2014 Special Olympics Polar Plunge + “Toss our Boss”= SUCCESS!

Utilizing on-line fundraising, and events such as “Meet the K-9” and “Arrest a Fan” UWWPS unites at Freeze Fest for the 2014 Polar Plunge. With an increased motivation to “Toss our Boss” UWWPS raised approximately $4,000 for Special Olympics!

Way to Go!

Not only did our very own Chief Kiederlen hit the icy water, but so did UWWPS Sergeant Burt, Detective Servi, Officer Kersten and Officer Dan Kuehl.

Another great year MC’d by Lt. Faye Schouten….I think we can safely say…it’s a wrap!
As spring approaches, and bicycles start to become a regular form of transportation, here are some reminders to help keep you safe.

- Ride with traffic, not against it.
- Obey all traffic signals and signs.
- When riding at night wear reflective/light colored clothing.
- Have a light & reflectors on your bike.
- Always wear a helmet.
- Always lock up your bike.
- Only lock your bicycle to the bike racks located on campus. Never to lamp posts or railings.

Also, remember to register your bike with the UW-Whitewater Police Department.

From the desk of the Residence Hall Officer

Bicycle Safety Tips

UWWPS Residence Hall Officer is a unique position that acts as a liaison for students living on campus. This position allows for students to speak with an Officer when uncertain how to proceed with personal issues they may be having or that they have questions about. Such as roommate issues (domestics), thefts, harassments, personal safety and so on.

Officer Kersten spends a lot of time on programming with students in Residence Halls and has covered such topics as binge drinking, drugs, self-defense and many more.
UWWPS introduces LEAP to CSO program

Launched in 2006, LEAP challenges the traditional practice of providing liberal education to some students and narrow training to others. LEAP engages the public with core questions about what really matters in college; it connects employers and educational leaders as they make the case for the importance of liberal education in the global economy and in our diverse democracy; and helps all students achieve the essential learning outcomes. Through LEAP, AAC&U calls on the United States to "make excellence inclusive" so that all students receive the best and most powerful preparation for work, life, and citizenship.

http://aacu.org/leap/

UWWPS Sergeant Matt Schwartz, Officer Jeff Von Alven and Officer Dan Kuehl have jumped aboard the LEAP initiative and assisted UWWPS with incorporating the Campus Service Officer (CSO) program. By embracing UWWPS’s vision and mission statements with LEAP goals, UWWPS is working toward providing resume building and on job training & skills to UW–Whitewater students, to use in future employment outside of the University setting.

Even though there are 30 plus CSO’s currently working at UWWPS, very few of them have major’s in Criminal justice. However, because of LEAP’s goals and guidelines we are able to give a diverse population of students an opportunity for employment.

Incorporating LEAP has also afforded new positions to be created, such as “Head” or Lead positions. This allows for CSO’s who qualify to be put into a management role. “Head” CSO’s work with scheduling or training peers, squad and CSO vehicle maintenance and or other duties as assigned.

UWWPS’s New CSO Vehicle

CSO Kari Schoenike assisting with a night time vehicle unlock.

CSO Schoenike and CSO Lilly Gonzalez during night patrol duties.

Kudos to Stephen Hanekamp, Police Officer, and Matthew Kiederlen, Chief of Police Services, who were recently awarded a $10,490 Wisconsin Department of Transportation grant. The purpose of this project is to implement the Traffic and Criminal Software, an automated reporting system for law enforcement at UW-Whitewater.

Officer Steve Hanekamp

UWWPS Staff to be certified AHA Instructors

UW-Whitewater Police Services will soon have most staff certified as American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) Instructors.

In conjunction with Fort Atkinson Memorial Hospital, staff has had opportunity to become certified to assist with BLS classes that are being offered throughout the area.

Currently, approximately half of the staff are certified instructors. The remaining staff will complete the training this Spring.
More from Polar Plunge 2014

Detective Cal Servi Plunges with “Team Enforcement”

Willy Warhawk strikes a pose with Officer Steve Hanekamp

UWWPS take the plunge!

Chief is still smiling...just wait to see what 2015 brings!

Lt. Faye Schouten