



2014 ANNUAL REPORT

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Thomas E. Mills
Sheriff

Craig S. DuMond
Undersheriff

To: Delaware County Board of Supervisors

Re: 2014 Annual Report

Our 2014 Annual Report is presented as a representation of the challenges our Office has met and reflects the perseverance of our workforce to put forth their best efforts on a daily basis.

In 2014, one of Delaware County's prime concerns was still the "heroin epidemic." It plagued families in all areas of the county and was indiscriminate in claiming victims from a broad spectrum of cultural and economic sectors. Representatives from law enforcement, health services, educational services, as well as the public at large agreed we could not "arrest" this problem. The Drug Task Force persevered to enlighten the public. The decision was made to attack drug addiction from an (1) Educational, (2) Treatment and (3) Enforcement standpoint. So invasive is this problem, that first responders from the fire service and law enforcement now routinely carry Narcan with them and frequently use it to resuscitate overdose victims. Overdoses and suicides are happening too frequently.

Our Office was taxed with an dramatic increase in crime as a result of the drug problem, but we continue to keep up with it. Our CID/K-9 unit has been very productive in locating hidden drugs. Our jail population mirrors the prevalence of addiction and has resulted in a majority of our inmates now having addiction, medical and mental illness related issues.

As the year drew to a close, we could honestly say we had made progress in attacking the problem head on. Several "key" sellers were arrested as we continued to arrest the pushers, encourage medical treatment for the users and educate the public (with special emphasis placed on enlightening the dangers of drug addiction to an increasingly "younger" (middle school) generation.)

Best regards,

DELAWARE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas E. Mills". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Thomas E. Mills
Sheriff

CODE OF ETHICS

As a Deputy Sheriff, Correction Officer or Civilian Employee of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office, my fundamental obligation is to protect the constitutional rights and freedoms of the people whom I have been sworn to serve and protect.

Although I realize the way I choose to conduct my private affairs is a personal freedom, I realize that I must accept responsibility for my actions, as well as my inactions, both on duty and off. I realize that my behavior is closely scrutinized by the public at large and that the consequences of my actions have the capability of bringing either respect or disrespect on my employer, my fellow employees and the law enforcement profession.

I vow to be truthful and honest in my dealings with others. I deplore lies and consider it to be a professional weakness to allow another's behavior to dictate my response. I will not allow others' actions or failings to excuse me from performing my duties in a responsible and professional manner.

Although I will endeavor to empathize with the people with whom I come into daily contact, I will not allow my personal feelings, prejudices, animosities, or friendships to influence the discretionary authority with which I have been entrusted. I will consciously seek ways to avoid any conflicts or potential conflicts of interest that have the capability of compromising either my official authority or the public's image.

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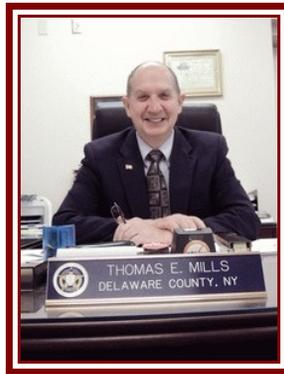
MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office to provide professional, high-quality and effective police, correctional, civil and court security services in partnership with the county residents.

The sworn and civilian employees of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office believe that their work has vital impact on the quality of life in Delaware County, N.Y.

By our commitment to professionalism, both on and off duty, we subscribe to the following values:

- * Pride
- * Integrity
- * Professionalism
- * Fairness.



MEET SHERIFF MILLS

When Sheriff Thomas E. Mills took office, he inherited an outdated 28-prisoner jail on the village square in Delhi. In 2003, that historic landmark was replaced with a new 103-bed state-of-the-art combination Public Safety Building/Correctional Facility, whose full-time staff now numbers 77.

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office and Correctional Facility exist side by side in the Public Safety Building located at 280 Phoebe Lane, Delhi, New York.

Sheriff Mills is a Marine Corps veteran, who commenced his law enforcement career with the Oneonta Police Department. He subsequently joined the New York State Police and retired as Station Commander. He later rejoined the profession as a part-time Deputy Sheriff in Delaware County. He was elected sheriff in January 1999.

Sheriff Mills is a member of the Executive Committee of the Otsedela Council of Boy Scouts of America. He is a past Master of the Margaretville Masonic Lodge and past Commander of the American Legion Post 190. He is the Commander of Post 10550 of the Veteran's of Foreign Wars in Delhi. In 2006, he was appointed to the NYS Committee for the Coordination of Police Services to Elderly Persons by then-Governor George E. Pataki. In 2007, he was invited to serve on the NYS Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan ("SCIP") Governance Evaluation Board.

Delhi, New York is the county seat of Delaware County, New York. It has a population of 48,000 inhabitants spread out over 1,468 square miles.

PROMOTIONS:



L to R: Corrections Sgt's: Cheryl Barr, Robert Pangburn ,
Shawn Sulger and Sheriff Thomas E. Mills

PRESS RELEASE

Issued March 4, 2014

At a swearing-in ceremony conducted by Sheriff Thomas E. Mills on March 3, 2014, corrections officers Cheryl Barr, Robert Pangburn and Shawn Sulger were promoted to the rank of Corrections Sergeant at the 103-bed Delaware County Correctional Facility in Delhi, New York.

The three officers were chosen from a field of worthy candidates based upon their Civil Service test scores, performance evaluations and proven work ethic. It was noted that Sgt. Barr holds the distinction of being the first female corrections sergeant in the history of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office. Lt. Harold Stanton noted that when he commenced his employment at the 28-bed jail on Delhi's village square 24+ years ago, the only ranking officer was a sergeant. Its larger successor, the Phoebe Lane facility, is supervised by a Lieutenant, First Sergeant and 6 Corrections Sergeants.

Sheriff Mills directed his closing comments concerning the historical significance of the Office of Sheriff to a warm audience comprised of the Sergeants' families and co-workers who had gathered to pledge their support and extend their congratulations.

PROMOTIONS (Continued)

To: All Members

From: Thomas E. Mills, Sheriff
Craig S. DuMond, Undersheriff

RE: SERGEANT PROMOTION - JOHN DEMEO

Date: September 12, 2014



It is our pleasure to announce the promotion of Deputy John Demeo to the rank of Sergeant effective Sunday, September 14, 2014. Sergeant Demeo will continue his assignment within the Criminal Investigations Division as well as be directly responsible for the shared supervision of the Road Patrol along with Senior Investigator Karl Vagts.

AWARDS -----



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2014 TOP GUN WINNERS



➔ CO Kyle Budine with a score of 99%

Deputy Derek Bowie
with a Score of 95% ➔



COMMENDATIONS:

“One of the best parts about my job is hearing praise being expressed for one of our employees. Often it because they have assumed added responsibilities and excelled. When this happens, a commendation is in order. Below is an example.” Sheriff Mills.



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MEMORANDUM

To: 
Sergeant Dwayne Finkle

From: Undersheriff Craig S. DuMond

Subject: Commendation

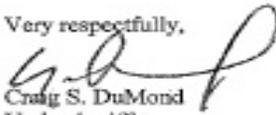
Date: August 28, 2014

Please allow this memorandum to serve as a token of my deep appreciation for a job well done during the Delaware County Fair, August 11 -16, 2014. As you are aware, the Delaware County Fair is the single most important public-relations event for the Sheriff's Office. The responsibility of supervising the detail assigned to the Fair is no small endeavor. You were charged with providing for the security and safety of more than 75,000 visitors during the six days. This involved the direct supervision of the detail as well as regular interface with the Fair Board of Directors and general public.

I was highly impressed with your diligence, professionalism and attention to detail. All assignments were handled promptly and professionally. Security issues were dealt with assertively and the deputies felt supported and appreciated. From providing excellent supervision and support, to supplying home-cooked meals for deputies, your conduct was flawless and respected by all involved. I received many positive comments from all associated with the Fair regarding how smooth our operations ran this year...all a direct credit to your performance.

Your supervision of the detail brought great credit upon yourself, the Office of the Sheriff and Delaware County. Again, I am grateful for your efforts and proud of your representation of our Office.

Very respectfully,


Craig S. DuMond
Undersheriff



Sgt. John Demeo and K-9 "Ozzie"



K-9 Officer Ozzie makes collar first day on the job and the newspapers applaud his success!

A tip: "Please don't tell me you have no drugs hidden in your auto if you do, because if Ozzie knows they are there, he will aggressively rip and tear until he uncovers them." When tested with other K-9's, he excelled in his drug detection abilities. Officer Demeo

Delaware County Deputy Sheriff John Demeo and K-9 "Ozzie" graduated with honors from the Syracuse Police Department K-9 Training Academy after nine weeks and 360 hours of training.

Be sure to check out our K-9 Unit on the Sheriff's web page to keep current with their ongoing accomplishments.

Our K-9, Osman Steele ("Ozzie") was purchased using public donations. Many individual supporters, school groups, businesses and clubs have banded together to support him. School children have baked cookies and held fund raisers to help meet his basic needs. Ozzie appreciates the trust and affection bestowed upon him and performs at optimum performance each day.

Ozzie and his basic needs are funded by your contributions.





Sheriff Mills (right) accept a \$1,000 check from

Roger Dibble (center) President of the Delaware County Highway Supervisors Association for the Delaware County Sheriff's K-9 Program as Undersheriff Craig S. DuMond (left) looks on.



Crafty Kids 4H Club of Walton baked and sold cookies (for dogs and people)

Below is a Note from Walton's Crafty Kids 4-H Club following our K-9's visit:

"Deputy John Demeo and Ozzie visited with the Crafty Kids 4-H Club in Walton, NY.

