
Public Safety SUNY Oswego

Annual Report
1993

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1993 will stand out as a year of many changes for the Department of Public Safety at SUNY Oswego. We initiated a new bicycle patrol, received our first 4-wheel drive patrol vehicle, built a new 88 space parking lot near Wilber Hall, and generally realigned certain position responsibilities within the department to provide more efficient service to the campus community. The year was exciting and portends much more excitement in the coming years as Public Safety becomes an important segment of campus life.

Thanks are definitely in order to Council 82, the officer's union, for their assistance and in some cases tolerance as we attempted to improve working conditions within the department, while providing maximum service to the campus. Vacation scheduling, always an issue in a 24 hour operation, has been changed to create a more equitable schedule for all officers. The officers, both as a union and informally, have given tremendous input toward positive change in how we go about the business of public safety. Once again, the officers have shown that they are truly professionals in their field and outstanding representatives of law enforcement.

Lieutenant Jerrett has settled into the role of Administrative Lieutenant and with the assistance of the other supervisors, has corrected many long standing administrative problems within the department. His assistance in the future will ensure a smooth operation as we modernize our overall operation.

Once again, we point to the excellent cooperation of Student Services and the Office of Residence Life as integral parts of the Public Safety mission at SUNY Oswego. It is really becoming evident that public safety is everyone's responsibility and the cooperation extended to us from these departments contributes to our success.

It is, as always, important to thank Bernie Henderson, Vice President of Business, for his support and guidance during 1993. His leadership provides stability and direction in our continued progress.

PERSONNEL

In January of 1993, we began a new procedure of using civilians to handle the dispatching duties and certain of the parking office clerical duties. This allowed us to have more officers on the street, providing a safer environment for the campus community. We hired Jamie Enwright to work 7am-3pm, Monday through Friday. She has acclimated very well to the task and has proven to be a valuable asset to our Public Safety operations. In August of 1993, Officer Gordon Schipper retired after a long and distinguished career in Public Safety. He immediately returned as a civilian dispatcher working the 3pm - 11pm shift, Monday through Friday. His many years of Public Safety experience have proven invaluable as a Public Safety Dispatcher.

Following Officer Schipper's retirement, we hired Richard Sherwood as a new officer. Officer Sherwood is a lateral transfer from SUNY Morrisville and his experience and training are a valuable asset to our department. As a lateral transfer, we are able to use him immediately on the street without having to send him to the Public Safety Training Academy.

In September of 1993, Lieutenant Larry Jerrett was appointed as the Administrative Lieutenant for the department. Lt. Jerrett's skills at handling the many administrative tasks assigned to him have been crucial in our growth as a Public Safety department. He has been developing many of our policies and procedures as we create a department operating manual. In addition, he is in charge of all departmental training activities as well as the requisite recordkeeping that accompanies that task.

PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAMMING

01/12/93	Evening Student Orientation	Ryan
01/14/93	Resident Assistant Orientation	Jerrett
01/19/93	Non-Trad Orientation	Ryan
01/20/93	Hewitt Union Building Managers	Ryan
01/28/93	Phi Kappa Tau - Date Rape Program	Jerrett
02/01/93	Public Safety Procedures - Cayuga	Velzy
02/03/93	Student Association - Parking	Ryan
02/12/93	Public Justice 301 - Internships	Ryan
02/15/93	Dr. Mena's Graduate Class - Management	Ryan
02/22/93	Alcohol Awareness - Funnelle	Taylor
02/24/93	Date/Acquaintance Rape- Hewitt Union	Ryan
03/01/93	Women in Police - Scales	Byrne
03/18/93	Hall Officers Meeting - Parking	Ryan
04/14/93	Alcohol Awareness - Oneida Hall	Jerrett
04/25/93	Alcohol Awareness - Hart Hall	Adam
06/03/93	Library Safety Program	Ryan
06/17/93	Student Orientation Leaders-Cayuga	Ryan
06/28/93	Transfer Student Orientation	Ryan
July 1993	New Student Orientations	Ryan
07/20/93	Date/Acquaintance Rape - Oneida	Jerrett
08/10/93	Orientation Session - Swetman	Velzy
08/24/93	Hewitt Union Building Managers	Ryan
08/27/93	Non-Trad Orientation	Ryan
09/14/93	Operation ID - Johnson	Velzy
09/20/93	Alcohol Awareness Training	Adam
09/22/93	Date Rape Awareness - Waterbury	Adam
09/23/93	Sexual Assault Training	Ryan
09/27/93	Alcohol Awareness - Phi Kappa Tau	Scott
09/27/93	Date Rape Awareness	Byrne
09/30/93	Stop DWI Programming	Gauthier
09/30/93	Orientation Session - Cayuga	Byrne
10/05/93	WTOP Parking	Ryan
10/11/93	Orientation Programming	Taylor
10/12/93	Stop DWI Programming	Gauthier
10/14/93	Stop DWI Programming	Gauthier
10/18/93	Stop DWI Programming	Gauthier
10/19/93	Stop DWI Programming	Rossi
11/02/93	Funnelle Hall - Parking Issues	Ryan
11/06/93	Mackin Hall - Parking Issues	Ryan
11/07/93	Public Safety Procedures	Ryan
11/16/93	Hart Hall - Parking Issues	Ryan
11/21/93	Oneida Hall - Parking Issues	Ryan
12/07/93	Alpha Kappa Alpha - Personal Safety	Jerrett

SERVICE AND REGULATORY CONTACTS REPORT

	1990	1991	1992	1993
Safety Maintenance:				
Accidental Fire Alarm	114	89	69	107
Small Fire	10	5	5	5
Major Fire	0	0	0	0
Flooding	1	1	0	1
Other	0	3	0	0
Order Maintenance:				
Crowd control-demonstrations	1	1	2	0
Injunctions	0	0	0	1
Crowd control-Sports events, graduation, concert	39	30	26	21
Disputes	23	25	30	21
Noise control-parties	2	0	5	10
Removing person	9	2	1	3
Suspicious Persons	22	15	17	25
Animals	0	2	5	6
Other (alcohol confiscation)	33	16	30	36
Aid and Assistance:				
Accidents-motor vehicle	42	48	39	53
Accidents-athletic	42	88	95	59
Accidents-job related	173	140	145	141
Accidents-classroom	7	4	5	7
Accidents-other*	96	104	79	79
Medical Emergency	19	24	17	31
Other	14	13	19	22
Calls for Assistance:				
Mechanical failure	30	23	26	28
Other	27	43	37	78

Escort Services:

Money runs	244	235	217	188
Protection of visitors	1	0	0	0
Pickup/delivery reports	15	15	9	13
Court appearances	15	20	4	7

Security at Disciplinary Proceedings:

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Miscellaneous:

Locating missing persons	7	9	1	7
Lost/found	314	236	328	249
Miscellaneous	249	196	173	177

TOTAL	1573	1388	1420	1375
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* Personal injury accidents outside of above listed categories

SERVICES RECORDED FROM DAILY SUMMARY REPORT

	1990	1991	1992	1993
Calls for Assistance				
Lock-Out - Buildings	1138	979	1023	815
Lock-Out - Automobile	155	118	149	149
Automobile Assist	279	295	314	408
State Car Releases	169	177	131	147
Security Maintenance				
Gun Registrations	142	220	354	328
Security - unlocked areas				
Residence Halls	384	520	456	429
Academic/Business	547	655	615	682
Art Galleries	106	126	139	146
Information				
Locating members of campus community to relay message	607	713	547	661
Miscellaneous				
Other Services	745	1087	1320	928
V&T Warnings	931	680	648	650
Building Security Checks	12350	13915	13762	14482
Campus Warnings		6949	4738	1239
Vehicles Towed		185	167	194
Total	17553	26619	24363	21258

This service report represents services provided in 1993 which are not recorded on crime or other service reports. Statistics are derived from a daily report filed by each officer at the end of a tour of duty.

