

# **ANNUAL REPORT - 2007**









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## **DELAWARE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

PO Box 326, Courthouse Square Delhi, New York 13753



Thomas E. Mills *Sheriff* 

Douglas O. Vredenburgh *Undersheriff* 

Re: Delaware County Sheriff's Office - Annual Report 2007

To: The Delaware County Board of Supervisors:

When looking back upon the year 2007, one cannot help but reflect upon the gun battle that played out in a lovely old farmhouse in Arkville. After a State Police Trooper was shot while performing a routine traffic stop near a convenience store/gas station in Margaretville, on August 24<sup>th</sup>, an exhaustive manhunt was engaged to locate the fugitive, Travis Trim. Search parties were formed and the brotherhood of law enforcement officers descended upon the area. After toiling through the night., they located the perpetrator the next day, holed up in a farmhouse. A gun battle ensued which left him dead, along with State Police trooper David C. Brinkerhoff., who was a member of the Mobile Response Team, and mortally wounded by a fellow Team member. At the end of the day the house was engulfed in flame, as a result of the use of tear gas, and another State Police Officer had been badly injured. It was the stuff of which Hollywood movies are made, and this law enforcement office's biggest dread.

For the second year in a row, Mother Nature unleashed her wrath upon Delaware County in the form of unexpected and violent rainfall.. On June 19<sup>th</sup>, a flash flood washed away homes, cars and four inhabitants in the Colchester area. After the flood, exhaustive efforts were made to find the missing, bury the dead and repair the road damage. We can only hope that the rule of "three" will not prevail.

We are not always the recipient of dismay. Once in a while we do get lucky. That's what happened on the morning of November 27<sup>th</sup>, when we made the most lucrative cocaine seizure (estimated street value: \$50,000) in our Office's history on the campus of SUNY-Delhi at just the right time – before it was distributed. Had it not been intercepted, it could have provided an estimated 1,000 doses.

Respectfully submitted,

DELAWARE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Thomas Mills, Sheriff



#### 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.

#### **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.

In my position, I hold the inherent expectation that the public's trust is well placed in my capability and good judgment. I do not take this trust lightly. As long as I remain in my position, I will dedicate myself to preserving this trust and in so doing uphold and promote the lofty ideals established by the law enforcement profession.

I deplore half-truths that mislead or fail to fully inform those who are dependant upon my honesty. I will obey those very laws that I have sworn to uphold. I will seek affirmative ways to comply with the standards of my department and the lawful directions of my supervisors.



# MAJOR EVENTS IN 2007



#### Traditional:

Each year officers from the Delaware County Sheriff's Office provide security to the Delaware County Fair in Walton. In 2007 the Fair drew 79,719 visitors and our police presence was appreciated as well as our efforts to assure that alcoholic beverages were not consumed at the Fair. Fair week affords an opportunity for the general public to become acquainted with individual members of the Sheriff's Office in an informal environment.

#### The Arrogant:

Some urban myths, are just that: myths. Take the one about hiding something in plain sight, which pertains to three separate marijuana seizures spotted by the same officer, while on patrol:

On September 12<sup>th</sup>, Deputies seized 133 marijuana plants, assorted drug paraphernalia, four unlawfully possessed handguns and eight rifles and shotguns when they executed a search warrant in Meredith. Three marijuana patches growing within sight of a road resulted in the arrests of the alleged gardeners who opted for convenience over practicality when they decided to grow a patch of marijuana plants next to their front porch.

At another Meredith residence, Deputies seized 23 marijuana plants, as well as assorted drug paraphernalia when marijuana was spotted growing in a small garden less than 100 feet from the road.

In Stamford, third-degree criminal possession of marijuana and unlicenced cultivation of cannabis charges were levied by deputies who seized several marijuana plants, drug paraphernalia, more than 20 rifles and shotguns and a four-wheel ATV, as a result of spotting a 6 or 7 foot high marijuana plant growing behind a shed, right next to the road.

#### Progressive:

This year we were the recipients of grant funding which allowed us to acquire a license plate reader and digital video recorders for our patrol cars. Each year we endeavor to keep our officers equipped with the latest technology with which to perform their duties.

#### In-house theft:

Civil Clerk Julie Pietrefesa resigned after being charged with second-degree falsifying business records and pleading guilty to stealing funds from the Delaware County Sheriff's Office.



#### **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION**



The Criminal Investigation Division of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office is staffed by Senior Investigator Karl H. Vagts., Jr., who is 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

# Narcotics Investigation Division



The Narcotics
Investigation Division is staffed by Investigator
Joseph Mauro, who is also our agency's
Armorer.





# Delaware County

# Delaware County Department of Social Services SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT PO BOX 269 - 111 Main Street Delhi, New York 13753

William R. Moon Commissioner



Mark A. Hamilton
Director

#### 2007 Report

This Unit performs nine (9) distinct functions within the Department of Social Services. They are:

- 1. Criminal Investigations
- 2. Support Enforcement
- 3. Support Collections
- 4. Child Abuse and Maltreatment Joint Investigation Project
- 5. School Safety Response Project
- 6. Building and Field Security
- 7. Automated Finger Imaging
- 8. Confidential Investigative Services for District Attorney's Office
- 9. Confidential Pre-Employment Background Investigations

#### Our staff during 2006 consisted of:

- (1) Director of Investigations
- (1) Supervising Investigator
- (2) Senior Social Services Investigators
- (2) Social Service Investigators
- (1) Support Collection Supervisor
- (2) Child Support Investigators
- (1) Program Specialist



Staff within the titles of Social Services Investigator, are certified/trained police officers that are Deputies within the Delaware County Sheriff's Office. These officers routinely handle: Law Enforcement Referrals sent to the Sheriff's Office from the State's Central Registry, cases involving juveniles, Mental Hygiene Intervention, Domestic Violence cases, School Safety Programs, Child Protective cases, Building Security, Sex and Violence-related cases and Delaware County preemployment cases.

#### **INVESTIGATIONS UNIT**

The function of this Unit is to investigate complaints from the public or from other internal program areas regarding the integrity of all Assistance cases (i.e., Temporary Assistance, Medicaid, Food Stamps, Energy Assistance (H.E.A.P.), Daycare, as well as, service providers & vendors). Other more specialized cases are regularly assigned.

A grand total of **938** cases were investigated during 2007, of which **614** of these cases were Front-End Detection (**FEDS**) cases. Front End detection is a system of examining and investigating assistance cases before these cases are certified and money expended thereby avoiding costly recovery costs. These investigations begin with an in-house interview and conclude with a field visit to the home. These in-home interviews, at times, uncover other concerns or needs and help assure those in need are serviced appropriately. In 2007 the total FEDS savings were **\$173,412.00**.

The Investigative Unit is also responsible for mental health crisis intervention that involves investigation and assessment that may possibly result in protective custody and transport of individuals exhibiting mental health problems. With the closing of A. O. Fox Hospital's Crisis Intervention Center transports were made to Binghamton General Hospital or Bassett Hospital. This unit took 57 individuals into custody pursuant to sections §9.41 or §9.45 of the Mental Hygiene Law, a decrease of **24%** from 2006. The total arrests for 2007 were **108**.

