





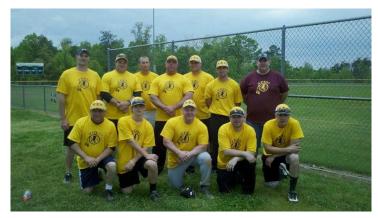




2013 Annual Report

The following pages contain the 2013 Annual Report for the Danville Sheriff's Office. This report is intended to highlight events, accomplishments, and notable things which occurred during the calendar year. It is not intended to be comprehensive.

\*The Danville Sheriff's Office participated in a charitable softball tournament to assist the family of Lucas Wayne, a child who lost his battle with a life threatening disease. Lucas was an avid Washington Redskins fan. All participating teams wore the team's colors in honor of Lucas.



Pictured are L to R: Front- Corporal Gary Ferrell, Justin Mondul, Corporal Shawn James, Deputy Corey Dix, Deputy Kyle Newcomb. Back-Deputy Tony Haynes, Sheriff Mondul, Deputy Brandon Adkins, Sergeant Jarrett Milam, Deputy Jonathan Taylor, Deputy Shawn Lovette, Deputy Robert Skrocki.

\*Several members of the Sheriff's Office participated in the annual MDA Lock Up. Pictured below are some of the Deputies who picked up members of the community and brought them to the Stratford Inn Conference Center to be "Locked Up" as part of the fundraiser.



Pictured L to R: Deputy James Fulk, Sheriff Mondul, Deputy Tina Haley, Captain Kelly Johnson, Corporal Ron Brown, Deputy Destinee Tompkins, Sergeant Dan Warren, and Lieutenant Thelbert Childress (kneeling).

\*The Sheriff's Office offered free gun locks to the public after a tragic incident on Glendale Avenue where a one year old was shot by a six year old.



# PRESS RELEASE: SHERIFF'S OFFICE OFFERS FREE GUN LOCKS DATE: August 6, 2013

As part of a continuing effort to promote public safety specifically pertaining to firearms, and the recent shooting incident of a young child, the Danville Sheriff's Office is offering free gun locks to citizens. Any person who comes to the James F. Ingram Justice Center (Danville Courthouse) located at 401 Patton Street can pick up a gun lock. Any citizen who is unable to come to the courthouse can call the Sheriff's Office to have one delivered to them within the city limits. This will be a long standing offer to citizens of this community. The goal of this initiative is to prevent shooting incidents similar to the one which occurred recently.

The Danville Sheriff's Office has an existing gun safety presentation geared towards young people which is based on the Eddie Eagle Gun Safe Program. Any organization needing gun safety information should contact the Danville Sheriff's Office.

\*The Special Response Team (SRT) members were certified to carry Tasers. The certification was completed by in house instructors Sergeant Sharon Wilson and Deputy Jonathan Taylor.



\*Captain Steve Martin and Lieutenant Willie Tucker interacted with approximately 150 children at the Danville Head Start Preschool. The focus of the interaction was about gun safety. Lt. Tucker and Capt. Martin explained to the children what steps to take if they found a gun.



\*The Sheriff's Office Facebook fan page grew to over 2500 fans. The page was used to update the public with Sheriff's Office information about events, and employment opportunities.



- \*The Sheriff's Office gained access into LINX, a law enforcement information sharing program. The Jail Administrators and Captain of the Civil Services Office were trained to use the system.
- \*The Inmate GED program was re-implemented at the jail in September. Previously, public financial resources were discontinued and the program was removed. Inmate canteen funds were used to re-fund the initiative.
- (4 inmates received a GED while incarcerated and 3 inmates continued the program after their release).

\*The Sheriff's Office hosted the annual September 11th ceremony. Danville Police Chief Philip Broadfoot and Danville Fire Chief David Eagle gave reflections at the event. The George Washington High School Brass Quintet opened with the national anthem. Hargrave Military Academy's Tim Carpenter played Amazing Grace on the bagpipes as the crowd exited the courthouse plaza.



Pictured is the flag line of retired law enforcement and military officers.

\*Corporal Shawn James went to the Ohio State Police Fire and Rescue Games and competed in the bench press, dead lift, strict curl and the push pull. He brought home a gold medal in all 4 events.



- \* The Sheriff's Office continued the implementation of securing restricting areas of the courts and jail building with fobs. The restraint closet, property room, and storage room in the jail were secured along with the Juvenile Court Judge's office hallway, and the Clerk's Office
- \* A new custom built key control box designed by Captain Martin and fabricated by Milton Hudson was hung in the booking office in the jail.
- \* A new business hub was installed in jail records and the booking office which consolidated copy, scan and fax tasks. This ultimately resulted in savings and efficiency.
- \* Installed windows in doors of the deputy break room and drink machine room.
- \* Replaced external trash cans with high capacity dumpsters at the jail and the annex.

