



Northfield Village Police Department 2010 Annual Report

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Chief of Police

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Mission Statement

The mission of every member of the Northfield Village Police Department is to uncompromisingly provide a superior level of quality service and to remain resolute in our desire to reliably and diligently strive to seek and find, in an unyielding, dedicated, and committed approach, the ways and means to dynamically promote, preserve, and enhance the safety, security, and overall quality of life within our community.

Chief of Police

Mark C. Wentz

Mayor ★ Safety Director

Victor F. Milani

Law Director ★ Prosecutor

Bradric Bryan

Clerk of Court

Lisa Thellmann

2010 Fire & Safety Committee

Beatrice Greenlee, Chairperson

Linda Bowen ★ Lennie Noack





Honorable Victor F. Milani, Mayor
Village Council Members
and Citizens of Northfield Village,

On behalf of the members of the Police Department, I proudly present our 2010 Annual Report. This report provides highlights and summaries of the Police Department's activities during the past year. It also includes descriptions of the Department's major programs, initiatives and accomplishments.

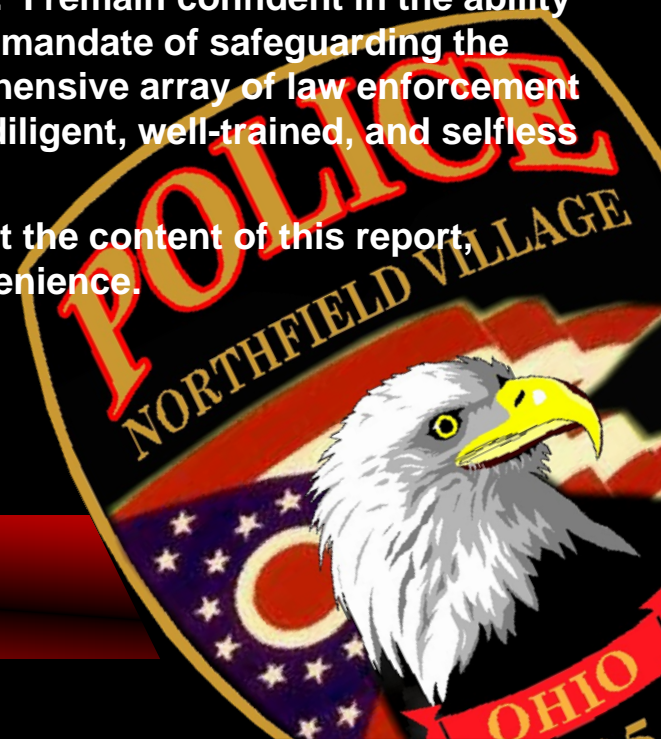
The accomplishments realized by the department during 2010 were the result of an effective team effort put forth by a great group of committed law enforcement officers and support staff. I remain confident in the ability of this law enforcement agency to meet its mandate of safeguarding the community by way of delivery of a comprehensive array of law enforcement services and programs administered by a diligent, well-trained, and selfless work force.

Should you have any questions about the content of this report, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Respectfully,

Chief Mark C. Wentz

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2010 Police Personnel

Turnover in personnel is always troubling to police administrators, and police chiefs in small communities, such as Northfield Village, are well aware that attracting and keeping good officers can be as much of a challenge as fighting crime.

It's common for officers to move to large departments for salary reasons and "more action" after a few years, leaving the small communities short-handed and short on experience.

Fortunately, the Northfield Village Police Department has been able to sustain a good nucleus of full-time officers, intertwined with reliable and energetic part-time officers. We have experience within the ranks and youth waiting in the wings.

In 2010, we added three part-time officers during the course of the year. In March, we swore in Officer Warren Olesinski, a recent graduate from the Kent State University Police Academy, and 14-year veteran officer, Joe McFeely. Then, in October, we added 15-year veteran police officer, Stephen Van Ness, to our ranks. Regrettably, we also said goodbye to the longest-standing member of the police department, Officer Paul Norton (1993-2010), who retired in September 2010. Known for his quiet and unassuming demeanor, Paul brought a true professionalism to the job and will be missed within the community and around the station.

Also, in 2010, we saw the promotion of Sgt. Jamie Mackie to the well-deserved rank of lieutenant.

Presently, the Police Department is comprised of the Chief of Police, the lieutenant, two sergeants, five full-time patrol officers, one full-time detective, six part-time officers, and a civilian police secretary.



Police Chief Mark C. Wentz



Police Chief Mark Wentz began his law enforcement career in 1979 as a part-time officer with the Willoughby Hills Police Department, then moved to the North Randall Police Department in 1980, where he served the next 21 years as a patrol officer, accident and uniformed investigator, detective, and shift sergeant. He was selected Northfield Village's Chief of Police in March 2001.

Chief Wentz has received numerous awards and commendations during his career, including "Top Cop" from the Greater Cleveland Crime Prevention Committee. From 1984 thru 1995 he recorded the most self-initiated auto theft arrests by a suburban police officer in Northeast, OH. He is a court certified expert in Auto Theft and VIN Re-construction at the local, state and federal level.

1971 Graduate of Cleveland St. Ignatius High School and attended Cleveland State University, where he studied architectural design. Married with five children and six grandchildren.





Lieutenant Jamie Mackie

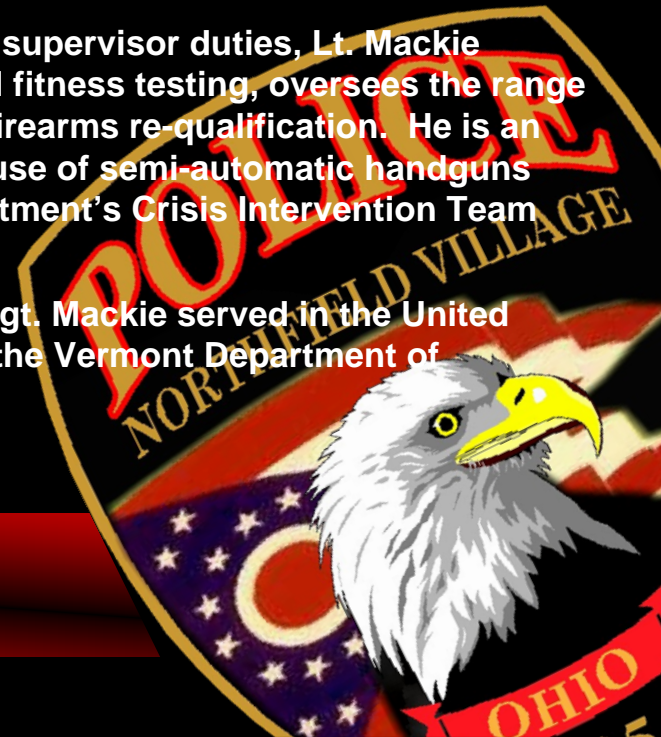


Lt. Jamie Mackie began his career with the Northfield Village Police Department as an auxiliary officer in 1994. He was elevated to part-time in 1995, then promoted to full-time status in 1997.