#### SUPPORT COLLECTION & ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The function of these two units is to establish paternity and support obligations, to enforce these orders, change them appropriately and finally collect and disburse payments. During 2007, our average caseload was **2,832**. There were **2,562** (**90%**) cases attributable to the general public with the remainder having Department of Social Services involvement.

A total of \$4,753,175 was collected between January 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2007, an increase of 5.59% from the previous year. A total of \$451,062.74 was collected to offset temporary assistance grants—an increase of 5.8%. Of this money, the first \$50.00 collected on behalf of the temporary assistance client is disbursed directly to them each month. A total of \$12,419.31 was disbursed in this manner. The remainder is retained by the Department of Social Services.



A total of **1,687** petitions were filed during 2007. A comprehensive review of all cases was begun during 2003 to determine availability of medical insurance/payments and modifying orders to include medical provisions. Presently **71%** of the support orders contain provisions for medical support. An accurate savings amount cannot be calculated unfortunately, yet in today's world of ever-rising medical costs it is obvious that the savings are enormous.

Our recovery project to identify and recover costs in agency cases for the birth and confinement of newborns and/or other medical costs continued during 2007. A total of \$561,995.47 was established as recoverable in 2007. A total of 285 cases were audited and reviewed with 56 petitions court being filed orders issued by the Family Court. A total of \$209,221.69 was collected during 2007, approximately the same amount as last year. This amount continues to grow.

The Investigative Unit is responsible for service of legal process. During 2007, this unit served 663 civil papers – a decrease of 18% from last year's total.

# CHILD ABUSE AND MALTREATMENT JOINT INVESTIGATION PROJECT

A collaborative effort between the Department of Social Services, Sheriff's Office and District Attorney's Office was begun at the end of 1997 and continued through 2007, to proactively and aggressively investigate physical abuse, sexual abuse domestic violence and other crimes involving families and children. A total of 92 cases were investigated during 2007 representing a decrease of 29% from the previous year. Taking into consideration last years increase of 15%, this number is in line with previous years.

#### SCHOOL SAFETY RESPONSE TEAM

Past tragedies that had occurred in our nation's schools emphasize the need and importance of this service to our schools and children. Beginning in 1999, this project provided threat and risk assessments and mental health intervention for area students, faculty and staff. This project also furnishes school administrations with weapons and explosive detection, search and seizure removal of these devices from Delaware County school campuses. This unit responded to 4 incidents in area schools during 2007. All of these incidents were mental health related.

#### **Building/Field Security**

The investigations unit is responsible for the Agency's building security that includes 111 Main Street, and the County Building at 99 Main street, Delhi. This unit also performs personal protection functions for all its field workers and Public Health staff.

During 2007, periodic safety-training sessions were given to Agency personnel stressing the importance of awareness and proper procedures to follow in the fields, at the office and during off-duty hours. During the year this unit logged 31 in-house incidents which include medical emergencies. No one was seriously injured.



#### AUTOMATED FINGER IMAGING SYSTEM (AFIS)

Assistance (TA) & Safety Net Assistance (SN) and has continually expanded. In 2007, **946** people were imaged, a decrease of **3%.** Finger Imaging, as a positive identification tool, is very effective in insuring case integrity. The possibility of multiple cases existing for one individual is a thing of the past.

#### DELAWARE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

On April 15, 2002, the Special Investigations Unit entered into a contract with the Delaware County District Attorney to provide confidential investigative services to the District Attorney's Office. During 2007, the Delaware County District Attorney made 63 investigative case assignments that were handled by members of the Special Investigations Unit representing an increase of 1%. A total of 701.25 hours were billed to the District Attorney's Office for these investigative services and a total of \$21,135.60 was received by the agency in reimbursement for the services rendered to the District Attorney's Office.

#### CONFIDENTIAL PRE-EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS

During 2007, the Special Investigations Unit performed **35** Confidential Pre-Employment and Corporate Compliance Background Investigations requested by various county departments, an decrease of **69%**. This need has expanded greatly due to the specific mandated background investigations required by state regulation for all non-licensed healthcare personnel and any non-licensed personnel having contact with children or persons with diminished capacity.

#### **2007 TOTALS**

Investigations:	938	Assisted Other Agencies	90
FEDS Savings:	\$173,412.00	School Safety Response	4
<b>Emotional Disturbed Persons</b>	57	Fingerprint Imaging	946
Child Protective Cases	92	Caseworker Field Security	43
Total Arrests	108	Civil Papers Served	663
Sex Related Crimes	43	Petitions Filed	1,687
Violence Related	24	Support Collected	\$4,753,175.00
Family Court Related	15	Assistance Money Offset	\$451,062.74
Vehicle & Traffic Reports	9	Birth & Confinement	\$561,995.47
Warrant Executions	36	Birth & Confinement Collect.	\$209,221.69
Workplace Incidents/Threats	31	Support Cases	2,832



Undersheriff Douglas Vredenburgh (left) Investigator Joseph Mauro (center) and Lt. Timothy Buckley display \$50,000 of seized cocaine from two SUNY Delhi students.



### **DELAWARE COUNTY DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT**

The Delaware County Drug Enforcement Unit ("DEU") is comprised of members from law enforcement agencies throughout Delaware County.

DEU cases are managed by Investigators assigned to the Delaware County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division. Highlights of 2007 DEU activity follows

#### **Marihuana-Related Incidents:**

11 Violations 1 Incident over 10 pounds seized

6 Misdemeanors 2 Incidents over 5 pounds. seized

3 Felonies

#### **Narcotics-Related Incidents:**

10 Felonies 5 Search Warrants were Executed

6 Misdemeanors

10 Possession of Controlled Substance

6 Sales of a Controlled Substance

#### Public Health Law - Unlawful Growing of Cannabis:

6 Misdemeanor Cases

#### **Search Warrants:**

5 Search Warrants were executed









#### The following Press Releases From the Sheriff's Desk were issued during 2007

- Delaware County Sheriff's Office obtains automatic License Plate Recognition

  System
- Tracking Sex Offenders and keeping our children safe from predators
- Delaware County Law Enforcement
  Academy Reactivated





FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK...



February 9, 2007

#### Delaware County Sheriff's Office obtains Automatic License Plate Recognition System

In December the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services presented the Delaware County Sheriff's Office with a piece of equipment (valued at between \$20-\$25,000) – at no cost to us—that has revolutionized the way law enforcement officers "run" license plates.

Our Remington ELSAG License Plate Reader is now fully operational. Simply put, here's how it works: A video camera mounted on a police vehicle "looks" for a license plate-sized object in its frame. Once a plate is identified, it is analyzed by the computer using optical character recognition software to determine whether its sequence of numbers and letters match any plates listed in the current data base of "hot-listed" license plates. The entire process takes less than a second to perform and is totally automated, requiring no office intervention. This unit is capable of scanning between 8,000 - 10,000 license plates during an officer's normal shift. Those license plates scanned that are not listed on the "hot list" are immediately dropped and those identified as being "hot", are brought to the attention of the officer by means of a sound emitted by the dashboard unit.

