



MEDINA MUNICIPAL COURT

2014 Annual Report

DALE H. CHASE, JUDGE

NANCY L. ABBOTT, CLERK

**MEDINA MUNICIPAL COURT
2014 ANNUAL REPORT**

MARCH 31, 2015

Medina City Council & Mayor
Medina County Commissioners

The following is the yearly report of operations for the Medina Municipal Court as required by Ohio Revised Code Sec. 1901.14.

The Court received new filings of 13,620 cases and terminated 13,181 cases.

These cases generated \$4,012,225.95 of disbursements, which include bond and civil judgments.

CASE FILINGS AND TERMINATION STATISTICS

Lori A. Henry, Court Administrator

The following is a report of the Medina Municipal Court on cases filed and terminated for each case type as established by the Ohio Supreme Court. The information provided is taken from the Administrative and Individual Judge Reports of the Ohio Supreme Court.

CRIMINAL & TRAFFIC CASES					
	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
FELONIES					
Cases Filed:	265	195	204	218	166
Cases Terminated:	264	197	198	216	167
MISDEMEANORS					
Cases Filed:	2,000	1,831	1,734	1,782	1,690
Cases Terminated:	1,928	1,779	1,733	1,704	1,672
O.M.V.I. (DUI)					
Cases Filed:	563	575	536	544	558
Cases Terminated:	565	553	527	540	545
TRAFFIC					
Cases Filed:	8,136	7,503	7,200	7,550	8,193
Cases Terminated:	7,951	7,437	7,088	7,592	8,050
CIVIL & SMALL CLAIMS CASES					
	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
PERSONAL INJURY/PROPERTY DAMAGE					
Cases Filed:	7	6	29	22	38
Cases Terminated:	10	13	27	26	33
CONTRACTS					
Case Filed:	1,228	1,116	1,607	1,573	1,573
Cases Terminated:	1,073	1,350	1,405	1,644	1,544
F.E.D. (Forcible Entry and Detainer)					
Cases Filed:	409	445	430	570	527
Cases Terminated:	445	415	502	551	567
OTHER CIVIL					
Cases Filed:	755	818	780	958	1,223
Cases Terminated:	676	760	914	980	1,380
SMALL CLAIMS					
Cases Filed:	257	274	299	290	358
Cases Terminated:	269	273	314	301	323
TOTAL CASES FILED:	13,620	12,763	12,819	13,507	14,326
TOTAL CASES TERMINATED:	13,181	12,777	12,708	13,554	14,281

CASE LOAD COMPARISON BY ARRESTING AGENCIES
TOTAL TRAFFIC AND CRIMINAL CASES FILED

AGENCY	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Brunswick City	482	429	550	512	512
Brunswick Hills Township	1,062	362	400	731	882
Bureau of Criminal Investigation	0	1	0	0	0
Chippewa Lake Constable	0	0	0	3	2
Chippewa Lake Zoning	6	2	4	5	8
Division of Watercraft Safety	1	2	3	0	0
Division of Wildlife	49	17	45	10	31
Granger Township Constable	0	1	0	0	0
Hinckley Township	587	414	558	625	715
Lafayette Township	6	7	31	52	15
Litchfield Township	29	19	35	47	30
Liverpool Township	10	18	20	19	16
Lodi	0	0	0	0	1
Medina City	2,517	1,777	1,485	2,037	2,027
Medina City Building Department	5	5	22	40	10
Medina City Zoning	12	3	2	4	17
Medina County Drug Task Force	90	70	23	46	21
Medina County Parks	3	10	5	7	3
Medina County Sheriff	481	595	673	595	620
Medina County SPCA	14	10	3	7	6
Medina Dog Warden	0	2	1	4	9
Medina Township	951	1,168	945	689	861
Medina Township Zoning	0	0	0	0	1
Medway Enforcement Group	3	1	0	2	0
Metro Parks	10	30	76	77	57
Montville Township	846	1,032	687	791	970
North Royalton	5	3	3	3	2
Ohio Bureau of Workers' Comp	0	0	0	1	0
Ohio Department of Agriculture	0	0	1	0	0
Ohio Department of Transportation	5	8	0	2	2
Ohio Investigative Unit	5	5	8	22	7
Ohio State Patrol	3,425	3,744	3,612	3,184	3,070
Private Citizens	9	4	18	28	35
Spencer Village	80	92	186	194	309
State of Ohio	2	1	3	2	1
Strongsville	0	2	3	0	0
Zoning Violations	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	10,696	9,834	9,402	9,741	10,240
Reactivated Cases	<u>268</u>	<u>270</u>	<u>272</u>	<u>353</u>	<u>367</u>
TOTAL	10,964	10,104	9,674	10,094	10,607

**CASE LOAD COMPARISON BY ARRESTING AGENCIES
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL CASES**

AGENCY	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Brunswick City	74	53	68	63	88
Brunswick Hills Township	12	13	23	29	23
Hinckley Township	35	39	41	39	31
Lafayette Township	0	0	1	2	2
Litchfield Township	1	0	0	0	0
Liverpool Township	0	0	2	0	0
Medina City	131	88	96	137	101
Medina County Sheriff	32	33	38	38	46
Medina Township	48	71	31	22	34
Metro Parks	0	0	1	1	0
Montville Township	63	91	43	34	41
North Royalton	0	0	1	2	1
Ohio State Patrol	148	171	163	157	160
Spencer Village	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>
TOTAL	545	562	518	531	533
Reactivated Cases	<u>18</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>25</u>
TOTAL	563	575	536	544	558

