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October 2016
POLICE REPORT

Vehicle Collisions

There were 4 reported collisions in October. The first collision was at the intersection of Hwy 1 & 30 Roundabout. This collision was the result of a vehicle travelling eastbound on Hwy 30 and failing to yield at the intersection of Hwy 1 while traffic was in the traffic circle. Damage was estimated at \$4,500 and minor injuries were reported in this collision. The second collision occurred at the intersection of Hwy 1 & Webster Street. This collision was the result of a vehicle failing to yield right of way from the stop sign on Webster Street, colliding with a vehicle that was northbound on 1st Avenue. Damage was estimated at \$4,000. No injuries were reported. The third collision occurred just west of the intersection of Hwy 30 & Willow Creek Rd. Linn County Sheriff's requested our department cover the collision as they were unavailable due to other calls for service. This collision was the result of a vehicle slowed for turning traffic at the intersection, being rear ended by another motorist who failed to stop in safe & assured distance. Damage was estimated at \$15,000. No injuries were reported. The fourth collision occurred the Hwy 1 & 30 Roundabout. This collision involved a semi travelling east on Hwy 30 attempting to turn South onto Hwy 1 from the wrong lane. The semi struck and damage a Yield sign. Damage was estimated at \$100.00 and no injuries reported. The driver was cited for striking fixtures upon roadway.

Incidents/Arrest

There were 30 reported incidents in October. Reports included: 2 medical assists with AED use, Theft of motor vehicle, sexual assault, criminal mischief, harassment, criminal mischief, Identity theft, stolen bike, misconduct by school employee, burglary, possession of controlled substance, theft, bad checks, OWI, public intoxication, interference with official acts, assault, and driving while suspended. The reported incidents resulted in 5 arrests for the month for driving while suspended, public intoxication, OWI, and interference with official acts.

Community Service:

- Officers partnered with US Secret Service and Marion PD-K9 on 10/13/2016 providing security for Bill Clinton's visit to Cornell College.
- Chief Shannon educated students in the MVHS Criminal Justice classes on fingerprints, and how to locate and develop fingerprints for evidence.
- Chief Shannon attend the Leadership breakfast at Cornell College on 10/6/2016
- Chief Shannon was a member of the Judges Panel for the Chili Cook-off on 10/15/16



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Training

- Chief Shannon and Officer Moel attended training at the Linn County Sheriff's Office on "Blue Courage." (Info attached)
- Our department partnered with Lisbon PD and conducted our semi-annual firearms training on 10/5/2016

GTSB

Officers worked a total of 4 hours of extra traffic enforcement for October. This traffic enforcement resulted in 1 open container violation, 3 speed violations, 1 other traffic violation, and an arrest for possession of controlled substance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Shannon
Chief of Police

What is Blue Courage?



Blue Courage is a transformational process focused on the human development of a police officer. It draws on relevant, proven literature and research on human effectiveness, positive psychology, leadership development and neuroscience. The goal is personal and cultural transformation through institutionalizing the heartset, mindset, skillset and toolset of our police officers.

- More than a class – it is a process that is internally led by each agency and not dependent on outside instructors or consultants.
- It is a blend of many disciplines drawn upon to address the “Whole Person” development, engaging the heart, mind, body and spirit.
- The process is designed to address many of the personal challenges police officers face such as: cynicism, relationships, identity, integrity, health, and stress issues.
- Takes officer survival far beyond tactical and critical incident survival and ensures the “readiness” of officers to both prevent and survive the incidents and the aftermath.
- Develops a mental toughness, allowing for the essential “resilience” officers and leaders must have.
- Develops leaders from initial academy orientation and continues throughout an officer’s career.
- Instills a sense of, and commitment to, the purpose and nobility of the policing profession to ensure an absolute service and guardian heartset.
- Develops a culture of learning, critical thinking, open mindedness, respect and intellectual curiosity.
- Develops a moral compass and the requisite courage to do the hard and right thing in any circumstance that ensures justice, fairness and ensuring legitimacy and procedural justice.
- Ensures that officers understand, embrace and embody the trusting interdependence that is essential for effective partnerships with the community and the justice system.
- Operationalizes America’s historic social contract and policing’s Peelian principles.