



2016 ANNUAL REPORT

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In the Heart of the Catskills, a good place to visit....a g r e a t place to live.

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To: Delaware County Board of Supervisors

Re: 2016 Annual Report



Every year, we try to recap the significant events that have occurred at the Sheriff's Office during the past year.

2016 was the year that fire roared through Delhi's main (albeit tiny) business district and were it not for the mutual aid extended from fire departments far and wide, we would have lost more buildings than we did. Our original jail stood in the shadows of the fire and county offices across the street had to be evacuated since all the power had been shut off to them.



So, when our Office counted our yearly blessings, we wanted to be sure to thank all of those brave volunteer firemen and EMS workers who fought several hours to keep the fire from spreading throughout our village.

DELAWARE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Thomas E. Mills".

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.

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.

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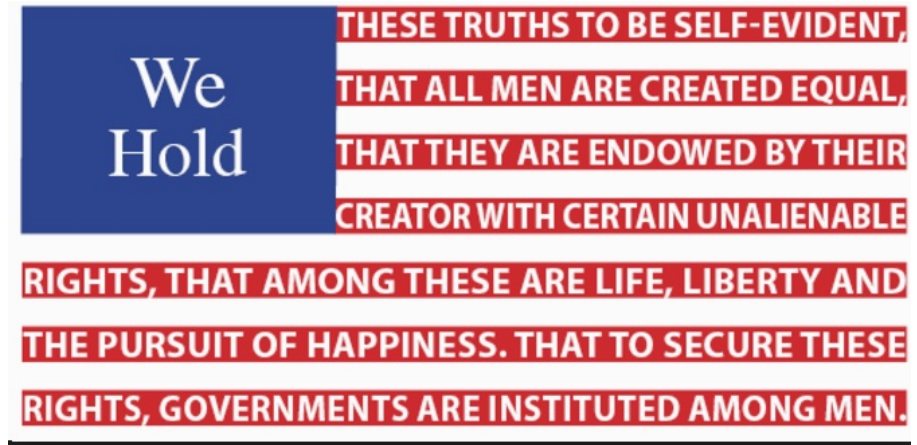
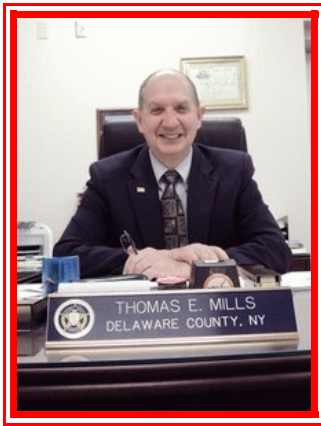
MISSION STATEMENT

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

In 1999, 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 121-bed state-of-the-art combinatin Public Safety Building/Correctional Facility. Presently the Sheriff's Office and Correctional Facility employs 75 full-time employees and 28 part-time employees. The jail facility now double bunks, and can accommodate 121 inmates.

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.

COMMENDATIONS



Usually this part of the Annual Report is reserved for letters of appreciation sent to our employees, however; this year we received such a heartwarming letter of appreciation from Chief Paul Olsen from the Walton Police Department about “every member of our patrol and investigative staff” that it is only appropriate that it be shared. It reads:

“Sheriff Mills,



I have been a police administrator for several years now and during that time I have sent out numerous letters of appreciation to fellow Chiefs, Sheriffs, Commissioners and Commanders concerning assistance provided by their officers to our agency. This is the first time in all those years that a letter of appreciation literally is being sent to a command officer concerning every member of his patrol and investigative staff.

On the evening of January 11, 2016, at 2305 hrs. Walton Police Department Patrolman Tahir Haqq and Patrolman Oliver Tallman received a request from a citizen to conduct a property check of her residence, located at 52 Burton Street, Walton, as she had been having an ongoing problem with vandalism. Upon checking the house, the officers found the inside area of an enclosed porch in flames. Both officers entered the residence to extinguish the flames, which was later determined to be arson. Upon extinguishing the flames, the officers had to exit the building due to heavy smoke. After getting outside, the officers found Delaware County Sheriffs Deputy Kyle Karcher running to assist them. While the officers were recovering from inhaling a large quantity of smoke, Deputy Karcher inquired as to the cause of a loud hissing sound coming from the residence. Both officers and Deputy Karcher reentered the building and proceeded to the basement where they found a one inch natural gas line had been intentionally opened and was expelling natural gas at full capacity. The officers and Deputy Karcher exited the building and found several Walton firefighters arriving at the scene. The officers and Deputy Karcher ran to the firefighters yelling to move back due to the gas leaking from the open line. Fortunately, a firefighter had a wrench and was able to shut off the gas regulator controlling the house. In the words of Walton Fire Chief Robert Brown, “I can’t say if it would have been seconds or minutes before that fire and gas met, but it wouldn’t have been more than ten minutes.” Fire Chief Brown further stated,

“if that house had exploded, it would have leveled both houses beside it and caused severe damage to the house across the street.” The following morning Jon Hoffman of 50 Burton Street came to our office to say, “Thank you.” Hoffman explained that his two young daughters sleep against the outer wall of his residence that face 52 Burton Street, which is only a distance of 33 ½ feet away.



The courage and valor shown by Patrolman Haqq, Patrolman Tallman and Deputy Karcher by not only entering a burning building, but then reentering to investigate the origin of the hissing sound is an exceptional act of bravery and an exemplary example of the courage in the line of duty that all law enforcement officers should strive for. The actions of Patrolman Haqq, Patrolman Tallman and Deputy Karcher definitely saved several lives, as well as an extensive amount of property damage.

The same evening with the guidance and assistance of Sergeant John Demeo of your investigative division, an extensive arson investigation was undertaken. Sargent Demeo conducted the interview of the suspect, David Thompson, which resulted in a full confession to the crime. Deputy Karcher, Deputy Todd VanKeuren, Deputy Tim Murray as well as Senior Investigator Karl Vagts and Investigator Joe Mauro assisted in every aspect of this case. Your investigators and Deputies combined with the Walton Police Department officers, and through a determined and relentless effort had David Thompson and Henry Stellito both in custody for the arson and multiple other felony charges eleven hours and 55 minutes after the initial call to check the property was placed.

