

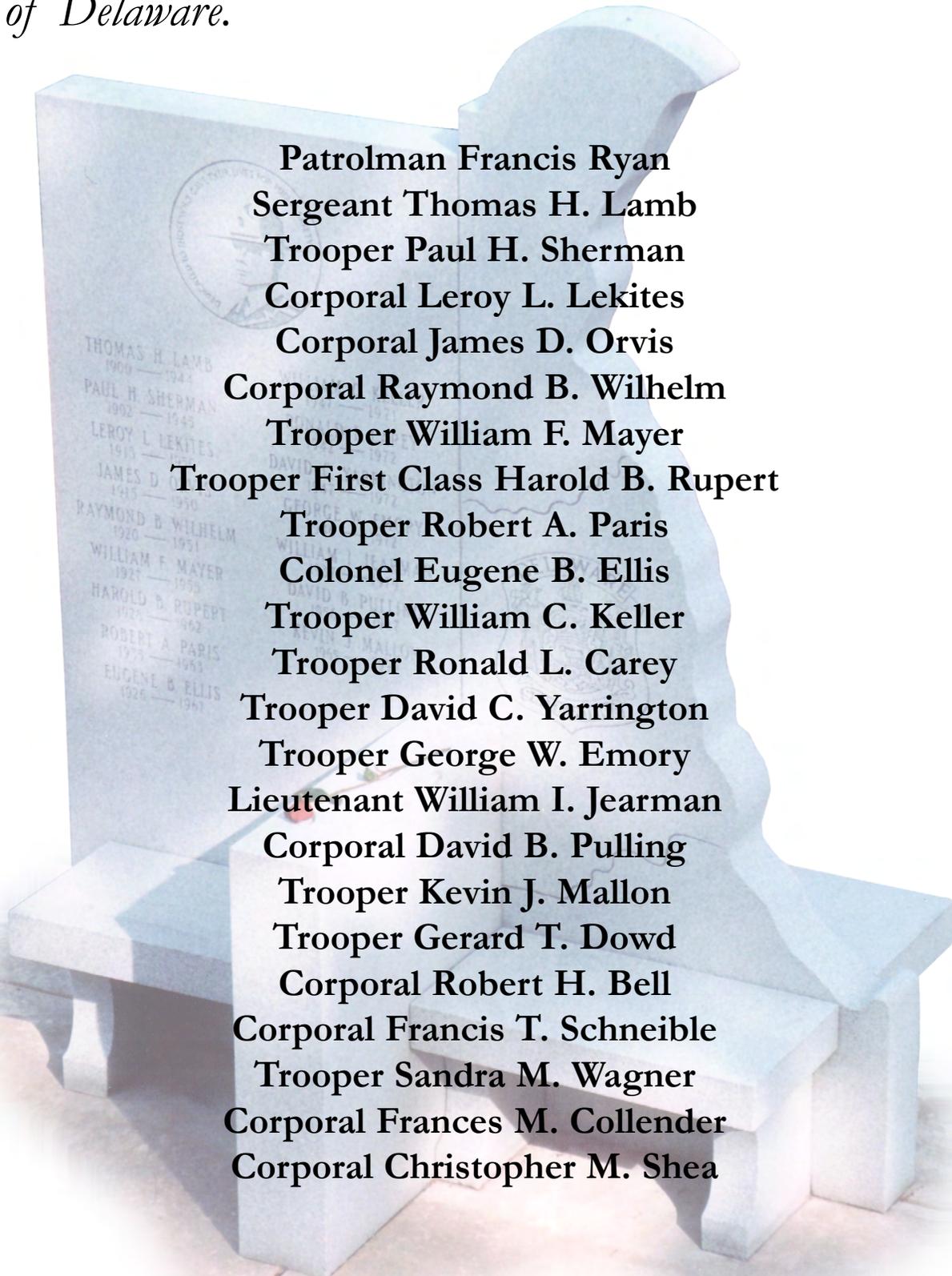


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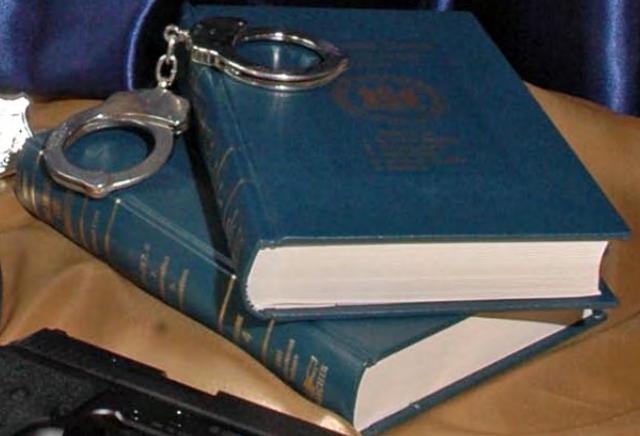
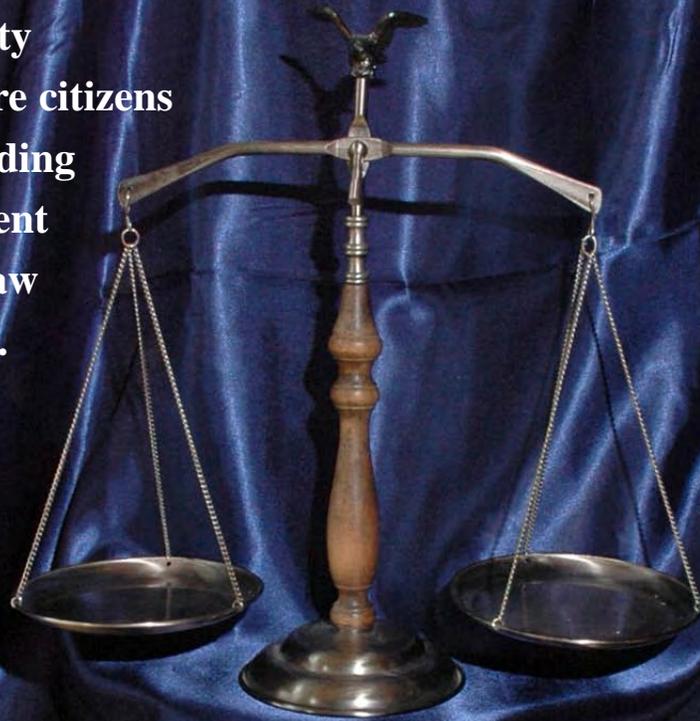
The 2010 Delaware State Police Annual Report is dedicated to the members of the Delaware State Police who have made the ultimate sacrifice while protecting the citizens and visitors of the State of Delaware.



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Mission Statement

To enhance the quality of life for all Delaware citizens and visitors by providing professional, competent and compassionate law enforcement services.



★ **HONOR** ★ **INTEGRITY** ★ **COURAGE** ★ **LOYALTY** ★
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Secretary

March 15, 2011

Please join me in extending sincere thanks and congratulations to the men and women of the Delaware State Police (DSP) for a year filled with many accomplishments and successes. I truly appreciate their dedication, hard work and commitment to fulfilling the mission of the Delaware State Police. I also extend a sincere thank you to Governor Jack Markell for his continuing support and unwavering commitment to public safety throughout the past year.

One of the most significant accomplishments of the past year is a direct result of the Division's ongoing commitment to public safety. In 2010, DSP saw a 9% reduction in violent crime within its jurisdiction. In addition, DSP saw a 3% reduction in forcible sex offense cases and fewer homicides. There were seven homicides this year as compared to 12 in 2009. DSP also solved 85% of the cases it investigated. In achieving a clearance rate well above the national average, DSP has excelled in solving crimes. DSP's thorough investigations and the subsequent arrests help keep our communities safe by getting violent offenders off the streets.

Last year DSP also focused on aggressive driving, excessive speeders, and impaired drivers partnering with the Office of Highway Safety to conduct more dedicated traffic enforcement initiatives. Through this partnership, Delaware reduced the total number of fatal crashes by nearly 10% and the total number of fatalities by 14%. It has been more than 30 years since Delaware has had fewer highway fatalities in one year.

In the past year, DSP provided critical resources to the Department's newly established Division of Gaming Enforcement. To assist with the investigation of criminal activity associated with the gaming industry in Delaware, eight DSP detectives were assigned to the Division. The detectives also assisted with numerous background checks required for new dealers, casino workers and vendors employed by the gaming industry. With the support of DSP, the Division continues working to ensure the integrity of gaming in our State.

These are just a few examples of the accomplishments of the Division. The attached report highlights many other success stories as the men and women of the Delaware State Police, both uniform and civilian, perform outstanding work every day. The team effort to make the operation run smoothly is worthy of special praise. I look forward to another year of success and commend the DSP team for its commitment to excellence.



Sincerely,

Lewis D. Schiliro, Secretary



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To My Fellow Delawareans,

As the Superintendent of the Delaware State Police, it is my pleasure to present the 2010 Delaware State Police Annual Report.

The Mission of the Delaware State Police is to enhance the quality of life for all Delaware citizens and visitors by providing professional, competent and compassionate law enforcement services. This report reflects the excellent work, dedication, and commitment of Delaware State Police employees, both sworn and civilian, to fulfill that mission.

In 2010, the Division reached several significant milestones. Delaware State Police history was made with the promotion of the first female Trooper to the rank of Major. This promotion, as well as numerous other key leadership advancements, strengthens the organizational structure with highly experienced, motivated leaders. Second, the Aviation Section celebrated the 40th anniversary of the Helicopter Program and the 25th anniversary of the Trooper-Medic Paramedic Program. The Division's fleet of helicopters continues to provide a vital life saving asset for the citizens of Delaware.

The Division also worked towards and attained its seventh CALEA Accreditation.

The Delaware State Police, along with all citizens of the State of Delaware, endured many challenges in 2010. The Delaware State Police continued to investigate a horrific abuse case attracting national attention involving a Delaware doctor who abused over 200 child victims. The Division remains committed to preventing such atrocities in the future, supporting the victims and their families, as well as providing necessary resources to see this case through prosecution.

In February, record amounts of snow covered the state with back-to-back blizzards. During these events, troopers spent hundreds of hours patrolling the highways, assisting motorists and conducting heroic rescues. I had the privilege of visiting many of our patrol troops during the storms where I witnessed the pride and spirit of cooperation shared between our Troopers, Delaware National Guard and DelDOT.

In this Annual Report many significant accomplishments are identified: Fatal crashes were reduced; new challenges in the gaming industry with the advent of table games expanded the role of the Division of Gaming Enforcement; drugs and seized assets were removed from our highways after significant traffic stops; criminal investigative units were responsible for conducting high profile cases which lead to the arrest of violent offenders.

I am confident that the men and women of the Delaware State Police are meeting the challenges they encounter in order to provide competent and professional law enforcement services. With the continued support of Governor Jack Markell, Secretary of the Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Lewis Schiliro, Members of the General Assembly and the Citizens we serve, the Delaware State Police will continue to meet future needs with innovative cost-effective strategies and new technology to combat crime and traffic issues across our state.

Sincerely,

Colonel Robert M. Coupe
Superintendent

Executive Staff



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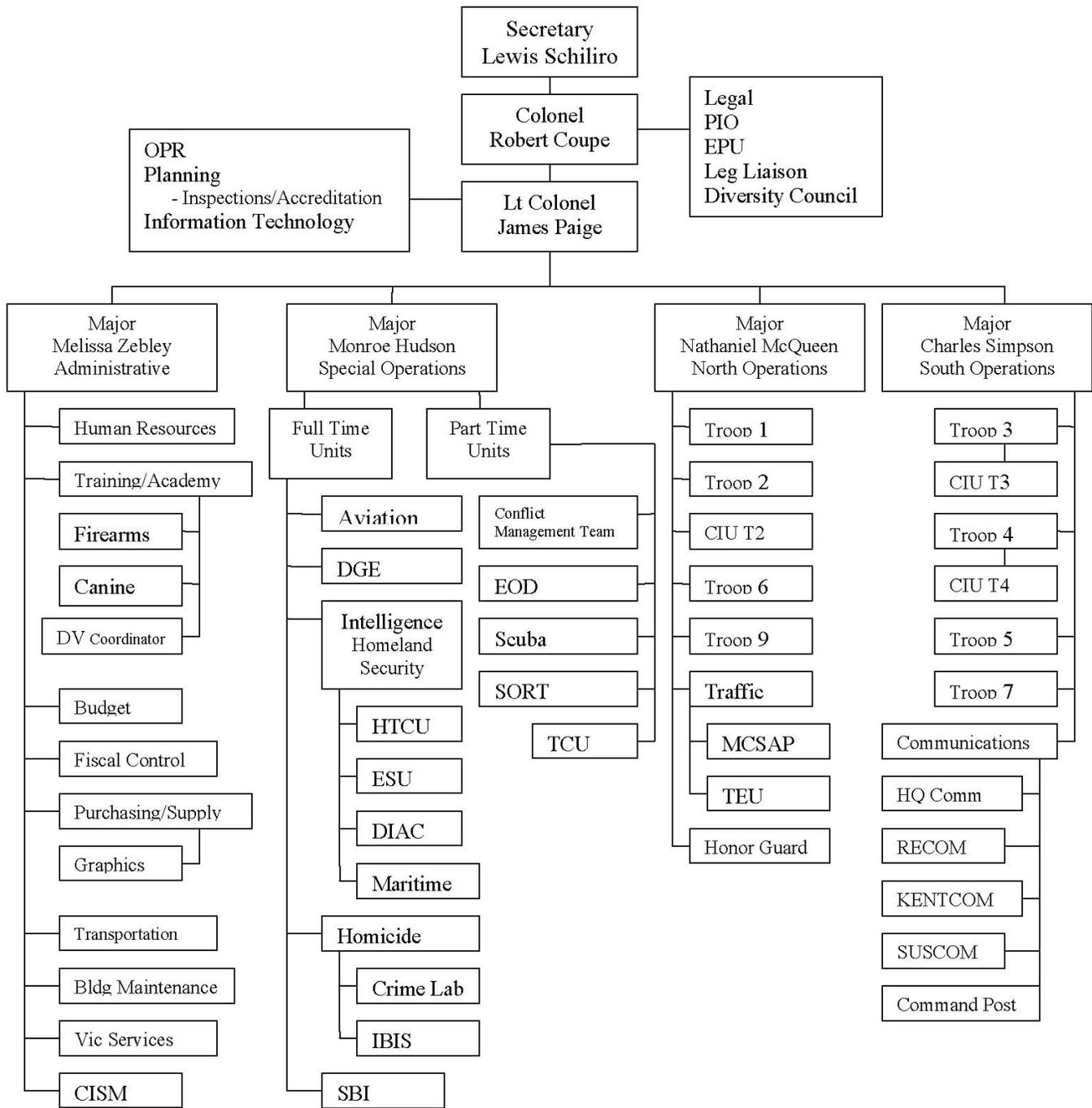
*Major Melissa Zebley
Administrative Officer*

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Troop 1

Captain Michael A. Reader



The “First Troop in the First State” has been an icon, located at the top of Penny Hill since 1923. Penny Hill has a rich history of tradition and outstanding public service. The forty-three troopers currently

assigned to Troop 1 performed diligently during this past year to provide professional and compassionate public service to an increasingly diverse population. This diversity spans from Wilmington to Claymont, and Brandywine Hundred to Centreville. The patrol area also includes two interstate highways, as well as the Concord Pike corridor, which has become a regional Retail Mecca and the site of the world-wide headquarters for Astra Zeneca.

Captain Melissa Zebley was the commander of Troop 1 until her promotion to Major in September of 2010. Major Zebley became the first female Trooper in the agency’s 90 year history to be promoted to the rank of Major. Under her leadership, Troop 1 continued to achieve traffic and criminal investigative excellence. Her dedicated service to organized community groups in the Troop 1 area enriched Troop 1’s reputation with the citizens we serve.

Throughout 2010, Troop 1 personnel continued coordinating with the United States Secret Service for protection of Vice President Joseph R. Biden. This duty included routine escorts from the Vice President’s residence as well as visits from President Obama. During the numerous Presidential and Vice Presidential details, Troop 1 Troopers provided distinguished service in security and motorcade support.

Since the fall of 2003, Troop 1 crime fighting and prevention efforts have been directed by Lieutenant Michael Eisenhardt. He has targeted areas of high criminal activity and focused on repeat criminal offenders, all while maintaining vigilance on homeland security. Under Lt. Eisenhardt’s direction, the Troop 1 retail theft efforts were spearheaded by Corporal Scott Mauchin and Corporal John Day. During the busy holiday season, the retail theft unit increased its staffing and added Corporal Chris Holzwarth and Trooper First Class William Yeldell to handle an ever increasing complaint load. The retail theft unit continued to be vital in forging relationships with our retail security partners.

Traffic Lieutenant Jennifer Griffin assumed the highway safety reigns. Enhancing law enforcement visibility along our roadways in an effort to deter aggressive driving and keep our law abiding citizens safe was Troop 1’s primary goal. Lieutenant Griffin oversaw numerous highway safety initiatives to include speed, seat belt and DUI checkpoints. Master Corporal Troy

Pezzuto continued to utilize his motorcycle unit to coordinate enforcement and educational initiatives in targeted areas. Highway safety was indeed a true team effort which included the Troop administration as well as cooperation from the road Troopers. This collective initiative resulted in a 50% reduction of fatal crashes in the Troop 1 area during 2010.

Troop 1 award winners were once again honored as the Troop enjoyed a night out at a Wilmington Blue Rocks baseball game. The awards recipients were as follows: Troop 1’s Trooper of the year- Cpl. Mark Hogate, Traffic Ace-TFC William Yeldell, DUI Ace- Cpl. Doug MacDonald, and Crime Fighting Ace-Cpl. Jeffrey Gliem.

To highlight one individual effort or incident would be a disservice to the entire Troop. Troop 1 is well known as a very cohesive, close knit unit of hard working Troopers who consistently go well above and beyond what is expected.

Troop 2 Patrol Unit

Captain Melissa Hukill

Troop 2 is located on US Route 40, just east of Delaware Route 896 in Newark. Fifty uniformed troopers and three civilian support personnel are assigned to this building. The troopers patrol the area east of Interstate 95 from the Maryland state line to the Wilmington city limits. They are part of the immense Troop 2 facility which houses other entities to include the Criminal Investigative Unit, Office of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, State Bureau of Identification and the Collision Reconstruction Unit.



Captain Melissa Hukill has been the Troop Commander at Troop 2 since September of 2009. Lieutenant Daniel Hall served as the Traffic Lieutenant until September where he transitioned over as Troop 2’s Criminal Lieutenant. Lieutenant James Hulings was transferred to the Internal Affairs Unit. Lieutenant Matthew Cox was promoted in September from serving as the Sergeant of the Collision Reconstruction Unit and became Troop 2’s new Traffic Lieutenant.

Traffic operations and enforcement are overseen by Lieutenant Matthew Cox. These efforts have a major impact on keeping our roadways safe and in saving lives. Traffic enforcement also has a favorable impact on reducing the number of collisions. Troopers often focus their efforts on hotspots, for example, areas that have seen an increase in collisions. In addition, troopers also target speeders, reckless, aggressive and drunk drivers.

Throughout the year, troopers partnered with the Office of Highway Safety conducting seatbelt, safety and DUI checkpoints and patrols. Also in 2010, members of Troop 2 participated in the Highway Safety Awareness Program. For this program, troopers responded to SR 1, I-95, I-495, and specific locations in the Troop 2 patrol area twice a month and targeted speeding and seatbelt violations.

