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# Police Department

## MONTHLY REPORT

### December 2009

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*Professionalism* POLICE

*Integrity*

*Respect*

*Compassion*

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**OFFENSE & INCIDENT REPORTS**

<i>Type</i>	<i>Dec 2009</i>	<i>Dec 2008</i>	<i>Dec 2007</i>	<i>YTD 2009</i>	<i>YTD 2008</i>	<i>YTD 2007</i>	<i>Percent Change 2009/2008</i>
<i>Property Accidents</i>	10	15	16	132	156	151	-15%
<i>Injury Accidents</i>	4	2	2	21	28	36	-25%
<i>Assault</i>	0	1	1	9	5	10	80%
<i>Breaking &amp; Entering</i>	0	1	1	6	17	6	-65%
<i>Attempted Burglary</i>	0	0	0	1	0	2	100%
<i>Burglary</i>	1	1	2	9	5	3	80%
<i>Criminal Damaging</i>	0	3	0	16	22	25	-27%
<i>Criminal Trespassing</i>	1	1	0	4	14	7	-71%
<i>Disorderly Conduct</i>	0	0	0	2	2	3	0%
<i>Domestic Violence/Dispute</i>	1	1	2	21	36	17	-42%
<i>Drug Offense</i>	0	0	0	1	4	2	-75%
<i>Theft</i>	3	12	7	91	128	108	-29%
<i>Menacing</i>	0	1	0	4	7	7	-43%
<i>Lockout</i>	11	16	25	178	246	274	-28%
<i>Missing Person</i>	0	1	0	5	3	2	67%
<i>Humane Destruction of Animals</i>	2	2	3	19	17	32	12%
<i>D.O.A</i>	0	0	0	3	0	0	300%
<i>Miscellaneous Offense</i>	7	6	10	88	93	83	-5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>-22%</b>

**KEY STATISTICS**

<i>Type</i>	<i>Dec 2009</i>	<i>Dec 2008</i>	<i>Dec 2007</i>	<i>YTD 2009</i>	<i>YTD 2008</i>	<i>YTD 2007</i>	<i>Percent Change 2009/2008</i>
<i>Calls For Service</i>	301	277	338	3735	4165	4368	-10%
<i>Accident Citations</i>	9	10	13	79	122	131	-35%
<i>Non-Accident Citations</i>	121	137	187	1433	1837	2163	-22%
<i>Criminal Citations*</i>	8	8	*unavail.	121	103	*unavail.	17%
<i>Traffic Warnings</i>	172	119	247	2024	2332	2367	-13%
<i>Adult Misdemeanor Arrests</i>	18	22	33	269	322	358	-16%
<i>Adult Felony Arrests</i>	0	3	3	15	22	24	-32%
<i>Juvenile Misdemeanor Arrests</i>	0	2	3	14	11	19	27%
<i>Juvenile Felony Arrests</i>	0	0	0	0	3	0	-100%
<i>False Alarm Reports</i>	65	31	55	462	291	410	59%
<i>House Checks</i>	69	48	220	765	644	1788	19%
<i>Domestic Violence/Dispute Runs</i>	1	1	16	19	36	47	-47%
<i>Assist Other Agency</i>	13	13	66	162	142	542	14%
<i>Motorist Assists</i>	8	7	72	120	195	839	-38%
<i>Vehicle Impounds</i>	18	18	27	179	241	217	-26%
<i>Property Impounds</i>	14	17	9	105	201	138	-48%

*\*New to report as of April 2008*

**ARRESTS**

<i>Type</i>	<i>Dec 2009</i>	<i>Dec 2008</i>	<i>Dec 2007</i>	<i>YTD 2009</i>	<i>YTD 2008</i>	<i>YTD 2007</i>	<i>Percent Change 2009/2008</i>
<b>Total Number of Arrests*</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>*unavail.</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>*unavail.</b>	<b>*unavail.</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>** Charges Filed</b>							
<i>Assault</i>	0	0	0	3	2	2	50%
<i>B&amp;E/Attempted B&amp;E</i>	0	0	0	0	1	3	-100%
<i>Burglary</i>	0	1	0	2	3	0	-33%
<i>Criminal Damaging</i>	0	0	0	1	0	4	100%
<i>Criminal Trespassing</i>	0	0	0	2	0	2	200%
<i>Disorderly Conduct</i>	0	0	0	4	2	3	100%
<i>Domestic Violence/Dispute</i>	0	0	0	4	3	4	33%
<i>Drug Offense</i>	1	6	2	49	68	43	-28%
<i>DUS/No Ops</i>	3	18	25	192	239	194	-20%
<i>Fictitious Tags</i>	0	0	0	3	2	4	50%
<i>Forgery/Theft</i>	0	2	0	9	11	9	-18%
<i>Menacing</i>	0	0	1	2	2	1	0%
<i>Motor Vehicle Theft</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
<i>Obstruct Official Business</i>	0	2	0	2	8	4	-75%
<i>OVI</i>	9	8	7	95	106	125	-10%
<i>Reckless Operation</i>	0	0	0	0	2	7	-100%
<i>Warrant Arrests</i>	10	5	2	106	75	61	41%
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	11	23	2	232	201	28	15%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>-3%</b>

