

Milton Police Department

*Monthly Report
To
Mayor & Town Council*



“Pride & Integrity”

June 21 – July 20, 2009

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MILTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRIDE



INTEGRITY

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July 6, 2009

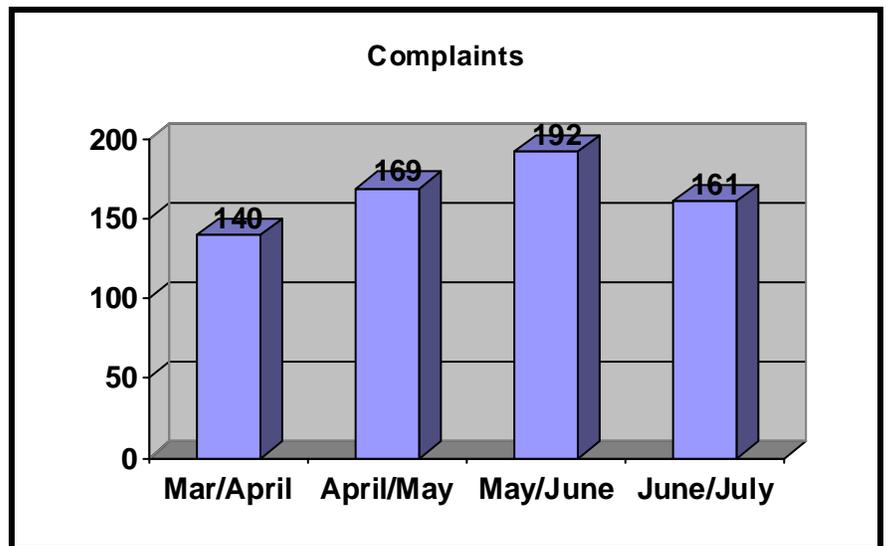
The Honorable Don Post, Mayor
Members of Milton Town Council
Town Hall
Milton, DE 19968

Mayor Post and Council Members:

The following is the report on Police Department activities from June 21 – July 20, 2009.

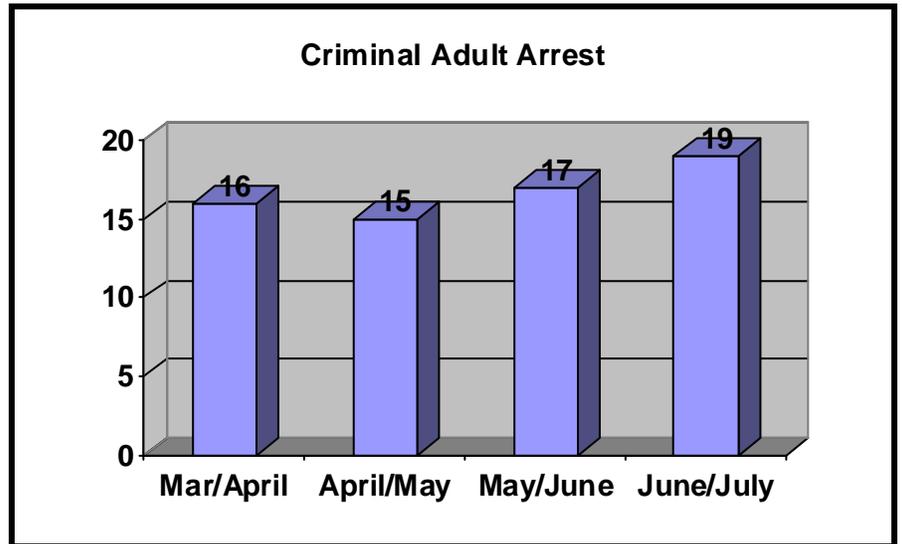
Complaints

Total complaints received
from **June 21 – July 20,**
2009 numbered 161.



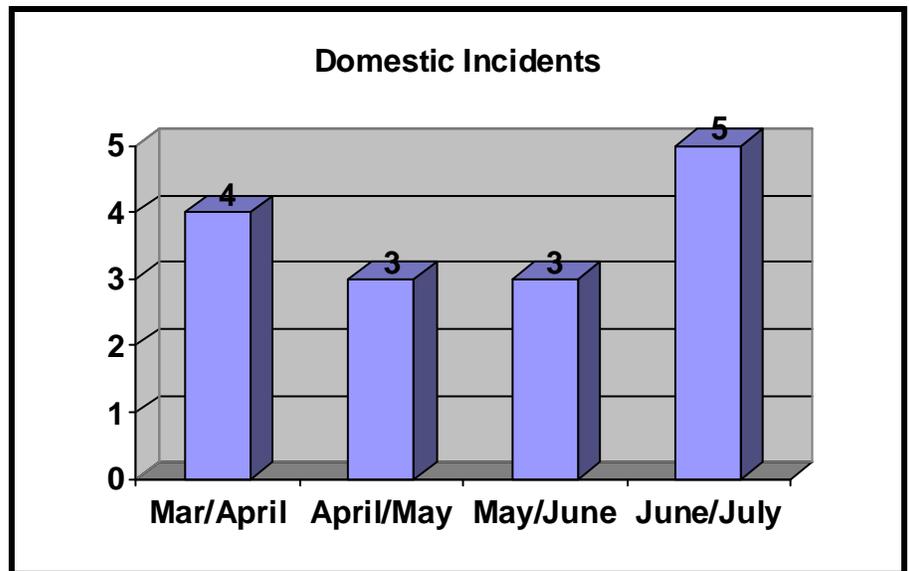
Criminal Arrests

Total criminal arrests from **June 21 – July 20, 2009** numbered 19.