In 2002 he left the patrol division and assumed the duties of detective. In February 2004 he earned the promotion to the rank of sergeant, followed by his selection as second-in-command of the Police Department in March 2008. He was promoted to lieutenant in May 2010.

In addition to his command and shift supervisor duties, Lt. Mackie manages the Department's annual physical fitness testing, oversees the range and coordinates the Department's annual firearms re-qualification. He is an OPOTA certified firearms instructor in the use of semi-automatic handguns and shotgun. Additionally, he is our Department's Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) coordinator and liaison officer.

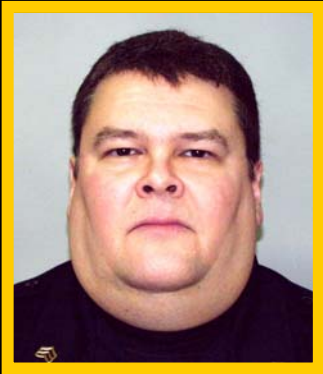
Prior to his law enforcement career, Sgt. Mackie served in the United States Marine Corps and worked briefly in the Vermont Department of Corrections.





Sergeants

Anthony Urbanowicz and John Zolgus



Sgt. Urbanowicz started with the Northfield Village Police Department as a part-time officer in March 1995. He was promoted to full-time status on June 25, 1997, then earned his promotion to the rank of sergeant on October 28, 1998.

Sgt. Urbanowicz is well-schooled in a myriad of subjects and is a state certified law enforcement instructor. He acts as our Department's Tactical Training Officer and promotes officer safety as his first priority.



Sgt. Zolgus began his career as a part-time officer with the Northfield Village Police Department in September 1993. He advanced to full-time status on June 25, 1997 and was promoted to the rank of sergeant on February 25, 2004.

Sgt. Zolgus is a state certified Field Training Officer (FTO) and supervises our FTO program. He also oversees the Department's Vehicle Maintenance and is the Department's Communications Officer and Traffic Enforcement Detail (T.E.D.) Supervisor.



Patrol & Investigative Division

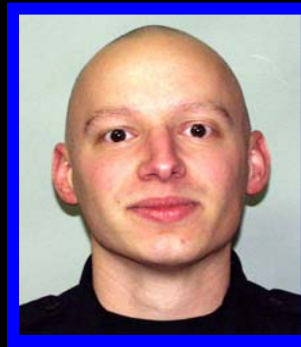
Full-time Officers



1997
Patrol Officer
Brian Zambach
★
CIT



2005
Detective
Edward Carlile
★
Detective Bureau
Hostage Negotiator
Fugitive Task Force
CIT



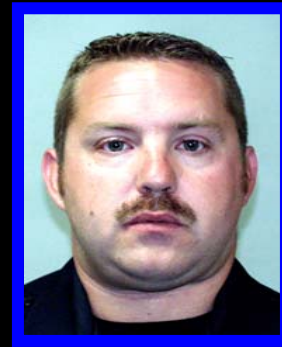
2005
Patrol Officer
Brian Zajac
★
Juvenile Officer
Crash Investigator
Field Training Officer
Fugitive Task Force
CIT



2006
Patrol Officer
Ryan Kaetzel
★
CIT



2008
Patrol Officer
Frederick Jones
★
Arson Investigator
Field Training Officer
Tactical Training Officer
Certified EMT
CIT

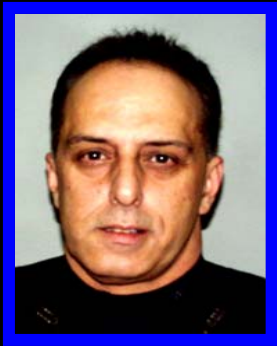


2006
Patrol Officer
Daniel Kozar
★
Range Officer
CIT



Patrol Division

Part-time Officers



2002
Patrol Officer
James Catania



2009
Patrol Officer
Michael Smith



2009
Patrol Officer
Matthew Grams
★
CIT



2010
Patrol Officer
Warren Olesinski



1999 – 2008
2010
Patrol Officer
Joe McFeely
★
Field Training Officer
CIT



2010
Patrol Officer
Stephen Van Ness



Detective Bureau

Crime Scene Investigative Unit



Lt. Jamie Mackie



*Det. Bureau Supervisor
CIT*



Det. Edward Carlile



*Detective
Evidence Officer
Hostage Negotiator
Fugitive Task Force
CIT*



Ptl. Fred Jones



*Arson Investigator
CIT*

The Detective Bureau is charged with the responsibility of managing the more serious cases, the evidence room, and assists the members of the Patrol Division with their cases by conducting interviews and following up additional leads, to name but a few of the many everyday tasks. The Detective Bureau is comprised of a bureau supervisor, one full-time detective and an arson investigator.



Juvenile Division

Juvenile Diversion Program



Sgt. John Zolgus



*Juvenile Division Supervisor
Diversion Coordinator*



Brian Zajac



*Juvenile Officer
Diversion Officer
CIT*

The Juvenile Division investigates and records the activities of juveniles within the Village. It is also responsible for the development and implementation of the Juvenile Diversion Program, an alternative to Juvenile Court for juveniles who commit a minor offense for the first time. In this capacity juvenile offenders are dealt with on an unofficial basis through a hearing, during which time a contract, aimed at eradicating the delinquent or unruly behavior, is established with the cooperation of the juvenile's parents and/or legal guardian. Additionally, diversion-eligible juvenile offenders are introduced to available options, which can be utilized to achieve greater levels of success in changing negative behavior, including community service and counseling.



