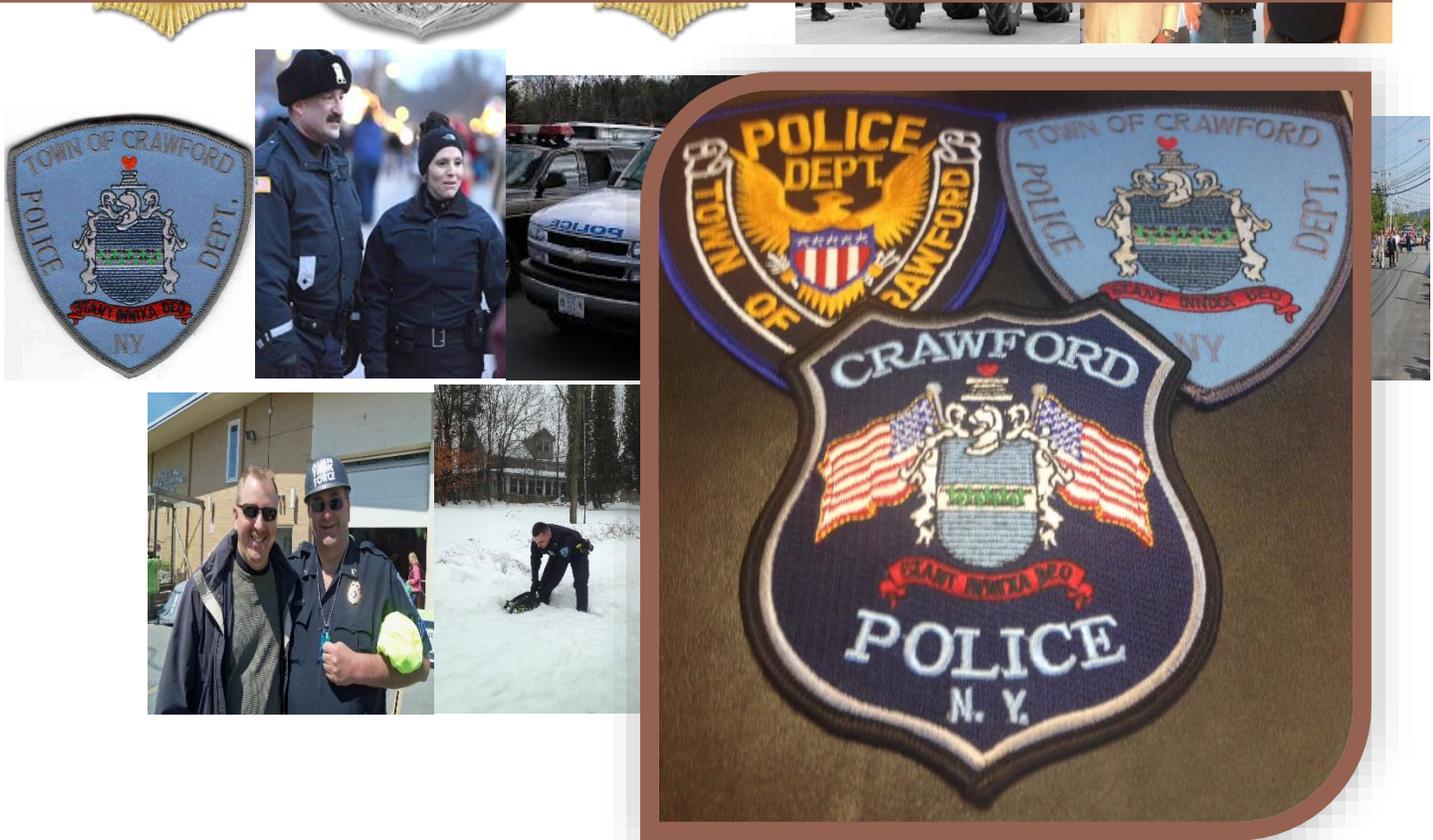


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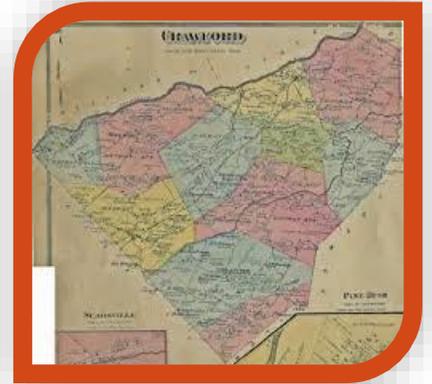


OVERVIEW AND HISTORY

The Crawford Police Department is a full service police department that serves the Town of Crawford in Orange County, New York.

In April of 1971 a resolution by the Town Board formed the Crawford Police Department. The resolution switched the town's law enforcement from a constabulary to a police department.

In 2014 the police budget was approximately 1.3 million dollars. At the end of 2014 there were 18 sworn police officers. (10 full time and 8 part time), 12 civilian support staff, 5 marked patrol vehicles, 2 All-terrain vehicles and 6 military surplus vehicles. Although the population and growth of the Town has been substantial, the Police Department maintains contact with citizens by promoting a community policing policy throughout the department.



MISSION STATEMENT

PRINCIPLE MISSION:

The mission of the Town of Crawford Police Department is to improve the quality of life in the Town of Crawford by working in partnership with the community to preserve life, enforce the law, maintain order, provide quality police services and to reduce the fear and incidence of crime. Our most valuable asset in carrying out this mission is our employees and their dedication to maintain our reputation as a quality law enforcement organization and to make Crawford a safer community. Our core organizational values of Honor, Professionalism and Dedication serve to guide our employees in their pursuit of excellence and in making "our vision a reality". Replace this text with your own. You can also replace the pictures (on the previous page and at right) with your own.



Message from Chief Blasko



February 1, 2015

Dear Supervisor Carnes,

I am pleased to provide you, the Town Board, and by extension, the residents and visitors of the Town of Crawford with a summary of the activity of the Town of Crawford Police Department for 2014. In the following pages, you will read how we work each day to accomplish our mission to reduce crime, fear and disorder in the Town of Crawford. After you're finished you will be as proud as I am of the work that the men and women of the Crawford Police Department have done.

2014 was definitely a tumultuous time for our nation's law enforcement. Several incidents nationwide had a profound effect on the way we do business and hopefully will start an effective national dialogue to improve relationships. In law enforcement one thing is a certain, we do not live in a bubble and what goes on around the country can effect or community. While acting locally we must be aware of the criminal, violence and drug trends that effect our country.

Our mission to maintain the feeling of a safe and healthy environment for those living, working and visiting our town is our primary responsibility. Our values of dedication, respect, cooperation, professionalism and responsibility must be as visible as our patches and badges on our uniforms. While we act locally we must think globally and for many years the Town of Crawford Police Department has understood that and has been engaging the community and building relationships in both our crime fighting and community policing efforts. While I believe we do an effective job I am committed to improving and moving forward to strength our community.

This past year we partnered with the Orange County District Attorney's Office and Orange County Sheriff to increase our efforts in locating and disrupting the drug trade in the Town of Crawford. We participated in "Operation Open Air" and we were able to arrest 12 people for the sale and distribution of narcotics in and around the Town of Crawford. Unfortunately that is just the beginning and we will continue this extremely important battle.

The department answered 4,091 calls for service, made 254 arrests and issued 1,311 Uniformed Traffic Tickets during the year. In addition to responding to calls we conducted numerous community policing activities including regular business checks through our door slip program and policed numerous town events.

In 2014 we continued our philosophy to “prepare for the challenges that may never come.” With that mantra in mind we built on our training success in 2013 and continued to improve many areas of training. The most notable training improvement this year was officers were trained in the use of Naloxone. The Naloxone was utilized twice to save Crawford residents who had overdosed on heroine. The 40 hour in-service training program we implemented in 2013 was improved upon and we continue to collaborate with the Police Chiefs’ of Orange County Police Academy both as students and instructors.