It should be noted that our agency also has the capability to input license plate information manually in order to search for a vehicle wanted in connection with a case of particular interest to us, such as an Amber Alert or a local missing person. Even if we are given an inaccurate description of the make, model, or color of a vehicle, as long as the license plate information of the vehicle is correct, and it is captured by our reader, we will get a "hit".

We are indeed appreciative of receiving our license plate reader. Because of their cost, less than 1% of law enforcement patrol vehicles in the United States utilize this state-of-the-art equipment. Just two years ago the price for the reader would have been \$200,000.00. But as the market became more competitive and the readers more refined, the price began to become more affordable. Nonetheless, this piece of equipment promises to become an indispensable tool for our officers and of great benefit when its use contributes to a successful resolution, and especially so in applications of vital importance.



FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK...



July 31, 2007

#### Tracking Sex Offenders and keeping our children safe from predators: What to do, what to do?

Last week I decided to write a column concerning Sex Offenders. Then we received a request for background information from an Investigator from a Sheriff's Office in North Carolina concerning a retired dentist who had once lived in Delaware County because he had been accused of committing a sex crime there against a very young girl child. In Delaware County he was never technically classified as a sex offender because his charge here had been pled down to Endangering the Welfare of a Child. The offender, by the way, is over 80 years old. Does that surprise you? It shouldn't. It is not unusual to arrest grandfathers who have violated their grandchildren and find out that before that, they had victimized their own children. After all, 90% of all sex offenders are acquainted with their victims.

This call disturbed me, and quite frankly made me mad. It hit too close to home. You see, I have beautiful grandchildren; who never doubt that the world is a kind and safe place to live. So when I hear that another child has been harmed, any child, anywhere...well you get the picture. Who among us doesn't lament? So many children sexually molested. What is one man to do; not much. But one can't give up. One must persevere, and when stymied one should ask for help. So that is what I am doing; I am asking you for your help. Why not? You have always come through for me before...AED's bicycle helmets, a fund for the daughter of slain Trooper Brinkerhoff, summer camp contributions, and so much more.

Let me tell you the magnitude of the problem we are dealing with: one in four girls is sexually abused before the age of 14 as are one in six boys, under the age of 16. Awful, awful!

There are over 600,000 "known" sex offenders in the United States and the problem is global. Even though it is a felony for them not to routinely report their whereabouts, approximately 100,000 known offenders have at one time or another failed to report their whereabouts. Some are located; some are not. Where a handful recently existed, there are now approximately 170 registered sex offenders spread out over a four-county area encompassing ours – and they often move back and forth between neighboring county lines.

Every day the news media somewhere reports of either a sad incident that has occurred or the steps being taken to curb the incidence of sexual molestation. Even in nearby Binghamton, both moderate and high-risk level sex offenders are banned from living in or entering an area within a quarter-mile radius of a school, day care center, playground or park. Many states, Missouri, Ohio and Oklahoma among them have approved the use of GPS monitoring device, like the ankle bracelet that Martha Stewart recently wore. The bracelet does not prove that they did commit a crime; but sometimes it can exonerate them from being where the crime being investigated was committed. That narrows the field.









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New York State has an impressive Sex Offender Registry which the general public can access to see who the sex offenders are and where they are located. In fact, all states maintain sex offender registries. We want you to know who they are. We want them to know that you know. They are a diverse group - ranging in age from the very young teenagers having sex with underage children or teens – to the elderly. Sad to say, deviate behavior manifests itself at an early age and lasts until the grave.

In the Sheriff's Office we have a whole file cabinet devoted to keeping tabs on the whereabouts of sex offenders in Delaware County. We even have a full-time sex offender registry officer, Sgt. Thomas Avery, assigned to monitor the whereabouts of known offenders. If you would like to bring a matter to his attention or ask him a question, please call him at 607-746-2336 Ext. 233. For the most part, those who get caught are drifters and tracking them is very time consuming. But those who have done the deed and have never been caught are the most dangerous of all; because they have mastered the trick of appearing normal. Because of the risk of embarrassment, many sexual crimes go unreported, and this is especially so when the act is committed by a family member. Wouldn't you agree that this is the biggest shame of all; that the person so molested was not deserving or ever accorded, justice under the law? And the molester is unscathed and allowed to whet their appetite at will. (Yes, "their" is the correct term. There are also female sex offenders.)

And then there are the pedophiles. And even worse, parents who permit their children to be photographed, molested or sold into prostitution. Who will save these children? Maybe by working together, we could - but we can't help them if we aren't told who they are. Since the internet can be accessed throughout the world, even people living in remote areas are now capable of peddling "kiddie porn" on the web. Still there are clues; people always leave clues. Stay observant. Your kids may have heard other kids talk about it. And above all, instruct your kids about giving out their personal information to strangers via the internet.

Although we take all the steps within our power to discourage all manner of sex offenders, we in law enforcement can only address the problem after the harm has been done. We are calling upon you, the public, to help prevent the problem. If you are responsible for a child, monitor their whereabouts very closely. Talk to them about the importance of not allowing anyone to touch them inappropriately and let them know that they can always come to you or another adult whom you trust to talk about such matters. Ask them what they think about the people with whom they come in contact. Often children have very good instincts and can sense danger. Even if you do not agree with their assessment, always remember, it is their life that is at risk. Only 40% of all kids molested by strangers ever report being abused; and only 10% report being molested by someone they know. Often they are afraid to report the incident because their abuser has threatened to harm them or their loved ones if they tell. They are easy prey for cowardly bullies. It is up to you and I to protect them. If you ask us to help you, we will.



FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK...



Tracking Sex Offenders, Page Three

All offenders need an opportunity to be near a child. Be mindful to avoid giving them an opportunity to ever be alone with your child. Even if it may be convenient for a family member or neighbor o watch your child during your absence, make sure it is safe to do so. You may also access the New York State Offender Registry at <a href="http://criminaljustice.state.ny.us/nsor/search\_index.htm">http://criminaljustice.state.ny.us/nsor/search\_index.htm</a> or a very good privately-maintained site at <a href="http://www.familywatchdog.us/ShowNameList.asp">http://www.familywatchdog.us/ShowNameList.asp</a> to find out who the predators are in your neighborhood and where they reside. But don't stop there, because only known offenders are listed. And some sexual offenders have never been caught. Be vigilant of any adult who makes opportunities to be alone with yur child. And do not discount them based upon their profession, age or social standing. Not all offenders are "down and out."

Of all the decisions you are called upon to make concerning your child's welfare, keeping them out of the clutches of the bogey man incarnate may be the most critical of all. It demands a lot of thought and effort and sometimes even involves an estrangement from family members or friends who simply cannot be trusted.

We must never forget them: Jon Benet, Megan, Amber, Jessica and so many others—whose lives were snuffed out too soon and so wickedly. Sex Offenders are real and they're dangerous and they walk among us. I am not suggesting that we deny them their rights; I am only suggesting that we exercise a deliberate attentiveness in preventing them from violating ours. Our children represent our future. We all must strive to protect them to the best of our ability.



FROM THE SHERIFF'S DESK...



