UPSET

- Michigan State Police
- Marquette City Police
- Marquette County Sheriff’s Dept.
- Delta County Sheriff’s Dept.
- Escanaba Public Safety (Fiduciary)
- Menominee City Police Dept.
UPSET con’t

- 1 Bureau Of Indian Affairs Agent
- 2 ATF Agents
- 2 DEA Agents
- 1 US Fish and Wildlife Agent
UPSET COUNTIES

Serving 12 counties

Gogebic County West

Schoolcraft County East

S.A.N.E.: covers remaining 3 eastern counties
Recent Local Drug Trends

- Cocaine
- Methamphetamine
- Bath Salts (White Rush) (Speed Freak)
- Heroin
- Prescription Drugs
- Medical Marihuana Act
- Synthetic Cannabinoids: K-2 Spice/Herbal Incense/Potpourri/Plant Food, Cathinones: Bath Salts
Cocaine/Crack Cocaine

- Crack is powder that is then boiled in water and baking soda
- Inhaled, smoked, injected
- Transported into our area in smaller amounts mostly ounces but as much as $\frac{1}{2}$ kilo
- Substantial amount of Cocaine in area
Chore Boy

Will use anything such as a socket from a toolset
Methamphetamine

- Poor man’s Cocaine, often mixed with cocaine
- White powder that is: inhaled, smoked and injected (preferred)
- Similar effects to Cocaine but longer lasting, quicker high
- Could potentially be up for 3-4 days at a time and then sleep for 2 days
Meth Effects
Meth labs
MAIN INGREDIENTS

- COMBINE THE FOLLOWING IN A BOTTLE

- PSEUDOEPHEDRINE
- LITHIUM METAL
- SOLVENT
- LYE
- AMMONIUM NITRATE
Pseudo Controlled

- Federally controlled Felony. State Misd.
- A few states have made Ephedrine a prescription
- Labs have gone from 600 to 10 in those states.
Lithium Batteries
LITHIUM METAL IS REMOVED FROM LITHIUM BATTERIES. AA SIZE BATTERIES ARE THE MOST COMMONLY FOUND AT METH LABS, BUT IT COULD BE ANY TYPE OF LITHIUM BATTERY. SODIUM METAL CAN ALSO BE USED, BUT IT IS NOT EASILY OBTAINED.
WHAT AN ACTIVE COOK LOOKS LIKE

Lithium metal chunks in liquid

Brown sludge on bottom layer is fertilizer.
HAZARDS FROM ACIDS

ACIDS CAUSE SEVERE BURNS
Hazards

Gwinn: Meth lab explodes, sends one male to the ER, 60% body burned and in a burn center induced coma

Iron Mountain, Meth Lab explodes, suspect flown out to burn unit
MURIATIC ACID + ALUMINUM

COMBINE IN A BOTTLE, GAS CAN, ETC. TO MAKE HCL GAS

BUBBLE THROUGH METH LIQUID

FINISHED METH
SULFURIC ACID + SALT

Combine in a bottle, gas can, etc. to make HCL gas

Bubble through meth liquid

Finished meth
Garbage/Gas Generator
Funnel/coffee filter
Anhydrous Ammonia Method
Methamphetamine

- Possession – 10 year felony
- Manufacture/deliver – 20 year felony
- Possession components – 20 year felony
- Possession excess Pseudoephedrine
  - State: 93 day misdemeanor
  - Federal: Felony

17 Federal indictments for purchase of too much Pseudo
Methamphetamine

- Extensive cleanup costs up to $6500

- Requires special protective equipment for police to enter the location

- Requires a hazmat team to separate and transport to hazmat waste dump.

- Container system operating in Michigan
Methamphetamine

- Meth Labs in Michigan
  - 2004  300
  - 2005  347
  - 2006  360
  - 2007  174
  - 2008  337
  - 2009  638
  - 2010  671

Marquette Probate Court: 61% child protection cases meth related
Labs in the U.P.

- 2009 – 5 labs
- 2010 – 7 labs
- 2011 – 21 labs
- 2012 YTD – 25 labs
- As many as 4 one pots in one lab
- 2 pots in vehicle recently
Methamphetamine

3 years, 5 months later
Heroin has made a comeback recently.

Currently, certain counties have a major problem.

Starting to spread to other counties

Transported into the area from Lower Peninsula, Wisconsin, Illinois
Heroin

- Very Addictive drug
- People live solely for the next fix.
- Wake up and try to gather enough money for the next purchase.
- Turn to selling so they can support their habit.
- Children present when the deals are being completed in residences
Very Difficult to detect on persons or in a vehicle

Most dealers will travel with females so they can hide drugs in body cavity.
Heroin Kills

Talked with business owners: everyone was impacted by the heroin use in their city: family, friend, relative, employee. Employers have difficult time finding employees that can pass the drug test.

Has completely taken control of a community

These people were died within seconds of injecting themselves.

Needles still in them arms.
Heroin

- Most dealers will travel into Michigan to do the transaction.
- Will go to prison in Wisconsin for 5-8 yrs.
- Will do 5-8 months in county jail in Michigan
Prescription drugs are abundant.