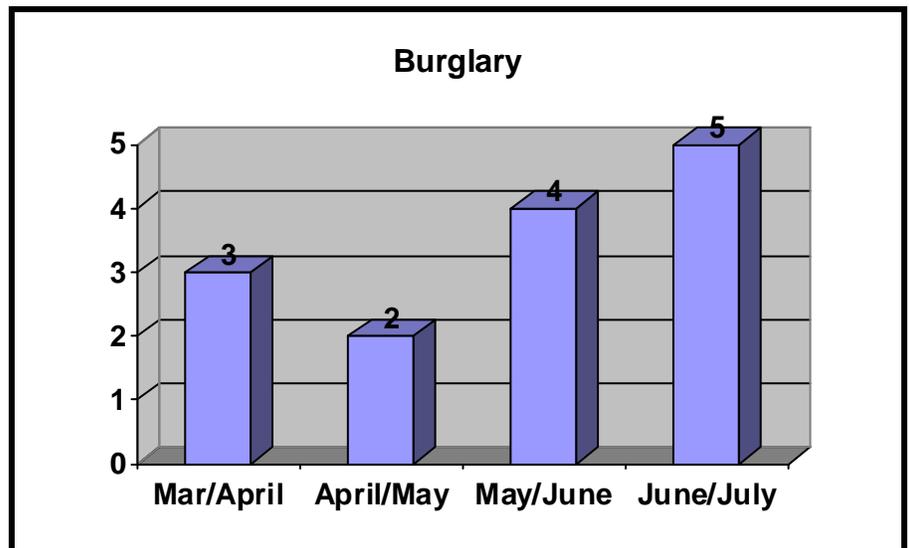
Domestic Incidents

Total domestic incidents from **June 21 – July 20, 2009** numbered 5.



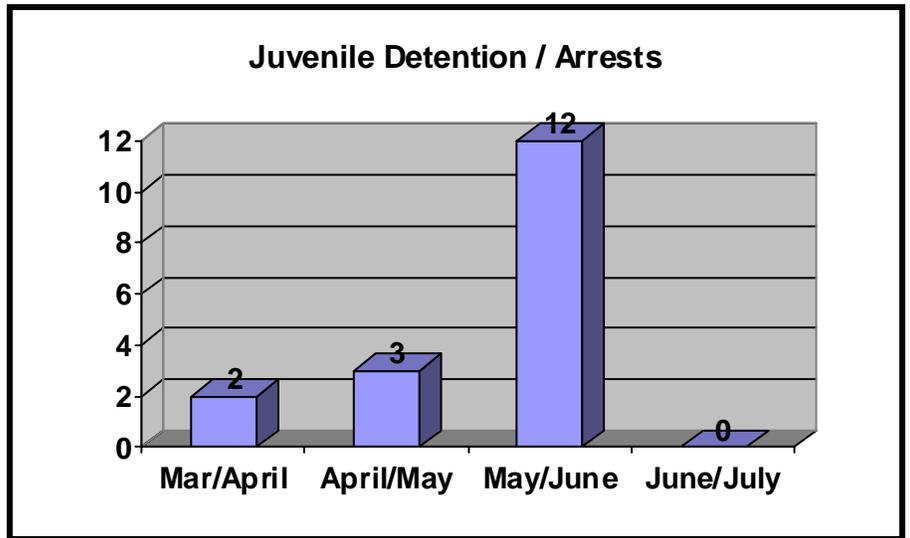
Burglary

Total Burglaries from **June 21 – July 20, 2009** numbered 5.



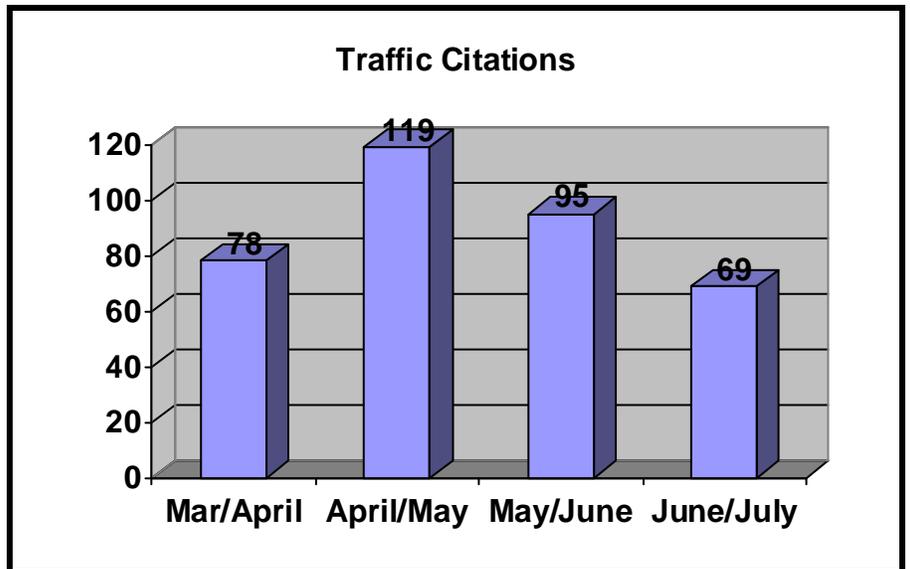
Juvenile Detention / Arrest

Total juvenile detention / criminal arrests from **June 21 – July 20, 2009** numbered 0.



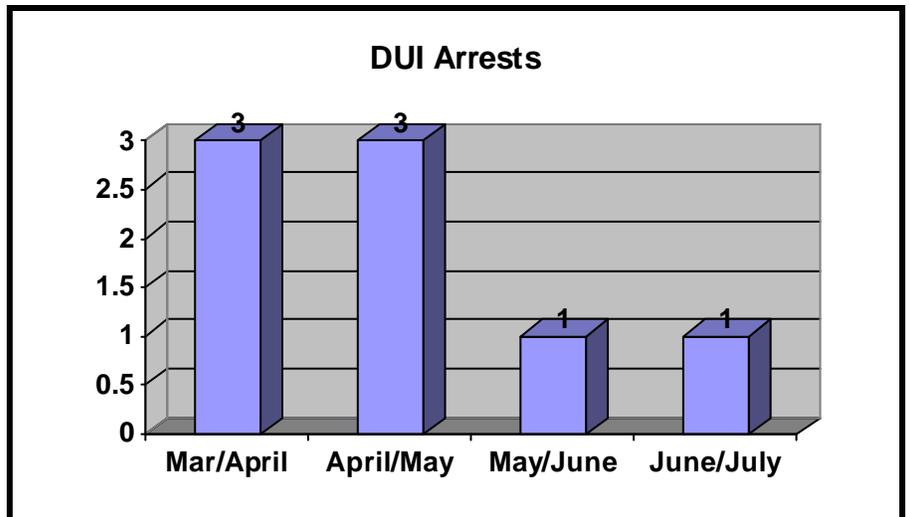
Traffic Citations

The department issued 69 traffic citations from **June 21 – July 20, 2009**.



