



Chippewa Falls Police Department Annual Report 2017

Police Chief Matthew Kelm

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Introduction

The members of the Chippewa Falls Police Department are proud to present to you the 2017 Annual Report.



Inside this report, you will read about department accomplishments and activities.

We enjoy being a part of the community where we work. Employees of the Chippewa Falls Police Department are very proud of Chippewa Falls. We strive to do our part in making the city a fun and safe place to work, live and play.

Department Values

INTEGRITY • COMPASSION • COMMITMENT

Mission Statement

To provide quality policing
through **C**ommunity partnerships
that **F**ocus on problem solving and
through em**P**loyees who
are **D**riven to fight crime.

From the Desk of ...

Police Chief Matthew Kelm



In 2017 the Chippewa Falls Police Department continued to serve and protect the citizens of Chippewa Falls and our surrounding community. The department has worked hard to address the methamphetamine and mental health issues that continue to rise in our region of the state. We also were very busy this year engaging with our community on a daily basis, through our social media pages and with special events.

Our Citizen's Academy was relaunched this year with updates to many of our topics. Some old favorites like firearms and driving the squad car were kept while new material in criminal and drug investigations was added.

The tradition of playing basketball with Special Olympics continues into its 20th year. Officers dressed in Star Wars gear came out to play, but were defeated once again. This community event is one that continues to grow each year.

Other annual events like National Night Out, Cookies with Cops and Coffee with Cops came back again in 2017 with amazing attendance.

Shine Blue for the Badge was a project started by a McDonell student group who wanted to recognize police for the difficult job they have. They sold blue light bulbs to local citizen and businesses so that our officers knew they were appreciated out there patrolling in the dark of night.

Parking Enforcement got a big upgrade in 2017. Our old 1999 parking scooter was replaced by a new all electric parking scooter. This very distinctive police vehicle has featured prominently in parades, special events, and all around town. It draws attention wherever it goes and has been a big hit.

We had a few personnel changes in 2017. Officer Drew Zehm was selected as our department's new Sensitive Crimes investigator. Officer Sheridan Pabst was selected as our department's new drug investigator. Officer Ryan Boie joined the police department this year and has been a solid addition to our team.

A large part of 2017 was dedicated to getting a K9 Program for Chippewa Falls from just a wish to a reality. Before we even brought up the idea, a lot of work went into research. We had many meetings with our City Council followed by a lot of work fundraising in our community. Active fundraising started in September of 2017 and was going strong right through the end of the year.

We ended 2017 with the retirement of veteran Officer Lee Hakes. This position would need to be filled first thing in 2018.

