

2016 Annual Report



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Mission Statement

The mission statement for all members of the Wayne County Sheriff's Office is to be responsive to and protect the constitutional rights of each member of the community we serve by affirmatively promoting a climate of safety and security among all persons within our jurisdiction.

The success of our mission will be realized by constantly working to achieve excellence in providing efficient and effective services to our community in a professional manner and by encouraging the active participation of our community in those efforts.

We accept this responsibility for the achievement of this mission and publicly register our commitment to it and to the concept of providing quality service.

Wayne County Sheriffs

NAME	TERM	NAME	TERM
Josiah Crawford	1812-1814	E.A. Brown	1888-1892
Robert Orr	1814-1818	John Brown	1892 (Vice E.A. Brown deceased)
John Updegraff	1818-1820	Cyrus D. Smith	1892-1894
Joseph Barkdull	1820-1824	W.W. Garver	1894-1898
John Smith	1824-1828	J.S. McCoy	1898-1902
Thomas Robison	1828-1832	Armstrong Brown	1902-1906
Mathias Johnston	1832-1836	W.M. Caskey	1906-1910
Daniel Yarnell	1836-1838	Marcus Van Nest	1911-1915
M.C. Shant	1838-1842	Milton C. Miller	1915-1918
Samuel Kermickel	1842-1846	G. Lautzenheiser	1918-1923
Samuel Cutter	1846-1848	Andrew B. Bucker	1923-1927
George W. Lorah	1848-1852	Albert F. Jacot	1927-1929
John Bechtel	1852-1856	Clark Shearer	1929-1933
Neal McCoy	1856-1858	Charles Nauman	1933-1937
W.A. Eaken	1858-1860	E.E. Mills	1937-1949
Joshua Wilson	1860-1864	Glen Rike	1949-1973
John B. France	1864-1868	James M. Frost	1973-1981
George Steele	1868-1872	Loran D. Alexander	1981-1996
Jacob R. Bowman	1872-1876	Thomas G. Maurer	1997-2012
William Coulter	1876-1880	Travis Hutchinson	2013 -
Jacob Mougey	1884-1888		

ADMINISTRATION

SHERIFF

Travis Hutchinson

CHIEF DEPUTY

Douglas Johnson

CAPTAINS

Blaine Budd
Douglas Hunter
James Richards

SUPPORT STAFF

Karen Graham, Executive Assistant
Beth Farver, Executive Secretary
Norma Clason, PT Secretary II
Rachael Fuqua, Secretary II
Crystal Harper, Civil Secretary
Jennifer Reynolds, Jail Secretary

CHAPLAIN

Curt Stauffer



Sheriff Travis Hutchinson



Chief Deputy
Douglas Johnson



Captain Blaine Budd



Captain Douglas
Hunter



Captain James Richards



Karen Graham



Beth Farver



Norma Clason



Rachael Fuqua



Crystal Harper



Jennifer Reynolds



Curt Stauffer-Chaplain

SEX OFFENDER/ARSON OFFENDER REGISTRATION

The E-SORN (Electronic Sex Offender Registration and Notification System) was developed in response to Megan's Law, passed in 1994, which prompted the passage of 'The Jacob Wetterling Act', in addition to the Federal Crime Act. This legal addition to existing law required all states to pass a sex offender registration and notification law. To date, all 50 states have a sex offender registration law.

The Ohio version of Megan's Law is called the Electronic Sex Offender Registration and Notification (ESORN) law. Ohio's law requires that all sex offenders, including those already incarcerated, be classified by their sentencing judges into one of the below classifications, each of which dictates the registration and notification requirements to which the offender is subject. From January 1997, all convicted sex offenders have been, and continue to be, subject to the registration requirements of the law.

This law was revised on July 31, 2003, with the passage of Senate Bill 5, which developed new classifications of offenders and strengthened the current SORN Laws in Ohio. Any person convicted of certain sex offense violations of the Ohio Revised Code or similar laws of another state may be determined by the court to be required to register as a sex offender.

The latest revision, Senate Bill 10, went into effect January 1, 2008. Passage of this law ensures Ohio is in compliance with the recently enacted federal law called the Adam Walsh Act (AWA). The major change in the law requires the Ohio Attorney General to reclassify every current offender under the Tier system and also change the reporting requirements for each offender. Classifications under the Tier system are based solely on the specific crime the offender was convicted of. Sex offenders are classified as: 1) Tier 1 Offenders, 2) Tier 2 Offenders, and 3) Tier 3 Offenders.

Offender Requirements:

1. All registered sex offenders must report at the scheduled intervals based on their classifications. In addition, they must report any change in address within three days to the Sheriff of the county in which they reside.
2. All registered sex offenders must report to the county Sheriff immediately upon entering the county to attend school.
3. All registered sex offenders must register with the county Sheriff where the offender has been employed in the county for more than 14 days or for a total of 30 days or more in a calendar year, regardless of where the offender lives.
4. All registered sex offenders must report to the county Sheriff all vehicles registered to them.

5. All registered sex offenders must report to the county Sheriff any Internet or e-mail addresses to which they have access.
6. All registered sex offenders must report to the county Sheriff any location where they serve as a volunteer.

Current Classifications:

1. Tier 1 Offender

A Tier 1 offender is subject to the registration/verification requirements annually for a period of 15 years following their initial registration. **These offenders are not subject to neighborhood/community notification.** A \$25 fee per registration may be collected by the Sheriff for a maximum of \$25 per year.

2. Tier 2 Offender

A Tier 2 offender is subject to registration/verification requirements every 180 days (six months) for a period of 25 years following their initial registration. **These offenders are not subject to neighborhood/community notification.** A \$25 fee per registration may be collected by the Sheriff for a maximum of \$50 per year.

3. Tier 3 Offender

Offenders designated as a Tier 3 Offender are subject to registration/verification requirements every 90 days for life. **Tier 3 offenders are subject to the neighbor/community notification provision, which includes all residents within a 1,000 foot radius of where the offender is residing.** A \$25 fee per registration may be collected by the Sheriff for a maximum of \$100 per year

Tier 3 Juvenile Offenders are now eligible to be placed on the public web site only if the Juvenile Court where the offender was classified orders that the juvenile be considered "Public Qualified". In addition, the Court must also determine if "Community Notification" is to be made on Tier 3 Juvenile Offenders.

Due to the recent law changes, several legal challenges have been filed questioning the requirements and constitutionality of the new law. In June of 2010, the Ohio Supreme Court ruled in the *Ohio v Bodyke* case. This required us to work with the Ohio Attorney General to return those offenders previously classified under the old law to their early classification. Those offenders convicted and classified since the latest revision went into effect were not changed. In late 2011, the Ohio Supreme Court also ruled on the *Ohio v Williams* case. This required the Ohio Attorney General to also list some offenders as "Pre AWA" (offense occurred prior to the Adam Walsh Act going into effect).