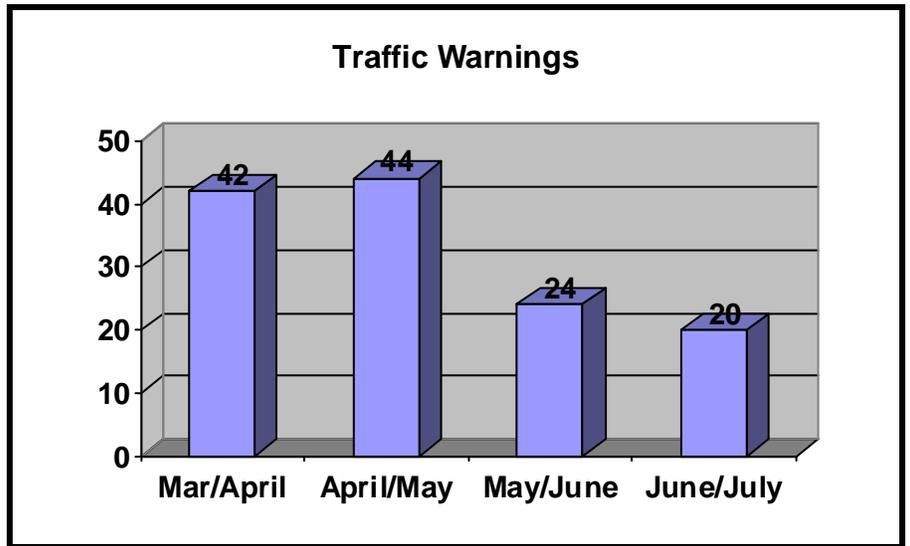
DUI Arrests

The department made 1 DUI arrest(s) from **June 21 – July 20, 2009**.



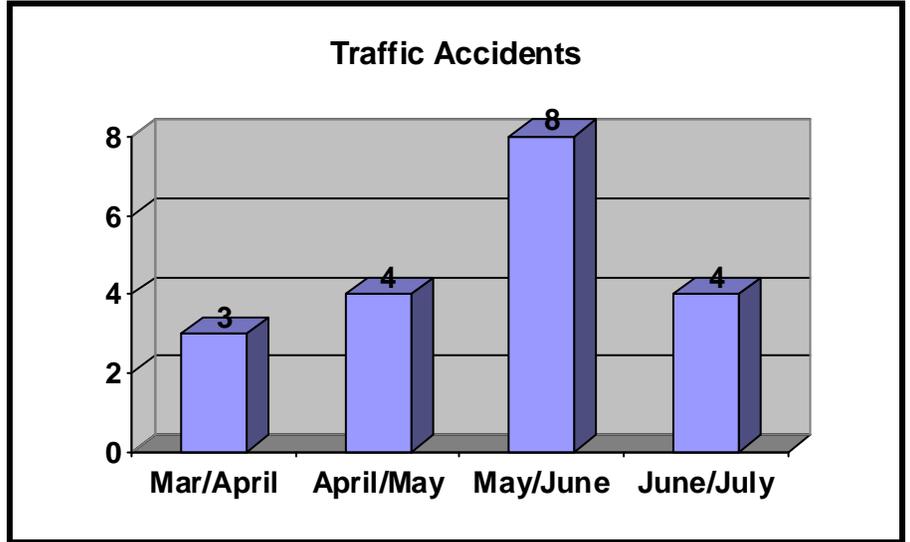
Traffic Warnings

The department issued 20 traffic warnings from **June 21 – July 20, 2009**.



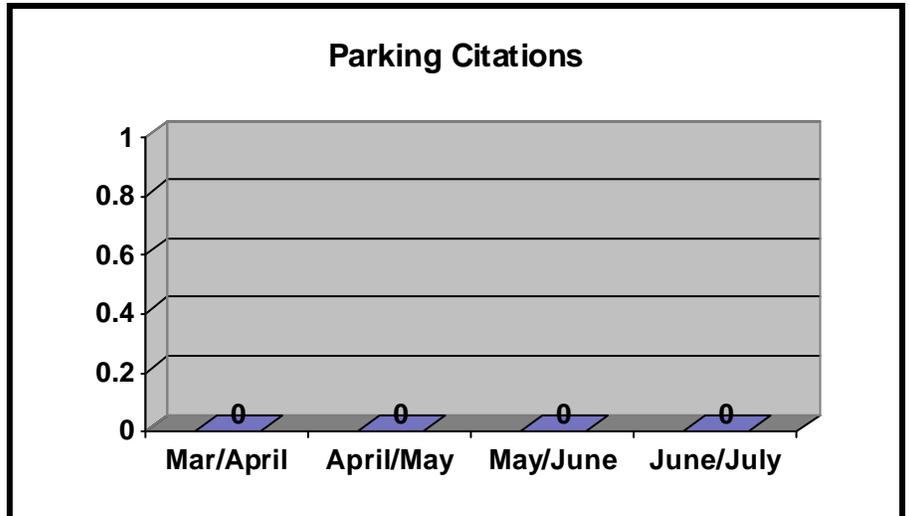
Traffic Accidents

From **June 21 – July 20, 2009** police investigated 4 traffic accidents.



