

Milton Police Department

*Monthly Report
To
Mayor & Town Council*



“Pride & Integrity”

March 21, – April 20, 2008

Respectfully Submitted By:

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MILTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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INTEGRITY

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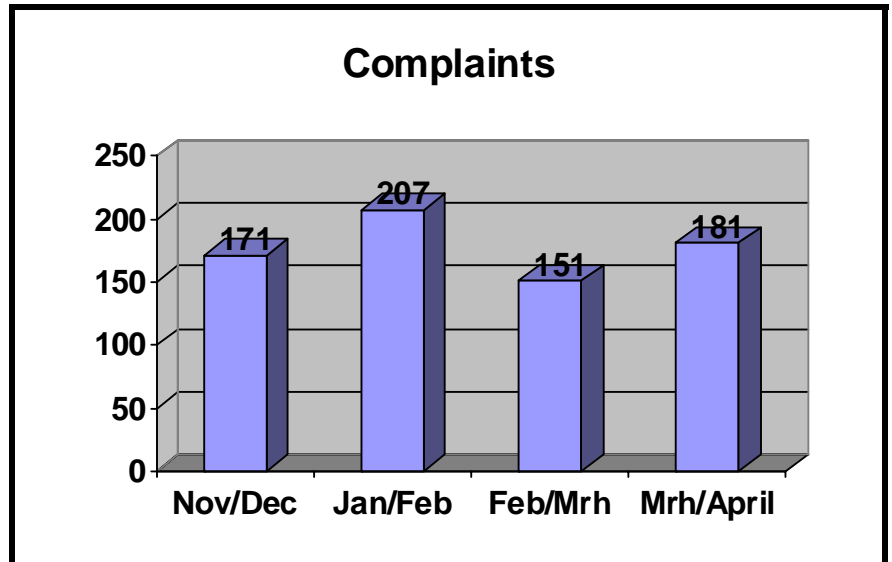
The Honorable Don Post, Mayor
Members of Milton Town Council
Town Hall
Milton, DE 19968

Mayor Post and Council Members:

The following is the report on police department activities from March 21 – April 20, 2008.

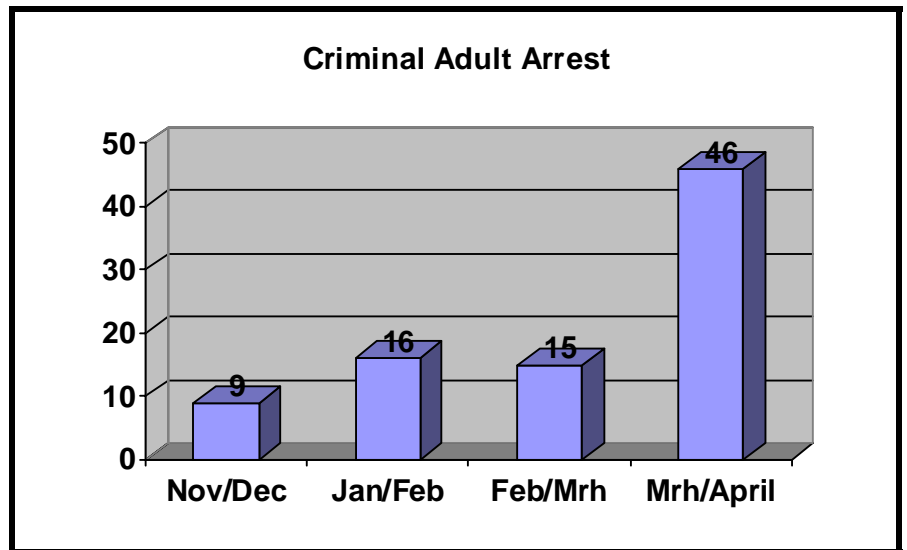
Complaints

Total complaints received
from **March 21 – April 20,**
2008 numbered 181.



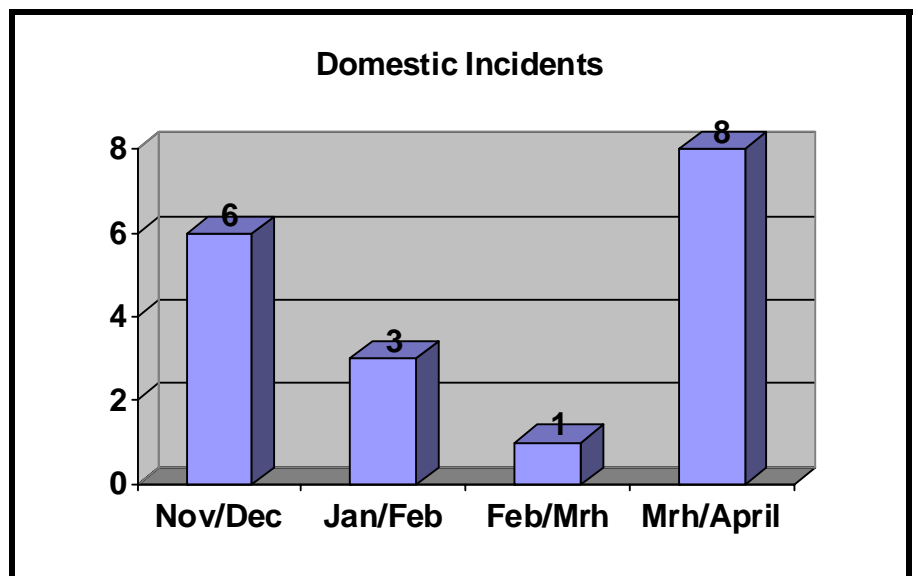
Criminal Arrests

Total criminal arrests from **March 21 – April 20, 2008** numbered 46.



