

MARPLE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

The Marple Township Police Department, like most public sector entities is being asked to do more with less. Currently the police department is operating with 27 sworn officers. I am familiar with four (4) staffing formulas, copies attached, which are utilized across the country to determine the appropriate level of police staffing. In every case, utilizing these formulas the Marple Township Police Department is understaffed.

In the last 10 years our calls for service have risen 15%, while at the same time our staffing level has dropped by 13%. How then does the Marple Township Police Department continue to operate? How do we continue to answer all of the calls for service that we receive daily? How do we continue to address the many traffic complaints that we receive daily? The simple answer is that we don't. The more complex answer is that we adjust and ultimately cut services. Let me try to explain.

The first thing that happens is that we do not respond to every call like we did previously. We no longer respond to medical emergencies in nursing facilities. We no longer respond to aborted alarms to verify with a responsible party. We no longer respond to 911 hang up calls, if the dispatcher can verify by phone that everything is in order. We no longer conduct daily traffic details on our residential streets with regularity. Too many times an officer will set up a traffic detail only to be interrupted by more pressing calls and the traffic detail is not completed.

The efforts of the police department are reactive, rather than proactive. Our ability to address issues before they become problems is compromised due to the lack of personnel. Traffic citations are down 19% in 2009 and the only reason that the number is not larger is because of the amount of traffic details we conduct with grant money. The downside to this is that the details we conduct utilizing grant money are conducted on the major thoroughfares, not on our residential streets, where we would like to concentrate our efforts.

The Marple Township Police Department will continue to do all in its power to protect its citizens. Hopefully in the near future the economic climate will improve and we can get back to the 31 officers that we should have to police efficiently in Marple Township.

Thomas J. Murray Jr.
Chief of Police

MARPLE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT



ANNUAL REPORT

POLICE OPERATIONS REPORT

The Operations Division of the Police Department is comprised of both the Patrol and Detective Divisions. Currently, the patrol component is comprised of four patrol sergeants and seventeen patrol officers. The detective component is staffed by four detectives.

In 2009, the Police Department responded to 15,208 calls for service, averaging 1,267 per month. The 15,208 calls for service represents a slight decrease from 2008, in which we responded to 15,951. Ten years ago, in 1999, the police department handled 13,176 calls for service. Five years later, in 2004, officers responded to 14,188 calls for service. These numbers show increases of 15% and 7% respectively. In 1999, the patrol division was staffed by four patrol sergeants and twenty one patrol officers. In 2004, there were four sergeants and twenty patrol officers. There is no question that the police department is asked to do more year after year, even as the size of the department continues to shrink. I am proud to say that the men and women of the department continue to meet the demands placed upon them on a daily basis.

Of the 15,208 calls, there were 822 reported crimes meeting the criteria of Federal Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Part I and Part II offenses. For UCR purposes, there were 371 Part I crimes (serious offenses) and 451 Part II crimes (less serious offenses) reported in 2009. By comparison, in 2008, there were 381 Part I and 541 Part II crimes reported (922 total). Serious reported crime (Part I) decreased slightly (2%), and less serious crime (Part II) was down almost twenty percent.

Arrests for these 822 crimes totaled 486 and the number of total crimes cleared by arrest was 423. What may appear to be a discrepancy in the total arrests versus total crimes cleared is that in several cases there were multiple offenders arrested for the same reported crime. Our department's clearance rate of 51.4% is more than twice the 20% average nationally and the 21% average of northeastern states.

In 2009, all members of the department were challenged to work harder than the previous year. In reviewing the statistics in this report, their successes should be obvious. Community policing has always been our priority and this agency will continue to be in "partnership" with our citizens. Our Mission Statement reflects this philosophy and as needs change in the community, we will embrace those changes to deliver the safest and best service possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Lieutenant Frank Hannigan
Operations Commander

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CRIME TOTALS 2009

Breakdown of all crimes reported to Marple Police in 2009:

Crime	2007	2008	2009
Murder	0	1	0
Rape	2	0	2
Robbery	6	7	2
Assault	25	31	30
Burglary	47	49	26
Theft	268	279	305
Auto Theft	17	14	5
Arson	2	0	1
Part I Total	367	381	371
Forgery	1	1	4
Fraud	56	63	48
Receiving Stolen Property	2	2	2
Criminal Mischief (Vandalism)	184	167	122
Weapons Violations	1	2	2
Sex Offenses	3	6	5
Drug Laws	72	114	83
DUI	45	71	63
Underage Drinking	35	33	29
Public Drunkenness	14	10	24
Disorderly Conduct	11	25	27
Prowling at Night	1	4	2
All Other Crimes	59	43	40
Part II Total	484	541	451
Total	851	922	822

Sincerely,

Detective Lawrence Gerrity

MARPLE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT



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CRIME RATE 2009

In 2009, the Marple Township Police Department responded to 15,208 calls for service. Of these calls 822 were crimes as defined by the Federal Uniform Crime Reporting Program (UCR). For UCR purposes, there were 371 Part I (more serious) offenses, and 451 Part II (less serious) offenses reported.

Of the 822 crimes reported, 423 were cleared resulting in 486 arrests. This translates into a clearance rate of over 51%. This is well above the national Average.

	2007	2008	2009
Total Calls	14,069	14,205	15,208
Total Crimes	851	922	822
Part I	367	381	371
Part II	484	541	451
Cleared	375	418	423
Arrests	384	484	486

Sincerely,

Detective Lawrence Gerrity

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JUVENILE CRIME STATISTICS

2009 Juvenile Criminal Statistics; Marple Township Police Department.

JANUARY 2009; 11 Complaints involving juveniles, 27 juveniles handled, 6 warned, 7 cited to district court, 3 referred through other agencies, 11 referred through the Marple Twp youth Aid panel. 14 lived in Marple Twp, 13 in other areas. 8 males, 19 females.

FEBRUARY 2009; 12 Complaints involving juveniles, 23 juveniles handled, 16 warned, 1 petitioned to juvenile court, 3 cited to district court, 2 referred through other agencies, 1 referred through the Marple Twp youth aid panel. 17 lived in Marple Twp, 6 in other areas. 13 males, 10 females.

MARCH 2009; 14 Complaints involving juveniles, 25 juveniles handled, 9 warned, 2 petitioned to juvenile court, 2 cited to district court, 12 referred through the Marple Twp youth aid panel. 19 lived in Marple Twp, 6 in other areas. 22 males, 3 females.

APRIL 2009; 9 Complaints involving juveniles, 12 juveniles handled, 7 warned, 2 referred through other agencies, 3 referred through the Marple Twp youth aid panel. 9 lived in Marple Twp, 3 in other areas. 8 males, 4 females.

May 2009; 8 Complaints involving juveniles, 17 juveniles handled, 4 warned, 5 cited to district justice, 2 referred through other agencies, 6 referred through the Marple Twp youth aid panel. 9 lived in Marple Twp, 8 in other areas. 10 males, 7 females.

JUNE 2009; 15 Complaints involving juveniles, 28 juveniles handled, 16 warned, 5 petitioned to juvenile court, 4 cited to district court, 3 referred through other agencies. 14 lived in Marple Twp, 14 in other areas. 23 males, 5 females.

JULY 2009; 14 Complaints involving juveniles, 30 juveniles handled, 8 warned, 2 petitioned to juvenile court, 11 cited to district court, 9 referred through the Marple Twp youth aid panel. 20 lived in Marple Twp, 10 in other areas. 23 males, 7 females.

AUGUST 2009; 8 Complaints involving juveniles, 13 juveniles handled, 4 warned, 1 cited to district court, 1 referred through another agency, 7 referred through the Marple Twp youth aid panel. 11 lived in Marple Twp, 2 in other areas. 8 males, 5 females.

