

Sandusky Police Department

*Sandusky Police Department
Core Values*

Courage Adaptability

Honor Common Good

Accountability Liberty

Justice Life



2008 Annual Report

A Letter from the Interim Chief

Success through teamwork made 2008 a good year at the Sandusky Police Department and in the City of Sandusky. Bike week was a huge success for the community and the department. Officers worked together with our community to provide security for an ever-growing event, which went off without any significant incidents.

Senator John McCain visited Sandusky making a Presidential campaign speech in the downtown park. Thousands of excited citizens filled our park and streets to attempt to get a glimpse of Senator McCain. With only a couple of days notice, the police department successfully planned out the security along with the United States Secret Service to make this a special event for everyone. This event was a huge success with no major incidents.

The Sandusky Police Department began its first ever Youth Academy in 2008. Seven of our youth graduated from the department's youth academy. These young men and women spent three weeks during the summer learning about the police department. These students received instruction on physical fitness, being a good citizen, and learned about a career in law enforcement. The department goal is to mentor some of these youth and recruit them into the law enforcement field, hopefully becoming a Sandusky Police Officer.

Seven new police officers joined the Sandusky Police Department during 2008. Brad Wilson, Brad Pfanner, Andy Dunn, Chris Denny, Brian Kingsborough, Adam West, and David Youngless. We are very excited to have these new officers on our team.

In 2008 Donald Rumbutis, Mark Volz and Richard Alexander retired from the Sandusky Police Department after serving their community with distinction. Jason Zsebik resigned as a Sandusky Police Officer to accept a position with the Lorain County Sheriff's Office.

Other significant accomplishments in 2008 were putting laptop computers back into our police cruisers. In addition, the establishment of a department K-9 program with Justice joining the department as our new K-9.

As we move forward to 2009, the Sandusky Police Department has set a number of goals that include operating a community police station at 2012 Fox Run Trail Apartment #10, reestablish the departments reserve program, and start gang resistance education and training program in the Sandusky schools. While 2008 was a good year; we look forward to working with our community to make 2009 a great year.

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AVERAGE DAY AT THE SANDUSKY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Citations
13.403

Parking Tickets
4.984

Written Warnings
13.600

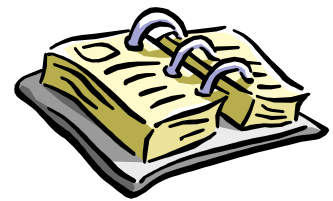
Accidents
1.918

Adult Arrests
13.718

Juvenile Arrests
2.868

Service of Warrants
5.203

Incident Narratives
89.101



WARRANTS

Total Warrants
Processed
2,478

General Information

Department Information

Full Time Officers	53
Part Time/Reserve Officers	10
Full Time Support Staff	10
TOTAL	73
Officers For Every 1000 Citizens	1.9

Grant Money Received

Marine Patrol	\$25,028.00
Bullet Proof Vest Grant (Federal)	\$14,300.67
Bureau of Justice Assistance (Federal)	<u>\$41,682.00</u>
TOTAL	\$81,010.67

Donations From Public

General Donations to Canine Fund	\$1,762.50
General Donations to Police Department	<u>\$815.00</u>
TOTAL	\$2,577.50

CHANGE IN PERSONNEL



Bradley Wilson
Started on 03/20/2008



Bradley Pfanner
Started on 05/15/2008



Andrew Dunn
Started on 05/16/2008

Traffic Enforcement

Traffic Citations and Arrests

	2006	2007	2008
Failure to Stop ACD	125	178	104
Child Safety Seat	14	22	37
Failure to Control	128	114	129
DUI	174	235	209
DUS	570	669	744
Expired Plates	136	195	238
Fictitious Plates	23	18	18
Handicap Parking Violation	7	9	8
Leaving The Scene	58	56	57
No or Expired Drivers License	119	108	128
Other	452	783	835
Reckless Operation	24	49	20
Red Light Violation	99	229	294
Failure to Yield ROW	137	137	177
Seat Belt Violations	246	301	583
Speed	240	495	1034
Stop Sign Violation	46	209	277
TOTAL	2,598	3,807	4,892

	2006	2007	2008
Written Warning Issued	3,812	3,025	4,964
Parking Tickets Issued	2,672	1,815	1,819

Accident Severity Breakdown

	2006	2007	2008
Fatalities	0	0	2
Injury	159	132	123
Property Damage	582	651	575
TOTAL	741	783	700

Dollar value of Property damage in traffic accidents for the year 2008 is estimated at \$ 13,305,000.00.