September 25, 2007

#### **Delaware County Law Enforcement Academy Reactivated**

I believe there clearly exists a need for a professional training site close to home. While in the process of preparing our annual budget and pondering what I could do to minimize our training expenses. I realized that it would definitely be to our advantage to reactivate our Law Enforcement Academy. In so doing we will be able to alleviate he expense for meals, lodging and travel associated with training our officers off-site and we will be able to increase our revenue by collecting a modest tuition from the outside agencies, to help defray our expenses.

In the early 1990's we had established the Delaware County Law Enforcement Academy ("DCLEA") for the purpose of offering the basic police officer course prescribed by the New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services at the BOCES school complex in Masonville, NY. Although our Academy has not been operational since 1997, it was nonetheless still "on the books" and was recertified as an active training site by New York State on September 15, 2007. Our first in-service training course is scheduled to be held here on October 16-18, 2007.

Since our Office has not conducted the Academy for a number of years, I knew that we would need to retain the services of someone experienced in both training and administrative details to coordinate our curriculum. Capt. James H. Small of the Oneonta State University Police Department and presently the Director of the Otsego County Law Enforcement Academy possesses the impressive credentials we sought and when asked if he would be willing to accept the challenge of reactivating the Delaware Academy at our Public Safety Building complex in Delhi, he indicated his enthusiasm to promptly get started.

This is a project well worth undertaking and I am committed to the task. We expect to offer training classes here that are sponsored by the Department of Criminal Justice Services and Homeland Security and to provide in-service training courses; not only for area police officers, but also for corrections and other peace officers from neighboring agencies. By using the new classroom facility in Delhi, we will also decrease the burden on the staff at the Otsego Academy and work in cooperation with them to increase the number of course offerings and instructors that can be provided on an annual basis. Additionally, all training courses will be open to any sworn law enforcement officer, from any area of New York State.





#### **CORRECTIONS DIVISION**

Lt. Bruce Gaffney Jail Administrator First Sgt. Harold Stanton Chief Jail Officer

This past year we had seven reportable incidents, which was half of what we had the previous year. Four of these reportable incidents were Individual Inmate Disturbances and three for Inmate/Inmate assaults. They all involved the use of OC-10. Each of these situations were dealt with quickly. In the past these situations have resulted in no injuries to inmate or staff, but last year we did have an Officer out of work for over three months resulting not from the incident itself, but from responding to the call for assistance.

This past year we had a total of 1,637 admissions, which includes 647 new bookings. Among those inmates committed at this facility, we had 716 jail-related transports of one kind or another, which was the same as last year. Our local transports, such as County Court, has gone up a little, while Family Court transports have gone down. More time-consuming transports, such as Medical, Dental and other Courts, have gone down a little. The time we spend on transports is quite considerable. If each of the transports we had averaged only two and one-half hours, that would add up to almost 1,800 hours per year. That would keep one transport officer quite busy if the transports could be done one at a time with one inmate and one officer; but unfortunately, more often than not, we have multiple transports at the same time which we spend a lot of overtime on.

In the year 2007, we billed out boarding fees in the amount of \$452,100 to other Counties to include Dutchess, Greene, Schoharie, Sullivan and Ulster counties and from the U. S. Marshall's service. This total is somewhat less than the previous year, but that is due to our own population being up and the fact that at times the need for other counties to board out is less. Overall, since we opened for business four years ago, we have taken in over one and a half million dollars in boarding fees alone. If we can do just a little better this year than last, we will go over the two million mark. That's not too bad for a facility that was designed to be come-producing.

Other revenue generated from inmates this past year adds up to another \$98,275, bringing the total revenues generated in 2007 by the jail to \$550,375. This does not include monies received from the State for transporting State inmates.



#### A comparison of transport statistics over the last few years follows:

TRANSPORTS												
Description	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007				
Mental Health	7	3	8	8	-	6	1	4				
Medical	50	65	52	96	69	198	160	140				
Dental	26	29	38	47	62	56	83	92				
Funeral		6	2		3	1	3	0				
County/Supreme Court	120	104	127	196	165	139	145	158				
Family Court	24	28	23	14	16	24	42	25				
OtherCourts	207	189	289	283	251	192	244	234				
Other Corr. Facilities	366	230	536	757	11	34	29	42				
Work Detail							5	0				
Relay w/Other Agency							4	1				
Transport by Other agency	8	5	36	2				9				
Federal Transports								11				
TOTALS	808	659	1,111	1,403	577	650	716	716				

#### **INCOME PRODUCED FROM JAIL FOR THE YEAR 2007** STATE REIMBURSEMENTS **Period Ending** D&E **State Ready CORAM TOTAL Parole** \$3,840.00 \$14,480.00 03/31/06 18,960.00 06/30/06 09/30/06 3,120.00 13,600.00 -6,680.00 12/31/06 \_ -TOTAL \$6,960.00 \$53,720.00 \$60,680.00



INMATE TELEPHONE SERVICE 2007										
Dates	Dates Amount Dates Amount									
January	\$3,650.81	July	\$2,882.51							
February	3,260.17	August	2,691.14							
March	3,370.57	September	3,335.35							
April	3,908.24	October	3,603.54							
May	3,016,07	November	2,632.01							
June	3,080.35	December	2,164.81							
	\$20,286.21		\$17,309.36	\$37,595.57						





The Medical Services Division of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office is responsible for health care in our county detention facility. Our on-staff healthcare provider is Michelle Mason, RN.

Their mission is to operate a health care delivery system for all inmates who are in the Sheriff's Office's custody. Medical care in county jails is equivalent to services found in the private community, however, it is only given if it is necessary.



#### **TRAINING COMPLETED IN 2007**

During the calendar year of 2007, members of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office attended the training indicated below, outside of Delaware County. Training received outside the County is essential for the proper growth of the individual officer, as well as the Department as a whole. Traditionally, Officers attending training outside the County tend to share what they have learned with their peers—which is cost efficient.



Number Attending	Description
1	Lt. Winter Training Conference
2	Snowmobile Law Enforcement
1	Sheriff's Winter Training Conference
1	Meth Training
1	Basic Civil School Phase #1
1	Search Warrant Training
3	Basic Correctional Supv. Course
1	Terminal Agency Coordinator Training
1	Law Enforcement Expo
2	Basic Corrections Training/Firearms
1	Supervising Counter Drug Operations Training
2	NYS DCJS Officer Survival
1	NYS DCJS-Interview & Body Language Tech Training
1	Civil Div. Supv. Training Conference
2	Civil Process Users Training

Number Attending	Description
1	Marijuana Grow Operations
1	Undersheriff Training Conference
1	Interviews & Body Language Techniques
1	Fraudulent Documents Course
2	Identification Procedures Training
1	Sheriff's Summer Training Conference
1	Intelligence "Quick Start" Training
1	Road Patrol Superv. & Investigator's Training
1	NY Statewide 911 Fall Conference
1	Jail Admin. Training Conference
2	Civil Refresher Civil School
2	Police Supervision
2	Glock Armorer's Course



#### The Academy:

Our instructor, Capt. James Small reports that our Academy was re-certified in September 2007 and the first class was held in October, which was a 24-hour Patrol Rifle Operator course and DCJS certified. We trained our own deputies as well as 12 other officers from outside agencies. We also held a breathalyzer re-cert course in December and a DMT Datamaster upgrade course in December.