SEPTEMBER 2009; 11 Complaints involving juveniles, 24 juveniles handled, 5 warned, 11 cited to district court, 1 referred through another agency, 7 referred through the Marple Twp youth aid panel. 17 lived in Marple Twp, 7 in other areas. 21 males, 3 females.

OCTOBER 2009; 16 Complaints involving juveniles, 22 juveniles handled, 12 warnings, 4 petitioned to juvenile

court, 4 cited to district court, 2 referred through the Marple Twp youth aid panel. 16 lived in Marple Twp, 6 in other areas. 17 males, 5 females.

NOVEMBER 2009; 5 Complaints involving juveniles, 5 juveniles handled, 4 warned, 1 referred through the Marple Twp youth aid panel. 3 lived in Marple Twp, 2 in other areas. 4 males, 1 female.

DECEMBER 2009; 4 Complaints involving juveniles, 4 juveniles handled, 2 warned, 1 petitioned to juvenile court, 1 cited to district justice. 3 lived in Marple Twp, 1 in another area. 1 male, 3 females.

2009 Total complaints involving juveniles - 127.

2009 Total number of juveniles handled - 230.

2009 Total number of juveniles warned - 93.

2009 Total number of juvenile petitioned to juvenile court - 15.

2009 Total number of juveniles cited to district court - 49.

2009 Total number of juveniles referred through other agencies - 14.

2009 Total number of juveniles referred through the Marple Twp Youth Aid Panel - 59.

Juvenile contact by gender:

Males involved - 156 or 67.82%.

females involved - 74 or 32.18%.

Juvenile contact by residence:

Living in Marple Twp - 152 or 66.09%.

Living in other areas - 78 or 33.91%.

Again I checked our curfew hour contacts with juveniles. In 2009 there were a total of 12 which is only 5.21% of all contacts.

In review, the total number of juveniles contacted in 2009 was 230 which is again a decline of the numbers that we used to have. This is not from lack of effort on the part of our officers but a direct correlation to the lack of manpower that we continue to work with.

Respectfully submitted,

Detective Barry Williams

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TRAFFIC SAFETY

2009 Crash Statistics

<u>Year</u>	<u>Reportable Crashes</u>	<u>Non-Reportable Crashes</u>	<u>Totals</u>
2005	191	633	824
2006	183	648	831
2007	156	645	801
2008	150	725	875
2009	140	662	802

As the statistics above show, Marple Township was the location of 140 Reportable Crashes in 2009. A Reportable Crash is defined as an unintended highway accident that results in death and/or injury and/or the towing of one or more vehicles as a result of crash damage. This is the most serious category of crash. Non-Reportable Crashes are highway accidents that result in damage to vehicles or property. However, this damage to vehicles is not sufficient to require towing. In 2009, there were 662 such Non-Reportable Crashes in Marple Township. There should be an asterisk placed by the Non-Reportable Crash statistic for each year. The actual number of Non-Reportable Crashes is higher than the 662 figure. There are a variety of reasons for this. Many minor crashes are never reported to police. Other minor crashes may end up being classified as something else. For instance, on a fairly regular basis, the Police Department receives a 911 dispatch to the scene of a crash. The officer arrives at the location and finds that the cars are gone. Apparently, the drivers did not wish to involve police and/or insurance carriers. They drove away prior to police arrival. At a later date, one of the involved drivers will call police and report the accident over the phone. Since there is no on-scene police investigation, the incident is carried as "police information" and not another Non-Reportable Crash statistic. There are other circumstances when a Non-Reportable Crash may end up being classified as police information. It is a guess on my part, but I think that the actual number of Non-Reportable Crashes may be 20%, or more, higher than reported in the statistics above.

Over the last 5 years, the statistical trend shows a decline in the number of Reportable Crashes in Marple Township. There were no fatal crashes here last year. Obviously, these are two good trends. What the statistics don't show is an apparent increase in the average number of vehicles involved in each Reportable Crash. This equates to an increase in the average number of people involved and possibly injured in each Reportable Crash. The number of involved units and people appear to be going up for Reportable Crashes in our Township.

Marple Township and the rest of suburban Philadelphia is experiencing the same problem, too many cars and too few roads. The population of Marple Township has increased 5 fold since 1950. The carrying capacity of our local roads has not come close to that exponential increase. It is the same problem or worse throughout the area. As a consequence, rush hour traffic has become rush hours traffic. Throughout this Township, motorists in a hurry drive too fast, too often. Increasingly this is occurs on residential streets. Local residents complained and looked to the Police Department for help. In 2007, the Police Department addressed this quality of life issue for our residents by creating the Traffic Control Unit. The T.C.U. was comprised of officers from the Patrol Division

who volunteered to work traffic. These officers were assigned to traffic details conducted in known problem areas. The T.C.U. was able to help calm some traffic problem areas through repeat enforcement efforts. The Traffic Control Unit appeared to be making a positive difference. Traffic enforcement was up, violations in problem areas were down. A drop in both Reportable and Non-Reportable Crashes followed. Then, we lost officers through retirement. These officers were not replaced with new hires. This critical manpower shortage forced us to close the Traffic Control Unit. (Earlier, the lack of manpower had forced us to close our Directed Patrol Unit, which had been successful in fighting illegal drugs in our community.) The manpower shortage in the Police Department forced the closing of a unit that had helped reduce crashes throughout the Township. After the T.C.U. closed, the number of Crashes went up. Traffic enforcement went down. There were 2,747 traffic citations issued in 2008. In 2009, that number was down by 512. A total of 2,235 traffic citations were issued last year.

Manpower is key to our ability to conduct traffic enforcement efforts throughout Marple Township. We no longer have sufficient manpower to properly address problem traffic areas in the Township. Proper levels of traffic enforcement will eventually equate to a drop in crashes reported. The only way we can make a meaningful and positive impact on traffic safety in this Township is to have sufficient manpower to enforce the traffic laws of the Commonwealth on our streets.

Respectfully submitted,

Lieutenant Matthew Richter

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DELAWARE COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

Marple Township Police Department

OFF Edward Rosen
OFF Sean Hannigan

2009 Annual Report



Office of the Delaware County District Attorney

Municipal Drug Task Force

The District Attorney's Office directs the Delaware County Municipal Drug Task Force. This is the largest investigative unit in the county dedicated solely to drug enforcement concerns. In 1997, with the assistance of funding secured from the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office, personnel of the Task Force was increased to 11 law enforcement officers, including Criminal Investigation Detectives and Municipal Police Officers.

In addition to conducting its own investigations, the Task Force also serves as a central source of drug intelligence and coordinates and conducts investigations with state and federal authorities. In 2008 the size of the Drug Task Force increased to 18 officers from various jurisdictions in Delaware County.

Statistics for 2009

Asset Forfeiture / Controlled Substances Forfeitures Act 42 Pa. C.S. 6801

As a result of the many drug investigations conducted by this department, assets consisting of cash, valuables, and vehicles were seized. A review of the evidence room records indicated that in 2009 Marple Township seized **\$61,286.00** in United States Currency. Additionally 11 vehicles were seized awaiting forfeiture proceedings as well as various cellular telephones and other items.

During the course of these investigations, through under-cover purchases, execution of search warrants, and other forms of interdiction several handguns and shotguns were seized. Five (5) 9mm handguns, one (1) .38 cal revolver, one (1) .40 cal handgun and a sawed off shotgun were seized and placed in evidence.

Marple Township continues to benefit from the Asset Forfeiture Act. The Forfeiture Act allows three categories of uses for forfeited property (42 Pa. C.S.A. SS 6801(h):

1. Enforcing the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device & Cosmetic Act;
2. Utilized for community-based drug and crime fighting programs;
3. For relocating and protecting witnesses in criminal cases.