Members and guests were able to ask questions and learn about the Delaware County Sheriff's K-9 program. Deputy Demeo described how a K-9 works with the police to keep us safe. Ozzie lives with Deputy Demeo, that is, after he moved here from half way across the world at 15 months old. Ozzie is Deputy Demeo's partner. He is a very obedient dog and doesn't really need a leash. Ozzie doesn't play with the same toys that your dog at home would play with. He is considered an officer and doesn't hang out with other people or pets. Ozzie's car has some special features. If the temperature in the car gets too hot, a sensor in the car turns on the air conditioner or opens the windows if needed to keep Ozzie cool. If Deputy Demeo gets hurt or needs help, he can press a button to open the car door so Ozzie can come to the rescue. Ozzie is currently trained in locating drugs, and he will soon be trained to locate missing people. The Crafty Kids 4-H Club held a fund raiser to help pay for Ozzie's expenses like vet visits and a police vest. We are very thankful to the Sheriff's office, Deputy Demeo, and Ozzie for the work that they do in our county."

TOURS

The Sheriff's Office hosts many facility tours each year for youth groups, clubs, schools, government officials, candidates for employment and the curious.

The Sheriff's Office has hosted an increasing number of tours through the jail to provide visitors with a first-hand look at how we supervise the inmate population. The tour takes visitors through the process, from the inmate booking area through to viewing housing units where they gain first-hand insight into how inmates spend their time. It is interesting to see the variety of reactions. Some people vow never to be on the wrong side of the bars and some people indicate they could never be on the right side of the bars because they could not tolerate being boxed in for the duration of their workday. Their reactions are a constant reminder that we are lucky that we have dedicated employees who are willing to endure what others might view as inconveniences that come with the job. It takes a very focused and detail-oriented person to satisfactorily perform the duties of a correction officer. Ultimately, most people leave the tour having gained a better appreciation of their freedom, after having glimpsed how incarceration can deteriorate one's lifestyle.



SHERIFF'S WEBSITE

<http://www.co.delaware.ny.us/departments/shrf/shrf.htm>

Every year we add categories to our web page that we feel might be of interest to the general public. In 2014 we incorporated many useful self-help links and continued to provide press releases relevant to the progress we are making on our war against the proliferation of illegal drugs in Delaware County. We appreciate the tips we receive from the public regarding illegal drug trafficking. Keep them coming.

The following employees used no sick time in 2014

C. O. Ivan Brkaric
 Lt. Timothy Buckley
 Deputy Jeffrey Clark
 Deputy John Demeo
 C. O. Heather Evangelista

C. O. Heath Goff
 C. O. Robert Mantzouratos
 Investigator Joseph Mauro
 Deputy Timothy Murray
 Sgt. Jody Proffitt

Sr. Inv. Karl Vagts, Jr.



Significant Anniversaries:
 Years of Service

NAME	5 yr.	10 yr.	15 yr.	20 yr.	25 yr.
Correction Sgt. Cheryl Barr	X				
Correction Officer Terry Bergmann		X			
Deputy Sheriff Derek Bowie	X				
Correction Officer Ivan Brkaric	X				
Sgt. Dwayne Finkle, Civil Division					X
Sgt. Jody Proffitt, Road Patrol Division			X		
Lt. Harold Stanton, Chief Jail Admin.					X
C. O. Nate Weaver			X		



L to R: Chairman James Eisel, Sheriff Tom Mills, Sgt Shawn. Sulger, Undersheriff Craig DuMond

Correction Officer Shawn Sulger recognized as Employee of the Month in May 2014

Shawn Sulger began employment with the Delaware County Sheriff's Office as a temporary, per diem Corrections Officer on June 26, 2005. On September 11, 2005, he was permanently appointed as full time Corrections Officer. Shawn was promoted to Corrections Sergeant on February 16, 2014.

Shawn has demonstrated a strong sense of ownership of his assigned responsibilities and willingness to take on additional challenges. He can be counted on to give his upmost cooperation to supervisors and fellow employees and has earned the reputation as a role model and "go-to-person" for his comprehension of complex issues, especially those in the jail's classification system.

The classification system is very time consuming and complex, and mastering it requires patience, focus and attention to detail. He provides valuable information for making housing assignments, identifying possible behavioral issues and facilitates an awareness of physical and mental health concerns. Recently, the Head Nurse expressed her appreciation for the manner in which Shawn consistently prepares insightful and complete documentation which is helpful to her when dealing with medical issues.

Shawn was instrumental in revamping the jail's classification system with the NYS Commission of Corrections and his work has been recognized as a standard of excellence in the industry and one which other facilities would do well to emulate.

Although, on occasion, Shawn works in the housing unit, he is primarily assigned to Central Control and Intake. He has shown exceptional skill in performing the lengthy inmate review process which includes gathering criminal histories, incident and special reports, medical and mental health information, etc. Shawn has the ability to gain the cooperation of a wide variety of people, even those who are often experiencing extreme anxiety. Recognizing that his documentation may impact the decisions and actions made by others, Shawn completes his assignments with keen attention to detail. Detailed documentation is very important because jail logs are retained perpetually and may be referenced whenever a liability issue may arise.

What Shawn likes most about his job is the challenge of keeping everything running smoothly and in an organized manner. Sergeant Sulger is an asset to the smooth running of the jail because he is one of the first to interact with the inmates. He is polite, yet authoritative, and aware that his decorum sets the tone by which our facility is judged.



KARL H. VAGTS, Jr.

Employee of the Month - October 2014

Karl Vagts began his career in Delaware County law enforcement as a Deputy Sheriff on April 29, 1985. Recognition of his dedication and excellent performance throughout his career Karl has received with various promotions:

- May 29, 1988: Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
- August 22, 1990: Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
- January 21, 1991: Deputy Sheriff Investigator
- January 1, 2001: Deputy Sheriff Senior Investigator

In his current title, Senior Investigator Vagts serves as the Supervising Investigator in the Delaware County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division. He also supervises the Road Patrol Division, making him responsible for the overall supervision of law enforcement operations.



What Karl likes the most about his job is the diversity and mental challenge.

Each day presents new challenges and opportunities to use your resourcefulness and past experience to develop insightful solutions to complex investigations. One must be responsible and completely invested when presented with dangerous situations and assume responsibility for the safety of others.

Karl continues to be a consummate professional. As such, he was acknowledged as Delaware County's employee of the month in August, 2004, yet, he is not one to rest on his laurels. He has been challenged with conducting major investigations and supervising our Drug Enforcement unit with its challenging task of combating our county's grievous drug addiction problem. Recently he has been successful in leading investigations that netted some significant drug dealers. Karl is highly respected by his peers in the law enforcement community and has distinguished himself there by word and deed. He possesses tremendous resourcefulness and is an invaluable asset to the Sheriff's Office.

As a testament to Karl's service as a law enforcement officer, Sheriff Mills states, "In my nearly 50 years in law enforcement, I have met few individuals as trustworthy as Karl Vagts".

Karl is a devoted son and brother. His hobbies include hunting, fishing and camping in the wilderness.



FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK....



The following Press Releases from the Sheriff's Desk were issued during 2014.

	Sheriff's Office Police Benevolent Association contributes to K-9 Program	Disseminated 3/27/14
	The Sheriff's Office now has a drug drop-off Box in our Front Lobby at 280 Phoebe Lane, Delhi, NY	Disseminated 5/7/14
	Observance of New York State Sheriff's Week Sept. 21 - 27, 2014	Disseminated 8/22/14
	Potter's Cemetery Restoration Project	Disseminated 10/14/14
	Constitutional Awareness	Disseminated 10/16/16
	Victim Notification Hotline enables Text Messages	Disseminated 12/12/14
	Sheriff Mills announced he has initiated double-bunking of inmates	X-Ref/Press Release 11/25/14

March 26, 2014

FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK....



Sheriff Office and Delhi Fire Department Members, Family & Friends helped make Breakfast a success

Sheriff's Office Police Benevolent Association contributes to K-9 Program

“Charity begins at home and justice begins next door.”

Charles Dickens

It was with great pleasure that I recently accepted a check from the Deputy Sheriff's Police Benevolent Association in the amount of One Thousand Five Hundred Thirty (\$1,530.00) dollars. The money was raised at a Pancake Breakfast held at the Fire House in Delhi, New York on March 8th during a fundraiser for our Office's K-9 program.

I would like to take this opportunity to also thank everyone who participated in this event. I want to acknowledge my appreciation to all who supported it – whether financially or in word and deed. I appreciate the Delhi Fire Department's hospitality in allowing us to use their fine facility and appreciate the help of their volunteers. Personally, I enjoyed the jovial rapport between our officers and those attending. Flipping the flap jacks and serving them lent a whole new interpretation to our motto, “to serve and protect.”

The K-9 program was introduced into our Office last year. Our K-9 unit consists of Deputy Sheriff John Demeo and his trusted canine partner, Osman Steele (“Ozzie.”) One of the stipulations for installing the unit was that it be supported by private contributions. We have been humbled by the general public's generosity. Some people have offered us services; others have sent in monetary donations and school classes have baked cookies to sell. Walton's Crafty Kids 4-H'ers made and sold wonderful dog biscuits and people treats too for the cause.

The Sheriff's web page has an icon devoted to the K-9 unit's activities as well as more information about our K-9 Ozzie. We would be grateful for any donations you would care to make to our K-9 program. Please make your checks payable to the Delaware County Sheriff's Office and reference “K-9 Program” in the reference line. Our mailing address is: The Delaware County Sheriff's Office, 280 Phoebe Lane, Suite One, Delhi, NY 13753.

May 7, 2014

FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK....



The Sheriff's Office has a drug drop-off Box in our Front Lobby at 280 Phoebe Lane, Delhi, NY

I would like to thank Mallinckrodt's Hobart plant for gifting the Delaware County Sheriff's Office with a prescription drug take-back collection box. In it people may safely and legally dispose of unused or unwanted prescription drugs. The secure box is available 24/7 and conveniently located near the front door in the lobby of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office and Public Safety Building at 280 Phoebe Lane, Delhi, NY.

The box comes as a solution to the problem of what to do with left-over drugs and is especially timely since several laws have been passed in New York to increase penalties for prescription drug abuse. The box may be utilized to dispose of prescription medications. Please note: Needles and liquid medicine are not to be discarded in the box.