All sex offenders were previously classified in the following classifications prior to the new law taking effect:

1. Sexual Predator - Requires community notification and must register every 90 days for life.
2. Habitual Sex Offender - Only allows community notification if specifically ordered by the sentencing court and must register once a year for 20 years.
3. Sexually Oriented Offender - Does not permit community notification and must register once a year for ten years.
4. Child-Victim Oriented Offender - Does not permit community notification and must register once a year for ten years.
5. Habitual Child-Victim Offender - Only allows community notification if specifically ordered by the sentencing court and must register once a year for 20 years.
6. Child-Victim Predator - Requires community notification and must register every 90 days for life.
7. Pre-AWA - Requires the offender to register once a year for ten years. Not subject to community notification.

Search information for sex offenders can be obtained from the Sheriff's website at <http://www.waynecountysheriff.com/sexoffenders.htm>. You can sign up to receive e-mail alerts of any offender who moves within a specified radius of any registered address in the state of Ohio. You can also search for offenders living within a specified radius of a searched address.

For specific information on sex offender registration, refer to the Ohio Revised Code, Section 2950.

Arson Offenders:

Offender Watch[®] Arson is a new database that began in July 2013. It is the same kind of database used to register sex offenders. According to the Ohio Attorney General, to be classified as an arson offender, the person must have been "convicted or pled guilty to an arson related offense on/after July 1, 2013; have been incarcerated for that arson related offense; or have been convicted or pled guilty to any offense in Chapter 2909 on/after July 1, 2013 after originally being charged with committing, attempting, conspiring, or complicity in committing an arson related offense". Unlike sex offender registration, however, arson registry is **NOT** a public record. Arson offenders must still register annually for life, unless specified by the courts. These offenders must initially register with the county they reside in within ten days of their release from incarceration or within ten days of their sentencing, if they are not sentenced to a term of incarceration. Out-of-state arson offenders must register within ten days of occupying a dwelling or residing in the state for more than three consecutive days.

For specific information on arson offenses and arson registration, refer to the Ohio Revised Code, Section 2909.

**Sex Offenders and Arson Offenders in Wayne County by Classification as of
December 31, 2016**

Classification	#
Sexually Oriented Offenders	37
Juvenile Sexually Oriented Offenders	2
Sexual Predator	24
Juvenile Sexual Predator	1
Tier 1 Sex Offenders	36
Tier 1 Juvenile Sex Offenders	5
Habitual Sex Offenders without Community Notification	5
Juvenile Habitual Offenders	1
Tier 2 Sex Offenders	40
Tier 2 Juvenile Sex Offenders	4
Tier 3 Sex Offenders	9
Tier 3 Juvenile Sex Offenders	1
Tier 3 Child Victim Offenders	1
Total	166
Arson Offenders	2

CARRY CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMITS

In 2004, the Wayne County Sheriff's Office began issuing carry concealed handgun licenses. Recent changes to Ohio's Concealed Handgun Laws under Ohio House Bill 234 became effective on March 23, 2015. The law sets out minimum educational requirements that are components of the various forms of competency certification as set forth previously.

In order to obtain a Carry Conceal Weapon (CCW) license, applicants must successfully complete an 8-hour course with a minimum of 2-hours of in-person training that consists of range time and live-fire training. The law requires certified training in the following matters:

- The ability to name, explain, and demonstrate the rules for safe handling of a handgun and proper storage practices for handguns and ammunition;
- The ability to demonstrate and explain how to handle ammunition in a safe manner;
- The ability to demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and attitude necessary to shoot a handgun in a safe manner;
- Gun-handling training;
- Certify that they have received and reviewed the Ohio's Concealed Carry Laws and License Application publication.

Additionally, the applicant must also complete a written and in-person examination that tests his/her competency in these areas. It should also be noted that the training and written exam may be completed online or as a combination of in-person and online training.

The online portion of training must include a component that regularly engages the person

In order to obtain a Concealed Handgun License, applicants must successfully complete the above noted training. This training can be offered by or under the auspices of a National Gun Advocacy Organization or the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (OPOTA). In addition to the training, the applicant must also pass a background check. These are completed using the federal National Instant Background Check System (NICS), administered by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), The National WebCheck System, the Law Enforcement Automated Data System, and court records of the applicant. National WebCheck® utilizes criminal records held by the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCI&I), as well as the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Applications are processed Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

If the applicant meets the requirements, they are issued an Ohio Carry Conceal License, permitting them to carry a concealed handgun with various restrictions. The cost of the license is \$67 if the applicant has been an Ohio resident for the past five years and is valid for a period of five (5) years. At this point there are no renewal training requirements to obtain an additional five year CCW license. The renewal cost is \$50, providing the applicant's Ohio residency status has not changed. All CCW instructors are required to be certified either through the National Rifle Association (NRA) or the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (OPOTA). Ohio maintains reciprocal agreements with 32 other states concerning carry conceal. Additional information can be found on the websites of the Wayne County Sheriff's Office and the Ohio Attorney General.

Additional changes to Ohio's Concealed Carry Law can be found in Ohio Revised Code 2923.125.

CARRY CONCEALED HANDGUN LICENSE STATISTICS				
STATISTICS	WAYNE COUNTY			
YEAR	2015	2015	2016	2016
	New	Renew	New	Renew
1ST Quarter	256	237	633	192
2ND Quarter	493	234	566	212
3RD Quarter	432	184	524	147
4TH Quarter	436	160	529	194
Totals	1,617	815	2,252	745

2016	Suspended	Revoked	Denied
1 st Quarter	4	0	0
2 nd Quarter	7	1	2
3 rd Quarter	9	4	0
4 th Quarter	11	1	2
Totals	31	6	4

CIVIL DIVISION

Civil Deputy

Steve Saurer

Wayne County Job & Family Services

Deputy Tom Holmes

Civil Secretary

Crystal Harper



Deputy Steve Saurer



Deputy Tom Holmes
Wayne County Job
& Family Services



Civil Secretary Crystal Harper

CIVIL DIVISION

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The Civil Division of the Sheriff's Office is responsible for serving court related documents from the Wayne County Common Pleas Court and also assisting the Wayne County Municipal Court in the service of court orders. There are also many civil papers that are served through our Civil Division that have been sent by foreign county courts. Deputy Steve Saurer was assigned as the Civil Deputy during 2016.

Foreclosure sales decreased in 2016 by 12%. Properties are sold every Wednesday in the lobby of the Justice Center. Notices of foreclosure sales are published in *The Daily Record* and are on our website for citizens to view. In 2016, 176 foreclosure sales were ordered by the courts. Of those 176 sales, 52 were later cancelled by the court and a total of 123 properties were sold or were returned to the financial institution involved due to no bids. One sale was vacated prior to the sale date. The total costs collected and dispersed for these sales was \$6,560,088.98.

There were five executions ordered to seize items and conduct a sale of those items to settle a financial obligation of a court order. One of the executions there was no service, one involved a farm inventory, but no money was collected; two executions were canceled by the attorney, and one is still open.

The chart below shows a comparison of 2015 to 2016 for Civil Division activities.