The department continues to strive to make our roads safe. To do this the department participates in the Stop DWI and New York State Governors’ Traffic Safety Selective Enforcement programs. These programs have enabled us to receive funding to increase visibility and provide directed enforcement patrols. In addition to enforcement the department has teamed up with the Orange County Traffic Safety/Stop DWI program and Pine Bush High School to provide the “Not One More” program and driver safety classes in health classes at the high school. Our motto is make good decisions, have a plan and put down your cell phone.

It is my pleasure to serve as the Police Chief and work with the Town Board, the community and especially the dedicated men and women who make up the Town of Crawford Police Department.

Thank you for letting me provide you with the following information contained in this report.

Respectfully submitted,



Dominick L. Blasko

Chief of Police



Town of Crawford Police 2014

The Crawford Police Department is where you will find a team of dedicated public servants who care about our Crawford community and strive to serve with compassion, honesty and respect.

Chief of Police

Dominick L. Blasko

Sergeants

Eric Meier	John Avery
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Police Officers

John Spinato	James Johnson	John Levison	Daniel Boyd
Paul Zavadil	Steve Roman	Arika Arquilla	Steven Valastro
Mike McConnell	John Samuels	Robert Farrell	Edgar Rodriguez
Timothy Lee	Dan Menendez	Robin Meier	Paul Wippel

DISPATCHERS AND STAFF

Diane Kaiser	Erin Bien	Kevin Bruyn
Ken Martin	Megan Moniz	Ron Rollings
Steve Morrow	Kelly Donohue	Karen Mas Administrative Aide
	Darlene Panagulis Dog Control Officer	

Crossing Guards

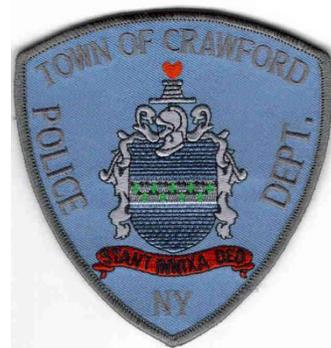
Barbara Delgrasso	Mary Esparra	Angelo Fucci	Judy Day
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New Patches

On October 16, at the Town Board Meeting, Chief Blasko unveiled the department's new uniform patch. This is the third patch in the history of the department. The original patch was worn from 1971-2003 when it was replaced by the light blue Town Crest. The new patch went into effect with the transition to long sleeve uniforms on October 20, 2014.



1971-2003



2003-2014



2014

Promotions

Steve Roman Arika Arquilla

Part-time Police Officers Steven Roman and Arika Arquilla were promoted to full time police officers on August 3, 2014.

Roman was hired as a part time police officer with the Town on August 23, 2012. He graduated from the Police Chief's Association of Orange County Police Academy and was assigned to patrol.

Arquilla was hired as a part time police officer with the Town on March 15, 2012. She had previously worked in the Village of Walden and was assigned to patrol.

Retirements

Crossing Guard Barbara DelGrosso

Crossing Guard Barbara DelGrosso retired from the Town of Crawford Police Department on August 8, 2014.

DelGrosso was hired as a Crossing Guard in 1984 and spent the next 30 years making sure that the busses were let out and children were crossed safely.

Barbara has moved to warmer weather and we wish her a long and happy retirement

Resignations

John Levison

John Levison a full time police officer since October of 2006 resigned on June 11, 2014 and transferred to the Village of Harriman Police Department.

This was Officer Levison's second stint with the Crawford Police Department having previously served as a part time officer in the 1999. In addition to his prior Crawford service he had previously served with the New York State Department of Corrections, Mount Hope Police, and the Village of Goshen Police Department. Officer Levison was assigned to patrol.

Appointments

Paul Wippel

Paul Wippel was appointed as a part-time police officer with the Town on July 17, 2014.

Officer Wippel is a Pine Bush High School graduate and has over 30 years of law enforcement experience. Wippel is retired from the New York State Department of Corrections. He has been a police officer for over 30 years having worked in the Town of Wallkill and Village of Montgomery Police Departments.

Ron Rollings

Ron Rollings was appointed as a part-time dispatcher with the Town on July 17, 2014.

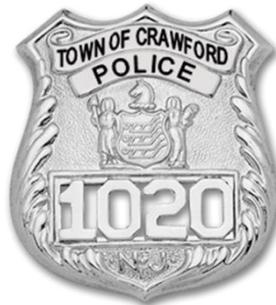
Dispatcher Rollings is also a dispatcher with the Town of Wallkill Police and serves as the Assistant Fire Chief for the Circleville Fire Department.

Steven Valastro

Stephen Valastro, was appointed as a full-time police officer with the Town on September 14, 2014.

Valastro is a graduate of Valley Central High School where in addition to being a student he was a Section 9 wrestling champion. After High School he graduated from the University of Southern Maine with a degree in Exercise Science. While in college Valastro participated in wrestling and ranks as one of USM's all-time leaders.

Officer Valastro will be attending the Police Chiefs Association of Orange County Police Academy with a March graduation date.



CASES OF INTEREST

2 JUVENILES CHARGED WITH ARSON FOR LONG LANE BARN FIRE

Officers involved: Officer

On January 4, 2014 at approximately 1:18 PM a barn fire occurred at 103 Long Lane in the Town of Crawford. The fire destroyed a barn and over \$50,000 worth of snowmobiling and farming equipment.

The fully engulfed fire took about 75 firefighters from Bullville and other departments to extinguish. Responding departments included the Montgomery, Pine Bush, Circleville, Coldenham, Maybrook, Howells and Walker Valley fire departments.

After an investigation by the Orange County Cause and Origin Investigation Unit and the Town of Crawford Police Department, the fire was deemed TO have been intentionally set by matches.

On January 5, 2014 two juvenile males age 12 and 14 from Middletown were taken into custody and charged with Arson in the Fourth Degree. They were both released to their parent and the case was petitioned to Family Court and referred to the Orange County Attorney's Office for further action



MAN CHARGED WITH BURGLARY

Officers involved:

On February 21, 2014 at approximately 11:54 AM Crawford Police responded to a report of a burglary in progress on Howell Street in the Town of Crawford. Upon arrival, responding officers were informed that there was someone in the building. Officers located an open door and a duffel bag with approximately 100 pounds of brass fittings and pipes.

Officers then located Christopher J Ferrino, 39 of Middletown and took him in to custody. Ferrino was charged with Burglary in the Third Degree, Petit Larceny, Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the Fourth Degree and Possession of Burglar Tools. He was arraigned in Town Court and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$10,000 bail.

FALSE STATEMENT LEADS TO ARREST

Officers involved: Officer

On February 16, 2014, Hannaford's reported a male shoplifter who fled the area. Hannaford's Security provided a vehicle description and license plate. Officer Steven Roman and Arika Arquilla responded and located the vehicle and suspect Matthew Green 26 of Pine Bush.

A civil compromise was agreed to by Hannaford's and Mr. Green to cover the theft of property. Green was charged with Aggravated Unlicensed Operation and Suspended vehicle registration. He was issued tickets and released.

Matthew Green did then return to the Crawford Police Station and filed a complaint that during the earlier encounter with Hannaford's Security, they forcefully grabbed him and pushed him to the ground causing injury to Green.

Further investigation by Officer Roman revealed that the incident that Green described did not occur and on March 3, 2014 Green was charged with Giving a False Statement. He was arraigned in Town Court and released to return on May 5, 2014.

SEPTEMBER, 2013 SPEEDING TICKET RESULTS IN ARREST

Officers involved: Officer

On September 20, 2013 Officer Daniel Boyd stopped a 2003 blue Chevy traveling 50 MPH in a 30 MPH Zone on Lybolt Road. The operator did not have her driver's license with her but provided pedigree information. Using that information Officer Boyd issued her a ticket for speeding.

