



# DELAWARE COUNTY, NY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

## 2022 Annual Report

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In the Heart of the Catskills, a good place to visit...a great place to live.

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## SHERIFF INTRODUCTION



On behalf of the dedicated men and women of the Delaware County Office of Sheriff, I proudly submit the “Delaware County Sheriff’s Office 2022 Annual Report” for your review. This report gives me the opportunity to not only thank the public for their continued support, but also allows me to let the men and women who work for the Sheriff’s Office know how much I value their efforts.

As you review this document, I’m sure you will find it interesting as it clearly demonstrates the steadfast professional dedication of our Deputies, Correctional Officers and Civilian Staff in meeting the expectations of the citizens and taxpayers of Delaware County.

Throughout our long history as America’s first and premier lawmen, the mission of the Sheriff has remained constant: to protect the public peace and preserve the welfare of our citizens. In 2020, the men and women of this Office worked daily in support and meet that mission.

As a destination location for regional, national and international travelers; the law enforcement responsibilities in Delaware County are numerous and ever changing. However, rest assured, the Delaware County Sheriff’s Office works tirelessly to meet the needs of our residents and visitors alike.

All those that work for the Sheriff’s Office are dedicated to the same vision as I, namely, to provide the best possible public safety services to those who live within and visit Delaware County. Towards that goal, the Delaware County Sheriff’s Office has worked diligently and confidently to enhance the quality of life for our communities.

I hope the information provided in this annual report gives you a better understanding and perspective of the work the Delaware County Sheriff’s Office performs, and well as the essential services we deliver on a daily basis for the people of Delaware County.

As the Sheriff of Delaware County, it is truly my honor and pleasure to serve you every day.

Very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Craig S. DuMond". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Sheriff Craig S. DuMond

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# **DELAWARE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE MISSION**

## **STATEMENT AND CODE OF ETHICS**

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

It is the mission of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office to provide the utmost professional police, correctional, and civil enforcement services to the people of Delaware County. The sworn and civilian employees of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office believe that their work has vital impact on the quality of life in Delaware County, N.Y. By our commitment to professionalism, both on and off duty, we subscribe to the following values:

**Pride, Integrity, Professionalism and Fairness**

### **CODE OF ETHICS**

As a Deputy Sheriff, Correction Officer or Civilian Employee of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office, my fundamental obligation is to protect the constitutional rights and freedoms of the people whom I have been sworn to serve and protect. I also understand it is my obligation to uphold the institution of the Office of Sheriff and not allow my conduct to diminish the integrity of that Office as well as the character of the Sheriff.

Although I realize the way I choose to conduct my private affairs is generally a personal freedom, I realize that I will make personal sacrifices as part of my employment with the Office of Sheriff. Moreover, I further realize I must accept responsibility for my actions, as well as my inactions, both on duty and off. I also realize that my behavior is closely scrutinized by the public at large and that the consequences of my actions have the capability of bringing either respect or disrespect on my employer, my fellow employees and the Office of Sheriff.

I vow to perform all of my duties in a professional and competent manner. I will be courageous in the face of danger; yet exercise restraint in the use of my power and authority to this, the ultimate public trust. I accept the challenge to consistently strive to achieve excellence and in so doing, to obtain the necessary knowledge and skills associated with my duties. I will keep myself physically



fit and mentally alert; and thus capable of performing my duties at the caliber expected of one in my position.

In the course of my duties I will be honest and truthful and not mislead those dependent upon my honesty. I will obey those very laws that I have sworn to uphold. I will seek affirmative ways to comply with the standards of my department and the lawful directions of my supervisors.

I vow to treat others with courtesy at all times. I consider it to be a professional weakness to allow another's behavior to dictate my response. I will not allow others' actions or failings to excuse me from performing my duties in a responsible and professional manner.

Although I will endeavor to empathize with the people with whom I come into daily contact, I will not allow my personal feelings, prejudices, animosities, or friendships to influence the discretionary authority with which I have been entrusted. I will consciously seek ways to avoid any conflicts or potential conflicts of interest that have the capability of compromising either my official authority or the public's image.

I understand that my personal character and conduct must be beyond reproach, both on and off duty. I will not befriend or associate with known criminals, inmates or former inmates of any institution, or other people of questionable moral character. Further, I will not associate with individuals that may appear to create a conflict with my professional obligations or appearance of conflict with the values associated with the Office of Sheriff. This is to include personal relationships, social acquaintances, various mediums of social media, etc. I will only allow myself to be surrounded by individuals of strong moral character so as to not jeopardize the honor of the Office of Sheriff, which I am sworn to uphold and protect.

In my position, I hold the inherent expectation that the public's trust is well placed in my capability and good judgment. I do not take this trust lightly. As long as I remain in my position, I will dedicate myself to preserving this trust and in so doing uphold and promote the honor and lofty ideals established by the Office of Sheriff.

## **MEET SHERIFF CRAIG DUMOND**

Sheriff Craig DuMond is a life-long resident of the Delaware County Town of Masonville. Upon graduating from Sidney High School, he initiated his law enforcement career as a Military Police Officer in the United States Army and was stationed in Germany as well as the States of Alabama and Maryland. After being honorably discharged from military service, Sheriff DuMond returned home and became employed as a Correctional Officer by the NYS Division for Youth as well as a Police Officer for the Village of Walton. Over the next 22 years he ascended through the ranks with NYS DFY, and ultimately served as a Juvenile Correctional Facility Director; all while continuing to serve as a Police Officer for the Village of Walton.

In 2006, Sheriff DuMond was elected Supervisor for the Town of Masonville where he also served as a Legislator on the Delaware County Board of Supervisors and Chairman of the Public Safety Committee. In 2012 he was appointed Undersheriff by Sheriff Tom Mills and became directly responsible for the executive oversight and supervision of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office to include the Law Enforcement, Criminal investigations, Civil Enforcement and Jail Operation Divisions accordingly.

In 2017, he became acting Sheriff and was subsequently elected Sheriff of Delaware County in 2018. During the election, Sheriff DuMond was endorsed by both major political parties; a distinction for which he is proud as he believes the Office of Sheriff should never be politicized. During his tenure at the Sheriff's Office, Sheriff DuMond has been responsible for the creation of the K9 Division, Mounted Equine Division, School Resource Officer Program and Special Response Team. He is the past Chairman of the Delaware County Drug Task Force and an active member of the New York State and National Sheriff's Associations; serving as an Officer (1<sup>st</sup> Vice President) with the NYS Association as well as various committees within both organizations.

Entering his 37<sup>th</sup> year in law enforcement, Sheriff DuMond has furthered his education at SUNY Empire State College as well as completed numerous law enforcement and executive-level training programs; to include graduating from the 115<sup>th</sup> session of the National Sheriff's Institute Executive Development Program and NYS Governor's Office of Employee Relations Executive Management Development Program. Further, prior to being elected, Sheriff DuMond was selected to attend the 272<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy, however, declined the nomination due to his newly assumed duties as Sheriff of Delaware County.

Sheriff DuMond and his wife, Karleen, have (4) sons; two serving in the United States Armed Forces, one as a professional/career Firefighter and one attending college.

# SOCIAL MEDIA



The Delaware County Sheriff's Office mobile app allows you see a list and map of sex offenders. It provides inmate information, warrants, current press releases and pistol permit information:

It is available to download on the Google play store and Apple store please use the link below:

<https://apps.myocv.com/share/a28813753>.

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- NOTIFICATIONS / REMINDERS
- PRESS RELEASES
- SEX OFFENDERS
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## **PROMOTIONS**

Delaware County Sheriff Craig DuMond announced several promotions and appointments within the Sheriff Office; installing several new supervisors within the chain of command:



### **Sergeant Christopher Erwin Promoted to Senior Investigator**

Sheriff Craig S. DuMond announced the promotion of Sergeant Christopher Erwin to Senior Investigator effective January 9, 2022. Erwin fills the vacancy of Joseph Mauro who was recently promoted to Lieutenant following the retirement of Karl Vagts.

Senior Investigator Erwin, previously supervising the Road Patrol Deputies, will now head the Criminal Investigations Division focusing on major crimes throughout Delaware County.

### **Corporal Eric Alexander promoted to Sergeant.**

Sheriff Craig S. DuMond announces the promotion of Delaware County Road Patrol Corporal Eric Alexander to Road Patrol Sergeant effective February 6, 2022. Sgt. Alexander fills the vacancy left by Christopher Erwin who was recently promoted to Senior Investigator status in January 2022.

Sergeant Alexander joined the Sheriff's Office as a Road Patrol Deputy in 2013 as a lateral transfer from Sidney Police Department. He was most recently promoted to Corporal status in 2018 and since that time, has assisted in the supervision and case management of the Road Patrol Deputies. Several years running, Sgt. Alexander was awarded the agency's Deputy of the Year distinction, commending his tenacity for justice and his commitment to providing excellent law enforcement services.





## Promotion of Corporal Mario Blincoe to Sergeant

The promotion of long time Sheriff’s Office Corrections Cpl. Mario Blincoe to Corrections Sergeant, effective March 6, 2022.

Sergeant Blincoe began his career at the Sheriff’s Office in 2002, nearly 20 years ago and most recently, was promoted to Corporal status on 6/27/2021. Sgt. Blincoe’s previous experience as a Corporal has prepared him well to assume his new responsibilities in dealing with the day to day operations within the Correctional Facility.

## Sergeant Kim Smith Promoted to Undersheriff

Sergeant Kim Smith began her career with the Delaware County Sheriff’s Office on July 3, 1997 as a Corrections Officer. Always wanting to be a police officer, she was appointed as a part time Deputy Sheriff in February 2000. Sergeant Smith was appointed as a full-time Deputy Sheriff on April 15, 2001.

Kim has amassed several awards over her career to include; Sheriff’s Office Employee of the Quarter Award, Delaware County Employee of the Month award, as well as several other letters of commendation.

In June of 2015, Kim was promoted to Corporal status, in addition to her Deputy Sheriff and evidence custodian duties. In 2016 she transitioned off the road patrol into the critical responsibilities as Agency Accreditation Manager, Agency Training Director, and Director of Community Relations.

In February 2018, Kim was promoted to the position of Sergeant and continued to oversee her assigned responsibilities.

In January 2020, Kim was nominated by Sheriff Craig DuMond for the prestigious Sheriff Carl Draxler Award given annually by the NYS Sheriff’s Institute to a NYS Sheriff’s Office employee whose exceptional career achievements and conscientious devotion to duty have demonstrated a spirit of selfless public service. During her 25-year career Sergeant Smith has held the following titles:

- Corrections Officer
- Road Patrol Deputy





Evidence Technician  
Field Training Officer  
Certified School Resource Officer  
Former Director of the Delaware County Law Enforcement Academy  
Agency Accreditation Manager  
Agency Director of Training  
Agency Director of Public Relations  
Assistant Press Information Officer  
Operation Safe Child Coordinator  
Quartermaster for Road Patrol Division  
Grant Coordinator  
Road Patrol Equipment/Inventory Manager  
Agency Seal Order Coordinator  
Agency Convicted Offender DNA Collection and Submission Coordinator

We are proud to announce that Sergeant Kim Smith, a 25 veteran of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office was sworn in as Undersheriff by Sheriff Craig DuMond at the Public Safety Building in Delhi May 26th 2022.

Not only is Kim Smith the first female Undersheriff appointed by the Delaware County Sheriff's Office since 1795, but she was the first female Sergeant appointed by the Office as well.

Kim Smith also has the distinction of being the first female recipient of the Carl Drexler Award from the New York State Sheriff's Association for Lifetime Achievement in the field of Law Enforcement.

We are very excited to have Undersheriff Smith continue her career in this capacity and look forward to her many accomplishments and distinctions as Undersheriff.



### **Promotion of Corrections Officer Bryce Charles to Corporal**

On Thursday May 5, 2022, Sheriff Craig DuMond announced the promotion of Corrections Officer Bryce Charles to the position of Corporal effective May 15, 2022. Charles, a member of the Sheriff's Corrections Division, will assume the duties of staff supervision of a shift of Corrections Officers within the Delaware County Corrections Facility.



## **Promotion of Deputy Tyler McAteer and Corrections Corporal Maria DeSilva to Sergeant**

On July 8, 2022, Delaware County Sheriff Craig S. DuMond announced the promotion of two agency members to the position of Sergeant effective July 10, 2022.

Deputy Sheriff Tyler McAteer, a 7-year veteran, promoted to Deputy Sheriff Sergeant and assigned to the Law Enforcement Road Patrol Division. Sergeant McAteer will directly supervise Deputy Sheriffs assigned to him while in the performance of law enforcement activities in the field.

Corrections Corporal Maria DeSilva, a 9-year veteran, promoted to Corrections Sergeant and assigned to the Corrections Division. Sergeant DeSilva will directly supervise Corrections Officers assigned to her while in the performance of duty within the corrections facility.

## **Promotion of Corrections Officers Matthew Cammer and Tyler Rubera**

On Friday, September 9th, 2022, Sheriff Craig DuMond announced the promotion of Corrections Officers Matthew Cammer and Tyler Rubera to the positions of Corrections Corporals effective September 4, 2022.

As part of their duties, both Cpl. Cammer and Cpl. Rubera will assume the duties of staff supervision of a shift of Corrections Officers within the Delaware County Corrections Facility.



# RETIREMENTS

## *Undersheriff Timothy Buckley*



Sheriff Craig S. DuMond announced the retirement of his Undersheriff Timothy Buckley, effective May 21<sup>st</sup>. Undersheriff Buckley initiated his Law Enforcement Career in 1996 working for various municipal Police Departments in Delaware and Chenango Counties.

