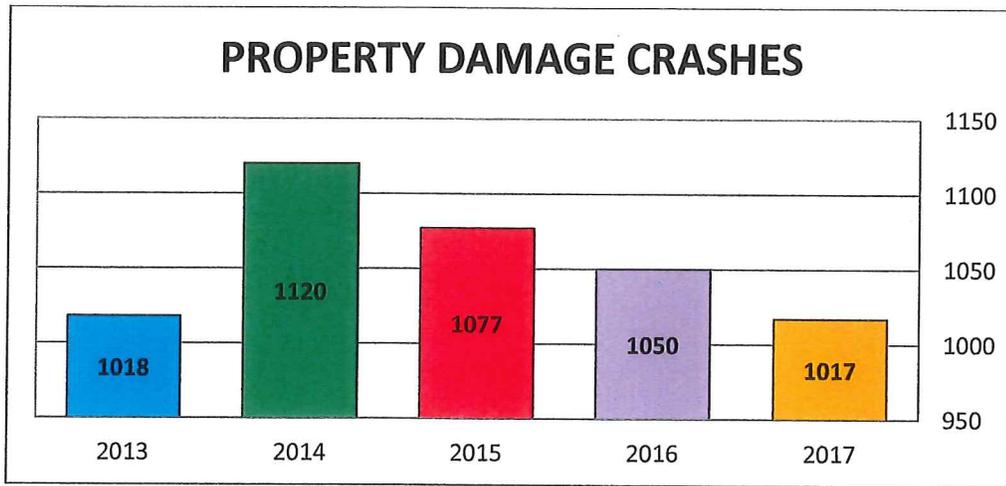
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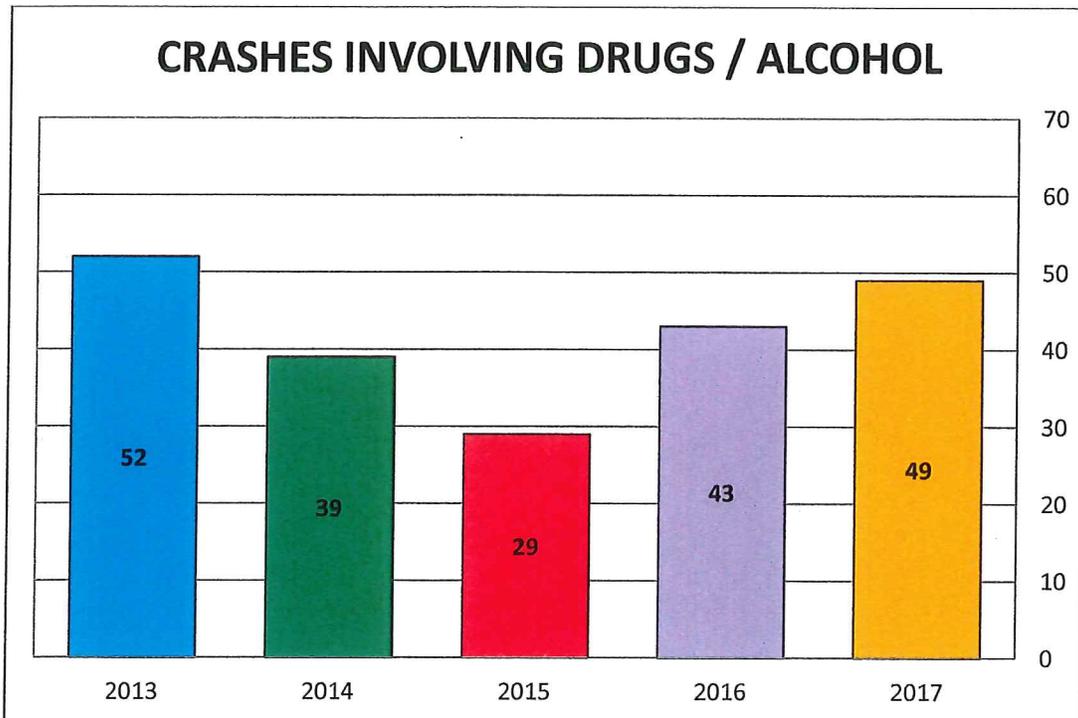
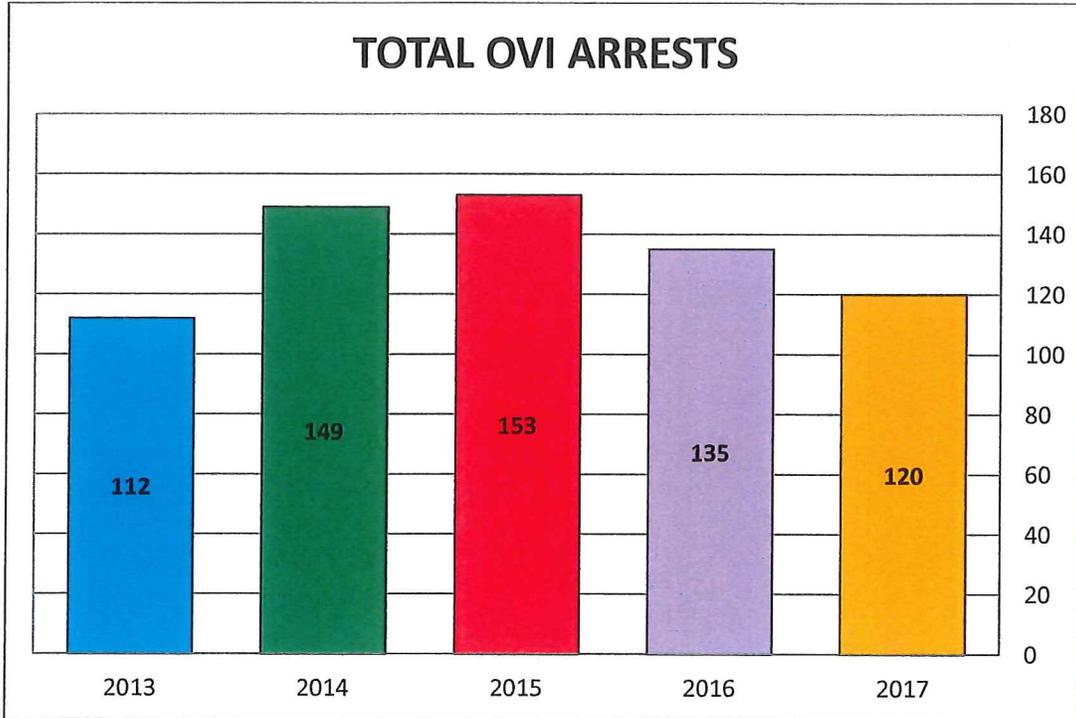
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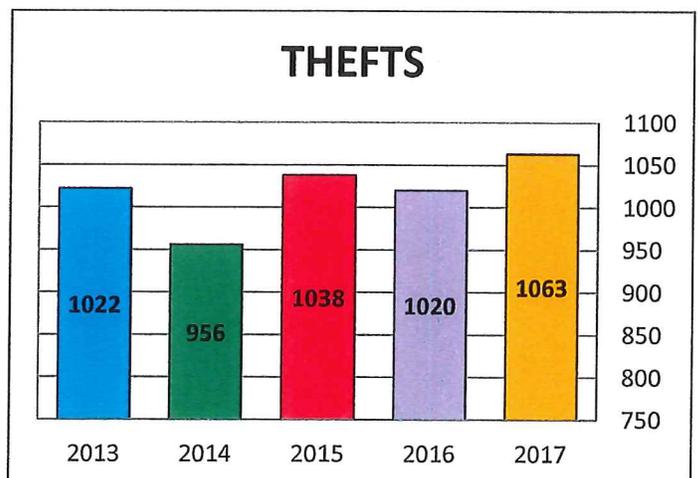
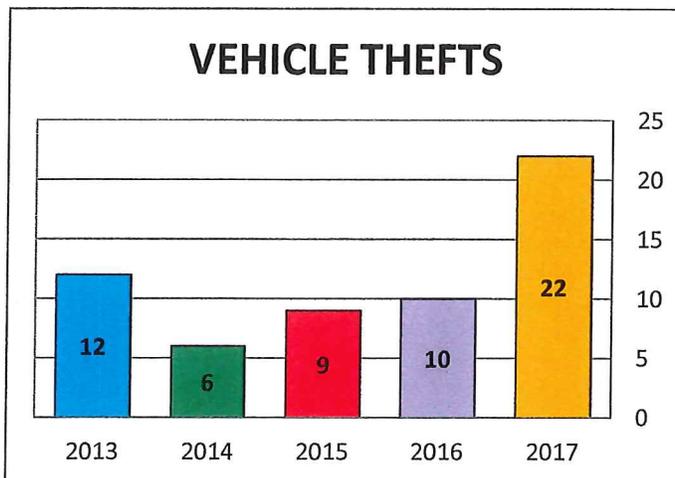
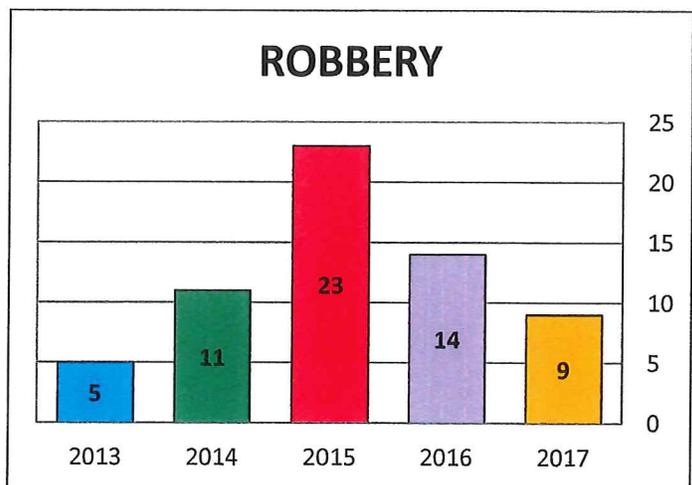
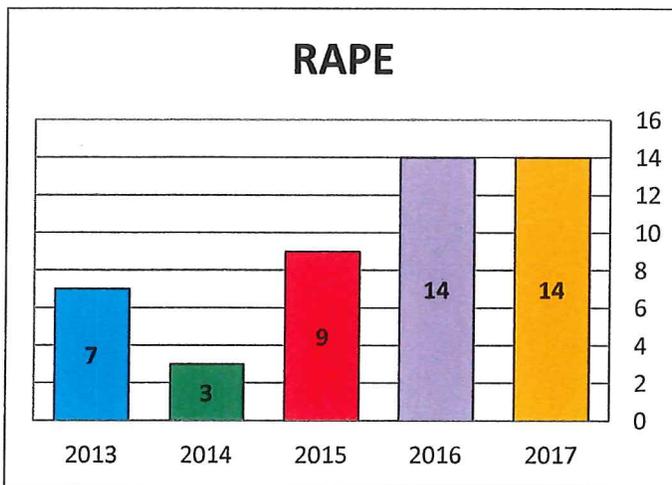
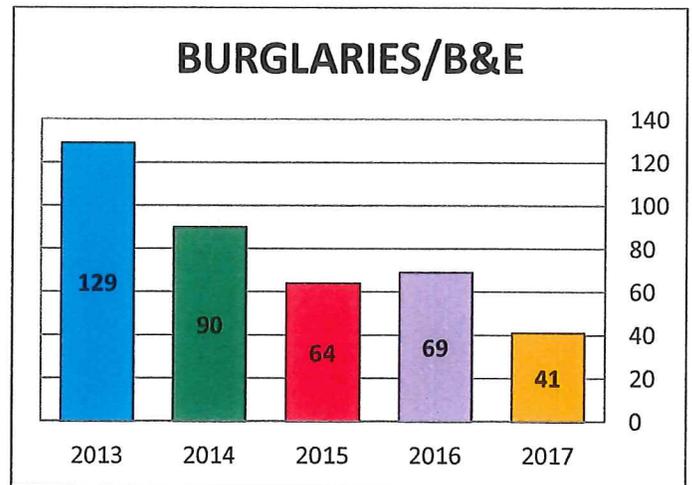
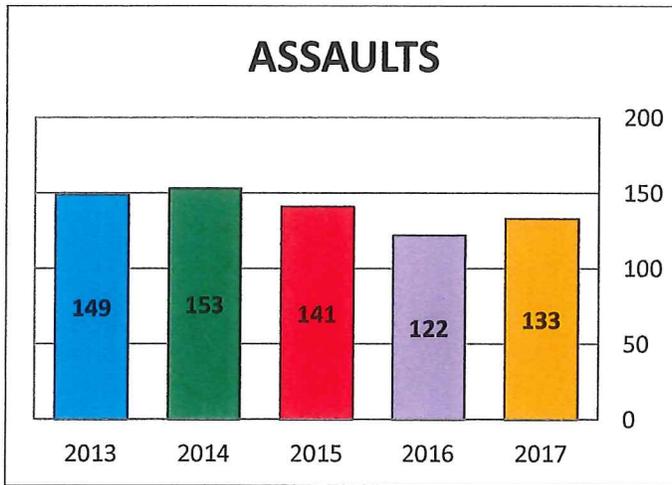