The person named in the ticket received a notice from Town Court and on January 4, 2014 she appeared at the Town of Crawford Police Station filing a complaint that someone else used her information.

After an investigation by Police Officer Paul Zavadil. Cassandra Kniffen 27 of Middletown was charged with Criminal Impersonation in the Second Degree, False Personation and Identity Theft in the Third Degree. She was arraigned in Town Court and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$250 cash bail pending further court action.

NOVEMBER THEFT RESULTS IN MARCH ARREST

Officers involved: Officer

In November of 2013 it was reported to the Town of Crawford Police Department that subjects did steal numerous tire rims and vehicle parts from his property valued at \$1,500.

After an investigation by Officer Tim Lee which included numerous visits and calls to garages and scrap yards, 2 suspects were located. On March 11, 2014, Robert Bevins 43 of Wallkill was arrested and charged with Grand Larceny in the Fourth Degree, Criminal Trespass in the Third Degree and Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the Fourth Degree. Bevins was arraigned in Town Court and released to return to Town Court on April 2, 2014. Investigation is still ongoing.

GUN, COMIC BOOK AND RECORDS THEFT RESULTS IN ARREST

Officers involved: Officer

On March 21 a theft of 3 long guns and comic book and vinyl records collection from a local resident was reported to the Town of Crawford Police Department.

Officer Tim Lee investigated the incident and with the assistance of the victim recovered the stolen property from a pawn shop and record store.

Andrew Kerwin-Keller 25 of Pine Bush was arrested on March 25 and charged with 2 counts of Grand Larceny in the Fourth Degree and Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the Fourth Degree. Kerwin-Keller was arraigned in Town Court and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$2,500 cash bail to return to Town Court on April 7, 2014

RAPE ARREST

Officers involved: Sergeant John Avery and Officer Robin Meier

On April 5, 2014, the Town of Crawford Police Department arrested Kevin A Linton 55 of New Hampton and charged him with Rape in the First Degree, Assault in the Second Degree and Burglary in the Second Degree.

On April 4, 2014, Linton did go to an acquaintances residence, forcibly entering the residence and proceeded to physically and sexually assault the female resident.

The victim was transported to the hospital and treated for a facial injuries and released.

Linton was arraigned before Justice Bryan Kulak in Town of Crawford Court and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$300,000 cash bail or 1 million dollar bond.

MAN WITH MEAT CLEAVER ARRESTED AT DOMESTIC

Officers involved: Officer John Levison and Officer Daniel Boyd

On March 10 at 3:56 AM the Town of Crawford Police Department responded to a domestic incident in the hamlet of Pine Bush involving a man threatening his son with a meat cleaver.

The male subject, Arthur Baylor, 63, upset over a previous argument entered his kitchen removing a meat cleaver and approached his 17 year old son making threats that he was going to cut him and put him in the ground. The son escaped to his bedroom contacting the police and Baylor did strike the door with meat cleaver.

Upon police arrival Baylor immediately complied and was arrested without incident. Baylor was charged with Menacing in the Second Degree, Criminal Mischief in the Second Degree and Harassment in the Second Degree. Baylor was arraigned by Judge Harrington in Town Court and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$2,500 bail pending further court action.

MAN ARRESTED FOR DRUG POSSESSION

Officers involved: Officer Tim Lee, Daniel Menendez, John Samuels

On April 18, 2014, the Town of Crawford Police Department responded to a residence on State Route 17K for a possible trespasser.

Upon arrival officers encountered a male subject at the residence. During the initial encounter officers located a bag of marihuana on the subject and when he was advised he was under arrest the subject resisted and fled.

The subject, Courtney Banks 27 of Middletown, was captured after a foot pursuit and arrested. In addition to the marihuana officers located cocaine, crack and 48 decks of Heroine.

Banks was transported to Orange Regional Medical Center for a broken ankle, the officer was treated for shoulder and knee injuries. Both were treated and released.

Banks was charged with 3 counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, Unlawful Possession of Marihuana, Assault in the Second Degree and Resisting Arrest.

Banks was arraigned before Justice Bryan Kulak in Town of Crawford Court and remanded to Orange County Jail on no bail pending further action.

DEAD DOG LEADS TO CRUELTY CHARGES

Officers involved: Officer Jim Johnson and Arika Arquilla

On February 3, 2014, the Town of Crawford Police Department received a complaint about a dead dog on Bullville Road.

The complainant stated that he found a dog he left with his ex-girlfriend dead and frozen outside the residence.

The department was assisted in our investigation by the Orange County District Attorney's Office. The investigation including a necropsy resulted in Elizabeth Lounsbury 29 of Montgomery being arrested and charged with Animal Cruelty.

Lounsbury was released to appear in Town Court on May 5, 2014

Larceny of Wallet

Officers involved: Officer Steve Roman and Paul Zavadil

On May 3, 2014 officers responded to the Getty Station on Main Street for a report of a stolen wallet. The victim left his wallet at Getty and upon his return observed a male subject pick it up. When approached by the victim the male subject denied taking the wallet and left the area.

Officers reviewed the store security cameras and were able to observe the theft and identify the individual as Thomas Mills of Pine Bush. Officers responded to Mills residence and took him into custody.

The wallet was recovered on Maple Avenue and Mills was charged with Petit Larceny and Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the Fourth Degree. He was released on an appearance ticket to appear in Town of Crawford Court on May 12, 2014.

SUSPICIOUS MALE ARRESTED FOR DRUG POSSESSION

Officers involved: Officers Timothy Lee and Steve Roman

On May 24, 2014 the department received a call of a suspicious person walking in the roadway on State Route 17K. The caller worried about the persons safety requested that an officer check on his welfare.

Officer Tm Lee encountered a male subject of who was unsteady on his feet and partially walking into traffic. Officer Lee asked for identification and the subject pulled out a wallet which did not contain identification but did contain 2 packets of heroine. In addition to the heroine officers also located a syringe.

The individual was identified as Michael Green 30 of Walden and he was charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree and Criminal Possession of a Hypodermic Needle.

Green was released on an appearance ticket to appear in Town of Crawford Court on June 2, 2014.

Heroine Arrest

Officers involved: Officer Paul Zavadil and John Spinato

On June 27 officers responded to the Country Convenience for a report of drug paraphernalia.

According to staff a male subject has used the bathroom several times and when he left they found left over drug paraphernalia. As the officers were conducting interviews the party returned to the store.

As Officer Zavadil was conducting the interview to ascertain the male subject's identity, the subject did flee out of the store. The subject was captured on Cameron Street and after a struggle was taken into custody without further incident. Upon search incidental to arrest, officers recovered further paraphernalia and a narcotics.

The subject was identified as Matthew Russo 28 of Wurtsboro and he was charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree and Resisting Arrest. He was arraigned before Town Justice Bryan Kulak and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$5,000 cash bail.

Man with Gun Complaint Results in Arrest

Officers involved: Chief Dominick Blasko, Sergeant John Avery, Officer John Spinato, Steve Roman and Arika Arquilla

On July 3, Information was received to be on the lookout for a 2000 Ford Focus operated by Christopher Westerfield. Westerfield was believed to be despondent and possibly in possession of 2 handguns.

While on patrol, Officer John Spinato located the vehicle on State Route 302 and additional units responded. The subject did not respond to verbal commands and was slumped over. Officers approached the vehicle, unable to see any wounds or weapons the subject was physically removed from the vehicle and secured. Officers attempted to interview the subject, identified as Westerfield, but he was incoherent and in and out of consciousness.

Westerfield was charged with Driving While Intoxicated, Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle and Unlicensed Operator. He was transported to Orange Regional Medical Center by Mobil Life

A subsequent search of the vehicle recovered various pharmaceuticals but no firearms.