Hires, Departures & Promotions



PTL. RICHARD "JOE" McFEELY
Sworn in as Part-time Officer on
March 24, 2010. Previously served
on Department from 1999 – 2008.
Full-time officer with Hudson PD



PTL. WARREN OLESINSKI
Sworn in as Part-time
Officer on March 24, 2010.



PTL. STEPHEN VAN NESS
Sworn in as Part-time
Officer on October 13, 2010.
15 Years Experience



LT. JAMIE MACKIE
Promoted to Lieutenant May 10, 2010.

Previously served Department as:

- Auxiliary Officer: 1994 – 1995
- Part-time Officer: 1995 – 1997
- Full-time Patrol Officer: 1997 – 2001
- Detective: 2001 – 2004
- Sergeant: 2004 – 2009
- Executive Sergeant: 2009 – 2010.



PTL. PAUL NORTON
Retired September 26, 2010
Served 1993 – 1999, 2000 – 2010
16 Years





Police Personnel Deployment

ASSIGNMENT	COORDINATOR	ASSIGNMENT	COORDINATOR
Booking Photo File	Officer Brian Zambach	Fatal Accident Team	Officer Brian Zajac
Breath Instrument	Officer Daniel Kozar	Field Training Officer	Sgt. John Zoligus
Case Management	Supervisors	Firearms / Range	Lt. Jamie Mackie
Communication Equipment	Sgt. John Zoligus	Fugitive Task Force	U.S. Marshal
Community Events	Chief Wentz Lt. Mackie	Juvenile Diversion	Sgt. John Zoligus
Computers (In-House)	Mr. Jay Mutter	Logistics & Supplies	Officer Brian Zajac
Computers (MDTs)	Sgt. John Zoligus	Physical Fitness	Lt. Jamie Mackie
Crash Statistician	Lt. Jamie Mackie	Public Speakers Bureau	Chief Mark Wentz
Crisis Intervention Team	Lt. Jamie Mackie	Records Requests / Police Files	Lisa Thellmann
D.A.R.E.	Summit County Sheriff	Safety Town	Officer Brian Zajac
Dispatch Liaison	Sgt. John Zoligus	Seat Belt Safety	Sgt. John Zoligus
Departmental Training	Chief Wentz Lt. Mackie	Side Job Coordinator	Lt. Jamie Mackie
Detective Bureau	Lt. Jamie Mackie	"Take Me Home" Program	Chief Mark Wentz
Evidence Room	Det. Edward Carlile	Traffic Enforcement Unit	Sgt. John Zoligus
Exposure Control	Sgt. A. Urbanowicz	Vehicle Maintenance	Sgt. John Zoligus



Police Budgetary Matters

Over the past several years, we have made a concerted effort to streamline the budgetary process into a workable and manageable, yet comprehensive work product.

In 2010, the Police Department's budgetary allocation of \$992,600.00 was not exceeded – a tenth consecutive year. At year's end, we spent \$973,660.63, leaving an unexpended balance of \$18,939.37, which was rolled back into the General Fund.



Category	Appropriated	Spent	Unexpended
Salaries & Wages	623,307.00	620,135.48	3,171.52
Personnel Benefits	170,898.00	170,700.00	197.28
Uniforms & Clothing	15,500.00	12,424.66	3,075.34
Contractual Services	94,525.00	89,237.43	5,287.57
Supplies & Materials	52,800.00	46,897.31	5,902.69
Capital Outlay	35,570.00	34,265.03	1,304.97
TOTAL	\$992,600.00	\$973,660.63	\$18,939.37



Police Grants

In 2010, the Police Department made application for several grants. While not successful in obtaining all that we requested, we still feel fortunate to have been awarded two ELSAG license plate readers, a Mobile Ident II Rapid ID Unit, and others described below.



Grant	Item / Purpose	Amount	Result
Justice Department COPS Recovery Grant	Maintain Police Personnel	3-Years \$612,000.00	No
Justice Department Bulletproof Vest Grant	Police Body Armor	50% of \$4,406.26	Yes – Received \$2,203.13
Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention	Mobile Ident II Rapid ID Unit	\$2,100.00 No Match	Yes – Received One Unit
State of Ohio Homeland Security	ELSAG License Plate Reader	\$34,000.00 No Match	Yes – Received Two Units
Justice Assistance Grant Special Solicitation for LE	New Cruiser and Equipment	\$30,000.00 No Match	Unknown - TBA February 2011
Ohio Dept. of Youth Services Grant	Endangered Youths Program	\$300.00 Training Reimbursement	Yes – Received \$300.00



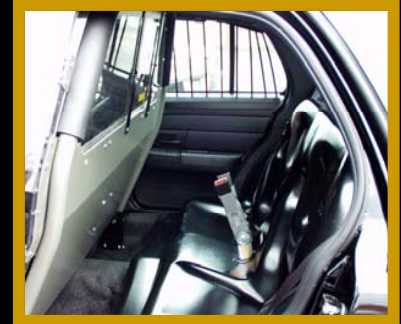
Police Cruiser Fleet



Sgt. John Zoligus
Fleet Supervisor

Sgt. Zoligus provides for the fleet maintenance and oversees all repairs, installment of new equipment, coordinates new equipment purchases, manages changeover from old to new cruiser, and handles all billing associated with vehicle maintenance.

This is an ongoing and burdensome assignment, but Sgt. Zoligus' conscientious management is directly responsible for the high level of safety and dependability that we currently enjoy with our fleet.





Police Cruiser Fleet

The maintenance of our fleet is critical to police operations. We purchase an average of one vehicle per year as part of our routine annual replacement schedule. Our fleet is currently comprised of four marked patrol cruisers: Cars 830, 832, 834, and 836; one unmarked detective bureau car, 838; and one forfeited 2000 GMC Yukon assigned to the Chief of Police, 840.

