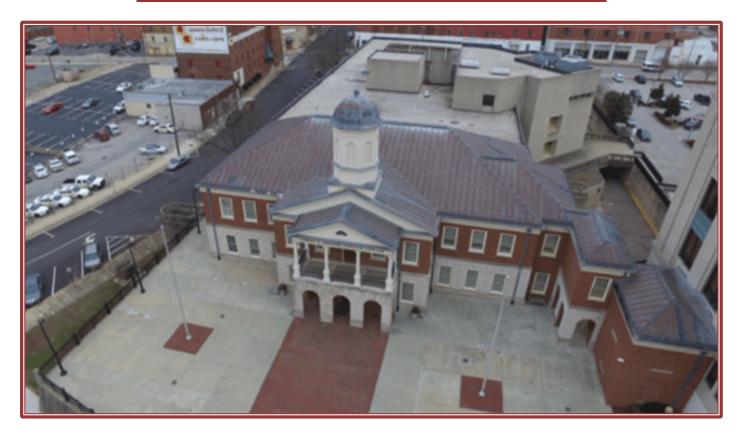
Danville Sheriff's Office



2015 ANNUAL REPORT

The following pages contain the 2015 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.

*Deputy Sandra Irvin was inducted into the Saint Francis Society of Animal Friends. She is pictured here with Sheriff Mike Mondul. Humane Society Director Paulette Dean stated, "Deputy Irvin is always mindful of animals in need as she discharges her duties." Good job, Deputy Irvin, we appreciate your excellent service to our community!



*The Danville Sheriff's Office was runner up in the annual Law Day Bowling Tournament which featured a friendly bowling match pitting teams within the criminal justice system against one another.

*United Way-The Danville Sheriff's Office achieved 100% participation again in the City of Danville's fund raising initiative. Passing the torch: Longtime coordinator Karen Day stepped down and passed along the duties to Shelia Hernandez. Thank you Karen for your many years supporting this great organization!







Shelia Hernandez

New Recruits



*Two Danville Sheriff's Office Deputies graduated from the Piedmont Regional Criminal Justice Training Academy Entry Level Jail School Session #21. Pictured (L to R) Deputy Thomas Rigney, Corporal Gary Ferrell, Lt. Willie Tucker, Sheriff Mike Mondul, Deputy Kyle Phelps, Deputy Austin Brandon, and Captain Steve Martin. Both graduates (Phelps and Brandon) graduated from the academy and received awards: Phelps achieved a bronze medal in Physical Training, and a bronze medal in Firearms. Brandon achieved a gold medal in Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC), and a gold medal in Firearms. Brandon also won the Director's Award, and was the class president. Cadets were present from the following jurisdictions: Danville Sheriff's Office, Danville Adult Detention Center, Henry County Sheriff's Office, and the Martinsville Sheriff's Office.



*Six Danville Sheriff's Office Deputies graduated from the Piedmont Regional Criminal Justice Training Academy Session #22. The graduates are pictured (L to R) front-Deputy Kevin Jones, Deputy Rafael Garcia, Deputy James Newby, Deputy Alisha Watts, Deputy John Dalton, and Deputy Casey Saunders. Back Row-Lt. Willie Tucker, Sgt. Richard Callahan, Corporal Gary Ferrell, Captain Steve Martin, and Sheriff Mike Mondul. Jones achieved a bronze medal for firearms, Newby achieved a silver medal for physical training, Dalton achieved a bronze medal for PT and a gold medal for Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC), and Saunders received a silver medal for EVOC. Other agencies represented were: Martinsville Sheriff's Office, Patrick County Sheriff's Office, Henry County Sheriff's Office, and the Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office.

Promotions



*May- Promotions (front row L to R) Corporal Samuel Hamlett, Corporal Michelle Wilkerson, Sergeant Carrington Petty, Sergeant Ril Mattison, Lieutenant Sharon Wilson, and Corporal Corey Dix.

*October-Deputy Angela Harper was promoted to Corporal. Sheriff Mondul is pictured pinning Corporal Harper with her Chevrons.



Retirements







Corporal Brown

^{*}Lieutenant Thelbert Childress retired after twenty-seven years of dedicated service to the Sheriff's Office. Corporal Ron Brown retired after sixteen years of dedicated service. Their years of commitment to the community are genuinely appreciated.

Y.A.G."