**CASE LOAD COMPARISON BY ARRESTING AGENCIES
TOTAL OTHER TRAFFIC CASES**

AGENCY	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Brunswick City	207	214	262	257	227
Brunswick Hills Township	930	279	302	616	756
Chippewa Lake	59	0	0	0	0
Chippewa Village Constable	0	0	0	2	1
Granger Township Constable	0	1	0	0	0
Hinckley Township	432	322	449	518	611
Lafayette Township	6	7	30	50	13
Litchfield Township	27	19	35	45	30
Liverpool Township	10	18	18	21	16
Medina City	1,519	953	722	1,072	1,263
Medina County Sheriff	261	385	397	361	360
Medina Township	665	843	743	544	695
Metro Parks	3	11	18	15	21
Montville Township	607	721	527	671	821
North Royalton	5	3	1	0	1
Ohio State Patrol	3,194	3,474	3,373	2,950	2,829
Spencer Village	67	72	143	160	283
State of Ohio	1	1	2	0	0
Strongsville	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	7,993	7,325	7,025	7,282	7,927
Reactivated Cases	<u>143</u>	<u>178</u>	<u>175</u>	<u>268</u>	<u>266</u>
TOTAL	8,136	7,503	7,200	7,550	8,193

The Brunswick Mayor's Court, which is within the Court's jurisdiction, provided the following information:

CASE TYPE	CASES FILED	CASES TRANSFERRED TO MEDINA MUNICIPAL COURT
Traffic	3,009	109
OVI	139	17
Criminal	811	80
Tax	623	---
Dog	60	---
Building	24	---
TOTAL	4,666	206

**CLERK OF COURT
NANCY L. ABBOTT**

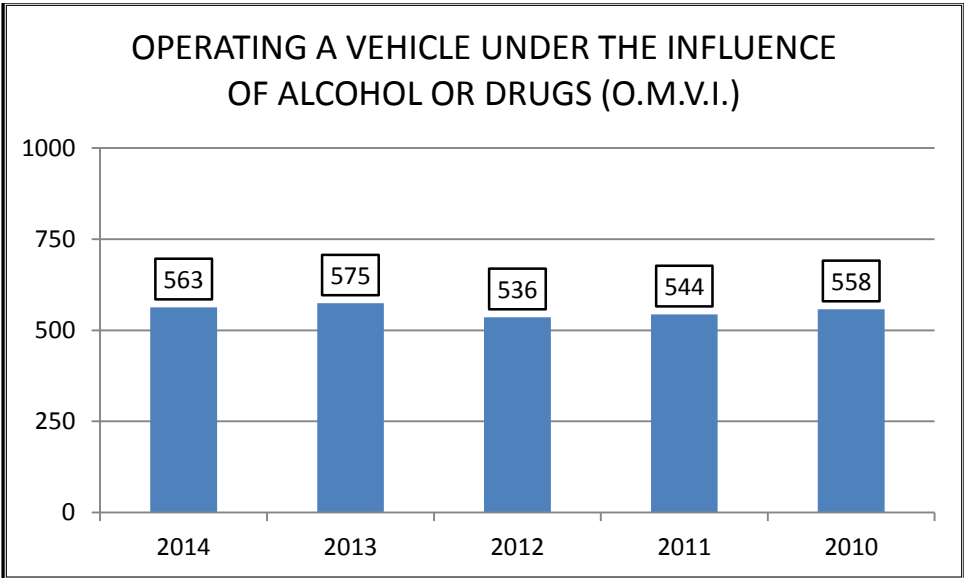
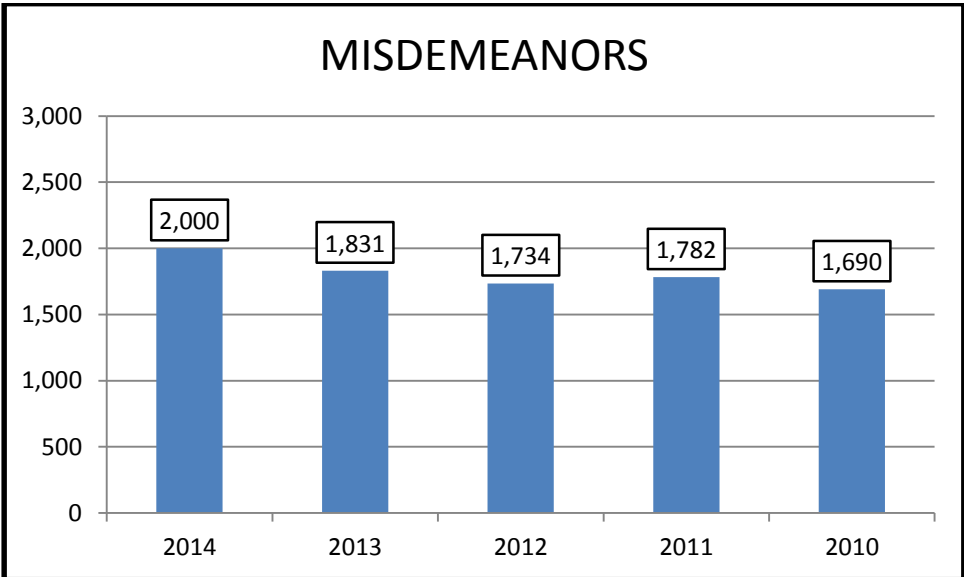
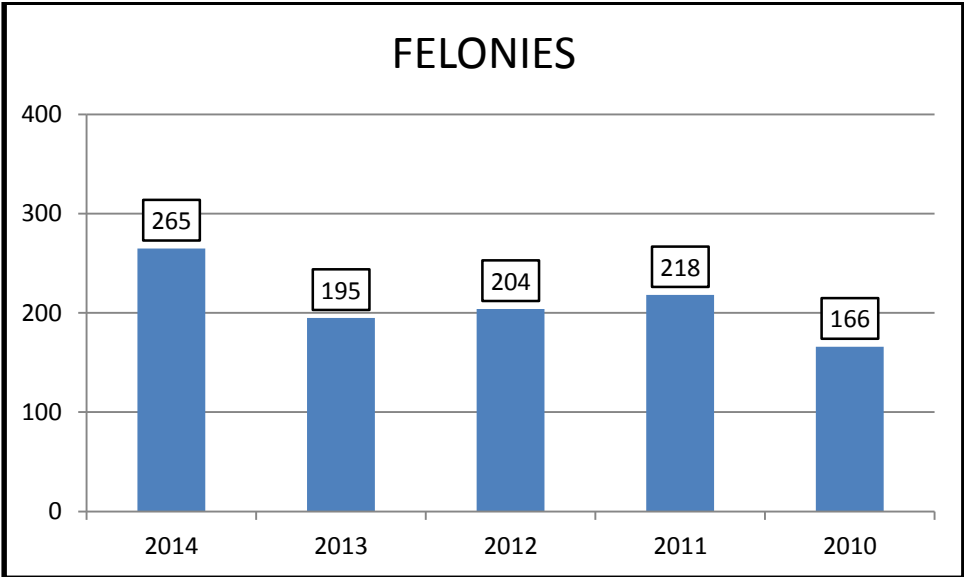
The following is a Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the Medina Municipal Court for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

