

DEADWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT

2014 ANNUAL REPORT

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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF Kelly Fuller

I am pleased to submit the Deadwood Police Department's Annual Report for 2014. This report contains a wealth of information and commentary about the department's activities in the past year.

I feel the past year was quite successful as our community continues to be a top destination for

visitors and a wonderful place for our residents to live and play. Through a community policing based philosophy and by utilizing proactive and innovative enforcement strategies, our department strives to provide our community with the very best of public safety related services.

The department responded to 5,244 calls for service in 2014, a 2% increase when compared to 2013. While normally a rise in calls for service might be construed as a negative, the increase can be attributed to more involvement with elementary school safety programs and School Resource Officer (SRO) duties.

While analyzing crime statistics from 2014, many positive indicators to effective policing were present. Criminal arrests actually dropped 24% over last year. We also experienced notable reductions in traffic citations, traffic warnings and most importantly traffic accidents.

While the police department enjoyed many successes in 2014, looking ahead to 2015 will present some exciting challenges. The City of Deadwood has a record number of special events planned for the upcoming year including the 75th Sturgis Motorcycle Rally, which is estimated to bring one million people into the region. Thanks to the hard work and dedication of our employees, our department is poised to address those challenges while continuing to excel as a positive resource within our community.

In closing, I want to thank the citizens of Deadwood and our elected officials for providing us with the guidance and resources to accomplish our mission and goals. I also want to thank our dedicated police officers, ordinance officers and office staff for their commitment to promote a safe and secure community.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS:

The Deadwood Police Department responded to 5,244 calls for service in 2014. This number represents an approximate 2% increase in calls for service when compared to 2013. When analyzing and comparing the data between the two years, it became apparent that the rise in calls for service can be attributed to school safety programs and School Resource Officer (SRO) duties. Documented school safety programs jumped 34% in 2014. Each day before and after school, officers shut off traffic in front of the elementary school to allow students, parents and busses to safely enter the school zone to drop off and pick up kids, while not having to worry about traffic and potential accidents. In addition, officers aid children in safely crossing the street and maintain a strong presence to deter other potential issues.



Traffic enforcement remains a vital aspect of the officer's day to day responsibilities. The department utilizes proactive enforcement strategies and high visibility patrol methods to aid in the detection and apprehension of drug and alcohol impaired drivers and identify other criminal activity that may be occurring in our community. Ultimately, the goals identified for these strategies is to gain compliance of various traffic statutes, prevent and reduce the number of injury and non-injury traffic crashes, crime prevention, community policing and enhanced public safety.

In 2014, the department saw a 10% reduction in the total number of traffic crashes investigated (162 total accidents - 2014; 180 total accidents - 2013) while enjoying a slight decrease in injury related accidents. In addition to the reduction in accident numbers, the department issued 21% fewer citations and 21% fewer warnings for traffic offenses when compared to 2013.

The most common traffic violation occurring in the community continues to be SPEEDING with 169 citations and 197 written warnings issued for this offense. FAILURE TO YIELD TO PEDESTRIAN IN CROSSWALK was the second most cited violation with 24 offenses while STOP LIGHT VIOLATIONS came in third with 21 citations issued. In addition to SPEEDING, DRIVING W/O HEADLIGHTS and STOP LIGHT/STOP SIGN violations accounted for the majority of warnings issued for traffic offenses. **It should be noted that out of 907 documented traffic stops, written or verbal warnings were issued approximately 65% of the time.**

In 2006, the Deadwood Police Department identified alcohol and drug impaired driving as the most serious public safety issue plaguing the community. That year, DUI arrests numbered 252 and accounted for 39% of the department's arrest totals. Thanks to the strategies mentioned above as well as other factors including: media announcements, enhanced public and private transportation alternatives and public education, those

numbers have declined drastically and have leveled off over the past several years. In 2014, the department made 66 DUI arrests, which accounted for only 15% of the department's total arrest numbers. See Figure 2.

