

Lexington Division of Police

2007 Annual Report



Solving **Cold Cases**

MAJOR CRIME COLD CASE UNIT

- *Record Low Crime Totals*
- *An Award Winning Year*

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Solving COLD CASES

MAJOR CRIME COLD CASE UNIT

In June 2005 the Division received a grant for \$150,000 to pay personnel overtime to investigate unsolved major crime cases. The grant funds a part-time prosecutor, training for officers, travel expenses, evidence testing and equipment. This grant has been extended until June 2009.

In July 2007 the Major Crime Cold Case Unit was created within the Personal Crimes Section. This unit has one full-time investigator. Additionally, a Cold Case Task Force was formed to combine experts from several different fields to examine cold cases. The task force is comprised of a prosecutor from the Fayette County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, three retired forensic experts from the Kentucky State Police (KSP) Crime Lab, two crime victim advocates, a forensic medical examiner from the KSP Crime Lab and the Division's cold case investigator, Detective Chris Schoonover.

Currently old major violent crime cases are being reviewed for follow-up investigation. Several cases have already been solved, which clearly identifies the need for this type of review. The advancements in DNA and other fields have produced multiple avenues for follow-up investigation.

Examples of a few notable cases:

- Robert Smallwood committed violent crimes for at least 14 years. He was charged with killing three females over a six year period, as well as, with breaking into an elderly woman's home in 1992 and raping her. Robert Smallwood pleaded guilty to his charges and was sentenced to life without the possibility of parole.
- Trevor Johnson has been charged in Fayette County for two separate violent rapes, and linked by DNA to a total of five rapes in three counties. These rapes occurred during a seven year time frame in the 1990's. Trevor Johnson pleaded guilty to his charges and has been sentenced to 70 years.
- Aairon Johnson is another violent crime offender who has been identified through DNA. He has been charged with murder, multiple other offenses and is presently awaiting trial.

The suspects are serial violent crime offenders. These type of suspects are the most vicious and dangerous in our society. The investigation of violent cold cases is a significant and progressive step in making our community a safer place.

The following solved cases have been attributed to Cold Case Grant activity:

Victim: Female Adult — 05/07/1993

Suspect: Robert F. Smallwood

Charges: Rape 1st, Sodomy 1st, Robbery 1st and Burglary 1st

Victim: Doris A. Roberts — 12/22/1999

Suspect: Robert F. Smallwood, Charge: Murder

Victim: Sonora L. Allen — 08/15/2002

Suspect: Robert F. Smallwood, Charge: Murder

Victim: Erica C. Butler — 04/04/2006

Suspect: Robert F. Smallwood, Charges: Murder, Rape 1st

Victim: Female Adult — 04/26/1996

Suspect: Aairon L. Johnson, Charge: Burglary 1st

Victim: Female Adult — 05/12/1996

Suspect: Aairon L. Johnson

Charges: Sodomy 1st, Burglary 1st

Victim: Female Adult — 06/26/1996

Suspect: Aairon L. Johnson

Charges: Rape 1st, Burglary 1st

Victim: Suzanne Stoffles — 11/05/1997

Suspect: Aairon L. Johnson

Charges: Murder, Abuse of a Corpse

Victim: Female Adult — 08/01/1993

Suspect: Trevor D. Johnson

Charges: Rape 1st, Assault 2nd

Suspect has been DNA linked to 5 separate rapes in 3 counties

Victim: Female Adult — 12/09/1993

Suspect: Trevor D. Johnson

Charges: Rape 1st, Kidnapping, Robbery 1st

Suspect has been DNA linked to 5 separate rapes in 3 counties

Victim: Female Adult — Rape 12/15/1988

Suspect: Earl W. Warner

Charges: Rape 1st, Burglary 1st

Victim: Steven Fox — 03/31/1997

Suspect: Aaron L. Rivers, Charge: Murder

Victim: Female Adult — 07/24/1997

Suspect: Ondra L. Clay

Charges: Rape 1st, Sodomy 1st

Victim: Female Adult — 09/27/1998

Suspect: Jerry L. Guy, Charge: Rape 1st

Victim: Jermain Harris — 06/24/2001

Suspect: Kareem M. Edwards, Charge: Murder

Victim: Stephen M. Dotson — 02/23/2004

Suspect: Keita Hayden, Charge: Murder

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Chief of Police

Ronnie Bastin

Chief Bastin is a 1978 graduate of the University of Kentucky with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Economics. In 1982, he earned a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Eastern Kentucky University.

He has held every rank within the Division of Police and was appointed Chief of Police on January 7, 2008.

Chief Bastin coordinated two outstanding programs that garnered national and international recognition. The Advanced Language Program was honored by the International Association of Chiefs of Police in 2002 when the Division received the prestigious Webber Seavey Award for Quality in Law Enforcement.

The second program guided by Chief Bastin is the Division's Minority Recruitment Program. It was selected as a model recruiting program by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.

Chief Bastin has received numerous awards and commendations during his career, including the Lexington Division of Police Distinguished Service Award, which was presented to him at the 2006 Police Awards Banquet.



2007 marked an end of an era within the Division of Police. Police Chief Anthony Beatty retired after 34 years of distinguished service, worthy of much recognition and accolades. He was Chief of Police for over six years and numerous Division accomplishments and achievements occurred under his tenure, including many during the year 2007.

As a result of significant grant funding, a Cold Case Unit was created and the Division participated in a Cold Case Task Force that identified suspects in several unsolved serious crimes in Lexington. The arrest of these suspects helped to make Lexington a safer place to live and work.

The number of Part I crimes (homicide, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, auto theft, arson, manslaughter and larceny) reported in Lexington-Fayette County was the lowest in 33 years, despite the significant increases in population. Decreases in reports of burglary, larceny and auto theft were big contributors to this lower overall number. There are several reasons for this historic decline including good relationships between the community and criminal justice agencies as well as the combined efforts of criminal justice partners working together to reduce criminal incidents.

The men and women who work in the Division of Police achieved many successes during the year. Personnel in various units competed in and represented Lexington well in several competitions locally, regionally and nationally. The Division of Police received its fifth national accreditation award from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) and became one of only two agencies to receive a "Flagship Agency" designation twice from this accreditation body. Lexington police recruits may now obtain an Associate's Degree after completing the Division's basic training academy which includes college level courses coupled with required law enforcement training to give officers the needed hours for the Associate's Degree. This will increase the already high level (48%) of college graduates within the Division of Police.

My goal is to provide for a great quality of life for Lexington by offering exemplary customer service to its citizens, improving the efficiency of the Division of Police so we work smarter for the community, increasing employee satisfaction so people look forward to coming to work and providing the kind of positive leadership that will help us advance as an agency.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ronnie Bastin'.

Ronnie Bastin
Chief of Police

Bureau of Investigation

The Bureau of Investigation is responsible for investigating unsolved crimes and the forensic processing of crime scenes. There are five sections within the Bureau of Investigation: **Personal Crimes, Property Crimes, Family Abuse, Special Investigations, and Investigative Support.** Detectives investigate a wide variety of crimes including alcohol and drug related crimes, computer/Internet crimes, financial crimes, property crimes and violent crimes. Specializing in various fields, detectives investigate offenses including burglary, elder abuse, Internet exploitation of children and sexual abuse.

Personal Crimes Section

The Personal Crimes Section consists of four units: **Homicide Unit, Robbery Unit, Sexual Assault Unit and Cold Case Unit.** The Personal Crimes Section is responsible for investigating any crime that is directed at a person with the exception of cases involving abuse of a child, spouse, or family member.