Boxes are becoming more widely available because they serve a useful purpose and are an easy fix to an otherwise perplexing problem. Keeping unused prescriptions is an unsafe practice for many reasons; theft and accidental ingestion foremost among them. Medicine should never be thrown away or flushed down the toilet-where it has the potential of harming others and/or the environment.

Now, more than ever, it is important not to keep unused medications in your home. I hope you will take advantage of this convenient method to safely dispose of your unneeded medications

August 22, 2014

FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK....



OBSERVANCE OF NEW YORK STATE SHERIFF'S WEEK

September 21 - 27, 2014

The Office of Sheriff has been an integral part of the criminal justice system in New York State and in Delaware County throughout our history, having been established in the State's first constitution in 1777 and having been continued in every succeeding constitution and having been one of the original constitutional offices of our County.

Despite changes in its function, status and powers during its long history, the Office of Sheriff has maintained a continuous existence, preserved its distinguishing heritage, and continued to be an essential component of our criminal justice community.

The Office of Sheriff has evolved into a modern, professional, full-service law enforcement agency, manned by fully-trained police officers, using state-of-the-art technology and applying the latest and most advanced theories and practices in the criminal justice field.

The Office of Sheriff is unique in the community, and the duties of the Office go far beyond the traditional role of "Keeper of the Peace," and extend into many facets of public service, including maintaining the county jail, providing security in our courts, dispatching emergency services, and serving and executing civil process for our courts.

As a constitutionally empowered entity directly responsible to the People, the ancient Office of Sheriff remains, even today, responsive and accountable to the public it serves.

It is fitting to celebrate the historical contributions of the Office of Sheriff and the significant role that the Sheriffs play in our modern criminal justice system.

October 14, 2014

FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK



Delhi's Potter's Cemetery

Potter's Cemetery Restoration

Project

"...The sufferings of these unfortunates from whom the air and light of heaven is shut out, would form a dark chapter of human misery could it be written."

From the Bloomville Mirror Feb. 21, 1865

Our inmate work crew routinely collects litter alongside county roadways, grooms cemeteries and paints public buildings. This spring they were asked to clear brush and debris from Delhi's Potter's Cemetery and acquired the pledge of DPW to provide clean fill to level out the sunken graves of the 377 persons recorded as experiencing eternal rest there since records began being kept in 1855.

It soon became apparent that labor and soil alone could not restore order to this all-but-forgotten tract, which is accessed by a dirt path off Arbor Hill Road, near the Golf Course maintained by SUNY Delhi.



Sheriff Mills & Alex Padovani

Once faced with the enormity of our challenge, an unspoken obligation took shape to follow it through to a successful conclusion. We have enlisted the aid of Alex Padovani, a local boy scout, who will design and build a kiosk (possibly displaying a listing of names) as his Eagle Scout project.

Providing a dignified setting for these grave sites is a symbolic act, designed to acknowledge their worth, express sympathy for their plight and accord them respect. The Lindsay and Olive B. O'Connor Foundation recently awarded us a \$2,500.00 matching grant to be used to restore order and enhance the cemetery's overall appearance. To complete this project we would like to install a kiosk and serenity garden. Once done, this forgotten cemetery will be transformed into a dignified resting place for its inhabitants, a tranquil site for reflection and a source of pride for our community. It is never too late to make an effort to set things right.

I am soliciting your support to amass the required matching grant funds. Please make your check payable to the Delaware County Sheriff's Office. Reference "Potter's Cemetery" and mail it to 280 Phoebe Lane, Suite One, Delhi, New York 13753.

October 16, 2014

FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK



“We the people are the rightful masters of both Congress and the courts, not to overthrow the Constitution but to overthrow the men who pervert the Constitution.”

Abraham Lincoln

Many of you have expressed your vexation to me regarding the systematic erosion of the US Constitution in recent years; and more particularly, the NYS SAFE ACT. In these trying times, Constitutional Awareness and Education are more important than ever. It was for the purpose of being a “citizen’s last line of defense” from tyranny (caused by an overreaching State or Federal government) that the Office of Sheriff was established in our State Constitution. As your Sheriff I am fully aware of my obligation, as a constitutional officer, to uphold (and if need be “protect”) our Constitutional rights.

In an effort to address your concerns, I am sponsoring a Constitutional Awareness Seminar, which will encompass a broad view of the Constitution, especially as originally designed by our founding fathers. It will be conducted by a local Delhi resident and businessman, Dave Clark and Undersheriff DuMond at the Sheriff’s Office, located at 280 Phoebe Lane, Delhi, New York on November 5th, commencing at 6:00 PM.

Please join us in our study of the Declaration of Independence and the original United States Constitution. In one of his “Letters” Thomas Jefferson wrote, *“I know no safe depository of the ultimate powers of the society but the people themselves; and if we think them not enlightened enough to exercise their control with a wholesome discretion, the remedy is not to take it from them, but to inform their discretion by education. This is the true corrective of abuses of constitutional power.”*

Please feel free to contact Undersheriff DuMond at 607-746-2336 with any questions you may have.

I look forward to seeing you on November 5th.

December 12, 2014

FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK



Victim Notification Hotline enables Text Messages

I am pleased to announce the availability of text message notification and an enhancement to the New York Sheriffs' Victim Hotline ("VINE".)

Crime victims need and want timely and accurate offender information to proactively ensure their personal safety and that of their families.

VINE allows crime victims to learn the custody status of an offender 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, by telephone or online. This new notification option, "SMS Text Messaging Notification," adds text messages to the existing notification options. The additional outbound notification method will be in Spanish and English.

In 2014, almost 2.8 million crime victims searched the VINE Database using either the toll free number (1-888-VINE-4-NY), the VINEMobile app, the Sheriffs Mobile Patrol App (both available for Iphone and Android), or website (VineLink.com). Also in 2014, over 100,000 crime victims received notification of a change in their offender's status either by phone or email. It is anticipated that the addition of the text messaging option will result in even more crime victims receiving timely notification of vital offender information.

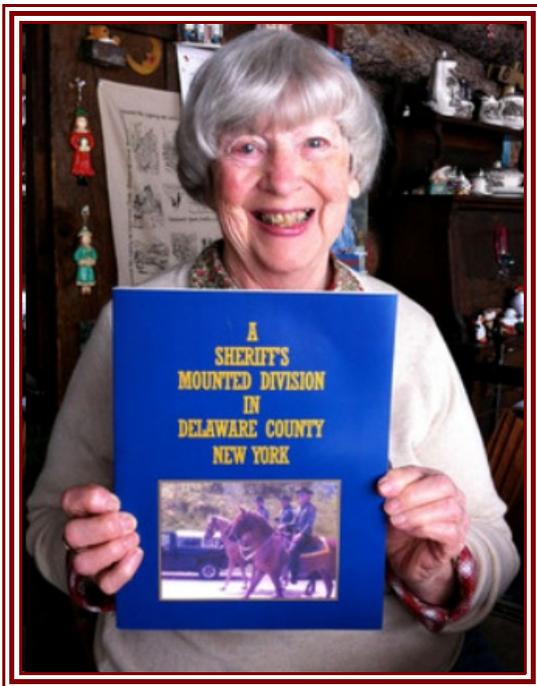
I welcome this new feature as yet another opportunity for the Office of Sheriff to better serve the public safety needs of the citizenry of Delaware County.

Mounted Patrol

Undersheriff Craig DuMond (mounted atop Romeo) supervises the Mounted Patrol at their appearances throughout Delaware County.



Photo above depicts the Delaware County Sheriff's Office's Mounted Patrol "back in the day."



Bernice Telian, local Historian, author and former wife of a long-time Delaware County Sheriff, Levon ("Stretch") Telian, has published a book memorializing the Delaware County Sheriff's Department Mounted Division entitled, "A Sheriff's Mounted Division in Delaware County, New York."



The Sheriff's Mounted Patrol participates in the annual County Fair in Walton, NY. Come out and say, "Hello."



CIVIL DIVISION

The Civil Division of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office is supervised by Sgt. Dwayne Finkle and is responsible for, but not limited to:

- * The service of Notices, Summons, Subpoenas, Petitions and Orders;
- * Warrants of Eviction;
- * Income and Property Executions;
- * Seizures and Warrants of Civil Arrest; and
- * Court Orders and Contempt of Court.

Collections are done via income executions (wage garnishments) and property executions, which authorize the Sheriff to seize property and then sell it at a Sheriff's sale. The sale proceeds are then applied to satisfy the judgment.

Members of the Civil Division actively participate in the NYSSA conferences and Civil Schools, keeping current with changes to State laws and meeting on-going educational requirements which are prescribed by the New York State Sheriff's Association.

In 2012, the civil Division purchased Soft Code Civil Service, a state-of-the-art civil process system dedicated to the development of civil process automation software for Civil departments.

2014 Stats

Total Papers Served: 528 **Total Property Executions: 4**
Total Income Executions: 446 **Orders of Protection Served 132**

Pistol Permits: In: 291 Out 274

Description	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total Fees	\$56,060.22	\$ 54,887.67	\$49,019.69	\$41,538.33	\$42,355.92	\$33,546.90	\$38,341.88
Total Poundage	29,156.42	29,290.55	33,441.90	37,832.11	33,155.11	39,859.16	\$47,118.84
Total Revenue	85,216.64	84,178.22	81,481.85*	79,370.44	75,511.03	73,406.06	\$85,460.72
Revenue Comparison		-1.94%	-3%	-3%	-5.07%	2.86%	0.1642

* Numbers add up to \$82,461.59 - \$979.74 differential based upon necessary computer function.



COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Remember: A person can dial 911 from any cellular telephone even if it is not active. All that is needed is power and a signal.