CRIMINAL INCIDENTS

Our criminal incident report for 1993 is not significantly different than prior years. We show a slight decrease in reported incidents. However, we show a significant decrease in crimes where we have dedicated many hours of programming in prevention and detection. This statistic is encouraging and indicates the need for increased diligence in informing the campus community about how to protect themselves and their surroundings.

In the area of Sexual Assault, we show a decrease from five reported incidents in 1992 to two reported incidents in 1993. This is an area where we have devoted a tremendous amount of time to Date Rape programming and Sexual Assault Awareness training and hopefully this is indicated by fewer incidents.

As in prior years, we continue to show an alarming increase in reported harassment cases. Many of these cases are bias-related incidents and telephone aggravated harassment complaints. It is our belief that the continued awareness of our community to the right to live without harassing behavior from other people is opening a new consciousness and thus more incidents are being reported to Public Safety.

Incidents of Driving while Intoxicated continued to decrease, hopefully as a result of our Stop-DWI enforcement as well as the alcohol awareness training done throughout the campus.

Criminal mischief incidents on campus increased from 129 to 178 incidents. The lack of respect for others property, as reported in earlier reports, seems to be a growing problem and one that will be addressed through increased preventative patrol in 1994. It is the Department of Public Safety's position that persons involved in damage to others property, including college property, should be dealt with in the criminal courts in the severest manner. Damage to property costs all members of the community.

In the area of larceny, we show a slight decrease in reported incidents, but, the combined amount of property stolen from members of the campus community is significant. Once again, lack of respect for the property of others is apparent here, and will continue to be a major area of attention for the department in 1994.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION REPORT

	1990	1991	1992	1993
Death:				
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Attempted Suicide	2	2	3	5
Sex Crimes:				
Rape	4	2	5	2
Sodomy 2	0	0	0	
Sexual Abuse	1	3	4	0
Public Lewdness	1	1	2	5
Sexual Misconduct				1
Robbery:				
Robbery	0	1	1	0
Burglary:				
Burglary	26	11	22	25
Poss. of Burglar Tools	0	3	0	0
Assault:				
Assault	2	8	3	4
Endangering Conduct:				
Arson	1	3	2	0
Reckless Endangerment	3	2	0	2
Threatening Conduct:				
False Fire Alarm	14	8	8	10
False Bomb Threat	0	10	3	1
Menacing	1	0	2	1
Harassment	112	150	168	191
Coercion	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	4	3
Larceny:				
Grand Larceny	13	17	15	9
Grand Larceny - Auto	1	1	0	1
Petit Larceny	203	189	213	159
Bicycle	2	0	7	15
Poss. of Stolen Property	9	8	16	13
Theft of Services	15	2	8	14
Unauthorized Use of MV	2	2	4	1
Other	1	0	0	0

Fraud:

Slugs	0	0	0	0
Bad Checks	1	4	5	1
Impersonation	1	0	2	0
Forgery 0	4	11	9	
Other	0	3	0	3

Destruction of Property:

Criminal Mischief	170	142	129	178
Tampering	12	4	5	2

Contraband:

Firearms	0	6	2	4
Drugs	9	8	13	15
Knives	0	0	0	0
Other dangerous weapons	4	5	3	7

Unbecoming Conduct:

Obstruction	0	0	0	0
Trespass	14	16	31	16
Disorderly Conduct	16	22	26	25
Resisting Arrest	0	0	0	0
Escape	0	0	0	0
False Report of Crime	3	5	11	8
Loitering	0	0	2	0
Other	8	6	7	6

Miscellaneous:

Miscellaneous	1	0	2	7
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Other Laws:

V&T - DWI	59	46	38	23
Leaving Scene of Accident	19	19	13	17
Other V&T	11	6	12	15
Mental Hygiene	1	2	3	0
Public Health	0	0	0	0
Environmental	0	1	0	1
ABC	7	6	6	3
Other	0	1	1	2

TOTAL	751	728	813	804
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BREAKDOWN OF CRIMINAL ARREST