Property Crimes Section

The Property Crimes Section is responsible for investigating all property related crimes including commercial burglary, residential burglary, motor vehicle theft, thefts from motor vehicles, fraud, forgery and Internet related theft or fraud. Personnel in the section also investigate computer-related crimes such as Internet fraud, forgery and child pornography. The **Computer Forensics Unit** examines computer hardware and software for evidence of financial crimes, document forgery and illegal pornographic images.

Family Abuse Section

The Family Abuse Section consists of three units: **Crimes Against Children Unit (C.A.C.U.), Domestic Violence Unit, and Elder and Mental Abuse Unit.** The Crimes Against Children Unit is responsible for investigating crime that occurs in Fayette County where the victim is less than eighteen years old. The unit investigated 294 cases of child sexual abuse.

As part of a national effort to combat the increasing problem of on-line solicitation and child pornography, the United States Attorney's Office implemented a new initiative called "Project Safe Childhood". To assist with this effort, the C.A.C.U. collaborated with the U.S. Attorney's Office - Eastern District, as well as other law enforcement agencies associated with the Kentucky Internet Crimes Task Force, in a joint enterprise to increase sentencing for convicted offenders within the federal justice system. As participating members, C.A.C.U. personnel received joint training on federal prosecution of offenders at the National Advocacy Center in Columbia, SC and in St. Louis, MO. To further this initiative, three detectives from the Family

Abuse Section have been appointed as Special Deputy United States Marshals. These appointments have enabled the unit to increase the scope of investigations and to apprehend offenders who may travel to Fayette County to harm a child whom they have had previous contact with via the Internet. These investigations have resulted in charges against several offenders from nearby jurisdictions as well as the seizure of thousands of images of child pornography, and computer related equipment used in the commission of these crimes.

Special Investigations Section

The Special Investigations Section is responsible for investigating alcohol, drug and vice offenses as well as gathering and maintaining intelligence on gangs and criminal syndicates. In recognition of the effect that alcohol and drug usage has on the community, investigators spend considerable hours presenting information and attending neighborhood meetings. The section's focus is on educating children and adults of Fayette and surrounding counties.

The **Alcohol Beverage Control Unit** conducts responsible server training for persons serving or selling alcoholic beverages in retail establishments and reviews licenses of retail establishments. The **Narcotics Enforcement Unit** conducts investigations into the illegal use, sale and/or possession of controlled substances, which led to the seizures of over \$12,000,000 in illicit substances and 462 arrests.

The bureau has established partnerships with investigators from municipal, state and federal agencies including the Kentucky State Police Crime Lab. These partnerships enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the investigative powers of the Division of Police.

Crime data collected through the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) is one of the measures used to determine the effectiveness of local law enforcement. UCR data is used extensively by researchers, government agencies and the media for research and planning purposes. Law enforcement agencies across the nation recorded an average crime index clearance rate of approximately 22%. In Lexington, the clearance rate for reported Part I Crimes in 2007 was 29.7%.

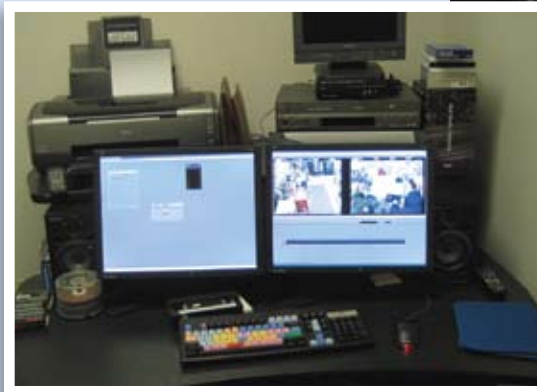
Investigative Support Section

The Bureau of Investigation added several new tools to help personnel in the Investigative Support Section. The computer based system developed by AVID Technology and Ocean Systems is a forensic video system, which allows investigators to thoroughly explore digital imagery. It provides the trained investigator or analyst with a multitude of investigative options while working with surveillance video. Some of the available options include: the ability to capture, process, and output uncompressed video in real time; de-

The Special Investigations Section teaches drug education and awareness to both children and adults of Fayette County and surrounding counties.

multiplex and isolate cameras on security tapes; clarify and enhance dark or noisy video; highlight and track suspects; and reveal hidden details.

In addition to the AVID system, the **Forensic Services Unit** added a CyanoSafe™ Filtered Cyanoacrylate Fuming Chamber, which is designed to safely and effectively process evidentiary items. It provides a controlled environment for processing latent fingerprints on most nonporous surfaces while eliminating exposure to hazardous fumes.



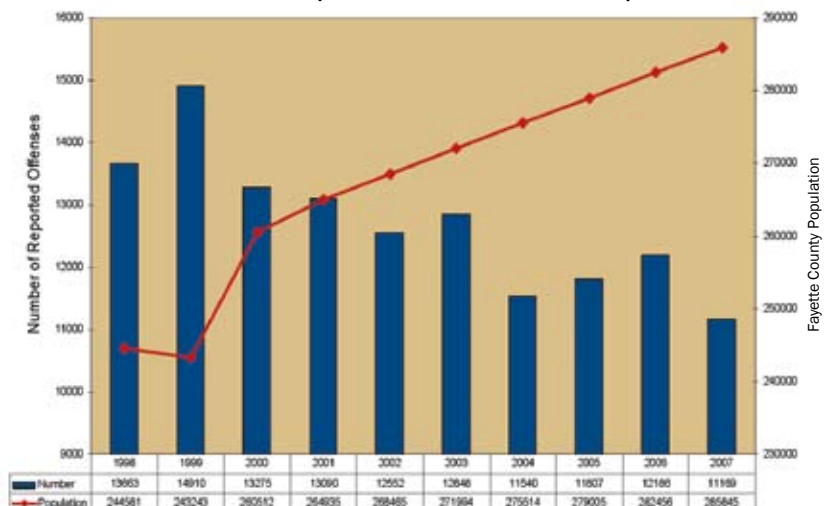
Part I Crime Totals Lowest in 30 Years

The combined rate of major crimes including homicide, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, auto theft, arson, manslaughter, and larceny is the lowest it has been in 33 years. The rate is not adjusted for population, so even though the city has grown dramatically since the 70s, the rate of major crimes, also called Part I crimes, is lower in 2007 than in 1974. The rate plummeted 8.4% in 2007 alone. Looking back to 2000, the numbers show that even though the population has increased by approximately 25,000 residents, the number of major crimes committed in Lexington has consistently decreased. In that same time frame, the crime clearance rate has been consistently higher than the national average. This decrease is due to many factors, which include positive community relationships and work with and by criminal justice community partners.

Uniform Crime Reported Offenses 1990 - 2007



1998 - 2007 Comparison of UCR Offenses to Population



Bureau of Patrol

Central Sector

Central Sector continued their community-based policing philosophy by working with neighborhood associations, property owners and members of the community to identify and formulate plans regarding issues in the sector. Walking beats, bicycle and Segway patrols in special assignments were a priority for reducing crime and providing a visible presence in the area. Joint efforts with other Urban County Government Divisions including Code Enforcement, Planning and Engineering along with the Lexington Housing Authority, Habitat for Humanity and the Downtown Lexington Corporation were very successful. Ongoing efforts by these partners contributed to the 9.34% decrease in Part I Crime that the Central Sector experienced for the year. Homicides were reduced by four, rapes by 17, auto thefts by 32 and larceny was significantly decreased by 292 offenses.