In 1998 his was appointed as a Deputy Sheriff at the Chenango County Sheriff's Office where he also served as a School Resource Officer. Shortly thereafter, he also became a part-time Deputy with the Delaware County Sheriff's Office and later transitioned to a full time Delaware County Deputy in 2000.

During his career at the Delaware County Sheriff's Office, Undersheriff Buckley was

promoted through the ranks, holding the progressive positions as Investigator and Lieutenant. He was appointed Undersheriff by Sheriff DuMond in 2018 and has served in that position to date.

Speaking on his retirement, Undersheriff Buckley remarked "I have very much

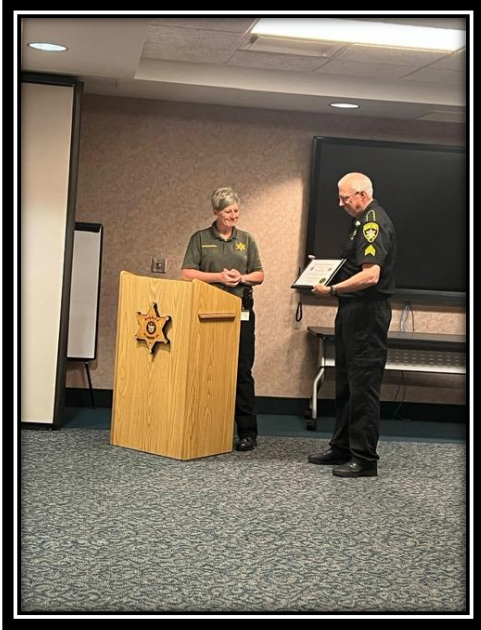
enjoyed my career and will miss all my friends and colleagues that I have had the pleasure of working with through the years. I feel I am leaving the Sheriff's Office in great hands and I am proud of what the Office has become over the years. I want to thank Sheriff DuMond for being such a great leader and even better friend. I am looking forward to retirement and being home with my wife, Sandi, and our dogs in sunny California and no longer having to deal with snow!"

On Friday, May 20th, our Undersheriff Timothy Buckley called himself out of service to retire from a career spanning 26 years in Delaware County Law Enforcement. Undersheriff since appointed

by Sheriff DuMond in 2018, Tim became a full-time deputy for Delaware County in 2000, and rose through the ranks as Investigator, and then as Lieutenant. 50+ people gathered at the Public Safety Building in Delhi for a lunch followed by presentations by Sheriff Craig DuMond, Senator Fred Akshar, and Tim's youngest brother Chad Buckley, 1st Sergeant of Troop C Headquarters in Sidney. Retired Undersheriff Buckley will be missed by all staff at the Sheriff's Office and remembered for his dedication to public safety and for his impeccable character and integrity.







### *Retirement Sergeant Paul Hamilton*

Sheriff Craig DuMond announced the retirement of Sergeant Paul Hamilton effective on June 2, 2022. Sergeant Paul Hamilton began his career with the Sheriff's Office as Corrections Officer on July 26, 2010. He was then promoted to Corporal on July 30, 2015. On July 12, 2020 he was promoted to Corrections Sergeant.

We thank Sergeant Hamilton for his dedicated service and we wish him a happy and long lasting retirement.



### *Retirement of Lieutenant Joseph Mauro*

September 2, 2022, Sheriff Craig DuMond announced the retirement of Road Patrol Lieutenant Joseph Mauro. Lt. Mauro has served The Office of the Sheriff and the residents of Delaware County for 22 years ascending through various roles and ranks beginning as a Corrections Officer in 2000, becoming a Deputy Sheriff in 2002, an Investigator in 2007, a Sr. Investigator in 2018 and a Lieutenant in 2021.

We thank Lt. Mauro for his dedicated service and we wish him a happy and long lasting retirement.

## **IN REMEMBRANCE**



### **Delaware County Deputy Sheriff Timothy Hess.**

Tim began his lengthy career in law enforcement with the Delaware County Sheriff's Office, having served over 35 years in Law Enforcement. At the time of his passing, Tim was presently employed as a part-time Deputy Sheriff having formerly worked special details such as the Delaware County Fair.

We will miss his humorous stories, his charismatic personality, his charming smile and most of all his kind heart. Sheriff DuMond and all members of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office send our most heartfelt sympathies to Tim's wife Carol, his daughter Katie, his son

Alex as well as their extended families.

## **ADMINISTRATION**



Sheriff Craig DuMond



Undersheriff Kim Smith



Major John DeMeo



Jessica Miller  
Administrative Assistant to Sheriff



Rebecca Townsend  
Personnel Clerk

The Administrative Division is responsible for the overall management of the Sheriff's Office, which includes:

- Leadership
- Budget/Accounting
- Legislative Initiatives
- Operations Management
- Personnel and Payroll
- Policies and Procedures
  - Purchasing
- Strategic Planning and Goal Setting
  - Training

The Administration also deals with processing and receiving grants. We are very appreciative of the opportunities that grant funding provides our Office.

## ROAD PATROL DIVISION

Deputy Sheriffs assigned to the Road Patrol Division respond to calls for service from the general public. They have a diversified caseload, covering everything from animal nuisance complaints to homicides. Each deputy works four (4) ten (10) hour shifts. Since our County is remote and has no major cities, each deputy takes his/her car home so that he/she can respond readily to incidents near their residence --- even when not on duty. The deputies interview victims, witnesses, and alleged suspects. They write criminal incident reports, and, when necessary, take people into custody and transport them to jail. As appropriate, the deputies refer cases to our Criminal Investigators Division for further action. The Deputies also testify in court hearings and trials concerning their cases.

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### January

A cold morning (-4 degrees) from atop Brush Ridge Road in the Town of Middletown. In the distance is the maze of Belleayre Mountain trails.

A cold but beautiful morning on River Road in the Town of Colchester.







## February

A stately image of the Senator Charles Cook County Office Building located at 111 Main Street in the Village of Delhi.

While conducting an early morning school check at the Delaware Academy High School building. Despite the snow and cold, it is still one of the most majestic buildings in the county.



## March

A frosty looking image taken this morning on State Highway 28 in the Town of Delhi.

## April

No winter lasts forever; no spring skips its turn" - Hal Borland



Huska Road Town of Delhi





A gorgeous sunrise off of State Highway 206 in the Town of Walton yesterday morning!!

### May

A gorgeous sunrise on I-88 in the Town of Sidney this morning.



### June

This sunrise from atop More Park in Walton this morning is simply gorgeous!!

Looking at the beautiful lush, green valley off of Hamden Hill Road reminds us what a gorgeous place Delaware County truly is!!





**July**

This image of a beautiful night sky was taken in front of Delaware Academy Central School.

**August**

A gorgeous sunset captured on State Highway 8 in the Town of Sidney.



**September**

Nothing compares to the beauty of autumn in the Catskills on Canada Hollow Road in the Town of Andes.

**October**

The sunset last night was one of the most colorful and beautiful sunsets we've ever seen on County Highway 5 AKA "Bovina Mountain"







Have a wonderful day everyone ...in the Town of Roxbury

Another gorgeous evening in beautiful Delaware County on State Highway 10 T/Deposit



“O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain. America...America... God shed his grace on thee and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.”

This photo was captured on Christian Hill Road Town of Franklin.



Sheriff DuMond says he would rather take the backroads!! (Catskill Turnpike, T/Meredith)



This breathtaking view was captured while on patrol on State Highway 30 at the intersection of Perch Lake Road in the Town of Andes.





## November

This colorful sunrise was caught at the East Sidney Dam pull off in the Town of Sidney on Tuesday morning

The sun sets over State Highway 206 in the Town of Masonville.



## December

The promise of a new day begins as the sun rises on the horizon of Hamden Hill in the Town of Hamden.

The colors of the sunrise this morning are just incredible!! This gorgeous image was captured on State Highway 28 in the Town of Delhi.



## **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION**

Criminal Investigations are performed by our Investigators. These cases are more serious in nature get investigated in-depth and tend to be complicated and labor intensive. The investigations division is in charge of administrating the records pertaining to each investigation.



### *Criminal Investigation Division Yearly Report 2022*

<b>NEW CASES ADOPTED:</b>	<b>Reported</b>	<b>Closed by Invest.</b>	<b>Closed by Arrest</b>	<b>Pending Invest.</b>	<b>Warrant Requested</b>
<b>CASE NATURE</b>					
Sex Offender related (i.e. 90 day, photos, complaints etc.):	283	283			
Jail Inv and assists	17	14	3		
Background Inv for employment	49	43		6	
Background Investigation (County Court)	14	14			
Background Investigation (Fire Department)	4	4			
Administrative Investigations	3	3			
FFL Renewal	8	8			
FFL Application	2	2			
FFL Report Multiple sale of firearms	3	3			
Firearms Investigation	19	19			
Criminal Purchase of a Weapon	2	1	1		
Gun Destruction	190	190			
Guns Returned	114	114			
Guns Received	5	4		1	
Firearms Inv-Diseased Licensee	1	1			
Probation Warrant	8		3		5
Family Court Warrants	25		8		17
County Court Warrant	2				2
L/C Court Arrest Warrant	1		1		
L/C Court Bench Warrant	17		12		5
Felony Youth Part-Bench Warrant	1				1
Fugitive from Justice	5	2	3		
Attempt to locate Fugitive	1	1			
Search Warrant	4				4
Indictment Warrant	1		1		
Assist Other Deputy	6	6			
Assist Colchester PD	2	2			
Assist DCCF Staff	4	4			
Assist District Attorney	1	1			
Assist DSS	1	1			
Assist Emergency Services	1	1			
Assist Fire Department	4	4			
Assist Other Agency DRE Eval	3	3			
Assist NYSP	4	4			

Assist other Police Agency	3	3			
Assist Probation	2	2			
Assist Walton PD	2	2			
School presentations	1	1			
Red Team Exercise	4	4			
Suspicious Person/Suspicious Activity	2	2			
Information Received	2	2			
Probation Search	2	2			
SRT Deployment	3	3			
Check Welfare	2	2			
Open Bank Door	1	1			
Domestic Dispute	2	1	1		
Receipt of Drug Info	6	6			
Drug Complaint	1	1			
Drug Debriefing	13	13			
Attempt Controlled Drug Buy	3	3			
Drug Buy	1			1	
Confidential Informants	3	2		1	
DRE Evaluations	6	6			
Accidents Reconstructed	1	1			
Unattended Death Investigations	3	3			
Suicide Investigations	2	2			
Homicide Investigations	2	1		1	
Sex Abuse Investigations	9	7	1	1	
CAC Interviews	7	7			
Civil Process Served	2	2			
Order of Protection Served	2	2			
Attempt to Serve Civil Process	1	1			
Civil Matter	1	1			
PDMVA Investigations	4	4			
FATAL MVA Investigations	1			1	
Criminal Tampering Investigations	1	1			
Assault 3 <sup>rd</sup> Investigation Investigations	1	1			
Petit Larceny Investigations	1	1			
Inappropriate Touching Investigations	1	1			
Neighborhood Trouble Investigations	1	1			
Trespass Investigations	2	2			
Grand Larceny 3 <sup>rd</sup> Investigations	1	1			
Falsifying Business Records 1 <sup>st</sup> Investigation	1		1		
Election Fraud Investigations	3	3			
Harassment Investigations	3	3			
Fraud Investigations	5	5			
Identity Theft Investigations	1	1			
Assault on a Police Officer Investigations	1		1		
Assault- Vulnerable elderly Investigations	1	1			
Burglary Investigations	3	1	1	1	
Obstructing-Criminal Contempt Investigations	1		1		
Criminal Mischief Investigations	1	1			
DNA Collection	1	1			
<b><i>TOTALS</i></b>	<b><u>928</u></b>	<b><u>843</u></b>	<b><u>38</u></b>	<b><u>13</u></b>	<b><u>34</u></b>

<b><u>TOTAL ARREST CHARGES 2022</u></b>					
Possession of Prison Contraband 1 <sup>st</sup> degree- Class D Felony	1		1		
Possession of Prison Contraband 2 <sup>nd</sup> degree- Class A Misdemeanor	2		2		
Obstructing Governmental Administration 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Class A Misdemeanor	2		2		
MHY Sec 9.41	1		1		
Unlawful Imprisonment 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Class A Misdemeanor	1		1		
Endangering the Welfare of a Child-Class A Misdemeanor	2		2		
Persistent Sex Abuse-Class E felony	1		1		
Forcible Touching-Class A Misdemeanor	1		1		
Assault 2 <sup>nd</sup> degree in a Correctional Facility- Class D-Felony	4		4		
Grand Larceny 3 <sup>rd</sup> degree- Class D Felony	2		2		
Menacing a Police Officer- Class D Felony	1		1		
Assault 2 <sup>nd</sup> degree- Class D-Felony	1		1		
Criminal Possession of a Weapon 4 <sup>th</sup> degree- Class A Misdemeanor	1		1		
Criminal Possession of a Weapon 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree- Prior Felony conviction- Class A Misdemeanor	1		1		
Fugitive from Justice	1		1		
Family Court Warrant-Failure to Obey Child Support	1		1		
Family Court Warrant-Unspecified Violation of the Family Court Act	1		1		
Burglary 3 <sup>rd</sup> degree- Class D Felony	1		1		
Criminal Mischief 4 <sup>th</sup> degree-Class A Misdemeanor	2		2		
Petit Larceny	2		2		
Sex Offender Registry Violation- Class D Felony	1		1		
Criminal Contempt 2 <sup>nd</sup> degree- Class A Misdemeanor	2		2		
Manslaughter 2 <sup>nd</sup> degree- Class C Felony (Sealed Indictment)	1		1		
Probation Warrant	1		1		
Offering a False Instrument for Filing 2 <sup>nd</sup> degree	1		1		
Falsifying Business Records 1 <sup>st</sup> degree-Class E felony	1		1		
Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 5 <sup>th</sup> – Class A Misdemeanor	1		1		
<b><u>TOTALS</u></b>	<b><u>37</u></b>		<b><u>37</u></b>		

**Pending presentation to Grand Jury**

Wysong- Manslaughter 2<sup>nd</sup>

## **SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM (SRT)**

The Special Response Team is responsible for high risk situations and dangerous incidents.