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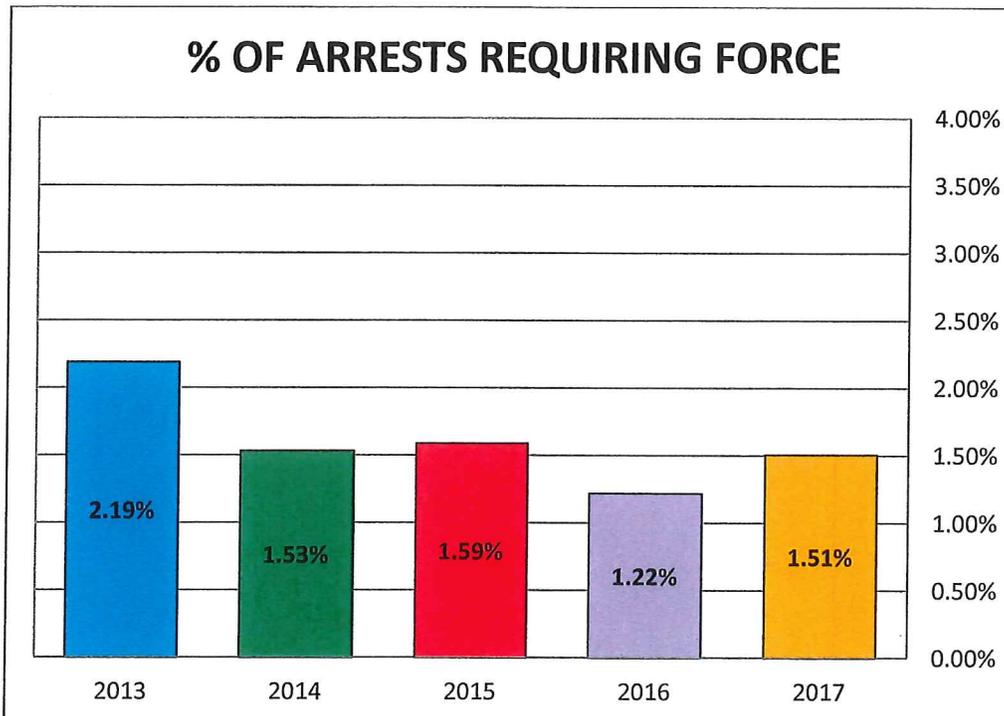
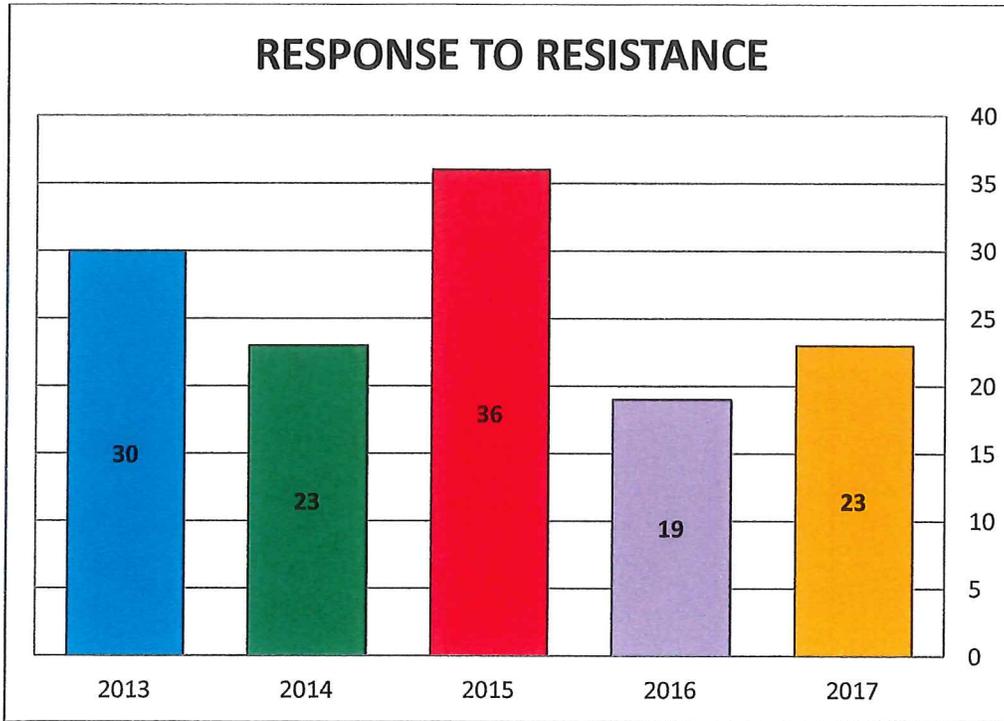


SERIOUS CRIME ACTIVITY FIVE YEAR COMPARISON 2013 – 2017



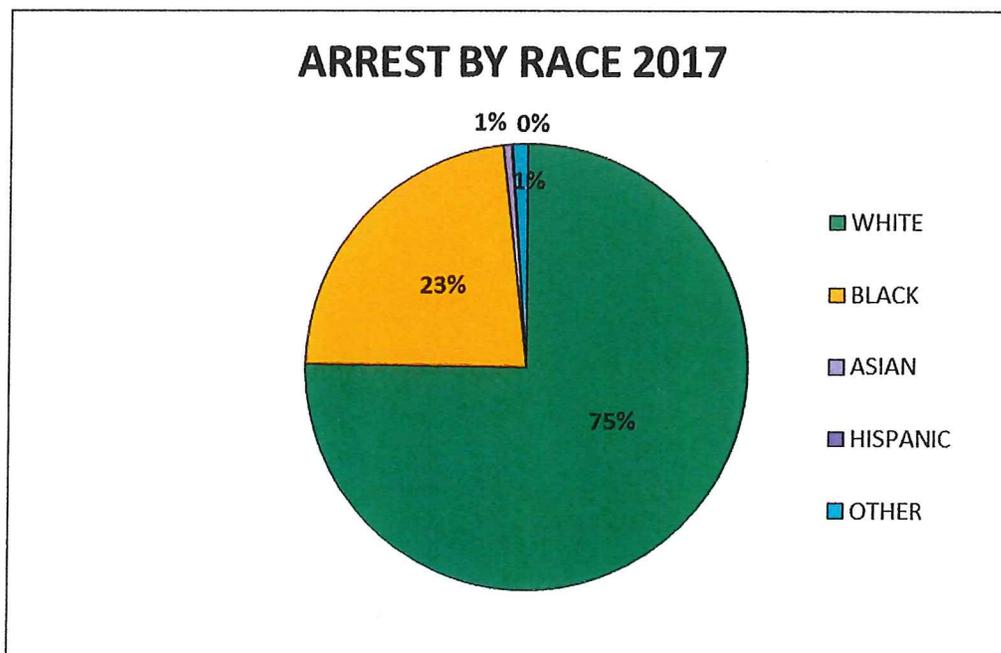
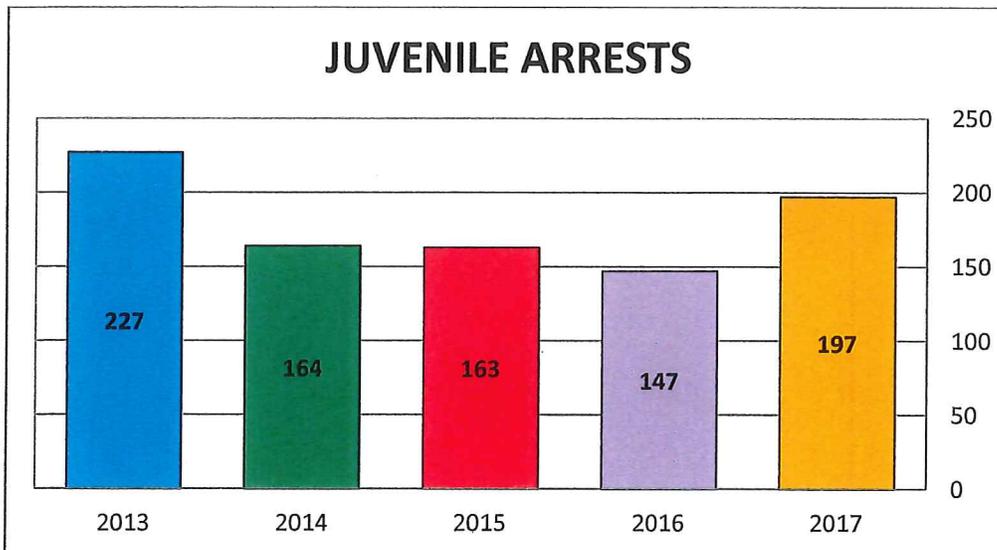
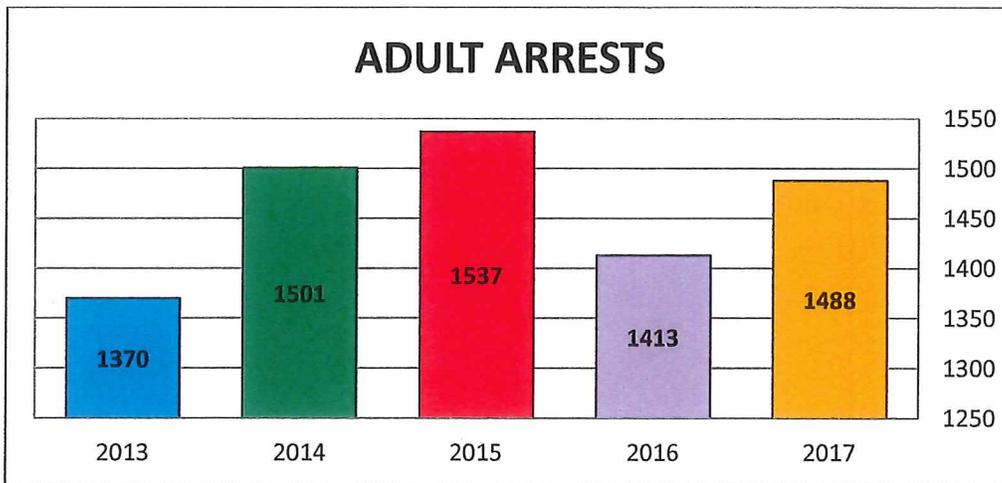
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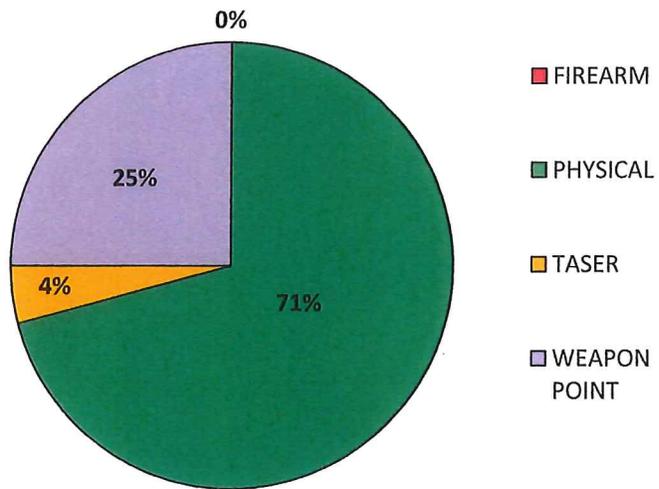
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ARRESTS BY RACE 2017

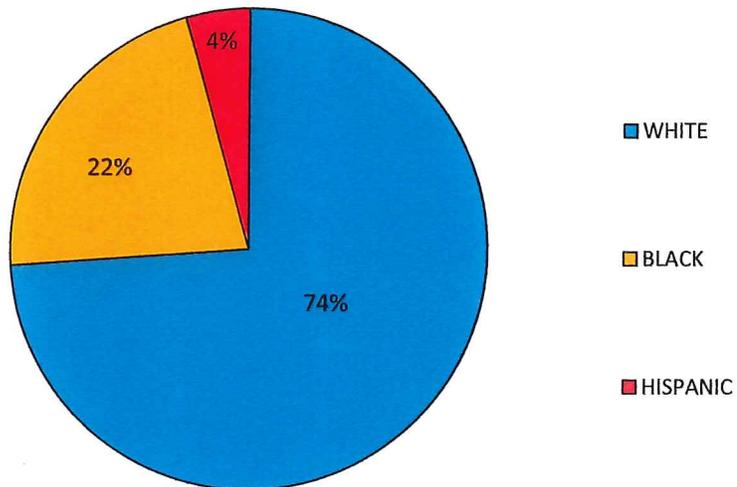


USE OF FORCE 2017

TYPE OF FORCE USED 2017



USE OF FORCE BY RACE 2017



Section V

Citizens on Preventive Patrol Summary

C.O.P.P.