Documents Served	2015		2016	
	Number Served	Number of Miles	Number Served	Number of Miles
Indictments	61	1,809	64	677
Executions	3	53	5	81
Guardianships	---	---	11	516
Foreclosure Sales	200	---	176	---
Protection Orders	71	3,226	106	2,278
Subpoenas	1,361	16,234	1,893	24,149
Summons	376	8,008	438	7,939
Notices	70	1,620	55	1,990
Citations	61	945	68	1,174
Motions	83	1,809	111	2,348
Writ of Possessions	17	1,014	14	927
TOTALS	2,303	34,718	2,941	42,079

The costs involved in the service of all civil court papers include \$24,294 for the actual service and \$41,401 for mileage. These fees are charged to the defendant and/or parties involved in the civil litigations. When court costs are paid, the courts reimburse our office for some of those costs.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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The Wayne County Department of Job & Family Services Benefit Recovery Unit has utilized full-time deputy Thomas Holmes from the Wayne County Sheriff's Office since 2011 to provide the agency with law enforcement and investigative services and assists Adult Protective Services with home visits. By assisting with investigations, this allows the agency to recoup tax dollars that were fraudulently obtained or issued to assistance groups in error.



*Deputy Tom Holmes and
Director Richard A. Owens*

In 2016, Deputy Holmes expanded his role with Adult Protective Services and is now taking on a bigger part with investigating cases of suspected abuse and neglect of our elderly population in Wayne County.

In addition to the services listed above, Deputy Holmes assists in warrant checks, NCIC validations, and he is a liaison to other law enforcement agencies at varying levels.

For the year 2016, Deputy Holmes assisted the Benefit Recovery Unit with the following:

Activity	Year 2015	Year 2016
NCIC Hits	1163	1105
Criminal Cases	32	61
Civil Cases	10	6
Warrants Issued	1113	1063
Warrant Arrests	3	0
Assist Adult Protective Services	80	65
Home Visits (approximately)	378	362
Collected Amount	\$231,679	\$203,913

CORRECTIONS

Captain James Richards

Lieutenant Michael Butler

Sergeants Ada Franks
Ronald Fletcher
Jeffrey Geib
Earl Kelly
Matthew Morris
Michael Smucker

Deputies Brent Bernhart
William Bobbitt (PT)
Richard Bolick
Terry Chellis (PT)
Elizabeth Ferguson
Doug Griffith
Jason Hammitt
James Harkness
Chad Hooser
Rusty Knopp
Karen Long

Adam Manges
Greg Odenkirk
Mark Porter
Teresa Saurer
Kongkham Sibounheuang
Bobbi Taschwer
Charles Waligura
Diana Wentworth
Jason Whitman

**Corrections
Officers** Elyse Brown
Robert Foster
Jordan Hershman
Justin Huber
Nathan Koch
Hunter Meadows

Sara Neavill
Brant Schafer
Payton Schafer
Mackenzie Sheppard
Nathan Smith
Kyle Strock

Nurses Beth Gift
Holly Eyster

Jail Secretary Jennifer Reynolds

Jail Chaplain Rev. Philip Klinefelter



Captain James Richards



Lieutenant Michael Butler



Sergeant Ronald Fletcher



Sergeant Ada Franks



Sergeant Jeff Geib



Sergeant Earl Kelly



Sergeant Matthew Morris



Sergeant Michael Smucker



Brent Bernhart



William Bobbitt



Richard Bolick



Elyse Brown



Terry Chellis



Elizabeth Ferguson



Robert Foster



Doug Griffith



Jason Hammitt



James Harkness



Jordan Hershman



Chad Hooser



Justin Huber



Rusty Knopp



Karen Long



Adam Manges



Hunter Meadows



Sara Neavill



Gregory Odenkirk



Mark Porter



Teresa Saurer



Kongkham Sibounheuang



Nathan Smith



Bobbi Taschwer



Charles Waligura



Diana Wentworth



Jason Whitman



Beth Gift



Jennifer Reynolds

Not pictured:

- Nathan Koch
- Brant Schafer
- Payton Schafer
- Mackenzie Sheppard
- Kyle Strock
- Holly Eyster
- Phil Klinefelter

CORRECTIONS DIVISION

OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Deputy Rusty Knopp was named the Corrections Division Officer of the Year for 2016.

Deputy Knopp began his career with the Sheriff's Office as a Reserve deputy in November 2005 and became a full-time deputy in the Corrections Division in 2006. He has training in operating the BAC Datamaster machine, human trafficking, firearm qualification, and use of force.

Deputy Knopp was selected for this award based on many criteria, but his main attributes are his dependability, positive attitude, and reliability. He has served as Officer in Charge on several occasions and is always willing to help. Deputy Knopp is a leader to younger staff and they respect him as a leader. During times when there were scheduling issues in the jail, Deputy Knopp worked all weekends to help with these conflicts.

As a valuable member of the community, Deputy Knopp also participates in a variety of volunteer work, including Habitat for Humanity. He is respected by his supervisors, co-workers, inmates, and members of the community.

Inmate Statistics

Inmates in Jail

	Number of Inmates in Jail	Number Released	Average Stay (in days)
Males	2149	2033	17
Females	747	720	12
Other	20	20	--
Totals	2916	2773	--



Corrections Officer Justin Huber books in an inmate.

Charges

	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Other	Alcohol Related
Males	786	1352	11	325
Females	280	465	2	85
Other	5	15	0	0
Totals	1071	1832	13	410

Jail Time By Age

AGE RANGE	NUMBER OF INMATES BOOKED	CHARGED WITH A MISDEMEANOR	CHARGED WITH A FELONY	UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL
UNDER 18	0	0	0	0
18-20	218	161	55	25
21-25	549	323	222	54
26-30	505	296	208	59
31-35	536	325	209	62
36-40	380	232	147	62
41-45	292	200	91	45
46-50	190	121	68	41
51-55	115	81	33	36
56-60	77	53	24	16
61-65	31	26	5	11
66-70	12	6	6	3
70 +	11	8	3	0
TOTALS	2,916	1,832	1,071	414

BAC Datamaster

The Wayne County Sheriff's Office presently has four deputies trained to administer tests using the BAC Datamaster (breathalyzer). The following is a breakdown of tests administered and refused during 2016.

	Administered	Refused
Wayne County Sheriff's Office	12	1
Wooster Police Department	58	0
Ohio State Highway Patrol	10	3
Smithville Police Department	1	0
TOTALS	81	4

JAIL FOOD REPORT

The cost to feed the inmates at the Wayne County Jail for 2016 ranged from \$1.68 per meal for three meals a day to \$1.87 per meal for three meals a day. This is an average of \$1.78 per meal.