The old saying, “just when you thought things couldn’t get worse” never applied anywhere more than in Walton, New York. On the evening of January 14, 2016, a mere three nights after the arson, our department was summoned to one of the worst types of calls an agency can receive, a car/pedestrian motor vehicle accident. To make matters worse, there was a question as to whether the driver was Driving While Ability Impaired-Drugs. I was in the office at the time and Patrolman Devin Dunphy, our newest patrolman who has less than two years on, was the only officer on duty at the time. The call came out stating that the accident was approximately two miles outside the village of Walton. I advised Patrolman Dunphy to respond and secure the scene for either one of your units or the State Police units that would be responding. Within minutes Patrolman Dunphy advised that the accident was within the village limits. Fortunately for us, Deputy Chris Erwin was already pulling up to the scene. Deputy Erwin helped Patrolman Dunphy with every aspect of the initial accident investigation to include photographing the scene, speaking with witnesses, taking measurements and assisting with field sobriety testing of the driver of the vehicle. Deputy Caroline Lennon assisted by going to Delaware Valley Hospital and retrieving all vital information concerning the pedestrian and family members. Deputy Lennon also obtained all available information concerning the extent of the injuries to the pedestrian and advised that the pedestrian was about to be transported to Wilson Hospital in Binghamton. Upon speaking with Deputy Lennon, when Detective Brian Laauser and I arrived at the hospital, there were literally no questions left to be asked. I know that Deputy Lennon has recently just been released from field training and her thoroughness in gathering the necessary information at the hospital that night screams volumes of the exceptional training your deputies receive. Deputy Eric Alexander responded immediately to Walton to assist upon coming on duty that night. Deputy Alexander assisted with conducting interviews and assisting in any way requested. Deputy Alexander, through his endless supply of contacts, actually advised us that the pedestrian had unfortunately passed way before we were formally notified. Deputy Alexander’s community policing relationship with this community has time and again assisted this agency. Throughout the evening I was repeatedly in contact with Sergeant John Demeo going over the progression of the investigation in an attempt to make sure every angle

was covered.

There is a level of confidence that comes to law enforcement officers when they are surrounded by obviously well-trained and experienced officers. Twice in one week I watched my younger, less experienced officers gain that confidence due to the deputies and investigators of your Office. The knowledge and professionalism shown by the investigators and deputies while assisting us in these cases demanded recognition on my part. You should be very proud of the team you have under your command.

Sincerely,

Paul Olsen
Chief, Walton Police”



*Thank you Chief Olsen, we consider it a privilege to
work along side your officers.*

The Rest of the Story:



David A Thompson, 32, of Walton, admitted to entering a residence at 52 Burton Street in Walton and intentionally damaging the residence by attempting to start a fire. “I entered the home and attempted to start a fire using a butane torch and starter logs,” Thompson said.

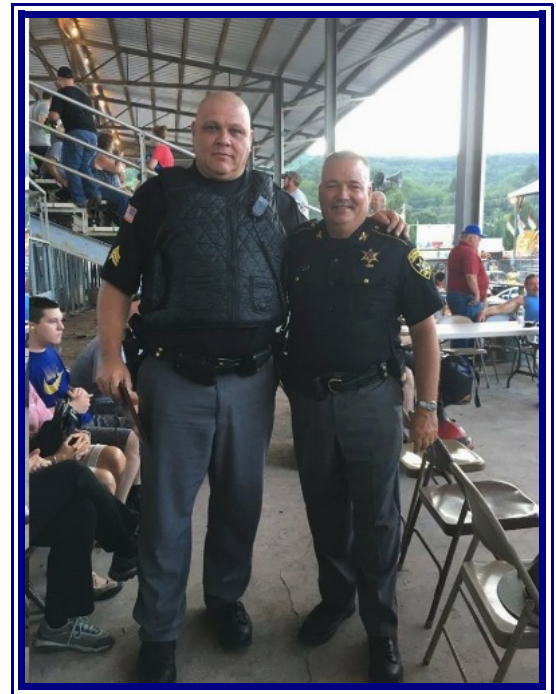
On Nov. 21st Thompson pled guilty to one count of third-degree attempted arson in Delaware County Court and as a part of a plea deal, was sentenced to one-to-three years of state incarceration.

Community Recognition

It is always a source of pride to our Office when the public acknowledges one of our own for making a significant contribution to the safety and security of others. In 2016 the Delaware County Fair Board of Directors honored Sgt. Dwayne Finkle for his 25 years of service and protection by tricking him into reporting to the Grandstand where an audience of appreciative citizens, family, friends and colleagues had secretly gathered to cheer on as Dwayne was surprised with a life-time pass.



With a little help from his strongest supporter (and wife), Jen, this honor came as a complete surprise to Dwayne, although the bleachers were filled with his fans (who were delighted to have totally surprised "the big guy.")



Sgt. Dwayne Finkle and Undersheriff Craig DuMond

STOP DWI BREAKFAST ACKNOWLEDGES SHERIFF'S OFFICE EFFORTS TO ENFORCE DRUNK DRIVING LAWS



Left to Right: Undersheriff Craig Dumond, Deputy Timothy Murray, Deputy Kyle Karcher, State Trooper James M. Feldbauer, Deputy Chris Erwin, Deputy Eric Alexander, Stop DWI Coordinator Scott Glueckert



Have Coffee With County Cops

On Friday, Nov. 18, from 9-11 a.m. at the Delaware County Public Safety Building, 280 Phoebe Lane, Delhi, Delaware County residents were invited to have "Coffee With Cops." The event was planned as an informal opportunity to meet and speak with members of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office about current issues or concerns, gather information about programs and learn to make a positive difference in one's community.



2016 DOG TALES

Our K-9 unit continues to take an active role in drug finds, raids and round-ups. Be sure to check out our K-9 Unit on the Sheriff's web page to keep current with their ongoing accomplishments.



Delaware County Sheriff K-9 Officer Ozzie and his handler, Sergeant John Demeo, gave numerous demonstrations at the day-long "Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is" fundraiser held in Walton on March 13. Here, Demeo, out of frame, demonstrates



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.