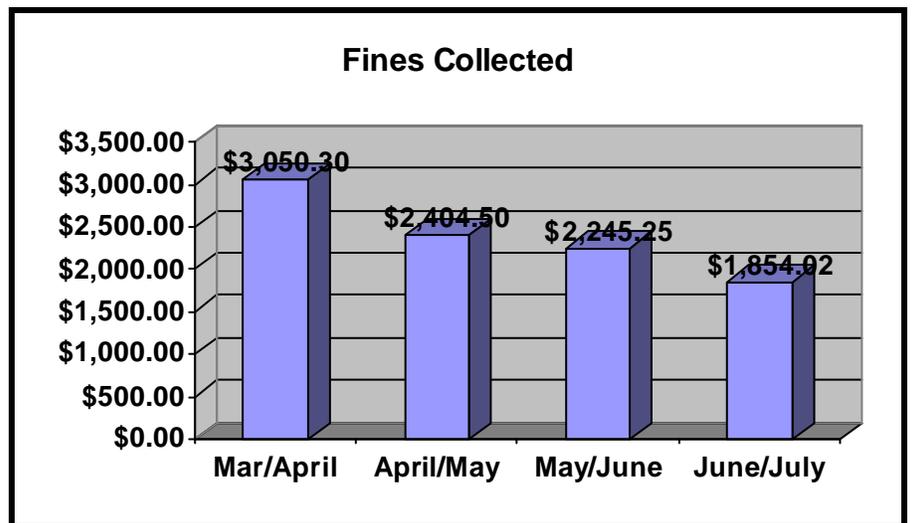
Parking Citations

The department issued 0 parking citations from **June 21 – July 20, 2009**.



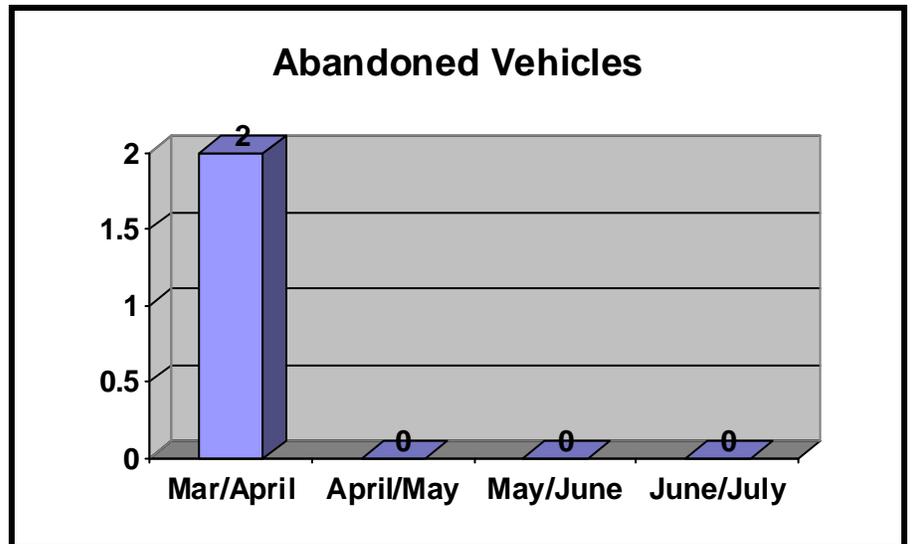
Fines Collected

From **June 21 – July 20, 2009** police have received \$1,854.02 in fines.



Abandoned Vehicles

From **June 21 – July 20, 2009** police have issued 0 abandoned vehicle notices.



The Milton Police Department is striving to better meet the needs of our community and would like to hear from its residents. Please take a moment and send us your questions, concerns, comments and ideas. Milton Police Department, 101 Federal Street, Milton, DE 19968 302-684-8547 or visit our new website www.ci.milton.de.us and click on the link to the police department and send an email. Please check out the Town's website and click on the link to the Police Department and click on the link to view local sex offenders within the state of Delaware.

News Releases

On June 25, 2009, the Milton Police Department arrested David Addor (20) of Milton for Disorderly Conduct.

On June 15, 2009, Milton Police were dispatched to a fight in progress at a residence on Tobin Drive. Police learned Matthew Fitzpatrick and Addor were involved in a fight with each other. Police arrested Fitzpatrick on June 15, 2009 for disorderly conduct and later obtained arrest warrants for Addor.

Addor was arraigned by Judge Sipple from the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and released on unsecured bond pending a later court date.

On June 30, 2009, the Milton Police Department arrested George A. Schroeder (38) of Lincoln for Burglary 3rd Degree, Felony Criminal Mischief, and Theft.

In the early morning hours of June 25, 2009, Milton Police responded to an alarm at the Milton Quick Stop. Milton officers learned forced entry was made into the store and later learned cash and cigarettes were stolen from the store.

Through investigation, Milton Police were able to link Schroeder to the crimes, obtained warrants, and took Schroeder into custody on a traffic stop on June 30, 2009.

Schroeder was video-arraigned at the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and released on \$3,500.00 unsecured bond pending a preliminary hearing.

On July 13, 2009, the Milton Police Department arrested Monica Davis (41) of Milton for Assault 3rd degree.

On July 13, 2009, Milton Police were dispatched to a domestic in progress complaint. Milton Police conducted an investigation and learned Davis allegedly head butted the victim causing injuries to the victim's lip after an argument escalated.

Davis was arraigned at the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to prison in default of \$500.00 cash bond.

On July 14, 2009, the Milton Police Department arrested George A. Schroeder (38) of Lincoln for Burglary 3rd Degree, Felony Criminal Mischief, Felony Theft, and Violation of a no contact order.

On June 30, 2009, Milton Police arrested Schroeder for Burglary 3rd degree, criminal mischief, and theft after investigating a burglary at the Milton Quick Stop that occurred on June 25, 2009. Judge Hudson ordered Schroeder to have no contact with the Milton Quick Stop.

On July 2, 2009, Milton Police responded to an alarm at the Milton Quick Stop. Milton officers learned forced entry was made into the store and later learned cash and cigarettes were stolen from the store.

Through investigation, Milton Police were able to link Schroeder to the crimes and obtained arrest warrants. Milton Police learned Schroeder was at S.C.I. prison. Schroeder was arraigned and remained at S.C.I. pending a preliminary hearing.

