

OREGON POLICE DEPARTMENT
2007 ANNUAL REPORT



OUR MISSION.....

Protection of life and property

Preservation of the public peace

Enforcement of laws and ordinances

Arrest of law violators and assembling competent evidence of the alleged violation

Promotion of respect and cooperation of all citizens for the law and those sworn to enforce it

Current Staff

Darin DeHaan – Chief of Police 12 Years of Service

Shawn Melville – Lieutenant 10 Years of Service

Randy Cropp – Sergeant 9 Years of Service

Joe Brooks – K-9 Officer 5 Years of Service

Jon Mandrell – Corporal 4 Years of Service

Brad Cash- Patrol Officer 5 Years of Service

Josh Fillers – Patrol Officer 2 Years of Service

Matt Kalnins – Patrol Officer 1 Yr 8m Years of Service

Rich Wilkinson – Patrol Officer 3m Service

Mary Elliott – Administrative Assistant – 11 Years of Service

January 1, 2008

City of Oregon
115 North 3rd Street
Oregon, IL 61061

Dear Mayor Stone and Oregon City Council,

I submit for your assessment the 2007 Annual Report for the Oregon Police Department. The City of Oregon is blessed with a police department with great personnel who are committed to keeping the crime rate in Oregon low and maintaining the high quality of living we have all come to expect in Oregon. As many of you have heard it is becoming increasingly difficult to recruit and maintain quality individuals as police officer. It takes long time to find suitable candidates and the lag time between hiring and realizing their manpower after training is about six months. Therefore, I must acknowledge your continued support of our department. With your assistance, we are constantly provided the resources needed to serve our residents. This is no small thing. I know of many colleagues who are quite impressed with the amount of support that our City administration and residents give our police department. I would like to thank each and every one of you for your support over the last year and maintaining the quality level of pay and benefits needed to continue attracting competent workers for my department. I am filled with pride by the accomplishments of our department and the City of Oregon.

Though certain crimes like theft and burglaries remain very hard to prevent we are working with citizens and educating them how to protect their property that will lead to a decline in these crimes. We continue to implement programs that foster a good working relationship with our citizens. Maintaining an open line of communication with the people that we serve is essential in maintaining low crime rates. We work diligently to elevate the small problems in our community so they do not become an issue at a later date. From removing unsightly inoperable motor vehicles to actively enforcing curfew laws we are diligent with the pulse of our community. We make it a priority to follow up on many cases, which leads to future prevention. I remind my staff frequently that since we are blessed with this low crime rate, we have the time to concentrate on treating the causes of crime and continue to work to keep the rate low. We regularly investigate, generate leads and make arrests on small property crimes that may go unsolved, or worse yet, uninvestigated in other areas.

I am committed to keeping our department and personnel current by improving our technology and technological skills and by providing dedicated service to our City.