- Oxycodone – pain control
- Oxycontin – pain control
- Suboxone – treat opiate addiction & pain
- Methadone – pain control
- Morphine – pain control
- Hydrocondone – pain control
- Vicodin – pain control
Prescription Drugs

Percentage of Teens Who Have Ever Tried:

- Marijuana: 33%
- Prescription Drugs: 19%
- Inhalants: 19%
- Cough Medicine: 10%
- Crack/Cocaine: 9%
- Ecstasy: 8%
- LSD: 7%
- Meth: 6%
- Ketamine: 5%
- Heroin: 5%
- GHB: 4%

Prevalence of Past Year Drug Use Among 12th Graders

Source: The University of Michigan, 2010 Monitoring the Future Study
Prescription Drugs

- Obtain own prescription and sell pills
- Get others to obtain prescriptions and buy their pills and then sell them
- Steal pills from family, friends, elderly, vehicles
- Find prescription friendly doctor who will over prescribe (380 Oxycontin a month)
- Report prescriptions stolen
“Pharming Parties”

Modern Day “Wappatooie”
High School Parties
Suboxone

Becoming more prescribed and abused

Watched hand to hand, followed car, stopped in alley injecting within minutes
Medical Marihuana Act

- 2008 MMA passed by voters
- Intended for debilitating medical condition
- Qualifying patient (user cards)
- Caregiver – 21 years of age, no Felony drug conviction
Medical Marihuana Act

• Application to Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

• 6 Months behind on approvals

• After 20 days, application presumed valid

• Police can’t check to see if someone has a card or if someone’s card is valid
Medical Marihuana Act

• Users allowed 2.5 oz. of useable Marihuana

• Caregivers can have 5 patients, 12 plants per patient designated to them (kept in locked enclosed facility)

• Delivery to a unauthorized person is a Felony

• Still schedule 1 drug by federal guidelines
Marijuana Edibles

- Tinctures - Alcohol
- Butter
- Cookies
- Brownies
- Candy
Synthetic Drugs

Cannabinoids
- Mimics THC
- Spice
- K-2
- Potpourri

Cathinones
- Mimics Cocaine & Methamphetamine
- Bath Salts
- Plant Food - Mephedrone

U.P. First in state to see this type of drug

UPSET worked closely with state and federal legislators

Scheduled by the state as a schedule 1 drug
Synthetic Cannabinoids

- JWH developed by Clemson Professor John Huffman
- Never intended for human consumption, effects are not yet known.
- Huffman, “these things are dangerous, using them is like playing Russian Roulette, they have profound psychological effects.” “Actual effects are not yet known.”
K-2 Spice

- Synthetic Marihuana
- Schedule 1 drug
- JWH-018, 020, 073
- Sold local head shops, smoke shops
- Mimics THC but up to 10 times greater
Potpourri

- “Herbal incense”
- Sold in “head shops”
- Lab reports no scheduled substances
- Locally, people were hospitalized from use
- Advertised “No DEA banned chemicals”
Potpourri

AM 2201: Initials of inventor and there is a patent on the chemical
Locally, people and students are getting medical attention after smoking:
  Violent Vomiting, passing out, Hallucinations, seizures, labor breathing
Deaths have been attributed to the use of Synthetic Cannabinoids.
Another White Powder: so what actually are you taking? Cocaine, Meth, Bath Salts, Mephedrone

A Cathinone with similar effects to amphetamines and cocaine
Plant Food

- Grinding teeth
- Memory loss
- Paranoia
- Sweating
- Agitated

- One man thought werewolves attacking him.
- Saw heart beating outside chest
- Sees the devil and demons
Bath Salts “White Rush”


- Very similar to Methamphetamine, only a few molecules off the formula, MDPV

- Felony – 2 yr. to possess, Felony – 7 yr. to manufacture and distribute as of August 1, 2011

- DEA used emergency scheduling (Sen. Levin)
Bath Salts

TV-6 Interview: Hallucinate, thought police outside door all the time, hear voices, stay up for as many as 6 days.

User will walk over meth and cocaine to get to bath salts
Bath Salts “White Rush”

- Hospitals have seen daily overdoses, numbers have subsided since legislation
- Many patients are admitted to psychiatric ward due to delusions, hallucinations, and paranoia
- 2010: Poison Control Center: 3200 calls
- 2011: Poison Control Center: 13,000 calls
New Legislation

- Specific chemicals and like effects.

- Emergency Scheduling
  - Director Community Health determines eminent danger
  - Board of Pharmacy determines scheduling
  - Scheduling expires in 6 months with one 6 month extension.

  - Manufacture/Delivery – 7 year felony
  - Possession – 2 year felony
  - Use – 1 year misdemeanor
“Intervention” Here at Home

- Intervention – local resident featured
- Addicted to Heroin, Bath Salts, Cocaine & others
- Only care is where to get next fix and will do whatever she has to
- Dreams of being Police Officer Shattered.
- Jailed 3 times, OD 2 times
UPSET Stats (2011)

- Criminal complaints – 242
- Persons Arrested – 197
- Arrest Counts – 305
- Search Warrants Executed - 40
UPSET Budget

• October 1\textsuperscript{st}, budget $0

• Operating yearly budget: $188,000

• Forfeitures and donations
  • No forfeitures from Medical MJ
  • No forfeitures from Meth Lab (contamination)
  • No forfeitures from Heroin
QUESTIONS?

Detective  First Lieutenant George Sailer  
Eighth District Headquarters  
Marquette, MI.