Officer Samuels to the Rescue

Officers involved: Chief Dominick Blasko, Sergeant John Avery,

Officer Arika Arquilla, John Samuels and Paul Wippel

State Police Lieutenant Chris Zaba, Sergeant Tom Fortuna, Sergeant Dan Quiones,

Trooper Joe Bleichner and K-9 Blair

On July 25, at about 8:30 PM an 80 year old female with dementia was reported missing from Gillespie Street. The female had let the family dog out and it ran off. The female attempted to locate the dog and became disoriented and lost.

Officers Arquilla, Samuels and Wippel began an immediate search and were unable to locate her. Chief Blasko responded to the scene with Pine Bush Fire Chief John Boyle to coordinate a search. Sergeant Avery and State Police K-9 and Helicopter were requested and responded to the area along with additional man power.

The K-9 tracked the subject for several miles into the Town of Shawangunk in the area of Doviak Lane but was unable to locate her. The K-9 searched for a couple of hours but had to be shut down because of the heat.

In addition to the K-9 and helicopter the department utilized Facebook and Twitter to send out a mass message to the community and many local residents began to assist in the search as well.

With the K-9 and helicopter search unsuccessful, discussions were being held to suspend the search till day light when, playing a hunch Officer John Samuels went back to the area where the K-9 left off and drove further into the woods locating the female subject unharmed and smiling.

FBI-led task force arrests 9 on federal heroin charges

By **Richard J. Bayne** Times Herald-Record Published: 8:45 AM - 07/30/14

MIDDLETOWN — An FBI-led task force staged a major heroin bust early Tuesday morning, rounding up nine men on federal charges of conspiracy to distribute heroin, part of an ongoing effort to stem trafficking.

Felipe Orengo, FBI supervisory senior resident agent at the bureau's Goshen office, said all nine arrested have Middletown addresses but Tuesday morning's arrests stretched into the Town of Wallkill, the Town of Crawford, and York, Pa. Orengo said all the arrests occurred about 6 a.m. Tuesday. He said a SWAT team was deployed on Belmont Avenue to make the Town of Wallkill arrest. One suspect is still being sought as part of the same roundup. All nine will be facing federal charges of conspiracy to distribute heroin. He said if convicted, they could face federal prison terms between 10 and 20 years. Orengo would not say exactly how much of the drug, in total, authorities allege that the nine distributed. He did say that all will be charged under the federal system with conspiracy to distribute over a kilogram of heroin in and around Orange County. "These arrests represent an ongoing effort by the FBI, Orange County Sheriff's Office, City of Middletown Police Department, and other law enforcement agencies to stem the flow of heroin into the Hudson Valley, and Middletown in particular," he said. "The seamless cooperation between law enforcement agencies comprising the Hudson Valley Safe Streets Task Force will continue to pay dividends for our community," Orengo said.

A number of local police agencies took part in the roundup, including City of Middletown police, Town of Wallkill police, state police, City of Newburgh police, Town of Crawford police and Dutchess County sheriff's deputies. The effort by the Hudson Valley Safe Streets Task Force is an ongoing effort and, Orengo said, it is actually "phase two" of another major bust that occurred in and around Middletown in November.



Suspicious Man call results in Drug Arrest

Officers involved: Officer John Spinato, Steve Roman

On August 4, a caller stated that there was a man screaming on the side of State Route 52 in the area of Dubious Street.

Officers responded to the location and located Michael Green, 31 of Walden who stated he was walking home from Town Court and was attempting to get a ride.

Prior to transporting Green officers searched him and discovered a bundle of heroin and a hypodermic needle in his sock.

Green was charged with Criminal Possession of a Control Substance in the 7th Degree and Criminal Possession of a Hypodermic Needle. He was released to appear in Town Court on August 11, 2014

Burglary in Progress Results in Arrest

Officers involved: Officer John Spinato, Steve Roman

At 6:35 PM on August 4, a 911 call was received on Collabar Road with the caller stating that someone broke into his residence and threatened him with a knife.

Officers responded and upon arrival the subject had fled the scene. Upon interviewing the victim, a handicapped male, officers were told that John Bowens, 55 of Middletown entered the residence looking for a third party. The victim advised him that no one else was there and Bowens began to destroy property. Bowens did tear down curtains and threw a metal curtain rod at the victim hitting him in the head. In addition to the curtain rod Bowens also damaged the door jam.

Bowens fled the scene and was not immediately located. Bowens did turn himself in to the Town of Crawford Police on August 5 at 5 PM. He was charged with Burglary in the Second Degree, Attempted Assault in the Second Degree and Criminal Mischief in the Fourth Degree. Bowens was arraigned in Town Court and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$25,000 cash bail. He is scheduled to reappear in Town Court on August 11, 2014

Early Morning Erratic Vehicle Complaint Results in Leandra Laws Arrest

Officers involved: Dan Menendez, Robin Meier, Robert Farrell and Arika Arquilla

On August 31 at 0730 a call was received for that a silver pickup truck was being operated erratically on State Route 52.

Officer Menendez located the vehicle in the area of McDonalds and stopped it. The vehicle was being operated by operator Edith M. Cename, 50 of Wallkill and there a 13 year old passenger.

Upon interviewing Cename her speech appeared slurred and there was an odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from her breath. She was given standardized field sobriety tests, in which she failed.

Cename was taken to the station where she refused to submit to a chemical test. She was charged with Driving While Intoxicated (felony), Refusal to submit to a chemical test, Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated and Endangering the Welfare of a Child.

She was arraigned in Town Court and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$5,000 cash bail. She is scheduled to reappear in Town Court on a later date.

The investigation is continuing.

Paper Service results in Marihuana Grow Discovery

Officers involved: Sergeant John Avery, Officer John Spinato and Officer Arika Arquilla

Orange County Sheriff's Department

On September 3, 2014 at 5:30 pm members of the Town of Crawford Police Department and the Orange County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Group serving a Family Court Order of Protection discovered a marihuana grow operation on Bullville Road in the Town of Crawford. As Deputies served the order they observed numerous marihuana plants. The property Resident, Bartley L Smith 52 fled into the residence and was taken into custody. A search Warrant of the premises was issued by Town Justice Jane Harrington. Sheriff Deputies and Crawford Officers executed the warrant and recovered: 76 marihuana plants, High density Grow lights, Hydroponic growers, dry marihuana and chemicals and literature for the growth of marihuana.

Smith was charged with Growing Cannabis a misdemeanor under the New York State Public Health Law. He was arraigned in Town Court and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$2500 cash bail, pending further court action.

Fatal Car Accident on State Route 302

Officers involved: Chief Dominick Blasko, Officer Steven Roman and Paul Wippel

On September 9, 2014 at 1:55PM the Town of Crawford Police Department responded to a call of a one car motor vehicle accident in the area of 680- State Route 302.

Upon arrival officers observed a 1990 Toyota Corolla off the northbound shoulder into a tree. The vehicle operator, Debra Swaim, 60 of Wallkill was trapped in the vehicle and had to be extricated by the Pine Bush Fire Department. She appeared to have a head injury and broken bones, she was treated at the scene by Pine Bush Ambulance and Mobile Life. She was flown to Westchester Medical Center where she succumbed to her injuries.

According to witnesses Swaim was operating her vehicle southbound on State Route 302 when she crossed the northbound lane, left the roadway and struck the tree. The cause of the accident is still under investigation, any witnesses are requested to call the Town of Crawford Police at (845)744-3300

Erratic Driving results in Drug Arrest

Officers involved: Sergeant Eric Meier, Officer Arika Arquilla

On September 20, 2014 Sergeant Eric Meier and Officer Arika Arquilla were assigned a Stop DWI patrol.