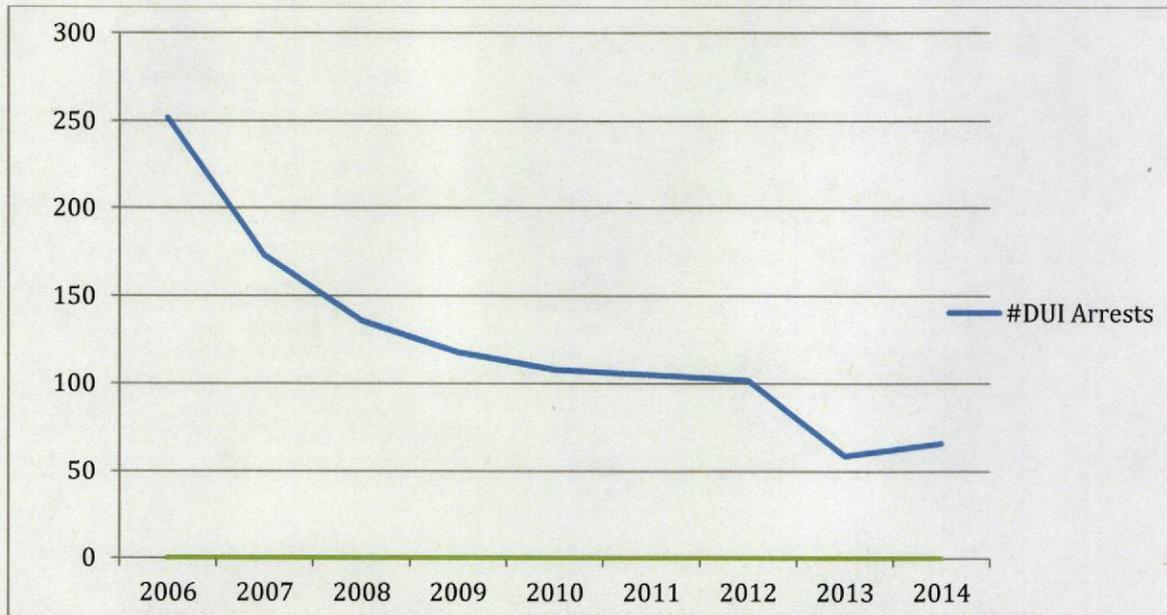


Figure 2: DUI Arrests 2006-2014

Overall, officers made 436 arrests in 2014. This represents a 24% reduction when compared to 2013 when the department made 575 arrests. In addition to DUI, the majority of misdemeanor offenses consisted of:



- Simple Assault - 56
- Poss. & Consumption Under 21 YOA - 33
- Disorderly Conduct - 28
- Displaying Another's License - 27
- Entering or Remaining After Notice - 22
- Possession of Marijuana - 18
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - 17
- Obstructing Law Enforcement Officer - 16
- Resisting Arrest - 10

The Deadwood Police Department made 33 felony arrests in 2014. This is the same number of felony arrests that were made in 2013. A disturbing trend, which was identified in 2013, was a 400% increase in felony drug arrests. In 2013, the department made 17 felony drug arrests. Most of those arrests were attributed to possession of methamphetamine. In 2014, felony drug arrests dropped nearly 30% when only 12 arrests were made. A detailed breakdown appears below:



- * Possession of Controlled Substance - 9
- * DUI (3rd Offense) - 5
- * Aggravated Assault - 4
- * Burglary (3rd Degree) - 3
- * Distribution of Marijuana - 2
- * Fugitive From Justice - 2
- * Aggravated Assault (Domestic) - 2
- * Arson - 1
- * Burglary (1st Degree) - 1
- * Grand Theft - 1
- * DUI (4th Offense) - 1
- * DUI (5th Offense) - 1
- * Possession of Controlled Substance w/intent to Distribute - 1

PARKING /ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT



In May of 2014, the City of Deadwood proudly introduced Passport's Mobile Pay service. The Deadwood Parking & Transportation Committee, after hearing concerns from businesses and customers in relation to paid parking, explored options to improve customer service. Passport's Mobile Pay service was chosen due to it being easy to use and incredibly convenient for parking customers. Customers can now extend their time remotely, which means they no longer have to return to the meter to add more time. Customers also have the ability to receive reminders before their parking sessions end and easily view or print parking receipts from their personal account page. The service also eliminates the need for cash and offers a safe and secure system to pay for parking online.