On July 14, 2009, the Milton Police Department arrested John P. Dukes 5th (33) of Lewes for Disorderly Conduct, Public Intoxication, and Failure to Comply with Taking of Photos and Fingerprints.

On July 14, 2009, Milton Police were dispatched to a suspicious person complaint on Union Street. Police located Dukes, who fit the description of the suspicious person, walking on Union Street extended and learned through investigation that Dukes was intoxicated. Police arrested Dukes, which Dukes then became disorderly, yelling and cursing in public. Dukes failed to comply with letting police take his fingerprints and photographs.

Dukes was video-arraigned at the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to prison.

On July 21, 2009, Dukes pled guilty to all three charges at the Justice of the Peace Court 2.

On July 19, 2009, the Milton Police Department arrested Jeffrey L. Allen (42) of Milton for Offensive Touching and Disorderly Conduct.

On July 19, 2009, Milton Police were dispatched to the Food Lion shopping center for a report of an intoxicated person. Police made contact with the victim, which police learned Allen poked the victim with his finger and used foul language toward the victim. According to the victim, the victim was not familiar with Allen.

Allen was arraigned at the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to prison.

On July 22, 2009, Allen pled guilty to both charges at the Justice of the Peace Court 3.

Local Fugitive Arrests

June 2009

On June 26, 2009, Milton Police arrested Pamela M. Marciano (39) of Millsboro after learning Marciano had an active capias out the Sussex County Court of Common Pleas.

Milton Police made contact with Marciano at the Milton police station on an unrelated complaint. Milton Police contacted the Sussex County Court of Common Pleas and Marciano was released on unsecured bond.
(75-09-976)

July 2009

On July 13, 2009, Milton Police arrested Ashley L. Stout (22) of Milton after learning Stout had an active capias out of the Sussex County Court of Common Pleas.

A Milton police officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle after observing Stout inside the vehicle and was aware of the capias. Stout was transported to the Sussex County Court of Common Pleas and released on unsecured bond.
(75-09-1068).

On July 18, 2009, Milton Police arrested Ronald J. Ohrt (49) of Pennsylvania after learning Ohrt had an active capias out of the Kent County Court of Common Pleas.

Milton Police came in contact with Ohrt after stopping Ohrt for a traffic violation. Ohrt was arraigned, able to pay the bond, and released.
(75-09-1086).

DUI Arrests

June 2009

N/A

July 2009

On July 5, 2009, Milton Police arrested Jody A. Dickinson (31) of Claymont for DUI.

Milton Police were dispatched to a vehicle crash in the parking lot of Food Lion. Through investigation, Milton Police learned Dickinson was one of the people involved in the crash and suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol. After investigation, Dickinson was arrested for DUI and released to a sober adult.

(75-09-1031)



Office of Highway Safety (OHS)

June 29, 2009

Highway Safety Officials Urge Caution After Four Fatal Crashes Occur in One Weekend

Dover - Last weekend was a deadly one on Delaware roads as four people were killed in four separate motor vehicle crashes, all occurring in New Castle County. The first fatality was the result of a motorcycle crash on Friday afternoon. The remaining three all occurred between 1 and 7 am on Sunday morning. A variety of factors were at work in the crashes according to State Police reports including alcohol, speed and lack of seat belt use. All are still under investigation to determine the final factors involved in the crashes. This brings the number of people killed on Delaware roads since January 1st to 51, compared to 59 at this time last year.

“As we head into the holiday weekend, we cannot stress enough how important it is to be cautious every moment you are behind the wheel,” said Andrea Summers, Community Relations Officer for the Delaware Office of Highway Safety (OHS). “An overwhelming majority of crashes

are due to driver error and that makes them preventable. Please do all you can to prevent one from happening to you.”

This fourth of July weekend officers statewide will be out looking for impaired drivers as OHS launches its primary DUI campaign, *Checkpoint Strikeforce*. Six sobriety checkpoints are scheduled to take place in locations statewide. Additionally, Delaware State Police will be on the lookout for speeding and other aggressive drivers such as those who tailgate, run red lights or make unsafe lane changes.

OHS reminds all drivers to go back to the basics of driving safety: slow down, don't drink and drive and always buckle up. For the holiday weekend, plan extra time to get to any destination so you don't let traffic frustration cause you to make a bad decision behind the wheel. Follow OHS on Twitter for regular updates at www.twitter.com/DEHighwaySafe.

June 30, 2009

OHS Recognizes 10 Year Anniversary of Life Saving GDL Law *Law has contributed to over 50% drop in crash involvement of 16 yr old drivers*

Dover – Ten years ago on July 1st, a new law with the goal of saving young lives on our roadways went into effect. Now a decade later, the Graduated Driver Licensing (GDL) law is likely the single greatest contributing factor responsible for a 59% decline in the number of 16 year old drivers involved in Delaware motor vehicle crashes.

DGL laws give teenagers more behind the wheel practice after they have finished driver education classes, by requiring them to be supervised by a parent or other responsible adult for the first year or longer depending on a state's law. GDL systems set up additional restriction on night time driving, distractions, and the number of passengers allowed in a vehicle with the new teen driver during this time.

In 1998, the year before Delaware's GDL law went into effect, 16-year old drivers alone were involved in 1,001 motor vehicle crashes in our state. 10 years later, 16-year old drivers were involved in 415 motor vehicle crashes, fewer than 50% the number from a decade earlier.

“A great deal of work went into getting this life saving law passed and it is very rewarding to see this kind of result 10 years after its implementation,” said Tricia Roberts, Director of the Office of Highway Safety. “Our goal was to improve the safety of our youngest, most inexperienced drivers and it looks like we have accomplished that.”

In 1998, 16 and 17 year olds made up 2.6% of licensed Delaware drivers and were involved in 6.6% of all crashes. In 2008, while they made up just 2.2% of licensed Delaware drivers their crash involvement had dropped to 3.9% of all crashes. Additionally, 16 year old driver involvement in fatal crashes dropped from 7 in 1998 to 1 in 2008, and involvement in injury crashes dropped from 372 in 1998 to just 95 last year.