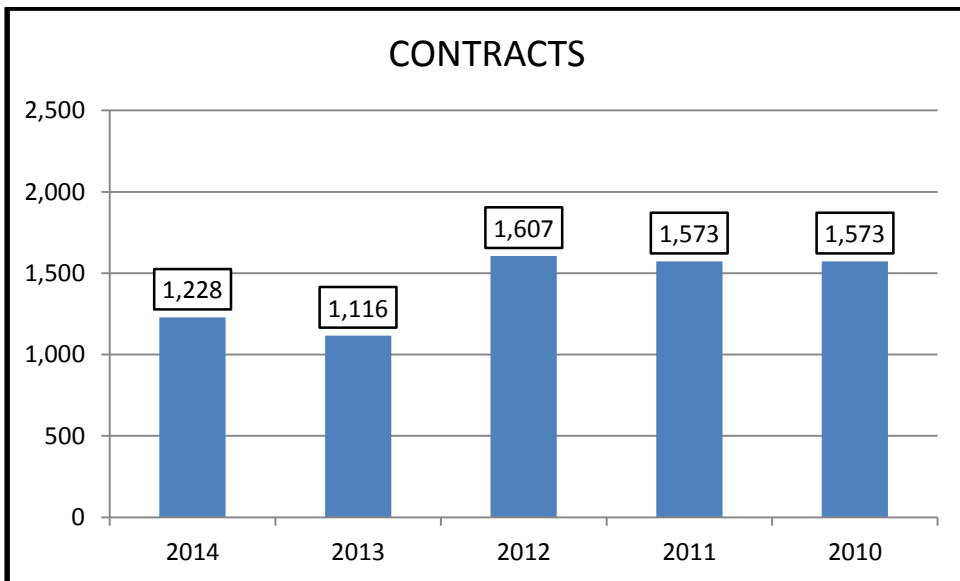
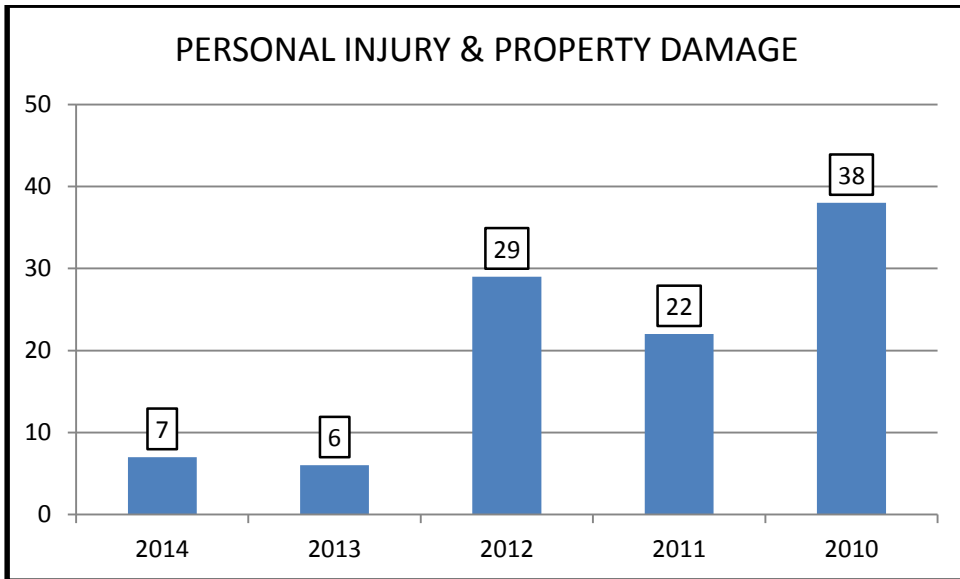
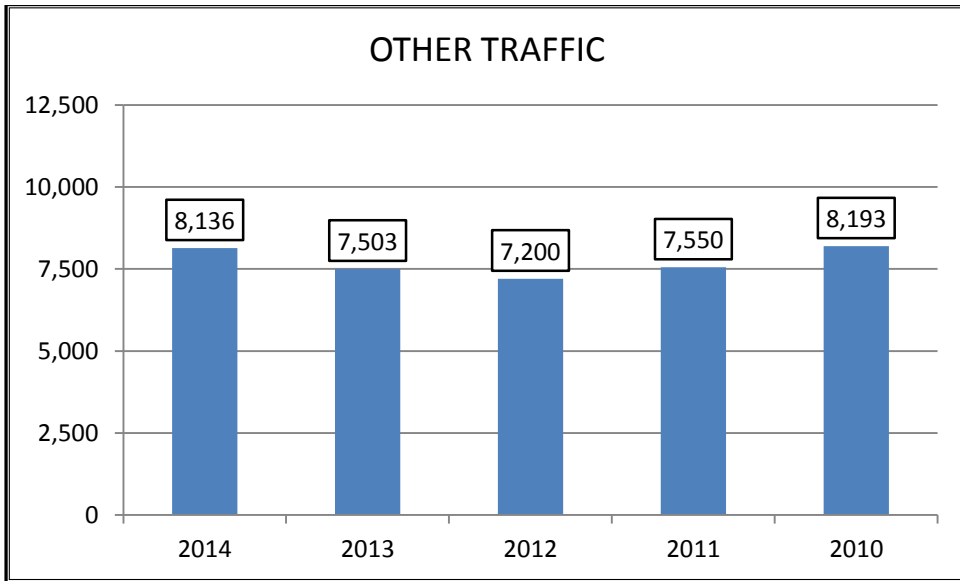
BOND ACCOUNT		
Cash Receipts:		
Balance as of January 1, 2014		69,786.00
Total receipts for 2014		394,369.45
Adjustments (Voided Checks)		1,062.76
Disbursements:		
Total disbursements for 2014		393,826.18
IDSF		6,297.50
Balance as of December 31, 2014		65,094.53
CIVIL / LANDLORD-TENANT / TRUSTEE DIVISION		
Cash Receipts:		
Balance as of January 1, 2014		60,514.20
Cash Receipts		1,482,955.34
Disbursements:		
City of Medina		
Bailiff Fees		9,806.00
Bank Processing Fee		5,166.00
Case Management		7,749.00
Computer Legal Research Service Fee		7,770.00
Computer Capital Improvement Fund		25,900.00
Court Administrative Fee		634.23
Court Costs		220,793.55
Special Project Fund		51,800.00
State of Ohio		62,788.77
Miscellaneous		
Foreign Sheriff Fees		0.00
Jury and Witness Fees		770.00
Judgments, Returns & Transfers		1,030,063.08
Miscellaneous Payout		0.00
Adjustments (voided checks, voided receipts, etc.)		-2,858.60
Total Civil Disbursements		1,420,382.03
Balance as of December 31, 2014		123,087.51
CRIMINAL/TRAFFIC ACCOUNT		
Cash Receipts:		
Balance as of January 1, 2014		0.00
Total CR/TR Receipts for 2014		2,191,720.24