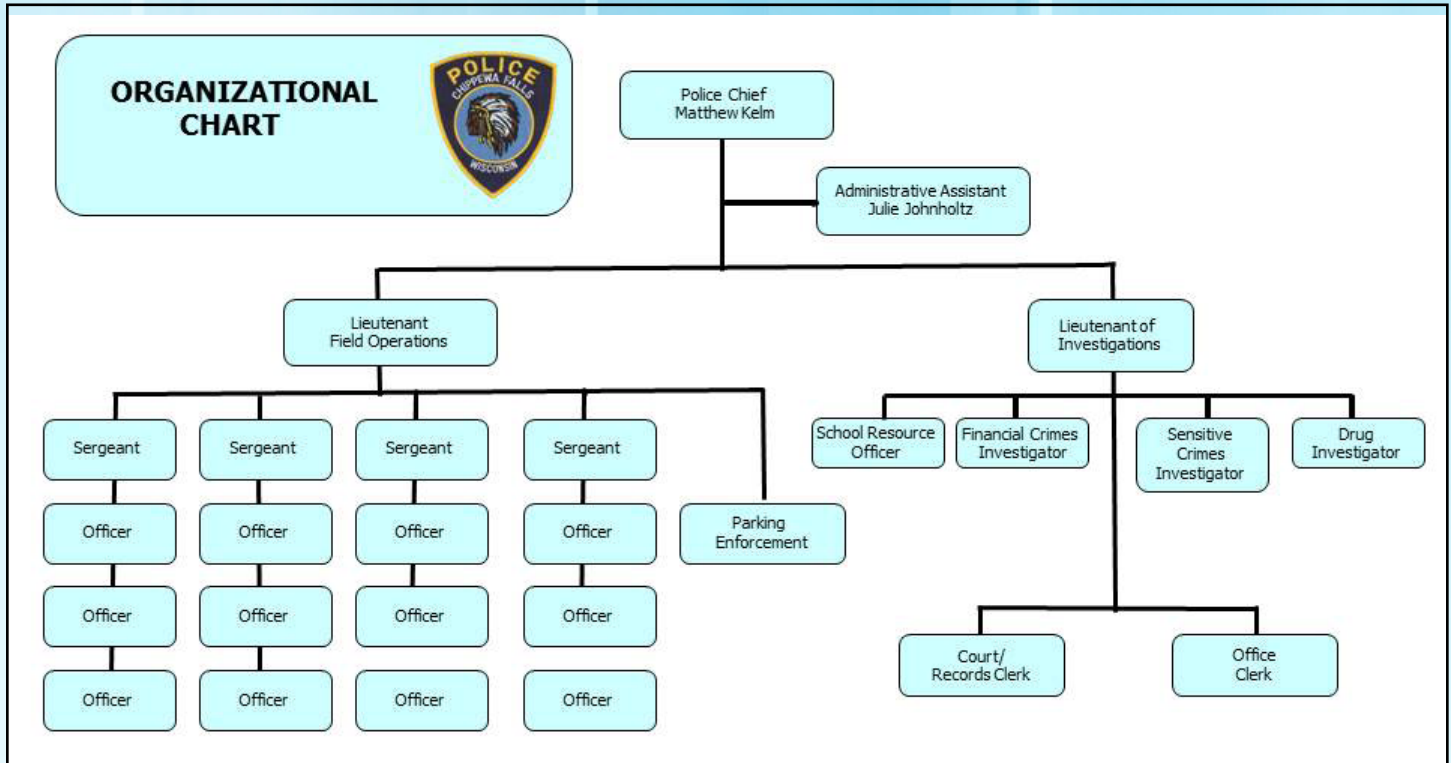
In 2018 we look forward to continuing to provide our community with quality professional police services. We hope to start our K9 program next year which will provide our officers a new critical resource. Chippewa Falls remains a safe and family friendly community in large part because of the strong relationship between its citizens and police officers.

Chippewa Falls Police Department Roster

January 1, 2017

Chief Matthew Kelm
Lieutenant of Investigations Brian Micolichuk
Lieutenant of Field Operations David BeBeau
Sergeant Ryan Douglas
Sergeant Korry Boos
Sergeant Thomas Wahl
Sergeant Deborah Brettingen
Officer Brian Zwiefelhofer
Officer Lee Hakes
Officer Timothy Strand
Financial Crimes Investigator Jason Jacobson
Officer Brian Flug
Officer Stephen McMahon
School Resource Officer Joseph Nelson
Drug Investigator Sheridan Pabst
Officer Craig Mantzke
Officer Cody Monson
Sensitive Crimes Investigator Drew Zehm
Officer Mitchell Checkalski
Officer James Luckey
Officer Jonathon Schwede
Officer Daniel Downey
Officer Shane McKee
Administrative Assistant Julie Johnholtz
Lead Records Clerk Linda Morning
Front Desk Clerk April Holty
Parking Enforcement Jean Bernier

Organization



Chippewa Falls City Council members

The citizens of Chippewa Falls elect a mayor and seven city council members — all with two year terms.



Mayor: Gregory Hoffman

First Ward: John Monarski

Second Ward: Rob Kiefer

Third Ward: CW King

Fourth Ward: Chuck Hull

Fifth Ward: Paul Olson

Sixth Ward: Paul Nadreau

Seventh Ward: Robert Hoekstra

Police and Fire Commission

The Chippewa Falls Police and Fire Commission has the important task of interviewing and recommending candidates for police and fire department positions. The Commission looks for candidates who have high integrity, are likeable, responsible, hardworking and committed among other traits.