The Delaware County District Attorney has local and county jurisdiction. The United States Currency seized by this Department (**\$61,286.00**) should be split by the County of Delaware and Marple Township. (42 Pa. C.S.A. 6801(g)).

The 11 vehicles seized as a result of these investigations have also been transferred to the County Impound Yard awaiting forfeiture proceedings. Seized vehicles are disposed of accordingly and any proceeds are divided between Marple Township and Delaware County.

Statistics are sent quarterly to the Delaware County District Attorney, and the DA's office reimburses Marple for all overtime expenses. I have attached the charts below which details the reimbursements, and hours per incident. All Overtime is reimbursed, including money used from the confidential fund used in under cover, and controlled buys of narcotics.

During 1st Quarter of 2009, the three Marple Police members of the Delaware County Drug Task Force conducted investigations into illegal drug activity. As a result of these investigations, Marple Township paid out **\$12,232.97** in Overtime expenses. The attached overtime slips are the **261.5 hours** spent by the Marple Township Police members of the DELCO Drug Task Force. Marple Township also used **\$2,940.00** in USC from our confidential fund as buy money totaling **\$15,172.97**. We respectfully request reimbursement for the overtime expenses and the money used for controlled an under cover buys.

I have attached a statistical reporting sheet that reflects the statistics that apply to the Marple Township Incidents. Some of the incidents mentioned below were our officers assisting other jurisdictions including, Upper Darby Township, Springfield Township, Collingdale Borough, Haverford Township, Glen Mills, PA State Police, Clifton Heights, and Chester City. The following list incorporates the overtime spent for each investigation, which incurred overtime listed by Marple Police Incident number. Our overtime rate in 2009 is **\$46.78** per hour.

Incident Number	Hours	OT Paid
0900102508	18.5	856.43
0900082775	4.5	210.51
0812013828	58	2713.24
0900015497	10	467.80
0900071451	21	982.38
0900071451	11	514.58
0900015497	12	561.36
0900065028	10	467.80
0900023892	8	374.24
0900037946	8	374.24
0812013623	7.5	350.85
0900036852	6	280.68
0812013371	6	280.68
0812013068	7	327.46
0900024634	45.5	2128.49
080100098	9.5	444.41
0810011913	4	187.12
0812013652	6	280.68
0810010963	2	93.56
0812013828	7	327.46
TOTAL	261.5	12,232.97

During 2nd Quarter of 2009, the three Marple Police members of the Delaware County Drug Task Force conducted investigations into illegal drug activity. As a result of these investigations, Marple Township paid out **\$10,314.99** in Overtime expenses. The attached overtime slips are the **220.5 hours** spent by the Marple Township Police members of the DELCO Drug Task Force. Marple Township also used **\$3,020.00** in USC from our confidential fund as buy money totaling **\$13,334.99**. We respectfully request reimbursement for the overtime expenses and the money used for controlled an under cover buys.

I have attached a statistical reporting sheet that reflects the statistics that apply to the Marple Township Incidents. Some of the incidents mentioned below were our officers assisting other jurisdictions including, Upper Darby Township, Parkside Boro, Chester Township, Ridley Township, Media Boro, Haverford Township, and Chester City. The following list incorporates the overtime spent for each investigation, which incurred overtime listed by Marple Police Incident number. Our overtime rate in 2009 is **\$46.79** per hour.

Incident #	Suspect	Hours									Total
0900082775		2									2
0900139217		2.5	4								6.5
0900221087		8									8
0900022422		5.5									5.5
0900173570		5		4	7	5	9	3.5	3.5	10	47
0803002876		2	4								6
0900165414		3	2								5
0900126344		4.5	6.5	4							15
0900177023		3									3
0900164251		5	3	2	3	5					18
0900023892		4	3.5	3	1	2	2	6			21.5
0900158366		2									2
0900144178		2.5	2.5	7	15	2.5	6.5				36
0900065028		4	4.5								8.5
0900065028		4									4
0900071451		6									6
0900015497		8.5									8.5
0900087620		7	7								14
0812013828		4									4
TOTAL											220.5

During 3rd Quarter of 2009, the three Marple Police members of the Delaware County Drug Task Force conducted investigations into illegal drug activity. As a result of these investigations, Marple Township paid out **\$13,241.57** in Overtime expenses. The attached overtime slips are the **283 hours** spent by the Marple Township Police members of the DELCO Drug Task Force. Marple Township also used **\$5,090.00** in USC from our confidential fund as buy money totaling **\$18,331.57**. We respectfully request reimbursement for the overtime expenses and the money used for controlled an under cover buys. (Of the **\$5,090.00** used from the confidential fund, **\$1,590** was used in an investigation which is funded by HIDTA ,Inc# 0900293330).

I have attached a statistical reporting sheet that reflects the statistics that apply to the Marple Township Incidents. Some of the incidents mentioned below were our officers assisting other jurisdictions including, Upper Darby Township, Chester Township, Ridley Township, Springfield, Collingdale, Haverford Township, and Chester City. The following list incorporates the overtime spent for each investigation, which incurred overtime listed by Marple Police Incident number. Our overtime rate in 2009 is **\$46.79** per hour.

Incident #	Suspect	Hours								Total
0900224209		2	4.5	8						14.5
0900231323		8	4.5	1.5	6	14				34
0900165414		4.5	3							7.5
0900223465		13.5								13.5
0900271646		7	8	3	5	6.5	8	4		41.5
0900282877		8	8	5	2					23
0900221280		13								13
0900282569		5	4	3.5	6.5	5.5	4	4.5		33
0900291221		3	4	3	6					16
0900293330		5.5	13	5						23.5

0900330367		5									5
0900333009		7									7
0811013068		7	7								14
0900015497		2									2
0900082778		4									4
0900302047		6	5	6.5	3						20.5
0900023892		11									11
TOTAL										Total	283

During 4th Quarter of 2009, the three Marple Police members of the Delaware County Drug Task Force conducted investigations into illegal drug activity. As a result of these investigations, Marple Township paid out **\$9,170.84** in Overtime expenses. The attached overtime slips are the **196 hours** spent by the Marple Township Police members of the DELCO Drug Task Force. Marple Township also used **\$1,631.00** in USC from our confidential fund as buy money totaling **\$10,801.84**. We respectfully request reimbursement for the overtime expenses and the money used for controlled an under cover buys.

I have attached a statistical reporting sheet that reflects the statistics that apply to the Marple Township Incidents. Some of the incidents mentioned below were our officers assisting other jurisdictions including, Upper Darby Township, Chester Township, Ridley Township, Springfield, Collingdale, Haverford Township, and Chester City. The following list incorporates the overtime spent for each investigation, which incurred overtime listed by Marple Police Incident number. Our overtime rate in 2009 is **\$46.79** per hour.