Signed into law on May 22nd, 1998, the GDL law went into effect and was implemented on July 1, 1999 to give state safety, education, and DMV officials a chance to set up the new requirements. At that time, the law still allowed teens to obtain a driving permit at 15 years, 10 months, but lengthened the time of supervised driving from 60 days to one year. It also limited the number of passengers a permit holder could carry to two.

Over the years, there have been several revisions to the law. They include banning the use of cell phones by teens on their permit in 2005, increasing the age to obtain a permit to 16, further restricting the number of passengers the permit holder is allowed to carry to 1, requiring a minimum of 50 hours supervised driving time with the sponsor, and adding lack of seat belt use into permit violation in 2006. Finally in 2008, a law setting penalties of \$575.00 or 30 days in jail for sponsors who knowingly allow GDL permit holders to drive unsupervised was passed.

Currently, teens who complete Driver Education may obtain a DGL permit starting at age 16. For the first year of their driving time, they may only carry one non-related passenger in addition to their Supervisor, they may not use cell phones to talk or text and failure to wear a seat belt will result in a 2 month licenses suspension. They must be supervised while driving at all times for the first 6 months, logging a minimum of 50 hours with a supervisor, including 10 hours of night time driving. During the section six months of driving, they may drive unsupervised between 7am and 10pm but outside of those hours may only drive when supervised. Exceptions to unsupervised night time driving exist for work, church and school activities on the permit holder's school grounds only. Any time the permit is suspended must be made up before they will be granted unrestricted driving privileges.

OHS continues its efforts to improve teen driver safety. In 2004 it created the GDL Parent Orientation Program to educate parents of teen drivers about their responsibilities under the law. Additionally, OHS participates in a statewide Teen Driver Task Force lead by DMV. Two recently announced Task Force initiatives are the launch of a teen driver website at www.teendriving.de.dmv.gov and starting on July 1 the availability of bright yellow, reflective Novice Driver car magnets for parents to use when teens are behind the wheel.

OHS will conduct a formal evaluation of the success of its Graduated Drive Licensing law in the coming year. For more information on GDL laws and information you can also visit the OHS website at www.ohs.delaware.gov

July 6, 2009

Newport Police Chief Wins Prestigious Law Enforcement Aware *Is first Chief in tri-state area to win lifetime achievement award*

Newport - Newport Police Chief Michael Capriglione has been elected to receive the 2009 International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) J. Stannard Baker Aware for Highway Safety. This prestigious national lifetime achievement aware is aimed at recognizing outstanding achievement in the realm of highway safety over the length of an officer's career. The Delaware Office of Highway Safety (OHS) nominated Chief Caprglione for the aware based on his exceptional leadership of the New Castle County DUI Task Force which operates under OHS's Checkpoint Strickforce DUI prevention campaign.

"We were excited to nominate Chief Capriglione for this aware and are thrilled that he won." Said Tricia Roberts, Director of the Office of Highway Safety. "Chief Capriglione is an extraordinarily dedicated law enforcement officer who is truly deserving of this recognition. We are incredibly pleased to work so closely with the Chief, who is such a strong advocate for traffic safety and believes in the importance of traffic enforcement as a tool to save lives on our roadways."

“We are absolutely thrilled that Chief Capriglione was honored with this prestigious award,” said Town of Newport Mayor Michael Spencer. “It is a reflection of his tireless effort and dedication to the safety of the citizens of the State of Delaware. His involvement with Checkpoint Strikeforce is an important component in keeping the roadways safe. The Town of Newport is proud to be able to call him “Chief.”

The Chief is an active partner with the Delaware Office of Highway Safety on all of its enforcement campaigns, but is best known for his long-standing commitment to impaired driving enforcement. Throughout the years, in addition to his duties as Chief of Police he has continued to patrol the streets, enforcing all traffic law. He routinely averages more than 100 hours of overtime impaired driving enforcement, conducting roving DUI patrols within his jurisdiction.

In the nomination form OHS noted that when it launched *Checkpoint Strikeforce*, “Chief Capriglione didn’t hesitate for a moment in offering to take the lead of the New Castle County DUI Task Force. He coordinates officer participation in the Task Force from almost every police agency in NcCo along with officers from Delaware’s State Parks, the Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement, and the Delaware Capital Police. He was also the first to recognize the importance of continuing the enforcement during the “off-season” and coordinates checkpoints for special events, like Super Bowl Sunday, St. Patrick’s Day, Cinco de Mayo, and other high-risk holiday periods.

In the early evening hours prior to each checkpoint, Chief Capriglione welcomes all the participating officers to his police department. He motivates the officers by reviewing statistics from the previous checkpoint, highlighting any exceptional efforts, and discussing any concerns. There are many officers who choose to work every checkpoint, and his leadership is the biggest reason. Chief Capriglione often invites State officials, members of the public, and even the media to observe the enforcement efforts.

His leadership has resulted in 2,623 Task Force DUI arrests since 2003. In 2007, he worked closely with former Senator, now Vice-President Joseph Biden to secure additional Federal funding for this campaign, to ensure its longevity. As a result, there is \$250,000 for this campaign in the Federal budget proposal.”

Chief Capriglione, the longest serving police chief in the State of Delaware, is currently also serving his fourth term as the head of the Delaware Police Chief’s Council. He is a two time winner of the Delaware Police Chief of the Year award (most recently in 2007), in 2006 received an award from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (HTSA) for his role in the *Checkpoint Strikeforce* campaign, and has received several awards from MADD Delaware including their Lifetime award for exemplary dedication to the enforcement of Delaware’s impaired driving laws.

Chief Capriglione will receive his award on October 6th at the IACP’s 116th Annual Conference in Denver, Colorado.

Below are quotes from fellow law enforcement officers that OHS included in the nomination form.