The SRT is made up of personnel from all Divisions within the agency. Each individual on this team completes a series of rigorous tests to become a member. Once a member, the individuals have to participate in extensive training to make sure they properly prepared for our critical assignments.

The Special Response Team has been very beneficial to the Sheriff's Office, local agencies, as well as the State Police. They have provided Deputies assistance when executing high risk warrants and with hostage situations. They have been instrumental in making a difference in apprehending felony-level offenders throughout Delaware County.







## K-9 UNIT

Our K-9 Unit continues to take an active role in drug seizures, raids and round-ups.



### *K-9 "Eli"*

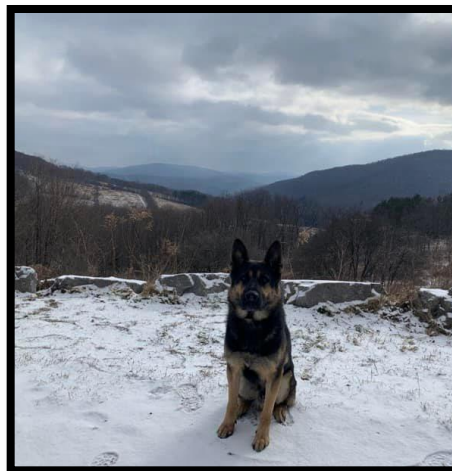
My name is K9 "Eli", I am a 3-year-old German Shepherd born in Hungary. I was acquired from Shallow Creek Kennels in Pennsylvania on October 18, 2019. I was specifically hand selected and tested to ensure I possessed the proper genetic makeup to become a police service dog. I am honored that I am dedicated and named after the 1st Sheriff of Delaware County; Sheriff Elias

Butler who served as Sheriff from 1797 to 1799.



I am a dual-purpose German Shepherd and meet the criteria in regards to drug detection and patrol duties. My human partner, Deputy Sheriff Kyle Karcher and I began training on Monday October 28, 2019 at the Orange County Sheriff's Office K9 Academy. Deputy Karcher and I spent 8 weeks of intensive training in the discipline of narcotics detection at the K9 Narcotics Detector School at the Orange County Sheriff's Office in Goshen, NY. We are now fully certified by NY State to carry on these activities in accordance with their official duties as a K9 Team. Throughout 2023 we will continue our training in search and rescue, patrol, tracking and handler protection.

I am honored to help protect and serve the citizens of Delaware County. I appreciate this opportunity to serve you and I endeavor to serve you faithfully. If you would care to contribute to our K-9 program, please make your checks payable to the Delaware County Sheriff's Office and mail them to 280 Phoebe Lane, Suite One, Delhi, New York 13753.





It's always a pleasure working with other police agencies as well as with the school districts within our own communities to ensure our children's safety and well-being. A sincere thank you to Walton CSD for organizing this detail.







## *K-9 "Edge"*

Sheriff Craig S. DuMond announced the "swearing in" of a new K-9 Deputy to be added to the Delaware County Sheriff's Office K9 Division.

My name is K9 "Edge", I am a male Dutch Shepherd born in Hungary on 8/30/2020. I was acquired from Shallow Creek Kennels,

located in Sharpsville, Pennsylvania. I was specifically hand selected and tested to ensure I possessed the proper genetic makeup to become a police service dog. I will begin training immediately as a dual purpose K9 specializing in explosives detection, patrol, and tracking with my handler.

Corporal Jeff Clark, School Resource Deputy, has been selected to be my handler. Both Corporal Clark and I will be receiving our training and certification at the Orange County Sheriff's Office K9 Academy.

I am named after former DCSO Deputy Erastus S. Edgerton. Deputy Edgerton held the dangerous office of Deputy Sheriff in 1845 when he assisted in preserving order during the anti-rent wars in Andes. During the incident, Deputy Edgerton's horse was shot from under him, and Undersheriff Osman Steele was shot and killed.

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office recently received a United States Homeland Security grant in the amount of \$50,000 to purchase and implement an explosive detection K9.

I am honored to help protect and serve the citizens of Delaware County. I appreciate this opportunity to serve you and I endeavor to serve you faithfully. If you would care to contribute to our K-9 program, please make your checks payable to the Delaware County Sheriff's Office and mail them to 280 Phoebe Lane, Suite One, Delhi, New York 13753.



We thought everyone might like to see the training progress of K-9 Edge and his handler Delaware County Sheriff's Office Cpl. Jeffrey Clark. Keep up the fantastic work!



# **MOUNTED PATROL**



Delaware County Sheriff's Office continues the tradition of a Mounted Patrol for the Sheriff's Office. We have 8 personnel from the Delaware County Sheriff's Office assigned to the patrol.

The Sheriff's wife, Karleen DuMond, is a certified DCJS Instructor for the Mounted Police Officer course. This training allows for Sheriff's Office Personnel to be fully prepared to respond to a variety of specialized details when needed.



The course curriculum includes:

- ❖ Basic Formation
- ❖ Tactical Formation
- ❖ Crowd Control
- ❖ Sensory and Obstacle Training
- ❖ Patrol Techniques and Office Procedures
  - ❖ Search and Rescue
- ❖ Press, Public, and Community Relations
- ❖ Horse Abuse Laws for New York State



Sheriff Craig DuMond supervises the Mounted Patrol at various appearances throughout Delaware County. The Sheriff's Mounted Patrol participates in civic events throughout the year.





## SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER



“A school resource officer, by definition, is a career law enforcement officer with sworn authority who is deployed by an employing police department or agency in a community-oriented policing assignment to work in collaboration with one or more schools.”



--- National Association of School Resource Officers

Deputy Jeffrey Clark spends the majority of his time as a school resource officer at Sidney Central School, and Masonville BOCES.

Deputy Clark interacts with students within the school, and provides school personnel with valuable resources. A school resource officer is a law enforcement officer, mentor, and educator.

When the designated school resource officer is absent, we have several other deputies that cover in his absence.

Delaware County Sheriff's Office has a sub-stationed program that the office participates in. The sub-station program entails an area designated within a school that a deputy would be able to operate out of. The sub-station program allows for deputies to interact with the staff, students, and ensure safety of the facility.

Due to the pandemic this year and the hybrid schedules, SRO Deputy Clark primarily gave career talks at BOCES for introduction to occupation students, assisted with lock down and fire drills at both BOCES and Sidney Central School. He has also provided other presentations and assisted with Mock trials.

Deputy Clark giving a presentation about Sexting and Cyberbullying.



Mock Trials-Students play the roles of attorneys, witnesses, and court officers while learning skills of public speaking, teamwork, research, collaboration, civil and criminal legal concepts, and civic engagement. It is a way to bring the law alive for students and to give them a voice in what otherwise might seem a very distant judicial system.

## **2022 HIGHLIGHTS**

Our road patrol deputies responded to a wide variety of incidents in 2021, some small, some large:

### **December 2022 - SJS Incidents by Incident Type**

**2022 YEAR TO DATE TOTAL = 2,218 = *20.9% decrease from 2021***

**2021 – YEAR TO DATE TOTAL = 2,805**

ABANDONNED VEHICLE	6
ADMIN MATTER	20
AGGRAVATED HARASSMENT	6
ANIMAL BITE	3
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	29
ANIMAL IN ROADWAY	4
ANIMAL STRUCK BY MV	7
ASSIST CHOLCHESTER PD	6
ASSIST DA	1
ASSIST DCCF	4
ASSIST DELHI PD	3
ASSIST DSS	5
ASSIST EMS	15
ASSIST FIRE DEPARTMENT	5
ASSIST HANCOCK PD	1
ASSIST MOTORIST	1
ASSIST NYSP	21
ASSIST OTHER DEPUTY'S	7
ASSIST OTHER PD	9
ASSIST PROBATION	2
ASSIST ROXBURY CONSTABLE	1

ASSIST SIDNEY PD	6
ASSIST WALTON PD	17
ATV ACCIDENT	1
ATV COMPLAINT	1
BENCH WARRANT	16
BURGLARY	44
CAR BLOCKING ROADWAY	3
CAR DEER MVA PI	6
CAR FIRE	2
CATTLE COMPLAINT	8
CHECK WELFARE	42
CHILD ABUSE	5
CHILD LEFT ALONE	1
CIVIL INFO	1
CIVIL MATTER	49
CIVIL PROCESS SERVED	5
COMPUTER COMPLAINT	1
COMPUTER FRAUD	2
COUNTY COURT WARRANT	2
CPCS	2
CPM	22
CRIMINAL IMPERSONATION	2
CRIMINAL PURCHASE OF WEAPON	2
CRIMINAL TAMPERING	1
CUSTODY DISPUTE	3
DISABLED VEHICLE	2
DISCON	4
DMV SUSPENSION	51
DNA COLLECTION	4

DOG COMNPLAINT	18
DOMESTIC	125
DRE EVAL	3
DRUG COMPLAINT	5
DRUG POSSESSION	3
DWAI	5
DWI	7
DWI MVA	6
EDP	1
EID	5
ELECTION LAW VIOLATION	3
ENDANGER WELFARE CHILD	1
FAMILY COURT WARRANTY	24
FATAL MVA	2
FFL RENEWAL	9
FIGHT IN PROGRESS	3
FIRE	1
FIREARMS INVESTIGATION	23
FIREARMS RECEIVED	16
FIREARMS RETURNED	5
FORGERY	3
FRAUD	50
FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE	5
HARASSMENT	132
HIT AND RUN MVA	4
ID THEFT	14
ILLEGAL PARKED VEHICLE	1
INAPPROPIATE TOUCHING	3
INFORMATION RECEIVED	4

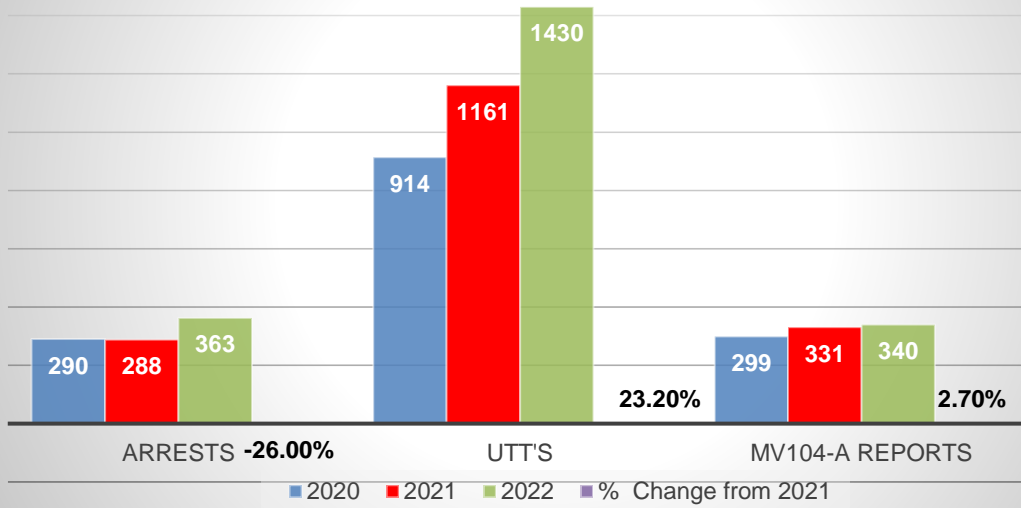
INV DECEASED LICENSE	3
JAIL ASSAULT	4
JAIL CONTRABAND	11
K9 JAIL SEARCH	1
K9 SCHOOL SEARCH	4
LANDLORD/TENANT TROUBLE	11
LEAVING SCENE MVA	1
LIQOUR LAW VIOLATIONS	1
LITTERING	1
LOCAL CRIMINAL COURT	1
LOST OR STOLEN LICENSE PLATE	4
LOUD PARTY	1
MENACING	3
MHL 941	74
MHL 9.45	10
MISSING CHILD	2
MISSING PERSON	7
MOTORCYCLE ACC. SERIOUS PI	1
MULTIPLE SALE OF PISTOL	3
NEIGHBORHOOD TROUBLE	8
NOISE COMPLAINT	4
NOTIFICATION DEATH/EMERGENCY	2
OBSCENITY/PORNOGRAPHY	2
ORDER OF PROTECTION SERVED	151
OTHER	45
OTHER ACCIDENT	6
OVERDOSE	3
PERSONAL INJURY	37
PISTOL PERMIT INVESTIGATION	205

