



Three off-duty officers perform lifesaving CPR

Miami Township detective assists to save man's life

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It was supposed to be a casual dinner to discuss a trip to Washington, D.C. during National Police Week this May. But, for Miami Township Police Detective Dan Wessling and two of his friends, it turned into a lifesaving event.

Detective Wessling was enjoying a night out with Tipp City Sergeant Marc Basye and West Carrollton Officer Chris Fairchild at Hinders Sports Bar & Grill in Tipp City. When asked to share what happened January 11, Wessling immediately showered praise upon his fellow officers.

Wessling says Officer Fairchild noticed a man in medical distress and without hesitation, all three officers, who were off-duty at the time, jumped into action. After Wessling and Fairchild discovered the victim had no pulse, Fairchild began CPR. Sgt. Basye then assisted with CPR while Wessling cleared the way for medics to arrive. They successfully revived the man, who ended up walking out of the bar with his wife by his side.

Detective Wessling has been a police officer for 12 years, starting his career in Jackson Township, then moving to West Carrollton before coming to Miami Township in 2014. He trained Fairchild while working as a Field Training Officer in West Carrollton.

“I’m very proud of the great officer he is,” Det. Wessling said.

Seems police officers are always on duty, even when they’re not.

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