Incident #	Suspect	Hours									Total
0900371630		1	2	4.5	5.5						13
0900371152		6.5	2	2	4	4	3				21.5
0900424234		4	2.5	5.5	2.5	1					15.5
0900282569		4									4
0900302047											
0900469379		3	2								5
0900476223											
0900433745		4	2.5								6.5
1000004412		3									3
0900380248											
0900414110		3	2	0.5	3	3					11.5
0900484502		5									5
0900394267		6									6
0900372248		4	3.5	4	4	5	4				24.5
0900293330		2	4	3	7	5	5	6	6		38
0900371152		4									4
0900024634		3	4	4							11
0900484877		4									4
0801000098		11									11
0900426064		3									3
0810011224		4	5.5								9.5
TOTAL											196

**OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION
NARCOTICS OTHER POLICE DEPARTMENTS**

STATISTICAL REPORTING INFORMATION

YEAR: 2009

MONTH: 4 Quarters

OFFICER: Edward Rosen
#047

DATE	DRUG	GRAMS			SEIZED: MONEY	VALUE OF: VEHICLE	SEIZED: WEAPON	TYPE OF INCIDENT: SW-BUY	ARREST
2/11/2009	Cocaine	32	M	B	\$1,640.00	3,000.00		SW	ARREST
2/11/2009	Cocaine	6	M	B	\$229.00		Ruger 9mm	SW	ARREST
3/20/2009	Percocet/Cocaine	20 pills, sml amt	M	B	\$13,068.00	20,000.00		SW	ARREST
3/20/2009	Cocaine	32	M	W				SW	ARREST
3/20/2009	Cocaine	32 co-def	F	W				SW	ARREST
3/12/2009	Percocet	29 pills	F	B				BUY	Pending INV
3/3/2009	Cocaine/Marijuana	40 grams/1 ounce	M	A	\$1,973.00	15,000.00	.38 rev	SW	ARREST
1/26/2009	Cocaine	7.5	M	B				BUY	Pending INV
2/20/2009	Oxycontin	40 80mg pills	M	W	\$53.00	10,000.00		Buy	ARREST
1/30/2009	Cocaine	904 grams	M	B	\$6,415.00		.40 cal	SW	ARREST
1/29/2009	Cocaine	18 grams	M	A	\$315.00			SW	ARREST
12/10/2008	Marijuana	56 grams	M	W	\$480.00			SW	ARREST
12/1/2008	Marijuana / Meth	2267 / 46	M	W	\$32,451.00	15,000.00	.9 mm	SW	ARREST
1/22/2009	percocet	35 pills	M	B				Buy	ARREST
3/4/2009	Cocaine	3.5	M	B				BUY	Pending INV
3/6/2009	Heroin	13 bags	M	H				Buy	Pending INV
3/9/2009	Cocaine	12 grams	M	H				SW	ARREST
4/3/2009	Cocaine	12 grams	M	H	\$1,640.00	4,000.00		SW	ARREST
4/4/2009	Vicodin/Crack	92 pills/3 gabs	M	W				SW	ARREST
4/3/2009	percocets/cocaine	15 pills/14 grams	M	W				Buy	ARREST
4/9/2009	Cocaine	7 grams	M	B				Buy	ARREST
4/17/2009	Cocaine	36 grams	M	W	\$2,000.00		9mm	SW	ARREST
4/21/2009	Cocaine	10.5 grams	M	W					Pending INV
4/23/2009	Marijuana	12 grams	M	B					Pending INV
4/29/2009	Cocaine	18 graqms	M	B			Shotgun	SW	ARREST
5/1/2009	Steroids	30 kts	M	W	\$745.00			Buy	ARREST
5/6/2009	Marijuana	14 grams	M	W	\$377.00			SW	ARREST
5/6/2009	Cocaine	10.5 grams	M	W					Pending INV
5/12/2009	Cocaine	44 grams	M	B		5,000.00	9mm	SW	ARREST
5/14/2009	Ecstasy	3 pills	M	W				Buy	Pending INV
5/27/2009	Cocaine	18 grams	M	W	\$500.00			SW	ARREST
6/16/2009	Crack Cocaine	54 bags	M	B				BUY	ARREST
6/17/2009	Marijuana	32 grams	M	W				SW	ARREST
6/23/2009	Cocaine	7 grams	M	B				Buy	Pending INV
6/24/2009	Marijuana	45 grams	M	W	?			SW	ARREST
6/29/2009	Cocaine	14 grams	B	M		25,000.00		Buy	ARREST
6/27/2009	Marijuana	145 grams	W	F		2,000.00		SW	ARREST
7/3/2009	Crack Cocaine	4 grams	M	B				BUY	ARREST
7/3/2009	Crack Cocaine	4 grams	M	B				BUY	ARREST
7/2/2009	Cocaine	35 grams	M	B	\$340.00	3,500.00	933 Taurus	BUY	ARREST
7/2/2009	Cocaine	14 grams	M	B		18,000.00		BUY	ARREST
8/5/2009	Cocaine	23 grams	M	W		12,000.00		BUY	ARREST

7/7/2009	Cocaine	23 grams	M	B			BUY	Pending
7/9/2009	Cocaine	7 grams	M	W			BUY	Pending
7/10/2009	Marijuana	6 grams	M	B			BUY	Pending
7/24/2009	Cocaine	8 grams	M	B			BUY	ARREST
9/29/2009	Cocaine	28 grams	M	B		12,000.00	Buy	ARREST
7/29/2009	Cocaine	9 grams	M	W			SW-BUY	Pending
8/4/2009	Cocaine	6 grams	M	B			SW	Warrant
8/5/2009	Cocaine	98 grams	M	W			Buy	Pending
7/6/2009	Cocaine	4.5 grams	M	W			SW	Arrest
8/5/2009	Marijuana	6 grams	M	W			SW	ARREST
10/3/2009	Crack Cocaine	5 grams	M	B			Buy	Arrest
9/4/2009	Cocaine	3.5 grams	M	B			Buy	Pending
10/22/2009	Crack Cocaine	4 grams	M	B			Buy	Pending
10/2/2009	Marijuana	4 grams	M	W			SW	Arrest
10/9/2009	Crack Cocaine	6 grams	M	B			Buy	Pending
10/13/2009	Marijuana/Xanax	1 ounce/10 pills	M	W			SW	Arrest
10/23/2009	Tommy's Tavern Buys	50 Clonipins/30 ecstasy						ARREST
11/11/2009	percocet 30	10 pills	M	W			Buy	Pending
11/7/2009	Oxycontin	5 pills	M	W			Buy	Pending
10/1/2009	Crack Cocaine	5.5 grams	M	B			Buy	Arrest
12/21/2009	Cocaine	6 grams	M	B			Buy	Pending
12/20/2009	Marijuana	6 ounces	F	W			SW	Arrest
12/20/2009	Marijuana	6 ounces	F	W			SW	Arrest
11/17/2009	Marijuana	1 1/2 ounces	M	W	\$700.00	380 semi auto	SW	Arrest
1/2/2010	Cocaine	3 grams	M	H			Buy	Pending
10/8/2009	Cocaine/Heroin	3.2 grams / 2 bags	M	W		2,000.00	SW	ARREST
12/10/2009	Cocaine	1 ounce	M	B			Buy	Arrest
12/21/2009	Crack Cocaine	4 grams	M	B			Buy	Pending
12/20/2009	Cocaine	2 ounces	M	W			Buy	Pending

Seizures / Street Values for 2009

Seizures increased over the past year, as our informant database increased. With the ongoing use of local informants and from other jurisdictions, our informant file is increasing, and the reliability of certain informants develops. As a result of under cover operations, controlled buys, unwitting buys, and other narcotic operations, the chart below reflect the seizure statistics. I have provided the weights in grams and used the Department of Justices Regional Price and Purity Guide to estimate street values.

Drug	Weight	Price per gram	Street value
Cocaine	1,596.2 grams	\$50 - \$100	\$79,810 - \$159,620
Marijuana	2,803 grams	\$10 - \$50	\$28,030 - \$140,150
Heroin	18 bags (Dose)	\$10 -\$20	\$180 - \$360
Crack Cocaine	35.5 grams	\$50 - \$100	\$1,775 - \$3,550
Steroids	30 kits 5 doses per	\$25 – \$50 a dose	\$3,750 - \$7,500
Oxycontin 80 mgs	45 pills	\$30 - \$50	\$1,350 - \$2,250
Percocet 30	9 pills (30 mg)	\$25 - \$40	\$225 - \$360
Percocet	35 pills (10 mg)	\$5 - \$10	\$175 - \$350
Xanax	32 pills (2 mg)	\$3 - \$5	\$96 - \$160
MDMA (ecstasy)	33 pills	\$35 - \$55	\$1,155 - \$1,815
Methamphetamine	46 grams	\$250 - \$350	\$11,500 - \$16,100
Human Growth Horm	50 vials 5 doses per	\$25 - \$50	\$6,250 – \$12,500
Clonopin	50 pills	\$3 - \$5	\$150 - \$250
Vicodin	93 pills	\$2 - \$5	\$186 - \$465

- The Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Program of the U.S. Department of Justice publishes a Regional Price and Purity Report yearly and the above chart reflects those street prices.