Civilian Dispatchers provide around-the-clock-coverage in the Communications Division. They utilize the state-of-the-art CAD system to enter all information received from a 911 or non-emergency caller into the computer by a Dispatcher. The CAD tracks all information, including the time the call was received and the time it was dispatched. Such data is then available for future reference and as information to units responding to the same address on subsequent calls for service. The Dispatchers respond to a wide variety of situations with poise and professionalism.

An accounting of the calls taken for the Delaware County Sheriff's Office during 2014 follows:

For: Delaware County Sheriff's Office		<u>Event</u>	<u>Responses</u>
<u>Event</u>	<u>Responses</u>		
911 Hang Up Call	65	Animal - Animal Comp Other	78
911 Open Line	5	Animal - Acting Rabid	14
Abduction/Possible Abduction	1	Arrest	48
Administration Matter	3	Arson	1
Aid - attempt to Locate	17	Assist DSS Endanger Welfare	1
Aid - Check Welfare	108	Assist DSS	7
Aid - Assist Citizen	54	Assist Fire Department	4
AID - EMS	35	Assist Motorist	1
Alarm Activation	15	Assist OT Police Agency	27
Animal - Animal Bite	1	Assault - Simple Assault	21
Animal - Cattle Complaint	32	Assault-Vehicular Assault	1
Animal - Dog Complaint	41	Assault - Weapon Assault	2
Animal Unusual Behavior Threat	1	ATV MVA	3
		Bad Check	14
		Bomb Threat/Explosion	2

<u>Event</u>	<u>Responses</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Responses</u>
Burglary Report Only	44	Gun/Weapon-Person w/Gun	2
Burglary in Progress	10	Gun/Weapon - Shots Fired	7
Civil Matter	359	Harassment - Agg Harassment	12
Civil Matter - Process Serving	260	Harassment - Complaint	157
Code Enforcement	1	Harassment - Stalking	4
Court /Trial	29	Hazardous Conditions	3
Custody Dispute	22	Hold Up Alarm	4
Cyber Crime - Child Pornography	2	Identification, False, Altered	1
Cyber Crime - Fraud/Sc	2	Information Only	21
Death-Notification of	1	Investigation	120
Death-Unattended Death	4	Landlord/Tenant Dispute	19
Deer Jacking Complaint	1	Larceny - From Mailbox	1
Dispatch Deer	37	Larceny - Report Only	93
Disturbance/Crim Mischief	29	Larceny - From Vehicle	1
Disturbance-Crim Nuisance	3	Lockout Residential	1
Disturb-Disorderly Conduct	20	Littering	2
Disturb-Neighborhood Trouble	62	Lost Plate/Destroyed	48
Disturbance - School Violence	1	MHL Danger to Self or Others	76
Domestic Report Only	45	Mental Health Pickup	10
Domestic-Endanger WelChild	2	Missing Child	5
Domestic in Progress	135	Missing Person	9
Drill, Training	5	Motor Vehicle Accident Fatal	1
Drug/Alchl Complaint	26	Motor Vehicle Acc Personal Injury	22
Electronic Intrusion Device	174	Motor Vehicle - ACC Prop Damage	205
Encon Violation(s)	2	Motor Vehicle Acc - Snowmobile	1
Evidence Relay	7	MVA - Car/Deer	109
Failure to Comply	1	Noise - Loud Party	25
Fairground Duty	1	Non-Priority Rec'd on 911	1
Fight in Progress	29	Open Door	9
Fire - Involving Motor Vehicle	7	Order of Protection Service	115
Fire Works	5	Order of Protection Violation	25
Followup	348	Parade Detail	1
Fraud - Complaint	27	Passed Stopped School Bus	9
Fraud - Computer	2	Pistol Permit Investigation	36
Fraud - Criminal Impersonation	1	Pistol Permit suspension	5
Funeral Detail	4	Prisoner Relay	44
Gas Leak or Emergency	1	Project Lifesaver	15
Grass/Brush Fire	4	Property Check	552
Gun/Weapon - Accident Wound	1	Property Dispute	16
Gun Retrieval	5	Property Found	7

<u>Event</u>	<u>Responses</u>
Property Lost	5
Property Retrieval	47
Property Stolen	10
Range	1
Road Blocked	18
Road Damaged	2
Road Flooded	5
Road Icy or Snowy	1
Road Schedule Probation	1
Robbery/Hold Up In Progress	1
Runaway Child	3
School Detail	111
Sex Ofns - Rape	7
Sex Ofns - Registered Info	2
Sex Ofns - Sexual Abuse	8
Special Detail	51
Structure Fire	18
Subject Not Breathing	24
Subpoena Grand Jury	8
Suspicious Package	1
Suspicious Person/Activity	67
Suspicious Vehicle	30
Test of the System	3
Theft of Services	4
Transport	29
Traffic Detail	12
Trespass in Progress	39
Trespassing	52
Traffic Stop	1,636
Under Age Party	3
Unknown Type Fire	7
V & T Violations	7
Vandalism	25
Vehicle - Abandoned Vehicle	9
Vehicle-All Terrain Vehicle	11
Vehicle - Car Blocking	18
Vehicle - Car Disabled	84
Vehicle Erratic Operator	61
Vehicle - Motorcycle Complaint	2
Vehicle Repossession	6
Vehicle Stolen - File 1	7
Vehicle - Unauthorized Use	5
Warrant - Civil	6

<u>Event</u>	<u>Responses</u>
Warrant - Criminal	69
Warrant - Criminal Summons	24
Warrant - Family Court Warrant	9
Warrant-Fugitive from Justice	1
Warrant - Probation Warrant	3
Warrant - Search Warrant	1

Sheriff's Office Total Event Response = 6,663

Following is a list of calls handled by our Dispatchers in 2014 for other Agencies:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Total Event Response</u>
Colchester Town	1,107
DEP Downsville	243
DCCF Jail	921
Deposit Village	8
Delhi Village	1,842
District Attorney	80
Hancock Village	1,863
Roxbury Town	159
Sidney Village	17
SUNY Delhi College	224
Walton PD	2,401
NY State Police	470
Delaware County Probation	633
NYS ENCON	68
Forest Ranger	4

TOTAL CAD INCIDENTS INCLUDED 15,524

Response Total: 16,640
(Totals include 6,663 for Sheriff's Office)

Note: When selecting multiple departments, calls will be calculated once for all departments that responded.

ADMINISTRATION:

The Administration Division is responsible for the overall management of the Sheriff's Office, which includes:

- * Budget/Accounting
- * Legislative Initiatives
- * Operations Management
- * Personnel & Payroll
- * Policy and Procedures
- * Purchasing
- * Strategic Planning
- * Training



The Delaware County Sheriff's Office participates in many programs designed to keep our citizens safe, which include:



“RU OK” is an automated process which telephones participants who live alone. It is offered free of charge to the citizens of Delaware County

Each morning (at a pre-arranged time) the Sheriff's Office checks in on the participants by placing an automated call.

- * If the phone call is not answered, another attempt is made to contact the participant by telephone.
- * If unsuccessful, an Officer is dispatched to the location.

Those interested in participating in this program may fill out the RU Okay Application Form and submit it to the Sheriff's Office. The form is available on our website or one may be obtained by calling the Sheriff's Office Communications Division at 746-2336 and asking for same.



Project Lifesaver - a proactive response which helps to locate wandering patients before they fall victim to the elements, accidents, or predators is administered by Sgt. Dwayne Finkle

According to their web site, “Project Lifesaver has over 1,200 participating agencies across the U.S., Canada, and Australia, and has performed over 2,600 searches in the last 13 years with no serious injuries or fatalities ever reported.”



*Promoting victim
rights in the
Empire State*

VINE NY

1-888-VINE-4NY

The Victim Information and Notification Service (“VINE”) was created in 1994 following the murder of Mary Byron in Louisville, KY. She and her parents had asked to be notified when Mary’s ex-boyfriend was released from jail. They were never told that he was released, and this man murdered Mary on her 21st birthday. Today, the New York Sheriffs’ Victim Hotline delivers an average of 90,198 phone calls and 7,024 e-mail notifications to registered victims each year in the State of New York.

The Delaware County Sheriff’s Office supports VINE. It is administered by the Correctional Division of the Delaware County Sheriff’s Office.

YELLOW DOT PROGRAM

(This program is offered free of charge.)
Personal Medical Info Sheet & Decal

Every Decal in every automobile should be similarly placed on the lower left side of the left rear side window.

In your home, the decal should be placed near front entrance.

Every packet of medical information should be placed either in the glove compartment of an automobile or in the freezer compartment of your refrigerator.

Please contact us to request the authentic bright yellow decals and yellow information form/folders.

You may want to order multiple kits; for use in your home(s) and automobile(s.)



Each year we note with appreciation the grant funding extended to us, which gives us the opportunity to purchase state-of-the-art equipment for our Office.

GRANT AWARDS:

Federal Crime Control:	
Bulletproof Vest Grant Award	\$10,004.24
Invest Partnership Vest Award	2,850.00
Homeland Security FY14	25,000.00
for in-car camera systems	
Constitution Pipeline:	
Automatic External Defibrillator (“AED”) Unit fundraiser. Grant award	20,000.00
O’Connor Grants:	
Restore Order to Potter’s Field Cemetery	2,500.00
Purchase AED’s	5,000.00
Police Traffic Safety Program Gr	9,455.00



SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY: DELAWARE COUNTY

Monitoring the current whereabouts of convicted sex offenders living in Delaware County is one of our top priorities. Another is promoting community awareness. Our county Sex Offender Registry is monitored and maintained by Investigator Joseph Mauro who has the responsibility of collecting and maintaining current contact and location information for all convicted Sex Offenders who reside in Delaware County.

Refer to the Sheriff’s website for a link to access sex offenders in **Delaware County**.

http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/SomsSUBDirectory/search_index.jsp



Harold ("Fred") Stanton, Chief Jail Administrator



1st Sgt. John Lehmann

CORRECTIONS DIVISION

This past year we had nine (9) reportable incidents, four of which required the use of OC. This is a relatively small amount for the numbers we keep in this facility I still believe that the conduct of our staff and the professionalism they display on a daily basis in the discharge of their duties is the main factor in keeping this number to a minimum.

