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Don Julian introduced our guest speaker, Sheriff Dave Wedding. Sheriff Wedding began his career on January 1, 1981 and 35 years later was inducted as the new Sheriff of Vanderburgh County after serving as a Deputy under 5 previous leaders. He indicated that over the years, the job performs at a much slower pace then it did when he started. He cited a population decrease in the City as people move to the Country for the reason. There is a sufficient rise in drug sales, gang related activities, acts of violence, and gun fire.

The Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department is the 6th largest Agency in the State of Indiana. There are currently 109 Deputies in Vanderburgh County. A K-9 unit costs the department roughly \$15,000 to train the dog and his Deputy. About 80% of what law enforcement handles, does not involve crime but involves a dispute.

Sheriff Wedding discussed some safety tips and a discussion of the most recent heavy equipment seizure. Law enforcement relies heavily on reports from the public, please report anything out of the ordinary as you never know what it might help them to piece together. They hope to educate people to protect themselves as they cannot protect everybody.



If you have any questions, Sheriff Wedding can be contacted on their website or his e-mail is dwedding@vanderburghsheriff.com.

February

Circle of Leaders – Jeff Olson

Invocation & Buddy Prizes – Jeff Olson

Bulletin – Dan Phillips

Have a great week!

Cheryl Graves (Shannon Perry filling in)

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