Citizens on Preventive Patrol



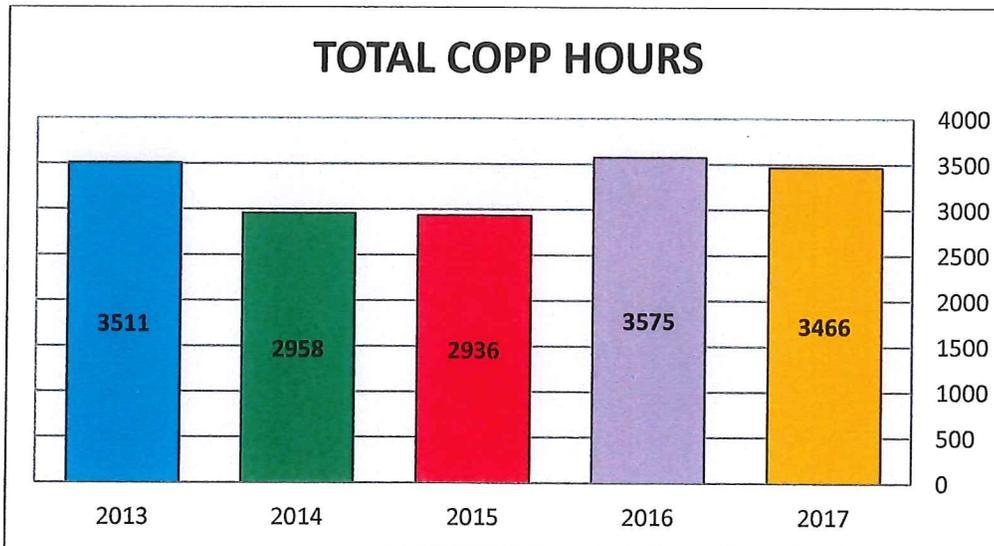
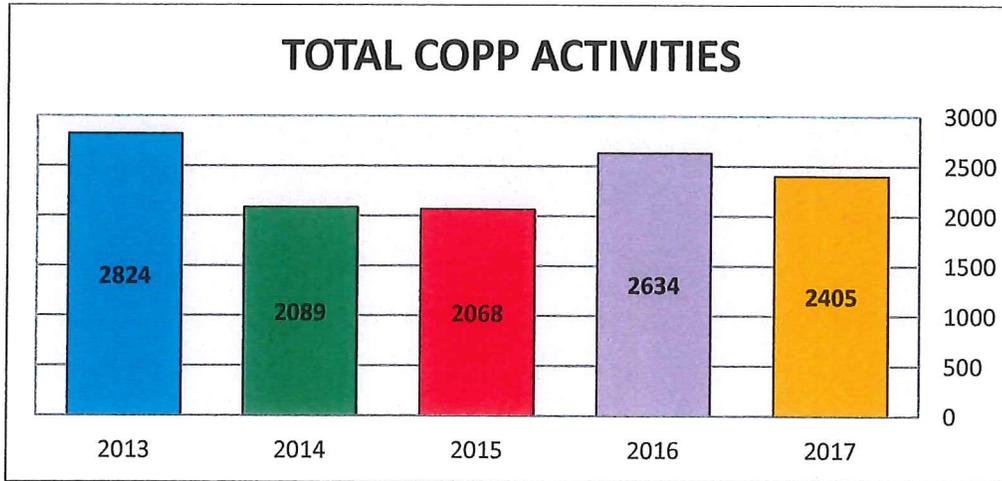
The Citizens on Preventive Patrol (C.O.P.P.) program is entering its thirty-first service year and this group of non-paid volunteers continues to save taxpayer dollars for the police department budget. C.O.P.P. volunteers perform non-enforcement duties such as patrolling Beavercreek roadways; providing assistance to disabled motorists; assisting police by directing traffic at crash scenes and civic events such as the Popcorn Festival; conducting vacation house checks; and securing parks throughout the city. Their invaluable service supports the mission of the police department to provide quality service to our residents, freeing up the police force to perform their regular patrol and law enforcement duties. This program is one of the longest running volunteer programs of its kind in the country.

In 2017, there were seventeen active C.O.P.P. members who worked over 3,400 duty hours in support of the Beavercreek Police Department and the citizens of Beavercreek. Their dedication to the community reflects the high standard of service excellence Beavercreek residents can depend on.

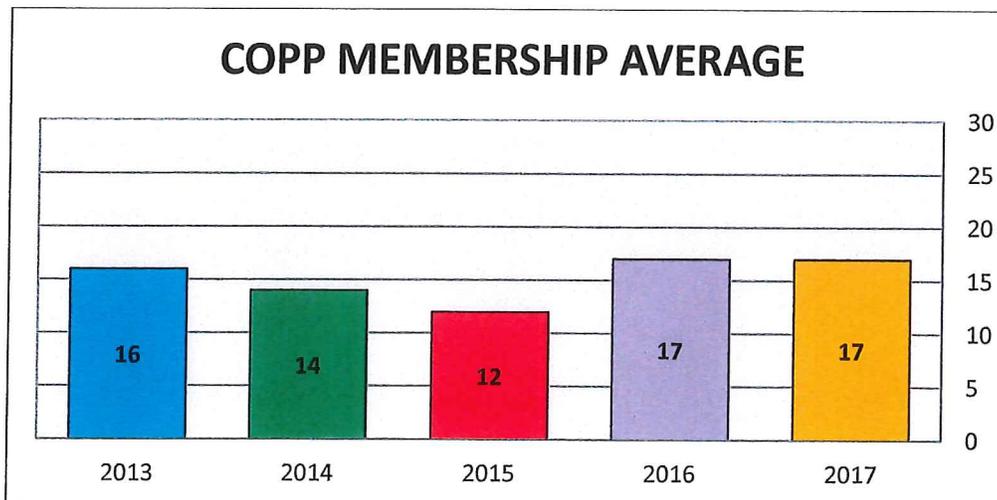
On August 31, 2017 the Beavercreek Police Department held an anniversary reception to celebrate the C.O.P.P.'s thirty years of service to the department and community. Current and former C.O.P.P. members attended the celebration and received proclamations from the City of Beavercreek, Beavercreek Township, Greene County, and the Ohio House of Representatives. Appreciation plaques were also presented by the Beavercreek Fraternal Order of Police and the Beavercreek Police Department. Police Chief Dennis Evers commented that, "One hundred and nineteen citizens have served as volunteers over the thirty years of the program's existence... I feel we never say thank you enough for the personal sacrifice of our volunteers who are not only assisting us, but also giving back to their community."



COPP VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT SUMMARY



Activities included vehicle crash assists, fire department assists, vacation house checks, securing community parks, citizen assists, special civic duties, and special details.



Section VI

In Partnership with Our Community

“The police are the public and the public are the police; the police being only members of the public who are paid to give full time attention to duties which are incumbent on every citizen in the interests of community welfare and existence.”

**Sir Robert Peel
“The Father of Modern Policing”**

2017 Community Engagement Summary

Committed to work in partnership with our community, as outlined in our Mission Statement and Fundamental Goals, the Beavercreek Police Department participated in numerous tours, presentations, activities, programs and public safety campaigns throughout the community in 2017. Officers conducted building tours for scout groups, child care centers, and civic groups; performed car seat safety checks; attended neighborhood watch meetings; participated in public safety days at several local businesses and places of worship; conducted "Eye on Speed" details in residential areas; presented safety and security tips to local learning centers, businesses and churches; and made frequent visits to all of the Beavercreek City Schools throughout the school year.

Some of the year's highlights include:

FEBRUARY

- Officer Kevin Kovacs presented "Kidz Home Alone" to a Girl Scout meeting at St. Andrew's Methodist Church.
- Officers Chris Beisner, Kris Brownlee, James Burton, Nick Coltrane, and Keith Duncan partnered with the Ohio Highway Patrol and surrounding agencies on Operation T.R.I.A.D.D. to target reckless, aggressive and dangerous driving on our roadways.
- Officers Rodney Curd and Kevin Kovacs partnered with Shaw Elementary Gifted Intervention Specialist and conducted a forensics and fingerprinting presentation for students.

MARCH

- Officer Chris Unroe attended Spicer Heights Neighborhood Watch Meeting.
- Officer Kris Brownlee and Captain Jeff Fiorita participated in Wilberforce University Spring Career Fair and Officers Nick Coltrane and Ken Harris attended Wright State University's Career Fair.
- Officers attended the Hillside Chapel Community Pancake Breakfast.
- Officer Dave Majercak and K-9 Hans partnered with SRO Mark Brown on "Wellness Day" at Beavercreek High School.

APRIL

- Officer Dave Majercak and K9 Hans conducted presentation to BHS government classes.
- Platoon 4 officers attended Mardella Neighborhood Watch meeting.
- Platoon 1 officers attended the "Summer Kick Off and Kite Fly" event at Dominick Lofino Park.
- Platoon 1 officers attended Girl Scout Award Ceremony at Aley Church.

MAY

- Platoon 1 officers attended Beavercreek Christian Learning Center's "Vehicle Day" to display cruisers and interact with citizens.
- Platoon 1 assisted with Main Elementary School's Color 5K Run.
- Officer Kris Brownlee participated in ABC Pediatric Therapy Network's "Bike Riding Clinic."
- Platoon 2 officers partnered with Therapy Connections' "Friday Friends" program and attended meeting for teens and young adults with special needs.
- Annual Open House held May 6. Police department personnel answered questions, demonstrated equipment and provided food and refreshments to several hundred in attendance.

JUNE

- Platoon 2 officers attended Mardella Neighborhood Watch Group's community picnic.
- Platoon 1 officers attended and judged Beavercreek Baptist Church's Classic Car Show for the "Policeman's Choice Award."
- Platoon 1 officers partnered with Walmart at their "Safety Day" event.
- Officer Kevin Kovacs and WSU intern Marcus Lykins participated in show and tell event at Michael's House.
- Officer Kevin Kovacs presented "Better Baby Sitters" to adults and teenagers at C.I. Beaver Hall and partnered with City of Beavercreek Parks and Recreation Department at their "Summer Day Camp" at Rotary Park.
- Officer Ken Harris visited St. Andrew's Methodist Church during "Local Heroes" week of Vacation Bible School.
- Officer Dave Majercak participated in the Eager Beaver Football Club's community night at the Beavercreek Church of the Nazarene.
- Officers Kris Brownlee, Dave Majercak and Barry Wisecup partnered with the Mall at Fairfield Commons at "Child Safety Days."

JULY

- Officers attended "Red, White and Brew" at the Mall at Fairfield Commons in support of the Fisher-Nightingale House, benefitting military families.
- Officer Jennifer Stephens attended community grand opening of Soin Family Practice Center.

- Platoon 1 officers partnered with Beaver Creek Fire Department at Fresh Thyme's "Touch a Truck" fundraising event for cancer awareness.
- Platoon 1 officers attended Grace Covenant Church's "Neighborhood Appreciation" event.

AUGUST

- Officer Keith Duncan partnered with J C Penney on their "Back to School Safety Bash."
- Detective Dave Holley and Officer Dave Majercak gave presentations to Beaver Creek Rotary on the drone and K9 programs.
- Sergeant Mike Hummel participated in the special "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" campaign Kick Off event with OSP, Greene County Sheriff's Office, Fairborn PD and Xenia PD at the grand opening of the new AAA Beaver Creek service center.
- Beaver Creek Police Department participated with the Beaver Creek Fire Department in the fourth annual "Battle of the Badges" Blood Drive. While the Blood Drive exceeded its goals, BPD unfortunately lost out to BFD this year.

