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May 27, 2005

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Mark D. Boughton
Members of the Common Council ✓

From: Chief Alan D. Baker

Subject: **Police Department Monthly Report**
May 2005

I submit this report of the activities of the Danbury Police Department for the month of May.

Personnel

Department – 143 sworn personnel. 6 officers remain out on injury leave.

Community Services (See attached)

Training

5/3-5/5 Tactical Breaching School (FBI) – P.O.s Conrad & Scocozza
5/4-5/5 The Criminal Justice Response to Domestic Violence - Capts. Mulvey & Wendel, Sgt. Carroccio, P.O.s Colla, Burke, Zaloski, J. Dinho & Carroccio
5/5 Duty Weapon Qualification – Many Officers
5/5-5/6 Vericom Computer Training Class – P.O. Brevard
5/6 Child Abuse Conference (7th Annual) – Entire Youth Bureau
5/9 Firearms Duty Weapon Qualification – Many Officers
5/11-5/12 Police in the Classroom – P.O.s T. Frinton & Tragni
5/16-5/20 Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement – P.O. Bardelli
5/17 EAP – Employee Assistance – Lt. Gantert & Sgt. Karcz
5/17 Culture of Death & Terrorism Recognition – Capt. Mulvey, Sgt. McNally & S.P.O. Newkirk
5/17 Freedom of Information Training – Chief Baker

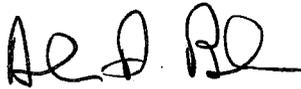


5/19 Polygraph Examination Class – Chief Baker
5/20-5/22 EMT Re-Certification – Dets. Norkus & Bishop
5/23 Use of Force Legal Issues – Sgt. Chelso
5/23-5/25 Advanced Stakeout and Surveillance Techniques – Det. Lalli
5/23-5/28 Tactical Explosive Breacher Course – Sgt. DeRocco
5/26 Arrest & Control Training – P.O. Pooler

Chief Baker's Significant Meetings

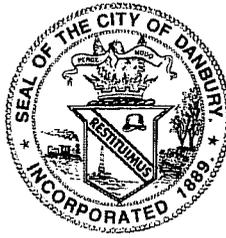
5/2 City Project Meeting – City Hall
5/3 Regional Hospice Breakfast – Amber Room
5/3 1967 Pension Board Hearing – City Hall
5/3 Common Council Meeting – City Hall
5/6 Immigration Meeting – Mayor Boughton
5/9 Immigration March Meeting
5/11 Mayor's Cabinet Meeting – City Hall
5/11 Tarrywile Park
5/13 National Law Enforcement Memorial – Washington, D.C.
5/16 Immigrant March Meeting
5/17 Neighborhood Nuisance Committee
5/20 Annual Danbury Police Department Memorial & Awards Ceremony
5/23 VALE Program
5/24 Chamber of Commerce Luncheon – Amber Room
5/26 Personnel Labor Board Hearing – City Hall
5/27 Immigration March Meeting
5/30 Memorial Day Parade

Respectfully submitted,



Alan D. Baker
Chief of Police

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Attach



DANBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

DATE: FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2005
TO: ALAN D. BAKER, CHIEF OF POLICE
CC: CAPTAIN A. SULLO, ACTING DEPUTY CHIEF
FROM: LIEUTENANT PETER F. GANTERT
RE: **MAY 2005, ACTIVITY REPORT: COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION**

Chief Baker,

The following is a brief overview of activities engaged in by officers of the Community Services Division for the time period of April 15, 2005 to May 15, 2005.

Numerous events and meetings were organized, participated and planned by members of the Community Services Division during the month to include the following:

- Citizens Police Academy Session#13** – Started March 15, 2005: Participants have completed the session and will be graduating next month.
- Citizens Police Academy Session#14**- Currently recruiting and planning the next session of the Citizen Police Academy for the Summer/Fall of 2005. Anyone interested in attending should contact the community Affairs Office at 797 4644 – seats will be filled quickly.
- Child Passenger Safety Fitting Station** – Weekly at CSD Building Monday mornings by appointment only. Currently our department has twelve federally certified Child Passenger Safety Seat Technicians, two of which are Federally Certified Instructor. **47** seat were checked/installed this month **YTD 221. (2004 YTD 666).**
- Tribuna Crime Prevention/Education Articles**- Bi monthly crime prevention/education articles written by members of the Community Affairs office.
- City Center Board Meeting**- Monthly Meeting