Customer feedback has been very positive thus far for the service and the number of users is slowly growing. It is anticipated that over time, this service will become more popular with our customers while increasing revenue, reducing maintenance expenses and providing more efficient and effecting monitoring. Passport parking revenue equaled \$2,148.30 in 2014.

Officers issued 2,962 parking tickets in 2014. It should be noted that this number is quite deceiving as approximately **68% are issued as warnings, mostly for "over parked at meter"**. Ticket totals were approximately 28% lower when compared to 2013. One expectation with the Passport's Mobile Pay service was that compliance would be higher due to the ease and convenience to pay. While it is too early to establish a trend, these numbers are promising.

In addition to parking enforcement, Ordinance Officers are responsible for a number of additional duties and provide a plethora of important services to the community. Animal control is one of these services. Ordinance Officers investigate hundreds of animal related complaints annually. These complaints range from animal neglect cases, animal attacks and bites, lost and found animals, injured animals and road kill removal. The department also receives numerous complaints each year in relation to nuisance animals, such as raccoons. In these cases, officers assist residents by live trapping the problem animals and re-locating them to less populated areas. In 2014, officers investigated 235 animal related cases.

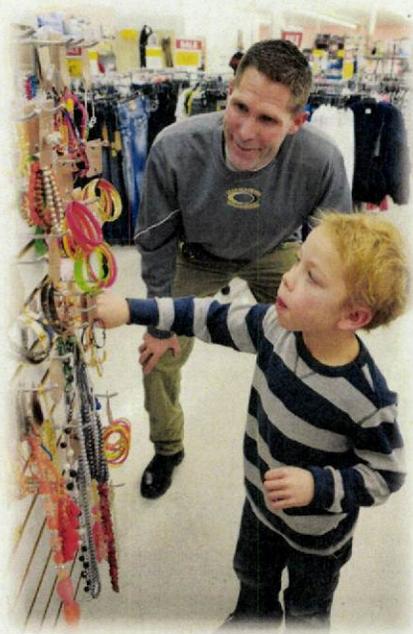
Other duties include enforcement of residential parking ordinances, participation in elementary school safety programs, other city ordinances such as snow removal, weeds etc..., and public nuisances (abandoned vehicles, junk etc...). In 2014, officers investigated 110 ordinance violations, 13 nuisance violations and 166 "other parking complaints".

In conclusion, Ordinance Officers play an essential role in public safety efforts and ensuring the peace and welfare of the community. They also are also vital in community policing efforts as they are readily available to our visitors and routinely answer questions, give directions and act as an ambassador for our city.