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

- Sergeant Shawn Sumner conducted a presentation at the "Peacemaker's Meeting" at Peace Lutheran Church, providing information and answering questions on scams targeting the elderly.
- Sergeant Shawn Sumner conducted a safety meeting with the staff of Retina Physicians and Surgeons and presented the "Run, Hide, Fight" model of active shooter incident training.
- Officer Kevin Kovacs attended Soin Hospital's "Public Safety Fair Day."
- Officers Kevin Kovacs and Brian Cline, along with two COPPs, attended the City of Beaver Creek's annual "Try a Truck" event with several BPD vehicles on display.

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

- Officer Jennifer Stephens attended "Community Treat & Greet" at Mallard Landing apartment complex.
- Sergeant David Darkow and Captain Jeff Fiorita presented safety procedures to members of Grace Christian Center.
- District 1 officers conducted a presentation on scams to the "Mall Walkers" group at the Mall at Fairfield Commons.
- Officers volunteered to make stuffed animals at the annual Dayton Children's Hospital "Build a Bear" event held inside the Mall at Fairfield Commons.

2017 D.A.R.E. Officer, Youth and Crime Prevention Community Activities

Officer Kevin Kovacs taught D.A.R.E. program classes to 600 fifth-grade students at six Beavercreek public elementary schools, as well as 45 sixth-grade students at St. Luke school, who all were certified as D.A.R.E. graduates in the “Keeping it Real” curriculum. The curriculum, designed to help fifth and sixth grade students learn how to make safe and responsible choices, also covers resistance strategies, responding to pressure, signs of stress, communication styles and effective listening, reporting bullying and the “Help” network. Throughout 2017 Officer Kovacs also:

- Conducted or arranged tours of the police department for various scouting groups, day care and childhood learning centers, and other visitors;
- Co-hosted the annual summer D.A.R.E. Camp held at Camp Birch in Yellow Springs, with 33 D.A.R.E. graduates from Beavercreek;
- Participated in the “Police and Youth Together” camp hosted by the National Conference for Community and Justice of Greater Dayton. The camp brings police officers together with urban and suburban youth to promote trust and cooperation;
- Participated in “Build-A-Bear” charity event to provide stuffed animals for patients at Children’s Hospital over the Christmas holidays. This year 261 stuffed animals were delivered to Children’s Hospital; and
- Helped organize the Miami Valley Crime Prevention Association’s “Problem Oriented Policing Convention” hosted by BPD at the Vineyard Church. Over 200 citizens attended classes on “Drones in Police Work” and “Run, Hide, Fight” personal safety.

Officer Kovacs has also developed presentations to help increase crime awareness and reduce crime risk for Beavercreek citizens, their families and community businesses. These include: Identify Theft; Teen & Youth Internet Safety; Personal Safety; Neighborhood Watch; Workplace Violence; Making Our Home Secure; and Financial Institutions and Business Robbery.



2017 School Resource Officer Activities

During the 2017 school year, along with their primary goal of fostering educational programs and activities to increase students' knowledge of and respect for the law and the function of law enforcement agencies, BHS School Resource Officer (SRO) Mark Brown and Middle School Resource Officer (SRO) Matt Hickey were involved in numerous activities with our students, educators and City of Beavercreek citizens, including:

- Finalized ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) training throughout the school district – a two part educational and practical scenario-based program – and successfully trained all students/staff in the Beavercreek City Schools District;
- Conducted at least (3) ALICE drills at each of the schools, with high school and middle school students using the ALICE concept to deal with a mock “intruder”;
- Conducted table-top exercises with all staff members at each school;
- Obtained certification as R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense) instructors and will begin implementing first class at BHS in February 2018;
- Held ALICE training for local businesses and churches;
- Completed the “Incident Action Plan” book for the City Schools and trained all members of BPD and Greene County Sheriff’s Office;
- Assisted the District in installing 25 Anchorman Door safety locks on special needs/large classrooms (i.e. band and choir rooms) at BHS, FHS, AMS and CMS. (This program will continue to expand and eventually locks will be installed in all classrooms in the District);
- SRO Brown conducted tours of BPD building during Law Enforcement Week to expose the students to various aspects of being a police officer;
- SRO Hickey expanded his drug/opioid awareness program to include sixth, seventh and eighth grade “Health and Fitness for Life” classes;
- SRO Brown participated in the BHS Homecoming and Prom Parades, emceed the Homecoming parade/court announcement, and facilitated a “Questions and Answers” session with the community;
- SRO Hickey, along with C.O.P.P.s, participated in a mock OVI/fatal crash exercise at the Beavercreek High School; and
- Both attended and worked at numerous sporting events supporting Beavercreek teams.

School Resource Officers



SRO MARK BROWN



SRO MATT HICKEY

Citizen Surveys 2017

The Beavercreek Police Department conducts documented random surveys of citizen opinions on a monthly basis. The survey instrument is mailed to 5% of all citizens making a call for service, and 5% of all citizens who receive enforcement action (i.e. citation, summons, arrest, etc.). Results from the survey instrument reflect:

- Overall agency performance;
- Overall competence of agency employees;
- Citizen's perception of Officer's attitudes and behavior;
- Concerns over safety and security within the agency's service area
- Citizen recommendations and suggestions for improvement.

Completed surveys are forwarded to the Office of the Chief of Police and used to improve services, procedures and efficiency, and to initiate new training programs. Approximately 10% of those surveys sent out were returned, with an overall satisfaction rate of 90% for service-related calls and 100% for enforcement-related calls.

COMMENTS: *(Taken verbatim from returned surveys)*

"Officer was great. Thanks."

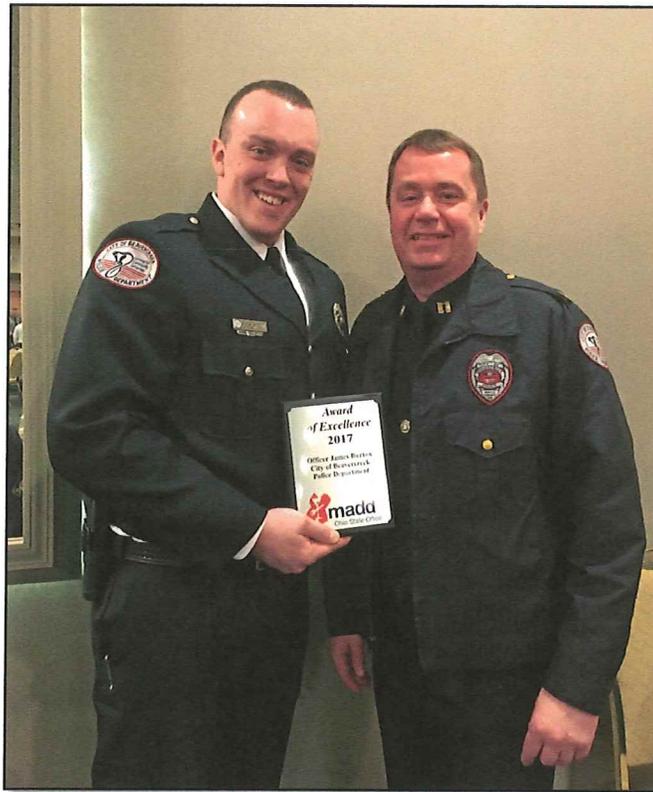
"Stolen compressor from garage. Officer professional and courteous."

"Though a witness placed the call the response was very quick."

"Kudos! To all, thanks again."

"I visited Beavercreek Police Department to provide them information previously reported to the FBI relative to fraudulent telephone attempt to steal \$4500 from me. They succeeded in getting \$500 before I realized their fraudulent intentions and reported them to the FBI. When they discovered what I had done, they locked me out of my own computer. After my son-in-law worked on my computer for 2 days, he was able to get it working and restored most of the lost data. Don't trust anyone to work on your computer unless you know them personally."

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Officer James Burton receives MADD Award of Excellence
(with Captain Jeff Fiorita, Operations Commander)

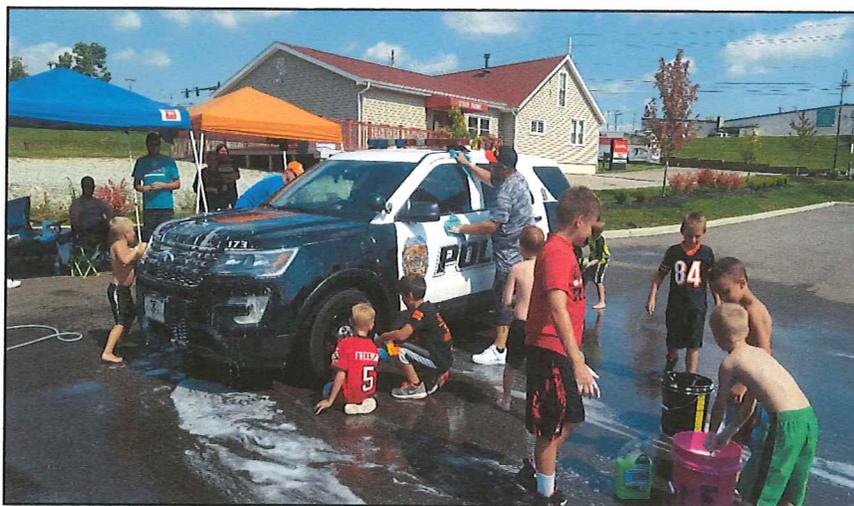


SROs Matt Hickey (middle) and Mark Brown (right) receive Greene Optimist Award
(with Captain Jeff Fiorita, Operations Commander)

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Officer Kris Brownlee at Bike Rodeo