*\*New to reporting as of April 2008*

*\*\*prior reporting included only  
most serious charge filed.*

## OFFICER STATISTICS

<i>Officer</i>	<i>Patrol Shifts Worked</i>	<i>Citations</i>	<i>Warnings</i>	<i>Arrests</i>	<i>Offense/Incident Reports</i>	<i>Dispatch Runs</i>	<i>Average Runs per Day</i>	<i>Special Project Hours</i>
<b>First Shift</b>								
Sgt. Jones	22	16	10	1	0	27	1.23	0
Off. Hamilton	23	5	12	2	4	30	1.30	0
Off. Deckop	18	6	8	1	6	33	1.83	30
Off. Hall	20	15	14	0	2	47	2.35	0
<b>Second Shift</b>								
Sgt. Anderson	19	7	2	0	0	22	1.16	0
Off. Duff	23	5	0	0	0	29	1.26	0
Off. Southers	22	19	16	2	5	32	1.45	11
Off. Fernander	19	11	18	4	2	32	1.68	0
<b>Third Shift</b>								
Sgt. Burton	21	5	14	1	0	17	1.31	0
Off. Daniels	18	8	30	1	2	31	1.72	0
Off. Kelly	19	6	6	1	1	42	2.1	0
Off. Catanese	20	0	9	0	0	46	2.71	0
Off. Rehnert	12	35	31	5	3	47	4.27	0
Det. Wall	22	0	0	0	0	11	0.55	0
SRO Strahler	22	0	1	0	0	5	0.25	0
Off. Geiger	-	-	-	<b>DARE Program</b>		-	-	-
Off. Workman	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

## Special Project Hours

**Officer Deckop:**

**Property Room: 9.5 hrs; Training: 9.5 hrs; Computer  
Related: 9 hrs; Equipment Related: 2 hrs**

**Officer Southers:**

**Court Related: 10.5 hrs; Child Safety Seat Inspection: .5  
hrs**

# **CHIEF'S REPORT**

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# **SUPERVISORS' REPORTS**

1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT

2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT

3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT

**COMMUNICATIONS/RECORDS**

# Chief's Report

## Chief Mark A. Chaney

### I. **Projects/Programs**

**New Police Cruisers** – During the month of December, the Police Department received two upgraded digital video cameras for its two new police cruisers. By mid-month, the graphics package had been applied to each new cruiser. During the last half of the month, the old cruisers had been stripped and the new cruisers were being outfitted with required equipment. We anticipate that both new police cruisers will be on the road by early January 2010.

### II. **Anticipated Problems or Developments**

Nothing to report.

### III. **Items of Special Interest**

**H1N1 Vaccinations** – On Thursday, December 17, 2009, all Village employees (and their families) were given the opportunity to receive the H1N1 flu vaccination at the Plain Township Fire Department. Unfortunately, fewer than six Police Department employees (and families) elected to take advantage of this free vaccination.

**Council Member Orientation** – On Wednesday, December 16, 2009, Chief Chaney met with new Council Member Sloan Spaulding. Chief Chaney provided Council Member Spaulding a tour of the police facility and answered several questions during this one hour orientation meeting.

**Fit Testing** – All full-time Police Department employees (both sworn and civilian) were fitted with their 3M half respirator masks. These masks were obtained through a Franklin County Homeland Security grant. The Plain Township Fire Department was able to get the specialized equipment needed to conduct the fit-tests. Between December 9 and 15, 2009, all Police Department employees received this fit test.

### IV. **Employee Concerns**

Nothing to report.