COMMUNITY POLICING

By: Kip Mau – Community Policing Officer

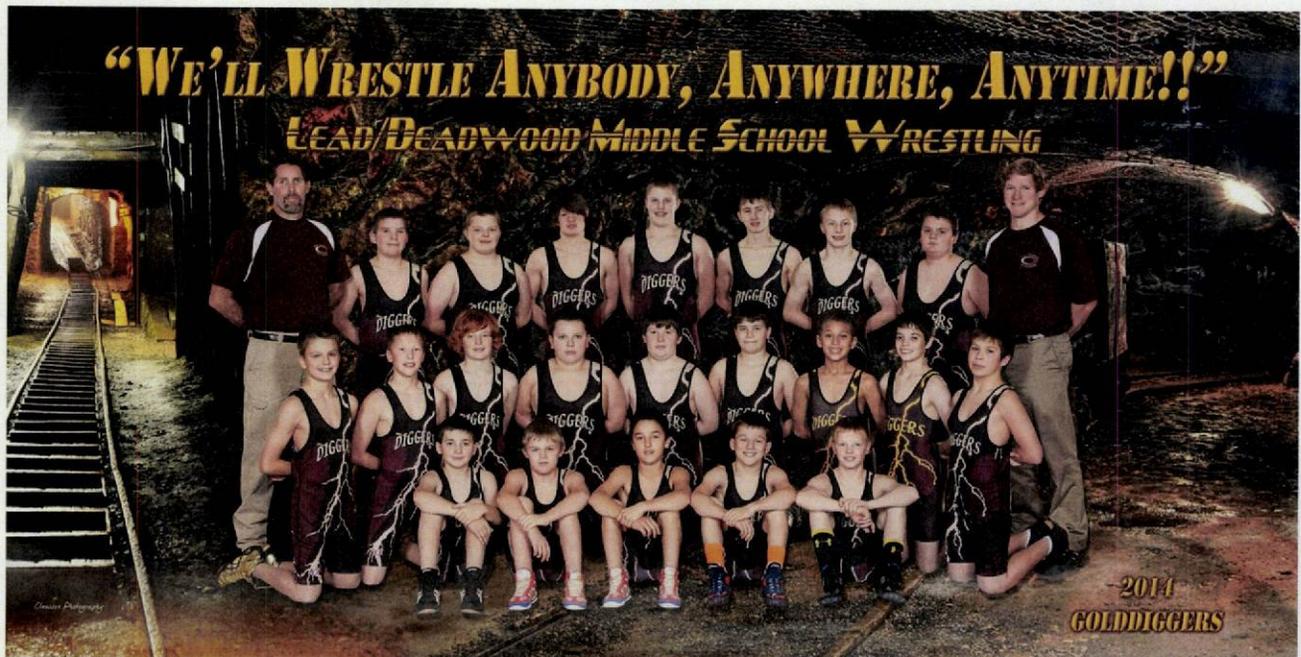
Kelly Fuller took over the reins of the Deadwood Police Department in 2002. Chief Fuller's first order of business was to initiate a community policing philosophy department wide. The department has been the beneficiary of a positive working relationship with the town's residents, business owners and visitors ever since. The hard work of all of the police department's employees has paid dividends, which is evident when you hear about the professionalism and courtesy of our officers on a daily basis.



The police department comes in two parts. First, officers are encouraged to be more involved in community based organizations. Many officers are members of the local Elks Lodge 508 and the Mason's Lodge. Chief Fuller, Corporal Rob Lester and Officer Kip Mau are members of the Deadwood-Lead Optimists club. The Optimists run the Back-Pack Program, which provides food to local youth over the weekends. The Optimists also donate thousands of dollars to different youth organizations throughout the year as well as a college scholarship. The second part of the philosophy is that kids are a huge part of our community. Keeping kids busy after school and giving them something to do physically will make them better adults. That is why Chief Fuller encourages his officers to coach youth sports as much as possible and to be viewed as positive role models within the community.

The Deadwood Police Department enjoys corroborating with different organizations in our community to better foster community policing activities. Officers have conducted "Shop with a Cop", for the past several years. "Shop with a Cop", helps those families that need a little extra assistance during the holiday season. Officer Mau has played a role in the local Teen Court program by teaching Law and You classes and helping as a Bailiff during court. Teen Court helps those youths stay out of the formal juvenile court system while still making the youth take responsibility for their actions and consequences to "Pay back", their community.

There are several community events that the department helps with during the year. The department still conducted the, "Take Back", program in partnership with the DEA. Several pounds of old, unused prescription and over the county drugs are taken and disposed of safely. The department, along with the Deadwood Elks Lodge 508 buy and disperse Halloween bags and glow sticks to the entire elementary school. The Lawrence County Protection Team is another group the officers work with for the betterment of at - risk youth.