Month	Meals Served	Cost Per Meal	Cost Per Day	Monthly Cost
January	10,836	\$1.73	\$605.92	\$18,783.60
February	10,561	\$1.68	\$613.45	\$17,790.18
March	11,192	\$1.71	\$618.79	\$19,182.52
April	10,977	\$1.69	\$618.99	\$18,569.74
May	10,622	\$1.79	\$611.85	\$18,967.41
June	10,338	\$1.76	\$607.50	\$18,224.94
July	9,795	\$1.87	\$590.96	\$18,319.85
August	10,610	\$1.78	\$609.70	\$18,900.75
September	10,328	\$1.79	\$616.67	\$18,499.96
October	10,018	\$1.82	\$589.71	\$18,281.14
November	10,063	\$1.84	\$618.75	\$18,562.42
December	10,526	\$1.82	\$618.70	\$19,179.65
AVERAGE		\$1.78	\$608.36	\$18,552.01
TOTALS	125,866			\$223,262.16

COST/FOOD COMPARISON

Year	# Meals	Food/Labor Costs	Average Cost/Meal
2015	119,633	\$215,682	\$1.80
2016	125,866	\$223,262	\$1.78

We continue to contract with Canteen Correctional Services Division, which is a branch of Compass Group USA, Inc. Their responsibility is to provide meals – breakfast, lunch, and dinner – for the inmates at the Wayne County Jail. The Sheriff’s Office’s responsibility is to provide an adequate kitchen, equipment in the kitchen, and trustees to help. We have two cooks who were hired through Canteen Correctional Services – Gloria Miller, the food service manager, and William Basinger.

Jail Statistics

Trusty Program

Females	12
Males	58
Total workers	70
Total days	4,157
Total hours	33,256

Ministries

Family Counseling	Baptisms
25	0

Work Release Program

Wooster Municipal Court	22
Common Pleas Court	3
Total Workers in the Work Release Program	25

GED

Males	Females
5	2

Holds for I.C.E.

Males	Females
1	0



There were many changes made to the Wayne County Sheriff's Office's Mental Health Services in 2016.

We have contracted with OneEighty to provide Mental Health/Addiction Services to inmates at the Wayne County Jail. Piper Davidson, who is employed by OneEighty, provides these services. When an inmate comes to the jail, Ms. Davidson will assess them for mental health or addiction issues. Ms. Davidson also provides ongoing counseling for the inmates.

The following services were offered to inmates at the Wayne County Jail in 2016:

- AA
- Re-Entry Program
- Chemical Addiction/Dependency, Education and Therapy (CADET)
- Substance Abuse Education (SAE)
- General Educational Development (GED)

All inmates housed in the facility are eligible for mental health services. They may be referred by jail staff, medical staff, or by personal request. Mental health emergencies are handled by the Crisis Team at the Counseling Center of Wayne and Holmes Counties at no cost to the jail.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meetings are offered to those who are actively working towards sobriety. It is facilitated by AA members from the community.

Re-Entry Class - "Failing to prepare is preparing to fail." - This class helps individuals with needs and wants to be successful and not return to jail. It helps individuals with the transition from jail back to the community.

Substance Abuse Education (SAE) is provided by OneEighty and is an educational program about alcohol and other drugs as they affect individuals and families. It focuses on negative effects of alcohol and drugs; denial management; and substance abuse management.

Chemical Addiction, Education and Therapy (CADET) is an intensive chemical dependency treatment program focused on awareness and recovery. It involves classroom instruction, group discussion, and lecture and therapeutic intervention.

General Educational Development (GED) class is for those who are interested in obtaining a high school equivalency diploma or those inmates who have a high school diploma, but want to work on their skills for possible employment.

Courthouse Security

The Wayne County Courthouse security falls under the responsibility of the Corrections Division of the Sheriff's Office. Deputy Greg Odenkirk was again assigned to this position in 2016 and the second position was filled on a rotating basis with deputies from the Wayne County Jail.

The officers presently utilize a walk-through metal detector and a digital security camera system to monitor activity in the Courthouse. One deputy operates the security desk, manning the walk-through metal detector and monitoring the security camera system. There were 64,658 visitors to the Wayne County Courthouse in 2016. The second deputy assists in seven courtrooms. The deputies also assist Juvenile Probation, Adult Probation, Probate Court, Clerk of Courts, and 3rd floor Mediations. The total courtroom assists in 2016 was 1,109. This is the number of times a deputy must be present in the courtroom.

In 2016, the following items were taken from visitors for safekeeping while at the Courthouse for business:

CONFISCATED ITEMS	NUMBER CONFISCATED
Knives	20
Chemical agents	10
Miscellaneous (razors, scrapers, box cutters, scissors, multi-tools, etc.)	22
TOTAL	52

The number of contraband items taken was low this year mainly due to the officers insisting that the items be returned to a person's vehicle and only accepting items that were voluntarily surrendered for disposal. All items were turned over to the Sheriff's business office for proper disposal.

The Courthouse officers took 79 persons into custody through warrant arrests or other circumstances, as well as made 6 incident reports for violations that occurred.

Prisoner Transports

Deputy Mark Porter, along with Deputy Terry Chellis and Deputy Bill Bobbitt, who work part-time, continued to do prisoner transports. They transported prisoners from our jail to court hearings and to other correctional facilities, as well as picked up prisoners at other facilities to bring back to Wayne County for hearings and/or service of their time in the Wayne County Jail. During 2016, court security officers handled 222 of those transports for the Common Pleas and Juvenile Courts.

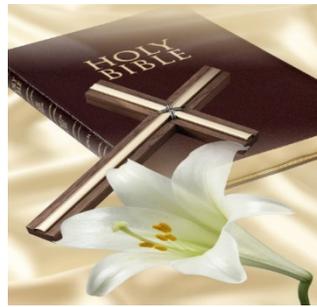
<i>Taken to</i>	
Common Pleas Court	552
Another county	118
Another state	0
Juvenile Court	86
Prison	231
Wooster Municipal Court	658
Medical/Mental Health	150
<i>Picked up from</i>	
Another county	168
Another state	1
TOTAL TRANSPORTS	1,964



Deputy Mark Porter and Deputy Bill Bobbitt perform prisoner transports to and from the Wayne County Jail.

Jail Ministry Program

As I look back on 2016, it was a year of transition for the chaplain program at the Wayne County Jail. Between some surgical procedures for cysts on his elbow to some lingering effects of colds and the flu, Reverend Lee Anderson was unable to minister to his desire this past year. As I had been serving as his assistant over the past several years, I was glad to fill in as needed. As the summer progressed, it became more apparent that Reverend Anderson was looking forward to a retirement party that was held in his honor the first week of September. The attendance of the county commissioners and their proclamation of his many years of faithful service was a fitting tribute to more than 40 years as chaplain. Past and present judges, current and retired sheriff's office and Justice Center employees, as well as many family and church friends, contributed to a special day for him. A heartfelt thank you to all those who helped make his day extra special.



The Wayne County Jail has a chaplaincy ministry that is now overseen by Chaplain Phil Klinefelter and covers many different areas in the jail and community. This ministry coordinates all the religious services within the jail, handles all indigent supplies for the inmates, sets up Bible studies, provides spiritual guidance to the inmates, and acts as a go-between with the inmates and their families, friends, churches, community services, courts, and other functions. The Chaplain's position is funded by the Wayne United Chaplain Ministries with funding coming from private citizens, many area churches, and the Wayne County Sheriff's Office.