PISTOL PERMIT REVOCATION	5
POSSESSION FORGED INSTRUMENT	2
POSSESSION STOLEN PROPERTY	1
PRIVATE PROPERTY	31
PROBATION WARRANT	8
PROPERTY DAMAGE	39
PROPERTY DISPUTE	4
PROPERTY FOUND	5
PROPERTY LOST	8
PROPERTY RETRIEVAL	1
PROPERTY STOLEN	2
PUBLIC INTOXICATION	1
PUBLIC PROPERTY	4
RAPE	3
RECEIPT DRUG INFO	4
REPORTED HOMICIDE	1
ROADWAY BLOCKED	1
RUNAWAY JUVENILE	6
SEX OFFENSES	7
SEXUAL ABUSE	12
SHOP LIFTING	2
SHOTS FIRED	3
SIMPLE ASSAULT	3
SNOWMOBILE ACCIDENT	1
SORA COMPLAINT	6
SORA REGISTRATION INFO	118
SORA VIOLATION	2
SRO ADD. VERIFICATION	76
SRO BOCES MASONVILLE	43

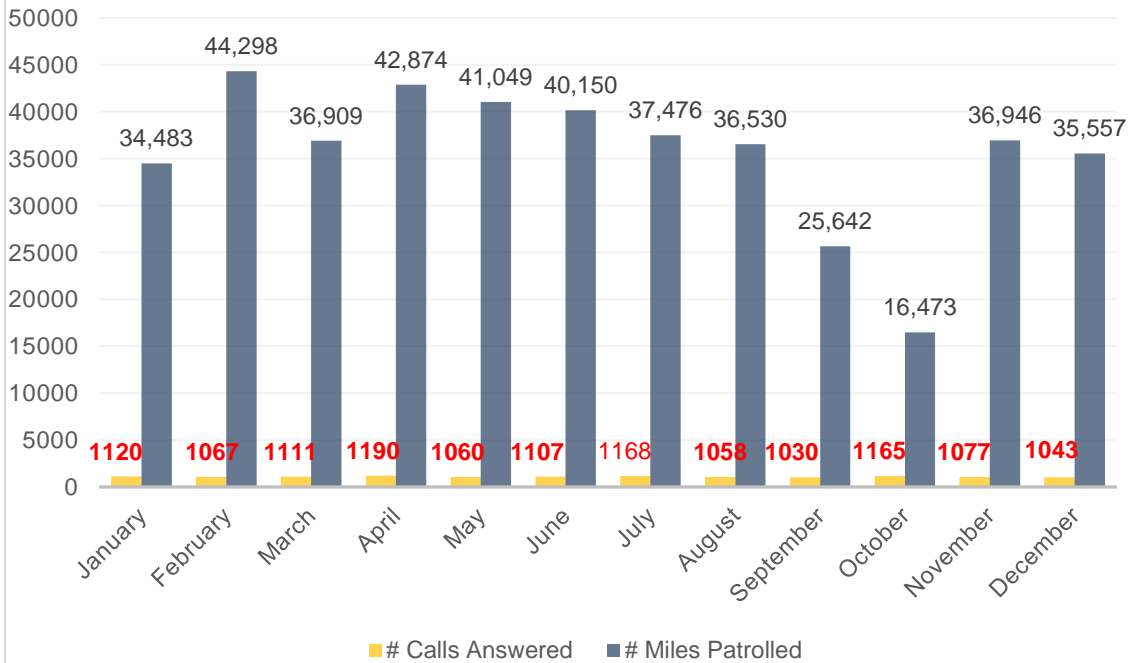


SRO SIDNEY SCHOOL	44
SRT DEPLOYMENT	2
STOLEN VEHICLE	5
SUICIDE	2
SURRENDER FOR DESTRUCTION	1
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	14
SUSPICIOUS FIRE	1
SUSPICIOUS PACKAGE	1
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	14
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	2
TERRORIST THREAT	1
THEFT FROM BULDING	14
THEFT FROM MAILBOX	1
THEFT FROM VEHICLE	4
THEFT OF SERVICES	1
TRESPASS	74
UNATTENDED DEATH	21
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF VEHICLE	1
UNDETERMINED CAUSE/ORIGIN	1
UNLAW POSS-MARIHUAN	1
UP 911 HANG UP CALL	1
V & T COMPLAINTS	29
VEH PARTS/ACCESSORIES	5
VERBAL THREAT-STAFF	1
WEAPON ASSAULT	1

## Law Enforcement Summary 2022



## 2022 Summary



# CIVIL DIVISION

The Civil Division of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office is responsible for, but not limited to:

- The service of Notices, Summons, Subpoenas, Petitions, and Orders;
- Warrant of Evictions;
- Income, Personal, & Property Executions
- Court Orders



Members of the Civil Division attend conferences and trainings to keep up-to-date on all the current changes to State laws.

## 2022 Statistics

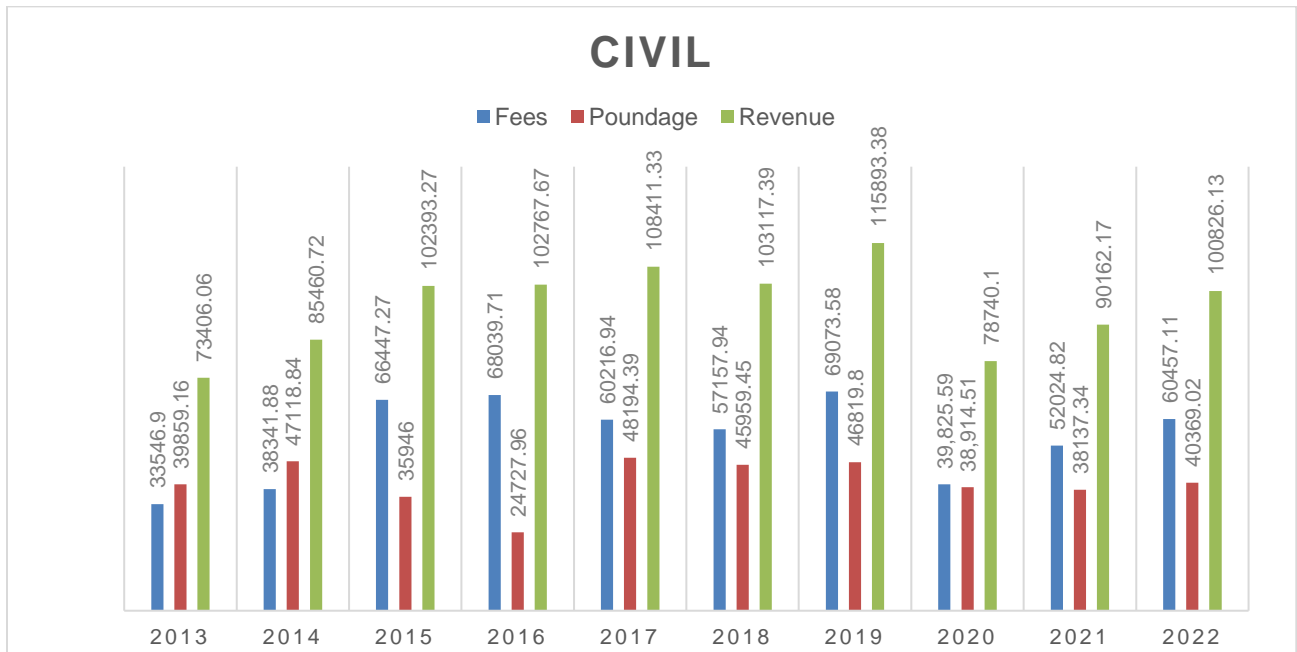
Total Papers Served: 722

Total Property Executions: 7

Total Income Executions: 413

Orders of Protection Served: 141

Pistol Permits: 214



## **PISTOL CLERK**

In 2022 the Pistol Clerk relocated to the Sheriff's Office. 280 Phoebe Lane – Suite 1, Delhi, NY 13753. Please contact at 607-832-5461 for any questions or visit the website for more information. <https://www.delcony.us/gun/>



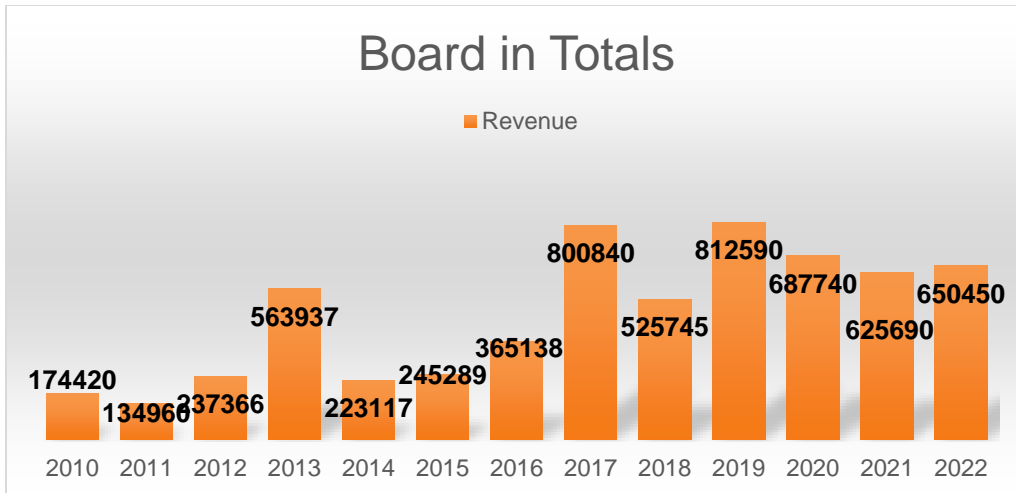
## **CORRECTIONS DIVISION**

The impact of Bail Reform that became effective in January of 2020 has continued to drastically affect our local inmate population throughout 2022. We did show an increase in overall population by 20%. This was primarily due to an increase of Federal board ins.

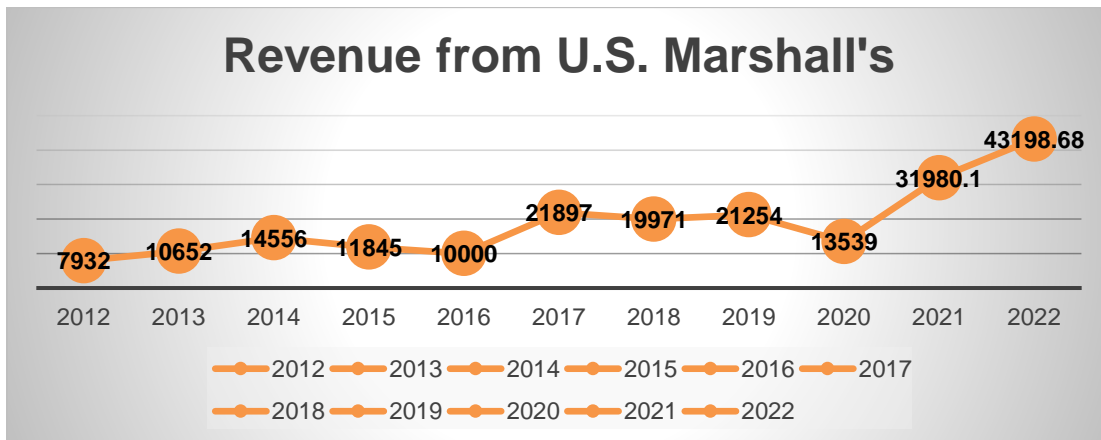
2022 board in revenue increased by 4% compared to 2021. This was due to our new contract with the US Marshalls with sentenced inmates. Our contract with the US Marshalls to house and transport Federal prisoners to the airlift has now extended to our ability to do Federal State Prison transports. Our main transport for that as of right now is Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary in Lewisburg PA.

Reportable incidents increased in 2022 by 20%. The increase comes with the States new mandate for all facilities to follow the HALT act. Humane Alternatives to Long-Term Confinement. Under the provisions of the HALT Act inmates that are locked in for disciplinary reasons must be unlocked from their cell at least 7 hours a day. This prevents the Officers administering a swift and stern reaction to a disciplinary issue which would prevent compounding problematic behavior.

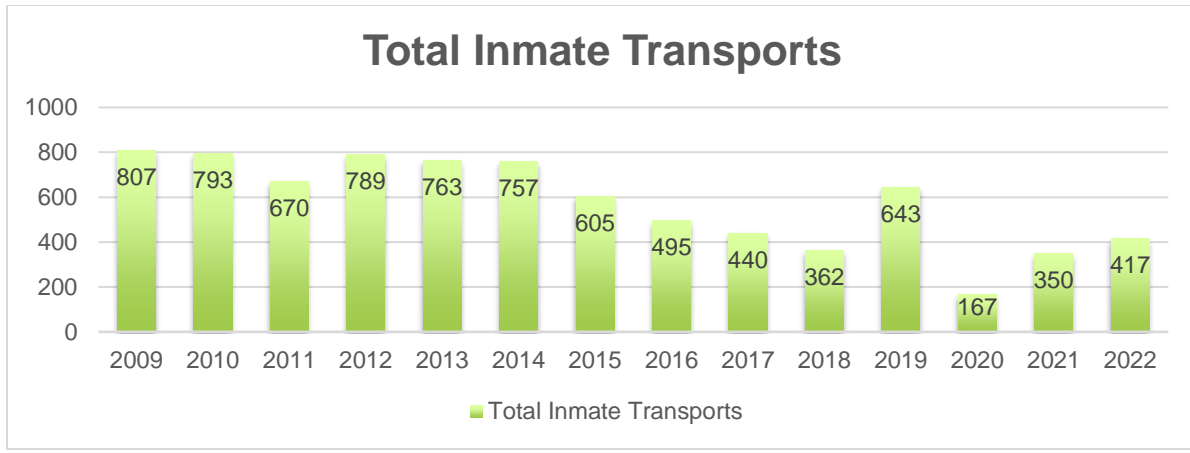




The total Revenue for Board ins since 2004 is \$8,101,642.



The total Revenue from U.S. Marshall's service for transporting inmates since 2007 is \$233,379.78.