SRO Kip Mau (Standing - Far Left) with his 2014 Middle School Wrestling Team

A big part of the Community Policing is being visible and approachable. Chief Fuller requires his officers to conduct foot patrols in high volume areas during their shifts. These areas include Main Street and business sections. Officers logged 812 foot patrols in our community in 2014.

The department continues to provide safety programs at the elementary school. Each day, officers close the street in front of the elementary school before and after school. This reduces vehicle traffic, which greatly reduces the chance for an accident that could have tragic consequences. This program was conducted 508 times in 2014.

Another CPA program that Chief Fuller implemented was the Bike Patrol. Officer Mau spends his 40 hours a week during the summer months patrolling the high volume areas of town along with the Mickelson Trail System. He is visible, approachable and available to the town's residents and visitors while enhancing safety and security in these areas.

The School Resource Officer program is alive and well after 11 years of service. Officer Mau has been assigned to the school since its inception. Officer Mau has gotten to know, "his kids," through teaching the 4th and 5th amendments to the high school government class, teaching "Choices" class to middle school health students and teaching 7th grade D.A.R.E. Along with coaching football for 11 years, coaching wrestling for 7 years and baseball for 10 years, Mau has built a bond of trust and mutual respect with hundreds of students over the years. Officer Mau's responsibilities include providing security and safety to over 400 students and staff at the middle and high school. Officer Mau has logged 305 Calls for Service at the schools in 2014.

Elementary SRO Program

Typical duties of an Elementary SRO,

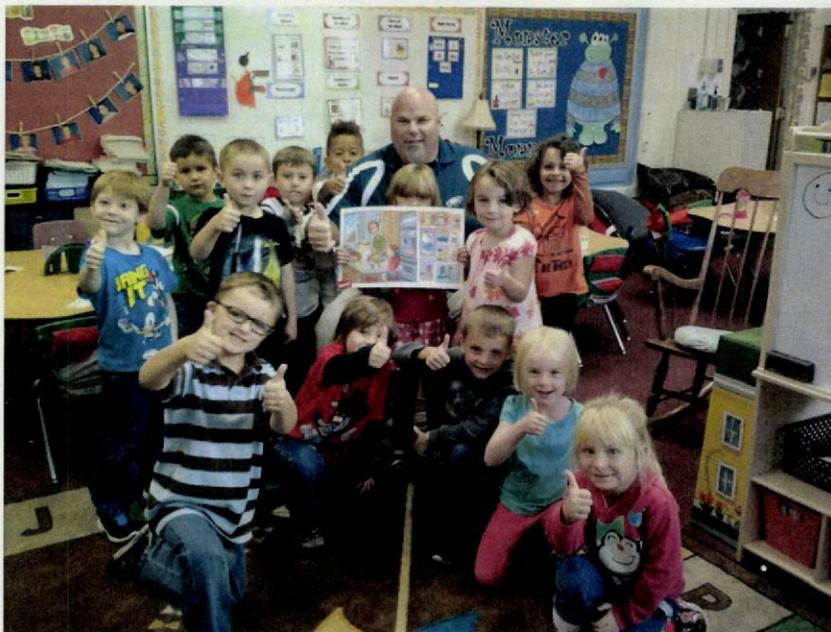
An SRO's traditional daily duties include traffic management, maintaining building security and teaching lessons on drug abuse. Many times I am called to act as informal counselor who builds relationships with students to, in part, promote a positive image of law enforcement officials as protectors. The No. 1 goal for SROs is to bridge the gap between students and law enforcement.

My role as an SRO is not just serving as a door guard. It's a community-policing based approach where I am actively engaged in what's going on in the school community, like any officer should be in any community.

I spend a lot of time with the elementary school students so that their first experience with a policeman isn't a negative one. As an SRO, I can help mentor young people and provide a positive presence.

Teaching

Some of my other duties include lots of teaching and mentoring through programs like Stranger Safety (Stranger Danger), Halloween Safety, and of course DARE. The DARE program begins at the Kindergarten level and ends with 5th grade. The program starts up again in the 7th grade.