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

INDEX CRIMES 2005/2006

Ogle County												
Law Enforcement Employee Information:			Female	Male	TOTAL	2006 Population: 54,290						
Sworn Full-Time			10	82	92	2005 Population: 53,686						
Civilian Full-Time			25	3	28							
Sworn Part-Time			0	23	23							
Auxiliary Officers			0	0	0							
TOTAL*			35	108	143							
* Police Departments, Sheriffs' Offices, Colleges and Universities only.												
Crime Index Offenses/Crime Rate Comparison 2006/2005												
Year	Total Crime Index Offenses	Murder	Criminal Sexual Assault	Robbery	Agrvt. Assault/Battery	Burglary	Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson			
2006	1,016	0	13	7	32	207	718	33	6			
2005	1,112	0	4	9	44	198	810	45	2			
% Chg	-8.6%	N/C	225.0%	-22.2%	-27.3%	4.5%	-11.4%	-26.7%	200.0%			
2006	(1,871.4)	(0.0)	(23.9)	(12.9)	(58.9)	(381.3)	(1,322.5)	(60.8)	(11.1)			
2005	(2,071.3)	(0.0)	(7.5)	(16.8)	(82.0)	(368.8)	(1,508.8)	(83.8)	(3.7)			
% Chg	(-9.7%)	(N/C)	(218.7%)	(-23.2%)	(-28.2%)	(3.4%)	(-12.3%)	(-27.4%)	(200.0%)			
Rate per 100,000 is in parentheses.												
Crime Index Offenses/Arrest Rate Comparison 2006/2005												
Year	Total Crime Index Arrests	Murder	Criminal Sexual Assault	Robbery	Agrvt. Assault/Battery	Burglary	Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson			
2006	200	0	5	3	25	43	118	4	2			
2005	294	0	1	10	36	53	190	4	0			
% Chg	-32.0%	N/C	400.0%	-70.0%	-30.6%	-18.9%	-37.9%	0.0%	N/C			
2006	(368.4)	(0.0)	(9.2)	(5.5)	(46.0)	(79.2)	(217.4)	(7.4)	(3.7)			
2005	(547.6)	(0.0)	(1.9)	(18.6)	(67.1)	(98.7)	(353.9)	(7.5)	(0.0)			
% Chg	(-32.7%)	(N/C)	(384.2%)	(-70.4%)	(-31.4%)	(-19.8%)	(-38.6%)	(-1.3%)	(N/C)			
Rate per 100,000 is in parentheses.												
Supplemental Data												
Drug Crime Arrest Comparison 2006/2005												
Year	Rate per 100,000	Total Drug Arrests	Cannabis Control Act	Controlled Substances Act	Hypodermic Syringes/Needle Act	Drug Paraphernalia Act	Crimes Against School Personnel	Crimes Against Children	Domestic Crimes	Hate Crime		
2006	576.5	313	153	37	2	121	2	60	182	0		
2005	761.8	409	184	37	7	181	3	65	242	0		
% Chg	-24.3%	-23.5%	-16.8%	0.0%	-71.4%	-33.1%	-33.3%	-7.7%	-24.8%	N/C		
UCR Reporting Agencies' Crime Index Offenses												
(Includes Sheriffs' Offices, Police Departments, Colleges and Universities)												
Agency	Year	Population	Rate per 100,000	Total Crime Index	Murder	Criminal Sexual Assault	Robbery	Agrvt. Assault/Battery	Burglary	Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson
OGLE S.O.	2006	31,063	1,165.4	362	0	3	3	9	107	223	14	3
	2005	30,890	1,084.5	335	0	1	3	9	97	204	21	0
	% Chg	0.6%	7.5%	8.1%	N/C	200.0%	0.0%	0.0%	10.3%	9.3%	-33.3%	N/C
BYRON	2006	3,779	2,275.7	86	0	0	0	2	8	72	4	0
	2005	3,459	2,919.9	101	0	0	1	0	12	88	0	0
	% Chg	9.3%	-22.1%	-14.9%	N/C	N/C	-100.0%	N/C	-33.3%	-18.2%	N/C	N/C
MT. MORRIS	2006	3,066	2,250.5	69	0	1	0	3	7	56	1	1
	2005	3,040	1,282.9	39	0	0	0	4	3	29	1	2
	% Chg	0.9%	75.4%	76.9%	N/C	N/C	N/C	-25.0%	133.3%	93.1%	0.0%	-50.0%
OREGON	2006	4,163	3,699.3	154	0	3	1	5	23	116	5	1
	2005	4,157	4,522.5	188	0	2	0	12	26	144	4	0
	% Chg	0.1%	-18.2%	-18.1%	N/C	50.0%	N/C	-58.3%	-11.5%	-19.4%	25.0%	N/C
POLO	2006	2,507	1,236.5	31	0	0	0	0	6	24	0	1
	2005	2,499	1,520.6	38	0	0	0	0	9	29	0	0
	% Chg	0.3%	-18.7%	-18.4%	N/C	N/C	N/C	N/C	-33.3%	-17.2%	N/C	N/C
ROCHELLE	2006	9,712	3,233.1	314	0	6	3	13	56	227	9	0
	2005	9,641	4,263.0	411	0	1	5	19	51	316	19	0
	% Chg	0.7%	-24.2%	-23.6%	N/C	500.0%	-40.0%	-31.6%	9.8%	-28.2%	-52.6%	N/C

(1) One or More Months Missing, (2) Agency in Non-Compliance, (3) Reported Through Other Agency, (4) Partial Year Reporting
MCA = Multi-County Agency, N/C = Not Able to Calculate

New Employees

Rich Wilkinson joined the Oregon Police Department in October of 2007. Rich replaced Officer Mike Padilla who left our department for Oglesby, IL. Rich has over 10 years of experience between Rochelle P.D. and the Ogle County Sheriff's department.