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- ❑ **V.A.L.E. Meeting-** Meet weekly with our VALE advocate to review project status.
- ❑ **PAL Events/Fundraisers:** Antique Show (April), Wicker Show and Pro Wrestling Event, Banner Supporter Program. Tool Show and also a Teak Furniture show.
- ❑ **Updated Alarm Holder Contact Information** – Ongoing by Sergeant Brunelli
- ❑ **VALE Conference** – May 4&5, 2005 – Training was attended by eight officer from our department. VALE Grant funds were used to back fill vacancies in the department to allow as many officers as possible to attend.
- ❑ **Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant FY2005-** Grant was written and submitted to USDOJ. Total award amount is \$28070.00.
- ❑ **Elderly Fraud/Scam presentation** – May 3, 2005 at St Anthony's Church.
- ❑ **CTDOT Seatbelt Enforcement WAVE #29** – Currently being planned for a two-week period surrounding Memorial Day.
- ❑ **Senior Safety Talk** – The Gardens/Glenn Hill
- ❑ **Stranger Danger Presentation** – King Street School
- ❑ **Summer safety Presentation** – King Street School
- ❑ **911 Presentation** – King Street School
- ❑ **Gun Safety Presentation** - King Street School
- ❑ **Neighborhood Watch** – Issues were received and dealt with from the following neighborhood watch areas; Glenn Apartments, Sterling Woods, Racing Brook and Linden Crest
- ❑ **Department Tours** – six this month to various groups
- ❑ **Simon Funeral Detail** – Division covered detail

Community Policing Unit:

Sergeant Jonas Karcz

Community Policing Unit: Bicycle patrol: 7 officers {2 Ofc Vacant}: Officers Timothy Strano, Marcel Kruijs, Paul Carroccio, Tom Collins, Steven Cameron, Michelle Brown, Lenny Labonia, {Vacant}, {Vacant}

With the one-year leave of absence granted to Officer Trevor Horten, and the reassignment of Officer Hayes leaves the Community Policing Unit two Officers short at this time.

Monthly activity: The community policing officers made (8) arrests this month, (28) parking tickets were issued, and (40) State infractions were also issued. In addition the above enforcement activity they handled (163) calls for service.

Officers are currently addressing the issues at Kennedy Ave Park. Currently officer are coming in at 07:00 hrs and monitoring and managing this area for criminal and quality of life issues.

This unit is also proactively addressing the quality of life issues plaguing our dining and Entertaining District. They have been working with other unit within our department, city and with other state agencies. Officer Paul Carroccio has been assigned the responsibilities of liaison with CityCenter. He will be attending and representing the Department at their monthly meetings.

Officer Assigned to the Community Policing Unit are currently engaged in a Downtown outreach program designed to bring the police and the downtown community closer together. Officer will be stopping into each business and making personal contact with each owner to address issue of concern and to obtain key holder information that should aid the whole department in responding to emergencies at anyone of these locations.

- Immigrant Protest – VFW
- Los Ninos Festival – Green
- Bike Safety Fair – Toys R Us
- Child Safety Day – Tiger Schulman
- Simon Funeral
- 2 Department Tours
- 2 Funeral escorts

Graffiti Task-force: 1 officer: Officer Kenneth Utter (203.796.1662)

The Graffiti Task-force is tasked with the identification of graffiti, graffiti writers as well as the clean up of graffiti on public property. Officer Utter continued his partnership with the court system, coordinating community service ordered work by GA#3. This has resulted in the removal of thousands of dollars worth of damage at no cost to city residents.

In addition to the above listed duties this position has been expanded to target illegal-dumping issues plagued by the city and it's residents and provides training to department officers in the areas of graffiti and gangs. He also provides this unique training to other area police departments.

Community Affairs Unit:

- ❖ **Community Affairs Unit: 2 Officers 1 Civilian:** Ofc. Mortara, Ofc. Bobel, Victim Advocate Sheree Surdam

The community Affairs Unit is tasked with the responsibility of all community outreach and safety programs conducted by the Danbury Police Department. In addition to this, the Community Affairs

unit is responsible for crime prevention activities, injury prevention, Total Occupant Safety, Neighborhood mediation along with our new VALE program. Officer Bobel and our Information System will also fall under this unit's supervision, which includes the overseeing of our critical IMS/RMS/MDC systems.