Central Sector continued to benefit from the Planning Commission's decision to not expand the Urban Services Area but to instead increase development inside the existing Urban Services Area. The development boom has been significant with housing developments fully completed or in the process of being built throughout the area. Some notable developments are:

- 500 West Main Street
- Bluegrass and Aspendale
- Kimball House - 200 block of South Limestone
- West Main Street and Old Georgetown

- East Main Street and Elm Tree Lane
- Nunn Building - North Martin Luther King Boulevard
- Old Georgetown and Ballard Street
- 250 South Martin Luther King Boulevard

The city of Lexington will benefit from this residential development. As citizens return to the downtown area, this may boost existing retail and entertainment establishments. The development boom also contributed to the removal of some deteriorated properties that attracted crime, depressed property values and created public health hazards.

East Sector

East Sector experienced an 11.29% decrease in Part I Crimes compared to the previous year. This decrease is attributed to several factors, including increased staffing of patrol officers and the community based policing philosophy where the community and police work together to analyze community problems and develop customized responses to incidents in an effort to prevent crime and create a safer environment for citizens.

With the increase of staff levels, platoon lieutenants had the ability to proactively address problems and concerns within the East Sector community. Examples of proactive patrols include: walking beats, bicycle and Segway patrols, as well as the utilization of the Mounted Unit. Additional initiatives included attention to larceny from autos and burglary prevention/reduction efforts.

Statistical data was gathered and reviewed through crime analysis tracking occurrences, dates and times of incidents. This allowed officers to focus enforcement and surveillance efforts in the designated geographical areas utilizing criminal indicators or suspect information. This approach led to a 13% decrease in reported burglary offenses and a 27% decrease in larceny from autos as compared to 2006.



West Sector

West Sector personnel utilized a variety of patrol methods including walking beats, high and low visibility patrol, bicycle patrol, other units within the Division and outside organizations to contribute to the reduction of Part I Crime.

Sector personnel responded to 60,774 calls for service, took 9,599 reports (crime and collision), made 5,101 felony and misdemeanor arrests and issued 14,401 moving hazardous violations and wrote 2,140 warning notices.

Officers worked with several outside agencies to address quality of life issues in the sector:

Overgrown brush and trees were removed from:

- Areas near railroad tracks at South Broadway and Hayman Avenue to the 600 block of DeRoode Street.

Inspections for code violations and nuisance issues:

- Ingleside Mobile Home Park - Gibson Avenue
- Trailer park at 4130 Georgetown Road
- Trailer park behind 1510 Versailles Road
- 589 notices were issued
- 32 trailers were condemned and demolished
- 21 junk vehicles were removed
- 18 abatements for nuisance were issued



In August, the Day's Motel at 1500 Versailles Road was inspected and closed for numerous fire hazards and code violations. The business reopened in October after completely renovating the motel rooms.



West Sector worked closely with the CLEAR Unit, the Traffic Section and the Division of Code Enforcement to address enforcement and traffic issues around the neighborhoods bordering the University of Kentucky during home football games. This initiative resulted in numerous positive praise and thank you letters from patrons attending the ball games, as well as from local residents and community leaders.

World Police and Fire Games

Lexington Division of Police Officers Varinka Barbini and Lisa Rakes competed in the World Police and Fire Games in Adelaide, Australia. This prestigious international competition showcases the athleticism and fitness levels of some of the world's most physically fit law enforcement officers and firefighters.



Officer Lisa Rakes (right in photo) of the Mounted Patrol Unit competed in the following events and finished as follows:

1. Toughest Competitor Alive (5K cross country, shot put, 100m dash, rope climb, weight lifting, pull-ups, and obstacle course - all in one day): Gold
2. Bench Press: Gold
3. 400m Freestyle Swim: Gold
4. 800m Freestyle Swim: Silver
5. Biathlon Team Event (handgun, interspersed with 3 one-mile runs): Silver
6. Biathlon Individual Event (handgun, interspersed with 3 one-mile runs): Gold

Officer Varinka Barbini of the Bureau of Patrol competed and finished as follows:

1. 10K Cross Country: Silver
2. 5K Track: 4th place
3. 1500m Run: Silver
4. Bench Press: Gold

Both officers were excellent ambassadors for the city of Lexington and the Division of Police. We congratulate their hard work and outstanding accomplishments. Their participation was made possible and sponsored by the generous support of several local groups, businesses and individuals.

Bureau of **Special Operations**

Operational Support Section

The **Air Support Unit (ASU)** is comprised of three full-time pilots whose primary responsibility is to safely deploy the Division's two Bell OH-58 helicopters. Two Tactical Flight Officers serve as aerial observers to coordinate and communicate with ground units.

The Division's second aircraft "Air 2" entered into service and began flying missions as a backup aircraft. Improvements to "Air 2" included additional radios for communication with air traffic control, police dispatch and ground units and adding high skids to the aircraft.

In May 2007 the Air Support Unit was privileged to serve as a close support aircraft for Queen Elizabeth II's visit to the Kentucky Derby. "Air 1" and its crew trained with the United States Secret Service for the mission, which included providing security for the helicopter designated to fly the Queen to and from the Derby.

The ASU flew over 300 hours in support and exceeded its goal of a rapid thirty-minute response time to unscheduled unit call outs.

Statistics:

Calls for Service Answered	245
Felony Arrest Assists	19
Misdemeanor Arrest Assists	15
Unscheduled Unit Call Outs.....	45



The **Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU)** responded to 68 incidents, a 58% increase from 2006, including: 22 explosives recoveries and destructions, one major fireworks disposal, 18 suspicious packages and bomb threats, four devices, five technical robot assists and six protective details. To prepare for the 2010 World Equestrian Games, the HDU worked four major events including Thunder Over Louisville, the Kentucky Oaks, the Kentucky Derby and the Rolex Three-Day Event.

As members of the ATF's Kentucky Explosive Incident Response Task Force (KEITF), officers are sworn Special Deputy US Marshals and have federal authority and jurisdiction when responding as part of the task force. In conjunction with the KEITF, HDU provided services on 20 occasions in nine counties across central and eastern Kentucky, and one county in southern Indiana.

The HDU achieved reaccreditation as a bomb squad by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The process involved an inspection by an FBI Special Agent Bomb Technician and the commander of another accredited bomb squad. FBI accreditation is valid for five years.

Significant Incidents:

On June 18, 2007, HDU provided robot support for a barricaded subject in Floyd County, Indiana. Due to extraneous circumstances, the Lexington Police HDU robot was the closest available to the incident. The suspect shot two sheriff deputies with a high-powered rifle; killing one, and barricaded himself inside his residence. Three officers responded and utilized the robot to enter the residence and locate the deceased suspect without risking a tactical entry by teams on scene.

On June 31, 2007, the HDU responded to a private residence near Nicholasville Road for a reported destructive device found in the residence. However, during a subsequent consent search of the residence, officers encountered a clandestine explosives laboratory in the basement. An interview of the occupant revealed that the chemicals had been used by her deceased

husband and deceased son approximately 20 years ago. Multiple containers of deteriorated chemicals and explosive mixtures were present in the lab. The incident was resolved through the combined efforts of the Hazardous Devices Unit, the ATF, and the Lexington Fire Department Hazardous Materials Unit. The Northern Kentucky Regional Hazardous Materials Team, the US Army 41 CST in Louisville, and the University of Kentucky provided additional assistance. One vial of an extremely sensitive explosive material was detonated in the front yard of the residence. Several containers of potentially explosive materials were transported by the HDU and exploded off-site. Using an exemplary unified command structure and interagency cooperation, the incident was safely resolved with no injury or property damage.