In 2014, we processed in 1,952 inmates, 220 more than last year. Of those processed in, 682 were new bookings, 58 more than last year. Among those inmates committed to this facility, we had 757 jail-related transports. This figure is above our average of 700 transports since we are in our new facility. As with most counties, our population has been down which directly accounts for 6 less transports than last year and naturally more income from boarding in inmates.

The time we spent on transports was quite considerable. If a minimum time spent on each transport averaged only two and a half hours, it would add up to more than 2,000 hours per year. That would keep one transport officer involved in a transport every minute of his work day for the year if the transports could be done one at a time with one inmate and one Officer. In reality, the majority of our transports are multiple, in different directions and require more than one Officer. This still has a large affect on our overtime budget.

In the year 2014, we billed out boarding fees in the amount of \$223,117.94 which amounts to \$350,819.00 less than last year, to other Counties which include: Broome, Sullivan, Jefferson and the U. S. Marshall's service. This lower total reflects the fact that there was less of a need for spaces for boarders. Many Counties have built or are in the process of building new jails and each time that occurs it takes away that County's need to board inmates out and adds another County that can board inmates in.

Overall, since we opened for borders eleven years ago, we have taken in \$3,388,160.00s in boarding fees alone. Even though this facility is not considered an income-producing facility, we can still produce revenue for the County.

Other revenue generated this past year adds up to another \$50,356.45 – bringing the total revenues generated in 2014 by the Jail to \$273,474.39. This does not include monies received from the State for transporting State inmates.

TRANSPORTS

Description	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Mental Health	8		6	1	4	3	7	8	8	8	5	2
Medical	96	69	198	160	140	178	195	193	160	204	142	101
Dental	47	62	56	83	92	88	88	58	79	36	76	65
Funeral	--	3	1	3			2	1	3	---	2	1
County/Supr eme Court	196	165	139	145	158	136	144	191	123	162	204	168
Family Court	14	16	24	42	25	32	27	22	28	80	47	53
Other Courts	283	251	192	244	234	225	252	253	229	235	231	324
Other Corr. Facilities	757	11	34	29	42	43	42	53	40	36	28	27
Work Detail				5						7	9	6
Relay w/other Agency				4	1	3	2	3		2	---	---
Transport by Other Agency	2				9	4	17	7		---	---	---
Federal Transports					11	22	31	4		19	19	10
TOTALS	1403	577	650	716	716	734	807	793	670	789	763	757
YEAR	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014

INCOME PRODUCED FROM JAIL FOR THE YEAR 2014

BOARDING IN TOTALS										
2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
125,475	367,275	567,450	452,100	354,075	187,985	174,420	134,960	237,366	563,937	223,117

Total: \$3,165,043.00

REVENUE FROM U.S. MARSHALL'S SERVICE FOR TRANSPORTING INMATES								
2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	TOTAL
\$3,472	\$9,252	\$11,667	2,164	---	7,932	10,652.48	14,556	\$59,696.

“Other” jail-related revenue accounted for \$42,459.79.

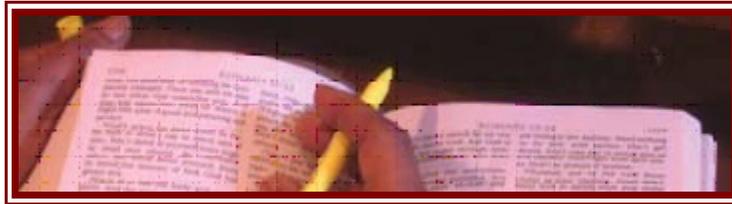
There's always a first.....

First Female Delaware County Correction Officer Sergeant, Cheryl Barr





Our **Medical Division** provides a necessary service to the health and welfare of our inmate population. RN Mary Lou Oliver supervises our in-house staff. We have a doctor “on call” and a resident RN on premises, along with part-time LPN assistance.



CHAPLAINS

The Delaware County Sheriff’s Office Chaplaincy is made up of volunteer chaplains who have faithfully served us for many years. They include: Yetzchak S. Bernath, Joel Gold, John Grenier, Derek Johnson, Elliott Oakes and Kristine Warren.

The chaplains have made numerous hospital calls. They have also worked with families who have experienced tragic events in their lives. They help provide resources and conduct weddings when asked.



Direct supervision: At the Delaware County Correction Facility, correction officers work inside the cell block with the inmates 24 hours a day, without any separation from them. This concept provides for active and continuous supervision of the inmates to better manage those inmates who have committed less serious offenses.

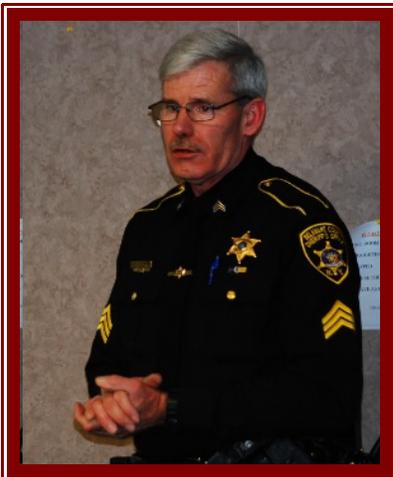
FOOD PREPARATION:

Our Chief Cook supervises the kitchen staff. A great savings was realized when we decided to augment our meals by utilizing some partially-prepared courses prepared by the Dept. of Corrections in Albany. Of course, our staff still prepares the bulk of meals and “special orders” required by medical conditions and religious beliefs.

CORRECTION ACADEMY - CLASS OF 2014



Front row: Kyle Budine, Bryan Drayton, Lorrelle Hudson, Maria DeSilva, Michelle Cortellessa, Jonathan Welch, Edward Brennan Back Row: Roger Hubbard, David Reed, David Mondore, Chase Hotaling, Keenan Kelly, Luke Weaver, Jennifer Barry Black Uniforms worn by Delaware County; Gray Uniforms worn by Otsego County officers.



**Delaware County
Law Enforcement Academy
Sgt. Jody Proffitt, Director**

Delaware County Sheriff's Office

Delhi, New York 13753

Sheriff's Annual Report of Year 2014

I. Inmates in Custody End of Last Year Midnight 01/01/2014

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL	
1. County Census ----->>	██████	49	██████	12	██████	61
2. Housed In ----->>	██████	10	██████	0	██████	10
3. Total Census ----->>	██████	59	██████	12	██████	71
4. Housed Out ----->>	0	██████	0	██████	0	██████
5. Out Count ----->>	0	██████	0	██████	0	██████
6. Total Count ----->>	0	0	0	0	0	0
7. Count ----->>	██████	59	██████	12	██████	71

II. Inmates Received from Courts of this County this Year (Co. Adm)

A. Sentenced to this facility (Initial entry)	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Convicted of Felony ----->>	11	3	14
2. Convicted of a Misdemeanor ----->>	21	9	30
3. Convicted of Other Offenses ----->>	7	4	11
4. Subtotal ----->>	39	16	55

B. Sentenced to this facility (Status Changed - unsentenced - sentenced)	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Convicted of Felony ----->>	6	0	6
2. Convicted of a Misdemeanor ----->>	28	8	36
3. Convicted of Other Offenses ----->>	7	1	8
4. Subtotal ----->>	41	9	50

C. Total Sentenced to this Facility	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Add A(4) + B(4) from above ----->>	80	25	105

D. Remanded to <u>this</u> Facility (by securing order)	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Held for Felony ----->>	158	57	215
2. Held for Misdemeanor ----->>	196	79	275
3. Held for Other Offenses ----->>	53	10	63
4. Total Remanded to this Facility ----->>	407	146	553

E. Total County Inmate Admissions this	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Add A(4) + D(4) from above ----->>	446	162	608

III. Inmates Admitted and Housed for Other Jurisdictions This Year (Housed In)

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Other County's Inmated (SJO) ----->>	4	26	30
2. State Inmates ----->>	12	1	13
3. Federal Inmates ----->>	12	8	20
4. Other ----->>	0	1	1
5. Total - Housed for Other Jurisdictions ----->>	28	36	64

IV. Total Inmates Recieved in this Facility from all Sources

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Add Item II(E) and Item III(5) ----->>	474	198	672

V. Inmates Discharged from this Facility this Year

A. County Inmates

- 1. Expiration of Sentence ----->>>
- 2. Released/Transferred by order of Court ----->>
- 3. Transferred to DOCS (States Readies) ----->>>
- 4. Other (Death/Escape) ----->>
- 5. Total - County Inmates Discharged ----->>>

MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
96	28	124
298	111	409
37	12	49
1	0	1
432	151	583

B. Other than County Inmates

- 1. Boarders Discharged (SJO) ----->>>
- 2. Parole Violators (Returned to DOCS) ----->>
- 3. Parole Violators (Releases from detainer) ----->>>
- 4. Federal ----->>>
- 5. Other (Death/Escape/Transits/etc) ----->>>
- 6. Total - Other than County Inmates Discharged ----->>>

MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
13	34	47
13	1	14
2	0	2
7	1	8
0	0	0
35	36	71

C. Total Inmates Discharged from This Facility

- 1. Add Item A(5) and Item B(6) ----->>>

MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
467	187	654

VI. Inmates Temporarily Housed Out To other Jurisdictions this Year

A. Housed Out to:

- 1. Other Counties (SJO) ----->>>
- 2. Mental Health Facility ----->>>
- 3. Admitted to Medical Hospital ----->>>
- 4. Other ----->>>
- 5. Total Housed Out ----->>>

MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1	0	1
0	0	0
0	0	0
0	0	0
1	0	1

B. Returned From:

- 1. Other Counties (SJO) ----->>>
- 2. Mental Health Facility ----->>>
- 3. Admitted to Medical Hospital ----->>>
- 4. Other ----->>>
- 5. Total Returned ----->>>

MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1	0	1
0	0	0
0	0	0
0	0	0
1	0	1

VII. Inmates in Custody End of This Year Midnight 12/31/2014

- 1. County Census ----->>>
- 2. Housed In ----->>>
- 3. Total Census ----->>>
- 4. Housed Out ----->>>
- 5. Out Count ----->>>
- 6. Total Count ----->>>
- 7. Count ----->>>

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. County Census	63	23	86
2. Housed In	3	0	3
3. Total Census	66	23	89
4. Housed Out	0	0	0
5. Out Count	2	1	3
6. Total Count	2	1	3
7. Count	64	22	86

Table 1

Length of Sentence To This Facility
County Inmates

DAYS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS
1-3	0	1	1
4-6	0	0	0
7-9	0	0	0
10-12	1	2	3
13-15	10	3	13
16-18	1	0	1
19-21	0	0	0
22-24	1	0	1
25-27	0	0	0
28-30	0	2	2
31-33	0	0	0
34-36	0	0	0
37-39	0	0	0
40-42	2	0	2
43-45	1	0	1
46-48	0	1	1
49-51	1	0	1
52-54	0	0	0
55-57	0	0	0
58-60	3	2	5
61-63	1	0	1
64-66	0	0	0
67-69	0	0	0
70-72	0	0	0
73-75	0	0	0
76-78	0	0	0
79-81	0	0	0
82-84	1	0	1
85-87	0	0	0
88-90	1	1	2
91-93	0	0	0
94-96	0	0	0
97-99	0	0	0
100-102	0	0	0
103-105	0	0	0
106-108	0	0	0
109-111	0	0	0
112-114	0	0	0
115-117	0	0	0
118-120	0	0	0
121-123	2	0	2
124-126	0	0	0
127-129	0	0	0
130-132	0	0	0
133-135	0	0	0
136-138	0	0	0
139-141	0	0	0
142-144	0	0	0
145-147	0	0	0
148-150	0	0	0
151-153	3	0	3
154-156	0	0	0
157-159	0	0	0
160-162	0	0	0
163-165	0	0	0
166-168	0	0	0
169-171	1	0	1
172-174	0	0	0
175-177	0	0	0
178-180	1	1	2
181-183	8	0	8
Sub. Tot	38	13	51

DAYS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS
184-186	5	0	5
187-189	0	0	0
190-192	0	0	0
193-195	0	0	0
196-198	0	0	0
199-201	0	0	0
202-204	0	0	0
205-207	0	0	0
208-210	0	0	0
211-213	0	0	0
214-216	0	0	0
217-219	0	0	0
220-222	0	0	0
223-225	0	0	0
226-228	0	0	0
229-231	0	0	0
232-234	0	0	0
235-237	0	0	0
238-240	0	0	0
241-243	0	1	1
244-246	1	0	1
247-249	0	0	0
250-252	0	0	0
253-255	0	0	0
256-258	0	0	0
259-261	0	0	0
262-264	1	0	1
265-267	1	0	1
268-270	0	1	1
271-273	2	0	2
274-276	4	1	5
277-279	0	0	0
280-282	0	0	0
283-285	0	0	0
286-288	0	1	1
289-291	0	0	0
292-294	0	0	0
295-297	0	0	0
298-300	0	0	0
301-303	2	1	3
304-306	5	2	7
307-309	0	0	0
310-312	0	0	0
313-315	0	0	0
316-318	0	0	0
319-321	1	0	1
322-324	0	0	0
325-327	0	0	0
328-330	0	0	0
331-333	0	0	0
334-336	0	2	2
337-339	0	0	0
340-342	0	0	0
343-345	0	0	0
346-348	0	0	0
349-351	0	0	0
352-354	0	0	0
355-357	0	0	0
358-360	0	0	0
361-363	0	0	0
364-366	20	3	23
Sub. Tot	42	12	54

of Intermittent Sentences

MALE	FEMALE
9	5

Column 1 Sub. Tot.

TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS
	38	13	51
	80	25	105

TOTALS-MUST BE EQUAL TO ITEM II - C, ON PAGE 1

Table 2 Length of Stay To This Facility

DAYS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS
1-3	151	60	211
4-6	49	17	66
7-9	24	8	32
10-12	14	4	18
13-15	8	7	15
16-18	12	4	16
19-21	9	5	14
22-24	9	4	13
25-27	10	2	12
28-30	4	1	5
31-33	3	1	4
34-36	3	1	4
37-39	3	1	4
40-42	3	1	4
43-45	4	3	7
46-48	5	2	7
49-51	4	3	7
52-54	2	1	3
55-57	2	0	2
58-60	4	1	5
61-63	2	2	4
64-66	2	1	3
67-69	0	0	0
70-72	4	0	4
73-75	2	0	2
76-78	3	0	3
79-81	2	0	2
82-84	0	2	2
85-87	1	1	2
88-90	3	1	4
91-93	2	1	3
94-96	3	0	3
97-99	0	2	2
100-102	3	1	4
103-105	3	0	3
106-108	3	0	3
109-111	0	0	0
112-114	1	0	1
115-117	4	0	4
118-120	5	1	6
121-123	4	1	5
124-126	2	1	3
127-129	1	0	1
130-132	1	0	1
133-135	3	0	3
136-138	0	1	1
139-141	3	1	4
142-144	2	0	2
145-147	0	0	0
148-150	0	1	1
151-153	0	0	0
154-156	1	0	1
157-159	3	0	3
160-162	0	1	1
163-165	1	1	2
166-168	0	0	0
169-171	0	1	1
172-174	0	1	1
175-177	2	0	2
178-180	6	0	6
181-183	2	1	3
Sub. Tot	397	148	545

County Inmates

DAYS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS
184-186	3	0	3
187-189	1	0	1
190-192	0	0	0
193-195	1	0	1
196-198	2	0	2
199-201	3	2	5
202-204	1	0	1
205-207	1	0	1
208-210	0	0	0
211-213	0	0	0
214-216	2	0	2
217-219	2	1	3
220-222	0	0	0
223-225	2	0	2
226-228	2	0	2
229-231	1	0	1
232-234	1	0	1
235-237	1	0	1
238-240	0	0	0
241-243	8	0	8
244-246	0	0	0
247-249	0	0	0
250-252	0	0	0
253-255	1	0	1
256-258	0	0	0
259-261	0	0	0
262-264	0	0	0
265-267	0	0	0
268-270	0	0	0
271-273	0	0	0
274-276	0	0	0
277-279	0	0	0
280-282	0	0	0
283-285	0	0	0
286-288	0	0	0
289-291	0	0	0
292-294	0	0	0
295-297	1	0	1
298-300	0	0	0
301-303	0	0	0
304-306	0	0	0
307-309	0	0	0
310-312	0	0	0
313-315	0	0	0
316-318	0	0	0
319-321	0	0	0
322-324	1	0	1
325-327	0	0	0
328-330	0	0	0
331-333	0	0	0
334-336	0	0	0
337-339	1	0	1
340-342	0	0	0
343-345	0	0	0
346-348	0	0	0
349-351	0	0	0
352-354	0	0	0
355-357	0	0	0
358-360	0	0	0
361-363	0	0	0
364-366	0	0	0
367+	0	0	0
Sub. Tot	35	3	38

TOTALS MUST BE EQUAL TO ITEM V-A, ON PAGE 2

Column 1 Sub. Tot.

TOTAL

397 148 545

432 151 583

County Inmates
Age When Admitted

Table 3

AGE	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS	AGE	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS
<16	0	0	0	37	8	2	10
16	9	0	9	38	9	5	14
17	15	1	16	39	7	1	8
18	18	1	19	40	10	4	14
19	20	3	23	41	10	3	13
20	14	2	16	42	5	4	9
21	29	2	31	43	3	3	6
22	20	9	29	44	6	5	11
23	13	1	14	45	4	2	6
24	22	10	32	46	6	2	8
25	17	10	27	47	1	1	2
26	10	8	18	48	7	2	9
27	17	8	25	49	3	0	3
28	19	9	28	50	0	1	1
29	17	8	25	51	2	1	3
30	16	7	23	52	5	2	7
31	13	7	20	53	2	3	5
32	19	2	21	54	6	2	8
33	13	7	20	55	3	1	4
34	11	5	16	56	1	1	2
35	13	2	15	57	3	1	4
36	11	11	22	58>	9	3	12
Sub. Tot	336	113	449	Sub. Tot	110	49	159
Column 1 Sub. Tot.					336	113	449
TOTAL					446	162	608

Table 4
RACE

RACE	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS
White	405	153	558
Black	29	7	36
Am. Ind.	1	0	1
Asian	3	0	3
Other	8	2	10
Totals	446	162	608

Table 5

ETHNIC ORIGIN	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS
Hispanic	63	13	76
Non-Hispanic	383	149	532
Totals	446	162	608

AGE, LITERACY, RACE, & ETHNIC ORIGIN TOTALS MUST EQUAL ITEM II - E, ON PAGE 1.

OF TIMES COMMITTED TO THIS FACILITY

Table 6

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTALS	
	Sen.	Unsen.	Sen.	Unsen.	Sen.	Unsen.
1st	106	424	36	154	142	578
2nd	7	112	5	37	12	149
3rd	0	17	3	10	3	27
4th	0	8	0	0	0	8
5th	0	0	0	0	0	0
6th	0	0	0	0	0	0
7th	0	0	0	0	0	0
8th	0	0	0	0	0	0
9th	0	0	0	0	0	0
10+	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	113	561	44	201	157	762

2014 ANNUAL REPORT VERIFICATION WORKSHEET

As explained on page 22 of the Annual report Guidelines Manual, the following worksheet provides formulas that will verify your admission number reported on the 2014 Annual Report. The table and line numbers are taken from pages one and two of the annual report.