The above seizures were the result of Under Cover purchases, or seizures as a result of the execution of Search Warrants. All Drug Task Force arrests are filed through Judge Lippincott's Court in Upper Providence and prosecuted by the assigned Assistant District Attorney from the Task Force Unit.

Narcotics Training 2009

In March of 2009, Officer Rosen and Hannigan attended the annual Pennsylvania Narcotic Officer's Association 20th Annual Training Conference in Harrisburg. The training covered many areas of under cover and narcotic investigations:

1. Undercover Operations and Tactical Responses
2. Criminal Street Gangs and The Prison Connection
3. Law Enforcement Flying Armed
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In addition to the excellent materials and training from this conference, it is instrumental in making contacts with other jurisdictions, and exchanging information on active narcotic investigations. We have made countless contacts of other Law Enforcement Agencies through this conference.



In October of 2009 Officer Rosen and Hannigan also attended the 19th Annual Narcotic Investigators Information Sharing Conference given by MAGLOCLN. This conference provided training in:

- Highway Drug Interdiction
- Officer Safety
- Critical Incident
- Narcotic Enforcement and Gangs
- Undercover Operations

Additionally this conference provides us with updates on resources provided by MAGLOCLN to assist in our investigations.

In November of 2009 Officer Rosen attended a Basic Indoor Marijuana Grow Investigations class sponsored by PECO and instructed by L. Kjemhus of the Canadian Royal Mounted Police which provided instruction on investigating Indoor marijuana grows and the problems caused by these operations.

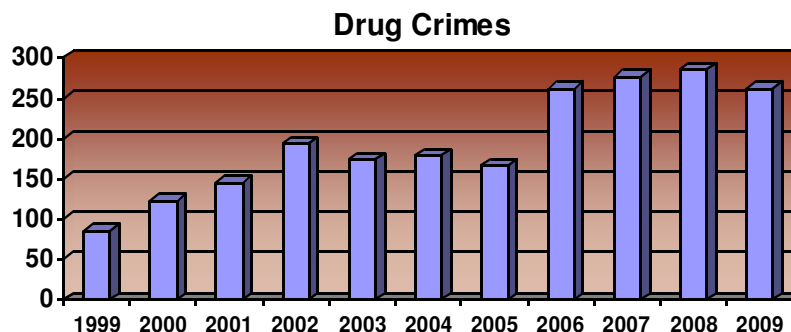
In December of 2009 Officer Rosen attended a 1 week school for “A” Certification for electronic and Wire Tap surveillance and was successfully certified in the interception of electronic and Wire communications at the Pennsylvania State Police Academy in Hershey.



UCR

We continue to monitor the Data which has been taken from our ALERT system listing all drug crimes, and all crimes which indicated drugs as a factor. Some incidents reflect a different UCR such as some DUI offenses where drugs were recovered or a factor in the

prosecution, and many thefts where suspects indicated they were financing a drug problem. The report shows an alarming increase in drug and drug related crimes/incident. In 1998 there were 91 drug/drug related crimes reported. In 2009 there were 256 drug/drug related crimes reported. The rise in drug/drug related crimes is clear, but the nature of drug/drug related crimes will not cause citizen complaints as average citizens don't generally associate drug crimes from other crimes. The chart below indicates our findings:



Narcotics crimes pose a unique problem for smaller police departments. It is commonly taught that narcotics investigators operate differently than traditional police (uniform and detectives) as narcotic violations are not usually reported by ordinary citizens due to the nature of the crime. We are still challenged with the need to multi-task while investigating narcotics crimes, and perform our other police responsibilities. The DPU unit was an excellent tool in bridging the gap between these different but essential responsibilities. With the department being shorthanded, the DPU unit was suspended so that the police department could continue the services to the citizens. We hope that the Township will see the need to staff the police department so that we can continue to ensure these narcotics crimes and related crimes do not continue to threaten this community.

Respectfully submitted,

Officer Edward Rosen

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POLICE TRAINING

Training subject matter is as diverse as the duties a police officer is called upon to do. Despite the gradual decline in the total number of officers, the expectations placed upon the department as a whole continue to rise. Nevertheless, as those same officers continue to display on a daily basis, our residents can rest assured that their calls for help and service continued to be handled in 2009 with the same unparalleled knowledge and professionalism to which they have become accustomed.

In addition to the sixteen ACT 180 hours, roughly twelve hours of firearms qualifications, and the four hours of CPR/First Aid refresher each officer is required to complete annually in order to maintain his/her certification, there were several other classes attended which are considered mandatory if that officer wishes to remain certified in a specific duty. These classes are held at various locations throughout the county, state, and/or region and may run anywhere from a few hours to several days or longer:

- * Emergency Medical Technician continuing education credits - Three officers
- * Fire investigators - Two officers at a week long conference in State College

Other trainings encompassed topics which are considered essential by the officer if he/she wishes to remain up to speed with the changes in case law, technology, etc. that pertain to his/her auxiliary assignment(s):

- * Motor vehicle crash reconstruction - One officer - Montgomery County Fire Academy
- * Philadelphia Regional Motorcycle Gang Investigations - One officer - Lionville, PA
- * Narcotics investigation conference sponsored by MAGLOCLLEN - two officers - Ocean City, MD
- * Basic indoor marijuana grow investigation - one officer - Doylestown, PA

To supplement their mandatory six hour block of training each month with other members of the Central Delco team, ERT/SWAT team members attended additional schooling to hone their skills. These skills are applicable not only to the "critical incident", which is more likely to appear on the evening news, but during the course of the officer(s) handling of the lesser known, albeit much more frequent, calls for service as a Marple Township police officer:

- * Post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) seminar - Three officers in their capacities as trained hostage negotiators - Norristown, PA
- * Police intervention specialist - One officer (hostage negotiator) - Norristown, PA
- * Close Quarter Combat (CQB) handgun training - One officer - four days in Downingtown, PA
- * FBI SWAT school - One officer - two weeks at Ft Dix, NJ
- * SWAT officer survival conference - One officer - two days in Pittsgrove, NJ

The department will benefit from seeing two more officers attend a rigorous one-week course to become certified firearms instructors. This allows the department to be self-sustaining insofar as the required firearms certifications are concerned. One of these officers also took the time to become a certified armorer. This allows

the officer to conduct maintenance and repairs on departments firearms.

Our detectives took part in a number of schools to enhance their abilities to investigate crimes and assist victims:

- * Computer forensics
- * Technology facilitated crimes
- * Financial crimes investigations
- * Internet safety for law enforcement

The department added to it's ranks by one the number of officers able to conduct talks and presentations to citizen/business groups of all kinds. That officer attended a week long Crime Prevention Practitioner's Course held at DCCC. Four officers were present at the annual Domestic Abuse Project (DAP) seminar and obtained useful information to help with the recognition and investigation of domestic violence incidents. Four more officers became certified Standard Field Sobriety (SFST) Practitioners which help in the arrest and successful prosecution of DUI offenders.

The advent of terrorism, both domestic and global, has placed more focus on the types and frequency of training officers must undergo. Over a dozen officers sat in on a case study presentation of the attacks at Virginia Tech and Mumbai, India, while two officers attended a terrorism training seminar strictly for law enforcement personnel.