During this time period, troopers handled 1,740 property damage and 485 personal injury collisions. Members of the Crash Reconstruction Unit investigated 11 fatality crashes that occurred in Troop 2's patrol territory. Troop 2 Troopers also issued 18,000 traffic citations and arrested 579 individuals for DUI. Troop 2 led the entire state in both DUI and traffic enforcement numbers. Troop 2 troopers issued 1,564 seatbelt assessments, which was 223 more assessments than the next closest troop. Even with this exceptional enforcement, 11 citizens lost their lives on roadways within Troop 2's coverage area. Troopers will continue their efforts in attempting to reduce the likelihood of these tragic events.

Criminal enforcement efforts are overseen by Lieutenant Daniel Hall. Troopers on patrol respond to calls for service and focus on outward signs of criminal activity. Troopers are also vigilant in detecting less visible criminal activity while on patrol. Their efforts often result in the apprehension of criminals in the progress of committing crimes. These troopers communicate daily with detectives and other specialized units providing them continuous updates on what is happening on the streets. This often leads to the launching of major investigations and the solving of crimes. Troopers handled 722 felony and 3,529 misdemeanor investigations during the year. This resulted in 453 felony and 2,460 misdemeanor arrests.

Troop 2 continued with the Two-Trooper Criminal Car Initiative for the first six months of the year. Cpl/1 Ritchie and Cpl. P. Stock were the members of this esteemed unit. We were able to initiate the program again during the month of December with Cpl/1 Reif and Cpl. T. Stock. The Two-Trooper Criminal Car Initiative (TTCCI) program provides a highly mobile crime-fighting tool, which serves as a force multiplier increasing the proactive police presence on patrol. The two troopers assigned to this program are so chosen because of their abilities, motivation, and ability to work as part of a team. Every effort is taken to keep this detail on patrol and not bogged down with long-term complaints or assignments. Their main focus is suppressing crime on the street. The resulting performance by the detail is an obvious indicator of the pace at

which the two troopers work. In 2010, they launched 190 criminal investigations, which led to 25 felony arrests and 273 misdemeanor arrests. The troopers assigned to this detail generated nearly 10.5% of all the criminal arrests for the troop. In addition, members of the TTCCI made 389 traffic arrests and 25 local fugitive arrests.

The Collision Reconstruction Unit (CRU) is responsible for investigating all fatal motor vehicle collisions that occur within State Police area of responsibility within New Castle County, as well as serious personal injury collisions, personal injury departmental collisions and to provide support services to municipal agencies and CIU by mapping scenes. In 2010, the four investigators in the unit handled a total of 36 fatal collision investigations, representing 39% of all fatal accidents in the state, with a total complaint load of 60 cases. In an effort to affect the crash rate involving teen drivers, the CRU members take their experiences and knowledge to high schools throughout the county, presenting the Troopers Educating About Highway Safety program to driver's education classes and auditoriums during prom season.

In addition to the service given on patrol, numerous Troop 2 personnel strengthen the community by participating in non-profit and charity events throughout the year. Some of these programs include the Special Olympics' Torch Run, Pigskin Pass, Polar Bear Plunge, Ride to the Tide, Summer Games, Fall Festival, and their swimming, basketball and bowling events. During many of these events, troopers receive the honor of placing the award medals around the necks of the participants and winners, personally congratulating them on their accomplishments. The Law Enforcement Memorial Run, Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS) Run and the National Police Memorial are other popular events among the troopers.

In May, Troop 2 worked in conjunction with the Christiana, and Aetna Fire Companies to host its Annual Public Safety Awareness Open House. The facility was open for tours and many police and fire exhibitions were displayed to the public. This community interaction continues long beyond just that one day of the year. Throughout the entire year, numerous tours for various groups are conducted to give the community a better understanding of what is occurring inside the building and of what role the troopers serve in their community. Also in May, members of Troop 2 assisted the Ronnie Williams Foundation with their annual Trooper Ron's Run. In addition, the Trooper Robert Paris Community Room, dedicated to the fallen trooper, provides a large conference space that serves as a meeting spot for community groups. It was utilized approximately 240 times in 2010 by thousands of visitors. Throughout the year, members of Troop 2 patrol provided students from the University of Delaware, Delaware Technical Community College, Wilmington University, applicant's in the Delaware State Police hiring process, and other individuals who are hoping for a career in law enforcement with a ride along experience.

Troop 2 is fortunate to have so many hardworking men and women willing to work around the clock to protect the citizens and those visiting Delaware. The Troop 2 area is large, densely populated, and consequently very busy. The daily pace at the troop is therefore both demanding and challenging, but most troopers choose an assignment at Troop 2 namely for this reason.

Troop 2 Criminal Investigative Unit

Captain John Evans

The Criminal Investigative Unit (CIU) at Troop 2 provides support to the four patrol troops in New Castle County (Troops 1, 2, 6 & 9). CIU's primary focus is to provide support in the area of criminal investigations. During weather related and other emergencies the CIU also provides assistance to the patrol function in areas of calls for service and traffic safety.

CIU is currently staffed with sixty-seven sworn Troopers, two Civilian Auto Theft Technicians, eight Agents from the Office of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs and three Probation Officers assigned to the Governor's Task Force. The CIU is under the command of Captain John Evans, Lieutenant Joseph Spagnolo and Lieutenant Daniel Meadows with assistance from Ms. JoAnn Austin. CIU has the investigative responsibility for everything from quality-of-life issues that affect our citizens to any serious criminal offenses that occur in New Castle County.

CIU detectives are selected both for their skills as investigators and for their motivation to solve crimes. They are assigned to specialized investigative units that concentrate on specific crimes. These units include Robbery, Property Crimes, Financial Crimes, Major Crimes, Polygraph, Youth Aid, Drugs, Evidence Detection and Court Liaison. In addition, a CIU drug investigator participates full-time in a federal task force with the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA).

Additional units within the CIU at Troop 2 are the Governor's Task Force (GTF), the Career Criminal Unit (CCU), the School Resource Officers (SROs) and the Office of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs (ONDD). The GTF is a unit comprised of DSP Troopers and officers from Delaware Probation and Parole. GTF focuses on offenders, who are on probation and violating conditions of their release from prison by their continued criminal activity.

CCU has a similar mission; however, they focus on repeat offenders, who are often involved in some type of organized or pattern-type crime. CCU is also responsible for surveillance operations in support of the other detective squads. Nineteen SROs are assigned full-time to specific high schools or middle schools in New Castle County. The SROs also work closely with detectives from the Youth Aid Unit to cover over sixty additional schools in the County. The eight civilian Agents and one sworn Trooper assigned to the Delaware State Police Office of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs are responsible for

investigating the diversion of legally obtained drugs into illegal channels and the acquiring or obtaining of controlled substances by illegal methods. In 2010, ONDD investigated 348 cases resulting in 210 defendants being arrested for 818 criminal charges.

The Drug Unit investigates offenses related to the possession and distribution of illegal substances, while the GTF conducts proactive policing impacting quality of life concerns in historically problematic geographic areas. GTF also assists the Department of Corrections, Probation and Parole, in monitoring the compliance of active probationers. In 2010, the Drug Unit and GTF seized 273 grams of crack cocaine, 9,535 grams of powder cocaine, 425 grams of heroin, 206 lbs. of marijuana and a large assortment of pills. In addition, they seized 23 firearms, made 915 criminal arrests and conducted 1,960 checks on probationers.

In 2010, the Troop 2 CIU investigated an unprecedented number of significant serial crimes which garnered both the media and public spotlight. These crimes included two separate serial rapists who victimized a total of five women, three serial bank robbers, a serial car thief and two separate serial robbers, who victimized the clerks of approximately twenty-seven stores and gas stations by producing a knife or a shotgun, while demanding money.

Although these investigations required extensive resources and were manpower intensive, the Troop 2 CIU pulled together as a team and worked towards the common goal. The person(s) responsible for each of the serial crimes described above has been identified and brought to justice. The successful outcome of these investigations is a direct reflection of the hard work, talent, dedication, commitment and teamwork exhibited daily by the men and women of the Troop 2 CIU.

The detectives at the Troop 2 CIU look forward to the challenges to come in 2011 and through their on-going training and experience, will continue to serve the citizens and visitors of the state in an exemplary and professional manner by providing competent and compassionate law enforcement services.

Troop 3

Captain Galen M. Purcell

Delaware State Police Troop 3 is located on US Route 13A between Woodside and Camden. Currently commanded by Captain Galen M. Purcell, Troop 3 consists of eighty-three sworn officers and three civilians. Troop 3 is the only Troop in Kent County and houses both uniform troopers and criminal detectives. Out of the 628 square miles in Kent County, Troop 3 provides police services to 595 square miles, the largest of all state police troops. The population of Kent County is 155,000 people. As with all Delaware State Police troops, Troop 3 is a full-service police agency. In 2010, Troop 3 personnel handled 41,026 complaints.

On a yearly basis, Troop 3 supports the operations of the Delaware State Fair, the NASCAR races at Dover Downs International Speedway, as well as community events such as "Safe Summer Day" at Brecknock Park.

The Troop 3 Patrol Section is under the command of Lt. Charles Condon. The Patrol Section includes four shifts, each supervised by a sergeant. During 2010 the Patrol Section made 16,416 traffic arrests, and 500 DUI arrests. Three troopers are assigned to the Crash Reconstruction Unit (CRU). In 2010, 16 fatal crashes were handled by CRU.

The Criminal Investigative Unit (CIU), under the command of Lt. James P. Fraley, consists of twenty-two detectives who are assigned to several units including Major Crimes, Property Crimes, Domestic Violence, Fraud, Youth Aid and the Evidence Detection Unit. In 2010, the CIU handled 3,048 cases and made 4,700 arrests, as well as recovering \$423,533 in property.

On January 21, 2010, the body of Lisa K. Mumford was located in the area of Port Mahon. Sergeant David Weaver had initially handled the case as a missing person until the body was located. His efforts and investigation led to the arrest of two subjects for her murder. In October of 2010, Sergeant Weaver investigated another missing person complaint, that being Gary Sanders. Once again, through his tireless investigation, Sergeant Weaver located Sanders body which led to the arrest of his assailant.

In May of 2010, detective Mark K. Csapo of the Troop 3 Major Crimes Unit received the 2010 Delaware Crime Stoppers Robert J. Seinsoth Memorial Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award.

The Kent Drug Unit and Governor's Task Force were commanded by Lt. Robert Wallace. The Kent Drug Unit is responsible for the investigation of drug distribution organizations and their networks in Kent County. During 2010 the Kent Drug Unit conducted a six month investigation into a drug distribution and dog fighting network in Kent County entitled "Operation Diamond Dog". The investigation led to the arrest of 39 people on 359 criminal charges. Over three and one half kilograms of cocaine were seized along with \$206,000 cash, 13 firearms, 11 vehicles and 9 dogs used in dog fighting. The Kent Drug Unit was assisted in this significant investigation by both local and federal law enforcement agencies.

The Kent County Governor's Task Force (GTF) continued its partnership with Probation and Parole focusing their enforcement on high risk repeat offenders and identified crime hot spots throughout Kent County. GTF also played a significant role in the "Operation Diamond Dog" investigation. During 2010 the Kent Drug Unit and GTF arrested 363 people on 1,549 criminal charges, seized \$523,841 cash, \$71,750 in other assets, and recovered \$57,425 in stolen property. Additionally, they executed 80 search warrants, recovered 52 firearms, 3,979 grams of cocaine, 41,282 grams of marijuana, and 4,369 pre-

scription pills, as well as heroin, MDMA and methamphetamine.

The Kent County Crime Watch Association completed its tenth year and is still going strong. There are currently over thirty communities active in the association, and anyone interested in starting a crime watch in their neighborhood is encouraged to contact Troop 3. As in past years, the men and women of the Delaware State Police Troop 3 look forward to serving the citizens of Kent County and the State of Delaware.

Troop 4

Captain Sean E. Moriarty

Delaware State Police Troop 4 is located on US Route 113 in Georgetown. It is the only State Police Troop in Sussex County housing both criminal investigators and uniformed patrol. Troop 4 is comprised of uniformed troopers, detectives and civilian members encompassing patrol, major crimes, property crimes, white-collar crimes, school resource officers/youth, evidence detection, polygraph, Governor's Task Force, drug unit, community outreach officer, victim services and the court liaison officer. Patrol troopers cover 349 square miles of territory. Detectives investigate significant crimes and quality of life issues throughout the entire county, encompassing 973 square miles of territory.



In 2010, Sussex County's population continued to develop and increase. Those population changes resulted in proportionate increases in both demands and calls for service for Troop 4 personnel. Those changes included the expansion of "44 Sector" to adopt areas formerly assigned to Troop 7's "74 Sector." In 2010, the Troop's sworn personnel fluctuated between 77 and 82 sworn personnel and five civilians. The personnel complement was comprised of 37 patrol officers, 23 criminal investigators, seven school resource officers, five Governor's Task Force officers, five drug investigators, one community liaison, one court liaison, five civilians and four administrators.

In September of 2010, the command staff underwent a change in personnel. Captain Charles "Chip" Simpson was promoted to Operations Major on the Executive Staff. Consequently, Captain Sean E. Moriarty was assigned as the new troop com-

mander after serving as the Director of the Office of Professional Responsibility. Lieutenant Sherri Benson was promoted from patrol lieutenant at Troop 4 to Captain and assigned as the Director of Traffic at Headquarters. Similarly, newly promoted lieutenant Michael Nelson was assigned from Troop 3 to the patrol/traffic lieutenant position at Troop 4. Lieutenant Daniel Sponaugle oversaw the drug unit, Governor's Task Force and School Resource Officers. Lieutenant Randy Fisher oversaw major crimes, property crimes, white-collar crimes, polygraph and the evidence units.

Patrol troopers continued to be at the forefront of several proactive law enforcement initiatives. During 2010, patrol personnel made 13,477 traffic arrests and 327 driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs arrests. Additionally, patrol troopers handled 12,368 traffic and criminal complaints and they made 1,918 criminal arrests.

Troop 4's criminal investigators made 5,367 criminal arrests, executed 115 search warrants; and they recovered approximately \$333,679 worth of stolen property. Detectives continued to solve crime at remarkable clearance rates. Overall, they investigated over 2,524 cases and assisted with an additional 865 cases in 2010.

The Evidence Detection Unit (EDU) handled numerous requests for service in 2010. Those requests ranged from processing collected evidence to assisting the Homicide Unit at scenes. The unit operated and maintained the evidence lockers at Troop 4, Troop 5 and Troop 7. The Troop's permanent evidence locker contained the majority of the evidence collected by the three troops in Sussex County. In addition, this unit prepared evidence transmittal letters and delivered evidence to the Medical Examiner's DNA Laboratory for examination in several cases. Members of this unit also participated in several demonstrations at local schools throughout Sussex County.

Realizing the importance of our future, Troop 4 has always maintained a strong interest in developing youth. The Troop was instrumental in developing the School Resource Officer (SRO) program in Sussex County. Since the mid 1990s, this program has positively impacted the lives of children and their families, by addressing concerns at pivotal and developmental ages. In 2010, all of the county's school resource officers were re-assigned to Troop 4 and their respective school. SROs handled 231 cases and 201 arrests. In addition to addressing incidents, they served as positive role models, provided crime prevention, and they worked with schools to educate and develop critical incident plans.

In 2010, the School Resource Officers/Youth Aid members were also responsible for security during the Senior League Girls World Series Softball Tournament. The tournament occurred in August at the Lower Sussex Little League complex in Roxana. Team members represented the United States, Canada, the Netherlands, Puerto Rico and the Philippines.

Troop 4 continued its longstanding tradition of facilitating Division programs at Camp Barnes. From its inception in

1947, the Camp has provided youth with the opportunity to experience life at a traditional summer camp, with the hope of reducing and eliminating juvenile crime and delinquency. During the summer of 2010, under the direction of Master Corporal James "Shawn" Hatfield, 360 children between the ages of 10-13 were able to attend the camp free of charge. The camp season runs for six weeks and is staffed by troopers from throughout the state. Additionally, approximately 200 youth attended from Wilmington Parks and Recreation, 100 students from 4H, 100 from Special Olympics and 20 youth from the Delaware Burn Camp.

Perhaps the most prominent event supporting Camp Barnes is the annual stock car race. In July 2010, the 38th Annual Camp Barnes Stock Car Race was held at Delmar International Speedway. The race featured cars and drivers from several surrounding states. The proceeds from this race resulted in \$36,638.46 for Camp Barnes.



Troop 4's Explorer Post remained a model program. Under the direction of Detectives Cheryl Arnold and Mark Justice, the Explorers learned

and practiced law enforcement fundamentals. These young men and women are a cohesive unit who are dedicated to serving the public. They assisted troopers in several events including the Annual Return Day and Pumpkin Chunkin events. The future remains bright for them in their quest to become full time law enforcement practitioners.

Members of the Governor's Task Force (GTF) and the Sussex Drug Unit continued to serve the entire Sussex County community. Both units worked closely together with Probation and Parole to address quality of life issues and drug related crimes. During 2010, those troopers seized firearms, currency and a significant quantity of illegal drugs. Through their combined efforts, the troopers handled 475 cases and made a total of 1,623 criminal arrests. They seized 552 grams of cocaine, 818 grams of crack cocaine, 11 grams of heroin, 11,752 grams of marijuana, 270 doses of LSD and 4,260 prescription pills. Additionally, these teams seized \$327,459 in suspected drug proceeds; and they seized 102 firearms. The units worked in known high drug and crime areas, and were called upon to assist with several significant multi-jurisdictional crime sweeps.

In December of 2010, Detective Thomas Elliott was the recipient of the Troop 4 Trooper of the Year Award for detectives. Master Corporal John "JB" Mitchell was the recipient of the Troop 4 Trooper of the Year Award for patrol.

Although the men and women handled numerous significant cases during the year, one of the most notable cases involved Lewes pediatrician Dr. Earl Bradley. In December of 2009, a

three year old child disclosed inappropriate sexual contact by Bradley. Detectives Elliott (Troop 4) and Garland (HTCU), the Major Crimes, Evidence Detection, Child Predator, and High Tech Crimes Units, executed search warrants at his office and residence. During those searches they located a plethora of video images depicting Bradley engaging in sexual acts with his child patients. As a result of the investigation, 215 innocent children were identified as victims. On February 23, 2010, the Sussex County Grand Jury heard all the evidence gathered against Bradley and returned a 471 count criminal indictment against him. The charges against Bradley included rape, sexual exploitation of a child, unlawful sexual contact, continuous sexual abuse of a child, assault and reckless endangering. The case received national media attention and resulted in the enactment of new laws to further protect children.

Troop 4 personnel maintained a commitment to practicing the Delaware State Police's mission, by "providing the citizens and visitors of Delaware with professional, competent and compassionate law enforcement services." The year proved to be very productive for both patrol and criminal investigative units. As 2010 dawns, the men and women at Troop 4 look forward to the many new challenges they will encounter and overcome in 2011.

Troop 5

Captain Rodney M. Layfield

Delaware State Police Troop 5 is located on RT 13 in Bridgeville. Troop 5 provides professional law enforcement services to the citizens of western Sussex County. Troop 5 patrols 376 of the 972 square miles in Sussex County and borders Maryland on the south and west. Troopers also provide police services to residents of Blades and Greenwood when their respective agencies are not available. Troop 5 has a total of thirty-nine patrol troopers, one troop detective, three administrators, and two civilian employees.

2010 brought many changes to Troop 5. Most notable was the retirement of Captain Greg Nolt in May. Captain Rodney M. Layfield assumed command of Troop 5 on June 14th after serving as the Director of the State Bureau of Identification. Troop 5 had several Troopers transfer to the criminal detective section of Troop 4; Sgt. Marshall Craft, Cpl. Kristin Smith, Cpl. Tim Shockley, and Cpl. Ballinger. School Resource Officers left Troop 5 to be more centralized at Troop 4. Sgt. Mike Whaley left to command the Collision Reconstruction Unit at Troop 7. To replace the outgoing staff, Sgt. Richard Bratz and Sgt. John McColgan now supervise patrol shifts and Cpl/3 Jimmy Gooch transferred from Troop 3 as a new assistant shift supervisor. Three new patrol Troopers were assigned from the DSP Academy; Tpr. Nicolas DeMalto, Tpr. Christopher Nicholson and Tpr. Sean Calloway.