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### Top Gun Award:

In 2007, during training exercises, those demonstrating significant shooting expertise were accorded the "Top Gun Award."







John Tahany - 100

Dwayne Finkle - 99

#### SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY: DELAWARE COUNTY

Another top priority for the Sheriff's Office is community awareness and safety. Sgt. Thomas Avery is the primary point of contact between the sex offenders residing in Delaware County and the Delaware County Sheriff's Office.



Individuals listed on the sex offender registry have been convicted of a sexual offense that requires them to meet a number of mandates, including annual registration with law enforcement. This registry is updated daily and is designed to increase community safety and awareness.

Periodic checks are done to verify the offender's address and place of employment. Additional checks are completed in order to make arrests for non-compliance of the law, moving without notification, or failure to register.



# 2006 GRANT ACTIVITY Evie Tripp

Each year, the Sheriff's Office is the recipient of numerous grants that facilitate the purchase of equipment which might not otherwise be available to us due to county-budget restraints.

Type of Grant	Used for:	Amount of Grant Awarded/Rec'd. in 2007
COPS	Radio Study to update Communication System (Ongoing Grant for \$168,895.00)	\$ 10,141.98
Bulletproof Vest Partnership	Bulletproof Vest Purchases	1,537.99
O'Connor Foundation Legislative Grant/Crouch	Purchase equipment to photograph schools and businesses in Delaware Count	5,000.00 7,500.00
State Homeland Security Legislative Grant (Bonacic)	Provide video cameras for road patrol	\$19,600.00 25,000.00
	Total	\$68,779.97







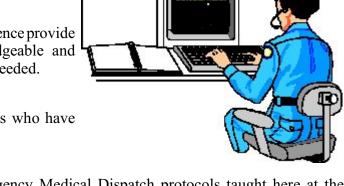
#### 2007 COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION REPORT

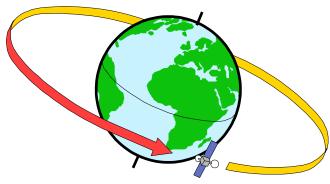
Michelle Sulas supervises the civilian dispatchers employed in the Delaware County Communication Division. There Technology and state-of-the-art equipment are used by the trained, skilled, and dedicated agency members to quickly access addresses, phone numbers,

aliases, mapping information, tow information and CAD journal entries.

Months of training and years of practical experience provide us with civilian dispatchers who are both knowledgeable and efficient in providing the correct resource tool when needed.

We are very proud of our dedicated members who have chosen this career of service.





Emergency Medical Dispatch protocols taught here at the Public Safety Building. are an integral part of how emergencies are received and then dispatched. Recognizing the Emergency's severity and then dispatching it to the responding units with the correct amount of urgency, or lack thereof. EMD is a skill that is mandated, and the measure by which we check our own correctness and attention to detail. We use QA/QI reviews to validate and insure quality and competent allocation of resources in a timely, and correctly recognized situation. QA/QI has been used more at the 911

PSAP in Sidney, since they do the 911 dispatches at this time. Since upon occasion we are called upon to perform as their back-up, we continue to train and be prepared to assume control whenever the situation to do so arises.

The Communications staff continues to train by completing on-line FEMA courses and ICS (Incident Command Systems) 100 and 700. They also access "E-Justice", which supplies information for criminal, civil, sex offender, DMV, and various other Law Enforcement concerns.



# **OFFENSES BY MONTH 01/01/07 - 12/31/07**

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Offense	Jar	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Au	g Sept	Oct	Nov	v Dec	Tot
TOTAL INCIDENTS	48	65	50	41	59	71	78	71	97	75	58	31	744
Forcible Rape	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	7
Forcible Sodomy	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Forcible Fondling	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	4
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Simple Assault	3	3	1	4	4	4	2	6	7	2	6	0	42
Intimidation	4	4	3	1	2	3	4	5	1	6	5	4	42
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Burglary	0	10	6	3	3	4	5	6	8	13	8	3	69
Purse-snatching	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Shoplifting	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Theft from Building	1	10	5	2	6	4	2	6	7	8	4	2	57
Theft from MV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	3
Theft of MV Parts	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Other Larceny	5	4	7	5	5	11	12	8	10	10	14	3	94
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	3	1	0	0	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	11
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	3	1	2	1	0	12
False Pretenses	1	0	0	0	0	3	2	1	2	4	3	2	18
Impersonation	2	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	10
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	6
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Stolen Property Offense	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	4
Property Damage	2	6	8	6	7	10	7	9	10	11	10	7	93
Drug/Narc Violations - Sale	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Drug/Narc Violations - Poss	2	3	0	1	2	3	1	1	5	1	3	0	22
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	5
Bad Checks	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	1	0	0	11

Offense	Jai	ı Feb	Mai	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Au	ıg Sept	Oc	t No	v Dec	c Tot
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	3	1	0	0	8
Driving Under the Influence	5	3	5	0	3	3	2	6	1	6	3	2	39
Family Offense, Non-Violent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Liquor Law Violations	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Trespassing	1	1	0	1	9	8	3	1	2	6	6	0	38
All Other Offenses	36	44	40	25	39	32	52	45	65	43	15	19	455
TOTAL OFFENSES	68	103	79	51	83	100	102	101	140	118	80	43	1068

### **WEAPON USAGE BY OFFENSE - 2007**

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Weapon Force											
Firearm									1	1	0.1
Revolver/Derr/SS Pistol									1	1	0.1
Semiautomatic Handgun									2	2	0.2
Single Sot/pump/bolt rifle									1	1	0.1
Knife/Cutting Instrument		1								1	0.1
Blunt Object								5		5	0.5
Personal Weapons			39	7	5			6		57	5.3
Other Weapon		1	3							4	0.4
None/N.A.								51	938	989	92.3
Not Reported			1		1					2	0.2
Unknown								7		7	0.7
TOTAL WEAPONS	0	2	43	7	6	0	0	69	943	1070	100.0%



#### **DELAWARE 911**

In 2007, Delaware 911, utilizing Computer Aided Dispatching (CAD) logged 7,964 calls.



This number is deceiving however, because each CAD call routinely results in multiple calls being made as a direct result.

