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CURRENT STAFF

Darin DeHaan – Chief of Police 12 Years of Service

Shawn Melville – Lieutenant 11 Years of Service

Randy Cropp – Sergeant 10 Years of Service

Joe Brooks – K-9 Officer 6 Years of Service

OZ – 4 Years of Service

Jon Mandrell – Corporal 5 Years of Service

Brad Cash- Patrol Officer 6 Years of Service

Josh Fillers – Patrol Officer 3 Years of Service

Matt Kalnins – Patrol Officer 2 Years of Service

Rich Wilkinson – Patrol Officer 1 Year of Service

Mary Elliott – Administrative Assistant – 11 Years of Service

Duane Linscott – Part-Time – Patrol Officer – 32 Years of Service

January 12, 2009

City of Oregon

115 North 3rd Street

Oregon, IL 61061

Dear Mayor Stone and Oregon City Council,

I submit for your assessment the 2008 Annual Year End Report for the Oregon Police Department. 2008 was a hectic year with a failing global economy and a huge increase in fuel costs. I am well aware that the City of Oregon fights a constant battle with finances and public safety. I am glad, as a citizen of Oregon that we have forged ahead in attempts to maintain a safe working and living environment in Oregon. The Police Department plays an integral role in maintaining the image of a safe city to raise your family and to work. The Police Department rededicates itself each day to the goal of maintaining a safe and productive city for our citizens and visitors.

I am fortunate as a Chief of Police to be surrounded by many dedicated people who keep this City running smoothly. From the staff of city hall, street department, Mayor, and City Council we all get the job done. We met the challenges of 2008 head on and I believe you will see throughout this report that we successfully maintained a high quality of living for our citizens.

It is with great pride that I present for your review the 2008 Oregon Police Department Year End Report.

Sincerely Yours,

Darin J. DeHaan

Chief of Police

City Officials —

Mayor Thomas Stone

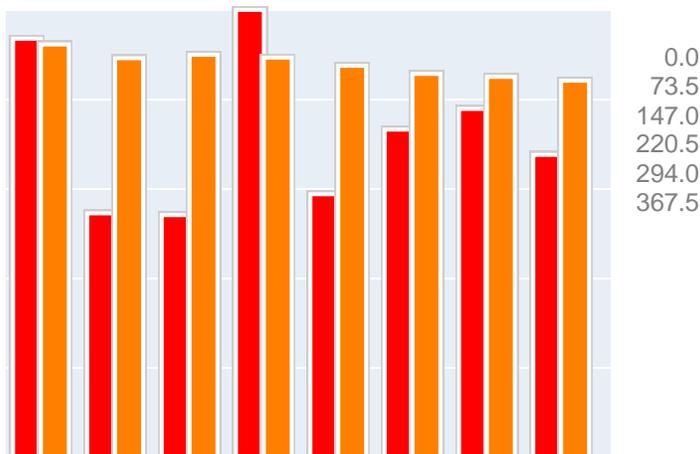
City Council Bob Rees, Jim Lauer, Thomas Miller, Ken Williams

City Clerk Charlene Ruthe

Chief of Police Darin DeHaan

Lieutenant Shawn Melville

CRIME BY YEAR



RED Oregon City-data.com crime index ORANGE U.S. average City-data.com crime index

Full-time Law Enforcement Employees in 2006: 10 (9 officers).

Officers per 1,000 residents here:  2.17

US city average:  3.00

<http://www.city-data.com/city/Oregon-Illinois.html>

New Employees

The Oregon Police Department, for the first time in a long time did not lose any employees there for no new employees were hired.

Promotions

No new promotions in 2008.

Department Education

Chief Darin DeHaan completed the requirements for his Master of Arts degree from Northwestern University. Chief DeHaan graduated from Northwestern University in June of 2008.

Cpl. Jon Mandrell is finished his graduate program through Western Illinois University. Jon graduated with his Masters Degree from Western Illinois University in December of 2008.

K-9 officer Joe Brooks continues his Spanish class at Kishwaukee College. He is becoming more fluent in Spanish all the time. This will be a great asset to the Oregon Police Department.

2008 Special Enforcement Programs

Tobacco Compliance

The Oregon Police Department continues to conduct Tobacco Compliance checks with our businesses. This program is organized and run by Cpl. Jon Mandrell. There was one violations this year and those businesses and employee were cited for the violation. It is our goal to garner 100% compliance when it comes to not selling tobacco product to our youth.

Grants and Donations

The Oregon Police Department continued to be active in seeking grant funding to offset the costs of operations.