In June, Troop 5's Cpl. Anthony Andrews was awarded the 2009 Delaware State Police's Trooper of the Year. The nominees for Troop 5's 2010 Trooper of the Year were TFC John

Wheatley, Cpl/1 Ricky Hargis, Cpl. Kenny Rogers, and Cpl/1 James Wharton. At Troop 5's Christmas party Cpl/1 James Wharton and his K-9 Bak were awarded Troopers of the Year for Troop 5.

Troopers at Troop 5 continued to handle a large complaint load and experienced significant increases in burglaries (10.7%) and thefts (17.2%) over the course of 2010. These increases were mostly due to the poor economy, the increasing price of precious metals and the abuse of prescription drugs.

In 2010, fatal motor vehicle accidents dropped by 33% and injury accidents decreased by 2%, despite a 7% increase in the total number of accidents reported.

Community outreach is very important at Troop 5. Our Troop Detective Mark Albert plays a lead role in putting together the Needy Family project. We provided Christmas gifts to six individual families in the county and held a Christmas party for sixteen children in Coverdale Crossroads Community Center. This was made possible in part due to the many relationships we have forged with our business partners in the surrounding communities.

Sussex County's very own "Punkin Chunkin" is held in Troop 5's territory. This event is one of the largest events in Delaware, second only to the NASCAR race in Dover. Troop 5 is responsible for providing security for the entire event, sharing the traffic component with DelDot to provide safe egress in and out of the event. This event is now sponsored by the Discovery Channel and continues to increase in size each year.

Troop 5 will dedicate its Fallen Troopers' Memorial on April 5, 2011, the 15th anniversary of the tragic accident of Tpr. Sandra Wagner. The memorial will honor Tpr. Wagner and Tpr. Gerard Dowd.

The men and women of Troop 5 look forward to the challenges that lie ahead in 2011 and are prepared to provide professional, competent, and compassionate law enforcement services to the people we serve.

Troop 6

Captain Jeffrey R. Evans

Delaware State police Troop 6 continues to be one of the busiest troops in the state, covering an area of 82 square miles, with an estimated population of 220,000 people. The troop area is comprised of a diverse socio-economic population, including the outskirts of the city of Wilmington, the towns of Elsmere, Newport, Newark, Stanton and Hockessin. The troop sits on the busy corner of the Kirkwood Highway and Albertson Drive, and has been a fixture in the area, known as Prices Corner, for 40 years.

The Troop currently has forty-seven uniformed patrol troopers and five administrators. The command staff consists of Capt.

Jeff Evans, Lt. John Slank and Lt. Tom Brackin. Lt. Brackin joined our ranks in September of 2010, coming from DIAC. The administrative assistants are Ms. Joni Melvin and Ms. Donna Newth-Showell and our mechanic is Scott Ferguson.

With the completion of 2010, Capt. Evans and Lt. Slank have seen their first full year of troop activity. Troop 6 had 39,497 calls for service, handling 4,105 traffic crash investigations. In spite of the heavy work load, the troopers were able to make 13,868 traffic arrests, 442 DUI arrests, and 2,345 criminal arrests. In addition, the troopers attended several community events and civic association functions. We value our relationship with the customers we serve. This troop is comprised of a group of highly motivated, energetic and professional police officers. They function in a highly demanding sector of the state, handling a multitude of complaints ranging from traffic issues to criminal homicide. Their dedication and commitment is beyond question.

To highlight any one event or trooper's work would be a disservice. However, one trooper's significant interdiction work on the interstate should be noted. Cpl. Doug Brietzke's work has yielded \$780,483.00 in USC, \$86,474.00 in marijuana, \$47,535.00 in cocaine, \$18,800.00 in heroin, \$4,000.00 in PCP, \$250.00 in mescaline, \$10,000.00 in oxycontin, \$178,460.00 in untaxed cigarettes, \$67,200.00 in vehicles, and \$329,629.00 in counterfeit goods. The shifts at the troop have each demonstrated a tremendous ability to function as teams, which has resulted in several arrests of serial felons.

Troop 6 looks forward to continuing the delivery of professional, compassionate police services to the residents of our troop area in 2011.

Troop 7

Captain Glenn Dixon

Delaware State Police Troop 7 is located on State Route 1 just outside Lewes. It provides full service policing to the residents on the eastern third of Sussex County. This area continues to be one of the fastest growing regions in the state. Currently, there are fifty-three uniformed officers, four civilian personnel and one volunteer assigned to Troop 7. Included among the fifty-three uniformed officers are three Troop Administrators and four members of the Sussex County Crash Reconstruction Unit (CRU).

Troop 7's territory encompasses over two hundred forty-seven square miles of very diverse communities. A re-alignment occurred in 2010 resulting in Troop 4 acquiring the territory from the Indian Inlet River Bridge south to the Maryland line. This results in Troop 7 being able to service more appropriately the busy Route 1, Rehoboth and Dewey Beach corridor as well as the ever growing Long Neck area and areas north toward Milford. Much of the inland area consists of farmland and retirement communities. In contrast, the area is also home

of the Rehoboth Outlets which is one of the largest outlet centers in the world with more than one hundred and forty retail stores. Bordered on the east by the Delaware Bay and Atlantic Ocean, the area is a major vacation resort drawing thousands of people from the Washington, Baltimore, Wilmington and Pennsylvania metropolitan areas. This area continues to grow at a rapid pace as more people make this area their year-round residence.

During 2010, Troop 7 investigated 19,135 complaints, made 17,759 traffic arrests, 545 DUI arrests and 3,614 criminal arrests. In addition, the CRU investigated 29 fatal accidents resulting in 31 deaths and 19 serious injury accidents, 11 of those fatal crashes occurred in Troop 7's area.

Traffic safety is always one of Troop 7's top priorities. During 2010, Troop 7's personnel employed directed patrols, DUI assignments, seatbelt assignments and public awareness programs to enhance the safety of our roadways. The Troopers Educating about Roadway Safety (T.E.A.R.S.) program administered by the CRU team continues to be a big success with high school students.

Troop 7 continues to have very strong and active Neighborhood Watch Programs. The communities meet every other month to discuss any current issues and problems occurring in their neighborhoods with the Troop Administration. The Program continues to be very well accepted as the public feels that they have a legitimate avenue to express their concerns in a very informal atmosphere. Our Citizens Assisting Police Services (CAPS) program which currently has one volunteer is an instrumental part of organizing and running the Neighborhood Watch Program.

Troopers from Troop 7 participated in a hoagie making contest at the Lewes WaWa where they competed against the Lewes Fire Department and the Delaware National Guard in making the most hoagie's in three minutes. DSP walked away with first place by making thirty seven (37) hoagies. As winners, the Troopers were given \$1,000 from WaWa, to donate to their favorite charity/organization. They decided to donate the money to DSP Camp Barnes.



Cpl/1 Dallas Reynolds, Cpl/3 Steve Smyk, Cpl/3 Tony Mendez, Cpl/3 Bill Matt, Cpl/3 Kevin Smith (Not pictured-Cpl/2 Jay Burns)

Troop 7 will continue to focus on crime reduction, highway safety and community relations in 2011 as a means of providing the best possible service to the citizens and guest's of our great state.

Troop 9

Captain Paul Smentkowski

Troop 9, located in Odessa's historic district, has been proudly serving the southern portion of New Castle County since 1971. Troopers assigned to Troop 9 continue their dedicated service to the citizens and visitors of southern New Castle County. Troop 9 is responsible for well over 200 square miles of patrol area, extending from the Kent County line to the intersection of US Rt. 13 and DE Rt. 273 (Hare's Corner). Patrol coverage also includes all of State Route 1 in New Castle County and the Christiana Mall, which continues to expand with the addition of new stores.

Enveloping the Middletown/Odessa/Townsend area, Troop 9's territory is one of continued growth. Troop 9 is responsible for the towns of Odessa, Townsend and Port Penn. With this growth has come additional traffic and crime. In 2010, staffing included an average of 31 uniformed troopers, three administrators, and two civilian staff members. First line supervision is key to the success of any organization. The supervision and leadership provided by Sergeants Bond, Davis, Nefosky and Samis enabled personnel to meet the mission of the Delaware State Police.

Troop 9 has maintained SR 1 and the Rt. 896/301 corridor as areas of priority enforcement, along with a number of primary rural thoroughfares. Troopers are responsible for the security of critical infrastructure along Delaware Route 9, including a refinery and several chemical plants, as well as the four bridges crossing the C&D Canal, along with the Christiana Mall.

Exemplary performances by individuals at Troop 9 throughout the year contributed to the cumulative outstanding results. Cpl/3 Michael Hibbert, TFC Nicholas Shovlin, and Cpl. Thomas Gaul were Troop 9's top traffic performers. TFC. Robert Downer, Cpl/1 Leonard Aguilar, TFC James Agnor, and Cpl/1 Sean O'leary were Troop 9's top DUI enforcers. Cpl/1 Sean O'Leary, Cpl/2 Todd Hennon, and TFC Nicholas Shovlin were Troop 9's top criminal performers.

Many of the initiatives and operations throughout 2010 were successful because of community involvement. The Troop 9 administration has remained active in Odessa and Townsend, reporting on criminal and traffic enforcement monthly at town council meetings, and availing themselves for questions, remarks or problem-solving. Troopers have also participated in several community events including assisting with traffic for town parades, as well as conducting fingerprinting of children. Cpl/3 Jandre Lafate and Cpl/3 Michael Hibbert have resumed

the Explorers Post at Troop 9, which exposes young adults to the law enforcement profession. Participating in these meetings and events has continued a strong rapport with these communities and has affirmed the approachability of the Delaware State Police to our citizens.

As the community continues to grow, the dedicated men and women of Troop 9 will adapt to the area's needs for service with pride, loyalty, excellence, and professionalism.



Aviation

Captain Ronald W. Hagan

The Delaware State Police Aviation Section operations are based at Sussex County Airport in Georgetown serving the lower half of the state and Summit

Airport in Middletown serving the northern half of the state. At both sites the Section's administration along with fourteen pilots and eleven medics operate three Bell 407's helicopters, one Bell 412 helicopter, and one single engine Cessna 182 airplane, 24-hours a day, 7-days a week. The primary missions of the section are to provide rapid aero-medical transport of trauma victims in support of the fire and EMS and aviation support of ground based law enforcement personnel statewide.

Along with celebrating 40 years of success, 2010 brought another first for the Section as we welcomed the first Delaware State Police female pilot, Cpl/1 Nicole C. Parton. We also welcomed Cpl/1 Shawn M. Wright as a new pilot to the Section. Cpl. Wright comes to the section immediately following a deployment with the U.S. Army to Afghanistan as a Blackhawk pilot. He was deployed along with another Section member Cpl/2 William A. White.



1st photo: Cpl/2 William A. White. 2nd Photo: (left to right) Lt. Mike Berry (Academy-FTU) and Cpl. Shawn Wright.

The Aviation Section would like to thank and honor the service and safe return of Trooper/Pilots, White and Wright both of whom served approximately ten months in Afghanistan. This was Cpl/2 White's second tour of duty.

Delaware Air Rescue Team

The Aviation Section continues to work at enhancing its rescue

ability. In 2010, twelve members of the Volunteer and Professional firefighters were selected to complete the staffing of the Delaware Air Rescue Team. Those new members received their initial training as System Operators and Rescues Specialist from Priority One Air Rescue. The Air Rescue Team members augment our manpower and allow the Section to handle more complex rescue missions in all types of environments and terrain.

As always, in addition to the new and exciting programs that happened in 2010, the Section continued to provide emergency helicopter service for law enforcement, EMS and search and rescue. In performing the multi-mission role the Section flew 2,199 missions in 1,139 flight hours, 987 of those missions were emergency medical missions which continue to be the largest mission category.

Tactical EMS Missions 2010

DSP Trooper/Paramedics along with the Wilmington Police Department (WPD) Police Officer/Paramedic (Sgt. Adam Ringle) provided Advance Life Support (ALS) coverage for DSP and WPD SORT/EOD operations on 135 missions. Our collaborative efforts with WPD proved to be a successful partnership again this year as the tactical medic callout statistics remained practically identical to last year, therefore validating the programs existence. Also in 2010, the tactical medic program saw a new team leader, as the coordination of call-outs was taken over by Cpl/3 Matthew Pragg. The Tactical Medic program met its goal of providing ALS coverage on every SORT Mission and on all Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) call-outs when requested by the EOD Officer in Charge.

2010 AED Deployments

Delaware State Police Aviation Section oversees the divisions AED program. In 2010 Troopers deployed their Automated External Defibrillator (AED) on fourteen occasions, which met the criteria for download (pads-on-patient). The following is a summary of the utilizations:

- 12 utilizations where the AED analyzed followed by a "No Shock Advised" prompt. The patient was subsequently pronounced deceased.
- 1 utilization where the trooper administered 2 shocks followed by the patient having a spontaneous return of circulation (ROC). The patient arrived at the hospital alive.
- 1 utilization where the trooper administered 1 shock followed by the patient having a spontaneous return of circulation (ROC). The patient arrived at the hospital alive.

Infectious Disease Exposures

For the 2010 calendar year the Delaware State Police had a total of fifteen confirmed infectious disease exposures. In addition, there were a total of seven cases that did not meet the exposure criteria; however, these incidences were documented and placed in a file.

New Aircraft Acquisition Committee

Captain Hagan formed a new aircraft acquisition committee to research aircraft which will replace the Division's aging fleet. The committee's research and recommendations will be presented to Safety and Homeland Security Secretary Lewis D. Schiliro, Colonel Robert Coupe and the rest of the Executive Staff. Recommendations will be based on the safest most capable aircraft to perform the sections expanding, multi-mission profile. The Committee has researched and received demonstrations on the Bell 412 and 429, Augusta Westland 139 and Grand New as well as the American Eurocopter EC 145, all of which are multi-engine rescue helicopters.

Building Maintenance

Mr. Robert L. Zook

The Building Maintenance section of the Delaware State Police is under the direction of Mr. Robert Zook. His duties and functions include oversight and/or completing of minor repairs, project manager and quality control for the DSP for minor capital improvements and construction projects at Troops and facilities throughout the state. He also manages two personnel assigned to Headquarters and helps them with various parts of their work, scheduling vacation and daily duties. 2010 proved to be a very challenging year as the building maintenance section was not spared from the budget reductions that the division incurred. Despite the budget reduction, the building maintenance section completed seventeen in house small projects and oversaw projects state wide listed below.

- Troop 1: Processing room renovations & boiler replacement
- Troop 4: New roof for the main Troop building, new phone system for the entire complex, and replaced sewer grinder pumps
- Troop 7: New phone system for the entire complex, out side drainage problem, mildew remediation in the basement area
- Aviation South: New generator and transfer switch, concrete work, new fire alarm system, paving

Communications Section

William D. Carrow

Under the direction of Mr. William D. Carrow Communications Section Chief, the Section consists of three 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) and the Headquarters Communications Center. This section is staffed by eighty-nine employees and one volunteer. The Section maintains a budget of approximately one million dollars, and is responsible for:

- Emergency complaint processing and radio dispatching operations
- Data communications and computer system helpdesk operations
- Radio, data, telephone, cellular phone, in-car camera & pager administration

The statistical breakdown of the Section's activities for 2010:

RECOM

Total Incidents Dispatched	91,029
Total Incidents Handled Without Dispatch	65,655
Total Incidents Handled	156,684
Miles Saved By Center Handled Incidents	590,895
Total 9-1-1 Calls Received	401,113
Total Admin Calls	179,057

KENTCOM

Total Incidents Dispatched	49,471
Total Incidents Handled Without Dispatch	13,279
Total Incidents Handled	62,750
Miles Saved by Center Handled Incidents	119,511
Total 9-1-1 Calls Received	92,146
Total DSP Admin Calls	116,012

SUSCOM

Total Incidents Dispatched	95,041
Total Incidents Handled Without Dispatch	26,049
Total Incidents Handled	121,090
Miles Saved By Center Handled Incidents	234,441
Total 9-1-1 Calls Received	108,436
Total Admin Calls	149,204
Mobile Command Center Responses	54
Demos	5
Crowd & Control	9
SORT/CMT	4
Assist	3
DUI assignments	33

Training continues to remain paramount for the Communications Section. Supervisor and shift second-in-command training summits were held with specific instruction on key management topics being presented.

In August the section's training program became one of seventeen agencies across the country to be certified as meeting the APCO Project 33 ANSI standard.

In order to ensure that the section meets the best standards, our self-assessment of policy and procedure continued under the CALEA public safety communications accreditation program. Our on-site assessment will take place in August of 2011.

The Communications Section continued its enhanced community outreach program by hosting Citizen 9-1-1 Academies in each county. An open house was held at SUSCOM in the spring of 2010, being attended by hundreds of school children and local citizens, who were treated to public safety displays, food and tours of the communications center.

During 2010 the following Section employees were honored by the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials International (APCO) during National Public Safety Telecommunications Week in April:

Line Supervisor of the Year- Pete Trotta- RECOM
(Runner Up Victoria L. Withrow- KENTCOM)



Center Director of the Year- Kay Carrier- SUSCOM



Unit Citation Award - SUSCOM
(Joann Iacono, Bruce Parsons, Brian Peterson, Jonathan Pearson, Ed McGinnis, R. Scott Nay, Ethel Robinson, Dennis Swain, Timothy Finkbinder, and Catherine Short.)
(Runner Up Entire RECOM Staff)
(Runner Up SUSCOM Bart Golberg, Ann Naar, Dennis Swain & Ed McGinnis)

Telecommunicator of the Year- DSP earned two runner-up awards (Runner Up Randy Barr- KENTCOM)
(Runner Up Krystal Johnson- RECOM)

Communications Chief Bill Carrow continued to serve on the APCO International Executive Committee and in August was elected to position of President.

The Communications Section continues to perform mission critical operations while striving to provide excellent customer service.



Conflict Management Team

Sergeant Bernard Miller

The Conflict Management Team is comprised of nineteen Troopers who have been specially trained in hostage negotiation, kidnap mediation and suicide prevention. Several of the team members have also received training in the area of critical

stress management and are members of the DSP C.I.S.M. team. Monthly trainings center around the communications skills needed to resolve crisis situations without violence. This training is vital to keeping team members proficient in the use of (A.L.S.) Active Listening Skills which is the cornerstone of negotiating. A.L.S. combined with loose psychological principals and accepted police practices are used to safeguard the lives of all involved in a critical incident.

Sergeant Bernard Miller is the NCOIC of the Conflict Management, Master Corporal Blaine Daisey is the assistant Unit commander and Senior Corporals Natalie George and Derek Underwood are Negotiation-Team Leaders. Team members are trained to perform various duties as needed during a critical incident. Team members located throughout the state work in special unit assignments as well as patrol. These team members are responsible for responding to hostage, barricaded, suicidal and kidnapping incidents throughout the state.

The team has developed proficiencies through operational experiences, monthly training and serving as instructors to provide training to others. This training includes an annual FBI/Baltimore County PD Hostage negotiations seminar, role-play scenarios with other negotiation teams, semi-annual joint training with the Special Operations Response Team (SORT) and the H.Q. command post. The Conflict Management Team continues to instruct a 40-hour Basic Crisis Intervention and Hostage Negotiations course. This course is open to all divisional Troopers as well as Officers from municipal departments looking to become trained negotiators. The team also continues to provide a 16-hour course of instruction to 911 center specialist in the area of crisis Intervention. Team members have trained with negotiators from various agencies during year which included the New Castle County Police, Wilmington Police, Department of Corrections and the Baltimore County Police Departments.