Cruiser No.	Cruiser Year, Make & Model	Beginning Mileage	Ending Mileage	Miles Driven	Repair Costs
830**	2009 Ford Crown Vic	18,951	32,336	13,385	\$720.32
832	2010 Ford Crown Vic	698	26,790	26,092	\$1,158.33
834	2008 Ford Crown Vic	63,604	93,720	30,116	\$3,281.38
836	2008 Ford Crown Vic	39,942	58,192	18,878	\$3,512.38
838 - DB	2006 Ford Crown Vic	104,647	110,851	6,204	\$1,238.61
840 - Chief	2000 GMC Yukon	134,537	153,210	18,673	\$638.14

2010 TOTAL REPAIR COSTS ► \$10,549.16

**Car 830 taken out of service on 11/05/2010 after totaled out in single car accident. Replaced with new 2010 Ford Crown Vic, which was put into service at start of 2011.

We spent \$6,129.29 on cruiser supplies and also purchased five (5) new portable radios at a cost of \$3,924.00 from the vehicle maintenance budget.

January 1 – December 31

Fuel Costs: \$33,805.23

Gallons: 13,388.11

Average Price: \$2.692

Transactions: 1,167



Community Programs

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Take Me Home

D.A.R.E.

Drug Abuse
Resistance Education
Summit County Sheriff

Juvenile Diversion

Safety Town

Vacation | House Watch

Halloween Fright Night

Shop With A Cop

In our quest to promote a community-oriented policing environment, the Northfield Village Police Department have enhanced our visibility through a variety of community-based programs. Community-oriented policing is not a program whose purpose and life run their course and slowly fades. It is an ongoing, committed effort to establish, develop, maintain, and enhance an atmosphere of two-way communication between a community and its police department, whereby a collaborative partnership is created.

The Northfield Village Police Department currently offers a variety of community-oriented programs for the purpose of promoting a positive relationship between the police department and the community, which is vital to the welfare, safety, and security of our community and its residents.

In addition to our structured programs, our officers are continually available to the many community-based organizations and to the entire Nordonia Hills School District for speaking engagements and presentations that continue to be both instrumental and invaluable for our positive interaction with the community.

The programs to the left are those we have either initiated through our own efforts and continue to maintain, or those developed elsewhere in which we actively participate. Several of the programs are highlighted in the following slides.



“Take Me Home”



The Take Me Home program is sponsored by Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh and Sheriff Drew Alexander. Established in 2007, the program consists of a database of individuals who may have trouble communicating their name and where they live – such as individuals with autism, non-verbal individuals with cognitive disabilities, or senior citizens with dementia or Alzheimer’s. The Take Me Home database contains a photo, identifying characteristics, and contact information. It is a valuable tool for law enforcement agencies as well as families and caregivers.

In the event a person is lost or separated from their loved ones, a search of the database, based on the individual's characteristics, will allow law enforcement personnel to match their Take Me Home record to their contact information. *Only law enforcement personnel can access the Take Me Home database.*

Registration is free, and simple. For registration information, go to:



www.co.summit.oh.us/Prosecutor
www.co.summit.oh.us/Sheriff

Look for the “Take Me Home” logo.

You may also call the Northfield Village Police Department, who can help with registration.



Juvenile Diversion

J.U.R.Y. | Juvenile Uplifted to Responsible Youths



This program became fully operational in 2003 and has shown to be a successful alternative to Juvenile Court for youths from our community who commit a minor offense for the first time.

In the program, juvenile offenders are dealt with on an “unofficial” basis through a hearing with the police department’s Juvenile Officer. During this hearing, a contract is established with the cooperation of the juvenile’s parents that is aimed at eradicating the delinquent or unruly behavior. Our available options, which can be utilized to achieve great levels of success in changing negative behavior, can include community service work and counseling. Three Village juveniles participated in the program in 2010, while several other cases that were received toward the end of 2010 will be carried over into 2011.

Sgt. John Zoligus directs the Juvenile Diversion Program and is assisted by Juvenile Officer Brian Zajac.



D.A.R.E. / DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION

The Northfield Village Police Department is a strong advocate of the D.A.R.E (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Program. It was originally designed through a cooperative partnership between educators and the law enforcement community in Los Angeles, California in 1983. Soon afterwards, its value was recognized by others and extended itself across the United States. It is now a staple of the educational process in this country. This year, across the country, more than 25 million children will benefit from the program. Many more millions will benefit from G.R.E.A.T (Gang Resistance Education and Training). In Summit County, officers from the Summit County Sheriff's Office have taught the D.A.R.E program since 1991. This program is offered to over 7000 children in five school districts and many parochial schools each year.

Currently, the Summit County Sheriff's Office provides five different instructional programs from Pre-Kindergarten through Seventh Grade. The veteran deputies assigned to teach the programs are **Deputies Dave Andrews, Leigh Burdette** and **Sue Wigington**. These officers bring their experience and commitment into the classroom, instructing children in ways to resist peer pressure and to live productive drug and violence-free lives. The officers are proud to present these high quality educational programs to the children of Summit County, including Lee Eaton Elementary School in Northfield Village.





Safety Town



A joint venture between the Macedonia YMCA, the Rotary Club, and local law enforcement agencies, the Safety Town Program is an annual summer event in which a police officer pays a visit to our youngsters who are being taught basic street safety skills in a fun-filled atmosphere. The officer participates with Safety Town instructors at their request.

Besides teaching basic traffic safety, the officer's involvement generally includes a hands-on, up-close and personal look at the police cruiser and at the officer's personal belt gear. The youngster's curiosity and fascination are satisfied and they are provided with a positive sense of the police service. Friendships developed at this young age with an officer can be long lasting, if not lifelong.





Vacation / House Watch



The Vacation/House Watch Program continues to be utilized by many residents of the Village. Residents only have to come to the police department and complete a House Watch form to specify when they will be away from home and the police department does the rest. The information is maintained at two locations: the Macedonia Police Dispatch Center and in a special “House Checks” binder kept at the police station. Additional police surveillance is then provided for these residents’ homes during their absence.

The program is designed to accommodate short-term vacationers (30 days or less) versus those departing the area for secondary residences elsewhere, but will be extended for those anticipating absences of longer than 30 days. Our suggestion to them, however, is to coordinate security checks with neighbors, family members, or a private security service.

In either case, we encourage our residents to complete a Vacation/House Watch form to guarantee the police department has emergency information ready at hand. In 2010, we assisted 21 village residents with house watches and logged 756 house checks with no reported incidents.