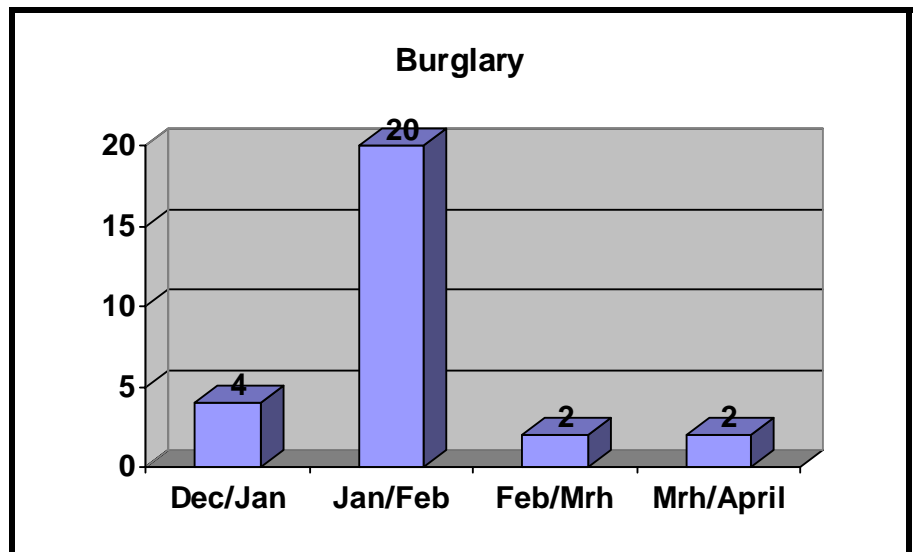
Domestic Incidents

Total domestic incidents from **March 21 – April 20, 2008** numbered 8.



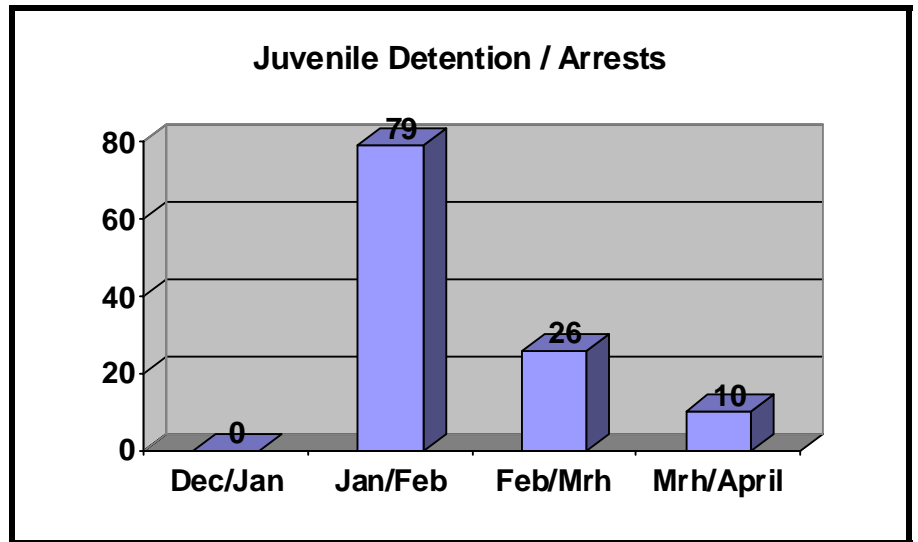
Burglary

Total Burglaries from **March 21 – April 20, 2008** numbered 2.