### V. **Community Policing/Community Relations**

**DARE Graduation** – On Friday, December 18, 2009, Chief Chaney was invited to speak at the annual DARE graduation ceremony. This year's ceremony was held at the McCoy Center for the Performing Arts. Over 300 students participated in the ceremony with many family members also in attendance. The special guest speaker for the graduation was Coach Conley, retired assistant OSU football coach.

# First Shift

## Sergeant Greg Jones

### I. Projects/Programs

**Electronic Finger Printing** – The Department has completed 86 electronic fingerprints on the Web Check system. The Department purchased the Web Check system in March of 2009. The Department has also completed numerous ink rolled fingerprints. The Web Check fingerprints are only completed for certain reasons. If the person requesting prints needs them for something other than what Web Check was intended for, we complete the ink rolled prints.

**Half Gas Masks** – All department personnel were fitted for the half face gas masks in the month of December. The fittings were conducted by Lieutenant Dudley of the Plain Township Fire Department. Most of the masks and filters have been distributed to Department personnel.

**Contact Surveys** – We received two Contact Surveys back from individuals who have had contact with our officers. Both indicated they had been stopped for a traffic violation. Both indicated the officer was “Very Courteous, Very Respectful, and Very Professional.” When completing the Contact Surveys one is given a scale to evaluate the dispatchers and officers. They check a box that best reflects their opinion.

### II. Anticipated Problems or Developments

Nothing at this time.

### III. Items of Special Interest

**Case Solved** – Near the end of November, Officer Hall took a report from a resident. The resident reported jewelry, valued at over \$ 20,000, was taken from the home. Officer Hall had developed suspects in the case and thought they may have pawned the stolen jewelry. Office Hall contacted Leads Online LLC and asked if their software could assist in tracking any pawn shop activity connected with the suspects. As a type of free trial, the company ran the suspects through their computers and provided Officer Hall with the information. As a direct result of the information provided by Leads Online LLC, the jewelry was recovered and the suspects have had warrants filed for their arrest.

During a previous trial usage period, our Department was able to solve other cases in a similar manner. It is our hope that we can purchase the software in the future to assist in criminal investigations.

**Property Room** – Officers Deckop and Fernander have cleared all remaining 2005 property for disposal. Property in the property room eventually needs to be destroyed, returned to the owner or converted of police use.

**Cruisers** – All of the police equipment has been removed from old cruiser # 61. The equipment has been installed in the new cruiser # 61 and the cruiser was put into service on December 29<sup>th</sup>. Cruiser # 62 is currently having its equipment moved from the old cruiser to the new one in hopes of having it in service by mid January. Once the conversions are complete, all marked cruiser will have the black and white except for a relief car and the Department's marked pick-up #66.

**Schools** – Officer Strahler, Sergeant Jones, Sergeant Burton and Officer Workman attended a legal update class held at the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **IV. Employee Concerns**

Nothing at this time.

#### **V. Community Policing/Community Relations**

**DARE** – The 5<sup>th</sup> Grade DARE Graduation was held at the McCoy Center on December 18<sup>th</sup>. The speaker was Bill Conley, former OSU Football Coach and Recruiting Coordinator. Mr. Conley gave an excellent speech. His message held meaning for the fifth graders and adults.

## Traffic Issues

### Traffic Complaints

**School Related Traffic** – Sergeant Jones received a call from a resident who was concerned about the traffic congestion on Dublin Granville Road during the school's morning drop off. He initially asked that the Department post an officer at the Middle School drop off loop encourage parents to complete the drop off process faster. Sergeant Jones explained that his suggestion was not viable for several reasons.

The resident and Sergeant Jones discussed the school related traffic for some time. Traffic does seem to be very heavy at times around the schools. There are several environmental reasons for the issue. The first is that all the schools are situated on one campus in the heart of New Albany instead of being distributed throughout town. Another reason is that the roads leading through the center of town cross in all different directions instead of a grid style road system.

Traffic issues may only get worse if the school's student population grows and downtown area traffic increases because of attractions and/or development. Sergeant Jones contacted the New Albany Service Department to see if the Safe Routes to Schools project addressed traffic issues. The project is geared more towards pedestrian safety than traffic congestion. Sergeant Jones also discussed the traffic issues with Officer Joel Strahler who is the Department's School Resource Officer. The Police and Service Departments plan to speak with Village's Traffic Engineers about the issue. Perhaps an evaluation of the traffic complaints can be completed and any issues can be addressed.

