



CITY OF DANBURY
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE
120 MAIN STREET
July 27, 2004

ROBERT L. PAQUETTE, CHIEF
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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Mark D. Boughton
Members of the Common Council

From: Chief Robert L. Paquette

Subject: **Police Department Monthly Report
July 2004**

I submit this report of the activities of the Danbury Police Department for the month of July.

Personnel

Department – 149 sworn personnel. 3 officers remain out on injury leave.

Community Services (See attached)

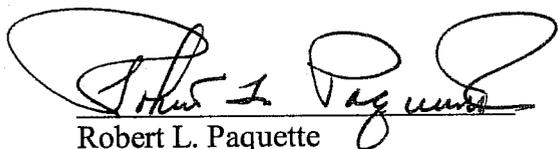
Training

7/5-7/8	FBI National Training Conference – Capt. Sullo
7/12-7/13	Taser M26 & Taser X26 – P.O. Georgoulis
7/12-7/14	Advanced Stakeout & Surveillance Techniques – Det. Bishop
7/14	Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray Instructor Training – P.O. Sturdevant
7/14-7/15	Property Room Management Training – P.O. Gantert
7/15	Terrorism and the Suicide Bomber – P.O. Perun & Leggiadro
7/16-7/31	New England Animal Control – P.O. Charles Farrar

Chief Paquette's Significant Meetings

- 7/6 Common Council Meeting
- 7/12 Finance Office - FOIA
- 7/14 Mayor's Cabinet Meeting – City Hall
- 7/16 Hearing – Mayor's Office – City Hall
- 7/19 Public Hearing – Parking Tickets
- 7/22 Attorney Conference
- 7/27 Elderly Housing Authority Picnic

Respectfully submitted,

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Robert L. Paquette
Chief of Police

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Attach



DANBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

DATE: MONDAY, JULY 19, 2004
TO: ROBERT L. PAQUETTE, CHIEF OF POLICE
CC: DEPUTY CHIEF ROSATO, CAPT. A. SULLO
FROM: LIEUTENANT PETER F. GANTERT
RE: JULY 2004, ACTIVITY REPORT: COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

Chief Paquette,

The following is a brief overview of activities engaged in by officers of the Community Services Division for the time period of June 15, 2004 to July 15, 2004.

Community Services Division: Commanding Officer:

Lieutenant Peter F. Gantert (203.797.4577)

Numerous meetings were attended to coordinate the police departments' response to downtown events and citywide issues and upcoming special events. Additional meetings were attended to address downtown safety and quality of life issues.

Work was performed on all open grants assigned to the Community Services Division with the State of Connecticut's Office of Policy and Management, Department of Justice and Connecticut Department of Transportation.

Numerous events and meetings were organized, participated and planned by members of the Community Services Division during the month to include the following:

- ❑ **Citizens Police Academy-** Currently recruiting and planning the next session of the Citizen Police Academy for the fall of 2004. Anyone interested in attending should contact the community Affairs Office at 797 4644 – seats will be filled quickly.

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- ❑ **DOT - Click it or Ticket Campaign-** Was conducted May 24 – June 6, 2004 - by members of CSD and Patrol Division. As a result of this enforcement campaign the Danbury Police Department took the following enforcement action; **612* seatbelt citations, 16* DUI arrests, 58 speeding citations, and 185 other moving violation citations. (* = Ranked top in state for category)** We were also able to document an increase of 6.5 % in seatbelt use raising Danbury's seatbelt usage from 86.5% to 93%, ranking #1 in seatbelt usage among the ten largest cities in Connecticut. **(CT State Avg 85.5%)**
- ❑ **Child Passenger Safety Fitting Station** – Weekly at CSD Building Monday mornings by appointment. Currently our department has twelve federally certified Child Passenger Safety Seat Technicians, two of which are Federally Certified Instructor. This month **50** car seats were checked/installed. For appointments or additional information concerning our fitting station contact the Child Passenger Safety Team at 743-6314. **YTD 328**
- ❑ **OPM V.A.L.E. Pilot Project Meeting:** Intense Domestic Violence Training is being offered at no cost to the department through OPM and CCADV. It will be taking place in Hartford in the first week of August. It is open to all officer and supervisors within the department.
- ❑ **DOT Drink, Drive, Lose Campaign** – Aug 27 – Sept 12, 2004
- ❑ **Deployment of VMS Trailer-** The VMS (Variable Messaging System) trailer has been deployed on city streets to make the motoring public aware of their illegal operating speed and also provides them with needed safety information. Recently it has been deployed to the following locations East Pearl Street, Farview Ave, Concord, Coalpit Hill, East Lake, Deer Hill, Garfield, West Wooster, Southern Blvd, Mountainville, and Backus Ave.
- ❑ **Tribuna Crime Prevention/Education Articles-** Bi monthly crime prevention/education articles written by members of the Community Affairs office.
- ❑ **Police and You-** Outreach program in partnership with the Tribuna newspaper designed to educate their readers to the American Justice System, introduce them to their local police and explain Connecticut State Laws & Local Ordinances.
- ❑ **Amber Alert Program** – Program run by the Danbury Rotary Club in partnership with the Connecticut State Police. Upcoming events and locations: 8/7/04 Superfood Mart, 9/11/04 Deeps Market, 9/18/04 Red Wood Plaza, 9/26/04 Sharefest/ DHS
- ❑ **Project HomeSafe** – A firearm safety program supported by the Lt Governors Office. We received approximately 1000 gunlocks to distribute free of charge to individuals wishing to secure their firearms. This is our third year involved in this program and we have distributed approximately 700+ gunlocks.
- ❑ **Child Passenger Safety Clinic-** August 7, 2004 at Superfood Mart North Street Danbury, CT.