Promotions

In December Shawn Melville was promoted to a Lieutenant's position. Shawn currently handles all felony investigations and assists the Chief of Police with daily department operations.

Department Education

Chief Darin DeHaan was granted membership to the National Scholars Honor Society. He is in the last phase of his Graduate program, writing his thesis. Chief DeHaan expects to graduate from Northwestern University in June of 2008.

Cpl. Jon Mandrell is finishing his graduate program he has three more classes then will begin his master's thesis. Jon expects to graduate from Western Illinois University sometime in 2008.

K-9 officer Joe Brooks has started a Spanish class at Kishwaukee College. This will be a great asset to the Oregon Police Department.

2007 Community Interaction Programs

2nd Annual National Night Out

National Night Out was established to bring a higher awareness of drugs and crime to the community. It is also a time when community members can interact with officers from our department in a relaxed non-confrontational atmosphere. This year the Oregon Police Department hosted NNO at the coliseum. Members of the Oregon Fire Department, Oregon Ambulance, and Conservation Police Department were on hand to interact with the public. There was a slight problem when the town lost power but everyone stuck with it and the fun continued. The coliseum was filled with games and prizes. The Oregon Health Care center set up a bake sale to purchase a new community television for the nursing home. We will be hosting another NNO event this year. The date may change so there is less conflict with youth tackle football, which starts the same night.

5th Grade Basketball Night

For the 2nd year in a row, members of the Oregon Police Department have provided an open gym night to play basketball with the Entyre Middle School 5th grade class. There were over 30 students who attended the shoot around and one teacher even stopped by and shot some hoop with us. This is a great event to interact with the youth of our community.

Autumn on Parade

This year the Oregon Police Department held a fundraiser at Autumn on Parade. The Officer Brooks and Oz joined the Hazard County Stunt team for photos with a General Lee, which had been used in the Dukes of Hazard television show. Mary DeHaan, Heather Welty, Mary Elliott, and Kelly Mandrell also sold snow cones and the profit was placed in the K-9 fund for operational spending.

2007 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 were two violations this year and those businesses have been reprimanded. 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) IMF Grant - \$15091.00 was received for the purchase of two new Mobile Data terminal computers for the squad cars.
- 2) Ogle County 911 – Chief DeHaan petitioned Ogle County 911 board for a new MDT and received funds to purchase one for the new K-9 squad car. \$8000.00 value.
- 3) Chief DeHaan applied for a \$5000.00 grant through State Farm Insurance Company for the purchase of new radar.
– Denied

Major Cases

On 10/04/07 at 2:49 a.m. the Oregon Police Department responded to a fire at the Oregon Smoke Shop 210 South 4th Street. A thorough investigation lead to the arrests of Samer S. Aljabari 21 Oregon, Matthew R. McMeekan 19, Oregon, and Christopher R. Taylor 18, Oregon for Burglary and Arson. In December 2007 the Attorney General's office advised the police department that they were taking the case in Federal Court. The Oregon Police Department assisted A.T.F. agents and all three offenders were taken into custody and turned over to the Federal agents.

March 2007

The Oregon Police Department responded to several burglaries and criminal damage to property cases. An investigation lead to the arrest of one male juvenile and one female juvenile. Over \$250.00 in stolen U.S. currency was recovered and returned to the owners.

January 2007

Oregon Police responded to a burglary to the Elswich Inc. 107 E. Washington in which a large speaker, amps and a dvd system had been stolen. The investigation resulted in the arrest of a 16-year-old male from Oregon. Most of the property was recovered and has been returned to the owner.

On 05/11/07 Oregon Police conducted a search warrant a 120 ½ North 4th Street. Gary G. Sansone over 10 grams of cannabis and 45.6 grams of cocaine was seized and Sansone was arrested for possession of a cannabis and controlled substance.

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.

Lieutenant Shawn Melville and Cpl. Jon Mandrell each attended a weeklong training on evidence recovery and crime scene processing. This puts the department at 4 officers who are trained to process crime scenes.

The City of Oregon participated in the Mock Nuclear accident training for the Byron Nuclear plant. The city received several accolades on their performance at this training.

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. These suits are used for live scenario training for hand to hand combat and control tactics. This will be 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 value to train each officer as effectively as possible.