Finally, it is apparent that the law enforcement profession is an anomaly as far as education and training are concerned. Never will any one officer know everything there is to know about his craft, even if he spends a lifetime trying. However, with the genuine mix of desire to learn, eagerness to improve oneself, dedication to teamwork, and commitment to community, the men and women of the Marple Township Police Department stand ready to tackle whatever challenges will be faced by those we serve.

Respectfully submitted,

Sergeant Brandon Graeff

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FIREARMS REPORT

In 2009 all officers in the Marple Township Police Department successfully qualified with their duty issued handguns. Annual firearms qualifications are mandatory under ACT 180 and serve as a tool to assess individual officers accuracy. Qualification standards are set forth by the Municipal Police Officers Training and Education Commission (MPOETC) under ACT 180. Records are kept of each officers qualification scores and maintained in the armory. I am pleased to say that all of our officers displayed a level of weapon proficiency that far exceeds the minimum standards set forth by M.P.O.E.T.C.

M.P.O.E.T.C requires officers to qualify annually with firearms but most of our officers qualify bi-annually. This has been past practice for quite some time now. Annual firearms qualifications for all Marple Police Officers requires qualifying with a minimum score of 226 out of a possible 300. While at the range firearms instructors are also assessing officers on safe weapon handling. To date there has not been one negligent firearms related accident at the Marple Police Firing Range. The results speak for themselves and is a testament to the professionalism of the officers in this agency.

All Marple Officers are issued the Glock model 22, .40 caliber handgun. Detectives and police administrators are issued the shorter Glock model 27, .40 caliber handgun. In addition to issued handguns all Marple patrol vehicles are also equipped with the following weapons: Remington model 870, 12 gauge pump shotgun; and the Heckler & Koch model UMP, .40 caliber sub-machine gun. One additional weapon added to the Marple Police Armory is the Rock River M4 Military Style 5.56 mm Rifle. The rifle is currently dedicated to tactical operators assigned to the Central DelCo Tactical Response Team. All officers have been trained to utilize these weapons and are also required to qualify annually on each.

In 2009 there was an additional 2 hours of training time added to Spring Firearms Qualifications. The additional time allowed department firearms instructors to go back to the basics. Officers reviewed the basic fundamentals of marksmanship. Emphasis was placed on the basic marksmanship skills all officers were taught back in the Police Academy. In addition, weapon malfunction training was conducted. Instructors ran repetitions of malfunction drills where officers were trained to react to a weapon malfunction.

In 2010 the firearms program will see a continuation of extra training. Plans for a combat course have been implemented for Spring 2010. The goal with this type of training is twofold: 1) To train on specific firearms related skill sets; and 2) Get officers more trigger time. This type of training is invaluable, and may very well save an officers life.

We added two certified instructors to our Firearms Program in 2009. Officers Edward Rosen and Jeff Haughey both successfully completed the NRA Firearms Instructor Program. Both officers are now certified to conduct firearms training and Qualifications. Rosen and Haughey are highly qualified veteran officers who will be valuable assets to our firearms training.

An issue affecting our firearms program has been ammunition procurement. Each year since military operations began in Afghanistan and Iraq ammunition procurement for police agencies has become difficult. Ammunition manufacturers are producing large volumes of ammunition for the war effort. With ammunition emphasis placed on military operations police agencies are seeing longer waiting periods for ammunition orders. At the current time we are waiting 6-8 months for ammunition orders. Compounding this problem is the increased cost for ammunition. Costs for metals in ammo production have gone up substantially in recent years and is a direct correlation to the increased cost of ammo. Soaring metal costs and ammo demand have driven up ammo costs dramatically. Consideration will have to be given to future budget allotments for ammunition.

On a final note, I feel that all of our officers are well equipped and trained to respond to a deadly force situation. This is an unfortunate reality of our chosen profession and is the reason for which we place such importance on firearms training.

Respectfully submitted,

Officer Chris Chermak

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TACTICAL TEAM

The Central DelCo Tactical Response Team is a specialized team which comprises officers from several county police agencies as well as Delaware County CID Detectives and Crozer-Chester Medical Center Paramedics. Members of this Unit are required to attend monthly training sessions along with an annual physical fitness evaluation and obstacle course.

Marple Township provides officers to both the Tactical side of the team as well as Negotiations. The current Marple Twp. Police “Operators” on the team are Sgt. Michael Johnson, Ofc. Chris Chermak, Ofc. Andrew Ronsvalle and Ofc. Katie Connolly. The current Marple Twp. Police Negotiators are Sgt. Tony Colgan, Det. Barry Williams and Ofc. Chris Barmes.

Training is conducted regardless of weather conditions since emergency responses are not weather dependant. Injury risks during both training and actual situations are minimized through the constant oversight of the TEMS(Tactical Emergency Medic Service/ Paramedics) Unit. There were 24 training exercises during the course of the year which included extensive firearms training/ certification, building entries and clearing and woodland/open air operations. The Delaware County Emergency Services Training Center acquired a “Shoothouse” through a Grant program. This “shoothouse” is designed to represent a two-story house/apartment and allows departments to train using actual live gunfire scenarios.

The team responded to five call outs during 2009. On April 13th the team responded to a barricaded suicidal subject in a vehicle in the main parking lot of Rose Tree Park. The subject was eventually taken into custody without incident. On May 25th an armed and suicidal subject fired shots at arriving police but surrendered prior to the arrival of the response team. On October 13th the team responded to Aston Twp. to serve a high risk warrant. The subject was taken into custody without incident. On December 4th the team responded here in Marple to serve a high risk warrant on a subject for Darby Police. The subject was not on location. And on December 6th the team responded back to Aston Twp. for an armed and barricaded suicidal subject. The male subject was taken into custody after a 5-1/2 hour standoff.

Every year provides opportunities for hands-on training with new and improved equipment, and 2009 was no exception.. The focus of training changes constantly to meet the current trends of society and the ever-changing threats to its citizens. We also had the need to work with various agencies during different emergency incidents. The most important fact to take note of is that all of these potentially violent incidents ended with minimal, if any, police injury.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sergeant Michael T. Johnson

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VEHICLES

The vehicles listed below represent the current Marple Township Police Department inventory for all motorized units. Each unit's mileage is displayed, as well as the miles driven in 2009. The Department's vehicles were driven a total of 250,565 miles in 2009. This figure excludes the miles that were driven in unit 75-7 from January through August of 2009. Unit 75-7 was involved in a significant crash in August. It was totaled by the Township's insurance carrier and not replaced.

The Police Department was not permitted to purchase any new police units in 2009. Making matters worse, unit 75-7 was totaled out. Now, the Police Department has been told that it may not purchase any new police units in 2010. This has created a potentially very serious problem. Look at the mileage on our the units listed above. Imagine just one year from now, what the 2010 Annual Vehicle Report may look like with another 250,000 plus miles added to our mileage figures. This additional annual mileage will disproportionately hit our front line Patrol Division vehicles. Additionally, bear in mind that the auto industry considers that some vehicles receive "harder" miles than other. Police cars fall into a use category considered to have some of the hardest miles in terms of wear and tear to a vehicle. For purposes of calculating a vehicle's value in terms of it's future use, mileage figures in some instances are multiplied by a factor that represents the additional wear and tear that a vehicle may receive based on it's use category. In years past, some police/ auto industry sources would calculate the enhanced wear and tear on a police vehicle by multiplying it's mileage by a factor of 1.63 or 1.87, depending on the source. For instance, a police Crown Victoria with 50,000 miles on it may be compared to a civilian Crown Victoria with 81,500 to 93,500 miles on it. With that in mind, look at the mileage listed above. Now, add another 250,000 miles for 2010 to our mileage total and the vehicle situation here in Marple Township becomes precarious at best.