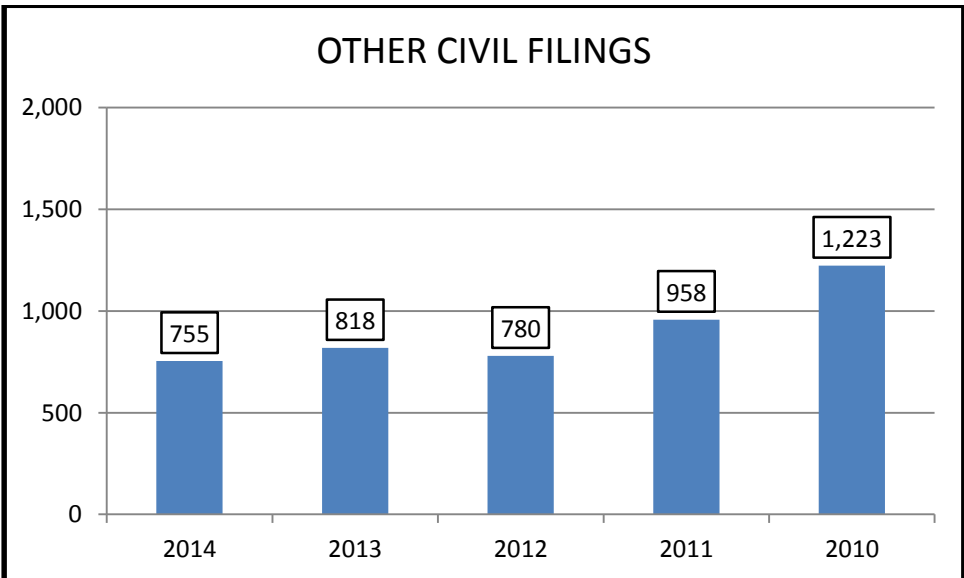
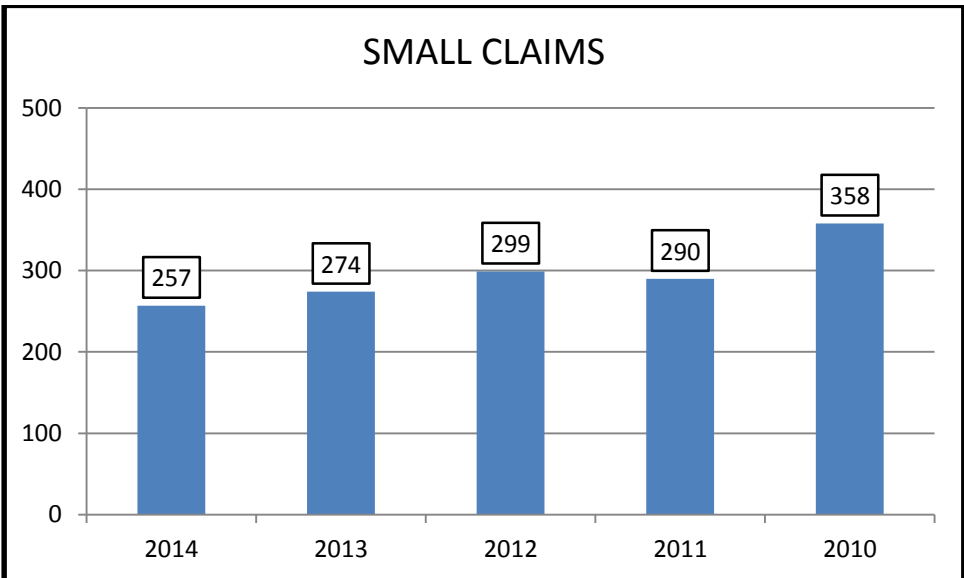
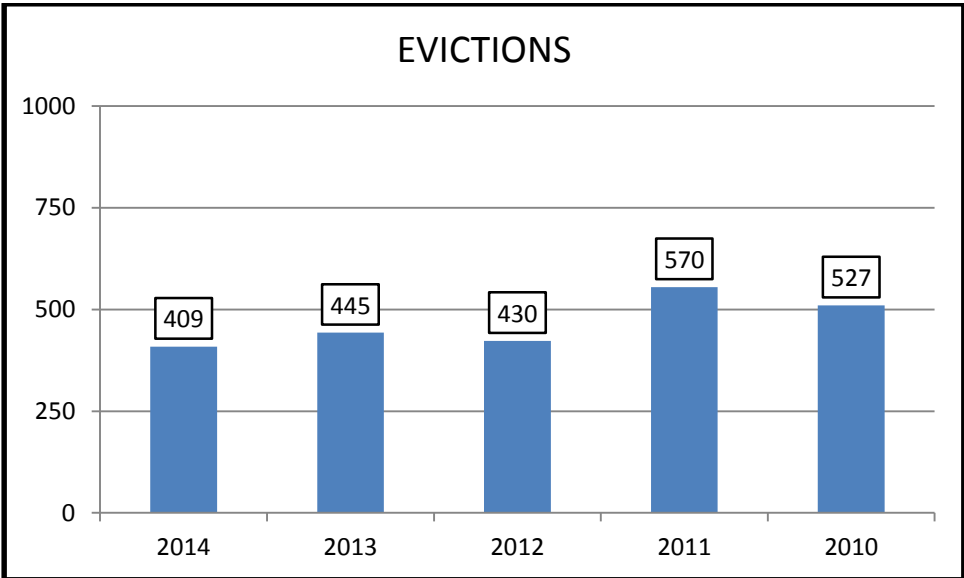
City Disbursements: City of Medina Finance Director		
	Bank Processing Fee	17,546.50
	Building Code Fines	300.00
	Case Management Fund	26,070.00
	City Police Fines	66,553.50
	Computer Capital Improvement Fund	88,270.50
	Computer Legal Research Fund	26,502.00
	Court Costs	433,963.66
	Court Reporter Costs	30,208.00
	Expungement Fees	0.00
	Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment Act	25,068.96
	Indigent Interlock Fund	20,905.00
	Medina City Drug Enforcement Act	0.00
	Medina City DUI Enforcement Act	2,508.00
	Medina Street Maintenance	5,165.00
	Probation Service Fund	116,723.00
	Reimbursed Jury & Witness Fees	1,141.50
	Special Project Fund	199,972.32
	State Highway Patrol Fines	86,579.50
	Zoning Fines	<u>100.00</u>
Total Criminal Disbursements to Medina City:		1,147,577.44
State Disbursements: Treasurer, State of Ohio		
	Child Safety Act	572.90
	Drug Law Enforcement Fund	27,891.40
	Expungement Fees	2,220.00
	Indigent Defense Support Fund	246,365.39
	Liquor Fines	175.00
	Seat Belt Fines	16,581.00
	State Highway Patrol DUI Enforcement	3,428.00
	State Highway Patrol Fines	108,217.40
	State Highway Patrol Safety Fund	127.50
	Victims of Crime	<u>71,511.50</u>
Total State Distribution:		477,090.09
Miscellaneous County Distributions:		
	Expungement Fees	1,480.00
	Indigent Application Fees	11,444.41
	Highway Maintenance Fund	3,466.00
	Hinckley Township Highway Funds	50.00
	Jury & Witness Fees	1,407.00
	Liquor Control Fines	175.00
	Medina County Park Fines	<u>150.00</u>
Total Miscellaneous County Distributions:		18,172.41