The **Mounted Unit** received eight 2007 Ford F-250 trucks, which enabled officers the ability to pull the units' two-horse and four-horse trailers. The trucks allow more officers to be deployed to various sections of the community and not be limited to the downtown. To ensure full staffing, the unit purchased one horse and another was donated. The Mounted Unit is extremely beneficial for the Division when working around large crowds. It is easier for the officer to see activity within a crowd of people while sitting atop their mount.

The unit assisted in 46 special assignments including the Fourth of July celebration, UK Football games, the Sweet Sixteen Basketball Tournament and assisted the Louisville Metro Police with crowd security at the Kentucky Derby. The unit participated in several parades and was asked to participate in the Governor's Inaugural Parade. Multiple groups and schools requested on-site demonstrations.

A safe community is the number one priority of the Mounted Unit. Officers assigned to the unit must first learn to be safe themselves while atop their mount. Officers undergo a lengthy in-house training regimen before riding in the streets. They continue training by attending a two-week training seminar hosted by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Officers Rob Moore and Ray Alexander enhanced their abilities by successfully completing this training. Officers David Johnson and Lisa Rakes attended a three-day Large Animal Rescue class conducted at the Kentucky Horse Park. Several members of the unit attended Karen Scholl's Natural Horsemanship Clinic to enhance basic riding skills.

The Mounted Unit hosted the 24th Annual Mounted Police Colloquium at the Kentucky Horse Park in October. This annual event brought in 100 horses and riders from all over the United States and Canada to participate in a two-day training session, which was conducted by instructors from

the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Toronto Police Service. On the third day, participants competed in basic equitation, individual and team obstacle events. The unit attends competitions each year to evaluate its skills compared to other mounted units throughout the U.S. Competition also serves as a time to build camaraderie and share training techniques with experts.



3rd Annual Michigan State Police Equitation Competition

Officer Ray Alexander and Paco:
3rd Place Uniform Appearance
7th Place Team Obstacle

Officer David Johnson and Jester:
1st Place Team Obstacle
1st Place Combined Obstacle & Equitation
2nd Place Individual Obstacle
4th Place Equitation

Officer Lisa Rakes and Jake:
1st Place Team Obstacle
2nd Place Equitation
6th Place Individual Obstacle



The Division of Police took an affirmative step to combat crime issues and increase response to community needs when the **Community Law Enforcement Action Response Unit (CLEAR)** was created. It has been able to bridge the gap between innovative law enforcement techniques and community relations. The CLEAR Unit's mission statement is based on three distinct policing concepts: proactive law enforcement, problem orientated policing and community involved policing. The unit concentrates its efforts in specific neighborhoods by providing both a permanent daytime presence and nighttime patrols. The unit primarily serves the following areas: Cardinal Valley, Winburn and Hollow Creek, Woodhill, Centre Parkway, Downtown, Eastland and areas surrounding the University of Kentucky. The ability to be flexible and effective allows the unit to provide service to other neighborhoods in Lexington as needed.

The unit consists of two distinct sections: the Neighborhood Coordinators and the Neighborhood Response Officers.

The Neighborhood Coordinators focus their efforts on citizen complaints and quality of life issues. They also work closely with other entities within local and state government to address various issues in their assigned neighborhoods via the development of social programs and community involvement.

The Neighborhood Response Officers address crime trends and patterns via the use of directed patrols and proactive crime reduction techniques. These officers concentrate their efforts on identifying and apprehending criminals, with emphasis given to criminal street gang activities and street level drug offenders.

While these two sections appear to have notably different techniques, they achieve the

same results; which is to make Lexington a safer place to live. The unit also works closely with other bureaus and sections within the Division, and outside law enforcement agencies to ensure all available resources are utilized to address crime trends and serve the community.

The CLEAR Unit is frequently used to address special events that require a concise, professional effort. For example, the unit was tasked with responding to issues surrounding the University of Kentucky football games and the effects on surrounding neighborhoods. The concerns voiced by residents regarding criminal activity occurring both before and after the games were dealt with quickly and thoroughly. CLEAR officers took an active roll in addressing these concerns. With the assistance of various governmental agencies, criminal issues were curtailed and many times completely abated. Based on the overall outcome of this operation, officers received numerous letters of appreciation and phone calls thanking them for their efforts.

Due to the past success of the CLEAR Unit and with community support, the unit doubled its size in 2007. The unit now has nine Neighborhood Coordinators and eighteen Neighborhood Response Officers.

The
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Patrol officers assigned to the **Canine Unit** were deployed 309 times. They conducted 173 building searches, 136 tracks, and assisted in the arrests of 13 suspects. One apprehension ended with a bite from a K9, which represented a bite to deployment ratio of .122%. In addition, public demonstrations for 3,000 people were conducted.

Narcotics detection canine teams deployed 226 times resulting in the recovery of 200 kilograms of marijuana, 16 kilograms of cocaine, 237 grams of crack cocaine, 12 firearms and \$188,000. Officer Whittlesey conducted 11 explosive searches with his K9 partner "Zack".

USPCA Region 5 Patrol Dog I Competition

Officer Hicks & K9 "Jake"
8th Overall
1st Overall Vehicle Narcotics Search
4th Suspect Search
9th Criminal Apprehension

Officer Karsner & K9 "Ronin"
9th Overall
12th Criminal Apprehension

Officer Burnette & K9 "Rossi"
13th Overall
14th Criminal Apprehension

Officer Greathouse & K9 "Zambo"
20th Overall
3rd Agility & Article Search

Officer Slark & K9 "Blitz"
22nd Overall
1st Tracking
3rd Suspect Search
7th Criminal Apprehension

Officer Stiltner & K9 "Hank"
5th Suspect Search

Patrol and narcotics canine teams are certified by the United States Police Canine Association. Canine teams achieved a high enough score in the USPCA Region 5 Patrol Dog I Competition to allow them to attend the National Certification process in Lakeland, Florida. The Division sent three canine teams and all three teams earned National certification. The Canine Unit received a Unit Citation for its performance at the USPCA Region 5 certifications thus making this the unit's best overall performance in the past fifteen years.

Officer Whittlesey and his K9 partner "Zack" finished first in the inside explosive search during the USPCA Region 5 explosive K9 certifications. He was invited to be an assistant instructor to sixteen new police canine teams at the Top Dog Police Canine Training Academy in Evansville, Indiana.

The unit was issued a marked Ford Expedition, which was outfitted for canine use and large enough to carry equipment necessary to train explosive and narcotics detection canines.

The Canine Unit added a handler and cross trained five patrol canines to detect narcotics. Two canine teams were assigned to work second shift hours, with one of the teams cross-trained for patrol and narcotics detection which decreased response times.



Community Services Section

The Community Services Section conducts a wide range of programs to prevent crime in the city of Lexington. Crime reduction and safety programs are frequently requested by citizens and groups.

Lexington Division of Police Officer Steven Gaunce became the Kentucky State Project Lifesaver Coordinator. **Project Lifesaver** is an active system that relies on state-of-the-art technology and specially trained search and rescue (SAR) teams from LFUCG fire, police and sheriff's personnel. People in the program wear a personalized bracelet that emits a tracking signal. When caregivers notify agencies that the person is missing, a SAR team responds to the area and starts searching with the mobile locator tracking system. Currently there are 30 police officers and two sheriff deputies certified as operators. Their response is aided by the Air Support Unit. There are currently 17 citizens enrolled in the program. There were 11 call-outs in 2007 with an average location success time of 20 minutes.