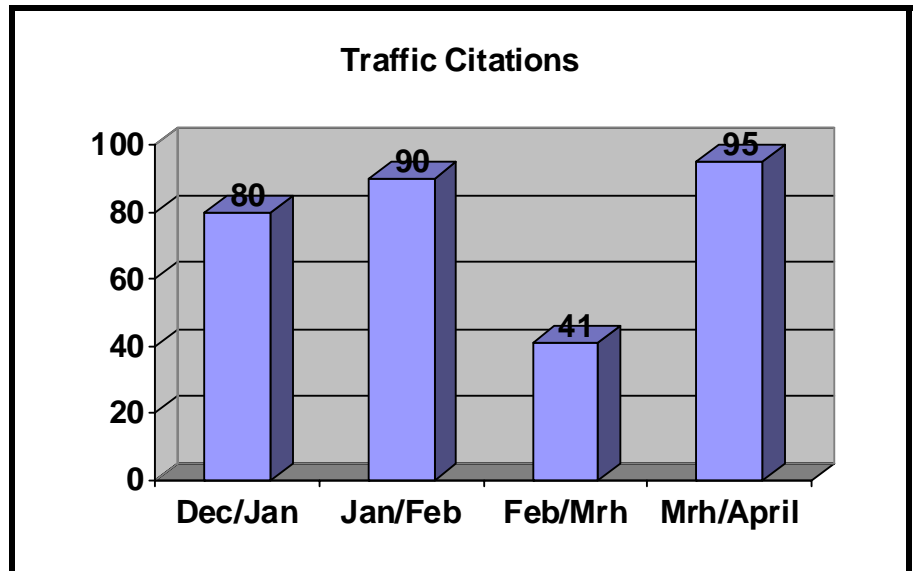
Juvenile Detention / Arrests

Total juvenile detention / criminal arrests from **March 21 – April 20, 2008** numbered 10.



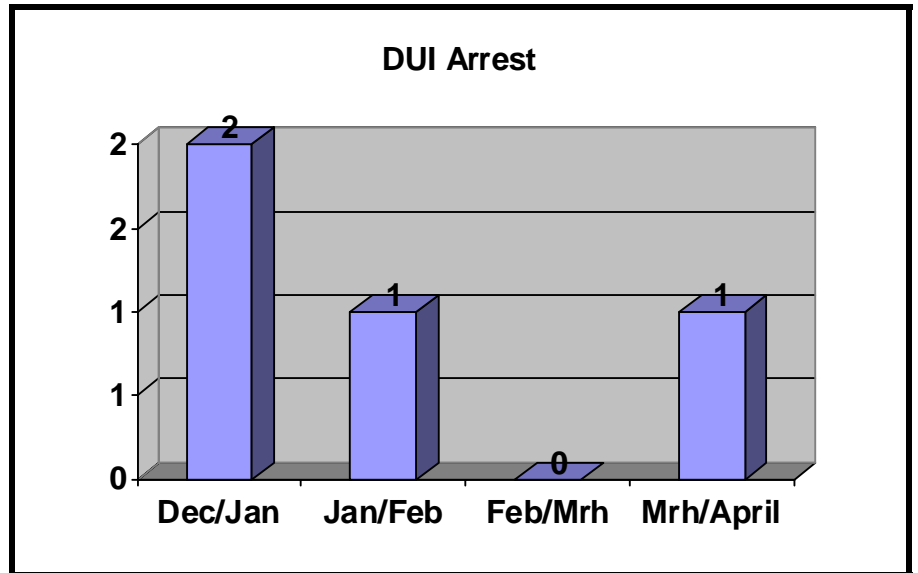
Traffic Citations

The department issued 95 traffic citations from **March 21 – April 20, 2008** numbered 95.