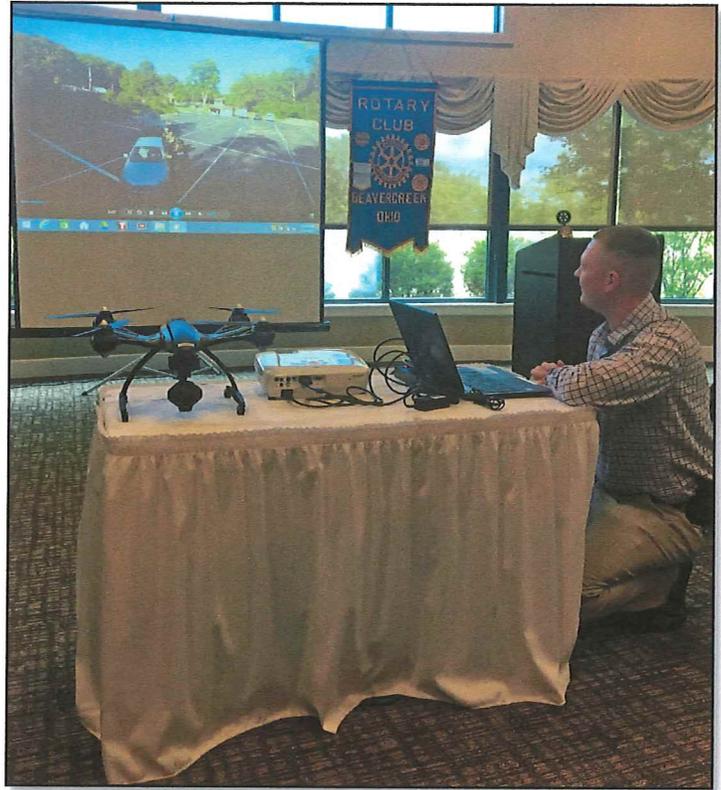


Eager Beaver Car Wash

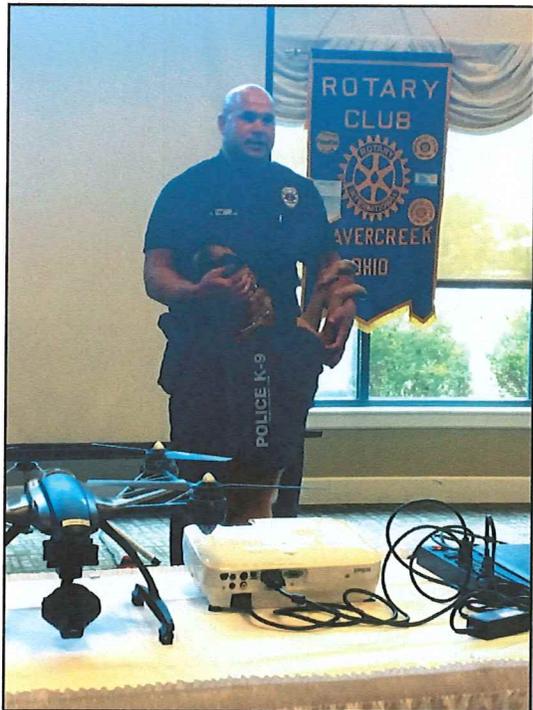


Mall at Fairfield Commons Safety Day

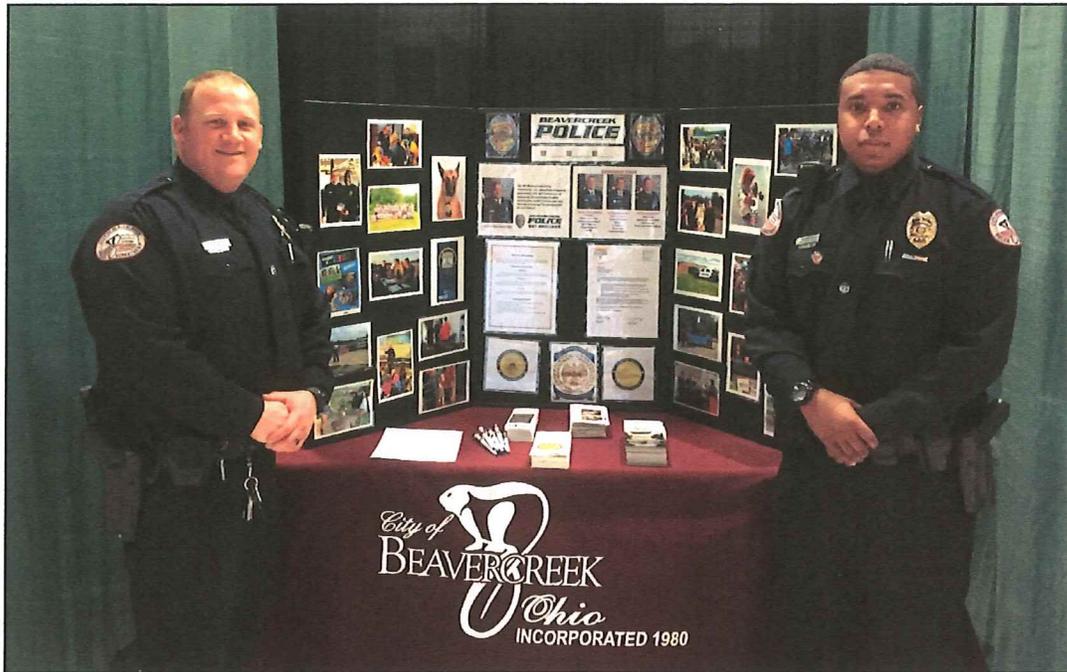
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Detective David Holley (top) and K-9 Officer David Majercak and K-9 Hans (bottom) present drone and K-9 demos at Beaver Creek Rotary Meeting



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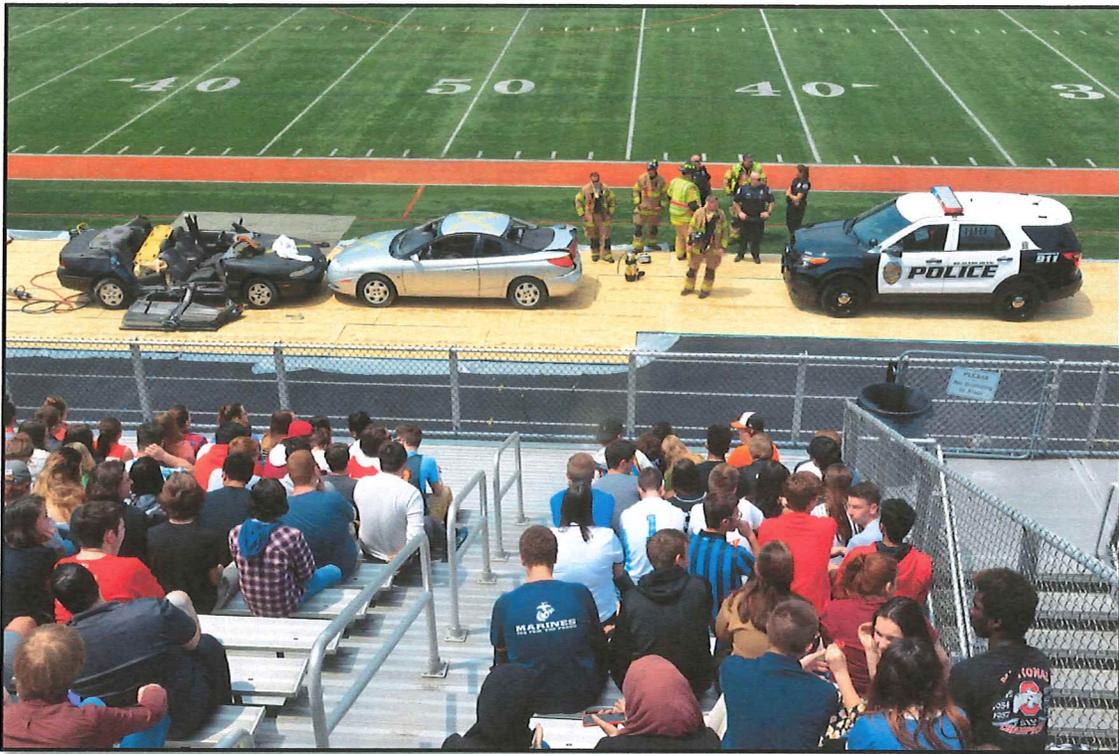


Officers Nick Coltrane (left) and Kenneth Harris (right) attend WSU Career Fair



K-9 Officer David Majercak and K-9 Hans presentation at University of Dayton

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Mock OVI crash at Beaver Creek High School with SRO Matt Hickey and DARE Officer Kevin Kovacs and Officer Jennifer Stephens



"Battle of the Badges" Annual Blood Drive

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Jason Dennis presents DARE jeep to Chief Dennis Evers



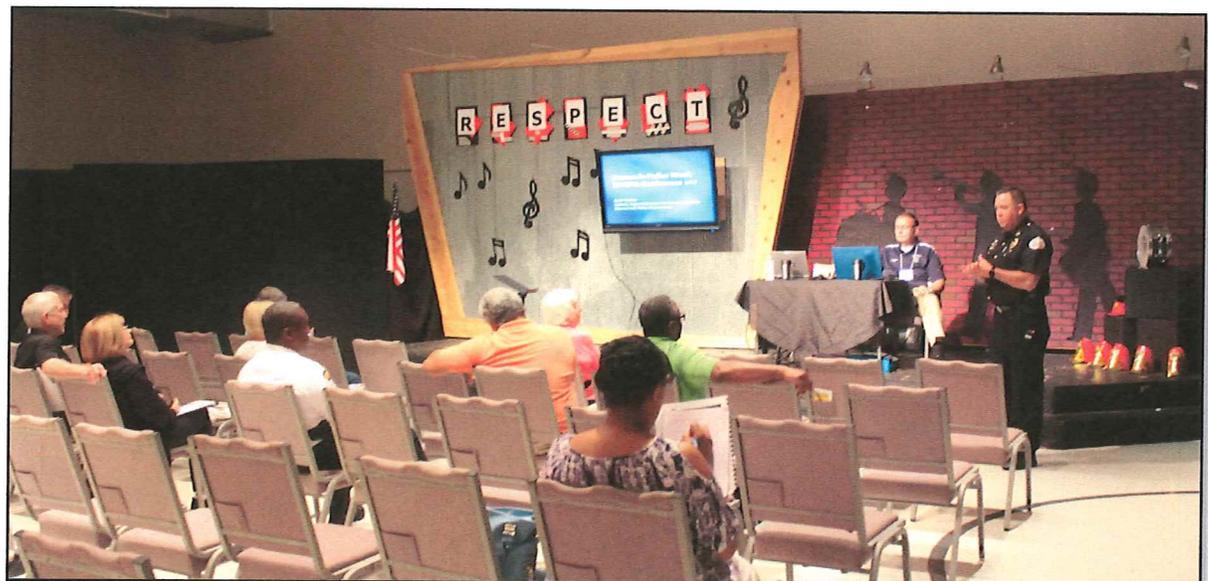
2017 City of Beaver Creek Try-a-Truck event

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Sergeant Michael Hummel (right) attends “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” annual campaign kick-off at new AAA facility

Captain Jeff Fiorita and Sergeant Michael Hummel (pictured at right) at Operation TRIAD Kickoff



C.O.P.P. Don Adams and Captain Scott Molnar present BPD drone program at Miami Valley Crime Prevention Council’s “Problem Oriented Policing Convention” at Vineyard Church

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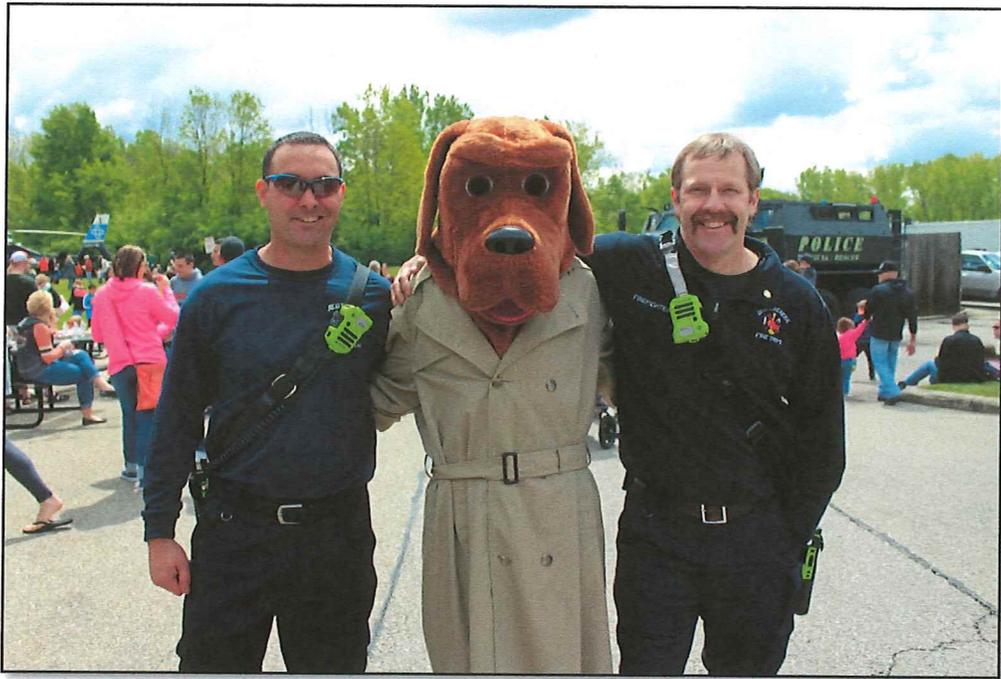
Sergeant Shawn Sumner (left), Captain Chad Lindsey (center) and Captain Scott Molnar (right) meet police supporter “Donut Boy” in Dayton



