

# MENOMONEE FALLS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

## SPRING 2018

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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

Message from the Chief / July 3rd Parade

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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF



**Chief Anna Ruzinski**

I need to start my message with a big THANK YOU from the Menomonee Falls Police Department. With the help of Neighborhood Watch and many of you attending the event on March 17, 2018 at Davian's, Leadership Menomonee Falls presented the department with a check for \$10,518 for our next canine officer! I continued to be honored and humbled by the outpouring of support we receive from our citizens and businesses. Our current K-9, Tyson will retire within less than 2 years so it was important for us to plan for the future of the program.

Well we finally made it through another Wisconsin Spring! As

summer approaches I want to remind everyone that we have more kids and people in general outside walking, jogging, and riding bikes so please be extra careful when driving. It has also come to our attention that some of the IRS phone scams are re-surfacing. If you receive one of these calls and they tell you to comply or local law enforcement will come and arrest you, it is a scam! Believe me when I say if we were coming to arrest you, we would not have someone call to tell you before we do it. If any of your neighbors talk about one of these calls and is not sure what to do, please let them know. Also, you can always call the police department to ask whether something is legitimate or not. Nothing should be demanded immediately and your personal or banking information should never be given over the phone without knowing who is on the other end.

You may be aware that the Governor set aside \$100 million for school safety. These funds are for grants to help schools in the State build better security around

the physical structure of the building to mitigate the loss in a mass shooting crisis. I want to assure you that Menomonee Falls Protective Services works very hard with our school district to ensure we have the best preparation in the event of a crisis. In order for schools to get any of the funds, they must work hand in hand with law enforcement to come up with plans that make sense. We have a great working relationship with the district and review plans on a regular basis. We have worked with them regarding the school grant program and fully support the requests of the School District.

I wish you all a safe and great summer. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Neighborhood Watch Picnic coming up. Thank you for being part of such a great organization and assisting us in having one of the safest communities in the State for our size.

God Bless,  
Chief Anna Ruzinski

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### **VOLUNTEER WALKERS NEEDED for Independence Day Parade**

**July 3rd, 2018**

Dear Neighbors,

As you know, Menomonee Falls Neighborhood Watch believes that we have the ability to make a difference in making our community safer and we are dedicated to serving our village and its residents.

With this in mind, we chose to participate in the Fourth of July Parade. This year, the parade is on Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at 7:00pm. This is our opportunity to promote our Menomonee Falls Neighborhood Watch Program. This is one of the largest parades in the area and people from other communities come to watch and participate in the festivities.

**How can you participate?** Sign up to volunteer and walk with your family, friends and neighbors while helping spread our word about Menomonee Falls Neighborhood Watch and reach our community members.

If anyone also has a nice vehicle/trailer that you would want to have in the parade, let me know.

Please email me to sign up. I will send out our meeting time and place once we receive the information. I can be reached at [cmariscal1@wi.rr.com](mailto:cmariscal1@wi.rr.com).

I look forward to seeing you on the walk!

Cathy Mariscal

President

Menomonee Falls Neighborhood Watch

### **MFNW Fund Raising—Please Help**

Please make your tax deductible donations to our PayPal account: <https://www.paypal.me/mfnw>

Together we can make Menomonee Falls a better place to live.

### **MFPD Citizen's Academy**

The Menomonee Falls Police Department is tentatively scheduling a Citizen Police Academy starting in September 2018. The Citizen Police Academy will cover a plethora of subjects to include police administration, traffic enforcement, police operations, criminal investigations, use of force, tactical operations, etc. The program will consist of thirteen weekly two to three hour classes with the graduation taking place in December. If you are interested in participating in the Menomonee Falls Police Citizen Police Academy contact Sergeant Andrew Birler at (262) 532-8740.

### **Upcoming Events**



- **JULY 3rd PARADE**
- **Annual MFNW Picnic**  
**July 12th, 2018—Rotary Park 5:00pm**  
**2018**

### **Crime Prevention Tips!!!**

#### **Lock it or Lose it**

The Menomonee Falls Neighborhood Watch would like to remind its neighbors that around this time last year an increase of theft from vehicles and vehicle thefts occurred. The majority of the vehicles targeted were left unlocked or the keys were in the ignition. Help prevent crime by making smart choices to minimize your risk of being a victim by:

- Locking your vehicle and take the key out of the ignition.
- Take all valuables out of your vehicle.
- Close your garage door.
- Report suspicious activity when you see it.  
**DO NOT WAIT!**

**LOCK IT  
OR LOSE IT**