This graph illustrates the total number of transports that our facility has provided over the years. Transports can be for:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Mental health services</li> <li>✓ Medical Services</li> <li>✓ Dental services</li> <li>✓ Funeral services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ County/Supreme Court</li> <li>✓ Family Courts</li> <li>✓ Other Courts</li> <li>✓ Other Correctional Facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Work Details</li> <li>✓ Relays w/other Agencies</li> <li>✓ Federal Transports</li> </ul>
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# CORRECTIONS ACADEMY

2022

Delaware County Corrections Academy

Major John DeMeo

Sgt. Heath Goff, Assistant Director



2022 Presented a very unique set of challenges. This year families, friends, co-workers and various Official personnel were able to gather at the Delaware County Sheriff's Office to celebrate the graduation of 8 newly trained and certified Corrections Officers from Delaware.

The new Corrections Officers were trained by law enforcement instructors over a period of approximately 6 weeks in which various skills and topics as required and set forth by The New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services and the Municipal Police Training Council were taught.

Although, NYS DCJS requires a minimum of 156 hours of training in the various topics including but not limited to defensive tactics, hostage survival, Penal Law, ethics, legal issues, first Aid, CPR and AED use, effective communication, suicide prevention, stress management, court room testimony, manipulation by inmates etc., the Delaware County Law Enforcement Academy adds additional courses and topics which in turn help the officers better meet the needs of the facilities inmates as well as to help create a safe and secure facility for all. A week of Direct Supervision was reintroduced to the curriculum.





***Classroom  
Instruction***







***Defensive Tactics  
Certification***





*Aerosol Subject  
Restraint Spray  
Certification*







***Fire Arms  
Certification***



# GRANTS

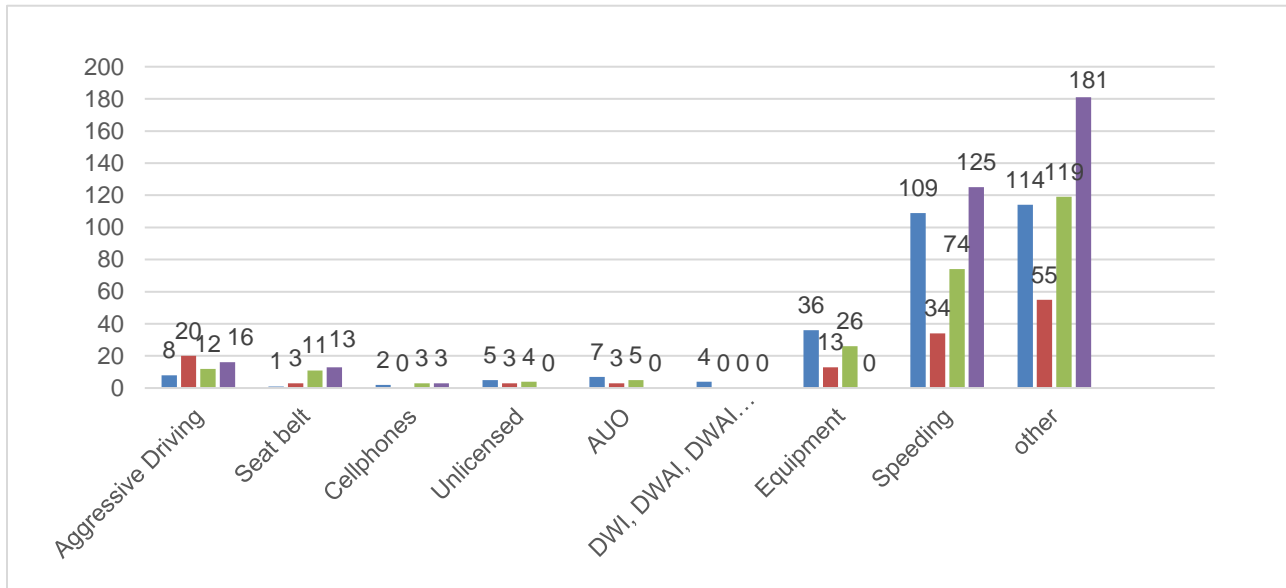
## *Police Traffic Services*

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office continued to receive grant money from the New York State PTS program for traffic enforcement in 2022. The Delaware County Sheriff Office conducted a total of 331 PTS funded hours (of which 323 hours were OT hours worked and 8 hours were regular hours worked.) During these hours, 338 UTT's were issued. This is an increase from the previous year of 335 hours worked and 254 UTT's issued. In all, citations issued for speeding, cell phone use, and seatbelt tickets increased substantially in the past grant cycle.



In evaluating the number of Motor Vehicle Accident investigations that the Delaware County Sheriff's Office were assigned to showed that accidents increased from the previous year's total of 351 MVA's to 308 MVA's which demonstrates a 14% increase. The number of Personal Injury MVA's increased by 56.8% from 44 the previous year to 69 MA's this year. Fatal MVA's remained the same at 1 MVA death.

As in the past, the loss of certified Police Officers from our Road patrol unit remains our biggest and most consistent issue in meeting our PTS goals.







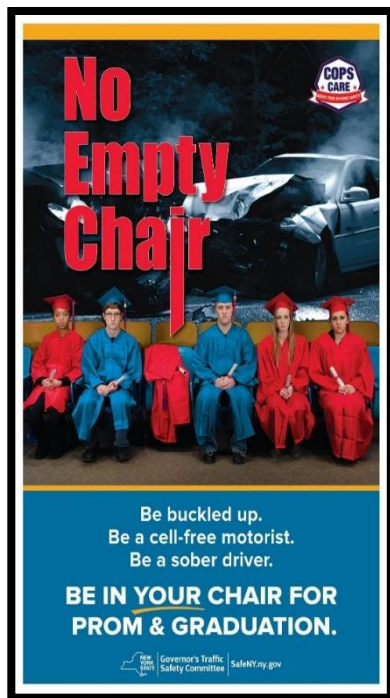
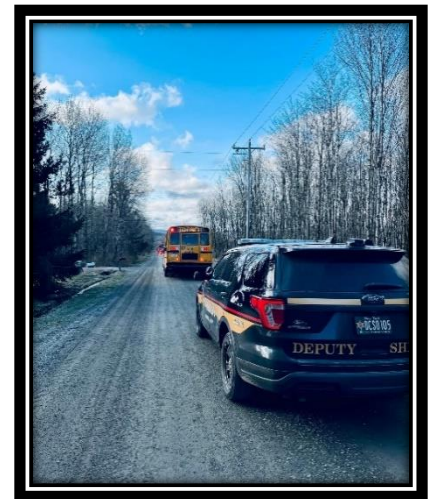
### Operation Safe Stop

Thursday, April 28, 2022 is Operation Safe Stop Day. Local law enforcement agencies will be partnering with school districts. Police Officers will be assigned to follow school buses on their AM and PM routes.

Please remember that when you encounter school buses on the

roadways, be extra cautious and do your part to ensure our children safely get to school and home again!!

Operation Safe Stop is held once a year in April, but for the benefit of everyone, we should all exhibit safe and cautious driving habits year round.



### "No Empty Chair" Teen Driving Safety Campaign

April 25-29, 2022

Each year thousands of high school students across New York State look forward to attending their prom and graduation ceremony.

For parents, siblings, educators and the community, these memorable moments become tarnished when a child dies in a car crash.

Unfortunately, these tragedies happen all too often.

According to the CDC, car crashes are one of the leading causes of death for teens across the country with crashes being higher among drivers between 16 and 19 years-old. Teens in this age group are three times more likely to be involved in a fatal car crash than drivers 20 and older.

In 2014, the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC) launched the "No Empty Chair" educational campaign. The "No Empty Chair" campaign is a week long education and enforcement initiative and

was created to reduce these tragedies and help keep young drivers safe. This year, the No Empty Chair Campaign runs from April 25-29 and each day will focus on a different aspect of driver safety.

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office is stepping up their enforcement near area high schools, gearing extra attention for speeding in school zones, cell phone use, underage drinking and impaired driving along with promoting school bus safety.

2022 Campaign Schedule Dates:

Monday, April 25, 2022 – Speeding in School Zones

Tuesday, April 26, 2022 – Seat Belt and Child Restraints

Wednesday, April 27, 2022 – Cell Phone Use and Texting

Thursday, April 28, 2022 – Operation Safe Stop

Friday, April 29, 2022 - Underage Drinking and Impaired Driving

Let's all work together to ensure there are no empty chairs on graduation day!! By buckling up, slowing down and putting your cell phones away while driving, we can minimize the occurrence of these tragic crashes.

### ***Protective Gear***

Each year we apply for a grant to purchase protective gear and bullet proof vests for our officers.

We have ordered regular duty vest for Deputies and Tactical vest for Investigators.



## **PROGRAMS**

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office participates in many programs designed to keep our citizens safe, which include:

### **“RU OK”**

“RU OK” is an automated process which telephones participants who live alone. It is offered free of charge to the citizens of Delaware County

Each morning (at a pre-arranged time) the Sheriff's Office checks in on the participants by placing an automated call.

If the phone call is not answered, another attempt is made to contact the participant by telephone.

If unsuccessful, an Officer is dispatched to the location.

Those interested in participating in this program may fill out the RU Okay Application Form and submit it to the Sheriff's Office. The form is available on our website or one may be obtained by calling the Sheriff's Office Communications Division at 832-5555 and asking for same.



### **Project Lifesaver**

A proactive response which helps to locate wandering patients before they fall victim to the elements, accidents, or predators is administered by Corporal Dan McGowan.

According to their web site, “Project Lifesaver has over 1,200 participating agencies across the U.S., Canada, and Australia, and has performed over 2,600 searches in the last 13 years with no serious injuries or fatalities ever reported.”



### **The Victim Information and Notification Service**

“VINE”) was created in 1994 following the murder of Mary Byron in Louisville, KY. She and her parents had asked to be notified when Mary's ex-boyfriend was released from jail. They were never told that he was released, and this man murdered Mary on her 21st birthday. Today, the New York Sheriffs' Victim Hotline delivers an average of 90,198 phone calls and 7,024 e-mail notifications to registered victims each year in the State of New York.

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office supports VINE. It is administered by the Correctional Division of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office.

## YELLOW DOT PROGRAM

This program is offered free of charge.  
Personal Medical Info Sheet & Decal

Every Decal in every automobile should be similarly placed on the lower left side of the left rear side window.

In your home, the decal should be placed near front entrance.

Every packet of medical information should be placed either in the glove compartment of an automobile or in the freezer compartment of your refrigerator.

Please contact us to request the authentic bright yellow decals and yellow information form/folders. These forms will also be available at the Fair and are handed out routinely by the Office of the Aging and various other civic groups.

You may want to order multiple kits; for use in your home(s) and automobile(s.)

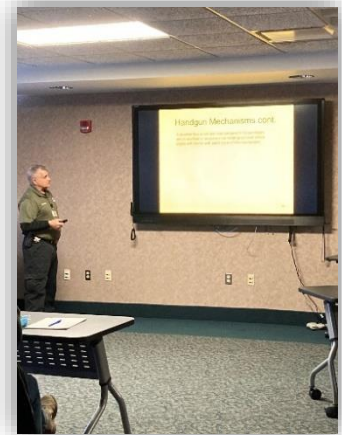
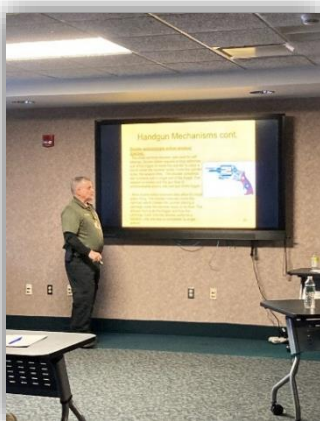


## BICYCLE HELMETS:

The pricey helmets may provide an easier fit, more vents and stylish graphics. But the inexpensive models “get the job done.” The Sheriff’s Office routinely solicits funding to support giving away bicycle helmets.

## Pistol Safety Course

Instructor Perazone teaches several classes on handgun safety for new pistol permit applicants. All applicants must complete a 5-hour safety course prior to obtaining their pistol permits.





## TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

### 2022 Animal Crimes Conference



On 3/24/2022, Delaware County Deputy Sheriff's Logan Flavell and Collin Roche attended the 2022 Animal Crimes Conference hosted at the New York State Police Training Academy in Albany. The Conference was a partnership between the NYS Animal Protection Federation, NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services Office of Public Safety, the New York State Police, and the Federation's Division of Animal Cruelty Law Enforcement with the intended goal being to educate law enforcement members in recognizing the signs and situations concerning animal abuse.

### CONGRATULATIONS DARE INSTRUCTOR CORPORAL JEFFREY CLARK

A sincere congratulations to Delaware County Sheriff's Office Corporal Jeffrey Clark on his recent accomplishment of completing DARE Instructor School, thus certifying him as a DARE Instructor.

DARE Instructor School encompasses over 80 hours of intense, extensive and challenging training in many differing areas. By virtue of his certification, Corporal Clark is now certified to teach DARE (DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION/Keepin' it REAL) to Delaware County students in K-4, Elementary School, Middle School, High School Core Programs as well as supplementary lessons.





## **NYS ESLETS (Empire State Law Enforcement Traffic Safety) Conference**



On April 6th-7th, 2022 Delaware County Deputy Sheriff's Samantha Acuna and Timothy Tryon attended the NYS ESLETS (Empire State Law Enforcement Traffic Safety) Conference in Syracuse, NY. The training was designed for law enforcement professionals from across the state to share experiences, ideas and concepts, as well as to discuss new developments on how to better improve traffic safety within the attendee's jurisdictions.