The **Crime Free Multi-Housing Program** is very popular. The apartment community throughout Lexington has continued to be committed to making their communities safe. Through the dedicated partnership of the Lexington Apartment Association and Brenda Wells, Executive Vice President, our program continues to grow and serves as a model for other cities throughout Kentucky. Over 700 citizens, including 230 apartment community representatives, have participated.

Keepin' the Peace is aired over thirty times a month featuring the Lexington Division of Police on GTV-3. The co-hosts are Assistant Chief James Jackson and Officer Debbie Wagner. They take viewers behind-the-scenes at the Division. The program also includes safety tips for the public. The popular program began February 2001 and has aired over 52 different episodes. Visit the website for the TV schedule at <http://www.lfucg.com/Vidserv/KeepinthePeace.asp>.

The **Citizen Police Academy** has been one of the most popular programs in the Division since 1997. Over 1,160 citizens have graduated from the Citizen Police Academy. The citizens of Lexington are our most valuable asset and we appreciate their commitment to the Division of Police.

The **Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association** Board of Directors continues to lead our ongoing citizen partnership with the Division of Police, including participating in the following activities:

- Police Chili Cook-off
- Promotion/Recruitment
- Police Appreciation Cookout
- Continuing Education
- Monthly meetings/newsletters
- The Police Trading Card Program
- Fundraisers
- Packages to support Officers in Iraq
- Social gatherings
- Officer of the Month Program

The Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association hosted Dr. Emily Craig of the Kentucky Medical Examiner's Office. Over 200 CPA participants and police officers attended the event.



Seventy citizens participated in the sixth **Citizen Police Academy Master Program**. This program encourages additional dialogue between police and citizens, which increases understanding of problems and solutions. Classes include diversity training, emergency readiness, personal safety and the duties of the police.



The **Safety City** program has served the children of Fayette County for many years and it shows no signs of slowing down. Officer Anthony Ratliff and Officer Brian Wallace teach second grade children a variety of topics that include pedestrian and bicycle safety, stranger danger, and fire, water and gun safety. There is even a hydraulic seat that the children sit on to show them the importance of seat belt usage.

Safety City's education programs served 3,564 public and private school children in 2007, an increase of 1,033 children over 2006. The enjoyment of driving a battery powered mini-car is one of the many hands-on activities that are used to enhance personal safety. The Fayette County School system and the Lexington Division of Police are working together to make safety a top priority for the children of Lexington.

Beginning in March 2007, Windstream Corporate initiated a refurbishing project of Safety City with joint participation of the Lexington Home Builders Association, Fifth Third Bank and McDonald's. Because of this united effort, all "city structures" were repainted and repaired and several cars were refurbished.

The **D.A.R.E.** program targets Fayette County 5th and 8th grade students. The D.A.R.E. 5th grade core curriculum is a 10-week program with two optional lessons focusing on each community's needs. There is a graduation ceremony for students who successfully complete the program. The D.A.R.E. core curriculum for the 8th grade is a six-week program. D.A.R.E. is taught in both public and private schools. A total of 1,972 lessons were taught and over 9,000 students participated.

Explorer Post 357 program targets youth from 14-21 years of age that have an interest in law enforcement. The Explorer program trains each cadet in traffic control, first aid and bicycle safety. The Explorers have a rank and file system in place from chief to cadet with uniforms given to each person after a three-month probationary period. There were 24 members with four sworn police officers who oversee the program.

The **Junior Citizen Police Academy** is designed to educate youth on the role of police officers. During the summer two groups of 30 children ages 10-13 from Fayette County participated in our Junior Citizen Police Academy five-day camp. Police officers and firefighters provided tours and demonstrated their skills and training techniques. Participants enjoyed numerous simulated activities including patrol, traffic stops, building searches, making arrests and hosting a mock trial. The Division of Police believes that enriched education and a better understanding of the system will provide youth with positive decision-making skills.

The **Police Activities League of Lexington (PAL)** was founded in 1985 as a crime prevention program that relies on recreation, athletic and educational activities to build positive relationships between police officers, youth and the community. The mission of Lexington PAL is to reduce juvenile crime and delinquency by uniting law enforcement officers and youth.

Lexington PAL continues to be a member of the National Police Athletic/Activities Association. Safety Officer Connie Rayford, with our local PAL chapter, serves on the National PAL Board of Directors as the Region 5 Chairperson. This has allowed our chapter to be active on local, regional and national levels. Lexington PAL currently offers the following activities: PAL Youth Leadership Programs, Mustang Troop, cheerleading, girls softball, T-ball, baseball, basketball, football, Girls Club (Girls for Christ), Boys Club (United2K4Soldiers), Express Yourself Writing Club, educational field trips, summer camps and many other after school activities.

The Lexington PAL/Kentucky Horse Park Mustang Troop was featured in the April 2007 Reader's Digest Magazine chronicling this group's accomplishments.



The **School Liaison Unit (SLU)** continued to place the highest degree of emphasis on providing the safest environment possible for students, teachers, administrators and staff at each of the public and private schools in Fayette County. Officers concentrate on bus stop safety related issues, truancy and missing children calls. However, the primary responsibility is to investigate issues that may potentially impact the safety of everyone on the school campus or the tranquility of surrounding neighborhoods.

The SLU assisted in conducting lockdown drills for all public, elementary, middle and high schools in the county. It became apparent that some type of visual learning aid would greatly enhance the ability to convey information and to allow a better understanding of the role and responsibilities of school personnel during lockdown situations. With the assistance of Fayette County Public Schools television, it took four months to create an audiovisual presentation to address this need. This presentation has been used in numerous training sessions for university police, private school personnel, other city leaders and law enforcement as well as at the 13th Annual Safe Schools Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. The ability to convey the seriousness of school violence and the value of preparation and training is now easily grasped through the realism provided by the audiovisual training aid.

Numerous investigations were conducted by the unit into various types of criminal behavior. Numerous adults and juveniles were criminally charged as a result of burglary, criminal mischief, terroristic threatening, drug, and other investigations.



Traffic Section

The Traffic Section is responsible for a comprehensive Traffic Safety program for the Division of Police. That responsibility includes: traffic control and pedestrian safety at 130 special events; major sporting events for the University of Kentucky; a Traffic Enforcement initiative that is critical to the safe operation of motor vehicles in Fayette County; and a directed response to the complaints and concerns of our citizens.

The **Special Events Unit** is responsible for event planning and manpower allocation and the management of several Division grants and programs. These grants and programs include the Traffic Alcohol Program, Traffic Safety Seat Belt Grant, Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program and the Red Light Enforcement Grant. Other areas of responsibility include the Hit and Run Unit, Collision Reconstruction Unit, and the School Crossing Guards.

The **Hit and Run Unit** logged 2,655 hit and run collisions in Fayette County during 2007 and investigated and cleared 991 of these cases. The **Collision Reconstruction Unit** responded to and investigated thirty-eight significant injury collisions, twenty-five of which were fatal collisions. Our School Crossing coordinator is responsible for the safety of elementary, middle and high school students and the management of 67 school crossings guards throughout Fayette County.