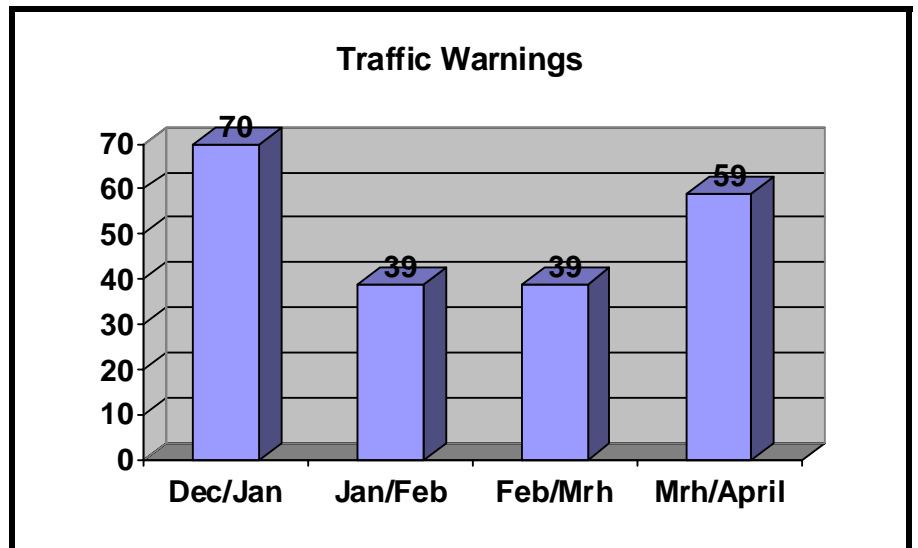
DUI Arrests

The department made 1 DUI arrests from **March 21 – April 20, 2008** numbered 1



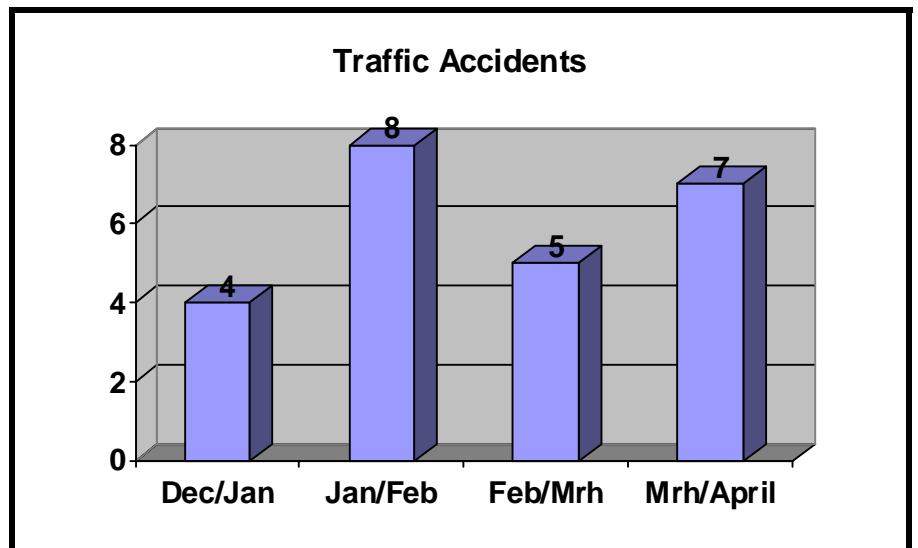
Traffic Warnings

The department issued 59 traffic warnings from **March 21 – April 20, 2008** number 59.



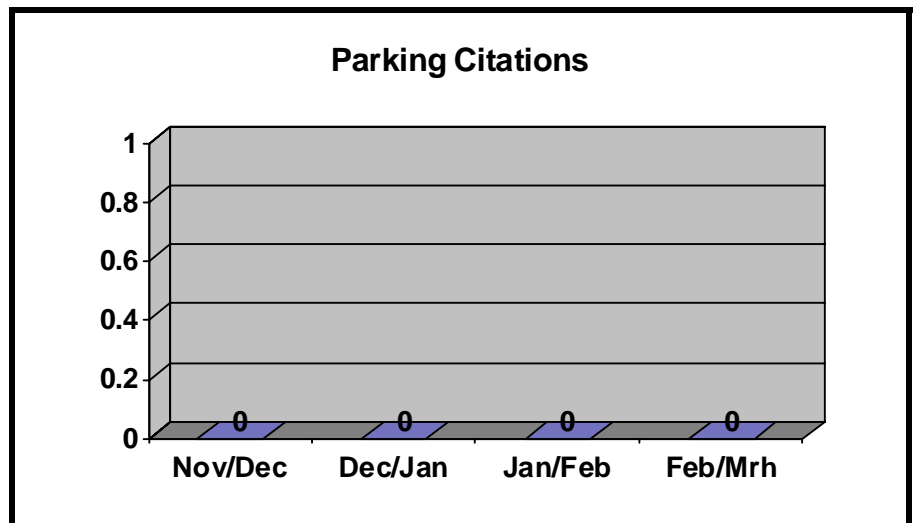
Traffic Accidents

From **March 21 – April 20, 2008** police investigated 7 traffic accidents.



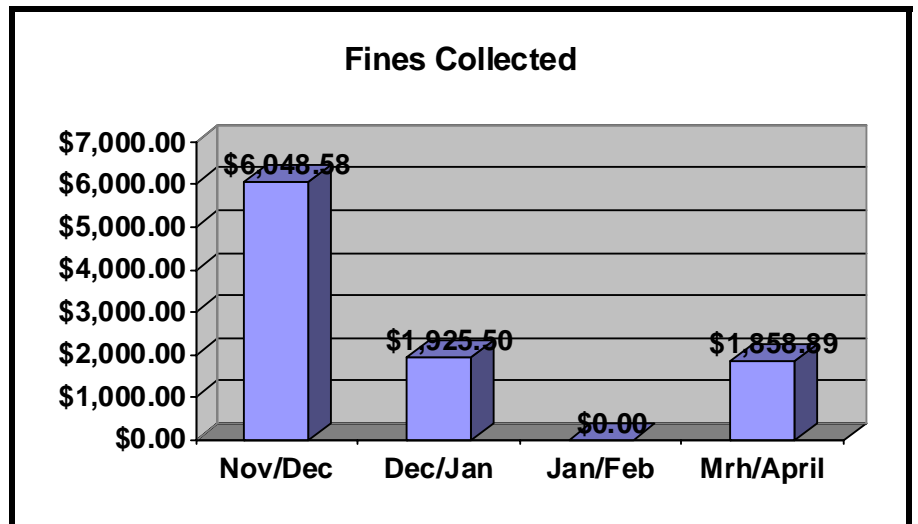
Parking Citations

The department issued 0 parking citations from **March 21 – April 20, 2008**.



