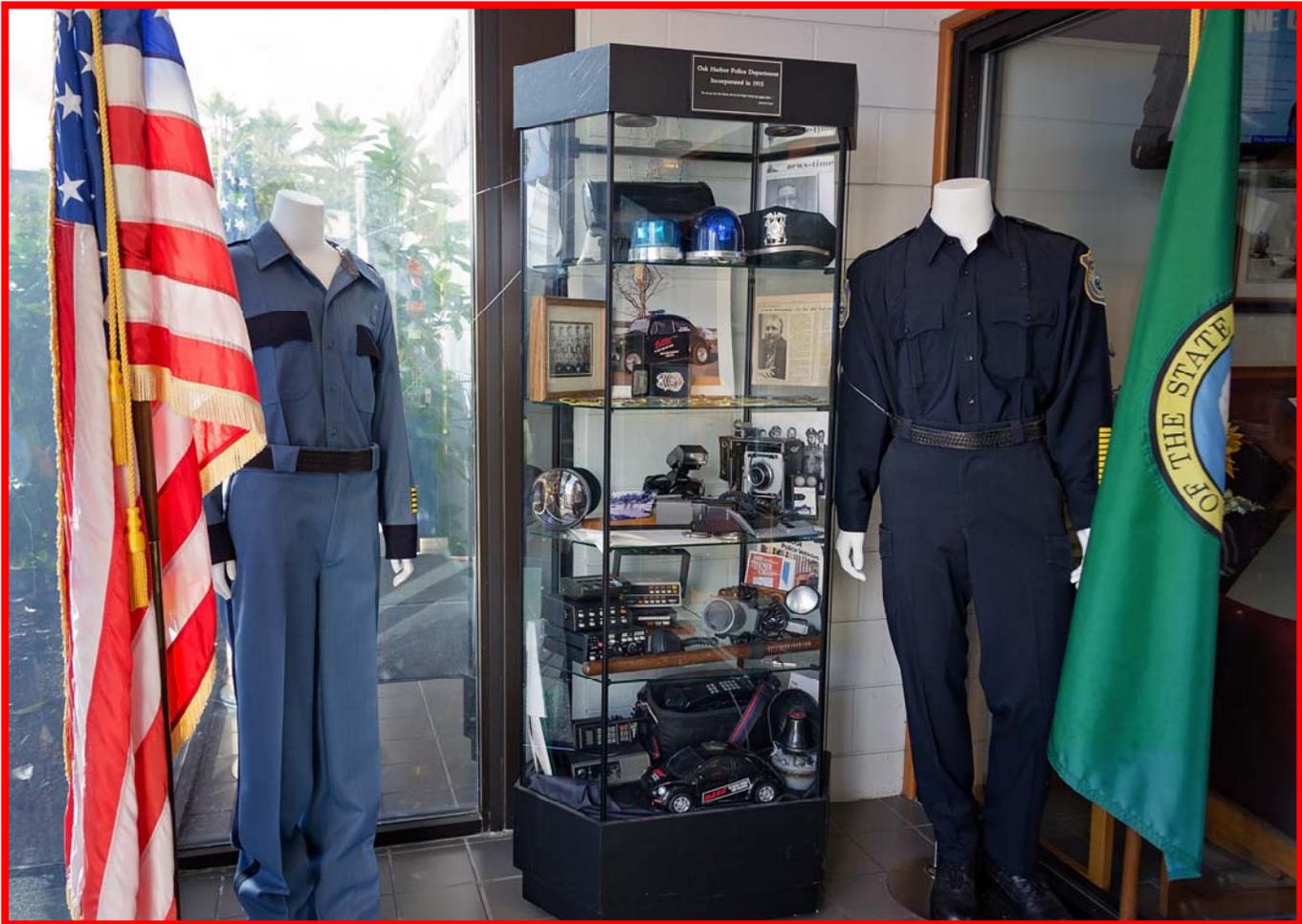


OHPD 2015



OAK HARBOR POLICE DEPARTMENT
Annual Report



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OAK HARBOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

2015 ANNUAL REPORT

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1 ~ ABOUT THE OAK HARBOR POLICE DEPARTMENT



OAK HARBOR POLICE DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT & VALUES

MISSION STATEMENT

DEDICATED TO COMMUNITY SAFETY AND SERVICE

CORE VALUES

- ❖ To Involve the Community in All Policing Activities Which Directly Affect the Quality of Life
- ❖ To Preserve and Advance the Principles of Democracy
- ❖ To Maintain Crime Prevention as Our Primary Goal
- ❖ To Manage Our Resources Carefully and Effectively
- ❖ To Involve the Employees in Matters That Affect Job Satisfaction and Effectiveness
- ❖ To Maintain the Highest Levels of Integrity and Professionalism in All Aspects of Our Operations



“The Oak Harbor Police Department embodies everything I think a police department should be. The officers who work this department are some of the finest people I have ever met, and I am honored to be working with them. The Oak Harbor Police Department is ‘your police department’, and I would encourage any one of you to stop in and say ‘hi’ if you have the opportunity.”

~Chief Ed Green

1 ~ OAK HARBOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

It seems like yesterday when I was writing to you about the 2014 annual report. Now I am here to talk about 2015, and the year that we had.

When I arrived in Oak Harbor I committed to you that our focus would be the community. Our own core values require that our community be actively involved in how we operate:

Core Values

- ❖ **To involve the community in all policing activities which directly affect the quality of life.**
- ❖ **To preserve and advance the principals of democracy.**
- ❖ **To maintain crime prevention as our primary goal.**
- ❖ **To manage our resources carefully and effectively.**
- ❖ **To involve our employees in matters that affect the job satisfaction and effectiveness.**
- ❖ **To maintain the highest levels of integrity and professionalism in all aspects of our operations.**

My department Mission Statement is:

Dedicated to Community Safety and Service

So the community must always be at the forefront of all we do. This way of thinking has driven me to get the community more involved with the police department. In 2015 we held our first Open House. The whole event was focused on the community and children. It was a huge success.

During the Open House I had numerous people come to me and ask, "What can we do to make Oak Harbor safer?" The answer is simple, become involved. If people are willing to commit to their community to keep it clean and safe we all win.

We are happy to report that people are actively becoming involved. We have a very active Volunteer Group of people who assist us; we have a very active Community Advisory Board (CAB) that meets with me monthly to tell me what the community wants and is thinking, and people are calling us. They are calling to report things and the criminal element has become aware.

Our calls, which are reflective of incidents taking place in the community, dropped 5.6% in 2015 from 2014. This does not mean we were not busy. As you read through this annual report you will see the things we have been doing this past year. It does mean the citizens of Oak Harbor are more involved in their community and its policing than ever before. The results are that we, as a team, are creating a safer place to live.

Thank you for your commitment.



Edgar J. Green
Chief of Police

1 ~ FACTS IN BRIEF

**Oak Harbor
City Limits**
9.42 Square
Miles

**City
Population**
Est. 22,306
As of July
2014

**Miles of
Streets**
68.74

**Local Business
Licenses
On File**
1,630

Public Schools
Nine
**Students
Enrolled**
5,673
**Classroom
Teachers**
306

**Skagit Valley
College**
1,200
Students
74 Staff

**Island County
Population**
79,275

NAS Whidbey
7,200 Military Personnel
1,200 Civilian Employees
1,200 Contractors

**Yearly Visitors
to Deception
Pass State Park**
2,639,420

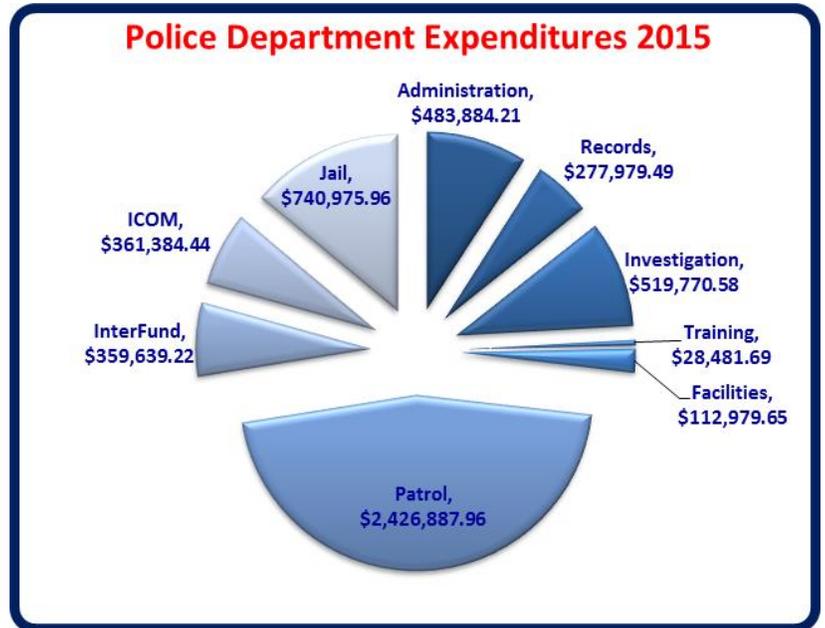
1 ~ 2015 BUDGETS

LAW ENFORCEMENT

	Budgeted	Spent	Balance	%
2015	\$5,150,375.00	\$5,311,983.20	-\$161,608.20*	103.14%
2014	\$5,038,267.00	\$4,938,685.64	\$99,581.36	98.02%

EXPENDITURES

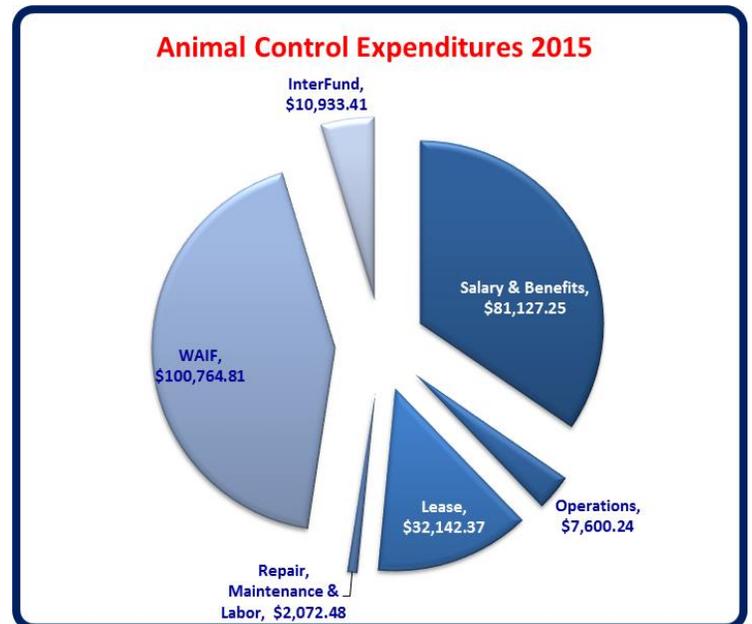
* In December the Collective Bargaining agreement for the Commissioned Officers was settled. Retroactive pay was paid out totaling over \$295,000.00. Excluding this expense our balance was \$5,016,733.27 or 97.4% of authorized expenditures.