Halloween Fright Night



In 2001 we took a long, hard look at how to introduce ourselves to the public and to let them see that we're there for them. One of the first initiatives we came up with was a community Halloween "Fright Night" Party. Each year on Halloween night, the police garage becomes home to life-size mechanical monsters, scary backdrops, a creepy cornfield and "Dawn of the Dead" cemetery. Police officers and community leaders are present to greet-and-meet our young and old residents and everyone in between. Everyone is treated to an assortment of hot and cold drinks, hot dogs and pizzas, bags of candy, a large array of cookies and bakery, area store coupons, and other devilish delights donated by local businesses and caring residents.

Sponsored by the Village, local businesses, and hosted by the Police Department, this community get-together has become the talk of the town. In year one, we played host to about fifty children and their parents. In succeeding years, the numbers of ghosts and goblin increased steadily, culminating in 2010 with over 350 children and adults stopping by during the three hours we are open to the public. The annual event is covered by the local news media.

If you've never stopped by, please do. It's great fun for the whole family and a chance to rub elbows with your neighbors, police officers, and community leaders.



Halloween Fright Night

Business Sponsors and Friends

BUSINESS SPONSORS & DONATIONS

Northfield Park
Moose Lodge 2156
Spennato's Restaurant
McDonald's Restaurant
Wendy's Restaurant
Chick-fil-A Restaurant
Little Caesar's Pizza
Sweetheart USA
Northfield Sunoco
Northfield Circle K
Pepper's Market
Lowe's

Fun'n'Stuff
Sam's Club
Halloween City
Cell City
Mixer's
Balloon Sculptures.com, Inc.
Foremost Solutions
Petitti's Garden Center
Final Touch Landscaping
Kim's Kitchen
Better Letters & Garphics, Inc.
b.a. Sweetie Candy Company

VOLUNTEERS & DONATIONS

Anita Swensen
Geri Wentz
Linda Downey
William Downey, Jr.
Sam Harbie
Carol Pennington
Richard & Doris Wolfe
Patricia Szilagyi
Shawn McCormick
Kim Hebebrand
Roy Meadows
Chuck Meadows

Mayor Victor Milani
Council President Bea Greenlee
Councilwoman Linda Bowen
Councilwoman Karyn Selle
Councilman Jesse Nehez
Councilman John Bolek
Finance Director Bob Riedel
Admin. Clerk Lisa Rodriguez
Clerk of Court Lisa Thellmann
Northfield Village Service Dept.
Northfield Village Police Dept.
Fire Lieutenant Scott Selle





Shop With A Cop

Shop With A Cop joins underprivileged children with local police officers, providing the children with \$100.00 gift cards to shop for Christmas presents for their families and themselves.

The Richfield Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 66 is the proud sponsor of the annual Shop With a Cop event in our area. In 2010, twenty-seven police agencies in Summit County, including the Northfield Village Police Department, provided deserving, area children a happy holiday.

Lt. Jamie Mackie and Sgt. John Zolcus coordinate the Northfield Village Police Department's participation in this very worthwhile community program.

On December 11, 2010, 220 police officers and volunteers joined 305 children for a morning snack, then escorted them in marked police cruisers, complete with lights and sirens, to a fun-filled morning of shopping for Christmas presents at Wal-Mart. Afterwards, they shared a breakfast buffet and assisted the children in wrapping their presents before the officers transported them back to their homes.

2010 Shop With a Cop on YouTube! Right [Click Here](#) and click Open Hyperlink.





Police Department Activity Summary

Month	Calls for Service	Traffic Stops	Citations Issued	Misdemeanor Arrests	Felony Arrests	Total Criminal Arrests
January	713	196	97	13	0	13
February	655	166	82	4	7	11
March	688	184	91	6	2	8
April	685	261	118	0	5	5
May	641	238	140	9	10	19
June	692	272	128	5	0	5
July	696	271	117	11	3	14
August	635	214	104	12	2	14
September	538	207	122	21	6	27
October	605	250	136	15	2	17
November	562	229	100	6	3	9
December	547	169	71	0	1	1
2010 TOTAL	7,657	2,657	1,306	102	41	143



Officer Activity Summary

Full-time Officer	Traffic	Criminal	Part-time Officer	Traffic	Criminal
801 Chief Mark Wentz	1	0	807 Officer Stephen Van Ness*	17	2
802 Lt. Jamie Mackie	9	3	809 Officer Joe McFeely*	17 – 1 OVI	0
803 Sgt. Anthony Urbanowicz	64 – 6 OVI	22	811 Officer Matthew Grams	77	6
805 Sgt. John Zoligus	17	1	812 Officer James Catania	64	0
804 Officer Brian Zambach	77	7	815 Officer Paul Norton*	0	0
808 Officer Daniel Kozar	371 – 4 OVI	26	819 Officer Michael Smith	148 – 4 OVI	10
810 Officer Ryan Kaetzel	106 – 4 OVI	18	820 Officer Warren Olesinski*	80 – 1 OVI	0
814 Detective Edward Carlile*	3	16	TOTAL ►		1,306
816 Officer Brian Zajac	106 – 4 OVI	20			
818 Officer Fred Jones	149	12			

* Det. Carlile worked four uniformed patrol shifts in 2010.

OVI – Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated

- * Officer Van Ness joined the Department in October 2010.
- * Officer McFeely joined the Department in March 2010.
- * Officer Norton retired in September 2010.
- * Officer Olesinski joined the Department in February 2010.



Patrol Division Arrests Report

The following is a brief summary of some of the arrests made by the Patrol Division in 2010.

■ JANUARY

On January 15, 2010, Sgt. Anthony Urbanowicz, along with mutual aid units from Macedonia and Walton Hills PD's, responded to a fight in progress involving multiple participants at Smith Park. A number of the participants were gone on arrival and others were attempting to leave when Sgt. Urbanowicz headed off one of the vehicles and stopped it. Through his follow-up investigation, it was determined that the participants, all female juveniles, were involved in a pre-arranged fight that was to take place at Smith Park between two girls, but one which quickly escalated to a fight between multiple female juveniles on both sides. The three female juveniles on scene had visible facial/head injuries and were tended to by NVFD personnel. Two were later transported to the ER for treatment.