At about 5:55 PM, they observed a pickup truck driving erratically on County Route 17 and pulled it over. They encountered Michael Lounsbury, 32 of Bullville operating the vehicle and discovered that he appeared to be under the influence. Standardized Field Tests were conducted. Lounsbury failed the tests and was arrested on September 20 and charged with Driving While Intoxicated (Felony), Driving with Ability Impaired by Drugs. Further investigation revealed that his driver's license was revoked and that he was in possession of Xanax pills. He was additionally charged with: Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance. He appeared in Town Court and was remanded to Orange County Jail on \$10,000 bail to reappear on October 6, 2014

Operation Open Air

Officers involved: Town of Crawford Police Department, Orange County District Attorney's Office, Orange County Sheriff's Office and various law enforcement agencies in and around Orange County



Eighteen police agencies in 10 municipalities made 32 arrests in a drug sweep Orange County officials have dubbed "Operation Open Air." As the name implies, this operation targeted "open air" drug sales, District Attorney David Hoover said at a Thursday news conference announcing the year's fourth large-scale narcotics sweep for Orange County. "The majority of these were dealing in the open, or we had information that they were dealing in an area that was easily accessible," Hoover said.

The enforcement, using a variety of techniques – buy-and-busts, search warrants, arrest warrants, car stops – took place during the spring and summer and targeted heroin, cocaine, marijuana and prescription drug activity. Drugs valued at more than \$50,000 and two handguns were recovered, Hoover said. As for the sweep announced Thursday, Hoover said. "I'm sure Orange County is a little bit safer as a result of this." Heather Yankin @THR

Arrested in Connection with the Town of Crawford Police Department's Participation in Operation Open air are:

Smith, Bartley 52 of Bullville was arrested on October 7 and charged with Criminal Possession of Marihuana. He appeared in Town Court and was released pending further court action.

Peterson, Klerisa 21 of Chester was arrested on October 7 and charged with Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree. She was sent to Orange County Jail pending County Court action.

Gill, Barry 33 of Montgomery was arrested on October 7 and charged with Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in or near school grounds. He was sent to Orange County Jail pending County Court action.

Gonzalez, Eric 31 of Middletown was arrested on October 7 and charged with Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the third degree. He was sent to Orange County Jail pending County Court action.

Pagan, Vance 32 of Wurtsboro was arrested on October 8 and charged with Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree. He was sent to Orange County Jail pending County Court action.

Life Saved with Naloxone

Officers involved: Chief Dominick Blasko and Officer Steven Roman

On October 17, 2014 at 10 AM the Town of Crawford Police department responded to a call of unconscious and unresponsive male at a house on Howell Street.

Upon arrival Chief Dominick Blasko and Officer Steve Roman encountered the unresponsive male and empty heroine packaging. Naloxone was administered and the 28 year old male from Bloomingburg regained consciousness. He was transported by Mobile Life to Orange Regional Medical Center.

The Crawford Police Department has been carrying Naloxone since July 24, 2014 and this is the department's first application of the anti-overdosing drug.

The department is partnered with Restorative Management to provide Naloxone. Initial funding for the program and training was provided by a grant from the New York State Attorney General.

Arrestee taken into custody with assistance of Taser

Officers involved: Sergeant John Avery, Officer John Spinato, and Officer Steven Roman

Officers responded to Ayers Court on November 10 at about 5:56 PM for a report of a disorderly subject.

Upon arrival officers were informed that the subject, Garrett Power, 48 was acting suspicious and damaged the pellet stove and oil burner at the residence. In addition to the damage there was also an active "stay away" order of protection.

Officers encountered Power in the living room and was advised that he was under arrest. Power resisted arrest and Officer Roman utilized his department issued Taser. After a few moments Power complied and was taken into custody without further incident.

Power was charged with Criminal Mischief in the Fourth Degree, Criminal Contempt in the Second Degree and Resisting Arrest. He was arraigned before Town Justice Bryan Kulak and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$3,000 cash bail to return on December 2, 2014.

Life Saved with Naloxone

Officers involved: Sgt. Eric Meier

On November 26, 2014 in the mist of responding to 12 motor vehicle accidents caused by the snow storm, the Town of Crawford Police Department responded to a call of an unconscious and unresponsive male on Youngblood Road.

Sergeant Eric Meier responded to the call at 11 AM and upon arrival encountered the unresponsive male laying in the driveway of a residence. The subject, a 29 year old male from Montgomery was unconscious and not breathing. CPR was performed and Sgt. Meier administered Naloxone. After about 20 minutes, the male regained consciousness and he was transported by Pine Bush Ambulance to Orange Regional Medical Center.

The Crawford Police Department has been carrying Naloxone since July 24, 2014 and this is the departments second "save" using the anti-overdosing drug.

The department is partnered with Restorative Management to provide Naloxone. Initial funding for the program and training was provided by a grant from the New York State Attorney General.

Complaint leads to Several Charges for Intoxicated Driver

Officers involved: Sergeant John Avery, Officer John Spinato, and Officer Steven Roman

On December 9, a call was received for a possible intoxicated driver in the area of Ted Drive in the hamlet of Pine Bush. Caller stated that the vehicle struck a snow bank and was making a U-turn.

Responding officers encountered a Ford Edge in the middle of the roadway. Officers interviewed the female operator, Dianne Conero, 47 of Pine Bush. Conero was observed to be slurring her speech and she also had an odor of an alcoholic beverage emitting from her breath.

Conero was given Standardized Field Tests and was found to be intoxicated and she was taken into custody. A search incidental to the arrest located an open bottle of Fire Ball Whiskey and a container with a powdery substance that tested positive for cocaine.

Conero was charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 7th Degree, Driving While Intoxicated, Leaving the Scene of a Property Damage Auto Accident and Open Container of Alcohol. She was arraigned before Town Justice Jane Harrington and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$500 cash bail to return on January 6, 2015.

Stolen Items located

Officers involved: Officer John Spinato,

On December 8 the department received a complaint of a larceny of jewelry from a residence.

Officer Spinato responded and was advised that someone stole money, jewelry and electronics from the residence. The total items stolen had a value of \$14,650.

After an investigation Officer Spinato was able to locate the jewelry and recovered it (\$12,600 value) from various businesses in the tri-county area.

With the assistance of Orange County Probation, Officer Spinato located and arrested, Christopher Thomas, 27 of Walden and charged him with Criminal Possession of Stolen Property and Violation of Probation. He was arraigned before Town Justice Bryan Kulak and remanded to Orange County Jail on \$10,000 cash bail to return on January 5, 2015.



Selective Traffic Enforcement Program

In response to the high number of motor vehicle accidents on State Route 302, the Town of Crawford Police Department in 2009 applied for and received funding from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to increase the enforcement of the Vehicle and Traffic Law in the State Route 302 corridor. In 2011 the entire township was included in the grant request. The 2014 GTSC awarded the department \$XXXXXX in funding. The funding was utilized to fund over XX hours of selective traffic enforcement.

Child Passenger Safety Program

The Town of Crawford Police Department participates in the Child Passenger Safety Program. The CPS program is funded by the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee. Some members of the department are trained in the proper installation and inspection of child safety seats. They attended a training program that covered the many aspects of child restraint and safety devices. Upon completion of the training, the certified officers provide all residents with the opportunity to have their child safety seat inspected, installed, adjusted and if necessary, replaced. The program also provides child safety seats for those who cannot afford to purchase them in a store.

Anyone interested in this program may contact the police department at (845)744-3300 to set up an appointment.