ANIMAL CONTROL

	Budgeted	Spent	Balance	%
2015	\$248,631.00	\$234,640.56	\$13,990.44	94.37%
2014	\$243,914.00	\$254,087.59	-\$10,173.59	104.17%

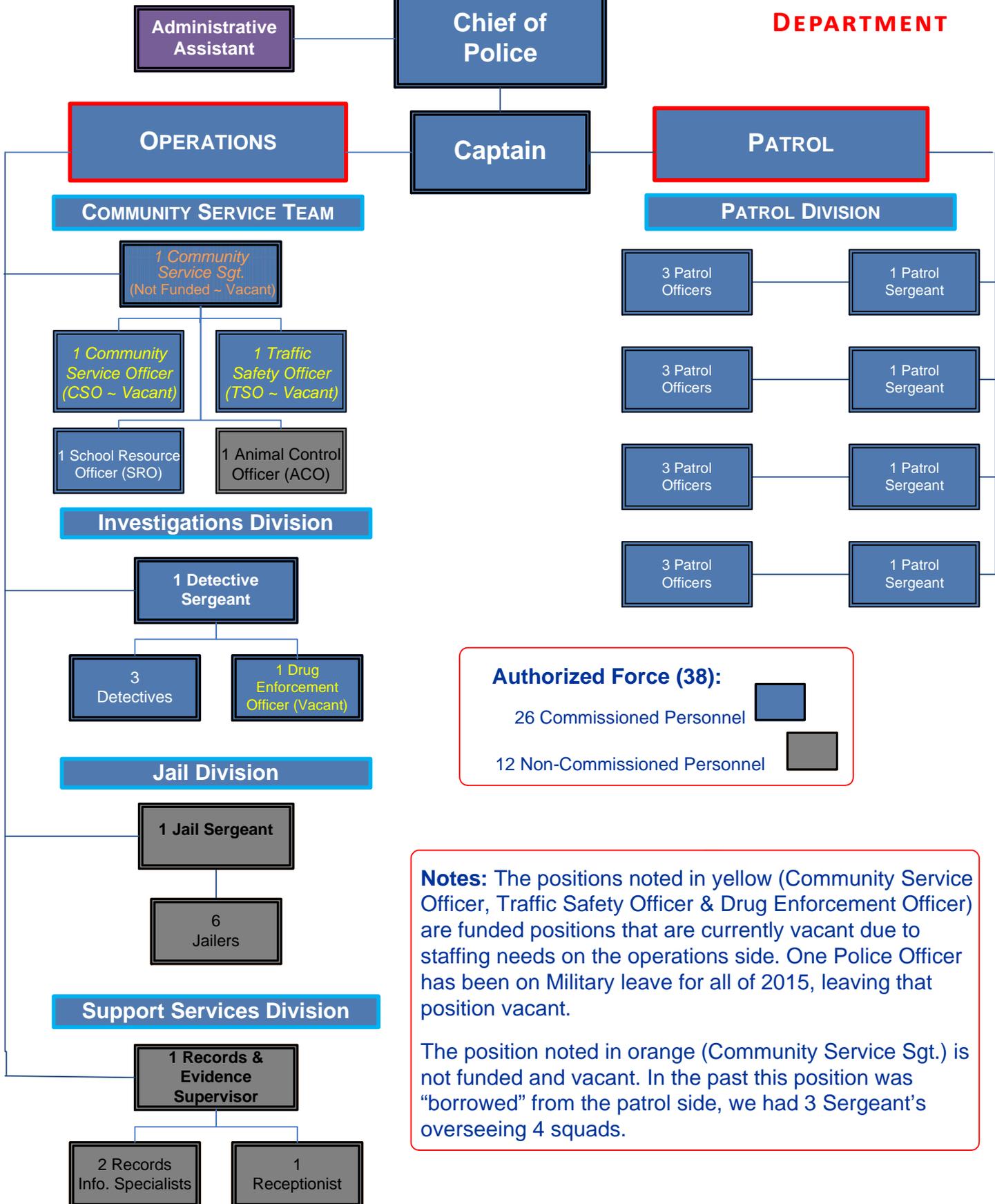
EXPENDITURES



**ORGANIZATIONAL
CHART**

ADMINISTRATION

**OAK HARBOR
POLICE
DEPARTMENT**



Authorized Force (38):

- 26 Commissioned Personnel
- 12 Non-Commissioned Personnel

Notes: The positions noted in yellow (Community Service Officer, Traffic Safety Officer & Drug Enforcement Officer) are funded positions that are currently vacant due to staffing needs on the operations side. One Police Officer has been on Military leave for all of 2015, leaving that position vacant.

The position noted in orange (Community Service Sgt.) is not funded and vacant. In the past this position was “borrowed” from the patrol side, we had 3 Sergeant’s overseeing 4 squads.

1 ~ DEDICATED TO COMMUNITY & SERVICE

STAFFING CHALLENGES

Our mission statement says we are “Dedicated to Community Safety and Service”. To fulfill this mission we must ensure that there are enough officers working patrol to meet community expectations.

In 2015 this became very challenging. We experienced some significant staffing issues, forcing a realignment of our personnel to make sure the community’s needs were met.

One officer, active in the military reserves, was given orders (in 2014) and called upon to serve our country. He was out for all of 2015 (he is slated to return in 2016).

In April of 2015 Oak Harbor police officer Chris Peabody left the department to take a position with the Island County Sheriff’s Office.

In August 2015 Officer Dennis Dickinson retired from law enforcement after 20 years of service.

During this time we also experienced the loss of two other individuals who did not satisfactorily complete training during their probationary period.

The latter part of the year proved to be an exciting time as two officers went off on paternity leave eventually adding to our OHPD family. However this did leave us scrambling for two more officer positions to back fill (temporarily).

All of this activity created a scenario where we had to realign staff to cover our basic patrol needs. Officers dedicated to working Community Service, Traffic and Drug Enforcement were all moved back into various positions to support patrol, allowing us to meet our minimum staffing requirements.

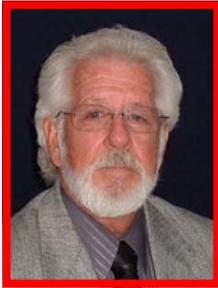
Staffing is, and will always be an issue for law enforcement. It is imperative for officer safety and community safety that a certain number of officers are available for calls at any given time of day.

There are a lot of people who want to get into the law enforcement profession, but the time it takes to complete the hiring process coupled with a reliance on the State of Washington funding for academies and specialized training often creates a situation where attrition will outpace our ability to hire. That was the case in 2015. Fortunately 2016 is looking better because of some aggressive steps we took to begin filling these positions.

These actions would not have been possible without the assistance of the Civil Service Commission and the Civil Service Secretary, Kim Andrews. They understood the dire situation that was beginning to develop and worked with us to ensure we were advertising for and hiring people as quickly as possible to keep Oak Harbor safe.

By the end of 2016 the Oak Harbor Police Department should once again be fully staffed.

1 ~ COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD / CAB



Ed Johnson



Gene Barner



Jeff Campbell



Nora Daniel

The Police Community Advisory Board (CAB) was established in 1991 by the Mayor and City Council, with the goal of establishing a close relationship between the Police Department and the community. All of the Board members are chosen as “stakeholders” from the community, including one High School student (and alternate), retired citizens, educators, military representatives, business owners or managers, and several City residents.

In 2015 the Committee members actively interacted with the community in various capacities:

- ❖ Explained role of CAB and solicited input from members of the Oak Harbor Yacht Club, Deception Pass Sail and Power Squadron, Oak Harbor Kiwanis Club, North Whidbey Sunrise Rotary Club as well as local business owners
- ❖ Addressed meeting of Eagle Crest Homeowners Association and explained role of CAB, Neighborhood Watch, and Vacation Watch services provided by Citizen Volunteers
- ❖ Spoke with the landowner adjacent to Freund Marsh Park about concerns over illegal camping in the park and the safety of visitors walking the Freund Marsh Trail, voiced these concerns to the CAB and attained agreement on routine officer patrols of Freund Marsh Park; additionally, they twice cleaned up litter and debris left by illegal campers in Freund Marsh Park
- ❖ Participated in National Night Out & the OHPD Centennial Open House
- ❖ Distributed comment cards for feedback from the community
- ❖ Participated in a multitude of conversations regarding our goals as a community advisory board, literature to help bring awareness to the board and information gathering for the department

THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD

Enhance police / community relations.

Promote public awareness of the City’s police services and programs.

Serve as the liaison between the police department and the community.



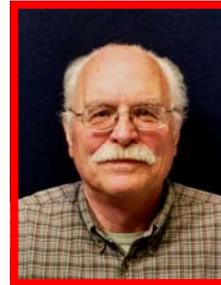
1 ~ COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD / CAB



Susan Gerard



Marty Malloy



Bob Olson



Lucas Yonkman



Sydney Prevost



Chase Powell

“Being on the CAB has definitely opened my eyes up to issues in our community. It has given me a sense of involvement and belonging. I know that being on the CAB is my way of giving back to and contributing to the community and I'm grateful for the opportunity!” Sydney Prevost

2015

Board Members

Chair: Ed Johnson

Gene Barner

Jeffrey Campbell

Nora Daniel

Susan Gerard

Marty Malloy

Bob Olson

Lucas Yonkman

Students: Sydney Prevost & Chase Powell

Member Position ~ Vacant

Contact any of the Board members by phone or eMail. We want to hear from you. Please give us your comments and concerns.

Phone Line:

360.279.4644

eMail:

CAB@OakHarbor.org

1 ~ PERSONNEL UPDATES

2015 Department Milestones

January

Bill Wilkie
25 Year Service

February

Steve Nordstrand
30 Year Service

May

Mike Bailey
20 Year Service

Terry Sampson
10 Year Service

September

Jon Valenzuela
10 Year Service

October

Greg Woodward
15 Year Service



1 ~ PERSONNEL UPDATES



Dennis Dickinson

Officer Dickinson started his career with the Oak Harbor Police Department in November 1998. Prior to that, Officer Dickinson worked in civil service with the Oak Harbor School District. Officer Dickinson worked a variety of assignments but will be remembered as a great School Resource Officer. On August 31, 2015 Officer Dickinson made the decision to retire from public service after 20 years.

Chris Peabody

Officer Peabody joined the Oak Harbor Police Department on November 1, 2012. He was assigned to patrol and the High Risk Entry Team. After a couple of years with the department he opted to leave to take a position with the Island County Sheriff's Department as a detective. Officer Peabody was a great asset to OHPD, fortunately he is still on Whidbey Island and is still an asset to the law enforcement community within Island County.



2 ~ ADMINISTRATION DIVISION



CHIEF ED GREEN

Chief Green was born in Los Angeles, CA, and went to work at the Los Angeles Police Department in 1986. He worked there until 1993, when he moved to Washington State and settled in Port Townsend with his wife Christy and their two daughters. He worked for the City of Port Townsend Police Department from 1993 to 2012 as a bicycle patrol officer, a regular patrol officer, and a training officer. In 2001, he was promoted to Sergeant, and in 2006, to Administrative Sergeant (second in command). On October 29, 2012, Chief Green was hired by the City of Oak Harbor as the Police Chief. Chief Green holds a BA in Social Science from Washington State University.



Captain Teri Gardner

Captain Gardner moved to Oak Harbor in January of 1979, and has lived in the community for 37 years. She was hired by the Oak Harbor Police Department as a police officer in February of 1996. While on patrol, she held collateral duties of bicycle patrol, Field Training Officer, and quarried for the K-9 dog. In June of 1999, she was selected for a Detective position specializing in Sex Crimes and Child Forensic Interviewing. Another collateral duty she held while in the Detective Division was the Hostage / Crisis Negotiations Team. In November of 2008, she was promoted to Detective Sergeant until April of 2014, when she was promoted to Captain.



Administrative Assistant Meg Massey

Meg was born and raised in northern New Jersey. She moved to Port Townsend in 1999. She holds a BA in Psychology from the College of Mt. St. Vincent in Riverdale, New York. She has many years of experience as an Administrative Assistant for companies large and small ranging from Warner Bros. Records in Manhattan to MarinerBank, a local community bank in Port Townsend. Meg was hired in October 2013 and she and her husband Preston live in Oak Harbor.

3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER (CSO)



Jennifer Yzaguirre; CSO

Community Service Officer

Officer Yzaguirre was assigned to Patrol the first quarter of the year to assist with staffing shortages. The remainder of the year she was able to resume her position working with the community and was the driving force behind National Night Out, the Child ID Program and the department's Centennial Open House. The last quarter of the year she was home with her new baby.

Child ID Program

Would you know what to do if your child went missing, wandered away in a crowd, or simply was late returning home from the playground? The first moments are most crucial in helping to track them down and begin an investigative search. For parents in time of crisis, it is not easy to recall the necessary information to help find their child.