From Sgt. Dominic Giofre, Newport Police Department

“After working for Mike Capriglione, I never want to work for another boss in my lifetime. He expects me to do my job and do it well. But, he also expects me to have a personal life and he understands the “real world” implications of being a husband and father, while balancing a career in law enforcement. And I’m proud to work for him knowing he is one of the leading advocates in this State for harsher penalties for DUI offenses.”

“He will fight tirelessly for is officers’ rights, whether with the town council, the prosecutors’ office, or anyone else. This Department is part of his family and he’s a father figure to most of us.”

From S/Sgt. Joseph Fitzgerald, New Castle County Police Department

“I am currently beginning my third year with the checkpoints. I have known the Chief for over 20 years. I began my career in 1987 and have always known him to be a working Chief, handling complaints and working side by side with other officers no matter what color the uniform. He is never at a loss for words and in fact, loves to tell stories from his long career in law enforcement. His devotion to law enforcement and the citizens of this State should be rewarded with this nomination.”

From Chief Kevin McDerby, New Castle City Police Department

“I have personally known Mike Capriglione for over 20 years. He is a hard working Police Chief who is dedicated to highway safety. In addition to his time consuming role as a chief, he is the officer-in-charge of nationally recognized DUI Taskforce. Mike does more than enforce the law; he devotes many hours teaching defensive driving. You can never calculate how many lives he has saved or how many injuries he has prevented, but I am sure they are numerous. There is not a person more worthy of commendation that Chief Michael Capriglione.”

July 13, 2009

Governor Markell Signs Bills Increasing penalties for Impaired Drivers

Newark – Surrounded by law enforcement and safety advocates, today Governor Jack A. Markell signed two pieces of legislation into law creating tougher penalties for those convicted of Driving Under the Influence (DUI) of alcohol. The first, House Bill 152, sponsored by Representative Bryon Short and Senator Brian Bushweller increases fines for all DUI offenders and in particular fifth and subsequent offenders. In 2008, state and local law enforcement officers made approximately 6,916 arrests. Of those, 5,057 drivers were first-time offenders and 59 drivers had been previously arrested for DUI five or more times.

“The new laws will make Delaware safer by keeping more drunk drivers off our roads,” said Delaware Governor Jack A. Markell. “The stiff penalties we are imposing on these dangerous individuals should make motorists think twice before getting behind the wheel after drinking alcohol. We are sending a clear message today that Delaware will not tolerate drunk driving.”

The law also increases the possibility of jail time for 5th and subsequent DUI offenders as well as creates separate felony classes for 6th and 7th DUI offenders. Already since January 1st of this year, an additional 3,213 drivers have been arrested for DUI and 40 of those have been arrested five or more times.

“In the last few months, we have seen a number of drivers charged with their fifth and sixth DUI’s in Delaware, which tells us these people who are not getting the message,” said Rep. Short, Lead sponsor of HB 152. “We will continue to develop measures like this aimed at stopping this dangerous behavior.”

“The statistics show that while we’ve made much progress, we still have a long way to go,” said Senator Bushweller. “It is a shame we have to enact laws to prevent this kind of behavior,

however until more people realize that driving under the influence is just not acceptable we will what we must to protect innocent citizens from harm on our roadways.”

The second bill signed by Governor Markell, Senate Bill 177, was sponsored by Senate President Pro Tempore Anthony DeLuca and Representative Pete Schwartzkopf. It strengthens penalties for first time DUI offenders with a BAC of .15 or higher by increasing the period of hard revocation for these individuals, who are mandated to have an Ignition Interlock Device (IID) installed in their vehicle, from 30 to 45 days. It also increases their period license revocation from these to six months for those individuals. Furthermore, it limits the driving authority of IID licensed drivers to work, home, school, alcohol treatment programs and interlock service provider appointments.

“We’re looking to make the roads safer for Delawareans. This is one way to do that, that we think will be effective,” said Senator DeLuca.

“This interlock requirement targets people who have a high BAC the first time they are caught drinking driving, which is important because these are people who are very likely to drink and drive again,” said Rep. Schwartzkopf.

“MADD applauds the efforts of the legislature and Governor Markell in improving the alcohol ignition interlock law in Delaware,” MADD Delaware Program Specialist Nancy Raynor said. A strong alcohol ignition interlock program will prevent the suspended offender from driving and with the action taken today by Governor Markell, Delaware is an important step closer to seeing a steady decline in drunk driving deaths, injuries and arrests.”

Impaired driving continues to be a significant problem on Delaware roadways. In 2008, 52 (or 43%) of the 122 traffic deaths on Delaware roads were alcohol-related. Since January 1st of this year, the deaths of 12 people or 21% of the 57 individuals killed on Delaware roads involved an impaired driver.

“Although we deal with statistics on a daily basis, it is critical to never forget that each one of these numbers represents a person, their families and a life lost. Today’s legislation goes a long way to saving lives and preventing families from having to deal with the worst tragedies imaginable,” said Safety and Homeland Security Secretary Lewis Schiliro.

The Office of Highway Safety, a Division of the Department of Safety and Homeland Security launched its 2009 *Checkpoint Strikeforce* DUI prevention campaign over the July 4th weekend. Over the last two weeks as part of this initiative, officers statewide have arrested 36 individuals for DUI, as well as two others for underage drinking offenses. Four sobriety checkpoints and additional DUI patrols are again scheduled to take place throughout Delaware this weekend.

July 17, 2009

Lt. Governor Matt Denn Makes Sure His Children Are Not Riding At Risk

Has his twin sons’ child safety seats check at OHS fitting station

Wilmington - Like most parents, Delaware Lt. Governor Matt Denn wants to do all he can to protect his children. That’s why he decided to have his twin sons’ child safety seats inspected by Office of Highway Safety Fitting Station Coordinator Larry Kelley on Thursday at the Wilmington DMV.

Fitting Stations are permanent locations where parents, grand parents, child care professionals or anyone else who routinely transport children can have the seats checked for correct installation. Nationally, four out of every five child safety seats are not properly installed and in Delaware, approximately 70% of car seats checked by certified technicians show some type of misuse – or improper installation. OHS operates four Fitting Station in Delaware: one at the Wilmington, Dover, and Georgetown DMV's and also one at the Lewes Auto Mall.