There are currently a number of churches that participate in our Sunday morning services: First Apostolic Faith Church, Parkview Church of Christ, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church (my home church), and Orrville Baptist Church. St. Mary's Catholic Church comes on the fourth Sunday of the month for an evening service.

The women's Bible study group, under the banner of J.C. Jewels, leads sessions three times a week for the women inmates in the morning and evening. They represent another large group of county churches, as well. Many of these same churches have partnered with me to provide Bibles, devotional materials, inspirational books, puzzles, games, and undergarments. Several others made Christmas brighter for the inmates by supplying cards, envelopes, and stamps they could mail to loved ones. They also brought in cards with encouraging messages for the inmates themselves.

One of my goals is to attempt to connect with an inmate as soon as possible to give them the opportunity to talk through some of their frustrations and perhaps give them some direction if this is their first time in jail. I also desire to keep them connected to their family, if it's a healthy connection, by providing family and marriage counseling. Helping inmates contact local pastors on their behalf can also be beneficial.

~Chaplain Phil Klinefelter

<i>Preachings</i>	<i>2015</i>
Local Churches	8
Prisons	10

<i>Meetings/Seminars Attended</i>	<i>2015</i>
Ohio District Council	5
Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association	3
Chaplains' Meeting	4
Sheriff's Chaplaincy Conference-3 day	1

<i>3 Special Services and 46 Worship Services were Conducted by the Following Churches and Chaplain Lee Anderson</i>	
Orrville Baptist Church	Grace Brethren Church
Parkview Church of Christ	A Host of Preachers and Evangelists
St. Mary's Catholic Church	First Apostolic Faith Church

The Wayne County Sheriff's Office would like to offer special thanks to these people and churches who have done so much to help our inmates and their families.

*Members of the Wayne United Chaplain Ministries
Jail Chaplaincy Task Force Committee*

Captain Jammie Richards	Betty Smith
Russell Yoder	Betty Alysworth
Amelia Holm	Dr. Donald Beane
Chaplain Lee Anderson	Dave Munn
Loretta Baur	



LAW ENFORCEMENT

Captain Douglas Hunter

Lieutenant Ryan Koster

Sergeants Alex Abel
Paul Brumme
Joseph Copenhaver
Charles Ellis
Eric Peters

Deputies Daniel Broome
Steve Browning
Joshua Brownson (PT)
Adam Bupp
Michael Burkey
Adam Chellis
Robert Ecker
Matthew Gajda
Paul Gramlich
Steven Hunter
Jodi Kauffman
Keith Lenthe
Matthew Little
Kirk Shelly
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Joseph Wisard

LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Sergeant Charles Ellis was named the Law Enforcement Division Officer of the Year for 2016. He was selected for this award by his supervisors.

Sergeant Ellis began his career as a police officer in the village of Shreve. He then joined Medway Drug Enforcement Agency in 1999 and served as an agent until 2008. Sergeant Ellis also worked at the Summit County Prosecutor's Office until March 2010 when he became the Chief of Police in Smithville. Sergeant Ellis began his career with the Sheriff's Office as a patrol deputy in July 2014 and was promoted to sergeant in January 2016.

Sergeant Ellis is trained in marijuana testing, use of force, companion animal encounters, LEADS testing, and community relations, among many other law enforcement areas.

In order to be selected for Officer of the Year, deputies are ranked monthly in the following areas: defendants charged, overall calls for service, traffic stops, warrant arrests, and accident reports. Sergeant Ellis had been selected as Officer of the Month seven times throughout 2016. He was also selected as Officer of the Year for 2015 and continues to instill his work ethic in deputies that he leads daily.

K-9 Report



K-9 Pseudo is an all-black three year old pure German shepherd. He was bred from a German working line in the United States through Whited K-9 Services.

Pseudo and his handler, Deputy Paul Gramlich, began working and training together in November 2013 when Pseudo was eight weeks old. They trained daily for the next year in obedience, narcotic detection, tracking, area searches, building searches, article searches, and suspect apprehension.

In November 2014, at one year old, Pseudo received his first two State certifications for Patrol Work in criminal apprehension, canine control, canine searches; and Special Purpose Work in tracking, article searches, and narcotics. Four months later, Pseudo received his first national certification.

Before coming to the Wayne County Sheriff's Office, Pseudo served as one of four K-9's at the Brimfield Police Department. During his first year, Pseudo performed more than 60 calls for service and was responsible for more than a dozen drug charges, the majority of which were felonies.



K-9 Pseudo began working the road with the Wayne County Sheriff's Office in August 2016. He has participated in three community events, three school events, and two school sniffs. Over those few months, Pseudo has performed in 48 calls for service, 27 uses by the Sheriff's Office and 21 uses by other agencies. Thirty-four of those calls were narcotic sniffs of vehicles. Twenty-one of them led to drug finds and paraphernalia was discovered in ten of those calls. These resulted in seven felony drug charges, one misdemeanor drug charge, and one weapons charge for the Sheriff's Office. Seven were potential felony drug charges and two potential misdemeanor drug charges for other agencies.

Also included in the 48 calls for service, Pseudo participated in five article searches, which led to two recovered stolen items from a felony aggravated burglary and two recovered drug items from a tampering with evidence case for the Sheriff's Office, as well as one recovered firearm from a felony theft case from another agency.

Finally, Pseudo participated in one area search for the Wayne County Sheriff's Office and one building search for another agency. Deputy Gramlich and K-9 Pseudo were also requested to attempt several tracks, however, none resulted in apprehensions.



Pseudo and Deputy Gramlich train on a near-daily basis with state certified trainers John and Zack Nussbaum of O.G. Ohio Hundesport. When possible, they attend training with other law enforcement agencies and are scheduled for K-9 evaluations in South Euclid sometime in 2017.

DOG WARDEN

In December 2014, Deputy Adam Chellis began duties as the dog warden for Wayne County as that position had become more of a law enforcement issue.

In August 2015, the Wayne County Commissioners purchased property in Wayne Township that had been used as a kennel, and it was transformed into the new Wayne County Dog Shelter. Katelyn Lehman was hired as the director in September 2015. By November, the shelter was up and running with dogs being accepted.

Deputy Chellis has been very active while enforcing all of the animal related laws mandated in Ohio. Below are some of the activities that he and other deputies have performed during 2016.