The Oak Harbor Police Department recently purchased a Child ID kit to assist families in our community. The Child ID kit is an advanced digital fingerprinting and photo storage database system. The system records data of the child's height, weight, FBI quality fingerprints, a photo of the child, and vital facts. The information is printed out and given to the parent/guardian for safekeeping. If a child ever goes missing, parents supply the file to the department and detectives have the necessary information to launch a Missing Person or Amber alert.

This is a service the Oak Harbor Police Department will be offering the community. There is no charge involved. Please follow our Facebook page for future announcements on the dates and times this service will be offered.



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PRESCRIPTION DRUG DROP OFF BOX

Got Drugs?

Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal

Prescription Drug Drop-Off Box

The OHPD provides a service to the community for safe disposal of several items. Accepted are the following: prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications, vitamins, and medications for pets. Not accepted are the following: needles, liquids, Epipens or sharp objects of any kind.

The drop-off box is located in the entrance to the night lobby at the OHPD. This entrance/lobby is open 24 hours a day. The OHPD provides zip-lock baggies for use. There are easy-to-follow instructions posted on the entrance wall. These instructions provide direction to remove all pills from vials / containers and place the pills in a zip-lock bag prior to placing the pills in the drop-off box. We cannot accept vials or containers.

The OHPD took in 465.35 pounds of drugs in 2015 through the Drug Take Back Program. The Drug Take Back Bin is emptied by the Captain and Evidence Supervisor, always using two person integrity. The drugs are then placed into bagged boxes, sealed and weighed, entered into evidence, then stored pending destruction.



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FACEBOOK & NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH



Find us on Facebook®

Oak Harbor PD



The Oak Harbor PD Facebook page was launched on March 16, 2012.

Year End 2012	277 Likes
Year End 2013	1,360 Likes
Year End 2014	2,653 Likes
Year End 2015	3,758 Likes

Facebook has become a useful tool. We can reach as many as 38,900 + with a single post.

What do we post?

- Community Events
- Meeting Notifications
- Press Releases
- Safety Tips
- Scam Alerts
- Traffic Alerts
- Videos
- Wanted Persons

FACEBOOK POSTINGS

Scam Alert ~ Posted June 2015

Oak Harbor Citizens, we have received information that a male subject was walking around pretending to work for Dish Network. The male was asking for \$25.00 to upgrade your service. It was reported that he was wearing a ball cap, black sweatshirt, and brown khaki shorts. He was last seen in the Fireside development. Please call 911 if he comes to your house, so we can contact him and verify his identity. Businesses that are going door to door are required to obtain a peddler's permit with the City of Oak Harbor.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

What is a Neighborhood Watch?

A neighborhood watch program is a group of people living in the same area who want to make their neighborhood safer by working together and in conjunction with local law enforcement to reduce crime and improve their quality of life. Neighborhood Watch (NW) groups have meetings to plan how they will accomplish their specific goals and has NW Captains with assigned responsibilities.

Who Can Participate?

Anyone who lives in the City limits, whether you live in an apartment, condominium complex, townhouse, or a single family home.

How Do I Establish A Neighborhood Watch Program In My Neighborhood?

Neighborhood Watch Components:

- 1.Create and distribute a Member List
- 2.Complete Operation Identification
- 3.Hold Quarterly Meetings

~ Have Fun With Your Neighbors ~

3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO)



Dennis Dickinson; SRO

The Oak Harbor Police Department School Resource Officer (SRO) program is a partnership between the department and the Oak Harbor Public Schools with the goal of establishing a safe environment for the learning process and eliminating barriers between youth and police.

The School Resource Officer provides services at Oak Harbor High School, Oak Harbor Middle School and North Whidbey Middle School. The School Resource Officer also provides services to all the Elementary Schools within the district. The Oak Harbor Police SRO is a visible, active, law enforcement figure on campus. Though not an employee of the Oak Harbor Public Schools the SRO functions as part of the team. Working closely with staff it allows being available to students, parents and teachers. The unique cooperation between the SRO and staff plays a big part in solving and/or preventing a variety of issues that arise on a day to day basis.

The SRO has a unique job when it comes to students, teachers, parents and the community. While the priority is being a police officer the position is multi-faceted. The SRO is a Liaison, Role Model, Mediator, Guidance Counselor, Educator, Crisis Negotiator, Crisis Support, Problem Solver and even a Custodian for matters related to the welfare and safety of everyone within the Oak Harbor Public School system.

The City of Oak Harbor SRO position is a jointly funded by the City of Oak Harbor and the Oak Harbor School District. The City of Oak Harbor pays for the officer. The Oak Harbor School Districts pays for all of officer's training for the position. This cooperation enables the police department to provide the students and staff of the Oak Harbor Public Schools with a full-time police officer.

For the first half of 2015 Officer Robert Dickinson was the SRO. He retired mid-year. In late 2015 Officer Nathan Padrta was selected as the new SRO. The SRO's office is at the high school. The population at the Oak Harbor High School is closely matched to a small town and with that comes a variety of issues on a daily basis. Due to the population level at the high school the SRO will spend the majority of their day at the high school. However, they will respond to the two other middle schools and as needed at the elementary schools. The SRO is also involved with making sure that the schools have a viable safety plan when it comes to a lock down due to a threat on or off campus. All schools have the potential to be placed in a lock down situation.

The program has gained momentum with regards to training. The Oak Harbor Fire Department (OHFD) and Oak Harbor Police Department (OHPD) have taken a pro-active approach when it comes to safety within the Oak Harbor Public Schools. The OHFD and OHPD have partnered together in combining resources to effectively minimize the

3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO)

time it takes to get to those who need help and/or medical care. The training has allowed OHFD personnel to be embedded with OHPD personnel during a crisis such as an active shooter scenario.

The program has brought the Oak Harbor Public Schools and first responders closer together to resolve issues that affect the safety and welfare of students and staff in all the schools within the Oak Harbor Public School system. The program has also seen an improved relationship between the police and that of the students, staff and parents within the Oak Harbor Public Schools.



Oak Harbor High School



Crescent Harbor Elementary



Oak Harbor Elementary



Olympic View Elementary



Broad View Elementary



Officer Padrta at Little Friends Day School

3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO)

Complaint	OHHS	OHMS/ NWMS	Elem
911 Calls	12	6	1
Alarms	2	1	2
Alcohol	2	0	0
Animal	1	1	1
Assaults	9	3	1
Assist Agency	0	1	0
Assist Public	3	3	1
Collisions	2	0	0
Court Order Violation	0	0	1
Custodial Interference	1	0	0
Disorderly	2	3	0
Domestic Physical	0	1	0
Drugs	11	3	0
Fire Call	1		0
Harassment	4	3	0
Information	0	0	1
Juvenile Complaint	1	3	0
Juvenile Neglect Abuse	0	0	1
Juvenile Runaway	0	1	0
Lewd Conduct	0	1	0
Malicious Mischief	4	0	1
Medical	1	2	0
Property	2	1	1
Sex Offense	2	4	2

Complaint	OHHS	OHMS/ NWMS	Elem
Suicide Threats	1	0	0
Suspicious	6	1	1
Theft	9	2	1
Threats	2	1	0
Traffic	2	0	5
Traffic Hazard	0	0	5
Trespass	2	0	0
Weapons	1	2	0
Welfare Check	1	0	0
Total Complaints	84	43	25



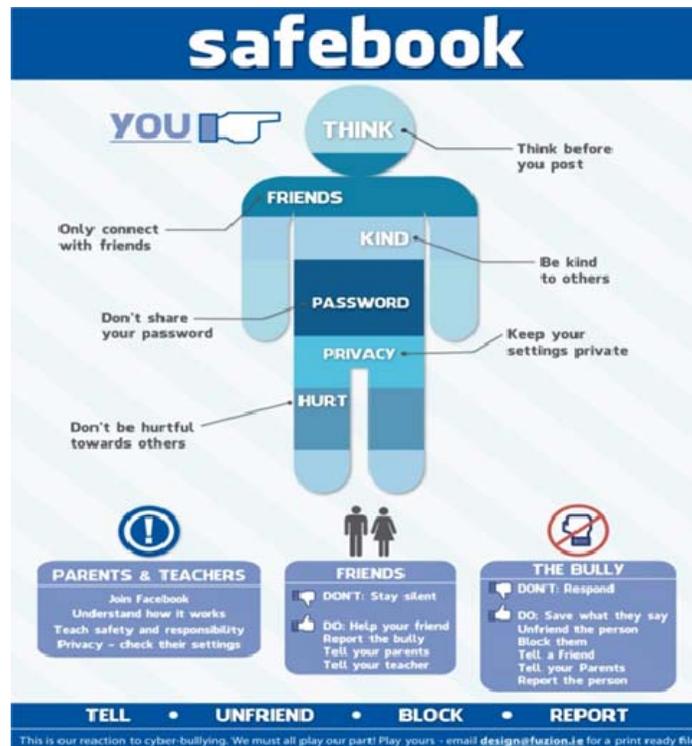
Oak Harbor Middle School



Home Connection—Clover Valley

3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO)



Hillcrest Elementary



North Whidbey Middle School

School Populations

The City of Oak Harbor has nine public schools that are within the City limits and / or its jurisdiction with a continually changing population. The Oak Harbor High School has approximately 1,600 students, encompassing 9th through 12th grade. Having so many people in such close proximity and under one roof created a need for a full-time SRO presence on campus to ensure a safe and secure environment. The two middle schools, Oak Harbor Middle School / North Whidbey Middle School, have an approximate combined population of 1,170 students. This population number also creates the need to have an SRO presence on campus. The five elementary schools have an approximate combined population of 2,575 students.

3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER (ACO)



Terry Sampson; ACO

In 2015 Animal Control received 1,140 calls for service. This number of calls includes all Navy housing areas within the city limits of Oak Harbor. This is an increase of 343 calls for service in 2014.

72 Dogs were impounded by Animal Control to the Oak Harbor holding facility in 2015. This is a decrease from 2014 at 137 dogs impounded by Animal control. 33 Cats were impounded by Animal Control to the Oak Harbor holding facility in 2015. This is a decrease of 38 cats from 2014.

60 DOA animals were picked up and disposed of. This includes cats, dogs, birds, deer, otter, mink, ferret and possum.



3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

ANIMAL HOLDING FACILITY

Animal Control has taken several animal bite complaints, most involving dogs. If you own or care for a dog that displays aggressive or fearful behavior, please contact a dog trainer as this behavior could lead to having your dog labeled as dangerous if your dog bites a human or a domesticated animal. You can find out more information on the City of Oak Harbor web site at www.OakHarbor.org. Go to municipal code and click on Title 7.

Remember to license your cats and dogs. This is an annual license and must be renewed at the first of every year. You must have a current rabies certificate to obtain an animal license.

A message from Animal Control.: Please find out information pertaining to your dogs and cats when it comes to laws about owning pets within your area. Some areas have different laws. Be aware of the law in your area. You may be alleviating problems in the future, especially biting dogs.



3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



The Oak Harbor National Night Out is sponsored by the Oak Harbor Police Department and the Oak Harbor Lions Club. National Night Out is described as: “An annual community building campaign that promotes police community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make a safer, better place to live”.*

The City of Oak Harbor Police Department and the Oak Harbor Lions Club celebrated

National Night Out on August 3, 2015. Because of construction taking place at Windjammer Park for the Water Treatment Facility the festivities were moved to Fort Nugent Park.

This was our first year at Fort Nugent Park. A decision was made to try and fit all of the participants into the upper parking lot and field area. When empty this area seemed to provide an adequate amount of space. What was never accounted for was the popularity of the event.

Very quickly the Oak Harbor Police Department and the Oak Harbor Lions became overwhelmed by people and vendors who wanted to be a part of the event. So very quickly the upper parking lot and fields were full to capacity, which led to some folks being placed on a standby list or turned away.

The event was huge success resulting in approximately 5,000 – 6,000 people visiting to see emergency safety vehicles, equipment and employees from the Oak Harbor Police Department, Island County Sherriff’s Office, Island Communications, Washington State Department of Corrections, United States Border Patrol, FBI, United



3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

States Navy Security, Naval Criminal Intelligence Service, Oak Harbor Fire Department, North Whidbey Fire and Rescue, United States Navy Fire Department, Island County Department of Emergency Management, American Red Cross and numerous vendors.