Community Policing Unit:

Sergeant Rory DeRocco (203.796.1635)

- ❖ **Community Policing Unit: Bicycle patrol: 8 officers:** Officers Timothy Strano, Marcel Kruijs, Trevor Horten, Paul Carroccio, Tom Collins, Steven Cameron, Michelle Brown, Lenny Labonia

Monthly activity: The community policing officers made **(11)** arrests this month, **(4)** for warrants and **(1)** drug related, **(15)** parking tickets were issued, and **(90)** State infractions were also issued, including **(4)** for drinking in public, **(14)** for loitering and **(29)** for simple trespass. In addition the above enforcement activity they handled **(110)** calls for service.

Officers are currently addressing the issues at Kennedy Ave Park. Currently officer are coming in at 07:00 hrs and monitoring and managing this area for criminal and quality of life issues.

Substantial time is also being spent on the Salvation Army illegal dumping issue. Officers have conducted undercover surveillance operations, which have resulted in 22+ apprehensions. They have also coordinated this effort with the NewsTimes to educate the public of this illegal activity and the Danbury Police Department efforts to control the problem.

- ❖ **Graffiti Task-force: 1 officer:** Officer Kenneth Utter (203.796.1662)

The Graffiti Task-force is tasked with the identification of graffiti, graffiti writers as well as the clean up of graffiti on public property. Officer Utter continued his partnership with the court system, coordinating community service ordered work by GA#3. This has resulted in the removal of thousands of dollars worth of damage at no cost to city residents.

Community Affairs Unit:

Sergeant Matthew McNally (203.797.4644)

- ❖ **Community Affairs Unit: 5 Officers:** Ofc. Mortara, Dinardo, O'Brien, Frinton, Hayes

The community Affairs Unit is tasked with the responsibility of all community outreach and safety programs conducted by the Danbury Police Department. In addition to this all our school based prevention initiatives and school resource officers are coordinated out of this unit. Sergeant McNally also coordinates the department's involvement and response to all special events.

Currently Sgt McNally has tasked all our school-based officers with intelligence gathering, planning and developing a standardized police department crisis response plan for each of the 17 public schools with-in the city. This will result in crisis response manuals and information for supervisors and first responders (as well as the Emergency Service Unit) at critical incidents involving our school facilities, covering areas such as natural disaster planning, active shooter scenarios, and possible terrorism incidents (both foreign and domestic).

They are currently researching school plans and working to develop a standardized emergency response plan to be adopted throughout the school system. This will also include assisting with developing training for the active shooter response scenario and for counter terrorism training. Books with procedures, maps, blueprints, photos and video of each school will be developed. Information will be transferred to CD Rom disc for quick reference.