- 1) PERF Grant - \$ 15,000 – The Oregon Police Department will be awarded radios and air time for the new Star-com radio system as a part of a regional grant through the Federal government.
- 2) With Bill Fearer Sr. legal assistance the Oregon Police Department has entered a lease agreement with the Ogle County Sheriff's Dept. that will give us access to their data base and will make that available via wireless to the squad cars. This will be an huge step forward in data sharing in Ogle County.

Training

The Oregon Police Department continues to proactively train and educate all of our employees. In 2007 we continued to train for an emergency response at our schools. This year we included multi-agency training at the school by including Ogle Counties Emergency Response Team in the scenario.

The department continues implement the federally mandated Incident Command Training. Training was provided to Water and Street Department employees. Training is being scheduled for the Oregon Fire Department and Oregon Ambulance.

The Department, along with the Ogle County Sheriff's Department and the Byron Police Department, has purchased a Red Man Training suit. This suit has been used for live scenario training and for hand to hand combat and control tactics. This is a great addition to our training program.

Lt. Melville, Sgt. Cropp and Officer Linscott continue to provide current an essential firearms training for the Oregon Police Department. We have implemented the use of several types of simmunition handguns and rifles to our firearms training. Live fire scenario training is of the utmost importance.

Juvenile Justice Programs 2008

Community Service

The Oregon Police Department continues to utilize the community service program since its implementation in 2005. Community service is often assigned to a juvenile as a diversion to court and at the request of the victim. Parents of the offender can also request that their son or daughter complete community service as a result of his or her actions. In 2008, juveniles completed community service with the Oregon Park District, the City of Oregon Street Department, the VFW, the AOP committee, and various areas throughout the city that needed work, such as garbage pickup or cleaning. The program has received high praise from all parties involved.

Victim-Offender Conferencing

Victim-Offender Conferencing has been used throughout Ogle County since its inception in 2004. Our department utilized the program from the beginning and it quickly evolved into a countywide program, which is now being court-ordered at sentencing for juveniles. The program is also a diversion to court for juveniles and consists of the juvenile offender meeting with the victim, along with a third-party facilitator, who then directs discussion about why a crime occurred. This program gives the victim the opportunity to ask questions and seek closure as to why they were victimized. Victims typically leave the conference with an apology from the offender, as well as possible agreements to restitution, if necessary.

Our department utilized this program when an elderly woman was receiving prank phone calls from teenagers. After our department was able to track the offenders with the help of Verizon, the victim had several questions as to why she was targeted. At the conference, the victim was allowed to ask questions that were bothering her, as well as tell the offenders how much their actions affected her. The victim spoke of being fearful of being victimized again and a lack of sleep. The conference ended with the offenders apologizing, as well as paying for the phone trap charged to the victim, which assisted our department in locating the offenders. The victim left feeling complete and satisfied.

The Stepping-Up Program

The stepping-up program is the department's latest program, which began in the summer of 2008. Our department was chosen to be the pilot for the program by the Ogle County Juvenile Justice Council. The program's foundation is a proactive approach to reduce a juvenile's opportunity for offending. Juveniles that are chosen for the program are typically first-time offenders who have shown some warning signs or concerns, such as being present at criminal activity or displaying negative behavior at school or in public.

The program has three steps, which a juvenile can be placed into. The first step is for the juvenile to meet with a probation officer and discuss the consequences of being arrested and being placed on probation. The second step is the same as step one, but the juvenile meets with a probation officer three times. The third and final step, which is for a high-risk juvenile, consists of meeting with the probation officer six times. All three steps include several other options, such as seeking social services and counseling, having a tour of focus house, and having curfew conditions. The objective in this program is to create a corrective plan of behavior with the juvenile and their parents.

National Night Out 2008

Our 3rd annual National Night Out again was a big success and continues to grow each year. This year's event once again faced problems with mother nature after a large thunderstorm with high gusts of wind left most of Oregon and the west side of the county without power for up to three days. Power was restored the morning of the event and did not appear to negatively affect attendance. The event's success is based on our officers reaching out to the community in a recreational environment. Throughout the evening, officers of the department operate games, serve food, and hand out prizes. The event operates solely on donations and does not require any funding. After three years of this event, police-community partnerships continue to strengthen. Parents and children often recall the event throughout the year and recall interacting with our officers at the event. This interaction and relationship building with the community is an element of the community policing philosophy at the Oregon Police Department.

5th Grade Basketball Shoot-Around

The department once again held the 5th grade basketball shoot-around at Etnyre School. Each year we invite the 5th grade students to join us after school for fun and games in the gym. We average

around 25 boys and girls at the event. This event, much like National Night Out, reinforces our commitment to community policing and building relationships with the children of our community.