There were demonstrations from most of the participants, food from a lot of the vendors, and entertainment to keep everyone happy and busy.

The Oak Harbor Community came together with its emergency service providers and demonstrated that it can be a partner in the war on crime and natural disasters.

*National Night Out Guide



3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

CENTENNIAL OPEN HOUSE

We had an amazing turn out of Oak Harbor citizens and kids!!

It started with an official swearing in with Chief Ed Green by saying the Junior Oath Pledge. Kids then received a bright blue police vest. Next, everyone received a guided tour by some of our Oak Harbor officers. But the fun really began when the kids attended the Junior Police Academy, tried on the High Risk Entry Team gear, turned on the police sirens in the police car, and helped solve a burglary. At the end, each child received a donut, juice box and a official Junior Police badge, pinned on their police vest by Captain Gardner.



3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

CENTENNIAL OPEN HOUSE



3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

CENTENNIAL OPEN HOUSE

MAKE SURE YOU VISIT EACH BOOTH BEFORE YOU VISIT THE DONUT BOOTH!!!

Police Training



Traffic Unit



CHILD ID Station



High Risk Entry Team



Investigations



Donuts & Badges



Name: _____



3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

CENTENNIAL OPEN HOUSE



3 ~ COMMUNITY SERVICES

CHAPLAIN

When faced with threat or trauma, we want the police there as quickly as possible and as ready as possible. According to a Washington Post article in 2008, there are well over 1,000,000 face to face contacts between police and citizens each week in the US. In Oak Harbor we have many combat veterans. They understand readiness. The challenge for Law Enforcement is that they do not know when they arrive for those face to face contacts if they will find some sort of simple problem which is easy to resolve or if they will be facing someone bent on doing serious damage to anyone they encounter. Every call everyday must be met with readiness for the worst possible scenario and at the same time for the simple solutions ordinary citizens require.

As a police chaplain I have the distinct privilege of watching closely as our men and women respond day after day. When they stop you for a tail light out, they don't know if you are the one who wants to kill a cop or are just the average citizen who needs to be told a brake light needs replacement. They must approach your car or your house in a state of hyper-vigilance in order to instantly read the situation and offer the greatest possible protection to you and of course protect themselves. They must do that without being stressed. They must present themselves with professionalism that instills confidence. Their contact with you may come only minutes after being insulted, resisted, threatened, and even attacked. They may have just witnessed and investigated incidents that would cause most citizens to have nightmares for weeks and yet, when they contact you a few minutes later, they must be vigilant and composed.

Oak Harbor's police chaplaincy program exists for two primary purposes. Regarding the average citizen, as a chaplain I most often serve as a transition from various types of tragedy to the victim's support system. While the police secure and investigate extreme situations, the chaplain will assist the traumatized in the first steps toward resolution or normalcy. Regarding our police force, the chaplain's primary purpose is to offer a confidential ear as well as positive and understanding support. The chaplaincy seeks to encourage the health of our police in any way possible or necessary. It is the privilege of the chaplain to make a small contribution to the health and wellbeing and therefore the readiness of our police force to respond to your needs.



Dr. Ron Lawler; Chaplain

CHAPLAINS HOURS
138.25 Total Hours For 2015
Ride -A-Longs: 34.75 Hours
Department Contacts: 42.5 Hours
Training: 35.5 Hours
Emergency Call Outs: 25.5 Hours

4 ~ INVESTIGATION DIVISION

In 2015, the investigation division went through minor personnel changes. In January 2015, Patrol Officer Lisa Powers-Rang was assigned to the Investigation Division specializing in Sexual Assault cases and crimes against children.

Detectives have the responsibility of investigating all major crimes, mostly felony cases. The various crimes that are investigated by detectives include but are not limited to Burglary, Identity Theft, Internet Fraud, Theft, Sex Crimes, Child Crimes, Homicide and Assaults. The investigation division also receives all Domestic Violence cases for follow-up until the case is adjudicated. All detectives assist with Narcotic Investigations and in serving Drug Search Warrants.

The Investigative Unit works closely with various agencies and community service programs. Some of those other Criminal Justice agencies consist of the City of Oak Harbor Prosecutor's Office and the Island County Prosecutor's Office. The unit also works with various Law Enforcement entities consisting of local and out of State Municipalities, State and Federal Agencies. Detectives further work with agencies outside of Law Enforcement, such as Child-Protective Services, Department of Social Health Services and Citizens Against Domestic Violence.

During 2015, there were 368 cases assigned to the detectives for follow-up investigations. In 2015, the investigation division wrote and served a total of 20 search warrants and maintained an average case load of 35 - 40 cases.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT
CRIMINAL ACTIVITY CALL THE
OAK HARBOR POLICE DEPARTMENT
TIP LINE
360.679.TIPS**

DRUG ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

This Detective is assigned to the Investigation Division. However, in 2015 this position was not filled, due to low staffing. In 2015, narcotics investigations were conducted by Detective Sergeant Bailey and Detective Powers-Rang when time permitted. During 2015, there were five narcotics investigations, each of which can take several months to conclude.

During these narcotic investigations, enough probable cause is obtained to get a search warrant on the target dealer. The 2015 search warrants resulted in seizures of Methamphetamine and Heroin along with firearms and arrests of suspects for Possession with Intent to Deliver. Furthermore, during these investigations numerous other items were seized, such as 2 - vehicles, 10 - firearms, electronics and approximately \$5,912.00 U.S. currency.

4 ~ INVESTIGATION DIVISION

DETECTIVES



Det. Sgt. Mike Bailey

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MIKE BAILEY

Has been with the Oak Harbor Police for more than 20 years and has been the Detective Sergeant since July 2014. Prior to being promoted, Sergeant Bailey worked as a detective for five years and then was promoted to Patrol Sergeant. Sergeant Bailey worked as a Patrol Sergeant for almost two years and spent a year and half as the department's Community Service Sergeant before becoming the Detective Sergeant.

CASE HIGHLIGHTS 2015

In February, Detective Sergeant Bailey investigated a case involving a convicted felon in possession of a stolen firearm. During the investigation, Sergeant Bailey interviewed witnesses and wrote a search warrant for a locked wooden box that was left behind by the suspect as the suspect was fleeing the scene, prior to patrol officers arriving. Inside the box was a stolen firearm from another jurisdiction, and subsequently an arrest warrant was issued for the suspect.

In July, Detective Sergeant Bailey worked two Narcotics Investigations over a couple of months, which resulted in search warrants issued in both cases. One search warrant was served on the suspect's shed on his residence, and the other was served on the suspect's vehicle. These separate investigations produced arrests of two subjects for Possession with Intent to Deliver Methamphetamine along with seizures of methamphetamine.

In November, Detective Sergeant Bailey conducted a narcotics investigation regarding a suspect who had been arrested by patrol on an arrest warrant. During the investigation, a search warrant was written, which produced over 50 grams of methamphetamine. The suspect was subsequently arrested for Possession with Intent to Deliver Methamphetamine.

4 ~ INVESTIGATION DIVISION

DETECTIVES

DETECTIVE JIM HOAGLAND

Has been with the Oak Harbor Police Department for over 14 years and has been in the Investigations Division for over four years. Some of Detective Hoagland's collateral duties consist of the following: HRET Member, FTO and Taser Instructor. Detective Hoagland also is tasked with being the department's forensic cell phone data extraction expert.



Detective Jim Hoagland

CASE HIGHLIGHTS 2015

In January, Detective Hoagland began an investigation regarding information that the police department received about a Naturopathic business in Oak Harbor practicing without a license. During the investigation, Detective Hoagland worked closely with investigators from the Washington State Attorney General's Office. Detective Hoagland was able to gather enough information to obtain a search warrant on the business. Numerous pieces of evidence were recovered from the business along with two subjects being arrested for Practicing Medicine without a License.

In July, Detective Hoagland investigated a case involving Felony Court Order Violations. During the investigation, Detective Hoagland was able to establish probable cause for the suspect and arrest the suspect on 92 counts of violating a no-contact order.

Also in July, Detective Hoagland assisted the FBI with an active investigation involving a missing juvenile from Texas. During an interview with a subject, Detective Hoagland discovered that the subject had Child Pornography on his cell phone. Detective Hoagland was able to establish enough evidence to arrest the subject for Possession of Child Pornography.

4 ~ INVESTIGATION DIVISION

DETECTIVES



Detective Manny Silveira

DETECTIVE MANNY SILVEIRA

Has been with the Oak Harbor Police Department for over eight years and has been in the Investigations Divisions for over 2 ½ years. Some of Detective Silveira's collateral duties consist of the following: HRET Member, FTO and Department Armorer.

CASE HIGHLIGHTS 2015

In January, Detective Silveira investigated a case involving a Juvenile threatening online to kill students at school. During the investigation, Detective Silveira was able to obtain the IP address of the juvenile who made the threatening comments and was able to get a search warrant for the suspect's residence and make an arrest.

In February, Detective Silveira investigated a Residential Burglary case where subjects were inside an outbuilding of a residence. During the investigation, Detective Silveira was able to obtain statements from witnesses and suspects along with physical evidence that resulted in multiple subjects being arrested for multiple burglaries.

In August, Detective Silveira investigated a Theft case which involved a suspect stealing more than \$80,000 dollars from a relative's bank account. Detective Silveira was able to gather enough evidence through bank records and witness/suspect interviews to arrest the suspect for one count of Theft 1st and 52 counts of Identity Theft.

In October, Detective Silveira investigated a Rape of a Child case. Through the investigation, Detective Silveira conducted several interviews with possible victims and witnesses along with the suspect. After conducting the interviews, Detective Silveira was able to arrest the suspect in this case for Rape of a Child 3rd degree.

4 ~ INVESTIGATION DIVISION DETECTIVES



Officer Lisa Powers-Rang

DETECTIVE LISA POWERS-RANG

Has been with the Oak Harbor Police Department for over seven years and has been in the Investigation Division for just over one year. Some of Detective Powers-Rang's collateral duties consist of the following: Field Training Officer and Bicycle Officer. Detective Powers-Rang also is tasked with being the department's forensic child interviewer and sexual assault investigator.

CASE HIGHLIGHTS 2015

In February, Detective Powers-Rang investigated a report of a possible Rape of a Child. Detective Powers-Rang conducted several Child Forensic Interviews and was able to recover enough evidence through these interviews to make an arrest of the suspect for two counts of Rape of a Child 1st degree and one count of Child Molestation.

In March, Detective Powers-Rang investigated a report of a possible Rape of a Child. During the investigation, Detective Powers-Rang interviewed both the victim and suspect in this case and was able to gather enough evidence in order to make an arrest of the suspect for Rape of a Child 3rd degree.

In December, Detective Powers-Rang conducted a three-month long Narcotics Investigation, which resulted in a search warrant for the suspects' residence. During this investigation, heroin, methamphetamine and a firearm were recovered from the residence. Two subjects were arrested for Possession with Intent to Deliver Methamphetamine and Heroin.

5 ~ JAIL DIVISION



Brian Braunstein
Sergeant

The Jail Division operates a 12-bed, 30-day holding facility. The jail is staffed by six Corrections Officers, under the supervision of Sergeant Braunstein, who reports to the Department Captain. All Corrections Officers are trained and certified through the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission. Officers are also required to maintain Level I and II Defensive Tactics certification and must qualify to department firearms standards. Corrections Officers work in 3-officer squads: one Officer works day shift (6 am to 6 pm), one works cover shift (6 am to 6 pm) and one works mid-shift (6 pm to 6 am). This provides double coverage during the busiest hours of the day, while maintaining 24- hour coverage of the Oak Harbor City Jail.

The Correction Officers' primary duties include the care and custody of all prisoners held at the Oak Harbor City Jail. Corrections Officers process all arrests brought into the jail through fingerprinting, photographing and data entry of each subject. Officers coordinate all commitments of convicted individuals from the Oak Harbor Municipal Court and also the scheduling and transporting of individuals for any required court appearances or transfers to other law enforcement agencies. Correction Officers are responsible for entering information into State and National computer databases; such as stolen or impounded vehicles, missing persons and runaways, and certain types of stolen property.