**Speed Trailer** – The Speed Trailer has been at numerous locations in New Albany this month. It started the month on New Albany Road East west of Dean Farm Road. It was then deployed to Greensward Road east of Harlem Road. The trailer was then deployed to Harlem Road north of Morse Road, James River Road and Audley Road.

Each of the locations detailed above are locations the Department has received speeding complaints. As an ongoing effort to address those concerns the Department redeploys the trailer to those areas of concerns from time to time in an effort to reinforce the importance of obeying the posted speed limits.

## Top Eight

The following is December 2009's Top Eight list.

1. **US 62 in area of Nazarene Church (Speed)**
2. **Dean Farm Rd. (Speed)**
3. **Walton Pkwy & SR 605 (Stop Sign)**
4. **Harlem Road between Morse & US 62 (Speed)**
5. **School Zone – Fodor Rd.**
6. **School Zone – Dublin Granville**
7. **School Zone – SR 605**
8. **Thompson Road – Speed (New & Wider Road)**

Officers dedicated 26.85 hours in the Top Eight areas during the month of December. They issued 22 citations and 31 warnings.

### Top Eight Activity by Officer

	<u>Minutes</u>	<u>Citations</u>	<u>Warnings</u>
Sgt. Jones	243	5	4
Sgt. Anderson	88	2	5
Off. Duff	No Report	-	-
Off. Hamilton	370	2	8
Off. Deckop	No Report	-	-
Off. Hall	405	4	5
Off. Southers	505	9	9
Off. Rehnert	0	0	0
Off. Fernander	No Report	-	-

## Second Shift

### Sergeant Mark Anderson

#### I. Projects/Programs

**Deer Management Program** – The Deer Management Program has recorded 75 harvested deer through December 2009. The Hunting Program will continue through February in the hunting zones that have been approved by the Division of Wildlife and have received a deer damage permit. Seventeen hunters have donated 22 of the 75 deer to charity, more than doubling the entire number donated last season.

**Towing Contracts** – On Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, Sergeant Anderson and Chief Chaney met with the five towing companies at the Police Department to discuss performance related issues and/or problems experienced with towing services and reviewed the 2010 towing contract agreement. At the conclusion of the meeting, each company representative signed the contracts, extending their contractual services through 2010. The signed contracts were then forwarded to Mr. Joe Stefanov and Village Attorney Mitch Banchefsky for their signatures.

#### II. Anticipated Problems or Developments

Nothing to report this month.

#### III. Items of Special Interest

**3M Respirator Masks** – During the second week of December, all second shift employees were fitted for their 3M respirator masks by the Plain Township Fire Department. The masks will be available to Police Department employees so that they can protect themselves from being exposed to dangerous or life threatening air-borne contaminants.

**On-going Case File** – Officer Southers reorganized the on-going case file and created a new 2010 case folder. The top two drawers of the on-going case file have been designated as the active case file for 2009/2010 cases.

#### IV. Employee Concerns

Nothing to report this month.

#### V. Community Policing/Community Relations

**Child Safety Seat Inspection** – On December 19, 2009, at 1900 hours, Officer Southers conducted a child safety seat inspection at the Police Department for a resident. The resident called in on the 19<sup>th</sup> and Officer Southers arraigned for her to stop in later in the day for the inspection.

# Third Shift

## Sergeant Ed Burton

### I. Projects/Programs

**Goals and Objectives** – With the end of the year, the Police Department reviewed our 2009 Goals and Objectives accomplishments. This month all supervisors (with the assistance of their subordinates) began creating a rough draft of suggestions for our 2010 Goals and Objectives. These suggestions will be completed and turned into Chief Chaney at the beginning of the year. All drafts of the Goals and Objectives will then be reviewed and discussed at the January supervisors' meeting and a set of Goals and Objectives for 2010 will be determined.

**3M Respirator Masks** – This month, our agency received 3M respirator masks from a grant. These masks had to be fit-tested to each individual in order to be properly worn. All police personnel did report to the Plain Township Fire Department where their mask was fit-tested by Lieutenant Travis Dudley.

**2010 Training Selection** – During the month of December, all officers began selecting and filling out applications for the training courses that they desire to attend during 2010. Many of these training courses fill up quickly and it is necessary for officers to apply early as they are held at either the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy or the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy.