Follow-up investigation by Sgt. Urbanowicz revealed that as many as twelve juvenile females may have been ultimately involved, along with two juvenile males who allegedly showed up to film the pre-planned altercation. All of the juveniles attended Nordonia High School. In the end, Sgt. Urbanowicz arrested the two main female combatants, 15 and 16 years old. Both were charged with disorderly conduct. Their cases were forwarded to our Juvenile Diversion Program for adjudication.

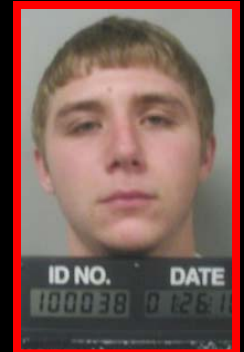
Sgt. Urbanowicz was assisted by Officers Dan Kozar and Ryan Kaetzel



Patrol Division Arrests Report

■ JANUARY

On January 26, 2010, officers responded to Rosewood Avenue in regards to four youths impeding vehicular travel on the street and for assaulting a Rosewood resident after a verbal confrontation. Village residents, DAVID ULRICH III, age 19 (near right) and CODY BARTLETT, age 18, (far right) were arrested and charged with assault, as was a 17-year-old juvenile. Another 17-year-old juvenile was charged with obstructing official business. Ulrich and Bartlett appeared before the Mayor's Court, while the two juvenile cases were forwarded to Summit County Juvenile Court. This case was handled by Officers Dan Kozar, Fred Jones, and Michael Smith.



■ FEBRUARY

Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office sent over a "tip" sheet with information on HAROLD E. BOHRER III, wanted on a first degree felony drug offenses. The suspect was purportedly living on Heights Avenue. Det. Carlile recognized the male's photo as the same suspect seen in surveillance films for similar crimes involving presenting fraudulent prescriptions to obtain dangerous drugs at our CVS Pharmacy and at the one in Northfield Center. Given the serious nature of the matter, Det. Carlile contacted the U.S. Marshal Fugitive Task Force, of which he is a member, to assist in the arrest. Five team members arrived and the suspect was arrested in the basement of a Heights Avenue address. This matter was handled by Chief Mark Wentz, Officer Matthew Grams, and Det. Edward Carlile.





Patrol Division Arrests Report

■ MARCH

TIMOTHY J. GEIGER, age 19, was charged with assorted misdemeanor traffic violations and felony criminal charges after leading Northfield Village, Macedonia, and Walton Hills on a high-speed pursuit through the three communities.



On March 22, 2010 at 1511 hrs., Macedonia dispatch received a call from Geiger's girlfriend that Timothy may be in the area looking for another male, who she told Geiger had sexually assaulted her. Fearing that Timothy may be armed, she called the police. Dispatch radioed his information to the cars. A short time later, Officer Michael Smith spotted Geiger's vehicle on Northfield Road. When the vehicle pulled onto North Plaza drive, Smith followed the vehicle, but did not attempt to make a stop on it at that moment. The vehicle then suddenly accelerated, turned left onto Huntington and began running the stop signs. Smith activated his lights and siren, but the driver refused to stop. Other area police units joined in the pursuit, but the driver fled the area, reaching speeds of 70 mph on area side streets and 100 mph on Northfield Road. The pursuit was terminated for safety reasons and because positive identification was made on the driver. Officer Smith was commended by Sgt. Zolcus for the skill he demonstrated and safety measures he took during the pursuit.

Geiger turned himself in on March 23, 2010 at Macedonia. Geiger was charged with Willful & Wanton Disregard and felony Failure to Comply with Police Order.



Patrol Division Arrests Report

■ MAY

GREGORY JOHN MISNIK (left), age 57, was arrested for Receiving Stolen Property / Motor Vehicle by Officer Michael Smith after a random registration check on the plate revealed he was operating an entered stolen car from Cleveland. The gold colored 2001 Cadillac DeVille had been stolen from in front of the victim's home in Cleveland on April 26, 2010.



At the time of the stop the vehicle was occupied by Misnik and JERRY DELANO DOTSON. Misnik is a May Avenue resident and Dotson is from Oakwood. During his conversation with Officer Smith and Officer Dan Kozar, Misnik alleged the car had been brought in for repairs about a month earlier to his shop in Oakwood and that he was only test driving it on this date. Unable to make contact with anyone at the shop for confirmation, Smith impounded the vehicle and had it towed to Interstate Towing for safekeeping. Cleveland PD later confirmed the car as an active stolen from their city and provided ownership information. The owner came to the station the following day and gave a written statement in regards to the vehicle theft. The following day, Misnik was arrested at the body shop in Oakwood and Dotson at his home. Both were charged with felony RSP Motor Vehicle. Dotson was also charged with Obstructing Official Business for lying as to his identity at the time of the stop. Both subjects were processed and transported to Summit County Jail. Their cases were presented to the Summit County Grand Jury in May, 2010.



Patrol Division Arrests Report

■ AUGUST



Officer Brian Zajac and Lt. Jamie Mackie arrested CHARLES E. MISERENDINO on Domestic Violence, Felonious Assault, and Criminal Trespass charges after he assaulted his wife by punching her in the face and choked a Milford Avenue resident into unconsciousness on August 19, 2010. The officers are commended for the handling of a difficult situation and the professionalism they displayed as they controlled the scene, effected an arrest, and calmed the couple's young children who were present and screaming hysterically upon their arrival. Miserendino was arrested and charged accordingly. He was remanded to the custody of the Summit County indictment.

■ SEPTEMBER

Officer Daniel Kozar attempted to stop a black Ford Mustang being driven by SCOTT B. DIEHL (right) for left of center and possible OVI. The driver fled from the officer and a pursued ensued through the Village, Macedonia, Oakwood, and Twinsburg. Twinsburg successfully used stop sticks to puncture the Mustang's two front tires, but the suspect continued fleeing from the officers until he became cornered on a cul-de-sac in Twinsburg. He resisted and had to be tasered to gain control of him. Diehl was charged with Failure to Comply to a Police Order (Fleeing & Eluding), Resisting Arrest, and Left of Center.