Correction Officers also maintain the Arrest Warrants file, which consists



Mark Rodney
Corrections Officer



Greg Woodward
Corrections Officer



David Faagau
Corrections Officer

5 ~ JAIL DIVISION

of approximately 700 warrants. This includes the entry, confirmation and removal of all locally served warrants and also working with other agencies when the warrant is served outside of Oak Harbor jurisdiction. Among the Correction Officers' other collateral duties are fingerprinting of all applicants for Concealed Pistol Licenses, special license requirements, School District employment, and any elimination printing required by the department. The majority of fingerprint submissions are done through the Live Scan Fingerprint System. In 2015 the jail received a new livescan machine. The previous machine was originally purchased in 2006. This system electronically submits fingerprints directly to the Washington State Patrol, which provides for a more efficient response in questions of individual identity and ensures the placing of charge information on criminal histories. Inmates, under the direct supervision of Correction Officers, are responsible for meal preparation, laundry, cleaning of all Jail areas, as well as other work details in and around the Police Department.

The Jail has an inmate phone system that is based on collect-calls, with phones readily available to inmates in each cell. This allows inmates constant access to phones and alleviates Jail staff from spending time assisting inmates with phone calls. The phones generate revenue for the City but are maintained by a private company with no operating costs to the City.

The City of Oak Harbor has three existing contracts to house inmates. The contracts are with the Department of Corrections (DOC) and the Cities of Burlington and Anacortes. The jail charges \$65.00 per day for housing inmates. In 2015 the Jail generated \$8645.00 with these contracts.

In 2015, the Oak Harbor City Jail processed 56 juvenile subjects and abides by guidelines from the Washington State Office of Juvenile Justice to remain in compliance with their rules and regulations for the temporary detainment of all juvenile offenders.

There were 774 adult bookings processed through the Jail in 2015: 565 males and 209 females.



Carlos Espiritu
Corrections Officer



Jeff Rang
Corrections Officer



Danielle Arnett
Corrections Officer

6 ~ RECORDS DIVISION



Leslie Morgan
Records & Evidence
Supervisor

DIVISION STATISTICS

- ❖ 1,563 items were entered into Evidence
- ❖ 210 items were entered as Found Property
- ❖ 140 items were stored for Safekeeping
- ❖ 30 Firearms were taken in
- ❖ 129 Seized Drug item entries (not related to the Drug Take Back Program)
- ❖ Total items currently stored in Evidence: 3,100

- ❖ 703 Infractions
- ❖ 463 Criminal Citations
- ❖ 574 Written Warnings issued

- ❖ Transcribed 27 Interviews totaling 462 pages
- ❖ Administered and disseminated 562 Public Disclosure Requests
- ❖ Processed 1,543 records and reports for prosecutors, CPS, and other agencies
- ❖ Reviewed 12,713 incidents resulting in the creations of 2,023 Electronic Case Files and 1,129 Hard Copy Cases
- ❖ Disseminated 440 Served, Expired or Recalled Warrants to the Court

- ❖ Processed a total of 572 CPL's
 - 432 Originals
 - 70 Renewals
 - 20 Renewals with Late Fee
 - 40 Replacements
 - 7 Dealer Licenses
 - 2 Denied

Leslie Morgan

joined the Oak Harbor Police Department in October of 2015 and is assigned as the Records and Evidence Supervisor. Leslie retired from the US Navy as a Chief Construction Mechanic, Seabee Combat Warfare, after serving 23 years. After retiring from the military, she went on to obtain her bachelors degree in Criminal Justice , a masters in Organizational Leadership, a graduate certificate in Human Resource Management and Human Resources Development. She is three courses away from obtaining her masters in Human Resources. Prior to being hired by the Oak Harbor Police Department, Leslie was a Department of Defense employee. She worked at the Personnel Support Detachment Naval Air Station Whidbey Island for three years.

6 ~ RECORDS DIVISION



RECORDS SPECIALISTS

Barbi May joined the Police Department in 1989 as the receptionist and transitioned to records specialist in 1996. **Yvette Noyes** joined the Police Department in 2002 as a Records Specialist.

Our Records specialists' dedication and attention to detail in performing their duties helps ensure our department runs smoothly and efficiently. These duties include but are not limited to the preparation of court orders to be served, preparing /copying cases for the prosecutor, running criminal histories, warrant entry, daily case review and preparation, background checks and public disclosure requests.

The Records Staff at the Oak Harbor Police Department prides itself in running an efficient department, and keeping up with the ever-changing regulations and procedures that occur within law enforcement. The staff performs a multitude of duties as well as assisting officers and citizens with timely responses to requests.

RECEPTIONIST

Lisa Edlin has served the city of Oak Harbor since 2006, and transferred from the Finance and Utilities office to the Police Department as the Receptionist in 2014. Lisa has excelled in her new role and provides tremendous customer service to the community. Additionally, she processes all Special Event Applications for the city.

7 ~ PATROL

Patrol Division: The largest individual component within the Department, the Patrol Squads are composed of sixteen full-time positions - four Patrol Sergeants and twelve Patrol Officers. Each Sergeant supervises a team of three officers. Their responsibilities include responding to primary (emergency) and secondary (routine) calls for service, investigating reports of criminal activity, enforcing traffic laws and fulfilling their community caretaking responsibilities by assisting the public, as best they can, by responding to requests for assistance in matters such as public speaking and educational events, stranded motorists, answering questions about the legal system and many other examples too numerous to detail.



7 ~ PATROL

SERGEANTS



Sergeant Cedric Niiro

Sergeant Niiro has been with the Police Department for over 24 years. He serves as the department Explorer Post advisor and is on the Board of Directors for CADA (Citizens Against Domestic Abuse) and was appointed to the City of Oak Harbor's Youth Commission in 2013.

Sergeant Wilkie has been with the Police Department for over 25 years. He serves as the Team Leader for the High Risk Entry Team (HRET) and the Traffic Safety Emphasis Coordinator.



Sergeant Bill Wilkie



Sergeant Carl Seim

Sergeant Seim has been with the Police Department for over 18 years. His current duties are Supervising B Squad, EVOC instructor, cell phone forensic, and sniper.

Sergeant Carter has been with OHPD for eight years but has a total of 11 years of experience. Sergeant Carter is the departments only Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and has been requested to assist neighboring agencies with DUI investigations. Sergeant Carter still works as the lead firearms instructor and the Hostage Negotiator for the department.



Sergeant Loyd Carter

7 ~ PATROL

PATROL OFFICERS



Officer Steve Nordstrand



Officer John Little



Officer Mike Clements

PATROL HIGHLIGHTS 2015

Officer Schricker, Officer Nordstrand, and Sergeant Wilkie responded to a barricaded suicidal female trying to start a fire in her apartment. The suspect opened the door for the officers. Officers processed the scene and conducted several interviews. It was determined that the suspect assaulted two roommates (adult and child) as they attempted to stop her from lighting things on fire in the apartment. Punches and kicks were thrown. The child sustained a minor burn in the process. Officer Schricker arrested the female suspect who was charged with several crimes.

Officer Little; Suicide threat call. Officer Little and Sgt. Niiro responded to a report of a subject who had left a voicemail message that they had slit their wrist. Locals records were not current and checking the address in local records was not helpful. Officer Little remembered that the subject lived a few blocks away from the station but thought had moved to Mt. Vernon. We checked that address without success as well. Further investigating discovered that the subject did live in Mt. Vernon. Officer Little requested the subjects cell phone number be "pinged" which resulted in a city beach location. Officer Little located the vehicle in the parking lot with subject who had slit her wrist. The subject resisted us and medicals efforts to treat and remove her from the car. She continued to resist the entire time until treated at the hospital.

7 ~ PATROL

PATROL OFFICERS



Officer Pat Horn



Officer Mel Lolmaugh



Officer Tony Slowik

PATROL HIGHLIGHTS 2015

Officer Clements, Officer Lolmaugh, and Sergeant Wilkie investigated a domestic violence incident at an apartment. A male suspect pushed his girlfriend onto the bed and held her down by grabbing her throat. The suspect threatened to kill her and she was afraid of him. The female victim said he had guns. The male suspect was ineligible to possess firearms from a domestic violence conviction. Officer Clements arrested the suspect for Assault 4th (DV) and Harassment (Threats to Kill). While searching his backpack subsequent to arrest, Officer Clements located a pistol. Additional firearms were located in the home by Sergeant Wilkie. The suspect was later booked on above charges as well as Unlawful Possession of a Firearm.

Officer Valenzuela responded to a call of a man in the water yelling for help. Officer Valenzuela's quick thinking led him to commandeer a boat from the marina so he could get the man out of the water. Officer Valenzuela also demonstrated this when he assisted four out of town high school kids who's vehicle broke down after a football game. Officer Valenzuela not only fixed their vehicle he also had them call him to ensure they got home safely.

7 ~ PATROL

PATROL OFFICERS



Officer Jon Valenzuela



Officer Jenn Gravel



Officer Ron Esparza

PATROL HIGHLIGHTS 2015

Officer Horn; Suicidal complaint. Officer Horn and Officer Gravel responded to a suicidal subject call. Upon arrival they found a subject barricaded in a room. Officer Horn forced the door open to find a subject actively stabbing himself in the arm with a knife. The subject stood up and faced Officer Horn and Gravel with the knife but dropped it when ordered to do so. He was taken into custody without further incident.

Sergeant Carter investigated or assisted investigating nine DUI's in 2015. Four of the cases were DRE evaluations; with one of those being request to assist the Washington State Patrol.

Sergeant Wilkie performed a residential burglary investigation at an apartment. The suspect had entered through a window and stole a few items. Sergeant Wilkie processed the scene and collected some latent lifts which were submitted into evidence. Case was assigned to the Detective Division. The latent lifts were later classified as identifiable and a possible suspect was identified.

7 ~ PATROL

PATROL OFFICERS



Officer Nathan Padrta



Officer Matthew Krynski



Officer Claire Schrickler

PATROL HIGHLIGHTS 2015

On February 3, 2015 ICOM dispatched a Residential Burglary report at a residence on NE 7th Ave. ICOM advised the reporting party was reporting the residence on NE 7th Ave had been broken into. Officer Padrta observed a female in a black jacket with the hood up walking away from the residence. Officer Esparza contacted the female who was identified and later arrested for her involvement in the residential burglary. Officer Padrta contacted the reporting party who provided permission to check the residence. Sgt. Seim and Officer Krynski went to the rear of the detached garage for the residence. Sgt. Seim entered through the rear window of the detached garage and contacted a male suspect who was identified and arrested for residential burglary.

Oak Harbor Police Department received written permission from the reporting party to search the residence. While searching the garage of the residence items related to other burglaries were found including personal items for the suspects in custody. Officer Krynski found a pair of white women's gloves, a knife, and a metal shim that had been bent which are commonly used in the commission of burglaries.

Officer Esparza located several keys in the female's pocket. One of the keys located in her pocket belonged to the Ford parked in the garage. Officer Esparza also located a baggy in her back pocket. Through training and experience Officer Esparza believed the substance in her back pocket to be methamphetamine. Officer Esparza tested the substance using a field test kit and it showed positive for methamphetamine.

7 ~ PATROL

NEW LATERAL ENTRY OFFICER



Officer Keith Kretchman

Officer Kretchman joined the Oak Harbor Police Department in July. Officer Kretchman retired from the Navy as a Chief Master of Arms after serving for 21 years. He then served as a Police Officer in Georgia for three years before coming to Oak Harbor. He completed the required equivalency course at the state academy and his field training with OHPD Officers. Officer Kretchman was then assigned to D squad in December 2015.

