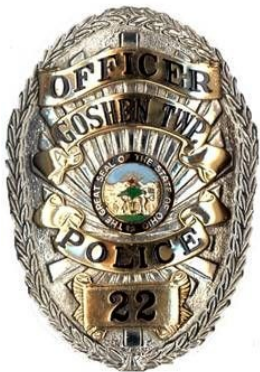


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Detective Mark Penn Retires

After 6 1/2 years with the Goshen Township Police Department and a combined total of nearly 34 years of public service, Detective Mark Penn entered retirement on June 1st.

He previously served as a dispatcher, corrections officer, deputy sheriff, DARE officer, and Sheriff's Department detective.

Among the awards that he earned over the years includes:

Officer of the Year 1990, DARE Officer of the Year 1993, Criminal Investigator of the Year 1999, and Criminal Investigator of the Year 2003.

Detective Penn's hard work for the Goshen Township and Clermont County is appreciated. We wish him well.



Officers Recognized for 2011 Contributions

At the Clermont County Awards Banquet held on May 17th, Officer James Taylor was awarded the Clermont County "Top Cop" award for his efforts to establish a Boys and Girls Club in Goshen Township.

Officer Tim Budai was awarded the "Top Traffic Enforcer" award for his contributions to keeping our community safe by removing 104 suspended drivers from our roadways throughout 2011.

Chief Snyder, Sgt. Robinson, Detective Penn, and Sgt. Blankenship (of the Union Twp. Police Department) received certificates of recognition for their investigative teamwork to solve the murder of a child at 1785 St. Rt. 28 in Goshen.

Department Update

On March 13th the CPAAA was recognized at the annual Salute to Leaders banquet by the Clermont County Chamber of Commerce.

On July 26th Chief Snyder began the process of upgrading in-car computers to wireless network cards.

On July 28th the CPAAA went on a field trip to the Ohio State Reformatory in Mansfield.

Throughout July, the process of having all department firearms inspected and thoroughly cleaned began.

Throughout July, Officer Moermond worked on replacing necessary township



Officer Dillon West was appointed as our newest Auxiliary Police Officer on July 14th.

Training

Sgt. Robinson attended Internet Sex Crimes Investigations May 7-11.

Captain Rose attended Certified Law Enforcement Executive training on June 6-7. This is a 15 month program and he is scheduled to graduate in February 2013.

Sgt Robinson attended Drug Awareness / Methamphetamine Update On June 22.

Online Investigation Nets Multiple Arrests

In May, after a runaway 14 year old Goshen girl was found safe, officers learned that she had had sexual relations with adults whom she had met on social media sites. With cooperation from the girls parents, Sergeant Ron Robinson assumed her identity on these social media sites. More than a dozen adult men came to Goshen to meet what they thought was a 14 year

old girl for sex. Over the course of several weeks, assisted by Goshen and Miami Township Police Officers, Sergeant Robinson took these men into custody. One of the men was 29 years old with three children of his own. Some of the men brought alcohol and drugs with them to meet the girl.

Sgt. Robinson followed the arrests up with a series of media interviews warning parents to monitor their children's activity on social media sites.

Some Significant Incidents

On May 3rd a 20 year old man kicked a car stopped at a stop sign and then punched the female passenger in that car. The car and female were unknown to him, this was a random act of violence. The male fled on foot. Officer Bucksath and canine Jinx tracked the suspect for approximately one and a half miles and found the man hiding behind a tree. He was taken into custody by Sgt. Hodson and charged with assault and criminal damaging.

On June 2nd Officer McFarland and Captain Rose investigated an aggravated arson of a home on Dorset Way. A 57 year old man was arrested.

On June 4th led by Sgt. Robinson, several search warrants were executed in the Four Seasons subdivision. Stolen property and drugs were recovered resulting in multiple charges on juveniles and adults including theft and burglary.

On June 23rd Officer Davis arrested a 42 year old man for felonious assault after that man

struck another man in the head with a baseball bat.

During the overnight hours of July 6th an air conditioner unit was stolen from LCNB.

During the overnight hours of July 8th Beck Hardware was forcibly entered and chainsaws were stolen.

During the overnight hours of July 9th Eastgate Lanes was forcibly entered and an attempt was made to remove the safe.