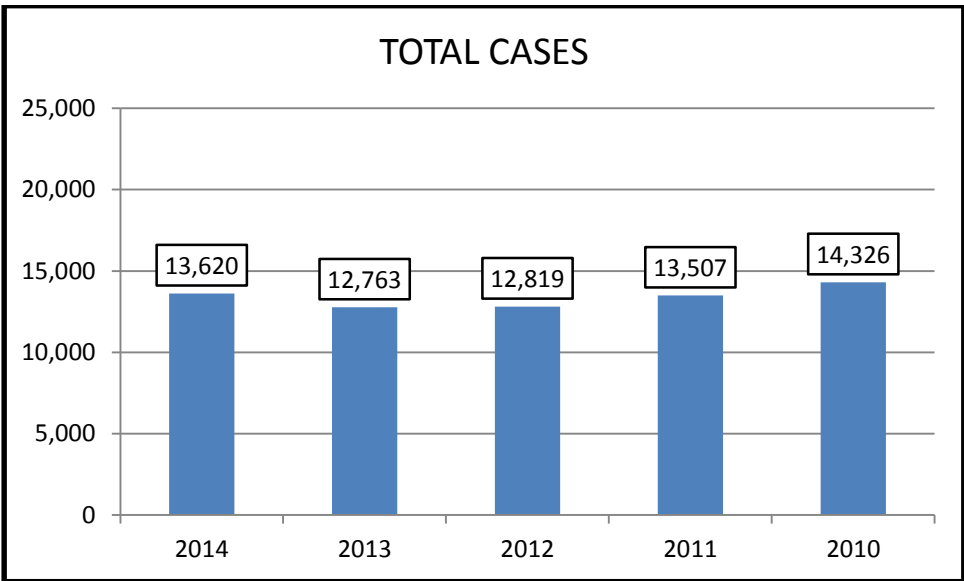
County Disbursements: Treasurer - County of Medina		
Brunswick City Police Fines:		
	4511-4513 Sections	16,986.00
	All Other Sections	4,310.50
	Aud. Cir. 81-5	3,468.00
Brunswick Hills Township Police Fines:		
	4511-4513 Sections	23,483.00
	All Other Sections	4,496.00
	Aud. Cir. 81-5	8,435.00
Chippew Lake Village Police Fines:		
	4511-4513 Sections	500.00
Hinckley Township Police Fines		
	4511-4513 Sections	65,191.00
	All Other Sections	5,075.00
	Aud. Cir. 81-5	4,658.00
Lafayette Constable Fines:		
	4511-4513 Sections	125.00
	All Other Sections	125.00
Litchfield Constable Fines:		
	4511-4513 Sections	1,709.00
	All Other Sections	735.00
	Aud. Cir. 81-5	170.00
Liverpool Constable Fines:		
	4511-4513 Sections	525.00
	Aud. Cir. 81-5	250.00
Medina City Police Fines - State Code:		
	4511-4513 Sections	39,989.00
	All Other Sections	24,080.58
	Aud. Cir. 81-5	16,114.90
Medina Township Police Fines:		
	4511-4513 Sections	46,262.50
	All Other Sections	9,802.50
	Aud. Cir. 81-5	15,880.00
Montville Township Police Fines:		
	4511-4513 Sections	49,998.00
	All Other Sections	4,913.00
	Aud. Cir. 81-5	14,604.00
Ohio State Patrol - 10%:		
	4511-4513 Sections	20,222.00
	All Other Sections	291.90
	Aud. Cir. 81-5	1,130.20
Spencer Township Police Fines:		
	4511-4513 Sections	885.00
	All Other Sections	4,350.00
	Aud. Cir. 81-5	649.00
Total County Distributions:		389,414.08