#### "Y.A.G."

Danville area law enforcement partners teamed up again for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Youth Athletic Games which featured officers and staff members from the Danville Sheriff's Office, Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office, Danville Police Department, Danville Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, and Pittsylvania County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office. The law enforcement collaborative partnered with the Boys and Girls Club to build positive relationships with youth in the area in the form of athletic competition. Area youth ages 5-17 competed in three athletic events; basketball free throw contest, jump rope for time, and football accuracy throw. The top three in each age and gender category were awarded high quality medals by uniformed members of law enforcement agencies. The athletic events were preceded by a "Good Citizen's Pledge" which held the participants accountable to "...follow the rules of my household, my school, and society. I will be committed to being a good citizen by obeying the law, respecting authority, contributing to my community, honoring my country, doing what is right and serving others before myself." All participants received a copy of their signed pledge on quality grade paper, and a T-shirt. A hot dog meal was served following the event. Despite the morning downpour, and moving some of the events inside, the Y.A.G. pulled in 60+ participants.

The event was made possible and cost free to participants thanks to local sponsors: Danville Regional Medical Center, The Trophy and Sign Center, Aramark, DJ Larry Stamps and Home Depot.

A special thanks to Pittsylvania County Sheriff Mike Taylor, Danville Police Chief Philip Broadfoot, Danville Commonwealth's Attorney Michael Newman, Pittsylvania County Commonwealth's Attorney David Grimes, their respective officers and staff members. Also, special thanks to Major Matt Wyatt who coordinated the event.



\*The Danville Sheriff's Office participated in the annual Fraternal Order of Police Cops and Kids shopping event. The F.O.P. raised funds in the community and took over 55 underprivileged children Christmas shopping.



Lieutenant Childress is pictured at far right with DPD Officer Larry Land, "McGruff", and P.C.S.O. Sergeant Shannon Edwards

- \*Nurse's Office Remodeling-The first stage of the medical room remodeling project was completed with plans to finish in the calendar year 2014.
- \*New no touch paper dispensers were installed throughout the jail for staff members.
- \*Applied for \$116,000 dollars in the Attorney General's equitable sharing program.
- \*Received a positive finding after an NCIC/VCIN audit in May 2013.
- \*A re-entry pamphlet was created and implemented. The pamphlet provided community resource information to inmates who were released from jail.
- \*The state Local Inmate Data System (LIDS) changed over to the "CORIS" system. The Department of Corrections had been using CORIS. The two database systems were combined for a more effective conveyance of information.
- \*A life skills training initiative was started in the jail in partnership with VA CARES. The program provided selected inmates with learning opportunities to improve their perspective about life responsibilities with the overall goal of reducing the recidivism rate.



2013 was a very successful year for the Project Lifesaver (PLS) Program. Seventeen clients were enrolled, ten of which had Alzheimer's or other qualifying illnesses and seven clients were diagnosed with autism. Training was offered throughout the department and 16 deputies became certified. The Danville Police Department and Emergency Services partnered with PLS to utilize the RMS and CAD systems to notify Police Officers of PLS Clients and their addresses. If needed, Dispatch could send an image of a missing client to DPD's Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs). CAD began using an electronic messaging system to notify DSO deputies of PLS emergencies allowing quicker response times. More than a dozen community events were attended to promote the PLS Program and raise awareness of the effects of Alzheimer's and Autism. Roman Eagle Nursing Home sponsored a fundraiser on May 18, 2013 for Project Lifesaver, with donations totaling \$700. Numerous other donations from community organizations and individuals were received throughout the year for a total of \$3300. With this funding, equipment updates were possible in the form of new transmitters and receivers.

Public Presentations Included: United Way, Goodyear Health Fair, Roman Eagle fundraiser, URW Kids Day, URW Lowes Drive grand opening, Bridgetown Church Kids Day, Home Depot, Lions Club, City Employees Health Fair, Regional One Health Fair, Retired City Employees Health Fair, Averett Job Fair, and Ashley Furniture Public Safety Day.