The DSP Conflict Management Team experienced a reduced number of call-outs during 2010. The breakdown of the activations by county is as follows: New Castle - 0, Kent - 1, Sussex - 2. Each incident involved a suicidal person who had barricaded himself with a weapon. As per protocol a full team response included, CMT, SORT and the command post.

In 2011, CMT and its members will continue in a positive direction by continuing with their progressive initiatives, which include:

- Continued enhanced training with the Special Operations Response Team (SORT),
- Continued up-to-date and relevant training for team members,
- Continued collaboration with mental health professionals,
- Testing, upgrading and adding new equipment,
- Continued crisis intervention training for patrol and administrative personnel and Training classes and presentation to police agencies in the state and region.



Pictured above is some of the equipment utilized by CMT members during hostage and barricade incidents.

Criminal Intelligence Section

Captain Peter Sawyer

The Delaware State Police Criminal Intelligence and Homeland Security Section is a statewide function under the command of Captain Peter Sawyer.

The Intelligence Section is comprised of three units: Homeland Security Unit, Investigations and Support Unit and High Technology Crimes Unit

Each of these units have statewide responsibility for its operations and provides investigative and technical assistance to patrol and criminal investigation troops as well as other law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

Homeland Security Unit

The Homeland Security Unit is under the supervision of Lt. William Crotty and Sgt. Vincent Fiscella. This unit consists of the Delaware Information and Analysis Center (DIAC), the Counterterrorism Threat Squad, and the DSP Maritime Unit.



Delaware Information and Analysis Center (DIAC)

The Delaware Information and Analysis Center (DIAC) is Delaware's designated state Fusion Center. DIAC serves as a critical component of Delaware's Homeland Security, Criminal Intelligence, Critical Infrastructure Protection and

Statewide Law Enforcement investigative support system. DIAC adheres to an All Crimes/All Hazards approach to Homeland Security at the state level. This approach requires DIAC to provide real time information and intelligence to those decision makers with a need and right to know in the state's law enforcement and government sectors as well as to those in the public and private sectors. DIAC has numerous components to include a six person analytical section, a Critical Infrastructure Protection Unit and a statewide WMD coordinator. DIAC's analytical section is composed of six full

time civilian intelligence analysts and two Delaware National Guard analysts, as well as a Department of Homeland Security intelligence officer. In addition, a Department of Public Health representative works part time at DIAC. The Critical Infrastructure Protection Unit is staffed by a civilian critical infrastructure planner who works in conjunction with DHS, the state Homeland Security Advisor and DEMA.

Additionally, DIAC works daily with Delaware's Joint Terrorism Task Force, FBI, ATF, ICE, Delaware National Guard, United States Coast Guard, Dover Air Force Base, the US Attorneys Office and the Department of Homeland Security to ensure that information is shared and exchanged regularly to better protect our state.

DIAC maintains the Delaware Statewide Intelligence System, a statewide electronic repository for criminal intelligence records which is compliant with 28 CFR Part 23, the federal regulation that governs the operations of intelligence storage systems. DIAC also is responsible for the Crime Analysis function for the Delaware State Police.

In 2010 DIAC played a critical role in several events in Delaware. DIAC once again served as the intelligence lead in both NASCAR races held at Dover Downs providing a comprehensive threat assessment, and intelligence and information sharing for all disciplines involved in the races. DIAC served as an intelligence and information hub for numerous events attended by various dignitaries throughout the year. DIAC analysts also assisted in many successful criminal arrests and prosecutions. Several were the result of detailed analysis and suspect workups done by the analysts. Others were the direct result of DIAC's Daily Roll Call bulletins that allowed officers to identify suspects in numerous unsolved incidents.

Counter-Terrorism Threat Squad

The Counter-Terrorism Threat Squad conducts confidential investigations involving cases with Delaware links to national homeland security. The investigators within this unit have national security clearances to work and share information with our federal partners in the area of homeland security.

The squad was established in April of 2002 and continues its' homeland security efforts, protecting the citizens and key assets of Delaware. This squad works directly with the U.S. Attorney's "Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council" (ATAC), the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, the United States Secret Service, the United States Coast Guard, the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), the U.S. Postal Inspector, the Delaware National Guard, all U.S. military service investigative units, other state police agencies, and regional, county and municipal law enforcement agencies. The squad is charged with investigating terrorism and related activities within the state of Delaware and works with federal agents to develop criminal intelligence information and criminal prosecutions in this area. This unit also monitors the

toll free tip line and e-mail address for leads and assigns these leads appropriately to various law enforcement jurisdictions.

In November 2010, the squad sponsored the second "Hometown Security Conference" at the Polytech Conference Center in Dover. The conference concentrated on educating local and federal law enforcement officers about the reality of local ties to national and international terrorist events. This was a very successful and informative conference with local and regional experts in many related fields, to include the keynote speaker, former ABC News correspondent John Miller, famous for his 1998 interview of Osama Bin-Laden. Representatives from over forty federal, state and local law enforcement agencies attended.

Counter-Terrorism investigators are often called on to assist with various investigations conducted by other Delaware law enforcement agencies, as well as agencies in other states and countries. The squad acts as Delaware's authorized contact for INTERPOL, and fields the many inquires that originate outside of the United States.

Counter-Terrorism investigators attend numerous meetings to represent the Delaware State Police and participate in information sharing, best practices and to obtain the most current and pertinent information needed to carry out the squad's function.

Additionally, due to their expertise, members of the Counter Terrorism squad conducted various blocks of instruction on terrorist and extremist activities during 2010. These courses were held at the Delaware State Police Academy, as well as at seminars throughout the state and conferences across the country.

In 2010, the squad conducted thirty-seven investigations from the Statewide Terrorism Tip line, the FBI Guardian Leads system, and from referrals from Delaware law enforcement agencies.

The squad also provided a Intelligence/Counter-Terrorism overview for all NASCAR Events at Dover Downs, the Dover Air Force Base Air Show (June 2010) and did extensive support work for several classified FBI national security investigations.

The squad provides additional support to overall intelligence operations throughout the state for numerous initiatives.

DSP Maritime Unit

In 2010, the Delaware State Police received a grant to purchase, outfit and maintain a 31' marine vessel in order to provide a maritime law enforcement and homeland security presence along Delaware's waterways. This unit will provide security, intelligence and outreach for our state's critical infrastructure along the waterways. This unit will work in conjunction with the other maritime units in the area to provided coordinated response to the needs of the maritime community in Sector Delaware Bay. This unit is anticipated to be up and running in 2011.

Investigations and Support Unit

The Investigations and Support Unit is under the supervision of Lt. W. Thomas Ford and Sgt. Steven Lawrence. This unit consists of the Intelligence Investigations Squad, the Electronic Surveillance Squad and two investigators assigned to the US Marshall's Task Force and the ATF Task Force.

Intelligence Investigations Squad

The investigators assigned to the Intelligence Investigations squad are tasked with many duties. The investigators are primarily responsible for the vetting and verifying of all incoming gang information related to the identity of particular gang members and gang activity in various communities.

Investigators track crimes associated with particular gangs along with the tracking of gang indicators such as tagging and graffiti. Delaware law enforcement defines a gang as "a group or association of three or more persons who may have a common identifying sign, symbol, or name and who individually or collectively engage in, or have engaged in criminal activity [including juvenile acts that if committed by an adult would be a crime] which creates an atmosphere of fear and intimidation".

During 2010, the street gang investigators and the DIAC analytical staff were able to verify through the Delaware's statewide multi-jurisdictional intelligence system the existence of seventy-nine groups classified as "street gangs," with various sets and cliques containing approximately 720 total identified members.

These gangs take the form of both violent street gangs and outlaw motorcycle gangs. With membership to both forms of gangs on the rise, it is of paramount importance that the law enforcement agencies from throughout the state take a proactive stance. During 2010 street gang investigators once again teamed up with patrol personnel and continued the execution of street gang initiatives throughout the state. These initiatives were financed through funding awarded via the Criminal Justice Council's anti-gang grant.

Intelligence investigators participate in professional organizations, both regionally and nationally. Regionally, the squad is a member of the Combined Law Enforcement Intelligence Group, or CLEIG, which is comprised of members from Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Nationally, the section is a member of the Law Enforcement Intelligence Unit, or LEIU, which has a strong national membership and been in existence since 1958. Other national memberships include GLOBAL's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council, the International Outlaw Motorcycle Gang Investigators Association (IOMGIA), the National Bunco Investigators (NABI), the Mid-Atlantic Gang Investigators Network (MARGIN), and the East Coast Gang Investigators Association (ECGIA). Membership to these organizations ensures the Criminal Intelligence Section and the Delaware State Police are maintaining professional standards in the area of intelligence management and obtaining the most current intelligence information available from credible sources.

Electronic Surveillance Squad

The Electronic Surveillance Squad assists investigative units within DSP as well as local and federal agencies. The Electronic Surveillance squad procures and distributes all video and audio equipment for the Division and is tasked with the maintenance of the electronic equipment throughout the Division. During the course of criminal investigations, detectives assigned to the squad supply detectives in the field with specialized electronic equipment that may be required for a successful case conclusion and prosecution. The squad is also responsible for coordinating all Title III (Oral Intercept) investigations conducted by the division. Case specifics and equipment used by the Electronic Surveillance squad are of a confidential nature to protect the integrity of the investigations and methods used to gather investigative leads. During the 2010 calendar year the unit experienced a significant increase in the number of requests for service. The Electronic Surveillance squad handled 1,755 requests for service, which is a 39% increase over 2009.

The Electronic Surveillance squad continues to be responsible for the training of law enforcement officers throughout Delaware in the use of specialized electronic surveillance equipment. Detectives within the squad continue to test and evaluate the latest and most advanced electronic surveillance equipment available and provide the technical assistance needed to detectives in the field. The investigators from the squad also provide expert advice as it pertains to state and federal laws governing these types of investigations.

The Electronic Surveillance squad is a highly specialized assignment that requires special investigative and technological skills. To enhance these skills, investigators are members of professional organizations such as the National Association of Technical Investigators of America (NATIA) and the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA) working group. Both of these are organizations that are the recognized standard in their field. Membership in these organizations ensures the Electronic Surveillance squad is maintaining professional standards in the areas of digital and wireless communications, complying with requirements of security and records tracking and obtaining the most current information available in this rapidly changing field.

Task Force Investigators

The Delaware State Police provides support to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and the US Marshall for the District of Delaware in the form of two troopers assigned as task force officers. These troopers are assigned full time to the ATF and the US Marshall's Office and are tasked with conducting federal gun crime investigations and locating violent fugitives that are residing in Delaware and/or have committed crimes in Delaware and fled to other jurisdictions. These task force positions allow for the vast resources of these federal agencies to assist Delaware law enforcement officers in the performance of their duties.

High Technology Crimes Unit

The High Technology Crimes Unit (HTCU) is under the supervision of Lt. Robert Moses and Sgt. Kevin Perna.

The HTCU provides all Delaware law enforcement agencies technical and investigative expertise on computer-related crimes. The unit's mission is to provide computer and high technology forensic capabilities, become a resource for law enforcement and government agencies on computer or high tech crime issues, provide training to the public, law enforcement, and government agencies on the threat and awareness of computer crime, and proactively work to identify computer criminals and prevent future cyber crimes.

In 2010, there were 204 calls for service for the High Technology Crimes Unit. These cases were comprised of a wide variety of criminal offenses, including aggravated menacing, attempted kidnapping, assault, burglary, counterfeiting, Internet fraud, harassment, homicide, intelligence, child pornography, rape, robbery, sexual exploitation of minors, terroristic threatening, theft and unauthorized access to computers.

During 2010 the HTCU also worked countless hours on a high profile child sexual abuse case that occurred in Delaware in which prosecution is still pending.

Also housed within the High Technology Crimes unit is the state's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program (ICACTF) helps state and local law enforcement agencies develop an effective response to cyber enticement and child pornography cases. This help encompasses forensic and investigative components, training and technical assistance, victim services and community education.

The program was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the Internet, the proliferation of child pornography, and heightened online activity by predators seeking unsupervised contact with potential underage victims. The FY 1998 Justice Appropriations Act (Pub. L. No. 105-119) directed Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to create a national network of state and local law enforcement cyber units to investigate cases of child sexual exploitation.

The ICAC program is a national network of 61 coordinated task forces representing over 2,000 federal, state, and local law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies. These agencies are engaged in proactive investigations, forensic investigations, and criminal prosecutions. By helping state and local agencies to develop effective, sustainable responses to online child victimization and child pornography, OJJDP has increased their capacity to address Internet crimes against children.

The Delaware State Police, in conjunction with the Delaware Department of Justice, manages Delaware's ICAC Task Force. The ICAC Task Force is commanded by the supervisor of the

division's High Technology Crimes Unit and is co-managed with the Department of Justice. The ICACTF is staffed by sworn Delaware State Troopers, sworn officers from other municipal police agencies throughout the state, sworn federal law enforcement officers, sworn investigators from the Department of Justice as well as a state prosecutor and paralegal support from the Department of Justice.

During 2010 the ICACTF conducted 104 investigations that resulted in 75 search warrants and the arrest of 37 individuals on 1,010 charges related to child pornography and other charges. During the course of these investigations 98 children were removed from an environment where sexual abuse was occurring.

Critical Incident Stress Management Team

Sergeant Francis L. Fuscellaro II

The Delaware State Police Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) Team continues to provide services to law enforcement and emergency service personnel for both state and municipal agencies throughout the state Delaware. The team assists officers and other emergency service personnel with minimizing the harmful effects of job related stress, traumatic stress and personal stressors. The team is dedicated to maintaining strict confidentiality and to respect the thoughts and feelings of the individuals involved.

In 2010, the Delaware State Police CISM team was led by Sgt Francis L Fuscellaro II who took the team over from Capt. Ronald Hagan. The team assistant is Mr. John Shoemaker, a supervisor with Kent County Communications. The team presently consists of fourteen sworn and four civilian members who have received training endorsed by the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation. In 2010, Ed Justiniano retired from the State Police but continues to remain active with the CISM Team as a civilian. In the fall of 2010, Cpl/3 Bret McAfee and Cpl. Donna Saucier were selected as new members.

During the past year, the CISM team assisted non-sworn members of law enforcement and agencies outside of the State of Delaware for the first time by providing CISM services to members of the Attorney General's Office in response to the Earl Bradley Investigation. The team also provided CISM services to members of the Wicomico County Sheriffs Department in Maryland reference the kidnapping and murder of 11 year old, Sarah H. Foxwell.

The year 2010 was a busy year for the Delaware State Police CISM team with forty-six incidents/responses, which included police shootings, military re-integration, fatal accidents, and other traumatic events for law enforcement and emergency service personnel. The team responded to those incidents in an effort to provide support to the involved officers, co-workers

and in some instances family members. The most significant response of 2010 was in providing support for the investigators and members of the Attorney General's office, who were involved with the Earl Bradley Investigation. The CISM team provided numerous peer support contacts, defusings and debriefings over a period of several months. Members of the team attended a training program regarding Child Exploitation Investigations instructed by Dr. Gregg Dwyer from the School of Medicine at the University of South Carolina.

The CISM team continues to work closely with Dr. Ellen Marshall and other police organizations for joint training opportunities. Dr. Marshall serves as a full time Criminal Justice professor at Delaware Technical and Community College in Georgetown, Delaware and volunteers her time as the team's Mental Health Coordinator. She has conducted approximately fifty one-on-one CISM sessions (approximately 130 hours of counseling services), making the team's total number of incidents/responses just under one hundred responses.



Division of Gaming Enforcement

Lieutenant Joseph E. Huttie

The Division of Gaming Enforcement (DGE) was established in January 2010 through the passage of House Bill 310 by the House of Representatives 145th General Assembly. Formally the Video Lottery Enforcement Unit this newly created Division falls under the Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Cabinet Secretary Louis D. Schiliro. In 2010, the General Assembly found that the Delaware State Lottery could expand its lottery operation to include table gaming at three licensed venues, but three essential elements were necessary; consideration, chance and a prize. Even though table game wagers have a different mix of chance and skill, it qualifies as a lottery as long as chance is the predominate factor.

The DGE adopted a collaborative gaming model unique to any other jurisdiction and is currently comprised of a civilian director, five civilian investigators, two casual seasonal investigators, one casual seasonal administrative assistant, a civilian intelligence analyst position and a deputy attorney general. On the sworn side, there are eight sworn Delaware State Police Troopers, one DSP civilian administrative assistant and one Division of Alcohol Tobacco Enforcement (DATE) Agent.

On March 16, 2010, Secretary Schiliro appointed Daniel J. Kelly as Director of the Division of Gaming Enforcement. Director Kelly oversees both civilian and sworn members. He retired as the head of the New Jersey State Police Gaming Enforcement Bureau with more than 20 years of gaming experience and 30 years of law enforcement experience.



DGE criminal operations are under the command of Deputy Director, Lieutenant Joseph E. Huttie. Sergeant Leslie A. Grow supervises Detectives Michael J. Savoy, Neal J. Potts, Mark H. MacMicking, William P. Murray, David M. Hanich, Angela J. Garnsey and DATE Agent Tyler Bryan.

The function of Delaware State Police detectives assigned to the Division of Gaming Enforcement is to provide operational security and integrity to the Delaware State Video Lottery, Sports Lottery and table game operation as required by Delaware Title 29, Chapter 48. The units primary function is to investigate gaming crimes and promote public safety at all Delaware casino venues, collect evidence, maintain records, disseminate information and intelligence gathering related to T-11 1470 gaming statute and prohibited acts. The unit is also responsible for assisting Division of Gaming Enforcement civilian investigators with licensing and background investigations of all Video Lottery Terminal and table game employees.

DGE exercises exclusive jurisdiction for the criminal offenses relating to gaming that occur in a licensed video lottery facility, or which relate to the operation of the Delaware Lottery. The DGE investigates the background, qualifications and suitability of each applicant who requires licensing by the Delaware Lottery and seeks to exclude persons whose presence is inimical to the interest of the Delaware Lottery through the creation of a list of excluded persons. To date, DGE has processed over 3,000 background investigations including investigations of all gaming employees, Commissioners, Delaware State Lottery Inspectors, DGE civilian investigators, agents (casino owners), game manufacturers, service providers and gaming corporations.

The Intelligence Officer (Detective Neal J. Potts) oversees all gaming intelligence for Delaware. He works with the intelligence gaming industry to identify unsavory individuals, groups and businesses attempting to illegally infiltrate any video lottery gaming facility within the state. Detective Potts conducts research, compiles, develops and interpret criminal intelligence from multiple data sources to support DGE gaming investigations. He works closely with federal, state, local police and gaming intelligence agency counterparts to identify gaming scams, cheats and defiant trespassers. The DGE also provides assistance to the Delaware Lottery in the consideration, promulgation and application of its rules and regulations and performs other duties necessary to maintain public confidence and trust in the credibility and integrity of lottery operations, agents and employees.

The DGE also maintains the Delaware Involuntary Gaming Exclusion List data base. There are two types of exclusion list established by lottery regulations. A “self-excluded person” (example, problem gambler) means any person who voluntarily agreed to be excluded from all video lottery agent premises and is prohibited from collecting any winnings or recovering any losses at all licensed video lottery agents. An “involuntary excluded person” may include any person who meets any of the following criteria, (partial list) felony convictions, a crime involving moral turpitude, a violation of the gaming laws of any state, notorious or unsavory reputation which would adversely affect public confidence and trust that the Delaware Lottery is free from criminal or corruptive elements, a career or professional offender, a persons who poses a threat to the safety of the patrons or employees of a video lottery agent or a person with a documented history of conduct involving the undue disruption of the video lottery and/or table games operations of video lottery agents.