Offense:	<u>Criminal Statistics</u>				2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008
	2005	2006	2007	2008	% Difference	% Difference	% Difference
Aggravated Battery	7	3	8	4	-57%	166%	-50%
Battery	39	36	32	26	-8%	-11%	-19%
Domestic Battery	28	32	27	31	14%	-15%	15%
Battery Total	74	71	67	61	-4%	-6%	-9%
Aggravated Assault	4	2	7	6	-50%	250%	-14%
Assault	0	5	7	2	500%	40%	-71%
Assault Total	4	7	14	8	75%	100%	-43%
Theft Less Than \$300	91	69	78	70	-24%	13%	-10%
Theft More Than \$300	20	14	23	21	-30%	64%	-9%
Retail Theft	12	8	10	7	-33%	25%	-30%
Burglary	10	11	19	6	10%	73%	-68%
Residential Burglary	14	12	4	7	-14%	-66%	75%
Burglary to Motor Vehicle	17	13	14	7	-24%	8%	-50%
Theft/Burglary Total	164	127	148	118	-23%	17%	-20%
Motor Vehicle Theft	4	3	6	0	-25%	100%	-100%
Identity Theft	11	4	6	6	-64%	50%	0%
Deceptive Practice	4	1	4	3	-75%	300%	-25%
Forgeries	4	12	5	8	200%	-58%	60%
Criminal Damage to Property	55	68	70	65	125%	3%	-13%
Criminal Dmg to State Sup Prop	4	9	8	5	24%	-11%	-38%
Criminal Trespass to Land	8	12	14	23	50%	17%	60%
Criminal Trespass to Vehicle	4	5	1	5	25%	-80%	400%
Criminal Trespass to Residence	12	8	12	18	-33%	50%	50%
Crim Damage/Trespass Total	83	102	105	116	29%	3%	10%

Sex Offenses	4	2	2	6	-50%	0%	200%
Unlawful Use of Weapon	2	5	4	3	150%	-20%	-25%
No FOID Card	2	2	2	2	0%	0%	0%
Weapons Total	4	7	6	5	75%	-14%	-17%
Runaway	14	33	20	17	136%	-39%	-15%
Telephone Harassment	41	30	65	59	-27%	116%	-9%
Disorderly Conduct	73	61	52	63	-16%	-15%	21%
Disorderly Conduct Total	114	91	117	122	-20%	29%	4%
Uninsured Motor Vehicle*	284	250	133	98	-12%	-46%	-26%
No Driver's License**	67	65	46	32	-3%	-29%	-30%
Susp/Revoked D.L.	192	198	145	88	3%	27%	-39%
DUI Alcohol/Drugs	42	38	31	50	-10%	-18%	61%

Misc. Offenses:

Offense	Citations Issued		Warnings Issued	
	2007	2008	2007	2008
Speeding	79	80	44	37
Seatbelt Violations	31	4		0
Dogs Running At Large	16	1	17	1
Barking Dogs	3	4	5	7
Snow Removal Tickets	209	129		
Parking Violations (School Zone)	85	42		
Various Parking Violations	149	181		
Accidents	142	143		

2008 Assists ~

Fire Department – 11

Ambulance – 138

Motorist – 48

Ogle County Sheriff – 67

2008 Misc. ~

Fire/Burglar Alarm Response – 32

Hold up Alarm Response – 6

Extra Patrol/Business Checks – 1893

Reports Generated – 2191

Traffic Stops – 1021

Citations Issued – 499

Warnings Issued – 96

Parking Tickets Issued – 352

Ordinance Complaints Issued – 16

Crime Stat Analysis ~

As you can see from the numbers above thefts, burglaries and violent crimes have dropped greatly. Domestic Battery's are up slightly. We also saw an increase in forgeries which may directly reflect the economic times. Lastly, we saw a large increase in DUI arrests. The officers continue to be watchful for violators of this dangerous and often deadly offense.

Overall, Oregon remains a quiet safe place to live and raise a family. Oregon continues to experience a large amount of traffic flow. We are working diligently to keep our roads safe. Most of the 143 reported accidents are fender benders with minimal damage. We only handled a few accidents with personal injuries in 2008.

Be assured that we work arduously to make sure that the criminal element does not gain a foothold in our town. The Oregon Police Department is committed to providing law enforcement services in a fair, respectful and professional manner. We are looking forward to continuing our mission of service in 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Darin J. DeHaan ~ Chief of Police