

# Waunakee Police Department Newsletter October 2018



## Citizen's Academy



On 9-26-18, members of the citizen's academy had the opportunity to drive WNPD squad cars at Madison International Speedway. Academy members participated in an EVOC (Emergency Vehicle Operation and Control) course and learned some of the basics of vehicle contact procedures.



## Halloween Safety

Halloween Trick or Treating will be on Wednesday, October 31 from 5 – 7 pm. Please drive extra cautious in the neighborhoods and watch out for pedestrians. The following are some safety tips for parents and children

1. Teach your children how to properly cross a street. Only cross streets at crosswalks.
2. Help your child pick out or make a costume that has eye holes large enough for good peripheral vision.
3. For greater visibility during dusk and darkness, decorate or trim costumes with reflective tape that will glow in the beam of a car's headlights. Bags or sacks should also be light colored or decorated with reflective tape.
4. To easily see and be seen, children should also carry flashlights or glow sticks.
5. Costumes should be short enough to prevent children from tripping and falling.
6. If your child is carrying a prop, make sure the tips are smooth and flexible enough to not cause injury if fallen on.

7. Know the route your kids will be taking if you aren't going with them.
8. The safest idea is to have an adult accompany kids. If you're not with the kids, be sure to set a time they will be home by. Make sure they know how important it is for them to be home on time.
9. Children should not enter homes or apartments unless they are accompanied by an adult.
10. Teach your kids about not getting into strangers cars or talking to strangers, no matter what the person says to them. Explain to them as simply as you can that some adults are bad and want to hurt children, that they should never go into a house that they don't know, get into a car or go anywhere with a stranger. Also, tell them what to do should this happen, to scream as loud as they can to draw attention and to run away as fast as they can to someplace safe.



## Raking Leaves into Streets

In the interests of public safety, health and general welfare, community appearance and efficiency of operation, it shall be unlawful to rake or place fallen tree leaves or grass clippings onto the pavement or into the gutter of any public street. No person shall permit grass clippings from mower swaths to remain upon sidewalks or on abutting property owned or occupied by such person.



## Deer Crossing

The end of September kicks off a flurry of deer activity. Please make sure you watch for deer when driving especially during the early morning and late evening. Hwy 113, Woodland Dr., Hogan Rd and Arboretum Dr. and Easy St are roads where deer are commonly seen crossing the roads in Waunakee.

Wis. Statute 29.349 now allows for the possession and removal of a deer carcass from the scene of an accident once the individual notifies the DNR by calling 608-267-7691 and provides their name and address and carcass location. Tagging vehicle killed deer by law enforcement has been discontinued.



## Alternate Side Parking

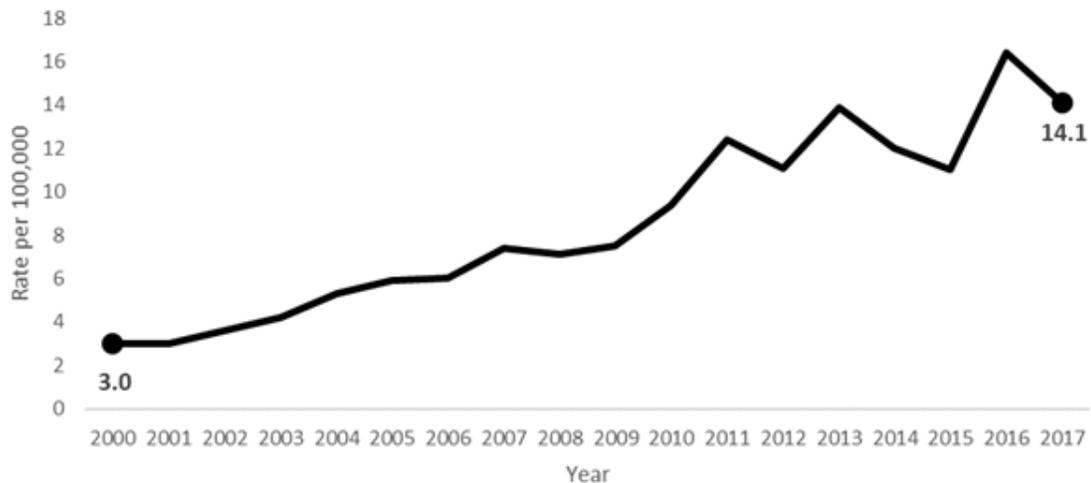
Odd-Even side parking begins in Waunakee November 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 and will end April 1<sup>st</sup> 2019. Alternate side parking is regulated between 2:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m. on Waunakee Streets. Park your vehicles so it will be on the even numbered side of the street on even numbered mornings and on the odd side of the street on odd numbered mornings unless posted otherwise.

## Opioid Overdose Information

An estimated 2.1 million people in the U.S. struggle with an opioid use disorder. Rates of opioid overdose deaths are rapidly increasing. Since 2010, the number of opioid overdose deaths has doubled from more than 21,000 to more than 42,000 in 2016, with the sharpest increase occurring among deaths related to illicitly made fentanyl and fentanyl analogs (synthetic opioids).

Opioids are a class of drugs that include medications, such as oxycodone, hydrocodone and methadone, which are commonly prescribed to treat pain, as well as illegal drugs, such as heroin.

Trend in the rate of opioid-involved overdose deaths in Dane County



Source: 2000-2016 Data Wisconsin Department of Health Services' Wisconsin Interactive Statistics on Health (WISH) Opioid Module. Available at: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/wish/opioid/index.htm>

### Signs of opioid abuse

1. Taking a substance in larger or longer amounts than intended
2. Unsuccessful efforts to curb or control substance use
3. Excess time spent obtaining, using or recovering from a substance
4. Craving or strong urge to use the substance
5. Repeat failure to fulfill work, home or school obligations
6. Continued opioid use despite related social or interpersonal problems
7. Withdrawal from social, occupational or recreational activities
8. Recurrent substance use in physically hazardous situations
9. Continued use despite a persistent physical or psychological issue
10. A need for more substance to achieve intoxication
11. Withdrawal symptoms are evident

If you know someone who is struggling with an opioid addiction urge them to seek treatment. The Safe Community Coalition of Dane County has a website for friends and family of those who are struggling with addiction. They have a drug treatment directory on the website that can assist in providing professional assistance. <https://safercommunity.net/parent-addiction-network/emergency-help/>

For more information on Prescription Pain killer abuse go to <https://doseofrealitywi.gov/> for information specially tailored for parents, students, coaches, medical professionals, educators and businesses on pain killer abuse.

## National Law Enforcement Museum

The National Law Enforcement Museum at the Motorola Solutions Foundation Building – the nation’s only museum that explores nearly every facet of American law enforcement –will open its doors to the public on Saturday, October 13 2018.

The National Law Enforcement Museum is located in Judiciary Square across from the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington D.C. and tells the story of American law enforcement by providing visitors with a “walk in the shoes” experience. It is dedicated to expanding and enriching the relationship shared by law enforcement and the community through educational journeys, immersive exhibitions and insightful programs and community partnerships.

The Museum’s collection includes more than 21,000 artifacts from every era of American law enforcement and will showcase a number of immersive, interactive exhibits designed to tell the real-life stories of officers and the citizens they serve, allowing visitors to experience the real-life world of law enforcement.

If you are planning to visit Washington D.C. in the future, consider this museum during your visit. For more information go to the museums website: <https://lawenforcementmuseum.org/>



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