Prior to the implementations of table gaming, the Delaware State Lottery hired Spectrum Gaming Group as an independent research and professional service consultant. All three Delaware casinos; Delaware Park, Dover Downs and Harrington Raceway had to make major renovations to their facilities to support full table gaming. Established regulatory provisions imposed strict state control over all persons, locations, practices and associations relating to the operation of licensed agents (casinos). A very aggressive time table was established to get table games implemented.

On May 24, 2010, Harrington Raceway and Casino was the first licensed venue to open a full table gaming operation. DGE assisted with the “soft opening” testing period and inspections. On June 18, 2010, Delaware Park opened it table game operation followed by Dover Downs which opened June 25, 2010. Currently there are 87 table games at Delaware Park, 58 table games at Dover Downs and 49 table games at Harrington Raceway. The games include; blackjack, poker, craps, roulette, Texas hold em and Pai Gow to name a few.

In June 2010, DGE began operation at a temporary office space located at the Blue Hen Corporate Center in Dover. DGE again moved in December 2010 to its permanent office located at the Blue Hen Corporate Center 655 South Bay Road Suite 1-A Dover, Delaware 19903 (302-526-5850). Unit detectives also have offices located at each casino.

During the six months of operation in 2010, detectives handled 252 complaints, 26 felony complaints and 158 misdemeanor complaints. 145 gaming complaints were investigated with 178 gaming related charges, 105 felony charges and 201 misdemeanor charges. Underage gambling and drinking is a primary focus of the DATE agent. Over 1,100 individuals were carded by DGE with 31 being arrested for underage gambling, 6 for underage drinking and 6 others for defiant trespass. DGE assisted outside agencies with 39 investigations and generated 83 security bulletins.

In November 2010, DGE hosted and facilitated a gaming intelligence conference at Troop 2. Representatives from PSP Gaming Unit, NJSP DGE, PSP Intelligence Unit, DIAC and FBI attended.

As Delaware gaming moves forward in 2011, the Division of Gaming Enforcement remains committed to providing a safe and secure gaming environment utilizing specialized training, advanced technologies and intelligence sharing networks.

Executive Protection Unit

Sergeant Robert Kracyla

The primary mission for the Executive Protection Unit (EPU) is to provide security for the Governor against assassination, assault and accidental death or injury. Additionally, the EPU unit is tasked with:

- Coordinating the Governor’s schedule
- Advance location and routes of future event sites
- Investigate threats against Governor
- Liaison with other local, state and federal agencies in order to maximize the safety and efficiency of the Governor’s travel.

The EPU unit consists of five Troopers to include: Sgt. Robert Kracyla, Cpl/3 Jim Rossi, Cpl/3 Henry Speed, Cpl/3 Andrea Boone and Cpl/1 Melissa Ivans. EPU is primarily charged with the protection of Governor Jack A. Markell and the First Family. On a limited basis and under high threat circumstances the EPU unit will extend its protective detail services to include Lt. Governor Matthew Denn as well as Delaware’s Federal Congressional Delegation.

During the calendar year of 2010, in addition to his duties as Governor of the State of Delaware, Governor Markell served as the:

- Chairman of Democratic Governor’s Association
- Chairman of the Education, Early Childhood and Workforce Committee of the National Governors Association (NGA)
- Vice Chair of the NGA Economic Development and Commerce Committee
- Serves on the National Assessment Governing Board

As a result of Governor Markell’s election to such prestigious positions he was tasked with appearances at several prominent events around the country in support of the Democratic Governor’s Association. The Delaware State Police EPU unit provided the Governor with security at all in state and out of state functions.

Typically, the EPU will advance and escort the Governor on any official event to include: business visit, lectures, meetings, public town halls, legislative hall events, Washington DC events and meetings, social events, charity events and any

other events where the Governor is serving in an official capacity.

During 2010 Governor Markell attended many high profile events to include:

- The funeral of Vice President Biden's mother in Odessa.
- National Governor's Conference in DC and Boston.
- Democratic Governor Association events in DC, California, Texas, North Carolina, Colorado, Chicago, Florida and New York City.
- Business visit to China and Taiwan.
- Business visit to Germany and the United Kingdom.
- In state holiday parades, award presentations, charity events, along with many other miscellaneous events.

Delaware State Police EPU provided assistance along with the host state EPU teams in providing the Governor and his family the security and logistical support needed to ensure a safe and efficient movements in an out of the State of Delaware

During the spring of 2010 The Governor and First Lady hosted the National Governor's Association Spousal Conference. The Spousal Conference brought seventeen Governor First Lady's from around the country to Delaware for three days. With the support of additional Troopers to assist in security and transportation of dignitaries the Conference was a huge success.

Additionally, during the spring of 2010, Delaware State Police Executive Protection Unit hosted a Dignitary Protection Course instructed by the United States Department of State Diplomatic Services Unit. This 3-day course attended by DSP EPU and members of DSP SORT provided instruction in threat assessment, dignitary movements and formations, motorcade movements and tactics.

The DSP EPU team has provided Governor Markell and the First Family a tactical mindset for survival and safety. EPU understands the mission of protecting the Governor and his family and providing him with the highest level of security possible



Explosive Ordnance Disposal Unit

Sergeant Chris Ennis

The Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Team's mission has evolved immensely since 9/11. Not only do our bomb technicians continue to place themselves in harms way responding to hazardous calls but today our EOD team serves in multiple roles. Our team has been tasked with providing assistance in the emergency preparedness discipline and is frequently called to service to assist the U.S. Secret Service with protective details for our most famous Delawarean, Vice President Joe Biden.

Each of our ten bomb technicians operate with a part time assignment. Every member is required to attend the monthly, three-day training sessions to keep their skills honed. Considering the technically advanced equipment needed to perform our mission, little down-time is found during training days.

Our team members have continued to prepare themselves for the country's emerging terror threat, Homemade Explosives. Terrorists have found it harder than ever before to obtain commercially made explosives such as Ammonium Nitrate, one of the explosives used in the Oklahoma City bombing. The advancement of explosive detection equipment has also helped deter terrorist's plans to smuggle explosives aboard all forms of mass transportation. To counter these preventative measures, terrorists, both foreign and domestic have turned to common chemicals found in local home improvement, beauty supply, and pool supply stores. The energy produced from these homemade explosives rival that of the most powerful commercially available explosive.

The DSP-EOD Team believes that by educating all first responders, security officers, hotel and motel employees, and various other public works employees on what key indicators to be on the lookout for, these force multipliers will become the eyes and ears for the Delaware State Police. A direct result of this training was the reduction in the number of suspicious package calls we received in 2010.

In October, the DSP-EOD Team participated in the second annual Delaware State Police Hometown Security Conference. The conference was attended by over one hundred fifty Law Enforcement Officers from thirty-one different agencies throughout Delaware. The EOD Team provided extensive training on identifying pre-cursors used in the manufacture of homemade explosives and how to properly respond to suspicious package or IED calls. The highlight of the presentation was the explosives range demonstration showing the explosive energy of homemade explosives made from common household chemicals. Already in Delaware, we have experienced an upswing in calls for service where homemade explosives are the key element in IED's.

Throughout the year, members of the EOD Team were called for service 162 times, a pace that rivals that of most full time teams. The most common calls for service include, 13) Improvised Explosive/Hazardous Devices, 24) Suspicious Packages, 25) Protective/Preventative Sweeps, 27) recoveries of explosives, fireworks, and other hazardous items, 31) first responder/community awareness presentations, 9) times assisting other units within the division.

The Delaware State Police EOD Team has shown adaptability and perseverance by growing with this continuously evolving field and threats against our way of life. Today's threats are more alarming than ever before due to the ingenuity of our adversaries and easy access to explosive components worldwide. In fact, DSP has been recognized as a leader in the

industry by using techniques outside of the traditional EOD paradigm. While continuing to utilize specialized equipment and attending advanced training, our EOD Team will remain prepared to face threats against our communities and critical infrastructure facilities on a moments notice. Our motto of “Initial Success... Or Total Failure” is a constant reminder to our technicians of the perilous challenges we must successfully conquer with each and every mission. Failure is not an option.

Fiscal Control Section

Ms. Sandra L. Frazier

In conjunction with the Administrative Officer - Budget, the Fiscal Control Section assists in the overall development, management and administration of the division’s budget within the framework of all prevailing state, federal, and divisional laws, rules, regulations and policies. Specifically, Fiscal Control insures compliance with all Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as promulgated by the Delaware Department of Finance and the Office of Management and Budget, pre-audits all financial obligations for the Division, ensures authenticity before processing, and ensures compliance with all purchasing procedures. The Fiscal Control Section is currently staffed with one Controller - Eugene M. Sharp, one Senior Fiscal Administrator - Sandra L. Frazier, one Accountant - Terri Wright, three Accounting Specialists - Florence Cephas - Rachel Dukes - Irene McDonald, and one casual seasonal employee - Jacquelyn Jarman.

The goal of the Fiscal Control Section is to provide efficient and professional financial services to the Division. To achieve this goal, members of the Section strive to 1) Pay all bills in a timely manner and in accordance with all prevailing state, departmental, divisional and federal laws, rules, regulations and policies, 2) Make recommendations to the Administrative Officer concerning the appropriate internal allocation of funds to the Division’s cost centers, 3) Provide expertise to the Executive Staff for the development of the Division’s annual budget, 4) Provide the Executive Staff with expertise in the determination of the fiscal impact of various proposals, and 5) Coordinate the fiscal implementation of those proposals.

During 2010, members of the section continued to support the Delaware State Police Executive Staff by developing cost estimates associated with the size and timing of recruit classes, advising senior management on the budgetary impact of increased overtime usage, and the monitoring of the division’s finances as it relates to the State’s economic situation. Recommendations made for budget reductions to address the State’s declining revenue environment and analyzed proposed legislation for its financial and operational impact upon the Division.

The State of Delaware new accounting system, First State Financials (FSF) went live July 2010. The Fiscal employees attended numerous weeks of training over a period of several

months to become familiar with and to navigate the new system.

Homicide Unit

Captain Ralph H. Davis, III

The Delaware State Police Homicide Section is comprised of three distinct and unique units; the Homicide Unit, the Forensic Firearms Services Unit and the Crime Lab. These units are staffed by talented civilian and sworn Divisional employees with specialized training and advanced education allowing them to detect crimes, identify suspects and prosecute the offenders in Delaware courts.

Established in 1989, the Delaware State Police (DSP) Homicide Unit is comprised of five sworn members and one civilian administrative assistant. The primary responsibilities of the Homicide Unit include the investigation of homicides, suspicious deaths and missing persons in which the person is suspected to be deceased. The Homicide Unit also investigates officer involved uses of deadly force, attempted murders and selected assaults. In addition to new investigations, the Homicide Unit is responsible for investigating “cold case” homicides.

During 2010 the Homicide Unit investigated a total of 28 new cases. The Unit provided investigative assistance to all DSP criminal troops and allied law enforcement agencies in numerous death and missing person investigations. Of the 28 new cases investigated by Unit members, eleven were homicide investigations, the last occurring at 11:28 p.m. on December 31. Arrests were made in ten of the eleven homicide investigations. The Unit also investigated three police officer involved use of force cases. In addition, seven murder cases from previous years were adjudicated in the court system with findings of guilt or guilty pleas during 2010 and Unit members cleared three cold cases.

This year the Homicide Unit hosted the 15th Annual Homicide Conference in Dover. This annual event is recognized as one of the premiere conferences in the nation dealing with the investigation of suspicious deaths. Approximately 170 criminal investigators representing 50 law enforcement agencies from the northeast region attended the conference, which included several nationally recognized speakers. Topics included crime scene management, blood spatter analysis, domestic related homicides, interview and interrogation and forensic pathology. The conference also included a presentation by Secretary Lewis Schiliro of the Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security regarding domestic and international terrorism and a cruise aboard the Cape May/Lewes Ferry.

In 2010, two newly assigned investigators joined the Unit. Detective Mark Ryde, formerly of the Troop 3 Criminal Investigations Unit, and Detective David Chorlton, formerly of the Troop 2 Drug Task Force, joined administrative assistant

Ms. Debra Powell, veteran investigator Detective William Porter and the Unit supervisor Sergeant Robert Hudson to form a team of highly skilled investigators. This combination of youth and experience led to a near perfect clearance rate for 2010 homicide investigations.

Within the DSP Homicide Unit is the Forensic Firearms Services Unit (FFSU). The FFSU was created in November 2006 to assist all law enforcement agencies in Delaware with the investigation of gun related and other violent crimes by examining all recovered firearms and ballistic related evidence collected during criminal investigations. The FFSU is staffed by Detective John Ubil who serves as the IBIS technician and Mr. Carl Rone who is the certified forensic firearms examiner.

From November 2006 through December 2010, 2,534 firearm related investigations were submitted to the FFSU for examination. During 2010, 538 firearms related cases, 34 murder investigations, 406 firearms, 1,061 cartridge cases, and 243 bullet specimens were submitted to the Unit, which provided forensic firearms services to 20 Delaware law enforcement agencies. In addition to the submissions received by the FFSU, 96 IBIS/Brasstrax ballistic case matches were confirmed. The FFSU also offered services such as firearm serial number restoration, gun shot residue testing, bullet trajectory work and tool mark examinations to Delaware investigative agencies.

Since its inception, the Delaware State Police Crime Lab has provided services for numerous local and municipal police departments, federal agencies and the Delaware State Police. Under the direction of Mrs. Julie Willey, the Crime Lab is staffed by four civilian employees. The lab is composed of four units specializing in blood and breath alcohol analysis, hairs and fibers analysis, and forensic and general photography.

Director Willey, and forensic chemists Mrs. Deborah Louie and Mrs. Cynthia McCarthy conduct the alcohol analysis on all DUI/alcohol and DUI/drug cases (except fatal accidents) statewide. In 2010 approximately 1,868 blood alcohol cases were submitted for analysis. Additionally, the DSP Crime Lab is the sole state lab responsible for the calibration checks of the Intoxilyzer instruments utilized for breath alcohol analysis as well as the training of operators of the instrumentation. Two hundred and ninety-four Intoxilyzer calibration checks were performed and 121 new operators certified in 2010. Members of the Lab also made 23 Intoxilyzer repairs during the year. As a result of the statewide service, the Crime Lab staff received 1,853 subpoenas to appear in Delaware courts during 2010.

The Photography Unit is staffed by Ms. Elisa Vassas. Ms. Vassas provides a wide variety of photographic services to all Delaware law enforcement agencies, to include the Delaware Office of Highway Safety and the Office of the Secretary of Safety and Homeland Security as well as the Governor's Office. Services include portrait photography, ceremony photography, storage of digital photographs taken by members of DSP crash reconstruction and evidence detection units and responses to requests for non-electronic photographs. Ms.

Vassas also provided digital photographs upon request to attorneys, to include members of the Delaware Department of Justice and defense attorneys, in criminal and civil cases. Additionally, Ms. Vassas provided instruction regarding crime scene photographic techniques at the DSP Academy. In 2010, Ms. Vassas took approximately 1,356 photographs, received 613 CDs from DSP evidence detection and crash reconstruction units for storage, and produced 60 CDs for attorneys.

In addition to the above services provided by the Crime Lab, Director Willey also performs calibration checks of the Ionscan instrument maintained by the Delaware National Guard. The Ionscan is used to detect trace amounts of illegal drugs and explosives. As cost center manager, Director Willey also manages funds allocated for the purchase of supplies used by the Forensic Firearms Services Unit, the Homicide Unit, the Crime Lab and the three statewide DSP evidence detection units. Director Willey also serves as the DSP forensic microscopist and conducts hair and fiber analysis upon request.

As we move into the new year, the members of the Delaware State Police Homicide Section remain committed to serving the residents and visitors of our state with the highest quality of service possible. Unit members look forward to meeting the new challenges in crime fighting through continued and specialized training as well as the utilization of the latest advanced technology in forensics.



Honor Guard Unit

Captain Jason H. Sapp

During the course of 2010 the Delaware State Police Honor Guard Unit saw a number of changes within its command structure. With Captain Melissa Zebley's promotion to the rank of Major, Captain Jason Sapp and Lt. Jennifer Griffin were elevated to the positions of Unit Commander and Assistant OIC respectively. These changes also resulted in Sgt. Jeffrey Whitmarsh, Cpl/3 Gary Fournier and Cpl/3 Lad Dick stepping into the roles of County Coordinator for New Castle, Kent and Sussex Counties respectively.

At the conclusion of 2010 the Unit was comprised of forty-seven active members statewide. These Troopers, as has always been the tradition of the Honor Guard Unit, must demonstrate sound character, good military bearing, exceptional maintenance of their uniforms and be willing to give of their time to represent the Division in honorable fashion. During the course of 2010 the Unit conducted six training sessions. During four of these sessions the Unit cross-trained with members of the University of Delaware Police Department's Honor Guard Unit, a trend which the Unit's leadership hopes to continue and expand upon.

In 2010, the Honor Guard Unit participated in twenty-nine events. The unit participated in DSP annual memorial service events in May at the DSP Academy and Legislative Hall and in

December during the St. Polycarp's Memorial Mass. The Unit also played a key role in the dedication of the Delaware Law Enforcement Memorial at Legislative Hall in May. In addition, the Unit participated in numerous other events sponsored by the Division, including promotional ceremonies, conferences, recruit graduations, and perhaps most notably a ceremony commemorating the 40th Anniversary of the Delaware State Police Aviation Section.

The unit also participated in twelve funerals, including the services of several retired DSP members: Corporal Gregory 'Bo' Sarley, Staff Captain John W. Walls Jr. and Corporal Edward 'Ward' Gagnon. Unit members also took part in the memorial services for former Governor Sherman W. Tribbett.

Lastly, members of the Honor Guard Unit represented the Division at the funeral services of the following brother and sister officers that were killed in the line of duty during 2010: Trooper Paul Richey (Pennsylvania State Police), Trooper Jill Mattice (New York State Police), Officer Thomas Jensen (Prince George's County Maryland Police), Trooper Marc Castellano (New Jersey State Police), TFC Wesley Brown (Maryland State Police), Sgt. Douglas Weddleton (Massachusetts State Police) and Det. Brian Stevenson (Baltimore City Maryland Police).

Human Resources Office

Captain Alice Bailey

The Human Resources Office of the Delaware State Police (DSP) is responsible for the design and management of formal systems to ensure the effective and efficient use of human talent to accomplish the organizations goals. The procurement of organizational objectives requires focusing on tasks and concerns relative to Staffing, Compensation and Employee Benefits, Health and Wellness, Employee Development, Labor/Management Relations and Equal Employment Opportunities/Affirmative Action compliance.

To successfully accomplish this goal, the office - under the continued leadership of Captain Alice Bailey, Director - is comprised of three full-time troopers, one temporarily assigned trooper and twelve civilian employees. Last year observed three notable changes within the leadership team of the section; the Assistant Director, Lt. Jason Sapp, was promoted to Captain and assumed command of the State Bureau of Identification in July, the Career Development Officer and Sworn Recruitment Supervisor, Sgt. Alexander Peterson, was transferred to the Training Academy to oversee the instruction of new recruits and Civilian Office Manager, Lisa McKnatt, retired after thirty years of dedicated service to the citizens of Delaware.

Lt. Joshua A. Bushweller, who served as the Patrol Lieutenant of Troop 3, was tapped to assume the Deputy Director Position in the section, newly promoted Sgt. Tonya Widdoes became

the divisions Career Development Officer and oversees the Recruiting efforts and Mrs. Monica Holmes was promoted from Senior Human Resource Technician to fulfill the vacant Civilian Office Manager position. This current leadership team, which also includes one other Civilian Manager, Ms. Rhonda Davis, is grateful for the continued effort of the women and men who comprise the section who are responsible for performing the myriad of services to over 900 employees of the DSP.