*Danville area law enforcement partners teamed up again for the 4th annual Youth Athletic Games which featured officers and staff members from the Danville Sheriff's Office, Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office, Danville Police Department, Virginia State Police, Danville Commonwealth Attorney's Office, and Pittsylvania County Commonwealth Attorney's Office. The law enforcement collaborative partnered again with the Boys and Girls Club to continue building positive relationships with youth in the area in the form of athletic competition. Area youth ages 5-17 showed up to participate in five athletic events; 100 yard dash, field goal kick, football throw, free throw contest, and jump rope contest. The event was opened with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The participants then recited a "Good Citizen's Pledge" which consisted of the young people raising their right hands and promising to be rule following, law abiding citizens now and in the future. Each child signed the pledge which was printed on formal paper and was given to them as a keepsake. Children donned bright pink T-shirts and medals were awarded for first through third place in each event which was broken down by gender and age categories. The event was cost free thanks to local sponsors: Danville Regional Medical Center, Aramark, Trophy and Sign Center, and Home Depot. Aramark provided a meal for everyone in attendance. Despite a modest turnout, the event was a success.

The Danville Sheriff's Office would like to extend a special thanks to Sheriff Mike Taylor, Chief Philip Broadfoot, Danville Commonwealth's Attorney Mike Newman, Pittsylvania County Commonwealth's Attorney Bryan Haskins, Virginia State Police First Sergeant John Turner and the men and women from their respective agencies who volunteered their time and energy to make this event a success.





*Lieutenant Thelbert Childress received the American Legion Post 1097 Deputy of the Year Award. Lt. Childress was nominated from his peer group for the award. He is pictured above with his family during the awards banquet which also included Police Officer and Firefighter of the Year.

*Longtime Danville Sheriff's Office Bailiff Sam Carter passed away in 2015. He served the DSO for 15 years in a fulltime capacity, retiring in 1995, and then went to work part time until he officially retired in 2006. Sam also served the Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office.



*Worked with City to remove hourly restriction for parking on Lynn Street. The change freed most courthouse workers from having to shuffle their vehicles every few hours, thus increasing productivity.

*An additional Juvenile and Domestic Relations Judge was added to the 22nd Judicial District. During 2015, Judge Tim Allen rotated around the Judicial Circuit and served as Judge one to two days a week.

*Sheriff Mondul and Captain Martin participated in a tabletop Emergency Operation Planning Exercise at the new Danville Fire Department Station. The exercise featured all of the department heads in the city, the hospital, the military, Virginia Department of Emergency Management, and public safety from Henry County and Pittsylvania County.

*After a survey done by the Sheriff, all jail shifts went to permanent shifts; four days on, four days off, either permanent days or nights. The change was well received and yielded overwhelming positivity.

*Due to overcrowding in the jail, the Sheriff requested four additional deputies "EC7's" from the Virginia Compensation Board. The request was approved, and the Compensation Board added funding into the budget for the additional positions.



* Years of service hash mark patches were added to the left sleeve on the Class A uniform. One hash mark indicated three years of service at the Sheriff's Office. Pictured to the left are hash marks indicating Lt. Colonel Salmon's 39 years of dedicated service.

Partnerships Paying Off:

*A grant from the Department of Behavioral Health Developmental Services allocated funds for a Crisis Intervention Team Assessment Center or CITAC to open in the hospital. The two year grant allowed the CITAC to accept transfers of most Emergency Custody Orders and some voluntary transfers. The ECO subjects' custody is maintained by an off duty deputy or police officer who was paid \$30.00 an hour. The CITAC began operations on October 1, 2015 and is open from noon to midnight daily. The program was a cooperative partnership between the Sheriff's Office, Danville Police Department, Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office, and the Danville/Pittsylvania County Community Services Board.

*The Sheriff's Office received \$117,550 from the Attorney General's settlement stemming from the Abbott Laboratories lawsuit. The proceeds of the lawsuit benefitted law enforcement agencies across the Commonwealth. The money could not be spent on salaries. As a result, the Sheriff's Office used the funds to add proximity locks to the courts and jails building, added Tasers, bought bullet and sharp resistant vests, and purchased an X-Ray baggage scanner for the front door of the courthouse.



The kick off ceremony for National Night Out 2015 was held at Trinity United Methodist Church on Arnett Blvd. Sheriff Mondul shared remarks with the crowd about the importance of the "If you see something, say something" initiative.



The Danville Sheriff's Office continued its long standing commitment to the Muscular Dystrophy Association's "Lock Up" event in July; Captain Johnson, Corporal Myrick, Deputy Rigney, Deputy J. Phelps, Deputy Hamilton, and Deputy Prunty are pictured participating in the event.