We can't begin to express our appreciation to the owners and employees of Danny's Diner in Walton for supplying the food and manpower to host a spaghetti dinner on March 13th. All proceeds from meals sold on that date (and generous individual donations too) were placed in our K-9 maintenance fund. The outpouring of community participation far exceeded our wildest expectations. Our K-9 unit was on hand at this event and they welcomed this opportunity to meet and greet the public who have expressed their commitment to ridding Delaware County of illegal drugs. We appreciate the public's encouragement every bit as much as its financial support.



In 2016, Sgt. Demeo and K-9 Officer Ozzie were each awarded the prestigious "Citizen of the Year Awards" by the Walton Grange: Sgt. Demeo was recognized for "exceptional Leadership skill and Bravery" and K-9 Ozzie was recognized for his "exceptional skill and bravery" in serving their community.

Ozzie and his basic needs are funded by your contributions. He trains hard and he works hard and his performance is never less than his best as is the matching loyalty level of appreciative citizens.





We invite you to get to know us better

Follow us in your local newspaper

From the Sheriff's Desk



Or come visit us:

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.

Look for us on the Web:



SHERIFF'S WEBSITE

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

Join us in on your computer or Smart Phone.....

Every year we add categories to our web page that we feel might be of interest to the general public. We appreciate the tips we receive from the public regarding illegal drug trafficking. Keep them coming.

FREE Mobile APP



The Delaware County Sheriff's Office makes real-time correctional center information, with mug shots, charges and offender information available on a Smartphone app sponsored by Go Mobile. The app is a free download, and available for both iPhone and Android smart devices. Users should search "Mobile Patrol" which is offered by Appriss. The app also includes information regarding warrants, sex offenders, missing children, the inmate population, news and so much more.

Join us at community events in the tent





“America was not built on fear. America was built on courage, on imagination and an unbeatable determination to do the job at hand.” - Harry Truman

The following employees used no sick time in 2016

Sheriff's Office

Deputy Eric Alexander
Lt. Timothy Buckley
Deputy Jeff Clark
Sgt. John Demeo
Deputy Christopher Erwin
Deputy Kyle Karcher
Deputy Caroline Lennon
Investigator Joe Mauro
Cpl. Kim Smith

Correctional Facility

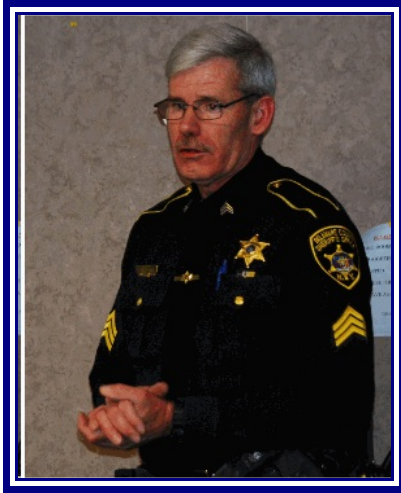
CO Michelle Cortellessa
CO Heather Evangelista
CO Heath Goff
CO Paul Hamilton, Jr.
First Sgt. John Lehmann
CO David McClung
CO David Mondore
CO Robert Pangburn
CO Melissa Small

**Significant Anniversaries:
Years of Service**

NAME	5 yr.	10 yr.	15 yr.	20 yr.
Heather Evangelista		X		
Terry Lambrecht		X		
Robert Mantzouratos		X		
Heidi Mills	X			
Christin Reynolds (Pashley)	X			
Kim Smith			X	
Evelyn Tripp				X
Kenneth Wilber	X			

Thank you for bringing professionalism, dedication and enthusiasm to the job. We appreciate your strong work ethic and look forward to spending many more rewarding career years together.

Retirement



After completing a career spanning thirty years of distinguished (albeit not continuous) service with the Delaware County Sheriff's Office, Sgt. Jody Proffitt announced his intentions to retire and move to the Sunny South effective January 20, 2016.

During his employ, Sgt. Proffitt was a valued employee and on his last day, he left smiling, with the same enthusiasm, vigor and positive attitude, he exhibited when he first started. Sgt. Proffitt is a quiet man, who projects the possession of inner strength. He could always be counted upon to accept new challenges, ever expanding his job description. In 1995 Jody Proffitt was chosen from a pool of all county employees for recognition as Delaware County's "Employee of the Month". He represented his profession with pride.

Sgt. Proffitt's personnel file is thick, and comprises many letters from appreciative citizens, exhaustive training results and various awards and recognitions. It reflects favorably on the career of a dedicated lawman; it accounts for incidents involving risk and danger; extensive training and hours of mundane paperwork. Many are called to the profession; but few stay the course. It's "highs" are happy endings and its "lows" bear witness to unspeakable sadness.



Sgt. Proffitt's last major assignment entailed organizing our accreditation files to bring them into compliance with New York State standards. . He did so with his usual pride in ownership. After the State reviewed them, we were informed that our records were organized in an exemplary manner and would be used as a training tool for other Offices to emulate. Sgt. Proffitt could always be counted upon to perform his work efficiently and on schedule. He routinely exceeded our expectations and exhibited a high degree of professionalism in accomplishing his assignments.

One of Sgt. Proffitt's last accomplishments was the successful completion of the training required for participation in the Sheriff's Office's Mounted Patrol Division. Little did we know last year, that after he cleared this one last hurdle, we would be wishing our good friend and colleague a fond farewell.

Happy Trails, Jody
You will be missed.

WELCOME BACK MIKE HOOD



As Chief Michael Hood (right) retires from Village of Sidney Police Department, “new” Chief Jan Gorshack (L) looks on.

“Welcome back, your dreams were your ticket out.....Well the names have all changed since you hung around...But those dreams have remained and they’ve turned around...Who’d have thought they’d lead ya...Back here where we need ya....”

John Sebastian

On October 28, 2016, Chief Michael Hood retired from the Sidney Village Police Department after 21 years of dedicated and commendable service. He cites “contributing to a significant reduction in juvenile crime in the Village” as his proudest accomplishment.



From our vantage point, we have observed that good-natured Chief Hood and his hard-working officers have garnered a mutually-rewarding rapport with young people. The officers remain approachable, but respected too by co-mingling their serious assignments with wholesome fun. This picture was taken at Sidney School where Hood’s officers helped sell \$1,500.00 worth of Ronald McDonald Socks for the Francisco Diaz & Ronald McDonald House.