Some of the vital services performed within the unit include:

- Contract negotiations
- Handling grievances and lawsuits
- Sworn and civilian hiring
- Administering the performance appraisal system
- Recruitment and retention of DSP employees
- Employee Assistance Program
- Administration of the random drug testing program
- Equal Employment Opportunity complaints
- Family Medical Leave Act
- Workman's compensation
- Payroll and benefits
- Military deployments
- Maintenance of employee's personnel files
- Pension applications

The efficient and effective delivery of these services is a direct result of the following members of the section who work diligently at ensuring the timely response to the needs of the division's employees. Sgt. Alexander Peterson, Sgt. Tonya Widdoes, Cpl/3 Marty McWilliams, Mrs. Kristy Tuxward, Mrs. Gail Turner, Ms. Vanessa Laughman, Ms. Ashley Torbert, Mrs. Connie Hudson, Mrs. Cindi Konnick, Mrs. Doris Barr, Ms. Phyllis Dossett and Ms. Marietta Darden.

Analysis of the division's sworn personnel specific to ingress and egress from the agency in 2010 observed twenty-four new hires, seventeen retirees receiving their pensions and nine resignations. Of the civilian contingent, twenty-two new hires were observed, eleven resignations, and four retirees received their pensions. Lastly, seven new casual seasonal employees were hired and nine casual seasonal employees resigned.

In an effort to continue best practices in the realm of Human Resource Management, the section continued its efforts in providing training opportunities for its members. Some of the training highlights include Mrs. Monica Holmes attending the Air National Guard Business and Industry Days Program in Knoxville, Tennessee. This program, aimed at forging partnerships amongst business leaders in various disciplines with the Air National Guard, concentrates on leadership skill building. Mrs. Holmes was one of the several Delaware representatives that attended the Northeastern Summit in April, which included ten other states. Additionally, Sgt. Alexander Peterson was instrumental in establishing a working relationship with Dale Carnegie and utilizing the company to provide leadership training to over twenty Trooper-Recruiters. Finally, Sgt. Tonya

Widdoes attended a conference held by the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, which focused on Charting a Path Toward Equal Employment. This valuable training ensures the divisions commitment towards maintaining



a healthy work environment that focuses on equality.

Progressing into 2011, the Human Resources Office remains committed to providing fairness, consistency, and quality personalized service to DSP employees and the public.

The office and its members will continue the balanced approach towards its business practices in an effort to maintain excellence in the divisions Human Resource functions.

Information Technology Section

Major Michael McDonald (DSP Ret.)

The Information Technology Section is comprised of two separate areas; Computer/Network Applications and Support; and Audit/Training/and Validations.

The Section Chief of Information Technology Section is Michael J. McDonald, a retired Major who served 21 years as a Trooper. In his twelfth year, Mr. McDonald is responsible for management oversight of the entire section. This position also represents the State Police and the State of Delaware with the FBI's National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and The International Justice and Public Safety Information Sharing Network (Nlets). Mr. McDonald also represents the Superintendent of the State Police to the DELJIS Board of Managers where he serves as Chairman of this eleven member board having statutory oversight of criminal history records and criminal justice data in Delaware.

Information Technology is supported annually by a general fund operating budget of approximately \$1.4 million dollars with supplemental funding from federal grants for major projects.

Training/Audit/Validations

The Audit/Training/and Validations area within the section oversees the audit and training functions for compliance with the Division's role as the Control Terminal Agency for NCIC and the Nlets. Mrs. Barbara J. Pollitt, with the Division twenty-seven years, serves as the Division's Auditor and is the recognized subject matter expert for NCIC and Nlets. A former helpdesk casual seasonal employee, Mr. Eric M. McNatt, with the Division six years, serves as the Division's Trainer and assists with the quality control program for NCIC. Mrs. Linda C. Johnson, with the Division nine years, assists with the training and audit function duties and handles the administrative

tasks of this area as our lone casual seasonal employee. The Auditor and Trainer oversee the quality control function, conduct annual audits of user agencies, train and oversee user access for both the NCIC system and the Nlets network and support over 7,500 statewide users of these two national systems. Their combined efforts help provide and maintain critical officer safety information to all of Delaware's law enforcement community. In addition, their efforts also support other criminal justice users of these systems; information vital to the administration of criminal and, in some cases, civil justice in Delaware.

Application Support and Development

This area of the Information Technology Section is comprised of employees who have developed and supported applications that affect everyday operations in the Division's role within public safety. Some applications are supported both by section personnel as well as the vendor who provided the application. For example, New World Systems Computer Aided Dispatch (NWSCAD) is used by our 911 center dispatchers to manage the State Police response to emergency calls for service from the public. This system is internally supported by Jim Seydell, a 42-year veteran of the Division. Jim has worked with this solution since its inception by the Division and currently is working on the DSP enhancements like CAD to CAD interface and CAD web-view. The CAD to CAD interface has allowed NWSCAD users at different agencies to transfer calls between call centers or Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) eliminating phone calls and wasting precious time when responding to emergency calls. CAD web-view development has given leadership at each troop as well as for special events a real-time status of calls in-progress and overview of asset deployment that has had earned very positive feedback thus far.

The section's programming staff consists of Terri Shapter, a 30-year veteran and Senior Lead Developer; Brandon Hart, Senior Application Support Specialist and Trafmore King, Application Support Specialist. This team of developers has created many customized applications to meet the unique requirements of the Division. One such application is the time sheet accounting software that tracks twenty-eight different categories and allows Human Resources to create executive summary reports and manage the oversight of leave balances, overtime, and actual time worked. Already deployed to our civilian employees, efforts are underway to now deploy the application to our sworn officers. This application is also preparing the Division to be able to interface with PHRST, the State's account system.

Network Operation Center (NOC)

The NOC was led by Ken Allen, a 20-year Air Force veteran who acted as the Division's network administrator and Information Security Officer. Recently promoted to manager of the Information Technology Support Services area, Ken has been employed with the Division for four years. The other two key members of the team consist of John Caskey, a Network Technician III and Josh Austin, Network Technician II; both being recently promoted in the technician series. This team is

responsible for every type of technology deployed by the Division, valued at over \$4.5 million dollars, that transverses the Division's segment of the state network. This section will be critical in the upcoming technology expansion project to modernize the patrol vehicles with digital in-car video recorders replacing the existing deployed VHS systems. This multi-million dollar project will create the infrastructure and storage for events recorded from patrol vehicle digital cameras that can be retrieved immediately on an as needed basis.

Helpdesk

The Information Technology Support Services helpdesk is the Division's first-line of support for all Divisional users. For some software application like our user interface for access to NCIC and Nlets, this group also provides first-line support beyond the Division. The helpdesk is currently comprised of two people; Johnathan Welch, a six year veteran and David Higgins who has been with us for one year. Both gentlemen have been recently promoted and handle approximately 3,200 calls for service annually. These calls range from single user issues to system wide outages. Jonathan and David also handle a large majority of asset deployment and field level repairs for deployed equipment. In addition, helpdesk personnel also triage technology service calls and elevate them appropriately to level two support when needed.

Mobile Data Computer (MDC) Technicians

The MDC technicians are recently promoted Network Tech II Bob Morgan and Network Technician Edward Bates. This team is responsible for the management of \$2.2 million dollars of mobile technology deployed in the Division's fleet of vehicles. The support rendered by this small team is critical to the Division's field operations and overall mission due to our dependency on technology. The applications supported here via the MDC are the life blood of the Division as patrol troopers gain access to the necessary suite of law enforcement applications that allow them to document investigations and enforcement activities as well as providing access to critical databases necessary to protecting our citizens. The MDC team has been proactive to the troopers' needs and is currently configuring their MDC service vehicle to provide mobile site visits to the various troops so troopers will not have to drive to Dover for maintenance. This team will also be an intricate part of the digital in-car recording system project as they will be responsible for the future installation of the recorders after the vendor completes the initial installations.

Legal Section

W. Michael Tupman
Deputy Attorney General

The Attorney General's Office has designated one Deputy Attorney General to provide legal advice to the Division in all civil matters. The DAG will advise Internal Affairs in all investigations and case reviews and prosecute cases before Divisional Trial Boards and appeals to the Secretary; advise the

Human Resources Office on personnel matters, including Fair Labor Standards Act, Family Medical Leave Act, Uniformed Services Employment and Re-Employment Rights Act, and the federal and state anti-discrimination laws and to respond to all charges of discrimination filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and Delaware Department of Labor; advise the State Bureau of Identification on Sex Offender Registry, Firearms Transaction Approval Program, expungement and civil subpoena issues; advise the Training Academy on training, certification, and de-certification issues; and advise the Professional Licensing Unit on professional regulation issues.

The DAG will also be legal counsel to the Council on Police Training, the Criminal Justice Council, the Board of Managers of the Delaware Criminal Justice Information System, the Board of Examiners of Constables and the Board of Examiners of Private Investigators and Private Security Agencies. The DAG will provide regular training on Fourth Amendment and other law enforcement issues at Commander's Meetings, Annual In-Service Training and for Recruit Classes at the Training Academy. The DAG will advise the Division on all contract, sole source/critical need waivers, regulations, FOIA/public information requests and draft and review legislation.

Legislative Liaison

Sergeant Darren J. Lester

The purpose of the Delaware State Police Legislative Liaison Office is to serve as a liaison between the Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security and Delaware's elected officials of the legislative and executive branches. There are nine divisions within the DSHS which includes the Delaware Developmental Disabilities Council, the State Council for Person with Disabilities, the Division of Gaming Enforcement, the Delaware Emergency Management Agency, the Office of Highway Safety, the Delaware Bureau of Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement, the Division of Communications, the Capitol Police Department and the Division of State Police. The Legislative Liaison Office helps prepare legislation and answers questions the Governor's Office, members of the General Assembly, and representatives from other Delaware departments may have in regard to legislation which impacts any of the Department's divisions. The Legislative Liaison Office also handles constituent relation questions brought to it by Legislators.

During the most recent legislative session, the 145th General Assembly, the Division was fortunate to have the support of the Governor and legislators which resulted in the passage of the following bills that were of significant benefit to the Division.

HB# 226 - Enhanced the penalties involving the carrying of a concealed deadly weapon, when the weapon is a firearm, (class "G" to "D" felony).

- HB # 229 - Prohibit “cell phone & text-messaging” while driving.
- HB #299 - Additions of medical technicians, fire police, fire marshals and paramedics to 1st responders listed as “special victims” for assault.
- HB # 310 - Operation of “table games” by the Delaware Lottery.
- HB # 388 - Enhanced Penalties for out-of-state vehicle owners who reside in Delaware & fail to register their vehicles in our state.
- HB #448 - “Blue Alert”

- SB#197 - “Strangulation”
- SB#307 - Fines dealing with “State of Emergency”
- SB#235 - “Delaware Prescription Monitoring Program Act”
- SB#306 - Tiered “State of Emergency” driving restrictions.

Office of Professional Responsibility

Captain Tom Logan

The citizens of Delaware hold the Delaware State Police in high regard. Members of the Delaware State Police must set the tone for all law enforcement agencies in our state. The public expects members of our agency to act with integrity, reliability and trustworthiness. To accomplish and maintain the esteem placed upon its members, Delaware State Troopers must acknowledge, uphold and revere the core values of the Delaware State Police: Honor, Integrity, Courage, Loyalty, Attitude, Discipline and Service.

The citizens we serve have an expectation that those who are vested with the responsibility of enforcing the laws of this state, as well as civilian employees, will hold fast to the standards of professional and individual conduct to preserve the respect, confidence and cooperation of society.

The public image of the Delaware State Police is, to a large degree, determined by the way the Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) responds to allegations of misconduct of its employees. The OPR, formerly referred to as Internal Affairs, is an essential function designed to maintain professional conduct, integrity and discipline of each employee. OPR is responsible for investigating allegations of misconduct and conducting investigations to ensure compliance with Divisional rules and regulations and the Code of Ethics. OPR is readily accessible to citizens via telephone, letter, Internet or in person.

In addition to its primary duties, OPR maintains an active role in training supervisors and recruits. Supervisors are instructed on the proper handling of citizen complaints and investigative protocol in accordance with the Law Enforcement Officer’s Bill of Rights. Recruits are also acquainted with the function of OPR, including an overview of rules, regulations and job performance standards.

In 2010, Captain Sean Moriarty, Lieutenant Roger Willey, Lieutenant Thomas Logan and Ms. Elizabeth Seay were assigned to the office. In May 2010, Ms. Seay retired from the Division after thirty years of service. OPR office was very fortunate to have Mrs. Charlotte Stepnowski join the team replacing Ms. Seay. In September 2010, Captain Moriarty left the unit and was appointed Commander of Troop 4 in Georgetown. Lieutenant Logan was promoted to Captain and assumed command of OPR. Additionally, in September 2010, Lieutenant Tim Hulings was assigned to OPR joining the team after serving at Troop 2 in Glasgow.

In 2010, the Office of Professional Responsibility investigated seventeen citizen’s complaints and twenty-one administrative complaints.



Pipes & Drums

Lieutenant Dan Meadows

The DSP Pipes and Drums is a Division of the DSP Honor Guard Unit and currently consist of eighteen performing members, which includes one civilian drum instructor. Lieutenant Danny Meadows serves as the Pipe Major and is responsible for the various administrative duties related to the band. Pam Coupe continues to provide administrative support with scheduling and event tracking duties.

In 2010, the band performed at a total of forty-three events to include five events performed to honor members of the Delaware Army National Guard that were deployed or were returning from active duty. In addition, on July 20, 2010, the band was pleased to play in honor of Cpl. Daniel Salfas and Cpl. Shannon King who also returned from their service in the 108th Civil Engineering Squadron of the N.J. Air National Guard in Baghdad, Iraq. Upon his return, Cpl. Salfas resumed his position with the Delaware State Police Pipes and Drums as the Drum Major.



Thirteen of these events were funerals. Unfortunately, five of the funerals were for emergency personnel who gave their lives in the performance of their duties. This included the loss of Baltimore City PD Officer Tom Portz who was lost in a collision. This also included the funeral for Trooper Wesley Brown of the Maryland State Police. Trooper Brown was shot to death June 11, 2010 while working in Forestville, MD.

In May of 2010, the DSP Pipes and Drums continued the tradition of performances during memorial services at the DSP Academy and Legislative Hall. These events were to honor our brothers and sisters in law enforcement who have made the sacrifice of their own lives in the preservation of public safety.

Other notable performances of 2010 were headlined by performances at the graduation ceremonies of the 81st Delaware State Police Academy Class, the 72nd Municipal Police Class, and the 82nd Delaware State Police/ 73rd Municipal Academy classes. The band also continued with annual appearances at the Winterthur's Point-To-Point Steeplechase Horse Race and the Opening Ceremonies of the Delaware Special Olympics.

The band continues to honor requests for playing at opening ceremonies of Divisional events. The band also makes appearances at community events that involve the Delaware State Police.

Planning and Research Section

Captain John A. Campanella

The Delaware State Police Planning and Research Section Unit underwent two changes in 2010. First, newly promoted Capt. John Campanella succeeded Capt. Reader in July as the new Commander of the section. Secondly, the Inspection and Accreditation Section joined the Planning Section to form one unit. Currently, there are two sworn Troopers and one civilian assigned to Planning and Research and two sworn Troopers dedicated to Inspections and Accreditation.

The Planning and Research Section continued to play an important role in the transformation of the Division from a traditional, reactive police agency, to an intelligence-led public service agency. Members of the section analyzed criminal and traffic related data, reporting the findings to the Delaware State Police Executive Staff and a variety of organizations within and outside the Division. The information provided was used to make informed decisions regarding the allocation of personnel and material resources; budgetary requests and allocations; and policy decisions regarding the operation of the Division.

The Planning and Research Section facilitated events and meetings such as the DSP Chaplain's Memorial and the DSP Memorial Service. These events honor those who serve the citizens of the State of Delaware in an exemplary fashion and those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to the State of Delaware. The section also facilitated the Troopers' and

Civilian Forums. These forums allowed the Executive Staff to meet with troopers and civilians to gain valuable input into the operation and future direction of the Division.

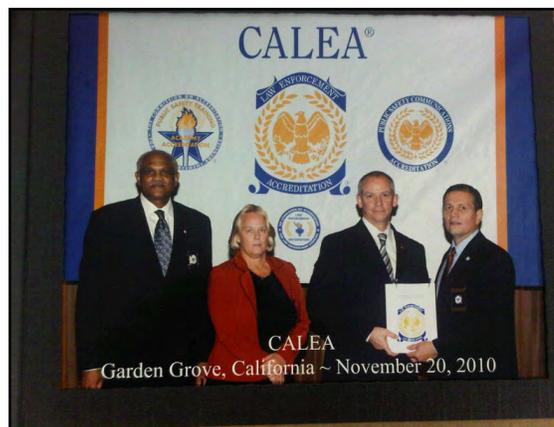
The members of the section continued to serve on a variety of councils and committees. Members of the section responded to surveys from other law enforcement agencies, conducted research in the areas of proposed laws, updated or assisted in creating new policy, studied staff allocation and conducted new building analysis. Furthermore, Sgt. Charles Sawchenko secured several grants that brought in money to purchase MDC's, tasers, life saving equipment and vehicles. In total, Sgt. Sawchenko monitored over \$5.5 million in nine separate grants. The unit also facilitated the monthly Commander's meeting and managed other projects.

Ms. Tammy Hyland, the sole DSP management/data analyst, works closely with the division's Traffic Control Section and the Delaware Office of Highway Safety. Ms. Hyland conducted analysis of traffic crash and enforcement data and provided information to members of both groups to aid in their efforts to make Delaware's roadways safer.

The members of the Planning and Research Section played an important role in the success of the Delaware State Police in 2010 and look forward to the challenges that will be presented in 2011.

Staff Inspections and Accreditation

The Staff Inspections and Accreditation Office's primary responsibility is to assure that the Division's policies and procedures comply with the 464 standards established by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). Additionally this unit is responsible for maintaining, reviewing, revising/updating and distributing all Divisional policies and SOP's.



CALEA was formed to establish a body of standards designed to promote "Best Practices" in policing. In addition the Commission was formed to develop an accreditation process that provides agencies an opportunity to voluntarily demonstrate that they meet an established set of professional standards.

In 1988 the Delaware State Police became the first department in Delaware to attain accreditation by CALEA. This is an ongoing commitment consisting of a self-assessment, mock assessment and a comprehensive on-site inspection by CALEA assessors every three years. During the on-site inspection by the assessors, the Division must demonstrate compliance with all of the standards, at every facility, and be able to prove we have complied with all standards during the previous three years. Staffed by Sgt. Wendy S. Nichols and Cpl/3 Carrie Border, the office accomplishes this task by maintaining files and proofs for each standard, continuously updating written directives, reviewing all new policies for compliance and conducting troop, vehicle and evidence storage locker inspections. In May 2010, the CALEA assessors spent four days performing the CALEA on-site inspection where all files and troops/sections were reviewed for compliance. After a very successful CALEA on-site, the Delaware State Police was meritoriously awarded their 7th CALEA award.

The Staff Inspections and Accreditation Office facilitated personnel, vehicle and administrative inspections during September and October 2010. Troopers stood in formation at their respective troops and were inspected by Colonel Robert Coupe. As in years past, the Troopers went above and beyond to ensure that their uniforms, vehicles and facilities were in top form.

Public Information Office

Sergeant Paul G. Shavack

The Delaware State Police Public Information Office (PIO) continues the proud tradition of supplying the media and public with timely, accurate and informative information on the day to day operations of the Division. The office operates on a 24-hour basis and on-call numbers are provided to Divisional personnel and members of the media for immediate contact, or response to critical incidents if requested.

Sergeant Paul G. Shavack is the Director of Public Information Office and is responsible for overseeing the daily operations and administrative duties that are associated with the section. Along with these administrative duties, he serves as a coordinator for the Delaware Amber Alert Program, and coordinates the Division's community outreach efforts.