**Traffic Speed Trailer** – During the month of December, third shift was issued the responsibility of deploying the traffic speed trailer in local areas of the village with the hope of reminding drivers to slow down. This month the speed trailer was placed at the following intersections; Greensward Rd. at Beecher Ct, Harlem Rd. at James River Rd, and Audley Rd. at Tumblebrook Dr.

### II. Anticipated Problems or Developments

No anticipated problems or developments to report at this time.

### III. Items of Special Interest

#### Training –

- On December 3<sup>rd</sup>, Sergeant Ed Burton attended a course held at the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy, in London, Ohio entitled “Legal Update.”
- On December 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, Officer Joe Rehnert attended a course held at the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy, in London, Ohio entitled “Human Relations/Conflict Management.”

- On December 7<sup>th</sup>, Officers Joe Catanese, Kris Daniels, and Leland Kelly were required to attend AED/CPR training held at the Plain Township Fire Department. This was mandatory recertification training which was instructed by Captain Joe Brown.

**Compliment** – On November 20<sup>th</sup>, Officer Joe Rehnert stopped a gentleman issuing him a citation for an expired license plate. On December 9<sup>th</sup>, the Clerk of Courts received a letter from that gentleman stating “The officer was very professional and courteous. This officer appears to be a great attribute to the village and citizens as he appears to protect and serve in a professional manner.”

#### **IV. Employee Concerns**

No employee concerns at this time.

#### **V. Community Policing**

No community policing/community relations to report at this time.

# Detective Investigations/Activities

## Detective Jeff Wall

### I. Projects/Programs

Nothing to report this month.

### II. Investigations

- The Franklin County Grand Jury reviewed the packet submitted to the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office by Detective Wall for Rape investigation (#09-1255). The defendant was indicted and the prosecutor arranged for an arrest warrant to be issued for the defendant. The prosecutor, the Franklin Country Sheriff's Office Fugitive Squad, and Detective Wall worked together to apprehend and slate the defendant.
- Detective Wall continued the investigation of a Theft report (#09-1626) taken from the Safety Director of Mt. Carmel Health. A former employee of the New Albany Surgical Hospital is suspected of taking approximately \$23,000 from a company checking account prior to resigning. Records are being obtained and the suspect agreed to an interview during the first week of January 2010.
- The prosecutor assigned to Officer Daniels' felony Theft case (#09-1050) requested more documents and statements from witnesses before the case goes to trial. Detective Wall assisted Officer Daniels in obtaining this information for the case.
- Detective Wall assisted Officer Deckop with Theft investigation (#09-1816) where Blackberries were reported stolen from Abercrombie & Fitch. The suspect was interviewed and a confession was obtained by Sergeant Anderson and Officer Southers. A prosecutor was consulted and a grand jury packet will be compiled and submitted.
- The New Albany Mayor's Court filed a Falsification/Obstructing Official Business report (#09-1596) with Detective Wall. A defendant, who had been issued a traffic citation, is suspected of submitting a falsified insurance document to the court. The investigation was completed and the packet was submitted to the Mayor's Court for review.
- Officer Rehnert and Detective Wall assisted Officer Fernander with an Identity Theft investigation (#09-1883). Officer Fernander received information that several suspects in this case would be picking up bulk items at a retailer that were purchased over the phone with a stolen credit card. While in plain clothes, Officer Rehnert and Detective Wall witnessed the suspects attempt to pick up other property purchased with another stolen credit card. The suspects were detained and transported to the station for interviews. The investigation is continuing with assistance from USBank, the Ohio Highway Patrol, and the Fairfield County Sheriff's Department.

- B.C.I lab concluded analyzing all of the evidence submitted during the investigation of Burglary report (#08-2342). After transcribing all of the interviews with the suspects, criminal charges and grand jury packets will be filed.
- Detective Wall continued to assist Officer Hall with Theft investigation (#09-1764) involving various jewelry items taken from a home. Via LeadsOnline, Officer Hall determined that the victim's house-cleaner pawned some of the missing items at a pawnshop in Columbus. Officer Rehnert and Detective Wall accompanied the victim to the pawnshop where she positively identified the items as being her property. The items were impounded as evidence and felony criminal charges will be filed by Officer Hall.

### **III. Items of Special Interest**

**Calls for Service** – Detective Wall submitted suspected marijuana to the Newark Police Department's crime lab for testing for Officer Daniel's OVI/Marijuana Possession arrest (#09-514).