The **Selective Enforcement Unit** consists of a sergeant and nine officers. The primary responsibility is enforcement of equipment violations and moving hazardous violations and responding to complaints from the Urban County Council and the public. This unit has been effective in reducing the speed of traffic on New Circle Road during "rush hour", addressing neighborhood traffic complaints and reducing the number of collisions at several identified locations within the boundaries of Fayette County. The Selective Enforcement Unit utilizes unmarked vehicles and motorcycles and is responsible

for training new motorcycle officers for the Division of Police and surrounding agencies. Our motorcycle certified instructors trained the first female motorcycle officer in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Officer Tembree Murphy.

The first and second shift **Traffic Safety** squads are responsible for handling collision reports, routine parking and traffic complaints and other traffic emergencies that may arise. These squads handled 1,158 funeral escorts, investigated 5,613 traffic collisions and assisted in 1,852 commercial vehicle inspections.



Bureau of Professional Standards

The Bureau of Professional Standards is composed of the **Planning & Analysis Section** and **Training Section**. To ensure law enforcement services are conducted in a professional manner, Planning & Analysis produces policies and procedures that represent the interests of the community and compliance with international and state law enforcement standards. The Training Section is responsible for the professional development of agency personnel through in-service and specialized training.

Planning & Analysis Section

The Planning & Analysis Section has administrative and support responsibilities that include international and state accreditation management, traffic collision analysis, crime analysis, web site management, graphic arts & printing, Federal Bureau of Investigation-Uniform Crime Reporting, data entry, policy writing, surveys and other support duties.

The Division of Police received its fifth CALEA accreditation award on November 17, 2007, in Colorado Springs, CO. Following the Division's August 2007 reaccreditation on-site assessment, CALEA awarded the Division a "Flagship Agency" designation due to its successful onsite assessment and commitment to CALEA accreditation. The Division of Police was one of only two agencies to receive this designation for a second time.

Training Section

Police recruiting officers participated in 20 job fairs in Kentucky, Ohio, Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri and North Carolina. The primary recruiting effort focused on colleges, military bases and public events. Advertising efforts included placing testing dates and academy information in more than ten publications and websites. These efforts resulted in 1,386 people expressing an interest in the Division.

The training staff continues to educate recruit police officers to increase the sworn strength of the Division. The basic skill areas taught to recruits by the training staff include defensive tactics, firearms, driving and traffic stops. Certified instructors handle specific topic areas of instruction. The Division currently has 100 instructors certified by the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council (KLEC) to assist with recruit, sworn and civilian training.

The Division entered into an agreement with Midway College to provide an Associate Degree for recruits that successfully complete the Lexington Division of Police Basic Training Academy.

The Training Section provides annual training to all sworn officers in the Division. The KLEC requires a minimum of 40 hours per year for sworn

officers to keep their state certification. The Training Section offered in-service classes that featured Leadership Training, Crime Prevention Techniques and Ground Avoidance/Ground Escape Training. Other specialized topics were offered in the areas of police cyclist and patrol rifle skills.

TASER User Certification was provided to all Division officers that wanted to attend. Twelve TASER User Classes were conducted and 200 officers were certified in the use of the TASER.

The Training Section maintains the Firearms Training Facility to train both recruit and sworn police officers. All officers must qualify with their weapons four times a year.

These qualifications include the use of assigned duty weapons, off-duty weapons, shotguns and rifles.

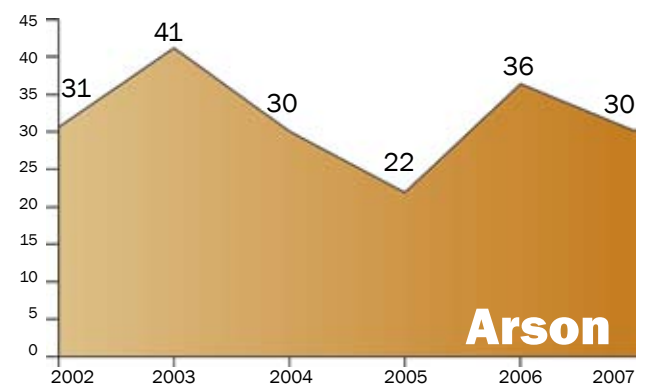
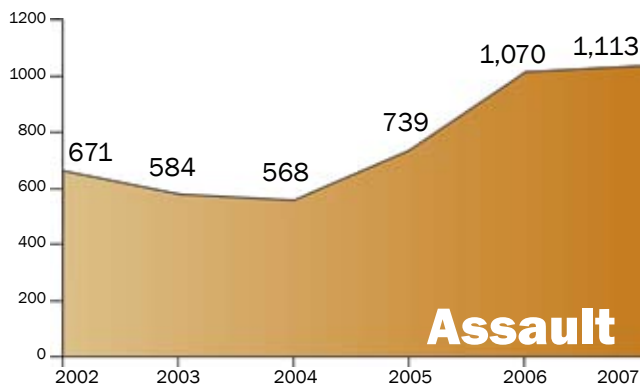
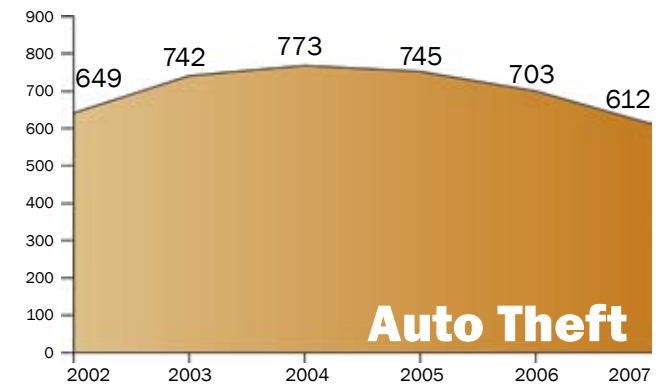
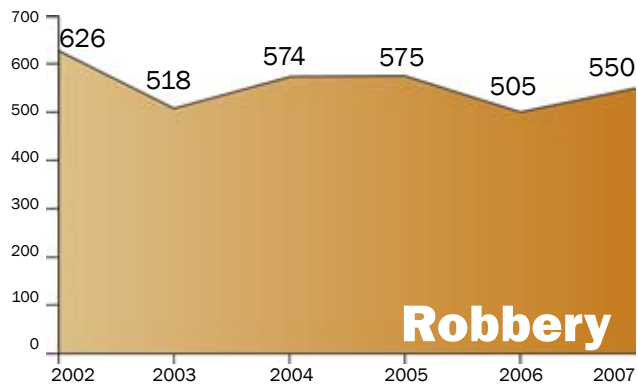
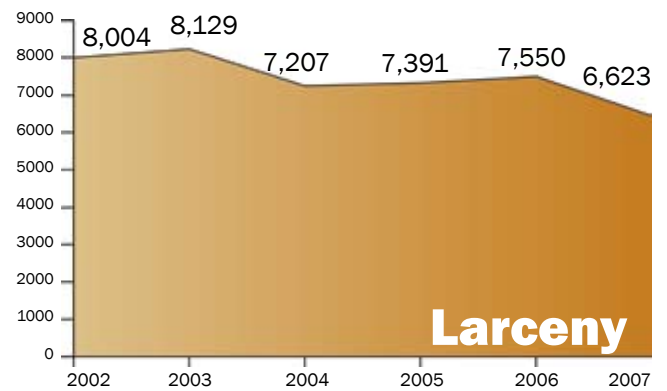
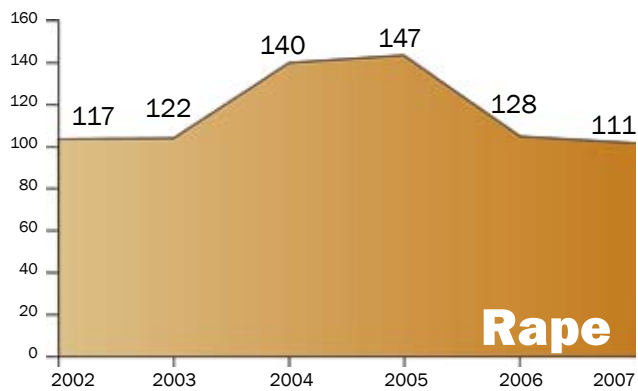
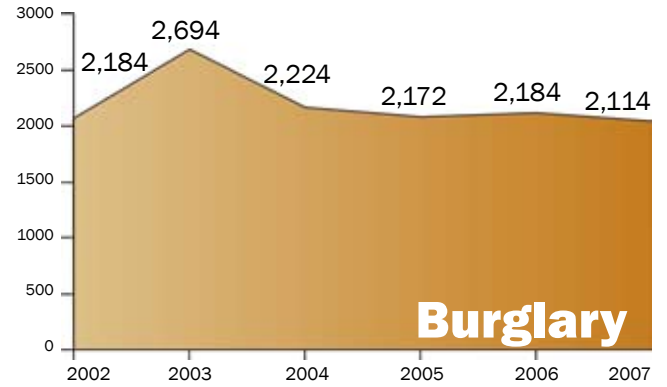
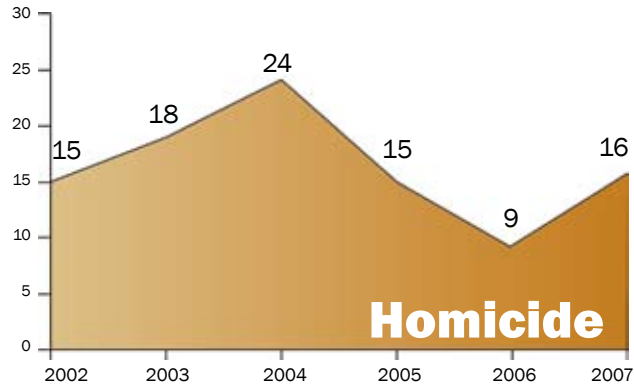
The Firearms Training Facility continued to be updated and modernized with the construction of a new range house that included a ten-person gun cleaning station. This new structure also provided much needed storage and office space.