When speaking of Chief Hood’s retirement, Village Mayor Andrew Matviak said Hood had done “an outstanding job for us. He will be missed by residents and the village board. Mike was with us through two devastating floods and showed outstanding leadership.”

Alas, Sidney’s loss is our gain and the Mike Hood has promised to spend more time at the Delaware County Sheriff’s Office where he has always maintained a strong working relationship – ever since he started his law enforcement career with us at the tender age of 20. Mike, Welcome back, welcome back, welcome back



TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS



Delaware County Undersheriff Craig S. DuMond (center) completed Statewide Training Program in Saratoga Springs and accepted his certificate from Saratoga Sheriff Michael Zurlo (left) and Executive Director Christopher O'Brien from the New York State Sheriff's Association Institute. Forty Undersheriffs from counties across New York State attended the program which is designed to introduce them to the latest advancements in law enforcement and correctional practices.



EMS Director Steve Hood (red shirt) and co-director Maggie Wilson (Navy blue shirt) offering boat training with Deputy Sheriffs (Left to right) Kim Smith, Jeff Clark, Eric Alexander and Tim Murray.

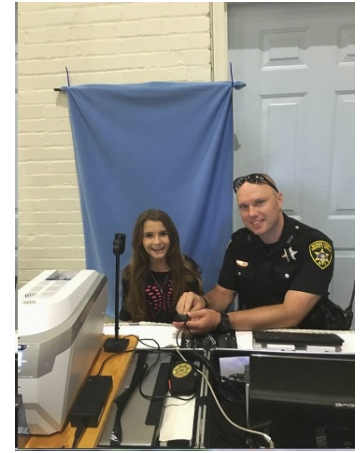


Participating in Civic Events





FAIR SECURITY



Although the pictures might indicate otherwise, Fair Duty is serious business. Over 80,000 people attended the Delaware County Fair in Walton, New York in August 2016 and there are many, many responsibilities involved in keeping the visitors, workers and hordes of animals safe. Our Deputies look forward to being assigned Fair Duty because it is an opportunity for them to mingle with the public and share pleasantries while providing needed protection.



random acts of kindness



On December 21st the Delaware County Sheriff's Office commenced a "Random Acts of Kindness Holiday Initiative". Cpl. Kim Smith, Deputy David Barnes and members of the agency handed out gift cards and gifts to the public in recognition of their participation in positive activities within their communities.

To fund the initiative, the Delaware County Deputy Sheriff's Police Benevolent Association gave the Sheriff's Office \$1,000 to purchase gift cards. Local businesses and citizens also donated gift cards.

"We're always looking for creative and unique ways to engage the public with us," added Undersheriff DuMond. "This gives an opportunity for our deputies to be seen in a different light from our community members and to be honest with you, I think it also gives them an opportunity to feel good about the work they do."



The Sheriff's Office also teamed up with the Delaware County Office for the Aging this holiday season to give out Christmas gifts to senior citizens in Delaware County.

"Typically, when we're interacting, we're called to somebody's home or place of business or on a traffic stop. We see people at their worst times; definitely not at their best. Doing things like this, it's great to give back to the community and it's good to have interaction with the public," said Deputy Sheriff David Barnes



Mounted Patrol

Undersheriff Craig DuMond (mounted atop Romeo) supervises the Mounted Patrol at their appearances throughout Delaware County. Sadly, Romeo passed away during the last days of the 2016 fair. He will be missed. He always got a lot of admiration from his fans as he faithfully performed his duties with pride and dignity.

The Sheriff's Mounted patrol participates in civic events throughout the year in Delaware County.

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

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS



"School Resource Officers are sworn law enforcement officers who are responsible for providing security and crime prevention services in the American school environment."

- Wikipedia

Deputy Sheriff David Barnes spends the majority of his working areas as a school resource officer at local schools. When he is absent, we have several other deputies available to cover during his absence.



CIVIL LAW

**The first step
in debt recovery
is usually to send
a letter of demand
to the person who
owes the money.**

CIVIL DIVISION

The Civil Division of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office 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.

2016 Stats

Total Papers Served:	888	Total Property Executions:	5
Total Income Executions:	526	Orders of Protection Served	125
Pistol Permits:	498		

Description	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Fees	\$41,538.33	\$42,355.92	\$33,546.90	\$38,341.88	\$66,447.27	\$68,039.71
Total Poundage	37,832.11	33,155.11	39,859.16	47,118.84	\$35,946.00	\$34,727.96
Total Revenue	79,370.44	75,511.03	73,406.06	85,460.72	\$102,393.27	\$102,767.67



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.**

Although the communications department is under the direct supervision of EMS Director, Steve Hood, the Sheriff's Office works closely with the management and dispatchers. 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.

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 832-5555 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 Officer Dan McGowan.

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."



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. These forms will also be available at the Fair and are handed out routinely by the Office of the Aging and various other civic groups.

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



BICYCLE HELMETS

The pricey helmets 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.

GRANTS

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.



In 2014, we received a grant from Homeland Security for \$22,500 with which to purchase and install a camera on a pole in downtown Delhi to monitor government buildings on Main Street for Safety and Security purposes. This grant proved its versatility on August 18, 2016 when 3 buildings in the heart of Delhi became engulfed in flames. Our Dispatchers were able to view the fire on a large screen in the Communications Division serving the Delaware County Sheriff's Office and Emergency Services Department. It should be noted the camera was not on the same block as the fire, but the zoom capability still provided a clear view of the blaze. Ten fire departments responded to the blaze and thankfully no injuries were reported.

2016 GRANT AWARDS

Bulletproof Vest Grant Award	\$ 1,600.00
Invest Partnership Vest Award	2,850.00
Homeland Security FY16 for cameras	25,000.00
Legislative Grant for Combating drug use from Senator Peter Lopez	2,500.00
Live Scan Fingerprint System	10,000.00



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 thirty-nine (39) reportable incidents. This number is up from previous years due to the number of inmates we have had from an increase in boarders. 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 2016, we processed in 1773 inmates, 56 more than last year. Of those processed in, 631 were new bookings. 38 more than last year. Among those inmates committed to this facility we had 605 jail-related transports, transporting a total of 811 inmates. This figure is below our average of 700 transports since we are in our new facility.