Police and Fire Commission: Paul Peters, Todd Prill, Greg Dachel, Amy Mason and Brian Flynn



MedReturn Drug Drop

Chippewa County Community Drug Task Force

The Chippewa Falls Police Department participates with other law enforcement agencies in Chippewa County in a prescription drug drop program.

The police department received grant money to be shared with other Chippewa County law enforcement agencies.

As a result, we utilized numerous ways to educate and inform the public.

We inform the public through radio, newspaper, flyers, Facebook, informational cards handed out at pharmacies and local events, and also by advertising at local movie theaters.

We also maintain a total of eight drug drop locations throughout Chippewa County.

The drop boxes are being used consistently and the total collection for 2017 was nearly 900 pounds of unwanted prescriptions collected and disposed of properly.

WCFW RADIO AD

Is your medicine cabinet overflowing with outdated prescription drugs?

Don't Flush them! Drop them during a one-day drug take back event on Saturday, April 23rd.

Stop at one of FOUR locations to properly dispose of your prescription drugs:

On Saturday, April 23, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. visit the Bloomer Police Department in Bloomer, River Country Plaza in Cadott, Gordy's Market on Prairie View Road in Chippewa Falls or Gordy's Market in Cornell. Look for a display outside of each facility. Stop by and drop your drugs for safe disposal on Saturday, April 23.

Sponsored by the Chippewa County Community Drug Task Force.



Got Drugs?

Most abused prescription drugs come from family and friends. Recycle your unused drugs in MedReturn boxes in Chippewa County.

LOCATIONS:

- Bloomer Police Department
- Boyd Police Department
- Cadott Police Department
- Chippewa Falls Police Department
- Chippewa County Sheriff's Department
- Cornell Police Department
- Lake Hallie Police Department
- Stanley Police Department

Available during business hours.

DIRECTIONS:

Place tablets or capsules in a sealable bag and drop the bag in the MedReturn Box. Liquids, creams and inhalants should be kept in their original containers.

  Don't flush it. Drop it.

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Chippewa
County
Community
DRUG TASK FORCE



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Drop it.**

Social Media

Social media is here to stay. **TOP 5 POSTS REACHED IN 2017**

Once viewed by many officers as “playing around on Facebook” has become the officers’ favorite tools when trying to locate someone or get information from the public.

Two officers share the role of social media oversight. It has allowed better coverage of the Facebook page.

It has also allowed for more ideas and opinions to be shared, which is always good. These ideas resulted in several funny posts and videos, which the public has enjoyed.

VIDEOS

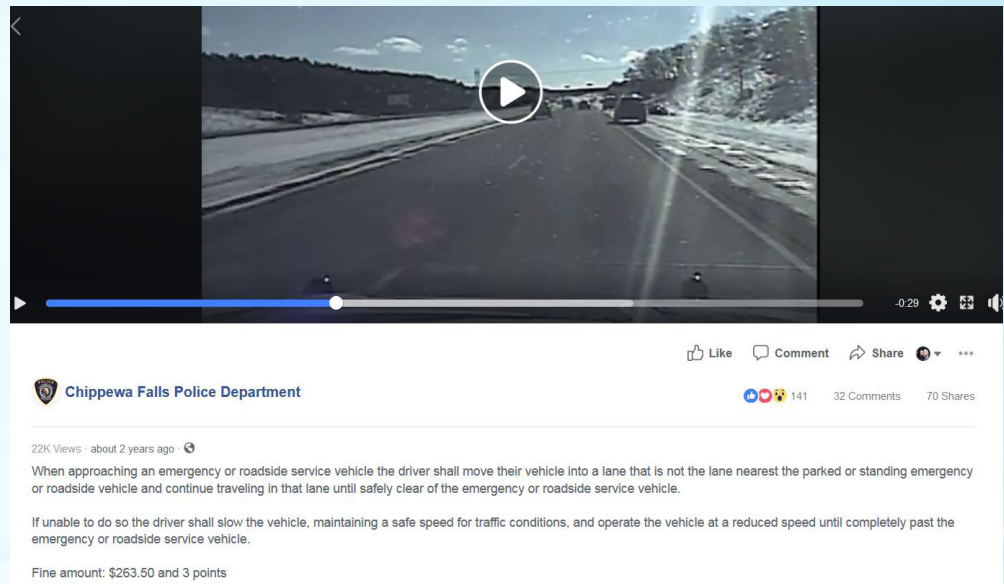
The most popular Facebook video of the year was a dash-cam video taken when a vehicle did not move over for emergency vehicles on the side of the road. The post was an opportunity to educate the public about the Move Over law.