The Division transitioned to new security holsters for the officers' duty weapons. The Training Section instructed over 300 officers on the operation of the Safariland ALS Holster. This training allowed officers several hundred repetitions in drawing their weapons from the new security holsters.

The range continues to be used by many outside agencies for training and qualifications. These agencies include the Kentucky State Police, Bluegrass Airport Department of Public Safety, Fayette County Sheriff's Office, Versailles Police Department, the DEA, U.S. Postal Inspectors, U.S. Marshals Service and the ATF. The Police Firearms Training Facility hosted the annual Crime Stoppers Shootout, which had over 100 participants shooting for "Top Gun". In addition, the Kentucky Tactical Officers Association utilized the Firearms Training Facility to host their first annual conference and competition. Over 150 tactical officers from Kentucky attended this inaugural event and complimented the Division on the recent renovations completed at the facility.



Part I Crime Statistics



There were zero Part I Crime Manslaughter Offenses for 2007. Statistics provided by the Planning and Analysis Section.
Figures are based on Uniform Crime Reporting Guidelines established by the U.S. Department of Justice.

Adult Arrest Statistics

Felony

2007	2,943
2006	3,018
2005	4,384
2004	3,749

Firearms

2007	350
2006	378
2005	376
2004	340

Alcohol Intoxication

2007	3,979
2006	4,273
2005	4,696
2004	5,634

Misdemeanor

2007	10,772
2006	8,916
2005	15,506
2004	10,128

Traffic Statistics

Collisions

2007	14,566
2006	15,034
2005	15,033
2004	15,052

Fatal Collisions/Fatalities

2007	24/26
2006	23/23
2005	31/35
2004	28/28

Injury Collisions

2007	2,235
2006	2,285
2005	2,387
2004	2,344

Alcohol Involved Collisions

2007	587
2006	547
2005	639
2004	608

Non-Injury Collisions

2007	12,331
2006	12,749
2005	12,646
2004	12,708

Traffic Citations

2007	65,255
2006	74,963
2005	67,487
2004	66,954

DUI

2007	2,235
2006	2,092
2005	2,125
2004	2,187

Uniform Crime Comparison

ACTUAL OFFENSES			NUM CHG.	% CHG.	OFFENSES CLEARED		% CLEARED 2007	% CHG.
	2006	2007			2006	2007		
HOMICIDE	9	16	+7	+77.78	12	14	+87.50	-45.83
MANSLAUGHTER	1	0	-1	-100.00	0	1	+100.00	+100.00
RAPE	128	111	-17	-13.28	71	55	+49.55	-5.92
ROBBERY	505	550	+45	+8.91	186	141	+25.64	-11.20
ASSAULT (Aggravated)	1,070	1,113	+43	+4.02	656	725	+65.14	+3.83
BURGLARY	2,184	2,114	-70	-3.21	368	346	+16.37	-0.48
LARCENY	7,550	6,623	-927	-12.28	1,954	1,853	+27.98	+2.10
AUTO THEFT	703	612	-91	-12.94	195	177	+28.92	+1.18
ARSON	36	30	-6	-16.67	7	5	+16.67	-2.78
TOTALS	12,186	11,169	-1,017	-8.35	3,449	3,317	+29.70	+1.40

Figures are based on Uniform Crime Reporting Guidelines established by the U.S. Department of Justice.
Cleared percentages may include cases initiated in a previous year and cleared in 2007.

Bureau of Administration

The Bureau of Administration is comprised of the **False Alarms Reduction, Central Records, Computer Information Systems, Personnel, Property & Evidence** and **Technical Services Units**. In addition to the aforementioned units, the **Chaplain's Office** is assigned to the bureau.

Administrative Section

Central Records Unit completed its transition from data entry to paperless entry of Complaint and Offense reports in 2007. Mobile Data Computers (MDC) were placed in cruisers for field reporting of collision reports, criminal complaints and E-Citations. Moving to paperless reporting has streamlined the data process and efficiency of record keeping.

The unit processed 46,524 traffic citations and 27,213 Complaint and Offense reports. The records custodian responded to 175 Open Records requests.

The **False Alarms Reduction Unit (FARU)** is responsible for implementing the conditions set forth in the Alarms Ordinance regarding burglar alarm operations. FARU monitors alarm users, regulates alarm companies and encourages responsible operations and proper use of alarm systems through Alarm User Awareness Training.

The goals of FARU are to improve public safety, to provide a quicker response to legitimate calls through the reduction or elimination of false alarm dispatch requests, which also results in significant savings for taxpayers. With the passing of the Alarm Ordinance in 2005, FARU collects annual permit fees, invoices fines for violators of the ordinance and enforces criminal penalties. Permit fees collected by the unit totaled more than \$125,000.