## **2022 NYS Sheriffs' Association "School on Civil Procedures" - Phase 1**

On April 7th, 2022 Delaware County Sheriff's Office Civil Division Cpl. Daniel McGowan attended the 2022 NYS Sheriffs' Association "School on Civil Procedures" - Phase 1 as an Instructor instructing Eviction Procedures and Civil Arrests to approx. 70 civilian and sworn personnel from various law enforcement agencies across NYS.



## **CPL. JEFFREY CLARK AND K-9 EDGE GRADUATION**



On Friday July 1st, 2022, Delaware County Sheriff Craig S. DuMond announced the graduation of Corporal Jeffrey Clark and his new K-9 partner K-9 Edge from the Orange County Sheriff's Office K-9 Academy. After more than three months of training, the class graduated ten handlers and their new K-9 partners as certified in patrol techniques.

K-9 Edge, a German Shepherd/Belgian Malinois mix, was born in Hungary on August 30, 2020.

Corporal Clark and Deputy K-9 Edge are now certified for patrol, with specific training in obedience, tracking individuals, locating discarded or secreted items, criminal apprehension and handler protection.

Corporal Clark and K9 Edge will return to the Academy this fall and further their training and certification in explosives detection.

Speaking on the graduation, Sheriff DuMond remarked "I'm very proud of Cpl Clark and K9 Edge in achieving this milestone for the Delaware County Sheriff's Office. Once fully trained in explosives detection, the Sheriff's Office will be able to provide full-service K9 services to the people of Delaware County, to include our law enforcement partners on the State and local level.

This valuable resource will enrich these agencies and provide safety and security to the people we are charged with serving and protecting every day”.



### Graduation of Deputy Elderkin



October 28, 2022, Sheriff Craig DuMond announced the NYS MPTC/DCJS certification of Delaware County Deputy Sheriff Alec Elderkin, as he graduated from the Broome County Law Enforcement Academy this afternoon. Speaking on the graduation, Sheriff DuMond remarked “I am incredibly proud and honored to have Deputy Elderkin join the ranks at our office. I am confident that he will fulfill the duties of a Deputy Sheriff with the upmost pride, integrity and honor that the people of Delaware County deserve.” Congratulations and welcome Deputy Elderkin!!







## Graduation of Deputy Cairns

On December 21, 2022 Sheriff Craig DuMond, Undersheriff Kim Smith and Major John Demeo attended the Graduation Ceremony of the 72nd Session of the Ulster County Law Enforcement Training Group (UCLETG) to celebrate the Municipal Police Training Council (MPTC) certification of the newest Delaware County Deputy Sheriff, Brenden Cairns.

The UCLETG Academy began their Phase 1 training on August 1st, 2022 and culminated their Phase 2 training with a beautiful certification/graduation ceremony at The Chateau event venue on December 21st. Thirty-one new

police officers, their families and varying members of their law enforcement agencies attended the ceremony.

Deputy Cairns served as a Squad Leader during the entirety of the 72nd Session and in addition, he was awarded an academic award for his outstanding academic achievements during the entirety of the Phase 1/Phase 2 training.

Speaking on the graduation, Sheriff DuMond states "Deputy Cairns personifies the high standards set by the Delaware County Sheriff's Office where Honor, Pride and Integrity are not just a motto, but the moral code by which we lead."

We commend Deputy Cairns for his outstanding effort and commitment to excellence, and we are incredibly proud to announce his addition to our Road Patrol Division, where he has already begun his field training.



# COMMUNITY EVENTS

## NYS Snowmobile Safety Education Course



On January 30, 2022 The Hamden Hill Ridge Riders Snowmobile Club with the assistance of The Delaware County Sheriff's Office Cpl. Eric Alexander conducted a NYS Park and Recreation certified Snowmobile Safety Course.

This safety course was given for “children, kids and young adults” between the ages of 10-17 and upon successful completion, it certifies/permits the participants to solely operate a snowmobile while in the presence of a person over the age of 18.

A sincere thank you and job well done to The Hamden Hill Ridge Riders Snowmobile Club members John and Marilyn Armstrong, and Mark and Cherie Pierce as well as Cpl. Alexander for volunteering their time to provide this opportunity and valuable instruction to the participants.

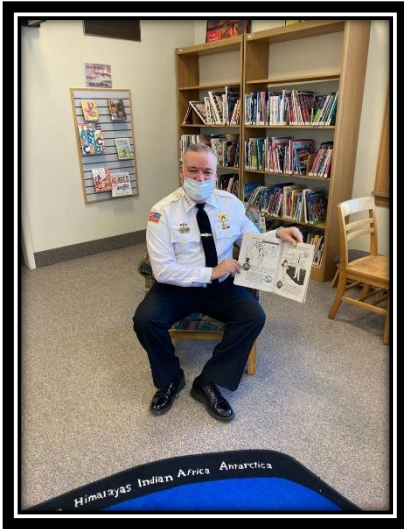






### Surprise Visit for “Junior Deputy”

On February 4th, 2022 Delaware County Sheriffs Deputies made a surprise visit to a local resident, Jace Carmody. It had previously been related to the Deputies that Jace loves seeing and interacting with Police Officers and that someday, he would like to become one. Therefore, Deputy Logan Flavell, Deputy Collin Roche and Civil Deputy Robert Mantzouratos orchestrated a surprise visit to Jace’s residence to give “Junior Deputy” Carmody his Deputy hat, his “badge” and a few other miscellaneous items. Needless to say, a good time was had by all!!



### Stranger Danger and Your Friend the Sheriff

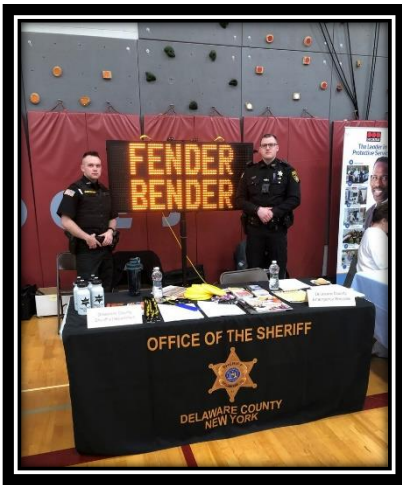
Feeling honored to take part in reading to the preschoolers at the Sidney Public Library on February 15th. "Stranger Danger and Your Friend the Sheriff" were well received and an enjoyable time was had by all!

### Community Policing

Delaware County Sheriff's Office Cpl. Daniel McGowan was out and about conducting some community policing in the Village of Walton and in doing so, stopped to interact with this little cutie- Carrie Ryan and her mom Arlene Utter. Arlene advised that Carrie loves police officers!!







**DCMO BOCES 4th Annual Career and Technical Education Job Fair**

March 24, 2022 from 12pm - 2:30pm, Delaware County Deputy Sheriff Timothy Tryon and Correction Officer Lynndon Huyck are at the DCMO BOCES 4th Annual Career and Technical Education Job Fair in Norwich, NY meeting and speaking with graduating seniors and adult learners who have an interest in Law Enforcement careers.

If you have any interest or any questions relating to pursuing a career with The Delaware County Sheriff's Office, please stop by today and say hello. They will do their best to answer your questions.



**Denim Day**

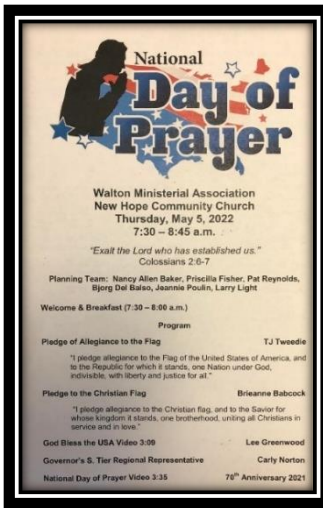
Our own Administrative and Civil Division Staff supporting Denim Day 2022 at the Delaware County Sheriff's Office.



**BICYCLE SAFETY AT KIDDIE CORNER PRESCHOOL**

On Wednesday April 27, Deputy Sheriff Collin Roche attended Kiddie Corner Preschool in Stamford, NY to talk with the children about the importance of bike safety and wearing bike helmets. He spoke with kids from both morning and afternoon programs, handing out bicycle helmets and a bike safety coloring book to each. We thank Program Director Catherine Snyder for the invite and wish all the children lots of safe fun during their St. Jude Children's Research Hospital fundraiser Trike-a-Thon.





Prayer Time	
Repentance, Mercy and Grace	Larry Light, Pastor New Hope Community Church
The Lord's Prayer	Jayne Francisco, Program Director Rehabilitation Support Services
Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done. On earth as it is in heaven. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.	
Church	Nata Watkins, Pastor, First Baptist Walton Ministerial Association, President
Education	Debe Cole, Retired Teacher Alliance Church
Family	Bob Wilkie, Pastor Plymouth Church
Government	Ed Snow, Mayor Village of Walton
Media/Arts	Ron Galley, Weekend Overnight ABC
Military	Joe Cetta, Supervisor Town of Walton
Law Enforcement	Craig DuMond, Sheriff Delaware County
Health Care Workers	Rolland Rojo, CEO UHS DCH
First Responders	L. William Beers, Commander Beerston Precinct
Business	Deb Ackertly, Owner TA's Restaurant
Benediction and Dismissal	Larry Light

## National Day of Prayer

On May 5, 2022, Sheriff DuMond was humbled and honored to have the privilege of being invited by the Walton Ministerial Association to offer a prayer for law enforcement on this National Day of Prayer.



## Charlotte Valley Prom

On May 14, 2022 Deputy Timothy Tryon attended the Charlotte Valley Central School prom held at the Cadillac Ranch Event Barn. He is all smiles as he poses with prom attendee's Travis and Cadence.

## SRO at Sidney School

On May 18, 2022 Delaware County Sheriff's Deputies Collin Roche (serving as the School Resource Officer) and Cody Tromblee play basketball with Sidney Central School students.





### Hancock Central School prom

On May 21, 2022 Deputy Lucas Elmore and Hancock PD Officer Picozzi attended the Hancock Central School prom and were photographed joining in on the “Cha Cha” slide. We love these shining examples of community policing!!



### Walton Fire Department Explorer's

On June 10th, 2022, Delaware County Sheriff's Office Cpl. Jeffrey Clark met with the Walton Fire Department Explorer's. Cpl. Clark showed the attentive group some of his assigned equipment, explaining how it is used and even talked to them about pursuing law enforcement as a possible career choice.







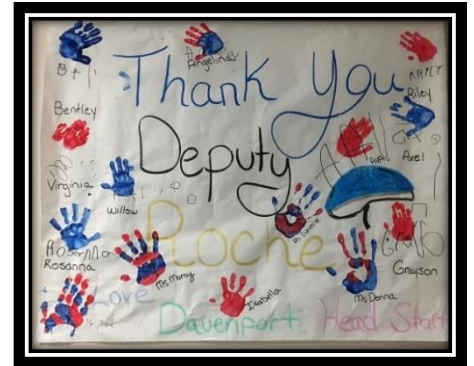
**Sidney Central School Ice Cream Social**

On June 2, 2022, Deputy Sheriff Tyler McAteer attended the Sidney Central School Ice Cream Social where he greeted students, staff and their families. In addition, he spoke with parents and children who stopped by to ask questions, handed out coloring books, puzzles and other public information materials concerning bullying and online safety.

**Davenport Head Start**

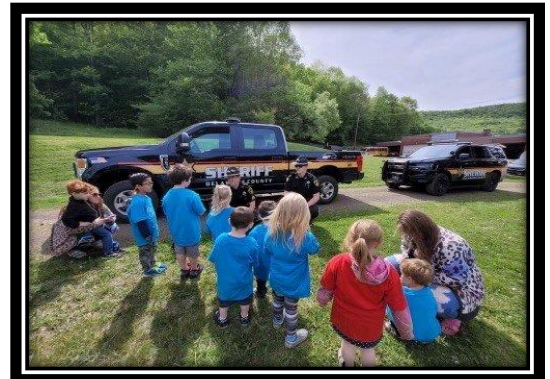
On June 8th, 2022 Deputy Collin Roche attended the Davenport Head Start program where he spoke with the children about Bicycle Safety and the importance of wearing bike helmets.

Each child was presented with a bike safety coloring book and a bike helmet to take home. In return, the children (with assistance from the teaching staff) made this fantastic poster thanking Deputy Roche.



**Delhi Head Start**

Delaware County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol Sgt. Eric Alexander and Deputy Sheriff Timothy Tryon met the children and staff of the Delhi Headstart Program at Sheldon Park in the Village of Delhi. Sgt. Alexander and Deputy Tryon spoke with the children about calling 911 and emphasized that they should never be afraid of calling the police when they are in need of help. Additionally, the children were able to "tour" the patrol vehicle and activate the overhead lights. The visit culminated with each child being given a backpack containing miscellaneous Sheriff's Office promotional items.