DARE Officer Kevin Kovacs (far left) with 2017 DARE campers

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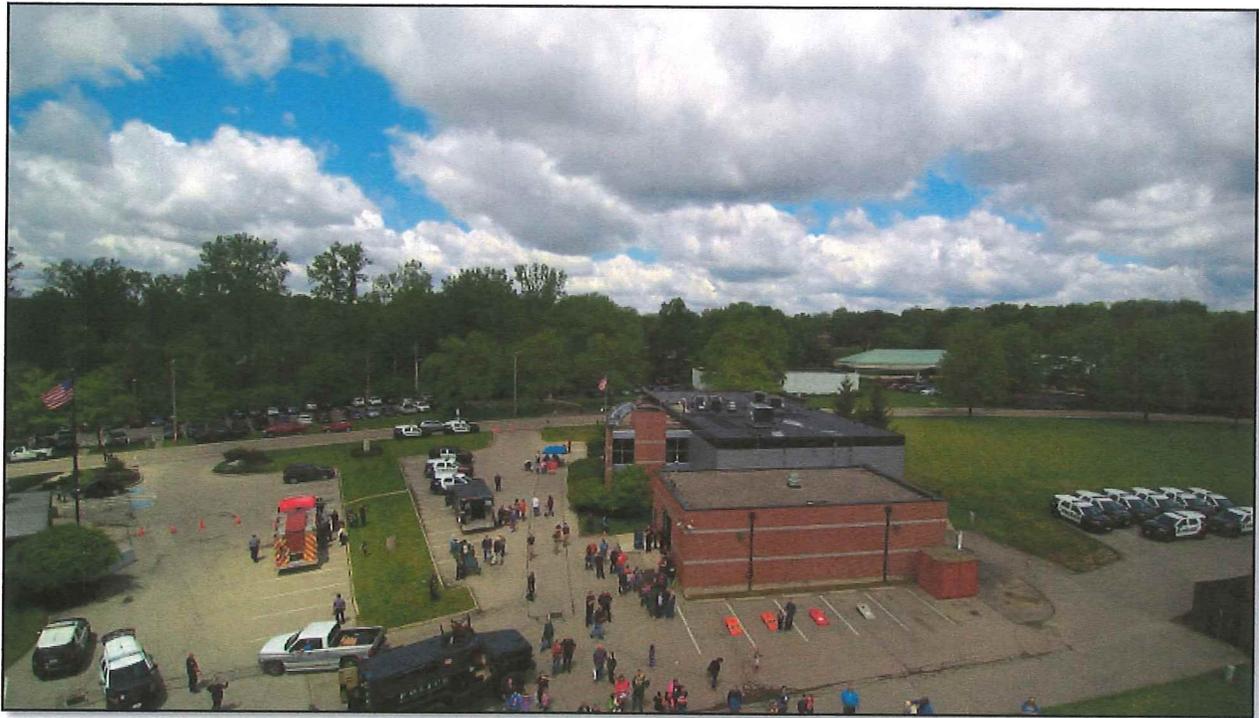
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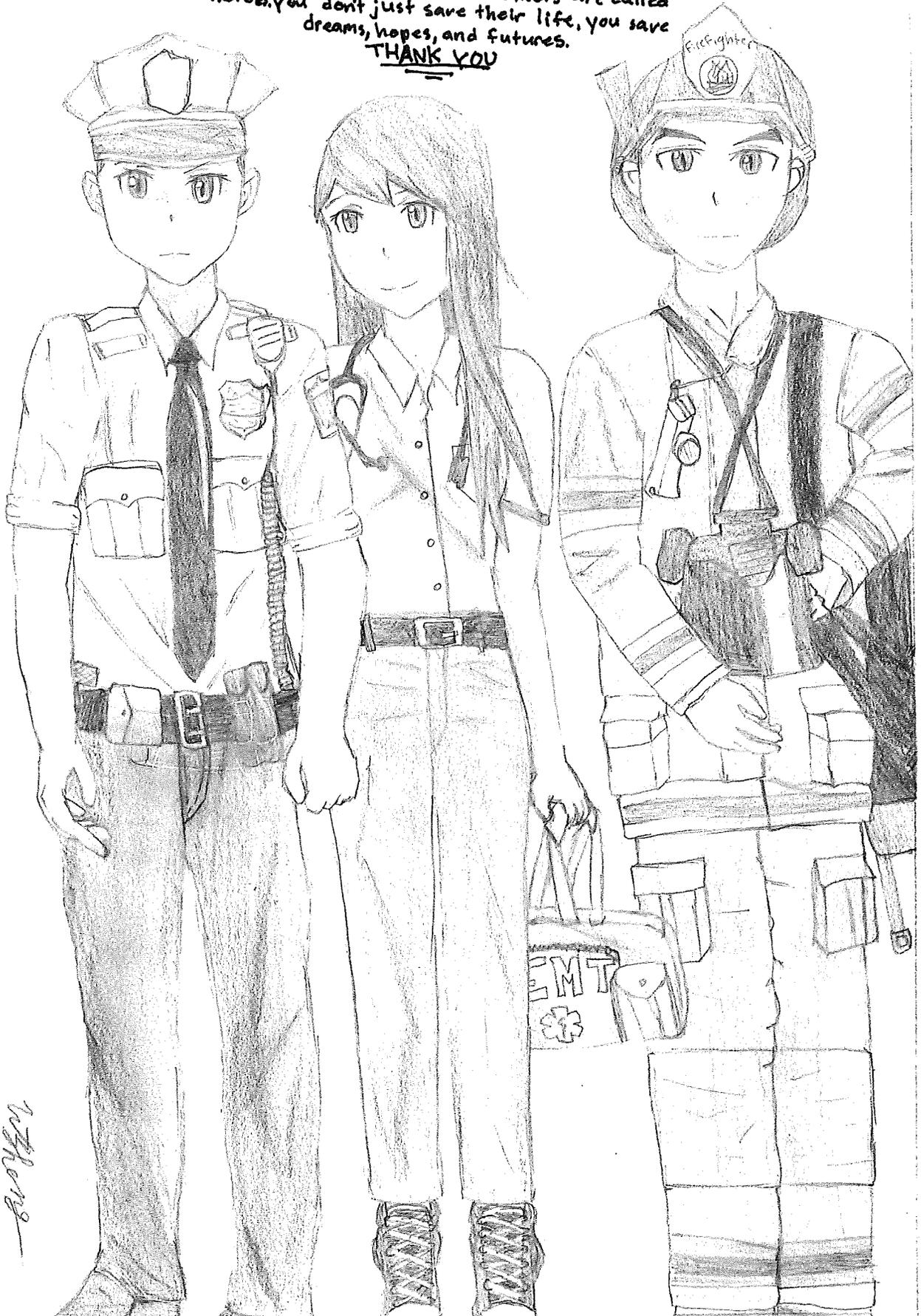


Drone aerial view of BPD Open House



DRAWING COURTESY OF LOCAL YOUTH - WINNIE ZHENG

Police officers and firefighters that put their lives in danger to save others are called heroes. You don't just save their life, you save dreams, hopes, and futures.
THANK YOU



Section VII

2017 Goals and Objectives

BEAVERCREEK POLICE DEPARTMENT 2017 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

DEPARTMENT GOALS

Prevention of Crime Deterrence of Crime Apprehension of Offenders
Recovery and Return of Property Utilization of Resources

As a means of fulfilling these goals, the City of Beavercreek Police Department has set performance objectives for each Division in 2017 to include:

ADMINISTRATION

A-001 Continue supervisory/leadership training for command/supervisory personnel.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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A-002 Explore implementation of a Chief's Citizen Advisory Committee.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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A-003 Continue to identify pros/cons regarding implementation of body worn cameras.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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INVESTIGATIONS

I-001 Continue college intern program with one (minimum) intern per semester.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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I-002 Expand specialized training opportunities for detectives with < 2yrs experience.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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I-003 Explore utilization of new technology in case investigations.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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SUPPORT SERVICES

S-001 Review annual training calendar against CPT requirements of 20 hrs. per officer for maintaining Peace Officer certifications.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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S-002 Complete the Enterprise software upgrade for the CAD.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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S-003 Conduct quarterly quality control evaluation for all police, fire and EMS calls for service into the Communications Center.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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S-004 Coordinate the holding of Police Department Open House.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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S-005 Facilitate change from MVRCL to BCI&I for lab processing of evidence.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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OPERATIONS

O-001 Conduct at least one liquor enforcement and tobacco enforcement operation at known complaint locations of liquor and tobacco sales establishments.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-002 Conduct at least one OVI sobriety checkpoint in the city in conjunction with Ohio State Highway Patrol.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-003 Conduct at least one OVI saturation enforcement operation in the city.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-004 Recruit and train new recruits to supplement COPP program.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-005 Conduct at least one K-9 drug/contraband search at the High School and Junior High School during the 2017-2018 school year.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-006 Conduct at least one Citizen's Police Academy.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-007 Facilitate the usage of new radar speed signs throughout city for speed reduction efforts.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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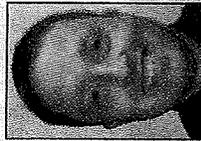
Section VIII

Media

Beavercreek swears in new police officer

By Danielle Coots
For the News-Current

BEAVERCREEK — With the departure of Officer Eric Grile, due to his acceptance of Deputy Chief of Police position in Hilliard in October, a new officer Joel Schuler has been hired to fill the vacancy in the Beavercreek Police Department.



Schuler

Officer Schuler was introduced to

Beavercreek City Council on Jan. 2 by Chief Dennis Evers. Following his introduction, Mayor Bob Stone officially swore in Officer Schuler before council, family, friends and colleagues.

Prior to joining the Beavercreek Police Department, he was employed as a deputy sheriff for the Montgomery County Sheriff's office since May 2011. Previously he was employed part-time as a Champaign County Deputy Sheriff for a year. He has experience as a court security deputy, field training officer

and is certified in advanced roadside impaired enforcement, police mountain bike patrol and drug interdiction.

Officer Schuler graduated from Wright State University with a bachelor of arts degree in criminal justice and received his basic peace officer certification from Sinclair Criminal Justice Training Academy in November 2009.

Schuler will first be assigned to a field training officer to learn Beavercreek policies and procedures. Upon successful completion of the field training

shadow phase, which usually encompasses 12 weeks of training, he will be assigned to solo patrol status under the supervision of a platoon sergeant.

The Beavercreek Police Department officials said they look forward to utilizing the many strengths and talents Officer Schuler brings to the community. With his appointment, the police department staffing level returns to 48 sworn officers.

Danielle Coots is a freelance writer for Greene County News.

Police departments team up to utilize UAS tech

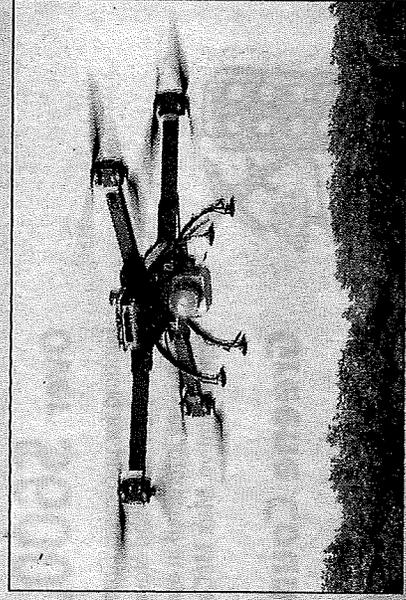
FAIRBORN & BEAVERCREEK — The Beavercreek and Fairborn Police Departments have partnered to utilize Unmanned Aerial System technology. The departments began looking at UAS technology in fall 2016 and delved into how it could benefit their respective municipalities. The departments then collaborated to research the technology and develop UAS programs. Once the platform was identified, two officers from each agency attended UAS training at Sinclair Community College.

At the conclusion of the training, these officers were able to obtain their Remote Pilot Licenses from the FAA and began training together. This now occurs once a month on the operation and

maintenance of these systems.

The purpose behind the program is to provide real time information for responding officers. It is able to aid in locating missing or fleeing individuals. The UAS platforms may additionally aid in traffic crash investigations, tactical deployments and large event surveillance for safety. Both departments are currently working to add nighttime capabilities to the program.

"This is just another example of a technology collaboration between two law enforcement agencies working for the good of the citizens they serve while also being good stewards of public tax dollars," The Fairborn Police Department said in a press release.



File photo



Photo courtesy WDTN

Two people died as a result of this accident Feb. 18.

Second person dies after accident

Greene County News

BEAVERCREEK — A second person died from the fiery crash that had Interstate 675 north closed near Col. Glenn Highway on Feb. 18.

WDTN is reporting that Toree Wooten Jr., 21, of Fairborn, died from injuries suffered in the crash. The driver, who has not been identified, was ejected and pronounced dead at the scene, according to WDTN.

Wooten was pulled from the vehicle by witnesses and taken to Kettering Medical Center, WDTN said.

Greene County News report compiled by Scott Halasz with information from our partners at WDTN.

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UPDATE: Crash details released

Greene County News

BEAVERCREEK — Beaver creek police Feb. 21 released the name of the driver in the double fatal accident that clogged Interstate 675 Feb. 18.

Muhammad Arsalan Khan, 30, of Beaver creek, was ejected from his vehicle and pronounced dead at the scene, according to a release from the department. Police said Khan was traveling north on the highway at a high rate of speed when he lost control and went off the left side of the road. The vehicle struck the cable barrier in the median and went more than 700 feet before coming to a stop.