Promotions

Lieutenant Melissa Sedlaczek11/11/2007
Sergeant Brian Maynard.....01/08/2007
Sergeant Mark Brand11/11/2007

Retirements

Lieutenant Marvin Devers11/11/2007
Sergeant Bret Goode01/07/2007
Officer Kevin Patrick01/07/2007
Cindy Ewen05/31/2007
Susie Mosby04/01/2007
Patricia Mulhern.....12/31/2007
Jack Wilshire07/31/2007

Honor Guard

The Lexington Division of Police Honor Guard Unit presents the national colors in ceremonial events and parades. One of the most important duties that an Honor Guard undertakes is to honor fallen law enforcement personnel and provide military honors as needed.

The unit worked 37 details. These details included awards ceremonies, commendations, promotions and three Line of Duty death funerals.

In the past year, the unit acquired and refinished 10 M-1 Garand rifles from the Department of Defense and completed transitional training. The unit also purchased a ceremonial bugle for use at funerals.

The Honor Guard conducted their second forty-hour KLEC certified course of instruction attended by 30 officers from nine different police agencies. The course provided

students with experience in planning and executing a Line of Duty death funeral. During this mock funeral, there were live participants acting as mourners, local funeral homes drove hearses and provided caskets, officers provided traffic control to maintain a safe route to the cemetery and a real burial plot was available to practice placing the casket during the ceremony.

This course provided examples of various styles of Drill and Ceremony. The students received extensive practical exercises and training to prepare their Honor Guard teams to pay proper respect at any event.



Honors and Awards

The Lexington Division of Police hosted the Fourth Annual Police Awards Banquet in November to recognize and honor Division of Police employees and citizens. Award recipients performed in an exemplary manner during critical situations or made significant contributions to police operations. The following awards were given to Division of Police employees:



Officer Derrick Wallace
Officer of the Year



Mr. Jack Wilshire
Civilian Employee of the Year



Officer John Huddleston
Field Training Officer of the Year

Finalists - Officer of the Year

Lieutenant Ken Armstrong
Sergeant James Gabbard

Finalists - Civilian Employee of the Year

Ms. Sha' Alexander
Ms. Tammy Jones
Ms. Julia Shaw

Finalist - FTO of the Year

Officer James E. Smith

Valor

Sergeant Christopher Townsend
Officer Michael Helsby
Officer Aaron Noel
Officer Jeremy Tuttle

Purple Heart

Officer Andrew Forbes (Retired)
Officer Rebecca McAllister

Life Saving

Officer Steven Gaunce
Officer Michael Helsby
Officer Darrell Jones
Officer Brian Martin
Officer Mark Olivares
Officer William Powers
Officer Derrick Wallace

Distinguished Service

Detective Kimberley Baker
Lieutenant Dwayne Holman
Detective Christopher Russell
Officer Paul Stewart
Mr. James Resinger (Posthumously)

Professional Esteem

Ms. Sha' Alexander
Captain Mark Barnard
Captain David Boggs
Sergeant Robert Williams
Officer Michael Cole
Detective Jared Curtsinger
Detective Kevin Duane (2)
Sergeant James Ensminger
Detective Keith Ford
Detective John Gibbons
Detective Robert Hart
Mr. Ricky Henninger
Officer John Huddleston
Officer Christopher Pope
Detective Lindsey Prebble
Detective Matthew Sharp
Mr. Dale Sutton
Officer Robert Thomas
Officer Derrick Wallace
Detective Jason Yeager

Officer Deborah Wagner Receives International Award

IAPW President Amy Ramsay presented Officer Deborah Wagner as the recipient of the 2007 International Association of Women Police "Officer of the Year for Community Service" Award. Officer Wagner received the award during the International Association of Women Police 45th Annual Training Conference, held in Denver, Colorado on September 23-27, 2007.

This prestigious honor, presented by the largest and oldest global women's law enforcement organization, was bestowed in recognition of Officer Wagner's exemplary 29-year career of service. She is the driving force behind the highly successful Lexington Citizen Police Academy, which marked its 10th anniversary in 2007.





Chief Anthony Beatty Retires

Retired Chief of Police Anthony Beatty joined the Division of Police in December of 1973. During his 34 years of service he attained every rank within the Division, and was appointed as Chief of Police on August 13, 2001. His dedication to service was felt throughout the agency and community

as he worked in the Communications Unit, the Bureau of Community Services, the Bureau of Patrol and the Bureau of Investigation.

While actively engaged in his agency and community, Chief Beatty found time to earn his Bachelor of Science Degree in Police Administration, as well as a Master's Degree in Public Administration. His formal education was supplemented by attending the FBI's National Executive Institute and the U.S. Secret Service Executive Protection Program.

Under his leadership, the Division of Police has made significant technological advances, enhanced the quality of services offered to the public, expanded the police force and increased the Division's reputation and presence in national and international law enforcement circles. Impacting his community was and continues to be critical to Chief Beatty. His active involvement in the Rotary Club of Lexington, the YMCA Black Achievers, Bluegrass Youth, faith-based institutions and the Chamber of Commerce helped to reinforce his emphasis on and his dedication to the citizens of Lexington. Chief Beatty played an integral role in making his community a safe and harmonious place to live, work and play for every citizen. Chief Beatty retired on January 6, 2008.

Law Day Law Enforcement Award

The Fayette County Bar Association, in conjunction with Fayette District Court and Fayette Circuit Court, presented awards during the annual Law Day luncheon May 1 at the Radisson Plaza Hotel. The recipient of the 2007 Law Day "Law Enforcement Award" was Sergeant Chris Townsend, who was honored for his numerous outstanding contributions to the Division of Police and the community throughout his 21-year career.



Officer Bryan Jared Receives 2007 "TOP COPS" Award

Lexington Division of Police Officer Bryan Jared was selected to receive the prestigious 2007 National Association of Police Organization's (NAPO) "TOP COPS" Award. Along with other outstanding law enforcement

officers representing 10 states, he was presented the award at the 14th Annual "TOP COPS" Awards Ceremony on May 12, 2007 in Washington, D.C. The awards program is coordinated by NAPO and is a tribute to outstanding law enforcement officers from across the nation, honoring actions above and beyond the call of duty.

Officer Jared was nominated by the Division of Police for his heroic actions on August 27, 2006. He was one of the first officers to arrive at the Comair Flight 5191 crash site and disregarded his own safety to rescue the only survivor of the crash, James Polehinke, and helped transport him to the hospital. Mr. Polehinke's injuries were life threatening and prompt action was critical.

NAPO utilizes an Awards Selection Committee comprised of national law enforcement representatives. The committee chose one "TOP COPS" case from each state from the hundreds of nominations submitted. These 50 cases underwent additional review and were then narrowed to the final ten "TOP COPS" awardees.

America's Most Wanted host John Walsh served as the emcee for the event, which was attended by government dignitaries, celebrities and numerous law enforcement officials. Celebrity presenters from network TV crime dramas assisted with honoring the recipients.

This is the second consecutive year a Division of Police officer has been the recipient of this preeminent award. In 2006 Officer Ann Gutierrez was honored with both the "TOP COPS" Award and Citizens' Choice Award. The Division is the first agency to be honored in consecutive years in the history of "TOP COPS".

Julia Shaw Recognized for Volunteer Work

Traffic Analyst Julia Shaw received the Kentucky Women Law Enforcement Network's "Civilian Award" and the LFUCG "Time Out for People" Award. She was a finalist for the Division of Police "Civilian Employee of the Year" and nominated for the "Central Kentucky Volunteer Award", sponsored by the United Way of the Bluegrass. Ms. Shaw volunteers outside the local community. Her commitment to community service is an example for all.





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