As the mileage on any vehicle increases, the need for quality repair service increases. In many respects the mechanics at the Township Garage do a fine job in trying to keep our cars running. However, they appear to be at a disadvantage. Our mechanics are expected to be jacks of all trades. They work on trucks, snow plows, leaf machines, front end loaders and more. They also work on two makes of police car. As 2010 progresses and our fleet situation continues to deteriorate, more and more pressure will be put on the Township mechanics to provide higher quality service and preventative maintenance. The mechanics will also be needed to perform timely repairs as more and more vehicle components fail. With an aging, over used fleet of police vehicles, many major time consuming and expensive repairs will very definitely occur. This will put an increased strain on an already very busy group of mechanics. Expect more cars to be out of service for longer periods of time.

The current state of the Marple Township Police Department's vehicle fleet is not good. It promises to get a lot worse. The already well discussed shortage of police officers in this Township will be exaggerated by a shortage of police cars. We need officers to answer police calls for help and we need reliable vehicles to get them to where they are needed.

Marple Township Police Department Vehicle Inventory

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Year / Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>2009 Miles</u>
75-1	2008 Ford	Explorer	45,622	34,155
75-2	2008 Dodge	Charger	37,423	31,112
75-3	2007 Dodge	Charger	87,604	26,356
75-4	2006 Ford	Crown Vic.	92,991	16,262
75-5	2007 Dodge	Charger	85,164	26,331
75-6	2006 Ford	Crown Vic.	93,528	34,724
75-7	Totaled in Crash			
75-8	2005 Ford	Explorer	83,147	2,006
75-31	2008 Ford	Explorer	15,454	9,060
75-32	2002 Ford	Explorer	85,378	8,289
75-33	2002 Ford	Explorer	78,652	7,064
75-34	2007 Dodge	Charger	30,941	15,254
75-35	2001 Ford	Taurus	80,012	3,036
75-36	2007 Ford	Escape	55,522	14,846
75-37	2005 Ford	Crown Vic.	74,491	15,128
75-38	2000 Ford	F-150 P/U	59,593	3,604
75-39	2002 Harley	Road King	23,365	3,338

Respectfully submitted,

Lieutenant Matthew Richter

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CLEAN TERMINAL

The Commonwealth Law Enforcement Assistance Network (CLEAN) is used by criminal justice agencies to access driver license and motor vehicle information, state criminal history record information maintained in the Pennsylvania State Police Central Repository, the Commonwealth's central registry for Protection from Abuse orders, "hot" (stolen and wanted) files, law enforcement messaging capabilities, and a host of other services. CLEAN is Pennsylvania's conduit to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Crime Information Center (NCIC), and to the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS). CLEAN is maintained and administered by the Pennsylvania State Police (PSP). CLEAN access and the use of criminal justice systems and information is restricted to criminal justice agencies.

CLEAN maintains connections to over forty other networks, including the Pennsylvania Justice Network (JNET). CLEAN handles over 1.5 million transactions daily with an average turnaround time of 2.5 seconds each. The amount of traffic on the system has greatly increased in the recent years due to the increased number of Mobile Data Computers (MDC) installed in patrol vehicles. MDC's have allowed the patrol officer direct access to the CLEAN / NCIC network, which is critical to the apprehension of wanted and missing persons, as well as the recovery of stolen property. Access to the Mobile Data network and the MDC's are provided to the municipalities by Delaware County.

CLEAN access and the use of criminal justice systems and information is restricted to criminal justice agencies. The CLEAN Administrative Section prescribes regulations for CLEAN system use, conducts user training, audits transactions to maintain system security and discipline, and investigates allegations of misuse of information systems. Marple Township Police continue efforts to remain in compliance with all CLEAN / NCIC policies and regulations. During December 2008, we received our biennial records audit from the PSP Clean Audit Unit.

The Delaware County 911 Center (Delcom) continues to be the custodian of our CLEAN hot files. Marple Police officers fax requests for CLEAN / NCIC hot file entries to Delcom. The designated CLEAN operator at Delcom then makes the appropriate entry into the CLEAN / NCIC hot file. Our CLEAN terminal is available to officers to make direct queries on criminal history information and receive Live-scan responses.

CLEAN validation listings are mailed to every CLEAN terminal agency on a monthly basis. Our validation listings are forwarded through Delcom. Upon receipt of the validation listing, our agency is required to review each CLEAN entry to make sure the record is accurate and still active. During 2009, the monthly validation listings were reviewed, any necessary corrections were made, and they were returned to Delcom in a timely fashion. The validation procedure is helpful in maintaining our agency records so that we are always prepared for a CLEAN audit.

We continue to provide our own computer equipment to access the CLEAN system. The yearly cost for access through PSP is approximately \$4,000. Our agency must maintain proper anti-virus and security on the computer which accesses the CLEAN network. CLEAN audits include a review of our agency's security measures on the computer connected to the CLEAN network. In December 2007, the Live-scan fingerprint equipment and digital photo capture technology were installed in Marple Police Headquarters. Live-scan uses the same connection with

PSP to interface with the state Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) and the FBI's Integrated Automatic Fingerprint Identification System (IAFIS) maintained by the Department of Justice (DOJ). The digital photo capture equipment is used to photograph offenders and electronically transmit the digital photographs to the Commonwealth Photo Imaging Network (CPIN).

Live-scan inkless fingerprint equipment is technology designed to electronically capture fingerprint images. Using a live-scan device, fingerprint images can be captured and transmitted along with personal descriptor information to computers at the DOJ, in a matter of seconds, for completion of a criminal record check. As a result of legislation in late 1997, DOJ has developed an automated background check process that requires digitized fingerprints. DOJ now requires that fingerprints be submitted by Live-scan rather than hard copy fingerprint cards. When PSP's central repository receives the electronic fingerprint images and the digital photographs, they are made available to all law enforcement agencies via JNET Web-CPIN.

During the first half of 2009, our operators completed the biennial CLEAN operator re-certification process. During the re-certification process, the department's designated Terminal Agency Coordinator (TAC) completed the 50 question certification exam that is graded by personnel at CLEAN Headquarters. The TAC then administered the 10 question certification exam to each of our certified operators. The TAC graded the exams and forwarded the official certification record to PSP. All of our CLEAN terminal operators are now certified through June 30, 2011. The CLEAN certification also allows our officers to have criminal history access in the JNET system.

Respectfully submitted,

Officer Chris Barmes

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COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The community policing unit of the Marple Township Police Department continued to be very busy during the year of 2009. The unit provided many different programs to several community entities during the year. The unit continued to use a request from that any member of the department could complete with the needed information for an event.

Due to a couple of home invasions in the township Chief Murray instructed the community policing unit to make up a safety program that would be presented to interested citizens at the township building. The unit, in conjunction with Chief Murray and Commissioner Sammartino, developed a forty five minute power point presentation. The residents were invited to the township building in early May to view the presentation. It contained information on home, vehicle, personal and computer safety. The Chief also had the presentation put up on the police department's web site so any resident could access the information.

The unit worked with the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency to host their annual crime practitioners course at the Delaware County Community College. This is a week long course that offers information to police officers across the state on crime prevention and community policing. Ofc.Pete Baylor attended the course at DCCC. Several of the department's officers have been through the course.

The community policing unit continues to work on projects for future years. They are developing a Community Policing Unit pamphlet. The pamphlet will contain information on what types of programs the unit can present and how the residents can request a program. The idea is to distribute the pamphlets to the residents at community events. The unit would also like to start a Citizens Police Academy. There are several departments that have the academy and it is a valuable tool in police /community relations.

Listed below is a sampling of the many community policing events that the Marple Township Police Department participated in during the year of 2009.