A male passenger, Torre Wooten Jr., 21,

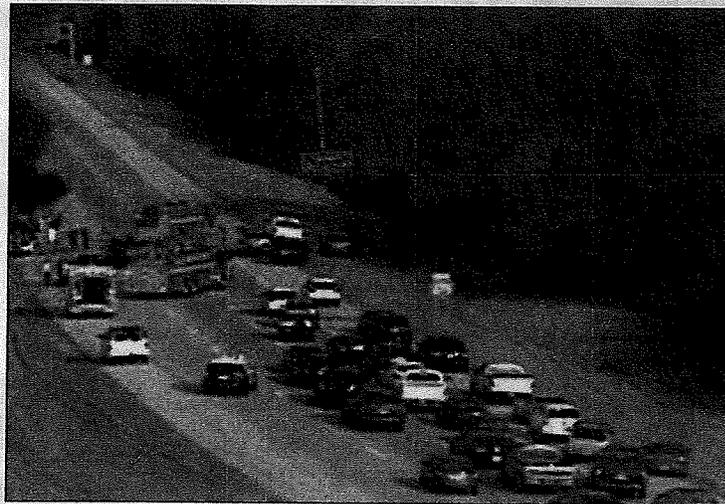


Photo courtesy WDTN.

Two people died as a result of this Feb. 18 accident on I-675 in Beaver creek.

of Fairborn, was transported to Soin Medical Center and later transferred to Kettering Medical Center where he died

Feb. 19.

The crash remains under investigation. Police are asking any witnesses to contact officers

Matt Hickey or Tim Lamert at 937-426-1225.

Greene County News report compiled by Scott Halasz.

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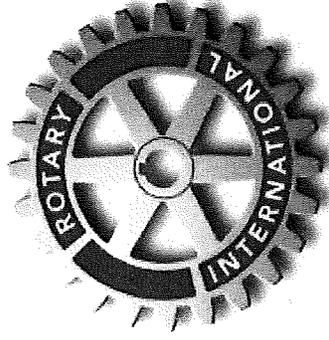
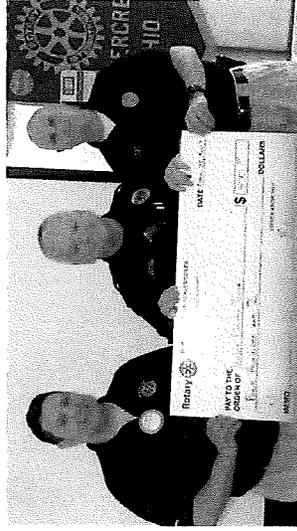
Beavercreek Rotary gift to Beavercreek Police's Unity Tour - Beavercreek Chamber of Commerce ,OH

Beavercreek Rotary gift to Beavercreek Police's Unity Tour

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Beavercreek Rotary President Shannon Graham, left, presents a \$400 check to Beavercreek Police for its Unity Tour from the Beavercreek Rotary.

The Police Unity Tour is a bicycle ride by Police Officers and survivors of fallen Officers to raise money for the National Peace Officer Memorial and to bring recognition to and Honor Officers killed in the line of duty. The Tour covers 250 miles over 3 days ending in Washington DC at the Memorial.

Beaver Creek celebrates police week

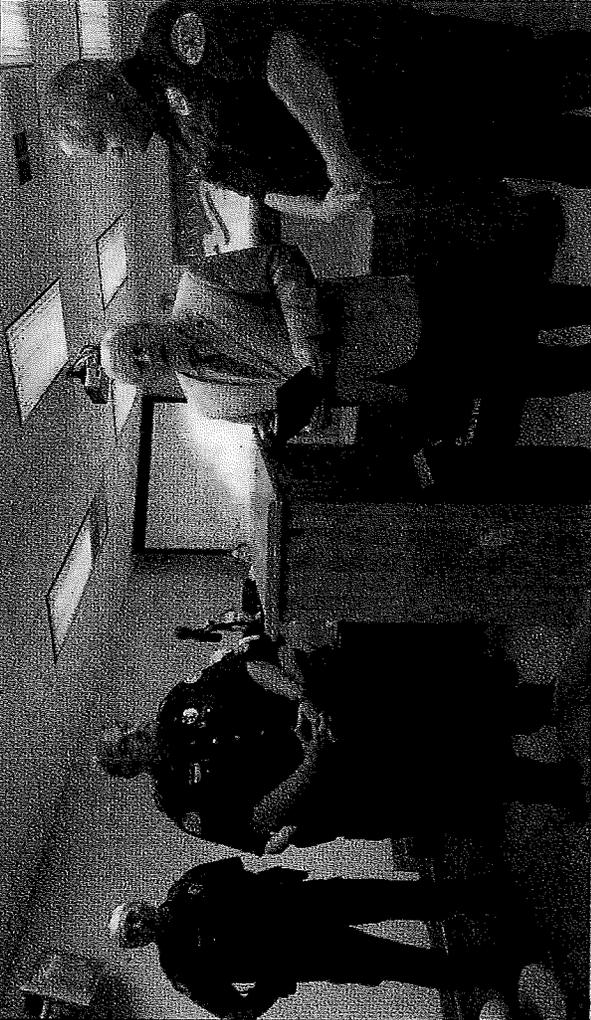
By Danielle Coots
For the News-Current

BEAVERCREEK —

The week of May 14 marked the beginning of National Police Week. To celebrate the week, Mayor Bob Stone presented Chief Dennis Evers and the whole police department with a proclamation making National Police Week an annual celebration in the community.

"What we see before you today is an example of a great police force that we have in our community," Mayor Stone said. "We couldn't be more proud of them."

The purpose of National Police Week is to remember the police officers that have been killed in the line of duty throughout the year and/or the ones that have been wounded. This is a week dedicated to police officers to show respect for their sacrifices and dedication to the communities in which they serve by putting the needs and safety of others before their own. The duties of the Beaver Creek Police officers is to safeguard the rights and freedoms of each and every person



Mayor Bob Stone presented Chief Dennis Evers and the whole police department with a proclamation making National Police Week an annual celebration in the community. Photos by Danielle Coots | News-Current

raise awareness for the officers killed in the line of duty and to honor the survivors.

"At the end of the ride, there will be a candlelight vigil attended by approximately 20,000-30,000 police officers," Beaver Creek Police Officer Chris Williams said. "Also, President Trump will be giving a presentation for the officers, survivors and families."

Officer Williams also said that it's a great opportunity for the Beaver Creek Police Department to show their respect and also celebrate law enforcement with other agencies nationwide. "Thank you for the support of the community," Chief Evers said. "We couldn't do it without you."

Danielle Coots is a freelance writer for Greene County News.



As part of the celebration and respect for week Chief Evers is sending three officers to Washington DC to participate in the Police Unity Tour. The officers that will be participating are Officer Williams, Officer Brown and Detective Bondy.

Police seek grant for DARE

By Danielle Coots
For the News-Current

BEAVERCREEK — Beaver Creek Police Chief Denis Evers requested permission from the Beaver Creek City Council to request grant money to fund the DARE (Drug Assistance Resistance Education) program for the next school year.

The amount requested is approximately \$27,348.23.

The police department, after receiving the green light from city council, will be applying for the Ohio Attorney General's Drug Use Prevention Grant Program to help fund the DARE program in the Beaver Creek City Schools for the school year 2017-18.

DARE was started in Los Angeles in 1983 as a part of the War Against Drugs campaign. Since then, the program has become a nationwide assistance program to not only educate school aged children in drug issues and topics, but also providing education regarding education regarding gangs, violent behavior, smoking, alcohol consumption, peer pressure and more current topics such as bullying and responsible social media practices.

With the DARE program, students are accustomed to seeing police officers in the school and develop a rapport with them, making it easier for them to confide in them if needed. It also lessens fear against the police.

The Beaver Creek DARE program provides education to over 600 students per year. The grant money requested will cover approximately 50

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percent of the salary for the nine months period for the officer assigned

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to the program. For more information contact the police department's non-emergency line.

Danielle Coots is a freelance writer for Greene County News.

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BEAVERCREEK Police officer honored by Knights of Columbus

Beaver Creek Police Department Officer Joel Diaz received the 2017 Knights of Columbus Council 7981 Blue Coat Award.

He was hired in 2012 and has served the agency as a patrol officer with credentials including Crisis Intervention Team member, Technical Crash Investigator and Bike Patrol.

For the past three years, he has volunteered for the WATCH D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) program at his children's elementary school. As a volunteer, he visits different classes throughout the day, working side by side with the children on their academics.

He is also active in the community. Last year, he assisted the Beaver Creek Parks Department with new construction at Shoup Park on Meadow Bridge Drive and volunteered to serve meals at the Church of the Nazarene on Thanksgiving Day.

He was honored by the Knights of Columbus at their annual banquet at Franco's Ristorante on May 20.

DIANA BLOWERS, CONTRIBUTING

BEAVERCREEK Optimist Club honors 2 city police officers

Beaver Creek Police Department School Resource Officers Mark Brown and Matt Hickey received The Greene Optimist Club's Respect for Law Award.

The Optimist Club presents the annual award to officers who provide exceptional service and significant contributions to the betterment of the community.

Brown, assigned to Beaver Creek High School, teaches government classes as well as life lessons through health classes. He conducts ALICE (Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate) training for staff and students, reinforces the lessons of Law Enforcement Week with K-9 demos and conducts student field trips to the police department. Beyond his assigned duties, Brown is involved with developmentally disabled BHS students, helping with the BHS All Star Dance Team and assisting with fundraisers.

Hickey is assigned primarily to Ankeney and Coy Middle Schools, but is available across the district.

He teaches Drug Awareness to eighth grade Fitness for Life

classes and all middle school health classes.

Hickey has trained school staff on managing school bus crisis situations and conducts ALICE training for staff and students.

He assists Brown with K-9 demos at the schools and attends and works many Beaver Creek sporting events and school functions.

DIANA BLOWERS,
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

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Justice Deptartment clears Beavercreek cops

By Scott Halasz
shalasz@aimmediawest.com

BEAVERCREEK — The Beavercreek police officer who fatally shot a man inside Walmart in August 2014 will not be charged.

The US Department of Justice announced July 11 that it is closing the investigation into the death of John Crawford III after failing to find sufficient evidence to indict Sean Williams — the officer who shot Crawford — or Sgt. David Darcow, who was also on the scene.

"This investigation revealed that the evidence

is insufficient to prove, beyond a reasonable doubt, that Officer Williams violated federal civil rights laws," according to a statement from the DOJ. "In conducting the review, federal authorities were tasked with determining whether Officer Williams violated federal law by willfully using unreasonable force against Mr. Crawford. To establish willfulness, federal authorities would be required to show that the officer acted with the deliberate and specific intent to do



Williams

something the law forbids. Mistake, misperception, negligence, necessity, or poor judgment are not sufficient to establish a federal criminal civil rights violation."

Security footage shows Crawford taking a call and then walking around the store. He then takes a BB gun off the store shelf. In another shot, Crawford can be seen holding the pellet gun. Police say a customer assumed it was a real gun. He called 911 and officers responded. Williams and Dar-

row found Crawford and according to police reports, the officers confronted him, demanding he drop his weapon, seconds later Williams shot Crawford. Both officers say Crawford didn't obey their commands.

The case sparked a national outcry, with protesters saying the officers didn't give Crawford enough time to react. In a statement released July 12, the Beavercreek Police Department reamins behind its officers.

"The events of Aug. 5, 2014 were tragic and the Beavercreek Police Department wishes

the outcome of that evening had been different. The Beavercreek Police Department has maintained the officers committed no criminal violations and followed accepted law enforcement protocol in their response to the report of an active threat in the Walmart store. The Beavercreek Police Department has fully cooperated with all investigations of this event and will continue to maintain the highest organizational values and constantly seek to uphold the trust of all citizens."