**Subpoenas** – To help the officers with their on-going investigations, Det. Wall continued to obtain investigative subpoenas as needed from the Franklin County Municipal Court Duty Judge. These cases include ID Theft (#09-1883) by Officer Fernander and Telecommunications Harassment (#09-1209) by Officer Southers.

### **IV. Community Policing/Community Relations**

**Block Watch** – Det. Wall continued to assist the L.C.S.O. and local residents with the monthly meetings held at the Jersey Township Meeting Hall.

**Fingerprinting** – On three occasions when no patrol officers were available, Detective Wall assisted residents with fingerprint cards at the station.

# School Resource Officer

## Officer Joel Strahler

### I. Projects/Programs

**IDENT-A-KID:** Finally, the long anticipated unveiling of five new systems in each school office across campus has arrived. Partnering with Ident-A-Kid, the school district's technology team, individual building principals, and the director of operations and planning, Officer Strahler was able to coordinate, plan and manage the purchase of the machines and associated equipment, software licensing agreements, and bringing the system on line and active across the entire campus. This system allows Officer Strahler and designees to gain access to the system from any remote location to see all visitors, substitutes and contractors on campus, which includes photos. Eventually, through the network, it is hopeful that access at the police department, much like the cameras, will be available soon.

### II. Anticipated Problems or Developments

**Run Club:** Teacher Andy Norman approached Officer Strahler about the possibility of holding a 5k run during Peace Week either during school hours or outside of school. Mr. Norman was directed to the New Albany events committee and also advised that an on road run would require several volunteers and police officers for traffic control. Officer Strahler suggested the 5k be held all inclusive on school grounds eliminating the need for a lot of outside resources. Plus, there was a concern about students' safety if the event is opened to the public. A lot of issues are being ironed out but this could be an event (if it is outside of the school) that would require a lot of police attention.

### III. Items of Special Interest

**Training:** Officer Strahler attended a legal update at the Ohio Peace Officer's Training Academy this month. This was an 8-hour training course covering new court rulings over the past year and refreshment on laws officers deal with everyday.

**H1N1 Masks:** Officers were fitted, trained on donning and received masks from the County for use in situations that could be contaminated.

### IV. Enforcement/Calls for Service

**Flooded Restrooms:** Students reported one of the high school bathrooms were flooding. Upon staff responding to the facility, it was discovered the flooding was caused by intentional damage. Camera review established a suspect. The school is handling the investigation.

**Student with a Firearm:** A student reported to a staff member they witnessed another student to be in possession of what the reporting student believed to be a gun. Upon an immediate search to locate the student it was discovered the possible gun was a calculator. Due to the immediate response of staff members and the time of day (end of the school day) a lock down was avoided.

**Drug Investigation:** A student reported to Officer Strahler that they had witnessed a possible drug transaction in a bathroom of the high school. An investigation followed and the two suspects involved did admit to the transaction of illegal prescription medications, however, no medications were located, just an empty prescription bottle. The school suspended the two students for their involvement by their own admittance and no criminal charges have been filed to date.

**Locker Room Thefts:** Several thefts in the locker rooms across campus have been reported to Officer Strahler. All thefts have occurred from unlocked lockers and have included money, clothing and electronics. All thefts have been investigated but no suspect(s) have been developed to date.

**Marihuana:** A staff member reported to Officer Strahler that a restroom facility in the library building had a strong odor of what they believed to be marihuana smoke. No suspects have been developed but staff members in the area have been made aware of the situation and are monitoring the facilities more vigilantly.

**Civil Protection Order:** Officer Strahler was called to answer some questions regarding a CPO. The common language of the CPO was called into question as to whether or not the administrative offices of the school included "school property."

**Franklin County Children Services:** A report of child abuse was reported to Officer Strahler. Due to the geographical location of the incident, the Franklin County Sheriff's Department was called to respond to the school to take a report and follow up with an investigation. Children Services were notified and involved in the investigation.

**Homeland Security:** Detective Bahgat from Columbus Police, assigned to the Homeland Security Section, was contacted to assist Officer Strahler with an issue that developed at the middle school involving a presentation to 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. The Homeland Security Section of CPD was more than willing to assist with requests and manpower to aid in extra security precautions during this presentation.