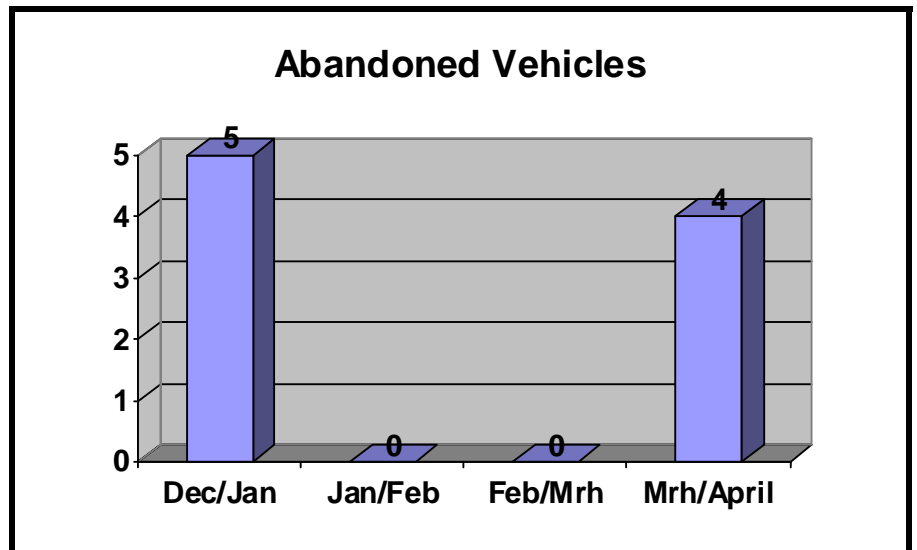
Fines Collected

From **March 21 – April 20, 2008** police have received \$1,858.89 in fines.



Abandoned Vehicles

From **March 21 – April 20, 2008** police have issued 4 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 officer 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.

Departmental Training

High Risk Patrol Operations

Patrol Response to Active Shooter Instructor Certification (3 days)

Innovative tactics and tried-and-true techniques are the hallmark of this course which is designed for individuals assigned the responsibility to teach police and SWAT personnel in immediate deployment/rapid intervention techniques. This is a train-the-trainer course. Topics to be covered include an historical overview of active shooter situations including school shootings, immediate deployment/rapid intervention tactics, barricade-hostage rescue concepts and instructional techniques. Simunitions weapons will be used in field training exercises.

Lieutenant Cornwell, Sergeant Harvey and Sergeant Hudson attended this training at the Ocean View Police Department in April 2008. After receiving this training the Milton Police Department officers will conduct mock scenarios at local schools and businesses in town.

Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings & Prevention of and Response to Suicide Bombing Incidents

These courses are designed to prepare and train emergency responders in suicide bombing threats and to perform effectively and safely during bombing incidents, principally in support roles within the warm and cold zones of the incident scene

Lieutenant Cornwell, Corporal Rockwell and Mike McNamara the Milton Neighborhood Watch Coordinator attended this training at the Rehoboth Beach Convention Center in April 2008.

National Child Passenger Safety Certification Training Program

The national standardized child passenger safety technician certification course is usually four to five days long and combines classroom instruction, hands-on work with car seats and in vehicles, and a community safety seat checkup event. Successful completion of this course certifies the individual as a CPS technician for two years.

Corporal Rockwell attended this training sponsored by the University of Delaware via Mike Love at the Milford Fire Department. If you would like to have your child's car seat inspected by a certified CPS (Child Passenger Safety) Technician, please contact the Milton Police Department at 302-684-8547 to set up an appointment with Cpl. Rockwell.

Protecting Your Business From Identity Theft Seminar

Safeguarding your business presented by Ray Johnson, Vice President & Security Section Manager Wilmington Trust Company. Mr. Johnson distributed security information for businesses such as Safeguarding your checks from thieves and counterfeiters, Internet phishing, Scam target prevention for businesses, Lottery scams, and Tips & ideas to protect your businesses.

Corporal Rockwell attended this seminar in April 2008. Corporal Rockwell also presented a presentation regarding what to do when a business receives a back check, requesting escorts for bank deposits. If you would like Corporal Rockwell to conduct a seminar please contact 302-684-8547.

CPR / AED / First Aid Recertification Training

Milton Police officers received their two year recertification training in CPR / AED / First Aid in March 2008. This training was conducted in a two-day training event.

Community Relations

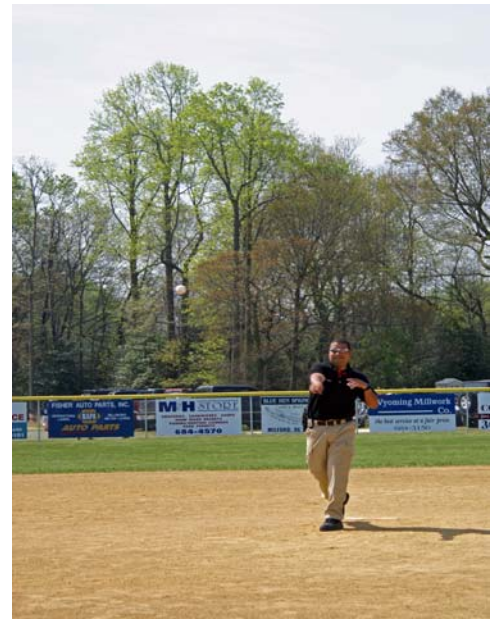
- ★ Milton Police Department conducted traffic control for the Sunshine Run Fundraiser in April 2008.
- ★ The past two years the Milton Police Department has sponsored a Milton Little League baseball team. Please see pictures below.



The Mets Major League team the Milton Police Sponsored.