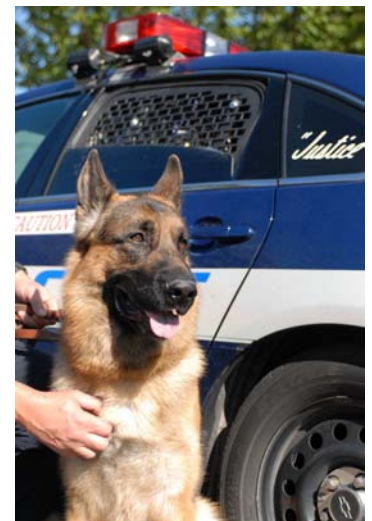
NOTE: It is not possible to make calculations of exact costs, they can be approximated. Calculated costs includes wages lost, medical expenses, and overhead costs of insurance and property damage. Pain, suffering, lost time and inconvenience are not included.

CHANGE IN PERSONNEL

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Christopher Denny
Started on 07/03/2008



Justice
Started on 07/11/2008



Brian Kingsborough
Started on 07/14/2008

Sandusky Police Department

2008 Awards

The Sandusky Police Department recognized one citizen and one local business for their community service to the City of Sandusky. The recipient of the Sandusky Police Department Community Service Award was Najee Louis. Toft's Funeral Home was also recognized for their community service.

A number of Sandusky Police Department employees were recognized for their outstanding service to the community.

John Powell - Officer of the Year
Angela Barnett - Dispatcher of the Year
Other awards include:

Unit Citation: Eric Costante—Richard Cottrill—Scott Dahlgren—Jamie DeSalle—Andrew Dunn—Kenneth Gautschi—Eric Graybill—Brian Kingsborough—Erik Mohr—James Ommert—John Orzech—Kris Parsons—John Powell—Helen Prosowski—Chris Rankins—Stephen Ritterbach—Michael Schock—Ronald Snyder—Jody Showalter—Robert Vanscoy—David West—Gary Wichman—Brad Wilson—K-9 Justice

Exceptional Duty: Eric Costante—Kenneth Gautschi

Good Conduct: Richard Braun—Michael Campbell—Jamie DeSalle—Mark Gilliam—Eric Graybill—Christopher Hofacker—Jon Huffman—Max Jarrett—William McPeck—Erik Mohr—Ken Nixon—James Ommert—John Orzech—Kris Parsons—John Powell—Helen Prosowski—Chris Rankins—Charles Sams—Michael Schock—Ronald Snyder—Kevin Youskievicz

Life Saving Citation: Eric Costante

Ready Commendation: Chris Rankins

Safe Driving: Richard Braun—Michael Campbell—Richard Cottrill—Jamie DeSalle—Phil Frost—Eric Graybill—Dana Newell

Dedication Citation: Phil Frost—John Orzech—Helen Prosowski—Chris Rankins—Charles Sams—Ronald Snyder—Jody Showalter—Gary Wichman

Physical Agility Achievement Citation: Mel Burns—Erik Mohr—John Orzech—Stephen Ritterbach—Gary Wichman—Brian Kingsborough

Northwestern Staff & Command Citation: Michael Campbell

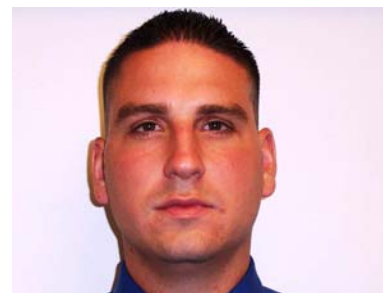
FBI National Academy Graduate Citation: John Orzech

Honorable Service: Jack Austin—Richard Braun—Christopher Hofacker—James Ommert—John Orzech—Kenneth Piotrowski—Chris Rankins—Gary Wichman

Commendations: Mark Gilliam—Robert Gardin—John Powell—Stephen Ritterbach—Kenneth Gautschi—Jody Showalter—Eric Graybill—Jon Huffman—Kris Parsons—Tracey Susana—Jack Austin

CHANGE IN PERSONNEL

CONTINUED



Adam West

Started on 07/31/2008



David Youngless

Started on 10/01/2008

Citizens Police Academy

The Sandusky Police Department conducted its eighth annual Police Academy from September 3rd thru November 5th 2008. This class of twenty seven graduates will be honored at the Sandusky Police Awards Banquet.