**Diversion:** Officer Strahler recommended two students for New Albany's Diversion program as part of school discipline. These two students were engaged and have been engaged in threatening each other and their respective families. Ms. Amy Boyd was notified and is willing to take the caseload on in her pre-diversion program.

**Crash with injuries:** Officer Strahler was able to assist patrol during an early morning crash on U.S. 62 at the entrance to the school's transportation department.

## V. Community Policing

**St. Mathews Catholic Middle School (Gahanna):** In conjunction with New Albany's Probation Department, Ms. Amy Boyd has requested the assistance of Officer Strahler next month to help do a presentation to 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students on Internet safety. This will be the second time Officer Strahler has been ask to present at this school.

**Safety Town:** Columbus Parent Magazine has again contacted the police department in reference to Safety Town. They have requested that Safety Town set up a booth at the Columbus Zoo, similar to the set up at The New Albany Classic. Officer Strahler will be working on arranging and organizing this event.

***D.A.R.E.:*** The 5<sup>th</sup> grade *D.A.R.E.* class graduated close to 400 students this month in the McCoy Center. Officer Geiger had guest speakers including our Chief of Police, students from the graduating class and Bill Conley, former OSU football coach. Congratulations to all the 5<sup>th</sup> graders and Officer Geiger for another successful *D.A.R.E.* class.

# Communications/Records

## Office Supervisor Yvette Nguyen

### I. Projects/Programs

**MARCS Radio Grant** – Franklin County EMA personnel notified Office Supervisor Nguyen that purchasing for 2009 has stopped. The purchase order process will resume in mid-January 2010. Once Franklin County processes a purchase order for the grant funds, they will contact our agency to begin the process to order radios from Motorola. Franklin County EMA will purchase and receive the radios. They will contact the Office Supervisor when they are ready to be picked-up.

**ARRA JAG Grant** – Office Supervisor Nguyen contacted OCJS Grant Coordinator Kathi Bibb about award notices for the most recent JAG Grant applied for. The award notice date has been extended and it may be early January before notices are posted.

**Audio Recording Equipment** – The Office Supervisor is creating templates to be used with the evaluation tool. These templates should be ready in early January.

**Crystal Reports Software** – Office Supervisor Nguyen received the Crystal Reports software in early December. A work order was submitted to Affiliated to install this to work in conjunction with the CAD and BADGE programs.

### II. Anticipated Problems or Developments

**NG911 Update** – There was a recent unexpected development of the Next Generation 911 (NG911) project this month. During a 911 Manager Group meeting on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Managers were informed that the Franklin County 911 Governing Board met on December 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss the project. The Board passed a budget of \$4.2 million for NG911 network and upgrades and suggested a contract with Intrado Communications to perform the work. The Board also asked for each PSAP Manager to create a letter identifying their role as the PSAP Manager and their individual support for NG911 in their jurisdiction. Most PSAP Managers thought this project was 2-3 years away from implementation. Many PSAP Managers are concerned with the speed at which these developments are taking place and that none of the PSAP Managers have seen the Intrado contract or statement of work. The current Franklin County Coordinator, Ken Borrer, will retire as of December 31<sup>st</sup> and the new 911 Coordinator, David Ziegler, will take his place. David will conduct two meetings in January to further discuss the project and critique the contract involved.

### III. Items of Special Interest

#### Dispatch Center Statistics:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>YTD 2009</u>	<u>YTD 2008</u>	<u>% Change 2008/2009</u>
911 Calls	88	104	1161	1183	-1%
Warrants Entered	2	9	86	78	10%
Entered Reports	141	166	1831	2300	-20%

### IV. Employee Concerns

**Part-time Dispatchers** – Mr. Ross LaPerna and Ms. Kirstin Williams are doing well with their training. Ross is currently training on first shift with Dispatcher Ronda Brigner and Kirstin is training on second shift with Dispatcher Brandi Daniels. They will remain on this schedule through the end of January.

**Dispatcher Meeting** – A dispatcher meeting was held on December 16<sup>th</sup>. The Office Supervisor will be holding Dispatcher quarterly meetings. Discussions will be centered on training, core values, policy and procedure updates and changes, and issues or problems in the Dispatch Center.

### V. Community Policing/Community Relations

**Holiday Gifts** – Many residents and local business owners/managers were kind enough to deliver cookies and other desserts during the Christmas holiday for police personnel. Many thanks to all! The food was much appreciated by the staff.