Coach Ukie Johnson's truck ready for the parade



Corporal John Collins throwing out the first pitch

Press Release

On April 1, 2008, Milton Police Department arrested Accused Sheronda R. Jennings (37), of Frankford, Delaware for Theft by False Pretenses over \$1000 (Felony).

The Milton Police Department learned from investigation that on or about February 2008 through March 1, 2008 that the 62 year old victim was contacted by the Accused Jennings and she had lied about her circumstances in order to obtain money several times. The Milton Police Department then obtained a warrant for the arrest of Accused Jennings.

The Delaware Probation and Parole (Street Unit) assisted Milton Police by locating Accused Jennings and transported her to the Milton Police Department where she was processed by the Milton Police. Probation and Parole issued an Administrative Warrant (VOP) for Accused Jennings for \$9000 secure cash bail.

Accused Jennings was video-arraigned by Justice of Peace Court 2 and receiving a \$1000 secure bail for the current Felony Theft Charge. Accused Jennings was committed to Sussex County Correctional Institute in default of \$10,000 secured bond. Case pending in court at a later date.

Milton Police on April 6, 2008 arrested Bryan J. Stewart, 23, of Milton, De for Offensive Touching, Criminal Mischief, and Disorderly Conduct.

Milton Police responded to a report of a Domestic in Progress on Atlantic Ave. Milton Police upon arrival contacted the Victim who advised that she was pushed by her boyfriend Stewart into a wall. Milton Police learned that a hole was put into the wall by Stewart's conduct.

Milton Police searched the area for Stewart with negative results. Milton Police obtained a warrant for the arrest of Stewart and he was later located that evening walking with the victim and taken into custody.

Stewart was processed and then arraigned at Justice of the Peace Court 3 and placed into SCCI in default of \$300.00 secured bond pending later court date.

On April 7, 2008, Milton Police arrested Accused Keith A. GROSS (50), of Maryland, MD in reference to a Rule 9 warrant for 28 counts of Unlawful Sexual Contact Second Degree, which was issued by the Attorney General's Office. Accused Keith A. Gross legally changed his name and is now known as Zafeer Muhammad.

The Milton Police Department's Criminal Unit conducted an investigation and learned that Accused Gross/ Muhammad allegedly molested two female victims in the late 1980's and early 1990's in Milton, which the victim's were 5 and 8 years of age at the time. Milton Police presented the case to a Grand Jury and the Attorney General's Office issued a Rule 9 warrant for 28 counts of Unlawful Sexual Contact Second Degree.

On April 3, 2008, Milton Police located Accused Gross/ Muhammad in Maryland and contacted the Maryland State Police, who arrested Accused Gross/ Muhammad. On April 7, 2008, the Milton Police Department took custody of Accused Gross/ Muhammad after he was extradited from Maryland to Delaware.

Accused GROSS was processed at Milton P.D. and video-arraigned by the Justice of the Peace Court 2, which GROSS was committed to SCI Prison in default of \$81,000.00 secured bond.

Milton Police on April 16, 2008 arrested John Weiss, 63, of Milton, De for Assault 3rd and Kathleen Weiss, 54, of Milton, De for Offensive Touching and Resisting Arrest.

Milton Police responded to a Domestic in progress and contacted both John and Kathleen Weiss.

Milton Police learned that John and Kathleen had been in a physical fight with each other prior to the arrival of the Milton Police.

Milton Police took John into custody without incident for Assault 3rd and Kathleen was taken into custody after a brief struggle when she resisted arrest.

Milton Police processed both John and Kathleen at Milton Police Department and they were arraigned via Justice of the Peace and are awaiting trial at a later date.

State Police Joint Drug Trafficking Investigation Nets Drugs Cash and Ammunition

Released-Friday, April 18, 2008

With the cooperation of the Milton Police Department and the Office of Probation and Parole this joint investigation led to the arrest of eight people on twenty-nine narcotics and criminal charges.

A total of 64.3 grams of crack cocaine, 209.3 grams of marijuana, 4.3 grams of powder cocaine, \$1,510.00 in cash, cross bow, digital scales, and drug paraphernalia were seized. The Delaware State Police would like to thank those involved with helping to improve the quality of life for the citizens in these communities.

Milton-On Thursday April 17, 2008 the Delaware State Police Sussex Drug Unit/Sussex GTF, Milton Police Department, and Probation and Parole executed five search warrants in connection with a three month joint trafficking cocaine investigation involving Gergorio O. Rosales, 28 of Lincoln, Turray Jones, 27, of Milton, Candido O. Reynolds, 24 and Mayelin O. Rosales, 31, both of Milton.

The investigation revealed the suspects were allegedly distributing crack cocaine and marijuana in Milton, Lincoln, and Pine Ridge Drive located east of Sandhill Road south of Milton.

Gergorio Rosales and Turray Jones were into custody on USRT 9 west of Georgetown. A search of Gergorio Rosales resulted in the seizure of 28.6 grams of crack cocaine and \$1,035.00 in cash. A total of \$475.00 in cash was seized from Jones.