Report submitted by Deputy B.M. Wilkerson and Deputy B.S. Payne



The Special Olympics got off to a frigid start the first weekend in February with the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Virginia Beach Polar Plunge. There were over 3,500 people in attendance which included Sergeant Michelle Edwards (DSO), Brenda Myers (DSO), Sergeant Investigator Shannon Edwards (PCSO) and Deputy Jody Myers (PCSO). This event raised 1.2 million dollars for the Virginia area. In March Sgt. Edwards and Inv. Edwards were the honored guests at an appreciation ceremony given by the Lutheran Family Services for their participation in the polar plunge. In May we joined forces with PSCO and Halifax County Sheriff's Office for a Cover the Cruiser fund raiser at the Danville Sam's Club. Sgt. Michele Edwards and Inv. Edwards attended the Torch Run kick off in Richmond. June brought the Danville City and Pittsylvania County legs of the Law Enforcement Torch Run. Runners from Danville PD, DSO, PCSO and Halifax County Sheriff's Office joined in the run from the Danville City limits to Lynchburg. Sgt. Edwards and Inv. Edwards finished the torch run up in Richmond at the lighting ceremony of the summer games. Although the games were over we continued to raise money alongside PSCO with fundraisers at CiCi's Pizza and Buffalo Wild Wings with all the effort put forth by DSO and PSCO we raised around \$5,400 this year.



Sergeant Michelle Edwards coordinated the Virginia Special Olympics events again for the D.S.O.

\*Perfect Attendance: Sergeant Callahan, Corporal James, Deputy Doby, Deputy Jamison, Deputy Dickerson, Deputy Payne, Deputy Dix, Deputy Haynes, and Deputy Rigney. Special thanks to these Deputies who stepped up all year and came to work!

\*Social Events-The Sheriff's Office organized two events for personnel and their families during the calendar year. The summer picnic was held at the shelter across from the Danville Braves ballpark. Everyone was invited to attend the game which followed. The annual Christmas party was held at the F.O.P. Lodge. Both events were well attended.

\*The Sheriff's Office partnered with other area law enforcement agencies and the D.E.A. for two prescription drug take back events.

\*URW credit card-URW, a local federal credit union, crafted a specialized debit card which when used by participating members generated revenue for training and equipment via the benevolent fund. The card was scheduled to go live in 2014.

\*As part of a Rotary vocational exchange program, Captain Martin was chosen to go to Australia in early 2014 to learn about law enforcement and corrections in "The Outback".

\*Crisis Intervention Training-Corporal Ferrell and Corporal White were certified as CIT instructors. Six other Deputies were trained in CIT.





\*New members of the Special Response Team; Corporal Shawn James and Deputy Tony Haynes.





## **Promotions**

\*Promotions: Corporal Dan Warren was promoted to Sergeant, Deputy Ril Mattison was promoted to Corporal, and Deputy Shawn James promoted to Corporal.







### **Commendation**

\*Submitted by Sergeant Gregory Roberts: On Wednesday August 21, 2013 at around 1230 hours it came to my attention that Brenda Myers was having some sort of difficulty. I entered the civil process office and met Mrs. Myers as she was exiting. I asked Mrs. Myers if she was okay, she informed me that she had been choking on a piece of food and could not breathe. Mrs. Myers then told me that Deputy Fountain had performed the Heimlich maneuver on her, and she was able to dislodge the obstruction. Deputy Fountain's quick thinking and actions most likely saved Mrs. Myers life, or at a minimum prevented Mrs. Myers from experiencing a serious medical episode. In my opinion Deputy Fountain should be commended for her life saving actions and recognized. As Deputy Fountain's Sergeant, I am very proud of her and believe her conduct exemplifies the commitment to service we all share.



Brenda Myers is pictured with her lifesaver, Deputy Fountain

#### Retirement

Master Deputy Dennis Hardy retired after 25 years of dedicated service to the Sheriff's Office. His experience and commitment will be greatly missed.



\*The Sheriff's Office continued with the theme of having all personnel included with a new formatted calendar for 2014. Photographs were taken of each shift.



- \*Sheriff Mondul was re-elected with 76% of the popular vote.
- \*The Sheriff's Office established an Honor Guard. Volunteer members trained with the Danville Police Department Honor Guard. They were sized and measured for uniforms. A separate patch was developed by the unit. Members of the first D.S.O. Honor Guard were: Lt. Willie Tucker, Sergeant Richard Callahan, Corporal Gary Ferrell, Deputy Cheryl Jamison, Deputy Margaret Hamilton, and Deputy Thomas Rigney.



\*Seven new recruits graduated from the Piedmont Regional Criminal Justice Training Academy.



Pictured L to R: Deputy Ruth Coggin, Deputy Keith Isom, Captain Martin, Deputy James Fulk, Sheriff Mondul, Deputy Joshua Spencer, Deputy Ryan Wilborne, Deputy Shawn Lovette, and Deputy Kyle Newcomb. Deputy Lovette achieved a bronze medal for PT, and Deputy Newcomb achieved a silver medal for EVOC.

\*All sworn Deputies qualified with the M-16's as a part of the annual regular firearms certification.