### **ACTIVITIES & RESPONSES TO COMPLAINTS**

911 Hang Up Call	181	Animal - Unusual Behavior Threat	3
911 Open Line	2	Animal Noise	2
Abduction/Poss Abduction	1	Arrest	32
Accident-Car/Deer	34	Arson	2
Administration Matter	31	Assault/Sexual Assault	1
Aid - Attempt to Locate	36	Assault/Simple Assault	19
Aid - Assist Citizen	29	Assault/Weapon Assault	4
Aid - Check Welfare	81	Assist DSS	29
Aid-EMS	38	Assist Fire Department	6
Alarm Activation	22	Assist Motorist	6
Allergies/Envenomations	1	Assist Police Agency	23
Animal - Acting Rabid	15	Assist Probation	1
Animal - Animal Bites/Attacks	2	Assist Public Health	2
Animal - Cattle Complaint	23	Bad Check	4
Animal Complaint - Other	80	Bank Drop	139
Animal - Dog Complaint	31	Breathing Problems	1



Burglary In Progress	12	Evidence Relay	16
Burglary Report Only	75	Fairground Duty	5
Cardiac/Respiratory Arrest	1	Failure to Comply	7
Civil Matter	68	Falls	1
Civil Matter - Process Serving	331	Fight in Progress	36
Court/Trial	86	Fire Involving Motor Vehicle	10
Criminal Summons Served	37	Fireworks	1
Custody Dispute	4	Followup	519
Death - Notification of	3	Forgery	3
Death - Unattended Death	3	Fraud - Criminal Impersonation	5
Deer Jacking Complaint	3	Funeral Detail	1
Dispatch Deer	18	Gas Drive Off	4
Disturbance - Criminal Mischief	42	Gas Leak or Emergency	3
Disturbance - Criminal Nuisance	7	Gun Retrieval	2
Disturbance - Disorderly Conduct	39	Gun/Weapon - Accident Wound	2
Disturbance - Neighborhood Trouble	51	Gun/Weapon - Person with Gun	4
Domestic - Child Abuse	1	Gun/Weapon - Person with Knife	1
Domestic-Custodial Interference	5	Gun/Weapon - Shots Fired	14
Domestic - Endanger Welfare Child	3	Harassment - Agg. Harassment	23
Domestic In Progress	160	Harassment - Complaint	66
Domestic - Report Only	58	Harassment - Stalking	1
Domestic Violence	5	Hazardous Mat Situation	1
Drill, Training	31	Hold Up Alarm	7
Drug/Alcohol Complaint	12	Investigation	388
Drug/Alcohol - Growing Cannabis	2	Larceny - From Mailbox	2
Electronic Intrusion Device	72	Larceny - 1 tom Manoox	



Larceny - From Vehicle	3	Property Stolen	7
Larceny - Other	43	Range	8
Larceny Report Only	2	Rescue Person Trapped	1
Littering	6	Road - Blocked	25
Lockout Residential	1	Road - Damaged	2
Mental Health Pickup	14	Road - Flooded	10
MHL Danger to Self or Others	105	Road - Icy or Snowy	4
Missing Child	6	Road Schedule Probation	13
Missing Person	27	Sex Offense - Rape	2
Motor Vehicle Acc Prop Damage	385	Sex Offense - Registered Info	1
Mutual Aid EMS	2	Sick Person	1
Noise - Loud Party	17	Smoke Investigation	1
·		Special Detail	74
Non-Priority Rec'd on 911	3	Structure Fire	3
		Subject Not Breathing	11
Open Door	18	Subpoena Grand Jury	21
Order of Protection Service	168	Suspicious Package	3
Order of Protection Violation	7	Suspicious Person/Activity	73
Parade Detail	2	Suspicious Vehicle	28
Pistol Permit Investigation	68	Terrorist Threat	1
Property Damage Auto Accident	29	Test of System	24
Property Check	778	Theft of Services	3
Property Dispute	12	Traffic Detail	63
Property Found	4	Traffic/Trans Accident	3
Property Lost	2	Traffic Stop	2,190
Property Retrieval	27	Transport	114



Traumatic Injuries	2
Trespass in Progress	30
Trespassing	35
Unknown Type Fire	2
Underage Party	7
Unknown Problem	1
Vandalism	12
Vehicle-Abandoned Vehicle	14
Vehicle - All Terrain Vehicle	29
Vehicle - Car Blocking	27
Vehicle - Car Disabled	83
Vehicle - Erratic Operator	34
Vehicle - Lost Stolen Plates	1
Vehicle - Motorcycle Complaint	1
Vehicle - Stolen	9
Vehicle - Unauthorized Use	5
Wanted or Escaped Person	2
Warrant - Civil	14
Warrant - Criminal	53
Warrant - Criminal Summons	5
Warrant - Family Court Warrant	36
Warrant - Fugitive from Justice	1
Warrant - Probation Warrant	2
Warrant - Search	4
TOTAL	7,964

# 2007 VICTIMS

Individual Business Financial Institution Government	447 40 5 49 249	55.2% 4.9% 0.6% 6.0%
Financial Institution	5 49	0.6%
	49	
Government		6.0%
	249	
Society/Public	= .,,	30.8%
Other	4	0.5%
Unknown	16	2.0%
TOTAL VICTIMS	810	100.0%



Property Incidents	Burned	Forged	Destroyed	Recovered	Seized	Stolen
Totals	2	12	109	44	43	196
Money	0	0	0	2	3	40
Credit/Debit Card	0	0	0	1	0	4
Negotiable Instruments	0	8	0	7	2	19
Non-Negotiable Instruments	0	4	0	6	0	7
Personal Papers	0	0	0	3	2	6
Jewelry/Precious Metals	0	0	0	1	0	6
Clothing/Furs	0	0	0	0	0	2
Purses, Handbags, Wallets	0	0	0	2	0	3
Household Items	0	0	4	1	0	3
Drug/Narcotic Equipment	0	0	0	0	2	0
Computer Hardware/Software	0	0	0	1	0	4
Office Equipment	0	0	3	0	0	1
Stereo Equip, TV & Radio	0	0	0	0	0	3
Sports Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	2
Photo/Optical Equipment	0	0	1	0	0	2
Heavy Constr/Industrial Equip	0	0	0	0	0	4
Building Supplies for Construct.	0	0	2	0	0	3
Tools	0	0	0	1	1	10
Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	0	3	0	0	4
Misc. Equipment	0	0	2	2	2	12
Alcohol	0	0	0	0	3	2
Drugs/Narcotics	0	0	0	1	27	6
Consumable Goods	0	0	1	1	2	9
Household Pets	0	0	0	0	0	1
Automobiles	0	0	22	5	0	16
Bicycles	0	0	0	3	0	3



Property Incidents	Burned	Forged	Destroyed	Recovered	Seized	Stolen
Trucks	0	0	3	1	0	2
Recreational Vehicles	0	0	2	3	0	4
Firearms	0	0	0	2	7	5
Other Weapons	0	0	0	0	1	1
Structures-Single Occupancy	0	0	12	0	0	0
Structures-Multiple Occupancy	0	0	1	0	0	0
Structures-Other Comm. Bus.	0	0	1	0	0	0
Structures-Public/Community	0	0	3	0	0	0
Structures-Storage	0	0	4	0	0	0
Structures - Other	0	0	10	0	0	1
Merchandise	0	0	0	0	0	4
Other Property	2	0	43	4	7	52
Special Categories	0	0	0	0	0	2

# Types of Drugs Seized by quantity in 2007 - (Seized Drug Incidents =27)

Drug Type	Total	Grams	Ounces	Dosage Units	# Plants	Unknown
Morphine	2			2		
Methadone	1			2		
Synthetic Narcotics	2			72		
Cocaine Hydrochloride	4	502		10		
Crack	1	5		0		
Marijuana	18	22	.75	3	350	2
Total Drug Types	28*	529	.75	89	350	2