LEPO Process

Lateral Entry Police Officer (LEPO) - This is an experienced police officer who is currently employed at another police agency and applies to work for the Oak Harbor Police Department. This is a person who may or may not have a college education. Once identified on the hire lists they will be subjected to a series of tests and interviews before they are given a conditional job offer. Once they are in receipt of a conditional job offer they will complete the psychological and medical screening processes. During this time a department detective is assigned to conduct a thorough background of the individual, talking to people in their lives from their past to current day. This process can go fairly quickly (one to two months) because most of the time we are able to talk with an officer's current agency to obtain a lot of information needed to complete the background investigation. Once this is completed the officer will be hired. If they are an officer coming from another Washington State agency, they will immediately be outfitted and assigned to work with a veteran field training officer for about eight weeks (or less) and then released to work alone. If they are an officer coming from out of state, once they are hired they will be given an opportunity to attend the Washington State Criminal Justice Equivalency Academy. This is a two week (pass or fail) course designed for experienced officers. Once this is complete, the officer is certified to work in Washington State and they will be assigned to work with a veteran field training officer for about eight weeks (or less).

7 ~ PATROL

NEW ENTRY LEVEL OFFICER

Officer Brown joined the Oak Harbor Police Department in August. Officer Brown is from Utah, and came to Oak Harbor after serving 10 years in the service as an Army Ranger. He is currently in the Basic Law Enforcement Academy and was elected to serve as class president by his peers. Officer Brown will graduate on January 12, 2016.



Officer Michael Brown

In These Halls... Training the Guardians of Democracy.

ELPO Process

Entry Level Police Officer (ELPO) – A person who applies for the position of police officer, and has no prior experience in law enforcement. This is a person who may or may not have a college education. Once identified on the hire lists they will be subjected to a series of tests and interviews before they are given a conditional job offer. Once they are in receipt of a conditional job offer they will complete the psychological and medical screening processes. During this time a department detective is assigned to conduct a thorough background of the individual, talking to people in their lives from their past to current day. This process takes about six to eight months to complete. Once this is done, they will be sent to a police academy for six months of basic training in law enforcement. Once this is complete they will be required to complete a field training program, working alongside a veteran training officer for four to six months. After this, the ELPO can begin to work alone, surrounded by veteran officers.

8 ~ SPECIAL UNITS

HIGH RISK ENTRY TEAM (HRET)

The OHPD Detective Sergeant requests that the HRET serve a warrant for heroin at a home. There is a good chance that several persons with criminal histories could be located at the home. The confidential informant advises that there are numerous weapons (pistols and rifles) accessible throughout the home; that the suspects are possibly part of a Mexican drug cartel; that cameras monitor the location (driveway and home) along with an alert device at the top of the driveway. For this reason it is necessary to have entry personnel approach on foot. On the day of the warrant the team moves to the location and stages at the front door. A team operator makes the knock and announcement: "Oak Harbor Police Department, search warrant, open the door." No one answers the door and the team has to force entry with a battering ram. Other tactical operators break a bedroom window so they can cover the suspect to prevent him from picking up one of his assault rifles that is next to his bed. The suspect complies with verbal commands as he sees he is heavily outnumbered and the police have the tactical advantage. As a result the suspect is taken into custody without anyone being injured.

The above scenario is an example of a real life mission performed by the Oak Harbor Police Department HRET. The HRET is a select group of highly motivated officers that perform high risk missions that require a high level of tactical expertise.

The team is called out in instances where it is too dangerous for patrol officers to handle the call due to the suspect's criminal history (usually violent) and the presence of weapons that could be used against the police.



8 ~ SPECIAL UNITS

HIGH RISK ENTRY TEAM (HRET)



2015 TEAM MEMBERS:

Sergeant Bill Wilkie ~ Team Leader

- ◆ Twenty-four years as tactical team operator
- ◆ Team trainer
- ◆ Served in approximately 103 missions during HRET career

Officer Mike Clements ~ Assistant Team Leader

- ◆ Twelve years as tactical team operator
- ◆ Served in approximately 44 missions during HRET career

Officer John Valenzuela ~ Scout

- ◆ Eight years as tactical team operator
- ◆ Rifle instructor
- ◆ Team trainer
- ◆ Served in approximately 30 missions during HRET career

Detective Jim Hoagland ~ Scout

- ◆ Six years as tactical team operator
- ◆ Taser Instructor
- ◆ Served in approximately 23 missions during HRET career

Detective Manny Silveira ~ Scout / Breacher

- ◆ Six years as tactical team operator
- ◆ Department Armorer
- ◆ Served in approximately 23 missions during HRET career

Officer Chris Peabody ~ Scout

- ◆ Two years as tactical team operator
- ◆ Defensive Tactics Instructor
- ◆ Less Lethal / Chemical Munitions Instructor
- ◆ Served in approximately 7 missions during HRET career

Sergeant Carl Seim ~ Sniper

- ◆ Sergeant Seim is the Department sniper and provides support for the team as needed.

8 ~ SPECIAL UNITS

HIGH RISK ENTRY TEAM (HRET)

The team continued working with members of the Oak Harbor Fire Department during tactical operations which increases the safety for officers and citizens. These Fire Department personnel are known as Tactical Emergency Medical Services (TEMS). TEMS is out-of-hospital care given in hostile situations by specially trained practitioners. Tactical Medics are Emergency Medical Technicians and / or Paramedics who are trained to provide life-saving care and, sometimes, transport in situations such as tactical police operations. The TEMS team moves into dangerous areas that are partially secured. This allows them to be very close in order to provide immediate care to an injured officer or citizen. The TEMS are now used in all our tactical missions making it safer for officers and citizens.

TEMS personnel conducted an additional 40 hours of training in 2015.

The HRET performs in service training each month and team members attend outside agency training to supplement the Department training. The team trained as a unit for a total of 48 in service hours in 2015. Some individual team members attended additional outside agency training for tactical operations which totaled 24 hours. The joint training exercises incorporate several agencies including Washington State Ferries.

2015 HRET TRAINING TOPICS

Dynamic Entries
Physical Fitness Exercise Including Yearly Testing
Arrest Team Tactics
Active Shooter
Officer Rescues
Immediate Action Drills
MRAP Operations
Range Training
Less Lethal / Chemical Munitions
Distraction Device
Shield Operator Course
Combat First Aid
Joint Training Exercises

2015 HRET MISSIONS

Drug search warrant (heroin and methamphetamine delivery) – Served narcotics search warrant at home with Island County Sheriff’s Office (ICSO) tactical team. This joint mission was conducted in Island County jurisdiction.

Barricaded subject call - ICSO requested our assistance for a call of a possible homicide with a barricaded subject. The call turned out to be a hoax, but was handled as a real incident until discovered otherwise and included an entry into the suspect home by the two tactical teams done jointly.

Criminal Trespass – Team cleared a homeless camp on private property where it was anticipated that there could be several persons present with extensive and in some cases violent criminal histories. The area was cleared in the early morning hours and the camp had been vacated.

8 ~ SPECIAL UNITS

HIGH RISK ENTRY TEAM (HRET)



TACTICAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (TEMS)

Captain Craig Anderson ~ Paramedic

- ◆ Two years as TEMS operator
- ◆ TEMS Team trainer
- ◆ Served in approximately 8 missions during HRET career

Firefighter Andrew Moon ~ Emergency Medical Technician

- ◆ Two years as TEMS operator
- ◆ TEMS Team trainer
- ◆ Served in approximately 6 missions during HRET career

Firefighter Otto Haffner ~ Emergency Medical Technician

- ◆ Two years as TEMS operator
- ◆ Served in approximately 5 missions during HRET career

Firefighter Josh Fikse ~ Emergency Medical Technician

- ◆ Two years as TEMS operator
- ◆ Served in approximately 3 missions during HRET career

Firefighter Cameron Hopkins ~ Emergency Medical Technician

- ◆ Two years as TEMS operator
- ◆ Served in 1 mission during HRET career

EMT-P Bryce Schuldt ~ Paramedic

- ◆ Two years as TEMS Team Trainer

2015 TEMS TRAINING TOPICS

Trauma Combat Causality Care Topics

MRAP Operation and Driving

Securing Weapons

Tactical Medicine and Movement

Emergency Care Under Fire (Scenario Based)

Patient Loading and Patient Care in Vehicles

9 ~ AUXILIARY UNITS

CITIZEN VOLUNTEERS



Various projects and services performed by the Citizen Volunteers included:

- ◆ Assist with neighborhood watch meetings & community presentations
- ◆ Office Work
- ◆ Patrol vacation checks

Community Events:

- ◆ 4th of July Parade
- ◆ Holland Happenings Parade
- ◆ Marathon Detail
- ◆ Veteran's Day Parade
- ◆ Zombie Parade



The Oak Harbor Police Department is committed to the growth and continued success of the Citizen Volunteer Program. In the spirit of cooperation and partnership with the community, our pledge is to recruit, train and retain dedicated volunteers who will participate in meaningful community safety, security and service activities.



9 ~ AUXILIARY UNITS

RESERVE OFFICER UNIT

The **Reserve Officer** program has been part of the Oak Harbor Police Department for over thirty years. Reserve Officers are screened just like full time Officers. They must go through a background check, polygraph exam, medical exam and an interview prior to being accepted as a Reserve Officer.

In 2015 the Oak Harbor Police Department had four Reserve Officers: Reserve Officer Michael Koval, Jeff Rang, Kristal Kania and Shawn Trisler. By the end of 2015 only Reserve Officer Rang remained. The other three moved and went on to other opportunities.

Oak Harbor Police Department Reserve Officers volunteer a minimum of 20 hours a month of service. Some of those services that Reserve Officers provide are: Security/Traffic control for community events, such as parades, July race week, Oak Harbor Music festival, Oak Harbor Hydro races, Oak Harbor High School football games, dances and graduation. Reserve Officer's also assist full time Officers with patrol duties, which include traffic investigations, responding to emergency calls along with providing additional set of eyes and ears. Our Reserve Police Officers are a very valuable asset to the Police Department and, in turn, the Reserve Officers gain very valuable experience and training towards a future career as a Law Enforcement Officer. These Reserve Officers on non-paid employees and volunteer their time to serve the citizens of Oak Harbor. During 2015, the Reserve Officers volunteered a total of 282 hours serving the City of Oak Harbor. For the year 2015, the Washington State estimated average for hourly volunteer time was \$ 27.54 and ours, for a total of \$ 7766.28 contributed to the City of Oak Harbor.

EXPLORER POST

The **Explorer** program is part of the Boy Scouts of America and our Post is part of the Mount Baker Chapter Boy Scouts. The Post has been active since 1991. Sergeant Niiro has been the advisor since 1993. In 2009, Officer Gravel volunteered to be an Associate Advisor.

Activities and hours put in by the 2015 Explorer Post include over 337 hours in Patrol ride-along's, meetings and trainings. Community service activities like National Night Out and The NAVY League Veterans' Day program at the Oak Harbor High School. The Explorers also assist our officers in directing traffic at the Holland Happening and Fourth of July parades. They also assist with training the departments HRET team.

Currently, six Explorers serve in the Post. Two civilian volunteers serve on the Post Advisory Committee, and the Police Chief serves as the Executive Officer. Three new Explorers came on board in 2015.

10 ~ DEPARTMENT UPDATES

FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY



On January 12, 2015 Chief Green began a 10 week intensive course of study at the FBI National Academy, Quantico, VA.

The FBI National Academy is described as:

“A professional development course for U.S. and international law enforcement leaders. It serves to improve the administration of justice in police departments and agencies at home and abroad and to raise law enforcement standards, knowledge, and cooperation worldwide. Its mission is “to support, promote, and enhance the personal and professional development of law enforcement leaders by preparing them for complex, dynamic, and contemporary challenges through innovative techniques, facilitating excellence in education and research, and forging partnerships throughout the world.”

Under curriculum developed by the University of Virginia, Chief Green was assigned to a graduate level course of study in Leadership, Conflict Resolution, Public Speaking, Legal Issues, Managing Organizational Change and Physical Fitness.

Chief Green was required to maintain a 3.0 GPA throughout the 10 weeks of study, as well as complete participation in all of the physical activities.

Chief Green maintained a 3.9 GPA and completed all of the physical fitness training and tests allowing him to participate in the famed Yellow Brick Road run before graduation.