- *A glass display cabinet was affixed to the exterior of the Courthouse to update the public on notices and building closing notifications.
- *The Sheriff's Office Facebook Page reached over 4,000 Likes.
- *New mattresses were purchased for inmates in the jail.
- *A new, solid ceiling was installed in the recreation room in the jail. The replacement improved safety in the jail.
- *A new transport van replaced the worn out older van in the fleet.
- *A new tilt pot, food trays and carts were purchased for food service.
- *New bullet and sharp resistant vests were purchased for the Special Response Team.



The Danville Sheriff's Office and Danville Police Department teamed up against the Pittsylvania County Sheriff's again for the annual Law Enforcement Challenge which raised money for the Boys and Girls Club or the Pittsylvania County D.A.R.E. program dependent upon the winner of the best of three games tournament. The PCSO team took the trophy home, but both organizations received the money.

Danville Deputy Brings Home Silver Medal in World Games

By Matt Ray Monday, July 13th 2015



Danville, VA - He put the weight of Danville on his shoulders and carried the city to a win on the world stage.

Almost every day you will find Corporal Shawn James at the gym so that he's ready for anything when he comes to work at the Danville City Jail.

"It's very helpful in this line of work," said James.

Folks at Perfect Body Fitness say he's practically a fixture.

"He's in at least four days a week, training on the bench, the power for the squats and everything," said Perfect Fitness owner Tammy Wiles.

So when the members found out he had qualified to compete at the World Police and Fire Games in Fairfax, they were so confident, they pitched in to raise the money for the trip.

"It's a privilege. It's a privilege not just with my gym, but just to have athletes like that in my community," said Wiles.

James competed against nearly 200 police and firefighters from across the world in what's called the Push Pull.

With a bench press of 400 pounds and a deadlift of 595 pounds, he didn't disappoint, bringing home the silver medal.

"To be in a small town like where I'm from... and competing [against athletes from] all over the world. It was very exciting," said James.

"We're obviously really proud of him. He represented our area and our office very well," said Danville Sheriff Mike Mondul.

James says his strict training regimen has no doubt made him a better officer.

"It's really grueling and to do that day in and day out you have to have focus, which helps you for your job as well," said James.

And he was honored to represent Danville in front of the world.

"It was very humbling. It really was," said James.

James doesn't have much time to rest. He is now training for the National Powerlifting Championships in October.

He's taken home first place in that competition twice before and is hoping for a third.





*The Virginia Sheriffs' Institute awarded several scholarships to criminal justice students across the state. Pictured above are Danville residents (L to R) Deja Totten, Danville Sheriff Mike Mondul, and Jeffrey Williams Jr. Totten attends Hampton University and Williams attends Averett University. Both Totten and Williams are criminal justice majors. The amount of the scholarships was \$1,000.00 each.

*Social Gatherings- The Sheriff's Office continued the tradition of having a cookout at Dan Daniel Park followed by a Danville Braves game for Deputies, staff and their families. A Christmas Dinner was also held. Both events were structured so that everyone, even those who were working, could attend.

Notable Trainings:

- *Hostage Negotiation (January); Sgt. Callahan, Corporal James, Sgt. Mattison, Corporal Mills
- *WRJA Spring Training in Roanoke; Lt. Tucker, Deputy Brooks, Deputy Jones, Corporal Hamlett, Nurse Turner, Sgt. Warren, Deputy Fountain, Deputy Doby
- *Leadership Class (May); Sgt. Warren, Sgt. Milam
- *Intro to Domestic Extremism and Hate Groups Salem (June); Lt. Tucker, Sgt. Roberts, Corporal Clark, Cpl. Taylor, Deputy Fountain, Deputy Brooks, Deputy Conard
- *Social Media (August); Captain Johnson, Lt. Wilson
- *Randy Means Leadership Class (September); Major Wyatt, Lt. Custer, Sgt. Warren, Sgt. Petty
- *Bulletproof Mind @ IALR (September); Captain Johnson, Sgt. Roberts, Sgt. Callahan, Deputy Payne, Deputy J. Taylor, Corporal Hamlett

Community Involvement

The Sheriff's Office remained very active in the community:

- *URW Kids Day April: Deputy Payne and Deputy Hamlett
- *City Employee Health Fair @ Community Market April: Deputy Payne, Deputy Robertson
- *YMCA Healthy Kids Day April
- *Autism 5K April: Deputy Payne and Deputy Irvin
- *Prayer Vigil for City @ New Hope Baptist Church May: Captain Johnson and Lt. Tucker
- *United Way Breakfast September
- *Major Wyatt served as President of the Danville Rotary Club
- *Sheriff Mondul served as President of the Danville Host Lions Club and Chairman of Haven of the Dan River Region Inc. He also received Big Brother of the Year from Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Danville.