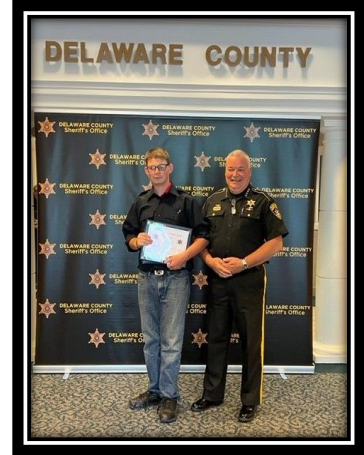
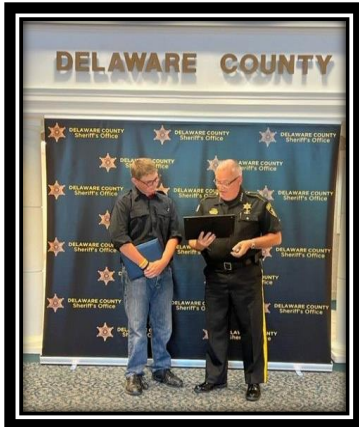






### Junior Deputy Graduates!

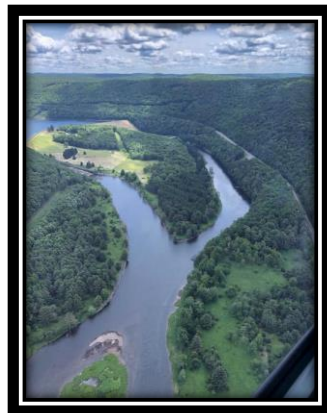
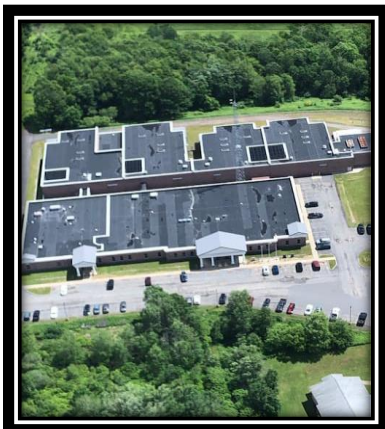
On Wednesday June 8<sup>th</sup>, Sheriff Craig DuMond held a brief ceremony and presented Junior Deputy Sheriff Jonathan Jackson with his High School Diploma. The Sheriff also awarded Jonathan with a Certificate for his academic achievements, as well as for his commitment to public safety as a junior member of the Sheriff's Office. Way to go Jonathan, we are so very proud of you!!!



### Helicopter Patrol

Friday June 10<sup>th</sup> Sheriff Craig DuMond had an amazing opportunity to join Chief Frank Milazzo of the New York City Department of Environmental Protection Police on their newest helicopter for a patrol of Delaware County. As you can see it was a perfect day for the flight with stunning views of our gorgeous County. NYC DEP Police has two helicopter units assigned to their aviation unit that provide an awesome resource, not only to their mission, but to partner law enforcement agencies as well. Sheriff DuMond and all of the members of the

Delaware County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the NYC DEP Police for their commitment and partnership in keeping Delaware County a safe place to live!







### Meredith Dairy Fest

On June 12, 2022, we had a great time at the Meredith Dairy Fest yesterday, meeting and greeting everyone who stopped by our exhibit.



### Stamford Fire Department 150 year Anniversary Celebration and "Touch a Truck" event

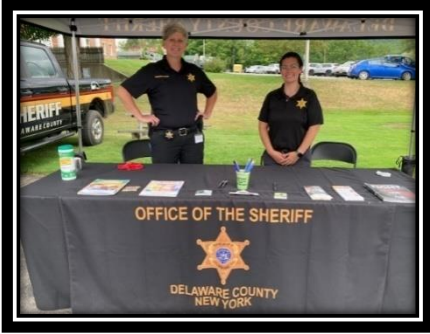
On Saturday July 30th, 2022 Deputy Victor Althelm, Cpl. Jeffrey Clark along with partner K-9 Edge attended the Stamford Fire Department 150 year Anniversary Celebration and "Touch a Truck" event. Everyone appeared to have a great time and the celebration ended with a fantastic fireworks show.





### Delhi Telephone Company 125 Anniversary

August 10, 2022, a special thank you to the Delhi Telephone Company for inviting us to attend their annual Open House and 125 Anniversary celebration today. We had a great time, the weather was perfect and it was really enjoyable visiting with people and answering their questions.



### Autism Awareness Walk/5K run

On Saturday August 13th, Delaware County Sheriff's Office members Kim Smith and Jessica Miller traveled to Deposit, NY to conduct a Safe Child ID event at the 6th Annual Deposit Autism Awareness Walk/5K run. It was a gorgeous morning and we enjoyed meeting the event participants and their families.



### Senior Fun Day

August 24, 2022, we attended the 7th Annual Delaware County Senior Fun Day which was hosted by the Delaware County Senior Council and Delaware County Office for the Aging. Needless to say, we had a great time visiting with our senior residents.





### Locating Missing Person

On September 1st, 2022 The Delaware County Sheriffs Office K9 Unit was dispatched to assist NYSP, NYS DEC Police and NYS Forest Rangers in searching for a missing person. Terry Haynes had left his home the previous morning of August 31st to go Ginseng hunting in the Town of Middletown/New Kingston area. Attempts by family and friends to locate HAYNES were unsuccessful before contacting authorities. By working together in shifts, K9 Teams of Deputy Karcher and partner K9 Eli & Cpl Clark and partner K9 Edge were able to track through heavily wooded terrain and successfully locate the missing man.

### Sheriff's Office Explorer Program

September 13, 2022, Sheriff Craig S. DuMond announced that after a lengthy hiatus, the Delaware County Sheriff's Office is re-establishing its Law Enforcement Explorer's Program and is now accepting applications. The youth based program is designed for high school students aged 14-18 who are interested in learning more about law enforcement. Program participants get the exciting opportunity to work with and learn from professionals of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office. The program covers a variety of topics including crime scene techniques, traffic stops, court procedures, and investigations. Explorers will have opportunities to hear from guest speakers and engage in hands-on activities as well as ride-alongs with Deputies. Speaking on this endeavor, Sheriff DuMond advises that the Sheriff's Office Explorer Program was formerly run under the direction of past Sheriff Thomas Mills and former longtime Sergeant Thomas Avery. Unfortunately, following the untimely passing of Sergeant Avery in 2009, the Explorer Program fell by the way side. Today, I am extremely proud to announce that we have arrived at the next step in the process of re-establishing the program. We encourage interested youths who are curious about law enforcement and police operations, to file an application to join the Delaware County Sheriff's Office Explorer Program.



Anyone interested in finding out more information or for an application for the Delaware County Sheriff's Office Explorer Program can contact Deputy Collin Roche at [collin.roche@co.delaware.ny.us](mailto:collin.roche@co.delaware.ny.us)



### Pocket Prayer Squares

On 9/22/2022 we were blessed with a surprise visit from Darla Hendrickson who brought us two bags full of her homemade Pocket Prayer Squares to distribute to the members of our Office. Darla advised that she hand stitches the small squares, which include a cross inside of them and come with the following saying: This "Pocket Prayer Square" was made especially for you to slip in your pocket. Throughout the day when your fingers touch the cross inside the square, be mindful of God's love and grace for you. Keep it as a tangible symbol of God's peace. Darla stated they are designed for people to use, especially on a bad day or any other time a person may need something to spiritually look up to. She feels this is especially important for Law Enforcement in these trying times.



## Open House



In honor of New York State Sheriff's Week 2022, the Delaware County Sheriff's Office hosted a community open house on September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022. The event was organized by Undersheriff Kim Smith as designed to allow the community to engage with various components of the Office and get an inside look at daily operations.

"We're very proud of what we do here. We have a good team, and we wanted Delaware County residents to come and see what we do every day," said Undersheriff Kim Smith.

September 18-24 is designated as New York State Sheriffs' Week and yesterday we celebrated by inviting the public into our facilities for an informative, interactive, and welcoming open house. Our members thoroughly enjoyed giving demonstrations of their divisions; including K-9, Special Response Team, and Road Patrol, as well as answering questions and discussing their equipment and careers with residents. We also had information about our Project Lifesaver and Child Safety programs, child IDs, as well as tours of the correctional facility. McGruff the crime dog even made an appearance! It was a pleasure sharing our passion for law enforcement and public service with all who came out for the event – thank you!

"As Sheriff, it is very important to me to make sure I'm available for the public to speak with if they would like to voice their concerns, offer suggestions, or discuss anything. The open house gives us an opportunity to showcase the services that we provide and give the public an opportunity to see them firsthand," remarked Sheriff Craig DuMond.





### Walk to End Alzheimer's Event

On Sunday, September 25, 2022 Cpl. Daniel McGowan participated in the Walk to End Alzheimer's Event which took place at Neahwa Park in the City of Oneonta.

Each walk features a Promise Garden Ceremony, which signifies the participants solidarity in the fight against the disease. Different color flowers represent participants' connection to Alzheimer's, or their reason to end the disease.

Blue: Represents someone with Alzheimer's or dementia.

Purple: An individual who has lost a loved one to the disease.

Yellow: A person who is currently supporting or caring for someone living with Alzheimer's.

Orange: A participant who supports the cause and the Association's vision of a world without Alzheimer's.

A sincere thank you to Ann Thayer of the Otsego County Alzheimer's Association for the invitation to participate.



### Franklin Central School Visit

October 4, 2022, Deputy Sheriff Cody Tromblee visited with the kindergarten and first grade classes at Franklin Central School during their recess period. The children asked Deputy Tromblee various questions regarding the daily activities of and the differing "tools of the trade" used by a Deputy Sheriff.

### Sheriff's Showdown 2

The Sheriff's Showdown 2 was held at Watkins Glen International October 13<sup>th</sup>. We congratulate Sheriff William Schrom of Chemung County for taking 1st place in the competition. Sheriff Kevin Rumsey of Schyler County took 2nd and Sheriff Craig DuMond of Delaware County snagged 3rd!

All 27 Sheriffs who participated took a one hour safety and training course at the raceway before driving their cars five laps around the track accompanied by a professional coach. After driving his son's red Mustang GT, Sheriff Dumond remarked that he now had a real appreciation for what drivers have to do. He said that he sees the sport differently now! What a great experience for all 27 Sheriff drivers.





### Coffee with the Sheriff"

We wholeheartedly thank the following businesses for their support of our agency and for permitting us to host our "Coffee with the Sheriff" events at their establishments. Your hospitality was 1st Class, and your kindness is so very appreciated.

- TP'S Cafe in Stamford
- TA'S PLACE in Walton
- TRACKSIDE DINING in Sidney
- McDONALD'S in Hancock

In addition, we thank the residents of our beautiful county and all others who took advantage of these opportunities to stop in and engage us on a variety of topics. We hope to meet more of our residents at our future events.



### Special Visitors Day

On October 28, 2022, SK Presents had special visitors today. Sheriff Deputy Kyle Karcher and his K-9 partner Eli! They talked about Halloween safety and the students had LOTS of questions about Eli and what he does!







**Halloween**

We think we're incredibly fortunate to have such kind and community minded Deputies!!! Honestly, we can't tell who was having more fun ... the kids or the Deputies ❤️



**Walton Cub Scouts-Pack 45**

On Sunday, 11/6/2022 Delaware County Sheriff's Office Corrections Sgt. Mario Blincoe and V/Walton Police Chief Joseph D'Addezio visited with the Walton Cub Scouts-Pack 45.

Both were interviewed by the Cub Scouts about their respective careers in Law Enforcement and in doing so, assisted the boys in earning their newest badge called Council Fire (Duty to Country).

Great job Pack 45 and kudos to Sgt. Blincoe and V/Walton Police Chief Joseph D'Addezio!!

Pictured are: Sgt. Mario Blincoe and his cub scout grandsons Emmett and Everett, Chief Joseph D'Addezio, and Cub Scouts Zach and Keegan.



**Veteran's Day**

November 10, 2022, Sheriff DuMond was honored and humbled to deliver the Veteran's Day address at the South Kortright Central School today. It was a wonderful event and inspiring to see a school full of students who truly understand the importance of Veteran's Day. The staff and students did a remarkable job and the veterans in attendance, including the Sheriff, felt truly honored and blessed.



### K-9's received a special gift



On Tuesday, our agency K-9's received a special gift from Midge DeVenero- Reichardt of Point Pleasant, NJ. Midge handmade two beautiful custom fleece blankets for both K-9 Eli and K-9 Edge. In addition, each blanket came with a small bag of dog treats which both dogs were immediately drawn too.

We send our most sincere thanks and appreciation to Midge for her kindness. It's people like her that make the world a nicer place



On Thursday, November 17th, 2022, Deputy Kyle Karcher and K-9 Eli, on behalf of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office K-9 Division, visited with Delana and Richelle Wood of Walton, NY to accept their \$200 donation. As in years past, the donation is to be applied toward the various expenses associated with maintaining a K-9 Division. In addition to the money donation, the girls donated dog toys and snacks for both K-9 Eli and Edge.

Commenting on the donation Undersheriff Smith advises, "This is the 4th year in a row that Delana and Richelle have held their Labor Day lemonade stand. We proudly recognize their outstanding efforts and are truly in awe of their selflessness and desire to help others. This year in addition to their donation to our agency, they thoughtfully donated half of their earnings to a local family who had suffered a recent loss. Needless to say, their kindness and compassion is second to none and we are incredibly appreciative of their support to us and to their community." Thank you, very much and great work ladies!!





## 2022 TOYS FOR TOTS TOY DRIVE

Today, Sheriff Craig DuMond proudly announced the participation of the Delaware County Correctional and Road Patrol Divisions in the 2022 TOYS FOR TOTS Toy Drive. Undersheriff Kim Smith has been a strong voice in support of Toys for Tots, bringing the annual program to the Delaware County Public Safety Building in 2020 in partnership with the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce.

Incredibly, a grand total of \$2,640 was raised through the generous contributions of both Divisions. Delaware County Sheriff's Office officers and staff go above and beyond in all

tasks that they are assigned – and even those tasks that aren't part of their job descriptions.