STOP DWI

The Town of Crawford Police Department also participates in the Orange County STOP DWI program. On several occasions throughout the year a Stop –DWI enforcement period is scheduled and the county provides funding to increase patrols to combat the devastating effects of drunk drivers. In 2014 the department received approximately XXXXX in funding which resulted in over XXX hours of patrol dedicated to DWI enforcement.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Our Community Cares

Officer James Johnson, members of the Department and PBA

On May 17, The Town of Crawford PBA, in conjunction with the department hosted a "Our Community Cares" at the Bullville Army Reserve Center. The event recognized the young men and women from the Pine Bush and Valley Central High School that will be entering military service upon graduation.

The event in its second year was brought to us by Officer James Johnson and gets better every year.

This year 11 students attended with their families attended a brief ceremony in which Chief Blasko, District Attorney Dave Hoovler and Sheriff Carl DuBois presented them with certificates. The highlight of the ceremony was the outstanding keynote address by Sullivan County Judge Frank LaBuda a veteran of Desert Storm and the Iraqi war. He is also a parent of a soldier that has served in Afghanistan and Iraqi.

After the ceremony the PBA treated everyone to a chicken barbeque prepared by Chef Officer Paul Zavadil.



Memorial Day Parade

Members of the Department

On May 26, 2014, The Town of Crawford Police Department had the privilege of securing the paraded route for the Memorial Day Parade.

The parade in its 68th year was well attended and honored the men and women who have given their lives in the time of war for our country.





The Town of Crawford Police Department once again assisted the Relay for Life Committee with logistics and a very successful event was held at the Crawford Town Park on June 7, 2014. The Relay in its XXX Year has raised XXXX to help in the fight against cancer.



Supervisor Charles Carnes, Sergeant John Avery, Donna Henke, event organizer and Chief Blasko

Honor Flight Escort

Officers involved: Chief Dominick Blasko, Sergeant Eric Meier, and Officer Arika Arquilla

September Members of the Town of Crawford Police Department had the honor of escorting World War II Veteran and Town resident Hank Sudol to Stewart Airport for his flight to Washington D.C. as part of the Hudson Valley Honor Flight.



Halloween Hayride

For over 20 years the Police Department and the PBA have teamed up to provide a Halloween hayride around Pine Bush. This year was no different and with the help of Lloyd Motor works another successful event was held.

November Shaving Optional

As a fund raiser, the department's shaving rule was suspended for the month of November. Several officers participated and over \$500 was raised and donated to the Wounded Warrior Project.

Veterans Day

Officers involved: Chief Blasko, Sgt. Meier, Officer Boyd, Officer Zavadil, Officer Arquilla, Officer Samuels, Officer R. Meier, Officer Wippel, Retired Officers Walt Feller and Walt Szulwach

On November 11, 2014 members of the Police Department joined the Veterans of Foreign War, American Legion, Catholic War Veterans and local officials to honor American Veterans.

The event started at the war memorials at the Red Mills Park with Officer Arika Arquilla singing the National Anthem and an invocation by Pastor Rob Hewitt. Remarks were shared by Town Supervisor Charles Carnes and officials from the veteran's organizations.

After the service the PBA hosted a reception at the Town Hall. PBA President Sgt. Eric Meier and Chief Dominick Blasko made some remarks but the highlight was the members in attendance sharing their military experience.

Joining the members of the department were Walter Feller and Walter Szulwach both retired Crawford Officers and veterans.



Pine Bush Chamber Community Country Christmas

After a rain delay the Pine Bush Chamber of Commerce Community Country Christmas was held on December 13. The detail consisted of road closures and leading the tractor parade. Chief Blasko led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and members made sure that the venue was safe.



Chief Blasko and XXX , Bernadette Carnes, Supervisor Carnes, Deputy County Clerk Kelly Eskew, Town Clerk Jolene Roy

Sergeant Eric Meier and his brother Fritz, Deputy Town Supervisor Dan Flanick

Officer James Johnson and Arika Arquilla,

SENIOR HOLIDAY LUNCH

TRAINING REPORT



The Police Chiefs Association of Orange County Police Academy is a collaborative effort between Orange County law enforcement agencies to provide quality police training. The academy provides basic and in-service training at a reasonable cost by utilizing instructors from various departments.

Chief Blasko and Sergeant Avery currently instruct at the academy on a regular bases. Chief Blasko teaches less lethal weapons and Domestic Violence response, while Sergeant Avery is a Drill Instructor.

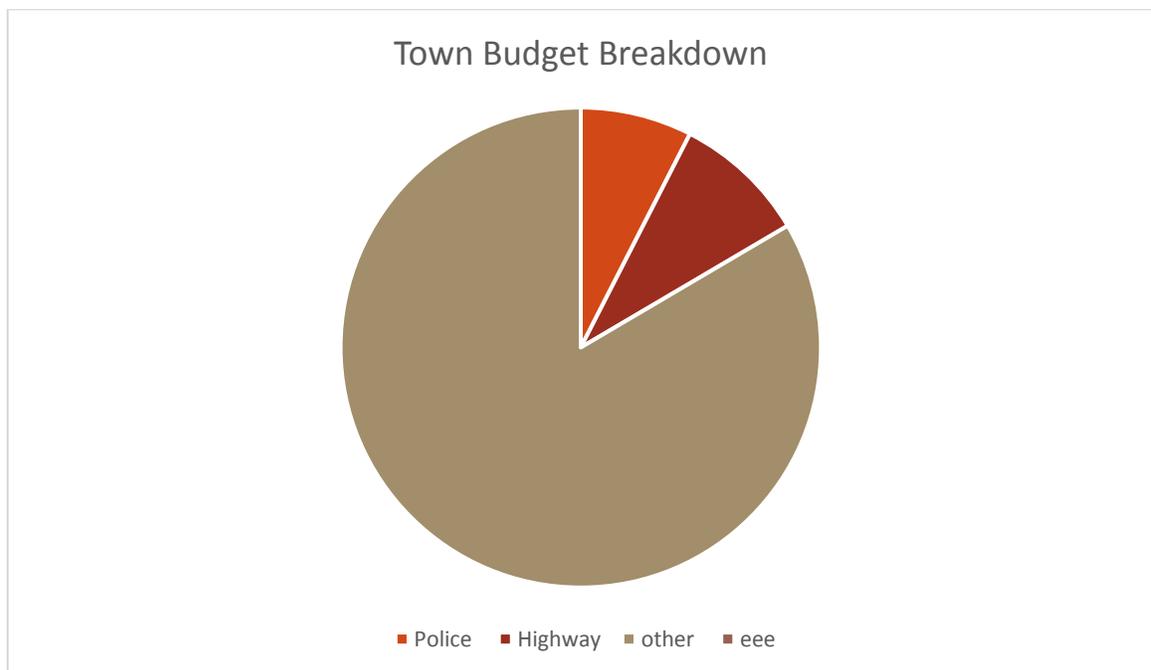


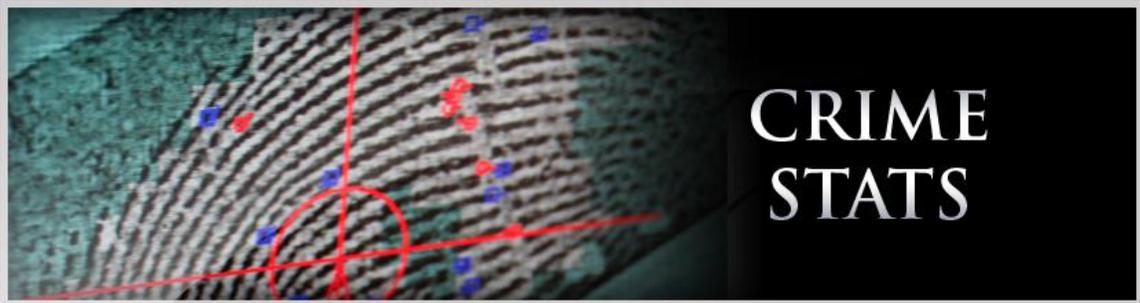
Safe Homes of Orange County works to eliminate all forms of domestic violence through education, outreach and provision of services to individuals and families affected by domestic abuse. Safe Homes believes "Every home should be a Safe Home." and collaborates with police agencies throughout the county including the Town of Crawford Police.