At the Fitting Stations which are open year round, a certified child passenger safety technician will inspect the seat for any installation errors, check for recalls, and then work one on one with the parents to re-install the seat. In 2008, OHS Fitting Station Coordinators checked over 23-hundred child safety seats.

Larry Kelley, who operates the Fitting Station at the Wilmington DMV, has personally checked approximately 5,000 car seats since he started with OHS in 2003. The Lt. Governor first visited Larry at the OHS Fitting Station when his boys were younger and he was Delaware's Insurance Commissioner. Now that they're older and he's moving them into different car seats which will accommodate their needs as they grow, he wanted to make sure the seats were installed correctly. Lt. Governor Denn received hands on instruction Thursday on how to properly re-install the boy's car seats.

Child Safety seat inspections at the OHS Fitting Stations are free. While appointments are recommended, walk ins are still welcome. To make an appointment at an OHS Fitting Station near you call 302-434-3234 in Wilmington, 302-744-2749 in Dover and 302-853-1014 in Sussex. You can also visit the Office of Highway Safety website at www.ohs.delaware.gov and click on the Car Seat Fitting stations link on the left side of the page for more information on days and hours of operation as well as learning more about Delaware's passenger safety laws.



STOP SPEED/AGGRESSIVE DRIVING

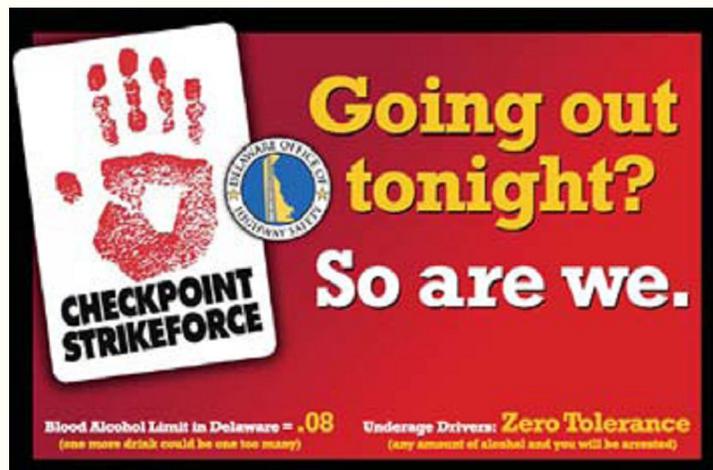
OHS is launching its 2009 speed focused “**Stop Aggressive Driving**” Campaign in July. This is the second year in a row that the campaign will be focused on speed enforcement. During the first six months of 2009 approximately one-third of all fatal crashes involved speed, surpassing even alcohol as the leading contributing factor.

Our message: Stop Speeding Before it Stops You! - OHS is putting additional officers on the road in all three counties to crack down on speeding drivers. Enforcement will be conducted statewide by the Delaware State Police, as well as New Castle County Police and Dover Police in Kent County. Officers will conduct patrols looking primarily for those who speed but also for other dangerous vehicle operators like those who run red lights or drink and drive.

Enforcement will take place on roadways where crash data reveals an above average number of speed crashes, which in most cases are on secondary and rural roadways. Enforcement will occur in locations such as I - 95 and 295, portions of Rt. 1 statewide, portions of Rt. 13 statewide, and multiple rural roadways throughout the state.

To complement the enforcement initiative, a multi-faceted media campaign focusing on how much speeding can cost you will be implemented. In addition to the potential for loss of life, **speeding will cost you money from citations, higher insurance costs from points on your license, and more money for gas.**

Motorists are encouraged to report aggressive drivers: You can make a difference. Call 911 to report aggressive drivers. Please provide as much information to dispatchers as possible, while keeping personal safety in mind. Callers should try to provide a description of the vehicle (color, SUV vs. sedan, make or model if possible), the direction of travel, and if they can safely read it...the license plate. The safest thing to do is to pull over to make the call on your cell phone if possible, or have another caller do it for you. If it's not possible then dial cautiously to report the aggressive driver. Dispatchers will broadcast a Be On the Lookout message to officers in that area who will attempt to make contact with the aggressive driver. Please do not contact the Office of Highway Safety to provide this information!



2009 Delaware DUI Fact Sheet

- In 2008, 52 of 122 traffic deaths (43%) were alcohol-related.
- Nearly 7,000 people were arrested for DUI in Delaware in 2008.

- Most alcohol-related fatal crashes in Delaware occur between 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. Friday through Sunday.

- In Delaware, the average DUI offender is a white male, between the ages of 29 – 34. Males 21-34 are most likely to be involved in a DUI crash.
- 31% of alcohol-related deaths in 2008 occurred in NcCo, 32% in Kent, and 37% in Sussex.
- Nationally in 2007, approximately 13,000 people (32% of all killed in collisions) died in alcohol-related crashes.
- First time offenders account for 70% of all Delaware’s DUI arrests

Penalties:

- 1st offense – revoked license between 3 months and 1 year, \$230-1150 in fines, up to 6 months in jail
- 8 weeks of mandatory DUI treatment classes with drug testing (\$300 - \$700)
- Ignition Interlock device if applicable – a minimum of \$480
- Increased insurance rates
- A criminal record
- Attorney’s fees (average \$2,000) plus time off work for court appearances

**** Running Totals for July 3rd through 12/31/2009.**

*** Weekly Totals for Weekend of July 17th/18th.**

Checkpoint Activity	* Weekly Totals	** Running Totals	2008 Totals
# of checkpoints conducted	4	17	103
DUI Arrests	26	85	559
Child Restraint Arrests	2	13	67
Other Traffic Arrests	58	243	1,987
Wanted Person Apprehensions	6	20	169
Stolen Vehicles Recovered	0	1	9
Drug Arrests	8	25	218
Seat Belt Arrests	7	43	249
Underage Arrests	1	7	93
Felony Arrests	9	26	168

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