Security

I take part in lockdown scenarios throughout the year. Lockdown procedures are put in place for different threats that can occur. These procedures change from time to time and as an SRO I have to keep current on these measures.

Public Service

I also handle a lot of issues with families. I act as resource for families in crisis when Protection Orders are needed. I make sure that those orders as well as custody orders are up to date and followed. I frequently deliver food and supplies to families in need. I also help distribute weekly, food backpacks (Provided by the Optimists Club) so that some students don't go hungry over the weekend. Several civic organizations and businesses give out presents during the Christmas season each year to families in need. I help deliver those gifts. I also take part in the Shop with a Cop program. This fun program helps the children understand the spirit of giving as they get to pick out and give the gifts to their family.

Safety

Several years ago Chief Kelly Fuller instituted a safety program that closed off the entire block in front of the school so that children and parents could feel safe. This is done each day at the beginning and end of school. Frequently students go missing within the school for a variety of reasons. When this occurs teachers cannot leave their students unattended and I am called to locate them. As an SRO I am also needed for helping out when students are away from the school. I do this by escorting kids to and from the Deadwood Rec Center during the swimming block in PE. I also rode bikes 85 times with 3rd, 4th and 5th graders on the Mickelson Trail.



Black Hills Pioneer file photo: http://www.bhpioneer.com/local_news/article_bd449848-b851-11e4-a411-ef7e2a7d99dd.html

Civic Work

I am involved with several civic organizations that all work toward building a better community through promoting youth programs in our area. I also believe that coaching sports is another way to actively serve the youth in this community. I coach three sports including Wrestling, Football and Track and Field.



Law Enforcement

I also handle a lot of issues with families. I act as resource for families in crisis when Protection Orders are needed. I make sure that those orders as well as custody orders are up to date and followed. I assist with parent-teacher conferences; unfortunately there is a need for Law Enforcement during this time. Parents come to the school under the influence and it is one of my duties to make sure that Staff feels safe at all times. I get call to enforce truancy laws too. Yes, there is truancy problem at the elementary level. It is more of a parenting issue than the student. At that point I use the opportunity to help parents understand the importance of school.

Some other duties involve attending weekly meeting with several staff members to discuss at risk students. Unfortunately I am also called upon to provide assistance with escorting Students out of classrooms when they become out of control. Handling school violence (student/student or student/staff). We have also had several incidents of weapons within the school.

I also took part in a mentoring program where a High School student and an at risk elementary student partner up with the hopes they can connect and help the at risk student make good choices that would eventually change his/her behavior positively.

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2014 DEADWOOD POLICE OFFICERS OF THE YEAR



Officer Andrew Larive

Officer Larive began his career with DPD on 04/17/2013. Despite only beginning his career, Officer Larive has become a valuable member of the department. Officer Larive displays the skills, qualities and professionalism that all Deadwood Officers should aspire to obtain. This was evident during the 2014 Sturgis Rally when he utilized his skills during a felony drug investigation. The investigation resulted in a felony drug arrest and asset forfeiture.



Officer James Olson

Officer Olson started his career with DPD on 08/06/2006. Among his many accomplishments in 2014, Officer Olson applied for and received over \$20,000 in grant money from the SD Attorney General's Drug Fund. With these monies, the department was able to secure vital equipment to better investigate drug related crimes.

2014 DEADWOOD P.D. RESERVE OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Officer Matt Hardin

Reserve Officer Hardin was an important member of the Reserve Program. Officer Hardin volunteered for countless special events and provided valuable assistance in order to help the department reach our goals and fulfill our mission.