Patrol Division Arrests Report

■ NOVEMBER

Officers responded to a road rage assault that had occurred at the intersection of Ledge Road and State Route 8. The victim, who was bleeding profusely from a head wound when he was struck with some type of club or woodenstick (later determined to be a broomstick handle), was taken to the Sagamore Hills Medial Center for treatment. The suspect had fled prior to the officers arrival. The victim was able to describe the suspect, his clothing, the suspect's vehicle (a Black Cadillac CTS, 4 dr.), and give a partial license plate.

Det. Carlile and Officer Warren Olesinski searched for the suspect's vehicle based on the partial license plate configuration provided by the victim. After hours of searching, Officer Olesinski found a possible match and followed up on the vehicle owner, JAMES ELMORE, JR.

The victim later selected the vehicle owner's picture from a photo line-up. That identification, alongwith a distintive workplace jacket the suspect was wearing at the time of the assult, led the officers to the Ford plant in Walton Hills, where Officer Olesinski spotted the suspect's vehicle parked in the lot. He photographed it and relayed the information to Det. Carlile.

James was later arrested at his Bedford Hts. address. The vehicle, however, was not there. During his interview, James told the officers he had hidden the vehicle at his sister's home. It was located in a garage, covered over with a tarp that concealed the rear of the vehicle and the license plate.

James was charged with Felonious Assault. His case was forwarded to the Summit County Grand Jury for indictment.





OVI / Driving Under the Influence Arrests

In 2010 the Northfield Village Police Department arrested 24 persons for Operating a Vehicle While Under the Influence (OVI) of Alcohol and/or Drugs. Of those 24, nine refused to be tested and one had blood drawn for drugs.

The Northfield Village Police Department employs the INTOXILYZER 5000 instrument for breath testing.

The following is a brief summary of the OVI arrest totals for 2010.



■ HIGHEST BAC CHEMICAL TESTS

October 3

BAC – 0.263%

Arrest by Officer Brian Zajac

September 12

BAC – 0.224%

Arrest by Officer Michael Smith

July 15

BAC – 0.221%

Arrest by Officer Daniel Kozar

July 31

BAC – 0.214%

Arrest by Sgt. Tony Urbanowicz



OVI BAC Tests Results

DATE OF TEST	ARRESTING OFFICER	BAC TEST RESULT	DATE OF TEST	ARRESTING OFFICER	BAC TEST RESULT
02/28/2010	Officer Brian Zajac	REFUSAL	08/28/2010	Officer Michael Smith	0.140
03/07/2010	Officer Brian Zajac	REFUSAL	09/11/2010	Sgt. Tony Urbanowicz	0.102
05/02/2010	Officer Ryan Kaetzel	REFUSAL	09/12/2010	Officer Michael Smith	0.224
05/15/2010	Sgt. Tony Urbanowicz	0.106	09/16/2010	Sgt. Tony Urbanowicz	0.133
05/23/2010	Officer Ryan Kaetzel	0.089	10/03/2010	Officer Brian Zajac	0.263
07/15/2010	Officer Daniel Kozar	0.221	10/04/2010	Officer Ryan Kaetzel	0.000
07/22/2010	Sgt. Tony Urbanowicz	0.145	11/27/2010	Officer Daniel Kozar	REFUSAL
07/31/2010	Sgt. Tony Urbanowicz	0.214	11/28/2010	Officer Brian Zajac	0.125
08/07/2010	Officer Joe McFeely	0.170	11/29/2010	Officer Michael Smith	REFUSAL
08/07/2010	Officer Daniel Kozar	REFUSAL	12/05/2010	Officer Daniel Kozar	REFUSAL
08/08/2010	Officer Warren Olesinski	REFUSAL	12/18/2010	Sgt. Tony Urbanowicz	0.135
08/09/2010	Officer Michael Smith	REFUSAL	12/19/2010	Officer Ryan Kaetzel	0.181

** Blood Test for Drugs – Negative Results



Juvenile Crimes & Complaints

In 2010 the Northfield Village Police Department made 21 juvenile arrests and wrote 33 juvenile traffic offenses. This reflects a nearly 33% decrease in criminal offenses and approximately a 25% increase in traffic violations over the previous two years. Three cases were directed to our Juvenile Diversion Program, where the juveniles performed 20 hours of community service within the Village. Another three cases were transferred into NVPD from other agencies.



CRIMINAL OFFENSES

- Assault – 1
- Criminal Trespass – 1
- Criminal Mischief – 2
- Curfew Violation – 1
- Disorderly Conduct – 2
- Obstructing Official Business – 3
- Possession of Drugs – 3
- Possession of Drug paraphernalia – 3
- Prohibitions – 2
- Open Container – 1
- Underage Possession of Cigarettes - 2

TRAFFIC OFFENSES

- Assured Clear Distance (ACDC) – 1
- Display of License – 1
- Display of License Plate – 1
- Driving Under Suspension – 2
- Driving Without Headlights – 1
- Expired License Plates – 1
- Failure to Yield Turning Left – 1
- No Operator's License / Canceled OL – 2
- Seat Belt – 3
- Speeding – 15
- Stop Sign – 1
- Turn Signal Required – 1
- Taillight Illumination – 1
- U-Turn Prohibited – 2



Domestic Violence & Disputes

In 2010 the Police Department responded to 11 Domestic Violence calls and 9 Domestic Disputes. This reflects a marginal increase in Domestic Violence calls (up 2) from 2009, but a more than 50% drop in Disputes – 9 vs. 19 .



