

# West Manchester Township

## Police Department



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Chief of Police

### Police Chief's Report for March 2024

March 28th, 2024

Dear Board of Supervisors, Manager and staff,

For the month of January, the officers handled 533 incidents as well as 56 vehicle crashes. Officers conducted over 382 traffic stops and issued 117 traffic citations. The department made 15 felony arrests, 40 misdemeanor arrests, 20 summary non-traffic arrests and 9 juvenile petitions were also filed.

The most significant event of the month was Officer David Keller's retirement from the department after 32 years of service.

The department announced his retirement on the radio by a York County Emergency Center dispatcher with the following message:

Dear Board of Supervisors, Manager and staff,

*The West Manchester Township Police Department announces the retirement of Officer Dave Keller. Officer Keller's final tour of duty will end today at 1800, and his retirement will be effective on April 2, 2024. Officer Keller began his career on January 13, 1992, marking more than 32 years of distinguished service to the citizens of West Manchester Township and the County of York. During his career, Officer Keller served the Department as an evidence processing expert, crime scene investigator, photographer, and SWAT team member. Officer Keller also spent many years as a member of the York County Forensic Team, assisting departments across the county with processing expansive and complex crime scenes. Officer Keller is the true example of selflessness and professionalism, and his laid-back demeanor and servant's heart will be missed for years to come. We wish Dave a long, happy, and well*

The department announced his retirement on the radio by a York County Emergency Center dispatcher with the following message:

Dear Board of Supervisors, Manager and staff,

The West Manchester Township Police Department announces the retirement of Officer Dave

***deserved retirement, and express our most sincere gratitude for his career-long dedication to serving the citizens of West Manchester Township.***

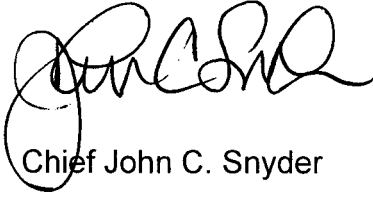
Anyone that knows Dave Keller or who has encountered him as a police officer will say that he is a man of high character and dedicated to his profession and his family. Dave is a person that was an informal leader but did not want to be labeled as such. He led by example, worked hard, could talk to anyone, worked all the shifts, and would do things his way a lot of the time. He always volunteered for the cooking for National Night Out and would spend countless hours cooking food the days before the event and there was no one that tasted his food that walked away unhappy. He often would bring his family, his wonderful wife and children to help us and it made those events even more special. Keller is a people person, someone who citizens asked for on calls or when they needed someone they trusted. He often would be able to calm down people that were having emotional problems and Dave would easily deal with them in a manner much as a loved one would do and then built trust and legitimacy with anyone that he encountered. He was a testament to what a police officer should be and what a father, man, friend, and good person should be. I personally hold him in such high regard that I would often go to him for advice on how to handle very difficult issues with personnel or even in my personal life. He always seemed to have such wisdom advising me of choices that I wouldn't have thought of in my position, but his emotional intelligence was incredible. He is an example of what is best in this profession and what he leaves on the table as he retires. He is not someone that will ever be replaced and I can say that it was my pleasure and honor to work with him and be his Chief for such a brief period of time. I only wish there were more people like him entering this profession because we need more Dave Kellers in this world. We wish him well in his retirement and he certainly earned it.

Training:

Officer Esteves	Feb 12-13	USDOJ De-Escalation
Detective Fink	Feb 12-13	USDOJ De-Escalation
Detective DeWitt	Feb 14-15	USDOJ De-Escalation
Officer Snyder	Feb 14-15	USDOJ De-Escalation
Officer Staley	Feb 15	ARIDE
Officer Janney	Feb 19-20	USDOJ De-Escalation
Officer Staley	Feb 21-22	USDOJ De-Escalation
Sergeant Conway	Feb 21-22	USDOJ De-Escalation

Detective Davenport	Feb 28	NCTC Bulletproof Mind
Sergeant Conway	Feb 28	NCTC Bulletproof Mind
Officer Anderson	Feb 29-30	AR-15 Armorer Course

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John C. Snyder". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "S".

Chief John C. Snyder

West Manchester Township Police Department  
 West Manchester Township Statistics  
 February 2024

	Quantity
Part I & II Offenses	229
Incidents (excluding crashes)	304
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>533</b>
Felony Arrests	15
Misdemeanor Arrests	40
Juvenile Arrests	9
Summary Arrests	20
Traffic Citations	117
Warning / PT-10's	265
Parking Tickets	1
Reportable Crashes	26
Non-Reportable Crashes	30
<b>TOTAL CRASHES</b>	<b>56</b>
Injury Crashes	8
<b>Total Injuries</b>	<b>10</b>

**MEMO**

**TO: BETH JACOBS, OFFICE MANAGER**  
**FROM: ALISON KEISER, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  
**RE: RECORDS TO BE DESTROYED**  
**DATE: March 5, 2024**

**2005** Outdated Accreditation Standards & Proofs

**2009-2013** Miscellaneous Documents (Awards, Budgets & Correspondence)

**2016** Leave Balances

**2017** Accounts Payables & Payroll Records

**2018** Accidents

**2018** Traffic Citations & Driving Records  
Read File  
Certificates of Accuracy for Vehicles  
Requests for Police Reports  
Routine Correspondence  
Monthly Reports  
False Alarm Letters & Invoices  
Selective Speed Enforcement  
Seized License/Registrations  
Tow Sheets

**2021** Parking Tickets  
Incidents & Services (with attachments)  
Criminal History Checks (no record found)  
Dog Law, Curfew, Abandoned Vehicle Letters  
Unattached Trailer Letters  
Solicitation Permit Applications