Persons Arrested:

Students	58
Faculty/Staff	1
Other	31
Total	90

Charges:

Assault	1
Burglary	1
Conspiracy	2
Criminal Mischief	11
Criminal Possession of Marijuana	5
Criminal Possession of Stolen Property	16
Criminal Sale of Marijuana	2
Disorderly Conduct	7
Driving while Intoxicated	24
Falsely Reporting a Crime Incident	2
Forgery	9
Harassment	4
Illegal use of telephone device	4
Issuing a Bad Check	1
Petit Larceny	4
Trespass	4
Unlawful Possession of Alcohol	1
Total*	98

* The total number of arrests will appear higher than the total number of persons arrested due to the fact that some persons arrested were charged with more than one offense.

EQUIPMENT

The major expenditure for 1993 was building a new parking lot (#28) between Wilber and Piez Hall. This lot, which provides 88 new employee/commuter parking spaces has relieved much of the strain of the increased building use in this area. It also provides some badly needed parking spots for the Niagara Mohawk personnel presently using Wilber Hall. This lot was built and paid for completely in 1993 and was funded through our parking account. This is, again, another very proper use of our parking fee, in that the funds are put back into the parking program as major improvements. Many other minor projects were done in the parking lots such as new and better signage.

Our computerization of departmental records continued in 1993. A new 486 computer was purchased for Lt. Jerrett's office. Our software from Wordperfect was upgraded to 6.0 to keep up with the newest trends and capabilities in computer use. A laptop computer was purchased to aid in the parking office as well as to have computer capabilities in a patrol car when necessary.

Our vehicle rotation program continued as we replaced our unmarked car, a 1986 Dodge Aries, by turning car 12, a 1988 Chevy Caprice from a marked car to an unmarked car. Although car 12 has in excess of 100,000 miles, its care and proper maintenance made its conversion to an unmarked vehicle a viable and cost-effective option. Car 12 was replaced by a 1992 Chevy Caprice purchased from state-bid. This continuous rotation system keeps our maintenance costs at a minimum while insuring good equipment for patrol purposes.

In December of 1993, we purchased a 1994 Jeep Cherokee for a marked vehicle. This vehicle replaces the 1990 Ford Crown Victoria with 78,453 miles. The Ford Crown Victoria has not performed well and has cost too much in maintenance costs to be effective. The purchase of a 4-wheel drive marked vehicle will help us patrol during inclement weather. Multi-use utility vehicles are fast becoming the standard patrol vehicles in areas where winter weather can be harsh.

Our newest innovation in 1993 is the formation of a bicycle patrol on campus. Lt. Kirk Coates has been the catalyst for this new patrol method. Thanks to support and contributions from Ernie Turner of Murdock's Sports, we were able to purchase three Trek Police Bicycles and equipment at cost. Five officers have volunteered to serve as part of the bicycle patrol program. We expect to begin a full bicycle patrol in spring of 1994.

Usage in our vehicle fleet for 1993 was:

	Beginning	Ending
Car #6 out of service 12/01/93	61334	78453
Car #7	24053	50533
Car #8	97823	106071
Car #9	29547	46558
Car #10	00000	26778
Car #5	00000	1003

Total miles patrolled in 1993 were: 96639

TRAINING

In 1993, Public Safety officers and dispatchers received a total of 960 hours of training. This included mandated training requirements, as well as training courses in a number of other areas. All of the training should help to update our skills and improve our service to the college community.

The number of training hours received by department members was much less than in past years. This was due in large part to low personnel turnover in 1993. Training one new employee requires at least 590 hours, not including time spent for basic job orientation. New employee training accounted for only 64 training hours this year.

A majority of the training hours this year was the result of semi-annual retraining and requalification of officers in the authorized use of force, as well as improvement in our instructor base in the use of force area. Due to the seriousness of any use of force situation, training in the proper use of force will likely continue to take up a large portion of annual training.