DATE	EVENT	OFFICER
01-17-09	St.Pius Winter Wonderland	Sgt.Colgan
02-26-09	Cardinal O'Hara Forensics Class	Ofc.Miller
02-26-09	Russell School Gifted Support Class	Ofc.Barnes
02-27-09	Russell School Gifted Support Class	Ofc.Barnes
03-04-09	St.Pius/Officer Phil Safety Program	Ofc.Baylor
03-04-09	Loomis/Officer Phil Safety Program	Ofc.Baylor

03-09-09	Worrall/Officer Phil Safety Program	Sgt.Colgan
03-11-09	Russell/Officer Phil Safety Program	Ofc.Barmes
03-23-09	Springton Lake Village/Identity Theft	Sgt.Colgan
03-24-09	M-N High School/Survival 101	Sgt.Johnson
03-25-09	M-N High School/Survival 101	Ofc.Miller
03-25-09	M-N High School.Survival/101	Sgt.Johnson
04-06-09	Cub Scouts tour of station	Sgt.Johnson
04-21-09	Garrett's Way Daycare/Safety talk	Ofc.Barmes
04-29-09	Township building/Safety presentation	Sgt.Colgan
05-16-09	Marple Community Day	Sgt.Colgan
06-15-09	Russell School / Flag Presentation	Sgt. Graeff
06-09-09	Loomis/Tour of station	Sgt.Colgan
10-10-09	Run for Heros	Ofc. Benecke
10-14-09	Worrall School / DARE Presentation to PTO	Sgt. Graeff
10-28-09	Main Line Health/Halloween Safety	Ofc.Barmes
10-29-09	St.Pius Church/General Safety	Sgt.Johnson
10-29-09	Russell/Halloween Safety	Sgt.Johnson
10-29-09	St.Pius/Halloween Safety	Sgt.Johnson
10-30-09	Loomis/Halloween Safety	Sgt.Colgan
10-30-09	Worrall/Halloween Safety	Sgt.Colgan
10-31-09	Belmont Baptist/Fall Festival	Sgt.Colgan
11-10-09	Chi Institute/General Safety	Sgt.Colgan
11-12-09	Chi Institute/General Safety	Sgt.Colgan

Respectfully submitted:

Sergeant Tony Colgan

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ABANDONED VEHICLES

The patrol division receives numerous calls from citizens reporting suspicious/abandoned vehicles on the roadways in Marple Twp. More often than not, the vehicle belongs there for one reason or another. The vehicle may be parked for a little while and the resident may not recognize the vehicle. For a vehicle to be considered abandoned according to the State's criteria, it must meet one of the following criteria: expired registration, expired inspection or not be insured.

For the year 2009, the Abandoned Vehicles Unit investigated thirteen(13) reported and/or discovered vehicles that fit the State's criteria to be considered abandoned. When possible, attempts were made to contact the owner directly if the vehicle belonged to a local resident. If that was not possible, adhering to the State's requirements pertaining to the proper handling of abandoned vehicles, abandoned vehicle stickers were applied and certified letters were sent to the registered owners requesting removal of said vehicles or they would be towed at the direction of the Marple Twp. Police Dept.

All thirteen vehicles were removed from township streets in response to direct contact or the certified letter sent by police.

Respectfully Submitted,

Officer Stephen Benecke

Officer Ray Stiles

Officer Peter Baylor

MARPLE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT



ANNUAL REPORT

DARE PROGRAM

MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Paxon Hollow Middle School (PHMS):

Officer Eric Miller Detective Michael Sharkey Officer Steve Benecke
Sgt. Brandon Graeff Officer Greg deSimone

The DARE program continued successfully for its ninth consecutive year in 2009. At PHMS five fully trained and certified DARE officers spent over forty combined hours in the classroom teaching the ten lesson curriculum to nearly 300 sixth grade students. With those types of student numbers, the program is taught to half the sixth grade in the fall, normally beginning a week or two after the beginning of the school year, and the other half receiving the instruction in the spring, beginning immediately following Spring Break. Each officer is assigned one of the six classes and every effort is made by that officer to remain with that class for the five week instructional period. This method has proven to be very effective as it allows the officers to get to know the students and vice versa. A level of comfort and rapport is built thus allowing the learning process to take hold and afford the students, many of whom may never have interacted with a police officer before, an opportunity to view the police profession through a different lens. The approach of the DARE program focuses on interactive/cooperative learning, participation, and role playing.

DARE is taught during the children's Health and Wellness classes. Phys Ed and Health teacher Deb Havrilla continues to be instrumental in the success of the program by serving as a mentor to the officers and assisting with lessons as needed. At the end of each program students must create a poster illustrating the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. Students who pass attend a graduation ceremony at PHMS and receive their much anticipated T-shirts. At graduation the top twelve posters are announced and shown and those students are awarded medals and goodie bags for their creative efforts. The student with the best overall class project earns all those items plus a gift card to a favorite local business. **Russell, Worrall, and Loomis Elementary Schools** In the course of the school year there is very little "down time" for the DARE program. During the months of January and February an abbreviated DARE curriculum is taught to approximately 360 students in the 1st and 4th grades at our three elementary schools. This program consists of four lessons which cover issues such as personal safety, drug and alcohol awareness, and ways to recognize and get out of dangerous situations. Sgt. Graeff, Ofc Miller and Detective Sharkey have been familiar faces at Russell, Loomis, and Worrall, respectively, since 2002. Comparable to PHMS, the staff, administration, and PTO's from these three schools play an integral part in the success of the program. Since funding is no longer provided by the state DARE has been cut from the budget of numerous surrounding communities in 2009. However, with the unwavering support of Chief Murray, MNSD officials and staff, and the PTO's, DARE continues to be a positive influence for the children of our community. It is an extraordinary example of what can result from the cooperative efforts of parents, educators, police, and community for a common purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Officer Brandon M. Graeff

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SAINT PIUS X SCHOOL

The DARE program continued at St.Pius School during the year of 2009. The DARE program presented by the Marple Township Police Department started at St.Pius in September of 1994. This was the first school in the township to have the program. During 2009 the program was presented to two fifth grade classes totaling thirty eight students.

The program at St.Pius included twelve lessons of instruction that dealt with the dangers of alcohol and drugs along with preventing violence. The 2009 program also included two lessons that inform students of the dangers of prescription and over the counter drug abuse. These two lessons were implemented into the DARE program within the last three years. The abuse of prescription and OTC drugs has become a tremendous problem and the new lessons hopefully will help to reduce the problem.

There was a DARE parent night held at the school at the request of the staff at St.Pius. The original curriculum for the program included the parent night but it was removed when the curriculum was revised. However the staff at St.Pius annually requests that we still hold the parent night. This is a night where the parents come and ask questions of the officer concerning the program. The 2009 night was held in November and twelve parents attended. The students are told that if a brother or sister has been through the program then their parents need not attend.

The DARE graduation for the St.Pius students was held in December. Approximately forty five parents and guests attended the event. The graduation ceremony affords the students an opportunity to demonstrate some of the things that they have learned. Each class performs a skit to demonstrate an anti drug or alcohol message. Each year a poster contest is held with each student required to make up a poster. The poster has to contain a drawing and a message. The emphasis is placed on the message. There was a girl and boy chosen from each class who had the opportunity to show and explain their poster during the graduation. All of the posters were on display during the ceremony. The students enjoy making the posters and it is another way to show their parents what they have learned.

The DARE program continues to be a success at St.Pius and is one of the best community relations programs that the police department offers to the community. The program allows the officer to work with the school staff and the parents in an effort to keep our children safe from the dangers of drugs, alcohol and violence.

The program suffered a great loss in 2009 with the retirement of Officer Michael Hensel due to a job related injury. Ofc.Hensel was one of the initial DARE Officers in the police department and was instrumental in starting the program at St.Pius. He was well liked and respected by the students and staff. Ofc.Hensel will be missed and his contributions will not be forgotten.

Respectfully submitted,

Sergeant Tony Colgan