

NBPCAAA Newsletter

To Support the New Berlin Police Department and Law Enforcement



Upcoming Events

April 23, 2015

General Meeting – Dave Bartlett – computer security

May 2, 2015

Dinner at Silver Spur and play at Sunset Playhouse

May 12, 2015

Spring Citizens Academy Class Graduation

May 16, 2015

Safety Saturday at Children's (Moorland/Beloit Rd)

May 20, 2015

Spaghetti Dinner at Regency – Fundraiser for the NBPD

June 11, 2015

NBPCAAA Golf Outing

June 20, 2015 (Saturday)

Brat Fry at Pick & Save on Sunny Slope & National

July 4, 2015

"Cooking for the Cops" at NBPD

July 23, 2015

General Meeting

Board Meetings

Monthly - 3rd Thursday
New Berlin Ale House

Want to contribute to this newsletter?

Wine & Beer Tasting Event: Success!!



New Berlin Police Citizens Academy Alumni Association hosted their first Wine and Beer Tasting Event on March 21, 2015. It was held at the New Berlin Community Center where attendees sampled 50 different wines and 20 different beers. Twisted Cork in Muskego presented the tasting. Along with the tasting, everyone received a keepsake commemorative glass and got to sample foods from local New Berlin Restaurants. There were wine themed raffles throughout the evening. All proceeds will benefit the NBPCAAA, who supports the New Berlin Police Department.

Election results

Election results are as follows:

Dave Castona to a two year term.

Art Angove, Bernie Kramer, Hope Hegmen and Scott Klaas three year terms.

Wanted:

We are looking for members who would like to help us make up flyers, power points and help with working with the newsletter. Please call Stephanie at 414-425-4997 if interested.

Swat at Ethan Allen

Swat training at Ethan Allen was used to practice clearing rooms with cover. As role players our job was to take positions in rooms so that we could tell them when we spotted them and if we could have taken shots. Also training in protecting each other in cross room checking and clearing. Another area was clearing stairwells both open and closed. All exercises were developed to develop teamwork and safety so that no officer was positioned to be in the line of fire with another officer. It was fun playing the bad guys and being shot many times all of them resulting in our death. It was great to help Swat to improve their skills that we hope that they will never have to use.

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Treasurer's Report

Thanks to your help we had another successful year in 2014. We were able to donate \$12,651.26 to the New Berlin Police Department. That is up from \$6,973.11 in 2012 and \$8,310.18 in 2013. Listed below are all the items donated in 2014. We will be hosting the 2015 Golf outing on Thursday June 11th and the Bowling outing on Saturday August 15th. It helps us if you can come and/or invite others to these two fun events.

Jerry Vogel, Treasurer

2/6/2014	New Microwave Oven	\$144.99
2/21/2014	Hand Warmers for the Swat Team	\$100.92
3/21/2014	Material to make Swat Team Shield Covers	\$38.97
4/30/2014	Donation for Exercise Equipment	\$4,000.00
5/16/2014	Food for Police Appreciation Lunch	\$54.40
5/16/2014	Material for Child Seat Covers	\$ 56.91
7/8/2014	Extra Food for the 4th Of July Lunch's/Dinners	\$ 110.57
7/8/2014	Frames for donors thank you awards	\$47.25
8/23/2014	New 65 inch TV for updated Meeting Room	\$1,038.60
10/3/2014	Training Room Furniture	\$5,224.65
10/29/2014	Mounting Bracket and Cables for TV	\$91.76
12/3/2014	Memorial Bench	\$1,682.24
12/25/2014	Food for Police lunch	\$60.00

October 2014 General Membership Meeting

Our guest speaker at the October General Membership Meeting was Joseph Mazurczak of the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office, Police Services – Airport Division. He has been with the Sheriff's Office for 19 years, 10 years as Assistant Commander of the Bomb Squad.

The Milwaukee County Sheriff's Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD or "Bomb Squad") Unit was established in 1971. They respond throughout Southeastern Wisconsin to requests regarding explosives, suspicious packages and other specialized calls for service. In addition, the Bomb Squad also provides training to first responders in the areas of improvised explosive device (IED) recognition and containment. They respond to 45 to 60 calls per year.

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The Milwaukee unit is one of four in the state. Other Bomb Squads in Wisconsin are in Kenosha, Dane and Brown/Outagamie counties.

Initially, Bomb Squad members are sent to school for certification at the Redstone Arsenal Hazardous Devices School in Huntsville, Alabama. This is the only civilian bomb technician training school in the United States. The school is a collaborative effort between the FBI and the United States Army. Going forward squad members train an average of 16 hours per month. They receive training in various areas including fireworks destruction, safe handling procedures regarding chemical and incendiary devices, safe handling techniques for pipe bombs and Weapons of Mass destruction (WMDs).