Short Incident Reports - 338
Criminal Reports - 74
Minor Misdemeanor Citations -- 63

The following charges were forwarded to the Wayne County Municipal Prosecutor's Office during the year as well:

Failure to Confine - 42
Failure to Register - 26
Dangerous Dog/Roaming - 12
Cruelty to Animals - 2
Prohibitions Concerning Companion Animals - 2
Dog Bite - 3
Animals Running at Large - 3
Failure to Display Dog Tags - 1



Crime Comparison

	2015	2016	Increase/Decrease
Calls for Service	13,125	13,828	5% increase
Total Crimes	2,862	2,880	.6% increase
Cleared Crimes	1,477	1,243	16% decrease
Cleared Crime Rate	48%	57%	



Crime	2015	2016	Increase/Decrease
Homicide	1	1	----
Rape	32	18	44% decrease
Robbery	5	3	40% decrease
Burglary/B&E	237	213	10% decrease
Larceny	618	500	19% decrease
Vandalism	270	254	6% decrease
Drug Investigation	242	378	36% increase

Crime Percentage by Township

Township	2015 Calls Received		2016 Calls Received	
	Baughman	149	5%	155
Canaan	195	7%	137	5%
Chester	131	5%	85	3%
Chippewa	363	13%	419	15%
Clinton	79	3%	61	2%
Congress	181	6%	185	6%
East Union	324	11%	335	12%
Franklin	92	3%	114	4%
Green	176	6%	192	7%
Killbuck	120	4%	135	5%
Milton	140	5%	178	6%
Paint	42	1%	57	2%
Plain	102	4%	97	3%
Salt Creek	67	2%	71	3%
Sugar Creek	116	4%	127	4%
Wayne	164	6%	118	4%
Wooster	421	15%	404	14%
TOTALS	2,862		2,880	

Classification of Offenses

In 2016, the Wayne County Sheriff's Office received 13,828 calls for service compared to 13,125 calls for service in 2015. Calls for service include all calls received through Dispatch that require a response by an officer. The following is a breakdown of actual written complaint reports for 2015 and 2016. As you can see, only about 22% of calls received in 2015 and 21% in 2016 actually required a complaint report to be initiated.

OFFENSES	AMOUNT 2015	AMOUNT 2016
Agg. Murder/Murder/Involuntary Manslaughter	1	1
Rape	32	18
Robbery	5	3
Kidnap/Abduction/Unlawful Rest/Child Ent/Extortion	5	10
Aggravated Assault	7	3
Burglary	135	104
Breaking and Entering	102	109
Larceny	618	500
Theft - Vehicle	10	6
Assault	112	102
Aggravated Menacing/Menacing/Stalking	43	62
Arson	5	0
Forgery/Counterfeiting	13	19
Bad Checks/Fraud	14	11
Receiving Stolen Property	38	29
Vandalism/Criminal Damage	270	254
Weapons Violations	20	28
Sex Offenses	51	75
Drug Violations	242	378
Dom. Viol./Custody Interference/Violation CPO	129	133
Liquor Laws	33	55
Disorderly Cond./Resisting/Obstructing/Harass.	176	225
Juveniles - Unruly/Runaway/Contributing	44	68
Criminal Trespassing	107	109
Safecracking/Tampering with Coin Machine	1	3
Misuse Credit Card/Identity Theft	74	65
Telephone Harassment/False Alarms	8	18
Endangering Children	34	33
Disrupting Public Service	7	2
Falsification	7	3
Escape/Failure to Comply w/Order of Officer	10	8
Sex Offender Violations	10	5
Complicity/Conspiracy	7	5
Animal Complaints	173	112
Littering	14	12
Sudden Death/ Attempted Suicide/Suicide Threats	99	141
Miscellaneous Offenses/Incidents	206	171
TOTAL	2,862	2,880

Top Headlines

Body found after fire

Firefighters and deputies from the Wayne County Sheriff's Office responded to a fire that claimed the life of a man in Sugar Creek Township. Once the fire was under control, firefighters found the man's body in the living room. Identification was difficult to make without forensic analysis. The death was later ruled a suicide.

Man indicted in OD death

A Sterling man was charged with involuntary manslaughter and corrupting another with drugs for providing a pregnant woman with heroin, who later died shortly after giving birth. The child died sometime after it was born.

Finn admits to murder



Larry Caspyr-James Finn plead guilty to murdering Michael Amstutz in August, 2015. He was later sentenced 15 years to life in prison.

Shreve man arrested for meth



A search warrant led to the arrest of a Shreve man and the discovery of a meth operation and a large amount of stolen goods. The stolen items were

found to have been taken from Wayne and Holmes Counties, as well as adjacent counties. Charges are pending.

Time capsule uncovered

A time capsule from October 9, 1978 was discovered by accident at the northeast corner of the Wayne County Courthouse during renovations. The commissioners and other county officials later opened the capsule to reveal a hundred years of Wayne County history.



Joey & James



Thirteen year old Joey Leininger was diagnosed with a rare form of liver cancer and between chemotherapy treatments and doctors' appointments, Joey's story came to the Wayne County Sheriff's Office's attention. Thanks to Captain Hunter's Daily Update videos, Joey's dream of meeting LeBron James came true. Not only did Joey get to meet LeBron, but he was also given the jersey he wore for that game.



72-Year old arrested for cocaine



A 72 year old man from Wooster was arrested during a search warrant execution. Numerous items were located including a digital scale, some white powder, a hookah pipe, and a spoon with white residue. The larger bag of powder was found to contain 29.2 grams of cocaine, which has a street value of approximately \$3,000. The Wayne County Sheriff's Office and Medway DEA continue to crack down on the rising drug problem in Wayne County. The man was later charged with felony possession of drugs.

Showing support for local officers



In the wake of the deadly police shooting in Dallas, Matt Klein and William Fuqua show their support for local law enforcement officers by waving a thin blue line American flag in front of the Wayne County Justice Center. Many officers greeted the men as they entered the building and passersby acknowledged their support.

Break-in may be start of trend

A veterinary clinic in Kidron was broken into in July 2016 and thousands of pills were found to have been stolen, including Fentanyl, Phenobarbital, and

Tramadol. Officials are concerned about the stronger opiates of carfentanyl and norfentanyl that are making their way to the street. Carfentanyl is a highly toxic drug that is used as an elephant tranquilizer and is thousands of times more powerful than morphine. Carfentanyl has been found to be linked to several heroin overdoses throughout the state in the last several months.

Getting 'ruff' on crime



In August 2016, a new K-9 joined the Wayne County Sheriff's Office. Pseudo (short for Pseudoephedrine) is a three year old German Shepherd. He can

alert to narcotics, as well as perform tracks if needed. His handler, Deputy Gramlich, joined the department in December 2015, but it took some time to get funding for the new K-9 vehicle.

Book recounts murder

True crime author Gregg Olsen recently published a book about a murder in Wayne County entitled "A Killing in Amish Country". The book recounts the details of Eli Weaver plotting to have his wife murdered in their home while he was on a fishing trip. Weaver convinced his girlfriend, Barb Raber, to commit the act and they were both found guilty in 2010.

Urconis found guilty

A Holmesville man was found guilty and sentenced to 13 years in prison

for aggravated robbery, kidnapping, abduction, and having weapons under disability. Lewis Urconis had allegedly abducted his estranged wife at gunpoint and forced her to drive him around to pick up money. Urconis was allegedly under the influence of drugs at the time.