The goal of the citizen's academy is to improve the overall working relationship of the citizens and officers and to form a partnership for a safer community. These citizens and officers spent time together and were able to learn from each other. The class was a very positive experience for both the citizens and officers.

The academy ran one night a week for ten consecutive weeks. Classes were each Wednesday for three hours in the evening at the Sandusky Police Department. Citizens were also given an opportunity to ride along with an officer on patrol in addition to the classes held.

Class Topics

Marine Patrol	Traffic Stops	Radar
Special Response Team	Firearms	Arrest Procedures
Criminal Investigation	Self Defense	Verbal Judo
Domestic Violence	Drugs/Alcohol	Search Warrants
Juvenile Procedures	K-9 Unit	Dispatching
Building Searches	Driving Skills	C.V.S.A
Search and Seizure	Fingerprinting	911 System
Crime Scene Investigation		

Sandusky's Citizens Police Academy - 2008

Brandon Alley	Richard Davie	Beth McGookey
James Arthur	Stephanie Dubois	Adam Orman
Dan Bennett	Barbara Gudaitis	Janet Ostheimer
Donna Bly	Robert Heim	Joelean Ostheimer
Kenneth Bly	Timothy Hoff	Jacqueline Powell
Stephanie Branco	Lola James	Stephen Price
Scott Brindley	Marcia Lynn Johnson	Pam Riggs
Diedre Johnson-Cole	Evelyn Kidwell	Kenneth Schenk
Zachary Dahlin	Robert Stacey	Sarah Shippel
Nancy Showalter	Bobby Sue Swanagin	Juanita "Nita" Marquart

Instructors

Acting Chief of Police-Charlie Sams	Officer Jim Ommert
Academy Commander-Lt. Chris Hofacker	Officer Jamie DeSalle
Lieutenant Phil Frost	Officer Jonathan Huffman
Sergeant Ron Snyder	Officer Dana Newell
Detective Sergeant John Orzech	Officer Robert Gardin
Detective Helen Prosowski	Officer Eric Costante
Detective Eric Graybill	Officer "Justice"
Detective Lester Peters	Sandusky Police SRT
IT Specialist Shawn Patton	E.M.A. Bob Hall

CHANGE IN PERSONNEL

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Donald S Rumbutis
Retired on 03/05/2008



Richard Alexander
Retired on 06/11/2008



Mark Volz
Retired on 08/06/2008

Sandusky Police Youth Academy

In 2008 the Sandusky Police Department conducted its first ever Youth Police Academy. The academy ran three weeks with the students meeting very Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from June 10th thru June 26th 2008. The class started out with eleven area high school students, grades 9-12, and had seven graduates. Most of those who did not complete the course only failed to do so because of other high school commitments such as football camp. We commend them for their commitment to their schools and thank them for their interest in the academy. The graduates will be honored at the Sandusky Police Awards Banquet.

The goal of the Sandusky Police Youth Academy is to recruit local young men and women for possible future law enforcement careers with the Sandusky Police Department. After completing the classes, the participants are given the opportunity to continue their relationship with the department by getting involved in an officer/youth mentorship program.

We look forward to this year's addition of the Youth Academy. We learned a lot from our first one and are working at making year two even better.

