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RESPECT

One of our core values is respect. There are a couple definitions of respect. One is a feeling of deep admiration for someone or something elicited by their abilities, qualities or achievements. You may have respect for someone because they are a great police officer or because they communicate very well. The second definition is a due regard for the feelings, wishes, rights, or traditions of others. This second definition is more general in that it is a respect we have for others as human beings.

There seems to be a lot of issues in our society that bring divisiveness and a lack of respect for others. We feel a lack of respect from others in our community simply because we wear a badge and uniform. Sometimes people hate us, spit on us, yell at us, call us names, belittle and demean us. Yet we carry on with our job and treat everyone respectfully. That's just who we are, even though it may be very difficult.

Beyond how we are treated, many of the calls for service we respond

to could be avoided if people would treat others with respect, decency, and kindness. We would have a lot more time to focus elsewhere if people were generally more courteous and respectful to others.

As we go through our days and our lives, there will be times when we disagree vehemently with another person's beliefs or position on an issue. We will feel like we don't want to be supportive of their life choices or their decisions. Respecting someone's opinions or lifestyle choices is different than respecting their humanness. Everyone has a right to their thoughts, feelings, and beliefs. But when we tear each other down, our community is torn down. Every single one of us has faults, secrets, and flaws. We're imperfect.

Give respect in everything you do both at work and at home. You will be better for it. Others you encounter will be better for it. And you'll start to see a reflection of the respect you give in the people you encounter. That's leadership at its very basic level.

"There can be disagreement without disrespect." Dean Jackson
"You can easily judge the character of a man by how he treats those who can do nothing for him." Johann Wolfgang von Goethe
If they respect you, respect them. If they disrespect you, still respect them. Do not allow the actions of others to decrease your good manners, because you represent yourself, not others." Mohammad Zeyara
"People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." Maya Angelou

Awards & Promotions

New Officers Sworn In



On May 29, 2019, three new officers were sworn in to the Wausau Police Department. From left to right: Officer Robert Pfaff, Mayor Robert Mielke, Officer Ivy Tiry, and Officer Brady Olson.

Congratulations and Welcome!

Chief's Chat #10



Chief's Chat #10 Everett Gleason

Chief's Chat #10 is Chief Bliven talking to Bill Gleason, the son of Police Chief Everett Gleason, who had the second longest tenure in the chief's office. Learn why his 25 years of service was interrupted, some of the many programs he organized that are still active today, and what the main qualification to be an officer was during his time.

<https://tinyurl.com/y4pos29t>

Acknowledgements & Other News

GD Jones School Carnival



Several of our officers attended the GD Jones Elementary School Carnival before the end of the school year. The students were able to learn about police work and some of the equipment we use.



School Resource Officer Conference

SRO's Jeff Schremp, Nick Stetzer and K-9 Badge attended the 10th Annual School Resource Officer Conference. Kristin Seidler, our Mental Health Therapist, assisted them in giving a presentation on mental health and our therapy dog program.

The SRO's present learned from presentations on active shooters in schools, drug trends, and more.



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Community Garden



A community garden is being planted on the southwest corner of Thomas Street and Grand Avenue. The first step is planting fruit trees. The project is joint effort of the City and several local non-profit groups. Officer Gaiche and Mayor Mielke were among those that came to help with the planting. Watch for apples, pears, plums and cherries to come!



Coloring Books



Ashely Bores, an advisor for the Wausau Police Cadets, brought us an excellent donation of coloring books and crayons.

Thank you so much!

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Special Olympics

Special Olympics is near and dear to our hearts here at the police station... This year SRO Nick Stetzer, Detective Nate Stetzer and Officer Price attended this year's games in Stevens Point. They participated in the opening ceremony and interacted with the athletes. We can't wait for next year!



Birthday Treats

Everyone likes getting treats for their birthday, and our K9s are no different. Badge loved his birthday present that was dropped off for him by Amy Zondlo.

Thanks Amy!



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Save the Date



Community Invite



The Wausau PD wants to show our appreciation to the Wausau Community for their support.

Officers will provide brats, hotdogs, beverages, & other goodies

Monday, August 19, 2019
Between 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
On the 400 Block

Come join us!