\*James J. Reynolds was appointed Judge by the General Assembly in July. Judge Reynolds filled the seat vacated by retired Judge David Melesco. The City of Danville allocated an additional secretary position to assist the Judge. The position was filled by Ms. Joyanna Vernon. A security wall was constructed in Circuit Courtroom #2 to add protection for the new Judge along with court staff, and the public. Additional plans to restructure the courtroom for enhanced functionality and security were proposed to the City.



\* The Danville Sheriff's Office won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the annual charity softball fundraiser, "The Law Enforcement Charity Softball Tournament" AKA *Gracie's Cup*. The event benefitted The Boys and Girls Club of the Danville Area, and D.A.R.E. of Pittsylvania County.

#### **Specialized Training**

- \*Three Deputies were certified as official Glock Armorers. Sergeant Mike Bray, Sergeant Greg Roberts, and Deputy Al Roberson attended the necessary certification course.
- \*Use of Force seminar-VA Beach/ Feb-Sergeant Mike Bray and Deputy Jonathan Taylor.
- \*Active shooter class Martinsville/ Feb -Deputy Michelle Wilkerson and Deputy Allen Doby.
- \*Advanced civil process training in Roanoke/March—Deputy Fountain and Deputy Irvin.
- \*VCIN Instructor School in Richmond/March-Deputy Conard.
- \*Western Regional Jail Association Training and picnic/June-Lt. Childress, Cpl. Brown, Deputy Fountain,
- Corporal Mattison, Deputy Brooks, Sgt. Hayes, Deputy Jamison.
- \*RASAP conference at the Institute for Advanced Learning/ July -Captain Johnson and Deputy Conard.
- \*Advanced Internal Affairs Training in Ashburn-Major Wyatt.
- \*Virginia Gang Investigators Conference/Training in VA Beach-Major Wyatt, and Sgt. Wilson.
- \*LIDS/CORIS Training-Karen Day, Sharon Briscoe, and Captain Martin.
- \*SunGard annual training conference-Captain Martin, Sharon Briscoe, Karen Day.
- \*VALEAC conference in Lynchburg/Oct —Corporal Clark and Deputy Conard.
- \*Leadership training-Academy/Dec- Captain Martin, Lt. Custer, Lt. Tucker, Sgt. Bray, Sgt. Barker, Sgt. Callahan, Sgt. Edwards.
- \*CIT training at the Crew Hall/December-Captain Johnson, Deputy Payne, Deputy Jonathan Taylor, Corporal James, Master Deputy Robertson.



Good News Jail & Prison Ministry counts it a privilege to have been a daily part of the Danville Sheriff's Office for over 37 years. March 2014 will be my 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary having the honor of serving as the chaplain with the Danville Sheriff's Office.

During 2013 your Good News Chaplain and volunteers conducted an average of 9 worship services and group Bible studies each week including one for Spanish speaking inmates; giving over 460 opportunities to inmates to attend a group meeting throughout the year. Along with group meetings there were 522 individual counseling sessions; 4,520 Bible lessons completed by inmates and 5 inmates who completed the Bible Correspondence Course and received a Good News Award Bible.

In addition to Christian ministry in the facility we were able to continue to facilitate inmates of various religious needs as well as providing consultation to staff and the community in meeting these needs.

While religion is the primary role of Good News, volunteers also continued to provide library services to both men and women inmates each week with books donated through community support. Also, Narcotics Anonymous has continued to meet weekly with women inmates at the jail annex. As in previous years, whether religious or secular, dozens of new volunteers are provided training in understanding their role in the facility and the importance of maintaining proper security.

Early last year we began a series of *Living Life to its Fullest* classes for women inmates beginning with Positive Outlook in the New Year. The PONY program provided women inmates the opportunity to hear from other women who are professionals in their field of work on how to set and reach goals. The series continued with programs on Women's Health Issues and Dealing with Grief and Depression.

Even though ministry to inmates is the public perception of Good News, one of the greatest privileges for me is building relationships and ministering to deputies and staff members. Whether at a time of grief, during a critical incident stress debriefing, a staff meeting or at a celebration it is an honor to be the chaplain for the men and women serving our community in the Danville Sheriff's Office.

In His Service,

David Abernathy

Rev. David Abernathy

Senior Chaplain, Good News Jail & Prison Ministry

# 2013 Statistics

Sworn Personnel: 73

Non Uniformed Personnel: 9

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Average Daily Population	212	242	262	304	293
Subpoenas Received	47,795	38,861	35,400	39,467	38,978
Jury Summonses Received	330	648	585	881	925
Levies Received	217	311	251	234	280
Mental Trips/Danville	330	647	443	565	564
Mental Trips/Out of Town	35	127	88	91	117
Circuit Court Days	407	423	405	316	357
General District Days	243	243	242	242	237
Juv. and Domestic Court Days	280	285	262	264	278