The amount of transports was less than in the past largely due to numerous inmates going to the same court at the same time thus creating less transports, but more people transported. If a minimum time spent on each transport averaged only two and a half hours, it would add up to close to 1300 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 2016, we billed out boarding fees in the amount of 327,373.38 which amounts to \$80,084.25 more than last year, to other counties which include Broome, Otsego, Herkimer, Ulster and from the U. S. Marshall's service. This higher total reflects the fact that there is still 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 fourteen years ago, we have taken in \$3,998,587.00 in boarding fees alone. Even though this facility is not considered an income-producing facility, we can still produce large amounts of revenue for the County.

Other revenue generated this past year adds up to another \$37,764.23 – bringing the total revenues generated in 2016 by the Jail to \$334,317.66. This does not include monies received from the State for transporting State inmates.

TRANSPORTS

Description	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Mental Health	6	1	4	3	7	8	8	8	5	2	8	2
Medical	198	160	140	178	195	193	160	204	142	101	100	66
Dental	56	83	92	88	88	58	79	36	76	65	62	61
Funeral	1	3			2	1	3	---	2	1	1	---
Cty/Supreme Court	139	145	158	136	144	191	123	162	204	168	132	98
Family Court	24	42	25	32	27	22	28	80	47	53	60	70
Other Courts	192	244	234	225	252	253	229	235	231	324	228	175
Other Corr. Facilities	34	29	42	43	42	53	40	36	28	27	13	6
Work Detail		5						7	9	6	1	7
Relay w/other Agency		4	1	3	2	3		2	---	---	---	---
Transport by Other Agency			9	4	17	7		---	---	---	---	---
Federal Transports			11	22	31	4		19	19	10	9	10
TOTALS	650	716	716	734	807	793	670	789	763	757	605	495
YEAR	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016

BOARDING IN PRISONERS

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
125,475	367,275	567,450	452,100	354,075	187,985	174,420
2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	TOTAL
134,960	237,366	563,937	223,117	245,289	365,138	\$3,998,587

REVENUE FROM U.S. MARSHALL'S SERVICE FOR TRANSPORTING INMATES

2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	TOTAL
\$3,472	\$9,252	\$11,667	\$2,164	---	\$7,932	\$10,652	\$14,556	\$11,845	\$10,000	\$81,540



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.



Narcan Response Kit

Contents of Response Kit

Deputies at the Delaware County Sheriff's Office carry NARCAN and are trained in its use to reverse the effects of opioids, narcotic medicines and illegal substances, like heroin.

CHAPLAINCY



Accepting Plaque (L to R) Lt. Timothy Buckly, Sheriff Thomas Mills, and Undersheriff Craig DuMond.

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, and Elliott Oakes. Kathy Flanders was extended an appreciative farewell on her last day of providing adult bible study to female inmates on December 13, 2016.

The picture above was taken on December 13, as Chaplain John Grenier (second from left) presented the Delaware County Sheriff's Office with a “Policeman's Prayer of Protection” plaque based upon Psalm 91.

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. **It is estimated that it costs us \$1.84 per meal to feed an inmate.**



SERT TEAM (Tactical Response Team)

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office is in the process of establishing a Special Emergency Response team for Correction (SERT). It will include highly trained, motivated and experienced Corrections Officers, trained to respond to incidents, riots, cell extractions, searches, etc. at our Correctional Facility. We are appreciative of their commitment to this added responsibility. The members are expected available to respond whenever needed.



Much of the needed equipment was purchased using Seized Asset Forfeiture Funds which is not an expense our taxpayers have to fund. It is money that was seized during drug raids and is spent for facilitating future drug arrests.

**2016
Delaware County Law Enforcement Academy
Cpl. Kim Smith, Director**



Please note: Correction officers wearing gray uniforms are from Otsego County

EVIDENCE COLLECTION

In addition to her road patrol duties, Corporal 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.

DWI arrest made in Stamford turns media's eyes on Delaware County

You just never know who you will be incarcerated next in our jail. Everyone has a story, but most stories are not newsworthy. An exception occurred on August 16th because Alexandria Duval (born Alison Dadow) drifted her vehicle into the left lane on Rt. 23 in Stamford, narrowly missing a State Police investigator's vehicle. She turned onto Main Street where she was pulled over. She was arrested for drunk driving because the results of her breathalyzer showed she had a blood alcohol level of 0.26, more than three times above the legal limit. She was not wearing a seat belt and refused to be fingerprinted, photographed or say where she lived. She was incarcerated in our Correctional Facility, pled not guilty to aggravated DWI, obstruction of justice and numerous traffic violations. Bail was posted at \$5,000 cash or \$10,000 Bond, but tripled when the judge learned a warrant had been issued for her arrest in Utah following a DWI charge there.



CO's Heather Evangelista & Eric Baker



Alison and Ann Dadow

Alexandria Duval (one of many names Alison had assumed) was reluctant to give any information about herself, but it soon became known that we had arrested a "person of interest" and the news media far and wide published stories about Ms. Duval's duplicitous past. The 37-year old twins, hailing from Utica, had a colorful history of failed business ventures, bankruptcies and extravagant lifestyles. They had committed numerous drunk driving offenses, left unsuspecting employees unpaid and cheated hundreds of clients out of unrefunded yoga studio memberships.

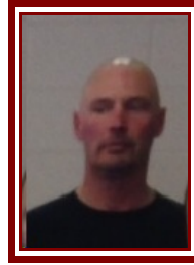
The culmination of the twins' downward spiral occurred a few months earlier, on May 29, 2016. Alexandria drove a white 2016 Ford Explorer SUV off a cliff in Maui while spectators watched her engaged in a hair-pulling, screaming match with her identical twin sister, Anastasia (Ann), who tried unsuccessfully to gain control of the steering wheel. Alexandria stomped on the gas pedal from a stopped position and quickly accelerated to an estimated speed of between 40-50 miles an hour as she turned the wheel sharply to crash through a rock wall, launching them over a 200 feet high cliff descending to a craggy shoreline below. Anastasia was pronounced dead at the scene from severe head trauma and Alexandria, was airlifted to a hospital and charged with second degree murder, only to walk free due to lack of evidence to prove she intentionally murdered her sister. She flew back east to her hometown, and was arrested in Stamford.