MISCELLANEOUS DISTSRIBUTIONS:	
Medina County - Sheriff - Fees:	6,403.00
Medina County - Sheriff Fines:	39,692.65
Medina County - Sheriff DUI Enforcement:	555.00
Medina County DUI Jail Costs:	27,660.00
Brunswick City - Fines & Costs:	25,693.75
Brunswick City - DUI Enforcement:	1,955.00
Brunswick Hills Police Fees:	4,370.00
Brunswick Hills DUI Enforcement:	110.00
Cleveland Metro Parks - Fines:	550.00
Cleveland Metro Parks - DUI Enforcement:	0.00
Hinckley Police Fines:	2,698.00
Hinckley DUI Enforcement:	905.00
Litchfield Township DUI Enforcement:	25.00
Medina Township Police Fines:	3,950.00
Medina Township DUI Enforcement:	1,133.00
Montville Township Police Fines:	3,497.00
Montville Township DUI Enforcement:	1,360.00
North Royalton Police Fines:	250.00
Spencer Village Fines:	2,238.00
Spencer Village DUI Enforcement:	673.00
Capital Recovery Collections:	8,470.35
Lorain County Sheriff:	91.96
Medina County Treasurer - Law Library:	7,000.00
Ohio Board of Pharmacy:	16,341.00
Ohio Department of Natural Resources:	2,668.00
Portage County Sheriff:	94.48
SPCA Fines:	<u>1,082.03</u>
Total Miscellaneous Distributions:	159,466.22
Total Criminal and Traffic Disbursements:	2,191,720.24









PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Marirose Power, Chief Probation Officer

The probation department employs three full time general supervision/presentence investigation officers, a part time officer, a full time intensive supervision probation officer, a full time chief probation officer, and three part time clerical staff. A grant from the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction funds the position of the intensive supervision officer and one of the clerical staff. The grant- funded program serves both the Medina and Wadsworth Municipal Courts.