Man gets sexual battery charge



A man from Apple Creek was charged for allegedly admitting to getting his stepdaughter pregnant. Levi Yoder was charged with felony sexual battery when a 15 year old girl reported that she was pregnant and Yoder was the father of the child. The incident allegedly occurred when the

girl was having a psychotic episode and Yoder took advantage of her. The case was still pending at the end of the year.

Helping find forever homes



The Wayne County Dog Shelter and Adoption Center helps lost dogs reunite with their families or find new homes for abandoned dogs. The shelter opened in 2015 and has 50 kennels available to care for any dog that has been found running loose in the county or dogs that have been picked up in cruelty cases. When a dog is brought in, it is checked for tags or microchips and is then weighed, vaccinated, dewormed, and treated for fleas. If a dog is found

loose, the Dog Warden can be called to pick it up or it can be brought to the shelter.

Shop with a Hero brings smiles



For the past two years, Deputy Adam Chellis, president of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), has organized Shop with a Hero program for area children. For one day in December, children get to spend the day riding in firetrucks and police cruisers to Walmart to participate in a shopping spree. This year there were 101 kids and 100 heroes who participated. Each child was given \$100 and was paired with a hero, who then took the child shopping for presents for their

family. The children and heroes then wrapped the presents to give their families for Christmas.

Zook pleads guilty to abusing daughters

A Dalton man admitted to 12 counts of sexual battery for sexually assaulting six of his daughters. The girls ranged in age from 13 to 20 years old. The case was still pending at the end of the year.



Special Response Team (SRT)

In January 2015, the Sheriff's Office began a new program called the Special Response Team (SRT). This designated group of law enforcement officers is much like a typical SWAT team. However, these individuals were selected, trained, and equipped to work as a coordinated team to resolve critical incidents that are so hazardous, complex, or unusual that they may exceed the capabilities of first responders or investigative units. The primary characteristic of SRT teams that distinguishes them from other similar teams is the focus of effort. The Sheriff's Office SRT team is focused on tactical resolutions, as opposed to other functions, such as investigation; therefore, the responsibility to ensure the proper deployment and a professional, effective, and efficient response rests with the Team Leader.



The Special Response Team is a “life saving” resource. The team is used for specific incidents that are beyond the normal capabilities of patrol officers. These incidents may include, but are not limited to: barricaded suspect situations with/without hostages, high-risk warrant service (search and arrest), selective enforcement, and dignitary protection.

The team is made up of members with various responsibilities. The SRT team is composed of a Team Leader, an Assistant Team Leader, additional entry team members as needed, precision marksman/observer members, and containment/chemical agent members. All members of the Sheriff's Office SRT team attended a 40 hour basic SWAT school where they learned the history and development of SWAT teams and the use of special weapons and tactics to



ensure public safety. Other training includes 50 hours of departmental scenario-based training every year from their Team Leader and instructors; over 20 hours of individualized training for special skills within the team; and special team detachments, such as Scout Snipers, Negotiators, Breachers, Team Leaders, and Special Munitions receive skill set specific training. The team is subject to being on-call 24/7.

Each member of the SRT must carry his own equipment. This can weigh 70-78 pounds. This does not include the weight of his weapon/s and/or specialized tools needed to perform a given task.

The following are some incidents that occurred involving the SRT team in 2016:

February:

A search warrant was executed at a residence in Congress Township. The objective was to secure the property and render it safe for processing and collection of possible stolen items from various adjacent counties. The objective was completed as stolen property, suspects, and other illegal activities were discovered, confiscated, and taken into custody.

March:

Another search warrant was executed at a residence in Wooster. The objective was to secure the residence and secure what was believed to be a meth lab and/or multiple meth labs. The subject had outstanding felony warrants for his arrest out of Holmes County. He was believed to have been trafficking in meth from this location. The subject was taken into custody and the search warrant resulted in the discovery of an extremely large amount of meth and recovered stolen property.

The SRT team executed a second search warrant at a residence in Wooster. The objective was to secure the property and targets and attempt to locate a suspected meth lab/s believed to be on the property. The subject was taken into custody and several meth labs were located.

May:

An additional search warrant was executed at a residence in the Orrville area. The objective was to secure the residence and render it safe for searching. Along with materials and components associated with a meth lab, drugs, as well as the suspect, were all located on site.

June:

The SRT team executed a search warrant at a residence in Wooster for a meth lab/s. The objective was to secure the residence and the occupants inside. This objective was completed, and as a result, three arrests were made, along with the discovery of an extremely large amount of meth lab materials and products.

August:

A further search warrant was executed at an apartment in Wooster. The objective for this search warrant was to secure the apartment and render it safe for a search by Medway DEA. The location was to have several suspects inside, including large amounts of heroin and fentanyl. The objective was completed and three individuals were arrested. In addition, large amounts of drugs, paraphernalia, and currency were confiscated.

In addition to several search warrant executions, the team participated in 12 days of training throughout the year.



Property

MONTH	STOLEN	DAMAGED	RECOVERED
January	\$27,445	\$10,990	\$13,755
February	\$117,227	\$4,494	\$14,850
March	\$84,320	\$28,943	\$16,489
April	\$110,096	\$25,143	\$32,370
May	\$65,949	\$8,117	\$6,886
June	\$49,704	\$5,745	\$13,400
July	\$58,007	\$5,150	\$1,705
August	\$50,132	\$6,320	\$14,466
September	\$61,129	\$14,210	\$8,220
October	\$55,901	\$6,626	\$3,951
November	\$82,675	\$2,250	\$59,620
December	\$45,310	\$8,722	\$1,278
TOTALS	\$807,895	\$127,013	\$186,990

YEAR	COMPARISON TOTAL STOLEN	COMPARISON TOTAL DAMAGED	COMPARISON TOTAL RECOVERED
2015	\$1,179,255	\$136,003	\$584,568
2016	\$807,895	\$127,013	\$186,990
INCREASE/DECREASE	31% decrease	7% decrease	68% decrease

Traffic Citations

TRAFFIC VIOLATION	2015	2016
Assured Clear Distance	9	5
Driving on Closed Road	0	16
Driving Under Suspension	167	246
Driving Under the Influence/BAC	72	58
Driving Wrong Way on One Way Street	0	1
Failure to Control	33	22
Failure to Have Child in Safety Seat	1	6
Failure to Stay in Marked Lanes	8	13
Failure to Yield/Traffic Control Device	100	73
Failure to Yield to Public Safety Vehicle	5	0
Farm Machinery Violation	0	1
Following Too Close	0	1
Gross Overload	0	3
Headlight Violation	4	5
Hit Skip	1	2
Illegally Crossing a Divided Highway	0	1
Improper Display of Plates	4	8
Improper Passing	5	3
Improper Starting/Backing	2	2
Improper Turning	1	8
Insecure Load	1	3
Left of Center	0	5
Motorcycle/Snowmobile Laws	0	2
Non-transparent Material on Window	0	1
No Taillights/License Plate Light	3	7
Operating MV without a Title	1	0
Operator's License Violation	42	52
Permit Violation	0	2
Railroad Track/Access Violation	1	0
Reckless Operation	14	13
Red Flag Required	0	1
Registration Violation	159	149
Seat Belt Violation	75	66
Speed	1,170	1,250
Texting While Driving	1	1
Unsafe Vehicle	0	3
Wrongful Entrustment	6	6
Totals	1,885	2,035

Chippewa Township

	2015	2016
Traffic Accidents	36	26
Traffic Citations	1,115	629
Traffic Warnings	451	379
Motorist Assists	62	39
Warrants Served	22	21
Offense Reports	221	239
Short Incident Reports	414	361
Security Checks	2,167	1,531
Minor Misdemeanor	74	53
Community Policing	658	442
Domestic Violence Calls	64	52



The Dodge Charger is utilized as the Chippewa Township cruiser.