The Yellow Brick Road run is a 6.1 mile final physical fitness test. Participants must climb over walls, run through creeks, jump through windows, scale rock faces with ropes, crawl under barbed wire in muddy water, maneuver across cargo netting and complete a 3 mile road run. The course is named after the Yellow Bricks used to mark the route for the runners.

On March 20, 2015 Chief Green graduated near the top of his class.



10 ~ DEPARTMENT UPDATES

STATE APPOINTMENT

Judicial Information Services Committee

In January 2015 Chief Green was recognized as a leader amongst his peers and was nominated as the law enforcement representative from the Washington Association Sheriffs and Police Chief's (WASPC) to sit on the Judicial Information Services Committee (JISC). Chief Green was chosen as the representative from among the 184 agencies and their respective command staff that make up WASPC.

Chief Green's nomination was reviewed and approved by Washington State Supreme Court Justice Barbara Madsen.

The purpose of the committee is as follows:

The Judicial Information System (JIS) is the primary information system for courts in Washington. It provides case management automation to appellate, superior, limited jurisdiction and juvenile courts. Its two-fold purpose is: (1) to automate and support the daily operations of the courts and (2) to maintain a statewide network connecting the courts and partner criminal justice agencies to the JIS database. It serves as a statewide clearinghouse for criminal history information, domestic violence protection orders and outstanding warrants. The benefits of this approach are the reduction of the overall cost of automation and access to accurate statewide history information for criminal, domestic violence, and protection order history.

The principal JIS clients are judicial officers, court managers, and other court staff. JIS also provides essential information to the Washington State Patrol, Department of Corrections, Office of the Secretary of State, Sentencing Guidelines Commission, Department of Licensing, local law enforcement agencies, and prosecutors. Other users include public defenders, the media, and law firms.

The JIS is formally established by authority of RCW 2.68 and Judicial Information System Committee Rules (JISCR). Funding for JIS is provided through user fees on court filings and fines.

Chief Green serves on the committee for a 3-year term (2015-2018). He represents the law enforcement interest in the development of information systems, software and use of hardware used to automate the Washington State court process. He is responsible for providing feedback about how a change could impact law enforcement services throughout the state, and how implementation of a change would take place from a law enforcement officer's perspective.

10 ~ DEPARTMENT UPDATES

PATROL FLEET

At the beginning of 2015 the Crown Victoria police vehicles used for years by the Oak Harbor police department were all close to or over 100,000 miles on their respective odometers. The interiors were worn out, as were several other components of the cars. They were becoming very costly for the City to maintain.

In September 2011 the Ford Motor Company stopped production of the Crown Victoria police vehicle replacing it with a new Police Interceptor Sedan and Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV).

The Oak Harbor Police Department was fortunate enough to still have a few years of life on its fleet in 2011. This gave us time to evaluate the new Ford vehicles to determine which, if any would be a “good fit” for the way we work. After some comparisons and discussions with the City Council and City Administration it was decided that the Ford Motor Company SUV would be the best choice to replace our fleet.

So in 2015 we witnessed a complete replacement of the patrol fleet, ushering in an era of police vehicles that were no longer sedans. The Oak Harbor Police Department is now outfitted with AWD Ford SUV’s with more interior room, WiFi capability, LED lighting, Microsoft Surface Tablet’s, in car cameras for interior and exterior recording, along with many other features. They also have a V-6 engine making more horsepower than the old Ford Crown Victoria police vehicles but using less fuel, saving the City money.



11 ~ TRAFFIC ACTIVITY

COLLISIONS

COLLISION CAUSAL FACTORS	
Did Not Grant Right of Way to Vehicle	37
Followed Too Closely	23
Inattention	22
Exceeding Reasonable Safe Speed	15
Disregard Stop & Go Signal	11
Other	8
Improper Turn	7
Improper Backing	6
Did Not Grant R/W to Pedestrian	4
Disregard Stop Sign / Flashing Red	3
Driver Distracted Outside Vehicle	3
Operating Defective Equipment	3
Apparently Asleep	2
Driver Interact w/ Pass / Animal / Object	2
Improper Passing	2
None	2
Over Center Line	2
Apparently Ill	1
Exceeding Stated Speed Limit	1
Failed to Signal	1
Improper Signal	1
Improper U Turn	1
On Wrong Side of Road	1
Under Influence of Alcohol	1
Unknown Drive Distraction	1
Grand Total	160

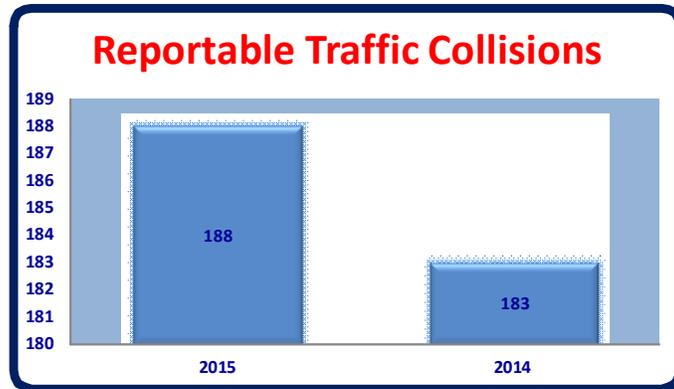
DAYS OF THE WEEK OF COLLISIONS	
Sunday	18
Monday	30
Tuesday	27
Wednesday	29
Thursday	33
Friday	31
Saturday	20

TOP 10 TIMES OF COLLISIONS	
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	26
12:00 p.m.– 1:00 p.m.	23
3:00 p.m.– 4:00 p.m.	22
5:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.	19
2:00 p.m.– 3:00 p.m.	16
1:00 p.m.– 2:00 p.m.	13
11:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.	11
10:00 a.m.– 11:00 a.m.	9
6:00 p.m.– 7:00 p.m.	9
7:00 a.m.– 8:00 a.m.	7

TOP 10 HIGH COLLISION LOCATIONS	
SR 20 & SE Cabot Drive	11
SR 20 & NE 7th Avenue	11
SE 20 & SW Barrington Drive	10
SR 20 & SE Erie Street	8
SW Barlow Street & SR 20	7
NE Goldie Street & SR 20	6
SR 20 & E Whidbey Avenue	6
SR 20 & SW Swantown Avenue	5
W Whidbey Ave. & NW Heller St.	2
N Oak Harbor St. & E Whidbey Ave.	2

11 ~ TRAFFIC ACTIVITY

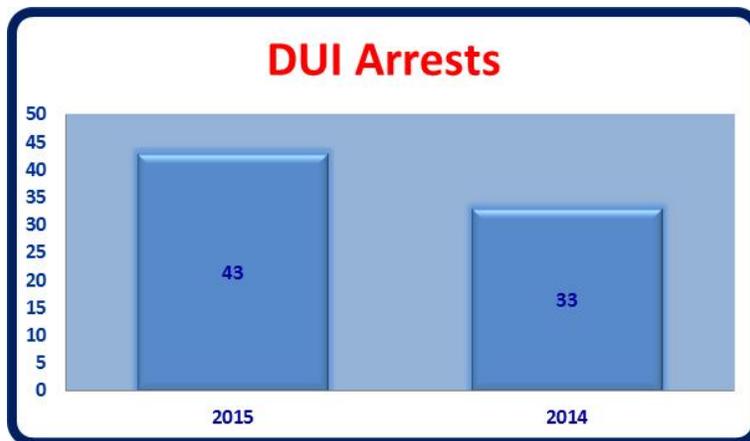
REPORTABLE TRAFFIC COLLISIONS



There were a total of ***188** reportable collisions investigated by the Oak Harbor Police Department during the 12-month period of January through December 2015. This is a 2.7% increase in traffic collisions over the 2014 figure of 183.

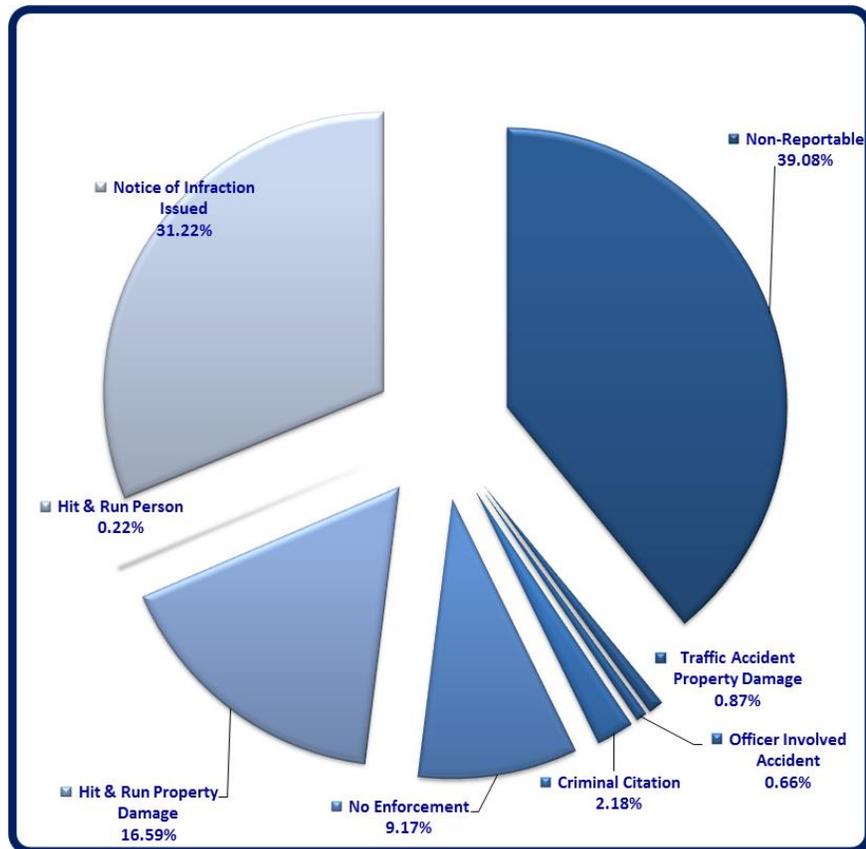
(*Note: The reportable collision figure does not include Hit and Run cases in which a case number is taken, but no accident report is submitted.)

There were an additional **179** non-reportable accidents in 2015 which is down 16.7% from the 2014 figure of 215.



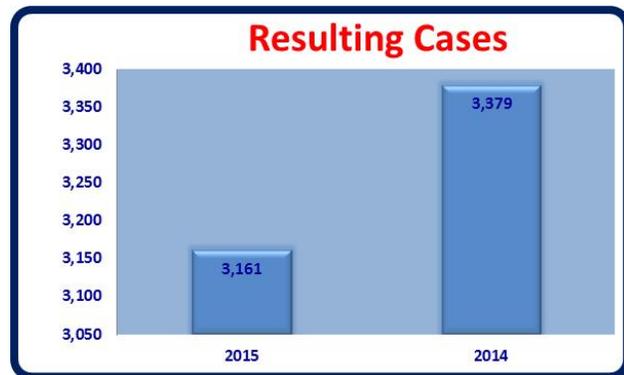
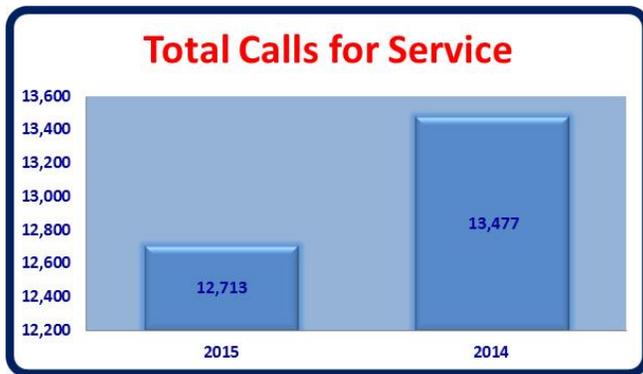
11 ~ TRAFFIC ACTIVITY