PHOTOS

The most popular Facebook photo posted was a Wanted Wednesday wanted person post searching for the Queen of Arendelle — Elsa. We’ve found that having a sense of humor, when appropriate, produces a surge in engagement.

Our social media program continues to grow everyday allowing us to reach more people and build a positive relationship between the public and police department.

No. 1: 236,553 people reached Posted on 1/27/17



No. 2: 182,693 people reached Posted on 1/11/17



No. 3: 150,460 people reached Posted on 6/22/17

Chippewa Falls Police Department
July 22, 2017 · 🌐

Black bear on the West Hill

We have received several reports of a black bear seen on Huron St. and Superior St. today.

EMS is extremely busy today so please do not attempt to feed, hug or fight the bear. We recommend just leaving it be and it will find its way back to where it came from.



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No. 4: 101,069 people reached Posted on 8/22/17

Chippewa Falls Police Department
August 22, 2017 · 🌐

Looking for your assistance. See the attached media release. If you see these people please call 9-1-1 or your local law enforcement agency.

Matthew L. Kalm - Police Chief

MEDICAL RELEASE

Date of Release: August 22, 2017
Released By: Chief Matthew L. Kalm
Incident: Interference with Child Custody, Burglary, Theft of Motor Vehicle
Date: September 6, 2017
Case Number: CP-17-02466
Case Time: 0642
Address: 555 W. Service St.
Hudson, WI 54001 / Social Media
Date Time Sent: August 22nd 4:00pm

Suspect Description:
Michelle J. Siegart
Age: 29
Female / White / 5'07" / 155 lbs
Brown Hair / Brown Eyes

Victims:
Jilly Ann Elizabeth Hayde
Female / age 12
Andrew Nathan Hayde
Male / age 10
Andrew D. Hayde
Male / age 21

Details of Incident:
On Saturday morning (08/19/17) shortly before 7:00am Andrew Hayde reported that his children Andrew Nathan Hayde male age 10 and Jilly Ann Elizabeth Hayde female age 12 were not at his residence. Also, his vehicle had been stolen from his residence along with his bank cards. Hayde suspects his ex-girlfriend and mother to the children, Michelle Siegart entered his residence and took the children along with his bank cards and vehicle. Hayde said that he believes that Siegart has told the children that there was no sign of struggle in the residence and she has a history of stopping at the residence when he is a victim. Siegart has open felony bond conditions now be in contact with the children or Hayde. Additionally, there was evidence at the residence suggesting that she had been there sometime between 8/19/17. Hayde advised that he has sole custody of the children.

Hayde did not believe that Siegart posed an immediate danger to the children, however she did not take a large amount of the children's necessary medication. She is associated with known methamphetamine users and is suspected of meth use herself. Siegart currently has a felony warrant for her arrest.

Investigators have been checking with relatives and following up on leads in this case. Detective Joann Lopez (JTL) has been issued with the father's consent to release the public's assistance in locating his children, Andrew and Jilly, as well as Michelle and the stolen vehicle.


The vehicle stolen is a white Dodge Caravan with plate number 201-ZUO. The vehicle has a sandal shoe and Honda auto body filler on it.

Andrew Hayde has given us permission to release his children's names and pictures in hopes they will assist in locating the children.