After leaving our jail on September 2nd, the news media caught up with Alexandria again in the Albany area on November 11th when she was spotted by police, bolted, and quickly nabbed. New developments on the Hawaii mishap justified her extradition there following a grand jury indictment for second degree murder. She was arrested on a bench warrant and her bail was set at \$3,000,000 but thereafter reduced significantly. Ultimately her father, Dr. John Dadow, formerly a New York prison doctor, posted her bail in an amount estimated to be between \$200,000 - \$250,000.

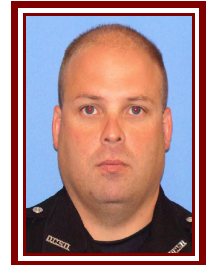
Beginning with the death of their mother when they were five years old, the twins' family life was visited by great personal loss punctuated by fabulous and extravagant life styles. They were described by classmates as brilliant and said to have aspired to become neurosurgeons. They chased fame and fortune and almost grasped it-- until the reality show they had been offered did not materialize and their financial investments toward that end plummeted them into deep despair and escalated the drunken fits of violent anger that had plagued them since their youth.



Road Patrol Lt. Timothy Buckley



Sr. Inv Karl Vagts



Sgt. John Demeo

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.

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.

Combating the heroin epidemic takes up a lot of our Officer’s time. It would seem that it is a sign of our times to count “Drug Bust Watching” as a spectator sport for area citizens; and there are many to watch.



2016 Highlights

Our Road Patrol deputies responded to a wide variety of accidents in 2016; some small, some large:



Sometimes accidents are not life threatening.

No lives were lost in the accidents depicted here.



Sometimes you really do want to cry over spilt milk:

Wednesday 12/14/2016 - 7:30 AM

Deputies were called to the scene of a personal injury tractor-trailer rollover on County Route 16 in Delhi.

With a ladder provided by a neighbor, they were able to extricate the driver from the trailer's cab which was partially suspended from a bridge over Platner Brook.

The truck had made it all the way from Michigan carrying approximately 2,500 gallons of cream and was only a few short miles shy of delivering its load to the Saputo Dairy plant in Fraser. The driver sustained only minor injuries; but the milk all spilt into the creek.



August 15, 2016

Monday morning, loaded concrete truck on State Highway 28 in Meredith took evasive action to avoid a vehicle that had crossed center line. Driver avoided collision with the northbound vehicle by leaving roadway and coming to rest in a ditch. Members of the Meridale Fire Department assisted Sheriff Office Deputies.

Monthly Activity - Road Patrol Criminal Division

Description	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Traffic Summons	126	151	141	225	164	151	201	116	121	172	115	95	1778
No. of DWI's	2	1	5	6	5	4	4	2	1	7	5	6	48
No. of Arrests Violations/Mis/ Felony	86	77	80	78	47	38	90	51	54	84	58	62	805
Property Checks	48	84	99	124	113	103	77	47	84	69	76	78	1,002
Assist Other Agencies	56	67	56	45	63	61	96	74	61	68	55	46	748
Traffic Stops	176	204	200	269	215	172	291	215	152	188	193	116	2,391
No. Calls Answ'd	589	656	697	766	749	710	829	764	701	716	719	637	8,533
Miles Patrolled	31,690	35,713	35,726	38,969	36,094	39,173	33,150	34,849	33,523	30,789	27,882	31,419	408,977

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

SJS INCIDENT REPORT TOTALS

2016 = 5,649 (10% increase over 2015: 334.5% increase over 2011)
2015 = 5,131
2011 = 1,300

ARREST TOTALS

2016 = 463 (28.25% increase over 2015; 116.4% increase over 2011)
2015 = 361
2011 = 214

Description	2016 Total - 5,649	2015 Total - 5,131
Abandoned/Disabled Vehicle	80	72
Active Shooter Drill/Preparation	2	
Aircraft Accident		1
Accidental Gunshot Injury		1
Accident - ATV	2	3
Accident - Serious Personal Injury - Car		1
Accident - Serious Personal Injury - Motorcycle		1
Accident - FATAL Car	1	1
Accident - FATAL ATV MVA		1
Accident - FATAL Farm	1	
Accident - Hit & Run	13	5
Accident - Personal Injury	45	29
Accident - Property Damage	213	178

Description	2016 Total - 5,649	2015 Total - 5,131
Accident - Snowmobile		1
Accident - Tractor		2
Accident - Car/Bear	2	3
Accident - Car/Deer	86	103
Active Shooter Drill	2	
Applicant Background Investigation	2	4
Assist Broome County S.I.U. Task Force		9
Assist Chenango Co. S.O.		1
Assist Colchester PD	14	16
Assist Delhi PD	55	43
Assist Deposit PD		1
Assist Del. Co. District Attorney	1	
Assist D.A. Investigators		2
Assist Hancock PD	10	11
Assist NYC DEP Police	2	3
Assist NYS Environmental Conservation Police	1	2
Assist NYSP	121	121
Assist Oneonta PD	11	4
Assist Other Deputy	393	240
Assist Other Law Enforcement Agencies	4	5
Assist Otsego Co. S.O./911		3
Assist Roxbury Town Constable	10	3
Assist Schoharie Co. S.O.	2	
Assist Sidney PD	13	13
Assist Sullivan Co. S.O.	1	
Assist SUNY Delhi University PD	9	4
Assist Tioga Co. S.O.	1	
Assist Walton PD	72	77
Assist D.S.S. Caseworker	26	20
Assist Dela. Co. Probation	6	7
Assist Public Health	1	
Assist Dog Control Officer	2	3

Description	2016 Total - 5,649	2015 Total - 5,131
Assist EMS	37	31
Assist Fire Department	4	9
Assist Homeless Person	4	
Assist Motorist	3	9
Assist NYS DOT		1
Aggravated Harassment	32	29
A.U.O.	36	21
Alarm Activation - EID/Bank/Holdup/Panic, etc.	151	119
Animal/Dog Bite	3	2
Animal Complaint	78	59
Animal Struck by Motor Vehicle	18	50
Assist Citizen		9
Assault	9	11
Assault (<i>Correctional Facility</i>)	1	1
Assault (<i>with weapon</i>)		1
Attempt to Locate/Check Welfare	97	83
ATV Complaint	22	18
Bad Check	2	6
Bike Safety Presentation		1
Bomb Threat		2
Burglary	43	43
Child Abuse/Endangering		2
Child Pornography	3	2
Civic Group Presentation		3
Civil Matter	46	31
Civil Process & Orders of Protection Served	99	121
Attempted Service of Civil Process & Orders of Protection	17	33
Computer Trespass	1	
Confidential Informant	23	21
Court Security Detail	1	
Counterfeit Currency		1
Criminal Contempt	28	15