In other areas, nine officers attended training in gay and lesbian awareness, our two civilian dispatchers received training in emergency dispatching procedures, and two members completed basic NYSPIN teletype training. Director Ryan also attended a forty-hour national seminar on sexual assault on campus.

In order to help officers understand and deal with environmental hazards, training was given to officers in how to respond to blood borne pathogen and hazardous materials incidents.

As part of instituting the new bicycle patrol on campus, Lieutenant Coates and Officer Lovelace attended a training course held at Syracuse University in the specific techniques of bicycle patrol. A more extensive course is planned for all bicycle patrol officers in the summer of 1994.

This year, several members received training as police instructors in a variety of areas. Officer Bosco completed the Instructor Development Course, received training as a Police/Mental Health Instructor, and obtained New York State Police certification as a NYSPIN instructor. Officer Velzy completed the New York State Police Firearms Instructor Course, becoming the third such instructor in the department. Lieutenant Jerrett and Officers Payne, Lovelace, and Scott each received instructor training in OC defensive spray (pepper mace). Many of these instructors have already put their learning into service.

In 1993, Department instructors spent 248 hours, not including field training time, instructing members of this, and other, law enforcement departments. These areas included Breathalyzer recertification training done by Lieutenant Jerrett, Penal Law instructed by Lieutenant Taylor at the Basic Academy in Albany, NYSPIN training by Officer Bosco and Lieutenant Jerrett, and requalification training in weapons and use of force by Officers Fitzpatrick, Scott, Velzy, and Lieutenant Jerrett.

In past years, the basic firearms training course taught by our instructors was done primarily for members of this department. This changed some in 1992 as Directors of two other SUNY Public Safety Departments sent officers to our department for this training. In 1993, the department hosted and instructed the first SUNY-wide basic firearms course. Officers from Stony Brook, the University at Buffalo, Utica Rome, Albany, and Cobleskill attended this one week school. It appears likely that this will become an annual course, and that SUNY Oswego will become the center for basic firearms training in the state.

TRAINING RECEIVED BY PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS - 1993

AIDS Training

Richard Sherwood 12/ 3/93

All Officers 6/15/93

Breathalyzer Instructor School

Larry Jerrett 11/18/93

Breathalyzer Operator Retrain

Michael Payne 9/23/93
 Cynthia Adam 9/23/93
 Geri Bosco 9/23/93
 John Rossi 9/23/93
 Kirk Coates 9/23/93
 William Gauthier 10/ 6/93

Dispatcher Training Course

Jamie Enwright 8/24/93
 Gordon Schipper 8/24/93

Firearms Instructor Course

Kevin Velzy 7/ 2/93

Gay/Lesbian Awareness

Thomas Ryan 1/13/93
 John Jackson 1/13/93
 Kevin Velzy 1/12/93
 Stuart DeMar 1/13/93
 Geri Bosco 1/12/93
 Larry Jerrett 1/13/93
 Michael Taylor 1/12/93
 Allen Mulvey 1/13/93
 Kelly Byrne 1/12/93

Impact Device Instructor Retr.

Larry Jerrett 5/25/93
 David Scott 5/25/93

In-service Orientation Program

Instructor Development Course

Geri Bosco 5/14/93

NYSPIN Basic School

Jamie Enwright 3/10/93
 Richard Sherwood 12/ 3/93

NYSPIN Instructor Certification

Geri Bosco 9/ 1/93

Oleoresin Capsicum Instructor Course

Richard Lovelace 4/ 6/93
 Michael Payne 4/ 6/93
 Larry Jerrett 4/23/93
 David Scott 4/23/93