Master Corporal Jeffrey Hale serves as the primary New Castle County Public Information Officer and Master Corporal Bruce Harris serves as the primary Kent and Sussex County Public Information Officer. In addition to their daily responsibilities as a PIO, they are also involved in numerous community service presentations throughout the State.

The Public Information Office is also tasked with the following responsibilities:

- Prepares Press Releases and Public Service Announcements

- Responds to media and public inquiries
- Assists field personnel with local media relations
- Coordinates Press Conferences
- Serves as Liaison with other government agency public relation offices
- Hosts and coordinates Divisional and public events and ceremonies
- Coordinates the Delaware Amber Alert program
- Coordinates Community Outreach

During 2010 the Public Information Office disseminated over 1,500 News Releases to all media outlets.

As public representatives of the Delaware State Police, The Public Information Office strives daily to represent the Troopers of the Division with excellence and to uphold the pride and tradition that has been with DSP since its beginning in 1923.

Purchasing and Supply Section Graphics Office

Ms. Kimberly Cuffee

The Purchasing and Supply Section meets the growing needs of the Division's 936 employees. With a staff of three civilians, streamline operations help us to complete our responsibilities. The Purchasing and Supply Section's FY' 10 budget of \$749,000 purchased office supplies, uniforms, equipment, office furniture, flares, custodial supplies, first aid supplies, copiers, printing, lawn care, code manuals, etc. Additional responsibilities include approving purchases to ensure they meet the state purchasing laws, completing contracts through the formal bid process, Inventory control; maintain the division issued purchasing cards and reconciling/maintaining accurate budget information.

Municipal departments throughout the State are also dependent on the Purchasing and Supply Section. As a division, we provide agencies forms and other items which are universal throughout the state. Delaware Criminal and Traffic Law manuals are order by the section in bulk which allows agencies to save money and receive better pricing per manual.

The Purchasing Administrator also has the responsibility of managing the 1122 Counter-Drug Activity Program, which allows state and local police departments to purchase from GSA Federal Contracts. This duty is an appointment by the Governor's Office to assist all law enforcement agencies in the state of Delaware with making GSA purchases. The cost savings from this program is proving to be beneficial to law enforcement agencies with limited budgets.

Included in our section is the Graphics Office which is staffed by one civilian. The Graphic Artist has an extensive design background bringing better quality to printing requests for the Division. In addition to designing Division posters and other

printed material, the Graphic Artist uploads press releases and maintains the State Police website. Whenever possible, the Purchasing and Supply/Graphic sections are forever striving to save the division and the State of Delaware money and resources.

SCUBA Team

Sergeant Jeffrey Giles

The Delaware State Police SCUBA Unit is a part-time unit that currently consists of eleven members since the retirement of Cpl. Grasmick. Sgt. Jeff Giles, NCOIC, currently leads the team assisted by Cpl/1 Steve Fausey. The Scuba Unit completed thirty three operational dives during 2010 that included evidence recovery, assists for other units, and joint training efforts with Federal State and local agencies.

There were nine callouts in 2010, these activations included:

- Assisting Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) on two missing boaters and recovering an overturned boat.
- Two searches in the Indian River Inlet for two separate missing person complaints.
- A vehicle and body was recovered in the Snow Branch Creek off Twin Willows Rd.
- A vehicle recovery in Duck Creek off the Flemmings Landing boat ramp.
- Assisting the Maryland State Police in locating a cell phone and baseball cap near Seaford.
- Assisting Georgetown PD locating a cell phone from a robbery investigation.

Other significant dives included:

- In January, the dive team responded to the north end of S. Bowers Beach for a large object that was out near the channel of the Delaware Bay. Cpl/1 Fausey was able to determine that the object was a vehicle mostly submerged in silt with heavy damage. He was able to pull off the license plate. A check revealed that the vehicle and owner had been reported missing a month ago by Dover P.D. A complex recovery mission involving several Fire and DNREC boats, along with the dive team, ensued. Eventually the vehicle and the deceased who was still in the vehicle, were pulled from the water.
- The team assisted the Homicide Unit on a recovery of a pistol that was used in a homicide in the Pot Nets Community.
- The recovery of two cash registers and rifles from the Christina River in Newport for Newport P.D.
- A dive for the Pennsylvania State Police in the Del. River on a large hull of a ship. Cpl. Greene and Gliem were able to determine the hull was wooden and were able to pull up a piece with steel spikes.

Some additional activities performed by The Scuba Unit in 2010 included:

- Water safety training to the Academy Recruits and DSP Explorers
- Demonstrations for the 911 open houses in Sussex, Kent and New Castle Counties
- Hoist Training involving Scuba assets with the Aviation Unit
- Water safety at the polar bear plunge

The 2010 Delaware State Scuba Unit is a true team. Each individual brings their own positive attributes and strengths to the team. We look forward to providing our service to all the Police, Fire and Law Enforcement agencies in 2011.



Special Operations Response Team

Sergeant Alfred W. Parton, Jr.

The Special Operations Response Team (S.O.R.T.) provides the Division with a tactical response to the following: hostage incidents, armed barricade incidents, high risk warrant service, high risk vehicle stops, dignitary protection, surveillance assistance and any crisis situation deemed appropriate by the Executive Staff. During 2010, the team was activated over eighty times in this capacity. Through professionalism, dedication, training and state of the art equipment, the Special Operation Response Team conducted these activations in a safe and successful manner. Training continues to be the main contributing factor for success as team members attended several training events to sharpen their skills. As a part-time team, members continue to perform in an exemplary manner both in the performance of their assigned duties with the Division and team assignments with S.O.R.T.

During 2010, the team continued at a pace rivaling some full-time tactical teams. Deploying over eighty times, the team reacted to armed barricades, numerous high-risk warrants and vehicle stops. The majority of the team deployments involved high-risk warrant execution and vehicle stops for the state wide Special Investigations Unit. The team worked closely with Special Investigation Units and Troop Commands providing tactical support executing search warrants, apprehending violent suspects and conducting high-risk vehicle stops. Additionally, sniper-observers provided surveillance support to both the Special Investigations Units and Criminal Units statewide. Using state of the art optics and night vision equipment, sniper-observers continued to be a valuable intelligence gathering and surveillance tool.

The team conducts monthly training in the areas of hostage rescue, dynamic forced entry, covert/stealth clearing, weapons training and scenario based events. During 2010, the team focused on firearm proficiency with an emphasis on advanced tactics, live fire threat analysis/engagement, dynamic/stealth clearing techniques and close quarter combat techniques to

combat the terrorist threat. The entry teams currently train two consecutive days a month with a three-day consecutive training event every quarter for a total of 224 training hours annually. The sniper-observers train three consecutive days monthly for a total of 288 hours annually. The entry teams and sniper teams train as a full team one day during monthly training. The remainder of the time the teams train on their individual mission.

To address the current terrorist threat against the United States, the Department of Homeland Security developed a typing system (I, II and III) for SWAT teams to insure inner-operability across the nation. One aspect of the typing system involves advanced training to develop skill sets associated with corresponding types. The Government Training Institute (GTI) in Boise, Idaho developed the first advanced curriculum to address these skill sets. Instructors were subject matter experts from both law enforcement and military Special Operations Groups. Techniques taught during this course have been battle tested and the instructors possessed real world experience fighting terrorists. During 2010, seven team members attended the SWAT Type I course with two-thirds of the team having graduated from the course to date. Team members developed new skill sets to include Advanced Tactical Rappelling and FAST rope insertion. By the end of 2011 all team members will have completed the SWAT Type I training.

Selected team members attended a one week course in Charleston, SC as an introduction to Maritime operations to further capabilities in support of the war on terror. The course involved a structured curriculum introducing team members to techniques associated with dockside/underway ship boarding, seizing a vessel after a hostile take over and search techniques for large and small vessels. It is intended that additional team members attend this course in 2011 as well as an Advanced Maritime Tactical Course.

The team also conducted training with DSP Aviation during the summer to become proficient at helicopter insertion using rappelling. The new Bell 412 helicopter provides an excellent platform to perform this mission should the need arise. Team members participated in basic rappel insertion from the aircraft and will train in 2011 on more advanced techniques to include full equipment insertion onto an elevated platform to simulate a high rise building or deck of a ship. Additionally, training will take place for deliberate ground insertion on a target location.

The team continued to provide support operations to the division at a tempo few can endure while maintaining high standards at their individual assignments. Since 2001 the Special Operations Response Team has deployed over 1,000 times on high-risk missions. The operational tempo of the team continues to rival that of full-time teams across the country with the anticipation of 2011 being no different. The training demands have also increased significantly with the introduction of advanced equipment and skill sets. The Special Operations

Response Team will continue to react to the mission with enthusiasm, dedication and professionalism.

State Bureau of Identification

Captain Jason H. Sapp

Newly promoted, Captain Jason Sapp replaced Captain Rodney Layfield on July 5, 2010 and currently serves as the Director of the State Bureau of Identification (SBI). Ms. Renee Rigby serves as the Assistant Director of the State Bureau of Identification. SBI provides the state with a central repository for the collection and accurate organization of criminal arrest records, crime reports, and missing person reports. The director, along with seven Troopers, four sex offender agents, and a civilian staff of fifty-one people work in the following separate, but interrelated sections; Fingerprint Identification Section, Criminal History Section, Quality Control Section, Professional Licensing Section, Firearms Section, the Sex Offender Apprehension and Registration Unit (SOAR) and SBI North.

Mr. Russell McNatt supervises the Fingerprint Section, which is responsible for maintaining fingerprint records on people who have been criminally arrested and for people who are applicants for various types of employment requiring criminal history checks. This section has two shifts consisting of ten employees. In 2010 the section processed 76,673 print cards. During 2010, the section continued to process critical latent examinations revealing the identity of suspects who have committed many serious crimes leading to their arrest and conviction. There were 1,640 latent cases completed, which resulted in 6,996 lifts and 197 hits. Other police agencies frequently call upon the Fingerprint Section to process evidence related to criminal matters. The AFIS, a central system of fingerprint storage for comparison and identification purposes, is critical to the law enforcement community in Delaware.

Ms. Teresa Jones is the supervisor of the Criminal History Section which is responsible for fingerprinting citizens and completing criminal history background checks for employment and/or other purposes. The Criminal History Section consists of fourteen employees processing 52,989 requests for services in 2010. Additional duties include processing pardons and court ordered expungements. The Criminal History Section is the designated starting point for all adult expungement requests. The Criminal History Section personnel review the expungement requests to determine if the expungement can be completed at SBI, or if it must be referred to the appropriate court for further consideration. The Criminal History Section handled 1,436 requests for expungement orders, 215 pardons and 2,376 requests for expungement histories.

Sergeant Thomas F. Carver supervises the Sex Offender Apprehension and Registration (SOAR) unit. The SOAR unit is responsible for registering and tracking sex offenders as required by the Delaware Sex Offender Registry Law (Megan's

Law). By the end of 2010, there were nearly 4,400 registered sex offenders in Delaware. The SOAR unit consists of fourteen employees including four sworn detectives, four agents and five civilian employees. The sworn detectives are assigned to conduct criminal investigations of offenders who fail to follow Delaware's Megan's Law requirements. The four agents are retired police officers who conduct statewide notifications for all offenders residing in State Police jurisdictions. The SOAR unit made 149 felony and 14 misdemeanor arrests in 2010. SOAR unit members work closely with local and federal law enforcement agencies to ensure compliance with Delaware's sex offender laws, which are among the toughest in the nation.

In April, 2010 the federal government deemed Delaware to be the second state in the nation to become compliant with the Adam Walsh Child Safety and Protection Act. In 2011, Delaware will continue enforcement of newly adopted requirements of the Adam Walsh Act. The SOAR unit is currently working with the U.S. Marshals Service to locate and register those offenders who previously were not required to register, but must now register under the Adam Walsh Act.

The Firearms Transaction Approval Program (FTAP) is managed by Sergeant Barry Dean. This function was established as a result of the Brady Law, which became effective on February 28, 1994. FTAP consists of four criminal history employees who respond to dealer inquiries for state background checks, which yield an approval or denial for the purchase of a weapon. In 2010, there were 13,010 transactions processed, resulting in 432 denials of firearms purchases. In addition to these duties Sgt. Barry Dean investigates DELJIS violations and in coordination with ATF he investigates straw purchases of firearms.

Ms. Mary Sheppard supervises the Quality Control Section consisting of ten employees which is responsible for the quality control reviews of 75,000 crime reports in 2010. The employees review crime reports submitted by police agencies throughout the state ensuring proper coding for reporting purposes to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Once this section has completed their review, incidents are then officially counted as a criminal occurrence for statistical and crime tracking purposes. This process was greatly streamlined with the auto approval process which has been in the implementation process since 2007, thus more accurately and timely reporting of our National Incident Based Reporting System.

The Professional Licensing Section is supervised by Lt. Douglas Deveney and is comprised of two civilian employees who are responsible for the licensing and regulation of the following industries; private security agencies and their employees, private investigative agencies and their employees, security systems and protective services agencies and their employees, non-state constables, bail enforcement agents and H.R. 218 (the nationwide retired law enforcement permit to carry). This section is also responsible for the oversight of Delaware's new pawn broker law regulating pawn brokers, scrap metal processors and junk dealers. Detective Licensing serves as the

central repository for oversight, with detectives from criminal investigative troops in each of the three counties conducting on site regulatory visits and inspections.

Ms. Sandra Warden supervises SBI North that currently consists of four civilian employees providing fingerprinting services to customers desiring criminal history checks, processing of security personnel, and registering change of address and verification for sex offenders in New Castle County. SBI North is located at Delaware State Police Troop 2 in Glasgow. There were 13,319 customers fingerprinted in 2010 at the Troop 2 location.

Tactical Control Unit

Lieutenant Michael J. Wysock

The Tactical Control Unit (TCU) is currently made up of forty-five sworn troopers who staff the unit on a part-time basis in addition to their regular duties. The mission of TCU is to provide the division with a trained response to mass protest events, civil disturbances, labor strikes, mass arrest events and to provide an added police presence at large scale events throughout the state. TCU is also responsible for providing security for any Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Strategic National Stockpile deployments.

During 2010, TCU deployed to and provided security at several large events to include Delaware State University Homecoming and the Returns Day celebration in Georgetown. TCU also provided security at an Aryan Nations rally in Bethany Beach.

The Tactical Control Unit trains on a bi-monthly basis in tactical formations, cordon operations, delivery of chemical and less-lethal munitions, and specified security details for large events. Training also consists of qualifying with all divisionally issued firearms after donning gas masks and other issued protective equipment. During 2010, the unit conducted joint riot control training with the Newark and University of Delaware Police departments. During 2010, instructors from the Center for Domestic Preparedness responded to Delaware and provided a three day training course for controlling protestor actions. This training was attended by other agencies as well. Several unit members traveled to Anniston, Alabama and received specialty training at the Center for Domestic Preparedness in the area of protestor device removal and tactical command operations planning.

During 2010 the unit was able to update its older less-lethal and chemical munitions delivery systems to a modern 40 mm standard. The unit also began the implementation of the patrol rifle into the unit's less-lethal operations. Plans for 2011 include the transition from the soft body armor to a hard shell design. Joint training with other agencies will increase to include New Castle County Police.

Traffic Operations

Captain Sherri Benson

Tasked with numerous responsibilities surrounding the goal of reducing motor vehicle collisions, the Delaware State Police Traffic Operations Section performs an array of diverse functions. At the Headquarters Building in Dover, administrative and support duties are performed which relate to statewide recordkeeping and Divisional traffic enforcement. Based out of the Blackbird and Rt. 301 weigh facilities in lower New Castle County, the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit (CVEU) is charged with proactive and reactive enforcement related to commercial vehicles.

Personnel assigned to the Headquarters Building fulfill several key duties and responsibilities. Among them is the development of traffic initiatives, programs and campaigns designed to promote increased enforcement and police visibility on our highways. To provide the logic for these, the Traffic Section Tactical Analyst utilizes the Criminal Highway Analysis and Mapping for Public Safety (CHAMPS) system to acutely identify and isolate problem traffic areas throughout the state. Statistics are also provided by the Divisional Statistician to assist in these efforts.

An effective analytical tool specifically for fatal crashes is the Fatal Analysis Reporting System (FARS). Housed within the Traffic Operations Section, this nationwide mechanism provides for the FARS Coordinator to collect statewide fatal crash data in an expeditious manner. The data is then analyzed and placed into statistical databases within the state, and at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). FARS data yields some of the most accurate, real-time statistics available, which provides a formidable tool to plan initiatives to combat traffic fatalities.

In their sixth year of operation, Electronic Red Light Safety Program (ERLSP) technicians assess red light violations captured on camera at 37 different approaches at 19 different intersections throughout the state. Since the program's inception, we have seen tangible proof of the successes yielded by this program, as evidenced by a reduction of 6,503 in red light assessments, along with a congruent drop in intersection crash rates.

The two ERLSP Technicians assigned to the Traffic Operations Section oversaw the issuing of 19,858 red light violation assessments, totaling nearly \$2 million in fines. Nine new intersections were added to the program in 2010 and the addition of one new ERLSP Technician near the end of 2010.

One of the significant responsibilities of the Traffic Operations Section is the collection and archiving of motor vehicle collision reports, along with the dissemination of them to the public, attorneys' offices, insurance companies, and others with vested interests in specific collisions. In 2010, data entry clerks in the Traffic Operations Section fulfilled and distributed 13,090 requests for collision reports, which exceeds the total

number of motor vehicle collisions that occurred in State Police serviced areas.

Members assigned to the Truck Enforcement Unit (TEU) are primarily responsible for the operation of the Blackbird and Rt. 301 weigh facilities. Additionally, TEU personnel take portable scales to various locations throughout the state to conduct commercial vehicle weight checks, while also ensuring congruence with size regulations.

In addition to TEU, the Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) is also structured under the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit. This unit's primary responsibility is to inspect commercial vehicles, and their operators, to affirm congruence with governmental regulations. The majority of these inspections are done at various locations throughout the state, while many are conducted at the Blackbird and Rt. 301 weigh facilities.

In 2010, the MCSAP and TEU units accomplished the following:

Commercial motor vehicle inspections conducted:	3,983
Commercial motor vehicles weighed on fixed and portable scales:	27,311
Drivers placed out of service for non-compliance with regulations:	251
Vehicles placed out of service for non-compliance with regulations:	810
Traffic arrests for dangerous, moving violations:	892
Traffic arrests for other violations:	1,171
Seatbelt arrests:	202

In Delaware during 2010, there were 92 fatal crashes which caused the deaths of 101 people. Although any number denoting traffic deaths is tragic, this represents a two percent decrease from the previous year. Of those crashes, 78 were investigated by the Delaware State Police. Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and/or Drugs (DUI) ranked as the #1 cause of fatal crashes. For personal injury and property damage collisions, Inattentive Driving ranked as the #1 contributor for injury collisions.

In an effort to reduce these crashes throughout the year, the Delaware State Police actively participated in numerous traffic enforcement campaigns, most of which were funded by the Delaware Office of Highway Safety. Additionally, the Traffic Operations Section directed traffic action plans each quarter to target crash producing behaviors. Each patrol troop implemented its own quarterly action plan based upon motor vehicle collision trends, noted dangerous driving behaviors, and citizen complaints in each troop's specific area. Police visibility was notably increased on targeted highways, which yielded crash reductions and more compliant driving behaviors in the

involved areas. The Office of Highway Safety funded special enforcement in the areas of DUI, Aggressive Driving, Child Restraint, and Seatbelts. These jobs focused on Holidays, Summer Months with high traffic volume, Special Events(ie. NFL Playoffs, Superbowl, Punkin Chunkin), etc.



As a continuing project, Troopers assigned to Headquarters and other non-patrol units conducted enforcement activities during the four major holiday weekends- Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and

Thanksgiving. During this initiative, extra Troopers were assigned to notable crash areas identified from the previous year's statistics, to promote increased visibility. As a result, no personal injury or fatal crashes occurred on any assigned highways, which fulfilled the initiative's intended purpose.