The Administrative Assistants of the Danville Sheriff's Office wore blue jeans to work for a week as part of the "Blue Jeans for Blue Doors" campaign to raise awareness and funds for the Boys and Girls Club of the Danville Area. Pictured are (L to R) Shelia Hernandez. Sharon



Briscoe, Karen Day, Brenda Myers, and Sherry Dixon. Later in the year, Sheriff Mondul participated in a "Mustache Fundraiser" to raise funds for the club.

DSO Deputies teamed up with the Danville Police Department, Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office, and Danville Probation and Parole at Target for the annual FOP Cops and Kids event.



Gone But Not Forgotten



On December 22nd, 2015, Deputy Charmine P. Dickerson passed away due to complications from giving birth to her first child, Cheyanne. Deputy Dickerson was a five year veteran of the Danville Sheriff's Office and was assigned to the jail. Her funeral was held at the True Holiness Apostolic Church on Southampton Avenue. Law enforcement officers from agencies around the region attended her funeral. A joint law enforcement Honor Guard comprised of Danville Sheriff's Deputies and Danville Police Officers paid a fitting graveside tribute to her service to our community. Sheriff Steve Draper's Martinsville Sheriff's Office Motorcycle Unit paved the way for the long funeral procession while Danville Police Officers, Danville Sheriff's Office, and the Virginia State Police blocked intersections in an impressive show of respect for Deputy Dickerson. Her smile and work ethic will be missed by all who knew her.

R.I.P. DSO 47



Chaplain David Abernathy Danville City Jail

February 2016

Good News Jail & Prison Ministry counts it a privilege to have been a part of the Danville Sheriff's Office for over 38 years. One of the constants of this relationship throughout these years has been the professionalism of it's members and the impact they have on our community. The faithfulness to duty by deputies and staff is always an integral part of our work to help men and women make life changing decisions while incarcerated.

In addition to providing the Chaplain's ministry in the jail and to the department, numerous churches, community organizations and agencies provided services to inmates. Through Good News, Narcotics Anonymous continued to provide a weekly support group. As well, there were many opportunities each week for inmates to experience a group Bible study, worship service or cell block visit from volunteers from various churches and religious organizations.

Along with the many hours community volunteers donate each year to the welfare of inmates they have graciously donated library books, Bibles and other religious materials, as well as, items for a small Christmas gift to inmates. Such illustrations of concern make a tremendous impact on the life of someone who may not have found encouragement prior to their incarceration. Equally, it may be just the reminder needed to return to a caring family relationship.

It is always an honor to serve as pastor to deputies and staff whether at occasions of celebration, times of grief or just the stress of daily life. During 2015 we began a biblically based inspirational monthly email to staff for encouragement and to provide a smile

As in previous years, members of the Danville Sheriff's Office volunteered with several of our community events, including the summer Walk-A-Thon and fall Golf Event for Good News. Joining members from the Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office, Danville Adult Detention and the Danville Police Department, deputies were volunteer servers at the Good News Annual Hope Beyond the Walls Banquet last spring.



Sheriff Mondul with Harry Greene, President Emeritus, Good News Jail & Prison Ministry and Chaplain Abernathy

Respectfully.

Rev. David Abernathy

Chaplain, Good News Jail & Prison Ministry

2015 Statistics

Sworn Personnel: 77

Non Uniformed Personnel: 9

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A.D.P.	212	242	262	304	293	309	269
Subpoenas	47,795	38,861	35,400	39,467	38,978	33,083	32,802
Jury Summ.	330	648	585	881	925	900	900
Levies	217	311	251	234	280	235	253
Trips/In	330	647	443	565	564	449	332
Trips/Out	35	127	88	91	117	116	408
*CCRT Days	407	423	405	16	357	386	395
GDCT Days	243	243	242	242	237	232	241
#JDCT Days	280	285	262	264	278	212	290

^{*}Two CRCT Judges

#One Full Time Judge and One Part Time Judge

Legend:

A.D.P. = Average Daily Population/Jail Subpoenas= Subpoenas Received Jury Summonses Received Levies Received Mental Trips/In Danville Mental Trips/Out of Town Circuit Court Days General District Court Days Juv. And Domestic Court Days