On July 14th Officer Budai investigated a suicide via gun.

On July 14th Officer McFarland investigated a suicide attempt via car left running in the garage. The victim was not breathing upon first responders arrival and was flown to the hospital by Air Care.

On July 30th Officer McFarland arrested a 46 year old man who was having sexual relations with two 15 year old boys.

How Does Goshen Compare?

To help determine how crime in Goshen Township compares with other communities, police administrators use the Ohio Incident Based Reporting System as tracked by the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services.

A review of 2011’s crime statistics shows that crime is up in Goshen while staff has declined. Having had two police officer retirements over the last several months and the loss of a part-time position, the department operates with nearly 100 fewer hours of police personnel per week than this same time last year.

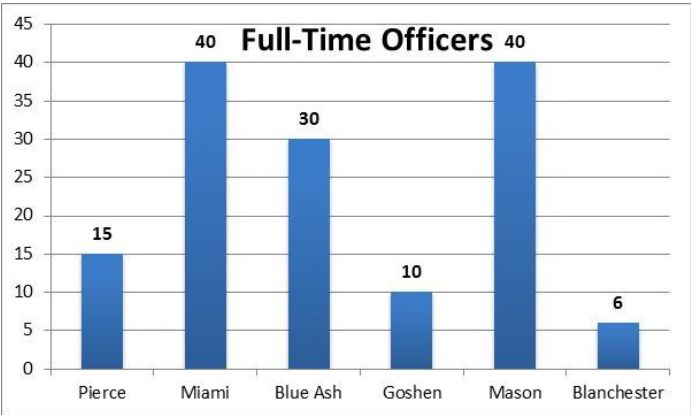
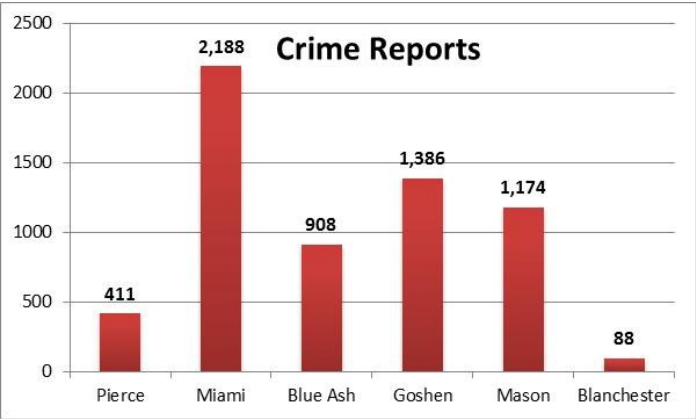
Without adequate funding to fill those vacated positions, there are fewer officers to respond to calls which has resulted in increased response times, investigations are taking longer, and officers have less time for

pro-active patrols.

Fewer officers, including no detectives dedicated to criminal investigations is troubling, especially when you consider the amount of major crime in Goshen, for example:

Goshen Township residents are three times more likely to become the victim of a burglary than a resident of Colerain Township, a suburb of Cincinnati. Colerain Township Police reported 96 burglaries in 2011. With a population of 58,499, they had one burglary for every 609 residents. Goshen Police took 73 burglary reports with just 15,505 residents, a ratio of one burglary for every 212 residents.

Police administrators are working with elected officials and the community to find solutions.



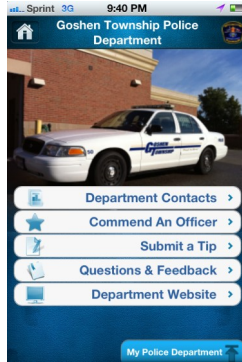
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PD Launches Iphone/Android App



On June 5th the police department launched an iphone/android app called “My Police Department.” This app is another way for the community to stay informed, ask questions, and provide tips. In April, Officer Jeff Wolf approached his supervisors with the idea. Several weeks later, with financial support for the project provided by the CPAAA, Officer Wolf had turned the idea into reality.

Since the implementation, the app has provided useful with citizens contacting the police department with concerns.

CPA 4 Graduates

After 10 weeks of instruction, the 15 members of the 4th Goshen Township Citizens Police Academy graduated on May 31st.