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No. 5: 100,952 people reached Posted on 1/10/17



Chippewa Falls Police Department

👍 Like 💬 Comment ➦ Share 🌐 🌐 🌐

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Chippewa Falls Police Department Citations

2,560 citations, including:

ANIMAL RUNNING AT LARGE	28
DOGS AND CATS TO BE LICENSED	62
KENNEL LICENSE REQUIRED	11
EXHIBITION DRIVING	8
FAILURE TO SLOW DOWN/MOVE OVER FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLE	7
FAIL/STOP AT STOP SIGN OR YIELD RIGHT OF WAY AT STOP	30
INATTENTIVE DRIVING	18
SEAT BELT VIOLATION	76
VIOLATE RED TRAFFIC SIGNAL	23
OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLE W/O INSURANCE	209
OPERATE W/O VALID LICENSE	72
OPERATING AFTER SUSPENSION	431
OPERATING WHILE REVOKED	146
SUSPENDED, REVOKED, NON-REGISTRATION OF AUTO	277
EXCEEDING SPEED ZONES (1-10 MPH OVER)	77
EXCEEDING SPEED ZONES (11-15 MPH OVER)	118
EXCEEDING SPEED ZONES (16 MPH OR MORE OVER)	87
SPEEDING IN WORK ZONE (1-10 MPH OVER)	2
SPEEDING IN WORK ZONE (11-15 MPH OVER)	5
SPEEDING IN WORK ZONE (16-19 MPH OVER)	2
SPEEDING IN WORK ZONE (20 MPH OR MORE OVER)	6
RECKLESS DRIVING	5
OWI (1ST OFFENSE)	68
OWI (2ND)	25
OWI (3RD)	15
OWI (4TH)	8
OWI (5TH OR MORE)	10
OWI DRUG RELATED	12
POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA/POSSESSION OF THC	43
TAMPERING/FAILURE TO INSTALL IGNITION LOCK AFTER OWI	41
DISORDERLY CONDUCT (1ST OFFENSE IN A YEAR)	17
UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION	60
CITY RETAIL THEFT	21

The charge of Operating While Intoxicated (OWI) is a very serious charge in Wisconsin. In 2003, Wisconsin became the 43rd state to lower the legal blood alcohol content (BAC) to a level of 0.08%, which makes the OWI laws even tougher than before on those who drink and drive.

In 2017, the Chippewa Falls Police Department recorded 126 total OWI arrests.

The average blood alcohol content of those charged was .172 -- more than twice the legal limit to drive.

Fifty four percent of arrests were first offense, which means 46 percent were second offense or higher offense.

Parking Summary by Ordinance

Ordinance Description	Total Citations 2017	Total Fines	Total Citations 2016
2-hour zone	1,104	\$6,633	1232
24-hour zone	45	\$675	19
2 a.m. - 6 a.m.	767	\$11,500	828
4-hour zone	205	\$1,637	194
8-hour zone	9	\$90	53
Handicap parking	9	\$450	18
Improper parking	24	\$360	20
Keys in unattended vehicle	19	\$950	14
Loading zone	3	\$45	1
Posted private	14	\$280	25
Prohibited parking	110	\$1,643	63
TOTAL	2,309	\$24,263	2,467

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Index Crimes

Offense	2017	2016	2015
Murder	0	0	0
Rape	3	2	0
Disorderly Conduct	43	59	107
Simple Assault	146	61	75
Burglary	15	4	1
Motor Vehicle Theft	15	3	5
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	334	289	332
Vandalism	66	73	78

Highlights, Achievements and Significant Events



SWEARING THE OATH: 'I will never betray my badge, my integrity, my character or the public trust ...'



Cookies with Cops



Connecting with kids through sugar cookies.