The department completed presentence investigations in 1,074 cases, and 123 sealing of records investigations. Additionally 269 traffic cases were reviewed and prepared for sentencing, and 220 victim impact statements were processed.

Four hundred eighty-seven offenders were placed on probation. Of these, 65% were convicted of an OVI or closely related offense, 10% were convicted of domestic violence/ threatening domestic violence/a reduced charge which originated as domestic violence, 5% were convicted of theft/property crimes, another 5% were convicted of underage alcohol charges, 3% committed assault/ an act of violence, and 2% were sentenced to prolonged supervision for cruelty to animals. The remaining 10% had a broad range of offenses such as child endangering, telecommunications harassment, inducing panic, and firearms violations.

Reporting appointments for the year totaled 2, 762, and 1, 338 drug tests were completed. The probation department also supervised persons ordered to bond reporting, and electronically monitored house arrest/ transdermal alcohol monitoring. All intervention in lieu of conviction candidates were monitored by probation officers. Probation officers also placed and coordinated a total of 51 persons assigned to complete a collective total of 3,125 community service hours.

Seventy-six individuals were formally charged with violating conditions of probation

ALCOHOL TREATMENT FUNDS AND JAIL COSTS

The Court collected \$40,467.08 for the Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment Act (IDATA) in 2014. These funds can be used to pay for treatment of indigent defendants. The Court collected \$27,660.00 for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol jail costs, which was paid to the Medina County Auditor. The Court disbursed to townships, cities, Medina County and the State of Ohio a total of \$12,652.00 from funds collected under the Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol Act. These funds may be used by the arresting agencies for equipment, training, and enforcement of driving under the influence of alcohol laws.

BAILIFF'S OFFICE

Carl Meding, Bailiff

Current staffing of the Court's Bailiff's Office consists of the Bailiff, 4 full-time Deputy Bailiffs, and one part-time Deputy Bailiff. Bailiffs remain responsible for courtroom and building security, attending to the Court's electronic recording system, and overseeing the activities of all people using the Court and its facilities. The Bailiff also supervises six part-time security personnel who operate the Court's metal detector and screen all persons entering the building.

One Deputy Bailiff is responsible for the service of subpoenas and other court papers throughout the Court's jurisdiction. This also includes executing evictions and Court ordered sales of property. In 2014, the Bailiff's Office supervised 164 eviction writs, a 21.5% increase compared to 2013. (See Table #1)

The Bailiff's Office maintains and operates the Court's Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS) terminal. The Bailiff's Office has passed all audits performed by LEADS, and is currently in compliance with all LEADS and NCIC regulations.

The Bailiff's Office actively pursues defendants who have failed to appear at the Court, or have otherwise ignored Court orders. During 2014 the bailiffs physically arrested 72 defendants, and cleared a total of 297 warrants by all means. (See Table #2)

Tables #3 and #4 details warrants on hand at the end of 2014.

The Bailiff's office also administers the Court's program of data entry concerning of the Court's probationers into the federal National Crime Information Center's (NCIC) Supervised Release File. These entries allow law enforcement agencies across the nation (as well as Canada and Mexico) to identify people that they have come into contact with, who are on probation with this Court. These agencies may then contact the Court's probation staff for additional information as necessary, (e.g. people being screened for the purchase of a firearm). This also allows the Court's Probation Department to better monitor those defendants on probation.

At the end of 2014 the Court maintained 479 probationers in the Supervised Release File. During 2014, the Court recorded 121 contacts with various law enforcement agencies dealing with Court probationers. These contacts run the gamut of relatively minor traffic offences, to more serious crimes such as OVI, Domestic Violence and such felony matters as Unlawful Sex with a Minor, Sexual Battery, Aggravated Assault, and Violating Protection Orders.

TABLE #1	
EVICTION ACTIVITY	
(FORCIBLE ENTRY AND LOCK CHANGE)	
YEAR	NUMBER OF EVICTIONS
2010	139
2011	166
2012	113
2013	135
2014	164

The activity of the warrant enforcement bailiff is reflected in the following report:

TABLE #2	
TOTAL NUMBER OF WARRANTS RESOLVED:	297
TOTAL NUMBER OF DEFENDANTS:	270
WARRANTS RESOLVED BY ACTION TAKEN:	
Executed By Arrest:	72
Came to Court After Home Visit:	80
Came to Court After Phone Contact:	88
Came to Court After Warrant Block Letter:	52
Resolved Via Most Wanted Poster Program	5
NUMBER OF HOME VISITS MADE:	539

TABLE #3	
WARRANTS ON HAND	
NUMBER OF FAILURE TO APPEAR WARRANTS:	545
ARRAIGNMENT:	280
TRIAL:	77
CHANGE OF PLEA:	23
SENTENCING:	115
PROBATION VIOLATION:	32
SHOW CAUSE HEARING:	7
COMPETENCY HEARING:	1
JAIL SENTENCE:	1
NUMBER OF CIVIL SHOW CAUSE WARRANTS:	9

TABLE #4	
WARRANTS ON HAND BY GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	
WITHIN MEDINA COUNTY:	16
WITHIN ADJACENT COUNTY AREA:	146
WITHIN STATE OF OHIO:	107
OUTSIDE OF OHIO:	258
OUTSIDE OF UNITED STATES:	18
NOTE: These locations are based upon the most recent information available to the bailiff's office.	