Class Topics

Physical Agility	Firearms Safety	Special Response Team
Boat Patrol	Self Defense	Use of Force
C.V.S.A.	Tour of Erie County Jail	Traffic Stop Procedures
Radar	Criminal Investigations	Processing Crime Scenes
Drugs and Alcohol	Mentorship Program	Scenarios
Completing Job Applications and Mock Job Interviews		

Graduates of Sandusky's Youth Academy - 2008

Sam Ellison	Steven Scally	A'morreale Porter
Joseph Sliva	Darion Williams	*Nathaniel Wahl
*Taylor Hodgkinson		

*Denotes perfect attendance

Instructors

Acting Chief of Police-Charlie Sams	Detective Sergeant John Orzech
Academy Commander-Lt. Chris Hofacker	Detective Helen Prosowski
High School Resource Officer Dana Newell	Officer Jim Ommert
Lieutenant Max Jarrett	Detective Lester Peters
Lieutenant Phil Frost	Sergeant Ron Snyder
Erie County Jail Capt. Todd Dempsey	Erie County Sheriff Terry Lyons



Criminal Arrest Breakdown

	2006			2007			2008		
	Adult	Juv	Total	Adult	Juv	Total	Adult	Juv	Total
Arson	3	2	5	6	1	7	0	4	4
Assault - Felony	104	12	116	100	31	131	116	28	144
Assault - Misdemeanor	320	42	362	294	57	351	301	40	341
Destruction of Property	91	40	131	123	28	151	120	53	173
Disorderly Conduct	295	134	429	431	133	564	419	115	534
Domestic - Felony	102	1	103	109	2	111	75	3	78
Domestic - Misdemeanor	288	38	326	291	5	296	294	44	338
Domestic - TPO / CPO / SPO	106	0	106	113	0	113	101	0	101
Drugs - Cocaine	352	9	361	291	4	295	151	1	152
Drugs - Heroin	12	0	12	13	0	13	5	0	5
Drugs - Marijuana	398	31	429	336	31	367	286	24	310
Drugs - Other	229	10	239	194	9	203	184	12	196
DUI	174	3	177	218	3	221	203	1	204
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Homicide	5	0	5	7	1	8	2	1	3
Intoxication	510	3	513	662	8	670	663	3	666
Juvenile - Child Endangering	80	0	80	71	0	71	84	2	86
Juvenile - Contributing	3	0	3	5	0	5	10	0	10
Juvenile - Curfew	0	113	113	1	53	54	2	163	165
Juvenile - Custody	2	0	2	5	0	5	6	0	6
Juvenile - Unruly Child	0	269	269	1	282	283	0	203	203
Kidnapping	15	3	18	12	2	14	15	0	15
Liquor	131	2	133	107	2	109	65	1	66
Liquor - Under Age	157	55	212	222	72	294	236	65	301
Menacing - Felony	4	3	7	3	1	4	8	2	10
Menacing - Misdemeanor	140	13	153	127	21	148	137	16	153
Offense Against Justice	535	118	653	589	138	727	525	121	646
Other	203	32	235	325	46	371	316	37	353
Sex Offense - Felony	15	4	19	23	3	26	37	1	38
Sex Offense - Misdemeanor	14	1	15	17	2	19	22	0	22
Theft- Burglary	60	2	62	108	22	130	103	23	126
Theft - Forgery	38	1	39	43	0	43	71	2	73
Theft - Other	234	41	275	268	51	319	296	56	352
Theft - Receiving	74	20	94	29	8	37	39	9	48
Theft - Robbery	16	7	23	28	3	31	20	3	23
Theft - Unauthorized Use	21	8	29	17	1	18	23	3	26
Warrant Service	1,946	215	2,161	1,591	198	1,789	1734	165	1899
Watercraft	8	4	12	19	2	21	10	3	13
Weapons	119	19	138	69	6	75	62	8	70
TOTALS	6,574	1,255	7,829	6,868	1,226	8,094	6,741	1,212	7,953