Chief Blasko is a member of the Safe Homes of Orange County Criminal Justice Committee and co-teaches Domestic Violence classes at the police academy with Executive Director Kellyann Koystal-Larrier. Together they present to each academy class and this year they partnered to provide in-service training at the Police Academy through a grant from Senator Larkin. This grant reimbursed municipalities, including the Town of Crawford, the cost of sending officers.

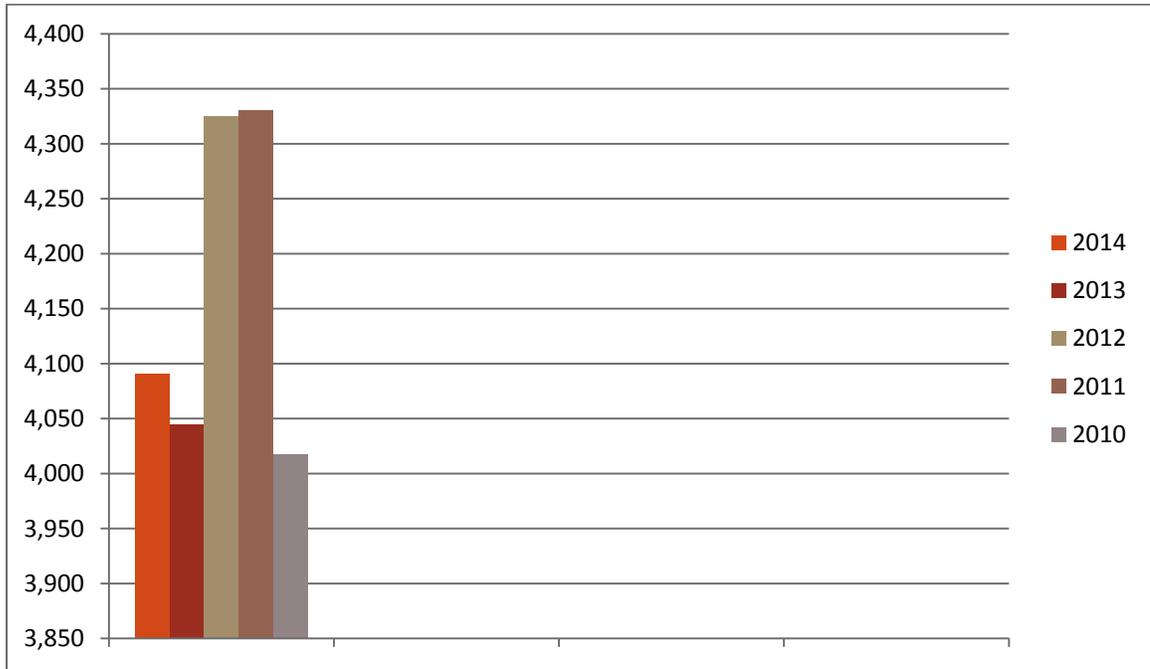
POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Budget Line Name	Cost
Police Chief Personnel Service	\$87,929.00
Police Full Time Personnel Service	\$386,549.51
Police Sergeant Personnel Service	\$165,333.71
Police Part Time Personnel Service	\$306,671.18
Police Dispatch Full Time Personnel Service	\$45,417.55
Police Dispatch Part Time Personnel Service	\$38,639.10
School Guard Personnel Service	\$21,001.22
Administrative Aide Personnel Service	\$35,639.10
Police Equipment	\$7,365.15
Police Contractual Expenses	\$82,667.49
Police Fuel Expenses	\$50,447.22
DCO Personnel Service	\$23,460.00
Control of Dogs Equipment	\$108.00
Control of Dogs Contractual Expenses	\$920.00
Total	\$1,252,148.23



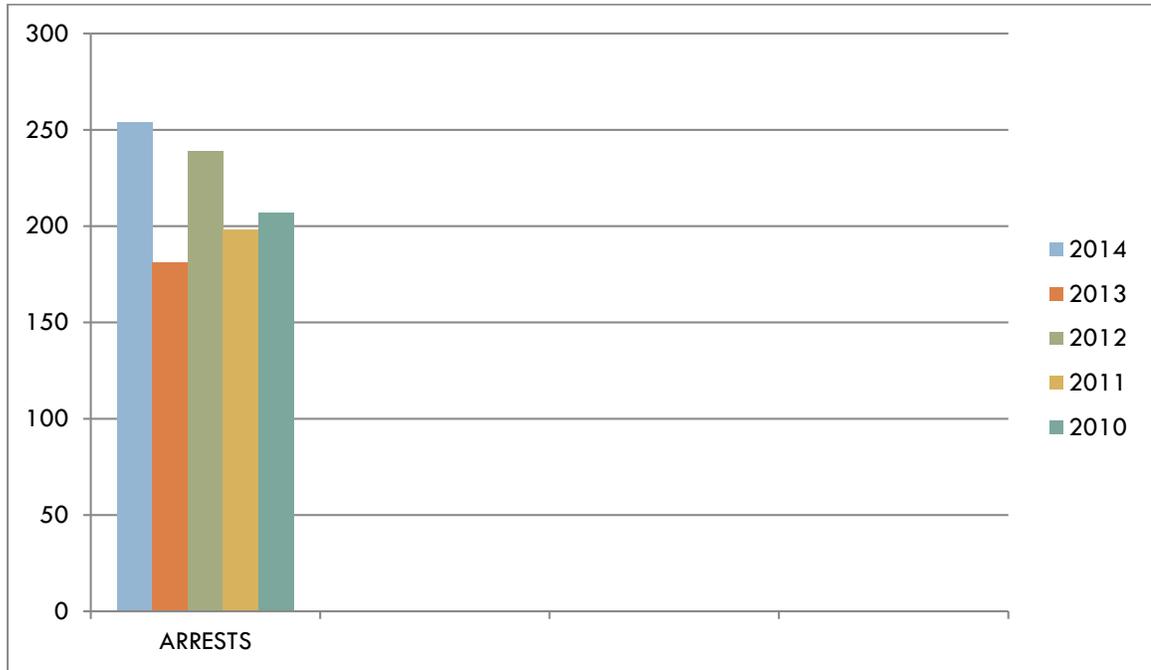


CALLS FOR SERVICE



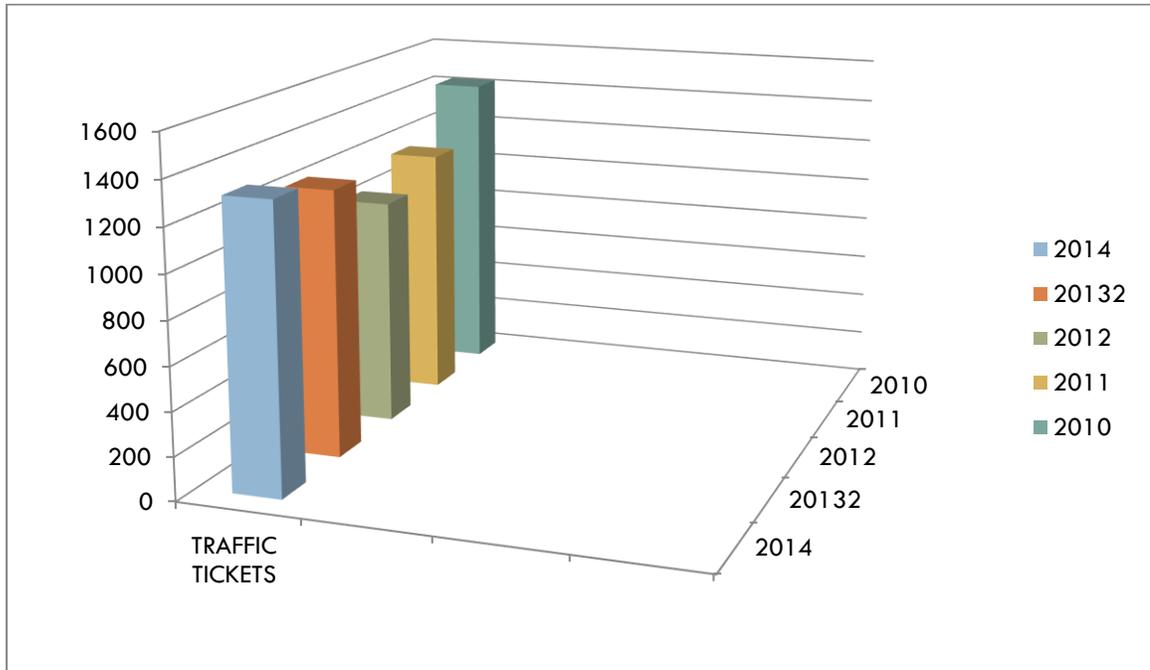
	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Calls for Service	4,091	4,045	4,325	4,330	4,071