Description	2016 Total - 5,649	2015 Total - 5,131
Criminal Mischief	53	64
Criminal Possession of a Weapon	6	5
Criminal Sale of a Weapon	1	
Criminal Impersonation	2	
Criminal Summons	1	
Criminal Tampering	1	
Custody Dispute/Custodial Interference	7	11
Death Notification	2	2
Disorderly Conduct	23	10
DNA Collection	14	16
Dog Complaint	43	39
Domestic Disputes	139	77
DWI/DWAI/DWAI Drugs	48	30
Drug Information Received	24	18
Drug Sales (<i>Controlled Buys</i>)	52	33
Attempted Controlled Drug Buy	1	6
Drug Possession (<i>Controlled Substances</i>)	23	16
Drug Surrender (<i>For Destruction</i>)	3	1
Emotionally Disturbed/Mental Health 9.41	69	66
Endangering Welfare of a Child	6	4
Endangering Welfare of Incompetent Person	4	3
Environmental Conservation Complaint	5	4
Explosion Report	4	2
Falsely Reporting an Incident	1	
Fatal Logging Accident		1
Fatal Structure Fire	1	1
Fire Call/Fire Investigation	18	16
Fire - Vehicle Fire	2	9
Firearms Destruction		1
Firearms Investigation	1	
Firearm Seizures (<i>Order of Protection</i>)	4	4
Firearm Surrenders	14	11

Description	2016 Total - 5,649	2015 Total - 5,131
Fireworks Complaint	8	11
Forgery	5	2
Fraud	29	30
Fugitive from Justice	2	6
Harassment	102	135
Health & Safety Hazard	1	
Hypodermic Instrument Possession	3	4
Identity Theft	9	10
K-9 Jail Search	2	1
K-9 Maintenance Training	17	20
K-9 Presentation		2
K-9 Residence/Vehicle/Wildland Searches		7
K-9 S School Search	2	5
K-9 Assist Sidney PD	1	
K-9 Assist Walton PD		2
K-9 Assist NYSP		1
Landlord/Tenant Dispute	27	26
Larceny	92	108
Liquor Law Violation	2	11
Littering	3	2
Lockout	1	
Menacing	2	1
Methamphetamine Lab	1	
Missing Person (<i>Adult & Child</i>)	16	10
Neighbor Dispute	20	20
Noise Complaint	17	33
NYS OHS Operation Safeguard Outreach	9	
Obstructing Governmental Administration	3	3
Open/Unlocked Door	4	4
Overdose (<i>Non-Fatal</i>)	4	1
Person Exposing Self		1
Pistol Permit Investigations	574	273

Description	2016 Total - 5,649	2015 Total - 5,131
Pistol Permit Suspension/Revocation	53	20
Pistol Investigation - SAFE ACT Related		1
Pistol Investigation - Deceased Licensee	18	14
Parole Violator		1
Person Screaming		1
Person with a Gun		1
Police Information Received	2	4
Possession of Stolen Property	8	2
Prisoner Transport/Relay	22	31
Probation Violation		1
Project Lifesaver Sign-up	5	1
Promoting Prison Contraband	15	5
Property Check - <i>Private Sector</i>	316	331
Property Check - <i>Grand Gorge BOCES</i>	5	17
Property Check - <i>Masonville BOCES</i>	7	15
Property Check - <i>White Birch Airport</i>	17	18
Property Check - <i>County Owned Properties</i>		23
Property Check - <i>East Sidney Dam</i>	6	15
Property Check - <i>Oquaga State Park</i>	1	7
Property Dispute	31	17
Property Lost and Found	16	14
Property Retrieval	22	13
Property - Safekeeping		1
Property Surrender for Destruction		1
Removal of Unwanted Guest	1	
Repossessed Vehicle Notification	1	
Resisting Arrest		2
Robbery - Strong Arm	2	
Runaway Juvenile	7	3
School Check - <i>Andes</i>	41	34
School Check - <i>Charlotte Valley</i>	68	49
School Check - <i>Delaware Academy</i>	32	57

Description	2016 Total - 5,649	2015 Total - 5,131
School Check - <i>Deposit</i>	24	81
School Check - <i>Downsville</i>	86	99
School Check - <i>Franklin</i>	70	103
School Check - <i>Hancock</i>	31	52
School Check - <i>Margaretville</i>	64	57
School Check - <i>Roxbury</i>	37	28
School Check - <i>Sidney Central</i>	23	42
School Check - <i>South Kortright</i>	51	36
School Check - <i>Stamford Central</i>	95	74
School Check - <i>Walton Central</i>	33	30
School Presentation	6	1
School Resource Officer - <i>Sidney School</i>	85	66
School Resource Officer - <i>Masonville BOCES</i>	71	68
Search Warrant	8	3
Security Details	4	15
Sex Offenses	20	26
Sex Offender Registry	210	208
Sex Offender Registration Violation		5
Shooting Complaints	16	9
Snowmobile Patrol Detail		3
Stalking	1	
Stolen Vehicle/Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle	4	4
Suicide	3	1
Attempted Suicide	2	1
Suspicious Activity	21	10
Suspicious Package	1	2
Suspicious Persons	46	31
Suspicious Vehicle	20	26
Taser Deployment Download & Review	4	1
Terrorism Related Threat	2	2
Theft of Services		1
Traffic Hazard	5	32

Description	2016 Total - 5,649	2015 Total - 5,131
Transport	7	9
Trespass	51	63
Unattended Death	13	15
Unlawful Cultivation of Marihuana	8	7
Unlawful Criminal Possession of Marihuana	28	11
Unlawful Dealing With a Child	6	1
V.I.N. Verification	1	4
V&T Complaints	116	80
Warrants Received		
Arrest	10	10
Bench	22	40
County Court	1	7
Family Court	32	32
Probation	9	3
Indictment Warrant	16	8
Parole Warrant	1	4
Civil Warrant	1	
Welfare Fraud		1
Wires Down		4
911 Hang-Up Calls	66	68