Sandusky Police Roster

Effective December 31, 2008

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Hire Date</u>
Charles W Sams	Interim Chief	Interim Chief	02/27/1984
Max M Jarrett	Lieutenant	Patrol Commander	03/03/1986
Phillip J Frost	Lieutenant	Administrative Supervisor	06/12/1988
Michael H Campbell	Lieutenant	Patrol Shift Supervisor	11/03/1991
Christopher L Hofacker	Lieutenant	Training Coordinator	03/20/1988
Robert E Vanscoy Jr	Lieutenant	Patrol Shift Supervisor	12/10/1989
William S McPeck	Lieutenant	Patrol Shift Supervisor	02/04/1990
Ronald E Snyder	Sergeant	Patrol	07/30/1989
John T Orzech	Sergeant	Detective Bureau Commander	09/07/1997
Richard K Braun	Sergeant	Patrol	07/02/1989
Richard Cottrill	Sergeant	Patrol	08/14/1992
Jack C Austin	Sergeant	Patrol	06/24/1996
Danny J Lewis	Sergeant	Patrol	07/12/1998
Tracey E Susana	Sergeant	Patrol	10/15/1995
James C Ommert	Officer	School Resource Officer	02/26/1984
Helen A Prosowski	Officer	Detective Bureau	06/02/1985
Matthew S Dunn	Officer	Patrol	06/21/1987
Lonnie R Newell	Officer	Patrol	08/30/1987
Kenneth M Piotrowski	Officer	Patrol	01/18/1989
Mark W Gillam	Officer	Patrol	10/01/1989
Major Ruffin III	Officer	Patrol	11/12/1989
Gary L Wichman	Officer	Detective Bureau	08/27/1990
David E West	Officer	Detective Bureau	04/12/1992
Christopher Rankins	Officer	Patrol	10/03/1993
Jonathon J Huffman	Officer	Patrol	09/17/1994
Kenneth G Nixon	Officer	Detective Bureau	05/31/1995
Dana E Newell	Officer	School Resource Officer	08/13/1995
Kevin B Youskievicz	Officer	Patrol	06/11/1996
Michael E Shock	Officer	Patrol	10/20/1996
Eric G Graybill	Officer	Narcotics Bureau	05/03/1998
Robert D Bess	Officer	Patrol	07/19/1998
Robert Gardin	Officer	Animal Control	09/06/1998
James D Desalle	Officer	K9	09/20/1998
John W Powell	Officer	Patrol	09/21/1998
Kenneth Gautschi Jr	Officer	Patrol	01/03/1999
Erik W Mohr	Officer	Patrol	05/21/2000

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Todd W Smith	Officer	Patrol	05/24/2001
Kristofer Parsons	Officer	Patrol	05/23/2002
Dawn A Allen	Officer	Patrol	08/01/2002
Lester Peters	Officer	Narcotics Bureau	07/17/2006
Eric S Costante	Officer	Patrol	03/08/2007
Scott T Dahlgren	Officer	Patrol	05/31/2007
Stephen P Ritterbach	Officer	Narcotics Bureau	08/02/2007
Jody L Showalter	Officer	Patrol	08/09/2007
Bradley Wilson	Officer	Patrol	03/20/2008
Bradley Pfanner	Officer	Patrol	05/15/2008
Andrew Dunn	Officer	Patrol	05/16/2008
Christopher Denny	Officer	Patrol	07/03/2008
Justice	K9	Patrol	07/11/2008
Brian Kingsborough	Officer	Patrol	07/14/2008
Adam West	Officer	Patrol	07/31/2008
David Youngless	Officer	Patrol	10/01/2008
C Robert Hemmer		Reserve Officer	09/27/1973
Patrick M Johnson		Reserve Officer	02/13/1994
Tony Aaron		Reserve Officer	05/12/1996
Roy Prewitt		Reserve Officer	06/08/1998
Keith A Capizzi		Reserve Officer	12/26/1999
Victor M Grant		Reserve Officer	08/07/2000
Mark H Dahlmann		Reserve Officer	01/16/2003
Sylvan Wahl		Evidence Officer	05/26/1996
Shawn Patton		IT Tech	06/25/2007
Timothy A Meade		Dispatch	08/24/1986
Joseph T Price		Dispatch	10/28/1989
Amy S Theriault		Dispatch	11/02/1997
Felicia L Jones		Dispatch	07/25/1999
Angela Barnett		Dispatch	09/23/2004
Nakia M Stookey		Dispatch	08/09/2007
Tracy Olden		Dispatch	11/29/2007
Karen Alexander		Dispatch	12/04/2008
MaryAnn Kuligowski		Secretary	06/15/2006
David R Merkle		Records	10/19/1975
Wendy S Chamberlain		Records	07/31/1994