2014 STAFF

Full-Time Officers:

Chief Kelly Fuller
Lieutenant Kenneth Mertens
Sergeant Anthony Bradley
Corporal/SRO Robert Lester
Detective Alex Hamann
SRO Kip Mau
Officer James Olson
Officer John Marshall
Officer Justin Lux
Officer Andrew Larive
Officer Rich Walk
Officer Braxton McKeon

Part-Time Officers:

Officer Matthew Symonds
Officer Ken Batka
Officer Mark Heltzel
Officer Gregory Nelson
Officer Tavis Little

Reserve Police Officers:

Officer Sonya Bertalot
Officer Casey Nelson
Officer Matt Hardin
Officer Deam Corollo
Officer Sally Sprigler
Officer Doug Bechen (Ret.)

Ordinance Officers:

Officer Casey Nelson
Officer Sonya Bertalot
Officer Teresa Tomford (Part-Time)

Office Manager:

Sarah Solano

DEADWOOD

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ticket Violation Summary

3/10/2015

Tickets Issued Between: 01/01/14 and 12/31/14

<i>Code:</i>	<i>Violation:</i>	<i>Count:</i>
CitationType O		
17.68.120	Fail to Obtain Demo Permit	1
22-11-4	RESISTING ARREST	10
22-11-6	OBSTRUCTING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	16
22-13-1	DISORDERLY CONDUCT	28
22-14-7	POSSESSION OF A LOADED FIREARM WHILE INTOXICATED	1
22-18-1	SIMPLE ASSAULT	56
22-18-1.1	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	4
22-30A-17	PETTY THEFT	4
22-30A-17.	GRAND THEFT	1
22-32-1	BURGLARY 1ST DEGREE	1
22-32-8	BURGLARY 3RD DEGREE	3
22-33-1	ARSON	1
22-34-1	INTENTIONAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	8
22-35-5	Trespassing	1
22-35-6	ENTERING OR REMAINING AFTER NOTICE	22
22-40-1	FALSE PERSONATION W/INTENT TO DECEIVE LAW ENFORCEM	3
22-42-15	INGESTING ILLEGAL SUBSTANCE	3
22-42-4	POSSESSION OF A SUBSTANCE W/INTENT TO	1
22-42-5	POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE	9
22-42-6	POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA	18
22-42-7	DISTRIBUTION OF MARIJUANA (FELONY)	2
22-42A-3	POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	17
23-24-15	Fugitive From Justice	2
23A-3-2.1	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT (DOMESTIC)	2
25-10-16	VIOLATION OF PROTECTION ORDER	1
26-9-1	Contributing to Delinquency or Neglect of Minor	5
30-402	SKATEBOARDING	1
3-103	OPEN CONTAINER ON THE STREET	3
32-12-17.3	DISPLAY OR POSSESS A CANCELED OR ALTERED DRIVERS L	8
32-12-17.5	DISPLAYING ANOTHER'S IDENTIFICATION CARD	4
32-12-67	Possession of Revoked/Suspended License	7
32-12-67.	Displaying a Fictitious Drivers License	9
32-12-70	DISPLAYING ANOTHERS LICENSE	27
32-12-71	LENDING LICENSE (ID) TO ANOTHER	3
32-23-1	DUI 1ST OFFENSE	48
32-23-1A	DUI 2ND OFFENSE	11

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Code:	Violation:	Count:
32-23-1B	DUI 3RD OFFENSE	5
32-23-1C	DUI 4TH OFFENSE	1
32-23-1E	DUI 6TH OFFENSE	1
35-9-1.1	FURNISHING TO A MINOR 18-21	4
35-9-2	POSSESSION & CONSUMPTION UNDER 21 YOA	33
49-31-29.2	INTENTIONAL DISRUPTION OF 911	1
5-201	DANGEROUS DOG AT LARGE	2
5-201(A)	DOG AT LARGE 1ST	3
5-201(B)	DOG AT LARGE 2ND	1
5-201(C)	DOG AT LARGE 3RD	1
6.12.030	Feeding Wildlife Prohibited	1
9.12.040	PUBLIC INDECENCY/NUDE DANCING	1
9-12-040D	PUBLIC URINATION	4
PROBATIO	Probation/Parole/Bond/24-7 Violation	2
WARRANT	Warrant Arrest	35
Tickets Written this Period:		436