ACCIDENT ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY



12 ~ STATISTICS

CALLS FOR SERVICE



Nature	Count	Cases
911 Hang Up	1,152	12
Alarm Commercial	296	3
Alarm Residence	137	1
Animal	1,139	26
Assault Physical	165	92
Assist Agency	191	62
Assist Other	1	0
Assist Public	1,034	31
Attempt to Locate	2	1
Bomb Found	3	1
Bomb Threats	3	1
Burglary Attempt	24	12
Burglary Commercial	19	12
Burglary Residential	100	53
Burn Complaint	7	2
Civil	225	15
Court Detail	12	0
Court Order Violation	101	48

Nature	Count	Cases
Custodial Interference	55	8
Death Invest Unattended	15	15
Disorderly Conduct	238	49
Domestic Physical	325	258
Domestic Verbal	322	234
Fire AFA Commercial	11	0
Fire AFA Residential	2	0
Fire Brush	1	1
Fire Commercial	13	3
Fire Residential	19	8
Fire Service Call	1	0
Fire Vehicle	5	3
Fireworks Complaint	79	58
Fraud Bad Check	15	5
Fraud Forgery	1	1
Fraud Other	189	78
Harassment	171	33
Hazardous Material	1	0

12 ~ STATISTICS

CALLS FOR SERVICE

Nature	Count	Cases	Nature	Count	Cases
Information Report	94	2	Sex Offense Other	52	42
Juvenile Complaint	91	9	Soliciting	34	5
Juvenile Neglect/Abuse	83	16	Suicide Threat	161	113
Juvenile Runaway	113	56	Suspicious Person/Circumstance	737	54
Kidnapping	1	0	Taking Motor Veh w/o Permission	5	2
Littering	36	10	Theft	302	169
MVA Non-Injury	383	343	Theft Services	4	1
MVA Unknown Injury	127	113	Theft Shoplift	132	105
Malicious Mischief	260	146	Threats	114	43
Marine Incident	5	0	Tobacco Violation	2	0
Medical Assist Non Emergency	1	0	Traffic	419	23
Medical	187	54	Traffic Criminal FTS	1	1
Medical CPR	15	7	Traff Crim Driving Susp/Revoked	98	90
Mental Non Criminal	45	3	Traffic Disable	87	4
Miscellaneous	1	0	Traffic Hazard	141	1
Missing Person	58	13	Traffic Possible DUI	169	34
Noise Complaint	205	35	Traffic Stop	2	2
Nuisance Other	12	0	Trespass Other	264	81
Nuisance Phone Calls	2	0	Unsecure Premise	46	1
Patrol Check	24	0	Utility Detail	197	0
Phone Message	2	0	Vacation Check	1	0
Property	264	28	Vehicle Abandon	121	40
Prowler	52	5	Vehicle Impound	61	51
Rape	8	7	Vehicle Prowl	149	113
Rape Attempted	1	0	Vehicle Theft	48	20
Reminder (office use)	22	0	Verbal Dispute	73	20
Rescue	1	1	Vice Liquor HBD	43	7
Rescue Marine	5	2	Vice Liquor MIP	11	3
Robbery Armed	3	3	Vice VUCSA	207	50
Robbery Strong-Arm	1	1	Wanted Person	220	18
Sex Indecent Exposure	14	5	Weapon Offense	110	31
Sex Lewd Conduct	21	11	Welfare Check	491	41
			Total Calls For Service	12,713	3,161

12 ~ STATISTICS

VEHICLE LOSS STATEMENT

2015	Value Stolen	Value Recovered
January	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
February	\$25,000.00	\$24,000.00
March	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
April	\$34,200.00	\$34,200.00
May	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
June	\$0.00	\$0.00
July	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00
August	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
September	\$0.00	\$0.00
October	\$0.00	\$0.00
November	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
December	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals	\$94,900.00	\$93,900.00

PROPERTY LOSS STATEMENT

2015	Value Stolen	Value Recovered
January	\$114,153.95	\$1,800.00
February	\$23,630.83	\$1,054.62
March	\$19,256.52	\$12,737.31
April	\$17,407.01	\$1,147.13
May	\$17,705.48	\$513.71
June	\$17,988.11	\$132.00
July	\$11,297.77	\$646.50
August	\$15,113.25	\$434.51
September	\$16,017.63	\$1,503.14
October	\$41,549.80	\$677.05
November	\$11,828.05	\$1,081.79
December	\$23,435.88	\$166.34
Totals		

12 ~ STATISTICS

PART 1 CRIMES

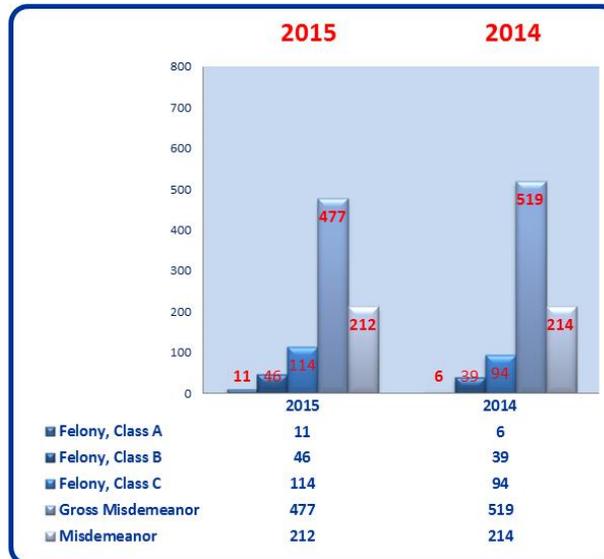
The **Part 1 Crimes** statistical analysis uses seven criminal statutes (Arson, Assault, Auto Theft, Burglary, Homicide, Rape and Robbery), for the purpose of determining a statistical comparison of the crime rate between cities of all sizes.

Year	2015	2014
Arson	1	1
Assault	203	180
Auto Theft	14	12
Burglary	67	83
Homicide	0	1
Rape	9	6
Robbery	5	4

OTHER CRIMES

Year	2015	2014
Bad Checks	3	5
Car Prowl	113	73
Disorderly Conduct	39	55
Forgery	14	8
Fraud	31	57
Liquor Violations	10	15
Malicious Mischief	121	139
Narcotics	74	71
Resisting / Obstructing	18	28
Runaways	56	37
Sex Offenses	42	26
Shoplifting	91	91
Theft	190	204
Traffic (including DUI)	638	716
Weapons Violations	21	18

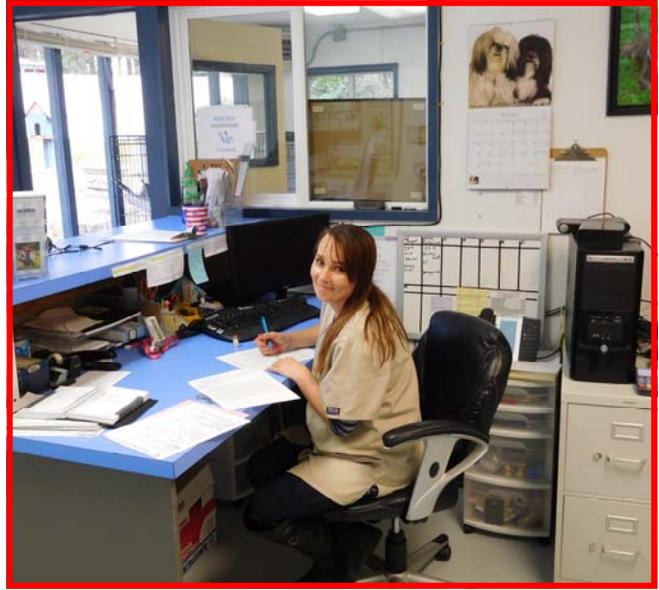
ARRESTS



13 ~ PHOTOS



Sergeant Carter



**Danielle Thompson at the
Animal Holding Facility**



**April Fool ~ Someone's truck
was shrink wrapped with
signs and stuffed animals.**

**"Are you gonna call this one
in too!!
April Fools!!"**

13 ~ PHOTOS



Ed "Flinstone"



PBY Relocation



"Staffuly" Appreciation Week at OHHS



Happy St. Patrick's Day

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D Squad



FBI Academy Training

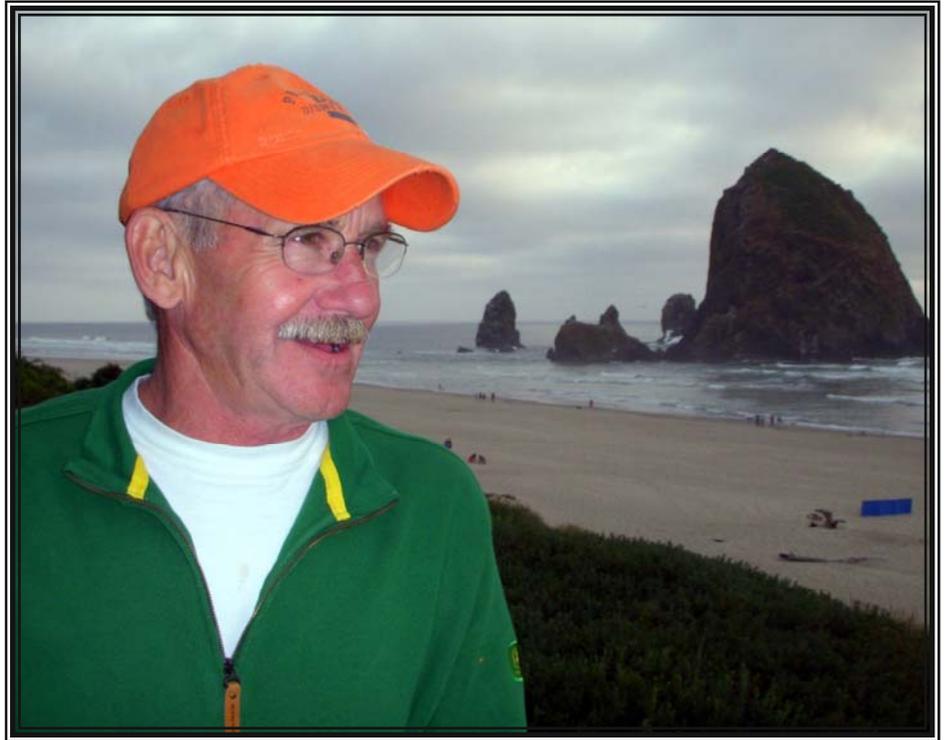


Shop With A Hero

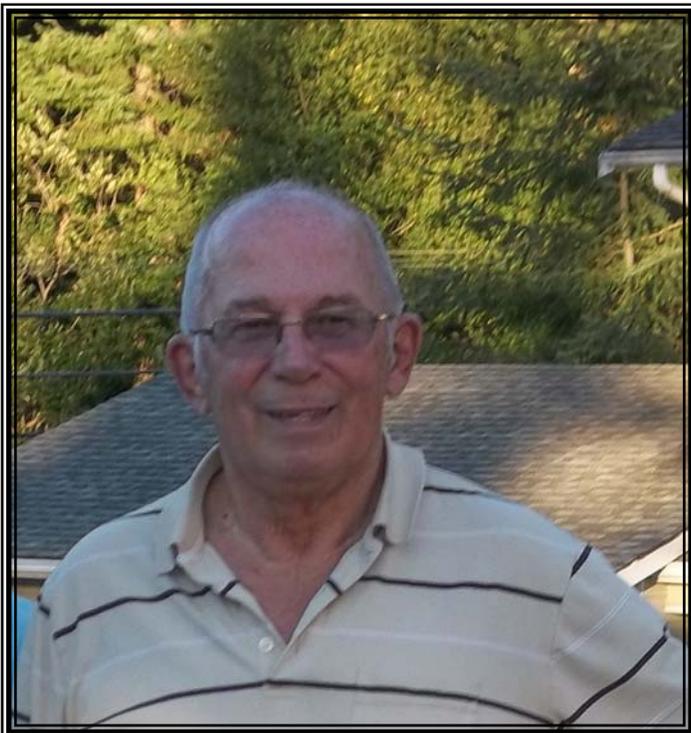


The picture says it all.

13 ~ IN MEMORIUM



Jerry Baker ~ Sergeant OHPD ~ 30 years of service



Steve Marcus ~ Citizen Volunteer

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