For Department stats please see the attached department Activity Report prepared by Officer Bobel.

Special Programs Unit:

PAL Director: Sergeant Robert Guerrero, **PAL Event Coordinator:** Thomas Mack
Communications/ Fleet Supervisor: Sergeant Joseph Brunelli **Fleet Specialist:** Special Officer Ronald Newkirk

Is directly supervised by the Commanding Officer of the Community Services Division and consists mainly of support services for the department. Under this unit are two fulltime units staffed by two sergeants and one civilian. In addition to this there are four part-time units staffed on an as needed basis, which consist of the Honor Guard, Chaplains, Recruiting Officer and Mobile Operations Center Team.

Police Activities League: Sergeant Robert Guerrero (203.778.4725)

Sgt. Guerrero currently runs PAL operations with the assistance of Ret. Detective Lt. Thomas Mack. Currently fund raising activities PAL carnival, antique show, teak furniture show, tool show, and DYS charity basket ball game.

Communications / Fleet Management: Sergeant Joseph Brunelli, SPO Newkirk (203.797.4673)

Sergeant Brunelli will be on an extended leave due to medical reason and is expected to return to his duties on or about June 27, 2005. A request for a temporary assignment to handle Brunelli's duties during his absence has been submitted for consideration.

Sgt. Brunelli is tasked with the daily duties of managing and supervising the department's school crossing guards and dispatchers. In addition to this he is responsible for overseeing our fleet of vehicles to keep them in operating condition.

- Sergeant Brunelli has submitted a letter requesting reassignment to the Patrol Division.
- Sgt Brunelli conducts weekly vehicle inspection in cooperation with the working 8-4 field supervisors.
- Sgt Brunelli just completed the FBI/Collect audit – a couple of issues have been identified and are currently being dealt with.
- Tow Company inspections were done in April.
- 911 calls: Jan '05 (495), Feb '05 (353), Mar '05 (443)

School Crossing Guards:

Sgt Brunelli has requested a meeting with the Chief's office, BOE and the mayor's office to discuss the current problems with the school crossing guards program. This is being done in hopes of addressing these issues in a proactive manner so this program is operating efficiently and providing the appropriate coverage of our crossings.

➤ Currently two guards short – Lake Ave & Westville & Ninth @ Roberts Ave

Miscellaneous Info:

Stolen Motor vehicles: (13)

Stolen License Plates: (11)

Fleet Vehicle Service calls: (28)

❖ **Mobile Operations Center Team:** Lt. Gantert, Sgt. Williams, Lopes, Russo & Officers LeRose, Mortara, Maher, Bobel, Lobraico

Officers are responsible for the operation and supervision of this vehicle during any emergency deployment or scheduled event where this vehicle can be utilized.

Detective Captain Weston recently purchased a Nextel Cell phone that is dedicated to the MOC and has been placed within the vehicle for emergency use.

Deployment:

None



Lieutenant Peter F. Gantert

Community Services Division

**Contact Information for The Community Services Division of the
Danbury Police Department**

Community Services Division: Commanding Officer:

Lieutenant Peter F. Gantert (203.797.4577)

<u>Community Affairs Unit:</u>	<u>Information Systems Unit</u>
Officer Jay Mortara (797.4644)	Officer Steven Bobel (796.1564)
<u>Police Activities League:</u>	<u>Communications/ Fleet Maintenance</u>
Sergeant Robert Guerrero (778.4PAL)	Sgt Joseph Brunelli (797.4673)
<u>Community Policing Unit</u>	<u>Victim Advocate Law Enforcement</u>
Sgt Jonas Karcz (796.1635)	Advocate Sheree Surdam (796.8017)
<u>Taskforce Against Graffiti Coordinator</u>	<u>Honor Guard</u>
Officer Kenneth Utter (796.1662)	Sergeant J. Brian Murphy (797.4611)
<u>Mobile Operations Center Team</u>	<u>Recruiting</u>
Lt Peter Gantert (797.4577)	Officer Jay Mortara (797.4644)
<u>School Crossing Guards</u>	<u>Child Passenger Safety Team</u>
Sergeant Joseph Brunelli (797.4673)	Officer Jay Mortara (797.4644)
<u>Citizen Police Academy Coordinator</u>	<u>CityCenter Liaison</u>
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