Special Olympics Annual Basketball Game

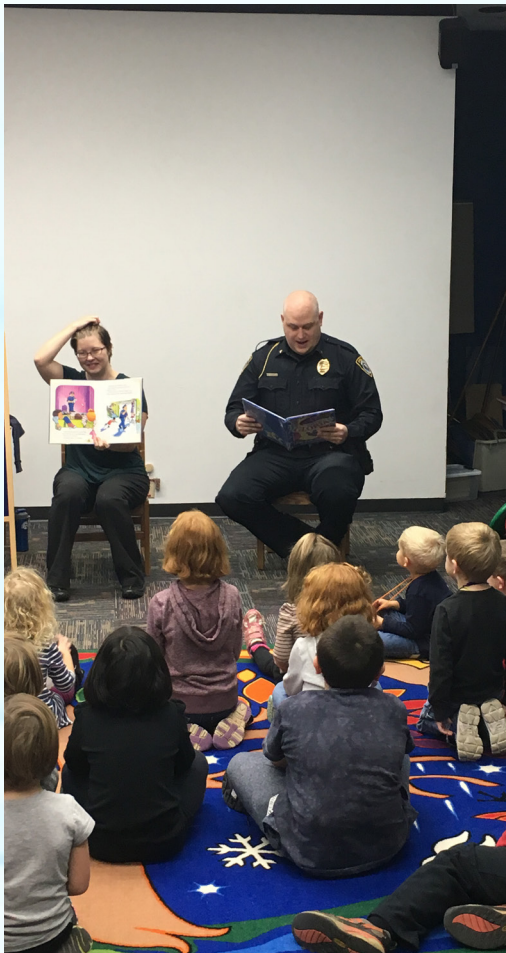


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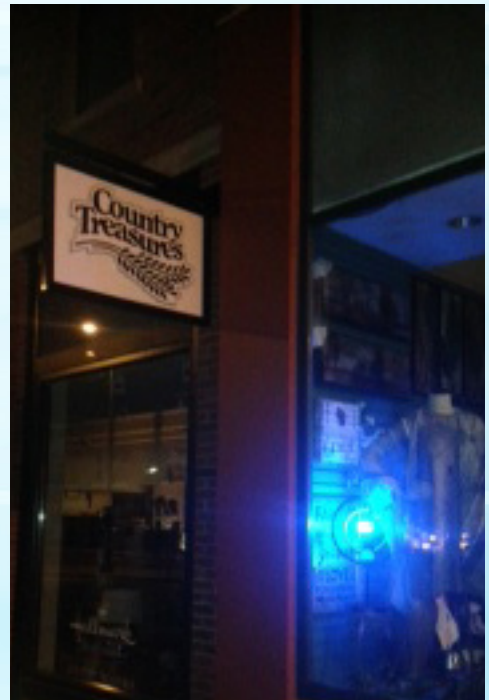
THE NEXT GENERATION



KIDS ARE KEY



SHINING BLUE



Connecting with our Community

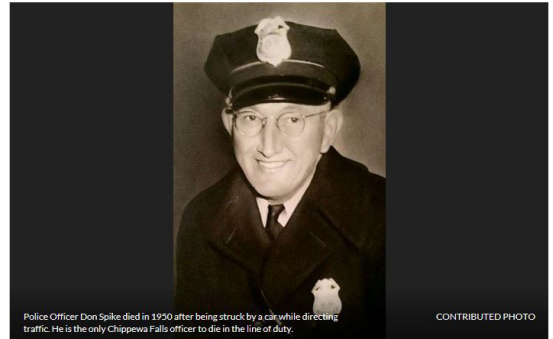




FRONT PAGE
Newspaper article spurs action in need for photo of long-fallen Chippewa Falls officer

By Christina T. O'Brien

Published on Sept. 12, 2017 | Updated 12:06 a.m.



A decades long mystery...



was finally solved this year. The Chippewa Falls Police Department's only officer to die in the line of duty was Donald G. Spike on September 29th, 1950. Much of who Donald Spike was had been lost to history. We did not even know what he looked like. For decades we have sought information about our fallen officer to no avail.

Finally this year Sgt. Deborah Brettingen was able to connect with his family through a news article written in the Leader-Telegram. His family gave us his picture, badge and memorabilia from his funeral. We will hold a dedication ceremony for Officer Spike in 2018 during Police Week.

Chippewa Falls Police Department 2017