Overall, Delaware Troopers yielded numerous traffic arrests to battle crashes and negative driving behaviors throughout Delaware in 2010. Troopers made the following arrests during the year:

Total traffic arrests:	129,052
Aggressive driving-related:	58,143
Aggressive driving (specific):	570
DUI:	3,618
Inattentive driving:	3,587



Training Academy

Captain Robert Hawkins

The Delaware State Police Training Academy is commanded by Director of Training Captain Robert Hawkins. The Academy Staff includes fifteen sworn

and non-sworn employees of the Division of State Police committed to providing members of the Division and allied law enforcement agencies with the knowledge and skills necessary to provide compassionate, comprehensive public safety services to the citizens and visitors of the State of Delaware. Within the Training Academy table of organization are four separate and distinct units which provide a variety of training to Delaware Troopers, as well as officers of all Delaware law enforcement departments.

The DSP Academy Staff includes Lieutenant Bruce Von Goerres, Sergeant Douglas Deveney, Sergeant Alexander Peterson, Corporal Scott Slover and Corporal Dermot Alexander. In 2010, the DSP Academy continued to provide basic recruit training for the Division of State Police as well as most Delaware law enforcement agencies. During the year seventy recruits were provided with approximately one thousand hours of training necessary for a successful start of a career in

law enforcement. The Academy staff also provided mandatory and elective in-service training to incumbent members of the State Police and law enforcement agencies from throughout the state. Two sessions of mandatory annual in-service training were provided to each member of the Division. In addition, seventy-seven elective in-service classes were provided to DSP Troopers and Delaware police officers.

Highlights from the DSP Academy for 2010 include the recovery of a loaded .45 cal handgun and 9 mm handgun by the recruit class during a terrain search in New Castle County on February 26th. Four robbery suspects had fled into a wooded area but were located and arrested. The recruits were called to conduct a terrain search which led to the location of the two stolen firearms. In June, the Academy staff hosted the 39th Annual Trooper Youth Week in conjunction with the American Legion. Thirty-seven high school students spent a week at the DSP Academy as cadets learning about a career in law enforcement and got a taste of the rigors of academy life. On June 19, 2010 the 81st DSP attended as a class the funeral of a fallen Maryland State Trooper.

The Firearms Training Unit is headed up by Lieutenant Michael Berry, who spent 2010 serving his country in Afghanistan as a member of the Delaware National Guard. In Lt. Berry's absence Sgt. Charles Condon was the NCOIC. This unit had a very busy and successful year in 2010. Not only did members of the Unit provide mandatory firearms requalification training to each sworn member of the Division, they also developed and implemented a realistic, tactical training event which included force on force, active shooter response and stress induced training. The FTU also trained each recruit trained at the DSP Academy as well as facilitated training for numerous municipal and state law enforcement agencies. Other members of the FTU are Corporal Donald Boulerville, Corporal James Warwick and Corporal Ralph Thomas.



The DSP Canine Training Unit is headed up by Corporal Mark Windsor and Corporal Jeffrey Miller. They oversee the training of the Basic Patrol class, Explosive Detection and Narcotics Detection classes for

canine teams from the Division of State Police and several municipal police agencies. In addition to teaching these courses, the Canine Unit continued to conduct monthly update training and annual recertification for twenty-six DSP teams and twelve departments from other agencies throughout the state.

The Domestic Violence Unit is head up by Detective Adrienne Owen. In addition to sitting on many boards and committees as the proxy for the Superintendent, the Domestic Violence Policy and Training Coordinator provided domestic violence related training to recruits attending the DSP Academy. Detective Owen facilitated the Annual Domestic Violence Conference which provided training in the detection, investigation and

prosecution of domestic violence related crimes. The conference drew over one hundred officers and advocates from throughout the Mid-Atlantic region.

The training conducted by the Academy staff in 2010 could not have been accomplished without the support of Administrative Specialists Ms. Sharon Burge and Ms. Diana Miller, or Mr. James Howard of the culinary staff.

Transportation

Mr. Mark Balfantz

The Delaware State Police Transportation Section is headed by Fleet Manager Mark Balfantz and supported by eleven automotive technicians and an administrative specialist.



The section provides direct and indirect vehicle maintenance support for all eight patrol troops and Headquarters for a fleet of over 900 vehicles, consisting of a wide variety of vehicles ranging from 4-

wheel all terrain vehicles to mobile command posts. The day-to-day maintenance operation ensures that a safe and serviceable fleet is readily available to support the various aspects of the law enforcement services provided by Delaware State Police.

The staff also handles the purchasing, and deployment of all divisional vehicles, as well as the deactivation and sale of vehicles that are no longer needed or are not economically feasible to maintain. To enhance the more specialized law enforcement operations of the State Police the section adds forfeited vehicles to the fleet to be used for various unconventional operations when feasible.

With FY 2011 annual budget of over 4.8 Million dollars, the section maintains a cost center budget to fund fuel, parts, repairs for all assigned vehicles, and vehicle replacements. Commercial maintenance services are incorporated in to the maintenance system and used for overflow work, specialized and the more time consuming repair tasks.

Victim Services Section

Ms. Debra M. Reed

The Victim Services Section is responsible for providing quality service to the citizens of Delaware, as well as visitors to our state, who may become a victim of crime or to those who have lost a loved one due to a sudden tragic death. The service may be in the form of crisis intervention, information, and/or referrals. Our unit provides assistance to cases within the Delaware

State Police jurisdiction as well as to over thirty five other municipal departments throughout the state (Delaware Victim Center). The unit provides services to over 3,000 clients each year. All cases are provided with contact for up to one year and sometimes beyond.

The Victim Services Unit was awarded a federal grant, administered through the Criminal Justice Council, to hire a Victim Services Assistant. This position is essential to the successful operation of a statewide unit. In November of this year, we welcomed Lisa McNatt to our unit. Lisa has been a dedicated employee to the State Police in the Human Resources section for over thirty years. Lisa retired from her position and is now a member of the Victim Services Section, assigned to Headquarters. We are all very excited and fortunate to have her join us.

The Victim Service Specialists continue to be a tremendous asset to the Division of State Police as well as the citizens and visitors of our state who enter our system by issues beyond their control. The unit is under the Direction of Debra Reed. The advocates, who are located at various offices throughout the state, include Terri Lang, Peggy Sutherland, Jennifer Zeroles, Veronica Colombo, Corrie Schmitt, Nancy Will and Eunice Mercado. The impact these advocates make is immeasurable.

The Victim Specialists are in an “on call rotation” to respond to requests for service 24 hours a day. The unit also operates a 24-hour toll free hotline. The Specialists are available to respond to crime scenes, hospitals, homes, court hearings, and/or to provide support by telephone. In addition to the civilian staff, approximately twenty-five sworn members of the division are cross-trained to assist with victim service “call outs” throughout the state.

The unit continues to be actively involved in such initiatives as the Victims’ Rights Task Force, Domestic Violence Task Force, Fatal Incident Review Board, Domestic Violence Advocacy Board as well as many others. This year, in conjunction with the Domestic Violence Unit, we hosted the 7th annual domestic violence awareness motorcycle ride. We moved the event from the spring to the fall which seemed to be a welcome change by all who attended. We plan to host the “8th annual” in October 2011. This year’s ride was dedicated to the memory of Elaine Aviola. Elaine was the first victim advocate for the New Castle County Police department where she dedicated over thirty years to assisting victims of domestic violence. Elaine passed away in March 2010 after a long and hard fought battle with cancer. She was an advocate, a friend and is greatly missed.

Members of the Victim Service Section continue to be very dedicated to providing quality service and support to crime victims as well as guidance to police and outside agencies. For information or assistance regarding victim services, you can call 1-800-VICTIM-1 (1-800-842-8461).

2010 Delaware State Police Civilian of the Year - Ms. Sandra Frazier



Colonel Robert Coupe and Ms. Sandra Frazier, Civilian of the Year

Each year the Delaware State Police Executive Staff selects one civilian employee for the Civilian of the Year Award. Civilian employees are nominated for this award for outstanding performance and meeting the following criteria:

1. Exceptional service as identified by the employee's performance evaluations
2. A consistent record of such service through their years of employment
3. Recognized by their peers as having outstanding character and integrity

This year, five civilian Delaware State Police employees were nominated. The Executive Staff of the Delaware State Police selected Ms. Sandra Frazier as the 2010 Civilian of the Year.

Ms. Frazier has been with the Division for over 40 years, beginning her career in June of 1969. Ms. Frazier has held various assignments throughout her career with the Delaware State Police to include assignments in the Traffic Section, Personnel Section and Fiscal Control Section. She has been the Senior Fiscal Administrative Officer for the Fiscal Control Section since 2007. In her role as the Senior Fiscal Administrative Officer, Ms. Frazier supervises a staff of five and works closely with our Controller and the Administrative Major regarding fiscal matters. Additionally, she deals directly with our Divisions Cost Center managers, to include sworn and civilian personnel, making recommendations on their annual budgets.

In 2010, Ms. Frazier took on the challenge of learning and implementing a new State accounting system. As the State of

Delaware was transitioning to this new system, Ms. Frazier was responsible for ensuring the training and subsequent implementation for DSP fiscal personnel. This system proved to be a large challenge due to the unique nature of the Delaware State Police financial systems versus other State entities. The changes and related challenges of the new program impacted nearly every section within DSP. With Ms. Frazier as the lead, her fiscal team worked through these challenges in order to meet the requirements of the new program, often working into the evening hours to meet fiscal deadlines. In the midst of this technology transition, Ms. Frazier was advised that she needed a shoulder operation. Ms. Frazier put off the surgery until late 2010 in order to avoid placing a greater burden on the fiscal office by her absence and then hurried back after her surgery to help with the ongoing project.

Ms. Frazier has consistently demonstrated her dedication to the Division, often being the last employee in the HQ building at night, and that same commitment is shown by her entire fiscal team. Ms. Frazier always displays the utmost professionalism when dealing with members of the Division and can be counted on to provide them with sound fiscal direction. Over the years, Ms. Frazier has received, and continues to receive, excellent evaluations and has received several distinguished service awards

As described by Gene Sharp, Delaware State Police Controller, "Once decisions are made she is the key person to make things happen."



Fiscal Section with the Civilian of the Year, Sandra Frazier and Major Melissa Zebley

2010 Delaware State Police Trooper of the Year - Sergeant David L. Weaver



Colonel Robert Coupe and Sergeant David L. Weaver, 2010 Trooper of the Year

Each year the Delaware State Police Executive Staff selects one Trooper for the Trooper of the Year Award. Troopers nominated must be recognized by their peers as having outstanding character and integrity and whose actions or performance significantly exceeded expectations during the previous calendar year.

This year, seven Delaware State Troopers were nominated. The Executive Staff selected Sergeant David L. Weaver as the 2010 Trooper of the Year.

Sergeant Weaver has been a Delaware State Trooper since 1988 serving his entire career at Troop 3 in Kent County; where he has worked in varied assignments to include; patrol, the crash reconstruction unit, the evidence detection unit, and his current position as the Supervisor of the School Resource Officer and Domestic Violence Units.

Sergeant Weaver was selected for this prestigious award based on his diligence, professionalism and dedication - highlighted in his handling of these two significant missing person cases.

As part of Sergeant Weaver's duties, he reviews numerous missing person cases. One such case began on June 1, 2009, when Lisa Mumford was reported missing. Sergeant Weaver assumed the role of lead investigator on the case; interviewing numerous subjects familiar with Ms. Mumford. Through his investigation, he developed a person of interest in her suspicious disappearance. Sergeant Weaver continued to investigate

and look for clues that would lead him to Mumford's whereabouts. Finally, on January 21, 2010, after seven tireless months; Sgt Weaver, assisted by other Detectives, located Lisa Mumford's body in a marshy area near Port Mahon. The Office of the State Medical Examiner determined that Mumford had been murdered. Sergeant Weaver continued as the lead investigator and on October 4, 2010, defendant Dorsey Parker was arrested and charged with 1st degree Murder.

The second investigation highlighted began on November 10, 2010, when a local business reported that a customer named Gary Sanders had missed a business obligation and they were concerned for his welfare. Sergeant Weaver opened a missing person investigation on Sanders who lived in the Bowers Beach area. Sanders had no immediate family in the area, and had not been seen since September 27, 2010. Once again, Sergeant Weaver diligently searched for clues that would lead him to Sanders' whereabouts. During his investigation he developed a person of interest in the suspicious disappearance of Mr. Sanders. Sergeant Weaver developed enough information to obtain a search warrant at the residence of the person of interest. On December 16, 2010, with the assistance of numerous law enforcement officers, search dogs and a ground excavating crew, the search warrant was executed. The body of Gary Sanders was located buried in the ground on the suspect's property. Once the victim was located, Sergeant Weaver contacted authorities in South Carolina to have the suspect, Juan Strydom, detained before he could flee. As a result of Sergeant Weaver's investigation Juan Strydom was returned to Delaware to face murder charges.

In both of these missing person cases as a result of Sergeant Weaver's investigative efforts, his professionalism and dedication; justice was achieved on behalf of the victims, some closure was obtained for the victim's families and two dangerous subjects are in prison for murder. It should be noted that during these exceptional cases, Sergeant Weaver continued to perform his regular duties supervising his Detective Units as well as handling other domestic violence investigations.

Aviation Section Celebrates 40 Years of Service

2010, marks the 40th Anniversary of a formalized, full time mixed rotor-wing, fixed-wing Aviation Unit. It is also marked the 25th Anniversary of our Trooper-Medic Program.

It all started in 1956 with the Division renting a small Cessna airplane to assist patrol personnel with traffic enforcement. This continued until 1970 when the Section was officially formed, when through a grant from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the state police received a 1971 Bell Helicopter 206-B Jet Ranger. At that time five troopers were assigned to the newly formed section on a full time basis and attended Helicopter training in at a school in New Jersey. In the below photograph, Colonel Bundek accepts delivery of the 1971 Helicopter on the grounds of the Headquarters complex. Today, the Delaware State Police Museum is built on the plot of land where the photograph was taken in 1971. A restored replica of the original helicopter is mounted outside of the museum.



Left Photo: Lieutenant James Ford (foreground), and (l-r) Captain Walter Nedwick Ret., Colonel Gerald Lamb Ret., Governor Russell Peterson, Fred Vetter, Public Safety, and Colonel George Bundek accepting delivery of HQ 501. (Photo courtesy of DSP Museum). Right Photo: Restored 1971 Bell 206-B Jet Ranger currently on display at the Delaware State Police Museum.

While transporting critical patients wasn't new to the Section in 1985 the State and the Division with the support of the Fire Service saw the need to provide Advanced Life Support Care for critical patients being transported by helicopter. This need was the nexus for 4 Troopers to be trained as Paramedics and assigned to the Aviation Section as Trooper-Medics.

On October 16, 2010 the Delaware State Police Aviation Section celebrated its 40th year as a full time rotor wing aviation unit and the 25th years of the paramedic program. The ceremony was conducted at our newly renovated hanger at the Georgetown Airport. There was a tremendous turnout, neighboring aviation counterparts from MSP, NJSP and our close partners and friends from Lifenet were all present. Past and present section members, political leaders and the public were also present to show their support and gratitude. Our keynote speakers include Homeland Security Secretary Schiliro, Colonel Robert Coupe, retired Lt. Charles Nabb, who is credited with being the founder of DSP aviation, and a heartfelt

speech from Ted Newhouse, a survivor that DSP Aviation had recently flown to a trauma center. During his speech the survivor credited the DSP Aviation Section, ground ALS, BLS and first responders who treated him with saving his life.

Along with celebrating 40 years of success, 2010 brought another first for the Section as we welcomed the first Delaware State Police female pilot, Cpl/1 Nicole C. Parton.



CELEBRATING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY of the Delaware State Police Aviation Unit are (l-r) Delaware State Police Lt. Col. James Paige; Aviation Unit Cmdr. Capt. Ronald W. Hagan; Cpl. Carol Parton, the first female pilot in Delaware State Police history; former Aviation Unit Cmdr. Lt. Dave Clark; Delaware State Police Superintendent Col. Robert M. Coupe; and U.S. Public Health Service Capt. Pete Hartsock (Right Photo) Original Aviation Unit Cmdr. Lt. Charles Nabb, left, now retired, listens to Ted Newhouse speaking about his life being saved by the Delaware State Police Aviation Unit

Today, the Delaware State Police Aviation unit is one of, if not the best trained and equipped aviation units in the Country. The Section consists of 25 pilots and Medics providing 24 hour coverage from two locations (Georgetown and Middletown). Annually, they fly almost 2,000 missions and transport approximately 500 patients to hospitals and trauma centers using some of the most advanced, equipped and maintained aircraft available. These aircraft include 3 Bell 407's (2, 1999's and 1, 2004), a Bell 412 (2007) and a Cessna 182 (1980).

Our primary missions are to provide rapid transport of critically sick or injured persons to medical facilities and to support law enforcement ground personnel in the apprehension of criminal suspects. The Section also conducts search and rescue operations, airborne security for visiting dignitaries, homeland security operations, photographic missions, narcotics interdiction, pursuit support and maritime security to name a few of the many missions.



Canine Officer shown coordinating a search with the 1971 Bell Jet Ranger helicopter.

Troop 4 Explorer Post #2852 Earns National Award

Law Enforcement Exploring, also known as Police Explorers, is a career-oriented program founded on July 12, 1973 as a non-Scouting subsidiary of the Boy Scouts of America. Law Enforcement Exploring is an introduction to Law Enforcement for young people (ages 14-20). Most of the students who sign up are interested in a Law Enforcement career, either the federal, state or local level. During bi-monthly meetings, Explorers are instructed according to our policies and procedures of Law Enforcement by their Advisors (Troopers). The Advisors provide lecture as well as hands-on and role-playing scenarios to the Explorers. Some of the courses of instruction are Bomb Threat Assessment, CPR, Burglary in Progress, Community Service, Domestic Dispute, Collision Investigation and Traffic Stops.

In addition to law enforcement instruction, Community Service is required of each Explorer. Throughout this past year, the explorers at Post #2852 (Troop 4) have participated in Community Service events such as Camp Barnes, Delaware State Fair, Special Olympics and Punkin' Chunkin' as well as other events.

Once every other year, the Explorers attend the National Law Enforcement Exploring Conference. This is an elite competition for Exploring around the country. This is an event they work hard to fundraise for all of their fees. They compete against other Explorers from various federal, state and local agencies around the country including Puerto Rico. The Explorers enter into individual events such as Non-Emergency Vehicle Operation Course, Physical Agility and Police Bicycle course to name a few. The Explorers also enter team events (up to four Explorers per team) scenarios such as hostage negotiation, burglary in progress, shoot or don't shoot, fatal accident and several more. There are eight scenarios with five places in each category.

On Monday, July 19, 2010, three Delaware State Police Exploring Posts (from Troops 3, 4 and 5) began a week long competition in Atlanta, Georgia at the 2010 National Law Enforcement Exploring Conference. There were approximately 2,700 participants in the 2010 national conference in Atlanta. The week culminated with a rally where several agencies conducted tactical training demo's, and finally closing ceremony and award presentations on Friday, July 23. During the award presentations, Post #2852 (Troop 4) was recognized for placing 2nd in the nation in the White Collar Crimes scenario. Troop 4 Explorers tied for first place, but ended up taking 2nd place. This is the first time the State of Delaware won an award at the Conference.



Post #2852 - Troop 4 (from left to right): Det. Mark Justice (Advisor), Evan Gillespie, Troy Bowden, Emily Bergman, Julius Young, Shannon Sanders, Robert Passwaters, Det. Cheryl Arnold (Advisor) and Bryan Smith (Advisor).

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