Month	Domestic Violence	Domestic Disputes
January	2	1
February	1	1
March	1	1
April	0	1
May	0	0
June	0	2
July	2	2
August	2	0
September	2	0
October	0	0
November	0	0
December	1	1
2010 TOTAL	11	9



Traffic Accidents Report

PUBLIC PROPERTY & STREETS

WITH INJURY	WITHOUT INJURY	TOTAL
3	46	49
HIT-SKIPS SOLVED	HIT-SKIPS UNSOLVED	TOTAL
4	9	13

PRIVATE PROPERTY

WITH INJURY	WITHOUT INJURY	TOTAL
0	31	31
HIT-SKIPS SOLVED	HIT-SKIPS UNSOLVED	TOTAL
3	10	13





Detective Bureau Report

Submitted by Detective Edward Carlile

While the Detective Bureau has been responsible for a large number of cases throughout 2010, there have been several noteworthy investigations that deserve mention. However, to preserve the integrity of active cases, please note that the following report is not intended to be an all-inclusive report, but merely a summary of some of the activities of the Detective Bureau during the year. Additionally, the Detective Bureau assisted other agencies on numerous occasions, leading to the arrests of multiple subjects wanted for major felonies. In 2010, the Detective Bureau investigated the following crimes:

Case Type / Crime	Cases Investigated	Cases Solved	Final Dispositions
Burglary	4	1	1 Arrest / 3 Open
Drug Trafficking	2	2	2 Arrests
Identity Fraud	5	5	5 Arrests
Misuse of Credit Cards	3	3	3 Arrests
Passing Bad Checks	9	9	7 Arrests / 2 Warran.
Rape	1	1	1 Arrest / 24 Yrs.
Sudden Deaths	3	N/A	Natural Deaths
Vandalism	3	3	1 Juvenile Arrest

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Detective Bureau Report



A second March case was a burglary that occurred at the Northfield East/West Apartments. After a lengthy investigation it was determined that a family member, **DAVID A. McKEETON III**, was responsible for the burglary. Surveillance was conducted on a home in Garfield Heights., where the suspect was said to be living. Several days into the surveillance, the suspect was observed leaving from the house and was apprehended a short distance away. During his interrogation McKeeton admitted to the burglary. He was convicted of burglary.



In June, a gave information to the Detective Bureau about a known drug dealer. The dealer was allegedly trafficking in cocaine and marihuana. According to the informant, the brought into the Village from Garfield Heights and sold locally at a business. The dealer was also selling in Garfield Heights. Our agency coordinated with the SEALE Narcotics Task Force and conducted an undercover drug operation for two months, leading to the arrest and conviction of the dealer, **ANDREW COLLINS** (left). Collins is set to be sentenced in January 2011 on multiple felony narcotic offenses.



In July the Detective Bureau received information through a confidential informant of a drug dealer working our area. **ANDREW DILLON** (left) was accused of trafficking in cocaine, heroine, marihuana, and various types of prescription pain pills in the Village and Twinsburg. Over the next two months, Northfield Village and Twinsburg Police Departments combined their efforts and conducted an undercover operation that led to Dillon's arrest. Dillon was to appear for trial in Summit County this past December, but failed to appear and has purportedly fled Ohio. Felony warrants have been issued for his arrest in Summit and Cuyahoga counties.



Detective Bureau Report

Throughout the months of May, June, and July 2010, there were numerous reports of vandalism occurring at Smith Park in the Village. After a lengthy investigation, a male juvenile resident was arrested and formally charged. The juvenile was found to be responsible for all of the damages that occurred during that time span at the park and was recommended to the Northfield Village Juvenile Diversion Program, J.U.R.Y. (Juveniles Uplifted to Responsible Youths). His parents were held financially responsible for restitution for the damages. After his arrest, there were no further incidents of vandalism or damage to property in the park.

- END OF BUREAU REPORT -





Prisoner Housing & Medical Care

MACEDONIA CITY JAIL

Housing Period	Prisoners	Days Served	Costs
January 1 – June 30	12	39.0	\$3,475.00
July 1 – December 31	5	9.5	\$837.50
TOTAL	17	48.5	\$4,312.50

Includes 3 Video Arraignments from jail to Stow Municipal Court



MEDICAL FACILITIES

Facility	No. of Prisoners Treated	Costs
Oriana House	0 Prisoners	\$0.00
Sagamore Medical Center	0 Prisoners	\$0.00
Akron Hospital / Lab	1 Prisoner (OVI – Blood)	\$100.00





Mayor's Court Activity Report

Month	Traffic	Criminal	Convicted	Dismissed at CC	Dismissed	Transfer to Other Court	Bench Warrants
January	95	10	21	3	9	5	16
February	89	2	31	3	11	1	16
March	90	6	27	1	7	0	9
April	103	0	32	3	9	0	6
May	120	10	23	1	11	8	6
June	116	3	35	0	12	7	9
July	121	11	31	2	13	5	6
August	107	13	33	0	12	3	19
September	112	11	39	4	20	0	8
October	116	15	41	3	10	2	11
November	96	7	34	4	21	0	15
December	57	3	10	3	6	1	16
TOTAL	1,222	91	357	27	141	32	137



Mayor's Court Financial Report

Month	Northfield with Misc.	State of Ohio	Capital Recovery, Restitution & Others	External Agencies	2010 Total Monthly Revenue
January	12,121.56	2,841.00	72.50	0.00	15,035.06
February	19,524.68	3,606.00	1,566.60	0.00	24,697.28
March	16,574.46	3,679.00	285.40	0.00	20,538.86
April	13,787.17	3,581.00	187.20	0.00	17,555.37
May	16,122.31	4,264.00	185.90	0.00	20,572.21
June	16,070.59	4,341.00	138.90	0.00	20,550.49
July	15,325.13	4,431.00	272.10	0.00	20,028.23
August	18,159.53	3,715.00	513.30	0.00	22,387.83
September	18,707.42	4,358.00	89.00	0.00	23,154.42
October	15,259.47	3,868.00	136.00	0.00	19,295.47
November	15,682.20	3,522.00	108.21	0.00	19,312.41
December	12,248.81	2,124.00	0.00	0.00	14,372.81
TOTAL	\$189,615.33	\$44,330.00	\$3,551.11	\$0.00	\$237,500.44



In Memory of Our Fellow Fallen Officers

Northfield Village Police Department
2010 Annual Report

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Lest they be forgotten ...



Twinsburg Officer
JOSHUA MIKTARIAN



*Shot and killed in
the line-of-duty
July 13, 2008.*



He was 33 years old.



Boston Heights Officer
JARROD DEAN



*Struck and killed in
the line-of-duty
January 19, 2009.*



He was 24 years old.



Elyria Officer
JAMES KERSTETTER



*Shot and killed in
the line-of-duty
March 15, 2010.*



He was 43 years old.



Cleveland Heights Officer
THOMAS PATTON II



*Suffered fatal heart attack
chasing a suspect on
March 13, 2010.*



He was 30 years old.