# **INCIDENT CASE STATUS BY MONTH**

01/01/2007 Thru 12/31/2007

Incident Case Status	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Total Incidents	48	65	50	41	59	71	78	71	97	75	58	31	744
Cleared by Arrest - Adult	18	19	15	16	13	17	22	20	41	14	15	7	217
Cleared by Arrest-Juvenile	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
Prosecution Declined	3	3	2	2	2	2	6	5	1	3	2	0	31
Victim Refuses to cooperate	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	11
Warrant Issued	5	8	2	2	4	6	5	6	3	4	2	4	51
Investigation Pending	0	1	1	0	1	7	3	2	6	4	5	5	35
Closed	22	33	29	21	37	37	41	35	43	49	33	14	394
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1

# ARREST CHARGE BY MONTH

01/01/07 thru 12/31/07

TOTAL PERSONS ARRESTED	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
TOTAL PER MONTH	26	32	24	13	30	38	31	42	51	25	17	15	344
Forcible Rape	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	4
Forcible Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Simple Assault	3	2	1	3	3	2	3	2	6	4	2	0	31
Intimidation	2	1	0	0	5	1	0	2	1	2	1	4	19
Arson	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Burglary	0	1	5	0	1	14	1	4	1	0	0	0	27
Theft from Building	0	1	1	0	1	4	2	3	1	0	0	0	13
Other Larceny	5	0	0	0	0	4	3	4	3	0	4	1	24
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	5
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	5
False Pretenses	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	2	3	2	12



TOTAL PERSONS ARRESTED	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Impersonation	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Welfare Fraud	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	4
Stolen Property Offense	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
Property Damage	3	2	2	0	1	1	1	1	4	1	0	0	16
Drug/Narc Violations/Sale	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Dug/Narc Violations/Poss	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	1	1	0	19
Weapon Law Violations	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	6
Bad Checks	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	2	0	0	10
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	5
Driving under the Influence	5	3	5	0	1	0	4	8	1	6	3	2	38
Liquor Law Violations	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Trespassing	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
All Other Offenses	17	28	22	13	31	18	25	39	39	24	8	10	274
Arrest Charges	41	49	39	18	46	53	46	71	81	43	24	19	530

TOTAL PERSONS ARRESTED	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Totals	26	32	24	13	30	38	31	42	51	25	17	15	344
Complaint	11	5	10	2	5	21	6	15	22	6	8	4	115
Crime in Progress	5	12	8	2	10	3	8	7	17	5	1	3	81
Warrant	5	11	4	6	7	10	8	13	9	8	7	4	92
Court Summons	2	2	0	2	4	3	7	3	1	5	1	3	33
Other	1	0	2	1	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	11
Unknown	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	12



#### ROAD PATROL DIVISION



Sgt. Ted Tiska supervises the Road Patrol Division.

Seven full-time Deputy Sheriff's and several part-time deputy sheriffs patrol the highways throughout Delaware County, respond to complaints and motor vehicle accidents, and perform many other duties – such as providing security at civic events and giving career-related presentations at schools.

### A total of 1,629 traffic tickets were issued in 2007. Details follow:



	TRAFFIC TICKETS ISSUED IN 2007											
TYPE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ост	NOV	DEC
Alcohol								1	1	1		2
DWI	3	7	7		3	4	2	6	1	6	3	2
Speed	52	49	48	61	84	50	39	20	47	72	63	53
Equipment	4	5	6	5	4	2	6	1	7	16	9	7
Seatbelt		1	7	3	72	5	1	1		4	23	2
Insurance	1	3	5	1	6	1	4	1	2	3	2	
Registration	3	6	11	3	16	1	8	4	5	6	3	5
Moving	10	11	17	10	18	9	89	99	46	67	29	19
Inspection	9	7	12	11	39		2	4	6	6	21	8
Other			3	6			2	1	1			1
Unlicenced	5	6	9	2	13	9	9	6	8	12	4	5
Totals	87	95	125	102	255	81	162	144	124	193	157	104







# **CIVIL DIVISION - 2007**

Income Executions	No.
Stage 1	296
Stage 2	241
Property	34
Other	0
Total Served	571
Total Other Papers Served (See Listing which follows)	691

Total Amount Generated	
2007	\$621,378.58
2006	\$530,494.66
2005	\$649,522.73
2004	\$543,177.78

Fees and Poundage Revenue to the County	\$79,816.43
Misc. Cash Revenue (MVA Reports, Id's Evidence Photo's, etc)	\$1,194.75
Inmate Phone	\$37,595.57
Total Revenue to Delaware County	\$118,606.75



# 2007 STATISTICAL ANALYSIS REPORT - CIVIL DIVISION SUMMONS PAPERS SERVED

Action for Divorce	17
Amended Summons Support	1
Appearance Ticket	1
Appearance Ticket, Dog Control Law	1
Citation	1
Contempt Order	2
Contempt Summons/Complaint	1
County Court Writ of Garnishment	1
Eviction Order	2
Foreclosure Summons/Complaint	1
General Sessions Summons	2
Grand Jury Subpoena	8
Information Subpoena	5
Information Subpoena w/Restraining Notice	1
Judicial Subpoena	39
Judicial Subpoena Duces Tecum	2
Letter to Tenants	3
Modified Order of Protection	1
Modified Temporary Order of Protection	4
Motion for Contempt/Dissolution of Marriage	1
Notice of Motion	1
Notice of Motion & Supporting Papers	1
Notice of Motion for Punishment for Contempt	2
Notice of Pendency, Summons & Complaint	2
Notice of Petition and Petition	6
Notice of Petition to Recover Real Property	1
Notice to Appear in Court	3

Notice to Produce, Amended Notice of Hearing	1
Notice to Tenant	5
Order of Writ of Assistance	1
Order of Protection	27
Order of Protection/Petition/Ord to show Cause	1
Order of Protection/Description Various Acts	4
Order of Protection/Notice to Appear in Court	1
Order to Compel Delivery of Possession	8
Order to Show Cause	12
Order to Show Cause & Supporting Affidavits	1
Order to Show Cause, Financial Disclosure Summons Petition	1
Order to Show Cause Petition	6
Order to Show Cause, Petition for Custody, Order of Protection	1
Order to Show Cause, Summons & Petition	1
Order to Show Cause/Custody/Visitation	1
Order to Show Cause/Modification of Custody Petition	1
Petition for Dissolution of Marriage	1
Petition to recover Poss of Real Property	1
Petition, Affidavit & Court Order	1
Restraining Notice to Garnishee	1
Restraining Order	1
Subpoena	19
Subpoena Duces Tecum	2
Subpoena Duces Tecum w/o Deposition	1
Subpoena for Telephonic Deposition	24
Subpoena Grand Jury	5