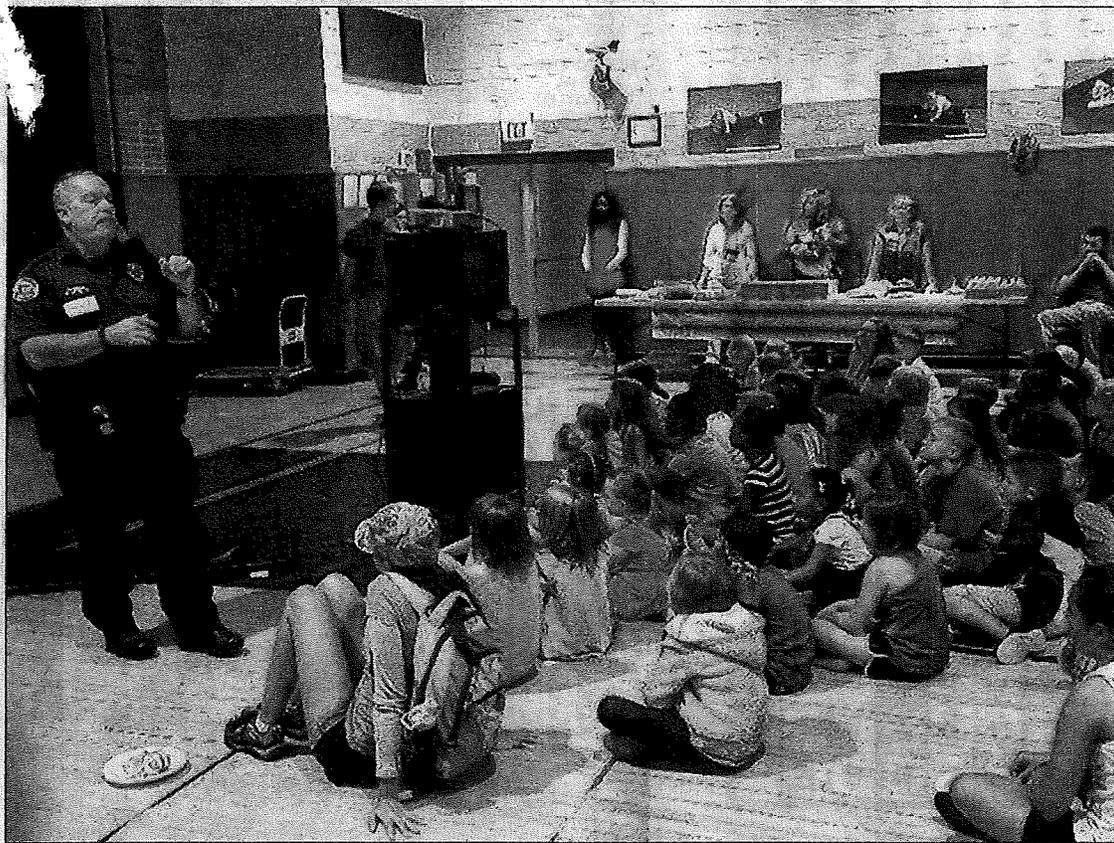
The DOJ said the Crawford family informed of its

decision.

"[We are] somewhat angry, somewhat disappointed," Crawford family attorney Michael Wright told WDTN. "It's been three years. The family believes as I do. That there is ample evidence to move forward with these officers."

A civil suit against the two officers, the Beavercreek police chief, the Beavercreek Police Department, the City of Beavercreek and Walmart is still pending.

Contact Scott Halasz at 937-502-4507. Our partners at WDTN contributed to this story.



During an anti-bullying program at the Prairies Child and Youth Complex Aug. 8, Officer Kevin Kovacs, D.A.R.E./crime prevention officer with the City of Beavercreek Police Department, discusses with the children how they can play an integral role in stopping bullying. (U.S. Air Force photo/Laura McGowan)

School Liaison Office sponsors anti-bullying rally

By Laura McGowan
88th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

The Wright-Patterson AFB School Liaison Office sponsored an anti-bullying program at the Prairies Child and Youth Complex Aug. 8, and more than 100 children from the Prairies Youth Center, Kittyhawk School Age, and other base youth programs were in attendance.

Officer Kevin Kovacs, D.A.R.E./crime prevention officer with the City of Beavercreek Police Department, present-

ed a short film clip about different bullying scenarios. The film showed how most people who were witnessing a bullying situation got up and walked away instead of intervening or going to get help.

Kovacs then gave the kids different scenarios and how they could get an adult to help with a situation.

"What if no one stopped to help you while you were getting bullied?" he asked. "If you ignore it when you see bullying, then you have chosen the side

of the bully, and bullying starts and ends with us."

"Who will stop bullying?" he asked. "All of us."

The children then were broken up into smaller groups where they had different activities and exercises. Besides the school liaison office putting this event together, there were volunteers from Airman and Family Readiness Center, Youth Programs, Family Advocacy, Exceptional Family Member Programs and Military Family Life consultants.

WPAFB Skywrighter 8-18-17

Officials battle for blood



Submitted photo
Beavercreek police officers and firefighters will compete in the fourth annual Battle of the Badges blood drive.

News-Current Report

BEAVERCREEK — A showdown is brewing between Beavercreek cops and firefighters in the fourth annual Battle of the Badges Blood Drive 3-7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 28 in Peace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 3530 Dayton-Xenia Road.

The Beavercreek Police reversed the burn of

back-to-back losses to the Beavercreek Township Fire Department with a 61-57 upset win last year. The firefighters will be out to regain bragging rights.

Everyone who registers to donate will receive the Community Blood Center "Ride with Passion, Give with Heart" T-shirt, and will be automatically entered in the "Scouting for Donors Summer

Blood Drive" drawing to win an Indian Scout 60 motorcycle. You must be 18 by the Sept. 2 end of the campaign to win.

The Beavercreek Battle of the Badges Blood Drive was revived in 2014 with the help of Pat Cochran and her fellow Beavercreek Township Fire Department Auxiliary volunteers. They joined forces with of the established Peace

Lutheran Church blood drive, coordinated by Dan Jessup.

Community support for the Battle of the Badges has grown each year. Last year's tight competition resulted in the strongest showing with 126 total donors and 99 blood donations. The three-year total is now 341 registrations

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to donate, including 44 first-time donors and 274 blood donations.

The "Battle of Badges" theme continues with free "fire house chili" and "cop shop donuts" in the Donor Café.

"We're going to do chili again," said Pat. "Jan Schultz, assistant to the Beavercreek Township Fiscal Officer, was the winner of the chili cook-off last fall. She has agreed to stir up a batch of that chili for the Battle. It will not disappoint! We'll also have the little donuts again and the auxiliary will work in shifts during the blood drive." Learn more at www.GivingBlood.org.

Donors can help decide the title by casting a vote for their favorite public safety service. Donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment online at www.DonorTime.com or call 800-388-GIVE.

Story provided by Community Blood Center.

New police officers for Beavercreek Police

Danielle Coots
For the News-Current

BEAVERCREEK — The Beavercreek Police Department recently hired two new officers to join the team.

Beavercreek Police Chief Dennis Evers introduced new officers Kathleen Gee and Collin Peterson during the city council meeting after the swearing them in recently.

“Welcome to Beavercreek. We look forward to working with you,” Beavercreek Mayor Bob Stone said.

Officer Gee joins the force after being involved with the Carlisle Police Department since 2008. She is a 1997 graduate from Beavercreek High School. After high school, she attended Clark State University

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New Beavercreek officers Kathleen Gee and Collin Peterson were sworn in recently during a city council meeting.

Beavercreek Police Hires New Officer



Police Chief Dennis Evers introduced Meryl E. Westerheide as the newest member of the Beavercreek Police Department before she was officially sworn in by Beavercreek Mayor Bob Stone before family, friends and colleagues on November 6, 2017. Her appointment maintains full staffing of forty-nine sworn officers.

A 1999 Oakwood High School graduate, Meryl attended the University of Cincinnati, Sinclair Community College and the University of Dayton. She obtained her Ohio Peace Officer Certification from the Sinclair Community College Criminal Justice Training Academy in 2015. Meryl had been employed as a patrol officer with the University of Dayton Police Department since September 2015. She also has an extensive customer service background, having worked in the retail service industry over thirteen years.

Meryl has been described as highly professional, respectful of her peers and the public, and very proactive with her policing and approach to upholding the law. Confident and dedicated, she carries her responsibilities with enthusiasm, leadership and maturity. Meryl is highly committed to community policing and is eager to establish lasting relationships with the residents of Beavercreek. Her multiple years in customer service will be of great benefit to her as well as an asset to the department. Our agency looks forward to utilizing the many strengths and talents she brings to our community.

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where she received her an associates degree in applied science/criminal justice. She later went on to earn her police officer certification from the same university. She's been trained in crisis intervention, narcan procedures, and property evidence.

“I'm looking forward to getting started,” Collin Peterson said.

Officer Peterson graduated from Shawnee High School in 2004. He recently worked with the Springfield Police Department and prior to that the London Police Department. He attended Wright State University where he earned his bachelor's degree in criminal justice. He continued on to earn his peace officer certification at Clark's State in 2010. He now lives in Beavercreek Township.

“Both of them will be trained and get caught up with the city's policies and procedures before they begin solo patrols of Beavercreek,” Chief Evers said.

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Beavercreek Police Detective and Local Students Receive Miami Valley Crime Stoppers Awards

The Miami Valley Crime Stoppers Association recognized Beavercreek Police Detective Brad Piasecki with a *2017 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year* award at its annual recognition luncheon on December 5, 2017. Detective Piasecki joined the Beavercreek Police Department in 2001 and became a detective in 2012. As a trained forensic examiner, he conducts cell phone exams not only for the department, but also for other Miami Valley agencies and organizations. He joined the United States Secret Service Task Force in 2015. In August 2017, the Secret Service presented him with an award for completing 178 cell phone examinations during 2016, more than any other task force examiner in the nation. Detective Piasecki's unique knowledge and experience in mobile forensics, along with his willingness to assist whenever needed, have been invaluable in locating cell phone evidence in a variety of cases throughout the Miami Valley. His dedication to the Beavercreek Police Department and to working in partnership with the law enforcement community have earned him the respect of his peers. The Beavercreek Police Department is proud of his achievements and this well-deserved recognition.

Three Beavercreek High School seniors were also honored as *2017 Student of the Year*. Garrett Riley, Sophia Bush and Tommy Cole, all student aides for School Resource Officer Mark Brown, are active in the Peer Listening and Project Brite Star groups. They provide invaluable assistance and guidance as advocates for their peers. With their leadership, dedication and commitment to community service, they are all exemplary role models to the youth and future leaders of the Miami Valley.



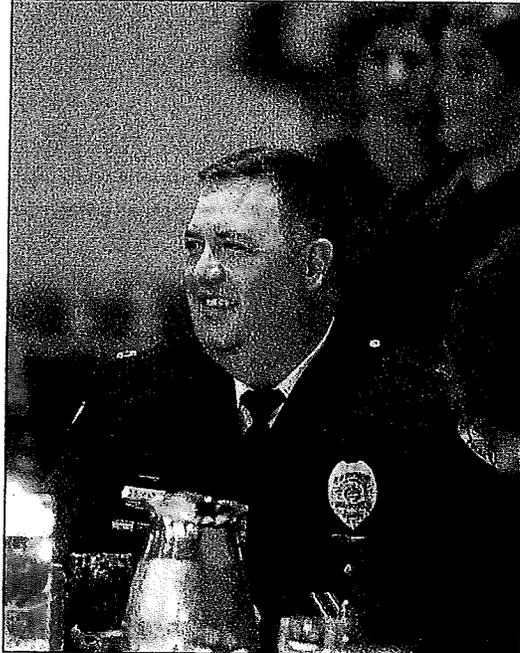
Celebrating excellence in Beavercreek

BEAVERCREEK — The Beavercreek Chamber of Commerce hosted their annual Celebration of Excellence Gala Jan. 26 at the Hope Hotel & Richard C. Holbrooke Conference Center in Fairborn.

The event highlights those who contribute positively to the community.

Master of Ceremonies were Beavercreek Chamber of Commerce Board Chair Monique Reeves and Vice Chair Kristie Miller. Invocation was provided by Pastor Joe Godwin of Patterson Park Church.

Those receiving awards were: City of Beavercreek Employee of the Year - Karen Mahaffey; Beavercreek Township Employee of the Year - Allen Stiffler; Beavercreek City Schools Employee of the Year - Krista Lovewell; Greene County Career Center Friend of Education Award - Toni Overholser; Beavercreek Chamber 2017 Board Chair - Sandra Brubaker; Outstanding Young Person/Group of the Year - Beavercreek Peer Listeners; Young Professional of the Year - Stephen Brown; Outstanding Business Person of the Year - Jerry Butts; Gussie Jones Civic Award - Sandy Woodruff; Military Award in Honor of Ret. Col. Len Holihan - Charlynda Scales; Chamber Member of the Year - Holly Beard and EG Shaw Lifetime Achievement - Mike Zwick.



Stephen Brown was named Young Professional of the Year. He was presented the award by Kristie Miller.

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The Beavercreek Chamber of Commerce celebrated excellence in the community on Jan. 26 with several awards presented.



Greene County Career Center Friend of Education Award went to Toni Overholser. She was presented the award by Ron Bolender.



Karen Mahaffey was awarded the City of Beavercreek Employee of the Year by Pete Landrum.



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