After Gergorio Rosales and Jones were taken into custody search warrants were executed at the following locations which led to additional seizures of cocaine, marijuana, and drug paraphernalia:

Candido Reynolds and Mayelin O. Rosales were arrested after a search warrant was executed at their residence in Park Royal apartments in Milton.

The search of that apartment and a 2002 Mercury Mountaineer owned by Mayelin O. Rosales resulted in the seizure of 209.3 grams of marijuana, 6.6 grams of crack cocaine, and a digital scale.

A search warrant was executed at the residence Turray Jones located along the 400 block of Yew Street in Milton. Seized during that search were 29.1 grams of crack cocaine.

A search warrant was executed at the residence of Wellington B. Hicks 3rd, 48, of Milton located along the 22000 block of Pine Ridge Road. Seized during that search were .32 and .22 caliber ammunition and a cross bow.

During a search of the property a 1991 Ford Crown Victoria belonging Malcolm J. Holloman, 21, of Milton was searched and 4.2 grams of powder cocaine was seized.

As a result of the investigation the following suspects were arrested:

Gergorio O. Rosales was arrested for Trafficking Cocaine, Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine Felony (PWITD Cocaine), Maintaining a Vehicle for Keeping a Controlled Substance (F), and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (M). G. Rosales was arraigned and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution (SCI) in lieu of \$52,000.00 cash bail.

Turray Jones was arrested for Trafficking Cocaine (F), PWITD Cocaine (F), Maintaining a Dwelling for Keeping a Controlled Substance (F), Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (M), and Violation of Probation. Jones was arraigned and committed to SCI in lieu of \$64,500.00 cash bail.

Candido Reynolds was arrested for PWITD Cocaine (F), PWITD Marijuana (F), Maintaining a Vehicle for Keeping a Controlled Substance (F), Conspiracy 2nd (F), two counts of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (M), and Violation of Probation. Reynolds was arraigned and committed to SCI in lieu of \$16,500.00 cash bail.

Mayelin O. Rosales was arrested for PWITD Cocaine (F), PWITD Marijuana (F), Maintaining a Vehicle for Keeping a Controlled Substance (F), Conspiracy 2nd (F), and two counts of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (M). M. Rosales was arraigned and Committed to the Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution in lieu of \$16,500.00 cash bail.

Malcolm Holloman was arrested for PWITD Cocaine (F), Maintaining a Vehicle for Keeping a Controlled Substance (F), and Resisting Arrest (M). Holloman was arraigned and released on \$8,000.00 unsecured bond.

Wellington B. Hicks 3rd was arrested for Possession of a Deadly Weapon by a Person Prohibited (F), Possession of Ammunition by a Person Prohibited (F), and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (M). Hicks was arraigned and released on \$4,000.00 unsecured bond.

On April 17, 2008, Milton Police arrested Jermaine A. Lambert (21) of Milton, DE, for Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Lambert was currently on probation for prior unrelated offenses. Probation and Parole officers conducted a search at Lambert's residence (Park Royal Apartments) in Milton and located a small amount of marijuana hidden inside a cigar tube.

Milton Police were already at the scene while the search took place and arrested Lambert at the scene. Lambert was transported to the Milton Police Department. A Probation and Parole Officer created a warrant for Lambert for Violation of Probation. Lambert was video-arraigned by the Justice of the Peace Court 2. Lambert was committed to the Violation of Probation Center in default of \$10,000.00 cash bond.

Local Fugitive Arrest

On April 2, 2008, Milton Police arrested Elvis Stevens, (41), of Milton, De for being a Local Fugitive with an active Capiases from Court of Common Pleas. Stevens was turned over to the Court of Common Pleas.

On April 2, 2008 Milton Police arrested Ashley Bowles, 22, of Milton, DE for being a Local Fugitive with an active Capias from Justice of the Peace Court 2. Bowles was released on unsecured bond pending later court date.

On April 6, 2008 Milton Police arrested Yvonne Dallas, 19, of Lewes, De for being a Local Fugitive with an active Capias from Justice of the Peace Court 2. Dallas was released on unsecured bond pending a later court date.

On April 13, 2008 Milton Police arrested a 16 year old male juvenile from Ellendale for being a Local Fugitive. The juvenile was wanted by Justice of the Peace Court 1 on an active capias. The juvenile was released to parents on unsecured bond pending a later court date.

On April 20, 2008 Milton Police arrested William R. Savage, 61, of Milton, De for being a Local Fugitive with active Capiases from Superior Court. Savage was committed to SCCI in default of \$501.00 cash bond pending Superior Court.

DUI Arrest

On Friday, April 11, 2008 William Collins, Jr., was arrested for DUI after having an accident in the town of Milton.

The Milton Police Chief William E. Phillips has provided the information below to you for educational purposes.

§ 4166. Overtaking and passing school bus; stop signal devices.

(a) School bus. --

(1) It shall be unlawful to operate or permit to be operated a vehicle which purports to be a school bus and which does not meet the following requirements:

- a. Carries a valid school bus inspection sticker;
- b. Meets all requirements set by the Department of Transportation; and
- c. Complies with §§ 4362-4364 of this title.

(2) If licensed in another state, these requirements still prevail except that an inspection sticker is not required.