1. COUNTY CENSUS

- I. 1. County Inmates Midnight 12/31/2013
- Plus II. E. Total County Inmate Admissions 2014
- Minus V. A.5. Total County Inmates Discharged 2014
- Equals VII. 1. County Inmates Midnight 12/31/2014

			Male	Female	Total
a. Line I.1.	County Census 2013		<u>49</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>61</u>
b. Plus II.E.	County Admissions 2014	+	<u>446</u>	<u>162</u>	<u>608</u>
	c. Subtotal		<u>495</u>	<u>174</u>	<u>669</u>
d. Minus V.A.5.	County Discharges 2014	-	<u>432</u>	<u>151</u>	<u>583</u>
	e. Equals	=	<u>63</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>86</u>
f. Line VII.1.	County Census 2014		<u>63</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>86</u>

LINE e. AND LINE f. SHOULD BE THE SAME NUMBERS.

2. HOUSED IN

- I. 2. Inmates Housed In On 12/31/2013
- Plus III. 5. Total Inmates Housed in 2014
- Minus V. B.6. Total Housed In Discharges 2014
- Equals VII. 2. Inmates Housed In on 12/31/2014

			Male	Female	Total
a. Line I.2.	Housed In 12/31/2013		<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10</u>
b. Plus III.5.	Housed In During 2014	+	<u>28</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>64</u>
	c. Subtotal		<u>38</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>74</u>
d. Minus V.B.6.	Housed Ins Discharged	-	<u>35</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>71</u>
	e. Equals	=	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
f. Line VII.2.	Housed In 12/31/2014		<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>

LINE e. AND LINE f. SHOULD BE THE SAME NUMBERS.

3. TOTAL CENSUS

I. 3. Total Census (County and Non-County) 12/31/2013
 Plus IV. 1. Total Admissions (County and Non-County) 2014
 Minus V. C.1. Total Discharges (County and Non-County) 2014
 Equals VII. 3. Total Census (County and Non-County) 12/31/2014

			Male	Female	Total	
a.	Line I.3.	Total Census 12/31/2013	59	12	71	
b.	Plus IV.1.	All Admissions 2014	+	474	198	672
		c. Subtotal	533	210	743	
d.	Minus V.C.1.	All Discharges 2014	-	467	187	654
		e. Equals	=	66	23	89
f.	Line VII.3.	Total Census 12/31/2014	66	23	89	

LINE e. AND LINE f. SHOULD BE THE SAME NUMBERS.

4. HOUSED OUT

I. 4. Inmates Housed Out 12/31/2013
 Plus VI. A.5. Total Housed Out 2014
 Minus VI. B.5. Total Housed Outs Returned 2014
 Equals VII. 4. Inmates Housed Out 12/31/2014

			Male	Female	Total	
a.	Line I.4.	Housed Out 12/31/2013	0	0	0	
b.	Plus VI.A.5.	Housed Out 2014	+	1	0	1
		c. Subtotal	1	0	1	
d.	Minus VI.B.5.	Returns 2014	-	1	0	1
		e. Equals	=	0	0	0
f.	Line VII.4.	Housed Out 12/31/2014	0	0	0	

LINE e. AND LINE f. SHOULD BE THE SAME NUMBERS.

2014 Police Traffic Services Grant Report

Prepared by Sgt. Jody S. Proffitt

Consistent with New York State's goal of reducing motor vehicle crashes, injuries and deaths, the Police Traffic Services grant program funds police agencies to conduct traffic law enforcement for motorist violations based on agency jurisdictions traffic and crash data. Participation in the Click It or Ticket mobilization is a required activity.

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office was awarded a \$9,445.00 Police Traffic Services Grant for Personal Services from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for 2014. The grant ran from October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014. Sheriff Deputies utilized funding from this grant for 333 hours of Traffic Enforcement throughout the year. Sheriff's Deputies participated in the Statewide Operation Safe Stop and Click it or Ticket May Mobilization, and conducted Traffic Enforcement Details and Safety Road Checks during the 2014 grant period.

During Traffic enforcement details Sheriff's Deputies issued vehicles 380 Traffic Tickets.

- 94 - Aggressive Driving,
- 154 - Speeding,
- 12 - Seatbelt,
- 6 - Aggravated Unlicensed Operation (A.U.)
- 1 - Passing a Stopped School Bus,
- 1 - Consumption of Alcohol in a motor Vehicle,
- 1- Unlicensed Operator, and
- 111- Other Vehicle & Traffic Law violation tickets

Also, during enforcement hours Deputies arrested individuals for:

- 1- DWAI Drug Arrest
- 1- Driving While Ability Impaired by Alcohol
- 1- Unlawful Possession of Marijuana
- 1- Possession of a Hypodermic Instrument
- 1- Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree (heroin)

Sheriff's Deputies also participated in two multi-agency Safety Road Checks, one with the Sidney Police Department and New York State Police during the Click It or Ticket It mobilization and the other a Safety Road Check with Village of Hancock Police Department.

Operation Safe Stop

Operation Safe Stop seeks to promote school bus safety through education and enforcement efforts. Operation Safe Stop is a cooperative project supported by the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, the New York State Education Department, the New York Association for Pupil Transportation, the New York State School Bus Contractors Association, the student

transportation industry and state, county, city and local law enforcement agencies.

On March 4, 2014, Sheriff's Deputies participated in the Statewide Operation Safe Stop. Deputies coordinated with the School Transportation Official to identify the problem areas on the bus route. Deputies were assigned to Delaware Academy Central School, Deposit Central School, Downsville Central School, Franklin Central School and Stamford Central School.

During the morning School Bus Route, the school bus was followed from when the first student was picked up to the school. During the afternoon School Bus Route Sheriff Deputies followed the school bus from the school until all students were dropped off at home.

Sheriff Deputies expended 32 hours, initiating 11 traffic stops and issuing 4 traffic tickets during Operation Safe Stop. One driver was issued a traffic ticket for Overtaking and passing the school bus during the afternoon by the Deputy assigned to the Franklin Central School bus route.

The State-wide Operation Safe Stop report and Data results can be viewed by going to [Http://www.safeny.ny.gov/OperationSafeStopDay-Data4-3-14.pdf](http://www.safeny.ny.gov/OperationSafeStopDay-Data4-3-14.pdf)
<http://www.safeny.ny.gov/2014SafeStopReport-FINAL.pdf>

Seatbelt Enforcement:

“Buckle Up New York” campaign May 21 through June 3

Seat belts are the most effective safety feature ever invented and have helped save thousands of lives. Sadly, one in five Americans fails to regularly wear a seat belt when driving or riding in a motor vehicle.

Sheriff's Deputies participated in the Statewide “CLICK IT OR TICKET IT” mobilization from May 21 through June 3, 2014 as required by the grant. During the May Mobilization that ran from May 21st through June 3rd, Sheriff's Office Deputies issued 17 traffic tickets for seatbelt violations.

On May 24, 2014, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM the Delaware County Sheriff's Office participated in a multi-agency Seatbelt Check with the Village of Sidney Police Department and NYS Troopers on State Highway 8 in the Village of Sidney. Sheriff's Deputies issued two tickets for using a mobile phone while operating a motor vehicle. Sheriff's Deputies issued two tickets for no or improper seatbelt for those aged between 8-15. At the end of the Seatbelt Check Point, a vehicle approached and in the rear seat were 2 children who were not in car seats. Sheriff's Deputies held the vehicle at the checkpoint until a family member brought car seats to the check point. Sheriff's Deputies issued 19 traffic summonses, Sidney Police issued 12 and NYSP Troopers issued 7 during the Seatbelt Check. The Pre Survey resulted in an 86% use rate and the Post Survey Results were 92% use rate.

Fatal Accident:

On August 21, 2014, Deputy Murray was assigned to Police Traffic Services Grant from 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM. At about 10:00 AM, a 911 Priority call of a motor vehicle accident with entrapment and vehicle on fire was dispatched. Deputy Murray was about 10 minutes away from the accident. He responded to the scene assisting with extrication of 4 individuals from the vehicle that was on fire. The driver of the second vehicle was deceased. Deputy Murray spent the remaining 8 hours with the Fatal Motor Vehicle Accident Investigation

Safety Check Point:

On Friday evening, September 5, 2014, members of the Delaware County sheriff's Office and Village of Hancock Police Department conducted a joint Traffic Safety Check on State Highway 97 in the Village of Hancock that was funded by the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee Police Traffic Services grant.

During this safety check a total of four arrests were made and 18 traffic tickets were issued.

Alcohol and Drug Offenses:

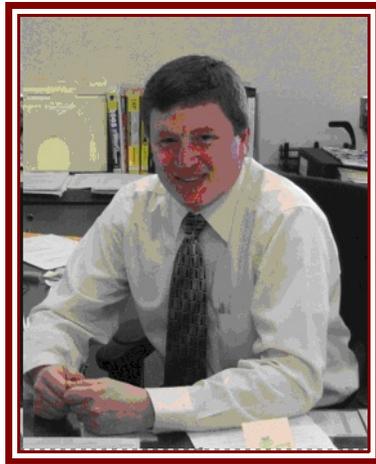
- 1 Consumption of Alcohol in a Motor Vehicle
- 1 Driving While Ability Impaired by Alcohol
- 1 Unlawful Possession of Marijuana
- 1 Possession of a Hypodermic Instrument
- 1 Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree (heroin)

Hancock Police Department

- 2 Arrests for Unlawful Possession of Marijuana
- 6 UTT's



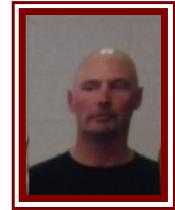
Sgt. Jody Proffitt



Lt. Timothy Buckley



Sgt. John Demeo



Sr. Inv. Vagts

ROAD PATROL DIVISION

Deputy Sheriffs assigned to the Road Patrol Division respond to calls for service from the general public. They have a diversified caseload, covering everything from animal nuisance complaints to homicides. Each deputy works four (4) ten (10) hour shifts. Since our County is remote and has no major cities, each deputy takes his car home so that he can respond readily to incidents near his residence – even when he is not on duty. The deputies interview victims, witnesses, and alleged suspects; write crime incident reports; and, when necessary, take people into custody and transport them to jail. As appropriate, the deputies refer cases to one of our Office’s investigators for further action. The deputies also testify in later court trials concerning their cases.