CitationType T

32-12-22	NO VALID DRIVERS LICENSE	10
32-12-65.1	DRIVING UNDER REVOCATION	2
32-12-65.2	DRIVING UNDER SUSPENSION	13
32-14-5	WRONG WAY ON A ONE WAY ST	2
32-17-4	HEADLIGHTS REQUIRED	2
32-17-8	NO TAIL LIGHTS	1
32-24-1	RECKLESS DRIVING	1
32-24-8	CARELESS DRIVING	4
32-24-9	EXHIBITION DRIVING	2
32-25-3	OVERDRIVING ROAD CONDITIONS	1
32-25-7	SPEEDING	169
32-26-13	FAILURE TO YIELD	2
32-26-37	PASSING IN NO-PASSING ZONE	1
32-26-40	FOLLOWING TOO CLOSE	1
32-26-47	Texting While Driving	1
32-26-6	ILLEGAL LANE CHANGE	2
32-27-1	PEDESTRIAN IN CROSSWALK	24
32-28-10	STOP LIGHT VIOLATION	21
32-29-2.1	STOP SIGN VIOLATION	3
32-34-3	FAILURE TO REPORT AN ACCIDENT	4
32-34-4	FAIL TO REPORT AN ACCIDENT W/UNATTENDED VEHICL	3
32-34-6	HIT & RUN PROPERTY DAMAGE	3
32-34-7	FAILURE TO REPORT AN ACCIDENT	1
32-35-113	NO FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY	14
32-37-1	CHILD RESTRAINT VIOLATION	1
32-38-1	SEAT BELT VIOLATION	11

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Code:	Violation:	Count:
32-5-103	SUBSTITUTED LICENSE PLATES	1
32-5-2.4	EXPIRED LICENSE PLATES	11
35-1-9.1	OPEN CONTAINER IN A MOTOR VEHICLE	5
35-35-8	THROWING A BURNING OBJECT FROM A M/V	1
VOID	VOID	11
Tickets Written this Period:		328
CitationType W		
W32-10-34	NO PROPER VEHICLE REGISTRATION	7
W32-12-22	NO VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE	3
W32-12-39	DL NOT IN POSSESSION	2
W32-14-5	WRONG WAY ON A ONE WAY ST	14
W32-17-4	HEADLIGHTS REQUIRED	83
W32-17-8	TAIL LIGHT VIOLATION	46
W32-17-8.	BRAKE LIGHT	5
W32-1-9.1	OPEN CONTAINER IN A M/V	2
W32-20-4.	NO EYE PROTECTION	5
W32-24-8	CARELESS DRIVING	24
W32-24-9	EXHIBITION DRIVING	3
W32-25-7	SPEEDING	197
W32-26-13	FAILURE TO YIELD UNCONTROLLED INTERSECTION	1
W32-26-18	IMPROPER TURN	3
W32-26-25	ILLEGAL U-TURN	6
W32-26-37	NO PASSING ZONE	2
W32-26-4	DRIVING ON WRONG SIDE OF ROAD	1
W32-26-40	FOLLOWING TOO CLOSE	3
W32-26-6	LANE DRIVING	19
W32-27-1	PEDESTRIAN IN CROSSWALK	1
W32-28-10	STOP LIGHT	69
W32-29-2.	STOP SIGN VIOLATION	43
W32-35-11	NO FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY	14
W32-38-1	SEAT BELT VIOLATION	2
W32-5-2.4	EXPIRED LICENSE PLATES	12
W32-5-98	NO VALID OR OBSTRUCTED PLATES	2
W34-35-8	THROWING A BURNING OBJECT FROM A M/V	1
W5.48.100	Taxi Cab Markings Violation	1
W6.12.030	Feeding Wildlife Prohibited	1
W8.16.010	Nuisances	1
WVOID	VOID	1
Tickets Written this Period:		574
Total Tickets Written this Period:		1338