SPECIALS/RESERVES

Lieutenants Rob Clason (Special)
John VanLanen (Special)

Sergeants Roger McGinnis (Special)
Brock Yoder (Special)

Reserves Herschel Bates
John Conlon
Ed Marshall
Michele Pratt-Koss
Kenneth VanSickle



Lieutenant Rob Clason (Special)



Lieutenant John VanLanen (Special)



Sergeant Roger McGinnis (Special)



Sergeant Brock Yoder (Special)



Ed Marshall (Special)



Herschel Bates (Reserve)



John Conlon (Reserve)



Michele Pratt-Koss
(Reserve)



Kenneth VanSickle
(Reserve)

Wayne County Sheriff's Specials and Reserves

With the transformation of the Reserve Unit last year, the unit is now made up of two groups - one being non-certified officers and the other certified Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy officers. Both of these groups of men and women have been instrumental and valuable in the furtherance of law enforcement in Wayne County for more than 40 years. This change was brought about to become compliant with the Ohio Revised Code, as well as follow other legal and liability issues that developed over the last few years.

Those non-certified individuals have remained a part of the Reserves and continue to complete functions that are directed by the Sheriff.

The OPOTA certified officers have become a part of the Sheriff's Office as Special Deputies. These individuals have the same powers and authority as a regular deputy, and are called upon to fulfill functions and obligations to assist the Sheriff's Office in various capacities.

As in the past, we continue to thank these officers who have been a part of the Wayne County Sheriff's Reserves and the Special Deputies. Their service to Wayne County has become invaluable over the last 41 years.

EXPLORERS

Leaders Chief Deputy Doug Johnson
 Captain Blaine Budd
 Deputy Adam Chellis
 Deputy Rob Ecker
 Deputy Karen Long

Explorers Morgan Airwyke
 Austin Arnholt
 Maria Chellis - President
 William Cottrell
 T.J. Cromer
 Jordynn Fazenbaker
 Kaitlyn Findley
 Levi Hogie
 Jordan Hoskins
 Derek Johnson - 2nd Vice President
 Timothy Johnson
 Chelsea Lyons
 Alex Perez
 Triston Riggelman
 Kagan Schafer - 1st Vice President
 Kyle Stauffer - Secretary
 Preston Yoder



Chief Deputy Doug Johnson



Captain Blaine Budd



Deputy Adam Chellis



Deputy Rob Ecker



Deputy Karen Long



Morgan Airwyke



Maria Chellis



Max Cottrell



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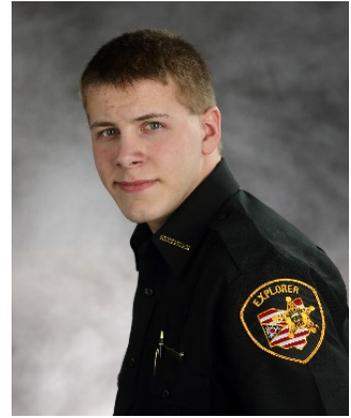
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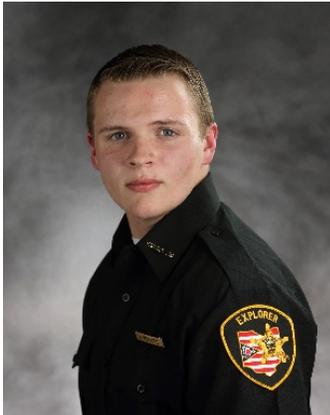
Tim Johnson



Alex Perez



Triston Riggelman



Kagan Schafer



Kyle Stauffer



Preston Yoder

Not Pictured:

Austin Arnholt
Jordynn Fazenbaker
Kaitlyn Findley
Jordan Hoskins
Chelsea Lyons

Law Enforcement Explorer Post #4085

MISSION STATEMENT

Law Enforcement Explorer Post 85 was first chartered in 2015. The purpose of Law Enforcement Exploring is to educate and involve youth in law enforcement operations in order to interest them in possible law enforcement/criminal justice careers. Through their involvement, youth in the Law Enforcement Explorer program develop an awareness of the complexities of public law enforcement service and learn valuable lessons about the criminal justice system, public service, citizenship, and volunteerism. This program provides Explorers with career opportunities, life skills, service learning, character education, and leadership experience.



HISTORY

The Law Enforcement Exploring program originated with special interest posts within the Exploring Division of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). There were Explorer Posts specializing in law enforcement as early as 1959.

In 1976, the Exploring Division of the BSA received a one (1) year grant from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) to enhance and promote Law Enforcement Exploring. This grant resulted in the creation of the National Law Enforcement Exploring Committee (NLEEC), promotional materials, a concentrated membership drive, and contact with a broad spectrum of criminal justice agencies to serve as sponsors for Law Enforcement Explorer Posts.



In 1998, Exploring became a component of the Learning for Life program, which was established in 1991 and is a school-based integrated academic and character education program.

PURPOSE

The Law Enforcement Explorer program will further the Explorer's education by providing a member with basic knowledge of law enforcement and the criminal justice system. Members must receive instruction in various phases of law enforcement, including criminal law, traffic law, investigative techniques, crime prevention, traffic control, accident investigation, court procedures, and other related fields which are an integral part of law enforcement.

GOALS

- To serve as a community relations effort between law enforcement and youth and between youth and the community
- To be utilized as a service group within the community
- Possible supplemental manpower
- To encourage Explorers' participation in a rewarding and productive service activity
- To enhance Explorers' preparation for future roles as citizens, community members, leaders, and future law enforcement and criminal justice careers

SPEAKERS



Throughout 2016, the Explorers held a meeting every third Thursday of the month. During these meetings, there were several speakers that gave presentations on various law enforcement-related topics. These speakers included: Medway, ODNR, BCI, the Marshall's Office, the Coroner, Parole/Probation, the K9 Unit, the National Guard, and Judge VanSickle.

ACTIVITIES

In addition to guest speakers, the Explorers participated in numerous tours and practical exercises during their meetings. These included: a mock trial, Fire Training Academy competition, a tour of OARDC, SWAT training, firearm training and firing

range, traffic control, stops and approaches, flag presentation, BSSA banquet, and the Wayne County Fair.

NEW EMPLOYEES

In 2016, two members of the Explorers program, Brant Schafer and Payton Schafer, were hired as Corrections Officers in the Wayne County Jail.