The Corrections Officers Union led by President Paul Moore impressively donated \$1,000 (in addition, \$100 was privately donated) and also, through the Corrections Officers participation in "Double Down December", spearheaded by Sgt. Donald Simonds, the Officers donated another \$1,000 toward the purchase of Toys.

The Road Patrol Division led by Union President Kyle Karcher participated in "No Shave November" and "Double Down December" raising a total of \$1,080, of which, \$540 was donated toward the purchase of toys and the remaining \$540 is being donated to an upcoming "Random Acts of Kindness" Holiday Initiative.

For those unfamiliar with "No Shave November" and "Double Down December", these are agency sponsored campaigns which allow the participating male Corrections Officers/Deputy Sheriffs to forgo shaving their facial hair for a period of one month during each campaign. The participating female Corrections Officers/Deputy Sheriffs were able to wear colored nail polish for the same time period. The participating members pay dues toward their participation in the campaigns and the monies collected are donated to local charitable organizations.

PHOTO : L to R

Sheriff Craig DuMond, Sgt. Heath Goff, Sgt. Donald Simonds, CO Paul Moore, CO Amanda Hoehl, Sr. Inv. Christopher Erwin, Major John Demeo, Cpl. Matthew Cammer, Deputy Sheriff Collin Roche, Lt. Alan Weaver, Inv. David Barnes, Assistant to the Sheriff Jessica Miller, Sgt. Tyler McAteer and Undersheriff Kim Smith





### **Delhi Homeschool Group visited the Delaware County Sheriff's Office**

On Wednesday, December 7th, 2022 the Delhi Homeschool Group visited the Delaware County Sheriff's Office. The visit was organized by Assistant to the Sheriff Jessica Miller who provided the kids with a small baggie of Sheriff's Office promotional items. Deputy Kyle Karcher and K-9 Eli performed a demonstration and the children were provided a tour of the Administrative, Civil and Road Patrol Divisions. In addition, the children learned about the functions of the Jail and the 911 center. Major John Demeo met with the group and spoke with them about the history of DCSO and the different responsibilities each division oversees.

On December 12th, several of the homeschool children lead by Alexis returned delivering the cutest homemade thank you cards and a plate of delicious brownies!!

We totally enjoy having guests visit us as we are incredibly proud of our historic office, our members, and the multitude of the functions they perform.

Thank you Delhi Homeschool Group!!



## SUPER STAR AWARDS



April 20th, 2022

Sheriff Craig S. DuMond awarded Deputy Sheriff Samantha Acuna with the Sheriff's Superstar Award for meritorious service while in the performance of duty.

On April 8, 2022, Deputy Acuna was dispatched by Delaware County 911 to a "routine" check the welfare call regarding a call that was made to 911 with an "open line". Upon arriving at the residence, Deputy Acuna conducted an initial

scene assessment and determined that a possible victim was inside of the residence and in need of assistance. Upon gaining entrance to the residence, Deputy Acuna found a male victim suffering from an apparent stroke, rendered first aid and immediately called for medical assistance. Deputy Acuna's expeditious and proactive actions likely saved the victim's life, or at the very least, prevented him from suffering further medical complications. Deputy Acuna's professionalism and dedicated service brings great credit upon herself, the law enforcement profession and the Honorable Office of Sheriff.

Speaking on the award, Sheriff Craig S. DuMond remarked, "I am honored to present this award to Deputy Acuna today and recognize her for her valiant efforts. This incident clearly illustrates that there is no such thing as a routine 911 call and that each day police officers selflessly and heroically make contributions to make our communities brighter and safer for all of us. We should all be thankful and grateful for their service".



## DETAILS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office provides personnel to fill requests for approved details and special events taking place within the county. Our honor guard and parade details consist of Deputy's and Officers from our Corrections and Road Patrol Division. Many of the events have been covered by our full time officers.

*O'Connor's St. Patrick's Day Parade*

*Flag Day Parade*

*Hancock Firemen's Field Days Parade*

*Bovina Bicentennial*

*1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Stephen H. Doane Dedication Ceremony*

*Heroes Parade at the Delaware County Fair*



We sincerely thank the organizers of the Stamford Flag Day Parade for inviting us to participate in this wonderful event!! We had a fantastic time.





**Dedication ceremony for 1<sup>st</sup>  
LT. Stephen H. Doane  
July 22, 2022**



Last evening a very special event was held in Walton. The bridge over the West Branch, in the Village, was dedicated to Walton native, 1st Lt. Stephen H. Doane. Lt. Doane, a

posthumous Congressional Medal of Honor recipient, performed an act of extreme bravery and heroism during the Vietnam War, while only 21 years old. In order to save fellow soldiers, pinned down by enemy fire, 1st Lt. Doane sacrificed his own life by pulling the pin on a grenade while jumping into the firing enemy bunker.

Joe Cetta, Walton Supervisor and the Town Board put the wheels in motion, for this dedication, by gaining the support of Senator Mike Martucci to sponsor a bill authorizing it. The bill passed the legislature unanimously in both houses last June.

The ceremony was very well attended and included the Sheriff's Color Guard, Deputies Bryce Charles, James Vlahakis, Nicholas Empara and Tyler Rubera. Ron Galley led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Bartlett Family performed). 1st Lt. Doane's family members delivered very moving speeches and unveiled a plaque that will be permanently displayed Walton Veteran Memorial Park.

Sheriff Dumond, who attended the ceremony said, "It was an honor to attend the dedication ceremony for 1st Lt. Stephen Doane.

Recognizing the only Medal of Honor recipient in the history of Delaware County is an important action and I thank everyone involved who made this happen."

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Tina Molé said, "1st Lt. Doane gave the ultimate sacrifice to save others. I am in awe of that and feel proud of the recognition by the Town of Walton."

Doane was also awarded a Silver Star for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States and a Bronze Star for heroic service in a combat zone. He is buried at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia and honored in Walton, New York.





# DELAWARE COUNTY FAIR







Caleb Backus of Unadilla blessed the Sheriff with an opportunity to ride his horse, Santana, for the heroes parade at the 135th Delaware County Fair. Our 4-H kids are the best!!!



Cpl. Jeffrey Clark and K-9 Edge were enthusiastically out and about The Delaware County fairgrounds last week. We thank everyone who stopped them to say hello and express their support.

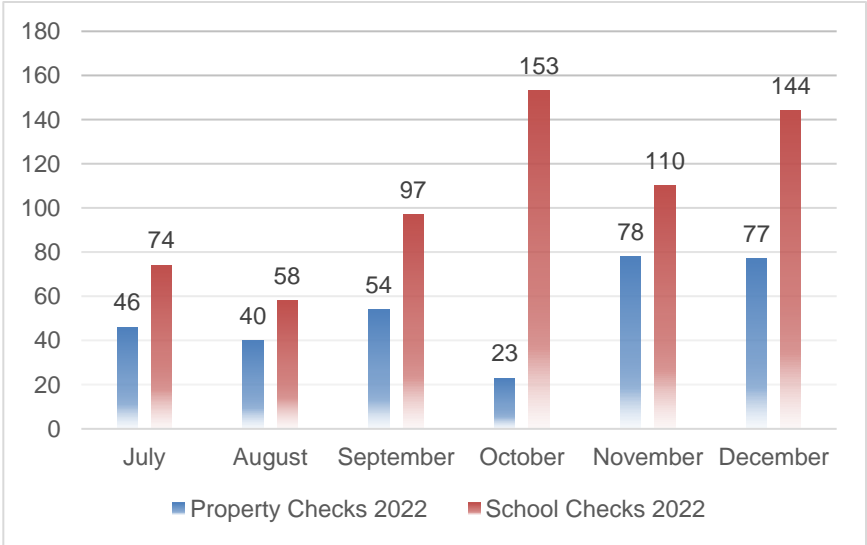
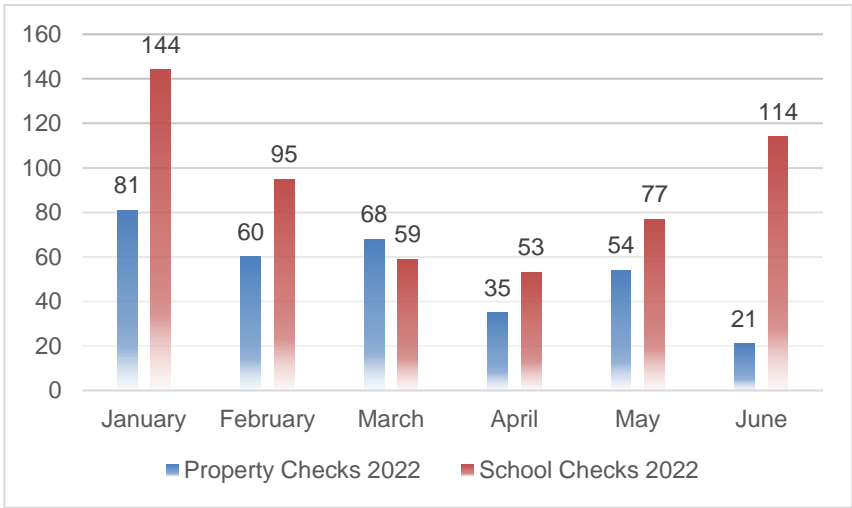


# PROPERTY CHECKS

The pie charts listed include the school checks our deputies due throughout the year. It demonstrates how many property checks were completed within a particular month. Delaware County Sheriff's Office provides property checks for all schools located in Delaware County, as well as BOCES, the White Birch Airport, County Owned properties, East Sidney Dam, Oquaga State Park, and Private Sectors. The Sheriff's Office has a program that individuals can use to register their homes with the Sheriff's Office when unoccupied. For more details regarding the program, please contact Rebecca Townsend at 607-832-5593 or [rebecca.townsend@co.delaware.ny.us](mailto:rebecca.townsend@co.delaware.ny.us).



Civil Officer Robert Mantzouratos and Deputy Collin Roche stopped for a moment outside of Downsville Central School Tuesday night.





## SHERIFF'S CAMP



The Sheriff's Summer Camp on Keuka Lake in Yates County can be life-changing

experience for some children. Each County is assigned a certain week that enables kids from their county to camp. This is a weeklong camp and allows children to interact with Police and with other children. At the end of their stay, all children are awarded a diploma for their participation in a program called the "Good Citizenship and Law Enforcement Studies Program." The camp has made a significant difference in many children's lives. Each year, many of the same kids desire to attend again.



The camp information is distributed to the Sheriff's Offices in the spring each year. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Miller at [Jessica.miller@co.delaware.ny.us](mailto:Jessica.miller@co.delaware.ny.us) or 607-832-5594.

On Sunday June 26th, 2022 , 15 Delaware County children ranging in age from 9-12 years old boarded the bus enroute to an exciting 1st week at the **New York State Sheriffs' Institute Summer Camp** located near Penn Yan (Yates County), NY.



The children, their parents and Delaware County Sheriff's Office representatives consisting of Deputy Ladd Dawson (Assistant Director of Maintenance and Operations at Sheriff's Camp) and Jessica Miller, Assistant to the Sheriff and Delaware County Sheriff's Office -Camp Program Director met in Bainbridge where children from Otsego and Chenango Counties also boarded the bus to camp.

## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**



(pictured in photo: Yates County Sheriff Ronald Spike (Chairman of the NY State Sheriffs Association Institute) swearing in Sheriff Craig DuMond)

### **Delaware County Sheriff was Elected 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President of the New York State Sheriff's Association.**

On January 18, 2022, Delaware County Sheriff Craig S. DuMond was elected 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President of the New York State Sheriff's Association at the Association's winter conference in Albany. As a Vice President, DuMond will assist the Association's newly elected President, Livingston County Sheriff Thomas Dougherty, in leading and serving the 57 NY State County Sheriffs that make up the Association. In addition to his new duties as 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President, Sheriff DuMond also serves on the Executive, Legislative, Jail Operations, and Standards and Goals Committees. Prior to being elected 3<sup>rd</sup>

Vice President, DuMond served as Secretary and previously as Treasurer and Sergeant at Arms.

### **Delaware County's Undersheriff is being honored as a "Woman of Distinction."**

According to a media release from state Sen. Peter Oberacker, R-Schenevus, Oberacker marked Women's Equality Day by announcing Kim Smith as the 2022 New York State Senate "Woman of Distinction" from the 51st Senate District.

"We are fortunate to have so many trailblazing women in the 51st Senate District who inspire us all on a daily basis," Oberacker said in the release. "Kim Smith is a highly decorated law enforcement officer and a true community leader. As the first female Undersheriff in Delaware County history, she continues to break new ground. Kim exemplifies the qualities that set all of our law enforcement officers apart and I am truly honored to recognize her as a New York State Senate Woman of Distinction."

The senate's "Women of Distinction" program was created in 1998 to honor New York women who exemplify personal excellence, or whose professional achievements or acts of courage, selflessness, integrity or perseverance serve as an example to all New Yorkers. According to the release, Smith started as a part-time corrections officer with the Delaware County Sheriff's Office in 1997. In February 2018, she was promoted to sergeant, the first female to hold the title in Delaware County. She was named undersheriff by Sheriff Craig DuMond in May of 2022.



## **DRUG ENFORCEMENT**

I commend those who have stepped forward and provided information to law enforcement to help rid their community of drug dealers. I strongly encourage others to use our submit a tip line on the Delaware County Sheriff's Office app, or to personally meet with a Deputy, or Investigator to report suspicious activity or to provide drug related information. No matter how insignificant you believe it may be, the information you provide may be the final piece we need to rid your community of one or more sources of these deadly drugs. You may just help save the life of a friend or family member.