❖ **Child Passenger Safety:** (Officer Mortara @ 203.743.6314)

Child Restraint Systems Checked/Inspected this month: **50**

❖ **Up-coming Special events:** (Sgt McNally @ 203.797.4644)

Date of Event	Name of Event	Contact Person	Phone #
7/17/04	"Try the Tri" Triathlon	Shaun Deane	401-816-0273
8/21/04	"Try the Tri" Triathlon	Shaun Deane	401-816-0273
9/25/04	Sharefest	Noel Mathewson	205-0182
9/26/04	Sharefest	Noel Mathewson	205-0182
10/17/04	Walk Beyond Disability	Kristen Larsen	775-4700
9/11/04	Taste of Danbury	Richard Antous	797-4591
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Special Programs Unit:

Is directly supervised by the Commanding Officer of the Community Services Division and consists mainly of support services for the department. Under this unit are three fulltime units staffed by two sergeants and one officer. In addition to this there are four part-time units staffed on an as needed basis, which consist of the Honor Guard, Chaplains, Recruiting Officer and Mobile Operations Center Team. For monthly activity relating to these units please see below.

❖ **Police Activities League:** Sergeant Robert Guerrero (203.778.4725)

Sgt. Guerrero currently runs PAL operations with the assistance of Ret. Detective Lt. Thomas Mack. The elevator has been installed and the CO has been obtained. Pal is in the process of starting up their annual car raffle. Anyone interested in obtaining a raffle ticket can contact PAL at 778-4725.

❖ **Communications / Fleet Management:** Sergeant Joseph Brunelli, SPO Newkirk (203.797.4673)

Sgt. Brunelli is tasked with the daily duties of managing and supervising the department's school crossing guards and dispatchers. In addition to this he is responsible for overseeing our fleet of vehicles to keep them in operating condition.

School Crossing Guards:

It appears that we will be nine crossing guards short for next year.

Miscellaneous Info:

Stolen Motor vehicles: **27** Stolen License Plates: **29**

Patrol Fleet Status: 35-vehicles 28-sedans 7-4x4

0-25,000 **(14)** 25,001-50,000 **(5)** 50,001-75,000 **(1)** 75,001-100,000 **(12)** 100,000+ **(3)**

Detective Division Fleet Status: 25-vehicles 21-sedans/other 4-4x4

0-25,000 **(7)** 25,001-50,000 **(8)** 50,001-75,000 **(3)** 75,001-100,000 **(4)** 100,000+ **(2)**

* one vehicle unaccounted for

Training/Traffic/Evidence Technicians: 5-vehicles 4-sedans/other 1-4x4

0-25,000 **(0)** 25,001-50,000 **(1)** 50,001-75,000 **(2)** 75,001-100,000 **(0)** 100,000+ **(2)**

Community Services Division: 5-vehicles 3-sedans/other 2-4x4

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Administration/Records/Court/Animal Control: 11-vehicles 9-sedans 2-4x4

0-25,000 **(5)** 25,001-50,000 **(1)** 50,001-75,000 **(3)** 75,001-100,000 **(0)** 100,000+ **(2)**

❖ Information Systems Unit: Officer Stephen Bobel (203.796.1564)

Officer Bobel currently oversees the department integration into mobile data in addition to his normal information and technology duties.

❖ Honor Guard: 3 Sergeants 18 Officers: Sgt. Brian Murphy, Sgt. John Browne, Sgt. Scott Fabich

The Honor Guard participated or planned the following events this month.

Westerners Opening Ceremony Team USA vs. Westerners

Abbott Tech Flag Day

Upcoming:

Korean Memorial

❖ Recruiting Officer: Officer Jay Mortara – Assigned as needed (203.743.6314)

Currently the Danbury Police Department is not involved in active recruiting. We have currently developed a recruiting brochure in cooperation with the city Personnel Department that will be used by this unit at any event.

Upcoming Scheduled Recruiting Events:

None

Recruiting Events Attended this Month:

None

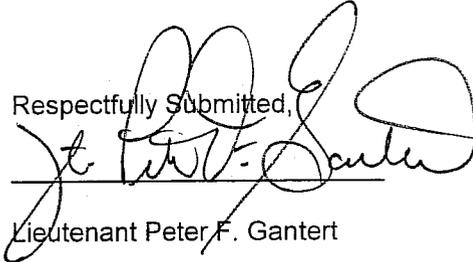
- ❖ **Mobile Operations Center Team:** Lt. Gantert, Sgt. Williams, Lopes, Russo & Officers LeRose, Mortara, Maher, Bobel, Lobraico

Officers are responsible for the operation and supervision of this vehicle during any emergency deployment or scheduled event where this vehicle can be utilized.

Scheduled Deployment:

None

Respectfully Submitted,



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Lieutenant Peter F. Gantert

Community Services Division