ARRESTS



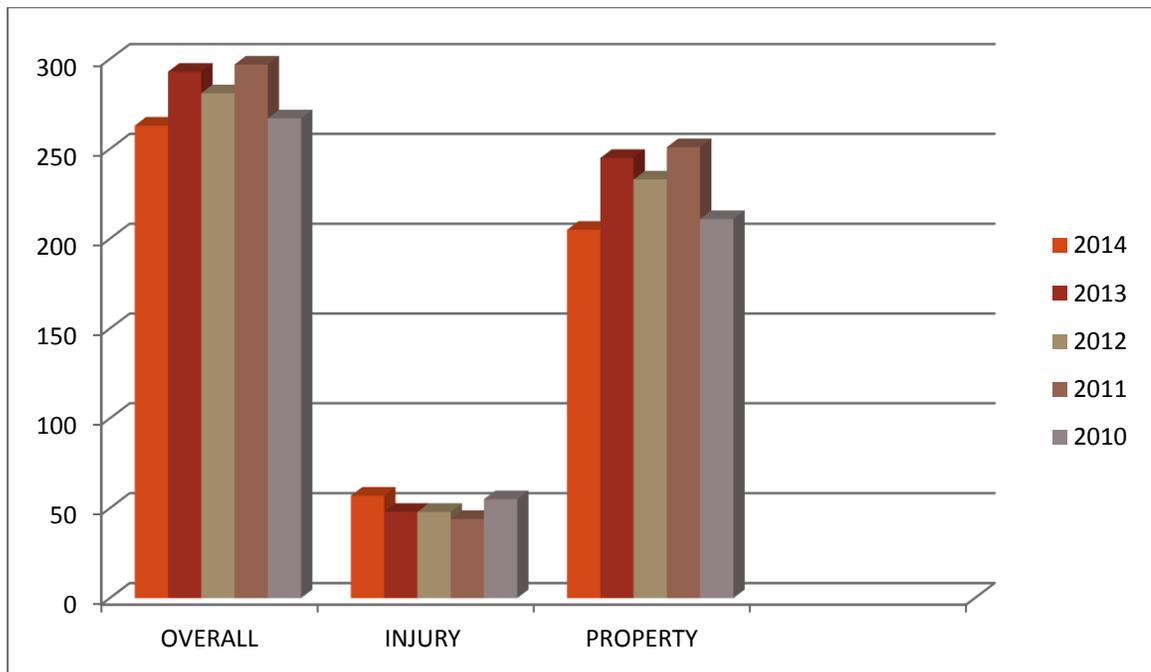
2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
254	181	239	198	207

TRAFFIC TICKETS



	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Traffic Tickets	1,311	1,229	1,052	1,166	1,426

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS



	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Traffic Accidents	263	304	292	304	280
Personal Injury	205	50	52	50	63
Property Damage	57	254	240	252	216
Fatal	1	0	0	2	1



2014 Summary Crime Data Submitted to DCJS



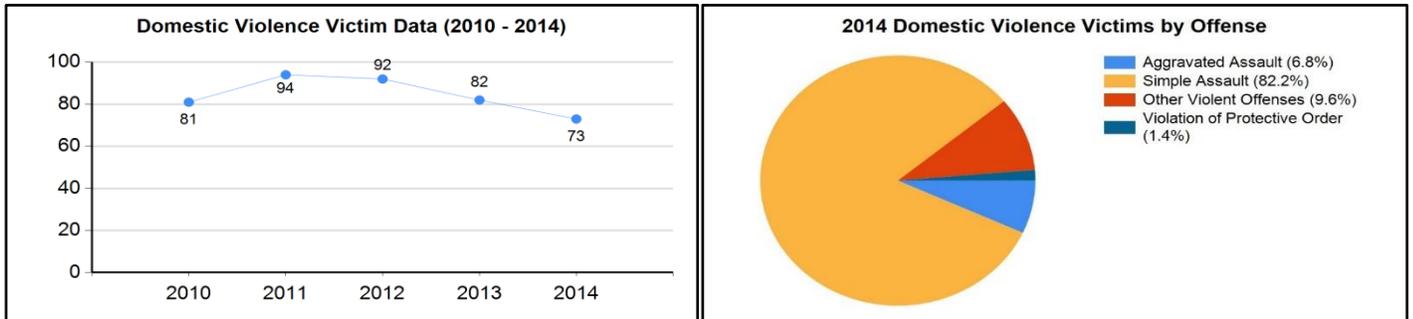
Reported Part II Offenses

Part II Offenses	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Arson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Kidnappings	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Controlled Substance Sale	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	13
Controlled Substance	0	2	0	1	3	1	1	1	3	3	1	3	19
Dangerous Weapons	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Handgun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Firearms	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Explosives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Weapons	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Extortion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Forgery & Counterfeiting	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Patronizing Prostitutes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property Possession	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coercion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal Mischief	2	5	3	4	5	5	4	5	1	3	4	3	44
Fraud	1	1	3	4	0	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	15
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Public	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	12	16	10	6	8	11	2	6	14	3	9	5	102
Offenses Against Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Driving Under Influence	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	5
Alcohol	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	5
Drugs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unauthorized Use of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Possession of Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Public Intoxication	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Loitering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	7	5	4	11	8	6	5	9	6	1	5	4	71

Domestic Violence Victim Data Annualized

		Husband by Wife	Child by Parent	Parent by Child	Other Family Relationship	Intimate Partner Female	Intimate Partner Male Victim	Total
Aggravated Assault	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	5
Simple Assault	11	3	3	10	14	16	3	60
Sex Offense	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Violent Offenses (See Below)	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	7
Violation of Protective Order	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	13	4	10	11	15	17	3	73

**** Other Violent Offenses:** Only includes the UCR Offense Categories of Murder, Coercion, Kidnapping, and Endangering the Welfare of a Child.



Reported Homicide Detail

Incident Number	Victim Demographics			Offender Demographics			Relationship	Circumstance	Weapon
	Age	Race	Ethnicity	Age	Race	Ethnicity			

Reported Hate Crime Detail

Incident Number	Incident Date	Bias Type	UCR Offense	Victim Demographics				Offender Demographics			
				Age	Sex	Race	Ethnicity	Age	Sex	Race	Ethnicity
CP-00122-14	03/10/2014	Anti-Black	Simple Assault	18	M	Black	Not Hispanic	18	M	White	Not Hispanic
CP-00149-14	03/11/2014	Anti-Jewish	Criminal Mischief	999	U	Unknown	Unknown	999	U	Unknown	Unknown