The Milwaukee County Sheriff's Bomb Squad works with federal, state and local agencies. For example, on the local level they have worked with the SWAT team to develop a coordinated response to critical incidents utilizing explosive disposal and robotics to increase safety for officers, offenders and the public. Their four bomb sniffing dogs can be deployed at the airport or respond to threats at schools or business'. The Bomb Squad may do "sweeps" when high ranking public officials come to town. Deputy Mazurczak says "we work in the background, are seldom heard about, but we are there when needed."

To wrap up his presentation, Deputy Mazurczak invited members to tour the unit's emergency van. He pointed out the extensive arsenal of tools to detect, identify and render safe hazardous devices, including x-ray equipment, bomb suits, containment/transportation trailers and demonstrated one of two remote robotic systems.

2015 Spring Citizen's Academy schedule

(6:30pm to 9:30pm)

02/24	Administration/Tour	Chief Rieder/Officer Fus
03/03	Patrol Procedures	Sgt. Pine
03/10	Training Division	Officer King
03/17	Drug Investigations	Detective Majeskie
03/24	Crime Scene Investigations	Sgt. Park
03/31	Defense and Arrest Tactics	Officer Hippler
04/07	Municipal Court Services/K-9 Unit	Mary Ann Rozman/Sgt. Volz
04/14	Waukesha County Communications	Duane Bondar/Staff (At WCC)

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04/21	SWAT	Captain Glider
04/28	Firearms Fundamentals	Sgt. Godec
05/02	Firearms Range (A.M. Shoot)	Sgt. Godec
05/05	Fire Department Intro/Tour	Assistant Chief Gillard
05/09	Rain Date – Firearms Range	Sgt. Godec
05/12	Graduation Ceremony & Dinner	Cleveland Pub & Grill

January 2015 General Meeting

MIKE NEUENS GIVES A HISTORY LESSON

Former New Berlin Police Chief Mike Neuens was the guest speaker at our January 22nd General Membership Meeting. Mike’s whole professional career was with the New Berlin Police Department. He was Police Chief from April 1, 1994 to December 28, 1998. Thus, he was in a good position to present the history of the NBPD and the birth of our Citizens Academy.

We learned New Berlin became a city in 1959. In 1964 New Berlin got a police department. Prior to that time law enforcement was in the hands of the Waukesha County Sheriff’s Department. In 1964 the NBPD started with 10 officers and training as a top priority. By 1968 there were 20 officers. That number grew to 65 by 1998, the year that Mike retired.

The first police department building was located at the corner of Cleveland Ave. and Sunny Slope Rd. In 1973 it was relocated to 17165 W Glendale. It has been in the present location since 2000.

Mike recalled the seed for the NBPCAA was planted by his predecessor as Police Chief, Michael Hanrahan. Chief Hanarahan had seen an article in a Two Rivers, WI police department publication talking about informative classes on law enforcement for citizens. He never had the time though to really get things started in our city. Neuens went on to say, “I thought that was a good idea. I decided to put a program together for New Berlin.”

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Mike closed out his presentation taking questions from the audience. His time with us was well received.

NBPCAAA History - Here's how it all started

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The first class outline looked like this...

Week 1 – Overview of the program, history of the NBPD and crime statistics

2 – Patrol procedures

3 - Firearms (classroom only, no range shooting)

4 - Ride-along week, no class held

5 – Criminal investigations

6 – Courtroom procedures

7 – Joint operations, how police, EMS and fire departments work together

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And that's how it all started - thanks Mike.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Just think, in about two weeks the grass will be turning green, it stays light out longer, we will have our first thunder storm, and spring will make her appearance. Another winter is behind us.

2014 was a great year for us. We raised almost \$17,000 and have donated almost \$13,000 back to the Police Department. We have bought such items as a new microwave oven for the kitchen, hand warmers, gun safes, exercise equipment, a granite bench for the NBPD's 50th Anniversary to be placed outside the Safety building in spring. We also helped repurpose the old dispatchers room into a meeting room by purchasing a 65 inch Smart TV, tables, chairs and a lectern. How awesome is that! We couldn't have done all of this without your dedication and commitment. A big Thank you to everyone! Let's continue the momentum going into 2016.

Elections were held at the last General Meeting in January and I am pleased to announce that we have a new board member, Scott Klaas joining us. He is a prominent realtor here in New Berlin at Shorewest and will be a great asset to NBPCAAA. Welcome aboard Scott. Also a big Thank you goes out to Rip Edmundson, who has served on the Board since inception.

Last year our membership was up to 107 members strong and after this year's renewal our membership is 102 strong. Only losing a few members makes a strong statement. The membership booklet is completed and will be sent to you soon. If you haven't received your new membership cards, please email us to make arrangements to get you one.

Stephanie Brown
President



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