CONTINUING EDUCATION

All judicial seminars are through the Judicial College of the Supreme Court of Ohio unless otherwise noted.

Judge Chase is an active member of the Ohio Association of Municipal/County Court Judges.

Judge Chase attended the following association meeting:

- February 2014 – Association of Municipal/County Court Judges of Ohio 2014 Winter Conference.

Magistrates Lawrie, Leggett and Dougherty are active members of the Ohio Association of Magistrates.

Chief Magistrate Lawrie serves on the Supreme Court of Ohio's Commission on Technology and the Courts. Chief Justice Thomas Moyer appointed Magistrate Lawrie to the commission in 2008. The commission's purpose is to "chart a course for the deployment of technology in Ohio's justice system."

In 2013, Magistrate Lawrie was appointed to serve on the Court Technology Committee of the Ohio Judicial Conference (www.ohiojudges.org). The committee "explores new development in court technology and policies related to it, and serves as a resource to help Ohio judges effectively use technology."

Chief Magistrate Lawrie attended the following association meetings and seminars:

- April/May 2014 – Ohio Association of Magistrates 2014 Spring Conference – *The Foreign Intelligence Service Act (FISA) and the Court; Fixing Discovery: The Judge's (and Magistrate's) Job; Judicial Conduct: Implicit Judgments and Judicial Decision Making and The Do's and Don'ts of Campaigning; Municipal Master Class; Ruling the Record; Protecting the Record; What's in a Transcript?; Court's Supervisory Power over Records; Competency and Capacity, Estate Planning and Related Issues.*
- October 2014 – Ohio Association of Magistrates 2014 Fall Conference – *Ohio Courts Update; CSPR Review; Payday Loans Decision: Ohio Neighborhood Finance v. Scott; CSPR Remedies; CSPR Litigation Issues from Practitioner's View; Collection Issues; Debtor-Creditor Rights from a Practitioner's Point of View; Scams; Exemption Statute Update; Improving Your Ability to Get Things Done in Court.*

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Magistrate Leggett attended the following association meetings and seminars:

- October 2014 – Ohio Association of Magistrates 2014 Spring Conference – *The Sovereign Citizen Movement and Your Court; Report on the Judiciary; Ohio Courts Update; CSPA Review; Payday Loans Decision: Ohio Neighborhood Finance v. Scott; CSPA Remedies; CSPA Litigation Issues from Practitioner’s View; Collection Issues; Debtor-Creditor Rights from a Practitioner’s Point of View; Scams; Exemption Statute Update; Improving Your Ability to Get Things Done in Court.*

Magistrate Dougherty attended the following association meetings and seminar:

- April/May 2014 – Ohio Association of Magistrates 2014 Fall Conference – *The Foreign Intelligence Service Act (FISA) and the Court; Fixing Discovery: The Judge’s (and Magistrate’s) Job; Judicial Conduct: Implicit Judgments and Judicial Decision Making and The Do’s and Don’ts of Campaigning; Municipal Master Class; Ruling the Record; Protecting the Record; What’s in a Transcript?; Court’s Supervisory Power over Records; Competency and Capacity, Estate Planning and Related Issues.*

COMPUTER DEVELOPMENTS

Rich Armstrong, Management Information Specialist

The court employs a Management Information Specialist to coordinate all technology applications. The current equipment in place consists of 42 printers, 5 printer/copier/fax systems, 50 desktop and 4 laptop PC's. A Dell 2900 server holds the court records, while another Dell 2900 server handles the online court access and a Snap Gear firewall appliance was installed to protect the internal computer systems. The Norton Antivirus was updated to Symantec Endpoint 12.0 for more thorough protection of the network. The installed value of computers and software is approximately \$500,000, of which zero dollars came from the City of Medina General Fund.

The equipment was upgraded this year with all the pc's replaced with new Dell systems. The upgrade was driven by the expiration of Windows XP operating system support and the new systems are all Windows 7 Professional systems. The office software was upgraded to Office 2013 on all systems. Older printers were replaced with Brother upgrades that allow printing, copying and scanning at each desk.

The Court uses Case Management software from Civica Systems of Englewood, Ohio. The software is continually upgraded throughout the year in response to user requests generated at the meetings throughout the year.

The Court records are backed up daily to a tape drive and stored off site.

Audio is recorded in both courtrooms by software from FTR systems and stored on multiple computers. Backups are made for each courtroom and stored offsite and on multiple pc's within the building allowing quick recovery for court staff, attorneys and clients.

The technical staff attends various meetings throughout the year to keep current on changes to the case management system as well as new trends in hardware and software development.

The Court has Wi-Fi access points throughout the building allowing employees and guests to access the internet.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING SERVICES

The Court continues to see an increase in the number of criminal and traffic cases involving defendants who do not speak English and require assistance in their native language to understand court proceedings. The Court contracted with Language Line Services of Monterey, California to provide language translation for short court proceedings (approximately 5 to 10 minutes in length) and with Monarca Language Services, a Medina business, for other translation services.

WEDDINGS

The Judge performed 58 weddings in 2014.

Respectfully submitted:

MEDINA MUNICIPAL COURT

MARCH 31, 2015

DALE H. CHASE, JUDGE

NANCY L. ABBOTT, CLERK