PROPERTY CHECKS - 2016

School/Property	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Andes School	2	4	2	7	3	6	3	2	3	2	4	3
Charlotte Valley Sch	3	4	7	9	10	11	7	2	7	2	4	2
Delaware Academy	3	6	2	3	1			1	3	4	5	4
Deposit School	3	1	3		3	1		2	5	3	2	1
Downsville School	3	11	9	12	8	7	8	7	8	7	4	2
Franklin School	3	7	6	10	8	9	6	1	3	6	7	4
Hancock School	3	3	1	4	2	4	1	4	4	2	1	2
Margaretville Sch.	5	5	5	10	7	9	3	3	3	4	5	5
Roxbury Central Sch		3	4	6	4	6	2		2	3	3	4
Sidney Central Sch	1		2	4	1	5	3	4	1	2		
So. Kortright Sch	3	4	8	6	5	5	2	2	4	6	3	3
Stamford Central Sch	7	13	11	8	13	7	5	2	8	5	10	6
Walton Central Sch	1	2	2	3	6	3	4	3	4		3	2
Masonville BOCES				1			2					
Grand Gorge BOCES		1	1		1	1		2			2	1
White Birch Airport	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	2
County Owned Prop												
East Sidney Dam						1	4	1				
Oquaga State Park												
Other Private Sector	18	26	37	31	29	27	24	24	30	23	17	30
Total	57	91	101	115	102	103	76	61	87	71	71	71

Grand Total = 1,006



DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT

Jan 26, 2016

The first meth lab in Delaware County to be raided was located at 116 East Street, Walton, (Maybe they shouldn't left the ingredients needed for cooking meth strewn on their lawn.)

7 Adults arrested; 3 small children sent to foster care



Tipster Tipped On Himself

November 30, 2016

Delhi, NY. Two subjects entered private residence in Delhi to buy a large quantity of marihuana, but decided to steal it instead and fled. Pot owner flagged down Deputy asking him to catch thieves who ran with his weed. Once done, they searched the home of complainant and arrested him for criminal sale of marihuana, criminal possession of marihuana and seized 11 ounces of marihuana, a quantity of synthetic marihuana, \$931 dollars in cash and a replica of a Beretta 9mm handgun and digital scale. We appreciate the tip.



Drug arrests reach all corners of the county.

On April 19th, 205 bags of heroin, xanax tablets and \$200 in cash were recovered from the Marvin Street apartment complex in Deposit, NY and the owners of it, Debbie Moore and John Coe were arrested. Coe was in possession of NYS Public Assistance Benefit card.



On June 16th deputies assisted by K-9 Ozzie raided an apartment on Benton Avenue in Walton and arrested Donald Debrock and Nicolette Fischetti for possessing uboxone and marijuana. Two school-age children resided within the residence.



DELAWARE COUNTY TAXPAYERS PAY DRUG DEALERS' LIVING EXPENSES

December 19, 2016

This photograph chronicles a common occurrence: drug dealers receive public assistance and other county perks because they do not declare their drug sales as an income. Such benefit cards show up time and time again at drug raids.

Members of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office "Special Response Team" assisted by K-9 Ozzie and other members of the Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at the home of Douglas and Karen James of Downsville, NY. They found 1 and ½ pounds of marihuana, one and a quarter ounces of cocaine, **\$6,026.00 in cash**, a digital scale, several rifles and active **NYS Public Assistance benefit cards issued to both defendants**.

2016 Drug Enforcement

December 23, 2016 - Peck, Mattice, Fickeria, Vincente, Rose - Drug Dealer Arrests

December 19, 2016 - James, Cocaine & Marihuana, Colchester

December 8, 2016 - Matt Rose, Prescription Drug Sales, Unadilla

November 30, 2016 - Odindo, Baldwin & Freid, Marihuana, Delhi

November 8, 2016 - Oritz & Lewis, Marihuana, Hancock

October 28th, 2016 - Terry & Jamieson, Heroin - Walton

October 11th, 2016 - Mead & Cassie Drug Arrests - Walton

August 25th, 2016 - Perez & Brito, Marijuana - Franklin

August 16, 2016 - Fairbairn, Palmerini, Meyers-Finch, Heroin, Fleischmanns

July 29, 2016 - 3 Margaretville Area Drug Dealers Arrested. Fairbairn, Esposito & Certain

July 20, 2016 - Drug Possession Case Defendants Face Additional Charges - Felice, Bubko, Labumbard, Coe

July 6, 2016 - Louis Brigandai, Criminal Possession of a Weapon, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance, Hamden.

July 5, 2016 - Pete Balde, Possession of Controlled Substance Arrest, Davenport

June 17, 2016 - Debrock & Fischetti, Suboxone & Marihuana, Walton

June 3, 2016 - Gerard "Jerry" Johnson, Heroin, Walton

April 25, 2016 - Wayne J. Hancarik, Heroin & Suboxone, Walton

April 21, 2016 - Leeland "Lee" Liddle, Heroin, Delhi & Sidney

April 19, 2016 - John Coe & Debbie Moore, Heroin & Xanax, Deposit

April 15th, 2016 - Rafael Figueroa, Cocaine, Middletown

April 11th, 2016 - Klinegardner & Bicknell, Methamphetamine, Walton

April 4th, 2016 - Bowker, Buckley, Terry (Jamieson), Heroin & Burglary, Walton

March 14th, 2016 - Anna Bubko & Lucas Labumbard, Felony Drug Charges, Middletown

March 13th, 2016 - Thomas G. Evans II, Criminal Possession Controlled Substance, Tompkins

March 7th, 2016 - Cory Costello & Antonio Felice, Felony Drug Charges, Walton

February 28th, 2016 - Liam P. Hagens, Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance & Speeding, Colchester

February 26th, 2016 - Tara McMullen & Joseph Viola, Suboxone, Hobart & Stamford

February 12, 2016 - Bowers, Green & Mastrococco, Heroin, Walton

February 10, 2016 - Nathan Williams, Adam Green, Patrick Ladd & Eric Black, Heroin, Walton

January 27, 2016 - 7 Arrests, Meth Lab, Walton

January 22, 2016 - Rafael Figueroa, Felony Drug Trafficking/Cocaine, Middletown

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