STEP GRANT AWARD:

STEP” is an acronym for Selective Traffic Enforcement Program, which refers to planned enforcement activities targeting identified crash causing traffic violations and/or behaviors at their specific times and places of occurrence. Fatalities and personal injuries resulting from motor vehicle

Monthly Activity - Road Patrol Criminal Division													
Descript.	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Traffic Summons	54	46	35	62	79	83	75	264	211	49	135	92	1185
No. of DWI's	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	2	0	2	5	15
No. of Arrests Violations/ Mis/ Felony	36	33	44	25	35	54	33	51	60	51	46	29	497
Property Checks	49	35	36	39	30	35	47	53	40	37	80	52	533

Monthly Activity - Road Patrol Criminal Division													
Assist Other Agencies	18	12	18	17	17	15	9	20	26	20	15	17	204
Traffic Stops	84	99	94	112	104	119	82	397	198	103	166	149	1,707
No. Calls Answ'd	370	369	505	488	490	562	636	611	611	514	548	562	6,266
Miles Patrolled	27,938	25,097	29,168	29,705	27,802	33,122	31,985	33,738	34,590	30,649	30,135	29,833	363,762

* *Tickets issued on 74% of all traffic stops.

STATS			
Description	2013	Change from 2012	
			Felonies up 20%
Calls for Service	6,829	Up 20%	Misdemeanors - Up 24%
Emergency 911 calls answered	1,418	Up 35%	Violations and traffic tickets 824 (from 1,596 in 2012)
Cases Opened	3,228	Up 158%	430 Motor Vehicle Accidents - Up 19%
Arrests	408	Up 36%	

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

Criminal Investigations are performed by Senior Investigator Karl H. Vagts., Jr. and Sgt. John Demeo. They are responsible for the in-depth investigation of serious crimes reported to the Delaware County Sheriff's Office, detection and arrest of criminal offenders, stolen property recovery, and the administration of records pertaining to each investigation.

Investigator Mauro has an ambitious workload, performing the duties of:

- * **Narcotics Investigator**
- * **Armorer/Weapons Training**
- * **Sex Offender Registry Officer**





Drug Enforcement Unit

Weed grows tall in Delaware County. Pictured is a typical marijuana plant confiscated during a raid. Each summer the Civil Air Patrol identifies growing fields from the air and alerts us of their location. We locate it, confiscate it and destroy it.

DRUG TASK FORCE

Heroin and narcotic prescription drugs top the list of those drugs most popular and available in Delaware County. Recently it has become mandatory that doctors and pharmacists access websites to check to see if a patient already has a prescription for narcotic drugs, before giving them another. This action was devised to eliminate the duplication of prescriptions as a source for supplying dealers with an inventory of pills to sell. One June 18, the New York Senate passed the Public Assistance Integrity Act, which prohibits welfare recipients from spending the benefits assigned to their ATM cards for alcohol, tobacco and lottery tickets. That act has stalled in the New York Assembly. Most drug-related arrestees in Delaware County are the recipients of public assistance.

DELAWARE COUNTY 2014 INDICTMENTS AND SCI's						
<u>Agency</u>	<u>Total Defendants</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>No Known Drug/Alcohol Involvement</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Drug Sale/Possession</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Delaware Cty Sheriff's Office	43	35.5%	14	32.6%	29	67.4%
NYSP	33	27.3%	33	100%		
Sidney PD	22	18.2%	16	72.7%	6	27.3%
Walton PD	7	5.8%	7	100%		
DSS	5	4.1%	5	100%		

DELAWARE COUNTY 2014 INDICTMENTS AND SCI's						
Delhi PD	4	3.3%			4	100%
CNET	4	3.3%	4	100%		
Hancock	2	1.7%	2	100%		
Colchester	1	0.8%	1	100%		

NARCOTIC TIP LINE

We installed tip line at 888-914-9111 on the Sheriff's web page. Tips remain anonymous, but are promptly directed to our investigators. Even though all calls will remain confidential, we encourage you interaction with our investigators to provide them with the crucial information they need to make a difference.



Additionally, if you use a smart phone, we have also established a free Sheriff's application where you can leave tips. Search "Sheriff's Mobile Patrol...Delaware County NY" for more information.

It is very heartening to realize that the website the Sheriff's Office maintains on the Delaware County, NY web page is actually utilized by so many people. With that having been said, I realized that it is very possible that our website has the potential for being better utilized if a greater number of people knew that one of its purposes is to provide an exchange of information, rather than merely portraying a snapshot of the activities conducted at our office.

We are very excited about the creation of a Drug Task Force for Delaware County. We are even more excited about our human services stakeholder agencies and elected officials' willingness to be a part of tackling this problem. I firmly feel that through collaborative and comprehensive planning we can realize success by combining enforcement, education, treatment, and prevention together in a unified effort toward the common good. If you have any questions or would like to be a part of our initiative, please feel free to contact me or Undersheriff Craig DuMond at 607-746-2336.

NOTABLE CASES IN 2014:



BYSTANDERS WORKED FEVERISHLY TO SAVE THE LIVES OF 4 BRONX WOMEN TRAPPED IN BURNING JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE ON A COLCHESTER ROAD FAR FROM TOWN AND HAVING NO CELL SERVICE

On August 21, 2014 , 48-yr. Old William Sharpless was driving south on Cat Hollow Road when his Isuzu Amigo was struck by a Jeep Grand Cherokee driving on the wrong side of the road, operated by 30-year old Bronx resident Crest Wood.

When our closest Deputy, Timothy Murray, was alerted of the accident he was 10 minutes away. Meanwhile, at the accident scene thick black smoke poured from beneath the Jeep's hood and 4 women were trapped inside. One woman was unconscious in the backseat and the other 3 were seriously injured. Unfortunately, when checked upon, Mr. Sharpless was deemed unresponsive.

Two motorists stopped to render assistance. One tried breaking while the other ran to nearby house to enlist help. A neighbor was and gave the rescuer her splitting maul. Civilians broke window with it removed trapped driver. All four women were pulled to safety by the Deputy Murray arrived. There is no doubt in anyone's mind that fire would have claimed the womens' lives if the passersby, now a dozen in number, hadn't worked together as a team to remove the women. When interviewed concerning this incident, Undersheriff Craig DuMond noted that the civilians were heroic. "If ordinary people had not responded, the accident would have claimed more lives. The civilians also helped direct traffic around the accident while first responders worked."



a window calling 911 and time

BICYCLE HELMETS:

Recently the Bicycle Helmet Safety Institute tested both inexpensive (\$20) and pricey (\$150.) helmets and concluded that both provided comparable impact protection. It is very important to find a helmet that fits well and is positioned to give you maximum protection should you be in an accident.

The pricey helmets just may provide an easier fit, more vents and stylish graphics. But the inexpensive models "get the job done." The Sheriff's Office routinely solicits funding to support giving away bicycle helmets.



EVIDENCE COLLECTION

In addition to her road patrol duties, Deputy Sheriff Kim Smith oversees our Evidence Division. She is responsible for processing the data collected at crime scenes. With the aid of state-of-the-art computer equipment, she identifies, documents, and secures a wide variety of evidence. Her duties in this regard include:

- * Documenting evidence collected at a crime scene, using photo and

video depiction.

- * Collecting evidence to include fingerprints and footprint development.
- * Preparing a well-organized set of field notes in preparation of a written report and subsequent trial testimony.
- * Submitting physical evidence for further forensic analysis, including DNA .
- * Assisting fellow law enforcement officers regarding crime scene evidence processing.

- * Preserving evidence until such time as it is ready to be returned to the owner or destroyed.



Sheriffs' Summer Camp Sponsored by the New York State Sheriff's Association Institute

The Sheriff's Summer camp on Keuka Lake in Yates County can be a life-changing experience, and has been for 37 years for many of the 840 children/week who have attended a week-long, all-expense paid vacation there during one of the six weeks it is in operation each summer.

They must be doing something right, because the campers come home and tell their friends about it and word spreads and every year the busses are packed taking more children to camp. Many children dread surpassing the 12-year age restriction, and so, plan a life that entitles them to come back as a counselor.

At first, many of the children are apprehensive. Many have never been away from home. Many have never visited the country or stayed in a cabin. Ultimately, they abandon their electronic devices and allow themselves to dive headfirst into new experiences, skills and friendships.

Eight to ten children share a cabin with a minimum of one senior and one junior counselor. Each day begins with an invigorating dip in the lake, followed by tidying up the cabin, and enjoying a nourishing breakfast. Then it's off to attend one of the two classes a camper gets to select, such as: canoeing, kayaking, sailing, hiking, swimming, football, basketball, cheerleading, archery and many more. Campers choose one water-based course and one land-based course.

During their stay, each camper is challenged to take a six-mile hike to the summit of a hill that overlooks Keuka Lake where a historic church built at the turn of the century presides over the landscape.

After lunch, campers have an hour of quiet time to watch a movie, play board games or just get ready for a busy afternoon. There are no classes in the afternoon. Each child may spend an hour doing land activities and an hour for water recreation.

After dinner, the evenings are devoted to participating in games that task each individual. Children also work together on teams to accomplish a common goal.

In addition to sports, many children enjoy participating in skits or performing in a talent show.

Deputies from Sheriffs' offices across the state put on a variety of demonstrations, and introduce the children to their K-9 (canine) or equine partners.

At the end of their stay, all children are awarded a diploma for their participation in a program of "Good Citizenship and Law Enforcement studies."

The camp experience is made possible by generous financial contributions from the public and hard physical labor by members of the Sheriffs' Association and Sheriffs' Offices throughout the state.