Police Bicycle Patrol Tactics

Richard Lovelace 9/22/93
 Kirk Coates 9/22/93

Police/Mental Health Instructor Program

Geri Bosco 4/29/93

Semi-annual Weapons and Use of Force Retraining

All Officers
 5/17-21/93 and 11/8-12/93

Sexual Assault on Campus Seminar

Thomas Ryan 10/10/93

Radiation Safety Training

Richard Lovelace 6/24/93
 Daniel Fitzpatrick 6/24/93
 Michael Payne 6/24/93
 Thomas Ryan 6/24/93
 Thomas Woodruff 6/24/93
 David VanAntwerp 6/24/93
 John Jackson 6/24/93
 John Rossi 6/24/93
 Larry Jerrett 6/24/93
 David Scott 6/24/93
 Michael Taylor 6/24/93
 Kirk Coates 6/24/93
 Allen Mulvey 6/24/93
 William Gauthier 6/24/93
 Kelly Byrne 6/24/93

Right-to-Know/Infection Control Training

Richard Lovelace 6/17/93
 Patrick Purtell 6/17/93
 Michael Payne 6/17/93
 Thomas Woodruff 6/17/93
 John Jackson 6/17/93
 David VanAntwerp 6/17/93
 Larry Jerrett 6/17/93
 David Scott 6/17/93
 Geri Bosco 6/17/93
 Allen Mulvey 6/17/93
 Daniel Fitzpatrick 6/17/93
 Stuart DeMar 6/17/93
 Kevin Velzy 6/17/93
 William Gauthier 6/17/93
 John Rossi 6/17/93
 Kirk Coates 6/17/93
 Thomas Ryan 6/17/93
 Michael Taylor 6/17/93

VEHICLE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The vehicle registration information is based on an Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30). The parking program is now in it's third year and appears to be progressing very well. Contrary to our original thoughts, the institution of a parking fee has not decreased the amount of vehicles on campus. Each year, there has been a slight increase in the number of registered vehicles. Many improvements have been made in the registration system as well as many minor changes in the lots to reflect the different makeup of our driving population.

Vehicle Registrations	90-91	91-92	92-93
Employee Vehicles	2479	2161	2211
Resident Students	1686	1946	1993
Commuter Students	3631	3897	4183
Service		233	328
Campus Parking Tickets Issued			
Total number of tickets	12298	12795	12325
Total number appealed	834	1028	1214
Appeals			
Found Guilty	212	302	*426
Fine Waived	200	233	188
Not Guilty	238	303	450
Did Not Appear	162	190	150

* This year, we hired a new appeals officer as Jerry Brown decided to retire from the job. Robert LaTulip was hired in July 1993 and as the above numbers indicate, has had a much larger task with excellent results. It is important for our parking program that the constituents have a place to air their grievances and have them heard in a fair and impartial manner.

UNIFORM TRAFFIC TICKET REPORT

A total of 516 state uniform traffic tickets (TSLED) were issued in 1993, one hundred and three more than were issued in 1992. Approximately 39% or 202 of these tickets were for speeding. Violators charged with speeding on campus roadways averaged 38 miles per hour or 18 miles per hour over the posted campus speed limit. This figure is consistent with the figures for 1992 in relation to speed over the limit.

There were 23 arrests for driving while intoxicated in 1993, down 14 from 1992. The average blood-alcohol content of these violators was .13% (the legal limit for DWI is .10% BAC and above). This is a .01% drop from 1992 and .03% drop since 1990. Arrests by the Department of Public Safety for DWI in 1993 brought over \$11,000.00 in revenues for the Oswego County Stop-DWI program. This is one of the most effective uses of fine money in lowering the overall rate of DWI within the county. The Department's participation in this program, along with a strong commitment to enforce DWI laws on campus roads has resulted in reduction of DWI's yearly, and a similar reduction in the BAC of DWI offenders. DWI's have been reduced almost 60% since 1990. For the past three years there have been no alcohol related accidents on campus. The Department of Public Safety is extremely proud of its efforts to make the campus highways safer.

The Department of Public Safety will continue to strictly enforce the vehicle and traffic laws, while at the same time provide educational alcohol awareness programs to constituent groups. The positive results we have witnessed through our proactive enforcement only serve to reinforce our belief that these programs work.

TSLEDS	1990	1991	1992	1993
Number issued	584	484	413	516
Dispositions				
Convictions	372	355	326	350
Acquitted/dismissed	57	126	70	65