Criminal Statistics

Offense:	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2003/2004 % Difference	2004/2005 % Difference	2005/2006 % Difference	2006/2007 % Difference
Battery Total	62	60	74	71	67	-3%	23%	-4%	-6%
Aggravated Battery	3	8	7	3	8	166%	-13%	-57%	166%
Battery	35	29	39	36	32	-17%	34%	-8%	-11%
Domestic Battery	24	23	28	32	27	-4%	22%	14%	-15%
Assault Total	5	5	4	7	14	0	-20%	75%	100%
Aggravated Assault	4	4	4	2	7	0	0%	-50%	250%
Assault	1	1	0	5	7	0	-100%	500%	40%
Theft/Burglary Total	128	128	164	127	148	0	28%	-23%	17%
Motor Vehicle Theft	4	3	4	3	6	-25%	33%	-25%	100%
Identity Theft	3	10	11	4	6	233%	10%	-64%	50%
Deceptive Practice	5	2	4	1	4	-60%	100%	-75%	300%
Forgeries	4	6	4	12	5	50%	-33%	200%	-58%
Crim Damage/Trespass Total	88	88	83	102	105	2%	-7%	29%	3%
Criminal Damage to Property	50	54	55	68	70	8%	2%	125%	3%
Criminal Damage to State Sup Prop	5	3	4	9	8	-11%	33%	24%	-11%
Criminal Trespass to Land	9	13	8	12	14	44%	-38%	50%	17%
Criminal Trespass to Vehicle	9	2	4	5	1	-78%	100%	25%	-80%
Criminal Trespass to Residence	15	16	12	8	12	7%	-25%	-33%	50%
Sex Offenses	5	5	4	2	2	0	-20%	-50%	0%
Weapons Total	6	4	4	7	6	-33%	0%	75%	-14%
Unlawful Use of Weapon	4	1	2	5	4	-75%	100%	150%	-20%
No FOID Card	2	3	2	2	2	50%	-33%	0%	0%
Disorderly Conduct Total	82	105	114	91	117	28%	9%	-20%	29%
Runaway	14	7	14	33	20	-50%	100%	136%	-39%
Telephone Harassment	27	34	41	30	65	26%	21%	-27%	116%
Disorderly Conduct	55	71	73	61	52	29%	3%	-16%	-15%
Uninsured Motor Vehicle*	110	139	284	250	133	26%	104%	-12%	-46%
No Driver's License**	24	22	67	65	46	-8%	205%	-3%	-29%
Susp/Revoked D.L.	76	170	192	198	145	124%	13%	3%	27%
DUI Alcohol/Drugs	32	33	42	38	31	3%	27%	-10%	-18%

Misc. Offenses

Offense	Citation's Issued	Warnings Issued
Speeding	79	44
Seatbelt Violations	31	
Dogs Running At Large	16	17
Barking Dogs	3	5
Snow Removal Tickets	209	
Parking Violations (School Zone)	85	
Various Parking Violations	149	
Accidents	142	

Assists ~

Fire Department – 13
Ambulance – 96
Motorist – 31
Ogle County Sheriff – 50

Misc. ~

Fire/Burglar Alarm Response – 29
Hold up Alarm Response – 9
Extra Patrol/Business Checks 2076
Reports Generated – 1872
Traffic Stops – 1021
Citations Issued – 634
Warnings Issued – 122
Parking Tickets Issued – 444
Ordinance Complaints Issued – 23

Crime Stat Analysis ~

As you can see from the numbers above thefts, burglaries and violent crimes have risen slightly. By no means are the numbers of those crimes extreme. A large amount of our **thefts < \$300.00** are bicycle thefts. These are most commonly re-located at a later date. We have tried to encourage everyone to use a bike lock but obviously that is not happening. We had a slight increase in Aggravated Assault and Battery but again this number is not extraordinary.

The biggest crime reported increase that we saw from 2006-2007 is **telephone harassment**. This crime increased by 116%. The biggest reason for this increase is the number of cellular phone users. There is a large increase in domestic related harassment. These complaints often involve an ex-boyfriend/girlfriend or ex-spouse using cellular phones to harass their ex-partner. This is another frustrating criminal activity to attempt to alleviate, as this crime cannot be prevent proactively. We are actively pursuing any criminal complaint for charges that we can in hopes of reducing these numbers.

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 142 reported accidents are fender benders with minimal damage. We only handled a few accidents with personal injuries in 2007.

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 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Darin J. DeHaan ~ Chief of Police