(3) It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle which does not meet the requirements of this section to attempt to or to control traffic while stopped on the roadway to pick up and discharge passengers.

(b) School bus flashing lamps. --

(1) School bus flashing lamps are intended to identify the vehicle as a school bus and to inform other users of the highway that such vehicle is about to stop or is stopped on the roadway or shoulder to take on or discharge school children. They are separate from the brake lamps and shall not be used in lieu of or to supplement the brake lamps.

(2) The amber warning lamps shall be activated approximately 10 seconds prior to the red stop lamps to give motorists advance notice that the bus is preparing to stop or has stopped to pick up and discharge pupils. The lamps shall always be used prior to the red when available and shall be used only after the bus is relatively parallel with the travelway. The bus may be in motion when the amber warning lamps are activated.

(3) The red stop lamps shall be activated only when the bus is stopped, but only when the bus is stopped on the shoulder or roadway to pick up and discharge pupils. The red stop lamps shall not be displayed while the bus is in motion either before or after a stop.

(4) The amber warning lamps and/or the red stop lamps shall not be activated:

- a. In designated school bus loading zones;
- b. At intersections or other places where traffic is controlled by traffic-control signals or police officers;
- c. When the bus is not being used as a school bus; provided, however, the amber warning lights and/or the red stop lamps may be used any time the bus is transporting children under the age of 18.

(c) School bus words. -- The words "SCHOOL BUS" shall be displayed whenever the bus is operated as a school bus. The words shall be covered, or concealed or removed when the bus is not in actual service as a school bus.

(d)(1) Overtaking and passing school bus. -- When a school bus is stopped and displays flashing lamps in accordance with subsection (b) of this section, the driver of any vehicle approaching the school bus from the front or from the rear shall stop before passing the bus and remain stopped until

such bus begins to move or no longer has the red stop lamps activated. On roadway or roadways with 4 or more lanes, the driver approaching from the front shall not stop.

(2) The provisions of § 4101(a) of this title or any other statute notwithstanding, the provisions of this subsection shall apply on highways and elsewhere throughout the State.

(e) Stopping of school bus on shoulder. -- Whenever practical, a school bus driver shall stop on the shoulder to pick up and discharge passengers.

(f) Amber lights; exception. -- School buses not equipped with flashing amber lamps shall operate the red lamps only as permitted in paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of this section.

(g) Identification of violators. -- If any vehicle is witnessed by a police officer, school bus operator or school crossing guard to be in violation of subsection (d) of this section and the identity of the operator is not otherwise apparent, it shall be a rebuttable presumption that the person in whose name such vehicle is registered committed such violation of subsection (d) of this section.

(h) Bus operators, bus aides or crossing guards as witnesses. -- Whenever a school bus operator, a bus aide or a crossing guard is required to prepare, with legal counsel, for an appearance or to appear in any court as witness against a person who is alleged to have violated subsection (d) of this section, the witness shall be advised by the prosecutor assigned to the case by the Attorney General. If a witness is required to prepare for or to appear in court during working hours, as an operator, aide or guard, in a case as herein described, the witness shall not suffer any loss of wages, salary or leave time as an employee of the school district, bus contractor or other employing agency, because of such appearance, except as provided in this section. If the preparation or appearance occurs at a time other than regular working hours, then the witness shall be paid by the employer for the time involved. Payment for such time shall be at the rate regularly paid to that employee, except that such payment shall not exceed \$8 per hour. Employers shall be reimbursed for wages and employment costs paid upon presentation of appropriate documentation to the Secretary of Education.

(i) Penalties. -- Whoever violates subsection (d) of this section shall, for the first offense, be fined not less than \$115 nor more than \$230 or imprisoned not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days or both. For each subsequent like offense occurring within 3 years from the former offense, such person shall be fined not less than \$115 nor more than \$575, and imprisoned not less than 60 days nor more than 6 months. The minimum fine levied for a violation of subsection (d) of this section shall not be subject to suspension.

(j) Suspension of license. -- Upon receiving a conviction for a violation of subsection (d) of this section, the Department shall suspend the driver's license and/or driving privileges for a period of not less than 1 month, nor more than 1 year. If the driver's license is suspended, a conditional license may be issued pursuant to regulations adopted by the Department. (21 Del. C. 1953, § 4166; 54 Del. Laws, c. 160, § 1; 56 Del. Laws, c. 367; 60 Del. Laws, c. 701, § 42; 63 Del. Laws, c. 157, §§ 1, 2; 63 Del. Laws, c. 402, § 3; 64 Del. Laws, c. 311, § 1; 67 Del. Laws, c. 21, § 1; 68 Del. Laws, c. 9, § 29; 70 Del. Laws, c. 186, § 1; 73 Del. Laws, c. 65, § 26; 73 Del. Laws, c. 211, §§ 1, 2; 74 Del. Laws, c. 110, § 86.)

THE MILTON POLICE DEPARTMENT IS COMMITTED IN MAINTAINING A COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICE DEPARTMENT DEDICATED TO IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF MILTON WHILE ENFORCEING THE LAWS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE.