



Safety First

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Drunk Driving-Over the Limit. Under Arrest



Arrest will combine high-visibility law enforcement through Labor Day with a federally funded media campaign to deter impaired driving.

Because drunk drivers are deadly threats not just to themselves, but also to everyone on the road, driving while impaired is not a victimless crime. Last year, alcohol-related crashes in Wisconsin killed 305 people and injured nearly 6,000. A person is killed or injured in alcohol-related crash in Wisconsin approximately every 88 minutes, according to the Wisconsin State Patrol Bureau of Transportation Safety.

When we stop a drunk driver, we don't give warnings or accept excuses. If you're over the limit, you'll be arrested. Impaired driving will cost you your license and an enormous amount of money for fines, court costs, increased insurance premiums and other expenses. If you refuse a blood or breath alcohol test, you can lose your license on the spot and have your vehicle impounded. Repeat offenders face jail time, and if you hurt or kill someone in a crash you will face extremely serious charges, like vehicular manslaughter. The decision to drive while impaired will likely be one you'll regret the rest of your life.

Instead of risking an arrest for impaired driving, UW- Whitewater Police Officers offer the following suggestions:

- *Choose a sober designated driver before partying.*
- *If you're feeling buzzed, you probably are over the 0.08 (alcohol concentration) limit and should not drive.*
- *Take mass transit, a taxicab or ask a sober friend to drive you home.*
- *Some taverns and restaurants have programs to provide patrons with a safe ride home.*

We hope that this crackdown will voluntarily deter people from driving while impaired, but if they choose to threaten the safety of others by getting behind the wheel while impaired, we're fully prepared to get them off the road.

July Incident Summary

UW-Whitewater Police Services contacts involving an incident number being taken.

- 5 - Fire or intrusion alarm activated
- 1 - Battery investigation
- 2 - Thefts reported
- 5 - Traffic citations issued
- 3 - Assistance provided to other law enforcement agencies
- 1 - individual placed in protective custody
- 2 - Damage to property
- 1 - Sexual Assault
- 4 - Underage alcohol citations
- 1 - Check welfare of an individual

New Personnel at Police Services

Officer Debra Steger has been hired as a full time officer with our department. She comes to us with prior law enforcement experience. Deb enjoys music, martial arts and spending time with family while not on duty.

Officer Jeff VonAlven has been hired as a full time police officer with our department. Jeff graduated from UW-Whitewater and started an LTE with our department. Jeff has a wife and 2 daughters with another child on the way. Jeff enjoys music, sports and spending time with his family while off duty.

Kathleen Doering has been hired as an LTE Administrative Assistant with UWWPS. She graduated from UW-Whitewater in 2007 as a history major. She has obtained her paralegal certificate in 2008. In her off time she enjoys rutting for the Brewers and hanging out with friends.

Please welcome Deb, Jeff and Kathleen as you see them around campus.

UW-Whitewater Police Services—Feature Staff



Officer Cindy Estrup

Officer Cindy Estrup started with the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Police Department in July 2001 and currently works 7:00am – 3:00pm. Officer Estrup has extensive specialized training in the investigation of Sexual Assaults and Sensitive Crimes. Additionally, she has been a guest lecturer in several academic classes and has spoken on a plethora of topics to both students and faculty/staff. Officer Estrup provides Crime Prevention Programming and is certified to teach Emergency Vehicle Operations.

Outside of work, Officer Estrup is active in different professional and social organizations and enjoys spending time with her family and friends. Officer Estrup can be reached at 262-472-4660 or by email at estrupc@uww.edu.