Subpoena Grand Jury Duces Tecum	5
Summon & Petition/Support	18
Summons	15
Summons & Complaint	92
S&C, Interrogatories/Req Produce Doc to def.	1
Summons & Petition, Family File	36
Summons & Petition, Order	2
Summons & Petition, Order to Appear	1
Summons & Complaint for Divorce	3
Summons & Family Offense Petition	1
Summons & Notice	3
Summons & Petition	28
Summons & Petition, Family File	6
Summons & Petition, Financial Discl Affidavit	3
Summons and Verified Complaint	24
Summons Dissolution of Marriage	1
Summons with Notice	14
Summons with Notice and Complaint	1
Summons w/Notice & Verified Statement of Barriers to Remarriage	1
Summons w/Notice, Action for Divorce	3
Summons with Notice/Complaint	10
Summons with Supporting Papers	1
Summons w/Violation & Modification of Order of Protection Petitions	1
Summons, Amended Complaint for Divorce	1
Summons, Complaint, Demand for Trial by Jury	1
Summons, Family Offense Petition and Description of Various Acts	4

Summons, Family Offense Petition, Order to Show Cause, Custody Petition	1
Summons, Family Offense Petition, Summons, Petition Violation Order of Protection	1
Summons, Family Offense Petition, Temporary Order of Protection	1
Summons, Financial Affidavit, Modification of Support Petition	1
Summons, Order of Referral	1
Summons, Petition - Violation of Order of Protection	2
Summons, Petition for Violation of Order of Protection Order to Show Cause, Custody Petition	1
Summons, Petition, Family File	1
Summons, Petition, Financial Disclosure, Order for Genetic Marker Test	1
Summons, Petition, Temporary Order	1
Summons, Petition, Temporary Order of Protection	1
Summons, Violation of Temporary Order of Protection	1
Summons, Order appointing law guardian, family offense, pet., descr of various acts	1
Summons/Petition	1
Summons/Petition Custody	2
Summons/Petition Support/Financial Disclosure Affidavit	1
Summons/Petition Violation of Order of Protection	1
Summons/Petition Violation Support Order	12
Supplemental Order	1
Temp Order of Prot; Sum for Court Appearance/Petition for Custody	3
Temp Order of Protection Summons, Petition, Custody Petition	1
Temp Order Protection, Summons, Petition, Order to Show Cause, Custody Petition	5
Temp Order of Protection, Family Offense Sum/Petition, Order to Show Cause/Custody	1



Temp. Order of Protection, Summons, Violation of Order of Protection Petition	1
Temporary Order for Relief from Abuse	1
Temporary Order of Protection	10
Temp Order of Protection & Family Offense Pet, & Description of various acts	2
Temporary Order of Protection Summons Family Petition	4
Temp. Order of Protection, Description of Various Acts	4
Temporary Order of Protection, Order to Show Cause, Custody Petition	6
Temporary Order of Protection, Summons	2
Temporary Order of Protection, Summons, family offense petition	3
Temp Order of Protection, Summons, family offense petition, descr of various acts	38
Temp Order of Protection, Summons, Family Offense Pet, Description of various acts	4
Temporary Order of Protection, Summons, Order to Show Cause	1
Temporary Order of Protection, Family File, Desc. of various acts	1
Violation of Order of Protection-Summons/Petition	2
Warrant - Removal from Premises	4
Warrant of Arrest	4
Warrant of Eviction	40
Warrant of Eviction/Notice not to Trespass	1
Warrant/Holdover	1
Total Papers	691
Total Served	687
Total Not Served	4

#### **Executions Served**

Income

Stage 1: 297 Stage 2: 241

Property 34

Other 0

Total Fees: \$52,619.15

Total Poundage: <u>\$27,197.28</u>

Total Revenue: \$79,816.43

Year to Date Revenue: \$79,816.43

Note:

Current figures indicate an increase in revenue of

20.85% from this time last year

Total Papers Served in 2007691Total Income Executions in 2007571Total Property Executions in 200734

Total 1,296



#### 2007 COURT SECURITY REPORT

Mark Fallon, Court Security Supervisor

During calendar year 2007 the Court Security Unit with a staff of three full time officers and 5 part time officers and five Court Attendants provided security for the Judiciary, litigants, office staff and general public at the Delaware County Courthouse. 41,501 people passed through the screening process to enter the courthouse with an average of 163 people a day..

Court Security Officers provided security for approximately:

258 Surrogate Court Cases

532 Supreme and County Court Cases

of which

2,600 Family Court Cases

84 were Felonies



#### Officers investigated:

- 4 Judicial Threats
- 4 Medical Emergencies, including 1 EDP
- 11 Incidents of disruptive behavior Several Custody turn-overs
- 3 Individuals arrested in courthouse (on warrants)
- 1,112 items of contraband were vouchered and returned, consisting of:
  - 39 Handguns
  - 47 Razors
  - 630 Knives
  - 93 Scissors
  - 3 Chemical Sprays
  - 236 Other Weapons
  - 86 Scissors
  - Miscellaneous Weapons (Including cameras and listening devices)
  - 1 Drug or drug paraphernalia



#### **COURT** (Continued)



The construction of a 6-person holding cell, with separate inmate restroom and secure attorney visitation booth was completed in January 2007 and started holding inmates & prisoners on February 13, 2007. The holding cell allows subjects to be held in a secure area, away from the public area of the courthouse and thereby greatly increases the safety of the staff, transporting officers and the inmate(s) themselves.

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#### **EVIDENCE COLLECTION**



Deputy Kim S. Smith, Evidence Technician

Deputy Sheriff Kim Smith oversees our Evidence Division, in addition to performing her road patrol duties. 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.

Following is an Evidence Property Report for 2007:

Total Cases:	267
Total Items Logged in:	907
Total Items Destroyed:	15
Total Items returned to Owner:	177
Total Items taken to NYSP Lab:	115





DELAWARE COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Participates in the



New York State Sheriffs' Association Summer Camp Program

Deputy Ladd Dawson first laid eyes on Camp Iroquois when he disembarked a camp bus 18 years ago. Every year he represents our Office as he revisits it to parttake in its enchantment as well as participate in his I grueling commitment to make each year's camp experience meaningful to its participants.

During the summer of 2007, the Delaware County Sheriff's Office arranged for 33 local disadvantaged children to attend Camp Iroquois on Keuka Lake. Since its inception in 1987, the summer camp has hosted nearly 16,000 boys and girls between the ages of 9- 12 years of age. There sports instruction and other worthwhile activities create a positive environment for youth, and they may fill their days participating in 19 sports, which include soccer, football, sailing canoeing, swimming and water-skiing, just to mention a few. Safety demonstrations, police dog exercises and archery lessons are also made available to them and guest lectures provide information on how government works and why our laws exist. Foremost to the program, a strong camper-to-counselor ratio promotes the individual attention a camper needs to develop his/her self esteem. Emphasis is also placed on the development of good citizenship behavior and the dangers associated with drug and alcohol abuse. Routinely, lasting friendships are forged, mutual respect is garnered and campers come home with a lasting memory of having enjoyed a wholesome summer vacation experience.



In the end, Deputy Dawson feels it's worth his effort; since the satisfaction he derives from making a positive impact on another's life is priceless. Although all of the creeds which the Sheriffs' Association, camp employees, counselors and deputies promote are admirable. we cannot help but believe that our Deputy exemplifies this one in particular: Give a little of yourself to the common good of all."